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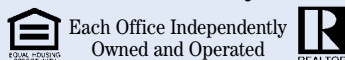


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The City of Fairfax Band welcomes children to try out instruments then performs a concert during their annual children's night.

City of Fairfax Band Performs Children's Concert July 16

Each year, the City of Fairfax community band gives its youngest fans a chance to try their hand at the shiny, twisty and just plain loud instruments in the ensemble. The group's Children's Concert event begins with an "instrument petting zoo"

at 6:30 p.m. on July 16 and includes a parade, opportunity to conduct the band and free ice cream and balloons. A youth-oriented concert program begins at 7:30 p.m. and includes music from popular movies such as "Star Trek" and "Jurassic Park," plus Disney

classics "Frozen" and "Aladdin." The event is scheduled to take place in the Veterans Amphitheater just outside Fairfax City Hall at 10455 Armstrong Street in Fairfax. For more information, visit www.fairfaxband.org.

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Yes to Nonpartisan Redistricting

Politicians shouldn't be choosing voters.

Virginia's Congressional map is unconstitutional because African American voters are packed into District 3, according to the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia. The problem will have to be remedied by drawing new boundaries.

The issue could be appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

In statewide elections, Virginia voters have chosen Democrats in the last two presidential elections, for U.S. Senate, for Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Attorney General. Every single official elected statewide is a Democrat.

Democrats won by a comfortable margin in most cases, but elections were close. In one case the margin was razor thin. (Attorney General Mark Herring beat Republican Mark Obenshain by 165 votes out of more than 2.2 million cast, and that was an election that had serious and immediate consequences, if you ever need an argument for the importance of your vote.)

It's reasonable to assume that a state so clearly leaning blue, but close to evenly divided would be about evenly divided in political representation.

But in fact, the Virginia House of Delegates consists of 67 Republicans and 33 Democrats.

Virginia's delegation to the U.S. House of Representatives consists of eight Republicans and three Democrats.

Virginia's 11 Congressional districts should be split about evenly. You could understand a split five Dems and six Republicans; or five Republicans and six Democrats. A four and

seven split would smack of some unusual circumstance. But three and eight?

The problem is gerrymandering.

The solution, which the Supreme Court just OK'd, is allowing the lines to be drawn by a non-partisan commission.

Both political parties have been guilty of this when in power, although new technology and better data have made the process more egregious, the effects more damaging.

EDITORIAL

Political parties should not control the drawing of political districts. Gerrymandering thwarts the will of the electorate. It is especially damaging in a Dillon rule state, like Virginia, where localities have only the power explicitly granted to them by the General Assembly. This is particularly unfair to localities like Fairfax County, Ar-

lington and Alexandria, whose electorate and local officials have views that differ greatly from those of the majority of Virginia's General Assembly.

The reason Virginia's Congressional map has been ruled unconstitutional is about race; packing all the African American voters in one district and conceding that district to Democrats in order to reduce the power of African American voters in the adjacent districts. A similar challenge is in the works concerning districts in Virginia's House of Delegates.

It's long past time to take these decisions out of the hands of the officials who use the redistricting process to choose their own voters and effectively grant themselves lifetime appointments.

— MARY KIMM

Pet Photos for the Pet Connection

The Pet Connection, a twice-yearly special edition, will publish on July 22, and photos and stories of your pets with you and your family should be submitted by July 15.

We invite you to send us stories about your pets, photos of you and/or your family with your cats, dogs, llamas, alpacas, hamsters, snakes, lizards, frogs, rabbits, or whatever other creatures share your home or yard with you.

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Braddock Nights Concerts Kick Off July 10

By JOHN C. COOK
SUPERVISOR (R-BRADDOCK DISTRICT)



Most people have fond, nostalgic memories of visits to the park. Perhaps celebrating family picnics and reunions, playing little league baseball games, enjoying quiet evenings in nature or even fishing and hiking with friends and family. The positive role that public parks have played in so many of our lives is undeniable. That is why the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors has designated July as Parks and Recreation Month.

We are not alone in our recognition of the vital role parks play in our local communities. Since 1985, various communities across America have recognized Parks and Recreation Month every July. And in 2009, Congress passed an

official resolution designating July Parks and Recreation Month.

