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The Ensemble in a Play Award went to The Beast Folk,
"The Island of Dr. Moreau," Lake Braddock Secondary School.
From left are Emily Bove, Asjah Heiligh, Jessica Novis, and Micaela Harmon.

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Saving ABLE Savings Accounts

Governor McAuliffe signs Del. Eileen Filler-Corn's Bill exempting ABLE Savings Accounts from means testing.

On Friday, June 10, Governor Terry McAuliffe and Del. Eileen Filler-Corn (D-41) joined Special Olympics Virginia's Opening Ceremonies to ceremonially sign Delegate Filler-Corn's bill, HB 1103, into law. HB 1103 builds upon Filler-Corn's 2015 legislation, the Virginia Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act, which created 529 savings accounts for people with disabilities (called ABLE accounts) similar to those used to save for college. HB 1103 ensures that these ABLE Accounts will be free of means testing at the state level.

"After meeting with Virginia 529 last fall, I found out that while Virginia ABLE accounts would be exempt from federal means testing, they could be subject to state means testing. If we didn't act, some families might decide to avoid ABLE accounts and their advantages for fear of an adverse impact on eligibility for critical state benefits pro-



Governor Terry McAuliffe signs Del. Eileen Filler-Corn's bill, HB 1103.

grams," said Filler-Corn. "This outcome would circumvent the intent of both the federal and state ABLE legislation and fail to assist the very individuals intended to benefit from ABLE accounts. That's why I introduced HB 1103."

Governor McAuliffe and Delegate Filler-Corn have also announced that the 2016-2018 budget includes an income tax deduction for contributions to the ABLE savings accounts starting in Taxable Year 2016 – up to \$2,000 per



Governor Terry McAuliffe, Del. Eileen Filler-Corn, and Burke residents Catherine Beck and Natalie Beck.

contributor. "While the 2015 ABLE Act was a significant and bi-partisan victory, I knew that we could do better. We could make this program one of the shining examples for the rest of the country," added Filler-Corn.

Filler-Corn was joined by many stakeholders who advocated for the passage of both the 2015 and 2016 legislation including Catherine Beck and her daughter Natalie. The Becks are residents of the 41st House District—repre-

sented by Filler-Corn. The federal ABLE law is also named for Catherine's late husband, Stephen who was a driving force for the federal law.

ABLE Accounts will be available for Virginians with disabilities later this year; however, the website where people can eventually open these savings accounts is already live. Those who are interested in finding out more about ABLE accounts can visit <https://www.able-now.com>.

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The Fairfax County Retired Educators administered seven scholarships to students aspiring to become teachers at a June 9 luncheon.



Fairfax County Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Karen Garza (left) visits with 2016 Lake Braddock Secondary School graduate and Fairfax Station resident Wesley Kittelberger (right) at the Fairfax County Retired Educators luncheon June 9.

Graduating to the Front of the Classroom

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THE CONNECTION

Fairfax County Retired Educators award scholarships to aspiring teachers.

BY TIM PETERSON
THE CONNECTION

Springfield resident Paul Naanou is determined to be in front of a classroom. The rising senior at the College of William and Mary and 2013 graduate of Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology has been a math and science instructor for Fairfax Collegiate over the last two summers.

On June 9, Naanou was one of seven scholarship recipients at the Fairfax County Retired Educators June luncheon. He was also the only male winner.

"Society is perpetuating the stereotype only women can be nurturing," he said. "I think men are just as capable and can motivate people — psychologically and emotionally — on their educational journey just as well. The conversation around that is starting to change."

Naanou, who received the Apple Federal Credit Union award given in honor of Herbert G. Carpenter for the second time, said he's dreamed of becoming a teacher since he was eight years old. He hopes to return to Fairfax County and teach after he graduates.

FCRE Scholarship Director Phyllis Rittman said the scholarship committee has asked school counselors to encourage male, female, and a diverse range of ethnicities to apply.

"If you have them in the class you need them in front of the class too," she said.

Rittman said this year's 20 applicants were judged based on a rubric of grade point average, rigor of coursework and a personal essay describing their aspirations to become a teacher. They represented around the all-time highest GPA since the



Paul Naanou (right) of Springfield receives the Apple Federal Credit Union award given in honor of Herbert G. Carpenter for the second time from Steve Sengstack (left).



2016 Lake Braddock Secondary School graduate Leah Choe (right) receives one of two Bobbi Vest scholarships from Vest's husband Bill Vest of Reston. Choe plans to attend the College of William & Mary in the fall.

FCRE has been administering scholarships. "The scholarship committee really had to scrutinize," Rittman said.

Fairfax County Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Karen Garza visited with each scholarship winner and their parents before the proceedings commenced at the Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge.

However in her remarks, Garza spoke more globally, referencing the battle earlier this year for the Board of Supervisors to fully fund her budget that advertised no further cuts to school programs or services.

"It was an interesting and exciting year," Garza said. "The community got behind us,



Lake Braddock Secondary School graduating senior Robyn Miner (right) receives the Fairfax County Retired Educators scholarship from outgoing FCRE President John Dent (left).



2016 Robinson Secondary School graduate Raquel Friedman receives the second Bobbie Vest scholarship from Bill Vest. Friedman was a leader in the Robinson Partners Club and plans to study special education at the University of Virginia.

that was a real difference-maker."

Garza also brought up the "meals tax" that Supervisors recently agreed to add for voter referendum this fall. The tax could generate almost \$100 million more revenue annually for the County, she said.

"Our needs don't go away with this major investment," she said. "Please pay attention to the conversation, this really important conversation."

Each scholarship given out Thursday is for \$2,000.

"For paying for college, any amount can help," said Lake Braddock Secondary School senior Robyn Miner. "This will help me pur-



2016 Lake Braddock Secondary School graduate and Fairfax Station resident Wesley Kittelberger receives the John Schreck scholarship. Kittelberger plans to attend the University of Virginia and study special education.



Fairfax County Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Karen Garza (left) visits with 2016 Hayfield graduate Cathleen Lear (right) at the Fairfax County Retired Educators luncheon June 9. Lear received the Mary O. Ambler award and plans to attend James Madison University.

sue my dream of becoming a teacher."

Chantilly High School senior Hannah Warnick also expressed her thanks, that she's dreamed of becoming a teacher since she was a little girl.

