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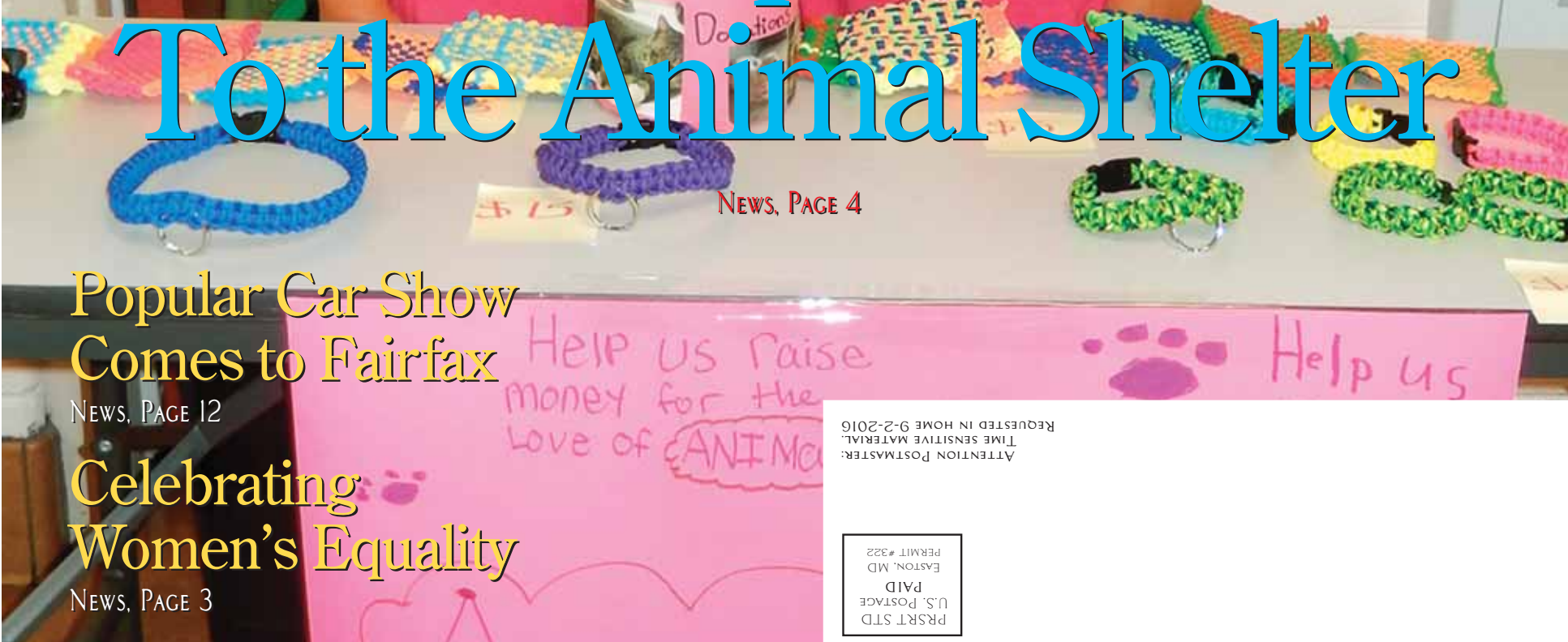
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# Celebrating Women's Equality

## Architect unveils the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial design at Occoquan Regional Park.

BY STEVE HIBBARD  
THE CONNECTION

To celebrate the 96th anniversary of Women's Equality Day on Friday, Aug. 26, which recognizes the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution that gave women the right to vote, the League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area held a Women's Equality Day Lecture at Gunston Hall in Lorton. It was sponsored by the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial Association and Gunston Hall, home of George Mason.

The meeting featured a video documentary on suffragist icon Inez Milholland Boissevain and a talk by historian, Edith Mayo, Curator Emeritus in Political and Women's History at the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History. Don McAndrews, speaking in character as George Mason, also addressed the gathering. But the highlight of the meeting was the unveiling of the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial design by architect Robert Beach of Burke that will be built at Occoquan Regional Park.

**THE \$2 MILLION** national memorial will include 19 informational stations that present the history of the suffragist movement. There will be six pillars that discuss activism and democracy; commemorative banners; a rock garden with a bridge; and a memorial cascade wall. The memorial will also feature a garden with native plants and three meditation areas; a rotunda with a sculpture; a plaza; a pond; a rail car; White House entrance plaza gates; plaques of donors; and a seasonal gift shop. Beach said that lots of the details still need to be figured out.

"It's a memorial about a national event recognizing the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. We're hoping to get it completed by 2020, which is the 100th anniversary of the women's right to vote," said Beach.

"It's recognizing Alice Paul and Lucy Burns and the other suffragists who picketed the Woodrow Wilson White House in 1917 for the women's right to vote. They were arrested and sent to prison — many to the Lorton Reformatory. There they were treated in harshly inhumane conditions being force fed and beaten; but this tribulation was the turning point in the movement toward ratification of the 19th Amendment. It turned the public's opinion towards ratification," said Beach.

Pat Wirth, Executive Director of the Turning Point Suffrage Memorial, said: "We need



**An artist's rendering of the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial by architect Robert Beach of Burke. The memorial is slated to be built at Occoquan Regional Park.**



**George Mason, a.k.a. Don McAndrews, who has been portraying George Mason at Gunston Hall since 1995.**

to build this memorial. We need to have a place to honor the two million women who worked to get us the vote. It's been critical for women in our country to be able to do this. The mission of our organization is to educate, inspire and empower present and future generations to remain vigilant for future rights."

She added: "We are also intending to put together a Turning Point Institute, with programs for middle and high school youth around the country. The idea is for people who go through our program — we want to inspire them to become leaders and advocates. We need to make sure our young people don't take this for granted. We want to teach the young people about the importance of voting."