Parks play an incredibly important part in supporting environmental, social, and health benefits. Parks improve water and air quality, prevent flooding, and support habitats for vegetation and wildlife. They are also critical to the physical and mental health of our communities: providing us with public gathering places for friends, families, and local organizations by giving us all the ability to enjoy nature, exercise, and stay healthy. Parks also provide people the opportunity to be engaged and to get involved in various volunteer activities being offered. This doesn't even begin to scratch the surface of all the benefits provided by public parks, which also includes a positive impact on our economy by enhanc-

ing property values, attracting homeowners, and retaining businesses.

This summer, the Fairfax County Park Authority is celebrating its 65th anniversary, and we are all extremely fortunate to be home to a wide variety of parks throughout the county. In addition, the Fairfax County Park Authority hosts a variety of different activities and classes all summer long, including summer day camps and public concerts. To find out more about all our parks have to offer, and all the different opportunities to get involved in this summer, please visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/>. I can promise that you will find something for the whole family to enjoy.

This summer, there is also a great opportunity to attend a series of concerts being held at two of Braddock District's very own

parks. The Braddock Nights summer concert series kicks off July 10 from 7:30-8:30 p.m. at both Royal Lake and Lake Accotink Parks. These free musical performances will be held throughout the summer, and will include a wide array of performances from classical to bluegrass to everything in between. The atmosphere is informal and you're encouraged to bring a picnic dinner, blankets, lawn chairs, and to relax with friends and family to celebrate the end of the workweek. A list of this summer's performances can be found by visiting <http://bit.ly/BraddockNights2015>. For more information or to volunteer, please call 703-425-9300.

Whether it's a cookout, a family reunion, a hike, or even just an evening stroll, please be sure to spend some time outside this month and enjoy all that Fairfax County Parks have to offer.



SPORTS

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Besides athletic events at GMU and the June 28 cycling criterium in the downtown area, the City of Fairfax also hosted the July 4 firefighters' muster as part of the 2015 World Police & Fire Games. Firefighters from all over the world and the U.S. participated.

Honoring the World Police & Fire Games during the City's Fourth of July Parade.

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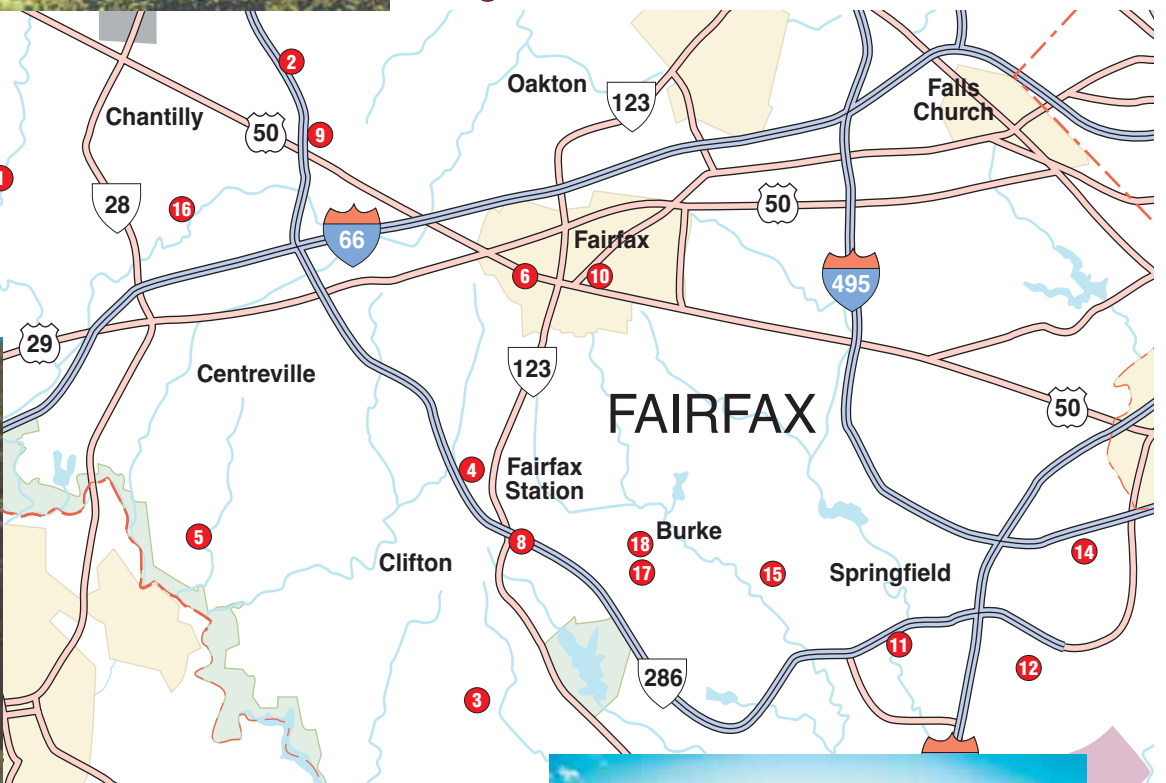
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A House by the Sea

