

Halal butchery receives warning from city



PHOTO/DC POULTRY PUBLIC FACEBOOK PAGE

Two rabbits shown in a video posted to the DC Poultry public Facebook page on August 4.

City says sale of rabbits violated terms of DC Poultry Market's SUP

BY AMY WILL

DC Poultry Market, a family-owned halal meat market on Colvin Street, was issued a warning by the Alexandria Department of Planning and Zoning on Tuesday after informing an inspector they had been selling more than just poultry to their customers.

"The applicant stated that they had rabbits on the property several months ago, but have not had since. We nevertheless issued a warning. It is clear that rabbits are not permissible, are not permitted to

be sold under their special use permit," Department of Planning and Zoning Director Karl Moritz said in a phone interview Tuesday afternoon after confirming there had been no change to the city's regulation of the company.

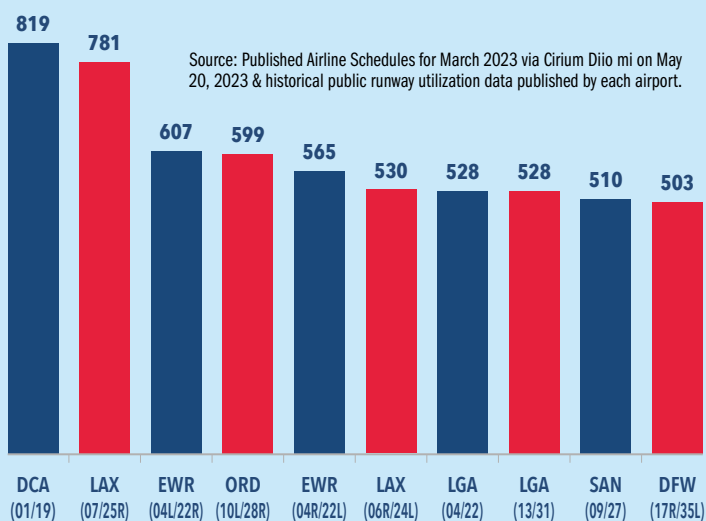
DC Poultry Market's special use permit was approved in a controversial 5-2 vote by City Council on March 26, 2019, following an outpouring of opposition from nearby residents and businesses leading up to the vote. In section III of the document it states, "The storage of live animals shall be restricted to poultry."

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U.S. House grounds DCA flight amendment

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DCA is the country's busiest runway.

Noise concerns continue as flight volume passes pre-pandemic levels

BY KAITLIN MURPHY

Airplane noise is an omnipresent fact of life for Alexandria residents, particularly along the city's waterfront. Deafening sound and vibrations from planes overhead rattle buildings and add to urban noise pollution in a daily – and at times every minute – reminder of our close proximity to Reagan National Airport, also known as DCA.

Reagan has the busiest runway in the country, according

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Running Strong's second annual Powwow took place on Sunday at Waterfront Park.

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Fugitive shot at Potomac Yard

The Alexandria Police Department responded to “a federal law enforcement officer-involved shooting” at Potomac Yard Shopping Center on Tuesday, according to a city news release from mid-afternoon.

APD further elaborated on the shooting at 5:25 p.m. in a followup release, saying that upon arriving at Potomac Yard, APD officers “learned the U.S. Marshals Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force located a wanted fugitive in the Potomac Yard shopping center. While the CARFTF attempted to apprehend the suspect, he was shot. He was transported to the hospital with life-threatening injuries.”

The first reports of gunshots at Potomac Yard Shopping Center came into 911 at 12:48 p.m. Tuesday, according to the website openmhz.com. Once on the scene, APD discovered U.S. Marshals were armed and in charge of the situation. One person, who was inside a parked vehicle that ap-

parently didn’t belong to them was reported shot, while a U.S. Marshal was treated for a “percussion injury.” Dispatch indicated that the person who was shot was transported to G.W. Hospital.

According to openmhz.com, dispatch reported the first caller reported hearing “20 shots. Nothing seen, just heard.” Another caller reported the same 11 seconds later.

“We either have the FBI or some other jurisdiction out here,” a reporting officer told dispatch at 12:51 p.m. “In front of Home Goods or Michael’s. I’m not sure who they are but they’d like us to keep everyone away.”

At 12:53 p.m. dispatch called Engine 209, Medic 209 and EMS 231 to the scene for a shooting at 3692 Richmond Highway “cross street East Reed.”

A subsequent call said the incident involved U.S. Marshals and “one subject has been shot.”

At 12:53:37 an officer on

the scene reported: “I’m standing back here with the owner of the vehicle. She’s with a child and they’re not harmed. Whoever is inside the vehicle has been shot.”

12:54:37 An APD report said “At this time we are advising that U.S. Marshals are on the scene with a subject that has been shot.”

The scene was declared “cold” at 12:54.

At 1:08:34 an officer reported: “A manager is staging with seven people in their stockroom in the area. They want to know if they should still shelter in place.”

“They can come out” was the reply.

Alexandria Police Department is asking anyone with information related to this incident to contact Detective Stephen Riley by phone at 703-746-6225, by email at stephen.riley@alexandriava.gov or to call the APD non-emergency number at 703-746-4444. Tips can be anonymous.

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APD investigates infant death

According to a release, on July 19 “Alexandria Police, along with the Alexandria Fire Department, responded to a residence in the 300 block of S. Reynolds

St. after receiving a call of a baby not breathing. The baby was transported to the hospital where she died later in the week. Due to the sudden death of the infant, the

medical examiner will determine the official cause of death. There are currently no charges pending in this investigation.”

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Picture perfect powwow

Local non-profit Running Strong for American Indian Youth hosted its second Powwow in Old Town’s Waterfront Park on Sunday. Open and free to all, the event aimed to provide Alexandria’s Native residents with a space to celebrate and educate.

According to Running Strong’s invitation, the goal of the Powwow was to “celebrate culture within the D.C-Met-

ropolitan area [which is] important and symbolic in many ways. Ancestrally, the land and river systems that make up and surround the U.S Capital belongs to the Piscataway, Pamunkey, Nentego, Mattaponi, Chickahominy, Monacan and Powhatan Tribes. The vast waterways and highly diverse migratory wildlife in the area’s environment has allowed local tribes to thrive here for thou-

sands of years.”

During the six-hour festival, attendees and guests were treated to competitions between drum groups and intertribal dances.

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14-year-old juvenile arrested in carjacking case

On July 25 a 14-year-old juvenile was taken into custody in D.C. following a connection with a carjacking that occurred earlier in the day in Alexandria. According to a release, a “9-1-1 call came in just after 9 a.m., where a 47-year-old Alexandria resident reported she was forcefully removed from her vehicle as it was being stolen. Alexandria Police, in collaboration with the Metropolitan Police Department, were able to locate



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the vehicle hours later in D.C. and take the juvenile suspect into custody.” No injuries were reported in relation to these incidents.

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PHOTO/DC POULTRY PUBLIC FACEBOOK PAGE

The May 3 post on the DC Poultry public Facebook page listed rabbit as one of their items for sale.

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Despite DC Poultry’s statement to Planning and Zoning that rabbits had not been on their property for several months, two videos posted to the DC Poultry public Facebook page within the past week

clearly show caged rabbits at the facility along with an array of poultry.

In a Facebook video dated August 4, a camera scans the room showing DC Poultry’s offerings and briefly shows a cage with two rabbits. Another post dated the next day of a You-

Tube video is an interview with a DC Poultry employee showing cages filled with fowl and eventually one with at least four rabbits. One rabbit curiously sticks its nose through the bars of its cage while the DC Poultry employee is being interviewed for the video.

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The Times has a copy of the video and screenshot photos of all of the Facebook posts.

DC Poultry Market’s SUP procedure for violations states: “It is the responsibility of

the special use permit holder to adhere to the conditions approved by City Council. The Department of Planning and Zoning will periodically inspect the property to identify compliance with the approved conditions. If any condition is in violation, the permit holder will be cited and issued a ticket. The first violation carries a monetary fine. Continued violations will cause staff to docket the special use permit for review by City Council for possible revocation.”

