

A message from Kathy Smith

The Clear the Shelters event is tomorrow, Saturday, August 18! From 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. all adoption fees on all pets will be waived at the Fairfax County Animal Shelter. This week's "Animal Shelter Corner" features Snickers, a 15 year old cat that has been at the Animal Shelter since June, who is ready to find her forever home. To view all available pets, click here.

Fairfax County is seeking public input on the Master Plan for Performing and Visual Arts Facilities to gauge the needs of the county's arts consumers. The survey closes on Friday, August 31. More information is below.

Sincerely,

Reminders!

Starlight Drive-in Cinema:

Every Saturday in August will feature a new movie at the Starlight Drive-in Cinema. Free children's games and activities. Food and drinks available for purchase. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets if you wish to sit outside. Gates open at **6:00 p.m.** Movie starts at dark. Free admission.

Lego Batman Movie

Date: Saturday, August 18

Location: Trinity Centre (5860 Trinity Parkway, Centreville, VA)

For more information, click here.

Events at Chantilly Regional Library



Master Gardener Plant Clinic

Date: Saturday, August 11, 2018

Time: 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Experts answer your gardening questions on Saturday mornings. Ages: Adults.

Game On! @ the Library

Date: Saturday, August 11, 2018

Time: 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Join us for an afternoon of gaming as the Game Truck premiers at the Chantilly

Library! Rising grades: 3 to 6.

Author Visit: Nelda LaTeef

Date: Thursday, August 16, 2018

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Join us as author and illustrator Nelda LaTeef reads from her award-winning book "Animal Village" and answers questions about her books and her life in Africa. She will sign books afterward. All ages.

Marvel Movie Mondays: Black Panther

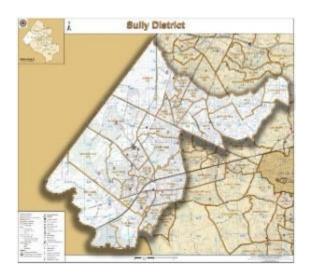
Date: Monday, August 20, 2018

Time: 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Join us for a special screening of *Black Panther*! Rated PG-13. Rising grades 7 to 12.

<u>Chantilly Regional Library</u> is located at 4000 Stringfellow Road, Chantilly, VA 20151. For more information about these events please call 703-502-3883, TTY: 711 or email libch@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Sully Land Use Spotlight



Upcoming Meetings:

Western Fairfax County Citizens Association (WFCCA) & Sully District Council (SDC) Joint Land Use Meeting -

The WFCCA and SDC will meet on Monday, August 20, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sully Governmental Center (4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly, VA 20151) in the McDonnell Room. The agenda can be found here.

The following items are on the meeting agenda*:

- Sully Community Center (FDPA 2006-SU-007-03)
- Izaak Walton (SEA 97-Y-050)
- Montessori Mansion (<u>SE 2014-SU-042</u>)

Sully Station Shopping Center/Dulles Suburban Center Boundary Change
 Plan Amendment (PA 2018-III-BR1)

*The agenda is subject to change by the members of the Joint Land Use Committee, check the agenda page for the most up-to-date information.

Volunteer Opportunity



Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Training for County Residents

The <u>Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program</u> educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area. CERT trains county residents in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. Using the training learned in the classroom and during exercises, CERT members can assist others in their neighborhood or workplace following an event when professional responders are not immediately available to help. CERT members also are encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role

in emergency preparedness projects in their community.

The CERT training classes below follows the FEMA curriculum, tailored to local disasters and hazards. Educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. Emphasis on hands-on skill development and Fairfax County protocols and procedures. Instructor will provide syllabus with class schedule at first session. This training does not require any special physical strength or agility.

For more information and to register for the next class at the Fire and Rescue Academy, please click on the link below:

CERT 140 at the Fire and Rescue Academy, Monday and Wednesday – Aug 27, 29, September 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 26

Clear the Shelters Event



Join the Fairfax County Animal Shelter as they participate in NBCUniversal's 4th annual nationwide pet adoption initiative - Clear the Shelters! **ALL adoption fees**

on ALL pets will completely waived, and the goal is to truly clear out the shelter by getting all available shelter pets adopted!

You can follow along and participate on social media with this nationwide effort by watching the hashtags <u>#CleartheShelters</u> and <u>#DesocuparlosAlbergues</u>, and by tuning in to <u>NBC4</u> and <u>Telemundo 44</u>!

To view the adoption steps and requirements, click <u>here</u>, and to view our available pets, click <u>here</u>.

