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Voting for congressional seats begins

By Heather Zwicker FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

Voting is underway for Fairfax County voters to decide who represents their district in Congress.

Democrat Congressman Don Beyer faces a challenger Victoria Virasingh in the 8th district. Congressman Gerry Connolly (D-11) and Congresswoman Jennifer Wexton (D-10) do not have a democratic challenger.

Beyer first took office in the 8th district in January 2015. The district includes some parts of Fairfax, mostly along the county's eastern border with Alexandria, Arlington, and Falls Church.

Virasingh grew up in Arlington and is the daughter of immigrants, according to her website. She is a graduate of Stanford University with a bachelors in international relations and a master's degree in Latin American studies.

Early voting is underway for the Democratic ticket, with the official election day of June 21. Any registered voter in Fairfax County that resides in the district can vote early and cast their ballot at one of six early voting sites. The Fairfax County Government Center will be the only place to vote early until June 11, when the five additional sites: Franconia, Mason, McLean, and Mount Vernon government centers as well as Thomas Jefferson Library will be open. Voting hours at the Coun-



ty Government Center are weekdays from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. The Government Center will also be open June 11 and 18 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The last day to vote early is June 18. Hours at the other five locations are weekdays 1 to 7 p.m. and June 11 and 18 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

To vote by mail in the primary you must apply by June 10 at 5 p.m. For more information you can visit the Department of Elections website at https://bit.ly/3KDXMRd. Mail-in ballots may be returned via mail or put in a drop box at any of the early voting sites during the hours they are open. They may also be dropped 24 hours in a secure drop-off box at the County Government Center.

Five candidates are vying for

the GOP nod to challenge Connolly in Virginia's 11th District: Manga Anantatmula, who previously challenged Connolly in 2020; retired diplomat Joseph Babb; retired Air Force Lt. Col. Barbara Banks; Army veteran Matthew Chappell; and Air Force veteran and retired federal judge James Myles.

The entire City of Fairfax and most of Fairfax County falls within Virginia's 11th Congressional District. In addition, the district includes some parts of Prince William County.

On May 7, the 11th District GOP will hold a party canvass, which is sometimes called a "firehouse primary," to select a nominee. This year's canvass will take place at the University of North America (12750 Fair-

fax Circle, in Fairfax). The canvass is open to any registered voter in the district. Voting hours are between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. For more details, see VAGOP11.org.

District 8 Republicans will select a nominee during a convention held on May 21. Visit VAGOP8CD.org for all the details.

Five Republican candidates are running for the GOP congressional nod in District 8: economist Monica Carpio; 2020 GOP nominee Jeff Jordan; educator Heerak Kim; engineer Karina Lipsman; and businesswoman Kezia Tunnell.

Eleven candidates are on the ballot to challenge Wexton of the 10th District in November. Virginia's 10th Congressional District includes a portion of Fairfax County, mostly along the border of Prince William County. The 10th District GOP will hold a "canvass/primary" on May 21 - for details, visit VAGOP10.org.

The crowded field of candidates seeking the GOP nomination include Loudoun County School Board Member John Beatty; retired Air Force Col. Dave Beckwith; retired Navy Capt. Hung Cao; attorney Mike Clancy; Manassas City Council Member Theresa Coates Ellis; Air Force veteran John Henley; Prince William County Supervisor Jeanine Lawson; businessman Caleb Max; small business owner Jeff Mayhugh; parent-activist Brandon Michon; and Brooke Taylor, who earned masters and doctoral degrees from Regent University.

VA-11 Congressional candidate refutes allegations against him

By Heather Zwicker FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

As primary elections for congressional seats get underway, a Republican candidate for Congressman Gerry Connolly's seat is refuting allegations made against him.

Allegations of improprieties during Candidate Matthew Chappell's law enforcement career in Georgia were made in an April 29 Atlanta Journal Constitution (AJC) article shared with the Fairfax County Times.

One allegation consisted of social media posts he had already been warned about, according to documents provided by the George Pease Officer Standards and Training Council (P.O.S.T.).

According to their website, Georgia P.O.S.T. Council administers the regulatory process, sets the standards for training and certification, and provides essential technical assistance to the law enforcement community. They recommended his certifications be revoked July 11, 2019 and they were revoked September 11 of that year.

The document also said that while on duty Chappell, "was requesting sexual acts from a female officer of another law enforcement unit," and that he "was texting her through a social media platform asking the female officer if she would have sex with him and his wife." The unnamed female officer screen shot the messages and reported him. He was then terminated for violating policy on social media and "requesting sexual acts while on duty," according to the document.

In an April 30 statement posted to Twitter, Chappell called the allegations in the AJC article "false claims by a tabloid bought and paid for by leftists." When questioned by Fairfax County Times Tuesday about whether he stood by his statement, Chappell responded, "Yes, I stand by my statement. The allegations are false. End of story. I'll defer further questions to my attorney."

Chappell claimed in his statement that the current Glynn County Police Chief Jacques Battiste offered to send his employment file to the county's legal team for an independent review before the AJC article was re-



leased.

Neither the Glynn County Police Department nor the McIntosh County Sheriff's Office responded to questions.

According to a report provided by the Georgia P.O.S.T. Council, Chappell worked for several law enforcement agencies in Georgia including the Camden County Sheriff's Office where he resigned his position in November 2015. The next month he took a position with the Glynn County Police Department and resigned in September 2016 while under investigation. He received a public reprimand in July 2017 and was placed on probation for 24 months. In June 2018 he took a position with the McIntosh County Sheriff's Office and was terminated in January 2019.

The Fairfax GOP takes the accusations very seriously, according to Chairman Steve Knotts. "This is a very fluid story, that unfortunately materialized very close to Saturday's primary election," he said. "All citizens deserve courtesy professionalism and respect from law enforcement officers."

Since Chappell denies the allegations and apparently never faced any criminal prosecution, Knotts said that they will remain neutral as a committee on this issue and trust district voters to evaluate the candidates to decide who will face Connolly in November.



Clifton Community Woman's Club cares

Community of women donating time and necessities

For half a century as a federated club, the Homes Tour has been the signature annual fundraising project for the Clifton Community Woman's Club (CCWC). Once people ensconced themselves in their homes throughout COVID, CCWC had to find new legs forward.

President Karen Paris was brainstorming ways to fundraise when she thought of the CARES competition. "We've been working hard to see that the people who need the assistance still get it," she said.

"CCWC cares about the community so we'll call it the CARES competition," she recalled. They then assigned a submission category for each letter-creative, arts, recording, education, and service: C.A.R.E.S.

CCWC got painting, video, and cake art submissions and announced winners a few weeks ago. The competition fund-raised more than \$8,000 for charities with an additional \$2,000 in donations-sur-

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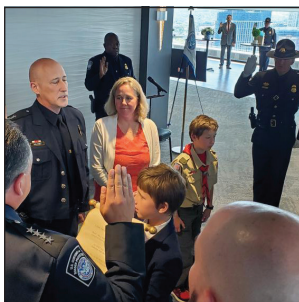
The Fairfax County Police Department's Tysons Urban Team (TUT) was recognized by executives from Victoria's Secret last week for breaking up a retail theft ring.

The thieves are believed to be responsible for the loss of more than \$250,000 of merchandise from stores throughout the southern U.S. According to a FCPD spokesman, a total of eight jurisdictions in Virginia were affected by the subjects. The loss of \$15,450 can be attributed to stores in Fairfax County, they said.

On March 3, officers spotted a suspicious vehicle matching a description provided by the store's asset protection team. Officers determined the occupants in the car were the men responsible for multiple thefts throughout the region. Two occupants were arrested and charged with several felonies. TUT's outstanding work helped bring closure to numerous cases locally and out of state.

"Working in partnership with our asset protection team, the Fairfax PD did an outstanding job apprehending a known Organized Retail Crime actor who was responsible for the theft of approximately \$250,000 worth of Victoria's Secret merchandise from 38 stores across five different states," said a Victoria's Secret spokeswoman. "We are very appreciative for the quick, professional support of the Fairfax Police Department urban team."

The Tysons Urban Team was formed in 2013 to address crimes and partner with the community within the Tysons urban area. They have 24 positions allocated to the team.



Stephen T. Maloney is administered his oath of office.

Annandale resident takes helm at CBP Mid Atlantic

Annandale resident Stephen T. Maloney officially assumed command of U.S. Customs and Border Protection's (CBP) Baltimore Field Office during a time-honored ceremony in Baltimore April 29.

As director, Maloney leads more than 900 employees who are responsible for carrying out the agency's critical border security mission while enabling lawful international trade and travel through the mid-Atlantic region.

CBP's Baltimore Field Office protects our nation's borders in the mid-Atlantic region, enables the importation of more than \$100 billion in lawful commerce, and processes the admission of more than six million international travelers annually. Annually, the Baltimore Field Office clears more than \$100 billion worth of commercial imports and exports at 23 sea and air ports of entry in southern New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D.C.

"Today, we celebrate Steve Maloney becoming the Director of Field Operations for Customs

and Border Protection's Baltimore Field Office, which is an office that is integral to our national security and our economy," said Miller. "I can honestly say there's no better person to lead the Baltimore Field Office than Steve. His experience, knowledge, and compassion position him perfectly to lead the Baltimore Field Office and I have no doubt that he will lead our mid-Atlantic operations with integrity, valor, commitment, and passion."

"In the past nearly six months I have met many employees of the Baltimore Field Office and I am humbled to lead them and even prouder to serve alongside them," Maloney said. "I have loved my job just about every day since I started with this agency and this agency has given me the opportunity to do incredible things. But there is no job in this agency that I am more excited for than this one, and so it is with drive, determination and great passion that I accept and assume command of the Baltimore Field Office."

Maloney, a native of Maine, most recently served as the Director of CBP's Field Transformation Team (FT2) at CBP Headquarters. CBP's FT2 initiative strategically modernizes the training, capabilities, and performance metrics of frontline officers who conduct passenger and cargo inspections at the nation's 328 air, land and sea ports of entry.

Following the terrorist attacks of 9/11, Maloney started his career in federal service in 2002 as an immigration inspector in Miami. He served in several airport and seaport leadership positions throughout South Florida. While a member of CBP's Miami Marine Unit, he identified a highly organized human smuggling ring responsible for smuggling hundreds of foreign nationals into the United States. Subsequent investigations resulted in 23 criminal indictments and 16 convictions.

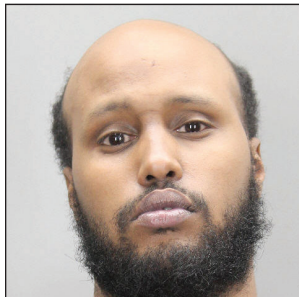
Maloney later served in critical leadership positions at



Capt. Ryan Morgan of the Fairfax County Police Department West Springfield District with public safety cadets at the West Springfield Drug Take Back Day event. In partnership with the Drug Enforcement Administration and other county agencies, more than 1,300 pounds of unused and expired over-the-counter and prescription medications were dropped off by community members. The West Springfield District had the highest donation with 306 pounds of medications dropped off.

strategic ports of entry, including as area port director of the Port of New York/Newark and as the acting assistant port director at Miami International Airport. During his career, he also represented CBP internationally as an instructor, team leader and short-term advisor in Ghana, Morocco, Nigeria, and Israel.

Maloney holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from Georgetown University and is a 2017 graduate of the CBP Leadership Institute. He and Sara, his wife of 23 years, have two children.



Wais Mohamed

Woodbridge man arrested

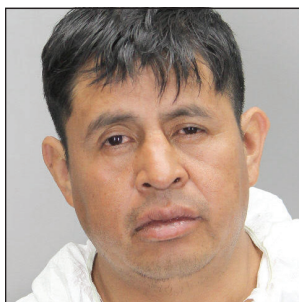
Officers were dispatched to the vicinity of Route 28 and Walney Road for a disabled vehicle April 23 at 12:30 p.m.

