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Bowling, Video Games and a 5-lb. Hamburger

Centreville's Bowlero offers "something for everybody."

BY BONNIE HOBBS

Centreville has had a bowling alley for years, but nothing like the trendy, flashy, upscale one that just celebrated its grand opening. Called Bowlero Centreville, it's still in the same place as always, 13814 Lee Hwy., but it's been completely renovated, revamped and refreshed.

The bells and whistles include 32 lanes of blacklight bowling with colorful wall graphics, an interactive arcade with an array of video games plus table-game classics such as ping pong, billiards, corn-hole toss and shuffleboard. The new sports bar serves everything from soda to specialty cocktails, and the "Go Crazy" food menu features Instagram-worthy creations like a huge, 5-pound, 14-inch hamburger to share with friends and family.

The parent company, Bowlmor AMF, transformed the former AMF Centreville Lanes into another of its brands, Bowlero. There are some 300 bowling alleys in the Bowlmor family, with 26 Bowleros nationwide – this one is the first in Virginia.

"We thought it was the right fit in this location because of the great, family demographics here," said Leanne Trent, Bowlero's Washington, D.C.-area manager. "We've slowly been renovating this site over the past two years and we're able to offer elevated drink and menu options. We always bowl under black light, and it's a more fun, family atmosphere, as well as a place where you can hold corporate events. It's appropriate for all ages."

THE GRAND OPENING was Saturday, April 1 and, by 1 p.m., 350 people had



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Leslie Noble holds a platter of mango chicken chipotle wraps.

come. Many came to see Washington Redskins' veteran safety DeAngelo Hall, the event's celebrity host, and snag an autograph and photo with him. But others were enjoying themselves bowling, eating and playing the video and arcade games.

Friends invited Franklin Farm's Zack Weinstein to go with them, and he was glad they did. "I've been here before," he said. "But now, it's completely redecorated with new lights, screens, music and a deejay; it seems like a club. The staff is very friendly, it's a lot cleaner and nicer-looking than the old place and the prices are reasonable, so I'd recommend it to others."

Adela Brown's nephew wanted to check out the remodeled bowling alley, so they went there with a whole group. "It looks like they've made quite a bit of changes," she said, reaching for her soda at the bar. "It's busy and is going to be good for children, youth and adults."

Howard Marans, wife Stacy and daughter Alexis, 2-1/2, of Centreville's Deerfield Ridge community, came for both the bowling and the football player. "We're big sports people, so we figured, 'Why not?'" said Stacy. "And it's Alexis's first time bowling, so we thought we'd try it out. We went to the old bowling alley a couple times."

"It seems more family-friendly now," she continued. "I'd recommend it to friends because the atmosphere is fun. And with the music and lights, it keeps everyone entertained."

"I enjoy bowling, and it's a great place for a group activity," added her husband.

They also liked the snacks. "We got the ginormous pretzel, which could easily feed four people," said Howard. "It comes with two dips and is really good."

Besides the Party Pretzel, Bowlero is also proud of its signature Behemoth Burger – named one of America's top burgers by USA Today. And for dessert, there's Bowlero's S'Mores Skillet made with graham crackers, melted milk chocolate, oversized marshmallows, and a drizzle of caramel.



Centreville's Jared Pannell and son Hayden play a game of Pac-Man.

Details

Bowlero has private event rooms for children's birthday parties or special events, plus personnel to help plan one-of-a-kind occasions. For hours of operation, lane availability, reservations or to plan a party or corporate event, call 703-830-3700. Further information is at www.bowlero.com.

Meanwhile, the sports bar offers large, flat-screen TVs and specialty drinks including the Mad Mai Tai, Old-School Moscow Mule and the Dunk Tank – a fishbowl cocktail to share with friends.

Playing Pac-Man with son Hayden Zolas, 7-1/2, while daughter Jada, 12, played another game nearby, was Jared Pannell of Centreville's Bent Tree Apartments. "I love bowling, video games and food, and this place is awesome," said Pannell. "It's one of the cleanest bowling alleys I've been to, and the video-game area is bright and the games aren't broken."

Besides that, he said, "DeAngelo Hall's in the house – hello! We bowled, too, and it was mellow. You can focus more on the lane where you're bowling because the lanes'

backdrops are lit and each lane has a different color. I'd absolutely recommend it because the food's great, it's close to home, the staff is really friendly and professional and it's a fun atmosphere."

Hall brought his six children, ages 5-15, with him. "They all like bowling and video games, and they're having a good, ol' time," he said. "This place is amazing. In most bowling alleys, you've got to eat before going because the food is so bad. But this one has a five-star restaurant; you don't see these menu items at bowling alleys." Pointing at the monster hamburger, he said, "This needs to be on a food challenge; I bet nobody could eat it by themselves."

He just bought a house in Leesburg and attends Grace Covenant Church in nearby Chantilly, so Hall said he'll return to Bowlero. "We'll definitely do some team events down here, myself and the [Redskins] captain and the DBs [defensive backs]," he said. "It's a great environment and great food in a great area." And between the arcade games and the bowling, he added, "There's something here for everybody to do."



(From left) Bowlero Vice-President of Food & Beverages Steve Bartek and Washington Redskin DeAngelo Hall hold the 5-pound Behemoth Burger.



Howard Marans of Deerfield Ridge poses for a photo before bowling.



Some of the crowd at the Crime Victims event at Fairfax Corner.