Design ideas for beach homes.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE CONNECTION

As the sweaty days of summer slog on, many are dreaming about a home by the sea, a wistful retreat where cares flow as freely as an ocean breeze. A few local designers share seaside secrets for an idyllic hide-away.

When a Bethesda, Md., family decided to update and expand their vacation home on the shores of the Chesapeake Bay, functionality and style were top priorities.

Doug Roberts and Jessica Parker Wachtel of GTM Architects in Bethesda added more than 1,400 square feet, but kept many of the existing features of the 3,792-square-foot beach house, which was built in 1985.

"What was unique about this project is that the family's father had originally designed this home himself," said Roberts. "It's modern with lots of glass and cathedral ceilings. The family didn't want to change that. They just wanted to expand it."

The home now has an open floor plan, including a kitchen that flows into the family room, an exercise and recreation room, glass garage doors, an outdoor shower and a wet bar.

The windowsills are lower, allowing in more light and expanded water views.

The home's bathrooms and five bedrooms were updated, adding a balcony with views of the bay to a rear bedroom.

"The work was all consistently done, so you really can't tell that there was an addition," said Roberts. "We replaced all of the materials — flooring, tile, trim — and put down new materials throughout."

AN ALEXANDRIA COUPLE wanted their second home on the Eastern Shore to exude a calm serenity. They achieved that feel with white walls and furniture at the recommendation of interior designer Grace Nelson of Nelson Design Lab in Arlington.

"White exudes peace and quiet," said Nelson. "They wanted their beach house to be the opposite of the chaos of Washington, but they didn't want it to be too far removed from modernity. They still wanted their luxuries."

Among those amenities are a kitchen equipped with a Bosch dishwasher and a built-in Subzero refrigerator. The kitchen's white cabinetry is accented with natural pine knobs and pulls that match the pine flooring.

A bay window in the living room allows for majestic ocean views. That seascape can also be enjoyed from the clawfoot soaking tub in the master bathroom.

WHEN THE OWNER of a Rehoboth Beach, Del., condominium decided to rent her property to beach goers, she wanted to marry casual elegance and durability.

Designer Sallie Kjos of Grey Hunt Interiors in Chantilly helped the homeowner, whose primary resi-



This Chesapeake Bay vacation home with renovations by Doug Roberts and Jessica Parker Wachtel of GTM Architects has an abundance of windows that allow in sunlight and offer views of the water.

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dence is in Great Falls, choose furnishings that created a relaxed, modern look.

"When you're designing a beach property that is also used as a rental, you want to find something that is durable and can be cleaned easy and can stand up to the sand," said Kjos. "You don't over accessorize a beach property, especially if it's a rental."

They created an office space "because a lot of people have to work even when they're on vacation," said Kjos.

A chandelier made of natural capiz shells, with an easy-to-clean lacquered finish, hangs over the wooden dining room table. The result is a beach feel, but with a modern twist, says Kjos.

"We tried to get away from the stereotypical beach décor with motifs like seagulls and driftwood," she said.

"We wanted to use water-like colors because it makes for a relaxing environment, but we mixed the city with the ocean and created a flow throughout the house so that it connected visually."

IT'S THAT CONNECTION, to the sand, the surf, and surroundings that makes a vacation house feel like a home. When Potomac, Md., architect James Rill went looking for a Vero Beach, Fla., vacation home, he was inspired by his favorite sport: baseball.

"It's very close to the Nationals spring training center," he said.

"It was a dump when we got it," he said. "When my wife first saw it, she was ready to kill me, but we stripped it to the bone and cleaned it up."

When designing the space, Rill wanted to make sure the materials he and his wife chose could stand up to the sand and surf environment of south Florida. The couple wanted the single-level dwelling to have a look that was simple and clean. They chose dark red tile flooring and sea-inspired furnishings in blue and white.

"It has a subtle elegance," he said. "It doesn't call attention to itself."

The new kitchen opens up to the family room and is devoid of large appliances, which Rill says are unnecessary in homes such as his.

