Kelly Horinek (back) and her son, Cash Horinek, on the burlap-sack slide at the Arlington County Fair.

All’s Fair at County Fair

Farewell to Martha Ann Miller, 106

Celebrating Friendship
Martha Ann Miller, 106

Martha Ann Miller, an Arlington resident for 80 years who worked to improve public schools here, died Wednesday, Aug. 16, 2017 at Sunrise at Bluemont. She had celebrated her 106th birthday 10 days earlier.

At age 101, Mrs. Miller self-published her autobiography, “The First Century and Not Ready for the Rocking Chair Yet,” to make her great-grandchildren aware of her legacy of community service and her faith in God. On her most recent birthday, friends from Clarendon United Methodist Church donated 106 boxes of cereal to the Arlington Food Assistance Center pantry at the church, where Mrs. Miller had been instrumental in strengthening the music ministry and other programs.

Martha Ann Riggs was born Aug. 6, 1911, in Evansville, Ind., where she honed her math skills by tracking the per-serving cost of baked goods she made and served to her family and farm hands. As part of that 4-H project, she baked a Blue Ribbon loaf of bread that, at age 14, earned her a four-year scholarship to Purdue University. She credited the scholarship, which she used for a home economics and math degree during the Great Depression, with providing the education she needed to excel later in life.

She moved to a friend’s porch in Washington to look for work and found it demonstrating gas ranges. Later, Mrs. Miller taught math at Stratford Junior High School and in 1959 defied the Commonwealth’s “massive resistance” to school integration ordered by the Supreme Court by welcoming black students to her classroom when other teachers refused and the school principal resisted. The General Assembly reacted to Arlington’s impertinence by rescinding permission for an elected school board until 1992, when elected boards were permitted statewide.

Mrs. Miller was an active supporter of the American Association of University Women, the Committee of 100, Wesley Seminary and WETA public television. Arlington’s Commission on the Status of Women honored her as a Person of Vision in 1997.

Survivors include her son, Malcolm R. Miller of Santa Rosa, Calif., and daughter, Meg (Phil) Filiatrault of Georgetown, S.C.; four grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren. Her husband, their son William, and daughter Winifred preceded Mrs. Miller in death.

Her funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 25, at Clarendon United Methodist Church, 606 N. Irving St., followed by burial at Columbia Gardens Cemetery, 3411 Arlington Blvd., and a reception at the church. The family will greet friends Thursday, Aug. 24, from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Murphy Funeral Home, 4510 Wilson Blvd. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to the Society of St. Andrew at endhunger.org.

“Flourishing After 55”

“Flourishing After 55” from Arlington Office of Senior Adult Programs for Aug. 28-Sept. 2

Senior centers: Lee, 5722 Lee Hwy.; Langston-Brown Senior Center, 2121 N. Culpeper St.; Walter Reed, 2009 S. 16th St.; Arlington Mill, 909 S. Dinwiddie St.; Aurora Hills, 735 S. 18th St.

Senior trips: Monday, Aug. 28, National Building Museum exhibit, “Architecture of an Asylum,” $13; Tuesday, Aug. 29, St. Michael’s cruise from Annapolis, $71; Thursday, Aug. 31, National Museum of African American History and Culture, D.C., Thursday, Aug. 31, $6; Friday, Sept. 1, Solomons Island, Md.; $8; Saturday, Sept. 2, Maryland Renaissance Festival, Crownsville, Md., $25 Call Arlington County 55+ Travel, 703-228-4748. Registration required.

NEW PROGRAMS:
Tennis for adults, 55+, 9 a.m., Bluemont Park tennis courts. Register, 703-228-4771.

Garden group, Monday, Aug. 28, 1 p.m., Walter Reed. Meet garden expert Pete Jones. Register, 703-228-0955.

Memories of Arlington, Tuesday, Aug. 29, 11:30 a.m. Lee. Newcomers welcome. Register 703-228-0555.

Estate planning for persons with chronic conditions, Wednesday, Aug. 30, 7 p.m., Arlington Mill. Register, 703-228-7369.

Harmonica Blues, performance, Wednesday, Aug. 30, 11 a.m., Walter Reed. Details, 703-228-0955.

How much food is needed daily. Wednesday, Aug. 30, 1:30 p.m., Aurora Hills. Register, 703-228-5722.

Improve fitness through Smartphone apps, Wednesday, Aug. 30, 11 a.m., Arlington Mill. Register, 703-228-7369.

Arlington Walking Club, Wednesday, Aug. 30, 9:30 a.m., Lubber Run Community Center, S4. Details, 703-228-4403.

Nutritious appetizers, Thursday, Aug. 31, 11 a.m., Walter Reed. Register, 703-228-0955.

Fast Forwards walking group, Friday, Sept. 1, 10 a.m., Lee. Register, 703-228-0955.

Spellbinders (volunteer storytellers), Friday, Sept. 1, 9:30 a.m., Langston-Brown. Newcomers welcome Register, 703-228-0555.

Register online by Saturday, Sept. 2 for 2017 Northern Virginia Senior Olympics, www.nvso.us or call 703-830-5604.
All’s Fair at County Fair

Food and fun for all at Arlington’s annual celebration.

By Vernon Miles
The Connection

The County Fair is one of the biggest events in Arlington County, with people from across the region flocking to the lot outside the Thomas Jefferson Community Center. Carnival rides, food trucks, and games fill the open field, while local organizations put on a convention-style showcase.

But tucked away in a back corner of that field is one of the fair’s most popular attractions. Dozens of fairgoers crowd around a tiny race track with anticipation. The race host, Travis Culver, emerges from a trailer and begins to excite the crowd, picking out members of the audience to step into various jobs around the track. Finally, the pigs emerge. In twos and fours, the pink piglets dash around the circle, some moving with more urgency and enthusiasm than others.

There’s even a few races later in the day with goats.

Charlie Cromer and Culver have been racing pigs for years. Cromer has been managing pig races for five years and got into the business when his son needed help. For both of them, being a travelling show is one of the best parts of the job.

“It’s a different place every week,” said Cromer.

