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Sharing Design Ideas

“Nature inspired and quirky” describe the hideaway designed by Lauren Liess of Herndon. Grasscloth wall and ceiling coverings, diamond patterned sisal rug, an oversized window seat and a pair of distressed silver sconces are just a few of the cozy elements of Liess’s hideaway at the Spring Design House. See special section, starting on page 17.

Church Receives BZA Blessing

Several conditions imposed to ease traffic concerns.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
CENTRE VIEW

It’s been a long time coming — and a lot of meetings, changes and challenges — but Harvest Chinese Christian Church received approval last week to build a place of worship in Centreville.

The site is four acres at the southwest corner of Route 29 at Cedar Spring Road. And last Wednesday, May 4, the Fairfax County Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) gave the church its blessing. But it didn’t come easily.

“Transportation was a very difficult issue,” said BZA member Jim Hart. “They must build left-turn

and right-turn lanes on Route 29 leading to Cedar Spring Road, and [these improvements] should help with through traffic [on Route 29] in both directions.”

The church originally planned to construct a 17,000-square-foot facility with 400 seats. But to reduce the environmental impact, it eventually pared it down to 10,650 square feet with seats for 250 people.

The building will face Route 29, with entry from Cedar Spring Road, about 300 feet from its intersection with Route 29. Initial plans also included 3,000 square feet for a Monday-through-Friday, child-care center for 50 children

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Help Support Relay for Life

Fast Eddie’s in Centreville hosts May 14 event.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
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It’s always nice when people can have fun while doing something to help others. And that’s what’ll happen this Saturday, May 14, from noon-7 p.m., at Fast Eddie’s in Centreville.

That’s when The Shooting Stars team will hold a fund-raiser for the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. And event organizer Jim

Ohlstrom of Centreville’s Singleton’s Grove community promises a good time for the entire family.

“It’s going to be an awesome event and so much fun for both adults and children,” he said. “It’s by far the largest fund-raiser our team’s done in the seven years we’ve walked in the relay.”

Fast Eddie’s is at 14114 Lee Highway in the Newgate Shopping

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In front of Middle Gate at Cabel's Mill (from left): Nancy Templer, Barbara Small, Cheryl Repetti, Ginger Minshew, Carol Robinson, Peg Dale, Denise Brown and Barbara Wiley.



Members of Beta Zeta, local Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa, and families walk the historic loop at the Visitor's Center, Ellanor C. Lawrence Park, with historical interpreter Cheryl Repetti (center).

Chapter Members Explore Local History

Members of Beta Zeta, local Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa, and families stepped back into Centreville's history as they visited Ellanor C. Lawrence Park and Cabell's Mill on Saturday, April 30. Historical interpreter Cheryl Repetti from Fairfax County Park Authority developed a slide show and talk that showed the people and places of Centreville from colonial days through its involvement in the Civil War to the vast development it is today.

Since the early 1990s, the women educators in Beta

Zeta have provided scholarships for high school seniors in the Centreville area who aspire to be educators themselves.

Their next fundraising activity is a yard sale on Saturday, May 21, on Surrey House Way in Virginia Run. For more information about the yard sale or to make donations to the scholarship fund, contact Chapter President Denise Brown at denisebrown9@cox.net. For more information regarding Ellanor C. Lawrence Park, contact 703-631-0013.

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Sully District CAC Meeting

The next meeting of the Sully District Citizens Advisory Committee will be Tuesday, May 17, at 7 p.m., at the Sully District Governmental Center, 4900 Stonecroft Road, in Chantilly. The topic is "Teens, Alcohol and Drugs, Part II," and parents of teens are encouraged to attend.

Westfield High grad Kyle Guthrie — who spent five days in jail for involuntary manslaughter after a fellow grad was killed — will be the guest speaker. Also speaking will be Sgt. James Cox of the Sully District Police Station; he will discuss the current trends in drug use among Fairfax County's teen-agers.

Poplar Tree Road Widening

Residents may learn more about the Poplar Tree Road widening project at a meeting set for Monday, May 23, from 7-9 p.m., in the Sully District Governmental Center, 4900 Stonecroft Blvd. in Chantilly. In 2007, Fairfax County voters approved a \$110 million Transportation Bond which included funding for the widening of Poplar Tree Road from Sequoia Farms Drive/Sully Station Drive to Braddock Ridge Drive.

Hosted by Supervisor Michael R. Frey (R-Sully) and the county's Department of Public Works, the meeting will explain the project's scope and introduce members of the construction and contractor teams. Afterward, residents may give their comments and feedback.

Help Plan Centreville Day

The public is invited to the next meeting of the Centreville Day planning committee. It's set for Thursday, May 19, at 7:30 p.m., at the Sully District Governmental Center, 4900 Stonecroft Road, in Chantilly. The Friends of Historic Centreville are looking for people with imagination, energy and organizational skills who'd like to learn more about and support their community to help bring back Centreville Day. Committees include entertainment, publicity, history, vendors and more. Contact Cheryl Repetti at cbrepetti@verizon.net or 703 830-5407.

Free Carseat Inspections

Certified technicians from the Sully District Police Station will perform free, child safety carseat inspections Thursday, May 19, 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.

However, because of time constraints, only the first 35 vehicles arriving on each date will be inspected. That way, inspectors may have enough time to properly instruct the caregiver on the correct use of the child seat. Call 703-814-7000, ext. 5140, to confirm dates and times.

Recycle During Electric Sunday

Residents may recycle old TVs, computers, peripheral electronic devices — such as keyboards, speakers, printers and scanners, as well as household hazardous wastes — including fluorescent light bulbs and tubes, for free, during Fairfax County's "Electric Sunday" events. The next one is slated for Sunday, May 22, from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the I-66 Transfer Station, 4618 West Ox Road in Fairfax. For more information, call 703-324-5052.

State Legislators To Speak

Five of Sully District's state legislators will address The Sully District Council of Citizens Associations and its Land-Use Committee. They'll be speaking Wednesday, May 25, at 7 p.m., in the Sully District Governmental Center, 4900 Stonecroft Blvd. in Chantilly. For more information, call Jeff Parnes, evenings, at 703-904-0131.

