Yes to Parking, Bike Lanes on Sherwood Hall

By STEVE HUNT
Staff Writer
At a packed meeting last month, many residents along Sherwood Hall Lane expressed their strong opposition to elimination of on-street parking between Fort Hunt Road and Parkers Lane.

Under a proposed plan presented by the Virginia Department of Transportation, the parking lanes would have been removed and become bicycle lanes, with a center turn lane.

Friday, VDOT announced that residential parking will be maintained.

In response to overwhelming public comments, all on-street parking will be retained between Parkers Lane and Fort Hunt Road, with only minor adjustments to on-street parking west of Parkers Lane, according to VDOT spokesperson Joan Morris.

However, there were also some at that meeting at the Mount Vernon Governmental Center who advocated for bike lanes, and VDOT listened to them as well.

So, the end result is that when Sherwood Hall Lane is repaved by VDOT in June, the road will be restriped to include a six-foot parking lane, a five-foot bike lane, and a 11-foot travel lane in each direction.

Bike lanes will be added in both directions from Fordson Road to Fort Hunt Road -- a distance of about 1.5 miles. As the street is not wide enough for bike lanes in the one-block 450-foot segment from Holland Road to Parkers Lane, shared-lane markings, known as “sharrows,” will be installed to let cyclists and motorists know that bikes will share the travel lane with motorists, according to Morris.

Left-turn lanes will also be added on Sherwood Hall at Fordson Road, significantly improving safety and traffic operations, according to Morris. The intersection will also be configured to allow a future crosswalk across Sherwood Hall. The crosswalk will be implemented in the next year, once traffic signal modifications can be scheduled.

The public outreach also identified a community interest in marked crosswalks across Sherwood Hall between Parkers and Fort Hunt and VDOT is working with the community and other agencies to address this concern independent of the paving project, according to Morris.

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Equestrian Center to Open Saturday

It stands in the shadow of the old dairy barn at Lorton Reformatory, but the newly completed Laurel Hill Equestrian Center “holds nothing but promise for a bright future,” notes the Fairfax County Park Authority.

On Saturday, April 26, at 10 a.m. the FCPA will host a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the first phase of the new facility which includes a ring and parking. Participants in the ceremony include park authority board member Linwood Gorham (Mount Vernon), and representatives from the equestrian community — Beverly Dickerson and Jean Voss — as well as the executive director of the park foundation Roberta Longworth.

The public is invited to attend the brief ceremonies, which will be followed by assorted equestrian demonstrations including musical freestyle, western reining, vaulting and jumping. Pony rides will also be available. Activities will be held until noon. Light refreshments will be served.

The facility is owned by the FCPA, however the project was completed in partnership with the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, the park authority board, the county park foundation board and Fairfax4Horses.

The project cost $907,000 to complete and included the demolition of the old dairy barn. Activities will be held until noon. Light refreshments will be served.

Pets of the Week

Gretta is a spayed female, tan and white Pit Bull Terrier believed to be about 5 years old. Gretta is a very smart dog and knows many tricks, and also has wonderful manners. She would enjoy a family to snuggle with and go on leisurely walks through the neighborhood. Thanks to a generous sponsor her adoption fees have been waived through the Adopt-It-Forward program. For more information, call the AWLA and ask for information about animal ID number A029845.

Solomon is a neutered male, gray and white Domestic Shorthair believed to be about 7 years old. For more information, call the AWLA and ask for information about animal ID number A028742.

Bane is a neutered male, brown and tan Pit Bull Terrier who is believed to be about 2 years old. Bane is a happy-go-lucky guy and one of the most handsome dogs at the shelter. He loves going outside for runs and playing a game of fetch. For more information, call the AWLA and ask for information about animal ID number A028742.

Tom is a neutered male, flame point Siamese whose age is unknown. For more information, call the AWLA and ask for information about animal ID number A028742.
New Bike Lanes Approved for Sherwood Hall Lane

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The $474,000 paving project is being funded by VDOT. Fairfax County prepared and funded design plans. Paving and striping will take about a month to complete, weather permitting.

Del. Scott Surovell (D-44th) told the Voice that VDOT wants to restrip the road due to increased traffic and illegal driving behavior such as speeding and improper passing.

“The plan represents a compromise between the interests of the residents of the road, multimodal transportation advocates, and safety concerns,” Surovell said.

