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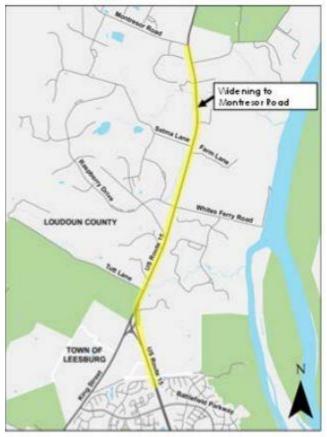
The Faith Leaders Substance Dependence Education and Resource forum was a huge success. We welcomed over 100 leaders from various faith communities. Thank you to our sponsors, Inova Loudoun and the Northern Virginia Business Professional Women's Club, Inc. Speakers, you were all informative and helpful. A special thanks to Capital Community Church and Pastor Chester Mitchell for hosting us.



#### **Route 15 North**

On September 20th, the Board voted unanimously to widen Route 15 between Battlefield Parkway and Montresor Road to a rural four-lane median divided roadway including; a signalized continuous green "T" intersection at King Street; a new traffic signal at White's Ferry Road to accommodate the four lane divided roadway; a realigned section of Limestone School Road to connect with Route 15 at Montresor Road; a two-lane hybrid roundabout at Montresor Road, transitioning back to the two-lane cross section north of Montresor Road; and context sensitive design methodology following the Journey Through Hallowed Ground's design guidelines where feasible.

**Battlefield Parkway to Montresor Road Widening** 



Safety and preservation are my priorities in that order. The next step is to hire a consultant for the context sensitive design process which will engage citizens and stakeholders. I would like the design to follow the Journey Through Hallowed Ground's guidelines to protect our national scenic byway and national heritage area. There will be community meetings and a task force or advisory committee to make sure the design meets the needs of the community. I encourage citizens to stay engaged during the heavy lifting of the design process.

#### **Potomac River Crossing**

At the September 20th meeting, the Board majority voted to incorporate the findings of the Final Report on the Identification of Potential Locations for a New Potomac River Crossing into the Draft Countywide Transportation Plan and to continue the on-going study of a future Potomac River Crossing. Corridors D and E including the area between Corridors D and E, were identified as the preferred location because these corridors connect to Route 28. Lastly, staff was directed to develop a plan for regional coordination and collaboration with local, state, and federal jurisdictions to

advance the concept of developing a future Potomac River Crossing and report back to Board of Supervisors with scheduled updates.

I did not support this motion because it is not a wise use of taxpayer money. I am not against discussing a bridge crossing but, until there is a change in political will from Maryland, it does not make sense to spend staff time, which is taxpayer money, on this issue. My failed motion asked for a suspension until Maryland supports a potential crossing and a location in Maryland can be identified for such a crossing.

#### **Bolen Park Stadium**

On September 14th, the Board of Supervisors approved the Bolen Park Stadium application with options to accelerate the extension of Crosstrail Boulevard from Dulles Greenway to Sycolin Road and the expansion of Sycolin Road. I supported this application because it will be good for the County and benefit businesses in Leesburg. The County will get to use the stadium for graduation ceremonies, concerts and other athletic events. I understand the concerns from residents about the road network and will support accelerating Crosstrail Blvd and Sycolin Road in the Capital Improvement Program. I look forward to working with the Leesburg Town Council on a Traffic Management Plan and hope Kincaid Blvd can be opened to help residents who live in this area with traffic congestion. I understand the Leesburg Town Council made a promise to keep this road closed until Crosstrail Blvd is completed, but conditions have changed and keeping that promise hurts Leesburg residents more.

#### **Arcola Center**

The Board of Supervisors forwarded the Arcola Center application to allow up to 170 acres for a secure data center campus (labeled Corporate Park in the map below) to the October 18th Board business meeting. I am concerned with this data center location because it is close to residential and historic sites, e.g., Arcola Slave Quarters. Data centers do not belong in every available infill property in the County. Although Google has submitted a fantastic design and a good application, I am concerned that this application could set a precedent for data centers in mixed used developments. Residents can speak to the Board of Supervisors during the public input session at 5:00 or 6:30 pm on Thursday, October 18th. Advanced sign-up for public comment is available until noon the day of the hearing by contacting (703) 777-0200.



#### **Rural Summit**

Please save the date for my Rural Summit on Friday, November 16th from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm at the Salamander Resort and Spa. The purpose of this summit is to describe the opportunities and challenges facing rural Loudoun County and identify actionable solutions to preserve and maintain this area. Residents are invited and should RSVP to Elizabeth Bennis at <a href="mailto:elizabeth.bennis@loudoun.gov">elizabeth.bennis@loudoun.gov</a>. Thank you!

