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# Celebrate Community

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A vendor makes sand art for Ava Vidanes, 5, and brother Christian, 2 1/2, of Franklin Farm at last year's Centreville Day.

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## RACEMAP



Map of the 5K route.

## BB&T 5K Run/Walk Is Oct. 13

The First Annual BB&T 5K will be held this Sunday, Oct. 13, at the Fairfax Corner shopping center. The 1K Fun Run starts at 8:30 a.m., followed by the 5K Run/Walk at 9 a.m. The 5K course is USATF-certified. The awards ceremony is set for 10:15 a.m. Prizes will be given to the top three overall finishers and for first, second and third places in various age categories.

Proceeds benefit Northern Virginia Family Services. Pre-register at [www.bbt5k.com/#registertoday](http://www.bbt5k.com/#registertoday) Section until Friday, Oct. 11, at noon, or on Saturday, Oct. 12, from noon-6 p.m., at the Pacers Running Store, 10427 North St. in Fairfax. Race-day registration will be from 7-8:15 a.m. Costs are: 1K Fun Run (children, 14 and under), \$20; 5K Run/Walk, \$35.

## Annual K-9 Krawl Is Oct. 19

The seventh annual K-9 Krawl is set for Saturday, Oct. 19, in parking lot C of the Fairfax County Government Center. Check-in is at 8:30 a.m., police K-9 demonstration, 8:45 a.m.; and walk at 9 a.m. Register at: K-9 Krawl 5K Registration<sup>o</sup>- Fairfax County, Virginia.

The event was created to raise awareness of issues surrounding domestic violence. And in observance of National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, Fairfax County Police Department's Victim Services Section is sponsoring the Krawl. It remembers domestic-abuse victims and celebrates its sur-

vivors, while reminding people that pets aren't immune to domestic violence. Batterers often threaten, injure, maim, or kill their partners' pets for the purpose of revenge or control within relationships. The K-9 Krawl is free and all are welcome; bring a dog or borrow one from a friend, although walkers aren't required to have a canine companion to participate. There'll be domestic-violence resource tables, plus a deejay and goodie bags. And for a \$10 donation, people may have their pet's portrait taken by a professional photographer. For more information, call 703-814-7009.

### PEOPLE NOTES

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Christ Presbyterian Church hired **Missy Payne** to their staff as the director of their Preschool Ministry. Payne holds a bachelor of arts degree in elementary education, newborn through sixth grade. She has more than 22 years of experience working with children ranging in age from 3 years old to middle school.

Payne has taught in both private and public school systems throughout the U.S.

She most recently has worked at a Christian preschool for seven years as a teacher and an Early Child Development Specialist. She lives in Fairfax, with her husband and two children.

**Julie Herrick**, a librarian at Chantilly Regional Library, is using a scholarship to cover the cost of a Malice Domestic 25 event. Herrick attended this conference to maintain her awareness of mystery titles which appeal to older Fairfax County Public Library visitors.

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**Clarke-Hook Real Estate**, a full-service leasing, brokerage, and commercial development firm in the Washington, D.C./Northern Virginia area, announces signing of the lease relocating Largo Marble and Granite to Technology Trading Park in Sterling. Clarke-Hook is the exclusive leasing agent for this six-acre office, warehouse, and flex-space commercial center.

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## ROUNDUPS

### Chantilly Woman Dies in Crash

A 39-year-old Chantilly woman died Friday, Oct. 4, following an early morning car crash. The incident occurred around 2 a.m. on Route 50 near Sullyfield Circle in Chantilly.

According to Fairfax County police, Erika Alvarado of Lufthansa Circle was driving a 2012 Nissan Versa east on Route 50 in the center lane when she lost control of the vehicle, ran off the road to the right and struck a pole. She was pronounced dead at the scene.

Her passenger, a 29-year-old man, was transported to Inova Fairfax Hospital and was listed in stable condition. No other vehicles were involved. Police say preliminary investigation revealed that "speed and alcohol may have been factors in the crash."

Crash Reconstruction Unit detectives are still investigating. Anyone with information is asked to contact Crime solvers at 1-866-411-TIPS/8477, e-mail [www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org](http://www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org), text "TIP187" plus a message to CRIMES/274637 or call police at 703-691-2131.

### Head-on Crash Kills Man

64-year-old man died last Friday afternoon, Oct. 4, after his vehicle was struck head-on by a driver traveling the wrong way on McLearen Road in Oak Hill. The victim was Chris Reams of Sterling.

Fairfax County police say a 19-year-old male was driving a 2012 Honda Civic west on McLearen, near Cobra Drive, around 3:50 p.m. Then, for reasons unknown, the vehicle drove off the road and reentered McLearen, heading west in the eastbound lanes.

As a result, it struck a 2000 Honda Civic driven by Reams, head-on. Both drivers were taken to a local hospital where Reams died. Police aren't releasing the name and city of the teen unless he's charged in connection with this incident.

The exact cause of the crash is still under investigation by the police Crash Reconstruction Unit and charges may be pending. However, police say initial findings didn't indicate that alcohol was a factor.

### Free Teen Driving Program

Ford Motor Company, in partnership with the Governors Highway Safety Assn., will hold a free Driving Skills For Life event for teen drivers at Dulles International Airport, this Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 12-13. It gives teens an opportunity to get real-world, driving instruction from professional drivers.

It'll be held in the Purple Public Parking Economy Lot at 44930 Rudder Road in Dulles. There are two sessions/day: Session 1 - 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and Session 2 - 1-5:30 p.m. Registration is limited and signed consent forms are required. Go to [www.drivingskillsforlife.com](http://www.drivingskillsforlife.com). Teens must bring the signed form and their driver's license or permit with them.

### Free Carseat Inspections

Certified technicians from the Sully District Police Station will perform free, child safety carseat inspections Thursday, Oct. 10 and Oct. 24, 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.

### Fire Stations Hold Open House

All Fairfax County fire stations will hold Fire Prevention Open Houses this Saturday, Oct. 12, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., and the public is welcome. It's part of national Fire Prevention Week and is aimed at preventing home fires — especially those that begin in the kitchen.

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## NEWS

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PHOTOS CONTRIBUTED

The dancers of Buenos Aires in Chantilly High's production of "Evita."

# 'Don't Cry for Me, Argentina'

Chantilly High presents the musical, 'Evita.'

BY BONNIE HOBBS  
CENTRE VIEW

Featuring a cast and crew of 70, Chantilly High presents the musical, "Evita," about the life of Argentine political leader Eva Peron. The curtain rises Wednesday-Saturday, Oct. 16-19, at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$12 at the door or \$10 via [www.chantillyhsdrama.com](http://www.chantillyhsdrama.com).

"All the students have put in an amazing amount of time and energy and I'm proud of all their hard work," said Director Shannon Khatcheressian. "I can't wait for an audience to appreciate it, as well. And the music is so notable; it's one of Andrew Lloyd Webber's classics."

Her sister-in-law, Molly Khatcheressian, will conduct the pit orchestra, and Choral Director Evan Ayars is the music director. "The show's a good mixture of theater and choral kids, so it's been a great opportunity to collaborate with him and the choral program," said Shannon Khatcheressian.

Senior Amanda Mason plays the lead role and, said Khatcheressian, "I'm thrilled because she's so talented and dedicated to perfecting her craft that she makes directing the show a truly enjoyable experience." She said the audience will also love the "brilliant costuming and bright, fun, colorful choreography. And the storyline is based on a true, historical figure, and everyone likes to see underdogs making their way to the top."

The students have been rehearsing six days a week, including seven hours on Saturdays, since school started in September. "It's a difficult show to tackle because the music's so complex, there's a lot of choreography and so many different scenes to stage," explained Khatcheressian, who did the choreography. There's also a slew of quick costume changes, including 22 just for Evita, but Khatcheressian says the finished product promises to be extraordinary.

