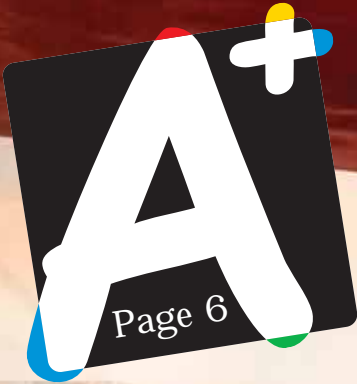




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Restonian Jackie Trautman encourages girls to pursue science, technology, engineering and math through internship. She is pictured with the Lockheed Vega 5B, Amelia Earhart's Plane.



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Making STEM Accessible

Restonian Jackie Trautman encourages girls to pursue science, technology, engineering and math through internship.

By Alyssa Miller
The Connection

Jackie Trautman spends much of her internship making paper airplanes. She can build a miniature aircraft using household objects. And, although she knows she can't change the world immediately, she's working to inspire a love of science, technology, engineering and math in young girls through the Air and Space Museum's Engaging Girls in STEM program.

"We want people to see that everyone designs things," said Trautman, who just finished her freshman year at Penn State, where she studies mechanical engineering. "It's not exclusive to people who are in lab coats."

Trautman grew up in Reston and graduated from South Lakes High School. She works in the Design Hangar at the museum, teaching visitors that they can be successful in STEM fields, regardless of their gender. The program targets 8- to 16-year-olds because, according to Trautman, "that's the age range where girls seem to fall out of the STEM field."

Amy Stamm, the internship program coordinator at the museum, agrees with the importance of programs like Engaging Girls in STEM.



Photo courtesy of Jackie Trautman

Jackie Trautman (left) and co-worker Kendra Sands running a discovery station.

"We have this huge opportunity in these growing careers that have historically been held by men," Stamm said. "Jackie is a great candidate for us because she's studying the same topics that we hope to encourage other girls to study."

In terms of encouraging girls to stay with STEM, Trautman emphasizes the use of volunteer training, a large part of which includes the use of gender-neutral pronouns when discussing scientific achievements.



Photo courtesy of Kathryn Lebo

From left: Jackie Trautman, Kendra Sands, Linda Mills and Celeste Joly.

Constantly describing an astronaut or a scientist as "he" may not seem like a big deal, but according to Trautman, it can negatively impact a girl's ability to see herself as a potential success.

A large part of the program, according to Trautman, is making sure girls "have confidence in themselves and to keep persevering even though some people ... may express doubt."

According to Stamm, one of the most important parts of the program is the chance for visitors to gain hands-on experience with STEM.

"It's one thing to tell a child how the forces of flight work," Stamm said. "It's another thing to show them with their hands, and interact with them."

Michael Hulslander, the manager of Onsite Learning, said Trautman's work could have a lasting impact on girls who visit the center.

"Jackie has been wonderful to work with. She's proven that she's smart, dedicated, and enthusiastic about getting girls interested in STEM," Hulslander said in an email. "Hopefully her work will inspire other girls to become engineers — just like her."

Fairfax County School Board Elects New Chair, Vice Chair

The Fairfax County School Board has elected Sandy Evans (Mason District) as chair and Jane Strauss (Dranesville District) as vice chair for a one-year term. The chair and vice chair assumed office at the July 14 School Board meeting. They were elected by School Board members during the Board's annual organizational meeting.

Evans, who was elected to the School Board in March 2010, served as vice chair during the 2015-16 school year. She is the former chair of the School Board's School Health Advisory Committee and served on the Board's Transportation Task Force. Evans is a member of the steering committee of the Northern Virginia Healthy Kids Coalition; founding member of the Fairfax Education Coalition; and co-founder of Start Later for Excellence in Education Proposal (SLEEP). She served as the legislation committee chair of the Fairfax County Council of PTAs and as president of the Sleepy Hollow Elementary School PTA, and is a former staff writer for the Washington Post. Evans earned her bachelor's in jour-

nalism from the University of Maryland-College Park.

Active in education for over 30 years, Strauss is a former elementary and pre-school teacher. She obtained an M.A.T. from Harvard Graduate School of Education and her B.A. in history from The George Washington University. Strauss is past president of the Franklin Sherman PTA and the Fairfax County Council of PTAs and past chair of the council's education and budget committees. She has served on numerous education and youth affairs committees including the FCPS Career and Technical Preparation Task Force, the Division Planning Committee, the Citizens Bond Committee, and the Fairfax Framework for Student Success. A mother of four FCPS graduates, her Board service



Sandy Evans



Jane Strauss

was from June 1991 to 1993 and from 1996 to the present. She served as Board vice chair in 2000 and Board chair in 2001 and 2011.

In addition to the chair and vice chair, members of the Fairfax County School Board, whose terms run from 2015 to 2019, are: Jeanette Hough (at-large), Pat Hynes (Hunter Mill District), Tamara Derenak Kaufax (Lee District), Ryan McElveen (at-



Photos courtesy of Fairfax County Public Schools

The School Board unanimously elected Sandy Evans as the new chair on July 14.

large), Megan McLaughlin (Braddock District), Ilryong Moon (at-large), Dalia Palchik (Providence District), Karen Corbett Sanders (Mount Vernon District), Elizabeth Schultz (Springfield District), and Thomas Wilson (Sully District).

Opinion

Voting, for Former Felons and Others

In a Democracy, we're best served by more voter participation.

