



## Weekly Newsflash

January 25, 2023

### Clerk of Circuit Court Offers Black History Program February 25

#### Black History Month Program

**Navigating Slavery:  
The Goose Creek Meeting &  
The Hopkins Family**

**February 25, 2023, 2:00 p.m.  
Goose Creek Meeting House  
18204 Lincoln Road, Purcellville**



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Loudoun Clerk of the Circuit Court Gary M. Clemens is pleased to announce that the Clerk's historic records team is offering a special Black History program in recognition of Black History Month in February. The program, "Navigating Slavery: The Goose Creek Meeting and the Hopkins Family," is scheduled for 2:00 p.m., Saturday, February 25, 2023, at the Goose Creek Meeting House, 18204 Lincoln Road in Purcellville.

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The program will include presentations by scholars from Johns Hopkins University and members of the Clerk's historic records team. The program will offer discussions related to the Hopkins family's role in relation to slavery and the Goose Creek Meeting's (Quaker community) view of slavery in Loudoun County.

The program is presented by the Loudoun Clerk of the Circuit Court, Goose Creek Friends, Johns Hopkins University and the Black History Committee of the Friends of the Thomas Balch Library. The program is free to the public. For more information about the program, contact the Clerk of Circuit Court's Historic Records and Deed Research Division at [703-737-8775](tel:703-737-8775) or [via email](#).

More information about the Clerk's Historic Records and Deed Research Division may be found at [loudoun.gov/clerkarchives](http://loudoun.gov/clerkarchives).

## Board of Supervisors Adopts New Precinct Boundaries and Polling Places

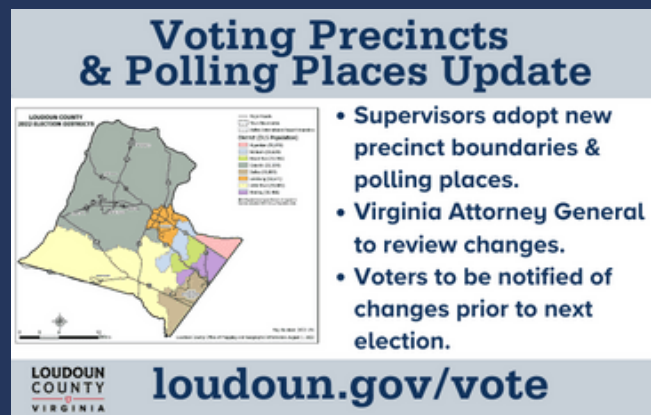
During its January 17, 2023, meeting, the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors adopted amendments to the Codified Ordinances of Loudoun County, [Chapter 209, Voting Precincts and Polling Places](#), which revise the county's precinct boundaries and polling places. The revised ordinance will now be

submitted to Virginia's Attorney General for a "Certificate of No Objection," which is a certification process required by law.

Once certified by the Commonwealth of Virginia, the Loudoun County Office of Elections and Voter Registration will implement the precinct and polling place changes later this year. As a result, some Loudoun voters will cast their in-person ballots in new locations beginning in the next election. The Office of Elections and Voter Registration will notify voters by mail of changes in their precincts and polling places prior to the next election.

The changes to the ordinance, which are highlighted in the [January 17 staff report](#), include:


- Precinct changes to accommodate new Senate, House of Delegates, and County election district lines.
- Precinct divisions related to an increase in the number of registered voters.
- Precinct names, polling places, and boundary corrections.



These changes are taking place as a result of the implementation of [new election districts \(PDF\)](#) that the Board of Supervisors and Commonwealth of Virginia approved following a redistricting process that was informed by the 2020 U. S. census and input from the public. The adopted local redistricting plan redrew the election districts to help maintain districts in which the number of residents is balanced over the next decade. In addition, the Board previously established the new Little River District covering southwest Loudoun while retiring the Blue Ridge District's name.

