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## Centreville Man Named County Police Chief

**Supervisors appoint  
Lt. Col. Edwin C.  
Roessler Jr.**

BY BONNIE HOBBS  
CENTRE VIEW

**E**ffective Tuesday morning, a Centreville resident, Lt. Col. Edwin C. Roessler Jr., became Fairfax County's new chief of police. He was appointed July 30 by the county Board of Supervisors.

The position became vacant in October 2012, when former Chief Dave Rohrer was promoted to deputy county executive for public safety. Roessler has served as acting police chief since March 23, and his new job culminates a law-enforcement career spanning 24 years.

"It's a noble profession, I enjoy it and I look forward to being able to serve the men and women of the Police Department and the community," he said. "And what's really exciting is that I'm a member of the community, and it's an honor to serve my neighbors."

Originally from Brooklyn, N.Y., Roessler, 49, comes from a family of New York City firefighters. But a few uncles were police officers and, in high school, he decided to study criminal justice and go into law enforcement.

Then, after a stint with the New York City Department of Investigation, he and his wife moved to Virginia for a better lifestyle.



PHOTO BY BONNIE HOBBS/CENTRE VIEW

**Enjoying National Night Out in Sully Station II in August 2011 are (front row, from left) Jesse and Rose Plowchin, Lt. John Trace and Capt. Purvis Dawson of the Sully District Station, Kim Hines, Laura Elder and then Deputy Chief of Patrol E.C. Roessler; and (back row, from left) Paul Fraraccio and Eugene Larty of West Centreville Fire Station 38.**

While in college, Roessler did an internship at American University and got a taste of Fairfax County. And earlier, two cousins had moved here — one joining the Police Department and, the other, the Fire Department.

So he came to the county, too, and became a patrol officer. "Route 28 was one lane each way then, and there were three

farms here when we first moved to Centreville, over 24 years ago," said Roessler.

He and his wife, a small-business owner, have lived in Virginia Run a year. They have three children; their oldest daughter is in college, their youngest daughter is a rising senior at Westfield High and their son is starting middle school at Stone.

Over the years, Roessler's held several high-level, management positions. But as far as he's concerned, the highlight of his career was being a patrol officer.

"It's the satisfaction of helping someone in crisis or just lending them a hand when they need it," he said. "Sometimes, you're doing something that changes their life. Patrol officers are given the latitude, discretion and trust to help the community, and that's what drew me to the job."

But throughout every assignment, said Roessler, "It's a police family; the people I work with, we're a team. And in every county agency, I've had great mentors that allowed me to grow. It's a leadership style of always being willing to help each other out."

"You entrust your life to others so you can get home at the end of the day," he continued. "It's also about the working relationships you form. And what a terrific community this is — the support we get is a thrill." He said the residents and the county leadership are the Police Department's partners in making Fairfax County a safe place to live, work and play.

Roessler chose the supervision-and-command career path, within the department, and competed for each advancement, including deputy chief. However, he became acting chief based on his seniority. He then applied for the top job, and the supervisors and county executive conducted a national search over some six months.

Tuesday morning at 9:30 a.m., Roessler officially became chief, and he couldn't have

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## Guarding Against Identity Theft and Fraud

**Police advise residents how to protect themselves.**

BY BONNIE HOBBS  
CENTRE VIEW

**W**ith identity theft and fraud being such a major concern these days, police Investigator Tom Polhemus and Det. Mike Deane recently presented some ways local residents can protect themselves from becoming victims.

They're both with the Sully District Station's Financial Crimes Section and spoke during a meeting of the station's Citizens Advisory Committee. Basically, said

Polhemus, "If you know how people are being ripped off, you'll know how to protect yourself."

He told residents to watch their bank accounts online and carefully examine their statements each month. If something's amiss, he said, "After 60 days, you own it."

The mail also holds hidden dangers, said Polhemus. "When you get a pre-approved credit application in the mail, thieves will take it from your mailbox, get the credit card and run up the bill in your name," he warned.

But, he said, "There's an opt-out

number on the application, and you can call it from your home phone. Just follow the prompts and that'll tell the three credit bureaus — Experian, Trans Union and Equifax — that you don't want

this mail anymore."

Polhemus said consumers should go to [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com), or call this entity, to check on their credit report for any possible discrepancies or charges that

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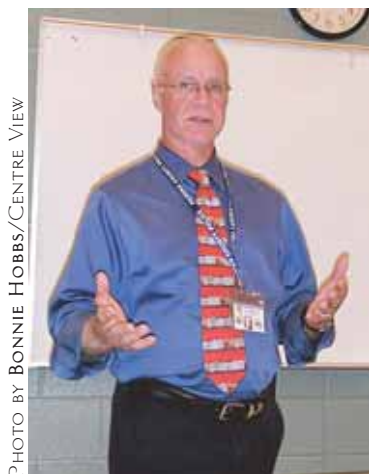
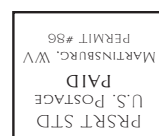


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**Police Investigator Tom Polhemus discusses the perils of identity fraud.**





## ROUNDUPS

### Motorcyclist Dies In Clifton Crash

Thomas V. Bowers, 25, of Burke, died Tuesday, July 2, from injuries he sustained in a June 16 crash. The accident occurred at Clifton Road and Maple Branch Road.

Fairfax County police officers were called to the scene that day around 2 p.m. A subsequent investigation determined that Bowers was driving his 2002 Suzuki motorcycle south on Clifton Road, just before Maple Branch Road. Meanwhile, a 28-year-old woman was driving a 2008 Scion north on Clifton Road.

According to police, the Scion turned left onto Maple Branch and into the motorcycle's path, and the motorcycle crashed into the vehicle. Police charged the Scion's driver, Randi Christine Thompson, of Avalon Court in Alexandria, with failing to yield the right of way.

