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Chesapeake Bay Program effects community development

BY PAGE H. GIFFORD CORRESPONDENT



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The Chesapeake Bay Program is being revised. The program charts a course for the future of Bay restoration and affects all waterways and communities, including Fluvanna's, by influencing how we handle our storm water management.

The 2014 Chesapeake Bay Program agreement is being revised to better achieve restoration goals and prepare for the future.

The Chesapeake Bay was the first

estuary in the nation targeted by Congress for restoration and protection. In the late '70s, U.S. Senator Charles "Mac" Mathias (R-Md.) sponsored a Congressionally funded \$27 million, five-year study to analyze the Bay's rapid loss of wildlife and aquatic life. The study, published in the early '80s, identified excess nutrient pollution as the main source of the Bay's degradation. These initial research findings led to the formation of the Chesapeake Bay Program as the means to restore the Bay.

The first Chesapeake Bay Agreement was signed in 1983 and was a simple, one-page pledge. The agreement was necessary to address the Bay's pollution problems. It also established a Chesapeake Bay liaison office in Annapolis, Maryland. The signatories of the Chesapeake Bay Agreement of 1983 became the Chesapeake Executive Council. This included the governors of Maryland, Pennsylvania, and Virginia, the mayor of the District of Columbia, the administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and the chair of the Chesapeake Bay Commission.

Phase 1 of the new agreement produced the Beyond 2025 Report, presented to the Chesapeake Executive Council in December 2024. Experts reviewed the 10 goals and 31 outcomes of the 2014 Agreement, consolidating them into four proposed goals and 21

outcomes in the revised 2025 draft.

During Phase 2, the partnership will revise the Watershed Agreement and develop a simplified and streamlined structure and process that supports all partners in achieving their commitments in an effective and efficient manner. The goals include thriving habitat and wildlife, clean water, healthy landscapes, and engaged communities.

The goal for wildlife and habitats is sustainability. By protecting and restoring fisheries and wildlife, as well as the network of land and water habitats they depend on. This is done by promoting a balanced and resilient ecosystem that supports local economies, such as fishing, and recreational opportunities. In our area, protecting the health of our local streams, rivers, and lakes is key.

Clean water is essential for all habitats and communities, and reducing pollutants entering the Bay and its rivers will achieve the water quality necessary to support aquatic wildlife and protect human health. The goal is to implement and maintain practices and controls that will reduce excess nitrogen, phosphorus, and sediment and also to reduce the amount and effects of toxic contaminants, such as PCBs, plastics, mercury, and PFAS, on the waters, lands, living resources, and communities of the Chesapeake Bay watershed by facilitating an increased understanding of their

impacts and mitigation options.

The well-being of the Chesapeake Bay depends on the health of the lands that make up its watershed. As communities within the region continue to grow, the demand for land and resources can put our waters and habitats at risk. The report states that sound land use management and conservation of areas with ecological, historic, and cultural value can reduce pollution, maintain healthy ecosystems, and ensure the health of forests, farms, and open spaces, all while supporting growing economies.

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Cost-effective strategies will help communities adapt to changing environmental conditions and ensure clean water for future generations. The goal is to conserve, restore, and enhance land-scapes of ecological, economic, and cultural value to maintain water quality, provide habitat for wildlife, and increase resilience. Farms can sometimes be the biggest offenders with fertilizer run-off, but farms in Fluvanna County have been taking a serious look at land management and sustainability.

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a particular focus on riparian areas and communities.

Development is perhaps the leading cause of stormwater run-off and pollutants, and good planning cannot be dismissed. Nowadays, adapting to changing environmental conditions is the bedrock of healthy waterways. The goal is to increase nature-based solutions to improve planning and response to changing conditions while balancing long-term resiliency of watershed communities, economies, and ecosystems. Many communities throughout the U.S are looking at ways to build greener communities to preserve wildlife habitats, manage land use, and plan for better development.

For more information about the Chesapeake Bay Program, visit https://www.chesapeakebay.net/.

League of Women Voters of the Charlottesville area seeks new members

PRESS RELEASE

The League of Women Voters (of the Charlottesville Area (LWV-CVA) is inviting community members of all backgrounds, aged 16 or older, to join their efforts to strengthen civic participation. The League will host an outreach event "We Are the League" at the JMRL Charlottesville's Central Library on Sunday, Sept. 21, from 2-4 p.m. where prospective members can learn more about the organization's mission and activities.

The LWV-CVA is a nonpartisan but political organization that focuses on issues, not parties or candidates. Its work centers on providing voters access to voter registration and giving them the tools and information they need to make informed decisions and to promote fair, accessible, and transparent elections. LWV-CVA also advocates at local and state levels of government on issues that promote the general welfare for all.

LWV-CVA services the counties of Fluvanna, Albemarle, Nelson, Greene, and Louisa as well as the city of Charlottesville.

In the past LWV-CVA have held forums and debates for candidates running for office. This year we are trying something different. LWV-CVA is introducing Listening Tables, a new initiative designed to bring candidates and local residents together for open, respectful conversations about the issues that matter most. These events give voters the opportunity to hear directly from candidates, ask questions, and exchange ideas, helping the community better understand who and what they're voting for. .Listening Tables are already being arranged for all our contested races.

Whether you're a seasoned civic participant or just beginning to explore community engagement, the League of Women Voters offers meaningful opportunities to make a difference.

For more information, visit the League at the Charlottesville's Central Library on Sept. 21 or explore their work online at lwv-cva.org.

Obituary

Alice M. Flanders 1936 - 2025



Alice Mary Finch Flanders passed away on August 18, 2025, in Aiken, South Carolina, following a brief illness. She was preceded in death by her parents, James and Mary Finch, and her brother, James Finch.

Born and raised in Connecticut, Alice grew up alongside her brother, James, and sister, Jeanne Finch Strode. She left the family home in 1956 when she married Ensign William M. Flanders, USCG. They were stationed in many places in the US and Germany. Together, they raised four children:

Richard (Rebecca), Linda, David (Kara), and Steven. Alice was a loving grandmother to seven grandchildren—Nathan, Sarah, Ian, Alex, Cassandra, Collin, and Alison—and four great-grandchildren.

