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Some of the members of Moms for a Cure gather at Ari Jones's home in the Century Oak community.

Supporting Leukemia Research

Moms For a Cure is raising research money.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
CENTRE VIEW

Moms for a Cure, comprised of 44 local moms from all walks of life, is doing whatever its members can to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (LLS). Among them is Ari Jones, 36, of Fair Oaks' Century Oak community.

She's marshaled the group to raise as much money as possible toward a cure for blood cancers. Their fund-raising campaign begins April 1 and runs through June 13.

Said Jones, "I decided it would be wonderful if we could all join forces and raise over \$100,000 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society." And as a cancer survivor, herself, she knows how devastating it can be. Four years ago, she had metastatic thyroid cancer, but is now in remission.

So this wife and mother of two children — a boy, 8, and girl, 6 — wants to do her part to help others. In addition, because of her volunteer work and the money she's raised for LLS, she's been nominated as one of the organization's 18 Washington Metropolitan area candidates for Woman of the Year.

Jones received the nomination two months ago and will find out at the end of the campaign if she won. But even if she doesn't, she'll still feel like a winner because of whatever amount of money she and the other Moms for a Cure are able to raise.

"I wanted this 'Little Engine That Could' team of moms to create something tremendous."

— Ari Jones

"It's a 10-week campaign, with every dollar raised counting as a vote," she said. "There's also a community award with recognition for the person doing the best job of promoting the society's mission — to cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's Disease and myeloma and improve the quality of life of patients and their families."

In Jones's case, a Mother's Day gift of a massage brought attention to a previously undetected lump in her neck. After surgery

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Townhouse Fire Displaces Family

Two-alarm blaze causes \$200,000 in damage.

"Everything is gone — they couldn't save anything."

— Amber Monroe, fire victim

BY BONNIE HOBBS
CENTRE VIEW

A two-alarm townhouse fire, Sunday evening, caused an estimated \$200,000 in damage and displaced a single mother and her four, young children, plus five other people.

"Now the house is all boarded up and condemned and we can't live in it, anymore," said the mom, Amber Monroe, 22. "We have to start again from scratch."

Fairfax County Fire and Rescue

Department units responded to the blaze March 22, around 5:10 p.m., at 4101 Chantilly Lace Court in the Chantilly Mews community. First-arriving firefighters encountered flames coming from the rear of the two-story structure.

A second fire alarm was struck, bringing approximately 60 firefighters to the scene. They came from both Centreville fire stations, Chantilly, Fair Oaks, Fairfax, Frying Pan, Oakton and

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Two Years in Prison For Robbing Bicyclist

BY BONNIE HOBBS
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Riding his bicycle in his neighborhood, the 32-year-old Chantilly man had just finished work and was headed home around 12:15 a.m. Next thing he knew, four people drove up in a Jeep and three got out and robbed him at gunpoint.

Now all four have been sentenced, the last one being Kebrebeal M. Yimam, 20, of 2425 Merrybrook Drive, No. 303 in Herndon. On March 5 in Fairfax County Circuit Court, Judge

Stanley Klein sentenced him to two years, three months in prison.

"The victim is a hardworking immigrant who was just trying to go home," said Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Casey Lingan. "He'd just cashed his \$277 paycheck, and [Yimam] and the others tried to take than away from him."

The incident occurred Nov. 12, 2006. The victim was in the Meadows of Chantilly community, riding his bicycle on Airline Parkway near Lufthansa Circle, when

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Man Convicted of Raping Daughter

**Jury recommends
60 years in prison.**

BY BONNIE HOBBS
CENTRE VIEW

It takes a lot of courage for a child to speak up and tell authorities an adult has abused her. It takes even more courage to do so when that adult is her own father.

But that's exactly what a 10-year-old Chantilly girl did. And last week in Fairfax County Circuit Court, she had to summon her courage once more, take the witness stand and tell a judge and jury what happened to her.

In the end, they all believed her and found her father guilty of abduction, rape and aggravated sexual battery. The jury then recommended he spend the rest of his life in jail.

The incident occurred last summer, and the man is now 38. However, Centre View is not revealing his identity or address to protect the identity of his child.

Police Det. Thea Haddix, of the Criminal Investigations Bureau, Child Abuse Section, explained the case against the father in an Aug. 1, 2008 affidavit to obtain forensic evidence from his person. She wrote that, on June 30, 2008, the girl "reported a rape that occurred on June 28. The victim advised [that] her father called her into his bedroom and forced vaginal intercourse on [her]."

The child was taken to Inova Fairfax Hospital where she underwent a Sexual Assault Nurse Examination. Forensic evidence was obtained from her and secured in a Physical Evidence Recovery Kit.

In her affidavit, Haddix requested permission to obtain a sample of the father's cheek lining so the Virginia Division of Forensic Science could compare his DNA to that found on the evidence obtained from his daughter. Police took the sample from the father, the same day the warrant was written.

On June 30, 2008, police arrested the father and charged him with abduction, rape and aggravated sexual battery. He was released from the Adult Detention Center, July 11, on \$9,000 bond.

On Aug. 1, 2008 in Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court, his charges were sent to the grand jury — which later indicted him on all counts. He then stood trial last Monday - Wednesday, March 16-18, in Circuit Court.

Following the attorneys' closing arguments on March 18, the jurors deliberated about five hours before returning with a verdict of guilty. They then spent some 45 minutes considering his punishment and ultimately recommended the father receive 60 years in prison and pay a \$50,000 fine.

The jury specifically recommended he serve 25 years for abduction, 25 years for rape and 10 years for aggravated sexual battery. Judge Bruce White then set his sentencing for June 5. He also revoked the father's bond and ordered him remanded to the custody of the sheriff until then.

