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Hi! My name is Jake. I am a Cavachon, and I live with my people in Burke. This is me at home in my papasan chair, but most days you will find me socializing at Peet's Coffee in Kings Park Shopping Center in Springfield."

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Elected officials with the winners of the Best of Braddock Awards.



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Honoring 'Best of Braddock'

Supervisor John C. Cook and the Braddock District Council held their annual "Best of Braddock" community awards ceremony on July 11 at the Braddock District Supervisor's office.

More than 50 people attended the picnic and awards ceremony to honor neighbors and public servants who make the Braddock District a better place to live. Supervisor Cook was joined by U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11), delegates David Bulova (D-37) and Vivian Watts (D-39) in awarding the recipients with plaques, congressional records, and special state recognitions.

The Best of Braddock winners included:

❖ Marilyn Sitts, who was recognized for her work as the head of the Old Forge/Surrey Square Hospitality Committee.

❖ Donna Fricas, another Old Forge/Surrey Square resident, received an award for starting and maintaining a "Little Free Library" in her neighborhood.

❖ Judy Nitsche was named Best of Braddock for her lead role in organizing the Friends of King's Park Library Book Sale, which she has chaired for 10 years. Her work helped raise over \$300,000 for the library.

❖ Cathy DeLoach and Mary Hovland were recognized for organizing the Second Ever King's Park West Tour of Homes, which raised \$4,000 to benefit the Commonwealth Swim Club, the Lakeview Swim Club, the Kings Ridge Swim Club and the Kings Park West Civic Association.

❖ Sarah Lennon was honored for her efforts as the Kings Park West Civic Association (KPWCA) Parks & Lake Chairperson and the KPWCA Road Raiders Coordinator.

❖ Evan Braff and Paul Woods from Neighborhood and Community Services were given their award for implementing the Burke/West Springfield Senior Center Without Walls and Neighborhood College.

At the end of the ceremony Supervisor Cook gave a special speech to thank George Klein for bringing the community together as the Braddock District Council president over the last four years.



From left — Congressman Gerry Connolly (D-11), Del. David Bulova, Braddock District Council President George Klein, Delegate Vivian Watts, and Braddock District Supervisor John C. Cook.



Guests enjoyed a free picnic catered by Red, Hot, & Blue.

The tree fell on the corner of the house, where a room and the back porch were.

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MIKE SALMON/
THE CONNECTION



Fallen Tree Claims the Life of Homeowner

The saturated soil might have played a role in the accident, toppling the enormous tree..

BY MIKE SALMON
THE CONNECTION

In the overnight hours of July 23, in the midst of a rainstorm that broke records for the month of July, a tree came crashing down on a house in Burke, killing 63-year-old Beverly Krizanovic.

The tree fell from the rear of the house, across the yard, and onto the corner of the house, damaging the back porch and the corner room.

According to a report by the Fairfax County Police, officers at the West Springfield District Station responded to the 5900 block of Burnside Lane shortly after 8:30 p.m., Monday, July 23, to assist Fairfax County Fire and Rescue after the report of a person trapped under a tree that fell on a home.

Eduardo Chacon, who graduated from Robinson Secondary

School last month, heard the crash while laying in bed. "Once I saw the lights, I looked outside," he said. He didn't know the Krizanovics well, and waved occasionally when mowing the yard, but looked at the tree crew removing the tree the next day with a long face. "It's sad," he said.

Others felt the same way, and many came up the next afternoon to see what happened and comfort each other. "It's a terribly sad situation," said William Driesslein who lived around the corner for the past 31 years. "More tragedy than we need," he said.

The Krizanovics took care of their trees, said Driesslein and Chacon. They'd taken down a few over the past few years that had died or gotten a tree disease. Others started worrying about their trees as well. "They're shallow rooted," said Driesslein.



From the pipestem a few doors down, the enormity of the tree was apparent.

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Students gather around the tables to sign the banners for the students to provide thoughts and recognition.

To Connor, Ethan and Caitlyn, with Love

Robinson students write letters about their schoolmates involved in fatal car crash.

BY KHUYEN DINH
THE CONNECTION

jured in that accident, as well as sign banners for Ethan and Caitlyn Newham.