He noted that the county’s comprehensive plan and bicycle plan have shown bike lanes on Sherwood Hall Lane for decades.

“I am pleased that this is being implemented as we move towards a more multimodal transportation system that encourages people to move by means other than automobiles,” Surovell said.

State Sen. Toddie Puller (D-36th) is glad that the county and VDOT listened to the people in the community and worked with them to come up with an adjusted plan that everyone seems pleased with.

Surovell also pointed out that the process brought to officials’ attention the urgent need for crosswalks on Sherwood Hall Lane for students at Hollin Meadows Elementary School and pedestrians in the vicinity of the Sherwood Regional Library.

“That should be the next order of business on Sherwood Hall Lane,” he said.
COMMUNITY NOTES

Hollin Hall Sr.Center
Flea Market April 26

The Hollin Hall Senior Center Advisory Council will hold a flea market Saturday, April 26, from 8 a.m. to noon at the center, located at 1500 Shenandoah Road.

Proceeds will benefit programs at the shelter.

Lorton HealthPlex
Anniversary April 26

Inova HealthPlex — Lorton will celebrate its first anniversary “Celebrating the Health and Safety of Our Community” on Saturday, April 26, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the HealthPlex located at 9321 Sanger St.

The free event for the whole family includes health screenings — blood pressure, body mass index and weight screenings, and kids activities including an inflatable obstacle course, face painting and more. (Rain date is Saturday, May 3.)

See Raptors Up
Close April 26

The Friends of Dyke Marsh, the Raptor Conservancy of Virginia and the National Park Service will sponsor “Raptor Rapture — Earth Day” on Saturday, April 26 from 10 a.m. to noon at Belle Haven Park near the Mount Vernon bike trail.

The event will provide the opportunity to see raptors up close, birds of prey who have been rehabilitated but cannot survive on their own.

Westgrove Dog Park
Cleanup on Saturday

Westgrove Dog Park PACK is organizing a clean-up of Westgrove Park, 6801 Fort Hunt Road, and starting a fundraising campaign this Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon. Coffee and doughnuts will be provided at 9 a.m. and sandwiches donated by Primos at noon.

Pohick Church Civil War Marker Dedication Sat.

Pohick Church Civil War Balloon Outpost Virginia Civil War Trails Marker dedication ceremony will be held Saturday, April 26, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Pohick Episcopal Church, 9301 Richmond Highway, in Lorton.

The ceremony will include speakers on the balloon ascent by Professor Thaddeus Lowe for Union observation of Confederate positions, and the damage by encamped troops at the historic church of George Washington, where graffiti is still visible. A reception will follow the dedication. Tours of the church will be given before and after the ceremony. The event is sponsored by Pohick Church, the Fairfax County History Commission, the Lorton Heritage Society, and Visit Fairfax.

SpringFest Fairfax
in Lorton April 26

SpringFest Fairfax will be held Saturday, April 26, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, in Lorton.

The event will include Reptiles Alive! at 10:30 a.m., Billy B at 11:15 a.m., the Friends of Trees Awards and Earth Day/Arbor Day Proclamation at noon, Under the Sea at 1 p.m., Birds of Prey at 2 p.m., and Billy B at 3 p.m. on the main stage.

Other activities on the quad include an Urban Forestry Workshop “How NOT to Kill Your Tree” best practices for keeping your trees healthy and strong at 10:15 a.m., face painting, balloon animals and art, pony rides as well as the opportunity to visit open Workhouse studios and the the Workhouse museum.

Throughout the day there will be plant sales, a climbing wall, live animals, Polar Ice Cap Bounce Obstacle Course, environmental exhibits and vendors and a food court.

SpringFest is produced by Clean Fairfax.

St. Hunt Park
Field Day Sun.

The Friends of Fort Hunt Park, the National Parks Conservation Association and the National Park Service will host a field day at the park at the George Washington Memorial Parkway and Fort Hunt Road on Sunday, April 27, from 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The event will include a trash cleanup, invasive plant removal and restoration of the four historic artillery batteries. To RSVP contact Ed Steriell at esteriell@npsca.org or 202-454-3339.

CRIME LOG

The following incidents were reported by the Mount Vernon District Station of the Fairfax County Police Department for the period April 16 — 22.

