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Concrete Rooftop Cornices Crash Into A Popular Dining Area

Concrete decorative cornices weighing 3,000-5,000 pounds each crashed off the roof of a 3-story commercial building and into the exterior dining area of Sully's Pour House, a popular restaurant in Herndon. No one was in the area at the time.

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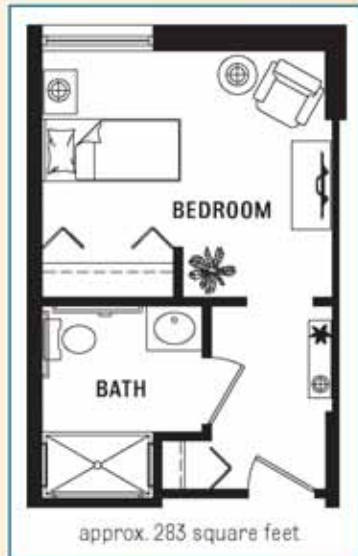
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Approximately 800 people attended the concert at Herndon High.

Raising Funds for Trip to Normandy

The Night of POPs Normandy Fundraiser Concert was held on June 3. The concert at Herndon High School was organized by HHS Alumni Jacob Reeves with 80 current and alumni musicians of the school performing for the evening. The event was kicked off by Del. Jennifer Boysko with approximately 800 people attending this event to raise funds to defray the cost of the HHS

Band's upcoming trip to Normandy, France. The Herndon High School Band is honored to be selected to represent the USA at the D-Day 75th Anniversary ceremonies in France. For those who would like to donate to offset the significant cost of the trip, please visit the band website <https://www.herndonband.org/normandy> for details.



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The solid concrete pieces, the size of jersey barriers weigh 3,000 to 5,000 pounds each, estimated the Fairfax County & Rescue Technical Rescue Operations Teams.



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The area on the right-hand side of the three-story commercial building at 754 Elden Street in Herndon shows where the concrete decorative cornices rested up until Saturday, June 9 when they fell for unknown reasons.

Concrete Cornices Crash Into a Popular Dining Area

As 3000-5000 pound decorative cornices fall off a 3-story commercial building no one was in the dining area at the time.

BY MERCIA HOBSON
THE CONNECTION

On Saturday, June 8, at approximately 4:30 p.m. multiple Fairfax County Fire and Rescue units were dispatched for a roof collapse at 754 Elden Street in the Town of Herndon.

A Technical Rescue Operations Team was also dispatched. Units arrived on the scene of the three-story commercial building with damage to the length of one side of the

roofline and its concrete decorative cornices, similar in size and look as jersey barriers, filling a long narrow outdoor dining space and pedestrian walkway.

The crews conducted a search of the area and the building for any occupants. No injuries were reported.

Fairfax County Fire & Rescue Department Battalion Chief, Michael A. Deli was on site. He said the Technical Rescue Team had arrived on scene and assessed the building. Asked what may have caused the cornices to fall from the building, Deli answered, "This is completely unprovoked. There was not a gas explosion. Nothing struck the building. They just fell off. It is a decorative cornice. Our guys estimate the pieces weigh 3,000 to 5,000 pounds each. They are solid concrete. No utilities are damaged."

Deli said that the Herndon Building Inspector was on his way. "We do not know how many more will continue to fall," he said. "We searched the upper floors, and no one was at work."

"This is the extent we can do," Deli said. "We're keeping people away and waiting for the building engineer to give us the next step." Looking toward the rubble and concrete, Deli said, "Herndon's angels were here." In interviews after the accident, eyewitnesses described hearing nothing before the collapse. Instead, they observed objects falling down the side of the building and then a loud crash.

Cassie Berman is the bartender at Sully's Pour House. The restaurant's exterior wall faces the beer garden where the decorative cornices crashed down. She was inside the restaurant at the time of the collapse as was fellow bartender, Jason Frederick. Berman described what happened.

"I was looking out the window pouring a beer when I saw a huge object fall outside into the patio area. Deafening sound; absolutely. Then a huge wall of sand and dust... I felt nothing beforehand."

Frederick reported that he and Berman were behind the bar conversing with a couple. "And then it was chaos. A cannon

sound. Concrete dust everywhere. My first thought was, why are a bunch of jersey walls stacked in our courtyard?" Frederick added: "The day before there were thirty people on the patio. I'm glad everybody is safe, and no one was outside then."

The commercial building houses many offices, each a condominium, said Jenna Kuhn, co-owner of Sully's Pour House. One of the companies on the upper floor is Edward Jones. On the ground floor are Sully's Pour House, Illusions Hair Salon, Herndon Nails and Spa and Soliloquy Bridal Salon. As of Tuesday morning, June 12, metal barricades surrounded the building.

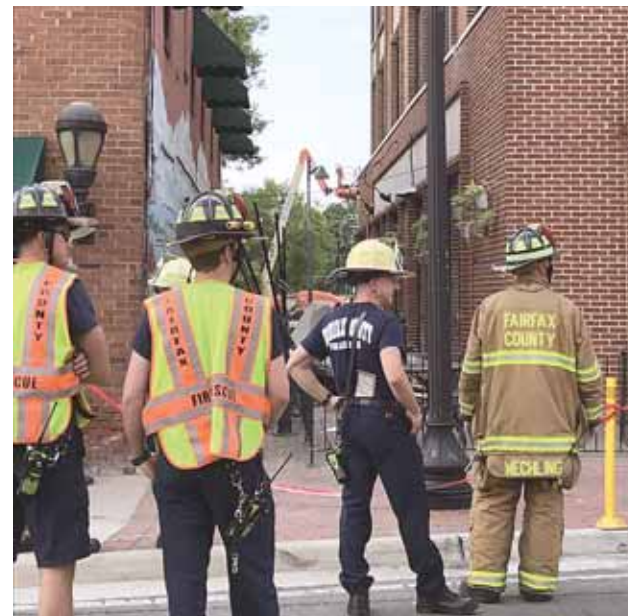
In a phone interview Sunday, June 11, Kuhn expressed gratitude to the units dispatched and that there were no injuries. "We are extremely thankful no one was injured," Kuhn said. "We are waiting for a structural engineer to deem if it is safe or not to enter." Asked how long she anticipates the building closed, Kuhn replied, "I'm hoping not long. We have the staff. This is their livelihood. This our livelihood."



"This is completely unprovoked. There was not a gas explosion. Nothing struck the building," said Fairfax County Fire & Rescue Department Battalion Chief Michael A. Deli.



