



**Hadeed**  
ORIENTAL RUG CLEANING  
AND IN-HOME SERVICES



Winter Has NOT Been Kind to Your Rugs  
**GET ALL THE SALT, DIRT & GRIME OFF YOUR RUGS!**

**OUR BEST OFFER EVER!**

**In-Plant Oriental Rug Cleaning**  
Have 2 Rugs Cleaned And Get The 3rd Cleaned **Free!**



**703-836-1111 | JoeHadeed.com | FREE PICKUP & DELIVERY!** Expires 3/11/18. Same size or smaller rug free. Not valid w/any other offers. †Some restrictions apply.

# Chantilly

## CONNECTION

Fair Oaks ♦ Fair Lakes

Inside  
**PET CONNECTION**

Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova adopted Frodo from a foster mother in Fairfax Station.

# Rescue Cats

PETS, PAGE 4

County Opens  
Budget Debate  
NEWS, PAGE 3

PHOTO CONTRIBUTED  
CALENDAR, PAGE 8 ♦ CLASSIFIEDS, PAGE 6





# CONGRESSWOMAN BARBARA COMSTOCK Your Voice in Congress

PROUDLY REPRESENTING VIRGINIA'S 10TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

## SOME OF THE WAYS WE CAN HELP:

- › Internship Opportunities
- › Assistance with Various Federal Agencies
- › Assistance with Veterans Benefits
- › Assistance with Medicare and Medicaid
- › Passport Assistance
- › 10th Congressional District Young Women Leadership Program
- › Military Academy Nominations
- › Applying for Federal Grants

**Washington, DC**  
229 Cannon House  
Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515  
☎ 202.225.5136

**Loudoun County**  
21430 Cedar Drive  
Suite 218  
Sterling, VA 20164  
☎ 703.404.6903

**Shenandoah Valley**  
117 E. Piccadilly St  
Suite 100 D  
Winchester, VA 22601  
☎ 540.773.3600

**COMSTOCK.HOUSE.GOV** f 



# NEWS

## New Kids in Town

County executive proposes budget that fully funds schools and compensation for employees.

BY KEN MOORE

The Board of Supervisors has until March 6 to determine if it will advertise the 2.5-cents real estate tax increase proposed by new County Executive Bryan Hill last Tuesday, Feb. 20.

"When we advertise the tax rate that will become the ceiling for what the tax rate can be. It can be lower, it can be the same, but it can not be higher than what we advertise on March 6," said Chairman Sharon Bulova, following Hill's presentation at the Board of Supervisors meeting.

The board will officially adopt the FY2019 budget on May 1, after a series of community meetings and public hearings on the \$4.29-billion budget. More than 40 community meetings have already been scheduled in the next month throughout the county.

"This will be an intense process as we work with the community," said Bulova.

Bulova called Hill's proposed tax increase "a significant amount."

Dranesville Supervisor John Foust said,



County Executive Bryan Hill answered questions along with FCPS Superintendent Scott Brabrand. FCPS budget is fully funded in Hill's proposal.

"the size of the increase, obviously a concern."  
"Every budget has two sides; you have the receiving end and the paying end, and

if you're on the receiving end of county services people will be very happy," said Braddock Supervisor John Cook. "When you

walk up to your office, Mr. Hill, at the end of the day, people in the hallways will be very happy. Every county priority is fully funded, schools are fully funded, and that's not a bad thing, that sounds good, but we have to remember the other side."

The other side starts with what Bulova said would be an average tax increase of \$268 to every homeowner in Fairfax County.

Springfield Supervisor Pat Herrity calculates that increase to be five percent, adding to a total the last five years of more than 26 percent, Herrity said.

"While the tax bills continue to grow in Fairfax, wages have not, especially for our growing population of seniors and our dwindling population of millennials," said Herrity.

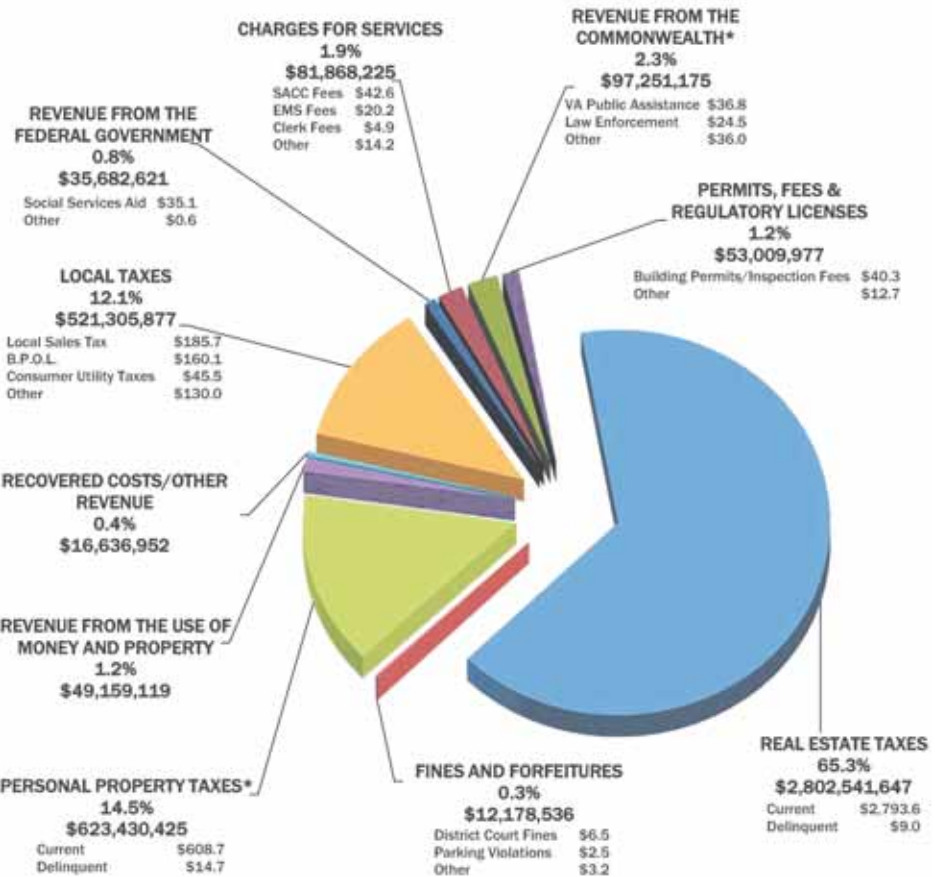
And various parts of the county will be hit harder than others. Cook suggested that some in his neighborhood each month "will pay \$450 to \$700-plus more with this budget."