Wooden Sentenced to 15 Months

BY BONNIE HOBBS
CENTRE VIEW

Of the three people involved in a Chantilly robbery last fall, 21-year-old Dontay Wooden is the first to be sentenced. He didn't participate in it, himself, but helped set the wheels in motion. And for that, there's a price to pay: 15 months in prison.

"We have a robbery committed at gunpoint," said Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Camille Turner. "But for him, it would have never occurred."

The incident happened Oct. 20, 2008, around 11 a.m., outside the SunTrust Bank at 13900 Lee Jackson Memorial Highway in Chantilly. But it was no spur-of-the-moment event. Wooden, of 321 Mosby Court in Manassas Park, and two others planned in advance to rob the Kentucky Fried Chicken in Sully Plaza of its weekend cash proceeds.

Wooden used to work there, and he told his roommate and co-defendant, Jeremy Trujillo, when another employee would be making the restaurant's deposit at the bank. Their friend, Jessica Mitchell of Bristow, was designated the get-away-car driver.

The day of the robbery, Trujillo approached the employee, a 27-year-old Chantilly man, as he was about to make the deposit. He demanded the bank bag — which contained \$6,681 — and displayed a silver handgun in his waistband. When the victim raised his arms, Trujillo knocked the bag away

from him, grabbed it and ran. Mitchell was waiting, and they drove off.

On Dec. 22, 2008 in Fairfax County Circuit Court, Wooden entered an Alford plea of guilt to conspiracy to commit robbery. He didn't admit guilt, but acknowledged the existence of enough evidence to convict him. He returned March 6 for sentencing.

"He was an integral part of the planning."

— Camille Turner,
Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney

"His information enabled his fellow conspirators to know when the KFC employee would make a bank drop at Sun Trust Bank," said Turner. "Although he wasn't physically present, he was an integral part of the planning."

BUT DEFENSE ATTORNEY Tom Koerner said his client was remorseful and tried to dissuade the others from going through with it. "Even though his information was used in

this robbery, he told them not to do it," said Koerner. "Because of his disabilities, he was easily manipulated. They might have done something, anyway; his information just made it easier."

Koerner doubted that Wooden understood the gravity of the situation. "He didn't know they were going to use a gun," said the attorney. "It's a case of, you don't have to worry about your enemies, because your friends will screw you."

He said Wooden has a supportive family and a 2-month-old child, and he asked Judge Bruce White to sentence him below the low point of this case's state sentencing guidelines of one year, three

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ROUNDUPS

Fair Lakes Bank Robbery

Fairfax County police robbery detectives are asking the public's help in identifying a serial bank robber. The most recent robbery occurred Monday, March 23, around 9:44 a.m. An employee of United Bank at 13060 Fair Lakes Blvd. was working behind the counter when a man armed with a gun entered the bank, jumped the counter and demanded money.

The robber then locked the bank employees inside a vault, took an undisclosed amount of cash and fled on foot. The victim, a 35-year-old Falls Church man, was not injured. The suspect was described as black, about 30, approximately 5 feet 5 inches to 5 feet 6 inches and 180 pounds. He wore a dark-colored hoodie, a mask, jeans and tennis shoes.

Robbery detectives believe he was also involved in several other robberies that have occurred since November 2008, most of which took place in Reston. Detectives ask anyone with information to contact Crime solvers at 1-866-411-TIPS/8477, e-mail at www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org or text "TIP187" plus a message to CRIMES/274637 or call police at 703-691-2131. Besides the cash reward offered by Crime Solvers, an additional reward up to \$10,000 is being offered by the FBI.

Free Carseat Inspections

Certified technicians from the Sully District Police Station will perform free, child safety carseat inspections, Thursday, March 26, 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. Call 703-814-7000, ext. 5140 to confirm dates and times.

'Saturday Night in Suburbs'

Seniors at Westfield High will hold a substance-abuse awareness program for parents, Thursday, March 26, at 7 p.m., in the school lecture hall. Students will conduct an honest and eye-opening discussion about drugs, alcohol, parties, driving, sexting and communication between teens and parents. The Westfield Community Coalition and Westfield PTSA are the sponsors. Contact Jennifer Cooper at jalcooper@aol.com.

Budget Town Hall Meeting

Supervisor Pat Herry (R-Springfield) is holding a town hall meeting about the Fairfax County budget, next Thursday, March 26, at 7:30 p.m., in rooms 9 and 10 of the county Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway in Fairfax. Call 703-451-5515 for more details.

Violence Prevention Conference

The first countywide, substance-abuse and violence prevention conference will be held Saturday, March 28, from 8:15 a.m.-4 p.m., at Oakton High, 2900 Sutton Road in Vienna. Organizers are the Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) Safe and Drug-Free Youth Section and its Unified Prevention Coalition (UPC), in collaboration with Fairfax County agencies and organizations in Northern Virginia.

For more information, contact Lisa Adler, prevention conference coordinator, at 571-423-4270 or Lisa.Adler@fcps.edu.

Fair Oaks CAC Meeting

The Fair Oaks District Police Station Citizens Advisory Council will meet Tuesday, March 31, at 7 p.m., in the roll-call room of the Fair Oaks District Police Station. It's at 12300 Lee Jackson Memorial Highway.

Western Fairfax Day

The Cub Run Rec Center on Stonecroft Boulevard in Chantilly will hold a Western Fairfax Day celebration. It's slated for Saturday, April 4, from 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

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From left: Noorma Zahory of Afghanistan, Nicole Chambati of Zimbabwe and Ithi Joshi of India pose before a previous, Chantilly High International Night.

CHS Hosts Globalfest 2009

International talent show introduces students' cultures.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
CENTRE VIEW

Featuring colorful costumes, lively music and energetic dancing, Chantilly High presents Globalfest 2009. The show is the school's 12th annual International Night and is slated for Thursday, April 2, at 7 p.m. in the auditorium. Tickets are \$6 at the door and during all school lunches.