The crew of Fairfax County Fire & Rescue determine no one was in the dining area at the time of the collapse.



OPINION

Medicaid Expansion Will Save Lives

Almost too many benefits to count that will help all Virginians, including economic stimulus.

The benefits are huge. The Virginia General Assembly, finally motivated by the huge change in the House of Delegates wrought by energized voters last November, passed a budget that included expanding Medicaid under the Affordable Care Act.

A celebratory press release goes out any time 10 or more jobs come to any place in Virginia. But estimates are that finally accepting the available federal money to expand Medicaid under the Affordable Care Act could stimulate the creation of 30,000 jobs.

Just including the expansion in the budget made hundreds of millions of extra dollars available for other priorities.

It will make all of us who live and work in Virginia healthier via “herd immunity.” Ensuring that our fellow residents have access to healthcare, to medications to treat contagious illnesses, to vaccinations, to preventive and acute care protects all of us. We don’t want the people who shop with us, ride with us on the Metro or wait in line at motor vehicles to be sick without a reasonable way to be treated. We want the people around us to be healthy. It makes everyone healthier.

In Northern Virginia, tens of thousands of people who are living without health insurance

will be eligible. Hundreds of thousands of people across the state will gain access.

Virginia has bypassed about \$10 billion by not having expanded Medicaid since it was possible. It’s not perfect, but now it is done.

“Health care is not a privilege: It is a right,” said state Sen. Dick Saslaw, highlighting the importance. “A lot of us here have had a lot of breaks in our lives, but there are many others out there who do not get these breaks. They work hard, but for one reason or another things don’t turn out right for them. These people need our help, and we have done that.”

EDITORIAL

Other perspectives on the benefits: “As a mother of an Autistic child, I know just how important Medicaid is for many things here in Virginia. Medicaid helps fund not just our schools but also our Special Education programs here in Virginia,” said Monica Hutchinson, organizer for New Virginia Majority. “This expansion will have a ripple effect. Not only will hundreds of thousands of Virginians receive the care they deserve, but our schools will also receive extra money in their annual budgets.”

“Now, nearly 400,000 Virginians can see a doctor without fear of financial ruin,” Del. Kathy Tran said. “Last election, voters made it clear that increasing access to healthcare is the top issue for our Commonwealth.”

“As fewer and fewer people have employer-paid health coverage for themselves, much less their families, elections have consequences that can mean the difference between life and death,” said Jaime Contreras, a vice president at 32BJ SEIU.

“The budget’s inclusion of a bipartisan compromise plan to drawdown available federal funds to help hundreds of thousands of hard-working, uninsured Virginians gain health care coverage will promote public health improvements, job growth, economic vitality, and strengthen our health delivery system,” said Virginia Hospital & Healthcare Association President and CEO Sean T. Connaughton.

“We are especially thrilled that some 7,000 Arlingtonians now will have healthcare coverage — this legislative action will improve outcomes for their health and welfare, strengthen our workforce, and help our community and the Commonwealth,” said Katie Cristol, Arlington County Board chair.

AARP Virginia State Director Jim Dau said the bipartisan effort increases access to health care for 400,000 Virginians, including 95,000 people over 50 who are not yet eligible for Medicare.

“We have been fighting to expand Medicaid for years and I’m so proud to have been a part of the team that finally got it done. This achievement will dramatically improve the lives of real people in communities across the Commonwealth, including over 5,600 people in the 49th district,” said Del. Alfonso Lopez (D-49)

LETTERS

What About Park Service?

To the Editor:

So there is an argument between those who operate Claude Moore Colonial Farm and the National Park Service. Most of us understand what the operators want, but no one, including The Connection, has said what the Park Service wants or its view of how the park should be operated.

Betty Stacey
McLean

Pride of Being Americans

To the Editor:

I recently spent 6 days in Arlington Hospital. I talked to staff members from at least 14 countries, including Bangladesh and Somalia. Each took pride in his or her job and in the hospital team. Most noticeable was the pride all had in being Americans. These are the new citizens who will continue to make America the greatest country in the world.

Jack K Tarr
McLean

Taking the Summer Off

BY KENNETH R. “KEN” PLUM
STATE DELEGATE (D-36)

As a teacher for a few years I was often chided by friends as having a “cushy” job getting all summer off from work. Other teachers get the same reaction from those who know little about the profession and certainly have no experience being in the classroom.

In many jobs if you are having an off day, not feeling well, or just need a break it is possible to let some of the requirements of work slide until the next day. Not so with teaching: every day in the classroom you have to be on—ready to face eager students and the challenges and opportunities they present. I continue to be impressed by teachers who can be enthusiastic and understanding early in the morning through afternoon five days a week from fall through spring. That’s why that summer break is so important. And furthermore, you need the summer to take that additional course or workshop for updating your credentials, work that second or third job to balance the family budget, or recharge your mental and emotional batteries. For anyone with a different opinion about the challenges teachers face, visit some classrooms or better still teach for a while or substitute. You will soon learn why teachers are among the people I most admire.

My current “job” of being a legislator may get the same reaction from some who are not aware that the regular session of a couple of months of time



spent in the State Capitol is just part of the job. Members of the General Assembly are considered citizen legislators with other responsibilities and are paid as part-time workers. Actually, the position can take as much time as a legislator can devote to it and the voters are willing to tolerate. Having retired from my full-time job in 1996 I happily devote full time to my legislative duties.

Every two years I have to reapply to voters to keep my job, and with a two-year term some time every other year is devoted to campaigning.

During every year there are study committees and commissions that meet when the legislature is not in session. This week I participated in a meeting of the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission (JLARC) of which I am a member. We provide oversight to the operation of state government including financial and management audit, reviews of the performance of state agencies and conducting studies on topics as requested by the legislature. I also serve on the Joint Commission on Technology and Science (JCOTS) that has meetings in the interim to consider future legislation and emerging science and technology issues. There are many other groups that work between legislative sessions.

Having a break for the summer from going to work as a teacher, legislator or other worker does not mean you are not working. We all need some mini-vacation times of long weekends or a real vacation to recharge our mental batteries. We can do a better job as a result.

