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Supervisor Catherine M. Hudgins, Hunter Mill District Supervisor, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors at the Public Information Meeting for the Soapstone Connector Project Supplemental Phase I Architectural Survey.

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Soapstone Connector Project Held by Historical Issues

Are there historical buildings or sites in the office park on Association Drive south of the Dulles Toll Road?

BY MERCIA HOBSON
THE CONNECTION

During the Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT) public involvement meeting for the “Soapstone Connector Supplemental Phase I Architectural Survey,” held Thursday, July 19, residents ultimately understood the purpose of the meeting was to gather by survey “their” feedback on the question of whether or not the building at 1916 Association Drive in Reston and/or sites on Association Drive may be potentially eligible for the National Register of Historic Places and should they be listed on National Registry of Historic Places.

FCDOT also wanted to know if residents had comments “relative to the eligibility of the building and/or office park along Association Drive for listing on the National Registry of Historic Places.”

Comments regarding the potential eligibility of the sites will be accepted through Friday, Aug. 3.

According to presenter, Audra Bandy, Project Manager FCDOT, the department had commissioned two historic resource studies for the project, both prepared by qualified architectural historians. The first was an Environmental Assessment presented to the public in the fall of 2017; it indicated “that the buildings on Association Drive are not eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places because they are all less than 50 years old.”

The Soapstone Connector Project aims to provide a direct connection between Sunset Hills Road and Sunrise Valley Drive crossing over the Dulles Toll Road, as recommended by the Reston Metrorail Access Group.

IN JANUARY 2018, the Virginia Department of Historic Resources requested a Supplemental Phase I Architectural Reconnaissance Survey.

The Supplemental Architectural Survey results as depicted on the slide presentation Bandy showed stated, “All but one of the ten buildings within the Reston Center for Associations and Educational Institution may potentially contribute to the Historic District. The building located at 1916 Association Drive may be individually eligible for listing on the NRHP.”

Later during the question period, Audra Bandy,

Project Manager FCDOT said that the building and its parcel at 1916 Association Drive were not in the direct path of the proposed Soapstone Connector but could possibly be affected by the project.

Bandy cited that if the building(s) were deemed eligible for listing on the NRHP, then construction of the Soapstone Connector would likely have an adverse effect on the site.

Such would create a domino effect triggering a ruling, stating unless there is no “prudent and feasible” alternative, the site must be protected. With the adverse effect ruling, FCDOT and VDOT would have to reopen alternative proposals for the Soapstone Project. They would have to go back to the drawing board and see if there was a prudent and feasible alternative, perhaps a project plan they had considered earlier.

If a new alternative did less overall harm compared to the original alignment and fulfilled the original purpose and needs of the project, then FCDOT would have to choose it.

Doug Miller of FCDOT reiterated that if they found the current Soapstone Connector Project had an adverse impact on the 10-parcel site or building(s), they would have to move the road.

Miller emphasized though that an adverse effect on the FCDOT proposed Soapstone Connector Project would not control what one or more owners of the multi-owned parcels could do with their own properties, from possibly remodeling, selling, or demolishing.

FCDOT reminded attendees of the current conditions related to the proposed project, that vehicles traveling to and from Wiehle-Reston East Metrorail Station and entering and leaving the Dulles Corridor to compete for the same road space on Wiehle Avenue, and the current Soapstone Connector Project was to provide additional multimodal capacity on a new north-south alternative to relieve congestion there. In other words, help traffic flow without the current backups.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/transportation/projects/soapstone-connector or contact Audra Bandy at

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Addy Johnson of Reston tiptoes through the woods at Walker Nature Center, her gossamer wings only slightly wet in the rain during the Reston Association Fairy Festival held Saturday, July 21. Johnson delighted in finding the many fairy houses made from natural materials.

Fairies Run Rampant in Reston

Reston Association produces Fairy Festival.

Hazel Pardini, 4, and her sister Violet, 2, visit with the Fairy Queen during the Reston Association Fairy Festival held at the Walker Nature Center.



BY MERCIA HOBSON
THE CONNECTION



From left, Reston fairies, Mia Wright, 4, Rose Kitces, 4, and Samantha Kitces, 6, make fairy houses out of natural material during the Reston Association Fairy Walk held Saturday morning, July 21.

OPINION

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.

What Do Our Electeds on Capitol Hill Do?

BY JOHN LOVAAS
RESTON IMPACT PRODUCER/HOST

As I see the endless, disappointing news out of Washington, I often wonder what roles our elected defenders play in shaping it. By elected defenders, I mean those I hope are at least defending our interests, if not furthering them—U.S. Senators Tim Kaine and Mark Warner, and Congressmen from the 11th and 8th districts, Gerry Connolly and Don Beyer.