Thank you to the <u>Friends of the Fairfax County Animal Shelter</u> for sponsoring this event!

5 Tips For Parents Sending Students Off to College



In the coming days and weeks a virtual parade of cars filled with excited college students and anxious parents will be leaving our county and heading to campuses throughout Virginia and across the country. Here are helpful tips provided by our commonwealth's universities for parents – and to share with your student to ensure that they have the information they need to be safe while they are away from home.

1. Follow Campus Police/Security on Social Media

Almost every school's campus police or security office has an online presence on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram. Follow or like and you will be able to stay up to date on campus safety tips, events and alerts.

2. Have the Safety Talk

Before your student waves goodbye and heads into their new dorm, talk to them about having a personal safety plan.

3. Keep in Touch

Students get busy when they are on campus and classes may go from early morning to late night hours. To make sure your student is doing well and adjusting to their new life and schedule, designate a weekly time that is good for both of you to talk on the phone.

4. Know Your Campus' Emergency Procedures

Every campus is different and parents should be aware of campus procedures in case of an emergency, from a snowstorm to an active shooter. Check your campus web pages for this information.

5. Physical and Mental Health Resources

Every university provides resources for your student to help them if they get sick

with the flu or are having difficulty with depression or anxiety. Before you get the call from your student that they aren't feeling well, research the health care options on your campus and also check about your insurance coverage. Make sure your student has the information they need to go to the doctor by themselves, including pertinent family history.

To read the full article, click here.

Meet Sarah White: Fairfax County's New Opioid Coordinator



The Office of Strategy Management for Health and Human Services is pleased to announce Sarah White as Fairfax County's first Opioid Task Force Coordinator. Funds to create the new position were allocated by the Board of Supervisors in the FY 2017 budget in an important effort to coordinate the multi-pronged effort to stem the devastating impact of the ongoing public health crisis across Fairfax

County communities.

Can you briefly tell us about the Opioid Task Force – who's involved, what's being done, what the future might hold? Key goals—short-term and long-term?

The Opioid Task Force has been meeting since July 2017 to create a strategy and resource plan to address the opioid epidemic in Fairfax County. The goals of the task force are to reduce death from opioids through prevention, treatment and harm reduction and to use data to describe the problem, target interventions and evaluate effectiveness. In my new position, I will provide leadership, management and coordination to all aspects of the task force's work and to various countywide opioid initiatives. I feel very fortunate to have the opportunity to work with subject matter experts from multiple county agencies and with dedicated members of the community on addressing this issue.

To read the full article, click here.

Arts Survey Launched to Help Map the Future of the Arts in Fairfax County



Fairfax County residents have the opportunity to provide input on the Master Plan for Performing and Visual Arts Facilities by participating in <u>a survey</u> to gauge the

needs of the county's arts consumers.

The anonymous survey takes about 10 minutes to complete and the information will be incorporated into the planning process. **The survey closes Friday, August 31.**

The survey's results will be provided to the county's Master Arts Plan Task Force, which is using the data in concert with research and available facility data to understand how the county can effectively meet the arts aspirations and needs of county residents, arts organizations and businesses.

<u>Please share the link to the arts survey</u> with friends and neighbors in our county.

The Fairfax County Master Arts Plan Task Force is working in concert with ArtsFairfax and Fairfax County Government. The task force is composed of county residents and others with expertise in the arts, planning, business development and public policy. A report on the survey's results and other activities is anticipated by the end of 2018.

Apply Now For Citizens Fire And Rescue Academy



Want to learn more about the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department? Want to participate in an interesting, fun-filled, eight-week program that will show you what firefighters and paramedics do every day?

You can now apply to the Citizens Fire & 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. Program topics include: fire suppression, emergency medical services, training, recruitment, special operations, and other interesting topics.

<u>CFRA Application</u> will be accepted until August 31, 2018. The Academy will begin September 20, 2018, and will meet for eight consecutive Thursdays, from

6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and ending on November 8, 2018.

To learn more about the program and to sign up, please go here: https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fire-ems/cfra.

Animal Shelter Corner



Meet Snickers!

Age: 15y 2m

Gender: Female

Color: Brown / White

Spayed/Neutered: Yes

Size: Medium

Declawed: No

Lovely Snickers is 15 and should be enjoying her golden years on a sunny windowsill. Described as both a lovebug and lap cat by volunteers, and proven to be great with gentle children, Snickers is a calm sweetie that would love to meet you. Come see her today! For more information about Snickers, contact the Fairfax County Animal Shelter at 703-830-1100 or by email at animalshelter@fairfaxcounty.gov.