Best Regards,

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#### **Investing in Transportation**

#### **Public Comment Open on Visualize 2045**

The Transportation Planning Board has released Visualize 2045, the FY 2019-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and the Air Quality Conformity Analysis for a 30-day public comment period ending October 7th. The public may view the draft plan and submit comments <a href="https://example.com/here/">here</a>.

Visualize 2045 is the federally mandated, long-range metropolitan transportation plan for the National Capital Region. In addition to the road, bridge, high occupancy vehicle (HOV), transit, and bicycle projects that the region's transportation agencies expect to be able to afford between now and 2045, the plan includes aspirational projects, programs, and policies that go beyond financial constraints. The six-year TIP includes all projects, programs, and strategies that the region's transportation agencies plan to implement between 2019 and 2024. The air quality conformity analysis assesses the plan and program with respect to the air quality requirements under the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments.



Loudoun launches new metro connection bus service from Purcellville to Wiehle-Reston East beginning Monday, October 1st from the new park and ride lot in Purcellville, 412 Browning Court to the Silver Line Metrorail Station at Wiehle-Reston East. For more information and to view the schedule go **online**.

#### **Old Ryan Road Closure**

Old Ryan Road between the southern Mooreview Parkway intersection and Ashburn Village Boulevard will be closed to through traffic for about five weeks beginning Monday, September 24th and ending October 26th for a gas line and road widening

project. Residents and businesses within the closure area, emergency vehicles and school buses will have access to the closed portion of Old Ryan Road. Through traffic will be detoured via Mooreview Parkway back to Old Ryan Road.



# Voice for A Cause Loudoun Literacy Council



Loudoun Literacy Council's vision is to be the leading literacy organization in Loudoun

County providing access for all residents to the literacy tools and resources necessary to gain the skills they need to take the most basic and meaningful step toward achieving success and contributing to the community. The Loudoun Literacy Council is buzzing with excitement to announce "The Not-Your-Kid's Spelling Bee" fundraiser is back on Thursday, October 25th at the Ida Lee Recreation Center.

#### **River Safety Foundation**

The River Safety Foundation's mission is to promote safe swimming in the Potomac and Shenandoah Rivers, and in Loudoun County's many streams and creeks. The Foundation was established in 2013, in memory of Joshua Lee Carr, a young man from Virginia who lost his life while swimming in the Potomac River near Harpers Ferry, West Virginia. The organization's official name is the Joshua Lee Carr River Safety Foundation. On September 20th, members of the Loudoun County Fire and Rescue Swift Water Rescue Team were presented with a check for \$5,000 on behalf of the Joshua Lee Carr River Safety Foundation. The substantial donation will pay for specialized equipment and training for the Swift Water Rescue Team.



#### **Bo's Corner**



Bo Machayo received the Loudoun Times-Mirror's 40 Under 40 award which recognizes Loudoun's rising business and community leaders, honoring 40 bright stars under the age of 40. On September 6th, the honorees were featured in a special section in the Loudoun Times-Mirror and recognized at an awards banquet at Stone Tower Winery. Bo, Chief of Staff to Chair Randall, is caring, smart, organized and a person of great faith who speaks four languages. He formerly served as the Strategic Advisor of External Engagement at the U.S. African Development Foundation (USADF), as the Principal Deputy Associate Director for Public Engagement at the Obama White House Council on Environmental Quality under

President Obama, and as the Co-Founder and President of Global Inheritance. Congratulations to Bo Machayo and all the honorees!

#### **Community Events and Information**

All Ages Read Together 8th Annual Horseshoe Hoedown: Saturday, September 29th 5:00 pm to 11:00 pm. Grab your boots and hat for another unforgettable evening of good ole' country fun! Live music, dancing, country style BBQ, drinks, games (horseshoe and corn hole tournaments), mechanical bull and family friendly fun! Proceeds benefit All Ages Read Together, a nonprofit organization dedicated to educating children in need with free preschool programs in their communities.

#### **Absentee Voting for November 6th Election is Underway:**

Anyone who would like to vote an absentee ballot in person may do so at the Loudoun County Office of Elections and Voter Registration, 750 Miller Drive, S.E., Suite C in Leesburg, Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm through October 26th. You do not have to apply in advance to vote in person. Voters who wish to return a ballot by mail may apply online to have an absentee ballot mailed to them through the <u>Virginia Department of Elections</u>. The deadline for voters to apply to have an absentee ballot mailed to them is 5:00 pm, Tuesday, October 30th.



Loudoun Workforce Resource Center Hosts Holiday Hiring Event: October 4th from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm at the Shenandoah Building at 102 Heritage Way, NE in Leesburg. The holidays may be several weeks away, but now is the time to network with employers who have immediate opportunities available for seasonal jobs. Not only does seasonal employment allow for earning some extra cash for the holidays; most businesses offer generous employee discounts, too. Please RSVP <a href="here">here</a>.