In 1985, Alice and her family settled at Lake Monticello in Palmyra, VA. She was an active member of her community, serving on the Lake Monticello Buildings and Grounds Committee and as an EMT (Life Member) with the Lake Monticello Rescue Squad. An avid golfer, Alice was a longtime member of the Lake Monticello 18-hole ladies' league. In 2022, she and her husband, Bill, moved to Aiken, SC, to be closer to their family.

Alice is survived by her husband of 69 years, Captain William M. Flanders, USCG/ret.; her sister, Jeanne; her sister-in-law, Doris Finch; her four children and seven grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Burial will take place at a later date at Fort Jackson National Cemetery in Columbia, SC. In lieu of memorial flowers or trees, donations can be made in Alice's name to Walking Tall Ministries in Gloverville, SC.

PVCC reoffers Prison Education Program Institution

PRESS RELEASE

Piedmont Virginia Community College (PVCC) has received official approval from the U.S. Department of Education to operate as a recognized Prison Education Program (PEP) Institution. This final approval marks the completion of the transition from the Second Chance Pell Experimental Sites Initiative to full PEP status, as established under the FAFSA Simplification Act. PVCC is the first college in the state to receive approval under these new federal regulations. Less than 100 colleges in the United States have secured approval to date.

"Our mission is to offer an exceptional higher education experience to every student committed to a better future through learning," shared PVCC President Jean Runyon. "This milestone represents a significant expansion of opportunity, access, and success for all students."

PVCC has been involved in prison education since 2006, first at Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women, then expanding to Buckingham Correctional Center and Dillwyn Correctional Center in 2017. PVCC served 148 incarcerated students in the 2023-2024 academic year across the three sites, and more than 150 students have earned an associate degree through PVCC while in prison.

The degree program consists of 63 credit hours of in-person instruction, allowing students to design a curriculum that meets their individual goals. Stu-

dents earn a General Studies Associate of Science Degree accumulating transferable credits to bachelor's degree programs at four-year institutions.

"I applaud Piedmont Virginia for being the first college in the Commonwealth to achieve this important recognition," said Dr. David Doré, Chancellor of Virginia's Community Colleges. "As educators, we're convinced that providing meaningful learning opportunities to incarcerated people benefits both the individuals and society by reducing recidivism, increasing post-release employment and creating a safer environment within correctional facilities."

"Our colleges first began to serve this population in 1985, and eleven of our colleges, including Piedmont Virginia, have active programs for people in the justice system," Dr. Doré added. "Almost 500 of these individuals earned degrees, certificates or workforce credentials just last year, greatly increasing their chances of success when they return to society."

The VCCS Strategic Plan, Accelerate Opportunity, sets a system-wide goal to increase enrollment of incarcerated students by 25 percent by 2030.

PVCC Higher Education in Prison Program Coordinator Julie Olive stated, "While PVCC has been involved in higher education in prison for many years, full PEP approval ensures vital institutional continuity in a field that has historically been unpredictable. This approval Prison Education continues on page 5.

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also provides PVCC with the opportunity to support other Virginia Community Colleges and Universities as they work towards implementing and improving their own higher education in prison programs. Incarcerated individuals are often forgotten and underestimated members of our communities and the process of obtaining official PEP approval is our way of saying PVCC has not forgotten you, we see your potential and we support you and your educational goals."

Previously, PVCC received approval as a Second Chance Pell Experimental site, a program that paved the way for the reinstatement of overall Pell Grant eligibility for incarcerated students. After a nearly 30-year ban, eligibility for Pell Grants was reinstated for incarcerated students on July 1, 2023, through the FAFSA Simplification Act. However, that program is set to expire in 2027 and has operated under restricted budget constraints.

The 18-month rigorous process included approval by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, the Virginia Department of Corrections, and the U.S. Department of Education. Eligible students can immediately begin receiving Pell Grants to pay for tuition and related expenses.

To learn more about the PVCC Higher Education in Prison Program visit pvcc.edu/ pvcc-higher-education-prison-program.

RUDY TALKS TAXES

BY RUDY GARCIA, OWNER, RIVANNA WOODS FINANCIAL / TAX SERVICES

New Tax Law Lightens Compliance for Small Businesses

We have two big deadlines on Sept. 15th:

- 1. Filing deadline for 2024 calendar-year S corporation and partnership tax returns on extension
- 2. Due date for 3rd quarter installment of 2025 estimated income tax for individuals, calendar-year corporations, and calendaryear trusts & estates.

The One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA) passage does a lot to make expiring tax laws more permanent for 2026 and beyond. But it also makes substantial changes to the 2025 tax landscape. This month we will cover some of the major changes impacting your taxes for this year and action steps to take to ensure you're taking full advantage of the changes.

This article will cover ways the new tax laws affect you as a small business owner. The next article covers the new tax-free tip and tax-free overtime features in the bill. The implementation of the new tax bill expands several business tax benefits while easing certain compliance obligations. Here's a summary of the key provisions affecting small businesses.

• Form 1099. The reporting threshold for Form 1099-NEC and 1099-MISC moves from \$600 to \$2,000 after December 31, 2025. This threshold is to be indexed for inflation starting in 2027.

Tax Planning Tips: Be prepared to update your accounting software to track vendor payments against the \$2,000 threshold. This avoids unnecessary 1099 preparation and aligns with the new requirement. And while the reporting threshold is now higher, it's still a good idea to collect W-9 forms from all vendors and contractors before issuing payments. This ensures you're prepared in case payments exceed the threshold.

• Form 1099-K. The \$600 reporting threshold scheduled to go into effect in 2026 is rolled back to the old threshold of \$20,000, along with the dual requirement of 200 or more transactions.