In highlighting one of the pioneers of women's voting rights, Edith Mayo, cura-



**Virginia State Sen. George Barker of Clifton (D-39).**

tor emeritus (retired) in political history at the Smithsonian Institution, told the gathering: "(Inez Milholland) became the icon of the women's suffrage movement because she lead major parades in New York and a huge parade in Washington, D.C., on horseback on the day before Woodrow Wilson was inaugurated. She went on an extended speaking tour of the West because there were a number of states that had granted women the right to vote. So this becomes the first time anyone addressed women voters separately as a group to get them to stand for or against a political principle."

Mayo said Milholland was in poor health and collapsed on stage in October 1916, and thus became a martyr of the suffragist cause. The National Women's Party secured Statuary Hall in the U.S. Capitol building for her memorial service on Christmas day



**(From left): Pat Wirth, Executive Director of the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial, with Nancy Sargeant, Board Chair of the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial.**

in 1916, which was attended by 10,000 people. Her last words were put on banners and women began picketing the White House, asking President Wilson how long must women wait for liberty. The picketing went on for 17 months and drew public outrage and political attention to the cause. Women's voting rights were finally made part of the U.S. Constitution on Aug. 26, 1920. "That's why we're celebrating Women's Equality Day on Aug. 26," said Mayo.

She said the women's voting movement had been going on since 1848 in a variety of political forms, mostly from lobbying and speeches and trying to get referenda passed in individual states to get women the right to vote.

"But in the final drive, (Milholland) became this icon. You would see her in all the newspapers. She was a perfect spokeswoman — young, beautiful, articulate, and able to move crowds with her speeches. And then she gave up her life (at the age of 30 from pernicious anemia and other infections including tonsillitis)," said Mayo.

**REGARDING WOMEN'S RIGHT TO VOTE**, Mayo added: "I think one of the things we're trying to get across is one has to be vigilant about voting rights. The voter suppression of recent years has concerned a lot of Americans. It took such guts and determination for all these groups except for white men to get the right to vote that any slipping backward and trying to suppress the right to vote is a grave concern."

She said you don't find women's voting rights discussed except for a couple of paragraphs in most history books, and that very few people know about how women got the right to vote. "And no one knows that President Wilson had them jailed at Lorton Prison, which is where we're hoping to build our Suffrage Memorial to honor these women who got us the right to vote," she said.



# ‘An Inspiration’ to the Animal Shelter

## Local girls raise money for the facility.

BY BONNIE HOBBS  
THE CONNECTION

**T**ara Sankner and Shelby Mysel are two young ladies with great, big hearts and a love for animals. And for the second year in a row, they held a fundraiser for the Fairfax County Animal Shelter.

“I don’t like the way some people treat their dogs and cats badly and just abandon them,” explained Tara. “But the shelter takes them in and takes care of them, so we wanted to raise money for it.”

“The shelter can use it to help get the food and medicine the animals need,” added Shelby.

Tara, 11, a rising sixth-grader at Lees Corner Elementary, and Shelby, 12, a rising seventh-grader at Lanier Middle School, sold items they made themselves. Using paracord, a type of nylon rope, they created brightly colored pot holders, drink coasters, bracelets and animal collars.

Then on Saturday, Aug. 13, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., they set up a table inside the shelter to offer their wares; and they picked a good day for it. Saturday was “Empty the Shelter Day,” when all the normal adoption fees were waived, so even more people than usual went there to adopt animals.

**LAST YEAR**, in a similar fundraiser, the girls raised \$588 for the shelter. But this time, their goal was \$800 – and they made it. Whenever there was a lull at their table, they walked around with a donation jar, seeking contributions from everyone there. By 1:15 p.m., they’d raised more than \$700; and by the time they were done, their grand total was \$809.25.



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(From left) Shelby Mysel and Tara Sankner hold their handmade potholders, dog collars and bracelets.

“I’m incredibly proud of them,” said Shelby’s mom, Karen Mysel. “It’s just awesome what they do, and I’m excited that they came up with other ideas about what they wanted to make. Last year was just potholders. And they’re already thinking about what they’ll make next year. They’ll even begin making everything earlier so

they’ll have a bigger inventory.”

“We started working on them, the middle of summer,” said Shelby. “But we were both busy with other stuff, so we had to find the time.”

Not surprisingly, both girls have dogs of their own. Shelby has a 2-year-old Golden Retriever named Coco, and Tara has a 4-

year-old Labrador/boxer mix named Caroline. And, said Tara, “Shelby’s dog is hilarious.”

“We’ll throw a ball in the yard, and Coco will sometimes get excited while running, put her head down and fall over. She’s called a Golden Retriever, but she’s not that good at retrieving.”

**TARA ESPECIALLY** likes snuggling with her dog. “When Caroline lays down, she always wants me to pet her stomach. And when I stop, she pushes my arm down with her paw so I’ll pet her more. She’s also active around guests and happy to see them.”

For example, said Shelby, “When Tara and I have sleepovers, Caroline will come over and lick my face. And I’m like, ‘Really, Caroline, I’m trying to sleep.’”

So it was only natural, then, that the two friends held a fundraiser for the animal shelter. “I just think it’s touching that they want to give back to the shelter,” said Tara’s mom, Tammy Sankner. “And they’re selfless to want to do this during their summer break. This was their own idea that they carried over from last year to this year, making an even bigger fundraising goal this time.”

For their part, shelter personnel were delighted. “We are very thrilled that these girls care so much about the animals that they’re willing to spend so much time making all the great things they’ve made and donating the proceeds to the shelter,” said Cindy Sbrocco, the animal shelter’s volunteer coordinator. “They’re an inspiration for all the staff and volunteers.”

