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ESI IS TRYING TO COVER UP THEIR COAL ASH

Don't Let Them Bring Toxins To Our Community

FACTS:

- ESI has refused to commit that it will not use coal ash to construct their 70 foot wall and to cover debris at their proposed massive expansion of the Lorton Landfill.
- Coal ash contains arsenic, mercury, cadmium and a dozen other heavy metals. When exposed to rainfall and groundwater, these heavy metals can leach out of the coal dust into the environment.
- Airborne coal ash dust increases the exposure risk to area residents by this toxic material.
- Post-closure monitoring is only required for 10 years at landfills, which is an insufficient time period to measure toxic releases of heavy metals from the coal ash.
- If the Board of Supervisors approves ESI's 70' high retaining wall that is over 2 miles long, they will be able to bring millions of tons of coal ash to Fairfax County to build it.

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Meals Tax Possible for Fairfax County

Tax could generate \$88 million in revenue.

BY JANELLE GERMANOS
THE CONNECTION

At a public hearing on the 2015 budget, Fairfax County resident Kimberly Adams joined numerous other individuals who urged the Board of Supervisors to consider a meals tax.

“To have the quality of life that we’ve come to depend on in Fairfax County, we must move the needle closer to the regional average when it comes to taxes. We must not be afraid to look for new streams of revenue, such as a meals tax for instance,” Adams told the Board of Supervisors at the budget hearings. “Never have I actually thought, well, there’s a meals tax in Alexandria, so I’ll drive 10 more minutes into Fairfax and order my pizza. I go to the place that’s convenient and where I want to eat.”

Echoing the concerns of citizens like Adams, Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova announced the establishment of the meals tax referendum task force on April 22, which will study this possible source of revenue and make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors by June 17.

“Throughout the past months as this board and the community have deliberated on the advertised fiscal year 2015 budget, a number of individuals and organizations have urged us to put the question of a meals tax to the voters,” Bulova said at the meeting.

Kate Hanley and Tom Davis, former chairmen of the Board of Supervisors, will lead the task force in deciding whether a referendum for a meals tax should occur, and when this referendum would appear on the ballot.

IN VIRGINIA, counties are only able to establish a meals tax with a voter referendum.

At a rate of 4 percent, a meals tax could generate at least \$88 million. Many cities within and around Fairfax County have a meals tax.

“Several of our surrounding jurisdictions have a meals tax, but the Town of Clifton, Prince William and Loudoun counties do not. I have and will continue to be adamantly opposed to a meals tax and any referendum on this issue as it is directed at a single industry. I believe this is the wrong time to add another tax on our county residents and while some of it will be paid by visitors the bulk will be paid by our county residents,” Springfield District Supervisor Pat Herrity wrote in an email on April 30.

In April 1992, voters struck down a meals tax proposal that appeared on the ballot in Fairfax County.

“There has been a growing sentiment during recent years for our board to once again allow the voters to decide whether or not they wish to avail themselves of this additional source of revenue. Reasons for urging this include the desire to diversify the revenues we have available to fund schools, public safety, parks, libraries and human services,” Bulova said.



Kimberly Adams spoke in favor of a meals tax at the public hearings on the Fairfax County budget in early April.



Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova announced on April 22 the creation of a meals tax referendum task force.



PHOTOS BY JANELLE GERMANOS/THE CONNECTION

At the public hearings on the Fairfax County budget, several citizens urged the Board of Supervisors to consider a meals tax in order to continue to “Invest in Fairfax.”

Mount Vernon District Supervisor Gerry Hyland, who has proposed a meal tax several times in the past, said that voters need to be better informed this time as to why they should vote for the tax.

“To be quite frank, the last time we put it to referendum, there was almost silence on the side of why we were asking people to do it. Most important, the questions should be what are we going to do with the money if it passes and we have a meals tax,” Hyland said.

Adams, who is president of the Fairfax Education Association and part of the new “Invest in Fairfax” coalition, said at the budget hearings that the extra revenue is needed for Fairfax County services that citizens depend on.

“If you can afford to eat out in a nice restaurant, you can afford to pay the four percent tax,” she said.

AT A RECENT Mount Vernon-Lee Chamber of Commerce event, Lee District Supervisor Jeffrey McKay told members that Fairfax County needs to diversify its revenue and that there was pressure from school advocates to consider a meals tax.

“Will it pass if it’s put on the ballot? I don’t know. I think it’s unlikely, to tell you the truth,” McKay said at the event.

The meals tax referendum task force includes a coalition of organizations within the county, including the Mount Vernon-Lee Chamber of Commerce, the Fairfax Education Association, the Fairfax County Taxpayers Alliance, and the Federation of Citizens Associations.



PHOTO BY REENA SINGH/THE CONNECTION

The Board of Supervisors passed the county budget in a 7-3 vote.

Supervisors Pass County Budget

Three supervisors vote against the \$3.7 billion budget.

BY REENA SINGH
THE CONNECTION

Educators are not happy that the school district will receive \$64 million less than they asked for next year.

The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors passed the county’s Fiscal Year 2015 budget, which includes a 3 percent increase in the School Fund Transfer, at the April 29 meeting.

“Our official position is that the funds are just not adequate,” said Fairfax Education Association President Kimberly Adams in a previous interview. “This is going to impede our abilities to compensate our employees.”

She and several teachers attended the budget markup earlier that month to make their presence known.

Fairfax County Public Schools will receive \$1.928 billion from the county this year — an increase of 3 percent from last year. The Board of Education had asked the county for \$64 million more to continue programs and proceed with scheduled teacher pay raises.

The tax rate will rise half a cent from \$1.085 to \$1.090 per \$100 of assessed value. That means a homeowner with a property value of \$100,000 will pay \$1,090.

Non-uniformed government employees will receive an across-the-board 1 percent increase in their pay — a move that was commended by all supervisors.

The county police department, sheriff’s department, Fire and Rescue and Office of Emergency Management will receive a total of \$426,864,290 from the general fund.

There was no discussion about the supervisors’ positions after the resolution motions were made. However, once they passed, Chairman Sharon Bulova thanked her budget committee and her staff.

“This was not an easy budget, and that is an understatement,” she said.

All three of the resolutions — to formally approve the real estate property tax rate, addendums to the advertised FY 2015 budget and school fund — passed 7-3. Providence Supervisor Linda Smyth, Springfield Supervisor Pat Herrity and Braddock Supervisor John Cook voted against the resolutions. They also voted against the budget markup at the April 22 meeting.

Herrity said he is concerned about the 7 percent increase that residents will see in their taxes for the FY 2016 budget if no changes in the recommendations are made. His statement was based off of a recommendation made during the Board of Supervisor’s April 22 meeting, but there has been no official agreement to increase the taxes for that year’s budget.

“If we don’t keep our priorities straight, we’re going to tax people out of the county,” he said.

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OBITUARY

Capt. O. Neil "Putt" Putman, 91, Dies

Capt. O. Neil "Putt" Putman, 91, of New Smyrna Beach, Fla. and formerly of Springfield, passed on Friday, April 25.

