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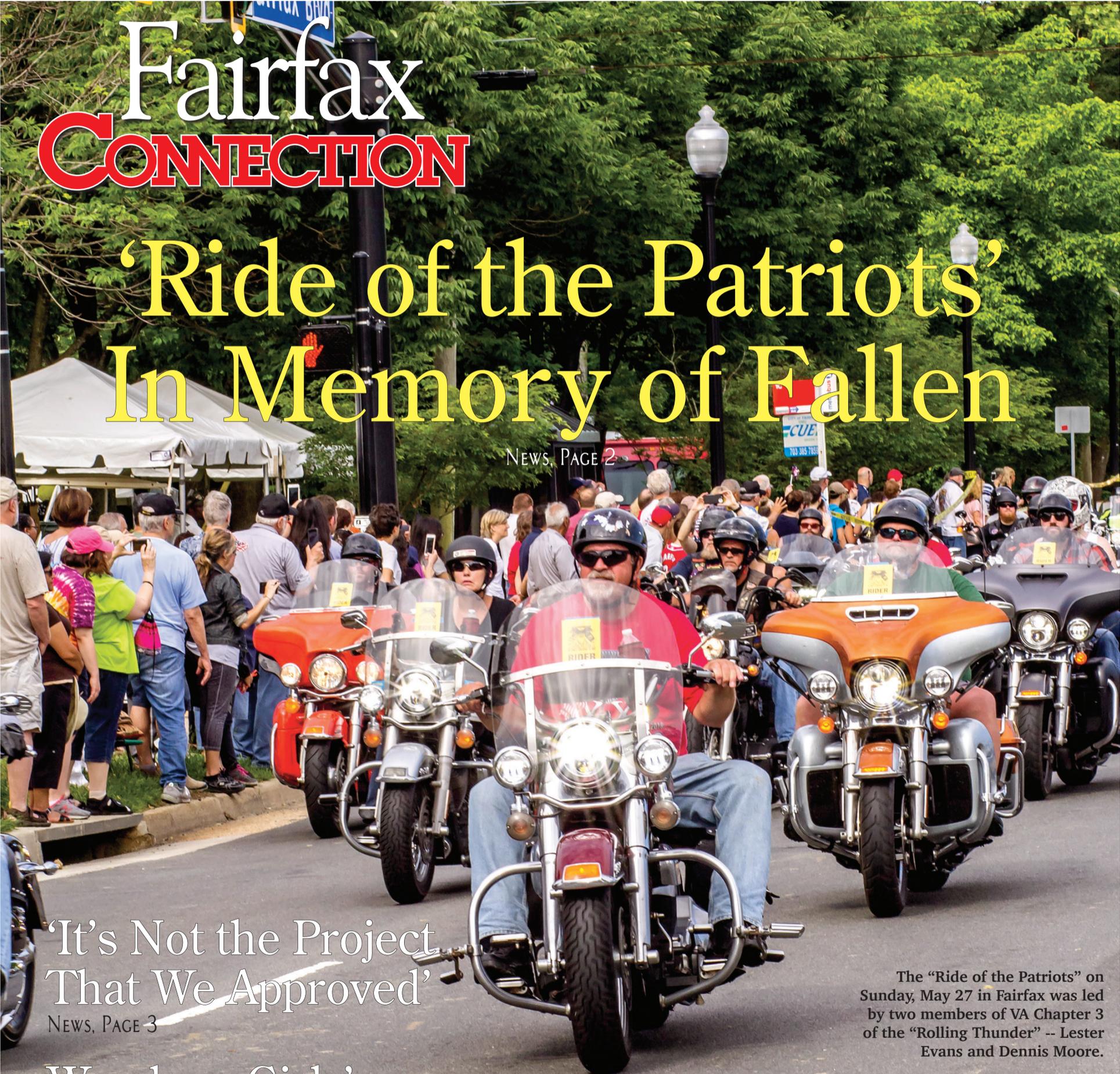
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The "Ride of the Patriots" on Sunday, May 27 in Fairfax was led by two members of VA Chapter 3 of the "Rolling Thunder" -- Lester Evans and Dennis Moore.

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The long trek of bikes rides over a mile traveling under a massive American flag at the starting line of the "Ride of the Patriots"



Photos by Sean Hickey/The Connection

"Ride of the Patriots" roars down Fairfax City.

## 'Ride of the Patriots' in Memory of Fallen

The 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the "Ride of the Patriots" paid tribute to American service members and veterans on Sunday, May 27. Fairfax Harley Owners Group (HOG) and Fairfax Patriot Harley Davidson hosted the "Ride of the Patriots" Memorial Day weekend ride in support of "Rolling Thunder" to raise awareness

of American POW and MIA soldiers and to pay tribute to the fallen. The ride started at Patriot Harley Davidson and later joined the 31<sup>st</sup> annual "Rolling Thunder." The line of roaring motorcycles was more than four bikes wide and a mile long. After the first bikes got to the Pentagon, the tail of the parade was still in Fairfax.

Don Withrow, Fairfax resident

and former HOG Director, helped put this event together 20 years ago from an idea he worked on with Fairfax Harley Davidson and the City of Fairfax. He said Fairfax has had the biggest group joining "Rolling Thunder" and every year it grows bigger, setting attendance and spectator records.

Bob Diehl, Director of the HOG of the Fairfax Patriot Harley

Davidson said on the first ride there were only 50 bikes. Today there are close to 5,000 riders from every U.S. military branch. The ride began with a send-off ceremony attended by first responders and speakers including Fairfax City Mayor David Meyer, Dr. E. Bruce Heilman, Chancellor of University of Richmond, and Nicholas John Albert Fairfax - 14<sup>th</sup> Lord

Fairfax of Cameron. Dr. Heilman, a WWII Marine Corps Veteran said that "only freedom is worth such a sacrifice." He mentioned "this event is a message earned at great cost, reminding us why we are here and to never forget the fallen." Riders said its their duty to ride and remember.

