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Churchill senior and Maryland All-Star Sarafina Arthur-Williams jumps to block West Springfield senior and Virginia All-Star Logan Battle during the Capital Classic on April 21.

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Almanac Wins Awards

First place awards include continuing coverage of Brickyard issue and Lourie's columns.

Kenny Lourie, longtime columnist and Almanac advertising representative, won two first place awards from the Maryland Delaware DC Press Association, one for local column and one for sports column. Lourie has been writing about his odyssey with Stage IV lung cancer, and the judges noted: "Writer chooses tough subject, his own mortality, and handles it quite well. He gives us an honest look at a very personal issue."



Susan Belford



Carole Dell



Robbie Hammer



Mary Kimm



Kenny Lourie



Ken Moore

The Potomac Almanac also won first place for continuing news coverage of the controversy surrounding the Brickyard Road organic farm and county plans to turn it into

soccer fields by Ken Moore, Mary Kimm and Robbie Hammer.

Writer Susan Belford won second place in the feature story/profile category

for her story about Potomac resident Doug Williams and his 20-year recovery from a traumatic brain injury.

Carole Dell won second place in the local

column, feature or humor category for her column, Remembering Carmel.

The awards were announced at the annual meeting of the Maryland Delaware DC Press Association on Friday, April 20.

The Potomac Almanac and its sister publications in the Connection Newspapers group won 45 press association awards for work in 2011 overall, including the Virginia Press Association Award for Journalistic Integrity and Community Service.

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by
Michael Matese

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Bringing Broadway To Wootton

ArtSpeak to host
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BY SUSAN BELFORD
THE ALMANAC

Christiane Noll Brad Oscar

ArtSpeak — a program to bring professional actors and actresses to high schools — is featuring two Broadway stars in a free event at Wootton High School. The program will highlight the talents of actress Christiane Noll and actor Brad Oscar. The performance will take place at 7 p.m. on May 3, in the Thomas S. Wootton High School auditorium.

ArtSpeak is hosting its Broadway Stars Series to promote theatre arts throughout the community. This experience will give students the opportunity to meet Broadway stars and watch them perform. They will also have time for a question and answer discussion session. In addition, raffle prizes will be given.

ArtSpeak is introducing a “Bring a Friend” campaign. Students who bring a friend who has not previously experienced the world of the theatre arts, will receive an extra raffle ticket to win prizes. This new campaign will provide an introduction to theatre for those who normally do not have an opportunity to experience it.

“We are thrilled to host these seasoned professionals to entertain and educate the entire Wootton community about a life in the arts,” said Wootton Drama Director and

teacher Jessica Speck. “We hope the ‘bring a friend’ campaign will encourage a number of non-theatre students to engage in the magic of theatre for one exciting evening.”

Noll performed in “Ragtime” and “Jekyll and Hyde” on Broadway. She received a Tony Nomination for Best Performance by an Actress in a Musical for her role in “Ragtime.” She has starred in national Tours of “Grease,” “Miss Saigon,” and “City of Angels” and in many international productions. In 2012, she received the Helen Hayes Award for Best Actress in a Musical for her performance at the Kennedy Center in “Ragtime.”

Oscar performed in the original cast of “The Producers” for which he received a Tony Nomination for Best Featured Actor in a Musical. He has appeared in Arena Stage productions and, most recently is Uncle Fester in “The Addams Family” on Broadway.

Senior Mitchell Myers, who has appeared in Wootton drama productions and Chamber Singers for four years is thrilled that students will have the opportunity to interact with artists: “ArtSpeak is an amazing opportunity to meet these Broadway stars which people do not normally get to meet.”

All are welcome to attend this free event.

Chastain Promotes ‘The First Tee’

BY SUSAN BELFORD
THE ALMANAC

“You can change a child’s life by being involved in The First Tee,” Brandi Chastain, celebrated World Cup soccer star, Olympian, author and coach told an audience of more than 200 golfers and The First Tee supporters who attended the 2nd annual golf outing and luncheon held at TPC Avenel on April 18.

Chastain explained the impact The First Tee makes on a child’s life and also commented on the opportunities and life lessons that participation in sports have given her.



Sisters Jennifer and Jemies Saratis love playing golf and appreciate all that The First Tee has taught them.

The First Tee event included a nine-hole golf outing with 64 players, a luncheon, silent auction and raffle prizes. The proceeds from the event fund The First Tee’s golf programs for youth in Montgomery County.

In the final game of the 1999 Women’s World Cup soccer tournament, Chastain kicked the winning penalty goal in a match against China. Because of her feat, the U.S. National Team won the World Cup. Chastain immediately ripped off her jersey, fell on her knees in her sports bra and cheered while swinging her jersey victoriously in

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PHOTOS BY MARY KIMM/THE ALMANAC

Part of training to be a fire engine driver is to learn how to manage the rural water supply loop. Here on Friday, April 13, career firefighters at Cabin John Volunteer fire department practice using the tanker truck and fire hydrant for filling and drawing water. The 3,500 gallon tanker trucks and the water containers create a water supply for fighting fires in areas that have no hydrants.

When No Hydrant Is at Hand

Firefighters make use of alternative water sources.