Evita's an affectionate name for Eva Peron, and Mason describes her character as Argentina's spiritual leader. "She's shown from age 15 and a brown-

haired peasant living in the sticks," said Mason. "She later has a relationship with Magaldi, a musician who wants to go to Buenos Aires, the 'Big Apple' of Argentina, where it's vibrant, colorful and lively and everyone's somebody and rich."

Peron accompanies him; but once there, said Mason, "All the men think she's something special, so she ditches Magaldi and becomes a model and a radio host and becomes relatively well-off. She then meets Juan Peron, who's going to be the new leader of Argentina, and likes the idea of having more riches and power. They love each other, so they marry and rule Argentina together; and the poor people adore Evita because she gives them money and other things they don't have."

Mason said Evita's extremely complicated, passion-

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Amanda Mason as Evita, speaking to the crowd at the Casa Rosada as Che (Michael Mason) questions her motives.

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## POLITICS



Republican Ken Cuccinelli speaks at the Annandale campus of the Northern Virginia Community College.



Democrat Terry McAuliffe takes the stage at the Annandale campus of the Northern Virginia Community College.

# Negative Campaign

Candidates appear at minority business forum, attacking each other.

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE  
CENTRE VIEW

Local and statewide candidates for office appeared at an unprecedented forum in Northern Virginia last weekend, a collaboration of minority business groups of blacks, Hispanics and Asians. But as candidates arrived at the Annandale campus of the Northern Virginia Community College for a Sunday afternoon forum, voters realized that the tone of the campaign would remain unrelentingly negative.

"All three of the Republican candidates are Tea Party right wing extremists," said Del. Ken Plum (D-36), who is running unopposed. "Look at their records and their stands on the issues."

Plum attacked Cuccinelli's lawsuit against the Affordable Care Act as well as his investigation into a University of Virginia professor studying climate change. The longtime delegate also said the Republican attorney general candidate Sen. Mark Obenshain (R-25) has a similar record, including a bill that would have required women to report abortions to police. Together with the candidate for lieutenant governor, Plum said, the ticket is Tea Party from top to bottom.

"For some reason, some folks in the Democratic Party think that the label Tea Party is going to stimulate some kind of negative feelings," said Jay McConville, chairman of the Fairfax County Republican Committee. "But I think those people are great patriots, and they are supporting the candidates they think are best for the commonwealth."

AS CANDIDATES for governor took the stage to make their case to voters, the tone of the campaign remained starkly negative. Each of the candidates



Libertarian candidate Robert Sarvis greets voters at the Annandale campus of the Northern Virginia Community College.

PHOTOS BY MICHAEL LEE POPE/CENTRE VIEW

spent as much time talking about their own vision of the future as they did castigating their opponent as someone who would harm Virginia. For Republican Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli: "My time as attorney general and my time in the state Senate leaves me as the only candidate who would show up on day one knowing how Virginia government works from having participated in it. I will not need on the job training if you elect me on November 5th, and I'm the only candidate who can say that."

For weeks, Republicans have been criticizing Democrat Terry McAuliffe for threatening to shut down Virginia government unless the General Assembly agreed to expand Medicaid. McAuliffe attempted to beat back that argument during the Fairfax Chamber of Commerce debate, pledging that he would not force a shutdown. Meanwhile,

the Democrat is now criticizing the Republican for appearing at a fundraiser with Texas Senator Ted Cruz, whom Democrats say is the architect of the government shutdown.

"Ken Cuccinelli was apparently more concerned about his reputation with the Tea Party than with

**"Politics has become a blame game. They are always talking about what the other candidate is and how that's not working, but they never say how they can fix it or what is going to lead to fixing it."**

— Deborah Williams of Fairfax City

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# Music, Dancing, Exercise Help Local Community

## Zumbathon in Chantilly to raise money for WFCM.

BY BONNIE HOBBS  
CENTRE VIEW

Chantilly's Kelly Joedicke-Lawrence is a certified Zumba instructor and, for the past few years, she's held a Zumbathon fundraiser for breast-cancer research. But this year, her Zumba group voted to instead help a local charity.

"I saw the article in Centre View a few weeks ago about WFCM [Western Fairfax Christian Ministries] and the need for people to hold fundraisers for them, especially around the holidays," said Joedicke-Lawrence. "So WFCM seemed like a perfect choice."

The event is set for Saturday, Oct. 19, from 7-8:30 p.m. (registration, 6:30 p.m.) at Cheer Tyme Chantilly, 14110 Sullyfield Circle, Suite C, in Chantilly. Tickets are \$10 and 100 percent of the proceeds will go to WFCM. Children ages 10 and up are welcome to attend. Anyone planning to participate should RSVP at gozumbafun@gmail.com.



PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

Some members of Kelly Joedicke-Lawrence's Zumba class are (from left) Evonne Spiewak, Tanya Meyers, Kathy Fritzsche, Lindsey Skowronsky, Cissy Ayona and Tracy Calvert.

"I've been in touch with [WFCM's Community Outreach Manager] Jennie Bush and we have it all set," said Joedicke-Lawrence. "I'll teach for free and Cheer

Tyme has generously agreed to donate the space for the event."

Besides the ticket price, people may also make additional donations to WFCM, if they

desire. All proceeds will go toward WFCM's Client-Assistance Program, which provides food, clothes and emergency assistance to Centreville, Chantilly and Clifton families in need.

"No dance or Zumba experience is needed — just a desire to have fun and help a most worthy charity," said Joedicke-Lawrence. "The movements are repetitive and easy to follow, so people can catch on pretty quickly. I'm hoping we can draw a decent-sized crowd to make this successful." Zumba is a Latin music-based dance/exercise program. "It includes salsa and reggae, but we use music from all different genres — Irish, rock, country, Top 40, etc," said Joedicke-Lawrence. "It's dancing and working out at the same time."

**PARTICIPANTS** in the Oct. 19 class should wear comfortable clothing, such as T-shirts, shorts and sneakers. They may also bring water and a small towel. The floor is padded, so no mats are needed.

As for Bush and WFCM Executive Director Melissa Jansen, they couldn't be happier about the upcoming fundraiser. "We are grateful to Kelly and her efforts for the Zumbathon," said Jansen. "The proceeds will allow us to serve clients with food, clothing and financial assistance. Last year,

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### EDITORIALS

No update is required to the CDC recommendation that every child, woman and man over the age of six months be vaccinated for the flu every year, preferably by October.

Virginia and Maryland are both reporting confirmed cases of influenza at a "sporadic" level. Since it takes two weeks for the vaccine to take full effect, now is the time to be vaccinated if you haven't yet had the shot.

Every year, 5-to-20 percent of U.S. residents become sick with the flu, with 200,000 hospi-

### Get One

Flu shots are available on a walk-in basis at most pharmacies including Walgreen, CVS, Rite Aid, Giant, Safeway and independent pharmacies; most urgent care clinics and at area hospitals.

tizations. Children are especially vulnerable with about 20,000 children under the age of 5 hospitalized. Depending on the severity of the flu in a given year, from 1976 to 2006, estimates of annual deaths ranged from 3,000 to a high of about 49,000, according to the CDC.

Remember that getting the flu shot is also community service. You might be strong and healthy and think that you will not suffer too much if you get the flu. But everyone has contact with people in the high-risk groups: people over 65, children under 5, pregnant women, people with other illnesses. So have your shot to protect other people.

### Deadline to Register to Vote, Oct. 15

To vote on Election Day, you must be registered at your current address no later than Oct.