“I love to travel,” said Culver, “and it’s good food everywhere we go.”

Cromer and Culver race all kinds of animals, from dogs to ducks, but by far they say pigs are the smartest animals they race. In fact, unless they dip into the dolphin racing circuit, they say pigs are some of the smartest animals in the world. Below elephants, monkeys, dolphins and octopi, pigs are generally ranked as one of the most aware and intelligent animals.

“People are surprised when they find out how smart the pigs are,” said Cromer. “It takes us months to train dogs and goats, but only a week to train a pig.”

But as smart as they are, the pigs can often be unpredictable. Several times during the races, Cromer had to join in the race, moving behind the slower racers and encouraging them along the track.

“When you’re working with animals, they can be unpredictable, said Culver. “You have to learn to improvise.”

Food and fun for all at Arlington’s annual celebration.

Celebrating Friendship

No one wanted to say goodbye to Leni Gonzalez after her years of leadership improving the quality of life for Latinos and immigrant families in Arlington. So Tuesday, Aug. 15, a “Celebrating Friendship” dinner was held at the Salsa Room on Columbia Pike to express the appreciation and gratitude of the people she has touched over the years.

Gonzalez is moving to El Salvador in a couple of weeks to join her husband who has emerged from retirement to begin a new career there. Above are Walter Tejada, former County Board chair who worked with Gonzalez on many projects over the years (left), Leni Gonzalez and Andres Tobar, executive director of Shirlington Employment and Education Center (SEEK) of which Gonzalez was recent chair of the board.

Videos flashed on the walls as El Mariachi Los Gallos Negros serenaded the friends of Leni Gonzalez during the Hispanic dinner of roasted chicken, rice, yuca and salad on Aug. 15 at the Salsa Room. “En mi Viejo San Juan and Volver, Volver, Volver.”
OPINION

Expand Medicaid Now

It’s too late to get back the $10 billion Virginia turned down, but not too late to gain coverage for 400,000 and boost the economy.

Virginia’s General Assembly has refused to accept one of the key provisions of the Affordable Care Act, expansion of Medicaid at almost no cost to Virginia that could have brought more than $10 billion into the state. It has also cost lives.

Ironically, the failed efforts to “repeal and replace” the Affordable Care Act included changes to Medicaid that would have penalized states, like Virginia, that did not expand Medicaid, permanently reducing federal funding.

“All in the bills proposed in the House and Senate to repeal the ACA, none of them left the non-expansion states better off,” said Gov. Terry McAuliffe on Monday, Aug. 21, in calling again for Virginia to expand Medicaid, all entirely paid for by the federal government.

“I have called for Virginia to expand Medicaid for three and a half years now. In that time, we have forever forfeited a whopping $10.4 billion of our federal tax dollars,” McAuliffe said. “We have missed an opportunity to cover 400,000 low-income Virginians.”

More than 140,000 residents of Fairfax County have no health insurance. More than 40,000 residents of Arlington and Alexandria have no health insurance. That’s more than 12 percent of the people who live in one of the wealthiest areas in the nation.

A Harvard Medical School study determined that the decision by 25 states to reject the expansion of Medicaid coverage under the Affordable Care Act would result in between 7,115 and 17,104 more deaths than had all states opted in. In Virginia, the number of deaths due to failure to expand Medicaid: between 266 and 987.

Refusing to accept federal funds to provide healthcare to uninsured Virginians makes no more sense than declining federal funds for transportation or education.

In Virginia, 102,000 uninsured people with a mental illness or substance use disorder could qualify for coverage if Medicaid were expanded under the Affordable Care Act.

As Virginia wrestles with heroin and opioid addiction, expanding Medicaid would allow for expanding treatment programs. One of the biggest obstacles to helping people who are fighting addiction is the availability of treatment when it is most needed. More people die of opioid overdoses in Virginia than in vehicle crashes.

It is beyond cruel that an ideologically driven General Assembly can turn away health care for so many. It’s beyond understanding why the General Assembly would turn down billions of dollars in direct health care dollars, plus the tremendous boost to the economy and jobs that federal investment would generate.

— MARY KIMM
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Governor’s Perspective

Remarks by Gov. Terry McAuliffe to General Assembly money committees Aug. 21, 2017

I have called for Virginia to expand Medicaid for three and a half years now. In that time, we have forever forfeited a whopping $10.4 billion of our federal tax dollars.

We have missed an opportunity to cover 400,000 low-income Virginians. Thirty-one states from across the political spectrum have expanded Medicaid. This isn’t a political issue. These are people’s lives.

I believe in the radical notion that health care shouldn’t be a privilege for the rich. And in the wealthiest nation in the world, one medical event shouldn’t send a family into financial ruin.

Just a few weeks ago, I went to the Remote Area Medical Clinic in Wise for the fourth time as governor. I want to thank Dr. O’Bannon for providing his services at the clinic.

There, you will see the stark reality of what it means to lack access to affordable health care. People were waiting in the animal pens, separated by bed sheet “curtains” to get the only medical care they’d have this year. Many of them slept overnight in the parking lot just to get a spot in line.

I met a woman who pulled me aside to tell me that the clinic literally saved her life by catching her cancer in time. Another man had been driving for a year without proper eyeglasses. Yet another told me that, at 39 years old, he visited the dentist for the first time ever that day. Sadly, he was too late, and needed all of his teeth pulled.

These folks should get the exact same level of care that you or I do.

That’s why I will be including Medicaid expansion once again in my biennial budget proposal this year.

And even if you don’t believe that the ACA is here for good, let me also remind you that in all of the bills proposed in the House and Senate to repeal the ACA, none of them left the non-expansion states better off. In fact, in one of the proposals, non-expansion states would cover costs for the expansion states for the next five years.

So, I ask you this: Are you willing to let Virginia be block granted or capped at our current Medicaid levels?

Are you willing to risk losing out on expansion dollars forever? And are you willing to hamper our state finances by turning away these federal dollars, given the uncertainty we face?

I ask you these questions in earnest, and I hope we can find a workable solution together.

I have formally invited General Assembly leadership to meet with my team to start this process as soon as possible so that, perhaps, consensus can be reached in the budget development process.