I don't include Barbara Comstock of the 10th, a Republican who constantly, if not 100 percent of the time, votes rightward with Donald Trump and is unlikely to be defending interests of 99 percent of us.

Mine is a quite unscientific review of Electeds' work and achievements. It is based on keeping eyes and ears open, reading WAPO and NYT, and watching a bit online and some TV news. I should note that my Electeds are all Democrats, hence in the minority, often playing defense with low legislative scores.

Surprisingly, Sen. Mark Warner, ranking



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member of the Senate Intelligence Committee, has become a frequent and effective presence on network and cable news. He sharply criticizes Donald Trump and House Republican efforts to brand the Special Prosecutor's probe of Russian interference in the 2016 Presidential election, alleged collusion by the Trump campaign and related wrongdoing as a “witch hunt.” Further, he does so in a supportive, bipartisan way with the Committee's Republican Chairman. While I am a critic of Warner on many issues, e.g., gun safety and non-support of organized labor, I commend him for his work to protect Democracy, the defining issue of today.

Our junior Senator, Tim Kaine, distinguished himself as candidate for Vice President, winning the popular vote but, alas, not the deciding Electoral College. Now he is enmeshed in another election—for re-election to the Senate against Virginia's mini-Trump, Corey

Stewart. Kaine needs to win this election, then redouble his efforts to demonstrate leadership and legislative acumen.

In this progressive's opinion, Congressman Don Beyer is emerging as the leader of the pack. An exceptional intellect as well as a genuinely nice guy, Beyer has a strong resume: successful businessman, two-term Virginia Lt. Governor, U.S. Ambassador to Switzerland and Lichtenstein, and four years in Congress. He is beginning to be recognized as a key national policy voice. His oversight of the Trump administration focuses on vital public policy concerns, *inter alia*, the environment (climate change in particular), soaring economic inequality, immigration, national security, and executive branch corruption.

Beyer was the first lawmaker to call for withdrawing Jared Kushner's, Trump's son-in-law and top “policy advisor,” security clearance for lying on his application. And, just last week, Beyer was the lead author of legislation calling for grant assistance to states to enhance election security against intrusion by the Russians in upcoming elections—only to be voted

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OPINION

Some Good News

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COMMENTARY

This past week was horrible for our country! How much longer can we sustain the decline of our liberties and way of governing? I feel a sense of despair.

But, at the same time, good things are happening. I am going to focus on them in this column but with the assurance to you that I am not giving up on helping to turn our country around.

I shook hands with Bryce Harper last week! My grandson assures me that is a very big deal. Harper was in our community for the dedication of the Bryce Harper Sports Complex at the Fred Crabtree Park by Crossfield Elementary School. I know that the late Fred Crabtree who was a friend of mine would have been elated as he spent his life working to ensure that children have a place to play ball. I was impressed with Harper's message to the young people who were there to be the best they can be whether it is playing baseball, soccer, piano or dancing. Harper went on that evening to win the Major League Baseball Home Run Derby.

Two weeks ago, my two sons who are now in their fifties (!) invited me to go with them to visit the area near Shenandoah, Virginia, where I grew up and that they remember visiting as young children. Nothing stays the same. The home that my Mom and Dad kept immaculate with the grass mowed and a garden full of vegetables is now a shambles for lack of maintenance and the accumulation of junk. Regardless, we had a good time sharing stories about their grandparents and their growing up.

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down by Republicans.

Since the Department of Justice's latest attack on immigrants, the so-called "zero tolerance" policy began separating families at our borders, including tearing infants from parents and imprisoning children in detention centers around the country, Beyer has led congressional fact-finding efforts to reveal the impacts of this cruel policy. He has revealed detention centers here in our area, and the Shenandoah Valley Juvenile Center in Staunton. In the latter there have been reports of children suffering "severe mistreatment and abuse" and being "routinely beaten while shackled."

According to Beyer, "The sad truth is that many of these children will probably bear psychological scars throughout their lives from the trauma inflicted on them through Trump's family separation policy."

To see more of Rep. Beyer's reports on the workings and impacts of the barbaric policies, follow Don Beyer on Twitter, or attend one of his town halls.

President Obama gave a speech last week in South Africa, and it was marvelous! His understanding of the broad course of history, appreciation of human struggles and their outcomes, and his dedication to our institutions and moral values continue to give me a sense of hope. I have listened to his speech twice so far and will no doubt listen to it more times in the future. It is available online through several sources.

Special Olympics celebrated its 50th anniversary. How inspiring to hear the story of its founding, its amazing success, and the tireless effort of so many volunteers who make possible the activities for some of the most challenged among us. Thanks to all who are so unselfishly a part of such a wonderful program to help others.

