

Sull-E Newsletter



A message from Kathy Smith

Good news to report from Dulles Airport this morning. After the Governor stepped up with a \$50 million dollar investment, United Airlines has signed an extension with the airport through 2024. At present about 2/3 of daily departures from Dulles are on United Airlines so keeping them here was very important our economy here in Sully where many jobs relate to the airport. Thanks to the Governor and Commonwealth for stepping up!

Next week, two public meetings will be held on Monday and Tuesday regarding land use issues in Sully District. On Monday, the Dulles Suburban Area Advisory Group will discuss two area-wide issues facing our region. On Tuesday, our two community land use groups will hear an application for a new Chick-Fil-A in Sully Plaza. On October 18, the Board of Supervisors will consider a change to the zoning ordinance section regarding home offices. Finally, on October 19, the Planning Commission will hear an application for the first Pawn Shop in Sully District. If you have input on these issues for me or the Planning Commissioner, please reply to this email or call my office at 703-814-7100.

Katty

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Dulles Suburban Area Advisory Group Meeting on Monday

The public is invited to the next Dulles Suburban Center Study Advisory Group meeting which will be held on **October 3, 2016, 7:00 PM** at the Sully District Government Center in the large community room ([4900 Stonecroft Blvd. Chantilly, VA 20151](https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/transportation/4900-stonecroft-blvd)). County staff will give a presentation about transportation planning in the Dulles Suburban Center. In addition, the submissions [DSC-Areawide-1 \(Bikes and Trails\)](#) and [DSC-Areawide-2 \(Transit\)](#) will be discussed with the Advisory Group. To learn more about the study, visit the Dulles Suburban Center Study [website](#). If you have any questions about this study, you may contact the Planning Division, DPZ by phone (703-324-1380, TTY 711 (Virginia Relay)) or email DPZDullesSubCenter@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Animal Shelter Corner



Nike is definitely a people dog! He loves people, wants to stop and chat with every person he meets, and is a big cuddler. He doesn't quite feel the same way about other dogs and can be a bit picky about his doggy friends, so the shelter staff recommend a visit with any potential doggy siblings. His previous owners said that he is housebroken, walks well on a harness, and lived with cats with no problem. He came to live with them after his original owner passed away, and he was understandably very sad for awhile. But it is time to find him a loving home where

he can be happy again for a long time to come!
Wouldn't you love to bring a little light to this boy's
world again? Learn more about Nike and the Animal
Shelter here: [http://www.petango.com/Adopt/Dog-
Terrier-American-Staffordshire-32251112](http://www.petango.com/Adopt/Dog-Terrier-American-Staffordshire-32251112)

New Zoning Ordinance Changes for Home Offices

On October 18, the Board of Supervisors will consider a change to the zoning ordinance to require that home professional offices, childcare facilities, and veterinary hospitals meet new guidelines. A few of the guidelines being considered are below. You can find more information here:

http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/zoningordinance/proposed/nurseryschools_etc.pdf

"All applications shall be accompanied by a dimensioned floor plan, certified by an engineer, architect or other similar professional licensed by the State of Virginia, identifying all rooms and/or facilities to be used in conjunction with the home child care facility, including gross floor area, and points of ingress and egress from the dwelling...

However, upon receipt of a written request with justification, the Zoning Administrator may accept a dimensioned floor plan that is not certified or sealed by a licensed professional if it can be demonstrated that the submitted floor plan adequately and accurately depicts the proposed interior conditions of the dwelling unit."

Sully Land Use Hearing On Tuesday

The SDCCA Land Use and Transportation Committee meets jointly with the WFCCA Land Use Committee. The next joint meeting is tentatively scheduled for 4 October at 7 p.m. They will be hearing an application for a Chick-Fil-A in Sully Plaza Shopping Center.