I welcome your input and I remind you that I have consistently supported a business-like approach that allows us to bring this money back at no cost to Virginia. If you pursue expansion the way I’ve presented it to you, it could save the state hundreds of millions of dollars.

Further, it could protect us from the potential negative financial impacts of future federal caps on the Medicaid program.

It’s not too late. There’s still more than $2 billion a year on the table that we can benefit from, and I hope we can agree on an approach to do the right thing.

Arlington United Against Racism and Bigotry

A statement from the Arlington County Board:

The tragedy that unfolded in Charlottesville, where three people lost their lives, has shaken the conscience of our community and of our nation. The Arlington County Board condemns the act of domestic terrorism that cost Heather Heyer her life, and mourns her death and the deaths of the two Virginia State Police troopers, H. Jay Cullen and Berke M.M. Bates, who died in the line of duty. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families, and with the many who were injured that day.

Arlington rejects the hateful speech and actions of the KKK, white supremacists, neo-Nazis and the alt-right movement. As many yard signs across Arlington proclaim: “hate has no home here.”

It is appropriate, in the wake of the Charlotteottesville events, that our community and many others are reconsidering the public memorialization of Confederate leaders. This Board has received numerous letters from concerned residents pleading that these leaders of rebellion against the Union not be publicly memorialized – particularly noting Jefferson Davis Highway, Lee Highway and Washington-
ENTERTAINMENT

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DEADLINE AUG. 27
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THROUGH AUG. 31
Animal Welfare Benefit, 7 a.m.-7 p.m. at an Arlington Fire Station.

FRIDAY/AUG. 25
Mary Poppins.
SATURDAY/AUG. 26
Arlington Police Block Party
9 a.m.-4 p.m. at Kenmore Middle School, 200 S. Carlin Springs Road.
The event includes various family friendly activities such as the ACPD Kids Zone, KV Demonstrations, food and beverages. Visit www.facebook.com/ArlingtonCountyPolice/.

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THURSDAY/AUG. 31
Conversation with a Cop

SUNDAY/SEPT. 3
Blessing of the Backpacks.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 9
2017 Bluemont Arlington Run.

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Lee High School.

Because we are a county, Arlington currently does not have the authority to rename state highways such as Jefferson Davis Highway and Lee Highway. We do have the authority to name local roads, and we exercised it in 2012 to rename Old Jefferson Davis Highway as Long Bridge Drive.

Arlington is committed to seeking the authority from the General Assembly to rename both Jefferson Davis and Lee highways within our borders. Our legislative delegation is committed to putting legislation forward on Jefferson Davis Highway. Arlington believes that local governments should have the authority to name any roadways within our borders.

Because it is a city, neighboring Alexandria controls all roadways within its borders. The City Council voted in September 2016 to rename its stretch of Jefferson Davis Highway, and graciously included two Arlington residents in the advisory panel it formed to seek suggestions from the public for a new name. That panel will make a recommendation this fall, and the Alexandria City Council will act.

We expect that the name Alexandria selects will be suitable for our section of Jefferson Davis Highway as well. Anyone in Arlington who wants to suggest a new name for Jefferson Davis Highway can do so on the City of Alexandria’s website (www.alexandriavia.gov/news_display.aspx?id=99021) through Sept. 25.

While we are not aware of any Confederate statues on county-owned land in Arlington, we support Governor McAuliffe’s recent proposal that all Virginia localities relocate statues on county-owned land in Arlington falls under the authority of the School Board. We know that the School Board will be speaking to this issue in the near future.

Although this is a painful time for us all, ultimately, Arlington’s story is an inspiring one of racial and social progress, of moving forward and overcoming the deep wounds inflicted by slavery, the Civil War, Jim Crow and the legacy of segregation. Our past can never be erased, but we can and will continue to learn from it.

Arlington today is a vibrant, diverse and inclusive community that treats each individual with respect and champions human and civil rights.

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Arlington County Board Chair, on behalf of the County Board
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Gravelly Point Perspective

By Logan Botts
The Connection

Located just along the George Washington Memorial Highway, lies a local gem. Gravelly Point is a destination for cyclists, picnickers, sightseers and boaters. Adjacent to Reagan National’s north runway, Gravelly Point is a great place to watch airplanes and enjoy a day in the sun.

Gravelly Point was the location of the Abingdon estate, which was at one point the residence of John Parke Custis and his daughter Nelly, the stepson and granddaughter of George Washington. The home itself was destroyed by fire in the 1930s, though the stabilized remains have been preserved and commemorated. Today’s visitors can enjoy the same views and landscapes that made the land along the Potomac River such coveted real estate for members of the Washington family.

The Gray family from Waldorf, Md. brought their grandson to Gravelly Point because he loves to see the airplanes and Gravelly Point’s location at the end of the runway is the perfect place to watch them go by. A mother daughter duo from Maryland was in the shade watching them go by. A mother daughter duo from Maryland was in the shade watching them fly by overhead. The two recommend Gravelly Point to other families looking to have a great time in the outdoors.

If planning to visit Gravelly Point be sure to pack sunscreen and bug spray, chairs and/or a picnic blanket, Frisbee, kite, bike, ball, and snacks and food. Gravelly Point is a public park within the National Park Service. It offers free parking, trail access and is open from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily.

What’s Ahead

Two County Board members outline upcoming political issues for Arlington.

By Vernon Miles
The Connection

Things are changing in Arlington. Demand is growing on the schools and Metro in excess of funding levels. Populations continue to rise throughout the county. Two County Board members, a Democrat and an Independent, outlined what they see as the top political issues for the Arlington County.

Libby Garvey was elected to the County Board in 2012 after 15 years on the School Board. She was chair of the board in 2016.