After further investigation, they determined the 2005 Toyota Corolla was reported stolen earlier in the day from a neighboring jurisdiction. The driver, Wais Mohamed, 31, from Woodbridge, was arrested and charged with grand larceny.

Driver charged in fatal pedestrian crash

Detectives from the Fairfax County Police Crash Reconstruction Unit have charged the driver of the 2013 Kia Forte from the April 20 fatal pedestrian crash.

Detectives determined Lloyd Ingram, 58, of Burke, was crossing Guinea Road from north to south at Olley Lane. Ingram was inside the crosswalk and had the right of way. The driver, Rachel Isner, 40, of Fairfax, was traveling east on Guinea Road and struck Ingram in the roadway. Detectives determined Isner was not traveling at excessive speed. She was charged with careless driving and infliction of injury on vulnerable road user. She was issued a summons and released on recognizance.



Juan Samuel Juarez-Lopez

Man arrested after stabbing

The victim was stabbed in the upper body following a dispute in the 14200 block of Centreville Square Shopping Center, April 26 at 5:24 p.m.

The man was taken to the hospital for injuries that were considered life-threatening. The man's condition was later upgraded to injuries not considered life threatening. Officers found Juan Samuel Juarez-Lopez, 44, and he was charged with malicious wounding.



Anthony Ellison

Manassas man arrested in Alexandria

A 35-year-old Manassas man entered the 7-Eleven at 8010 Richmond Highway at 5:36 a.m. April 24, threatened an employee, and took property.

Officers located Anthony Ellison nearby, he was arrested and charged with robbery, credit card theft, and vehicle trespass.

Juvenile charged with involuntary manslaughter

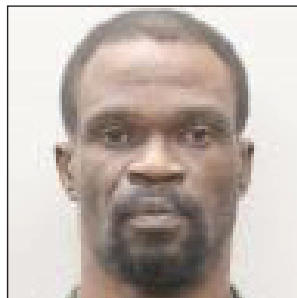
Detectives from the Fairfax County Police Department Crash Reconstruction Unit have charged a juvenile for the March 9 fatal crash on Georgetown Pike that involved three cars.

A 62-year-old woman died from injuries sustained in the crash.

Detectives determined the juvenile driver of the 2020 Audi A5 was traveling at a speed of more than 80 mph in the 35-mph speed zone. Detectives determined alcohol was not a factor in the crash. Yesterday, detectives obtained and served a petition for involuntary manslaughter for the 16-year-old. The juvenile was taken to the Fairfax County

Juvenile Detention Center where he was held.

Victim advocates from the Major Crimes Bureau's Victim Services Division have been assigned to this case to ensure the victim's family is receiving appropriate resources and assistance.

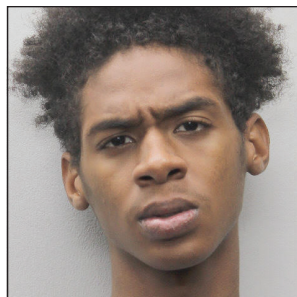


Alhaji Umara Shaw

Alexandria man arrested after assault

A 43-year-old Alexandria man assaulted the victim, took property, and ran away from the 7000 block of Richmond Highway April 23 at midnight.

Officers located Alhaji Umara Shaw nearby. He was arrested and charged with robbery.



Jacob Ward

Alexandria man arrested after traffic stop

Officers located a 2001 Dodge Dakota in the 8600 block of Gateshead Rd. at 10:22 p.m. April 24. The vehicle was reported stolen minutes prior.

A traffic stop was conducted on the vehicle and the driver, Jacob Ward, 18, from Alexandria, was arrested and charged with grand larceny.

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PEOPLE AND PLACES



RENEE MAXWELL
Andrea Wilkinson (in red), the local event coordinator for Food For Neighbors, led volunteers in sorting food that will support students in six area schools: Walt Whitman Middle School, West Potomac High School, Bryant High School, Sandburg Middle School, Mount Vernon High School, and Quander Road School.



COURTESY PHOTO
Ryan Connors (left) and Rick Bingham

Fairfax native claims victory in National Bridge Championship

Bridge continues to draw players of all ages and walks of life today, as evident among the American Contract Bridge League’s 165,000 members. Notably standing out among its members is Fairfax native **Rick Bingham**, who claimed victory at ACBL’s Spring 2022 North American Bridge Championships.

Bingham won with his bridge partner **Ryan Connors** of Alexandria, in the Golder North American Pairs Flight B event. The duo, who are no strangers to North American bridge competitions, also won an online version of last summer’s Grand National Teams in Flight B.

ACBL hosts an NABC three times per year across the United States and Canada, bringing together bridge players of all skill levels. The Spring 2022 NABC was held in Reno, Nevada, from March 10-20, with more than 3,000 duplicate bridge competitors from across the world and 6,200 tables of play over the course of the tournament.

No Kid Hungry distributes grants to increase access to meals

No Kid Hungry recently distributed \$839,552 in grants to help 33 Virginia school districts and community organizations enhance child nutrition and emergency food programs during the school year and summer months. Since March 2020, the non-profit has invested more than \$5 million to ensure Virginia’s children stay nourished and ready to learn.

Four organizations in Fairfax County were the recipient of \$115,000 in grants.

Food insecurity remains a pressing issue in the commonwealth. According to No Kid

Hungry, one in eight children in Virginia may face hunger this year.

School districts and community organizations play an essential role in ensuring kids have access to the nutritious meals they need to learn and grow. However, right now they face both logistical challenges and added costs, making it more difficult to provide meals for the kids who need them.

Currently, 92 percent of school districts nationwide cite trouble sourcing the food they need due to ongoing supply chain disruptions and nearly 75 percent report staffing challenges.

The latest round of funding will help organizations and schools adapt to meet the ever-changing needs of students and families. Recent local grant recipients include:

Annandale United Methodist Church - \$5,000, **Husayn for Humanity** - \$10,000, **Immigration and Refugee Outreach Center** - \$50,000, and **Northern Virginia Family Services** - \$50,000.

“Local school and community nutrition teams continue to go above and beyond to connect kids and families with meals during the pandemic, and this latest round of funding will help strengthen their work,” said No Kid Hungry Virginia Director Sarah Steely. “The grants will help teams leverage a variety of strategies to increase food access, such as purchasing meal service supplies and equipment, while supporting staffing and food costs.



COURTESY PHOTO
Sonia Jindal

Local resident chosen for FASPE Ethics Fellowship

Fairfax resident **Sonia Jindal**, a student of Johns Hopkins University, is one of 13 students chosen for the inaugural 2022 design & technology program of the Fellowships at Auschwitz for the Study of Professional

Ethics (FASPE).

Now in its 12th year of operation, FASPE provides a unique historical lens to engage graduate students in professional schools as well as early-stage practitioners in six fields (business, journalism, law, design & technology, medicine, and seminary) in an intensive course of study focused on contemporary ethical issues in their professions.

The FASPE design & technology program offers an approach that differs from the usual classroom experience in design schools by providing a holistic curriculum that looks beyond the specifics of formal rules to focus on ethical problems faced by individual design & technology professionals in the various settings within which they practice. Fellows participate in a two-week program in Germany and Poland, which uses the conduct of design & technology professionals in Nazi-occupied Europe as a way to reflect on ethical issues currently facing architects, engineers, designers, and other technologists today.

Daily seminars are led by specialized faculty who engage fellows in discussions and critical thinking about both the historical and the contemporary. The design & technology program is strengthened by the diverse perspectives of its participants and the power of place and context. The experience of the design & technology fellows is enhanced by traveling alongside the law and business fellows, who together—in formal and informal settings—consider how ethical constructs and norms align and differ.

“By educating students about the causes of the Holocaust and the power of their chosen professions, FASPE seeks to instill a sense of professional responsibility for the ethical and moral choices that the Fellows will make in their careers and in their professional relationships,” said David Goldman, FASPE’s founder and chairman.

FASPE studies the perpetrators to emphasize the essential role of professionals and to ask how and why professionals abandon their ethical guideposts. The FASPE design & technology program examines the roles and responsibilities of designers of built environments and



COURTESY PHOTO
More than 80 volunteers from Fairfax County including Boy Scout Troop 654, students from West Potomac and Mount Vernon high schools, and congregants from Maranatha Bible Church spent time cleaning up Little Hunting Creek near U.S. 1 in Lee District April 30. They collected an estimated 5,000 pounds of trash in 129 bags, including shopping carts from various stores, street signs and thousands of plastic bottles and bags among other items. The cleanup was hosted by Senator Scott Surovell, Delegate Paul Krizek and Lee District Supervisor Rodney Lusk.

the design and technology professions in the Nazi state, underscoring the reality that moral codes governing professionals can break down or be distorted with devastating consequences. With this historical background, the design & technology fellows are better positioned to confront contemporary issues.

Jindal is a second-year PhD student at the Center for Systems Science and Engineering at Johns Hopkins University. She is interested in the intersection of computer science, applied mathematics, public health, and societal systems. Her current research topics include modeling the spread of COVID-19 and analyzing the equity of public transit in cities. Previously, she was a software engineer at Microsoft. She received her undergraduate degree in computational and applied math and statistics from the College of William & Mary.

Jindal joins a diverse group of eighty FASPE fellows across all six programs who were chosen through a competitive process that drew applicants from across the US and the world. FASPE covers all program costs, including travel, food, and lodging.

FASPE maintains long-term relationships with its fellows in order to sustain commitment to ethical behavior and to provide a forum for continued dialogue. To date, FASPE has more than 650 alumni.



COURTESY PHOTO
Sanjana Kanaparthi

Local student named Hope For The Warriors Volunteer of the Month

Hope For The Warriors announced that **Sanjana Kanaparthi** is their Volunteer of the Month for March.

Kanaparthi, a high school student from Fairfax, joined the HOPE family in January when she selflessly reached out with the desire to give back to the military community. Since then, she has consistently shown up and dedicated her time to supporting their mission.

“I volunteer for HOPE because it is such a great organization that really cares about military families and donors,” said Kanaparthi. “It’s a delight to make calls and tell these donors that their gift was impactful. I believe that people should always try to give back to the community in good faith and citizenship.”

Angie Parker, HOPE’s volunteer manager, has worked closely with Sanjana since day one and nominated her for this recognition.

“Sanjana has been an asset to HOPE since the day she

started,” said Parker. “I know I can always rely on her with any task needed. She is so responsible, quick to respond, and you can tell that she truly cares about the organization. It’s great to see a high school student step up like she has.”



COURTESY PHOTO
Andrew Schroeder with the Grand Award

Local design/build company recognized

Schroeder Design/Build, Inc. of Fairfax was awarded top honors in three categories in the inaugural awards ceremony held by The Professional Remodeling Organization (PRO) Mid Atlantic last month.

They include: Grand Award Residential Addition \$350,000-\$500,000, The Ben Osborne Lifetime Achievement Award and Community Service Award.

Schroeder Design/Build received the highest award – the PRO Remodeler of the Year Grand Award in the category of Residential Addition \$350,000-\$500,000 – for its innovative two-story addition on a 100+-year-old home in Burke. The homeowners liked the look of the historic home, yet wanted a second-floor contemporary family room with a modern feel for entertaining and gathering, along with a first-floor recreation room with pool access and a bathroom. The challenge was in creating a modern inside space while maintaining the historic look and feel of the home, and blending the two together.

Winners of the PRO Remodeler of the Year Awards represent the best remodeling work in the Mid Atlantic region. The awards are judged by remodeling professionals located outside the region, based on the criteria

of problem solving, functionality, aesthetics, craftsmanship, innovation and degree of difficulty. More than 110 entries totaling more than \$30,500,000 were submitted for the 2022 PRO Remodeler of the Year Awards.

