

News



Math Honors

The third grade Advanced Academics Level IV and III students from Poplar Tree Elementary School competed in the Continental Math League Contest this year. There were three meets where the students had to solve challenging math problems within a 30-minute time period. The following students were the top scorers: Michael Hemingway, Breanna Oh, Zachary Spiewak, Adrian Coray, and Taylor Greunke. All have been awarded certificates of distinction from the Continental Math League.

VDDT Virginia Department of Transportation

Transform I-66 Outside the Beltway Fairfax and Prince William Counties

Public Hearings

All hearings are 5:30 p.m. until 9 p.m. A presentation will begin at 7 p.m.

Wednesday, May 27, 2015 VDOT Northern Virginia District Office, 1st Floor 4975 Alliance Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030

Thursday, May 28, 2015 Oakton High School Cafeteria (Entrance #1 or #14)

2900 Sutton Road, Vienna, VA 22181 Tuesday, June 2, 2015
Battlefield High School Cafeteria (Entrance #1 or #4)

15000 Graduation Drive, Haymarket, VA 20169

Wednesday, June 3, 2015 Bull Run Elementary School Cafeteria (Entrance #1) 15301 Lee Highway, Centreville, VA 20121

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), in partnership with the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT), will host hearings for the public to review and provide comments on the Tier 2 Environmental Assessment (EA)/Draft Section 4(f) Evaluation for the Transform 66 Outside the Beltway Project. In compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106 and 36 CFR Part 800, information on potential effects of the proposed improvements on properties listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places is included in the environmental document. The EA is being prepared in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and 23 CFR 771. The project involves the transformation of 25 miles of I-66 between U.S. Route 15 in Haymarket and I-495/the Capital Beltway, and will provide congestion relief and enhanced safety, as well as new travel choices and reliability.

Stop by between 5:30 and 9 p.m. to view displays, learn more about the project, discuss your questions with VDOT staff and provide written or oral comments. The formal presentation will begin at 7 p.m.

Review project information, including preliminary plans, project schedule, and right-of-way, environmental and civil rights information at www.transform66.org, at the public hearings, or at VDOT's Northern Virginia District Office at 4975 Alliance Drive in Fairfax beginning May 12, 2015. Please call 800-367-7623 or TTY/TDD 711 to ensure appropriate personnel are available to answer your questions.

Written comments may be mailed to Ms. Susan Shaw, Megaprojects Director, at the VDOT Office address above, or emailed to Transform66@VDOT.Virginia.gov. Please reference "Transform 66 Outside the Beltway" in the subject line. Comments must be postmarked, emailed or delivered to VDOT by June 18, 2015 to be included in the

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THURSDAY/MAY 7

Kindergarten Registration. 9:15-

10:15 a.m. at Poplar Tree Elementary School, 13440 Melville Lane, Chantilly. Children who will be 5 years old on or before Sept. 30, and live within the school's boundaries are eligible for kindergarten for the 2015-2016 school year. Call 703-633-

FRIDAY/MAY 8

Blood Drive. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at G&C Tire & Auto Service, 14008 Willard Road, Chantilly. G&C is hosting their annual blood drive. Donors receive a free lunch. Contact Cindy Ayer at Cindv@gandcauto.com.

Kindergarten Immersion Lottery Deadline. 4 p.m. at https:// insys.fcps.edu/immersion_k/.

MONDAY/MAY 11

"Queries for Publications." 7-9

p.m. at Gunnell House at Truro Church, 10520 Main St. Capital Christian Writers presents a workshop on how to write a polished media query. Free. Visit www.capitalchristianwrities.org.

FRIDAY/MAY 15

Application Deadlines. The Teen

Police Academy and Future Women Leaders in Law Enforcement are currently accepting applications for their summer classes. Link for Police Academy: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ police/services/pdf/ 2015teenpoliceacademy.pdf. Link for Future Women Leaders: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/ services/pdf/2015fwlle.pdf.

SATURDAY-MONDAY/MAY 16-18

Call for Auditions. Various times at

Mountain View School, 5775 Spindle Court, Centreville. The Alliance Theatre is seeking cast members for their upcoming production of "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang." Visit www.thealliancetheatre.org/ auditions.html to learn more.

MONDAY/MAY 18

Financial Counseling Clinic. 6-7:30 p.m. at Chantilly Computer Learning Center Partnerships, 4101 Elmwood St., Chantilly. Volunteer financial planners will help participants tackle pressing financial problems during a 45- to 60-minute session. A free credit report will be run, immediate financial situations considered, and a course of action recommended to address concerns. Free. Contact Lillian Diaz at atLdiaz@wfcmva.org or 703-988-9656 x108.

THURSDAY/MAY 21

Liberty Republican Women's Club

Meeting. 6 p.m. at Sully Government Center, 4900 Stonecroft Blvd., Chantilly. Donna Hamilton, Director of Research for Virginians for Quality Healthcare, will be the guest speaker. Free. Call 703-378-

SATURDAY/MAY 23

Conversational English Class Interest Meeting. 7 p.m. at Fairfax Church of Christ, 3901 Rugby Road, Fairfax. Sign up for a two week intensive course on conversational English May 25-June 5. Free. Contact

jerriharrington@gmail.com.

MONDAY/JUNE 22

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For Mother's Day

Elijah Green, 14, Adam Green, 21, and Cindy Green, mother, of Oak Hill, on the Maryville-Alcoa Greenway trail in Alcoa, Tenn., on Aug. 16, 2014.

CHANTILLY DAY GUIDE

Food, Fun, Music and an Astronaut

Fourth annual Chantilly Day celebration is May 16.