Tax Planning Tips: Don't rely solely on receiving a 1099-K to report income. Many businesses won't meet the new reporting threshold but are still legally required to report every dollar earned. If your transaction count is high, however, be aware of how quickly you might approach the 200 transaction mark. Also consider labeling business and personal accounts separately on platforms like Venmo and PayPal. Mixing funds could cause reporting errors, especially as platforms enhance their 1099-K tracking capabilities.

Qualified Business Income (QBI) deduction. The QBI deduction of 20% is now permanent. There's also a minimum deduction of \$400 for taxpayers who have at least \$1,000 of qualified business income.

Tax Planning Tips: Most independent contractors and gig workers who receive Form 1099 are eligible for the QBI deduction. However, if your business is classified as an Specified Service Trade or Business (businesses in health, law, accounting, financial services and others) this tax break begins to phase out when your income exceeds \$197,300 (single) or \$394,600 (married) in 2025.

Section 179 deduction and bonus depreciation. Businesses can use the Section 179 deduction to write off up to \$2.5 million of qualifying property in 2025, up from \$1.25 million under the previous law. If you'd rather use bonus depreciation, the ability to write off 100% of qualified property is reinstated as of January 19, 2025 through the end of 2029.

Tax Planning Tips: Businesses can often use both Section 179 and bonus deductions in the same year. Section 179 is generally applied first, followed by bonus depreciation for any remaining balance. But remember, this deduction only relates to the timing of the deduction, not the total amount of the deduction.

These are some of the new tax bill's provisions that will affect most businesses across the U.S. Please call to discuss these and other provisions from the new tax bill that may affec't your business. We are learning more about the implementation and timelines of the new tax law weekly and will focus on these changes for the remainder of the calendar year. I hope you have had a great summer! Remember don't hesitate to call 434-442-4044 or email info@ rwftaxsetrvices.com for a tax planning meeting before the end of the year!

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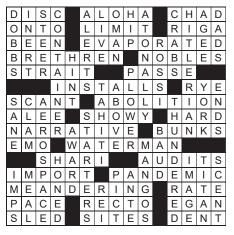
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Fluco volleyball crushes Mills E. Godwin High School

BY DUNCAN NIXON CORRESPONDENT

In its season opener on Aug. 28, the Fluco volleyball team hosted the Bald Eagles from Mills E. Godwin High in Richmond. Girls volleyball in Virginia is played best three games out of five with the first four games to 25 points, with a win by two. If the teams split the first four games a deciding fifth game is played to 15 points, win by two. The Bald Eagles came nowhere near forcing a fifth game.

The Flucos jumped to a commanding 10-3 lead early in the opening game. Sophomore Charlotte Gifford served eight consecutive points including three aces. Junior Carson Johnston had one kill shot, senior Molly McCall had two kill shots. Throughout the night this was a pattern. McCall contributed numerous kill shots and a variety of Flucos recorded service aces. The Flucos gradually built their lead from seven points to ten and scored an easy 25-15 win.

The second game started much like the first. The Flucos were leading 10-2 when the Bald Eagles' coach called a time out. The time out did not help. The Flucos steadily increased their lead as Johnston, McCall and junior Allaysa Lewis dominated at the net. The 25th point for the Flucos came on a service

ace by sophomore Taylor Stringer. The final score was 25-8.

In the third game, the Flucos took an early lead again, jumping to 9-2 advantage before Mills Godwin scored their third point. From that point on, it was kill shots and a clever dink by McCall and strong serves by Lewis and senior Kenya Wrigley. Wrigley played as the Flucos Libero. McCall scored the winning 25th shot with a with a fierce kill shot. The final score was 25-11. In all three games the Flucos were totally dominate, outscoring their opponents by 75-34. In volleyball once a team has a lead of more than five points the outcome is normally not in doubt. The Flucos were ahead by five or more very early in all three games.

The Flucos hosted the multiple team Farrugio tournament on August 30. After that, they will begin a long grueling series of individual match-ups starting with a road trip to Mills Godwin. There are then 16 individual match-up on the schedule mostly against Jefferson District opponents. There are usually two or three matches a week. The season ends on Oct.23 at Ablemarle High. District play-offs follow on Oct. 28 and 30.

Suspect in Fluvanna shooting arrested in Charlottesville

BY HEATHER MICHON CORRESPONDENT

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A Fluvanna County man has been released from the hospital following a shooting on Rolling Road South on Thursday (Aug. 28).

Major David Wells of the Fluvanna County Sheriff's Office said the department received a 911 call reporting the shooting at 4:12 pm. When units arrived on the scene, they found a man suffering from "what appeared to be multiple gunshot wounds" and transported him to the hospital.

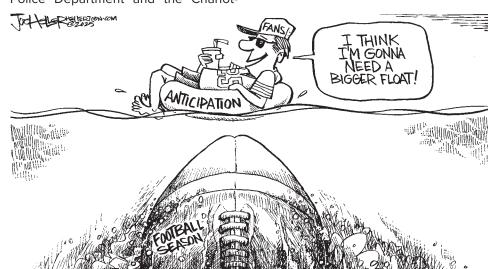
The man reported that his vehicle had been stolen.

Officers from the Albemarle County Police Department and the Charlot-

tesville Police Department located the vehicle in Charlottesville. A brief chase ended in the Carlton Avenue and Carlton Road area and the suspect was taken into custody as he attempted to flee on foot.

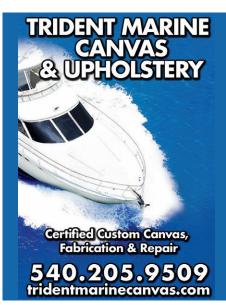
Brando Clifton Carter of Fork Union has been charged in Charlottesville with one count of grand larceny for the auto theft and one count of felony hit and run. He made his first court appearance in Charlottesville General District Court on Friday.

Wells said Carter had not been charged in Fluvanna County yet, but "sheriff's investigators have been working hard to gain additional evidence in this case."