Moritz elaborated on the frequency of city inspections in an emailed response.

“Special Use Permits are inspected on a regular basis as well as in response to complaints. For DC Poultry, the Department issued a warning on 12/8/21 for spillage that occurred during trash pick up. Spillage was cleaned on the day of occurrence. Another warning was issued on July 13, 2022 for propping a door open. Prior to this week’s complaint, the last SUP inspection was completed on 5/20/22, no violations were observed during inspection,” Moritz said.

According to Moritz, if there are no further violations, Planning and Zoning will continue conducting inspections

“according to the normal rotating schedule” but will also do spot inspections if complaints are filed.

“Depending on the situation, we may increase our monitoring of a business for a period after a complaint has been investigated,” Moritz said in the email.

Mayor Justin Wilson, who in 2019 voted to allow DC Poultry Market to open in Alexandria, said in an email that the business should be held to the terms of their SUP.

“If there is a violation of their SUP, they should be cited for it. If not corrected, they are subject to a fine or SUP revocation. That is our normal approach,” Wilson said in the email.

Vice Mayor Amy Jackson, who voted against the SUP in 2019, said she was looking into the current situation at DC Poultry but did not provide further comment as of the Times’ Wednesday deadline.

Moritz confirmed that DC Poultry was compliant during the visit by his department’s inspector and the Health Department was also informed “to make sure that everyone relevant is aware.”

This is not the first time health and safety concerns have been raised about DC Poultry. The Times reported in May 2022 about a complaint from December 2021. In that grievance, several businesses recounted seeing a “foul smelling sludge” consisting of flesh and feathers on the corner of Roth and Colvin Streets. Photos did show a mess on the road, but it was quickly cleaned up.

Much like Tuesday’s events, the complaint was filed with the city, which responded by sending a zoning inspector to examine the facility. During the visit, the inspector found that the business was compliant with SUP conditions and left owner Abdul Mused with a warning notice based on the

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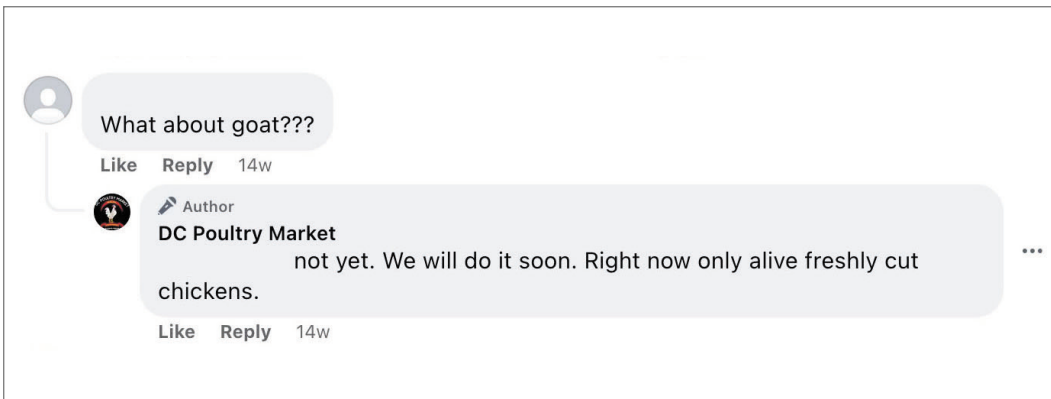
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An April 27 exchange on the DC Poultry public Facebook page in which the business says they will be offering goats 'soon.'

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photographic evidence.

Mused told the Times in that 2022 report that the December complaint was the fault of a nearby garbage company and not his business.

"The garbage company, they picked up our garbage and they were overloaded from a previous pickup and they spilled some of the garbage. It came out of their truck. It wasn't in our shop, it was a couple blocks down," Mused said at the time.

Another possible viola-

tion took place early on after the butchery opened in March 2019. In the May 2022 Times story, it was reported nearby businesses noticed the slaughterhouse would open its garage doors and front doors seemingly for ventilation purposes. The city requires in the slaughterhouse's SUP that the facility keep its doors closed to prevent the release of particulates and odors, making the slaughterhouse's open doors illegal.

The neighboring business later noted DC Poultry Market's doors were subsequently kept closed and there have

been no complaints since.

Mused could not be reached for comment regarding Tuesday's inspection.

There were also discrepancies in the DC Poultry SUP application and attached memorandums from Moritz and then-Alexandria Health Director Stephen Haering regarding the number of chickens that were expected to be processed annually at the facility. Moritz's March 21, 2019 memo to City Council says if more than 20,000 birds are processed annually, then according to the Virginia Department of Ag-

riculture and Consumer Services, the poultry facility must have an on-site inspector present at all times to examine each bird before it's slaughtered.

In his March 21 Memorandum to City Council, Moritz answered the question: "How many chickens would be processed by the applicant?"

The answer in Moritz' memorandum was much higher than what DC Poultry wrote on their application.

"Based on a statement by the applicant at the public hearing on March 16, 2019 the applicant would have approximately 200 – 400 chickens per day (with the potential for approximately 500 per day during holiday seasons)," the memorandum from Moritz stated.

Even the low end of this spectrum would result in more than 60,000 chickens being processed each year at the site. This number is well above the threshold cited by Moritz trigger the on-site inspector requirement.

In a memorandum from Haering to City Council that was dated March 22, 2019, Haering said his understanding was that DC Poultry was likely to be exempt from the VDACS requirement to have an on-site inspector.

"Alexandria Health Department has made numerous calls to VDACS to determine how such a facility would be regulated in the City of Alexandria. From the information provided by the applicant, it is VDACS's belief that the facility would qualify for an exemption from bird-by-bird inspection due to the number of birds that the applicant proposes to process," Haering said in the memo.

In their SUP application, the business stated that "Saba Live Poultry is a slaughter-to-order facility that expects to process 350 to 420 chickens weekly." The low end of this range would put DC Poultry Market below the 20,000 threshold, while 420 weekly would put it above.

Since they're open seven days a week, they would average processing only 50 chickens per day at the 350 number and 60 per day at 420 per week.

Having an exemption is significant for a business, as there are only inspections at opening and once or twice a year for bird safety rather than all day every day, according to Haering's 2019 memo:

"An exempt facility is inspected upon opening and then periodically to ensure ongoing compliance with sanitation requirements. On discussion with VDACS there is no set time frame for these inspections, but it would be anticipated that they would be annual or biennially in nature," Haering said in the memo. "The number of birds processed is self-reported by the slaughterhouse, and the slaughterhouse is responsible for ensuring that they do not process more than the 20,000 birds allowed annually."

VDACS Director of Communications Mike Wallace initially responded with this statement regarding inspections at DC Poultry Market:

"VDACS Veterinary Services performs disease surveillance at this location on a quarterly basis pursuant to Virginia Administrative Code 2VAC5-295-9999. Failure to comply with this regulation is a civil penalty, not to exceed \$2,500 per day per violation."

When pressed to say whether VDACS had granted DC Poultry an exemption to on-site inspections, Wallace responded as the Times was going to press that DC Poultry has not been and will not be inspected at all by VDACS.

"Retail establishments, such as live poultry markets, are exempt from inspection pursuant to the United States Poultry Products Inspection Act," Wallace said in the email.

