

Hello, Loudoun

You are invited to 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 encouraged to attend and should RSVP to Elizabeth Bennis at elizabeth.bennis@loudoun.gov. Thank you!



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2018 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Salamander Resort and Spa 500 N. Pendleton St., Middleburg, VA 20117

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Loudoun 2040 Comprehensive Plan

The Planning Commission has scheduled a special public hearing on the draft comprehensive plan Wednesday, November 7th at 6:00 pm in the Board Room of the Loudoun County Government Center, 1 Harrison Street SE in Leesburg. The Loudoun 2040 Comprehensive Plan includes the County's General Plan and Countywide Transportation Plan. Once adopted, it will serve as the county government's guide for land use and transportation policy for the foreseeable future.

Anyone who is interested in speaking at the Planning Commission public hearing is encouraged to do so in advance by calling 703-777-0246 prior to 12:00 pm the day of the hearing. Speakers may also sign up at the hearing. Written comments may be sent at any time to loudounpc@loudoun.gov.

I want to be on the record about the unconstrained residential market demand study from Kimley Horn. The 60,000 net new units from 2021 to 2040 is not real but a fact of where a house could be placed taking nothing else into consideration like schools and transportation. I respect what the Envision Loudoun Stakeholders did for 2 years. The 2040 draft plan is now in the hands of the Planning Commission. Although I appreciate their work, it is

very unlikely these unconstrained numbers will be realized when the Board takes up the draft plan in January 2019. Below is the project timeline for the plan.



Resident Surveys

An online, <u>Communitywide Survey</u> is now open to all Loudoun County residents through November 2nd to get feedback on government services and residents' use of services, the county's quality of life, and priorities for government initiatives. The survey only takes 10 minutes to complete and can be accessed by visiting this <u>website</u>.

The survey was also mailed to 3,000 randomly-selected Loudoun households in September 2018. The random-sample mail survey uses a proven scientific method to provide greater reliability in generalizing results. Residents who received the survey in the mail should complete that version using the instructions provided in the mailing. Survey results are expected to be presented to the Board of Supervisors in early 2019.

Earlier this month, the County kicked off its every five year community health assessment entitled <u>Live Healthy Loudoun</u>. A key part of this process is getting input from as many people as possible who live or work in Loudoun County through a brief, anonymous <u>online survey</u>. The survey is open until October 31st.

Thank you for participating in these surveys. Your voice is important to me.

Arcola Center

The Board approved the Arcola Center application at the October 18th business meeting subject to the proffer statement and the conditions of approval. I supported this application but with reservation. The residents believe they are the forgotten neighborhood because the original plan from 2006 has largely remained unrealized more than 10 years later. Residents are in support of this because it's where they are right now. They aren't happy to have a data center across the street, but appreciative Google will build the needed road infrastructure.

Land Application of Biosolids

The board directed staff to perform a resource and cost analysis associated with the adoption and implementation of a Biosolids Monitoring and Testing Ordinance and local authority to regulate the storage of biosolids. Biosolids is defined by the Code of Virginia as a sewage sludge that has received an established treatment and is managed in a manner to meet the required pathogen control. Farmers use this sewage sludge as a land fertilizer. There have been 18 complaints filed with the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) about the use of biosolids at one site in Lucketts. Half of the complaints in the state have come from this site. I am not convinced there is nothing going on here and want to look at the site more thoroughly. The Board has asked staff to gather more information and come back with the results of the analysis at a future Finance/Government Operations and Economic Development Committee meeting.

Congratulations to Loudoun County Administrator Tim Hemstreet who received the 2018 Visionary Leadership Award from the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments' (COG) Institute for Regional Excellence. The annual award recognizes top government officials for their career achievements and outstanding contributions to the region and their home jurisdictions. Although he stays quietly in the background, Tim works very hard for you and your family. We're very lucky to have him in Loudoun.

Saturday, I was honored to offer the keynote address at our Loudoun Salute to Military, Veterans and Families Annual Program. Loudoun did you know only .5% of Americans are in the US Military? They are heroes who answered the call to serve. We owe them our gratitude and respect.



Due to Election Day, the Board moved its first business meeting to Thursday, November 8th at 5:00 pm. The second Board business meeting in November is cancelled due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Please remember to vote on Tuesday, November 6th. Thank you and have a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday.

Best Regards,

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Investing in Transportation

VDOT Incident Management Open House on Saturday, November 10th from 10 am to 2 pm at VDOT's Northern Virginia District Office, 4975 Alliance Drive in Fairfax. An outdoor touch-a-truck exhibit will feature a simulated crash scene to help the public see an incident from the perspective of first responders who work in the roadway every day. Attendees can watch live demonstrations of patient extrication, towing recovery, drone operations, and tree removal. An indoor expo will feature booths for VDOT incident management coordinators, public affairs, safety manager, signal operations, Safety Service Patrol, and Transportation Operations Center. The event will also feature food trucks and a kids' zone. For more information, visit this **website**.

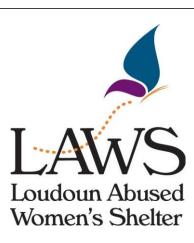


Voice for a Cause Loudoun Abused Women's Shelter

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The Loudoun Abused Women's Shelter (or more commonly known as LAWS) provides free, confidential services to adults and children who are victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and child abuse. Its goals are:

- To empower, inform and advocate for adults and children;
- To educate the community about domestic violence and sexual assault:
- To work towards the elimination of personal and societal violence.