### INOVA CLINICS

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### LETTER

## What Eid-ul-Adha Is All About

To the Editor:

Eid is the Arabic word which literally means "feast, festival, or holiday." Eid-ul Adha is celebrated on the 10th day of Dhul Hijjah, which is the last month of the Islamic calendar. This year the date corroborates with Oct. 15 or 16 of the Gregorian calendar. The holiday is celebrated by Muslims around the world in which they are required to sacrifice an animal commemorating the willingness by Prophet Abraham to sacrifice his son, Ishmael.

Narrating the above incident, the Qur'an relates, "And when he was old enough to run along with him, he said, "O my dear son, I have seen in a dream that I offer thee in sacrifice. So consider what thou thinkest of it. He replied, "O my father, do as thou art commanded; thou wilt find me, if God please, steadfast in my faith" (37:103)

Abraham was so obedient to God that he did not hesitate a bit when he was asked to sacrifice his only son, whom God gave him at a very old age. Children are dearest to a parent. The thought that Prophet Abraham was ever ready to sacrifice his son gives me goose bumps. But it was only a test from God and Abraham along with Ishmael passed this test and

proved to God that they have truly submitted to His will. He did not have to sacrifice his son in reality. It was only a practical demonstration of his intention and preparedness to sacrifice his son. It eliminated the tradition of sacrificing of a son, which was a common practice carried out at that time.

In most Muslim countries, people sacrifice an animal on the day of Eid after they come home from the congregational prayer. The meat from the slaughtered animal is divided in three parts, one for the poor, one for the friends and family, and one part for themselves. Although it is indeed a day of celebration, we must not forget its origin. For most of us celebrating a holiday means getting gifts, meeting families, putting on new clothes, and eating good food, but we shouldn't forget the real meaning of Eid-ul-Adha, that is, sacrifice.

We can make different kinds of sacrifices. We can sacrifice our time or money, or both. We can volunteer our time at various organizations and donate money to different causes. We should keep the spirit of sacrifice going that makes people and their faiths strong.

**Saba Amjad**  
Chantilly



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### 'Rocking the Pink'

Members of the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department are 'Rocking the Pink' in the shadow of the Fairfax County Courthouse on Oct. 8, in a department-wide effort to participate in breast cancer awareness month.

## CALENDAR

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### FALL FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

**Festival is Back.** Fall Festival at Cox Farms, 15621 Braddock Road, Centreville. Enjoy going down the faster, 144-foot slide, multiple slides, children's activities, food and more are available. The festival will be open through Tuesday, Nov. 5 from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. (closing at 5 p.m. in November.) Pumpkin Madness will be Nov. 2-3 from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Visit [www.coxfarms.com](http://www.coxfarms.com) for more.

### FIELDS OF FEAR SCHEDULE

**Get Scared.** Fields of Fear at Cox Farms, 15621 Braddock Road, Centreville is back. Go through a haunted corn maze, take a hayride or go down a slide. Runs Friday and Saturday nights through Nov. 2 with a bonus night on Sunday, Oct. 13. Hours are 7:30-11:30 p.m. with last admission at 10 p.m. (earlier if sold out.) Visit [www.fieldsoffear.com](http://www.fieldsoffear.com) for tickets, map and more.

### THURSDAY/OCT. 10

**Lego Block Party.** 7 p.m. at Chantilly Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. Children in grades 3-6 can build. Free. Call for this month's theme. Registration required, 703-502-3883.

**Civil War Lecture.** 7 p.m. at Centreville Regional Library, 14200 St. Germain Drive. Adults and school age children can hear "Battle of Bristoe Station, Virginia, October 14, SEE CALENDAR, PAGE 20

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### WEDNESDAY/OCT. 9

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### SATURDAY/OCT. 12

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### WEDNESDAY/OCT. 16

**Meeting.** 7:30 p.m. at Fairview Elementary School, 5815 Ox Road, Fairfax Station. The Republican Women of Clifton meeting will feature Craig Rucker. Free. Visit [www.cliftongop.com](http://www.cliftongop.com) for more.

### THURSDAY/OCT. 17

**Public Hearing.** 7-9 p.m. at Little River Elementary School, 43464 Hyland Hills St., South Riding. Listen to ideas on Braddock/Pleasant Valley. Free. Contact [meeting\\_comments@vdot.virginia.gov](mailto:meeting_comments@vdot.virginia.gov) for information.

### FRIDAY/OCT. 18

**Fellowship Dinner.** Reception at 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. at Fairfax Marriott at Fair Oaks. Hosted by Western Fairfax Christian Ministries, the keynote speaker is Star Parker, the founder and president of the Center for Urban Renewal and Education, a non-profit think tank which promotes market-based public policy to fight poverty. Visit [www.wfcmva.org](http://www.wfcmva.org) to make a reservation.

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# Chantilly High To Present 'Evita.'

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ate, authoritative, a bit self-centered, generous and loving. "She's charming, but can also be manipulative," said Mason. "She's confident, knows what she wants and is willing to do what it takes to get it."

Calling this part "a blast," Mason said it's "daunting because she was an actual person. So I did lots of research to see how she moved and spoke. It's the most dramatic role I've ever played, and I like putting my acting skills to the test to take her from ages 15-33."

Her favorite song's the iconic "Don't Cry for Me, Argentina," which she sings while wearing a huge, white dress and looking down from a balcony. "It's a love song from her to Argentina, and it's touching and extremely intimate — which she's not known for," said Mason. "So it's interesting to see her show her emotions and vulnerability."

"Evita's" such a dramatic show, she said, that "I think everyone will love seeing this amazing spectacle. With the music, costumes and scenery, it's an epic-type production and a huge undertaking for high-school performers."

Portraying Che Guevara is junior Michael Mason (no relation to Amanda). "He was an Argentine Marxist who helped organize the Cuban revolution and Cuban Missile Crisis and was good friends with Castro,"

said Mason. "He's an embodiment of the people, narrates the story and, somewhat, is Eva's conscience."

Mason said Guevara "criticizes Eva because she's not a great political leader and views her as a hypocrite who doesn't follow the ideals she says she has. So Che provides his own view of what she's really like beneath the glamour and fame."

He's enjoying his role because "I get to be sarcastic and mean and sing interesting and entertaining songs." He likes his number, "And the Money Kept Rolling In," because it's "really high-energy, challenging vocally, fast and upbeat." Mason said the show has a variety of musical genres and the audience will love every song.

Senior Austin Vassallo plays Juan Peron. "He was a military colonel who becomes president of Argentina," said Vassallo. "He meets Evita at a charity concert and falls in love. He's kind and for the people, and he fights for Evita when the aristocracy and military don't like her. He stands by her, his whole life."

Vassallo said he gets "a sense of power giving speeches to lots of people from a balcony. And working with Amanda is great — she's really talented. It's also my first, big role at Chantilly, so it's exciting." His favorite song is "She's a Diamond," his main solo. "It's when things are going bad, but

Juan stands by Eva when others aren't," he said. "I really get into that song and feel it."

Vassallo called the story "powerful and moving, with the revolution, and Eva's rise to power is inspiring. And the big ensemble numbers are awesome and fun to watch."

Portraying Augustin Magaldi is junior Jason Saitta. "He's the show's 'heartthrob,'" said Saitta. "Eva used men to make her way to the top, and he was the first man with a substantial amount of power that she did this to. He's a suave, tango singer and a really sleazy guy." "I couldn't think of a better character to play," continued Saitta. "I feel I can fit myself into his shoes. It can be challenging, at times; but overall, it's really fun." He also likes his song, "On this Night of 1,000 Stars," because "it's a tango and comedic relief the way Magaldi over-exaggerates as much as possible."

