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Russell Whiteaker works on preparing donations of blood for the separation process at the INOVA Blood Donor Services center near the Dulles Town Center on Sunday. The Dulles site is the only INOVA blood donor center open on Sundays.

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Need for Blood Keeps Growing

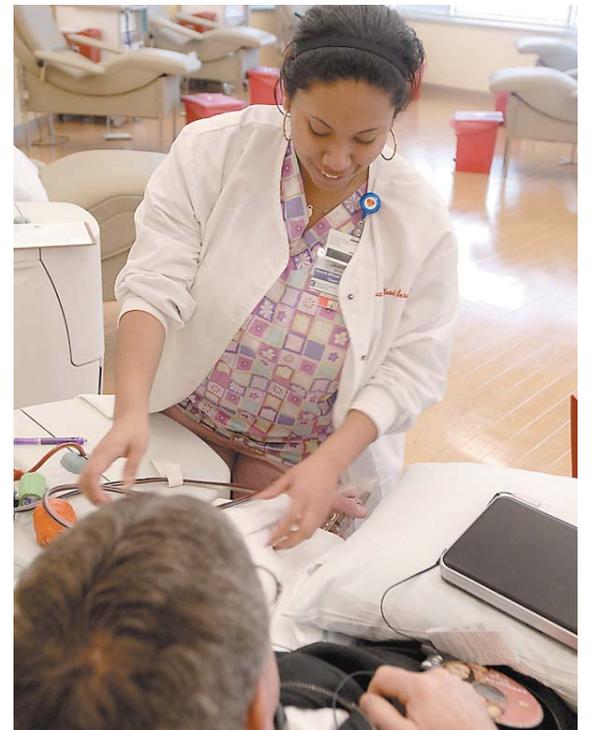


The INOVA Blood Donor Services center at the Dulles Town Center is one of five INOVA blood donor centers in the area and offer services 7-days-a-week and 24-hours-a-day. Other centers are located at the Woodburn Center in Annandale, the INOVA Alexandria Hospital, the INOVA Mount Vernon Hospital, and the CentreMed Donor Center in Centreville. The INOVA blood centers supply blood and plasma to hospitals around the Washington D.C. metro area. Information about donating blood or scheduling a blood drive can be reached by calling 1-866-bloodsaves (866-256-6372).



Clive King of Sterling says he donates blood at the INOVA Blood Donor Services center at the Dulles Town Center about every two-weeks when he is able to. "My goal this year is to donate 24 times," said King. "I started donating because a family friend has cancer and my donation goes to her. There are too many people who need this, to not to donate. I wish more people could do this."

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Jeannette Anderson of Charleston, W.Va., works at the INOVA Blood Donor Services center at the Dulles Town Center on Sunday.



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Overcoming Barriers

High ethnic numbers necessitate cultural lessons.

BY ANDREA ZENTZ
THE CONNECTION

Nearly one quarter of Loudoun County's residents are immigrants, necessitating a first — cultural diversity training for more than 150 deputy sheriffs.

"Our ethnic and racial makeup has changed dramatically in seven years," said Catherine Motivans, Loudoun's Multilingual Resource Program coordinator. "It [the training] will provide for a safer community."

Loudoun County's population grew 59.8 percent between 2000 and 2007, with 24.9 percent of the estimated 271,069 residents in 2007 speaking languages other than English. The data are based on the 2007 Census Bureau American Community Survey. (The 2008 population estimate for Loudoun County is 278,591.)

The largest number of immigrants in Loudoun County came from the continent of Asia, which includes India and other countries. The second largest was from El Salvador, with Vietnam third. The survey said 11.3 percent of Loudoun's population over the age of 5 spoke limited English in 2007. Language comparisons for 2008 were not complete.

