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Hundreds participated in last year's Clifton Caboose Twilight Run.

## It's a Race and a Picnic

### Clifton Caboose Twilight 5K is May 12.

By Bonnie Hobbs Centre View

nyone can hold a 5K race early in the morning, but the Town of Clifton does things differently. Its 15<sup>th</sup> annual Clifton Caboose Twilight Run is Saturday, May 12, with the 1-mile fun run/walk starting at 6 p.m., and the 5K, at 6:30 p.m.

It'll happen rain or shine; and in this competition, not only the winners receive prizes, but the last-place, or caboose, finisher also gets an award.

The course begins near the triangle intersection of Clifton and Newman Roads and Main Street and is popular with participants because of its scenic, country atmosphere. The route goes straight out Newman Road and back again; it's somewhat hilly and fairly challenging.

Last year's event attracted 378 participants — 99 in the 1-mile and 279 in the 5K — and race Chairman Gary Anderson expects even more this time. "This year, we'll have students from the running programs of two elementary schools, Fairview and Willow Springs," he said. "Both boys and girls, ages 8-10, will be in the 5K."

Registration is at www.signmeup.com/80841 until May 10. Entry fees are \$21 for the 5K and

\$15 for the 1-mile; but they increase to \$24 and \$18, respectively, after May 9. Race-day registration is from 4-5:30 p.m. at the barn at 7139 Main St.

Packet pick-up is Friday, May 11, from 5-7 p.m., at the barn, or on race day, just prior to the event. Participants will also receive a commemorative, Clifton Caboose T-shirt designed by residents Bill and Sam Ferrence. "It's a really nice design," said Anderson. "It's simply train tracks on a moss-green shirt so people can wear it other places, too."

The race is sponsored by the Clifton Betterment Association (CBA), dedicated to improving the Town of Clifton. This year's proceeds will go toward rewiring the town barn with electricity.

Parking is available at the end of Chapel Street, in the floodplain and at Clifton Elementary. Water will be provided along the course, and snacks such as fruit, cheese and rolls will be offered after the race. All children participating will receive Freeze Pops from The Clifton Store.

The Reston Runners Club manages the finish line and will record each runner's time via computer. Gift certificates and medals go to the top three male and female finishers. Medals are also awarded to the top two finishers in each age group. The top two CBA-member finishers receive medals, and a caboose award goes to the person coming in last. In the fun run/walk, all finishers are given ribbons.

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## 'Glimmer of Hope For the Future'

Local man in May 5 VisionWalk.

> By Bonnie Hobbs Centre View

entreville's John McKeown has never seen his children's faces and he always pictures his wife as being 28. That's because retinitis pigmentosa (RP) — a genetic condition causing degeneration of the retina and eventual vision loss — caused him to go blind.

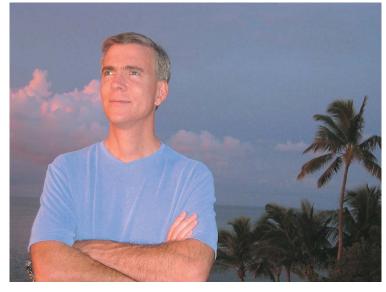
But buoyed by recent advances in this field, he hopes there'll someday be a cure for him and others. And toward this end, he and his wife are co-chairing the seventh annual Northern Virginia VisionWalk, this Saturday, May 5. It's at the Lake Newport Swim Club at Brown's Chapel Park, 11601 Lake Newport Road in Reston. Registration is at 8:45 a.m.; the walk starts at 10 a.m. Or register or donate at www.VisionWalk.org.

This free, family-friendly, 5K walk-a-thon also includes children's activities, a moonbounce, refreshments and entertainment. Participants may form teams or walk independently, and dogs and strollers are welcome

Hosted by the nonprofit Foundation Fighting Blindness, the event's goal is to raise \$160,000 for research leading to the prevention, treatment and cure of all retinal-degenerative diseases. They currently affect more than 10 million Americans — people of all ages, races and ethnicities.

Since it began in 2006, VisionWalk has raised more than \$20 million to fund sight-saving

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John McKeown

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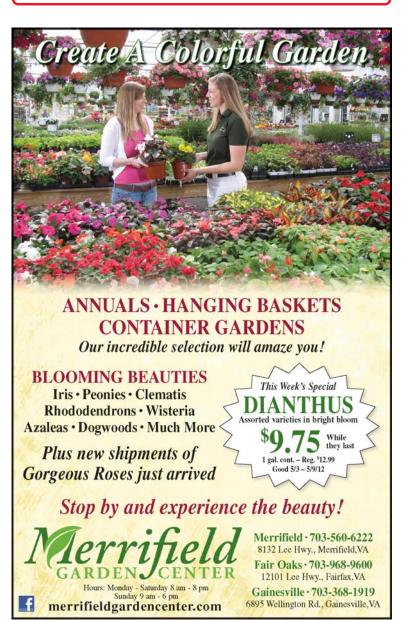
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## News

### Three Years Probation for Marriage Fraud

Centreville resident Yong Hyon Kim, 50, was sentenced in federal court to probation following his conviction for conspiracy to commit marriage fraud and making false statements to federal agents.

Kim — both a Korean national and a lawful, permanent U.S. resident - was indicted Nov. 17, 2011 by a federal grand jury on those two charges, as well as alien harboring, inducing an alien to come to the United States and immigration document fraud.

Kim owns the 395 Collision Center in Springfield and, in a statement of facts filed Jan. 19 with his plea agreement, he admitted recruiting his general manager to enter into a fraudulent marriage with his (Kim's) girlfriend so she could remain in the U.S. She was actually an illegal alien from South Korea.

After the marriage, Kim then helped his girlfriend obtain immigration benefits and purposely misled U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services into believing that the marriage was legitimate.

In addition, Kim lied to federal agents who were investigating the fraudulent marriage when he claimed that he was not dating his girlfriend. Authorities said he agreed to forfeit more than \$29,000, as well as the Mercedes that he used for transporting his girlfriend.

Kim pleaded guilty, Jan. 19, in U.S. District Court in Alexandria before Judge Anthony J. Trenga. He returned for sentencing on April 13 and, at that time, he was placed on three years probation.

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement investigated this case. Special Assistant U.S. Attorneys Michael J. Frank and James S. Yoon prosecuted it on behalf of the United States.

Bonnie Hobbs

#### CRIME REPORT

Activities reported by the Sully police department through April 27.

#### **ASSAULT**

#### Flagg Court/ Mason Dixon Drive,

April 19, 8 p.m. The victim, a 42year-old man, was found severely beaten. He was treated for his nonlife threatening injuries. A possible suspect was identified.

#### **BURGLARY**

#### 5800 block of Watermark Circle,

April 19, 8 p.m. The victim reported someone had entered their home and stolen a laptop computer and other electronics. It is believed entry was made through the garage door.

## Celebrating Centreville's Diversity

he Centreville Immigration Forum (CIF) held its third annual International Dance and Music Festival, on Friday night, April 27, at Centreville's Fire Station 17.

"This evening is a celebration of Centreville's diverrsity and the richness it brings to this community," said CIF President Alice Foltz. "Some of

he Centreville Immigration Forum tonight's performers are the laborers available for (CIF) held its third annual Internation hire at the Centreville Labor Resource Center."

The event included a silent auction, plus a sale of art and clothing made by the workers. "Tonight's about fun," said Sully District Supervisor Michael Frey. "We cherish our diversity and enjoy learning about our different foods, cultures and music and also sharing our commonalities."





Doing the Guatemalan
Dance of the Monkeys.

Miki Carrillo and Javier
Vasquez, from Ixil, Guatemala, entertain as clowns.



Hilda Ventura and daughter Isabella perform a Mexican dance.



