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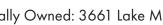
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# County administrator addresses bond funding rumors

BY HEATHER MICHON CORRESPONDENT

At the top of the Board of Supervisors meeting on Wednesday (Sept. 4), County Administrator Eric Dahl addressed rumors arising from the announcement of a public hearing before the Economic Development Authority (EDA) later this

The EDA is looking at issuing approximately \$3.7 million in tax-exempt bonds to the Soccer Organization Charlottesville Area (SOCA) for the construction of a new fieldhouse in Albemarle County.

Dahl said he had received some calls and emails from citizens wondering why Fluvanna bonds would be used to fund an Albemarle project. "The answer is: we're not funding it," he told supervisors.

Fluvanna County has a bank qualified bond issuing capacity of around \$10 million. None is earmarked for county projects in 2019.

The EDA is authorized to work as "a conduit" between the county and tax-exempt organizations in need of funding to use some of that lending capacity. Borrowers pay the EDA both an upfront fee and annual payments, and the fees then fund EDA's economic development work within the county.

This is not the first time the EDA has facilitated the issuing of bonds for entities outside the county.

Dahl reminded supervisors that the county had approved bonds for the Veritas School in Richmond and for Region Ten as recently as 2013.

Fluvanna resident Sam Patterson spoke during public comments and asked the supervisors not to support the bond issuance if it comes back to them for final approval later this year.

In his comments, Patterson argued that it "frankly sends all the wrong signals" to local soccer families for the county to fund new training facilities to benefit a

Patterson added the Fluvanna Youth Soccer Association (FYSA) doesn't have the resources SOCA already has and is about to lose its donated practice grounds in Zion Crossroads.

The EDA will hold its public hearing on the proposal on Thursday, Sept. 12 at 5 p.m. in the county administration building.

### New position

With 112 heating, ventilation, and cooling (HVAC) systems countywide, the supervisors have been looking into creating a position for a full-time HVAC specialist to join the public works department.

Jessica Rice, director of human resources, said the county currently pays \$142,000 per year to bring in a contractor to perform routine maintenance and repairs. By her estimates, hiring a specialist could save between 40-45 percent annually.

Supervisors voted 5-0 to approve Rice's proposed job description and pay proposals. The position will cost around \$62,000 in pay and benefits per year, and there will be a one-time cost of \$28,000 for a truck and tools.

The position was posted on the county website with an application closing date of Sept. 20.

### Fair report

Aaron Spitzer, director of parks and recreation, reported on the last month's county fair at Pleasant Grove.

Attendance ranged from approximately 6,000 to over 7,000 per day over the four-day event. Between gate sales, vendor space rentals, and carnival rides, the county brought in around \$25,300; total expenditures were \$15,600.

Spitzer highlighted the amount of time and energy that goes into planning the fair, staffing it, and cleaning it all up. He estimates he and his staff spent about 365 hours on the event. Members of the Fair Board, headed by Wade Parrish, contributed over 265 hours on it and raised and donated over \$23,000.

For next year, Spitzer recommended raising the gate ticket price from \$2 to \$3 and giving that extra dollar to the Fair Board for use in the following year's event. Currently, they receive no county funding.

He also recommended the Fair Committee be allowed to host a beer and wine garden on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., likely focusing on local wines and

While there was no formal motion, the supervisors signaled they supported his



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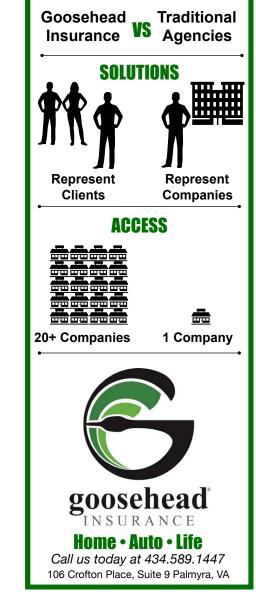
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# Fluvanna Chamber Minute: EDUCATING, **CONNECTING & PROMOTING Our County**

Ruthann Carr & Rudy Garcia, Fluvanna Chamber of Commerce

s you may know in January your principles. Those were that our Mission is to PROMOTE, EDUCATE and CONNECT our businesses and the local community.

Over the next few weeks we are adhering to that goal by having several events and activities that help **EDUCATE**, **CONNECT** and PROMOTE.

At the first of these events, your Chamber will be hosting a candidates' forum on September 16<sup>th</sup> for the Fluvanna County Treasurer's position. It is the only contested local office in Fluvanna County this election (November 5th). This event is designed to **EDUCATE** our citizens on who is running for the position. The details are listed in the graphic below.

The next event which your Chamber is helping to sponsor in conjunction with the Fluvanna County Economic Development Coordinator is the 4th Annual Ouad County Business Summit on October 2<sup>nd</sup> at Madison at the Mill in Orange County. This event will help EDUCATE, PRO-MOTE AND CONNECT our local businesses with resources available at low or no cost through multiple organizations.

A highlight of the event will be the QuadTank Pitch Competition. This competition targets both current businesses or a business idea looking for funding. Fluvanna businesses are eligible for a \$4,750 cash. Applicants will be scored using the Small Business Development Center growth wheel. The top three applicants will present to a panel of judges at Quad County Business Summit, with the winner taking home the entire prize. Learn more on www.QCBSummit.com or by contacting Bryan Rothamel in the **Economic Development Office!** 

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# Fluvanna County first in school enrollment growth over the last 10 years

BY MADELINE OTTEN CORRESPONDENT

On August 21, President of Free Enterprise Forum Neil Williamson published his report on the Local Government Spending Index (LGSI). The LGSI uses locality's self-reported spending and verified population data to generate an inflation-adjusted index comparing per capita expenditures. Free Enterprise Forum is a privately funded public policy organization in Charlottesville that studies government spending in central Virginia.