Saitta also praised the show's tech crew. Mia Rickenbach designed the set and, said Saitta, "The attention to detail is incredible. She even has Juan Peron for President' posters." Scenes take place inside a 1930s Argentinian bar and the president's mansion, plus on a balcony.

"And we have a great sound and light crew, plus hair and makeup people to pull it all together," he added. "It's going to be an amazing show."

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Firefighters and paramedics will have displays and activities emphasizing fire safety, and children will be able to explore fire engines and ambulances. Locally, stations participating are Centreville Station 17 on Old Centreville Road, West Centreville Station 38 at Stone Road and ODay Drive, Station 15 on Walney Road in Chantilly, and Station 21 on Route 50 in Fair Oaks.

## Clifton Day: Oct. 13

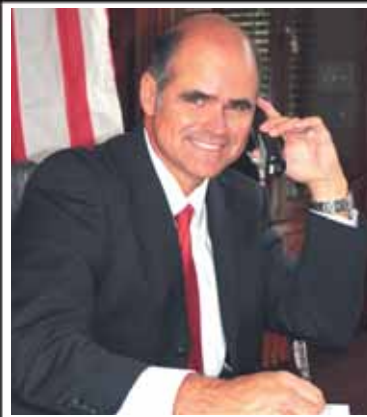
Featuring everything from a strolling bagpiper to a woman on a unicycle — plus handmade crafts, antiques, pony rides, children's activities, Civil War re-enactors, live bands and food galore — the 46<sup>th</sup> annual Clifton Day is set for Sunday, Oct. 13, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. (Rain date, Oct. 20). Admission is free; parking is \$5/car (\$10 on the floodplain), with proceeds going to the town's nonprofit charities. For more information, go to [www.cliftonday.com](http://www.cliftonday.com).

## WFCCA Land-Use

The next meeting of the West Fairfax County Citizens Association (WFCCA) Land-Use Committee is Tuesday, Oct. 15, at 7 p.m., in the Sully District Governmental Center, 4900 Stonecroft Blvd., in Chantilly.

The agenda includes Centreville Presbyterian Church's proposal to add a private school for grades K-12. The panel will also hear a proposal for an assisted-living facility with a component devoted to individuals with Alzheimer's and dementia.

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# CENTREVILLE DAY

## Parade, Children's Activities, Crafts, Music and Food

### Centreville Day Festivities set for Saturday, Oct. 19.

BY BONNIE HOBBS  
CENTRE VIEW

Get ready — the 21st annual Centreville Day celebration is almost here. Slated for Saturday, Oct. 19, in Centreville's Historic District, it features a parade, music, a 5K, live entertainment, crafts, children's games and rides, food — who's up for fried Oreos? — and fun for all ages.

"People should come to Centreville Day to celebrate, relax and enjoy a great community event," said event Chairman Cheryl Repetti. "The Centreville Day Planning Committee makes a conscious effort to create lots of free activities that families can enjoy without spending a small fortune to keep the kids entertained. We hope it also encourages people to patronize the businesses in our marketplace and get an early start on their holiday shopping."

#### ZOMBIE SLOUCH

The fun kicks off at 9 a.m. with the second annual Zombie Slouch Family 5K Fun Run and Walk, outside St. John's Episcopal Church, 5649 Mount Gilead Road in Centreville. Race check-in starts at 8 a.m. at the church.

The event benefits the DC Candlelighters

Childhood Cancer Foundation, dedicated to supporting families with children who are battling cancer or have been treated for cancer. And runners, walker and pets are encouraged to come in Halloween or historical costumes.

Besides awards given to the fastest male, female and child under 12, prizes will be given for the most creative adult costume and most creative child costume. Registration is \$25 for runners; \$20, walkers; and \$60, families, until Oct. 18, via [www.DCcandlelighters.org](http://www.DCcandlelighters.org) or [www.CentrevilleVA.org](http://www.CentrevilleVA.org).

Participants will go from St. John's to Wharton Lane to Pickwick Road, turning onto Leland Road to Colin Powell Elementary. They'll turn around there and return west along Leland to Pickwick, to Braddock and then to Mt. Gilead and the finish line at St. John's.

#### PARADE

A Centreville Day tradition for 21 years, the parade is organized and overseen by the veterans of American Legion Post 1995 and now boasts a new route and later start time. Costumes, pets, floats, decorated bicycles and scooters, and other inventive entries are welcome. Registration is free at [www.CentrevilleVA.org](http://www.CentrevilleVA.org).

Parade participants will gather at the end of Wharton Lane at 11:15 a.m. and begin their journey shortly before noon. They'll proceed west on Wharton into the heart of the Historic District, passing the stage, con-

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The Chantilly Academy Air Force JROTC Color Guard will again be in the parade.

### Making Centreville a Hometown

Centreville Day Chairman Cheryl Repetti explains what Centreville Day means to her and why local residents should attend.

Pat Lawless, one of the people who founded Centreville Day, used to say Centreville Day helped make Centreville a "hometown," and I believe that's true. That's what this year's theme is about, "Preserving the Past to Enrich the Future." If you know the history of a place, it helps connect you to it and helps make it "home" in a way that means more than the place you happen to sleep most nights.

Like most people who live in Centreville today, I wasn't born here; but knowing the history — and seeing the historic buildings and sites that are still here — enriches my feeling that this is my home now. It lets me see more clearly my place in this community, now and in the future.

Centreville Day also celebrates the present and the future Centreville. It's a great opportunity to come out and see and meet the folks who are your neighbors and are part of this community, even if they don't live in your particular neighborhood.

It's also a great opportunity to meet the businesses and organizations that work in the community. Not that we don't welcome folks from all over, but there is a solid cadre of local businesses, local churches, crafters, home sales folks and so forth.

Similarly, at the Showmobile stage, you get to see a lot of local talent, mostly young people. I think it's really wonderful to see how many young people and adults participate in the performing arts, and it's great to give them a chance to perform.

Many of those who live and work here help us organize Centreville Day. Come to the event and you'll see our Gold Sponsors, Greg and Christina Caldwell, handing out wrist bands for free children's rides. But what you don't see is that one of their employees, Cindy Ayer, comes to all our planning meetings.

Mark Reynolds at Sign-a-Rama not only makes our signs, he and his colleague Tom came out and put up the banner for us. Raul Berrios of RulyScapes bush-hogs the vendor parking area and his daughter Sarah sings the National Anthem for us. The ladies at Alpha Delta Kappa, the gentlemen of American Legion Post 1995, Karen Waltman, Meg Crossett, Marla Gebaide, Jim Daniels, Ted McCord, our 18<sup>th</sup> century swordmaster, Charlie Anderson: these people come to our committee and bring not only themselves and their skills, but their networks, and we build the day from there.

Organizing Centreville Day is a lot like those old Mickey Rooney-Judy Garland movies where Mickey says, "Come on kids, let's put on a play!" All these people come together and work with a common purpose and make it happen.

It's a lot of work, and, because we want to make the day a success, it can be stressful at times; but it's also — and this may sound corny — inspiring. And that's what being part of a community, of a hometown, is: inspiring.

— CHERYL REPETTI,  
CHAIRMAN, CENTREVILLE DAY



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G&C Tire & Auto owners Greg and Christina Caldwell sponsor the free children's rides at Centreville Day.



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Some of last year's attendees in the Centreville Historic District.

