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MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD

Governor signs new bills into law

By Heather Zwicker FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

Governor Glenn Youngkin signed more than 40 bills into law in the past week including legislation strengthening school safety audits, cutting fees for sportsmen, and establishing training for law enforcement to recognize signs of human trafficking.

On April 5, Gold Star Spouses Day, the governor signed a bill into law that was passed unanimously by the House and the Senate. HB957, sponsored by Delegate Kathy Tran, it gives local governments the opportunity to offer tax relief for surviving spouses of a member of the Armed Forces who died in the line of duty.

“By taking care of our Gold Star Families, we honor the legacy of our service men and women, who gave their lives to protect our freedom,” said Youngkin. “This legislation enables local governments to give something back to families who have sacrificed so much on behalf of this country.”

Other bills signed into law include:

**Agriculture & Wildlife**

HB 1224, sponsored by Delegate David Bulova, reduces regulatory burdens on best management practices (BMPs) for our farmers.

HB 463 & SB 141, sponsored by Delegate Terry Austin and Senator



John Edwards, removes the fee for state boat ramps.

HB 189 & SB 509, sponsored by Delegate Michael Webert and Senator Richard Stuart, provides the right to propagate shellfish by whatever legal means necessary.

**Veterans & Military**

HB 17 & SB 618, sponsored by Delegate Buddy Fowler and Senator Richard Stuart, clarifies that members of military color guards, honor

guards, and veterans service organizations are exempt from the crime of unlawful paramilitary activity when the member is participating in training and education exercises, funerals, parades, or other public ceremonies.

HB 540, sponsored by Delegate Danica Roem, extends driver’s licenses to accommodate for military deployments.

HB 120, sponsored by Delegate Scott Wyatt, reduces the fees for a

lifetime hunting and fishing licenses for disabled veterans.

Public Safety

HB 748 & SB 150, sponsored by Delegate Rob Bell and Senator John Edwards, modernizes the DNA data bank sample tracking system.

HB 907 and SB 526, sponsored by Delegate Emily Brewer and Senator Louise Lucas, streamlines the permitting of battery-charged fence

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Reston Strong pushes for housing assistance for Reston’s homeless

By Hailey Bullis FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

Reston’s hypothermia shelters — which have helped house an average of 1,000 people every winter since 2005 — closed on March 31, leaving hundreds of Reston residents without shelter.

The closure of the hypothermia shelters prompted advocacy group Reston Strong to push the Board of Supervisors (BOS) to consider what happens to the unhoused residents once the hypothermia shelters close.

“With the ending of pandemic assistance and planned closure of the hypothermia shelters, there was concern that there was not a plan in place to meet the immediate near term needs of our most vulnerable community members,”



**RA board member and Reston Strong founder Sarah Selvaraj-D'Souza staying at the impromptu encampment.**

said Mary Barthelson, the State and Local Policy director of Reson Strong.

As a result, Reston Strong has helped these residents set up tents in front of the North County Government Center. A few volunteers from Reston Strong are also

staying in these tents to advocate for housing assistance for Reston’s homeless population.

There are currently 10 tents set up outside the North County Government center with 10 more tents on the way, according to Barthelson.

In a Facebook vid-

eo posted on Monday night, Reston Strong’s Sarah Selvaraj-D’Souza, an at-large member of the Reston Association Board of Directors, shared what it was like staying in the tents overnight.

“The temperature is freezing,” she said. “It’s 50 degrees but it feels like it’s insanely cold. My fingers are frozen.”

In the video, Selvaraj-D’Souza is wearing a thick blue winter jacket, a pashmina, and a knitted wool beanie. “All of those and I’m still freezing,” she said. “I can’t imagine others who do this every single night.”

This is not the first time that Reston Strong has advocated for housing from the BOS. In February, the group set

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Alex Bolden and his Best Buddies family

GMU graduate makes friends in Best Buddies

Alexander Bolden appreciates creating a family out of friends and has done that during his six years in the Best Buddies programs. The Best Buddies organization creates enriching programs for individuals with disabilities. Their programs are built on the pillars of work, living, friendship, and leadership.

Bolden’s attention began with the Best Buddies friendship program when he started at George Mason University (GMU) in 2016. He joined the program and was matched with a peer as a freshman. At the time he thought, “I get to be myself around that guy [and] have that

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**Two cats rescued from McLean house fire**

Fairfax County Fire and Rescue and the Arlington County Fire departments were dispatched at approximately 8:32 p.m. April 4 for a reported house fire in the 6800 block of Churchill Road in McLean.

Units arrived on the scene of a two-story, single-family home with fire showing from windows on the first floor. Crews quickly extinguished the fire. Two cats were rescued by crews and care was initiated by EMS. Fire was contained to one room. One occupant was transported to the hospital with minor injuries. Animal Control transported cats to local vet. Both are expected to recover. There were no firefighter injuries reported.

Two occupants were home at the time of the fire. One of the occupants accidentally spilled kerosene while refilling a kerosene fueled lamp. She immediately turned on the lamp and the kerosene ignited. Both occupants self-evacuated prior to fire department arrival. Working smoke alarms activated after the fire was discovered.

Fire investigators determined that the fire was accidental in nature and started in a first-floor bedroom. The cause of the fire was the ignition of kerosene that spread to nearby combustibles.

Two occupants were displaced because of the fire. Red Cross assistance was offered and declined. Damages as a result of the fire were approximately \$62,500.



COURTESY PHOTO

Counterfeit watches, sunglasses and a handbag valued at more than \$250,000, if authentic.

**Dulles CBP officers find the perfect time to stop counterfeit watches**

If this traveler could turn back time, if he could find a way, he might take back his newly purchased wrist watches to the Pakistan vendor.

Instead, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers seized 18 counterfeit designer brand wrist watches at Washington Dulles International Airport on March 29 valued at about \$250,000 if they were authentic.

The traveler, who is from Harrisburg, Pa., initially arrived on a flight from Dubai, United Arab Emirates on March 20. During a baggage examination, CBP officers inspected a plastic bag from inside a suitcase and discovered watches, a Louis Vuitton handbag, and Ray Ban sunglasses. The watches bore the names of 10 designer brands, including Patek Philippe, Audemars Piguet, Cartier and Rolex.

CBP officers suspected the products to be fakes, detained them for further investigation, and released the traveler.

Officers then worked with CBP's trade experts at the Consumer Products and Mass Merchandise Center of Excellence and Expertise. CBP import specialists confirmed that the products

violated intellectual property rights and officers seized the products on March 29.

CBP import specialists appraised the counterfeit watches, Louis Vuitton purse, and two pairs of Ray Ban sunglasses at more than \$254,000, had they been authentic. All products were manufactured in China and shipped to a vendor in Pakistan where the traveler purchased them.

"Counterfeit consumer goods violate United States intellectual property laws, steals revenue from trademark holders, may potentially harm U.S. consumers, and are never a good thing to pack in your baggage if you are heading to a Customs and Border Protection arrivals inspection," said Daniel Escobedo, CBP's Area Port Director for the Area Port of Washington, D.C. "Customs and Border Protection remains committed to protecting U.S. businesses and consumers by intercepting counterfeit and potentially harmful goods that help fund transnational criminal groups."

Counterfeit products are often manufactured with inferior materials in uncontrolled and unsanitary conditions and are labeled with false product information.

**Man dies after single-vehicle crash in Oakton**

A 78-year-old man has died from injuries sustained in a single-vehicle crash that occurred at 2:01 p.m. on March 30 in Oakton.

Thomas Peregoy of Alexandria was driving eastbound on Lawyers Road near Kedge Drive when his 2014 Toyota Tacoma drifted off the roadway to the right, striking a tree head on. Peregoy was taken to a hospital, where he later succumbed to his injuries. Preliminarily, speed and alcohol do not appear to be factors in the crash.

Anyone with information about this crash is asked to contact our Crash Reconstruction

Unit at 703-280-0543. Tips can also be submitted anonymously through Crime Solvers by phone -1-866-411-TIPS (866-411-8477).

This is the second non-pedestrian related fatality in the County to date in 2022. Year to date, in 2021 there was one non-pedestrian related fatality.



COURTESY PHOTO

**Smoke alarms alert residents to townhouse fire**

The Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department, City of Alexandria Fire Department and the Fort Belvoir Department of Fire and Emergency Services were dispatched for a reported townhouse fire in the 6500 block of Gildar Street in the Franconia area April 2 at approximately 10:48 a.m.

Units arrived on the scene of a two-story, middle unit townhouse with smoke showing from the front door. Crews quickly located a fire on the first floor and extinguished it. There were no reported civilian or firefighter injuries.

Four occupants were home at the time of the fire. Working smoke alarms alerted the occupants to the fire. Upon investigation, one of the occupants discovered fire in the kitchen. All occupants self-evacuated and called 9-1-1.

Fire investigators determined that the fire started in the kitchen on the first floor. The cause of the fire is currently under investigation.

Four occupants were displaced because of the fire. Red Cross assistance was offered and declined. Damages as a result of the fire were

approximately \$93,750.



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Paula Beyerl

**Leesburg woman arrested in Fairfax**

City of Fairfax Police officers responded to DARCARS at 10620 Fairfax Boulevard at approximately 3:11 p.m. March 30. The reporting person stated that a female subject became disorderly and kicked the glass door to the business, causing it to crack.

Officers located and identified the subject nearby. Further investigation revealed that the suspect had active warrants out of Fairfax County. Paula Beyerl, 54, of Leesburg, was taken into custody and transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where the two Fairfax County warrants were served. Officers obtained and served two additional warrants for Disorderly Conduct and Destruction of Property.

**APD investigates crash which injured a young pedestrian**

The Alexandria Police Department is investigating a motor vehicle crash that occurred on March 29, at approximately 2:38 p.m. in the 200 block of North West Street in Alexandria.

The preliminary investigation shows the driver, Sarah Overman, a 78-year old city resident, struck a pedestrian on the sidewalk after her vehicle left the roadway.

The driver was on scene when authorities arrived. The pedestrian struck, a 9-year-old female, was transported

to Fairfax Hospital with serious, but non-life-threatening injuries. The driver was also transported to Fairfax Hospital and treated for minor injuries.

This crash remains under investigation. Anyone with information about this incident is asked to contact Officer Wes Vitale via phone at 703.746.6178, email at Wesley.Vitale@alexandriava.gov, or call our non-emergency line at 703-746-4444. Tips can be anonymous.

**Man charged with Centreville robbery**

Andres Rodriguez, 19, of no fixed address, approached the victim in the 14000 block of Saint Germain Drive at 10:37 p.m. March 29, displayed a knife, and demanded property. Rodriguez then left on foot.

The victim provided a detailed description of the man to responding officers. Officers found him nearby and took him into custody. The man was charged with robbery. No injuries were reported.



COURTESY PHOTO

**Electrical event causes Chantilly townhouse fire**

The Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department and the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority Fire and Rescue Department were dispatched to a reported townhouse fire in the 4000 block of Spring Run Court in the Chantilly area March 30 at approximately 9:22 a.m.

Units arrived on the scene of a two-story, condo-multiplex style building with no initial sign of smoke or fire. Crews quickly found a fire in the main electric box to the rear of the home. There was some extension of fire into the void space between the basement and first floor. The fire was initially held in check until power to the home was cut off. Final extinguishment of the fire then occurred. No civilian or firefighter injuries were reported.

Two occupants were home at the time of the fire. The occupants discovered the fire after they smelled smoke. Both occupants self-evacuated. 9-1-1 was then notified. Smoke alarm did sound but after fire was discovered.

Fire investigators determined that the fire was accidental in nature and started in the electrical panel box located in the basement. The cause of the fire was an electrical event involving wiring in the electrical panel box.

Four occupants were displaced because of the fire. Red Cross assistance was offered and declined. Damages as a result of the fire were approximately \$30,000.

**Herndon house fire displaces two**

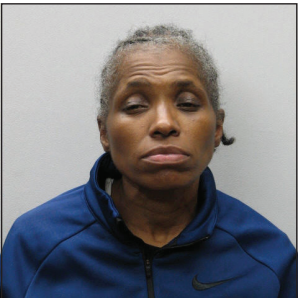
The Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department and Loudoun County Fire and Rescue were dispatched for a reported house fire in the 1700 block of Whitewood Lane in the Herndon area April 3 at approximately 12:38 a.m.

Units arrived on the scene of a two-story, single-family home with smoke visible from the front door. Crews located a fire in the basement and quickly brought it under control. There were no reported civilian or firefighter injuries.

Three occupants were home at the time of the fire. The fire was discovered after the occupants heard a popping sound coming from the basement and noticed the lights flickering. They called 9-1-1 and self-evacuated prior to fire department arrival. Smoke alarms did alert, but after the fire was discovered.

Fire investigators determined that the fire was accidental in nature and started in the basement at the electric panel box. The cause of the fire was an electrical event involving the wiring in the electric panel box.

Two occupants were displaced because of the fire. Red Cross assistance was offered and declined. Damages as a result of the fire are approximately \$25,000.



COURTESY PHOTO

Jaqueline Geter

**D.C. woman arrested at Fairfax Home Depot**

City of Fairfax Police officers responded to the Home Depot at 3201 Old Lee Highway at approximately 5:22 p.m. March 31 for a larceny.

Loss Prevention stated that a female subject was observed placing a drill in a shopping cart and exiting the store with the unpaid merchandise. Officers located the subject nearby.

Jacqueline Geter, 57, of Washington, D.C. was issued a summons for petit larceny and has a pending court date. Geter was also issued a trespass notice as requested by management.

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PEOPLE AND PLACES



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Reston Chamber of Commerce honors Valor Award winners

The Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce (GRCC) honored first responders in recognition of actions above and beyond the call of duty at the 44th Annual Fairfax County Valor Awards March 31.

