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The cast of Centreville High's production of "A Christmas Carol."

Spotlight Shines on Three Local Schools

Westfield receives 20 Cappie nominations.

By Bonnie Hobbs Centre View

he Cappie nominations for outstanding high school theater were just announced and, all together, Centreville, Chantilly and Westfield received 30 nominations. The awards to the winners will be presented Sunday, June 10, at the annual Cappies Gala at The Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.

For its musical, "Crazy for You," Westfield garnered 20 nominations. Chantilly received seven for "I Remember Mama" and Centreville received three for "A Christmas Carol."

Westfield's nominations are as follows: Musical; Song, "Slap That Bass;" Lead Actor in a Musical, Colby Dezelick; Supporting Actor in a Musical, Joey Biagini; Comic Actress in a Musical, Madeleine Bloxam; Featured Dancer, Corinne Holland; Featured Actor, Mitchell Buckley; Featured Actress, Sarah Schweit; Ensemble in a Musical, Follies and Cowboys; and Choreography, Colby Dezelick.

It's also nominated for: Orchestra; Stage Crew, Olivia Witt, Ally Engelbrecht, Shannon Douglass and Serena Emanuel; Props, Sophia Alam, Sarah Dickenson and Nate Schrader; Costumes, Bayleigh Aschenbrenner and Zoe Hawryluk; Sets, Colby Dezelick, Brandon Sanchez and Olivia Witt; Lighting, Ben Nelms, Robert Palack and Elizabeth Ross; Sound, Dieter Stach and Arianna Willis; Critics Team; Graduating Critic, Joey Biagini; and Rising Critic, Julian Sanchez.

"I was very proud of our musical, 'Crazy For You," said Director Susie Pike. "I was hoping the Cappies would like it and that we would get some nominations — but I never expected 20. I must admit, I was a bit stunned."

She's particularly pleased for her young thespians "because they worked so hard" and is especially happy that the musical received nominations in so many areas, notably the technical categories of Sets, Props, Lighting, Sound and Stage Crew. Said Pike: "Good shows are not just about the leads, but are about the whole production and all the elements involved."

Furthermore, she said, "I am so lucky to have had a great choreographer in Colby, plus great dancers. Our costumes were amazing, and I could have listened to our orchestra all night long. I like the way musicals bring all the performing arts together — acting, singing, music, scenic artistry and technical aspects."

"We are honored to be able to perform our song, 'Slap that Bass,' on The Kennedy Center stage [at the Cappies Gala]," continued Pike. "I am very fortunate to have such great kids and parents who care about the arts and devote their time and energy to Westfield Theater."

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Hats Off To Centreville High

Newsweek ranks it sixth in Virginia.

By Bonnie Hobbs Centre View

ewsweek has just published its rankings of America's Best High Schools for 2012, and Centreville High is ranked sixth in Virginia and 246th out of 1,000 schools surveyed in the U.S.

"We have a good school, good students, good teachers and good community, and I'm really proud of them and their accomplishments," said Principal Mike Campbell. "And now they're reaping the benefits of all their hard work."

The ranking honors the top 1,000 public high schools in the nation that have proven the most effective at producing seniors ready to enter college. The list is based on six components provided by school administrators: Graduation rate, college matriculation

rate, number of AP/IB/AICE tests taken per student, average SAT/ACT scores, average AP/IB/AICE scores, and number of AP courses offered per student.

Centreville's totals for the 2010-2011 school year were: Graduation rate, 96 percent; number of AP/IB tests taken per student, 1; college-bound, 93 percent; average SAT score, 1611; Average ACT score, 23.6 (out of 36); and average number of AP classes taken per student, 3.

Roughly 300 high schools in Virginia took the survey, and Campbell was thrilled that Centreville was ranked close to the top. "Everything comes back to having a good faculty, plus lots of community support," he said.

"We don't conscientiously set out to make the top 100," said Campbell. "We want to do the best we can across the board for all our SEE CVHS, PAGE 8



Centreville High Principal Mike Campbell and the statue of the school's wildcat mascot.

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PEOPLE



From left are Kris Killinger, Pam Young, Allison Dreon, Troy Hayes and Rory Marcaccio Schaffer.

Art Teachers Display Their Work

entreville High art teachers Allison Dreon, Troy Hayes, Kris Killinger, Rory Marcaccio Schaffer and Pam Young will display their works as Artists of the Month at La Bella Luce in the Town of Clifton. The shop is at 7137 Main St., and their show is titled, "Gli Insegnanti d'arte" (Italian for "the art teachers").

Store hours are Wednesday-Friday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, noon-6 p.m.; Sunday, noon-4 p.m.;

The teachers' work will be on display at La Bella Luce through June and is also for sale. Killinger and Young are bringing their oil paintings; Killinger paints flowers and still lifes, and Young does Tuscan still lifes and landscapes. Dreon will show examples of her photography, Schaffer will offer her digital photography, and Hayes is displaying his portraits of athletes done in pastels.

CVHS Student Wins Gold Key Award

By Bonnie Hobbs Centre View

amin "Paul" Chung liked to draw ever since he was a child. But he wasn't serious about work until he was in high school and started thinking about what he wanted to do after graduation.

Now his artistic talent earned Centreville High senior a National Scholastic Gold Key Award. And on June 1 in New York's famed Carnegie Hall, he'll receive his honor.

"I can express how I feel and what I like through my art," said Chung. "I mostly do drawing with pencil or Sharpie — hands-on stuff. But I also do computer graphics."

His award-winning entry is a red, computergraphics balloon that unzips to show a brain inside. "There's a saying that some people are 'airheads' — and balloons are filled with air," he explained. "So I showed one that has a brain."

Chung titled his work, "Open up My Mind." His

message, he said, is that "People aren't always how they seem" and that, even those who appear to be dumb can actually be smart. Chung, himself, is wellrounded and doing well in school; he likes sports, plays basketball and has a 3.0 GPA.

Following his graduation from Centreville, he'll be attending VCU for its art program and plans to major in computer graphics. "I'd eventually like to make logos for companies, or it would be fun to work for

Pixar," said Chung. "I'd also like to design my own Tshirts on the side."

He won the Gold Key Award in Regional competition in February and then did the same in Nationals in March. "The Regional winners were really good, so I was surprised that my entry went that far at Nationals," he said. "But I'm really happy."

He also shared the accolades with his Centreville art teachers. "Mr. [Kris] Killinger helped me with computer graphics a lot," said Chung. "And Mrs. [Pam] Young taught me drawing techniques and what to mix to get certain paint colors.' And when he was a freshman, he said, Rory Marcaccio Schaffer "motivated me to be more serious about art - she was really encouraging."



Hamin "Paul" Chung shows his national award-winning artwork.

Roundups

Cabaret in Reema's Honor

The Remembrance Cabaret for Reema Samaha is this Saturday, May 26, at Westfield High. The show starts at 7 p.m., but the doors open at 6 p.m. for a bake sale and silent auction. It's an evening of songs, dances and comedy sketches in memory of Westfield High grad and Virginia Tech victim Samaha.

The event is free, but donations are welcome. Attendees may contribute to The Reema J. Samaha Memorial Scholarship — awarded to students at both Westfield and Herndon high schools — and/or the Angel Fund, a nonprofit founded by the Samaha family to create safer schools and communities by focusing on issues of mental health, privacy laws and information sharing, and school safety.

Route 28/I-66 Interchange Meeting Scheduled

Supervisor Michael R. Frey (R-Sully) and VDOT are holding a public meeting to discuss the Route 28/I-66 Interchange. It's slated for Tuesday, May 29, from 7-9 p.m., in the Sully District Governmental Center, 4900 Stonecroft Blvd. in Chantilly.

VDOT plans to implement two projects in the vicinity of that interchange to improve congestion and enhance safety. VDOT representatives also want to discuss future options for the ultimate Route 28/I-66 Interchange. After the presentation, Frey and the representatives will listen to residents' comments, concerns and suggestions; they'll also answer any questions regarding the projects.

Fair Oaks CAC to Meet

The Citizens Advisory Council of the Fair Oaks District Police Station will meet Tuesday, May 29, at 7 p.m., in the roll-call room of the police station. It's at 12300 Lee Jackson Memorial Highway in Chantilly.

Free Carseat Inspections

Certified technicians from the Sully District Police Station will perform free, child safety carseat inspections Thursday, May 31, 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.