This study compares surrounding counties in the central Virginia area over a 20-year span: 1998 - 2018. The report states that the analysis seeks to develop and track over time an objective metric to capture the spending trend in each locality and determine if this trend can be correlated to other trends occurring within the locality.

# So why does this affect Fluvanna County?

Fluvanna County was one of the six localities for this study, along with Albemarle, Green, Louisa, Nelson Counties, and the City of Charlottesville. During the time of the study, Fluvanna County was the second fastest growing locality at 43.51 percent, just behind Louisa County at 46.43 percent. In addition to population, Fluvanna's school enrollment increased over 24%, making Fluvanna ranking in first in terms of school enrollment growth.

"This demographic phenomenon may be related to the type of residents each locality is attracting," Williamson noted in the report.

On the other hand, Fluvanna's rate of increase in inflation-adjusted per capita between 1998 and 2018 was 126.67 percent. The Merriam Webster dictionary defines inflation as "a continuing rise in the general price level usually attributed to an increase in the volume of money and credit relative to available goods and

At the start of the research in 1998 the county's inflation-adjusted per capita

spending was \$1,911.98. In 2018 it was \$2,421.97 resulting as the lowest of any of the areas studied. The county's per capita spending was behind the other localities in the region during the 20-year study. In addition to lagging the other areas, Fluvanna also experienced the highest rate of growth in inflation adjusted spending in the region at 81.78 percent.

"The rapid population growth, which is often blamed for increased operating spending, mitigates some of this spending increase on the LGSI calculations, with the result being that Fluvanna County was in the middle of the pack with the third-highest LGSI (125.18) in 2018 in the region," the report stated.

Fluvanna's highest LGSI was in 2015, along with Louisa County. Albemarle, Greene, and the City of Charlottesville hit their largest LGSI in 2009. But the City of Charlottesville is still at top spending more per capita than its surrounding localities.

"What I think is happening is, as the

counties urbanize, they're starting to pick up some of those costs that Charlottesville has been carrying all this time," Williamson said. "Not all of them, but some of them, and that's why you're seeing some of those blips coming through when you look at Fluvanna and Nelson, to a lesser extent."

According to his report, the LGSI is modeled after the economic methodology used to calculate the Consumer Price Index. The Consumer Price Index is a measure of the average change over time in the prices paid by urban consumers for a market basket of consumer goods and

Williamson hopes that his report will help those gain interest in their local government activity and promote discussion regarding the financial impacts of government choices and decisions.

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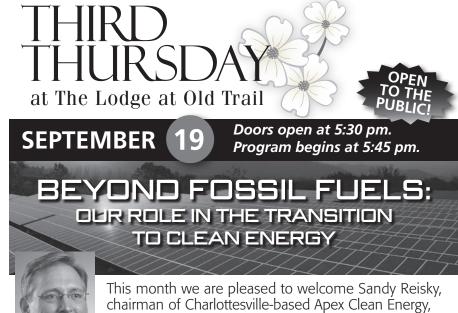
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## **Assault weapons unnecessary**

Dear Editor:

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It would be cruel to call his disconnected comments laughable, but they were, unfortunately, unsuccessfully searching for some elusive linkage in logic, somehow inaccurately suggesting a decline in mass shootings and concluding that: "The answer is

probably nothing can be done as it relates to gun deaths without dramatic losses of liberty." He further suggests that, "Democrat (sic) candidates will all promise to do the impossible but . . . the result will be more deaths of innocents, not fewer . . ."

The problem of the increased frequency of mass shootings is a complex one which does not lend itself to easy or perfect responses, but, is a cycle with a central commonality; the easy, totally unnecessary availability of assault weapons and extended magazines! To suggest that the problem, or its solution, is a Democratic versus Republican problem interrelated with political control of the General Assembly, or that by enacting more gun control laws will . . . "infringe on the liberty of law abiding citizens and have no impact on saving lives," is simply wrong. In a democratic society, there is no perfect law, as compromise is the essential lubricant of effective legislation. Unfortunately, the Republican majorities at the state and federal levels have for years both been unwilling to compromise and unable to craft virtually any effective leg-

The 2nd Amendment, as with many constitutional amendments, has failed to keep up with the times and, like the 1st, requires practical modification in the interest of public safety. In our civil society there is no rational need or justification for the ownership or possession of weapons that enable the speedy mass killing of our fellow citizens.

John Neighbours, Palmyra

### Gun related deaths appalling

Robert Harris' pro-gun letter in the Fluvanna Review is absurd. Like so many who cite similar rhetoric they ignore basic facts related to the Second Amendment and likewise seek to alter 240 years of U.S. history. They also ignore the indisputable fact that the amount of gun-related deaths in the U.S. is appalling. On average, there is a mass shooting every day in America. There were 39,773 gun deaths in 2017, or over 100 people per day. The U.S.

has, by far, more firearm homicides per capita than anywhere else on the planet.