Trish Schroeder, co-founder of Schroeder Design/Build, Inc., was awarded the Ben Osborne Lifetime Achievement Award for her ongoing dedication to helping PRO grow and thrive. Schroeder Design/Build opened its doors in 1986, and in the following year, Trish and Tom Schroeder joined the region’s professional remodeling organization. Throughout the years, she has dedicated herself to supporting remodeling in the Mid Atlantic region, serving in a number of capacities including as president, mentor for new members, and currently as Membership Chair for PRO Mid Atlantic.

The Ben Osborne Award was named for a beloved member of the association who helped pen the pledge to its code of ethics. It is a lifetime achievement award recognizing long-time members for their accomplishments, awards, local community involvement, professionalism and dedication to the remodeling industry.

In 2021, Schroeder Design/Build celebrated its 35th anniversary with a flagship program called “35 Acts of Kindness” and as a result, was one of the winners of the 2022 PRO Mid Atlantic Community Service Award. Throughout 2021, the company supported three major charities: Hero Dogs, Food for Others and Good Shepherd Housing with large and ongoing campaigns. In addition, it challenged its team to perform additional Acts of Kindness throughout the community. That goal of 35 Acts was exceeded.

The Community Service Award is presented to a PRO member who donates time, energy and materials to help area individuals or groups in need and judged on value of contribution to the community over time and potential future benefits.

OBITUARIES

In loving memory

Robert Marshall Hurst



The Honorable Robert Marshall Hurst, 89, of Longboat Key, Florida passed away Friday April 22, 2022.

Born April 12, 1933, in Providence, RI, his formative years were spent at Moses Brown Prep School in Providence and then Bowden College in Brunswick, Maine. After graduation, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy where he served on the U.S.S. Tidewater during the Korean War. After the Navy, he attended the University of Richmond Law School then took a job at the law firm of John Rust, Sr. in Fairfax, VA. Bob became the Chief Judge of Fairfax County Court Judicial System until he retired in 1991.

After retirement, his first wife passed away. He traveled extensively with his second wife, Judith Price-Hurst. They move to Longboat Key, FL where they have been residents ever since. He was an avid golfer and past member of the Country Club of Fairfax in Fairfax, VA and the Meadows Country Club in Sarasota, FL. He was an avid fan of the Boston Red Sox and the Tampa Bay Lightning.

He is survived by his three children: Dr. James Hurst and his wife, Barbara, Rob Hurst and his wife, Connie, Susan Edgar and her husband, Tom; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; his stepdaughter, Leigh Harris, stepson Joseph Price and his wife, Dawn and his brother, Dr. Alfred Hurst and his wife, Jean of Cape Cod, MA.

A celebration of life will be held 1:00 pm Thursday May 26, 2022, at Sarasota National Cemetery, 9810 State Road 72 Sarasota, Florida 34241.

Bob was a big supporter of the police and would like donations to be made to the Police Benevolent Fund in lieu of flowers.



COURTESY PHOTO
Kids Give Back, a local nonprofit organization hosted six service projects in conjunction with Global Youth Service Day April 30. Participants made I-Spy bottles for Fairfax County libraries. Other projects included families packing snack packs for Helping Hungry Children and Lorton Community Action Center and others. Approximately 50 people participated and there were 20 teen volunteers.

Liberty MS commits to protecting the environment with tree planting ceremony

By Madison Schofield
SPECIAL TO THE FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

Liberty Middle School celebrated Arbor Day on April 29 with a tree-planting ceremony. During the event, Fairfax was also named a Tree City for the 39th year in a row for its dedication to protecting trees in the community.

After a performance by the Liberty Chorale Ensemble, Principal Adam Erbrecht began the ceremony with a few opening remarks on the importance of trees and outdoor spaces.

“In this age of virtual reality, we know that just getting outside has healing powers for our kids but we have to set the table and prepare spaces for them for that purpose. Not just boring turf grass or fields that are mown, blown, and weed-whacked,” he said. “We need some less manicured spaces, some wild spaces for kids. I’ve long valued outdoor and environmental education simply for its impact on human wellbeing.”

Arbrecht said that at Liberty Middle School, students learn not only to enjoy the outdoors but also the importance of protecting it.

“Our young people in Fairfax County Public Schools know so much more about what it is that we need to protect and preserve and the climate crisis that their generation and us as adults are facing right now,” said Board of Supervisors Chairman Jeff McKay. “The urgency of now is so important and it’s something that not only our kids realize but our county government realizes and our Fairfax County Public



School Board Chair Stella Pekarsky, BOS Chairman Jeff McKay, and Springfield District Supervisor Pat Herrity join students and staff from Liberty Middle School in Clifton to plant a tree during the Arbor Day celebration.

lic Schools realize.”

McKay then read the Arbor Day Proclamation, after which Fairfax was then recognized by Tree City USA and was presented with the Tree City Flag by Jim McGlone of the Virginia Department of Forestry.

To be named a Tree City, a community must maintain a tree board or department to care for the trees, have a community tree ordinance, spend at least \$2 per capita on urban forestry and hold an Arbor Day celebration.

“Fairfax County exceeds that requirement and has the best forestry program, certainly the best in the state, and probably one of the best in the country,” said McGlone.

McGlone said that Fairfax goes above and beyond in the other requirements as well and has some of the strongest ordinances for tree protection in Virginia.

According to McKay, there are 44 million trees in Fairfax county, providing 50 percent tree coverage.

During the event, eight trees were planted. According to Arbrecht, the school has

plans to plant 51 in total and build an outdoor classroom.

“These trees in urban areas will filter our air and remove harmful particles to keep you all nice and healthy, they will filter and regulate the water, preventing flooding and protect our watershed, and they’ll also reduce noise pollution by shielding your school and homes and offices from our roads, and they’ll also provide a hospitable place for our animals,” said FCPS Board Chair Stella Pekarsky.

The newly planted trees will also help FCPS to achieve its goals of reducing its carbon footprint.

“The Fairfax County School Board has also accepted the recommendation of our joint environmental task force with our county to set a goal for the school division to become carbon neutral by 2040,” said Pekarsky. “We think it’s really important for all of us to work together as a county to reduce our carbon footprint and to lead the way to ensure that we have a more sustainable environment in the future.”

Parabon finding persons of interest

Genealogy research helps police identify offender in decades-old case

By Jaya Patil
FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

On March 6, 1987, a local 14-year-old reported being abducted and sexually assaulted. Fairfax County Police made a sketch of the assailant and opened a case that remained open until this year. Now 35 years later, police arrested William Clark for the crime.

DNA analysis is a new technology, the first reported case closed with its help was also in 1987. Old open cases have closed over the years with advances in technology to analyze preserved DNA.

CcCe Moore was Parabon’s lead genealogist involved in the case. Moore begins work after the lab reconciles DNA for genetic genealogy research. DNA analysis supplements Moore’s work but the bulk exists in public records, archives, and media. Parabon’s team gets approval to upload DNA evidence to GEDMatch and Family Tree DNA to compare it with those records of DNA. The DNA records are from those who opted into their DNA being used for law enforcement matching.

The websites present any matches between the uploaded DNA and their records. “I build a family tree of all those individuals that are sharing DNA. I look for commonalities, intersections, and overlaps,” Moore said. In this case, she found matches that were distant relatives of the contributor—the person behind the DNA evidence they had.

Moore starts building a family tree with the common ancestor of the matches and moves forward to their descendants using public data. The DNA integrity, popula-



tion group, and available data impact her process.

Moore’s genetic genealogy research on the case narrowed the identity down to one potential DNA contributor: Clark.

“My reports are a highly scientific tip, but law enforcement has to do their investigation after that... We’re generating leads, providing actionable information, [and] developing a hypothesis about the DNA contributor’s identity,” Moore specified.

At a recent press conference, Major Ed O’Carroll, bureau chief for Fairfax County Police Major Crimes, Cyber and Forensics said, “Over the course of three and a half decades, detectives eliminated more than 70 suspects. Clark was identified as a strong person of interest on Jan. 3 using this new technology” of genetic genealogy.

Police obtained and submitted a sample of Clark’s DNA on Feb. 15. They found

a positive match between Clark’s sample and the DNA evidence on April 14 and arrested Clark on April 18.

“Today’s technology that’s available to law enforcement here and across this country gives police departments, victims, their families ... some sense of closure for crimes that occurred,” said FCPD Police Chief Kevin Davis.

“There are people who have been persons of interest in the case who have that burden of suspicion lifted from their shoulders,” Moore added. “The true power of investigative genetic genealogy is the ability to rule out individuals.” She hopes that investigations will use genetic genealogy early to increase efficiency, save funds by saving time, and reduce wrongful convictions along the way.

The Fairfax County Police ask that anyone with information relevant to the case to call their Major Crimes Bureau at 703-246-7800, option 8.



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passing their funding goals by almost \$1,000.

The club is federated by and modeled after the General Federation of Women’s Clubs, with diverse services in arts and international outreach. Their community work ranges from meal donations to \$2,000 scholarships.

The Lamb Center, a shelter holistically serving the needs of those experiencing homelessness, is one such place that thrives on meal donations from local organizations. CCWC has partnered with the Lamb Center for the last five years, donating meals, time, and supplies each month.

Treasurer Karen Kershenstein is chair of the project partnership with the Lamb Center. Kershenstein was volunteering with the center when she

heard about them losing a couple of groups that donate lunches. She got her CCWC ladies on the task of filling in that gap and they have partnered ever since.

To meet the safety needs during the pandemic, the CCWC members working with the Lamb Center shifted from hot meals to individual portions of sandwiches, fruits, vegetables, and more. The Lamb Center Executive Director Tara Ruszkowski said the longtime partnership with CCWC has made a difference for the center, especially since COVID and they are grateful for a committed and caring partnership.

“Every year we give donations to various charities and the Lamb Center is always included because it’s a partnership to reach out to the part of our community that is struggling,” Kershenstein said. “Fairfax is an affluent community but there are so many people

who need the help at a local level,” Paris added.

“The work we do is important and the women in this club know how to have fun while they’re doing the work,” said Paris. They come together over shared values and enjoy lifelong friendships in the process. CCWC hosts a book club, bridge group, and bunco club, and they recently took a field trip for the Leesburg Flower and Garden Festival.

CCWC grew its membership during COVID to 78 and is always seeking more. “It can be daunting to walk into a room with people you’ve never met before for the first time but you will be welcomed with open arms and we will be happy to see you,” Paris said. “You just need to find one of these groups that speak to your heart and join it. Together, you can do great things.”

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American Legion 270 wins BZA appeal

BZA overturns zoning administrator determination allowing American Legion 270 to continue operations in McLean

By Hailey Bullis
FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

The Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) overturned a determination by the zoning administrator’s office that stated American Legion 270 was allowing its post in McLean to be used as a banquet or reception hall and was in violation of zoning ordinances.

The decision was made in a 4-1 vote on April 27 meaning that American Legion is allowed to continue operations at its property in the Dranesville District in McLean.

The zoning administrator’s office issued a notice of violation to American Legion after an investigation concluded that the American Legion was renting out its property “multiple times a week” for private parties

and similar events. According to the staff report released by the BZA, these events would start between 9 a.m. and noon and stretch until 1-3 a.m. the following day.

The American Legion operates on a “special exception” that was granted to them in 1949 by the Board of Supervisors that allowed the post to use the property as a “clubs and grounds for games or sports, provided any such use is not primarily for gain.”

Michelle Rosati, a zoning attorney at Holland & Knight law firm who represented American Legion at the appeal, disagreed with the zoning administrator’s office determination that the Legion’s property was being used as a banquet hall or a reception hall -- and therefore primarily for gain.

Rosati stated that the property



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owned by American Legion is used for other events than the rentals that occur on the property including the legion baseball league, boy scout meetings, regular discussion forums with coffee, and citrus sales.