## SCHOOLS

### Honored for Excellence in Teaching

Kelle Lyn Scott, who taught math at Robinson Secondary School for the past seven years, is one of 213 teachers nationwide to be recognized with the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching. Scott, who is part of the grades 7-12 award cohort, is one of four teachers in Virginia to be recognized. Scott encourages students to learn cooperatively with their classmates and to discuss mathematical concepts and connections. She believes in providing opportunities for discovery and student choice, and worked with teammates to develop projects that enable students to apply multiple mathematics concepts to real-life situations. She believes in setting high expectations for each student, and providing support and a caring environment to encourage their growth. At Robinson, Scott taught mathematics 7, mathematics 8, Algebra 1, and some math intervention courses. She also served as a department chair and coach of first year math teachers. Currently, she is an instructional coach at Rose Hill Elementary School. She has been employed by FCPS for 10 years. Scott earned her bachelor’s degree in French and master’s degree in secondary education from Valparaiso University in Indiana. Winners are selected by a panel of distinguished scientists, mathematicians, and educators, and receive a \$10,000 award from the National Science Foundation to be used at their discretion.

## AREA ROUNDUPS

### Blood Donations Needed

During National Preparedness Month in September, the American Red Cross encourages eligible donors to give blood to help ensure a readily available blood supply for emergencies. Whether blood is needed for a chronic condition such as sickle cell disease, a routine surgery, a traumatic accident or a large-scale emergency, it’s the blood already on the shelves that helps save lives. Donors of all blood types are needed. To thank those who come out to give Sept. 2-6, the Red Cross is providing a branded duffel bag, while supplies last. To make an appointment to give blood, visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). Donors are encouraged to make appointments and complete the RapidPass online health history questionnaire at [redcrossblood.org/rapidpass](http://redcrossblood.org/rapidpass) to help reduce wait times.

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TJHSST students display a mural they created for NOVA Pediatrics and Young Adult Medicine in Springfield.

## TJHSST and NOVA Pediatrics: A Partnership in Art

**N**OVA Pediatrics and Young Adult Medicine has recently celebrated its 55th Anniversary and teamed up with Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology (TJHSST) to support arts in education to commemorate the milestone. NOVA Pediatrics invited art students from the school to create a mural for their recently repainted Springfield office. The partnership worked together over the course of a year brainstorming ideas on the themes of patient health and wellness. The students incorporated those themes into the large mural which was painted on a canvas 4 feet tall by 10 feet long.

NOVA Pediatrics and Young Adult Medicine has served the Northern Virginia community for the past 55 years and has locations in Springfield and Woodbridge. "We felt that this was a good way to involve the local community and to give these young creative art students a real commission," said Dr. Laurence Seidman, President. He contacted the head of the art department, Tim Davis, who suggested the Art Honor Society would be excited to handle the project. While the school is known for its academic excellence in the areas of math and science, the students are also very creative, bright and committed to community service.

The students participating in the project

were:

Alyssa Lee, Jonathan Burkle, Arthur Wu, Sam Liu, Audrey Huang, Chantal Iosso, Hannah Collins, Helen Tran, Immalla Chen, Varun Iyengar, Jessica Wang, Lada Semicheva, Michelle Cao, Prabhav Bhaumik, Rachel Eom, Sharon Liu, Sydney Miller, and Warren Chen. They worked under the leadership of their mentor and teacher, Tim Davis. This was done after school hours and during their free time despite their busy schedules.

NOVA Pediatrics presented a check for \$500 to the art department at TJHSST. The money could be used for future art trips and supplies that may not be adequately funded.

Nova Pediatrics and Young Adult Medicine has served the Northern Virginia community now for 55 years and has privileges at both INOVA Fairfax and Alexandria hospitals.

There are offices in both Springfield and Woodbridge. Currently there are 7 board certified Pediatricians: Doctors Laurence Seidman, Violet Nematollahy, Allison Rodgers, Mona Hanna, Tiffany Meyer, Gina Schwartz, and Jamie Zakkak, as well as three Nurse Practitioners: Lena Garcia, Ginger Beecher, and Virginia Krause, who have over 125 years of combined service. They provide care from birth to the age 25 to patients in Northern Virginia.



NOVA Pediatrics presented a check for \$500 targeted to the art department at TJHSST.

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# Take One Action to Prevent Suicide

## Suicide Prevention Week is Sept. 5-13, #MindsMatter

As school begins, we are accustomed to safety warnings. Slow down driving, watch for students along the roads, near schools and perhaps behaving unpredictably near intersections. Buckle seat belts. Wear bicycle helmets. Avoid distracted driving.

Suicide is the third leading cause of death for youth between 10 and 24 years old, according to the Centers for Disease Control, with 4,600 deaths a year, and 157,000 youth receiving emergency medical care for self-inflicted injuries. Overall, more than 42,000 Americans die by suicide each year.

Appropriately, Suicide Prevention Week is next week, Sept. 5-13, and the Connection is partnering with PRS CrisisLink to raise awareness about how to prevent suicide.

Risk factors for a suicide attempt include a history of depression or other mental illness, a history of previous suicide attempts, alcohol or drug abuse, stressful life event or loss, easy

access to lethal methods (firearms are the leading method of youth suicide), exposure to the suicidal behavior of others, and a family history of suicide. Young people who are LGBTQ are at higher risk.

Crisis Link was founded by volunteers in 1969 as the Northern Virginia Hotline, beginning as an evening hotline for Arlington teens. Within a year, hotline services were expanded to 24 hours a day to provide skilled, compassionate listening for people of all ages. The organization began serving individuals in crisis throughout the entire metropolitan Washington, D.C. region in 1970. In August of 2014, CrisisLink merged with PRS, Inc. Now named PRS CrisisLink, the program is able to provide services to more individuals than ever before.