—Sean Hickey



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# 'It's Not the Project That We Approved'

## New developer revises former Novus mixed-use.

By Bonnie Hobbs  
The Connection

In February 2015, the Fairfax City Council approved Novus Fairfax Gateway LLC's proposal to transform part of the Kamp Washington triangle between Fairfax Boulevard and Lee Highway into a modern, community-serving, mixed-use project. But nothing was ever built.

Now, though, after three years, big changes are afoot. The project – loosely referred to as Fairfield – will eventually be renamed; and the new developer – FF Realty IV LLC – wants to alter what was originally approved.

That plan called for the 8.33-acre site to have 403 multifamily apartments – 24 of which would be affordable units, 29,000 square feet of first-floor retail and commercial uses – including a 4,000-square-foot office space for use by a nonprofit and a 5,000-square-foot restaurant – plus 11,000 square feet of residential amenities. And a seven-story parking garage was to feature an additional half-story on top for a pool.

The site is currently a car-storage lot for Ted Britt Ford. But when redeveloped, three- and four-story buildings will front on Lee Highway and Fairfax Boulevard. A five-story building will be centrally located.

There'll be a through street with a connection at the Bevan Drive signal at Fairfax Boulevard, plus a new, un-signalized entrance on Lee Highway. And the development's road network could correspond to the future redevelopment of the rest of the Kamp Washington triangle, while treating the section connecting Lee Highway to Fairfax Boulevard with several, traffic-calming elements to reduce cut-through traffic.

Retail frontage was to be on the Lee Highway side and along Route 50. The parking structure will be completely surrounded by residential buildings, and the urban streetscape is to have attractive facades on all sides. Trails will connect to adjacent properties, plus open space including a 5,600-square-foot contemplative space next to the Jermantown Cemetery. Overall construction is expected to take some two years to complete.

**FAST FORWARD** to 2018, and the project's new developer appeared before City Council, during an April 10 work session, to present details of the revised proposal. The City's senior planner, Kelly O'Brien, said it's already gone to the Board of Architectural Review and the Planning Commission.

The hoped-for changes include removal of a building, reduction of the commercial square footage, relocation of residential units, relocation of the pool and other changes to amenities. And they'd require

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Jeff Greenfield

**The revised Fairfield (formerly Novus Fairfax Gateway) site plan.**



the City to approve proffer and general development plan amendments, special-use permits and special exceptions.

The new proposal retains the same number of apartments, but cuts the amount of commercial space by nearly 10,000 square feet to 19,136 square feet – which includes the 4,000-square-foot office space for a nonprofit. The restaurant is now envisioned as 11,000 square feet, with just 4,136 square feet of ground-floor retail.

The parking garage is shortened from 7-1/2 stories to six stories, with the pool relocated from its rooftop to ground level behind a residential building. A two-story, commercial and residential building is deleted and replaced with a park, and the pedestrian bridges linking three other buildings are removed.

Commercial uses along Lee Highway are replaced with residential units from the deleted building, and both the landscaping and streetscape plans are revised. Retail is no longer planned for a building along Lee Highway and will now only be in a four-story building along Fairfax Boulevard.

Parking has been reduced from 994 spaces to 735 total – 685 in the parking garage and 50 on-street spaces throughout the site. And a dog park has been added south of the building nearest the pool.

"We look forward to breaking ground in the first quarter of 2019," Andrew McGeorge, Fairfax Residential's vice president, development, told City Council. "We need to make these modifications to make this project economically viable."

Councilman Michael DeMarco asked if the developer has the option of converting some of the amenity space to retail/office uses, and attorney Sara Mariska, representing the developer, replied affirmatively.

Councilwoman Jennifer Passey wasn't happy that the revised proposal contains less retail space. And when questioned about the reduction, McGeorge said,

"There's already a tremendous amount of retail within walking distance of the project today, and we want to have occupied retail."

Councilwoman Ellie Schmidt asked what type of retail is envisioned for the project, and McGeorge said, "A fast-casual restaurant and boutique fitness, but we're open-minded and will work with our retail experts on this."

Fairfield Residential's development manager, Bryan Condie, added that they can divide up the 15,000 square feet of retail space any way they want. So, for example, the restaurant can be smaller than the 11,000 square feet currently planned for it.

Schmidt also asked what kind of amenities are planned for the residents living there and was told a pool, fitness facility, clubroom, business center, dog park, dog spa and a media/business room.

Noting that the new plan eliminates sidewalks on both sides of Fairfax Boulevard, Councilwoman Janice Miller told McGeorge that road is difficult to cross. But O'Brien said that part is "in an area where there's just a small section of space and there's no room for a sidewalk."

However, Councilman Jon Stehle wondered how the residents would get to and from the nearby Earth Fare and restaurants on foot. Also concerned about the plan's removal of the pedestrian bridges, he said, "Having folks walk from one building where they park to another building where they live is difficult for me to understand – especially with no protection from the weather."

DeMarco said he wanted to know where the crossing points at Fairfax Boulevard and Lee Highway are, and Schmidt said she'd like to see the sidewalks connected. "I'm a little concerned about the reduction in parking, so I'd like you to take a look at that," she told McGeorge. "And I share my colleagues' concerns about the reduction in

commercial space. I understand the challenges of the marketplace, but the reality is residential units cost [the City] money, and commercial units generate revenue."

However, replied Condie, "We're bringing the residential component needed for retail to thrive." But Councilman Jeff Greenfield wasn't buying his explanation and didn't mince words when it came to his feelings about the changes.

