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- 2 First name in jeans
- 3 Calc.
- prerequisite 4 Like some
  - eyebrows 5 Shook up
  - 6 Certain
  - Indonesian 7 Many a moon
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  - 9 Unalike, as
  - mixtures 10 Military address
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  - 12 "Haystacks" painter
  - 13 Author
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  - 21 Immediate kin
  - 25 Fourth planet
  - from the sun 26 Iowa State's
  - home 27 Short-spoken
  - 28 Covenants
  - 32 Scoundrel
- **DOWN**

others...

**37** Goalie's feat

- 39 Church storehouse
- 42 Military tech development agcy.
- 44 Manet and Monet
- 35 Notable times 49 Particle of light
  - 50 Piece of information
  - 51 Justice Kagan
  - 55 Peddle
  - 56 Newborn's need 57 Italian island
  - 58 Office fixture
  - 60 Daycare charge
- 47 Unemotional

#### Answers to Previous Crossword: ACIDNAVALVEAL

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Edited by Margie E. Burke

# SUDOKU

## Difficulty: Easy

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15 Shivery fever

17 Throw out

22 Salon goo

23 Panache

24 Religious

29 Ancient

recluse

26 Campus life

numerals 30 Java holder

33 Mechanic's

40 Texas flag

feature

38 Buy alternative

41 Main squeeze

45 Sister of Zsa

46 Some rescue

denizens

52 "Passing"

53 Pub's brew

54 Restocked

rations

**62** Do

59 Octopus' arms

**61** Past its prime

63 Clothing fuzz

64 Burial places

65 Sail supporter

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66 Counter current

**50** Misconduct mark

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## **HOW TO SOLVE:**

Each row must contain the numbers 1 to 9; each column must contain the numbers 1 to 9; and each set of 3 by 3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 to 9.

Answer to Previous Sudoku:

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9	1	4	8	6	5	2	3	7
2	3	6	1	4	7	5	8	9
7	5	8	9	2	3	4	1	6
4	9	1	5	7	8	6	2	3
6	8	3	2	1	4	7	9	5
5	2	7	3	9	6	8	4	1

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#### Letters to the Editor

#### **Not Abigail Spanberger**

Virginians, we are finally cleaning up the mess in the U.S. and Virginia from previous Democrat administrations. Tired of politicians dodging questions, saying whatever to get elected, word salads, providing typical politician's non-response responses, acting all moderate and then voting Democrat; that's Abigail Spanberger. She was in the intelligence community and did not speak up against the Russian collusion hoax (coup really). She worked closely with (former president) Biden and did not speak up about the obvious cognitive decline. Politics and power over truth. We do not need a gov-

ernor that wants biological males in women's sports or locker rooms. We do not need a governor that will not help catch criminal illegal aliens. We do not need a governor that wants sanctuary city status for illegals. We do not need a governor that supports soft on crime punishments. We do not need a governor that will not condemn staffers, supporters, and activists celebrating political violence. Virginians, do not become complacent. Do not let radical Abigail Spanberger Californize Virginia. Go vote now.

-Eric Parlet, Palmyra

#### Keep what we love

Fluvanna works best when we honor two truths at once: preserving our rural character through the Land Use Program and treating every taxpayer fairly. That's why this year's Commissioner of the Revenue race matters to all of us, whether you live on a small lot, manage open fields and timber, or something in between.

I'm supporting Lauren Ryalls Sheridan because the commissioner's job is to administer the law as written, including the Land Use Program, with clear notices and deadlines, predictable appeals, accurate assessments, and consistent revalidation. That guiet, steady work builds trust across the county and ensures accountability in the office.

I appreciate Donald Reynard's interest in policy. Those conversations are important and often belong in Richmond with legislators and state agencies that write the rules. The commissioner's role, however, is to apply those rules impartially, fairly, and consistently here at home. Treating the office as a venue for policy debates, when requlations are written elsewhere and implemented locally, could be frustrating for everyone.

For neighbors who worry about fairness: homesites are taxed at full market value; roll-back taxes apply when land no longer qualifies for the program; and land use isn't a loophole; it's a state-developed tool that preserves working lands, supports local food and timber, and reduces pressure to carve up open space.

Let's choose steady administration in the commissioner's office over policy fights, putting service and accountability to every taxpayer first.

-Judy Lewis, Palmyra

#### It's a carbuncle

I hesitate to intercede once again in the affairs of Fluvanna County lest some folks would opine "there he goes again, Mr. Moss, perennial contrarian and cantankerous crank." But here goes.

Today, I had the utterly miserable experience of driving for the first time through The Cove, the massive new development by the traffic circle on Rt. 53. What a depressing place. The designs of the building are uniformly bland to ugly. There is no pretension whatsoever to evince any effort to ameliorate the sprawl with landscaping. Community amenities are simply non-existent or laughable. Construction continues apace with additional town houses and apartments being added again without any thought of aesthetics or community standards.

Everyone I know at Lake Monticello already laments this ugly new development on their doorsteps as do my friends who live outside the Lake. The Cove defies the very concept of rational community development. So, here we have a monstrous presence in our midst raising a fundamental question. "How on earth did our planners and elected officials allow this to happen?"

I would suggest that a good review of the process resulting in this carbuncle on Rt. 53 coming about could result in answers that would prevent any such new developments in the future. We should try seriously to find those answers.

-Marvin Moss, Palmyra

#### **Support for Sarah Johnson**

As a parent in Fluvanna County, I care deeply about the future of our schools. That's why I am proud to support my friend, Sarah Johnson,

for the Fluvanna County School Board in the Cunningham District.

Sarah is a mom with one child at

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## Letters to the Editor

Carysbrook and one who will attend Central when he is old enough. She has been an active PTO volunteer and a consistent presence at school board meetings for the last several years. She knows first-hand the challenges families face, and she's ready to bring that perspective to the board. As a school board member, Sarah will be engaged, available, and accountable to the community she serves.

Sarah's priorities reflect what parents, teachers, and students have been asking for. She believes students can't learn if they don't feel safe and supported, which is why she's committed to strengthening mental health and behavioral resources in our schools. She also understands how frustrating it can be for families to feel shut out or ignored. Sarah will work to improve communication so caregivers know what's happening in their children's classrooms and feel like true partners in their education.

Our teachers are the heart of our schools, yet Fluvanna has the lowest pay and highest health insurance costs in the region. Sarah will fight to increase salaries and ensure we can keep the dedicated educators our children depend on. When she is elected, she will advocate for teachers, students, and parents alike.

Sarah isn't running on a name or a reputation. She's running because she believes our schools deserve better and because she has skin in the game as a parent in the system. I hope my neighbors in the Cunningham District will vote for Sarah Johnson for School Board on November 4!

-Jennifer Richardson, Palmyra



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## VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF FLUVANNA

COUNTY OF FLUVANNA, VIRGINIA,

a Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia, Complainant,

CHARLES T. COLBERT FUNERAL HOME, INC., ET AL. Respondent(s).