Some of the upcoming issues from her perspective include:

❖ Pace of Development: The pace of development and its effect on traffic, parks and green space, tree canopy, etc.
❖ Schools: The need for more school facilities for the burgeoning school population — where to locate them, how to pay for them, their effect on traffic, green space etc.
❖ Confederate Icons: The naming issues that have become clear after the terrible events in Charlottesville. Does the county keep or change the names of roads named after Confederate leaders (especially Lee Highway and Jefferson Davis Highway), or of Washington-Lee High School, and how to handle other monuments in the county? If names are changed, what would they be changed to?
❖ County Board member John Vihstadt, an Independent, was elected to the County Board in 2014. Before that, Vihstadt had served on Arlington’s Planning Commission, Housing Commission, and Advisory Commission on Aging. Vihstadt says the county struggles with finite resources and a limited availability of land, all of which factor into the challenges the county will face over the next few years.

Some of the upcoming issues from his perspective include:

❖ Schools: Meeting schools’ capacity challenges and the educational needs of children. Need to bring schools construction costs under control while still providing more seats for more students. Need greater future collaboration with School Board counterparts towards these key goals.
❖ Transit: Shoring up the troubled Metro system through a combination of administrative, managerial, enhanced oversight and employee productivity reforms, along with a new, permanent, dedicated funding stream provided by all participating jurisdictions. Metro is Arlington’s circulatory system, and its economy and environment depends on safe, reliable and sustainable public transit.
❖ Managing Growth: Shaping and managing growth in an era of rising population and increased demand for both programmed and non-programmed green space, parks and fields. It is time to act on a key recommendation of the 2015 Community Facilities Study: require a cost-benefit analysis for every new site plan project, whether commercial or residential. The county should also launch a conversation about how to enhance and diversify its community benefits process to better provide for the schools, community centers, and other public facilities.
You can find everything from the Salvadoran grocery store carry-out with outside tables at La Union Grocery to the sophisticated Balkan Cuisine with a modern twist at Ambar. Arlington neighborhoods offer authentic cuisines often prepared by natives from the countries. This is a small selection of the many choices available.

Elba Pozo grills chicken for the New Zealand sandwich with apricots, brie, and mango chutney. Cassatt’s features a different New Zealand specialty every night Monday-Thursday. Tonight it is New England Leg of Lamb roasted with thyme and mint jelly. Every Saturday night you can find live jazz, blues or bebop from 7-9 p.m. Local art is displayed on the walls.

Queen Amannisa at 320 23rd Street S in Crystal City was the first Uyghur restaurant to open in the metropolitan area. It specializes in several different versions of Lagman, with chopped, braised or minced lamb or chicken and combinations of peppers and other vegetables. Lagman is served with fresh hand-pulled noodles. The skill of the chef is measured in the length of the noodle that is created as the base of the dish. Owner Yimamu Maimaiti says Uyghur food represents a crossroads of Central Asia.

A customer at Delhi Club helps himself to chicken tandoori at the Indian buffet available every day from 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Delhi Club is located just across from the metro on the corner of Clarendon and Highland Streets.

Noon customers crowd around the small meat case at La Union Grocery at 4308 Lee Hwy. as Walter Bamaca fills up a white styrofoam container with pupusas and corn relish, tamales or quesadillas. Picnic tables outside the grocery are available. La Union also has a full restaurant at 5517 Wilson Blvd.

The pizza case is full as Clare McInerney dishes up a large slice of mushroom with other hot pizza alternatives available from the back kitchen. A new and larger The Italian Store is also located at 5837 Washington Blvd.
Do you like history? Do you like local history? The Arlington Historical Society (AHS) was founded in 1956 to preserve and promote the history of Arlington County. Since 1963 the AHS has operated the Arlington Historical Museum in the Hume School at 1805 South Arlington Ridge Road. The Hume School is itself a historic building. Built in 1891, it operated as a school until 1958. The museum is open from 1-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday and from 12:30-3:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

So, what would you see if you came to the AHS museum? Running through Nov. 11, 2018 we feature an exhibit on the First World War. We also have an exhibit on the Union forts that filled the county during the Civil War. There is even a cannon ball a local resident found while planting a bush in her yard.

Local businesses are also represented in the collection. If you came over the Key Bridge into Rosslyn in the 1940s and 1950s you'd find a number of pawnshops. The museum has the trefoil pawn sign (three large gold balls) that hung over the National Pawn Shop for decades. If you wanted to get something to drink after visiting the pawn shop you might want to have a Cherry Smash, made for years in the old Arlington Brewery by John Fowler.

One of Mr. Fowler’s grandsons gave the AHS some rare Cherry Smash items and his generous gift sparked one of our most colorful and popular displays. We also have relics from businesses that existed in Rosslyn in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, including gold mining.

There are also displays on local African-American History, the Little Tea House, the Pentagon on 9/11, and more. Please come visit and check us online at our website www.arlingtonhistoricalsociety.org/ or on Facebook.

Of course this area was inhabited before the Europeans arrived. Numerous Native American villages sat along the Potomac and their inhabitants left behind their own artifacts. The museum displays some of the items found by archeologists in the county, including a stone ax head found on a local golf course.

Speaking of archeologists, did you know the AHS sponsored an archeology dig at its second property, the Ball-Sellers House? Built in the 1740s by John Ball and his family (he had a wife and five daughters) it’s the oldest surviving building in the county. It’s open from 1-4 p.m. on Saturday afternoons from April into September.

Check the AHS website for more information: www.arlingtonhistoricalsociety.org/

Join Arlington Historical Society.

By Mark Benbow
Arlington Historical Society

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**Parks**

### A Sampling of Arlington Parks

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Officers Tania Velez (left), Charlie Neal (middle), and Barry Foust (right) show off motorcycle skills at the 2016 Block Party.

The Park Police helicopter was one of the most popular attractions at the 2016 Block Party.

August 2017

FRIDAY/AUG. 25
Mary Popepins. 6-11 p.m. at Gateway Park, 1300 Lee Highway. Part of the Roslyn Cinema + Pub in the Park movie series, featuring a movie and food from one of the food trucks on site. Visit www.marypopepins.com or gateway-park.

SATURDAY/AUG. 26
Arlington Police Block Party. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at Kenmore Middle School, 200 S. Carlin Springs Road. The event includes various family friendly activities such as the ACPD Kids Zone, KV Demonstrations, food and beverages. Visit www.facebook.com/ArlingtonCountyPolice.