Leah Choe, another Lake Braddock senior, thanked the retired teachers directly.

"We students may not say it, but we all really admire you," Choe said. "You inspire us to do great things."

For more information about the Fairfax County Retired Educators visit www.fcrc.org.

2016 Lord and Lady Fairfax Honorees Selected

BY STEVE HIBBARD
THE CONNECTION

Celebrate Fairfax, Inc. named the 2016 Lords and Ladies Fairfax at the Board of Supervisors meeting on Tuesday, June 7 at the Fairfax County Government Center.

“We’re proud to honor the 2016 Lords and Ladies Fairfax. Since 1984, each supervisor has selected a Lord and Lady to represent their district. Each honoree dedicates time to the betterment of their community,” said Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova.

Each year the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors selects two people from each district who have demonstrated superior volunteer service, heroism, or other special accomplishments to receive the award.

Later that evening, the Lords and Ladies were honored at a cocktail reception and special dinner and hosted by Great American Restaurants, Celebrate Fairfax, Inc., and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors.

The Chairman’s Choice: Michael J. Hershman and Shirley Ginwright

Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova read the following description of Shirley Ginwright and Michael J. Hershman at the board meeting:

“Ms. Shirley Ginwright is one of the most devoted citizens of Fairfax County. She exemplifies community service in her countless efforts to bring people together and facilitate communal growth. Ms. Ginwright is the president of the Fairfax County NAACP, and served on the Fairfax County Chief of Police’s Diversity Council in 2013. Ms. Ginwright inspired and facilitated the establishment of the Communities of Trust Committee, and serves as the committee’s chairman. In addition, Ms. Ginwright served on the Ad Hoc Police Practices Review Commission, serving as the chair of the Subcommittee to Review Police Practices for Recruitment, Diversity, and Vetting. Ms. Ginwright has done invaluable work to make Fairfax County a leader in community and law enforcement engagement and is very deserving of the title Lady Fairfax.

“Mr. Michael J. Hershman is president and CEO of Fairfax Group, and is an internationally recognized leader on ethics and transparency in business and government. Mr. Hershman’s extensive resume begins with his career with U.S. military intelligence. He is a cofounder of Transparency International, a nonprofit coalition promoting transparency and accountability in business and government. For 20 years, he gave

generously of his time and talents as one of two citizen members of the Board’s Audit Committee. Mr. Hershman’s dedication was on display through his impressive handling of his role as chairman of the Board of Supervisors’ 70-person Ad Hoc Police Practices Review Commission. Mr. Hershman ably steered the commission and subcommittees through six months of discussions that culminated in 142 policy recommendations for the Fairfax County Police Department, many of which have already been implemented. Mr. Hershman is a proud and dedicated leader in our local and global community.”

Braddock: George C. Klein and Ellen Jean “Nell” Hurley

Braddock District Supervisor John C. Cook read the following description of Ellen Jean “Nell” Hurley and George C. Klein at the board meeting:

“Retired Navy Captain Ms. Ellen Jean ‘Nell’ Hurley and her family have lived in the Braddock District for 20 years. She has been very involved in school matters, ranging from elementary school volunteer coordinator, to appointee to the Gifted Talented Advisory Committee, to vice president of the Fairfax County Council of PTAs. Ms. Hurley was a founder of RENEW, the coalition to renovate Woodson High

School, from which her four daughters graduated and where she served as president of the PTSA/PTSO. Her many other community activities have included managing Girl Scout Cookie efforts for 36 troops, uniform and fields director for Braddock Road Youth Soccer, and secretary of the Fairfax Genealogical Society. Ms. Hurley earned a Master’s Degree in Urban and Environmental Planning at the West Falls Church campus of the University of Virginia, a degree she has put into good use as the Braddock District Planning Commissioner, a position she has held since 2012.

“Born and raised in Brooklyn, Mr. George C. Klein earned a Bachelor of Science with Regular Army commissioning in 1964. In 1965 he married Linda Chase of Olean, N.Y.

and served in Europe, Korea, several U.S. locations and ultimately the Pentagon. Mr. Klein earned an MA/HRM before leaving active duty in 1977 when he and Linda made their permanent home in the Braddock District. Completion of his military career as a reservist was paralleled by a business career working with firms managing IT contracts for numerous Government Agencies. Mr. Klein retired in 2007 as a senior VP aiming to do more community service. Since then, he has been involved in numerous civic initiatives such as Civic Association vice president, president, and currently as the vice chair of the Braddock District Council (BDC). He takes special pride in highlighting the accomplishments of others and is very involved in the annual Best of Braddock Awards.”



PHOTOS BY STEVE HIBBARD/THE CONNECTION
Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova with her choice for the Lady Fairfax honoree, Shirley Ginwright and the Lord Fairfax honoree, Michael J. Hershman.



Braddock District Supervisor John C. Cook with his choice for the Lord Fairfax honoree, George C. Klein. His Lady Fairfax honoree, Ellen Jean “Nell” Hurley was not present.

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Support for Police in Reforms

Police commission recommendations go to Board of Supervisors for approval, implementation.

In some ways, the Fairfax County Ad Hoc Police Practices Review Commission, brainchild of Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova, was a bit of a miracle.

The 32 voting commission members included at least nine representatives from Fairfax County Police; former Commonwealth's Attorney Robert Horan; current and former law enforcement officers with experience from the FBI, DEA, state police and others; other former county officials; mental health advocates; attorneys; high powered consultants. Ranks of those participating swelled to 80 when others were appointed the five subcommittees.

How could such a large, intense group with so many viewpoints get anything done? It seemed crazy to expect much. But Bulova, apparently, was crazy like a fox. Bulova and commission chair Michael Hershman, expressed unwavering commitment to the process.

The 142 recommendations, the result of democracy in action, provide support and more resources to the FCPD, while providing for transparency and public confidence.

Police, Commonwealth's Attorney Ray Morrogh, county attorneys and others provided answers to questions and consulted on recommendations every step of the way. The commission and subcommittees met for literally hundreds of hours over nine months. Individual members took on in-depth research projects and reported back to subcommittees.