### Clement Case Goes To Grand Jury

The case against a local man charged with sexually molesting a child is heading to the grand jury. He is former Bull Run Elementary Principal Thom Clement, 62, of Little Rocky Run.

On May 23, Virginia State Police charged him with two counts of felony aggravated sexual battery of a minor. Police say a boy told them that Clement reportedly sexually

assaulted him in October 2009 while they were on an overnight camping trip at Burke Lake Park. The boy was 9 at the time of the alleged incident, and Clement led a Scout group at his church.

Wearing a dark sport coat and khaki slacks, Clement appeared last Thursday, July 25, in Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court before Judge Kimberly Daniel. He was scheduled to have a preliminary hearing on that date but, instead, waived his right to the proceeding. Daniel then certified his case to the next grand jury for possible indictment.

### Free Carseat Inspections

Certified technicians from the Sully District Police Station will perform free, child safety carseat inspections Thursday, Aug. 1, 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.

### Crime Solvers 5K Fundraiser

In partnership with Capital Area Runners, Fairfax County Crime Solvers is hosting its first 5K run fundraiser and needs the community's support. Residents are encouraged to sign up now to participate in this family-friendly event; everyone is welcome.

It's slated for Sunday, Aug. 4, at 8 a.m., on Grand Commons Avenue at the Fairfax Corner Shopping Center, off Monument Drive in Fair Oaks. Register at [www.capitalarearunners.com/crimesolvers5k](http://www.capitalarearunners.com/crimesolvers5k).

### CLRC Open House Set for Aug. 2-3

The Centreville Labor Resource Center is holding an open house, this Friday-Saturday, Aug. 2-3, from 6 a.m.-12:30 p.m. It's at 5956 Centreville Crest Lane, beside Brick's Pizza, on the lower level of the Centreville Square Shopping Center.

The community is invited to visit and see the center's operation, including the employment process and regular, morning ESL classes. Refreshments will be offered and visitors can see the center's new, raised-bed gardening project.

For more information, plus photos, go to [www.centrevilleimmigrationforum.org](http://www.centrevilleimmigrationforum.org) or [www.centrevillelrc.org](http://www.centrevillelrc.org).

### Help Plan Centreville Day

The public is invited to join the fun and help plan the annual Centreville Day celebration. The event is slated for Oct. 19 in Centreville's Historic District and includes music, food, crafts vendors, children's games and activities for all ages. The Centreville Day Planning Committee will meet Monday, Aug. 5, at 7:30 p.m., at the Sully District Governmental Center, 4900 Stonecroft Blvd., in Chantilly, and all community members are welcome to attend and participate.

### National Night Out: Aug. 6

This year's National Night Out — celebrating partnerships between the community and public-safety personnel — marks the event's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Locally, it'll be held Tuesday, Aug. 6, from 6-8:30 p.m., at the Sully Station II Community Center, 5501 Sully Park Drive, in Centreville. The fun will include burritos, chips and salsa from Chipotle's, an ice-cream social, Sno Cones, cotton candy, and wine and beer for those 21 and over. Participating will be Fairfax County police, firefighters from the West Centreville Station 38, representatives from Target, plus residents of Sully Station II. For more information, call 703-815-2006.

## Balmoral Elegance

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from 12 to 3

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# Local Youth Re-enact Historic Pioneer Trek

**M**ore than 200 teenagers and adult advisors from the Centreville Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints — which includes Centreville, Manassas, Gainesville, Warrenton and surrounding areas — re-enacted the trek of 19th-century Mormon pioneers during a three-day youth conference, July 18-20, at the Marriott Ranch in Hume, Va.

Fifteen handcarts made up a train under the direction of “trail boss” Jerry Cooper. The youth, organized into “families” each with a “Ma” and “Pa,” assembled and pulled the handcarts over 12 miles. All supplies were carried on the carts and meals were prepared in the manner of the pioneers.

Activities during the trek included pioneer-era games, skills and crafts, plus evening devotionals, a hoedown, and opportunities for the youth to contemplate their relationship with and commitment to God.

Beginning in 1847 and continuing for more than two decades, approximately 70,000 Latter-day Saints — including 10 handcart companies — crossed the prairies to the Rocky Mountains, establishing settlements throughout the American west. The first company of pioneers reached the Salt Lake Valley, in what is now Utah, on July 24, 1847.

Between 1856-1860, about 3,000 pioneers made the journey by handcart. Bringing limited provisions and belongings, they pulled the carts 1,300 miles across the plains from Iowa City to Salt Lake City.



**The trek participants were grouped into “family” units, with each assigned a “Ma” and “Pa.” Each person helped pull or push their family’s handcart. From left are Troy Beatty, Scout Burge, Morgan Wightman, Kellie Seely, Emmett McKinstry, Britton Bangerter, James Robison and Jacob Budd.**

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**Doug and Becky Carpenter, a Centreville “Ma” and “Pa.”**



**The youth pulled their handcarts without adult help, while the “Ma” and “Pa” for each “family” supervised.**



**Centreville’s Emily Gore spends some time reading the Scriptures during a break.**



**Square dancing brought welcome entertainment after a long day, just as in the original camps. Pictured are Samantha Brisco and Seth Garfield.**



**The participants set up their own shelters, built fires and cooked their own food.**



# OPINION

## Enjoy Tax Holiday, Donate School Supplies

Good timing to help those in need.

It is debatable whether recurring tax holidays for different seasonal needs are good policy. But since this weekend is Virginia's tax holiday on school supplies and clothing, it makes sense to take advantage of the savings, and to spread the wealth around. The savings are more significant this year with the new sales tax increases in effect as of July 1.