"I voted against this project, the first time," said Greenfield. "We were promised a lot and weren't able to get it. And now it's not the project that went through our expensive public hearing and was approved. Now you're cutting back quite a bit in a number of areas. Why would someone want to be here, vs. Fairfax Corner or the Mosaic District? What would be the attraction?"

"When we look at the jobs, demographics and household income here, it's a strong area with great schools and a lot of opportunities," answered McGeorge. "I don't know why someone wouldn't want to be here."

**THE NEW PLAN** also uses less brick and more siding in the buildings than in the original proposal. Mayor David Meyer said he hopes this project "will be a catalyst to other building sites in that area." But, he added, "I'm disappointed to see some of the facades aren't the same as previously. I like the diversity among the units, but I'm concerned about the streetscape and the connectivity between the project and Earth Fare and CAVA."

Noting that the public will also have the opportunity to weigh in on the revisions, Meyer said, "I'd like us to continue to work with the applicant to address our concerns. The applicant might have to make an additional expenditure because the building quality has decreased."

But looking at this long-term, if not this, then what?"

# Theatre

## Masterful Comedy

### Providence Players to present Neil Simon's 'California Suite.'

By David Siegel  
The Connection

Comedy concludes the Providence Players' 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary season with Neil Simon's "California Suite."

"Our audiences will love the four playlet variety of 'California Suite.' It is full of Simon's effortless banter and keen eye for the human condition," said Jayne Victor, Board President, Providence Players.

What connects the four short plays is this: four couples from different cities travel to California over the course of a year. They stay in the same Beverly Hills Hotel suite. Each couple brings their problems, anxieties and comic marital dilemmas with them.

"I was drawn to directing 'California Suites,'" said Beth Gilles-Whitehead. "I wanted to do this relationship play with its personal scenes, physical comedy and verbal wit."

### Where and When

Providence Players present "California Suites" at The James Lee Community Center Theater, 2855 Annandale Road Falls Church. Performances: June 1-16, 2018. Thursday, Friday and Saturday 7:30 p.m. and Sunday Matinees 2 p.m., June 3 and 10. Tickets \$20 Adults, \$17 Students/Seniors. All Seating is reserved. Call 703-425-6782 or go to [www.providenceplayers.org/tickets/](http://www.providenceplayers.org/tickets/)

"California Suite" consists of "The Visitor From New York," in which Hannah loves living in New York, while her ex-husband, Billy, loves L.A. Can the two happily divorced parents raise their only daughter while living 3,000 miles apart? "The Visitor from Philadelphia" finds Marvin waking up in the suite with both a hangover and a young woman he doesn't know beside him. Then his wife arrives.

In "The Visitors from London," actress Diana loses the Oscar to another woman, and her husband to another man on the same night. And finally, four best friends are enjoying a dream vacation together in "The Visitors from Chicago." That is until a highly competitive tennis match turns friend to enemy.

Ia Ioannidou portrays Hannah Warren in "The Visitor From New York." For Ioannidou, the character Hannah is "a tough lady, navigating the male dominated world. It is difficult for her to allow herself to enjoy motherhood or even the thought of becoming a grandparent one day. She had to choose between her professional career and motherhood."

Chris Persil plays Billy Warren, Hannah's ex-husband. "Billy, a divorced 45-year old writer living in LA meets up with his ex-wife after 9 years and quarrels about custody of their 17-year-old daughter."

Liz Mykietyn plays Millie Michaels in "The Visitor from Philadelphia." "Millie is a loving wife and mom who doesn't get much time alone with her husband whom she adores; never mind a trip to Beverly Hills. For this trip

to go "BAD" on her is sad." As for husband, Marvin portrayed by Dave Wright, "basically, Marvin is a good man who made a really bad decision."

Join the Providence Players at "California Suite" to laugh; perhaps even have snuffle or two.



Photo by Chip Gertzog/Courtesy Providence Players

Ia Ioannidou as Hannah Warren and Chris Persil as William Warren in rehearsal for the Providence Players production of Neil Simon's comedy "California Suite."

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# News

## Local Man Is Charged with Three Robberies

By Bonnie Hobbs  
The Connection

Fairfax County police have apprehended the man they believe is responsible for a series of robberies in Aziz Centreville and the City of Fairfax. He is Youssif Aziz, 27, of Centreville. He was arrested May 4 and charged that day and on May 17 in connection with the following robberies committed in 2017:



**Aziz**

- ❖ June 8 - Advance America, a check-cashing/payday-loan business in the Centreville Square Shopping Center in Centreville;
- ❖ June 9 - TD Bank, 9500 block of Main Street in the City of Fairfax;
- ❖ June 17 - TD Bank, 6200 block of Multiplex Drive in Centreville's Centre Ridge community.

According to police, the day after the robbery at Advance America, City of Fairfax police responded to a robbery, June 9, 2017, shortly after 3:30 p.m., at the TD Bank on Main Street. Police said a man entered the bank, demanded money and fled with an undisclosed amount of cash.

Eight days later, Fairfax County police responded to a similar robbery at another TD Bank. This one happened June 17, 2017, around 12:45 p.m., in Centre Ridge. No one was hurt in either incident. However, after the three robberies, detectives in both the Sully District Police Station and the City of Fairfax Police Department teamed up to identify and find the perpetrator.

The suspect was described as white, possibly Hispanic or of Middle Eastern descent, in his 20s, between 5 feet 5 inches and 5 feet 9 inches tall, and 140 pounds. Police were also able to obtain bank surveillance photos of him. And now, after almost a year has passed, police believe they have the robber in custody. Aziz is currently being held without bond in the county's Adult Detention Center and has a June 19 court date.