Today, the Virginia Supreme Court will hear an expedited challenge to Gov. Terry McAuliffe's (D) restoration of the voting and civil rights of more than 200,000 Virginians who were convicted of felonies, served their time and completed any supervised release, parole or probation requirements.

The restoration of voting rights moves Virginia into the mainstream. Virginia had been one of four most restrictive states with lifetime bans on voting for those convicted of felonies. Fourteen states automatically restore voting rights once the individual's term of incarceration is over, and two states allow absentee voting from prison. Only 10 states have more restrictive policies than McAuliffe's order about voting for people who have been convicted of

felonies.

While the perception is that such a move will favor Democrats, in a Democracy, it's better for all when more people vote.

According to statistics released by the governor's office, 51.5 percent of those whose voting rights have been restored by McAuliffe's order are white; 45.9 percent are African American. Eighty percent were convicted of nonviolent offenses. Almost half had been completed both their sentences and supervision more than 10 years ago.

Editorial

McAuliffe said: "If we are going to build a stronger and more equal Virginia, we must break down barriers to participation in civic life for people who return to society seeking a second chance. We must welcome them back and offer the opportunity to build a better life by taking an active role in our democracy."

This action brings Virginia into line with 39 other states, with more than 20 states having less restrictive policies. For example, on Feb. 9, 2016, the Maryland General Assembly restored the vote to all convicted felons immedi-

ately upon their release from prison. Previously, people convicted of felonies in Maryland had to complete all parole and probation before they were able to vote.

In Virginia, such individuals still are required to complete their term of incarceration and their term of probation or parole before voting rights are restored.

MEANWHILE, for all Virginia voters, the deadline to register to vote for the Nov. 8, 2016 general election is Oct. 17. You can verify your voter status at <https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation>. This is especially important to do if you have moved or have not voted recently.

In person absentee voting begins Sept. 23. It's an important election, with Virginia playing a critical role in the outcome of the race for U.S. President. There will also be many important local issues on the ballot, along with the races for U.S. Congress.

— Mary Kimm

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Letters to the Editor

Keeping Young Minds Engaged in Summer

To the Editor:

Summer means warmer weather and time for vacations. But it's also a time when the average student loses nearly two months of academic knowledge.

It's called summer slide. While two months may not seem like a big deal now, research has shown the effects of summer learning loss are cumulative. Meaning, children who aren't engaged at a young age while

they're out of school for the summer continually fall behind their peers, ultimately impacting their chances to earn a high school diploma and their chances – or desire – to continue on to college.

Knowing that less than 30 percent of the jobs today in the United States are designed for people with less than a high school diploma is alarming to me. Moreover, as a woman working in the technology sector I understand the importance of getting children excited about science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) fields early.

After all, STEM influences our daily lives. From the weather to smartphones to buildings, STEM is everywhere!

Just imagine – you commit to memory all the valuable information in order to make a presentation at work. Then take a brief vacation and when you return can barely remember enough facts to answer simple questions about your presentation. And because

you can't recall the information, you're passed over for promotions in the future.

Seems frustrating, right? It's no different for students heading back to school in the fall. Because they haven't used the knowledge learned during the school year, they lose it and become discouraged.

If at least a high school diploma is needed for the majority of in-demand jobs, the future workforce may in fact depend on us engaging children today so they can be successful tomorrow. Here are just a few ways to keep children engaged during the summer and maybe even spark a little STEM curiosity at the same time.

❖ **Discovery Education** – Connect the Dots - Discovery Education offers a wide variety of free family resources that provide high quality, relevant material for you and your children.

❖ **National Summer Learning Association** - The National Summer Learning Association is committed to ensuring that students receive quality science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) education in their out-of-school time.

❖ **Global Digital Citizen Foundation** – Global Digital Citizen Foundation curates a list of customizable project-based learning activities organized by STEM subjects.

❖ **Project Lead the Way** – Project Lead the Way empowers students

to thrive in an evolving world and they've compiled a list of 20 simple summer STEM activities.

❖ **Children's Science Center** – Children's Science Center is a hands-on children's museum here in Northern Virginia, where children learn through play.

❖ **NOVA Play Labs** – NOVA Play Labs utilizes play as a way to teach STEM information to children ages 12 months to 14 years old.

So yes, while summer is a time for relaxing, it should also be a time to get ahead on the upcoming year and gain new experiences. If you have children, spend an afternoon at the park to make observations or visit a museum. If

Taking Exception

To the Editor:

The Last week's Connection included a Letter to the Editor from Elizabeth Torpey Bradsher ("School Board Politics and Transgender Policy.") In this letter, Ms Bradsher noted that our current Springfield district representative to the school board, Ms. Elizabeth Schultz, "...has little hope in changing anything..."

I also believe that Ms. Schultz does not/will not have a significant impact on the school board. I differ with Ms. Bradsher on the reason why. I suggest all community members review the videos of work sessions and meetings of the

you don't have children, volunteer your time to read at your local library or make a book donation. I know at Cox, we recently partnered with Daniels Run Elementary School to donate books to the students who needed reading interventions. But it doesn't have to be a big commitment of time or money. Just know that time invested to keep young minds engaged this summer will pay off in the fall and the future. And that's a win-win.

Kathryn Falk

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school board to see how Ms. Schultz interacts and communicates with her fellow school board members and staff. Ms Schultz does not communicate well, does not show respect to the board members, is antagonistic, and non-collaborative.

I am not commenting on her positions or initiatives. I am noting that she is not an effective member of the board, not because of politics, but because she does not have the skills or temperament needed.