"While there are many things in this budget that I strongly advocated for and fully support, and it's nice to see, we also have

SEE COUNTY, PAGE 5

### FY 2019 ADVERTISED BUDGET PLAN

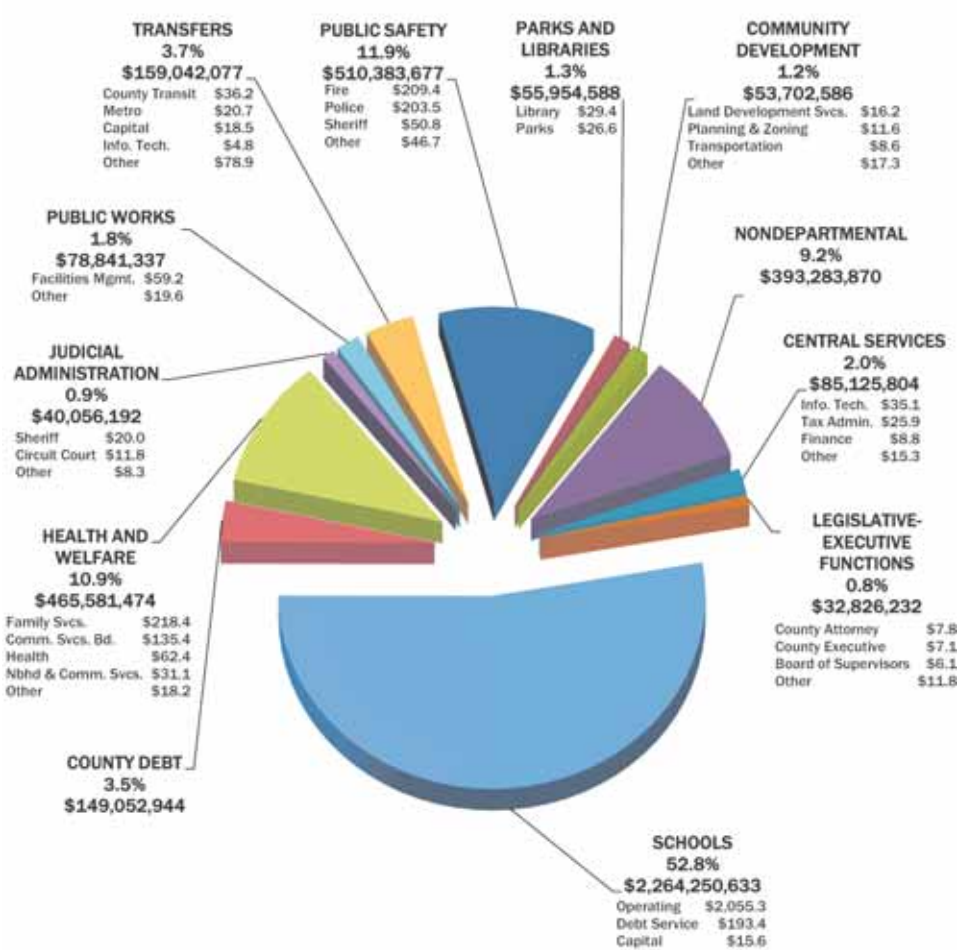
#### GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS "WHERE IT COMES FROM" (Subcategories in millions)



FY 2019 GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS = \$4,293,064,554\*\*

### FY 2019 ADVERTISED BUDGET PLAN

#### GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS "WHERE IT GOES" (Subcategories in millions)



FY 2019 GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS = \$4,288,101,414

In addition to FY 2019 revenues, available balances and transfers in are also utilized to support disbursement requirements.

\* For presentation purposes, Personal Property Taxes of \$211,313,944 that are reimbursed by the Commonwealth as a result of the Personal Property Tax Relief Act of 1998 are included in the Personal Property Taxes category.

\*\* Total County resources used to support the budget include the revenues shown here, as well as a beginning balance and transfers in from other funds.



# OPINION

## Hope for Expanding Health Care

**Just say yes to \$400 million, thousands of jobs and health care for 300,000.**

**\$** 400 million. That's how much the Virginia Senate had to cut from its budget because it refused to include Medicaid expansion in the budget.

The House of Delegates version of the budget has \$400 million more to work with.

\$400 million is a lot of money.

The change in the House of Delegates, a small miracle, comes with the change voters created last November. Republicans had a 66-34 in the House but lost 15 seats after the election.

### EDITORIAL

The economic boost that comes with expanding Medicaid includes as many as 30,000 new jobs. It's ludicrous that Virginia has bypassed this money, this economic boost, this life-saving measure for poor Virginians. The Commonwealth has forfeited than \$10 billion because of ideological, partisan irrationality.

State Sen. Janet Howell may have captured the cause and effect the best in the floor debate: "We've cut education, both higher and public education. We've cut student aid, public safety, mental-health programs, programs for the disabled, programs to have a reliable election system. Why have we made these cuts? We've made them to deprive low-income people of healthcare."

More than 10 percent of residents of Arlington, Alexandria and Fairfax County have no health insurance.

A Harvard Medical School study determined that the decision by 25 states to reject the expansion of Medicaid coverage under the Affordable Care Act would result in between 7,115 and 17,104 more deaths than had all states opted in.

In Virginia, the number of deaths due to failure to expand Medicaid estimated between 266 and 987.

These are wrongful deaths, caused by the willful action of particular Virginia legislators.

Refusing to accept federal funds to provide healthcare to uninsured Virginians makes no more sense than declining federal funds for transportation or education. Imagine the celebration of the economic stimulus of adding \$400 million and tens of thousands of new jobs by any other means.

In Virginia, 102,000 uninsured people with a mental illness or substance use disorder could qualify for coverage if Medicaid were expanded under the Affordable Care Act.

As Virginia wrestles with heroin and opioid addiction, expanding Medicaid would allow for expanding treatment programs. One of the big obstacles to helping people who are fighting addiction is the availability of treatment when it is most needed. More people die of opioid overdoses in Virginia than in vehicle crashes.

It's time for a change, and there is hope for change. Look towards the budget conferences coming up shortly.