Jazmin Rocha did a dance from Jalisco, Mexico, with Arnoldo Borja (not pictured).



Centreville High's Amy Shin, Carina Kang, Grace Jung, Sallie Kim and Stella Kim (in no particular order) dance to two Korean pop songs.



People bid on silent-auction items.



Twin sisters Sanyuktha and Sanjana Srikanth of London Towne Elementary perform an Indian dance.



These Centreville residents originally from Ixil, Guatemala, did the Dance of the Monkeys which honors animals important to the Mayan culture.



Korean Central Presbyterian Church members sing and play songs on the harmonica and guitar.

## Roundups

### Centreville Man Is Assaulted

City of Fairfax police have charged a Fairfax resident with felony malicious wounding in connection with an April 24 assault on a 42-year-old Centreville man. Arrested was Chan Young Kim, 47, of Whitemore Place.

Police say that, on that date, the victim reported he'd been involved in a fight, around 11:30 a.m., with

a man who'd allegedly "punched him repeatedly in the face, knocked him to the ground and kicked him." According to police, after a witness tried to intervene, the suspect reportedly "retrieved a golf club from his car and struck the victim several times."

The alleged incident occurred in the parking lot of the Korean BBQ at 4060 Jermantown Road in Fairfax. The suspect then fled in his vehicle. The victim declined transport to a hospital, and the suspect later met with an officer at the scene and was taken into custody. Kim was then ordered held without bond in the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. He has a June 12 court date.

### Shape Virginia's Transportation Future

The Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) will hold a pub-

lic hearing on Virginia's Draft Six-Year Improvement Program, which allocates \$10.6 billion in funding to transportation improvements over the next six fiscal years, beginning July 1. Funding goes toward highway, rail, transit, bicycle, pedestrian and other transportation improvements across the state. The meeting is Thursday, May 3, at 5:30 p.m., at VDOT's Northern Virginia District Office, 4975 Alliance Drive in Fairfax. (Off West Ox Road, across from Costco).

The public may comment about rail, public transportation, bicycle, pedestrian and highway projects (except local/secondary roads), and these comments will be considered before the board adopts a final program in June.

The draft six-year program is online at http://syip.virginiadot.org/Pages/allProjects.aspx.

The Northern Virginia District draft is available at http://syip.virginiadot.org/reports/192/06-FY13-DRAFT-NOVA.pdf.

Citizens may send their comments by May 18 to: Public Information Office, Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation, 600 E. Main St., Suite 2102, Richmond, VA 23219 or to drptpr@drpt.virginia.gov.

## Free Carseat Inspections

Certified technicians from the Sully District Police Station will perform free, child safety carseat inspections Thursday, May 3 and May 17, from 5-8:30 p.m., at the station, 4900 Stonecroft Blvd. in Chantilly. No appointment is necessary. But residents should install the child safety seats themselves so technicians may properly inspect and adjust them, as needed.

However, because of time constraints, only the first 35 vehicles arriving on each date will be inspected. That way, inspectors may have enough time to properly instruct the caregiver on the correct use of the child seat. Call 703-814-7000, ext. 5140, to confirm dates and times.

### Walney Celebrates 30 Years

The Fairfax County Park Authority Board invites the community to come celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Walney Visitor Center at Ellanor C. Lawrence Park in Chantilly. The festivities are this Saturday, May 5, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., with a brief ceremony in the amphitheater at 10:30 a.m.

The day's fun includes homemade ice cream, butter churning, farm animals, costumed interpreters, Colonial carpentry, and guided nature and history walks. The park is off Route 28 North at 5040 Walney Road. For information about the ceremony, call 703-324-8666.

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## VisionWalk Raises Funds for Eye Disease Research

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research, and McKeown, 50, of the Rocky Run community, is eager to do his part.

"I want to help out and raise awareness," he said. "The developments and clinical trials in just the last 18 months are really breathtaking. A boy in Philadelphia was treated for a form of RP at age 9, and doctors were successful in reversing it bit — and that's never happened before. So there's a lot of excitement about that in the RP community, and the key is the funding for the research and clinical trials."

RP is hereditary, passed on through a recessive gene, and it first surfaced in McKeown's family when his older brother was 4 or 5. "He had trouble seeing at night and was then diagnosed," said McKeown. "Back then, there was no research going on for this. They just told my parents he was going to go blind. Today he's married and works in Denver for the Treasury Department."

## "RP is not my identity — it's just something I have."

— John McKeown, VisionWalk co-chairman

The same thing later happened to McKeown. "But fortunately, growing up, my vision was good enough that I could still read and keep my condition hidden from most people." At college, he had a hard time seeing the blackboard and it took him longer to do his work that it did other people. But he graduated from Virginia Tech

with a degree in mechanical engineering.

He's worked for GTSI, a government contracting company, for 25 years. As a data architect, he turns data into usable information. He telecommutes a couple days a week and, the other days, his wife drives him to and from the office.

"GTSI's been very supportive and provided me with specialized, adaptive equipment," said McKeown. "I use software that's really cool and reads what's on the screen to me. So I can use the Internet and do what I need to do for my job; it's fabulous technology."

He and his wife Linda, a travel agent, married when he was 34. "She's an exceptional

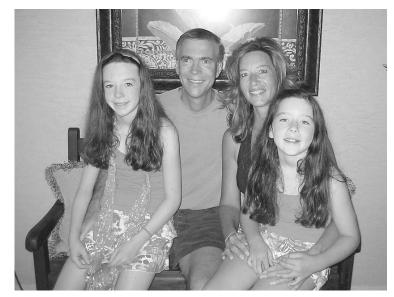
woman; I definitely married up," said McKeown. "She knew what she was getting into and still said yes." Two years later, he started not being able to recognize faces; and in November 1998, his RP had pro-

gressed to the point where he started using a white cane.

Still, the disease hasn't stopped him from living or enjoying his life to the fullest. "My parents always encouraged me to give things a try," he said. "RP is not my identity — it's just something I have." And despite it all, he considers himself fortunate. "I don't have ALS [Lou

Gehrig's disease] or terminal cancer," said McKeown. "And I'm able to work at my job and provide for my family."

Now married 16 years, he and Linda are the parents of two daughters, Jenna, 13, an eighth-grader at Rocky Run Middle, and Anna, 10, a Bull Run Elementary fourthgrader. He's active in their lives and activities and, last summer, they vacationed in



From left are Jenna, John, Linda and Anna McKeown.

Europe together.

McKeown loves reading and listens to books via a digital download on a specialized player. He also plays guitar and piano. "I took lessons on both and have enough knowledge of music theory that I can hear what a song should sound like and figure out the keys," he said.

But he's far from a couch potato; in fact, he's pretty adventurous. He's ridden a snow-mobile driven by Linda through Yellowstone National Park, skied in Colorado (with a guide) at the National Sports Center for the Disabled and engaged in aerial dogfighting as a passenger in a combat plane. Since his condition prevents him from earning a private pilot's license, he instead wrote soft-

ware simulating air traffic at Dulles International Airport.

At last year's VisionWalk, McKeown's wife surprised him for his 50<sup>th</sup> birthday by inviting his relatives and high-school and college friends from eight different states to participate along with their family. "About 50 people came," he said. "I'm so blessed."

This time, their \$5K Challengers team hopes to raise \$5,000. About 35 teams are participating at Reston; to donate to his team, go to www.fightingblindness.org/novavisionwalk.

"When one of my girls was little, I talked to someone on the phone and said, 'See you

later," said McKeown. "She asked why I said that, and I said I didn't know. But in the past few years, I've really begun to believe there's a good chance in my lifetime that it may be true someday. I might go from 'See you later' to 'See you soon' to 'It's nice to see you."

