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Unity in Faith. During the service for the victims of the Temple of Life and the Kroger store shootings, the hosts at the Temple Rodef Shalom in Falls Church invited the representatives of the many faiths who had gathered in unity to come forward and “stand as one.”



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Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova and Police Chief Ed Roessler were among those who attended the service. Both the Chairman and the Chief participated in the ceremony, each lighting a candle for one of the victims.

“This is the Sound of One Voice”

Thousands gather in unity to honor latest victims of gun violence.

BY ANDREA WORKER
THE CONNECTION

Thousands gathered at Temple Rodef Shalom in Falls Church on Tuesday evening, answering an invitation to “all neighbors, friends, interfaith and community partners to our service of solidarity, community and comfort.”

All ages, all walks of life, all faiths, all ethnic backgrounds, they filled the Temple’s main sanctuary, adjacent meeting rooms, social hall and livestreaming venues to honor the lives of those lost at the mass shooting at Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh, Pa. on Oct. 27, and at a Kroger grocery store in Louisville, Kentucky, just days before, and to seek comfort and healing by coming together.

Senior Rabbi Amy Schwartzman, Cantor Michael Shochet, Cantor Rachel Rhodes and others expressed their “heartfelt gratitude and welcome” to the thousands who “came together despite any differences” to demonstrate their common humanity.

Yasmina, from Herndon, is a member of the All Dulles Area Muslim Society (Adams). “It is beautiful, everyone together, even if just to share our sadness,” she said. “May it continue to be so.”

Before beginning the service, Shochet called on the attendees to “turn to each other and introduce yourselves.” Schwartzman, who led much of the service, repeated that call, with the reminder that the many faiths represented there shared the mandate to “welcome the strangers among us, to stand together.

“This is the America we affirm tonight,” said Schwartzman. “This is the America we work to reclaim.”

Members of the Temple shared their religious home with elected officials from ev-

ery level. Sen. Mark Warner was among the federal representatives.

The Commonwealth’s contingent included a full complement of the region’s State delegates and senators, and a number of Fairfax County’s supervisors, including Chairman Sharon Bulova. Fairfax County Police Chief Ed Roessler was in attendance, as were officers from the McLean District station, including commander Capt. Alan Hanson.

As welcome as the presence of “those who serve us in so many capacities” was on the occasion, there were no political speeches on the night or calls to action other than to “be the blessing,” as Schwartzman urged all to continue to nurture their common bonds.

In all, it was a simple ceremony. With only a piano and a violin as accompaniment, the cantors, the choir, and often-times the congregants sang songs for healing and unity and listened and participated in

Lighting Candles for Those Killed

A representative from each “community” – religious, elected, civic and others – joined the organizers to light a candles for those who were killed, speaking the name of one lost as each candle was lit.

Victim

Joyce Fienberg
Richard Gottfried
Rose Mallinger
Jerry Rabinowitz

Cecil Rosenthal
David Rosenthal
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Sylvan Simon

Irving Younger
Melvin Wax
Daniel Stein
Maurice Stallard*
Vickie Jones*

* Stallard and Jones were the two African-American grandparents killed at the Kroger store in Kentucky

Candle Representative

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Gun Violence Prevention Advocates
Youth
Conservative Judaism
County Officials
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Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society

prayers for the same, and for those in law enforcement.

After the candles were lit, the “Mourner’s Kaddish,” the traditional prayer to honor the deceased, was recited. The prayer focuses on life, and acts as a reminder that those who mourn do not mourn alone, and many of those mourners were brought to tears before the last words of the Kaddish had finished echoing in the temple. More emotion followed as Cantors Shochet and Rhodes, with singer/guitarist Robbie Schaefer sang the song “One Voice,” with it haunting melody and lyrics that captured the spirit of the gathering.

“This is the sound of one voice, One people, one voice, A song for everyone of us, This is the sound of one voice.”

With a final Benediction, the attendees were sent forward with thanks, blessings, and the hope that they would continue to be “one voice” no matter who they are or what they believe.



Sen. Mark Warner (D-Va.) attended the service at Temple Rodef Shalom. Representing National Officials, Warner lit the candle in remembrance of victim Bernice Simon.



Urged to go forth and be “one voice, one community,” the thousands who attended the service to honor the lives lost at Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh, and at the Kroger grocery store in Louisville, did just that – spilling out around the Temple and on the streets, stopping to talk, to chat with neighbors and strengthen new connections.

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The revised
site plan for
the Fairfax
Gateway
mixed-use
development.