Former Police Chief Dave Rohrer



Fairfax County Police Chief Ed Roessler

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‘From Our Pain May We Heal’

County honors National Crime Victims’ Rights Week.

BY BONNIE HOBBS

No one expects to become a crime victim. But when it happens in Fairfax County, there’s a whole network of people and services ready to help both victims and their families overcome the trauma and cope with the aftermath.

And on Sunday, April 2, at Fairfax Corner, the county Police Department’s Victim Services Section marked National Crime Victims’ Rights Week – April 2-8 – with the 5th Annual 5K Walk and Crime Victims Tribute. Victims, survivors, family members, friends and the community participated to raise awareness of victims’ rights in Northern Virginia and show support for all crime victims.

Many victims, survivors and their advocates even wore superhero capes as a sign of solidarity with all victims of crime. Large photos of some local victims were displayed in front of the stage, and the event began with a moment of silence for them. Then came several speeches before the candle-light walk.

As the county’s former police chief, Dave Rohrer said he’s worked with some “truly wonderful” people. “We’re here today to honor and remember the victims and survivors of serious, violent crimes,” he said. “But the dispatchers, police officers and detectives, firefighters, paramedics and advocates in Victims’ Services and the court system, we honor you, too, for your caring, passion and commitment to serving.”

Noting the event’s theme of “Strength, Resilience and Justice,” Rohrer said, “Most of us came here to make a difference, and

we will never forget the strength and resilience that you have and have taught us. Justice refers to the legal rights victims have.”

Furthermore, he said, “Safety is not just a legal right, but also a basic human right – to be free and safe in our persons, regardless of who we are, where we come from, what we look like or our status.” Then, acknowledging all those “who’ve done so much to serve and support,” he added, “We live and work in an extremely caring and empathetic community.”

Current Police Chief Ed Roessler said Fairfax County is the safest jurisdiction of its size in the U.S. To the victims, he said, “You give us the strength and resilience to pursue justice and you’re not alone. We’ll

help heal not just yourself, but our community, and we extend our blessings upon you.”

Assistant Commonwealth’s Attorney Jessica Greis-Edwardson said it’s humbling to work with the victims and survivors of violence. “It makes me want to be a better prosecutor,” she said. “Their stories are astounding and take your breath away. And it’s a pleasure to be a part of helping you as you move forward.”

THE GUEST SPEAKER was Joe Samaha, whose daughter Reema – a Westfield High grad – was one of the 32 people killed in the April 16, 2007 mass shooting at Virginia Tech. She was a freshman, just 18, when a gunman ended her life.

Her parents established scholarships in

her name, and her father became an advocate for the VTV Family Outreach Foundation, promoting increased school and college-campus safety and trying to prevent tragedies caused by gun violence. Its Campaign 32 worked to have all states participate in the National Instant Criminal Background Check System, and another Campaign 32 (www.campaign32.org) is beginning, continuing the advocacy for campus safety and security.

When the Virginia Tech tragedy occurred, said Samaha, “There were no alert systems then for students there, or push bars on the doors to prevent their chaining [by the assailant]. Now there are more-immediate lockdowns and active-shooter drills, plus legislation helping those in need of mental-health treatment for suicidal thoughts.”

“In my opinion, there were 33 victims, because I believe the shooter could have been helped [before he killed people],” continued Samaha. “On Dec. 13, 2006, he’d signed up for a [counseling] appointment, but didn’t show up. He was screaming out loud for help, silently, but was not given help.”

Samaha then had the crowd hold hands while he read “Reema’s Inspiration,” which he wrote: “From our pain, may we heal; from our fear, we seek comfort. From our grief, we are blessed; from our solitude, we seek serenity. From conflict, we find harmony; from our anger, we seek peace.”

Then, to those working in Victims’ Services and public safety, he offered a prayer from St. Francis of Assisi: “Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

“Oh, Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console,



Joseph Samaha, whose daughter was killed at Virginia Tech, speaks from the heart.

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OPINION

Your Award Winning Papers

Richmond Times-Dispatch (daily) and the Mount Vernon Gazette/Local Media Connection (non-daily), win the VPA's highest awards.

Virginia Press Association's highest award, the VPA Award for Journalistic Integrity and Community Service, went to Local Media Connection/Mount Vernon Gazette for coverage and editorials throughout 2016 relating to police reform in Fairfax County.

The Richmond Times-Dispatch won in the daily category for its series about the death of a mentally ill prisoner, Jamycheal Mitchell, in a Portsmouth Jail.

The judges noted, "The Mount Vernon Gazette covered the complex issue of police reform from February through December 2016, sparked by the shooting of an unarmed man by a Fairfax County police officer. ... The Gazette focused community attention on the case, particularly on the efforts of citizens and representatives of law enforcement agencies working together on reforming police practice. This led to the creation and implementation of a Civilian Review Panel to provide oversight of police policy, procedures and activities. ... The approach of the Gazette in this matter provides a good illustration of the positive role a community newspaper can play when it takes an activist approach to issues of importance to its readers." Editor Mary Kimm and reporter Tim Peterson accepted the award.

Virginia Press Association honored its 2016 award winners on Saturday, April 8, 2017 in Richmond at its annual dinner. The Connection papers, including the Alexandria Gazette Packet, garnered more than 35 awards in many categories, including investigative reporting, education coverage, headline writing, photography, column writing, sports writing, obitu-



PHOTO BY ROBIN MOGLE

Local Media Connection writers and photographers won 37 Virginia Press Association awards for work in 2016, including the Virginia Press Association Award for Journalistic Integrity and Community Service. Pictured here from left, John Bordner, Mark Mogle, Mary Kimm, Shirley Ruhe, Tim Peterson, Vernon Miles, Eden Brown, Andrea Worker and Jeanne Theismann.

aries, environmental writing, food writing, graphics, and more.