While more summer-like temperatures over the weekend might have obscured the memory, last Friday, April 13, was a chilly day, in the 50s, with a significant breeze. So it was clear that firefighters in front of Cabin John Volunteer Fire Department Station 30 on Falls Road were not filling a pool to cool off.

The large red portable water container is part of the county’s “rural water supply,” along with the county’s seven tanker trucks, to serve areas of the county that do not have fire hydrants.

“We have some pretty significant homes in the Potomac area,” that are

outside the hydrant area, said Scott Graham, county fire public information officer. The rural water supply protocol calls for a 3500-gallon tanker to arrive at the scene of the fire along with a 750 gallon fire truck, providing sufficient water to launch a first attack on the fire. Meanwhile, a supply pool, like the red one shown in these photos is set up, and one or more additional tanker trucks will establish a fill-and-dump loop between the fire and the closest water supply. This could be a fire hydrant, or a swimming pool, or a pond, lake or creek.

County firefighters use this system to fight at least a fire a week.

About two weeks ago, a fire on Esworthy Road in Potomac required a rural water supply, as a garage with living quarters caught fire near a house of significant size, Graham said.

— MARY KIMM



Training to drive a tanker truck involves learning how to load and deliver waters to fight fires where there are no fire hydrants.



“You have to train every day,” says career firefighter Doug Bernardo, who works at Station 30 on Falls Road.

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NEWS

Restaurant offers American cuisine with a neighborhood feel.

Tavern at River Falls Opens

By SUSAN BELFORD
THE ALMANAC

The long-awaited Tavern at River Falls is already a hit in Potomac. Finally opened after more than two years of work and determination by owner Jeff Grolig, the tavern offers a large U-shaped bar area, original photographic artwork and a menu that features tasty food created with the freshest of ingredients.

Located next to Renato's and the River Falls Market in the Potomac Place shopping center, the restaurant is the culmination of Grolig's entrepreneurship. The Tavern at River Falls seats 70 people.

The rustic tavern will not disappoint diners who are looking for splendid American cuisine. Every dish is created by Chef Brian Nussear who works with corporate chef Andrew Malinowski. Lunch and dinner menus include signature items such as fresh jumbo lump "Cadillac" crab cakes, Creole-spiced jumbo shrimp and chipotle-gouda grits, a three-beef-blend Tavern burger, a prime filet



PHOTO BY SUSAN BELFORD/THE ALMANAC

The U-shaped bar at the Tavern at River Falls.

mignon, roasted blue-bay Maine mussels and soups and salads. There is also a lite fare menu and a full selection of wines and crafted beers.

"Our philosophy is to serve really fine food," said Grolig. "We make everything from scratch and use no pre-packaged food. The restaurant has a real neighborhood feel — very warm and friendly. We have the license for the outdoor patio and will soon be

able to offer outdoor seating as well.

"I am so pleased with the community's response. Every night has been standing room only and we were completely booked for Friday and Saturday night. We've had very positive feed-back from our customers."

Grolig opened the River Falls Seafood Company in 1998 with a vision of providing Potomac with "the finest quality fresh seafood and house-made prepared foods." He formerly served as corporate seafood buyer for the Sutton Place Gourmet in Bethesda. In 2003, the River Falls Seafood Company doubled its size and became the River Falls Market, providing fresh seafood, meats, prepared gourmet meals, beer and wine to the community. In 2006, River Falls Market purchased Renato's Restaurant.

The restaurant staff provides team-oriented service to the patrons. Front-of-house manager Johnny Robinson was born in Dublin, Ireland and comes to Potomac from Portland, Maine. Potomac customer Sylvia Darrow enjoyed her first visit to the Tavern: "I loved the warm atmosphere and the artwork. The food was excellent. This restaurant will definitely be a place where I meet friends. I was impressed there were people of all ages here. We ran into a lot of people we knew — and I bet that will happen every time we come."

The Tavern at River Falls is located at 10128 River Road, Potomac. It is open daily from 11:30 am to 9:30 pm and, according to Grolig, "the bar will remain open until the last customer leaves." Call for a reservation at 301-299-0481 or check out the restaurant at www.thetavernatriverfalls.com or on Facebook.

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Chastain Promotes 'The First Tee'

FROM PAGE 3

the air. The iconic moment captured the front cover of Time, Sports Illustrated, Newsweek and other publications.

Chastain played on the 1996 U.S. Olympic women's soccer team, competed for the FC Gold Pride, a professional women's soccer team, coaches at Santa Clara University in California, was inducted into the West Coast Conference Hall of Honor, serves as a soccer analyst for NBC Sports, runs the Bay Area Women's Sports Initiative and is a wife, mom and step-mom. She is also a golfer and tennis player and was the first woman to play in the AT&T Celebrity Pro-Am at Pebble Beach and was most recently the champion of the Michael Jordan Celebrity Golf Tournament. She also supports many projects and causes — and strongly believes in the power of an organization like "The First Tee."

"This organization gives children the sense of the possible — and healthy habits to be successful," Chastain said.

