

## A message from Kathy Smith

Hello, and thank you for reading the first edition of the Sull-e newsletter this year! I took office on January 1<sup>st</sup>, and it has been a very busy time. Supervisor Michael Frey was an incredible help in our transition and I want to publicly thank him. With our office up and running, my staff and I are actively serving the citizens of Sully District! My first official act on the Board in January was getting to congratulate the Westfield High School football team on winning the State 6A championship and inviting them to be recognized by the entire Board of Supervisors.

Our first big challenge was the Blizzard of 2016, during which our office stayed open around the clock to take calls and try to assist residents. We received over 1,400 calls and provided information to VDOT on the status of roads in the district. I shared the frustration of many of you as I was stranded at my house until Tuesday evening. I joined Chairman Bulova to call for a "Snow Summit" which will be taking place next week to identify ways to improve for the next storm.

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The Board of Supervisors is currently working on the Lines of Business (LOB's) review process, which will continue through March and looks at every county agency and program to find potential savings for taxpayers. We are doing 100 hours of LOB's and it has been a great way for me to learn. A list of topics and the schedule of LOB's is available at [fairfaxcounty.gov/budget/LOB](http://fairfaxcounty.gov/budget/LOB)

I look forward to working with you and please contact me anytime!

*Katty*

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## **FAIRFAX COUNTY GOVERNMENT NEWS**

Fairfax County Government Office of Public Affairs recently created and launched a new news site — NewsCenter — to serve as the primary hub for community focused, relevant and actionable news and information. [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news)

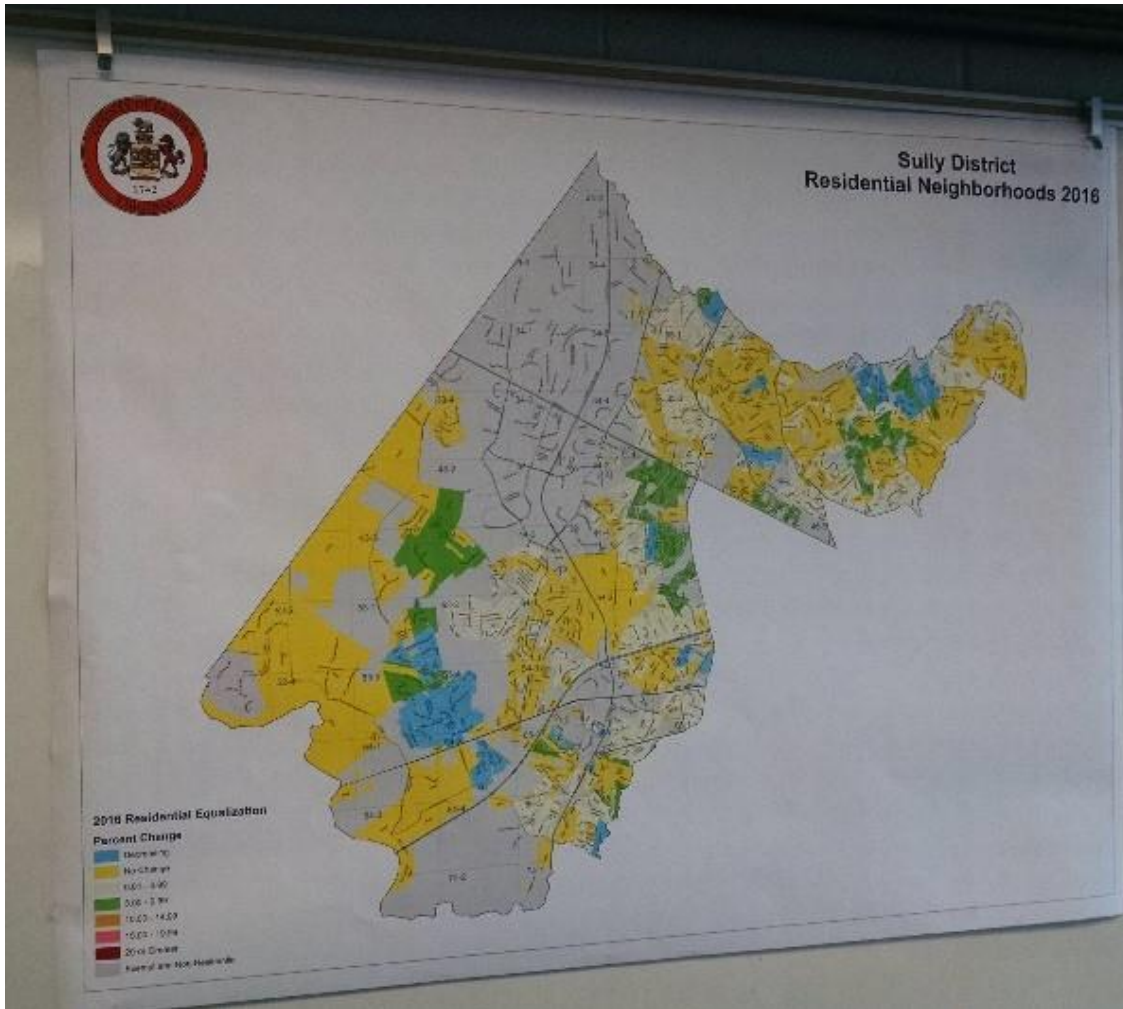


## **Early Voting Available in Sully**

In-person absentee voting for the Tuesday, March 1st Presidential Primary will take place at eight Satellite Locations on **Saturday, February 27th from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.** One of those locations will be the Sully District Government Center.