Since 1979, the Valor Awards have honored the public safety heroes from the Fairfax County Police Department, Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department, Fairfax County Sheriff’s Office, Vienna Police Department, and Virginia State Police, and was originally started by the Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce.

“The Greater Reston Chamber is proud to continue the legacy of the Valor Awards,” said GRCC President and CEO Charles Kapur. “Recognizing our brave first responders, who would not otherwise seek such public acclaim, for their heroic and lifesaving actions, is a deeply meaningful tradition for our community. This event allows us all to come together and offer a collective “thank you” for all they do.”

Awards were bestowed in the following categories: Gold Medal of Valor, Silver Medal of Valor, Bronze Medal of Valor, Certificate of Valor, and Lifesaving Award.

Gold Medal of Valor

Maj. **Eli Cory**, Maj. **Dalton K. Becker**, Sgt. **Ali Sepehri**, Capt. **Ryan W. Morgan**, Capt. **Wilson W. Lee**, 2nd Lt. **Christopher L. Crawford**, Sgt. **Kendall J. Jones**, Master Police Officer **Paul J. Woods**, Police Officer First Class **Enoch J. Green**, Police Officer First Class **Nicholas J. Kirsch**, Police Officer First Class **Jacob B. Gibson**, Police Officer First Class **Christopher M. Lincoln**, 2nd Lt. **Gordon P. Sloan**, Sgt. **Sameer A. Khan**, Capt. **Brendan D. Hooke**, 2nd Lt. **Anthony C. Lampe**, Police Officer First Class **John A. Daugherty**, Detective **Sergio J. Andrade**, Detective **Jonathan M. Lung**, Detective **Stacey L. Wells**, 2nd Lt. **Richard L. Cash**, Police Officer First Class **Steven J. Malloch**, Police Officer First Class **Brian P. Donoghue**, Police Officer First Class **Roberto Castillo**, 2nd Lt. **John T. Bryant**, Master Police Officer **Mark D. Gleason**, 2nd Lt. **James A. Tanler**, Master Police Officer **Joseph H. Poirier**, Police Officer First Class **Thomas W. Champ**, Police Officer First Class **Michael D. Gunstrom**, Master Police Officer **Jonathan E. Loesch**, Master Police Officer **Sean P. McGlone**, Police Officer First Class **Michael S. Tokarski**, Police Officer First Class **Joseph S. Hensley**, Police Officer First Class **James E. Jones**, Police Officer First Class **Eugenia Metzger**, Police Officer First Class **Joelah R. Bruccoleri**, Sgt. **Brandon G. Grayson**, Police Officer First Class **Steven G. Monahan**, Police Officer First Class **Matthew B. Halvordson**, Police Officer First Class **Lane M. Leisey**, Police Officer First Class **Eric Acevedo**, 2nd Lt. **Andrew C. Wright**, Police Officer First Class **Jacob A. Meighen**, and 2nd Lt. **Edward S. Rediske**.

Silver Medal of Valor

Sgt. **John J. Donohue**, Officer **Austin J. Rustick**, 2nd Lt. **Michael Crutchman**, Police Officer First Class **Dale A. Drewry**, Police Officer First Class **Christopher W.**

**Duzen**, Police Officer First Class **Michael D. Gunstrom**, Police Officer First Class **Thomas D. Todd**, Police Officer First Class **Ricardo D. Umanzor**, Police Officer First Class **Gregory D. Eltringham**, Police Officer First Class **Jonathan D. Lowery & K9 Copper**, Sgt. **Kent G. Bailey**, 2nd Lt. **John S. Turner**, and Police Officer First Class **Trevor W. Jenkins**.

Bronze Medal of Valor

FAIRFAX COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT: Master Police Officer **Mario F. Colorado**, Officer **Luke A. Mundt**, 2nd Lt. **Christopher L. Crawford**, Police Officer First Class **Christopher M. Lincoln**, Police Officer First Class **Karl W. Mohn**, Master Police Officer **Jose R. Morillo**, and Police Officer First Class **Kyle L. Albert**.

FAIRFAX COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE: Master Deputy Sheriff **Nicholas Barb**, and Pfc. **Angel G. Romero**.

For Certificate of Valor winners and Lifesaving Award winners visit <https://bit.ly/36QnKmU>.

Fairfax City launches new initiative

In partnership with Mason, Fairfax City’s Economic Development Office unveiled, **Patriots’ Path**, a wayfinding and placemaking initiative on April 4 to coincide with Mason’s 50th Anniversary kickoff.

Patriots’ Path includes directional aids, sidewalk decals, flutter flags, interior signs on the city’s CUE buses, and an interactive map at [fairfaxcity-connected.com/path](http://fairfaxcity-connected.com/path).

To help kickoff the initiative and celebrate Mason’s 50th Anniversary, the Economic Development agencies are promoting a selfie contest through April 17 and are asking members of the Mason community to snap a selfie with any Patriots’ Path creative utilizing #PatriotsPath and tagging @FairfaxCityEDA. Participants will be entered into a raffle to win one of 20 \$50 gift cards to a Fairfax City business identified on the interactive map.

The creative concepts were designed to reinforce Fairfax City as Mason’s hometown and to emphasize the close geographic relationship between the University and the Old Town business community. To do this, Patriots’ Path will promote walking, biking, and public transportation as the most enjoyable and convenient method of getting to Old Town.

Fairfax City, with Mason as its partner, seeks to capitalize on the historic and close relationship between the University and the city that traces back to the University’s founding. Through engaging wayfinding signage, Patriots’ Path highlights destinations with easy-to-follow directions for members of the University community and connects them directly with the dynamic and strong businesses of Old Town.

The Patriot’s Path creatives include welcoming messaging like “20-minute walk to date night” or a “3-minute scooter ride to your new favorite Fairfax City shop”. There are approximately 25 creatives installed in locations along George Mason Boulevard, University Drive, and within the heart of Old Town.

“The main goal with Patriots’ Path is to strengthen our city’s connection with the University and to highlight the amazing businesses in our Old Town,” said David Meyer, City of Fairfax mayor. “The Path will promote movement and guide Mason’s community around Old Town. Once students are here in our city, discovering shops, restaurants, parks, and music venues, we’re confident that they will make Old Town Fairfax their first-choice destination. It’s a place that is walkable, bikeable, and livable for

everyone.”

“Patriots’ Path creates a real, physical connection between the university and Old Town Fairfax,” said Eric Woodall, associate vice president, Brand Marketing with Mason. “We want our campus community to experience all that that Mason’s hometown has to offer, and to understand that great food, entertainment, and shopping are only a short walk from campus.”



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Ken Traenkle



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Dr. Rajat Chand



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Matt Rienzo

Three named to GRCC board of directors

The Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce (GRCC) announced the recent appointments of the following business leaders in the greater Reston area to its Board of Directors.

**Ken Traenkle**, co-founder and principal, Verity Commercial Real Estate was appointed in December 2021. **Dr. Rajat Chand**, president, INOVA Fair Oaks Hospital was appointed in January, and **Matt Rienzo**, vice president of Operations, Weller Development Company was appointed in February.

“We are privileged to have such a high caliber of professionals joining the Greater Reston Chamber board,” said Tom Madden, chairman of the board. “Ken Traenkle brings a wealth of knowledge and is a recognized expert in commercial and investment real estate. Dr. Raj Chand has served in numerous emergency medicine leadership positions at Fair Oaks. Matt Rienzo brings 20 years of experience in marketing, communications, management, and leadership to the board. He is heavily committed and focused on serving the Reston community and giving back to our local nonprofits.”

Traenkle co-founded Verity Commercial in 2010. He is among an elite corps of just 9,000 professionals throughout 30-plus countries who hold a Certified Commercial Investment

Member (CCIM) designation. Traenkle has materially participated in more than 700 real estate transactions.

Chand was appointed as president of INOVA Fair Oaks in November 2021 after previously serving as its chief medical officer. He has also served as medical director of the Inova Fair Oaks Emergency Department for four years and served as president of Virginia Emergency Medicine Associates (VEMA) for six years.

Rienzo is the vice president of Operations at Weller Development Company. He joined the company in 2015 and now oversees marketing and communications, events, sports and entertainment

projects, and assists with business development and overall operations of the company and its developments.



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Florence Eugenia Besley

DAR presents Women in American History Award

The Fairfax County Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) will posthumously honor **Florence Eugenia Besley** with the DAR Women in American History Award.

The event will take place on April 9 at 11 a.m. on the grounds of the Lewinsville Presbyterian Church Cemetery in McLean, where she is buried. Her descendants, great niece and godchild, Jane Overington Wright and great niece Mitzi Rak will be on hand to accept the award, along with several other family members who will attend.

Besley was born in Fairfax County in 1872, to Bartholomew and Sarah Wilson Besley and is the twin sister of well-known Maryland forester, Fred W. Besley, founder of Besley and Rodgers, Inc. She graduated in 1893 from the Columbia and Children’s Hospital School of Nursing in Washington, D.C. and became the Second Superintendent of the University of Virginia’s School for Nurses at University Hospital, in 1901, serving as a nurse, educator and administrator. She was well known for her advocacy for the education of nursing students. In 1907 she joined the Red Cross Town and Country Nursing Service, and worked for 20 years at the Egerton Hospital for Children in Baltimore.

Besley was nominated for the Women in American History Award because of her contributions to improvements in the education of nurses, as well as her dedication to public health as a member of Red Cross Town and County Nursing Service, which is an outreach program for underserved communities. She was especially noted for her lectures on proper hygiene, diet and caring for the sick.

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) is a women’s service organization whose members can trace their lineage to an individual who contributed to securing American independence during the Revolutionary War. Today’s DAR is dynamic and diverse, with more than 185,000 members in 3,000 chapters in the United States and abroad. DAR members annually provide millions of hours of volunteer service to their local communities across the country and world. DAR chapters participate in projects to promote historic preservation, education, and patriotism. More than one million members have joined the organization since its founding in 1890.

Students from Fairfax County inducted into Phi Kappa Honor Society

The following people recently were initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation’s oldest and most selective collegiate honor society for all academic disciplines.

**Meghan Lankford** of Alexandria at James Madison University, **Dylan Clark** of Fairfax Station at Ithaca College, **Natalie Edwards** of Alexandria and **Alessandra**

**Mandala Kol** of Herndon at McDaniel College.

They are among approximately 25,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top 10 percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors are eligible for membership. Graduate students in the top 10 percent of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.

Phi Kappa Phi was founded in 1897 under the leadership of undergraduate student Marcus L. Urann who had a desire to create a different kind of honor society: one that recognized excellence in all academic disciplines. Today, the Society has chapters on more than 325 campuses in the United States, its territories and the Philippines. Its mission is “To recognize and promote academic excellence in all fields of higher education and to engage the community of scholars in service to others.”



COURTESY PHOTO

Lynn Tadlock

Tadlock leaves Claude Moore Foundation

**Lynn Tadlock**, deputy executive director of Giving for the Claude Moore Charitable Foundation (Foundation), has announced her resignation effective April 30.

Tadlock joined the Foundation on June 1, 2007 after a long, successful career with the Fairfax County Park Authority.

Among Tadlock’s accomplishments, she was on the “ground floor” of building the Foundation’s flagship program, the Claude Moore Scholars program. From its initial concept, Tadlock worked with several project teams to refine the program, develop the collaborative community concept with George Mason University and execute the plan to scale the program across the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Throughout Tadlock’s tenure at the Foundation, she has led the Foundation’s grant making process. In that role,

Tadlock became a mentor to many nonprofit organizations in Loudoun County by raising the awareness of critical needs and in assisting many nonprofits in strengthening their mission’s effectiveness.

Tadlock led the Foundation’s collaboration with the Community Foundation for Loudoun and Northern Fauquier Counties, Community Foundation for Northern Virginia and the Loudoun Chamber of Commerce. The collaboration advocated to decision-makers to expand funding for critical needs. It also supported nonprofits by providing CEO and Board coaching, and identifying best practices for financial management. The collaboration also led to the establishment of the Loudoun Impact Fund, the Loudoun Chamber’s Loudoun Nonprofit Fund, and the Loudoun Community Cabinet to assist and strengthen Loudoun County’s nonprofits.

While serving as chair of the Washington Regional Association of Grantmakers, Tadlock was instrumental in establishing the Virginia Funders Network. Through research funded by the Foundation, the need was identified to create the statewide philanthropy organization. Today, Tadlock serves on its advisory and executive boards as well as chairing the membership committee.

“The Foundation thanks Lynn for her extraordinary work and years of service,” stated J. Hamilton Lambert, executive director and trustee of the Claude Moore Charitable Foundation. “Lynn has truly made a difference in our community through her dedication and commitment in strengthening nonprofits that provide mission critical services.”

Tadlock looks forward to spending more time with her family and has agreed to advise the Foundation when called upon.

McLean resident inducted into Women’s Business Honor Society

**Audrey Saliba** of McLean was among the 92 University of Scranton students inducted into Omega Beta Sigma, the women’s business honor society.

Induction is open to students who major or minor in business, have at least sophomore academic standing, and have a grade point average of 3.25 or higher. The University’s honor society was established in 1982.

Saliba is a junior international business major at the Jesuit university.

The University of Scranton is a Jesuit university located in Northeastern Pennsylvania.

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How FCPS manages their buildings

Regulations, budgeting for department that should keep schools safe from mold

By Jaya Patil  
FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

As Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) works on a budget for the 2023 fiscal year, it raises the question of how to fund the multi-farious needs of the schools. FCPS is one of the oldest school systems in the U.S. and it is demanding to preserve buildings, let alone construct new ones.