Members of the Mental Health subcommittee, chaired by Del. Marcus Simon, traveled to Texas for a first-hand look at an effective Crisis Intervention program. In January, the Community Services Board, Police and Sheriff's

Office launched Diversion First, to get people having a mental health crisis who come into contact with law enforcement into treatment instead of jail. If this were the only accomplishment of the police review commission, it would be an achievement.

The Independent Oversight and Investigations subcommittee unanimously recommended formation of an Independent Auditor and a Civilian Review Panel. Independent oversight is a national best practice, and these issues come before the Board of Supervisors next month.

The commission recommends the implementation of body worn cameras, a recommendation that appears to be set for delay. This might be necessary, but if so, the delay should come with a timetable for next steps.

Changing the culture from withholding information to sharing as much as possible, as soon as possible, and responding to Freedom of Information requests with as much information as possible are part of the recommendations of the Communications subcommittee. Police departments in Northern Virginia have invoked a blanket exemption to FOIA requests, which has been part of the erosion of public trust.

The robust collection and reporting of demographics covering all stops, frisks, citations, arrests, and use-of-force incidents by district station and magisterial district is also key to public trust and departmental excellence.

Key recommendations include Independent Auditor, Civilian Review Panel, commitment to transparency, body cameras, data collection.

Bulova and the Board of Supervisors formed the commission in the wake of the death of John Geer in August of 2013. Geer, a Springfield resident, was standing unarmed with his hands up in the doorway of his own home when he was shot by Officer Adam Torres. Torres, charged with murder, was the first Fairfax County Police officer in the history of the department to be charged in such a death. Torres entered a guilty plea to involuntary manslaughter, with a likely sentence of 12 months; his sentencing is scheduled for next week.

Public outrage over Geer's death was compounded by obfuscation and silence, the failure to communicate, and a lack of public accountability. The police and county refused to release any information on the case for more than a year, and only then after repeated court orders. This tragedy and its aftermath no doubt had a negative impact on morale in the FCPD. The commission's recommendations ac-

knowledge the excellence of the Fairfax police. It's a credit to the department that Chief Edwin Roessler aspires to make FCPD the best in the nation. It's a high bar, county residents expect no less, and steps in that direction are a positive reflection on every member of the department.

It now falls to Supervisor John Cook, chairman of the Public Safety Committee, to guide these recommendations through for approval by the Board of Supervisors overall. The process is underway, and deserves public attention to the details.

— MARY KIMM

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Mary Kimm served as a member of the Fairfax County Ad Hoc Police Practices Review Commission. Read more at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/policecommission

ADAMS Condemns Orlando Mass Shooting

The All Dulles Area Muslim Society (ADAMS) condemns the tragic and horrific Orlando mass shooting, and rejects any possible motive for this terrible act, whose perpetrator is still being investigated as a possible hate crime, mentally unbalanced individual, and/or lone wolf terrorist sympathizer.

We send our thoughts, prayers, and condolences to the families and loved ones of all those killed or injured.

We appreciate the Orlando Muslim community's response in condemning this attack, and we join in urging the entire Muslim community to take part in a blood donation drive for those injured in the attack.

For us in Virginia, this tragedy brings back horrible memories of April 2007, when Virginia Tech student Seung-Hui Cho killed 32

people on the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University campus in Blacksburg, Va.

This is also too reminiscent of the equally horrific hate crimes like the attack in South Carolina on an African American Church, attacks in movie theaters and schools and too many more. Such incidents are a too frequent reminder of the number of individuals driven by hate to commit unspeakable acts.

This horrific Orlando attack however should not be used to vilify and stereotype the peaceful and law abiding Muslim community in America. Islam absolutely condemns and forbids terrorism and extremism. The Quran, Islam's revered text, states: "Whoever kills a person, it is as though he has killed all mankind. And whoever saves a life, it is as though he had saved all mankind."

Islam promotes the sanctity of human life,

the dignity of all humans, and a respect for human, civil rights. Islam teaches religious freedom and emphasizes the same universal moral values accepted by the majority of people of all backgrounds. These are the same principles on which the U.S. Constitution was established and the Bill of Rights was approved.

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FATHER'S DAY PHOTO GALLERY

Rosalyn Korff sent us two photos of her husband, Jay, with their children. "Jay is an awesome, fun, and caring father," she writes. In this picture, Samantha and Jay, Girl Scouts Service Unit 52-11 VIP Dance, Burke in Burke in April 2016.



Zach and Jay, getting ready for Z's first debate (West Springfield High School debate team), December 2015.



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A.J. Galindo of Alexandria, Benjamin Waters of Fairfax and Kirby Nassetta of Arlington participated in Outward Bound Costa Rica's Gap Year program.



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The Gap Year Trend

The pros and cons of taking a break in academic studies before college.

By MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE CONNECTION

Rappelling down an 80-foot waterfall, the ground appearing miles away, zip lining through thickets of dense, steamy rainforest, treating wounded travelers in the wilderness and engaging in other limit-pushing adventures — that's how three local young adults spent their time after graduating from high school.

"Scuba was definitely my favorite part of the course because of a strong reinforcement that I would enjoy working as a scuba instructor one day," said A.J. Galindo of Alexandria. His adventure was part of Outward Bound's Costa Rica program.

Galindo took what is known as a "gap year," which means taking an academic break for a year or a semester before beginning college. Gap year programs offer students an opportunity for "personal growth in ... leadership, self-awareness [and] ... character development," said Soizic Hagege, spokeswoman for Outward Bound Costa Rica.

After completing his Outward Bound program, Galindo enrolled in Thompson Rivers University in British Columbia, Canada.

The American Gap Association (AGA), an organization that accredits and sets standards for gap year programs, reports that taking a gap year has become an increasingly popular choice for American students. The association has seen renewed interest since Malia Obama's recent decision to take a year off before beginning her studies at Harvard University.

A RECENT AGA STUDY showed that students who took a gap year over performed academically in college. The organization released the results from a survey of its 2015

alumni. More than 90 percent of the alumni surveyed credited their gap year with increasing their self-confidence and maturity as well as offering time for personal reflection.

Uncertainty about future plans is one of the reasons students decide to take time off between high school and college. "Some don't know yet what they want to study, or want to take the opportunity to travel or work to get experience in the real world," said Francesca Reed, associate vice president for Enrollment Management and director of Graduate Enrollment Services at Marymount University. "A gap year ... can be a great opportunity for a person to mature and discover their interests before pursuing a college degree."