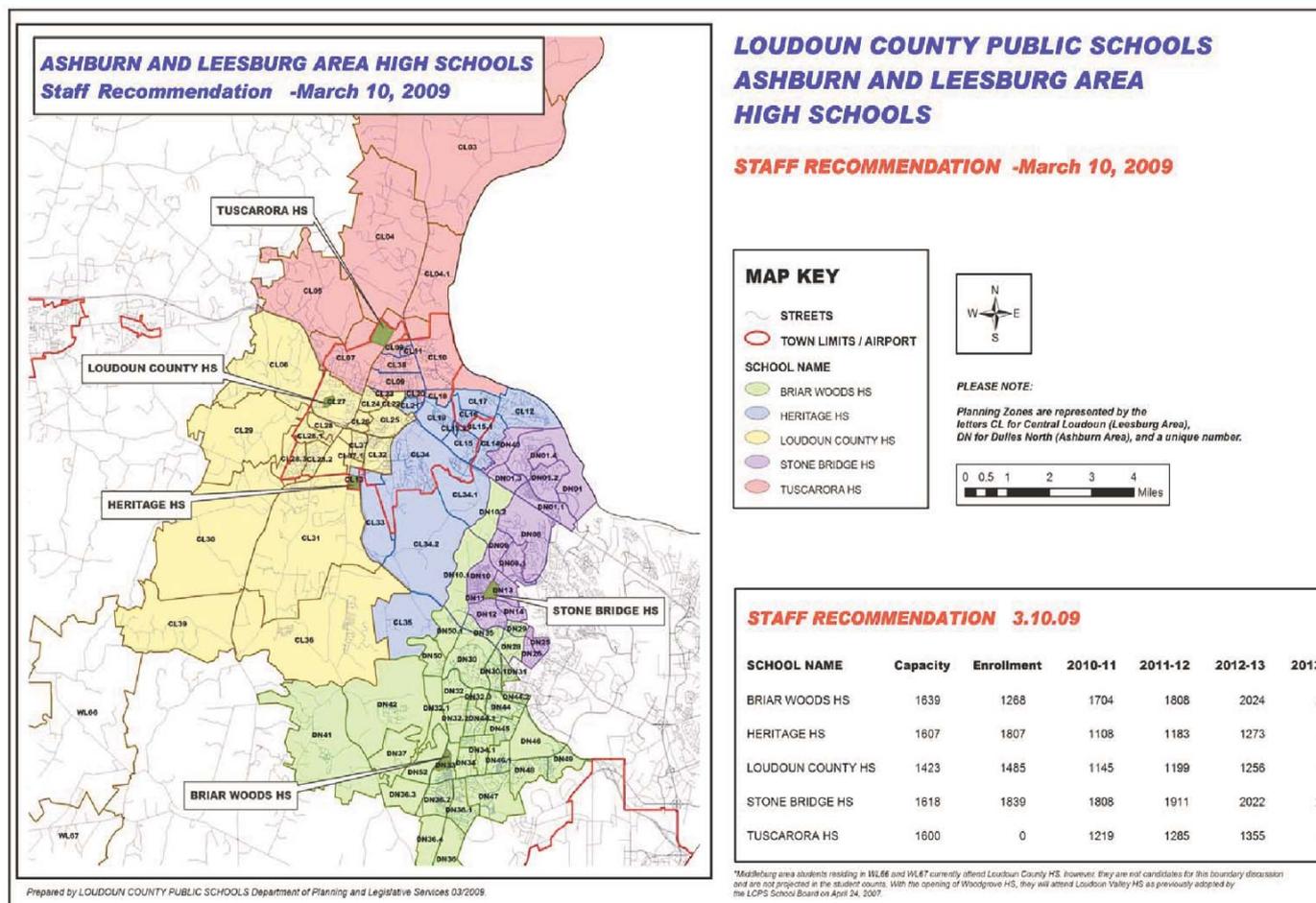
MOTIVANS SAID the Multilingual Resource Program has provided cultural diversity instruction and/or interpreter training to about 650 county employees, including the deputies.

Rajendra Pillai, president of Potential in Diversity in Clarksburg, Md.,

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Limited English Proficiency

A person who cannot speak, read, write or understand the English language at a level that permits them to interact effectively with Loudoun County employees.



This map shows the recommended boundary changes to the Ashburn area high schools.

Enrollments Push Boundary Changes

School Board receives recommendations on adjusting boundaries for Ashburn middle and high schools.

BY JUSTIN FANIZZI
THE CONNECTION

The school system's Department of Planning and Legislative Services presented their recommendations for new boundaries for the Ashburn area to the School Board at the Board's second Tuesday meeting March 10.

Dr. Sam Adamo, director of the Department of Planning and Legislative Services, made the recommendations in response to not only the current overcrowding at several area middle and high schools, but also due to the department's enrollment projections that show the problem getting worse with time.

"We are looking at some fairly significant enrollments, particularly in the Ashburn/Dulles South area over the next few years," Adamo said. "That is one of the reasons, without having a backup, we took a look at middle schools that were potentially involved not only at that level but also at the high school [level]."

ACCORDING TO ADAMO, the overcrowding of local middle schools was the impetus for the acquisition of the land for the new, unnamed middle school (MS-5) planned to be built on Braddock Road, just south of South Riding, and the acquisition of this land raised the need for the boundary changes. However, the boundary

Speak Up

The School Board is holding two public hearings on the recommended school boundaries. The hearings are scheduled for Monday, March 23 and Wednesday, March 25. Both hearings will start at 6:30 p.m. and will be held at the LCPS Administration Building, located at 21000 Education Court, Ashburn. Also, go to www.loudoun.k12.va.us and click on the "Planning and Legislative Services" link on the left side of the homepage to see enrollment projections and maps of the recommended boundary changes.

changes for the Ashburn area are fairly insignificant this year, as Adamo said that the staff was waiting to make significant changes until the construction of MS-5 was completed.

"I am somewhat pleased to report that a lot of what you have seen previously will be familiar to you [again this year]," Adamo said.

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Deputies Arrest Three in Home Invasion

Three men were arrested Monday, March 9, in connection with a home invasion in Ashburn. All three were charged with robbery and kidnapping and are being held without bond at the Loudoun County Adult Detention Center.

Around 5 p.m. Tuesday, March 10, Loudoun Sheriff's Deputies responded to

the 21380 block of Shady Wood Terrace for a report of a home invasion. The victim told authorities that a female knocked on the door of their residence. When they answered the door several men entered and brandished what was later determined to be a BB gun.

