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NEWS



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Seniors compete in a wide range of sports in 2016 NVSO.

Northern Virginia Senior Olympics Celebrates 35th Year

Participants can compete in 70 different events.

BY SHIRLEY RUHE
THE CONNECTION

You don't have to travel to another country to find the Olympics. The Northern Virginia Senior Olympics (NVSO) is set to begin on Sept. 9 and continue until Sept. 20. And the best news is that anyone who turns 50 this year can participate in any of 70 different events.

EIGHTY-FOUR YEAR OLD Alease Brooks from Arlington says she competed in 13 different events last year including running, long jump, javelin, three pickleball events and bowling. This year she has registered for the same 13 events. She says she started in Senior Olympics with walking 14 years ago because she walked anyway and has competed every year since. "Except last year about this time I broke my foot and the doctor said I would be in a cast for six months. I told him I couldn't do that. After a month I told him I got to be in the Olympics and he said, 'let me see how you're walkin'.' Then he told me to do what I wanted to do. No one could believe it."

"My favorite sport is pickleball. Now I do singles, doubles and mixed. The first year I just tried singles because I figured out if I lost I'd just have me to be upset with." Brooks said, "This year I'm buying a new pickleball racquet to psyche myself up."

Brooks is sporting a pink pickleball shirt with matching hat. She said, "My kids buy me these T-shirts with my name on it. I mix up the colors." She has a son in Austin and three daughters plus five grandchildren who live in Arlington, Reston and Maryland. "My grandchildren don't miss. They encourage me." She recalls

one event on a Saturday where all of her children came with their friends and the grandchildren, too. "They called them my cheerleading group."

Why the Senior Olympics? "Well, I'm one of those people who like to keep busy. I don't give up, and I can't keep still. I want to grow old gracefully. And," she said, "As you grow older you can still dream, and dream big." She has a long-time interest in sports since her career as a physical education and health teacher in Los Angeles.

Some participants have competed for years, others have returned to a high school or college sport and others have taken up a sport for the first time in their 70s. And as Brooks said, "The nice thing is you see people you haven't seen since last year and you're laughin' and talkin'."

The games are held in 26 community centers, parks, high schools and other locations across Northern Virginia including Claude Moore Recreation Center, Thomas Jefferson Community Center, Falls Church High School, Fairlington Community Center, Fairfax Senior Center-Green Acres, and Bowl America Shirley.

Participants can register online until Sept. 2. However, there is no on-site registration. For a complete list of events or to register contact www.nvso@us. Basic registration is \$13 with \$1 for each additional event with a few exceptions.

The NVSO began in 1982 with about 80 people competing. Last year there were more than 900 participants competing in events ranging from tennis, track, nineball pool, rapid chess, softball throw, swimming and diving, golf, yo-yo, cornhole toss and the fast-growing pickleball.

Media contact Rob Paine stresses they still need volunteers at a number of their venues. He says it takes more than 100 volunteers to make the Senior Olympics work smoothly.

Those interested in volunteering should contact RSVP Northern Virginia at 703-403-5360 or email rsvp@volunteerfairfax.org.



Alease Brooks is registered for 13 different events in this year's Northern Virginia Senior Olympics (NVSO). Brooks is 84 (almost 85) and will be competing for the 14th year.

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Moderate Republican Challenges Democratic Whip

First-time candidate challenges key figure in House Democratic caucus leadership.

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE
THE CONNECTION

Until this year, three-term Del. Alfonso Lopez (D-49) has never had a Republican opponent. Back in 2011, he beat Democrat Stephanie Clifford in a primary fight to win the open seat vacated by Adam Ebbin, who is now in the state Senate. And he faced Independent Green Terry Modglin in 2013. But he's never faced a Republican. Until now.

Adam Roosevelt is challenging Lopez from the right in a district that leans so far to the left that Democrats very rarely fall below 70 percent. He says he'd vote against removing Confederate statues and expanding Medicaid. But Roosevelt is not a typical Republican. He says he'll also vote against hospital construction standards for abortion clinics and for closing the gun show loophole. On the campaign trail, Roosevelt accuses Lopez of failing to make much of a mark during his six years in Richmond.

"I disagree with the lack of innovation in the bills that have been attempted to be passed and patroned," said Roosevelt. "There was a water sewage quality bill that he passed, but yet we don't have bills passing through the General Assembly right now that are talking about the enhancement of STEM."

Lopez rejects this idea, and his campaign has created a list of bills Lopez has patroned or co-patroned that have passed the General Assembly and been signed by the governor. The list includes more than 100 state laws Lopez helped create, everything from a small-business investment grant fund and expanding Medicaid coverage to immigrant mothers and children to creating the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, which has invested \$1.4 million in the 49th District. Lopez also says that as the Democratic whip, part of his job is wrangling up votes to sustain more than 100 vetoes since Gov. Terry McAuliffe took office in 2014.

"I'm very proud of the fact that we were able to sustain vetoes of bills that would have banned books, bills that would have demonized women who go to Planned Parenthood," he said. "Bills that would have decimated the social safety net, bills that would have harmed education funding, bills that would have made us look worse than North Carolina like the bathroom bill that passed the House and we were able to sustain the veto."



The 49th District stretches from Seven Corners through Nauck and Penrose into Aurora Highlands.



Adam Roosevelt



Alfonso Lopez

THE 49TH DISTRICT stretches from Seven Corners through Nauck and Penrose into Aurora Highlands. It's a solidly blue seat, where Democrats rarely get less than 70 percent of the vote. The only Democrat who failed to meet that threshold was state Sen. Creigh Deeds (D-25), who tried and failed to run a centrist campaign for governor against Republican Bob McDonnell in 2009. The district is only 53 percent white, which makes it the 14th lowest of the 100 House districts.