Giving their reports from Richmond will be state Senators Mark Herring (D-33), Chap Petersen (D-34) and David Marsden (D-

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NEWS



The Bittner home



The Stein home

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'Welcome to Our Houses'

Clifton Spring Homes Tour invites visitors in for a peek.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
CENTRE VIEW

Antiques, original artwork and decorations reflecting the owners' interests are just a few of the treats in store for those attending the 39th annual Clifton Spring Homes Tour. It's slated for Thursday, May 19, from 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., and includes a boutique and silent auction, from 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m., at a marketplace at Paradise Springs Winery's newly completed barn.

Advance tickets are \$20; tour-day tickets, \$25; and single-home admission, \$10. The marketplace activities are free. Lunch will be available at Clifton eateries, and the winery will sell box lunches with advance reservations made at 703-830-9463.

The Clifton Community Woman's Club organizes the tour. All net proceeds support its Charitable Trust which, over the past five years, has contributed more than \$100,000 to local charities and student scholarships. The homes tour is the trust's primary fundraiser and attracts some 600 visitors from throughout the Washington Metropolitan area.

This year's event features five homes, plus the winery's log cabin dating back to the early 1800s on land that was part of the original land grants of Northern Virginia.

"There are 92 members of the Clifton Community Woman's Club and virtually every member volunteers on homes-tour day in one capacity or another," said event Chairman Lynne Garvey Hodge. "This year, we needed over 80 docents to hostess our homes and the cabin."

"It's a beautiful event, and we're grateful to our homeowners who so graciously open their homes for visitors to enjoy," she said. "We also thank Jane Kincheloe Wiles and sons Drew and Kirk, from Paradise Springs Winery, who've generously shared their space and breathtakingly beautiful venue, historic

cabin and new tasting barn with us for the day."

Some parking is available in town, but carpooling is recommended. Free shuttle buses to the homes will leave from Clifton's Ayre Square on Main Street and Paradise Springs Winery, at 13219 Yates Ford Road, approximately every half hour. Shuttles must be used to access the fourth and fifth homes on the tour. Comfortable shoes are advised, and children under 12, including infants, are not allowed inside the homes.

For ticket locations and more information, see <http://cliftoncwc.org/homes-tour-marketplace/> or contact Garvey-Hodge at 703-322-1811 or lynnegarveyhodge@verizon.net. Until her mother, Marion Garvey, died a year ago, they enjoyed going to homes tours together. "I've dedicated my time and energy in chairing this year's tour to special and happy memories of time spent with her," said Garvey Hodge.

Angela Ganey, overseeing the silent auction, anticipates about 100 items, such as foursomes of golf, including cart, \$300 total value, at the Westfield Golf Club and also at the Country Club of Fairfax. There'll be gift certificates to: Ruth Chris Steak House; The Wine House, Fairfax; The Clifton Wine Shop; Tranquility Day Massage, Manassas; Salon Bleu, Tysons Galleria; Persnickey Palm, Leesburg; Saks and Saks salon.

Also up for bid will be four tickets to "Wicked" at The Kennedy Center, four tickets to a George Mason University event, a \$1,300 portrait from Jeff Lubin, a head-and-shoulders pastel portrait from Patty Rice of the Lorton Arts Center, lunch with Del. Tim Hugo (R-40) and lunch with state Sen. George Barker (D-39), as well as a variety of themed gift baskets.

The boutique will feature 11 vendors: Mystic Threads, clothing and accessories for spirited women; Entertaining Designs by Melanie Barry, unique beaded glassware, tableware and accessories; Facetz Designer Jewelry, handcrafted with pearls, crystals and semi-precious gemstones; The Culinary Herb Garden, organic herb mixes, vinegars and oils; Two Laughing Ladies, women's shirts, jewelry and bags; and Fran Spaeder Designs, handmade bags, throws

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The Burdette home



The Mayer home

SCHOOLS

Chantilly High's 25th annual Jazz & Pizzazz show, featuring the Chantilly Jazz and Touch of Class Show Choir, takes the stage Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 25, 26, 27 and 28, at 7 p.m. each night, and Sunday, May 29, at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$10 each at www.chantillychoral.org. They're going fast, so buy them soon, while they're still available.

Congratulations to 16 Centreville Wildcat students, all of whom applied and were selected to attend the prestigious Governor's School this summer: **Adam Beaton, Borahmie Chon, Matthew Darling, Emily Dohse, Alaina Forte, Catherine Fu, Trisha Hajela, David Kilpatrick, Daniel Kim, Lora Kim, Soo Hyen Kim, Kimberly Ona Ayala, Ashima Sekhawat, Georganne Stuebner, Bo-Won Suh and Chantelle Taite.** The Centreville High PTSA will show the film,

"Race to Nowhere," on May 25 from 7 - 9 p.m. This is an opportunity for students, parents and educators in our community to come together to view the film and discuss: How can we best prepare our students to become healthy, bright, and contributing citizens? For online ticket sales go to <http://rtncentrevillehsva.eventbrite.com/>.

The Centreville High SGA will be showing **"Despicable Me"** as its Movie on the Lawn on Saturday, May 14. Admission is \$3. Gates will open at 7:30 p.m. The movie will be shown in the area near the baseball fields. The baseball concession stands will be open.

The Centreville High Choir will be holding its second-annual Yard Sale on Saturday, May 14 from 7 a.m. to noon in front of the school. If you wish to donate items you may drop them off at the Choir

Room from 5-7 p.m. on Friday, May 13 or contact Laura Donohoe at Ldono@hotmail.com or 703-266-7826 to make other arrangements.

The CVHS Touchdown Club will be participating in the Little Rocky Run yard sale on Saturday, May 14, beginning at 8 a.m., at 6208 Springstone Place. The Club is requesting your tax deductible donations, with receipts provided, as well as your patronage. Proceeds raised will help support the CVHS football teams. If you would like to donate, either click the yard sale link at www.cvhstouchdown.com, email touchdown.cvhs@gmail.com, or call Amy at 571-321-0457.