On Wednesday, July 18, 2018, members of the Robinson student body gathered together to write letters for the family of 17-year-old Conner McGowan of Burke, a rising junior at Robinson Secondary School, who was killed in a car crash, and for Ethan Willison, in-

The Robinson Student Government announced the event via social media to encourage the student body to gather together in remembrance and support for their peers that were involved in the accident.

After the accident, the Robinson

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As she continues to set up for the event, executive council member, senior Rachel Nelson is excited to see all of the student body contributing to this letter-writing event.

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Sat on the floor outside of the Robinson main entrance, junior Blake Hopkins and senior Bennett Wyatt write letters to both families as both students were active members of the Robinson Lacrosse community. They write to their teammates hoping to remind them how loved they are.

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Robinson Junior Ellie Monnig hopes to provide both families with stories and memories she has had with the students.

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Student Government gathered to brainstorm ideas of how they could help and give the student body a voice.

"It was all of our executive council and SGA. The Student Government and most of the juniors, classmates of the students in the accident, created a long list of what they wanted to do for them and this letter-writing opportunity was one of them," said Robinson Secondary teacher Carleigh Peterson.

"The executive council and members of the student government truly wanted to contribute in some way to give back to all that Conner gave us," said SGA Executive Council Member, senior Rachel Nelson. "We put together this letter-writing event to commemorate all that he's done as well as recognize the two injured Robinson students."

Outside of the main entrance of Robinson, the student government set up three tables. One with colorful paper, pens and boxes to write letters to the McGowan family as well as Ethan, including ideas of what to include in the letters. They also set up banners for everyone to sign for Ethan and Caitlyn, with big letters spelling out "We love you". Members of the student body signed the banners as well as faculty members.

"This is obviously a really hard time for everybody," said Peterson. "I thought this was a great idea because it can provide the family with some fun stories of not only Conner but Ethan as well. It can give our students some closure and an opportunity to express and remember all the great things about these students."

In addition to loving memories of Conner, students also recognized Ethan Willison and Caitlyn Newham who were involved in the accident too.

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The Murata family taking Juan Solo on their hikes and backpacking trips.



The late Sadie Murata and her mother Jennifer, of Burke, with Juan Solo, enjoying taking him outside of the house. Sadie died last September.

‘Juan Solo’ Joins Family

Chihuahua mix “Juan Solo” Murata was picked by young Sadie Murata, who died last September due to cancer. The Muratas, of Burke, always had big dogs in their house yet when Sadie was reaching the end of her treatment, she wanted a small dog that would sit with her. The Muratas found a smaller dog with a kind and calm demeanor at the last shelter they visited. The family sat down with him and Sadie looked

at her mother and said she wanted him. He came home with the family and stuck with Sadie for as long as she was with them. He is now an important family member who goes on trips with the family. “He loves going on long walks and even goes on backpacking trips with our family. We love him and adventures we take him on,” said Evie Murata.

— KHUYEN DINH

Our ‘Almost’ Office Pet

BY SHARON BULOVA,
CHAIRMAN, FAIRFAX COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR

An adorable gray and white cat showed up at my doorstep recently. My husband and I brought him inside. He gobbled down two big bowls of cat food and made himself at home.

We fell in love, bought him a collar and named him Pippin. Unfortunately our other two cats, Sam and Frodo, were not amused (an understatement).

For Pippin’s safety, I brought him to my office at the Fairfax

County Government Center. For a day, he enjoyed exploring the office furniture (he is definitely a climber) and bonded with my staff. We wanted to keep Pippin at the office, but figured he would get lonely on the weekends and might surprise our custodial staff. Plus my Chief of Staff is allergic.

Pippin is now in the capable hands of the Fairfax County Animal Shelter, where I know he will soon meet the perfect family. If you are interested in adopting this sweet, playful and affectionate kitty who spent a day in



PHOTOS CONTRIBUTED

Pippin the climber

the Chairman’s Office, he is currently at 4500 West Ox Road, but hopefully not for long!

Caps’ Fans from Oak Hill

Lindsey Smith of Oak Hill, Chief of Staff for Supervisor John C. Cook (R-Braddock District) writes: “We have two beagle mix pups, Sully (age 3) and Zeke (age 2). Even though I work for Braddock Supervisor Cook, I live in Oak Hill in the Sully District, so that’s where the name comes from. Actually, every time I see former Sully Supervisor Michael Frey, he never asks about me, only about my dog! Zeke was a rescue pup that we adopted last year and the two of them get along very well. And of course they were super excited that the Caps went all the way!”