Inside the suspects restrained the victim

and removed jewelry, cash, a cell phone, and a laptop computer from the home. The suspects were identified and three men were taken into custody.

Members of the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Division continue to investigate and further charges are possible.



PHOTO BY JENNIFER LESINSKI/THE CONNECTION

The residents of Ashby Ponds gather for their weekly happy hour before dinner.

Residents Create Own Home Style

Retirees make community their own.

BY JENNIFER LESINSKI
THE CONNECTION

When John and Dottie Kraft moved into their new home at Ashby Ponds in October, they wasted no time leaving their mark on the place. The couple, who were active in their previous condo community, helped start a library, created social hours — coffee on Wednesdays, happy hour on Fridays — a book club, social bridge and a writing group.

“This is home for the next 30 years, might as well make it what I want,” Dottie Kraft said at a recent happy hour. “We’ve transplanted ideas from our condo. We felt that if people got to know other people they would feel as good about the community as we do.”

ASHBY PONDS retirement community in Ashburn opened in September 2008 and has 320 residents. A 32-acre Erickson Retirement Community, it is planned to have about 2,000-2,100 residents when completely finished. The residents live in apartments and the minimum age is 62. Once completed, the community will have independent living and continuing care options.

For now, Ashby Ponds provides independent living only. And the residents are encouraged to do what they can to make the community their own.

“Somebody comes up with a concept, pre-

sents it to resident life and resident life provides help to get it off the ground,” said Jason Connors, public relations manager for Erickson. “Then the residents take it over. I think it is really beneficial. This isn’t a nursing home. We don’t have an activities director saying to get out of your room. Here the residents do it.”

To that end, the residents have created several groups ranging from bridge, chess and knitting to “Ladies Out to Lunch,” meditation and Mexican train dominos.

“I like to interact with people and the more humor, the better,” Emmett Dunsmore said at happy hour. “People sit home alone about 20 years and move here and don’t know how to act in a group. I try to find those people and make them have dinner with us. It’s so important to interact with people.”

Dunsmore said he, the Krafts and a core group of fast friends, randomly invite people who are alone to eat with them. The group pulls tables together in the dining room, removes the tablecloth and holds court for anyone to join in the fun.

“It’s informal,” Dunsmore said. “We’ve had a lot of success.”

The Friday happy hours, like many of the new activities, have been attracting new visitors each week. The first happy hour, which consists of a cash bar before dinner is served in the dining room, had three people. Recently it attracted a couple dozen.

“We’re encouraged to use our talents.”

— Jane Wilson,
Ashby Ponds resident

More

For more information about Ashby Ponds, visit <http://www.ericksoncommunities.com/apl>.

“You’re never alone here,” Dunsmore said.

JANE WILSON joins the happy hour crew, but her real passion is gardening and the library. She is in process of getting a gardening group under way at the community. The residents will be able to create little gardens on their balconies and also do bigger landscaping jobs on the community grounds. The group will also have visits from the Loudoun County Master Gardeners and take garden-related trips.

“It gives people a chance to do what they did in their homes,” Wilson said. “The philosophy here [at Ashby Ponds] is make it your own, make your own activities. We’re encouraged to use our talents.”

The nature of Ashby Ponds creates the feel of a close-knit neighborhood and makes it easier for residents to get out and try new things.

“If you are in a single-family home, it’s a lot of work to get out and do something,” Natalie Margiotta said. “In a community like this, it’s easier.”

Margiotta started the Ladies Out to Lunch group to encourage camaraderie and to get people out and about in the community at large.

“The dynamic is different when it is just women,” she said. “We get out; we get to know each other.

“I don’t want to lock myself in my apartment. I don’t want to be a stump.”

Cultural Competence

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led the final deputy sheriff’s workshop Sunday, March 15, with a reference to the Civil Rights law prohibiting discrimination. He showed a DVD depicting a Hispanic woman who needed medical assistance for her granddaughter but the emergency operator could not speak Spanish.

He asked deputies to describe cultural problems that they had encountered in the field. Deputy Specialist Matt Bresser said he had watched immigrants nod their heads in agreement when they did not actually understand what was being said. Likewise, Deputy Sean McCormack said he learned that an immigrant shaking his head, “No” does not necessarily mean he is disagreeing with authorities. “This clarified some things I’ve misinterpreted before,” he said after the workshop.

Pillai described several cultural traits with the caveat, “We are not trying to endorse any stereotypes here.”

He said persons of Vietnamese descent consider it rude to point an index finger or yell at a person. The immigrants are known to speak low and dislike saying, “No.”

After the workshop, Motivans said Americans might pat a child on the head as a sign of praise or affection, but the Vietnamese would be upset if the gesture was used on them.

Pillai told the deputies that Koreans as very polite people who give their elders a great deal of respect. He said these immigrants are apt to laugh excessively when they are embarrassed and do not like being mistaken for each other.

CENTRAL AND SOUTH Americans are extremely fearful of police, Pillai said. Some believe that law enforcement officials carry negative stereotypes about Hispanic or Latino people, he added.