Herndon-Reston Indivisibles, who organized soon after the last election, went to Lafayette Park at least three evenings in a row in addition to many other vigils and marches to publicly express their displeasure at the policies of the current administration and the need for citizens to stand up to the damage being done. They are inspiring to me and will ultimately be an important part of getting our country back on track.

I have to remind myself of all that is going on in our families and our communities that is really good and that demands protecting. After this inspiring break to remember the good things I need now to get back to work saving our governmental institutions and moral values! Thanks to all who provide the good news and the inspiration.

Like Don Beyer, Congressman Gerry Connolly is also running for re-election, for a sixth term, this year. Connolly, having worked as Foreign Affairs staff for several years, is now on the Foreign Affairs Committee where he is a sharp critic of Trump's withdrawal from the Iran nuclear accord. As Ranking member of the Oversight Committee on Government Operations, he has been a reliable critic of Trump's environmental and education policies.

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Tzar, a Staffordshire terrier-lab mix, has gotten his sea legs. “He’s a nautical dog,” Nicole Krisztinicz said. “We go sailing a lot, and we take him on the boat. He’s very good at climbing all around the deck and into the cabin. Even at getting on and off from the dock, he’s better than most humans.”



Bob Hannan said he likes to bring his basset hound, Charlie, to the Baron Cameron Dog Park. “People like myself get to learn about the other dogs, things that we’ve never known before,” Hannan said. “It’s happy out here.”

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Who Let the Dogs Out?

Baron Cameron Dog Park provides community for dog owners.

BY CARLYN KRANKING
THE CONNECTION

The Baron Cameron Dog Park is a place where many Reston dog owners spend their days. For Patrick Hyland, the dog park is more than just a place for his dog: It’s where he met his cat.

“Myself and a friend of mine were [at the park] one June evening around four years ago, chatting, and both of us turned to each other at the same time and said, ‘Do you hear a cat?’” Hyland said.

He turned around and saw a kitten hanging onto the chain link fence around the park’s perimeter. Immediately, he decided to take the kitten home.

“I didn’t think twice about it. I just picked him up ... and I ended up adopting him,” Hyland said. “I called him Baron after the Baron Cameron Dog Park.”



As Fiona, an Irish terrier, runs around at the dog park, Patrick Hyland talks to other dog owners. “It’s a great place to meet other people and chat. We get a very nice, diverse mix of people here,” Hyland said. “Everyone gets along fairly well.”



Ivy and Lulu, standard poodles, love to visit the dog park so much that they get excited just hearing its name. “When I say to my wife, ‘Do you think maybe you’d want to go to the dog park today?’ the dogs look up and they go to the door,” Steve Scholla said. “We’ve had to modify our vocabulary and abbreviate it as the ‘DP.’”



Rose, a shepherd mix, chases tennis balls at the dog park. “We went to a rescue event and she came to us and started licking our faces and jumping all over us,” David Kennedy said. “It’s been nice having a dog that just really wants to be your friend.”

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!”



PEOPLE & PETS



Cindy Morrow and Margie Dellagiarino with Dixie, Blu and Molly in front of the sign in memory of previous companions.



Molly with Margie, Caroline and Ben.

Welcoming Molly in Reston

We are celebrating a new pack member - Molly (the cute little brown dog). The photos are of my "kids", Dixie and Blu, and Molly, who joined the group early this year. Molly lives with George and Margie Dellagiarino. All three dogs are rescues from the same shelter, Briggs Animal Adoption Center in W.Va. Molly has adjusted to her new home and friends very well. On Sundays, she enjoys a car ride with Dixie and Blu to new walking spots in Reston. She is

also really good with her niece, Caroline and her nephew, Ben. Margie and I volunteer with HART rescue. Early this year, we adopted a space along the Reston pathways in memory of our previous companions, Bear, Frankie, Kizzma and Holly Jo. Dixie, who is recovering from a recent stroke, loves to walk by the space everyday, which helps us to keep it clean.

— CINDY MORROW



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THE CONNECTION

All About Dogs

(From left) Buddy, the Husky has come to the Town Square in Herndon with Michelle Hernandez, 11, of Herndon, Erika Ramos, 12, of Reston and Madison Garcia, 5, of Herndon. "Buddy likes to play tug-of-war and he chases us," the girls said. Garcia shows Buddy her book about dogs she picked from the Little Free Library.

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SUMMER CAMP

Reston Community Center is gearing up for an exciting 2018 summer camp season, with selections that offer something for everyone. Want to play chess, kick a soccer ball or practice tae kwon do? Want to make jewelry, play paintball or design a video game? Find all that and more through RCC. Registration is ongoing, but camps are filling quickly. Visit www.restoncommunitycenter.com or call 703-476-4500.