The zoning administrators’ office argued that the special exception the American Legion was granted did not include the ability to rent the property for

events.

However, Rosati argued that the special exception did allow for just that.

“We have a really old, really simple approval. It doesn’t have a limit on the events. It doesn’t have hours of operation. What it does have is a definition that says that the club cannot be used ‘primarily’ for gain,” said Rosati. “It’s not un-

limited. It may be less limited than the county in 2022 would like it to be. That doesn’t mean it’s not valid.”

Multiple residents of the surrounding neighborhood where the post resides came to the appeal to voice complaints they have about the noise of the events at the post with many saying that loud music can be heard even while inside their homes.

However, Jason Seewar, a resident of the McLean neighborhood where the Legion resides spoke to the BZA saying that his experiences with the post were similar to what was found in the staff report compiled by the zoning administrators.

“I’m quite taken aback to be hearing about there being any events outside of parties occurring there on the week-

ends,” said Seewar. “I have a dog. I’ve walked by there every day for three years. There’s no cars there ever. There’s nobody there.”

He continued, “I don’t see anything happening at the post outside of these parties.”

This was not the first time that American Legion 270 found itself in front of the BZA. In 2018, the post filed two appeals for notice of violation for the same reason. In both previous cases, the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) ruled in favor of the post as well.

BZA member Rebecca Ballo made the motion to overturn the zoning administrator’s decision. “I do not find based on the evidence presented by the county that what is operating out there is either the principal use or even an additional principal use,” said Ballo.

OPINION

FCPS should stop ignoring parents

By Saundra Davis
FCPS PARENT

Parents of Fairfax County, no matter your politics, your religion, or your creed, the time has come to put aside our disagreements and work together to save our schools. Facing an unprecedented crisis brought on by those entrusted with our children’s education, we must work together and demand new leadership that will put our school children first.

These past few years have been a bitter pill for parents to swallow. The school system has demonstrated to us all that it no longer puts the academic needs and wellbeing of its students first. While parents once moved to this county for its excellent schools, in the last few years more than 10,000 students have fled the school system. While schools lay

shuttered, the school board debated changing the names of schools that weren’t even open. While buses sat gathering dust, the school system patted itself on the back for purchasing electric buses. While the school board congratulated itself on its equity initiatives, FCPS was investigated and sued for violating the civil rights of students with disabilities.

Parents have had enough. We have had enough of being ignored. We have had enough of being told that we are not allowed to criticize a school system that no longer sees its primary mission as providing our children with an exceptional education. We will no longer be silent.

The leadership of this school system is not even trying to hide where its priorities have gone awry. Watch any school board meeting or town hall and

you will not hear any concern with the devastating learning loss faced by our children, or with how we can provide the rigorous academics our kids need to succeed in a highly competitive global economy. Instead, the only concern of those entrusted with the leadership of our school system is equity.

Yet, the word equity here is a misnomer. The school board doesn’t want to raise the expectations for every child and provide them with the very best education possible. They don’t want to fix the problem, they want to fix or “reframe” the narrative. They want to loudly proclaim their virtue, while doing nothing except lowering the bar for all of our children.

Our new Superintendent, Michelle Reid, perfectly reflects these values. She was strongly opposed

by parent groups, student groups, and teachers groups, because her record demonstrates that, despite talking a good game, she is a leader that puts the interests of students last. Indeed, in her introduction to FCPS video, she made it clear that academics would not be the priority, professing her fervent desire to use our school system as a gateway for societal change and achieve “equity of outcome” for all our students no matter what the educational cost.

I don’t know about you all, but we did not move into Fairfax County Public Schools for equal outcomes. We moved here, stayed here, and suffer the prices here, for Excellence and I do not mean the reimagined definition that includes lowering standards.

As a middle of the road voter, I have stood before the school board on three

separate occasions to personally beg them to return to the ideals of equality of opportunity and rigorous academics and to put aside the desire to serve narrow special interest groups that do not exist for children.

My pleas have fallen on deaf ears. The school system will not change on its own. It will not serve our children until we all join together to demand that it do so.

I am asking you to tune in, watch, listen and have conversations with your children about what they are being taught to make sure it is developmentally appropriate and challenging enough academically. Raise concerns with teachers, principals, regional superintendents, and school board members, but most important of all, I ask that you remember. The problems that parents see every day are not incidental or

random, they are not bugs of the system, but the foreseeable effect of a school system that has lost its way.

The only way to fix this is with new leadership. The 12 members of the school board and the new superintendent have shown that they will not put politics aside to work for our kids. They have shown us that the very concept of putting children over politics is an anathema to them.

It is time for a change. A lot of common-sense parents will no longer blindly vote for whoever was chosen by special interest groups to appear on the blue ballot. Instead, the time has come to put aside such narrow considerations, and vote for new leaders. We need leaders that will question the group think of the current FCPS administration and put our children first.

McLean Community Center goes rogue

Dear Editor,

It’s election season in McLean. Early voting is underway to elect three new members of the McLean Community Center Board. There’s a problem though: the MCC is not authorized to conduct early voting.

According to the publicly available Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) which governs the Center, “The Governing Board shall establish an annual election day, which will correspond to the date of McLean Day.” This year McLean Day is May 21. But early voting began March 16 and runs through May 18.

Early voting is offered in person at the MCC or by mail. Neither method of voting is included in the MOU. I brought this up at the MCC Board meeting tonight (April 27), asking when and how the decision was made to implement early voting for Board elections. No one could answer my question.

I also asked when and how

the League of Women Voters (LWV) was given sole authority to count the ballots. Again, no one could answer my question. There is no reference to the LWV in the governing documents regarding elections, only reference to the appointing of “tellers.”

The Board member who chairs the Elections Committee said that the League of Women Voters had been designated to count the votes because it is a nationally recognized, non-partisan organization. I challenged the Board to visit the LWV website, where they openly declare they are a “political grassroots network,” and then tell me they are non-partisan.

According to the governing documents, here are the responsibilities of the “tellers” in the MCC election process: Open and close the elections, certify the qualifications of each person voting, assure that each voter votes only once, assure that voters may vote in privacy, and tally the votes and pres-

ent them to the election committee chair along with the names and addresses of all persons voting. This places an enormous responsibility on the vote counters.

The League of Women Voters – a self-described “political grassroots network” – has been designated to count the votes, but no one at the Board meeting could explain how that happened. This means the LWV will open the ballot envelopes and see each voter’s name, address and how (s) he voted.

Given that independent poll watchers are a recognized part of our Commonwealth’s electoral process, I asked that there be a few (perhaps 3) independent observers to watch as the LWV counts the votes. This request seemed to flummox the Elections Committee Chair, who declared earlier in the meeting that the Center simply could not accommodate extra people in the building while votes are being counted.

McLean voters, we have a

problem. Our taxpayer-funded Community Center is running an early voting election that does not appear to be authorized by its governing documents. Furthermore, it has designated the partisan League of Women Voters as the sole authority to count votes. And, apparently, the Board will not allow outside, independent observers to watch the vote count.

There are 12 candidates running for positions on the MCC Board. Every one of them should be concerned about the way in which the election is being conducted. 1) There is no authorization for “early voting” in the Center’s governing documents. 2) The partisan League of Women Voters will be in charge of the vote counting. 3) No independent outside observers will be allowed in the building when League representatives are counting the votes.

What could go wrong?

C. W. Trauernicht
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DRAFT STRATEGIC PLAN

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The McLean Community Center (MCC) is seeking public input as it finalizes its strategic plan based on public feedback gathered from district residents over the last several months. MCC has hired AMS Planning & Research to help craft the plan and invites residents of Dranesville Small District 1A to express their ideas about the future programming and strategic priorities of the center at this public hearing. **Your opinion is important!**

If you want to give your input but are not able to attend the hearing, please fill out the **Strategic Planning Survey** linked at

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Supreme Court leak

Dear Editor,

As one attorney who defended the indigent accused in criminal matters – I learned that justice can sometimes be very

rough. Here’s my idea – if the leaker of the draft supreme court case cannot be identified, then every law clerk should be let go. It is very rough justice admitted-

ly, but this crime is so heinous that I cannot imagine any other solution to insure this does not happen again. Our entire system of government hinges on trust of

the Supreme Court – this leak was an effort to disparage the legitimacy of this institution.

Nicholas Kalis
Vienna

Jason Chiefetz shines and delivers as Westfield downs rival Centreville 4-1 after rain delay

By Sravan Gannavarapu
FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

Westfield Bulldogs pitcher Jason Chiefetz didn't exactly have a glorious start to last Friday night's showdown against cross-town rival Centreville.

For one, a rain delay pushed back the start time. Second, the Wildcats quickly shot out of the gate with a base hit on the opening bat. Eventually, the senior and JMU commit quickly settled into the game and allowed just four hits and one run in seven innings en route to a 4-1 victory over the visitors from down the road.

Westfield Head Coach Rob Hahne was impressed with how Chiefetz pulled through from a sluggish start and how his team responded and seized control of every opportunity given to them, evidenced by eight hits overall.

"Jason is a seasoned veteran, and we like having him in a rivalry game," said Hahne. "He always keeps his composure, and he kept it throughout the game. He



showed it a lot after the rough early start."

As for Chiefetz, he too acknowledged that he didn't get off to a hot start but said he found his groove later on, to the detriment of the visitors but to the delight of his teammates who fed off the pitcher's resilience.

"I felt out of it at first because of the rain delay, but once everything settled

down, I got into the game, and my pitches started flowing, and the team got it going together," said Chiefetz.

After the first inning, Westfield came on strong themselves, thanks to an early hit from Cliff Ewell. Ewell eventually stole second and helped Westfield take a 1-0 lead before the end of the inning.

"I was thinking that I

should attack early," said Ewell about his fast start. "Attacking early helps a lot. I always love playing Centreville; it's always a good crowd playing against them."

Centreville senior Nick Feagan would record a base hit in the second inning, but between both teams, it was the pitchers who ultimately shined. Centreville's Cooper Charneco, while giving up four runs, was mostly spot-on for much of the night, to the delight of Head Coach Tony Felt. Felt also said that Charneco's performance was impressive despite the loss.

"Westfield took advantage of every opportunity from the beginning," said Felt. "But, Cooper wants the ball every time he can get it, and he's going to go out there and compete his butt off, and I would throw him out there seven days if

I could."

In the third inning, senior Sam Marco recorded a double before Chiefetz's sac fly allowed Marco to head to third. Sophomore Landon Murphy's base hit sent Marco home before stealing second and rounding two bases for a run himself after junior Nathan Bowen's base hit. Bowen would reach home for the inning's third run after junior Joey Mitchell's triple, making it 4-1 Bulldogs after three innings.

The score would remain the same for the rest of the night, despite at one point in the sixth inning when Westfield had runners on all bases and failed to record a single run thanks to Charneco's pitching.

Senior Kyle Hahne, son of the coach, did not blow off the box score like some of his teammates. Still, his play at first base throughout the game was enough

to keep the Wildcats in check despite the big plays by Centreville senior Colin Chong, whose triple in the fourth ultimately led to the Wildcats' only run of the night.

Hahne said the team's cohesion and the added motivation of the opponent being, Centreville, were some motivating factors in helping them win.

"It's about the best feeling you get on the baseball field; these are kids that you have known for your whole baseball career, so nothing sweeter than beating them," said Hahne.

Westfield's next game is on May 6, as they head off to face another short distance rival, the Chantilly Chargers. Meanwhile, the Wildcats also play on Friday, as they go on the road to Vienna to face off against the Oakton Cougars.



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The Stevenson women's beach volleyball team swept Hendrix College, 4-0 to earn their first-ever AVCA DIII Small College National Championship. After seven seasons as the first NCAA Division III women's beach volleyball program, the Mustangs earn their first national championship.

