



CHAIR PHYLLIS J. RANDALL NEWSLETTER



Hello, Loudoun

Loudoun, you are invited to join us for the full incoming Loudoun County Board of Supervisors ceremonial Installation Celebration and Gala. The Installation Ceremony will be held, free of charge, on Saturday, January 4th from 10:00 am to noon at the National Conference Center. The Gala, a "Black Tie Optional" affair, will be held that evening at 6:30 pm at the same location. The ticket cost of \$40 will cover Gala expenses. Any excess funds will be donated equally to the Loudoun YMCA, Loudoun Commission on Women and Girls, Loudoun Hunger Relief and the Dulles Area Food Pantry. I hope you'll be able to join us! To purchase tickets for the Gala, please visit this [link](#). This week, I had my official swearing-in ceremony with my husband, sister and staff in attendance. It is a great honor and blessing to serve as your Chair.



A Story of Hope in Howardsville

Thomas Reid, a long time resident of Howardsville, a small, historically black community in western Loudoun, used an outhouse for a toilet and had no running water. Thanks to the dedicated work of County staff he was put up in a trailer with a toilet and running water. The fact that he was using an outhouse and having to boil water to take a shower all these years in Loudoun County is unconscionable. I am very happy this was done before the holidays at the County's expense because he was paying higher taxes than he should have for years. Mr. Reid is very appreciative and says his sleep has improved significantly. When he took his first hot shower in the trailer, he lost track of time and was eventually forced out because the water temperature started dropping. He laughed and danced in his chair as he mimicked how he tried rinsing off the soap under the cold water. I love being Chair everyday, but this heartwarming story makes me really love being Chair.

Howardsville house to be renovated and temporary trailer for Mr. Reid.



To prevent this from happening to others, I made a motion that was approved unanimously at the December 3rd Board business meeting to field verify the location of outhouses or privies in Loudoun County where little information is available and identify solutions to eliminate these outhouses or privies. We need to find out if there are any more people who need running water and septic systems.

The Board also approved plans for the new community wastewater treatment system in Howardsville in April. The \$1.47 million project remains in the design phase, with construction beginning as early as next year. This system will expand the service district for the Willisville community wastewater treatment system developed in 2007.

2nd Amendment and Discharge of Firearms

At the December 11th Public Hearing, we approved the following amended language to the Codified Ordinances of Loudoun County Section 684.03(d), "the discharge of firearms is prohibited within 100 yards of a building with a current occupancy permit and/or regularly occupied structure, unless the owner or authorized agent has given permission." We also created a new Section 684.03(e) in the Codified Ordinances of Loudoun County stating, "The discharge of firearms for recreational or target shooting purposes shall be conducted in such a manner as to ensure that projectiles do not leave the boundaries of the property or parcel upon which the shooting is occurring, unless permission to do so has been granted by the owner of the property or parcel upon which the projectile lands. A projectile leaving the boundaries of the property or parcel shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this section."

I supported the discharge of firearms amendments to the codified ordinance because I don't think rounds should leave people's property. The Board also requested staff provide information to the public on the ordinance changes and the importance of using firearms safely.

Recycling

At the December 3rd meeting, I moved that the Board allocate \$218,000 from the FY 2020 uses to establish a glass only recycling program at the nine County centers and authorize one full time staffer in the Department of General Services to manage the program. This motion provides residents the opportunity to recycle glass separately. Currently, our drop off centers collect glass bottles and jars, plastic beverage containers, metal cans, paper and cardboard via a "single stream" collection where materials are mixed. The concern is that the glass contaminates the other materials. This program will improve our ability to separate recyclables and take the glass to Fairfax County where it will be crushed and repurposed. An important component will be an education campaign to let residents know glass recycling is now available at the County centers.

Children's Science Center

At the December 3rd Board business meeting, Loudoun County entered into a triparty Memorandum of Agreement with the Children's Science Center (501(c)3 non-profit organization) and the Science Museum of Virginia regarding the development and operation of the Northern Virginia Science Center. The County will contribute \$15 million towards the design, construction and installation of the fixed exhibits within the museum.

The Children's Science Center was founded to address the need for an interactive science center in Northern Virginia, the largest metro area in the country without such a resource. Today the Center serves over 70,000 visitors a year at its interim site at the Fair Oaks Mall. The current design will include 50,000 square feet with plans to expand up to 70,000 square feet in the Kincora development, which sits at the intersection of Route 7 and Route 28.

A Children's Science Center in Loudoun will be an enormous asset to not just our County, but the entire region. We are fortunate that so many have come together to make this vision a reality. We still have a long way to go but as of now we're on track to start design. The next step will be to discuss permanent exhibits. What better place for a new Children's Science Center to call home?



Regulation of Massage Establishments

At the December 3rd Board business meeting, we unanimously approved drafting amendments to the Codified Ordinances of Loudoun County to regulate massage establishments. The Northern Virginia Human Trafficking Initiative believes there are close to 100 illicit establishments in Northern Virginia. It is unfortunate on so many levels.