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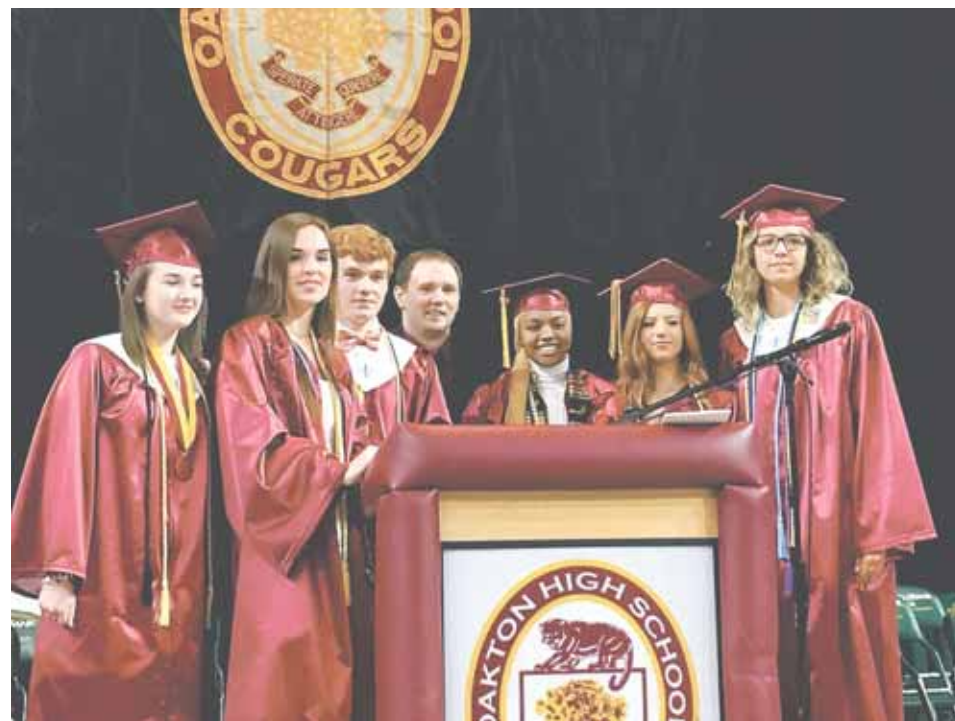
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Students of the Oakton High School Class of 2018 gather on the steps outside George Mason University EagleBank Arena before their Commencement Exercises on June 8.

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From left, Seniors Mary Catherine Pollin, Caitlin Carlton, Jarek Campbell, Tagwa Shammeth, Summer Hogan, and Amanda Good are joined by teacher Brandon McCulla (center) before Graduation 2018, Oakton High School Fiftieth Commencement Exercises held June 8 at George Mason University EagleBank Arena.

Oakton Holds 50th Commencement

Class of 2018 says goodbye to the burgundy and gold.

BY MERCIA HOBSON
THE CONNECTION

Oakton High School celebrated their graduating Class of 2018 as it has done for the 49 graduating classes before it, with tradition, pride and words of encouragement. At the George Mason University EagleBank Arena on the morning of Friday, June 8, the Oakton High School Band began to play “Pomp and Circumstance,” signifying the start of the school’s Fiftieth Commencement Exercises.

Family and friends rose from their stadium seats to honor the school’s Class of 2018 as they entered for their graduation ceremony. While family and friends scanned the incoming procession searching for their special loved ones now lost in a sea of burgundy gowns and caps, when they spotted them at last, many happily shouted out the students’ names and waved vigorously.

Parker Waters, President of the Class of 2018 and Summer Hogan, Student Government Executive Officer officially opened the graduation ceremony with the welcome address. Waters spoke about how so many people, family, teachers, counselors, and more had prepared the graduating class for this day.

“Thank you for dealing with us and helping us get to this point,” Waters said. “Celebrate this important day. Reflect on the memories...Feel proud,” added Hogan.

Next, Tagwa Shammeth and Orah Smith introduced Jamie S. Lane, the new Princi-



Ishika Jain, 18 of Oakton, helps Lindsey Katsaros, 18 of Oak Hill, make a final gown adjustment before the Graduation 2018 Oakton High School Ceremony on June 8.

pal of Oakton High School.

Moving to the podium, Lane announced the recipient of the 2018 Faculty Award, Shannen Kelly Prindle, noting her achievements as a scholar and a student who selflessly served the community and possessed great character and integrity.

Jarek Campbell was the Reflections Speaker. He told how time does not stand still, and change is inevitable. “We can’t control it, stop it, or speed it up.” Speaking altruistically and describing how the Class of 2018 had matured over the last four years, Campbell said, “In March, we became part of something bigger than ourselves during our School Walkout,” (referencing the National School Walkout in a call on to pass stricter gun control laws). Campbell cautioned not to let change happen, but make it happen. “With so much opportu-



Graduates Orah Smith, 17 of Fairfax, and Tagwa Shammeth, 17 of Fairfax, introduce Jamie S. Lane, Principal of Oakton High School at Graduation 2018 Oakton High School Fiftieth Commencement Exercises.

nity for our generation — for our class of 2018 — together, we will make a change.”

Gabriel Jarred, Executive Officer Class of 2018, announced the Class of 2018’s gift, a new school banner and new microwaves for student use.

Daniel Meier former Interim Principal served as the guest speaker at the graduation ceremony. Counseling the graduating class, Meier challenged them to do something they love; be positive; and care for others. “The worst feeling is to get up to do something you hate. ... Be positive; you will have struggles ... Take care of people; take care of each other ... and [later in life] when



Jarek Campbell, 18, of Oakton, delivers the Reflections during the Graduation 2018 Oakton High School Ceremonies at George Mason University EagleBank Arena.

you realize a faculty member made a difference in your life, let them know.”

REACHED FOR COMMENT after the ceremony, Jamie S. Lane Principal Oakton High School wrote these words and shared them in an online interview: “Congratulations to each member of the 2018 graduating class and their families. I am truly thankful to have the chance to be part of both the present and the future at Oakton High School. To our graduates, I would encourage you to follow your passion and continue to believe in yourselves. You have already made a positive difference in our community and among your peers. The future is an amazing place...”

Preparing Home for Summer

From finding spaces for wet swimsuits and school papers to adding new throw pillows, small touches can add a warm-weather feel.

PHOTOS COURTESY OF ANNIE ELLIOTT INTERIORS.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL

When school ends and summer begins, a home's functionality can change. From backpacks overflowing with a school year's worth of school papers and art projects that need a home to bedrooms that call for a warm weather refresh, local designers suggest small tweaks to interior spaces that can yield a big impact.