Emily Pellini and Annandale native Shannon Baily were named AVCA

All-Americans.

At No. 1, Pellini and Baily were victorious winning 21-16, 21-9.

"Our goal this season was to win the national championship, and we played through all different types of weather to prepare for it, including some snowy days and some 90-degree sun too," said Baily. "We knew that we could make history as long as we continued to push each other and stick

together as a team. The ups and downs made us stronger, and with all our hard work and guidance from our abundance of coaches, we were able to come out as national champions! It was made even more special when my partner and I received the honor of being named All-Americans!"

The Mustangs finished the season, 19-9 their best finish since 2018 when they went 18-6.



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Jenn Grinels heads back to Vienna

The award-winning
musician brings her
powerhouse vocals to
Jammin Java



By Keith Loria

SPECIAL TO THE FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

Singer Jenn Grinels has always been recognized for her songwriting prowess, and that skill came out in full force during the pandemic, when the soulful vocalist completed three albums, plus wrote an original folk rock musical that earned praise at the Broadway World Regional Awards.

"It's a terrible thing to say, but the pandemic has been the most productive, creative period of my life as an artist," Grinels said. "I think it's because before the pandemic, touring was the main thing I did. It was all about the tour dates, and there just wasn't time to slow down and write."

Over the past decade, Grinels has toured from Denver to Dublin and opened for performers such as Marc Broussard, Edwin McCain, and the 10,000 Maniacs. But she felt her set lists were getting static, with a new song or two tried out each time, but it was a slow process in getting new tunes out there live.

"All of a sudden, I had nothing to do but write, and I used the website, Patreon, which is an ongoing Kickstarter where people support your music on an on-going basis," she explained. "So, if I write a demo, I can immediately release it exclusively to my patrons and they pay \$1 or \$2—and I had this incredible support system built in to financially support me through this time. That's

the only reason I was able to afford putting out these albums."

Her latest releases, "Go Mine," featuring all original music and "Live/Volume 1," which has her strong musicianship heavily on display, both earned critical praise and there's plenty more music on the way.

Grinels will return to one of her favorite venues, Jammin Java, on May 11 with a concert that begins at 7:30 p.m. Singer Jesse Ruben is also on the double-billed show.

"I've played Jammin Java quite a few times," Grinels said. "I'll be playing with my band, and this is the first time I have taken this particular band here. I released the three albums during the last two years, so it's been a very different process in putting together what this tour is—and which album I am going to focus on."

With less than a week to go before the show, she still hasn't finalized the set list, but thinks it's going to be a bit from each of the trio, as well as a fourth upcoming album—a collaboration with musician Alfred Howard.

"There's definitely a lot of material to cover," Grinels said. "This is my first multi-date tour since 2020, so I'm really excited and nervous, because it's been such a hiatus. Sharing so much new stuff is a little scary."

Although her touring schedule will once again be keeping her calendar filled for much of 2022, she does plan on releasing both the collaboration album with Howard, and an

acoustic lullaby album she's doing with the folk duo, Sirens Songs.

"I'm also going to focus on the musical I've written, as it's gotten really busy in terms of future productions with that," Grinels said.

Originally from Northern California, Grinels has been singing her entire life and her family encouraged her dream. She went to school for musical theatre, writing music on the side, and one of the first songs she ever wrote—"Can't Stay Here," was on her live release from last year.

"It's so weird to write a song that's still so relevant after all these years," she said. "When I initially wrote that song, it clarified for me that theatre wasn't where my heart was, and I thought being a singer/songwriter was an avenue I wanted to try. So, I gave up my apartment, put my stuff in storage, and would go to friends and relatives in big cities and play open mics, begging people for places to play."

She planned to do that for six months, but more than 12 years later, Grinels is still going strong and enjoying her life as a musician.

Grinels invites everyone to come on out to Jammin Java to see her and Ruben, who she calls "an amazing performer."

"You don't have to be familiar with either one of us or our music—we're both great storytellers and great singers, and we're both out to really entertain," she said.

HOT LINKS

By Collin Cope

SPECIAL TO THE FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES



Gunston Hall Spring Festival

May 7 beginning at 10 a.m.

This weekend, George Mason's historic Gunston Hall property in Mason Neck will host its annual spring festival on May 7 starting at 10 a.m. As the season is long recognized as a symbol of renewal and hope, come out to see the luscious green which overtakes this historic property during the season and learn more about the history of the land. The festival welcomes attendees of all ages and will feature arts and crafts, garden activities, kite-flying, food, and a plant sale. Attendance will be \$10 for adults and \$8 for children. For more information, visit <https://bit.ly/3MHUQV4>.



Mason Neck Eagle Festival

May 7 • 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

From 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on May 7, check out Mason Neck State Park in Lorton for their 24th Annual Eagle Festival. Join the Park to see live animals including reptiles, hawks, and owls up close, as well as to learn more about the various forms of wildlife in the park and beyond. Live music, food, and pony rides will also be available, with the festival hosting a 9 a.m. bird walk before the festival begins. To attend the walk, attendees must register at 8 a.m. For more information, visit <https://bit.ly/3y7AyxX>.



Onstage With Maria Yefimova

May 8 • 2 - 4 p.m.

From 2 to 4 p.m. on May 8, internationally recognized pianist Maria Yefimova will perform at the Workhouse Arts Center in Lorton. Having performed in Italy, Spain, England, Slovakia, Croatia, Russia, and throughout the United States, Yefimova brings her globally recognized talents to northern Virginia for the admission price of only \$20. For more information, visit <https://bit.ly/3vTNze8>.

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NOVA IMPROV TROUPES SERVING UP LAUGHS



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FIVE TEAMS DUKE IT OUT FOR TROPHY AND IMPROV GLORY

By Keith Loria

SPECIAL TO THE
FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

Improv comedy continues to grow in popularity, whether it's Broadway's "Freestyle Love Supreme" created by Lin-Manuel Miranda, the popular, long-running TV show, "Whose Line is it Anyway?" or even the multitude of student shows popping up at area high schools.

Improvicon of Northern Virginia, presented by Dark Horse Theatre Company and the Unruly Theatre Project, will take place at the Alden Theatre at the McLean Community Center, beginning at 7 p.m. on May 7.

The event is a competition of some of the area's top improv groups and is guaranteed to provide plenty of laughs.

Improvicon began in June of 2019, originally held in Fauquier County for a "trophy round," with five teams participating. The trophy


moves from team to team with each event.

A non-competitive round with five teams was held at 1st Stage Tysons in November of 2019, and a series of competitions were scheduled for 2020, but then the pandemic hit, so all indoor events were canceled.

This will be the third Improvicon and first since the pandemic. It will again include five teams participating—all professional improv comedy troupes, with artists from high school age, up through retirement age."

"We open the event to and invite all local professional improv troupes," said Natasha Parmian, managing artistic director for Dark Horse Theatre Company. "We try to cap it at five teams so the event doesn't get too lengthy. We select participating teams based on their reputation, style, cohesion, and ambition to win the trophy."

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Art News

Death of a Salesman Vienna Theatre Company presents Arthur Miller’s 1949 Pulitzer Prize-winning drama about the tragic shortcomings of an American dreamer. 8 p.m. May 6 and 7. Tickets are \$15. Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St. SE, Vienna. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3jWTV0l.

SpongeBob the Musical SpongeBob and all of Bikini Bottom face the total destruction of their undersea world. Chaos erupts. Lives hang in the balance. And just when all hope seems lost, a most unexpected hero rises up and takes center stage. 7 p.m. May 6, 6 p.m. May 8.

Tickets are \$10 to \$30. W.T. Woodson High School, 9525 Main St., Fairfax. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3y9SFWp.

Bright Star tells a sweeping tale of love and redemption set against the backdrop of the American South in the 1920s and ‘40s. 8 p.m. May 6. Tickets start at \$25. CenterStage, 2310 Colts Neck Rd., Reston. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3w6MUWT.

Addison Agen This special OnStage event will begin at 7 p.m. May 7, with freshly catered hors d’oeuvres and beverages served in a pre-packaged style. Cost is

\$50 to \$87.50. Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3vFx9Hp.

The Quebec Sisters combine musical stylings to create a unique Americana blend of western swing, Texas-style fiddling and three-part harmonies. 7 p.m. May 7. Tickets start at \$25. The Barns at Wolf Trap, 1635 Trap Rd., Vienna. For more information visit https://bit.ly/38Sx9L1.

Mason Film Festival This annual festival features the work of George Mason University Film and Video studies students. Through

May 7. For more information and locations visit https://bit.ly/3EQ8F16.

Maria Yefimova internationally acclaimed pianist will present “Scriabin - 150th Anniversary Recital”. 2 p.m. May 8. Tickets are \$20. McGuireWoods Gallery, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. For more information visit https://bit.ly/39DFRxi.

The Suzuki Duo McLean residents Hidetaro and Zeyda Ruga Suzuki comprise a violin and piano duo performing as part of the chamber music series. 2 p.m. May 8. Tickets are \$5 to \$10. McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. For

more information visit https://bit.ly/3vZdL78.

The Jazz Effect Pianists Zhu Wang, Wu Han, and the Orion String Quartet explore the influence jazz has made on the classical music canon. 3 p.m. May 8. Tickets start at \$44. The Barns at Wolf Trap, 1635 Trap Rd., Vienna. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3vZdL78.

Silent Towers Experience a collection of photographs that present a look back 20 years to various sites in the 3,500-acre correctional complex. On exhibit through May 9. Muse Gallery, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3tnl1bK.

Mother Line is an exhibition of works by photographer, filmmaker, video and performance artist Laurel Nakadate. Continues through May 29. Tephra Institute of Contemporary Art, 12001 Market St., #103, Reston. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3GICKF1.

Splendor of Spring NCAC artists paint with ink and watercolor, on silk, rice paper, and gold or silver shikishi boards. 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. through May 29. Free. McGuireWoods Gallery, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3K122Ws.

Community Information

Big Truck Days is an opportunity to see Herndon’s big trucks and heavy equipment on display. 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. May 6. Free, but non-perishable food donations are encouraged. Public Works Maintenance Complex, 1479 Sterling Rd., Herndon. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3ko8qRf.

Nine & Wine Play nine holes of golf and enjoy a glass of beer, wine or soda. 5 p.m. May 6. Cost is \$50. Laurel Hill Golf Club, 8701 Laurel Crest Dr., Lorton. For more information and registration visit https://bit.ly/38VZXmc.

Reston Farmers Market offers a wide variety of produce, fresh eggs, baked goods, dairy, meat and more.

8 a.m. to noon Saturdays through Dec. 3. Free. Lake Anne Village Center, 1609-A Washington Plaza, Reston. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3serWnU.

Spring Farm Day Bring your family for a great day of food, fun activities and baby farm animals. May 7. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost is \$12 at the gate. Frying Pan Farm, 2709 West Ox Rd., Herndon. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3OUk2d1.

Zumba Fitness Come get in shape while having fun with Lan Le, certified Zumba instructor, in this virtual event. 12:30 p.m. May 7. Free. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3w7izar.

Family Camp Out includes planned events such as campground orientation,

guided nature programs and hike, DIY campfire and more. Starts 2 p.m. May 7 and ends 11 a.m. May 8. Cost is \$102 per family. Burke Lake Park, 7315 Ox Rd., Fairfax Station. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3vWMqSU.

Mother’s Day Tea Indulge in a special “Royale Tea” that offers you a choice of a glass of champagne or sherry with your sandwiches, cakes, and scones. 3 p.m. May 8. Cost is \$52. Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Rd., Alexandria. For more information visit https://bit.ly/39ql4wX.