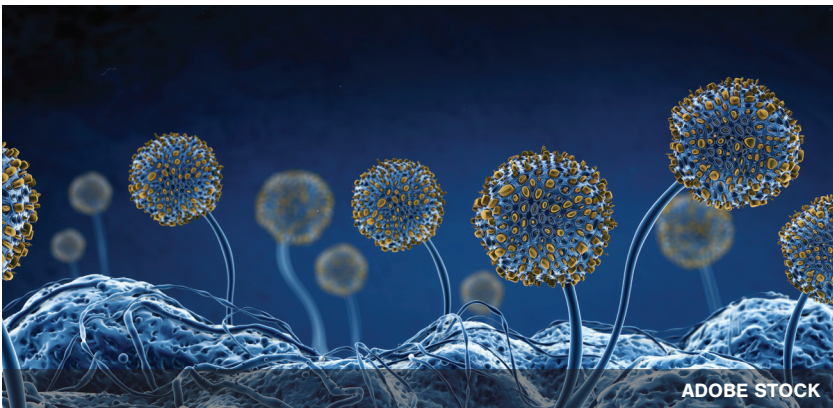
In the approved budget for the FCPS 2022 fiscal year, the overarching Department of Facilities and Transportation Services (FTS) said they “face ongoing challenges, which include... aging infrastructure, lack of capital and operational funding to meet community expectations, [and] the rising costs of construction.”

One such issue that comes with aging infrastructure is dangerous mold growth. FTS has offices in place to manage problems such as mold and has responded to issues in the past.

InsideNova reported that Franklin Sherman Elementary School Principal Kathleen Quigley sent a letter to parents saying that they discovered mold during the 2018-19 school year. The letter explained the location of the mold and the school’s response: FCPS personnel shutting down the affected areas, cleaning, inspecting, and assessing.

The Office of Facilities Management (OFM) is responsible for maintaining school grounds—encompassing damage repair, correction, and prevention. The OFM personnel who respond to such issues hold current state certificates or licenses in their trade and the Plant Operations Section regularly trains custodial staff.

Addressing mold involves reaction as well as prevention. “The key to controlling indoor mold growth in schools is to control moisture... [and keeping]



indoor relative humidity between 30 and 50 percent” requires ventilation and air conditioning, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

FCPS regulation 8534, last revised in 2018, outlines air conditioning and heating systems operation. The Facilities Management director is responsible “for activating and deactivating all central plant or zoned air conditioning and heating systems,” according to the regulation.

FCPS is praised for its environmentally conscious energy usage and conservation. The FCPS’ Get2Green website lists energy conservation and building management guidelines as such:

“Relative humidity levels shall not exceed 60 percent for any 24 hour period.

Air conditioning should not be utilized in facilities during the summer months unless the facility is being used for summer school, school-based programs, approved community use, Parks and Recreation program use, or other approved use.

Trailers during periods of mild

weather, teachers should use the thermostat to turn off the HVAC equipment and open windows.”

The EPA reports that “moisture problems in schools can result from ... conditions during school breaks such as no air conditioning or heating system operation (or reduced use) when school is not in session.”

The current published 2023 budget proposes a decrease in the total funds available for the Capital Projects Fund that finances Facilities Management.

In the 2022 budget, FTS stated:

“As facilities age, there is an increased requirement for major building infrastructure repairs... Additional resources are necessary for capital system replacements and failures adversely impacting FCPS’ ability to monitor and control schools effectively... Safety and security must continue to be at the forefront of school facility needs. The safety of students and staff is paramount to successful student learning.”

*Editor’s note: The reporter sent questions to Fairfax County Public Schools Office of Communications and Community Relations on March 12. To date, they still have not provided answers.*

Seven tips for better sleep



KEYS TO BETTER HEALTH  
CINDY SANTA ANA



Sleep is restorative, necessary, and impacts every aspect of our health, but it is often elusive for so many people. Try these tips this week and see if you have a better night’s rest.

Day 1: Eliminate coffee and alcohol for the week.

Coffee and alcohol can impact each person differently, but both can have a significant effect on the quality of your sleep. If you drink coffee and/or alcohol, eliminate both for this week. Try green tea if you experience headaches from caffeine withdrawal.

Day 2: Meditate.

Even a short 5-minute meditation session can help lower stress and quiet the mind, preparing you for a restful night. If you prefer guided meditation, there are so many apps (I love Headspace) and YouTube videos out there in all different styles.

Day 3: Turn down the temp.

Adjust your room temperature by opening the windows or using an air conditioner 60° to 67°F range. A lower core body temperature can lead to better sleep - which also explains why women with hot flashes and night sweats experience troubled sleep.

Day 4: Reduce blue light before bed.

This is most important. Blue light is emitted by devices containing LED lights such as computers, smartphones, tablets, TVs, and LED bulbs. This kind of light interferes with your pineal gland’s ability to produce melatonin. Things like blue-light blocking glasses can help, but for the next few days get imaginative with how you can unwind without technology. Reading a book, working on a puzzle, creating art, or journaling are just a few ideas.

Day 5: Drink tea with calming herbs two hours before bed.

A smart herbal formulation strategy will support

sleep through a combination of both calming herbs - like lemon balm, chamomile, lavender, and kava - and sedative herbs - like valerian, hops, or passionflower. Check with your local herb shop or natural grocery store for a sleep-supportive tea blend containing these herbs. It’s recommended to stop drinking liquids one to two hours before bed, especially if you tend to wake up in the middle of the night needing to use the bathroom.

Day 6: Eat light and early.

When you eat too close to sleeping, the body’s vital energy is used for digestion instead of resting, calming, and preparing your body to sleep. Plan to eat at least two to three hours before bedtime and focus on lighter fare.

Day 7: Take a hot bath in the evening.

It might sound counterintuitive but a hot bath causes the body’s core temperature to drop by pulling the body heat to the surface (your skin). Use your unplugged time to enjoy a hot bath or even some time in the hot tub (if you have one).

Keep a journal and record what you notice about your sleep each night. It’s a good idea to write down what time you fall asleep and what time you wake up, as well as describe the quality of sleep you had (did you wake up multiple times, have trouble falling asleep, etc.).

*At the end of the week, let me know - did you sleep better?*

Fixing your sleep won’t be a one-and-done solution. After this week, keep experimenting with what works best for you, and incorporate those factors into your lifestyle.

Not everyone will improve with these tips and some sleep problems are more deep-rooted. Some folks may have severe insomnia or sleep apnea and these need to be addressed by a professional. But, the tips above are an important place to start.

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# Brookfield’s BoxTop\$ King raises more than \$30K

Lucian Acuff led the effort to bring field trips back to Brookfield Elementary

**By Jaya Patil**  
FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

On April 1, Brookfield Elementary chaperones and 146 fifth and sixth graders salvaged the loss of their usual fourth-grade field trip with a day spent in Jamestown—for free. More than \$30,000 earned in less than six months covered what the trip normally costs the school and families.

“It was because of canceled field trips that I got started,” said Lucian Acuff, the notorious BoxTop\$ King for the last five years. Brookfield had to cancel the standard fourth-grade Jamestown field trip because of COVID during the 2019-20 school year.

His great-granddaughter had been all set to go and was excited for “the bathroom bus” (charter bus). Before COVID, Acuff found out Brookfield had to give up five field trips in the 2017-18 year because of funding.

“I said, ‘not on my watch,’” Acuff recalled when he found out. He started slowly by collecting box tops and graduated to aluminum cans and coke caps. Acuff didn’t keep the work to himself and instead recruited anyone he met along the way to help him.

In 2021, Acuff mentioned to the Brookfield principal that students who were now fifth and sixth-graders had missed out on Jamestown. The principal had recently been looking at the school’s memory book for each graduating class. She added that the majority of students said the Jamestown field trip was their favorite elementary school memory.

“I don’t care what I have to do to raise the money, I’m good at raising



COURTESY PHOTO  
**A Brookfield Elementary School student enjoys his recent field trip to Historic Jamestown.**

money and I’ll figure it out,” Acuff decided, with encouragement from the principal. Around that time, Acuff got an email about a sweepstakes game from Box Tops.

“You could play this game through the boxtops app and win up to \$10 a day for your school,” he said about the General Mills’ Unlock Brighter Futures game. “The game just fell into my lap.”

The sweepstakes started in May 2021 but Acuff got going on it after a vacation in July. “Don’t ask questions, just do this,” Acuff would say when instructing friends on how to play.

“I started calling everybody, all the people that helped me with boxtops or supplied me with coke caps or aluminum cans—anybody that was already a supporter helping me help the school,” he said. It wasn’t long before the fund-

raising effort went from local to international, with a friend playing and contributing from New Delhi.

Acuff would send out daily gentle reminders to those involved about playing and tracked their earnings by setting goals in the box top app. “He kept moving the goalpost because we would meet it and beat it,” said Jill Wilson, a Brookfield parent.

When the sweepstakes ended in Nov. 2021, Acuff and the 139 supporters along the way amassed more than \$30,000, and the field trip was scheduled.

Wilson chaperoned the Jamestown trip in the past. “It’s a great trip and it brings the lessons to life,” she said. The day’s activities involved actors, muskets, a replica ship, a gift shop, and plenty of room to run around outdoors. “If it wasn’t for [Acuff], there’s no way we would’ve gotten as much as we did,” said Wilson.

“I keep reaching out, I’m persistent. If I believe in something, there’s nothing that will stop me,” Acuff explained. As much as he respects the advantage of extra time during retirement, Acuff credits all the supporters for this win. He asserts that big goals are not individual efforts.

Acuff doesn’t want anyone to feel like they have to achieve something like this alone, and he is happy to be the first to help. “Ask people for help, because people will help. It’s just getting started,” he advised.

Anyone interested in learning how to fundraise the way Acuff did can reach him at lacuff5k@aol.com.

## HYPOTHERMIA

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up tents to ask the board to modify current zoning laws to make shelters a “by-right” use for commercial buildings for temporary transitional housing.

Reston Strong has since petitioned the board for a few measures to help find housing for the homeless community members affected by the closure of the hypothermia shelters.

One of these measures was to conduct a feasibility study for the Cameron Glen rehab facility to see if it could serve as a transitional housing unit. Reston Strong also petitioned for a pilot for a mobile mental health crisis unit located in Reston.

So far, none of these requests have been approved.

“While the hoteling and other “band-aid” solutions are important, it is imperative for all to understand that the underlying challenge is a severe lack of affordable housing, not just for the chronically homeless and other residents sheltering in tents but also for our essential workers,” wrote Hunter Mill District Supervisor Walter Alcorn in a statement released on April 5.

In response to Alcorn’s statement, Barthelson said that Reston Strong is “asking for a transitional housing solution to meet the immediate needs.”

She also said that affordable housing “is something that is long term and it’s not going to happen overnight.”

Barthelson also wanted



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to make clear that the tents were not just a display to raise awareness. Unlike the tents in February that were not used, these tents are a result of the need to find a place for the displaced residents to go.

Alcorn also rejected Reston Strong’s request to place port-a-johns near the tents for residents to use. However, the bathrooms at the Embry Rucker shelter will be open 24/7 for use, Alcorn said in his statement.

Reston Strong also asked for the bathrooms at the government center to be opened to those staying in the tents.

Selvaraj-D’Souza said that while she could have used the restrooms’ in the government center, “a homeless person [could not] go to the bathroom. ... This is a public building this was taxpayer-funded, what makes me different from the woman sleeping in the tent.”

This request was approved and the restrooms will now be open for use from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

“On the long road to prevent and end homelessness, I appreciate the help from Reston Strong to bring renewed public attention to the needs of Reston’s unhoused – and to bring a renewed sense of urgency,” wrote Alcorn.



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security systems.

HB 283 & SB 467, sponsored by Delegate Emily Brewer and Senator Jill Vogel, establishing training standards for law enforcement to recognize, prevent, and report human trafficking.

HB 756 & SB 614, sponsored by Delegate Les Adams and Senator Bill Stanley, provides Commonwealth's Attorneys with more information to protect communities from violent criminals.

HB 342, sponsored by Delegate Marcus Simon, removes obsolete language related to teletype systems no longer used by Virginia State Police.

Transportation

HB 67, sponsored by Delegate James Edmunds,

provides for more road safety.

HB 179 & SB 186, sponsored by Delegate Rob Bloxom and Senator Emmett Hanger, closes the loophole on farm use placards.

HB 667, sponsored by Delegate Will Wampler, designates "Staff Sergeant Darrell "Shifty" Powers Memorial Highway in the Town of Clinchco.

HB 703, sponsored by Delegate Mark Keam, grants localities the option to pay the fee associated for specialty license plates in lieu of the prepaid applications.

HB 1050, sponsored by Delegate Jay Leftwich, allows for an alternative driver's license issuance ceremony.

HB 1363, sponsored by Delegate Terry Austin, designates Norvel Lafellette Ray Lee Memorial Highway in

Botetourt County.

**Education**

HB 741, sponsored by Delegate Rob Bell, requires local schools to create a detailed and accurate floor plan for school safety audits.

HB 246 & SB 596, sponsored by Delegate Terry Kilgore and Senator Todd Pillion, allows for excused absences for students participating in 4-H education programs.

HB 1146, sponsored by Delegate Rob Bell, authorizes governmental entities such as community colleges to train and test for commercial driver's licenses.

HB 418, sponsored by Delegate Karrie Delaney, streamlines the At-Risk Add-On program established by Section 22.1-199.1 of the Code of Virginia to remove a program which evidence shows does not address key

deficits of struggling young readers.

**Good Government**

HB 449, sponsored by Delegate David Bulova, allows Virginia-licensed auctioneers or auction firms to transport distressed or levied-on personal property outside of the home locality.

HB 733 & SB 316, sponsored by Delegate Rob Bell and Senator Dave Marsden, clarifies circumstances for the sharing of records for children receiving coordinated services.

HB 470 & SB 197, sponsored by Delegate David Bulova and Senator Monty Mason, clarifies the powers of property owners associations.

HB 1019 & SB 444, sponsored by Delegate Emily Brewer and Senator Jennifer Boysko, accelerates broadband deployment across state

owned property.

HB 774 & SB 499, sponsored by Delegate Keith Hodges and Lynwood Lewis, creates a task force to analyze the life cycle of renewable energy facilities.