Furthermore, detectives believe he may also be linked to other robberies in the area. So if anyone has any information that might connect Aziz to other crimes, they're urged to contact Fairfax County's Major Crimes Bureau at 703-246-7800.

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# Opinion

## Preventing Gang Violence

By Gerald E. Connolly  
U.S. Representative  
(D-11)



**F**amilies through out our community have been shaken by the recent rise in gang activity across the Washington region. This is a serious issue that must be addressed with collaboration and cooperation from all levels of government. We know the problem, and now we must find the right solution.

Fairfax County offers a model for what our country can do to fight gang violence.

**Commentary** When I was chairman of the Fairfax

County Board of Supervisors, we worked with local law enforcement, the business community, and the faith and civic communities to reduce gang crime and gang association. We hired the county's first gang prevention coordinator and started tattoo and graffiti removal initiatives. We collaborated with the Boys and Girls Clubs to launch the "Join a Club, Not a Gang" campaign, and expanded after school programs to all 26 of

our middle schools. And we reached out to parents to help them understand the signs of gang involvement. Thanks to this collaboration, the number of teenagers involved in gang activity declined by 50 percent and the crime rate fell to a 32-year low. Fairfax County remains the safest jurisdiction of its size in the United States.

I brought that local government experience with me to Congress and on a bipartisan basis, I worked with former U.S. Rep. Frank Wolf to secure federal funding for the Northern Virginia Regional Gang Task Force (NVRGTF). In fact, I offered the last earmark for the NVRGTF before the House Majority abolished earmarks, stripping the task force of its federal funding.

The best thing we can do is resume funding for regional task forces that focus on gang prevention, intervention, and suppression in our communities. It is not enough to fund programs and organizations that focus solely on prosecuting gang members after their crimes have been committed. We must take a well-rounded, holistic approach to community safety by restoring the federal

government's commitment to preventing these crimes from ever being committed in the first place.

We know that collaborative programs like the Task Force work. Regional task forces provide local governments and law enforcement bodies with unified organizations that span jurisdictional boundaries and allow for streamlined input from various stakeholders across a community. That is why, recently, I introduced the Preventing Gang Violence Act, legislation that will increase funding for competitive and evidence-based programs to reduce gang violence by \$18 million.

This bipartisan legislation builds upon our success in Fairfax County by providing community-based violence prevention grants to effective regional task forces across the country.

Grant applications would be evaluated based on a number of factors, including an applicant's record of implementing best practices in gang violence prevention, evidence of collaboration between relevant stakeholders, an effective grant implementation plan, and plans for evaluating results.

In addition to its bipartisan support in Congress, this proposal has the support of a diverse set of expert organizations, including the

National Alliance of Gang Investigators Associations (NAGIA) and the Coalition for Juvenile Justice (CJJ). As NAGIA notes, this legislation "recognizes that communities must be equipped with prevention programs to keep their children from joining gangs." And CJJ makes clear that the bill brings a "community-based approach to bear on our nation's gang violence problem."

Some, most notably the President, would have you think America must shut its borders. That you cannot allow immigrants into our country and maintain security.

We know this is a false choice, and runs contrary to the American and Fairfax experience. I've rejected the ant-immigrant proposals pushed by the Administration, including its unconstitutional travel ban. Our immigrant communities contribute so much to the fabric of life in Northern Virginia. We shouldn't drive them into the shadows.

An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

Fairfax County has made progress, but we need the Federal Government to remain a partner. The Gang Violence Prevention Act is a down payment on making our communities safer.

## One More Time

By Kenneth R. "Ken" Plum  
State Delegate (D-36)



**R**eading another column about the failure of the Virginia General Assembly to expand Medicaid may be as painful for you to read as it is for me to write. I know I have been predicting for months that a biennial budget would be passed for the Commonwealth and

**Commentary** that it would include an expansion of health care coverage for those who are not now eligible for Medicaid. Nervously I stand by that prediction. Even the Majority Leader of the Senate whose members have been holding up the budget in opposition to Medicaid expansion has been quoted in news account that a budget will be passed and that it will include Medicaid expansion. So, what is the problem? And as many constituents ask me, what is the hold up?

Historically, biennial budgets for

the state have passed by near-unanimous numbers. Not everyone has agreed with every number or every provision of the budget; the document is always a bundle of compromises that satisfies as many people as possible when there are always strict limitations on resources. Ironically, the addition of an expanded Medicaid budget brings hundreds of million dollars to the budget and frees up hundreds of millions of dollars that can be used for education and other needs. By not adopting an expanded program of Medicaid, Virginia has foregone about ten billion dollars of federal money that required no state match. The funds coming to Virginia would not add to the national debt because of the tax funding included in the Affordable Care Act to support the program.

But I have explained the economics of the program in many past columns. It is a good deal for the state and a wonderful expansion of health care to those who are most in need. What is the hold

up? Many of you have already figured out that it is the politics of the issue. For many years it was opposition to anything that had to do with Obamacare. The former President has gone on to another career, but there have been many unsuccessful attempts in the Congress to undo his legacy as it relates to health care. For those who were part of the opposition to the expansion for many years there may be a problem pivoting to supporting it even if there are thousands of constituents who would benefit in better health care from it. For an even more conservative constituent waiting in the wings to challenge the legislator in a pri-

mary there is an opportunity to accuse the incumbent of flip-flopping on the issue.

House of Delegates members had a "refreshing" meeting with their voters last November. Some of the strongest incumbent opponents to Medicaid expansion lost their seats. A majority of the newly elected House voted weeks ago to pass the budget with Medicaid expansion in it. A majority of senators support it and should be allowed to vote. Those who do not can explain their position to voters in the next election cycle leading up to the election in November 2019. I hope I do not have to explain this one more time.

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“The Reagan Years” kicked off the 2018 season of Rock the Block in style.