"It's a representation of all the countries that students at our school come from," said ESOL teacher Naseema Sait. "It showcases their cultures, fashion and music."

The event is sponsored by the ESOL Department and its four teachers, Sait, Pam Payne, Tatiana Kahn and Joanne Vigen. Directing is theater teacher/director Shannon Khatcheressian. Any proceeds after expenses are paid go toward the ESOL students' fall

field trip.

This year's program has 16 acts from 14 different countries and, at times, students from a variety of countries are performing together.

THE FOUR TEACHERS help organize the event. "We start planning a year ahead and work toward it," said Sait. "The students have been rehearsing since February and went through a very tough audition. Shannon narrowed it down and decided on the acts."

Now, she said, all the participants are excited about Globalfest and are looking forward to demonstrating what they can do and the pride they have in their home countries.

"We are so diverse at Chantilly, it's a good chance for the students to show off their talents," said Sait. "It's beautiful and colorful and is a combination of both Eastern and Western cultures. This show is sold out every year, so people are encouraged to get their tickets early."

Pia Debroy and Ithi Joshi, both of India, will sing solos, and Korea's Young Min Lim will perform a love song. Representing Ireland, Alex Bedont will sing a

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Anniversary for Holistic Moms Group

For the past year, the Northern Virginia Chapter of the Holistic Moms Network has been providing support, information and camaraderie to Northern Virginia families who share a common interest in natural health and green living.

Founded and lead by two Centreville moms — Alexa Hutchins of Singleton's Grove and Laurie Cunningham of Country Club Manor — the organization has filled a need here and has grown quickly.

"We have 65 members now," said Hutchins. "This year has been great. There's so much interest, it's been amazing. And our members come from all over — even from as far away as Leesburg and Springfield."

And now, the group is inviting parents from Fairfax and surrounding areas to join in celebrating its one-year anniversary on Tuesday, April 7, from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Members will meet for conversation, sharing and support at the City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St. in Fairfax.

Families and children are welcome. Local businesses supporting healthful living and parenting are

contributing to this event, providing food and prizes for the members and guests.

The Holistic Moms Network is a national, nonprofit support and resource network for moms interested in natural/alternative health and mindful parenting. This Northern Virginia chapter meets the first Tuesday of each month, from 6:30-8:30 p.m., in the conference room of the City of Fairfax Regional Library.

The meetings are topical meetings and often feature guest speakers. Discussion subjects include organic gardening, deciphering food labels, yoga for the whole family, nontoxic cleaning, nutrition, vaccine awareness and managing commercialism.

This chapter also coordinates playgroups, a lending library and other opportunities to meet and socialize with like-minded families. For more information, contact Chapter Co-Leader Laurie Cunningham at 703-988-0285 or at HMNOFNOVA@gmail.com. The Web site is <http://nova.holisticmoms.org> and the blog is at <http://hmnofnova.blogspot.com>.

— BONNIE HOBBS

Robbing Cyclist Nets Two-Year Term

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a Jeep Cherokee with headlights off drove into his path.

Robbery Det. Eric Deane explained what happened in a March 29, 2007 affidavit. When the men confronted the bicyclist, wrote Deane, "The first subject asked the victim a question and then pulled a silver handgun from his waistband and pointed it at the victim's head. A second male tried to push the victim off his bike" and then held him down while trying to remove a necklace from his neck. "A third subject removed the victim's wallet from the back pocket of his pants," before all three fled in the Jeep.

Police arrested both Yimam and co-defendant Bryan Eno, of Centreville's Newgate community, on March 29, 2007, charging each with robbery and use of a firearm in the commission of a felony. A year later, Circuit Court Judge Robert Smith sentenced Eno to three years in prison.

Yimam's court case was continued several times and, in November 2008, he pleaded guilty to robbery and his firearm charge was dropped. When he returned to court March 5, his attorney Mandy Petrocelli said Yimam came to the U.S. from Ethiopia at age 17 and was 18 at the time of the offense.

Lingan said another co-defendant, Mike Asfaw, drove the Jeep. "He and Yimam came from the same country and were very close,"

said Lingan. "Eno brought the gun, they all knew about it and knew we were going to the trailer park for a robbery."

Also participating were Anthony Kelly and a Chantilly juvenile. "The victim wasn't able to identify Kelly or Eno at preliminary hearing," said Lingan. "But he saw Yimam in the courtroom and told Det. Deane that [Yimam] was the individual with the gun."

Petrocelli, however, said Kelly and the teen claimed Eno had the gun. "Kelly and Eno committed six or seven robberies before Asfaw and [the juvenile] got involved," she said. "But all the co-defendants said Yimam was only involved in this one."

"He still hasn't gotten the message."

**— Casey Lingan,
Assistant
Commonwealth's
Attorney**

Kelly pleaded guilty to this and one other robbery and received two years in prison total. In October 2008, Asfaw was sentenced to eight years for this and other robberies, and the juvenile received a three-year suspended sentence after serving 19 months in the Juvenile Detention Center.

At Yimam's sentencing, Lingan noted that, while out on bond, Yimam possessed marijuana and drove recklessly. "So it's clear he hasn't gotten a wake-up call or fully accepted his part in this," said the prosecutor. "He still hasn't gotten the message."

But Petrocelli said Yimam cooperated with authorities immediately and came to court five times to testify against the others. "By everybody's account, he was the one least culpable in this ongoing criminal enterprise," she said. "The only reason [the

teen] didn't get out of the car at this robbery was because he used to live in that neighborhood and didn't want to be recognized."

Petrocelli said her client behaved well at Westfield High and worked with his mother at the airport. He was expelled from school because of the robbery, but when he was first charged, Westfield Principal Tim Thomas tried intervening on his behalf.

"He called and asked me what he could do to not have him expelled," said Petrocelli. "It was an extraordinary effort by him and showed he had a tremendous amount of respect for this young man."