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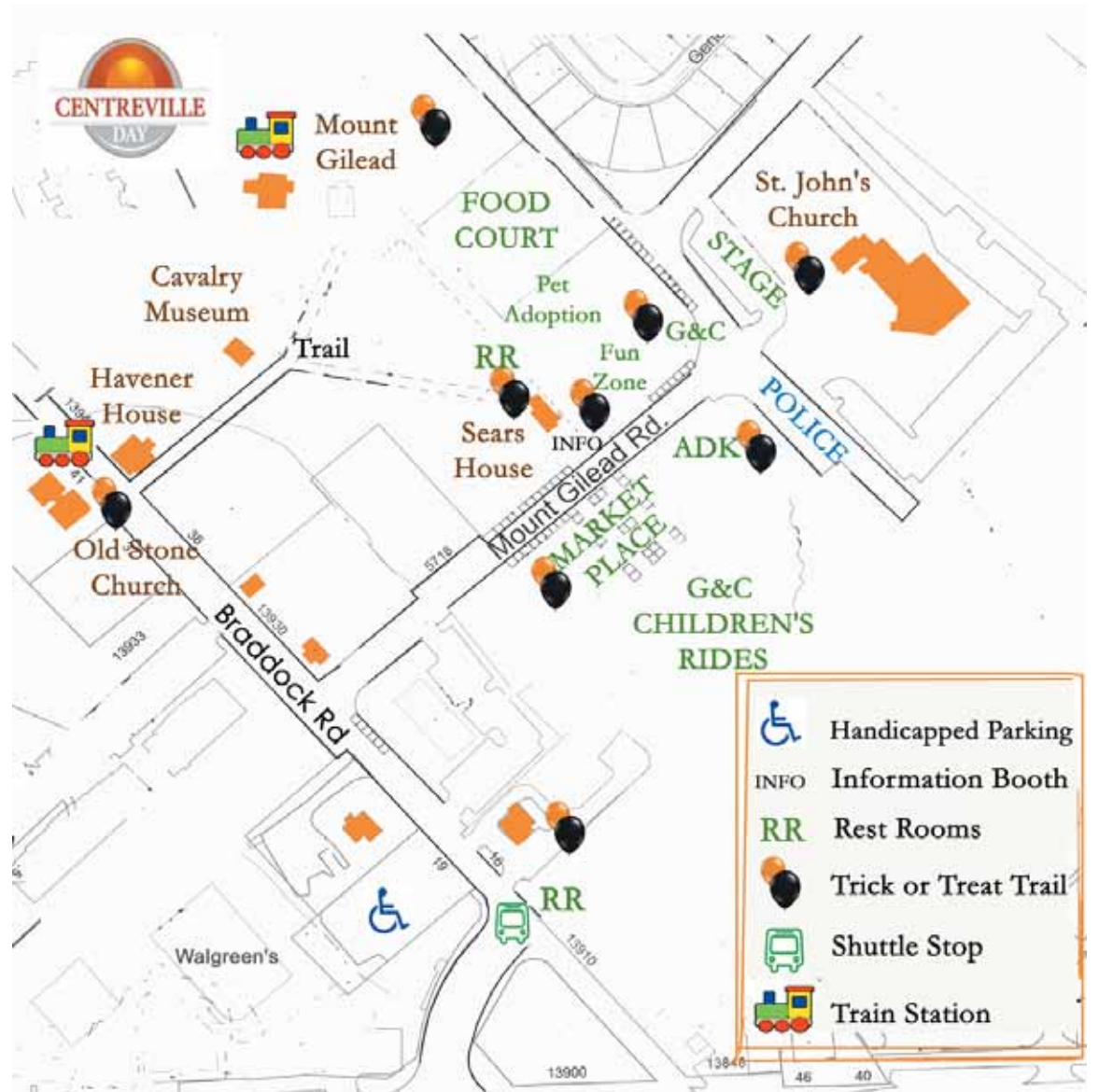


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## Centreville Day Fun for All

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tinuing along Mount Gilead and Braddock roads, winding up at Braddock and Pickwick roads.

Prizes will be awarded in various categories, including Most Patriotic and Most Enthusiastic groups, and the public is encouraged to line the parade route and cheer on the participants. Fire engines from Centreville Volunteer Fire Station 17 will lead the parade, followed by the Chantilly Academy Air Force JROTC Color Guard.

Other parade entries include SYA cheerleaders, members of the Chantilly Academy Air Force JROTC, Girl Scout and Brownie troops, Burke VFW, G&C Automotive and Centreville Dance Theatre. There's still time to join the parade. Registration is requested, but there are no fees.

Download a form at [www.centrevilleva.org/content/orgs/48100001/1830/file\\_2754.pdf](http://www.centrevilleva.org/content/orgs/48100001/1830/file_2754.pdf) or contact parade Chairman Steve Hunter at [goeshunter@gmail.com](mailto:goeshunter@gmail.com).

### PARKING, VOLUNTEERING

Centreville Day runs from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. in His-

toric Centreville Park in the Centreville Historic District, 5714 Mount Gilead Road. The theme is "Preserving the Past to Enrich the Future."

Admission is free, and free remote parking will be at the Trinity Centre, 5860 Trinity Parkway. Shuttle buses provided by Centreville Baptist Church will take people to and from the festivities in the Historic District.

This event is organized by the Friends of Historic Centreville in partnership with the Fairfax County Park Authority and the Centreville Day Planning Committee. It helps raise money for historic preservation and Historic Centreville Park. More information is at [www.centrevilleva.org](http://www.centrevilleva.org).

Students and Scouts may obtain service hours by volunteering at Centreville Day. Sign up at [www.CentrevilleVA.org](http://www.CentrevilleVA.org) and

click on the green button for a variety of jobs on the day of the event. Or contact volunteer coordinator Karen Waltman at [volunteer@centrevilleva.org](mailto:volunteer@centrevilleva.org).

### NEW THIS YEAR

New features of Centreville Day 2013 include a climbing wall, mini history train, tight-rope walker,



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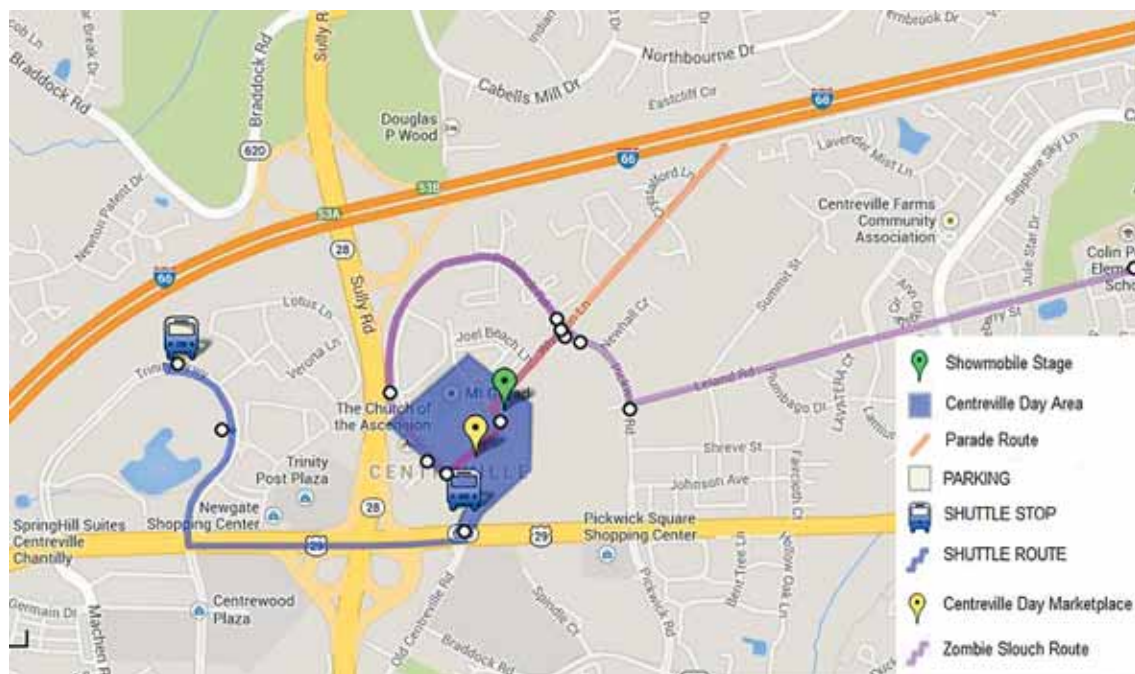
**Pets in costume are welcome in both the Zombie Slouch and parade.**