The home accommodates Rill's parents, also baseball fans who make the trek to spring training camps. "We took the master suite and we made it into a nicer, handicapped accessible space."

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BY BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

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In 1910 London, a woman becomes the nanny for a family in crisis, and she and the children have fun-filled adventures which teach them life lessons. And through the wonder of theater, the audience gets to go along for the ride.

"At the end of the show, the Banks family has learned to operate as a healthy family unit," said Director Pat Mitchell. "And it's because of Mary Poppins – she's the catalyst."

There's a live, student orchestra, plus a crew of all Westfield alumni. "I was in Westfield's first graduating class in 2002, so it's a nice homecoming to be back here again," said Mitchell. "And I can't

say enough about the parents – including alumni parents – who've put in their time to build and paint the set and create the costumes. It shows how much community is in this place."

The sets depict the Banks' house and nursery, a park and the bank where Mr. Banks works. And, said Mitchell, "As the show goes on, the scenes get more magical, culminating in a show-stopping, rooftop, tap-dance number, 'Step in Time.'"

The cast comprises middle- and high-school students, plus new grads, and Mitchell's also "proud of their hard work. They show up with a positive attitude every day and are always excited to be here." As for the show, he said, "It'll make every adult feel that fondness of being a child again. These classic songs will get stuck in their heads, and I guarantee they'll be whistling, humming and singing them for weeks to come."

Robinson's Madysen Hanton is portraying the title role of Mary Poppins. "She's a magical nanny

who cares about the Banks family," said Hanton. "She's prim and proper and doesn't take any backtalk from the children. She's sassy and is practically perfect, and she changes the family's life drastically – for the better."

Calling it her "dream role," Hanton said, "I love the movie and it's written for a soprano like I am. She has so much depth and I get to have fun showing her different sides – caring, wacky, fun and energetic – and I also show that she's not just a nanny, but a woman, too."

Hanton's favorite song is "Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious," which she sings to the Banks children. "The whole cast is in it," she said. "You have to put a lot of work into that song, so I'm happy to be a part of it and see it all come together."

Hanton said the audience will enjoy the show because "it's a spectacle. The set is so intricate, while being gigantic, and the costumes are colorful and also help with characterization. The chore-



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Portraying Bert and Mary Poppins are (back row) Joshua Ewalt and Madysen Hanton, and (front row) John Henry Stamper and Lauren Levine as the Banks children.

ography is something you'd expect from a Broadway musical, and every song has five-part harmony. And it's great for all ages; people will definitely leave smiling."

Showtimes are Friday-Saturday, July 17-18, at 7:30 p.m.; Sunday,

July 19, at 2 p.m.; Friday, July 24, at 7:30 p.m.; and Saturday, July 25, at 2 and 7:30 p.m., at Westfield High. Tickets are \$15 at the door and \$12 in advance via www.westfieldtheatreboosters.com; seats are reserved.

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ONGOING

Braddock Nights Concert Series.

Fridays through Aug. 28. 7:30 -8:30 p.m. at Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield, or Royal Lake Park, 5344 Gainsborough Drive, Fairfax. A series of free musical performances held throughout the summer.

Stars on Sunday Concert Series.

Sundays, through Aug. 30. 3 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. Featuring a lineup of performances that showcase the diversity of talent and culture in Northern Virginia. Concerts are free to attend and are perfect for families, a special date or a relaxing afternoon of music and dance.

Burke Arts in the Parks.

Saturdays, through Aug. 22. 10 - 11 a.m. Burke Lake Park Amphitheater, 7315 Ox Road, Fairfax Station. Entertain children, teach them the importance of protecting our natural resources, introduce them to live entertainment in an informal kid friendly atmosphere, and forge a connection between kids and parks. Call 703-323-6601.

Summer Reading Program.

Friday-Saturday, through Sept. 5. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Fairfax Library, 10360 North Street, Fairfax. Come to the library all summer for books and events. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/fx/>.

FRIDAY/JULY 10

Fun & Games. 2 p.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Fred Oaks Road, Burke. Game day. The library is bringing out their board games for an afternoon of gaming fun. Age 6-12.

Fun Flicks. 10:30 a.m. Pohick Regional Library, 6450 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. Watch movies based on children's books.

SATURDAY/JULY 11

Obon Festival. 5:30 -9 p.m. Highlighting Japanese culture at Ekoji Buddhist Temple, 6500 Lakehaven Lane, Fairfax Station. Visit www.ekoji.org for more.