Afterward, Yimam attended Mountain View, where he was a good student, said Petrocelli. She said Principal Jim Oliver even visited him in jail "to give him support and guidance and encourage him to get his GED."

"This is a good kid," she said. "He doesn't make excuses, but acknowledges that he's hurt his family and is sorry. He befriended Asfaw, from his country; he said he'd rather have bad friends than no friends. It was immature, but he was only 17 [then]. And this is his first felony."

Nonetheless, said Judge Klein, "This is a bad crime, and Fairfax County [residents] need to know people who commit crimes like this will be severely punished so others thinking of doing things like this will [think again]. He then sentenced Yimam to seven years in prison, suspending all but two years, three months. He also placed Yimam on three years active probation afterward and ordered him to pay \$1,680 restitution.

Townhouse Fire Displaces Mom, Children

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even Loudoun County. "Because the townhouse was in close proximity to other units, we wanted to have as many resources necessary to protect lives and property," said Fire Department spokesman Dan Schmidt.

They brought the fire under control in about 20 minutes. Fortunately, the building was constructed with a fire wall in place, and that helped firefighters contain the blaze. Schmidt said Monroe's home sustained major damage throughout, displacing her, two other adults and the children.

IN ADDITION, one adult and two children who lived in an adjacent townhouse were also displaced, due to smoke and water damage to their home. No one was injured. Red Cross assisted all those displaced. Fire investigators said the fire was accidental, caused by clothing too close to a light fixture in a first-floor utility closet.

Monroe — who expected to give birth to her fourth child, a son, on Wednesday, March 25 — was at dinner in Arlington with her children, daughters Kennidie, 5, and Trinnitie, 4, and son Joseph, 1, when the fire occurred. Her sister, Angelica, of Centreville, was visiting but, said Monroe, "she was in the bathroom doing her hair

and didn't hear the smoke alarm going off."

However, their sister Aerial, who lives in the neighborhood, noticed something was wrong. "She knocked on the door, warning Angelica that she saw smoke coming out of the kitchen window and told Angelica to get out," said Monroe. "Thank God Aerial told her. Angelica said the living room was filled with smoke and she didn't know where it was coming from."

Angelica saw smoke at the ceiling, said Monroe, so she unplugged the TV, in case there was a short in the wire. "Then she opened a closet door in the living room, looking for a fuse box, and a big fire busted out of the closet," said Monroe. "So she left it open, got out and called 911."

Monroe said her landlord would put them into another unit on Thursday in the same neighborhood. But she has no renter's insurance and, said Monroe, "Everything is gone — they couldn't save anything. All the new stuff from my baby shower for the new baby was lost, as well as the other children's baby albums and photos and my digital camera and camcorder with memories inside."

SHE SAID the Red Cross helped a great deal, putting them up in the Comfort Suites hotel, across the street, for four nights and

five days. "They also gave me a debit card from Wal-Mart to buy some things for the kids — pajamas, shoes, jackets, etc.," said Monroe. "And Ox Hill Baptist Church and Western Fairfax Christian Ministries are working to try to get me vouchers for food and clothing. My family's also helping and is being very supportive."

She's a lead teacher for the pre-K classroom at Minnieland Day School in Centreville, but is currently on maternity leave. Meanwhile, her own children have lots of questions, she said, but are in good spirits. Still, it's tough. "Trinnitie asked, 'Mom, why are you crying? What happened to our house?'" said Monroe. "I told her, 'Everything's going to be OK; we're going to start over. It's OK if you want to cry.'"

She, herself, is very sad and still in a state of "disbelief and shock." But, she said, "The fire spread so quickly, I'm just glad my babies weren't in there and we're all safe — and that the new baby wasn't here, yet."

Anyone wishing to help Monroe or her children in any way may call her at 571-235-1648. And the fire department advises residents to keep at least three feet clearance between their alternate heating source and anything combustible and not to store combustible materials in closed areas or near a heat source.

Moms for A Cure

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and radiation treatment at George Washington University Hospital, she returned home to recover, but soon became a leading fund-raiser for LLS.

Since it began in 1949, LLS has raised more than \$600 million toward research targeting blood cancers. And Moms for a Cure has planned and coordinated several, upcoming events to continue the efforts.

"I wanted this 'Little Engine That Could' team of moms to create something tremendous — a fund-raising force to be reckoned with and an achievement that our children would be proud of," said Jones. After all, she added, "We're all two degrees of separation away from someone in our lives who's been touched by cancer."

The local fund-raisers are as follows:

❖ Monday, April 6, from 4-9 p.m., Milwaukee Custard at 13934 Lee Jackson Memorial Highway in Chantilly's Sully Plaza Shopping Center, will hold a "Spring Break Sundae." For everyone who mentions Moms for a Cure, that night, Milwaukee Custard will donate 20 percent of the proceeds.

❖ Saturday, April 18, at 7 p.m., is "Simple Man Saturday Night" at Fast Eddie's at 9687 Lee Highway in Fairfax. For a \$20 cover charge, attendees will enjoy a live band, free food and raffle prizes, with a portion of the proceeds going to Moms for a Cure.

❖ Thursday, May 7, anytime, is "Dish for a Cure" at Let's Dish, 11215 Lee Highway Suites in Fairfax. People may prepare meals there to take home or get them already made. And 10 percent of the proceeds go to Moms for a Cure. Anyone unable to participate that day, but still wishing to help, may go to www.letsdish.com, enter the code F9-Moms and donate anytime during the campaign and the Moms will get 10 percent.

❖ Saturday, May 9, from 8 a.m.-noon, is a community yard sale in the Century Oak community, 3507 Broadrun Drive in Fair Oaks. Moms for a Cure will receive 100 percent of the proceeds, and donations will be accepted at that address from now until then. Rain date is May 16.