> By Bonnie Hobbs The Connection

festival filled with fun and entertainment that's what's in store at the fourth annual Chantilly Day celebration. It's set for Saturday, May 16, at the Sully Place Shopping Center, off Route 50 West in Chantilly.

There'll be live music and dancing, food, children's activities and even an astronaut. The extravaganza runs from 11 a.m.-5 p.m., rain or shine, in the Kmart and Babies R Us parking lots. Admission is free, as are all activities in the Kids Zone.

The Chantilly-Centreville Chamber of Commerce (an offshoot of the Dulles Regional Chamber of Commerce), in partnership with



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Kaiser Permanente, is putting on the event. Host sponsor is the shopping-cenowner, ter Beatty Management Co. And Western Fairfax Chris-

will give out various awards.

Among the highlights will be a

special salute to Supervisor

Michael R. Frey (R-Sully), along

with the presentation of a Lifetime

Achievement Award. The Sully

District's only supervisor, he's re-

tiring this year after serving 23

years in office. Frey's actually

worked for Fairfax County since

1978 - first for former Board of

Supervisors Chairman Jack Herrity

and then as former Centreville

District Supervisor Elaine

McConnell's chief of staff for seven

years before becoming Sully

This year's recipient of the

Chantilly Business of the Year

award, presented by Sandy Spring

Bank, will go to the Westfields

Business Owners Association. The

award for Chantilly Nonprofit of

the Year, presented by Western

Federal Credit Union, will be given

to the Chantilly Youth Association

The Dulles Regional Chamber

will also continue its long tradi-

tion of honoring Educators of the

District's supervisor.

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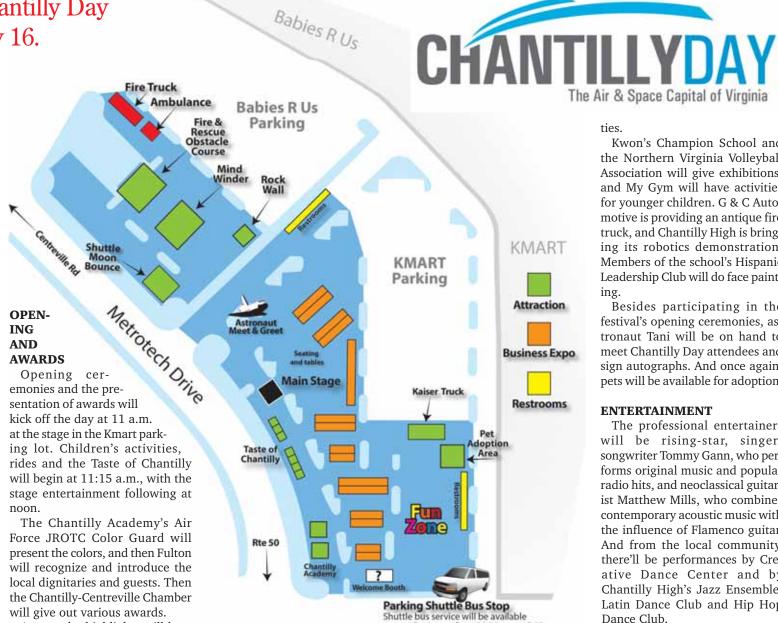
tian Ministries will be on hand all day to accept food donations for local families in need.

"A perfect antidote for our busy, remote-communicator lifestyle is our community gathering that we call Chantilly Day," said Dulles Regional Chamber President Eileen Curtis. "Here is the web of businesses, residents, nonprofits, schools, cultural and sports organizations that together represent the heartbeat of a community. The Chamber invites you to come on out, meet your neighbors, share new experiences and enjoy the wonderful sounds and tastes of Chantilly."

The event chairman is Carl Brown, assistant general manager of Staybridge Suites. He, too, is excited about the upcoming festival and says the goal is to create a sense of community here.

"Chantilly Day is a celebration of our business community, civic and educational organizations, local leaders and all things Chantilly," he said. "It gives everyone an opportunity to gather for a day of free, family fun with lots of activities and great food offerings from the local area."

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Year from its participating schools. Sponsoring this year's Educator Awards is Infinity QS.

Awardees include Troy Stevens, Chantilly High; Todd Utter, Westfield High; David McElfresh, Fairfax Christian School; Tammy Jenkins, Centreville High; Lisa Hoy, Goddard School, Chantilly; Jennifer Michael, Goddard School, South Riding; and Cecilia Escobar, Oakcrest School.

DIGNITARIES AND GUESTS

Chantilly Day dignitaries and honored guests will include former NASA Astronaut Daniel Tani, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova; Supervisors Frey, Pat Herrity (R-Springfield) and John Foust (D-Dranesville); state Sen. Dave Marsden (D-37) and U.S. Rep. Barbara Comstock (R-10).

ACTIVITIES AND ATTRACTIONS

This year's fun-filled attractions include a climbing wall, Space Shuttle moonbounce, a fire-andrescue obstacle course and 16-person Mindwinder swings. The CYA Fun Zone will offer sports-related games such as basketball and Nerf soccer, plus carnival-type activi-

Shuttle bus service will be available every 15 minutes from 10:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m

Kwon's Champion School and the Northern Virginia Volleyball Association will give exhibitions, and My Gym will have activities for younger children. G & C Automotive is providing an antique fire truck, and Chantilly High is bringing its robotics demonstration. Members of the school's Hispanic Leadership Club will do face paint-

Besides participating in the festival's opening ceremonies, astronaut Tani will be on hand to meet Chantilly Day attendees and sign autographs. And once again, pets will be available for adoption.

