It was a record topper! Town folk and guests alike from near and far were in full swing at the Virginia Fall Races at Glenwood this past month. Expansive tailgates, plentiful libations, fabulous fall, floral and fox decorations, it’s the way Middleburgians express the joy and gratitude of being in this precious countryside with friends and family under the sunshine in a cool breeze, mask-less, and able to schmooze away the day. Yes, it’s a lousy Hemingway line, but the smiles were everywhere.

Trainer Neil Morris had a banner day with William Russell’s Animal Kingdom winning the 1st race, a $20,000 Ratings Hurdle, Pathfinder Racing’s Knockholt winning the $25,000 Allowance Hurdle, and MRQ Racing’s Argetic (FR) taking the $10,000 Maiden Claiming Hurdle. Jack Fisher trainees New Member (Ire) took the $15,000 Steeplethon for owners Armata Stables, and Storm Team won the $30,000 NSLM Cup Timber Stakes for Sheila J. Williams.

Kudos go to the race committee, Will O’Keeffe, Punkin Lee, Julie Gomena, Cricket Bedford, Karyn Wilson and Katy Carter, and all the volunteers and staff who work tirelessly for months on one of the town’s favorite events. Thank you!

The Town of Middleburg is reminding its citizens that elections for the Town Council have been moved to November in response to recent state legislation. On November 2, 2021, there will be elections for Governor, Lt. Governor, Attorney General, House of Delegates, Mayor and four Council Members, in addition to County bond referenda. Citizens who reside in Middleburg will be offered a ballot that includes the Mayor and Town Council candidates. A sample can be found at this link or on the Loudoun County General Registrar’s website at http://www.loudoun.gov/vote.

In 2021, the General Assembly passed legislation requiring local elections to be held in November instead of the traditional date in May. After seeking input from the community, the Town Council voted to move its local elections to the November of “odd” years to coincide with state and local elections (instead of coinciding with presidential and federal elections that occur in “even” years).

The Town of Middleburg encourages all registered voters to come to the Town Office on November 2, 2021, from 6:00am – 7:00pm to vote in all of these important elections.

For questions about voting, including early or absentee voting, please contact the Loudoun County Office of Elections at 703-777-0380.

For questions about the Town Council, please contact the Town Office at 540-687-5152.
MIDDLEBURGS’ STATE OF THE TOWN ADDRESS

Mayor Bridge Littleton presented his State of the Town address to the Middleburg community on Wednesday, October 27th, at the Middleburg Community Center.

He addressed the Town’s fiscal health as we emerge from the COVID-19 pandemic, the new Town Hall project, essential infrastructure and planning efforts, and Town operations.

Middleburg’s Fiscal Health

According to the Town’s auditors, the Town saw a “net operating surplus” of more than $960,000 for Fiscal Year 2021. This surplus resulted from higher than expected revenues even during the pandemic and lower expenditures due to the cancellation of town events and programs. The Town’s reserves have a significant amount of cash on hand, which will serve as our fiscal reserve for potential future economic downturns such as we experienced at the outset of the pandemic.

Town Hall Project

The Mayor next discussed the Town Hall project. The Town Council held two in-person and live feed public input sessions in 2021. While also receiving approval from the Historic District Review Committee, Streetscape Committee, and Planning Commission. This project will co-locate the Police and Parking Commission, Historic District Review Committee, economic development, and Planning Commission.

As for funding the project, the Town received a very favorable interest rate recommended by the Strategic Finance Committee – 30 years at a 2.72% fixed rate. The Town is also slated to receive $500,000 from Loudoun County for the project and has been recommended for an additional $2 million in funding from the federal government for this project. The Town hopes to break ground in January 2022 and complete the new building by December 2022.

Infrastructure

Mayor Littleton also discussed other vital projects, such as a fixed rate of return on the 401A district. The Town is also paying for needed water and sewer infrastructure addressing concerns about infill development in the Ridgeway neighborhood through Zoning amendments, and implementing a new street funding and street signage program.