The First Tee of Montgomery

County benefits more than 500 Montgomery County youth who would not typically have access to the game and its opportunities. Young men and women, ages 8 - 17 are introduced to the fundamentals of golf, provided with equipment, clothing, lessons and the chance to play on Montgomery County courses. But the major impact of the program is not only to teach youths the skills to successfully play a life-long game, but to teach them nine core values — respect, perseverance, honesty, integrity, courtesy, responsibility, sportsmanship, confidence and judgment — that will ensure their success in school and careers, with adults and friends. Another goal is to encourage girls to become involved in the world of sports.

Twelve-year-old Jennifer Saratis and 14-year-old Jemies Saratis have been involved with "The First Tee" for five years. Jemies explains the impact that the organization has had on her life. "I have met a lot of people and learned lessons that help me in life and in school. The game and the program have given me the confidence to try new things and take risks. Golf is re-

ally fun, too."

Her sister, Jennifer, said, "I have learned the importance of honesty and treating other people with respect." Both girls plan to continue playing golf. They helped at the golf outing by putting for players on one hole — routinely sinking putts short and long.

TREASURER of The First Tee Board of Directors Pat Price said, "The demand for our program is bigger than the supply. We served 500 kids the past few years and we are hoping to be able to serve 1,000. One issue that keeps us from being able to include more children is that we need more volunteers to come to the courses to help out. During the school year, we need volunteers in the afternoon to work with programs from 4 - 5 p.m., and then we need summer volunteers during our summer camp. We are at the following golf courses: Needwood, Laytonsville, Olney Park, Sligo and Montgomery Village — and volunteers can serve at any of these locations. People don't have to have a knowledge of golf, but have to enjoy being with children."



From left: Laurie Capra, Brandi Chastain, Jackie Simmons-Reade, DJ Garrett and Sunita Kul at The First Tee Golf Outing.

Laura Sildon, executive director, said that The First Tee also offers scholarship opportunities and enhances leadership skills: "The Life Skills Program is one of the unique features that separates The First Tee from many junior golf programs. This experience provides life skills such as goal setting, problem solving and the mastery of positive behaviors and values."

"One of our important messages is taught through the 3 R's," she added: "Relax, Replay, Redo. This is a strategy that a young person

can use in his or her golf game, but also when attacking that tough Algebra problem, or in dealing with a difficult problem."

There are many other ways to become involved with The First Tee of Montgomery County. Donations of equipment, gently-used clothing and shoes are needed. Monetary donations may be made over the website at www.thefirstteemcmd.org, or by mail to The First Tee, PO Box 18, Kensington, MD 20895. For more information, call 240-447-4646.

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NOW THROUGH APRIL 29

Mule Drawn Boat Rides. Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. The Chesapeake and Ohio Canal maintains a stable of six to eight mules for its interpretive canal boat operations. The mules are a great favorite of park visitors. Take a leisurely ride on a replica canal boat and experience history first hand. Great Falls offers mule-drawn rides on an 1870's packet boat. \$8 for adults (ages 15-61), \$6 for seniors (ages 62 and over), and \$5 for children (ages 4-14). Children aged 3 and under ride free.

SUNDAYS THROUGH APRIL

Children's Handchime Choir. 11:15 a.m. Elementary-age children are invited to participate in a handchime choir at River Road Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Bethesda. Directed by master bell ringer Brent Keith, the group will meet Sundays at 11:15 a.m. at RRUUC in Room 25. (Teens interested in assisting are encouraged to inquire.) Participants will learn to play the chimes, perform as part of an ensemble, and participate in musical group activities. Contact Ann Richards at 301-229-0400, arichards@rruuc.org. The Unitarian Universalist Congregation is located at 6301 River Road, Bethesda. Visit www.rruuc.org.

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NOW THROUGH APRIL 29

"Baby." Presented by Rockville Musical Theatre. Performance dates are: April 20, 21, 27, 28 at 8 p.m.; and April 22, 29 at 2 p.m. For tickets, call 301-258-6394. Performances are held at the Gaithersburg Arts Barn, 311 Kent Square Road, Gaithersburg.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

Mary Alouette. 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12. Gypsy jazz vocalist will perform tracks from her debut album, *Midas*. At the Mansion at Strathmore, 10701 Rockville Pike, North Bethesda. Visit www.strathmore.org or call (301) 581-5100.

Arbor Day Ceremony. 11 a.m. At the new Police Headquarters of the Rockville City Police Department, 2 West Montgomery Ave., Rockville.

THURSDAY/APRIL 26

Preschool Storytime. 10:30 a.m. Stories, songs and rhymes for 3-to-6 year olds and their caregivers. No registration required. At the Potomac Library.

BSO Classical Concert. 8 p.m. Tickets are \$38 to \$98. Beethoven's Violin Concerto with Jun Märkl, conductor, and Arabella Steinbacher, violin. At the Music Center at Strathmore. For tickets, call 410-783-8000 or BSOmusic.org.

Diener School Spring Auction. 6:15 p.m. Admission is \$80/person. Laugh, eat, share the program, and auction unique and exciting items. At Congregation Har Shalom, 11510 Falls Road, Potomac. Contact: laurie@thedienschool.org or 301-299-4602.

Slow Blues and Swing Dance. 9 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Admission is \$8. With DJ Mike Marcotte and Guests. Slow Blues lesson from 8:15 to 9 p.m. At the Back Room at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Call Donna Barker at 301-634-2231 or go to info@CapitalBlues.org or www.CapitalBlues.org.

