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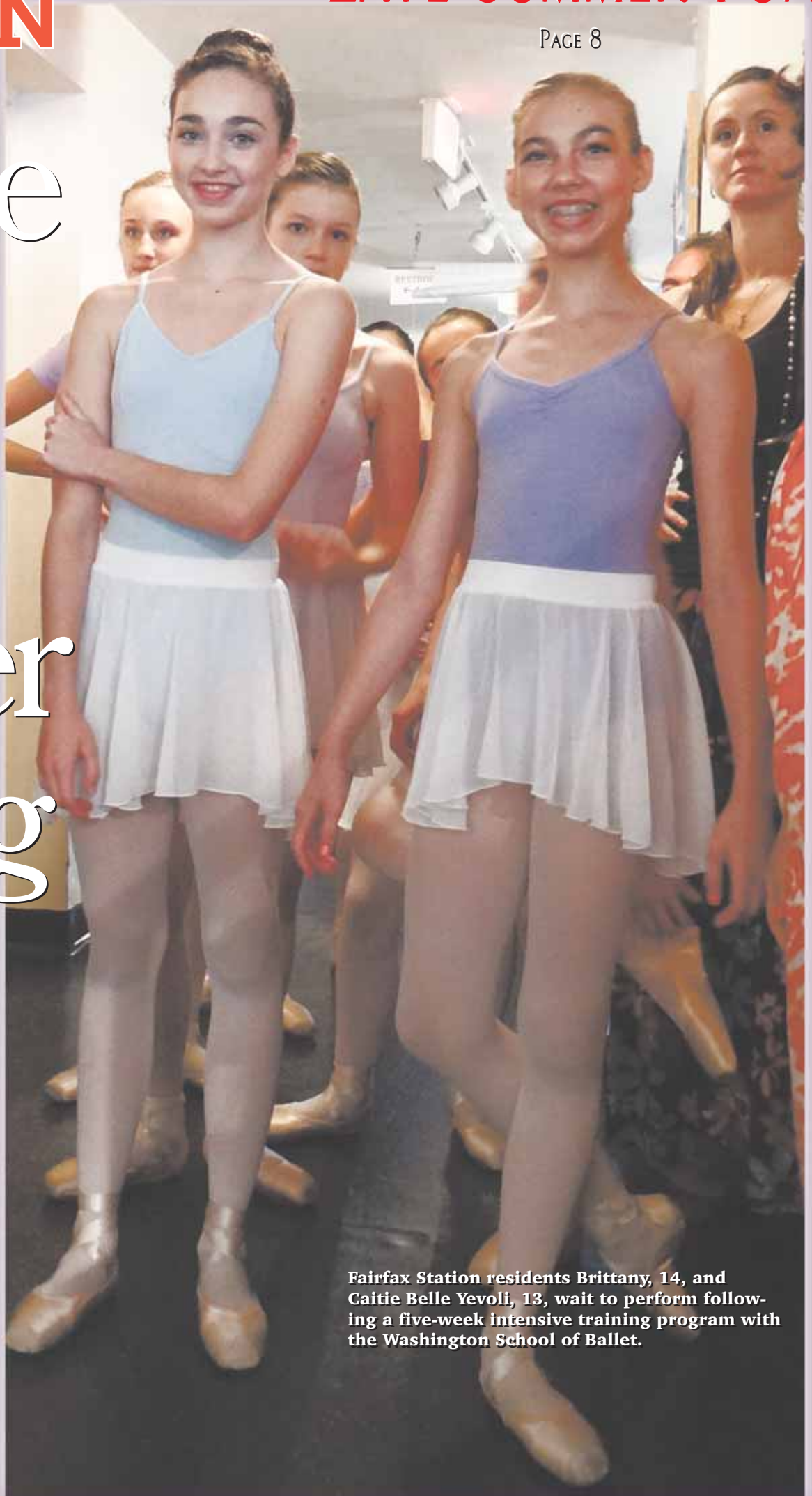
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Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova welcomed Virginia Governor Bob McDonnell during the event at the Fairfax County Government Center on Tuesday, July 30 to promote the governor's "Virginia Adopts: Campaign for 1,000" initiative.



From left—Supervisor John Cook (R-Braddock); Ryan Kelly, Office of Governor Bob McDonnell; Janet Kelly and Kelly's mother. Janet Kelly spoke about the couple's adoption experience during the event at the Fairfax County Government Center on Tuesday, July 30.

VA Adopts: Campaign for 1,000

Governor McDonnell promotes adoption, foster care during Fairfax County tour.

BY VICTORIA ROSS
THE CONNECTION

The atmosphere was festive as more than 100 people—including adoptive parents, children and state and local officials—gathered in the Fairfax County Government Center atrium Tuesday, July 30 to welcome Virginia Gov. Bob McDonnell (R) during the statewide tour to promote his "Virginia Adopts: Campaign for 1,000" initiative.

THE GOAL of the campaign is to match 1,000 children currently in foster care with adoptive families. The governor launched the statewide campaign on May 17 from the steps of the Governor's Mansion during Virginia's Foster Care Month.

"Whether you're Republican, Democrat, pro-choice, pro-life, adoption can transcend those issues," McDonnell said at Tuesday's event. "Even in affluent place like Fairfax, there are children in need of loving homes."

McDonnell said the General Assembly provided \$1.5 million for the campaign, and the money will be used to help prospective adoptive parents with medical and other expenses associated with adopting a child.

"I'm passionate about this," McDonnell said. "Children in foster care are there through no fault of their own, and just as much as any child, they deserve a loving, secure and stable family and home."

McDonnell noted that in 2012, 708 children were adopted from foster care in Virginia. He said that most of the 4,000 chil-



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Supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield) spoke about his adoption experience during the event to promote the governor's "Virginia Adopts: Campaign for 1,000" initiative held Tuesday, July 30. Daughter Valeria, now 21, joined Herrity's family in 2002. Nancy, Valeria, Pat and Sean Herrity in a recent campaign photo.

dren currently in Virginia's foster care system are over the age of 10 and many a part of a sibling group. He also acknowledged the grim statistics for children who age out of the foster care system: within two years of aging out, about 25 percent will be incarcerated and 54 percent will be homeless.

