

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT





August 5, 2020

Staff and Community Recognitions

Fluvanna won 3 out of 9 Thomas Jefferson EMS Regional Awards!

- Winners:
 - Award for Outstanding Contribution to EMS by a High School Senior K'Juan Payne
 - Award for Outstanding Leadership R. John Lye
 - Award for Outstanding Contribution to EMS Emergency Preparedness and Response Debbie Smith
- Social Services received the FY20 IV-E (Foster Care) report from the State
 - Out of 14 IV-E foster care cases reviewed by the State, Fluvanna had 0 errors with a 0% error rate.
 - The Feds require we have less than a 5% error rate and many local agencies struggle with this.
 - Special recognition to Renita Watson, Allison Pace, Demetria Carter-Washington, Kaersten Aylor, and John Lowery for their efforts in maintaining federal compliance.

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- Free Drive through testing for COVID-19
- Wednesday, August 12th from 4pm-7pm
- Grace and Glory Lutheran Church,
- 683 Thomas Jefferson Pkwy, Palmyra, VA
- Call 434-972-6261 to schedule appointment
- People must call to schedule an appointment:
 - Mon., August 10 or Tues., August 11.
 - from 8am-4:30pm



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- 1st Yard Sign and Face Mask Giveaway
 - July 24th at the Jefferson Centre
 - Over 500 signs and over 900 masks made their way in to the community!
 - The sign giveaway caught the eye of NBC29 and they helped spread the word for the 2nd Giveaway.



- 2nd Yard Sign and Face Mask Giveaway
 - July 31^{st} at the old Fork Union IGA
 - Over 150 signs and over 350-400 masks made their way in to the community!
 - Special Thanks to Kelly Harris, Caitlin
 Solis and Public Works for setup/breakdown.



- Second and Final allocation of CARES funding
 - Fluvanna County's allocation is <u>\$2,379,202</u>, same as first allocation
 - These funds may be used for qualifying expenses of state and local governments. The CARES Act provides that payments from the CRF only may be used to cover costs that:
 - are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID–19);
 - were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020 (the date of enactment of the CARES Act) for the State or government; and
 - were incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020, and ends on December 30, 2020
 - Hoping for additional language from Congress that extends the Dec 30, 2020 date and loss revenue flexibility.

- CAAR Home Sales Report 2nd Qtr. 2020 Fluvanna County
 - Sales: Sales activity slowed down in Fluvanna County this quarter. There were 138 sales in the County during the 2nd quarter, which is 10 fewer sales than a year ago, a 7% decline. Prior to this COVID-19-related slowdown, home sales had been increasing for 3 straight quarters in the County.
 - Median Sales Price: Even with a market slowdown, home prices continue to trend upward in Fluvanna County. At \$257,500, the 2nd quarter median sales price in the County rose by 11% from last year, a gain of \$26,500.
 - Sold Volume: While there was a dip in sales activity this quarter, rising home prices led to an increase in the sold dollar volume in Fluvanna County. There was approximately \$38 million of sold volume in the County during the 2nd quarter, about \$1 million more than last year, a 3% increase.
 - Days on Market: Homes continue to sell faster in the Fluvanna County market. The average days on market in the 2nd quarter was 46 days, which is 2 weeks faster than a year ago (-14 days).
 - Inventory: There were 91 active listings in Fluvanna County in the 2nd quarter, a 50% plunge from the inventory level a year ago, a reduction of 91 active listings. The large drop reflects hesitancy in the seller market due to COVID-19.

- Virginia Employment Commission Fluvanna:
 - Fluvanna has a workforce of 14,400
 - Continued Claims (receiving) as of July 25th = 5.9% (851)
 - Initial Claims (applied) July 4 through July 25 = 1.1% (161)
 - Potential Unemployment = ~7.0%

