

August 2022 VLGMA eNews

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Tim's Thoughts

Work/Life Balance??

As summer is quickly slipping by and school will be beginning soon I hope that each of you were able to get away from the office for some relaxation and summer fun.

Strategic Plan Updated to Achieve the VLGMA Purpose

The VLGMA Strategic Plan has been updated to achieve the VLGMA Purpose of strong quality local government professional leadership. Have you read the road map and considered your part of the destination?

Fourth Annual Retirees' Luncheon

Calling all retired VLGMA administrators and managers to the Fourth Annual Retirees' Luncheon - 10/12/22 - Hanover Tavern, Hanover, VA

Civic Engagement - City of Staunton's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Commission

By Leslie Beauregard, Interim City Manager, City of Staunton

It's been almost a year now since Staunton's City Council adopted a motion that established the city's first Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Commission (first name was the Equity and Diversity Commission). It was groundbreaking - not only because it seems rare that it's a Council appointed commission, but how through up front community engagement and a different nominations process than the norm, it evolved into a commission that now comprise of 14 passionate, incredibly diverse and engaged citizens.

Certificate News

Classes Begin!

Classes begin the week of August 22nd, 2022, and our certificate students are excited! Thank you to our adjunct instructors for their service to the next generation this semester: Sara Carter McGuffin and Kim Payne.

Virtual "Balancing Leadership: Personal, Professional, Organizational

There are still spots in our virtual "Balancing Leadership: Personal, Professional, Organizational and Community" on September 13 & 14, 2022.

Encouragement

As you journey here in terrestrial time,
cruising downhill or in the throes of a challenging climb
with so many intersections, it's a toss
whether to keep on truckin' or take the next exit off.

My life road map says left but I'm not sure
if it should be right for the more scenic tour.

What is my purpose and is this the way?
Too weary to care by the end of the day.

It can get kind of scary except for the saving grace
of the presence of an encouraging face.
Guidance to help direct my course
and to keep me aligned with the values of true North.

A stranger, a friend, a parent, a child
who boosts my spirit for that critical mile.
And it always comes as the perfect Godsend
when I can't see the light at the tunnel's end.

The inspiration for the courage to proceed,
En courage ment, a gift of love indeed.



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