BY PAT BEERS BLOCK

Welcome Star Gazers to this month's highlights of celestial events visible in Fluvanna County!

Fun events to view in September

With summer's slow retreat as fall, with all of its exuberance and fanfare. prepares to burst onto our seasonal and celestial calendars, ever exciting events including a full moon, noteworthy planetary and lunar conjunctions (remote objects visually appear close to one another), oppositions (where the Earth, Sun, and a planet are nearly is a straight line), and of course the September Equinox should lure you into the great outdoors to view the evening and morning sky. The September full moon has an interesting and logical colloquial name. There will also be both a partial solar eclipse and a total lunar eclipse albeit, these eclipses will not be visible to residents of Fluvanna county.

Hopefully some of these events capture your interest and motivate you to spend time observing the night and early morning dark sky this month. So let's get ready to engage in observing these events by setting up your star gazing equipment, charging your cell phones and linking to Sky Guide, Sky View Lite, or any other star gazing applications that you find useful, and settling into your favorite viewing spot to witness the magic of the night and early morning skies!

Week 1 (September 1-7)

Starting the week, the planet Mars and Spica, the brightest star in the Virgo constellation, will be in conjunction from September 4 through September 13. Mars will appear to the right of this star.

The most remarkable event this week for Fluvanna county residents to witness will be the presence of the full moon on September 7. This month's moon is known as the Corn Moon, so named by Native American tribes because corn will be ready to harvest at this time.

Week 2 (September 8-13)

On September 8, the full moon will be in conjunction with the planet Saturn.

On September 12, the moon will be in conjunction with the Pleiades (aka the Seven Sisters or M45) star cluster within the constellation Taurus.

Week 3 (September 14-20)

On September 14, the moon will be in its last quarter when the left side of the moon's face will be illuminated.

On September 16, the moon will be in conjunction with the planet Jupiter. Later in the day, the moon will be in conjunction with the stars Pollux and Castor of the constellation Gemini.

On September 17, the moon will be in conjunction with the Beehive Star Cluster (Messier 44) within the constellation Crab.

On September 19, the moon, Venus, and the star Regulus within the constellation Leo will be in conjunction with Venus and Regulus very close together. The best time to view this alignment will be about one hour before sunrise.

On September 20, Saturn will be in opposition (opposite the Sun and aligned with Earth) and visible as a bright yellow object located in the southeast section of the sky. Neptune is also in opposition at this time but will not be visible with the naked eye; to see it will require the use of a telescope or sky binoculars. Interestingly these planets will be in opposition this year; the next time this event will occur will be in June 2061 (every 35 years!).

Weeks 4- 5 (September 21-30)

The new moon phase will occur on September 21 when it will no longer be visible except as a ghostly sphere in the sky.

The fall/autumn equinox will occur on September 22.

This equinox occurs when the length of the day and night are equal The Sun is located (well, almost). above the Earth's equator so the split between day and night is almost equal.

On September 23, the planet Neptune will be in opposition. As a result, Neptune will be at its brightest luminescence this year. Neptune will be visible throughout the night and early morning hours. It will appear as a tiny blue dot if viewed through a telescope.

On September 24, the moon will be waxing (getting larger) moving from a small crescent shape to the first quarter phase on September 29 when the right side of the moon's face will be illuminated.

In Summary...

What an amazing time we live in where technological improvements allow us to learn so much more about our universe. For example, with the assistance of the James Webb telescope that is positioned one million miles from Earth, a small moon, temporarily named S/2025 Ui, with a diameter around 6 miles was discovered circling outside of the Uranus Epsilon ring. We know now that Uranus has 29 moons!

Another unique discovery in August (see Nature ,Vol 644 Issue 8077, August 20, 2025) was the presence of elements like carbon and oxygen after a supernova (explosion) of a star that contained these elements; examination of these elements was achieved through advanced analytical tools. Su-

pernova SN 2021yfj was unique in that the star, over millions of years, released different elements in a lavered fashion called the onion effect. Lighter elements were first shed, then heavier ones such as carbon, argon, silicon, and oxygen were later shed, with the star's iron core eventually exploding as the supernova ended. There is speculation that elements that make up carbon-based life (e.g. us) on Earth may have come from unique supernovas like SN 2021yfj. This new class of supernovas has been called Type 1en.

So, this month we have learned about some truly unique activities that may help us understand how our universe grew and thrives today. For more noteworthy events, remember to visit NASA's homepage, websites that provide information about space rocket and satellite launches, the constant movements of the ISS found in the ISS app, and aurora borealis flare-ups noted in its app that might be visible in Fluvanna county.

With the perpetual motion of planets and stars, the daily changing sky promises to entertain you for a lifetime! Until next month, keep your eyes facing the morning and evening sky to see the wonders of our universe as we Earthlings travel through it!

[information has been extracted from Astronomy Calendar of Celestial Events 2025 - Sea and Sky https://eclispe.gsfc. (seasky.org); nasa.gov; https://highpointscientific. com/astronomy-hub; https://amsmeteors.org/meteor-showers; https:// starwalk.space; https://spacetourismguide.com; Wikipedia; https://SkyatNightMagazine.com; theskylive. com; the Farmers' Almanac; https:// www.timeanddate.com]

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Sun-soaked blossoms shine during summer

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Golden sunflowers are turning Virginia fields into dazzling backdrops for photos, family outings and festivals. With stunning blossoms of all colors and sizes, sunflowers are an agritourism attraction for many farms. Preferring sunny, warm conditions, they can bridge the gap between summer's sweet corn harvest and fall's pumpkin patches. And to keep their fields bright, some farmers stagger their plantings to ensure continuous flowers throughout the season.

In Augusta County, Endless View Farms is preparing to welcome guests for its third annual sunflower festival a little sooner than expected.

"We bloomed about two weeks early," said Leanne Patterson, who operates the farm in Crimora with her husband, Thomas. Following the sunflowers' schedule, they plan activities around peak blossoms and "hustled to get things ready" for a festival kickoff on Labor Day weekend.