ENTERTAINMENT

The professional entertainers will be rising-star, singersongwriter Tommy Gann, who performs original music and popular radio hits, and neoclassical guitarist Matthew Mills, who combines contemporary acoustic music with the influence of Flamenco guitar. And from the local community, there'll be performances by Creative Dance Center and by Chantilly High's Jazz Ensemble, Latin Dance Club and Hip Hop Dance Club.

STAGE ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE

11 a.m. - Opening Ceremonies -Color Guard

Noon - Creative Dance Center 12:30 p.m. - CHS Jazz Group 2 p.m. - Tommy Gann

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Lindsay **Hyde of Café Rio serves** up some food at last year's event.

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Meet Astronaut Daniel Tani

a master of science degree in mechanical engineering from MIT. After working on the STS-51 mission in September 1993, he became launch operations manager for the Pegasus program at Orbital Sciences Corporation in Dulles, Va.

In that capacity, he headed the development of procedures and constraints for the launching of the Pegasus unmanned rocket. He also trained and led the team of engineers who worked in the launch and control room.

Selected as an astronaut candidate by NASA

in April 1996, Tani completed two years of training and evaluation and qualified for flight assignment as a mission specialist in 1998. In 2002, he was a crew member on the Aquarius undersea research habitat as part of NASA's Extreme Environment Mission Operations.

Tani then trained for and qualified as the backup flight engineer for Expedition 11.

After his flight on Expedition 16, he became branch chief of the International Space Station branch. He also served as a capsule communicator for the International Space Station and for Expedition 26.

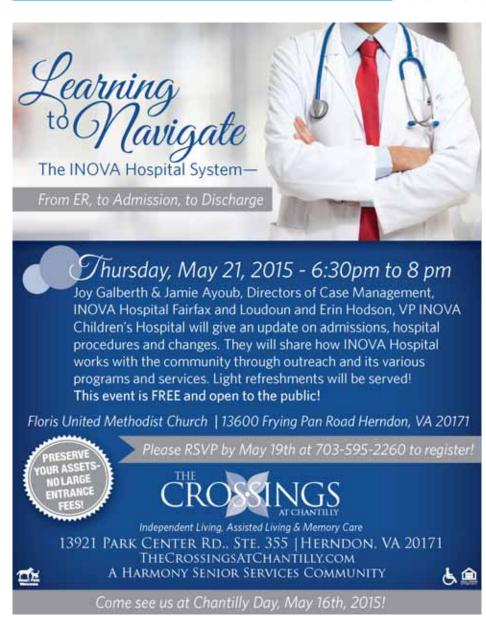
Tani flew on STS-108 Endeavour (Dec. 5-17, 2001), the 12th shuttle flight to visit the International Space Station. Endeavour's crew delivered the Expedition 4 crew and returned the Expedition 3 crew to Earth. The crew unloaded more than three tons of supplies and science experiments, and Tani performed a spacewalk.

STS-108 did 185 Earth orbits, traveling 4.8 million miles in 283 hours, 36 minutes, including a spacewalk lasting 4 hours,

12 minutes.

On his second spaceflight, Tani served as Expedition-16 flight engineer and spent 120 days living and working aboard the International Space Station. While there, he performed numerous robotic operations in support of the installation, logging 34 hours, 59 minutes during five spacewalks. He left NASA in August 2012 to become vice president of Mission and Cargo Operations in Orbital Sciences Corp.'s Advanced Programs Group.







CHANTILLY DAY GUIDE

Food, Fun and Music

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3 p.m. - Matthew Mills

4 p.m. - Hip Hop, Bollywood and Napalese dancing

Note: Schedule is subject to change.

TASTE OF CHANTILLY

Offering food for a variety of palates will be the Chantilly National Golf Club, Golly Waffles, Chickfil-A, Paisano's, Bungalow Billiards, Tailgator Toby NOVA, and The Similans Thai Eatery.

BUSINESS EXPO

The Westfields Business Owners Association welcomes everyone to this year's Business Expo. It gives area residents a chance to see what's available to them in their community. And many will be offering giveaways and prizes to people who visit their tables.

"We have a wonderful array of businesses, ranging from home improvements to health organizations and adventure companies," said Chamber of Commerce spokeswoman Patrice Gerideau. "The new Walmart, due to open in South Riding this July, will be there to hire its staff. Frying Pan Farm Park is bringing some four-legged friends, and Kids Swim First will offer opportunities for summer (and beyond) fun."

This year's business expo features a myriad of local businesses, including the food vendors," she continued. "The chamber extends special thanks to our presenting sponsor Kaiser Permanente, promotional sponsors 110RPM, TriVision Studios, the Chantilly Connection and Centre View newspapers, host spon-

sor Beatty Management and all our sponsors for making Chantilly Day 2015 possible."

DONATE FOOD TO WFCM

Chantilly Day also includes a food drive for Western Fairfax Christian Ministries (WFCM). This Chantilly-based, nonprofit provides food, clothing and emergency financial aid to local families people in need.

But it needs help restocking its food pantry to gear up for summer when the need is greatest. That's when many children who depend on free and reducedpriced breakfasts and lunches in school no longer have food to eat.

So people attending Chantilly Day are asked to bring with them nonperishable food to donate to WFCM. For each food item they contribute, they'll receive a raffle ticket for prizes, so those bringing the most items to the table outside the Kmart entrance will have the best chance to win.