Case No.: CL25-410

#### ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Complainant, County of Fluvanna, Virginia, for delinquent real estate taxes against certain real property located in the County of Fluvanna, Virginia, described as follows:

> Tax Map No. 58A-2-4 Account No. 2366

All that certain tract or parcel of land, lying and being situate in the Fork Union Magisterial District, Fluvanna County, Virginia, on the south side, of and adjoining Virginia Secondary Highway 656, being Lot No. 4 as shown on a diagram recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Fluvanna County, Virginia, in Deed Book 71, at Page 432.

And being the same property conveyed to Charles T. Colbert Funeral Home, Inc., a Virginia corporation, from Leland W. Smith and Naomi Smith, his wife, by Deed dated January 3, 1986, and recorded January 21, 1986, in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Fluvanna County, Virginia, in Deed Book 164, at Page 865.

This description is made subject to all easements, conditions, agreements, restrictions, and reservations of record which affect the property herein described including but not limited to those recorded in Deed Book 42, at Page 350.

> Tax Map No. 58-A-20 & 58-A-21 Account No. 2366 & 2366

All those certain tracts or parcels of land, lying and being situate in the Fork Union Magisterial District, Fluvanna County, Virginia, and further described as follows:

**Tract 1**: All that certain tract or parcel of land, together with the improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging, containing 1 acre, more or less, on the north side and adjoining Virginia Secondary Highway 656, bounded on the south by the said highway, on the west by the herein after mentioned Tract 2, on the north by the tract or land now or formerly owned by Phillip Campbell, and on the east by the tract of land now or formerly owned by Tarah Morris.

Less and except an 8-foot by 8-foot square ofland, being the same land on which the water-pumping structure is located, reserved by S.T. Ranson, et al. in Deed to Arthur Ramon Thacker, et al. of record in the aforementioned Clerk's Office in Deed Book 35, at Page 92.

Tract 2: All that certain tract or parcel of land, containing one-half acre, more or less, on the north side of Virginia Secondary Highway 656, bounded by the said highway on the south, the land now or formerly owned by Mary L. and Arthur L. Kyser on the west, the tract of land now or formerly owned by Phillip Campbell on the north, and the above mentioned Tract 1 on the east.

And being a portion of the same property conveyed to Charles T. Colbert Funeral Home, Inc., a Virginia corporation, from Thomas J. Norman and Thelma C. Norman, husband and wife, and Charles T. Colbert and Kay J. Colbert, husband and wife, by Deed dated March 6, 1986, and recorded March 20, 1986, in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Fluvanna County, Virginia, in Deed Book 165, at Page 768.

This description is made subject to all easements, conditions, agreements, restrictions, and reservations of record which affect the property herein described including but not limited to those recorded in Deed Book 35, at Page 92 and Deed Book 71, at Page 404.

**IT APPEARING** that an Affidavit has been made and filed stating that due diligence has been used, without effect, to ascertain the identity and location of certain parties to be served, that the last known addresses for the Respondents herein are as follows: Charles T. Colbert Funeral Home, Inc., whose last known address is P.O. Box 143, Bremo Bluff, Virginia 23022; Charles T. Colbert aka Charles Thomas Colbert, Jr., who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is 826 Johnson Station Road, Dillwyn, Virginia 23936; Pili Rocha aka Pinto M. Rocha, Trustee and Remainderman, whose last known address is unknown; and that any officers, heirs, devisees, and successors in title of the Respondent named herein are made parties Respondent to this action individually and/or by the general description of Parties Unknown, it is hereby

**ORDERED** that the parties herein and all Parties Unknown and/or whose location cannot be ascertained appear on or before November 24, 2025 in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Fluvanna, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this cause.

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#### Pickle with purpose a sunny success

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Pickleball. Photo courtesy of Mike Feaze

Lake Monticello's first annual Pickle With Purpose pickleball tournament Saturday drew 42 happy players from the Lake, around central Virginia and as far away as Harrisonburg, raising money to benefit the community service projects of the Lake Monticello Community Foundation.

Players complimented tournament managers Glen and Susan Mead, with help from others, and organizer Craig Conboy for the quality of the venue and the weather, the organization, and the large array of attendance and other prizes.

Winners in the 3.25 and under category included: gold, Alex Martinez and Chris Wagner; silver, Cathy Burrier and John Chilson; and bronze, Gloria Morgan and Tracey Tucker. In the 3.5 and higher bracket, winners were: gold, Greg Gallello and Marcus Marquez; silver, Chase Colvin and Tamarius Washington; and bronze, Jessica James and Michael Combs.

Kimberly Kidd was the winner of the top prize in the raffle, a Connor Garnett Pro XR paddle.

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#### Fluco football crushes Hornets

BY DUNCAN NIXON CORRESPONDENT

There was never any doubt. Playing before a large and enthusiastic home crowd, the Fluvanna High football team won its third straight game decisively. The Flucos won the coin toss before the game and elected to receive. Senior wide receiver Tramayne Minor had a strong kick return bringing the ball out to the Fluco 43-yard line. Eight running plays were all the Flucos needed for their first touchdown. Senior running back Matthew Rea took it in from the 12 and junior kicker Dawson Raines converted his first of six successful PAT tries, for a 7-0 lead, with 7:18 remaining in the quarter.

The Fluco defense forced a three and out and the Fluco's second drive took up almost all the rest of the quarter. On this drive most of yards were again gained on the ground. Junior running back Kevin Jordan picked up most of the yardage. The drive culminated with Jordan gaining nine yards from the 17 and then eight for the touchdown. Raines made it 14-0.

As the first quarter expired, Orange had its only highlight of the half. A lateral on an end around was fumbled and kicked backward. An Orange running back finally picked it up about ten yards behind the line of scrimmage After dodging tacklers right and left, he

broke free for what looked like a spectacular 65 yard touchdown run, but an illegal block brought the ball back. The first quarter ended 14-0.

The Hornets were forced to punt and the Flucos marched 85 yards for their third touchdown and used up most of the clock in the process. Rea punched it into the end zone from four yards out, the PAT made it 21-0 with less than two minutes remaining in the half. The Flucos executed a pooch type onside kick perfectly to get the ball. This is short high kick over the first line of blockers. The kick was recovered at the Orange 38 by Fluco junior linebacker Keen Dickerson. With Rea doing most of the work the Flucos scored their fourth touchdown of the night when senior quarterback Will Lambert ran it in with 0:11 left in the half. Accordingly, the Flucos took a 28-0 lead into the second half.

The Hornets started the second half on offence but went three and out and punted. The Flucos again ran the ball for a couple first downs, but were confronted by a fourth down and three near mid-field. Jordan plowed forward behind strong blocking for five yards and a first-down. A holding penalty set the Flucos back to the Orange 49. Behind excellent blocking, Jordan

Fluco Football continues on page 10.



# A field walk, conversation, AND front porch dinner WITH Drew Chaney

Join us Saturday, October 25 at 1:00 p.m.