**Health**

HB 598, sponsored by Delegate Cliff Hayes, streamlines certification for surgical technologists.

HB 1345, sponsored by Delegate Matthew Fariss, adds Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters to the membership of the Virginia Transplant Council.

HB 555, sponsored by Delegate Cliff Hayes, allows health care providers to notify patients electronically of the transfer of patient records.

HB 738 & SB 691, sponsored by Delegate Rob Bell and Senator Monty Mason, requires a court order of an

evaluation of a defendant's competency to stand trial to be provided to the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services

SB103, sponsored by Senator Lionell Spruill, Sr., supports economic development by updating provisions of the Shipping and Logistics Headquarters Grant Program that was originally established in 2021.

"We are here to provide solutions to the problems that matter to Virginians and we are working every-day to serve our parents and students, veterans and law enforcement," said Youngkin. "I thank these bipartisan legislators for their ability to find common sense solutions for their constituents and the Commonwealth."

These laws will take effect July 1.

SPORTS

FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

Robinson's Sam Gerard named 2022 Student-Athlete of the Year for wrestling



By Sravan Gannavarapu  
FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

Robinson Secondary's Sam Gerard is no stranger to athletic success, and his long list of accomplishments earned another accolade.

Last month, Gerard was named the 2022 5A/6A Student-Athlete of the Year by the Virginia Chapter of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame. This award came just a month after becoming a three-time state champion.

Wrestling has been in Gerard's blood for much of his life. His father, Brett, a former Robinson student, was a D-1 wrestler, and Gerard's two brothers, Geno and Nik, also participated in the sport.

"Having my dad coach me when I was younger definitely helped," said Gerard. "I wanted to make him happy and make myself happy by going out and beating kids up on the mat. My brothers were also pretty good, so that really pushed me because I always wanted to be the best brother."

Robinson Wrestling Coach Bryan Hazard, who wrestled alongside Gerard's father during their time together at Robinson and George Mason, says he has seen Gerard's rise from day one and knew that there was something special about him.

"I've always known Sammy, and he's a special athlete," said Hazard. "I always knew he had the talent and the ability."



Gerard's resume is impeccable. In his career, he has been an individual state champion three times at 106, 145, and 152 pounds, and three times, he was part of a unit that won the team title.

Additionally, he won four youth state wrestling championships while growing up in Texas. Gerard had the opportunity to win four straight titles, but he lost by an injury disqualification because of a blood issue when he was a sophomore. However, he feels no shame or regrets about not achieving such a lofty goal.

"It's disappointing that I never got to be the first four-timer at Robinson, but I don't really have too many regrets about that," said Gerard.

Off the mat, Gerard is a gentle giant, working as a teacher's aide by helping kids with disabilities, notably his sister Alexa who has Down Syndrome. Gerard even in-

vites the kids to his competitions.

"I'm a teacher's assistant in my little sister's history class," said Gerard. "Every Friday, we go and do this coffee cart where we sell coffee to all the teachers in the morning, and it's great. I love seeing the kids."

Gerard will be heading off to college at Lander University in South Carolina in the fall. His father says it was all Sam's decision. As for Gerard, he feels that the school offered him the most out of all the trips he has taken.

"I liked the program and the coaches," said Gerard. "The school really cares about the athletes, and I like that aspect."

Though he is off on a new adventure, and his accomplishments will loom large at Robinson, Gerard hopes that his legacy as a champion wrestler and a three-sport athlete will influence the success of future Robinson athletes.

Fitness: A piece of the mental health puzzle you won't want to miss



By Robin Shultz,  
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There are so many "shoulds" these days. We "should" eat less processed food. We "should" get more sleep. We "should" reduce the time we spend looking at a screen. All of those "shoulds" point to areas we think we need to improve, but we're also experiencing internal resistance to change. But change isn't just about doing less of what we don't want to do – it can be just as effective to start a healthy habit. Often when we lack motivation to reduce some bad habits, we forget that creating new habits can be just as vital to our well-being.

Getting more exercise is a great example of a healthy habit that can have wide-ranging positive effects on mental health. Read on to see exactly what exercise can do for you.

The mental health benefits of exercise

When we exercise at low, moderate or high intensity, our brains release powerful hormones called endorphins. These endorphins create a natural feeling of mental buoyancy some equate to a "natural high."

When exercise becomes a habit, our brains become more sensitive to serotonin, which is a neurotransmitter that helps to regulate our moods.

Exercise has been shown to have protective factors for our brains in the aging process, essentially slowing down brain aging.

Regular physical activity increases self-esteem while reducing feelings of both stress and anxiety.

Finding the motivation to exercise

Exercise is a powerful tool we have in our tool belts. But how do we find motivation? Motivation to engage in exercise routinely can be tricky. Thinking first about your "why" or your "purpose" can help. Purpose is really the "why" behind our decisions and actions.

If I lack the motivation to exercise, it can help me to reflect on

my purpose. For example, "My goal is to feel different when I'm under a cloud of stress and anxiety after a particularly challenging shift at work." Science tells us that exercise can help reduce stress and anxiety. This means that exercise can help me be compassionate and gentle with myself in a challenging moment, rather than tearing myself down further with negative coping methods.

A second strategy to try is to start small. Start with a small step, and then work your way toward the goal of consistently engaging in exercise over time. This approach gives you time to experience the benefits of exercise firsthand, making you want to continue. It also takes the pressure off, because you don't have to complete an intensive program or cross a finish line that feels worlds away.

Third, make it fun. Tell people about your new habit, and they will help keep you accountable. Invite others to join you for a walk or encourage neighbors to stop by for an outdoor yoga class.

Soon, you'll be reaping the mental health benefits of exercise for yourself.

Need some mental health support?

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## FCPS's military children deserve more support

Dear Editor,

As we enter the "Month of the Military Child," the Fairfax County Parents Association celebrates our military children and calls on Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) to honor students and families who sacrifice for our nation by consistently providing military children with the resources they need. With increased conflict in the world today, we ask FCPS to increase its active awareness and support for the almost 15,000 active-duty military children and thousands of National Guard and Reserve children in FCPS.

Our military children carry with them firsthand knowledge of service and sacrifice. They are often asked to change schools every 1-3 years and say goodbye to a parent on a deployment or extended duty assignment. They also bring with them the need for extra support and resources to take advantage of their guaranteed free and appropriate education, even though their time within FCPS might be short. Military children often move to FCPS in the middle of a school year or too late to be considered for special programs and extracurricular activities. They may need additional support including proper class placement, particularly when parents get orders to move to the area months after application deadlines. We strongly believe that FCPS should recognize and overcome these obstacles by prioritizing efforts to address the needs of military children, from advanced academic placement to special educational resources, regardless of paperwork deadlines in the bureaucracy. Special care must

be given to ensure military children have timely 504 and IEP plans and services.

Additionally, FCPS should follow the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission by ensuring credits from one school in one state transfer to another school in another state. FCPS schools should continue to participate in the Purple Star Schools program and have trained school Military Family Life Counselors available.

Many of these services are paid for through government funding, grants, military nonprofits, and through the Federal Impact Aid that each military child brings to a school district regardless of whether they live on a military installation (notably, most military families in Fairfax County do not live on base). Given the financial resources military children bring to FCPS, and in honor of the sacrifice they and their families make, FCPS needs to ensure these children are given every opportunity to have a full and meaningful education while in Fairfax County.

Finally, although military families move frequently and often do not vote in Fairfax County, we believe that they should still be afforded a voice when it comes to their children's education. We urge FCPS to provide military families with a representative seat at the school board table to ensure the school system is following state and federal laws designed to protect this special class of children and helping these children make the most of their time in FCPS.

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## Governor Youngkin: You're right, students in public schools are struggling, but not because of "divisive concepts"

Dear Editor,

Governor Youngkin campaigned on a promise of becoming the "education governor," but his recent executive order designed to eliminate "inherently divisive concepts" from the public school curriculum reveals that it is he who needs to be educated. Governor Youngkin should abandon this effort to eliminate "divisive concepts" altogether and instead focus on what we, as students, really need to flourish in Virginia's public schools.

First, as a junior in a Fairfax County high school, I can tell you that prohibiting classroom discussions of systemic racism is *not* the first step necessary to improving our education system, as the Governor suggested. The kids I've seen struggle the most over the years aren't struggling because they are upset about "divisive concepts"—they are struggling because they are hungry (food at home is inadequate and the school meals are too small), exhausted (they have after-school jobs to help pay household bills), and stressed (their parents are absent and working multiple jobs). Meeting students' basic needs should be

the Governor's top education priority, not changing our curriculum to make white students feel more comfortable.

Second, this campaign to strip schools of divisive concepts will not equip us to be ready for the future, as the Governor has claimed. In an estimated twenty years, the U.S. will be "minority white" because racial minorities are driving population growth. Our future is undoubtedly diverse, and if students want to be ready for that future, we need chances to discuss the challenges of living in a diverse society. That means we also need to learn about the *real* history of our nation, including its shameful chapters, and their legacy today. Don't worry, Governor — we can handle it.

Finally, what Youngkin and his administration really need to understand is that students know racism exists, whether the public school curriculum acknowledges it or not. As a seventeen-year-old white student who goes to a public high school that is majority Black and Hispanic, I have witnessed countless examples of racism. I watch my friends, who are mostly Black, being closely watched in malls while I am not. I see them being told to "move on"

in public spaces and to stop being "disruptive" while I am not. I see their language and clothing choices being policed in ways that mine are not. Whether or not Youngkin succeeds in his effort to eliminate "inherently divisive concepts" from public education, he can't change what we as students have already seen: people of color in this country face obstacles that white people do not.

Governor Youngkin, if you really want to be Virginia's education governor, please drop efforts like this attempt to root out divisive concepts from the classroom and start with the basics. Since you didn't send your kids to public schools, perhaps you need to get to know us a bit. We are the kids whose education and future you say you want to improve. Come hear what we experience every day and what we need to be successful. I'll have to ask my Principal for permission, but if she allows it, I'd be happy to host you at Edison High School, where you can start your student listening tour.

Cooper Herman

## Month of the military child

Dear Editor,

Since our nation's founding, the Military has always been a cornerstone of The United States of America. Military Spouses, such as Molly Pitcher, who picked up Arms after her husband was killed on the battlefield and Libby Custer, who began the trend of families living with their Soldier while on campaigns out west, even pitched a tent on the Parade Field at Camp Riley, Kansas until permanent homes were built for families.

But there is another often forgotten member of our military families in history. They are America's Military Children who serve alongside their Military parents (s) who play a crucial role in our nation's history.

April is known as the Month of the Military Child; it's a time when we recognize and give thanks to the youngest members of

our Military Family who don't have a choice but to participate in this lifestyle. These members are born into this life, many times without their Military Parent by their side, and are the ones who experience the most change. We ask them to continuously move, change schools, make new friends, and adapt to new surroundings year after year with no true end in sight.

Since 9/11, we have asked these children to deal with over 20+ years of deployments overseas or extended training away from parents and the stress of

not knowing if their parent will return.

America's Military Children show us what true adaptability is, what true friendships are, and although they might not have deep roots anywhere, they are children of the country and the world.

This month I celebrate my Military Service Member, who was a Military Child until he raised his right hand to serve alongside his father and brother. Together we celebrate our two boys, who, at 10 and 7, will move this summer to their

8th and 6th states in their short lives.

Our family celebrates all of America's Military Children who serve alongside their families and continuously show us how beautiful, challenging, and tremendously rewarding it is to serve our Nation every day.

K. Cody  
Combat Veteran, Active-Duty Spouse, Proud Parent to two Military Children, and Military Child Education Advocate

## Supporting low-cost transit

Dear Editor,

If there were any questions about the importance of quality local bus service, the experience of the pandemic should have dispelled those doubts. Many of the people staffing our supermarkets, doctor's offices and other essential services rely on local bus service to get to their jobs. Amid the peak of the pandemic, Fairfax Connector still carried nearly 1 million riders in the first three months of 2021.

Reducing — or better yet, eliminating — the costs of riding our buses will benefit all of us. Even if we

never step on a bus, we all rely on transit to power our economy. I was very glad that the General Assembly recognized this by passing legislation this year to expand available state funding for local transit fleets to adopt reduced or zero-fare service. Senator George Barker sponsored this new law (SB342), which raises the cap of the funds under the state's Transit Rider Incentive Program that can be used for reduced or zero-fare transit projects. In addition, formula changes in the new law will make it easier for larger jurisdictions like Fairfax County to access state funding to reduce

or eliminate fares. Delegate McGuinn also sponsored a similar bill, HB 142, which passed in the house. This legislation is on its way to the governor's desk to become law.

Already, the City of Fairfax has adopted a three-year pilot program for zero-fare service in its CUE bus system. Now that more funds are available, I hope Fairfax County will take advantage of the opportunity to reduce the costs paid by commuters on whose contributions to our economy and communities we all depend.

Catherine Carver  
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# Silver Line delayed again

Officials unhappy with lack of progress

By **Sravan Gannavarapu**  
FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

Once again, the opening of the Metro’s Silver Line extension to Dulles International Airport has been delayed. Previously thought to be turned over to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) last month, the delay now extends potential opening until late summer.

Local congressional representatives are not pleased. In a letter to the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority (MWAA), Congresswoman Jennifer Wexton (D-10), along with other officials, cited disappointment in the delay.

“We were disappointed to hear WMATA General Manager and CEO Paul Wiedefeld’s update to the WMATA Board of Directors on March 24, 2022, that, based on WMATA’s tracking of MWAA’s delivery schedule, the Phase 2 extension will not reach operational readiness by the end of this month,” the letter read.

Marcia McAllister, communications manager for the Silver Line, says they are currently in the final stages of getting ready for Metro to take over the project. Still, the decision to set a transfer date is to be made by WMATA.