This year the tax holiday is Aug. 2-4.

During this three-day period, school supplies selling for \$20 or less per item, and clothing and footwear selling for \$100 or less per item will be exempt from Virginia sales tax. There

are some items that do not qualify, for example digital school supplies.

See <http://www.tax.virginia.gov/> for more details.

When you are buying school supplies for your family, buy extra to donate to local families who are not able to afford to do the same. In Fairfax County, more than 40,000 students are poor enough to qualify for free or reduced price meals at school.

In Fairfax County, local nonprofits, Fairfax County Public Schools and corporate partners are collecting school supplies and backpacks.

Monetary donations and backpacks are being accepted by eight local nonprofits and through local Apple and Northwest Federal Credit Union Branches, as well as online at <http://collectforkids.org/donate/> through

Aug. 23. Last year the drive provided supplies for nearly 20,000 students. A \$10 cash donation goes a long way.

Nonprofits partnering in this collection effort include Koinonia, New Hope Church, Northern Virginia Family Service, Our Daily Bread, Reston Interfaith, United Community Ministries, Western Fairfax Christian Ministries.

For more, Collect for Kids website at <http://collectforkids.org>.

FACETS is also collecting contributions of money, school supplies and backpacks. Last year, FACETS gave backpacks filled with supplies to more than 300 needy students. Contact Liz Griffith, Development Coordinator at 703-352-3268 or [lgriffith@facetscares.org](mailto:lgriffith@facetscares.org). See <http://facetscares.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/07/SchoolSupplyFlyerFY14.pdf>

### EDITORIAL

## Protect Children, Animals in Hot Summer Weather

In light of recent incidents around the region, Fairfax County is reminding people of dangers involving children and hot cars. The combination of summer heat and humidity can mean life-threatening conditions for children left in vehicles or other unsuitable environments, even for short time periods. Here's advice from the Kids and Cars organization:

- ❖ Never leave children alone in a vehicle — not even for a minute. Body temperatures in children rise three to five times faster than in adults. On a warm day, temperatures can rapidly rise to dangerous levels. Anyone seeing a child in distress in a parked car should contact police immediately.

- ❖ Parents should make arrangements in advance with their child's daycare or babysitter to always call if the child isn't there as scheduled.

- ❖ Recognize the symptoms of heatstroke. If a child shows signs such as heavy breathing, glazed eyes, rapid heartbeat, vomiting, fever,

dizziness, restlessness or excessive thirst, contact a physician immediately or call 9-1-1. Take steps to reduce the child's body temperature immediately.

For more information, see [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/emergency/blog](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/emergency/blog).

### WATCH PETS IN THE HEAT

Fairfax County Animal Control Officers have responded to dozens of reports of animals in hot cars in recent weeks — one dog even died due to apparent heat hyperthermia — and urge people to keep their pets at home on hot days. With continuing heat and humidity through the summer, pet owners are urged to take precautions with their animals to avoid life-threatening conditions for animals left in vehicle.

- ❖ Never leave pets in a parked car. On a warm day, temperatures can rapidly rise to dangerous levels. Anyone seeing an animal in distress in a parked car should contact police.

- ❖ Shade and water are vital to pets. Pet own-

ers must provide adequate shelter protecting animals from injury, rain, sleet, snow, hail, direct sunlight, and adverse effects of heat or cold.

A doghouse in the backyard with no access to shade doesn't protect animals from sun.

- ❖ Limit exercise on hot days. Take care to adjust intensity and duration of exercise. Watch for shortness of breath and remember that asphalt gets very hot and can burn paws; walk dogs on the grass, if possible.

- ❖ Recognize the symptoms of heat-related illnesses. If a pet shows heavy panting, glazed eyes, rapid heartbeat, vomiting, fever, dizziness, restlessness, excessive thirst and profuse salivation, contact a veterinarian immediately. Take steps to reduce the animal's body temperature.

Apply ice packs or cold towels to the head, neck and chest, provide water and ice cubes for hydration, and move the animal into the shade or air conditioning.

### BULLETIN BOARD

Email announcements to [centreview@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:centreview@connectionnewspapers.com). Deadline is Thursday at noon. Photos welcome.

#### FRIDAY-SATURDAY/AUG. 2-3

**Open House.** 6 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Labor Resource Center, 5956 Centreville Crest Lane. See the raised garden-box project and speak with staff and interns about CLRC's events and projects. Refreshments available in the mornings. Visit [www.centrevillelrc.org](http://www.centrevillelrc.org).

#### SUNDAY/AUG. 4

**Crime Solvers 5K Fundraiser.** 8 a.m. at Fairfax Corner Shopping Center, Grand Commons Avenue, Fairfax. Register at [www.capitalarearunners.com/crimesolvers5k](http://www.capitalarearunners.com/crimesolvers5k). Learn more about Crime Solvers at [www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org](http://www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org).

#### FRIDAY/AUG. 9

Shabbat Service. 7:30 p.m. at Temple Beth Torah, 4212 C-Technology Court, Chantilly. The service will be held in the new building. All community members are welcome. Call 703-217-8938 or visit [www.BethTorah.net](http://www.BethTorah.net).

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**Northern Virginia Family Service** is seeking volunteers to organize collection drives of toiletries products for clients in need. Requested items include such things as shampoo, soap, lotion, deodorant, hand sanitizer, toothbrushes and toothpaste. Learn more about Northern Virginia Family Service at [www.nvfs.org](http://www.nvfs.org) and contact Colleen Ross [cross@nvfs.org](mailto:cross@nvfs.org) if interested.