FRIDAY/APRIL 27

The Moscow Soloists Chamber Orchestra. At

the Music center at Strathmore. Featuring violist Yuri Bashmet, Conductor and Soloist with Soloist Mischa Maisky, Cello. Visit www.maestroartist.com.

APRIL 27, 28, 29

Spring Dance Concert. Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday, April 29 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$10/regular; \$8/seniors and students. At the Robert E. Parilla Performing Arts Center, Montgomery College, 51 Mannakee St., Rockville. Call 240-567-5301.

APRIL 27 AND APRIL 28

"Legally Blonde The Musical." 7:30 p.m. Featuring 100 student singers, dancers, musicians and technicians at Winston Churchill High School. Ticket information can be found online at www.wchsarts.com or in the lobby box office outside the Bish Auditorium, 11300 Gainsborough Road, Potomac. The box office will be open one hour before each performance and Monday through Friday from 10:50-11:50 a.m.

Piano Concert and Master Class. Free. Featuring Thérèse Fahy, piano. Concert is April 28; Master Class is April 27. At Westmoreland Congregational Church, 1 Westmoreland Circle, Bethesda. Presented by the Washington Conservatory of Music. Visit www.washingtonconservatory.org or call 301-320-2770.

SATURDAY/APRIL 28

PCC Marketplace. A shopping mecca for Potomac residents who love jewelry, crafts, art, flea markets, bargains, shopping and great food. At the Potomac Community Center. To participate and register for a table, email Penny Heltzer at acentmo@gmail.com or call her at 301-983-9624 or cell 301-641-9001.

Be a Junior Ranger. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Every day is Junior Ranger Day at C&O Canal National Historical Park. During National Park Week bring kids 6 to 12 years old to participate in the Junior Ranger Program at C&O Canal. Have you ever met a mule? Would you like to learn how to protect plants, wildlife, and keep our water clean? Junior Rangers get to see and learn all about the mules, nature, geology, and the history of the park. At SEE ENTERTAINMENT, PAGE 7



Kayla Wenger

SUNDAY/APRIL 29

Mitzvah Day. 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. A comprehensive day of community service for non-profit organizations and individuals in need throughout the county. At Congregation B'Nai Tzedek in Potomac in honor of Kayla Wenger, who lost her battle with brain cancer. This year, many activities are planned to benefit: DC Central Kitchen; Chase Men's Shelter; Poplar Springs Animal Sanctuary; Jewish Group Homes; Hebrew Home; NIH Children's Inn; Hearts & Homes for Children and a Bone Marrow Drive sponsored by NIH. The B'nai Tzedek Youth Choir will perform for the residents at Ring House, an assisted living community in Rockville. Visit www.bnaitzedek.org or call 301-299-0225. Congregation B'nai is located at 10621 South Glen Road, in Potomac.

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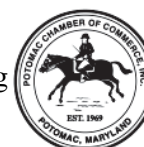
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FINE ARTS

MAY 8 TO JUNE 2

The Wondrous Lotus. Photographs by Duncan Whitaker and New Work by Gallery Artists. Reception: Friday, May 11, from 6-9 p.m. Meet the Artist: Saturdays, May 12, 19 and 26 and June 2, 2 - 4 p.m. At Waverly Street Gallery, 4600 East-West Highway, Bethesda. Call 301-951-9441



APRIL 29 TO MAY 29

Art Show at Glenview Gallery. Free. Presented by the Rockville Art League. Artist's reception is Sunday, April 29, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. The Rockville Singers will perform between 2 and 3 p.m. At 603 Edmonston Drive, Rockville. Visit www.rockvillemd.gov/arts or contact Julie Farrell at 240-314-8682 or jfarrell@rockvillemd.gov.

MONTH OF APRIL

'Variety Art' Exhibit. Bernie Wilder, a Potomac-based artist who began donating to Child Welfare Services' Adopt a Social Worker program a decade ago, is presenting "Variety Art." To benefit the county's Child Welfare Services "Adopt A Social Worker" Program. The exhibit features 24 pieces of art from seven artists. The artists represented are Wilder, a Potomac resident and oil painter; Rockville resident Marla Rudnik, a metal sculptor and jewelry maker;

Rockville resident Shelley Bain, an acrylic painter; Potomac resident Valen Brown, an acrylic painter; District of Columbia resident Lou Kaplan, an oil painter; Potomac resident Ruja Shemer, a watercolor painter; and Rockville resident Nadia Azumi, a silk painter. At Amici Miei Ristorante, 1093 Seven Locks Road in the Potomac Woods Plaza in Potomac. The restaurant is open Monday through Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday from 4:30 to 9 p.m.

NOW THROUGH APRIL 29

Artist Felisa Federman. Mixed media on canvas and paper. She is a resident artist at The Art Gallery of Potomac. At River Road Unitarian Universalist Congregation, Fellowship Hall, 6301 River Road, Bethesda; call 301-229-0400.

NOW THROUGH APRIL 29

DC NOW. Gallery B is pleased to present its seventh exhibition, DC NOW, curated by Morton Fine Art. DC NOW features new artworks by nationally renowned, Washington, D.C. based contemporary artists Maya Freelon Asante, Billy Colbert, Rosemary Feit Covey, Laurel Hausler and Victoria Shahern. The exhibit will be on display at Gallery B, located at 7700 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite E, Bethesda. Gallery hours are Wednesday - Sunday, 12-6.