Chick-fil-A is proposing to replace the existing KFC. They have a Planning Commission date of November 9. The application number is SEA 85-C-069-03. For more information, click on this

link:

[illustrations of the proposed replacement facility](#)

Pawn Shop Application Pending Approval

On October 19th the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing for the first pawn shop in Sully District. A Special Exception application has been filed for a pawn shop on Airline Parkway in the existing 50 West retail shopping center in Chantilly. The applicant currently operates a licensed retail jewelry, diamonds and precious metals store at the location and would be adding pawn services.

Please contact Laura Floyd in the Sully office at 703-814-7100 or laura.floyd@fairfaxcounty.gov if you have questions. You may also attend the Planning Commission public hearing at the Government Center on the 19th. A staff report regarding the application is available here: <http://dsnet.fairfaxcounty.gov/ldsnet/ldsdfw/4540996.PDF>

Voting in Fairfax County

Weekday Schedule at the Government Center

You can see estimated wait times here: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/absentee.htm>

- **September 23 to October 14**
 - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Thursday: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
 - Monday, October 10, Columbus Day - OFFICE CLOSED
- **October 17 to November 4**
 - Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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Absentee Voting at Satellite Locations

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Click absentee voting location links for an interactive map of the location.

You may also open an [interactive map of all absentee voting locations](#).

Satellite Voting Locations:

[Providence Community Center](#) - 3001 Vaden Dr., Fairfax, 22031

[Franconia Governmental Center](#) - 6121 Franconia Rd., Alexandria, 22310

[McLean Governmental Center](#) - 1437 Balls Hill Rd., Community Room, McLean, 22101

[North County Governmental Center](#) - 1801 Cameron Glen Dr., Community Rooms, Reston, 20190
[West Springfield Governmental Center](#) - 6140 Rolling Rd., Springfield, 22152

[Mason Governmental Center](#) - 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale, 22003

[Mount Vernon Governmental Center](#) - 2511 Parkers Lane, Alexandria, 22306

[Sully Governmental Center](#) - 4900 Stonecroft Blvd., Chantilly, 20151

SATURDAYS ONLY (Closed Weekdays)

[Lorton Library](#) - 9520 Richmond Hwy., Lorton, 22079

Absentee Voting by Mail

Important note if you are voting absentee by mail using the United States Postal Service

(USPS): The USPS has changed its delivery standards and First Class mail delivery is now two to five days. Standard delivery is now two to nine days. Please take this into consideration and allow ample time to apply for and mail-in your absentee ballot so that it is delivered to the Office of Elections by Election Day, Nov. 8 (7 p.m.).

You can keep tabs on the status of your mail-in absentee ballot application and ballot. Go to the [Virginia Citizen Portal](#) and click on Absentee Status.

Deadline to apply for an absentee ballot online, by mail, fax or email is **November 1 at 5 p.m.**

What you need to do:

- **You can apply for your absentee ballot [online](#)**

Or

- Print the [absentee ballot application](#) (PDF). Absentee ballot applications are also available at county governmental centers and library branches, or call the Office of Elections at 703-222-0776 (TTY 711).
- Complete the [absentee ballot application](#) (PDF) – make sure you sign the application.
- Fax the application to the Office of Elections at 703-324-3725. Or, scan then email the application to absenteeballot@fairfaxcounty.gov. Or, mail to the Office of Elections, Box 10161, Fairfax, VA 22038.
- Once your *completed* application is received, your absentee ballot will be sent to you within three business days, beginning on or about September 23. If you have questions about your ballot, call the Office of Elections at 703-222-0776 (TTY 711).

The deadline to return your absentee ballot to the Office of Elections is November 8, 2016 (Election Day), by 7:00 p.m.