The farm plants five acres of black oil and ProCut sunflowers, with branching and pollenless varieties ideal for cut flower arrangements. Visitors can take family photos with props in the sunflower field, cut their own blooms or purchase precut bouquets.

"The ProCuts are smaller ... and the black oils get that really big head on them," she explained. "They're long-lasting flowers."

And despite a dry spell leaving some sunflowers slightly shorter than usual, "they're in great shape," Patterson said, thanks to irrigation and a late rain. Their festival will run during weekends through mid-September, when the flowers start to droop.

While the Pattersons managed some dry conditions, an hour away in Botetourt County, Beaver Dam Farm experienced the opposite.

"This year we've had more rain, which has caused the flowers to grow more rapidly and taller than in years past," noted farm owner Candace Monaghan.

Monaghan's family farm will host its annual Beaver Dam Sunflower Festival beginning Sept. 5. Each year, thousands flock to the farm to marvel at a sea of 700,000 blooms on 21 acres. Alongside fields of black oil sunflowers, she also plants 30,000 seeds of colorful varieties.

Monaghan started the sunflower festival 10 years ago as a way to diversify farm income. Today, it hosts over 100 vendors, hayrides and opportunities for visitors to wander through the blooms.

Beyond their beauty, sunflowers have several uses. Once the blooms fade and their heads droop, the seeds are harvested for birdseed.

"We also partnered with a local brewery to make sunflower beer," she added. "And I've pressed some for oil to make into a lip balm."

Read more about Virginia sunflowers in Cultivate magazine.



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Dodds talks about fiber art

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At the monthly meeting of the Fluvanna Art Association on Aug. 19, fiber artist Gigi Dodds discussed how she creates her art in fabric. After retiring from her job as a human resource director, Dodds was looking for something to do.

"When I was in high school, I had an interest in art, and the Minneapolis Art School offered me a scholarship, but my mother was a teacher, and my father wanted me to be a teacher. I didn't become a teacher, but I didn't study art either."

It started with her grandmother's unfinished quilt, found by a family member after Dodds' grandfather died. The family member gave it to her and suggested she finish it, which she did, and this inspired her to learn more about quilting.

"I took a class and we were all given the same subject and were to follow the instructions exactly. I created my own design. The teacher told me I didn't do what I was supposed to do, and I never went back." She joined the Charlottesville quilting group and learned appliqué, which began to lead her in a different direction.

As she learned quilting techniques, she also learned artistic techniques and tools she combined with quilting to create her unique abstract wall art. She would embroider, produce fabric collages with natural elements embedded into the design, and even recycle using toilet paper cardboard rolls by turning them into flowers. She is currently experimenting with alcohol inks.

Since 2010, Dodds has been collecting fabric and has saved eight cabinets full of fabric. She has made 200 quilts and given away 100. It is a labor intensive and Dodds' meticulous attention to detail and her fine sewing skills produce striking works of art.



Gigi Dodds. Photo by Page H. Gifford

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LAKE VIEWS

Fireworks Rise Like a Phoenix Above the Golf Course

Written by Marieke Henry, LMOA Communications Director

Ok, that title is way too dramatic, but hear me out.

While sitting with my family on the 18th Fairway, eagerly awaiting the start of the rehearsal fireworks show, I overheard the gentleman next to us reminisce, lamenting the loss of being able to view fireworks from a boat on Lake Monticello. "It was surreal," I heard him say. And surreal it was! The memory of being with friends, towing our teens in a dinghy behind a motorboat - them singing their hearts out, silhouetted against the fairy lights of other boats and the moon - will forever be etched in my mind. My gosh, does it get any more magical than that?

If it can't be that magical, is it even worth considering an alternative? Of course it is! The truth is, most people couldn't watch fireworks from the water, and after the 2024 show, it was very clear that not everyone could watch from the shore either. It was simply too crowded and too dangerous at the Main Beach. The mass it drew funneled into a spot where no one could escape should something go wrong. Contributing to that were the several hundred full vehicles that had to be let in through the Main Gate. I say "had to be" because they were all called in by our residents, which is their lawful right.

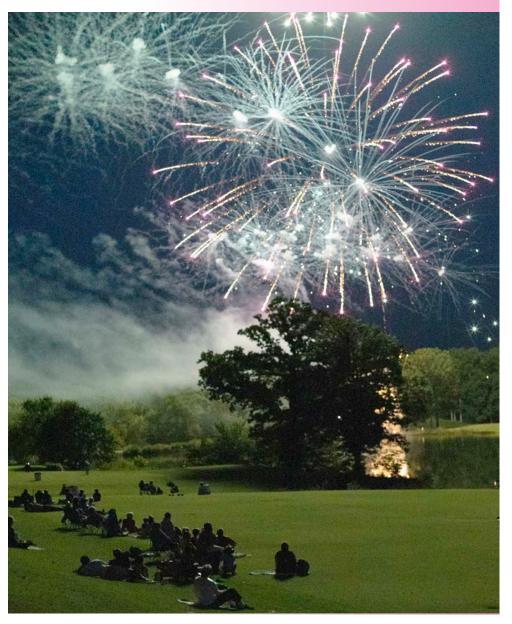
Our residents were simply being good neighbors - something Lake Monticello is known for (be proud, be very, very proud). Keep in mind, in 2024, we were one of the few remaining fireworks shows in the area. Folks just wanted to share the joy, but this led to a situation where emergency vehicles couldn't reach an injured woman near the Shark Tank. There was also a clash involving groups of young people from surrounding counties, which was next to impossible to control given the size of the crowd and limited law enforcement.

During after-action meetings, LMOA staff listened to law enforcement experts, emergency teams, and legal counsel, and felt the lump forming in our throats. Chief Wells was right; we had to alert the board, and in doing so, the fireworks at the Main Beach would likely come to an end. The thought of ending this tradition was heartbreaking, but that is what brave people do-make tough decisions in spite of discomfort. However, we also knew there was light at the end of the tunnel. We just needed more time to find an alternative plan.

