



Weekly Newsflash

SEPTEMBER 15, 2022

PROJECT UPDATE: Route 7/Winchester Wall Painting

The condition of the concrete wall between Route 7 and Winchester Drive near the Route 7/Sterling Boulevard intersection is something many of you have reached out to me about. In

response to the concerns of my constituents I passed legislation and secured funding for a project to clean up the wall and make it aesthetically pleasing by giving it a proper and better painting. I am glad to report that this project has begun.

Thus far, the work has entailed tree trimming, power washing, and putting sample paint up, but work is scheduled to pick up next week. There will be a temporary lane closure on Route 7 to enable workers to safely paint the wall.

The lane closest to the wall on eastbound Route 7 is scheduled to be closed from September 19 (Monday) and remain closed through September 23 (Friday).

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Prospective Jurors Needed for 2023 Jury Trials

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loudoun.gov/jury

The Clerk of the Circuit Court's Jury Management team is sending out 50,000 jury questionnaire postcards to Loudoun County residents for the purpose of determining who is qualified for jury duty in Loudoun County in 2023. These mailings have begun and will continue through the

month of September.

Loudoun residents who receive a postcard are required to use an online, secure portal to complete the jury questionnaire instead of using paper documents. The postcard questionnaires are less expensive, and the online portal provides a more efficient way for the recipient to complete the questionnaire and for the Clerk's Jury Office team to process tens of thousands of questionnaires, said Clerk of the Circuit Court Gary M. Clemens.

The annual jury questionnaire process enables the circuit court to establish a qualified pool of jurors who may be summonsed to serve jury duty in 2023. While the questionnaire process is beginning now, those citizens who are deemed qualified to serve as jurors will not be called to serve jury duty until calendar year 2023.

"The jury questionnaire postcard is not a summons for jury duty," said Clemens. "The questionnaire process is simply the first step to determine who is qualified to fulfill jury service in calendar year 2023."

Clemens is requesting that citizens who receive a jury questionnaire postcard take the time to read and complete the questionnaire online by using the secure website link to access the online process. There are instructions in the questionnaire postcard to assist recipients who may not be able to complete the process online.

More information about jury duty and the juror questionnaires may be found at loudoun.gov/jury. More information about the services offered by the Clerk of the Circuit Court may be found at loudoun.gov/clerk.

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration with NVM This Saturday

New Virginia Majority Loudoun will host their Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration this Saturday, September 17th from 2:30 - 4:30 pm.

This will be a cultural event to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, highlighting the contributions of the Hispanic community to Loudoun County and Northern Virginia. The community will come together with New Virginia Majority members, supporters, and elected officials to celebrate Hispanic culture and to recognize the challenges that the Hispanic community is facing.



Join us to celebrate
Hispanic Heritage Month

Special guests
Raices Hondureñas

Saturday September 17th * 2:30 pm - 4:30pm

Sterling Community Center
120 Enterprise St, Sterling, VA 20164
Music, traditional foods, and more!
More information: contact Sofia 703-863-9509

The celebration will take place at the Sterling Community Center gymnasium, located at 120 Enterprise St, Sterling, VA 20164.

Community Encouraged to Comment on Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan

Northern Virginia Hazard Mitigation Plan

Build community resilience
to disasters by providing
comments on the proposed
Northern Virginia
Hazard Mitigation Plan.



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View the plan: loudoun.gov/oem

The Loudoun [Office of Emergency Management](#) encourages residents and business owners in Loudoun County to help build community resilience to disasters by providing comments on the proposed [Northern Virginia Hazard Mitigation Plan](#).

The plan is a multi-jurisdictional plan that includes Loudoun County and its incorporated towns as well as other Northern Virginia jurisdictions, including Arlington, Fairfax and Prince William counties.

The plan identifies strategies for reducing or eliminating loss of life, injury and property damage caused by disasters as well as the long-term risks that result from hazards such as floods, severe storms, tornadoes, wildfires and winter weather.

In addition to preventing loss of life and injury and damage to buildings and infrastructure, hazard mitigation can prevent damage to a community's economic, social and environmental well-being.

Members of the community can participate in the mitigation planning process by submitting their comments on the plan by 5:00 p.m., October 8, 2022, [by email](#).

Early Voting for November Election Begins September 23 in Loudoun

Loudoun County election officials remind voters of important dates and deadlines for the upcoming general election on Tuesday, November 8, 2022.

- **Friday, September 23:** First day of [early voting](#)

at the Office of Elections and Voter Registration, 750 Miller Dr. SE, Suite C, Leesburg, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday -Friday.