“We have to meet all sorts of state and federal regulations,” said McAllister. “We have to test it, and if something isn’t working properly, we fix it and test again with the goal of making this the safest possible project it can be.”

McAllister says there are two different contractors building this project. Capital Rail Constructors, in charge of the stations and tracks, and Hensel Phelps, which builds the rail yard.



PHOTO COURTESY MWAA

“There have been a lot of people in different segments of the project, naming dates, since we started building this project,” said McAllister. “Those dates are usually someone’s very best estimate and subject to change. This is one of the largest public infrastructure projects underway anywhere. As such, you expect delays and complications.

“We are working with WMATA and both contractors to resolve outstanding issues, many of which have surfaced during intense testing undertaken since the final connections between Phases 1 and 2 were made last fall,” she said.

Martha Coello, Special Products Division chief of the Fairfax County Department of Transportation, says the goal is to open it by early summer. However, that has not stopped criticism from flowing in their direction.

Fairfax County Board Chairman Jeff McKay has said that the continued delay is becoming more of a joke whenever a new date is announced.

“We’re all obviously very frustrated in the timeline and sliding schedule,” said McKay.

Currently in Phase Two, the project was initially scheduled to

open in 2018. It has now been four years, and delays have become inevitable. At the recent Metro Board of Directors meeting, Wiedefeld said that the issues delaying the opening are outside of Metro’s hands.

“As we do not have the anticipated date for operational readiness, we cannot speculate about the next possible window for our service launch,” said Wiedefeld. “I know the board shares disappointment that we will not be cutting a ribbon together on the Silver Line this spring.

Metro Board Chairman Paul Smedberg says he is not pleased with the delay, citing how they have been hearing consistently about delays and other issues for several months.

“The Silver Line extension is not only important to the region, but it is important to Virginia, and it is an area where we have real potential to help the transit needs of this region and increase ridership for Metro,” said Smedberg.

Wiedefeld said that it was important to give the airport’s authority the time it needs to work with its contractor to turn over the safest and most high-quality system possible to serve customers and communities for many years to come.

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brotherhood or sisterhood.”

When he lost his job at the GMU recreation facility, with encouragement from his personal community, Bolden sought out help from the Best Buddies jobs program. An assigned job coach worked with him on identifying his options. Bolden kept an eye out for available work and found it at his usual post-workout spot-Smoothie King.

The experience with Best Buddies is tailored to each individual’s needs and strengths. Bolden had a diverse resume before he went to the job program for help, but his job coach supported him with motivation and direction.

He had the initiative to immediately apply and his job coach accompanied him to the interview—which proved to be a success. He now works in customer service at Smoothie King. “That’s what I do, I love customers,” he said.

“Everyone from the jobs program does a great job of helping so many people with disabilities find meaningful employment. There are so many words to describe [Best Buddies]. They’re reliable [and] know what they’re doing. They have amazing red capes, like Superman,” he said.

Since graduating from GMU, Bolden remains active with Best Buddies. He was introduced to his current peer buddy, Alex S., and they’ve been going to movies and the gym together ever since. Bolden built a brotherhood with Alex that will stand despite Alex’s upcoming move to New York. “We’re family now,” Bolden said.

“They’re more than just my friends,” Bolden said about all of the people he met

through Best Buddies—from job coaches to peers. Everyone in the organization will “set the bar higher for any expectations and they want you to fulfill that,” he said.

“Best Buddies will push you—not physically—when you know that you can do something that will have you succeed in so many things,” said Bolden.

Bolden has seen how the Best Buddies organization actively follows through on the mission they live by. His experience, plus his passion for interaction, has led him to the ambassador program as part of Best Buddies’ leadership pillar.

He explained that being an ambassador is all about sharing your personal story and bringing what’s internal to the surface. “Thanks to the ambassadors, I got selected and might be talking at the Best Buddies Friendship Walk in D.C. at the mall,” Bolden said.

“I can see a big future for Best Buddies,” he said. The Best Buddies community and their presence in public spaces “shows how much Best Buddies has affected everyone else’s life.”

“[Having] a disability does not mean that we’re useless. We want to try things,” Bolden emphasized. He has an apartment in town, spends as much time outdoors as possible, and has competed with U.S. Masters Rowing, but Bolden’s aspirations don’t end there.

Bolden has his sights set on the way things can and have come together to merge. This is especially important to him when it comes to areas where people stand divided, such as with race and disability. On those topics, he wants to “have [conversations] about the best way to talk about it,” he said; that way, anyone can be family.

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# The Bacon Brothers back at The Birchmere

*Actor Kevin Bacon and composer Michael Bacon bring some brotherly love to the stage*

**By Keith Loria**

SPECIAL TO THE FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

The name Kevin Bacon is often associated with the actor’s high-profile movies (“Footloose,” “Apollo 13,” “A Few Good Men”) or the popular Six Degrees of Kevin Bacon game named after him. Meanwhile, the name Michael Bacon is famous for his prowess as a composer, as he has crafted hundreds of musical scores for both film and TV.

Together, they have spent the past two decades taking time away from their respective careers to record music and hit the road each year to perform as the Bacon Brothers.

“We’ve been doing this for several decades if you go back to when we first had instruments in our hands,” Michael said. “It was just a natural thing for Kevin and I to do things together. I discovered early on that he had a natural gift for sharing sentiments that were personal to him, but in fact universal as far as most people were concerned. That’s really the essence of what our band has been all about and it’s been immensely satisfying to us.”

The Philadelphia-bred siblings sing, write songs and both play guitar and it’s clear that they don’t just consider this a side job. Kevin adds harmonica and percussion to the mix and Michael shows off his classical training on the cello—and their songs could easily fit in with the radio hits one hears each day.

“Both of us have a strong work ethic and a desire to create,” Kevin said. “It can be overwhelming at times, especially when considering our other obligations. I’m not one who’s drawn to relaxation. If I finish



PHOTO BY CHARLES CHESSLER

one task, I’m always drawn to do something else or get another job. I’m always hungry to work on something, and often that’s when the songs pop up. So that gives me another reason to continue to create.”

The brothers will be heading to The Birchmere for two nights, April 11 and 12, with their longtime bandmates, Paul Guzzone (bass, backing vocals), Joe Mennonna (keyboards, accordion), Tim Quick (lead guitar, mandolin, backing vocals) and Frank Vilardi (drums).

“The Birchmere is a great listening room and built for songwriters,” Kevin said. “People are encouraged to listen and enjoy the music. There are certain pockets of the country that we return to time and time again, and when you’re not a ‘radio band,’ people generally are not familiar with the music. But that challenge is eased because people come back each time and know the vibe of our band. That’s really fun and we love play-

ing there.”

While the duo—who live on separate coasts most of the year—are sometimes too busy to find time to get new songs out or even see each other outside of special occasions and their annual tour, they used the pandemic to get some quality Bacon time together.

The Bacon Brothers stayed extremely productive throughout the pandemic, producing four videos, serving as judges in the American Songwriter Lyric Competition, and performing in a September 11 tribute at the World Trade Center. They also found time to finish a live recording and record an EP with new music that will be released soon.

“We have these new songs that we’ll be playing at the show, and we have some of the old stuff in the set as well,” Michael said. “We have a single coming out called,

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# See a Fetch Show at Kennedy Center



*The musical “Mean Girls” returns to D.C.*

PHOTO BY JENNY ANDERSON

**Pictured (L-R): Megan Masako Haley, Nadina Hassan, Jonalyn Saxer and Danielle Wade.**

**By Keith Loria**

SPECIAL TO THE FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

Ever since “Mean Girls” arrived on movie screens in the summer of 2004, fans of the cult movie have quoted lines and clamored for more story from its writer, comedian Tina Fey. They finally got their wish when Fey decided to turn the film into a musical, and it instantly had Broadway

audiences shouting “Fetch!”

Premiering at the National Theatre in Washington, D.C. during the fall of 2017, the musical, directed by Tony winner Casey Nicholaw, with a book by Fey, original music by Jeff Richmond and lyrics by Nell Benjamin, became an instant success. The show opened on Broadway the next year and was one of the biggest hits during its run—cut short only by the pan-

demic.

Now, “Mean Girls” is returning to the city where it started, with the show’s tour playing the Kennedy Center April 5-24.

The story will be familiar to fans of the movie, though it’s set in more present-day, yet still includes the same razor-sharp wit and remarkable insights from the movie.

Much like the movie’s plot, after years of living with her zo-

ologist parents in Africa, Cady Heron moves to Illinois and must find where she fits in the social hierarchy. She quickly attracts the attention of The Plastics, a trio of popular frenemies led by the vicious and calculating Regina George. When Cady devises a plan to end Regina’s reign, she learns that you can’t cross a Queen Bee without getting stung.

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## HOT LINKS

**By Collin Cope**  
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### Spring Garden Market

**April 8 - 9 • 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.**

On April 8 through April 9, check out the American Horticultural Society’s Spring Garden Market. Featuring more than 40 vendors with various vegetables, plants, seedlings, and pollinator plants, this event aims to educate the public through guidance by master gardeners on the site, as well as function to excite the public about the rebirth of the spring season. Additionally, guests will have the ability to take market goods home to bring the springtime vibes to their own neighborhoods. For a \$20 parking donation, guests will be able to wander the grounds from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m., so come on down to Alexandria for this unique experience in the community. For more information, visit <https://bit.ly/3v0TNs4>.



### Bluebells at the Bend Festival

**April 9 • 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

On April 9, Riverbend Park in Great Falls hosts this year’s celebration of spring with wildflower walks featuring beautiful Virginia Bluebell flowers sprouting throughout the park. In addition to the scenery, guests will be entertained with live music, animals, crafts and food trucks. With two ticketed sessions available from 10 a.m. to noon and noon to 2 p.m., the park aims to attract as many residents as possible. For more information, visit <https://bit.ly/3x3IqIN>.



### Founder’s Day at Lake Anne

**April 9 • Starting at noon**

Check out Reston Museum’s annual Founder’s Day Celebration in recognition of founder Robert E. Simon, Jr. and the centennial birthday of Reston community artist, Gonzalo Fonseca. Seen around the grounds of Lake Anne, Fonseca’s sculptures were an expression of his talent which encapsulated his knowledge as a traveler beyond regions of his own. In honor of these men, there will be free performances and activities available to all who are interested starting at noon in Reston’s Lake Anne Plaza on April 9. For more information, visit <https://bit.ly/3x1Kgn0>.



## Art News

**IN Series** Two world premiere operas “Our Queer Mother, Gabriela,” featuring the poems of Gabriela Mistral and “Zavala-Zavala,” inspired by the story of separation and survival at the U.S-Mexican border. 7:30 p.m. April 8. Tickets start at \$15. McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/3jblpEn>.

**Founders Day** Celebrate the anniversary of Reston’s founding with the Reston Historic Trust and Museum, RCC and Public Art Reston. Noon to 4 p.m. April 9. Free. Reston Museum 1639 Washington Plaza, Reston. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/3DLk29W>.

**Handmade Spring Egg Workshop** Celebrate the

arrival of spring with our homemade take-home activity kits. Pick up your kit from 1 to 2:30 p.m. April 9. Cost is \$5 to \$10. Tephra Institute of Contemporary Art, 12001 Market St., #103, Reston. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/3x7ezca>.

**123 Andres** a high-energy children’s duo, will get kids and families singing and dancing in English and Spanish. 3 p.m. April 9. Tickets start at \$5. CenterStage, 2310 Colts Neck Rd., Reston. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/3NUG2UE>.

**Second Saturday Art Walk** All campus studio buildings will be open and the talented artists there will be thrilled to chat about their works and processes. 6 to 9 p.m. April

9. Free. Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/3x8BdAY>.

**Dancing into the 20s** Journey back a hundred years to the 1920s for a concert of popular music and concert selections of that decade with the City of Fairfax Band, featuring a performance by Rhapsody in Blue. 7:30 p.m. April 9. Tickets are \$10 to \$15. Fairfax High School Auditorium, 3501 Lion Run, Fairfax. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/3uXgloc>.

**International Film & Music Festival** The NOVA Fest is converting to an All Video on Demand platform. View movies anytime you wish and in any order. Through April 10. For more

information visit [novafilmfest.com](https://novafilmfest.com).

**Music Together Classes** For 45 minutes each week for eight weeks, you and your child will experience fun-filled family music time. Classes begin April 12. Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/37mVtnv>.

**Tom Paxton & The DonJuans** Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award-winner and folk icon, Tom Paxton, teams up with the Grammy-winning singer-songwriter duo The DonJuans: Don Henry and Jon Vezner. 8 p.m. April 13. Tickets start at \$26. The Barns at Wolf Trap, 1635 Trap Road, Vienna. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/3x9nhGQ>.

**People & Places Along the Potomac** The theme is a series of relief prints illustrating aspects of American history and life along the Potomac River, including Old Town Alexandria, and the early settlements and industry that extended deep into the Appalachians in a solo exhibition by John Gosling. Through April 30. Torpedo Factory Art Center Studio 14, 105 North Union St., Alexandria. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/3wChN7z>.

**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

**Oakton Year-Round Farmers Market** This market serves a fiercely loyal shopper base with vendors offering high-quality produce, fruits, honey, breads, meats, eggs, and dairy, as well as baked goods and coffee. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 9. Unity of Fairfax Church, 2854 Hunter Mill Rd., Oakton. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/3ujvsiK>.

**Rock and Crevice Gardens** Judy Zatsick, vice president of the local chapter of the North American Rock Garden Society, shows you the essential elements of a beautiful rock garden, both large and small, for sun and shade, and explains how you can create one of your very own. 10:30 a.m. April 9. Cost is \$18. Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/3v1pod8>.

<https://bit.ly/3Jffqde>.