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## Shuttle, Parade and Race map



## Entertainment Lineup

Performing on the Showmobile Stage in the Centreville Historic District will be:

- ❖ 11 a.m. - Creative Dance Center - jazz, tap and lyrical dance.
  - ❖ 11:30 a.m. - Dawn King's Not Just Dance.
  - ❖ 12:30 p.m. - The Alliance Theatre - performing songs from its upcoming, November show, "The Little Mermaid Jr."
  - ❖ 1 p.m. - Centreville Dance Theatre.
  - ❖ 1:30 p.m. - Stephon Morton's NOVA Wushu Academy.
  - ❖ 2 p.m. - DJ Myra Flemister will play music and interact with the crowd.
  - ❖ 2:45 p.m. - Harmony Road Music.
  - ❖ 3:15 p.m. - Hallelujah Mission Tae Kwon Do demonstration.
- Additional performers to be announced will fill the late-afternoon slots.



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**Creative Dance Center's Performing Troupe will again entertain.**

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## Centreville Day Brings People Together in Fun

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pet adoption and nZone Fun Zone. Three new historic signs describing the history of the Newgate Tavern will be dedicated. Gourmet dumplings, hot coffee, hot chocolate, fruit smoothies and fried Oreos are new at the food court.

### AWARDS, ENTERTAINMENT

Opening ceremonies are at 10:30 a.m. Westfield High sophomore Sara Berrios returns to sing the National Anthem. Supervisor Michael R. Frey (R-Sully) will present the Centreville Day Citizen of the Year and other awards.

DJ Myra Flemister leads a lineup of local talent on the Showmobile Stage, beginning with the Creative Dance Center's Performing Troupe doing an energetic show of jazz, tap and lyrical dance. Next will be Dawn King's Not Just Dance, followed by The Alliance Theatre performing songs from its upcoming show, "The Little Mermaid Jr."

Other entertainers will include the Centreville Dance Theatre, NOVA Wushu Academy, Harmony Road Music and Hallelujah Mission Tae Kwon Do.

### SHOPPING, CRAFTS

The community marketplace will offer a wide array of items from crafters, businesses, churches and other organizations. Handmade crafts range from jewelry by Brenap Jewelry and Vintage Star, to American Doll clothes and pillows from Lisa Reilly, wooden items created by Kenyon's Designs,

clothing from Original Jean Creations and Lee Ann Designs, plus nursing wear for new moms. Local businesses will also help attendees remodel their homes, find new ones, improve their health and manage their finances.

### FOOD

A food court features local restaurants and festival fare, including dumplings from Food Is Good, street tacos from Coyote Grill and a variety of barbecue items from Smokes BBQ. Mrs. P's Concessions will offer funnel cakes, hot dogs and hamburgers, and Chick-Fil-A will provide chicken sandwiches. Tinsley's Novelty Drinks will sell hot, gourmet coffees plus fruit smoothies and snacks including fried fudgy pies and fried Oreos.

### CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Gold Sponsor G & C Tire & Auto is again providing wristbands for free children's rides. The fun includes a climbing wall for older children and a fire-engine moonbounce for younger ones.

Attendees are encouraged to don Halloween costumes and follow the Trick or Treat Trail through the Historic District and marketplace. Stop at Virginia Heritage Bank's table to pick up a bag for collecting treats.

Korean Central Presbyterian Church will again offer cotton candy. Many other sponsors and vendors are also participating in the Trick or Treat Trail. Look for the pumpkin sign and stop at the information booth,

at Mount Gilead, the Old Stone Church, and the Spindle Sears House.

Miss Charlotte and other women of Alpha Delta Kappa will return to the children's area with their Faces of Centreville contest, as well as old-fashioned activities such as tug of war, sack races, making pot holders, knitting and reading stories. They'll also give away gently used children's books while supplies last.

Face painting will be available and, next to the Spindle Sears House, the nZone Fun Zone will offer corn-hole games, ladder ball, Jenga, Legos, a water duck game, craft activities, coloring and balloons.

### SPONSORS

Sponsors include G & C Auto, Korean Central Presbyterian Church, Virginia Heritage Bank, Apple Federal Credit Union, Burke & Herbert Bank, Kiddie Academy, Remax Elegance, Centreville Preschool Inc., Bryan Hunt CPA, Centre View, Village Storage, Fairfax County Park Authority, Centreville Sign-a-Rama, RulyScapes, Republic Services, the Trinity Centre and Centre Square Professional Park. Wellspring Church provides DJ Myra Flemister, and the Historic Centreville Society sponsors the Swordmasters of the 18th Century.

### PET ADOPTION

People may find their "fur-ever friend" at Centreville Day. The Friends of Homeless Animals will hold a pet adoption under the trees between the Spindle Sears House and

the food court, near the nZone Fun Zone.

### HISTORICAL ACTIVITIES

At 2 p.m., three new historical signs will be dedicated at the Newgate Tavern site on Braddock Road. Attendees may also take a ride on the Park Authority's mini history train and discover the treasures of Centreville's Historic District. The guided ride will travel between "stations" at Mount Gilead and the Old Stone Church; tickets are \$3.

A van tour of Civil War Centreville for ages 12 and up will start from Ellanor C. Lawrence Park at 1 p.m. It features the Stuart-Mosby Museum, Mount Gilead and Centreville's Civil War fortifications. Register at [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/ecl](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/ecl).

For those preferring a walking tour, Ghost Tours will meet at the Spindle Sears House at 5714 Mount Gilead Road. These not-so-scary tours examine the stories of ghosts, murder and lost love. Check the Centreville Day website or stop by the information booth for further details.

On the Mount Gilead lawn, discover tight-rope-walker extraordinaire Jody Evans. Or take part in hands-on activities including candle-dipping and making quill pens and walnut ink. In addition, The Swordmasters of the 18th Century — Charlie Anderson and his son John — will offer fencing lessons.

On Braddock Road, the Old Stone Church and the Stuart-Mosby Cavalry Museum will be open for tours. Enjoy a Ploughman's lunch or purchase baked treats at the church, or chat informally with the knowledgeable docents at the museum.




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## SPORTS



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Mason Scoville and the Westfield football team will travel to face Centreville on Friday, Oct. 11.

### Centreville Football To Host Westfield

The Centreville football team will host Westfield at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 11 in a battle of teams ranked in the Washington Post's top 10.

Centreville is undefeated and ranked No. 3, behind DeMatha and Quince Orchard. The Wildcats have dominated opponents during their 5-0 start, beating West Potomac, T.C. Williams, Hayfield, West Springfield and Chantilly by a combined score of 244-30. Last week, the Wildcats opened conference play with a 42-0 victory against Chantilly.

Westfield is 4-1 and ranked No. 8. The Bulldogs' lone defeat was a 28-24 loss to Lake Braddock, which is ranked No. 4. Last week, Westfield beat Stone Bridge 30-6.

### Westfield, Chantilly Field Hockey Playing Well

The Westfield field hockey team improved to 13-2 with a 7-1 victory against Herndon on Oct. 8. The Bulldogs are ranked No. 4 in the Washington Post's top 10.

Westfield will travel to face Robinson on Oct. 17.