Experiences gained during a year away from school can offer clarity, says Jim McClellan, PhD, dean of Liberal Arts at Northern Virginia Community College in Alexandria. "Few students know what they want from life or what will be their life's work when they first enroll in college," he said. "Few finish college in the same major where they began. Sometimes a year of reflection can help a student focus. A year abroad or in some environment beyond their previous experience can offer new perspectives. Working at a 7/11 convinced me I needed to continue college."

"Sometimes a year of reflection can help a student focus."

— Jim McClellan, Ph.D., Northern Virginia Community College

While the AGA reports that 90 percent of students are actively enrolled in a four-year institution of higher learning within one year of completing a gap year, the organization acknowledges that this option is not for everyone. The decision to delay college comes with a caveat that students may lose the academic momentum they gained through high school.

"There is a set of skills that a student learns moving through each grade level. Like playing tennis or any other sport, the more practice, the better the performance," said McClellan. "Laying out for a year leads to

skills atrophy. [For some students] it is better to continue on while in top form than to try to rebuild lost skills and regain good study habits."

Even for students who feel certain that they want to take a gap year, Reed advises completing the college application process if obtaining a college degree is future goal.

"It is easier while they are still in school to gather letters of recommendation and use the resources of guidance departments when applying for college," she said. "It will also keep them focused with a future plan. If the student decides to go abroad or work full-time, it may be difficult to request a letter of recommendation while they are busy overseas or with work. Once accepted into college, they can defer their admission a semester or a year."

Boosted by a belief in the benefits of a gap year experience, a growing number of colleges and universities are supporting students who want to take time off between high school and college. "Most colleges are accommodating and will move their start date to the following year," said Reed. "Colleges and universities like to see students with a plan and a degree of motivation before entering college, and the gap year may be the perfect opportunity to do just that."

RESEARCHING OPPORTUNITIES, thinking about goals and having a plan in place about how the time will be spent are critical components of a successful gap year. "They shouldn't wait until they graduate to start planning," said Reed. "Do you want to travel abroad? Learn a new language or improve your foreign language skills? Volunteer either at home or abroad? Explore career interests? It's important to have something meaningful in mind. There are many programs available for students that are considering a gap year."

McClellan suggests an alternate option for students and parents who are concerned that a gap year could slow a student's academic progress. "Spending the junior year abroad is a better idea since no academic momentum is lost and the experience of living and studying abroad is of incalculable value," he said. "Plus, with two years of college completed and added maturity, the junior year abroad is more meaningful than a gap year."

Considering Private School?

Small steps this summer can minimize stress of application process.

By MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE CONNECTION

The school year has just come to an end ... which means it's the ideal time to prepare to apply to leading independent schools.

A supply versus demand imbalance for a coveted spot at one of the local, top-tier private schools makes advanced planning a critical part of the process. Local admissions directors offer suggestions on what can be done during the laid-back days of summer before the demanding fall application process begins.

"Do your research over the summer," said Mimi Mulligan, assistant head of school and director of admission and enrollment management at Norwood School in Bethesda, Maryland. "Spend time educating yourself on the wide variety of independent school options in the area."

Perusing school websites and becoming familiar with a school's mission and philosophy toward education can help narrow down choices. Reading social media postings can give parents a sense of a school's culture and community.

Have a family conversation about the type of school that would best serve your child, advises Mulligan, who warns that a school's perceived prestige or reputation as a "top school" doesn't necessarily translate into a good match.

"Be realistic about your child's strengths, weaknesses, and learning style, then create a list of schools that you feel would be a good fit for your child and your family," she said. "This list should be based on your child's needs, not the name recognition of the school. By the time September is here, you will be ready to contact schools for their admission materials and to schedule a visit."

Talking to parents and students at prospective schools is one way families can get a sense of a school's environment. "Create a chart to compare [factors such as]: How the students treat each other. What is the teacher-student relationship like? How does the school care about each individual student and other things that are important to you?" said Terri Collins of Oak Crest School in McLean. "Ask to speak with two current parents to

get their perspective of what they see as the strengths and weaknesses of the school."

"I think one of the things would be to identify the type of school: a boarding school or a day school," said Scott Conklin, director of admissions at Episcopal High School in Alexandria. "Once you've come up with a list of schools, visit some of them. Most are probably open during the summer. Walk around campus and meet the admissions directors."

"Once families have narrowed down the list, they can send for information and begin to map out their fall visits," said Clare Dame, director of enrollment management at Randolph-Macon Academy. "Plan to visit no more than two schools in one day so that they have time to fully investigate each one and will have the time to assimilate the information."

Garnering logistical information is important in planning an appli-



Middle School Science teacher Debbie Pakaluk works with eighth-grade students in the chemistry lab at Norwood School.

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"By the time September is here, you will be ready to contact schools for their admission materials and to schedule a visit."

— Mimi Mulligan, Norwood School

cation strategy for the fall. "What are the processes? What are the dates? When are the Open Houses?" asks Richard S. Moss, director of admission at the Heights School in Potomac, Md.

However, Moss underscores the importance of creating a balance between advance planning and enjoying a summer respite, and questions the wisdom of focusing too much energy on an academic year

that is more than 12 months away.

"Most importantly, families should ... have a good, restful, and productive summer," said Moss. "It is easy to think about the long-term goal of admission while sacrificing the immediately important goal of having a truly great break. ... Though it is good, as a parent, to be generally aware of the process so that in September you can hit the ground running."

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ONGOING

Color Me Happy. 7-8:30 p.m. Mondays. June 20, July 18, Aug. 15. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Discover your inner Picasso. coloring pages from books designed especially for adults. Coloring pages, pencils and markers provided. Free. 703-978-5600.

Lovers and Madmen. June 18-Aug. 19. Epicure Cafe, 11104 Lee Highway, Fairfax. Features local artists. epicurecafe.org.

Fairfax Rotary Club Meeting. 12:15-1:30 p.m. Mondays. American Legion, 3939 Oak St., Fairfax. Meetings with luncheon and program. fairfaxrotary.org.

Peace: Our True Nature: Watercolor Batik by Amy Rivard. June 8-July 9. Workhouse Arts Center, Building W-9 Gallery, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. Visitors will encounter watercolor batik paintings on Kinwashi rice paper, created by Rivard in the spirit of the present moment. amyrivardpaintings.com.