OFF-SITE PARKING, SHUTTLE

Staybridge Suites will run a shuttle from the corner of Centreville Road and Skyhawk Drive to and from the festival throughout the day. The satellite parking lot will be at 3900 Skyhawk Drive, with shuttle service available every 15 minutes during the festival.

Attendees may also walk the approximately quarter mile to the festival from the parking lot. Festival visitors are asked to not park in front of Kmart and Babies R Us, since their limited parking is only for the use of store customers.

Business Expo

The Westfields Business Owners Association welcomes everyone to this year's Business Expo. Below are some of the businesses confirmed to participate at this year's event:

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Air and Space Self Storage Ameritech Construction Corporation Bath Fitter Blue Collar Objects Boy Scouts of America Britto Orthodontics Burke & Herbert Bank Cafe Rio Cellular Sales of VA, LLC Center for Vein Restoration Chantilly Chiropractic Center Chantilly Regional Library Chantilly Youth Association Chasing Auras Photography CMIT Solutions of Centreville Cox Communications Inc. **Dulles Area Transportation** Association (DATA)

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Frying Pan Farm Park
Gideon's International
Glory Days Grill
Home Fix Custom Remodel
InTouch Credit Union
ITT Technical Institute
Kids First Swim Schools
Kitchen Saver
Kwon's Champion School
MainStreet Bank
New York Life, Vienna
Northern Virginia Volleyball
Association

Oakton Baptist Church
Paradise Smiles of Chantilly
Patient First
PNC Bank - Dulles 28
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OPINION

Hunger Is Widespread

Saturday, May 9, is the postal carriers food drive; put a sturdy bag with food donation next to your mailbox that morning.

ger in every county in the United States, including here in Northern

In Fairfax, there are 67,190 people EDITORIAL who are food insecure, (facing hunger at some point monthly) which is more than 6 percent of the population, according to a report by Feeding America.

In Arlington, 8.7 percent of the population is food insecure, 18,750 people. In Alexandria, 10.8 percent of the population faces hunger at least monthly, that's 15,540 people.

You can see the national data by county in an interactive map: map.feedingamerica.org/

ON SATURDAY, MAY 9, as they deliver mail,

here are families dealing with hun- postal carriers will collect donations of nonperishable food left by residents near their mail boxes. They will be joined by retired letter car-

riers, by family members and friends, and by volunteers to help collect and distribute the sacks of non-perishable food items that get left next to mailboxes that

People are encouraged to leave a sturdy bag containing non-perishable foods such as canned soup; canned vegetables; canned meats and fish; pasta; peanut butter; rice or cereal next to their mailbox before the regular mail delivery on Saturday. Carriers will bring the food to local food banks, pantries and shel-

The annual food drive is held in more than

10,000 cities and towns in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and Guam. Last year almost 73 million pounds of food was collected in the one-day event for people in need throughout the United

CHILDREN ARE AFFECTED by hunger disproportionately, with nearly 30 percent of students in Fairfax County Public Schools poor enough to receive subsidized meals at school, which is an incredible 51,968 students. That percentage is more than 31 percent in Arlington with more than 7,700 students poor enough to get meal benefits. In Alexandria, 60 percent of students are poor enough to get meal benefits; that's almost 8,600 students.

Many of these students go hungry on weekends, during school closures for bad weather and in the summer. More on that soon.

In the meantime, leave a bag of food out by your mailbox on Saturday.

MARY KIMM

Law Enforcement, the Mentally Ill and the Pursuit of Justice

BY STACEY A. KINCAID SHERIFF, FAIRFAX COUNTY

cross the nation, people are having serious discussions about how to alter the dynamic that too often exists between some law enforcement officers and individuals. Out of each case, we learn something that will help us go forward. So, as justice pursues its course in Fairfax County with re-

gard to the tragic death of Natasha McKenna, let's not lose sight of the real underlying problem: the sys-

temic mishandling of mentally ill patients who have few or no resources, and law enforcement's struggle to deal with untreated or undertreated individuals.

There is a teachable moment here for those of us who have dedicated our lives to law en-

forcement and for members of the community who believe in dignity and fairness for those who come into contact with the criminal justice system.

All of us are eager — and many are impatient — for the investigation into Ms. McKenna's death to be concluded. This incident has not been forgotten or ignored. From the beginning, the Sheriff's Office has cooper-

ated with the investigation fully. The recent completion of a report by the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner means the investigation is nearing a

close. I have not offered more than passing comment because, as both a law enforcement official and a citizen, I do not want to prejudice the outcome of an investigation in advance of the facts by answering questions to which I do not have the answers, or by anticipating

actions I might take once all the facts are known. I admit to having been disappointed that someone chose to release internal documents — for the same reasons I think anyone interested in justice and fairness would be.

In the meantime, and for the foreseeable future, our jail will continue to be a warehouse for individuals with mental illness who have been unable or unwilling to access effective clinical care, social services and housing in the community.

About 40 percent of the inmates in our jail have been identified as needing some level of mental health care during their incarceration. More than a quarter have a serious mental illness — often combined with a substance abuse disorder — that requires intervention, regular treatment and medication management. The SEE KINCAID. PAGE 11

Garza Calls on Community to Help #saveFCPS

COMMENTARY

Superintendent says FCPS faces deficit of more than \$100 million; FCPS excellence at risk.

Statement from Fairfax County Public Schools Superintendent Karen K. Garza following the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors passage of the Fairfax County Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 budget:

nce again, we find that the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors has failed to fully fund Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS). This is extremely disheartening — we entered this budget year making a good faith effort to work collaboratively with the Board of Supervisors.

