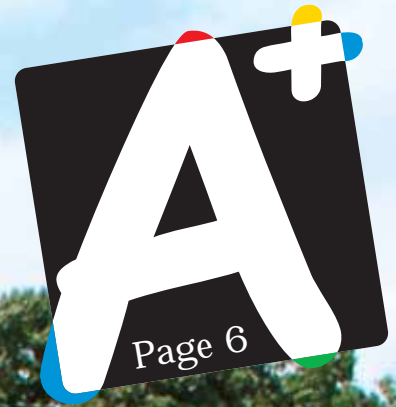




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The actors of some of the Hayfield's "Mary Poppins" main characters in costume. Casey Charbonneau graduated from Hayfield this summer. Shannon Flack s a rising junior at Hayfield. Kyle Dalsimer is a rising sophomore and Jack Dalrymple is rising freshman at Annandale High. Sommer Bauman is a rising junior, Rachel Porter is a rising sophomore and Creed Bauman is rising eighth-grader - all at Hayfield.



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## News



From left — Judy Davis, Board Member, Don Gregory, board member, Judi Raaum, co-chair board member, Del. Mark Sickles, Phil Fick, board member, Robert Petitti, MPA, executive director, Jan Vaca-Leboeuf, board member.

## Koinonia Recognized for Emergency Relief

Del. Mark Sickles (D-43) recognized the more than five decades of Koinonia consistently providing emergency relief services in the Franconia and Kingstowne Communities. The 43rd House District that Delegate Sickles represents includes most of the area served by Koinonia. Delegate Sickles presented a framed Commendation congratulating Koinonia. "The emergency relief that Koinonia provides our neighbors is more than just food and clothing. It's a caring and compassionate contact with people showing them that they matter."

Prior to being elected to the Virginia General Assembly, Del. Sickles served on the board of directors of UCM, a nonprofit organization that provides similar services in the Richmond Highway area. Robert Petitti, executive director of the Koinonia Non-profit Foundation, introduced Del. Sickles to a group of people attending Sunday ceremony. On behalf of the Koinonia Board of Directors, he received Delegate Sickles' Commendation. He introduced the current and former members of the Board of Directors as well as volunteers in attendance.

"Volunteers are the 'life-blood' of this organization. Without them we couldn't do this work. They provide many hours of work to make sure emergency



Del. Mark Sickles (D-43) and Robert Petitti, executive director of the Koinonia.

services are available."

Koinonia Foundation, Inc. is the sole nonprofit organization recognized by Fairfax County to provide both short-term emergency assistance and self-sufficiency services to the citizens of the Greater Franconia and Kingstowne areas.

## Bulletin Board

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### THURSDAY/JULY 28

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### ONGOING

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### THURSDAY/JULY 21

**Coffee and Conversation.** 8:45-10 a.m. The Bistro at Courtyard Springfield, 6710 Commerce St., Springfield. Lake Accotink Master Plan. Landscape architect Gayle A. Hooper with the Park Authority will lead the discussion. For registration information, 703-866-3500.

### SATURDAY/JULY 23

**Zika Town Hall.** 10 a.m. Franconia Governmental Center, 6121 Franconia Road, Alexandria. Learn more about Zika virus and how to prevent infection and transmission.

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## Support for Police Auditor, Civilian Panel

**Supervisors discuss independent oversight recommendations from Ad Hoc Commission.**

By Tim Peterson  
The Connection

**D**etails of an independent auditor for Fairfax County police and a civilian panel to review cases of alleged FCPD abuse of authority or misconduct are still being hammered out. However there was general agreement among County Supervisors at the July 19 Public Safety Committee meeting that they are in favor of moving forward with the recommendations from the Ad Hoc Police Practices Review Commission to create both entities for accountability.

The meeting was held to discuss the recommendations from the commission's Independent Oversight and Investigations subcommittee so that a formal board matter accepting them can be drawn up in time for a vote this fall.

Public Safety Committee chair Supervisor John Cook (R-Braddock) opened the meeting with a moment of silence, and then a perspective on the need for reforms to aspects of the County's policing.

"We need to be bringing people together," Cook said. "How do we further connect the community and our law enforcement, have that dialogue."

In reference to creating a civilian review panel, Cook added Fairfax County would "do what other jurisdictions are doing, and hopefully do it better."

**TO GIVE AN OVERVIEW** of independent and civilian review of law enforcement, Independent Monitor Nicholas Mitchell with the City and County of Denver Office of the Independent Monitor spoke to the crowded Fairfax County Government Center conference room. Mitchell also spoke as a board member of the National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement.

"There's the proposition as citizens we're obligated to ensure powers are being consistent with the Constitution and our sys-

tem of laws," Mitchell said. "And the proposition with granting of power, comes respect and accountability to the community."

Mitchell said there is no one model for civilian review boards, and that most large cities and an increasing number of medium and smaller-size cities are forming them. Some are formed preemptively, others in the wake of critical incidents involving police.

Jack Johnson, chair of the Independent Oversight subcommittee, reviewed the recommendations word for word. He explained they were voted through unanimously, including the representatives from law enforcement and FCPD.

