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Establishment Wins Democratic Primary

State senators beat out first-time candidates for lieutenant governor and attorney general.

By Michael Lee Pope The Connection

wo first-time candidates had a hard time beating back the establishment this week, as two state senators won the Democratic nomination for lieutenant governor and attorney general Tuesday night. State Sen. Ralph Northam (D-6) of Norfolk will be the Democratic nominee for lieutenant governor to go against Republican candidate E.W. Jackson. And state Sen. Mark Herring (D-33) of Loudoun County will be the Democratic candidate for attorney general against Republican state Sen. Mark Obenshain (R-26).

"The fact that they were already elected state officials in a low-turnout election gave them name recognition and gave them a base that served their interests," said U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11). "If you had doubled the turnout, those assets would not have been as prominent."

The turnout was very low, with only 140,000 voters participating. That gave an edge to the sitting state senators, both of whom had the backing of Senate Minority Leader Dick Saslaw. Across Virginia, party insiders dominated the precincts. That made it difficult for the two first-time candidates to break through. Aneesh Chopra of Arlington, a former chief technology officer for President Barack Obama, was running for lieutenant governor. And Justin Fairfax of Fairfax County, a former federal prosecutor, was running for attorney general.

"We are going to have this monochromatic slate again and I'm really disgusted," said Honorah Price, Democratic precinct captain of Park Lane in Arlington. "I don't really think it's so much a victory for the establishment as it is a victory for people who don't really understand what it takes to win in Virginia."

THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY offered a stark contrast to the Republican nominating contest, which was originally supposed to be decided in a statewide primary. Last year, Tea Party supporters of Republican Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli seized control of the executive committee and changed the rules. Instead of selecting the state of candidates in an election, party leaders decided to use a convention. That led moderate Republican Lt. Gov. Bill Bolling to drop out of the race, leaving Cuccinelli unopposed. On the Democratic side, nobody stepped forward to run against former Democratic National Committee Chairman Terry McAuliffe.



About 140,000 voters participated in Tuesday's election.

Election Returns

Candidates for Lieutenant Governor Ralph Northam Aneesh Chopra Candidates for Attorney General Mark Herring Justin Fairfax

 Votes
 Percent

 76,463
 54 percent

 64,408
 46 percent

 Votes
 Percent

 71,037
 52 percent

 66,547
 48 percent

"There's no question that the 2013 Democrat ticket will be among the most liberal in Virginia history," said Dave Rexrode, campaign manager for Cuccinelli in a written statement Tuesday night. "If elected, all three candidates will seek to advance ideologically driven, Washington, D.C. policies that will only exacerbate the uncertainty felt by so many job creators across the commonwealth."

Watching the results filter in at Cafe Asia in Rosslyn, many Democrats who fought for Chopra and Fairfax were deeply disappointed. Even though they vowed to work for the slate of Democratic candidates in the fall, they also felt a sense of loss that the ticket could not have been more liberal. Campaign staffers and volunteers said a ticket with Chopra and Fairfax would have added a sense of diversity because Chopra has Indian roots and Fairfax is an African American.

"I'm optimistic that candidate like Aneesh and Justin can continue to be successful in the future with the lessons learned," said Dave Stroup, who served as digital director for the Chopra campaign. "These weren't complete blowouts, so it shows that people are open to new ideas."

THE RACE lieutenant governor is usually a sleeper — an afterthought to the gubernatorial race and a stepping stone for candidates trying to make their way to the top of the ticket. Not this year. Because the state Senate is tied between 20 Democrats and 20 Republicans, the winner of the race for lieuten

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From left, Janis Blackburn, Cora Blackburn-Girard, Suzy Blackburn, Denney Blackburn, Lorraine

From left, Janis Blackburn, Cora Blackburn-Girard, Suzy Blackburn, Denney Blackburn, Lorraine Blackburn, Daniel Blackburn, Jenny Blackburn-Bowman and Cassidy Bowman. The Blackburn family all came together to attend the ceremony and see David Blackburn be honored by Robert E. Lee High School.

Class of '62 Remembers Fallen Classmates

In memory of three class members lost in Vietnam, the class awards scholarship to Sophia Kim.

BY MATT GILLICK
THE CONNECTION

enior classes of past and present generations apart were honored on Thursday, June 6 at Robert E. Lee High School for the annual senior awards ceremony.

Current students, just weeks away from graduation, received awards from the academic and athletic departments. In addition to these superlatives were scholarships given to selected students who demonstrated excellence in character and academics. Speaking in regards to these honors Principal Abe Jeffers said, "We have quite a tally of scholarships with a total of about \$2.1 million." One in particular was the Class of 1962 Blackburn, Brown and Plunkett Memorial Scholarship.