Shirley Ruhe was the top award winner, earning seven different awards including two first place awards, one for investigative reporter for her series on sex trafficking.

Other first place award winners include photographer Mark Mogle, who also won two first places; Bonnie Hobbs for General News for her coverage of the rise and fall of the mayor of the City of Fairfax; Eden Brown for Education writing; Tim Peterson for Public Safety writ-

ing and for Sports writing; Joan Brady for Feature Series on foster care alumni success stories; Jeanne Theismann for headline writing; Alexandra Greeley for food writing. Steven Mauren, editor-in-chief, won first place for Editorial Pages in Alexandria Gazette Packet, along with Mary Kimm, cartoonist Steve Artley, and designers Geovani Flores and Laurence Foong.

— MARY KIMM

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Mary Kimm and Tim Peterson accepted the Virginia Press Association Award for Journalistic Integrity and Community Service.

Cartoon, Alexandria Gazette Packet

- ❖ **Vernon Miles**, 3rd Place, Feature Writing Portfolio, Alexandria Gazette Packet
- ❖ **Jon Roetman**, 3rd Place, Sports Writing Portfolio, McLean Connection
- ❖ **Jean Card**, Laurence Foong, Renee Ruggles, 3rd Place, Informational Graphics, Guide to the Parks, Mount Vernon Gazette
- ❖ **Tim Peterson**, 3rd Place, General News Writing, Mount Vernon Gazette
- ❖ **Laurence Foong**, 3rd Place, Informational Graphics, Real Estate Map, Great Falls
- ❖ **Mary Kimm**, 3rd Place, Editorial Writing, Great Falls Connection
- ❖ **Ken Moore**, 3rd Place, Education Writing, Great Falls Connection
- ❖ **Ken Moore**, 3rd Place, Feature Writing Portfolio, Oak Hill/Herndon Connection

2016 Virginia Award Winners

- ❖ Virginia Press Association Award for Journalistic Integrity and Community Service, the association's highest award, went to **Local Media Connection/Mount Vernon Gazette** for coverage and editorials relating to police reform in Fairfax County.
- ❖ **Shirley Ruhe**, 1st Place, In-Depth or Investigative Reporting, Arlington, Investigative Series-Sex Trafficking
- ❖ **Mark Mogle**, 1st Place, General News Photo, Wreaths Across America, Arlington Connection
- ❖ **Eden Brown**, 1st Place, Education Writing, Arlington Connection
- ❖ **Shirley Ruhe**, 1st Place, Column Writing, People at Work, Alexandria Gazette Packet
- ❖ **Jeanne Theismann**, 1st Place, Headline Writing, Alexandria Gazette Packet
- ❖ **Steven Mauren, Mary Kimm, Steve Artley, Geovani Flores and Laurence Foong**, 1st Place, Editorial Pages, Alexandria Gazette Packet
- ❖ **Mark Mogle**, 1st Place, Picture Story or Essay, "Plaid Tidings," Alexandria Gazette Packet
- ❖ **Tim Peterson**, 1st Place, Public Safety Writing, Burke Connection
- ❖ **Bonnie Hobbs**, 1st Place, General News Writing, Fairfax Mayor Caught in Sex-for-Meth Sting, Fairfax Connection
- ❖ **Joan Brady**, 1st Place, Feature Series or Continuing Story, Great Falls Connection
- ❖ **Alexandra Greeley**, 1st Place, Personal Service Writing, Food Features, Great Falls Connection
- ❖ **Tim Peterson**, 1st Place, Sports Writing Portfolio, Springfield Connection
- ❖ **John Bordner**, 2nd Place, General News Photo,

Kluge Farewell, Alexandria Gazette Packet

- ❖ **Shirley Ruhe**, 2nd Place, Feature Series, Homelessness, Arlington Connection
- ❖ **Kemal Kurspahic and Staff**, 2nd Place, General Makeup, Fairfax Connection
- ❖ **Marilyn Campbell**, 2nd Place, Personal Service Writing, Oak Hill/Herndon Connection
- ❖ **Jon Roetman**, 2nd Place, Sports Writing Portfolio, Oak Hill/Herndon Connection
- ❖ **Shirley Ruhe**, 2nd Place, Column Writing, In the Kitchen, Mount Vernon Gazette
- ❖ **Jean Card, Laurence Foong, Renee Ruggles**, 2nd Place, Informational Graphics, Guide to the Parks, Fairfax Station Connection
- ❖ **Shirley Ruhe**, 2nd Place, Personality or Portrait Photo, Vienna-Oakton Connection
- ❖ **Ken Moore**, 2nd Place, Health, Science & Environmental Writing, Great Falls Connection
- ❖ **Kemal Kurspahic, Andrea Worker, Donald Sweig, Ken Moore, Geovani Flores, Laurence Foong**, 3rd Place, Front Page Design, Reston Connection
- ❖ **Shirley Ruhe**, 3rd Place, Personal Service Writing, Arlington Connection
- ❖ **Steven Mauren, Geovani Flores, Laurence Foong**, 3rd Place, General Makeup, Arlington Connection
- ❖ **Shirley Ruhe**, 3rd Place, General News Photo, Arlington Connection
- ❖ **Eden Brown**, 3rd Place, General News Writing, Arlington Connection
- ❖ **Jeanne Theismann**, 3rd Place, Personal Service Writing, Obituaries, Alexandria Gazette Packet
- ❖ **Steve Artley**, 3rd Place, Illustrations, Editorial

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OPINION

County Ready for Next Phase of Diversion First

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Fairfax County continues to make substantial progress on a program called "Diversion First."