Caps Fans, Sully (age 3) and Zeke (age 2)



**Bambino:
The life of
the party at
shelter.**

Come Meet Bambino

With so many great animals available for adoption at the Fairfax County Animal Shelter, Supervisor Jeff McKay (D-Lee District) has begun to sponsor a “Pet of the Month” who — he says — will make a loving addition to your home. This month, the first sponsored pet is Bambino, a 4.5-year-old, terrier-staffordshire mix, who is the life of the party at the shelter. You can learn more here at: <http://www.petango.com/.../Dog-Terrier-American-Staffordshire...>

Breed: Terrier, American Staffordshire / Mix
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Bambino is the life of the party at the shelter! He is all wiggles and smiles and tail wags, and he just wants to play, play, play! And when he’s not playing, he is the perfect 70 pound lap dog. He loves getting

attention and returns every scratch and pet with a big ‘ol kiss. Bambino is a big guy who hasn’t really learned how to harness his enthusiasm, so when you first leash him up, you better hold on. When he calms down a bit, he is actually pretty well mannered and knows lots of basic commands. A little training will go a long way with this smart, food motivated boy.

We love Bambino’s big personality, and he’s always up for entertaining. This is what one of our volunteers noticed about him: “I discovered that he likes to stick his whole head into the water bucket and blow bubbles with his nose. Seriously...whole head, up to his eyes. He’d do that, then come over to me with a soaking wet face and big, goofy grin. He’s definitely high energy, but he’s funny and sweet!” Are you looking for a little fun in your life? Come meet Bambino!



Sully kisses

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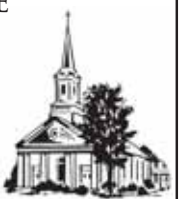
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Do Not Separate Children and Families

What we have learned.

BY SEN. DAVE MARSDEN
STATE SENATOR (D-37)

The cruelty enacted by the Trump Administration in separating minor children from their parents is egregious on its face. What concerns me even more is that the science around the detention of young people is available and widely understood.

The science is clear, unless a child poses an imminent public safety risk or an imminent risk to themselves, alternatives to detention and separation from family should be pursued.

I spent part of my career as a probation officer making decisions around whether to remove young people from their families for their criminal behavior. Fortunately, in 1974, the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act prohibited the detention of status offenders — runaways, truants, incorrigibles — in secure, locked facilities. The rest of my career was spent as superintendent of Fairfax County's Juvenile Detention Center and a 2-and-half-year stint in Richmond as chief deputy and acting director of the Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) — which operated probation, parole, and confinement for 1,200 incarcerated delinquents convicted of criminal offenses. In the Fairfax Detention Center, I had as many as 137 children and 55 beds. We had to sleep kids on mattresses on the floor. Today we average 30-40 kids in the Fairfax Detention Center and have fewer than 300 in the DJJ. Why has the dramatic drop in populations occurred?

One factor for the dramatic drop in juvenile incarceration is that we now know better and

only detain or incarcerate those who are an imminent public safety risk. We now know that detained kids who are not public safety risks are only made worse by the experience. Children who are unnecessarily detained fall victim to the principle of “the self-fulfilling prophecy.” What this means is that children we thought we were teaching a lesson to were not learning how to behave but were rather having their worst feelings about themselves confirmed by the juvenile justice system — ultimately making them more likely to live a delinquent lifestyle.

In 2001, as acting director of the Department of Juvenile Justice, we initiated a best practice of creating structured decision-making or risk instruments to determine, on a more scientific basis, whether youngsters should be detained in local juvenile detention centers or could be released to their families on outreach detention or electronic monitoring pending their court dates.

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We are making better decisions today because in the past we did not know the impact of our actions on these children and their families. We thought we were helping by teaching them a lesson but we were actually making things worse.

All of this is background for what is happening at the border and the damage that can be done to children in this thoughtless and ill-informed policy of separating these children and their families.

In 1997, the Adverse Child Experience Study (ACE) was completed by Kaiser Permanente and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). What this study demonstrated for us is how critical a decision it is to separate a child from their family and the damage that is perpetrated on that child. All of us have the capacity to overcome a temporary negative experience.