Under the recommendations, independent oversight of Fairfax County Police would be undertaken by an independent auditor and civilian panel. The auditor would handle use of force cases that resulted in death or serious injury. The civilian panel would look at other alleged FCPD abuse of authority or misconduct. Residents could bring a complaint directly to the Civilian Review Panel, which would refer the case to the FCPD for investigation.

In each case, the reviewing party would not conduct an independent investigation of the complaint, but would refer the case to the Chief of Police and he to the Internal Affairs Bureau for investigation.

Or as Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova put it: "It's another portal complaints can come from."

Fairfax County Chief of Police Edwin Roessler said the recommendations are fully supported by his department. Roessler embraced independent oversight as an important part of trust with the community. "We're on the same page. There is no conflict," he said.

Det. Sean Corcoran, president of the Fairfax Coalition of Police Local 5000 and



Photo by Tim Peterson/The Connection

**There was general agreement among County Supervisors at the July 19 Public Safety Committee meeting they're in favor of moving forward with recommendations from the Ad Hoc Police Practices Review Commission to create both an independent police auditor and civilian review panel.**

a member of the Ad Hoc Commission, said despite the unanimous commission vote for an auditor and civilian review board, there are more details that need to be taken into account before moving forward with the recommendation.

"There's concern about fiscal costs," Corcoran said. "Our internal affairs is strapped as it is right now."

The Supervisors reviewed a draft job description for the auditor, who would be a full-time County employee, and language that would formally set the scope, organization and process of the Police Civilian Review Panel.

Supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield) echoed Corcoran in calling for the group to take more time dealing with the "devil in the details" rather than rushing forward with the recommendations.

"Can we get there in a fiscally responsible way?" Herrity asked. "What's this going to cost us? In distraction? Time taken? Someone needs to make some estimates."

Herrity questioned whether both an auditor and civilian review panel were neces-

sary, and if there might be a better way to "get transparency without creating bureaucracy."

Randy Sayles of Oak Hill was a member of Ad Hoc Commission Use of Force subcommittee and attended the majority of the full meetings. He sat in the front row of Tuesday's meeting.

Sayles said he thought the day's discussion did a "good job" capturing the work of the commission on independent oversight.

With regard to the composition of the civilian review panel, Sayles said he would like to see language requiring a law enforcement representative have a seat at the table. They could be retired, just not from Fairfax County.

"To speak up and give that perspective," he said would be an important addition. "That's a recommendation I'm standing by to this day."

The next Public Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for Sep. 13 at 3 p.m. at the Fairfax County Government Center, located at 12000 Government Center Parkway in Fairfax.

## Fairfax County Transgender Regulations in Limbo

**F**airfax County Public Schools are holding off on implementing new regulations regarding transgender and gender nonconforming students.

The delay, a July 19 release said, is in order for the School Board to further evaluate legal issues surrounding the regulations, including a pending case involving another Virginia school district and the Supreme Court. It was announced after the conclusion of a lengthy closed work session Monday July 18.

Board members received the regulations

from school system staff at the beginning of July, more than a year after the previous Board voted to add "gender identity" to the FCPS non-discrimination policy (Policy 1450).

The regulations are meant to "establish procedures and guidelines for schools to support gender nonconforming and transgender students that are in-line with the policy and legal requirements."

"While the regulation is temporarily on hold, Policy 1450 remains in effect and the Board remains committed to this policy of

nondiscrimination," recently elected School Board Chair Sandy Evans said in a statement. "Consistent with the policy and current practice, FCPS continues to accommodate the needs of transgender and gender nonconforming students in a way that protects the dignity and privacy of all students."

As an add-on motion to the policy change in 2015, that Board decided once regulations were drafted, the current board would review them. The topic was scheduled for a work session on July 21 — a discussion by the board that would've been open to

the public but not to live public comment.

With the regulations implementation on hold, they will no longer be discussed in the work session.

The regulations as they stand are available to view online at [www.boarddocs.com/vsba/fairfax/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=ABTMFL5AD482](http://www.boarddocs.com/vsba/fairfax/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=ABTMFL5AD482).

More information is available through the FCPS Office of Communication and Community Relations: 571-423-1200.

—Tim Peterson

# Opinion

## Voting, for Former Felons and Others

In a Democracy, we're best served by more voter participation.

Today, the Virginia Supreme Court will hear an expedited challenge to Gov. Terry McAuliffe's (D) restoration of the voting and civil rights of more than 200,000 Virginians who were convicted of felonies, served their time and completed any supervised release, parole or probation requirements.

The restoration of voting rights moves Virginia into the mainstream. Virginia had been one of four most restrictive states with lifetime bans on voting for those convicted of felonies. Fourteen states automatically restore voting rights once the individual's term of incarceration is over, and two states allow absentee voting from prison. Only 10 states have more restrictive policies than McAuliffe's order about voting for people who have been convicted of

felonies.

While the perception is that such a move will favor Democrats, in a Democracy, it's better for all when more people vote.

