Maggie Wray with her son Jake, 3, who won the Little Liberty contest in this year's Fourth of July celebration in Great Falls.
Where to Give Locally

List of Nonprofits in Fairfax County

❖ Cornerstones, 11350 Sunset Hills Road, Suite 210, Reston, serving Reston and Herndon. 571-323-9555, www.cornerstonesva.org. Nonprofit providing support and advocacy for those in need of food, shelter, affordable housing, quality childcare, and other human services. Programs and services include the Emby Rucker Community Shelter, Emergency Food Pantry, Hypothermia Prevention Program, Thanksgiving Food Drive, Gifts for Kids and annual Coat Drive. Alicia Earley at 573-323-9568 or alicia.earley@cornerstonesva.org.

❖ SHARE of McLean operates a food pantry, provides assistance to families to avoid eviction, keep utilities on and meet other needs in a crisis. Share of McLean will also provide holiday assistance to more than 250 needy families this year. ShareWishes@gmail.com for more information. Visit www.shareofmclean.org

❖ Herndon-Reston FISH (Friendly Instant Sympathetic Help), 336 Victory Drive, Herndon, 703-391-0305 herndonrestonfish.org Herndon-Reston FISH has assisted local residents in short term crises by since 1969. FISH provides Friendly Instant Sympathetic Help by responding to emergency requests for rent, transportation, utilities, medical prescriptions and other needs. FISH operates The Bargain Loft, a thrift store, which needs donations of good quality saleable items, accepting and selling art, furniture, jewelry, household linens, dishes, pots and pans, books, women’s designer clothing (clean and on hangers), puzzles, games, collectibles, small electronics and much more. If you have store questions, call 703-437-0600. Herndon-Reston FISH also provides Holiday Food & Gift Baskets during the November and December season.

❖ LINK, serving Herndon, Chantilly, Loudoun and more. Every year the goal is to provide each family with a week’s worth of non-perishable food in November and again in December. When funds allow, grocery gift cards are also included. In November, clients also receive a voucher for coats and warm clothing. In December, children 16 and under receive gifts. holiday@linkagainsthunger.org. 703-437-1776 www.linkagainsthunger.org

❖ Committee for Helping Others (CHO), Vienna, organized in 1969 by a group of churches and individuals in the Dunn Loring, Merrifield, Oakton, Vienna community to provide simple, loving charity to those in need. Last year 450 children

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Newcomers and Community Guide

My Last Welcome Letter for Connection Newcomers

By Sharon Bulova, Chairman, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors

When I was first elected to the Board of Supervisors in 1987 the Braddock District was called Annandale. Fairfax County’s population (now 1.15 million) was approximately 746,600. There was no VRE (Virginia Railway Express Commuter Rail System) nor was there a Springfield Franconia Metro Station or a Fairfax County Parkway. When I took office as a freshman Supervisor in January 1988, Fairfax County was, for the most part, a rapidly growing suburban bedroom community. Tysons was still just a shopping mall. I will be retiring at the end of December, after serving 31 years on the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors — 11 years as Chairman and 20 years before that as the Braddock District Supervisor. What I have come to understand over these many years is that the one thing you can be certain of is that things will change. Indeed, a lot has changed over that span of time. During the past decade while I have had the honor to serve you as Chairman, Fairfax County has:

❖ Navigated the financial crises caused by the Great Recession with the County’s coveted triple A bond rating by all three rating agencies still intact;
❖ Welcomed Metro’s Silver Line to Tysons and Reston, with a station at Dulles Airport to open next year;
❖ Ushered in new land use plans for Tysons and other aging commercial and industrial areas of the County in need of revitalization;
❖ Reengineered our police policies to include more transparency and de-escalation tactics with a focus on the sanctity of life;
❖ Created Diversion First, a program for people with mental illness or developmental disabilities, experiencing an encounter with law enforcement to receive treatment instead of incarceration;
❖ Updated the County’s Environmental Vision to include a new focus on Energy Efficiency and Climate;
❖ Strengthened collaboration between the Board of Supervisors and the School Board in the areas of budget development, land use planning and joint environmental initiatives;
❖ Reduced homelessness by nearly 50% employing a Housing First strategy to put a roof over homeless individuals’ heads and connecting them to resources needed to help them get back on their feet;
❖ Lastly, and most importantly, our Board, in partnership with the School Board, established One Fairfax, a social and racial equity compact, to ensure that ALL residents of Fairfax County have access to equitable opportunities for success.