In the case of El Salvadorians, that fear may often be based on the corruption in their own country’s police force, Motivans said.

Pillai warned the deputies not to assume that people who speak Spanish are from Mexico, because most take pride in their own distinct national and ethnic heritage. He also warned against relying on children within a family to serve as interpreters, unless the situation is an emergency. A child might not have a thorough understanding of a complex issue and misinterpret the information, leading to legal problems.

Pillai also reviewed the Sikh religion and its five articles of faith, Kes (unshorn hair), Kangha (comb), Kara (steel bracelet), Kirpan (sword), and Kachh (soldier’s shorts). State and lo

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NEWS



Apprentice Challenge Students from Stone Bridge High School's Future Business Leaders of America Chapter (FBLA) will host the second annual Apprentice Challenge in the form of a food concession stand. The club's 11 officers have challenged the membership in this competition modeled after the TV show. The food sale will take place on Thursday, March 26 at March Madness 3 on 3 Tournament (5 - 6 p.m.) and the 5th annual Stone Bridge Faculty vs. MWAA (Metropolitan Washington Airport Authority) basketball game (6- 7:30 p.m.). All proceeds will go to the March of Dimes. Donations will be accepted for the charity and there is a \$1 donation for entrance to the game.

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Landfill Lessons Members of Cub Scout Pack 1158 from Ashburn recently attended a driving tour at the Loudoun County landfill to see where their garbage goes and to learn more about recycling. The Loudoun County landfill is located at 21101 Evergreen Mills Road, Leesburg, and is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Saturday. Any group that is interested in touring the landfill should contact Tony Hayes of the Office of Solid Waste Management at 703-771-5514.

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TEEN NIGHT. 6:30-9:30 p.m., Claude Moore Recreation Center, 46105 Loudoun Park Lane, Sterling. Ages 11-14. Teen Night is a weekly, supervised recreational program for middle-school students. Admission covers planned activities, pizza and drinks. Required paperwork at www.loudoun.gov/prcs. Parents must sign for teens upon arrival and departure. Call 571-258-3600 or e-mail sharon.kilpatrick@loudoun.gov. Cost: \$5.

Theater Performance. 7:30 p.m. at Broad Run High School, 21670 Ashburn Road. Watch "The Fantasticks." \$10/adult. 571-252-2305 for tickets.

MOMS Club. 10:30 a.m. at Cascades Library. Enjoy a toddler yoga demo and more. Free. Visit www.geocities.com/sterlingmomsclub.

SATURDAY/MARCH 21

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Casino Royale Night & Silent Auction. 7:30-11 p.m. at Dulles Airport Marriott Hotel. Cocktail attire. \$49/person. Visit www.BWHScasino.com for more.

Author Reading. 5 p.m. at the GW Virginia Campus, 44983 Knoll Square, Ashburn. Edward P. Jones will read from "The Known World." RSVP to 703-726-3650.



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BLUEGRASS JAM. 2:30-4:30 p.m., Loudoun Heritage Farm Museum, 21668 Heritage Farm Lane, Sterling. Join musicians from the region in an afternoon of music. Refreshments provided. Cost: \$5 adults, \$4 senior, \$3 child age 2-12, free for those who bring a musical instrument. Call 571-258-3800 or visit www.heritagefarmmuseum.org.

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TUESDAY/MARCH 24

SENIOR TRIP. The Senior Center at Cascades Marketplace, 21060 Whitfield Place, will take a trip Washington, D.C., to visit the Smithsonian museums. Drop-offs and pick-ups at the American History, Natural History, Gallery of Art, American Indian, Air and Space and African Art/Freer/Hirshhorn/Sakler museums. Lunch on own. Cost: \$9 for members, \$11 for nonmembers, includes transportation and free

Library, 43316 Hay Road, Ashburn. BikeLoudoun, a county bicycle advocacy group, will meet. All are welcome. Call Pat Turner at 703-444-4199.

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admission. Extensive walking. Call 703-430-2397 for departure and return times and locations.

WOOLGATGHERING. 6 p.m., Sterling Library, 120 Enterprise St., Sterling. Bring needles and yarn. All levels are welcome. In March, the group will make socks. Ages 12 and up. Visit library.loudoun.gov.

DR. SEUSS' BIRTHDAY. 4 p.m., Sterling Library, 120 Enterprise St., Sterling. Celebrate Dr. Seuss' 104th birthday with books, songs and more. For ages 6-11. Visit library.loudoun.gov.

RHYTHM, RHYME AND TUNE TIME. 11:15 a.m., Ashburn Library, 43316 Hay Road, Ashburn. Sing, chant, play instruments and move creatively while exploring the sounds, rhythms and patterns that make up our language. Session runs Mondays, March 2-April 6. Recommended for ages 0-4 with a parent or caregiver. Registration, by lottery, is open from Feb. 17-22. Call 703-737-8100.

Diabetes Alert Day. Inova Diabetes Center at Inova Loudoun Hospital can learn how to stay safe with diabetes by visiting the center. Visit www.diabetes.org/alert or 703-858-6358.