Michael Spatola
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Commentary

A Day a Year Health Care

By Kenneth R. "Ken" Plum
State Delegate (D-36)

In a few days I will be driving about six hours from my home in Reston to Wise County in Southwest Virginia to volunteer at the Remote Area Medical Health Clinic at the county fairgrounds. About 5,000 patients are expected to show up at this three-day health event for their once-a-year opportunity for professional health care. The RAM clinics were founded by television star Stan Brock to provide health care for indigent patients in underdeveloped nations. He soon learned that the same kind of care and services were needed in the Appalachian region of Virginia and Tennessee.

Organizing the health care days in Wise County is the Health Wagon, a mobile health clinic, that provides services throughout the year for a four-county region that is the poorest in the state. In addition to its clinic on wheels, the Health Wagon also has two stationary health clinics in Wise and Clintwood counties. The typical patient is 38 years old with an annual income of less than \$20,000. These people cannot afford regular health care insurance, and since the Virginia General Assembly has refused to close the coverage gap they make too much money to qualify for Medicaid.

As Dr. Teresa Gardner, executive director of the Health Wagon, expressed it, "People here have got to make a call between paying their electric bill and buying their medication. It is disheartening to see someone who needs insulin and doesn't have the cash."



The RAM clinic is staffed with volunteer physicians, dentists, nurses, eye care professionals, and others. It costs about \$95,000 to operate the clinic that delivers health care valued at an estimated more than \$2.2 million. That is an amazing return on investment possible because of the generous donation of their time by healthcare professionals who see the tremendous

need. My volunteering at the clinic will be for the more mundane work as I am not a trained health care professional. In addition to helping at the clinic I am bringing to the attention of my friends the monetary needs of the Health Wagon. Please join me in making a contribution. The Health Wagon is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Contributions to the Health Wagon are tax deductible to the extent permitted by law. Mail your check, payable to the Health Wagon, to P.O. Box 7070, Wise, VA, 24293. Or you can contribute online at <https://donatenow.networkforgood.org/thehealthwagon>.

The Health Wagon was featured on CBS's 60 Minutes that described it as "medical mercy for those left out of Obamacare and ineligible for Medicaid." To learn more, view the 60 Minutes segment at <http://thehealthwagon.org/hwwp/2016/04/01/60-minutes-on-the-health-wagon-bandaids-for-states-not-expanding-medicare/>.

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Creating a College Packing List

By Marilyn Campbell
The Connection

When a Chantilly family prepared to send their daughter to college, their process was threefold: packing up her childhood bedroom, setting up her college dorm room and getting organized in the process. They enlisted the help of professional organizer Jodie Campbell Jacobs of SOUPerior Organizing in Springfield. Jacobs discarded, preserved and streamlined, helping the family create a list of items that their daughter would need for college.

“I helped them clean out what they already had so they could get a better idea of what they needed to bring to school,” said Jacobs. “I told her not to bring too much personal stuff. Going off to college is a new chapter in your life and you want to decorate the new space for the new stage.”

Though it is the middle of summer, many families are preparing



College students move into a residence hall at Marymount University.

their rising college freshmen for a new school environment and the requisite lifestyle adjustments: sharing a cramped living space, awkward walks down a hallway to a shared shower and doing one's own laundry.

A COLLEGE PACKING LIST can help organize the transition, but

students should find out before arriving on campus the items that are necessary, such as a microwave oven, mini-refrigerator, television, bed linens and laundry bags, as well as those that are questionable, such as extension cords, multi-plug adapters and toaster ovens.

“Students frequently arrive on campus bringing their pet, such as

a snake, turtle or dog,” said Yolanda Gibson, D.A., associate dean of First Year Experience at Marymount University in Arlington, Virginia. “Unless you have an approved service animal, be mindful of your community and roommate. Also, most college campuses won't allow you to burn items, such as candles and incense.”

Gibson, who is in the midst of coordinating new student orientations for Marymount, recommends that freshmen get a packing list from their university or college and reach out to the person with whom they'll be living.

“Students often come to campus with televisions without consulting their roommate,” said Gibson. “You don't want to have two televisions in a dorm room. Be sure to communicate with your roommate before moving in.”

When it comes to deciding what goes on a packing list, professional organizer Susan Unger of ClutterSOS suggests starting with a generic list, such as one created by one's college or a home merchandise store. “There's no need to reinvent the wheel, you can start with one of those and then personalize it to your own needs,” she said.

One factor to consider when creating a packing list is the distance between one's hometown and their college campus, says Jacobs. “If you live within driving distance, for example, you can think seasonally

and only bring what you need until your next visit home then swap out items,” she said. “Don't bring a ton of sweaters that are going to take up space if you don't need them right away.”

Organization is critical to managing a significant downsize, such as moving out of family home into a shared residence hall, said Jacobs.

“Maximize the space you have,” she said. “When it comes to sharing a dorm room or bedroom in an apartment, look at all the unused space that you normally look past, like the space under the bed.”

Risers, for example, can elevate a bed creating space for stackable storage bins that hold items such as extra towels, sheets and clothing. “These things allow you to maximize every use of space possible without causing a traffic jam,” said Jacobs. “You can't build more space, but you can maximize the space you have.”

Jacobs also advises resisting the urge to super-size. “You don't necessarily need the Costco size of shampoo, you can buy more when-

ever you need it,” she said.

Think vertically advises Unger. “For example, use the backs of doors to hang a shoe organizer,” she said.

“These can be used for items other than shoes such as toiletries, snacks and school supplies. Consider using hanging shelves in your closet for the folded clothing. Use a double hanging rod to double your hanging space.