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MIDDLEBURG POLICE: BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

October is breast cancer awareness month. Thanks to Lt. Shaun D. Jones, the department will wear pink badges during October to support breast cancer awareness. “Thanks to all my staff, the town council, and town management for their part in this. Be safe, get checked,” Panbianco said.

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COVID's Impact on College Admission

With thousands of colleges and universities shut down to students due to the pandemic, college admission offices quickly proved to improv

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2020--2021 seasons. They were facing an increase in the number of applications and were not able to provide the same in-person experiences for students. As a result, many colleges and universities began to adopt virtual recruitment practices.

For many years, colleges and universities had been focusing on increasing access, diversity, equity, and inclusion on their campuses. In response to the pandemic, many colleges and universities adopted virtual forums and online events to increase diversity, equity, and inclusion during COVID. Many colleges and universities also saw an increase in the number of applications from underrepresented students.

There were also some changes in the college admission process. Many colleges and universities offered test-optional admission, which means that students were not required to submit standardized test scores. Some colleges and universities also offered testing online, which was a new approach for many institutions.

Despite the challenges posed by the pandemic, college admission offices continued to work towards creating a safe and welcoming environment for students. Many institutions implemented new policies and procedures to ensure the safety of students and staff.

In summary, the pandemic had a significant impact on college admission, and colleges and universities had to adapt to new circumstances. Despite the challenges, there were also some positive changes, such as an increase in diversity and inclusion, and a greater emphasis on access and equity. The future of college admission remains uncertain, but institutions are working to ensure that they can continue to provide the best possible experience for students.
**News of Note**

**Land Trust of Virginia Places Jolee Farminto Conservation Easement**

3 building lots reduced to 1, scenic viewshed preserved

The Land Trust of Virginia (LTV) is pleased to announce that an 87.8 acre property along Snickersville Turnpike in Middleburg, has been placed into permanent conservation easement due to the generosity of property owners Joe Keating and Tiffany Lee.

Both had visited this part of Virginia many times since childhood and, on finally moving here in 2009, they were eager to not only make Middleburg their home but also to ensure the preservation of the qualities that drew them to the area in the first place.

“We found it important to play our part in conserving property in Loudoun County,” said Keating. “We learned about the value of conservation easements while looking for properties in parts of Loudoun County for ourselves and other landowners to take these steps to preserve our finite natural and historical resources.

Monikered using a combination of their names, Jolee Farm is 2.8 miles northwest of Aldie with over half a mile (3,400 feet) of frontage on Snickersville Turnpike, a designated Virginia Scenic Byway. This visually along with its high elevation, made the property an important conservation piece to maintain the scenic agricultural vistas of the surrounding area for all to enjoy. These are other conservation and open-space easements adjacent to Jolee Farm, including one held by LTV at Dresden Farm.

“This is just our first step in protecting and improving the conservation values of our property,” said Lee. We have plans to plant a significant number of trees to increase our forest cover and we hope our friends and family will join us by planting a tree with us when they visit. These trees, planted in their honor, will create special memories over the years.

Partially the site of the Civil War Battle of Aldie, the historical integrity of Jolee Farm has now been protected with a No Build Area where the property coincides with a mapped battlefield. This distinction also allowed for reduction of easement donation costs with the use of LTV’s Defend Whitley Farms Battlefield Stewardship Fund, established in 2009.

“Jolee Farm protects a significant portion of the preserved as you drive along Snickersville Turnpike,” said Sally Price, executive director of LTV. “The public benefit from this easement is undeniable and furthers our mission of play for all ages.

It means so much to JWCL members to be able to support the hospital team members, pediatric patients and their families. Members are happy to help bring some comfort and smiles to children while receiving medical care.

“We are grateful for the continued support and wonderful contribution that the Junior Women’s Club of Loudoun is making to enhance a child’s time in the hospital,” said Emily Phillips, Child Life Specialist, Inova Loudoun Hospital.

The mobile playroom is being purchased from The Oscar Litwak Foundation. The Foundation’s goal is to improve the quality of life for sick children and, while hospitalized by providing entertainment and resources for them to enjoy in their room.