Contributions may also be made via checks payable to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and mailed to: Ari Jones, 3507 Broadrun Drive, Fairfax, VA 22033. For more information about other upcoming events, to donate or to become a corporate sponsor, go to www.momsforcure.com. To learn more about the organization, see www.LLS.org.

Wooden Sentenced to 15 Months

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months to two years, 10 months. White didn't do that, but he did give Wooden the minimum possible. "I take into consideration your age and your attorney's arguments," the judge told him. "But I don't think this would have happened without your assistance." He then sentenced Wooden to five years in prison, suspending all but one year,

three months. White also placed him on three years active probation upon his release and ordered him to undergo an alcohol and drug evaluation and follow whatever recommendations are given to him.

Regarding the co-defendants, Mitchell pleaded guilty to robbery in January. She'll be sentenced July 10 by Judge Marcus Williams. Trujillo pleaded guilty to robbery in February and is scheduled for sentencing May 22 by Judge Gaylord Finch.

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It should serve as a national wake-up call. Here in Northern Virginia, more than 700 votes cast in one precinct in a special election earlier this month were called into question when a voting machine malfunctioned.

The voting machine reported that 724 people had used it, even though officials at the Fairview precinct had recorded only 707 people walking through the door. There was also another voting machine at Fairview, which had already tallied 348 of the 707 votes.

Officials were unable to declare a winner in the race for more than 24 hours while they moved and opened the rogue machine. The conclusion: John Cook (R) defeated at-large school board member Ilryong Moon (D) by 89 votes in an election where more than 13,000 voters cast ballots.

Read reporter Julia O'Donoghue's story on the problems with voting machines at <http://connectionnewspapers.com/article.asp?article=326931&paper=73&cat=109>.

The March 10 special election was held to

choose the successor to Sharon Bulova (D) for Braddock District supervisor.

There were no optical scan machines available for the special election because election officials were trying to save money; there was no paper trail to back up questions about the accuracy of the electronic voting. Rokey Suleman, Fairfax County registrar, cited the high cost of paper.

But the costs of any legal challenge to the results would make the cost of paper pale by comparison. The loss of voter confidence would have more disastrous and far-reaching effects.

Computer experts warn that relying solely on the software inside electronic voting machines is a formula for disaster. Most of the rest of us who are not computer experts have seen first hand what can go wrong when computer hardware or software malfunctions, and the importance of good (or any) back-up systems.

Virginia will hold very important elections in June and November. The contest for Governor alone will be hotly contested and could be

very, very close, both in the June primary and the November general election. Remember that Bob McDonnell, now the Republican candidate for Governor, became Attorney General in the last election by a margin of 360 votes out of nearly 2 million votes cast.

Every seat in the House of Delegates will also be on the ballot in November. In Fairfax County at least, election officials do not plan to offer the optical scan/paper ballot as an option.

Nearly 80 percent of registered voters turned out for last November's presidential and congressional elections, and Fairfax County equipped each polling station with at least one optical scan machine, giving voters a choice. This plus the many voters who were able to vote absentee in person ahead of time were part of the reason Election Day went smoothly.

Offering the choice to use paper ballots and optical scanning machines doesn't address the question of a possible failure of an electronic machine and the need for a paper trail.

Local jurisdictions around Virginia should ponder a worst-case scenario now — the results of a close contest could be unreliable or undeterminable because of voting machine malfunction. The costs involved would dwarf the costs of setting up back-up systems now.

EDITORIAL

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Impressed by Candidate

To the Editor:

This past Saturday (March 14, 2009), I had the privilege and honor to attend the campaign kickoff event for Jim LeMunyon's campaign for the Virginia House of Delegates. I was amazed at the turnout. I'm not sure of the exact number of seats, but every available seat was occupied and there must have been another 10-20 people standing. All told, there had to be well over 100 people in attendance We are still well over eight months away from the election, so to see this level of excitement for a first time candidate was amazing and refreshing. Clearly voters in our district are energized, concerned about the issues, and ready to get involved for the right cause.

Prior to the start of the festivities, I had the opportunity to walk around and speak to several people, including Jim's campaign manager, and neighbor and family friend helping with the campaign, and Jim's wife, Robin. Each person seemed excited about the journey that Jim has embarked upon, and each was hopeful that Jim would ultimately be elected and have the opportunity to represent our district in Richmond next fall. The issues that we currently face as a nation, as a state,

and as a district, nestled firmly in the hustle-and-bustle, and congestion of Northern Virginia serves as the pretext to this campaign.

Also in attendance, Congressman Frank Wolf served as the guest speaker and introduced Jim to the audience. Congressman Wolf spoke glowingly of Jim's character and of the issues that Jim is most concerned about, taking care to point out that these are not partisan issues, but rather issues of quality of life. Jim supports initiatives to improve our transportation infrastructure. He supports lower taxes and incentives to put money back in the pockets of taxpayers. He recognizes that big government and higher taxes is not the solution to our current economic problems, not at the national level, and certainly not at the state level. Most of all, Jim is well schooled and well informed of the issues. His opinions and positions on the issues are formed based on a careful analysis of the facts, not just an emotional response to his external environment. It is exactly this kind of responsible analysis of the issues that we need in our elected officials, and it is the biggest reason why I support Jim LeMunyon.

I first met Jim when he knocked on my front door in early February. He was just starting on his "10,000 Door Knock Drive," but with two young children crying in the background, I didn't get too

much of an opportunity to talk to him that day. So, I went out and found his Web site, I did some research on Jim, and ultimately I sent him an email with my concerns, my positions on the issues, and a few of my ideas for things we might support to help fix some of this country's most difficult challenges. Jim's response was poignant. He simply stated, we think a lot alike, and we should stay in touch. I was impressed, because although I tend to identify most with the Republican Party and have registered as a Republican, a lot of my beliefs are not purely Republican positions. I tend to fall somewhere to the "center right". Although more Conservative in my beliefs, and a strong proponent of personal responsibility, smaller government, lower taxes, and other key Conservative ideologies, I also recognize that most issues are not "black and

white" and can't be solved without compromise. We need to look for real-world solutions, that meet the common-sense test, while still being moral, socially and fiscally responsible, and focused on our fundamental principles as Americans. I believe Jim will work hard to find these types of solutions.