[Read the Full Press Release](#)

## Winter 2023 Caregiver Virtual Education Series



**for Caregivers**

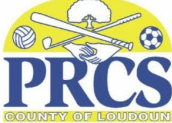
**VIRTUAL EDUCATION SERIES**

The Loudoun County Area Agency on Aging offers family caregivers numerous resources including support groups and educational events to provide support and insight. To register for these free programs call [571-258-3490](tel:571-258-3490) or email the Area Agency on Aging at [aaasupport@loudoun.gov](mailto:aaasupport@loudoun.gov). Certificates are available upon request.

**THE POWER OF ROUTINES!**  
How a Routine Benefits People with Dementia  
**Tuesday, February 7 at 1 pm EST**  
Presented by Vicky Noland Fitch, Dementia with Grace

**LIFE CARE PLANNING**  
for the Senior facing a Continuum of Care Needs  
**Wednesday, February 15 at 10 am EST**  
Presented by Rory Clark, The Legacy Elder Law Center

**BECOME THE CALMEST PERSON IN THE ROOM...**  
How to Manage Chaos in Dementia  
**Thursday, March 9 at 1 pm EST**  
Presented by Vicky Noland Fitch, Dementia with Grace



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The Loudoun County Area Agency on Aging is pleased to announce its Winter 2023 Caregiver Virtual Education Series beginning on Tuesday, February 7th.

The free series for anyone providing care and support to a loved one includes life care planning and real-life tools you can use as you navigate the difficulties of being a care partner.

The series includes three educational programs: The Power of Routines! How a Routine Benefits People with Dementia on Tuesday, February 7 at 1 p.m.; Life Care Planning for the Senior facing a

Continuum of Care Needs on Wednesday, February 15 at 10 a.m., and Become the Calmest Person in the Room...How to Manage Chaos in Dementia on Thursday, March 9 at 1 p.m.

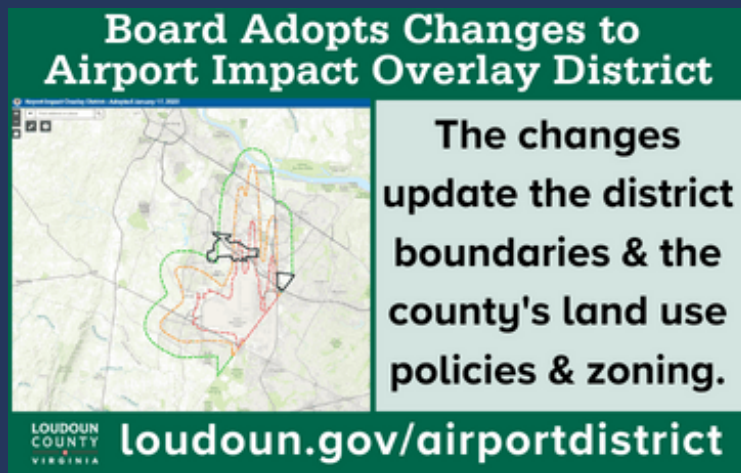
You can find more information on the educational programs at <https://bit.ly/WinterAAACaregiverSeries>.

To register for these free virtual programs, call [571-258-3490](tel:571-258-3490) or email the Area Agency on Aging at [aaasupport@loudoun.gov](mailto:aaasupport@loudoun.gov).

The Area Agency on Aging (AAA) is a division of the Loudoun County Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Services. Loudoun County AAA offers family caregivers numerous resources including support groups and educational events to provide support and insight.

## Board Adopts Airport Impact Overlay District Amendments

At its January 17, 2023 meeting, the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors approved changes to the



county's [Comprehensive Plan](#), [Zoning Ordinance](#) and [zoning map](#) pertaining to land development in areas where airport noise impacts are known to occur currently and expected to occur in the future as airport traffic increases.

The Airport Impact Overlay District (AIOD) is a zoning designation for properties where airport noise is anticipated at specified levels. Properties located within the AIOD are subject to certain land use regulations. The AIOD was implemented by the Board of Supervisors in the early 1990s to mitigate impacts to prospective homebuyers in areas that would be affected by aircraft noise and

to prevent residential development in areas where the highest noise impact to people on the ground is anticipated to occur.