"Manifesto." May 21-June 18. Open Tuesday from 6-9 p.m. or by appointment. Olly Olly Art Space, 2nd Floor, 10417 Main St., Fairfax. Exhibition of five collections of art by the artists of Northern Virginia's Bunnyman Bridge Collective. "Manifesto" will feature creative experimental art of the hidden away; including sculpture, installation, painting, collage, photography, video and performance. ollyollyart.com. 703-789-6144.

Plant Clinic. 9 a.m.-noon. Sundays till end of September. Lorton Farmers Market, 8990 Lorton Station Blvd., Lorton. Conducted by Master Gardeners. Answer gardening question, identify plants and insects, soil tests, etc. fairfaxgardening.org.

First Tee Life Skills. 5-6:30 p.m. May 10-June 21. Laurel Hill Golf Club, 8701 Laurel Crest Drive, Lorton. The Fairfax County Park Authority is partnering with The First Tee of Greater Washington, DC, to offer The First Tee Life Skills Experience Certifying Program, designed for young people ages 7-18. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/press/html/ir040-16.htm>.

THURSDAY/JUNE 16

Book Signing. 6-9 p.m. Franconia Museum, 6121 Franconia Road, Alexandria. For the Book "A Tour Guide and History of Col. John S. Mosby's Combat Operations in Loudoun, County, Virginia." dhakenson@verizon.net.

SATURDAY/JUNE 18

Civil War Mosby Bus Tour. 8:30 a.m. Truro Rectory, 10520 Main St., Fairfax. Visiting Miskell's Farm, Waterford, Loudoun Heights, Charlestown, West Virginia, the Jefferson County Museum, the Blazer's Fight site (Kabletown) and more. Arrive at 8 a.m. to sign in. \$75/\$65. Sign up at 703-971-4984 or dhakenson@verizon.net.

Lovers and Madmen Opening Reception. 8 a.m.-midnight. Epicure Cafe, 11104 Lee Highway, Fairfax. Exhibit of local artists. epicurecafe.org.

Glimpse Behind the Badge. 1:30-4:30 p.m. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Attendees will be presented with an overview of the Fairfax County Police Department and will have the opportunity to gain insight into police policies and

procedures. Other topics that will be covered are use of force, what to expect during traffic stops, and the everyday challenges that officers face. Free. No RSVP required. For questions, contact 703-280-0713.

Father and Daughter Dance. 6-9 p.m. Stacy C. Sherwood Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. Girls dress in their beautiful gowns and dads dress to impress. There will be special fairy-tale guests joining. Girls celebrate Father's Day with your dads, granddad, big brothers, godfathers, and family members. There will be lots of dancing, games, prizes, and good food. \$30. fairfaxva.gov/parksrec. 703-385-7858.

SUNDAY/JUNE 19

Father's Day 5K and 10K Run/Walk. 8 a.m. Lake Accotink Park, Springfield. Charity proceeds will benefit the Northern Virginia Therapeutic Riding Program, specifically their Recovering Military Personnel riding program. Register at <https://www.signmeup.com/site/online-event-registration/112899>.

Sunday Afternoon in the Park. 4-6 p.m. Old Town Square, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. 7th Position Trombone Quartet. Free. fairfaxva.gov/parksrec. 703-385-7858.

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MONDAY/JUNE 20

Mommy Meet Up. 3:30-4:30 p.m. Burke Gymboree Play and Music, 6045 Burke Centre Parkway #204, Burke. Meet other moms with babies 0-15 months, relax and participate in low key fun activities. Refreshments. Socks required for play room. Please reserve space. Free. 703-249-1327.

Memoir Writing Group. 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia, 8900 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax. This group will help you write, organize, and self-publish your life story. \$3. 703-537-3060. Carla.Rosenfeld@jccnv.org.

Children's Performance Series. 10:30-11:30. Old Town Square, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. Free. fairfaxarts.org. 703-385-7858.

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TUESDAY/JUNE 21

Grandparent Meet Up. 3-5 p.m. Burke Gymboree Play and Music, 6045 Burke Centre Parkway #204, Burke. Grandparents caring for a child 0-5 years old are welcome to come meet other grandparents, play and have refreshments. Socks required for play room. Free. 703-249-1327.

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 22

Lunchtime Live. Noon-2 p.m. Old Town Square, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. Pack a lunch and eat in the pergola. Music, art and more. fairfax.gov/parksrec. 703-385-7858.

THURSDAY, MONDAY, TUESDAY/ JUNE 23, 27, 28

Open Auditions: "Amadeus." 6:45-9:45 p.m. the James Lee Community Center Theater, 2855 Annandale Road, Falls Church. Fourteen roles are open for production of "Amadeus," running Sept. 30-Oct. 15.

Ten U.S. Air Force Band Conductors Assemble For 75th Anniversary

The U.S. Air Force Band celebrated its 75th anniversary with a reunion concert on June 11 at the George Mason Center for the Arts.

Secretary of the Air Force Deborah James welcomed the audience to the event.

Nine former commanders returned to the stage to conduct, including Fairfax Station resident Lt. Col. (Ret.) Mark Peterson, who directed the sweeping emotional work "Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral from 'Lohengrin'" by Richard Wagner.

Current and former members of the Concert Band, Air Force Strings, Ceremonial Brass and Singing Sergeants played a wide variety of classic and new music. The program included world premieres of civilian composer John Mackey's rhythmic labyrinth "Liminal" and band member Master Sergeant Kent Baker's (French horn) Ceremonial Brass feature "75/29/30," written specially for the anniversary performance.

The final two pieces, "The Battle Hymn of the



Secretary of the Air Force Deborah James (bottom left) welcomes the audience to the U.S. Air Force Band 75th Anniversary Reunion Concert, held at the George Mason Center for the Arts on June 11.

Republic" and "Air Force Song," saw the largest assembly of U.S. Air Force musicians on stage at the same time.