From breezy white sheets to beach-themed accessories, summer calls for a lightening up of home decor, advises interior designer Anne Madden of Mount Vernon. "I always encourage clients to refresh their home decor during warmer months," she said. "Remove heavy bed linens that were meant to keep you cozy and replace them with light and airy linens in neutral or cool colors. This is also a good time to swap out throw pillows made from heavy fabrics like wool and incorporate pillows made from lighter fabrics like linen into your home's design."

In addition to changing bedroom accessories, summer is also good time to breathe new life into bathroom decor. "Take an inventory of your linen closet and replace towels that are worn and frayed with thick, fluffy ones," said Madden. "Make sure your shower curtain and liner are fresh and free of mildew. If they aren't, replace those too."

Corralling pool necessities into a designated space is a key to maintaining an organized home during the summer, advises professional organizer Susan Unger of Clutter SOS. "When preparing to head to the pool with your children, it's a real time saver to have an area in the laundry room, entry or garage where all the necessary items are kept and they don't need to be gathered up each time," she said. "Keep a beach bag loaded with sunscreen, towels, snacks, toys and clothes. Perhaps each child could even have their own beach bag. Have a designated area in your home for wet towels and suits to be hung up to dry when returning home."

Create a space that is dedicated to summer crafts in a way that doesn't overtake a home's aesthetic, suggests Unger. "Having a

"Have a designated area in your home for wet towels and suits to be hung up to dry when returning home."

— Susan Unger, Clutter SOS

separate crafts table for children is great or if space is an issue covering the kitchen table with a plastic tablecloth will work also," she said. "It also helpful to have a separate cart with plastic drawers or a small shelving unit with plastic bins to house craft items. I like plastic because it is washable."

Each drawer or bin can house items like paint, marker, crayons, coloring books or construction paper, continued Unger. "Put a printed label on each drawer or bin," she said. "I like to add a picture of the item as well which encourages younger children to start developing reading skills. They are then also able to match the item to the container when it comes to putting away the supplies. It is never too early to encourage cleaning after themselves."

The beginning of summer is a great time to sort through school papers and art projects collected thought out the year, says Unger. "As the parent, it will make it easier for your child if you do a presort and get rid of all the schedules, notices and worksheets before involving your child in the process," she said. "Then you both can decide on the special items to keep. I like to use a plastic file bin for each child and put each year's items in a hanging file with the grade on the file tab. This also creates a limited amount of space for the selected items to keep."

If you haven't already done so, schedule a maintenance service appointment for your HVAC system, suggests Maden. "It's better to spend the money now to make sure it's in good working order than to wait until breaks down during a heatwave and be at the mercy of overbooked repair companies," she said.



Adding new towels and shower curtain in light and airy colors, like those in the bathroom by Annie Elliott Interiors, can add a touch of summer to a bathroom.



Adding throw pillows in light, airy colors like the one in the room by Annie Elliott Interiors, can make a space appear ready for summer.

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The Next Theatrical Generation Takes the Stage

The 19th Annual 2018 Cappies Award Gala honors area high school talent.

BY ANDREA WORKER
THE CONNECTION

While the current crop of Broadway luminaries were receiving their Tony awards in New York on Sunday, June 10, the next generation of theatrical stars were being equally feted — and showcasing their many talents — at the 19th Annual Cappies Awards Gala in the Concert Hall at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

“Lead Players” Erich DeCinzo, Phil Reid, and Diane Poirier, together with hosts — and Cappies Governing Board members — Judy Bowns and Janie Strauss kept things moving along with abundant witty repartee throughout the three-hour event. With musical numbers and dramatic scenes performed by cast members from some of the Cappies nominated shows, audience enthusiasm never waned, from the opening number “Come On, Get Cappies,” (sung to the tune of “Get Happy,” written by Harold Arlen and Ted Koehler, and adapted by Judy Garland as one of her signature songs) to the show-stopping finale, featuring a number composed by long-time Cappies musical director, Chris Johnston, who teaches musical composition at the Fairfax Academy for Communications and the Arts, when not conducting the Annandale Northern Virginia Community College Symphony Orchestra.

AWARDS were presented in 39 categories, ranging from actors/actresses in lead and supporting roles in plays and musicals, vocalists, costumes, choreography, orchestra, technical arts such as Lighting, Sets and Sounds and many more.

The Duke Ellington School of the Arts in the District took home the prizes for Best Play (“The Rimers of Eldritch”) and for Best Actor and Actress in that production, but there were plenty of students and performances from Northern Virginia, from Alexandria to Leesburg, that won the votes of the 436 student critics who had reviewed five or more shows to become eligible Cappies Awards voters.

Kyle Dalsimer from Annandale High School was named best in the Lead Actor in a Musical category for his performance in “The Hunchback of Notre Dame.”

The Oakton HS “Titanic Band” was tops in Orchestra.

Olympia Hatzilambrou must have wowed as the Female Vocalist in Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology’s “Mary Poppins.”

John Henry Stamper from Westfield High School in Chantilly took the top Male Vocalist honors as the “Phantom of the Op-



Mely Megahead from South Lakes High School scored for Supporting Actress in a Musical, for her role in “The Phantom of the Opera.”



That “Titanic” production must have been something. From left, JD Mayer and Diego Maldonado took home the Special Effects and/or Technology Award.



The Orchestra Award went to the “Titanic Band” of Oakton High School. From left, Peter Guevara, Courtney Tern, Patrick Lee and Jack Yagerline.

era.”

And the award for Musical of the Year went to Robinson Secondary School for their production of “Monty Python’s Spamlot.” The audience was treated to the song “Knights of the Round Table” by the Robinson crew early in the program.

THE LIST of talented young winners in the region goes on — and can be found on the Cappies website www.cappies.com/nca.

The Cappies were established in the wake of the Columbine High School massacre in 1997. The vision of the late William Strauss, co-founder of the Capitol Steps political satire review, and brought to life with his partnership with Judy Bowns, the Cappies began as an effort to “bring positive atten-

tion to teenagers engaged in creative pursuits.”

Their mission has expanded to include opportunities for constructive critical feedback for the theatrical activities of those youth, to honor the advisors, mentors, and teachers, as well as the students, and to provide a truly unique collaborative learning experience for high school theatre students.

The nonprofit organization has also expanded outside of the immediate area in those nineteen years, adding nine chapters around the country, and an additional three in Canada.

The telecast of the 2018 Cappies Gala can be viewed online beginning on Saturday, June 16 at www.fcps.edu/tv.