"Of the 4,000 children in Virginia's foster care system, about 1,000 children are ready for, and eagerly awaiting, adoption," McDonnell said. "Each of these children deserves a secure, stable home environment. Together, we can help these children find loving families and make Virginia a better place."

Supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield) and Chairman Sharon Bulova (D-at-large) sat with McDonnell and gave the welcome and closing remarks.

Herrity spoke movingly about his own experience as an adoptive parent. He and his wife, Nancy, adopted daughter Valeria in 2002 when she was 9 years old. She is

now 21, and about to graduate from culinary school.

"As an adoptive parent this campaign is close to my heart," Herrity said. "By matching kids with adoptive families we are giving these children a shot at a life, a chance to stay in education, and a place to call home."

Herrity said he and his wife first met their daughter when she was playing with his sister's children. She had been adopted from Russia by a local couple, but that adoption wasn't working out.

"It was a bad situation. We met her and we started having her over to our house. The last thing I thought I'd be doing that summer is adopting a child," Herrity said. "There was a need and somebody needed to step up and help this girl."

"When she came into our lives, she didn't know the days of week or how to tell time," Herrity said during the event. "By the end of this year, she will have graduated from

Learn More

- ❖ Virginia Governor Bob McDonnell urges anyone considering becoming a foster parent or adopting to visit:
www.VirginiaAdopts.Virginia.Gov.
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- ❖ For more information about Fairfax County foster and adoption services, go to
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- ❖ Attend an Orientation Meeting: The Fairfax County Department of Family Services hosts orientation meetings for prospective foster and adoptive parents the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Pennino Building, 12011 Government Center Parkway. For more information, call 703-324-7639 or TTY: 703-222-9452

Indiana University of Pennsylvania's Culinary School."

Herrity admitted it was difficult for him to say "adopted daughter."

"She's my daughter, period. I asked her permission before I publicly talked about her. She said if I can help somebody else get adopted, that's okay."

NANNETTE BOWLER, director of the Fairfax County Department of Family Services, served as mistress of ceremonies for the event.

"The Department of Social Services is grateful to the governor for his leadership in heightening the awareness of the great need for adoptive homes for our foster children who are available for adoption, yet do not have adoptive placements, particularly children ages 12 to 17 years of age," said Bowler.

Currently, about 300 youth in Fairfax County are in foster care, according to county Bowler, and when children cannot return home safely, county officials attempt to provide adoption or permanent-placement services for them.

"I think anytime we can bring this issue to the forefront, especially at such a high level, it can only help to get the word out about the dire need for the children to have a loving, permanent family," Bowler said.



PHOTO BY IKEA DESIGNS

Small and affordable doesn't necessarily mean boring. Many furniture companies, such as IKEA, Target and Macy's, offer trendy furniture and rooms specifically designed for small living spaces, such as studio apartments. This small kitchen space is one of IKEA's recent designs on its website.



PHOTO BY VIRGINIA SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

The Crossings in Charlottesville, built by Virginia Supportive Housing (VSH), is the type of affordable housing Fairfax County is considering. Hailed as a "game-changer" for homelessness and a regional solution to affordable housing, the Crossings has 60 small studio apartments with support services in a mixed-income community. Thirty units are designated for homeless clients and 30 units are available to individuals earning 50 percent or less of the area median income.

Unlocking the Door to Affordable Housing

County considers establishment of residential studio option to create affordable housing options.

BY VICTORIA ROSS
THE CONNECTION

In a move designed to increase affordable housing options for working-class individuals, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors took a step toward adoption of zoning changes that would encourage the development of low-cost studio apartments.

On Tuesday, the board unanimously voted to authorize a public hearing on a proposed zoning ordinance amendment regarding residential studio units (RSUs) that will permit RSU use in various residential, commercial and industrial districts by special exception or in all planned development districts.

"There is a tremendous need for housing at all income levels in Fairfax County," Chairman Sharon Bulova said after the vote. "Permitting residential studios is an excellent way to accommodate lower income rental units and provide more housing choices for our residents. RSUs can be a great tool for providing efficiency apartments for our younger entry level workers, for seniors and others who may not need or want a lot of space."

Donna Pesto, the county's senior assistant to the zoning administrator, said the proposal would not change the building codes, and would apply to rental units only.

UNDER THE PROPOSAL, Pesto said there could be no more than 75 residential studio units in a build-

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The Board of Supervisors recommended that the Planning Commission conduct additional outreach in the form of work sessions or other public engagement opportunities. The board will hold its public hearing on Nov. 19 at 4 p.m. For more information visit:

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/zoningordinance/proposed>.

ing and a minimum of 80 percent of units have to be affordable to low-income earners, those making about \$45,000 per year or less. The maximum square footage for the units would be 500 square feet, plus a bathroom and kitchen.

"As parts of the county continue to urbanize, higher densities can be achieved, which makes the inclusion of more affordable housing more practical," Pesto said.

"We see the residential studio use to be in the same zoning category as independent living facilities and nursing homes, which are all carefully reviewed and require case-by-case approval by the board," Pesto said. "The standards are pretty stringent."

According to county officials, the proposed amendment was prompted by a number of county efforts to address the issue of affordable housing for all income populations.

In the past 40 years, Fairfax County has become one of the wealthiest counties in the nation. As land prices soared, the creation of low to moderate priced housing plummeted.

For several years, county officials have grappled with housing options that will aid efforts to end homelessness, accommodate the area's aging single population, and increase affordable housing for a workforce earning less than 60 percent of the area median income (AMI).

Supervisor Jeff McKay (D-Lee) said that while he supported the amendment, he thinks there is "still

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PHOTO BY VICTORIA ROSS/THE CONNECTION

Edwin C. Roessler

Roessler Named County Police Chief

New police chief vows focus on diversity.

