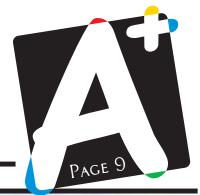
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'Showing the Soul of a Community'

County, private sector unite to build workforce housing.

By Bonnie Hobbs Centre View

ith an eye toward providing workforce housing in the local area, Fairfax County recently broke ground on a 270-unit apartment complex in Fair Oaks.

"This is a celebration in many ways and a great day for Fairfax County," said Greg Lamb, executive vice president of the Jefferson Apartment Group, the project's developer. "It took determination, dedication, persistence and commitment."

He was speaking May 5 in the county Government Center's forum, during a ceremony prior to the groundbreaking. The apartments are being built on countyowned land off Monument Drive, on the Government Center's perimeter, so they're named Residences at the Government Center.

On some 9 acres across from the Fairfax Corner shopping center, they'll offer a 5,800-square-foot amenity space including an outdoor pool, fenced playground, two courtyards and connections to walking trails. The apartments will include green and energy-saving features and will be available to

20 Cappie Nominations

The 2014-15 Cappie nominations for high-school

theater were announced Monday night, May 18, with

the three local schools garnering a total of 20 nomina-

tions. Westfield High received nine nods for its musical, "Pajama Game;" Chantilly High, seven, for the play, "Radium Girls;" and Centreville High, four, for the

The 16th annual Cappies Gala will be held Sunday,

June 7, at 7 p.m., at The Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C., where the winners will be revealed and will

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musical, "Beauty and the Beast.'

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VHDA Executive Director Susan Dewey

people making up to 60 percent of the area median income (AMI).

Calling it a great addition to the county, Robert Schwaninger, chairman of the county's Redevelopment and Housing Authority (FCRHA), said it took nine years to bring it to fruition. And Lamb said it was actually "birthed by Congressman Gerry Connolly (D-11)" when he was the Board of Supervisors chairman in November 2006 and made ending homelessness one of the county's eventual goals.

After the recession hit in 2008, the county asked first responders



Dignitaries and stakeholders officially break ground for Residences at the Government Center.

if they'd live in Fairfax County if affordable housing were built for their income levels, and 68 percent said yes. A plan to build it was proposed and approved, and construction documents and permits were obtained through 2013. But, said Lamb, "Rising interest costs made it unfinanceable."

However, in June 2014, the project became the first of its kind in Virginia to structure the financing via a combination of both 9-percent and 4-percent tax-credit allocations from the Virginia Hous-

ing Development Authority (VHDA, plus tax-exempt bonds from the FCRHA and other financing sources. It's a public-private partnership between the county, the FCRHA, Jefferson Apartment Group and Stratford Capital Group.

The apartment complex will be LEED-certified, with its marketing targeted to Fairfax County employees, although availability won't be restricted to them. And besides being affordable to households earning up to 60 percent AMI, at least 20 percent of the units are geared for households at or below 50 percent AMI.

Paradigm Construction Co. is the general contractor. There'll be studio, plus one-, two- and three-bedroom apartments. For people with yearly incomes of \$38,000-\$70,000, the rents will range from \$1,000-\$1,700 per unit. Site work actually began in April, and the

first apartment is expected to be available for occupancy by October 2016.

Steve Wilson, president of Stratford Capital, which provided the financial backing for this project, also spoke during the ceremony. He said the Residences will improve the quality of life for those living there, but "We've only just begun. This was a real Rubik's cube of a deal with lots of moving parts, but we were able to do it."

"The affordable-housing problem continues to grow every year — especially in large, metropolitan areas — and Northern Virginia is no exception," continued Wilson. "We couldn't have done this without help from the local community. The county provided the land, effectively, at no cost to the developer."

"What we're celebrating today is

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CHANTILLY

Marketing and Publicity Lighting: Walker Jones, Ben Klosky, Sofia Ott Sets: Justine Huh, Michael Klosson, Nate Little, Ashley Shao Makeup Creativity: Music composition by Claire Hewer and Jenny

Lead Actress in a Play: Mia Rickenbach

WESTFIELD

Returning Critic: Alexa Tucker Graduating Critic: Zoe Hawryluk Choreography: Meredith Mehegan and Ola Pozo Featured Actor: David Koenigsberg

Female Dancer: Meredith Mehegan

Male Dancer: Connor Rudy Female Vocalist: Emily Cervarich Comic Actress in a Musical: Jessica Swanson

Critic Team

— Bonnie Hobbs

receive trophies. Below are the specific nominations each school received:

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The Board of Supervisors named the 2015 Lords and Ladies Fairfax on Tuesday, May 12.

Sully's Lord and Lady Fairfax

Jerrold L. Foltz and Bonnie L. Hobbs are Lord and Lady Fairfax from Sully District.

elebrate Fairfax, Inc. announced the 2015 Lords and Ladies Fairfax at the Board of Supervisors meeting on Tuesday, May 12 at the Fairfax County Government Center.

"The tradition of honoring Lords and Ladies Fairfax began in 1984 to recognize exceptional citizens of Fairfax County," according to Celebrate Fairfax. The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors selects two people from each district who have demonstrated superior volunteer service, heroism or other special accomplishments.

Sully District Michael R. Frey named Bonnie L. Hobbs and Jerrold L. Foltz as his Lady and Lord Fairfax.

Hobbs has covered Centreville for the Centre View community newspaper for the past 20 years.

"She has made tremendous contributions in giving neighborhoods a sense of identity, as well as highlighting the many positive aspects of Centreville.

From the athletic prowess of our Little League teams, to the accomplishments of the elementary school robotics team, to Adopt a Highway cleanups of local churches, no event is too obscure for Ms. Hobbs to cover," he said.

"She also has an amazing ability to rally community support with public interest stories of children and residents with lifethreatening illnesses. Fostering public awareness of land use, transportation and many other local projects, she always encourages public input and lets readers know how they can get involved."

The Rev. Dr. Jerrold L. Foltz is a retired, ordained minister in the United Church of Christ and was the organizing pastor of Wellspring United Church of Christ in Centreville, according to Frey.

"Rev. Dr. Foltz and Mrs. Foltz, have been instrumental with the Centreville Immigration Forum and the Centreville Labor Resource Center," he said. "In addition, he has organized a non-profit food co-op, a local chapter of Habitat for Humanity, and is the Sully District representative on the Human Services Council."

Foltz has served as volunteer chaplain with the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department and assists the Centreville Volunteer Fire Dept. Station 17. "As part of the Disaster Ministries Network of the United Church of Christ, Rev. Dr. Foltz has led recovery and rebuilding efforts all over the U.S. and in other countries," said Frey.

The Lords and Ladies will be honored at a special dinner hosted by Great American Restaurants, Celebrate Fairfax, Inc., and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, on Tuesday, June 2, 2015.