Use a shower caddy to corral all your bathing needs.” One of those shower items might be a pair of waterproof thongs since many students will have to share a communal bathroom.

Since dorm living means sharing a space, make sure all personal items are identifiable. “Be sure to label everything, especially things like phone chargers since they can easily get mixed up,” said Unger.

Both Unger and Jacobs recommend hooks that attach to a wall with an adhesive. “They can be removed later with no wall damage,” said Unger.

ONE ITEM that Jacobs says many

people don't think about is a lockbox or safe that is fireproof and waterproof. “Keep documents like your social security card, certain medications and anything that you consider valuable,” said Jacobs. “Since most freshman are going to live in a shared space, a lot of people will be going in an out of your dorm room or apartment, so it's great to have a space to put your lockbox where only you have access to it.” Jacobs suggests storing that safe or lockbox in a place that is out of view and inconspicuous. “If someone goes looking, it's not the first thing they will find,” she said. “You can put it on closet shelf under a stack of sweaters or under the bed in a storage bin.”

Finally, not all shopping needs to be done in advance. “Our word of advice is to wait to purchase some of the items until you get here,” said Joey Allen, communication and events manager, Housing and Residence Life at George Mason University in Fairfax. “There is usually time on move in day and the days after to go shopping for items.”

School Notes

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Eight students from Fairfax County Public Schools — all attending Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology (TJHSST) — have been named semifinalists in the 2016 Intel Science Talent Search. The students, with their project names, are:

♦ Jake Cui, A Machine Learning Approach to Identifying Ordered Binding Regions on Order-disorder Protein Interfaces.

♦ Tarun Kamath, Marked Decreases in Pediatric and Young Adult Solid Organ Cancer Mortality in the United States Since 1940: Analysis and Hypotheses.

♦ Ava Lakmazaheri, Brain-actuated Robotics: A Logic-based Approach for Multimodal Programming and Operation of Assistive Humanoid Robots.

♦ Austin Mills, Demonstrating the Development of Heavy Metal Resistance in Non-tolerant Multigenerational Brassica rapa.

♦ Kunal Shroff, The Relationship Between Lethality and Genomic Instability in Euploid and Aneuploid Yeast Cells Expressing Pathological Huntingtin.

♦ Matthew Sun, Hyperacute Temporal Resolution with a Neural Population for Biologically Plausible Firing Rate Change Detection.

♦ Jason Wei, Improving Lateral Flow Immunoassay Sensitivity by a Palladium-catalyzed Dye Reaction.

♦ Michael You, Two-degree-of-freedom Bubble Oscillations in Elastic Vessels and its Application in Sonar-induced Marine Mammal Injuries.

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The 300 semifinalists were chosen from more than 1,750 entrants and will receive matching awards of \$1,000 along with their school.

This is the 75th year of the Science Talent Search, which Intel has sponsored since 1998, providing \$1.6 million in awards and scholarships to contestants.

Kalla Fieger, of Reston, is on the dean's list for spring 2016 at the University of Minnesota Twin Cities. Non Degree, Coll of Continuing Education.

Elizabeth Ashley Drake, of Herndon, is on the dean's list at Hollins University for spring 2016.

Nii Martey Akita, of Oak Hill, graduated spring 2016 from St. Olaf College.

Matthew Francois Monos, of Herndon, and **William Wade McLaughlin**, of Reston, were named to the honors list for the 2016 spring semester at Averett University.

Reston, Virginia Amanda Lee Akers, of Reston, is on the honor list for Spring 2016 at Missouri University of Science and Technology.

Vi Thuy Lam, of Herndon, is on the spring 2016 dean's list at McDaniel College.

Margot Cumming, of Reston, is on the dean's list for May 2016 of the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences at the University of Wisconsin Madison.

Five Charged for Trespassing While Playing Pokémon Go

Fairfax County Police Department offers safety tips.

Police responded to Keene Mill Elementary School, located at 6310 Bardu Avenue in Springfield, around 10:47 p.m. on Wednesday, July 13, for a report of an alarm. Officers found two men and three teenaged boys, ages 15, 16 and 17, inside the school. An investigation determined the suspects allegedly entered the building through an unsecured area. Further investigation determined they were playing the new Pokémon Go game and ended up at this location.

Two 18-years-old Springfield residents were issued summonses for trespassing on school property and released. Petitions for trespassing on school property are being sought for the juvenile suspects - according to FCPD Public Affairs Bureau.

Police ask the public to be mindful of locations when playing the game. The game leads players



Safety alert for Pokémon Go players.

to common meeting places like churches, memorials and parks. However, not all locations and areas in the game are open to the public and not all property owners welcome Pokémon Go players on the property. Remember, be respectful and adhere to all rules and regulations.

Five Safety Tips on Playing Pokémon Go

The Pokémon Go app has become hugely popular since its re-

playing the game have been robbed.

2. Supervise Kids — You should become familiar with the game before allowing your children to download the app. Pokémon Go is a multiplayer game where users may run into other players in the real world as they search similar areas. Take steps to keep your kids safe.

You and your kids should discuss who they can interact with when they go out into public to use the app.

Kids should never play the game alone but in a supervised group. Know when and where your kids are playing.

3. Don't Trespass — The game has a “lure module” that leads the players to various locations to win points and catch Pokémon characters.

These locations are called Pokestops. Pokestops have been found at public places such as libraries and parks.