'This Is Exactly What We Want There'

City Council approves
changes to Fairfax
Gateway plan.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

In 2015, the Fairfax City Council approved Novus Fairfax Gateway LLC's application to transform part of the Kamp Washington triangle between Fairfax Boulevard and Lee Highway into a modern, community-serving, mixed-use project.

Since then, its new developer, FF Realty IV LLC, made several revisions; and following a Sept. 11 public hearing, Council approved them. Now, if all goes well, the re-named Fairfax Gateway project should begin construction next spring.

Initially planned for the 8.33-acre site were 403 multifamily apartments, 24 of which would be affordable dwelling units. Also slated were 29,000 square feet of first-floor commercial uses – 25,000 square feet would be for retail and a restaurant, and a 4,000-square-foot office space would be dedicated to the nonprofit CASA (Court-Appointed Special Advocates).

The commercial space and three- and four-story buildings would front on Lee Highway and Fairfax Boulevard. Five-story buildings would be centrally located, and a seven-story parking garage would have a pool on top. Some 11,000 square feet of residential amenities were also envisioned.

But in February, the applicant asked to amend the project. The new proposal maintains all the apartment and affordable-housing units. But it features a more varied mix of apartments, including 43 studios, 179 one-bedroom, 169 two-bedroom and 12 three-bedroom. One story was shaved off the parking garage, and 50 additional, on-street, parking spaces are scattered throughout the site.

The commercial space has been reduced to just 21,249 square feet, including the

4,000 square feet for CASA. The remaining 17,249 square feet of commercial use is proposed as a restaurant, plus ground-floor retail and office space. The reduction is estimated to result in 746 less vehicle trips/day than initially anticipated.

One of the previously approved buildings has been removed from the plan and converted to 14,000 square feet of open space. Another building's footprint has been revised, and the pool has moved from the roof of the garage to behind one of the other buildings. A dog park was added, but pedestrian bridges connecting three buildings were eliminated.

THE PLAN also contains a through street with a connection at the Bevan Drive signal at Fairfax Boulevard, plus a new, unsignalized entrance on Lee Highway. The community's road network will then correspond to the future redevelopment of the rest of the Kamp Washington triangle, while treating the section connecting Lee Highway to Fairfax Boulevard with several, traffic-calming elements to reduce cut-through traffic.

Also planned are trails connecting to adjacent properties, plus open space including a 5,600-square-foot contemplative space next to the Jermantown Cemetery. Fairfax Gateway will maintain this space and the cemetery for 30 years.

At the September public hearing, Jason Sutphin, the City's Community Development chief, said the project is estimated to yield 53 students, but the developer has proffered \$200,000 to the City schools in mitigation. He also noted that the Board of Architectural Review wanted more balconies and other decorative elements added to the building facades.

Fairfax Gateway might also have a negative financial impact on Fairfax, Sutphin explained, because of residents needing City services, especially schools. And, added Brooke Hardin, director of Community Development & Planning, "The City would have to make infrastructure improvements

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'It's a Welcome Addition to the City'

Chubby Squirrel Brewing Co. is proving to be a hit.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

When choosing a vocation, people are often told to do what they love. Boyd Harrison took those words to heart and turned his love of beer and home brewing into a full-time career.

The result is Chubby Squirrel Brewing Co. at 10382 Willard Way in Fairfax's Courthouse Plaza. And Harrison, the head brewer and owner, couldn't be happier.

"I live here in the City and realized people had to go to Falls Church, Loudoun County or down I-95 to have a craft beer brewed in-house," he said. "So it seemed like a good fit for this community; and I wanted to do something small, with a local feel."

He'd worked in restaurants while majoring in hospitality and tourism at Virginia Tech and then did catering. He also got into home brewing and obtained a master's in tourism administration from GWU. "Having a background in food and hospitality –



Boyd Harrison, head brewer and owner of Chubby Squirrel Brewing Co., poses by the brewhouse equipment.

and having hotel-operations experience after college – it all came together with my beer making," said Harrison. "So I called [Fairfax City's Economic Development Director] Chris Bruno and asked if Fairfax had



Customer Andrew Schumpert holds a beer flight at Chubby Squirrel Brewing Co.

a brewery. He said no, but he wanted one in the City."

CHUBBY SQUIRREL had a soft opening, June 27, and its official grand opening and ribbon cutting was Oct. 11. "This is a pull-

yourself-up by your bootstraps operation," said Harrison. "We put in the time and effort to make sure everything's perfect, and we've had a very good reception and support from both the City and the community."