What children often do not have the capacity to overcome is prolonged trauma that this separation inflicts on them. Detention itself can have traumatic impact even if families are together. Younger children who witness or experience abuse, violence, emotional mistreatment, and privation can fundamentally be psychologically rewired in ways that hinder their ability to handle normal life situations. The best example of this is a parable told by a psychiatrist from San Francisco I heard at a conference. She said, “Imagine yourself a child walking alone in the woods and coming across a bear. The child runs from the bear and is terrified but in the normal course of events, with comfort from the family, the frightening episode can be overcome and life can move on without permanent adverse impact. Now, imagine that you live with the bear.” Clearly, it is not only the separation from family itself but the duration of the separation that has dramatic impact on children.

This is the science and what we know about thoughtless interventions that may appear to solve our problems but rather damage others irrevocably. While some children are dangerous and do require confinement and treatment, almost no child taken from their parents at the U.S.-Mexico border fits this category.

Whether they are our children or children seeking asylum from another country, our obligations as people who know better, are clear. These children may end up staying in the United States under our asylum laws. Do we want them healthy and capable of contributing to society or traumatized and unable to function appropriately? This is an easy choice no matter how you feel about immigration. The science and our experience tells us not to separate children from their families. The unintended consequences can be serious.

Protect Immigrant Students from ICE

BY DIANE BURKLEY ALEJANDRO

Fairfax County is poised to improve its policy governing law enforcement in schools significantly, but the current draft fails to protect immigrant students, and must be changed.

The matter is urgent because the policy on deployment of armed police School Resource Officers (SROs) to all public middle and high schools in the county is being considered at the School Board working meeting on Monday, July 23 and will be voted on at the Thursday, 7 p.m. Board meeting. It will be implemented with the start of the school year next month.

Those who support making schools off limits to immigration authorities should send emails to their School Board member and, most importantly, attend these upcoming meetings, which are open to the public.

Forced separation of immigrant youth from their families is not just happening at the border. Police in schools throughout the country are feeding information to federal immigration authorities about undocumented students.

Some examples:

❖ In Long Island, N.Y.; SROs sent information to the Immigration and Customs Enforce-

ment (ICE) on undocumented students they couldn't arrest due to lack of evidence, leading to their arrest for deportation.

❖ The Boston school system was sued over its sharing students' info with ICE.

❖ A child in Durham, N.C. was arrested on his way into school.

Immigrant students in Fairfax public schools fear that it can happen to them, too. Students and school counselors have reported that many immigrants avoid reporting crimes against them, or stay away from school altogether.

Unfortunately, the draft agreement between the police and school system does not prevent them from helping ICE. The deficits in this proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the police and public schools are two-fold:

❖ The MOU gives law enforcement access to students and their information if they have a “warrant.” This can be read to include not just warrants issued by judicial authorities but so-called warrants issued administratively by ICE itself.

❖ Police are not prohibited from giving information about students to ICE if it is included in “law enforcement records” created by SROs. These records are not subject to FERPA, the

privacy law protecting student records. Even directory information on students is dangerous, because ICE can use addresses and other contact information to track down students and their families.

To remedy these deficits, ACLU People Power together with National Korean American Service & Education Consortium (NAKASEC) propose that the School Board amend the draft MOU to require that ICE have a criminal warrant or subpoena issued by a court in order to:

- ❖ obtain student information, including non-public directory information that could be used to locate household members
- ❖ interview or search a student, or
- ❖ arrest any student or their household members on school property.

Other progressive school systems across the nation (including New Haven, Philadelphia, Chicago and Los Angeles) have already addressed this concern.

It is time for Fairfax public schools to do so as well. If you agree, please make your voice heard.

Diane Burkley Alejandro is the lead advocate for ACLU People Power Fairfax. She was a member of the SRO Community Review Committee set up to provide input on the new MOU. This column first appeared in The BlueView, blueviewfairfax.com

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Summer Drama Camp. Through Aug. 3, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Lanier Middle School, 3801 Jermantown Road, Fairfax. City of Fairfax Theater Company offers its Traditional Summer Drama Camp with week long sessions in July and August. The Summer Drama Camp teaches children to create a staged performance at the end of each week. \$170 per camper for any one-week session, \$600 per camper for all four sessions. Visit www.fairfaxcitytheatre.org for weekly themes and registration.

