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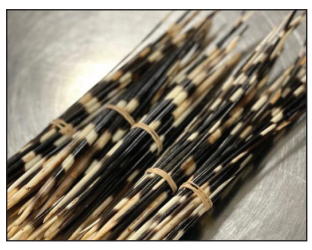
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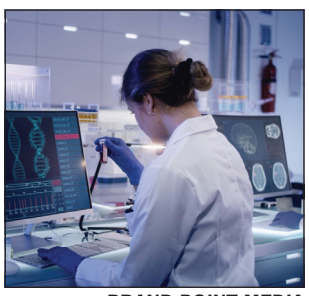
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Reston resident found unresponsive in his cell at Fairfax County Detention Center

Later pronounced dead at Inova hospital

By Brooke Lewitas
FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

Reston resident and Fairfax County Adult Detention Center inmate Christopher Fojt was pronounced dead at INOVA hospital on April 27, 2021.

On April 28th, a FCPD press release announced that there were believed to be "no signs of foul play". As per policy, the Fairfax County Police Department's Office of the Chief Medical Examiner will perform an autopsy.

Fojt, 30, had been held without bond at the adult detention center since April 21. According to the sheriff's office, he was arrested on "multiple charges including possession of a schedule I or II drug with a firearm on or about his person".

According to a confidential source close to Chris, "Chris and his [fiance] had an altercation at a bar where they were apparently drinking, the bartender cut them off and they went their separate ways however the bartender called mall security after a verbal altercation with my brother, mall security called the police. I believe we have a lot of unknowns after that in terms of what happened."

The following day, April 22, he was found unresponsive in his single cell. He is believed to have suffered an anoxic brain injury. He was immediately rushed to the hospital, where he remained in a medically induced coma until April 27.

According to a hospital record, a doctor treating Fojt was aware of 'first hand knowledge of suicidal ideation', but the cause of the brain injury remains unclear.

"Chris was apparently showing signs of severe depression and we did not catch it," said the same confidential source. "I know he had told his girlfriend he struggled with severe depression. Somewhere that system failed him. They left him alone in that cell when they knew he was a suicide risk. They knew what was going on and they ignored it."

Fojt--or 'Fo8', as he was known to his many friends--grew up in Baltimore, Maryland and moved to Arlington after graduating from Mount Saint Joseph High School. His obituary states, "Chris was known to give when he had nothing, work when he had no energy left to give, and laugh 'til he could hardly breathe. He brought smiles to so many faces over the years and was often heard saying, "Oh, how we laugh.""



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Prior to his arrest and death, he lived in Reston with his fiance, their dog, and two cats. Chris will be laid to rest at the family's farm in West Virginia.

If you or a loved one is struggling with suicidal ideation, please call the National Suicide Hotline number at 800-273-8255, or contact the National Alliance on Mental Illness of Fairfax at (571) 458-7310 x 102.

Summer camp to be held for disabled adults and kids

By Rick Horner
FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

The Fairfax County's Department of Neighborhood and Community Service's Therapeutic Recreation Services will be holding a summer camp for adults and children with disabilities. The camp will run weekdays for six weeks from late June to early August while giving campers the weekends off. The camp will be divided into two age groups, one for children ranging from 5-12 years old and another for campers ranging from 13-22 years old.

According to the Fairfax County Government webpage, the Therapeutic Recreation Services provides opportunities for children and adults who are disabled to develop the skills that enable them to participate in the recreation and leisure programs of their choice.

The service employs staff that provide services, education, and resources to meet the needs of those participating in the service. This service assists and supports those involved in the program who wish to participate in the activities provided by it.

While the service is preparing for an in-person summer camp, it's also helped those who want to stay active by offering virtual Zoom activities. These activities range from virtual fitness programs, social clubs for both youth and adults, and interactive learn and play sessions. The service also provides a sensory room which offers a calm environment to those who have mental or physical disabilities and may be more sensitive to audio-visual stimuli.

Neighborhood & Community Services
Therapeutic Recreation Services



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The summer camp will follow the same blueprint by offering special events, art activities, sensory play, games, sports, outdoor play, musical activities, etc. in order to meet the different interests and abilities of the campers. The camp will have staff that are qualified to assist with a range of disabilities that include developmental, intellectual, autism spectrum, physical,

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POSITIVE VIBES with Brooke Lewitas



Head to the Farmers Market and later grab a beer



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As the summer begins, several Fairfax businesses are balancing the needs for covid safety and a profitable season. The Reston Farmers Market enjoyed a successful opening weekend on May 1.

Reston Farmers Market founder John Lovaas stated that the Farmers Market hosted 1,900 customers on Saturday.

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Porcupine quills are prohibited as potential disease vectors.

Dulles CBP finds 100 prohibited porcupine quills

Detaining prohibited agriculture and animal products can be a prickly subject for travelers, but U.S. Customs and Border Protection agriculture specialists stuck to their mission and seized 100 porcupine quills that may pose an animal and human virus threat.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection discovered 100 porcupine quills in passenger baggage April 21 at Washington Dulles International Airport. African porcupine quills are prohibited as potential vector for diseases, such as monkeypox virus.

CBP officers at Washington Dulles International Airport referred a U.S. citizen, who arrived on a flight from Africa April 21, to a secondary examination after the traveler declared possessing an animal horn. An agriculture examination also discovered an ivory bottle opener and the 100 porcupine quills. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) advised CBP to seize the quills as a potential vector for the monkeypox virus April 22.

The United States last experienced a monkeypox virus outbreak in 2003. According to the CDC, 47 confirmed and probable cases of monkeypox were reported from six states—Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Missouri, Ohio, and Wisconsin. Investigators determined that a shipment of animals from Ghana, imported to Texas April 9, 2003, introduced monkeypox virus.

Following that monkeypox virus outbreak, the CDC prohibited the importation of all African rodents into the United States, and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) banned the sale, distribution, transport, or release into the environment of prairie dogs and six specific genera of African rodents within the United States

CBP released the traveler and turned the quills over to the CDC.

"Travelers should be aware that those seemingly safe animal souvenirs they purchase overseas may accidentally introduce animal diseases that could devastate our livestock industries, sicken our citizens, and impact our nation's economy," said Keith Fleming, acting director of Field Operations for CBP's Baltimore Field Office. "Customs and Border Protection remains on our nation's frontline as protectors of our agricultural resources, and we will continue to work with our partners to intercept all potential threats at our nation's ports of entry."

CBP agriculture specialists are charged with the challenging task of safeguarding our nation's agricultural resources by examining international trade shipments and traveler baggage every day for invasive insects, federal noxious weeds, and plant and animal diseases. They have extensive training and experience in the biological sciences and agricultural inspection.



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Carlton Harris.

Falls Church man arrested for auto theft

An officer stopped a stolen 2020 Chevy Silverado at Leesburg Pike and Arlington Blvd. April 26 at 10:54 p.m., and arrested the driver, Carlton Harris, 58, of Falls Church. Harris was charged with grand larceny auto theft.



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Damage to the stove and kitchen area in the Huntington apartment.

Huntington apartment fire goes to two alarms

Units from the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department and the City of Alexandria Fire Department were dispatched for an apartment fire in the 2000 block of Huntington Avenue in the Huntington area of Fairfax County April 29 at approximately 8:59 a.m.

Crews arrived on the scene of a 15-story, residential high-rise building and reported no visible signs of smoke or fire. Upon extensive investigation, they located moderate smoke conditions in one of the apartments. A second alarm was requested. A fire on the stovetop with extension to the cabinets was located and quickly extinguished. Truck 411, Penn Daw, located an unconscious dog in the apartment and removed him to awaiting medic crew for treatment. Dog was taken to nearby pet hospital by caretaker and, at last report, is recovering. There were no civilian or firefighter injuries reported.

There were no occupants in the apartment at the time of the fire. Occupants on the 15th floor noted a smell of smoke. 9-1-1 was notified. Smoke alarms did not activate.

Fire investigators determined that the fire was accidental in nature and started on the stove in the apartment. The fire was caused by combustible materials on/near the stovetop.

One occupant was displaced because of the fire. Red Cross services were offered and declined. Damages as a result of the fire were approximately $77,500.

Alexandria Police Department investigates hit-and-run crash on S. Patrick Street

The Alexandria Police Department is investigating a hit-and-run crash involving three vehicles at the intersection of S. Patrick Street and Franklin Street during the morning rush hour.

Officers were called to the crash around 6:25 a.m. May 4. The driver of the suspect vehicle left the scene on foot before police arrived. The Alexandria Fire Department had to extricate the driver from one of the impacted vehicles. The drivers of both impacted vehicles were transported to the hospital with serious, but non-life-threatening injuries. The crash investigation and clean-up wrapped up just after 9 a.m. allowing the intersection to reopen all lanes of traffic.

This is an active and open investigation. Anyone with information about the crash should contact Officer Jeff McDaniel at 703-851-2297.

VSP adds social media platform to Virginia alert resources

Since the Virginia General Assembly established Virginia's first missing person alert program in 2003 with the Virginia A.M.B.E.R. (for America's Missing: Broadcast Emergency Response) Alert, the Virginia State Police has taken advantage of the ever-evolving landscape of communications technology to reach broader audiences as quickly and effectively as possible. This year the Virginia State Police added @VSPalerts on Twitter to its existing notification platforms.

"Just as the types of alerts have expanded over the years, so too have our means of notifying the public," said Col. Gary T. Settle, Virginia State Police superintendent. "Every second counts when it comes to safely locating an abducted child or endangered adult or a missing child diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder. Thus, it is imperative that an alert's key details be disseminated across as many diverse communications channels as quickly as possible."

Over the years, the Virginia General Assembly has established five missing persons alerts: Virginia AMBER Alert (2003); Virginia Senior Alert (2007); Virginia Blue Alert (2011); Virginia Critically Missing Adult "Ashanti" Alert (2018); and the Virginia Missing Child with Autism Alert (2020). State code designates the Virginia State Police as the operator of each alert for the purpose of identifying that each alert's criteria is met and an activation is justified.

An AMBER Alert triggers activation of the Emergency Alert System (EAS), Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA), @VSPalerts and the Virginia State Police Twitter and Facebook pages, changeable message boards and a series of other communications/notification systems. For those instances where not all AMBER Alert criteria can be satisfied, the state police will initiate an Endangered Child Alert. This alert still enables the Department to bring the necessary attention to the missing and endangered child's situation across traditional and social media platforms.

Since each program's inception, Virginia has activated a total 62 AMBER Alerts, 181 Senior Alerts, 33 Endangered Child Alerts, 10 Endangered Adult/Ashanti Alerts and one Blue Alert.

Additional background information on each alert program is available at https://bit.ly/3eguyuK.



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Crews put out a fire in the Crosspointe area of Fairfax County.

Lightning strike causes fire in Crosspointe

Units from Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department and the Prince William County Fire and Rescue Department responded for a house fire in the 8600 block of Oak Brook Lane in the Crosspointe area of Fairfax County May 4 at approximately 5:03 p.m.

Crews arrived on the scene of a two-story, single family home with a heavy volume of smoke visible. A fire in the attic was quickly located. Firefighters advanced a hose line to the top floor to extinguish the fire. There were no civilian injuries. One firefighter sustained minor injuries and was transported to a hospital for a check-up.

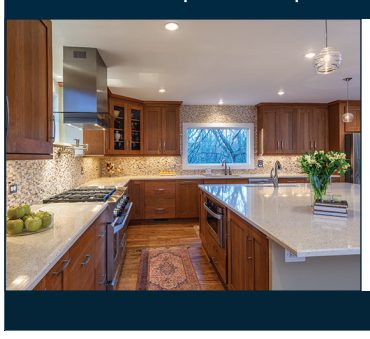
Two occupants were home at the time of the fire. The fire was discovered when the occupants evacuated the house due to the activation of their carbon monoxide alarms. 9-1-1 was called. Upon exiting the home, they noticed smoke visible from the roof and called 9-1-1 back with an update. The smoke alarms sounded after the occupants exited the house.