He said the brewery has "really begun carving out a niche in British style – dry stouts and extra-special bitters – and malty beers – our brown, big-flavor ale. But we've also expanded by adding IPAs, such as New England style and rye pale ale. You name it, we're brewing it."

Chubby Squirrel is also offering a Finnish sima – a sugar mead flavored with lemon. And this fall and winter, it will brew some Northern European beers and ales, such as its Weizenbock, a wheat ale that's a bit heavier and more malty than other ales.

"We have six fermenters on site, so we can make a wide range of beers," said Harrison. "The sky's the limit; our offerings are always changing. Especially popular are our Nut Thief Brown Ale, Black Squirrel Oatmeal Stout and Citra Pilsner. Those are the real standouts."

He said they make at least two beers a week, but offer six on draft at all times. But that's not all, Customers may also chow down on some hearty food to go with their

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As others have said, the election Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2018, may be the most important in our lifetime. But there is no reason to wait until Tuesday.

More than 50,000 Fairfax County residents have already voted, and you can join them between now and Saturday, Nov. 3, if you qualify for one of 20 reasons.

Absentee voting continues to be very busy. Last Saturday, Oct. 27, alone, 3,746 in-person voters voted at one of 10 absentee in-person voting locations.

EDITORIAL If you can't vote early, make a specific plan about what time you will vote, who you will go with or meet at the polls. Don't let the end of the day sneak up on you.

Polls are open on Election Day, Nov. 6, from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. If you are in line by 7 p.m., you have the right to vote, no matter how long it takes.

Vote early, in-person absentee, by appearing in person by 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3

If you qualify for any of about 20 reasons to vote absentee, there is no reason to wait until Election Day Nov. 6 to vote.

One of the 20 reasons is if you might be working and commuting to and from home for 11 or more hours between 6 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Election Day, which could be most of us on a bad traffic day. Check the Virginia Department of Elections list to see if you are eligible: <https://www.elections.virginia.gov/casting-a-ballot/absentee-voting/index.html>

Early Voting Locations, Dates and Hours

Through Saturday, Nov. 3 at the government center and satellite locations.

Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Conference

Room 2/3, Fairfax, VA, 22035
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and instructions on what to do so your vote can count. A voter will have until noon on the Friday following the election to deliver a copy of the identification to the local electoral board or to appear in person to apply for a Virginia Voter Photo ID Card.

For more information on voting in Fairfax County:

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On Constitutional Birthright to Citizenship

For all its snarkiness and grandstanding, this still may be of interest to our readers:

U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11), vice ranking member of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, sent the following message, along with a copy of the U.S. Constitution, to President Trump in response to his unconstitutional proposal to end birthright citizenship.

"Mr. President, your new Executive Order ending citizenship for children born in the U.S. is patently unconstitutional. I am sending you a copy of the Constitution. Knowing your aversion to reading, I have highlighted the 14th amendment for your convenience. We abide by this sacred text in America."

— MARY KIMM.

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Reduce Methane to Avert Catastrophe

Ken Plum's climate change blind spot: pipelines.

BY JON SOKOLOW

TAKING EXCEPTION

In two recent columns, Delegate Ken Plum noted that climate change warnings are too dire to ignore. He called for an end to coal subsidies, intensive green job development, a carbon tax and more renewable energy. For all of that, Plum should be commended.

Unfortunately, Plum was silent on two massive fracked methane elephants in the room: Dominion Energy's 600-mile Atlantic Coast Pipeline and EQT Corporation's 300-mile Mountain Valley Pipeline. These projects, with an estimated price tag of \$11 billion that

will be paid for by consumers, were approved by the Trump controlled Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in a process so shoddy that federal courts have voided multiple permits. As Sen. Tim Kaine has noted, two FERC commissioners concluded that there is no demonstrated public need for either pipeline.

Early pipeline construction activities have devastated the water and land resources of rural communities in Southwest Virginia, which, like the rest of Appalachia, has served as a sacrifice zone for

corporate greed for more than a century. A pipeline resistance movement has developed statewide and is growing every day.

Despite all of that, Gov. Ralph Northam refuses to stop these pipelines. And too many politicians seem to have a climate change blind spot when it comes to fracked methane.

Plum correctly observes that the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change recently issued a scathing report calling for drastic action to avoid climate disaster. But Plum omits the fact that the IPCC specifically targeted methane, stating that we must reduce

methane production by 35 percent from 2010 levels to avert catastrophe.

The reasons are clear. Methane is far more effective in trapping heat than carbon dioxide, making it 84 times more potent as a greenhouse gas than carbon dioxide over a 20-year period. The proposed pipelines would spew greenhouse gases equivalent to 46 coal fired plants.