RAIN DATE\*Sunday, October 26 at 1:00 p.m. Location: Cold Hollow Farm, 317 Shannon Hill Rd., Columbia VA **Wear:** Field clothes – sturdy pants, field boots, dress for the weather! **Refreshments:** Soup provided after the walk; **please bring snacks & desserts to share!** 



Natural history is history, too! The Fluvanna Historical Society is happy to collaborate with the Piedmont Discovery Center in a public walk featuring the remarkable narrative preserved in our wild native spaces.

This is a fantastic opportunity to join one of Virginia's top botanists in the field! Join the Piedmont Discover Center's Drew Chaney, a leading expert in the flora and fauna of the Virginia Piedmont, in an exploration of natural history in the autumn landscape. Participants will learn how field technicians use bark, buds, seed plumes, thatch, basal rosettes and other clues to identify grasses, wildflowers, shrubs and trees in autumn. We will also explore the ecological importance of the imperiled ecosystems in which they occur. No question will go unanswered!

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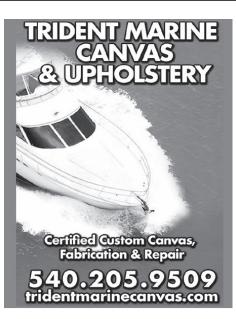
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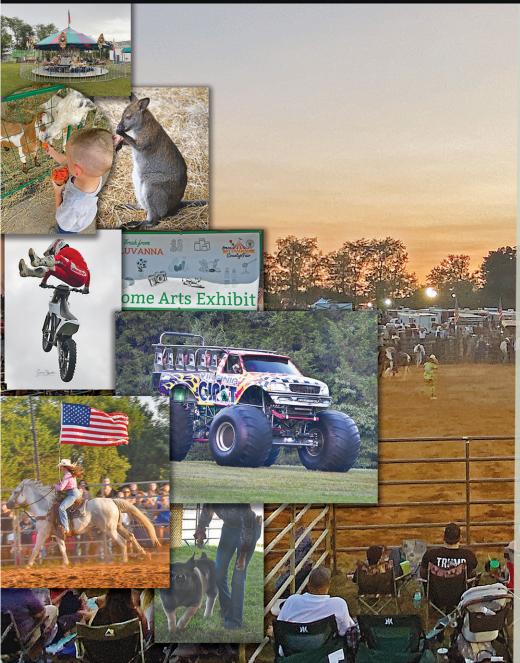
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See You Next Year...

August 13-15, 2026

Fluco Football continued from page 7.

broke into the open and out sprinted the Hornet defenders for a long touchdown run. The score at the end of the third period was 35-0.

The fourth quarter started with a good punt return by Fluco senior running back Sam Loving. The Flucos started the quarter at the Orange 44. A couple runs and a face mask penalty on the Hornets put the ball on the Orange 12 yard line. Lambert ran the ball to the two and Loving scored the sixth Fluco touchdown. With less than a minute on the clock the Flucos lost their shutout, as the Hornets scored and converted a two point extra point. The final score was 42-8.

The Fluco offence was almost entirely on the ground. The Fluco runnina backs were able to plow forward for six-, seven- and eight-yard gains behind an overpowering offensive line. Coach Mitchell Pace cited his offensive line of Hayden Marchant, Tyler Goode, Jake Heatwole, Braddock Morris and Conner Peterson for their outstanding play. Marchant is a senior, the other four are juniors.

The Flucos now host Charlottesville on Oct. 24 for their homecoming game. On Oct. 31 they travel to Goochland County. The final game of the regular season is Nov.7, when Albemarle High comes to Fluvanna for Senior Night.

#### Foundation gearing up for **Festival of Trees**

CONTRIBUTED BY MIKE FEAZEL

Preparations are underway for Lake Monticello's fifth annual Festival of Trees, Dec. 5 and 6 at the Ashlawn Clubhouse. Again, the Festival of Trees will feature free visits and photos with Santa and Mrs. Claus, beautifully decorated trees brimming with valuable gifts provided by local businesses, and a Festival dinner-dance.

Attendees can win the trees and all their prizes by buying raffle tickets and

placing them under their favorite trees. The trees and Santa will be open to the public at the free Festival of Trees Saturday, Dec. 6, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Those attending the Festival of Trees dinner-dance will get a preview of the trees Friday, Dec. 5, 6-9 p.m. There will be a choice of entrees, music by Sh'boom, dancing, free couple portraits

and wonderful door prizes - including tickets to the Biltmore Christmas Home Tour and \$250 towards lodging. Tickets are \$65 per person, with a limit of 127 tickets. The dinner-dance usually sells out auickly.

The Festival of Trees is a major fundraiser for the Lake Monticello Community Foundation, supporting their

many good works at the Lake and throughout Fluvanna County. In the past year, the Foundation aave three scholarships to local high school students. funded the mobility mat at the Main Beach, and made large contributions to community service groups such as All Blessings Flow, Meals on Wheels, the fire and rescue squad, food pantries, the Fluvanna SPCA, Dolly

Parton Imagination Library and others.

Festival of Trees dinner-dance tickets are available by emailing astewart52@ amail.com.

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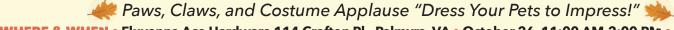


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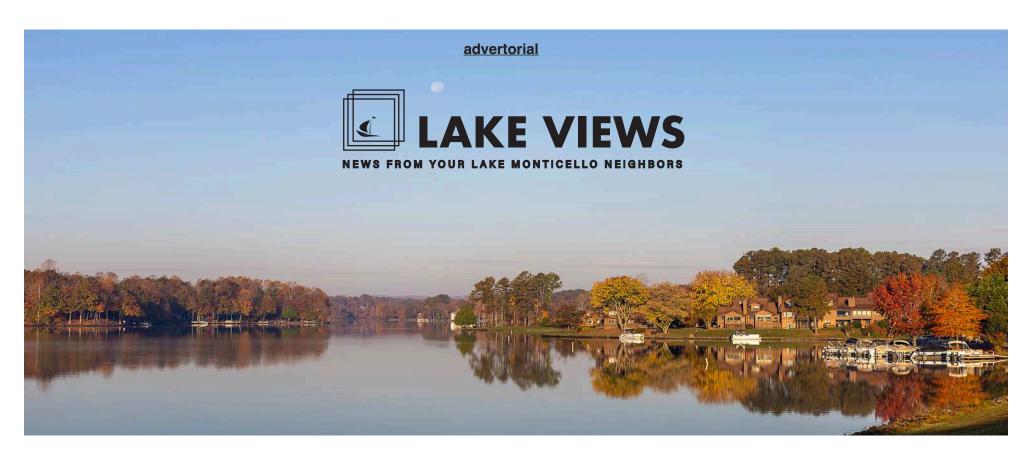
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#### **How to Prepare for the October Board Meeting**

The next LMOA Board of Directors meeting is on Thursday, October 23, 2025, at 7 PM in the Fairway Clubhouse (51 Bunker Blvd.). This meeting is for members only, and the topics that will be discussed include the PPP loan, the proposed pavilion donation and the Tufton Pond oxygenation project. Here are some tips on how to follow along:

How to Watch: If you can't make it in person, no worries! Our volunteerrun Broadcast Group records open sessions so you can still join in. You can watch it live on Comcast Channel 977 or on YouTube. We also keep the recordings available on Imoa.org for two months, so you'll have plenty of time to tune in later. These recordings are posted within a day or two of the meeting on the member side of the website under Board Meeting Details.