WEDNESDAY/MARCH 25

SENIOR TRIP. The Senior Center at Cascades Marketplace, 21060 Whitfield Place, will take a trip Gettysburg, Pa., to visit the Gettysburg Museum and tour the David Wills House, includes the film, "A New Birth of Freedom" followed by the "Battle of Gettysburg" cyclorama. Lunch on own. Cost: \$24 for members, \$26 for nonmembers, includes transportation, film/cyclorama, museum and tour. Extensive walking. Call 703-430-2397 for departure and return times and locations.

CASINO TRIP. The Senior Center at Cascades Marketplace, 21060 Whitfield Place, will take a trip to

MONDAY/APRIL 6

ADULT BOOK CLUB. 7 p.m., Ashburn Library, 43316 Hay Road, Ashburn. The group will discuss "Skeletons at the Feast" by Chris Bohjalian. Call 703-737-8100.

WEDNESDAY/APRIL 8

MAGIC TREE HOUSE BOOK CLUB. 4 p.m., Ashburn Library, 43316 Hay Road, Ashburn. Ages 7-9. Registration begins two weeks before the program. Selection: "Tonight on the Titanic" by Mary Pope Osborne. Register by phone 703-737-8100 or online at <http://library.loudoun.gov>.

THURSDAY/APRIL 9

MIDDLE SCHOOL BOOK CLUB. 7 p.m., Ashburn Library, 43316 Hay Road, Ashburn. The Middle School Book Club will meet to discuss "Cupboards" by N.D. Wilson. Visit library.loudoun.gov.

THURSDAY/APRIL 16

KIDS EXPLORE BOOK CLUB. 4 p.m., Ashburn Library, 43316 Hay Road, Ashburn. Ages 6-8. Registration begins two weeks before the program. Selection: "Waiting for Wings" by Lois Ehlert. Register by phone 703-737-8100 or online at <http://library.loudoun.gov>.

TUESDAY/APRIL 21

ADULT BOOK CLUB. 10 a.m., Ashburn Library, 43316 Hay Road, Ashburn. The group will discuss "The Third Angel" by Alice Hoffman. Call 703-737-8100.

Charles Town, W.Va. Includes slots and simulcast horse racing; lunch on own. Cost: \$8 for members, \$10 for nonmembers, includes transportation and \$5 cash back, subject to change. Minimum walking. Call 703-430-2397 for departure and return times and locations.

THURSDAY/MARCH 26

Theater Performance. 7:30 p.m. at Broad Run High School, 21670 Ashburn Road. Watch "The Fantasticks." \$10/adult. 571-252-2305 for tickets.

FRIDAY/MARCH 27

SENIOR TRIP. The Senior Center at Cascades Marketplace, 21060 Whitfield Place, will take a trip to Washington, D.C., to visit the Washington Navy Yard Museum. Lunch on own. Cost: \$8 for members, \$10 for nonmembers, includes transportation and free admission. Extensive walking. Photo identification required. Call 703-430-2397 for departure and return times and locations.

AFTER HOURS TEEN CENTER. 7-10 p.m., Cascades Library, 21030 Whitfield Place, Potomac Falls. "Gamers' Night." All teens attending the After Hours Teen Center must have a permission slip, signed by a parent or guardian, on file. Download the permission slip at <http://library.loudoun.gov> go to Teen Scene>Events>Hanging Out Rocks.

TEEN NIGHT. 6:30-9:30 p.m., Claude Moore Recreation Center, 46105 Loudoun Park Lane, Sterling. Ages 11-14. Teen Night is a weekly, supervised recreational program for middle-school students. Admission covers planned activities, pizza and drinks. Required paperwork can be downloaded from www.loudoun.gov/prcs. Parents must sign for teens upon arrival and departure. Call 571-258-3600 or e-mail

sharon.kilpatrick@loudoun.gov. Cost: \$5.

POTOMAC JAZZ. 7-10 p.m., Sala Thai, 44640 Waxpool Road, Ashburn. The PJP Duo with Brian Litz on guitar will perform live. Call 703-966-9677.

Theater Performance. 7:30 p.m. at Broad Run High School, 21670 Ashburn Road. Watch "The Fantasticks." \$10/adult. 571-252-2305 for tickets.

Author Talk. 7:30 p.m. at American Legion Post 270, 1355 Balls Hill Road, McLean. Frans Stiene will discuss the book. Free. 703-648-1866.

SATURDAY/MARCH 28

WAR OF 1812. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Claude Moore Park, 21544 Old Vestal's Gap Road, Sterling. Join a recruiting party of the 12th United States Infantry Regiment at the Lanesville House, enlisting civilians to join the army during the War of 1812. The house will be utilized as an "ordinary" and post office as it did in the early 1800s and re-enactors will demonstrate military and civilian life. Cost: \$3 person. Call 571-258-3700 or visit www.12thinfantry.org.

PROM WISHES. 9 a.m.-12 p.m., Courtyard Marriott Dulles Town Center, 45500 Majestic Drive, Dulles. The Junior Woman's Club of Loudoun is hosting "Prom Wishes," where all local girls can be outfitted for prom free of charge. Visit www.jwcl.org or e-mail promwishes@jwcl.org.