"As a demographic category, race is the strongest predictor of vote choice," says Geoff Skelley at the University of Virginia Center for Politics. "Nonwhite voters tend to be strongly Democratic while white voters are more likely than not to be Republican."

Another distinguishing characteristic of the district is the level of education. People who live here are highly educated, significantly above the average level of education in Virginia. Along with the racial and ethnic diversity, this contributes to the politics of the district.

"After race, education is now the second strongest predictor of vote intention," said Skelley. "Race is also part of this because white college-educated voters overall lean slightly more Republican with women being slightly more Democratic and men being a bit more Republican. But non-college white

voters are very Republican leaning, and there aren't many of them in this district."

ROOSEVELT, 25, is a native of Portsmouth. He served all over the world in the Army before settling in the 49th District in late 2015. He earned a bachelor's degree in information technology management from a California-based online college known as Trident University International while he was serving in Afghanistan. He is currently pursuing a master's degree from the University of Maryland University College in cybersecurity policy. He is currently in the Army Reserves as an information technology specialist and a contractor for the Department of Homeland Security working for intelligence and analysis in cybersecurity and cloud computing and cross-domain services.

"My generation has to have a future, and our voice has to be heard, and policies have to be rolled out to support the future of my generation," said Roosevelt. "I'm just a freedom fighter. I went to war for this country, and I believe that my generation has to have a future. The only way you can have a future is if you're out there every day being a voice to the people who need help."

If elected, Roosevelt says he would like to cut Virginia's corporate income tax from 6 percent to 4 percent for small businesses — essentially businesses with five or fewer employees. He says he'd also like to realign the public education system to work with the private sector to create "skill clusters" so students can get jobs in cybersecurity or the medial field. He also says he'd like to do away with regulations like traffic pattern analysis to facilitate transportation projects like a bullet train to New York. When asked what other regulations he would reduce or eliminate, he declined to offer more details.

"I don't want to go into the thousands of different complexities here because I'm really focusing on a high-level discussion," said Roosevelt. "When I pass a bill, which is the concept of what we are trying to do, it talks about cutting down on county and state regulations in order for us to produce innovative transportation mediums."

LOPEZ, 47, is a native of Williamsport, Penn., although he was raised in the Middleridge neighborhood of Fairfax County. He has a bachelor's degree in American Studies from Vassar College in New York and a juris doctorate from Tulane University Law School in New Orleans. Professionally, he's a former lobbyist for Alcalde & Fay, and he's currently director at a federal contracting firm known as Capitol Bridge LLC. He was first elected in 2011, and he's now part of the leadership in the Democratic caucus, serving as the Democratic whip.

"We need to focus on building a commonwealth that lifts everyone up and leaves nobody behind," said Lopez. "And so everything I do in the legislature is geared toward that."

If he's elected to a fourth term, Lopez says he would work to make sure that Virginia remains an open and welcoming commonwealth for immigrants as well as the LGBTQ community. He says he would also work to improve the environment and work toward renewable energy. Perhaps most importantly, though, Lopez says he wants to "grow the economy and increase jobs," a goal he says includes everything from helping small businesses to funding education. Ultimately, he says he wants to improve the quality of life and attract businesses to Virginia.

"It's not just expanding Medicaid, and it's not just strengthening our social safety net," said Lopez. "It's investing in transit and transportation. It's improving public education by reducing class sizes and time spent on standardized tests. It's ensuring that workers have a voice on the job."

OPINION

Helping After Harvey

Give locally in Texas; give money not stuff.

The scenes of devastation from Hurricane Harvey in Texas will prompt many generous people to contribute to immediate relief efforts.

First, a reminder to give money, not stuff. The organizations on the ground need money now to address particular needs.

As a local paper, it fair to say that if we had a similar disaster here in Northern Virginia, we would want donated money to go to local organizations that understand local needs, rules, supply chains, etc. Give locally.

EDITORIAL

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Party with the Police First responders and community come together at block party.

By definition, people don't normally meet first responders when things are going well. The first reaction to the fire department showing up at one's house, or the police lights flashing in the rear view mirror, isn't typically joy. The annual Arlington Police, Fire, Sheriff Block Party has spent years trying to change that.

At an all-day event outside Kenmore Middle School on Aug. 27, Arlington's first responders hosted a range of community activities and displays, from a K9 demonstration to helicopter shows.

"This is an opportunity for public safety officials in Arlington to give back to the community," said Ashley Savage, public information office for the Arlington Police Department. "It's important, also, for the community to get a chance to meet the men and women serving them."

— VERNON MILES

A tall, inflatable slide — one of the more popular attractions at the block party.



Firefighters help make buttons for Arlington children.



Arlington County Sheriff's Office and Arlington County Police Department at the annual Arlington Police, Fire, Sheriff Block Party outside Kenmore Middle School on Aug. 27.



Probationary Firefighter Tristan Plant (left) helps Jake Lopez spray down fire targets with a hose.

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In Their Shoes

Activists rally outside county offices in support for immigrant protections.

BY VERNON MILES
THE CONNECTION

There's about 70 miles between Charlottesville and Richmond. Lizzette Arias walked all of them.

Arias was one of a dozen local activists who gathered outside the Arlington County offices on Aug. 24 to announce #RiseUpVA, a four-day walk from Charlottesville to Richmond.

According to Arias, the march is in protest to crackdowns on the immigrant community from the federal government. Activists at the Rise Up event highlighted two particular threats: the Trump administration's ongoing efforts to repeal Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), which gives youth brought to the country illegally protection from deportation and work visas, and Temporary Protected Status, which shelters immigrants from countries facing military or environmental catastrophe.

"This is what Virginia looks like; neighbors coming out to support each other regardless of their skin color," said Arias. "[This march] is in response to the strengthening deportation machine and the threats to repeal DACA and TPS ... Life in the shadows is hard. It's

time to rise up."