ONGOING

The Sunday Farmers' Market. Through Oct. 21, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at 10500 Page Ave., Fairfax — one block from West and Main streets behind the Wells Fargo Bank and adjacent to the Historic Fairfax County Courthouse. Visit www.fairfaxsundaymarket.com.

Saturday Community Farmers' Market. Through Oct. 27, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at 10500 Page Ave., Fairfax — one block from West and Main streets behind the Wells Fargo Bank and adjacent to the Historic Fairfax County Courthouse. Visit www.fairfaxsaturdaymarket.com.

Farmers Market. Saturdays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Springfield Town Center. 6699 Spring Mall Drive, Springfield. Visit www.facebook.com/SpringfieldFoodworks/.

THURSDAY/JULY 26

Evenings on the Ellipse with Tartan Terrors. 5:30-7 p.m. at the Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. The Evenings on the Ellipse summer concert series is a family-friendly event featuring a wide range of musical genres. Paradise Springs Winery and The Winery at Bull Run will be providing complimentary tastings; glasses of wine and full bottles available for purchase. A Farmers Market (2:30-6:30 p.m.) will also be on site selling fresh fruit and savory snacks. Rain or shine. Free. Visit fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances.

FRIDAY/JULY 27

Rock the Block: My Hero Zero. 6:30-9:30 p.m. at Old Town Square, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. Family-friendly free concert series, which features live bands, beer garden, and city restaurant vendor booths. Bring your own lawn chairs or blankets to sit on. Free. Call 703-385-7858 or visit www.fairfaxva.gov/rocktheblock.

B-I-N-G-O. 7 p.m. at Fire Station 3, 4081 University Drive, Fairfax. Enjoy free coffee, entertaining callers, a friendly atmosphere, \$1,000 guaranteed jackpot, treasure chest progressive raffles, and good food available for purchase. All proceeds go to purchasing fire and rescue



‘Good Dogs’

Class Act Players Theatre Company is staging a new play, “Good Dogs,” written by Morgan Smalley and directed by Maxwell Snyder (both of whom are students at George Mason University). Friday-Sunday, July 27-29, 7:30 p.m. at the Lorton Workhouse, 9518 Workhouse Road, Lorton. The show is rated PG-13 for language and subject matter. Tickets are \$15 for the general public and \$10 for students with ID. Visit www.workhousearts.org/ for more.

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SpiritMind. 7-9 p.m. at Unity of Fairfax, 2854 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton. Cost is \$20. SpiritMind is a quarterly mind-body-heart-spirit experience involving chanting, singing, meditating, drumming, and mindful movement. Contact Rebecca Whitecotton at comms@unityoffairfax.org. Visit the website at: <https://www.unityoffairfax.org/spiritmind-sa>

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SATURDAY/JULY 28

Artist’s Talk: Illuminated ‘Scapes. 11:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. at Arches Gallery, Bldg. W-9, Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. Featuring new work by Kathleen Best Gillmann. The first artist presentation will be at 11:30 a.m. with a repeat of the talk at 6 p.m. This is an opportunity to meet the artist and learn about Ms. Gillmann’s materials, techniques and inspiration. Visit online at VeryBestFineArt.com and on FB at “Kathleen Best Gillmann – Very Best Fine Art”.

SUNDAY/JULY 29

WVMGRS G-Scale Trains. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road, Fairfax Station. The Washington, Virginia & Maryland Garden Railway Society (WVMGRS) members will have a G-Scale train display running at the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum. Ages 16 and older, \$4; 5-15, \$2; 4 and under, free. Visit

www.fairfax-station.org, www.facebook.com/FFXSRR, or call 703-425-9225.

Everything Fairfax. 3:30-5 p.m. at Pohick Regional Library, 6540 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. Susan Gray of the Fairfax Museum recounts the history of other places named Fairfax, along with a look at collectibles and ephemera from some of these places. Free. Visit www.burkehistoricalsociety.org.

Peter Kater Concert. 7 p.m. at Unity of Fairfax 2854 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton. Cost is \$20. See Grammy-winning pianist/composer, Peter Kater, in a rare and intimate live concert performance. Peter will play a 75–90 minute set with no intermission. Contact Rebecca Whitecotton at comms@unityoffairfax.org. Visit the website at <https://www.unityoffairfax.org/peter-kater-concert-s>

TUESDAY/JULY 31

Farm to Fairfax Market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Old Town Square, 10415 North St., Fairfax. The market, will be producers-only – meaning that all vendors at the market may only sell what they raise on their farms or make from scratch using local ingredients as much as possible. May-September, weather permitting. Call 703-385-7893.