Sign up to Speak: If you're interested in sharing your feedback with BOD, this can only be done by attending in person. If you have comments after the meeting, you can contact the board by logging into Imoa.org and clicking on the link CONTACT THE BOARD in the brown toolbar.

Read the Packet: If you are a Member, you can find the Board Meeting Agenda and Packet by logging into Imoa.org and selecting Board Meeting Details under the GOVERNANCE tab.

#### **Next Open Budget Session**

The Lake Monticello Owners' Association 2026 Budget Draft was presented to the Finance & Audit Committee on October 16, 2025, in open session. The next opportunity to review the proposed budget will be on October 27, 2025, at 3 PM in the Lake Room at the Ashlawn Clubhouse, when the LMOA Board of Directors will review the draft. All LMOA Members are welcome to attend.

#### Please Update Billing Email and Postal Address Now

Annual billing is approaching soon. To ensure a seamless process in January, LMOA needs to verify that your billing email address is accurate and that your statement delivery method is current. Please log in to LMOA.org with the Billing ID on your statement. After logging in, navigate to 'My Profile' and click 'Edit'. Then, scroll down to review and update any email addresses on file.

#### Celebrate 50 Years of Art!

Join the Fluvanna Art Association in celebrating its 50th anniversary with a traveling art exhibit and reception. "All Around Fluvanna" begins October 22 at the Ashlawn Clubhouse at Lake Monticello, 41 Ashlawn Blvd., where it will remain until October 26. From October 27 to December 9, 2025, you can view the show at the Fluvanna County Library's Community Room, 214 Commons Blvd., Palmyra. The 50th Anniversary Reception will take place at Ashlawn Clubhouse on October 23, 2025, from 6 to 8 PM. Both the exhibit and reception are open to the public, with food and beverages professionally catered. Bring along your friends and family! For fifty years, the Fluvanna Art Association has served as a vibrant hub for creativity, collaboration, and community engagement.

Composed of both artists and patrons, the organization fosters a deep appreciation for the visual arts through exhibitions, educational programs, and community events. Over the decades, it has nurtured generations of artists, supported local talent, and showcased Fluvanna County's diverse artistic population. Rooted in a shared passion for the arts, the association continues to evolve while honoring its rich history—bridging the past and present to ensure that creativity and cultural enrichment flourish in Fluvanna County for years to come.

#### **LMOA WILDLIFE & CONSERVATION TIP**

Last week, the LMOA Wildlife Committee celebrated the community's Wildlife Habitat Certification. That means more than 150 homeowners at Lake Monticello have created spaces on their property to help wildlife thrive. Lake Monticello's charming, wooded character truly makes it a one-of-a-kind neighborhood, and while sharing space with a wonderful variety of wildlife is something to be proud of, it also provides an important opportunity to learn more about what that really means. Living alongside such a diverse array of wild animals brings a special responsibility. This fall, the committee would like to share tips on how to coexist with wildlife as well as conserve soil on your lots. Let's start with avoiding deer-vehicle collisions:

Be alert! Deer-vehicle collisions are most common during this time of year due to changes in deer behavior. The highest number of

incidents occurs in October and November, and remains elevated in December, especially around dawn and dusk when deer are most active.

You can reduce your risk of a deervehicle collision by:

- Actively scanning the road ahead and along the shoulders for deer, especially for the reflection of their eyes.
- Using your high beams when possible, unless another vehicle is approaching.
- Slowing down immediately if you see a deer near the roadwaythere are often others nearby. If one deer crosses, expect others to follow.
- Honking your horn when you see a deer to move them out of the roadway.

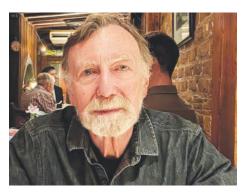
#### **SAVE THE DATE**

November 16 Free Virginia Safe Boating Course | 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM This free Safe Boating Course will be offered at Ashlawn Clubhouse. This interactive course fulfills the Virginia State boating safety requirement for PWC and motorboat operators. At the end of the day, participants will receive a boating safety card that is recognized throughout the state and country, and it never expires. Topics include: Safe Boating Practices, Navigation Rules, Virginia Boating Laws, and Emergency Procedures. Register for the course at www.register-ed.com/events/ view/235478.

Questions? Call Diane Kerr at 571-296-1981.

#### Lyons to talk about Arcadia with Friends of the Library

BY PAGE H. GIFFORD CORRESPONDENT



John Lyons. Submitted photo

John D. Lyons will discuss his mystery novel, Arcadia, with Friends of the Library on Nov. 5 at 10 a.m. Lyons taught French and Italian film and literature for half a century at Dartmouth College and the University of Virginia. He is the author of ten books, including Before Imagination and Tragedy and the Return of the Dead, and the editor of many others. He is a member of the Légion d'Honneur.

Arcadia is his first novel, focusing on a young protagonist, art historian Gregory Byrne, who takes a teaching job at Thornton College in Vermont. While selecting textbooks for his

course, he settles into the office of his predecessor, Volker Baum. He soon learns that Baum had been found dead in a pool of blood in his room at the American Academy in Rome. It doesn't take long for Greg to learn that the idyllic campus is full of secrets. He wondered if there could be a key to these secrets in the work of the Baroque artist whom Baum and Greg both study, Nicolas Poussin. Among Poussin's paintings was the enigmatic "Shepherds of Arcadia," which depicts three young men trying to decipher a fragmentary Latin inscription.

As Greg works against the clock

to finish a book on coded meanings in Baroque painting and thus secure tenure, the newspapers report that the British intelligence agency MI5 has admitted that the world's leading expert on Poussin was a spy, a double agent working on behalf of the Soviets. Does all this fit together? Or is Gregory losing his grip on reality?

'The book is essentially a version of my own first decades as a college teacher in a liberal arts college in New England. The primary difference is that the protagonist, Greg Byrne, is an art historian, whereas my field is French literature and film," said Lyons. "Looking back across the decades, it struck me that so many things that happened in

#### PUBLIC NOTICES

#### VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF FLUVANNA

COUNTY OF FLUVANNA, VIRGINIA, a Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia, Complainant,

CASSIE REYNOLDS A/KIA CASSIE WAYMAN, ETAL Respondent(s).