# JOIN US FOR THE 2018 HOLIDAY HIRING HOOPLA THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4TH 4:00pm TO 6:00pm

#### Tis the Season for Holiday Jobs!!!

Loudoun businesses are eager to start hiring for seasonal associates to be certain they are staffed and ready during the peak holiday season. Free and open to the public! RSVP at <a href="https://www.eventleaf.com/Hoopla">www.eventleaf.com/Hoopla</a>. Featured employers include:















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<u>Solarize Loudoun Information Sessions:</u> October 11th, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm, Gum Spring Library, 24600 Millstream Dr, Stone Ridge and October 22nd, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm, Ashburn Library, 43316 Hay Rd, in Ashburn. Solarize Loudoun is a local initiative to make going solar

easy and affordable for homeowners. Come learn whether solar power is a good investment for your home or business and how the Solarize Loudoun can connect you with discounted prices from great local installers. This event is free and open to the public. Please RSVP here due to limited space.

<u>Fields of Faith:</u> Wednesday, October 10th from 7:30 pm to 8:45 pm at the Loudoun County High School, 415 Dry Mill Road, SW in Leesburg. Fields of Faith is a community event where students and adults come together to read God's Word, hear powerful testimonies, and pray together in a public arena. We will hear from Tress Way, punter for the Washington Redskins, and from Charles Holmes, Youth Pastor at McLean Bible Church (Loudoun Campus).



**Sprout 5K:** Sunday, October 14th, 9:00 am at Clyde's Willow Creek Farm, 42920 Broadlands Blvd in Ashburn. Both races will be followed by food and drinks provided by Clyde's. 5k: \$30 (\$20 for students), \$40 (Day-of cost), 1k: \$20, \$30 (Day-of cost). All proceeds benefit Sprout Therapeutic Riding and Education Center, a nonprofit organization dedicated to changing lives through partnerships with horses.

Women Giving Back at Top Golf: October 17th from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. Single tickets are \$200 and a 4 person Team is \$775. Women Giving Back's mission is to support women and children in crisis, and build their confidence and self-esteem, by providing great quality clothing at no cost, assisted by caring and committed volunteers who offer personalized service and interaction.



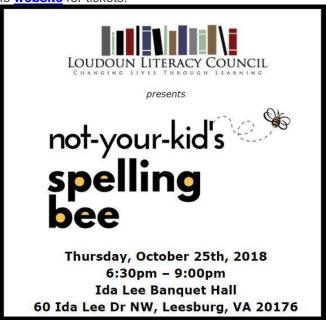
<u>Loudoun's Fall Farm Tour</u>: Saturday and Sunday, October 20-21st from barn animals to craft beverages there is something for everyone. Families from all around the Washington area can explore almost 100 venues during this year's Fall Farm Tour. You can map out a

weekend of fun using brochures available now at county libraries, Visit Loudoun, and **online**.

Sites will have special activities for the weekend, ranging from live farm animals children can ride or pet, to historical tours and hands-on activities. Enjoy mouth-watering produce right off the vine, and take home delicious, farm-fresh food and treats! Several of the farms are pet-friendly, and adults can enjoy craft beverages at dozens of wineries and breweries. All farm tour venues are free to visit; many offer food, drinks and products for a fee.

Ashburn Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department Open House: Sunday, October 21st, 12:00 to 3:45 pm. It's that time again. What better way to spend a fall day with family and friends; lots of fun and educational opportunities for kids: Pediatric Obstacle Course, Safety House, Smoke Detectors, Stop, Drop & Roll, Lego station, Food Court, and much more.

Loudoun Literacy Council Not Your Kid's Spelling Bee: Thursday, October 25th from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm at Ida Lee Banquet Hall in Leesburg. The Not-Your-Kid's Spelling Bee is a fun-filled, competitive evening focusing attention on the need to improve literacy in our community. Visit the **website** for tickets.



<u>Loudoun Salute:</u> Our 5th annual Loudoun Salute to Military, Veterans and Families will take place on October 27th at Stone Bridge High School in Ashburn. Not only do we want to experience the largest attendance ever, we want to raise \$20,000 dollars that will be used to support our veteran community members - retired and active duty veterans and their families - who experience unexpected financial hardships. In order to meet this goal, we are counting on local industry representatives, businesses and individuals to become a "<u>Salute</u> Sponsor".

The Loudoun County, Virginia, Government and The Ashburn American Legion Leonard W. Kidd Memorial Post 2001



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# Loudoun Salute to Military, Veterans & Families

From 10:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 27, 2018

Stone Bridge High School, 43100 Hay Road, Ashburn, VA 20147

#### **ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAM BEGINS AT NOON**

- \* Music by John Champe High School String Orchestra and Hillside Elementary School Choir
- \* WELCOME from Loudoun County Board of Supervisors Chair Phyllis Randall and Vice-Chair Ralph Buona
- \* PRESENTATION by Bonnie Carroll, president & founder, Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS)



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