He was born Oct. 10, 1922 in Yuba City, Calif. to Margaret and Clarence Putman. He attended the University of California at Berkley, Stanford University and received his Bachelor's Degree from George Washington University. He served proudly in the United States Navy for 32 years. He was a Navy pilot and made 158 landings on aircraft

carriers. He was the Commanding Officer of the destroyer USS Haverfield DER 393, the USS Frank Knox DDR742, the nuclear destroyer USS Leahy DDG-16, USS James E. Keyes and Commanding Officer of Escort Squadron 3.

While on shore duty he was aide to the Commandant of the 11th Naval District, on staff of the Chief of Naval Operations, Joint Chiefs of Staff, and project manager for programs in race, alcohol and drug rehabilitation. While in the service

he attended General Line School, Navy Law School, Armed Forces Staff College, and Naval War College.

He is survived by his wife, Kirk, and three children — Pamela Putman of Greenville, S.C.; Paige Hedgecoth (Fred) of Richmond, Va.; and Patrick Neil Putman of Harrisonburg, Va.; his four grandchildren — Mason Hedgecoth of New York City, N.Y.; Sara Hedgecoth Pecora (Brian) of Richmond, Va.; Alexi Papapieris



(Meredith) and Nicholas Papapieris of Chicago, Ill.

Neil led a Boy Scout troop for several years and was a volunteer at a local junior high school helping children with math and computer science. After retiring from the Navy he taught math at Harper Preparatory School in Maryland for ten years. He volunteered at the local high school, helped with St John's River Authority, was president of Springfield Country Club for two years.

AREA ROUNDUPS

First Virginia Community Bank Celebrates Grand Opening

First Virginia Community Bank (FVCbank) is hosting a grand celebration for the opening of its new branch in Springfield. The branch formally opened Dec. 2 on the 6500 block of Backlick Road.

Springfield branch manager Pati Gambino, a 45-year veteran of the area banking industry, has spent 35 years serving the Springfield community throughout her career. Senior Vice President Todd Lattimer, with 36 years in the banking industry, will run the branch's commercial lending efforts. He has served as president of the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce, president of Springfield-Franconia Lions Club and chairman of the Northern Virginia Young Bankers Section of the Virginia Bankers Association.

The Grand Opening Events will be held on Friday, May 9, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the FVCbank Springfield Branch, 6975 Springfield Boulevard. The community is invited to attend and celebrate with FVCbank executive leadership, branch staff, other community members and local business leaders such as Supervisor Jeff McKay (D-Lee).

Public Meetings on Noise Ordinances, Group Assembly

Public meetings on proposed Fairfax County changes to the noise ordinance and group assembly rules in residential dwellings will occur throughout the month of May.

The Fairfax County Zoning Administration Division is proposing the group assembly changes which "will limit the number of persons and frequency of large gatherings at a home," according to a Fairfax County press release.

The proposed change states that "group assembly when accessory to a dwelling unit shall be permitted, except any group assembly exceeding forty-nine (49) people in one day shall not occur more frequently than three (3) times in any forty (40) day period."

The meetings are Wednesday, May 7 at South County Government Center Main Conference Room, Monday, May 12 at Fairfax County Government Center Board Room, and Monday, May 19 at Lemon Road Elementary School Cafeteria.

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Pam Johnson, who is legally blind, suffered a devastating accident at her home when a giant oak tree fell on the roof and through her house in Springfield.

Helping a Neighbor in Need

Paul Davis Restoration & Remodeling of Suburban Virginia donates construction services to Springfield woman.

Paul Davis Restoration & Remodeling of Suburban Virginia has donated emergency mitigation and reconstruction services to Pam Johnson, a longtime homeowner in Springfield. Johnson, who is legally blind, suffered a devastating accident at her home when a giant oak tree fell on the roof and through her house. Alexis Golkin, co-owner of the local Paul Davis franchise heard about the damage on local media. The office crews immediately offered their services to Johnson at no charge with tarping the home, helping to remove the tree, and repairing the damage so that the home would be able to withstand weather events. The Paul Davis team also provided additional help with roof area demolition, stabilization and structural repairs along with restoration work in other rooms of the house.

According to Andrew Golkin, Paul Davis' co-owner and vice president, his company's PD Cares - Helping a Neighbor in Need program identifies individuals and organizations in need and provides construction work for those with physical or financial limitations. PD Cares is the charitable division of Paul Davis Restoration & Remodeling of Suburban Vir-

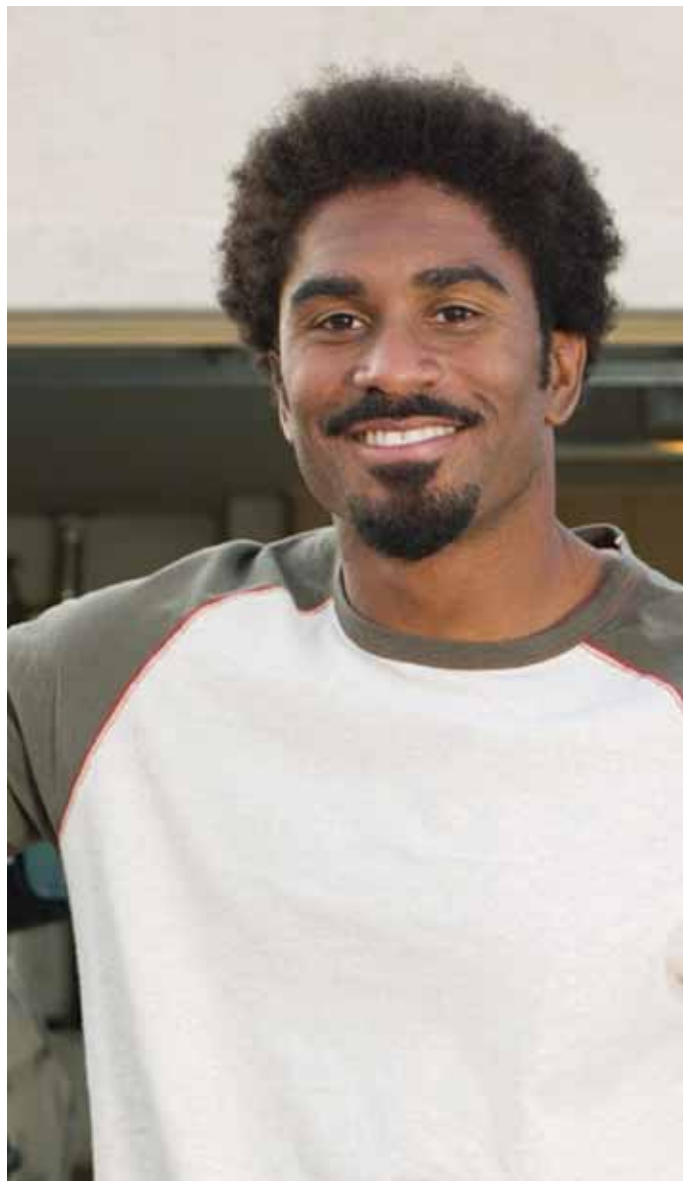
ginia. Other local companies also helped Johnson with donated services to reconstruct her home.