But stops are also on private property, empty lots or even cemeteries. Players may not realize they are trespassing in restricted areas and may draw attention of law enforcement and residents. Please, don't trespass. You can

catch Pokémon without going into or onto property.

4. Don't Enter Fire Stations — Please do not enter Fairfax County fire stations, including open apparatus bays. Firefighters and medics respond to emergency calls 24 hours a day. At any given time, they may be called to an emergency and a distracted pedestrian causes a dangerous situation for responders and trucks leaving the station.

5. Play in the Parks — Fairfax County is thrilled that so many folks are coming to county parks to play. During your visit, take time to learn a little about the natural and cultural resources surrounding you using the trails map. Playing the game requires you to frequently look at your phone, so take these precautions:

Be sure to keep looking around to see where you are, so you don't walk into a tree or a yellow jackets nest or bump into other people.

Pay attention to the time; parks close at dusk. (Staff will chase out the Pokémon then, too.) Please stay on the park trails even if the Pokémon don't



South Lakes High School participants at Nationals 2015: Devyn Jones, Sophie Halkett, Sarah Wolfe, Olivia Beckner, Golden Kumi-Darfour and Skander Ballard.

South Lakes Track Team Breaks Two School Records

South Lakes High School closed out its outdoor track season breaking two school records and tying an 18-year mark June 17-19 at the New Balance Outdoor Nationals track and field meet at North Carolina A&T University.

Junior Devyn Jones ran a 14.52 in the preliminaries of the 100 hurdles, breaking her own mark set last month. She finished sixth in Emerging Elite finals with a time of 14.75.

The 4x800 relay team of freshman Sophie Halkett, sophomores Sarah Wolfe and Olivia Beckner and senior Golden Kumi-Darfour broke the school record they set in May with a 9:15.79 for 12th place in the Championship Division.

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Senior Skander Ballard ran a personal best time of 48.17 for 15th place in the Championship Division of the 400, tying the school record A.J. Price set in 2008. Ballard will compete for the College of William & Mary next year.

Beckner and Kumi-Darfour also competed in Emerging Elite division individual events: Beckner was seventh in the mile run (5:03.74) and Kumi-Darfour, who will run at Coastal Carolina next year, ran a 2:15.70 for 30th in the 800.

Jones, Halkett, Beckner and Kumi-Darfour competed in the 4x400 relay and finished 20th in the Championship Division with a season-best time of 3:56.09.

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Food Truck Full of Temptations

Ed Hardy's truck has recently been parked in Reston at lunchtimes.

By Alexandra Greeley
The Connection

How often do local foodies come across a food truck with such an eye-catching logo: BaconN'Ed's? A play on the iconic American breakfast—bacon and eggs—the food truck even sports artwork of eggs sizzling in a skillet. And who is the playful chef who has devised this eye-catcher and whose truck has recently been parked in Reston at lunchtimes.

Unlike many chefs, Richmond native Hardy did not grow up in a food-centric family and did not learn the basics from his mom or grandmother. But he did cook his way through the last two years of college at the University of Virginia. He even worked in several local Charlottesville restaurants, thinking that cheffing would attract girlfriends. There Hardy learned some basic kitchen skills and even grew to enjoy cooking

and playing around with recipes. But after graduation, he went to work as a staff member for several congressional campaigns, a far cry from tending to sizzling steaks.

Fed up with the political life, however, Hardy left politics for good, moving to New York to enroll in the French Culinary Institute, now called the International Culinary Center. After earning his degree there and graduating third in his class, Hardy honed his cooking skills by working in two notable Manhattan kitchens and chefs: with Chef Marcus Samuelsson and with chef Michael Romano.

After working other New York chef jobs, Hardy headed to D.C., where after a stint at a now-closed McLean restaurant, and working at his Quench restaurant in Rockville, Hardy decided on heading into other projects. Noting that



Ed Hardy.

the plaza at Reston's metro station offered space for retail food sales, he worked there for half a year, and then moved on to his food truck business. In the meantime, however, he has become something of a food celebrity. "I have appeared on the Food Network,"

he said, "and I get lots of social media attention."

Ah, food-truck food, some critics may say. But they can't disparage Ed Hardy, who applies his culinary training to his food. "Fine dining is not left behind," he said. "I find that making additions to

recipes makes a dish better, like bacon and breakfast sausages." He also has created a stunning chicken sandwich that is not your typical mayo-lettuce combo. He calls it Fried Chicken banh mi, which is a take on a classic Vietnamese sandwich, but with boneless crunchy chicken and crispy bacon. Speaking of bacon: Hardy even cures and smokes his own.

But Hardy offers many other temptations, and even if you wish, he will cook up a pig roast. Sadly, he does not have a brick-and-mortar location, but if you check his Facebook page daily (<https://www.facebook.com/BaconNEds/>), you can track him down, then pig out. He stresses, however, that his appearances are generally by appointment. As he noted, "Truly the best way to experience our food is to log onto www.mobilegourmetkitchen.com and book us."

Photo contributed

GRACE Presents Artist Member Exhibition Runs through Aug. 27

Greater Reston Arts Center presents the Mary B. Howard Artist Member Exhibition, its second biennial exhibition highlighting the talents of regional artists who support GRACE's mission of enriching community life through excellence in contemporary visual arts. The Artist Member Exhibition has been renamed this year in memory of Mary B. Howard, an artist and longtime board member and supporter of GRACE. These 30 artists selected by juror Stefanie Fedor show a compelling blend of form and content through their exploration of a wide variety of themes and diverse use of media. Their works have transformed the GRACE gallery into an invigorating space filled with dynamic forms and expressive colors.