I have been deeply honored to serve the residents of Fairfax County for these many years. I will really miss this job! Jurisdictions throughout the country look to Fairfax County as a leader and innovator, and I am proud, working with my colleagues on the Board and our excellent County staff, to have led our county to where it is today. Fairfax County is an awesome place, with a culture of engagement, acceptance of different cultures and backgrounds and a willingness to work together to resolve conflicts. Fairfax County is poised for many exciting opportunities ahead. I am confident the next Board of Supervisors, in partnership with members of the community, will continue the positive momentum we are known for.

Rich Heritage and Strong Sense of Community

Supervisor welcomes newcomers to Dranesville District.

By Supervisor John W. Foust, Dranesville District

The Dranesville District includes McLean, Great Falls, Herndon and some areas of Vienna and Falls Church and has about 125,000 residents. It runs from the Arlington County border to the Loudoun County border along the beautiful Potomac River. Herndon is a quintessential small American town with a rich heritage and strong sense of community. It also has a vibrant transit area developing around a new Metro station that will open soon.

McLean is an active community with some of the most beautiful neighborhoods in the Metropolitan region. Only a few miles from Tysons and the Dulles Corridor, Great Falls is a semi-rural community where residents actively participate in preserving its history and protecting its environment. Dranesville includes some of the best County and National parks in the region including Riverbend Park, Great Falls Park, and Scotts Run Nature Preserve. The District is also home to numerous excellent public schools including the high achieving and highly regarded Langley, McLean, and Herndon High Schools. Throughout the District, there are excellent libraries and active arts communities. All three communities have outdoor summer concert series and old-fashioned farmers’ markets. The introduction of Metro’s Silver Line has provided an alternative to the automobile for Dranesville residents. Expansion of the Silver Line to Dulles Airport and into Loudoun, scheduled to open in 2020, will make traveling that much easier. The excellent schools, parks and libraries, lovely neighborhoods, active youth sports and arts programs, and its active, interesting and friendly residents make Dranesville an excellent place to live, raise a family, and do business.

Fairfax County, and especially Tysons and the Dulles Corridor, continue to grow and provide excellent business and employment opportunities for Dranesville residents. Our downtown in the coming years is to ensure that the growth is balanced with expanded public facilities and public services so that future generations will be able to enjoy living in Dranesville as much as the past and current residents have enjoyed making their homes here.

Welcome to the Dranesville District. It has been my honor to represent Dranesville residents on the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors for the past 12 years. I look forward to continuing to support our community.

See Dranesville Challenge.
**Must-see Places in Dranesville District**

We are fortunate to have many wonderful parks, historical features, and community events in the Dranesville District. The following are some of my favorites.

**Clemyjontri Park:** Since opening in 2006, more than 200,000 visitors have enjoyed this unique playground where children of all abilities can play side-by-side. Equipment allows children who have physical, sensory, or developmental disabilities to have a parallel playground experience of fun and exploration. The park also includes a carousel, picnic pavilion, and new trackless train. The parking lot has recently been expanded so more visitors can enjoy the park.  
6317 Georgetown Pike, McLean

**Riverbend Park:** This park offers more than 400 acres of forests, meadows, and ponds. Trails include a 2.5-mile portion of the Potomac Heritage Trail that links national and regional parkland. Kayaking, canoeing, and fishing are all available on the Potomac River. Another reason to visit Riverbend Park is to take advantage of the recently completed Outdoor Education Classroom/Picnic Shelter that opened this spring.  
8700 Potomac Hills, Great Falls

**Colvin Run Mill Historic Site:** Colvin Run Mill offers visitors a chance to step back in time. There are tours of the restored mill, which was built around 1811. A general store offers stone ground cornmeal, wheat flour, grits, “penny candy,” snacks, and drinks. Trails are available for quiet walks. Live music, craft demonstrations, ice cream making, and seasonal activities are offered from February through December.  
10017 Colvin Run, Great Falls