Case No.: CL25-779

#### ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Complainant, County of Fluvanna, Virginia, for delinquent real estate taxes against certain real property located in the County of Fluvanna, Virginia, described as follows:

Tax Map No. 50-A-79 Account No. 3228

All that certain lot, piece, or parcel of real property, lying and being situate in the Fork Union Magisterial District of Fluvanna County, Virginia, on the southwest side of and adjoining Virginia State Highway No. 6, containing two (2) acres, more or less, and described as follows:

BEGINNING at an iron stake on the southwest side of said Highway between the line now or formerly of W. G. Melton and wife and Katherine P. Johnson, thence in a southwesterly direction along the Johnson line and extending in a straight line a distance of 630 feet to an iron stake, thence in a southeasterly direction parallel with the Highway a distance of 210 feet to an iron stake, thence in a northeasterly direction in a straight line along the line of the lot now or formerly of Minnie Wright a distance of 630 feet to an iron stake on the southwest side of said Highway, thence in a northwesterly direction along said Highway 210 feet to the point of BEGINNING.

Less and except that 0.51 acre portion ofland conveyed to the Commonwealth of Virginia by Deed dated August 12, 1966, and recorded November 3, 1966, among the records of the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Fluvanna County, Virginia in Deed Book 69 at Page 451.

And being the remaining portion of real property conveyed to Cassie Reynolds and Frank Collins, jointly, from W. G. Melton and Ida G. Melton, his wife, by Deed dated August 26, 1963 and recorded August 28, 1963 among the records of the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Fluvanna County, Virginia in Deed Book 63 at Page 250.

This description is made subject to all easements, conditions, agreements, restrictions, and reservations of record which affect the property herein described including but not limited to those recorded in Deed Book 70 at Page 88, Deed Book 69 at Page 451.

IT APPEARING that an Affidavit has been made and filed stating that due diligence has been used, without effect, to ascertain the identity and location of certain parties to be served, that the last known addresses for the Respondents herein are as follows: Cassie Reynolds, whose last known address is unknown; Frank Collie a/k/a Frank Collins, whose last known address is unknown; and that any officers, heirs, devisees, and successors in title of the Respondent named herein are made parties Respondent to this action individually and/or by the general description of Parties Unknown, it is hereby

ORDERED that the parties herein and all Parties Unknown and/or whose location cannot be ascertained appear on or before December 8, 2025 in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Fluvanna, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this cause.

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#### VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF FLUVANNA

#### COUNTY OF FLUVANNA, VIRGINIA, a Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia,

Complainant,

JOHN BOWLES, ET AL

Respondent(s).

Case No.: CL25-736

#### ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Complainant, County of Fluvanna, Virginia, for delinquent real estate taxes against certain real property located in the County of Fluvanna, Virginia, described as follows:

> Tax Map No. 31-A-38 Account No. 309311

All that certain lot, piece, or parcel of real property, lying and being situate in Fluvanna County, Virginia, being located on or near Oak Creek Road, containing 3 acres, more or less, known as Tax Map Number 31-A-38.

And being a portion of the real property conveyed to Stephen Johnson from Abraham Shepherd Jr. and his wife, by Deed dated and recorded October 17, 1850 among the records of the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Fluvanna County, Virginia in Deed Book 16 O.S. at Page 62.

This description is made subject to all easements, conditions, agreements, restrictions, and reservations of record which affect the property herein described including but not limited to those recorded in Deed Book 25 at Page 176, Deed Book 29 at Page 57.

IT APPEARING that an Affidavit has been made and filed stating that due diligence has been used, without effect, to ascertain the identity and location of certain parties to be served, that the last known addresses for the Respondents herein are as follows: John Bowles, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; Stephen Johnson a/k/a Stephen P. Johnson, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; Mary E. Johnson, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; William A. Johnson, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; and that any officers, heirs, devisees, and successors in title of the Respondent named herein are made parties Respondent to this action individually and/or by the general description of Parties Unknown, it is hereby

ORDERED that the parties herein and all Parties Unknown and/or whose location cannot be ascertained appear on or before November 21, 2025 in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Fluvanna, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this cause.

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that small college town with its many international connections - through

study-abroad programs students; research travel; visiting faculty seemed implausible and almost inexplicable. Sometimes things were simply strange, sometimes they were funny, sometimes they were cruel."

Where art has a deeper meaning than what we see, some may view this as similar to Dan Brown's The Davinci Code.

"I can see that Dan Brown would come to

mind, especially because the protagonist imagines or stumbles upon strange

> historical circumstances. But that is not the emphasis of this story."

> Lyons explains his approach and how he laid it

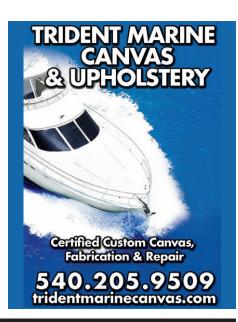
> "The main character is a somewhat more paranoid version of my younger self. The story is light on plot, mostly concerned with historical moments, places in Vermont, Boston, Florence. Bucharest, and Cambridge, UK, atmosphere, and relationships," he said. "The

writing was surprisingly easy and enjoyable, especially given that all my previous books have been nonfiction."

He said a sequel is not out of the question.

"I'm interested in a sequel, one that would not follow the main character of Arcadia, but rather some of his former students. The goal would be to bring the story up to the year 2000."

Lyons will have copies of Arcadia for the library presentation, but they will not be for sale. Anyone who makes a \$10 donation to Friends of the Library can have a copy.



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#### VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF FLUVANNA

ARCADIA

COUNTY OF FLUVANNA, VIRGINIA, a Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia,

Complainant,

FRANK MORRIS, ET AL.

Respondent(s).

**Case No.: CL25-738** 

#### **ORDER OF PUBLICATION**

The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Complainant, County of Fluvanna, Virginia, for delinquent real estate taxes against certain real property located in the County of Fluvanna, Virginia, described as follows:

> Tax Map No. 49-A-37 Account No. 3432

All that certain tract or parcel of land, lying and being situate in the Fork Union Magisterial District of Fluvanna County, Virginia, containing 10 acres, more or less...

And being the same property conveyed to Frank Morris from William Hill and Mary Hill, his wife, by Deed dated November 4, 1890, and recorded August 27, 1891, in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Fluvanna County, Virginia, in Deed Book 26, at Page 371.

This description is made subject to all easements, conditions, agreements, restrictions, and reservations of record which affect the property herein

IT APPEARING that an Affidavit has been made and filed stating that due diligence has been used, without effect, to ascertain the identity and location of certain parties to be served, that the last known addresses for the Respondents herein are as follows: Frank Morris, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; and that any officers, heirs, devisees, and successors in title of the Respondent named herein are made parties Respondent to this action individually and/or by the general description of Parties Unknown, it is hereby

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Complainant, Case No.: CL25-737 THOMAS SMITH, ET AL.

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF FLUVANNA

Respondent(s).