"We are honored to have helped Pam with securing and repairing her home and to create a safe and clean environment," said Andrew Golkin. "We work with customers everyday during some of the most stressful times in their lives. Our specialization is in residential and commercial loss mitigation, reconstruction, restoration, contents cleaning, and remodeling. However, it is important for us to give back to those in need," he said.

The Golkin family has owned and operated the Paul Davis office since 1997. The business is located at 8773 Virginia Meadows Drive in Manassas. For more information call 703-335-2424 or visit www.pdrvirginia.com.



The local Paul Davis franchise office heard about Pam Johnson's property damage on local media. The office crews immediately offered their services to Ms. Johnson at no charge with tarping the home, helping to remove the tree, and repairing the damage so that the home would be able to withstand weather events.



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Yes to the Meals Tax Referendum

Voters could decide on the tax in November.

Economic diversification is worthy goal. All of your eggs shouldn't be in one basket. All of your revenue shouldn't come from one source.

In Fairfax County, adding a meals tax at the same level as Arlington, Alexandria, Falls Church and the City of Fairfax, 4 percent, could generate \$88 million a year. The county estimates that 25-30 percent of the meals taxes collected would be paid by non-county residents.

The inability to implement alternative revenue sources will mean continued dependence on one basket. The combined increase in the real estate property tax rate and home values

means that most homeowners will be paying hundreds of dollars more in property taxes regardless of their ability to pay.

In Virginia, localities have only the powers explicitly granted to them by the General Assembly. In Northern Virginia, the economic engine of the state, this has translated into heavy dependence on the real estate property tax to fund everything, because localities are allowed few revenue options.

EDITORIAL

Fairfax County has a task force studying the possibility of holding a required referendum to let voters decide on adding a meals tax. It would be applied to "ready-to-eat foods and beverages wherever they are sold," but not vending machines.

Former Board Chairman Kate Hanley and former Board Chairman and U.S. Rep. Tom Davis will chair the task force and report back to the Board of Supervisors in mid June. If su-

pervisors approved the referendum, it could appear on the November ballot.

It's interesting that historically, Fairfax County voters overwhelmingly give the thumbs up to authorizing capital improvements to schools, parks and roads via bond sales, but in 1992, voters said no to the meals tax. It will be up to elected officials and advocates for schools, parks, libraries, public safety and human services to help make the case for the increase.

(Taxing income is a power the Commonwealth of Virginia retains for itself, and it is a mechanism that sends money from Northern Virginia to other parts of the state while forcing Northern Virginia localities to depend on property taxes.)

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BOS Budget Falls Short for FCPS

BY ILRYONG MOON
FAIRFAX COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
CHAIRMAN

The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors (BOS) continues to state that education is its top priority but its actions clearly do not match its words — not when county spending next year will increase by 3.6 percent while Fairfax County Public Schools' (FCPS) budget is projected to increase by just 1.6 percent over last year's adopted budget. Overall, FCPS will receive 52.4 percent of the county's budget, down from 52.7 percent this year. While this percentage change seems small, that equates to more than \$12 million that FCPS would have received.

In his April 22 newsletter to residents, Supervisor Pat Herrity makes several misleading assertions about the FCPS budget. He suggests that the School Board already has available funding to meet the school system's needs, beyond the amount that will be transferred from the county and state. We would like to correct these misperceptions.

Supervisor Herrity suggests increasing the salary "lapse rate" (a salary lapse occurs during a job vacancy). FCPS' budgeted lapse savings are based on historical trends. FCPS has taken several steps to adjust compensation accounts in the FY 2015 budget including using lower salaries to budget for vacant positions and for new positions due to enrollment growth. Whatever is remaining in the compensation accounts, combined with other savings generated throughout the year, go into the ending balance which we use to fund the following year's budget.

Supervisor Herrity suggests eliminating pay raises for administrators to save \$13 million. The cost of providing a step increase for all employees is \$41 million. Of that amount, the cost for the administrative positions in schools is \$1.7 million and central administrators account for \$300,000. To achieve his goal of \$13 million in savings, pay raises would need to be denied to employees who directly serve students including advanced academic resource teachers, work experience teach-

ers, instructional support teachers, school counselors, librarians, audiologists, physical and occupational therapists, English for speakers of languages teachers, professional technical project teachers, public health attendants, public health training assistants, school-based technologists, psychologists, social workers, school clerical, school custodial, and school administration.

Supervisor Herrity also claims that many of our teachers are doing administration instead of teaching. He states that if we "take the total number of students in the school system and divide it by the number of full time equivalent teachers (emphasis added), we should get a class size of 12." As our class size is not as such, he alleges that our teachers must be doing administration. This canard has been raised before by Supervisor Herrity and it is irresponsible for him to continue to deliberately mislead the public by using deceitful teacher-student ratios in his comments. This doesn't result in purposeful conversation, but rather distracts the community

from the real issue of fully funding schools. To clarify once again, "full time equivalent teachers" are much more than classroom teachers. They also include special education teachers, English for Speakers of Other Languages teachers, instructional coaches, speech therapists, guidance counselors, librarians, music, physical education teachers, and more. Although these professionals do not have assigned classrooms, they are all teaching and working directly with students. It takes more than a single classroom teacher to provide a well-rounded and full education for FCPS students.

Moving forward, it's critical in budget discussions that disingenuous arguments are not used to refute or support one's position. This should not be seen as a School Board versus Board of Supervisors debate. We are partners. The School Board will continue to work closely with the Supervisors in an effort to develop long-term sustainable funding for FCPS and to meet the expectations of the community to maintain our world-class school system.

rise in drug culture in youths. By bringing in police officers, former drug users and dealers, and families affected by drugs, parents were able to hear their stories and learn ideas like how to recognize signs earlier that may indicate drug use in their children.

As a former student at the [Madison] high school where the forum was held and as an adult now who has had friends struggle

with drug addictions, I find it extremely important and well received that this topic is being highlighted in your publication. This is an issue in children today that needs to be addressed because prevention of drug use is always better than detection of drug use for all parties involved.

Rebecca Rosen
Vienna

LETTERS Timely Discussion On Drug Abuse

To the Editor:

Through columns on your newspaper website like "Avoidance Better Than Arrests, Prison, Death" my attention has been drawn to your spotlight on forums focused on drug prevention in high schools. With the increase in use of drugs for recreational use among youths, this is a timely and well-covered issue in your news-

paper.