In Fairfax County, where several high schools have mourned the suicide deaths of students, online interactive training is available to everyone about how to talk to a young person who might be depressed or considering suicide.

Fairfax County's Youth Suicide Prevention Training includes free online simulations that prepare educators and other adults to recognize when a young person is exhibiting signs of psychological distress, and to talk with the young person to be able to connect them with

## Help Available

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National Hopeline Network: 1-800-SUI-CIDE  
National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-TALK

appropriate support. Also available is a free online simulation for high school students to practice how to talk to a friend struggling with depression or psychological distress. Access to these programs is available by visiting [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/csb/at-risk](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/csb/at-risk)

We also can't let the discussion on gun violence add to the stigma of mental health illness. People with mental health issues are far more likely to be victims of violence than to perpetrate it. When the debate turns to a push and pull between advocating for gun control vs. advocating for broad suspicion of people with mental health concerns, the results are not benign.

We have to bring discussion of depression and other psychological distress into the light, and we must push back against the stigma that keeps many from getting life-saving help.

— MARY KIMM

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Courage to Vote

To the Editor:

This past month I worked with local students in the community and my boy scout troop to hold two non-partisan voter registration drives as a part of my Eagle Scout project. We held this drive at the Vienna Farmer's Market.

In many ways this registration drive was a success. We were able to talk to over 2,000 Vienna voters, and remind them about the Virginia photo identification law that requires all voters to bring a form of government issued identification. We were able to help 80 people apply for absentee ballots and registered 20 people to vote.

I wanted to share the impact that I hope this drive had on our community as well as what I learned.

Something I am very proud of is the fact that the drive was run completely by local youth volunteers. Everyone who registered new voters was a student. In fact a majority of these students could not even vote themselves!

A student run drive was important to me for many reasons. I hope that my fellow classmates and fellow boy scouts who participated in this drive came to the same conclusion as I did: the power of a vote is a right we should hold dear. I hope they saw voting as a civic responsibility that enables Americans to participate in the democracy our forefathers fought for and defended. Participating in that democracy should be a priority when we turn 18.

I also hope this outpour of young people inspired our community.

We met many residents this past month who told us that they were in a dilemma. One older

gentleman said that not only did he not want a registration form but he wasn't planning on voting because he couldn't bear to make the choice between "a crook and a narcissist".

I hope this student run force reminded voters like this gentleman and many others in our community who may be facing a similar dilemma that they are not choosing between two candidates - they are choosing a future. A future for me and a future for all of us at the drive who are not able to cast a ballot.

Really that is what all elections are about: choosing the candidate who will build a better America for the next generation to build on.

I understand that this is a very divisive election. It is hard to ignore the fact that the two major candidates have the highest unfavorability ratings in history. But still I urge you: don't squander your choice by choosing to sit on the sidelines. Find the courage to cast a ballot this year because this election, quite frankly, is bigger than just you.

I won't be able to vote this year and neither will thousands of other Vienna citizens who are under 18 but we are all counting on you to make that choice on our behalf on Nov. 8.

In 1920 women got the right to vote. In 1965 the Civil Rights Act prohibited racial discrimination in voting. In 1975 the right to vote for young people who were 18 and older was protected by the passage of the 26th amendment. Our history has been shaped and defined by people who have demanded a fair ballot.

Why then would anyone choose to forgo a right that others have worked so hard to defend simply because they don't have the guts to make a decision?

A lot has changed from that first election in

1789, but what I hope remains is the promise solidified by the words "We" in that first line of the constitution - the idea that a democracy means that all people are heard.

**Raman Khanna**

Vienna

*The writer is 17-year-old rising senior at George C. Marshall High School.*

## Does He Bite?

To the Editor:

Well, they're finally over! Suffering through the breathless NBC "coverage" of Olympic "sports," many of which few of us have ever heard of, involving Zika-virus and Rio-mugging avoidance tips, inane commentary, and tedious "up-close and personals" punctuated by the occasional showing of an actual event and immediate post-race interviews with "heroes" gasping for breath, I wondered about the origins of the ridiculous habit of winning athletes appearing to take a bite out of their medal before the cameras. Testing for 24-karat purity, perhaps? Teeth marks could potentially reduce the full tax deductibility of the value of an Olympic medal proposed by Senator "Chuck" Schumer — friend of underpaid athletes everywhere.

Gnawing away at trophies — where did this all begin? This metal-chomping is now almost as de rigueur as patented in-game hugging and slapping and weeping at the drop of a beach volleyball, say.

**Harry Locock**, sports fan  
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the class of 25 is filled. The Academy will begin Sept. 22, and will meet for nine consecutive Thursdays, from 6 to 9 p.m. at various locations in and outside the department. Each session will cover different aspects of the organization, providing an in-depth overview of the department and its uniformed and civilian workforce. Program topics include: fire suppression, emergency medical services, training, recruitment, special operations, and other interesting topics. To sign up for the free program, you must be 18 years of age and apply online at [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fr/cfa](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fr/cfa).

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## CONNECTION FAMILIES: BACK TO SCHOOL



Lieutenant Ricardo Evans, Captain Sean Whitmore, Lieutenant CJ Oakley with Darian, LeBron and Amen who were helped by Target employee Asneka Wollela of Burke.



Sheriff Kincaid, MDS Gwen Bell and Jahmaiyah shopping at Burke Target.