Election Officers Needed

The Office of Elections is currently recruiting voters to serve as Election Officers a few days a year, including the upcoming General Election on **Tuesday, November 8, 2016**. Election Officers are needed at each of the 243 precincts in Fairfax County to run the polls and assist the voters. Officers are also needed to be trained to work in Central Absentee Precinct (CAP) at the Fairfax County Government Center. Here are the details.

http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/central_absentee.htm

View our "Being an Election Officer" Video here: <http://youtu.be/HV5cWp1fn60>

Listen to our "Election Officers Needed" Podcast here:

<https://soundcloud.com/fairfaxcounty/county-conversation-election-officers>

In order to be an Election Officer, you must:

- Be fluent in English
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- Be a registered voter in the Commonwealth of Virginia
- Be able to fulfill the Federal I-9 employment eligibility requirements
- Attend a 3-hour training class
- Arrive at the polling place at 5:00 am and remain until all work has been completed after the polls close at 7pm
- Have basic computer skills

The Election Officer's main priority is to ensure the accuracy and integrity of the election process. A typical Election Day consists of:

- arriving one hour before polls open to set up voting equipment
- hanging up pertinent signage
- preparing the polling room for voting
- processing voters throughout the day
- assisting with operating voting equipment
- securing voting equipment and closing down the polling place at the end of the day

Election Officers are offered a stipend of \$175 for serving a full day. We especially encourage bilingual citizens to serve as we need language assistance in many precincts. Residency in Fairfax County is not required. It is a wonderful opportunity for those interested in the election process or public service, and we need civic-minded individuals to help make Election Day a success!

To apply, call the office at (703) 324-4735 . You can also email elect@fairfaxcounty.gov or view our website at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/working.htm for more information.

Sully Seniors

The **Fairfax Commission on Aging** meets on **Wednesday, October 19** at noon at the Chantilly Regional Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road, **Chantilly**. The public is welcome to attend and join in the comment period that begins each session. Find out more at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/olderadultservices/coa.htm. Call **703-324-5403**, TTY 711 for meeting access needs.

Medicare 101. Monday, October 17, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Don't miss this free opportunity to learn how to get the most out of your 2017 Medicare coverage. Medicare's Annual Election Season runs from Oct. 15–Dec 7. This is the time you can change your health and prescription plans. Check your mailbox for the *2017 Medicare and You* handbook and then compare your options. If you need more information or assistance, come to one of the county's Medicare 101 workshops. If you think you may need more one-on-one help, go to one of the enrollment events. Use the provided location contact numbers for questions on attending the training.

Sully Senior Center, 5690 Sully Rd., Centreville.

Contact: Sully Senior Center, **703-322-4475**, TTY 711

www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/olderadultservices/vicap.htm

Information Technology Service for County Residents 60+

Who do you call when you don't have tech-savvy friends or family nearby to help with a computer problem? The Fairfax Area Agency on Aging has an "IT On-Call" program for residents 60 and older. Simply dial 703-324-5406 and request an IT On-Call volunteer. They will ask questions to understand your issue and determine whether or not they can help. Many times, they can walk you through the solutions on the phone. If that doesn't work, they can visit your home usually within a week. Volunteers cannot repair computers or other devices, but they will try and fix small problems that can be resolved within an hour. They will even teach you how to use email and other frequently used apps.

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Getting Around Fairfax with Fastran

In a county as large and car-dominated as Fairfax, finding alternative transportation, can be daunting. Residents have a great number of options including Metro, various buses, taxis, Metro Access and even neighborhood-based volunteer driving programs. While the Golden Gazette has reported on transportation options in the past, we thought it was time for a regular column dedicated to reporting and explaining transportation options.

We begin with Fastran. You may have seen these blue and white buses scooting through your neighborhood and wondered what and who they were for. Fastran services residents of the county and the cities of Fairfax and Falls Church who need rides to and from Senior Centers and Adult Day Health Care Centers. In addition, it provides rides to critical medical care appointments as well as transportation for special outings arranged by senior living facilities.