ROBBERIES

*Sacramento Drive/Village Green Court — April 13, 2:20 a.m. Two men were walking when three suspects approached them. The suspects assaulted and took cash from the victims. The victims were transported to a local hospital with non-life threatening injuries. The suspects were described as black males.

*Camelia Drive 2800 block — April 12, 11:30 p.m. Two men were walking when five to six suspects approached them. Several suspects displayed handguns and assaulted the victims. The suspects took cash and property from the victims and fled on foot. The victims received non-life threatening injuries. The suspects were described as black males.

BURGLARY

*Vernon Square Drive 7500 block — April 21. A resident reported someone entered the residence and took property.

LARCENIES

*7700 block of Richmond Highway, personal items from business
*3500 block of Stephens Church, book bag from business
*7400 block of Vernon Square Drive, money from business
*7000 block of Canterbury Lane, handgun from vehicle
*5400 block of Claymont Drive, license plate from vehicle
*3300 block of Lockheed Boulevard, wallet from residence
*6300 block of Richmond Highway, headphones from business
*8600 block of Richmond Highway, liquor from business
*7900 block of Audubon Avenue, items from residence
*7700 block of Richmond Highway, wallet from business
*7900 block of Richmond Highway, merchandise from business
*8000 block of Richmond Highway, liquor from business

STOLEN VEHICLES

*7100 block of Richmond Highway, Chrysler 200
*400 block of Buckman Road, 2000 Chrysler
*3700 block of Rolling Hills Avenue, Chrysler Cirrus
*3700 block of Rolling Hills Avenue, 1999 Dodge Caravan
*3700 block of Rolling Hills Avenue, 1998 Plymouth Voyager

LARCENIES

*10900 block of Belmont Boulevard, purse from vehicle
*7500 block of Bollsam Court, tools from vehicle
*6300 block of Gravel Avenue, GPS from vehicle
*7200 block of Little River Turnpike, purse from business
*7700 block of Milford Haven Drive, property from residence
*6500 block of Morning Meadow Drive, purse from vehicle
*8900 block of Waites Way, tool from vehicle
*6900 block of Bradlick Shopping Center, wallet from location
*6200 block of Edsall Road, property from residence
*3800 block of Kings Towne Center, cell phone from business
*4100 block of Franconia Road, purses from vehicles
*5600 block of General Washington Drive, license plate from vehicle
*7600 block of Loisdale Road, tools from construction site
*4400 block of Roundhill Road, laptop from residence

STOLEN VEHICLES

*7400 block of Whenside Street, 1996 Dodge Caravan
*6000 block of Burdon Court, 2008 Suzuki Colt

Penn Daw Area Bank Robbed

Around 1:45 p.m. on Friday, a man entered the Wells Fargo Bank branch at 6300 Richmond Highway, implied that he had a weapon and demanded money, Fairfax County police reported.

He fled with cash. No one was injured.

The perpetrator is described as an unknown race, approximately six feet tall and weighing about 200 pounds. He was wearing sunglasses, a gray hoodie and black pants.

Anyone with information is asked to call Crime Solvers at 1-866-411-8477 or call police at 703-691-2131.

— FCPD report

April 23, 2014

MOUNT VERNON VOICE
What We Think

Do you support Medicaid expansion in Virginia?

By Mary Paden

Michael Webster
Bucknell Manor
“I think we should expand Medicaid in the state of Virginia. We should also expand it nationwide.”

Thomas Bickett
Bucknell Manor
“We should expand it paired with other initiatives such as education for patients about healthy behaviors.”

Don Johnson
Belle Haven
“Medicaid should pay the doctors more. Many of them won’t take Medicaid patients because the fees are too low. After that it would be okay to expand it.”

Robert McLean
Belleview
“Yes, but we really should have a single payer system.”

Charles Hayes
Alexandria
“Yes I do! I am 38 and I worked all my life until I had a car accident. Now I can’t work a regular job but the state keeps denying me Medicaid and other benefits.”

Sam Baidoo
Duke Drive
“Yes, why not? It is a great idea. People are struggling to make ends meet. It would be wonderful.”