According to statistics released by the governor's office, 51.5 percent of those whose voting rights have been restored by McAuliffe's order are white; 45.9 percent are African American. Eighty percent were convicted of nonviolent offenses. Almost half had been completed both their sentences and supervision more than 10 years ago.

McAuliffe said: "If we are going to build a stronger and more equal Virginia, we must break down barriers to participation in civic life for people who return to society seeking a second chance. We must welcome them back and offer the opportunity to build a better life by taking an active role in our democracy."

This action brings Virginia into line with 39 other states, with more than 20 states having less restrictive policies. For example, on Feb. 9, 2016, the Maryland General Assembly restored the vote to all convicted felons immedi-

ately upon their release from prison. Previously, people convicted of felonies in Maryland had to complete all parole and probation before they were able to vote.

In Virginia, such individuals still are required to complete their term of incarceration and their term of probation or parole before voting rights are restored.

**MEANWHILE**, for all Virginia voters, the deadline to register to vote for the Nov. 8, 2016 general election is Oct. 17. You can verify your voter status at <https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation>. This is especially important to do if you have moved or have not voted recently.

In person absentee voting begins Sept. 23. It's an important election, with Virginia playing a critical role in the outcome of the race for U.S. President. There will also be many important local issues on the ballot, along with the races for U.S. Congress.

— Mary Kimm  
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### Editorial

### Letters to the Editor

## Keeping Young Minds Engaged in Summer

To the Editor:

Summer means warmer weather and time for vacations. But it's also a time when the average student loses nearly two months of academic knowledge.

It's called summer slide. While two months may not seem like a big deal now, research has shown the effects of summer learning loss are cumulative. Meaning, children who aren't engaged at a young age while

they're out of school for the summer continually fall behind their peers, ultimately impacting their chances to earn a high school diploma and their chances – or desire – to continue on to college.

Knowing that less than 30 percent of the jobs today in the United States are designed for people with less than a high school diploma is alarming to me. Moreover, as a woman working in the technology sector I understand the importance of getting children excited about science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) fields early.

After all, STEM influences our daily lives. From the weather to smartphones to buildings, STEM is everywhere!

Just imagine – you commit to memory all the valuable information in order to make a presentation at work. Then take a brief vacation and when you return can barely remember enough facts to answer simple questions about your presentation. And because

you can't recall the information, you're passed over for promotions in the future.

Seems frustrating, right? It's no different for students heading back to school in the fall. Because they haven't used the knowledge learned during the school year, they lose it and become discouraged.

If at least a high school diploma is needed for the majority of in-demand jobs, the future workforce may in fact depend on us engaging children today so they can be successful tomorrow. Here are just a few ways to keep children engaged during the summer and maybe even spark a little STEM curiosity at the same time.

❖ Discovery Education – Connect the Dots - Discovery Education offers a wide variety of free family resources that provide high quality, relevant material for you and your children.

❖ National Summer Learning Association - The National Summer Learning Association is committed to ensuring that students receive quality science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) education in their out-of-school time.

❖ Global Digital Citizen Foundation – Global Digital Citizen Foundation curates a list of customizable project-based learning activities organized by STEM subjects.

❖ Project Lead the Way – Project Lead the Way empowers students

to thrive in an evolving world and they've compiled a list of 20 simple summer STEM activities.

❖ Children's Science Center – Children's Science Center is a hands-on children's museum here in Northern Virginia, where children learn through play.

❖ NOVA Play Labs – NOVA Play Labs utilizes play as a way to teach STEM information to children ages 12 months to 14 years old.

So yes, while summer is a time for relaxing, it should also be a time to get ahead on the upcoming year and gain new experiences. If you have children, spend an afternoon at the park to make observations or visit a museum. If

## Taking Exception

To the Editor:

The Last week's Connection included a Letter to the Editor from Elizabeth Torpey Bradsher ("School Board Politics and Transgender Policy.") In this letter, Ms Bradsher noted that our current Springfield district representative to the school board, Ms. Elizabeth Schultz, "...has little hope in changing anything..."

I also believe that Ms. Schultz does not/will not have a significant impact on the school board. I differ with Ms. Bradsher on the reason why. I suggest all community members review the videos of work sessions and meetings of the

you don't have children, volunteer your time to read at your local library or make a book donation. I know at Cox, we recently partnered with Daniels Run Elementary School to donate books to the students who needed reading interventions. But it doesn't have to be a big commitment of time or money. Just know that time invested to keep young minds engaged this summer will pay off in the fall and the future. And that's a win-win.

**Kathryn Falk**  
Market Vice President of  
Northern Virginia Operations  
Cox Communications

school board to see how Ms. Schultz interacts and communicates with her fellow school board members and staff. Ms Schultz does not communicate well, does not show respect to the board members, is antagonistic, and non-collaborative.

I am not commenting on her positions or initiatives. I am noting that she is not an effective member of the board, not because of politics, but because she does not have the skills or temperament needed.

**Michael Spatola**  
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# 'Mary Poppins' Comes Alive at Hayfield

Hayfield Theatre premieres new summer program.