**Turner Farm:** Originally the site of a dairy farm, the 52-acre park offers a unique mix of educational and recreational facilities. Observatory Park offers the public a chance to see the night sky from one of Fairfax County’s darkest spots through permanently mounted telescopes. The Analemma Society partners with the Park Authority to provide astronomy programs at the observatory. Equestrians can enjoy a cross country course and a large multi-purpose arena with stadium jumps and dressage markers. Small children can enjoy a tot lot. Under the Park Authority’s Resident Curator Program, the historic Turner Farmhouse has been restored and is now occupied by the Turner Farmhouse Foundation, under the direction of Sarah Kirk.  
925 Springvale Road, Great Falls

**Runnymede Park:** The Town of Herndon owns and maintains this 58-acre park. It is the site for many community–nature-related events such as the annual NatureFest, the Spring Native Plant Sale, and the Fall Native Plant Sale. Situated near the Sugarland Run Stream, the park attracts more than 100 species of bird, deer, fox, and other wildlife. Guided walks are offered to highlight the wildlife on the trails. Two park shelters are available for rent.  
196 Herndon Parkway, Herndon

**MPAartfest:** Every October, the McLean Project for the Arts converts McLean Central Park into a free, one-day festival of the arts. Thousands of area residents attend. Vendor tents display the works of numerous juried artists, which are complemented by the exhibitions of children’s and seniors’ artwork, an Open Studio demonstration, and performances by local musicians.  
McLean Central Park, 1468 Dolley Madison Blvd., McLean

**McLean Day:** Sponsored by the McLean Community Center, McLean Day is held on the third Saturday in May. The festival features live entertainment, carnival rides, exhibitions, and delicious foods for visitors of all ages. The event also includes booths where artisans, local businesses, civic organizations, nonprofit groups, and local officials showcase their wares.  
1659 Chain Bridge Road, McLean

**Herndon Festival:** Held in late May, the Herndon Festival offers something for the whole family. The festival features two entertainment stages, 10K and 5K races, carnival rides, hands-on arts and activities, food vendors, fireworks, and more. Enjoy four days of fun-filled activities and entertainment.  
200 Spring Street, Herndon

**Great Falls Freedom Memorial:** The Great Falls Freedom Memorial was created in 2004 to honor all who have served our country. The Freedom Memorial hosts annual ceremonies, on Memorial Day, September 11, and Veterans’ Day, as well as a 5K race on July 4. It is a special place to pay respects to and remember those who have served and sacrificed for our country.  
9830 Georgetown Pike in Great Falls (Behind the Great Falls Library)

**Herndon Friday Night Live:** Friday nights during the summer, Friday Night Live concerts are held on the Herndon Town Green. Concerts are free and feature popular local and regional acts. Most featured bands play rock and roll covers from classic to modern rock, but country and original music are also included for good measure.  
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Here in our Newcomers and Community Guide, we include details of how to vote in the upcoming elections, information on local and regional fairs and festivals, plus tips and tidbits from the community.

We invite newcomers and long-time residents alike to let us know how we’re doing and let us know what is going on in your part of the community. If you have questions or ideas, send us an email. We invite you to send letters to the editor or to send an email with feedback about our coverage.

We want to know if someone in your family or your community published a book, started a business, became an Eagle Scout, raised money for a good cause, accomplished some feat like running a marathon, supporting a cause or having art included in an art show. We publish photos and notes about personal milestones and community events, including births, engagements, weddings, anniversaries, awards and obituaries.

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We also publish notes about news and events from local businesses. Notes about openings, new employees and anniversaries are welcome. It is especially important to us to let people know about events ahead of time in our calendar of events. We appreciate getting notice at least two weeks ahead of the event, and we encourage photos.

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Second Story — Abused and Homeless Children’s Refuge, 2100 Gallows Road, Vienna, VA 22182, 703-506-9191. Second Story (formerly Alternative House) provides shelter and services for homeless, runaway or abused teenagers, unaccompanied youth, and young mothers and their children. Requests for food and clothing are up more than 50 percent. secondstory.org.