CHILD CARE AND RESOURCE FAIR. 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Ida Lee Park Recreation Center, 60 Ida Lee Drive, Leesburg. This annual event focuses on helping parents find quality child care and family resources in the community. Call 703-771-5836 or visit www.loudoun.gov/childcarefair.

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Music. 2 p.m. at Ashburn Library, 43316

Hay Road. Hear Maddy O'Neill-Dean combine songs, instrument and more for children up to age 5. Free. 703-737-8100 to register.

Fun Events. 9 a.m. at Brambleton development. Enjoy a 2-mile walk. Children can then enjoy moonbounce and more. \$10/person and \$15/family. Pre-registration at stepsistersminiwalk@gmail.com.

SUNDAY/MARCH 29

Theater Performance. 2 p.m. at Broad Run High School, 21670 Ashburn Road. Watch "The Fantasticks." \$10/adult. 571-252-2305 for tickets.

Paws to Read. 2 p.m. at Ashburn Library, 43316 Hay Road. Children, dogs and books come together. Register a child to read to a certified therapy dog. 703-737-8100.

TUESDAY/MARCH 31

Spring Lullaby Concert. 7 p.m. at Cascades Library, 21030 Whitfield Place. Children ages 2-6 can enjoy stories accompanied by flute. Visit <http://library.loudoun.gov> for more information.

WEDNESDAY/APRIL 1

Park View Spirit Night. Portion of proceeds at Sterling/Cascades Outback will benefit Park View PTA. See a Park View student for a coupon or pick one up at PVHS.

FRIDAY/APRIL 3

AFTER HOURS TEEN CENTER. 7-10 p.m., Cascades Library, 21030 Whitfield Place, Potomac Falls. "Draw Manga." All teens attending the After Hours Teen Center must have a permission slip, signed by a parent or guardian, on file. Download the permission slip at <http://library.loudoun.gov> go to Teen Scene>Events>Hanging Out Rocks.

THE ARTS

Send announcements to loudoun@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Friday, two weeks prior to event; photos/artwork encouraged.

Art on exhibit at the libraries for **March and April** include at Ashburn Library, 43316 Hay Road, March: art by the students of The Boyd School in celebration of Youth Art Month and March and April: watercolor paintings by Alice Power; and at Cascades Library, 21030 Whitfield Place, Potomac Falls, nature photography by Jim Emery.

A varied and colorful collection of **fabric art** created by 11 members of the New Image Group will be on exhibit at

Gallery 222, **through March 28**. Several members will be present for a Gallery Talk March 22, at 3 p.m. Contact Gallery 222 at www.gallery222.com or 703-777-5498; Gallery 222 is located at 222 South King St., downtown Leesburg.

Paintings by Sterling artist **Tom Zuk** will be on display in Gallery Two at Gallery 222 in Leesburg. The exhibit, Earth, Wind and Water, will be on display **through March 28**. Gallery Two is collocated with Gallery 222, 222 South King St., Leesburg. Call 703-777-5498 or visit www.gallery222.com.

Neorealist **Sherry Zvares Sanabria's** paintings from the series,

"Unforgotten: Slave Quarters and Other African American Sites" will be on display **through March 23**, at George Washington University Virginia Campus, Building 2, 44983 Knoll Square, Ashburn. Complimenting the Sanabria exhibit, Honoring and Commemorating Black Leadership is a selection of the artwork chosen or commissioned by the U.S. Postal Service, will be on display **through March 23**.

Monotype and relief prints by **Heather Self** will be on exhibit from **through March 27** in the Waddell Art Gallery at the Loudoun Campus of NVCC, 1000 Harry Flood Byrd Highway, Sterling.

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Stone Bridge Rocks DeMatha in Opener

Defending Liberty champs are set to host McLean this Friday night.

BY RICH SANDERS
THE CONNECTION

The Stone Bridge High baseball team got off to an impressive start with a season-opening 11-0 win over visiting DeMatha High (Hyattsville, Md.) on Monday evening. The non-league contest took place in drizzling, cool conditions at Stone Bridge's home campus diamond in Ashburn.

Stone Bridge, coming off a season last year in which it went 20-4 and captured the Liberty District regular season and tournament titles, is looking for another big season this spring. And the lopsided triumph over the Stags, who are always one of the better teams in the tough WCAC private school league, was a good start.

"We played real well, and we played good defense," said Stone Bridge coach Sam Plank, of the season opener win.

Stone Bridge, which a year ago saw its season end with a second round loss to Oakton at the 16-team Northern Region tournament, jumped all over DeMatha for eight runs in the bottom of the second inning to take an 8-0 lead.

In the third, the Bulldogs tacked on three more to make it 11-0. That was more than enough offensive firepower for the home team as neither team scored over the game's



Stone Bridge coach Sam Plank (right) has a talented, experienced squad this spring.

final four innings.

BULLDOG STARTING pitcher Nick Fialdini, a senior, earned the win, tossing three no-hit innings in his brief stint. He walked two and struck out three.