By Alexandra Tecco  
The Connection

Voices raised in song echoed down the halls of Hayfield Secondary School on Thursday, June 30. More than 65 students have chosen to start their summer by working rigorously to premiere Hayfield's first summer play, the Disney and Cameron Mackintosh's musical version of "Mary Poppins." The students must memorize lines, dance routines, musical scores as well as create the sets and special effects in a mere 24 days.

"Mary Poppins" features more than 50 actors and 15 technicians with ages ranging from rising eighth-graders to rising college freshmen. Many are students at Hayfield, but Annandale High School, South County High School in Lorton and Holmes Middle School in Lincolnia also have students participating in show. The mix of ages and schools presents a unique challenge for the students.

"It can be hard at first to make sure folks are included," explains Jackson Miller, playing George Banks. But with a common goal, they've grown close. "It's more like a family than splitting up into age groups and people they already know," Miller said. Rising eighth-grader, and among the youngest in the cast, Creed Bauman, playing Michael Banks, agrees, "It's so fun to bond with everyone in the cast and acting beside them is not like anything else," he said.

The Disney Broadway version of "Mary Poppins" isn't the same as the movie. It's still a heartwarming story of a magical nanny reuniting the Banks family, but the show provides more character depth and background. Casey Charbonneau, attending college in the fall, plays Winifred Banks, the mother. In the movie Winifred was a suffragette, not much else. In the show there's much more to Winifred and her personal growth, explains Charbonneau, she even has a solo in the second act.

In addition to the nuances of story dy-



Hayfield cast of "Mary Poppins" rehearsing, the characters hanging on Mary Poppins' words, played by Shannon Flack, a rising junior at Hayfield.



The students in Hayfield Ensemble and Senior Dance Ensemble practice a routine. Hayfield Ensemble members: Cooper Wright, rising freshman; Zach Collins, rising seventh-grader; Daniela Catacora, rising freshman; Allison New Ringeisen, rising seventh-grader; Samantha Haughton, rising sophomore, playing Mrs. Corry; Lena Porter, rising sophomore, senior dance ensemble; Kyle Dalsimer, rising sophomore from Annandale High School, playing Bert

namic, are the technical requirements of the show. "It's on a whole different level, a lot more complex and moving pieces," said Kyle Dalsimer, comparing the show to his previous experiences in "Peter Pan," "Aladdin,"

"The Hobbit," "Beauty and the Beast" and "The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940." Dalsimer will open the show as Burt, sitting on top of a chimney stack.

The students are responsible for devising

the special effects to give Mary Poppins her magic. "They have to figure out how to have a whole kitchen get destroyed and come back together," explains Pat Mitchell, Hayfield Theatre Director, "shelves that fall and come back into place, a table that gets knocked over and snaps back..."

Although the main point of the production was to create a program so the kids could "build confidence... and community" according to Mitchell, high school theater provides benefits to the community at large. Mitchell said that "Mary Poppins," like all of Hayfield's main stage shows, are a "high quality production that is family friendly, at a good price and shows that are well known and popular."

"Mary Poppins" is also the start of a fundraising campaign for the DramaHawks. Hayfield won a nomination in the American High School Theatre Festival, a DramaHawks first. Mitchell explains that the award gives the opportunity for the actors to visit London and then perform at the August 2017 Edinburgh Fringe Festival in Scotland. The festival is one of the largest art festivals in the world. "Mary Poppins" and Hayfield's three mainstage productions next year will help offset the cost of the trip.

The Hayfield DramaHawks presents "Mary Poppins" at 7 p.m. July 22, 23, 29 and 30 or at 2 p.m. on July 24 and 30. Tickets are \$10.

## Area Roundups

### Teen Advisory Board Launches New Website

Teen Advisory Board, a non-profit group from Fairfax, is launching a new website this month highlighting new opportunities for young adults to make a real difference in their communities.

The Teen Advisory Board provides a platform for young adults to address social issues facing them and their peers while creating academic opportunities through competitions and workshops.

If you are a student, or concerned young adult (13 to

18), who is interested in joining the Teen Advisory Board, it is currently recruiting chapter presidents, directors and members. For more information visit [teenadvisoryboard.org](http://teenadvisoryboard.org)

### Pianist/Keyboardist, Vocalists Sought

The Netcasters, a volunteer ecumenical music ministry group based in Springfield/Burke seeks a capable pianist/keyboardist to join ensemble. The group is also looking to add music-reading male and female voices. They perform at local retirement centers, as well as provide religious ser-

vice music for small congregations. For the keyboardist, ability to play from a lead sheet is essential. The presentations are generally once a month on a weekend in the Northern Virginia area.

The repertoire includes traditional gospel and contemporary Christian music, and "Songs of Yesteryear." Attendance at weekly practices (currently Tuesday evenings in Springfield) would be expected. As a volunteer group, there is no monetary compensation.

See the group's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/TheNetcasters/> for additional background. If interested, call K. Boudreau at 703-314-3654 or E. Smith at 703-323-6863.