SUNDAY/AUG. 27
Self Defense Series. 1-3 p.m. at Pentagon MMA, 1041 South Edgewood Rd. Participants will learn self-defense techniques and strategies taken from martial arts, such as Muay Thai, Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, Jeet Kune Do, and Filipino Martial Art. Register for all four sessions, or for individual sessions. Visit www.peggymma.com.

Speed The Magician. 6 p.m. at Lubber Run Amphitheater, 200 N. Columbus St. “A High Energy Magician and Illusionist” known for his hyperactive, fast-paced, performance style. Call 703-228-4712.

TUESDAY/AUG. 29
Fall Vegetable Gardening. 7-8:30 p.m. at Fairfax Community Center, 3308 S. Stafford St. Learn inexpensive techniques to extend the harvest and even enjoy some of the crops in the dead of winter. Visit mpu.org or call 703-228-6414.

Free Singing Lessons. 7-8:15 p.m. at Gunston Middle School, Room 148, 2700 S. Lang St. Lessons provided by “The Arlingtons,” a Close Harmony Chorus teach a barbershop quartet style. Every Tuesday evening through Oct. 17. Email TeamTomballTones734@cox.net, or mmarx37@asl.com, or call 239-940-5876.

THURSDAY/AUG. 31
Conversation with a Cop. 6-7 p.m. at Don Tito, 3165 Wilson Blvd. An opportunity for those who frequent the Clarendon area to get to know the officers regularly assigned to the weekend Clarendon area. Visit police.arlingtonva.us.

September 2017

SUNDAY/SEPT. 3
Blessing of the Backpacks. 10 a.m. at St. Mary’s Episcopal Church, 2609 N. Glebe Road. Students can bring in their empty backpack to the 10 a.m. service. Email: office@stmaryarlington.org.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 9
2017 Bosslyn Jazz Fest. 1-7 p.m. at Gateway Park, 1300 Lee Highway. A variety of jazz bands, presented by the Bosslyn Business Improvement District (BID) and Arlington Arts. Free. Visit www.mysaynova.org/jazzfest.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 16
BBQ, Boots and Bingo. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at The Columbus Club of Arlington, 5115 Little Falls Road. Food, entertainment, games, moon bounces, a fire truck, face painting and bingo. Call 703-558-0635.

MONDAY/SEPTEMBER 18
Poetry Mixer. 7-8 p.m. at Shirlington Library, 4200 Campbell Ave. Informal group of local poetry writers write and read original poetry, and exchange constructive criticism. Meets every third Monday except holidays. Call 703-228-6545.

October 2017

MONDAY/OCT. 2

TUESDAY/OCT. 10
Meet the Author. 7 p.m. at One More Page Books, 2200 N. Westmoreland St., #103. NPR books commentator Nancy Pearl will discuss her debut novel “George & Lulu.” Visit www.onemorepagebooks.com.

FRIDAY/SUNDAY/OCT. 14-16
US FreedomWalk Festival. 3-6 p.m. on Friday, 7 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday, 7 a.m.-4 p.m. at 1900 N. Fort Myer Drive. The FreedomWalk Festival is a three-day long social walking challenge meant to bring together people of different backgrounds. Different trails are offered each day at a variety of distances from 3-27 miles starting at the Halo Inn. Cost vary. Visit www.usfreedomwalk.org.

SATURDAY/OCT. 15
Fall Heritage Festival. 1-5 p.m. at Gulf Branch Nature Center, 3608 Military Road. Step back into history and try your hand at some old-time games and crafts, make a corn husk doll, try on a cow-skin cap, or work the cider press. Write with a quill pen or churn butter and enjoy old-time music. Tickets are $5. Visit parks.arlingtonva.us.

SATURDAY/OCT. 22
VolunteerFest. A region-wide day of community service helps nonprofits accomplish tasks they would not have time or resources to do on their own. Visit www.volunteerfairfax.org/volunteerfest.php.

FRIDAY/SUNDAY/OCT. 23-25
Marlne Corps Marathon Weekend. Events like the Health & Fitness Expo, First Timers Pep Rally, Runners BBQ, NHCx, and more, lead up to the main event – The 40th Annual Marine Corps Marathon – on Sunday at 7:55 a.m. and the MCM Finish Festival. Visit www.marinesports.com.

SATURDAY/OCT. 23

WEDNESDAY-MONDAY/OCT. 25-30
Washington West Film Festival. Screening events in Reston, Arlington and other local areas. Schedule to be released Sept. 25 and tickets will go on sale to the public on Sept. 28. Visit www.westfilmfest.com.

SATURDAY/OCT. 29
Dia de Muertos / Day of the Dead. 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Long Branch Nature Center at Gleencarlyn Park, 625 S. Carlin Springs Road. Make Calaveras, the decorative sugar skull masks, enjoy holiday snacks, and see some night animals up close. Then, go on a night hike through the candlelit forest. Tickets are $5. Visit parks.arlingtonva.us.

Annual Halloween Party. 5:30-8:30 p.m. at Potomac Overlook Regional Park, 2845 Macary Road. Snacks, games, arts and crafts, storytelling, guided hikes through the woods, and the Haunted Nature Center makes up the yearly party. Cost is $15 per participant for the party, $20 per participant includes the Haunted Nature Center experience. Children 3 and under are free. Free. Visit www.novaparks.com.

November 2016

NOV. 4-DEC. 18

SATURDAY/NOV. 12
Toast to Hope. 6:30-9:30 p.m. at ULLA Gallery, 4444 Arlington Blvd. Toast to Hope is SCAN’s signature fall giving event and offers wine and beer tastings, food samplings, plus a Silent/Live Auction. Tickets prices yet to be announced. Visit www.scanva.org.

December 2016

SATURDAY/DEC. 3
Jingle Bell Run/Walk. Registration begins at 6:45 a.m., events begin at 8 a.m. race starts at 8:50 a.m. at Penington Row, 1101 S. Joyce St. This run/walk features a “Jingle in Your Jammes” and a “Children’s Fun Run” as well as races for adults. Registration is $15-40. Visit www.arthritis.org.