Graduates from '62 and acting LAFA representatives Jon Clarke and Lane LeBosquet took to the podium holding a poster with the three fallen alumni's graduation portraits and addressed the audience.

Class members from the graduating class of 1962 do-

nated \$2,000 to the Lee Alumni and Friends Association (LAFA) to create the memorial scholar-ship remembering three of their classmates who were killed in the Vietnam War. The criteria for receiving this honor is, as LAFA member Lane LeBosquet read to the audience, "At least a 2.8 grade point average as well as a clean school record without any suspensions."

LeBosquet then spoke about the importance of never forgetting those who have sacrificed. She said, "We are honoring three of our class members who were lost in Vietnam. We want you all to join us in remembering our three. It is still hard talking about them." Visibly somber, she handed the microphone to Jon Clarke to continue with their program.

Clarke spoke next and gave a biography of the men the scholarship is named after: David Blackburn, David Brown and Gerald W. Plunkett. David Blackburn's family attended the ceremony, including his father Denney and mother Lorraine. Clarke said Blackburn is re

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"We are honoring three of our class members who were lost in Vietnam. We want you all to join us in remembering our three. It is still hard talking about them."

—Lane LeBosquet



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State Senators Win Primary

ant governor may end up holding the balance of power. Democrats feel energized because they are running against a Republican who has compared Planned Parenthood to the Ku Klux Klan and called gays sexually "twisted."

"Tea Party candidate E.W. Jackson has proven that his extreme views and rhetoric would divide Virginians and prevent bipartisan progress," said Del. Charniele Herring (D-46), chairwoman of the Democratic Party of Virginia. "Our Democratic nominee, Ralph Northam, will work tirelessly to bring mainstream values and a bipartisan approach to the office of the lieutenant governor."

The campaign for lieutenant governor threatens to overshadow the race for governor because Jackson has been such a lightning rod. In a fiery speech to the Republican convention, Jackson declared that he would stand up for traditional marriage and strongly oppose abortion. Since he has secured the spot on the ticket, however, Jackson's public statements have become more muted. After Tuesday night's election, Jackson attacked Northam and the Democrats for wanting to campaign on "divisive social issues." Jackson also sought to blast the Democrats for allowing public participation in the process of selecting candidates.

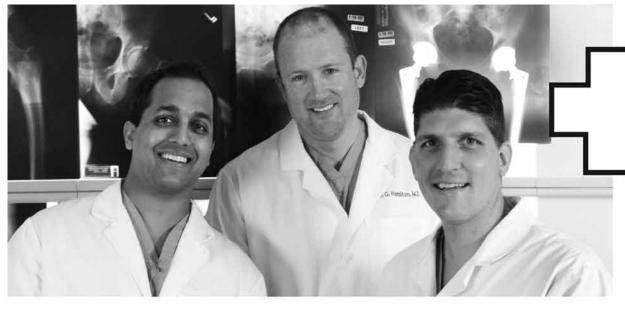
"After a historically low turnout at an expense of millions to Virginia's taxpayers, Democrats have selected Ralph Northam as their nominee for lieutenant governor," Jackson said in a written statement Wednesday morning. "Northam's selection is just another part of the most liberal ticket in Virginia history."

THE CAMPAIGN for attorney general is expected to be a more difficult fight for Democrats, who have not been able to file a successful campaign for that office since 1985. That's when Del. Mary Sue Terry (D-13) of Patrick County was able to score a victory against Republican candidate W.R. O'Brien, a former University of Richmond football star who represented Virginia Beach in the House of Delegates. For the last six election cycles, Republicans have dominated the campaign for attorney general. That includes the current governor, who is a former attorney general as well as the current attorney general, who is running for governor.

"The GOP candidate for attorney general, Mark Obenshain, may not give fiery, rhetorical speeches like you hear from Rev. Jackson, but he's just as dangerous," said Herring in a written statement after securing a victory Tuesday night. "That's not the Virginia we want. We are sick of the abuse of authority and this fall we will end it."

Democrats have already indicated that they are want to focus their campaign for attorney general on the same social issues that have dominated the race for lieutenant governor. Last week, Democrats organized a conference call to draw attention to a bill Obenshain introduced in the General Assembly that would have required women who have a miscarriage without a doctor present to report it to police within 24 hours or face jail time.