"Still Alice." 1-5 p.m. David R. Pinn Community Center, 10225 Zion Drive, Fairfax. The Burke/West Springfield Without Walls (BWSSCWoW) will be co-sponsoring with AARP a movie showing of "Still Alice." Julianne Moore won Best Actress as an accomplished professor diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease who learns that her worth is comprised of more than her ability to remember. Participants are invited to stick around after the movie to learn

Springfield's Restaurant Week: Sunday, July 12-19

Get ready for Springfield Town Center's Restaurant Week starting this weekend Sunday, July 12-19. Restaurants participating are Nando's Peri Peri, &pizza, Maggiano's Little Italy, Yard House and Chuy's. Restaurant Week allows diners to try a pre-fixed special menu at an affordable price. For more information visit, <http://springfieldtowncenter.com/restaurantweek>. Springfield Town Center is located at 6500 Springfield Mall, Springfield.

about local resources available to care for oneself and loved ones.

Creative Writers Club. 2 p.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Fred Oaks Road, Burke. Do you enjoy writing fiction, poetry, non-fiction and/or memoirs? Join in for sharing, discussion and feedback of works in progress. Teen volunteer facilitates. Age 13-18.

Ceramics Ice Cream Social

Fundraiser. 12-4 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. Purchase a one-of-a-kind handmade ice cream bowl created by Workhouse students, instructors and ceramic artists and fill it with ice cream! Participants can also enjoy live performances by The Great Zucchini and 50 Man Machine. \$20 donation includes bowl, ice cream and toppings.

Sheep Dog Detectives.

10:30 a.m. Fairfax Library, 10360 North Street, Fairfax. Dudley Dog and friends solve crimes in a fun puppet show. Sign up each child and adult separately. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/fx/>

Creative Writers Club. 2 p.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Stop by for sharing, discussion and feedback on works in progress. Ages 13-18. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/bc/>

SUNDAY/JULY 12

Workhouse Farmers Market. 1-5 p.m., at the Workhouse, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. Every Sunday on the quad is a producer-only market for discerning shoppers featuring locally grown fruits and vegetables, locally raised meats and poultry and local foods from breads to salsas and sausages. <http://www.workhousearts.org>. Runs through Sept. 13.

Fairfax Farmers Market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sundays, May 10-Oct. 25. 10500 Page Avenue, Fairfax. www.fairfaxsaturndaymarket.com/

Fair Lakes Farmers Market. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 4501 Market Commons Drive, Fairfax. www.greentowns.com/initiative/farmers-market/fair-lakes-farmers-market-fairfax-va.

TUESDAY/JULY 14

Tales to Tails. 4:30 p.m. City of Fairfax Library, 10360 North Street Fairfax. Children ages 6-12 can read to a trained therapy dog. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/fx/>

WEDNESDAY/JULY 15

Under the Sea. 10:30 a.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Meet live sea creatures. Ages 6-12.

THURSDAY/JULY 16

Afternoon Reading Group. 1 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. "The Girls of Atomic City: The Untold Story of the Women Who Helped Win World War II" by Denise Kiernan.

Mother Goose Story Time. 10:30 a.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North Street Fairfax. Enjoy stories, songs and finger plays. For babies up to 23 months old with adult. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/fx/>

SATURDAY/JULY 18

Clifton Film Festival. 7 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. Enjoy live music, food and original films under the stars. During the event there will be two awards ceremonies, student's awards will be given during intermission and the 19+ category at the closing of the festival. Visit cliftonfilmfest.com.

Family Math Games. 2 p.m. City of Fairfax Library, 10360 North Street Fairfax. Build math and logic skills with family math games. All ages.

SUNDAY/JULY 19

Model Trains Display. 1-4 p.m. Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road. The Northern Virginia NTRAK Club will have N gauge model trains on display and running. Museum members and children 4 and under, free; children 5-15, \$2; adults 16 and older, \$4. www.fairfax-station.org.

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Posing in character are (from left) Emily Flack, Hasan Crawford, Jacob Nelson and Anna Hicks.



The Turnblad family: (From left) Jay Tilley (mom Edna), Brian Medley (dad Wilbur) and Anna Hicks (daughter Tracy).

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'You Can't Stop the Beat' City of Fairfax Theatre Company presents "Hairspray," the musical.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

Good morning, Baltimore. It's 1962 and overweight white teen Tracy Turnblad is thrilled when her dancing talent lands her a spot on the Corny Collins TV show. But it seems unfair to her that black teenagers can only be on the show once a month, so she decides to integrate it.