Shepherd’s Center of Oakton Vienna providing services, personal enrichment, volunteer opportunities for adults 50 and over. Currently serving 3,000+ mature adults in the region, 703-281-0538, www.scov.org

Western Fairfax Christian Ministries — food pantry at 13981 Metrotech Drive in Chantilly. For more information or to sponsor a family, call 703-988-9656. To mail gift cards or send donations by check, add a note saying “food basket program” and send them to: WFCM, P.O. Box 220802, Chantilly, VA 20153. 703-988-9656

HomeAid builds and renovates facilities that house the homeless, and partners with many local organizations to do so. 3684 Centerview Drive, Suite 110B, Chantilly, VA 20151. www.homeaidnova.org/

FACETS helps parents, their children and individuals who suffer the effects of poverty in the Fairfax area, a partner in efforts to end homelessness in Fairfax County. FACETS is always in need of volunteers, and offers a variety of one-time and ongoing opportunities. 703-865-4251 or volunteer@facecstares.org. www.facetscares.org. 10640 Page Ave., Suite 300, Fairfax VA 22030

Britepaths Guidance families to a brighter future. For 35 years, Britepaths, formerly Our Daily Bread, has been developing sustainable solutions to stabilize low-income working families, build resilience through financial literacy and mentoring, and provide seasonal supports. “Give Instead Gala” is Sept. 26. 395 North Fender Drive, Suite 200, Fairfax, VA 22039; 703-273-8829 Email info@britepaths.org

Fairfax City Area FISH (For Immediate Sympathetic Help) helps local people who are in temporary need of life’s basic necessities such as food, clothing, and financial assistance for rent, mortgage payments, utilities, and medical treatments. FISH also provides limited transportation for doctor appointments and food delivery. 703-322-0880 fairfaxfsh.org/

Lamb Center, www.thelambcenter.org, day center for homeless, Fairfax 703-691-3178.

Food for Others provides a safety net for people who suddenly face unforeseen emergencies such as a family illness or the loss of a job or a spouse. Located at 2938 Prosperity Ave., Fairfax, VA 22031, 703-207-9173. 2938 Prosperity Ave. info@foodforothers.org Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. www.foodforothers.org

Ecumenical Community Helping Others (ECHO), 703-569-9160. Open to receive donations at 7295 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield. Provides food and financial assistance to those in short-term emergencies, and provides clothing and household goods to low-income families, helping more than 5,000

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Major Projects Underway

There are many projects, studies, and programs underway throughout the Dranesville District. Below, I have highlighted a few that are nearing completion or that will be getting started next year.

❖ Balls Hill/Georgetown Pike Intersection

Work is well underway on a project to improve the intersection of Georgetown Pike and Balls Hill Road in McLean, one of the most congested areas in the Dranesville District. Following requests from community members, and advocacy from local and state elected officials, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) began work this summer on a project that will add a much-needed left-turn lane to northbound Balls Hill Road at its intersection with Georgetown Pike. Adding the left-turn lane will allow residents traveling north across Georgetown Pike to do so in their own through lane.

Although not expected to resolve all congestion at this intersection, the project will give residents to the north and east of the intersection a way to their homes without mixing with the Beltway-bound traffic turning left at the intersection.

This project includes pavement widening and minor signal, striping, drainage, and signage changes. “Work on this project will be completed before school begins this fall.”

❖ Georgetown Pike Trail and Dolley Madison Sidewalk

Several important sidewalk and trail connections are underway or have been completed in the last year.

In Great Falls, two projects will add asphalt trail along Georgetown Pike, between Falls Chase Court and Seneca Road. With the completion of these segments later this year, pedestrians and bicyclists will be able to walk/ride safely along Georgetown Pike from the Village Centre to Route 7.

Proximity to the Metro is an important benefit of living in McLean. However, it is not always easy or safe to walk to a station. Fairfax County is helping to address this challenge with a project to construct a sidewalk along Rt. 123/Dolley Madison Blvd. from the Great Falls Street/Lewinsville Road intersection to the McLean Metro station. The project is expected to be completed in spring 2020.

❖ Jones Branch Connector

The Jones Branch Connector is being completed by VDOT in cooperation with Fairfax County. It will provide an important new link from Route 123, over the Capital Beltway (I-495), to Jones Branch Drive in

Tysons. The new connection will improve local traffic and access for drivers, in addition to offering a great option for area bicyclists and pedestrians. By providing an alternate route across the Beltway and linking the Tysons East and Central areas, the Connector is expected to relieve traffic along Route 123, at the I-495 interchange, and at other congested intersections. One travel lane in each direction opened last December. The project is expected to be fully completed in fall 2019. It will include two travel lanes and on-street bike lanes in each direction, 8- to 12-foot-wide lighted sidewalks, landscaping and other streetscape amenities, and a wide, raised median to accommodate future transit options, such as a circulator-bus route.