In the New Year, I will be hiring a new Legislative Aid for Behavioral and Community Health, Sarah Tuggle. She will be working with our faith based partners and nonprofits on this issue and other issues in January. Please help me welcome her to my staff.

Accomplishments 2016-2019

At the beginning of the 2016-2019 term, this Board defined five strategic initiatives as their key areas of focus:

- Community Needs/Quality of Life
- Comprehensive Planning
- Economic Development
- Growth Management
- Transportation

In addition to achieving significant progress on these strategic initiatives, the Board's accomplishments during its term have included continued sound fiscal management, efforts to attract and retain high-quality employees,

efficiency in government operations, public safety and effective service delivery for residents. Our vision, adopted in November of 2016, states: By honoring its rich heritage as well as embracing the robust opportunities of a new day, Loudoun County maintains the high quality of life it has achieved, shapes a future that represents the best of both worlds, and creates a place where residents can live, work, learn, and play.

During this term, significant progress has been achieved toward realizing this vision and in improving County government's organizational effectiveness. Please visit this [website](#) to see the highlights of our accomplishments so far. I'm very proud of what we accomplished together. Please join me in wishing my colleagues who are leaving all the best in their future endeavors, and thank them for their service.

In the New Year, Jeanine Arnett will return as my Chief of Staff. Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!



Best Regards,

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Investing in Transportation

Riverside Parkway

On December 12th, we celebrated the breaking of ground for the construction of the four-lane, divided road segment of Riverside Parkway, between Lexington Drive and Loudoun County Parkway. Constructing this segment allowed for the removal of the traffic signal and the intersection at Lexington Drive and Route 7. Direct connections at Route 7 will be made at Ashburn Village Blvd and Loudoun County Parkway. Construction of this segment of Riverside Parkway is expected to be completed by the fall of 2021.

Ashburn Road Sidewalk Project

On December 13th, we celebrated the start of construction of the Ashburn Road sidewalk project, which will improve pedestrian access and safety with the construction of 1,100 feet of sidewalk on the east side of Ashburn Road between Partlow Road and the W&OD Trail. This project includes the construction of a sidewalk, curb and gutter, improved drainage and signage. Curb ramps and crosswalks installed along this segment of Ashburn Road will comply with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act, providing an accessible route that people with disabilities can use to safely transition from the road to the curbed sidewalk, and vice versa.



Voice for a Cause **NOVA Relief Center**

NOVA Relief Center's mission is to improve the quality of life for refugees and immigrants with a blanket and coat drive, and provide local support to our neighbors. It is a creation of the local governments in Northern Virginia in partnership with business and religious organizations throughout the region. We have sent over 600,000 blankets and coats to Turkey, Lebanon, and Jordan.



Community Events and Information

Sweats for Vets: In its 14th year, this program requests donations of new sweat suits for our veterans at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Martinsburg. There is a collection box in the Loudoun County Government Center, 1 Harrison Street in Leesburg.

2019 Goal is
1000 sets of
sweats!!

SWEATS FOR VETS

Sweats4Vets.com



**You can make a difference.
Help a Veteran today.
Provide a new sweat suit as a gift
for our hospitalized veterans at
Martinsburg, WV VAMC**



- New sweat suits only (sets preferred)
- All sizes accepted with a focus on XL, 2XL, 3XL and 4XL and colorful Ladies sets, too
- Do not wrap the sweats in gift wrap but tie each set with Christmas ribbon
- If possible, please put the name of the donating organization on the label
- Sweats can be dropped here in the box, or if making a donation checks can be written by individuals or organizations to "Martinsburg VAMC"
- Sweats will be packaged at VFW 1177 Post in Leesburg from 9AM-12PM on Saturday, December 28th, 2019 and delivered to Martinsburg VAMC in Martinsburg, WV on Saturday, January 11th, 2020



Census Recruitment Event: Wednesday, January 8th, beginning at 10:30 am at Rust Library, 380 Old Waterford Road NW in Leesburg. The event will be structured as a series of back-to-back information sessions every hour; each session will include a 30-minute presentation followed by 20-25 minutes of application assistance. Sessions will begin every hour on the half-hour with the last session starting at 2:30 pm. Participants should bring their own technology (phone, tablet, laptop) or plan to use a library computer (a one-day library pass can be provided if not a library card holder) to access the online application and assessments. Registration is not required to attend or participate. For questions or more information about this event, contact the Workforce Resource Center at 703-777-0150.



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Flexible and Part-time Positions

Starting Pay at \$25/hour

U.S. Citizens with Access to Reliable Transportation

Learn more about available Census jobs in Loudoun County
and get one-on-one help to apply online:

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

***Sessions begin every hour on the half-hour**

Rust Library

380 Old Waterford Road NW

Leesburg, VA 20176

Bring your own technology (phone, tablet, laptop)
or use a library computer (one-day library pass provided)

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If you require a reasonable accommodation for any disability in order to participate, contact the Loudoun Workforce Resource Center at 703-777-0150. Three days advance notice is requested.