## ‘The Reagan Years’ Rock the Block

The 1980s cover band, “The Reagan Years,” had the crowd dancing and singing along to the music, last Friday night, May 25. It performed in Old Town Square for the first Rock the Block of 2018.



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### Art Exhibit: House, Sky and Abyss.

Through June 24, gallery hours at Workhouse Arts Center's Vulcan Muse Gallery, 1st Floor, 9518 Workhouse Road, Lorton. House, Sky and Abyss is a solo exhibition featuring Gerardo Camargo chronicling the relationship between natural environment and social constructs. Visit [www.workhousearts.org](http://www.workhousearts.org).

### Art Exhibit: Candy for the Eye,

**Food for the Soul.** Through July 8, gallery hours at Workhouse Arts Center's Warrior Way Gallery, 1st Floor, 9518 Workhouse Road, Lorton. Gene Moty, a retired Air Force officer, creates contemplative, whimsical paintings using traditional materials. Visit [www.workhousearts.org](http://www.workhousearts.org).

### The Sunday Farmers' Market.

Through Oct. 21, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at 10500 Page Ave., Fairfax — one block from West and Main streets behind the Wells Fargo Bank and adjacent to the Historic Fairfax County Courthouse. Visit [www.fairfaxsundaymarket.com](http://www.fairfaxsundaymarket.com).

### Saturday Community Farmers' Market.

Through Oct. 27, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at 10500 Page Ave., Fairfax — one block from West and Main streets behind the Wells Fargo Bank and adjacent to the Historic Fairfax County Courthouse. Visit [www.fairfaxsaturdaymarket.com](http://www.fairfaxsaturdaymarket.com).

**Farmers Market.** Saturdays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Springfield Town Center, 6699 Spring Mall Drive, Springfield.



By Chip Gertzog, Providence Players

**Liz Mykietyn as Millie Michaels and Dave Wright as Marvin Michaels in the Providence Players production of the Neil Simon comedy "California Suite."**

## 'California Suite'

The Providence players conclude their 20th anniversary season with the Neil Simon comedy, "California Suite," Simon's humorous confection in four separate comedy playlets with one common thread. Four couples from different cities travel to California over the course of a year and stay in the same Beverly Hills Hotel suite, bringing their problems, anxieties and comic marital dilemmas with them. On stage June 1-16; Thursday-Saturday, 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, 2 p.m. at James Lee Community Center Theater, 2855 Annandale Road, Falls Church. Adults, \$20; students/seniors, \$17. All seating is reserved. Call 703-425-6782 or visit [www.providenceplayers.org](http://www.providenceplayers.org) for more.

Visit [www.facebook.com/SpringfieldFoodworks/](http://www.facebook.com/SpringfieldFoodworks/).

**Second Saturdays.** 6-9 p.m. at the Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Road, Lorton. The Second Saturday Art Walk is the perfect time to meet nearly 85 Resident and Associate Artists, creating art in the studios or exhibiting in our galleries. Experience performances of dance, cabaret, comedy, big band, jazz, and

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### Fairfax Pets on Wheels New Volunteer Orientation.

An orientation for new volunteers interested in visiting residents of nursing homes and assisted living facilities with their approved pets through the Fairfax Pets On Wheels program is held the first Wednesday of every month starting at 7:30 p.m. Visit [www.fpow.org](http://www.fpow.org) for each month's location. Prior to attending, please complete the online application found at [www.fpow.org/volunteer](http://www.fpow.org/volunteer). [dfspetsonwheels@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:dfspetsonwheels@fairfaxcounty.gov), 703-324-5424 or

**Carolina Shag.** Wednesdays, 6:30-10 p.m. at Arlington/Fairfax Elks Lodge, 8421 Arlington Blvd., Fairfax. Free lessons at 7:30 p.m. No partners needed. Dinner menu, \$8. Under 21 free. [nvshag.org](http://nvshag.org).

**FUN-Exercise** Thursdays, noon-12:50 p.m. at Grace Presbyterian Church Family Room, 7434 Bath St., Springfield. Inova certified exercise instructor leads a moderate level exercise class with music and current events conversation. Muscle, Balance, Strength Training using stretch bands and weights both standing and seated exercises. Instructor donation is \$5. [moorefitt@yahoo.com](mailto:moorefitt@yahoo.com) or 703-499-6133.

**Exercise Program** Mondays and Fridays at 9:30 a.m. year-round at Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 5114 Twinbrook Road, Fairfax. The exercises are for strength, balance and maintaining limberness. Contact SCFB office at 703-426-2824 for more information.

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**English Conversation Groups** weekly at George Mason, Burke Centre, and Lorton Libraries Practice and improve your English. Day and start times vary. Visit: [va.evanced.info/fairfaxcounty/lib/eventcalendar.asp](http://va.evanced.info/fairfaxcounty/lib/eventcalendar.asp)

**Funday Monday** 10:30 a.m., every Monday at Old Town Hall, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. There will be music, movement, storytelling, performances, crafts, and more. It is open to children of all ages, however especially for those who haven't yet started school.

Programs are free and open to the public, donations are gratefully appreciated. There is ample free parking in the downtown area, and stroller access at the rear of Old Town Hall on Main St. 703-385-7858 [www.fairfaxva.gov/culturalarts](http://www.fairfaxva.gov/culturalarts).

## THURSDAY/MAY 31-SATURDAY/JUNE 2

**Summer Book Sale.** Thursday, 1-3 p.m. (Friends' members only - join at the door), 3-9 p.m. open to all; Friday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Saturday, 10

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# Sports



Video screenshot by Jon Roetman/The Connection

**Woodson senior Logan Dougherty, left, scored nine goals and had three assists against West Potomac on Tuesday.**

## Woodson Girls' Lax Wins Region Championship

**Senior attacker Logan Dougherty scores nine goals in victory.**

By Jon Roetman  
The Connection

**W**hen asked about Logan Dougherty, Woodson girls' lacrosse coach Bill Lewis said the senior attacker is a "player that doesn't need to score goals for us to win games."