Erin’s Epic Stories. 10:30 a.m. at Old Town Square, 10415 North St., Fairfax. A variety of children’s activities and entertainment in Old Town Square at the pergola, Tuesdays June-August. Weather permitting. Free. Visit www.fairfaxva.gov/government/parks-recreation/old-town-square.

WEDNESDAY/AUG. 1

Springfield Nights. 7 p.m. at Burke Lake Park, 7315 Ox Road, Fairfax Station. Featuring: Ruthie & the Wranglers (American Roots). Bring a picnic dinner, blankets, your dog, and lawn chairs and relax with friends and family. Beer and food will be available for purchase. Call 703-451-8873.

Kings Park Concert Band. 7:30-8:30

p.m. at Mason District Park, 6621 Columbia Pike, Annandale. Kings Park Concert Band; program of marches, band classics, Broadway and movie show tunes. Seating provided in the amphitheater or bring your lawn chair. Free. Call 703-569-3090 or visit kingsparkband.org.

WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY/AUG. 1-2

Studio Ghibli: The Tale of Princess Kaguya. Wednesday, 7 p.m. (Japanese with English subtitles); Thursday, 11 a.m. (English dubbed) at Angelika Film Center – Mosaic, 2911 District Ave., Fairfax. The Angelika Mosaic will feature animated films from the celebrated Studio Ghibli praised for their originality, stunning animation, and ambitious storytelling. All tickets are regular admission. Visit www.AngleikaFilmCenter.com.

THURSDAY/AUG. 2

Bocce Picnic and Play. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Green Acres Center, 4401 Sideburn Road, Fairfax. Featuring a free Bocce Picnic and Play event. Green Acres is the host site for the 2018 NVSO bocce competition scheduled on Thursday, Sept. 20. Medalists from past NVSO bocce competitions are expected to be on hand at the picnic Aug. 2 to help introduce bocce to those who might be new to the sport. Participants may also register for the NVSO at the picnic. All registration for the senior games ends Aug. 24 . You must be at least 50-years-old by Dec. 31, 2018, to compete in the NVSO. To register for the free RSVP picnic or to become a NVSO volunteer, call volunteer specialist Carly Hubicki at 703-403-5360 or visit www.rsvpnova.org.

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SATURDAY/AUG. 4

Workhouse Brewfest. 1-8 p.m. at Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. More than 30 Virginia craft breweries, artisan distilleries, and Virginia wineries will be on tap at the third annual Workhouse Brewfest, which will also feature live performances by 12 bands, food trucks, access to 12 air-conditioned art galleries and 65 artist studios. Visit workhousebrewfest.org for tickets.

AUG. 4-SEPT. 2

Art Exhibit: Free Beer (and other lies). At Arches Gallery at Workhouse Arts Center, Building 9, 9518 Workhouse Way., Lorton. Featuring works by John Hartt, who is known for his quirky oil paintings which have been described as strangely comforting. His latest kooky collection, “Free Beer (and other lies),” explores some of the concepts and stories surrounding beer, drunkenness and lies as only Hartt can interpret them. Visit www.workhousearts.org. For more information about John Hartt, visit www.jortt.com.

SUNDAY/AUG. 5

History Challenge Day. 1-4 p.m. at the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road, Fairfax Station. Choose from a selection of quizzes on a variety of topics for a chance to win a prize. Different versions will be available for all ages and groups and interests. Ages 16 and older, \$4; 5-15, \$2; 4 and under, free. Visit www.fairfax-station.org, www.facebook.com/FFXSRR, or call 703-425-9225.

Ballet “Precedence.” 2 p.m. at Ernst Community Cultural Center, NVCC Annandale Campus, 8333 Little River Turnpike, Annandale. Virginia Ballet Company and School will present a program that includes modern dance, ballet, and flamenco. All seats are reserved, and tickets are priced by location, with orchestra center \$30, orchestra sides \$20, and Balcony \$15 (all plus a \$3 processing fee). Tickets may be purchased at www.vaballet.org or at the door. Call 703 249-8227.