"Frankly, the extremism — real extremism — of Republican ticket is such that a lot of swing voters and moderate Republicans are going to peel off," said



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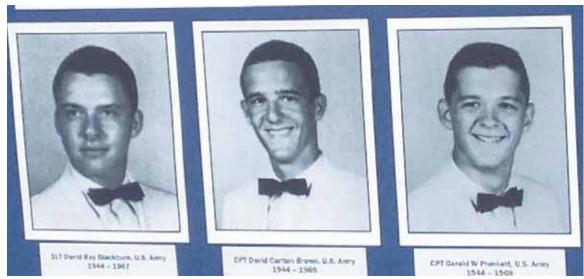
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Pictured, from left, in their graduation portraits from 1962 are David Blackburn, David Brown and Gerald Plunkett. All three were killed in the Vietnam War.

Fallen Classmates Remembered

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membered as "a gentleman who had a quick wit and talent for music." He died at the age of 23 as a first lieutenant helicopter pilot after crashing his helicopter following a firefight. David Brown graduated from West Point and served in Vietnam as a foot soldier making the rank of captain and killed at the age of 24 from small arms fire. Gerald Plunkett was a helicopter pilot and also a captain; he fell at 24 when he crashed from hostile gunfire, only two weeks after Brown fell.

Before LeBosquet announced the winner Clarke

closed with pointing to the poster of the three men and advised, "You look at their graduation pictures and they were like you. You may someday be called as well to step forward."

LeBosquet then announced the winner was Sophia Kim. Hiding her initial shock, the elated senior accepted her award. After the ceremony, Kim said she was "actually really honored and surprised. I am so happy they chose me. I want to definitely carry on the three alumni's names in the community because that is the best way in enduring their legacy." Kim will be attending the University of Virginia in the fall.

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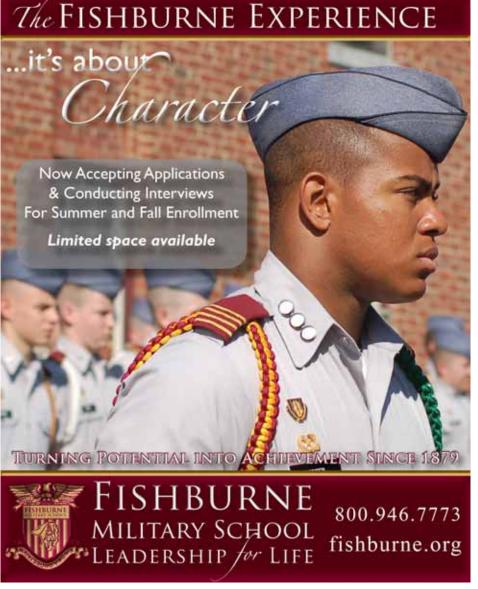


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Measure of Being Poor in Virginia

By Kenneth R. "Ken" Plum State Delegate (D-36)

have always maintained that the poor in Northern Virginia are worse off than others living in less affluent parts of the state because the cost of living is higher in this region. The difference can be most clearly seen in the cost of housing; and there have been many notable efforts on the part of local governments to increase the

stock of workforce, affordable housing. The traffic coming into Northern Virginia from the west and south

is made up largely of people who cannot afford housing in the area.

Those interested in the details of the calculations are encouraged to review the full re-

Oddly, the official poverty measure that has been used to calculate the official poverty rate has been a one-size-fits-all statistic that does not account for regional differences in the cost of living. That situation is about to change with the introduction of the Virginia Poverty Measure (VPM) by the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service at the University of Virginia (www.coopercenter.org). These are the professionals who maintain all the demographics of Virginia's population and who produce official population estimates upon which many pro-

grams are funded and decisions are made. Their work follows that done in other states and by other agencies seeking to get a more accurate measure of poverty.

The Virginia Poverty Measure takes into account regional differences in the cost of living, updated consumer patterns, government programs that affect family income, taxes and credits, and health care costs. While the formula to arrive at a realistic number that

reflects poverty-level living conditions is more complex, it is also likely to be more realistic as to actual experiences of individuals.

Those interested in the details of the calculations are encouraged to review the full report "The Virginia Poverty Measure: An Alternative Poverty Measure for the Commonwealth" at http://www.coopercenter.org/sites/default/files/publications/VirginiaPovertyMeasure_May2013.pdf.

The introduction of the VPM brings some significant changes to our understanding of poverty. Under the Virginia Poverty Measure, Northern Virginia counties and cities with some of the highest median incomes in the nation are shown to have a significantly greater extent of economic deprivation than what offi-

cial poverty statistics suggest. The inside the beltway official poverty rate goes from 7.4 percent to 12.3 percent under the VPM. Fairfax goes from 6.4 percent to 9.7 percent. In contrast, Southwest Virginia goes from an official rate of 21 percent to 16 percent. The main explanation for the change is taking into account differences in cost of living and the existence of programs to relieve poverty. Calculation of the new rate found that fewer children are in poverty, dropping from 15.6 percent to 13 percent. Under the Virginia Poverty Measure, more Virginians are in "near poverty" and fewer are in "deep poverty."