All are invited to the second-annual **JazzCats Cafe** performed by CVHS JazzCats, LMS Jazz Band, and special guests Dave Detwiler and "Blaze" on Fri-

day, May 20 at 7 p.m. in the CVHS cafeteria. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. Desserts and beverages will be served. Ticket reservations can be emailed to joeellenathome@cox.net; tickets will be at the "will call" table or purchased at the door.

General Dynamics and the Wildcat Athletic Boosters will present the 7th Annual Wildcat Classic Golf Tournament on Tuesday, June 7 at Westfields Golf Club in Clifton. The format will be a 4-player captains' choice (or scramble) and will be flighted to recognize both low gross and net. It will feature a \$10,000 hole-in-one and \$2,500 putting contests. Visit www.cvhsgolf.org and click on the tournament link in the upper right.

Brian Randall of Centreville received the Social Sciences Division's Outstanding Elementary Education Graduate Award at Brevard College.

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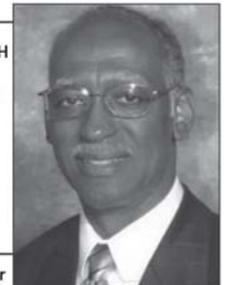
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37), plus Delegates Kenneth Plum (D-36th) and Tom Rust (R-86). Invited but declining to attend were Delegates Mark Keam (D-35), Tim Hugo (R-40) and Jim LeMunyon (R-67).

WFCM Seeks Food And Needs Volunteers

Western Fairfax Christian Ministries' (WFCM) food pantry urgently needs donations of jelly, jam, canned pasta, cooking oil (24-48 oz.); mayonnaise (16-32 oz.); ketchup; mustard; juice (64 oz. or smaller); sugar (2-5-lbs.); white rice (1-3 lbs.); instant cocoa; pancake mix; pancake syrup; canned potatoes, collard greens, beets, spinach, mustard greens, carrots, meat and fruit.

Also needed are toiletries, laundry detergent (for 32 loads or less), deodorant, shampoo and toothpaste. Bring all items to WFCM's food pantry at 13981 Metrotech Drive (near the Backyard Grill and Bar) in Chantilly. Several volunteers are also needed:

Food Pantry:

- ❖ The food pantry needs a two-person, volunteer team to pick up from the Fair Lakes Bloom on Mondays at 9:30 a.m.
- ❖ A volunteer to pick up from the Union Mill Giant on Thursdays at 9:30 a.m.
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Relay for Life

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Center off Route 29. The event will feature four live bands, games, children's activities, raffles, door prizes, a silent auction, and free bull-riding and billiards. Donations of \$5 at the door would be appreciated.

Team member Mike Bailey, owner of Potomac Records of Centreville www.potomacrecords.com, is also helping with the event. He got all the bands to help The Shooting Stars raise money for the relay by playing for free. Modern Thieves, 300 Proof, Brygger, and Tilt will perform both covers and originals of Southern, classic and modern rock music.

"Each band plays for one hour, with a half-hour break in between," said Ohlstrom. "During the breaks, there'll be kids' games — limbo, musical chairs and balloon pop. There'll also be a moonbounce and face painting."

Tournaments will begin at 2 p.m. Dart tournaments are \$10/person and the winner gets half the money. Corn-hole (beanbag-toss) tournaments are \$25/team,

with the winning team also receiving half the money. Running the corn-hole competition is Friends of the Wounded Veterans (www.fotwv.org).

There's also a Skee-ball tournament, with players vying for a 7-inch Notebook computer with Windows CE. Donating the prize is A.J. Video Amusements, the vendor who has a Skee-ball game in Fast Eddie's.

For \$5 donations, attendees will receive five raffle tickets; \$10 donors will get 15 tickets. There'll be 15-20 door prizes, plus raffles for large prizes including mountain bikes, two flat-screen TVs and a \$200 U-Haul gift certificate.

A 50/50 raffle is also planned, with tickets \$1 each. Winners will be called every two hours and will receive half the pot. Regarding the silent auction, bids will be for the construction of an 8x10-foot deck outside the winner's home. Bids will start at \$500; the deck is valued at \$2,700.

"Fast Eddie's has helped us out by donating prizes from their vendors, giving us free billiards and

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Some members of The Shooting Stars Relay for Life team are (top row, from left) Ryan Johnson, Chase Leslie, Jeff Greer and Canon Leslie; (middle row, from left) Dave Greer, Cathy Greer, Sharon Corbin, Tim Johnson, Jim Ohlstrom, Betsy Johnson, Kim Kovacic, team captain DeAnna Kessler and Mike Bailey; and (bottom row, from left) Cindy Julius and Doug Kessler.



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Fund-Raiser Saturday for Relay for Life

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bull rides all day and promoting us throughout all their restaurants," said Ohlstrom. "Rob Jirak, general manager of the Centreville Fast Eddie's, is bringing the moonbounce and got some of his vendors to donate raffle and door prizes."

Jirak is also donating the person in charge of sound, plus the deejay for the music played between the bands' performances. During the event, both the indoor and outdoor bars will be open, but the indoor bar will be nonsmoking.

Ohlstrom says his 31-member relay team hopes to raise \$10,000 at this event. "It's been a lot of fun to organize," he said. "And we've all been touched by cancer in one way

or another, through friends and family."

The Relay for Life is June 4 and, to both Bailey and Shooting Stars team captain DeAnna Kessler, it's personal. Kessler, of Country Club Manor, lost her grandmother to cancer in March 2003, and Bailey's father succumbed to it in October 2010.

"My father was battling it for a few years, and I was always taking him to Georgetown University Hospital's Lombardi Cancer Center for treatments, check-ups,

etc.," said Bailey. "It was tough seeing your dad — the strong one — completely deteriorate due to this disease. So I enjoy helping and participating in the relay in any way I can."

When her grandmother died, said Kessler, "That was a difficult time for me because we were very close and she was an important part of my life. Not a day goes by that I don't think of her. I wanted to do something in her memory and started giving the Relay for Life some thought."