— MARY KIMM

MKIMM@CONNECTIONNEWSPAPERS.COM

## PET CONNECTION



Rebecca Dodge's 1st Grade Class with Susie.

## Susie the Dog ... A Very Smart Dog

BY REBECCA DODGE  
BROOKFIELD ELEMENTARY

**A**s I've taught my kindergarten and first grade classes through the years, I've always told them about Susie the dog.

I've told them she is a very smart dog. When I am gone during the day, she sits and blogs on her laptop ... much like the dog on the kids TV show, "Dog with a Blog." She often has a cup of tea and reads. That's how I "convince" them I will have no problem teaching them to read if I can teach a dog to read! They always ask me if



Susie the dog with glasses

she can "really" talk. I always say ... Yes! It's a fun gag we all enjoy! Parents and students alike know and love "Susie the dog."

Every Spring I bring her to meet the students. When they ask if she will talk or read while she is here, I always say "Absolutely not!" Do you think I would risk someone hearing her and risk her moving to Hollywood and away from me?

They love it!

On special holidays, students get a photo of Susie the dog, along with their teacher, of course, to keep! They write about Susie in their journals and feel like they "know" Susie by the end of the year! She truly is our class pet!



## Rescuing Frodo And Sammi

Fairfax Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova share these photos of her two rescue cats: top is Sammi and the big orange guy below is Frodo. "Frodo came from a foster mother in Fairfax Station. He had had a difficult time being adopted. Sometimes he will nip when he doesn't want to be handled and that may have been the problem. He is very sweet and affectionate though. Sammi was part of a feral litter of kittens living behind a restaurant in D.C. Tammy Kaufax (Lee District School Board Member) and her two kids took care of the kittens as part of a school project. I adopted Sammi but Tammy and the kids couldn't part with the other two."



## Chantilly CONNECTION

www.ConnectionNewspapers.com

@ChantillyConnec

Newspaper of  
**Chantilly**  
**Fair Oaks / Fair Lakes**  
A Connection Newspaper

An independent, locally owned weekly newspaper delivered to homes and businesses.

**Published by**  
**Local Media Connection LLC**

**1606 King Street**  
**Alexandria, Virginia 22314**

Free digital edition delivered to your email box. Go to [connectionnewspapers.com/subscribe](http://connectionnewspapers.com/subscribe)

**NEWS DEPARTMENT:**  
**chantilly@connectionnewspapers.com**

**Steven Mauren**  
Editor, 703-778-9415  
[smauren@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:smauren@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Jean Card**  
Production Editor  
[jcard@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:jcard@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Bonnie Hobbs**  
Community Reporter, 703-778-9415  
[bhobbs@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:bhobbs@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Andrea Worker**  
Contributing Writer  
[aworker@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:aworker@connectionnewspapers.com)

**ADVERTISING:**  
For advertising information  
**[sales@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:sales@connectionnewspapers.com)**  
703-778-9431

**Debbie Funk**  
National Sales  
703-778-9444  
[debfunk@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:debfunk@connectionnewspapers.com)

**David Griffin**  
Marketing Assistant  
703-778-9431  
[dgriffin@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:dgriffin@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Classified & Employment Advertising**  
703-778-9431

**Editor & Publisher**  
Mary Kimm  
[mkimm@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:mkimm@connectionnewspapers.com)  
[@MaryKimm](https://www.facebook.com/MaryKimm)

**Executive Vice President**  
Jerry Vernon  
703-549-0004  
[jvernon@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:jvernon@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Editor in Chief**  
Steven Mauren  
**Managing Editor**  
Kemal Kurspahic  
**Art/Design:**  
Laurence Foong, John Heinly,  
Ali Khaligh  
**Production Manager:**  
Geovani Flores

**CIRCULATION**  
[circulation@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:circulation@connectionnewspapers.com)

A Connection Newspaper



# County Opens Budget Debate

FROM PAGE 3

to go back to the people who pay. ... In this budget, it's hard to explain to the people paying the bill where the restraint was," Cook said.

Lee District Supervisor Jeff McKay heads the budget committee for the board.

"When you're stuck with residential taxes as your main source of revenue and you can't control property values, you can't control the fact that the highest percentages are sometimes in the communities of this county whose residents can least afford that increase," he said.

**HILL TOOK OVER** as county executive on Jan. 2; former county executive Ed Long retired Sept. 15, 2017.

"Excellent job in a very short period of time," said Foust, after Hill's presentation.

"Fifty-three days, sir," said Hill, with humor.

Bulova called Hill's budget "outstanding."

"It essentially hits on all the notes that our board is concerned about, increasing funding for schools, fully funding compensation for our employees and also addressing Diversion First and increases in what we need to fund CSB [County Services Board] and police, etcetera, etcetera," said Bulova.

"This is a budget that invests in people and I think that's the single most important thing we can do this year, to invest in our school employees and our county employees," said McKay.

Hunter Mill Supervisor Cathy Hudgins said she welcomed Hill's support "embracing initiatives" that will allow all families to enjoy what the county has to offer.

"Fairfax County is a really great place but unfortunately there are a lot of folks who are not in a great place in order to enjoy all of that," she said.

For example, "School readiness needs to be looked at with as broad a brush as you can find," she said.

**URGENCY AND WARNING** were themes of Hill's presentation, however.

This year's budget proposal addresses almost all priorities and initiatives, but the future will need to be different, Hill said.

"We're going to have to change how we do business here in Fairfax County," Hill said, predicting persistent budget shortfalls into the future. "It's 2020 where we really need to tie our shoes a little tighter," being "more creative and nimble."

He recommends returning promptly to an analysis of county lines of business, looking for efficiencies and savings in each department.

"You hit the nail on the head," said Foust. "We have to find a way to make county government more efficient if we are going to continue providing the awesome services that we provide at fair and reasonable costs."

Hill predicts restrained revenue growth for the foreseeable future, with uncertainties in federal spending, the impact of tax reform on property values, state budget contributions and meeting the needs of Metro.

One continuing issue is that Fairfax County sends far more tax money to state coffers than returns, getting just 23 cents back for every dollar, Hill said.

"No matter how many times I say it, people in our

## BUDGET MEETINGS

- ❖ Wednesday, March 7, 7 p.m., Sully District Town Hall, Rocky Run Middle School Little Theater, 4400 Stringfellow Road, Chantilly
- ❖ April 10-12, Board of Supervisors Public Hearings on FY 2019 Budget and FY 2019-2023 Capital Improvement Plan. See [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/bosclerk/speakers-form](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/bosclerk/speakers-form) to sign up.

community don't understand it," said McKay. "They think we get significant help from the state, they think the schools get significant help from the state, but really the schools are getting significant help from the homeowners in Fairfax County."