BY VICTORIA ROSS
THE CONNECTION

Edwin C. Roessler, named Fairfax County's police chief at Tuesday's Board of Supervisor's meeting July 30, promised to launch a Diversity Council in an effort to recruit, promote and respond to Fairfax County's increasingly diverse community.

"Yes, we have significant gaps [in reflecting diversity in the department]. We can do a better job recruiting and we want to create more robust engagement with our county's many ethnic communities," Roessler said during a brief new conference after the appointment.

A 24-year veteran of the department, Roessler said he considered his "integrity" and "compassion" hallmarks of his leadership style, and "strategic planning" as the "backbone of my leadership style."

Roessler directed strategic planning initiatives for the department "to ensure a high standard of service delivery" as Fairfax County plans a new po-

lice headquarters in 2016 and future infrastructure growth planned in many communities throughout Fairfax.

Roessler was appointed acting police chief in March by Fairfax County Executive Ed Long.

"I am pleased to name Ed Roessler as Fairfax County's new police chief," said Board of Supervisor's Chairman Sharon Bulova. "Not only has he performed exceptionally well in his role as acting police chief, but he also possesses a wide range and depth of experience gathered over his 24-year tenure in law enforcement."

Roessler previously served as deputy chief of patrol, managing crime fighting efforts across eight district stations in addition to managing the Animal Services Division. Serving as deputy chief, he managed police emergency responses to a variety of natural disasters and tactical operational events, deployed personnel to the recent Presidential Inauguration and managed patrol assets committed to solving several multi-jurisdictional crimes.

Roessler began his law enforcement career with the New York City Department of Investigation before joining the

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AREA 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 2661 Avalon Court in Alexandria, with failing to yield the right of way.

Clifton Town Council Meeting

The Clifton Town Council will meet Tuesday, Aug. 6, at 7:30 p.m., at the Clifton Town Meeting Hall, 12641 Chapel Road in Clifton.

Broadening Housing Options

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much work to be done before we pass it.

"We need much more community input to help shape this, and I have great concerns about the impact this could have on existing neighborhoods," McKay said in an interview Tuesday night.

"It is vital that this amendment not jeopardize our residents' quality of life. I will work hard to ensure this does not negatively impact residents come November when it returns to the board, and at the same time provides vitally needed affordable housing," McKay added.

"Our board has been exploring the establishment of residential studio housing for about 10 years,"

Bulova said in an interview last week. "I think it's a good way to provide more affordable housing options for county residents. By advertising this for public hearing, we will initiate the process for engaging the community in the discussion.

"Let me just say, my feeling is we really need to move this forward," Bulova said.

"Small apartments have become the hot housing product in U.S. cities, where many places are marketing them under the name 'micro-units,'" Pesto said.

She added that Virginia Supportive Housing (VSH), based in Charlottesville, has built studio apartments

similar to what Fairfax County is considering.

LAST YEAR, VSH unveiled The Crossings in Charlottesville, hailed as a "game-changer" for homelessness and a regional solution to affordable housing.

Opened in March 2012, the Crossings has 60 studio apartments with support services in a mixed-income community. Thirty units are designated for homeless clients and 30 units are available to individuals earning 50 percent or less of the area median income.

Each unit is approximately 360 square feet and contains a kitchenette with full refrigerator and range oven, full bathroom

and closet. The building has an extensive security system, secure bike storage, off-street parking, access to public transportation and is in close proximity to the central business district.

"This is exactly the type of affordable rental housing we are trying to make available in Fairfax County," Pesto said. "It is most definitely a kind of development that we would permit under the Residential Studio amendment. ... That's one of their newer developments and I think it's a good looking building."

"This (option) is a critical component to our housing affordability," Supervisor Cathy Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill) said.

"There is a tremendous need for housing at all income levels in Fairfax County."

—Chairman Sharon Bulova (D-at-large)

Focus on Diversity

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Fairfax County Police Department as a patrol officer. He has served in every rank—up to and including deputy chief.

Prior senior command assignments have included the Internal Affairs Bureau, director of the Criminal Justice Academy, managing the department's budget and human resources and leading a Patrol Bureau division that included the Animal Services Division, the Crime Analysis Unit and the construction of the Sully District Station.

In addition to these command assignments, he led efforts that created the Incident Support Services program serving department members and their families, the Athletic Trainer Coordinator program and several other innovative employee support service programs.

Roessler received his undergraduate degree from

Arizona State University and his graduate degree from the George Washington University. During his career he also has graduated from a variety of professional development programs including the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Executive Institute and National Academy, American University's Key Executive Graduate Program, the United States Military Academy West Point Leadership Program and Leadership Fairfax.

Roessler's professional affiliations include the Police Executive Research Forum, the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police, the Major Cities Chiefs Human Resource Committee, FBI National Academy Associates and the Society for Human Resource Managers.

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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

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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 ideas, see the 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. See <http://facetscares.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/07/SchoolSupplyFlyerFY14.pdf>.

New Lyme Disease Legislation Now in Effect

BY BARBARA COMSTOCK
STATE DELEGATE (R-34)



On July 1, the Lyme Disease Testing Information Disclosure Act that I sponsored this year went into effect. Virginia is now the first state in the nation to disseminate information about testing problems directly to those who are suffering from Lyme Disease. This patient-centered measure enables patients to seek additional testing, if necessary, as well as receive appropriate and timely treatment. I've already seen this information posted in doctors' offices around our area, in compliance with the new law, and other states impacted are looking to take action too.

We modeled our Lyme legislation on an earlier bill we passed which provided information to women about problems in identifying breast cancer in women with dense breast tissue. In both cases, getting more information to patients both empowers and helps them seek additional treatments or information to help them battle these diseases.

I've heard from so many people in our community who are battling Lyme. Since I first took office, I have worked with leaders throughout Northern Virginia, including our Congressman Frank Wolf and Lyme Disease prevention advocates, to increase public awareness of this public health threat. In 2011, I passed a resolution to permanently designate May as Lyme Disease Awareness Month in Virginia.