CPMSAC Awards June 2

The Chantilly Pyramid Minority Student Achievement Committee will hold its annual awards ceremony for middle- and high-school students on Saturday, June 2, at 5 p.m., at Chantilly High.

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, Ramen Noodles, canned fruit; canned beets, spinach, greens, and mixed vegetables; canned garbanzo, lima, butter and northern beans; pancake mix and syrup; hot cereal and coffee. Also needed are laundry detergent, toothpaste, shampoo, toilet paper and baby wipes. WFCM clients are also in great need of gasoline cards.

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

Thrift store: Volunteers needed Mondays and Fridays, for two or three hours between 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Volunteers needed Tues

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News



Some of the cast of Chantilly High's upcoming children's play, "Cinderella and the Substitute Fairy Godmother."

Children's Play at Chantilly High

'Cinderella and the Substitute Fairy Godmother'

By Bonnie Hobbs Centre View

eave it to Chantilly High to take a classic fairytale, turn it on its head and come up with something hilarious. And that's just what the school has done with its upcoming children's show, "Cinderella and the Substitute Fairy Godmother."

The curtain rises Friday, June 1, at 7 p.m.; Saturday, June 2, at 2 and 7 p.m.; and Sunday, June 3, at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$5 at the door or online at www.chantillyhsdrama.com.

Featuring a cast and crew of more than 60, the play was written by Chantilly Theater Director Ed Monk. And besides his own students, he's invited eighth-graders from Rocky Run, Franklin and Rachel Carson middle schools to be part of the play.

"They'll be in the ensemble and the big dance number and will welcome children in the lobby before the show," said Monk. As for the Chantilly thespians — who are mainly underclassmen — he said they're learning the acting process and "will be wonderful and ready by the time we get to opening night."

Saying the play has funny characters and jokes for children, teens and adults, he called it "silly fun for the whole family."

Portraying Cinderella is freshman Mia Rickenbach. "Cinderella's fairytale is going on, but her fairy godmother becomes sick and can't come and save her," said Rickenbach. "So they have to call in a substitute, Lucretia Fossilwart. And the rest of the play tells all the disasters that occur because of it and how

things all work out in the end."

She describes Cinderella as "a miserable girl who's constantly annoyed at how stupid her step-siblings are," said Rickenbach. "And when it comes time for her fairytale to come true, she finds that it's not what she expected, at all. At first, she's patient, but eventually becomes angry and learns to stand up for herself."

Rickenbach is having a good time playing this role. "She's a unique character and it's nice to play out the transition of emotions. She's not the typical Cinderella — she's more quirky and has some fun traits, like how she learns to deal with her siblings sarcastically. I also enjoy the sense of community amongst the cast; we've all become friends."

She said the audience will enjoy the show because "it encompasses humor for every age group. And the wide body of emotions and the loud costumes are dazzling, as usual."

Sophomore Brooke Johnson plays Lucretia. "She's in her 60s and kind of airheaded," said Johnson. "She laughs things off, even when she's made a terrible mistake. She giggles, and you can't stay mad at her. She doesn't really know or remember all the spells to use as a fairy godmother; so sometimes, she'll turn people into things she didn't mean to. Or when trying to get coachmen for Cinderella's carriage, she ends up with pigs, instead."

Johnson loves her part because "Lucretia's one of the funniest characters. She rambles and starts talking about one thing and ends up in a totally different place, and people have to bring her back. She's like a lovable, but frustrating, grandma. The things she says are just crazy, and she doesn't realize she's being funny."

Children's shows are fun, said Johnson, because "the characters are so big. It's like playing pretend, and we dance to act out the spells. Cinderella's a

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Centreville Man Indicted: Mortgage Fraud Scheme

By Bonnie Hobbs Centre View

Centreville man has been in dicted by a federal grand jury for his alleged part in a \$1.5 million mortgage fraud scheme. He is Jea Min Lee, 34.

In the four-count indictment returned last Thursday, May 17, Lee is charged with engaging in a conspiracy to defraud financial institutions into making fraudulent mortgage loans.

Authorities say the conspiracy reportedly involved a mortgage broker, an unqualified straw buyer, an executive from a title company, and multiple intermediaries who prepared and approved fraudulent loan docu-

ments

According to federal court documents, the total amount of mortgage loans approved through the alleged conspiracy exceeded \$1.5 million. As a result, financial institutions suffered losses of more than \$700,000.

The indictment alleges that Lee and five co-conspirators "prepared and submitted false, fraudulent and misleading mortgageloan applications for an unqualified buyer who would not have otherwise been approved for the loan. The fraudulent applications contained false information regarding the applicant's employment, income, assets, immigration status and intent to live in the property as a primary residence."

According to court documents, "One month after conspirators fraudulently ob-

tained \$1.2 million in mortgage loan proceeds, they [reportedly] applied for and fraudulently received a \$350,000 home equity loan, the proceeds of which were distributed among some of the conspirators."

The indictment states that Lee and his conspirators allegedly "created fake documents to corroborate false information contained in fraudulent loan applications — including a fake lease, fabricated bank statement and a bogus W-2. One conspirator also falsely verified another conspirator's employment in order to qualify for the loan."

The mortgage fraud scheme involved a home in Gainesville and, last week in U.S. District Court in Alexandria, all five of the conspirators pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit wire fraud. They are Peter Kim, 39, of Fairfax; Bok Hee Lee, 37, of South Riding; Jai Sek Lee, 50, of Ashburn; Jai Song, 41, of McLean; and Erin Cullen, 32, of Fairfax.

They each now face a possible maximum penalty of five years in prison when they're sentenced in August and September by U.S. District Court Judge Anthony J. Trenga.

However, although Jea Min Lee was indicted, he has not yet been arrested or appeared in court. That's because he is still at large and his whereabouts are currently unknown.

This ongoing investigation is being conducted by the FBI's Washington Field Office. Assistant U.S. Attorney Uzo Asonye is prosecuting the case.

MILITARY NOTES

Army National Guard Pvt.

James Gonzales has graduated from

basic combat training at Fort Jackson,

Columbia, S.C. During the nine weeks of

training, the soldier studied the Army

mission and received instruction and

practice in numerous different combat

skills and military procedures. Gonzales

is the son of Anna Gonzales of

Galveston, Texas, and grandson of Carol

Wallwork of Centreville. He is a 2011

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graduate of Ball High School, Galveston.

Army Reserve Pvt. Vichet Inhar has graduated from One Station Unit Training (OSUT) at Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo. Inhar is the son of Riab Inhar of Brookfield Drive, Chantilly. He is a 2010 graduate of Chantilly High School.

Air Force Airman Todd A.

Drechsler graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force. Drechsler is the son of Pam and Bob Drechsler of Martins Hundred Drive, Centreville and is a 2011 graduate of Westfield High School, Chantilly.



Making the World a Better Place

Daisy Troop 3113 members at Virginia Run Elementary School has been working all year to earn 10 petals for their uniform which teaches them the Girl Scout law. This week the troop members earned their final petal — the pink petal which represents "Make the world a better place." To make the world a better place, the girls planted pink, white and yellow flowers in the flower bed under the sign at Virginia Run Elementary School. One of the parents, Russel Ramey, edged the flower bed, cleared it of weeds and mulched it in preparation for the day. From left are Caroline Johnson, Eloise Latimer, Emily Bobek, Grace Ramey, Allison Nguyen, Sarah Van Buren, Ava Lawless and Ginny Fitch.



Good Citizens Essay Award

The Lane's Mill Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution selected Centreville High School senior Kevin Chow as the recipient of the chapter's DAR Good Citizens Essay Award. Chow, who will attend Virginia Tech, was presented with the award by Chapter Regent Charlene Gross and DAR Good Citizen Chapter Chairman Pauline Herpy.

CRIME REPORT

Activities reported by the Sully police department through May 18.

LARCENIES

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- **12600 block of Chapel Road.** Phone and money stolen from vehicle.
- 6400 block of Paddington Court.
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- 14000 block of Westbrook Place.

VEHICLE THEFTS

5500 block of Sully Park Drive.

Correction

In the May 17-23, 2012 Centre View, the article on "Volunteering on 'Red Day" misspelled the name of Ellanor C. Lawrence Park.

Brighter Future for Labor Center

More workers participating and CIF receives \$20,000 grant.