What:
A free event with lots to do for the entire family!
• Kids ID – provided by Fairfax County Sheriff Department
• Health Screenings – Blood Pressure, Body Mass Index and Weight Screenings
• Health awareness for young and old
• Safety Wheel (what every child should know)
• Northern Virginia Healthy Kids Coalition
• Kids activities - t-shirt coloring station, inflatable obstacle course, face painting, Moon Bounce and much, much more!
• FREE Hot Dogs and Beverages

When:
Saturday, April 26
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
(Rain date Saturday, May 3)

Where:
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For more information about Inova HealthPlex - Lorton, visit www.inova.org/lortonhealthplex
Mason Neck State Park held its annual Eagle Festival Saturday attracting visitors of all ages from all over the metro area to see displays from local and national environmental organizations, enjoy activities for children, view live raptors and reptiles, take a nature/bird walk with representatives from the Audubon Society, enjoy food and drinks available from the Mason Neck Lions Club and listen to country music.

Numerous local and national environmental organizations had displays and activities for kids.

In photos, clockwise from above, attendees listen to the music of the Anthony James Band; kids take pony rides; a family partakes of a picnic; and a juggler entertains the kids.

Visitors got an up-close and personal look at a hawk.

The Fairfax County Department of Wastewater Management offered kids the opportunity to have their own plants.

A young Scout tries to see how high he can jump.

A hawk eyes the crowd.

Mason Neck Eagle Festival Draws a Large Crowd
Spoil Yourself at Salamander Resort & Spa

By MARLENE MILLER
Staff Writer

Salamander Resort knows how to spoil its guests.
Every employee offers a friendly greeting starting with Director of Rooms Gemma Brown who personally led us to our beautifully appointed accommodation complete with fresh cut flowers, a fireplace (do ask for this option when you made your reservation) and private balcony.
Her warmth is shared by every other employee we dealt with.
Our horseback trail guide had the patience of a saint with this beginning rider.
Chef Nick, the cooking class instructor was amusing and instructive.
The spa personnel, under director Penny Kriel, went the extra mile with requests.
The only problem with Salamander is that they make it too hard to leave and return to the real world of work and stress.
For our latest travel article, my daughter Natalie and I decided to stay a little closer to home than our normal African jaunts.
We traveled the little over an hour west to Middleburg to Salamander Resort and Spa. It was our second visit. Our first, soon after its opening last year, had a few glitches so we decided to give it a another try and we are delighted to report that all is running as smoothly as anyone could hope.
While we sought out the resort as an adult retreat for a mother and daughter to relax and catch up, [Natalie lives in Africa and} See Salamander Page 10

The equestrian theme is carried out on the balconies.

The Spa offers 14 deluxe treatment rooms and many other amenities.

“The Chef Nick” conducted a cooking class on specialties of Italy’s Amalfi Coast.

The library offers thousands of books and many comfortable corners to relax in.

Photos/Natalie Miller

The author, second from right, and her daughter Natalie, left, met Salamander creator Sheila Johnson, second from left, and Prem Devadas, President of Salamander Hotels and Resorts, at their earlier visit last October. At right, the grand lawn features a giant chess set, outdoor fire pits and more.
New Films Feature Kids, Vampires

BY MICHAEL CASTLEBERRY
Contributing Writer

There are some film staples that are just so very, very good that they’ve been apart of cinema history since the very early days. Kids, for example. They warm skilled actors (like Wallace Beery in The Champ) to avoid cute types like Jackie Cooper — they’ll steal the audience’s heart and leave you as a minor co-star just by dint of a few tears. And then there was Shirley Temple — she out-dazzled some of Hollywood’s brightest talents. And boy could she tap dance!

Then there was the vampire flock. From Nosferatu to Bela Lugosi in all of those ‘I-want-to-drink-your-blood’ films in the thirties, we’ve all been suckers for vampire movies (get it, suckers for vampire?) And Robert Pattinson is nothing but a modern-day Lugosi in all of those Twilight movies.

This week brings an example of both. Only Lovers Left Alive is the vampire offering and Heaven Is For Real restates the rule that a good actor should never, ever appear in a flick with a cute kid! Here is a brief summary of each to see if they appeal to your cinematic tastes.

Heaven Is For Real: Mr. Movie is a sucker for kids in movies and this one has a corkscrew of a kid. He is Connor Curran and he plays Todd Burpo, the young son of a mid-western fundamentalist minister who has emergency surgery — and who comes out of the ether believing that he’s had an ‘heavenly’ experience. As a minister, this goes into areas of faith and belief that will impact his faith, his church, and, eventually, his community.