"I've never let myself entertain that idea before," he continued. "But lately, with some of these breakthroughs, I'm allowing myself to dream. It's fun to see my kids catch that spirit, too. And maybe in a few years, I'll be able to see them."

But even if it doesn't come to pass, McKeown will still consider himself lucky.

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The McKeowns' 2011 Vision Walk team; John and Linda are to the right of man in "Bill McKeown" T-shirt.



Linda and John McKeown with (from left) daughters Anna and Jenna last summer in Sorrento, Italy.

## OPINION

## Reminders to Press Ahead for Housing

## Spring discussion on hypothermia shelters could help preparations for winter.

n February, 2007, 59-year-old Robert Bruce Miller was found dead outdoors in Chantilly. Miller was homeless, known to businesses and residents in the area. He died of hypothermia, exposure to the cold.

Since that time, houses of worship and non-profit organizations have stepped into the gap, providing shelter from the storm on a "no-turn-away" basis from November to March.

In Fairfax County, about 35 houses of worship provide shelter to approximately 1,000 homeless men and women during the winter months. Each year, various churches, synagogues, mosques and temples take turns providing space to provide food and shelter for the homeless population during the winter months. Last year, there were no hypothermia-related deaths reported. Similar programs operate in Arlington and Alexandria.

An alarm went up over the past month as some churches that have been providing hypothermia shelter heard that they could be barred from providing the service due to fire-

code violations. While some faith leaders said they had heard as many as 18 would be unable to reopen, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova said that

pervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova said that just four might have insurmountable fire code violations for serving as emergency shelters. Obviously no one wants to put both church volunteers and those seeking shelter at risk.

EDITORIAL

"Fairfax County has a unique partnership with our faith communities and non-profits. We are committed to serving the homeless population in a way that is compassionate and ensures their safety," Bulova said.

It's important to recognize that providing shelter from life-threatening conditions is in fact a government function. Faith-based organizations and nonprofits are stepping in on this issue and many others to provide leadership, inspiration and services, saving local governments enormous sums of money.

The county should consider if it might be appropriate for firehouses with capacity might be open in rotation as hypothermia shelters,

staffed with church volunteers, if some churches cannot make the changes needed by fire code regulations.

More important is to recognize the need for hypothermia shelters as an indicator that we have not ended homelessness. Providing housing first to people who need a variety of services saves money and makes the most effective use of scarce resources.

Amanda Andere, head of FACETS, Catherine Hudgins, member of the Board of Supervisors, and others reminded the group concerned about the shelters that the real issue is housing

"Shelter is a temporary solution. We need housing," Andere said.

It is telling that many services are provided to the homeless men and women who come to the hypothermia shelters.

Housing advocates continue to press for more affordable housing. It's a goal that is urgent to keep in mind as Fairfax County looks at what is likely to be its last massive growth in development, the increased density and building around the county's coming Metrorail stations.

— Mary Kimm,

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## Social Change Expands Charitable Giving

fter hosting a 7th bake sale in two years and raising over \$10,000 for Cookies for Kids Cancer, Centreville resident Julie Sussman decided that it was time to turn the table, so to speak, on her generous and loyal bake sale friends, and allow them to raise money for something they believed in.

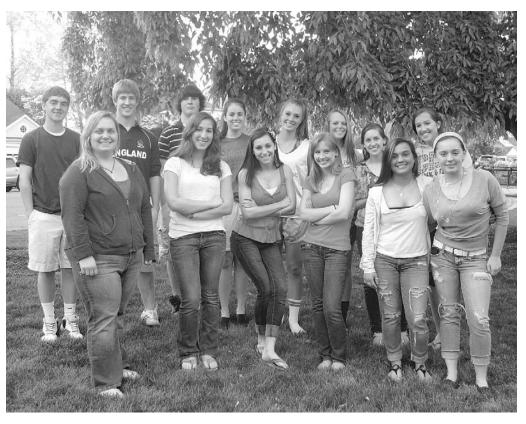
"I knew that I wasn't the only one who had a charity near and dear to my heart and I thought it was only fair to give others the chance to raise money, too," said Sussman, the New York Times bestselling co-author of the "Dare to Repair" series of books for women. "I asked my dear friend, Marianne Cappa, a fellow Centreville resident, to help me get it started."

The charitable club, Social Change, launched its first event in March 2011 at Cappa's home.

Social Change is a charity-based, non-denominational club whose mission is to raise money and awareness for those in need, whether it's a national organization, or a neighbor next door. Like Bunco, Keno, and book clubs, Social Change meets once-a-month with a different volunteer hosting each time. To attend the event, members must bring a \$5 cash donation (no checks). The host collects the money and makes the donation to his/her charity of choice.

Social Change offers men and women the opportunity to learn about national and local non-profit organizations, as well as individuals who are facing financial challenges. It also offers members a chance to make new friends and possibly network for their careers.

Social Change was officially 1-year old in March. In that time, Social Change members have hosted fundraising events for Safechild.org; The Leukemia & Lymphoma



Inaugural Social Change teen members include (front row) Rachel Harris, Julie Pociask, Maggie Hutzel, Christina Mirda, Bianca Blazquez, Lauren Stull, (back row) Matt Palermo, William Johnston, James Johnston, Christy Quetsch, Taylor Kolb (Teen Founder), Katie Schule, Jenna Scherbenske and Ashley Scherbenske.

Society; Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention; National Multiple Sclerosis Society; Roma Gypsies, Romania; Freedom Petals; Fight Like a Lyon Memorial; The Up Center; Dunn Loring Fire House/ToysforTots; DCCandlelighters.org; Lupus Foundation of America & Go4theGoal; The Whole In Autism, and National Brain Tumor Society.

For more information contact Julie Sussman: julie@socialchange.us.com.

## Schools

## Bull Run Girls Checkmate National Competition

Elementary School students won the All-Girls, 10 Years and Younger(10U), National Championship. Maggie Luo, Neha Pattanaik, Varsha Venkatesh, and Amy Luo traveled to Chicago and represented Bull Run in this threeday championship. Bull Run was in first place most of the way. However by the last round, it looked like Weibel Elementary of Fremont, Calif. would catch and pass Bull Run for first place. It took an upset victory by Maggie Luo to keep Bull Run ahead of Weibel and claim first place for the school.

The three-day tournament included six rounds of play with each round lasting 3 hours.

There were 246 girls at the tournament in Chicago; 59 players competed in the 10U section. Team scores are based on the scores of the top three players for each school.

Maggie Luo defeated the second strongest player in 10U to secure

his past weekend, Bull first place for Bull Run. Varsha Run Elementary Venkatesh also scored an upset victory over a much stronger player from Weibel to help hold the Caligor (10U), National fornia school at bay.

Maggie Luo won the 5th place individual trophy. Neha Pattanaik was right behind Maggie and claimed the 6th place trophy. Varsha Venkatesh played her best tournament ever and increased her chess rating to a personal high.

Virginia has a history of strong chess-playing girls. This year Virginia girls claimed four of the top 11 spots; no other state did better

Weibel was last year's 10U winner; all the girls from that team returned this year.

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#### SATURDAY/MAY 5

Book Talk and Signing. 1 to 3 p.m. Free. With author Victoria Christopher Murray on her newly released novel, Sinners and Saints. Sponsored by the Fairfax County Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. At the Sully Government Center, 4900 Stonecroft Blvd., Chantilly.

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#### MAY 5 AND MAY 6

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#### MONDAY, MAY 7

Cotillions Reception. 7:30 p.m. The National League of Junior Cotillions will hold a Parents' at the Old Town Hall, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. Junior Cotillion, a youth etiquette and ballroom dance program, invites parents of rising 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students to a Parents' Reception that will include demonstrations of the skills that are taught in the program and light refreshments. Established in 1978, NLJC has over 450 chapters in nearly 30 states. Contact Michelle Ly at 703-593-0931 or michelle.ly@thelygroup.net.