This program provides treatment instead of incarceration for people with mental health issues or developmental disabilities who come into contact with law enforcement for low-level offenses. With Diversion First, an officer can identify a suspect as needing supportive services, and can bring him or her to the Community Services Board (CSB) instead of making an arrest. Instead of making an arrest, officers bringing low-level offenders to the CSB saves the County money, time, and resources. Last year, 375 people were diverted from arrest into treatment- which represents a huge accomplishment. This is not the only opportunity for diversion, however. The County is now pursuing the next phase of the Diversion First program, with a focus on making diversions after this initial contact with law enforcement.

Imagine you or I were arrested for a low-level crime, such as trespassing or disorderly conduct, on a Saturday night. We may be held until Monday or Tuesday. We could then probably post a bond for a few hundred dollars and be released. People with mental illness or developmental disabilities, however, often have troubled employment histories, and do not have that money. They are often detained for months awaiting trial.

During this time, the County is paying approximately \$200 per day to hold them,

all while their mental state is deteriorating. By their next hearing date, these individuals have often spent as much or more time in jail awaiting their day in court than if they had been found guilty of the original charges, resulting in a release based on "time served."

They leave in a worse condition than when they entered. Eighty percent of the time, they will repeat their criminal behavior.

Diversion First breaks this cycle. It provides judges with a treatment alternative at the bonding hearing, when the judge can offer "supervised release" instead of bail. Supervised release requires mandatory treatment, with supervision by a trained probation officer. The person gets treatment and can recover. Then they can be released from criminal charges later if treatment is successful.

Studies show this treatment alternative can reduce the reoccurrence of criminal activity to as low as 20 percent. That means a 60 percent reduction in crime (from 80 percent to 20) from this population. Literally hundreds of crimes can be prevented each year. With jail costing around \$200 per day, and treatment only a few thousand dollars per year, over time the County will save significant funds.

This program is a win-win. Treatment improves lives. Crime will be reduced. Taxpayers will save long-term money. We must continue the progress of Diversion First by implementing these new avenues for diversion. This will allow the County to direct resources more efficiently, allow the Police to save time, and help people with disabilities improve their lives.

Eastern studies, has received an undergraduate research award at the University of Virginia.

John Irahm, Nadine Alkaraghali and Ethan Lewie, of Chantilly High School, were recognized at the Virginia DECA State Leadership Conference held March 3-5 in Virginia Beach.

SCHOOL NOTES

Email announcements to chantilly@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Thursday at noon. Photos are welcome.

Ziyanah Ladak, of Chantilly, a third-year history distinguished major and women, gender and sexuality double major, with a minor in Middle

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Art Guild of Clifton Exhibit. 10 a.m.-8 p.m. at Clifton Wine Shop, 7145 Main St., Clifton. Includes oil paintings of European settings; doors, windows, and flower shops. Free. Call 703-409-0919 for more.

Carolina Shag Dance. Wednesdays, 6:30-10 p.m. at Arlington/Fairfax Elks Lodge, 8421 Arlington Blvd., Fairfax. Free lessons at 7:30 p.m.; no partners needed; dinner menu at 6:45 p.m. Tickets are \$8. Visit www.nvshag.org for more.

Open Rehearsal. Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m. at Lord of Life church, 13421 Twin Lakes Drive, Centreville. The Fairfax Jubil-Aires barbershop chorus invites men of all ages who enjoy singing. Free. Visit www.fairfaxjubilairs.org for more.

Toddlin' Twos. Tuesdays, 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. at the Chantilly Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. Early literacy storytime with songs and activities included. Age 2 with caregiver, free. Call 703-502-3883 to reserve a spot.

Storytime for Three to Fives. Tuesdays, 1:30 p.m. at the Chantilly Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. Stories and activities for children age 3-5 with caregiver. Free. Call 703-502-3883 to reserve a spot.

English Conversation Group. Thursdays, 7 p.m. at the Chantilly Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. Practice English with a group of students and adults. Free. Call 703-502-3883 to reserve a space.

English Conversation Group.



Easter Eggs-Stravaganza

On April 15-16, it's the Easter Eggs-Stravaganza, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. at Roer's Zoofari, at the corner of Hunter Mill Road and Baron Cameron Drive in Vienna. Egg hunts, safari tours, and more. Participants in the Easter Egg hunt are asked to bring their own basket. Call 607-757-6222, or visit www.roerszoofari.com for more.

Selected Saturdays, 3 p.m. at the Centreville Regional Library, 14200 St. Germain Drive. Practice English with a group of students and adults. Free. Call 703-830-2223 for a list of

dates.

English Conversation Group. Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. at the Chantilly Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. Practice English with a group of students and adults. Free. Call 703-502-3883 to reserve a space.

Plant Clinic. Saturdays, 10:30 a.m. at the Chantilly Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. A neighborhood plant clinic with horticultural tips, information, techniques, and advice. Free. Call 703-502-3883 to reserve a space.

ESL Book Club. Mondays, 7 p.m. at the Centreville Regional Library, 14200 St. Germain Drive. Meet and discuss a book chosen by group. Free. Call 703-830-2223 with questions and to reserve a spot.