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News



Pohick Stream Valley Trail Improvements Set to Begin in Burke Station Park

The Fairfax County Park Authority will soon begin work on the Pohick Stream Valley Trail in Burke Station Park. This project may impact parking and access to trails.

Construction will consist of approximately 2,400 linear feet of 8-foot wide paved trail, landscaping, and a new prefabricated fiberglass pedestrian bridge. Accubid Construction Services, Inc., will be mobilizing on site within the next month. Work at the site will continue through this fall and completion is anticipated prior to spring 2019.

Construction access to the site will be from the

park entrances on Kerrwood Street and Burke Road. Parking restrictions near that entrances are anticipated in order to facilitate the passage of construction materials and equipment. In addition, construction equipment will be present on the trail in Pohick Stream Valley Park during construction.

As a safety precaution, portions of the existing trail may be occasionally closed to users during the project.

For more information, visit the Trails page or contact Project Manager Tom McFarland at Thomas.McFarland@fairfaxcounty.gov or 703-324-8688.

Lake Braddock Student Honored

Alexis DeLeon, rising junior at Lake Braddock Secondary School, has been selected to become a member of The National Society of High School Scholars (NSHSS). The Society recognizes the top scholars who have demonstrated outstanding scholarship, leadership and community commitment.



Burke Residents Attend Space Academy

James Caley and Jacob Stanley of Burke recently attended Advanced Space Academy at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center, home of Space Camp, Space Camp Robotics, Aviation Challenge and NASA Marshall Space Flight Center's Official Visitor Center.

The weeklong educational program promotes science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), while training students with hands-on activities and missions based on teamwork, leadership and problem solving.

This program is specifically designed for trainees who have a particular interest in space exploration. Caley and Stanley spent the week training with a team that flew a simulated space mission to the International Space Station (ISS). Once aboard the ISS, the crew participated in experiments and successfully completed an extra-vehicular activity (EVA), or spacewalk. Caley, Stanley and crew returned to earth in time to graduate with honors.

Visit www.spacecamp.com

BULLETIN

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MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

The Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board's Merrifield Center offers a new stand-up information kiosk. Part of a pilot project, the new feature aims to improve the customer service experience and decrease wait times for individuals who are seeking mental (behavioral) health services. To check in, individuals respond to five simple questions, then the CSB's Patient Track software alerts staff. Based on clinicians' schedules and availability, as well as the needs of the client, individuals are triaged and seen by the next available staff member. For more information on available services, call the CSB at 703-383-8500 (Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.). In an emergency 24/7, call CSB Emergency Services at 703-573-5679 or the Fairfax Detox Center at 703-502-7000 (TTY 703-322-9080).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Haven of Northern Virginia is committed to offering, support, compassion, information and resources to the bereaved and seriously ill. Volunteers provide individual and group support to those suffering from a loss. Volunteers must participate in a 30 hour training. Training will be offered in October 2018. To volunteer, call Haven at 703-941-7000.

Assistance League of Northern Virginia, a volunteer nonprofit, invites community members to join the organization to participate in its Reading Express program. Volunteers provide one-on-one tutoring to first grade students during the school year. To learn more contact VP Membership Mary Gronlund at gronbiz@aol.com or Program Coordinator Lynn Barron at lynnieb517@verizon.net.

SATURDAY/JULY 28

Journey Through Grief. 2-4 p.m. at Haven, 4606 Ravensworth Road, Annandale. Registration requested for Journey Through Grief workshop. Free. Call 703-941-7000, email Haven at havenofnova@verizon.net, or visit www.havenofnova.org.

TUESDAY/AUG. 7

Lions Dinner Meeting. 6:30-8:30 p.m. at American Legion Post 177, 3939 Oak St., Fairfax. Lions Club meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month. Guests are welcome to learn about the mission of the Lions Clubs "We Serve," meet club members and learn to help serve the community. Free to first time guests. Email fairfaxlions@cox.net or visit www.fairfaxlions.org for more.

SUNDAY/AUG. 12

Spiritual Prosperity Workshop. 1:30-4 p.m. at Unity of Fairfax, 2854 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton. Learn how to make changes in life using spiritual laws of abundance in this workshop with nationally-known author and speaker Edwene Gaines. Workshop is offered on a love offering (donation) basis. Call 703-281-1767 or visit www.unityoffairfax.org/four-spiritual-laws-prosperity-workshop-s for more.