WEDNESDAY/JULY 25

Toddler Story Time. 10:30 a.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Join for fun stories, songs and finger plays. Age 2 with adult. Register beginning July 11. Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

Dog Days of Summer. 4-7 p.m. in the Pavillion at Reston Town Center. Dogs and owners can frolic in the Pavillion when it is transformed into an off-leash play area each week. Treats, toys, areas to cool off, pet-friendly giveaways, and more. Free. Visit restontowncenter.com.

Arrr! Ahoy Mateys. 7 p.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Join Pirate Busia Bear and his crew as he sets sail for a high adventure family story time. All ages. Register beginning July 11. Call 703-689-2700 or visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov.

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Baby Play and Explore. 11 a.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Join in an hour of unstructured play and social time for babies. Cosponsored by the Friends of the Reston Regional Library (FRRL). Age birth-18 months with adult. No registration required. Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

Dollars and Sense. 7 p.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Monthly group discussion focuses on business leaders and markets. Group will be discussing "Panic: the story of modern financial insanity" by Michael Lewis. Free and open to the public. Call 703-689-2700 or visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov.

FRIDAY/JULY 27

Summerbration Concerts. 7-9 p.m. at Reston Station, in the open-air plaza atop Wiehle-Reston East Metro. Don't just watch, get up and learn dance steps from a pro at Reston Community Center's Summerbration featuring Alfredo Mojica & Friends with Latin dancers (dancing and instruction). Parking is free in the



The free, weekly event Dog Days of Summer is held in the Pavillion at Reston Town Center, Wednesdays, 4-7 p.m. through Sept. 26.

Dog Days of Summer

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FRIDAY-SUNDAY/JULY 27-29

Charly's Attic Sale. Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; and Sunday, 1-4 p.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Special sale of the beautiful, bizarre, maybe battered, possibly tattered, elegant editions and ephemera collected over the years. Book collectors, crafters, lovers of the tangibly terrific – this is the sale. Call 703-689-2700 or visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov.

The Little Mermaid. Friday, 7 p.m.; Saturday, 7 p.m.; and Sunday, 2 p.m. at Herndon Middle School, 901 Locust St., Herndon. Join Summer Grand students as they present Disney's The Little Mermaid, a family-friendly, musical adventure that follows young Ariel on her quest for independence — and true love. \$10-\$15. Call 703-475-4933 or visit herdondrama.org. Before the Sunday matinee performance, there is a "Behind the Seas" children's program, 1-1:45 p.m.; interested families should email Herndon.Theatre.Boosters@gmail.com.

SATURDAY/JULY 28

Easy*Fun*Raw. 11 a.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. How to add more raw food to the family's diet for health and for the planet. Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

Green Screen Photo Booth. 2 p.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Visit the library's Green Screen Photo Booth and be directly in the story. This is a part of the Great American Read programming schedule. No registration required. Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

My Reptile Guys. 2:30 p.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman

Towne Drive, Reston. See live snakes, lizards and other reptiles. Cosponsored by the FRRL. Age 6-12. Register beginning July 14. Call 703-689-2700 or visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov.

Concerts on the Town: Incendio.

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.

SUNDAY/JULY 29

Reston Readings. 5:30-6:40 p.m. at Reston's Used Book Shop at Lake Anne Plaza, 1623 Washington Plaza N., Reston. Hear stories, poems, and writings of various styles. Meet writers. Free, open to the public. Visit tinyurl.com/y7zel2rq.

Sunday Art in the Park. 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Reston Town Square Park, 11900 Market St., Reston. Greater Reston Art Center, in partnership with the Reston Community Center, welcomes visitors to the Sunday Art in the Park series. Before attending the Sunday concert in Reston Town Square Park, come to the gallery to see the exhibition and drop in on an art making activity. Free and open to all ages. Visit restonarts.org.

Award Reception: Herndon Town Calendar Competition. 7-9 p.m. at ArtSpace Herndon, 750 Center St., Herndon. This exhibit features finalists in the 8th Annual Herndon Town Calendar Competition. Jurors evaluated images submitted to the competition by photographers and select finalist photographs for the exhibit. Visitors to the gallery can vote for the People's Choice. The 12 winning photographs and People's Choice will be announced during the Awards Reception on July 29. Visit www.artspaceherndon.org.

MONDAY/JULY 30

Baby Steps Storytime. 10:30 a.m. at

Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. An interactive storytime for you and your child. Age 12-23 months with adult. No registration required. Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

Open Orchestra Rehearsals. 7:30 p.m. at Sunset Hills Montessori School, 11180 Ridge Heights Road, Reston. Join members of the Reston Community Orchestra for open rehearsals during July and August. For those who have wondered what it would be like to play with the Reston Community Orchestra, looking for a chance to play between seasons or semesters or who have an instrument that's collecting dust but keeps calling them to come back. Music and stands provided. \$20 per session; \$75 for all four. Register at restoncommunityorchestra.org/2017-2018-concert-series/open-rehearsals.