We worked for nearly a year with the County Executive and the Board of Supervisors to develop a reasonable budget that met only the very minimal needs of FCPS, and in the end they did not deliver.

Supervisors are sending a clear message that they are unconcerned about the increasing challenges of our students, our teachers, and our schools. The supervisors refused to fully fund our budget for the 2015-16 school year (FY 2016), when faced with a nominal \$7.6 million deficit. We have grave concerns as to what will happen in the 2016-17 (FY 2017) school year when we face a devastating shortfall of more than \$100 million.

The entire Fairfax County community has a critical decision to make: either we invest the necessary funds in our students and schools, or we will have to work together to decide what to cut — and we cannot cut our way to excel-

Due to years of chronic underfunding coupled with a decade of significant enrollment growth and increasing student needs, we will not be able to sustain the current quality nor the full range of academic programming we currently offer our students. We have sought to protect the classroom to date, but with the scale of the FY 2017 shortfall, we will have to take a serious look at the programs that we must cut starting in the 2016-17 school year. These cuts will likely affect all current academic programming including limiting elective choices, reducing career and technical programs, impacting advanced offerings, and again raising class sizes at all levels. We must make these difficult choices by December 2015 because students begin their course selections in January 2016.

Since 2008, we have cut 2,175 positions and

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Entertainment



The Heritage India Festival Comes to Chantilly

Rushhi Entertainment's 14th annual festival will celebrate Indian culture with a dance competition, live performances, shopping and food. The Festival will take place at 12-9 p.m. on Saturday, 12-7 p.m. on Sunday at Dulles Expo Center, 4368 Chantilly Shopping Center, Chantilly. Admission is \$5 for adults, free for children under 5. Visit www.hifestival.com.

Email announcements to chantilly @connectionnewspapers.com. Include date, time, location, description and contact for event: phone, email and/or website. Photos and artwork welcome. Deadline is Thursday at noon, at least two weeks before event.

ONGOING

Family Fridays Movie Series.

Fridays at sunset through June 26, at The Manassas Campus of Northern Virginia Community College, 6901 Sudley Road, Manassas. Admission is \$3, free with NOVA ID. Visit www.novamanassas.wix.com/

- Sully Historic Site. 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly. Enjoy guided tours of the 1794 home of Northern Virginia's first Congressman, Richard Bland Lee. \$7/adult; \$6/student; \$5/ senior and child. Hours are 11 a.m.-4 p.m. 703-437-1794.
- Singing. 7:30 p.m. at Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 13421 Twin Lakes Drive, Clifton. The Fairfax Jubil-Aires rehearse every Wednesday which includes training by an awardwinning director. Visit www.fairfaxjubilaires.org for more.
- "Creating Across the City."

Through June at Dulles International Airport. Three organizations; Critical Exposure, The National Building Museum and ARTLAB+ have teamed up for "Creating Across the City: A Teen Art Showcase," which provides an outlet through art and design for creative local teens.

CAMPS, CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Young Actors' Workshop. Rising students in grades 2-6 may participate in a workshop 9 a.m.-12 p.m., July 20-24 at Westfield High School, 4700 Stonecroft Blvd, Chantilly. The fee is \$125. Visit www.westfieldtheatreboosters.com.

2015 Summer Programs.

Registration is now open for the following Fairfax County Public Schools summer camps. Students should register for programs based on the grade they are in during the current 2014-15 school year. Visit www.fcps.edu/is/summer/index.shtml for more.

- * Tech Adventure Camp will be held July 20-31 at Robinson Secondary School from 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. for students currently in grades 5-7. This camp allows students to explore careers and technology by rotating through eight areas including graphic design, automotive technology, culinary arts, television production, robotics, and computer technology.
- * STEM Camp. Held in two sessions at Robinson Secondary School: July 6-10 and July 13-17 both from 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m., daily. STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) Camp is a one-week camp for students currently in grades 3-5 to explore careers and technology as they rotate through activities focused on science.
- ***** Elementary Institute for the

Arts. Held July 13-24 at Robinson Secondary School from 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. daily, Monday through Friday. Designed for students currently in grades 3-5, E-IFTA offers participants a total immersion in the arts as they rotate through classes in dance, drama, music, and visual art.

- drama, music, and visual art.

 * Institute for the Arts. Held July 6-30 at Robinson Secondary School from 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. daily, Monday through Friday. Designed for students currently in grades 6-11, IFTA allows students to create, perform, experiment, and explore—all in various music, dance, visual art, and theatre venues.
- ❖ Robinson Extended Day Adult and Community Education Enrichment. Programs will be held July 6-31 at Robinson Secondary School and will begin after Tech Adventure Camp, STEM Camp, IFTA and E-IFTA end. These programs are for students currently in grades 1-11 and will provide a continuum of activities for students who want additional programs and activities. Programs will include the Foreign Language Experience Program (FLEX), Culinary Adventure Camp, Language Immersion Camp, Creative Writing, Computer Graphics, and
- Credit Recovery Academy. This program will be held at Fairfax High School for students seeking credit for high school level courses. Students will be able to take one course during each of the two sessions from June 29-July 16 and July 20-Aug 4
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SPORTS



Senior catcher Grant Bain is the Chantilly baseball team's only returning full-time starter.



Chantilly outfielder Jared Enders went 2-for-2 with a triple and an RBI against Herndon on May 1.

Chantilly Baseball Aiming for Return to State Final

Senior pitcher Hogle tosses complete game in win over Herndon.

By Jon Roetman The Connection

any of the athletes who helped the Chantilly baseball program reach the 2014 6A state championship game have graduated. Head coach Kevin Ford, however, thinks this year's group has what it takes to get back to the big game.