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WINNERS

Category, Winner, Show Name, School Name
Andy Mays Rising Critic, Sarah Bourgeois, Westfield High School
Maryland Theatre Guide Returning Critic, Katherine Kelly, McLean High School
Special Effects and or Technology, Jack Griggs, Diego Maldonado, JD Mayer, Titanic, Oakton High School
Sound, Victoria de Dios & Emma Clark, Dogfight, West Potomac High School
Props, Lily Shirley, The Odd Couple, H-B Woodlawn Secondary Program
Lighting, Kayla Claussen, Jessica Steadman, and WPHS Lighting team, Dogfight, West Potomac High School
Orchestra, The Titanic Band, Titanic, Oakton High School
Choreography Kristen Waagner, Ashley Winegarden, 9 to 5 the Musical, McLean High School
Ensemble in a Musical, Jarheads, Dogfight, West Potomac High School
Female Vocalist, Olympia Hatzilambrou, Mary Poppins, Thomas Jefferson High School for Sci/Tech
Male Vocalist, John Henry Stamper, The Phantom of the Opera, Westfield High School
Comic Actress in a Play, Annie Silva, Pride and Prejudice, Chantilly High School
Comic Actress in a Musical, Abby Comey, 9 to 5 the Musical, McLean High School
Comic Actor in a Musical, Xavier Molina, The Drowsy Chaperone, Wakefield High School
Supporting Actress in a Musical, Mely Megahed, Phantom, South Lakes High School
Supporting Actor in a Musical, Nico Ochoa, Monty Python’s Spamlot, Robinson Secondary School
Lead Actor in a Musical, Kyle Dalsimer, The Hunchback of Notre Dame, Annandale High School
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ONGOING

Photography Exhibit “Liquid Beauty.” Through June 25, 9 a.m.-8 p.m. at the JoAnne Rose Gallery, Reston Community Center at Lake Anne, 1609-A Washington Plaza, Reston. The Reston Photographic Society, a special interest group of the League of Reston Artists, invited photographers to enter their work in the “RPS at Lake Anne” show. Free and open to the public. Visit www.leagueofrestonartists.org for more.

Twitterpated: Animated Adoration at ArtInsights. Through June 30 at ArtInsights, 11921 Freedom Drive, Reston. ArtInsights celebrates Devoted Couples of Disney, with images of Lady and Tramp, Pongo and Perdita, Mickey and Minnie, Thumper and Miss Bunny, Belle and The Beast, and more, including new releases by official Disney concept and production artists. Call 703-478-0778 or visit artinsights.com.

Art Exhibit – Mike Cloud: Figure Studies. Through July 7, Tuesday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. at GRACE, 12001 Market St., Suite 103, Reston. Mike Cloud: Figure Studies presents a selection of works by Brooklyn-based artist Mike Cloud (b. 1974, Chicago) that consider language, symbolism, metaphor, history, and identity through the examination of the figure. Based around a single monumental painting, Cycle and Stable (2015), the exhibition includes the artist’s series of collages based on the work of photographer Annie Leibovitz and new paintings. Call 703-471-9242 or visit restonarts.org.

Art Exhibit: Paris Parks. Through July 14 at ArtSpace Herndon, 750 Center St., Herndon. In his exhibit, Michael Kolster, is partly inspired by the work of Eugene Atget, he photographed in four Parisian Parks: St. Cloud, Parc de Sceaux, Montsouris, and Bois de Boulogne. A reception takes place June 16, 7-9 p.m. Visit www.artspaceherndon.org or call 703-956-6590.

Reston Concerts on the Town. 7:30-10 p.m. Saturdays, June through August. At Reston Town Center Pavilion, 11900 Market St., Reston. Music genres from around the nation are performed by live bands each week. Bring lawn chairs or picnic blankets for seating. Free. Rain or shine. Alcohol permitted at restaurants only. Visit www.restontowncenter.com/concerts.

Muscle Up Mondays. 6:30 p.m. Meets Mondays, May through October, at Pavilion at Reston Town Center, 11900 Market St., Reston. Free fitness classes presented by CRUNCH Fitness-Reston group instructors. (No class on Memorial Day, May 28.) Call 571-267-5000 or visit crunchreston.com Facebook.com/ CrunchReston.

Mr. Knick Knack! 10:30-11:15 a.m. May through October. At Reston Town Center Pavilion. Free performances of heart-centered music for children. No performances on Memorial Day, Labor Day, or Columbus Day. Visit www.restontowncenter.com/events.

Reston Farmers Market. Open Saturdays, through Dec. 1, 8 a.m.-noon at 1609 Washington Plaza N., Reston. Fairfax County Park Authority markets are strictly producer-only meaning that vendors must grow or make from scratch everything they bring to market. Call 703-642-0128 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets.



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Folk Music Concert

Martin Grosswendt and Susanne Salem-Schatz perform. Members, \$10; non-members, \$11 at the door or email DAHurdSr@cs.com. Tuesday, June 19, 7:15 p.m. at Amphora’s Diner Deluxe, 1151 Elden St., Herndon. Visit www.restonherndonfolkclub.com for more.

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 13

Wednesday Morning Book Club.

10:30 a.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. This month’s title is “The Light between Oceans” by M.L. Stedman. Adults. Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

Jigsaw Puzzle and Lunch. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Reston Association Headquarters, 12001 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston. Reston Association’s Puzzle Day is an opportunity to challenge oneself with jigsaw puzzles made from beautiful, themed photos of Reston, either 500 and 750 pieces. Work individually or as a member of a team to complete the puzzle in the time allotted. Enjoy coffee and conversation, lunch will be provided. RA members, \$14; non-members, \$17. Visit www.reston.org/.

Color Me Happy. 7 p.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Relax, unwind, and color your cares away in our adult coloring session. Coloring pages, pens and pencils provided, or bring some along. Adults. Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

THURSDAY/JUNE 14

Trip to Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races.

3-11 p.m. Buses depart at 3 p.m. at Hunters Woods Shopping Center (Ledo Pizza); 3:15 p.m. at Lake Anne Plaza parking lot. An evening at the race track to enjoy live thoroughbred horse racing, play the table games including blackjack and poker or have a nice dinner overlooking the horses. Participants will receive \$20 worth of slot play upon arrival. RA members, \$34; non-members, \$40. Visit www.reston.org/ for more.

FRIDAY/JUNE 15

Read for Fun. Fairfax County Public Library helps make reading fun by providing tools, access and incentives during its Summer Reading Adventure. The Summer Reading Adventure runs June 15-Sept. 1 and invites all children and teens – birth through high school – to read for fun over the summer. The theme in 2018 is “Reading Takes You Everywhere.” Visit research.fairfaxcounty.gov/summer-reading for more.