In Fiscal Year 2018, LAWS' staff and volunteers touched the lives of 1,077 individuals through direct services and educated 4,191 individuals through prevention, outreach and awareness programs.



Bo's Corner



On October 13th, Bo attended a ribbon cutting for Sleeter Lake Park in Round Hill with Mayor Scott Ramsey, Supervisor Buffington, Steve Torpy, and other officials. This is the only

lakefront park with public access in Loudoun County. The 11-acre park features picnic areas with tables and grills, canoe and kayak storage, a soft-launch and an extensive shoreline for fishing. It is located between Round Hill and Purcellville, on the east side of Sleeter Lake, south of Route 7. The address is 17749 Lakefield Road. It will be open 7:00 am to dusk.

Community Events and Information

Extended Hours for Absentee Voting: The last day to vote an absentee ballot in person is Saturday, November 3rd. There are a number of reasons that voters choose to vote absentee, including school, work, vacation or illness. Information on eligibility to vote absentee is online. Voters may vote an absentee ballot in person at these locations:



- Loudoun County Office of Elections and Voter Registration,
 750 Miller Drive, S.E., Suite C, in Leesburg: Saturday,
 November 3rd from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm. Absentee voting also will be available at the office through Friday, November 2nd, from 8:30 am to 8:00 pm.
- Cascades Senior Center, 21060 Whitfield Place, Sterling: Saturday, November 3rd, from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Absentee voting will also be available through Friday, November 2nd from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm.
- Dulles South Recreation and Community Center, 24950 Riding Center Drive, South Riding: Saturday, November 3rd from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Absentee voting will also be available through Friday, November 2nd from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

Passport Services Offered at Rust Library

Passport book and card application processing as well as photo services are available on a first-come, first-served basis six days a week at Rust Library, located at 380 Old Waterford Road NW in Leesburg. U.S. citizens planning international travel can apply for their passports Tuesday through Thursday from 11 am to 8 pm, Friday and Saturday from 11 am to 4 pm and Sundays from 1 to 4 pm. Rust Library is now the sixth Passport Acceptance Facility in Loudoun County. For application forms, information on required documentation, fees and other passport information visit the library website.

<u>Loudoun County Green Data Centers Development Event:</u> Wednesday, November 7th at 1:00 pm at Digital Realty, 43940 Digital Loudoun Plaza in Ashburn.

Loudoun County's "Data Center Alley" is the world's largest concentration of data centers, with nearly ten million square feet in operation and another three million square feet being planned or developed. The over 75 data centers in the County serve more than 3,000 technology companies and up to 70 percent of the world's internet traffic flows through them each day. The high concentration of Loudoun County's data centers offers a unique opportunity to explore best practices of architects and engineers integrating sustainability into data center design and construction, operators maintaining maximum energy efficiency, developers considering environmental impacts, and local governments incentivizing the adoption of advanced energy efficiency technologies. Chair Randall will be speaking at the first panel at 1:00 pm called, "Policy and Financing Options for Green Data Center Development." Please RSVP here.

Marshall House Veterans Day Commemoration: Sunday, November 11th from 2:00 to 5:00 pm. Join us for this annual celebration at 2:00 pm, followed by a BBQ on the grounds. For more information, visit the George C. Marshall website.

Ashburn Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department Pancake Breakfast: Sunday, November 11th from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm at Founders Hall, Station 6, Ashburn Road. Here's a great opportunity for the family to chow down with some great eats and enjoy family, friends and neighbors. Kiddie craft table and sales table with lots of gift ideas.

Loudoun Commission on Women and Girls STEAM Roundtable: Monday, November 12th 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Rust Library, 380 Old Waterford Rd NW in Leesburg. All residents are invited to join us as we present a roundtable discussion on Forging Forward: The Changing Landscape of Women in STEAM with a panel of experts currently working in and/or pursuing STEM/STEAM fields of interest. This event is free to the public and refreshments will be served. Please register here.



The Arc of Loudoun Holiday Giving Program: Allows people to receive gifts during the holiday season that they would not otherwise receive. Elves and groups of givers give gifts to The Arc families who have children and adults with disabilities and group homes. If you are



Make the Holidays Brighter with a Loudoun Grown Tree: Starting November 24th, you can take a scenic drive out to a Loudoun County tree farm and cut your own Christmas tree. Stay for hot apple cider or a hay ride, and shop for unique, handmade gifts by local artists. Other Loudoun venues offer locally grown wreaths, poinsettias and other holiday decorations. Please support our local businesses by planning now to get your tree from a Loudoun farmer. For specific dates, times, maps and costs, check out the website.

Step Up Loudoun Youth Competition 2019: Registration for Step Up Loudoun Youth Competition (SULYC) is open through December 21st and the main competition will take place March 28, 2019. SULYC is a program of Loudoun Youth, Inc. in partnership with Loudoun County Parks, Recreation and Community Services. It empowers middle and high school students in Loudoun County to identify an issue in their school, neighborhood or community, research the problem, create and implement an action plan, then evaluate the community impact. Students work individually or in teams to make a difference. Positively improving others' lives gives youth purpose and helps them realize the big impact they can have in our community. SULYC encourages, supports and rewards those students who rise to the challenge, with the top ten teams winning monetary prizes between \$250 and \$1000.

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