If Friday's performance against Herndon is any indication, Ford might be on to something.

Senior pitcher Matt Hogle tossed a

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— Chantilly baseball coach Kevin Ford

three hits and the Chargers kept alive their hopes for the No. 1 seed in the Conference 5 tournament with a 7-1 victory on May 1 at Chantilly High School.

The Chargers took a 2-0 lead in the bottom of the second inning thanks to an RBI triple by outfielder Jared

Enders and a sacrifice fly by outfielder Forrest Wagner. That's all Hogle would need as the right-hander held Herndon scoreless until the seventh in-

The victory improved the Chargers' record to 12-4, including 5-2 in the conference. The win put Chantilly in a second-place tie with Herndon, one game behind first-place Oakton.

"We played great — all facets of the game," Ford said. "We swung the bat well, we

had good approaches, good swings at the plate, Matt threw strikes. The biggest thing tonight was he threw his offspeed pitches for strikes and stayed ahead and got them to roll over on a couple pitches and got a couple quick outs."

Hogle, the No. 3 pitcher on last year's team, threw a first-pitch strike to 15 of the 24 batters he faced Friday. "My changeup was working really well tonight," he said. "It was hitting its spot, made them roll over

complete game, allowing one run on a few times, that's what we wanted to do with that pitch. We were throwing offspeed first and second pitch, their hitting count, because one of our coaches gave us info that they jump on the fastball, so we were working with that."

> Senior catcher Grant Bain, Chantilly's only returning full-time starter, praised Hogle's effort.



Chantilly senior Matt Hogle pitched a complete game against Herndon on May 1, allowing one run on three hits.

"Hogle was [throwing well] and we were hitting the ball well," Bain said. "[When] those two things are happening, we're going to win every game."

How has Hogle improved?

"I think he's been a little more consistent with his pitches and throwing strikes and getting ahead and having a little more control of spotting pitches," Ford said. "Last year, I think he struggled a little bit with that. But this year, he's been solid every time out. Every time out he's given us a great effort, kept it to just a couple runs and when we play defense, it's gone pretty well.

"When we swing it like tonight and play

defense, we play pretty well."

The Chantilly lineup tallied eight hits. Enders went 2-for-2 with a triple and an RBI and first baseman Brady Ryan was 2-for-2 with a double and an RBI. Designated hitter Matt Padeway finished 1-for-4 with a two-run single, and Bain was 1-for-4 with an RBI double. Outfielder Andrew Kim and shortstop Brett Norwood each had one hit.

The victory was Chantilly's fifth in its last six games. Entering action on May 5, the Chargers were the only Conference 5 team to defeat Oakton, which won 13 of its first 15 games.

How have the Chargers maintained success despite graduating so many key players, including top pitchers Eason Recto and Austin Margarida?

"We have a talented group," Ford said. "When they put their minds to it, to have a good approach to the game and take care of their job and take what the game gives

them and adjust as the game goes on, we're very good."

Chantilly was scheduled to face Robinson on Tuesday, after The Connection's deadline. The Chargers will travel to face West Potomac at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 6, and Oakton on Friday, May 8.

"I think we can do what we did last year," Ford said. "The playoffs are sometimes luck ... so you can't ever really walk into it saying I expect to do this. I don't think there's anybody we can't compete with."

Bain is confident in the Chargers, as well. "Win states," the senior catcher said. "That's always the goal."

WELLBEING

Healthy Relationships for Life

Researchers say meaningful friendships help preserve health.

By Marilyn Campbell The Connection

ill and Betty Kenealy, of Springfield, make it a point to socialize regularly with their long-time friends, many of whom are other couples they met through work and through the activities of their five children. They've watched their children become adults, worked, retired and even survived cancer. Now they're living together in a retirement community in Springfield. Bill is 85 and Betty is 81.

"We enjoy meeting for dinner on a regular basis or playing cards or dominoes and Bingo," said Bill.

One of those couples is George and Peggy White, both 80. They met when Bill and George were stationed together in the military. Both couples speak fondly of the strength they get from their friendships.

"All of us have different stories and have different backgrounds," said Peggy White, 80. "It's been an interesting and rewarding."

Healthy friendships and strong social connections provide more than interest, say researchers. They are vital to one's mental, physical and emotional wellbeing. A study by the National Institutes of Health show that people who are socially isolated are more likely to die of heart disease than those who have close relationships. While it might be more challenging to make friends as one ages, the benefits are worth the effort say researchers.

"Research shows that social connections are more important for health, longevity and cognitive functioning than any other variable," said Linda Gulyn, professor of psychology at Marymount University in Arlington. "Social support ... increased likelihood of getting proper health care, compliance with health treatments, diet, activity [and] mental health."

A HEALTHY SOCIAL NET-**WORK** is credited with longevity. "Social support at all stages of the lifespan reduces people's stress levels, and this in turn promotes physical health," said Linda Cote-Reilly, Ph.D., associate professor of psychology at Marymount University. Seniors who have active social connections are better able to fight disease, they experience greater psychological well-being and reduced incidence of depression, Cote-Reilly said.

Social isolation can lead to depression and physical health is-

"One of the things that research has shown is that social isolation is a killer," said Dominique S. Hubbard, professor of psychology who studies social exclusion and ostracism at Northern Virginia Community College. "One of the most fundamental things that we need is meaningful social connec-

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— Dominique S. Hubbard,

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In fact, researchers point to a variety of studies that link health and longevity with fulfilling relationships.