- **Monday, October 17:** Last day to [register to vote](#).
- **Monday, October 24:** In-person early voting expands to [additional locations](#).
- **Friday, October 28:** Last day to [request a ballot by mail](#).
- **Saturday, November 5:** Last day for [early voting](#).
- **Tuesday, November 8:** [Election Day](#); In-person voting, 6:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

November Election Important Dates

Early Voting for
November Election
Begins September 23

SEPTEMBER
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Deadline to Register to Vote
is October 17

OCTOBER
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More information:
loudoun.gov/NovemberElection



What's on the Ballot

Offices on the November 8, 2022, general election ballot in Loudoun County will include the 10th Congressional District seat, Loudoun County School Board members for the Broad Run and Leesburg Districts, mayor and town council in Hamilton, Hillsboro, Leesburg, Lovettsville and Purcellville and a town council seat in Round Hill. Three county government bond questions will also be on the ballot.

Stay Informed

- Text LCVOTES to [888777](tel:888777) to receive text alerts from the Loudoun County Office of Elections and Voter Registration or sign up for the Election Update category through [Alert Loudoun](#), the county's email and text notification system.

- Follow the Office of Elections and Voter Registration on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). Loudoun County Government also posts general information on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

More information about the November 8, 2022, general election, including links to sample ballots, is online at loudoun.gov/novemberelection.

Upcoming Events with Loudoun County Area Agency on Aging



Tai Ji Quan - Movement for Better Balance®

The Loudoun County Area Agency on Aging offers Tai Ji Quan - Movement for Better Balance® - to promote better balance, coordination, strength, activity and independence for seniors. A research-

based balance training, Tai Ji Quan has its roots in the martial arts and uses those movements in a recreational form to address limited mobility and other functional impairments for seniors of all abilities.

The program begins on September 19, 2022, meeting on Mondays and Wednesdays from 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the [Senior Center of Leesburg](#) located at 102 North Street, N.W. Leesburg, VA 20176. The program is \$48 for 24 sessions.

- [Register here on WebTrac](#)

For more information about the Loudoun County Area Agency on Aging, visit loudoun.gov/aaa or call 703-737-8036.

County Offers Art Workshop for Caregivers of Seniors

The Area Agency on Aging will facilitate a group for caregivers to experience an afternoon of communal art and empathy. The group will practice art forms and techniques together while having the opportunity to relate and build relationships with other caregivers with similar experiences.

The program will take place on Saturday, September 24, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. at the [Ashburn Senior Center](#) located at 20880 Marblehead Drive, Ashburn, VA, 20147.

All workshop attendees will receive a Caregiver Art Starter Pack, which will allow them — after the workshop — to take advantage of the relaxing benefits that practicing art provides. Art supplies and a boxed lunch will be provided.

To register for this free program, [email the Area Agency on Aging](#) or call [571-258-3490](tel:571-258-3490).

For more information about the Loudoun County Area Agency on Aging, visit loudoun.gov/aaa or call [703-737-8036](tel:703-737-8036).

Loudoun County Seeks Volunteers to Serve on Loudoun Health Commission

The [Loudoun Health Commission](#) has a critical need for volunteer members interested in helping efforts to improve the health of the community. Anyone interested in serving on the Health Commission is encouraged to

Opportunity to Serve Your Community



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loudoun.gov/advisory

visit loudoun.gov/advisory for information on how to apply.

At full capacity, the commission has nine voting members who are appointed by the Board of Supervisors and needs a majority of those members for a quorum. There are currently openings for four members.

"Health Commission members play an important role in advising the Board of Supervisors about public health needs in the county. The commission also provides a forum for health care providers, businesses, government and education leaders to exchange ideas," said Loudoun County Health Department Director Dr. David Goodfriend. "With the Board's recent disbanding of the Lyme Disease Commission, the Health Commission will also be taking on the responsibility of increasing awareness about Lyme disease prevention in the county."

Loudoun County encourages residents to become actively involved in their county government by serving on the advisory boards, commissions and committees that advise the Board of Supervisors on a variety of topics.

A comprehensive listing of advisory boards, commissions and committees and current opportunities to serve may be found on the county website at loudoun.gov/advisory.

Next Session of Online Initiative to Develop Fatherhood Skills Begins October 4

National Fatherhood initiative®

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Free, virtual

12-week program

Tuesdays | 6 - 8:00 p.m.

Starting October 4, 2022



Become an even stronger dad.

Register now at loudoun.gov/fatherhood

The next session of the program sponsored by the Loudoun County Department of Family Services to help fathers build skills to become even stronger dads begins Tuesday, October 4, 2022. All fathers are welcome to attend the free, 12-week virtual program.

Area fathers are encouraged to register for the National Fatherhood Initiative's 24/7 Dad® program to strengthen their relationships with their children. The virtual workshops will take place weekly on Tuesdays, beginning October 4, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Early registration is encouraged as space is limited.