Greater Reston Arts Center is free and open to the public from June 30 – Aug. 27, 2016 during the following hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 1 – 5 p.m.; Thursday, 1-7 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m.–5 p.m. Greater Reston Arts Center welcomes family engagement in contemporary visual art and provides materials, as well suggestions for art projects, relating to the exhibition in Explore More! art buckets. Parents are encouraged to actively participate in a meaningful art experience through the self-led gallery tour and art making with the materials provided. Cost is \$5 per child.

Greater Reston Arts Center is located at 12001 Market Street, Suite 103, in Reston.



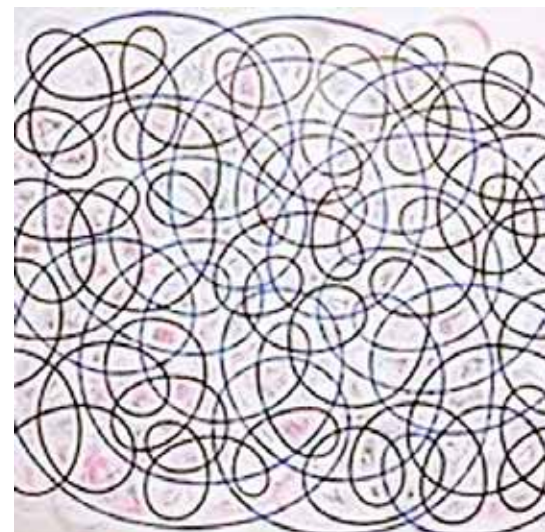
Andrea Cybyk, Floating Forms 2, 2016, acrylic on paper, 10" x 8" x 2"



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Heidi Fowler, No. 022.32.016, 2016, acrylic and mixed media on panel, 24" x 24"



Russ Bailey, The One That's Like a Base Line and a Melody, 2009, acrylic on canvas, 48" x 60"

Entertainment

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ONGOING

Summer Group Art Show. Through Aug. 3. Reston Art Gallery and Studios, 11400 Washington Plaza, Reston. Diverse works of nine artists. RestonArtGallery.com.

"Golden Moments" by Lassie Corbett. Aug. 4-Sept. 1. Reston Art Gallery and Studios, 11400 Washington Plaza, Reston. Artist exhibit. RestonArtGallery.com.

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"Paint and Beyond." July 1-29. Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. U.S. Geological Survey, National Gallery, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston. Free. www.leagueofrestonartists.org.

Yoga on the Plaza. 9:30-10:30 a.m. Sundays. Through Aug. 28. Stretch out and cool down to start your Sunday morning with yoga. Our talented yoga instructors will lead you through one hour of free exercise on the Plaza to the tune of fun music. Bring your own mat and water. lakeanneplaza.com.

Take a Break Concert Series. Thursdays. 7 p.m. June 16-Sept. 1. Lake Anne Plaza, Reston. Bands and entertainers at the plaza. lakeanneplaza.com.

Summer Entertainment Series. June 1-Aug. 31. Fairfax County Parks. A summer-long calendar of shows, concerts and movies appropriate for you and your family. These concerts held in local parks are the perfect place to bring a picnic dinner, blankets and lawn chairs to enjoy the best local and regional entertainers. Free. To find out what's playing at your nearby park, go to <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performance/>.

Reston Concerts on the Town. 7:30-10 p.m. Saturdays, June-August. Reston Town Center Pavilion. Bring lawn chairs or picnic blankets and enjoy live music in the Pavilion. Free. Rain or shine. restontowncenter.com. 703-579-6720.

MONDAY/JULY 18 - FRIDAY/JULY 29

Summer Stem Camps. South Lakes High School, 11400 South Lakes Drive, Reston. VEX IQ Robotics. and VEX1 Robotics. Register at www.nvcc.edu/systemic or contact SySTEMic Solutions Regional STEM Coordinator Aleksander Marthinussen at 703-530-2894 or



Dorothy Donahey's work will be on display through Aug. 3 at the Reston Art Gallery and Studios.

systemic@nvcc.edu for more information.

WEDNESDAY/JULY 20

Summer Cinema Series. 7 p.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. An Alain Resnais Academy Winner. French with English subtitles. Adults and teens. 703-397-0420.

THURSDAY/JULY 21

Introduction to Doing Business with the Intelligence Community. 8 a.m. Leidos Conference Center, Freedom Square One, 11951 Freedom Drive, Reston. \$35/\$50. For more information, please contact Ashleigh Dorfman, CSEP, events and development director at 703-707-9045 or ashleighd@restonchamber.org.
Color Me Happy. 7 p.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Relax, unwind, turn loose your inner artist and discover that coloring is for grown-ups, too. Choose from a collection of intricate designs and bring them to life with color. Coloring pages, pens and pencils provided, or bring your own. 703-397-0420.

FRIDAY/JULY 22

Reston Station Music. 6:30-8:30 p.m. Reston Station, 1904 Reston Metro Plaza, Reston. Alfredo Mojica and Friends. Latin Rhythms.

703-230-1985.

DJ Gus Spinning Top 40 Favorites. 9:30 p.m. Kalypso's Sports Tavern, 1617 Washington Plaza North, Reston. 703-707-0660.

SATURDAY/JULY 23

Chris Grabenstein. 2 p.m. Barnes and Noble Booksellers Tysons, 7851 L. Tysons Corner Center, McLean. Grabenstein will read and sign copies of his newest book Mr. Lemoncello's Library Olympics. 703-506-2937.