The **Stuart-Mosby Civil War Cavalry Museum** needs volunteers to work on Sundays at 13938 Braddock Road, Centreville. The museum is open from 1-4 p.m. on Sundays, when volunteer help is needed the most. Civil War buffs who want something worthwhile to do on Sundays are perfect candidates. Generally at least two volunteers are on duty for each day of coverage at the museum.

The museum is also open on Saturdays from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and Mondays from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Call 703-785-5294 or visit [www.stuart-mosby.com](http://www.stuart-mosby.com).

**Respite Care Volunteers.** Give a family caregiver of a frail, older adult a break so they can go shopping, attend a doctor's appointment or have coffee with a friend. Volunteers

visit and oversee the safety of the older adult for a few hours each month. Volunteers are matched with families in or near their own neighborhoods in Fairfax County. Support and training is provided. Contact Kristin Martin at 703-324-7577, TTY 711, or [Kristin.Martin@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:Kristin.Martin@fairfaxcounty.gov). Visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/olderadultservices/volunteer-solutions.htm>.

**Advocates.** The Northern Virginia Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program needs volunteer advocates for residents in assisted living and nursing facilities throughout the area. Training is provided. Call 703-324-5861, TTY 711 or email [Lisa.Callahan@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:Lisa.Callahan@fairfaxcounty.gov). Visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/olderadultservices/ltcombudsman/vol\\_ombud\\_program.htm](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/olderadultservices/ltcombudsman/vol_ombud_program.htm).

#### ONGOING

**Temple Beth Torah** offers the Northern Virginia Jewish community services that provide spiritual, educational, support and social opportunities including religious school for member children age 3 through Bar/Bat Mitzvah and confirmation. Our congregation

welcomes all members of the community to attend any of our services or events. For more information, a newsletter, or a membership package call Jennifer Harding 703-217-8938 or visit [www.BethTorah.net](http://www.BethTorah.net).

**Clifton Day 2013.** Vendor applications are online at [www.cliftonday.com](http://www.cliftonday.com). Barbara Hutto is the chairperson. E-mail [cliftonday2013@verizon.net](mailto:cliftonday2013@verizon.net) to volunteer. Clifton Day 2013 is Oct. 13.

**Senior Fall Prevention Classes.** Mondays (2 p.m.), Tuesdays and Thursdays (1:30 p.m.), Fridays (11 a.m.) in a heated indoor pool and are designed to work on balance and core muscles in order to prevent injuries and falls. At The Woodlands Retirement Community, 4320 Forest Hill Drive. Registrations required. Call 703-667-9800 to register. Free trial first class then register on site. \$10 per class.

**Centreville Garden Club Meeting.** 7 p.m. every third Monday at Sully Government Center, 4900 Stonecroft Blvd., Chantilly. Learn more at [centrevillegardenclub.blogspot.com](http://centrevillegardenclub.blogspot.com) or e-mail: [centrevillegardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:centrevillegardenclub@gmail.com). Visitors welcome. Phone 703-830-2942.

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## NEWS

# How To Make a Difference

**WFCM needs people to participate in Homeless Walks.**

BY BONNIE HOBBS  
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On the surface, it seems as if the residents of Fairfax County are pretty well-off. But the real truth is that more than 1,500 of them are homeless — and they need help from those able to give it.

And that's not all. Besides the homeless, more than 56,000 people here are living beneath the poverty level. They struggle daily just to make ends meet so they won't lose their homes and will be able to feed their families. And that's where Western Fairfax Christian Ministries (WFCM) comes in.

"Our goal is to serve our neighbors in need with food, clothes and financial assistance," said WFCM Community Outreach Manager Jennie Bush. "So we're inviting area residents to join us to raise awareness and provide support to prevent and end homelessness and hunger in our community. We hope they'll help us reach our goal of 4,000 participants by walking with us or hosting their own events."

WFCM is a beneficiary of Fannie Mae's Annual Help the Homeless Program which raises awareness and

funds for organizations working to prevent and end homelessness. But WFCM depends on churches, schools and businesses to partner with it to meet its financial needs through the Help the Homeless program. Bush said 100 percent of all the Help the Homeless program registration fees go to WFCM "to help us run our client-assistance programs."

"WFCM is committed to meeting the basic needs of our clients so they can stay in their homes and maintain their self-sufficiency," she continued. "In 2012, WFCM served 3,272 people with food, clothing, rent and utility assistance."

Here's how to help:

- ❖ People may host a fundraising event with participants from their school, business or church. Examples include a neighborhood mini-walk, book-club meeting, team practice or game, dog walk, swim-a-thon, exercise class, etc.

- ❖ Visit [www.hthwalks.org](http://www.hthwalks.org) and click on "Organize a Community Walk." Designate Western Fairfax Christian Ministries as the beneficiary.

- ❖ The walks or community events may be held any time from now until Nov. 3. (Events must be registered by Oct. 18). The registration fee is \$20 for youth, age 25 and under; and \$30, adults. All registrations must be done online at [www.hthwalks.org](http://www.hthwalks.org).

- ❖ For more information or to schedule a "Help the Homeless Event," contact Bush at [jbush@wfcma.org](mailto:jbush@wfcma.org).



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# Roessler Named Police Chief

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been happier. "Being the chief, I feel like a cop on the street again. Being able to serve others, I feel content. This is a calling, and I'm just proud to be part of a great organization and county. The support from the community — and having terrific staff and volunteers — makes it fun."

As a longtime member of the department's senior management team, Roessler said "several great leaders have allowed us to develop innovative ideas to make us a Cadillac, cutting-edge, law-enforcement agency. It's high-performance and fine-tuned."

His vision now is for the police to "continue ethical leadership with an engaged community so we can continue to build upon our ability to fight crime, enhance our culture of safety and keep pace with urbanization." He said the culture of safety includes developing safety protocols regarding how the police interact with the community.