**All-American Doll Tea Party** Go over Victorian table etiquette, eat tea sandwiches and tasty sweets, try multiple types of delicious teas, and play a few historic party games in-between. 11 a.m. April 9. Cost is \$15. Colvin Run Mill, 10017 Colvin Run Rd., Great Falls. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/3NTCWQA>.

**Underwater Egg Hunt** The Easter Bunny is missing hundreds of eggs, and they have been found floating in the RCC pools. Come splash, swim and hunt – each child will receive a goody bag upon the competition the event. 12:30 to 4 p.m. April 9. Cost is \$4 to \$8. Aquatics Center at RCC Hunters Woods, 2310 Colts Neck Rd., Reston. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/3v1pod8>.

**Spring Parking Lot Sale** The sale offers a wide variety of gently used household goods, electronics, furniture, clothes, appliances and other items. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 10. Free. McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/3NScmYc>.

**NOVA Central Farm Market** features fresh local pork, chicken, fish, cheeses, produce, dairy, baked goods, prepared foods to go, eggs, flowers, and ice cream. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 10. Free. Marshall High School, 7731 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/3GUNBpm>.

**Easter Egg Hunt & Touch a Truck** Come and see large trucks on display for kids to explore up close. There will be several egg

hunts throughout the event, so everyone who stops by will get a chance to hunt eggs and get treats. 2 to 4 p.m. April 10. Free. St. Matthew’s UMC, 8617 Little River Turnpike, Annandale. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/37p3hFi>.

**Qigong** Learn the benefits of this traditional Chinese meditation and healing practice in this virtual event with Nevin Turk. 1 p.m. April 11. Registration is required. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/3x4FyFr>.

**Night Sky Tour** This program is a fun tour of planets, constellations, stars, nebulas, and galaxies in the night sky that can be seen with the eye and in telescopes at the Roll-Top observatory. 7:15 p.m. April 12. Cost is \$8. Turner Farm, 925 Springvale Rd.,

Great Falls. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/3LP86Hd>.

**Historic Desserts** Learn the challenges of cooking in the 1800s. Make historic desserts over an open hearth. 6 p.m. April 13. Cost is \$10. Ellanor C. Lawrence Park, 5040 Walney Rd., Chantilly. For more information visit <https://bit.ly/3JdW48A>.

**ONGOING**

**Easter Egg Hunts in the Garden** Hunters will use their Easter egg fun find sheets to keep track of which eggs they have found along the Bunny Trail and then turn them in for goodie bags full of Easter eggs. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on April 11, 12 and 13. Cost is \$8. Meadowlark Botanical Gardens, 9750 Meadowlark Gardens Ct., Vienna. For more information visit

<https://bit.ly/3Dnlsax>.

**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](https://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 more information.

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# ArtsFairfax announces lineup for Poetry Lives Here

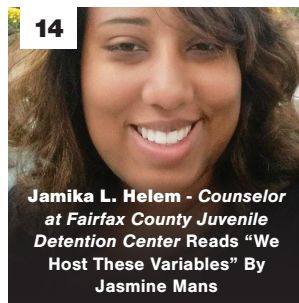
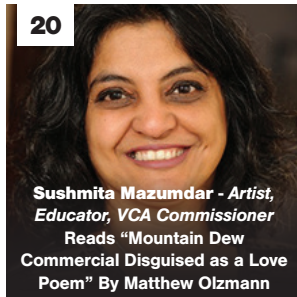
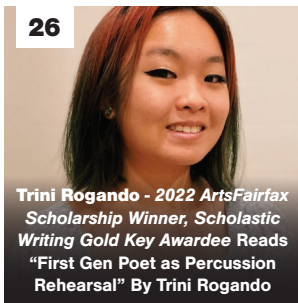
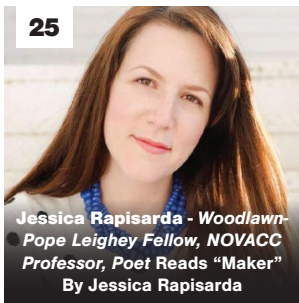
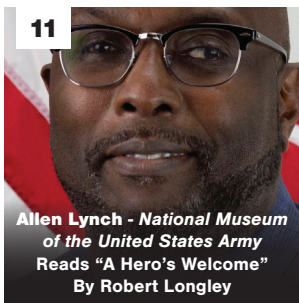
*Fairfax Poet Laureate Project celebrates National Poetry Month*

ArtsFairfax and more than 20 representatives associated with Fairfax arts and culture celebrate National Poetry Month this month when they share the work of contemporary American poets. Beginning with Bryan Hill, Fairfax County Executive, who reads “Crossing” by Jericho Brown, the ArtsFairfax initiative is part of Poetry Lives Here, a community service project by inaugural Fairfax Poet Laureate, Nicole Tong.

“My goal with Poetry Lives Here was to get people from all walks of life listening to each other while participating in literary arts in a personal way,” said Tong, who created the Twitter account @PoetryLivesHere to further engage and amplify the voices and cultures of a diverse representation of living poets.

“Nicole’s Poetry Lives Here initiative, as well as her overall commitment to the Poet Laureate Program, aligns so perfectly with ArtsFairfax’s goals to inspire the community-wide exchange of ideas, stories, and culture throughout the County,” explained Linda Sullivan, president & CEO of ArtsFairfax. “Through our Poet Laureate Program, we want to show Fairfax County residents that poetry is just as diverse and vibrant as the communities they represent.”

The Fairfax County Poet Laureate Program is designed to raise the visibility



of poetry by supporting a leadership role for a local poet to engage new audiences and create opportunities for poetry to be shared throughout the County. The Poet Laureate Program is a two-year appointment that results in a community service project and an original poem inspired by the poet’s experience, among other outcomes. Applications for the next Fairfax County Poet Laureate will open this June. Celebrate National Po-

etry Month with Tong on Twitter @PoetryLivesHere or visit <https://artsfairfax.org/poetry-month-2022/>. Engage with ArtsFairfax on Facebook and Instagram with #NPMArtsFairfax to share your favorite poet, poem, or reader.

About Poetry Lives Here As the inaugural Fairfax County Poet Laureate, Nicole Tong created Poetry Lives Here as a two-pronged approach to enliven local interest in contemporary poet-

ry. In addition to the digital content created in celebration of National Poetry Month, Ms. Tong also partnered with George Mason University MFA poetry students to conduct a residency at the County’s Juvenile Detention Center. Together, these initiatives have raised Fairfax community awareness of living American poets and how they reflect the diversity of voices and cultures in this nation.

About ArtsFairfax

ArtsFairfax is the non-profit designated as the local arts agency for Fairfax County. Dedicated to the belief that arts are essential to a thriving community, the ArtsFairfax mission is to expand support for and access to arts and culture opportunities for Fairfax County’s more than 1.2 million residents. By offering informational, financial, and programmatic services, ArtsFairfax promotes the role of arts and culture to deepen

social engagement, create a sense of place, and fuel economic growth. Incorporated as a 501(c)(3) since 1964, ArtsFairfax provides these services to all who contribute to and experience arts in Fairfax County, and is funded in part by the County, Virginia Commission for the Arts, and the National Endowment for the Arts, as well as corporations, foundations, and individuals.

## BACON

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‘In Memory of When I Cared,’ and it’s very different than our other songs—the production is very contemporary, and we’re really proud of it. It’s a new direction for us.”

It wasn’t all off-time for the brothers, as Kevin did go back to work early for the Showtime hit show, “City on a Hill,” as Hollywood got back earlier than most industries. And Michael did a lot of virtual work through file sharing and taught his

college classes online, though he’s now back in-person.

“It was frustrating not to be able to play live music, as that’s a big part of both of our lives,” Michael said.

But the Bacon Brothers found time for two solid weeks for this tour, and have other shows peppered in over the course of the next few months.

“We went down to the 9/11 Memorial and played one song, and it just felt so great to play, so we are excited to get back and play live again,” Kevin said. “If you’re ready to get down, have the lights go down and hear some live music, we’re ready to play.”

## MEAN GIRLS

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The tour stars Danielle Wade as Cady Heron, Nadina Hassan as Regina George, Megan Masako Haley as Gretchen Wieners, Jonalyn Saxer as Karen Smith, Mary Kate Morrissey as Janis Sarkisian, Eric Huffman as Damian Hubbard, and Adante Carter as Aaron Samuels.

The character of the dim-witted Karen (played by Amanda Seyfried in the movie) is a fan-favorite, and Saxer is thrilled to be playing the role on this tour.

“I adored the music and quoted it constantly, and when I first saw the announcement that they were adapting the movie into a musical, I just knew I had to be part of it,” she said. “I love getting to step into Karen’s brain every night. I think every character in the show is so beautifully written by Tina Fey, so as an actor, it takes little work to make people laugh.”

And since Karen gets a lot of the laughs in the show, Saxer is constantly listening to the audience’s reaction each night, and

feels as if she’s totally connected to the live crowd.

The actress has actually been a part of “Mean Girls” for five years, auditioning for the project while it was still in its workshop phase and cast in the show for the D.C. and original Broadway production as an ensemble member and understudy of Karen.

“I left the original production to come play Karen on tour in 2019,” Saxer said. “Our creative team has always encouraged us to make the role our own and not try to do impersonations or imitations, so having been working with Kate Rockwell (Broadway’s original Karen) for so long, they were very encouraging of me of finding my own version of Karen and not copy Amanda or Kate’s version. I’m bringing my own truth to the character.”

During the original D.C. run, Saxer had a strong feeling that “Mean Girls” would become a hit, and credits the entire team for ensuring it wasn’t just an enjoyable show, but a great one that would have legs on Broadway and beyond.

Raised by a musical theater family—her parents

met doing a community production of “The Music Man,”—it was no surprise when Saxer decided to pursue theater professionally. She made it to Broadway in the show, “Bullets Over Broadway,” and people quickly took notice of the talented performer.

“It was all of my dreams come true,” she said. “My little theater nerd was thrust, and these people I had looked up to for so long were suddenly my colleagues. It was literally everything I dreamed and more.”

Saxer enjoys being on tour with the show, checking out different places around the United States and seeing new theaters and crowds each week.

“The storyline we are telling—going to a new place and wanting to fit in, and being influenced by the people around you, happens not only to teenagers but to adults going to new jobs, and these are things we are constantly encountering in our lives,” she said. “It’s been really special to take this show from the development stage to Broadway and now on tour. People are going to have a good time for sure.”

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## FFCAS fills an important community need



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The Fairfax County Animal Shelter takes in more than 5,000 pets each year, many of which need necessary medical and dental care upon arrival.

That is where Friends steps in. As the nonprofit fundraising partner of the Fairfax County Animal Shelter, Friends of the Fairfax County Animal Shelter (Friends) feels grateful to live in a community where the residents prioritize the health, safety, and wellbeing of companion pets. The Fairfax County Animal Shelter is a municipal shelter with a limited county budget.

Friends was formed in 2006 with the dedicated mission of helping pets at the Fairfax County Animal Shelter who might not otherwise be able to receive vital and preventative care. Friends not only helps companion pets like dogs, cats, and rabbits, but also larger animals such as horses like Scrappy.

Scrappy was found neglected and emaciated, suffering from several ailments including malnutrition, gastrointestinal issues from eating bark, an eye infection, and a bacterial skin infection called rain rot. Friends was able to provide funding for Scrappy's critical care ultimately saving his life. Scrappy was transferred to Middleburg Humane Society for recovery and was able to successfully pull through this terrible ordeal.

For Shelter pets like Scrappy and so many others, Friends can save lives and give pets a second chance thanks to the support we receive. You can

learn more about Friends and how we help shelter pets at [www.ffcvas.org](http://www.ffcvas.org). You can also support Friends by attending our family and pet-friendly events throughout the year.



### PetDash Virtual 5K 2022

In honor of National Adopt a Shelter Pet Day, join Friends for the PetDash Virtual 5K on April 30, running until Mother's Day, May 8. Register early to get your own swag bag that includes a PetDash t-shirt and mesh bag, Friends sticker, and food can lid. Kick-off the start of the virtual 5K in style and join us on April 30, from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m., at Mustang Sally Brewing Company, 14140 Parke Long Ct A-C in Chantilly, as we enjoy the special brew created for Friends of the Fairfax County Animal Shelter. Family and pet-friendly. Register online at [bit.ly/2022friendspetdash](http://bit.ly/2022friendspetdash).

Save A Life Sponsorship opportunities are available until April 22. Individuals, organizations, and businesses who choose to become a Save A Life Sponsor will receive their logo or name on the back of our Friends PetDash t-shirt, logo or name on Friends PetDash Virtual 5K website, Friends website, Summer newsletter, and a shoutout on Friends Face-

book page of your support for Friends PetDash Virtual 5K 2022. Additionally, Save A Life Sponsors will receive a complimentary Friends PetDash swag bag, including a PetDash t-shirt and mesh bag, food can lid, and Friends logo sticker. Visit [bit.ly/petdashsponsor](http://bit.ly/petdashsponsor) for more information.



### Wine, Whiskers, and Wags (& Beer!)

After two long years, we are so excited to host Wine, Whiskers, and Wags (& Beer!) again and reunite with our community of animal lovers and supporters. This year, our annual fundraising event will be held at The Farm Brewery at Broad Run, 16015 John Marshall Hwy, in Broad Run. Join us on May 15, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. for an afternoon filled with tasty food, great drinks, games, an eclectic silent auction, and more. Tickets for Wine, Whiskers, and Wags (& Beer!) are \$55 in advance, \$65 at the door. Visit [bit.ly/friendswww22](http://bit.ly/friendswww22) to learn more about our biggest event of the year.

Friends has several sponsorship opportunities for this event, including food and beverage sponsorships and logoed swag sponsorships. Visit [bit.ly/friendswww22](http://bit.ly/friendswww22) to see how you can get involved as a sponsor.