The drug prevention forum covered by your paper called "Protecting Against the Realities of Substance Abuse," put on by Parents Reaching Out To Educate Communities Together (PROTECT), provides a new approach to talking about drug awareness and prevention that could help parents better understand and approach the



MOTHER'S DAY

The Things My Mom Taught Me

Growing up my mom went from asking me what was one nice thing I did for someone to inspiring me to think differently and change the community and even the world around me. That has led me to my purpose in life. To go beyond help or charity and work towards fundamentally changing the lives of others. She would always remind me that the success of our family did not come on our own. It was the grace of God, the support of friends, and the encouragement of a community. I continue to see my mom live this every day. She is so dedicated to her employees and does big and small things for their professional and personal lives because she wants the best for them. People she barely knows, but she knows helping them is not just being a good employer; it is being a good citizen of the world. She also never misses the big and little moments in my life.



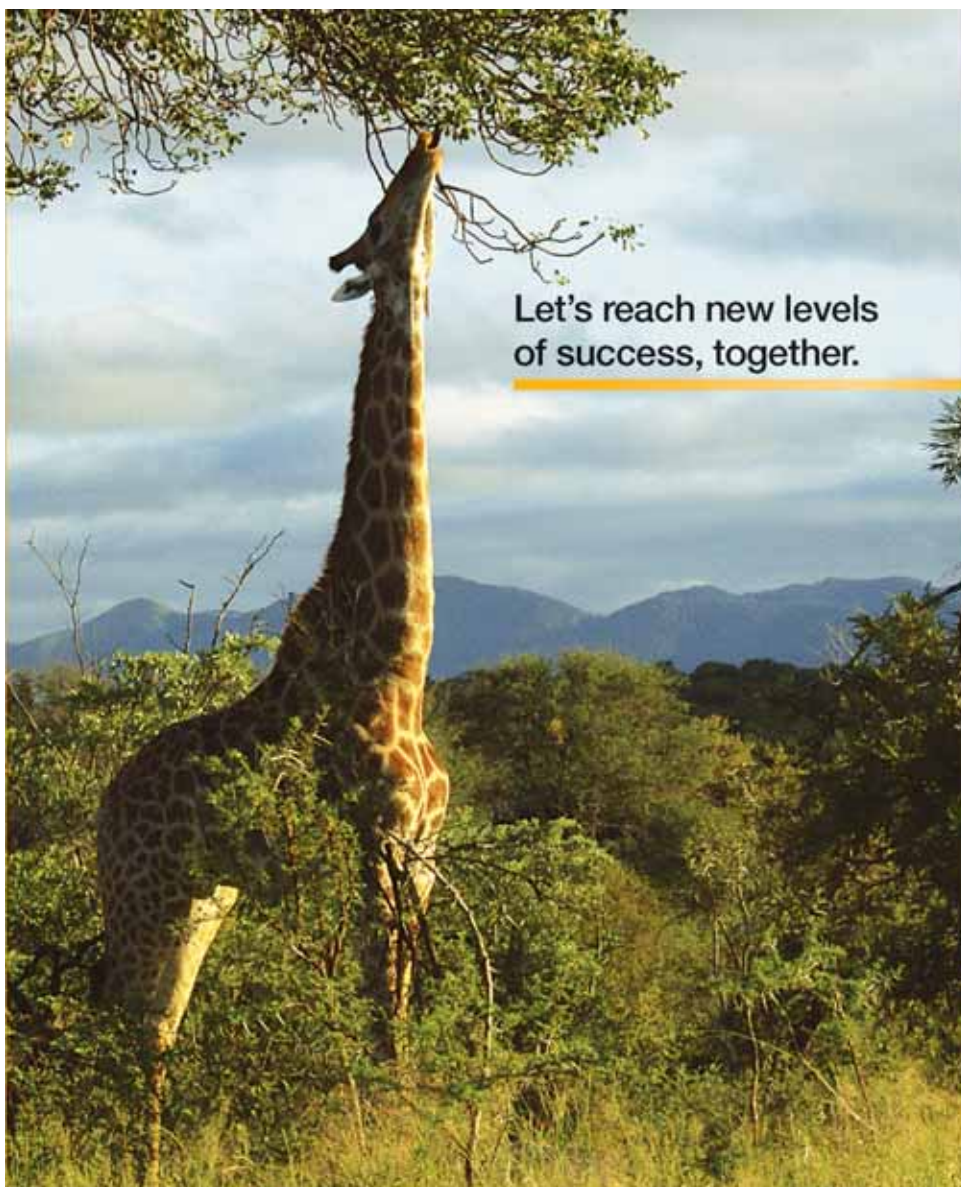
In this picture posted in January I commented that in the 30+ years I have been singing, dancing, or acting she has never missed a performance. Every nonprofit I have worked for she has volunteered or donated her amazing catering tal-

ents. I am so blessed to call her mom and mentor!

— AMANDA MISIKO ANDERE
*The writer is Executive Director of FACETS –
Opening Doors for People in Need.*

Availability of Environmental Assessment (EA) and Draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FNSI) for Construction of Skills Training Facility U.S. Army Garrison Fort Belvoir, Virginia

The Army has prepared an EA that considers the proposed construction of a Skills Training Facility at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. This facility will enable consolidation of existing training activities at Fort Belvoir into a new 96,000 square foot building on a 10-acre parcel at the Davison Army Airfield area of the garrison. The proposed development activity includes surface parking for up to 180 vehicles and internal site improvements required to support 190 personnel at the facility. The EA considered the effects of the project on land use, plans, coastal zone management, natural resources, socio-economic factors, traffic and transportation, air quality, and utility systems and concluded that the project is not expected to result in significant adverse environmental impacts. Therefore, in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, preparation of an environmental impact statement is not required. The EA and FNSI may be viewed online at: www.belvoir.army.mil/envirodocssection2.asp. Paper copies of the EA and draft FNSI are available for review and comment at the Fort Belvoir Van Noy Library and the following Fairfax County, Virginia libraries: John Marshall Branch, Kingstowne Branch, Lorton Branch, and Sherwood Regional Branch. Comments on the EA and draft FNSI should be submitted to: Commander, U.S. Army Garrison Fort Belvoir, ATTN: Public Works, 9430 Jackson Loop, Suite 100, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060-5116; or by e-mail to: imcom.fortbelvoir.dpw.environmental@us.army.mil. Comments must be received no later than 30 days after publication of this Notice of Availability. Subject to review and consideration of comments submitted by individuals, organizations, or agencies during the comment period, the Army intends to issue the final FNSI at the conclusion of the comment period and to proceed with the proposed action.



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NEWS



Daryl Vasquez, third from night, a nurse with the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board, was honored for saving a man's life at a CSB location in Springfield.

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Nurse Honored with Life Saving Award

All county nurses
celebrated
during Nurses
Week, May 6-12.

BY JANELLE GERMANOS
THE CONNECTION

In late February, Daryl Vasquez, a nurse with the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board's Community Readiness and Support Program in Springfield and a Burke resident, noticed that a CSB client having lunch was choking and could not breathe.

"She managed to get her arms around him and perform the Heimlich maneuver, dislodging the obstruction and most likely saving this man's life," Gary Ambrose, a CSB board member, told the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors on April 29.