Fire investigators determined that the fire was accidental in nature and started in the attic. The fire was caused by a lightning strike.

Two occupants were displaced because of the fire. Red Cross services were offered and declined. Damages as a result of the fire were approximately $109,605.

Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department would like to thank the neighbors who offered their garages as areas of refuge for firefighters during the storm.



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Ed Maibach is ranked the most influential climate change scientist among those at U.S. public universities and number 7 worldwide.

Mason professor ranked most influential climate change scientist among those at U.S. universities

George Mason University's **Ed Maibach** is the most influential scientist working on climate change among America's public universities, according to a recent Reuters ranking of the researchers.

Maibach, a university professor in the Department of Communication and the director of the Center for Climate Change Communication within Mason's College of Humanities and Social Sciences, ranked 7th overall in the Reuters Hot List identifying and ranking the world's top 1,000 climate scientists. Only two other American scientists finished above him, including his research partner Anthony Leiserowitz of Yale University, who finished second.

"This is nice for me professionally and personally," Maibach said. "But the real importance of these rankings is the prominence of social science—two of the top 10 are social scientists. Climate science is indispensable, but if society is to put this knowledge to use, so, too, is social science. That our work is being taken seriously is a good thing."

The three criteria Reuters used in determining the rankings were number of research papers published on topics related to climate change, how often those papers were cited by other scientists in similar fields of study, and how often those papers are referenced in the press, on social media and in policy papers.

Their research has collectively impacted other scientists, the public, activists and political leaders about the dangers of climate change.

"We either make better decisions or we face great peril," Maibach said.

Ann Ardis, the dean of the College of Humanities and Social Services, said she was thrilled with news of Maibach's recognition, but hardly surprised.

"In his longstanding advocacy for climate science, he has not only made significant contributions to the field, but, just as important, he has translated his expertise and his commitment to sharing the impacts of climate change in a way that is understandable to members of the public and to policymakers alike," she said. "His work perfectly illustrates the human side of science."

Joining Maibach on the Reuters Hot List were fellow Mason faculty Jagadish Shukla and Bohua Huang. The full list can be seen at https://reut.rs/2Rt1tmL.

Maibach, who is also a member of Mason's Institute for a Sustainable Earth, is an expert in the use of strategic communication and social marketing to address climate change and related public health challenges. His research has primarily focused on public understanding of climate change and clean energy, the psychology key to public engagement and the cultivation of trusted voices, such as TV weathercasters and health professionals, as effective climate educators.

He's long been lauded for his efforts to better educate the public and policymakers alike since focusing exclusively on climate change as the world's most pressing threat to public health and well-being since 2007.

Maibach played a critical role in the formation of the Yale/Mason Climate Change in the American Mind survey project that has consistently been featured in major media outlets throughout the country for more than a decade.

In January, Maibach and his good friend Leiserowitz were honored by the nonpartisan and San Francisco-based Climate One the as the co-recipients of the Stephen H. Schneider Award given to a natural or social scientist who has made "extraordinary scientific contributions and communicated that knowledge to a broad public in a clear and compelling fashion," according to the press release.

Maibach has also teamed with Mason colleague Mona Sarfaty to create the Medical Society Consortium on Climate Health to organize, empower and amplify the voices of America's doctors about the dangers of climate change to our health and climate solutions that could improve it.Evanina earned a Master of Arts degree in Educational Leadership from Arcadia University and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Public Administration from Wilkes University.

Custom technology solutions company to add 162 jobs in Fairfax County

Ridgeline International, Inc., a technology-based solutions provider for the federal government, commercial, and nonprofit sectors, will invest $1.75 million to expand its operation in Fairfax County.

The company will increase capacity to develop customized solutions that help its clients implement secure communications and guard against security threats, creating 162 new jobs.

"Virginia is home to the highest concentration of tech talent in the nation, which has helped fuel the impressive growth of Ridgeline International in our Commonwealth and globally," said Governor Ralph Northam. "We salute Ridgeline International's veteran-focused mission and innovative spirit and congratulate the company on the success that has led to this expansion in Fairfax County."

Founded in 2015, Ridgeline International was started by a group of men and women who have cumulatively spent more than half a century contributing to the U.S. national security mission. The company delivers integrated technology solutions and provides industry-leading training that enables clients to make technology work for them. Additionally, Ridgeline anticipates future threats by building hardware and software, creating prototypes using 3D printing and engineering, and testing ideas using practical application. In 2019, Ridgeline trained over 1,000 people, deployed to more than 50 countries, and managed systems with more than 2,000 end-users. The company has grown from five employees in 2015 to more than 200 today, and over half of the people hired in 2019 were veterans. Ridgeline has won numerous awards, including being ranked one of America's Fastest Growing Companies by The Financial Times and one of America's Best Startup Employers by Forbes in 2020.

"Tech companies that require a workforce with advanced skills, cutting-edge infrastructure, and close proximity to the federal government continue to launch and expand in Virginia," said Secretary of Commerce and Trade Brian Ball. "Ridgeline International is a great success story for Fairfax County and the Commonwealth, and we are excited to support this next chapter of its growth."

"To fulfill our mission, we need top talent in our workforce and a close read on our customers' unique needs," says Erik Wittreich, CEO of Ridgeline International. "Being headquartered in Virginia allows Ridgeline to tap a rich pipeline of highly qualified job applicants and gives us direct access to our target markets."

The Virginia Economic Development Partnership worked with the Fairfax County Economic Development Authority to secure the project for Virginia and will support Ridgeline's job creation through the Virginia Jobs Investment Program (VJIP), which provides consultative services and funding to companies creating new jobs in order to support employee recruitment and training activities. As a business incentive supporting economic development, VJIP reduces the human resource costs of new and expanding companies. VJIP is state-funded, demonstrating Virginia's commitment to enhancing job opportunities for citizens.

"I am delighted to see Ridgeline International expanding in Fairfax County, and I thank its leaders for their investment here," said Victor Hoskins, president and CEO of the Fairfax County Economic Development Authority. "The company is a perfect fit for the mission-oriented IT ecosystem that thrives here and will benefit from the workforce that makes Northern Virginia and the Washington, D.C. area one of the largest hubs for tech talent."

"We are proud to have Ridgeline International call Fairfax County its home," said Senator Janet Howell. "I congratulate the company on its expansion. Ridgeline International's entrepreneurial spirit and commitment to veterans is representative of what we are cultivating here in Fairfax County: small business growth, national security-focused innovation, and supporting those who served our country."



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What the new playground will look like.

New playground coming to Newington Heights Park

The Fairfax County Park Authority began work last week on a playground replacement project at Newington Heights Park located off Monacan Road in the Mount Vernon District.

The existing playground was at the end of its expected lifecycle. Funding for the project was provided in the amount of $168,000 and includes removal and replacement of the existing play equipment and updating trail connections and the parking lot to meet current Americans with Disabilities Act standards.

The Fairfax County Park Authority began with demolition of the existing last week. Construction access to the site will be from Monacan Drive. The park will remain open while the project is underway, but the parking lot will be closed at times to accommodate construction traffic. It is anticipated that the playground replacement will be completed by early June. Residents should expect construction traffic entering and exiting the park entrance on Monacan Drive.



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Rendering of Workhouse Arts Center expansion.

Workhouse Arts Center vision expanding for restaurant, brewer or other small business

Sitting off busy Ox Road (Route 123), in buildings that were built in the 1920s and 1930s and part of the District of Columbia's Lorton Reformatory, is one of the many ideas that sprang from community input when the prison closed in 2001: the Workhouse Arts Center.

The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors approved rezoning 55 acres of the 2,400-acre prison site for an arts complex, and the Workhouse opened to the public in 2008. Eleven historic buildings have been repurposed for the present-day arts and entertainment campus.

The Workhouse Arts Center presently consists of artist studio buildings, galleries, dance studios, music rooms, classroom space, outdoor performance and event space, and a theater. More than 100 professional and emerging artists are supported at the Workhouse by being provided with affordable studios and galleries in which to exhibit their work.

Now the county wants to expand activities at the Workhouse to include a restaurant, brewery or other small business. Opportunities are available to lease two vacant buildings on the Workhouse Campus. Located at 9514 and 9517 Workhouse Way, the two buildings, at 4,500 square feet each, will be renovated and available this fall.

The county has issued a request for information (RFI) for the use and occupancy of one or both renovated buildings and seeks interested parties to establish and operate restaurants, craft beverage productions, tasting rooms or other uses that will contribute to the enhancement and activation of the campus. Also, to support placemaking goals on the Workhouse campus, the project includes natural landscaping and site enhancements in a shared courtyard and streetscape improvements along Ox Road.

The overall campus vision is to establish a unique, widely recognized destination of choice, providing dynamic and engaging arts, cultural, educational and community-building experiences with unique economic development opportunities. Route 123 is an important commuter route two miles from Interstate 95. The Workhouse campus is surrounded by residential communities and close to recreation areas and historic sites.

"This is an exciting opportunity for new partners to join the vibrant Workhouse community and continue the placemaking that the county began over a decade ago," said Fairfax County Supervisor Daniel G. Storck (Mount Vernon District). "With the ongoing growth in recreation, businesses, amenities and neighborhoods in the Lorton area, this unique historic, adaptive reuse site provides a highly valuable location for restaurants and retail operations."

The Workhouse offers more than 800 arts education classes and workshops in a broad spectrum of art disciplines. Each year the Workhouse Arts Center provides more than 100 exhibitions, 300 performances, and multiple large-scale community events for the region, including community farm markets, drive-in movies, fireworks, brewfest and the annual Mount Vernon Days.

The Workhouse Campus, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, anchors the northern end of the NOVA Arts and Cultural District that was created in 2017 with Occoquan Regional Park and the Town of Occoquan. In connection with the National Historic Preservation Act, the federal government entered into a legally binding memorandum of agreement with Fairfax County and other interested parties to preserve the historically significant buildings and structures on the campus in a manner that favors adaptive reuse.

The Workhouse Arts Center is operated by the Workhouse Arts Foundation, Inc., a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) corporation.

