

DATES TO REMEMBER

— **Annual Student Exhibition *** —
April 15 to Sept. 9, Dickinson Galleries

— **PVCC Academic &
Leadership Awards Ceremony *** —
April 28, 4 p.m., Dickinson Building Main Stage

— **NSLS at PVCC Presents:
Volunteer Day with CSPCA *** —
April 29, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., CSPCA

— **Carpool Cinema: *Shrek* *** —
April 29, 7 p.m., PVCC Lot 3

— **Flying in Place: Liberating Voices from
Virginia's Prisons ^** —
Apr. 29-30, 7:30 p.m., Dickinson Building Main
Stage

— **Final Exam Week** —
May 2-9

— **PVCC Program Spotlight:
Health Information Management and Medical
Administrative Support Assistant *** —
May 2, 6:30 p.m., Virtual

— **Graduation *** —
May 13, 6 p.m., John Paul Jones Arena

— **10-week Summer Classes Begin** —
May 23

— **Memorial Day: College closed, no classes** —
May 30

— **Independence Day: College closed, no classes** —
July 4

— **16-week Fall Classes Begin** —
Aug. 22

*Free Event ^Student Vouchers Available

Editor's Note

Laurel Molloy, assistant editor

I have always loved writing. Since I was a child, I wrote poems, short stories, and pieces of creative fiction. Even before that I would play games with my sister making up stories and strange lands together. However, for a long time I thought writing as a career was only for authors lucky enough to get famous. I was wrong. Writing is a skill that is used in many fields.

I started taking journalism classes at PVCC in the fall of 2021, and now I will be graduating high school with an associate degree and pursuing writing at a four-year college. Taking ENG 121 – Introduction to Journalism and ENG 122 – Introduction to Journalism II, I have learned how much dedication and creativity journalism takes. Journalism tries to evoke emotions and get across points just like all good writing does.

As the assistant editor for *The Forum*, I experimented with interviewing, reporting, and writing in different styles. I have grown as a writer and become more confident at getting information for articles. The neat thing about journalism and writing in general is that you can be creative with it. I can use my own writing background to shape the articles I write.

Although college and life can be hard, there is much to discover and create. I am happy to have found journalism because it is a great mesh of different skills. I hope everyone finds a creative niche for themselves where they can be expressive.