Qigong Learn the benefits of this traditional Chinese meditation and healing practice in a virtual event with Nevin Turk. 1 p.m. May

9. Registration required. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3LIVqYd.

Teen Otaku Club is a virtual event for someone who likes anime and manga. In this club, teens participate in discussions about their favorite anime and manga. 6:30 p.m. May 9. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3sbHito.

Annandale Farmers Market features a variety of goods including produce, meat, dairy, plants and more. Thursday through Nov. 3. 8 a.m. to noon. Free. Mason District Park, 6621 Columbia Pike, Annandale. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3MRKr9y.

Veteran and Military Spouse Career Fair includes two days of

opportunities for candidates to connect with companies. In person and virtual events May 11 and 12. Museum of the U.S. Army, 1775 Liberty Dr., Fort Belvoir. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3w0wNdr.

ONGOING Virtual Fitness Challenge Hope For The Warriors kicks off this free challenge May 1 and it runs through May 30. Any activity counts. T-shirts are available during registration for \$30. Register at hopeforthewarriors.org

Golden Girls Senior Women’s Softball is looking for players of all experience levels for games on Wednesdays and Saturdays

in Vienna. For more information visit goldengirls.org.

Virtual Mental Help Events and Support Recovery Program Solutions of Virginia holds a variety of free online events and support groups each week. Meet new friends, stay healthy and fit, participate in art therapy and more. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3vokjut.

Help Needy Children through volunteer work with Assistance League. Learn more at https://bit.ly/305C3ge.

Volunteer Fairfax has volunteer opportunities and donation needs. Please visit https://bit.ly/3b169oZ for information.

CAPPIES REVIEW A magical night of Matilda at Mount Vernon

By Hailey Baker
QUINCE ORCHARD HIGH SCHOOL

A child with high intelligence and wit who loves to read is every parent’s dream child, right? Well, every parent except for Matilda’s. Mount Vernon High School’s phenomenal production of “Matilda the Musical” explores the chaos and hardships of a dysfunctional family and a dysfunctional school, and how the love of a few kind-hearted people and some revolting children can make it seem not so bad.

“Matilda the Musical”, based on the 1988 children’s book of the same name by Roald Dahl, was adapted into a stage musical with the book by Dennis Kelly, and music and lyrics by Tim Minchin. The musical premiered on the West End in November 2011, and eventually on Broadway in April 2013. The musical follows the story of Matilda Wormwood, a 5-year-old bookworm with telekinesis, whose parents fail to realize how gifted she is, and would rather her focus on looks instead of books. Miss Honey, Matilda’s teacher, is the only person that seems to recognize how truly intelligent Matilda is, but she lacks the confidence to stand up to Mr. and Mrs. Wormwood, as well as the no-nonsense child-hating headmistress, Miss Trunchbull.

Each and every performer took on their roles with ease, making distinct character choices that were well portrayed and came across clearly to the audience.

Particularly, the contrast between Mr. Wormwood (Mustang Johnson), Mrs. Wormwood (Julia von Fahnestock), and Michael Wormwood (Micheal Hodges) was very well executed, with the family having dysfunction within themselves, but all ultimately bonding over their lack of love and appreciation for Matilda (Jamaya Edwards).

Mr. Wormwood was an ignorant and un-educated character, who fails to acknowledge or accept the fact that Matilda is a girl. Mr. Wormwood was extremely chaotic, with green hair and a failing business that the only way to save is to lie. The chaotic energy extended past the stage too, as Mr. Wormwood walked through the audience on several occasions, and frequently broke the fourth wall.

Edwards also made great character choices as Matilda, portraying the character as closed-off around her parents, but ultimately as a little girl who needed love and affection.

Thankfully, Matilda received this attention from Miss Honey (Yara Ammar), who although has a lack of confidence around adults, would do anything for Matilda and her other students. Ammar played Miss

Honey with a sense of clarity and warmth, that made her students, as well as the entire audience, love her.

Miss Honey’s class, as well as the older students, also did a phenomenal job, starting off both Act 1 strong with the song “Miracle”, and Act 2 strong with the song “When I Grow Up”. Their energy was extremely high during both of these songs, as well as in the turning point of “Revolting Children”, where they finally stand up to Miss Trunchbull.

The costumes, particularly of the children were amazing, and truly brought their characters to life. The children had an array of different costumes, ranging from school uniforms to princess dresses and dinosaur costumes.

The set was also incredible, with giant blocks across the top of the stage spelling out Matilda, and conveying the youthfulness of a school’s classroom. There was also a white board incorporated into the set that used technology to change the words, in a very realistic manner.

Furthermore, the orchestra was on their A-game the entire show, atop the stage, on the set. The music was truly the highlight of the show.

Ultimately, Matilda was an amazing show that Mount Vernon did an amazing job performing.



Left to right: Kailah Augustine (Lavender), El Wendy (Amanda), Jamaya Edwards (Matilda), Bridget Snyder (Miss Trunchbull), Keira Wankowski (Bruce), Veronica Keane (Hortensia), Ace Naylor (Nigel), Yariel Calo (Tommy), Yara Ammar (Miss Honey).

King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Knock

4 "The Thin Man" dog

8 Tabloid writing

12 Post-op area

13 Pace

14 Alike (Fr.)

15 Sushi fish

17 "Hi, sailor!"

18 "Burnt" crayon color

19 Melody

21 Ordinal suffix

22 Game fish

26 Looks intently

29 Chaps

30 Man-mouse link

31 Has bills

32 — de deux

33 Mythical birds

34 Capote nickname

35 Stable diet?

36 Hill of "Moneyball"

37 Raw bar mollusk

39 Impose

40 Ms. Thurman

41 Tristan's love

45 Tibia's place

48 Saltwater fish

50 Mata —

51 Hotel chain

52 Hot tub

53 Rhyming tributes

DOWN

1 Eyeglass frames

2 Antioxidant berry

3 Brownish purple

4 Reps

5 Jazzy Vaughan

6 Dead heat

7 Stores?

8 June birth-

9 "This tastes awful!"

10 Asian language

11 Layer

16 Leg joints

20 Author Fleming

23 Earth orbiter

24 Killer whale

25 "One-L lama" poet

26 Attend

27 Wrong

28 Jupiter counterpart

29 Spring month

32 Sunshade

33 Copter blade

35 Skirt edge

36 Singer Timberlake

38 North African capital

39 Steinway product

42 Privation

43 Hoodwink

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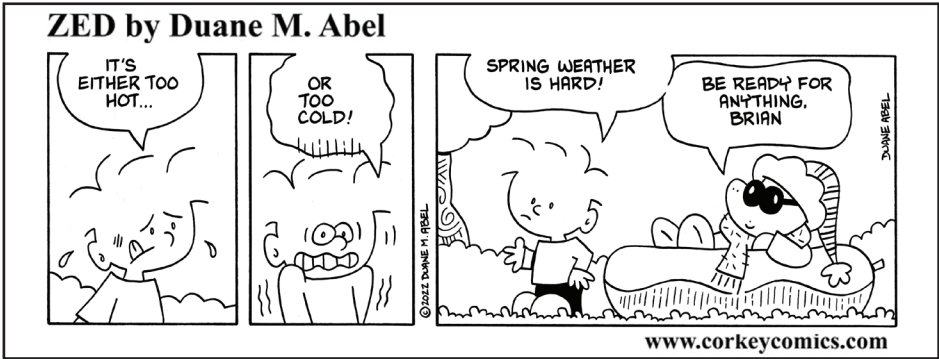
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Vivian's Pup Bonnie

Breed: Doberman Pinscher / Catahoula Leopard Dog Mix

Age: 4 months • **Gender:** Female

This little lovebug is almost always eager to snuggle or play with someone. She has to take time out for eating and sleeping, but that's about all. She was rescued from a hoarding situation in rural Louisiana.

Vivian's Pup Bear

Breed: Doberman Pinscher / Catahoula Leopard Dog Mix

Age: 4 months • **Gender:** Male

This quiet boy with his Doberman colors is more cautious than his brothers, so he will probably be very loyal to his new family. He was rescued from a hoarding situation in rural Louisiana.

Sabrina

Breed: Shepherd Mix

Age: 5 months • **Gender:** Female (Spayed)

Sabrina is an adorable Shepherd mix. She is a loving girl and very playful. She likes other dogs and is doing well with housetraining. She was originally found as a stray.

Rhonda's Six Hip

Breed: Shepherd / Labrador Retriever Mix

Age: 11 weeks • **Gender:** Male

Rhonda's Hip came in with his siblings. Hip is a wonderful pup. Very smart, playful and great with other dogs. He would do well in most any family.

Michelle's Macy

Breed: American Staffordshire Terrier

Age: 4 months • **Gender:** Female

Macy is an obedient and playful pup looking for a forever home that is ready to teach her some new skills! Macy is deaf and responds to hand signals. She knows how to sit and how to come via hand signals. She is incredibly smart! She is great with people of all ages.

Michelle's Darlings Cheyenne

Breed: Shepherd / Retriever Mix

Age: 12 weeks • **Gender:** Female

Cheyenne is quite the lady and sports an adorable spot right in the middle of her head. She has a more reserved personality than her brothers, but holds her own when it is playtime and loves to be petted. She loves to be rocked and petted and not at all afraid of a nice bath either! If you are looking for a sweet and loyal family dog, Cheyenne is right for you!



Don't be a fawn kidnapper

Courtesy of Fairfax County Wildlife Management

Fawning season is here and calls to the Fairfax County Police Department Animal Protection Police and Wildlife Management Specialist about white-tailed deer fawns on residential property have begun. White-tailed deer fawns are born in April through July, with most fawns born in May and June. Newborn fawns are often found on lawns, in flower beds, gardens, bushes, or areas of tall grass near homes. It is common for people to encounter white-tailed deer fawns motionless and without their mother, they mistakenly assume it is orphaned or abandoned. In almost all cases, fawns are only temporarily left by their mothers for protection and just need to be left alone.

Female deer, called does, typically leave their fawns bedded down for extended periods of time while they are away foraging to avoid leading predators to their young. If you see a fawn that appears abandoned, leave it alone. The mother may be out of sight but is likely nearby. Does will return several times each day to move and/or feed their young. These visits are usually undetected by people because the mother deer only stays to feed the fawn for just a few minutes before leaving it alone again. The mother deer will be wary of you and human presence could prevent her from returning. Give the fawn space and keep children and pets away to allow the doe to return and care for her fawn.

Young fawns are "hidlers" and will not try to run away when they are approached. If you encounter a fawn, do not handle or disturb it; this causes unnecessary stress for the animal. If you have already handled or "rescued" a fawn, and

less than 24 hours have passed, you should return it immediately to the exact place where you found it. Its mother will be looking for it.

You should only seek help for a fawn if it is showing obvious signs of injury or distress, such as wandering and crying incessantly, has swollen eyes, shows signs of trauma such as visible wounds or broken bones, or if there is a dead lactating doe nearby. If an animal is displaying these signs, contact a licensed wildlife rehabilitator, veterinarian, or the Animal Protection Police for further assistance and instruction.

Do not feed the fawn or attempt to care for it yourself. Raising a wild animal in captivity is illegal in Virginia unless you have a wildlife rehabilitation permit issued by the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources.

A fawn's best chance of survival is to remain in the wild under the natural care of its mother. Even under the best circumstances and with the best professional care, the survival rate of rehabilitated fawns is low. For these reasons, if you find a fawn on your property, we ask that you help to keep that fawn healthy and wild by giving it space and leaving it alone.

If assistance is needed, you may locate a licensed wildlife rehabilitator by calling the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources (DWR) toll-free wildlife conflict helpline at 1-855-571-9003, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday or visit the DWR website at: dwr.virginia.gov/wildlife/injured/rehabilitators/. The Fairfax County Animal Protection Police can be reached through the Police non-emergency line at 703-691-2131.

More information can be found at: <https://dwr.virginia.gov/wildlife/injured/deer/>.