As for urbanization, Roessler tied it to the 11 new police positions the supervisors approved as of July. Two will be Animal Con-

trol officers and nine will be the foundation of a new police station in Tysons Corner. Others will be needed in connection with county growth related to projects such as the Silver Line, rail to Dulles, the Springfield Mall redevelopment and the revitalization of Route 1, South County and the Reston Town Center.

"So it'll take a new style of policing," he said. "For example, officers will go up a 30-story building or navigate a city-style environment in pairs." And when large crowds flock to places such as Fairfax Corner on the weekends, said Roessler, "We need to

pay attention to make sure we have adequate staffing to meet future needs. All this will happen over decades, but we need to start planning now."

"We'll make five-year strategic plans, including staffing, budgets and program objectives, and tweak them," he said. In the current economy, said Roessler, "We're looking at where we can alter our business model, without sacrificing safety, to economize where we can. But as the economy improves, we'll be able to do more."

Looking back on his career, what he's proudest of is being a patrol officer. "And it's important for me to remember that," he added. "They're what the community sees every day; they're the first responders to 911

calls. They're the face of the Fairfax County Police Department and they're what makes our reputation."

Now leading 1,360 sworn officers, 352 non-sworn officers, plus a core of volunteers, Roessler takes his new position seriously. He said the toughest part of his job will be meeting the challenge of looking out for the employees' safety and welfare, including their pay and benefits, within budget constraints.

What will give him the greatest satisfaction, he said, is "being able to serve my fellow employees, volunteers and the community as a leader. I love Fairfax County. The motto is 'A great place to live, work, play and grow old,' and I'm living all that."



**Lt. Col. Edwin C. Roessler Jr.**

## Roessler's Resume with Fairfax County Police Department

Before Lt. Col. Edwin Roessler became acting and then full-fledged chief of police for Fairfax County, he served in every rank as he's moved up the ladder. Since 2010, he was deputy chief of patrol managing Animal Services, plus crime-fighting efforts across eight district stations.

Roessler also organized police emergency responses to a variety of natural disasters and tactical operational events. He deployed personnel to President Barack Obama's inauguration in January and managed patrol assets committed to solving several, multijurisdictional

crimes. And he directed the Police Department's strategic-planning initiatives.

He received his undergraduate degree from Arizona State University and his graduate degree from George Washington University. He also graduated from a variety of professional-development-and-leadership programs.

As a senior commander, Roessler headed the Internal Affairs Bureau and the Criminal Justice Academy. He managed the department's budget and human resources and led a Patrol Bureau division overseeing the Crime Analysis Unit and the construction of the Sully District Station.

He also spearheaded efforts creating the Incident Support Services program serving department members and their families. And he both supervised and commanded the Civil Disturbance Unit. In addition, Roessler volunteered for assignments that would help increase and improve police services to the community.

He's currently a senior advisor to the International Association of Chiefs of Police for its international, police-education-and-training program. As Fairfax County's chief of police, his annual salary will be \$188,410.

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**"The Producers"** by Westfield Summer Stage. Westfield High, 4700 Stonecroft Blvd., Chantilly. Friday-Saturday, July 26-27, at 7:30 p.m. The Mel Brooks musical-comedy satire tells the outrageous tale of Max Bialystock and Leo Bloom, who team up to make millions. Seats are reserved; tickets are \$12 at [www.westfieldtheatreboosters.com](http://www.westfieldtheatreboosters.com) and \$15 at the door.

**"Extravacatza"** at the Fairfax County Animal Shelter, 4500 West Ox Road. In the month of July, the Fairfax County Animal Shelter will offer half-off adoption fees on cats and kittens, free spay and neuter of cats and kittens and gift bags for all adopters of senior cats. For current cat owners, experts and classes will be available throughout the month. The shelter is open Tuesday-Friday, noon-7 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/calendar/ShowCalendar.aspx](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/calendar/ShowCalendar.aspx).

**Super Science Saturdays.** 10 a.m.-3 p.m. the second Saturday of each month at the Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center, 14390 Air & Space Museum Parkway. Visit <http://airandspace.si.edu/udvarhazy>.

### THURSDAY/AUG. 1

**Charity Golf Tournament.** 8:30 a.m. at Twin Lakes Golf Course, 6201 Union Mill Road. Hooters and the Autism Society of Northern Virginia host their fifth annual golf tournament. Call 703-495-8444 or visit [asnv.org](http://asnv.org).

**Children's Science Center.** 10:30 a.m. at Chantilly Regional Library, 4000 Stringfellow

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**Jazz Performance.** 2 p.m. at Dulles International Airport, 1 Saarinen Circle. The Wayne Wilentz Trio will be performing their style mainstream/brazilian style of Jazz. Visit [www.metwashairpots.com/dulles](http://www.metwashairpots.com/dulles).

**Teen Book Club.** 7 p.m. at Chantilly Regional Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. For teens in grades 7-9. Call for title. Free. 703-502-3883.

**Concert.** 7 p.m. Tauk will perform at The Bungalow, 3891 Metrotech Drive, Chantilly. [www.bungalow4u.com](http://www.bungalow4u.com).

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# Virginia Run Riptide Earns final Victory

The pool at Virginia Run was a busy place during the weekend of July 20-21 as the Riptide hosted its final "A" meet of the season against the Fair Oaks Sharks on Saturday and the Regional IM Carnival on Sunday. Despite Friday night's pep rally attempt to "cool the pool" with hundreds of ice cubes, the swimmers said the hot pool water felt like Jell-O Saturday morning. One would have never known the conditions were less than ideal, as the Riptide athletes knifed through that gelatinous water to secure a season-ending victory, 224-196.