For her heroic actions, Richard Bowers, chief of the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department, honored Vasquez with a Citizen Life Saving Award.

"Here's a great example of the everyday continuum of care that our nurses and other community leaders provide," Bowers said. "This is an example of a nurse saving a life in our community."

THE PRESENTATION came the same day that the Board of Supervisors designed May 6-12 as Nurses Week in Fairfax County to raise awareness of the importance of nurses and the hard work they do on a daily basis. Ambrose joined Louella Meachem, CSB's director of nursing services, to accept the proclamation.

"As the proclamation points out, nurses are unsung heroes throughout our county," Ambrose said.

"The people the CSB serves, people who struggle with mental



Florence Hagan, Gloria Larson-Jadali, Daryl Vasquez, Colton Hand, Louella Meachem, Rosaline NanKam, Len Wales and Gary Ambrose celebrate a proclamation designating May 6-12 as Nurses Week.

illness, substance use disorders, and intellectual and developmental disabilities, often face the additional challenge of having little or no access to primary health care.

This can lead to early death from diseases that are common and preventable if detected early."

Nurses throughout the county help to bridge the gap for CSB clients, Ambrose said.

"In addition to providing counseling, crisis intervention, case management and behavioral health support services, the CSB's 66 nurses screen people for common primary health concerns, such as high blood pressure and diabetes," Ambrose said. "They, and nurses throughout our community, have saved lives again and again by detecting and addressing serious conditions requiring medical attention."

Vasquez says she enjoys her job with the Community Readiness and Support Program, and thanked the Fire and Rescue Department for presenting her with the award.

"While I saved a life, I believe as nurses we are also saving lives by educating our clients, one-on-

one and in psychosocial group settings," Vasquez said. "I feel very lucky to be working there."

FOLLOWING THE INCIDENT, Vasquez provided the man she saved with education about chewing effectively and reducing choking and aspiration risk in the future.

"As nurses it is also important to teach about prevention of serious health risks and disease (heart attack with clients with cardiovascular disease and diabetic complications with clients with diabetes). It was traumatic to experience it for me and CRSP team to experience as well," Vasquez said.

After reading the proclamation declaring May 6-12 as Nurses Week, Mason District Supervisor Penny Gross acknowledged the importance of nursing and the need to encourage people to apply for nursing school.

"We all know the role that nurses have traditionally played in health care, but now with sort of the new health care iterations, nurses become even more important and provide different kinds of care than perhaps traditionally they used to," Gross said.

MOTHER'S DAY PHOTO GALLERY



Louise Kieke, paternal grandmother of Kay McCurdy, resident of Greenspring retirement community. This photo was taken in 1908 in Colton, Texas.



Eliza Whittaker, maternal grandmother of Kay McCurdy, resident of Greenspring retirement community. This photo was taken in Lancaster, England in 1915.



Greenspring resident, Marcy Dickens (left) with her daughter, Pamela Sellars, taken at Thanksgiving 2013.



Taken in January 1962 in Springfield, Va., these are the five children of Greenspring resident Lavon Clark. Among those five children are two sets of twins! From left to right: Edward Moreland, Kenneth Moreland, Patricia Walsh, Karen Frady, Pam Marchetti.

fireside Grill



Mother's Day Brunch Buffet Sunday, May 11th

Seatings: 10AM; 11:30AM; 1:00PM; 2:30PM
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Hearing Loss Doesn't Have to be Life-changing

"What?" May is Better Hearing and Speech Month.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE CONNECTION

On any given workday, you might find Arlington resident Erin Weiner sitting in a family-friendly restaurant casually coloring or playing games with a young child. At first glance, she might be mistaken for any young mother entertaining her offspring while they wait for a meal. In actuality, Weiner, who is a speech-language pathologist, is employing what she describes as an innovative approach to therapy that involves working with a child in his or her natural environment.

"Real-time therapeutic sessions help children develop skills that they can effectively apply to day-to-day life," said Weiner, of Erin's Place for Therapy in North Potomac, Md.

Hearing loss affects more than 36 million

Americans. During the month of May, Better Hearing & Speech Month, Weiner and other speech and hearing professionals are working to raise awareness about communication disorders and the treatments that are available.

"Most people don't realize how the loss of hearing is interfering with their lives," said Michael V. Massa, AuD., of Massa and Associates, Doctors of Audiology, with offices in Springfield and Mount Vernon. "Hearing loss is usually gradual and a spouse or family member will notice it first."

Massa says that while hearing loss is most common in people aged 50 and older, it can affect patients from newborns to the elderly. Recognizing the warning signs and finding the proper treatment can be life-altering. "People come back and say 'if I had known how much this would have helped, I would have come to see you much earlier,'" said Massa.

EARLY DETECTION IS CRITICAL. "Hearing loss can affect one's ability to communicate with and engage others in the community," said Jeffrey Edge, rehabilitation services manager for the Fairfax County Health Department. "The earlier you detect a hear-



Speech-language pathologist Erin Weiner holds a therapy session with a young patient in a natural environment.

ing loss, the sooner you can take steps to hopefully decrease the impact of the loss on communication. Early detection of hearing loss is most important with infants and children as hearing is critical to developing speech and language skills and learning."

Edge points to research from the National Institute of Health, National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders, which shows that speech and language development begins in the first six months of life and children who get treatment early develop better language skills than those who don't.

There are certain signs that tell parents

their children might be experiencing hearing loss. "Is the child responding to their name when the child isn't looking at you?" asks Weiner. "Are they speaking as much as their peers? Are they saying 'What?' a lot? Do they seem to be reading your lips? If a fire truck with its sirens on goes by does the child look up? Are they having problems speaking at the right volume?"

Weiner, who provides oral, motor articulation, language therapy and auditory processing treatments, said problems with audio processing can often be difficult to diag-

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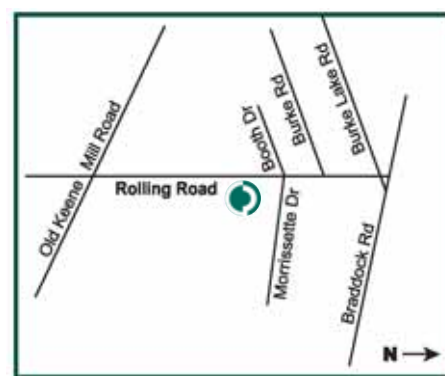
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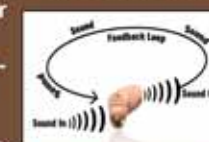
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Addressing Hearing Loss

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nose. "You have to determine if the issue is auditory processing or hearing loss. This can be difficult to distinguish. With auditory processing, someone might keep saying 'What?' and they probably heard you, but the message is not getting to their brain."

Hearing loss in newborns can be hereditary or congenital, said Massa, but it is often caught early because of state laws that require newborn hearing screenings. "At birth we can tell if a child's hearing is normal or not and this is critical because they have to develop speech," said Massa.