**THE \$4.29-BILLION** budget would transfer \$2.26 billion to the school system, 52 percent of the total.

Hill and new School Superintendent Scott Brabrand pledged to work collaboratively to reach joint priorities and efficiencies.

The two new executives stood side by side when answering questions about the proposed budget.

"The quality of the school system is directly tied with the quality of life in the county," said Brabrand, who began July 10, 2017. His contract runs through June 30, 2021.

"I think it is the first time in recent years that the county executive and the superintendent of schools have stood side by side to share our budgets and take questions. I think this

change is emblematic of a new approach to meeting the needs of the residents of Fairfax County," he said. Hill's proposed budget would fully fund the FCPS request.

Hill's annual salary is \$250,000, Brabrand's is \$290,000.

**MORE THAN** 18.9 million square feet of office space remains vacant in the county.

"Maybe it's starting to think about different uses for that instead of the normal," said Hill. "Leaving it vacant is not a good thing for our tax base. The more people we have in our vacant office space ... reduces the burden on our county residents. So we have to be more creative, we have to be more nimble, and we have to be cutting edge."

Hill and numerous supervisors discussed the importance of economic development,

"Increasing commercial is a really good story that can not be overlooked," said Foust. "A 3.8 percent increase in the non-residential assessment is really good news."

Mount Vernon Supervisor Dan Storck suggested overtime expenditure is an area to save money.

And Herrity made his annual appeal for the county to address pension benefits.

"Every year we put it off, it gets harder," Herrity said.

"I am extremely disappointed that we have reached yet another budget cycle and we have failed to address our pension issues," he said. "As I talk with constituents throughout the county, they are in disbelief that we continue to offer new employees a pension benefit more generous than surrounding jurisdictions on top of a county taxpayer paid social security benefit as early as age 55. Pension costs alone add 30 cents to every payroll dollar and compete for funding with critically needed county services and employee and teacher raises."

**"We're going to have to change how we do business here in Fairfax County."**

**— County Executive Bryan Hill**



## It's Your Time to Celebrate with a \$100 Resort Credit!

From finding a new job to your child receiving straight A's, we'll help make your celebration getaway extra special by offering a \$100 resort credit per night.\* Luxurious spa treatments, delicious dining, unique shopping and fun entertainment options provide everything you need for a joyous occasion.

Book your getaway today!

**GaylordNational.com/Celebrate**  
or call (301) 965-4000 (refer to promo code ZJL)



\*Valid through October 31, 2018. Limited number of rooms available for this promotion. Offer does not apply to groups of 10 or more rooms. Offer cannot be combined with any other promotion. Limit One (1) \$100 resort credit per night. See website for complete terms and conditions.

**HADEED** SINCE 1955  
 Oriental Rug Cleaning & In-Home Services

**HANNA AYOUB** SINCE 1929  
 Oriental Rug Cleaning Co.

Winter Has NOT Been Kind to Your Rugs

**GET ALL THE SALT, DIRT & GRIME OFF YOUR RUGS!**

**SAVE up to 33%**

**OUR BEST OFFER EVER!**

**In-Plant Oriental Rug Cleaning**

Have 2 Rugs Cleaned | And Get The 3rd Cleaned **Free!**

<b>In-Plant Rug Restoration</b> <b>10% OFF*</b> <small>*Hurry, Offer Expires 3/11/18.</small>	<b>Wall to Wall Carpet Steam Cleaning</b> <b>20% OFF*</b> <small>*Hurry, Offer Expires 3/11/18.</small>	<b>Hardwood Floor Cleaning &amp; Polishing</b> <b>20% OFF*</b> <small>*Hurry, Offer Expires 3/11/18.</small>
---	---	--

**Free Pickup & Delivery!**  
Includes: Furniture Moving & Rolling & Laying the Rugs!†

**We Hand-Wash Your Fine Oriental Rugs!**

535 W. Maple Avenue, Vienna, VA | 4918 Wisconsin Ave., DC/MD | 3206 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA | 6628 Electronic Dr., Springfield VA | 3116 W. Moore Street, Richmond VA

**703-836-1111 | JoeHadeed.com**

\* Expires 3/11/18. (3) for the price of (2) same size or smaller rug free. Not valid w/any other offers. †Available in MD, DC, & VA. Min. order required, some restrictions apply. Doesn't include breakables. Call for details.



## Announcements

**We pay top \$ for STERLING,  
MEN'S WATCHES,  
JEWELRY, COSTUME JEWELRY,  
FURNITURE, PAINTINGS AND CLOCKS.**

**Schefer Antiques**

703-241-0790

theschefers@cox.net

**Find us on Facebook  
and become a fan!**

[www.Facebook.com/  
connectionnewspapers](http://www.Facebook.com/connectionnewspapers)

**THE CONNECTION**

Newspapers & Online  
The Connection to Your Community  
[www.connectionnewspapers.com](http://www.connectionnewspapers.com)

## Employment

### Forget Daily Commuting

**Print and digital media  
sales consultant for area's  
most popular and trusted  
local news source**

Manage your own hours from home

Enjoy flexible schedule

plus no daily commute

Help local businesses grow

Unique opportunity to be a

voice in your community

Competitive compensation

**Call Jerry Vernon**

**703-549-0004**

Connection Newspapers & Digital Media  
Trusted Connection to Local Communities

## Legals

### ABC LICENSE

MM Gainesville, LLC trading as Mellow Mushroom Chantilly, 14335 Newbrook Dr., Chantilly, VA 20151. The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) for a Wine and Beer On and Off Premises/ Keg Permit and Mixed Beverage Restaurant license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages. Dawn Corbett / Member. NOTE: Objections to the issuance of this license must be submitted to ABC no later than 30 days from the publishing date of the first of two required newspaper legal notices. Objections should be registered at [www.abc.virginia.gov](http://www.abc.virginia.gov) or 800-552-3200.