The freestyle races were close and first-place points were hard to come by for the Riptide as they won four of 10 races with Chelsea Nguyen (9-10), Skyla Davidson (13-14), Chloe Hicks (swimming up in 15-18) and Joey Castro (15-18). Even with the ably supporting cast of second-place wins by Caitlin Kelliher (8 & under), Katie Conway (9-10), Nick McGrath (13-14), and Alexa McAnally (13-14), and third-place points from Charlie Gunn (11-12), Aaron Vu (13-14), and Patrick Kearney (15-

18), the Riptide found themselves trailing the Sharks by 14 points, 52-38, at the end of the freestyle competition. The backstrokers began their program intent on tightening the meet. Five swimmers achieved first place in back: Andrew Boyle (9-10), Anthony Arcomona (11-12), Geoffrey Eisenhart (13-14), Didi Pace (13-14) and Matt Glowacki (15-18). Catie Gunn (9-10), Olivia Masterson (11-12), Joey Castro (15-18) and Sierra Higinbotham (15-18) secured seconds, and Sam Metcalf (8 & under), Isabelle Cogan (8 & under), Hilde Younce (9-10), Harry Schlatter (11-12), Hannah Brazier (11-12), McGrath (13-14), Alison Meredith (13-14) and Maggie Blondin (15-18) took thirds, making all those points matter as the Riptide and Sharks posted a 45-45 tie in backstroke.

As the breaststroke events commenced, the pressure ramped up and the Riptide swimmers stepped up. Jack Liskey (9-10), Joe Cheifitz (11-12), Olivia Masterson (11-12), Leo Wang (13-14), Davidson (13-14), and Patrick Kearney (15-18) won their races. Julia Vu (8 & under), Gabriella Borsato (9-10),

Emma Guidash (13-14), Brian Pisarcik (15-18) and Sierra Higinbotham (15-18) scored second places. And adding those all-important third-place points were Sam Metcalf (8 & under), Meghan Gary (9-10), Ryan Tennille (11-12), Sammi Castro (11-12), Geoffrey Eisenhart (13-14), and Nick Benedetto (15-18). So by the last race of breaststroke the Tide had turned as Virginia Run won the breaststroke 51 to 39.

As the swimmers began the butterfly events, the meet score was Sharks 136, Riptide 134. While there may have been plenty of butterflies in the stomachs of the families and coaches, there were few nerves among the Riptide fliers as they won seven of 10 races. Conway (9-10), Anthony Arcomona (11-12), Sarah Boyle (11-12), Leo Wang (13-14), Didi Pace (13-14), Matt Glowacki (15-18), and Hicks (15-18) took firsts. Five swimmers achieved second place: Connor Gary (8 & under), Kelliher (8 & under), Maggie Whiton (9-10), McAnally (13-14), and Jessica Sheftel (15-18) and five swimmers scored thirds: Victoria Davila (8 & under), Jack



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**Riptide graduating seniors: Sam Jugus, Matt Glowacki, and Brian Pisarcik. Not shown is Brian Deely.**

Metcalf (11-12), Jackie Hart (11-12), Thomas Beamon (13-14) and Andrew Meredith (15-18). With a hard-earned lead of 188-172, the Riptide looked to the relays to cement their victory.

Prior to those relay races, the Riptide honored their graduating high school senior swimmers: Brian Deely, Matt Glowacki, Sam Jugus, and Brian Pisarcik. These four young men are scholar athletes, having graduated with honors from Westfield High School while lettering in swimming and achieving multiple distinctions in the arts and sciences. Each young man received a \$500 from the Wrinkle Scholarship fund for their contribution to the Riptide team and their community. Brian Deely was unable to be present for the ceremony as he is already serving our country as a first-year plebe at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. Matt Glowacki is preparing for a move to Blacksburg where he will attend Virginia Tech and major in biochemistry. Sam Jugus will attend George Mason University after being admitted to the Honors Engineering program and will major in applied computer science. Brian Pisarcik will attend Christopher Newport University where he will pursue a major in biological sciences and business.

After the presentations of gifts to the graduating students and their families, the Riptide swimmers readied for the relays knowing that five victories would guarantee a meet victory. The Fair Oaks Sharks won the first three relays, pulling within one point of the Riptide. When the 9-10 girls' relay of Nguyen, Gabriella Borsato, Maddie Whiton, and Conway swam their best race of the season to win, they opened the floodgates for the next five relay squads. Quick races were won by the 11-12 boys' team of Ryan Tennille,

Joel Cheifitz, Anthony Arcomona, and Charlie Gunn and the 11-12 girls' team of Brazier, Olivia Masterson, Sarah Boyle, and Jackie Hart. The undefeated 13-14 boys' team of Geoffrey Eisenhart, Leo Wang, Thomas Beamon, and McGrath continued their winning ways and the 13-14 girls, Chloe Hicks, Davidson, Didi Pace, and McAnally were within .48 second of setting an NVSL record with their win. Coach Scott Darwin substituted a new 15-18 boys' medley team after the Riptide win was secured and the trio of graduating seniors, Sam Jugus, Matt Glowacki, and Brian Pisarcik, supported in butterfly by rising senior Andrew Meredith, swam a magnificent final race to win their relay. The girls' mixed age relay of Sarah Boyle, Nguyen, Hicks and Sierra Higinbotham topped off the day with a win in their event.