This is a film that they don’t make anymore (except they just did!). It’s simple, relaxed, engaging, the actors are quite wonderful, and the story is simply told. There may be a bit too much adult anguishing over the ‘reality’ of Todd’s story but that is what adults do in regard to things they don’t — or won’t — understand. It’s a sweet story, straightforwardly presented, a warm and engaging film. If you’re in the mood to think angelic thoughts then Heaven Is For Real is for you.

Only Lovers Left Alive: Gosh, you can’t get much further from Heaven than Vampires, can you? Film director Jim Jarmusch has a long history of ‘different’ films (Dead Man with the young Johnny Depp is one of my favorites) and since he writes his own screenplays, he usually gets to bring his own ‘vision’ to the screen. He has a stellar cast of Tilda Swinton, Tom Hiddleston, Mia Wasikowska, and another Mr. Movie favorite, Anton Yelchin, and they make for a fine cast of vampires.

Jarmusch films are full of in-jokes and this one is no exception. First you have Adam (Hiddleston) and Eve (Swinton) who have that bored, languid look that vampires get after a millennium or two of just lying about doing what vampires do. Adam is in Detroit of all places and Eve languishes in Tangier but both have that ennui that gets vampires in trouble!

Eve, already three millennia old, has been hanging out with the playwright Kit Marlowe (John Hurt looking as though he doesn’t need make-up for this film). Adam is a guitar junkie and his flunkie (Yelchin) thinks of him as the Hendrix of vampire rock. Eve hears about Adam and, well, let’s just say that the plot thickens, aided significantly by Eve’s younger sister Ava’s arrival (that would be the lovely Wasikowska). Ah! Now the fun can begin!

This is a smart, pretty funny, take on the vampire genre and Jarmusch hams it up pretty nicely. The cast is stellar and he gets enormous mileage from their unique peculiarities and the tensions and attractions between them. And it all happens in Detroit! You’ll be tested by your arcane knowledge of some of the quotations Eve drops but, after all, she knew everyone who ever wrote anything so for her it’s ‘must making conversation’.

Face it, vampire movies are not everyone’s cup of tea and this one is more odd than most but it’s creatively odd and, oddly, quite enjoyable. So if you’re in the mood for a relaxing, enjoyable vampire flick, well, this is your lucky day!

There you have it — two very different stories depending on which way you want to go. There is the Heavenly approach or there is the darker, murkier lair of the oddest assortment of vampires ever seen on film. You decide! Enjoy!

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Task Force to Explore Meals Tax Referendum

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the half-cent increase in the tax rate from $1.085 to $1.09 as “relatively modest.” The increase represents a $25 annual increase in the average taxpayer’s bill — on top of a $330 average increase resulting from rising assessment values, she said.

“This was a very challenging budget,” said Bulova. “Our nation, region and county continue to struggle during these sluggish post-recession years. The good news is that real estate values are beginning to rebound."

At the budget mark-up meeting Tuesday, the board made changes to the advertised budget. Formal adoption is scheduled for April 29.

Also Tuesday, Bulova created a special task force to explore the possibility of putting a meals tax referendum in the county. Mount Vernon Supervisor Gerry Hyland has long been a strong advocate for a meals tax in the county, and the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations recently passed a resolution urging the county to have a referendum on the proposed tax as a way to diversify the county’s income stream.

The task force will be co-chaired by former board chairman Kate Hanley (D) and former board chair and U.S. Rep. Tom Davis (R-11th), and will consist of around 25 local and regional organizations.

Bulova noted that all of the cities and towns around and within Fairfax County have adopted a meals tax.

“Throughout the past few years, there has also been growing sentiment from constituents and organizations for our board to allow voters to decide whether they wish to avail themselves of this additional source of revenue,” she said.

The task force will provide an opportunity for countywide organizations to explore the issue and provide recommendations on whether a meals tax should be put to referendum and, if so, when that should be and how the resulting revenue should be used.

Key stakeholders invited to join the task force include the Fairfax County Council of PTAs, the Alliance for Human Services, the Federation of Citizens Associations, the League of Women Voters, the Republican and Democratic parties, the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce, and the Restaurant Association of Metropolitan Washington.

“It’s ultimately up to the voters to decide if a meals tax is something they would support,” she said.