MASSA SAID THAT the number of Americans with hearing loss has doubled within the past 30 years. "Some of that is due to the fact that we have so many baby boomers," he said. "Inner ear hearing loss is the most common type of loss."

Sudden hearing loss is another common hearing disorder that usually occurs in one ear. "With sudden hearing loss, time is of the essence," said Massa. "The person needs to be seen right away. Studies show that they have a better chance of recovering if treatment begins right away."

When it comes to treatment, advancements in hearing devices now include the latest digital and



PHOTO COURTESY OF DR. MICHAEL MASSA

Dr. Michael Massa examines Vivian Graeves in his Mount Vernon office.

Bluetooth technology, which can connect patients to their electronic devices, such as a television, a computer, a smart phone or cellular telephone phone, as well as induction loop systems found in theaters.

"Hearing devices have gotten really good with digital technology. How well a person is going to do with a hearing device is dependent on the type of hearing loss," said Massa, who has been practicing for more than 30 years. "Fortunately most people can be helped by hearing devices. It is extremely important for those people to be seen by a doctor of audiology."

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SATURDAY/ MAY 10

Dog Adoption. 12-3 p.m. PETCO, Greenbriar Towncenter, 13053 Lee Jackson Memorial Highway, Fairfax. 703-817-9444 or for more info. visit hart90.org

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Dog Adoption. 12 - 3 p.m. PETCO, Greenbriar Towncenter, 13053 Lee Jackson Memorial Highway, Fairfax. 703-817-9444.

TUESDAY/MAY 13

Legal and Financial Planning for Alzheimer's. 6:30-8:30 p.m. Alzheimer's Association National Capital Area Chapter, 3701 Pender Drive, Suite 400, Fairfax. For individuals and families dealing with Alzheimer's. This program is for anyone who would like to know more about what legal and financial issues to consider and how to put plans in place.

MONDAY/MAY 19

Rising Kindergarten Orientation. 2 - 3:30 p.m. Rolling Valley Elementary School, 6703 Barnack Drive, Springfield.

THURSDAY/MAY 15

Lunch N' Life. 12 - 2 p.m. Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 5114 Twinbrook Road, Fairfax. Are You 50 or Better? Please join us for the next Lunch N' Life sponsored by the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke on Thursday. The Program will feature Kent Knowles of the Raptor Conservancy of Virginia, along with some of their birds of prey. For reservations, call Faye Quesenberry, 703-620-0161, by May 9. The cost is \$10; checks payable to SCFB. If transportation is needed, call the SCFB office 703-323-4788. See www.scfva.org for more information.

WEDNESDAY/MAY 21

How Do I Take Away the Keys...Dementia & Driving. 1:30 p.m. at Insight Memory Care Center, formerly Alzheimer's Family Day Center, 2812 Old Lee Highway, Suite 210, Fairfax. Come for a discussion on the many hard decisions involved with dementia and driving, and learn more about caregiver approaches for dealing with this difficult and emotional topic. Call 703-204-4664 to RSVP and for more information.

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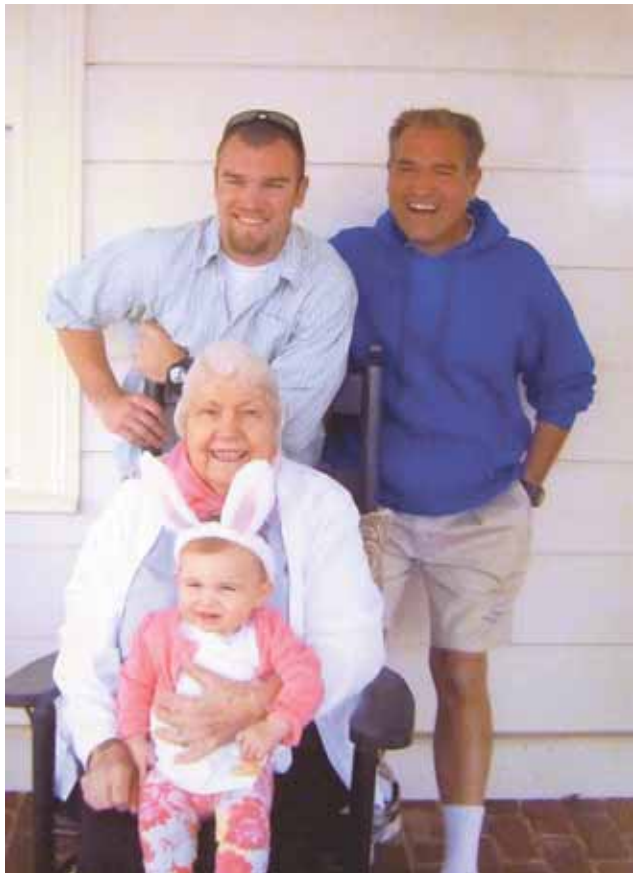
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Taken on April 20 in Loudoun County, Lavon Clark celebrated Easter with her family. In this four-generation photo, Lavon is with her grandson, Kenny Moreland; her son, Ken Moreland; and her great granddaughter, Riley Moreland.



Joaquin and Simone of Springfield, enjoying the great outdoors.



Mildred Lois Kyle, mother of Greenspring resident Joseph Kyle. The original photo was taken in 1928 in Konawa, Okla., when Mildred was 21 years of age and was later colorized to produce this photo.



This photo, taken in St. Louis, Mo., in 1946, shows Greenspring resident Pete Straub (middle), his mother, Mary Louise Straub, and his two brothers, Ralph Richard Straub and John Andrew Straub.



Keifer and Caryl of Springfield, these experts can tackle anything.



Kyle, Kendra and mommy of Springfield, enjoying some Disney time.



Four generations (top to bottom): Roberta Monahan, Greenspring resident Mildred Monahan, Danielle Vaughan-Griff, Iris Griff. This photo was taken in Summer 2012 at Scarborough Beach, R.I.



Mittie Lee Johnson, grandmother of Greenspring resident, Joseph Kyle. This photo was taken in the 1930s in Chickasha, Okla.



This photo, taken in St. Louis, Mo., in 1941, shows Greenspring resident Pete Straub (the youngest pictured), his mother, Mary Louise Straub, and his two brothers, Ralph Richard Straub and John Andrew Straub.

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FRIDAY/MAY 9

Wounded Warrior Project Jill's House Benefit Concert. 7 p.m. Empire, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. Tickets \$10 available at www.convictusmusic.com/shows.

FRIDAY/MAY 9-SUNDAY/JUNE 1

The Fantasticks. Fridays & Saturdays at 8 p.m., Sundays at 1 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, Lorton. The Fantasticks is a funny and romantic musical about a boy, a girl, two fathers and a wall. Tickets: \$15.

FRIDAY/MAY 9-SUNDAY/MAY 18

"Failure, A Love Story" Play. Fridays at 8 p.m., Saturdays 2 p.m. & 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. John Swayze Theatre at the New School of Northern Virginia, 9431 Silver King Court, Fairfax. Tickets: \$20-\$30. Call 1-800-494-8497 or www.thehubtheatre.org. Note: For ages 10 and up.