Does the Second Amendment support such villainy? Of course not. As every student of history knows, the Second Amendment had everything to do with preserving the right of states to have militias – and nothing to do with preventing states from enacting gun-control laws to protect its citizens. It was fear of a federal

army that prompted the wording of the Second Amendment. Think otherwise go to Alexander Hamilton in Federalist Paper number 29 - where he explains why the amendment is written as it is. For decades, for generations, for over a century there was no misunderstanding of these words. Then after World War II the gun industry had millions of weapons and no military to buy them. Their solu-

Dr. Jeffrey Hantman, Professor Emeritus of Anthropology at UVA and author of "Monacan Millennium: A Collaborative Archaeology and History of a Virginia Indian People," spoke about his book to an audience of 85 people on Sunday, Sept. 8.

A lengthy question-and-answer session followed the lecture, and the author stayed to autograph copies of his book and chat with guests individually. The lecture was hosted by the Fluvanna Historical Society.

"Dr. Hantman's lecture was fascinating and informative," said Fluvanna Historical Society Director Tricia Johnson. "The question-and-answer session was particularly robust and was a testament to the great interest visitors took in Dr. Hantman's lecture and his book."

tion, their blasphemy is best summed up by former Chief Justice Warren Burger, "The Gun Lobby's interpretation of the Second Amendment is one of the greatest pieces of fraud, I repeat the word fraud, on the American people by special interest groups that I have ever seen in my lifetime. The real purpose of the Second Amendment was to ensure that state armies - the militia - would be maintained for the defense of the state. The very language of the Second Amendment refutes any argument that it was intended to guarantee every citizen an unfettered right to any kind of weapon he or she desires.

So how does the Supreme Court interpret the second amendment today? There are two relevant cases: The Supreme Court did rule in 2010 that the Second Amendment extends to private citizens who aren't in militias - but that same ruling, McDonald v. Chicago, also found that gun regulations are well within the bounds of the Second Amendment. Also, in District of Columbia v. Heller the court held that the Second Amendment protects an individual's right to keep and bear arms, unconnected with service in a militia, for traditionally lawful purposes, such as self-defense within the home. It also stated that the right to bear arms is not unlimited and that guns and gun ownership would continue to be regulated.

There are many states that fully exercise their right to strictly enforce gun control. Unfortunately Virginia is not one of these - as was so vividly seen two years ago in Charlottesville when armed white supremacists were allowed (in full view of the Charlottesville police) to march around spewing their hatred, and visibly carry all types of weapons as an intentional act of intimidation.

There are so many studies that show gun control works. Our Southern states typically have the most lenient gun control laws and have higher gun-related mortality rates than states with stricter gun control. A study by the Journal of the American Medical Association confirms this finding, and an analysis of other studies from Harvard likewise shows that higher gun ownership rates are correlated with higher homicide rates. These are simple facts that rational people cannot ignore.

So please, Mr. Harris, don't insult us with your statement that the result of gun control, "will be more deaths of innocents, not fewer." Common sense for us here in Virginia has nothing to do with the Second Amendment or the Supreme Court and everything to do with whom we elect to our General Assembly. Hopefully our candidates will have the fortitude to stand up to the NRA and vote against "open carry" and for other sensible gun legislation.

George Coussoulos, Lake Monticello

# **Mark Herring visits Fluvanna**

CORRESPONDENT

Attorney General Mark Herring stopped in Fluvanna Monday (Sept. 9) to speak to two different groups - the Lefty Lunch Ladies and TRIAD (see sidebar).

Su Wolff, of Lefty Lunch Ladies, introduced Herring to a group of about 40 people gathered for lunch at The Pub at Lake Monticello.

"The Lefty Lunch Ladies feel fortunate to have regular briefings from the Attorney General," she said.

Like his last visit in May 2018, Herring said President Donald Trump's policies have "added to his work load."

"We're trying to stop the worst impulses of Trump in environment, health care, reproductive rights and attacks on immigrants," Herring said.

Virginia's AG joined several other state attorneys general filing lawsuits to stop the immigrant family separation policy, fighting to protect several provisions in the Affordable Health Care Act and suing Purdue Pharma, makers of Oxycontin.

Herring was one of the state AGs who sued the Trump administration over its desire to add a citizenship question on the 2020 census.

"If you told me in law school I'd go to court on an enumeration clause case, I would have laughed. But we did - to protect a fair census - and we won," he

He also boasted of two Supreme Court

The court agreed that Virginia had the right to ban uranium mining. The Supreme Court also allowed to stand a lower court ruling that a 2011 GOP Virginia House racially gerrymandered districts, which is against the law. That decision meant several district maps were redrawn, making them less racially divided.

Many believe the ruling will help Democrats win a majority in the state house.

All seats are up for re-election in November.

Herring urged the group to vote Democratic because after the 2020 census, district maps will be redrawn.

Also speaking was Mark Asip, a Democrat challenger to Lee Ware's 65th district House of Delegates seat.

Asip, who lives in Powhatan, is a career educator. He worked in Fairfax, Williamsburg and Chesterfield school districts as a teacher, principal and Chesterfield's Director of Exceptional Education.

Asip said in his monitoring of laws brought before the House, he noticed another "voter suppression" law.

"I wrote to Lee Ware to ask him why it was necessary and he said, 'you know there were 140 votes of questionable status in Fairfax," he said.

When Asip did the math, he said those questionable votes amounted to .002 percent of the votes cast.

"It seems like an invented problem,"

He also said Virginia is proud of being the number one state in business. But according to the Virginia Education Association, Virginia is 34th in teacher pay, 42nd in the allocation of state funds to public education and 39th in funding mental health care.

"Can we raise those up and still be number one in business? I think so. I'm not a zero sum guy," Asip said.