NOW THROUGH MAY 5

Quietude. Paintings by Loriann Signori and New Work by Gallery Artists. At Waverly Street Gallery, 4600 East-West Highway, Bethesda. Call 301-951-9441. Visit www.waverlystreetgallery.com

Name the Mini

John Phillips (below) is with his new miniature horse, the latest addition to Squeals on



Wheels Petting Zoo. Squeals on Wheels and the Potomac Almanac invite readers to help name the new mini-horse. Meet the new mini-

ature horse at the Potomac Community Center Marketplace on Saturday, April 28 from noon to 4 p.m. where Squeals on Wheels Petting Zoo will be part of the fun along with arts, crafts and the farmers market.

Enter at the Potomac Community Center on April 28, or send suggested name for the miniature horse, your name, address, phone number and email address to almanac@connectionnewspapers.com or submit your name online at www.PotomacAlmanac.com/

ENTERTAINMENT

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Great Falls Tavern, 11710 MacArthur Blvd. (entrance at corner of MacArthur Blvd. and Falls Road), Potomac. Call 301-767-3714 or visit www.nps.gov/choh.

Rover's Rad Retreat. 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Tickets are \$55. At the Mansion at Strathmore, 10701 Rockville Pike, North Bethesda. Call 301-581-5100 or visit www.strathmore.org.

Spring Festival and Native Plant Sale. 1 to 4 p.m. Features woodland hikes, nature games and crafts, exhibits, tables and demonstrations from festival partners the Wild Bird Center and live animal shows and a rain barrel and native plant sale. At Croydon Creek Nature Center, 852 Avery Road on the grounds of the Rockville Civic Center Park. Visit www.rockvillemd.gov/croydoncreek or call 240-314-8770.

Playhouse Puppetry Slam. 7 and 9 p.m. Tickets are \$15. Amateur and professional puppeteers from all over the East Coast will be performing for a mature audience. Content ranges from the raunchy and risqué to the tender and tear-jerking in a fast-moving succession of both rough and polished acts. At the Puppet Co. Playhouse in Glen Echo Park. Call 301-634-5380, www.puppetryslam.com.

Thérèse Fahy, piano. 8 p.m. Debussy Preludes. Pay-as-you-can donation. At Westmoreland Congregational UCC Church, One Westmoreland Circle, Bethesda. For more information: 301-320-2770 and www.washingtonconservatory.org.

Swing Dancing. 9 p.m. til midnight. Admission is \$15. One-hour lesson from 8 to 9 p.m. With the Tom Cunningham Orchestra. At Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Visit www.tomcunningham.com/calendar.

An Evening with Strauss Waltz Ball. Tickets are \$20/door. With the band, Olde Vienna, featuring Dave Wiesler, Alexander Mitchell, Barbara Heitz, Ralph Gordon and Elke Baker.

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APRIL 28 AND 29

Sarah Chang. Saturday at 8 p.m. Sunday at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$28. Plays Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto with Piotr Gajewski, conductor. Free pre-concert lecture Saturday at 6:45 p.m.; and Sunday at 1:45 p.m. At the Music Center at Strathmore. Visit www.strathmore.org or call 301-581-5100.

APRIL 28 TO JUNE 23

Strathmore Unleashed. Canine-themed art exhibit at Strathmore. Opening reception on Thursday, May 3 from 7 to 9 p.m. A Yappy Hour is from 6 to 7 p.m. Well-socialized dogs are welcome in the Mansion for Yappy Hour. Call 301-581-5100 or visit www.strathmore.org.

SUNDAY/APRIL 29

Travilah Moves, Fun Run and Wellness Day. 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Will include a 1-Mile Fun Run and Dolphin Dash. Features health and fitness demos, classes, information and promotion items. Demos from Kicks Karate, Village Yoga, Brit-AM Soccer, Westleigh Swim and Tennis, Studio 310, Performance Sports Camps, Higher Level Basketball and more. Kaiser will have booths on pediatric education on nutrition, wellness, physical activity, oral care and more. At Travilah Elementary School. Contact: Farzaneh Riar at 240-388-1413 or email to: fmriar@gmail.com

Talk for Teens. 2 p.m. Free talk for all teens and twenty-somethings on how "You Are Enough," smart, successful, healthy, popular, and happy. At the Potomac Community Center, 11315 Falls Rd., Potomac. Discussion follows

over pizza. Sponsored by the Rockville Christian Science Church, 301-762-7049.

MAY 2 AND MAY 3

Festival of the Arts. 6 to 9 p.m. Walt Whitman High School hosts its 49th annual festival. Featuring student displays of painting, sculpture, drawing, photography, graphic design, ceramics, and digital and commercial art - with full evenings of choral, orchestral and jazz performances by more than 10 different Whitman ensembles and one-act plays developed by students in the drama department. At Walt Whitman High School, 7100 Whittier Blvd., Bethesda.