—TIM PETERSON



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The U.S. Air Force Band 75th Anniversary Reunion Concert brought back former conductors including (from left) Col. (Ret.) Dennis Layendecker, Lt. Col. (Ret.) Mark Peterson of Fairfax Station, Lt. Col. (Ret.) Craig Jessop, Lt. Col. (Ret.) Phillip Carl Chevallard, Lt. Col. (Ret.) Amy Mills, Col. (Ret.) Arnald Gabriel, Secretary of the Air Force Deborah James, current Air Force Band conductor Col. Larry Lang, Col. (Ret.) Lowell Graham, Lt. Col. (Ret.) Alan Sierichs and Col. (Ret.) H. Bruce Gilkes.

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SATURDAY/JUNE 25

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Antique Car Show. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Fairfax City Hall, 10455 Armstrong St., Fairfax. With bluegrass music and food. Free. visitfairfax.com. info@nvr.org.

Hope and Health Festival. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Lorton Park, 9518 Richmond Highway, Lorton. Sponsored by Lorton Community Action Center, South County Cares, and INOVA. Free health screenings, food, inflatables, kids' games and activities will be available to all in attendance. LortonAction.org. 703-339-5161, ext. 140.

Kidz Korner. 10:30-11:30 a.m. Old Town Square, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. Variety of Children's activities and entertainment. fairfax.gov/parksrec. 703-385-7858.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/JUNE 25-26

Vienna Wireless Society National Field Day. 2 p.m. Burke Lake Park, 7315 Ox Road, Fairfax Station. Local

amateur radio operators ("hams") will join thousands nationwide to show off their amateur-radio and emergency-communications capabilities. To learn more about amateur radio, visit <http://viennawireless.net/> or go to <http://www.arrl.org/newham>.

SUNDAY/JUNE 26

National Christian Choir. 6 p.m. Jubilee Christian Center, 4650 Shirley Gate Road, Fairfax. Concert will feature selections from NCC's newest album, "Glory - A Celebration of God and Country." The concert is free; an offering will be received. 703-383-1170. jccag.org.

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 29

Weekday Outing: United States Botanic Garden. 9:45 a.m.-2 p.m. Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia, 8900 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax. In celebration of the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service, enjoy a day at the U.S. Botanic Gardens. Bring lunch. \$10/\$14. Must preregister. 703-537-3060. Michele.Endick@jccnv.org.

ENTERTAINMENT



The Ensemble in a Play Award went to The Beast Folk, "The Island of Dr. Moreau," Lake Braddock Secondary School. From left are Emily Bove, Asjah Heiligh, Jessica Novis, and Micaela Harmon.



The Props Award went to Lauren Gillies and Jack Hanton, "Noises Off," Robinson Secondary School.

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Gala Honors High School Theater

The 17th Annual Cappies Gala honoring high school theater was held Sunday, June 12 at The Kennedy Center. Winning the top prizes for the Best Musical was Woodrow Wilson High School in the District for "Hair;" and winning Best Play was Duke Ellington School of the Arts in the District for "The Story." This year's Masters of Ceremony were Judy Bowns, Janie Strauss and Ed Monk, who is retiring from Chantilly High School this year.

This year's show included 57 public and private high schools in Fairfax County, Arlington, Fauquier,

Loudoun, Montgomery, and Prince William counties, and the cities of Falls Church, Alexandria, and Washington, D.C. The Cappies season extended from late October to early May.

The Cappies program was launched in the summer of 1999 by Judy Bowns, the Theatre Arts resource teacher with FCPS, and the late Bill Strauss (director, Capitol Steps), in cooperation with area theater teachers, for the purpose of celebrating and bringing public acclaim to high school theater.

— STEVE HIBBARD



The Supporting Actor in a Play Award went to Max Grove, "The Island of Dr. Moreau," Lake Braddock Secondary School.



The Hair and Make-Up Award went to Kendra Weingast, "The Island of Dr. Moreau," Lake Braddock Secondary School.

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The Robinson boys' lacrosse team won its third consecutive state championship with a 14-2 victory over James River on Saturday at Lake Braddock Secondary School.



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The Robinson girls' lacrosse team repeated as state champion with a 13-9 victory over Woodson on Saturday at Lake Braddock Secondary School.

Robinson Boys, Girls Win State Titles

Rams boys' lax clinches third, girls' second consecutive championship.

BY AARON LUNDMARK
THE CONNECTION

When asked about the feeling of winning a third consecutive state championship, Robinson senior attacker Johnny Daniel had one word to describe it. "Satisfying," replied Daniel. "That's the one word I'd give it."

Indeed it was satisfying as the Rams' were able to dominate this year's state championship, as opposed to last year's double overtime victory, with a 14-2 win over James River at Lake Braddock Secondary School Saturday evening.

"It feels great," said Robinson head coach Matt Curran. "The last two years we won it, but it was different, with last year being in double overtime. But it's the state championship, so it still feels great."

THE RAMS were able to jump out early as sophomore Reid Scarborough scored through a mob of three defenders to give them the 1-0 lead.

After that, Robinson added goals by Scarborough, Austin Henry, Nick Dillon and Nick Rowlett, giving the Rams a commanding 5-0 lead.

"We knew going in with their short sticks that myself and Holden [Patterson] were going to have good matchups," said Scarborough. "We knew if we took our guys and beat them off the first dot we were going to have great opportunities to score."

"When we got up early like that it's definitely relieving," said Robinson goalkeeper Matthew Bethard. "But we saw last week

in our Woodson game us come back from being down seven, so you never know and that's why you always have to stay sharp like we did."

Bethard and the rest of the defense were huge in this one. After the goal that cut the Robinson lead to 6-2, the Rams did not allow the Rapids to score again the rest of the contest.

"They were huge," said coach Curran. "Our defense played extremely well, and our offense was very patient which also kept the ball out of their offense's hands. But we knew exactly what we wanted to do to these guys and thankfully that worked for us."

Scarborough scored again, giving him the first half hat trick, then another goal by Henry and a goal by Declan Connolly with just nine seconds left in the half gave the Rams' an 8-2 at halftime.

To start the second half, another goal by Scarborough, his fourth, gave the Rams a 9-2 lead. Then, Scarborough would assist on a Patterson goal and Daniel found one of his shots in the back of the net and Robinson had control.

WINNING a single state championship is an accomplishment, but winning three in a row and creating a dynasty is pretty interesting, according to coach Curran.