## Employment

Globalgate IT Solutions LLC has openings for Lead Programmer Analyst. Jobs loc in Chantilly, VA & var unanticp locs t/o US. Dsgn, dvlp, anlyz & tst s/w/ sys accrdg to usr rqmnts. Custmrz existng s/w progrms to meet usr needs. Eval usr reqsts & implmnt accrdgngly. Prep instrctns & logcl steps for s/w/ sys. Dploy confgrtns chngs, custmrztn, intrfces & data cnvrsns t/o implmntn. Wrk w/var techs such as SQL Server, HP Quality Center & SharePoint. Trvl/ reloc to var unanticp locs t/o US for LT/ ST asgnmnts at clt sites. Req: BS or frgn equiv in Comp Sci, Engg (any), or rel & 5 yrs of exp in job/off or as Comp S/W Prof. Also OK: MS or frgn equiv in Comp Sci, Engg (any), or rel & 3 yrs of exp in job/off or as Comp S/W Prof. Mail res w/cvr ltr: Globalgate IT Solutions LLC, 14801 Murdock St, #155, Chantilly, VA 20151; Job 17GBG02; EOE

**For a free digital sub-  
scription to one or all  
of the 15 Connection  
Newspapers, go to  
[www.connectionnews-  
papers.com/subscribe](http://www.connectionnews-<br/>papers.com/subscribe)**

Complete digital rep-  
lica of the print edition,  
including photos and  
ads, delivered weekly  
to your e-mail box.

Questions? E-mail:  
[goinggreen@connection-  
newspapers.com](mailto:goinggreen@connection-<br/>newspapers.com)

**THE CONNECTION  
NEWSPAPERS**

## Announcements

## Announcements

### Absolute Trustee AUCTION

**Fri, Mar.23, 10AM • 22031 Milky Way, Elkwood, VA**

8mi east of Culpeper between US-15 & VA-3

### 242 Acre Dairy Farm & Equipment

Open & productive farm w/ home & facilities.

Also selling tractors & equipment!

**Details at [TRFAuctions.com](http://TRFAuctions.com)**

**434.847.7741 | [info@trfauctions.com](mailto:info@trfauctions.com)**

**TRF AUCTIONS**  
Torrance, Read, & Forehand  
VAAF501

## Announcements

## Announcements

### Attention Invokana® Users

Our law firm is accepting claims nationwide for an **Invokana® Injury Lawsuit**. Invokana®, a SGLT2 inhibitor, is prescribed to patients with type 2 diabetes.

The new Boxed Warning, the strongest label the FDA can place on a prescription medication, will now inform patients about the **risk of amputation** from canagliflozin, the active drug in Invokana.

If you or a loved one has suffered an amputation after taking Invokana® or Invokamet®, please contact our law firm now as you may be entitled to financial compensation.

**The Miller Firm LLC**  
TRIAL LAWYERS

**800-882-2525**  
**MillerFirmLLC.com**

## SPORTS

### Loss in Semi-Final

**T**he Westfield Bulldog boys faced the visiting Stonewall Jackson Raiders on Feb. 20 in the 1st round of the 6D Regional.

After both teams scored 15 first quarter points, the home team Bulldogs were able to repeat that while holding the visitors to just 13.

Trailing 30-28 in the 3rd quarter, Stonewall Jackson would overcome that deficit and take the lead 45-44 with eight minutes to play in regulation.

After the two were knotted up at 53 midway through the 4th, the Raiders would build a 65-58 lead with 48.5 seconds to play. After a Bulldog three-pointer with 34.5 seconds and another Stonewall Jackson score, Westfield still trailed 67-61. Westfield was not finished. Another successful three-pointer the score was 67-64. The Raiders again scored to take the lead to 69-64 with 29.4 seconds to play. Westfield's Jordan Hairston would convert on another three-pointer with the score now 69-67. Westfield would then foul Antonio Warner who made one of his two free throws giving the visitors a lead of 70-67 with 9 seconds to play. Westfield would hurry down the court and find Marshall Reed on the far corner of the baseline nearest to the Stonewall Jackson fans. Reed would convert his fifth successful three of the game to send the game to overtime, 70-70.

In the overtime after both teams had scored a basket, Westfield was able to capitalize and take a 74-73 advantage with just 1:31 to play. Stonewall Jackson's Jordan Warner then converted a shot from the top of the key to give them a 75-74 lead with 24.3 seconds. Westfield again went to Reed who this time used his strength to



**DJ Gregory lays in two of his nine points against South Lakes on Feb. 21.**

muscle in the paint and bank in the game winner with 11.4 seconds remaining.

Westfield was led by Jordan Hairston's 31 points. Marshall Reed added 23 points. Both Reed and Hairston converted on 5 three pointers.

After advancing to the 2nd round of the 6D Region the Bulldogs traveled to take on South Lakes on Feb. 23.

Halfway through the game Westfield would lead 33-24. South Lakes would outscore the Bulldogs 35-26 in the second half to force overtime for the second time in as many games for Westfield. With the game knotted at 59 to start overtime, Westfield would get 4 points from both Jordan Hairston and Aaron Opoku, and DJ Gregory and Taylor Morin the other 3 points and Westfield would survive to the semifinals of the Region Tournament to take on Madison. Westfield was led by Marshall with 24 points.

In the semi finals of the Region 6D, Madison would open the 1st quarter with a 14-4 lead and Westfield would never recover, losing 61-46 and ending their season. Madison advanced to play the Battlefield Bobcats for the Region Final. Westfield was led by Jordan Hairston's 16 points and DJ Gregory's 9 points.

— WILL PALENSCAR

## Announcements

## Announcements

**Lifetime  
METAL  
ROOFING**  
by VA CAROLINA BUILDINGS, INC

40 YEAR WARRANTY ON THE FINISH - ENERGY EFFICIENT  
SUPERIOR DURABILITY - SENIOR CITIZEN DISCOUNT  
**FACTORY DIRECT - WE FINANCE - CALL NOW!**

**WWW.METALROOFOVER.COM 1-800-893-1242**

**Like**

**LIKE US ON  
FACEBOOK,  
PLEASE**

[www.Facebook.com/  
connectionnewspapers](http://www.Facebook.com/connectionnewspapers)



## SPORTS



PHOTO BY WILL PALENSCAR

**Gabby Reed #24 fires off a last second shot of the 1st half of Westfield's 1st Round 6D Regional matchup with Stonewall Jackson. Reed would account for 8 points**

## Win Over Stonewall, Loss to Langley

**W**estfield jumped out to an early 20-10 advantage after playing 8 minutes in the 1st round 6D Regional game on Feb. 20 in Chantilly.