TUESDAY/JULY 31

Red Cross Blood Drive. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. The American Red Cross will be at Reston Regional Library, consider donating the gift of life. Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

Wild West (Science Tellers). 2:30 p.m. at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Science Tellers presents an action-packed Western adventure with science experiments. Cosponsored by the FGMRL. Age 6-12. Registration is open. Visit librarycalendar.fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-689-2700.

WEDNESDAY/AUG. 1

Dog Days of Summer. 4-7 p.m. in the Pavillion at Reston Town Center. Dogs and owners can frolic in the Pavillion when it is transformed into an off-leash play area each week. Treats, toys, areas to cool off, pet-friendly giveaways, and more. Free. Visit restontowncenter.com.

FRIDAY/AUG. 3

Totally Trucks. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at RA's Central Services Facility, 12250 Sunset Hills Road, Reston. Check out all the big trucks that Reston Association uses to make Reston beautiful. In addition, there may be a police and fire truck on display. Children will receive a "Totally Trucks" construction helmet. Horn free hour 8:30-9:30 a.m. Rain or shine. \$1 per person, 0-2 years old; \$2 per person, 3 and older. Register through web1.vermontsystems.com/wbwsc/varestonhoawt.wsc/splash.html, email Ashleigh@reston.org or call 703-435-6577.

Summerbration Concerts. 7-9 p.m. at Reston Station, in the open-air plaza atop Wiehle-Reston East Metro. Reston Community Center's Summerbration featuring Anthony Swamp Dog Clark. Parking is free in the ParkX parking garage from 6:30-9:30 p.m. during the concerts. Visit www.restoncommunitycenter.com or call 703-390-6166.

SATURDAY/AUG. 4

Concerts on the Town: Chubby Carrier & the Bayou Swamp Band. 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.

MONDAY/AUG. 6

Open Orchestra Rehearsals. 7:30 p.m. at Sunset Hills Montessori School, 11180 Ridge Heights Road, Reston. Join members of the Reston Community Orchestra for open rehearsals during July and August. For those who have wondered what it would be like to play with the Reston Community Orchestra, looking for a chance to play between seasons or semesters or who have an instrument that's collecting dust but keeps calling them to come back. Music and stands provided. \$20 per session; \$75 for all four. Register at restoncommunityorchestra.org/2017-2018-concert-series/open-rehearsals.

WEDNESDAY/AUG. 8

Dog Days of Summer. 4-7 p.m. in the Pavillion at Reston Town Center. Dogs and owners can frolic in the Pavillion when it is transformed into an off-leash play area each week. Treats, toys, areas to cool off, pet-friendly giveaways, and more. Free. Visit restontowncenter.com.

THURSDAY/AUG. 9

Alzheimer's Association Raffle. 6-9:30 p.m. at Jimmy's Old Town Tavern, 697 Spring St., Herndon. Raffle fundraiser for Alzheimer's Association Walk To End Alzheimer's in Northern Virginia. Free admission. Visit www.alz.org/walk.

FRIDAY/AUG. 10

Summerbration Concerts. 7-9 p.m. at Reston Station, in the open-air plaza atop Wiehle-Reston East Metro. Don't just watch, get up and learn dance steps from a pro at Reston Community Center's Summerbration featuring Scott Kurt & Memphis 59 with country dancers (dancing and instruction). Parking is free in the ParkX parking garage from 6:30-9:30 p.m. during the concerts. Visit www.restoncommunitycenter.com or call 703-390-6166.

NextStop Theatre Presents Musical 'Amour'

Observing a special anniversary with a special engagement.

BY DAVID SIEGEL
THE CONNECTION

With its 30th anniversary as a Herndon performing arts organization approaching, NextStop Theatre will be producing the area premiere of the multi-Tony Award nominated musical fantasy "Amour."

The music of "Amour" was composed by Michael Legrand, the widely praised French creator of innovative music such as pop hits like "The Windmills of Your Mind," and "What Are You Doing the Rest of Your Life." The production is sung through with about 20 musical numbers; there is no spoken dialogue.

The "Amour" theatrical production is part of NextStop's month of August celebration of its 1988 founding as the community-based Elden Street Players, noted Evan Hoffmann, NextStop producing artistic director. "Amour" will be a very special all-volunteer event with cast and creative team



Teresa Danskey featured as Isabelle in the NextStop Theatre all-volunteer production of "Amour."



Ryan Khatcheressian featured as Dusoleil in the NextStop Theatre all-volunteer production of "Amour."