ESL Book Club. Every other Saturday, 11 a.m. at the Chantilly Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. Adults learning English are welcome to meet and discuss a book chosen by the group. To find out book title, call 703-502-3883.

Lego Block Party. Every other Tuesday, 3 p.m. at the Chantilly Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. Legos will be provided for an afternoon of building. Grades 3-6. Free. Call 703-502-3883 to reserve a spot.

Duplo Storytime. Every other Wednesday, 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. at the Chantilly Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road. Develop and reinforce early literacy skills for reading success. Ages 1-3 with adult. Free. Call 703-502-3883 to reserve a spot.

Live After Five. Fridays at 5:30 p.m. at The Winery at Bull Run, 15950 Lee Highway. Every Friday night a band plays on the patio of the winery. Free to attend. Visit www.wineryatbullrun.com for a full schedule.

Mondays are Family Night. 5-7 p.m. at Villagio, 7145 Main St. \$45 for a family of four. Call 703-543-2030 for more.

Legos Kids Club. Every other Tuesday, 10:30 a.m. at the Centreville Regional Library, 14200 St. Germain Drive. Thousands of

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Centreville International Showcase

On Saturday, April 22, it's the Centreville International Showcase, 5:30-9 p.m. at Korean Central Presbyterian Church, 15451 Lee Highway. Performances include dancers from India, Ireland, El Salvador & Honduras, Korea; Musicians/singers from Ghana, Korea, Guatemala, Peru; Food provided by local restaurants - Korean, Salvadoran, Guatemalan, Indian, Irish, Italian, American. Visit www.centrevilleinternationalshowcase.org for more.

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Legos for children to play with. Ages 6-12. Free. Call 703-830-2223 to reserve a space.

Starlight Storytime. Every other Wednesday, 7 p.m. at the Centreville Regional Library, 14200 St. Germain Drive. Stories under the stars for ages 4-8. Wear pajamas and bring stuffed friends. Free. Call 703-830-2223 to reserve a space.

Over-40 Softball League. A Fairfax-based league is looking for enough players to form another team. Players must be at least 40 years of age to be eligible. All games are doubleheaders - played on Sundays at Bready Park in Herndon between 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. If interested, email skeduman@aol.com for more.

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Adopt a Dog. Fridays, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at PetSmart, 12971 Fair Lakes Center, Fairfax. Visit www.lostdogrescue.org for more.

Adopt a Dog. Saturdays, 12-3 p.m. at Petco, 13053 Lee Jackson Highway. Visit hart90.org.

Adopt a Dog. Sundays, 1-4 p.m. at Petco, 13053 Lee Jackson Memorial Hwy. Adopt a puppy or dog. Visit aforeverhome.org for more.

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SATURDAY/APRIL 15

Celebrate 275 Years of History. 1-4 p.m. at Ellanor C. Lawrence Park, 5040 Walney Road, Chantilly. It's a party to celebrate 275 years of history at the site, mingle with historic reenactors, enjoy visits with the Walney Visitor Center animals, play historic games and try your hand at woodworking. Delve into the past with history tours, archaeology talks, and Civil War drilling demos. Call 703-631-0013 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/eclawrence.

Civil War Soldier Campfire. 5:30-7 p.m. at Ellanor C. Lawrence Park, 5040 Walney Road, Chantilly. Learn about the lives of the soldiers who fought during the Civil War. Practice drilling with a soldier and see a musket firing demonstration. \$10. Call 703-631-0013 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/eclawrence.

SATURDAY/APRIL 22

Centreville International Showcase. At Korean Central Presbyterian Church, 15451 Lee Highway, Centreville. Sponsored by the Centreville Immigration Forum to celebrate the

diversity of the community through music, dance, and food. Email showtimecentreville@gmail.com for more.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/APRIL 22-23

"Sleeping Beauty." 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 22, and at 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 23, at the Ernst Community Cultural Center, 8333 Little River Turnpike. Virginia Ballet Company presents the full-length ballet "Sleeping Beauty." Call 703-323-3000 for more.

SUNDAY/APRIL 23

Meet the New Draft Horses. 1-3 p.m. at Frying Pan Farm Park, 2739 West Ox Road, Herndon. Join in welcoming Jeff and Charlie, the park's new team of Belgian Draft horses. Call 703-324-8662 for more.

SATURDAY/APRIL 29

Fairfax County Anniversary. 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m., Virginia Room, City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. "A Place Called Home: Fairfax County. A 275th Anniversary Event" is a day-long exploration of the history of Fairfax County. Free. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library or call 703-293-6227, ext. 6.

Virginia Touch-A-Truck. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Dominion High School, 21326 Augusta Drive, Sterling. Climb aboard a fire truck, concrete truck or tractor trailer at the Virginia Touch-A-Truck event held by Joshua's Hands. \$5. Children under 12 months free. Email elisabeth@joshuashands.org for more.

Winning Poets on History. 10:30 a.m. at the Sully Historic Site, 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly. Six winners ages 5-13 have been invited to read their poems. This contest is sponsored by the Fairfax County Park Authority and the Fairfax County Park Foundation and is an official Fairfax County 275th anniversary event. Email parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov or call 703-324-8662 for more.

SUNDAY/APRIL 30

Indoor Yard Sale. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Oakton Baptist Church of Chantilly, 14001 Sullyfield Circle. Call 571-313-1863 for more.