Jim touched on a few of these points during his speech. His stories from his early interactions with voters highlighted the fact that many of our toughest issues are not "partisan" issues, and as such provide an opportunity for a responsible leader, whether Republican or Democrat to win the next election. I believe Jim LeMunyon is just such a responsible leader. And, that is why I support Jim LeMunyon for the Virginia House of Delegates.

Jeremy J. Putman
Chantilly Farms

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NEWS

Globalfest

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special poem written by an Irish king to his son. Brandon Nguyen and Erik Blanco, representing Vietnam and El Salvador, respectively, will perform a spirited and uplifting dance number.

Calling themselves "Inspire," Jessica Song and Tracey Kim will perform a Korean pop dance. And as the group BYK, representing Korea and China, Brian Kim, Kenny Ly and YJ Choi will showcase their Asian Hip-Pop talents.

A trio of senior girls from Zimbabwe and Uganda — Joan Nambuba, Tanaka Mawindi and Nicole Chambati — will dance to hip pop, rumba and other rhythms as Trinitee. And performing both traditional and modern Nepali songs are Ichha Pokharel, Sangya Gyawali, Preksha Khadka and Sangita Dahal.

A MULTICULTURAL ACT featuring students from Korea, China, Vietnam, and the U.S. will sing love songs illustrating the talents of Amber Huang, Caitlin Flesscate, Ester Lee, Thuy Ngo and Lyra Tran. Next to sing will be Live it Up — comprised of Korean and Vietnamese students Chirstina Dang, Steph Yi, Soojin Park, Linh Huynh and Kim Weinberg.

Another Korean group, called Wonder Begins, will sing a 1980s-style love song. Performing will be Jennifer Shim, Claudia Wang, Sabrina Song, Sion Na and Helena. And from India, The Curry Crew of Anuj G., Diksha G., Rachel K., Rohini B., Apoorva V., Manith B. and Dasksh C. will rock the room with a modern, Bollywood dance.

Representing South Asia, the Slumdog Seniors will perform modern and fusion, Bollywood and Punjabi style dances. Comprising this group are Zahra Patel, Birali Menta, Nikitha Reghu, Pia Debroy, Afzai Somani, Bharath Krishnamoorthy, Danial Amjad and Deepak Chithis.

The Desi Girls, also from South Asia, will perform Bollywood, traditional and Punjabi dancing, too. The members are Zahra Patel, Nirali Menta, Ruta Trivedi, Anita Chitis, Adithi Krishnamoorthy, Namrata Arabandi, Surabhi Swarup and Derika Pateriya.

Last, but not least, will be a group representing Bolivia, El Salvador, Puerto Rico and Argentina. Brenda Betty Mugaya, Karen Lazo, Katherine Vargas, Christian Vega Rocha, Marvin Campos, Kevin Ayala, Daniela Ayala and Erik Blanco will keep the rhythm going with dances including the Merengue.

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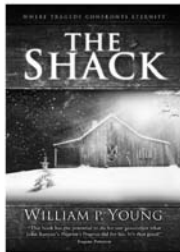
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THURSDAY, MARCH 26

Saturday Night in the Suburbs will be held Thursday, March 26 at 7 p.m. at Westfield High School's lecture hall. This is an evening of dialogue with a panel of senior students to discuss drugs, alcohol, parties, driving, sexting, and communication between teens and parents. Funded in part by Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act. Supported by Westfield Community Coalition and Westfield PTSA. Contact Jennifer Cooper at jcooper@aol.com or Jennifer Campbell at Jcampbellpta@aol.com. "Annie Jr." will be presented at Liberty Middle School at 7 p.m., in the school lecture hall. Tickets are \$5 at the door or at lunchtimes outside the school cafeteria.

FRIDAY/MARCH 27

Arts & Crafts Festival. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. at Dulles Expo Center, 4368 Chantilly Shopping Center. Browse works in jewelry, art, instruments and more. \$7/adult; \$1/child. Visit www.CraftShow.com for more. "Annie Jr." will be presented at Liberty Middle School at 7 p.m., in the school lecture hall. Tickets are \$5 at the door or at lunchtimes outside the school cafeteria.

The 29th annual Chantilly Invitational Jazz Festival will be held from 4 p.m. until 10 p.m. Admission is free and open to the public.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

The Fairfax Jubil-Aires will hold its 53rd annual show, "Let's Bust a Chord Tonight" on Saturday, March 28 at 2 and 7 p.m. at the Ernst Theater of Northern Virginia Community College, Annandale Campus. Special guests will be SoundWorks from Richmond and Maxx Factor. Parking is free. Visit <http://www.fairfaxjubilaires.org>.

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Easter Egg Hunt. Children, age three to seven years, can bring their baskets and hunt for filled Easter eggs in the fields around Sully Historic Site from 1 to 3 p.m. Hunts are set for 1:30 or 2:30 p.m. The rain date is April 4. The cost is \$5 per

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The 29th annual Chantilly Invitational Jazz Festival will be held from 8 a.m. until 9 p.m. Admission is free and open to the public.

SUNDAY/MARCH 29

Arts & Crafts Festival. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at Dulles Expo Center, 4368 Chantilly Shopping Center. Browse works in jewelry, art, instruments and more. \$7/adult; \$1/child. Visit www.CraftShow.com for more.

Master Classes. 1 p.m. at the Russell School of Ballet, 14119 Sullyfield Circle, Suite 0. Children 7-12 can learn flamenco dance and then teens and adults can learn at 2 p.m. \$25/child; \$30/teen, adult. Visit www.fairfaxballet.com or 703-803-1055.