To the degree that the new methodology creates a better understanding of the existence of poverty, it will be a challenging task for policy makers to incorporate this information into budget and program decisions. Presumably there could be a shift of resources among the regions of the state, and such changes can create winners and losers. The new numbers should be a wake-up call to wealthy Northern Virginians that there are more in need among us than we had previously thought to be the case. The new method of measuring poverty is an important new tool for policymakers.

FATHER'S DAY PHOTO GALLERY



Keifer and Dusty Michael of Springfield pause for a moment at Keifer's confirmation at St. Bernadette's Church.



Nathan, Wayne and Bobby Pereyra of Springfield don't waste time posing for the camera. The family enjoys being the life of the party.



Harold and Kyle Michael of Springfield relax in the park while Kyndra hangs around.



Greenspring resident Bill Kenealy with granddaughter Olivia Leake in winter 2013.

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The whole Fashion Club team poses to celebrate a successful Fashion Show and Shoot.

Feeling Special for a Day

Accotink Academy students show off more than custom-made clothing at Fashion Show and Shoot.

By Elizabeth Casey
The Connection

he Accotink Academy Fashion Club, led by the secondary school teachers Nina Lojanica ("Mrs. I") and Fallon Keplinger, hosted their annual Fashion Show and first professional fashion shoot on Thursday, June 6, on site at Accotink Academy in order to celebrate the handmade clothing the members of the club produced and styled.

Tucked across the street from West Springfield High School, Accotink Academy consists of the Therapeutic and Learning Schools, two separate schools specializing in educating students with learning and emotional disabilities. A large population of the school is from the D.C. public school system and is bused to Accotink Academy daily for the individualized learning environment that has an extensive vocational training and education program that assists students in moving into the workforce or higher education after graduation.

THE STUDENTS involved in Thursday's Fashion Show and Professional Shoot are a part of the Fashion Club, an elective that is an extension of the clothing and textiles vocational program at Accotink. Chasni Gerald, a health educator at Accotink, helps with the club and describes it as "something for the girls," where they can meet every day during school hours in order to learn to sketch, design, sew, crochet and model their own personal work. But what is most inspirational about this club and program are the real-life skills and lessons that these



Fashion Club member Markia strikes a pose while she looks on to the teacher, Fallon Keplinger, who holds a sign reminding students of the poses they had practiced.

young women develop, and the future aspirations the students set for themselves based on their experiences at Accotink.

Ms. Keplinger and Mrs. L strive to instill a higher level of self-esteem in their students who have not necessarily had the easiest experiences in schools, by teaching them to find confidence through experimenting with their own personal style and with well-fitting clothes. One student, Emani, said the class and club led her to break out of her shell by creating her own personal style. She described her relationship with Mrs. L sentimentally, saying, "if I hadn't met her, I wouldn't be the person I am today."

These educators hold their young ladies to high expectations through finding a posi

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Designing a Colorful World

Local interior design experts offer suggestions for choosing paint colors for one's home.

> BY MARILYN CAMPBELL The Connection

hoosing paint for one's home can be a daunting task. Colors often look different on paint chips and fan decks than they do on interior walls. What are some of the secrets to making the right choices? Local interior designers offer suggestions.

Jean P. Freeman, professor of interior design at Marymount University, says considering a room's lighting is a good starting point. "What is the lighting in the room, sunlight from the exterior [and] overhead lighting?" she asks. "The amount of light would assist in determining how dark or light the walls could be. To brighten the room obviously lighter colors are preferred; but to add excitement bright colors with enough light would be a great choice.'

Before painting an entire room, look at the paint samples in a variety of lighting conditions, advises Hope Hassell, specialty designer at Sun Design in Burke. "Natural light has a tendency to wash out colors that otherwise look good in artificial light," she there are many colors in a space, not just the paint mobility solution so perfectly ratiosaid. "Always look at the paint sample throughout the day so you can see what it looks like in morning sun as one of the colors in the room." versus afternoon sun versus at night when there is no natural light in the space."

Artificial light also impacts the way paint looks in a room. "Fluorescent light can make a cream or beige paint take on a yellow hue," said Hassell. "Other colors that are in the space are also a huge factor when selecting a paint. Colors can often enhance and affect the paint around them. Make sure to apply small areas of paint near the different colors in the room, whether it is the trim around the door or the wood stain of the floor or cabinetry."