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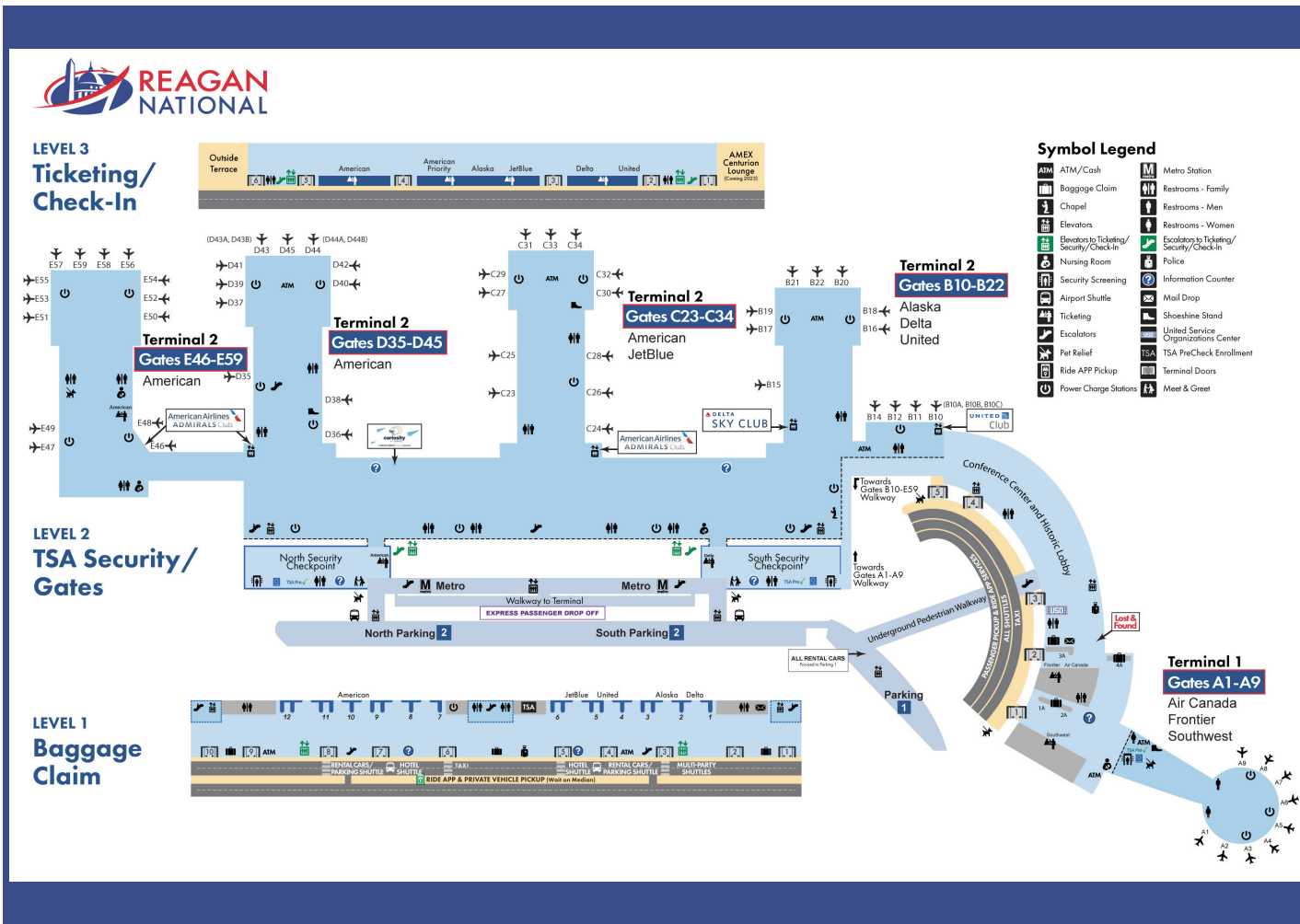
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The specific provisions of the proposed amendment would have allowed seven extra round trip long haul flights out of the airport, one for each airline currently operating at Reagan National Airport.

Flight restrictions

Strategies have been in place for decades to monitor congestion and noise exposure from aircraft using Reagan National Airport, which has 58 gates in two terminals. The “Perimeter Rule” at DCA is a federal regulation limiting the range of most nonstop

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to The Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority’s website, with an average of 819 takeoffs and landings a day – or almost 300,000 per year.

Reagan’s slot rule limits incoming or outgoing flights at the airport to 62 per hour – or just under one per minute. Its short main runway causes congestion and necessitates tight scheduling of both incoming

and outbound flights.

The airport’s proximity to our country’s seat of government relegates the region’s other two airports, Dulles International and Baltimore-Washington International, to

second-tier status due to the time it takes to reach them.

Alexandria’s leaders have for years raised the issue of DCA’s noise pollution, and its detrimental impact on quality of life for city residents, to

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flights to and from the airport to 1,250 miles. Long-distance flights use larger planes and carry more passengers, which can increase noise and airport congestion.

Over the years, the federal government has granted exceptions to the perimeter rule. Daily flights are now allowed to 10 cities beyond 1,250 miles, according to flyreagan.com: Denver, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Phoenix, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Seattle, Portland, San Diego and Austin.

The FAA began collecting noise data in 1978 “to maximize aircraft movements over water and minimize aircraft movements over more densely populated communities.” Other noise-based restrictions include The Airport Noise and Capacity Act which led to the DCA Nighttime Noise Rule which is based on the approach and takeoff noise for aircraft type, model, weight and engine.

Even with these measures in place on an already maxed out airport, residents and elected officials remain concerned about the DCA slot amendment. Though the version of the FAA Reauthorization bill that passed in the House did not add additional long-distance flights to DCA, the Senate is now debating whether or not to add flight slots to its version of the FAA reauthorization.

According to Congress.gov, Senate bill 1939, the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2023, has been read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce,

Science, and Transportation. If the Senate does not add flight slots to its version of the FAA bill, no new slots will be added to DCA at this time.

However, if the Senate approves slot restrictions in its version of the FAA bill, the different House and Senate versions would be under consideration in conference discussions and the final version could still wind up containing additional flights.

Rep. Don Beyer (D-VA) who represents Alexandria in the 8th U.S. Congressional District, expressed confidence that the extra slots provision will be defeated in the Senate.

“I am encouraged by the bipartisan opposition to expansion and hope that our friends in the Senate will advocate on behalf of our neighbors,” Beyer said in a phone interview.

Beyer also said that it’s obvious to anyone who takes a close look that flights at DCA are maxed out.

“Two months ago, I spent time in the afternoon in the air traffic control tower at DCA,” Beyer said. “Every 30-60 seconds, a flight was taking off or landing. I saw firsthand how short and busy the runway is with no room for expansion. DCA was designed to accommodate the traffic of 14 million people a year. Last year, 25 million passengers came through DCA.”

Other local and state leaders have also voiced their concerns about safety, delays, cancellations, costs, congestion and airplane noise if this amendment passes at the Senate level.

In an opposition letter

dated March 10, Virginia U.S. Senators Mark Warner and Tim Kaine and Maryland Senators Chris Van Hollen and Benjamin Cardin outlined their concerns about how the DCA slot amendments would impact local residents. The letter also touches on the senators’ perceived overuse at DCA and underutilization at Dulles airport.

Noise and more noise

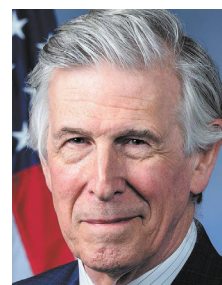
Neighbors have noticed an increase in traffic noise which would become exacerbated with the addition of extra flights each day. Nearby helicopter routes add to the overhead din.

Longtime Alexandria resident Rodger Schlickeisen has observed the increase in noise pollution through the years.

“We’ve lived in the same

house in Rosemont since 1974, so we’ve had a long time to observe flying patterns out of DCA and the growing noise. It’s grown worse since the pandemic ended and there have been more flights producing more noise pollution,” Schlickeisen said.

David Speck, a former member of Alexandria’s City Council and the MWA Board, said some of the local



**DON
BEYER**

ire about noise from DCA has been misdirected.

“Noise is an issue and it always has been. What has been misunderstood is that noise is not controlled by the airport but by the FAA,” Speck said.

The skies directly overhead Alexandria are congested with air travel even without the additional flights. Specifically, the flight path for southbound planes is directly over Old Town down through Mount Vernon.

Some have suggested moving the flight path more centrally over the Potomac River, alleviating some of the harmful overhead noise within the beltway. Once the flights take off from the runway at DCA, they would follow the river corridor southbound as far as Mount

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Vernon before turning inland, according to Beyer.