— Ken Moore

Lord and Lady Fairfax at Large

Bulova names Kate Hanley and Lt. Col. John P. McAnaw as Lady and Lord Fairfax at large.

airfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova named Katherine K. Hanley, former board chairman, as this year's At-Large Lady

Hanley was first elected to the Fairfax County School Board, then the Board of Supervisors as the Providence District supervisor and then as Board of Supervisors chairman

"During her tenure, Ms. Hanley worked tirelessly with other members of the board, not only advocating for education, but also for human services and affordable housing. In recognition, a homeless shelter for families, was named after her. Recently additional transitional housing units called 'Kate's Place' were built adjacent to the shelter." said Bulova.

Hanley was instrumental in the establishment of the Revenue Stabilization fund along with a significant investment in building Fairfax County's Information Technology infrastructure, said Bulova. "She was also a great proponent of transportation initiatives, helping to position the Silver Line for federal funding."

After leaving the Board of Supervisors, Hanley served as Secretary of the Commonwealth, and is now on the Metropolitan Washington Airport Authority, the Fairfax County Electoral Board and the Community Services Board. She has led the bipartisan election commission, the committee on the meals tax, an effort that brought together disparate, competing groups who came up with a near unanimous vote to bring a report to the Board of Supervisors, said Bulova.

Bulova cited Lt. Col. John P. McAnaw's love for history, love of country and love of service reasons she named him the 2015 Lord Fairfax.

"Lt. Col. John P. McAnaw is well known for his tireless work to preserve history in Fairfax County," said Bulova. "His love of our past earned him a Lifetime Achievement Award from the History Commission for his decades of service as a Civil War Historian."

The Park Authority honored McAnaw by naming a recreation area for his preservation efforts.

A veteran serving in leadership roles within VFW Post 8469, McAnaw is the past president of the Bull Run Civil War Roundtable. He helped lead the effort to preserve Ox Hill, an important Civil War site. In addition to this, he is also a board member of the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum and has served as a historian for a number of local organizations in Fairfax County.

In his Kings Park West community, McAnaw has served as chairman of the Parks committee, leading numerous efforts to mobilize scouts and volunteers to build and maintain trails throughout the parkland surrounding Royal Lake.

— Ken Moore

News

County, Private Sector Unite To Build Workforce Housing

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a value system — a community that understands we need a mix of housing and that people need to be able to afford to live here," said Connolly. "And I can't thank my colleagues on the Board of Supervisors, years ago, enough for their commitment to make this happen. This is the fulfillment of that pledge — allowing people who want to live here to do so."

Supervisor Cathy Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill) said she was excited about it. "You can talk about something, but you don't have something to celebrate unless you can produce," she said. "And this provides a community people can be a part of. This is one more example of our commitment to affordable housing in Fairfax County, and it's housing where people can live and give back to their community."

"This project's been around so long that it was in the Springfield District and Elaine McConnell was its supervisor when it first started," added Supervisor John Cook (R-Braddock). "It shows how we can build things via partnerships — and things that couldn't have been done any other way. It's also an environmentally friendly building, so we're putting our money where our mouth is and showing we can do what we ask the private sector to do."

Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova called it "a project that refused to die; people stepped in at various times to



Artist's rendition of the apartment complex that'll provide homes for firefighters, police, teachers and other workers who currently can't afford to live in Fairfax County.

save it." And she thanked Connolly for his vision and her board colleagues for "having the courage to make this happen."

Because the developer was able to lease land from the county, and federal low-income, tax credits were obtained, said Bulova, "This is being done at no cost to the county. By providing workforce housing, many young people, low-income families and those having long commutes to jobs here will be able to live here. And because

the property is privately owned, it'll also be a source of revenue for the county. It also illustrates an innovative use of smart growth, going forward."

VHDA Executive Director Susan Dewey said her organization's sole mission is affordable housing, and she thanked everyone involved in this project "on behalf of the 270 families who'll live here. It's difficult to do affordable housing; it takes a long time and a lot of people to put it all to-



Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova

gether." Thanking the supervisors and county staff for making sure the county has affordable housing, she said, "The tax credits amounted to \$26 million of equity that made this project possible."

Agreeing, Schwaninger told those gathered, "Affordable housing is vital because it shows the soul of a community — its compassion. And I ask you to go out and tell others about it."

- ROUNDUPS

Free Carseat Inspections

Certified technicians from the Sully District Police Station will perform free, child safety carseat inspections Thursday, May 21, from 5-8:30 p.m, at the station, 4900 Stonecroft Blvd. in Chantilly. No appointment is necessary. But residents should install the child safety seats themselves so technicians may properly inspect and adjust them, as needed.

Because of time constraints, only the first 35 vehicles arriving on each date will be inspected. That way, inspectors may have enough time to properly instruct the caregiver on the correct use of the child seat. Call 703-814-7000, ext. 5140, to confirm dates and times.

Sully District Council Meeting

The Sully District Council of Citizens Associations and its Land-Use Committee will meet Wednesday, May 27, at 7 p.m., in the Sully District Governmental Center, 4900 Stonecroft Blvd. in Chantilly. On tap is the Richmond report by local legislators in the General Assembly, plus Akridge's Comprehensive Plan amendment for the Westfields area. Call Jeff Parnes, evenings, at 703-904-0131

Food Donations for WFCM

Western Fairfax Christian Ministries' food pantry needs donations of Cooking oil, canned fruit (all types), sugar, canned meats (tuna, ham and chicken), hot cereals, pasta sauce, canned tomatoes, flour, and canned or dry beans.

Toiletries needed, which WFCM clients cannot purchase with food stamps, include facial tissues, toothpaste, shampoo and solid deodorant.

Bring all items to WFCM'S food pantry, weekdays, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m., at 13888 Metrotech Drive, near Papa John's Pizza and Kumon Learning Center, in Chantilly's Sully Place Shopping Center. A volunteer stocker/bagger is needed Wednesdays, 4-6 p.m. Contact Annette Bosley at 703-988-9656, ext. 110, or abosley@wfcmva.org.

Learn about Police Department

Throughout the year, the Fairfax County Police Department will host a series of lectures as part of its 75th anniversary.

- ♦ May 22 The Police Canine (K-9) Team, 1 p.m. at OSB https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-fcpd-canine-k-9-team-tickets-15373824523
- * May 25 The Development of the FCPD Badge, noon at the Massey Building A Level small conference room https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-development-of-the-fcpd-badge-tickets-15373875676
- ❖ June 11 2002 Washington area Sniper Task Force Investigation, 10 a.m. at the Massey Building A Level conference room https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2002-washington-area-sniper-task-force-investigation-tickets-15373977982
- ❖ July 23 The Departments growth in relation to the county's development, 11 a.m. at the Criminal Justice Academy https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-departments-growth-in-relation-to-the-countys-development-tickets-15374059225

- ❖ Aug. 10 − SWAT − Tools, Tactics, and Technology, 11 a.m. at the West Springfield District community room https://www.eventbrite.com/e/swat-tools-tactics-and-technology-tickets-15374108372
- ❖ Sept. 16 Helicopter Division, 10 a.m. at the Criminal Justice Academy https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fcpd-helicopter-division-tickets-15374129435
- ♦ Oct. 2 Early days of Diversity, 11 a.m. at the Massey Building A Level conference room https://www.eventbrite.com/e/early-days-of-diversity-tickets-15374156516
- Nov. 4 Criminal Justice Academy, 11 a.m. at the Criminal Justice Academy https://www.eventbrite.com/e/criminal-justice-academy-tickets-15374248792
- ❖ Dec. 14 Crisis Negotiations Team, 11 a.m. at the Criminal Justice Academy https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fcpd-crisis-negotiations-team-tickets-15374274870

How to Hire CLRC Workers

The Centreville Labor Resource Center (CLRC) serves businesses and homeowners needing help with just about any home remodeling or maintenance project. And local residents who'd like to hire a worker from the CLRC may do so easily. Either call 703-543-6272 or go to www.centrevilleLRC.org and click on the "How to Hire" link. Tell what kind of work is required, how many workers are needed and when.