In the 2nd quarter it was much of the same as Westfield would increase its lead to 25, 41-16 at the halfway point of the game.

In the 3rd quarter Stonewall Jackson would score 12 points, but Westfield would add 15 more giving Westfield a 56-28 lead.

In the 4th quarter Westfield Coach Noel Klippenstein substituted many from the bench and rested many of her starters. In fact 10 players scored at least two points for Westfield. Westfield was led by Wanna Wardak who had a game high 20 points including four, 3 pointers. Nicki McNamara and Gabby Reed each had 8 points. Sami Knox added 6 points both 3 pointers. Stonewall Jackson was led by Alyssa Sweeney with 17 points including two, 3 pointers. Yanessa Cabrera added 10.

Westfield advances to the 2nd round with the 66-44 win, and faced Langley on Feb. 21.

In the first two quarters Westfield would trail Langley by 10 points heading into the 3rd quarter, 24-14. However, Westfield would fight back outscoring Langley 12-2 in the 3rd quarter. The 4th quarter Langley narrowly escaped the upset bid by Westfield and defeated the Lady Bulldogs 42-39.

With the loss Westfield ends its season. Kirah Johnson scored 13 points to lead Westfield and Hannah Williams added 10. Langley was led by Jordyn Callaghan's 14 points.

— WILL PALENSCAR

## BUSINESS DIRECTORY

WWW.CONNECTIONNEWSPAPERS.COM

TO ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS, CALL KAREN AT 703-778-9422

<b>LANDSCAPING</b> <b>A&amp;S CONSTRUCTION</b> SOD, Mulch, Clean-Up Leaf Removal Hauling. <b>703-863-7465</b>		Good is not good, where better is expected. <b>-Thomas Fuller</b>	
<b>ELECTRICAL</b> <b>K &amp; D ELECTRIC</b> <b>COMMERCIAL / RESIDENTIAL SERVICE</b> Family Owned & Operated Recessed Lighting Ceiling Fans Phone/CATV Computer Network Cabling Service Upgrades Hot Tubs, etc... <b>Licensed/Bonded/Insured</b> Office 703-335-0654 Mobile 703-499-0522 lektrikman28@gmail.com		<b>LANDSCAPING</b> <b>Patios &amp; Drainage</b> Your neighborhood company since 1987 <b>703-912-6886</b>	
<b>ELECTRICAL</b> <b>J.E.S. Services</b> <b>Free Estimates • Fully Licensed &amp; Insured</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Planting &amp; Landscaping Design</li> <li>Drainage &amp; Water Problems</li> <li>Concrete Driveways, Replacement or New</li> <li>Patios and Walks • Masonry Work or Dry Laid</li> <li>Paver, Flagstone, Brick, any style you choose</li> <li>Retaining walls of all types</li> </ul> <b>All work Guaranteed</b>		<b>LANDSCAPING</b> <b>J.E.S. Services</b> <b>Free Estimates • Fully Licensed &amp; Insured</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Planting &amp; Landscaping Design</li> <li>Drainage &amp; Water Problems</li> <li>Concrete Driveways, Replacement or New</li> <li>Patios and Walks • Masonry Work or Dry Laid</li> <li>Paver, Flagstone, Brick, any style you choose</li> <li>Retaining walls of all types</li> </ul> <b>All work Guaranteed</b>	
<b>GUTTER</b> <b>GUTTER CLEANING</b> Gutters and Downspouts Cleaned Small Repairs • Gutter Guards <b>PINNACLE SERVICES</b> Lic/ins 703-802-0483 free est. email: jamie@lawnsgutters.com web: lawnsandgutters.com Friendly Service with a Friendly Price!		<b>TILE / MARBLE</b> <b>BATHROOM REMODELING</b> by Brennan Bath and Tile Partial or Full. Kit. Floors. Backsplashes. Specializing in Ceramic, Porcelain, Glass Tiles and Natural Stones. Also repair work. 35 yrs exp. <b>www.brennan-tile.com</b> <b>703-250-2872</b> Licensed • Bonded • Insured	
<b>IMPROVEMENTS</b> <b>Power Washing</b> Go from green to clean, do you have mold on your siding rotten wood that's a hoa violation? We do houses, decks, fences, side walks, etc. Deck and fence repair, deck staining and sealing. <b>Licensed &amp; Insured • Free Estimates</b> email: jnave@comcast.net <b>703-987-5096</b>		<b>TILE / MARBLE</b> <b>Quality Tree Service &amp; Landscaping</b> <b>Reasonable prices. Licensed &amp; insured.</b> <b>Summer Cleanup...</b> Tree removal, topping & pruning, shrubbery trimming, mulching, leaf removal, planting, hauling, gutter cleaning, retaining walls, drainage problems, etc. 25 years of experience — Free estimates <b>703-868-5358</b> <b>24 Hour Emergency Tree Service</b>	
<b>A&amp;S Landscaping</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All Concrete work</li> <li>Retaining Walls • Patios</li> <li>Decks • Porches (incl. screened) • Erosion &amp; Grading Solutions</li> <li>French Drains • Sump Pumps</li> <li>Driveway Asphalt Sealing</li> </ul> <b>703-863-7465</b> LICENSED <b>Serving All of N. Virginia</b>		<b>ATTENTION ADVERTISERS:</b> expand your audience beyond our weekly print edition with <b>THE CONNECTION DIGITAL</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Email Marketing</li> <li>Social Media</li> <li>Sponsored Content</li> </ul> <b>FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 703.778.9431</b> <b>OR VISIT CONNECTIONNEWSPAPERS.COM/ADVERTISING</b>	
<b>RN. CONTRACTORS, INC.</b> Remodeling Homes, Flooring, Kitchen & Bath, Windows, Siding, Roofing, Additions & Patios, Custom Deck, Painting <b>We Accept All Major Credit Cards</b> Licensed, Insured, Bonded • Free Estimates • Class A Lic <b>Phone: 703-887-3827</b> <b>E-mail: rncontractorsinc@gmail.com</b> <b>www.rncontractors.com</b>		<b>AN EXPERT IS SOMEONE WHO KNOWS SOME OF THE WORST MISTAKES THAT CAN BE MADE IN HIS SUBJECT AND HOW TO AVOID THEM.</b> <b>-Werner Heisenberg</b>	

## I Can't Forget What I Don't Remember



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Four score and several years ago, in the course of human marital events, history which had been made/experienced between and husband and a wife was not recalled quite the same, which likely led to a disagreement. Without there being a video tape then – or now, or a Warner Wolf, insults and recriminations may have flown, and not just the coop. Practically speaking, how does one – or two, actually, solve this most unsolvable of problems?