Family Yoga. 10:30 a.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Enjoy playful

yoga, stories and songs along with actively walking children. No experience needed. Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

Jazz: Accidental Red. 7-10 p.m. at Cafe Montmartre. 1625 Washington Plaza, Reston. Accidental Red performs jazz standards, show tunes, modern jazz, soul, pop, and blues from the ’30s to today. \$10. Call 703-967-1348 or visit www.accidentalred.com for more.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY/JUNE 15-16

Taste of Reston. Friday, 3-11 p.m.; Saturday, noon-11 p.m. at Reston Town Center, 11900 Market St., Reston. Northern Virginia’s largest outdoor spring festival to feature nearly 30 restaurants, Craft Beer Lounge, YMCA Family Fun Zone, cooking demos and live entertainment. Taste of Reston event admission and parking are free. Food tickets are \$1 per ticket or \$20 for 24 tickets. The Family Carnival is back at Lake Fairfax with carnival rides, games and food Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Saturday there will be a free shuttle from Taste to the Carnival and back again throughout the day. Get tickets at www.RestonTaste.com.

SATURDAY/JUNE 16

Bike to Market Week. 8 a.m.-noon at Lake Anne Village Center, Reston 1609 Washington Plaza N., Reston. The Fairfax County Farmers Markets will be celebrating Bike to Market Week at select locations in collaboration with the Fairfax County Department of Transportation. Bring family and friends along and receive a free bike map and giveaways. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets or call 703-642-0128.

Mercier School of Dance. 11 a.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Join a presentation of ballet, creative movement and Scottish Highlands Dance. Age 4-12 with adult. No registration required. Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

Birds: Friends of a Feather. 2 p.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Join Miss Emily, Mrs. Wines and Busia Bear as they salute our feathered friends in story and song. All ages. No registration required. Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

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2018 Light Festival. 7-10 p.m. ArtSpace Herndon and Historic Downtown Herndon will be illuminated with fun, innovative, and interactive Light Art. Free and open to the public. Visit www.artspaceherndon.org for more.

SUNDAY/JUNE 17

Yoga Festival. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at Reston Town Center, 11900 Market St., Reston. Yoga studios and wellness centers of Northern Virginia will offer classes, services, and share information at Love Your Body Yoga Festival. Free activities and entertainment for the whole family including live music, complimentary Yoga classes, Energy Healing demonstrations, healthy food and drink samples. Also featured are soothing therapies such as Reiki, chiropractic, and massage. Donations for participation in specific classes will benefit Southgate Community Center. Visit www.loveyourbodyyogafestival.com.

MONDAY/JUNE 18

Baby Steps Story Time. 10:30 a.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. An interactive storytime for parent/guardian and child. Age 12-23 months with adult. No registration required. Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

Reston Kids Pick - Favorite Illustrators. 4 p.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Bring a library book with pictures by a favorite artist and add it to the display. Vote for favorites. Winners announced at a later date. Age 5-12. No registration required. Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

TUESDAY/JUNE 19

W.A.T.E.R. Safety Presentation. 10:30 a.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Learn the basics of water safety presented by the Goldfish Swim School. Age 3-5 with adult. Register at librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

KUUMBA Kids. 2:30 p.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Enjoy African dance, drumming, storytelling and puppets. Cosponsored by FRRL. All ages. No registration required. Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

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WEDNESDAY/JUNE 20

Nose To Toes Yoga. 10:30 a.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Explore yoga movement while enjoying books and songs. Bring a towel or yoga mat. Register beginning June 6. Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

THURSDAY/JUNE 21

Bike to Market Week. 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Old Town Herndon, 765 Lynn St., Herndon. The Fairfax County Farmers Markets will be celebrating Bike to Market Week at select locations in collaboration with the Fairfax County Department of Transportation. Bring family and friends along and receive a free bike map and giveaways. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets or call 703-642-0128.

Geronimo Stilton Book Club. 2 p.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Read: “Surf’s Up, Geronimo!” Age 8-10. Registration now open. Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

Third Thursday Arts Crawl Series. 5-6 p.m. Chalk the Town; 6-9 p.m. Percussion Works, Live Music, Elden Street Tea, NWFCU, HCTV, Art for Sale, Kid’s Hands on Art and more. During this monthly event, local and regional artists, artisans, performers, musicians and the public engage in and experience the arts. Start at ArtSpace Herndon, The Green Lizard, Jimmy’s Old Town Tavern, Elden Street Tea or the Herndon Town Hall Plaza. Visit www.artspaceherndon.org or call 703-956-6590.

Spice Up Your Life. 7 p.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Herbs and spices are a simple way to add flavor, fragrance, and nutrition. Learn about the health benefits of common culinary spices. This seminar includes an interactive tasting experience that will awaken the senses. Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

FRIDAY/JUNE 22

Make It Move: Elec. Vehicle Invention Lab. 2 p.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Engineer electric moving machines that roll using a motor, battery and cool craft materials. All vehicles go home with builders. Age 6-12. Registration now open. Call 703-689-2700 or visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov.

SATURDAY/JUNE 23

The Nicolo Whimsey Show. 10:30 a.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Enjoy juggling, music poetry and storytelling. Cosponsored by FRRL. Age 4-12 with adult. No registration required. Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

Fantastic Films at Reston: Beach Party. 2 p.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. It’s Summer! Time to head to the beach (movie)! Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

Wine Tasting. 3:30-5 p.m. at The Lake House, 11450 Baron Cameron Ave., Reston. Enjoy an evening of wine tasting at Reston’s Lake House. Sample red and white wines along with a variety of meats, cheeses and crackers while overlooking Lake Newport. Bring a friend or meet a new one. Co-sponsored by Tall Oaks Assisted Living. Ages 21 and older. \$20, RA members; \$28, non-members. Visit www.reston.org.

Concerts on the Town: Chuck Redd’s Jazz Party. 7:30-10 p.m. (rain or shine) at Reston Town Center. These family-friendly concerts include a wide range of musical styles including Motown, swing, blues, jazz, Latin fusion, Celtic, bluegrass and zydeco and take place every Saturday night through Aug. 25. Free. Visit www.restontowncenter.com.

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FATHER'S DAY PHOTOS

'The Best Thing' in Dad's Life

For Father's Day 2018, Ollie Gallardo of Herndon knows he is one lucky man as the dad of three daughters, Avalon, 11, Fiona, 7, and Lillian, 4. Gallardo says, "Watching them grow up as little people is the best thing in my life. I love being a dad!" Gallardo is frequently seen in downtown Herndon taking his girls out on their scooters and even bringing Bane, the family dog along for the fun.