In effect, politicians who fail to oppose these pipelines are climate deniers. Those are the inconvenient truths.

Another inconvenient truth: Dominion Energy is by far the largest campaign contributor to poli-

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Karen Hickman: "I really believe writing is thinking."

More Than a Good Story

**Karen Hickman's
books also teach
children how to write.**

BY TERESA CARANDANG

Karen Hickman always considered herself a writer. When she was in third grade, she wrote a proposal to her father that she needed a typewriter to get good grades. Hickman explained that at that time, she knew she was going to write stories and needed a typewriter to do it.

Today, Hickman has written four children's books. Her first book, "The Missing Caboose," (2014) was written for her grandson who loves trains and was her "consultant" explaining to her that passenger and freight trains cannot go together. Her nephew Patrick McLinden made the illustrations, including a sketch of the Manassas water tower so her grandson who lives in Manassas will recognize it.



Karen Hickman

HER NEXT BOOK, "Milton the Lighthouse Mouse," (2016) grew over a ten year period. Hickman was the writing resource teacher at Wakefield Elementary School in Arlington, and she designed Milton – who was a matchbox decoration that came with a plant she received as a Christmas present – as a tool to teach students the parts of a story, paragraphing, expanding details or whatever their lesson is for the day.

Hickman has an ongoing fascination with lighthouses and loves the sea. Not surprisingly, she decided to place Milton in a lighthouse, thinking it was an unusual setting for a mouse. Hickman has six grandchildren, and over the holidays, they were asking for more stories about Milton. This time the writing process was shorter and

"Milton's Cousins Come for Christmas" (2017) was completed in three months. Her most recent book, "Milton Saves the Bakery," which came out this October, was the result of one of Hickman's grandsons saying that her molasses cookie recipe should be shared with everyone.

"I feel like I grew up in the writing project, in terms of being a writer," explained Hickman, referring to the Northern Virginia Writing Project (NVWP) at George Mason University where she is co-director of its Young Writers and Family Programs. When she moved to Fairfax, she started with the office manager job at the NVWP which allowed her to come home early so she could be with her three children who were still young at that time. NVWP started out as a training program that showed teachers better techniques to teach writing in the classroom over the summer. Since then NVWP has branched out to teaching students of all ages during summer and Saturday workshops at George Mason University's Arlington and Fairfax campuses.

HICKMAN has 25 stories on file and hopes to have a book out every year. She is currently researching her next book which is targeted for young adults. It blends history and fiction. It's about a family that owns a bed and breakfast tavern on Route 236 and the plantation behind it during the war of 1812. She believes that this book will complement the history being taught in high school and hopes it will be enjoyable reading at the same time.

Hickman who has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Trinity College and a MS in Library Science from Catholic University of America clearly enjoys helping teachers and students write better. She is used to having five projects all at once but is adamant about writing daily. For those who share her passion for writing, Hickman's advice is to write every day, adding that "I really believe writing is thinking."

Gateway Plan Approved

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there for this use.”

But, said Mayor David Meyer, “There are also advantages to this project that we haven’t quantified financially – for example, the provision of affordable housing, the cemetery maintenance and the undergrounding of utilities. And, hopefully, this project will be a catalyst to development in the west end of the City.”

“We’re excited to bring this project to fruition in the City of Fairfax,” said land-use attorney Robert Brant, representing FF Realty (Fairfield). “These modifications won’t alter its character or quality. All the previous proffers have been carried forward, and City staff input has improved this application.”

Furthermore, he said, “This project will unmistakably have a positive impact on Kamp Washington and on the City as a whole. It’ll transform this area and provide the much-needed residential density to support the commercial uses there.” Besides the schools’ proffer, said Brant, the developer is contributing more than \$100,000 to Fairfax parks, plus \$25,000 toward a traffic study in that area.

“We’ll do streetscape improvements along Fairfax Boulevard and will also provide much-needed, multifamily housing options in the City for young professionals and empty-nesters wanting to downsize,” he said. “Fairfield is committed to realizing this development as soon as possible. We’ve already done a lot of the design work, ahead of time, so we’re ready to hit the ground running. If approved this evening, we anticipate filing a site plan within a week.”

Bryan Condie, vice president of Fairfield in Arlington, said they hope to start construction in March 2019, with an eye toward occupancy around December 2020.