The CLRC will match the needs to its registered workers' skills and set up the job. The price for work will be negotiated. After the job is completed, employers are encouraged to provide the CLRC with feedback to ensure that the work was done well and to their satisfaction and to make sure the workers are fairly paid.

OPINION

Remembering on Memorial Day 2015

On Memorial Day, take at least one minute to reflect on those who have died.

n Memorial Day, we remember all of those who have died in military service, more than 400,000 in World War II, more than 30,000 in Korea, more than 50,000 in Vietnam.

As many as 620,000 soldiers died in the line of duty in the Civil War, stunningly about 2 percent of the population at that time. To compare, while more than 2.5 million soldiers have served in Iraq and Afghanistan, that number is still less than one percent of the U.S.

Since Sept. 11, 2001, more than EDITORIAL 6,800 U.S. military service men and women have died in support of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

On Memorial Day, there are many ways to remember the fallen, including a visit to Arlington National Cemetery, or many other local commemorations. But at a minimum, wherever you are, you can observe a moment of silence at 12:01 p.m. along with Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America (IAVA), or you can set your own moment at some point during the day.

More than 52,000 U.S. military service members have been wounded in action, although that number is likely to be revised upward. In 2013, the military confirmed traumatic brain injury in more than 220,000 of the more than 2.5 million troops who have served in Iraq and Afghanistan. The long-term consequences of many of these injuries, including mental health consequences, are unknown, but they will require a national commitment to excellence in health care and services for both active duty military personnel and veterans. Virginia's U.S. Senators Mark Warner and Tim Kaine continue to advocate for better service from the Veterans Administration.

Since Memorial Day 2014, with military operations winding down in Afghanistan, the Department of Defense announced the deaths of two military service members from Virginia. Sgt. Charles C. Strong, 28, of Suffolk, died Sept. 15, 2014 in Herat province, Afghanistan while conducting combat operations. Sgt. David H. Stewart, 34, of Stafford, was one of three Marines who died June 20, 2014 while conducting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan.

EVERY YEAR before Memorial Day, The Connection names the local men and women who have died in military service since Sept. 11, 2001.

Army Sgt. Lyle D. Turnbull, 31, of Norfolk, died Oct. 18, 2013 in Kuwait, from a medical emergency. Capt. Brandon L. Cyr, 28, of Woodbridge, was one of four airmen who died April 27, 2013, near Kandahar Airfield, Afghanistan, in the crash of an MC-12 aircraft.

1st Lt. Robert J. Hess, 26, of the Kings Park West neighborhood of Fairfax, was killed by enemy fire on April 23, 2013, Afghanistan. Hess was known as "RJ" and graduated from Robinson Secondary School in 2005, where he played football, lacrosse and was the captain of the swim team. He was a U.S. Army

> Blackhawk helicopter pilot who deployed to Afghanistan on April 11, 2013. His family remembers his sense of humor and his natural leadership ability.

Master Sgt. George A. Banner Jr., 37, of Orange, died Aug. 20, 2013, of injuries sustained when enemy forces attacked his unit with small arms fire in Vardak Province, Afghanistan.

Spc. Caryn E. Nouv, 29, of Newport News, was one of two soldiers who died July 27, 2013 in Ghazni Provnce, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked their vehicle with an improvised explosive device and small arms fire.

Lance Cpl. Niall W. Coti-Sears, 23, of Arlington, died June 23, 2012, while conducting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan. Coti-Sears loved music, played the guitar, composed songs and enter-tained family and friends at holiday gatherings. Niall was very close to his grandfather, William Coti, who was a Marine. "He was always my protege," William Coti told the Arlington Connection. "He always wanted to be a Marine and he followed my example. It weighs heavily on me that this had to happen.

Chief Warrant Officer Five John C. Pratt, 51, of Springfield, died May 28, 2012 in Kabul, Afghanistan, hen his helicopter crashed.

Staff Sgt. Jessica M. Wing, 42, of Alexandria, Va., died Aug. 27, 2012 in Kuwait City, Kuwait.

In February, 2012, Brig. Gen. Terence J. Hildner, 49, of Fairfax, was the highest ranking military officer to die in the war. Hildner died Feb. 3, 2012 in Kabul province, Afghanistan

Sgt. Aaron X. Wittman, 28, of Chester, Va., died Jan. 10, 2013 from small arms fire. Sgt. David J. Chambers, 25, of Hampton, Va., died Jan. 16, 2013 from a roadside bomb. Sgt. Robert J. Billings, 30, of Clarksville, Va., died Oct. 13, 2012 when enemy forces attacked with an improvised explosive device. Staff Sgt. Jonathan P. Schmidt, 28, of Petersburg, Va., died Sept. 2012 from enemy small arms fire. 1st Lt. Stephen C. Prasnicki, 24, of Lexington, Va., died June 27, 2012, from a roadside bomb.

Aaron Carson Vaughn, 30, was one of 30 American ervice members and 22 Navy SEALs killed Aug. 6, 2011 when their Chinook helicopter was shot down in Afghanistan. Vaughn's family has ties to McLean and Burke. He is survived by his wife, Kimberly, and their two children.

Spc. Douglas Jay Green, 23 of Sterling, died Aug. 28, 2011. when insurgents attacked his unit using a roadside bomb in Afghanistan. Green enlisted in 2007, after attending Potomac Falls High School.

A Few Ways To Pay Tribute on Memorial Day

- Monday, May 25, Arlington National Cemetery, National Memorial Day Observance to honor America's fallen military service members. 10:30 a.m., prelude by U.S. Marine Band. 11 a.m. Presidential Armed Forces Full Honor Wreath-Laying Ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, to be followed by an observance program hosted by the Department of Defense in Arlington's Memorial Amphitheater. Free and open to the public. Attendees are encouraged to be at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier or seated in the amphitheater by 9:30 a.m. Free parking and shuttle in the Arlington National Cemetery Welcome Center's parking lot from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- OBSERVE A MOMENT OF SILENCE at 12:01 p.m. This Memorial Day, Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America (IAVA) will lay a wreath before the Tomb
- of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery at 12:01 p.m. and urges people across the country to pause for a national moment of silence to honor those who have made the ultimate sacrifice
- Alexandria May 25, 11 a.m. Memorial Day Ceremony - Versace Plaza/Memorial in Alexandria, Mount Vernon Recreation Center at 2701 Commonwealth Ave.
- ❖ Arlington May 25 Air Force Association's Memorial Day Ceremony, 9 a.m. commemorative Memorial Day wreath-laying ceremony at 9 a.m., at the Air Force Memorial. - 1 Air Force Memorial Dr.,
- Herndon May 25 Herndon Memorial Day Observance - Town of Herndon Memorial Day Observance, Chestnut Grove Cemetery, 10 a.m.