> BY BONNIE HOBBS Centre View

> > **Alice Foltz**

ot only is the Centreville Immigration Forum (CIF) running a successful labor resource center, but it just received the 2012 Meyer Foundation Grant for \$20,000.

"It's wonderful," said CIF President Alice Foltz. "It's very affirming of all the things we've been doing."

Earlier, the CIF sent a letter of intent saying it planned to apply for the grant. Then, a few months ago, a Meyer Foundation representative came to the Centreville Labor Resource Center (CLRC) to check

"She spent a couple hours with our staff, board members and representatives of Virginia Organizing, which provides our nonprofit status and does our bookkeeping," said Foltz. "She wanted to see how we were doing and how our programs were operating."

The Foundation provides funding to various nonprofits in the Washington Metropolitan area, and Foltz said the representative was impressed with what she saw. "She liked the fact that the programs were begun and done in a short

time. And she was particularly interested in the ways in which the workers are involved in the decisionmaking and structure of the labor center and the CIF."

To make sure the CIF is a viable entity, the representative also checked its financial stability and, said Foltz, "She was pleased with what she saw." At the end of April, the CIF got word that it was getting the

"It's really awesome," said Foltz. "This certainly doesn't solve all our funding needs, but it provides us with a base from which to continue fund-raising."

Actually, she said, "It's unusual for a group like ours to proceed with no government funding. Most nonprofits our size in this region receive some government support for the community outreach they

More information

- The Centreville Labor Resource Center is now a member of the Dulles Regional Cham-
- The CIF's Spring Fiesta on April 27 was a fundraising success. Donations and silent-auction proceeds yielded nearly \$4,000 for the CLRC.

do. But we're completely privately funded, so we have to work much harder for our financial support."

The CIF has already received the grant money, which is being used to keep the labor-resource center operating. It's also applied for some smaller grants to allow the center to increase its staff hours.

It currently has one full-time staff member and another who works three-fourths of the time. But Foltz would like the latter person to be able to work full time, too. As it is, she said, "The only way we're able to operate with that little staff is through the generosity and gifts of many wonderful volunteers."

The labor center opened in December 2011 at 5956 Centreville Crest Lane, beside Brick Pizza, on the lower level of the Centreville Square Shopping Center. But it got off to a slow start. Although the workers were eager to meet potential employers there, the center encountered difficulty trying to encourage these employers to change their habits.

"Definitely, there's been a continuing upswing [in

center usage], but we always can use more to have the full participation of all the workers," said Foltz. "But to have that happen, we need employers accustomed to hiring workers on the street to come and hire them at the center, in-

What would help most of all, she said. would be for local residents to hire workmen there for miscellaneous jobs around their homes, such as painting, yard work, repairs, etc. "We also encourage people to come by and see what's happening at the center," said Foltz. "They can see

what workers are available and how they could use these talented workers in the future."

She said the center offers workers with a large variety of abilities - not just people who can do manual labor, but those who are highly skilled in everything from masonry to drywall work, painting, carpet installation, carpentry and electrical work.

It's a good deal for everyone, said Foltz, because "We provide the opportunity for temporary employment and we don't take fees from either the workers or employers. We just provide a space for workers and employers to come together."

Furthermore, as things have turned out, the center is providing an unforeseen, but welcome, benefit to other local residents. Foltz said tough economic times "have put into the job market people who have skills, but are not able to find long-term employment - and we serve them all. About 250 people have registered for temporary employment" and only about 90 of them are immigrants.

"There's no state employment office nearby, so we've ended up serving a large group of people who desperately need jobs," she said. "We help people get employment to make income which they then spend in the community. So we're also putting money back into the local economy."

BUSINESS NOTES

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OPINION

Remembering on Memorial Day

Time to honor, also time to ensure proper care of veterans.

n February, Brig. Gen. Terence J. Hildner, 49, of Fairfax, was the highest ranking military officer to die in the war on terror. Hildner died Feb. 3, 2012 in Kabul province, Afghanistan.

On Memorial Day, we remember all of those who have died in military service, more than 400,000 in World War II, more than 30,000 in Korea, more than 50,000 in

Since Sept. 11, 2001, more than 6,400 U.S. military service men and women have died in support of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. In 2012, there is just one reported death in Iraq, and more than 115 in Afghanistan.

Nearly 50,000 U.S. Military service members have been wounded in the war on terror, although that number is likely to be revised upward. The New York Times reported earlier this month that the military confirmed traumatic brain injury in more than 220,000 of the 2.3 million troops who have served in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The long-term consequences of many of these injuries are unknown, but they will require a national commitment to excellence in health care for both active duty military personnel and veterans.

On Memorial Day, we honor and thank all those who have served in the military, in times of war and peace. It is also a time to reinvigorate efforts to provide the best services and opportunities to our veterans. The Post-9/11 GI Bill dramatically increases the educational benefits extended to members of the military who have served at least three months of active duty since Sept. 11, 2001. Steps to provide better, faster and more responsive health care to veterans, including mental health care are underway, but have a long way to go. This is one place where we must commit the resources to do better.

More than 175 U.S. Military service personnel from Virginia have been killed in Iraq and Afghanistan, including several in the last year.

Aaron Carson Vaughn, 30, was one of 30 American service members and 22 Navy SEALs killed Aug. 6, 2011 when their Chinook helicopter was shot down in Afghanistan. Vaughn's family has ties to McLean and Burke. He is survived by his wife, Kimberly, and their two

Spc. Douglas Jay Green, 23 of Sterling, died Aug. 28, 2011. when insurgents attacked his unit using a roadside bomb in Kandahar province, Afghanistan. Green enlisted in 2007, after attending Potomac Falls High School.

Other Virginia losses since Memorial Day

Capt. Jesse A. Ozbat, 28 of Prince George, Va., died earlier this month on May 20, 2012 in Afghanistan when enemy forces attacked his unit with a roadside bomb.

Constructionman Trevor J. Stanley, 22, of

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Command Sgt. Maj. Guitaud Leandre, 13th ESC, hands Cindy Hildner an artillery shell moments after it was fired from a cannon in her husband's honor at Fort Hood Feb. 9. Brig. Gen. Terence J. Hildner of Fairfax died in Afghanistan Feb. 3.

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Virginia Beach, Va., died April 7, 2012 while deployed to Camp Lemonnier, Djibouti. Stanley, a Seabee, was assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion

Pfc. Michael W. Pyron, 30, of Hopewell, Va., died Jan. 10, 2012 in Parwan province, Afghanistan. He was assigned to the 25th Signal Battalion, 160th Signal Brigade, 335th Signal Command Theater, East Point, Ga.

Maj. Samuel M. Griffith, 36, of Virginia Beach, Va., died Dec. 14, 2011 in combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan.

Staff Sgt. James Ronald Leep Jr., 44 of Richmond, died Oct. 17, 2011 at Forward Operating Base Kalsu near Iskandariya in Babil prov-

Spc. Levi Efrain Nuncio, 24 of Harrisonburg, died June 22, 2011 when enemy forces attacked his unit with small-arms fire in the Narang district of Kunar province, Afghanistan.

Capt. Michael Wray Newton, 30 of Newport News, died June 11, 2011 in Meymaneh, Faryab province, Afghanistan.

HERE ARE the names of other local men and women who have died in Iraq and Afghanistan and in support of the "war on terror." We repeat these names at least twice a year on Memorial Day and Veterans Day to honor their service and to keep their memories in our consciousness.

If you know of someone who should be included in this list, or if you would like to share how you are honoring the memory of a family member or friend lost, or about the progress of someone injured, please let us know.

Capt. Charles A. Ransom, 31, of Midlothian was one of eight airmen who died April 27, 2011, at the Kabul International Airport, Afghanistan, from gunfire. Sgt. Sean T. Callahan, 23, of Warrenton was one of two Marines who died April 23, 2011 in combat in Helmand, Af-

Sgt. 1st Class Anthony Venetz Jr., 30, of Prince William died Jan. 28, 2011 in Afghanistan, in a non-combat incident. Venetz had been seriously wounded months before.

Spc. Sean R. Cutsforth, 22, of Radford, Va., died Dec. 15, 2010 in Afghanistan, when in-

surgents attacked his unit using small arms fire. Spc. William K. Middleton, 26, of Norfolk, was one of two soldiers who died Nov. 22, 2010 in Afghanistan, when insurgents attacked with an improvised explosive device. Staff Sgt. Christopher F. Cabacoy, 30, of Virginia Beach, was one of two soldiers who died July 5, 2010, in Kandahar, Afghanistan, when insurgents attacked their vehicle with a roadside bomb.