So in 2005, she started a team. The first year, it had just 10 members, but they raised about \$2,000. The team quickly grew to more than 30 members and last year raised \$10,000. Proceeds help fund research toward a cure for cancer.

The Centreville Relay has also grown over the past few years from 100 to 600 participants. Some 300 people are already signed up for this year's relay, with nearly two months left to register. Go to http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR?fr_id=33317&pg=entry.

In 2010 the Centreville Relay received two American Cancer Society South Atlantic Division awards. (The South Atlantic Division consists of all the relays in Virginia,

Maryland, Delaware, Georgia and North and South Carolina). One award was for the highest percentage of increase in fundraising from 2009-2010. The other was for "The Spirit of Relay."

Kessler called the luminaria ceremony the most moving part of the relay. "They turn down the lights, show a slide show and read the names on all the luminaria bags," she said. "The glow from the luminaria bags and the candles we hold are the only light during the ceremony."

"I hope and pray that some day soon there will be a cure so that we do not continue to lose the people we love to cancer," said Kessler. "Until then, we will continue to support those fighting cancer, admire the survivors, honor those lost and never, ever give up hope that one day our world will be cancer-free." That's why she and the other Shooting Stars members are hoping for a large turnout at Saturday's fund-raiser. Said Ohlstrom: "It's going to be a great time for such a wonderful cause."

"I hope and pray that some day soon there will be a cure so that we do not continue to lose the people we love to cancer."

— DeAnna Kessler



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OPINION

In Recognition of Small Business Week

Show support for local businesses May 15-21, small business week.

Small businesses, especially locally owned retail stores and restaurants, are part of what defines any community. Their livelihood depends on the livability and quality of the neighborhoods around them.

Frequently, it is the small retail person who is active as a volunteer in fundraising and advocating for local charities, for fire and rescue service, for local schools and in organizing community events.

Local retail stores, mom-and-pop stores and restaurants, have weathered some very tough times in the last few years. Many of the costs of doing business have increased, (price of gas, for example) while many businesses defined a successful year in 2010 if revenues did not decline — again — from the previous year.

And small businesses are critical to economic recovery. In Virginia, small businesses make up more than 97 percent of employers and nearly

50 percent of non-government employment.

And while Northern Virginia's economy has fared far better than almost any other region in the country, small, locally owned, community-oriented businesses have not universally shared in bounty.

The small business owner must be master of the budget and doing more with less. He or she must stay up to date on changing regulations while they market their business, manage benefits and employee schedules and maintain the company's edge in serving its customers.

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From May 15-20, show support to your locally owned small businesses. Shop locally. Eat locally. Greet the business owner and tell her that you're there this week to support small, local business.

Then be sure to come back on a regular basis. Your hometown quality of life depends on it.

Local Winners

Washington Metropolitan Area District Office of the Small Business Administration will honor several local business people and organizations this week.

This year's Washington Metro Minority Business Champion is Danny Vargas of Herndon, president of VARCom Solutions, a marketing and public relations firm. A U.S. Air Force veteran and former Fortune 500 executive, he served as chairman of the Dulles Regional Chamber of Commerce, the first Hispanic to chair a mainstream chamber in Virginia, according to the chamber. Vargas grew the Dulles Hispanic Business Council and developed a professional support program for local small business owners. Vargas also serves on the advisory board of the Virginia Chamber of Commerce, the Commission of the National Museum of the American Latino, the Virginia Workforce Council, and the Board of the Northern Virginia Family Service.

Small Business Development Center of Excellence and Innovation award this year honors the Mason Small Business Development Center at George Mason University for providing value to small businesses through innovation. The Mason Small Business Development has a team of certified small business counselors who have helped more than 765 entrepreneurs in the past two years, nurturing more than 60 startup companies and retaining more than 1,200 area jobs.

Reporting on Day 1 of Police Unity Tour

The following is Kevin Whalen's first-person account of the first day (May 10) of the Police Unity Tour.

6:59 a.m.

Dear friends, family and supporters.

We are preparing our bikes and bodies to leave Richmond on our first leg to Charlottesville, 90 miles of hills. Keep us safe with your thoughts and prayers, and thank a police officer today for his or her service.

ON THE ROAD

Last night I gave out motivational cards to all the riders, made by my son Connor and his 4th grade class Ms Harmon, at Colin Powell Elementary School, and Ms Coulter 2nd grade. All of the cops and feds love them. Favorite line is "You can do it!"

8:57 p.m.

Hi everyone,

What a ride today, from Richmond to Charlottesville. The weather was awesome. Got hot after lunch though, with some sunburn on the legs. The rolling country roads were beautiful to see on a bike, but easier on your body in a car;). I burned 5250 calories today, pedaling 92 miles. Everyone used their Colin Powell cards to get them through it, and we said "We can do it", in the Adam Sandler voice from "Water Boy." My son Connor and his schoolmates set us up good;).

Before we began our ride we had speeches from some of the Fairfax County PD survivors, especially Mrs. Garbarino and her two daughters. Every one of the 65 riders takes a turn at breaks in the day to talk to our group about the officer they are riding for. We all got pumped up to ride strong. I will have my turn tomorrow to get us all pumped up again. Two

of the 12 motorcycles that are escorting us and protecting us in this ride are Virginia State Troopers. They said thanks to me for riding for their fallen officer, Trooper Mark Barrett. It feels good to ride for the officer they lost. I also received an email from Mrs. Barrett, and she will be meeting me in D.C. with her two children to receive the bracelet I am wearing in his honor.

We did have some rough times today. Everyone was talking with each other during the ride in the morning and helping each other make it to lunch. I brought up the rear a couple times and helped some of the tired riders make it over the hills. In the afternoon, the sun kicked in and everyone started to feel their bodies get tired and hurting. We all rode 2x2 and drafted each other in unison and were quiet in our thoughts for who each of us rode for, and why. We rode as one for those who died in the line of duty.