Also speaking was Kim Daugherty, who is running in 2020 for the 5th District Congressional seat currently held by Denver

Daugherty grew up in Stafford, got her bachelor's degree from Longwood University and now lives with her husband and three children in Fauquier County. She practices family law and said her skills in arbitration would serve the 5th District well.

"We need a representative that can work with others in the hyper-partisan climate. I handle divorces daily...I work to find common ground," she said. "Those are the kind of negotiation skills I'll take to Washington."

# **Herring at TRIAD**



Attorney General Mark Herring spoke to about 50 people gathered at the Fluvanna County Library for a TRIAD meeting. TRIAD is a cooperative effort of law enforcement agencies (police/fire/ sheriffs), senior citizens, and senior organizations focused on reducing crimes

Virginia is the only state in the country that is supported by the Attorney General's office, Herring said.

"I'm proud of that," he said.

There are 100,000 Virginia citizens who have Alzheimer's or another type of dementia, Herring said. It's important to have training for first responders and education and support for families.

That's one way TRIAD is important because it helps make that available.

Herring also spoke about scams and fraud, which he said is "100 percent preventable."

He offered these tips:

If it sounds too good to be true, it

Don't send money up front;

If you do receive a solicitation, wait 24 hours to respond.

Waiting 24 hours gives you the opportunity to talk to family, friends or to call the sheriff, Herring said.

When it comes to robo-calls, Herring said everyone gets them, even him.

"Don't answer and don't give out personal information," he said.

When asked about how to help people who may have had their pain medicines stolen, Herring suggested getting information from the AG's companion website www.HardestHitVA.com that offers comprehensive information, including videos, about combating the heroin and prescription opioid epidemic. The site educates on how to keep your prescription medicines safe from theft.

According to the Fluvanna County Sheriff's website, the mission of TRIAD is to reduce the fear of crime and victimization among seniors by increasing awareness of scams and frauds targeting them, strengthening communication between the law enforcement and senior communities, and educating seniors on local and state resources that are available within their community. The goal is accomplished through training for seniors and law enforcement officials.

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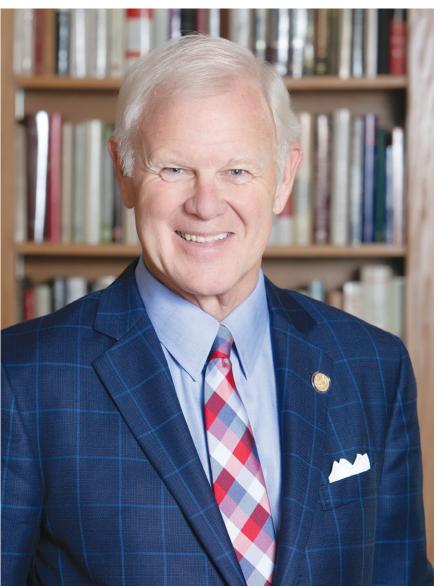


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# Vocal music camp offered by Bethel Baptist

CONTRIBUTED BY SCOTT DAVID



Kyle Swanson, Lydia David, Scott David. Photo by Debbie David.

Bethel Baptist Church offered a Vocal Music Camp for Fluvanna County middle and high school students on July 15-19. The Vocal Music Camp was co-directed by Scott David, director of the Fluvanna Community Singers and Lydia David, vocal music student at Liberty University.

Scott grew up in a house filled with singing and has sung in the local church for over 50 years. He served as music pastor for 22 years in five different churches throughout Virginia, producing musicals and concerts working with singers of all ages.

Lydia grew up in a house filled with singing and has sung in the local church for over 16 years. She sang and acted in the following school productions: Peter Pan, The Sound of Music, Beauty and the Beast, the Wizard of Oz and Singing in the Rain. Lydia has also sung and acted in countless musical and concerts in the local church with Scott.

The idea of a Vocal Music Camp came to Scott after watching the Fluvanna High School end of the year concert. This concert included all the high school singing groups. With the support of Mr. Horace Scruggs III, Fluvanna High School choral teacher, the students selected their own music and produced each song. The large number of vocal performers was impressive and Scott felt he could offer another venue to help students develop their singing voice. Although there are other student programs in the county, he thought this more specific emphasis might be profitable to the Fluvanna County student.

A typical day at Vocal Music Camp began with vocal warm ups, including breathing exercises. Campers were taught basic musical tools, such as time signatures and notes on the treble cleft. A few minutes during the first two days of camp were spent evaluating each campers voice and vocal range. A musical game each day and snacks were included.

One of the favorite activities for the campers was "Lydia's Leider." Lydia would

show a video clip of one song on the big screen from a Broadway show or movie (ex: Tangled, Les Miserable, etc.) and ask the campers to watch and listen. After watching the clip, Lydia would then play the same song on the piano and ask campers to sing with her. She demonstrated to the campers that famous, fantastic favorite songs are in the reach of each singer.

The campers practiced singing unison and a few sang harmony. A a safe, friendly and nurturing environment was provided for each camper. The campers decided that they would like to create a story and present a musical presentation to their parents/guardians on Friday evening, Aug. 19. During the presentation all of the activities that the campers had participated in during the week were shared. The group presented a musical titled, Fireproof. A total of 19 students signed up with an average attendance of 18 campers each day. An audience of 70-80 people attended the final production Friday evening.