At the gathering, activists from a range of backgrounds shared their stories and expressed their support for immigration protections.

Reuben Chavez said he was lucky. He was born in the United States and his single mother, who had immigrated here, was eventually able to get citizenship. But Chavez says this experience reminds him how many immigrants living in the United States have not been as lucky.

"People need to understand; immigrants are people," said Chavez. "They deserve dignity and respect. I'm tired of people treating us as less than. We want to project that message, so people know that we're here to stay."

According to Beatriz Amberman from the Virginia Coalition of Latino Organizations, 10 states are undergoing efforts to remove the protections DACA and TPS. Amberman and others cited a Cato Institute study on illegal immigration by Ike Brannon and Logan Albright, which noted substantial economic benefit from immigration protections like DACA.

"We estimate that the fiscal cost of immediately deporting the ap

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"FLOURISHING AFTER 55"

"Flourishing After 55" from Arlington Office of Senior Adult Programs for Sept. 5-17.

Senior centers: Lee, 5722 Lee Hwy.; Langston-Brown Senior Center, 2121 N. Culpeper St.; Walter Reed, 2909 S. 16th St.; Arlington Mill, 909 S. Dinwiddie St.; Aurora Hills, 735 S. 18th St.

Senior trips: Artist Dale Chihuly exhibit, New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, N.Y., Tuesday, Sept. 5, \$186 (includes lunch and dinner); Coach Horses Tea Room, Winchester, Wednesday, Sept. 6, \$48; National Library of Medicine, Bethesda, Thursday, Sept. 7, \$6. Call Arlington County 55+ Travel, 703-228-4748. Registration required.

Senior centers will be closed Monday, Sept. 4.

NEW PROGRAMS:

Ukulele class, basic strumming, Tuesday, Sept. 5, 6 p.m., Walter Reed. Register, 703-228-0955.

Encore Chorale rehearsals begin, Tuesday, Sept. 5, 1:45 p.m., Langston-Brown. Details, 301-261-5747 or encorecreativity.org.

Tennis for adults, 55+, 9 a.m., Bluemont Park tennis courts. Register, 703-228-4771.

Introduction to computers, Wednesday, Sept. 6, 11:30 -12:30 p.m., Aurora Hills. Register early, 703-228-5722.

Fruity Fall desserts demonstration, Wednesday, Sept. 6, 1:30 p.m., Aurora Hills. Register, 703-228-5722.

Trivia Night at Arlington Mill, Wednesday, Sept. 6, 7:30 p.m., all ages welcome. Register, 703-228-7369.

Arlington Walking Club, Wednesday, Sept. 6, 9:30 a.m., Lubber Run Community Center, \$4. Details, 703-228-4403.

50 ways to live longer from AARP, Thursday, Sept. 7, 10 a.m., Walter Reed. Register, 703-228-0955.

Cornhole games (bean bag toss), Thursday, Sept. 7, 1 p.m., Arlington Mill. Register, 703-228-7369.

Ballroom dance, Friday, Sept. 8, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m., Arlington Mill. Free. Register, 703-228-7369.

Classical Greek Theatre discussions begin Friday, Sept. 8, 1:30 p.m., Aurora Hills. Register, 703-228-5722.

Fast Forwards walking group, Friday, Sept. 8, 9 a.m., Lee. Register, 703-228-0555.

Opening of 2017 Northern Virginia Senior Olympics, Saturday, Sept. 9, Thomas Jefferson Community Center. Details, 703-228-4721 or email, nvso1982@gmail.com

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ENTERTAINMENT

Signature Stages ‘A Little Night Music’

Presenting Stephen Sondheim’s musical masterpiece set in 1900s Sweden.

BY STEVE HIBBARD
THE CONNECTION

Signature Theatre in Arlington is staging Stephen Sondheim’s “A Little Night Music” now through Oct. 8.

The winner of four Tony Awards in 1973, with music by Stephen Sondheim and book by Hugh Wheeler, returns to the Signature stage in a new production directed by Eric Schaeffer and featuring D.C. actors Holly Twyford and Bobby Smith. A film version was released in 1977 starring Elizabeth Taylor.

The play is set in 1900s Sweden, when on a magical night with an aging actress, a married virgin, a sex-starved divinity student, and a buffoonish count find themselves tangled in a web of love affairs. It features the musical numbers, “A Weekend in the Country,” “Liaisons,” and “Send in the Clowns.”

Sam Ludwig plays the role of Henrik, a sensitive and lost young man torn between his id and superego. “He has all the bodily urges of a 19-year-old boy, yet studies scripture and plays the cello to take his mind off his earthly desires,” said Ludwig. “This works about as well as it usually does with



Nicki Elledge (Anne) and Sam Ludwig (Henrik) star in Signature Theatre’s production of “A Little Night Music,” which runs now through Oct. 8.

PHOTO BY
NOAH CHIET

humans.”

He said the challenge was learning how to fake playing the cello while simultaneously singing a super-vocally daunting Sondheim song (and also act).

He added that his favorite thing about the show is its frankness about sexuality and all the joys and complications associated with it. “It shows the effect of love and sex

on people of all ages and does so with nuance and honesty. This is no doubt due to the fact that the source material is a Swedish film,” he said. “The music is so pretty and the characters are so lovable that your horizons can be broadened without you even noticing, because you’re having such a good time.”

Nicki Elledge plays the role of Anne

Egerman, the 18-year-old virginal wife of Fredrik. “Although Anne adores and respects Fredrik, something is lacking in their relationship and she is hesitant about consummating the marriage,” said Elledge. “Anne is youthful, bubbly, and extremely playful. Even though she may come across as naive and unaware in moments, she still possesses a great deal of thoughtfulness and intuition.”