Spring Arts and Crafts Day. 1-4 p.m. at the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road. Railroad themed arts and crafts. 5-15, \$2; 16 and older, \$4. Visit www.fairfaxstation.org or call 703-425-9225.

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ROUNDUPS

Free Carseat Inspections

Certified technicians from the Sully District Police Station will perform free, child safety carseat inspections Thursday, April 13, from 5-8:30 p.m., at the station, 4900 Stonecroft Blvd. in Chantilly. No appointment is necessary. But residents should install the child safety seats themselves so technicians may properly inspect and adjust them, as needed. The first 35 vehicles arriving on each date will be inspected so inspectors have enough time to properly instruct caregivers on the correct use of the child seat. Call 703-814-7000, ext. 5140, to confirm dates and times.

Prepare for Emergencies

The GFWC Western Fairfax County Woman's Club (WFCWC) will host a presentation on "Emergency Preparedness" on Monday, April 17, at 7 p.m. Guest speaker Grelia Steele is the new community outreach manager for the Fairfax County Office of Emergency Management. She will discuss personal preparedness and provide an overview on family preparedness and emergency preparedness resources to help people become ready for unforeseen disasters.

Steele is an emergency management professional with six years of experience in two Northern Virginia jurisdictions and international experience. She holds two Bachelor Degrees from Virginia Commonwealth University in Homeland Security and Emergency Management and in Political Science. She also holds numerous local, state, and federal certifications in public safety.

WFCWC usually meets at 7 p.m. on the third Monday of the month, September through May, at the Cale Community Center, 4615 Stringfellow Road. Guests are welcome and admission is free. For more information about WFCWC, see www.wfcwc.org or call Mary Jane Hasselkus at 703-378-4250.

International Showcase

The Centreville Immigration Forum is hosting the 7th Annual Centreville International Showcase on Saturday, April 22, from 5:30-9 p.m. at the Korean Central Presbyterian Church, 15451 Lee Highway, Centreville.

The free event offers international entertainment and food from local restaurants.

The Centreville Immigration Forum is a community volunteer group focused on immigration and diversity in the Centreville area, with goals to implement sustainable programs that: provide immigrants in need with the means to improve their lives and become more integrated into the community; improve communication and cooperation among all groups serving immigrants; and build community recognition of our strength in diversity.

See www.centrevilleinternationalshowcase.org.

Emergency Response Training

The next available Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Class is scheduled to begin on Monday, April 24 at the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Academy. There are two sessions each week on Mondays and Wednesdays that run until May 17. The class is 28 hours in length, plus the final practical exercise.

The training prepares residents to help themselves, their families and neighbors in the event of a disaster in their community. Through CERT, residents can learn about disaster preparedness and receive training in basic disaster response skills such as fire safety, light search and rescue, and disaster medical operations.

CERT training is free of charge and basic gear is provided. The minimum requirements to participate in CERT training at any level is that residents be 16 years of age or older, and either be a Fairfax County resident, or work in the county.

Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fr/cert/cert.htm.

Volunteer Drivers Are Needed

Fairfax County needs volunteers to drive older adults to medical appointments and wellness programs. For these and other volunteer opportunities, call 703-324-5406 or go to www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults and click on Volunteer Solutions.

NEWS

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Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Jessica Greis-Edwardson



Blue Tango entertains the crowd at the Crime Victims Tribute at Fairfax Corner. In front are photos of local victims.

National Crime Victims' Rights

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to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, it is in dying that we are born again to eternal life."

SPEAKING FROM THE HEART, Samaha said, "On April 16, 2017, it'll be 3,653 days since the Virginia Tech shooting. My daughter's spirit still lives and inspires and comforts me every day. After the tragedy, I took the political path and my wife Mona took the spiritual path – but we took that journey together."

Following the massacre, he said, "There were no victims' advocates; they were turned away. The traumatized were helping the traumatized, and that wasn't good. Now, unfortunately, I'm kind of an expert on mass shootings." He then told the crime victims and survivors in the audience what he's learned:

"You are the strongest and most resilient people I know," said Samaha. "You are heroes; and in a different way, we are all family and find strength in

that support – the village. As victims, we seek the trilogy – truth, accountability and apology – knowing we may never receive the full truth, complete accountability or a sincere apology.

"As victims, we learn to deal with the healing of broken bodies, broken hearts and broken minds. We learn to cope with our trauma. As victims, we have been to war and yet we find strength, not to succumb to our grief, but to take action. As victims and survivors, we honor, remember and create a living legacy for those we have lost, and those injured, to feel and enjoy the essence, the aroma and the touch of their love.

"As victims, we are resilient: We can live again, we can laugh again, we can breathe again, we can trust again, we can love again and believe in God again. And may the greatest gift given to you be forgiveness. That's what enabled me to go on to do the work I do."

Supervisor Jeff McKay (D-Lee) then gave Samaha a plaque proclaiming April 2-8 National Crime Victims' Rights Week. And after the walk, the Rev. Allan McCullough of Grace Hill Church gave a benediction.

BULLETIN BOARD

Submit civic/community announcements at ConnectionNewspapers.com/Calendar. Photos and artwork welcome. Deadline is Thursday at noon, at least two weeks before event.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Children who will be 5 years old on or before Sept. 30, 2017, are eligible to attend kindergarten. Find the correct neighborhood school by entering your address at <http://boundary.fcps.edu/boundary/>. Complete a packet of registration forms found at www.fcps.edu/it/forms/enroll.pdf or in the school office. Gather supporting documents: proof of residence in the school boundary, a certified copy of the child's birth certificate, parent/guardian photo ID, and any custody orders. Certificate of physical exam and immunization will be required before the student may start school, but is not required for registration. Parents who choose to delay enrollment in kindergarten by one year are required to notify the school

in writing of their intent.