COUNCILMAN Sang Yi asked why the retail uses were reduced, and Brant said, “There’s already a significant amount of retail/commercial here, and we don’t want to saturate the area with it. Brick-and-mortar retail is struggling.”

“But a lot of places in Kamp Washington are doing pretty well,” countered Yi. “More retail could provide more jobs and revenue.” But Condie said there’s currently no residential component there, and this development would provide it. He also said it would be difficult for people to access the retail uses there, anyway, because they’ll be internal on the site.

During public comments, resident Rick Dixon told the Council, “It’s not a retail site. You’ve got a class builder telling us what should go there – you should listen.”

Then Councilman Michael DeMarco made a motion to approve the project amendments, with Councilman Jon Stehle seconding. “This is exactly what we want to happen there,” said DeMarco.

Councilwoman Jennifer Passey agreed that residential is needed there, but Yi still decried the amount of proposed retail. However, said Councilwoman Janice Miller, “We already approved this project; this is just a modification of it.”

Added Councilwoman So Lim, “I feel like this project is appropriate for Kamp Washington.” The Council then voted 5-1 in favor of it, with just Yi voting no.

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CALENDAR

Submit entertainment announcements at www.connectionnewspapers.com/Calendar/. The deadline is noon on Friday. Photos/artwork encouraged.

ONGOING

Art Exhibit: "Less is More." Gallery hours, through Nov. 3 in Gallery 9 of the Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Road, Lorton. The Arches Gallery at the Workhouse Arts Center of Lorton Virginia is proud to feature "Less is More: A New Language Of Abstract Minimalism" by Gene Moty. The works on display embrace his less is more philosophy with a pure clean modern style that counterbalances today's frenetic pace of life with its contemplative energy. Visit www.genemoty.com.

Pop-Up Art show. Through Dec. 16 at Gallery 57, 11899 Grand Commons Ave., Fairfax. Emerging Artists Initiative and the Peterson Companies are partnering to bring an artistic and creative facet to the Fairfax community. A new pop-up art gallery at Fairfax Corner Center will be exhibiting paintings and sculptors by four resident artists in the vacant retail space. Free. Email director@eaiinc.org or visit eaiinc.org.

THURSDAY/NOV. 1

"Frequent, Certain, and Regular Elections" A Symposium. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. At Gunston Hall, 10709 Gunston Road, Mason Neck. George Mason wrote in the Virginia Declaration of Rights that representatives of the people should be chosen in "frequent, certain, and elections." With all of the talk about mid-terms, it's the perfect time to step back and look at the history of elections and voting in America. Cost is \$85 Registration, \$70 for Friends of Gunston Hall. Online Registration is open until 4 p.m. on Oct. 31, registration may be completed at the door after that time. Early registration prices available until Oct. 29. Visit www.eventbrite.com.

Accessibility Workshop. 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. At 1st Stage Theater, 3007, 1524 Spring Hill Road, McLean, in Tysons Corner. ARTSFAIRFAX will host a free workshop on accessibility designed to be practical in terms of the barriers people with disabilities face in experiencing the arts, but also inspirational in how some arts organizations are re-framing their approach to these audiences with new programs and services. Participants will hear from the

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FRIDAY-SATURDAY/NOV. 2-3

Wild Horse and Burro Event. Friday 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Saturday 8 a.m.-4 p.m. At Meadowood Recreation Area, 10406 Gunston Road, Lorton. Bureau of Land Management-Eastern States (BLM-ES) Northeastern States District will hold a wild horse and burro event providing wild horses and possibly a few yearling and burros. The event will potentially include sale-eligible animals. Purchasers receive immediate ownership of the animal on the day of the event. Call 1-866-4MUSTANGS (1-866-468-7826) or visit www.wildhorseandburro.blm.gov.

"The Story of Hansel and Gretel." Friday, Nov. 2 at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 3 at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. At The Stage at Holy Trinity Church, 850 Balls Hill Road, McLean. Cost is \$10. Delight over this sweet and charming musical adaptation. Sent into the woods, Hansel and Gretel meet up with a number of peculiar characters. Purchase tickets at bit.ly/oshanselgretel. Visit the website www.oakcrest.org.

SATURDAY/NOV. 3

Holiday Bazaar. 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at Sydenstricker United Methodist Church, 8508 Hooes Road, Springfield. Indoor yard sale with treasures at affordable prices. Homemade soups and baked goods-stay for lunch or take some home. Free admission. Call 703-451-8223 or visit www.sydenstrickermc.org.