She said she wants to make sure she gives Anne a real depth to the performance. “It has been challenging finding the balance between the bubbly/playful side and the serious/intuitive side of Anne,” she said.

Another challenging aspect of this role is the music, she said. “Anne has some intricate music to sing and it has taken me some time to become comfortable with it all. It has been a real pleasure working on this brilliant and lush Sondheim score.”

She thinks the story and music of the play is filled with heart and relatable characters. “I hope audiences become swept up in the beauty of the story and can experience a couple hours of magic, leaving the theater feeling more fulfilled than when they arrived,” she said.

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Signature Theatre is staging “A Little Night Music,” now through Oct. 8. Tickets are \$40 to \$108. Show times are Tuesdays through Saturdays at 7:30 and 8 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays at 2 p.m.; and Sundays at 7 p.m. The venue is located at 4200 Campbell Ave., Arlington. Call 703-820-9771 or visit www.sigtheatre.org.

CALENDAR

Submit entertainment announcements at www.connectionnewspapers.com/Calendar/. The deadline is noon on Friday. Photos/artwork encouraged.

ONGOING

Jung Min Park: Memoryscape.

Various times through Oct. 1 at the Arlington Arts Center, 3550 Wilson Blvd. Jung Min Park creates memorable urban and architectural scenes through first-hand experiences and observations of cities and sites. Call 703-248-6800 for more.

“A Little Night Music.” Various times through Oct. 8 at the Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave. Visit www.sigtheatre.org.

Arlington Farmer’s Market. Every Saturday, 8 a.m.-noon at the corner of N. 14th Street and N. Courthouse Road. A weekly celebration of local food including fresh produce, meats, dairy, cheese, baked goods, free range eggs, specialty items, cut flowers, plants and herbs. Email csingiser@cfwdc.org or call 917-733-6402.

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Mobile Bike Repair. 8 a.m.-3 p.m. on

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Food Truck Thursdays. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at 1900 Crystal Drive and 201 12th St. Actual truck schedules are subject to change so be sure to follow your favorites. Visit www.crystalcity.org for more.

Healthy Lifestyle Runs. Saturdays, 9 a.m. at Roosevelt Island, George Washington Memorial Parkway. American Cancer Society partners with parkrun USA to promote fitness in the fight against cancer. Free. Visit www.parkrun.us/rooseveltislanddc/ for more.

Friday Night Live. 8 p.m. Fridays at the Church at Clarendon, 1210 N. Highland St., Suite A. Local musicians perform. Free. Visit 1bc.org for more.

Culinaire’s Winter Lunch. Tuesdays through Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at The Art Institute of Washington, 1820 N. Fort Myer Drive, 12th floor. Culinaire, the student-run restaurant of the Art Institute of Washington, is now serving lunch from their winter menu on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Visit www.artinstitutes.edu/arlington for more.

Arlington’s Historical Museum Open on First Wednesdays. The Arlington Historical Museum is open

to the public on the first Wednesday of every month from 12:30-3:30 p.m. The museum consists of exhibits chronicling Arlington County’s history from Native American settlements up to the present day. The museum will continue to be open on Saturdays and Sundays from 1-4 p.m. Admission is free. The museum is located in the former 1891 Hume School building at 1805 S. Arlington Ridge Road. Contact Garrett Peck at 571-243-1113 or at garrett.peck@arlingtonhistoricalsociety.org.

LGBT & Straight Friends Social. Tuesdays. Happy Hour, 3-7 p.m.; Mikey’s “Bar A” Video Wall, 7 p.m.; start time at 8 p.m. IOTA Club & Cafe, 2832 Wilson Blvd. For 21 years and older. Free. Visit www.iotaclubandcafe.com for more.

Open Mic Comedy. Wednesdays 8-10 p.m. at Ri Ra Irish Pub, 2915 Wilson Blvd. Doors open at 7 p.m. Age 21 and up only. Free show, \$25 cash prize for best joke. Call 703-248-9888 or Visit www.RiRa.com/ Arlington for more.

Food Truck Thursdays. 5:30-8:30 p.m. at the corner of North Irving St. and Washington Blvd. Find a round-up of regional food trucks. Free to attend. Visit www.dmvfta.org.

Invasive Plants Removal. Work parties are held every month to keep the parks free of destructive invasive plants. Teens, adults and families welcome. Every second Sunday of the month 2-4:30 p.m. at Gulf Branch Nature Center, 3608 Military Road;

call 703-228-3403. Every third Sunday of the month 2-5 p.m. at Long Branch Nature Center, 625 S. Carlin Springs Road; call 703-228-6535 or Visit registration.arlingtonva.us. Free, no registration required.

Poetry Series. 6-8 p.m. second Sunday of the month at IOTA Club & Cafe, 2832 Wilson Blvd. Hosted by poet Miles David Moore. Featured artists share their poetry followed by open readings. Free. Visit www.iotaclubandcafe.com or call 703-522-8340.

Open Mic Nite. 8 p.m.-12:30 a.m. every Wednesday at IOTA Club & Cafe, 2832 Wilson Blvd. Sign-up times are 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. Bring instruments, fans and friends. Visit www.iotaclubandcafe.com or call 703-522-8340.

Karaoke. 8 p.m. on the first Sunday every month at Galaxy Hut, 2711 Wilson Blvd. Visit www.galaxyhut.com or call 703-525-8646.

Pub Quiz. 8 p.m. every Sunday at Whitlow’s on Wilson, 2854 Wilson Blvd. Prizes for first place. Free. Visit www.whitlows.com or call 703-276-9693.

Storytime. Wednesdays and Fridays, 10:30-11 a.m. at Kinder Haus Toys, 1220 N. Fillmore St. Storytime with Ms. Laura. Call 703-527-5929.