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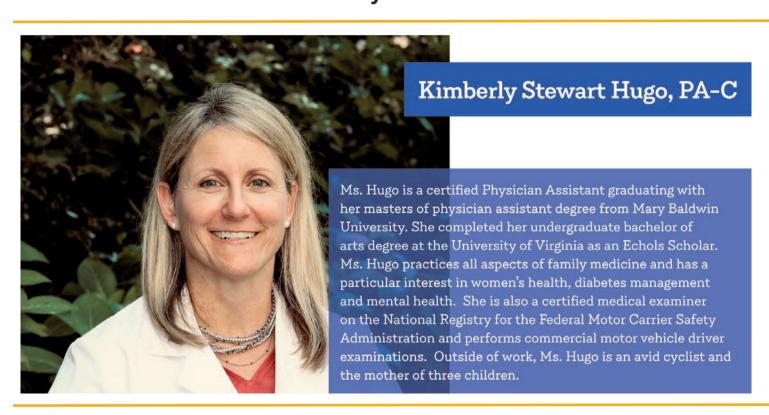


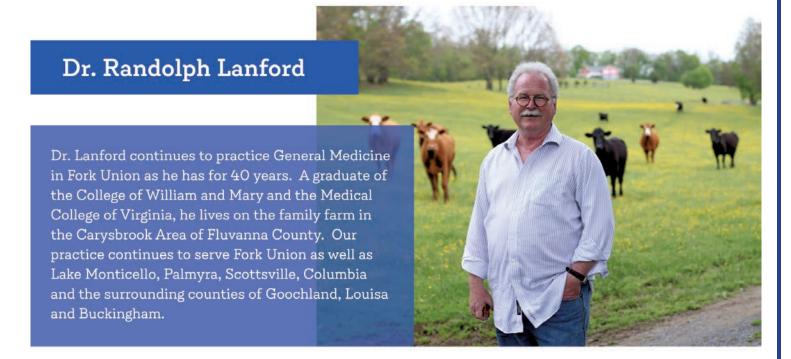
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# Writing children's books is one author's passion

BY PAGE H. GIFFORD **CORRESPONDENT** 



Bonnie's book and Catherine. Photos courtesy of Bonnie Mackey.

Writing a book to completion is an accomplishment and publishing it is gratifying. Writing children's books with illustrations in a wildly competitive field but an exhilarating journey for author and former Professor of Education Mackey. She recently published a children's book Why, Nana Bear, Why?, the first in a series of children's books with meaningful themes.

"When I retired from teaching, writing and publishing a children's book became one of my top five items on my bucket list," she said. "Ever since I was an elementary school teacher, I have always loved children's books. The books have beautiful illustrations, and they usually teach a skill, concept, or a moral in a friendly, helpful way." Later on in her education career when she taught children's literature at the college level, she says she was amazed at the variety of topics and diversity of artistic styles that were presented in children's books. She learned that between 4,000 and 5,000 new children's books were published each year.

She credits her granddaughters with the inspiration for the series of books, realizing that she wanted to leave a legacy for each of them. She says as the first book evolved, it seemed natural and appropriate to create

one for each granddaughter. This first book, Why, Nana Bear, Why?, is the beginning of the Nana Bear series. A theme has already been designated for each of the next five books. She is currently writing the second one.

"It was something I could create that would be a lasting symbol of my love for each of them. Somehow my brain concocted the idea of writing a children's book for each granddaughter, and I decided to venture into unknown territory and just do it."

The idea for the books and the character Nana Bear was her daughter's teddy bear that Mackey and her daughter had named Mr. Bear.

"For years, we joked about Mr. Bear's personality and imagined conversations. When I decided to write the first book, it just seemed natural to me that Mr. Bear would be the main character." After several drafts, her niece suggested that the book was more about Mackey being a Nana and less about Mr. Bear. After much reflection, it appeared her niece's suggestion was accurate, and the character of Nana Bear was created. "That was a real breakthrough. I could now focus on a few defining characteristics of each grandchild, coupled with lots of poetic license to create an imaginary tale with

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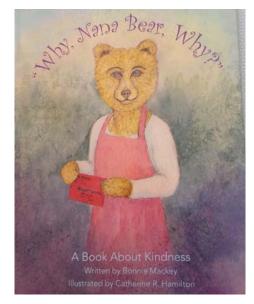
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subtle hints of each granddaughter's life. Once the core character of Nana Bear was developed, the theme of kindness emerged, with an emphasis on writing a thank you note as a side tale."

Mackey thinks that writing a thank you note has become a lost art, as have several other simple acts of kindness, including opening doors for people, bringing food items to ill neighbors, etc. "Hopefully, our book will remind us of the sweetness and happiness of being kind to others." It will also teach children about the lost art of thoughtfulness.

Writing a book of fiction is particularly intimidating and a children's book with illustrations requires someone with artistic ability to bring the characters to life through visual means. Mackey searched for an artist who would bring her vision of Nana Bear to life but hadn't found one until a friend suggested artist Catherine Hamilton.

"I was exceedingly grateful to find, this amazing artist who was willing to walk on this new journey with me. She captured the essence of Nana Bear and she was willing to make mistakes and learn from them and so was I and we grew together as a team," said Mackey. Hamilton and Mackey forged an alliance to complete the first book in the series. Mackey was excited about their sharing and working together and both learned about publishing illustrated books, which has its challenges.

Nowadays, as Hamilton and Mackey discovered, the authors and illustrators have to be savvy about publishing. Both learned about their role in making this project a reality.

"Illustrating Bonnie's book was an interesting experience because although the book had been written, the layout, size, and orientation had not yet been determined," said Hamilton. She added that this presented a challenge in that the initial illustrations had to be cropped or stretched to go from square to rectangular, and the text formatting had to be planned for each page so it presented in a visually engaging manner. "Bonnie and I had to work together to ensure the vision she had in her mind of the various characters was brought to life accurately in the illustrations. With a bit of

discussion, trial and error, and refining, that was not too difficult. I think we had more difficulty getting everything ready for Amazon than anything else."