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THURSDAY/APRIL 2

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APRIL 3-5

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FRIDAY/APRIL 3

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District Academy Day. 5-8 p.m. at Sully District Government Center, 4900 Stonecroft Blvd. Representatives from the nation's service academies will be in attendance. For information about the congressional nominating process, 703-709-5800.

SATURDAY/APRIL 4

Women's Show of Northern Virginia. 10 a.m.-8 p.m., get lifestyle tips, makeovers and more at the Dulles Expo & Conference Center, 4368 Chantilly Shopping Center.

Western Fairfax Day. At Cub Run Rec Center, 4630 Stonecroft Blvd., Chantilly, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

SUNDAY/APRIL 5

Women's Show of Northern Virginia. 11 a.m.-5 p.m., get lifestyle tips, makeovers and more at the Dulles Expo & Conference Center, 4368 Chantilly Shopping Center.

MONDAY/APRIL 6

Computer Classes. 9 a.m. at Sully Senior Center, 5690 Sully Road. Adults 55 and older can learn how to use the Internet and Microsoft Office. \$5/person. 703-322-4475.

Spring Break Sundae Break. 4-9 p.m. at Milwaukee's Custard Chantilly, 13934 Lee Jackson Memorial Highway. A portion of the proceeds benefit Moms for a Cure.

TUESDAY/APRIL 7

Anniversary. 6:30 p.m. at Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North Street, Fairfax. One year anniversary of the Northern Virginia Chapter of the Holistic Moms Network. Free.

SATURDAY/APRIL 11

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Wellspring Church this Sunday will hear from Pastor Al Fuyes on "How to live in tough times." Sunday worship is at 11 a.m., at the chapel on Route 29, 13510 Lee Highway, Centreville. The chapel is on the north side of Route 29, just west of the Lee Highway-Union Mill Rd. intersection.

Sunday School for children meets during the worship hour, and following worship there will be a fellowship hour with fair-trade coffee and treats.

A "Living the Questions" evening Bible study meets in Manassas, and a daytime Bible study group meets in Centreville. Other covenant groups are forming. Check the Web site, wellspringucc.org, or call Sara Little at 703-257-4111 for information on these and other special events.

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Stone Middle School will be having its 3rd Annual International Night on Friday, March 27. The International Food Festival will begin at 5:30 p.m. in the cafeteria followed by performances at 6:30 p.m. in the gym.

Colin Powell Elementary School will hold kindergarten registration on Monday, March 30, from 2-4:30 p.m. and Monday, April 20 from 6:30-8: p.m. Children are eligible for kindergarten registration in the 2009-2010 school year if they were born on or before Sept. 30, 2004. Call the office at 571-522-

6000 with questions.

St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic School is holding an Open House Session on the following dates:

- ❖ Sunday, April 26 from 10 a.m. to noon.
- ❖ Tuesday, May 19 from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

St. Andrew the Apostle School is now accepting new student registrations to fill student vacancies for the 2009-2010 school year for Preschool thru Grade 8. A non-refundable application fee of \$100 will be required at the time of reg-

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At the Choral Festival The Chantilly Advanced Mass Choir receives feedback and instruction from adjudicator David Castonguay following their performance at the District XII Choral Festival hosted by Chantilly High School over the weekend of March 20 and 21. More than 35 choirs from 14 different schools participated. The five participating Chantilly High choirs received top marks: Treble Choir - excellent, Men's Chorus - excellent, Women's Select Choir - superior, Advanced Chamber Choir - superior, and Advanced Mass Choir - superior.

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Chargers Prepared for Changes

Loaded with offensive talent, Chantilly girls' lacrosse appears ready to roll.

BY JASON MACKEY
CENTRE VIEW

Welcome to this week's look at the area's high school girls' lacrosse teams. For a glance at the local boys' lacrosse scene, see connectionnewspapers.com.

With a two major rule changes for girls' lacrosse teams set to go into effect this season, Chantilly coach Michele Gates has found herself working on something that has been a strength of her Chargers for the past few years: the finesse game.

The rule change essentially states that when a player is given a yellow card — something officials are being encouraged to do with more regularity — she must serve said penalty while her team continues on without her, playing short-handed.

But penalized teams can still have seven players — plus a goalkeeper — on the defensive side of the field, so whether the change will have a significant effect on play won't be known for some time. In the meantime, Gates has been trying to avoid those penalties all together by exhorting her players to defend more with their feet, not with their bodies or sticks.

"We're really working on our defensive positioning so we're not caught off guard," said the fifth-year head coach.

The second rule change is a byproduct of the first. Regardless of whether a player scored 100 goals and assisted on 50 more, those who are handed a stack of yellow cards throughout the season can now be denied postseason honors.

"We want to play good, clean lacrosse and reward the girls who do that," said Gates, whose team has jumped out to a 7-0 start this season with key wins over Annandale, Battlefield and Robinson.

While Gates has been working on her players' defensive positioning, the rule changes also figure to aid Chantilly's offen-



Senior middle Amanda O'Sullivan (Colgate) was named the Westfield girls' lacrosse team's Most Valuable Player for a second straight time last spring when she had 53 goals and 13 assists.

sive game, which, with the return of two Division-I middies, figures to be the team's overwhelming strength this season.

Seniors Brittany Griel (Delaware) and Katie Stillwell (William & Mary) are both back for the Chargers, who finished 17-3 overall, 8-3 against Concorde District opponents last season and suffered losses to Oakton in both the Northern Region championship and the Virginia AAA state final.

Griel tallied 94 goals last season and assisted on 67 more. She also picked up 58 ground balls. Stillwell countered with 73 goals, 41 assists and 63 ground balls. And despite the loss of midfielder Christina Patten, Chantilly has six or seven girls, according to Gates, that are capable of scoring goals — not just Griel and Stillwell.