Legs Club. Monthly on the first Wednesday, 4-5 p.m. Glencarlyn Branch Library, 300 S. Kensington St. The library provides tubs of legos and

a special challenge and after the program the creations are displayed for everyone to see. No registration required. Call 703-228-6548 for more.

Crystal City Sparket. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. on Wednesdays at 1900 Crystal Drive. Sparket — A Creative Market is an extension of DC’s Eastern Market with arts, crafts, and handmade goods. Free to attend. Visit www.crystalcity.org.

Open Mic Night. Wednesdays, at 8 p.m., sign ups are at 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m., at Iota Club & Cafe, 2832 Wilson Blvd. Free. Visit www.iotaclubandcafe.com/.

Art for Life. Third Thursday of each month. The Hyatt Regency Crystal City’s “Art for Life” Partnership with National Kidney Foundation brings a new artist each month to The Hyatt for a reception. Free. Visit www.torpedofactory.org.

Brunch at Freddie’s. Third Saturday of every month, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Freddie’s Beach Bar, 555 23rd St. The Arlington Gay and Lesbian Alliance gathers for an all-you-can-eat breakfast buffet (\$9.99). All are welcome. No reservation is required. Visit www.facebook.com/events/700174390103305.

WEDNESDAY/AUG. 30

The Arts Meet and Tour. 5:15-7:15 p.m. at the Arlington Arts Center, 3550 Wilson Blvd. Meet artists Michele Colburn and Dawn

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Whitmore and tour the facility. Visit arlingtonartscenter.org/ for more.

THURSDAY/AUG. 31

Conversation with a Cop. 6-7 p.m. at Don Tito, 3165 Wilson Blvd. An opportunity for those who frequent the Clarendon area to get to know the officers regularly assigned to the weekend Clarendon area. Visit police.arlingtonva.us/ for more.

FRIDAY/SEPT. 1

Fridays at the Fountain. 5-9 p.m. at the fountain across from 1750 Crystal Drive. A different brewery each week and local live music on the Keolis Stage. Entry is free. Every Friday through October. Visit www.crystalcity.org/do/siptember for more.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 3

Blessing of the Backpacks. 10 a.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 2609 N Glebe Road. Students can bring in their empty backpack to the 10 a.m. service. Email office@stmarysarlington.org for more.

Reeves Farmhouse Day. 3-4:30 p.m. at 400 N. Manchester St. Celebrate the birthday of the late Nelson Reeves, music by singer-songwriter Calista Garcia at the Reevesland Learning Center. Visit www.facebook.com/reevesland.

THURSDAY/SEPT. 7

Artists Reception. 5-7 p.m. at the Barry Gallery, located in the Reinsch Library at Marymount University, 2807 North Glebe Road. Artist Ellen Cornett exhibits pastel and charcoal

drawing, producing a body of work based loosely on her interpretations of fairytales and stories. The exhibition will run through Oct. 8. Visit www.marymount.edu/barrygallery for more.

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SATURDAY/SEPT. 9

Art With A Heart. 1-4 p.m. at the Market Common Clarendon, 2800 Clarendon Blvd. Artists doing caricatures, face painting, auction, hosted by Touching Heart of Herndon. Call 703-901-7355 or visit www.touchingheart.com for more.

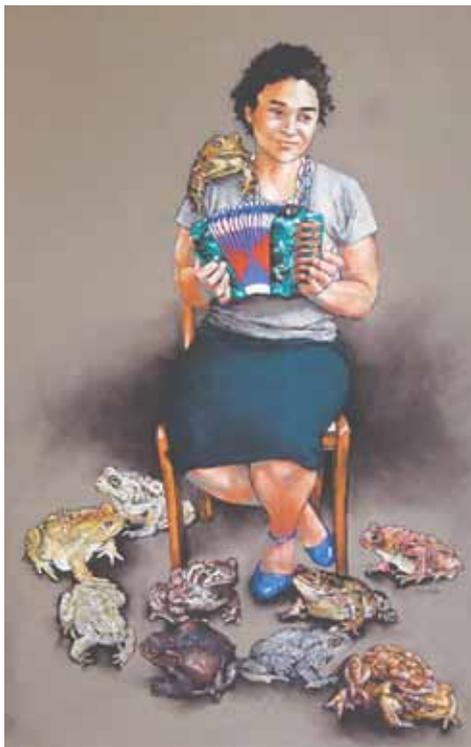
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SATURDAY/SEPT. 10

Sip and Salsa. 2-6 p.m. at the plaza, 220 20th St. S. Wine festival with music from the Salsa Room. Presale tickets are \$20 and \$25 at the door. Visit www.crystalcity.org/do/siptember for more.

SEPT. 9-20

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Art Exhibit

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FRIDAY/SEPT. 15

Fridays at the Fountain. 5-9 p.m. at the fountain across from 1750 Crystal Drive. A different brewery each week and local live music on the Keolis Stage. Entry is free. Every Friday

through October. Visit www.crystalcity.org/do/siptember.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 16

BBQ, Boots and Bingo. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at The Columbus Club of Arlington, 5115 Little Falls Road. Food, entertainment, games, moon bounces, a fire truck, face painting and bingo. Call 703-558-0035.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 17

2017 Bluemont Arlington Run. 8:45 a.m. at the Bluemont Park, 329 N. Manchester St. There will be a 5K and 10K on the Washington & Old Dominion Trail to benefit the EOD Warrior Foundation. Visit .

Sunday Brunch Yoga at the Pub. 9 a.m. at Crystal City Sports Pub, 529 23rd St. S. Hour long, all-levels vinyasa flow followed by drinks at the bar. The \$10 ticket includes a brunch beverage of choice. Takes place every Sunday through December. Visit www.crystalcity.org/do/siptember for more.