#### THURSDAY/MAY 10

Liberty Republican Women's Club. 5:30 p.m. Meeting at the home of JoAnn Plitt, 13766 Cabells Mill Dr., Centreville. Guests will enjoy a BBQ dinner, followed by guest speaker Sabrina Schaeffer, executive director of International Women's Forum, a non-partisan research and educational institution who seek to cultivate support for principles of economical freedom and encourage women to be involved in returning our country to limited constitutional government. Contact 703-378-4190.

CVHS Spring Band Concert. 7 p.m. Free. At the Centreville High School Auditorium. This will be the last chance to use your TAG from this year's Music Department fundraiser.

FACETS Opening Doors Breakfast. 7 to 9 a.m. To inform the community about poverty and homelessness efforts in Fairfax. At the Waterford at Fair Oaks, 12025 Lee Jackson Memorial Highway. To register, visit www.FACETSCares.org or contact Stacy Boden at sboden@facetscares.org or 703-352-3268.

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#### **SATURDAY/MAY 12**

Fairfax Symphony Orchestra. 8 p.m. George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. With pianist Adam Golka. Britten's Sinfonia da Requiem, Debussy's La Mer, Ravel's Concerto for the Left Hand, and Elgar's Enigma Variations. Free pre-concert discussion for ticketholders at 7 p.m. Tickets \$25-\$55. info@fairfaxsymphony.org.

**Clifton Caboose Twilight Run.** 6 p.m. Register now at www.signmeup.com/80841

Chantilly Day Festival. 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Featuring a parade, a "Taste of Chantilly" food and drink expo, a children's carnival, performance stage, classic car show, business fair, awards ceremony, sunset concert and more. This free event will support a number of organizations, including Chantilly High School and Westfield High School, that will be gearing up for a Battle of the Bands. The event expects to draw 20,000 attendees and over 100 community businesses participants. At the Sully Place Shopping Center in Chantilly. The festival parade will begin at 9:30am and is open to all community groups who wish to participate. The main festival activities will go from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (followed by a sunset concert), taking place in the parking lots near Babies R Us, K-Mart and Lotte. The detailed schedule of events for Chantilly Day is as follows:

- Parade (9:30 a.m.)
- Business Fair (10 a.m.-4 p.m.)Taste of Chantilly (11 a.m.-4 p.m.)
- Car Show (11 a.m.-3 p.m. with awards at 3 p.m.)
- Children's Carnival (11 a.m. 4 p.m.)
- Main Stage entertainment (11 a.m. 4 p.m.)
  Other Performances (11 a.m. 4 p.m.)
- Sunset Concert (4-6 p.m.)
- Chantilly-Centreville Chamber of Commerce Awards (12

Any individuals interested in entering the car show, marching in the parade, providing a silent auction item or asking any questions should contact the event organizers at info@chantillyday.com. The event website also has registration information at www.chantillyday.com.

#### WEDNESDAY/MAY 16

Talk on Rheumatoid Arthritis. 7 to 8:30 p.m. At the Chantilly Regional Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road, Chantilly. The seminar is part of its free Spring 2012 Seminars for Family Caregivers series. Register online (go to www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/olderadultservices and link to caregiver series), email caregiver@fairfaxcounty.gov, or call 703-324-5205, TTY 711.

#### THURSDAY/MAY 17

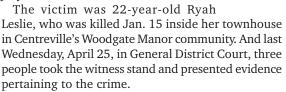
Clifton Charity Homes Tour. 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The Clifton Community Woman's Club (CCWC) presents its 40th Annual Charity Homes Tour, Marketplace and Silent Auction Fundraiser in the surroundings of historic Clifton. Visitors will enjoy diverse homes situated around the area. Culminating the event will be the "Wine Down" from 3 to 6 p.m., featuring live music and the Silent Auction Fundraiser at the Paradise Spring Winery. Advance Tickets \$25; Day of Tour Tickets \$30; Single Home Admission \$10. Lunch will be available at Clifton eateries. The Paradise Springs Winery will also be offering box lunches with a prior RSVP by calling 703-830-9463. For location of ticket sales, visit www.cliftoncwc.org. Or contact Chairperson JoAnne Gallo (jgallo.jbg@verizon.net) or Co-Chairperson Diane Smith (mds727@cox.net)

## Murder Case Goes to Grand Jury

### Testimony heard about Centreville woman's death.

By Bonnie Hobbs CENTRE VIEW

ressed in the green outfit of a Fairfax County prisoner, Benjamin Luke Walker listened in court last week while others testified during his preliminary hearing. When they were done, Judge Michael Cassidy sent Walker back to jail and certified the murder case against him to the grand jury.



The first was county Deputy Sheriff David Webb, who was working at the Adult Detention Center's pre-release center, Jan. 15, around 1 p.m. He pointed out Walker in court and said Walker had approached him that day and asked to speak with a police of-

"I told him I was a deputy and could help him," said Webb. "He said he'd like to report a murder, and I handed him a pad to write down the address. I asked him if he knew who the murderer was, and his response was, 'I did the killing."

After having Webb identify that piece of paper, Chief Deputy Commonwealth's Attorney Casey Lingan introduced it into evidence. Webb also stated that Walker, 22, didn't have any visible injuries that he could see.

Under cross examination from defense attorney Crystal Meleen, Webb said he could smell alcohol on Walker's breath from about a foot away. "I asked him if he'd been drinking, and he said, 'The night before," said Webb. He noted that, after contacting his supervisor about the situation, he was advised to take Walker into custody, so he handcuffed him. Police later charged Walker with murder.

Leslie lived in the townhouse with three other roommates — her boyfriend, Travis Jordan, Walker



and a man named Tristan Kennedy. Her bedroom was in the basement, and the others lived upstairs. In court, Jordan said he and Leslie dated and, after being shown the address Walker wrote on the note to the deputy, Jordan said it was their address.

He testified that, on Jan. 15, shortly after 3 a.m., Leslie "came into my room and into my bed, and it woke me up. She was drunk, and I asked her to go downstairs to her bedroom and she did. I only saw her for a minute or two." He

said he then went back to sleep.

That was the last time he saw Leslie alive. That afternoon, between 1:20 p.m. and 1:30 p.m., said Jordan, "I got a phone call and a text message that led me to believe I should go check on her wellbeing. I opened her bedroom door and saw her sitting on the ground against the mattress."

He said Leslie had a big cut on her neck. "I placed my right hand on her right leg and realized she wasn't wearing any panties," said Jordan. "Her right hand was covered with blood. The reality of what happened hadn't hit me, yet, until I looked into her eyes and saw she was no longer with us."

Upset, he threw his cell phone and went into Kennedy's room upstairs and told him, and then Kennedy called the police. Jordan said Walker wasn't in the house and he hadn't seen him since the day

Police searched the townhouse that afternoon at 4:28 p.m. Among the items they seized were knives from the dishwasher, the basement and Walker's bedroom, plus a box cutter from his bedroom.

County police homicide Det. Rich Mullins, the lead detective in the murder investigation, testified last. He said he attended Leslie's autopsy, performed by Dr. Shane Chittenden, and then Lingan entered the coroner's autopsy report into evidence.

After that, Judge Cassidy found probable cause that Walker committed the crime of which he's accused and certified his case to the next grand jury for possible indictment.

#### SCHOOL NOTES

Local Fairfax County Public Schools students won top honors in their categories at the 48th annual SkillsUSA Virginia State Leadership and Skill Conference held recently in Hampton.

First place winners included:

\* Alexandra Flevarakis of Chantilly Academy, first place in Animal Science.