Unfortunately, we were out of time for the Fourth of July 2025 show, as the contract had to be signed in autumn 2024. With too many questions unanswered, the LMOA Board of Directors canceled the 2025 fireworks, but wisely appointed a workgroup to assess 2026. Resident Rich Russel, who led the volunteers for the August 28 practice run, and LMOA Board President, Larry Henson, were passionate members of the group that ultimately agreed with LMOA staff - it was impossible to hold a safe event at the Main Beach. Instead, they recommended the golf course, and the LMOA Board listened.

When the contractor met with President Larry Henson and Chief Wells to evaluate the golf course this summer, he not only approved the site but also offered a demo at an affordable price for Labor Day weekend. The LMOA Board

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approved the offer, and staff was grateful for the opportunity to test the area out. They went right to work finalizing an operations plan while a large group of volunteers jumped in to support - something else this community is known for (be proud, be very, very proud).

We were embarking on the rebirth of a beloved tradition. Not as magical as floating under a firework-lit sky, but more inclusive and safer, too. It is a way for all Lake residents to come together and enjoy the golf course, with more accessible parking and roomier seating for families and individuals alike. The 18th Fairway alone is several times larger than the Main Beach. We'll all probably need to think twice before inviting too many visitors, which is hard for a community as generous as ours. Compromise - that is key to living harmoniously in a large-scale owners' association (nearly 5000 homes - that's huge).

And boy, did we come together and compromise. From Troon agreeing to disrupted play for most of Thursday, to young families forgiving us for holding the show on a school night so we could minimize revenue loss, to people choosing to sit on blankets when possible to avoid damaging the grass, to boaters having to let go of a dream. We're sad it came to this. It's ok to be sad, but we invite you to embrace this change and make the best of it. Let's all rise from the ashes...just kidding! I know when to stop.

I am happy to be part of the Lake Monticello community, and look forward to seeing you on the golf course in 2026 - which, by the way, ranked 3rd on Golf Pass's Top 25 Public Golf Courses in Virginia. Be proud, be very, very proud.



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Gov. Glenn Youngkin announces launch of Aerospace Academy of the Eastern Shore Lab School at NASA Wallops

Innovative STEM-focused lab school partners with local schools, colleges and community

PRESS RELEASE



Gov. Glenn Youngkin cutting the ribbon officially opening the Aerospace Academy of the Eastern Shore (AAES) lab school on Aug. 28. Photo by Kaitlyn DeHarde

Governor Glenn Youngkin announced Aug. 28 the opening of the Aerospace Academy of the Eastern Shore (AAES) lab school at a commemorative ribbon-cutting ceremony at the NASA Wallops Flight Facility. The AAES is dedicated to aerospace-specific coursework in engineering and data sciences, and proudly partners with Accomack and Northampton County Public Schools, Eastern Shore Community College, and Old Dominion University. The Academy is the 15th lab school established under Youngkin.

"With the launch of the Aerospace Academy of the Eastern Shore, we're not just cutting a ribbon - we're opening a gateway to the future. This Academy represents the best of what happens when educators, innovators, industry leaders, and communities come together with a bold mission: to inspire the next generation of pioneers," said Youngkin. "These students will be immersed in Virginia's aerospace sector and launch into careers that will shape the skies and beyond. Our mission since day one has been not only to prepare students for the future, but to empower them to lead it."

The AAES is designed to arm students on the Eastern Shore with the knowledge, skills, and abilities needed to be successful in aerospace fields, providing high school and dual-enrollment courses in partnership with NASA Wallops. The AAES leads curriculum development and manages the academic components of the program, ensuring high-quality instruction to equip students with the most in-demand skills of Eastern Shore employers.

"Congratulations to the AAES on welcoming its first bright cohort," said Secretary of Education Aimee Rogstad Guidera. "This program is critical to our goal of keeping the Commonwealth at the forefront of STEM and aerospace innovation. It's workforce readiness at its best: hands-on, and high-impact. AAES students' ingenuity and profound passion for aerospace education will continue to illuminate this field and this work."

The school provides two pathways for students to move into the aerospace workforce: Aerospace Technology, and Aerospace Engineering and Explorations. The school's programming allows students to engage in regional aerospace initiatives, participate in workbased learning experiences, develop an electronic portfolio, gain valuable job experience, and network with future employers. Students will have the opportunity to earn college credits to complete a Virginia Community College System Passport or Passport Plus, career studies certificates, and industry credentials and certifications.

"The launch of the Aerospace Academy on Virginia's Eastern Shore is a milestone for our students and our Commonwealth. By partnering with NASA and leading space companies, we are opening doors to hands-on learning, inspiring the next generation of space explorers, engineers, and innovators," said State Superintendent of Public Instruction Emily Anne Gullickson. "This academy will prepare our young people to lead in the Commonwealth's high-demand aerospace and technology industries that are shaping the future and will be a model to learn from."

Together, AAES, ODU, and their partners are committed to strengthening recruitment efforts and community engagement, broadening access to aerospace education and career pathways for students across the Eastern Shore, and empowering at-risk and underrepresented students in the area. Students are chosen through a lottery system of 50 students each year.

The AAES program of study guides students in high school from 9th through 12th grade. Industry partnerships allow students to participate in hands-on, experiential mission design activities that prepare them for the workforce.

For more information, and to explore opportunities at the Aerospace Academy of the Eastern Shore, those interested are invited to visit AAES at ODU.

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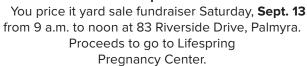
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A "Celebration of Marvin Moss," Fluvanna's retiring "president of everything," will be 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, at Pleasant Grove Park. It will be a fundraiser for the Fluvanna Historical Society's new Marvin Moss Legacy Endowment Fund. The family-friendly celebration will include musical entertainment, refreshments and tributes to Moss. RSVPs are requested to bit.ly/ marvinmoss2025 or 434-589-7910.