The Lyme Disease Testing Information Disclosure Act that we passed this year simply requires health care providers to notify those tested for Lyme Disease that tests can produce a high rate of false negative results. The tests for Lyme only

become more accurate the longer the disease is in your body. We worked with McLean's Monte Skall and members of the National Capital Lyme Disease Association and were assisted by many of their volunteers who worked tirelessly to get their stories about failing to detect Lyme to legislators throughout Northern Virginia and the Commonwealth. It was the grassroots support and these stories that generated the winning bipartisan margin. Sharon Rainey of Great Falls, another tireless advocate who helps those in our community with Lyme Disease, was also a leader who worked with us to make this legislation a reality.

We need better and more accurate testing to help promote earlier diagnosis and treatment for this devastating illness, and are fortunate that the medical community in our area is working to find solutions. For example, in May, I joined some of my colleagues for a meeting with researchers from George Mason University's Center for Applied Proteomics and Molecular Medicine (CAPMM) and business partner Ceres Nanoscience to learn more about a new technology that will dramatically improve detection of Lyme Disease.

The lead researcher on the project is George Mason Assistant Professor, Dr. Alessandra Luchini, recently named as one of the "Brilliant 10" scientists under the age of 40 by Popular Science magazine. Her team and their partners at Ceres Nanoscience have been dedicated to refining their work on a new technology called a Nanotrap that will dramatically improve detection of Lyme Disease at much earlier stages. This testing also is could lead to earlier cancer testing.

Dr. Chip Petricoin, Co-Director of CAPMM and Director of Science at Ceres Nanoscience explained the Nanotrap as a "vacuum cleaner for

infectious disease markers", able to "identify evidence of the disease when it is 2000 times smaller" than what can be identified with current testing processes.

Dr. Lance Liotta, also co-director of CAPMM and Director of Science at Ceres Nanoscience, noted that use of the Nanotrap test will "dramatically reduce the false negatives of current testing processes and lead to earlier and greatly improved treatment outcomes for those suffering from Lyme Disease."

I look forward to continuing to work with doctors, members of the Lyme community, neighbors, family and friends to increase public awareness of Lyme Disease and to ensure patient-centered medical care for all Virginians.

Lyme disease is the most commonly reported "vector-borne" illness in the United States. ("Vector" refers to a toxic microbe in the blood caused by a bug bite, such as a tick bite.) The Virginia Department of Health reports that there were an estimated 1,110 cases of Lyme disease in the state in 2012, up 9 percent from 2011. And cases were reported in all regions of Virginia.

Early symptoms of Lyme disease may include headache, stiff neck, fever, muscle aches and fatigue. If left untreated or if treatment is delayed, the disease can become chronic with serious, debilitating complications, such as joint pain and swelling, heart disease, neurological problems (e.g., Bell's palsy), dizziness, irritability, ADHD-like symptoms, cognitive dysfunction, muscle weakness and neuropathy.

For more information about Lyme you can check the following resources:

<http://wolf.house.gov/index.cfm?sectionid=223§iontree=7,223>
<http://natcaplyme.org/lyme-topics/overview.html>.

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Alex Serote
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Using iPhones, iPods During School Lunch

To the Editor:

As part of a Scouting merit badge requirement to write to a local newspaper, I am writing to express my opinion about whether or not electronic devices should be allowed during lunch and other free

times between classes at my school, Lake Braddock Secondary School. I think students should be able to use their iPhones or iPods during lunch, because all you're doing is eating. It's pretty boring. I don't understand why this would be an

interruption. Lunch should be a break from our classes and a chance to relax. Teachers allow us to use phones during class so many of us are bringing them to school anyway. I think we should be allowed to use them during our free time, too, in-

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Ashley Daniella Pidal, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fernando Pidal, of Fairfax Station, graduated from Radford University this spring with a Master of Science degree in corporate and professional communication.

Hanna S. Sager of Fairfax Station received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English, Cum Laude from Boston University this spring.

Ashley Daniella Pidal, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fernando Pidal, of Fairfax Station, graduated from Radford University this spring with a Master of Science degree in corporate and professional communication.

Alexandra Hoenscheid, daughter of Joe and Donna Hoenscheid of West Springfield, has been named to the president's list at the University of Mary Washington for the spring semester.

Caroline Groves Rowley, daughter of John and Lori Groves Rowley of Fairfax Station, majoring in economics and English, has been named to the dean's list for the second semester at the College of Holy Cross.

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Brittany Yevoli has been dancing since age 3 and plans to pursue a professional career in her art form.

PEOPLE

Teenage Sisters Spend Summer Dancing

Brittany and Caitie Belle Yevoli take part in a five-week intensive program with The Washington School of Ballet.

By TIM PETERSON
THE CONNECTION

Rather than while away hours at the mall or the pool like most girls their age, a pair of teenage sisters from Fairfax Station chose to spend the majority of their summer dancing. But forget Selena Gomez and the Cupid Shuffle—Brittany, 14, and Caitie Belle Yevoli, 13, trained for five weeks alongside students from around the world as part of The Washington School of Ballet (TWSB) “Summer Intensive” program.

The lack of typical sunny socializing may sound like a sacrifice, but for Caitie Belle, it was just the opposite. “I would rather be here,” she said. “When I come here, I’m in a whole different world. I love it here.”

From June 24 through July 26, the girls trained Monday through Friday, with classes taking place at the school’s Northwest D.C. campus between 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. each day. The sisters dance at the school during the academic year—also between five and seven days a week, depending on proximity to a performance—but their progress is limited by having only two-and-a-half hours each day to train, according to TWSB Director Kee-Juan Han.

“The experience is unique,” Han said of the Sum-

mer Intensive. “During the school year, they’re not able to spend a whole day dancing. In the summer, they can do things like work on a piece solidly, each day, for two hours.”

The instruction this summer was focused primarily on ballet, but with additional workshops on flamenco, jazz and modern dance. The program culminated at the end of the five weeks with two days of performances for parents, friends and relatives.

DANCERS LIKE BRITTANY AND CAITIE BELLE see the intensive training as an opportunity to get a leg up on the coming academic year, and helping advance them toward making a career out of their craft.

“In a professional school, this is what they do,” said Han. “The whole day: It’s all on dance. The academics play a very, very small part.”