Pfc. Benjamin J. Park, 25, of Fairfax Station, Va., died June 18, 2010 at Zhari district, Kandahar, Afghanistan, of injuries sustained when insurgents attacked his unit with an improvised explosive

May 12, 2010, Donald J. Lamar II, 23 of Fredericksburg, was killed in Afghanistan. Christopher D. Worrell, 35 of Virginia Beach, was killed in Iraq on April 22, 2010. Steven J. Bishop, 29 of

Christianburg, was killed March 13, 2010 in Iraq. Kielin T. Dunn, 19 of Chesapeake, was killed Feb. 18, 2010 in Afghanistan. Brandon T. Islip, 23 of Richmond, was killed Nov. 29, 2009, in Afghanistan. Stephan L. Mace, 21 of Lovettsville, died Oct. 3, 2009 in Afghanistan.

Bill Cahir, 40 of Alexandria, died Aug. 13, 2009 of a gunshot wound while conducting combat operations in the Helmand Province of Afghanistan. After 9/11, Cahir decided to leave his career as a journalist and join the Marine Corps. After his application to become a Marine had originally been denied because of his age, he lobbied members of Congress to get a special exemption.

Fairfax Station resident Pfc. Dillon Jutras, 20, was killed in combat operations in Al Anbar Province of Iraq Oct. 29, 2005.

Lance Cpl. Daniel Ryan Bennett, 23 of Clifton died Jan. 11, 2009, in Helmand province, Afghanistan. "He loved his country, and we're so proud of him," said his mother.

2nd Lt. Sean P. O'Connor of Burke died Oct. 19, 2008 while stationed at Hunter Army Air Field, Savannah, Ga. O'Connor was an athlete in soccer, baseball and football who attended Fairfax County Public Schools and was a 1999 graduate of Bishop Denis J. O'Connell High School in Arlington.

Pfc. David Sharrett II, 27 of Oakton, died Jan, 16, 2008 in Iraq. On Oct. 24, 2008, his father, David H. Sharrett, was on hand as the Oakton Post Office on White Granite Drive was renamed to honor his son. But the senior Sharrett has battled to learn the truth about his son's death, that he was killed by his lieutenant in the confusion of a firefight. Just last month, April, 2012, Sharrett Sr. obtained documents confirming some of the details of his son's death and a subsequent cover-up, according to Tom Jackman of the Washington Post.

Army 1st Lt. Thomas J. Brown, a George Mason University graduate and Burke resident, died on Sept. 23, 2008, while serving in Iraq. His unit came under small arms fire, and Brown, 26, died from his wounds.

Sgt. Scott Kirkpatrick, 26, died on Aug. 11, 2007, in Arab Jabour, Iraq. Kirkpatrick, who

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Remembering on Memorial Day

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graduated from Park View High School in Sterling, and also considered Herndon and Reston as his hometowns, was a champion slam poet. His father, Ed Kirkpatrick, calls him the "warrior poet," and he and his wife help injured vets at Walter Reed through the Yellow Ribbon fund (www.yellowribbonfund.org).

Ami Neiberger-Miller of Sterling lost her brother, U.S. Army Spc. Christopher Neiberger, in August 2007 when he was killed by a roadside bomb in Iraq. He was 22. Since her brother's death, Neiberger-Miller has devoted herself to the Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (www.taps.org), an amazing organization which provides emotional support and other services for families of the fallen. This Memorial Day weekend, TAPS will bring together survivors in Arlington for the 18th National Military Survivor seminar, along with a "good grief" camp for children who have lost a parent.

Staff Sgt. Jesse G. Clowers Jr., 27, of Herndon, died when an improvised bomb exploded near his vehicle in Afghanistan on Aug. 12, 2007. Jonathan D. Winterbottom, 21, of Falls Church, died in Iraq on May 23, 2007, when an IED exploded near his vehicle.

Nicholas Rapavi, 22, of Springfield, died Nov. 24, 2006, during combat in Anbar province in Iraq. Army Cpl. Andy D. Anderson, 24, was killed by enemy fire in Ar Ramadi, Iraq on Tuesday, June 6, 2006.

Airman 1st Class LeeBernard E. Chavis, 21, was killed Oct. 14, 2006, by sniper fire in Iraq, trying to protect civilians from a roadside bomb.

Spc. Robert Drawl Jr., 21, a 2003 graduate of T.C. Williams High School, was killed by a bomb in Kunar, Afghanistan, on Aug. 19, 2006.

U.S. Army Specialist Felipe J. Garcia Villareal, 26 of Burke, was injured in Iraq and flown to Washington Hospital Center, where he died Feb. 12, 2006. He was a graduate of Herndon High School.

Capt. Shane R. M. Mahaffee, 36, a 1987 graduate of Mount Vernon High School, died May 15, 2006. He was a lawyer, married, with two children. His parents live in Alexandria.

U.S. Marine Lance Cpl. Nicholas Kirven, 21, was killed in Afghanistan in 2005 during a firefight in a cave with insurgents. He enlisted while still in high

school after 9/11. Maj. William F. Hecker III, a 1987 graduate of McLean High School, was killed in action in An Najaf, Iraq, Jan. 5, 2005. Staff Sgt. Ayman Taha, 31, of Vienna, was killed Dec. 30, 2005, when an enemy munitions cache he was prepping for demolition exploded. Army Capt. Chris Petty of Vienna was killed Jan. 5, 2006.

Staff Sgt. George T. Alexander Jr., the 2,000th soldier to be killed in Iraq, was literally born into the Army here in Northern Virginia, at DeWitt Army Hospital at Fort Belvoir. Alexander died at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio, Texas, Oct. 22, 2005, of injuries sustained in Samarra, Iraq, Oct. 17, 2005.

Lt. Col. Thomas A. Wren, 44, of Lorton, died in Tallil, Iraq on Nov. 5, 2005. Marine Capt. Michael Martino, 32 of the City of Fairfax, died Nov. 2, 2005, when his helicopter was brought down in Iraq.

1st Lt. Laura M. Walker of Oakton was killed on Aug. 18, 2005, in Kandahar, Afghanistan. CW4 Matthew S. Lourey of Lorton died from injuries sustained on May 26, 2005 in Buhriz, Iraq.

Operations Officer Helge Boes of Fairfax was killed on Feb. 5, 2003, while participating in counterterrorism efforts in eastern Afghanistan.

Among other local lives lost: Lance Cpl. Tavon Lee Hubbard, 24, of Reston; 1st Lt. Alexander Wetherbee, 27. of McLean; 1st Lt. Jeff Kaylor, 25, of Clifton; Coast Guard Petty Officer Nathan B. Bruckenthal, 24, of Herndon; Army Chief Warrant Officer Sharon T. Swartworth, 43, of Mount Vernon; Command Sgt. Maj. James D. Blankenbecler, 40, of Mount Vernon; Capt. James F. Adamouski, 29, of Springfield; Sgt. DeForest L. Talbert, 22, of Alexandria; Marine Cpl. Binh N. Le, 20, of Alexandria; Staff Sgt. Russell Verdugo, 34, of Alexandria. Army Capt. Mark N. Stubenhofer, 30, from Springfield; Marine Gunnery Sgt. Javier Obleas-Prado Pena, 36, from Falls Church; Marine Sgt. Krisna Nachampassak, 27, from Burke; Army Staff Sgt. Nathaniel J. Nyren, 31, from Reston; Marine Lance Cpl. Tenzin Dengkhim, 19, from Falls Church, Navy Chief Joel Egan Baldwin, 37, from Arlington; Maj. Joseph McCloud, of Alexandria, and Major Gloria D. Davis, 47 of Lorton.

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Letter

Shameful Rejection

To the Editor:

I am extremely disappointed in Del. Timothy Hugo for his vote and role as Republican Majority Caucus Chair in rejecting the nomination of Tracy Thorne-Begland for a judgeship. Mr. Thorne-Begland has a distinguished military record and has served for a decade as an outstanding prosecutor. He

is also openly gay.

The shame of Virginia's past is our massive resistance to the inevitable march of civil rights. Mr. Hugo's role in this anti-gay vote and Virginia's role will likewise be judged by history as shameful and obstructionist to the inevitable extension of civil and human rights to gay Virginians.