FRIDAY/MAY 9 - SATURDAY/MAY 10

"Be Our Guest." 7:30 p.m. May 3 and 10 at 1:30 p.m. Burke Community Church, 9900 Old Keene Mill Road, Burke. Step into the enchanted world of Disney's Beauty and the Beast. For tickets please visit NVPlayers.com.

"The Producers." 7 p.m. South County High School, 8501 Silverbrook Road, Lorton. A musical performed by South County High School students that will provide laughter and comedy. PG-13. General admission at the door is \$12 and \$10 for senior citizens and students. Discounted tickets can be



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From left: Tia, Shearer, Carolyn Kasner, Maggie Erwin in Hub Theatre's production of "Failure: A Love Story." The play runs through May 18 at John Swayze Theatre at the New School of Northern Virginia, 9431 Silver King Court, Fairfax.

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FRIDAY/MAY 9 - SUNDAY/MAY 11

"9 to 5: The Musical." 7:30 p.m. May 4 & 11 at 2 p.m. Fairfax High School, 3501 Rebel Run, Fairfax. Based on the 1980 hit movie, this new musical is the story of three unlikely friends who conspire to rise up against their tyrannical and sexist boss and find there's nothing they can't do — even in a man's world. Outrageous, thought-provoking and

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SATURDAY/MAY 10

Eileen Olson Art Show Reception. 6-9 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, Building Five, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton.
Second Saturday Art Walk. 6-9 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. An opening reception for all studio shows and featured artists.
Celebrating the Changing Seasons

with the Symphony. 8 p.m. Joining the Fairfax Symphony Orchestra are virtuoso violinist Guillermo Figueroa and the massed forces of the Fairfax Choral Society.
The Castles of Spain. 3 p.m. Kirkwood Presbyterian Church is located at 8336 Carrleigh Parkway, Springfield. Internationally recognized classical guitarist, Larry Snitzler will perform.

WEDNESDAY/MAY 14

"Mission to Tokyo." 1:30 p.m. American Legion Post 176, 6520 Amherst Avenue, Springfield. Local author, Robert F. Dorr, will speak about one of his 70+ books. The book takes the reader on a WWII strategic bombing mission from Tinian, a western Pacific Island, to Tokyo and back. Mr. Dorr will talk about the war itself and about his experiences in researching the war. He has a couple of surprises that may alter your understanding of history.

THURSDAY/MAY 15

Who Won the Race of a Lifetime: the Battle between Byrd and Amundsen at the North Pole. 7:30-8:30 p.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce Street. The epic struggle between Richard Byrd and Roald Amundsen — as they raced to be the first man to fly over the North Pole — has never been this exciting. Author Sheldon Bart will use facts and stories never before published. To make the evening special, Richard Byrd's grandson will be on hand to add his personal insights.
Second Annual Fashion in Motion Fashion Show. 7:30 p.m. Sherwood Community Center, 3740

Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. Nine Fairfax Academy Fashion Design 2 students—representing nine different Fairfax County public schools—will be showcasing their collections. Tickets can be purchased at <http://fashioninmotion.ticketleap.com/2/> or at the door. Seating is limited; advance ticket purchase is recommended.

SATURDAY/MAY 17

Spring Garden Day. 9 a.m.-3p.m., Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria. More than 40 vendors of rare and unusual plants descend on Green Spring Gardens to fill your spring gardening needs.
2014 Spring Carnival. 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. 6720 Union Mill Road, Clifton. Hosted by St. Andrew's The Apostle School. Spring fun for all in the community.
Ballroom Social Dance Featuring Cha-Cha. 7:30 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. \$5-\$10. <http://www.workhousearts.org/events/performing-arts/ballroom-social-dance-12>
Yard Sale. 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. Lee High School Parking Lot, 6540 Franconia Road, Springfield. Register for a small space now prices: are \$10 or 2 for \$15. Register by email at Leeyardsalemay17@gmail.com.
Springtime Pops. 8 p.m. WT Woodson High School, 9525 Main Street, Fairfax. CFB's season closer is a celebration of spring in full swing, with an "Evening at Pops" inspired program featuring light classics, marches, show tunes and movie music. The program also features the winter of the 2014 Young Artist Competition in solo performance.

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Lord of Life Lutheran offers services at two locations, in Fairfax at 5114 Twinbrook Road and in Clifton at 13421 Twin Lakes Drive. Services in Fairfax are held on Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. and Sundays at 8:30 and 10 a.m. Services in Clifton are held on Sundays at 8:15 and 10:30 a.m. 703-323-9500 or www.Lordoflifeva.org.

First Baptist Church of Springfield offers Sunday school at 9:15 a.m., followed by a 10:30 a.m. worship service at 7300 Gary St., Springfield. 703-451-1500 or www.fbcspringfield.org.

Clifton Presbyterian Church, 12748 Richards Lane, Clifton, offers Sunday worship services at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Nursery care is provided.

Christian education for all ages is at 9:45 a.m. 703-830-3175.

St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church, 6720 Union Mill Road, Clifton, conducts Sunday masses at 7:30 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. It also offers a Saturday vigil at 5:30 p.m. and a Thursday Latin mass at 7 p.m. 703-817-1770 or www.st-andrew.org.

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 8304 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield, offers casual worship services on Saturday evenings at 5:30 p.m. featuring contemporary music. More traditional services take place on Sunday mornings at 8:15 and 11 a.m. Sunday School is from 9:45-10:45 a.m. for children and adults. The church also offers discussion groups for adults. 703-451-5855 or www.poplc.org.

Kirkwood Presbyterian Church, 8336 Carrleigh Parkway in Springfield, supports a Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) program on the first and third Wednesday of each month. Meetings are 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the church. All mothers and children are welcome. The program provides mothers an opportunity to get to know other mothers through discussions and craft activities. Register. 703-451-5320.

JCCNV Mother's Circle program, for women who are not Jewish but are raising Jewish children. Free education in Jewish rituals, practices and values, while respecting the participant's choice to retain her own religious identity. Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia, 8900 Little River Turnpike in Fairfax. Contact Laurie Albert, 703-537-3064 or H Y P E R L I N K "mailto:LaurieA@jccnv.org" LaurieA@jccnv.org.

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andria, offers traditional Sunday church services at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. plus Sunday School classes for all ages at 9:45 a.m. Childcare is available 8:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. There will be a Terry Hall Concert on Saturday, April 14 at 4 p.m. with old spirituals, classic hymns, southern gospel favorites and more. 703-971-5151 or admin@franconiaumc.org or www.franconiaumc.org.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is for people interested in becoming Catholic or learning about the Catholic Church. A group meets at 7:30 p.m. on July 6 and 20 at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church, 3700 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. A group will begin meeting every Wednesday starting September. Sessions are in the Old Parish Hall. All are welcome. Contact Carolyn Smith at 703-273-5369 or carolynsmith.stleos@gmail.com.