The Airport Authority's Noise Office Manager, Mike Jeck, confirmed that flights, and therefore noise, are increasing.

"Post-pandemic flight volume is higher in 2023 than in 2019 due to demand. More business travel has also picked up and increased the number of flights," Jeck said.

Jeck said there have been no changes made to the south flow flight patterns since 2015 and no changes to paths approaching DCA north in more than 20 years.

Speck said technology can play a significant role in lessening noise pollution.

"The reality is that the rule is really about the size of the planes. As the technology of planes improves, larger planes can be made with less

noise expanding their range," Speck, who lives in north Old Town, said.

In response to interview requests to City Manager Jim Parajon on the issue of flights and noise from DCA, a statement from Mayor Justin Wilson was sent instead via email:

"The City of Alexandria in partnership with Fairfax County, Virginia and Prince George's County, Maryland, have hired a consultant to as-

sist the three jurisdictions that are south of Ronald Reagan National Airport, to evaluate potential mitigation measures to try and reduce the noise impact from aircraft arriving and departing National Airport. The consultant will be working with staff and citizen representatives of the Metropolitan Washington Reagan National Airport Aircraft Noise Community Working Group to develop recommendations with the goal of reducing noise levels in all three jurisdictions. This process will take approximately 12 to 18 months."

Concerns associated with aircraft noise in the city can be addressed to the Airport Authority's Noise Information Office. flyreagan.com/about-airport/dca-reagan-national-aircraft-noise-information

The path forward

Almost everyone the Times spoke with for this story emphasized that protecting Al-

exandria residents from the unwanted effects of airplane noise depends on persistent resistance to more flights at DCA, paired with an effort to redirect more air traffic to Dulles and BWI.

Recent infrastructure improvements in the DMV should help with the latter, as Metro's Silver Line project was completed on Nov. 5, 2022, directly connecting Washington to Dulles airport.

Jeck also encouraged residents to continue raising the issue and advocating for changes.

"Additional flights equal more noise. When citizens engage on this issue, it has more impact with officials," Jeck advised.

Because Congress must pass a FAA reauthorization bill every five years, the issue of possible additional slots at DCA is a perpetual provision.

"This is a fight we will have again and again," Beyer lamented.

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Obituary

Gregory Bruce English

Gregory Bruce English, 76, passed away on July 12, 2023 after a life full of travel, commitment to his health by working out and dedication to the law.

Known for his quick wit and love of people, Greg relished learning greetings in over 20 languages during his travels to 49 countries. His favorite destinations included Kenya, India, Russia and Nepal, where he found it fascinating to ride elephants in Chitwan National Park.

Born in Lynchburg, Virginia in 1946, Greg considered his time training as a Marine at Parris Island one of the toughest and most formative experiences of his life. After serving in the Marine Corps Reserves, Greg attended the University of Virginia School of Law graduating in 1973. He began his legal career prosecuting cases as a captain in the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General's Corps, followed by serving in Okinawa. Thereafter, he was selected to represent the government in appellate work in Washington, D.C. Greg maintained membership in the U.S. Army as a member of the National Guard, retiring in 1992 as a Lieutenant Colonel and Chief Legal Officer to the D.C. National Guard. He was awarded numerous military awards and deco-



Greg was an avid and lifelong sports fan, first of the Washington Commanders (nee Redskins) and, upon enrolling at Virginia, all UVA sports teams, but most especially basketball. He supported Virginia teams for more than 50 years and was quick to share his enthusiasm with fellow grads, friends and even Duke and North Carolina fans.

Above all, Greg cherished the life he built with his wife Sandra. They shared a passion for immersing themselves in diverse cultures during their travels together. For many years they also sponsored foreign exchange officers from countries around the world fostering lifelong friendships. Greg was dedicated to passing his sense of exploration and care for others on to younger generations. He often brought along his grandson on trips overseas, helping shape his worldview.

Greg lived life to the fullest, with an insatiable curiosity towards people and ideas. His readiness with a joke and a story will be deeply missed by all who knew him. He is survived by his wife Sandra English Prince and son Erik Todd English.

Arrangements for his burial at Arlington National Cemetery are pending.

rations. After his discharge from the Army, he joined the D.C. Army National Guard where he was senior legal officer.

Greg later joined the Department of Justice as a senior trial attorney focused on prosecuting major drug trafficking organizations. Known for his innovative spirit, he pioneered the use of joint agency task forces and aggressive prosecution tactics to combat kingpins. In private practice he was board certified in Virginia, Maryland and primarily Federal court in the District of Columbia.

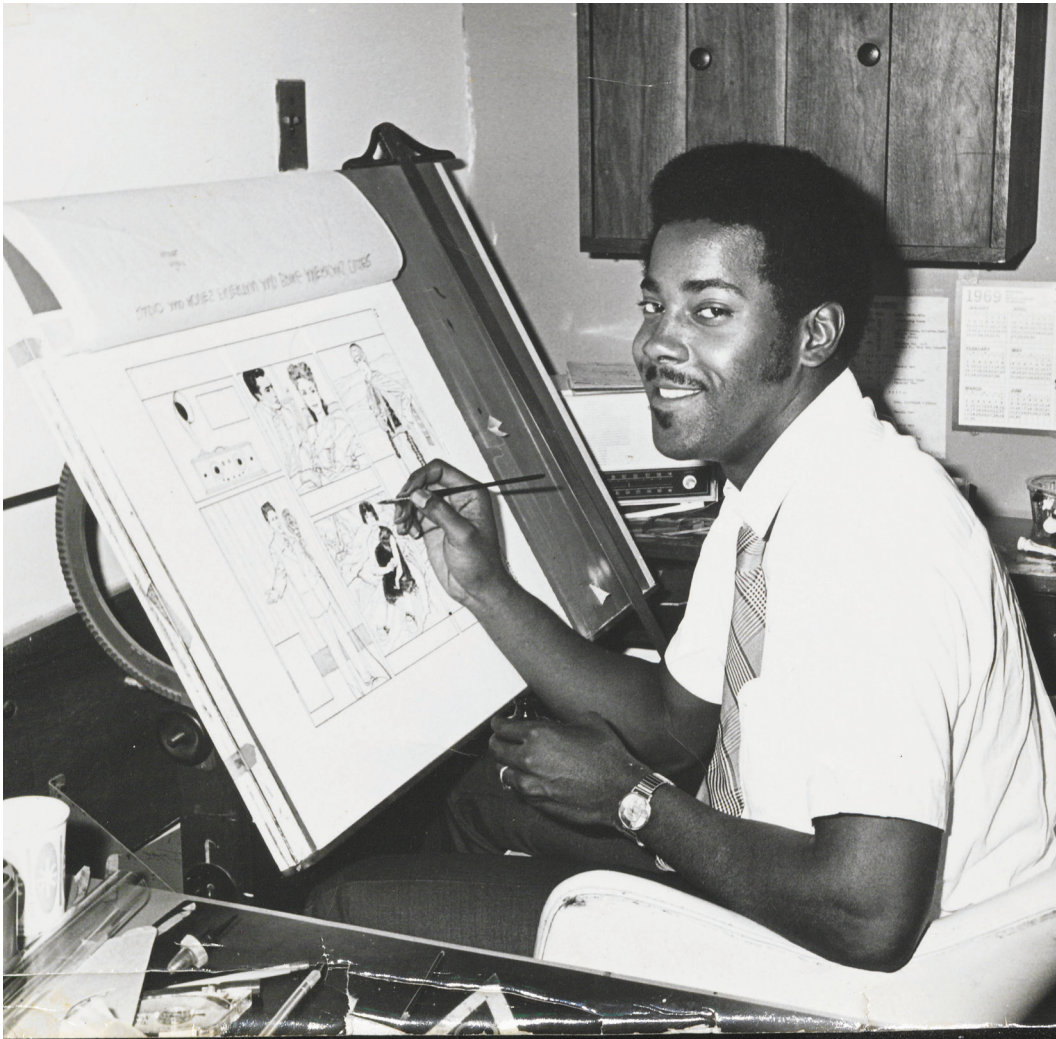
Though proud of this work, Greg was most proud of his subsequent career defending the disadvantaged as a criminal defense attorney in Alexandria. He will be remembered for his commitment to justice and providing the best defense for even the most infamous clients.