Marika Meyer of Marika Meyer Interiors in Bethesda encourages homeowners to consider the mood that they'd like to create in a room when selecting paint. "It's important to figure out the overall feel of the that make a statement. Whether it is painting one corner lot with a sloping hill. A secspace, such as warm or cool," she said. "What kind of energy do you want to get out of a space? For ex- or painting the front door a flame orange, bright, satu- hampered only by occasional ample, family rooms often have a lot of energy and therefore, people tend to use brighter colors. In the living room, consider a softer palette for a retreattype setting. Deciding on a room's energy and tone are good starting points.'

Susan Hergenrather, assistant professor of interior design at Marymount University agrees that paint colors help create a room's mood. "Think about the favorite piece of upholstery and see the types being folded and removed at the end of family place and enhance our curb different mood of a red room versus a blue room," she said. "Most people have a palette that they are colors and everyday life." mother's antique carpet."

a color scheme. For example, complimentary colors for. If red is a favorite of yours use a high quality turned out to be a real problem," itself. The plan called for a path- hill on his own, it's the complete work well for almost everyone," she said. "Pick up a paint such as Benjamin Moore Aura ... great stuff that Cassidy said. "The contractors we way in which Chris Cassidy could fulfillment of everything we'd color wheel and use it. Too many colors make an in-really covers."



Interior designer Marika Meyer believes homeowners should decide on the energy and tone they want to create in a room before choosing a paint color. Meyer selected soft hues to create a warm feel in this McLean library.

terior too complex. Keep it simple. Also remember colors. Don't forget to consider the color of the floor nalized that the improvement ex-

Test before buying is another suggestion that to how it looks." Hergenrather offers. "Always site test colors. Manufacturers have sample pots for this purpose," she said. "Put the colors on your walls in several different places" gets the vision can be difficult. Just and live with them for a few days before making the final decision."

WHAT ARE THE CURRENT TRENDS in paint Accotink for 15 years. Son Chris, colors? "For interiors, I'm using a lot of grays," said Meyer. "Previously, for more than a decade, beiges were popular, but now gray tones are in. Taupes are nosed with muscular dystrophy also popular right now in terms of paint colors."

Hassel said, "We are experiencing that people are and shortly thereafter the family starting to be more adventurous with bright colors moved to the pretty ranch on a wall a peacock green for an accent in a living room rated colors are being used on the inside and outside struggles in moving Chris' scooter

Freeman said that intensity in color is popular now. "Bright colors with flare or pastels that seem to rep-came a factor. To help him get from resent ice cream colors are all part of the current trends," she said. "Neither should be dull, but both should be more intense. Pick up the colors of your a fold-out ramp, which they replayed, one against the other. Opposites do attract in the day.

instinctively drawn to, for example violet and yellow For those with historic homes who want to recre- tomed to going places, the Cassidys that there wasn't any reason why effect on a warm night when the green. Look at the colors you already have in your ate the hues of a forgone era, designers say that many stepped up their search for ways a universal design solution has to family gathers for a cook-out. home and build your palettes around the things that manufactures now have palettes that replicate his- to appropriately retrofit the house look like it was created for handiyou love whether it is your favorite sofa or your toric colors. "I particularly like Farrow and Ball but itself. they are expensive," said Hergenrather. "However, "Finding someone who under-Hergenrather also suggests simplicity. "Always use with paint, as with anything, you get what you pay stood our range of requirements ficulties were inherent to the site ing off for school, or coming up the

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By John Byrd

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Of course, as a practical matter, finding a skilled change-agent who ask Grace Cassidy.

The Cassidy family has occupied a two-level brick ranch near Lake who is now a graduate student at American University, was diagwhen he was not quite 3 years old, ond child was born. Life went on, as he got older. Gradually, Chris's natural drive to independence bethe front of the house to sidewalk, for instance, the family deployed

discussed our needs with either easily get from the front door to a hoped for."

didn't know what they were doing, waiting school bus at the foot of or just turned us down outright. the driveway one level below. Since That's when I recognized that the the existing downward path consisted of a series of staircases and walk-ways built along a rapidlydeteriorating brick retaining wall, of Glickman Design Build. What is the feasibility issues seemed dauntparticularly "specialized" about ing

The Cassidy family has occupied the ranch on a corner lot for 15 years; owing to site

challenges, most of the contractors they originally approached with their access require-

"Of course, there was an obvious remodeler is that he's learned site preparation component," Glickman said. "We had to cultivate his own son, Michael, who was the grade so that the scooter can negotiate it without difficulty. This born with cerebral palsy, and is also a college student living at home entailed a certain amount of earthmoving and re-compaction, which we secured with a two-part retaining wall system that now figures into the new landscaping plan."

> The newly paved side walkway extends some 90 feet from the front door to the driveway, never rising faster than one inch per foot.