COUNTY OF FLUVANNA, VIRGINIA,

a Political Subdivision of

the Commonwealth of Virginia,

#### **ORDER OF PUBLICATION**

The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Complainant, County of Fluvanna, Virginia, for delinquent real estate taxes against certain real property located in the County of Fluvanna, Virginia, described as follows:

> Tax Map No. 51-A-171 Account No.3180

All that certain tract or parcel ofland, situated in the Fork Union Magisterial District of Fluvanna County, Virginia, containing 4 acres, more or less, lying on the road leading from Bethel Church to Corinth Church (said road no longer exists), beginning at a red oak on the west side of said road, thence with said road N 9 poles, N 12 W 12 poles thence N 3 E 8.5 poles, thence leaving said road, N 84 E 25 poles to a branch, thence up said branch as it meanders 42.5 poles, thence leaving said branch S 68 W 15.5 poles to the beginning.

Being the same property conveyed to Thomas Smith and Richard Smith from Louisa Mathews, unmarried, by Deed dated March 9, 1923, and recorded March 23, 1923, in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Fluvanna County, Virginia, in Deed Book 14, at Page 11.

This description is made subject to all easements, conditions, agreements, restrictions, and reservations of record which affect the property herein described.

IT APPEARING that an Affidavit has been made and filed stating that due diligence has been used, without effect, to ascertain the identity and location of certain parties to be served, that the last known addresses for the Respondents herein are as. follows: Thomas Smith, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; Richard Smith, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; and that any officers, heirs, devisees, and successors in title of the Respondent named herein are made parties Respondent to this action individually and/or by the general description of Parties Unknown, it is hereby

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#### Rising costs and uncertain revenues shape FY27 school budget outlook

BY HEATHER MICHON CORRESPONDENT

Fluvanna County Public Schools (FCPS) officials say rising costs for pay, health insurance, and special education are likely to drive a challenging budget cycle heading into Fiscal Year 2027, even as enrollment edges higher and state funding remains unpredictable.

During the budget seminar on Tuesday (Oct. 14), Superintendent Dr. Peter Gretz and new Finance Director Gemma Soares presented the School Board with early projections and trends shaping next year's spending plan.

Case No.: CL25-753

Despite years of work to increase compensation and improve retention, pay remains the district's top concerns.

"We were never able to close those gaps," Gretz said of recent pay adjustments. "Divisions that had the resources to respond gave their own increases."

Neighboring counties continue to outpace Fluvanna in salary scales, creating what Gretz called "year-over-year vigilance" to stay competitive in recruiting and retaining teachers and staff.

Adding to the pressure are health insurance premiums, which Soares said are expected to rise again next year.

The division has not yet received word from the Virginia Department of Education on whether the state will offer any offsetting funds. "We don't have any information to share with you about what to expect from the state," she told board members.

The division's special education (SPED) population also exceeds surrounding school districts. "We do have the highest SPED rate of those divisions being compared," Gretz noted. "I'm stunned by the SPED bit." Serving those students requires additional staffing, aides, and transportation costs-often

#### PUBLIC NOTICES

#### VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF FLUVANNA

COUNTY OF FLUVANNA, VIRGINIA, a Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia,

Complainant,

FRANK WELLS, ET AL.

Respondent(s).

COUNTY OF FLUVANNA, VIRGINIA,

a Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia, Complainant,

CONSTANCE LEWIS AKA CONSTANCE COOPER ANDERSON, ET AL. Respondent(s).

Case No.: CL25-751

#### **ORDER OF PUBLICATION**

The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Complainant, County of Fluvanna, Virginia, for delinquent real estate taxes against certain real property located in the County of Fluvanna, Virginia, described as follows:

> Tax Map No. 58-A-63 Account No. 3486

All that certain tract or parcel of land, lying and being situate in the Fork Union Magisterial District of Fluvanna County, Virginia, containing 10 acres, more or less.

And being the same property conveyed to Frank Wells from James S. Tisdale and Ella P. Tisdale, his wife, as attorney for Anna K. Minter and in their own right, by Deed dated July 8, 1879, and recorded October 3,1881, in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Fluvanna County, Virginia, in Deed Book 23, at Page 228.

This description is made subject to all easements, conditions, agreements, restrictions, and reservations of record which affect the property herein described.

IT APPEARING that an Affidavit has been made and filed stating that due diligence has been used, without effect, to ascertain the identity and location of certain parties to be served, that the last known addresses for the Respondents herein are as follows: Frank Wells, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; and that any officers, heirs, devisees, and successors in title of the Respondent named herein are made parties Respondent to this action individually and/or by the general description of Parties Unknown, it is hereby

**ORDERED** that the parties herein and all Parties Unknown and/or whose location cannot be ascertained appear on or before November 21, 2025 in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Fluvanna, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this cause.

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> Tax Map No. 52-A-70 Account No. 2704

All that certain tract or parcel of land, lying and being situate in the Fork Union Magisterial District of Fluvanna County, Virginia, containing 7 acres, more or less, adjoining the lands now or formerly owned by James Kyle, Cary Cox, the Public School lot, and others.

And being a portion of the same property conveyed to Constance Lewis from Estelle Cooper, widow, by Deed dated and recorded August 7, 1939, in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Fluvanna County, Virginia, in Deed Book 27, at Page 221.

This description is made subject to all easements, conditions, agreements, restrictions, and reservations of record which affect the property herein described.

IT APPEARING that an Affidavit has been made and filed stating that due diligence has been used, without effect, to ascertain the identity and location of certain parties to be served, that the last known addresses for the Respondents herein are as follows: Constance Lewis aka Constance Cooper Anderson, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; and that any officers, heirs, devisees, and successors in title of the Respondent named herein are made parties Respondent to this action individually and/or by the general description of Parties Unknown, it is hereby

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without state reimbursement to ease the burden on the budget.

Other pressures include technology and infrastructure needs, such as outdated network switches and aging school facilities, as well as student support positions like attendance staff and school security officers that have been funded temporarily through grants or one-time carryover money. Maintaining those roles beyond this year will require local funding.

Enrollment continues to grow modestly, particularly in elementary grades. "We were projecting 3,195 this year," Soares said, "what we actually saw was about 60 kids more," all in grades K to 7.

Even slight growth, she added, can require additional staff or classroom adjustments.

Inflation adds another layer of complexity, with rising costs for transportation, utilities, and supplies eating into the division's discretionary spending.

Gretz said the goal is to link these fiscal realities to the division's strategic plan and community priorities as budget drafting begins later this fall. "The key is maintaining momentum while being realistic about what our resources will allow," he said.

The School Board will continue refining the FY27 proposal over the coming months before submitting it to the Board of Supervisors early next year.

#### Carryover funds

Another topic of conversation was what to do about the \$443,500 in carrvover funds.

Carryover funds are unspent dollars from the previous fiscal year that a school division can request the county to re-appropriate for specific one-time expenses such as equipment, maintenance, or safety upgrades.

The carryover list included funding for a School Resource Officer, a School Security Officer (SSO) at the middle school, attendance support positions, PSAT testing costs, and several technology and facility projects.