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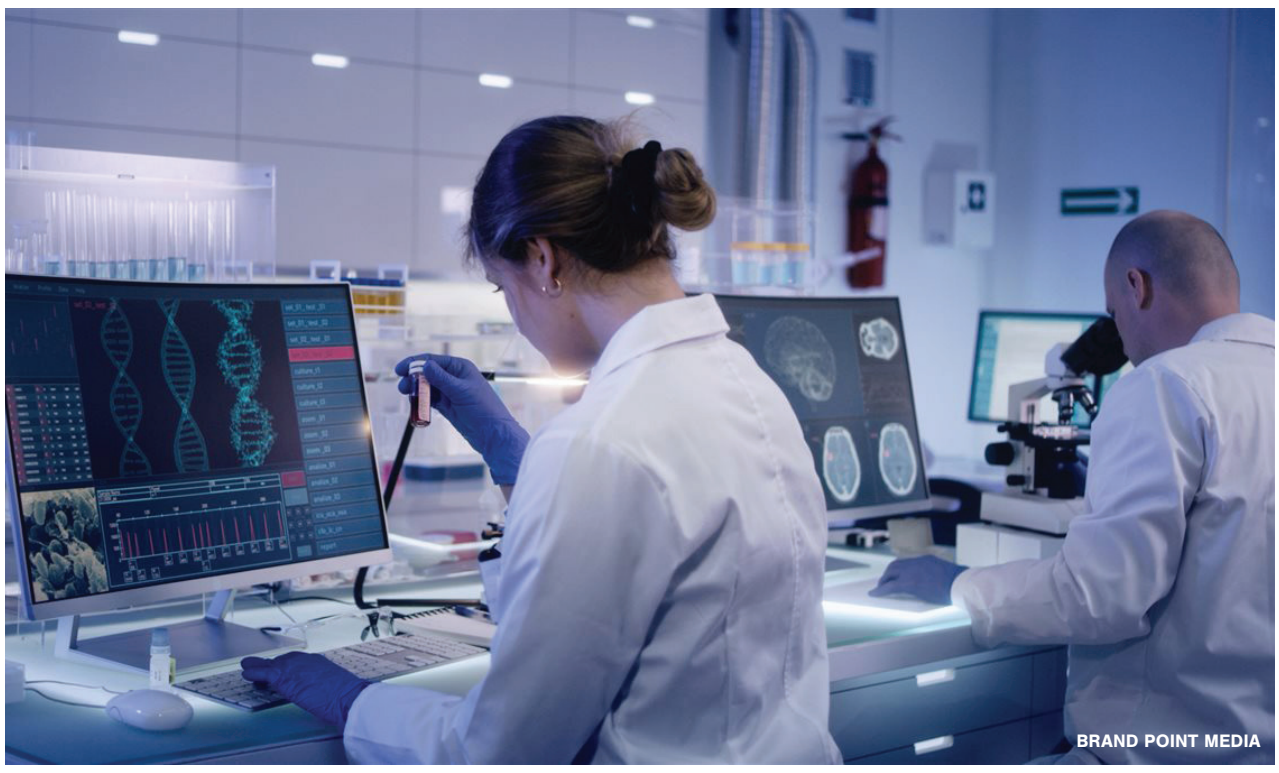
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You may have heard the story about how penicillin was discovered by accident: A Scottish researcher studying the influenza virus came back from vacation to find mold on a culture plate that actually prevented the growth of staphylococci bacteria. And this is not the only case in history of a scientist discovering one thing when they were searching for something else.

In 2013, healthcare company Illumina began offering a non-invasive prenatal test (NIPT) to pregnant women in an effort to find tiny DNA fragments in the women's blood that might indicate chromosomal abnormalities in the fetuses they were carrying. Armed with that information, researchers could potentially detect genetic disorders such as Down syndrome.

Dr. Meredith Halks-Miller, pathologist and laboratory director of Illumina's NIPT clinical lab at the time, noticed odd findings in some of the blood samples of the pregnant women. They didn't show evidence of the chromosomal disorders the test was designed to find, but they indicated abnormalities that raised suspicions.

"I was pretty sure that these expectant mothers had cancer and didn't know it," Halks-Miller recalls. "I encouraged the clinical consulting staff to do more clinical follow-up for these patients even though they appeared to be healthy."

Halks-Miller shared the information with Illumina's chief medical officer at the time, Rick Klausner, a former director of the National Cancer Institute, who told her, "I don't know of anything else that changes the genome the way you're showing me here."

Sure enough, 10 women with these DNA abnormalities were eventually diagnosed with cancer.

That led to the development of Galleri, a new multi-cancer early detection test from the healthcare company GRAIL, spun off from Illumina in 2016, with Klausner as a cofounder. The new test, expected to become commercially available by the summer of 2021, could potentially revolutionize cancer screening. And early cancer detection has the potential to lead to major reductions in both expense and mortality rates.

The beauty of machine learning

Up until now, in the U.S., there have been early-screening tests for only 5 types of cancer:

- PSA test for prostate cancer
- Colonoscopy for colorectal cancer
- Mammography for breast cancer
- Pap smear for cervical cancer
- Low-dose CT scan for people at high risk for lung cancer

But dozens of other cancers - ones for which no screening tests are available - are often detected only after they've begun to spread, making treatment more difficult.

Although the science behind the Galleri test is sophisticated, the underlying premise is straightforward. It uses a single blood test that can detect multiple types of cancers from DNA fragments found in the blood. In fact, in clinical studies, Galleri demonstrated the ability to detect more than 50 types of cancers, as defined by the American Joint Committee on Cancer Staging Manual. It can also indicate where the cancer is located in the body, which can help physicians determine the appropriate diagnostic workup.

Scientists have long known that cancer cells shed DNA fragments into the bloodstream, but until recently, they were unable to discern those signals from background noise. Galleri uses machine learning - essentially algorithms - to filter out the background noise. This use of algorithms means that the test may also improve over time, such as detecting additional types of cancer.

"As more people use the test, the data gathered will improve our ability to interpret the test for the next people," Klausner explained. "So Galleri is probably going to be much better in the future. That's the beauty of machine learning."

The company's models estimate that by adding Galleri to diagnosis by existing cancer screening tests, the test has the potential for earlier-stage detection of nearly 70% of cancers that result in death within five years, which translates to the potential to avert 39% of deaths that would otherwise be expected if not for early detection.

A path to early detection

As the company prepares for Galleri's launch, Klausner explains the intentional balance of enthusiasm with a bit of skepticism. "The company has been set up from day one to be its own harshest critic, because we don't want to emphasize hype over promise," he says. "We've done large, rigorous clinical studies. We've put skeptics on our Scientific Advisory Board. But I feel very comfortable saying we've begun to break the back of this holy grail of cancer, which is early detection."

To learn more about this groundbreaking test, visit www.grail.com/galleri.

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MARKET

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Twenty five vendors were present to sell their items, and the number is expected to grow to about thirty for the rest of the season.

Many COVID-19 safety precautions were in place. Masks and social distancing were required for both vendors and customers. The Farmers Market will be open every Saturday until December 4, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., at Lake Anne Village Center.

Many other businesses are opening up for their business season, especially beer companies who are celebrating American Craft Beer Week, which runs from May 10-16. The Brewer's Association of America is urging beer lovers to shop local this year, and there are three great local spots to support who are offering American Craft Beer Week specials.

All of the companies suffered financially from the pandemic and had to find new ways to conduct business. The Chubby Squirrel Brewing company began canning beers, allowing them to stay afloat. For American Craft Beer Week, they will be releasing several new brews, including a new edition of their FUCOVID stout, which will be cinnamon roll flavored. The Chubby Squirrel is located at 10382 Willard Way.


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Ornery Beer Company, at 3950 University Drive in Fairfax will be offering $5 pints Thursday through Sunday. The company was hit especially hard by the pandemic, forcing them to relocate. Consequently, the company will be moving to a smaller location within the Old Town Plaza Shopping Mall.

"We'll still have a dining room, bar, and our brewery in the space," owner Randy Barnette said. "It's just losing a little space. We are trying to get the new space open for Fairfax City Restaurant Week, which starts on May 24."

Caboose Commons, in Merrifield, is also adding some new flavors for the week. "Our brewers are doing a bunch of sixtels and kegs of beers that we already have and adding something fun to them, whether it's figs, spruce, or something like that," said Derek LaMarr, manager at Caboose Commons. "We're giving them the go-ahead to experiment and basically surprise us."

American Craft Beer Week is in its 15th year of operation and is a chance for beer lovers to show support for their small and independent breweries in a time of great need.

CAMP

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emotional, learning, and attention deficit disorders and abilities.

The service is currently hiring to fill more than 100 open positions for the summer camp.

The TRS will follow coronavirus protocols during the camp to ensure the safety of the campers by minimizing the potential exposure and preventing the spread of the virus. This will include such precautions as staff and campers staying in a "bubble" in order to ensure a consistent group that is virus-free, wearing of masks, daily health checks for staff and campers, intensified cleaning and disinfecting practices, and safe distancing measures.

Summer camp fees will be $80 a week, fee variance and scholarships will be available to those who qualify.

The camp's operating hours will be held from 10am to 3pm beginning June 28. Camp for ages 5-12 will be held at Oak Hill Elementary at 3210 Kinross Circle in Herndon, Pine Springs Elementary at 7607 Willow Lane in Falls Church, and Springfield Estates Elementary at 6200 Charles C Groff Drive in Springfield.

Camp locations for campers aged 13-22 will be held at Carson Middle School at 13618 McLearen Road in Herndon, Jackson Middle School at 3020 Gallows Road in Falls Church, and Key Middle School at 6402 Franconia Road in Springfield.

Mason wins gold in track and field tournament

By Rick Horner
FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

George Mason University Women's track and field team participated in the 2021 Atlantic 10 Outdoor Track and Field Tournament on Sunday. The Patriots placed second overall earning four gold medals and six bronze metals over the course of the two-day event. Mason earned a combined 123 points, just behind Virginia Commonwealth University which won the championship with an overall score of 149 points.

Mason's gold came in the 4 x 100m relay event where the team Ryah Hinds, Davina Lane, Kiana Stallworth, and Kelly-Ann Downer would win with a combined time of 46.34. The team would compete in other events but not place as high as they had collectively in the relay.

Hinds would compete in the 100- and 200-meter dash events placing fifth and third place respectively, Hinds' time of 24.32 would earn her a bronze medal in the later event. Lane would compete in the 100-meter hurdles event where she placed seventh with a time of 14.36. Downer would compete in the 400-meter event coming in at fourth place with a time of 46.34.

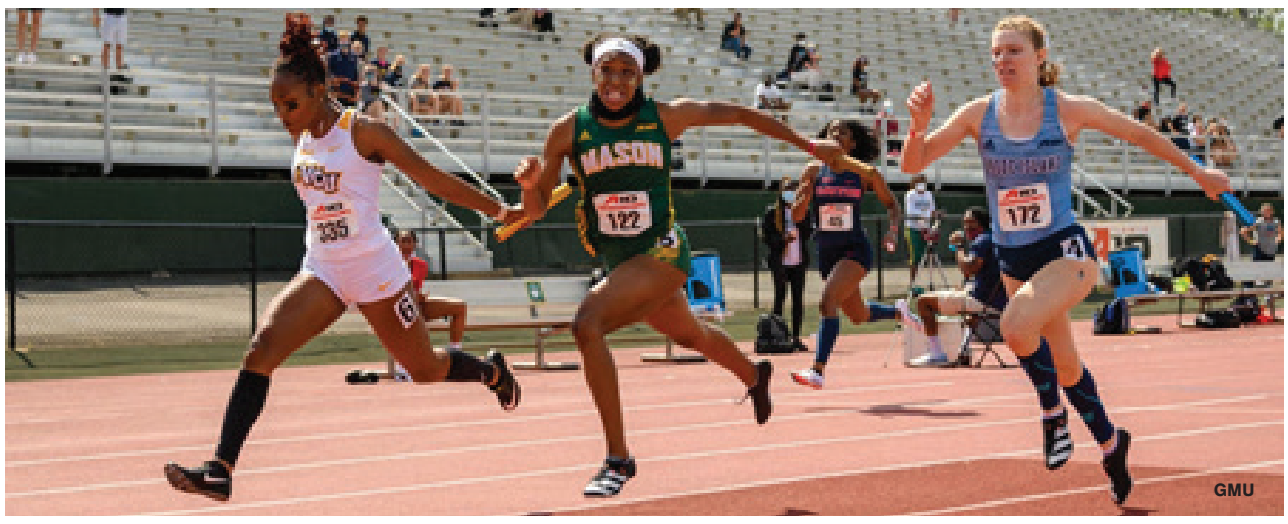
Mason senior Ashley Lewis would also win bronze in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:05.07 which is her second best personal time. Lewis' third place time ranks in the top-30 in the NCAA East Region.

Mason junior Annabelle Eastman would also win bronze in the 5000-meter event with a time of 16:51.86. Fellow Patriots Sarah Francis and Louisa Whittingham would place sixth and ninth in the event respectively with times of 16:51.86 and 17:35.01.