The space-constricted former front porch has been replaced by to certifications in Aging in Place an L-shaped veranda that wraps (CAPS), Environmental Access the home's northwest corner as it (CEAC) and Green Building segues to the new outdoor grilling (GACP). For Cassidy, though, the deck.

Surrounded by matures trees and recently completed landscaping, the new outdoor space is elegant and private.

To assure traction and durability, Glickman specified Fiberon decking. For atmosphere, the railappeal. That intrigued all of us," ing caps are fitted with Azek night As Chris became more accus- Grace Cassidy said. "I began to see lighting — which creates a pretty

> "But the greatest pleasure for me is how well this works for Chris," That said, the most evident dif- Grace said. "When I see him head-

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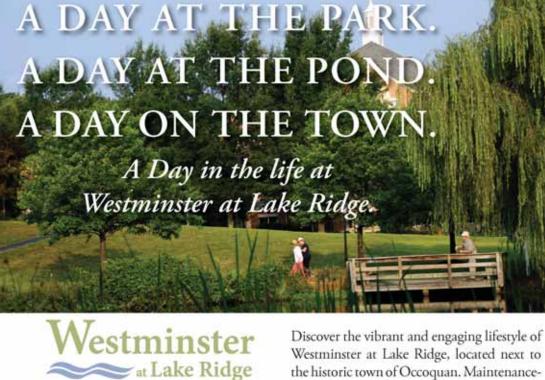
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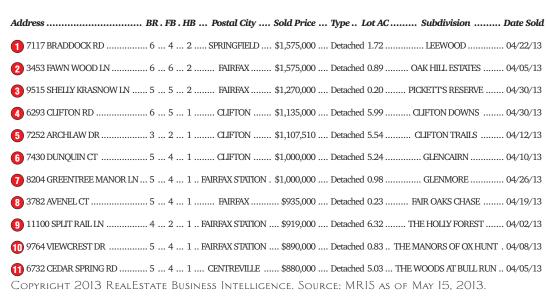


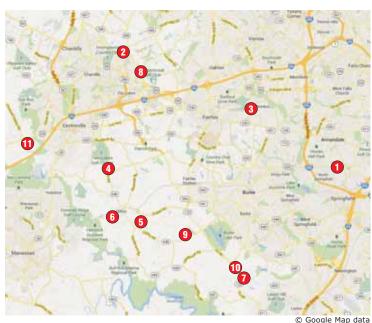




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SPORTS



Lake Braddock senior Nick McIntyre pitches against Great Bridge in the state semifinals on June 8.



Junior pitcher Colby Wallmow is one of several Bruins who saw significant playing time who will return for the 2014 season.

Lake Braddock Baseball Falls in State Semifinals

Bruins surrender 8 runs to Great Bridge in 5th inning.

he Lake Braddock baseball team was nine outs from returning to the AAA state championship game after senior catcher Garett Driscoll broke a scoreless tie with a two-run homer in the bottom of the fourth.

Great Bridge's response in the top of the fifth left the Bruins nine outs from the end of their season.

Great Bridge sent 14 batters to the plate in the fifth inning and scored eight runs, propelling the Wildcats to an 8-3 victory over Lake Braddock on June 8 in the state semifinals at Westfield High School.

After Driscoll's home run, Ryan Henderson added an RBI sac fly, giving Lake Braddock a 3-0 lead after four innings. But everything fell apart for the Bruins in the fifth, when the first nine Great Bridge batters, and 11 of the first 12, reached base.

Great Bridge lost to Hanover 2-1 in the state championship game the following day.

Lake Braddock, led by head coach Jody Rutherford, overcame an abundance of early-season injuries to finish the season with a 23-5 record and a Northern Region championship. The Bruins, who won the 2012 state title, went



Lake Braddock senior Garett Driscoll hit a two-run home run against Great Bridge in the AAA state baseball semifinals on June 8 at Westfield High School.

13-1 against Patriot District foes during the McIntyre. regular season and reached the district championship game, where they lost to South

Lake Braddock will graduate several key players, including Driscoll, pitcher Thomas Rogers, center fielder Alex Gransback, third baseman Alex Lewis and pitcher Nick

The Bruins will return multiple athletes who saw significant playing time, including junior shortstop Jack Owens, junior pitcher/infielder Joe Darcy, junior pitcher Colby Wallmow and the sophomore trio of Matt Supko, Nick Neville and Evan Eschenburg.

—Jon Roetman

Sports Roundups

A's Draft West Springfield Grad Wahl

Ole Miss pitcher and 2010 West Springfield High School graduate Bobby Wahl was selected by the Oakland Athletics in the fifth round, No. 161 overall, of the 2013 MLB draft, held June 6-8.

Wahl helped lead West Springfield to the 2010 AAA state baseball championship. He was selected in the 39th round of the 2010 MLB draft by the Cleveland Indians.