Pfc. Benjamin J. Park, 25, of Fairfax Station, died June 18, 2010 at Zhari district, Kandahar, Afghanistan, of injuries sustained when insurgents attacked his unit with an improvised explosive device.

May 12, 2010, Donald J. Lamar II, 23 of Fredericksburg, was killed in Afghanistan. Christopher D. Worrell, 35 of Virginia Beach, was killed in Iraq on April 22, 2010. Steven J. Bishop, 29 of Christianburg, was killed March 13, 2010 in Iraq. Kielin T. Dunn, 19 of Chesapeake, was killed Feb. 18, 2010 in Afghanistan. Brandon T. Islip, 23 of Richmond, was killed Nov. 29, 2009, in Afghanistan. Stephan L. Mace, 21 of Lovettsville, died Oct. 3, 2009 in Afghanistan.

Bill Cahir, 40 of Alexandria, died Aug. 13, 2009 of gunshot wound while conducting combat operations the Helmand Province of Afghanistan. After Sept. 11, 2001, Cahir decided to leave his career as a journalist and join the Marine Corps. His application to become a Marine was denied because of his age, but he successfully lobbied members of Congress to get a special exemption.

Lance Cpl. Daniel Ryan Bennett, 23 of Clifton died Jan. 11, 2009, in Helmand province, Afghanistan. 2nd Lt. Sean P. O'Connor of Burke died Oct. 19, 2008 while stationed at Hunter Army Air Field, Savannah, Ga. O'Connor was an athlete in soccer, baseball and football who attended Fairfax County Public Schools and was a 1999 graduate of Bishop Denis J. O'Connell High School in Arlington.

Pfc. David Sharrett II, 27 of Oakton, died Jan, 16, 2008 in Iraq. On Oct. 24, 2008, his father, David H. Sharrett, was on hand as the Oakton Post Office on White Granite Drive was renamed to honor his son. But the senior Sharrett has battled to learn the truth about his son's death, that he was killed by his lieutenant in a "friendly fire" incident. In April, 2012, Sharrett Sr. obtained documents confirming some of the details of his son's death and a subsequent cover-up.

Army 1st Lt. Thomas J. Brown, 26, a George Mason University graduate and Burke resident, died on Sept. 23, 2008, while serving in Iraq, from small arms fire.

Sgt. Scott Kirkpatrick, 26, died on Aug. 11, 2007, in Arab Jabour, Iraq. Kirkpatrick, who graduated from Park View High School in Sterling, and also considered Herndon and Reston as his hometowns, was a champion slam poet.

Ami Neiberger-Miller lost her brother, U.S. Army Spc. Christopher Neiberger, in August 2007 when he was killed by a roadside bomb in Iraq. He was 22.

Staff Sgt. Jesse G. Clowers Jr., 27, of Herndon, died when an improvised bomb exploded near his vehicle in Afghanistan on Aug. 12, 2007. Jonathan D. Winterbottom, 21, of Falls Church, died in Iraq on May 3, 2007, when an IED exploded near his vehicle.

Nicholas Rapavi, 22, of Springfield, died Nov. 24, 2006, during combat in Anbar province in Iraq. Army Cpl. Andy D. Anderson, 24, was killed by enemy fire in Ar Ramadi, Iraq on Tuesday, June 6, 2006.

Spc. Robert Drawl Jr., 21, a 2003 graduate of T.C. Williams High School, was killed by a bomb in Kunar, Afghanistan, on Aug. 19, 2006.

U.S. Army Specialist Felipe J. Garcia Villareal, 26 of Burke, was injured in Iraq and flown to Washington Hospital Center, where he died Feb. 12, 2006. He was a graduate of Herndon High School.

Capt. Shane R. M. Mahaffee, 36, a 1987 graduate of Mount Vernon High School, died May 15, 2006. He was a lawyer, married, with two children.

U.S. Marine Lance Cpl. Nicholas Kirven, 21, was killed in Afghanistan in 2005 during a firefight in a cave with insurgents. He enlisted while still in high school after Sept. 11, 2001.

Fairfax Station resident Pfc. Dillon Jutras, 20, was killed in combat operations in Al Anbar Province of Irag on Oct. 29, 2005.

Maj. William F. Hecker III, a 1987 graduate of McLean High School, was killed in action in Iraq, Jan. 5, 2005. Staff Sgt. Ayman Taha, 31, of Vienna, was killed Dec. 30, 2005, when an enemy munitions cache he was prepping for demolition exploded. Army Capt. Chris Petty of Vienna was killed Jan. 5, 2006.

Staff Sgt. George T. Alexander Jr., the 2,000th soldier to be killed in Iraq, was literally born into the Army here in Northern Virginia, at DeWitt Army Hospital at Fort Belvoir. Alexander died at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio, Texas, Oct. 22, 2005. of injuries sustained in Iraq five days earlier.

Lt. Col. Thomas A. Wren, 44, of Lorton, died in Tallil, Iraq on Nov. 5, 2005. Marine Capt. Michael Martino, 32 of the City of Fairfax, died Nov. 2, 2005, when his helicopter was brought down in Iraq.

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Chantilly ShowStoppers perform "Wings" during last year's Jazz & Pizzazz

Jazz & Pizzazz Returns

Annual extravaganza of singing and dancing.

BY BONNIEHOBBS

CENTRE VIEW

Pright lights, colorful costumes and spectacular singing and dancing – that's Chantilly High's Jazz & Pizzazz. And this year' extravaganza, the 29th annual, is slated for Wednesday-Saturday, May 27-30, at 7 p.m. each night.

Tickets are \$10 at www.chantillychoral.org. Advance purchases are encouraged since Friday and Saturday performances often sell out. Under the direction of Choral Director Evan Ayars and Jazz Band Director Chris Singleton, approximately 60 students total will be taking the stage during this family-friendly show.

"It's always a great time to put together the Jazz & Pizzazz performances," said Singleton. "Seeing the collaboration between the band and choir departments in everything from planning to logistics to the music itself is very fulfilling, especially when you get to see how proud the students are of the final product."

The band members' program will feature the music of jazz greats such as Quincy Jones, Dizzy Gillespie, the Brecker Brothers and Gordon Goodwin. Another highlight will be Hank Levy's 1970s hit, "Whiplash," which has recently regained popularity courtesy of the movie of the same name.