PHOTO BY MERICA HOSON/THE CONNECTION



Participating in their favorite pastime, Mike Cerney of Oak Hill is reading to his son, Chase (1 ½ years old) at Lolly and Pop's (grandparent's) house in Franklin Oaks, Oak Hill on June 1, 2018.



Kathleen Kinsolving of Herndon sends a photo of her 90-year-old father Les Kinsolving standing next to his grandfather's grave at the Virginia Theological Seminary cemetery in Alexandria. Lucien Lee Kinsolving was a missionary bishop who brought the the Episcopal Church to Brazil. The photo was taken on Sept. 19, 2017.

Jon Ragland of Reston and his daughter Stephanie. The photo was taken at Lightfoot restaurant in Leesburg, May 2018



BULLETIN

Submit civic/community announcements at ConnectionNewspapers.com/Calendar. Photos and artwork welcome. Deadline is Thursday at noon, at least two weeks before event.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Child turning 5 years old by Sept.30? If so, contact your child's school to make arrangements for kindergarten enrollment. Most schools begin getting information together now for parents of incoming kindergartners, and many host an orientation or open house. All kindergarten programs are full-day and located in FCPS elementary schools. Check your school's webpage or contact the school directly for specific enrollment information and dates of orientation or visit www.fcps.edu/registration/kinder-garten-registration.

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 13

Business Education Series. 8:30-10 a.m. at Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce, 1886 Metro Center Drive, Suite 230, Reston. Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce presents "Branding and Marketing are Not the Same, and It Matters." Jen Dalton, owner of BrandMirror, will discuss steps in the branding process and what it means to an organization. Free, members; \$15, non-members/guests. Visit www.restonchamber.org.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY/JUNE 15-16

Volunteers Needed. Taste of Reston is hoping to fill 300+ volunteer positions for this annual two day event. Network, team build, give back to the community and just have fun volunteering. Volunteers must be at least 18 years old. Garage parking will be free all day Friday and Saturday. Opportunities for teams or individual volunteers. Earn t-shirts and taste tickets. Each volunteer serving alcohol or checking IDs must attend a mandatory alcohol service training. Sign up for the training at www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d49afa82eabff2-taste. Call 703-707-9045 or visit RestonChamber.org for more.

SATURDAY/JUNE 16

FCCPTA Leadership Training Summit. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology, 6560 Braddock Road, Alexandria.

The Spring 2018 PTA Leadership Training Summit will provide training and leadership development for PTA officers, committee chairs and leaders in preparation for the 2018-19 school year. Visit www.fccpta.org.

SATURDAY/JUNE 23

Women's Summit 2018. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at Hyatt Regency Dulles, 2300 Dulles Corner Blvd., Herndon. Network NoVA presents their second Women's Summit to continue the grassroots momentum of building coalitions across the state to flip Virginia's Congressional delegation blue in November.

This weekend event for women and men will feature speakers, workshops, an advocacy fair, congressional row, and most importantly, network opportunities. \$65. Visit networknova.org for more.

MONDAY/JUNE 25

Narfe Dulles Chapter 1241 Luncheon Program. 11:30 a.m. at Amphora Diner, 1151 Elden St., Herndon. Speakers are U.S. Rep. Barbara Comstock (R-10) and Jeff Dove, Republican candidate for 11th District. The cost of the luncheon is \$18 which includes tax and a small gratuity.

Call your reservation and choice of entree to Shirley at 571-442-8910 no later than Thursday, June 21.

Future of Retail-Non-Office Building Repurposing. 7 p.m. at Fairfax County Government Center, Conference Rooms 9/10, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. A public informational meeting on Plan Amendment 2017-CW-6CP - Non-Office Building Repurposing.

The meeting provides an opportunity to learn how retail markets are changing and discuss how alternative uses may be used to fill existing retail spaces. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planning-zoning/plan-amendments/non-office-building-repurposing or contact Michael Lyskey, DPZ, at 703-324-1204.

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Trying to Mind My Weekly Business



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Usually I'm able to write my column because something is on my mind, or at least percolating in there somewhere. At the moment, nothing is on my mind or even remotely percolating. The reason for this lack of percolation is that as of Saturday, eight days after my last chemotherapy infusion, I still haven't been able to think clearly in my mind – or out of it, because I've spent the past week wallowing in it.

The post-chemotherapy experience to which I vaguely refer is the primary side effect of the drug with which I am infused. For the week or so following my treatment, I am not quite myself (nor am I anybody else for that matter). I am dull and void.

I am not interested in most tasks and less inclined to concern myself with trivialities and/or any responsibilities related or not. I am simply biding time, usually lying on the bed, fully dressed but minimally engaged. Sights and sounds don't bother me but neither do they motivate me in the slightest.

I am not exactly a shell of my former self, but the chemotherapy has definitely hollowed out a place for itself. Eating and drinking is very challenging. Consequently, I have difficulty swallowing the 60-odd pills that I take every day. If I'm not careful I will become less medicated and more constipated. As a direct result, I will sleep throughout the day – and night. Furthermore, I risk becoming dehydrated and vitamin and nutrient deficient.

Let me be clear: this column is not about me dying, or the feelings that I have during this post-chemotherapy "weak" thinking that I am. Hardly. It's more an attempt to explain – and perhaps justify, the minimal creative thinking I've engaged in this past week preparing to write this column. It reminds me of a particular Seinfeld episode when George explained to Jerry why he was unable to lie his way out of dinner with J. Peterman: "I dug down and there was nothing there."

All of the previous paragraphs being written, compared to myriad complications I could be experiencing – and am not, as well as the premature death "prognosed" by my oncologist: "13 months to two years" back in late February 2009, I am quite the opposite of a victim of my circumstances. I am a survivor. Nine-plus years. Though still an active patient and one never characterized as a N.E.D. ("no evidence of disease"), I continue to look forward not backward. My life is ahead of me, not behind. To invoke an old reference: "It beats Bermuda off-season."

When "Team Lourie" asked my oncologist back in early '09 if I could possibly live beyond my prognosis, he was not particularly encouraging. I remember him saying: "Could you be the one? Sure." ("One" being the operative word.)