Developed by parenting experts, the 24/7 Dad program teaches fathering techniques and strategies, provides fathers with peer support and guidance and allows fathers the opportunity to discover their own parenting strengths. To register, [sign up online](#) or contact Luther Miller [by email](#) or 703-737-8188. Information is also available at loudoun.gov/fatherhood.

If you require an accommodation to participate in this program, contact the department at 703-737-8237. Three days' notice is requested.

THIS WEEKEND: WUSA9 #EnvironmentMatters Recycling Day

It's time to get rid of all those old electronics and documents that you don't need anymore! WUSA9 Recycle Day kicks off THIS SATURDAY, September 17th from 7:00 AM-12:00 PM!

WUSA9's Recycle Day is a no-fuss, easy way to free up space at home or at work - and keep your stuff out of landfills in the process. Plus, it's FREE!

Drop off your electronics or paper documents for secure shredding and recycling.

WUSA9 has 3 drop-off locations in Maryland and Virginia:

- National Harbor-The Plateau Lot, National Harbor Blvd & American Way, National Harbor, MD 20745
- **The Dulles Town Center, 21100 Dulles Town Cir, Sterling, VA 20166**
- Washington Gas Springfield Operations Center, 6801 Industrial Road, Springfield, VA 22151



Next Recycle Day Event

WHEN: Wednesday, September 21, 2022

WHAT: WUSA9 #EnvironmentMatters Fall Recycle Day

TIME: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

HOW: Shredding Paper and Collecting Electronics

SPONSORS: Washington Area Toyota Dealers and Washington Gas

WHERE: Reston Town Center, 11951 Freedom Drive, Reston, VA 20190

Insight Memory Care's Memory Cafes



The Memory Café is an opportunity for care partners and their loved one to meet with others for support, companionship, and fun! Each session provides structured activities to promote reminiscence, cognition, and engagement. There is also time to share in conversation and get to know others in a safe, supportive environment.

Sterling Memory Cafe

Second Thursdays at 4:00 pm

45945 Center Oak Plaza, Suite 190, Sterling, VA 20166

October 20, 2022

- Happy Halloween! They will discuss a short history of Halloween, the do some mini pumpkin painting and decorating. Feel free to wear your spookiest costume!

November 10, 2022

- Join Insight for a field trip to the Loudoun Heritage Farm Museum in Claude Moore Park!

December 8, 2022

- Get crafty with Insight! We'll make and decorate bird seed wreaths to hang outside.

Fairfax Memory Cafe

Third Wednesdays at 4:00 pm
3955 Pender Drive, Suite 100, Fairfax, VA 22030

September 21, 2022

- Give your luck a spin as we play a musical version of the classic Wheel of Fortune game!

October 19, 2022

- It's pumpkin season! Join us for some fun pumpkin painting and decorating - no carving skills required!

November 16, 2022

- What are you thankful for? Join us to discuss family celebrations, traditions, and special foods! We will decorate plaques to bring home.

December 21, 2022

- Wind down the year with us as we look forward to an exciting 2023!

Let Insight know you're coming!

Insight welcomes you to join at anytime. If you know in advance that you'll be attending, please register at InsightMCC.org/events - this helps ensure they have enough program materials and supplies for everyone!

Questions? Want to learn more? Visit InsightMCC.org/memorycafe to learn more about these cafes and other local offerings.

**Workforce Resource Center Events for
Workforce Development Month**

During September — Workforce Development Month — the Loudoun Workforce Resource Center will feature special virtual and in-person events at no cost for job seekers and people who are considering changing careers.



The in-person events will take place at the Workforce Resource Center at 705 E. Market Street, Suite E in Leesburg and at several Loudoun County Public Library branches.

Visit loudoun.gov/workforcemonth for detailed information about each event and how to register.

Remaining events include:

Resumes and Cover Letters: Make Yours Stand Out (Three sessions)

- Tuesday, September 20, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Rust Library, 380 Old Waterford Road NW, Leesburg
- Tuesday, September 27, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Gum Spring Library, 24600 Millstream Drive, Stone Ridge

10 Crucial Steps for Success in IT

- Wednesday, September 14, 1:00 – 2:00 p.m., Virtual

Virtual Job Fair

- Saturday, September 17, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Virtual

LinkedIn Profile Headshot Photography (by appointment only – two sessions)

- Monday, September 19, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Workforce Resource Center
- Tuesday, September 20, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Workforce Resource Center

Myers-Briggs Type Indicator® (MTBI®)

- Wednesday, September 21, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Where's the Remote Work in Northern Virginia?

- Thursday, September 22, 10:00 – 10:45 a.m., Virtual

Avoiding Remote Work Scams

- Monday, September 26, 10:00 – 11:00 a.m., Virtual

Your Transition Mindset

- Wednesday, September 28, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m., Virtual

Register today at loudoun.gov/wrc.

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