"He throws the ball from the middle to upper 80s," said Plank, of Fialdini's heater. "We're counting on him to step up big. He's the ace of our staff."

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— Stone Bridge Coach Sam Plank, on Win Over the Stags

of the win into this Friday night's Liberty District home game against McLean, which is coming off a 17-8 season a year ago. In last spring's district tournament semifinals, the Bulldogs defeated the Highlanders, 2-0.

STONE BRIDGE has 11 seniors on its roster this spring. One of those 12th graders is center fielder Bladel, last year's District

Player of the Year. A third-year starter in the outfield, Bladel will also be utilized as the Stone Bridge pitching closer out of the bullpen.

"He's an incredible athlete with incredible arm strength," said Plank, of Bladel's all-around game. "He hits for average and power. [On the mound] he's throwing the ball real hard. He hardly pitched last year. He's been a very pleasant surprise."

Other key senior players include Prince, a third year starting outfielder who earned Second Team All-District recognition last year, and Thompson (4 home runs last year), who made First Team All-District as a junior.

In a couple of weeks, Stone Bridge will travel to Charleston, S.C. for a spring break trip. There, the Bulldogs will compete at the Hitt Tournament. Stone Bridge will play a team from Southwest Miami in its first game on April 6 before playing a double-header the following day against Hedgesville, West Va. and Wando, S.C. In all, Stone Bridge will play four games in Charleston before returning home on April 8.

Relievers Ryan Cummings and Taylor Tice each threw shutout ball out of the bullpen for the Bulldogs.

At the plate, Stone Bridge first baseman Patrick Thompson (2 RBIs) and shortstop Pat Piccolo (3 RBIs) both had two hits. Also, center fielder Johnny Bladel knocked an RBI triple, leadoff batter Spenser Rositano had a base hit and two RBIs, and Michael Prince and Taylor Lamke both had a hit an RBI. Other base hits in the Bulldogs' 10-hit attack came from Bryce Williams and Spencer Brookbank.

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Stone Bridge will carry the momentum

Athletes of the Week



Fifteen athletes from Williams Martial Arts and Fitness (Ashburn) recently traveled to St. Albans, W. Va. to compete in the USA-NKF Regional Qualifier. The local team brought back a total of 18 medals, including nine gold, four silver and five bronze. The event was a qualifier for the upcoming USA-NKF National Karate Championships, which will be held July 17-20 in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

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Opening Victory



The Broad Run High girls' soccer team, the defending state AA champion, opened the new season with a 2-1 victory over visiting Battlefield High (Haymarket) on March 11. The Spartans, under coach Claire Collins (center), are scheduled to play local road games this week at Stone Bridge on Wednesday (March 18) and at Briar Woods this Friday night at 7:30.

New Bicyclist Advocacy Group

BikeLoudoun, a new bicycle advocacy group whose mission is to achieve a safe, comprehensive network of bikeways throughout the county, supports the recommendations of the Loudoun County Bicycle and Pedestrian Mobility Master Plan.

Since the county's Transportation Plan is currently being revised, BikeLoudoun is asking the community to identify the most dangerous roadways and intersections for pedestrians and bicyclists. With this information in hand, they will coordinate with the Loudoun County planning and transportation staffs as well as the County Planning Commission to improve these areas so that bicycle and pedestrian travel becomes safer and more accessible.

Send recommendations to Pat Turner, Co-chair, BikeLoudoun, at pat.turner2@verizon.net by Thursday, April 2.

BikeLoudoun meetings are open to everyone. Visit www.bikeloudoun.org. The next BikeLoudoun meeting is Wednesday, March 25 at 7 p.m. at the Ashburn Library, 43316 Hay Road.

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information exchange sessions that provide information on the county's procurement processes and upcoming contracts. For location call 703-777-0403 or e-mail to Rebecca Kummel at procurement@loudoun.gov.

BIKE LOUDOUN. 7 p.m., Ashburn Library, 43316 Hay Road, Ashburn. BikeLoudoun, a county bicycle advocacy group, will meet. All are welcome. Call Pat Turner at 703-444-4199.

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Time Out Of Mind



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Time Out Of Mind

After my mother's death, it took me over two months to finally write and send thank you notes to the friends who remembered my mother by making charitable donations in her name. And though I'm not particularly proud of the lack of initiative I showed in taking as long as I did to properly respond, I am still most appreciative of the extra effort and thoughtfulness these friends exhibited. As I wrote in the thank yous that I sent, it seemed like the loss of a second parent in two years sort of knocked the initiative right out of me (or maybe that was simply my mother not being around to remind me to do something). I remember experiencing a similar malaise after my father died in Dec., 2006. And though my mother was most definitely alive and well back then, I recall feeling a little unmotivated, a little empty, and not really seeing the point and/or significance in much as I tried to find a new routine now that my father was gone.

Moreover, given the fact that our mother was now widowed, without my father as her companion for the first time in over 65 years, my brother and I knew we still had major responsibilities, not exactly care and feeding since my father's caregiver, Maria, stayed on, but life full-filling nevertheless. And not that we were the least bit put off — or put upon, quite frankly — by the task at hand, it was more that we were fulfilling a role that, unbeknownst to us, we had been preparing for — and prepared for, our whole lives.