WEDNESDAY/MAY 2

Nitanju, Gospel. 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15. Nitanju Bolade Casel became a member of Sweet Honey In The Rock in 1985 after four years of studying, performing and cultural organizing in Dakar, Senegal. Her gospel-tinged performances evoke Africa and the African American experience. At the Mansion at Strathmore, 10701 Rockville Pike, North Bethesda. Call 301-581-5100 or visit www.strathmore.org.

THURSDAY/MAY 3

Abraham Inc. 8 p.m. Tickets are \$37. Musicians David Krakauer, Fred Wesley and Socalled bridge genres and shirk popular convention to create a masterly mash-up of klezmer, funk and hip-hop. At the Mansion at Strathmore, 10701 Rockville Pike, North Bethesda. Call 301-581-5100 or visit www.strathmore.org.

Slow Blues and Swing Dance.

Admission is \$8. Slow blues lesson from 8:15 to 9 p.m.; dancing from 9 to 11:30 p.m. With DJ Mike Marcotte and Guests. At the Back Room, Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Call Donna Barker at 301-634-2231 or go to info@CapitalBlues.org or www.CapitalBlues.org.



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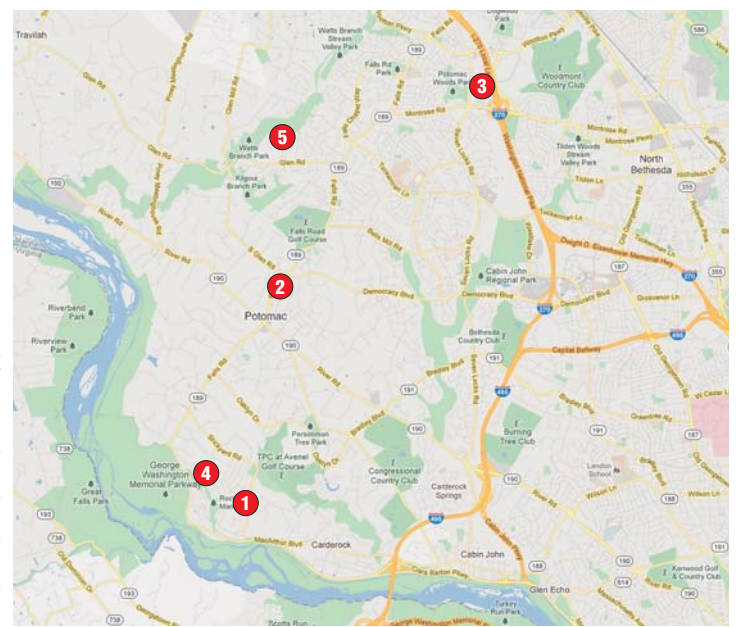
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REAL ESTATE

Sharon Kleinman, of Transitions in Potomac, chose green and brown fabrics for the master bedroom in the DC Design Home.



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DC Design Home Unveiled

Local designers makeover home to raise money for charity.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE CONNECTION

The 2012 DC Design House is open thanks to the work of some of the area's most sought-after interior designers. Twenty-three local tastemakers donated their time to makeover the 10,000 square-foot, seven-bedroom, seven-bathroom colonial brick structure.

They redesigned the home's interior, gardens, patios and decks. The result is an updated abode with decadent furnishings, many of which are available for purchase.

Among those chosen to redesign the home are Alexandria designers Victoria Sanchez of Victoria Sanchez Interiors, Nancy Twomey of Finnian's Moon Interiors and Shazalynn Cavin-Winfrey of SCW Interior; McLean-based designers Matthew Moore of John Matthew Moore Fine Art and Shanon Munn of Ambi Design Studio; Potomac-based designer Sharon Kleinman of Transitions by Sharon Kleinman; Great Falls-based designer Susan Nelson of Susan Nelson Interiors; Elizabeth Krial of

Elizabeth Krial Design in Reston; Annette Hannon of Annette Hannon Interior Design in Burke; and Allie Mann of Case/Design Remodeling, Inc. in Falls Church.

Here's what some designers had to say about the style techniques they incorporated in the rooms they created:

MASTER BEDROOM, by Sharon Kleinman of Transitions in Potomac — "I believe in creating interiors that want to be lived in not just admired," she said. "I think the best interiors evolve over time or at least look as if they have. In the master bedroom...I used modern pieces such as the custom bench with the acrylic base and combine it with an antique black lacquer wedding chest."

GIRL'S BEDROOM, by Susan Nelson of Susan Nelson Interiors in Great Falls — "I love updating a traditional look by bringing a

modern sensibility to a classic setting," she said. "My work is distinguished by the mixture of patterns, textures and colors to make each room unique."

DINING ROOM, by Shazalynn Cavin-Winfrey of SCW Interiors in Alexandria: "It is important to realize early on just what a house can hold as far as value and design aesthetic and clearly define this for each client," she said.

"In a show house where there aren't any real clients, I allow myself to recreate spaces from my own personal experiences and I often recreate spaces in which I envision a state of being."

PARLOR, by Annette Hannon of Annette Hannon Interior Design in Burke — "I've collaborated with talented manufacturers to create custom pieces...; chosen artwork that is varied yet cohesive, and filled in with vintage pieces and internet buys that evokes a room which has carefully evolved over time," she said. "No client wants a cookie cutter design, especially my imaginary ones!"