"The purpose is to allocate funds to needs that directly support school safety, instruction, and operations," Soares said.

James Kelley (Palmyra) said the proposal "articulates our interest in having safe schools and investing in student outcomes," adding that most items on the list represented long-term maintenance and technology needs delayed by previous budget cycles.

Other items in the package include a \$100,000 network switch replacement, \$45,000 for auditorium audiovisual upgrades, \$50,000 for a Central Elementary bathroom renovation, and \$25,000 for a FuelMaster Live fuel monitoring

The motion to approve the carryover list passed 3-0 with two members not present.



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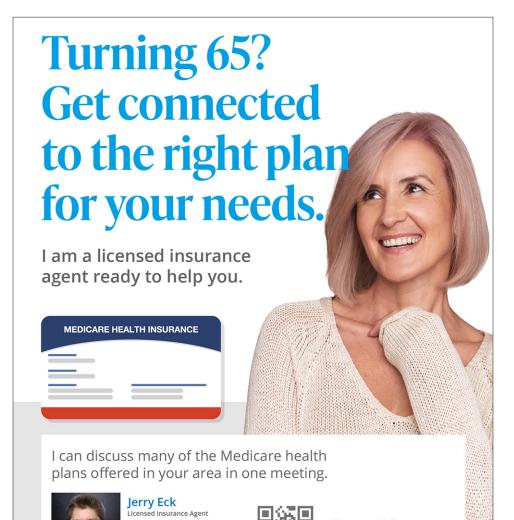


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#### COUNTY OF FLUVANNA, VIRGINIA, a Political Subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia,

Complainant,

MERLYN J. EDWARDS, ET AL. Respondent(s). Case No.: CL25-349

#### ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to enforce the lien of the Complainant, County of Fluvanna, Virginia, for delinquent real estate taxes against certain real property located in the County of Fluvanna, Virginia, described as follows:

> Tax Map No. 13-A-23 & 13-A-16 Account No. 301904 & 301904

All those certain tracts or parcels of land, situate in the Columbia Magisterial District of Fluvanna County, Virginia, and further described as follows, to-wit:

Parcel 1: Lying and being about one mile from Jordan's Store, adjoining the lands now or formerly owned by Warner Arnett and others, containing 48 acres, more or less, and being known on the tax rolls of Fluvanna County, Virginia, as Tax Map Number 13-A-23.

**Parcel 2:** Containing 11, acres more less, adjoining the above land, half inherited by Eugene Edwards from his mother, Martha Edwards, and half purchased from his sister, J. Locker, less and except one acre, more or less, conveyed by Carrie L. Edwards to Randolph Arnett by Deed dated March 29, 1941; of record in the Circuit Court Clerk's Office of Fluvanna County, Virginia, in Deed Book 28, at Page 400, and known on the tax rolls of Fluvanna County, Virginia, as Tax Map Number 13-A-16. County, Virginia, as Tax Map Number 13-A-23.

And being the remaining portion of the same property conveyed to Carrie L. Edwards, Trustee, for the benefit of the children of Carrie L. Edwards and Eugene Edwards, namely Naomi V. Edwards, William R. Edwards, and Philisha C. Edwards aka Felecia Edwards Moses, from Eugene Edwards, subject to the life estate interest of Eugene Edwards and Carrie L. Edwards, by Deed dated December 9, 1924, and recorded January 6, 1925, in the Circuit Court Clerk's Office of Fluvanna County, Virginia, in Deed Book 15, at Page 229.

The said Eugene Edwards died September 19, 1927, and the said Carrie L. Edwards died February 14, 1964, thus extinguishing their life estate interest.

And further being the same property conveyed to Ramona Edwards aka Ramona J. Morales, William Edwards aka William J. Edwards, and Christine C. Edwards (erroneously referred to in said Quitclaim Deed as Christian Marshall) from Stephen D. Edwards by Quitclaim Deed dated March 21, 1996, and recorded May 30, 1996, in the aforementioned Clerk's Office in Deed Book 299, at Page 702.

And further being the same property conveyed to Christine C. Edwards, Trustee of The Christine C. Edwards Living Trust 31JUL09, from Christine C. Edwards by Quitclaim Deed dated September 3, 2009, and recorded October 1, 2009, in the aforementioned Clerk's Office in Deed Book 804, at Page 85, and as Instrument Number 0903934.

And further being the same property devised to Merlyn J. Edwards pursuant to the Last Will and Testament of William J. Edwards, deceased, dated April 17, 1972, and recorded February 2, 2011, in the aforementioned Clerk's Office in Will Book 59, at Page 286, and as Instrument

This description is made subject to all easements, conditions, agreements, restrictions, and reservations of record which affect the property herein described including but not limited to those recorded in Deed Book 73, at Page 510.

IT APPEARING that an Affidavit has been made and filed stating that due diligence has been used, without effect, to ascertain the identity and location of certain parties to be served, that the last known addresses for the Respondents herein are as follows: Naomi V. Edwards, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; William R. Edwards, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; Bemetta Corinne Edwards aka Vemetta C. Edwards, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; William Jonathan Edwards, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is 3728 Detrick Trail, Dumfries, Virginia 22025; Christine C. Edwards, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is 2938 Woodlawn Avenue, Falls Church, Virginia 22042; Judson D. Marshall, whose last known address is 9506 Natchez Trail Court, #C, Manassas, Virginia 20110; Christine C. Edwards, Trustee of The Christine C. Edwards Living Trust 31JUL09, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is 2938 Woodlawn Avenue, Falls Church, Virginia 22042; Ramona Jeanette Edwards aka Ramona J. Morales, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is 3113 S 12th Street, Arlington, Virginia 22204; Philisha C. Edwards aka Felecia Edwards Moses, who is believed to be deceased and whose last known address is unknown; Tax Map Number 13-A-16, Account Number 301904, whose last known address is unknown; and that any officers, heirs, devisees, and successors in title of the Respondent named herein are made parties Respondent to this action individually and/or by the general description of Parties Unknown, it is hereby

**ORDERED** that the parties herein and all Parties Unknown and/or whose location cannot be ascertained appear on or before November 24, 2025 in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Fluvanna, Virginia, and do what may be necessary to protect their interests in this cause.

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#### Fighting breast cancer

Join your neighbors as Fluvanna enters the fight against breast cancer with a walk/ run/ hike at Pleasant Grove Park pole barn from 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Oct. 25. For information visit https:// tinyurl.com/Team502512.

#### **Ruritans** meet

The Fluvanna Ruritan Club will hold its October meeting on Saturday Oct. 25 at 2:30 p.m. at the Wilmington Clubhouse, 1083 Wilmington Road, in Palmyra. Join us for our annual picnic. Contact us at fluvannaruritanclub@gmail.com or 571-208-2895.