PHOTO BY ANDREA CEISLER

# Shopping With the Sheriff Children shop with the Sheriff in preparation for return to school.

BY ALEXANDRA TECCO  
THE CONNECTION

**T**he Fairfax County Sheriff's Department teamed up with 39 children during the Shop with the Sheriff event on Thursday, Aug. 25. The school-aged children are cur-

rently residing in emergency shelters around the county which makes the culmination of the event, back-to-school clothes shopping at the Target in Burke, specially helpful for the children and their families.

The kids got to know the members of the Sheriff's Department over arts, crafts and a pizza lunch. When the bus arrived at Tar-

get, led by the blue and red lights of their motorcycle escort, the children had obviously made fast friends with their personal mentor for the day. Consequently, Target's boys and girls clothing sections were filled with the smiles of the children followed by the brown uniforms of the staff of the Fairfax County Sheriff's Department.

"This event combines the Sheriff Department and public safety along with young people who are experiencing a difficult time in their lives," said Sharon Bulova, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman.

The story behind why each child and their families are residing at the emergency shel-

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**Private First Class Marcus Medina, Kayla Tarrant from the Patrick Henry Family Shelter, and event volunteer Lacey Herbert with Nicole, 6, showing off her new favorite dress that they helped her find.**

PHOTOS BY  
ALEXANDRA TECCO  
THE CONNECTION





# CONNECTION FAMILIES: BACK TO SCHOOL



Shop with the Sheriff participants including Sheriff Stacey Kincaid, Del. Eileen Filler-Corn (D-41), Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova, Supervisor John Cook (R-Braddock District), and staff of the Fairfax County Emergency Shelter Program.

## Back-to-School Shopping

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ters are unique. As such there is no one-size-fits-all list of items to purchase. Instead, through coordination with the children, families, shelters and the shopping experience itself, the \$250 is tailored to meet both the needs and unique tastes and styles of each child. The funds for the event were raised by the Sheriff's Office, community and business partners as well as individual donations.

The children's tastes varied. Some were drawn to favorite colors, glittered belts, superhero shirts or a particular style of jeans. For Nicole, 6, her favorite item was an orange dress she found with help from Private First Class Marcus Medina. "I love being able to be out in the community," explains Medina. Working in civil enforcement means Medina sees a lot of evictions.

"The hardest part of doing the job is seeing how the kids don't have a choice," Medina explains. The

opportunity to participate in the event for his first time last year, made it an event he looked forward to joining again this year.

Lily, 8, was very thankful for the "shoes and clothes for school and happy to have someone nice," she said, looking at Sergeant Emily Fary. This is Fary's fourth year participating in the event. It had come up in conversation earlier in the day that the thing Lily missed most was her gel pens, explained Fary, so in addition to the necessities they made sure to pick up new pens.

This is Shop with the Sheriff's 24<sup>th</sup> year. Sheriff Stacey Kincaid is glad to point out that they have been able to help more children as well as provide them more funds every year. But it also "plays an important role to build bridges between law enforcement and youth," she explains. It presents an opportunity for children to interact on a personal level with the members of the Sheriff's Department.



Deputy Cole with Sylkya and her favorite piece of new clothing that Cole and Target Employee Adrienne Baldree (not pictured) helped to pick out.



Sargent Emily Fary and Lily, 8, posing with the My Little Pony coat and the gel pens to replace the ones she missed having.

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**Better Said Than Done performer David Supley Foxworth.**



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**Better Said Than Done performer Jack Scheer.**

## Captivating Story-telling with Audience Direction

### Better Said Than Done presents 'You Choose the Adventure' in Fairfax.

BY DAVID SIEGEL  
THE CONNECTION

**D**rawing upon their own real life adventures, snags and snares, storytellers from Northern Virginia's Better Said Than Done enthralled an audience at a recent Saturday evening at Fairfax's Auld Shebeen. With adroit storytelling based upon unexpected real events, seven skilled storytellers enchanted patrons with theatrical accounts full of charm and wonder. The evening was called "You Choose the Adventure."

ture."

The "You Choose the Adventure" stories were not fictional. The chronicles were about true events as seven storytellers spoke about distinct challenges that affected them dearly. Each turned a lived event into a rewarding, often riveting 12 minute vignette. There was plenty of self-deprecating humor to go along with narratives told with dramatic flair and often meant for mature audiences.

For "You Choose the Adventure" there was also very key audience participation; "the chance to direct the show a bit," said Jessica Piscitelli Robinson (Fairfax), Better Said Than Done founder.

As a particular individual performance took place, each of the storytellers was stopped at two points. With guidance from the skilled master of ceremonies Derek Hills, the audience voted on two options for each story's next path. Each option was based

on what really happened one at some point in time. Without missing a beat, each story teller successfully met the challenge.

Stories included Anne Thomas gripping tale of her adventure in Rwanda getting up close and personal with a Silverback Gorilla. Thomas fascinated the audience as she spoke of being in a wheelchair at the time while in the jungle seeing the gorilla. Married couple Mary Supley Foxworth and David Supley Foxworth (Reston) charmed with their adventures together in Iceland; when time together could get a little too discussing what to do next.

Stephanie Garibaldi bewitched with her tale of becoming a "Goddess of Fertility" during a stay in Central America while Jessica Piscitelli Robinson provided a poignant tale of her unplanned long car trip to Glacier National Park in Montana while newly pregnant and with a way wrong tour guide.

Then there was Jack Scheer who vividly

### Where and When

Better Said Than Done's "You Choose the Adventure" performed at The Auld Shebeen (downstairs), 3971 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, on Saturday evening, Aug. 27, 2016.

Next show for Better Said Than Done is "Wild Life: stories about living or being wild" to be performed at the Reston Nature House, Walker Nature Center, 11450 Glade Drive, Reston. Performance on Sept. 17 at 8 p.m. Tickets: \$15. Information at: [www.betersaidthandone.com](http://www.betersaidthandone.com) or call 571-334-8652. **Note:** Proceeds benefit Friends of Reston for Community Projects.

recalled his sadly eventful days as a college dorm resident assistant who made some costly mistakes. Finally came Len Kruger who spoke with authenticity about life in a late 1960s "socialist" summer camp learning about distinctive economic systems when he was 10 years old.