Other noteworthy placements were in the throw events as Grace Gaudin and Casey Nelson put in personal bests in the discus event earning sixth and ninth places. Gaudin threw for a distance of 41.61 meters while Nelson threw for a distance of 40.81 meters. Gaudin also placed seventh in the shot-put event with a toss of 13.44 meters.

Freshman Kelsey Sebwe would place fourth in the triple jump event with a season-best distance of 12.12 meters.

More Mason Track and Field events are scheduled for the next two weeks, set times for events will be posted on Mason's athletics webpage.


GMU

Patriots lose in doubleheader to VCU


RAFAEL SUAREZ / GMU

By Rick Horner
FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

The George Mason Patriots faced off against VCU in a doubleheader this past weekend at the Rams home in Richmond. The Patriots came into the game with a six-game losing streak against VCU, their last win against the Rams coming from an April 2018 game where Mason won in dominate fashion with an 11-3 game.

VCU would take the lead in the bottom of the second inning when Rams shortstop Connor Hujsak hit a two-run homer off of Mason pitcher Kieran Versaw-Barnes. Versaw-Barnes was forced to leave the game with an injury in the bottom of the third inning and was replaced by reliever Evan Chenier who was able to hold off VCU long enough to get their first run at the top of the sixth inning.

Mason designated hitter Scott Morgan would hit his fifth home run of the season cutting the Rams lead in half. However, Morgan's homer would be Mason's sole run of the game for the Patriots as Hujsak would bring in another VCU run with a sacrifice fly in the bottom of the sixth inning. Hujsak's sac-fly would be the last run of the game as VCU would take game 1 at the end of seven innings with a score of 3-1.

In game two Mason showed some promise as left fielder Cam Reckling batted in the first run of the game in the top of the first inning to take an early lead. VCU would respond in the bottom of the inning with an RBI double to tie the score.

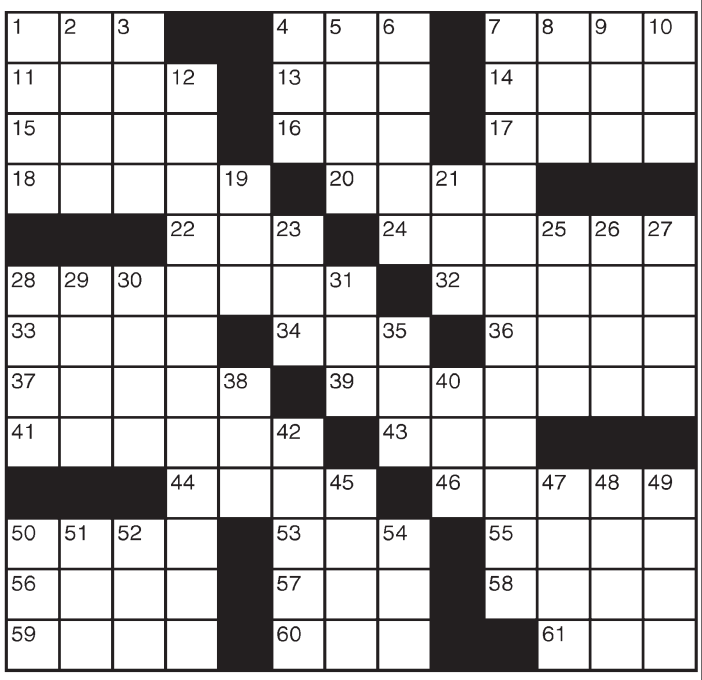
Mason starter would hold off the Rams retiring nine batters until the bottom of the fifth inning when VCU would break the game wide open. The Rams sent another nine batters to the plate which would result in four runs enabling the VCU to take a major 5-1 lead.

VCU would open the guns again in the bottom of the sixth inning as Rams third baseman Tyler Locklear would hit a two-run double that would add to the Rams win with a score of 8-1.

Mason's next weekend doubleheader will be at home against George Washington on May 8.

King Crossword

ANSWER ON B2



ACROSS
1 Put two and two together?
4 Recede
7 Crib cry
11 Weaving frame
13 Standard
14 Author Hunter
15 Falco of "The Sopranos"
16 "The Greatest"
17 Donate
18 Line dance
20 Wife of Jacob
22 Moreover
24 Like bell-bottoms
28 Fragrant flower
32 Ouzo flavor
33 Sparkling Italian wine
34 Nile biter
36 Complain
37 Daily trio
39 Flying horse
41 Soup grain
43 — of 1812
44 Victor's cry
46 Small boat
50 TV clown
53 Tool set
55 Traditional tales
56 Ms. Brockovich
57 Scratch (out)
58 List-ending abbr.
59 Lights-out tune
60 Gender
61 Hill dweller

DOWN
1 Mr. Guinness
2 Nitwit
3 Slay
4 Ecol. watchdog
5 Event for Cinderella
6 Fleeting
7 The Duchess of Sussex who once starred in "Suits"
8 Bird (Pref.)
9 Dallas hoopster, briefly
10 Chemical suffix
12 Multi-state lottery with a huge jackpot
19 Blackbird
21 In the style of
23 "CSI" evidence
25 Ocho —, Jamaica
26 Isaac's eldest
27 Cozy rooms
28 Doorframe piece
29 Cruising
30 Flag feature
31 Mentalist's gift
35 Church seat
38 Stitch
40 Helium, for one
42 Oxen harnesses
45 Goddess of victory
47 Tiny bit
48 Drescher or Tarkenton
49 Fedora fabric
50 Wager
51 Man-mouse link
52 Energy
54 — -Mex cuisine

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How to improve indoor air quality

KEYS TO BETTER HEALTH
CINDY SANTA ANA

How much time do you spend inside your home or other buildings? For most people, it's quite a bit of time, particularly during the wintertime. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) estimates that in the United States, people spend 90% of their time on average indoors. As a result, indoor air pollution may be a greater risk to people's health than outdoor air pollution!

The most effective way to improve indoor air quality is to reduce or remove the source of the air pollutant. Ensuring proper ventilation and utilizing air cleaners also help improve indoor air quality.

1. Control the source

Removing the source of the contaminant is often the easiest and most cost-effective way to minimize or eliminate the problem. For example, by reducing the use of candles and incense containing volatile organic compounds (VOCs), you can easily improve indoor air quality.

Reducing mold in the home is another relatively easy tactic. Mold can be removed with soap and warm water in areas less than one square meter. However, sometimes mold cannot be removed as easily, and contaminated materials may need to be replaced.

Strategies to control humidity and prevent mold growth include:

• Covering pots with a lid when cooking

• Drying your window sills if condensation is visible

• Ensuring the dryer efficiently vents air towards the outside

• Fixing any leaks

• Hanging laundry to dry outside

• Keeping curtains and blinds open

• Repairing damaged grout, caulking, or tiles

• Sealing plumbing pipes with foam insulation if there is condensation present

• Using a bathroom exhaust fan during and after a shower

• Using a kitchen exhaust fan during and after cooking

In other cases, hiring a professional may be necessary in order to control or remove the source of a contaminant. For example, exposed areas containing asbestos can be enclosed and sealed by a professional. It's also important to measure whether there is radon present in your home. You can measure radon levels by purchasing a measuring device yourself or by hiring a professional. It may also be necessary to hire a professional to remove large amounts of mold from certain materials.

Regular cleaning can also help prevent and control sources of contamination. Vacuuming carpets with a high-efficiency particulate air (HEPA) filter to remove trapped dust and small particles and cleaning hard floors with a mop are simple examples. Because cleaning products often emit VOCs, it's important to ventilate your home properly during use. Consider choosing cleaning products that are environmentally safe and contain fewer VOCs. Read product labels and contact the manufacturer of the product to learn more about the listed ingredients. Lastly, do not mix different cleaning products together because they can create harmful VOCs.

2. Ensure proper ventilation

By increasing outdoor air circulation inside, you can easily improve the ventilation of your home or building. One of the easiest ways to do this is by opening windows and doors to let in fresh air. Make sure outdoor air conditions are safe before opening windows and doors. You can look up your local outdoor air quality by referring to your city's air quality index.

Improve indoor air circulation by:

• Allowing for space between furniture and walls

• Ensuring heating vents or baseboards are not blocked

• Opening windows and doors regularly

• Leaving inside doors open

• Using a heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) system

• Utilizing exhaust fans

• Mechanical ventilation appliances such as exhaust fans also help with ventilation, reducing particles and gases in the air by ushering them outside. Exhaust fans are often installed in bathrooms and above stoves, for example. It's important to ensure that exhaust fans are vented outside and that the entry and exit ways are not blocked. Using the back burners of your stove when cooking can help the exhaust fan reduce gases and particles in the air more efficiently.

• It's especially important to ensure proper ventilation, such as by working outdoors when possible or opening windows and doors to promote air circulation, when you're participating in activities involving the use of pollutant-containing materials. Examples include cooking, cleaning, varnishing, painting or stripping paint, home renovating, and woodworking.

• It's also critical to ensure that fuel-burning household appliances are installed properly and inspected regularly by a professional in order to prevent carbon monoxide (CO) levels from reaching dangerous levels. Examples of appliances that burn fuel include water heaters, furnaces, wood stoves, and fireplaces. For this reason, barbecues, camping stoves, and fuel-burning grills of any kind should never be used indoors. Make sure you have a working CO alarm installed inside your home or building. Lastly, do not to smoke indoors.

3. Consider air cleaners

Air cleaners, also called air purifiers, can be helpful for removing particles in the air. However, they do not remove gaseous pollutants and should be used while simultaneously reducing the source of the contaminant and improving ventilation.



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Some air cleaners are more efficient at removing particles from the air than others, and their effectiveness is measured by how well they collect pollutants (efficiency rate) and how much air is drawn through the filter (air circulation rate). Both the efficiency and air circulation rate should be high for the cleaner to be considered effective.

Portable air cleaners that use HEPA filters may reduce air contaminants. Some HEPA air cleaners use electrostatic precipitators that ensure pollutants stick to the filter using electrostatic energy. However, some air cleaners that use electrostatic precipitators also produce ozone and are not appropriate for inside use as a result. Ozone (O3) is a gas with a strong odor that exists in the upper atmosphere and at ground level, and is commonly used to purify air, water and to produce chemicals. Depending on its location, exposure to ozone can be harmful to health and cause coughing, shortness of breath, decreased lung capacity, and skin, nose, and throat irritation. When shopping for an air cleaner, look for options that use a HEPA filter, that are designed for indoor use, and are appropriate for the size of your space.

4. Test your indoor air quality

Indoor air quality testing is another helpful tool for managing indoor air quality. An indoor air quality monitor can measure the particulate matter (e.g., biological contaminants) in the air. Some indoor air quality monitors also measure VOC levels. Monitors to measure indoor air quality in homes can be used to identify high levels of pollutants and may also be helpful if you suspect that your home is contaminated or if you're experiencing symptoms such as headaches, or skin, nose, or throat irritation. If you discover high levels of pollutants, such as biological contaminants or VOCs, in your home, place of business, or other indoor space, you can use the tactics outlined above to improve air quality and minimize your exposure to potentially harmful toxins.

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Power to the People:

Remove Dominion Energy CEO from UVA's Board of Visitors

Dear Editor,

As an alumna of FCPS (go atoms) and a current UVA student, I've witnessed the tremendous monopoly Dominion Energy has over not just my local residency but the entire commonwealth. Due to Robert Blue's position as the CEO of Dominion Energy, he cannot be relied upon to make objective decisions on UVA's Board of Visitors - that is - when afforded the opportunity to line his pockets.

Dominion's past investments are evident enough of its loyalty to fossil fuels. Over the course of 6 years, Dominion contributed a staggering $8 billion dollars for the Atlantic Coastal Pipelines. In doing so they also prove their loyalty to the degradation of our neighborhoods.