Pups and Pilsners. 2-6 p.m. at the plaza, 12th Street S. & Crystal Drive. This dog-friendly festival features a beer garden with craft brews and offerings from local breweries and a number of dog friendly attractions including a fenced dog run. Plan a picnic or grab a bite from a local Crystal City restaurant or on-site food truck. Visit www.crystalcity.org/do/siptember for more.

MONDAY/SEPT. 18

Poetry Mixer. 7-8 p.m. at Shirlington Branch Library, 4200 Campbell Ave. Informal group of local poetry writers write and read original poetry, and exchange constructive criticism. Meets every third Monday except holidays. Call 703-228-6545.

TUESDAY/SEPT. 19

Wine and Food Tasting Party. 6-8:30 p.m. National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, 4301 Wilson Blvd. Sample food, wine and take part in the raffle in support of Arlington Thrive. Visit www.arlingtonrotaryclub.org.



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PEOPLE

'The Devil's Colony' Completes Trilogy

Author unveils unruly nature of Arlington and mankind.

BY ALEXIS CHENEY
THE CONNECTION

Arlington-based author Bill Schweigart ventures outside his comfort zone. Despite suffering from seasickness, Schweigart attended the Coast Guard Academy and served as a Coast Guard officer for five years. One of his classmates at the Academy and fellow Arlingtonian, Mike Naff, said, "Bill was a bit out of his element in the Coast Guard. The military overall isn't for somebody with a creative mind."

Exercising discipline in challenging circumstances prepared Schweigart for his career as an author. Schweigart said, "Even if you feel seasick in the Coast Guard, you still have to go on watch. Likewise, even when the words do not come easily, you — the author — have to write. You must write every day to leave the tap open. If not, the pipes will burst in the winter."

His neighbor and frequent editor, Jill Lammert, said, "Bill is willing to invest the hard work and time to make his writing great."

Schweigart has weathered rough waters on his journey to publication. He recounted his days as a novice writer when he took creative writing courses at Old Dominion University. He said, "My professor and classmates tore apart my first story." The professor required him to listen in silence as the class critiqued his piece for an hour and a half.

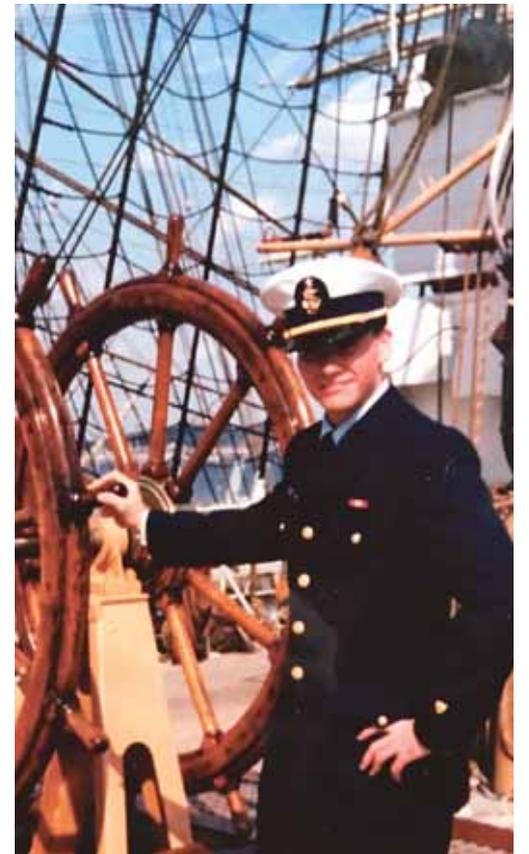
"I would rather do push-ups than go through that again," Schweigart said. Nonetheless, he added, "Those were my most valuable 90 minutes as a writer. At that time, I had a writer's instinct but knew none of the rules."

He eventually learned the ropes and published "Slipping the Cable" in 2012. The book captures elements of Schweigart's experience aboard the cutter "Bear" as a Coast Guard officer. Shortly after writing the semi-autobiographical book, Schweigart journeyed once again into unfamiliar territory: the land of thrillers or, as he calls them, "creature features."

Naff said, "If I had to guess several genres for him to write, a thriller would be the last one. Given that he has a gentle, sensitive side,



Bill Schweigart as an officer aboard the USCGC BEAR in Portsmouth, Va.



Bill Schweigart as a cadet aboard USCGC EAGLE (circa 1991)

Details

Name: Bill Schweigart

Birth Year: 1973 (age 44)

Hometown: Woodbury Heights, N.J.

College: Coast Guard Academy '95

Years Lived in Arlington: 14

Favorite movie: "Jaws"

Favorite Comic Book Author: Brian Michael Bendis

Favorite Authors: Stephen King and Robert McCammon

Favorite Places in Arlington: W&OD Trail and Mt. Vernon Trail

Role model: His father

I would have picked romances over thrillers for him."

Schweigart likewise noted that developing characters' interpersonal relationships comes more naturally to him than graphic scenes. "Conjuring up with the scary parts is hard," he said. He seeks inspiration for the thrills when frequenting his daily haunts.

Arlington's history and trails inspired the first book in Schweigart's "The Fatal Folklore Trilogy" called "The Beast of Barcroft." Sitting in Misha's Coffeehouse in Alexandria, Schweigart came across an article about the 100-year history of the Four Mile Run Trail. While reading the article, he learned of a mysterious animal that killed dozens of cats and dogs in the neighborhood in the 1970s. Residents referred to the animal as "the beast of Barcroft."

Schweigart said, "Arlingtonians supposedly heard screeching at night." The first book in the trilogy features the beast and Schweigart's neighbor who, as he said, "threw off the entire Arlington ecosystem."