Local woman’s volunteer group, Junior Woman’s Club of Loudoun (JWCL), is donating a second mobile playroom to Inova Loudoun Hospital. JWCL donated the first playroom, a mobile unit on wheels which is fully stocked with toys and activities, in 2018 and has been saving approximately $6,000 for the purpose of purchasing another.

“Playing allows a child to be a child for a moment. We are so happy and grateful that JWCL has the opportunity to provide these moments of play for pediatric patients at Inova Loudoun,” says Francesco Jacobini, former JWCL President.

“It’s time to get out! Enjoy the cooler conditions and take in the Autumn foliage. Our outerwear will keep you cozy and chic from city street to riding path.”

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TAYLOR VOGAN

There is strength in a community that bands together in times of struggle. Recently, Middleburg exhibited this strength through its efforts to help a local resident. Currently, Lieutenant Shawn Jones and Timmy Thorpe are fighting illnesses. In response, those in the community are working to assist them through these difficult times.

Lieutenant Shawn Jones and Timmy Thorpe are well-recognized officers in the Middleburg Police Department. They are valued parts of the community and dedicated in their roles to the families of Middleburg. Lieutenant Shawn Jones is one of the newest members of the police department and is dedicated to making connections in town. A coworker, Chief AJ, reminds that “there is a community the connection that you almost make, and Lieutenant Jones wants to say that he is there for the citizens of Middleburg (Chief AJ). This is due to this connection, Jones is a valuable asset to the middleburg community and active volunteer. However, Jones is currently battling lymphoma. Unfortunately, the doctors first diagnosed Jones, urging him to be treated immediately. After further treatment and second thoughts, he was able to get an accurate diagnosis. Chief AJ, it is evident that this officer has “probably complicated the officers’ lives more” and is having a tough time” (Chief AJ).

Nevertheless, Jones continues to work for the betterment of Middleburg. Timmy Thorpe is the long-serving officer in the Middleburg Police Department. It comes as a surprise that he is taking a leave of absence this year. His dedication to the community is unstainable. Town Council member Christine Conklin terms Thorpe as “one of the most dedicated officers in the community” (Chief AJ). Moving forward, the community wants to continue to raise money for Jones and raise awareness.

Overall, the community of Middleburg has united to show support for Lieutenant Shawn Jones and Timmy Thorpe. These officers have dedicated their lives to the residents of Middleburg and are always available. With this, it is vital to give back to them in times of need. There may be those in the community who are unaware of this situation. Whether you believe in God or good energy, there is something that can be done. Support our local heroes. If you would like to contribute, visit the GoFundMe page or call Mr. Bernard at (703) 543-2456.

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Turnaround Mastermind Offers Guidance for Businesses Seeking to Reinvent or Recover from the Life-Altering Impacts of COVID-19

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fter nearly two years of having bought on by COVID-19 and its myriad negative impacts, businesses are seeking guidance for redirection and recovery. Customers have shifted purchasing behaviors, staff has turned over, markets have changed, and hybrid working models continue to challenge. Lisa Gable’s experience in leading organizations in times of dramatic change is brought to life in her new book Turnaround Mastermind (Hachette Publishing). The book provides audiences with concrete tips for managing business continuity, citing personal examples, as well as offering operational related to business shifts to help ensure future viability and growth.

As CEO of several organizations, and as a former Presidential appointee, US Ambassador, UN Delegate, and advisor to Fortune 500 companies, Lisa has orchestrated and executed the successful turnarounds of well-known private and public organizations in all industries and sectors. She is highly regarded in business, political, and philanthropic circles for her ability to tackle difficult issues directly and with discipline and diplomacy. Earlier in her career, Lisa worked in high-tech as corporate identity manager at Intel, in the White House as deputy associate director of presidential personnel, and in the US Department of Defense as a special deputy associate director of presidential personnel, and in the US Department of Defense as a special assistant to the Secretary of Defense. She served as the Technology Transfer Policy Department assistant and lead over, market changes, and hybrid working models.