Evan Hoffmann, producing artistic director, NextStop Theatre.

COURTESY OF NEXTSTOP THEATRE

Where and When

NextStop Theatre presents "Amour" performing at 269 Sunset Park Drive, (Inside the Sunset Business Park), Herndon. Performances: Aug. 3-26, 2018. Friday at 8 p.m.; Saturdays Aug. 4, 11, and 25 at 8 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 18 at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.; Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets: General Admission: \$30. Call 866-811-4111 or visit www.nextstoptheatre.org

the less fortunate around him. As a result his own life changes for the better too.

The character Dusoleil is played by veteran Northern Virginia actor Ryan Khatcheressian. Dusoleil thinks himself almost invisible saying to no one in particular, "I don't deserve your attention." His new ability to walk through walls can cause havoc to those who have been mean to him such as his boss. Then Dusoleil also falls in love with Isabelle, a woman in an unhappy marriage. Will their lives be fulfilled for the better? Isabelle is portrayed by Teresa Danskey

In an interview, DuGan described "Amour" as a "sweet love story about a man who finally finds love. It is whimsical show; a light happy fun show though it does have some sad moments. It is great summertime entertainment." DuGan added, "Amour" is a perfect fit for NextStop.

composed of many Elden Street Players alum. In 2013, the then Elden Street Players moved into the professional ranks of D.C. area theatre troupes becoming NextStop Theatre Company.

"Amour" is based upon a French fable about a lovelorn man. The production will welcome some of the Elden Street Players artistic collaborators; actors and creative team members. Helming the production and its thirteen member cast is veteran director

Gloria DuGan, who Hoffmann calls a "powerhouse." The music director is Blake Brophy with choreography by Jeannie Torress.

"Amour" is set in Paris shortly after World War II. The featured character is a shy, unassuming clerk who mysteriously develops the ability to walk through walls. He challenges himself to be a decent, moral person with his new powers. He also decides to help others better their lives including

Reston Historic Trust & Museum Acquires Lakeside Pharmacy Icons

The Lake Anne of Reston Condominium Association has donated the icons of the Lakeside Pharmacy, an original Lake Anne Plaza store, to the Reston Historic Trust & Museum.

The New York graphic design firm of Chermayeff and Geismar (now Chermayeff, Geismar & Haviv) designed most of the original storefronts on Lake Anne Plaza, including the Lakeside Pharmacy, an original Lake Anne Plaza store. Chermayeff and Geismar were also responsible for creating the logos for NBC and PBS.

While the main purpose of the Lakeside Pharmacy icons was advertising, the icons are characteristic of the 1960s Pop Art aesthetic and reflected Bob Simon's inclination that the plaza's sculpture be fun. The oversized depictions of items commonly sold in a 1960s drugstore advertised the pharmacy that also contained a fountain counter and a post office substation. Larry Cohn was the pharmacist and owner for 44 years until his retirement in 2014. The building will soon be occupied by new businesses. Since the icons do not reflect the new

businesses it was decided to remove the icons from the façade. In order to preserve these important icons the Lake Anne of Reston Condominium Association donated the icons to the Reston Historic Trust & Museum in July 2018. On July 17, 2018, the icons were removed by Capitol Museum Services and placed in storage until they can be reinstalled in a new location at Lake Anne Plaza. The installation being designed by Jeanne Krohn, who designed the Reston Historic Trust & Museum's interior. It is imperative that these icons remain at Lake Anne Plaza, which was placed on the National Register of Historic Places last year. The icons are an important part of Lake Anne Plaza's history, represent an original store that conducted business for more than 40 years, and an example of Chermayeff and Geismar's work. The Reston Historic Trust & Museum will shortly be raising funds to assist in the preservation of the pharmacy icons so that they will remain on Lake Anne Plaza. Contact the Reston Historic Trust & Museum at 703-709-7700 or at info@restonmuseum.org if you have any questions.



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The Reston Historic Trust & Museum will shortly be raising funds to assist in the preservation of the pharmacy icons so that they will remain on Lake Anne Plaza.

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PET CONNECTION

Admiral and Clint were greeted with a new employee welcome party featuring a pop-up dog park in the lobby of PenFed's Tysons Corner Headquarters. From left: Clint, Emma Phillips, Lisa Jennings, Admiral, Debra Dougherty (Canine Companions for Independence).

PHOTOS CONTRIBUTED



PenFed Welcomes Assistance Dogs

Credit Union launches Assistance Dogs in Training Program.

PenFed Credit Union, the nation's second-largest federal credit union, launched a new program in partnership with Canine Companions for Independence welcoming two puppies, Admiral III and Clint III, as assistance dogs in training. The new partnership kicked off at the company's Tysons Corner headquarters with a welcome party and tour for the new canine members of the PenFed team and was followed by the dogs visiting the company's Alexandria Service Center location. Admiral will be based in Tysons Corner and Clint in Alexandria.