"The students have really enjoyed digging in to learn 'Whiplash," said Singleton. "Many of them saw the movie that came out earlier this year and were very excited to play the piece that is the title track. The tune is in 7/4 time and really keeps you guessing as it leads to a thrilling finish. The entire soundtrack is great, and this piece seemed like the perfect choice [for them to play]."

All in all, he said, "Chantilly Jazz has worked very hard this year and we're excited to have Jazz & Pizzazz as a part of our performance schedule. The band has about nine performances every year, including many community events, and Jazz & Pizzazz is a great way to kick off the last part of the year. Still coming up for Chantilly Jazz is the Spring Awards concert on June, and the Touch-A-Truck event at the Chantilly Library on June 13."

Ayars described Jazz & Pizzazz as "a great cumulative activity that combines the talents of the jazz band with the flair of the show choir." This year, he said, "The ShowStoppers are drawing from many different decades and genres of music, including the music of the Beatles, the Temptations, Britney Spears, Janet Jackson and Earth, Wind & Fire. There's music for everyone to enjoy."



Awards of Merit

Sully District Boy Scouts of America held its annual awards banquet and has presented the District Award of Merit to Michael Sorah (left) and David Weisz for their extraordinary service to the District in supporting the Boy Scout program. This award is presented annually to only two adults per year.



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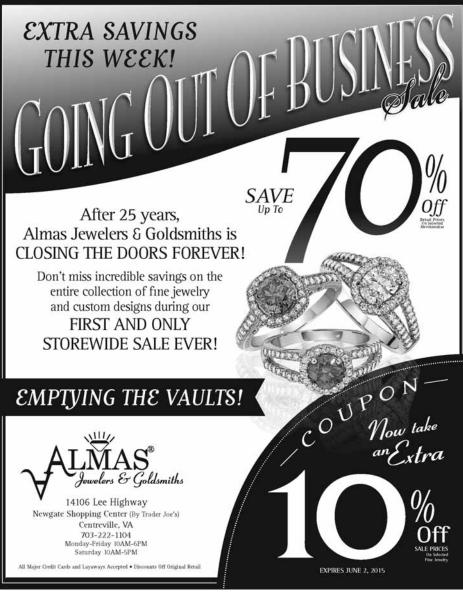
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OPINION

Remembering on Memorial Day 2015

FROM PAGE 4

1st Lt. Laura M. Walker of Oakton was killed on Aug. 18, 2005, in Kandahar, Afghanistan. CW4 Matthew S. Lourey of Lorton died from injuries sustained on May 26, 2005 in Buhriz, Iraq. Operations Officer Helge Boes of Fairfax was killed on Feb. 5, 2003, while participating in counterterrorism efforts in eastern Afghanistan.

Among other local lives lost: Lance Cpl. Tavon Lee Hubbard, 24, of Reston; 1st Lt. Alexander Wetherbee, 27, of McLean; 1st Lt. Jeff Kaylor, 25, of Clifton; Coast Guard Petty Officer Nathan B. Bruckenthal, 24, of Herndon; Army Chief Warrant Officer Sharon T. Swartworth, 43, of Mount Vernon; Command Sgt. Maj. James D. Blankenbecler, 40, of Mount Vernon; Capt. James

F. Adamouski, 29, of Springfield; Sgt. DeForest L. Talbert, 22, of Alexandria; Marine Cpl. Binh N. Le, 20, of Alexandria; Staff Sgt. Russell Verdugo, 34, of Alexandria. Army Capt. Mark N. Stubenhofer, 30, from Springfield; Marine Gunnery Sgt. Javier Obleas-Prado Pena, 36, from Falls Church; Marine Sgt. Krisna Nachampassak, 27, from Burke; Army Staff Sgt. Nathaniel J. Nyren, 31, from Reston; Marine Lance Cpl. Tenzin Dengkhim, 19, from Falls Church, Navy Chief Joel Egan Baldwin, 37, from Arlington; Maj. Joseph McCloud, of Alexandria, and Major Gloria D. Davis, 47 of Lorton.

Capt. Jesse A. Ozbat, 28 of Prince George, Va., died on May 20, 2012 in Afghanistan from a roadside bomb. Constructionman Trevor J. Stanley, 22, of Virginia Beach, Va., died April 7, 2012 while

deployed to Camp Lemonnier, Djibouti. Pfc. Michael W. Pyron, 30, of Hopewell, Va., died Jan. 10, 2012 in Afghanistan. Maj. Samuel M. Griffith, 36, of Virginia Beach, Va., died Dec. 14, 2011 in Afghanistan, Staff Sgt. James Ronald Leep Jr., 44 of Richmond, died Oct. 17, 2011 at Forward Operating Base Kalsu in Iraq. Spc. Levi Efrain Nuncio, 24 of Harrisonburg, died June 22, 2011 in Afghanistan. Capt. Michael Wray Newton, 30 of Newport News, died June 11, 2011 in Afghanistan. Capt. Charles A. Ransom, 31, of Midlothian was one of eight airmen who died April 27, 2011, at the Kabul International Airport, Afghanistan, from gunfire. Sgt. Sean T. Callahan, 23, of Warrenton died April 23, 2011 in combat in Afghanistan. Sgt. 1st Class Anthony Venetz Jr., 30, of Prince William died Jan.

28, 2011 in Afghanistan, after being been seriously wounded months before. Spc. Sean R. Cutsforth, 22, of Radford, died Dec. 15, 2010 in Afghanistan. Spc. William K. Middleton, 26, of Norfolk died Nov. 22, 2010 in Afghanistan. Staff Sgt. Christopher F. Cabacoy, 30, of Virginia Beach died July 5, 2010, in Afghanistan.

If you know of someone who should be included in this list, or if you would like to share how you are honoring the memory of a family member or friend lost, or about the progress of someone injured, please let us know.

— Mary Kimm, mkimm@connectionnewspapers.com

Chantilly High School Takes Virginia Economic Championship

Third statewide victory in a row and sixth altogether.

By Bonnie Hobbs Centre View

or the third year in a row, a team from Chantilly High has won the state championship in economics. The four students took first place in the Adam Smith Division (advanced economics) of the 2015 Governor's Challenge in Economics and Personal Finance.

The competition was held April 17 at VCU and marked the school's sixth championship overall in this division. The winning team members are senior Brendan Aronhime and juniors Aron Malatinszky, Alice Wang and Kincaid Youman.

"I'm extremely proud of this group," said economics teacher Joe Clement, their coach. "They worked hard and it paid off. They also got along really well and were fun to work with. I think we win so often because we have fantastic economics students. We have kids who ask the right questions, think of different ways to solve problems and are super curious."

"It's also a function of the fact that success begets success," he continued. "That is, we win and kids become interested the following year; we win again, more kids become interested; rinse, repeat. We are constantly building on the success of prior years. We get the most amazing students to come out for this competition, and this year's students certainly continued that tradition of excellence."

More than 3,200 Virginia high-school students competed in the event's preliminary rounds, with 168 qualifying for the day-long championship. And although Chantilly didn't make it to the national finals, it did reach the semifinals.