# Creating a College Packing List Sorting out the essential from the unnecessary.

By Marilyn Campbell  
The Connection

When a Chantilly family prepared to send their daughter to college, their process was threefold: packing up her childhood bedroom, setting up her college dorm room and getting organized in the process. They enlisted the help of professional organizer Jodie Campbell Jacobs of SOUPrior Organizing in Springfield. Jacobs discarded, preserved and streamlined, helping the family create a list of items that their daughter would need for college.

"I helped them clean out what they already had so they could get a better idea of what they needed to bring to school," said Jacobs. "I told her not to bring too much personal stuff. Going off to college is a new chapter in your life and you want to decorate the new space for the new stage."

Though it is the middle of summer, many families are preparing



College students move into a residence hall at Marymount University.

their rising college freshmen for a new school environment and the requisite lifestyle adjustments: sharing a cramped living space, awkward walks down a hallway to a shared shower and doing one's own laundry.

**A COLLEGE PACKING LIST** can help organize the transition, but

students should find out before arriving on campus the items that are necessary, such as a microwave oven, mini-refrigerator, television, bed linens and laundry bags, as well as those that are questionable, such as extension cords, multi-plug adapters and toaster ovens.

"Students frequently arrive on campus bringing their pet, such as

a snake, turtle or dog," said Yolanda Gibson, D.A., associate dean of First Year Experience at Marymount University in Arlington, Virginia. "Unless you have an approved service animal, be mindful of your community and roommate. Also, most college campuses won't allow you to burn items, such as candles and incense."

Gibson, who is in the midst of coordinating new student orientations for Marymount, recommends that freshmen get a packing list from their university or college and reach out to the person with whom they'll be living.

"Students often come to campus with televisions without consulting their roommate," said Gibson. "You don't want to have two televisions in a dorm room. Be sure to communicate with your roommate before moving in."

When it comes to deciding what goes on a packing list, professional organizer Susan Unger of ClutterSOS suggests starting with a generic list, such as one created by one's college or a home merchandise store. "There's no need to reinvent the wheel, you can start with one of those and then personalize it to your own needs," she said.

One factor to consider when creating a packing list is the distance between one's hometown and their college campus, says Jacobs. "If you live within driving distance, for example, you can think seasonally

and only bring what you need until your next visit home then swap out items," she said. "Don't bring a ton of sweaters that are going to take up space if you don't need them right away."

Organization is critical to managing a significant downsizing, such as moving out of family home into a shared residence hall, said Jacobs.

"Maximize the space you have," she said. "When it comes to sharing a dorm room or bedroom in an apartment, look at all the unused space that you normally look past, like the space under the bed."

Risers, for example, can elevate a bed creating space for stackable storage bins that hold items such as extra towels, sheets and clothing. "These things allow you to maximize every use of space possible without causing a traffic jam," said Jacobs. "You can't build more space, but you can maximize the space you have."

Jacobs also advises resisting the urge to super-size. "You don't necessarily need the Costco size of shampoo, you can buy more when-

ever you need it," she said.

Think vertically advises Unger. "For example, use the backs of doors to hang a shoe organizer," she said.

"These can be used for items other than shoes such as toiletries, snacks and school supplies. Consider using hanging shelves in your closet for the folded clothing. Use a double hanging rod to double your hanging space."

Use a shower caddy to corral all your bathing needs. "One of those shower items might be a pair of waterproof thongs since many students will have to share a communal bathroom."

Since dorm living means sharing a space, make sure all personal items are identifiable. "Be sure to label everything, especially things like phone chargers since they can easily get mixed up," said Unger.

Both Unger and Jacobs recommend hooks that attach to a wall with an adhesive. "They can be removed later with no wall damage," said Unger.

**ONE ITEM** that Jacobs says many

people don't think about is a lockbox or safe that is fireproof and waterproof. "Keep documents like your social security card, certain medications and anything that you consider valuable," said Jacobs. "Since most freshman are going to live in a shared space, a lot of people will be going in an out of your dorm room or apartment, so it's great to have a space to put your lockbox where only you have access to it." Jacobs suggests storing that safe or lockbox in a place that is out of view and inconspicuous. "If someone goes looking, it's not the first thing they will find," she said. "You can put it on closet shelf under a stack of sweaters or under the bed in a storage bin."

Finally, not all shopping needs to be done in advance. "Our word of advice is to wait to purchase some of the items until you get here," said Joey Allen, communication and events manager, Housing and Residence Life at George Mason University in Fairfax. "There is usually time on move in day and the days after to go shopping for items."

## Five Charged for Trespassing While Playing Pokémon Go

Fairfax County Police Department offers safety tips.

Police responded to Keene Mill Elementary School, located at 6310 Bardu Avenue in Springfield, around 10:47 p.m. on Wednesday, July 13, for a report of an alarm. Officers found two men and three teenaged boys, ages 15, 16 and 17, inside the school. An investigation determined the suspects allegedly entered the building through an unsecured area. Further investigation determined they were playing the new Pokémon Go game and ended up at this location.