**Sam Meono of Chantilly Acad**emy, first place in Culinary Arts.

First place finishers will advance to the National SkillsUSA Conference and Competition in Kansas City, Mo., in

Meredith Rigby of Clifton was named to Susquehanna University's dean's list for the fall 2011 semester. Rigby, a sophomore majoring in communications, is a 2010 graduate of Centreville High School and the daughter of Susan and Peter Rigby

Soojin Park, a resident of Centreville, has been named to the Cornell University College of the Arts and Sciences' Dean's List for Fall Semester 2011.

Local Residents, Jed Lingat and

Sean Wolford of Centreville earned a place on the dean's List at Berklee College of Music.

Danielle Marie Martin of ing.

Centreville has been named to the President's List at Clemson University for the fall 2011 semester.

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## Scheduled Activities Include

**Parade** 9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Business Fair 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Pet Adoption** 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Taste of Chantilly 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

**Car Show** 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Children's Fair** 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Main Stage Entertainment 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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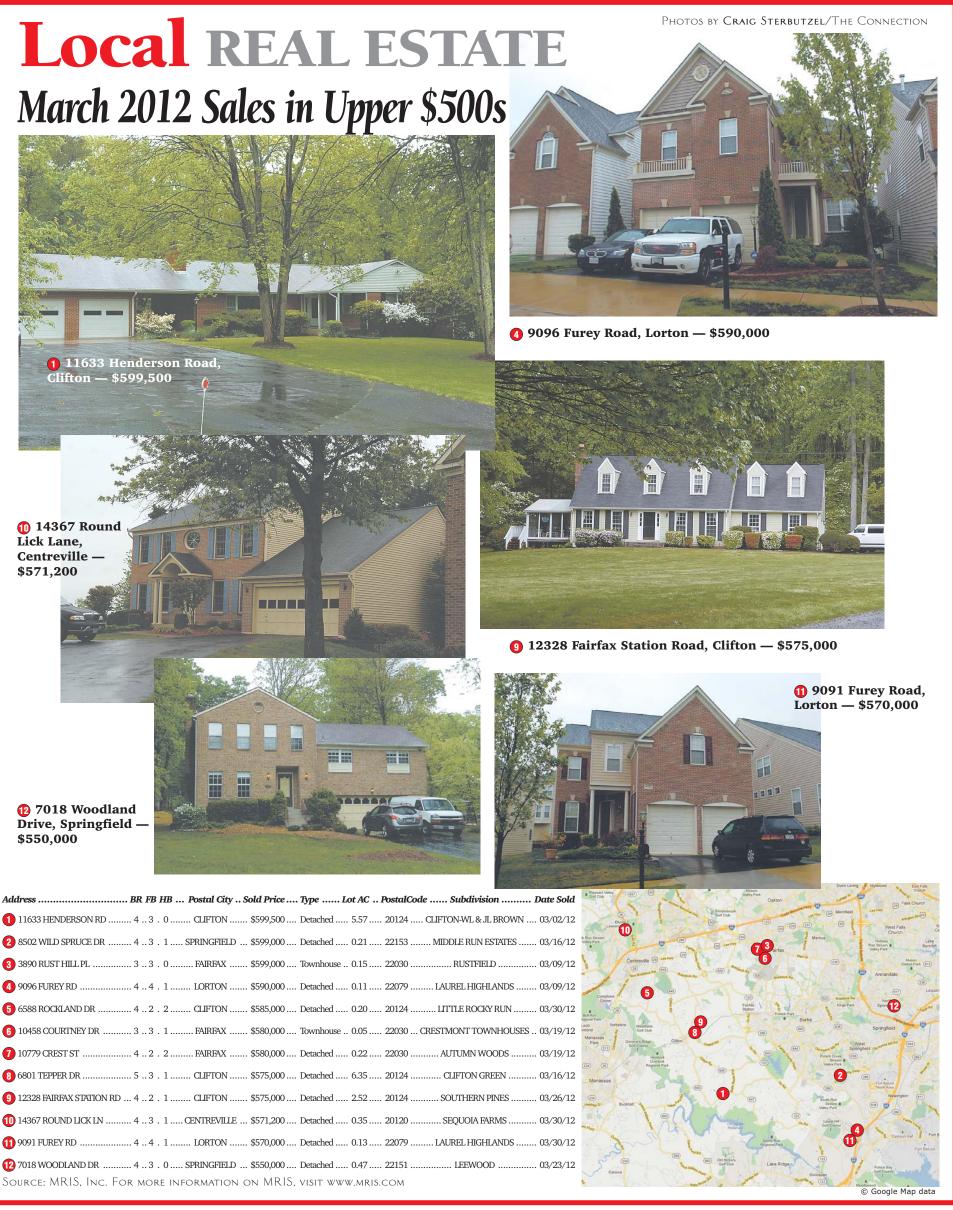
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## Clifton Celebrates Its 110<sup>th</sup> Birthday

### Bench dedicated in couple's memory.

By Bonnie Hobbs Centre View

ith balloons, two cakes and a benchdedication, residents gathered Saturday afternoon, April 21, in the town park to celebrate Clifton's 110th birthday. Attendees included state Sen. George Barker (D-39th); Peter Noonan, FCPS Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services, and former town Mayor Jim Chesley, all of whom live in Clifton.

Kicking off the event was the dedication of a bench by the gazebo to longtime Clifton residents Paul and Louise Longerbeam. Louise died 23 years ago, and Paul died three years ago, but both left their mark on the town.

"They were neighbors of my mother-in-law's," said Ouinn McGrael, who organized the dedication. "Louise's family has been in this area for well over 100 years. Paul came here in 1932 at age 13. He had to support his family after his father left, so he worked on local farms for a dollar a day."

Eventually, he and Louise met and fell in love and were married 40 years. "Paul was known by many in the 1950s and '60s as the best carpenter in Fairfax County," said McGrael. "He was also a selfless person. After working all week, he'd still help people and give them advice for free. He was also instrumental in the building of the original Clifton firehouse and recreation hall."

McGrael said Louise was also giving and charitable. "She baked pies and brought food to poor families in the area," he said. "She gave them presents at Christmastime, donated clothing to them and even gave them money to make ends meet."

Therefore, said McGrael, "I thought people should recognize all they did, and I wanted them to be remembered." So now they will be, by virtue of an inscribed plaque on the bench. People who knew the Longerbeams, as well as the Clifton Betterment Association (CBA), contributed the approximately \$900 that funded the bench's purchase and installation.



Residents enjoy birthday cake and lemonade in the Clifton Town Park.

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Chilling on the newly dedicated bench are Quinn McGrael, daughter Abby, 7, and twin sons Aidan (on left) and Evan, 3. (Not pictured is mom Wendy.)

"Paul and Louise spent much of their lives helping others because they believed it was the right thing to do," said McGrael. "So we dedicate this bench to express Clifton's gratitude for their decades of public service and for the many lives that have been touched and improved by this most generous couple."

## Clifton Caboose Twilight 5K Is May 12

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But the good times won't end when the race is over, because everyone who attended may join the party afterward at the barn. Parents are encouraged to bring picnic suppers and beverages for children. The celebration also features music by a live band, the City-Dwelling Nature Seekers, which performs folk and rock music.

This year is Anderson's eighth as race chairman, with help from town residents Michelle Stein and Steve Bittner. In January, they pick a race date and get onto local race calendars so runners may find and prepare for this event. In the spring, they alert businesses and residents along Newman Road that it'll be closed to traffic during the race. Also lending support are the volunteers and CBA, plus resident Fred Ansick, who helps mark the course and gets the VDOT permit for the road closure.

"Nobody officially asks me to be chairman, so I don't get an opportunity to say no," joked Anderson.