"We still have a pretty potent offense," said Gates, whose team will host Herndon on Friday night. "I think that's going to help us as long as we can maintain our defense."

POWERED BY another one of the Northern Region's top scoring threats, senior middle Amanda O'Sullivan, Westfield will look to improve upon last year's 11-5 overall record and 4-2 mark against Concorde District opponents.

O'Sullivan, who will play lacrosse next spring at Colgate University, netted 53 goals and 13 assists last year and was voted the team's Most Valuable Player for the second consecutive season. She was also a first team All-District and second team All-Region selection.

"She's a complete player," said Bulldogs coach Jim Dwyer. "She tremendous in the transition game because she doesn't hold the ball very long. Going into this season, I knew she was going to be our best player, but she's been doing everything this year."

Behind O'Sullivan, senior Hanna Skahn returns after tallying 27 goals and eight assists last year, as does Mary Baronness, a junior midfielder who had 27 takeaways and picked up 54 ground balls a year ago.

Like many lacrosse teams, Westfield will rely on several field hockey players, a Concorde District-title-winning group highlighted by O'Sullivan, Maddy Curry, Kat Kendrick, Nicole Ficarra, Ameera Ahmadih and Blair Duncan.



Senior midfielder Brittany Griel scored 94 goals and added 67 assists for the Chantilly girls' lacrosse team last season. Griel will play next spring at Delaware.

"They've been successful in field hockey, and they're good athletes," Dwyer said. "It's very obvious that they're very good friends, too. Practice is fun. I don't have any negativity at all."

CENTREVILLE will try to address the losses of midfielder Maddie Mohr and defender Holly Broussard from last year's 2-8 team, which lost to Westfield in the first round of the district tournament.

Among those looking to make an impact, junior midfielder Solange Duong scored two goals last season and picked up 30 ground balls, while Dorin Methfessell was an honorable mention All-District pick, accumulating nine goals and 14 assists.

WEEK IN SPORTS

Electrics Seek Players

The Chantilly Electrics, a 17-U WAGS Division 1 girls' soccer team, are looking for a goalkeeper and a few impact field players to join their team. The Electrics are coached by Mark Corey, who has over 16 years of head coaching experience. If interested, contact Mark Corey at 703-819-1052 or via email at mcorey@cox.net.

Firecats on Fire

The Chantilly Youth Association Firecats, a 14-U girls' soccer team, won the Arlington Invitational Tournament on Sunday, March 15. The Firecats' first

game was against an all-star squad made up from the top two teams in western New York. It was a well-played match and Chantilly prevailed, 2-1. The final was against McLean on Sunday afternoon and Chantilly won, 4-3. The Firecats are sponsored by orthodontist Dr. Michael Ellis, Glory Days Grill of Centreville and local Wal-Mart stores. For sponsorship information, call Rich Gleason at 703-378-7667.

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The CYA Firecats (front row, from left): Haley Roberson, Maddie Gray, Danielle Fitzgerald, Adelle Clinton, Maryfay Jackson, Cassie Smith, Bianca Blazquez, Laila Gray, Caroline Collier, (back row, from left) coach Todd Hamlin, Hanna Hannesdottir, Alyssa Morgan, Marlo Sweatman, Kyndall Finch, Kaylee Hohien, Gen Grundy, Kara DeGuisto, Madison Smith, coach Nadir Moumen and coach Rich Gleason

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Too Close for Comfort



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Boy, am I glad I woke up this morning, for obvious reasons. For less than obvious reasons, I'm happy I woke up this morning because the dreams I was having (or shall I say, the dreams I am remembering) were just that, dreams and not real. The content of the three I remember were 1) my accountant and I were speaking on the phone (always scary). He was giving me dire medical news (not his specialty), advising that the continuing lack of a "mature" diet, on my part, combined with a non-fitness regimen had finally come home to roost. He didn't call me a chicken for not having wised up sooner and changed my eating habits, he simply said something — that I don't remember — which was eye-opening, almost literally.

The second dream I remember was almost worse, but not exactly. It had to do with work, Connection Newspaper work. Not a specific task or deadline, or anything to do with commuting to and from, rather it just had to do with being at work, Monday through Friday. It was when I woke up and realized that I didn't have to actually go to work BECAUSE IT WAS SUNDAY that I knew I had dreamt a nightmare instead.

The third piece of a dream that I recall had to do with my nearly 14-year old, golden retriever Bailey. In my dream/dream state, I heard a dog barking somewhere in the distance, as if he was lost, wailing a forlorn-type howl as if he knew he would never be found (at least that's what it felt like in my dream). In reality, Bailey had requested (and I use that term loosely) that he be let out earlier than usual, 5:22 a.m. instead of 6:30 a.m., approximately; early enough that after letting him out (unattended as usual; he has the run of the neighborhood so he doesn't require supervision), I went back upstairs to bed rather than sit and wait (sometimes up to an hour) for his random return. A return/routine he has followed without fail for his entire life so it was nothing I was worried about and absolutely nothing out of the ordinary. I figured that when he was good and ready to come back in the house, he would bark his intentions, as he has done hundreds of times before.

And so he did. That lost dog barking in my dream/nightmare was actually Bailey barking at the front door wanting to be let back in. So when I woke up thinking that it was a work day and a work day that began with some sobering medical news, along with the feeling that my dog (my son, if you will) was lost and barking his farewell (sort of) turned out instead to be something completely different and much less serious. It was not a work day, my accountant was not calling me (with or without medical news) and Bailey was not lost; he was simply standing outside the front door, snow-covered (under cover though on our porch) barking his normal sounds asking to be let back in.

Certainly I felt relief when I woke up and realized that all I was "nightmaring" was merely a dream and not real at all. Still, it felt real so much so that I thought a column commenting on it was appropriate and possibly even therapeutic.

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