Regarding the FY 2015 budget, Bulova pointed out that additional pressures facing the county include an increase in Fairfax County Public School student population, increased needs for human services, and county employees who have endured near-stagnant compensation for five years.

The mark up package that was adopted is the result of much hard work by county staff, district budget committees, and the Fairfax County community, she said.

“This is not a ‘great news’ package, but I believe that it is responsible and responsive to the needs of the community and to the uncertain fiscal climate we are operating in,” she said.

Herrity said he is disappointed in the board’s decision to opt for a tax rate increase instead of tough cost reductions.

“This sends the wrong message to taxpayers,” he said, noting that surrounding jurisdictions have reduced tax rates.

“There is something fundamentally wrong when Arlington County can cut a whole penny off their tax rate but Fairfax County cannot,” he said.

Salamanter Options Include Riding, Spa and Cooking

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we don’t have a lot of time together], the resort has proven a draw to families as well and Camp Salamander provides the younger set with a host of special activities.

Pets are not forgotten.

Dogs are welcome and they and their families are given first floor rooms so they can venture right outside to their patio and beyond for walks and exercise.

Horses are warmly welcomed. The resort prides itself on its Equestrian Center which encompasses a 14,000-square foot stable so attractive that the resort often holds Black Tie events there in the evenings; a 28,800 square-foot riding arena and 25 acres of trails.

Riders who bring their own steed can even take yoga classes with them (and on them!).

Even you are just looking for relaxation, there are numerous places to have a quiet moment.

Indoor and outdoor fireplaces abound.

The library is filled with 2,500 books, board games and comfortable seating.

The Gold Cup Lounge has biliards tables as well as couches. And, of course, in warmer weather there is the pool and outdoor jacuzzi.

One unique aspect of the resort is the cooking studio where classes are offered several days a week. They are actually more cooking demonstrations as the hands on element is missing but there is ample opportunity to ask questions and, delightfully, to taste all that is prepared.

Our class on dishes from Italy’s Amalfi Coast featured Cockles Pomodoro, Squid Ink Risotto, Ligurian Red Prawns and Bran- zano.

After cooking class, exercise seemed like a good idea so we took a horseback excursion, a trail ride through the woods and hills. This first-time rider was very proud of her handling of Patrick Starfish though I think Natalie and Whiskey would have enjoyed a brisker ride without mom holding them back.

Then back to the room to relax and get cleaned up for a lovely Passover Dinner in Harriman’s the resort’s main dining room, a special feature offered during four days of the Jewish holiday.

Not only was it delicious but the kitchen graciously accommodated Natalie’s last minute vegetarian request -- mom had forgotten to mention it ahead of time when making the reservation.

The next morning we ordered room service which turned out to involve the setting up of a beautiful, formal table complete with more fresh flowers.

Then off to the spa for a Citrus Drench Wrap for me and a special Spring Awakening Treatment for Natalie which included a facial and a bamboo massage.

When we inquired about a spa lunch, we learned that it is usually served outside (too cold) or in the Fitness Center where Camp Salamander was being held. But the staff insisted on taking our orders and, because the Camp was ending in just half an hour, they set up another lovely table just for us, and two friends of Natalie’s who had come to pick her up, in the fitness area.

Another amenity the hotel offers free to guests is transportation to and from a nearby winery. Because of time restraints, we did not take advantage of this but thought it was a great idea.

Salamander is expensive, a splurge in the true sense of the word and it is large, 168 guest rooms and huge special event spaces. But if you are looking for that special getaway with spouse or friends or family, look no further.
WP’s Snigur Signs to Play College Soccer

West Potomac senior Gregory Snigur has committed to play soccer for La Salle University, a NCAA Division 1 school in the Atlantic 10 Conference. He was admitted to the La Salle Honors Program and plans to study psychology. In addition to receiving an athletic award of $40,000, Snigur was awarded the Christian Brothers’ Scholarship which is the highest academic recognition offered by La Salle University awarding full tuition for four years. He has been a member of the Varsity Soccer team for four years and was named a captain this season. He has played on various travel and elite academy soccer teams in New York, Maryland and Virginia, including the DC United MLS Pre-Academy team, and is a member of the National Honor Society. Pictured, (l to r), Andrew Peck (Head Coach) & Aaron Helmick (DSA), Virginia Iaquinta (Mom) and Gregory Snigur.

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