

## October 2017: Beginning of Fall

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Fall is here and so is October! National Hispanic Heritage Month continues on through October 15th. Tomorrow, Tuesday, October 3rd, the Board and I will recognize September 15 through October 15 as Hispanic Heritage Month in Loudoun County. This observation started in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon Johnson and was expanded by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to cover a 30-day period from September 15 and ending on October 15. The public is invited to attend the presentation of the resolution at our October 3rd Business meeting at the Government Center beginning at 5:30 pm. We will recognize a few local Hispanic leaders and Loudoun County's official recognition of this observation. During HHM, let's celebrate and honor the cultures, traditions and contributions of all our neighbors with Hispanic/Latino background.

I also want to highlight that October is National Breast Cancer Awareness. Breast cancer is the second most common form of cancer in women, and about 1 in 8 women born today in the United States will get breast cancer at some point in their lives. The good news is that most women can survive breast cancer if it's found and treated early. Please visit <http://www.nationalbreastcancer.org/> to learn more about Breast Cancer, steps to take for early detection, and discussion questions to ask your doctor to make a plan.

With the Fall weather arriving, it is starting to get dark earlier and staying dark longer in the day, so please be careful driving in the mornings and evenings especially when school children are present. I look forward to seeing all of you at [SterlingFest](#) and I hope that you all have a safe and happy Halloween.

## Blight Ordinance

At the October 11th Board of Supervisors Public Hearing, the Board will be considering a Countywide Blight Abatement Ordinance. The intent of such a proposed ordinance would be to provide for a way to address blighted, dilapidated, deteriorated, and vacant structures that are negatively impacting the community when the County's other existing ordinances are not sufficient. While the structure on W Church Rd near the intersection of Magnolia Rd would be one such structure targeted by such an ordinance, I am happy to report that the owner of the property has agreed to tear the blighted structure down. Moving forward this ordinance would be a helpful tool to keeping the County and Sterling, the beautiful and welcoming place we wish it to be. You can read more about the item [here](#) and I encourage you to reach out to the rest of the Board in support of this item at [bos@loudoun.gov](mailto:bos@loudoun.gov).



<https://www.vote.virginia.gov/>.

Hours: Polls will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 7, 2017.

Voter Registration Deadline: Monday, October 16, 2017 at 11:59 p.m. Click [here](#) to register online.

## Time to Vote Again!

Make sure your voter registration is up to date! A General Election will be held at all precincts in Loudoun County on Tuesday, November 7, 2017.

Appearing on the ballot will be the offices of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, and all Members of the Virginia House of Delegates. There will also be two Loudoun County Bond Questions. View links to sample ballots and more at <https://www.loudoun.gov/election2017>.

Polling Place: Vote at your normal polling location. Verify your polling location at:

## SterlingFest 2017 Celebrates 30 Years THIS Saturday, Oct 7!

Bring your family and friends to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of SterlingFest on Saturday, October 7, 2017, from 11 am to 5 pm at the Sterling Community Center! This FREE community event features music, games, exhibits, food and fun activities for all ages! Call 703-430-9480 for more information. Event is rain or shine and hosted by the Sterling Foundation, a nonprofit 501(c)(3) community organization. Visit [www.SterlingFoundation.org](http://www.SterlingFoundation.org) for more info.

## SterlingFest 2017

Celebrating 30 years

OF THE STERLING COMMUNITY'S PREMIER FESTIVAL

**Saturday Oct. 7**

**11:00 am - 5:00 pm**

FOOD, FUN, FESTIVITIES  
FOR YOUR WHOLE  
**FAMILY**

**FREE**  
Admission

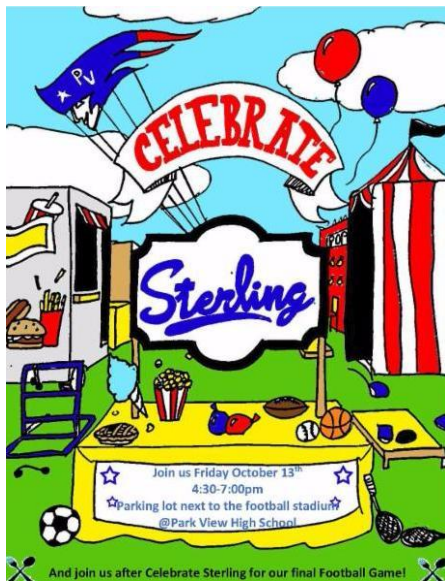
**FOOD** **LIVE** **KIDS'**  
Entertainment Entertainment **GAMES**

**RAFFLE** Local Business & Craft Vendors

Presented by:  
Sterling Foundation, Sterling Playmakers, and  
Sterling Community Center Advisory Board

Visit us online: [www.sterlingfest.org](http://www.sterlingfest.org) Find us on Facebook

My office will have a table. Please stop by and say hello!