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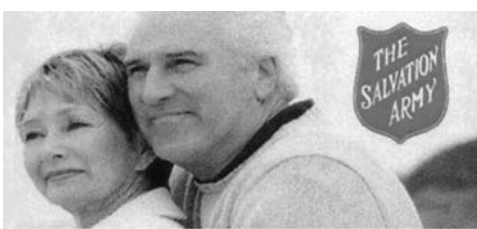
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By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Having recently upgraded my cell phone, I have finally, due to its larger keys and simplified data-entry process, learned how to enter "contacts" and their phone numbers as well as select some of these key contacts for speed-dialing. This relatively basic function, which had eluded me for years, has opened up a slew of possibilities, that even I can see will lessen the burden on my brain to remain engaged. Now I won't have to think nearly so much about what I've spent 40-plus years doing: dialing a phone number from memory and/or referring to a phone/address book for that number. Thanks to my new phone, I have finally turned the corner of technology. I have passed "Go." Next we'll see where I land: "Boardwalk" or "Baltic" and see if there is a monopoly of my time as a result.

One week into my new communication life, I have entered 16 contacts, some with only one phone number, others with mobile, home and work. In addition, I have entered/selected two speed-dial numbers. Obviously, I have ample space remaining for future contacts and certainly more space for speed-dials. Going through the list of prospective "speed-dialers" and "contacts-to-be," I have now reached a point where I'm sort of looking for people/numbers to add; I suppose you could say I've reached the second tier. I've already entered/allocated from the top tier (most called, most familiar, most logical: friends, family and business). Yet spots remain, so I've begun a mental search of who/what numbers might be cell phone-worthy (meaning whose phone numbers might I want to include in my cell phone) either as a "contact" or a "speed dial" since the process of doing so is now clearly within my rather limited abilities.

Two numbers that I've thought about adding – and which relate directly to this column's title, are my car's auto repair shop and my oncologist. I have most definitely entered them as contacts. However, given the semi-precarious nature of driving a car with 137,000 miles on the odometer, perhaps it would be prudent to assign a speed dial number to my mechanic. Not that I want to be calling him that often or have the circumstances be so time-sensitive that speed – in our ability to connect with one another over the phone – is of the essence but, hoping and praying don't necessarily make it so. And let's be honest, my car is not getting any newer.

I have similar feelings toward my oncologist. I don't want to have to/need to call him that quickly, but again, let's be realistic; I'm probably not getting any healthier. As such, if I did call him, presumably it wouldn't be to inquire about the weather; more likely it would be to inquire whether a new symptom or a deterioration of some kind relating to my being a stage IV lung cancer survivor (who has now outlived his original "13-month-to-two-year prognosis" by years) is significant. But if I'm being honest about my life/health circumstances, who better to call – and be able to call quickly and efficiently, than the doctor who is primarily responsible for my well-being/treatment? I don't want to feel this way, but if there's anything that seems increasingly more relevant (as I continue to live beyond my original prognosis), it would be to plan for circumstances that are beyond my control (although I'm not saying/admitting to their inevitability), especially if there are other people (close to me) who might need some assistance attempting to control those circumstances, should they occur.

Admitting to their significance – and need however, and in turn acting/planning on their behalf, so to speak, are tough pills to swallow. Never do I want to give credence to my original diagnosis and accept my fate, sort of. Nevertheless, organizing my phone to prepare for the worst, while still hoping for the best, might be the best way – for me, to take care of myself and those closest to me as well. But thinking that technology, specifically my phone, would play a major role in that task, is a really big surprise, all things considered.

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Churchill's Edens, Arthur-Williams Compete at Capital Classic

Edens scores 11 in win, Arthur-Williams grabs 7 rebounds in defeat.

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THE ALMANAC

Sam Edens came off the bench and rarely got to shoot. Sarafina Arthur-Williams wasn't relied upon to score.

Two of the best basketball players Churchill has to offer stepped outside of their usual Bulldog roles during the 39th Annual Capital Classic on April 21, but that didn't stop each from having an impact during the all-day all-star event at T.C. Williams High School in Alexandria.

The Capital Classic offered fans two girls' games in the afternoon, followed by a pair of boys' games in the evening. Edens competed in the first boys' game as a member of the Suburban All-Stars, which defeated the District All-Stars 109-100. Wearing his usual No. 44, Edens was one of three Montgomery County athletes to suit up for the Suburban All-Stars, along with Springbrook's Demetric Austin and Sherwood's Scott Bolen. Montrose Christian's Kevin Larsen competed for the District All-Stars, scoring 22 points on his way to game MVP honors.

Edens, the Bulldogs' leading scorer at more than 15 points per game during their run to a berth in the region final, didn't seem affected by coming off the bench. Despite limited touches, Edens buried a trio of 3-pointers and finished with 11 points.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Churchill Baseball Loses To RM, Beats WJ

Pitcher Kelby Spring and the Churchill baseball team were cruising against Richard Montgomery on April 19 and led 3-0 entering the fifth inning. The Bulldogs had handed Whitman its first loss of the season three days prior and it appeared there was potential to bounce back from the team's 2-6 start.

Then a sudden outburst of errors cost Churchill a victory.