That's the premise of this joyful, exuberant and Tony Award-winning musical being presented, July 17-25, at Lanier Middle School by the City of Fairfax Theatre Company. Helming it are Director Tara Taylor, music director Kirsten Boyd and choreographer Erich DiCenzo.

It features a cast and crew of almost 70 and, said Taylor, "It's invigorating and inspiring seeing people ages 6-55, of different backgrounds and capabilities, all coming together for the common purpose of theater. And that also exemplifies this show's meaning – bringing diverse people together."

Besides, she said, "There's such fun music and choreography that it's almost like we're playing. The cast includes 22 kids under age 13 who sing 1960s songs before the show and during intermission. They're also in three numbers in the show."

Yet "Hairspray" has a serious side, too. It has weight and relevance to modern day, said Taylor, because "it's so pertinent to the racial and equality issues we're still having, even in Baltimore. The show's message is happening now, outside this theater."

So to underscore and visualize it, she said, "We've added media images from the recent riots in Baltimore and from the Civil Rights movement, including images of Civil Rights leaders, on a huge projection screen in back of the set."

They've been rehearsing six weeks, and Taylor said putting on a show in this amount of time "takes an exceptionally talented group of people."

They also need to have incredible passion and drive for what they're doing and for the show's message.



Jacob Nelson and Anna Hicks as Link and Tracy.

MORE THAN 200 PEOPLE auditioned, and they're working hard to make this musical the best it can be. And it's an entertaining show – it makes you feel good."

Portraying Tracy is TJ grad Anna Hicks, who'll attend UVA law school this fall. Jacob Nelson plays her crush, Link Larkin, the lead male dancer on the TV show. "Tracy's a bold, happy and optimistic high-schooler," said Hicks. "She's almost naïve, but in an endearing way, and she always puts her best foot forward. Throughout the show, she progresses to having a more realistic view of the world, but she wants to change it for the better, anyway."

Hicks loves her role because Tracy's "fun and has a great time, all the time. Her personality is very theatrical, so I get to make grand gestures and big, Broadway movements. My favorite song is 'Run and Tell That.' Hasan [who plays black teen Seaweed] sings it, and it shows a bunch of kids getting together and bonding over dancing."

The audience will enjoy the show because "it's hilarious," said Hicks. "And they'll appreciate all the creativity of the director, cast and everybody working together. It's something people can go to and have a great time."

In "Hairspray," a male traditionally plays Tracy's mom, Edna, and Jay Tilley fills the



Hasan Crawford and Emily Flack as Seaweed and Penny.

bill here. "She's a really good-hearted lady," he said. "She has some self-esteem issues because she's gained some weight over the years, and she's protective of Tracy, who's also plus-sized. She loves her daughter and husband Wilbur and once dreamed of designing her own clothes. But now she cleans and mends other people's clothing, and she wants to shield Tracy from that same kind of disappointment."

Tilley calls Edna a "blast" to play and one of his bucket-list roles because "as an actor, I love transforming myself physically and emotionally. And Edna's a hoot because she's big, boisterous and fun. I have a background in musical theater, so I like being able to sing, dance and act at the same time. And I couldn't ask for a better group to work with – it's a terrific cast and crew."

He especially likes the song, "Timeless to Me," a duet between Edna and Wilbur "where they profess their love to each other, no matter what. The choreography is great and it's such a sweet song." He says the audience will love "Hairspray's" songs and story because "it's really a show about hope for a better society and better lives. It's also about learning to love yourself, flaws and all. So it's joyful and entertaining, with a message."

Hasan Crawford, a rising sophomore at

When & Where

Show times for "Hairspray" are Friday-Saturday, July 17-18 and July 24-25. Friday performances are at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday shows are at 2 and 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15, adults; \$10, children under 12, at the door; or \$10, adults; \$5, children, in advance via www.fairfaxcitytheatre.org.

Robinson Secondary, portrays Seaweed. "He's one of the dancers on the Corny Collins TV show on 'Negro Day' and Tracy's friend," said Crawford. "He's a really fun and accepting guy, full of energy. He's also suave, cool and a good dancer. It's one of my dream roles because I love his songs and his character is so cool. He likes dancing and is confident, even though some people don't like him because he's black."