And in the context of all that he was explaining/outlining, hardly was it offered up with any enthusiasm. It was more a verbal life preserver (no pun intended). Something for us to grasp as we continued to discuss and then ultimately decided to begin chemotherapy infusions six days later on the following Wednesday.

And here I still am, June 9, 2018, "Chronic Ken," as I've previously "monikered" myself.

I'm living proof of one of the recent goals of lung cancer research: to change a previously terminal diagnosis from a death sentence into a life sentence. And I can live with that, hopefully for many years. I have no doubt that research/clinical studies will make it all a reality.

New drugs/treatment protocols are being approved almost daily it seems, by the F.D.A. In fact, as many drugs have been approved in the past few years as had been approved in the previous decade. I have treatment choices now that I've never had before, immunotherapy is but one example.

As far as the subject matter for this week's column, this is all I could muster. I hope you don't mind.

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"It is our privilege to serve the residents of the Town of Herndon," said Jeff Bentley, President/CEO of Northwest Federal Credit Union (center front row) as he gathers with other staff members of the financial institution, town staff, and members of the Festival Executive Committee at the Herndon Town Council Public Session held May 22, 2018.



The parking lot currently used to stage Herndon Festival's carnival is one of the many land parcels in the Herndon Town Council approved Comprehensive Agreement with Comstock Herndon Venture for the Downtown Redevelopment Project. After the contract between the Town and Comstock is executed, the land sale and construction would preclude the use of the parking lot to stage the carnival.

Herndon Festival Bids Goodbye to the Historic Downtown District

Have no fear; a plan's in gear continuing the same traditions.

BY MERCIA HOBSON
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After 37 great years in the Historic Downtown District, the Herndon Festival is moving to a new location in 2019 due to the proposed Downtown Redevelopment Project anticipated to break ground next year. By resolution passed 6-0 during the Herndon Town Council Public Session held May 22, 2018, the Mayor and Town Council approved a resolution authorizing the Town Manager to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with Northwest Federal Credit Union to host the festival on their campus. NWFCU is located at the intersection of 200 Spring Street with Herndon Parkway. The campus will offer excellent accessibility to the festival via the Dulles Toll Road (Route 267), Fairfax County Parkway (Route 7100/286), the Herndon Silver Line Station due to open

in 2020, and by the W & OD Trail.

A news release dated May 23 by Herndon Parks and Recreation reported that the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Herndon and NWFCU allows the opportunity for up to three annual renewals and a separate sponsorship agreement recognizing NWFCU as the festival's title sponsor.

JEFF BENTLEY, President/CEO of Northwest Federal Credit Union, attended the May 22 Town Council Public Session as did many employees of the financial institution, which is one of the major employers in the Town. Bentley spoke during the session and on behalf of Northwest Federal, he thanked the mayor and town councilmembers for considering Northwest to host the 2019 Herndon Festival. Northwest Federal Credit Union loves partnering in Herndon, Bentley said, adding that the organization with 500 employees has committed to serving more than 5000 hours of volunteer time "... all of that going hopefully to the nonprofits right here locally...we are big supporters of this community."

As Bentley wrapped up his remarks, he

added: "I wanted to make sure everyone understood, it is our privilege to serve the residents of the Town of Herndon, and we are so excited to host the festival in 2019."

Cindy Roeder, director for Town of Herndon Parks and Recreation, the department that produces the festival, acknowledged that the Parks & Recreation Department and the Festival Executive Committee had been searching for a new space to hold the festival, in its entirety, for some time, "for someone to take us in as lone-some festival looking for a home. Lots of people have turned us away," Roeder confided, "Northwest Federal Credit Union was kind enough to listen to our request; got excited about the idea, and we are so pleased they are willing to take on not only the burden but the joy of hosting the Herndon Festival." Roeder said Herndon has a history of collaborating and working with Northwest Federal and the organization has done so many good things in the local community as part of their corporate outreach program, their interest in serving and making the community a better place.

Roeder said while the carnival is a crucial element to the festival, and something

people enjoy, the carnival is also the financial backbone of the festival. It generates approximately 45 percent of festival's revenue. She said it was essential to retain festival at the scope and size it currently is to include the carnival and do so at one site for various reasons.

First, Roeder told how families should be able to enjoy the festival in one location, keeping families together and second, she mentioned that the Town does not have the resources to divide its planning, logistical and security staff between two separate venues. "It was not logical for us to split up and do something in the downtown and do something somewhere else," Roeder said. "We wanted to move together, as a unit and Northwest Federal campus makes that possible."

THE HERNDON FESTIVAL website states, "The committee also plans to present some new and different elements to keep the festival fresh and worthy of attendees' efforts to visit the new site...The festival will remain on the weekend following Memorial Day. The dates for next year are May 30 - June 2, 2019."

NWFCU Foundation Raises \$64K for Scholarships at Golf Tournament

The NWFCU Foundation, the charitable arm of Northwest Federal Credit Union, held its third annual Drive for the Driven Golf Tournament on May 14. The money raised from the event will benefit the NWFCU Foundation Scholarship Fund, which has awarded scholarships to college-bound students since 2005 totaling more than \$1 million.

"Our golf tournament took place at Chantilly National Golf and Country Club for the third year in a row with 125 golfers participating to raise funds for the NWFCU Foundation scholarship program," said Northwest Federal Credit Union's President and CEO, and NWFCU Foundation Chair, Jeff Bentley. "Thank you to our sponsors whose generous support will allow us to award 20 scholarships this year." 2018 sponsors included: Gold Sponsor - Northwest Financial

Advisors; Silver Sponsor - LPC Services, LLC. Event Element Sponsors: Driving Range & Putting Green Sponsor - Sageworks; Golf Hat Sponsor - Kudulis Reisinger Price; Golf Towel Sponsor - CUNA Mutual; Signage Sponsor - Virginia Credit Union League; Superstar Sponsor - Northwest Federal Credit Union; Watering Hole Sponsor - Mustang Sally Brewing Company; Bags Sponsor - Summit Marketing; Printing: gam Graphics and Marketing; Volunteer Food: Apple Spice Junction in Herndon; Water Sponsor: Wheat's Landscaping. "Northwest Financial Advisors was honored to be the Gold Sponsor for this year's tournament," said Northwest Financial Advisors' President and CEO, Kevin Fisher. "We believe in the importance of education and are pleased to support the dedicated college-bound students who will receive scholarships through the NWFCU



Kevin Fisher and Jeff Bentley.

Foundation." 2018 scholarships will be awarded on June 20 and celebrated with a

luncheon at the Chantilly National Golf and Country Club.