Jerry Simonelli Attorney at Law Centreville

Spotlight Shines on Three Local Schools

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Chantilly

Chantilly's heartwarming play, "I Remember Mama" received nominations for: Best Play; Lead Actress in a Play, Amanda Miesner; Supporting Actor in a Play, John Downey; Stage Crew, organized by stage manager Emily James; Sets, A.J. Gresick, Drew Pardo, Roxy Shumate and Chloe Vasquez; Marketing and Publicity Team, Nicole Paladeau, Stephanie Feeback, Samantha Jones, Roshni Gorur, Hattie Clougherty and Julia Franke; and Graduating Critic, Amanda Miesner.

"We're always pleased to get nominations because we know how strong the competition is," said Director Ed Monk. "So it's hard to get a nomination." Delighted with his school's nominations for Sets, Stage Crew and Play, he said, "The nice thing about them is that they each involved everyone in the cast and crew."

He believes Chantilly has received Cappie nominations for Sets, every year but one. And there's a reason for that, he said. "The kids pay attention to detail so, for example, when a door opens, there's a wall or a room behind it, not a black curtain," said Monk. "They take the time to get the details right. We have kids who are willing to do that, which is wonderful."

He said it was also terrific to get a nomination for Marketing and Publicity because it's the first time it's been a Cappie category and "we were one of the first shows this year that did it. So it was nice that the girls were remembered."

Regarding the acting nominations, Monk said, "John really stepped up and did a dramatic part, for the first time, and did a really good job — and with an accent — which is really hard. And Amanda was the core of that whole show. I knew she could do it, and she did. She held the entire play together and gave a beautiful performance."

All in all, he said, "The nominations are the real honor and, if you win, it's gravy. If not, it's fine, because the Cappies Gala is a wonderful night for the theater. The kids get to dress up and have fun, and you don't get a sense of competition and rooting against people. The gala is more of a supportive night."

Centreville

For its production of "A Christmas Carol," Centreville received nominations for Featured Actor, Anthony Ingargiola; Makeup, Ashley Avila, Emily Berkley and Christa Guh; and Graduating Critic, Kelly Strauch. And Director Mike Hudson is pleased.

"I am thrilled with the nominations that Centreville received from the Cappies critics," he said. "Anthony Ingargiola is an ex-



The follies girls pose with male leads (from left) Joey Biagini and Colby Dezelick in Westfield High's musical, "Crazy for You."

tremely talented actor. He is one of the most dedicated people of his generation, as well as professional, exacting and a truly pleasant actor to direct."

Hudson also said Guh, Avila and Berkley really deserve the nomination for "A Christmas Carol's" makeup. "They oversaw makeup for over 60 actors, kept the dressing rooms neat and did it all with smiles," he said. "I was extremely impressed with the creative designs of Emily Berkley — they were striking and appropriate to the show."

Regarding the Critics Team, he said it's been a very active group. Each student on the team has seen at least five shows. Graduating Critic nominee Kelly Strauch "has been a driving force on our Critics Team, and she has also been pub-

lished four times," said Hudson.
"That is a fantastic record for any critic.

Kelly has a very analytical mind, and her reviews are precise and thoughtful. She has done an amazing job."

"Centreville has been very fortunate to have such talented students in the program, but this year's nominees really display the broad range of that talent," he added. "I am so very proud of



Posing in stern 1930s style are cast members of Chantilly High's play, "I Remember Mama."

CVHS Ranks Sixth in State

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students. We challenge them to be successful and always do their best."

Now, though, Campbell's time at Centreville is drawing to a close. He'll soon begin a new job with Huntsville City Public Schools in Alabama. He's worked 31 years in Virginia and 29 years for Fairfax County Public Schools, and he's been Centreville's principal since 2006.

He'd already planned to retire when the current school year ended and wanted to live in the South, fairly close to as one of the top school state — but also in the said Campbell. "It's kin the icing on the cake."

water, and in a place where he could make the most of his money. Huntsville filled the bill and, after retiring from FCPS on July 1, he'll take over the reins of J.O. Johnson High School there, on July 2.

Instead of a Wildcat, he'll be a Jaguar, but Centreville High will always have a special place in his heart. And this latest honor caps things off for him.

"It feels good to go out with us being recognized — not only as one of the top schools in the state — but also in the nation," said Campbell. "It's kind of like the icing on the cake."



At Virginia International Music Festival

Westfield High's Concert, Symphonic and Wind Symphony bands plus the Marching Bulldogs participated in the Virginia International Music Festival in Norfolk, April 27 and 28. It featured bands from as far away as Minnesota and International Bands from Belgium, Norway, Albania, plus military bands from each of the Armed Forces. The results from the International Music Festival: Jazz Band, Gold Medal, First Place Division III, Outstanding Solist Andrew Harrington;

Concert Band, Gold Medal, Second Place Division I; Symphonic Band, Gold Medal, First Place in Division II; Wind Symphony, Gold Medal, Outstanding Soloist Justin Carpenter, First Place Division II; Marching Band, International Parade of Nations, Gold Medal, Best Music, Best Marching. The four Gold Medals earned by WHS were 4 of the 6 Gold Medals given for the entire weekend of competition. Additional recognition included Grand Champion Jazz Band, Grand Champion Concert Band and Grand Champion Parade of Nations.

Children's Play at Chantilly High

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familiar story, but this version tells what might happen if one, little thing changes."

Portraying the evil stepmother is junior Kelly Dodd. "She's mean to Cinderella and has a really annoying laugh," said Dodd. "She's surrounded by idiots and thinks she's smarter than everyone else, but she's really not. She loves her daughter, but thinks her son is an idiot and babies him. She's not scary, but goofy and obnoxious."

Her character and Cinderella do some slapstick comedy together, which Dodd's enjoying. "In a children's show, I can make big, over-the-top movements, and my laugh is loud and nasally. And my character has such a big personality that I can go in every direction with her."

Dodd was also head of costuming, choosing attire from Chantilly's collection that would appeal to younger children. So the costumes will be bright and

shiny. "The royalty will have four different colors in their dresses, with big hoop skirts and varying patterns," she said. "There are also animal costumes and

Sophomore Sam McKee plays the prince. "He's 27, but still immature and awkward," said McKee. "He likes playing with model trains, instead of getting married, and he does everything his parents say. He also loves llamas and llama cheese and wants to be a llama farmer."

It's great playing this part, he said, because he can overreact and do strange things. Although McKee said it's a bit difficult "to seem awkward on stage, without actually being that way."

He likes children's shows "because of the kids' laughter and their reactions to jokes that you don't think are funny, but they do. It's fun seeing them have a good time. The storyline's funny, and they'll like all the humor and the relationships between the characters.'

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days 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.

Food pantry: Volunteers are needed Mondays and Wednesdays, from 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Furniture ministry: One person is needed to help move furniture that will be given to clients in need.

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 703-324-5406, VolunteerSolutions@fairfaxcounty.gov or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/olderadultservices/volunteer-solutions.htm.



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SCHOOLS



Justin Brown with his sister, Olivia

Justin Brown, a former Westfield High School student, graduated from Old Dominion University on May 4. He earned a diploma from the College of Arts and Letters as a Communications major, with an emphasis in Mass Media, and an English

minor, with an emphasis in Journalism. At ODU, Justin was also

the founder of Monarch Media, an organization created to link journalism forums around campus. After graduation, he plans to search for a job pertaining to his

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Ryan Wever with Doug and Linda Sue Wever.

major, to hopefully find his place in radio and broadcast journalism.

Ryan Wever, a former Westfield High School student, graduated from Christopher Newport University on May 12. He graduated with a Bach-

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elor of Arts degree in Sociology, with a concentration in Criminol-

ogy, and an Anthropology minor. Ryan was also a standout player for four years on the CNU football team. After graduating, Ryan currently works for Old Dominion Security at Fairfax Inova Hospital but is hoping to pursue a post in the Secret Service in years to come.

Melissa Stegner, a junior at Centreville High School, is one of 10 students nationwide chosen to be part of Mothers Against Drunk Driving's (MADD) first Power of You(th) National Teen Influencer Group. Stegner was selected based on her efforts to stop underage drinking at her school and in her community.