The evening with Better Said Than Done storytellers brought lively and unique takes on true-life.

## 'ReelAbilities' Film Festival Arriving Extraordinary stories of people differently abled.

BY DAVID SIEGEL  
THE CONNECTION

**A** unique film festival dedicated to representing the lives, stories, and artistic expressions of people with disabilities is opening soon in Northern Virginia. It is the annual "ReelAbilities." National in scope, the Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia (JCCNV) is partnering with local Northern Virginia organizations to produce the week-long event.

The JCCNV is committed "to providing opportunities and resources to the Special Needs community," said Anton Merbaum, JCCNV arts engagement coordinator. The selected films will "challenge preconceived notions and build connection, providing audiences with a heightened sensitivity, understanding, and empathy."



**'ReelAbilities' Film Festival opening night film: "Margarita."**

This year's "ReelAbilities" will reach more patrons than ever before with films screened at numerous locations throughout the region. Venues such as the Mosaic District's Angelika Film Center, Reston Community Center, Alexandria's Torpedo Factory, the Phillips School in Annandale and Fairfax's George Mason University are just some of the venues that will screen films for this one-of-a-kind creative arts festival.

"ReelAbilities" receives support

from a number of organizations that work to provide opportunities for and services to people with different abilities and their families. Some of the sponsors include Chimes, Joey Pizzanno Memorial Foundation and The Washington Group. Partnering organizations include Best Buddies Capital Region, Special Olympics Virginia, Arc of Northern Virginia, and the



**Anton Merbaum, arts engagement coordinator, Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia.**

GI Film Festival to name a few.

Film festivals are important; "providing a window into the lives and realities of different groups, cultures, and nationalities," said Merbaum.

According to Carey Alford, Practice and Operations Manager, Washington Group Special Care Planning Team, "Everyone benefits from more understanding, awareness and acceptance. Whether special needs affects your immediate family, or not, it is important for everyone to embrace and receive all individuals."

The 'ReelAbilities' film festival also fosters "awareness in a very creative and fun way, in turn this helps to make society and communities become more inclusive," added Alford.

"It's important for the community at large to have access to 'ReelAbilities' because it is common for those who don't spend time with people with disabilities

### Where and When

"ReelAbilities" Film Festival presented by Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia (JCCNV) with local partners and sponsors dedicated to representing the lives, stories, and artistic expressions of people with different abilities. Festival runs Sept. 18-24. Detailed information for films, venues, dates and times as well as tickets at <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/profile/190347> or call 703-537-3000

to assume that they are somehow 'less-than,' when in fact they have as much to offer as their typical peers," said Karen Glasser, Regional Director, Best Buddies Capital Region, "We would like audiences who attend 'ReelAbilities' to come away with the knowledge that everyone deserves respect and everyone can contribute something valuable to the community," added Glasser.



# ENTERTAINMENT

Send notes to the Connection at [connectionnewspapers.com/Calendar/](http://connectionnewspapers.com/Calendar/) or call 703-778-9416. The deadline is the Friday prior to the next paper's publication at noon. Dated announcements should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event.

## ONGOING

**Batting Cage Occoquan Regional Park** 9751 Ox Road Lorton, VA 22079. Open through Oct. 30 Occoquan offers a baseball/softball batting cage, for hitters of all levels. Pitching machines offer other pitches like curveballs. Cost: 14 balls \$1.50 Team Rentals Per Cage: 30 min. \$18 60 min. \$34 <https://www.novaparks.com/parks/occoquan-regional-park/things-to-do/batting-cage>

**Kayak Rental Occoquan Regional Park** 9 - 6 p.m. daily through Sept. 30 This park offers hourly and daily kayak rentals for those interested in exploring the river. Kayaks are launched from shore and are available in one or two seat configurations.

**Farmers Market & Food Trucks:** 3-7 p.m. Thursdays through Oct. 27 at the Fairfax County Government Center front parking lot.

**Rock the Block!** 6:30 p.m. Every fourth Friday through Oct. 28. Old Town Square, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. Concert series. Food is available for sale. Bring chairs and or blankets to sit on. Kids - wear swim suits and bring towels. Enjoy the new spray pad. No Pets allowed except service animals. [fairfaxva.gov](http://fairfaxva.gov).

**The Farmer's Market at Springfield Town Center.** May 7-Nov. 19, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Through November. Corner of Spring Mall and Loisdale roads, Springfield. Enjoy fresh baked goods, produce, vegetables & fruits, meats & cheeses, and a host of other vendors. [springfieldtowncenter.com](http://springfieldtowncenter.com).

**Fairfax Rotary Club Meeting.** 12:15-1:30 p.m. Mondays. American Legion, 3939 Oak St., Fairfax. Meetings with luncheon and program. [fairfaxrotary.org](http://fairfaxrotary.org).

**Plant Clinic.** 9 a.m.-noon. Sundays till end of September. Lorton Farmers Market, 8990 Lorton Station Blvd., Lorton. Conducted by Master Gardeners. Answer gardening question, identify plants and insects, soil tests, etc. [fairfaxgardening.org](http://fairfaxgardening.org).

**Carolina Shag.** Wednesdays. 6:30-10 p.m. Arlington/Fairfax Elks Lodge, 8421 Arlington Blvd., Fairfax. Free lessons at 7:30 p.m. No partners needed. Dinner menu. \$8. Under 21 free. [nvshag.org](http://nvshag.org).