Regarding the Governor's Challenge, there's a statewide test to see who makes each school's team and which schools compete at states. Twelve people tried out for Chantilly's team, which was formed during spring break.

"We met once a week after school," said

Malatinszky. But the students said they mainly honed their skills in class. Each also explained why they like economics.

"Economics is so much more than the study of money," said Aronhime. "It examines how people make decisions. And it provides explanations for the choices we make in our everyday lives that we don't really think about — and I find that fascinating."

"My grandfather worked in the World Bank, so I thought economics was a cool field to follow and I started studying it," said Malatinszky. "Our school's economics team is really strong because Mr. Clement is a really good teacher. So I had an extra motivation to study even more to add onto Chantilly's economics dominance."

Since people are always talking about the economy, said Youman, "I wanted to understand more about what's going on in the world. I joined the team because I was doing well in the class and wanted to help win a state championship."

"Economics has the power to target social issues, like poverty, that are plaguing society in general," added Wang. "It's practical in all fields of study and it's basically life."

THE STATE championship consisted of two rounds. The first one was a written test taken by all the teams. It dealt with macroeconomics (the larger picture) and world events. Then the two, top-scoring teams overall competed in the second round. Called the "buzzer round," it's similar to a quiz bowl where team members buzz in to answer questions before their opponents do.

An example of a macro-economics question, said Wang, would be: "When excessive government spending reduces private investment, what is that called?" (Answer: Crowding out).

Aronhime provided a sample buzzerround question: "This concept in game
theory describes a situation in which everyone makes the best decision based on everyone else's decisions." (Answer: The Nash
Equilibrium). Each student focused on
studying a specific area for the competition.
Aronhime covered economists; Malatinszky,
international relations; Youman, U.S. economics; and Wang, economic history.

Malatinszky said the toughest parts of the macro-economics section were the ques-



Photo Courtesy of the Virginia Council on Economic Education

Holding their trophies are (from left) Brendan Aronhime, Kincaid Youman, Alice Wang and Aron Malatinszky with their coach, Joe Clement.

tions involving net capital outflow. In world events, said Aronhime, the most difficult questions dealt with world trade statistics. He also said it was hard knowing what to study in advance because economics is such a broad discipline.

However, Wang said the worst part of the whole competition was "waiting for them to announce the top two teams." But she was thrilled that Chantilly was one of them. "There aren't words to describe how awesome Mr. Clement is," she said. "He was confident that we'd win, and we didn't want to let him down."

Youman said the most surprising thing was that "they asked about specific questions that no one would be expected to know. For example, 'To which two nations does Virginia export the most agricultural products?' The answer was China and Canada"

But, said Aronhime, "We really enjoyed winning. We didn't think we would because we were competing against really good schools, such as T.J. [Thomas Jefferson]."

"I was relieved because we really wanted to win and we worked hard," said Malatinszky. "And the trophy for our school was a physical representation of our success." Youman was just happy with their victory, and Aronhime also felt relief because they'd prepared so much and Clement had high expectations of them.

"The quiz bowl was the most fun part, when we went onstage in front of all the other teams and destroyed the competition," said Youman. "Brendan buzzed in before the questions were finished and answered them right, almost every time."

All in all, said Wang, "It's an awesome experience that was really unique — something to have on your bucket list." When the Chantilly students heard they won, she said, "I felt kind of numb; it didn't set in until we were halfway home."

All four students attributed their victory to their coach. "He's a great teacher and made us really enthusiastic about the subject," said Aronhime.

Calling the tournament "a cool and fun experience," Malatinszky said it was "great to see so many economic experts judging us — and they also had phenomenal doughnuts and sandwiches there."

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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/movies.

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- "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 Showcasel."

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. Young Actors Workshop. July 20-24 9 a.m.- 2 p.m. at Westfield High School, 4700 Stonecroft Blvd., Chantilly. Students will participate in theatre games, improvisation, acting exercises, songs, and dances. The week culminates with a show for friends and family featuring songs and scenes from musical comedy classics. The workshop fee is \$125. Visit www.westfieldtheatreboosters.com.

FCPS 2015 Summer Programs. Registration is now open for the following Fairfax County Public Schools summer camps. Students

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.

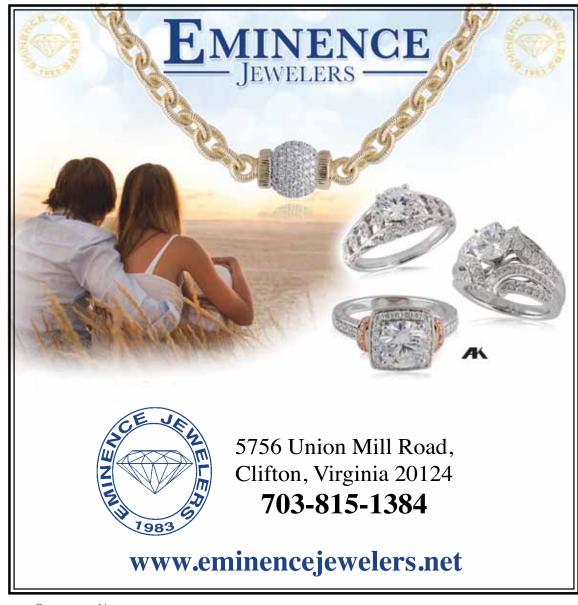
- Tech Adventure Camp will be held July 20-31 at Robinson Secondary School from 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. for students currently in grades 5-7. This camp allows students to explore careers and technology by rotating through eight areas including graphic design, automotive technology, culinary arts, television 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.

- ❖ 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 Chess.
- 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.
- * Online Campus. For credit recovery, acceleration, and enrichment for middle school and high school students. Health, Physical Education, and Geometry Honors run June 29-Aug. 4; all other courses run July 6-Aug. 4.
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 SOL Remediation. For FCPS high school students who passed an SOL course but did not pass the SOL test. Held at Fairfax High School.
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SPORTS



Matthew Laurence (21) looks to split defenders in a drive



John Tarver (right) pursues a loose ball.

Centreville Boys' Lax Stays Busy, Qualifies for Regionals

he Centreville boys' lacrosse team honored its senior players at its last regular season home game on May 11, although it came up short in a 17-6 loss to defending 6A state champion Robinson. The Wildcats held tough for two quarters and were only down by two at the half, but Robinson pulled away as the game progressed.

Sports BRIEFS

The Centreville boys' JV team lost to Robinson's JV, but finished its season on a high note with a 9-8 win against Dominion in Loudoun County on May

12. Daniel Oh and Michael O'Donnell led the Wildcats with four goals each, David Falcone added a goal, and assists were earned by Falcone, Riley Prosser, and Jimmy Gangi. Centreville goalies Paul Anderson and Tony Jung combined for 13 saves.