The school’s partnership with the Washington Ballet (TWB) helped make this summer program a truly professional environment. Program faculty included Septime Webre, artistic director, and David Palmer, associate artistic director of TWB, along with TWB company dancers Aurora Dickie and Luis R. Torres.

“This school has such a great advantage, because we’re attached to a company,” said TWSB coordinator and faculty member Kristy Windom. “For students,

and parents, they see this professional life around them while they’re dancing.”

As much as the Yevoli sisters would love to trade school for dance altogether, “I can’t imagine them not going to school,” said Jacquie Yevoli, the girls’ mother. “For us [the Summer Intensive] is perfect. They get to train all academic year in the evening, then in the summer, they get to focus on just dance. You don’t have to give up your middle school or high school experience, as if they were to go to a professional training school.”

In the fall, Brittany will attend Georgetown Visitation Preparatory School and Caitie Belle will attend St. Mary’s Catholic School in Alexandria.

The girls first took ballet lessons through the Fairfax County Parktakes program. Brittany led off at age 3, then her sister followed suit. “I used to join in,” said Caitie Belle, “but I had no idea what I was doing.”

Advancing from the toddlers’ classes, the girls ended up taking lessons with former Joffrey Ballet company member and Fairfax Station resident Susan Blazy. It was Blazy who first encouraged their mother to cultivate their talent by enrolling them in TWSB.

“I didn’t really foresee it becoming their major activity,” said Jacquie. “As time went on, it became clear this was truly their passion. Slowly but surely, the other things got squished out.”

FOUR YEARS AGO marked the sisters’ first intensive program with TWSB. “The first summer, it was

really good,” said Brittany. “It wasn’t all day; we were still doing swimming that year. The next year, we did all day, and it was even better. It is tiring, but it’s worth it.”

This enthusiastic attitude and strong work ethic of both Brittany and Caitie Belle have helped them get the most out of the summer program, according to their instructors.

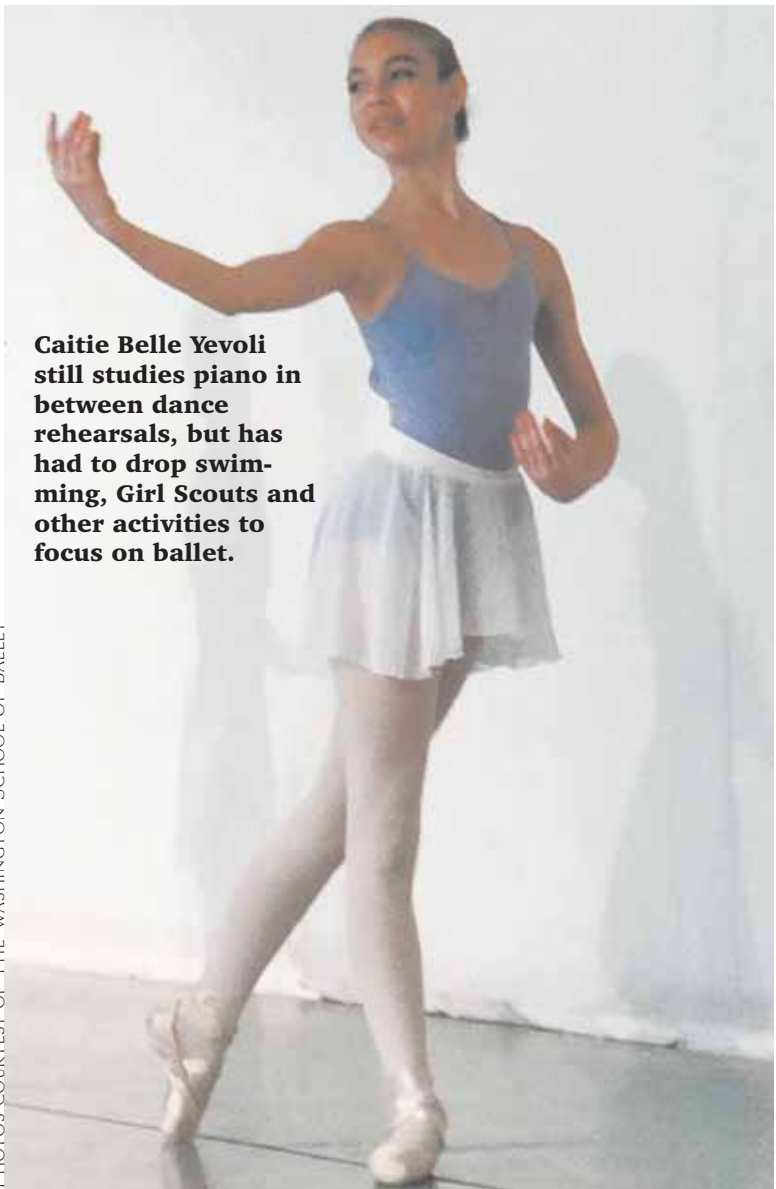
“They’re very motivated, self-motivated,” said Stephanie Walz, TWSB faculty. “That really helps their progress. They’re talented, lyrical dancers—beautiful girls. Really all-around, positive girls.”

This summer, the sisters found themselves assigned to the same level. “It was an interesting dynamic because the younger sister could watch and follow the older sister,” said TWSB coordinator and faculty Kristy Windom. “It’s just a life lesson. Brittany stepped it up and really became a leader, and that’s exactly what I wanted her to do.”

Though not all students are destined for a professional career, Walz likes the girls’ chances. “I’d say they’re doing very well,” she said. “They’re on a good track for that. They definitely have talent and potential, beauty—a lot of things going for them.”

But for now, they get to go back to just being teenage girls for the rest of the summer.

“It’s kind of sad,” said Caitie Belle on wrapping up the summer program. “In a way I’m like, ‘Yay, I get to relax.’ But I’m going to miss it. I’m going to wake up on Monday morning and be like, ‘I’m ready to go to ballet.’”



Caitie Belle Yevoli still studies piano in between dance rehearsals, but has had to drop swimming, Girl Scouts and other activities to focus on ballet.