Reagan National Airport.

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The Other Alexandria



PHOTO/CHARLES J. LYLES' COLLECTION

Charles Lyles at work in 1970.

Finding a new path

An accident that changed Charles Jerome Lyles' life

BY CHAR MCCARGO BAH

Landing a track scholarship in the 1960s was almost inevitable for Charles Lyles until an accident ended his dream.

Born in 1945 at Columbia Hospital for Women in Wash-

ington, D.C., Lyles and his parents, Calvin Sr. and Mary Burke Lyles, lived at 316 Hopkins Court with his two siblings. They moved to 613 S. Saint Asaph St. in 1952 where they lived until his parents purchased a house in Prince George's, Maryland.

While living in Maryland, Lyles attended Fairmont

Heights High School, a segregated school for Black children in grades 7th through 12th. Lyles joined the track team where his coach noticed his incredible speed in the 100-yard dash.

Following his parents' divorce, Lyles' mother returned to Alexandria to be close to her job at Cameron Station and to

be near the support of family and friends living in the area. Before Lyles left Fairmont, his coach promised him a track scholarship for college if he ever returned.

While living with his mother, Lyles entered Parker-Gray School as a 9th grader and immediately joined the track team. The coach at his new school took notice of Lyles immediately. Parker-Gray was scheduled to close as a high school in 1965, so Lyles intended to return to Fairmont and pursue his dreams of a collegiate track scholarship.

Unfortunately, his life took an unexpected turn.

During a family hunting trip in Maryland, Lyles, who was an inexperienced hunter, accidentally shot himself in the left arm. Without the full use of both arms to build and maintain momentum during the 100-yard dash, Lyles was no longer able to achieve and maintain his exceptional speed. Dreams of a scholarship vanished.

After graduating in 1965, Lyles sought an opportunity to advance his life in another way. Because of his injured arm, he was unable to serve in the armed forces. Instead, he enlisted in the Job Corps to enhance his professional prospects. Through the Job Corps, Lyles was able to pursue a variety of classes.

His first educational opportunity was an eight-hour commercial art and fine painting class. Next came a three-year study program at the Corcoran School of Arts and Design in D.C. With his considerable arts

and design training, he landed a job as an American history artist focusing on ethnic art with a private company.

In 1973, Lyles began work at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. He served as an art director for the United States Customs. He transitioned to the Department of Justice and worked for the Drug and Enforcement Administration as an art director. While at the DEA, he enrolled in a computer graphics course at the Department of Commerce.

After completing the training, he introduced computer graphics to DEA, which garnered Lyles a promotion and an award for his efforts.

Until his retirement in 2015, he continued studying his craft while taking classes at Yale University. Lyles was the recipient of several awards, including the United States NAGC Blue Pencil Competition, where he won second place for a publication titled "Drugs of Abuse" in 1998 which was a distinction among submissions across the entire catalog of the federal government's publications.

An unfortunate incident in Lyles' life opened another door to him. He excelled in the commercial arts and was able to retire at the top of his field. The life of Lyles, who still lives in Alexandria, exemplifies why one should never give up – and also the value of education.

The writer is an author, independent historian, investigative/genealogist researcher and a Living Legend of Alexandria. Her blog is <http://www.theotheralexandria.com>.

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Enjoy your getaway; keep home fires at bay

Important safety steps to protect your home and rentals

BY BRANDPOINT

Are you getting ready for the end of summer vacation? No matter what type of trip you have planned, you want all your memories to be positive ones. That's why it's important to prepare your home for when you're gone and to be safe wherever you are going. One important item that should be on your to-do list both before you leave and when you arrive is fire safety.

The experts at the Fire Safety Research Institute agree there are ways to help prevent and reduce damage to homes even while you're away, as well as protect yourself and loved ones wherever you are going by following these steps.



PHOTO/YOSUKE OTA

Smoke alarms should be installed in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area and on every level of the home, including the basement.

Smoke alarms

Smoke alarms give the earliest possible warning that there is a fire, giving house sit-

ters or neighbors time to get out quickly and safely. Smoke alarms should be installed in every sleeping room, outside

each separate sleeping area and on every level of the home, including the basement.

Whether in your home

or vacation rental, testing a smoke alarm is simple. Locate the test button on the device and press it. You should hear a very loud beep if it's working properly. If there is no sound or a weak sound, replace the batteries and test again. If it is a sealed-battery alarm, you'll need to replace the whole device.

In general, smoke alarms should be tested at least twice per year, but it's always a good habit to check them before leaving for a vacation.

Close all doors

Before you leave on your trip, close all the doors inside your home. Closed doors are an effective barrier between smoke and flame, keeping the people and property behind them safer. Closed doors can

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HOME OF THE WEEK



COURTESY PHOTOS

Left: Charming front porch greets you to this gorgeous new home. **Middle:** Open living room with fireplace and dining room with access to the porch and yard. **Right:** The gourmet chef and everyday cook will feel right at home in the dream kitchen.

Spectacular new construction with guest house

The charming front porch welcomes you. Newly built from the ground up in 2023.

Experience the easy flow and enjoy the gourmet kitchen, open living room, dining room and a main level office with a full bathroom.

The kitchen is a chef's dream with double ovens, a six-burner gas range, oversized island and apron sink. The

gourmet chef and everyday cook will feel right at home.

Enjoy entertaining in the open concept living and dining room with access to the spacious screened porch.

Head upstairs to four bedrooms with three full baths. The primary suite features vaulted ceilings, a walk-in closet with built-in dresser and a primary bath.

The lower level has soaring ceilings and plenty of space including a bedroom with a full bathroom and a large recreation room with an attached game room or playroom. Additional storage, closets with built-ins and a gym area complete the space.

Outside there is a lovely accessory dwelling unit/guest house that features a kitchen,

living area, bedroom and full bathroom.

This home is only a few steps away from "The Avenue." Leave your car in the driveway and walk to the great shops and dining in Del Ray. Minutes to the Metro, Old Town, I-395, Reagan National Airport and D.C.

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AT A GLANCE

Address: 317 E. Howell

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Neighborhood: Del Ray

Price: \$2,275,000

Bedrooms: 6

Bathrooms: 5 full baths

Year built: 2023

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McEneaney Associates

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jen@jenwalker.com

703-675-1566

AUGUST 10



GARDEN STORYTIME

Enjoy a beautiful outdoor garden. Stories, songs and movement. Infants through age 5 with an adult present are welcome. Free.

Time: 10:30 to 11 a.m.
Location: 5005 Duke St.
Information: alexlibraryva.org/event/8511312

AUGUST 12



SIDEWALK SALE

One of the longest running seasonal summer shopping events. Shop small. Featuring dozens of boutiques. Deep discounts.

Time: Varied
Location: Old Town and Del Ray
Information: visitalexandria.com/things-to-do/shopping/sidewalk-sale/

RAINBOW ROCK

Fantastic musical performance. Learn about shapes, colors, movement and more. Free. Children all ages are welcome.

Time: 11 to 11:45 a.m.

Location: 2501 Commonwealth Ave.
Information: alexlibraryva.org/event/8666126

AUGUST 13



BOARD GAME BLISS

Play a variety of games. Classics and new favorites. Bring a friend or make a new one. Teens, adults and seniors are welcome. Free.

Time: 1:30 to 4 p.m.
Location: 4701 Seminary Road
Information: alexlibraryva.org/event/8653312

AUGUST 14



PAWS TO READ

Escape the summer heat. Read to loveable dogs. Registration required. Children in grades 1 through 6 are invited to sign up.

Time: 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Location: 2501 Commonwealth Ave.
Information: alexlibraryva.org/event/8662911

AUGUST 15



STEAM EXPLORERS

Full STEAM ahead. Science, technology, engineering, art and math. Activities to inspire future innovators and problem solvers. Children ages 5 through 8 are welcome.