Two 18-years-old Springfield residents were issued summonses for trespassing on school property and released. Petitions for trespassing on school property are being sought for the juvenile suspects - according to FCPD Public Affairs Bureau.

Police ask the public to be mindful of locations when playing the game. The game leads players



Safety alert for Pokémon Go players.

to common meeting places like churches, memorials and parks. However, not all locations and areas in the game are open to the public and not all property owners welcome Pokémon Go players on the property. Remember, be respectful and adhere to all rules and regulations.

### Five Safety Tips on Playing Pokémon Go

The Pokémon Go app has become hugely popular since its re-

lease on July 6. However, there are safety concerns you should be aware of if you are a player, parent of a player or just someone who sees Pokémon Go players out and about. Here are some police safety tips:

1. Stay Alert — The Fairfax County Police Department encourages everyone to stay alert and be mindful of pedestrians, bicyclists and drivers who may be playing the game. If you are playing, you should not be on your phone while driving and you should use common sense when walking. Be aware of your surroundings; recently in the D.C. region, people

playing the game have been robbed.

2. Supervise Kids — You should become familiar with the game before allowing your children to download the app. Pokémon Go is a multiplayer game where users may run into other players in the real world as they search similar areas. Take steps to keep your kids safe.

You and your kids should discuss who they can interact with when they go out into public to use the app.

Kids should never play the game alone but in a supervised group. Know when and where your kids are playing.

3. Don't Trespass — The game has a "lure module" that leads the players to various locations to win points and catch Pokémon characters. These locations are called Pokéstops. Pokéstops have been found at public places such as libraries and parks.

But stops are also on private property, empty lots or even cemeteries. Players may not realize they are trespassing in restricted areas and may draw attention of law enforcement and residents. Please, don't trespass. You can catch Pokémon without going into

or onto property.

4. Don't Enter Fire Stations — Please do not enter Fairfax County fire stations, including open apparatus bays. Firefighters and medics respond to emergency calls 24 hours a day. At any given time, they may be called to an emergency and a distracted pedestrian causes a dangerous situation for responders and trucks leaving the station.

5. Play in the Parks — Fairfax County is thrilled that so many folks are coming to county parks to play. During your visit, take time to learn a little about the natural and cultural resources surrounding you using the trails map. Playing the game requires you to frequently look at your phone, so take these precautions:

Be sure to keep looking around to see where you are, so you don't walk into a tree or a yellow jackets nest or bump into other people.

Pay attention to the time; parks close at dusk. (Staff will chase out the Pokémon then, too.) Please stay on the park trails even if the Pokémon don't.

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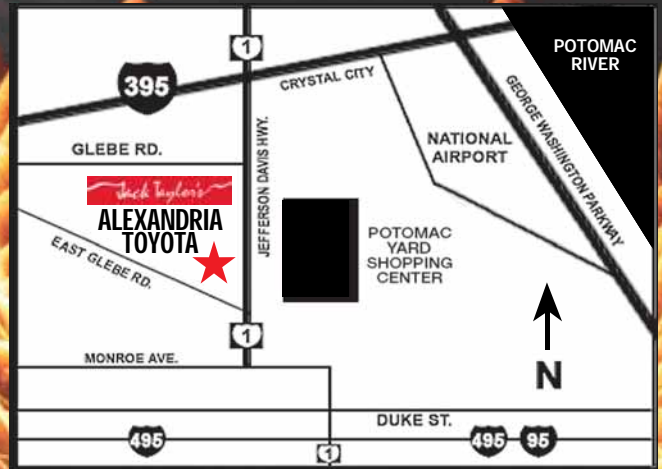
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**Evenings on the Ellipse.** 5:30-7 p.m. Thursdays through Aug. 25. Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Fun music and good company. Paradise Springs and The Winery at Bull Run will be offering complimentary tastings of their premium reds and whites. If it rains, concerts will be moved inside to the Government Center Forum. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances/>

**Wednesday Morning Tai Chi.** 6:30 a.m. Aug. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31. Old Town Square, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. At the pergola. 703-385-2712.

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**Redder Blood.** Fridays and Saturdays, 8 p.m. Sundays, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. July 8-31. New School of Northern Virginia, 9431 Silver King Court, Fairfax, Virginia 22031. A premiere co-production between the Hub Theatre and the Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia, written by Helen Parfumi. Follows character Sadie, a woman who hears the voice of God. \$20-\$30. [www.jccnv.org.thehubtheatre.org](http://www.jccnv.org.thehubtheatre.org). 703-537-3000.

**The Farmer's Market at Springfield Town Center.** 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Through November. Corner of Spring Mall and Loisdale roads, Springfield. Enjoy fresh baked goods, produce, vegetables & fruits, meats & cheeses, and a host of other vendors. [springfieldtowncenter.com](http://springfieldtowncenter.com).