Greenbriar East Elementary School, 13006 Point Pleasant Drive, Fairfax, is now accepting registration for rising Kindergarteners. Visit greenbriareast.fcps.edu to sign up for an appointment or call Melissa Dicker, School Registrar at 703-633-6400.

Greenbriar West Elementary School is now accepting information for next year's Kindergarten classes. Call the school office at 703-633-6700 as soon as possible.

APRIL

Coffee for Campers. April is the Month of the Military Child, and to honor our nation's littlest heroes, the National Military Family Association is asking if you'll give up your coffee shop coffee and donate that extra \$5

a day to send a military kid to Operation Purple Camp. Visit www.militaryfamily.org/get-involved/donate/coffee-for-campers.html to learn more.

FRIDAY/APRIL 14

Westfield Mulch Order Deadline.

Have your mulch delivered right to your driveway on April 21 or 22. Your order will raise the funds needed to provide a safe and sober All Night Grad Party for Westfield Seniors and support other vital PTSA programs. Order early, there is a limit on the total number of bags that can be delivered. \$5 per bag. \$2 per bag, for students to spread mulch, also limited number of slots. Order today at bit.ly/2kAh4fb.

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Easter Table Design Ideas

Local tastemakers offer spring table setting and centerpiece ideas.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL

The arrival of spring offers fresh inspiration for table setting and home décor, say local designers. “What’s really beautiful about spring is that there is such natural beauty outside,” said Amanda Mertins, co-owner of Patina Polished Living in Old Town Alexandria. “Everything comes to life in spring. It’s all so fresh, you don’t have to do anything too contrived because decorations present themselves naturally with lovely daffodils and hyacinths. Pastel colored eggs are also part of the scene. You can combine the natural elements with the givens like eggs and bunnies.”

“Trim a few branches from a flowering bush or tree,” said Courtney Thomas of The Picket Fence in Burke, Virginia. “If you have tulips or daffodils, harvest some and make your own bouquet or place single stems in bud vases.”

“You can’t beat the amazing color display that’s going on outside right now,” added Anne M. Walker of Anne Walker Design in Potomac, Maryland.

“The deep magenta blossoms of the Redbud trees combined with the chartreuse color of the budding tree leaves and new grasses makes my heart skip a beat. Bring these vibrant greens and purples into your house any way you can: fresh flowers, throw pillows, candles. A little touch of coral is welcome now and is a wonderful harbinger of the warmer days ahead.”

For a simple Easter centerpiece start with a tray, advises Thomas. “Cover the bottom with Easter grass or faux moss,” she said. “Place a potted plant or bouquet in the center with decorative Easter eggs nestled in the grass around it. Add a bunny or two and you have a cohesive centerpiece that is easy to move if necessary.”

Small accent pieces can have a big impact on table settings. “Make the table more festive by having place cards at each setting,” said Kelley Proxmire, principal at Kelley Proxmire, Inc. “Make each setting a little bit more special by putting individual small flower



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Designer Kelley Proxmire uses individual small flower arrangements to personalize the table setting in this Vienna, Virginia home.

arrangements, or perhaps an Easter candy at each place.

To create a sophisticated display, Walker advises forgoing traditional pastel colors and Easter eggs in lieu of vintage white décor. “[Home accessory stores] will all have decorating treasures, and they should be at deeply discounted prices this week,” she said.

Mertins creates an “Easter tree” decorated with hand-blown, hand-painted eggs. “They’re from Austria and they’re really like works of art,” she said. “You can hang these eggs from budding branches like those in a Forsythia [shrub] with green leaves and buds.”



Amanda Mertins of Patina Polished Living creates an Easter tree with hand-painted eggs.

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Exercising A Demon



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Last night, between 9:30 p.m. and 10:15 p.m., I traveled back in time — without leaving my bedroom and without the use of a Time Machine. I went back approximately 41 years to the fall of '73, to my sophomore year in college at The University of Maryland. A group of us decided to go see one of the most talked about movies of the year: "The Exorcist." Talked about because it was filmed locally here in Georgetown and because it was said to be scary as h---.

I believe we saw the movie at the old KB Cinema located on Wisconsin Ave., NW, adjacent to Rodmans. I could be wrong but there's no one to ask, so you'll just have to take my word for it. I remember little else about the evening, other than my return back to my dorm room, #103, at Cumberland Hall in College Park. Though I had a roommate, he had gone home for the weekend so I was all alone. And that is what I remember most, closing the door, shutting off the lights, sitting on my bed and staring into the darkness and seeing Linda Blair's face (from the movie) and being extremely uncomfortable being by myself so soon after having seen the movie. I had a difficult night. I don't remember if I had any nightmares however, but, it was a miserable experience trying to fall asleep. I have not seen "The Exorcist" a second time, in its entirety or in any pieces until last night, despite it being a movie readily available on cable, especially around Halloween.