ADORABLE ADOPTABLES

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Michi

Breed: Domestic shorthair

Age: 1.5 years

Gender: Female spayed

Michi is a petite little girl who adores having her head rubbed and getting as much attention as she can. She came a long way to be with us at FFGW, and several other kitties who also came along with her. Michi would love a home of her own to snuggle in and spend time gazing out the window and catching sunbeams.



Hela

Breed: Domestic shorthair

Age: 1 year

Gender: Female spayed

Hela is a stunning green eyed brown tabby lady. Hela traveled all the way from Puerto Rico with many other cats and dogs coming to Virginia so that various rescues can help them find new homes. Hela loves her toys and enjoys interacting most with her favorite wand toys.



Azura

Breed: Domestic shorthair

Age: 1 year

Gender: Female spayed

Are you looking for a gentle, loving young kitty? Azura is a petite little girl who enjoys playing with fishing pole toys, and LOVES her scratcher. Azura adores the window perch on a warm day chillin' in the sun. She is very excited to see squirrels on the fence, and birds flying by. She adjusted immediately to her foster family and would do well in almost any home.



Lilith

Breed: Domestic shorthair

Age: 1 year

Gender: Female spayed

Lilith came from the streets of Puerto Rico with a group of cats. She loves people and is happy to curl up in your lap to get pets and give purrs. She's ready for a cozy new home of her own. She'll steal your heart with those adoring green eyes. Come meet Lilith today!



Geena

Breed: Domestic mediumhair

Age: 7 months

Gender: Female spayed

Geena is a very spunky, energetic kitten. She loves to zoom around, chasing her toy mice and playing hide and seek, and loves to snuggle in the sun. She also enjoys scratching posts and cat trees. Geena loves attention and purrs mightily. She gets along well with the other cat in her foster home. She is looking for a forever home where she will get lots of attention and interaction with her new family, both people and pets alike.



Valencia

Breed: Domestic shorthair

Age: 1.5 years

Gender: Female spayed

Valencia is a calico beauty. She has a tremendous purr that starts the moment she sees you. While she prefers to be approached where she can see the top of your head, once you start scratching her chin she will warm up to you right away. She enjoys Temptations, making a cameo appearance in Zoom calls, and keeping her throne toasty. Valencia loves children and adores being with you in whatever you're doing. This stunning beauty has it all!



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Is olive oil safe to cook with?

KEYS TO BETTER HEALTH
CINDY SANTA ANA



One nutrition argument I hear over and over again is the controversy over whether or not one should cook with olive oil. I would like to dispel this myth. The answer lies in the quality of the oil.

Is it safe to cook with?

Mediterranean cuisine is regarded as the healthiest diet by many nutritionists, who credit it with helping sustain a healthier immune system and increasing longevity, thanks to the monounsaturated fats in extra virgin olive oil. The monounsaturated fatty acids resist oxidation and lower “bad” cholesterol (LDL) without affecting High Density Lipoproteins (HDL). However, folks often overlook the critically important polyphenols (antioxidants) in extra virgin olive oil.

Extra virgin olive oil is a

natural fruit juice made by cold extracting (crushing/pressing) olive fruit (yes, an olive is a fruit), without adding any chemicals or preservatives. The only preservatives are the naturally occurring polyphenols (antioxidants), or phenolic (phenol) compounds, that are found in young olive fruit.

You have probably heard people tell you to use a lower quality/cheaper oil for your cooking, haven’t you? The truth is that the higher antioxidant (higher phenolic) extra virgin olive oils are better suited to the higher temperatures required for cooking, because the antioxidants prevent the olive oil from breaking down quickly. The reason some tell you to use a lower quality olive oil, which they do not always understand or explain clearly, is that those oils are much cheaper. It may seem more cost effective to use those oils for cooking, for instance, but the high antioxidant extra virgin olive oils are really the best for cooking. They tend

to be more expensive because it costs more for the producer to make them, but many of their health benefits and pleasant flavors remain even after cooking, or are transferred to the food you have cooked, so they are worth the money. Mediterranean cultures have been cooking with high-quality olive oil for centuries and they are some of the healthiest societies on the globe.

What are the different grades of olive oil?

- Extra-virgin olive oil comes from the first pressing of the olives, contains no more than 0.8 percent acidity, and is judged to have a superior taste. There can be no refined oil in extra-virgin olive oil or any taste defects.
- The word “Virgin” means the oil was produced by the use of physical means and no chemical treatment
- Olive oil is a blend of virgin oil and refined virgin oil, containing at most 1 percent acidity. It commonly lacks a strong flavor.

• Refined means that the oil has been chemically treated to neutralize strong tastes (characterized as defects) and neutralize (lower) the high acid content (free fatty acids) at a consumable level. Refined oil is a lower quality than virgin oil.

Polyphenols are some of the key components in extra virgin olive oils that contribute to its impressive health benefits. The high antioxidant (phenolic) content in EVOO strengthens our immune system, diminishes the risk of numerous diseases, including heart disease, protects the oil from premature spoiling, and adds a fresh taste to enliven delicious dishes. Scientific evidence suggests that high phenolic extra virgin olive oil may help:

- Lower total cholesterol
- Slow the aging process
- Improve the health of arteries
- Keep blood sugar under control
- Protect blood lipids from

oxidative damage

- Reduce the symptoms of and/or prevent type 2 diabetes
- Lower blood pressure and maintain normal blood pressure
- Protect brain proteins involved in memory, learning, and thinking
- Reduce inflammation, like ibuprofen, thanks to its oleocanthal content

Some consider oleocanthal to be olive oil’s most important phenolic compound. Found only in virgin olive oil (with the most in extra virgin), oleocanthal mimics the effects of ibuprofen, reducing inflammation. This has a noteworthy effect on long-term inflammatory illnesses and certain cancers. Recent research also suggests that oleocanthal may help prevent Alzheimer’s disease.

More people need to be talking about polyphenols and looking for them in a high quality olive oil. When shopping for an olive oil, look for one in a dark glass bottle with a harvest date on

the label. You want to find one that’s been harvested within the last year. Pay no attention to the “best by” or expiration date, because once a producer fills a bottle from a vat of olive oil, he can extend the expiration date on the bottle for up to two years! And remember, olive oil is not like a fine wine, it doesn’t get better with age. Just like any other fresh fruit, it will degrade in quality over time. In sourcing olive oil, I like to buy from small producers from Italy, Spain and Greece. My favorite olive oil is Laconiko and it’s bottled right here in Northern Virginia. They consistently have very high polyphenols, have won global awards for their oils and vinegars and the taste is outstanding. If you’d like to try it, they are giving readers a 10 percent discount with the code: UBH at checkout. Head over to www.Laconiko.com to check them out.

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Cellco Partnership and its controlled affiliates doing business as Verizon Wireless (Verizon Wireless) proposes to collocate wireless communications antennas at a centerline height of 78 feet 6 inches on a water tank with an overall height of 69 feet at the approx. vicinity of 624 Alabama Drive, Herndon, Fairfax County, VA 20170. Public comments regarding potential effects from this site on historic properties may be submitted within 30 days from the date of this publication to: TrileafCorp.Kayla.klauer@trileaf.com, 8600 LaSalle Road, Suite 301, Towson, MD 21286, 410-853-7128.

IT Professionals
Ent. Lvl to Sen. Lvl Sftwr Dvlprs, Database Dvlprs. are needed for our Herndon, VA office. May req. traveling. Send Resume, Cvr Ltr., & Sal. Req. to Largeton, Inc., 13800 Coppermine Rd, Herndon, VA 20171

Quality Control Analyst (Chantilly, VA) - Analyz & eval company's documt control & archival systm to ensure quality contrl & compliance w/ cGMPs/ICH/USP & FDA regultns. Req BS in Pharma Sci, Pharma Chem, or Pharmacy Tech +3 yrs exp in job offrd. As alternv to BS, Asso Deg +1 yr exp is acceptabl. Req skills & workg knowldg of HPLC & GC, IR, UV, Hospitals Infection Control. Send r's w/code RUA001 to HR, Granules Pharma, 3701 Concorde Pkway, Chantilly, VA 20151

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Softthink Solutions has positions for Technical Analyst with Associates degree in Computer Science, Arts, or related & 3 yrs of exp to deploy code to QA by coord w/ Deployment team. Writ reusable, test, & efficient code. Integrate user-facing elements dvlpd by front-end dvlprs w/ server-side logic. Implmnt server-side CSS preprocessors. Attend scrums & Iteration planning sessions/Rqmnt Gatherings. Take product specs & translate to UI templates using HTML5, CSS3 and JavaScript Libraries.

Wrk location is Herndon,VA with reqd travel to client locations throughout the USA. Please mail resumes to 560 Herndon Parkway, Suite 100A, Herndon,VA 20170 (OR) email : stsi_hr@softthink.com

Lead Engineer, Financial Systems sought by Cvent, Inc. in McLean, VA. Apply at www.jobpostingtoday.com ref # 50472.

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TOWN OF Herndon VIRGINIA
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given that the **Planning Commission** of the Town of Herndon, Virginia, will hold a work session on Monday, May 9, 2022, in the Herndon Municipal Center, Second Floor Conference Room, located at 777 Lynn Street, Herndon and a public hearing on Monday, May 23, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Herndon Council Chambers Building, located at 765 Lynn Street, Herndon on the following item:

DEVELOPMENT PLAN – DP #19-01, 593 Herndon Parkway, Parkview, a development plan in the Planned Development-Transit Oriented Core zoning district with proffered conditions to allow the redevelopment of the site with mixed office, retail, and multi-family residential uses. The site is approximately 5.5 acres and is currently improved with a four-story, 134,451 gross floor area, office building. The proposed redevelopment includes two land use options both of which would have up to a 4:3 floor area ratio. The first option would have a maximum of 400,216 square feet of office, 615,325 square feet of residential, and 10,000 square feet of retail. The second option would have a maximum of 986,500 square feet of office, 12,500 square feet of retail, and no residential. For both options there would be three buildings built with structured parking, two of which with a maximum height of 275 feet and the third with a maximum height of 275 feet. The site would also be improved with private streets, a central courtyard, public street frontage improvements, and the partial development of the promenade leading from Herndon Parkway to the Metro pavilion. The property is governed by the policies of the “Herndon Transit-Oriented Core,” “Metrorail Station Urban Development Areas,” and “Herndon Metro Station Area” in the Comprehensive Plan. The application includes a request for a modification to Section 78-100.2D of the zoning ordinance regarding the minimum required number of loading spaces. The property is located on the south side of Herndon Parkway approximately 1000 feet southeast from its intersection with Van Buren Street, Fairfax County Tax Map Reference Number: 0164-10-0007C. Agents: Greg Riegler and Lori Greenleaf, McGuireWoods, LLP. Applicant/Property Owner: Parkview Executive Center, Joint Venture, RLPL.

The proposed item is available for review by the public on the town's website www.herndon-va.gov beginning May 6, 2022, after 3:00 p.m.

The public is encouraged to participate in the town's public hearing process. Individuals having an interest in the above item are invited to attend the public hearing and to state their opinions. Individuals may submit comments to planning.commission@herndon-va.gov

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the **Architectural Review Board** of the Town of Herndon, Virginia, will hold a work session on Wednesday, May 4, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. in the Herndon Municipal Center, Second Floor Conference Room, located at 777 Lynn Street, Herndon, and a public hearing on Wednesday, May 18, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. in the Herndon Council Chambers Building, located at 765 Lynn Street, Herndon on the following items:

APPLICATION FOR BUILDING ALTERATION, ARB #22-001, to consider an application for alteration to an existing structure located at 1201 Elden Street, Herndon Virginia, further identified as Fairfax County Tax Map 0161 02 0016D1 and located in the southeast quadrant of the Elden Street and Herndon Parkway intersection. This property is zoned CS (Commercial Services) and consists of 38,754 square feet of land. Owner: Chevy Chase Bank FSB. Applicant/Agent: Alan Su.