"There is this really amazing study done in Alameda County, Calif.,

that followed almost 5,000 residents for nine years, and found that the best predictor of mortality rates were people who indicated they had few meaningful relationships, meaning that people who answered they had many meaningful relationships were more likely to be alive than those with few," said Georgeana Stratton, Ph.D., (associate professor of psychology at Northern Virginia Community College in Ster-

Seniors are more susceptible to the harmful effects of a dearth of companions. "Isolation is potentially very damaging to all of us, but most especially to seniors."

said Pamela Stewart, assistant dean of psychology, Northern Virginia Community College, Annandale campus. "Friendships keep us balanced and generally more positive. They help to keep us busy, can give us a focus and keep us more happily engaged in the world around us."

Retiring and relocating creates challenges when attempting to maintain existing friendships. "Unfortunately, for many the pool of friends becomes smaller as one ages," said Stewart. "We lose touch with our former work mates and a fair percentage of our friends

> mav moved away or passed away."

> Those who are no longer in situations that offer natural opportunities for social interactions can still recreate a circle of friends.

"Seniors can replace those by adding new things," said

Hubbard. "Consider joining a class or a bridge club. The key is to have consistent, positive interactions."

While social media has made staying in touch with friends easier for some, there are dangers. "Unfortunately, there is a negative correlation between time spent on social networking sites and the internet in general and the time spent with friends," said Stratton. "Also, several studies indicate that more time on Internet predicts depression. So while in-person relationships are great buffers for stress and protect physical and mental health, online relationships may actually... hurt mental health and social connections."



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"CT Looked Good"

By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Cryptic? Hardly. Words I can live with the for the next three months until my next CT Scan? Absolutely. I'm going to stop now before I make this initial paragraph a priceless MasterCard moment. What this column is about, however, is an update about the good-make-that-great news I received electronically from my oncologist late Friday afternoon, two days after I had completed my most recent CT Scan, and a full week before our next face-to-face appointment, when the scan results both good and bad are typically shared and discussed. And though my oncologist understands and appreciates per last week's column – that waiting is excruciating for the patient/survivor; his fear of providing misinformation and/or misinterpreting the radiologist's report, and in turn my overreacting to one or the other, accounts for the timeline that probably doesn't suit either one of us.

Nevertheless, it is what it is, it's what it has been and I doubt, living into the future, it will be any different. Writing a column or two about its drag on my coefficient is healthy enough, I suppose (better to get it out than to keep it in, the mental health professional might say). But I'm guessing the correlating/paralleling universe might be that obsessing/"compulsing" over something I can't change is likely not good for this soul or psyche either. And if there's any substance to the anecdotal claim that cancer patients/survivors who can eliminate some stress from their lives will have a better outcome/ longer life, then the sooner I understand and accept control and/or lack thereof, with respect to my treatment/process/ overall cancer experience (maybe a few other areas, too), the more rewarding my future will be. As Clint Eastwood said near the end of Magnum Force: "a man got to know his limitations," so too must a patient know and accept his.

I likely can't change how and when my doctor communicates to/with me, though. He has procedures; I have mine. He has rules, preferences, timelines, etc. As the patient, I would say mine are probably different. As to the oncologist who has kept me alive six-years-going-on-seven after originally giving me a "13-month to two-year" prognosis, my reply to his e-mail was more wordy: "Thank God and thank you! Now we can relax a little bit until we see you at our next appointment on the 24th." To say we're looking forward to that next appointment would be a bit naïve. Still, we're not in fear for our lives, as sometimes has been the case.

Once in-office, we'll look at the computer and compare the two previous scans, and likely evaluate and discuss the past, present and future. These meetings are as much about strategy as anything else. I certainly don't expect any guarantees, nor do I expect any warm and fuzzies. I'm sure he'll be smiling as will we, and be grateful as well, for our amazing good fortune. Nevertheless, this is an extremely serious business with an unpredictable outcome. Moreover, as much as I appreciate MasterCard's "Stand Up To Cancer" campaign; being a cancer patient is hardly priceless. In fact, it's all it's cracked up to be. That being said, when the three words typed in your e-mail subject box are the title of this column, for the moment, all is right in your world until the next scan of course, three months hence. It's a cycle of loom for sure, but it sure beats the gloom it could have otherwise been.

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OPINION

Kincaid

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Sheriff's Office is working to improve mental health care at the jail, but as of this writing, we have no available options to properly divert individuals under arrest and avoid unnecessary incarceration. In no way whatsoever is this intended to justify inappropriate, improper or illegal behavior by law enforcement officers anywhere; it is simply a fact.

As I have done for years, I will continue to advocate locally and in Virginia for more treatment centers for minor offenders who are seriously mentally ill and would be better served in a mental health facility than in a jail.

I have pledged my 28-year career with the Sheriff's Office in service to the safety, security and well being of all Fairfax County residents, and to do so as fairly and transparently as possible. I will continue to work with mental health organizations in search of solutions to an intractable problem facing vulnerable individuals for whom all of us, out of nothing more than common human compassion, must assume some responsibility.

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nearly a half-billion dollars from our budget affecting every school and department. We have fallen so far behind in teacher salaries that we are no longer competitive and are losing talented staff to neighboring school districts. Our teachers are the reason FCPS students excel and achieve. Losing our most experienced teachers will have a significant effect on student performance and will ultimately affect the reputation of

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I hope our community will join me to #saveFCPS.

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SATURDAY-SUNDAY/MAY 9-10

The Heritage India Festival. 12-9 p.m. on Saturday, 12-7 p.m. on

Sunday at Dulles Expo Center, 4368 Chantilly Shopping Center, Chantilly. Rushhi Entertainment's 14th annual festival will celebrate Indian culture with a dance competition, live performances, shopping and food. \$5 for adults, free for children under 5. Visit www.hifestival.com.