Stegner turned a personal trag-

edy into a community-wide effort after losing her father and brother in 2007 when a repeat drunk driving offender hit their car head on. Two years later, she volunteered for MADD, working to spread the word about the dangers of drinking and driving. She then made it her mission to stop underage drinking in her community in an effort to make an impact on drunk driving. Last fall, she started Centreville High School's Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD) chapter. She will now lend her expertise to MADD and State Farm through the Power of You(th) program.

Jarrod Austin Branch of Centreville, has been named to the Dean's List at The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina, for academic achievement. Branch is a cadet seeking a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice. Dean's List recognition is given to students whose grade point average is 3.2 or higher with no grade below a C for the previous semester's work. Branch and other Dean's List students will be recognized during a military dress parade in the fall.

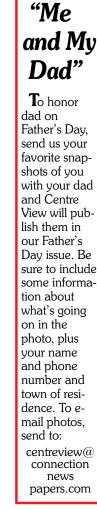
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Housing Discrimination Alert

Officials step up education, outreach efforts to reach immigrant communities about "fair housing" rights.

you're way behind the

discrimination cases

involving national origin and

disability-related issues."

By Victoria Ross Centre View

ousing discrimination cases have been on the rise in Fairfax County in the past few vears. And the Office of Human Rights and Equity Programs (OHREP), the agency that enforces fair housing laws in the county, is shining a spotlight on the problem through seminars for housing providers, Realtors, community groups and other interested parties.

"Sadly, housing discrimination is alive and well and we've seen an uptick in complaints during the past six years," said Kenneth Saunders, executive director of OHREP.

In contrast to national trends, discrimination based on nationality made up 25.6

percent of complaints to the "If you're still thinking this from county 2006 to 2010. In is only about color and race, comparison, about nine percent of complaints to Hous- curve...more recently, there ing and Urban Development has been an increase in (HUD) fall under this category.

Although discrimination based on race remains an issue, Saunders reports that in recent years he has seen

an increase in the number of complaints received by his office that are related to national origin or involve disability-related

"If you're still thinking this is only about color and race, you're way behind the curve...more recently, there has been an increase in discrimination cases involving national origin and disability related issues, Saunders said.

DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS,

Saunders said, are not filed by one particular group. "It runs the gamut. We have complaints from Latin Americans, Asians and Pacific Islanders, as well as individuals from the Continent of Africa."

During the past decade, Fairfax County has become more diverse. Today, 48 percent of county residents are ethnic or racial minorities, and in 2009, one-third of new residents were immigrants.

"In Fairfax County we consider our diversity to be one of our greatest assets," said Fairfax County Board of Supervisor's Chairman Sharon Bulova (D-At-large). "It is so important for us to make sure the rights of our minority communities are respected."

When it comes to complaints related to disabilities, the problem matches state trends. In Fairfax County, these complaints accounted for 28.4 percent of cases from 2006 to 2010. Similarly, disability-related discrimination comprised 27 percent of complaints to the Virginia Fair Housing Of-

When it comes to disability-related issues, the county's housing stock may contribute in part to the problem. Three-quarters of the county's housing was built prior to 1990. The Fair Housing Act was amended in 1988 to include disability as a protected class. Fair Housing Accessibility Requirements for new multi-family buildings did not go into effect until 1991, and many of the existing structures were not originally built to meet modern-day requirements.

Although many cases may go unreported, conservatively there are four million incidents of housing discrimination in the U.S. per year, according to estimates by the National Fair Housing Alliance.

In addition to its education and outreach activities, OHREP investigates and enforces fair housing laws through

the Human Rights Commission. The agency also investigates complaints related to employment, public accommodations, education and credit.

- Kenneth Saunders,

executive director of OHREP

Saunders said his staff does a significant amount of education and outreach to communities with limited English proficiency. Brochures detailing rights and how to file a complaint are published in six languages -Spanish, Arabic, Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese and Amharic, the second most-spoken Semitic language in the world, after Arabic, and the official language of Ethiopia

"Some landlords are uninformed about relevant fair housing laws, which is why we have a proactive education and outreach program for both sides - leasing agents landlords, and prospective tenants," Saunders said.

WHAT HAPPENS when the office receives a complaint?

OHREP has 11 full-time investigators, most of whom are attorneys who are juggling 35-45 cases at any given time. When someone makes a discrimination complaint. both parties are given the option to participate in mediation. If mediation doesn't re-



During a Fair Housing Conference last month, Kenneth Saunders (center), executive director of OHREP, presents Thomas Perez, Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights with the U.S. Department of Justice, with a Fair Housing poster created by a Centreville High School student.

solve the issue, the investigation continues.

"A large percentage of our cases are resolved through mediation and conciliation, where both parties agree to meet and settle complaints," Saunders said. "It is very rare for one of our cases to go to court." Saunders said there's usually a paper trail to give investigators enough evidence to determine if a case has merit.

While some cases involve blatant discrimination, others are more nuanced, a matter of one or more parties not understanding the law.

For example, in April 2010, a Fairfax County woman filed a complaint with the OPEHR alleging discrimination based on her disability, which required a dog as an "emotional support animal."

The property manager of the rental apartments where the woman lives told her that the association has a "no pets" rule. According to the property manager, the woman did not provide any details that showed the dog had been trained as a "service animal," and asked her to leave within a month if the dog remained in the apartment.

However, there's a crucial legal difference between animals governed under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) which requires animals to be trained so they can be out in public - and animals governed by the Fair Housing Act (FHA), said Patricia S. Fawcett, a human rights specialist and attorney with OHREP.

"Under the Fair Housing Act, you have to demonstrate that you are disabled and that you have a need for an emotional support animal that's connected to your disability. Fawcett said, stressing that even if there is a "no pet" policy, a person still has a right to have an emotional support animal living with him or her under the FHA.

The confusion in this case is not uncommon among property managers.

"This was an opportunity for education... In fact, I was educated about this when the complaint was filed, and I contacted HUD for guidance," she said. "There's a lot of confusion out there with housing providers and the public about what's protected and allowed under the Fair Housing Act, and what the ADA allows and requires."

In this case, an OHREP fair housing outreach and education specialist provided free training to the property manager, and the woman was able to keep the dog in her

"The important point here is to know your rights under the Fair Housing Act," Fawcett

County Ordinance

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SPORTS

Rams Defeat Westfield in Rainy Concorde Title Game

Robinson baseball builds 3-0 lead before weather delay; go on to 4-2 title game victory.

> By Rich Sanders Centre View

The title game was

but rainy conditions

forced postponement to

oth the Westfield and Robinson baseball teams, along with competing against one another in Tuesday night's Concorde District tournament baseball championship game, had to deal with sloppy, rainy weather conditions as well. Ultimately, following a third inning delay due to rain, the Rams of Robinson came away with a 4-2 finals win.

The title game was originally scheduled to be played on Monday night at Chantilly High, but rainy conditions forced postponement to Tuesday. While the contest did get played on Tuesday, the site was changed - from Chantilly High to Westfield.

The 6:30 p.m. scheduled start got off without a hitch. The game began with overcast clouds and the threat of rain, with a light sprinkle starting up later in the opening inning. Later, in the top of the third with

Robinson batting, the rain began coming down harder. By the time the half inning originally scheduled to concluded, the rain was coming down be played on Monday steadily and conditions were such that night at Chantilly High, the umpire crew stopped play until the rain stopped or slowed down.

Players from both teams helped pull a large, white tarp onto

the infield. The state of the art field protector also covered several feet of the outfield grass.

Tuesday.

Fans in attendance had sought shelter away from the ball diamond and the players, after putting the tarp on, stayed in their respective dugouts waiting to see what the remainder of the evening would bring. The rain grew harder and steadier.

Music from the press box — everything from the classic "Singing in the Rain" to the Beach Boys — echoed throughout the mostly vacated ball diamond and stadium area. The game's three umpires, along with game officials and media personnel, filled a crowded

Westfield head coach Chuck Welch came up to the press box, got to a computer, and checked the weather forecast for the remainder of the night on intellicast.com. A large, motionless heavy rain cloud, it appeared, loomed over the area and was there to stay.

"It's not the first time this year this has happened to us," said Welch, recalling a home game versus McLean in which the Westfield ball field was covered by tarp prior to the start of the game. Eventually, the non-district meeting got underway and was completed.