## Celebrate Sterling on Oct 13th!

Let's all Celebrate Sterling and support our Patriots at Park View HS on October 13th!! They need 2,000 fans and alumni to come out to their football game against Loudoun County HS. The game starts at 7 pm. If the goal is reached, Principal Dolson will get dunked in the dunk tank at half time. The game is a White Out so please wear a white shirt.

Prior to the event, from 4:30-7 pm, the whole Sterling community is invited to Celebrate Sterling - a FREE family, fun-filled event organized by the school. Pre-game festivities include two moon bounces, carnival games, a DJ, a live band, Step Team performances, pick-up soccer games hosted by the PV state champions, a 3-point shootout with the basketball team, face-painting, and pumpkin carving stations. Chick-Fil-a, Jersey Mikes, and

Balzano's will sell food until 7 pm. Let's help the Patriots by spreading the word. [Invite friends via Facebook.](#)

## Fall Job Fair in Sterling on Oct 20

We've partnered with INMED's Partnerships for Children - Family & Youth Opportunity Center to bring you an annual Fall Job Fair on Saturday, October 20th from 10 am to 12 pm. This event is free to all ages 18 and up. Recruiters and business representatives will be on-site to discuss employment opportunities in:

- \* construction & manufacturing (laborers/technicians)
- \* horticulture design & landscaping maintenance



- \* hospitality, restaurant, hotel & event management
- \* sales, customer service & clerical representatives
- \* medical & insurance service providers
- \* transportation & transit service providers

Bring identification, a resume and dress to impress. For more information or to RSVP, contact Cecilia Capece at [ccapec@inmed.org](mailto:ccapec@inmed.org) or 571-465-2032. The event is taking place at 21630 Ridgetop Circle, Suite 130 in Sterling.

## ASTEAM Fall Family Carnival in Sterling on Oct 28

The Northern Virginia Urban League is hosting a free community expo and Fall family carnival, with hands-on learning activities for children and families. It will feature a fun-filled day of Aviation, Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics. Bring your children to get them problem-solving and exploring technology and engineering solutions. The event takes place Saturday, October 28th, from 10 am to 2 pm at The Campus, 100 Powers Court in Sterling.

RSVP at <https://asteamloudoun.eventbrite.com>. For more information, visit [www.nvul.org](http://www.nvul.org) or call 703-836-2858.



Aviation • Science • Technology • Engineering • Art • Mathematics

**Saturday, October 28, 2017 | 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.**  
**The CAMPUS | 100 Powers Court, Sterling, VA 20166**

<p><b>Aviation</b> Provides engaging Aviation and Aerospace CE opportunities through interactive aircraft displays, simulator training, flight instruction and exposure to the full spectrum of aviation operations.</p>	<p><b>Cyber Security</b> Programs will increase students' knowledge of networking and computer security through virtual labs and deliver this region through hands-on activities.</p>
<p><b>LEGO™ Design</b> Programs develop the design, engineering and problem-solving skills using LEGO™ the patented design and engineering activity.</p>	<p><b>Early Learning STEM</b> Program is designed to allow young learners to explore and engage in the spirit of STEAM learning.</p>
<p><b>RC (Radio Controlled) Racing</b> Programs allow students to engage in a fun and exciting way to learn and explore through autonomous racing.</p>	<p><b>Creative Art</b> Program is designed to build on a child's natural skills on colors and shapes using a variety of art supplies.</p>
<p><b>Robotics/Coding</b> Learn to design, program and control fully functional robots using simple computer code. This allows to learn how and modify sequences of instructions for a variety of these robotic behaviors.</p>	<p><b>And More!</b> Sponsored by a grant from <b>leidos</b></p>



## A Note from Animal Services

Did you know Loudoun County Animal Services responds to wildlife calls? While it is not mandated by the state, LCAS Animal Control Officers will respond to calls of distressed and injured wildlife. When possible, officers will facilitate the transport of injured wildlife to licensed wildlife rehabilitation groups. They will also help residents with tips and

tricks on how to live peacefully with the natural wildlife that keeps Loudoun County unique and beautiful.