Woodson Craft Show. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Woodson High School, 9525 Main St., Fairfax. Free. W.T. Woodson High School in Fairfax will host the 26th Annual Holiday Happenings Craft Show. This show features juried handmade arts and crafts with a diverse selection of: fine arts, jewelry, fiber arts, wood, photography, pottery, giftware, pet accessories, stress relief items and hundreds of holiday collectibles/decorations. There will be

approximately 100 exhibitors and admission is free for shoppers. All proceeds benefit the W.T. Woodson Crew Team (www.wtwcrew.org). Email Lesley Kowalski at woodsoncraftshow@gmail.com.

Book Event and Author Luncheon.

11 a.m.-2 p.m. at Springfield Golf & Country Club, 8301 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield. This annual event features four authors, lunch and a silent auction is sponsored by Fairfax City AAUW as a scholarship fundraiser for local women returning to college. \$42. Visit fairfaxcity-va.aauw.net to make reservations by Oct. 27.

Toast to Hope. 6:30-9:30 p.m. At Springfield Golf & Country Club, 8301 Old Keene Mill Road, West Springfield. Toast to Hope 2018 is celebrating SCAN's 30th anniversary. SCAN uses a secure transaction website for all donations related to Toast to Hope. Please explore the following opportunities. Visit www.scanva.org/support-scan/news-events/toast/.

Capital Wind Symphony. 7-9 p.m. At Ernst Community Cultural Center, 8333 Little River Turnpike, Annandale. Free. Join the Capital Wind Symphony at the Ernst Community Cultural Center in Annandale for the first concert of the season! Repertoire includes works by Wagner, Gianinni Chadwick, Fletcher, Mackey, and Gershwin. Visit the website <http://www.capitalwindsymphony.org>.

Tchaikovsky & Beethoven. 8 p.m. At GMU Center for the Arts Concert Hall. Featuring Tchaikovsky: Variations on a Rococo Theme with Amit Peled, cello; Bruch: Kol Nidrei; and Beethoven: Symphony No. 4. Voted by Musical America as one of the most influential musicians today, renowned cellist Amit Peled returns to share his artistry with the historic 1733 Gofriller Pablo Casals cello. There is a 7 p.m. discussion with the artists and music director Christopher Zimmerman. Visit www.fairfaxsymphony.org/nov03-peled/ for tickets.

SUNDAY/NOV. 4

Japanese Americans' Care Fund (NPO) Bazaar. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at American Legion Post 177, 3939 Oak St., Fairfax. The Japanese Americans' Care Fund will hold its annual fundraising bazaar. Admission is \$2; children 12 and under are free. Many items will be for sale; including used Japanese books and Manga, Japanese decorative items, kimonos

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Book Signing: Keegan Allen. Noon-3 p.m. in the Grand Court at Springfield Town Center. Keegan Allen, who is known for his role on "Pretty Little Liars" will make an appearance at Springfield Town Center for a signing of his book, "HOLLYWOOD: Photos and Stories from Foreverland." Allen will also speak about the book and answer questions. Barnes & Noble of Springfield will be hosting a pop-up on site, offering the opportunity to purchase the book during the event. Visit springfieldtowncenter.com.

WEDNESDAY/NOV. 7

Jeff Dunham Performs. 7-9 p.m. At Eaglebank Arena, 4500 Patriot Circle, Fairfax. Don't miss Jeff Dunham with Peanut, Walter, Achmed and Bubba J. on their all new "Passively Aggressive" North American tour. Tickets are \$51-\$67. Tickets on sale at www.jeffdunham.com. Visit www.jeffdunham.com/

FRIDAY/NOV. 9

NOVA Annandale Symphony Orchestra. 8 p.m. At Ernst Community Center, 8333 Little River Turnpike, Annandale. Under Music Director Christopher Johnston, the concert is sponsored by the

Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke (SCFB), the NOVA-Annandale Community College, and the Reunion Music Society. Tickets are \$15 Adults; \$10 students with IDs; Free for children 12 and under free. If you purchase tickets through the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke, a portion will help to support SCFB's programs and services. Call the SCFB office for ticket information at 703-426-2824.

SATURDAY/NOV. 10

Icelandic Christmas Bazaar. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at American Legion Post 177, 3939 Oak St., Fairfax. Icelandic arts and crafts, live music, Icelandic licorice and chocolates, famous Icelandic hot dogs, open faced sandwiches and crepes. Free admission. Visit www.icelandddc.com.

Fall Art Workshop for Teens/Adults. 10:30-12:30 p.m. at Woods Community Centre, 10100 Wards Grove Circle, Burke. Instructor Carol Zeitlin, drawing, watercolor, Chinese Brush & portfolio development. Visit www.czartlessons.com. Call 703-250-6930.

