

## A message from Kathy Smith

I hope everyone had a wonderful first week of school. Regular Board of Supervisors meetings and committee meetings return next month on Tuesday, September 10, 2019. The Economic Advisory Commission, Development Process Committee, Transportation Committee, and 50+ Committee will meet at the Government Center (12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA 22035) in Conference Room 11. The meetings will also be aired live on <a href="Channel 16">Channel 16</a>. You can view the Board's schedule of meetings for 2019 <a href="Online">online</a>.

The Fairfax County Public Library has a new quarterly publication called *Branch Out*. The first issue focuses on the many ways people can improve their brain health and how the library can help. You can pick up a copy of *Branch Out* magazine at the Sully District Governmental Center (4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly, VA 20151).

Sincerely,

### **Reminders!**

#### **Transform 66 Outside the Beltway Construction Update Meeting:**

Date: Wednesday, September 4, 2019

**Time:** 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

**Location:** Providence Community Center (3001 Vaden Drive, Fairfax, VA 22031)

Learn about upcoming work near the Vienna/Fairfax-GMU Metro Station, including the planned closure of the Vaden Drive bridge over I-66 from fall 2019 to summer 2020. There will be presentations at 7:00 and 8:00 p.m. For questions and more information, call 703-662-3892 or email <a href="mailto:Outreach@fam66.us">Outreach@fam66.us</a>.

#### **DMV 2 Go at the Sully Governmental Center:**

Date: Saturday, September 7, 2019

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Location: Sully Governmental Center (4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly, VA

20151)

Join Delegate Karrie Delaney and Sully District Supervisor Kathy Smith on September 7, 2019 for a <u>DMV 2 Go event!</u> This event will allow you to access all the services of the <u>Department of Motor Vehicles</u> (DMV) without the long lines. This is the perfect time to skip the long DMV lines and get your REAL ID before they are required in airports beginning October 1, 2020. For more information about how to apply for a REAL ID, <u>click here</u>.

#### Rain Gardens for Homeowners Workshop:

Date: Saturday, September 21, 2019

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Location: Sully Governmental Center; James McDonnell Room (4900 Stonecroft

Boulevard, Chantilly, VA 20151)

Learn about designing and planting a rain garden at your home! Rain gardens are

attractive landscape features that allow rain water and snow melt to infiltrate into the ground. Admission is free. Registration is required.

### **Important Dates for the November 5, 2019 Election:**

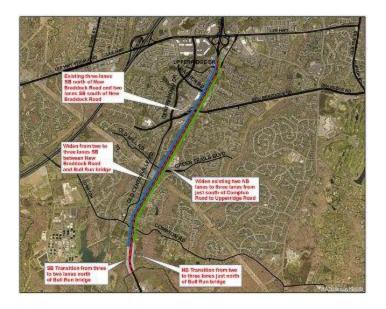
- On or About September 20, 2019: Absentee Voting begins at the Office of Elections (12000 Government Center Parkway, Conference Rooms 2/3, Fairfax, VA 22035)
- October 15, 2019: Voter Registration Deadline. In-person by 5:00 p.m.; online by 11:50 p.m.
- October 17, 2019: In-person Absentee Voting begins at satellite locations.
- October 29, 2019: Deadline to request an absentee ballot by mail by 5:00 p.m.
- November 2, 2019: Final day to vote absentee in-person by 5:00 p.m.

For more information about the upcoming election, click here.

**Native Plant Festival & Sale** 



Rt. 28 Widening Project Design Public Hearing



Date: Monday, September 23, 2019

**Time:** 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.

Location: Centreville Elementary School (14330 Green Trails Boulevard,

Centreville, VA)

The Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT) will hold a Design Public Hearing for the Route 28 Widening Project on Monday, September 23, 2019. A formal presentation will be held a 7:00 p.m. Comments are due by Monday, October 7, 2019.

#### The project includes:

- Widening the existing four lane roadway to six lanes;
- Adding additional lanes on side streets to improve intersections;
- Removing selected unsignalized median crossovers (breaks);
- Improving bicycle and pedestrian connections and crossings; including new 10' shared-use path on both sides of Route 28; and
- Installing stormwater management facilities as required to meet State and County criteria.

For more information about the project, <u>click here</u>.

FCDOT ensures nondiscrimination in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). If you need this information in an alternate format or would like to request reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact FCDOT at 703-877-5600, TTY 711. Requests for assistance must be received at least seven business days in advance of an event.

## **September Events at Chantilly Regional Library**



#### **Ready for School Storytime**

Date: Friday, September 6, 2019

**Time:** 2:00 to 2:30 p.m.

Early literacy storytime program for children ready to be on their own without

caregivers or siblings. Ages: 4 to 5.

#### **Girls Who Code**

Date: Wednesday, September 11, 2019

**Time**: 7:00 to 8:45 p.m.

Come learn about coding and change the world. You can bring your own laptop.