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118 First Responders Graduate Fire and Rescue Training

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A graduation ceremony was held on Thursday, September 23, 2021, at Heritage High School in Leesburg, and reconocquered the accomplishments of numerous men and women who have committed to honorably serve their communities.

In total, 35 students completed the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) 17 completed the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) course, and 22 students completed the Firefighter I course. In addition to their full-time jobs, school, and family obligations, each of these graduates dedicated countless hours over the last six months to their training and have achieved Loudoun County, Virginia State and National Certification in their respective programs.

Loudoun County Fire and Rescue course instructors each designate one individual from their course as the top student. This student exemplifies leadership, dedication, academic success, punctuality, and their ability to motivate others. This year the recognition includes EMT Special Recognition, Firefighter of the Year, Volunteer Firefighter of the Year, Volunteer Rescue Squad: EMT Spring 2021, Alex Bamben from Leesburg Volunteer Fire Company: Emergency Medical Technician Summer 2021, Dana Knap from Slims Volunteer Fire Company: EMT Summer 2021. Catherine Ryan from Loudoun County Volunteer Rescue Squad: Firefighter I, Jessica Stiekel from Lovettsville Volunteer Fire and Rescue: Advanced Emergency Medical Technician Spring 2021. Addie Add from Ashburn Volunteer Fire and Rescue Company, Advanced Emergency Medical Technician Summer 2021, Ryan Welch from Loudoun County Fire and Rescue.

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~ Be Local ~
HIGHLAND's third and fourth graders recently took a trip to Laughing Dog Farm in Deale, Md., where they searched for milkweed and monarch butterflies. They drew pictures of the animals and plants they observed, planted butterflies, and played the migration game to learn about real-world threats to monarch butterflies flying south for the winter. This real-world application is an integral part of project approach learning in Highland’s Lower School. The Laughing Dog Farm field trip is the latest in a significant comeback for the innovative method of education in Highland’s post-COVID world. In 2021, Lower School students became fascinated by butterflies and their critical role in the well-being of the majestic creatures. After hearing from a visiting expert about the dangers monarchs face due to climate change and human interference, the students decided to help. That passion for real-world intervention culminated in creating the Lower School’s butterfly garden, a milkweed sanctuary for migrating monarchs. The project began with two dozen monarchs that arrived from New York. First graders also wrote letters to local leaders asking them to let milkweed grow in public spaces so that monarchs could rest on their way south.

After seeing how the project got lower schoolers excited about their learning experience, Lower School Director Lisa Hicklin and Lower School librarian Jamie Banse decided to expand the project. They’ve encouraged students to develop individual projects that address the problem in a related real-world project. The vaccines have gone through the most rigorous testing in the world and after approval, they’re encouraged to share personal experiences with butterflies, building a community database of information. Students are asked to ask good questions and research what they don’t know. They learn to follow their curiosity, interview experts, and record observations based on what they’ve researched. If they dive deeper into specific topics of their choosing and present their findings to parents and expert guests. Lower School librarian Jamie Banse who helped coordinate the research and activities for each class’s various butterfly projects, notes that students are engaged by the outcomes. Every year, the students go from asking self-reflective questions like “Why do butterflies get milkweed?” and “Do they like it?” to wondering about the science behind their metamorphosis, how the animals understand their transformed shapes, and more. “Their questions, as they grow older and more mature, just become so much better,” she said. Banse believes it’s never too early to start learning vital critical thinking skills that lead to such great questions. Of course, as a teacher, it can be challenging to give students the freedom to ask about things they may not know the answer to, but engaging curiosity that gets the children excited about their learning and plants seeds of wonder will foster at-home learning and problem-solving skills and real-world application that will be useful for the rest of their lives.