❖ Hutchison Elementary Crosswalk

The Hutchison Elementary School community celebrated the opening of the Outdoor Education Classroom/Picnic Shelter at Riverbend Park.

Fairfax County Park Authority representatives, and community members celebrated the opening of the Outdoor Education Classroom/Picnic Shelter at Riverbend Park.

Aerial view of progress on the Jones Branch Connector as of July 2019. Photo courtesy of VDOT

Supervisor Foust with Town of Herndon Mayor Lisa Merkel, Town Council Member Bill McKenna, Redevelopment and Housing Authority Board Member Melissa Jonas, and former Town Council Member Grace Wolf Cunningham at Friday Night Live! in June 2018.

Since then, Supervisor Foust formed a task force comprising McLean area residents and civic group representatives. It has been working with County staff to translate community input into recommendations for changes to the Comprehensive Plan. The task force has been meeting monthly to discuss a variety of topics, including transportation, environment, and public facilities. Recommendations will be based on the community's vision and will consider the submitted suggestions for land use changes. All Task Force meetings are open to the public.

These recommendations will be presented to the community at a meeting later this year or in early 2020. Conversations with residents and stakeholders will continue as the planning effort proceeds. Within the next year, the recommendations will be fully vetted by the community and then go to the Board of Supervisors for approval.
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The Assistance League of Northern Virginia is an all-volunteer, nonprofit organization that feeds, clothes and educates children in need. Assistance League’s philanthropic programs touch the lives of thousands of children at 11 Title I schools in Northern Virginia, serving children most in need at selected schools in Fairfax and Prince William counties and the City of Alexandria. To learn more about volunteer and sponsorship opportunities, contact alnorthernva@gmail.com or visit www.northernvirginia.assistanceleague.org.

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Shelter House provides crisis intervention, safe housing and supportive services to promote self-sufficiency for homeless families and victims of domestic violence in Fairfax County. www.shelterhouse.org/get-involved/

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“Vroom, vroom!” go the cars at Katie’s Coffeehouse. I take my son, Luke, there early one morning to look at matching red vintage Lamborghinis, our mouths agape with matching awe. After an iced coffee for me and a chocolate milk for him, we head home; later that afternoon, we take our own vehicles, albeit of the quieter, mountain terrain sort, and bike softly into the woods a little past our own backyard. There are trails extending for miles, taking us to the Potomac River, River Bend Park, and even into the city if we so wished it. My son’s destination: the hot dog and ice cream shop at Great Falls Park, and off we go into the wilderness, where in a greater metropolitan area of over three million, the only creatures we encounter are deer and squirrels, and all the only noise we hear are the choir of summer cicadas cheering—or, chirping—as we along.

“One of the best things about living in Great Falls is its close proximity to nature. With large yards and gardens, homes can both dominate or disappear into the natural scenery. However, just drive through the two-lane country roads that meander around the neighborhood, and you are guaranteed to pass several horse farms, a few deer, and possibly even a Michelin rated French auberge, Chez Francois. Families choose to live in Great Falls because it offers a quiet and safe oasis from the hustle and bustle of busy professional lives in Tysons, Washington and beyond. Yes, residents and commuters have to battle the traffic on the Pike every day, but knowing that what awaits them at home is the serenity of the forest life, a street where kids have the freedom to play outside all day, and being at least twenty minutes away from any big box store makes it all worthwhile.

The center of town in Great Falls is called the Village, for goodness sakes! And in spite of all the eager developers and recent construction, Great Falls strives to maintain that village ideal. The long-time residents here strive to keep the memory of Great Falls alive, when it was just a small farming outpost (albeit with a Nike missile base). Just pop into Colvin Run Mill, the old Turner Farm, or the Grange, and you’ll see what I’m talking about. Of course, like all of greater Washington, the Great Falls village has grown and evolved, but with events like the Art Walk, Movies on the Green, and celebrations during Halloween, Easter, and Christmas, it has become a gathering spot for a new generation.

The Great Falls Citizens Association plays a large role in maintaining the rural, country-like feel of the community. Its committees and board meet monthly to discuss issues such as schools, zoning and land use, traffic calming, and, of course, keeping the...
Putting Down Roots

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parks that make Great Falls so special healthy and flourishing. Its current efforts include seeking responsible development, restoring stream integrity, reducing traffic on the Pike, and giving residents a stronger voice with the county’s school board.