SATURDAY/DEC. 10
Great Chocolate Race. 7:30 a.m. at N. Kent Street and Wilson Boulevard. Take a 5-mile trip around the capital, Arlington National Cemetery, and other monuments. Registration is $5. Visit www.cruiselaeracing.com/chocolatearlington.

March 2018

SECOND TUESDAY IN MARCH

April 2018

APRIL-JUNE
Relay for Life. Raise funds for cancer research by attending all-night-long events sponsored by the American Cancer Society. Visit www.relayforlife.org for specific details.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/APRIL 22-23
Arlington Festival of the Arts. 10 a.m. s.p.m. at 3003 Washington Blvd. Artists from all over the country will showcase paintings, jewelry, www.ConnectionNewspapers.com.
### June 2018
**MONDAYS, JUNE-AUGUST**
Crystal Screen, 1851 S. Bell St. Each year a different theme is chosen for this outdoor film festival beginning at sunset each Monday. Visit www.crystalcity.org.

**SUNDAY/JUNE 25**
Pops for Pets, 6 p.m. at Lubber Run Amphitheater, 200 N. Columbia St. The Arlington Philharmonic will collaborate with the Animal Welfare League of Arlington (AWLA) to present the fourth annual Pops for Pets, an informal outdoor benefit concert. Free. Visit www.arlingtonphilharmonic.org.

### August 2018
**WEDNESDAY/SUNDAY/AUG. 15-19**

### Demographics by Zip Code

#### From U.S. Census data

**Zip code:** 22201  
**Population:** 34,427  
**Race:** White-27,095 (78.7%), Black/African American-1,448 (4.2%), American Indian and Alaska Native-89 (0.3%), Asian-3,574 (10.4%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-3,654 (10.6%)  
**Total housing units:** 19,597  
**Owner-occupied housing units:** 6,407 (32.7%)  
**Households with individuals under 18 years:** 2,212 (13.1%)  
**Households with individuals 65 years and over:** 1,324 (7.8%)  
**Median household income:** $117,332  
**Mean family income:** $206,905  
**Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home:** 22.6%  

**Zip code:** 22202  
**Population:** 22,543  
**Race:** White-16,672 (74.8%), Black/African American-1,777 (7.7%), American Indian and Alaska Native-83 (0.4%), Asian-2,698 (12.0%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-1,823 (8.1%)  
**Total housing units:** 14,505  
**Owner-occupied housing units:** 3,005 (22.9%)  
**Households with individuals under 18 years:** 1,137 (8.7%)  
**Households with individuals 65 years and over:** 1,774 (13.5%)  
**Median household income:** $109,006  
**Mean family income:** $170,684  
**Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home:** 24.4%  

**Zip code:** 22203  
**Population:** 21,850  
**Race:** White-15,552 (71.2%), Black/African American-1,321 (6.0%), American Indian and Alaska Native-256 (1.2%), Asian-2,247 (10.3%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-3,839 (17.6%)  
**Total housing units:** 11,272  
**Owner-occupied housing units:** 3,859 (34.3%)  
**Households with individuals under 18 years:** 1,554 (13.8%)  
**Households with individuals 65 years and over:** 1,937 (17.2%)  
**Median household income:** $100,874  
**Mean family income:** $160,906  
**Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home:** 26.6%  

**Zip code:** 22204  
**Population:** 47,233  
**Race:** White-24,650 (52.2%), Black/African American-7,920 (16.8%), American Indian and Alaska Native-322 (0.7%), Asian-5,407 (11.4%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-14,433 (30.6%)  
**Total housing units:** 21,637  
**Owner-occupied housing units:** 8,205 (41.5%)  
**Households with individuals under 18 years:** 5,272 (26.7%)  
**Households with individuals 65 years and over:** 2,794 (14.1%)  
**Median household income:** $75,135  
**Mean family income:** $99,944  
**Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home:** 49.4%  

**Zip code:** 22205  
**Population:** 18,875  
**Race:** White-15,416 (81.7%), Black/African American-484 (2.6%), American Indian and Alaska Native-2 (0.0%), Asian-1,452 (7.7%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-1,684 (8.9%)  
**Total housing units:** 6,922  
**Owner-occupied housing units:** 5,074 (70.4%)  
**Households with individuals under 18 years:** 2,554 (36.9%)  
**Households with individuals 65 years and over:** 1,239 (17.9%)  
**Median household income:** $149,703  
**Mean family income:** $196,055  
**Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home:** 19.3%  

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### Households with individuals under 18 years

- **Arlington County Fair:** 2018
- **Taste of Arlington:** 2018
- **Historic Garden Week:** April
- **Senior Olympics:** 2016

### Senior Olympics
Karen Alderman performs a front dive as one of the five required dives of her choice at the 2016 Senior Olympics on the one-meter springboard at Yorktown Aquatic Center.

### May 2018
**SAVINGS/MAY 21**
Taste of Arlington, 12-6 p.m. at Downtown Ballston. This annual event turns the Ballston area into a street festival featuring Arlington’s restaurants and live music. Ticket prices vary. Visit www.ballstonbd.com.

### Newcomers & Community Guide
**How To Vote**

Every year is election year in Virginia; mechanics and details of voting require attention to detail.

### Law Enforcement

**The difference between Arlington’s Police Department and Sheriff’s Office.**

By Vernon Miles

The Connection

Some counties have Sheriff’s Offices. Some cities have Police Departments. Arlington has both, and for newcomers to Arlington, the differences between the two can be confusing. While both have the ability to enforce laws, and Sheriff’s Deputies can act as secondary law enforcement, the two branches of Arlington’s law enforcement have distinct roles.

The Arlington Police Department carries out the criminal processes of Arlington’s law enforcement. Arlington Police run patrols, investigates crimes, and make arrests. Once the accused is taken to the jail, then it becomes a job for the Sheriff’s Office.

According to Major Bruce Black from the Arlington Sheriff’s Office, the role of Arlington’s Sheriff’s Office is to oversee the jail and courthouse and to enforce civil processes, like serving eviction notices or protective orders.