With 75 miles in, we had two biker accidents. One with a female Fairfax officer clipping my rear wheel by accident, and falling off her bike and rolling off the road and down a hill. Our medics took care of her quickly and she checked out OK at the hospital with a bruised shoulder. She's tough and was lucky, and she's getting on the bike again in the morning. Another happened soon after with two riders hitting each other and falling in front of me. Miraculously, neither were hurt bad, and no one else crashed into them. We all finished safe, toasted a few cold ones, had dinner together and laughed about the stories from today.

Tomorrow, we know it's going to be tougher. We leave at 8 a.m. for Warrenton. 80 miles of bigger hills. We need your prayers to keep us safe and help us make it. On Thursday, Warrenton to Centreville to D.C. will be a



Kevin Whalen

breeze. On funny stories, I became the "Flagman." I have a bag on the back of my bike, full of small U.S. flags, handing out to people who cheer and wave us on. For law enforcement, I hand out the blue ribbons to put on the police motorcycles and cars and trucks we have. I'm saving a batch for Centreville;). We need you and the community to cheer us on Route 29 Thursday, May 12, around 9:30-9:45, from Route 66 to Route 28, to Pickwick, to Stringfellow, to West Ox. Hope to see some of you.

Thanks,
Kevin

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The sisters of the Greater Northern Virginia Council of Beta Sigma Phi donated \$1,000 to the Virginia Task Force 1 Fairfax County Urban Search & Rescue (USAR). As a service sorority, members from our council of Beta Sigma Phi met with the team after their return from helping tsunami victims in Japan and chose to designate the donation to the K-9 unit. The rescue dogs are not funded and are most often individually owned and trained. With members of the VATF-1 team are GNVC executive board members, from left, Larissa Miller, vice-president; Bonnie Fairbank, president; and Patty Byrd, treasurer. See www.betasigmaphi.org

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Sharing Belief In Common Good

To the Editor:

In life we are given one voice. I choose to use mine to stand with Saira Bhatti, a teenager from Centreville. Our community supports her statement. She showed commendable leadership in her commentary ["Common Evil," CentreView, May 5] as she shared her relief and pride as an American Muslim upon learning of the death of Osama bin Laden.

As an American born in Fairfax County with German ancestry, I feel empathy and am thankful for Saira's courage in standing against evil.

Our community stands together lifting our voices against the common evils of terrorism and tyranny. To paraphrase a quote attributed to Edmund Burke, "All that is necessary for the triumph of evil is for good people to do nothing."

Will Radle

The writer is an independent candidate for chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors. Reach him at FairfaxAdvocates@gmail.com.

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To have community events listed in Centre View, e-mail to centerreview@connectionnewspapers.com. Call Steve Hibbard at 703-778-9412.

Smart Markets Centreville kicked off its summer season May 6 at 5875 Trinity Parkway in Centreville. The guaranteed producer-only farmers' market offers shoppers an array of delicious fruits, vegetables, baked goods, wines and prepared foods. Smart Markets will operate every Friday through the end of October from 3:30-6:30 p.m.

Westfield Summer Stage celebrates 11 years of summer musicals with the classic Kander and Ebb musical "Chicago," which dances its way onto the Westfield High School in late July. Prospective cast members should attend an audition workshop on May 16 at 6:30 p.m. where material for the vocal and dance auditions will be taught. Auditions are May 21, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Callbacks are May 22 from 2 to 5 p.m. Rehearsals begin June 27, and are on weekday evenings until the performances July 21-24. All activities are at Westfield High School in Chantilly.

Auditions are open to Northern Virginia students

in rising grades 7-12, plus 2011 high school graduates. All roles are open including Roxie Hart, Velma Kelly, Mama Morton, Amos Hart, Billy Flynn, Mary Sunshine, and the Emcee, plus the Dance Company and Ensemble. Approximately 45 actors will be cast in the production, which will be directed by the long-time Summer Stage team of Lori Knickerbocker (director), Yvonne Henry (choreographer), Charlie Manship (musical director), and Carol Jones (vocal director). The workshop fee is \$300. Visit www.westfieldtheatreboosters.com or call 703-488-6439.

Craft Vendors are needed for the Holiday Bazaar and Craft Fair on Saturday, Nov. 12 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Centreville United Methodist Church, 6400 Old Centreville Road. Leased spaces for vendors are going quickly. Contact novemberbazaar@hotmail.com or 703-830-2684.

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- ❖ Thursday, May 26 — 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.
- ❖ Tuesday, June 14 — 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
- ❖ Thursday, June 23 — 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

THURSDAY/MAY 12

Auditions for "Hairspray." Thursday, May 12 from 6 to 9 p.m. Presented by The Alliance Theatre, a western Fairfax County community theatre group. At Mountain View School in Centreville. Call backs will be held Saturday, May 14 from 1 to 4 p.m. at Mountain View School. Contact Sarah Meiburg at 571-213-3170 or sarah.meiburg@hazelnutmarketing.com.

MAY 13-14-15

Capital Cabaret: Presented by The Alliance Theatre at Mountain View High School, this event features music from several Broadway shows, plus favorites from the 1950s, '60s, '70s and '80s. May 13-14 at 7:30 p.m.; May 8 and 15 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$10; group orders are available via www.thealliancetheatre.org or e-mail boxoffice@thealliancetheatre.org. Mountain View is at 5775 Spindle Court, behind Glory Days Grill in Centreville.

FRIDAY/MAY 13

All Members Meeting. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The MOMS Club of Clifton/Centreville South will be holding their monthly All Members Meeting at Little Rocky Run Rec Center #1, at 13775 Little Rock Run Circle, Centreville. This meeting will be open to all new and prospective moms who are interested in learning more about the club. The MOMS Club of Clifton/Centreville-South chapter is for moms living in the 20121 and 20124 ZIP codes. A light lunch and refreshments will be served. Kids will be able to enjoy crafts and games. To RSVP, email Julia Campbell at memberinfo.ccs@gmail.com.

MOMS Club Meeting. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The MOMS Club of Clifton/Centreville South will be holding their monthly All Members Meeting at Little Rocky Run Rec Center #1, at 13775 Little Rock Run Circle, Centreville. This meeting will be open to all new and prospective moms who are interested in learning more about the club. The MOMS Club of Clifton/Centreville-South chapter is for moms living in the 20121 and 20124 ZIP codes. To RSVP, email Julia Campbell at memberinfo.ccs@gmail.com.