"But it's a fun event and I just want to see it continue. Plus, I get help from everybody."

The race attracts participants from places including Maryland and North Carolina. And many contact Anderson afterward and tell him how much they enjoyed visiting Clifton and being in the Caboose Run. "One man e-mailed me to say, 'Who wants to get up early in the morning and run a race?" said Anderson. "And the party afterward makes it for a lot of people."

This will be the first time the twilight race will be held in May, instead of June. "We moved it because of conflicts with other June events, such as the Wine Festival," said Anderson. "And I'm hopeful that, because it's a little earlier, the weather this year will be on the cooler side."

Hoping as many people as possible register for the event, he said, "We raise more funds for the community when we have more participants. And we also have more fun — the more, the merrier."

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## News

## 'Glimmer of Hope for the Future'

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They also said yes when the Foundation asked them to co-chair the walk. "If we could make a small difference to make this year's walk a success, we wanted to do it," she said. She also said John's blindness is just a normal part of their lives.

"He makes people feel comfortable around him

because he doesn't dwell on it," said Linda. "And they go out of their way to speak with him because they like him so much. He also tells me how beautiful I am, and he truly believes it and means it. I'm constantly amazed by John, and I think our children are more compassionate people because of him."

She said they've both learned a great deal through his condition. "You think how devastating it can be for parents to have their young child diagnosed with [RP]," said Linda. "But if we can show them what a normal life John has had, it can give them encouragement and a glimmer of hope for their child's future. You just have to believe in yourself and that there's a way to get through it."

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## WELLBEING

## Safety Net Clinics Seek Doctors

Specialty care physicians and other medical professionals needed to serve low income, uninsured patients.

> BY MARILYN CAMPBELL Centre View

hen Marie Markey of Alexandria retired from U.S. Air Force as a physical therapist, she rolled up her sleeves and went to work helping those in need. Markey works as a volunteer twice each week at the Arlington Free Clinic, offering physical therapy to the clinic's low income and uninsured patients.

"The clinic fills a huge gap," said Markey. "We have people who walk in who don't have access to medical care for basic illnesses like high blood pressure and diabetes."

Markey is motivated by a sense of responsibility to give back to the community. "If everyone did their part, the world would be better place," she said. "I had a patient once who was a construction worker. He'd had back surgery and needed physical therapy to recover fully. He didn't have insurance and couldn't afford to pay for therapy. If he hadn't received free therapeutic services to help him recover, he would have lost his job."

NOVA SPECIALTY ACCESS, a project of the Northern Virginia Health Services Coalition is looking for more volunteers like Markey to provide medical services to low-income, uninsured patients from local "safety-net" clinics. The project matches patients with

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Alexandria resident Marie Markey volunteers her time to low-income, uninsured patients at the Arlington Free Clinic. Local safety-net clinics are looking for volunteers, particularly specialty care doctors and nurses.

local medical specialists who volunteer their services.

The coalition has reserved several days in May and June for medical professionals, such as specialty care doctors, nurses, and nurse practitioners, to volunteer at Head to Toe Specialty Clinics. The clinics will give patients enrolled at area safety-net clinics an opportunity to receive specialty health care services, including diabetic eye screening, foot care, diabetic nutrition counseling and audiology testing.

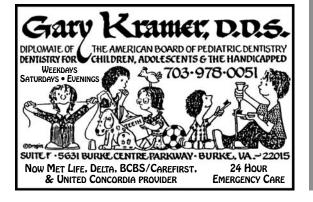
"The event is ... an important initiative where community members have the opportunity to get the health screenings they need," said Sterling resident Karen Rudat, nurse manager for Fairfax Community Health Care Network.

Project officials say their most urgent shortage is of physicians: "Our greatest volunteer needs are for audiologists, podiatrists and ophthalmologists," said Ulrich. "If there are other specialists that come forward, we would add other services as well. The program is ongoing and we're hoping to generate interest even if it is not on these specific dates."

Health care professionals must hold a Virginia license and volunteer in an area that is consistent with their licensure.

VOLUNTEERS ARE CRITICAL to the mission of the clinics.

"We work with a fantastic group of volunteer physicians, mostly specialists. We are so grateful for their generosity as they give their time and talent to increase the quality and access to care," said Dr. Jean Glossa, medical director, Community Health Care Network of Fairfax County and Molina Healthcare "Without them, I don't know how some of our most vulnerable patients would be able to get the specialty care they need when they need it the most.'



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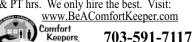
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By KENNETH B. LOURIE

As our Publisher and fellow cancer survivor, Mary Kimm, e-mailed back to me last week: "Who knew 'stable' could be so exciting?"

Yes, 'stable,' as in the results of my most recent diagnostic scan after four heavy-duty chemotherapy infusions; even though I have been diagnosed with stage IV (meaning metastatic, meaning: moved already) lung cancer, nothing much is happening. For the moment, and that moment has now lasted three-plus years, I continue to be, fortunately for me, an anomaly: alive and reasonably well. Can I hear an "Amen?!"

Though I've tried, repeatedly, since June '09 when I first went public, column-wise, and confirmed my diagnosis/prognosis in print, it still remains nearly impossible to articulate exactly what bounces around in the head (figuratively speaking) of an otherwise healthy, then 54-year-old male (now 57), non-smoker, with no immediate-family history of cancer – or of even having ever smoked cigarettes, to be diagnosed with advanced-stage (IV; there is no V) "terminal" lung cancer. However, I continue to try, as you regular readers know. And thanks to the varied feedback I receive: cards, letters, emails, books, inclusions on prayer lists, and the expressions of encouragement and support typically contained, I am relatively healthy, in no small measure I believe, to the words and prayers - of hope and faith, directed to me.

Though I didn't start writing these "cancer columns," as I call them, for any greater good - it was simply what interested me, given my circumstances - they have evolved into a kind of cathartic exercise that perhaps has enabled me to still write them, if you know what I mean? If I didn't have this outlet (space) to indulge myself (thank you again, Mary Kimm), and subject you readers to the rigors – both physically and emotionally, of the ongoing struggles of a cancer patient living day by day, and writing about it week by week, I don't suppose I would be so proud of what I've accomplished/what I've endured.

That is not to imply that I have suffered any more than any other cancer patient and/or any other diagnosed-as-terminal patient; in fact, comparatively speaking, I think I've had it pretty easy (other than the reality of it all). Nevertheless, being diagnosed with cancer is all it's cracked up to be, despite one's relative good fortune in managing to outlive their prognosis ("13 months to two years"). I still can't get the characterization "incurable disease" as initially used by my oncologist, out of my head. As such, as good a result as what I recently received, it's still a temporary result, albeit it an amazing/great/miraculous one, but one subject to change, from what I understand. And as much as I want to receive and hear a permanent you're-cured-type of assessment from my doctor, apparently the chances are fairly unlikely. Still, I have to remain satisfied with the "stable" because the "stable" is all it's cracked up to be. And for a terminal patient, when you're no longer stable, generally speaking, you're no longer an

Kenny Lourie is an Advertising Representative for The Potomac Almanac & The Connection Newspapers

## Sports

## Westfield Working to Regain Winning Form

## Bulldogs set to host Concorde and local softball rival Centreville this Friday.

BY RICH SANDERS

CENTRE VIEW

he Westfield High girls' softball team, over the final few weeks of the regular season, will be looking to get back into the winning mode that was such a prominent characteristic of its season through mid-April.

The Bulldogs, an annual Northern Region power and last year's region champion, went into this spring season less heralded than usual. Westfield had lost numerous key players from last year's Concorde District and region title team to graduation and, naturally, was not expected to be the same high-level outfit.