In less than 24 hours the Riptide were back in their pool for the individual medley carnival. Required to swim each stroke in succession, 36 Virginia Run swimmers posted personal bests in the very demanding event. For the 10 & unders, Andrew Boyle at age 9 posted a team best of 1:46.49, Jack Liskey, age 10, a 1:56.27, and Alana Turflinger age 9 swam a 1:44.96, while Nguyen, age 10, swam a 1:45.87. For the 11-12s, Anthony Arcomona, 11, swam an impressive 1:19.09 and Charlie Gunn, 12 a 1:30.24, while Sarah Boyle, 12, swam a 1:22.08 and Beca Mathews, 11, a 1:43.26. For the 13-14s, Geoffrey Eisenhart, 13, posted a sizzling 1:12.95, McGrath, 14, a 1:18.31, Didi Pace, 13, a personal best of 1:18.76 and McAnally, 14, a 1:23.05. Joey Castro was the fastest 16 year old with a blistering 1:08.55, Patrick Kearney at only 15 swam a 1:12.49, and Andrew Meredith, 17, registered a 1:15.15.



## Harper Awarded Scholarship

Burgess Harper of the Foxfield Flyers was presented with one of the nine Herndon Swim League scholarships for 2013. Burgess has been a member of the Herndon swim League for 13 seasons, first with the Meadows and then with Foxfield. He has been a junior coach for the last five years and enjoys working with the younger swimmers. Burgess will be attending Northern Virginia Community College this year.

## Liedtke Levy Receives Commissioner's Award

Sara Liedtke Levy was presented with the Herndon Swim League Commissioner's Award at the 21st Annual all-League Meets on July 20. Sara has been associated with the league since it was founded 31 years ago. She watched the meets for the



first two years, and at the age of three, she swam in the last two meets of the season. She swam for 16 years, until she was 18, coached for several years, volunteered and completed a college internship as the assistant meet director for the All-League Meets. In 2006, she took on the job of meet director when the commissioner, Bill Liedtke, was hospitalized. In 2011, Sara proposed that the league begin an on-line auction in order to fund additional scholarships for graduating seniors. At that time, six \$500 scholarships were awarded each year. She became the chair of the auction, and through her efforts over \$6,000 has been raised to fund additional scholarships.



# Guard Against Identity Theft

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shouldn't be there. "Do it once a year; it's free," he said.

"If you find there's a delinquent account with something you didn't sign up for, contact the creditor and fill out a police report and an affidavit of fraud," said Polhemus. "Have it removed from your credit report and stay on top of it. We see a lot of credit-card fraud and stolen credit cards. They're taken especially from women in crowded restaurants or at fitness centers and health clubs."

He said thieves also know that many people leave their wallets and purses in their cars, instead of in lockers, at their gym. So he told residents to keep their valuables with them, instead.

"Some thieves will even steal a person's keys from their gym locker and then use them to open their car and steal their credit cards," added Deane.

Senior citizens are also preyed upon, said Polhemus. "People will take a credit card from their purses while they're distracted," he said. But those wanting to commit credit-card fraud and identity theft target people of all ages.

For example, said Polhemus, "A temp at your dentist's office has access to your credit-card information and address. She can order a \$4,000 computer online, have it sent to your address and track its shipping online. Then she'll call UPS and tell them to hold it for pickup, instead. Or she'll change the shipping address to another state."

He said police also handle a great deal of cases involving counterfeit credit cards. "The most important thing to a criminal is the magnetic stripe on the back of your card," said Polhemus. "He can swipe it through a device to record it — and now he has your credit card. And there's no skill involved; it's really easy to do. At different times, various point-of-service computer terminals in stores and restaurants are compromised, as well."

Noting that crimes such as these are "now driven by organized crime, such as the Russian Mob and the Romanians," he said they'll "put a device on top of a particular ATM. So when you put in your credit card, it'll skim your magnetic stripe and have a camera photograph your pin number as you punch it into the pin pad."

Furthermore, said Deane, "Now they can harvest your credit-card information remotely. If they want it, they'll get it, so monitor your bank statements."

"And if you do and you contact your bank and no-



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**Police Det. Mike Deane advises residents, "Monitor your bank statements."**

tify them about any charges that aren't yours, you will get your money back," added Polhemus.

He also advised the audience about check fraud, saying that there's no difference between the way a real and a counterfeit check look. What's important, he said, are the routing and account numbers on the bottom of the check.

"When you pay your mortgage and put the envelope in the mailbox with the 'steal-me' flag up, a thief will take your check and counterfeit 10 checks," said Polhemus. "He'll then deposit these checks and get the cash back from your bank at several, different locations. So don't mail your checks from home; do it from work or at the post office."

Even seemingly innocuous situations may pose a threat, he said. "For instance, if you pay for Girl Scout cookies with a check and the child's brother gets a hold of it and gets the numbers, he can use them to make automatic, monthly purchases for porn, or whatever he wants," said Polhemus.

However, he added, "If your identity's been stolen, you can get an identity-theft passport from the attorney general's office to show the police, if necessary."

Polhemus also warned residents to never wire money to strangers online. "Your nephew isn't in trouble overseas," he said. "And the power company isn't going to call and threaten to turn off your power in an hour if you don't wire money immediately — 100 percent, it's a fraud."

Regarding fraud against the elderly, he said people age 70 and over need to obtain a credit freeze. "They'd pay \$10 to each of the three, credit bureaus to prevent anyone else from having access to their credit accounts. That way, no new credit would be issued."

It's necessary, said Polhemus, because some unscrupulous home health-care providers will, otherwise, come into elderly people's homes, take their credit cards and run them up. "It's sad; we see senior citizens get ripped off all the time," he said. "But family members can monitor their accounts online for them."

At the end of his presentation, a resident asked how police decide which financial crimes to investigate. "Our loose criteria for investigating a case are: Is a Fairfax County resident out money, and do we have a likelihood of prosecution?" answered Polhemus. "It also helps if there's a good video or surveillance photo of the thief."