Space is limited. **Girls must register in person.** Grades: 6 to 12.

#### **Teen Volunteer Information Night**

Date: Thursday, September 26, 2019

**Time:** 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Do you need to earn community service hours for school and don't know how to

get started? Volunteer Fairfax can help! This presentation will show teens how to find agencies in need of volunteers and explore upcoming volunteer opportunities. Hear from staff members at Volunteer Fairfax and get connected with the Youth Service Learning Directory to make volunteering a reality with impact for this school year and beyond! Ages: 12 to 18.

#### **Tuscan Recipes with Chef Cal**

Date: Saturday, September 28, 2019

**Time:** 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.

Regional Italian recipes that are easy to fix and taste great. Ages: Adults and

teens.

The <u>Chantilly Regional Library</u> is located at 4000 Stringfellow Road, Chantilly, VA 20151. For more information about these events contact the library by <u>email</u>, or call 703-502-3883, TTY 711.

## September Events at Ellanor C. Lawrence Park



#### **Stream Life**

Date: Monday, September 23, 2019

**Time:** 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Explore Big Rocky Run with a naturalist, use dip nets and kick nets to catch and release creatures and learn about their role in the environment. Learn stream monitoring techniques and the impacts humans have on these fragile ecosystems. Ages: 4 and older. Cost: \$6 per person.

#### Celebrate Cabell's Mill

Date: Saturday, September 28, 2019

**Time:** 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Celebrate the 250 year anniversary of Cabell's Mill and the 75th anniversary of the purchase of the property by David & Ellanor Lawrence. Celebrate the many uses of Cabell's Mill and hear about the people who have been a part of its past. Learn about the Lawrence family's influence and try your hand at grinding grain. All ages. No cost.

#### **Fall Warblers**

Date: Sunday, September 29, 2019

**Time:** 7:00 to 8:30 a.m.

Wake up with the birds and discover these delightful fall visitors with an expert

guide. Ages: 8 and older. Cost: \$8 per person.

<u>Ellanor C. Lawrence Park</u> is located at 5040 Walney Road, Chantilly, VA 20151. For more information about these events contact the park by <u>email</u> or call 703-631-0013, TTY 711.

## **Volunteer Opportunity**



## **Photographer - Centreville Day**

Use your talent to support a great community event! Be the official Centreville Day photographer!

#### **Qualifications:**

- Owns photography equipment capable of taking high resolution photographs suitable for later use in print and web publications.
- Familiar with using and asking for permission to photograph forms.
- Enjoy communicating with the public.
- Able to attend Centreville Day on Saturday, October 19, 2019 for eight hours.
- Able to stand for long periods of time and able to walk more than a mile over easy terrain.

Minimum Age: 18

#### Location:

5714 Mt. Gilead Road Centreville, VA 20120

#### Contact:

Kiersten Conley 703-631-0013

#### kiersten.conley@fairfaxcounty.gov

Please note that all photo rights for Centreville Day photographs will be given to the Friends of Historic Centreville. You will receive photo credits and be an in-kind sponsor for Centreville Day 2019.

## Dog Daze at The Water Mine



Date: Saturday, September 7, 2019

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**Location:** The Water Mine (1400 Lake Fairfax Drive, Reston, VA 20190)

<u>The Water Mine</u> goes to the dogs with a season-ending event to benefit the Fairfax County Animal Shelter and the Fairfax County Park Foundation. Dog food donations for the Animal Shelter will be collected at the event.

Activities include: dogs-only swimming, canine resource fair, low cost rabies clinic (12:00 to 2:00 p.m.), and more! Suggested donation: \$10 per dog. For more information, call 703-471-5415.

## School Age Child Care Open Hire Event



# SCHOOL AGE CHILD CARE

## OPEN HIRE EVENT

Are you interested in working with school age children in a fun, energetic, and educational setting? SACC staff support children's healthy development by providing opportunities for children to expand their interests, develop their talents, and enhance their learning.

### Day Care Center Teacher I

Agency: Office for Children, School Age Child Care Program Salary: \$18.88/hour, benefits eligible\*

Job Responsibilities: Plans, prepares and carries out activities and projects for groups of elementary school-age children enrolled in an after-school program. Provides leadership and ensures the safety of the children enrolled in the center.

Schedule: Works afternoons and evenings, 26 - 30 hours per week, Monday thru Friday for 40 weeks, with summer, winter and spring break off. Occasional flexible work hours and full days required (teacher workdays, delayed openings, early releases, etc.).

## Saturday, September 7th, 9 - 11 A.M.

Please bring resume and two references.

Pennino Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Room 206 12011 Government Center Pkwy. Fairfax, VA 22035

For more information about the SACC program, visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/office-for-children/sacc or call 703-449-1414, TTY 711.