In recent years, Black says the mission of the Sheriff’s Office has undergone some changes. Black said there’s a common misconception that after someone is convicted, they are locked up and the key gets thrown away. Black calls this the "Mayberry Syndrome." But he says those days are over, and studies into high recidivism rates have forced Sheriff’s Offices to recognize their responsibility to enact programs to help reform inmates.

In Arlington, Black says this has manifested into programs like a kitchen school where inmates can finish their sentence where they can learn a craft or trade.

Another difference between the two organizations is that the Chief of Police is appointed by the County Board while the Sheriff is an elected, constitutional office.

### Virginia Voter ID

Virginia has voter identification requirements, plan to bring photo identification with you to vote, whether that is absentee or on Election Day.

Among accepted ID: valid Virginia Driver’s License or Identification Card; valid Virginia DMV issued Veteran’s ID card; valid U.S. Passport; other government-issued photo identification cards issued by the U.S. Government, the Commonwealth of Virginia, or a political subdivision of the Commonwealth; valid college or university student photo identification card from an institution of higher education located in Virginia; valid student ID issued by a public school or private school in Virginia displaying a photograph; employee identification card containing a photograph of the voter and issued by an employer of the voter in the ordinary course of the employer’s business.

Any registered voter who does not have one of the required forms of identification can apply for a free Virginia Voter Photo Identification from any general registrar’s office in the Commonwealth. Voters applying for the Virginia Voter Photo ID complete the Virginia Voter Photo Identification Card Application, have their picture taken, and sign the digital signature pad. Once the application is processed, the card will be mailed directly to the voter.

A voter who does not bring an acceptable photo ID to the polls will be offered a provisional ballot.

### Provisional Ballot Process for Voters Who Arrive Without Identification

If you arrive at your polling place on Election Day without an acceptable form of photo identification, don’t panic or give up. You will be given the opportunity to vote a provisional ballot. After completing the provisional ballot, the individual voting will be given written instructions from the election officials on how to submit a copy of his/her identification so that his/her vote can be counted.

A voter will have until noon on the Friday following the election to deliver a copy of the identification to the local electoral board or to appear in person to apply for a Virginia Voter Photo ID Card. Voters may submit a copy of their ID via fax, email, in-person submission, or through USPS or commercial delivery service. Note that the copy of the ID must be delivered to the electoral board by noon on Friday, or the provisional ballot cannot be counted.

Also by noon on Friday following the election, the voter may appear in person in the office of the general registrar, in the locality in which the provisional ballot was cast, and apply for a Virginia Voter Photo ID Card. At the completion of the application process, the voter may request a Temporary Identification Document. This document may be provided to the electoral board to suffice the identification requirement.

### Demographics by Zip Code

*Source: American Community Survey 2014*

**Zip code:** 22206

- **Population:** 19,051
- **Race:** White: 13,346 (70.1%), Black/African American: 2,459 (12.9%), American Indian and Alaska Native: 61 (0.3%), Asian: 1,294 (6.8%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race): 750 (3.9%)
- **Total housing units:** 11,166
- **Owner-occupied housing units:** 4,586 (45.8%)
- **Households with individuals under 18 years:** 7,730 (73.7%)
- **Households with individuals 65 years and over:** 927 (9.2%)
- **Median household income:** $95,023
- **Mean family income:** $125,954
- **Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home:** 22.9%

**Zip code:** 22207

- **Population:** 33,751
- **Race:** White: 22,831 (82.9%), Black/African American: 1,029 (3.1%), American Indian and Alaska Native: 230 (0.7%), Asian: 1,877 (5.6%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race): 1,325 (9.9%)
- **Total housing units:** 11,997
- **Owner-occupied housing units:** 9,160 (76.4%)
- **Households with individuals under 18 years:** 4,047 (35.8%)
- **Households with individuals 65 years and over:** 2,637 (22.1%)
- **Median household income:** $167,594
- **Mean family income:** $255,264
- **Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home:** 15.3%

**Zip code:** 22213

- **Population:** 3,470
- **Race:** White: 2,915 (84%), Black/African American: 342 (10%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race): 134 (4.2%)
- **Total housing units:** 1,437
- **Owner-occupied housing units:** 1,022 (74.2%)
- **Households with individuals under 18 years:** 444 (32.3%)
- **Households with individuals 65 years and over:** 114 (8.7%)
- **Median household income:** $151,477
- **Mean family income:** $217,299
- **Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home:** 23.8%

**Zip code:** 22209

- **Population:** 11,351
- **Race:** White: 8,247 (71.4%), Black/African American: 646 (5.6%), American Indian and Alaska Native: 17 (0.1%), Asian: 2,183 (18.9%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race): 1,393 (12.1%)
- **Total housing units:** 8,075
- **Owner-occupied housing units:** 1,981 (24.5%)
- **Households with individuals under 18 years:** 4,975 (7.7%)
- **Households with individuals 65 years and over:** 586 (9.1%)
- **Median household income:** $94,742
- **Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home:** 33.6%

**Zip code:** 33,751

- **Population:** 33,751
- **Race:** White: 22,831 (67.3%), Black/African American: 1,029 (3.1%), American Indian and Alaska Native: 230 (0.7%), Asian: 1,877 (5.6%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race): 1,325 (9.9%)
- **Total housing units:** 11,997
- **Owner-occupied housing units:** 9,160 (76.4%)
- **Households with individuals under 18 years:** 4,047 (35.8%)
- **Households with individuals 65 years and over:** 2,637 (22.1%)
- **Median household income:** $167,594
- **Mean family income:** $255,264
- **Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home:** 15.3%
N o policy has officially been established yet, no final decisions have been made, but the writing is on the wall for Washington-Lee High School. One week ago, a series of violent clashes in Charlottesville over a statue of Robert E. Lee ended with an alleged white supremacist driving his car into a protest and killing 32-year-old Heather Heyer. Across the south, localities have been reexamining the role of the confederacy in local icons and names. At a School Board meeting on Aug. 17, School Board chair Barbara Kanninen announced that the board will be developing a naming guidelines system to reevaluate the names of all current and future schools. While Washington-Lee High School was not named specifically, it was clear speakers on both sides of the issue where the policy was targeted.

