All About Algonkian



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From Supervisor Briskman

I am so pleased to bring you the first All About Algonkian, an interactive newsletter to share with you all of the great things happening in the Algonkian District and to get your feedback, comments, and ideas. Thank you for trusting me to represent you and your needs on the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors. The health and

safety of Algonkian requires our partnership. When I campaigned I promised to put our schools first. To that end, I have already met with parents from Countryside Elementary School to hear their concerns about how their children can walk safely to school.

I promised to make our parks and trails a priority. Algonkian is fortunate to have miles of riverfront, hiking trails, running and bike paths. Many of you have expressed to me the desire to enhance those recreational opportunities. My nominations to the Parks and Recreation Board reflect that commitment and skill to guide that planning and decision-making.

I was thrilled to be appointed to the Joint School Board Committee, Finance and Budget, Family Services, Potomac Watershed Roundtable, and the Metropolitan Council of Governments. Serving on these committees Zachary is a public policy wonk with an abiding interest in practical solutions and policies that enhance quality of life. That commitment is evidenced in Zachary's work on fiscal policy, researching zoning to improve walkability and economic justice. When he's not conducting indepth policy analysis and studying for his Master's in public policy at George Mason University, Zachary enjoys playing soccer, readina biographies of world leaders and hiking.

Chief of Staff

provides me hands-on opportunities to make real and long-lasting changes in areas that affect the quality of life for Algonkian and Loudoun residents.

I'd like to thank the staff and residents of the Cascades HOA for allowing me to attend their monthly meeting. It was a great opportunity to listen to the community's thoughts on development, dog parks, golf cart paths, and pickle ball! Please let me know when your HOAs are meeting. I'd love to come!

This is the first in an ongoing conversation. Please feel free to reach out to me or any member of my staff, any time, on any issue. Come to a Board of Supervisors Meeting and let your voice be heard and follow me on Facebook.

Thank you again for this opportunity to represent you.

Juli Briskman

STERLING MEADOWS TOWN HALL

Join us for a town hall meeting on Saturday, February 22nd at 12:30 - 2:00 p.m. in Meeting Room B of the Cascades Library, located at 21030 Whitfield Place, Potomac Falls, to discuss the upcoming Sterling Meadows proposed project. We will be joined by county zoning and traffic staff, as well as proposed developers, Willard Retail.

Celebrate Black History Month

Did you know that after Reconstruction African-Americans owned farms that now make up the Countryside, Cascades, Sterling, and Dulles Town Center?

> Heritage Farm Museum Presents FARMING IN STERLING: THE EDDS, EWING, AND NOKES FAMILIES

> > Saturday, February 15, 2020 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Rey Cheatham Banks

Rey has a deep policy background. She spent a number of years working to improve the criminal justice system, from jail overcrowding to writing death penalty mitigation petitions. She is an avid reader and amateur gardener. With her last child off to college, Rey has more time to chase her 7 month old American Staffordshire Terrier, Loki.



Loudoun Heritage Farm Museum (21668 Heritage Farm Lane, Sterling, VA 20164) <u>More Information</u>





#CountDMVin

Starting March 12, households will begin receiving official Census Bureau mail with detailed information on how to respond to the 2020 Census online, by phone, or by mail.

The census provides critical data that lawmakers, business owners, teachers, and many others use to provide daily services, products, and support for you and your community. Every year, billions of dollars in federal funding go to hospitals, fire departments, schools, roads, and other resources based on census data. Help make sure Loudoun County and the state of Virginia receives the correct amount of resources to provide for our citizens needs.

For more information on the Census, visit the official <u>2020 Census website</u>.

BOS Meetings

The Board of Supervisors meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month. Public Hearings are held the Wednesday after the 1st Board meeting.

The next BOS meeting will be held Tuesday, February 18 at 5:00 p.m.

BOS Calendar

Want to speak? Visit the county web page for information.

Are you interested in learning how your real estate is valued for local tax purposes? County staff has developed a presentation to explain just that!



Date: Monday; February 24

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Loudoun County Government Center (Dulles

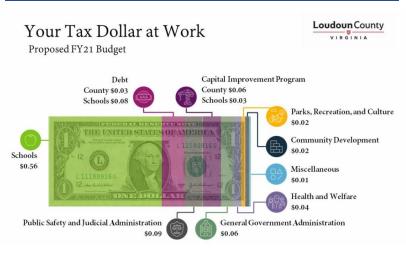
Room)

1 Harrison Street SE, Leesburg, VA 20175

Presented by: Robert S. Wertz, Jr.

Commissioner of the Revenue for Loudoun

County, Virginia



Loudoun County Budget Public Hearings

If you are interested in how the county makes budget decisions and how funds are allocated throughout the county, make plans to attend and speak at one of three upcoming Loudoun County Budget Public Hearings.

Tuesday, February 25, 2020 3:00 p.m. Loudoun Government Center 6:00 p.m. Government Center

Saturday, February 29, 2020 9:00 a.m. Loudoun County Public Schools Administration Building Call (703) 777-0204 to sign-up in advance

Learn more

TO YOUR HEALTH

Loudoun County Sponsors Training on Reversing Opioid Overdoses

Loudoun County continues to host training sessions on how to recognize and respond to an opioid overdose. The next Revive! session is scheduled for **Thursday, February 27, 2020, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.** at the offices of the Loudoun County Department of Mental Health, Substance Abuse and Developmental Services (MHSADS), 906 Trailview Boulevard in Leesburg. If you know anyone who uses opioids, please consider attending. Classroom space is limited and advanced online registration is required.

ATOOSA REASER

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School Board Snippets

By way of introduction, my name is Atoosa Reaser and I serve as Vice Chair and your Algonkian District Member to the Loudoun School Board.

My committee assignments include chairing the Legislative & Policy committee, which works with our General Assembly to promote legislation to help the school division. I also sit on the Joint School Board and Board of Supervisors Committee along with Supervisor Briskman. We are working on year-long goals of mutual interest to both boards, which we will share with you after our next meeting. Over the last month, I made additional school visits and conferred with principals to get an update on Algonkian District needs as we headed into our budget adoption process, which we completed this week. For more details, sign up for my full-length newsletter, by filling out the form on my web page.

Supervisor Briskman and I attended several meetings together to hear about and address traffic calming issues where our children are walking to school, the expansion of sidewalks through a federal government grant program, and the potential of a joint effort to support glass recycling.

For a list of such events, including monthly office hours, check out the Events tab on my <u>Facebook page</u>.

If you have other questions or concerns, please email me <u>atoosa.reaser@lcps.org</u> to set up a telephone conference.

Atoosa Reaser

And Finally.....



Thank you to Boy Scouts Troop 150 and Pack 1152 for coming to visit my office and tour the Government Center. I enjoyed meeting this sharp group of scouts and sharing with them how their county government works. The scouts were working on their community service badge and led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.



Calling all Entrepreneurs-Loudoun County's own Version of Shark Tank!

Are you a small business with innovative ideas in need of financial support? The Loudoun County Economic Development Authority may have just the help you're looking for. The 2020 Innovation Challenge will award one first prize grant for \$75,000 and up to three \$25,000 grants for companies developing innovative products and services in Loudoun County.

The application deadline is March 31.

Learn more at LoudounInnovationChallenge.com

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Have an interesting comment you'd like to share? Want to see someone you know from Algonkian featured? <u>Email Rey Cheatham-Banks</u>

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