Dougherty, the 2018 Patriot District Player of the Year, is Woodson's all-time leading point scorer. This season, she's done most of her damage as a distributor, dishing out assists while the Cavaliers captured a district title and went undefeated against public school competition en route to Tuesday's Region 6C championship game matchup against West Potomac.

Woodson is hard enough to beat with Dougherty passing to her teammates. So, when No. 5 lit up West Potomac for nine goals on Tuesday night, the Cavaliers were pretty much invincible.

Woodson dominated the final 28 minutes and captured the Region 6C championship with a 26-9 victory over West Potomac on May 29 at Woodson High School.

Dougherty, who will play college lacrosse at West Point, added three assists as the Cavaliers steamrolled their way to their 15th win in their last 16 games.

"[Dougherty] is amazing," said Lewis, who is in his third season as Woodson head coach. "I can't say enough of what she does for us. ... She comes up big in big games. Since I've been here, she's always been huge in big moments."

Dougherty scored six goals in the first half, helping Woodson build a 13-7 lead at the midway point. Her ninth goal gave the Cavaliers a 22-8 advantage with less than 13 minutes remaining.

"I just do whatever the team needs me to do," Dougherty said. "If that's assists, it's

assists. If it's goals, it's goals. I just see what the defense is giving me, take what they give me and make adjustments based on what they're giving me."

While the game ended in a blowout, West Potomac made things tough on Woodson early. The Wolverines twice held one-goal leads in the opening minutes and trailed by just one late in the first half, when a goal by Clare Madden cut the West Potomac deficit to 8-7 with 3:10 on the clock.

That's when Woodson took over, closing the half on a 5-0 run. Sophomore midfielder Margaret Stephan scored the Cavaliers' final goal of the half with one second remaining after catching a long pass from senior defender Rachel Williams.

Woodson dominated the second half, outscoring West Potomac 13-2.

Lewis said the Cavaliers switched from an aggressive, double-teaming defense to man-to-man and made an adjustment with the draw. The result was Woodson scoring 18 of the game's final 20 goals.

"Once we got those things going," he said, "the offense just [followed]."

Stephan finished with six goals for the Cavaliers. Senior midfielder Natalie Gates totaled five goals and junior attacker Carlie Hartung had three.

Woodson secured a state tournament berth with a 23-2 win over T.C. Williams in the region semifinals on May 25. It's the Cavaliers' second trip to states in three seasons under Lewis. Woodson reached the state final in 2016, losing to undefeated Robinson 13-9.

"A lot of us have been there before and we know how it feels to come up short," Gates said, "so it's just all-in for the next two weeks to try and ... be (one of) the last two (teams) playing."

Next up for Woodson is a matchup with Herndon in the state quarterfinals either Friday or Saturday. For now, the Cavaliers can enjoy their region championship.

"It's pretty awesome," Gates said. "... [T]o finally do it, it's just overcoming all the obstacles for the past couple years."

## Community Meeting for the Virginia Railway Express (VRE)

The public is invited to a community meeting for the Virginia Railway Express (VRE) Crystal City Station Improvements project on:

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Review information posted on the project website:

[vre.org/development/crystal-city-station-improvements](http://vre.org/development/crystal-city-station-improvements)

Submit **written comments between June 1, 2018 and July 1, 2018**

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### FRIDAY/JUNE 1

**Old Town Village Performances:**  
**Fairfax Saxophone Quartet.** 7-8 p.m. at Old Town Plaza, 3955 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax. The weekend starts here - Friday night on the Old Town Village Plaza - music and dance to relax by. Fridays, June-September, weather permitting. Performances are free. Call 703-385-7858 or visit [www.oldtownplazafairfax.com](http://www.oldtownplazafairfax.com) for more.

**B-I-N-G-O.** 7 p.m. at Fire Station 3, 4081 University Drive, Fairfax. Enjoy free coffee, entertaining callers, a friendly atmosphere, \$1,000 guaranteed jackpot, treasure chest progressive raffles, and good food available for purchase. All proceeds go to purchasing fire and rescue equipment. Visit [www.fairfaxvfd.com](http://www.fairfaxvfd.com) or call 703-273-3638 for more.

### JUNE 1-16

**"California Suite."** Thursday-Saturday, 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, 2 p.m. at James Lee Community Center Theater, 2855 Annandale Road, Falls Church. The Providence players conclude their 20th anniversary season with the Neil Simon comedy, "California Suite." Simon's humorous confection in four separate comedy playlets with one common thread. Four couples from different cities travel to California over the course of a year and stay in the same Beverly Hills Hotel suite, bringing their problems, anxieties and comic marital dilemmas with them. Adults, \$20; students/seniors, \$17. All seating is reserved. Call 703-425-6782 or visit [www.providenceplayers.org](http://www.providenceplayers.org) for more.

### SATURDAY/JUNE 2

**Springfield Days.** Springfield Days, a community-wide weekend-long celebration has been the unofficial kick-off to summer. This year's free events begin with a 5K fun run and conclude with the traditional cardboard boat regatta at Lake Accotink Park. In between there's a car show, craft and fun fair, and book sale. In addition, this year's Springfield Days features a Taste of Springfield. Visit [www.springfielddays.com](http://www.springfielddays.com).

❖ **5K fun run and 1-mile walk.** 8:30 a.m. - leave from and return to Metro Run & Walk at 7261 Commerce Street, Springfield.