But Westfield was 7-3 and playing good, solid ball through 10 games. In Concorde District play, the team was 3-0. Head coach Dean Ferington was pleased with the Bulldogs' strong showing through the spring season's first month.

But three straight district losses have put Westfield at 7-6 overall and 4-3 in the district. The tough three-game stretch began with a 7-3 loss at upstart Herndon on April 20, followed by a home loss to Oakton, 5-2, four days later. Then last Friday night,

the Bulldogs lost at Chantilly, 3-0.

Westfield was looking to get back into the winning groove this week with district games at Robinson on Tuesday, May 1 and home versus Centreville this Friday night, May 4 at 6:30 p.m.

Westfield won at Centreville, 7-4, in the first season meeting between the local rival teams on April 17, the Bulldogs last win before the three straight losses.

**WESTFIELD** has received good seasons from its three seniors — catcher Lexi Scoville, outfielder Kayleen Bell, and first baseman Carrie Otroba. Last year, the trio looked up to the 2011 team's senior leaders. This season, they are the leaders.

"They are playing extremely well," said coach Ferington, earlier this month. "It has been different for them in that they are doing the pulling of the young [ones] instead of being pullled. I have expected a lot out of them and am very pleased in their play, leadership and maturity."

Westfield has been hit by the injury bug with junior pitchers Keona Gaines and Meaghan Heinecke being sidelined for extended periods of time. Caitlyn Rudy, another 11th grader, has done a good job on



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Westfield won the region softball title last year with a finals win over McLean.

the mound in their absences.

Westfield will wrap up its regular season schedule next week with district games versus Herndon (at home, 6 p.m. on Tuesday, May 8) and Oakton (away, 6:30 p.m. Fri-

day, May 11). Westfield will celebrate its Senior Night against Herndon.

The six-team Concorde District tournament is set to begin with first round games on Wednesday, May 16.

## Day Determined to Build a Football Winner at Herndon

New Hornets' head coach wants team to be physically tough.

By Alec Havéus Centre View

fter being a part of two Northern Regional football titles, two state championships and six district crowns while serving as an assistant coach over the years at Concorde District high schools Westfield and Centreville, Brian Day, this past January, accepted the position as new head football coach at fellow Concorde rival Herndon High.

Day, who coached quarterbacks for nine years at Westfield through 2010 before serving as a Centreville assistant last year, is confident he can help turn a struggling Herndon program into a winning team once again. He wants his Hornets to ultimately be a physically strong and fundamentally sound program.

He is succeeding former long-time Herndon coach Joe Shaeffer, but does not believe the difference between himself and Shaeffer will be all that much when it comes to football know-how and coaching in gen-

"I really can't tell any difference between 18 CENTRE VIEW SOUTH MAY 3-9, 2012



**Brian Day** 

Joe and myself," said Day, explaining that he tries to coach with great energy and passion. "I want to have as much fun at practice as the kids do."

After graduating from Fairfax High School in 1993, Day enrolled at Lenoir Rhyne College (Hickory, N.C.). While there he played both football and baseball before graduating in 1998 with a Bachelor of Arts in Sports Management.

Now as a member of the Herndon High community, Day has clear-cut goals as the new head football coach.

"Building the program, I hope that we become a district contender and Northern Region playoff participant year in and year out," he said. "Winning in the Concorde District is a major accomplishment and will take a great effort mentally and physically."

For the team to be able to reach those goals, the Hornets, who have struggled in recent years, will have to learn how to win again. Day said building a winner might

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— Brian Day, New head football coach at Herndon High

take time.

"I think that it is important that we understand that winning is a process and it is something that is built over time," said Day, who explained winning is a result of consistently doing the little things correctly over and over again.

"If we take care of the little things then I believe winning will take care of itself."

Kyle Simmons, the current Westfield High head coach, was an assistant coach at Westfield along with Day under former Bulldogs' head coach Tom Verbanic. Simmons said Day brought a lot of football knowledge and enthusiasm to the Westfield program, as well as the ability to work in a positive manner with high school athletes.

"While here at Westfield, Brian was a key part of our off-season program," said Simmons. "He worked hard to develop relationships with kids and help them reach their potential. Brian is very knowledgeable about the offensive passing game and played a key role in that part of our offense under offensive coordinator and head coach Tom Verbanic.

"He has been looking for the right place to be a head coach for some time and will be a great addition to the Herndon Hornets program," said Simmons. "I have no doubt he will do a great job there and we look forward to competing against him next season. I welcome him to the Concorde District."

#### 5K Run To Benefit Cancer Victims

The ninth annual Angel Kisses 5K run and 2K walk will be held Sunday, May 13, at 8 a.m., at the Poplar Tree Estates Swim and Racquet Club, 13516 Point Pleasant Drive in Chantilly. It's in honor of community resident Jeffrey Virostek who died of acute myelogenous leukemia (AML) in 2003 at age 4. Online registration at www.AngelKisses-5k.org is 5K,

\$25; 2K, \$20, through May 10. Afterward, it's \$30 and \$25. (Online registration closes May 10). Walk-in registration and packet pickup are Friday, May 11, from 6-8 p.m.; Saturday, May 12, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., and race day, from 6:30-7:30 a.m., at the Poplar Tree Community Center. Proceeds go to the Jeffrey Virostek Memorial Fund to aid other families battling cancer.

## CVHS Sports Notebook

### Track & Field

BY MONIQUE KING

The Centreville High track team took part in the Cassel's XBC Track Experience at Chantilly High on Saturday, April 28. Chan Young Lee ran a personal-best time of 4:28.73 while placing third in the boys' 1600 meter run. Sara Emsley continued her successful season with a second-place finish in the girls' discus. The boys' 4x800 relay team posted a season-best time of 8:34.43 while finishing in fourth place. The relay consisted of seniors Daniel Molina and Jay Cowen, junior Calvin Jones and freshman Bobby Dunn.

Also this past week, three Wildcat relay teams participated in the Penn Relays in Philadelphia. This is one of the biggest track meets in the country and an exciting opportunity for all the participants. The boys' 4x400 team of Chris Jones, Brett Martin, Alex Marmol, and Mike Wright posted a season-best time of 3:30.75. The boys' 4x100 team of Marcel Smith, Brett Martin, Alex Marmol, and Mike Wright also ran a good time of 45.5. The girls' 4x400 team of Natalie King, Sydney Pryor, Maryn Wood, and Amber Assadi also posted a season-best time of 4:27.99.

### Boys Lacrosse

By Lance Bowden and EILEEN BALBERDE

JV Boys Lacrosse (April 27): The weekend got off to a good start for the Centreville JV boys lacrosse team with an 11-3 victory over Herndon on Friday, April 27. The tone was set in the first quarter on Wildcat goals by Aaron Mendenhall, Alex Rizzi, and Kyle Roarty. Mark Mahoney got an assist and Rizzi got two, one coming off a steal behind the Robinson goal. Robinson scored with nine seconds left in the first quarter, but Centreville's defense held the Hornets in check for the rest of the half while Wildcats Rizzi and Corev Spriggs added goals. Great stick checks and pressure throughout the game limited the number of Herndon shots on goal. The Wildcat defense is anchored by Michael Bollman, Ben Kandel, Josh Kim, Charlie Suarez, and goalie Kyle

Fancy footwork and steals led to third quarter Centreville goals by Elliot Cunningham (2) and Tommy Bowden. The Hornets managed their second goal of the game in the fourth quarter, but a quick response came from Tommy Callahan, with an assist from John McKittrick. The Wildcats gave up a mandown goal with three minutes to go, but Cunningham dodged through the Hornet defense for a hat trick goal and

Callahan scored again off a nice feed from Tyler Nevlud for the final score of 11-3. The team now has a 6-3-1 record on the season with one game to go.