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NEWS

Four Years Prison for Fairfax Station Man

He planned to have sex with a minor.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

A 67-year-old Fairfax Station man was sentenced last week to more than four years in federal prison. The punishment followed George Ronald Marion's conviction for crossing state lines to engage in illicit sexual conduct with a minor, plus possession of child pornography.

According to the government's evidence, between Nov. 28 and Dec. 8 of 2012, Marion communicated online, by text message and by telephone with an individual regarding Marion's interest in having sex with an underage girl. Marion and the individual planned to meet Dec. 8, 2012, to engage in such sexual activity.

However, the person with whom Marion had been in contact was actually acting under law-enforcement supervision, working with the FBI's Child Exploitation Task Force. So when Marion traveled from Virginia to the prearranged meeting location in Washington, D.C., on Dec. 8, 2012, he was apprehended.

Following Marion's arrest, law-enforcement personnel conducted a search of his home. There, they discovered and seized approximately seven videos and 16 images of child pornography on his computer and electronic storage devices.

This case was brought forward as part of the U.S. Department of Justice's Project Safe Childhood, a national initiative created in February 2006 to protect children from online exploitation and

abuse. It was investigated by the FBI's Child Exploitation Task Force, which includes members of the FBI's Washington Field Office. Assistant U.S. Attorney Cassidy Kesler Pinegar prosecuted the case.

A retired Army officer, Marion pleaded guilty to the charges against him in February in U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia. He returned for sentencing last Thursday, July 25, by U.S. District Court Judge Ellen S. Huvelle.

Besides incarcerating him for four years and two months, she also ordered Marion to pay a \$3,000 fine. Upon completion of his prison term, he'll be on 10 years supervised release. During that time, he must abide by a number of conditions, including registering as a sex offender, obtaining sex-offender treatment and adhering to strict limits on his computer/Internet usage and contact with minors.

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THURSDAY/AUG. 1

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FRIDAY/AUG. 2

Alt Washingtonia. 7:30-8:30 p.m., at Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield. This group will be performing traditional Alpine dances from Germany and Austria, representing the many different aspects of the culture. www.altwashingtonia.com/.

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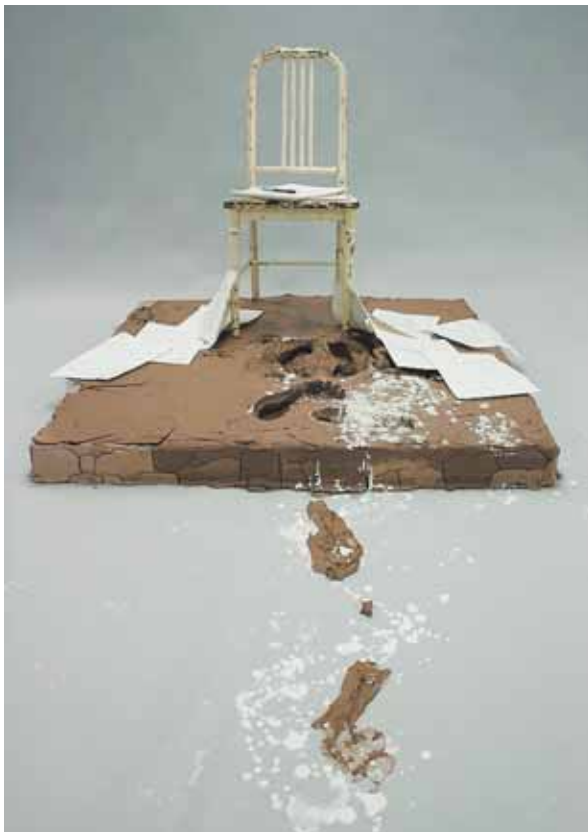
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FRIDAY/AUG. 9

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Woodson Graduate Finnerty to Play Basketball at Stetson

Sharps shooting guard Keara Finnerty's talents helped lead the 2012-13 W.T. Woodson girls' basketball team to the program's first Northern Region tournament berth since 2010.

After the Cavaliers defeated Lee in the Patriot District quarterfinals to clinch a regional berth, Finnerty in the semifinals made eight 3-pointers and scored a career-high 40 points during a victory against three-time defending district champion West Springfield. Woodson would finish district runner-up to T.C. Williams.

A four-year varsity athlete, Finnerty finished her high school career with 1,514 points. She was a three-time first-team all-district selection, a first-team all-region choice in 2012 and a second-team all-region member in 2013.

Finnerty, a 2013 W.T. Woodson High School graduate, will continue her basketball career at Stetson University in DeLand, Fla., where she received a full athletic scholarship. She recently participated in a Q and A with the Connection via email.

❖ Connection: What made Stetson the right fit for you?

Finnerty: The size, location and amazing sports programs made Stetson University the right fit for me. Stetson is a nationally ranked university located in DeLand, Fla. The women's basketball team has won the Atlantic Sun Division I Tournament two of the last three years and also has two NCAA Tournament appearances. The coaches and team were very welcoming and I am excited about playing basketball at Stetson.

❖ Connection: What position will you play?

Finnerty: I will play shooting guard.

❖ Connection: What is your favorite memory of playing basketball at Woodson?

Finnerty: My favorite memory of playing basketball at Woodson was our 61-43 win over top seed West Springfield in the 2013 AAA Patriot District semifinals. We hadn't beaten West Springfield in the previous nine times Woodson had played them. We worked very well together to beat a very talented team.

❖ Connection: Three-point shooting is one of your strengths. What does it take to become a good perimeter shooter?

Finnerty: To become a good perimeter shooter it takes lots of practice and sound fundamentals. The key is to first establish your shot close in, which I work on at the beginning of my workouts, and then move farther away from the basket once you have your form. Once the shot is established, I then proceed to shoot a couple hundred shots.

❖ Connection: What is your career-high for points in a game? Career-high for 3-pointers in a game?