"It's an amazing year seeing as how we graduated 19 seniors last year — one of which was an Under Armour All-American — a bunch of guys on defense, and two of our leading scorers," said Curran. "So these guys not only worked really hard, but they stepped up—a lot of young guys, freshmen, sophomores—and they really stepped up and kind of made it their team."

As for the Rams' shot at a fourth state title, chances look good as they only graduate 10 seniors compared to last year's 19.

"My freshman year, we lost in the regional playoffs and I saw my senior teammates crying," said Daniel. "So me and Austin [Henry], as the only two freshmen on varsity, made a pact that we'd never let that

happen again. So being here right now, it feels really good to have been able to follow through with that promise."

Girls Win Back-to-Back Titles

Elli Kluegel came off a screen set by teammate Katie Checkosky, and before Kluegel even took the pass from Grace Tompkins, head coach Liz Case was fist pumping on the sideline screaming, "Yes!"

Coach Case knew her team had run the perfect play, which went into the Rams finishing off the perfect season.

Robinson defeated Woodson 13-9 and brought home its second consecutive state championship Saturday afternoon at Lake Braddock Secondary school.

"They play with such heart and they're so close to one another," said Case after the game. "This feels good. The girls have worked really hard this year, and they continued to work hard throughout this game."

Early on, the story was Robinson senior goalkeeper Danielle Valenti, who stopped numerous Cavalier shots, which led to the Rams' first goal by Haley Prosser just four minutes in.

Normally, Case switches her goalkeepers at halftime, inserting Maddie Malone, but that wasn't the case Saturday as Valenti played so well the first half, she got the nod for the second half, as well.

"Danny had a really great first half," said Case. "It was a decision that was made up on the spot, we hadn't thought about it at all prior to this game."

The next goal in the contest came eight minutes later, when Rams captain Taylor Caskey scored back-to-back goals to give Robinson a 3-0 lead.

"I think we were even more pumped this year, this game, than last year," said Caskey. "We knew people were gunning for us, but I couldn't imagine winning states with anyone else."

Woodson would respond, however, as goals by Grace Stephan, Emma Vinall, and Meredith Mackay would tie the game 3-3. From there, the Rams would take over, by scoring five unanswered goals to close the half.

THE KEY TO THE RUN was a switch in the faceoff circle, as Case moved senior Emily Skrzypczak to start taking the draws, and that started gaining momentum for the Rams.

"[Woodson] was really good at taking the draws," said Case. "Once we moved Emily up, she started winning it, so she did a really good job for us."

Robinson got two goals from Checkosky during that stretch before halftime and she finished the game with five.

"I think the halftime lead was the most important part of the game," said Checkosky. "It gave us a lot of momentum. Getting that five-goal cushion was really important for us, mentally."

"I wouldn't have wanted this season to end any other way," said Checkosky. "I think the bond we all have with each other is amazing. We're a family and we love each other so much so this feels incredible."

Valenti would finish the game with nine saves, capping off a great effort from her.

ROBINSON could have a shot at another title next year, as only five seniors are graduating from the team.

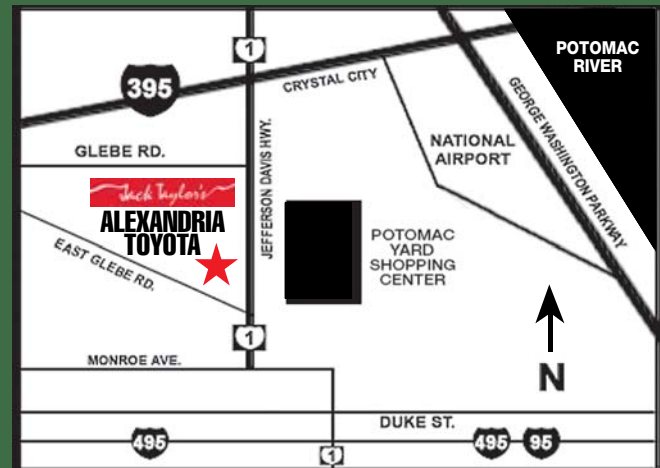
"We have a nice young team, along with a lot of strong juniors," said Case, "and I think they'll be able to carry the team next year, as well."

Robinson finished their perfect season with a 21-0 record, winning their conference, region, and state tournament titles.

"It really is an incredible feeling," said Checkosky. "I've been playing with some of these girls since fifth grade, so winning these two state championships with all our hard work—it's the best feeling in the world."

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MONDAY-TUESDAY/JUNE 20-21

AARP Smart Driving Course. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia, 8900 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax. Learn to adjust your skills to compensate for changes in hearing, vision, flexibility, and reaction time. Participants who attend both days will receive a certificate for a discount on insurance for three years. \$15/\$20. Bring meatless lunch. 703-537-3060. Carla.Rosenfeld@jccnv.org.

TUESDAY/JUNE 21

NVTA Workshop. 7-9 p.m. Providence District Office, 3001 Vaden Drive, Fairfax. In-person meetings are designed to capture feedback from a broad range of participants. Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/>. Type Northern Virginia Transportation Authority to search for the public workshops.

Public Hearing on Monopoles and Towers Zoning Ordinance. 3:30 p.m. Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Board of Supervisors Hearing. fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz.

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 29

Community Forums on Community Accessibility. 6:30-8:30 p.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Hosted by Fairfax Area Disability Board. The board will review the forum information to develop an action plan that addresses community recommendations, barriers, and service gaps. disabilityservices@fairfaxcounty.gov. 703-324-5874.

ONGOING

Burke Rotary Club Meeting. Tuesdays from 7:15-8:30 a.m. Anita's Restaurant, 9278 Old Keene Mill Road, Burke. Meetings with breakfast and program. www.burkerotary.org.

Burke Lake Seniors Golf League seeks members. Interested golfers are invited to join the Burke Lake Seniors Golf League. Must be 55 and older, meeting new people and having an all-around good time. Reserved tee times on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at the Par 3 Burke Lake Golf Course on Ox Road. Annual dues for the season are \$20 plus green fees. Call Charlie Ryan 703-690-4227.

Respite Care volunteers give family caregivers of a frail older adult a well-deserved break so they can go shopping, attend a doctor's appointment or just have coffee with a friend. Volunteers visit and oversee the safety of the older adult for a few hours each month. Support and training are provided. Contact 703-324-7577, TTY 711, or Kristin.Martin@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Shepherd's Center of Western Fairfax needs volunteer drivers for for medical/foodbank appointments. Shepherd's Center serves 50+ residents in Clifton and western Fairfax/Fairfax Station, helping them remain independent and age in place at home. Office help also is needed for coordinating drive requests. More info is at www.scwfc.org or 703-266-3548 or scwfc.office@gmail.com.