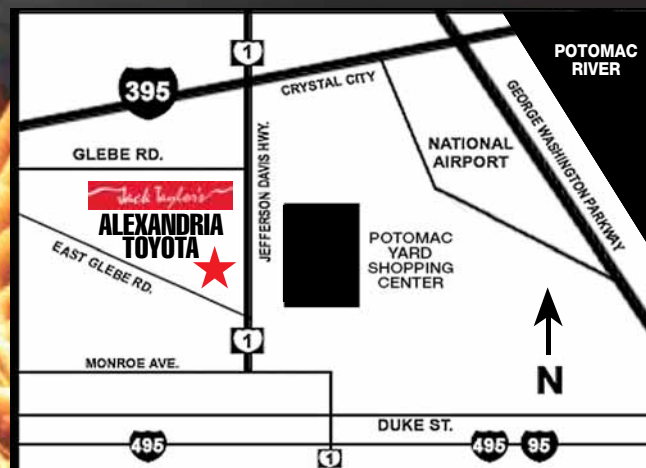
Crawford's favorite number is "Hairspray's" signature song, "You Can't Stop the Beat," because everyone "finally gets together and realizes that it doesn't matter what you look like. We're all there to dance and we can dance with whoever we want. It's really upbeat and one of the show's most energetic songs." He said people will enjoy all the dancing and choreography because "we worked really hard to perfect it."

PLAYING Tracy's best friend, Penny Pingleton, is Emily Flack, who'll double-major this fall in theater and voice at the College of William & Mary. "Penny's quirky and lovable and wants everybody to be happy," said Flack. "She starts getting out from under her overbearing mother's thumb and eventually falls in love with Seaweed. She's fun to portray because she has no inhibitions; she just says what she thinks and is an endearing character."

Flack likes her song, "Without Love," best. "It's when Penny transforms from someone awkward into a confident woman," she said. "And the way the two couples in it interact is both heartwarming and funny." She said the audience will like this show's "timeless quality. Even though it's set during the Civil Rights movement, everyone can relate to it in some way. And they'll pick up on the fun and great time the cast is having putting it on."

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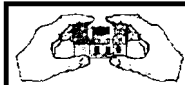
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CARTER LUMBER OF VIRGINIA, INC.,
PLAINTIFF,
v.
DANIEL ROBINSON, et al.
DEFENDANTS.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is to recover money damages for breach of contract.

It is ORDERED that Daniel Robinson and Alaric Holdings, LLC appear at the above-named court on July 30, 2015 at 8:30 A.M. to protect their interests.

David M. O'Dell, Clerk
June 10, 2015

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LEGAL NOTICE

According to the Lease by and between Kathleen M O'Rourke aka Kathleen D Meehan of unit 1060 and TKG-StorageMart and its related parties, assigns and affiliates in order to perfect the Lien on the goods contained in their storage unit, the manager has cut the lock on their unit and upon cursory inspection the unit was found to contain: christmas decor, boxes, ladders, tool bench, ect. Items will be sold or otherwise disposed of on Friday July 17, 2015 @ 12:00pm at 11325 Lee Hwy Fairfax VA 22030 to satisfy owner's lien in accordance with state statutes.

According to the Lease by and between Khashayar Zargham aka K Zargham of unit 1077 and TKG-StorageMart and its related parties, assigns and affiliates in order to perfect the Lien on the goods contained in their storage unit, the manager has cut the lock on their unit and upon cursory inspection the unit was found to contain: file cabinets, boxes, ect. Items will be sold or otherwise disposed of on Friday July 17, 2015 @ 12:00pm at 11325 Lee Hwy Fairfax VA 22030 to satisfy owner's lien in accordance with state statutes.

According to the Lease by and between Steven Gonzalez of unit 2028 and TKG-StorageMart and its related parties, assigns and affiliates in order to perfect the Lien on the goods contained in their storage unit, the manager has cut the lock on their unit and upon cursory inspection the unit was found to contain: bins, lamp, medical supplies, ect. Items will be sold or otherwise disposed of on Friday July 17, 2015 @ 12:00pm at 11325 Lee Hwy Fairfax VA 22030 to satisfy owner's lien in accordance with state statutes.

WEEK IN FAIRFAX

No Criminal Charges for Officer Who Shot Dog

Eighteen-year Fairfax County Police Department veteran MPO Damien Cichocki has been cleared of any "criminal liability" in a September 2014 incident in which he shot a charging pit bull, police announced in a July 2 statement.

Officers had tracked a suspect in a Fairfax Station robbery to a residence in the 4100 block of Morrisons Way. The suspect came out of the residence and police were placing him in custody when the dog left the house and ran towards the officers.