Time: 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.
Location: 5005 Duke St.
Information: alexlibraryva.org/event/8846706

AUGUST 18



RESTAURANT WEEK

Nearly 70 restaurants will begin offering prix fixe dinners during Alexandria restaurant week.

Time: Varied
Location: Old Town, Del Ray, Carlyle and Eisenhower.
Information: flipsnack.com/BCB58CCC5A8/2023-alexandria-summer-restaurant-week-menu-book/full-view.html

AUGUST 19



BANDS AND BREWS

Come to Del Ray for live music and specials on beer, cocktails and food. Tickets are required. Age

21+ to participate in the bar crawl, but children are welcome at family-friendly establishments. Proceeds will benefit the Friends of Duncan Library.

Time: 12:30 to 6 p.m.
Location: Mt. Vernon Ave.
Information: visitdelray.com

AUGUST 24



RIVER FARM PICNIC

A free event. Open to the public. The American Horticultural Society celebrates 50 years at River Farm. Live music. Guests are encouraged to pack a blanket, food and drink. Enjoy terrific tunes in the beautiful gardens overlooking the Potomac.

AUGUST 26



CULTURAL FOOD FESTIVAL

Travel around the world and experience cuisine and culture from dozens of countries. Family and pet friendly. Free. Rain or shine.
Time: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Location: 100 Madison St.
Information: aroundtheworldfestival.com

FIRE SAFETY

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slow the spread of a fire.

In fact, there can be a 900-degree Fahrenheit temperature difference between a room with an open door and one with a closed door. FSRI testing has shown that a room with an open door may reach 1,000 degrees Fahrenheit during a fire, while a room with a closed door may only reach 100 degrees Fahrenheit.

Make sure house sitters or neighbors checking on your home are also aware of the closed-door best practice. And don't forget to close doors at a vacation rental, also. Sleeping with doors closed or closing doors before leaving is a smart habit no matter where you are.

Create a plan

People staying at or visiting your home while you are on vacation are not as famil-

iar with your property layout as you are. Likewise, you and loved ones are not as familiar with the summer home where you're vacationing. That's why it's wise to proactively map out escape plans for both.

Strive to make three different escape plans and label them A, B and C for visitors. That way if they can't see their way out for escape plan A, they can turn to Plan B. If all routes are blocked, get behind a closed door, turn on the light and dial 911. That's plan C. Remember fire moves fast. Plan ahead to save lives.

Unplug

Fire departments are experiencing an increase of fire incidents involving lithium-ion battery-powered devices like e-mobility devices like e-bikes and electric scooters. Last year, lithium-ion batteries caused 216 fires, 147 injuries and six deaths in New York City.

When you leave this summer, don't leave your lithium-ion battery-powered devices charging. Overcharging can lead to overheating and thermal runaway, which is an uncontrollable self-heating state. Remind visitors to your home to do the same to protect your property and the people and pets within.

To further mitigate this emerging fire risk, always buy products with a battery and battery system that has been safety-tested by a third-party organization like UL Solutions. Also, reference the manufacturer's instructions and ensure your charger is the original product that came with the device.

By following these expert tips, you can better protect your home and anyone in it from the risk of fires and minimize risks while on summer vacation. For more insight and advice, visit FSRI.org.

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Editorial

Not in our air space

It really is OK to be a NIMBY. And pretty much everyone becomes one when something they dislike threatens their quality of life.

That's one takeaway from today's page 1 Times story "U.S. House grounds DCA flight amendment." The frequency of flights into and out of Reagan National Airport, and the noise generated by those constant flights, adversely impacts pretty much everyone who lives in Alexandria.

But almost everyone else in the DMV and the country would benefit from more frequent long flights being available at DCA. Area residents not directly impacted by airplane noise would benefit from the convenience of flights to places not currently served nonstop out of DCA, such as Tulsa, Oklahoma; Albuquerque, New Mexico and Colorado Springs, Colorado – as would residents of those cities who need to travel to Washington, D.C.

There are other fascinating facets to this tussle about whether to add more and longer-distance flights at DCA. One is how self-interest promotes bipartisanship. Thus states thought of as "red," like Texas and Georgia, have joined with one of the "bluest" states, California, in lobbying for the DCA Perimeter Slots Provision, as the amendment that was defeated in the U.S. House of Representatives last month was called.

Another fascinating aspect, also driven by self-interest, is how the various airlines themselves come down on the topic. United Airlines and American Airlines oppose the slots amendment to the Federal Aviation Administration reauthorization bill, while Delta supports it.

Delta's headquarters is in Georgia, which likely explains that state's lobbying efforts for the bill. American Airlines is already the dominant airline at DCA, so adding seven daily round trips of which American only gets one would actually dilute their DCA market share. And United stands to gain more if long-distance flights continue to be mostly from Dulles Airport, which is a main United hub.

Safety is the most compelling reason to oppose additional flights, or ones using larger planes, in and out of DCA. There are already 62 slots per hour for takeoff and landings at the airport, making the main runway at Reagan National the nation's busiest. There is little margin for error on that short main runway before adding more large planes into the mix.

Given how densely populated the area around the airport is, and its proximity to many of our nation's most iconic buildings, a strong argument can be made – and has been made by Alexandrians Rep. Don Beyer and Sen. Mark Warner – that additional and long-distance flights need to be placed at Dulles International or Baltimore-Washington International airports.

There is nothing wrong with being a NIMBY on the issue of noise pollution from DCA. There's also nothing wrong with Alexandria residents opposing redevelopment projects in or near their neighborhoods. The issue – in both cases – is protecting one's quality of life.

Opinion

"Where the press is free and every man is able to read, all is safe."

- Thomas Jefferson

Photo of the Week



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Exercisers by the Potomac River at dawn on a recent Alexandria morning.

Letters

Be aware of summertime SAD

To the editor:

Seasonal affective disorder is a type of depression which is characterized by shifts in mood that are related to the changes in the seasons. While SAD usually brings to mind the winter months with their long, cold days and extended periods of darkness, some people can experience SAD during the summer months.

SAD may present a bit differently depending on the time of year. According to The Mayo Clinic, winter SAD might look more like "hibernating," so sleeping and eating more than usual, gaining weight and withdrawing from usual social activities.

Summer SAD can appear quite the opposite with symptoms including insomnia, appetite loss, weight loss, restlessness and anxiety. It is important to note that people who struggle with major depression or bipolar disorder may be particularly susceptible to seasonal changes and may experience worsening symptoms.

Just as it is a myth that SAD only occurs in win-

ter, it is a myth that suicide rates peak in the holiday season. In fact, according to the CDC's Fatal Injury Trends for 2021, suicide rates began rising in May and were highest in August. It is easy to imagine summer as a happy time full of warmth, fun and vacations, and there is no doubt that many people feel their best at this time of year.

However, with schools out of session and families off their guard for signals that their loved ones may be in crisis, many young people show signs of suicidal ideation that are overlooked. Many of the same symptoms of SAD are commonly associated with warning signs of suicidal thoughts or behaviors.

Since suicide is the second leading cause of death for young people aged 10-24 and suicide rates rise during the summer months, it is vital to be on the lookout for those around you who may be experiencing difficulties with their mental health.

The Jason Foundation, a nationally recognized

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Letters

We must help students become self-disciplined citizens

To the editor:

Amy Will's article identified a crime crisis which is present across the country. Juveniles are committing serious crimes: murder, car jackings, robbery and assault and are frequently armed. The children committing these crimes are school students.

Community engagement with law enforcement is essential but we also must help young people become self disciplined citizens. The public schools are the main socialization instrument in the United States.

Reading below grade level and being disruptive in class are indicators that students are at risk of turning to criminal activity.

Teachers can teach but they need school principals and administrators to take disruptive individuals out of the classroom and give them special assistance in reading and self control. Helping young people while they are still in school is a long-term commitment which will reduce crime in the future.

-Peter A Michel,
Alexandria

“ Teachers can teach but they need school principals and administrators to take disruptive individuals out of the classroom and give them special assistance ... Helping young people while they are still in school is a long-term commitment which will reduce crime in the future.”