The Jewish Social Services Agency (JSSA) offers a wide variety of support groups for those with emotional, social, and physical challenges. www.jssa.org/growth-learning.

Metropolitan Community Church of Northern Virginia, 10383 Democracy Lane in Fairfax, presents worship services on Sundays at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. and choir practice (open to all) on Tuesdays at 7:15 p.m. www.mccnova.com or 703-691-0930.

Church of the Nativity offers a free general bereavement support group open to all adults on the first and third Thursday of each month 7:30-9 p.m. The church is located at 6400 Nativity Lane, Burke. Call 703-455-2400, ext. 17.

Arabic Bible Baptist Church is located at 6428 Ox Road in Fairfax Station. Services are on Saturdays at 6:30 p.m. and Sundays at 1 p.m. Pastor: Wissam Jamil. Call 703-273-5599.

Budget

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He said his aunt has already moved out of Fairfax County because she could not afford to live here.

"I think we've got a board that's not focused on our priorities," he said. "If they don't make changes, I'll vote against it next year."


Hunter Mill Supervisor Cathy Hudgins did not agree with some aspects of the budget, according

to her comments at previous public hearings, but she voted for it anyway.

"With the adoption of the FY 2015 budget, and the lack of a [Board of Supervisors] consensus, it was clear that all residents in Fairfax County will feel the effects in some capacity," she said in a press release. "However, based on correspondence received, my interactions with residents, and guidance from the Hunter Mill

District Budget Committee, my approach to this year's budget remained philosophically consistent: attempt to not to inflict undue hardship on any one segment of the county, whether that be those who receive services, those who pay real estate and other taxes, those whom the county employ, those whom the county educates, or all of us who rely on the county to keep us safe."

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SPORTS



Woodson junior Isabel Obregon scored eight goals during the Cavaliers' 18-8 victory over Annandale on Tuesday.



Woodson senior Alex Lightfoot scored four goals, including three in a row at one point, during the Cavaliers' win over Annandale on Tuesday.

Obregon, Lightfoot Lead Woodson Girls' Lax to Victory

Cavaliers score 10 straight goals to pull away from Annandale.

BY JON ROETMAN
THE CONNECTION

Annandale attacker Sureyya Gokturk's goal with 18:30 remaining in the second half tied the score at 7 during Tuesday's contest against the perennial Patriot District power Woodson Cavaliers.

Little did the Atoms know, their evening was about to go downhill quickly.

The Woodson girls' lacrosse team scored the next 10 goals, including three straight by senior Alex Lightfoot, en route to an 18-8 victory on May 6 at Annandale High School.

Woodson won four consecutive Patriot District championships since moving over from the Liberty District in 2010. Now a member of Conference 7 (composed of seven of the previous eight Patriot District teams) after the VHSEs six-class realignment, the Cavaliers are looking to continue their postseason success. Tuesday's win improved Woodson's record to 8-2, including 5-0 against conference foes.

"We expect to win the [conference]," second-year Woodson head coach Patrick Mahler said. "That's our first goal. We expect to be playing into the month of June and give ourselves a chance for the big trophies."

Woodson appears to have the firepower to make a postseason run. Junior midfielder Isabel Obregon, who was named Patriot District Player of the Year as a freshman in 2012 before playing her sophomore season at Bishop Ireton, scored a game-high eight goals, many of which came early while the score was tight. Senior midfielder Kelly Stegner scored the go-ahead goal with 16:38 remaining, giving the Cavaliers an 8-



Woodson senior Kelly Stegner (5) tries to escape two Annandale defenders on Tuesday.

7 advantage. Lightfoot scored the next three goals as Woodson started to pull away.

WOODSON'S 10-0 RUN started after Annandale standout Ashley Britton left the field after receiving her second penalty card.

"I definitely think we were all panicking in the beginning because we kind of got into our own heads before the game," Obregon said. "I think we were over-analyzing the other team. I don't think we had enough confidence."

If the Cavaliers were lacking confidence, it didn't show in the second half.

"We knew that they were going to be aggressive and we knew that they were going to get fouls, in particular certain players, so we knew when those players were in the penalty box, that we needed to take advantage of our opportunities," Mahler said. "Senior leader Alex Lightfoot did that exact thing and had [three] in a row. We knew that it was just a matter of time before their over-aggression got the best of them and then we were able to capitalize on that."

While seven different Cavaliers scored at least one goal, Obregon and Lightfoot car-

ried much of the offensive load. Obregon scored six of the team's first seven goals and finished with eight. Now a junior, Obregon transferred back to Woodson from Bishop Ireton at the beginning of the second semester in January and re-joined the Cavalier lacrosse program. The University of Maryland commit said she is enjoying being back at her former school.

"I'm definitely having more fun with lacrosse here," she said, "because it's a lot less

stressful."

Mahler said Obregon struggled at first with transitioning back to Woodson, but No. 18 has come on strong.

"It was a change," Mahler said. "She's a high school girl and she's a creature of habit. The change so late in the school year really made it a roller coaster experience for her, but now it's starting to level out, especially after spring break."

Lightfoot, who will play at Randolph Macon, finished with four goals for Woodson.

"Alex Lightfoot's been playing since she was 6 or 7 years old," Mahler said. "She might not be the most athletic, but she has all of the nuances and she knows how to play the game. She's very, very crafty and very, very smart. She has excellent stick skills."

Sophomore attacker/midfielder Claire Swanson scored two goals for Woodson. Stegner, Grace Stephan, Emily Williams and Emma Vinall each scored one.

WOODSON WILL TRAVEL to face Lake Braddock at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, May 9, and close the regular season at home against Lee on Monday, May 12.

"I know that Woodson can make it very far," Obregon said. "We have talent on the team. Even our bench is very deep. I expect to definitely win our [conference]."

West Springfield Baseball Wins 11 of 13

West Springfield senior Tim Yonkers pitches against South County on Tuesday, May 6. The Spartans entered the contest having won 11 of their last 13 games.



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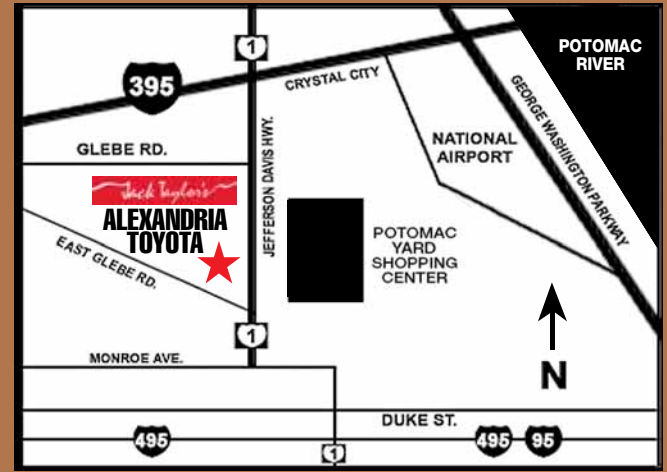


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