And for most of these past two years, we had fun doing it. As difficult as I know it was for my mother to live on without my father alive and in her life, it was really quite remarkable how she adjusted to the loss. Not exactly ambulatory and almost totally hearing impaired, she persevered, and almost always with good humor. Surrounded by pictures of my father as well as pictures of the two of them at various stops in their life, she was never far removed, physically, from reminders of what, for her, had been the most important responsibility in her life: her husband (my father) and her family. Yet, she was rarely morose; sad of course, in tears occasionally, but overall, happy to be alive and not "woeing" at all about her loss or physical limitations.

Mentally, she was as sharp at the end as she had been her entire life (so far as we ever saw) and as concerned about others (my brother and I) even as she lay in the bed in which she would eventually die, as she had ever been; still concerned about my brother's comfort (sitting vs. standing by the side of her bed) and whether or not we had eaten or were hungry. Amazing!

This was the second time that my brother and I have been witness to acts of love and unselfishness by our parents as they lie dying. Whatever lessons they sought to impart to us while they were alive pale in comparison to the lessons they taught us while they were dying.

My parents both died with dignity, class and concern for their family. At a time in their lives when it most assuredly should have been about them, they continued to try and make it about us. No wonder we miss them so much.

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Adjusting School Boundaries

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This upcoming school year, the only changes in the Ashburn area are attendance zone DN-38, which is currently within the Eagle Ridge Middle School boundary, into the Farmwell Station boundary. According to Adamo, this move will only require five sixth-graders and one seventh-grader to switch schools. However, though the change is minimal for this upcoming year, Adamo warned that upon the completion of the planned, new high school (HS-6) in 2014, which will require boundary changes itself, the middle school boundaries in Ashburn will be subject to further adjustments.

Overcrowding, a major issue for the area middle schools, is an even more significant issue at the high school level. Adamo noted that Stone Bridge High School, which is already exceeding capacity by 221 students, is projected to reach an enrollment of 2164 in 2013-14, or an excess of 546, even if boundary adjustments were made. As a result, Adamo recommended that the School Board push up HS-6, which is slated for 2014, into fiscal year 2011 from 2012 so that the school can open a year earlier.

AS FOR IMMEDIATE relief measures, Adamo recommended what he called an "interim solution at best," which would go into effect in fall 2010. Under the proposal, three planning zones, DN-28, 29 and 35, which are currently in the southern part of

the Stone Bridge attendance zone, will be moved into the Briar Woods zone. As was the case for the middle school, Adamo noted that more boundary adjustments would be

needed upon the opening of Tuscarora High School and HS-6.

Bob Ohneiser, the Broad Run School Board representative, was the only School Board member to raise concern with the recommended boundary adjustments, feeling that a higher population due to planned development in his district would force more schools to be considered for boundary changes.

"I respectfully request that you consider, at least, adding in Park View [High School] at that point," Ohneiser said, "only because the far eastern portion of Broad Run, by that time, will be seeing much more development from One Loudoun and Kinross. I'd just hate to see the 3 or 400 seats that might be at Park View, open."

THE NEXT STEP for the School Board is to open to process up to public input, which Board Chairman Robert DuPree pointed out, is essential to ensure that all parties' opinions and ideas are vetted so that at least a modicum of satisfaction can be attained.

"I would encourage the public to share with us what they like and what they do not like and why," DuPree said. "That is what is going to be very important to us as we do this process over the next six weeks."

"A lot of what you have seen previously will be familiar to you [again this year]."

— **Dr. Sam Adamo, director, Department of Planning and Legislative Services**

Overcoming Cultural Barriers

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cal laws allow Sikh adults to wear the Kirpan as a symbol, but youth under the age of 18 are prohibited from donning the sword. A turban, which is worn to cover the unshorn hair, is a revered religious symbol. Pillai said many Americans share a misconception about the material covering the head, erroneously believing that Sikh members are associated with Osama Bin Laden.

Pillai cautioned that authorities should allow a Sikh to remove his own turban if the situation is safe enough to justify the action.

MOTIVANS SAID said deputies also re-

ceived training during January and February on cultural do's and don'ts, such as one involving an objection to a man shaking a woman's hand and visa versa. They explored situations in which a deputy might assume someone is acting arrogant when in reality, he has a case of "cultural ignorance." The training also detailed resources for deputies to find interpreters on staff or vendors who would provide the expertise when needed.

The instruction is important on many levels, she said. "It helps people integrate. When they feel the police are there to serve them, there is a whole community connection."

BULLETIN BOARD

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WEDNESDAY/APRIL 8

MAGIC TREE HOUSE BOOK CLUB. 4 p.m., Ashburn Library, 43316 Hay Road, Ashburn. Ages 7-9. Registration begins two weeks before the program. Selection: "Tonight on the Titanic" by Mary Pope Osborne. Register by phone 703-737-8100 or online at <http://library.loudoun.gov>.

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