While the University intends to be carbon neutral by 2030, Blue's conflict of interest has proven to be counter-productive to the UVA's efforts and the University's complacency will only hurt our goals. We implore UVA students and staff, Charlottesville residence, and all fellow Virginians to come forth as one, bring truth to power, and sign to remove Blue from UVA's Board of Visitors.

Pledge: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1X-l4KvLdidcNbtxQkcM5s9h-VE1AOHLe98pWeR-o88u7OM/edit

Ephrata Yohannes
Annandale, VA

Local child welfare non-profit hosts community fundraiser

Dear Editor,

I enjoyed reading about the the Local child welfare non-profit hosts community fundraiser. I was very happy about how there are still charity runs during a pandemic. I really feel bad for the kids who are my age are being abused. It is great how the kids stay positive ,and how they have such resilience after all the challenges they face. It is also amazing how hard the volunteers work ,so that the kids who were abused get what they need. It really makes sense why it makes them similar to Superheroes. Thank you for informing me about the fundraiser.

Aarjav Jain
Chantilly, VA

Ethics of Cyber Warfare against Nation States

Dear Editor,

Ethics starts with determining the laws of war and trying to regulate what is considered legal in the eyes of international law. The additional protocols of the Geneva Convention in 1977 mentions the prevention of "an attack which may be expected to cause incidental loss of civilian life, injury to civilians, damage to civilian objects, or a combination of thereof, which would be excessive in relation to the concrete and direct military advantage anticipated" (ICRC, 1977).

As a nation state, national security is one of the most important duties that involve protecting the government and its people. In the beginning, national security pertained to various types of military threats, while cyber security became a late addition to ongoing threats that no longer requires a declaration before taking action. Regardless of time and location, attacks can be conducted at any moment as long as there is access to the cyber world.

Conducting an offensive cyber warfare on a nation state can raise severe ethical issues for the public. Being completely different from any type of conventional weapon, the general population is at the greatest risk of being exposed to the destruction of its economy, energy, food, and critical infrastructure. A state's critical infrastructure is composed of physical, non-physical, and cyber resources or support services that are necessary for society and its economy to function at its minimum standard.

Stuxnet is one of the earliest forms of cyber warfare where it achieved its goal of hindering Iran's nuclear program for roughly a year. It was able to "launch an offensive on four companies" (Zetter, 2017) that had connections with the nuclear program. Delaying the progress of a nation state's weapon capabilities might be one of the very few ethical attacks. Meanwhile, near-peer adversaries such as Russia has shown capabilities to interfere with elections and government affairs throughout the world and reap the benefits of chaos and instability.

In a way, cyber warfare against nation states have been long underway due to being a subject of uncertainty and the lack of enforcement by any international organization or law. This allows various nation state actors to exploit each other's critical infrastructures in hopes of getting the results they need. A simple event such as temporary loss of water or power for prolonged periods could be just enough to cause public panic.

As stated in the Geneva Convention, there is a good possibility where cyber warfare can be viewed as unethical or illegal. The effects of an offensive cyber warfare is uncontrollable, and the damage to civilians and infrastructure can be difficult to assess. It must be acknowledged that legality issues play a major role in the cyber world. In order to prohibit unnecessary suffering, the international community must agree to develop proper laws that apply to the protection of civilian population and objects.

Simon Park

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Ocean carrier greed must stop

Dear Editor,

During times of economic strife there are almost always industry segments that thrive for all the wrong reasons. During the COVID-19 pandemic, that segment has been the ocean carrier community. In 2020, ocean carriers cemented historic, record-breaking profits due to the increase in demand for products being imported into the U.S. While shippers have seen prices increase dramatically, we've also seen delays mount up.

NACD is an international association of chemical distributors and their supply-chain partners. A recent survey of ours found that over 80% of respondents have experienced average delays of 11 days or more. Shipping costs are also up an average of over 80 percent since the outbreak of the pandemic. Delays and price increases don't only mean inconvenience and lost revenues, they also mean higher consumer prices and the potential for shortages of the inputs that go into some of our most critical industrial and consumer goods.

Commerce from shipping is critical to Norfolk and the entire state of Virginia. In 2020, 2.8 million containers moved through the Port of Virginia — providing work and stability for many Virginians. But the greed of ocean carriers is threatening all that with sky-high rates and unacceptable delays. It's time for leaders in Virginia to hold ocean carriers accountable for their anti-competitive behavior.

Eric R. Byer
President and CEO
National Association of Chemical Distributors (NACD)



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LOVE MAKES A FAMILY

Celebrating the moms in your life on Mother's Day

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What makes a family? Ask people across the country and one answer stands out: Love. This single word is what it means to be a mother. From care and compassion to encouragement and support, every family grows stronger through the endless love a mother provides.

A mom can be anyone who loves without bounds. This Mother's Day, remember all the moms in your life - birth mom, adopted mom, step mom, grandma, aunt- who stepped in and stepped up. That includes the supermoms doing it all, especially this past year. Here are some ideas that are sure to touch her heart and make her smile:

Colorful flowers

Just like she brightens your day, you can do the same with colorful Mother's Day flowers from 1-800-Flowers.com. If you know her favorite kind of flower, choose an arrangement featuring that variety to really show you are listening and care about her interests. To make the gift extra special, check out their One-of-a-Kind Bouquets, specially created by local florists to create luxurious, hand-curated designs that will surely impress.

Gratitude collection

Want a fun project that the whole family can do together? Cut colorful construction paper into 1-inch strips and write down different things you love about Mom or why you're thankful for her. Then either loop and tape each piece together to make a decorative chain or fold into a jar so she can pull out each compliment one by one.

Sweet & savory treats

Whether she craves chocolate-dipped strawberries, fresh fruit or meat and cheese pairings, there are indulgent food gift baskets to fit any personality. Give her a reason to enjoy something she loves without the task of purchasing and preparing it!

Perfect plants

For the mom who loves all things green or blooming, consider sending a plant. Succulent gardens are on trend and low-maintenance, so it's easy for Mom to enjoy them month after month. Lilies and lavender are other popular picks, but feel free to get what you think she'd enjoy most. Trends aside, you know her best.

Creative cards

It might sound simple, but a card is a small gesture with meaningful impact. This is especially true if you take time to write a heartfelt note. Share a favorite memory and tell her why she's so special.

There's no better time to celebrate moms everywhere. Because there are #NoLimitsonLove, make sure you show every mother figure in your life you care this Mother's Day.



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A trendy, edible gift for Mother's Day

Courtesy of Family Features

Every Mother's Day is an opportunity to show your mom just how special she is and how grateful you are for all she does. Make her day with a present that wraps the personal touch of a handmade craft and the novelty of a quirky trend into one unforgettable gift.

This year, upgrade your usual flower fare with an arrangement that's beautiful and delicious: a California cheese bouquet. Customizable with ingredients tailored to fit your loved one's tastes, these thoughtful gifts combine cheeses, berries, herbs and more wrapped together for a perfect Mother's Day celebration centerpiece and gift with an artsy (and thoughtful) touch.



FAMILY FEATURES

Created by cheesemonger Jessica Lawrenz, these easy-to-follow crafts for a Classic Cheese Bouquet or a California Bounty Cheese Bouquet call for wholesome cheese made with 100% sustainably sourced Real California Milk from dairy farm families. For best results, use medium-bodied cheeses that can be easily skewered without softening up at room temperature.

Find additional cheese bouquet inspiration and more recipes to celebrate Mother's Day by visiting realcalifornimilk.com.

CALIFORNIA BOUNTY CHEESE BOUQUET

Craft courtesy of Jessica Lawrenz (@mongermoldandmilk)

INGREDIENTS

Real California White Cheddar • Real California Smoked Jalapeno Cheddar • Bay leaves
Real California Brie Cheese • Salumi or Salami (thinly sliced) • Lemonquats • Rosemary
Mini apples • Fresh figs • Green grapes • Goldenberries • Dried apricots
Mini artichokes • Olive leaves • Wax flowers

TOOLS

Knife • Floral foam block • Plastic wrap • Vase or bouquet paper • Ribbon or twine
Flower cookie cutters (various sizes) • U-shaped toothpicks • Wooden skewers
Toothpicks • Floral tape

CLASSIC CHEESE BOUQUET

Craft courtesy of Jessica Lawrenz (@mongermoldandmilk)

INGREDIENTS

Real California White Cheddar Cheese • Real California Brie Cheese • Goldenberries
Salumi or Salami (thinly sliced) • Lemonquats • Mini apples • Mini artichokes
Rosemary • Bay leaves • Wax flowers

TOOLS

Knife • Floral foam block • Plastic wrap • Vase or bouquet paper • Ribbon or twine
Flower cookie cutters (various sizes) • U-shaped toothpicks • Wooden skewers
Toothpicks • Floral tape

INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAKING EITHER BOUQUET

- Using knife, cut floral block into shape that fits inside vase. If using bouquet paper, use base at least 3 inches across and 4 inches high.
- Wrap floral block in plastic wrap to keep from touching items in bouquet; place inside vase. If using bouquet paper, place wrapped floral block in mug to keep from falling over.
- Use various cookie cutters to prepare cheeses as flowers.
- To create salumi roses, lay out 4-5 slices salumi overlapping one another. Fold row in half and roll into rose bud, securing with u-shaped toothpick. Place on skewer, add herb leaves and use floral tape to secure ends of toothpick to skewer. Repeat.
- Skewer cheeses, salumi roses, lemonquats, mini apples, fresh figs, green grapes, goldenberries, dried apricots and mini artichokes.
- To assemble, start in center with larger items. Use shorter skewers or toothpicks to secure smaller items closer to edges.
- Use rosemary, bay leaves, olive leaves and wax flowers to fill gaps in back of bouquet.
- To wrap: Once finished, gently lay block with skewers on top of paper, wrap and secure with tape and ribbon.



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Jammin Java welcomes Dan Navarro

The singer sets sail on his Nomad Van tour



By Keith Loria
SPECIAL TO THE FAIRFAX COUNTY TIMES

Dan Navarro loves the highway. And for more than three decades, the talented performer has toured all across the U.S., spending hundreds of days on the road each year.

"I pine for the road every day," he said. "I love the touring. I love seeing new places, and seeing places I've seen hundreds of times and seeing that familiarity."

That's why when the pandemic hit, he found himself in an unusual place—though he hasn't stopped playing.

"I decided in mid-March of last year to do some streaming from home, and lots of singers did that, but I was relatively early on the scene," he said. "I started going practically daily—six days a week for five months. In August, I cut it down to three days a week and started doing streams for venues, to help them out. Overall, I've done 215 streams in a year's time."

But like most people, Navarro is tired of being home, so he bought a van in February and hit the road, touring at safe, socially-distant clubs and outdoor venues. On Sunday, May 9, Navarro will make a stop at Jammin Java for a 7 p.m. show.

"I needed to find a way to bring my audience and new audience members together and sort of commiserate; not complain, just look at the bright side, share some stories, have some laughs and stay encouraged," he said. "It's been really effective and fun. I'm doing remarkably well."

Although he's no longer shaking hands or hugging his fans like he once would, Navarro promised that the concerts are not too dissimilar than his shows from pre-pandemic, just that there's more space for people, and he recommends people wear masks at any point they are out of their designated "pod."

"Everyone has been so starved for live entertainment, and the response has been great," he said. "I'm going to remain safe, I'm not going to let my guard down just because I'm vaccinated. I wouldn't do anything to cost me a fan."

The Jammin Java show will include a lot of new songs that fans may not have heard before.

"I'm still writing a lot, so there will be some of those in the show," Navarro said. "I'm focusing more on some of the signs of hope. My songs always had a little bit of a poignant tinge to them, but there was always a ray of hope at the end of the tunnel, and I'm trying to focus on that a little bit more."