## A Forever Home seeks fosters

By Maribel Taylor-Mattox

A FOREVER HOME

During the most difficult days of the Coronavirus pandemic, rescues saw many families looking to foster dogs and pups to help them get through the isolation of the pandemic or simply to take advantage of their sudden ability to work from home. A Forever Home (AFH) saw the number of foster families quadruple and dogs and pups were getting adopted in record numbers, over 1,200 dogs in 2021! We even had new fosters in tears because, initially, there were not enough dogs to go around, and potential adopters waiting in long queues to adopt. In the end, they all were able to foster and find dogs to adopt. Everyone benefitted, especially the dogs and pups.

All that has changed, now that the end of the pandemic is in sight. People are going back to work, school, and traveling again. As a result, we have seen many active foster families taking a break and newer fosters leaving our volunteer list. Although adoptions have slowed some, we continue to see a steady number of potential adopters. More importantly, we have been spared the large influx of return dogs that some rescues and shelters have seen. We attribute this to our continued, careful screening of potential adopters, as our goal has always been to find

Forever homes, not just good homes.

As the rescue is now going back to in-person adoption events, we are now faced with a new challenge. The number of foster families has declined, while the number of dogs and pups, in particular, needing rescue from high-kill shelters are beginning to rise again. We also see adopters looking for that second dog or pup, now that their pandemic adoptee has settled in and is in need of canine companionship while their families go on to life outside their home.

AFH is now working hard to find foster families, with a particular need for puppy fosters. Because we have no physical shelter, we use only foster homes, we can't save these dogs without families willing to help. The best part is no experience is necessary to help as we have a great support system of experienced volunteers to provide guidance. AFH also has lots of flexibility, so foster families do not necessarily need someone home all day to foster! Because we provide all the food, medical care, and supplies, volunteers just need to provide their time and love!

Please consider opening your home to pups from over-full shelters where they would have no chance of being adopted. If you would like to save lives or would like more information, please contact us at [volunteer@aforeverhome.org](mailto:volunteer@aforeverhome.org).



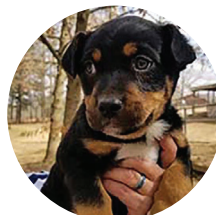
### Watson

**Breed:** English (Redtick) Coonhound  
**Age:** 3 years  
**Gender:** Male (Neutered)  
Watson is a Red Tick Hound. He came to AFH from a shelter in southern Virginia as a stray. We are not say enough kind things about him. He is such a sweet boy. He does great with other dogs and love children.



### Piper's Pixie

**Breed:** Hound Mix  
**Age:** 10 months  
**Gender:** Female (Spayed)  
Pixie is the most adorable, affectionate gal you could ever meet. She's great our family dogs and the neighborhood kids. She rarely barks, is very smart, and knows "sit," "crate," "off," and "leave it." She plays fetch, is super gentle, and loves toys.



### Leah's Pup Leo

**Breed:** Beagle / Dachshund Mix  
**Age:** 14 weeks  
**Gender:** Male  
Leo is the largest pup of the litter. He loves cuddles and spends the majority of his time curled up in his foster mom's lap. Leo is very vocal and loves having conversations with his foster family throughout the day.



### Vivian's Pup Blu

**Breed:** Doberman Pinscher / Catahoula Leopard Dog Mix  
**Age:** 15 weeks  
**Gender:** Male  
Blu comes from a rambunctious litter, but this little boy is the quiet one of the group. He is so sweet and easy-going. He comes eagerly when called and has made good progress on house training. He is very smart and does well with everyone.



### Nadya

**Breed:** Hound Mix  
**Age:** 4 years  
**Gender:** Female (Spayed)  
Nadya loves people and does great with other dogs. She is housetrained and walks well on leash. Nadya likes riding in the car, going on walks, and exploring. Her favorite toy is a bottle-shaped squeaky. This wonderful girl would make a great addition to any home.



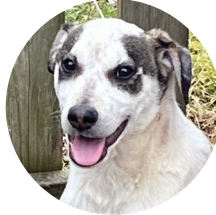
### Magnolia's Cherry

**Breed:** Shepherd Mix  
**Age:** 10 weeks  
**Gender:** Female  
Cherry is a very sweet girl. She was the smallest of her litter, but has a BIG personality. She loves to play and run around. She has no fear, plays well with big dogs and little people (kids), and sleeps quietly in her crate. Cherry would make a great addition to any family.



### Rosie's Romeo

**Breed:** Australian Cattle Dog / Rottweiler Mix  
**Age:** 5 months  
**Gender:** Male (Neutered)  
Romeo has the most soulful brown eyes and has a sweet nature. He loves belly rubs, exploring the yard, and playing with other dogs. He does well in his crate at night and is nearly housetrained. He already knows "sit" and "shake". Who is ready to make a love connection with this handsome pup?



### Michelle's Omar

**Breed:** Australian Cattle Dog/ Blue Heeler Mix  
**Age:** 4 months  
**Gender:** Male  
Omar is a very laid-back guy. True to his breed, he likes to herd his squeaky toys. He does really well with children and lives happily with cats. He also likes to chase a ball, cuddling, and playing with other dogs. Omar is crate trained and really close on housetraining.



### Magnolia Nancy/Maggie

**Breed:** Labrador Retriever Mix  
**Age:** 11 months  
**Gender:** Female (Spayed)  
Maggies is a sweet girl who loves to play ball, run and chew on her toys. She is housetrained and crate trained. She loves playing with other dogs, going on long walks, and out for runs. She loves her people and snuggling. She also has enjoyed the snow and snowballs!

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# Kids in Parks honors Month of the Military Child

Courtesy of Kids in Parks

As a way to recognize the Month of the Military Child, the Kids in Parks program and Blue Star Families are joining forces and officially kicking off their partnership to help children in military families engage with the outdoors. The Month of the Military Child is designated to recognize the sacrifices made by children in the military community and praise them for the stresses and challenges they conquer.

The collaboration with Kids in Parks is a new component of Outdoor Explorers for All, a signature program of Blue Star Outdoors, which invites military families to connect with the outdoors to deal with the stresses of a military-connected lifestyle. Participants can interact with outdoor experts during virtual meetings, experience individual and group outdoor activities, and build community connections. Kids in Parks will help expand these experiences by providing Blue Star Family chapters throughout the country with self-guided activities that help affiliated families explore nature. The brochure, Backyard Adventures, will encourage children to identify birds and trees and explore their backyards with a scavenger hunt. Blue Star



PHOTO BY NICOLE RAWLINSON

Families can also utilize Kids in Parks e-Adventures, smartphone-friendly activities children can enjoy in any outdoor environment.

Blue Star Families is a non-profit organization that touches more than 1.5 million military family members every year. With chapters across the country, Blue Star Families ensures that American military families feel connected, supported, and empowered to thrive.

“Every military-connected family deserves to find connection in the outdoors,” said Nicole Rawlinson, a Blue Star

Parks Program DEPLOY Fellow. “That is why we are invested in developing a suite of outdoor programming that is diverse, inclusive, and responsive to the needs of our community. Through this new relationship with Kids in Parks, we are expanding these resources to our families and inviting them to the outdoors, meeting them where it feels comfortable.”

Deployments, frequent moves, and overall unpredictability are among many challenges that can impact a military family’s sense of belonging and quality of life. Spending time

with nature can counteract these stressors and improve overall wellness in children and adults.

“We are honored to help support military families through our partnership with Blue Star Families and its national network of chapters. Our goal is to create meaningful connections to nature through outdoor recreation activities completed on bases, in military communities, and at official TRACK Trail locations,” said Jason Urroz, director of Kids in Parks. “Together, we can

improve the physical, mental, emotional, and social health of kids and families through shared time together in nature.”

To improve overall health and wellness for children and families, Kids in Parks works with park partners nationwide to develop TRACK Trails. This growing network of family-friendly hiking trails features self-guided materials that turn ordinary hikes into fun-filled, discovery-packed adventures. Since its founding in 2009 by the Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation, Kids in Parks has opened more than 230 TRACK Trails. Families who participate in Kids in Parks activities can earn prizes designed to encourage repeat participation and make continued outdoor adventures more meaningful.



**“Trivia Quest” (TV-G)** -- Do you, like me, remember the first day you downloaded the game Trivia Crack on your phone? It was an app that took over instantaneously, and everyone would take out parts of their day to play the game and try to beat their friends by answering challenging trivia questions from a range of different topics. Well, now you can play the game on a different platform -- your television! Netflix just premiered the new interactive series “Trivia Quest” that maintains a similar format to the original game by having viewers answer questions via their remote. They can earn points as well as help Willy to save his friends from the evil bad guy, Rocky. (Netflix)

**“The Invisible Pilot” (NR)** -- A new three-part documentary series dives into the mystery behind the life of pilot Gary Betzner. His career began in crop-dusting, and he was regarded as one of the best pilots in his Top Gun program, walking away from a whopping 11 crashes during his lifetime. He was also a father and a husband. One day, when Betzner was driving with his family, the car broke down on a bridge and, suddenly, he made the decision to jump off the bridge. His small-town Arkansas community searched for his body in vain, and years later his hidden double life as an international drug smuggler became unraveled for the public to see. And that’s just the beginning. “The Invisible Pilot” hails from Academy-nominated executive producer Adam McKay. (HBO Max)



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Promo for “The Invisible Pilot”

**“The Outlaws” (TV-MA)** -- From the creator of “The Office,” this new British crime thriller/comedy series has just premiered on Amazon Prime. Seven people who have committed minor crimes are forced by the court to come together for a community project in order to pay their dues to society. The project includes restoring an abandoned, run-down building and transforming it into a community center. But these seven people couldn’t be more different: a cheeky old-timer (Christopher Walken), an oddball lawyer, a socialite, a left-wing activist, a right-wing businessman, a “seemingly harmless” young man, Ben, and young woman, Rani. With such a handful of personalities, surely nothing’s bound to go awry. Right? (Amazon Prime)

**“Slow Horses” (NR)** -- River Cartwright, a British MI5 agent who botched a mission, is sent to the Slough House -- basically where the “screw-ups” go. The Slough House, headed by the notorious Jackson Lamb (Gary Oldman), consists of agents completing boring and useless tasks with no sign of excitement in sight. River is miserable, until a hostage gets taken in nearby Regent’s Park. As the situation unfolds, River and the other agents in the Slough House are dying to get involved with the action ... and perhaps bring some redemption to the Slough House name. (AppleTV+)

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**Q: Who is Regina Hall, one of the three women who hosted the Oscars this year? I liked the concept of multiple hosts, but I didn’t recognize her. – E.W.**

**A:** Actress/comedian Regina Hall initially had plans to use her master’s degree in journalism from NYU when her acting auditions were more miss than hit. In the early 2000s she had audiences in stitches playing Brenda in the “Scary Movie” films, which were a parody of the “Scream” movies. She was also a regular on the short-lived “Law & Order: LA” series. Her career has definitely been on the upswing lately, which is likely why she was chosen to host the Academy Awards this year alongside Amy Schumer and Wanda Sykes. Her recent acting roles include playing a stockbroker in “Black Monday,” a dark comedy series about 1980s Wall Street; a heartbroken divorcee in “Nine Perfect Strangers”; and a lifestyle guru in the hit film “Girls Trip.” Hall told “Entertainment Weekly” that she loves doing drama and comedy equally, and she’s certainly adept at both. Next up for her is another satire, “Honk for Jesus. Save Your Soul,” starring Sterling K. Brown (“This Is Us”), where they play



DEPOSITPHOTOS

Regina Hall

disgraced televangelists.

**Q: Now that “Brooklyn Nine-Nine” isn’t returning for any new episodes, what can I see its stars in next? – G.G.**

**A:** Created by Dan Goor and Michael Schur of “The Office,” “Brooklyn Nine-Nine” was a hilariously silly comedy series about detectives starring Andy Samberg (as Jake Peralta) and Andre Braugher (as Capt. Holt). Since the show ended in 2021, “Saturday Night Live” alum Samberg has been doing voice work for animated movies such as “Hotel Transylvania 4” and “Chip ‘n’ Dale: Rescue Rangers.” Braugher is returning to drama as a regular on next season’s “The Good Fight.”

Terry Crews, who played Terry Jeffords, most recently hosted “America’s Got Talent:

Extreme” and can be seen in the upcoming anthology series “Tales of the Walking Dead.” Melissa Fumero, who played Amy Santiago, is starring in “Blockbuster,” an upcoming Netflix series about the last video store in America.

As for the creators, Goor’s next project is the comedy series “Killing It,” with Craig Robinson (“The Office”) as a security guard for a bank in Miami, while Schur is busy producing the Emmy-nominated series “Hacks,” starring Jean Smart.

**Q: Being a fan of the long-running series “M\*A\*S\*H,” there’s something I’ve always wondered: In the first-season episode titled “The Army-Navy Game,” I could swear the voice of the radio play-by-play announcer sounded like game-show great Tom Kennedy. Is that the case? – T.M.**

**A:** Although he wasn’t listed in the episode credits, the Wikipedia website states that Tom Kennedy did acknowledge in an interview that he was the football commentator for that episode of “M\*A\*S\*H.” The game show host (“Name That Tune” and “You Don’t Say!”) passed way in 2020 at the age of 93. Kennedy also acted in guest-starring roles on TV shows “That Girl,” “The Ghost and Mrs. Muir” and “Cannon.”

You can watch all 11 seasons of the multiple Emmy Award-winning comedy series “M\*A\*S\*H” on the subscription service Hulu.

Send me your questions at NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com, or write me at KFWS, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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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, April 11, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Herndon Municipal Center, Second Floor Conference Room, located at 777 Lynn Street, Herndon and a public hearing on Monday, April 25, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Herndon Council Chambers Building, located at 765 Lynn Street, Herndon, on the following items:

**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 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. **(Continued from the March 28, 2022, Planning Commission public hearing.)**

**SPECIAL EXCEPTION – SE #22-01, 315 Elden Street**, a special exception to allow for development within the FPO, Floodplain Overlay District. This case 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.