#### Minimum Qualifications:

Any combination of education and experience equivalent to completion of two years of study and training at an accredited four-year college or university with major course work in early childhood or elementary education, nursing, recreation, or a related field plus one year of related work experience.

#### Preferred Qualifications:

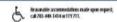
Major course work in early childhood education. Experience working with groups of children. Bilingual ability in English and another language is desired.

#### Note:

\*This position may not exceed 1560 hours per calendar year. Individuals in these positions are eligible for limited employee benefits, including medical, vision, and dental insurance coverage, and participation in flexible spending programs but are not eligible to earn leave or receive holiday pay.







## Funding Opportunity for Youth-led Mental Health Projects



Want to decrease the stigma of seeking help for mental health support in our communities? Don't miss an opportunity to apply for a mini-grant, with \$6,000 available in total, for requests not to exceed \$1,000 each. Grant funds are used to highlight youth-led and youth-planned activities surrounding mental health stigma reduction and suicide prevention.

Funds are made available through a grant from the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Development Services and the <u>Fairfax-Falls Church</u> Community Services Board.

A Request for Proposals will be released on **September 3, 2019**, and it will be posted online.

Grant recipients earlier this year created innovative and impactful programs with grant funding. To read more about their successes, <u>click here</u>.

**Apply Now for Community Fire & Rescue Academy** 



Want to learn more about the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department? You can now apply for the Community Fire and Rescue Academy (CFRA)! The CFRA is open to persons 18 and older who live in Fairfax County. Each session will cover different aspects of the organization, providing an in-depth overview of the department and its uniformed and civilian workforce.

**CFRA applications will be accepted until Friday, September 13, 2019.** The Academy will begin on Thursday, September 26, 2019, and will meet for eight consecutive Thursday, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. and will end on Thursday, November 14, 2019.

To learn more about the program, and to sign up, click here.

## Launch of Statewide Anti-Drunk Driving Checkpoint Strikeforce Campaign



The annual statewide anti-drunk driving Checkpoint Strikeforce Campaign has launched. The DUI law enforcement and public education campaign continues through Labor Day weekend and will resume during Halloween and the holidays.

Complementing the high visibility enforcement, Checkpoint Strikeforce is sponsoring an advertising campaign called "Act Like It." The ad can be viewed here.

To date in 2019, there have been 209 alcohol-involved crashes resulting in eight fatalities and 106 injuries in Fairfax County.

#### What You Can Do:

- Don't drink and drive.
- If you are planning to drink, arrange for a designated driver, use a ride sharing company, or take a taxi.
- If you are with someone who has been drinking, do not let them drive and try to arrange a sober ride for them.
- If you are hosting a party where alcohol will be served, ensure that your guests leave with a sober driver.
- While on the road, report any suspected impaired drivers by calling 9-1-1 or non-emergency dispatch at 703-691-2131.
- Talk to your children about the dangers of impaired driving.

To read the full article, click here.

### The Green Column



## Fairfax County Becomes the 1st Local Government in VA to Reach SolSmart Gold Status

Fairfax County is leading the way in solar energy in the state, becoming the first municipality in Virginia to receive a <u>Gold designation</u> from the national <u>SolSmart</u> program. SolSmart. The new Gold designation comes after the Board of Supervisors voted earlier this summer to amend the zoning ordinance by explicitly allowing residential and non-residential buildings to add solar as an accessory use.

#### **Fairfax County offers:**

- No-fee permitting for residential or commercial solar systems.
- Same-day <u>building permits for solar systems</u>.
- Tax exemptions for homeowners and businesses who install solar equipment.
- Discounted solar systems for homeowners and businesses through <u>Solarize</u> <u>Fairfax County</u>.
- \$5,000 grants for homeowners associations' energy conservation projects like solar through the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District.

 A <u>solar webpage</u> that summarizes solar resources, incentives, and opportunities in the county.

To read the full article, click here.

## **Animal Shelter Corner**



**Meet Blake!** 

Age: 8y 1m Gender: Male Color: Black

Spayed/Neutered: Yes

Size: Large

Meet Blake! He is 94 pounds of pure awesomeness! Apparently no one has told him that he's a super chonky, 8-year old dog because he still acts like a young man living his glory days. He has loads of energy! He loves to play

fetch, and if you are not quick enough throwing the ball, he will tell you (bork!). He loves going on walks. His preference is to lead and stop and smell the flowers at his leisure, but if he sees a squirrel or wants to meet the person walking on the other side of the street, you will see how strong he can be. He is super friendly and loves meeting new people and dogs, and while he really enjoys being around his people, he does not need to be underfoot and is fine going off to do his own thing if you are busy. Basically, Blake is a sweet, gentle giant who would probably do great in just about any kind of home. For more information about Blake, contact the Fairfax County Animal Shelter by email or call 703-830-1100.