Fairfax History Conference. 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. At Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. Featuring "Years that Shook Our Nation and Fairfax County: 1868, 1918 and 1968." Join historians and re-enactors to unravel the stories and personalities from three critical years in American history: Reconstruction, World War I, and the tumultuous cultural changes of the 1960s. Registration: \$25. Email lynnegarveyhodge@gmail.com.

Let's Talk Turkey. 2-3:30 p.m. At Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Rd., Burke. Free. Chef Cal Kraft will share holiday recipes, including turkey, salad, stuffing, sides, desserts



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SATURDAY-SUNDAY/NOV. 10-11

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SUNDAY/NOV. 11

Women of Resilience. 2 p.m. at Fairfax Museum and Visitor's Center, 10209 Main Street, Fairfax. Free. Featuring "Women of Resilience: Daughters of the American Revolution Service in World War I." Join Tracy Elizabeth Robinson, CA, Director of Archives and History at the DAR Headquarters in Washington, D.C., for a talk on the different roles and services DAR

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Taste of Greater Springfield. 3-6 p.m. at Waterford Reception, 6715 Commerce St., Springfield. The Rotary Club of West Springfield is hosting their 6th Annual Taste of Greater Springfield event. Come hungry and enjoy food from many local restaurants. All proceeds go to scholarships and community service projects. \$30 for adults, \$25 for active duty/veterans, \$10 for ages 6-13. Purchase tickets online at rotaryofwestspringfield.org or contact Jim Kirkpatrick at 703-866-7078.

TUESDAY/NOV. 13

Fall Art Classes. 5:15-6:15 p.m. At Woods Community Centre, 10100 Wards Grove Circle, Burke. Registration for Fall Art Classes for Youth Classes (8 yrs & up). Next session starts Tuesday, Nov. 13. Call the instructor Carol Zeitlin at 703-250-6930 or www.czartlessons.com.
Fall Drawing Plus Color Class (5-8 yrs.). 6:15 p.m.- 7 p.m. at Woods Community Centre, 10100 Wards Grove Circle, Burke. Instructor Carol Zeitlin, drawing and watercolor. Visit www.czartlessons.com. Call 703-250-6930.

THURSDAY/NOV. 15

Historic Pohick Church Christmas Mart. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Pohick Episcopal Church, 9301 Richmond Highway, Lorton. The Parish House and the Vestry House will be transformed into a festive Christmas atmosphere. Colonial-attired ladies will serve luncheon at three sittings (11 a.m., noon and 1 p.m.) for \$13. Admission to the Christmas Mart is free. Visit www.pohick.org or call 703-339-6572.

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PEOPLE

Volunteer Fairfax Names New CEO

The Volunteer Fairfax board of directors has named Steve Mutty as the nonprofit's new chief executive.

"As Volunteer Fairfax approaches its forty-fifth anniversary, we are excited to have someone with Steve's experience and vision leading this organization," said Rick Garza, president of Volunteer Fairfax's board. "Steve has an extensive background in non-profit work, as an executive, as a fundraiser and as a volunteer," Garza said. "He is truly dedicated to helping others. He exemplifies the ideals of Volunteer Fairfax."

Mutty recently served as executive director of the Alexandria Seaport Foundation, a nonprofit that serves at-risk youth through adult mentoring and project-based learning.

Mutty's volunteer experience includes serving as Chairman of the Board of Best Buddies Capital Region, an organization that supports young people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, and he has served as a mentor for disabled young adults transitioning to independent living. He also sat on the fundraising event planning committees of Best Buddies International, the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society-National Capital Area and the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Real Estate Games.

Before working in the nonprofit sector, Mutty enjoyed a career in commercial real estate, holding senior positions with several

brokerage and advisory firms in the D.C. area. He has served on the boards of various public-private partnerships to promote business growth in the region and raised several million dollars in financial support and in-kind contributions to improve neighborhood playgrounds and recreation centers on behalf of the D.C. Building Industry Association.



Steve Mutty

MUTTY AND HIS WIFE raised their family in Fairfax County where he was on the boards of the Lake Braddock Secondary School crew club and the Virginia Scholastic Rowing Association. He was also Cubmaster for Pack 1100 in Springfield.