### Tip of the Month:

Consider microchipping your dog or cat to help rescues, veterinarians, or shelters reunite you and your pet if they are ever lost! A microchip is about the size of a grain of rice and is implanted under the skin between the shoulders of a dog or cat. Each microchip has a unique number that can be registered with your contact information for free at [www.found.org](http://www.found.org). Microchips are the #1 way most pets are reunited with their families. They are safe, permanent, registration can be updated by the owner, and are rarely ever lost compared to collars and ID tags that often break free from the pet or become too worn to read.

This month's mobile adoptions are taking place at:

- Saturday, October 7: Joshua's Hands Event, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Saturday, October 14: Wellness Farmers Market in Stone Ridge, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Sunday, October 15: Loudoun Station Market in Leesburg, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Saturday, October 21: Leesburg Family Fun Day, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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## Upcoming Events

**Oct 4: Coffee with a Cop.** Come meet our LCSO deputies and ask questions from 9-11 am at the Cracker Barrel (23030 Indian Creek Dr, Sterling). RSVP on [Facebook](#).



**Oct 7: Hope for Lyme Music Fest.** Come out to Tarara Winery's concert series afternoon, beginning at 4 pm for a special fundraiser in support of NatCapLyme nonprofit and organized by Key Lyme. There will be a Health & Wellness Expo from 4-8 pm and live music. Buy tickets or find more info at [www.keylyme.org/hopeforlyme](http://www.keylyme.org/hopeforlyme).

**Oct 8: A Day of Reflection and Unity.** At 2 pm, History lovers are encouraged to join the Loudoun Freedom Center in celebrating the lives of Loudoun's unsung heroes, who are laid to rest at the Belmont Slave Cemetery. Event address: Harris Teeter parking lot (19350 Winmeade Dr, Leesburg, VA).

**Oct 12-14: Total Life Prosperity Conference.** A free conference provided by the Life Church International (21240 Ridgetop Cir, Sterling). Find more info at [www.prosperityone.co](http://www.prosperityone.co).

**Oct 19: Crossroad Jobs' First Annual Fall Fundraiser.** Come to Stone Tower Winery in Leesburg from 6-9 pm for an evening of live music from local favorites 22 Late, a free wine tasting, and complimentary finger food. All proceeds support Crossroads Jobs. Purchase tickets at: [http://www.crossroadsjobs.org/fall\\_fundraiser\\_2017](http://www.crossroadsjobs.org/fall_fundraiser_2017).

**Oct 28: Monster Mash.** (All ages) From 6:30-8:30 pm, try on your Halloween costume early and trick or treat at Sterling Community Center's trunk or treat! Local charitable organizations will run stations with crafts, candy, or activities. Admission is one canned good per trick-or-treater, and free for the rest of the family! If you run a non-profit in Loudoun County interested in participating, email [kubra.alam@loudoun.gov](mailto:kubra.alam@loudoun.gov) or call 703-430-9480.

**Oct 30: Moonbounce Costume Party.** Moon bouncing, Costume contest, trick or treating, games and crafts will be offered to kids aged 4 and under from 10-11:30 am at the Sterling Community Center. \$6/child. Call 703-430-9480 for more information.

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## October Opportunities

**Become an Election Officer!** Help your polling location on Elections Day, Nov 7th. Register [online](#) or call 703-777-0380.

**In Need of a Job?** Attend an orientation provided by Crossroads Jobs on one of the dates below! For questions, call 703-771-4112 or visit [www.crossroadsjobs.org](http://www.crossroadsjobs.org).

- English Orientations: October 16 and 30, 10:30-11:30 am at 750 Miller Drive, Suite A-1, Leesburg
- Spanish Orientations, October 2 and 23, 10:30 am-12 pm at the Sterling Library, 22330 S. Sterling Blvd, Suite A117

**English Classes at St. Matthew's Church** in Sterling offers free English classes every Monday at 7 pm while school is in session and free daycare. No advanced registration is required. Individuals may just walk-in! The classes are informal and in a small group setting. St. Matthew's is located at 402 E. Frederick Rd. All are welcome.

**Volunteer with the Sterling Foundation!** The 501(c)3 non-profit is always in need of volunteers to coordinate community cleanups along the Boulevard and their special community improvement events. Get involved by becoming a member for \$25 a year! They will sign off on partners' community service hours. Give back to your community. Check out [current opportunities](#) here.



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