Chantilly lost to Robinson 1-0 on Monday, but Chargers' record is 10-4 — an improvement over last year's 8-9-1 campaign.

Chantilly will travel to face Herndon at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 10

### SCHOOL NOTES

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The following high school seniors from Westfield High School were named semifinalists in the National Merit Scholarship Program: **Gregory Colella, Benjamin Potts, Brandon Sanchez, Michael Sander** and **Elise Yang**.

**Ami Patel** of Fairfax, received her white coat at the White Coat Ceremony for the Class of 2017 at Lincoln Memorial University-DeBusk College of Osteopathic Medicine (LMU-DCOM) in Harrogate, Tenn. Patel is a first-year osteopathic medical student at LMU-DCOM. Prior to enrolling at LMU-DCOM, Patel attended College of William and Mary.

James Madison University's nationally recognized marching band, the Marching Royal Dukes, begin their

### Chantilly Football Blanked by Centreville

The Chantilly football team lost to Centreville 42-0 on Oct. 4.

The Chargers have lost two straight after a 3-0 start. Chantilly has allowed 39 points per game during their last three contests.

Chantilly (3-2) will host Oakton (4-1) at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 11.

### Centreville Hosts Cross Country Meet

For the first time in more than 10 years, Centreville High School was able to host a home cross country meet. With the ability to use their new turf fields, updated track and Braddock Park, the Wildcats competed against Chantilly and Oakton. Conference rivals Robinson, Westfield and Herndon competed again one another at the same venue.

For the boys, Centreville won their tri-meet, with sophomore Ryan French winning their meet. The Robinson boys won the other tri-meet, although Westfield senior Nick O'Connell ran away from the entire six-team field for the victory in that contest. On the girls' side, Centreville and Robinson were the team winners in each meet. Centreville sophomore Kayley Bogemann led wire-to-wire for the tri-meet and overall victory. The other tri-meet winner was Robinson sophomore Caroline Augelli.

season with 485 members, the largest in their history. The following students are members of the 2013 Marching Royal Dukes: **Kamille Aiello** of Herndon, is a junior, majoring in psychology and plays in the clarinet section. **Holly Doherty** of Herndon, is a junior, majoring in earth science and plays in the trombone section. **Ryan Doherty** of Herndon, is a freshman, majoring in music education and plays in the trombone section. **Kristin Fish** of Oak Hill, is a senior, majoring in graphic design and plays in the dukette section. **Bethany Johnson** of Oak Hill, is majoring in and plays in the dukette section. **Hilary Kurland** of Herndon, is a graduate student, majoring in biology and plays in the guard section. **Celine Serrano** of Fairfax, is a freshman, majoring in undeclared and plays in the percussion - front ensemble section. **Taylor Townshend** of Herndon, is a junior, majoring in marketing and plays in the dukette section. **Ryan Trexler** of Chantilly, is a sophomore, majoring in marketing and plays in the trumpet section.

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## Zumbathon To Benefit WFCM

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And, added Bush, the need for help in the local area is quite significant. “It’s hard to believe that, in wealthy Fairfax County, around 70,000 children and adults do not know where their next meal will come from,” she said. “WFCM works in our communities to give hard-working, yet struggling, individuals and families the support they need to catch up on bills and stay in their homes.”

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Joedicke-Lawrence is looking forward to the event, too. “Zumba is so much fun because you work out to music,” she said.



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**Kelly Joedicke-Lawrence**

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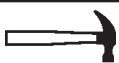
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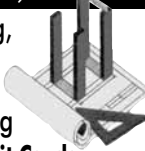


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## Farther Away But Still Close



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

I went to visit my father the other day – at the cemetery – September 23rd was his birthday. He would have been 94. I had no trouble finding him; he was in his usual spot next to my mother of course, also deceased. My father often joked about his cemetery plot: he wanted an aisle so if he had to get up in the middle of the night for a glass of water, he wouldn't disturb my mother. Presumably, when I stand over his grave and blather on about stuff – most regularly about my life living with cancer, I am not disturbing him. I really don't know for sure since I receive very little feedback. It's always quiet there, other than when I'm speaking. But I wouldn't expect anything else; after all, it's a cemetery. Libraries are noisy by comparison.

My father has been gone now nearly seven years, since December 2006. (My mother died two years later, nearly to the day.) Hardly has he ever been forgotten though. I was an extremely lucky child. I had a great father who was devoted to his family: me, my brother Richard and my mother, Ceil. There wasn't anything he wouldn't do for any of us. I miss him terribly, especially during baseball season. He loved the Boston Red Sox and was fortunate, unlike some others his age (born in 1919) to have actually witnessed a World Series Championship in his lifetime (1918 was the last Championship until 2004). There are New Englanders who during their particular 86 years of life (the actual length of the "Curse of the Bambino") – or less, never celebrated a Championship; he did in 2004. With the Red Sox back in the playoffs this year for the first time in four years, my father's memory looms large; (heck, he was a member of a "knothole gang," attending games as a child during the Great Depression).

And though I readily admit I haven't had any two-way conversations with him at the cemetery, I have had – and continue to have, although less frequently than in previous years, the occasional dream where he appears or is present somehow. I don't recall any real interactions of late: touching, conversing, interacting, etc. In the past, however, there have been a few dreams where there was definite acknowledgment of one another, touching even, and a feeling that our connection was still intact. I don't know that I feel anything like that when I visit him at the cemetery now. But given the fact that he's buried a few feet below where I typically – and respectfully, stand (off to the side, actually), his physical proximity to me there almost trumps the cerebral-type dream interactions that we've shared since his death. I wouldn't want to have to choose between the two. I like experiencing both. I hope he does as well.

My parents are resting peacefully approximately 20 minutes by car from my house. And though neither one is still alive, they both live on inside of me. I don't think I could have survived having stage IV non-small lung cancer (a terminal diagnosis) for as long as I have without their wisdom and encouragement – in life and in death. I'm lucky still.

## POLITICS

# Candidates Spar at Forum

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ending the government shutdown that is undermining Virginia's economy," said McAuliffe. "It's the obligation of Virginians to send a message to Washington. A government shutdown should never be a bargaining chip."

**WITH ELECTION DAY** only four weeks away, candidates and their advisors are preparing for the most intense and high-stakes portion of the race. Both of the major-party candidates are responding to that dynamic by trying to frame their opposition in the most negative way possible. That leaves Libertarian candidate Robert Sarvis rising in the polls as his opponents take shots at each other. After McAuliffe and Cuccinelli finished Sunday evening, Sarvis offered a critical review. "A lot of negative attacks. Not a whole lot of substance," said Sarvis, who is polling at about 10 percent support. "And if you want to see dysfunction of voting out of fear for the lesser of two evils, look at the federal government right now."

After the candidates were finished making their pitches, many of the voters had a hard time processing what they heard. The stump speeches left many wondering what the candidates would do if elected. Many of the voters at the Annandale forum said they felt the tone of the campaign had become distractingly negative, a series of attacks and counter-attacks that left many feeling isolated from the process.

"Politics has become a blame game," said Deborah Williams of Fairfax City. "They are always talking about what the other candidate is and how that's not working, but they never say how they can fix it or what is going to lead to fixing it."

**RECENT POLLS** have shown a clear and growing lead for McAuliffe, with the Democrat running five to seven percentage points ahead of the Republicans. That lead grows even larger if the Libertarian is included in the polls, giving the Democrat an eight-point lead in one poll. Republicans reject the idea that their candidates are in trouble, though. When asked about polling numbers, McConville said Republicans seem more motivated than the Democrats.

"I think that there's a lack of feeling of that same kind of excitement on the McAuliffe side," said McConville. "He's obviously a problematic candidate."