Cichocki shot the dog while it was charging, wounding but not killing it. Then officers contained the animal and took it to a local veterinary clinic.

— TIM PETERSON

Music, Marching and Ice Cream

The City of Fairfax Band will present a children's concert Thursday, July 16, at 7:30 p.m., at the Veterans Amphitheater outside Fairfax City Hall. It's at 10455 Armstrong St. in Fairfax. There'll be an instrument petting zoo starting at 6:30 p.m., plus free ice cream and balloons for all children. This concert will also feature a children's march

and a drawing for a chance to conduct the band.

Our Daily Bread Appoints Board of Directors

On June 22, Our Daily Bread, Inc. (ODB) appointed its 2015 Board of Directors. Our Daily Bread is an independent, non-denominational 501(c)(3) non-profit that provides emergency assistance, financial counseling and education, seasonal assistance programs to struggling residents of the Fairfax County area of Virginia with a goal of empowering them to be financially self-sufficient.

The Board comprises business and community leaders who volunteer their time to provide oversight and support of ODB's operations.

President: Stacey Forbes, ReedSmith; Vice President: Matt Bosseler, PwC; Treasurer: Matt Casey, KMPG; Secretary: Courtney Nicholson, hCentive LLC.

Directors: Richard Haynes, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (Immediate Past President); Laura Soranno, Accenture Federal Services (Past President); Catherine Read, Creative Read, Inc.; Karen Rasmussen, Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Columbia; Jonathan Goodnight, MITRE Corporation; Mary Lareau, Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax.

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THURSDAY/JULY 9

Person Centered Dementia Care. 3 p.m.

Insight Memory Care Center, 3953 Pender Drive, Suite 100, Fairfax. It's hard to keep individuals with dementia active and engaged; learn to gear activities to them to make your time together enjoyable, frustration free, and memorable. Call 703-204-4664 to RSVP or visit InsightMCC.org for more information.

Spanish Conversation Group. 2 p.m.

Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Participants can practice and improve their Spanish with a native speaker. For more information go to fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches.

FRIDAY/JULY 10

English Conversation Group. 10:30 a.m.

Lorton Library, 9250 Richmond Highway, Lorton. Practice speaking English with others and improve your skills. Adult.

SATURDAY/JULY 11

Living Trust Plus Seminar: How to Protect Your Assets from the Expenses of Probate and Long Term Care.

The Law Firm of Evan H. Farr, P.C., 10640 Main Street, Suite 200, Fairfax. Learn how to protect your assets and obtain valuable Medicaid and Veterans benefits to pay for long-term care.

SATURDAY/JULY 11

Teen Advisory Board. 12 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. The Kingstowne Teen Advisory Board will be holding its meeting. For more information go to fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches.

TUESDAY/JULY 14

Genealogy One-On-One. 1:30 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. A genealogical volunteer will be offering

participants advice of starting or continuing their genealogical research. For more information go to fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches.

English Conversation Group. 7 p.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce Street, Springfield. Practice and improve your English. Adults.

WEDNESDAY/JULY 15

Are They Doing That On Purpose?

Understanding Behaviors. 1:30 p.m. Insight Memory Care Center, 3953 Pender Drive, Suite 100, Fairfax. Join us for this free program at 1:30 pm. Come and learn strategies for communication and dealing with difficult behaviors. Call 703-204-4664 to RSVP or visit InsightMCC.org for more information.

THURSDAY/JULY 16

Is it Normal Aging or Dementia? 7 p.m.

Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Kings Park Library will be hosting an event that will teach participants the difference between normal aging and dementia, as well as the top 10 signs of Alzheimer's disease. For more information go to fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches.

FRIDAY/JULY 17

Toastmaster Openhouse. 11:45 a.m. Mason Enterprise Center, 4031 University Drive, Room 122A, Fairfax. Are you ready to increase your self-confidence, become a better speaker, become a better leader, and communicate more effectively? Come see how we can help you.

English Conversation Group. 10:30 a.m. Lorton Library, 9250 Richmond Highway, Lorton. Practice speaking English with others and improve your skills. Adults.

SATURDAY/JULY 18

Career Building: Book Signing. 7 p.m. Holiday Inn Express, 6401 Brandon Avenue, Springfield. This mini-seminar will empower you with proven strategies to guide you and equip you for the challenges ahead in finding new opportunities that await you. Free.

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