"PenFed is proud to work with Canine Companions and provide support to children, adults and veterans with disabilities. We are especially proud to support the men and women who have served our country and protected our freedoms," said James Schenck, PenFed Credit Union president and CEO. "Admiral and Clint are part of a mission to help open doors for people with disabilities to become more independent. They also provide unconditional love, companionship, and loyalty. We are committed to this program and making it work for our employees who are donating their time to raise these dogs for a very noble cause and plan to expand the program to our Omaha and Eugene locations."

PenFed has provided \$60,000 in funding to Canine Companions in the last year and is covering all costs associated with the puppies for the two employee volunteer dog raisers.

THE PUPPIES will learn basic commands and socialization skills by accompanying PenFed's first volunteer assistance dog raisers Lisa Jennings, senior executive vice president, and Emma Phillips, university relations and campus recruitment lead, to work every day and by joining all of their personal activities.

"With every gift given there is a responsibility to give to others," said Jennings, who is also a volunteer member of "Pets on Wheels," an organization of the Fairfax County Area Agency on Aging where pets visit and support people living in nursing homes and assisted living facilities. "I'm excited to raise Admiral as one of PenFed's first volunteer dog raisers as it's an opportunity to improve a life not just for a few moments, but for years to come."

The PenFed volunteer dog raisers will spend the next 18 months raising Admiral and Clint as part of the PenFed family to prepare them for the next



Admiral and Clint receive their official employee ID badges.



Admiral (front) and Clint (back) enter through the front doors at the PenFed Headquarters in Tysons Corner, and are welcomed by their new colleagues.

step in the program, where they will spend an additional six months with Canine Companions professional instructors learning over 40 advanced commands that are useful to a person with disabilities.

"We're excited to form this new partnership with the employees of PenFed Credit Union, and we congratulate them for their ongoing compassion and commitment to helping people with disabilities," said Debra Dougherty, Canine Companions northeast region executive director.

FOR THE LAST 43 YEARS, Canine Companions has been committed to providing four different types of highly trained assistance dogs to those in need at no cost. Assistance dogs assist adults with physical disabilities by performing daily tasks. Hearing dogs alert their partners, who have a hearing disability, to important sounds. Facility dogs work with clients with special needs in a visitation, education, criminal justice or health care setting. Skilled companions enhance independence for children and adults with physical, cognitive and developmental disabilities.

To learn more about PenFed Credit Union, visit PenFed.org

For more information about Canine Companions for Independence visit www.cci.org or call 1-800-572-BARK.

BULLETIN

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

WEDNESDAY/JULY 25

Online Reputation Management Strategies. 8:30-10 a.m. at Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce, 886 Metro Center Drive, Suite 230, Reston. Having a positive online reputation is playing an increasingly important role in business success today. Rick Hogan, CEO and Co-Founder of Bleevit Interactive LLC, will provide a deep dive into online reputation management. \$15 for visitors; free for members. Visit www.restonchamber.org for more.

THROUGH AUG. 3

Public Comment Period. The Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority is hosting three public hearings to inform and solicit comments from the community about proposed toll rate increases along the Dulles Toll Road. An "online open house" will be available at www.dullestollroad.com/toll/toll-setting-process throughout the comment period. It will contain an explanation of the informational exhibits and a comment form. Comments may also be submitted at the public hearings, via email to dtcomments@hntb.com or mailed during the comment period to: MWA Public Comment Period, c/o HNTB, 2900 South Quincy St., Suite 600, Arlington, VA 22206.

WEDNESDAY/AUG. 8

Is Your Website Wasting Time? 8:30-10 a.m. at Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce, 886 Metro Center Drive, Suite 230, Reston. Jennifer Ferraro Randolph and Kevin Taylor, both of cbd-x, will explore the hidden power of the website's backend, and the benefits of tapping that power for small and medium-sized businesses. Visit restonchamber.org for more.

WEDNESDAY/AUG. 15

Candidate Filing Deadline. 5 p.m. Reston Community Center (RCC) is seeking interested candidates to run for seats on its Board of Governors. The Board of Governors is a nine-member body responsible for oversight of RCC. All residents of Small District 5, ages 18 or older, are eligible to run for appointment to the RCC Board of Governors. Candidates must complete a Candidacy Statement in order to have their names placed on the Preference Poll ballot. Visit www.restoncommunitycenter.com or call 703-476-4500.