Lammert lives in the house described in the book. "It was fun and interesting to learn the history of our house through the book," she said. "We had heard from another neighbor that the former owner of our house rehabilitated raccoons and that, at one point, there were 65 raccoons on the premises. While reading it and learning what Bill experienced, I said



Bill Schweigart at Boccato Cafe in Arlington

to myself, 'Holy moly, I can't believe we live here.'"

Similarly, Naff said, "I really liked 'The Beast of Barcroft' since it is set in Arlington. Bill based the novel on a lot of local trails. The familiarity of the story makes it fun to read."

"The Fatal Folklore Trilogy" also resonates with readers outside of Arlington. The third book in the trilogy, "The Devil's Colony," reveals that the cryptozoological threats scuttering through the first two books stem from a white supremacist camp. Schweigart finished the first draft of "The Devil's Colony" in October 2016, a month before the presidential election. He said, "As the election progressed, I started hearing more about the alternative right, which is a new label for the same old hate. I would have preferred 'The Devil's Colony' to not be as relevant as it is. The story reveals that the greatest monster is man."

"The Devil's Colony" was released on July 11.

"Bill's stories have become progressively less autobiographical. He knows how to spin a story without relying on direct experience," Lammert said. "Really good authors, such as Bill, are skillful storytellers that capture you and engage you, whether or not they play a role in the story."

Schweigart explained that he is currently working on a "new, light sci-fi book with an ass-kicking female protagonist." A romance novel is also on the horizon. Another of Schweigart's classmates at the Coast Guard Academy, Jorge Martinez, said, "Bill has a very creative mind that could take him in any direction."

Although the genre of his next book could vary, one thing is for certain: it will feature Arlington. "Arlington is a great setting for more shenanigans," Schweigart said.

CONNECTION FAMILIES

Time for School

Making the transition from summer to the classroom.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL

As children savor the last days of summer, many families are gearing up for the start of a new school year. From first day anxiety to new bedtime routines, local educators offer suggestions for a seamless transition to the classroom.

"I have always loved the rhythms of the school calendar because of the beginnings and endings and the possibilities for reflection and a chance to refresh and renew..." said Amy L. Best, Ph.D., professor and chair, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, George Mason University. "I think the ritual of back-to-school shopping, whether that means a new binder and notebook, a new backpack, or a pair of new sneakers ... remains important for us because it offers opportunity to think about school anew."

The start of a new school year is an ideal time to help children set reasonable expectations, an important concept for high school students who begin to manage an increasing amount of responsibility and must learn to create a balance in their lives, says Best. "Put things in perspective," she said. "Sometimes the goals [that are] focused on personal growth, like learning how to advocate for yourself with a teacher, or navigating the halls, are as important as identifying academic milestones."

"It's useful to revisit points of struggle and perhaps more importantly, triumphs from the previous year. Reminding a student how they successfully managed a difficult issue is helpful," said Best.

Gone are the days of staying up late and sleeping in the next day. A healthy bedtime routine must be re-established gradually, advises Sean Aiken, head of school, BASIS Independent McLean.

"Consider easing into the early morning routine by adjusting your sleep schedules several days before school starts with progressively earlier wake up times," said Aiken. "Building the routine before the first day of school will help the adjustment on day one."

"In the week before the school year begins, families should revisit the expectations for bedtimes and morning routines and choose an evening and following morning to practice the routines," said Jalene Spain Thomas, Lower School Director St. Stephen's and St. Agnes School in Alexandria. "Children will appreciate knowing that the new routine for this school year includes a slightly later bedtime or more time for independent reading or shared reading with a parent."

For younger students, separation anxiety may become an issue as they move into a parent-free environment each day, says Aiken. "In these cases, contact the school and establish a go-to adult for your child to talk to in the event they miss you too much during the day," he said.

Focusing on the positives about a child's school environment can help ease anxiety. "Younger students may want to draw a picture of what they think their new classroom will look like," said Thomas. "Older students may enjoy writing a list of what they hope to accomplish in the school year that the family opens together in January."

Start with an organized workspace and shared family calendar to keep the family organized from day one, advises Aiken. "Folders and binders for home organizational systems are just as important as those your child will bring to school," he said. "Post a large calendar in a common area of the home so early due dates, back to school nights, and extracurricular activities can be seen by everyone in the family."

"Parents, remember to take some time for yourselves in those early days, too," said Aiken. "You've worked hard all summer arranging camps, play dates, and other great activities. Maybe it's time to take a long lunch break together or catch a cheap matinee once you're safely assured that you children are off and running in their new learning adventures."



PHOTO BY MARILYN CAMPBELL

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Activists rally outside Arlington County offices.

Rallying for Immigrant Protections

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proximately 750,000 people currently in the DACA program would be over \$60 billion to the federal government along with a \$280 billion reduction in economic growth over the next decade," the report stated. "Since DACA applicants pay their own processing fees, the program itself does not have an administrative cost, and so the only costs we need to evaluate are those that stem from having these people in the country in the first place. We submit that any such costs are far outweighed by the benefits that come from immigrants who are able to work openly and legally, pay taxes, support entitlement programs, create jobs, innovate, and sire children who will one day do the same.

"The deportation of DACA participants would cost the American economy billions of dollars, as well as billions of tax dollars foregone, while doing little to address the true concerns that Americans may have about unauthorized immigrants."

"We're here to ask congress to pass a permanent legislative solution," said Amberman.

Amberman pointed to economic benefits of having a new, young workforce in a rapidly aging American population. This was one of the reasons Norma Kacen, an 82-year-old Arlingtonian, came out to support Rise Up. Kacen is one of the cofounders of NOVA Friends of Refugees.

"We as a country need DACA to promote a flourishing economy," said Kacen. "Open your eyes, open your ears, recognize the benefit to us that's coming. It's more than a question of morality, although it is that too. It's a question of economics."