More than anything, Great Falls represents the merging of the old and the new of the Washington area, both its tension and its harmony. Some people have lived here for more than fifty years, while newcomers are moving in this summer. “The greatest attestation of Great Falls’ magnetism to me, however, are the people who grew up here years ago and have moved back with their own spouses and families. In the ever transient world of Washington, the roots of Great Falls grow deep and run strong.

The writer is Co-chair, Great Falls Citizens Association Communications Committee

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Ed. R. Martin (R)

Huntler Mill District
Walter L. Acorn (D) unopposed

Lee District
Rodney L. lush (D) unopposed

Mason District
Penelope A. “Penny” Gross (D) incumbent
Gary N. Aiken (R)

Mount Vernon District
Daniel G. “Dan” Storek (D) incumbent, unopposed

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Springfield District
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District 37
David L. Bulova (D), incumbent, unopposed

District 38
L. Kaye Kory (D), incumbent, unopposed

District 39
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District 37
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District 39
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S. W. "Dutch" Hillenburg (R)
Fairs & Festivals

September 2019

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2
Herndon Labor Day Festival. 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. at Herndon Town Green, 777 Lynn St., Herndon. Great music, a craft show, food, 12 wineries and micro-brews and culinary demonstrations. Visit herndonva.gov/remedy/special-events/labor-day-festival for more.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7-8
Burke Centre Festival. 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. at Burke Centre Conservancy 4600 Burke Centre Parkway Burke. Festival includes an arts & craft fair, festival food vendors, amusement rides, pony rides, musical entertainment provided by local and nationally recognized performers, nature shows, after-hours Wine Garden. Visit www.burkecentreweb.com. 1 703-481-0646.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
Dulles Day Plane Pull. At Dulles International Airport, Dulles. The 2019 Dulles Day Family Festival & Plane Pull is a full day of excitement with airplane and auto shows, the children’s zone and bus pull, varied displays and activities, vendors, food and entertainment. Visit www.planepull.com for more.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
Reston Multicultural Festival. 11 a.m. – 6 p.m., Lake Anne Plaza, Reston. The Reston Multicultural Festival celebrates all the entertainment, dance, food, and cultural treasures from all over the world that are all here in Reston. Rain or shine. Free. Visit www.restoncommunitycenter.com/attend shows-events/exhibits/reston-multicultural-festival for more.

October 2019

THURSDAY-SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10-12
Fairfax’s Fall for the Book Festival. 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Enjoy literature and hear authors give readings at the Fall for the Book Festival. Visit www.fallforthebook.com for more.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5
Taste of Annandale. 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Tom Davis Drive in central Annandale, between Columbia Pike and John Marshall Drive. The 8th annual Taste of Annandale will show local restaurants during a daylong family-friendly celebration. Taste and shop at building communities, engaging young people, and promoting local businesses. Other activities include a SK, multicultural music, dance, and other live entertainment; a chili cook-off; and much more. Visit tasteofannandale.com for more.

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November 2019

Fridays, NOV. 29
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December 2019

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7
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April 2020

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May 2020

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Thursday, May 28-31
Herndon Festival 2020. Thursday, 6-10 p.m.; Friday, 5-11 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-11 p.m.; and Sunday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Federal Credit Union, 200 Spring St., Herndon. Food, music, rides, children’s entertainment stages, two fireworks displays, Kid’s Alley with children’s arts area, arts and crafts show and more. All ages. Visit www.herndonfestival.net for more.

June 2020

Fairfax County 4-H Fair and Carnival. Enjoy old-fashioned family fun with carnival games, rides and tempting foods. Friday features the free Big Truck Night event from 5-7:30 p.m. “No Horn” hour is from 5-6 p.m. Tractor Pull at 4 p.m. on Saturday. Stop by the 4-H Fair throughout the weekend as exhibitors display their winning entries and get their farm animals ready to show. Try a turn at farm chores, watch stage entertainment and enjoy horse and livestock shows. 2709 Folly Road, Herndon. Admission to the 4-H Fair and Carnival is free; $10 per car parking fee on Saturday and Sunday. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/flying-pan-park/4-4-h-fair for details.

July 2020


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