- Peter A Michel,
Alexandria Resident

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leader in youth suicide awareness and prevention, provides numerous resources outlining the signs of concern for suicide as well as ways to help friends and loved ones when they show these signs. Additionally, The Jason Foundation strives to reduce the stigma surrounding mental health and suicide. They have developed an awareness campaign called #IWONTBESILENT to encourage these sorts of conversations so no one feels they have to hide away painful feelings.

Creating an environment of openness where people of all

ages feel comfortable confiding in others about their struggles helps prevent unnecessary tragedies. Visit www.iwontbesilent.com to learn how you can get involved and make a difference in your community.

If you or someone you love is struggling with depression or thinking about suicide, there is help available to you. The Suicide & Crisis Lifeline is available 24/7 by calling or texting 988. Trained mental health professionals are available to talk with you and provide you with the resources you need.

-Falon Mansfield,
division director,
The Jason Foundation



Filling in the Blanks

Education creates opportunities

BY MELANIE KAY-WYATT, ED.D.

There is much to look forward to and an abundance of opportunities as Alexandria City Public Schools 2023-24 academic year gets underway. It is exciting to see the division's modernization plans for its school facilities coming to fruition. The doors open for students at the new Douglas MacArthur Elementary School this month on the same site of the original building.

ACPS also continues its work to redefine the high school experience for future generations of Alexandrians with the High School Project. The new Minnie Howard Campus is expected to open for the 2024-25 school year. Upgrades are also planned for other division schools.

I realize the education of our youth is a partnership between the school division, our families, the community, partner organizations and volunteers. This year we are further strengthening our work within the Office of Community Partnerships and Engagement which is vital as it assists in continuing our commitment to support various aspects of our educational ecosystem.

During the last school year, we opened the Family and Community Engagement Center at Ferdinand T. Day Elementary School. This year we will be adding a division-wide Dari-speaking bilingual family liaison in addition to our bilingual Spanish- and Amharic-speaking liaisons. Family engagement blueprints will also be designed and implemented to best serve each school. Strengthening our volunteer program, we will work with our schools to identify needs and collaborate with all stakeholders to best serve our educational community.

ACPS is fortunate to have more than 160 community partners who impact our division from academic to social/emotional, health and wellness. We look forward to strengthening our partnerships including our work with Amazon, which donated more than 2,000 backpacks with supplies for the new school year and with the Virginia Tech Innovation Center, aligning its support with our 2025 Strategic Plan.

Moving toward another year of opportunity through relief funding, title and other grants, our division remains committed to maintaining as well as acquiring grants

which provide funding support. This year we are also continuing our mission to provide no cost after school programming for students who meet the established criteria through the ACPS LINK Club. We are excited about strengthening this program through a strong curricular alignment and professional learning opportunities for all LINK Club and partner staff members.

Our school division is all about family engagement and ParentSquare has proven to be beneficial in helping to streamline and unify communications and open up greater dialogue between our English Learner families and schools. ParentSquare empowers our school community to stay connected and informed and ACPS is looking at additional ways to use this platform as we move forward.

I urge our families to check out our dedicated webpage where Back to School forms can be accessed via ParentSquare for English- and Spanish-speaking families or as a PDF file for others. It is important to fill out or update/verify information to help our schools keep in touch with our families. In addition, families that may qualify for free or reduced-cost meals for their children at school should complete a FARM application as it serves as a crucial tool in determining eligibility for various educational programs and services beyond meals. It is this type of support that plays an essential role in promoting students' overall health, concentration and academic performance.

As superintendent, I eagerly await the return of our students, staff and families to school following their summer break. I encourage all ACPS families to help prepare their children so they come back refreshed and ready to learn.

In embarking on an exciting new school year in the coming weeks, I would like to stress that it begins with positive attendance habits. Being present opens the door to the many opportunities available at ACPS, including instruction, developing social skills and time spent with classmates.

School is where our students learn about the world, themselves and how they can help to further enrich our community. I wish all a great start to the school year.



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An intersection with the past

This picture from 1920 of the intersection of Cameron and North Washington streets gives us a snapshot of both the familiar and the obsolete. As construction crews repave this section of Washington Street, we thought now was a good time to revisit this picture.

Washington Street might not have been one of Alexandria's original streets but is present in a 1791 map of the city by James Dermott. Cameron Street is one of the city's original streets, named to flatter Thomas, Sixth Lord Fairfax, Baron Cameron.

Like the sponsors of the Cameron settlement, the movers and shakers of early Alexandria thought it wouldn't hurt to flatter the wealthiest and most influential man in the county. The original geographic center of Alexandria – and its civic center – was the intersection of Cameron Street with Fairfax Street, also named for Lord Fairfax!

Readers can see familiar landmarks, such as the Christ Church cemetery on the west side of Washington Street. The most prominent building, on the other side of Cameron Street from the cemetery, no longer exists. In its place is an office building owned by the American Correctional Association, which houses the George Mason Post Office.



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A 1920 photo of the intersection of N. Washington and Cameron streets.

Perhaps the most striking thing about this photo is that Washington Street only had two lanes at this section. The George Washington Memorial Parkway did not officially open until 1930, 10 years after this photo.

In 1929, the City of Alexandria and the federal government entered into an agreement leaving control of Washington Street to the city,

but giving the federal government a permanent easement on the street. The easement requires that buildings built along Washington Street maintain certain aesthetic features.

The majority of the trees, including the ones obscuring the historic Lloyd House, have been replaced. A current picture of Washington Street would include many more au-

tomobiles than in the picture, reflecting advances in automotive technology and their importance in life today.

Despite the changes, this intersection is recognizable from this picture, taken more than a century ago.

Out of the Attic is provided by the Office of Historic Alexandria.

Weekly Poll

Last Week

What is your view of mural art, like the image of a woman at King and Alfred streets?

- 47% I love it!
- 40% I'm not a fan.
- 10% I'm not sure.
- 3% What's mural art?