For Mackey, she said the most difficult parts of writing the children's book were the logistics.

"After I had generated the main character and completed the writing and many re-writings, I realized I was now out of my comfort zone. I knew no illustrators, I knew nothing about self-publishing or other avenues for publishing, and I knew nothing about obtaining a copyright, an ISBN number, and imprint, etc. It was a steep learning curve, for sure." The result Mackey says is she learned that she could make dreams happen, that she had more inner resilience and pure grit than she ever knew, and with her love for her granddaughters, writing a book for each one has made her happy.

For Hamilton, it was sharing and creating the different illustrations and backgrounds.

"It became a family activity. My four children took the same interest in my projects as I do in theirs. They enjoyed reading the latest pages, seeing the drawings turn into paintings, and offering their suggestions and good criticisms." Both agreed it was an enjoyable working relationship.

"The most satisfaction I got was seeing the published book, with my text and her beautiful illustrations, for the first time. When I opened the package of ordered books, I cried."







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# Fluco golf squad finishes second in four team meet

BY DUNCAN NIXON CORRESPONDENT



The Fluvanna County High School golf team hosted teams from Charlottesville High, Monticello High and Albemarle High at the Lake Monticello golf course on Sept. 5. The greens at the Lake Monticello course had just been aerated and that procedure usually means that putting can be an adventure for a week or more. However, the Lake Monticello maintenance team had the greens sanded and running very true for this contest.

The match was medal play (i.e. the lowest score wins with all holes played to completion and no putts conceded.) Each coach selects his team's top six players for the competition. In this match, six foursomes teed off in a shotgun start. At the end of the nine-hole round, the top four scores for each team are totaled and the lowest total score wins. This format insures that a team cannot win the overall match simply because it has the lowest scoring player. If a team has one low score and three high scores in will not win. The final scores for this match were Albemarle

High 167, (an average of less than 42) Fluvanna High 182, Monticello High 204 and Charlottesville High 214.

The Fluvanna County squad was led by Killian Donnelly, a freshman, playing in the number one slot. Donnelly got off to a shaky start, with two double bogeys, but settled down to play his final seven holes in only two over par for a very respectable 42. The number one players started their nine holes on hole number six and finished on the par five fifth hole. Donnelly ended his round with a birdie four, chipping his third shot to within three feet and calmly sinking the birdie putt. Donnelly played intelligently throughout. For instance, on the potentially drivable par four second hole, he resisted the temptation to try to reach the green off the tee, as several others did to no avail. Instead, Donnelly went with a middle iron off the tee, fired his second shot on to the middle of the green and two putted for his par.

The second-best score for the Flucos was a 43 turned in by number



three player Maggie Wentz, a senior, and one of four young women on the eleven player Fluco roster. The third best score by a Fluco was turned in by number two player, junior Jarred Williams, who carded a 45. Senior number six player Caleb Vickers was the fourth lowest for the Flucos with a 52. The other two in the top six for the Flucos were senior Cameron Marshall and junior Tyler Haynes who played in the number four and five slots respectively.

Fluco Coach Bryan Searcy said that his team has been playing well so far this season. In an early season tournament, the Flucos finished seventh out of 17 teams and in the first Jefferson District mini-tournament they came in a very respectable third.

Because darkness sets in earlier and earlier each day this time of year, the golf team's schedule is front loaded as compared to football and other fall sports. The golf team was scheduled to play earlier this week on both Sept. 9 and 11, and its final two dual matches will be on Sept. 18 at Orange County and on Sept. 25 at Monticello High. The year-end District meet for the golf team is scheduled for Sept. 30 at Charlottesville. On Sept. 30, the Fluco football team still has not started a six-game run against Jefferson District competition.

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#### The Weekly Crossword by Margie E. Burke **ACROSS** 1 Table leftover 6 Annexes 10 Unwanted email 14 Exploratory investigation 15 Rider's grip 16 Frat party attire 17 Spoil, with "up" 18 Woman's undergarments 20 Time between 1918 and 1939 22 Pass on 23 Numerical suffix 24 Brainchild 26 Waterlogged 27 Piano's cousin 30 Word with dish or effect **33** Off course

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- 3 GPS suggestion 4 Attendance
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38 Crow's cry 39 Plunder

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Edited by Margie E. Burke

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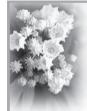
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WARRANT RECEIVED

**TOTAL INCIDENTS 490** 



# PUBLIC NOTICES

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Fluvanna County Board of Supervisors Wednesday, September 18, 2019, at 7:00 p.m

Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 15.2-2204, a public hearing will be held in the Circuit Court Room at the Fluvanna County Courts Build-

ing in Palmyra, Virginia for citizens of the County to have the opportunity to appear before and be heard by the Board of Supervisors for the following items:

ZMP 19:01 Nermin Smajlovic - A request to rezone, from A-1 Agricultural, General to B-1 Business, General, 0.957 acres of Tax Map 5, Section 9, Parcel 2. The property is located along James Madison Highway (U.S. Route 15) approximately 0.4 miles south of the intersection with Richmond Road (U. S. Route 250). The property is within the Zion Crossroads Community Planning Area and the Columbia Election District.