I would say I saw the last 45 minutes. I saw Linda Blair tied up in her bed. I saw Linda Blair turn her head completely around. I saw projectile vomiting from her mouth. I saw her fiery, yellow eyes and her face all torn up with scars and scabs. I saw her bed shake. I saw her bed levitate. I heard the demon inside her growl, screech, curse and speak backwards and verbally attack all the priests held sacred. I heard the bells chiming in the movie score. I saw plenty but not enough to justify the fear that engulfed me all those many years ago. Having watched the movie again (and having slept peacefully through the evening), it almost feels as if I've survived a rite of passage somehow, faced off against my past and come out reasonably healthy — all things not considered.

Nevertheless, I have no interest in seeing "scary" movies. I guess I don't see the point or rather the point pales in comparison to the fact that I've been diagnosed with cancer: now that's scary. Moreover, having lived over 40 years since having seen "The Exorcist," a few other scary things have happened in life which places a movie in context; it's only celluloid (sort of), it's not real. So I've learned a few things and probably unlearned a lot more. I wouldn't say watching the movie tonight was an epiphany-type moment when the light came on and I realized what I had been missing or perhaps realized what I've been getting. Granted, it's only a movie, and one that's over 40 years old, but it's a movie/experience/ affect that had stuck with me for a long time, and now I'm free of its tentacles.

It reminds of another movie I saw as a young boy, when I was under 10 years old, it scared the h--- out of me and did give me nightmares: "Invaders From Mars," released in 1953. The Martians landed in a field just within view from a little boy's bedroom window in his family's farmhouse. I remember his wide eyes at seeing the light off in the distance. I remember the music. I remember the Martians having a device that made the ground disappear and then reform. I remember the Martian leader's head being carried around in a goldfish-type bowl of something. I don't remember the plot. I just remember being frightened. It wasn't until "The Exorcist" 15 or so years later that I had been similarly scared. And it wasn't until 35 years after seeing "The Exorcist" when I was once again so scared that I had trouble sleeping, and had nightmares, and experienced everything else associated with fear that your life may actually be coming to an end: my non-small cell lung cancer diagnosis in late February 2009. Having survived more than a few years now past my original "13 month to two-year" prognosis, maybe I am ready to go see another scary movie? After all, I could probably use the diversion.

Kenny Lourie is an Advertising Representative for The Potomac Almanac & The Connection Newspapers.

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Tornado Preparedness
Cub Run Elementary School participated in the Virginia State-wide Tornado Drill on March 21.



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Battle of the Books

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Participating WWII veterans and civilians receive a standing ovation at Temple Rodef Shalom. From left: Don Reynolds, Stanley Mikulak, Col. Ned Burr, Edward Connors, Sarah Connors, Sig Alman, Charles Chapman, Gwen Cody, Col. Frank Cohn, and project organizer Madeleine LeBeau.



PHOTO BY JOSEPHINE LEBEAU

Project organizer, Madeleine LeBeau, greets Col. Frank Cohn at the iWitnessed — >iRemember program at Temple Rodef Shalom on April 2. Col. Cohn, who served as a translator in the European Theater during WWII, shared many of his personal recollections and reflections for this program.

Learning from Greatest Generation

Seventh graders meet WWII heroes at Temple Rodef Shalom.

On Sunday, April 2, 2017, the iWitnessed —>iRemember program honored nine local World War II veterans and civilians for sharing their memories of World War II with scores of middle schoolers at Temple Rodef Shalom. A Gold Award project by Fairfax County Girl Scout Madeleine LeBeau, iWitnessed —>iRemember, interviewed 16 Northern Virginia residents about their recollections of World War II, and how their experience and

values still matter to the world today. After watching video compilations of these interviews, the seventh-grade audience then had a chance to apply what they had learned, both by making hand-crafted blankets and paracord bracelets for current U.S. servicemen and women and as part of two WWII-themed interactive experiences.

For many, the highlight of the evening was the closing ceremony, in which nine of the WWII veterans and civilians received individual standing ovations for their service,

their sacrifices, and their participation in the project. Many of the seventh-graders attending then had the opportunity to speak directly with these local heroes, showing their personal appreciation for their service and for the message that they, too, can make history, just as the honorees had made history as teenagers during World War II.

Madeleine LeBeau created the project as part of her work for the Gold Award, which is the highest honor awarded by the Girl Scouts.

LeBeau said she was inspired to create the project after meeting several World War II veterans at her school and a recent Memorial Day event. “Many of my friends have never had the chance to meet a World War II veteran, and I wanted to ensure that students would have a chance to learn directly from these heroes for years to come.”

During the upcoming year, LeBeau is planning to bring the project to other local schools and organizations in an effort to give other students an opportunity to appreciate the stories and the values of these American heroes. LeBeau is a freshman at Chantilly High School.

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SATURDAY/APRIL 22

7th Annual Immigration Forum.

5:30-9 p.m. at Korean Central Presbyterian Church, 15451 Lee Highway, Centreville. Join the Centreville Immigration Forum in celebration of the dance, music, food and diverse community of Northern Virginia. Free. Visit www.centrevilleinternationalshowcase.org.

MONDAY/APRIL 24

Free Financial Counseling. 6-7:15

p.m. at Chantilly Computer Learning Center, 4101 Elmwood St., Chantilly. Certified financial planners will provide 45-60 minutes of free confidential financial counseling. Email Ldiaz@wfcma.org or call 703-988-9656.

WEDNESDAY/APRIL 26

Sully District Council Meeting. 7

p.m. at Sully District Governmental Center, 4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly. Membership topic: Manassas Battlefield National Park's current plans and possible impacts on its Fairfax County neighbors with Brandon S. Bies, Superintendent, Manassas National Battlefield Park. Visit www.sullydistrict.org/ for more.

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