South County Wins Girls' Track State Title

Led by Felicia Majors, South County won the 2013 girls' AAA state track and field championship.

South County finished with a score of 50, followed by runner-up Western Branch (37) and third-place teams Osbourn Park (28) and Great Bridge (28). Lake Braddock finished eighth (22) and West Springfield was 13th (19).

Majors won the 400-meter dash individual title with a time of 53.65 seconds. She took second in the 200 meters (24.54), pole vault (11 feet, 9 inches) and long jump (19-4 1/2), third in the triple jump (38-8) and fourth in the 100-meter dash (12.04).

The West Springfield girls' 4x800-meter relay team of Caroline Alcorta, Reagan Bustamante, Katie Kennedy and Maddie Wittich won a state title with a time of 9:06.07.

Robinson's Macev Schweikert won the 1600meter individual title with a time of 4:51.15. Lake Braddock's Hannah Christen placed third (5:01.13). Christen also finished third in the 3200 meters (10:53.37). Edison's Nicie Grier-Spratley took third in the high jump (5-6) and Lake Braddock's Rachael Fasana placed third in the pole vault (11-3).

In boys' action, Edison's Louis Colson took second in the 3200 (9:12.14) and Lake Braddock's Nick Tuck finished third (9:16.46).

Calendar

Send notes to the Connection at south@connectionnewspapers.com or call 703-778-9416. The deadline is the Friday prior to the next paper's publication. Dated announcements should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event For more entertainment events in the county, go to: http://www.connectionnewspapers.com/news/2013/may/22/fairfax-county-calendar/.

SATURDAY/JUNE 15

Black Masala. 7-8 p.m., at Workhouse Arts Center At Lorton, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. DC's own gypsy music inspired horn band plays Eastern European and New Orleans influenced ambient/experimental indie rocke with a hint of Appalachian twang. www.facebook.com/BlackMasala.

SUNDAY/JUNE 16

The Northern Virginia NTRAK

Display. 1-4 p.m, Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road, Fairfax Station. Members will have a display and N gauge trains running. Adults: \$5; Children: \$1. 703-425-9225 or www.fairfax-station.org.

FRIDAY/JUNE 21

The 9. 7:30-8:30 p.m., at Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield. The 9 Songwriter Series is a traveling mini songwriter festival based out of the Washington, D.C. Metro Area, founded by singer/songwriter Justin Trawick. http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances/.

SATURDAY/JUNE 22

Art Party on the Quad. 9:30 a.m. group walk, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. events, at the Workhouse, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. The community gathers for an interactive, educational art fest of art projects, storytelling, music, bubble art, interactive history, artist demonstrations and tours and a community pillow fight. www.workhousearts.org.

The First Annual Clifton Plein Air Festival. 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Clifton Wine Shop, 7145-C Main Street Clifton. Come and enjoy a wonderful weekend of art and fun where local artists will be painting throughout the town. \$25.

www.ArtGuildofClifton.org.

Enter the Haggis. 7-8 p.m.,
Workhouse Arts Center at Lorton,
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Haggis offers a high energy, Celticbased explosion of blues, funk and
rock, www.enterthehaggis.com.

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 26
Powerful Questions for Peace in



The Art Guild of Clifton holds the first annual Clifton Plein Air Festival the weekend of June 22-23 in Clifton, rain or shine. The event features the amateur, intermediate and top-level artists, with special categories for teens and younger artists, painting outdoors all day with a silent auction to follow in the Red Barn.

Parenting. 10-11:30 a.m., at Kirkwood Presbyterian Church, 8336 Carrleigh Parkway, Springfield. Coffee, tea and homemade treats for moms interested in exploring the hard questions about how to parent their children; round table discussion led by mother-of-six Donna Christophersen. \$7. Email number of children attending at MomsOnTheRun4@gmail.com. www.clear-action.net

FRIDAY/JUNE 28 ROCK-N-KIDS Summer

Program. 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., at Empire, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. Sing and dance with Conductor Brii & Quentin every other Friday; for ages 5-10. \$5 show; \$10 for lunch and show. 703-569-5940.

FRIDAY/JUNE 28

City of Fairfax Main Street Community

Band. 7:30-8:30 p.m., at Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield. The Main Street Brass Quintet repertoire ranges from Baroque to Beatles including works by Gabrieli, Stephen Foster, Holst, as well as some arrangements by members of the group. www.fairfaxband.org.



Rock-N-Kids is a summer program filled with singing and dancing held every other Friday beginning June 28 at 11:30 a.m. at Empire in Springfield.