Copies of the complete text of the above ordinances and associated plans are available for public review at the Office of the Fluvanna County Administrator during normal business hours. The public is invited to attend these hearings at which persons affected may appear and present their views. Questions or comments may be directed to Planning & Community Development Department, at (434) 591-1910.

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**MVC NO INJURY** 10:04:54 09/05/19 SHORES RD & CUNNINGHAM RD MVC W/ ANIMAL 09:11:57 09/05/19 2560 BLK NORTH BOSTON RD MVC W/ ANIMAL 08:12:02 09/05/19 THOMAS JEFFERSON PKWY & VILLAGE BLVD MVC INJURY/UNK 20:52:15 09/02/19 4250 BLK SOUTH BOSTON RD **MVC INJURY/UNK** 09:58:59 09/01/19 KENTS STORE WAY & FERNCLIFF FARMS LN MVC W/ ANIMAL 04:09:24 09/01/19 MONISH DR & THOMAS JEFFERSON PKWY **MVC NO INJURY** 14:49:02 08/30/19 19280 BLK JAMES MADISON HWY MVC INJURY/UNK 09:04:39 08/30/19 WEST RIVER RD & HARDWARE RD MVC W/ FI UIDS 06:32:28 08/30/19

#### **TOTAL CRASHES 9**

OLD RECTORY LN & EAST RIVER RD

#### **ARRESTS**

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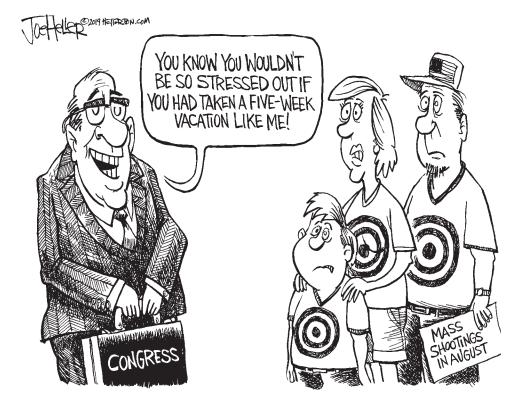
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**TOTAL ARRESTS 3** 





#### NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

(1000 Tabscott Road, Kents Store, Virginia)

Tax Map Ref. No.: 23-A-107

Pursuant to the terms of a Deed of Trust dated May 17, 2017, recorded in the records of the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the County of Fluvanna, Virginia (the "Clerk's Office") on May 22, 2017 at Deed Book 987 at Page 104 and re-recorded on December 14, 2017 as Instrument No. 1704002 (the "Deed of Trust"), any personal property described in the Deed of Trust (the "Personal Property") and the real property described in the Deed of Trust, commonly known as 1000 Tabscott Road, Kents Store, Virginia, and the improvements thereon (the "Real Property" and together with any Personal Property, the "Property"), as set forth below and as more specifically described in the Deed of Trust, to which reference is hereby made, will be offered for sale at public auction:

All that certain land, with all improvements thereon, lying in the Columbia District,

Fluvanna County, Virginia, containing 1.558 acres, as shown on a plat entitled "Plat Showing Boundary and Easement Survey of Tax Map 23 Parcel 106 Serenity Cottage" and prepared by Stanley Land Surveys, PLC, dated April 12, 2017, and recorded in the Clerk's Office in Plat Book 987, Page 101. Reference is hereby made to said plat for a more particular description of the property.

TOGETHER with that 20' right of way along the existing gravel road and further shown on that certain plat prepared by Stanley Land Surveys, PLC, dated April 12, 2017.

BEING the same real estate conveyed to Bryant K. Edwards by Deed from Diane V.

Bailey, sole heir of Virgie Payne, dated April 22, 2010 and recorded April 27, 2010 in the Clerk's Office in Deed Book 816, Page 364.

The sale will take place at 11:00 a.m. on September 25, 2019 at the entrance to the Circuit Court for the County of Fluvanna, 72 Main Street, Palmyra, VA 22963.

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For information contact: Bill Londrey, CAI Tranzon Fox Phone: 804-355-2251

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Published: Fluvanna Review September 12, 2019, September 19, 2019 VIRGINIA:

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF FLUVANNA KATHERINE L. PLASTER,

Plaintiff,

CASE NO. 19CL270

PAUL EDWARD PLASTER,

Defendant.

#### **ORDER**

The object of this cause is to obtain a divorce from the bonds of matrimony for the plaintiff, Katherine L. Plaster from the defendant, Paul Edward Plaster.

By affidavit having made and filed regarding the defendant, namely Paul Edward Plaster, with current specific address unknown, in compliance with 8.01-316 of the Code of Virginia;

It is therefore ORDERED that PAUL EDWARD PLASTER appear before this Court by October 4, 2019, 9:00 a.m., after due and proper posting of this order by the clerk of the Circuit Court of Fluvanna County, Virginia, and do what is necessary to protect his interests in this cause.

It is further ORDERED that the foregoing portion of this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Fluvanna Review, a newspaper published and having general circulation in Fluvanna County, Virginia and that the foregoing portion of this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks on the Courthouse Steps.

Given under my hand this 9th day of August, 2019.

<u>Richard E. Moore</u> Judge

I ask for this:
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Counsel for plaintiff

# VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF FLUVANNA Roberta A. Bunn,

V. Dallas Darnell Scott, et al

Defendants.