Reston Station Movies. 8:30 p.m. Reston Station, 1904 Reston Metro Plaza, Reston. "Aladdin." 703-230-1985.

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THURSDAY/JULY 28

Dollars and Sense. 7 p.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. A monthly book discussion group that focuses on business leaders and markets. July's title is "America's Bank" by Roger Lowenstein. 703-397-0420.

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Before, During And Not Yet After

By KENNETH B. LOURIE



It's a peculiar task to be writing ahead (for publication July 20, 2016), about something that has not happened, yet when this column ultimately does publish will have likely already happened. This "bassackward" perspective (and Colorado "Blue" run) refers to the CT Scan I had completed last Wednesday, July 13, results of which I will learn anywhere from two days from now (electronically) at the quickest to two weeks at the latest (when my next face-to-face appointment with my oncologist is scheduled). And yes, if you think two weeks is a long time (interminable comes to mind) to ponder your fate and the universe in which you hope to still live, it most definitely is. But given the nature of the medical system/appointment availability with which I have to work, I have limited say in the matter, a matter of crucial importance – to me.

However, after seven-plus years of it, I've gotten use to (I wouldn't say comfortable though) the process. Is it my preference to wait for fate and allow medical nature to take its course? Hardly. Have I been told (and experienced quite frankly), that if there is significant, time-sensitive, potentially life-changing information to relate, I will be informed much sooner than later? Absolutely. (During the original diagnostic assessment of the migrating pain in my ribs.) Is there/has been there room for misinterpretation in the silence/lack of communication from one's oncologist when said oncologist has said he prefers to deliver bad news in person – not electronically and/or over the phone? Of course. What if, and I found out after the "interminable" wait (which happened to me yesterday at my infusion, as a matter of coincidence) that my doctor is actually away on vacation during this post-scan week and the non-communication has nothing at all to do with "bad results wanting to be delivered in person?" Moreover, what happens to my level of expectation when the oncologist has good news to share about my scan and in turn breaks his own rule about wanting to inform me in person, generally, and e-mails me early with good news? Happiness, relief, obviously. But what happens on subsequent scans (like now) when he doesn't e-mail me early? What if I didn't know he was on vacation or at a medical conference, as another example, which has also happened? I never know. Or has the doctor decided he wants to deliver all news in person to eliminate ANY possible misinterpretation of scans (which has also happened)? So does good news always travel fast, and bad news much slower? Not necessarily and not so consistently. Welcome to my cancer whirled.

All of this is fairly manageable (believe it or not), except that I know of lung cancer patients who have their CT Scans in the morning, and after lunch, have their appointment with their oncologist to discuss the results. Just like at my wife's bar: "Same Day Service." Unfortunately, that's not my day. My reality is quite different, and there seems little I can do about it. And consider that for yours truly – and any other patient waiting for scan results (mammograms comes to mind) – managing the anxiety seems the only reasonable action, rather than stressing about a results loop that likely will never change (maintaining similar behavior and expecting different results; I'm not insane. See July 13th column).

As you can read, my cancer-patient experience has been a combination of a roller-coaster ride, Ferris wheel and bumper cars; up and down and all around and getting smashed at any time. Without much amusement. However, if you don't find some joy in it, there will only be loathing. And that's no way to live your life, making a bad situation worse, especially as a cancer patient. Certainly communication and clarity matter; so too does peace and happiness.

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Ridge Heights and Autumnwood teams organized a food drive for F.I.S.H



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Robby Cordts (LA), John Hughes (LA), and William Harvey (HW) compete in the Boys 15-18 butterfly.

RSTA Swimmers Host a Fish Drive, Set New Records

The Ridge Heights Sharks and Autumnwood Piranhas teams organized a canned fish drive benefiting Herndon-Reston FISH, Inc.

Reston Swim Team Association penultimate meet also saw the Hunters Woods Blue Marlins set a new league record in the boys' 13-14 age 200 medley relay when their team of Liam Tolbert, Daniel Li, Philip Pan, and Albert Xu finished with a time of 2:07.98, besting their own league record from earlier in the season.

For Lake Audubon, a new team record of 2:09.51 was set in the boys' 13-14 age 200 medley relay by Spencer Harris, Ian Ha, Matthew Fritz, and Maxwell Wilson, beating their record from earlier in the season.

Ridge Heights Sharks 553, Autumnwood Piranhas 495

For Ridge Heights, double event winners were Owen Brooker, Connor Pierce, Anna

Rasmussen, and Ryan Vanderhoof. The triple event winners were Hailey Brown, Kelsye Brown, Jean-Claude Guill, Nicholas Hansing, Kati Imel, Paige Sogandares, Hailey Wang, and Josh Zhang.

For Autumnwood, double event winners were Andrew Bolster, Chase Brown, Curtis Bushee, Gillian Bushee, Blake Jackson, Anne Kennedy, Luke McDermott, Max McDermott, Evan G Melnick, Anna C Nielsen, and Donovan Willson.

North Hills Hurricanes 575, Glade Dolphins 551

For North Hills, double event winners were Arjuna Bazaz, Gabriel Berdach, Sean Burke, Corey Clark, Daniel Doman, Caelen Grange, Ryan Grimes, Valerie Kovacs, Ryan Luczak, Jack McFarlin, Miles Yang, and Evan Zhang. Triple event winners were Gabriel Huang, Daniella Ramsey, and Samantha Sciortino.