Kacen also says her support of immigrants and refugees is rooted in her own family's experience. Kacen was born and raised in a tight-knit Italian immigrant community. Her family was imported to work on the railroad and faced discrimination.

"I've seen the pain of being belittled and humiliated," said Kacen, "and I've seen the contributions of immigrants to this nation."

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Suspect Arrested

An Arlington man has been arrested and charged for involvement in a shooting in the 1000 block of S. Frederick Street. Nicholas Nichols, 24, of Arlington, was arrested



and charged with aggravated malicious wounding, possession of a firearm in commission of a felony and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. He is being held in the Arlington County Detention Facility on no bond. At approximately 7:04 a.m. on Aug. 23, Arlington County Police officers were dispatched to the 1000 block of S. Frederick Street for the report of a shooting. Arriving officers located one male victim suffering from a gunshot wound. The 26-year-old victim was transported by Fairfax County medics to George Washington University Hospital with serious but non-life threatening injuries. The investigation determined that the shooting occurred following an altercation between known acquaintances. The suspect fled the area prior to police arrival. At approximately 9:37 p.m. on Aug. 23, police were dispatched to the 3700 block of Columbia Pike for the report of a brandishing. Upon arrival, it was determined a male suspect brandished a firearm during a dispute with a known female victim. The suspect fled the area on foot prior to police arrival. During the course of the investigation, it was determined that the suspect in the brandishing was the suspect in the earlier shooting in the 1000 block of S. Frederick Street.

A perimeter was established and the Fairfax County Police Helicopter Unit responded to aid in the search. Officers from the Arlington County Police TAC Unit located the suspect in the area of S. Hayes Street and 12th Street S. and took him into custody without incident as he attempted to board a bus.

The investigation into this incident is ongoing. Anyone with information about this investigation is asked to contact Detective J. Trainer of the Arlington County Police Department's Homicide/Robbery Unit at 703-228-4185 or jtrain@arlingtonva.us. Information may also be provided anonymously through the Arlington County Crime Solvers hotline at 1-866-411-TIPS (8477).

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Bathroom Humor



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

I write this column in all sincerity, but what are you asking me for? A rhetorical question if there ever was one. To what I refer is the question I was asked earlier this morning by one of the home-improvement tradesman working on my upstairs bathroom. Having made significant progress on the bathroom in the five weeks or so since I published "And So It Begins," a column detailing the few facts I retained about the demolition/renovation and the anxiety I felt about it, today's task was waterproofing the shower enclosure/bathroom floor in preparation for the tile, if I understand correctly. Now, as further context, I know very little about home improvement (car repairs, computer technology, lawn and garden; shall I go on?). Moreover, I know very little Spanish. Combine the two, as happened this morning, and you are asking (literally) for trouble.

The waterproofing man arrived at 8:45 a.m. The day before, his boss/presumably the owner, had stopped by for a walk-through and to drop off materials for the job. I thought I would see him again, I was wrong. The only person on the job is the person whose English is better than my Spanish and the only Spanish I know, I know from a cartoon character, "Speedy Gonzales, the fastest mouse in all of Mexico," I grew up watching on Saturday-morning television. After directing him to the upstairs bathroom, within a few minutes, the man walked downstairs and asked/motioned for me to follow him back upstairs, I figured there was likely a question that needed answering so immediately I got off the couch to assist.

Once we were both inside the bathroom, he started pointing to the walls (front, back and sides), ceiling, niche and planned-for bench within the enclosure, to ask for - so far as I could understand, what needed to be waterproofed (I'll spare you any details about the process since I'm unlikely to do so accurately). Now, other than asking the project manager Simple-Simon-type questions about what is going on, what has gone on (literally and figuratively) and what is planned to be going on, I am out of any kind of loop. The workmen come in. I point them upstairs. Then I go into my office and mind my own business. I rarely check their progress. Generally speaking, I only look to see what's been done after they've left. I am not in anybody's way and I don't serve as any kind of resource other than answering the most basic questions: "Is that the basement door?" "Do you mind if we shut off the water?" "Is there a hardware store nearby?" As such, I am the least-bit helpful.

The man working today is new to me/the project. He's not been here before. But I did open the door to let him in and I did direct him to the upstairs bathroom. For all he knows/has experienced so far, I seem to be somewhat helpful. Ergo, after a bit, rather than calling his boss, he came back downstairs to solicit my help. Limited though I knew it would be, I was happy to try. As the conversation began, it became clear to me that not only did I not know what he was talking about (job wise), I couldn't even understand what it was that he was saying. I was lost in translation and lost in intention. As I attempted to answer/explain/guess what he was asking while we were both pointing/gesturing/talking, I quickly realized that this was a language match not made in heaven. Nevertheless, we eventually came to some sort of an understanding of the task at hand and back downstairs I went.

Sitting on the couch, I began to feel uncomfortable about the instructions I think I had just given/agreed to. As a result, I considered calling my project manager at home on a Saturday morning to get some clarity/confirmation about what I think had just transpired upstairs. Not at all bothered by my weekend intrusion, and after listening to a condensed version of this column, Stefan assured me that what seemed to be happening here was supposed to be happening.

And here I thought outliving my lung cancer prognosis by six-plus years was a miracle.

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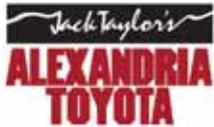
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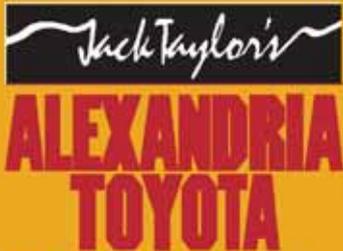
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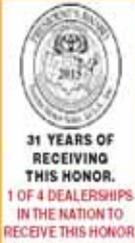
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