SATURDAY/MAY 14

Flea Market. 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oakton Baptist Church of Chantilly is sponsoring a Flea Market. Coffee, donuts, chips, hot dogs, and soda will also be available. The church is located at Route 50 and Sullyfield Circle, Chantilly.

Spring Carnival. 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. (closed 4:30-6:30 p.m.) Pony rides, bungee jumping, slides, magic shows (11:30 and 1:30 p.m.), Vencro wall, preschool pirate cove play area and more. Two live bands perform from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. At St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic School in Clifton.

Spring Jam Fest. 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. A Christian rock, alternative, metal and hip hop music outreach festival. Featuring P.O.D., Brian "Head" Welch, Emery, DA T.R.U.T.H., Run Kid Run, War of Ages, and DJ Promote. Conceived by Jonathan Slye, age 17. At Bull Run Park's Special Events Center, 7700 Bull Run Drive, Centreville. For tickets, go to <http://springjamfest.com/>.

"Rocknoceros Rocks for Preemies." 11 a.m. A fundraiser for the Preemies Today Organization, a nonprofit that helps families affected by prematurity. At Green Acres Center, 4401 Sideburn Road in Fairfax. Afterward, food will be available from Pat Troy's Irish Pub, and there'll be raffles and a huge silent auction. Purchase tickets at www.preemiestoday.org. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Children under 1 are free. Centreville's Georgie Heard, whose twin sons were born prematurely, is helping organize the event.

Super Science Saturdays. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free. The theme

is "Astronomy." Super Science Saturdays take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the second Saturday of each month, offering activities focused a different science concept. Through demonstrations and hands-on activities, visitors will become immersed in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) topics related to aviation and space exploration. At the National Air and Space Museum, Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center, 14390 Air and Space Museum Parkway, Chantilly. Visit: <http://www.nasm.si.edu/events/superscience/>.

Annual Plant Sale. 9 a.m. Perennials, annuals and herbs for sale by Centreville Garden Club. In front of Giant Food, 5615 Stone Road, Sully Station, Centreville. Learn more at centrevillegardenclub.blogspot.com or email: centrevillegardenclub@gmail.com. Call 703-815-1722.

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Puma Pounce 5K Race and 1.5 Mile Fun Run. All runners who register before April 9th are guaranteed a race T-shirt and goodie bag. Entry fee is \$20 before April 9 and \$25 after. Same day registration begins at 7:30 a.m. on May 14. Race begins at 8:30 a.m. Entry form is available at Colin Powell Elementary School or on PTA website at www.cpespta.org. Email Michele at mmezher@juno.com. At Colin Powell Elementary School, 13340 Leland Road, Centreville.

MONDAY/MAY 16

Open House. 6:15 to 7:45 p.m. Pender American Heritage Girl Scout Troop 1907 will host an open house. At Pender United Methodist Church, 12401 Alder Woods Drive, Fairfax. Visit the website at www.ahgonline.org or contact Cherie Kronimus at 703-815-6197 or ahg1907@gmail.com.

MAY 19, 20, 21

Blackbox Art Intensive. Theater students at Chantilly High will present an experimental-theater performance at an event called Blackbox Art Intensive. The school's blackbox theater (Room 106) will be transformed into an apartment in Paris. Show times are Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 19, 20 and 21, at 8 p.m. Andrew Reid plays Henry, Amanda Miesner is Sonia, Shaan Sharma portrays Hubert and Kelsey Monk plays Inez. Directed by Shannon Khatcheressian. Seating is limited. Tickets are \$5 at the door or via www.chantillyhsdrama.com.

THURSDAY/MAY 19

Clifton Spring Homes Tour. 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Advance tickets/\$20; day of tour/\$25; single home/\$10. Tour five decorated homes; boutique shop; silent auction; tour the Paradise Springs Winery; box lunches (\$12.95; \$19.95 with wine). Call Lynne Garvey-Hodge at 703-322-1811; lghassoc@erols.com; lynnegarveyhodge@verizon.net; Cliftoncwc.org

Operation School Bell Weekend Food for Kids. 1 p.m. Assistance League of Northern Virginia Operation School Bell Weekend Food for Kids. At the Sully Government Center, 4900 Stonecroft Blvd., Chantilly. Volunteers are invited to help pack over 1,000 bags of food for distribution at three Title 1 schools in Northern Virginia. Contact Linda at 703-591-2312 or lindamshilts@gmail.com or www.northernvirginia.assistanceleague.org.

MAY 20-22

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SATURDAY/MAY 21

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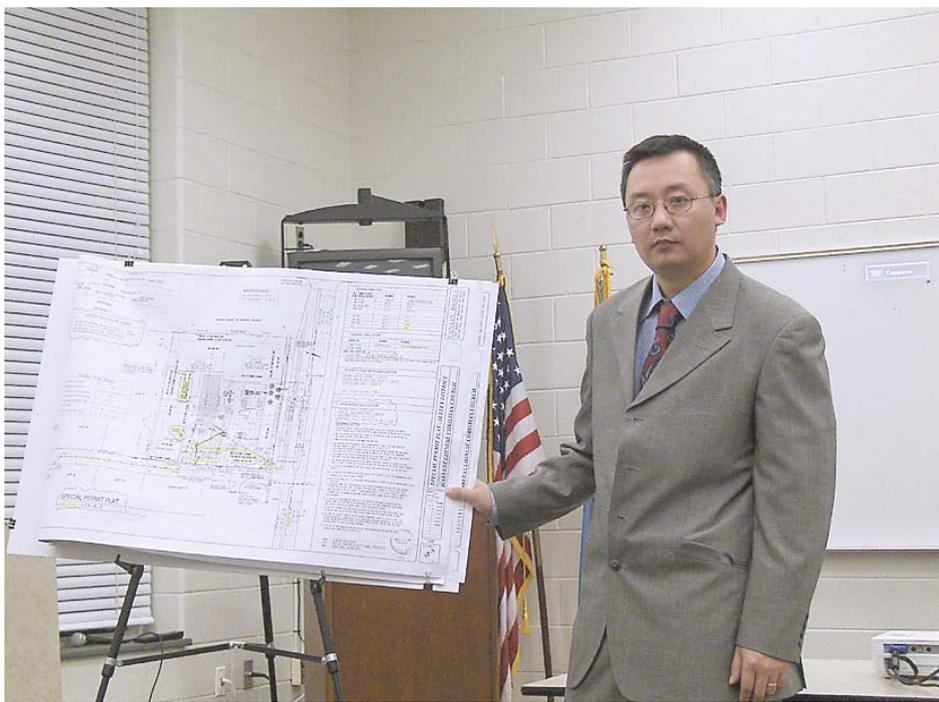


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David Lu presents details of Harvest Chinese Christian Church's site plan.