### **Why did the County Make Changes Now?**

The Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority (MWAA), which operates Dulles International Airport, updated its noise exposure maps for Dulles Airport in 2019. As a result, Loudoun County's previous AIOD was outdated. Based on the airport's updated noise exposure maps, Loudoun County worked collaboratively with various stakeholders for more than two years to update the boundaries of the overlay district as well as the county's land use policies and zoning regulations related to the AIOD.

### **Board of Supervisors' Vote to Approve**

The Board of Supervisors considered many factors, such as information provided by MWAA, input from area residents and homeowner associations, recommendations from the Planning Commission and research conducted by county staff.

The Board ultimately voted on January 17 to:

- Adopt the proposed amendments to the county's Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinance and zoning map. The updated plan and regulations:
  - Do not add previously approved residential developments into the area designated with the highest noise impact; however, some existing homes may move into a different AIOD designation based on the newly adopted boundaries in the updated map.
  - Prohibit new residential developments in the area with the highest noise impact.
  - Require home sellers to disclose the property is within an AIOD at the time of sale.
  - Require specific disclosure language for homeowner association declarations in new developments, which must clearly state that the community is located near an airport, may be impacted by overflight noise, and is subject to the regulation of the AIOD of the Loudoun County zoning ordinance.

In addition, the Board voted in favor of opening a dialogue with the Federal Aviation Administration to better understand the future options available that would address community concerns regarding airplane noise.

The Board's vote does not impact the AIOD boundaries surrounding Leesburg Executive Airport.

[Read the Full Press Release](#)

## REMINDER: Residents Asked to Verify Vehicle Info Online for 2023 Tax Year by Feb. 1



**Personal Property Filing Requirements**

Commissioner of the Revenue is notifying Loudoun County vehicle owners they may update their personal property tax records online.

Report changes by **2/1/2023**

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The graphic also includes a screenshot of the online filing page with the text: "Commissioner of the Revenue Online Services", "Welcome to the Loudoun County Commissioner of the Revenue's Online Filing Page. Please select one of the options below to get started.", and three buttons: "New Account", "Update Account", and "My Account".

Loudoun Commissioner of the Revenue Robert S. Wertz Jr. is mailing notification of 2023 personal property filing requirements to all owners of automobiles, trucks, motorcycles, campers, trailers, boats, motorhomes, aircraft and mobile homes currently on the county's tax rolls.

Residents will soon begin receiving notices in the mail with an account number and instructions that they will use to review and update their personal property tax records for the 2023 tax year. While information is regularly received from the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), this online process allows residents to review and update information on the more than 372,000 vehicles now located in the county.

Residents can access their 2023 personal property information online at [loudoun.gov/efile](https://loudoun.gov/efile) utilizing their social security or tax identification number, mailing address ZIP code and unique account number, which is displayed on the notice. Residents may receive more than one notice depending on how their property is owned or registered.

Residents should report corrections, an address change, the sale or disposal of a vehicle, or unusually high mileage as well as unrepaired body damage or serious mechanical defect since these factors may affect the property's valuation or the number of months a vehicle is taxed in the county. The commissioner

requests that all changes be submitted by February 1, 2023, to assist in establishing accurate assessments for the 2023 tax year.

[Get More Information](#)

## Loudoun Electoral Board Determines School Board Members' Staggered Terms

At its January 12, 2023, meeting, the Loudoun County Electoral Board determined which Loudoun County School Board members will be elected to four-year terms and to two-year terms in the November 2023 general election.

The School Board members who will serve four-year terms are members who will be elected from the:

- Ashburn District
- At-Large (Countywide) District
- Catoclin District
- Little River District

In 2021, the [Code of Virginia](#) was amended by the General Assembly to allow the Loudoun County School Board to adopt staggered terms starting with the November 2023 general election, with the terms beginning January 1, 2024. The code, which was further amended in 2022, also called for the Loudoun County Electoral Board to conduct a random drawing at the board's first meeting of 2023 but no later than January 31, 2023, to determine which of the four members of the School Board elected in 2023 will serve four-year terms. The remaining five seats will serve two-year terms.