Finnerty: My career-high for points in a game is

40 points, which I scored in my team's 61-43 win over top seed West Springfield in the 2013 Virginia AAA Patriot District semifinals. I shot 73 percent from the floor and made 8 of 11 3-pointers. My career high for 3-pointers in a game is eight, which I had in that game and several other games during my sophomore, junior and senior years.

❖ Connection: If you could go back and change one thing about your high school athletic career, what would it be?

Finnerty: I don't think I would change anything. I really enjoyed playing for coach Neri and coach Murray for four years on the varsity team and was very blessed to have amazing teammates.

❖ Connection: At what age did you start playing basketball? When did you realize playing college basketball was a possibility for you?

Finnerty: I started playing basketball on my Little Tikes Basketball Hoop when I was 2 and moved onto the taller hoops when I was 4. In first grade, I played organized basketball and moved to AAU basketball from age 9 to 17, culminating with last summer being a member of the Fairfax Stars 16U Nike Elite Premier Showcase Team. In September of my junior year, I began to realize that playing college basketball was a possibility when I received many college basketball letters of interest.

❖ Connection: What are you most looking forward to about the transition from high school to college?

Finnerty: I'm looking forward to getting the opportunity to play with and against great college basketball players. Working with them will help me learn a lot, improve my game and take it to the next level.

❖ Connection: Who is your favorite music artist? Why?

Finnerty: My favorite music artist is Luke Bryan, because I love his country music and he

writes really good songs.

❖ Connection: What's your favorite movie? Why?

Finnerty: My favorite movie is "She's the Man," because I think Channing Tatum is a great actor.

❖ Connection: What is your favorite hobby outside of basketball?

Finnerty: I enjoy fishing when I get a chance. It's very relaxing and I like being out on the water.

❖ Connection: What location is the farthest you've traveled from the Washington, D.C. metro area?

Finnerty: The farthest I traveled is to New Orleans to attend our 11U AAU Girls National Championship with the Fairfax Stars.

—JON ROETMAN



Keara Finnerty, a 2013 W.T. Woodson High School graduate, will play college basketball at Stetson University in DeLand, Fla.

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VIEWPOINTS

What is the highlight of your summer tennis experience so far? What do you look forward to in the future?

—ELEANOR LAMB



Caley Nee, 7, participant in 4-week tennis camp at Cottontail Pool, Springfield

"I've done backhands. I won with a backhand in [the game] jail. You go in jail if you miss catching the tennis ball. [I also like tornado], where you run around and try not to be hit by tennis balls. [I'll keep playing tennis] because it's a lot of fun."



Zoe Green, 8, participant in 4-week tennis camp at Cottontail Pool, Springfield

"I like the part where you actually learn all the strokes and get to play against each other. Instead of using your feet, you use your hands. I like my tennis teacher a lot. [I like the game jail] because it's fun when you get a jailbreak. Everybody wins, nobody loses."



Steve Myers, 25, captain of Rolling Valley Swim and Racket Club's men's singles and mixed doubles teams, Springfield

"[The best] is getting everyone to come out and play. It's a lot of fun. I don't define success by wins and losses. Everyone's having a good time."



Emma Phillips, 13, member of the Orange Hunt Tennis Club, Springfield

"My highlight was playing my first match of tennis. My first match was singles and I didn't like it because I lost. Next, I played doubles and we didn't win, but we played well and felt better. I have a lot of fun and I think I could definitely improve. [I look forward to] winning a match."



Wayne Romero, 11, member of the Orange Hunt Tennis Club, Springfield

"[My highlight] was winning my first match. It was pretty close. It was 8-6. I like playing tennis. It's one of my hobbies. [I look forward] to winning more."



Julie Mohl, 16, member of the Orange Hunt Tennis Club, Springfield

"My first year, I was the only girl. It's nice to outnumber [the guys] for once. [I like] the quick smile and the wave as you walk on the court. I enjoy getting better and I feel like I have this year. Maybe we'll win next year."

Lynn Mayer to Lead Fairview Elementary

With strong ethicacy, she is focused on what's best for the students.

BY STEVE HIBBARD
THE CONNECTION

Lynn Mayer of Fairfax was named the new principal of Fairview Elementary in Fairfax Station on July 1. The school originally built on Ox Road in 1899 inherited one third of the Clifton Elementary students when it closed two years ago.

"It's a very high-performing community," she said of her new school of nearly 600 students. "My job is to work together with staff, parents and students to learn as much about the community and continue that growth."

She said her challenge is to raise the level of learning for all of her students. Fairview offers advanced academics, with Level 4 or AAP being the highest, so there's an advanced curriculum for students who are eligible.

"The AAP program is so incredibly rich and in-depth, and includes those 21st century learning skills such as problem-solving and critical thinking," she said. "So I want to make sure all of our students have opportunities to access that AAP curriculum."

At the same time, Fairview is a Cluster 6 site for students receiving enhanced autism services. It has about 100 special ed students and its teachers are highly trained.

She added: "They require more services that their own base schools are not able to provide."

FAIRVIEW'S DEMOGRAPHIC MAKEUP for 2011-12 is as follows: Asian 10.31 percent, black 3.76 percent, Hispanic 10.03 percent, white 72.70 percent and other 3.20 percent. To this mix, she says: "I think the challenge is always meeting individual student needs."

As principal of Centreville Elementary, Dwayne Young worked with Mayer when she was his assistant principal. He says she has a "calm, thoughtful and super compassionate" personality. "And she has a very strong sense of ethicacy," he said. "She has her focus on the right things that are the best for the kids ... Fairview is a wonderful match for her."

Born in the District and raised in Columbus, Ohio (her dad was a chemist), Mayer said Fairview also offers Chinese in grades first through sixth, one hour per week. "I would like to learn Chinese. My goal is to learn along with the first grade," she said.

She would also like to continue Fairview's unique handbell program for grades four through six, which she inherited from the previous principal, and that two music teachers are developing. Mayer hopes to further enhance the school's Outdoor Learning Program, which also has a Green Team on staff that grows its own summer vegetables, composting and recycling projects.