The varsity team was back in action for the opening round of the Conference 5 tournament on May 14, handing a visiting Oakton squad a 9-6 defeat. The win secured the Wildcats a berth in the regional tourna-

Fighting back from a first quarter deficit,

the Wildcats tied the game by halftime and then shut down the Cougar offense in the second half. Goals were scored by Pat Fuller, John Tarver, Patrick Goldammer and Kyle Richbourg. Assists were made by Tyler Heidt, Corey Spriggs, and Fuller. Goalie Josh Tarver finished the game with 11 saves.

Westfield Girls' Lax **Beats Chantilly**

The Westfield girls' lacrosse team defeated Chantilly 20-9 in the opening round of the Conference 5 tournament on May 14, securing the Bulldogs a berth in the region tournament.

Westfield will travel to face Robinson in the conference semifinals at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 20.

Chantilly Boys' Lax Earns Regional Berth

The Chantilly boys' lacrosse team beat Herndon 17-3 in the opening round of the



Defenseman Britton Lee chases down a ground ball.

Conference 5 tournament on May 14. The victory secured the Chargers a berth in the region tournament.

Chantilly will travel to face Westfield in the conference semifinals at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 20.

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SATURDAY/MAY 23

Conversational English Class Interest Meeting. 7 p.m. at Fairfax Church of Christ, 3901 Rugby Road,

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Lillian Diaz at atLdiaz@wfcmva.org or 703-988-9656 x108.

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— Amy L. Best, Ph.D.,

George Mason University

finding ways to talk

without your teen

Suggestions for talking to teens about staying safe.

By Marilyn Campbell Centre View

raduation, prom and the summer before heading off to college are some of the highlights of a teen's high school experience. While the season brings landmark events, it can be marred by the consequences of engaging in harmful activities.

Parents can play a pivotal role in keeping teens safe. The Unified Prevention Coalition of Fairfax County reports that teens cite their parents as the leading influence for them not to drink, and say that it is not difficult to get alcohol from their family

home, older siblings or friends. Initiating a dialogue with teens about the dangers of unsafe behaviors such as drinking and drug use can be daunting for some parents.

"We know that teens who receive consistent messages from their parents about their expectations that their child not use alcohol are much less likely to use," said Diane Eckert, deputy executive director, Unified Prevention Coalition of Fairfax County.

The season brings celebratory activities and less supervision, and therefore more opportunities to take chances, said Eckert. It's critical that parents "sit down with your teens and talk with them about your expectations," she said.

"With less structure and more excitement, teens can find themselves taking more risks, so it's important for parents to be involved."

hol use prevention and awareness programs now that prom and graduation season is underway. Programs such as "Drive to Stay Alive" and "Prom Promise"

Conversations about safety during activities where teens will have more freedom can be difficult to navigate. "For sure those are hard conversations," said Amy L. Best, Ph.D., professor of Sociology and chair of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology at George Mason University in Fairfax.

"Parents want to be careful not to drown out the fun times that prom and graduation also represent. It's about finding balance. Part of it is about finding ways to talk about the risks without your teen walking away feeling hyper-vulnerable and disempowered."

The dialogue should be factual and non-threatening. "Ask open-ended question about what is going on at school and with their friends," said Best. "It easier to open those conversations when you're not talking about your child, and you're collecting information about what is going on at school and with their friends." Best is author of "Prom Night: Youth, Schools and Popular Culture" (2000 Routledge), which was selected for the 2002 American Educational Studies Association Critics' Choice Award.

Difficult conversations are made easier if there is a history of open, honest communication between a parent and child. While parents should make their expectations for their child's behavior clear, Best warns against lecturing or talking down to a teen. "The prom should not be the first time that these conversations occur," she said. "It's really important that kids to be able to express their feelings and have an active role in the conversation. Trust has to be

built into the relationship in order for that to happen."

A concrete plan for ensuring safety should be part of the conversation. "Kids are often in situations where alcohol is being consumed and they may not be the ones consuming it," said Best. "So safe driving arrangements are important."

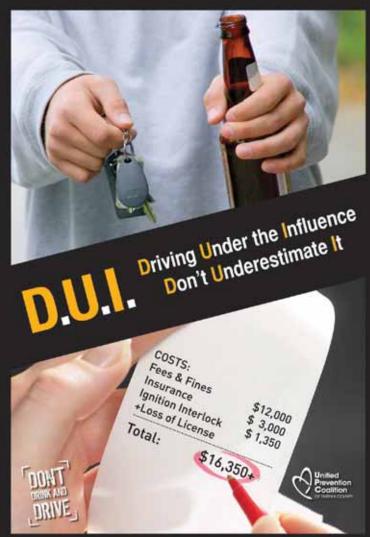
"The good news is that a lot of kids are opting out of drinking and greater awareness around the potential for sexual assault," said Best. "The message has to be communicated in advance and schools have a role to play in that."

In Arlington, School Resource Officers are collaborating with local high schools to focus on alco-

hol use prevention and awareness programs now that prom and graduation season is underway. Programs such as "Drive to Stay Alive" and "Prom Promise" are in place to educate students in having a safe and fun prom season. One of the roles of the officers is to provide positive guidance to students "and to act as positive role models both inside and outside the school environment."

Kathy Ely, spokeswoman for Connelly School of the Holy Child, an all-girls school in Potomac, Md., says her school, as well as most schools, have safety plans in place. "We understand the pressures that these girls are under, and work hard to educate them about effects not just now but for their future," she said

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Tips for Keeping Teens Safe

Help make prom and graduation night safe for teens by following these tips:

- * Do not serve or allow alcohol at any party you are hosting; an adult who provides alcohol to a minor is breaking the law and risking that teen's life.
- * Know where your teenager is attending a party; verify there will be parental supervision, and that it will be alcohol-free.
- Make it clear to your teen(s) that you do not approve of their drinking alcohol.
- Report underage drinking parties by calling the Fairfax County Police Department's non-emergency number: 703-691-2131. Your call can be anonymous and may prevent injuries or a fatal car crash.
- Educate your family on the risks associated with underage drinking and its proven harmful effects on the brain. The legal drinking age is 21, and students who wait until their early 20s to drink are 84 percent less likely to develop an addiction than those who start earlier.
 - Make sure your teen has a plan for

the night and that you know what it

- Do not rent hotel rooms for prom-goers.
 Know who is driving if it's a
- Know who is driving if it's a limo, check their policy on not allowing any alcohol in the vehicle and driving any teen who clearly has been drinking.
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By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Even though my previous CT Scan 'looked good," nonetheless I am already, two months out, thinking about my next scan, scheduled for July 15. I am not nervous or anxious about it vet But I am something. Typically, those emotions begin a week or so before the scan and last a week or so after, until we learn the results. What I am addressing in my own way, is what challenges some cancer patients, certainly me: we can't leave well enough alone and, as a related condition, might not savor the moment/good news because the underlying diagnosis – in my case, non-small cell lung cancer, stage IV - is so bad, and by bad I mean incurable. In fact, that was the first thing I remember my oncologist saying to me/Team Lourie: "I can treat you but I can't cure you."