The November 2023 election in Loudoun will be conducted using the [2022 election district map \(PDF\)](#). Loudoun County election districts were updated in 2022 through the local redistricting process based on the 2020 U.S. census.

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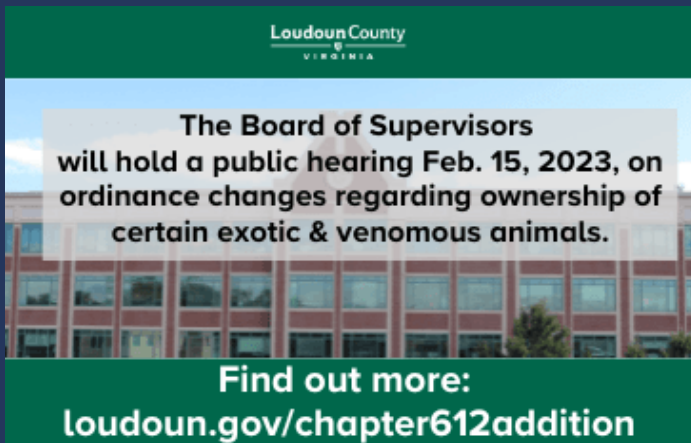
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# Board of Supervisors to Hold Public Hearing on Proposed Addition to Animals Ordinance Feb. 15



The Loudoun County Board of Supervisors is scheduled to hold a public hearing February 15, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. on a proposed new section of Chapter 612, Dogs and Other Animals, of the Codified Ordinances of Loudoun County. If adopted, the new section of ordinance would

prohibit private ownership of certain exotic and venomous species of animals that present a risk to public health and safety.

The February 15 public hearing will be held in the Board Room of the Loudoun County Government Center, 1 Harrison St. SE in Leesburg. Meeting documents will be posted online at least three days before the meeting at [loudoun.gov/meetings](https://loudoun.gov/meetings). Members of the public may attend in person or watch the meeting online or on the county's cable TV channel (Comcast Government Channel 23 or Verizon FiOS 40).

## Provide Input on Proposed Ordinance Text

Members of the public may provide feedback to the Board of Supervisors on the proposed new section of the county's ordinances in a variety of ways:

- **Sign Up to Speak at the Public Hearing:** To provide input and comment on the current draft text, members of the public can sign up to speak at the public hearing. Information about how to sign up to speak in advance at the Board of Supervisors' public hearing is posted at [loudoun.gov/signuptospeak](https://loudoun.gov/signuptospeak).
- **Contact the Board of Supervisors:** Members of the public may provide comment to the Board of Supervisors at any time [by email](#) or by calling the Board's Comment Line at [703-777-0115](tel:703-777-0115).



- **Submit Comments Online:** A convenient online comment form is available at [loudoun.gov/Chapter612addition](https://loudoun.gov/Chapter612addition). Comments submitted through the online form will be provided to the Board of Supervisors.

Following the February 15 public hearing, the Board of Supervisors could adopt the proposed changes or send the proposed changes to a future Board meeting for further discussion.

[Read the Full Press Release for Additional Background Information](#)

## Supplemental Real Estate, Personal Property Tax Deadline is February 6

Loudoun County Treasurer H. Roger Zurn Jr. reminds taxpayers that the deadline for payment of supplemental real estate and personal property taxes is **Monday, February 6, 2023.**

Payments received or postmarked after February 6, 2023, will incur a 10% penalty and interest. Any such penalty, when assessed, shall become part of the tax with interest accruing on both the tax and penalty at a rate of 10% annually. Personal property taxes remaining unpaid after 60 calendar days from the original due date will incur an additional 15% penalty. The due date will not be extended for bills where assessment questions have been filed with the Board of Equalization.

Taxpayers who are having financial difficulties should contact the Office of the Treasurer's Collections Team at [703-771-5656](tel:703-771-5656) for assistance.

Contact the Loudoun County Treasurer's Office at [703-777-0280](tel:703-777-0280) or [by email](mailto:) if you have not received your bill or if there are any questions.