The Bulldogs committed four errors in the fifth inning, leading to five Richard Montgomery runs as the Rockets pulled out a 5-4 win at Churchill High School. Spring had allowed just two hits through four innings, and RBIs from Danny Weiss and Hayden Saunderson gave the Bulldogs what appeared to be a secure advantage. But Churchill suddenly had problems fielding and throwing the baseball, which led to a fifth-inning collapse.

Matt O'Lone drove in a run with a sacrifice fly in the sixth, and Churchill had the



Churchill senior and Maryland All-Star Sarafina Arthur-Williams jumps to block West Springfield senior and Virginia All-Star Logan West Springfield during the Capital Classic on April 21.

"I knew I had to stay warm," Edens said. "I'm a shooter, so [when I] come in, I'm going to get an open shot I'm going to make it."

Eden's first 3-pointer came from the left wing early in the second quarter, giving the Suburban All-Stars a 29-25 lead. Moments later, he knocked down another from well behind the top of the arc, giving his team a 34-29 advantage. His final 3-pointer came from the left corner in the fourth quarter, and he finished his scoring with a steal and a layup with less than six minutes remaining.

tying run in scoring position with one out in the seventh, but couldn't force extra innings.

Churchill managed to regroup and defeat Walter Johnson 5-4 on April 21, improving its record to 4-7. The Bulldogs faced Wootton on April 24. Results were not available prior to The Almanac's deadline. Churchill will travel to face Gaithersburg at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 25 in a rematch of last year's region championship game.

Whitman Baseball Drops Second Straight

After starting 8-0, the Whitman baseball team suffered its second consecutive loss, falling to Bethesda-Chevy Chase 4-1 on April 18. Whitman committed five errors in the defeat.

Ryan McGill suffered the loss for the Vikings, allowing three runs — one earned — and six hits while walking two and striking out seven over six innings. The earned



Churchill senior Sam Edens scored 11 points and knocked down a trio of 3-pointers, helping the Suburban All-Stars beat the District All-Stars during the 39th Annual Capital Classic on April 21 at T.C. Williams High School in Alexandria.

"I was getting open shots and my open shots were falling," Edens said. "My teammates did a good job of finding me."

The District All-Stars pulled within six late in the game, but the Suburban squad held on for the win.

"Being in an all-star game is fun anyway," Edens said, "but getting a win is always a good thing."

Arthur-Williams played in the opening contest — a public school matchup between the Maryland All-Stars and the Virginia All-Stars. Wearing No. 14, Arthur-Williams

run was the first McGill has allowed this season.

Whitman faced Walter Johnson on April 24. Results were not available prior to The Almanac's deadline. The Vikings will travel to face Wheaton at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 26.

Churchill Boys' Lax Beats B-CC, RM

The Churchill boys' lacrosse team beat Bethesda-Chevy Chase 9-6 on April 17 and Richard Montgomery 15-2 on April 20.

Churchill travel to face Wootton at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 25.

Churchill Girls' Lax Improves to 7-1

The Churchill girls' lacrosse team defeated Bethesda-Chevy Chase 17-5 on April 18 and Richard Montgomery 16-14 on April 20 to improve to 7-1.

Churchill will host Wootton at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 25.

started alongside Paint Branch's Brigitte Ocran, Northwest's Carla Batchelor and Gaithersburg's Jackie Jackson and Colleen Marshall. The two teams had one practice apiece prior to the game, so it took awhile for players to settle into a groove. The Virginia All-Stars started to build a lead midway through the first quarter and cruised to a 74-49 victory.

"It was exciting because all the people I know and I've never played with played together," Arthur-Williams said. "... I know them and I play with half of them in AAU, but the fact that we haven't played together for a year or so, we were kind of off."

Arthur-Williams didn't get many offensive opportunities. Instead, the UNC-Greensboro-bound post player took care of the dirty work, setting screens and grabbing seven rebounds.

"It felt like AAU all over again," Arthur-Williams said. "In AAU we have a specific job and everyone does their job. For Churchill, it's more like, you're the good player on your team so this is what you have to do."

"I knew I had to stay warm. I'm a shooter, so [when I] come in, I'm going to get an open shot I'm going to make it."

— Churchill senior and Suburban All-Star Sam Edens



Kelby Spring and the Churchill baseball team lost to Richard Montgomery 5-4 on April 19.

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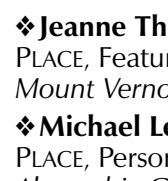
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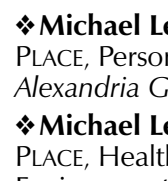
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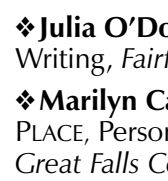
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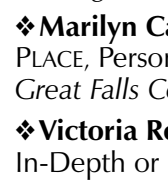
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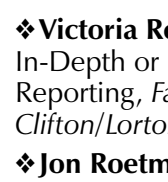
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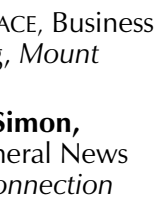
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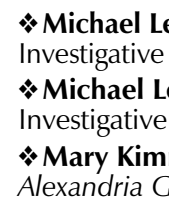


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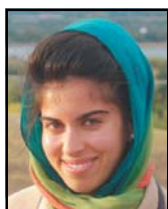
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