This is not a declaration of independence or the announcement of a change of address from Burtonsville to Gettysburg, but it is a bit of a query as to how one manages times from one's relatively distant past. After a substantial while, and I would say 40 years qualifies, it's particularly challenging to remember the facts and the feelings that corroborate a memory: Who was there? What was said? How did it sound? Why was it even happening?

And after all these years, the recollections are not exactly black and white – for either party. One – or both – are either viewing them through the looking glass, a prism, a filter, a haze, or in my case as a cancer patient, through a now clinically-confirmed side effect of chemotherapy: "chemo brain." A consequence of treatment which erases/alters memories in some disputable way. A way in which what was once front and center is now back and to the rear, or not at all. And not only are these memories irretrievable, when spoken and heard, they are sometimes not believable either.

I know what I remember. I'm clear in my thinking. Time and place and context are all familiar but the assessment and interpretation of the facts and feelings are different. I realize that simply remembering where I was and what I was doing/saying (or not, to be fair), doesn't guarantee accuracy or agreement, but neither should it be discounted. I mean, being present and accounted for counts for something. The question is/remains: What am I missing?

I will admit though, knowing part of the underlying cause of some of these "recollection-disputes" does minimize the stress of it. Nevertheless, most of the recollections to which I'm referring (in the abstract) are not gone (in my opinion), it's more that they're rearranged, maybe even "misremembered," to invoke baseball great, Roger Clemens, in his sworn testimony before the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, given back in February 2008. The "Rocket's" situation/status wasn't resolved then any more than my situation has been resolved now. It's a work in progress – for all of us.

But I'm happy and fortunate to say: I can live with it. As a nearly nine-year stage IV, non-small cell lung cancer survivor; in fact, I am now my oncologist's longest living lung cancer patient, I can deal with most things cancer-affected and/or life-related. Because in having so obliterated the "13 month to two year" prognosis I was given back in late February 2009, I wouldn't say I'm living on borrowed time exactly, but I would say that I'm living on unexpected time.

So what's a few missing memories or a few historical references out of context? Not much when you consider the alternative. Besides, life's too short (don't I know it) to long for what I can't remember or worry about what I may have forgot.

Kenny Lourie is an Advertising Representative for The Potomac Almanac & The Connection Newspapers.



# ENTERTAINMENT

Submit entertainment announcements at [www.connectionnewspapers.com/Calendar/](http://www.connectionnewspapers.com/Calendar/). The deadline is noon on Friday.

## ONGOING

**Volunteers Needed.** Fairfax Station Railroad Museum needs history buffs. The Museum offers a variety of volunteer opportunities in Museum events, programs and administration. Email [volunteers@fairfax-station.org](mailto:volunteers@fairfax-station.org) or call 703-945-7483 to explore opportunities. The Museum is located at 11200 Fairfax Station Road in Fairfax Station. It is open every Sunday, except holidays, from 1-4 p.m. [www.fairfax-station.org](http://www.fairfax-station.org), 703-425-9225.

## LIBRARY FUN

**Toddlin' Twos.** Tuesdays, 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. at the Chantilly Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. Early literacy storytime with songs and activities included. Age 2 with caregiver, free. Call 703-502-3883 to reserve a spot.

**Storytime for Three to Fives.** Tuesdays, 1:30 p.m. at the Chantilly Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. Stories and activities for children age 3-5 with caregiver. Free. Call 703-502-3883 to reserve a spot.

**Plant Clinic.** Saturdays, 10:30 a.m. at the Chantilly Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. A neighborhood plant clinic with horticultural tips,

information, techniques, and advice. Free. Call 703-502-3883 for a space.

**Lego Block Party.** Every other Saturday at 10:30 a.m. at the Chantilly Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. Legos will be provided for an afternoon of building. Grades 3-6. Free. Call 703-502-3883 to reserve a spot.

**Duplo Storytime.** Every other Wednesday, 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. at the Chantilly Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. Develop and reinforce early literacy skills for reading success. Ages 1-3 with adult. Free. Call 703-502-3883 for a spot.

**Legos Kids Club.** Every other Tuesday, 10:30 a.m. at the Centreville Regional Library, 14200 St. Germain Drive. Thousands of Legos for children to play with. Ages 6-12. Free. Call 703-830-2223 to reserve a space.

**Starlight Storytime.** Every other Wednesday, 7 p.m. at the Centreville Regional Library, 14200 St. Germain Drive. Stories under the stars for ages 4-8. Wear pajamas and bring stuffed friends. Free. Call 703-830-2223 to reserve a space.

## PET ADOPTIONS

**Adopt a Dog.** Fridays, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at PetSmart, 12971 Fair Lakes Center, Fairfax. Visit [www.lostdogrescue.org](http://www.lostdogrescue.org) for more.

**Adopt a Dog.** Saturdays, 12-3 p.m. at Petco, 13053 Lee Jackson Highway. Visit [hart90.org](http://hart90.org) for more.

**Adopt a Dog.** Sundays, 1-4 p.m. at Petco, 13053 Lee Jackson Memorial Hwy. Adopt a puppy or dog. Visit [aforeverhome.org](http://aforeverhome.org) for more.

**Adopt a Dog.** Saturdays, 1-4 p.m. at PetSmart, 12971 Fair Lakes Center, Fairfax. Adopt a puppy or dog. Visit [www.lostdogrescue.org](http://www.lostdogrescue.org) for more.

## SUNDAY/MARCH 4

**Railroad Tools.** 1-4 p.m. at the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road, Fairfax Station. There will be demonstrations and hands on activities with tools once used to maintain railroads. 5-15, \$2; ages 16 and older, \$4. All craft supplies included with admission cost. Visit [www.fairfax-station.org](http://www.fairfax-station.org) or call 703-425-9225.

**Outdoor Kids at E.C. Lawrence.** 2 p.m. at Ellanor C. Lawrence Park, 5040 Walney Road, Chantilly. In this program, children ages 4-6 explore different habitats, trails, wild animals and wild places. Topics vary by month. \$6 in-county or \$8 out-of-county. Call 703-631-0013 or visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/eclawrence](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/eclawrence).