“Older adults make up more than one-third of our ridership,” said Glenn Padeway, manager of the county’s Human Services Transportation Unit. “Whether it’s transporting older adults to daily activities at local senior centers or adult day health care centers or

taking a group of senior living residents to the grocery store, it's our mission to provide safe, reliable and efficient transportation for all of our riders.”

Some Fastran services have fees based on a sliding scale and the county must first certify all riders. For more information on Fastran—including fees and the rider certification process—call the Customer Service line at 703-222-9764 or go to www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ncs/transportation.

Fastran is operated by the Human Services Transportation Unit of the Fairfax County. Find more transportation options for older adults at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/olderadultservices/transportation.htm or call the Aging, Disability and Caregiver Resource Line at 703-324-7948.

BE DEER SMART:

Reducing Deer-Vehicle Collisions in Fairfax County



Fairfax County is launching its annual awareness campaign, October 2, aimed at reducing the number of deer-vehicle collisions in Fairfax County. Deer-vehicle collisions are a serious public safety concern as development continues and the human population grows in Fairfax County. Efforts aimed at public education are geared towards smart driving, wildlife awareness, and improved deer management in Fairfax County.

Driving smart and staying informed improves your chances of avoiding a deer-vehicle collision and STAYING SAFE!

DEER-VEHICLE COLLISION STATISTICS

Over 48,000 Virginia drivers are projected to file insurance claims for damage sustained as result of a deer-vehicle collision. Virginia is projected to rank 5th in 2009 for all deer/elk/moose claims filed (comprehensive and collateral damage).

Studies show that nearly one in every 136 Virginia drivers will have an accident involving deer in the next 12 months.

45% of all deer-vehicle collisions are recorded in October and November during the rut (deer breeding season). **At this time of year especially**, police urge motorists to drive cautiously.

DEER BEHAVIOR

- **Deer are especially active pre-dawn to mid-morning and dusk to early evening.** These periods of activity correspond with the time when many Fairfax County residents are going to and from work or school.
- **Deer breeding season begins October through December.** Adult deer are highly mobile and especially active during the rut.
- **Deer typically travel in herds.** If you see one, there are likely several more nearby.
- **Deer can be found throughout Fairfax County.** Deer are edge species that easily survive in suburban areas and more natural areas including heavily wooded areas.

SMART DRIVING

- **Always drive the posted speed limit.** The more conservative you are with your speed, the more time you will have to brake if a deer runs across the road.
 - **Always wear your seat belt when in a vehicle.** Severe injuries and/or fatalities are more likely to occur as result of failure to use a seat belt.
 - **Use high-beams when there is no oncoming traffic to improve your visibility.** You will have better view of adjacent woodland edges and open fields.
 - **Be aware of posted “Deer Crossing” signs.** Signs are placed in areas known for high deer traffic and/or deer-vehicle collisions.
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- **Be aware of “Deer Crossing” variable sign boards.** Mobile sign boards are placed in areas known for high deer traffic and/or high deer-vehicle collisions.

DEER ENCOUNTERS

- **Watch for eye shine along roadsides.** Immediately begin to slow vehicle if you spot a deer.
- **Reduce speed and grasp steering wheel firmly with both hands.** You never know when a deer will attempt to cross a road. Deer can be unpredictable animals.
- **If deer is frozen on the road, reduce speed and flash your headlights.** Deer can become mesmerized or blinded by bright steady lights.
- **Never rely on hood whistles, car horns, or other devices to scare deer.** Studies have shown these do not work.
- **Never swerve to avoid deer on the road.** Swerving can cause loss of control of your vehicle and greatly increase chance of more serious damage or injury.
- **Take foot off brake at time of impact.** This action reduces the likelihood of deer crashing through a windshield or windows upon impact.

IF A DEER IS INJURED OR KILLED, immediately report collision to Fairfax County Police Department (non-emergency) at 703-691-2131.

For more information on deer management issues in Fairfax county, contact Victoria Monroe, Wildlife Biologist, at 703-324-0240.