❖ **Craft & Fun Fair.** 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Springfield United Methodist Church, 7047 Old Keene Mill Road. In addition to 45 crafters and vendors, there are activities for children, musical entertainment, and food and ice cream trucks.

❖ **Car Show.** 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at American Legion Post 176, 6520 Amherst Ave., Springfield. Registration starts at 8 a.m.; no charge to show a car. All makes and models welcome including antiques, classics street rods, muscle cars, customs and exotics. Multiple trophies for different classes will be awarded.

❖ **Book Sale.** 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Book sale proceeds support the Friends of Richard Byrd Library, its children's programs, periodicals and more.

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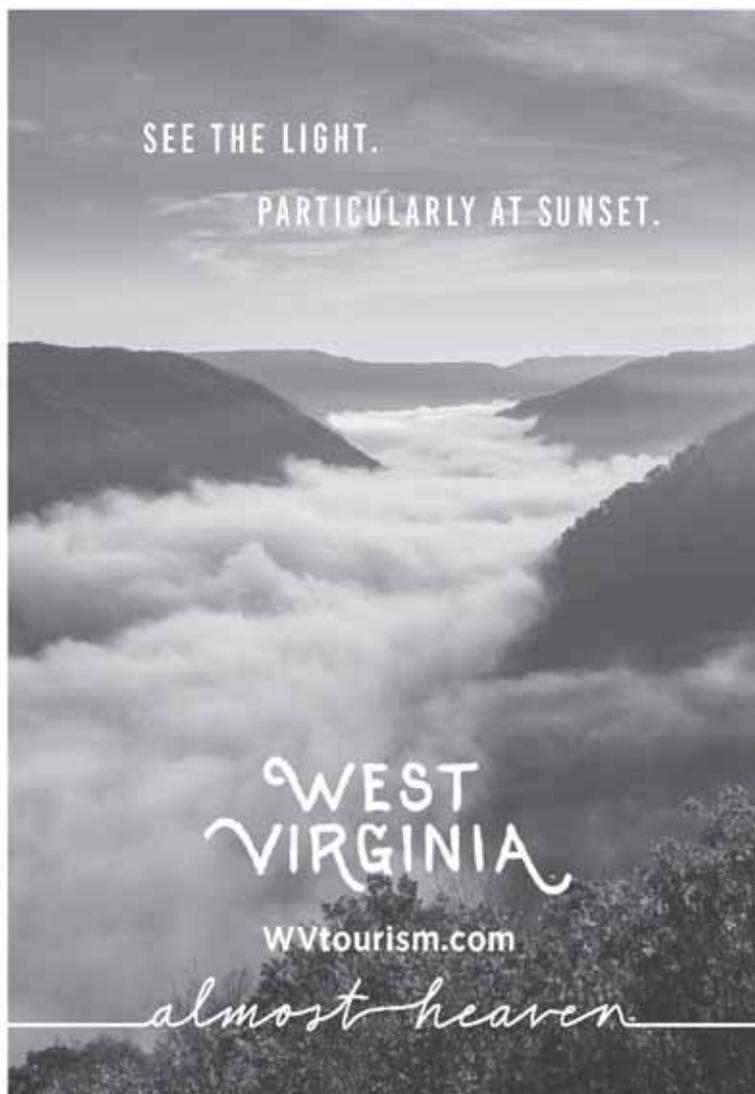
The City of Fairfax, Public Works Department, hereby gives notice of the City's intent to revise the flood hazard information, along Tusico Branch from just upstream of the Fairfax Boulevard to approximately 900 feet downstream of the Fairfax Boulevard. The flood hazard revisions are being proposed as part of a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) Case No. 17-03-2584R for a proposed project along Tusico Branch, a tributary to Accotink Creek. The IDI Group Companies is proposing storm drainage improvements as part of the redevelopment of Paul VI High School. Once the project has been completed, a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) request should be submitted that will, in part, decrease the Base Flood Elevations along Tusico Branch.

1. Base Flood Elevations (BFE) will increase and decrease along Tusico Branch.
2. The SFHA will decrease along Tusico Branch

Maps and detailed analysis of the revision can be reviewed at the Public Works Department, Fairfax City Hall, 10455 Armstrong Street, Fairfax, Virginia 22030. Interested persons may call Peter T. Millard, PE, at 703-385-7810 for additional information from June 1, 2018 to July 31, 2018.

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## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**Assistance League of Northern Virginia**, a volunteer nonprofit, invites community members to join the organization to participate in its Reading Express program. Volunteers provide one-on-one tutoring to first grade students during the school year. To learn more contact VP Membership Mary Gronlund at [gronbiz@aol.com](mailto:gronbiz@aol.com) or Program Coordinator Lynn Barron at [lynnieb517@verizon.net](mailto:lynnieb517@verizon.net).

## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

**Child turning 5 years old by Sept.30?** If so, contact your child's school to make arrangements for kindergarten enrollment. Most schools begin getting information together now for parents of incoming kindergartners, and many host an orientation or open house. All kindergarten programs are full-day and located in FCPS elementary schools. Check your school's webpage or contact the school directly for specific enrollment information and dates of orientation or visit [www.fcps.edu/registration/kindergarten-registration](http://www.fcps.edu/registration/kindergarten-registration).

## THURSDAY/MAY 31

### Meet with Virginia WMATA

**Representatives.** 7-8:30 p.m. at the Providence Community Center, 3001 Vaden Drive, Fairfax. Virginia's representatives to the board of directors of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority will meet the public in a forum sponsored by the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission. The event will include a presentation focused on funding, governance and safety, followed by a question-and-answer session. The facility is within walking distance of the Vienna Metro station. Visit [www.novatransit.org](http://www.novatransit.org).

## THROUGH MAY 31

**Solarize Fairfax.** Join the growing number of city homeowners who harness the power of the sun to provide electricity to their homes by participating in the city's third Solarize Fairfax campaign.