Fairfax County needs a volunteer **Senior Center Marketing Coordinator** to assist the Friends of Fairfax County Senior Centers with marketing. For these and other volunteer opportunities, call 703-324-5406, TTY 711 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults and click on Volunteer Solutions.

The **Little River Glen Senior Center** in Fairfax needs a Computer Lab Assistant. Call 703-324-5406 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults and click on Volunteer Solutions.

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Fairfax Circle Church will hold Christian Sports Camp Monday-Friday, June 27-July from 5-8:15 p.m. The church is located at 3110 Chichester Lane, Fairfax. Offers basketball, cheerleading and soccer, as well as a special program for the 4-5 year olds. Children four years to sixth-grade. \$40. fairfaxcirclechurch.org. sportscamp@fairfaxcirclechurch.org.

Fairfax Baptist Temple, at the corner of Fairfax County Parkway and Burke Lake Roads, holds a bible study fellowship at 9 a.m. Sundays followed by a 10 a.m. worship service. Nursery care and children's church also provided. 6401 Missionary Lane, Fairfax Station, 703-323-8100 or www.fbtministries.org.

The Guhyasamaja Buddhist Center, 10875 Main St., Fairfax City provides free classes to both newcomers and advanced practitioners of Tibetan Buddhism. The center emphasizes working with the mind and learning how to understand the workings of the mind, overcoming inner causes of suffering, while cultivating causes of happiness. Under the direction of Lama Zopa Rinpoche, the center is a place of study, contemplation and meditation. Visit <http://www.guhyasamaja.org> for more information.

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TO: Mr Mike Nguyen
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Gerry Staudte 703-309-8948



Fairfax **\$530,000**
4 split level, 1 car garage home with 4 BRs & 3 full BAs in sought after Kings Park West (Robinson School District). Close to Royal Lake Park, metro buses, VRE, Fairfax County Parkway, GMU, I-66 & I-495.
Ngoc Do 703-798-2399



Fairfax Station/Swift Run Trails **\$890,000**
First time listed custom home on 5 mostly wooded acres backing to equestrian trail in private community. Minutes to Clifton, VRE & Fairfax County Parkway. 4 BR, 3.5 BA, over 4,000 sq ft on 3 finished levels. Extensive landscaping, fountain, patio and screened porch. Hwdw floors, Updated baths, SS & granite kitchen.
Pat Shaner 703-503-1457



Lorton **\$739,900**
Gorgeous & bright from top to bottom in sought after Laurel Hill neighborhood. Expansive open gourmet kitchen w/generous eat-in space. Breath taking 2-story family rm. Main lvl office & large sunroom. Luxury master bath. UL Laundry, LL rec rm, den/5th bedrm, movie rm & full bath. Huge custom deck. Walk to schools. Great community amenities. Easy commuter location.
John & Jennifer Boyce 703-425-5646



Woodbridge **\$319,000**
This beautiful, 1-car garage, 3 level townhouse, built in 2004 features 2,123 sqft, 3BR, 2.5BA & finished walkout basement. Offering an expansive deck w/stair to lower level patio & fence backyard. Minutes from I-95, Rt. 1 & Rippon VRE Station.
Ngoc Do 703-798-2899



Clifton **\$799,000**
This is a true gem! Custom home with open floor plan, beautifully updated kitchen, sited on beautifully landscaped 3.5 acres in the Historic Town of Clifton.
Carol Hermendorfer 703-216-4949



Lorton **\$729,900**
Sited on a 1-acre private lot, offering over 3,800 sqft of living space, 3-car garage, 4BR, 3.5BA, MBR w/dressing area & finished walk-up basement w/BR/Den, Full BA & wet bar. Spacious front yard, expansive tiered deck w/gazebo & fenced backyard.
Ngoc Do 703-798-2899



Fairfax **\$799,900**
Beautiful 4 BR, 4.5 BA SFH in Penderbrook community. Large, sunny floor plan with private, wooded backyard. Updated kitchen, gleaming hardwoods. Resort-style living with community pool & golf course.
John Astorino 703-898-5148



Fairfax **\$659,900**
All Hands on Deck... & in your Gazebo, your Workshop, your Studio & your Theater Room too! Exquisite from top to bottom, this 5 bdrm, 3.5 bath colonial has so many special extras, no other home compares. From its gleaming hwdw floors, to its expansive deck, to its custom workshop and studio, to its enormous back yard. You'll never tire of all it has to offer. Exercise room & 2-car garage come too!
Catie, Steve & Associates 703-278-9313



Springfield **\$399,000**
Great 3 bedroom spacious townhouse with upgraded flooring, kitchen and bathrooms. Wonderful entertaining rear deck and yard, all minutes to shopping, restaurants, and commuting. Open Sunday 1-4 PM.
Karen Schiro 703-509-3888



Fairfax **\$669,000**
Stunning doesn't begin to describe this incredible colonial in Middlebridge. From its gorgeous stone walkway, to the finest design touches, these original owners have spared nothing. Updated kitchen with granite counter tops & maple cabinets, stunning baths, gleaming hardwood floors, spacious rooms, 3-season sun room, and superb curb appeal. The best of everything!
Catie, Steve & Associates 703-278-9313



Fairfax City **\$659,900**
Charming 4 bedroom renovated home in the heart of the city with superb yard, wrap around deck, and front porch. Huge gourmet kitchen, expanded sun room and beautiful 10 ft ceilings. A rare find! Open Sunday 1-4 PM.
Karen Schiro 703-509-3888



Burke Centre **\$679,000**
Lovely colonial with many upgrades to include newer hardwood floors, gourmet kitchen w/ quartz countertops, stainless steel appliances, professional Viking six burner stove, ceramic tiling, bay windows, French doors, large master suite, natural gas outdoor grill, newer roof, heated pool, oversized 2-car garage, newer fence 2015, VRE, Robinson schools, all Burke Centre amenities. \$5,000 closing cost credit.
Mary FitzHenry 703-503-1825

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