# THE WARREN REPORT

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## **Fall Bucket List**

This fall looks a little different. Kids are learning remotely, most haven't returned to a normal work environment, and UVA football can only be viewed from the comfort of your sofa. Here are some fun, outdoor activities to make some great autumn memories!



#### The Saunders-Monticello Trail

Head to the Saunders-Monticello Trail for breathtaking views and fresh air! Miles of gravel walkways, boardwalks, and rustic woodland paths are completely accessible to cyclers, walkers, and those in wheelchairs. While the autumn leaves fall, wind your way along the trail toward Monticello and back again in a very manageable four miles.

931 Thomas Jefferson Pkwy, Charlottesville, VA 22902 Daily, 7 am – 7 pm

#### King Family Vineyard

Sunsets, wine, gorgeous surroundings full of fall colors, kids playing soccer barefoot on pristine grass, delicious food truck fare... have we convinced you yet that you're missing a slice of heaven if you haven't visited King Family Vineyards in Crozet? Through October, they're opening their outdoor space to the public from 5 - 8 pm for Wine Wednesday and Food Truck Friday. There is plenty of space to stay socially distanced while distantly socializing. It's a great place to feel connected to and grateful for the beautiful community and place we live in.

6550 Roseland Farm, Crozet, VA 22932 Wednesday & Friday, 5 – 8 pm



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#### Chiles Peach Orchard

Through the end of October, head to Chiles Orchard to pick your own apples and pumpkins! This quintessential spot in Crozet is perfect for a fall afternoon out. After picking, head over to the store window to purchase fresh cider donuts and drinks! Monday – Friday tickets are not required.

If going Saturday – Sunday, head to Chiles' website to purchase timed-entry tickets.

1351 Greenwood Rd, Crozet, VA 22932 Daily, 9 am – 6 pm

#### **The Survivor Scholarship**

The Warren Firm is proud to announce The Survivor Scholarship. This scholarship is an opportunity to hear from students about difficult situations they have experienced and grown from. Applicants are asked to share a story about how they or someone close to them was injured, how it affected their life, and how they not only survived but overcame this obstacle. The scholarship winner will be awarded \$1,000. Head over to the Resources page of our website www.warren-law.com for full details.



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#### Virginia Senate Kills Legislation Aimed at Making It Easier to Sue Police Officers

A few days after narrowly passing in the Virginia House of Delegates, a bill that would have ended qualified immunity for police officers died in the Senate. Qualified immunity is a legal doctrine that often protects officers from civil suits. Stripping qualified immunity would make it easier to sue police officers for misconduct, including violations of constitutional rights. Those opposed to the bill worried it would negatively impact retaining leaders and officers on the force, as well as the number of new recruits. Those for the bill argued it would attract more qualified recruits and protect civilians, in particular, people of color.

Although the bill was voted down in the Senate, it won't be the last time we hear about it – the General Assembly is expected to revisit the issue in 2021. It is speculated that a special committee will be formed to study the bill in depth. These proceedings were part of a special session called by Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam to address dozens of bills like the immunity bill, focused around criminal justice and police reform.



### **Downtime Hobbies**



My daughter has spent her extra time learning how to crochet. It has been fun to see all of the creations she has come up with. So far, she has made a jacket and a small handbag. She's also created a water bottle holder and a bumblebee key fob.



Last Christmas, my son asked for a lathe. I thought it was an odd request but he had learned how to use one in his shop class. It turned out to be a fun gift because now he's had a lot of extra time learning to make bowls. He has me made a couple of pens as well, and I'm hoping he will continue perfecting his craft. We focus our practice on cases involving: Personal Injury Wrongful Death Children's Injuries Bicycle Accidents Auto Accidents





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