"I launched my career in Fairfax County," said Mutty. "My kids grew up here and had an excellent K-12 education in Fairfax County Public Schools. This is an opportunity for me to reciprocally make a significant impact in the county by taking a leadership role in tapping the huge pool of volunteerism out there. As our region continues to grow and prosper, there is an ever-growing need to strengthen and improve our communities, which can't be fully real-



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Volunteer Fairfax CEO Steve Mutty speaks with Sue Dussinger (a member of Volunteers for Change and RSVP Northern Virginia, both programs of Volunteer Fairfax), in front of the Volunteer Fairfax booth at the City of Fairfax

ized without matching volunteer talent and capacity to meaningful, impactful service opportunities."

In addition to being the public face of Volunteer Fairfax, Mutty's duties include managing an annual budget of 1.2 million dollars and overseeing a 14-person staff that is scheduled to move into its new headquarters in Fairfax City later this year.

Mutty earned his bachelor's degree in Management from Florida International University and has an Associate of Science degree in Culinary Arts from Johnson and Wales University.

VOLUNTEER FAIRFAX founded in 1974, is one of the largest volunteer organizations of its kind in the mid-Atlantic region. The organization engages thousands of volunteers of all ages each year that support more than 600 member nonprofits and agencies in Northern Virginia.

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ginia (NAMI), the National Korean American Service and Education Consortium, and OneVirginia2021. Register at <https://lwvfairfaxactionforum.eventbrite.com> The event is free and open to the public.

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News

**Fairfax residents
Jeff and Heather
Waye enjoy their
beer flights.**



Chubby Squirrel Brewing Opens in the City

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brews. The menu includes Poutine – French fries with cheese curds and gravy, fried macaroni-and-cheese bites, and boneless wings with Buffalo, parmesan, garlic or sweet-teriyaki sauce.

“One of the most popular food items is our Old Bay Pierogies with crab dip,” said Harrison. “Another big hit are our Schnitzel Sliders – King’s Hawaiian Rolls with sliced pork tenderloin breaded in panko breadcrumbs and fried. In colder weather, we’re adding chili; and if we open for early morning Saturday or Sunday, we’ll do a Finnish, ‘hangover stew’ called Nakkisoppa, with root vegetables and hot dogs.”

Also popular are the Nordic Knot Pretzels – French fries seasoned with sea salt, Cajun spice and truffle salt or Old Bay seasoning. Basically, said Harrison, “We serve comfort food designed to go with the beer.”

There’s seating inside and outside, plus plenty of parking in the lot. “We want this to be the community, neighborhood, beer hall; and so far, we’ve hit that goal on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays,” said Harrison. “On Saturdays, we also do good business, but have more visitors passing through, in addition to the locals.”

He said people like being there because “It’s a friendly, relaxed, come-as-you-are, kind of place. We also get lots of young families in here, and we really take care of our neighbors because I’m a neighbor, too. We’re not trying to be trendy – we just want people to get to know us, come back and appreciate that we’re trying to do a good job.”

Besides, added Harrison, Chubby Squirrel has good things to offer. “We make our beer here and use as much Virginia grain as possible,” he said. “It’s grown by Virginia farmers and malted by Murphy & Rude in Charlottesville. And our beer is made by locals.”

As for the customers, they’re delighted with both the brews and the place.

ON A RECENT EVENING, Heather and Jeff Waye were enjoying a beer sampler called a flight. “We both got a beer flight because we wanted to try everything,” explained Heather. “My favorites are the Lemon Drop and the lightest citrus beer. They’re both really crisp and refreshing and have a good flavor.”

Husband Jeff liked the Nut Thief Brown Ale. “It’s a really good and smooth English ale,” he said. “We’re really excited to have a brewery open up in Fairfax

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Employee Josh Paine pours a beer at Chubby Squirrel.

City; we’re big beer fans.”

And, added Heather, “We live across the street, so it’s nice to have more businesses come here.”

“Especially a brewery, because they’re really hot and trendy right now,” said Jeff. “So I think they’ll do well in the community.”

Fairfax’s Lawrence Michael also enjoyed the Nut Thief Brown Ale. “It’s well-balanced and light, but very crisp,” he said. “And it also has a 7.0 alcohol content, so it’s a strong beer, but light-tasting – which is rare for a dark ale.”

Furthermore, he said, “This place is a great complement to the rejuvenation of Fairfax City. There are many new bars, but no breweries here, until now. This should be a big attraction to the residents and to GMU. People can either walk or drive here, and it’s a welcome addition to the City.”

So where did the Chubby Squirrel name come from? One day, said Harrison, “While drinking a beer with a buddy in my backyard, we saw a fat squirrel dragging itself across the grass. And I said, ‘Hey, look at that chubby squirrel go!’”

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