**United States
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2020**

YMCA Chocolates Galore: Friday, February 28th, 7:00 to 9:00 pm at the Lansdowne Resort and Spa. Tickets are available [here](#).



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33rd ANNUAL YMCA LOUDOUN COUNTY

CHOCOLATES GALORE & MORE

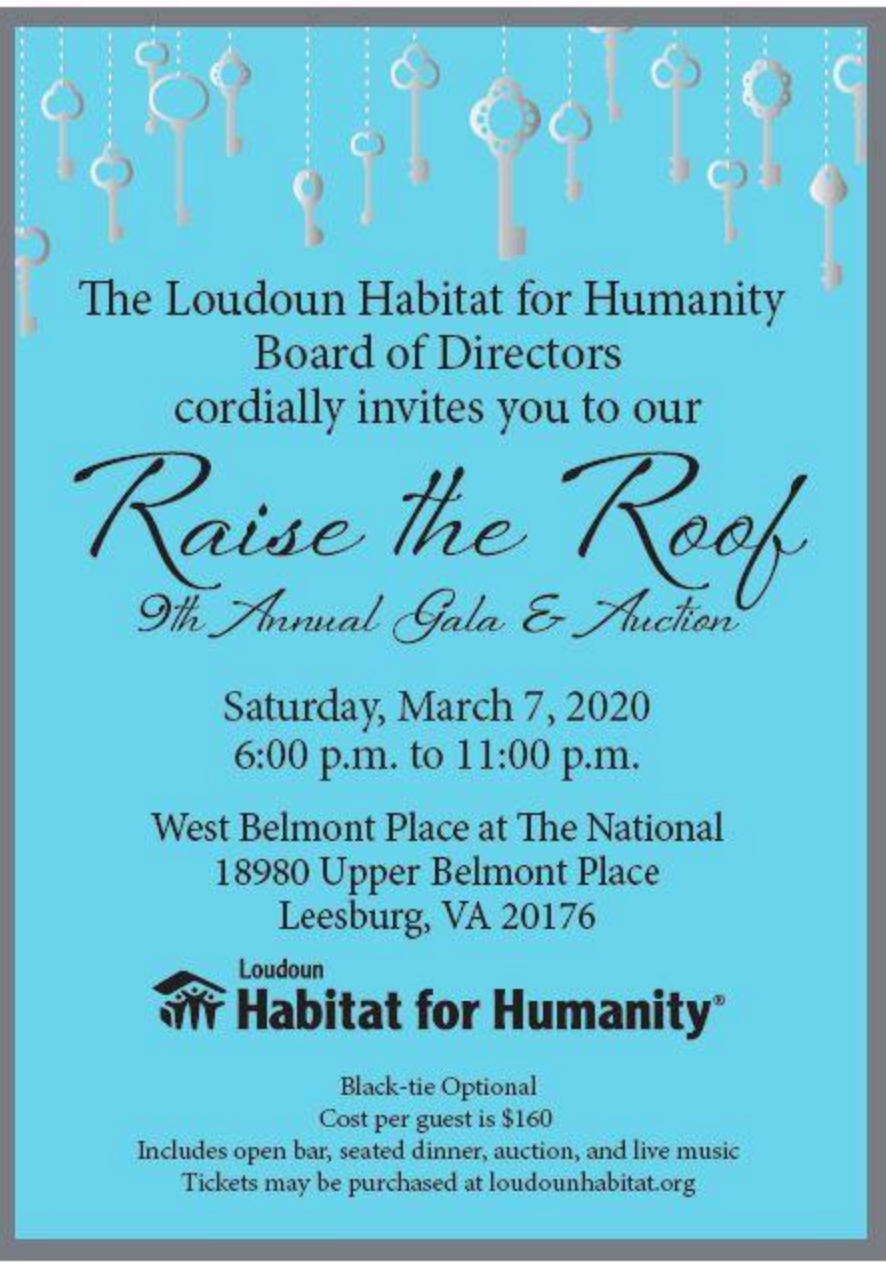
A delicious evening benefiting
children in Loudoun County

Friday, February 28, 2020
7:00 PM - 11:00 PM
Lansdowne Resort and Spa

Tickets available at
www.loudounchocolates.com



Loudoun Habitat for Humanity Raise the Roof Gala: Saturday, March 7th from 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm at The National Conference Center. The Gala brings people together to raise funds to unlock futures and change lives in Loudoun County so that more families have access to decent housing. An elegant evening, the night begins with a cocktail reception followed by a seated dinner, dancing to a live band, auction and more! A guest from last year commented - "This is one of the best events in Loudoun that I look forward to every year. Well done!" For more information about tickets and sponsorship opportunities, please contact Laura van Leliveld at lvaneliveld@loudounhabitat.org.



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