Speaking of the huge tarp, Welch, talking to the umpires and others in the press box, said, "I'm pretty sure this might be the only tarp [of this quality] in the Northern Region. It's pretty easy to put on, not so easy to take

Ultimately, the game resumed following a long delay. After the teams had ample time to warn up again, "play ball" was the call. Robinson, who led 3-0 when the game was initially stopped in the third inning, went on to the 4-2 championship victory.

Initially, at the start of the game and prior to the rain delay, things had gotten off to a somewhat rocky start for the Rams, although they did take an early lead. The guests had scored a run in the top of the first inning, thanks to an RBI double down the left field line and off the outfield wall by Rams' No. 3 batter Chase Bailey. The extra base hit, which came with one out, plated Patrick Baker, who had led off the game with an opposite field double down the right field line. Danny Herrera, Robinson's No. 2 batter, executed a sacrifice bunt to move Baker to third before Bailey's two-bagger accounted for the game's

> initial run and a lead the Rams would never relinquish.

> Following the double, Bailey Robinson's Denis Mikush walked and Will Miller reached on an infield single to lead the bases for the Rams, who were threatening to score more. But Westfield starting pitcher Bryan Drager retired the

next two batters and Robinson left the bases

But Robinson soon found itself in a serious jam upon taking the field. In Westfield's first inning at-bats, walks to the first three Bulldog batters — Matt Pisarcik, Wade Arduini, and Kyle Corwin - loaded the bases and forced Robinson head coach John James to make an early pitching change. Reliever Matt Spaulding, who started the game at shortstop, took over on the mound and somehow got out of the inning without the Bulldogs scor-

The first batter he faced, Patrick McLaughlin, sizzled a hard ground ball to third base. Rams' third baseman Herrera fielded the ball and threw home for a force play at the plate. Robinson catcher Kyle Hatterick, with one foot on home plate, made an outstanding short-hop catch of the throw for the innings first out. Spaulding then coaxed a 4-6-3 double play to get his team out of the inning unscathed and Robinson still ahead 1-0.

The game's next scoring inning came in the top of the third when Robinson scored twice to go ahead 3-0. Herrera and Bailey opened the inning by earning walks. A wild pitch advanced both runners before Mikush hit a high sacrifice fly down the right field line to score a run and make it 2-0. Next, Miller, who bats



PHOTO BY RICH SANDERS/CENTRE VIEW

Westfield baseball players enjoy the pre-game minutes prior to the start of Tuesday evening's Concorde District finals meeting versus Robinson. Rain factored into the title game, forcing a third inning delay.

CENTREVILLE HIGH SPORTS NOTEBOOK

Wildcat track and field took part in the Concorde District Championship meet last week. While much of the young squad gained valuable experience, several upperclassmen provided standout performances. Leading the list of athletes who qualified for the upcoming Northern Regional Championship meet was junior sprinter Michael Wright. He scored an exciting win in the 200-meter dash and a Virginia State-qualifying second place finish in the 400-meter sprint. Wright also provided a strong anchor leg for the boys' third place 4x400-meter relay team. Also helping secure that third place finish were seniors Jay Cowen and Brett Martin, along with

In just her third race after returning from an injury, junior Rebecca Vinter finished in third place in the girls 800-meter run. Also successfully coming back from an injury was junior Sydney Pryor, who placed sixth in the 300-meter hurdles.

In the field events, senior jumper Philip Christophe advanced to regionals with a second place finish in the long jump and a fourth place finish in the triple jump. Senior Sara Emsley placed third in the girls' discus. Also qualifying for regionals was senior thrower Nathan Milton, who placed second in the boys' discus and sixth in the shot put.

While finishing just out of the top three at the district meet, the boys' 4x800 relay team of Chan Young Lee, Daniel Molina, Calvin Jones and Chris Jones met the regional qualifying standard at the Draper Invitational earlier this spring and will compete at the championship this week. Sophomore Maryn Wood had already met the regional qualifying standard in the 100, 200, and 400-meter sprints and, while not competing in the district meet, will compete in the regional meet at Robinson Secondary.

left-handed, plated the innings second run on a fielder's choice ground ball to second base. When the half inning ended, Robinson had built a 3-0 lead just as the umpires were putting a temporary halt to the game due to the rain. The fairly long delay followed.

But at night's end, it was the Rams who nad outlasted the elements and beaten a strong team in the Westfield Bulldogs.

Both Robinson and Westfield are scheduled to host opening round Northern Region playoff games this Friday night. Their opponents will be Langley and Marshall from the Liberty District.

Correction

Centreville High senior Maggie Dulkerian, whose name was mistakenly omitted in last week's listing of All-Concorde District Girls Lacrosse members in the Centre View, was indeed an All-District player this spring. Dulkerian was named Second Team as an attack. The fourth year Centreville studentathlete has earned All-District accolades in each of her four seasons as a member of the Wildcats. Last year, she earned First Team All-District and Honorable Mention All-Northern Region honors.

SCHOOLS

Learning about Autism

April was Autism Awareness month and students at Union Mill **Elementary School had** an opportunity to participate in a sensory simulation activity during P.E. classes. **Students experienced** an obstacle course that simulated activities children with autism find helpful such as jumping, bouncing, pressure, etc. Students were rotated to other stations that simulated challenges for some



children with autism (perception confusion, fine motor challenges, and filtering out external stimuli). Pictured are second-graders trying to do everyday fine motor tasks. The activity gave students a better understanding of autism.

SCHOOL NOTES

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Murphy Luatua, a senior majoring in athletic training, from Centreville, made the Dean's List for the spring semester at Bridgewater College in the Central Shenandoah Valley. Students on the Dean's List have attained a 3.4 or better grade point average of a possible 4.0.

David Price of Centreville graduated from Rochester Institute of Technology with a bachelor of science degree in computer science from RIT's B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences in the winter 2011-2012 quarter.

Rocky Run Middle School is looking for World War II veterans and civilians to come to the school to share their eyewitness accounts at Rocky Run's 11th annual World War II Oral History Day (dubbed "The Latest Generation Meets the Greatest Generation") on Thursday, June 7. Contact teacher Jamie Sawatzky at 703-802-7700 or jbsawatzky@fcps.edu if you or someone you know is interested in joining us for this special event.

Murphy Luatua from Centreville received a degree in athletic training from Bridgewater College.

Brett Johnson, the son of Andrew and Kim Bensimon of Herndon and David Johnson of Centreville, was inducted into Randolph-Macon Academy's chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS) at a special ceremony conducted April 21, 2012. Brett is a junior at Randolph-Macon Academy.

Jessica Dunaye of Centreville has been selected for membership in Indiana University of Pennsylvania's chapter of Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society.

Dunaye, daughter of Jim and Regina Dunaye, is a 2009 graduate of Chantilly High School and is a criminology/pre-law major.

Joshua Couillard of Centreville earned a Bachelor of Science degree Creighton University during the spring commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 12, 2012.

Matthew **Davis** Centreville, a Virginia Tech junior majoring in industrial and systems engineering in the College of Engineering, is participating in the McNairs Scholar Program at Virginia Tech. The Ronald E. McNair Postbaccalaureate Achievement Program is designed to encourage and prepare undergraduate students for doctoral studies, who are either first-generation college students with financial need or students from groups under-represented in higher education. The program gives students an environment of support to gain the necessary skills to move onto graduate school, through the use workshops, faculty mentorships.

The following students from Centreville enrolled at Virginia Tech were named to the dean's list for the fall 2011 semester:

- A Damanjit Singh, a junior majoring in finance in the Pamplin College of Business.
- ❖ Navdeep Singh, a senior majoring in apparel, housing and re-

source management in the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sci-

- ❖ Jong-Hoon Sung, a junior majoring in biological sciences in the College of Science.
- A David H. Slover, a senior majoring in finance in the Pamplin College of Business.
- ❖ June Song, a junior majoring in human nutrition, foods and exercise in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.
- Stephanie M. Sor, a freshman majoring in biological sciences in the College of Science.
- ❖ Maria Spiridonova, a junior majoring in management in the Pamplin College of Business.
- ❖ Carly S. Stephens, a senior majoring in biological sciences in the College of Science.
- * Rehan A. Syed, a junior majoring in aerospace engineering in the College of Engineering.
- A Patrick K. To, a junior majoring in computer science in the College of Engineering.
- ❖ Rebekah Watkins, a freshman majoring in physics in the College of Science.
- Christina A. Wingfield, a sophomore majoring in hospitality and tourism management in the Pamplin College of Business.
- ❖ Yong Seok Uh, a senior majoring in civil engineering in the College of Engineering.
- ❖ Ashley G. Yum, a freshman majoring in communication in the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences.
- Stephen J. Zellner, a senior majoring in interdisciplinary studies in the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences.
- * Tiffany M. Zuniga, a sophomore majoring in university studies at Virginia Tech.