SUNDAY/MAY 10

Mother's Day Mimosa and Pastry

Bar. 11 a.m. at Paradise Springs Winery, 13219 Yates Ford Road. Find maple bacon sticky buns, muffins, croissants and more alongside mimosas. Items may be purchased a la carte while supplies last. Visit www.paradisespringswinery.com.

TUESDAY/MAY 12

Audition Workshop. 6:30 p.m. at Westfield High School, 4700 Stonecroft Blvd. Westfield Summer Stage is looking for students throughout the Northern Virginia area to participate in their staging of Mary Poppins. Free to attend. Call 484-574-8760 or visit www.westfieldtheatreboosters.com

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/MAY 15-17

International Gem & Jewelry

Show. 12-6 p.m. on Friday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. on Sunday at Dulles Expo Center, 4320 Chantilly Shopping Center, Chantilly. Diamonds and other gems from retailers from around the world. Children 8 and under are not permitted. Tickets are \$8. Visit www.intergem.com.

SATURDAY/MAY 16 Call for Auditions. 9 a.m. at

Mountain View School, 5775 Spindle Court, Centreville. Westfield Summer Stage is looking for students throughout the Northern Virginia area to participate in their staging of "Mary Poppins." Students who choose to audition will be required to sing a song, dance, and perform a one-minute monologue of their choosing. Free to attend, but if accepted, there is a \$300 workshop fee. Call 484-574-8760 or visit www.westfieldtheatreboosters.com.

Chantilly Day. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. at Sully Plaza Parking Lot, 13910 Metrotech Dr., Chantilly. Find a Business Expo, the Taste of Chantilly, Children's games, rides, stage performances by local groups, Educator of the Year awards and Pet adoptions. Free. See www.chantillyday.com.

Meritage Blending Class. 1-3 p.m. at Paradise Springs Winery, 13219 Yates Ford Road, Clifton. Learn to make your own 2014 Meritage. Tickets are \$55. Call 703-830-9463.

Clifton Caboose Twilight Run. 6 p.m. at the Barn, 7139 Main St., Clifton. Participate in the 1-mile or 5K race. There will be a post-race party with food and live music. The 5K race has a \$24 registration fee, the 1-mile run has a \$20 fee.

WEDNESDAY/MAY 20

"Target America: Why You Should Care About the Rise of ISIS." p.m. at Fairview Elementary School, 5815 Ox Road, Fairfax Station. Investigative journalist and author Erick Stakelbeck will present a program on fundamentalist group ISIS. Free. Visit www.cliftongop.com

SATURDAY/MAY 23 Brain OlympicsRx. 12-4 p.m. at LearningRx-Fairfax, 10513 Braddock Road, Suite C-D, Fairfax. As part of a national initiative to raise awareness about the brain's ability to change at any age, LearningRx brain training centers across the United States are holding a Brain OlympicsRx event. For every person who participates, LearningRx-Fairfax will donate \$10 to Brain Injury Services. Free. Contact Rebecca Oliver at fairfax.va@learningrx.net.

SUNDAY-MONDAY/MAY 24-25

Art Guild Show and Sale. 12-5 p.m., artists' reception 5-8 p.m. on Sunday, at The Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road. Artists will display and sell work from a variety of genres and styles. Admission is free for museum members and children 4 and under, \$2 for children 5-15, and \$4 for everyone else. Visit www.fairfaxstation.org.

FRIDAY/MAY 29

Jazz Concert. 7-9 p.m. at Centreville High School, 6001 Union Mill Road, Clifton. The JazzCats Café features Centreville High School JazzCats plus trumpeter Dave Detwiler and his "White House Band." Advance tickets are \$8. Tickets are \$10 at the door. Email jazzcatstix@yahoo.com.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/MAY 29-31

Quilting Expo. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Sunday at Dulles Expo Center, 4320 Chantilly Shopping Center, Chantilly. More than 600 quilts and wearable art and clothing will be on display. Vendors will be offering fabric and other quilting needs. A one-day pass is \$10, three-day pass is \$15; children 12 and under are admitted at no cost. Visit www.quiltersunlimited.org.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/MAY 30-31

Vintage Virginia Wine Festival. 11 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. on Sunday. The 34th of its kind, the festival will feature food trucks, vintage cars, music and wine. \$30 in advance, \$35 at the gate. Visit www.vintagevirginia.com.

SUNDAY/MAY 31

Book Signing. 1-4 p.m. at Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road, Fairfax Station. Historian Mary Lipsey will be signing copies of her book, "A Christmas Flight: Aviation Pioneer, Dr. William Christmas." Admission for museum members and children 4 and under is free, \$2 for children 5-15, and \$4 for all else. Visit www.fairfax-station.org.

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 3

Civil War Forum. 7:30 p.m. at The Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road. "Southern Civilians in Southern Prisons" is a program presented by Burke Historical Society President Jon Vrana, who will give a firstperson soliloquy of local civilians from Fairfax, Loudoun, and Prince William counties who were arrested during the Civil War. Free. Visit www.fairfax-station.org.

SATURDAY/JUNE 6

Run. 8:30 a.m. at the Chantilly Highlands neighborhood, Franklin to Jannine Parisi who died on Nov.

Born to Run Memorial 5K and Fun Middle School will dedicate this race 20, 2013 as the result of a domestic incident. Registration starts at \$15. Visit www.prracing.enmotive.com.

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