**Mestey Films Productions presents: Live Onstage: The Wizard of Oz in Fairyland.** 1 p.m. Workhouse W-3 Theatre, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. Every Saturday from July 2-30. Children's theatre production combining the stories of "The Wizard of Oz" with "Aladdin," "Alice in Wonderland" and "Snow White." \$14.50 adults, \$11.50 children 12 and under. [www.workhousearts.org](http://www.workhousearts.org). 703-584-2900.

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## THURSDAY/JULY 21

**Amphibians After Dark.** 7 p.m. Burke Lake Park, 7315 Ox Road, Fairfax Station. Assist park naturalists with a calling amphibian survey. Learn how to identify frogs and toads by their calls as we explore pools and ponds. Ages 8-Adult. Children must be accompanied by an adult registered in the program. 1 hours. \$6 in-county, \$8 out of county. <http://parktakes.fairfaxcounty.gov/>.

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**Burke Lake Boat Fishing.** 8 a.m. Burke Lake Park, 7315 Ox Road, Fairfax Station. Meet at marina. Students learn about the fish in Burke Lake as well as tricks to catch them. Clinic includes instruction and a trip around the lake by boat. Bring your own rods, bait and tackle or rent them from the park. Ages 10 - Adult. Children younger than 13 must be accompanied by a registered adult. Students over age 16 must have a valid fishing license, call park for details. 3 hours. \$35 in-county, \$37 out of county. <http://parktakes.fairfaxcounty.gov/>.

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**Adapted Birding on the Boat.** 7 a.m. Burke Lake Park, 7315 Ox Road, Fairfax Station. Children with disabilities will enjoy a naturalist led bird program. Come aboard our fully accessible boat and head out onto the lake to take a closer look at some of the birds and animals that call the lake home. Bring binoculars and dress for the weather. Ages 8-Adult. Child must be accompanied by an adult. 2 hours. \$10 in-county, \$12 out of county. <http://parktakes.fairfaxcounty.gov/>.

## THURSDAY/JULY 28

**Evenings on the Ellipse.** 5:30-7 p.m. Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Caravan of Thieves. Fun music and good company. Paradise Springs and The Winery at Bull Run will be offering complimentary tastings of their premium reds and whites. If it rains, concerts will be moved inside to the Government Center Forum. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances/>

## SATURDAY/JULY 30

**Mount Vernon Nights: The United States Air Force Celtic Aire (Celtic).** 7-8 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. Performs classical Irish melodies and favorite songs with traditional Celtic instruments. The premier folk ensemble of the U.S. Air Force. Free. [www.workhousearts.org](http://www.workhousearts.org). 703-584-2900.

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**NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEES'**  
**SALE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY HUNTER MILL WEST, L.C.**  
**LOCATED AT**  
**10736 SUNSET HILLS ROAD, RESTON, VIRGINIA**  
**SALE TO BE HELD AT THE FAIRFAX COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT**

July 22, 2016, AT 9:00 A.M.

In execution of a certain Credit Line Deed of Trust and Security Agreement dated November 19, 2008, and recorded November 20, 2008 in Deed Book 20183 at Page 0376 among the land records of Fairfax County, Virginia (the "Deed of Trust"), made by HUNTER MILL WEST, L.C., a Virginia limited liability company, now securing CATJEN LLC, a Virginia limited liability company (the "Noteholder"), default having occurred in the payment of the debt secured thereby, and being instructed to do so by the Noteholder, the undersigned Substitute Trustees, will offer for sale the property described below at public auction by the main entrance to the Fairfax County Circuit Court, located at 4110 Chain Bridge Rd, Fairfax, VA 22030 on July 22, 2016, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The real property encumbered by the Deed of Trust that will be offered for sale by the Substitute Trustees is commonly known as 10736 Sunset Hills Road (Tax Identification Number: 0183-02-0004) located in Reston, Fairfax County, Virginia, as more particularly described in the Deed of Trust, and all improvements, fixtures, easements and appurtenances thereto (the "Property").

**TERMS OF SALE**

**ALL CASH.** The Property will be offered for sale "AS IS, WHERE IS" and will be conveyed by Substitute Trustees' Deed (the "Substitute Trustees' Deed") subject to all encumbrances, rights, reservations, conveyances, conditions, easements, restrictions, and all recorded and unrecorded liens, if any, having priority over and being superior to the Deed of Trust, as they may lawfully affect the Property.

The Substitute Trustees and the Beneficiary disclaim all warranties of any kind, either express or implied for the Property, including without limitation, any warranty relating to the zoning, condition of the soil, extent of construction, materials, habitability, environmental condition, compliance with applicable laws, fitness for a particular purpose and merchantability. The risk of loss or damage to the Property shall be borne by the successful bidder from and after the date and time of the sale. Obtaining possession of the Property shall be the sole responsibility of the successful bidder (the "Purchaser").

A bidder's deposit of \$150,000.00 (the "Deposit") by certified or cashier's check shall be required by the Substitute Trustees for such bid to be accepted. The Substitute Trustees reserve the right to prequalify any bidder prior to the sale and/or waive the requirement of the Deposit. Immediately after the sale, the successful bidder shall execute and deliver a memorandum of sale with the Substitute Trustees, copies of which shall be available for inspection immediately prior to the sale, and shall deliver to the Substitute Trustees the Deposit and the memo-

randum of sale. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid by the Purchaser. Settlement shall occur within thirty (30) days after the sale date, TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE with regard to the Purchaser's obligation.