Please join us at Beulah Baptist Church in Kents Store (1633 Kents Store Way) for our homecoming celebration Sept. 28. Worship Service begins at 11 a.m, with lunch immediately following.

Free Artists Studio Tour Set for Oct. 18-19

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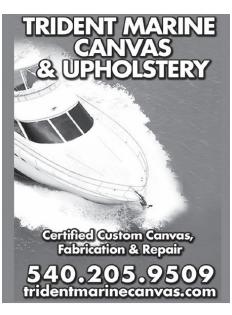






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VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF FLUVANNA SAMUEL I. WHITE, P.C., SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE

Complainant,

DIANE J. DYE,

Case No.: 25CL615

Defendant.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this action is to obtain the whereabouts of any persons including but not limited to: Diane J Dye and any other persons having an interest in the surplus proceeds of a trustee's sale pursuant to a Deed of Trust dated June 24, 2009 executed by Diane J Dye, for the benefit of AmTrust Bank secured by the property located at 2540 Long Acre Road, Palmyra, VA 22963. This Deed of Trust was recorded on June 29, 2009 in the Clerk's Office of this Court in Document No. 0902532, in Book No. 796, at Page 614.

Upon consideration whereof, this Order of Publication is granted, and is ORDERED that any interested persons do appear here on or before October 9, 2025 at 9:00 a.m., which date is no sooner than fifty (50) days after entry of this Order of Publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this Order of Publication be published once a week for four (4) successive weeks in The Fluvanna Review newspaper, a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Fluvanna, Virginia.

Entered, this 6th day of August, 2025.

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I ASK FOR THIS:

Emmanuel D. Voces, VSB #42431

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Counsel for Samuel I White, P.C.





PUBLIC HEARINGFluvanna County Board of Supervisors

Wednesday, September 17, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 15.2-2204, a Public Hearing will be held at the Fluvanna County Circuit Court, at 72 Main Street, Palmyra, VA 22963 for citizens of the County to have the opportunity to appear before and be heard by the Board of Supervisors on the following items:

ZTA 25:04: Ordinance to amend the "Code of the County of Fluvanna, Virginia," by amending §§ 22-22-1, 22-3-2.1, 22-4-2.1, 22-5-2.1, 22-6-2.1, 22-7-9.1, 22-8-2.1, 22-9-2.1, 22-10-3, 22-11-2.1, 22-12-2.1 and 22-13-2.1 to define "mobile food unit" and to authorize such activity by-right in all zoning districts.

ZTA 25-07: Ordinance to amend the "Code of the County of Fluvanna, Virginia," by amending §§ 19-2-1, 19-3-2, 19-3-4, 19-3-5, 19-3-6.2, 19-4-5, 19-5-2, 19-6-2, 22-14-2, and 22-23-8 to conform to the Code of Virginia by removing Planning Commission approval authority for the administrative review process for plats and plans and assigning such authority solely to the Subdivision Agent, and by changing certain review timeframes.

ZMP 25:02 Fork Union Drive-in – A request to rezone from A-1, Agricultural, General to the B-1, Business, General, Zoning District 2.74 +/- acres of 14 acres of Tax Map 51 Section A Parcel 60. The subject property is generally located on the west side of Winnsville Drive (SR 612) approximately 0.2 miles from its intersection with US 15 at Weber City. The parcel is located in the Fork Union Community Planning Area and the Fork Union **Election District.**

Copies of the complete text of the above ordinances are available for public review at the Fluvanna County Planning and Zoning Department during normal business hours and at https://www.fluvannacounty.org/. Questions may be directed to the Planning and Zoning Department, at (434) 591-1910.

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Notice of Public Sale

September 18, 2025, at 10:00 AM

Local Storage Fluvanna

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LocalStorage Fluvanna, 21 Burns Plaza, Palmyra, VA. 22963, will list storage units on the website http://www.StorageTreasures.com until sold or disposed of on September 18, 2025, at 10:00 AM.

Unit: #EA05 Laura Shipp, #EB20 Stephani Pontello, #EA06 Robert Jordan, #EA31 Nadia Anderson, #EA34 Selena Gilmore, #EC10 Dustin Chamberlin, #EE28 David Young, #EF07 Kristin DeFay #EF30 Brandon Tomlin, #EF42 Michael Letourneau, #EF44 Tiffany Wood, RC08 Tracy Kilpatrick, #026 Shauna Wedekind, #043 Pauline O Woodson, #089 Gregory Del Rosario, #113 Gregory Del Rosario, #126 Patricia Powell, #225 Dana Brown, #251 Sheri Defay, #314 Stephen Cropp, #405 Rachel Crosby, #407 Louis Evans, #516 Gabrielle Morris, #714 Christopher Fulton, #811 Les Barnett, #812 Sanjanetta Carter, #814 Les Barnett, #EC10 Dustin Chamberlin, #EG03 Pamela Williams

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF FLUVANNA ROBERT S. DODSON,

Case No. 240000751-00

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NANNIE WOOD VOWELS a.k.a. NANNIE VOWEN and also as NANNIE VOWENS, and if she be deceased, her heirs, devisees, assigns, and successors in interest who are made PARTIES UNKNOWN

Defendants.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to effect partition among the owners of a certain tract or parcel of land situated in Fluvanna County, Virginia described as follows: all that certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the Fork Union District of Fluvanna County, Virginia, containing six acres, more or less, and being more particularly described as Fluvanna County Tax Map Parcel no. 59-A-47, and being the property devised to Nannie Vowels, also known as Nannie Vowen, by will of Frederick Wood dated May 17, 1911 and spread in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Fluvanna County, Virginia in Will Book 2 at Page 107 [the "Property"].

It appearing from the Complaint and by the affidavit filed according to law that there may be persons interested in the Property to be disposed of, to-wit Nannie Wood Vowels a.k.a. Nannie Vowen and also as Nannie Vowens, and if she be deceased, her heirs, devisees, assigns, and successors in interest who are made Parties Unknown, and Plaintiff has used due diligence to ascertain and serve all of the putative · owners who are Virginia residents, and also that there may be nonresidents and other Parties Unknown who may claim an interest in the Property, it is therefore.