AUG. 13-SEPT. 9

Pool Closure: South Run RECenter. Four Fairfax County Park Authority RECenter pools will be closing for regular, periodic cleaning and maintenance next month. Consider trying out another county pool during the temporary shutdown. RECenter passes are valid at all nine Park Authority RECenters. Dates are subject to change. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/recenter for more.

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Phoning It In



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

For my next post-scan, face-to-face appointment with my oncologist, we won't in fact be seeing him face to face. Instead, we will be speaking with him phone to phone. This bothers or concerns me not in the least. "I only mention this in passing," ("The Exorcist," 1973) and as a topic for this week's column since I'm being CT-Scanned on Wednesday, July 25.

Typically, we would meet my oncologist in person a week or so after my scan to allow for proper reporting/interpreting of the scan. This appointment would have been made — or attempted to have been made, during the previous face-to-face appointment, three months prior. However, sometimes the computer program managing such scheduling doesn't provide the doctor's schedule so far in advance.

When this happens, the doctor/staff makes a note in the computer's margins, so to speak, to schedule me automatically when the appointments become available. Well, for some reason, that didn't happen this cycle. That became clear to me when, a few weeks before my presumptive appointment, I went online to see when my it had been "computerized." I noticed it hadn't. I immediately called oncology to make inquiries and to schedule this kind-of-important, post-scan appointment.

I spoke with one of the nurses — with whom I'm familiar, and explained my circumstances. She went on the computer, entered my member number and, if I understand the process correctly, typed in something like "next available appointment."

"Aug. 31," she said.

I said "What? I usually see the doctor the week after my scan."

"That's the next available appointment," she repeated. (I'd mutter "incredible" to myself but I have some prior experience with such blips.)

Stammering as I gathered my thoughts, the nurse casually offered up the chance of a phone appointment. "Sure!," I said, (having received a similar offer once before).

The nurse said "How about Aug. 6?" 12 days post scan and much sooner than Aug. 31. (Normally we try to schedule the follow-up in-office appointment for the following Friday, 10 days after the Wednesday scan which ideally would have been Aug. 3).

"Perfect," I said, since I'm home on Mondays and my wife, Dina, coincidentally had already scheduled that day off from work. (The phone-appointment process involves putting the phone on speaker — so that all parties can participate, and exercising some patience. It's a little awkward but given the appointment unavailability, it's what we have to do.) Not stressing too much about this unexpected set of circumstances, I am now prepared to move forward and hope for the best — results.

The only semi concern I do have is what if the conversation, different than the previous phone-appointment conversation, involves some significant decision-making/discussing about Kenny's life treating forward. If the conversation is potentially life-altering, I'd rather look my oncologist in the eyes rather than hear his voice over the phone.

And, of course, being that there are very few guarantees in the cancer business, there is absolutely no assumption to be presumed that since I'm having a phone appointment that somehow that means all is well with yours truly. Hardly. I haven't even had my scan yet. It simply means that the doctor is already double-booked for the time frame in consideration.

However, on the totally-plus side: There's no 45 minute drive to and from. Once on site, there's no 15- to 20-minute wait in the reception area. Then there's no 10- to 20-minute wait/getting vitals in the examining room until my oncologist comes in. And finally, there's no 30- to 45-minute appointment with my oncologist since there's no physical examination and no ability as well to computer-review the actual scan. It's simply questions and answers. This all works perfectly well when the scan shows "stable."

But, what if?

I don't do "what-ifs." I do what I do until I'm told otherwise (that's why I'm a good husband). Moreover, I don't worry about things I can't control. My scan is in 10 days and it will show what it shows.

In the interim, I will hope for the best and await further instructions.

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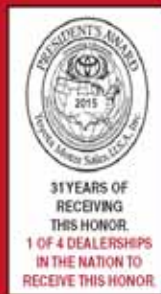
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Includes: Genuine Toyota oil filter, up to 5 qts of conventional oil*,
inspect windshield wipers, check tire condition, check battery (with
print-out), inspect and adjust all fluid levels, inspect air & cabin air filters.

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BRAKE SPECIAL

\$79⁹⁵

Includes: Install Genuine Toyota front brake pads,
inspect front & rear rotors & drums, check tire
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or **4/18**? If so, your VA Safety Inspection is now due

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