## **Tax Assessments Available**

Our county assessors came by the office last week to let us know about trends in the real estate market in Sully District. If you would like to see how your neighborhood was affected by this year's assessment changes, come by our office at 4900 Stonecroft Road and check out the tax map in our conference room.



## **SULLY DISTRICT STATION OFFICER OF THE YEAR**

Fairfax County Police Capt. Robert Blakely announced that PFC Brian Rochefort has been named Sully District 2015 Officer of the Year. Congratulations, PFC Rochefort!

## **BOARDS, AUTHORITIES, AND COMMISSIONS**

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*Sully District Representative for the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Ordinance Exception Review Committee*

Chris Koerner worked in environmental strategy and planning – largely involving the remediation of complex Superfund sites, but also championing sustainability, waste minimization, and system optimization. He also received the 2001 Fairfax County Environmental Excellence Award, the 2007 Northern Virginia Regional Commission Community Appearance Award, and the 2010 Fairfax County Tree Commission Friends of Trees Award. Thank you Chris!

*Sully Representative to the County's History Commission*

Sully District is home to some of our very important historic sites in the county, and Supervisor Michael Frey did a wonderful job documenting and preserving many pieces of that history. This is a very important issue for many residents in Sully, and Debbie runs a NoVA history website as well as serving on the Historic Centreville Society. Professionally Debbie also works with historic preservation and has been a member of the History Commission since 2007. Thank you Debbie Robison for your willingness to continue to serve Fairfax County!







*Planning Commissioner*

Many of you already know Karen Keys-Gamarra from her candidacy for the School Board last year where she received over 10,000 votes from Sully District. For those who don't know Karen- she is an attorney who is frequently appointed as a Guardian ad litem to represent the best interests of children brought into complicated court cases. She also has extensive experience in business and consumer issues. Karen is going to be a great advocate for Sully!

*Human Services Council Sully District Appointee*

Audrey F. Morton is an important community leader in Centreville and has served as a member of the Civil Service Commission in Fairfax County for 22 years- she was first appointed by then-Chairman Tom Davis! I've asked Audrey to move to the Human Services Council as one of our two Sully District appointees, so she can put her deep knowledge of our local government into overseeing some of the most important programs our county provides for the sick, elderly, poor and other vulnerable populations. Audrey will join our other Sully representative on the Council- Rev. Jerry Foltz who was appointed by Supervisor Frey last year.





*Sully representative to the Small Business  
Commission*

Marvin Powell has served for 11 years on this Commission and has previously been Chairman of this Commission. Marvin has represented Sully well- and I'm pleased to be able to re-nominate him for another term! Marvin has also served as Chairman of the Centreville Community Foundation.

*Sully District member for the Fairfax  
County Park Authority*

Maggie shares my commitment to retaining and expanding the many Parks programs, and she will work closely with our office to protect and expand playing fields in the Sully District.



## **Parks and Recreation Corner**

Hello everyone! My name is Maggie and I am the new board member of the Fairfax County Park Authority, representing Sully District. In future columns we'll learn about the many fun activities you can enjoy in our parks, but today let's talk about what is available right now to you.

First of all, if you are a member you should have received the Parktakes catalog for Spring and Summer activities, either the hard copy or the online version. Receiving the Parktakes magazine is free to residents and you can contact the Park Authority anytime and get subscribed. If you're like me you have probably already lost it somewhere – but no problem, here's what to do. Visit the [Park Authority's website](#) and you can see ALL the offerings and sign up for a class or activity right there. In fact, I recommend checking the website each

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quarter and for any updated or added classes as the Park Authority often adds new classes and activities – the online version is ALWAYS more up to date than the printed catalog.

How about this weather? Have you been having cabin fever with all the snow days? Why not plan a visit to the Cub Run Recreation Center? It's located at 4630 Stonecroft Boulevard in Chantilly. [Visit the Cub Run web page](#) to check out all the things you can do there – perhaps a swim, or workout in the fitness center? It is not too late to get serious about your New Year's resolution and keep in mind that memberships are on sale now through February 14!

Well maybe Spring will come sooner than expected – that would be nice! It would be great to get outside for a bit, so why not visit Ellanor C. Lawrence Park? It's at 5040 Walney Road in Chantilly. [Visit the park's web page](#) to get more information about this jewel of a park, located close to home.

Finally, if missing all those school days has made you forget your history, pay a visit to the Sully Historic Site, located at 3650 Historic Sully Way in Chantilly. [Visit the site's web page](#) to see what you can discover there.

I hope after reading this you appreciate how many wonderful opportunities we have in our area for discovery and learning – everything that makes Fairfax County such a great place to live!

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