For Glade, double event winners were Maya Berry, Andy Carro, Deidre Curry, Rebecca Dodson, Emilie Fiske, Sam Joyner, Jack Thomas, and Hannah Waller. The triple event winners were Lainie Davidson, Amelia Flavin, Kaitlin Mahon, and Karan Murari.

Lake Audubon Barracudas 614, Hunters Woods Blue Marlins 551

For Lake Audubon, double event winners were Christopher Chadsey, Sumaya Finney, Ian Ha, John Hughes, Dennis Jackson, Athena Joannou, Aidan Lender, Lenn Vikhman, and Nathan Vikhman. Triple event winners were Max Daum, Suyu Haering, Brooke Jackson, Emmanuel LeJeune, Valeria Novoa, and Aidan Scanlan.

For Hunters Woods, double event winners were Mary Carol Cook, John Evans, Jacob Ham, William Harvey, Andrew Li, Megan

Slater, Alyssa Sun, Meredith Wagner, and Albert Xu. Triple event winners were Katie Vintimilla and Gwyneth Wagner.

Lake Newport Lightning 639, Lake Anne Stingrays 474

For Lake Newport, double event winners were Grant Bommer, Sydney Dellorto, Sophia Egge, Jeffrey George, Morgan Giebel, Dylan Jones, William Kohn, Anna Redican, Kai Shannon, Zoe Van Winkel, and Connor Witt. Triple event winners were Michael George, Neil Kumar, Joseph Redican, Meghna Sharma, Zach Wang, Vania B Zeledon, Sarah Zhong, and Michael Zhou.

For Lake Anne, double event winners were Daniel Echeverri, Elvis Mescall, Frances North, and Fred Zhang. The triple event winners were Emily Meilus and Hannah Ziiai.

South Lakes High Boys Lacrosse Completes Most Successful Season

The South Lakes Seahawks boys lacrosse team recently completed its most successful season in the school's history.

Finishing the season with an overall record of 16-3, the Seahawks won the Liberty Conference tournament for the first time, placed third in the Virginia 6A North regional tournament and advanced to the Virginia State Championship tournament, also the first for the Seahawks. The team, players and coaching staff received many accolades as a result of their successful season, including: South Lakes Boys Varsity Lacrosse Team: 2016 Liberty Conference Champions, (Undeclared in the tournament), Virginia 6A Region Tournament (3rd place), and VHSL State Tournament (1st round). Coach Craig Lunde, guiding the team in his fifth season, was selected 2016 VHSL All State Coach of the Year, 6A All Region Coach of the Year, and Liberty Conference Coach of the Year. Matthew Hughes, Liberty Conference Co-Player of the Year, was named 2016 First Team All State (Defense); 6A All-Region 1st Team (Defense); Liberty Conference Defensive

Player of the Year; and 1st Team All Conference (Defense). Hughes was also named to the prestigious Washington Post All Met Team (2nd Team, Defense) Sophomore Spencer Alston was selected for the 2016 All Region 2nd Team (Midfield) and 2016 Liberty Conference 1st Team All-Conference (Midfield). Senior Tommy Jung and junior JC Sipher were named to the 2016 Liberty Conference 1st Team All-Conference (Attack) Senior Eric Ottman was selected to the 2016 Liberty Conference 1st Team All-Conference (Defense) Senior Nate Campbell was selected to the 2016 Liberty Conference 2nd Team All-Conference (Attack) Freshman Stevie Jones was selected to the 2016 Liberty Conference 2nd Team All-Conference (Midfield) Senior John Hughes was selected to the 2016 Liberty Conference 2nd Team All-Conference (Goalie) Juniors Eric Kiss, Justin May, and Chris Sherbert were named to the 2016 Liberty Conference Honorable Mention All-Conference (Midfield) Junior Matt Degutis and senior Alex Nelson were named to the 2016 Liberty Conference Honorable Mention All-Conference (Defense).

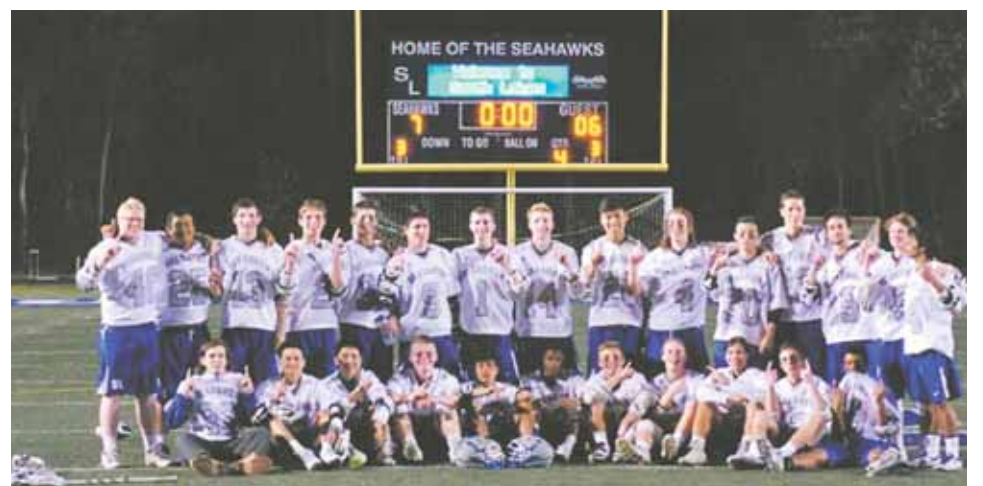


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South Lakes High School lacrosse team completes successful season.