Church Receives BZA Blessing

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and seven staff members. But that's been scrapped, so child care will now only be available Sunday mornings.

The BZA public hearing was Jan. 5 and, at that time, Hart presented his concerns. "We have the Korean church [along Route 29] and, across the street, the Baptist church," he said. "But on Sundays now, the Korean church has four services and closes the right lane [of Route 29], and the Baptist church closes the left lane.

"Cars go 50 mph or faster, and there's a weaving motion to get from one lane to another because of the police and cones at the lane closures. That [driving behavior] happens right where this application is, so everybody living down Cedar Spring has no way out. If one car coming from [Harvest Chinese] Church tries to turn left, it backs up everything behind it to the church and all the houses."

Exacerbating the problem, said Hart, are the thousands of cars leaving Korean Central Presbyterian Church. And even if the stoplight at Route 29 and Pleasant Valley Road turns green, nearly all the traffic coming from the Virginia Run community turns left on Route 29 so, said Hart, "There's no break for people coming from Harvest Chinese to turn left."

He also wondered about coordination of the different churches' services in regard to the traffic situation, but Harvest Chinese representative David Lu assured him that "We're going to coordinate with the other two churches and use police to regulate the traffic."

"We'll also shift our services' hours so they won't conflict with the times people are leaving the other churches," added Lu. "If we can stagger our times by 10 minutes, it will help. Our church has about 200 people and we anticipate having one service."

Hart said that, if Harvest Chinese had interparcel access to the traffic light at Route 29 and Pleasant Valley Road, in front of Bull Run Elementary, drivers leaving the church

could exit easily. But for security reasons, the School Board said no.

Overall, though, said Hart, church members were pleased with the BZA's approval last week and will comply with the conditions it imposed. "Subject to VDOT and police approval, the church must have a police officer helping Cedar Spring residents turn left out of their neighborhood on Sundays," he said.

Regarding the Route 29 turn-lane construction, Hart said there's only a median break now at Cedar Spring, "So cars turning left onto Cedar Spring stop in the through lane, can back up traffic on Route 29 and can get rear-ended by other cars. A turn lane will get them out of harm's way and will also minimize conflict between them and traffic going to Virginia Run."

In addition, the right-turn will include a 10-foot-wide sidewalk, trail and bike lane. And Centreville Baptist Church will close its entrance from Route 29 there, enabling Harvest Chinese to have enough room for its left-turn lane.

Since the church will be built on environmentally sensitive land, at least 50 percent of its property must remain undisturbed open space. But, said Hart, "We're also requiring some additional landscaping, partly for buffering purposes."

Also with an eye toward protecting the nearby neighbors, the BZA prohibited the church from having outside loudspeakers. And although the church initially planned a chain-link fence between its property and that of neighbor Susan Needham — who's lived in Cedar Spring more than 15 years — the BZA agreed with an earlier recommendation from the West Fairfax County Citizens Association (WFCCA) Land-Use Committee that it be a wooden fence.

When Harvest Chinese is finally built, it will join three other churches (including Centreville Presbyterian) in close proximity to each other along Route 29. But, said Hart, "Compared to the churches around it, it will be much smaller."

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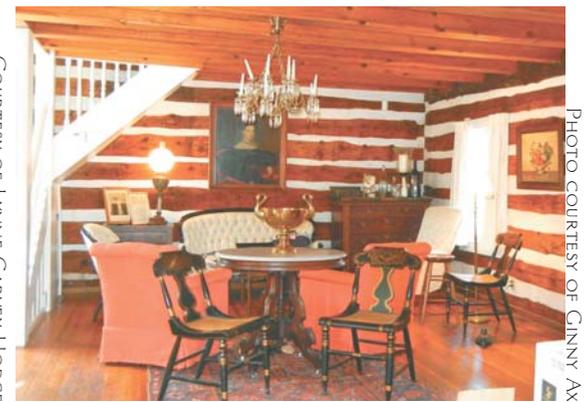
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There's a French Provincial kitchen, a red dining room and bedrooms furnished with family antiques. For entertaining, the house also has a bar that came from a Washington, D.C., restaurant, a billiard room

and an upright piano.

THE MAYER HOUSE

Owned by Kathleen and Jack Mayer, this Georgian-style brick Colonial on Wyckland Drive has a wealth of architectural details, including four arches leading from one room to another, heavy moldings and clamshell niches. But the focal point is the double staircase. Designer paints adorn each room, and the oval dining-room table was created by Keith Fritz who also made a table for former President Bill Clinton. It's made of French walnut and can seat 20. The home also contains a wine cellar, plus artwork by David Cochran.

THE JONES HOUSE

The large, hilltop home of Pam and Rob Jones on Yates Ford Road has a cream-colored-brick exterior with black trim. The living and dining rooms are painted in a deep blue to match the Jones's collection of Delft china. Pam grew up on a farm, and the chicken and rooster decorations in the central kitchen are reminiscent of her roots.

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Westfield Baseball Bats Sizzling on Senior Night

Bulldogs set to wrap up regular season schedule with game at Oakton on Friday night.

BY RICH SANDERS
CENTRE VIEW

Two of the top high school baseball teams in the Concorde District - Westfield, an established, year-in and year-out Northern Region force, and Herndon, one of the better up-and-coming programs in the region - met in a key, late regular season game last Friday night.