### Supplemental Real Estate and Personal Property Tax Deadline



**February 6, 2023**


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For payment options, visit:  
[loudoun.gov/taxes](https://loudoun.gov/taxes)

Stay up to date on tax information by subscribing to the Tax Notices category of Alert Loudoun at [loudoun.gov/alert](https://loudoun.gov/alert). You can also text the word "TAXES" to **888777** to receive text messages about tax-related information, including upcoming deadlines. Note that additional message and data rates may apply.

For information regarding real property tax exemptions and deferrals as well as personal property tax relief for the elderly or disabled, contact the Commissioner of the Revenue's Office [by email](#), by phone at **703-737-8557** or visit [loudoun.gov/taxrelief](https://loudoun.gov/taxrelief).


## LCSO Announces 49th Citizens' Police Academy



**Loudoun County Sheriff's Office**  
**CITIZENS' POLICE ACADEMY**

Thursday evenings  
March 9 - May 25, 2023  
7:00 - 9:30 pm

**Register Today:**  
<https://bit.ly/LCSOCPASpring2023>



Loudoun County Sheriff Michael L. Chapman announced the formation of the 49th Citizens' Police Academy, which will commence on March 9, 2023.

Members of the class will participate in training classes taught by Loudoun County

Sheriff's Office personnel. The classes provide an overview of all the aspects of law enforcement within the agency. Members of the class may also have the option of participating in a ride-a-long with a deputy after completing the academy.

The free sessions will be held each Thursday evening from March 9 through May 25. Each session will be approximately 2.5 hours in length and begin at 7 p.m. Class locations will be announced prior to the upcoming session.

The classes are open to Loudoun County residents over the age of 18. To enroll in the Citizens' Police Academy, please visit <https://bit.ly/LCSOCPASpring2023>.

Registration will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Enrollment is limited to 25 participants.

This is the first of two Citizens' Police Academies held by the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office this year. The next session will be held in the Fall of 2023.

## Loudoun Offers Mental Health Education & Substance Abuse Prevention Programs in January and February

Loudoun County offers ongoing mental health education and substance abuse prevention programs. All programs are free, but registration is required, and seats are limited.

The schedule of upcoming classes for January and February 2023 is as follows:

### Mental Health Education & Substance Abuse Prevention Programs

#### New Classes Scheduled for Jan & Feb 2023

- Adverse Childhood Experiences
- Mental Health First Aid
- Opioid Overdose Reversal
- Suicide Prevention

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### Adverse Childhood Experiences Training

The Adverse Childhood Experiences training is a one-hour educational program that aims to raise awareness of Adverse Childhood Experiences, or ACEs. ACEs are potentially traumatic events that occur in childhood. ACEs are linked to chronic health problems, mental illness and substance use problems in adulthood.

- February 8, 2023, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

For details and to register, visit [loudoun.gov/childhoodadversitytraining](https://loudoun.gov/childhoodadversitytraining).

### Mental Health First Aid

Mental Health First Aid offers training that teaches people how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental illness and substance use disorders. The trainings are usually held over a two-day period, with the class lasting for about three hours each day.

- February 14 & 15, 2023, 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. each day. The in-person training will be at the Loudoun County Department of Mental

Health, Substance Abuse and Developmental Services office at 906 Trailview Blvd SE, Leesburg, Aspen Room.

For details about the training and to register, visit [loudoun.gov/mhfirstaid](https://loudoun.gov/mhfirstaid).

### **Opioid Overdose Reversal**

REVIVE! is the opioid overdose and naloxone education program for the Commonwealth of Virginia. The training is free and anyone who uses opioids or knows someone who is using opioids is encouraged to attend a training. Loudoun County offers two versions of the program - Rapid REVIVE! and Virtual REVIVE!

- February 13, 2023, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

REVIVE! trainings can also be scheduled upon request. For details about the training and to register, visit [loudoun.gov/revive](https://loudoun.gov/revive).

### **Suicide Prevention Training**

The Question Persuade Refer program offers training to help people recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to refer someone for professional help.

- January 31, 2023, 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

For details and to register, visit [loudoun.gov/suicidepreventiontraining](https://loudoun.gov/suicidepreventiontraining).

### **Supervisor Koran T. Saines**

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