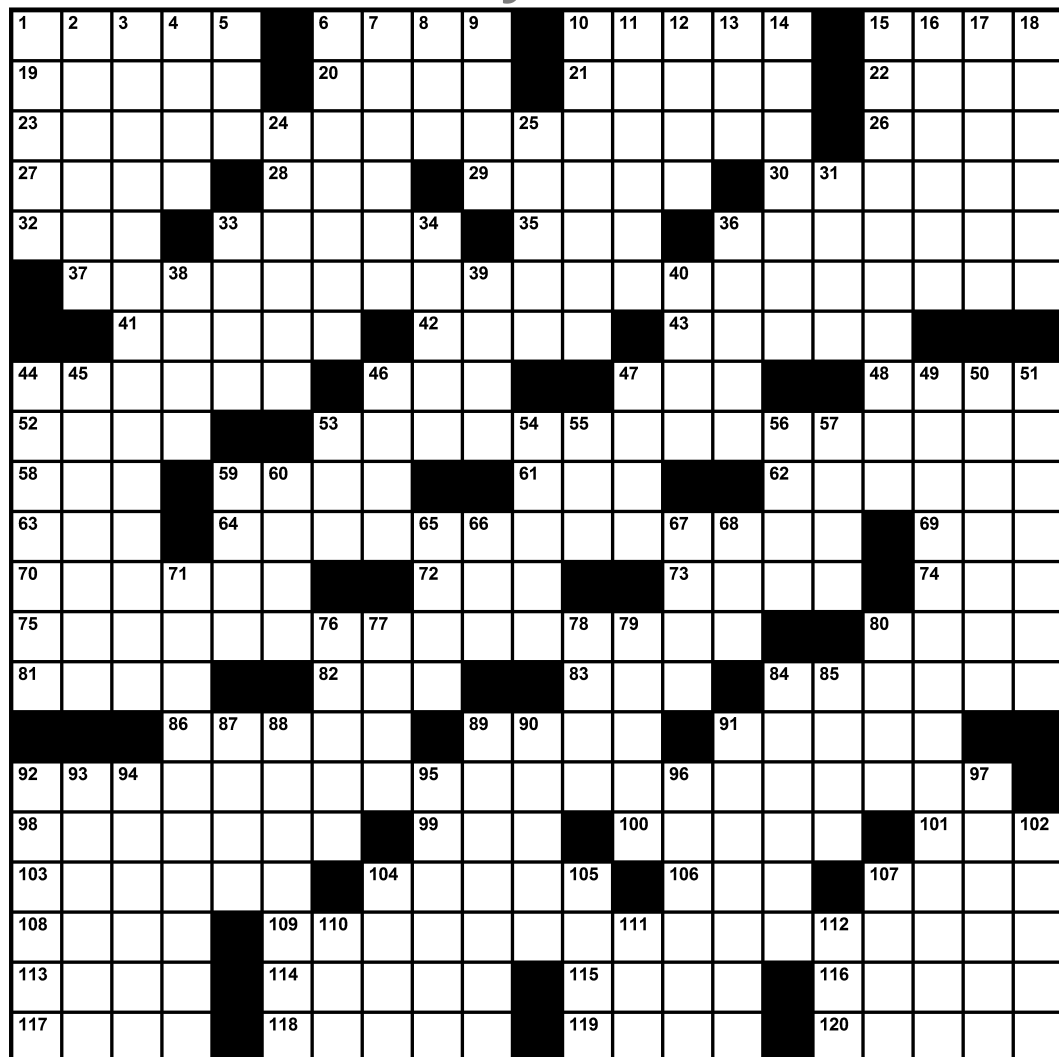
This Week

Take the poll at alextimes.com

How big of an issue for you is airplane noise from Reagan National Airport?

- A) I hate it.
- B) It doesn't bother me that much.
- C) It bothers me sometimes.
- D) I haven't thought about it.

Weekly Words



OFF-BRANDS by Lisa Senzel and Jeff Chen, edited by Jeff Chen

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 - 36 Forked over
 - 37 Peloton: "Our equipment withstands ___!"
 - 41 Itty-bitty
 - 42 "Wowza!"
 - 43 Felonious fire
 - 44 Money charged for money (Abbr.)
 - 46 Stimulating substance, briefly
 - 47 Singer DiFranco
 - 48 Potentially offensive (Abbr.)
 - 52 Castle defense
 - 53 French's: "Our freshness seals
 - 58 Anthem contraction
 - 59 Street speed reducer
 - 61 Charlottesville sch.
 - 62 Become expert in
 - 63 Adrenaline, informally
 - 64 Zoom: "Don't worry about saying stupid things, because
 - 69 A free country
 - 70 Muppet who often sings Beaker's hair
 - 72 "I'll take that as ___"
 - 73 Soothing plant
 - 74 Squealer
 - 75 Petco: "Buy one of our restraints to give your dog ___!"
 - 80 Nicolas of "Pig"
 - 81 French 101 verb
 - 82 Bio or chem
 - 83 Bigwigs in Vogue? (Abbr.)
 - 84 Weighing devices
 - 86 Appliance brand
 - 89 Warm up for a bout
 - 91 Ecosystem
 - 92 Keurig: "Sick of complicated instructions? ___ and buy our simple machines!"
 - 98 Mediator
 - 99 Narrow inlet
 - 100 Tending to ooze
 - 101 Before, in poetry
 - 103 Frankfurter
 - 104 Jazz musician with an Egyptian-inspired name
 - 106 "We ___ All Completely Beside Ourselves" (PEN/Faulkner winner)
 - 107 Surrounded by
 - 108 Pixelated Atari game
 - 109 Formica: "Our countertop is so magnificent, people will ___!"
 - 113 Alan of "Marriage Story"
 - 114 Privileged group
 - 115 Rebuke from Caesar
 - 116 Writer Gertrude
 - 117 Rapper Kanye
 - 118 Blood bank VIP
 - 119 Joyful internet cry
 - 120 Speech therapist's concerns
- DOWN**
- 1 Channel focused on D.C.
 - 2 Aviator Earhart
 - 3 Baseball pro whose mascot is a moose
 - 4 Seltzer lead-in
 - 5 Sneaky
 - 6 The "C" in ASPCA
 - 7 Move like a meteor
 - 8 Suffix for junior's junior
 - 9 Years overseas?
 - 10 Coordinated motion at a stadium
 - 11 Zimbabwe's capital
 - 12 Regrets, big time
 - 13 Sci-fi regulars
 - 14 Amenities for cocktail parties
 - 15 Crumbly breakfast treats
 - 16 Coconut ___ (soy sauce alternative)
 - 17 Chicken hawk Frank
 - 18 Is real, like Santa to some
 - 24 Danish birthplace of Hans Christian Andersen
 - 25 Subject
 - 31 Middle management course? (Abbr.)
 - 33 Take courses?
 - 34 Peace Nobelism Kofi
 - 36 Jewish festival
 - 38 Took off
 - 39 Cake recipe verb
 - 40 Bad reviews
 - 44 One-celled beings
 - 45 Straightforward soccer kick
 - 46 Nightclub in a Manilow song
 - 47 "Stat!"
 - 49 Cats and dogs, supposedly
 - 50 Portend
 - 51 Bank info of interest
 - 53 "Somebody come get this man / I think he got lost in my ___" (Lizzo lyric)
 - 54 Stage, as a play
 - 55 NYC's Park or Madison
 - 56 "Yeah, I'll pass"
 - 57 Fill up
 - 59 Actress Jessica
 - 60 ___ Reader
 - 65 When doubled, a Hawaiian fish
 - 66 Hasbro card game
 - 67 Blockheads
 - 68 ___-de-France
 - 71 Insulting profanely
 - 76 "Up" voice actor Ed
 - 77 "The Lion King" villain
 - 78 Fall faller
 - 79 Elba of "Luther"
 - 80 Sleeveless top, for short
 - 84 Coffee taster, at times
 - 85 Senator Booker
 - 87 Speck
 - 88 Warded off
 - 89 More polished
 - 90 Rush drummer Neil
 - 91 Result of too many six-packs, ironically
 - 92 Tropical fruit tree
 - 93 Baltimore pro
 - 94 Some sink traps
 - 95 Not betraying
 - 96 Not far from
 - 97 Three-sided beef cut
 - 102 Utopias
 - 104 Fruit peel
 - 105 Not many
 - 107 Against
 - 110 Telefono greeting
 - 111 Sioux speaker
 - 112 Subj. at Gallaudet

DEATH NOTICES

JOHN DALE (74),

of Alexandria, July 25, 2023

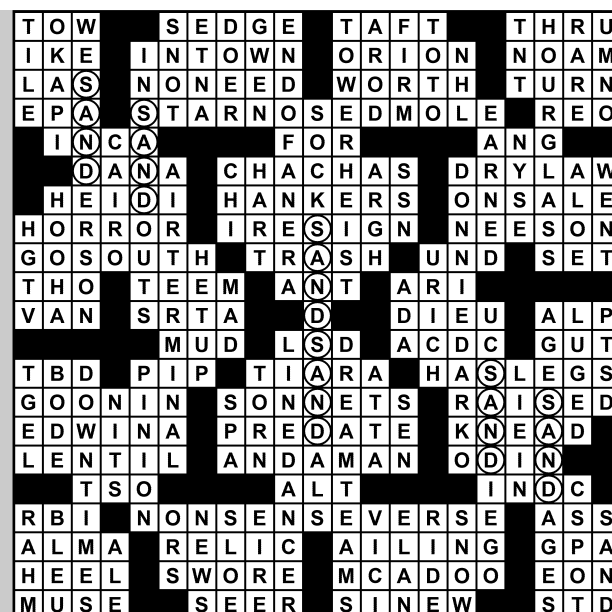
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(Trade Name)

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(Exact street address of where business will trade)

Alexandria
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(trade name)

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Alexandria
(city/town)

VA, 22301-1313
(county) (state) (zip + 4)

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(Type(s) of license(s) applied for)

to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

Abderrahim (Rayan) Moussaif, Owner
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