SATURDAY/JUNE 29

SEPA

Sierra Hull. 7-8 p.m., at Workhouse Arts Center at Lorton, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. A virtuoso on the mandolin, Sierra Hull is one of the brightest new stars in bluegrass. www.sierrahull.com.



Fashion Club President Jasmine strikes a pose as Jon David Salon employee Katy does some last minute hair touch-ups.

Fashion Show at Accotink Academy

From Page 7

tive group dynamic within the club and instilling the idea that "appearance and first impression are the most important things," according to Ms. L.

These young fashion designers were not only learning how to draw and make clothing, but according to Keplinger, they also spent time learning day-to-day life skills such as how to walk with good posture and behave politely in an interview. The students also practiced etiquette by sending thank-you cards to the many community donors that helped with the show.

The work of Mrs. L and Ms. Keplinger and the students of Accotink came to life on Thursday when members participated in four themed shoots including "personal style," "dress for success," "black and white," and to finish it off, an ode to their generation, "teenager." One student, China, de-

fined fashion as an "art" and a classmate, Joyce, was proud of her polka dotted "Minnie Mouse" skirt and an upcoming project to redesign a prom dress to her liking.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE FASHION CLUB, Jasmine, will be moving on to higher education next year, and although her dreams do not take her down a path of fashion designing, she claimed the lessons she has learned at Accotink as a leader doing something she loves as a hobby, will follow her throughout life. Keplinger summed up the show perfectly when she said "all I wanted was for my girls to feel special for one day ... like they mattered." The Fashion Club's show did just that; it gave a group of girls that have overcome many obstacles a chance to show off their skills, confidence and newly formed self-esteem, which they will be able to grace the world with upon graduation.

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West Springfield Wins Acting Cappies Honor

est Springfield High received an acting honor at the 14th annual Cappies Gala, Sunday night, June 9, at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. Robinson Secondary captured the Best Musical honor for "Hairspray," and Madison won Best Play for "Lend Me a Tenor."

Catherine Ariale captured the Cappie award for Lead Actress in a Play for West Springfield's production of "The Diary of Anne Frank." Afterward, the humble but jubilant, student was delighted to receive the starry statuette for her portrayal of Frank, a young Jewish girl in hiding during World War

"It's incredible," said Ariale. "I literally did not expect it, at all, because I'd heard how good the other shows were from a Cappies critic at my school. But it was an amazing experience, and I'm so thankful for my director, Bernie De Leo, for giving me this opportunity. I would not be here today without him."

-Bonnie Hobbs



Lead Actress in a Play: Catherine Ariale, West Springfield High School, "The Diary of Anne Frank."

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— Catherine Ariale

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Bradley Pierce Efford of Springfield graduated with a Master of Fine Arts degree in creative writing during Hollins University's 171st commencement ceremony on May

Below are the NHSCA's 2013 All-American Academic Team, listed alphabetically by graduating class:

Zak DePasquale competes in the sport of wrestling at Robinson Secondary School under coaches Bryan Hazard and John DePasquale. He currently has a GPA of 4.3 and a combined SAT score of 1460. He placed eighth in his state tournament his freshman year and fourth his junior year. He is considering several Ivy League schools. Westfield High School junior Nick O'Connell is on the varsity track and field and cross-

country teams. In college he plans to double major in computer science and electrical engineering. O'Connell has also been accepted at Stanford University's Summer College. When he returns he will begin practice for the 2013 fall cross country season. **Brendan O'Connor** is a junior at Robinson Secondary School in Fairfax and has been selected to be among the 500 attendees, out of 4,000 applicants, at West Point's prestigious Summer Leaders Experience (SLE) in June.

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Permit name: Virginia Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit – Wastewater issued by DEQ, under the authority of the State Water Control Board

APPLICANT Name, address and permit number: Colchester Utilities, Incorporated P. O. Box 379, Dunkirk, Maryland 20754. VA0029416

Name and address of facility: Colchester Utilities, Inc. WWTP 10609 Greene Drive, Lorton, VA 22079

Project description: Colchester Utilities, Inc. has applied for a reissuance of a permit for the private Colchester Utilities, Inc. WWTP. The applicant proposes to treat sewage wastewaters from residential areas at a rate of 0.080 million gallons per day into a water body. The sludge will be disposed by hauling it to Noman M. Cole, Jr. Pollution Control Plant (VA0025364) for incineration. The facility proposes to release the treated sewage wastewaters into Massey Creek in Fairfax County in the Potomac River watershed. A watershed is the land area drained by a river and its incoming streams. The permit will limit the following pollutants to amounts that protect water quality: pH, cBOD5, TSS, Ammonia as N, Dissolved Oxygen, E. coli, Chlorine, and Total Phosphorus.

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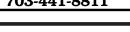
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