Settlement shall take place at the offices of Venable LLP, 8010 Towers Crescent Drive, Suite 300, Tysons Corner, Virginia 22182 or other mutually agreed location. Purchaser shall also pay all past due real estate taxes, rollback taxes, water rents, water permit renewal fees (if any) or other municipal liens, charges and assessments, together with penalties and interest due thereon. The Purchaser shall also pay all settlement fees, title examination charges, title charges and title insurance premiums, all recording costs (including the state grantor's tax and all state and county recordation fees, clerk's filing fees, congestion relief fees and transfer fees and taxes), auctioneer's fees and/or bid premiums, and reasonable attorneys' fees and disbursements incurred in the preparation of the deed of conveyance and other settlement documentation.

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**Thelma Maxine Ringle** known to all as "Maxine" passed away on July 10, 2016. She was born on April 19, 1932 in Orleans, Virginia to the late Wilson Ambrose Payne and Wilona Kathleen Payne. She was predeceased by her husband of 52 years John D. Ringle. John was known as the "Father of the Occoquan" due to his development of prestigious 5 acre estate communities throughout Fairfax Station and Clifton, Virginia. Maxine is survived by her daughter, Michelle Kathleen Clay and her husband Steven, her son John Kristen "Kris" Ringle and his wife Sherry as well as her granddaughter Elizabeth Nicole Spring and great granddaughter Avery Nicole Spring. Her siblings, Pauline Payne, Margarette Roth, Andrew Payne, Aurena Gillespie, and Michael Hodson also survive her. Maxine met her husband, John D. Ringle at a dinner dance in 1953 when she was working for the office of the Provost Marshall General in Washington, DC. They married later that year at the Walter Reed Memorial Chapel at Walter Reed Hospital. They shared 52 wonderful years of marriage before John passed away. An avid reader, Maxine was often referred to as an "Encyclopedia". She kept files on many topics and loved to educate herself. From time spent walking on the beach collecting shells to finding and collecting feathers and rocks when on her many trips around the world she continued to learn about our planet. Her love for protecting the land and water shed was often a topic she spoke about. She, along with her husband John were awarded a proclamation from Fairfax County by then supervisor Elaine McConnell for a "Visionary and environmentally sound approach to development of the Occoquan Watershed". This led to July 26 officially being declared "John D. Ringle and Maxine Ringle Day". Maxine was very passionate about our political system. She was a kind giving woman who was passionate about her family. She was down to earth, not a flashy person who was content with the simple things in life. She brought joy to not only her family but to all those who were lucky enough to know her. She was loved. She will be missed.

Maxine has been entrusted to the care of Mountcastle Turch Funeral Home where there will be a visitation held on Wednesday, July 20 from 7 - 9 PM at 13318 Occoquan Road in Woodbridge, VA 22191. A funeral service will take place at Saint Paul's United Methodist Church in Woodbridge, VA on Thursday, July 21 starting at 11am Reverend Harvey Warnick officiating. Burial to follow at Quantico National Cemetery.



Leesburg — **Col. William T. Kaser, 87**, died Monday, July 11, 2016 at the Inova Loudoun Hospital following a brief illness. He leaves his wife of 61 years, Phyllis, his son, Thomas and two grandchildren, Chelsea and Emily. Born and raised in Toledo, Ohio. He joined the U.S. Army as a Second Lieutenant in 1952 after graduating from the University of Toledo with a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering. He served in Korea from 1953-1954 before going to Fort Benning, GA for Combat Infantry School. After graduation, he was stationed in Baumholder Germany from 1959-1961. Upon returning to the states, He was stationed at Ft Leavenworth, KS before settling in the Washington DC area with several posts at the Pentagon. In 1965, he attended the University of Pittsburgh to pursue his MBA. After graduation, he was sent to Vietnam with the rank of Major for his first tour from 1966-1967. He would return to Vietnam as a Lieutenant Colonel and as a Battalion and Aviation Group Commander, from 1971-1972. During both postings, he flew helicopters and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross in March 1975 for his efforts. He attended the U.S. Army War College in Carlisle, Pa, graduating in 1975. After returning to the Pentagon, he was assigned to a post at NATO in Brussels where he worked on a committee to coordinate military logistics between participating countries. Upon retirement from the army in September 1982, he went to Georgetown University where he graduated with a Master in Accounting and subsequently received his C.P.A. After applying his accounting skills in a couple of positions, he went to work as a school bus driver in Fairfax and then Loudoun County, after he settled in Leesburg. He drove for the county from 2004-2010. He often said that his time as a driver, was among his most enjoyable. A viewing will be held at Colonial Funeral Home of Leesburg on July 21st from 6-8 before interment at Arlington Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family asks donations be sent to the Wounded Warrior Project, Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas 66675. www.colonialfuneralhome.com

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