Continued Claims by County/City																			
March 14	March 21	March 28	April 4	April 11	April 18	April 25	May 2	May 9	May 16	May 23	May 30	June 6	June 13	June 20	June 27	July 4	July 11	July 18	July 25
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Initial Claims by County/City																			
March 14	March 21	March 28	April 4	April 11	April 18	April 25	May 2	May 9	May 16	May 23	May 30	June 6	June 13	June 20	June 27	July 4	July 11	July 18	July 25 (
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- The Virginia Rent and Mortgage Relief Program (RMRP) is designed to support and ensure housing stability across the commonwealth during the coronavirus pandemic
 - This includes financial assistance for rent or mortgage payments past due beginning April 1, 2020 and onward
 - Contact the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission for eligibility and enrollment information at 434-326-0950 or visit <u>https://www.dhcd.virginia.gov/rmrp</u>
 - TJPDC Housing Assistance information can be found at https://www.dhcd.virginia.gov/housing

Parks & Rec Summer Programs

• July Programs: 9am - Noon, Monday - Friday

Offered 6 Youth Kayaking Programs at Lake Monticello - 35 children total with a waiting list on 3 dates Offered 2 Adult Kayaking Programs at Lake Monticello - 12 adults total Offered 12 Programs at PG - 16 children total for Geocaching, Disc Golf, Creek Hike, and crafts (bandana masks)

• July Senior Activities

Communicated with 40+ Seniors for over 180+ interactions

Daily opportunity for morning conference call (each center has a day)

Calls consist of 5 - 15 minutes of check-in and conversations followed by that center's bingo time

Any senior can call from 1 - 2pm, Monday - Friday to play bingo

Looking to do a ½ hour call in time on Fridays 10 - 10:30am in August with guest speaker to answer questions

& Crafts

(7-12 yrs)

3 6 **Current Planned August Programs** Disc Golf Kayak Program Water Blaster Kayak Program Kayak Program (7-14 yrs) Freeze Tag (7-14 yrs) & Crafts (7-14 yrs) & Crafts Youth Kayaking at Lake Monticello for 12 days (7-12 yrs) 9 10 12 13 14 Kayak Program Kayak Program Water Blaster Kayak Program Disc Golf Youth Water Gun Freeze Tag for 4 days (7-14 yrs) Freeze Tag (7-14 yrs) & Crafts (7-14 yrs) & Crafts (7-12 yrs) Disc Golf for 4 days 16 17 18 19 20 21 Kayak Program Water Blaster Kayak Program Disc Golf Kayak Program (7-14 yrs) Freeze Tag (7-14 yrs) & Crafts (7-14 yrs) Senior Conference Calls daily 23 27 24 25 26 28 Water Blaster Kayak Program Disc Golf Kayak Program Kayak Program Freeze Tag (7-14 yrs) & Crafts (7-14 yrs) (7-14 yrs)





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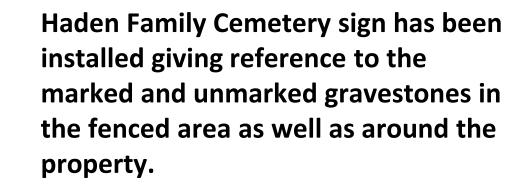


New Signs at Pleasant Grove Park



EDA - paid signs are now up at Pleasant Grove Park entrance/exit.

They show retail options on one side (exit) and park activities on the reverse side (entrance).



Paid for by Wade Parrish and Family.





- The County's 2020 VPFP Bond for the Zion Crossroads Water and Sewer Project with Virginia Resource Authority closed today
 - All-In true interest cost on the financing is <u>1.91%</u>
 - The annual debt service ranges from \$162K-\$166K
 - The FY21 budget used an estimate of \$200K
 - ~\$35K of debt service savings in FY21
- The Burn Building bid opening occurred today
 - The lowest bid was \$987,721
 - Previous estimates were \$880,000
 - \$480,000 grant
 - \$400,000 County

County Information Resources



- County Website: https://www.fluvannacounty.org/
 - Dedicated pages to the latest COVID-19 info and resources for Businesses
- Sign-up for FAN Mail: <u>https://www.fluvannacounty.org/subscribe</u>
- Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/FluvannaCountyGovernment/

• Twitter:

47 Following 558 Followers

https://twitter.com/fluvannacounty



Likes



Next BOS Meetings

Day	Date	Time	Purpose	Location
Wed	Aug 19	7:00 PM	Regular Meeting	Library
Wed	Sep 2	4:00 PM	Regular Meeting	Library
Wed	Sep 19	7:00 PM	Regular Meeting	Library