#### **Bybee Trunk R Treat**

Bybee's Road Baptist Church will host a Trunk R Treat on Saturday, Nov. 1, from 5 to 6 p.m. in the church parking lot at 4989 Bybee's Church Road, in Troy. More information at 434-589-2824 www. bybeechurch.org.

#### Salem bazaar

Salem UMC, 840 Salem Church Rd., in Palmyra will hold its annual bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 1, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. There will be artisans/crafts, Brunswick stew, baked goods and a downstairs full of Christmas items/decorations for sale. All proceeds will be donated to the local food bank. Also, bring your gently used/new coats (all sizes- including hats, scarves & gloves) to benefit the International Rescue Committee.

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FCSS Happy Face Christmas Party will be held Saturday, **Dec. 6** at Central Elementary School, beginning at 9 a.m. FCSS is collecting new toys (\$20 minimum), stuffed animals and books for children infant to 13 years of age; also collecting new winter coats and pj's size infant to 18. Collection boxes are set up at various locations. To volunteer or have questions email mlindauer4@qmail.com.

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#### YARD SALES

THREE DAY YARD SALES: Fri., Oct. 24, Sat., Oct.25 & Sun., Oct. 26 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 14 Rockwood Lane inside Lake Monticello. Clothing, dresses, shoes, handbags, jackets, Jewelry, perfume. Garden items, tools, Craftsman Workshop Radial Saw, ladders, etc. Housewares, lamps, blankets. Office supplies, small furniture, stationery, toys. AVON products and More! Bring ad to main gate for directions.

#### **HELP WANTED**

# Part Time Project Coordinator for Tadpole Land & Trail Conservancy

TL&TC owns two parcels of land in Fluvanna destined to be nature preserves with public trails. This new position is contract employment for approximately 680 hours per year at \$22 an hour. The Coordinator will report to the TL&TC board chairman & will work closely with board members & volunteers.

#### The position will include:

- Recruiting & coordinating trail volunteers
- Overseeing website Tadpolepreserves.org
- Assisting with grant applications
- Promoting TL&TC mission & efforts on social media
- Publicizing public events such as a proposed informational meeting about conservation easements
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#### NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE SALE

#### 36 Northwood Road, Palmyra, VA 22963

By virtue of the power and authority contained in a Deed of Trust dated February 16, 2005 and recorded at February 24, 2005 in Book 620 Page 243 and a Loan Modification recorded on July 14, 2023 in Instrument Number 230001940 in the Clerk's Office for the Fluvanna County Virginia Circuit Court, Virginia, securing a loan which was originally \$122,500.00. The appointed SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE, Commonwealth Trustees, LLC will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Fluvanna Circuit Court located at 72 Main Street, Palmyra, Virginia 22963.

#### November 14, 2025 at 11:00 AM

improved real property, with an abbreviated legal description of the following described property, to wit:

ALL THAT CERTAIN LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND, LYING AND BEING IN THE CUNNINGHAM DISTRICT, FLUVANNA COUNTY, VIRGINIA, FRONTING ON NORTHWOOD ROAD AND IDENTIFIED AS LOT 143, PHASE V-TUFTON, LAKE MONTICELLO, ON A CERTAIN PLAT OF SURVEY PREPARED BY ROBERT L LUM. CERTIFIED LAND SURVEYOR. DATED MARCH 21, 1988. RECORDED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF FLUVANNA COUNTY, VIRGINIA, IN DEED BOOK 187, PAGE 801.

AND as more fully described in the aforesaid Deed of Trust.

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FOR INFORMATION CONTACT

Rosenberg & Associates, LLC (Attorney for the Secured Party) 4340 East West Highway, Suite 600 Bethesda, MD 20814 301-907-8000 www.rosenberg-assoc.com

#### Supervisors turn towards 2026 priorities

BY HEATHER MICHON CORRESPONDENT

It may only be October, but the Fluvanna County Board of Supervisors is already looking ahead to 2026.

On Wednesday (Oct. 15), they spent some time looking at legislative priorities that might impact Fluvanna County during the coming General Assembly session in January, outlining concerns ranging from school funding formulas to election workloads and local control over development.

Board members agreed the county must push for fairer treatment in state education funding, noting that Fluvanna contributes a larger local share than many neighboring localities.

Supervisors suggested asking legislators to review the state's calculation of the local composite index — the formula that determines how much each county is expected to contribute to public education — to better reflect rural economies and rising costs.

The board also discussed pressures on the county registrar's office, citing multiple primaries and extended early-voting periods.

Other items likely to appear on the 2026 priority list include support for maintaining local authority over utility-scale solar and data-center projects, and continuing coordination through the Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission and the Virginia Association of Counties (VACO) to advocate for regional issues.

#### **Funding**

County CSA Manager Judy Blakey briefed supervisors on higher-than-expected costs under the Children's Services Act.

CSA staff coordinate and fund support for local children with serious emotional, behavioral or educational needs, helping them get the services they need to stay safe and thrive in their community.

Funding for these services is a mix of state money and local matching funds. Blakey was requesting additional funds to cover a shortfall in this year's

budget caused by higher-than-expected service costs for children referred through schools, social services, and the courts.

The board unanimously approved a \$40,798 supplemental appropriation to cover the shortfall.

#### Tenaska

Tenaska's proposal to build a second gas-fired power station near Scottsville was not on the agenda, but it did come up in the unfinished business portion of the meeting.

Earlier in October, the Planning Commission deferred decisions on several key permits Tenaska will need to move forward.

Board members acknowledged the public's continued interest and concern about the project, particularly following recent community meetings and the Planning Commission's decision to delay a recommendation until 2026.

Supervisors noted that citizens have raised questions about potential impacts on air quality, water use, and long-term environmental effects, as well as the county's ability to weigh those concerns against possible tax revenue benefits

Several supervisors indicated they would be interested in seeing independent confirmation of some Tenaska's claims about the limits of their ability to mitigate the sound coming from the existing plant, as well as from the proposed new plant.

They are also concerned about how the project would impact traffic on area roads. Tenaska has said they believe there will be an additional 800-900 vehicles on the road per day during the multi-year construction of the new plant.

The board agreed to keep the item on the radar but took no formal action, signaling that any further county deliberations would wait until Tenaska submits revised plans or supporting studies.





2026 Training Class Information Sessions for New Master Gardeners

Join us for information sessions about the 2026 training course at the Fluvanna Public Library.

- Thursday, October 30, 6:00-7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, November 13, 1:00-2:30 p.m.

The 2026 Master Gardener Training Course dates are from January 10 to May 2, 2026. The course is offered by Fluvanna Master Gardeners and experts with specialized knowledge in horticulture. There will be virtual online (by ZOOM) classes and in-person workshops. Applications are open for enrollment now on the Fluvanna Master Gardeners website: https://www.fluvannamg.org/or using the following link: https://bttr.im/rbhtfor by scanning the QR code.





Interested in hearing more about the proposed Expedition power plant? Come speak with the project team.

# **TENASKA OFFICE HOURS:**

Wednesday, October 29

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