Democrats say they feel national Republicans have delivered an October surprise that has harmed their side, the government shutdown. On the campaign trail and in interviews, Democrats are making the case that Cuccinelli and the Republican ticket are aligned with obstructionists in Washington.

"I feel that Ken Cuccinelli is at a desperate point in his campaign," said Del. Charniele Herring (D-46), who is chairwoman of the Democratic Party of Virginia. "He attacked Terry time and time again instead of talking about what he would do for Virginia."



# Family Celebrates 50th Foster Puppy

**W**hat does the Fairfax County Animal Shelter do when it takes in an extremely young animal, one too young to adopt out? It finds a foster family willing to take on the responsibility of nurturing the sometimes days-old animal until it is old enough to be adopted permanently.

Recently a long-time volunteer at the Fairfax County Animal Shelter, Teri Baker, of Fairfax, celebrated fostering her 50th puppy. The vast majority of those puppies are American Pit Bull Terriers — a breed surrounded by controversy and misinformation.

Baker noticed that many pit bull puppies were coming in, but few were being fostered. She saw a need and stepped in to fill it. And she says it evolved from stepping in to meet a need to something she and her husband Doug Baker absolutely love to do.

“There is a mythology that they are more aggressive than other dogs, that they bite more than ‘normal’ dogs ... they’re just dogs ... very smart dogs,” said Baker. She acknowledges that there are specific challenges that they incur with pit bull puppies as they working on printing and bonding with the dogs, “For example, we teach the puppies never to put their mouths on us.”

“It’s very satisfying to know in a small way we have started a lifetime of unconditional love for the adopting family and that’s what keeps us going.”

Tawny Hammond, director of the Fairfax County Animal Shelter praises Baker’s efforts and commitment, “Volunteers are the engine that drives the shelter and helps us achieve our mission. Without volunteers we couldn’t do what we need to do.”



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**Fairfax County Chief of Police Edwin Roessler thanks Teri Baker, of Fairfax, for her long commitment to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter in celebration of her 50th foster puppy. Says Roessler of Baker’s efforts, “Volunteers make the difference here at the shelter.”**

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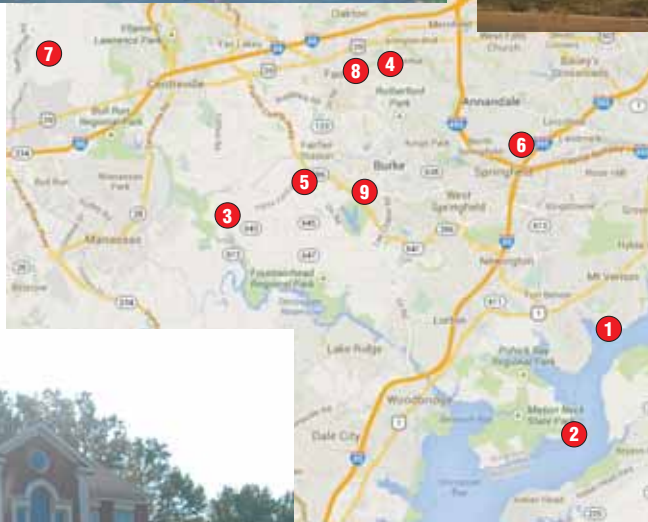
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# Decorating for Fall

Local designers offer suggestions for bringing the harvest into your home.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL  
CENTRE VIEW

The colors of autumn are all around as pumpkins and squash fill produce stands and leaves change from green to orange, red and yellow before falling from their branches.

Local designers and tastemakers are unveiling home accents that bring the warm hues of the season into the home. Whether using pillows, throws or flowers, adding the colors and textures of fall requires less effort than one might expect.

“Emerald green, orange and turquoise are three of the biggest color trends we’re seeing,” said Marcus Browning of European Country Living in Old Town Alexandria. “Throws and pillows are a given, but you can also tie in traditional and modern accessories with rugs, stained glass lamps with modern or intricate designs.”

Small trays provide a canvas for highlighting color and adding functionality to a room, says Marika Meyer of Marika Meyer Interiors in Bethesda, Md. “Color and pattern are in right now,” she said. “I just purchased the C. Wonder (<http://www.cwonder.com>) navy and white chevron tray for my home. It adds a punch of color and freshness to a room. Preppy is back in a big way, too, offering lots of patterns.”

Potomac, Md., based interior designer Sharon Kleinman of Transitions by Sharon Kleinman uses flowers to add warmth to a room. “I love mums,” she said. “I put them on my kitchen island and on the hearth in my family room. I fill my yard and home with them. They offer such great fall color. I plant them in my flowerbeds and put them in pots on my



PHOTOS COURTESY OF THE NEST EGG

Ann O’Shields, of The Nest Egg in Fairfax, says hand-blown glass pumpkins are a great way to add a touch of fall to one’s home.

front porch.”

For those who don’t want the maintenance of fresh flowers, Browning suggests their fabric counterpart. “Great silk flowers are nice to put in corners of side boards,” he said. “If you have a brown table, colored candle stick holders add a lot of great color.”

Pumpkins, which are ubiquitous this time of year, are also one of Kleinman’s fall accessories of choice. “I add them to the display of mums on my porch,” she said. “I have a large ceramic pumpkin ... that I put on my kitchen table surrounded by real, tiny pumpkins, gourds and squash. I use that centerpiece from early October right through November.”

David Mitchell of David Mitchell Interior Design in Washington used a similar style concept at a McLean home recently. “Wooden bowls are a great way to bring in seasonal accessories,” said Mitchell. “Pottery Barn has large, vintage, carved wood bowls that are great for a sideboard or coffee table, and you can fill them with mini pumpkins to add a dash of orange to a neutral space.”

Ann O’Shields, of The Nest Egg in Fairfax, said, “Hand-blown glass pumpkins are extremely popular and a great way to add a classic touch of fall in your home.”

Make use of fall foliage both inside and outside of your home, advises O’Shields. “Wreaths for fall are

abundant, featuring leaves and small pumpkins, and are a great way to set the stage for fall décor,” she said. “Mantel decorating ... is an easy way to create a focal point for fall in a room. Add leaves, fall candles, pumpkins and more to liven up a room.”

Incorporating the hues of fall into a home’s existing décor can help welcome the season in style. “Bringing in the colors of fall will add warmth to your home as the air gets crisper,” said O’Shields. “Orange, gold, reds and brown are all earth tones that create a feeling of fall. Adding warm throws for cooler nights and updating throw pillows are easy ways to incorporate colors for the new season.”



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**Flea Market.** 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at Oakton Baptist Church, 14001 Sullyfield Circle.

**Peaceful Paws.** 10:30 a.m. at Chantilly Regional Library, 4000

Stringfellow Road. Children on the autism spectrum or with other developmental challenges meet and read to a trained therapy dog Dakota, a gentle giant Bernese Mountain dog. Reading is not required, but can read from a library book or already owned one. Free. Registration required, 703-502-3883.

**Hidden Pond.** 2:30 p.m. at Chantilly Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. Children in grades K-6 can take a hands-on approach to find out how nature prepares for winter. Free. Registration required, 703-502-3883.

## SUNDAY/OCT. 13

**Clifton Day.** 9 a.m.-5 p.m. in Clifton.

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## SATURDAY/OCT. 19

**Zombie Slouch Family 5k Fun Run & Walk.** Check-in starts at 8 a.m. with the run at 9 a.m. at St. John's Church, 5649 Mt. Gilead Road, Centreville. Proceeds benefit D.C. Candlelighters Childhood Cancer Foundation. Strollers, dogs and costumes are welcome. Prizes for most creative. E-mail [DCCandlelighters@gmail.com](mailto:DCCandlelighters@gmail.com) for more.

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