Nevertheless, here I am six-plus years later, alive and abnormally well, given my original prognosis: "13 months to two years." Still undergoing chemotherapy, still not cured; characterized by my oncologist as his "third miracle." As I wait for the other shoe to drop, other than experiencing symptoms - which I rarely have – and evaluating my everythree-week pre-chemotherapy lab work, the diagnostic scans (CT Scan for me mostly, occasionally an MRI or a bone scan) are the best indicators of tumor growth, movement and/or new activity. To get the clearest radiological picture/ assessment, often a dye (a.k.a "contrast") is injected into the patient to provide the computerized tomography what it needs to create a more detailed rendering of the affected area. Given my preexisting, chemotherapy-affected kidney damage, and factoring in that the "contrast" would be filtered through the kidneys, causing potential stress to that organ, per doctor's orders (or lack thereof), I've not had a CT Scan with contrast for three or four years (and I usually have four CT Scans per year).

However safe he/we have been, neither my oncologist nor I are the least bit sorry about it. He has been able to reasonably track the tumors in my lungs; and so far, so good (amazing, actually). But, for the next scan, he has ordered that it be completed with contrast. When I asked him why now/what about my elevated creatinine/kidney function, his answer was something about my levels being higher than normal but not trending up, so, since it's been years, he thought it prudent - and timely, all things considered - to proceed. Seemed reasonable, so I consented; so "contrasting" we shall go.

I can't imagine there will be confirmation that all is indeed well and what the oncologist initially feared was trouble two months ago will be even less of a concern than he expressed two weeks ago when we last met and discussed the findings of this most recent scan. But what do I know? Certainly it's possible. I'm living proof of that. Still, this next scan/result is two months away. I shouldn't even be thinking about it now. I should be enjoying the positive findings of my last scan, not anticipating what could possibly be worse with the next one. But I am.

This is the life, albeit an extremely lucky one, of a "terminal" cancer patient (this one, anyway). I want to live for today but it's hard not to worry about

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- School July 6-24.
 Online ESOL-Through this three-week class, students will continue developing their academic and reading and writing skills in an online discussion with an ESOL teacher. This is a noncredit class. Held July 6-24.
- Extended School Year Learning Communities. Services for identified students with disabilities in accordance with their individualized education programs.
- Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology Summer Technology Institute. The Institute will be held July 13– Aug. 7 at Woodson High School. Students currently in grades 7 and 8 will be introduced to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics through week-long sessions that allow them to explore a STEM topic of interest.
- Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology Academic Summer School. This program will be held July 6-Aug. 6 at Woodson High School. Current TJHSST students and incoming freshmen choose from a variety of courses for academic credit.
- Adult and Community Education. Programs include

Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology admissions test prep, SAT test prep, study skills, and driver education.

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 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.

"Cures for the Quarter" 1, 2, and 3 p.m. at the Sully Historic Site, 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly. Learn how African-American slaves maintained their health. Admission is \$7 for adults, \$6 for students and \$5 for seniors and children. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov.

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.fairfax-station.org.

SUNDAY/MAY 24

OAR Jazz and Wine Festival. 2-5 p.m. at The Winery at Bull Run, 15950 Lee Highway, Centreville. Nonprofit OAR is hosting a fundraiser will a catered dinner and live music. Visit www.oarfairfax.org.

Guitar Workshop and Concert. 2-4

p.m. at 8963 Center St., Manassas. Pierre Bensusan will be leading a guitar workshop and a concert at 5 p.m. The workshop is \$50 and the concert is \$25. Contact 703-335 -5001 to reserve a spot.

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 for more.

"Alice in Wonderland." 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, 4 p.m. on Sunday Centerville High School, 6001 Union Mill Road, Clifton. The Fairfax Ballet presents a full-length classical production of the classic tale. Tickets are \$22 for adults, and \$18 for children plus an additional service fee. Visit www.fairfaxspringballet2015.b rownpapertickets.com for tickets.

SATURDAY/MAY 30

Dairy Farming at Walney. 2 p.m. at Ellanor C. Lawrence Park, 5040 Walney Road, Chantilly. Taste hand churned butter and sample cheeses and learn more about the industry. Tour the dairy and milk a pretend cow. Admission is \$6-8. Visit www.parktakes.fairfaxcounty.gov.

Wine Class. 3-5 p.m. at Total Wine and More, 13055 Lee Jackson Memorial Highway, Fairfax. Take a seated class on the Rioja, a region in Spain famous for Tempranillo-based red wines. Admission is \$20. Visit www.totalwine.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.

Public Concert-Summer Concert

Series. 5 p.m. at Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center 14390 Air and Space Museum Parkway, Chantilly. The United States Air Force Band- Singing Sergeants will be holding a public concert. Free admission. For more call 202-767-5658 or visit www.usafband.af.mil.

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

Born to Run Memorial 5K and Fun

Run. 8:30 a.m. at the Chantilly Highlands neighborhood. Franklin Middle School will dedicate this race to Jannine Parisi who died on Nov. 20, 2013 as the result of a domestic incident. Registration starts at \$15. Visit www.prracing.enmotive.com.

Relay for Life. 2 p.m.-12 a.m. at The nZone, 14550 Lee Road, Chantilly. A fundraiser featuring games, prizes music and other opportunities to gain awareness and help support The American Cancer Society. Contact Mary Saunders at mary.saunders@cancer.org.

"The Homegrown Medicine

Chest." 1-4 p.m. at the Sully Historic Site, 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly. Learn about the preparation of home remedies and their uses. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov.

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SATURDAY/JUNE 13

Touch a Truck. 2-5 p.m. at Chantilly Regional Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road, Chantilly. Vehicles will be available for children and adults to learn about. Free. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov.

SATURDAY/JUNE 7

Wine, Whiskers and Wags. 1-5 p.m. at Paradise Springs Winery, 13219 Yates Ford Road, Clifton. A wine tasting, food, silent auction and other events will benefit the Fairfax County Animal Shelter. Tickets are \$35 in advance and \$40 at the door. Visit www.ffcas.org.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/JUNE 20-21

NoVa Summer Brewfest. 11 a.m.-7 p.m. at Bull Run Regional Park, 7700 Bull Run Drive, Centreville. Find seasonal craft beer from local and regional breweries alongside vendors, exhibitors, music, and food. Tickets are \$35 for adults on the day of the event, \$25 in advance and \$10 for designated drivers. Children under 16 may attend at no cost. Visit www.novabrewfest.com.

SATURDAY/JUNE 21

Antique Car Show. 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly. Celebrate Father's Day at Sully's 42nd Annual Antique Car Show cosponsored by the FCPA and The Model A Ford Club of America. Find 400 antique and classic cars, cars for sale, a flea market, food and music. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors and \$7 for children. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/JULY 11-12 World War II Living History. 10

a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m.-3 p.m. on Sunday at 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly. Sully Historic Site hosts reenactors for a weekend of demonstrations. See what life was like for soldiers and civilians throughout the war and talk to them about their jobs, living quarters, food and life in the 1940s. House tour included. This event is free for veterans and active duty military, \$8 for adults and \$6 for seniors and children. Visit www.fairfax

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