

DATES TO REMEMBER

— **Pet Therapy Dog on Campus*** —
Mondays, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., East Patio

— **Yoga Class *** —
Fridays at noon, Fitness Center

— **One Book Event: *Human Nature* Screening *** —
Oct. 18, noon to 2 p.m., M229

— **SFRC Health and Wellness Event *** —
Oct. 19, noon to 1 p.m., Bolick Student Center

— **Documentary Filmmaking Workshop with
Ty Cooper *** —
Oct. 20, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.,
Dickinson Building Main Stage

— **Films Talk Back: *Good Work: Masters of the
Building Arts* with filmmaker Paul Wagner *** —
Oct. 20, 7:30 p.m., Dickinson Building Main Stage

— **International Food Sale** —
Oct. 23, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Bolick Student Center

— **Halloween Social *** —
Oct. 31, noon to 1 p.m., Bolick Student Center

— **One Book Trivia Contest *** —
Nov. 1, noon to 1 p.m., North Mall Meeting Room

— **One Book Photography Contest Deadline *** —
Nov. 3

— **Election Day** —
Nov. 7, All Day, No classes

— **Charlottesville Ballet: *Salute* ^** —
Nov. 11, 3 p.m. Dickinson Building Main Stage

— **Autumn Origami Workshop *** —
Nov. 16, 6 p.m., North Mall Meeting Room

— **Gallery Exhibition Opening Reception *** —
Nov. 17, 5-7 p.m., Dickinson Building Galleries

*Free Event ^Student Vouchers Available

Editor's Note

Benjamin Marcus, editor

I grew up surrounded by writing. Both my parents had jobs as editors at various points during my childhood — my father in particular spent time working as the editor of an economic journal. My parents homeschooled me and gave me access to plenty of books and audiobooks, so it was natural for me to be drawn toward writing in my early years. I wrote frequently while in my pre and early teens, and much of what I wrote benefitted from my father's editorial rigor.

When I enrolled in PVCC in the fall of 2021, I was very fortunate that the first class I attended was a composition class taught by Dr. Tamara Whyte, professor of English and the faculty adviser for *The Forum*. Dr. Whyte's teaching style and curriculum were an excellent introduction to academic pursuit.

After having taken both Composition I and II with Dr. Whyte, I still wanted to learn more from her. In the fall of 2022, I enrolled in a class that taught a style of writing I had barely considered for myself: journalism. It wasn't until that class that I began to properly connect with PVCC beyond my classes. I got to know the college much more deeply as the need for article topics led me to interview faculty members and attend events I may not have even known about otherwise. Beyond tuning my skills and teaching me new ones, journalism helped me gain a deeper appreciation and connection to PVCC as a whole.

Now, as I start the last year of my degree, I am once again pursuing journalism, this time as an editor. I intend to further explore PVCC as I discovered it in that journalism class a year ago and to both share my own discoveries about PVCC and help other aspiring writers do the same through *The Forum*.



Student Government Association News

Meet Your Officers!!!

President: Mara Cox

Vice-President: Kea Leshoe

Secretary: Savannah Brown

Treasurer: Alex Hartford

Public Relations: Sam Facio



If your club needs funds to host an event for the student body submit a request to the SGA! We will provide funds and any help you might need! Forms can be found outside the STUDENT LIFE office in the SGA-sponsored folder outside the door!

(Same protocol for budget requests!)

Events we've done so far:

GET OUT TO VOTE done with civic sense

LOTERIA done with student engagement