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in Angelika Film Center. Weekly on Tuesday. <http://www.fxva.com/listing/mosaic-district/2326/>

## SATURDAY/SEPT. 3

**Forgotten Fairfax Presents: A History of the Washington & Old Dominion Railroad.** 11 a.m. in Conference Rooms A&B of the City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North Street, Fairfax, Va. Join Washington & Old Dominion (WO&D) Trail historian and former Trail manager Paul McCray on an amble through our local history. Free, registration required. Visit [fairfaxcounty.gov/library](http://fairfaxcounty.gov/library) or call (703) 293-6227 x6.

**Burke United Methodist Church Book Sale.** 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. at 6200 Burke Centre Parkway, Burke, Va. 22015. Join us for a used book sale with books for all ages. A Kid's Crafts & Story Corner will be available from 10:00 a.m. - 12 p.m.. 6 local authors will also be joining us to sign their books. All proceeds from the book sale benefit education needs in Cambodia. Free entrance. Email [bumc@burkeumc.org](mailto:bumc@burkeumc.org), call 703-250-6100 or visit <http://www.burkeumc.org>.

## SUNDAY/SEPT. 4

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**Blessing of Backpacks.** 9 a.m. - 10:30 p.m. Burke United Methodist Church 6200 Burke Centre Parkway Burke, VA 22015. All students, teachers, and school staff are invited to join us for a blessing of the backpacks and prayer for the upcoming school year. Cost: Free. [katiwebster@burkeumc.org](mailto:katiwebster@burkeumc.org) or 703-250-6100

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Cars such as these will be on display in Fairfax on Labor Day.



Two young men marvel at this 1929 Ford in a past show.

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# Popular Car Show Comes to Fairfax Will be held on Labor Day on University Drive.

BY BONNIE HOBBS  
THE CONNECTION

**L**abor Day in the City of Fairfax will be anything but ordinary. That's because, for the first time ever, the hugely popular Clifton Lions Club Labor Day Car Show has moved to the City.

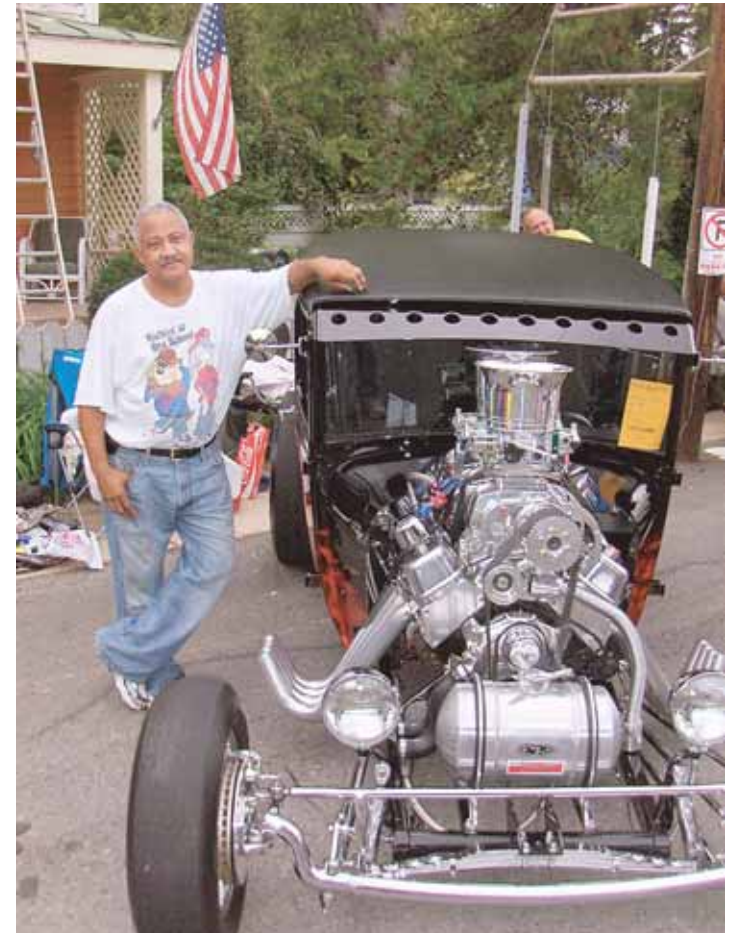
It'll be held Monday, Sept. 5, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., on University Drive between Armstrong Street and Sager Avenue, and in the SunTrust Bank parking lot at 4020 University Drive. University Drive in that area will be closed to traffic that day from 6 a.m.-4 p.m.

The show attracts thousands each year and includes music, food and awards. And besides being lots of fun, the car show will also help two worthy causes. While entry and parking are free, donations will be accepted – and all proceeds will benefit the Northern Virginia Therapeutic Riding Program and Inova Hospital System's Life with Cancer.

"It's our 17<sup>th</sup> annual show and we hope to raise \$20,000," said event organizer Jim Chesley, of the Clifton Lions Club. "If the weather's good, I'm expecting 450 cars. We outgrew the Town of Clifton and needed more space, and we have room for over 100 more cars in Fairfax than we did there."



Some of the types of cars that will be shown in Fairfax.



This antique car's owner proudly stands by his vehicle.

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The Clifton Lions Club puts on the show, and some 70-80 volunteers work hard to make it a success. That day, they'll also have a van on site to check people's sight and hearing for free.

Show attendees working up an appetite will find some tasty choices for sale. Lions Club members will be serving grilled hot dogs, hamburgers and barbecue, and the Hard Times Café will host an outside beer

garden. In addition, Sophie's Pies will offer pies out of a 1920s Model A Ford truck. And a deejay will provide music.