“All of us are extremely concerned and saddened by the violence that took place last weekend in Charlottesville,” said Kanninen. “This has been a tragedy for our community, our state, and our nation.”

Kanninen said the time had come to talk about the names of the schools and the messages they conveyed to the students in attendance. “No decisions have been made or will be made without extensive community input and discussion,” said Kanninen. “This process will take time, but we are getting started.”

“The feedback on the proposal started five minutes after it was announced with clear sides already established. The majority of the speakers supported renaming Washington-Lee. “The time has come to remove the name,” said Ryan Sims. “Lee was an avowed white supremacist who took up arms against the United States to preserve the institution of slavery. Veneration of confederate icons throughout the south ensured every citizen understood that racist state and local institutions remained committed to denying the basic rights of African Americans, often violently so. Lee remains a potent symbol of hate.”

For Mark Bealer from Indivisible Arlington, the name was antiquated and morally repugnant. “It is hypocritical and shameful moral equivalence of those who fought for slavery and those who fought for independence,” said Bealer.

Nick Roy, the father of three graduates from Arlington Public Schools, compared Lee and other symbols of the confederacy to the swastika. Roy, whose father is from India, said the symbol is a 5,000-year-old emblem of love and peace, but that as much as he might like it, he can’t use it in his home because of its horrible associations in the west. “Whatever we may attribute to Lee the man,” said Roy, “Lee the symbol has become associated with that same thing.”

But support for renaming the school was not universal. At the time of writing, a petition on getpetition.com to preserve the name Washington-Lee High School is 24 signatures shy of its 1,000 goal. “Washington-Lee has been part of the lives of Arlington school children since the 1920s and has been one of the top high schools in the country throughout its existence,” reads the petition. “To change the name of the school now is not reflective of the W-L spirit nor W-L pride. Our pride is in our school. And our school’s name was, is currently, and we hope will remain, Washington-Lee.”

At the School Board meeting, the discussion was book-ended with those supporting the current name. John Peck, an alumni, said the 92-year-history of the school cannot be separated from the name, pointing especially to a 1966 basketball championship with an integrated team.

Mila Albertson, a graduate of the class of 1966 and president of the alumni association, opposed the renaming. “The name Washington-Lee is exalted because of its graduates, not the men it’s named after,” said Albertson. “I’m being polite to those calling for renaming Washington-Lee when I say it is irrational. Do we change the name for Stratford because it was named after Lee’s birthday? Do we ban the Virginia state flag because it reminds us the commonwealth protected slave owners? Do we rename Virginia and all confederate states? Do we rename Richmond because it was the capital of the rebellion? President [Abraham] Lincoln called for reconciliation … Can we not follow his magnificent lead?”

School Board considers renaming Arlington schools.

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— School Board Chair Barbara Kanninen
Newcomers & Community Guide

High School Sports
Compiled by Ted Crawley

Yorktown High School
Mascot: Patriots
School Colors: Carolina blue
Athletic Director: N/A
Football Coach: Bruce Hanson
Girls’ Soccer Coach: Mariano Alonso
Boys’ Soccer Coach: Carlos Aranda
Girls’ Basketball Coach: Devaughn Drayton
Boys’ Basketball Coach: Joe Reed
Girls’ Lacrosse Coach: Crystal Fraser
Boys’ Lacrosse Coach: Greg Beer
Baseball Coach: John Skaggs
Softball Coach: Heather Surphin
Rival Schools: James Madison High School

What happened last year: The Girls’ soccer team had a sudden victory, over Madison HS (3-2) in the final district game to win the 6A Liberty Conference title.

Wakefield High School
Mascot: Warriors
School Colors: Green and White
Athletic Director: N/A
Football Coach: Wayne Hopwood
Girls’ Soccer Coach: O. Benkahallouk
Boys’ Soccer Coach: E. Carrausillo
Girls’ Basketball Coach: Marcia Richardson
Boys’ Basketball Coach: Tony Bentley
Girls’ Lacrosse Coach: TBA
Boys’ Lacrosse Coach: Keith Campbell
Baseball Coach: Mike Ruck
Softball Coach: Jonny Kelly

What happened last year: Wakefield’s football stadium received new lights to allow for Fall and Spring sport teams to have outdoor night games.

Washington & Lee High School
Mascot: Generals
School Colors: White and Navy Blue
Athletic Director: Carol Carraway
Football Coach: Josh Shapiro
Girls’ Soccer Coach: Eddy Matos
Boys’ Soccer Coach: Jimmy Carrausillo
Girls’ Basketball Coach: Angie Kelly
Boys’ Basketball Coach: Robert Dobson
Girls’ Lacrosse Coach: Jenni Macintosh
Boys’ Lacrosse Coach: Alex White
Baseball Coach: Doug Grove
Softball Coach: Leigh Winstead

Rival Schools: TC Williams

What happened last year: The Boys’ Soccer team won the 6A Liberty Conference championship. Benedict Draghi was also named to the Washington Post’s 1st team All-Met for Track and Field.

Bishop Denis J. O’Connell High School
Mascot: Knights
School Colors: Blue and Silver
Athletic Director: Joe Wooten
Football Coach: Colin Ditch
Girls’ Soccer Coach: Alberto Staraffe
Boys’ Soccer Coach: Chris Jennings
Girls’ Basketball Coach: Aggie McCormick-Dix
Boys’ Basketball Coach: Joe Wooten
Girls’ Lacrosse Coach: Sarah Burrow Bridge
Boys’ Lacrosse Coach: Kevin Gilhlin
Baseball Coach: Kyle Padgett
Softball Coach: Tommy Orndorff
Rival Schools: Paul VI, Bishop Ireton

What happened last year: The Knights won their 21st softball state championship in school history. They finished their season with a 23-5 record and defeated Norfolk Christian School 16-0 on May 20 to secure their 5th straight title. Head coach Tommy Orndorff coached his 24th straight 20-win season in his 31st year as head coach. O’Connell’s all-time softball state tournament record is 67-2.

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