For instance, in October, he teamed with psychiatric healthcare worker Rebecca Sanford to write new lyrics for "We Belong," that were designed to show the appreciation for healthcare workers and frontline responders.

"We wanted to let them know we have their back, we're going to be there for them and they can lean on us," Navarro said. "That will be the version of the

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STAY TUNED

Jean Smart is excellent in new dark comedy 'Hacks'



HBO MAX

Jean Smart plays a legendary comic in "Hacks."

By Melissa Crawley
MORE CONTENT NOW

A documentary examines the opioid epidemic, a 1990s concert series ushers in spring and Jean Smart gives a great performance as a comedy legend.

Dispatches: Weekly TV news

"Wilma!" The Flintstone's are getting an update. Elizabeth Banks, along with Fox Entertainment and Warner Bros. Animation, are developing **"Bedrock,"** a primetime animated adult comedy series that catches up with the Stone Age family two decades after the original. Heading into the Bronze Age, Fred is looking to retire, and daughter Pebbles is a 20-something beginning her career. Along with producing the series, Banks will voice the character of Pebbles.

Contenders: Shows to keep on your radar

The third and last season of **"Shrill"** premieres with all eight episodes (May 7, Hulu). This season, Annie (Aidy Bryant) is feeling upbeat, thanks to her breakup with lame boyfriend Ryan (Luka Jones) and a newly energized work life. It seems that things are finally lining up in her favor but getting what she really wants may be more challenging than she thought.

Based on Mark Millar and Frank Quitely's graphic novels, **"Jupiter's Legacy"** (May 7, Netflix) follows the conflict between an older generation of superheroes and their children, who have different ideas about what it means to be heroic.

AXS TV gets nostalgic this spring with a limited concert series, **"Long Live the 90s"** (May 9, 9 p.m. ET). The special is a collection of concerts featuring seven influential bands who helped shape the music of the decade, starting with Pearl Jam's concert film, "Let's Play Two," which documented the band's two-night stop at Wrigley Field.

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FROM THE DOG'S PAW

Creating a dog-friendly garden

By Abby!
SPECIAL TO THE
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VINCENT VAN ZALINGE / UNSPLASH

Woofs! A favorite pastime of many humans is planting gardens full of beautiful annual and perennial flowers and vegetables! Barks, if you have a dog that enjoys pawlaying or digging in your yard, you'll need to do some pawlanning!

Barkingly, start your dog out to becoming the bestest-dog-he-can-be by training him to obey voice commands! A course in basic obedience will be a pawsome blessing for both of you. If your dog understands commands of "stop," "heel," or "sit," it will be less likely to mow down, or chomp down, your plants or swallow yard debris that looks edible, especially to a Labrador like me! Barks, some obedience training may teach your dog certain areas of the garden are off-limits! Woofsly, you can teach your dog that it's a pawsome quiet place to relax. Barkingly, be consistent with the teaching appropriate areas for zoomies, playing, exploring, are on hikes, walks, or the dog park. Woof, I have run of my backyard, but I try to miss the flowers- especially if I know Mom likes them! WOOFS!

Pawingly, once you have determined which plants to use in your garden that are not toxic to dogs, you should consider the placement of the garden to avoid your dog's favorite places to run or play. Woofs, I love running along the fence, making sure we're safe, so anything planted along there will get trampled. Barkingly, when planning a garden in our yard, Dad purposely left an area which has no plants or obstacles which I could run into or destroy. He created his wildflower garden in the back area- though I like to play in it too! WOOFS!

Barks, selecting plants for your garden can be the mostest fun of the season. If your canine is your garden buddy, like I am with my human, you will want to select larger plants that are already established. These plants will be easier for your dog to avoid when chasing a stick or ball and less likely to be trampled. Paws, when Noah was young, he loved nothing more than grabbing the little six-pack containers of annuals and shaking them as hard as he could, sending flowers in every direction!

Paws, when Dad finds flowers that he wants but wants to protect them from… well me… he plants them in large containers and hanging baskets! Barkingly, he might put a small fence or create a barrier to keep me away. Container gardening is great for humans with dogs who cannot resist digging. This does NOT mean he can plant toxic plants. Woofs!

If your dog is a digger, like I am, you can use spices, like ground mustard or crushed dried pepper, around plants to deter him. Barkingly, coffee grounds can do the trick and act as a fertilizer too! Paws, rosemary, sage, and bitter orange have odors that dogs tend to keep away.

As a dog full of good feedings, I do my best to "fertilize" the yard. Paws, Dad says it's not really what the plants need. When he searches for plant fertilizer, he makes sure it is pet-friendly. There are pawlenty of natural products available. If he can't find it pet-friendly, he pays close attention to the instructions for pets being around the product.

Paws, most humans enjoy having a beautiful, well-kept, lush green yard. I love it because it gives me pawlenty of pawlaces to lay out in the sun watching the world go by and who doesn't love rolling around in the grass? BARKS! With that, lawn care chemicals can be dangerous. Several years ago now, my human researched lawn care products to achieve that great look. Arf, he became concerned with chemicals used and how it could affect dogs and cats! Barkingly, he found Natural Lawn of America (https://naturalawn.com/)(No affiliation-Personal use of the product only) which uses primarily natural ingredients to create a beautiful lawn. It's a safe product to use around me and my canine buddies- him too! Oh, and cats too! Woofs.

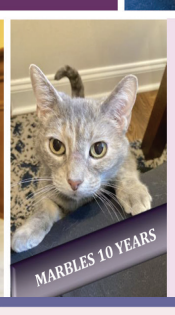
If you want to keep dogs out of your yard, resist the temptation to use planters or garden art along the sidewalk where they walk. The "Do Not…" signs are a cute idea, but dogs can't read, so they may see these as an invitation to leave pee-mail! WOOFS!

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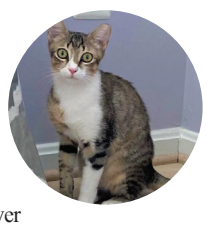
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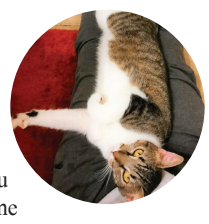
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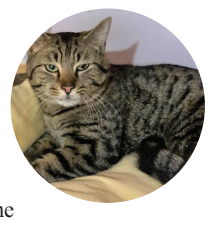
Breed: Domestic short hair
Age: 5 months
Gender: Male neutered
Kiri is a quiet guy who likes to check out his surroundings and watch the birds from his cat tree. Kiri enjoys the company of other cats but would also be happy as an only cat in a new forever home.

Cristal



Breed: Domestic short hair
Age: 1 year
Gender: Female spayed
Cristal arrived from Puerto Rico after life on the streets. She's ready to rest and relax in a new home on a warm lap. Cristal will seek you out for pets and treats and is always up for some playtime.

Garfield



Breed: Domestic short hair
Age: 1 year
Gender: Male neutered
Garfield has it all that you want in brown tabby, lovable, easy going and ready to enjoy a home of his own. Garfield was given up when he was saved from being left at the shelter by his owner who didn't want him anymore. When FFGW found out he needed a place to go as the shelter was full, we grabbed up this darling. Don't miss out on this big lovable boy!

Harriett



Breed: Domestic short hair
Age: 10 years
Gender: Female spayed
Harriet is a beautiful golden-brown tabby. Her human recently passed away and her and her sister Marbles were taken to the shelter where FFGW happily took them in to help find them a new home. Harriet can be a bit shy at first but once settled in she likes to take time exploring her new environment and seek out the best bird watching spots and soak up sun rays in front of the window. She is ready to be adopted with her sister Marbles.

Madeline



Breed: Domestic short hair
Age: 2 years
Gender: Female spayed
Madeline is very loving and sweet. She has a calm nature and likes cuddling and sleeping. She's a doll baby that enjoys being petted and loved on. Madeline is everything you want in a Tuxedo girl. This little lady has a special trait too, she loves to hold your hand. Madeline is ready for you to help her settle into her new home.

Marbles



Breed: Domestic short hair
Age: 10 years
Gender: Female spayed
Marbles is a stunning dilute calico. Her foster mom said that Marbles is the 'gold standard of pets'. She's a good companion, but not needy, can entertain herself when she feels like playing, has good eating and litter box habits, and enjoys cuddling. Marbles has a great big purr to help sooth your soul.

— King Crossword —

Answers

Solution time: 22 mins.

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Fancy Paper for Mom Looking for an easy gift for Mom on her special day? Be creative by designing some paper that will amaze her. 10 a.m. May 7 and 2:45 p.m. May 8. Cost is $20 per family. Sully Historic Site, 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly. For more information visit https://bit.ly/2PN19Pl.

Annual Needlework Show & Sale Hindsight 2020: Needlework Expressions of a Historic Year reflects the flow of emotions, observations and reactions of this unprecedented time. The show runs every day except Tuesdays through May 31 and culminates in a tent show on that day. Cost is $15. Woodlawn & Pope-Leighey House, 9000 Richmond Hwy., Alexandria. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3un0Aeb.

Black Voices Screening The project is a storytelling and movement initiative based on lived experiences of students from Mason's School of Dance. 7:30 p.m. May 7. This virtual event is free. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3eWrWBi.

A Song of Freedom features world premieres by Evelyn Simpson-Curenton and Michael W. Nickens in this virtual event. 8 p.m. May 8. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3b1ki7G.

Ellen Reid Soundwalk is a GPS-enabled work of free public art that uses music to illuminate the natural environment. Continues through Sept. 6. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3cSyZLw.

Workhouse Arts Education programs include visual arts, dance and theater, culinary arts, ceramics and glass and camps. For more information visit the class catalog at https://bit.ly/3uNLejG.

Arcadia Enjoy a public sound and light installation created by artist Sam Nester offered in partnership with Murals at Mason and Mason Exhibitions initiatives. This will be accessible through December via Twitch livestream as well as in person. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3sEUJAn.

Community Information

Please check the event and attraction websites to confirm operating status.

Twilight by Kayak Watch the sun set on Burke Lake as the wildlife settles in for the night and return to the dock by the light of the moon. All equipment provided. 6 to 8 p.m. May 7. Cost is $22. Burke Lake Park, 7315 Ox Rd., Fairfax Station. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3un6D2n.

Family Fun: Mother Earth Listen to myths and legends celebrating Mother Earth. Learn about mothers in nature and create a special craft. 11 a.m. to noon. May 8. Cost is $10. Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Rd., Alexandria. For more information visit https://bit.ly/2POf4ot.

Cinema in the Community presents Library Comic Con After Dark. Bring your chairs and blankets and celebrate the 20th Anniversary of Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone. Library fair, food trucks and more 6:30 p.m. May 8. Cost is $7 per person or $20 per group. Chantilly Regional Library, 4000 Stringfellow Rd., Chantilly. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3b2eF9k.

Nature Your Way in Spring Join a naturalist for a personal walking tour along the Old Oak Trail for up to nine members of your family group. 10 or 11 a.m. May 9. Cost is $45. Registration closes three days before each date. Hidden Oaks Nature Center, 7701 Royce St., Annandale. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3tp5fLy.

Bringing Up Baby Take an entertaining look at parenting throughout history and explore child-rearing advice of times past in this virtual Mother's Day tea. 2 p.m. May 9. Cost is $12. Optional tea box is $24. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3b1s7Kp.

Funday Monday Enjoy My Gym this week. 10:30 a.m. May 10. Free. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3h1J3Vg.

Super Snakes Join a naturalist to meet live snakes and learn why they are important. They head out on a hike to search for snakes. 10 a.m. May 11. Cost is $10. Burke Lake Park, 7315 Ox Rd., Fairfax Station. For more information visit https://bit.ly/33e40E3.