Plaintiff

Civil Case #19CL487

#### **ORDER OF PUBLICATION**

The object of the above-styled suit involves the heirs of Lelia R. Scott and their interest in a parcel of property known as Tax Map/Parcel 20-A-27 in Fluvanna County, Virginia. The legal descriptions of this property are as follows:

That certain tract or parcel of land situate and being in Fluvanna County, Virginia, and bounded and described as follows: said tract or parcel of land contains two and one half acres, more or less, and lays along the Stage road and adjoins the land of J.W. Yancey on the west and north, and borders on the head of Long Island Branch on the south and east, and adjoins the lands of George A. Ryals.

The object of the above-styled suit is to seek an Order granting authority to sell the property in the context of a partition action, suit to quiet title or declaratory judgment action.

An affidavit having been filed that due diligence has been used by the Plaintiff to ascertain the identity and address of the all possible defendants, without success; that due diligence has been used without effect to ascertain the location of all known defendants; and that the number of defendants upon whom process has been served exceeds ten and it appears that such defendants represent like interests with the parties not served with process.

Pursuant to Virginia Code Sections 8.01-316 A .1. b.; 8.01-316 A 2; and 8.01-316 A 3, it is hereby ORDERED that all interested parties appear on or before September 26, 2019 in the Clerk's office of this Court and do what is necessary to protect his interest.

I ask for this:

Mary Ann Barnes 29779
Tucker Griffin Barnes
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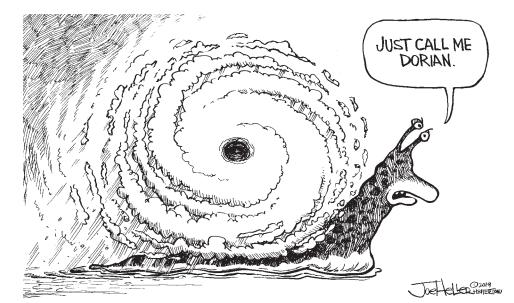
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# The Ospreys of Fluvanna County

BY STAN KASLUSKY AMATEUR WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHER

One of the joys of living in Fluvanna County is the abundance of wildlife that can be observed by those who pause and take it in. Bird watchers have a real treat. E- Bird, a web site maintained by Cornell University, lists over 200 different species of birds that can be seen in Fluvanna throughout the year. One of my favorite sightings is the majestic osprey.

#### Picture A

Ospreys are common and can be found on every continent in the world with the exception of Antarctica. Their resurgence along with other raptors is part of the wonderful success story of eliminating the pesticide DDT from the environment. This pesticide was absorbed in the food chain and resulted in softening the eggs of raptors which greatly reduced their populations throughout Virginia.

#### Picture B

Ospreys are the single largest raptor (hawks) capable of plunging into water feet first to catch its prey. Their diet consists almost totally of fish. The osprey has a greasy oily plumage that allows them to submerge up to one yard in the water when diving for a fish. This waterproofing and their long legs improve their success at being an aquatic hunter. Unlike many birds there are no distinctive marks to tell the males from the females. Our ospreys can be found at Lake Monticello at the fishing pond and the main lake. Ospreys also can be found along the Rivanna River and on the James. A good spot to sit and watch for an osprey at the lake are the beaches located in the coves. It is easier for the osprey to take a fish in shallow water rather than the deeper

main lake though I have seen this happen. Beach 5 in Van Buren Cove is a good quiet spot to observe an osprey as he sits high in a perch and waiting to pounce on a fish. This majestic bird can be found throughout the county wherever water is found; look particularly for the dead trees on the water's edge which make for a nice high perch.

#### Picture C

Ospreys have a striking white head which at first may make you think you've caught site of a bald eagle. Their bodies are brown and black and they have a distinct black/ brown eye band which makes them look like they are wearing the mask of a bandit. Their slender bodies are 21-24 inches in height and their wingspread can be up to 6 feet. Ospreys fly with a distinct kink in their wings and can make a distinctive "M" pose as they fly.

If you are lucky you may see the osprey flying in a circle over the lake or the river as he hunts for a fish. When they spot a fish near the surface they will hover briefly before diving feet first into the water.

#### Picture D

Ospreys appear each Spring around mid-May and stay with us through the fall. North Carolina seems to be the northern extent of their winter range but they can fly south as far as South America. Their presence in the county speaks to our abundance of fish and high water quality both at Lake Monticello and in our rivers. As an osprey fly's off with their fish take a look at the position of their legs. They are the only raptor that has the ability to position their feet one in front of the other, pointing the fish's















nose facing forward. This reduces air resistance as they fly back to their perch.

#### Picture E

A fascinating behavior that I had the opportunity to witness here at the lake and on the James is the bald eagle stealing a fish from the osprey. Eagles will follow an osprey and body slam them mid-air to get them to release their fish. I've read that this is a common behavior. Our noble eagle is a pirate and a thief. Founding Father, Benjamin Franklin disagreed with choosing the eagle as our national symbol because of this behavior. He much preferred the wild turkey which proudly stood its ground and charged intruders. Our loss was Virginia Tech's gain. I digress...note the osprey holding the fish's nose forward.

#### Picture F

Ospreys can be observed daily in season at the lake and on the James river...getting a picture by having a

camera at hand at the right time is a treat. Photographing these birds requires a long telephoto lens with the range of 400 to 600mm and lots of patience. Look for them to be perching high in a dead tree observing the water. Often you will hear their shriek or whistle call.

#### Picture G

Enjoying them however does not require a camera. Sitting by the water's edge, or paddling your kayak or canoe on a peaceful morning is

one of the great pleasures of living here in the county. Nurturing your sense of wonder and appreciating God's creation centers us and refuels our engines to take on the tasks of the week. Next time you are out near the river or at the lake make sure to look for our wonderful ospreys.





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