Solarize Fairfax helps residents and businesses learn how they can install and use solar power. Call 703-517-7251 or visit [www.SolarizeCityofFairfax.org](http://www.SolarizeCityofFairfax.org).

## FRIDAY/JUNE 1

### Help Children Navigate Adolescence in the Digital Age.

10 a.m.-noon at Dunn Loring Center for Parent Services, 2334 Gallows Road, Entrance 1 - Room 100, Dunn Loring. What else can parents do to keep their teenager safe on the internet? Join Richard Stegman, FCPS Educational Specialist, to learn the top internet dangers for teens and seven steps for good digital parenting. Free. Call 703-204-3941 or visit [www.fcps.edu/resources/family-engagement/parent-resource-center](http://www.fcps.edu/resources/family-engagement/parent-resource-center).

## SATURDAY/JUNE 2

**Community Yard Sale.** 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at The Pines Community at Pine Meadows and Pine Crossing Lane in Burke. Multiple location sale, across from Lord of Life Lutheran Church. Contact Diane Larrick at [diane.larrick@verizon.net](mailto:diane.larrick@verizon.net).

## MONDAY/JUNE 4

**Proposed Zoning Changes Community Meetings.** 7-9 p.m. at South County High School, 8501 Silverbrook Road, Lorton. The Department of Planning and Zoning will hold provide information about upcoming Zoning Ordinance Amendments and staff will speak one-on-one about zoning issues. Visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/publicaffairs/learn-about-proposed-zoning-changes-may-affect-your-neighborhood-2018-zoning-open-houses](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/publicaffairs/learn-about-proposed-zoning-changes-may-affect-your-neighborhood-2018-zoning-open-houses).

## WEDNESDAY/JUNE 6

**Rec-PAC Summer Hiring.** 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at the Herrity Building, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. This summer, the Fairfax County Park Authority's Rec-PAC summer camp program will operate at more than three dozen elementary school locations around Fairfax County on weekdays July 2-Aug. 9, 8:15 a.m.-3:45 p.m.

Applicants are required to bring an original Social Security Card and a DMV photo ID. Must be 18 years of age or older. Visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/rec-pac/jobs](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/rec-pac/jobs).

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## View to a ShriII



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

I watch a little bit of television. Okay, maybe I watch a lot of television (probably too much if truth be told). And in the curse of watching that television, like it or not, fast-forwarding or not, commercials will be seen and unfortunately heard. Sometimes, what I see and hear causes me to interact with my television, verbally. And even though this verbalization is rarely responded to (other than by my wife, Dina), these outbursts (again if truth be accurately characterized) make me feel so much better.

What irritated me today – which led to this column being written, was a television commercial for a cellular phone company, an (“Approved AARP provider since 2008”) providing “exclusive benefits for AARP members” which, as I consider my age, and associations which have value, I would have to say, to quote my late father: “The idea has merit.” The commercial featured – among other facts and figures – endorsements from a half a dozen or so satisfied customers. The praise was typical of what you might expect/hear; all good about everything: price, service, reliability, value, etc. One woman’s comments however caught my attention. I believe I heard her correctly when she said: “Wild horses couldn’t drag me away from ... .” And then off I went.

Really? Are you kidding me? Rather than change your cellular service, you’d consent to being dragged behind a team of wild horses? Do you actually mean to say that if you had your hands and feet bound and you risked being ripped to shreds, you still wouldn’t change carriers? You can’t be serious? As Minnie Driver asked Matt Damon in a scene from the 1997 movie “Good Will Hunting” discussing his having studied organic chemistry “a bit”: “Are you mad? Have you completely lost your mind?” This customer appeared to be of sound mind but, her comments were so ridiculous that it diminished her value as a “spokes-customer.”

I suppose however, if one were to analyze this amazingly, incredibly loyal comment (and take it at face value), one would have to be impressed. Who wouldn’t want the kind of service whose reliability, service, value, cost, etc. was worth dying for? For me, if the choice was between being dragged behind a team of wild horses – and being torn to pieces/possibly even dying in the process, or changing cellular service companies, I’d change in a minute or as quickly as I could (given the phone calls required) to avoid this Western-era torture. This woman can’t be telling the truth, can she? I mean, it is television where hyperbole and coercion go hand and hand with the remote, and I imagine there was a script involved. Nevertheless, her comments started at the top and went up from there. Apparently, being reasonable isn’t part of this commercial’s equation. Their “spokes-customers” haven’t just drunk the Kool-Aid, they’ve invited the Kool-Aid Man, pitcher and all, into their homes and offered us viewers a drink.

The problem for me, other than I spend too much time watching television, is that when what I’m watching tests the bounds of believability, be it content or especially commercials/advertisements, it inevitably turns a positive message into a negative one. Subsequently, my take-away: don’t bother me with nonsense; I’m not interested. The exact opposite of the intended effect. If truth be told (yet again), I’m likely over-reacting (really?) but, when a line is crossed, sometimes I can’t go back, like Burt Lancaster/“Moonlight Graham” couldn’t in the 1989 movie, “Field of Dreams.”

To invoke/extrapolate Capt. Woodrow F. Call from the epic, 1989 mini-series, “Lonesome Dove:” “I hate rude behavior in a man. Won’t tolerate it.” Well, neither can I tolerate commercials which take me for a dope. Can’t handle it.

I may not be the sharpest knife in the drawer, but I do have a little intellect and substance to draw upon even when I’m sitting on the couch watching television. I haven’t completely lost my mind, yet.

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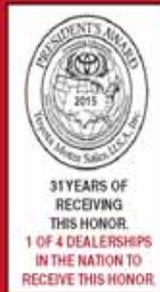
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