**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](http://www.herndon-va.gov) beginning April 8, 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 items are invited to attend the public hearing and to state their opinions. Individuals may submit comments to [planning.commission@herndon-va.gov](mailto:planning.commission@herndon-va.gov)

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the **Architectural Review Board** of the of the Town of Herndon, Virginia, will hold a work session on Wednesday, April 6, 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, April 20, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. in the Herndon Council Chambers Building, located at 765 Lynn Street, Herndon on the following items:

**APPLICATION FOR SIGNAGE, ARB #22-005**, to consider an application for a business identification wall sign located at 208 Elden Street, Herndon, Virginia, further identified as Fairfax County Tax Map 0171 04 0006A and is located on the north side of the Elden Street and approximately 600 feet east of the Elden Street and Herndon Parkway intersection. The property is zoned as CS, (Commercial Services District), and consists of 77,350 square feet of land. Owner:GMP Investments LLC. Applicant: Hamza Jaber.

**APPLICATION FOR NEW SITE FEATURE, ARB #22-006**, to consider an application for a new site feature 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 as 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](http://www.herndon-va.gov) beginning April 1, 2022, after 3:00 p.m.

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Notice of Early Public Review of a Proposed Activity in 100-Year Floodplain and Wetland

To: All interested Agencies including all Federal, State, and Local, Groups and Individuals

This is to give notice that the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD), under 24 CFR Part 50 has determined that the following proposed development action will be in a FEMA designated 100-year floodplain and in designated wetland areas. On behalf of HUD, Fairfax County as the Responsible Entity, will be identifying and evaluating practicable alternatives to locating this development in the floodplain and wetland areas and the potential impacts on those floodplains and wetlands from the proposed development, as required by Executive Orders 11988 and 11990, and in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Protection of Wetlands.

The subject property, proposed to be developed as The Lodge at Autumn Willow, is located at 13090 Autumn Willow Drive, in Fairfax, Fairfax County, Virginia (Latitude, 38.843428, Longitude, -77.401931). The subject property consists of approximately 11.27 acres of undeveloped and wooded land. The Sponsor is participating in the HUD Subsidy Layering Review Program, consisting of new construction of a one-hundred and fifty (150) unit affordable age-restricted apartment complex.

According to the effective FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) #450025-0095D, 51059C-0235E, dated September 17, 2010, the subject property is in Unshaded Zone X, designated as an area outside the 100- and 500-year flood zones, and Zone A, designated as an area located within the 100-year flood zone associated with Little Rocky Run. According to preliminary FIRMs #51059C-0235F and #510592C-0232F, last revised April 30, 2021, the subject property flood zones will remain the same if the Preliminary FIRMs are adopted by FEMA. Two separate proposed floodplain impacts would result from the installation of stormwater drainage pipes with an associated outfall and sanitary sewer lines. As proposed, the action will result in impacts to a total of 0.2 acres (8,638.04 square feet) of floodplain.

A Freshwater Pond and Forested, Scrub/Shrub, and Emergent wetlands associated with Little Rocky Run were delineated across the southern portion of the subject property, and a Freshwater Forested wetland was delineated on the northwestern corner of the subject property by Wetland Studies and Solutions, Inc. (WSSI) in July 2020 and September 2021. The delineated wetland boundaries have been confirmed through a US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Jurisdictional Determination (NAO-2020-01781). Three separate proposed wetland impacts would result from the installation of a stormwater management outfall (Impact #1), sanitary sewer lines (Impact #2), and infilling/grading for sidewalk improvements along Autumn Willow Drive (Impact #3). As proposed, the action will result in impacts to a total of 0.02 acres (735 square feet) of wetlands.

WSSI has characterized the current functions and values of the floodplain and wetlands on the property. The on-site floodplain and wetland Impact #3 provide the functions of floodflow alteration and sediment/pollutant retention. Wetland Impact #1 provides the functions of floodflow alteration, wildlife habitat, and sediment/pollutant retention. Wetland Impact #3 provides the functions of flood-flow alteration and wildlife habitat. The on-site floodplain and wetlands are currently not known to have any archaeological, historic, or recreational value of public interest.

There are three (3) primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in the floodplain and wetland areas and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Commenters are encouraged to offer alternative sites outside of the floodplain and wetland areas, alternative methods to serve the same project purpose, and methods to minimize and mitigate impacts. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about floodplains and wetlands can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains and wetlands, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by the Responsible Entity at the following address on or before April 22, 2022. Comments should be addressed to Regina Gerner, Fairfax County Department of Housing, 3700 Pender Drive, Fairfax, Virginia 22030. Ms. Gerner’s phone number is 703-246-5000. Comments may also be submitted via email at [Regina.Gerner@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:Regina.Gerner@fairfaxcounty.gov).

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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Ordinance, to amend Chapter 30 (FINANCE AND TAXATION), Article VII (Business, Professional, Occupational License), Division 1 (Generally), Section 30-211 (Definitions), Section 30-246 (Enumeration), and to add Section 30-266 (Personal, Business Services, and all other business occupations not specifically listed), to recognize the massage therapist occupation as a business and to classify massage therapist for BPOL tax purposes.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council for the Town of Herndon, Virginia that:

1. The following sections or provision of the Herndon Town Code (2000), as amended, are amended and re-ordained as follows:

CHAPTER 30 (FINANCE AND TAXATION)

ARTICLE VII. BUSINESS, PROFESSIONAL, OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE

DIVISION 1. GENERALLY

Sec. 30-211. Definitions

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License year means the calendar year for which a license is issued for the privilege of engaging in business.

Massage means the treatment, for compensation, of soft tissues for therapeutic purposes by the application of massage and bodywork techniques based on the manipulation or application of pressure to the muscular structure or soft tissues of the human body, unless the massage is excluded from regulation by Code of County of Fairfax § 28.1-1-4.

Massage establishment means any fixed place of business where a massage is administered to a client, unless the place is excluded from regulation by Code of County of Fairfax § 28.1-1-4.

Massage therapist means any individual certified as a massage therapist by the Board of Nursing of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Operator of coin-operated machines means any person selling, leasing, renting or otherwise furnishing or providing a coin-operated amusement machine operated on the coin-in-the-slot principal; provided, however, that this term shall not include a person owning fewer than three coin-operated machines and operating such machines on property owned or leased by such person

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DIVISION 2. FEES AND TAXES

Sec. 30-246. Enumeration

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(b) There is no fee for the issuance of such license. In addition to the license tax specified in subsection (a) of this section, and except as may be otherwise provided in this article or in Code of Virginia, §§ 58.1-3712, 58.1-3712.1 and 58.1-3713, every such person or business with annual gross receipts, purchases, or retail or wholesale sales, as appropriate, of more than \$100,000.00 shall be assessed and required to pay annually a license tax on all the gross receipts, purchases, or retail or wholesale sales, as appropriate, of such persons includable as provided in this article at a rate set forth in this subsection (b) for the class of enterprise listed:

(1) For contractors and persons constructing for their own account for sale, \$0.13 per \$100.00 of gross receipts (Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3706 A.1);

(2) For retailers, including those engaged in the short-term rental business as defined in Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3510.4(B) (however defined), (but excluding those engaged in commercial leasing covered by section 30-265) \$0.13 per \$100.00 of gross receipts (Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3706 A.2);

(3) For financial, real estate and professional services, \$0.40 per \$100.00 of gross receipts (for the license tax for money lenders, see section 30-252) (Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3706 A.3);

(4) For personal and business services and all other businesses and occupations not specifically listed or exempted in this article or otherwise by law, \$0.21 per \$100.00 of gross receipts (for the license tax for repair services, see section 30-263) (Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3706 A.4);

(5) For wholesalers, including peddlers at wholesale, \$0.05 per \$100.00 of purchases (Code of Virginia, §§ 58.1-3718, 58.1-3719);

(6) For carnivals, circuses and speedways, \$0.00 for each performance held in this town (Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3728);

(7) For fortunetellers, clairvoyants and practitioners of palmistry, \$500.00 per year (Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3726);

~~(8) For massage parlors, \$1,000 per year (Code of Virginia § 58.1-3706);~~

~~(9)~~**(8)**For itinerant merchants or peddlers (except as provided below), \$12.50 per week, not to exceed \$500.00 per year (Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3717);

~~(10)~~**(9)** For photographers, \$30.00 per year (Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3727);

~~(11)~~**(10)** For permanent coliseums, arenas or auditoriums having a maximum capacity in excess of 10,000 persons, open to the public, \$1,000.00 per year (Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3729);

~~(12)~~**(11)** For savings and loan associations and credit unions, \$50.00 per year (Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3730); and

~~(13)~~**(12)** For direct sellers as defined in Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3719.1, with total annual sales in excess of \$4,000.00, \$0.20 per \$100.00 of total annual retail sales, or \$0.05 per \$100.00 of total annual wholesale sales, whichever is applicable (Code of Virginia, § 58.1-3719.1). Direct sellers are governed by rules governing emerging businesses set out in section 30-247(b)—(d).

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Sec. 30-266. Personal, Business Services, and all other business occupations not specifically listed.

Every person conducting or engaging in any personal service occupation, businesses, trades, or callings not specifically classified as “financial, real estate, or professional service” shall pay an annual license tax of \$0.21 per \$100.00 of gross receipts of the base year. The license tax imposed by this section shall be in addition to any other specific town license tax. Massage therapists and massage establishments under this chapter should be considered as other business occupation for business tax purposes so as long as they are in compliance with Chapter 14-70 Massage Regulation.

2. This ordinance shall be effective on and after July 1, 2022.


The proposed item is available for review by the public on the town’s website www.herndon-va.gov beginning at 3:00 p.m. 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 item 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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Ordinance, to amend Chapter 74 (UTILITIES), Article II (Sewers & Sewage Disposal), Division 5 (Sanitary Sewer System Rates & Charges), Section 74-262 (Schedule of Rates); and Article III (Water), Division 2 (Service), Subdivision II (In-Town Service Charges), Section 74-326 (Schedule of Charges), to increase the service and usage charges for sanitary sewer and water, effective for meter readings taken on or after July 1, 2022.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council for the Town of Herndon, Virginia, that:

1. The following sections or provision of the Herndon Town Code, as amended, are amended and re-ordained as follows:

CHAPTER 74 (UTILITIES)

ARTICLE II. SEWERS & SEWAGE DISPOSAL

DIVISION 5. SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM RATES & CHARGES

Sec. 74-262. Schedule of Rates.

(a) The rate schedule for sanitary sewer service shall be determined on the basis of water consumed and shall be charged at the rate of ~~\$6.28~~ **\$7.16** per 1,000 gallons of water used, except as otherwise provided in this division.

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~~(f) A service charge per bill rendered shall be assessed for all metered water service as follows:~~

Quarterly Billing

| Meter Size (inches) | Charge    |
|---------------------|-----------|
| 5/8                 | \$ 7.40   |
| 3/4                 | \$ 10.21  |
| 1                   | \$ 15.85  |
| 1 1/2               | \$ 29.96  |
| 2                   | \$ 46.89  |
| 3                   | \$ 92.02  |
| 4                   | \$ 142.79 |
| 6                   | \$ 283.83 |

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ARTICLE III. WATER

DIVISION 2. SERVICE

Subdivision II. In-Town Service Charges

Sec. 74-326. Schedule of charges.

(a) The water usage charge shall be ~~\$3.21~~ **\$3.31** per 1,000 gallons, based on the consumption of water as measured by readings of the water meter serving the property.

(b) A service charge per bill rendered shall be assessed for all metered water service as follows:

Quarterly Billing

| Meter Size (inches) | Charge                         |
|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| 5/8                 | \$ 10.54 <del>\$ 8.97</del>    |
| 3/4                 | \$ 15.80 <del>\$ 13.45</del>   |
| 1                   | \$ 26.33 <del>\$ 22.41</del>   |
| 1 1/2               | \$ 52.68 <del>\$ 44.83</del>   |
| 2                   | \$ 84.27 <del>\$ 71.72</del>   |
| 3                   | \$ 168.55 <del>\$ 143.45</del> |
| 4                   | \$ 263.36 <del>\$ 224.14</del> |
| 6                   | \$ 526.73 <del>\$ 448.28</del> |

(c) All water consumed during the peak use periods in excess of the average consumption of the preceding two winter quarter billing periods shall be charged an additional amount of ~~\$5.46~~ **\$5.64** per 1,000 gallons. This peak use period charge shall be applied in addition to the base water usage charge in subsection (a) above.

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2. This ordinance shall be effective for all meter readings taken on or after July 1, 2022.

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[[Full name(s) of owner(s)]:  
T&N Elden LLC



Trading as:  
Elden Street Sunoco  
640 Elden St.  
Herndon, Fairfax County, VA 20170-4602


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

Tajammal Ali, President

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](http://www.abc.virginia.gov) or 800-552-3200.

3009332 (04-01-22, 04-08-22)

[[Full name(s) of owner(s)]:  
SDE Oakton, Inc.



Trading as:  
SDE's Oakton Tap Room  
2952 E & F Chain Bridge Road  
Oakton, VA 22124-3024The above establishment is applying to the **VIRGINIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) AUTHORITY** for a **Restaurant - Beer, Wine, and Cider - On and Off Premises, Keg and Delivery** license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

James Boykin, Owner/Officer

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3009348 (04-08-22, 04-15-22)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Fairfax County Park Authority is requesting a permit from Virginia Marine Resources Commission to install riprap along a 131 linear foot section of Pohick Creek, immediately west of Alloway Court, to stabilize an eroding stream bank, as part of the Pohick Stream Valley Trail project in Fairfax County.

Send Comments/inquiries within 15 days to: Marine Resources Commission, Habitat Management Division, 380 Fenwick Road, Building 96, Fort Monroe, VA 23651 or [jpa.permits@mrc.virginia.gov](mailto:jpa.permits@mrc.virginia.gov).

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