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Living Longer, Sort of **Prospering**



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Though my column has appeared in the newspaper as usual the last few weeks, I haven't felt much like writing. Typically, I'm weeks ahead with my column inventory, having regularly found the time and inclination to put pen to paper and provide the prose you regular readers have come to expect. To say I haven't been in the mood lately would be an oversimplification of epic proportions. To say that I've been depressed and dealing with the weight (subconsciously for sure, consciously for maybe) of my diagnosis, prognosis, life expectancy, and life as a cancer patient in general, would be more accurate. It's an admission I take no pride in making. I never wanted to be a victim of my own circumstances (unless I was quoting Curly Howard from The Three Stooges) and I never wanted to use my having cancer for an excuse/ explanation for anything. However, given my mood and manner these last few weeks and minimal literary output, that's exactly what I'm now doing; and I'm not too happy about it either, which almost makes its use even more disturbing

Obviously, living with a terminal disease is heavy duty. To think I could shrug it off - all the time, is a bit naive. Not that cancer has a mind of its own, but it does find a way to infiltrate your defenses and occasionally bring you to your knees, literally and figuratively. After all, I am human, not Vulcan. I am ruled by emotion, not logic. Though the good of the many outweigh the good of the one, this one is weighed down pretty good by the one not being so good. When I see and read and hear about real people and even fake people (television, movies, etc.) dying of cancer (and lung cancer is a particularly pernicious player), it's impossible for me, after repeated exposure, to not take it personally: as in: you're next!

So yes, I feel it. And the longer I live beyond my original prognosis, the heavier the weight of inevitability becomes. In spite of lifestyle choices and changes I've made, and the miscellaneous supplements and homeopathic-type remedies I've employed, there does seem to be a reality that one would be hard-pressed to ignore: a terminal diagnosis (which stage IV lung cancer is) is not identified as such because of where one was diagnosed (at the airport), it's how long one can expect to live based on the best medical and statistical information known at the time. And as much as I want to believe that such prognostications are merely educated guesses and subject to interpretation - and reinterpretation (which of course they are, to a degree), there is some reasonably acceptable medical data to support the notion that cancer kills. Though dismissing that notion and maintaining a positive attitude has thus far been my approach, there are days and weeks, like now, where that approach seems arrogant and pretentious, and I suffer accordingly, mentally mostly.

Not because of any recent change in my health or results (although this new chemo drug I'm on is exhausting me), it's more about the evolution of the reality: one can't live with terminal cancer forever, can they? I mean, it wouldn't be terminal if you could. There must be an end in sight. Otherwise, the end wouldn't have been mentioned at the beginning, during the original Team Lourie meeting with my oncologist. Sure, doctors can be wrong and I could be an anomaly: "the exception," as my brother, Richard has said, "that proves the rule," statistically speaking, anyway. But betting against long odds seems illogical; and if my years of faithful "Star Trek" viewing have showed me anything, it's that one's feelings can sometimes get in the way of how one acts, and not always with great results.

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Entertainment



FRIDAY/JUNE 1

SuperDuper Benefit Concert. 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Tickets are \$7/door. Benefit concert for Charity Music Inc., a non-profit instrument donation company. 100% of proceeds go towards the organization. They use the donations to provide instruments to children who can't afford them. Performances by local bands Send the City, All Access, and MADAM Myopia. Acoustic performances by Four Guys and a Piano, Andrew Rohlk, and more. Refreshments for sale. Contact mark.mbmusic@gmail.com for information on donating, performing, volunteering. Check out the page: Facebook.com/ SuperDuperBenefit. The event is at Frying Pan Park's Visitor Center, 2709 West Ox Road, Herndon.

FRIDAY/MAY 25

Swing Dancing. 9 p.m. to midnight. Cost is \$15. With Gina DeSimone and the Moaners. Dropin beginner swing lesson from 8:30 to 9 p.m.; dancing from 9 p.m. to midnight. At the Hilton Washington Dulles Airport, 13869 Park Center Road, Herndon.

SATURDAY/MAY 26

Brookfield Civic Association Meeting. 7:30 p.m. Guest speaker is Shane Ayers from the State Corporation Commission and State Del. Jim LeMunyon. Ayers will present a progress report on natural gas line inspections in the neighborhood and a status of negotiations with WGL. Meeting held at Brookfield Elementary School cafeteria.

TUESDAY/MAY 29

Retirement Open House. 6 to 9 p.m. For Centreville High Principal Mike Campbell. At the Centreville High School Media Center.

WEDNESDAY/MAY 30

Volunteer for Change Orientation. 6 to 7 p.m. Volunteers for Change, a volunteer program for busy professionals, students, stay-at-home moms/dads or anyone with limited time, is holding orientations for interested community members. Held at Volunteer Fairfax Office, 10530 Page Ave., Fairfax. Contact Jen Kivlin to register for the next orientation at 703-246-3895 or e-mail jkivlin@vlunteerfairfax.org.

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Beaux. Drop-in beginner swing lesson
8:30 to 9 p.m.; dancing from 9 p.m. to
midnight. At the Hilton Washington
Dulles Airport, 13869 Park Center
Road, Herndon.

Jazzcats Café. 7 p.m. Centreville High School's Jazzcats will be performing at the 3rd Annual Jazzcats Café. Then their prestigious guest band, Dave Detwiler & The White House Band will take the stage. Tickets are \$8/advance; \$10/door and can be purchased at jazzcatstix@yahoo.com. Tickets includes entrance to the cafe, terrific music, and a dessert with beverage. At the Centreville High School Cafeteria.

SATURDAY/JUNE 2

2012 Creative Dance Center Competition Team Showcase. 7

p.m. Tickets are \$10. The dancers compete regionally and nationally in Lyrical, Jazz, Tap, Open, Musical Theater and Contemporary categories. At Freedom High School, 25450 Riding Center Drive, South Riding.

Purchase tickets online at Institute of Performing Arts for Youth at http:// www.ipayouth.org/shop.html or visit any one of the studios in Chantilly, Ashburn, or South Riding.

JUNE 4 AND JUNE 5

Auditions for "The Producers." 7 to 9:30 p.m. Zemfira Stage is holding auditions for "The Producers." Contact Zina Bleck at zbleck@aol.com or 703-615-6626 to schedule a time to audition. Performances will be Thursdays through Sundays, Aug. 31 to Sept. 16 at the James Lee Community Center in Falls Church. Rehearsals will be in Centreville.

JUNE 5-9

Spring Jubilee. Westfield High School will host the Virginia High School League (VHSL) Group AAA Spring Jubilee June 5-9. The Spring Jubilee will determine state AAA champions in baseball, softball, and boys' and girls' tennis, soccer, and lacrosse. Baseball and softball competitions will be held at Westfield High beginning with semifinals set for Friday, June 8, and finals scheduled for Saturday, June 9. Tennis matches for boys and girls will be played at Jefferson District Park, 7900 Lee Highway, Falls Church, on Thursday, June 7; Friday, June 8; and Saturday, June 9. Girls' and boys' soccer semifinals are scheduled for Friday, June 8, and finals will be held

on Saturday, June 9. Boys' and girls' lacrosse semifinals are scheduled for Tuesday, June 5 (girls' semifinals), and Wednesday, June 6 (boys' semifinals). Finals are set for Saturday, June 9. Westfield High is at 4700 Stonecroft Boulevard in Chantilly.

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 6

Competititon Team Auditions. 6

p.m. Dancers should have a strong background in ballet and jazz in order to audition for the following year's team. Dancers should arrive in appropriate ballet attire (black leotard, pink tights, with hair in a bun) and bring all styles of current dance shoes (jazz, ballet, and tap). Interested audition participants must call the Chantilly Studio at (703) 378-1800 to reserve a space. At Creative Dance Center's Chantilly Studio, 14155 Sullyfield Circle, Suite E, Chantilly.

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and Spiritual Development Courses: (Includes Youth Bible Study)