## WEDNESDAY/MARCH 7

**History Tots at E.C. Lawrence.** 9:45 and 11 a.m. at Ellanor C. Lawrence Park, 5040 Walney Road, Chantilly. In this program, youngsters ages 1-3 will explore history through sight, sound, taste and touch. Topics vary by month. \$6 in-county or \$8 out-of-county. Call 703-631-0013 or visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/eclawrence](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/eclawrence).

## SATURDAY/MARCH 10

**History Tots at E.C. Lawrence.** 10 a.m. at Ellanor C. Lawrence Park, 5040 Walney Road, Chantilly. In this program, youngsters ages 1-3 will explore history through sight, sound, taste and touch. Topics vary by month. \$6 in-county or \$8 out-of-county. Call 703-631-0013 or visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/eclawrence](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/eclawrence).

**Walking Tour.** 11 a.m.-noon at Ellanor C. Lawrence Park, 5040 Walney Road, Chantilly. From the 1700s to present day, women have played an important role in the history of Ellanor C. Lawrence Park and Fairfax County as a whole. Learn about their contributions on the Women of Walney Walking Tour. For participants age 6 to adult. \$6 per person. Call 703-631-0013 or visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/eclawrence](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/eclawrence).

**NVFS' Bowl-a-Thon.** 1-4 p.m. at Bowl America Manassas, 9000 Mathis Ave., Manassas. Join NVFS at Bowl America Manassas for an afternoon of bowling and fundraising that's perfect for the entire family. For information please visit [www.nvfs.org/events/bowl-a-thon/](http://www.nvfs.org/events/bowl-a-thon/). All Bowl-a-Thon proceeds benefit NVFS' #SERVECampus. Minimum of \$275 raised by each team. Call 571-748-2537 or visit [www.nvfs.org/events/bowl-a-thon/](http://www.nvfs.org/events/bowl-a-thon/).

## SUNDAY/MARCH 11

**Hands On Day.** 1-4 p.m. at the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road, Fairfax Station. have a Hands On Day with artifacts and models of railroad equipment. 5-15, \$2; ages 16 and older, \$4. All craft supplies included with admission cost. Visit [www.fairfax-station.org](http://www.fairfax-station.org) or call 703-425-9225.

## WEDNESDAY/MARCH 14

**Nature Tots at E.C. Lawrence.** 9:45 and 11 a.m. at Ellanor C. Lawrence Park, 5040 Walney Road, Chantilly. In this program, youngsters ages 1-3 a chance to explore the great outdoors. Topics vary by month. \$6 in-county or \$8 out-of-county. Call 703-631-0013 or visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/eclawrence](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/eclawrence).

## SUNDAY/MARCH 18

**NTRAK Scale Model Train Show.** 1-4 p.m. at the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road, Fairfax Station. The Northern Virginia NTRAK members will hold a N gauge model train show. Admission, Museum members and age 4 and under, free; ages 5-15, \$2 and 16 and older, \$4. Visit [www.fairfax-station.org](http://www.fairfax-station.org) or call 703-425-9225.

## SATURDAY/MARCH 19

**St. Patrick's Day / St. Joseph's Day Party.** 6-9:30 p.m. at St. Veronica's Church parish hall, 3460 Centreville Road, Chantilly. This is a family event that includes food, drink, sing-alongs, Irish dancers and plenty of smiling Irish eyes. Adults \$7, Children \$5, drinks extra. Visit [www.stveronica.net/](http://www.stveronica.net/) or 703-773-2000.

## TUESDAY/MARCH 20

**New Book Club.** 2:30-4 p.m. at Sully Senior Center, 14426 Albemarle Point Place, Chantilly. Book club for those 50 and older who love to read. Group will choose the first book at this meeting. Group will meet the 3rd Tuesday every month to discuss. Snacks and beverages provided. Free. Call 703-322-4475.

## SUNDAY/MARCH 25

**Spring Reading Circle.** 1-4 p.m. at the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road, Fairfax Station. The museum will feature a Spring Reading Circle and Activity Day. 5-15, \$2; ages 16 and older, \$4. Visit [www.fairfax-station.org](http://www.fairfax-station.org) or call 703-425-9225.



TELL US  
WHAT  
YOU  
THINK

SUBMIT YOUR LETTER TO THE EDITOR HERE  
[www.ConnectionNewspapers.com/contact/letter](http://www.ConnectionNewspapers.com/contact/letter)

## CENTREVILLE COMMUNITIES OF WORSHIP

**The Church of the Ascension**  
Traditional Anglican Catholic Services  
1928 Book of Common Prayer, 1940 Hymnal,  
and the King James Bible with Apocrypha  
Holy Communion 10 a.m. Sundays  
(with Church School and Nursery)



[www.ascension-acc.org](http://www.ascension-acc.org)

13941 Braddock Road  
Centreville VA 20120  
in the "Old Stone Church"  
of Historic Centreville

(703) 830-3176



To highlight  
your faith  
community,  
call  
Don  
at  
703-778-9420



**Centreville United  
Methodist Church**

*Making Disciples of Jesus Christ,  
We Worship, Grow and Serve Together*

### Sunday Worship Services

Traditional:  
8:15 AM  
9:30 AM  
11:00 AM

Contemporary:  
11:02 AM

Nursery, Children, Youth  
and Adult Sunday School  
at 9:30 and 11:00 AM

### Worshipping God - Serving Others

6400 Old Centreville Road, Centreville VA 20121  
[www.Centreville-UMC.org](http://www.Centreville-UMC.org) ~ 703-830-2684  
Corner of New Braddock and Route 28  
Christian Preschool for ages 2 1/2 to 6 years old: 571-522-1875



**The Church of the Ascension**  
(703) 830-3176 [www.ascension-acc.org](http://www.ascension-acc.org)

**Centreville Baptist Church**  
(703) 830-3333 [www.cbcva.org](http://www.cbcva.org)

**Centreville United  
Methodist Church**  
(703) 830-2684 [www.Centreville-UMC.org](http://www.Centreville-UMC.org)

**CENTREVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH**

*Life is better connected*

**WORSHIP SERVICES**  
Sundays at 9:15 am & 10:45 am

**COMMUNITY GROUPS**  
Sundays at 8:00, 9:15 & 10:45 am

15100 Lee Highway, Centreville, VA 20120  
703-830-3333 [www.cbcva.org](http://www.cbcva.org)