ORDERED that all interested parties, including the Parties Unknown, appear before this Court on or before October 9, 2025 at 9:00 A.M. and take such action as they deem appropriate to protect any interest they may have in the above-described Property, and it is further,

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Ralph E. Mann, Jr. VSB #13320, Counsel for Plaintiff Robert S. Dodson

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PUBLIC NOTICES



PUBLIC HEARING

Fluvanna County Planning Commission Tuesday, September 9, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 15.2-2204, a Public Hearing will be held in the Morris Room in the County Administration Building at 132 Main Street, Palmyra, Virginia 22963 for citizens of the County to have the opportunity to appear before and be heard by the Planning Commission for the following

ZTA 25:08: Ordinance to amend the "Code of the County of Fluvanna, Virginia," by amending § 22-22-1 to amend the definitions of "outdoor entertainment" and "outdoor gathering"

A copy of the complete text of the above ordinance is available for public review at https://www.fluvannacounty.org/ and at the Fluvanna County Planning and Zoning Department during normal business hours. Questions may be directed to the Planning and Zoning Department, at (434) 591-1910. All interested persons wishing to be heard are invited to attend the public hearing.



PUBLIC HEARING Fluvanna County Board of Zoning Appeals Tuesday, September 16, 2025 at 7:00 pm

Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 15.2-2204, a public hearing will be held in the Morris Room of the Fluvanna County Administration Building, located at 132 Main Street Palmyra, VA 22963 for citizens of the County to have the opportunity to be heard by the Board of Zoning Appeals on the following request:

BZA 25:04 - Pardee Virginia Timber 2 LLC: A request for a Variance to Section 22-4-3 (C) (1) (b) of the Fluvanna County Code to allow for a reduction of the required minimum frontage from three hundred (300) feet to one hundred (100) feet on State Route 639 for the parcel identified as Tax Map 28, Section 10, Parcel 1. The subject property is zoned A-1, Agricultural, General, and is located in the Rural Preservation Planning Area and

The meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals will be in person and instructions for public participation during the meeting will be made available on the Fluvanna County website: www.fluvannacounty.org Interested persons may submit written comments prior to the scheduled meeting to planning@fluvannacounty.org or call 434.591.1910, between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm Monday - Friday or visit the County Administration Building at 132 Main Street Palmyra, VA 22963.



PUBLIC HEARING

Fluvanna County Board of Supervisors Wednesday, September 17, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

Pursuant to Virginia Code Sections 15.2-1427 and 15.2-2204, a Public Hearing will be held Fluvanna County Circuit Court, at 72 Main Street, Palmyra, VA 22963 for citizens of the County to have the opportunity to appear before and be heard by the Board of Supervisors on the following item:

ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REORDAIN "THE CODE OF THE COUNTY OF FLUVANNA, VIRGINIA" BY AMENDING §§ 7-1-1 THROUGH 7-1-7 TO ALLOW FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL BY THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR OF SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENT PERMITS

A COPY OF THE FULL TEXT OF THE ORDINANCE IS AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW BY THE PUBLIC ON THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE AND IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DURING REGULAR OFFICE HOURS.

All interested persons wishing to be heard are invited to attend the public hearing.



PUBLIC HEARING
Fluvanna County Board of Supervisors Wednesday, September 17, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 15.2-1427, a Public Hearing will be held in the Fluvanna County Circuit Courtroom, 72 Main Street, 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 item:

ORDINANCE TO AMEND "THE CODE OF THE COUNTY OF FLUVANNA VIRGINIA", BY AMENDING § 4-2-2 AND § 4-2-5 TO CHANGE THE PENALTY FOR A VIOLATION UNDER BOTH THE DOG RUNNING AT LARGE ORDINANCE AND THE UNRESTRICTED DOG ORDINANCE

A COPY OF THE FULL TEXT OF THE ORDINANCE IS AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW BY THE PUBLIC ON THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE AND IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR DURING REGULAR OFFICE HOURS.

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Hunger Action Day is set for Sept. 9

PRESS RELEASE

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"The need for food assistance is higher than ever, affecting families, seniors, and working people across the Blue Ridge," said Kari Diener, CEO of the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank. "Our vision is simple: nourishing food and good health for everyone, every day."

Over the past year, the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank and its network of nearly 400 partner pantries and program sites distributed more than 27 million meals (32 million pounds of food), serving an average of 171,200 people each month. The Food Bank is calling on the community to help sustain this mission:

Take action this September:

- · Donate: Every \$1 provides 3 meals for neighbors.
- Volunteer: Join the team serving 171,200 people each month.
- Advocate: Speak up for strong hunger-relief policies, including the next Farm Bill.

 Raise Awareness: Share stories. wear orange on Sept. 9, and spark conversations.

"Every action matters — whether it's giving, volunteering, or raising your Diener said. "Together, we strengthen our community and prove that no effort is too small to help end hunger."

According to Feeding America, food insecurity across the U.S. has reached its highest rate in over a decade, with more than 47 million people facing hunger, including 14 million children. Here, in the Blue Ridge region, that translates to 1 in

Hunger Action Month is your chance to make a real difference. When you turn compassion into action by donating, volunteering, advocating, or raising awareness, you help move us closer to solving hunger in our community.

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About Blue Ridge Area Food Bank

The Blue Ridge Area Food Bank is the largest hunger-relief organization serving Western and Central Virginia. Founded in 1981, the Food Bank serves 25 counties and 8 cities through distribution centers in Charlottesville, Lynchburg, Winchester, and its headquarters in Verona. Each

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month, the Food Bank supports an average of 171,200 guest visits, reaching record numbers of Virginians through a network of nearly 400 community partners-food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, and program sites. As a partner food bank of Feeding America®, the nation's

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