Night Sky Tour Webinar This program is a fun tour of planets, constellations, stars and more in the night sky that can be seen with the eye or through telescopes. 7:30 p.m. May 12. Cost is $8. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3vHAUcm.

ONGOING

Donation Drive Drop off new shoes, diapers and other donations to benefit Women Giving Back. Drive continues through May 31. Providence Community Center, 3001 Vaden Dr., Fairfax. For more information visit https://bit.ly/3eQ4xlh.

Senior Womens Softball Join a league with games on Saturday and Wednesday mornings in Vienna. Ages 40+. For more information visit goldengirls.org.

Online Storytime with Fairfax County Public Library. Every Tuesday and Thursday at 10 a.m. Visit https://bit.ly/2HOBkut.

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

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NAVARRO

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song I will do in the show, and I'll probably close with that."

Navarro started his career in the music biz as a songwriter, teaming with Eric Lowen, penning Pet Benatar's classic, "We Belong" and scoring hits for artists like The Bangles, Jackson Browne, The Temptations, Dionne Warwick and Dionne Warwick.

He would team with Lowen as an acoustic duo throughout the '90s and early 2000s, but Nararro went solo when his partner decided to retire in 2009. That year, after 22 years and recording 12 albums with Lowen, Navarro released "Live at McCabe's," his first solo record, which found plenty of fan and critical love.

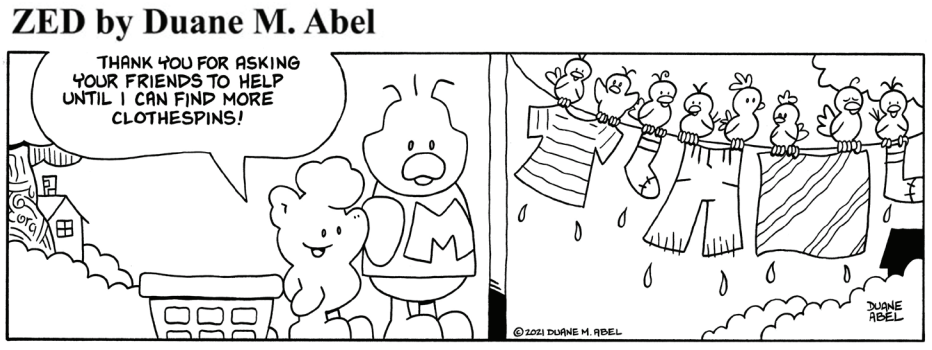
Sadly, Lowen would succumb to Lou Gehrig's Disease three years later and Navarro has done a great deal in supporting ALS over the years.

The singer has also found success as a voice actor, appearing in films, TV shows, video games and commercials.

Looking ahead to the remainder of 2021, Navarro plans on releasing a new album, which will mark his first-ever solo studio album. But for now, he's just concentrating on the highway ahead.

"I love coming down Maple towards Jammin Java—it's been a road I've been travelling on for 31 years," he said. "I've missed the people and connecting with them, and missed the feeling of what happens to your body when the music comes through you."

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HACKS

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The rest of the lineup is: Garbage (May 16), Stone Temple Pilots (May 23), Jane's Addiction (June 6), Rage Against the Machine (June 13), The Black Crowes (June 20) and Soundgarden (June 27).

With half a million deaths from overdoses this century, the opioid epidemic is a devastating public health crisis. **"The Crime of the Century" (**May 10, HBO, 9 p.m. ET) explores its origins and wide-ranging impact by examining Big Pharma, the political players and the government regulations that allowed over-production and careless distribution of synthetic opiates. The two-part documentary is directed by Emmy and Academy Award winner Alex Gibney and presented in association with The Washington Post.

Dark comedy, **"Hacks"** (May 13, HBO Max), is the story of Deborah Vance (Jean Smart), a hardworking comedy legend who still packs the house of her Las Vegas show every night, but her boss wants to give the Friday and Saturday slots to a younger act. Her manager's solution is to send her a young comedy writer named Ava (Hannah Einbinder) who is talented but also entitled and lazy. It's a rocky start that gradually develops into a relationship of mutual respect. Smart is a standout in the role of Vance, giving her complexity on and off the comedy stage while Einbinder succeeds in the difficult task of making you care about an unlikable character. "Hacks" debuts with two episodes and continues with two new episodes weekly.

Report Card:
Ratings winners and losers

Winners: The CW renewed **"Kung Fu"** and **"DC's Stargirl"** for the 2021-22 season.

Losers: "Legends of Tomorrow" (The CW) started season six with series lows.

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FICO: Analytic Consulting - Lead Consultant. Leverages adv. Analytics sftwr. to develop decision support applications for clients across Americas. Works w/ data scientists & mathematicians to gather req., & design & develop end-user applications. Up to 15% domestic travel req'd. Req: Bach. or equiv.+ 5 yrs. exp. Jobsite: Fairfax, VA. Apply online at www.fico.com. Must reference job code 24586 for consideration. Unrestricted right to work in US req'd.

Architects
CBA Architects, P.C. is looking for an Architect in McLean, VA to assist & collaborate in devlmt of surveys, design & CAD doc through planning, sketching & rendering. Meet w/vendors, contractors & clients. Coordinate w/engs. Refine finish selections. Prepare 3D Renderings & other comp desgns. Prepare docs for building permit. Must have expertise in creation of 3D rendering & comp desgn progms. Bach's degree in Architectural Eng or related field & 12mths of exp reqird. Send resumes via e-mail at cbaarchitectspc@gmail.com, ATTN: Craig Bennett.

System Architect – McLean, VA. Seeking candidate 2 yrs soft. dev't exp. with Oracle/SQL/VB/C++.. Mail CV to Attn: HR/Job #0407, 22nd Century Technologies, Inc., 8251 Greensboro Dr. #900, McLean, VA 22102.

Help Wanted

Government Relations Specialist: Comm. & collab. w/ engineer teams & manuf. team b/t US & Taiwan. Prod. instructional videos. Create content for digital media & ind. magazine publ. Implement email campaigns & market rsrch. Engage governmental agencies & community groups. Prepare pre-tradeshow mkting. materials & products; demon. products & give presentations. Min. rqmts: Bachelor in Public Admin./Relations, Comm., or Journ. 24 mon. exp. in job offered, Multimedia Specialist, or rel. positions. Knowledge of & exp. using Marketing & video production tools & software incl.: Adobe Suite, After Effects, InDesign Premiere Pro, Photoshop, Mailchimp Marketing System. Knowledge & exp. of media production, communication, & dissemination techniques & methods. Able to use professional video capture equipment. Grant writing knowledge. Req. domestic & int'l travel 10% of time, approx. Resumes to job loc: Nearson Inc., 3775-C Pickett Rd., Fairfax, VA 22031. Attn: S. Su.

Clarewood University is seeking a full-time Director, Student Academic Advising. Position requires Bachelor's degree in educational psychology or a related field plus at least one year experience as an education advisor or on a similar position. Good communication skills and attention to details. Please mail resume to Clarewood University, 1840 Michael Faraday Dr., Suite 100, Reston, VA, 20190

Help Wanted

TECHNOLOGY
Xchanging Solutions Inc. is accepting resumes for the position of Senior Professional System Analyst in Tysons, VA (Ref. # 4700089). Design, develop and implement new methods and procedures of the technical solution that meets the requirements of the project. Design may involve major and highly complex systems. Assess existing systems and recommends technical improvements (e.g., performance upgrades). Provide detailed documentation of moderately complex system specifications, including system scripts, system installation. Will work at unanticipated client sites throughout the U.S. Telecommuting is permissible. Mail resume to Xchanging Solutions Inc, 6901 Windcrest Drive Plano Texas 75024. Resume must include Ref. #, full name, email address & mailing address. No phone calls. Must be legally authorized to work in U.S. without sponsorship. EOE.

Senior Consultant sought by Macedon Consulting d/b/a Macedon Technologies in Reston, VA. Responsible for designing, developing, and implementing complex business processes using the Appian platform, with supervision. Requires occasional travel up to 10%. Telecommuting is allowed for this role. Apply @ www.jobpostingtoday.com #78693.

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Software Developers (multiple positions) Degree in comp/eng. related. MS with 2 yrs or BS with 5 yrs of work experience. Travel/Reloc.

Require expertise/expr:

(1) JAVA/J2EE tech, UI tech. (JSF), Spring, Hibernate, Maven/Gradle w/ Bamboo/Jenkins pipeline, Rich & Prime faces, Micro-Services, Web Serv, SOAP, Oracle, SQL, Big Data analytics with Apache Kafka & Scala , Cloud tech AWS (EKS , EC2 and ECS), Docker & Kubernetes.
(2) Software Eng, Software Project Mgmt, JAVA prog, QA testing & DB design & analysis. Tech. skills in Web serv (JSON, SOAP), Spring Framework Modules, Spring Boot, MVC patterns, Restful Serv, DevOps tools (Jenkins, Git, Urban code), Selenium & Agile methodologies.

Send Resumes to: PMG Global Corp, 13800 Coppermine Road, Suite 238, Herndon, VA 20171.

TECHNOLOGY
CSC Covansys Corporation is accepting resumes for the position of IDM (Identity and Access Management) Engineer in Tysons, VA (Ref. #4442562) Build and deploy next generation Consumer Identity & Access Management solutions for key Automotive client in support of a multi-year, strategic outsource engagement. Telecommuting is permitted. Position requires up to 50% travel to various, unanticipated locations in the U.S. Mail resume to CSC Covansys Corporation, 6901 Windcrest Drive, Plano, TX 75024. Resume must include Ref. #, full name, email address & mailing address. No phone calls. Must be legally authorized to work in U.S. without sponsorship. EOE.

Software Developers
I.T. Firm seeks Software Developers: Degree in Computer/Engineering related field. MS (1 yr) or BS (5 yr) of work experience. Travel/Reloc.

(1) Expertise in Cloud computing & arch, Mainframe tech. (COBOL, JCL, CICS, VSAM), JAVA/J2EE, HP ALM, Mockito, Java Script, Spring MVC, SQL & DB2
(2) BI Developers with expertise in data analysis & modeling, Qlik View, JDA Supply suites, PL/SQL, Oracle DB, Unix/Linux Shell Scripts, C#, ERP packages.

Resumes to Attn.: H.R, Confiminds LLC, 13800 Coppermine Road, Suite 118, Herndon, VA 20171

Classified

Contact Marcia Patch for all your Classified section needs • Phone: 703-904-1004 • Email: marcia@wspnet.com

Legal Notice

TOWN OF Herndon VIRGINIA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the **Town Council** of the Town of Herndon, Virginia, will hold a work session on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. and a public hearing on Tuesday, May 25, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.2, as amended; the Governor's Executive Orders, as amended; and in accordance with Ordinance 20-O-23, Continuity of Governmental Operations during Pandemic Disaster (COVID-19), as amended and readopted by the Herndon Town Council on September 8, 2020, which superseded previously adopted amendments, the work session and public hearing may be by electronic means.

The public is encouraged to participate in the town's public hearing process. If the meetings are by electronic means, people having an interest in the item are invited to register to join the WebEx to state their opinions or to submit comments for the record to town.clerk@herndon-va.gov.

Electronic meetings will be broadcast through Cisco WebEx and details for the meetings will be made available to the public on **Thursday**, prior to the meeting dates.

Resolution, to consider the TOWN OF HERNDON FY 2023 – FY 2027 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM. The Town Council will consider adoption of the Town Manager's recommended Capital Improvement Program (CIP). The CIP is a financial planning document that establishes a six-year schedule for public improvements and serves as a companion to the Town of Herndon 2030 Comprehensive Plan. [The FY 2022 portion was adopted in conjunction with the FY 22 budget.]