Is the COVID-19 Vaccine Safe? Let’s Talk Facts:
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FOXCROFT SCHOOL
STUDENTS EARN AP SCHOLAR
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For Foxcroft students achieved the premier status of AP Scholar with Distinction to lead a group of 24 girls who earned 2021 AP Scholar awards from the College Board for outstanding achievement on Advanced Placement Exams taken last spring. Class of 2021 graduates Betty Altemose (Emory University), Regan Asmussen (Emory University), and Eunice Yang (Carnegie Mellon University) were recognized as Commended Students for their outstanding performance on the PSAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test, roughly 34,000 were recognized as Commended Students for their exceptional academic promise.

FOXCROFT SCHOOL
STUDENTS RECOGNIZED AS NATIONAL MERIT COMMEMORATED SCHOLARS

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These being named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success,” commented a spokesperson for National Merit Scholarship Corporation. “Recognizing their accomplishments, as well as the key role their schools play in their academic development, is vital to the advancement of educational excellence in our nation.”

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Pastimes

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The Witch’s Broom
THE PLANT LADY

Visually a witch’s broom is a tree or shrub branch that has developed a tight cluster of smaller branches. At first look you might think bee or squirrels were at work. In some it’s a pruning riot, to others a threat to control, specifically the brooms caused by a fungus that attacks oak and maple trees in tropical areas.

There are eight different reasons for the lighting of branches. Bees, bees, you, even solar radiation of high elevations can be responsible. A dwarf mistletoe which occurs in many states and Canada and Canada can be responsible. A broom was propagated. The other two were on white pine, the cones on witch’s brooms are often significantly smaller. Many of the dwarf plants sold at nurseries begin life as a broom, often with a name that reflects that i.e., Dige comradis ‘Pantins Witch’s Broom‘, Picea abies ‘Millstream Broom‘, and Picea orientalis ‘Bootstrap Broom‘. There are a few that come to mind that are witches’ brooms and are ones for the tight forking of tree or shrub branch that has descended or the growth hormones that disrupt the growth hormones. It’s our new look & folks are loving it!

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Roasted Apples and Honey Nut Squash
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FALL is the season to seek out Honey Nut squash at your local farmers market. They are like a Butternut squash but they are smaller, sweeter and have a ten der skin which is edible, much like Delicata squash and fabu lous combined with their sweet savory apples. Serve this combination with grilled pork or with lightly dressed greens and crumbled fresh goat cheese.

Here come the Holidays
AROUND THE TOWN

Karen Hackney

The Shaggy Ram & Little Lambkins.

The Shaggy Ram, now in its 31st year, has just adopted the Little Lambkins. So along with our lovely English & French antiques plus all accessories for your home, the Lambkins specializes in quality classic attire for infants & children.

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Friends For Life

A FLORAL GOODBYE

Hello, to the Middleburg community. It has been a tough decision to make, but I wanted to take the opportunity to say, Thank you all for making me a part of the community with your kindness and thoughtfulness. Thank you for your business and your friendship. It will always be a part of my heart. Have you all and wish every one of you a heartfelt goodbye. Your friend and designer. - Dennis Dodson

DO RACCOONS GO TO HEAVEN?

Being high in the fall feels like falling in love.
The air is crisp, you want it to be with you, touch your skin, fill your lungs.
My outfits change: thick corduroys, soft sweaters that won’t catch or scratch on mornings I forget lotion and have dry, ashy hands and elbows.

Bust out my real raccoon tail hat that I found at a gas station in Texas, that lays dormant on my speaker until fall and thru winter, with which I will be another year and tell people it’s faux fur for yes — middle school me had no opinion on buying a hat with a real raccoon tail, no — and assuming the raccoon died close to the time its tail was removed well, 16 years is a long time.

May the raccoon wouldn’t forgive me by now? Maybe the raccoon is happy to see their legacy paraded around every fall on my head.

Do raccoons go to heaven? - Sunny Boy | @SunnyBoyDonutCo

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THE PERILS OF THE BILL WITO WAGNER
MARK COHEN
The Biden administration wants to improve America’s international image, and to that end is considering withdrawal from the
Okitipupa 400 Project. to save all priceless artifacts from the
33rd year of the Jurassic Period. Yet the president and the
administration face a delicate balancing act of American
relations with Europe, China, and Russia, as well as with
countries in the Middle East. In this context, the
administration’s handling of the Middle East is particularly
important, as it can have significant implications for
America’s foreign policy and national security.