WEDNESDAY/AUG. 22

2018-2019 Social Media Trends. 8:30-10 a.m. at Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce, 886 Metro Center Drive, Suite 230, Reston. With 4 billion people around the world now online, new digital behaviors are emerging. To keep up, business owners need to rethink their strategies, create new capabilities, and quickly adapt. Rachel Adler will present her expert analysis of the major trends in digital and social and share how businesses can take advantage of the biggest opportunities in 2018 into 2019. Visit restonchamber.org for more.

SUPPORT GROUPS

Parent Support Partners, a service of the Healthy Minds Fairfax initiative, are all parents who have received training and are qualified to offer education, support and assistance at no cost to families or caregivers. They provide reliable information that families can use in decision-making and are familiar with services and resources that can help families in distress. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/healthymindsfairfax or www.nami-northernvirginia.org/parent-peer-support.html.

ONGOING

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.

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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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'Inclusion Revolution' Comes to Area

Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Virginia at Reston Town Center raises funds and awareness.

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Officers from Fairfax County Police Department came out in full force Saturday morning, July 21 to support the inaugural Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Virginia at Reston Town Center. Law enforcement agencies are among the largest supporters of Special Olympics, and the Fairfax County Police Department proved to be no exception.

The grassroots event is more than a run. Funds raised help the organization fulfill its mission to change attitudes toward people with intellectual disabilities and provide year-round sports training, competition, leadership opportunities, and health services to more than 21,000 athletes in Virginia of all abilities.

Ellen Head, Senior Director of Development for Special Olympics Virginia was on hand at Saturday's Torch Run. In an interview, Head told how 100 percent of the proceeds from this event would go to support Special Olympics Virginia. Although Special Olympics is one of the top three recognized brands, Head stated, "People have no clue Special Olympics is not a one-day event, and it is not just for kids."

"There is some sport going on nearly every day, and we have tons of different sports," said Head. "Powerlifting, soccer, swimming, basketball, even sailing. The events give our athletes a place to compete. It's about social engagement and the building of self-confidence which transcends other aspects of their lives." Special Olympics provides opportunities, removes isolation and improves health, skills and abilities.

Head pointed out that anyone who participates in the Special Olympics is an athlete, and most of the athletes are not children but adults over the age of twenty-two.

Colonel Edwin C. Roessler Jr., Chief of Police Fairfax County mingled with the ath-

letes and their families at the Reston Pavilion before the start of the 1.43-mile run. Roessler was recently named Chair for Virginia Special Olympics Law Enforcement 2018-2019. "We are proud to support our Special Olympic athletes in Fairfax and throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia," Roessler said. "The funds raised directly provide wellness care to all and this is a global effect."

The athletes are the soul of Special Olympics. Ricky Portillo of Fairfax stood ready to participate in the inaugural torch run. Wearing an athlete's green t-shirt, Portillo shook hands with Roessler Jr., and got a photo with him.

Like many Special Olympics athletes, Portillo competes in several sports year-round and has done so year after year. "Ricky does everything," said his mother, Miriam Portillo. "He plays golf, baseball, skis, kayaks and more."

Head told the crowd that not only was today the Law Enforcement Torch Run but it was the 50th Anniversary of Special Olympics. Head shared there was a new movement at Special Olympics, an "Inclusion Revolution." The organization's website describes its renewed purpose to "End Discrimination Against People with Intellectual Disabilities and Create Inclusive Communities ... Special Olympics is moving from an organization for people with intellectual disabilities to a social inclusion movement led by Special Olympics athletes."

Joey Wheeler of Lorton was the Athlete Speaker for the torch run. Wheeler led the crowd in the Special Olympics Athlete Oath. "Let me win. But if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt."

With that said, Wheeler stepped off the stage with the torch to lead his fellow athletes, Fairfax police, family and friends in the inaugural Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Virginia.

To get involved with Special Olympics Virginia, visit www.specialolympicsva.org or call 800-932-4653.



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At the inaugural Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Virginia at Reston Town Center held on Saturday, July 21, 2018, athlete Joey Wheeler of Lorton accepts the Flame of Hope from Colonel Edwin C. Roessler Jr., Chief of Police, Fairfax County Police Department before the start of the run.



PHOTO BY MIKE PERSICO/FCPD

Athletes participate in the inaugural Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Virginia at Reston Town Center held on Saturday, July 21, 2018.



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The colors are presented by the Fairfax County Police Honor Guard at the inaugural Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Virginia at Reston Town Center on July 21, 2018.



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Timothy Field, Assistant Commander McLean District Station Fairfax County Police Department sings "The Star-Spangled Banner" during the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Virginia at Reston Town C

Fallen Tree Destroys Car at North Shore Drive

Saturday's storm brought down this large oak tree, completely blocking North Shore Drive and destroying one car. It happened about 50 yards up North Shore from Lake Anne Elementary School.

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