Robyn Ake has known Mayer for six years as a first grade teacher at Centreville Elementary. Mayer listens carefully and collaborates with teachers to find the most effective way to proceed, she said. "Lynn focuses on building relationships between students



New Principal Lynn Mayer stands in the room/space that housed the original Fairview School, built in 1899.

and teachers."

Ake said Mayer can be seen walking around the classrooms, and calling parents to communicate the things she's observed about their children. "She gets down at the children's level and has meaningful interactions with them," said Ake. "The children love it when she comes into the classroom."

"When I'm in the classrooms, I love for students to share with me the greatest things they're doing," said Mayer. "I feel that my main job is to be in the classrooms, greeting [students] when they come in and saying goodbye to them at the end of the day."

SHE LIKES to have fun too—by climbing into a dunk tank or dressing up on holidays in her pilgrim and Colonial Day outfits.

Mayer attended the University of Michigan where she was a near Eastern studies major. After graduation, she worked as an instructional assistant and discovered that she loved it. "I was bitten by the bug," she said.

She went back for a degree in special education from GMU in 1992 and taught kindergarten at Gesher Jewish Day School. She then pursued a master's degree in administration from Virginia Tech. Mayer started at Timber Lane Elementary, where she worked as a special education teacher for K-3. From there, she went to Little Run and taught special education in grades four through six. She moved to Thoreau Middle School and taught special education. She went on to become the pyramid resource specialist for nine schools in the Madison Pyramid. From there, she went to the central office and was program manager for emotional and learning disabilities for the elementary level, overseeing 140 schools in the county. Afterwards, she became the assistant principal at Centreville Elementary.

She is married to husband Robert, a director at the GAO, and the couple has two daughters: Adriana, 25, and Elana, 17.



PHOTO COURTESY OF DR. DEEANN STROOP

Dr. Stroop treating a 6-year-old with severe malnutrition and malaria in Uganda during her 2012 trip to the country.

Local Doctor Helps Ugandan People

BY OLIVIA OVERMAN
THE CONNECTION

Working in conjunction with the Hope 4 Kids International organization (H4KI), Fairfax Station resident Dr. DeeAnn Stroop has traveled to Uganda for the past three years, providing medical and other assistance to the people. "We provide medical assistance, dedicate clean water wells, feed and clothe children, and work with widows in a program that helps them to run a business so they can feed their family," said Stroop.

Stroop has raised just over \$3,500 to date, which will allow her to hold about eight-and-a-half day clinics where she will help about 3,000 people. "I mostly treat malaria, dysentery and measles," said Stroop. "People walk two days to attend the clinic, so they are not coming to me with a cold."

"A lot of children are dying from measles out there," she said.

"I hold as many clinics as I can raise money for," Stroop said, and working sunup to sundown in the sweltering heat can be tough when the only place for the clinic is a makeshift tent under a tree.

Suffering from the lasting impact of Lyme disease, Stroop has her own medical needs to overcome as well. Because of this she holds clinics every other day and restocks medications and rests on the days in between. Asked about the medications available, Stroop said, "it is hard to get real medications. There is a lot of corrup-

tion and some medications you just cannot get, but I've found a reputable pharmacist. They are about 15 years behind us in terms of the medications available."

Faced with corruption and the possible threat from the Liberation Army, Stroop travels as part of a group of people from all over the country who all possess different skills. While some construct the wells, others teach the villagers how to maintain it and keep it clean. Describing the water in places without wells, Stroop said, "I would not let my dog drink the water that is available." And having a well in a village allows the children to attend school, rather than having to walk 10 hours to get buckets of water for the family.

Volunteers help feed the children with highly nutritious protein-rich food packs that provide them with all the nutrition they need for a day, make and bring temperature appropriate clothes for them while others help teach the children.

During the five weeks in Uganda, Stroop will primarily provide medical care in the villages surrounding Tororo and Fort Portal as well as spending time playing with, feeding and clothing children, helping widows and working on projects in Bunyinda. "I fell in love with the Ugandan people," she said.

Stroop will have her airfare paid for by United Arab Emirates, so all the money raised will go to providing medical treatment to the people. Donations can be made for this trip on the H4KI website (www.hope4kidsinternational.org).

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Mary Diana Geschickter, 78 of Scotch Plains, NJ, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family on July 26, 2013, after a courageous battle with cancer. A celebration of Diana's life will be held on Saturday, August 3rd at 11:15 am at St. Helen's Church, 1600 Rahway Ave., Westfield, NJ. Diana, as she was known to her family and friends was born in Ayer, MA and lived in Lorton, VA, Alexandria, VA and most recently Scotch Plains, NJ. She was the daughter of Walter and Margaret (Ryan) Vaughan, step-daughter of George Hare and sister to Walter Vaughan all of who predeceased her. Diana is survived by her sons, Tad (Jodi), Chris (Joanne) and Brian (Tracy). She will also be deeply missed by her grandchildren, Ryan, Katie, Garrett and Lyndsay. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital or the American Cancer Research Institute. Please visit www.dooleycolonialfuneralhome.com for her complete life story.

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PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality that will allow the release of treated wastewater into a water body in Fairfax County, Virginia.

Public comment period: June 13, 2013 to August 26, 2013

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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Contact for public comments, document requests and additional information: The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ-Northern Regional Office by appointment, or may request electronic copies of the draft permit and fact sheet.

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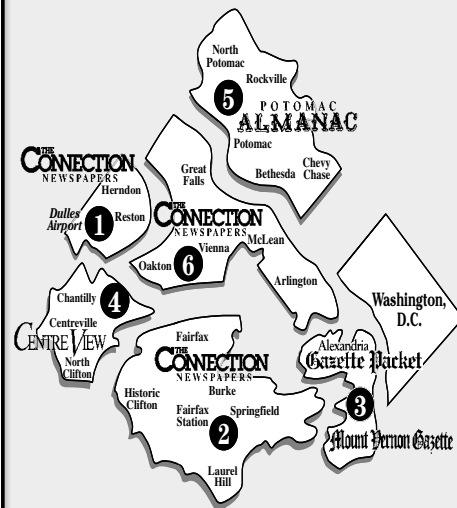
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