Pleased to bring the car show to Fairfax, Chesley said, "It's a big opportunity to grow the show, both in participants and spectators, and that allows us to help the charities more. One hundred percent of everything we make goes to them. And these charities aren't just local, but they're free to the people who use their services."

He said the Lions have been in discussions with the City for about two months to determine logistics, advertising and who's doing what. "I've been working with [Cultural Arts and Marketing Director] Jo Ormesher and [City Councilman] Jeff

Greenfield, and they've both been a big help," said Chesley. "They're doing a tremendous job and are a pleasure to work with."

**A TOTAL** of 24 trophies will be awarded, and judging will be done in front of the Fire Station 3 on University Drive. The participants will vote on the top 20 cars in the show, including the Best of Show. The Lions Club Trophy will be chosen together by the Clifton Lions Club and the Fairfax Host Lions Club. The City of Fairfax will also pick a trophy winner, and there'll be a Lady's Choice Trophy, too.

Chesley said the change in venue is a new challenge, but one he welcomes. "The show

will still be held on the same date as always, just in a different location," he said. "And no one else has a car show that day within 125 miles of where we are. It's a free show; all we ask in return is that people help us out with donations to the charities. Anything they want to give is fine; we'll have donation jars around the event, plus brochures with information about these charities." Hoping for a great turnout, Chesley said, "People like seeing an assortment of vehicles, not just antiques, and we'll have something for everybody. They'll also have a great time seeing cars they want to have, should have had, could have had, wished they had and still dream about. And some cars will even be for sale."



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**Jonathan Whittington, Kathryn Herring, Emma Zettlemoyer**, of Springfield; **Bridget Ray** and **Kirsten Chase**, of Burke; received \$2,000 scholarships from the Scholarship for Military Children Program in July 2016.

**Jane Gibbins-Harding**, of Springfield, was named to the dean's list at Bethany College for spring 2016.

**U.S. Air Force Airman Brian A. Zamfino** graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas. Zamfino is the son of Joanne and Joseph Zamfino of Springfield. He is a 2015 graduate of West Springfield High School.

**Thomas Miskimins**, of Fairfax, graduated with a master of arts, in Spring 2016 from the University of New Haven.

**Jordan Ecker**, of Fairfax, is on the spring 2016 dean's list at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities.

**Caroline Dickson**, of Fairfax, is on the spring 2016 dean's list at the University of Maine-Orono.

**Allison Righter Moore**, and **Sarah Ann Hughes Cushing-Spiller**, of Springfield, is on the dean's list at Hollins University, for the 2016 spring semester.

**James Butler**, a Lake Braddock Secondary School graduate, was inducted into the Naval Academy Class of 2020 on June 30, 2016.

**Kyle Austin Walsh**, of Fairfax, and **Abigail Lynn Lackey**, of Springfield, were named to the honors list for the 2016 spring 2016 semester at Averett University in Danville.

**Katherine Marie Hough**, of Fairfax Station, is on the dean's list at George Mason University for spring 2016.

**Anna Kormis**, of Springfield, graduated from Emory and Henry College in spring 2016.

**Kyle Austin Walsh**, of Fairfax, graduated from Averett University in June 2016. was among the 261 students to receive diplomas during Averett University's May 7 Commencement.

**Megan R. Seymour, Megan F. Cummins, Thomas S. Cohen**, of Fairfax, **Joshua D. Harlowe, Samantha E. Kinde, Melissa A. Schwartz**, of Springfield; **Sean C. Baird**, of Fairfax Station; graduated from Boston University in spring 2016.

**Helene J. Decosse, Alexis J. Fahrney, Jessica M. Ochoa**, of Fairfax, are on the dean's list at Boston University for spring 2016.

**Seth Lehman, Thet San**, of Fairfax, graduated from Furman University in spring 2016.

**Luke Hartman, Natalie Heinitz**, of Springfield, graduated from Manhattan College in spring 2016.

**Maria Larrazabal Carrillo**, of Fairfax is on the dean's list for May 2016 at Iowa State.

**Kayse McGough** of Fairfax is on the dean's list for May 2016 at St. Mary's College.

**Jared Rondeau** of Clifton, graduated May 2016 Triple Major in Physics, Mathematics, and Chemistry from Emory and Henry College.

**Moriah Dreisbach**, of Fairfax, is on Union University's president's list for spring 2016.

**Irene Martinko**, of Springfield, is on the spring 2016 dean's list at Muhlenberg College in Allentown, Pennsylvania.

**James F. Agnew, Kyle T. Deivert and Nathaniel Oliver**, of Fairfax, are on the dean's list at Hampden-Sydney College.

**Cameron Kisailus**, of Franconia, graduated from Gonzaga College High School. He will be attending the University of Pittsburgh.

**Michael Gerlach's**, of Fairfax Station, is on the dean's list at James Madison University for spring 2016.

**Kara Anne Crennan**, an alumna of West Springfield High School Class of 2011, graduated from the United States Air Force Academy in June 2016.

**Liana Ruiz** was awarded the Virginia Credit Union Scholarship of \$2,500. She will graduate from Robinson High School in June 2016 and will attend Virginia Tech in the fall.

**Ketty Klimchuk**, of Fairfax, is on the spring 2016 dean's list at Johnson State College in Vermont.

**Abdullah Al Nouman**, of Fairfax, graduated with a master of science, biomedical sciences from Iowa State University in spring 2016.

**Robel Teffera**, of Fairfax, graduated in spring 2016 with a bachelor of science in international business from Quinnipiac University.

May 2016 Oregon State University graduates from Burke include, **Kimberly L. Ogren**, doctor of philosophy, geography; **Jacob M. Sage**, bachelor of science, cum laude, construction engineering management.

**Jennifer S. Richards**, of Lorton, graduated with a bachelor of science, earth sciences from Oregon State University in May 2016.

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