In the Middle East, the Biden administration faces a number of challenges. One of the most pressing is the
crisis in Afghanistan. The United States has spent
billions of dollars and thousands of lives in the pursuit of
stability in Afghanistan, but the current situation is
far from stable. The Taliban has regained control of the
country, and the situation is fluid and uncertain.

Another challenge is the conflict in the
Gaza Strip. The ongoing conflict has
led to significant civilian casualties and
has caused widespread suffering. The
administration must work to find a
solution to this conflict and to
ensure the safety and well-being of
the Palestinian people.

Additionally, the administration
must grapple with the situation in
Syria. The Syrian civil war has
dragged on for over a decade and has
resulted in significant human
costs. The United States has
taken a stance of diplomatic
pressure and support for a
community-driven solution to
the conflict.

Overall, the Biden administration
must carefully consider its foreign
policy in the Middle East. It must
balance the need to promote
diplomacy and stability with the
countries in the region while also
ensuring the safety and security of
American citizens and allies.

LETTER FROM THE PLAINS
ANTHONY WELLS
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Prime Fauquier County location on the Atoka Road | 88.34 acres with bold Blue Ridge views | Neoclassical brick home with slate roof completely updated & expanded | 2 BR, 2 full, 2 half baths, 5 fireplaces, gourmet kitchen | 10 stall barn with attached indoor arena | Pool, pool house, tenant house | Beautiful gardens | Superb condition
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MIDDLEBURG, VIRGINIA  
Prime Middleburg estate | Main house of stone and frame construction circa 1900 with dine in kitchen, 5 BR, 5 1/2 BR, 7 FP, high ceilings, moldings & detailed woodwork throughout | Experience builders are customized | 10+ barns | barns totaling 38 stalls | 15 paddocks | Denby field | 20x30 indoor arena | 260x50 all weather outdoor arena | 40x40 arena | Polo field for grand prix field | 4 board, double fencing & automated inox waterers | Other improvements include FR, 20x20 BR, 20x20 BR | Pool house | Front office attached to BR house | Machine shed | Carriage house | Garage | Garage house | Stone spring house | Pond
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MASON FARM, LIGHTRIDGE FARM ROAD  
Stately brick manor house c.1844 | 4 bedrooms, lovely kitchen, multiple porches, beautiful pine floors, 7 fireplaces, original mantels, large windows and detailed millwork throughout | Great natural light in every room | Additional outbuildings include the c. 1810 log cabin used as the pool house & a converted barn now serves as a guest house with movie theater | 2 ponds, miles of trails, 178 acres | Separate workshop and 2 car garage
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MIDDLING, VIRGINIA  
20 +/- acres in fast growing Loudoun location | Currently zoned TR1/1B | Willowsford, South Riding, Stone Ridge, minutes away | New county high school under construction near property | Currently improved by 1 residences, 2 ponds | Northstar Blvd around corner
$3,462,000  
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THE PLAINS FARM  
Privacy and 107 acres between Middleburg and The Plains | Residential enclave of great character within a rich array of natural resources | Classic Virginia stone and stucco c. 1820 | 4 bedrooms, antique floors and rich pine paneling | Two guest houses, stone cottage, farm manager's house, 2 stables, machine shed and work shop | Extensive Little River frontage and 2 ponds | Tremendous views
$3,975,000  
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MIDDLING, VIRGINIA  
Stone and stucco home built in 2000 | 7 potential bedrooms, 7 full baths, 2 half baths, 3 fireplaces, gourmet kitchen, attached 3 car garage | High ceilings, detailed workmanship | Improvements include 6 stall barn with heated tack room | Board fence, sand riding ring, heated pool | 2x2 very private acres east of Middleburg with frontage on Little River | Private yet close to everything
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