The proposed item is available for review by the public on the town's website www.herndon-va.gov beginning May 14, 2021, after 3:00 p.m.

The Town of Herndon supports the Americans with Disabilities Act by making reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities, so that they may participate in services, programs, or activities, offered by the Town. Please call (703) 435-6804 to arrange for any accommodation that may be necessary to allow for participation.

Viki L. Wellershaus, Town Clerk

Note to Publisher:
Publish May 7 and May 14, 2021

Legal Notice

[(Full name(s) of owner(s)]:
SAAO 2020 LLC

Trading as:
SAAO Thai & Sushi
11730 Plaza America Dr Ste 105
Reston, Fairfax, VA 20190

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

Naruedon Senatham, Partner

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

3008334 (04-30-21, 05-07-21)

Legal Notice

[(Full name(s) of owner(s)]:
BOK VA LLC

Trading as:
HONEST GRILL
14215-H Centreville Square
Centreville, Fairfax, VA 20121-2301

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

Eun Young Shon, Managing Member

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3008320 (04-30-21, 05-07-21)

CLASSIFIEDS

To place a classified ad or a Business & Services ad, please contact:
Marcia Patch • 703-904-1004
marcia@wspnet.com

Legal Notice

TOWN OF Herndon VIRGINIA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the **Historic District Review Board** of the Town of Herndon, Virginia, will hold a work session on Wednesday, May 5, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. and a public hearing on Wednesday, May 19, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3708.2, as amended; the Governor's Executive Orders, as amended; and in accordance with Ordinance 20-O-23, Continuity of Governmental Operations during Pandemic Disaster (COVID-19), as amended and readopted by the Herndon Town Council on September 8, 2020, which superseded previously adopted amendments, the work session and public hearing may be by electronic means.

The public is encouraged to participate in the town's public hearing process. If the meetings are by electronic means, people having an interest in the items are invited to register to join the WebEx to state their opinions or to submit comments for the record to hdrb.arb@herndon-va.gov.

Electronic meetings will be broadcast through Cisco WebEx and details for the meetings will be made available to the public on **Friday**, prior to the meeting dates.

APPLICATION FOR AMENDING A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED APPLICATION, HDRB #21-007, to consider an application to modify conditions of approval of a previously approved HDRB Certificate of Appropriateness related to the reduction of the required front yard building setback from 35' to 20', permissible within the Heritage District Overlay, on the single-family residential property at 764 Grace Street, Herndon, Virginia, located at the southeast corner of the intersection of Grace Street and the Washington and Old Dominion Trail right-of-way, and further identified as Fairfax County Tax Map 0104-02-0017. The property is zoned R-10, Residential, Single Family; and consists of 16,074 total square feet of land. Owners/Applicants: Bryce A. Perry and Phuong T. Pham.

APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR AN ADDITION TO AN EXISTING STRUCTURE, HDRB #21-008, to consider an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the construction of a one-story addition to the single-family residential dwelling at 764 Grace Street, Herndon, Virginia, located at the southeast corner of the intersection of Grace Street and the Washington and Old Dominion Trail right-of-way, and further identified as Fairfax County Tax Map 0104-02-0017. The property is zoned R-10, Residential, Single Family; and consists of 16,074 total square feet of land. Owners/Applicants: Bryce A. Perry and Phuong T. Pham.

The proposed items are available for review by the public on the town's website www.herndon-va.gov beginning April 30, 2021 after 3:00 p.m.

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Viki L. Wellershaus, Town Clerk

Note to Publisher:
Publish April 30 and May 7, 2021

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF DELINQUENT TAXES AND SALE OF REAL PROPERTY FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA

On June 15, 2021, or as soon thereafter as may be effected, actions will be commenced under the authority of Virginia Code §58.1-3965, et seq., to begin proceedings to sell the following parcel of real estate for the payment of Fairfax County delinquent real estate taxes:

No.	Property Owner(s)	Account Nos.	Description
N1.	Thomas Edsel Bailey Susan R. Bailey	Tax Map No. 0293-10-0014 Account No. 409592099 TACS No. 494193	Hunter Mill District; Town of Vienna; 434 Old Court House Road NE, Vienna; Westbriar Country Club Estates; Lot 14; Section 2; 12,991 Square Feet, More or Less
N2.	Richard G. Collins	Tax Map No. 0102-03-0193 Account No. 409531867 TACS No. 452948	Dranesville District; 12821 Longleaf Lane, Herndon; Hiddenbrook; Lot 193; Section 3; 10,547 Square Feet, More or Less
N3.	James M. Doyle Heirs	Tax Map No. 0662-01-0031A Account No. 409737960 TACS No. 364450	Springfield District; Colchester Road, Near Rochester Drive, Fairfax; Part Hope Park; 50 Foot Outlet Road; Vacant Land; 1.547 Acres, More or Less
N4.	Mark E. Garrison	Tax Map No. 0504-06-0249 Account No. 409678682 TACS No. 136280	Providence District; 6706 James Lee Street #249, Falls Church; James Lee Condos; Apartment 249; Phase 2
N5.	Mary Ann Ghadban, Trustee	Tax Map No. 0671-01-0069 Account No. 409738897 TACS No. 495084	Springfield District; Near Rochester Drive and Minoso Drive, Fairfax; Part Hope Park; Vacant Land; 3.75 Acres, More or Less
N6.	Luther S. Harris, Trustee	Tax Map No. 1021-03010012 Account No. 409869937 TACS No. 92497	Mt. Vernon District; 2909 Dunbar Street, Alexandria; Thornrose; Lot 12; Part Lot 11; Block 1; Section 1; 9,499 Square Feet, More or Less
N7.	Pauline L. Harvey	Tax Map No. 0671-01-0068 Account No. 409738896 TACS No. 495085	Springfield District; Near Rochester Drive and Minoso Drive, Fairfax; Part Hope Park; Vacant Land; 2.33 Acres, More or Less
N8.	Pauline Harvey	Tax Map No. 0671-01-0070 Account No. 409738898 TACS No. 495085	Springfield District; Minoso Drive, Fairfax; Part Hope Park; Vacant Land; 2 Acres, More or Less
N9.	Frances F. Kelly	Tax Map No. 0712-16-0092 Account No. 409758249 TACS No. 135426	Mason District; 4201 Sleepy Hollow Road, Annandale; Sleepy Hollow Run; Lot 92; Section 2; 13,773 Square Feet, More or Less
N10.	Faisal T. Khan	Tax Map No. 0131-01-0036B Account No. 409544124 TACS No. 526054	Dranesville District; 9709 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls; Donald E. Gibbons Property; Parcel A1; 0.9235 Acre, More or Less
N11.	Daniel A. Pratchenko	Tax Map No. 0702-14014317G Account No. 409751772 TACS No. 36962	Braddock District; 4317 Americana Drive #201, Annandale; Fairfax Heritage Condo; Phase 1; Unit 4317G
N12.	Robert Allyn Simmons Raymonde L. Simmons	Tax Map No. 0304-17-0052 Account No. 409601599 TACS No. 573506	Dranesville District; 6815 Dillon Avenue, McLean; McLean Manor; Lot 52; Section 1; 10,543 Square Feet, More or Less

Property subject to delinquent real estate taxes may be redeemed by paying all accumulated taxes, penalties, interest, costs and fees. Payments should be made payable to Fairfax County and mailed to Taxing Authority Consulting Services, PC at the address shown below. Interested bidders and inquiries regarding the above-listed property should be directed to TACS by telephone to (703) 880-1078 or (804) 545-2500, by email to questions@taxva.com, or by mail to:

John A. Rife, Esq.
Taxing Authority Consulting Services, PC
Re: Fairfax County Taxes
P.O. Box 31800
Henrico, Virginia 23294-1800

Legal Notice

FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA
Department of Transportation

Cinder Bed Road Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Improvements

Find out about the Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT) plans to improve pedestrian and bicycle access along the west side of Cinder Bed Road from Newington Road, connects to an existing trail on Fairfax County Park Authority property, and then extending it to the existing Franconia/Springfield Metro Station trail at Barry Road. Proposed improvements include an 8-10' trail along Cinder Bed Road, lighting for the trail, and two pedestrian bridges.

Project information is available for review at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/transportation/projects/cinder-bed-road-bikeway, or by contacting Jeffrey Fasceski, Project Manager, Fairfax County Department of Transportation, 1050 Legato Road, Suite 400, Fairfax, VA 22033; 703-877-5600, TTY 711; Jeffrey.Fasceski@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Please use the feedback form on the project webpage or contact the project manager with any comments or questions. If your concerns are not addressed to your satisfaction, Fairfax County is willing to hold a public hearing. You may request a public hearing by sending a written request to the project manager by 5/13/2021. Requests must be made in writing via the website feedback form, email, or by mail to Jeffrey Fasceski at the FCDOT address listed above. If a request for a public hearing is received, notice of the date, time, and place of the hearing will be posted.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), 23 CFR Part 771, the Virginia Department of Transportation is completing the environmental document for the proposed Cinder Bed Road Bikeway project. In accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 and 36 CFR Part 800, information concerning the potential effects of the proposed improvements on properties listed or eligible for listing the National Register of Historic Places are included in the NEPA documentation.

VDOT Project Numbers:
UPC PE 106143, UPC RW & CN 118128

FCDOT Project Number:
AA1400137-15

Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT) ensures nondiscrimination in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). If you need more information or reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact FCDOT at 703-877-5600, TTY 711. Please notify FCDOT for any language translation or if an interpreter is required. Requests for assistance must be received at least 7 business days in advance of the event.

Help Wanted

Shenandoah University seeks f/t Assistant Professor of Pharmacogenomics in Fairfax, VA to participate in development of professional cert & graduate degree programs in Pharmacogenomics. Req's PharmD, MD, or Ph.D. in Pharmacology or closely rel fld w/at least 1 yr exp in field of clinical pharmacogenomics. Email resume or CV to employment@su.edu & ref 20-163.

Help Wanted

Software Developer: Degree in comp. sc/engr. MS w/ 2 yr OR BS w/ 5 yr expr. Expertise in Comp. architecture, Software Engr, Adv. DB, OOAD, SLDC, JAVA Tech, Struts MVC framework, Oracle Web Logic Server, Tools (SQL client, Eclipse, TOAD), JSP, Servlets, JAVAScript, & Oracle 11G. Travel/Reloc. Resumes to: Softwave Consultants, 13800 Coppermine Road, Suite 146, Herndon, VA 20170.

Help Wanted

Dulles Engineering, Inc. seeks Sr Managers for Chantilly, VA to manage construction projects. Master's in Construction Mngmt/related field +3yrs exp OR Bachelor's in Constructions Mngmt/related field +5yrs exp req'd. Specific Skills Req'd: Exp must incl: contract mngmt; structural design; design coordination; site supervision; bill of quantities; project specification; preparation & supervision of construction inspection & testing staff. Local travel to Washington D.C. Metropolitan Area. 20% travel req'd. Send resume to: Ned Mahdi, Ref: JL, Ned.Mahdi@dullesengineers.com

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA IREDELL COUNTY In the District Court

21 JT 11 - IN THE MATTER OF: M.K.B., A MINOR CHILD.

To WILLIE KIPYEGO BUTIA, father of a male juvenile born April 24, 2015, in Fairfax County, Fairfax City, Virginia. Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows:

TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS

You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than _____, 2021, and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought and Respondent's parental rights to the juvenile will be terminated upon failure to answer the petition within the time prescribed. This the 23rd day of April, 2021.

DALY MILLS FAMILY LAW • Kelsey L. Pack, Attorney for Petitioner, Omega Ann Butia, 111 West Broad Street, Statesville, NC 28677 • (704) 878-2365

Dates published: 4/23/2021