Boys Varsity Lacrosse: Despite leading until midway through the third quarter, the Centreville varsity boys lacrosse team fell to the Robinson Rams, 10-6, in Concorde District play on Tuesday, April 24. Zack Sikora, Andy Balberde and Nathan Marks each scored two goals for the Wildcats. Tyler Vennergrund and Kevin Hagan were able to lend assists for those goals. Centreville saw solid defensive play from juniors Antonio Choi and Jake Hyde, with impressive stops in goal by Pat Prosser.

The Wildcats next hosted Concorde District rival Herndon High during their last home game of the regular season. Before the game began, the Wildcats honored their five graduating seniors during a Senior Night ceremony. Congratulations to Kevin Brawner, Matt DeVera, Ian Lindsay, Carlos Morrobel and Zack Sikora, who will all be attending four year colleges next fall.

Despite a rocky start to the game, Centreville defeated Herndon, 17-10. Zack Sikora and Nathan Marks led the scoring for the Wildcats with six goals each; Tyler Vennergrund had two goals; and Kevin Hagan, Danny Meador and David Weisbrodt each had one goal. Assists were given by Zack Sikora (4), Andy Balberde (3), Tyler Vennergrund (2), and Nathan Marks (1). The Wildcat defensive unit stepped up their play in the second half of the game, seeing excellent performances by Carlos Morrobel, Kevin Brawner, Jake Hyde and Antonio Choi, while great long stick middie play was shown by Kainoa O'Connor and Nick Ziegler. With one game remaining — a road game at Westfield on Wednesday, May 2 - the Wildcats' record was 9-3.

### Girls' Tennis

By Coach Leslie O'CONNOR

The Lady Wildcats tennis team had some close games but succumbed to a deep and talented Oakton team on Tuesday, April 24, 9-0. Jessica Jassal fought her opponent with intensity, creating chances and causing momentum to swing back and forth between her opponent before eventually losing her match. As with last week, all members continue to improve their swing timing and strength. A second loss during the week to Chantilly closed out the girls' season with a 2-8 record, but the Wildcats have gained much experience and are hopeful for next spring.

### Girls Lacrosse

By Aileen Anderson

Ranked first in the Concorde District standings, and undefeated in the district as well, the Centreville girls lacrosse team has advanced to an unprecedented 10-1 Lady Wildcat record. On Wednesday, April 25, Centreville welcomed the Robinson Rams to their home turf for a Concorde District contest. Robinson managed a short-lived lead early on but, while neither team managed to pull away at any point in the game, the Wildcats pulled out a 16-14 win. Junior midfielder Carly Sane was the night's leading scorer with four goals, one assist, and three draw controls.

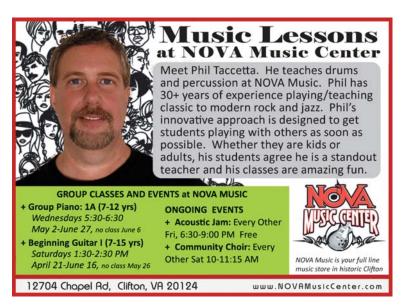
Showing that power comes from playing off one another's talents, senior midfielder Hayley Anderson and freshman attacker Reagan Newell each brought in three goals and two assists. Facing off against a strong Rams midfield, Anderson was able to direct the ball into the Wildcat's sticks over 10 times. There was never a moment to take a breath as the Rams offense fought back right up until the final minutes of the game. Centreville's defense was barraged by incoming Rams attackers, but was able to take advantage of missed plays and utilize caused turnovers.

Junior defenseman Danielle Smith had one draw control, three ground balls, and one caused turnover; and freshman Brynn Doyle (2 ground balls) led in the standoff. Also scoring for Centreville were freshman midfielder Caroline Wakefield (2 goals, 2 assists, 4 draw controls, 5 ground balls, and 1 caused turnover), senior attacker Maggie Dulkerian (2 goals and 2 assists), and sophomore Katherine Zempolich (2 goals, 2 draw controls).

Traveling up to Herndon on Friday, April 27, the Wildcats easily dominated the Herndon Hornets with a 17-3 district victory. Early in the game, the Lady Wildcats held back only for a short time before they began an offensive onslaught. Seven of Centreville's players scored with 11 total assists. Newell (4 goals/2 assists), Anderson (3 goals/3assists), and Sane (3 goals/1 assist) showcased their precise shooting throughout the game. Freshman Caroline Bollman, Dulkerian, and Wakefield added to the Wildcats commanding lead with two goals each. The team's retrieval of ground balls was exemplary with Wakefield, Anderson, Sane, and Dulkerian bringing in the most. Also scoring for the Wildcats was Zempolich: freshman Kara Waddell added an assist. Goalie Avana Teran allowed no goals in the second half, giving the Lady Wildcats a more lopsided result than expected.



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### Park Authority to Meet

The Fairfax County Park Authority will meet Wednesday, May 9, at 7:30 p.m., in the Herrity Building, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Suite 900 in Fairfax. Call Judy Pedersen at 703-324-8662.

### Join the Parade at Chantilly Day

The First Annual Chantilly Day is set for Saturday, May 12. A parade starting at 9:30 a.m. on Metrotech Drive will feature the Chantilly and Westfield high school marching bands. However, many parade openings are still available for anyone in any community wishing to participate. Children with decorated bikes, scooters, etc., are welcome. E-mail the organizing team at info@chantillyday.com.

The family festival will run from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. in the parking lot of the Sully Place Shopping Center, followed by a free concert from 4-6 p.m.

Visit www.chantillyday.com for more ways to get involved. Major sponsors are the Chantilly-Centreville Chamber of Commerce and the Westfield Business Owners

### Relay For Life Meeting

Local residents are invited to attend a Relay Rally planning meeting, Thursday, May 17, at 7 p.m., at the nZone, 14550 Lee Road in Chantilly. It's to present details about the upcoming Relay for Life walk, which raises money for the American Cancer Society. People may form a team of walkers, serve on the planning committee or volunteer at the June 9 Relay at the nZone. more information, www.CentrevilleRelay.org or contact Brandi Steward of the American Cancer Society at

brandi.steward@cancer.org

### Meals on Wheels Volunteers

Fairfax County needs Meals on Wheels drivers in Chantilly and group Meals on Wheels coordinators in both Chantilly and Fairfax. Contact Volunteer Solutions at 703-TTY 324-5406, 711, VolunteerSolutions@fairfaxcounty.gov or www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/ olderadultservices/volunteersolutions.htm.

### WFCM Seeks Food, Volunteers

Western Fairfax Christian Ministries' (WFCM) food pantry urgently needs donations of oil (48 oz. or smaller); flour (2-5 lb. bag); sugar (2-5 lb. bag); rice (2 lb. bags); canned meats; salad dressing, jelly; jam; spaghetti sauce, canned fruit; canned beets, spinach, greens, potatoes and mixed vegetables; canned garbanzo, lima, butter and northern beans; pancake mix and syrup; mayonnaise, baby food (stages 1 and 3); cocoa, coffee, ketchup and mustard. Also needed are laundry detergent, toothpaste, shampoo, toilet paper and baby wifes.

Bring all items to WFCM'S food pantry at 13981 Metrotech Drive (near Backyard Grill and Bar) in Chantilly. Volunteers are also

Thrift store: Volunteers needed Mondays and Fridays, for two or three hours between 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Volunteers needed Tuesdays and Thursdays, for two or three hours between 1-6 p.m., as well as Saturdays, from 2-5 p.m. For more information, contact Volunteer Manager Annette Bosley at 703-988-9656.

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Wednesday Prayer Meeting/ Bible Study and Spiritual Development Courses: (Includes Youth Bible Study)

7:00 PM