APPLICATION FOR BUILDING ALTERATION, ARB #22-007, to consider an application for alteration to an existing structure located at 505 Huntmar Park Drive, Herndon Virginia, further identified as Fairfax County Tax Map 0162 02 0156D and located in the northwest corner of the Huntmar Park Drive and Spring Street intersection. This property is zoned O & LI (Office & Light Industrial District) and consists of 221,890 square feet of land. Owner: Brit-Beco Park Herndon LLC. Applicant/Agent: Cynthia Middlebrooks, Smartlink.

APPLICATION FOR NEW SITE FEATURE, ARB #22-008, to consider an application for an equipment screening fence on the site of an existing structure located at 231 Spring Street, Herndon Virginia, further identified as Fairfax County Tax Map 0162 02 0177C and located in the southwest quadrant of the Spring Street and Herndon Parkway intersection. This property is zoned O & LI (Office & Light Industrial) and consists of 432,166 square feet of land. Owner: 460 Herndon Parkway LLC. Owner Agent: Cushman & Wakefield. Applicant: Nelson Gault, FM Studios.

The proposed items are available for review by the public on the town's website www.herndon-va.gov beginning April 29, 2022, after 3:00 p.m.

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[(Full name(s) of owner(s)):
Hanjra Corporation

Trading as:
Herndon Shell
1121 Elden Street
Herndon, Fairfax County, VA 20170

The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY for a beer and wine license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

NOTE: Objections to the issuance of this license must be submitted to ABC no later than 30 days from the publishing date of the first of two required newspaper legal notices. Objections should be registered at www.abc.virginia.gov or 800-552-3200.

3009397 (04-29-22, 05-06-22)

[(Full name(s) of owner(s)):
Beweket D Teklu

Trading as:
BD Importers LLC
4262 Entre Ct Unit J
Chantilly, Fairfax County, VA 20190

The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY for a VA Wholesale license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

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3009392 (04-29-22, 05-06-22)

[(Full name(s) of owner(s)):
Bahgi, Inc.

Trading as:
Love Lounge and Hookah Bar
11104 Lee Highway
Fairfax, Fairfax County, VA 22030-5005

The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY for a Beer, Wine and Mixed Beverage on Premises license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

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3009430 (05-06-22, 05-13-22)

[(Full name(s) of owner(s)):
Red Crab Alexandria LLC

Trading as:
Red Crab Alexandria
6244 Little River Turnpike Unit 0
Alexandria, Fairfax County, VA 22312

The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY for a Wine & Beer (on premises) and mixed beverage on premises license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

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3009427 (05-06-22, 05-13-22)

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[(Full name(s) of owner(s)):
High Run Carom, Inc.

Trading as:
Carom Billiards
13939 Metrotech Drive
Chantilly, Fairfax County, VA 20151

The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY for a Retail On and Off Premises Wine and Beer license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

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3009409 (04-29-22, 05-06-22)

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3009427 (05-06-22, 05-13-22)



FAIRFAX COUNTY
OFFICIAL ELECTION INFORMATION
June 21, 2022, Democratic Party Primary Election

To nominate Democratic Candidates
to appear on the ballot in the November 8, 2022, General and Special Elections.

CONTESTS AND PARTICIPATION

The Democratic Party has qualified candidates seeking nomination to appear on the November ballot for the office of U.S. House of Representatives in the 8th Congressional District.

There will not be a Republican Party Primary on June 21, 2022, in Fairfax County.

VOTER REGISTRATION

To be eligible to vote in the June 21, 2022, Primary Elections, you must be a Virginia registered voter with residence at a Fairfax County address in the 8th congressional district. Qualifications of voters to register in the Commonwealth of Virginia are: be a citizen of the United States, be 18 years of age by November 8, 2022, not have been convicted of a felony without civil rights granted, and not have been adjudicated as mentally incompetent without competency reestablished.

Notice is hereby given that May 31, 2022, is the final day to apply to register to vote, or to update an existing voter registration record, for the June 21, 2022, Primary Election.

Any voter who is a member of a uniformed service of the United States and is on active duty; any person who resides temporarily outside of the United States; or any spouse or dependent residing with a person just mentioned; such person is entitled to extended provisions and alternative methods for voter registration. Please contact the Fairfax County Office of Elections for information.

Voters are not required to register by party in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

VOTER REGISTRATION ONLINE: any person with a Virginia DMV record may apply to register or update their voter record online through the Virginia Department of Elections website vote.elections.virginia.gov until May 31 at 11:59 p.m.

VOTER REGISTRATION IN PERSON: any eligible person may register or update their record in person during normal business hours at the Fairfax County Office of Elections until May 31 at 5:00 p.m.

VOTER REGISTRATION BY MAIL: any eligible person may apply to register or update their current record by sending a completed original voter registration application by mail. Any application sent by mail must be postmarked on or before May 31.

EARLY VOTING

EARLY VOTING IN-PERSON: Only Fairfax County voters who are registered in the 8th Congressional District are eligible to cast an early in-person ballot, at the Fairfax County Government Center, May 6 through June 17 weekdays, during normal business hours. An additional five locations throughout the 8th Congressional District will begin early voting weekdays, June 13 through June 17, 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. All six locations will be open for two Saturdays, June 11 and June 18, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The final day for casting an early voting ballot is Saturday, June 18, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Fairfax County Government Center will be closed in observance of Memorial Day on Monday, May 30.

SATELLITE EARLY VOTING: Early voting will be available at 5 satellite locations throughout the 8th Congressional District, June 13 through June 17, weekdays 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. and **two Saturdays**, June 11 and June 18, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

EARLY VOTING BY MAIL: Any Fairfax County voter who is registered in the 8th Congressional District may request an early ballot by applying for a vote by mail ballot. Completed vote by mail ballot applications may be sent by mail, faxed, delivered in-person, or sent as an email attachment to absenteeballot@fairfaxcounty.gov. Any registered voter with a Virginia DMV record may apply for a vote by mail ballot online at vote.elections.virginia.gov. Any vote by mail application, regardless of the method of submission, must be received in the Fairfax County Office of Elections by June 10, at 5 p.m.

To be counted, all marked vote by mail ballots must be **postmarked or hand delivered on or before Election Day**, June 21, 2022 by 7 p.m. Mailed vote by mail ballots must be **received** in the Office of Elections by Friday, June 24, 2022 at 12 noon. Mailed ballots received after 12 noon on June 24, 2022, will not be counted.

CONTACT INFORMATION AND NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS

Website: fairfaxcounty.gov/elections
Main Email: voting@fairfaxcounty.gov
Early Voting Email: absenteeballot@fairfaxcounty.gov
Phone: 703-222-0776 (TTY 711)
Fax: 703-324-2205
Online Voter Portal: Vote.Virginia.Gov

Fairfax County Government Center Address:
12000 Government Center Pkwy #323
Fairfax, 22035

Office of Elections Mailing Address:
Fairfax County Office of Elections
PO Box 10161
Fairfax, Va. 22035

EARLY VOTING FAIRFAX COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER
Weekdays: May 6 to June 17, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Saturdays: June 11 and June 18, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

EARLY VOTING SATELLITE LOCATIONS:
Weekdays: June 13 through June 17, 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Saturdays: June 11 and June 18, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Franconia Governmental Center
6121 Franconia Rd, Alexandria 22310


Mason Governmental Center
6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale 22003

McLean Governmental Center
1437 Balls Hill Rd, McLean 22101

Mount Vernon Governmental Center
2511 Parkers Lane, Alexandria, 22306

Thomas Jefferson Library
7415 Arlington Blvd, Arlington 22042

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Fairfax County, Virginia



TOWN OF
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the **Town Council** of the Town of Herndon, Virginia, will hold a work session on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Herndon Police Department Community Room, located at 397 Herndon Parkway, Herndon and a public hearing on Tuesday, May 24, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Herndon Council Chambers Building, located at 765 Lynn Street, Herndon on the following items:

Ordinance, to consider Zoning Map Amendment, ZMA #21-01, 315 Elden Street, a zoning map amendment from CS, Commercial Services, to PD-UR, Planned Development – Urban Residential, with proffered conditions to allow the conversion of an existing hotel to multi-family residential with a workforce housing component. The site is approximately 6.4 acres and is currently improved with 168 rooms spread across 11 buildings. The proposed conversion would result in up to 174 dwelling units (28 dwelling units per acre). The application includes requests for modifications to the following sections of the zoning ordinance: Section 78-51.1(e) regarding maximum setback from a right-of-way and minimum separation between structures, Section 78-100.2 regarding minimum parking requirements, and Section 78-110.4(d) regarding perimeter buffer strips. The property is located at the southwest corner of the Elden Street and Herndon Parkway intersection and bordered by Grove Street to the south. Fairfax County Tax Map Reference Number 0171-02-0007. Agent: Ken Wire, Wire Gill LLP. Applicant and property owner: Elden Street Owner, LLC.

Resolution, to consider Special Exception Application, SE #22-01, 315 Elden Street, a special exception to allow for development within the FPO, Floodplain Overlay District. This application is subject to approval of Zoning Map Amendment ZMA #21-01, 315 Elden Street, a zoning map amendment from CS, Commercial Services, to PD-UR, Planned Development – Urban Residential, with proffered conditions to allow the conversion of an existing hotel to multi-family residential with a workforce housing component, which is being reviewed concurrently with this case. The site is approximately 6.4 acres and is currently improved with 168 rooms spread across 11 buildings. The proposed conversion would result in up to 174 dwelling units (28 dwelling units per acre). The property is located at the southwest corner of the Elden Street and Herndon Parkway intersection and is bordered by Grove Street to the south. Fairfax County Tax Map Reference Number 0171-02-0007. Agent: Ken Wire, Wire Gill LLP. Applicant and property owner: Elden Street Owner, LLC.

Resolution, to consider Comprehensive Plan Amendment, CPA #22-01, Pursuant to Section 15.2-2229 of the Code of Virginia, an amendment to the Town of Herndon 2030 Comprehensive Plan, adopted August 12, 2008, as amended through November 17, 2020. The proposed amendment supports the Sterling Road Multimodal Improvement Project, a Townwide Complete Street Policy, and incorporates by reference the previously adopted Herndon Bicycle Network Master Plan and Herndon Pedestrian Plan. Sterling Road is an approximately 0.9 miles long road located between Elden Street and Rock Hill Road at the town limits. The Sterling Road Multimodal Improvement Project will enhance traffic mobility while providing safer pedestrian and bike accommodations. Complete Streets is a transportation policy and design approach that requires streets to be planned, designed, operated, and maintained to enable safe, convenient, and comfortable travel and access for all users, regardless of their ages, level of ability, and transportation mode they are using.


The proposed items are available for review by the public on the town's website www.herndon-va.gov beginning at 3:00 pm on **Friday**, prior to the meeting.

The public is encouraged to participate in the town's public hearing process. Individuals having an interest in the above items are invited to attend the public hearing and to state their opinions. Individuals may submit comments to town.clerk@herndon-va.gov

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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APPLICATION FOR SIGNAGE, HDRB #22-003, to consider an application for an exterior wall sign located at 700 Lynn Street, Herndon, Virginia, and further identified as Fairfax County Tax Map 0162 51 0001. The site is located within the Junction Square development and is situated in the northeast quadrant of the intersection between Lynn Street and Elden Street. This property is zoned PD-TD (Planned Development – Traditional Downtown) and consists of 2,410 square feet of land area. Owner: LRS Herndon LLC. Applicant/Agent: Mohammed Omari.

The proposed item is available for review by the public on the town's website www.herndon-va.gov beginning April 29, 2022, after 3:00 p.m.

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