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## News

# Beating Summer Heat

**T**he heat is on, and so are air conditioners. Northern Virginia Electric Cooperative says running an air conditioner can significantly increase electric bills during summer months. To “cool it” and still lower home electricity costs, NOVEC encourages customers to follow these energy-saving tips:

- ❖ Close window shades, drapes and blinds on the sunny sides of the home to block sun rays during the day. Attaching low-emissivity (Low-E) glaze to existing windows will help reflect heat.

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- ❖ Let the monthly NOVEC bill be a reminder to change the A/C filter; follow manufacturer’s instructions.

- ❖ Help conserve conditioned air by using kitchen and bathroom exhaust fans just long enough to remove heat and humidity. Run the dishwasher, clothes dryer, and oven during cooler evening and morning hours.

- ❖ Most new homes and older homes with new roofs have ridge vents designed to alleviate heat buildup in the attic and help cool living spaces below. For roofs without ridge vents, an attic fan will help expel heat.

For more energy-saving information, visit [www.novec.com/useitwisely12](http://www.novec.com/useitwisely12).

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## BUSINESS NOTES

Email [announcements@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:announcements@connectionnewspapers.com) to [centreview@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:centreview@connectionnewspapers.com). Photos welcome.

Pennoni Associates elected President and CEO **Tony Bartolomeo, PE**, as a Fellow of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

# “Chemo-Nosabe”



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Although I’ve not seen the current “The Lone Ranger” theatrical release, I am of a certain age and generation who grew up watching — on black & white television with NO remote control and only THREE watchable channels — the original “The Lone Ranger” (starring Clayton Moore and Jay Silverheels), along with other weekday-afternoon and Saturday-morning classics like “The Rifleman,” “Roy Rogers,” “Sky King,” “Superman,” “Leave It To Beaver” and “Ozzie and Harriet” — in my house, anyway. And though the “effects” weren’t nearly as “special” as they are in today’s movie/television productions/versions, nevertheless, the effects on me, personally, were far greater. Can you say wholesome goodness? The Golden Rule? Do unto others...

What little I know about life and death and sickness, I wasn’t learning from these programs. And since I was raised in an extremely healthy household with an extended family that didn’t seem to be too sick, too often, my upbringing had zero exposure to cancer — other than asking a girl for her astrological sign. Even into my adulthood, I had very little experience with this dreaded disease, and when I got married and connected with an entirely new and different set of people/backgrounds, cancer was amazingly still not impacting our lives. Obviously, we were all very lucky.

Well, I certainly know about it now: stage IV, non-small cell lung cancer (the terminal kind) diagnosed at age 54 and a half. Thank God my parents weren’t alive when I was diagnosed; I imagine the news would have taken years off their lives. As it was, they lived full lives and died at 87 and 86; my widowed mother having died nearly three months before my diagnosis was confirmed. Certainly my parents would have provided great comfort to me, but predeceasing me was probably for the best.

And what’s also been for the best, since my diagnosis, is what I’ve learned about my situation, a situation unlike any with which I’ve had experience. Previous to my diagnosis, my knowledge on the cancer subject would likely have fit on the head of a pin. Now, it’s a bit more, not too much, but more than enough, as you regular readers know. And mostly that knowledge has to do with chemotherapy and targeted treatment, the two primary treatment protocols for stage IV lung cancer patients (stage IV means the cancer has metastasized and is inoperable; there is no stage V).

The most distressing thing I’ve learned is that chemotherapy/targeted treatment is no friend of mine; more like a necessary evil with no guarantees of success. Though these treatments may be an enemy of the cancer/tumors, they are no silver bullet and no Clayton Moore-type life saver (maybe if my oncologist wore a mask and yelled “Hi-Yo Silver” every time he saw me, my progress would be different). Granted, I’ve survived way longer than I was originally “prognosed” to do so (“13 months to two years”), for which I’m extremely grateful and fortunate. However, only reruns last forever.

Perhaps the years I spent watching these programs instilled in me a certain positive hopefulness that somehow things would work out OK. So far they have. And even though these shows have mostly disappeared from the airwaves, I haven’t. See you next week. I’ll be write here.

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

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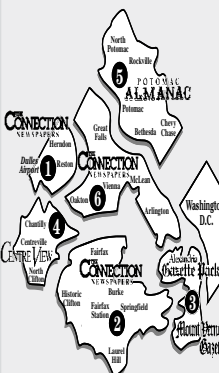
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## MONDAY/AUG. 5

**Bouncin' Babies.** 10:30 a.m. at Chantilly Regional Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. Babies up to 11 months can enjoy rhymes, songs,

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**Time for Tots.** 11 a.m. at Centreville Library, 14200 St. Germain Drive. Children ages 2-3 can enjoy stories and activities. Free. 703-830-2223.

**Small Wonders.** 11:30 a.m. at Chantilly Regional Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. Children ages 12-23 months can enjoy rhymes, songs and more. Free. Registration required. 703-502-3883.

**Kids Knit.** 4 p.m. at Chantilly Regional Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. Children in grades 3 and up can meet new friends, learn to knit or get help on a project. Beginners welcome. Free. Registration required, 703-502-3883.

**ESL Book Club.** 7 p.m. at Centreville

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## TUESDAY/AUG. 6

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**Bouncin' Babies.** 11:30 a.m. at Chantilly Regional Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. Babies up to 11 months can enjoy rhymes, songs, stories and more. Free. Registration required. 703-502-3883.

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## FRIDAY/AUG. 9

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**Starlight Cinema.** 6 p.m. at 5875 Trinity Parkway, Centreville. Movie begins at dark. "Ice Age: Continental Drift," with voices by Ray Romano, Karen Disher, Queen Latifah, John Leguizamo, Chris Wedge, Denis Leary, Wanda Sykes and Josh Peck, is rated PG; 94 minutes; 2012. Free; bring a blanket or chairs and a picnic.

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