While neither squad entered the contest atop the district standings - that accolade going to Oakton High - both teams are highly regarded and will likely enter next week's district tournament with good seedings.

On Friday, it was Westfield, playing at home and celebrating its Senior Night, which stepped up with a huge, momentum-building win, overcoming an early deficit and defeating the Hornets, 12-2, in a contest that ended in the fifth inning due to the 10-run mercy rule.

Westfield, ahead by a comfortable 10-2 lead, scored two more runs in the bottom of the fifth inning. The latter run, with one out, crossed the plate on senior catcher Hayden Ferington's RBI groundout to create a 10-run differential and automatically end the game.

Ferington, one of the seven Westfield seniors honored during special pre-game Senior Night festivities, had a big game that included an RBI double, an RBI single, three runs scored, and the game-ending RBI groundout.



Westfield pitcher Kyle Corwin tossed four solid innings to earn the decision in the Bulldogs' home win over Herndon last Friday night.

"The emotions were definitely running high," said Ferington, of the Senior Night celebratory that took place.

Westfield, with the win, improved its record to 14-3 overall and 6-2 in the district. The Bulldogs, less than two weeks earlier, had lost at Herndon, 9-4, on April 25 and were looking to square things up in Friday's meeting.

"We wanted to show that the last time we had lost to them - that we're better than that," said Ferington.

Westfield, last year's district tournament champions, will enter the district playoffs next Wednesday, May 18 as either the No. 1 or 2 seed. The Bulldogs, vying with cur-



Aaron Hoover knocked an RBI triple during Westfield's Senior Night victory.

rent first place team Oakton (14-4 overall, 7-1 district) for regular season championship honors, are scheduled to wrap up the regular season this week with district road games at Chantilly on Tuesday, May 10, and at Oakton this Friday night, May 13 at 6:30. The regular season-finale game with Oakton, which defeated Westfield, 5-4, in a home game on April 26, will likely finalize top seedings for districts.

"We're trying to give ourselves some momentum for the district tournament," said Westfield junior pitcher Kyle Corwin, who went four innings to earn the win over Herndon on Friday.

Corwin said winning Friday's game for the 12th grade members of the team was especially important for him and his fellow underclassmen teammates.

"On Senior Night, we wanted to get a win

for our seniors and send them off on a good note," said Corwin.

Herndon (9-4 overall, 4-4 district), while out of the running for the No. 1 or 2 seeds for districts, has plenty to play for over the remainder of this season. The Hornets, who did not qualify for the 16-team Northern Region playoffs last year, are determined to do so this season. To make regionals, Herndon must win a first round district tournament game next week. Coach Greg Miller's squad will likely go into the districts as a No. 4 seed. Herndon was set to wrap up its regular season schedule this week with district games against host Robinson on Tuesday and against visiting Chantilly this Friday night at 6:30.

"What we have to do is put [the loss to

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CVHS SPORTS NOTEBOOK

BY KAREN FULKERSON

Touchdown Club Yard Sale: The CVHS Touchdown Club will be participating in the Little Rocky Run Yard Sale on Saturday, May 14, beginning at 8 a.m., at 6208 Springstone Place. The Club is requesting tax deductible donations, with receipts provided, as well as patronage. Proceeds raised will help support the CVHS football teams. To donate, either click the yard sale link at www.cvhstouchdown.com, email touchdown.cvhs@gmail.com, or call Amy at 571-321-0457.

Wildcat Physicals: Physical Nights for the 2011-2012 seasons are here. The first one is Tuesday, May 24 at Family Medicine of Clifton (6201 Centreville Road, Suite 100) from 6-8 p.m. The second physical night is Thursday,

June 9 at Centreville High School from 6-8 p.m. To register, click on News on the school athletic website, www.wearecville.com. Make sure to have the newly revised physical form completed. After June 9 anyone who chooses to participate in any activity (pre-season conditioning, camp, practice, etc) is required to have a completed physical form. Students will not be able to participate until they have one.

Boys Tennis: Congratulations to the four members of the boys' tennis team who were selected to represent Centreville High School at the Concorde District Tournament last week, held at Robinson. Nick Bilyeu and Nahom Endrias were the number one and number two singles players for the Wildcats, respectively, and together they played as the number one

doubles team. Dillon Dull and Andrew Shim were Centreville's number two doubles team. Both Bilyeu and Endrias won their first-round singles matches. Bilyeu convincingly won his first round match against Oakton High School, 10-6, and Endrias won against Westfield High School by a score of 10-8. Each then lost in the second round to the top two players in the district (Philip Nelson of Herndon and Tim Farrell of Robinson). Bilyeu and Endrias made it to the semifinals in doubles, playing an extremely tough match yet pulling off a win over Oakton, 10-3. They lost to Robinson's No. 1 team in the semifinals.

Softball: The varsity and JV softball squads faced Westfield for the second time on Monday, May 2, and both teams recorded losses:

varsity 12-2, and JV 20-4.

On Tuesday, the JV Squad played at home against Herndon in a 13-2 victory. The JV Wildcats showed a strong lineup with Victoria Richards, Leah DeVera, and Sarah Hudson going 3 for 4 at the plate. Strong defensive play was demonstrated by Angela Langdon and Erin Seabrook. Taking the win, Sarah Hudson finished the game with 10 strikeouts from the mound.

The varsity fell to Chantilly twice this week. On Thursday, May 5 the varsity lost 2-1, and on Friday, May 6 it fell 4-2.

The Wildcats' varsity was scheduled to finish out their regular season play with the following matchups: Monday, May 9 home versus Herndon, 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, May 10 home versus Oakton (Teacher Appreciation Night), 6:30; Wednesday, May 11 at

Herndon, 6:30; and Thursday, May 12, home versus Robinson (Senior Night), at 6.

The JV Wildcats' remaining schedule: Tuesday, May 10 at Oakton, 6:30; Wednesday, May 11 at Yorktown, 6:30; and Thursday, May 12 at Robinson, 6:30.

Girls Lacrosse: The final regular season game for the CVHS varsity girls' lacrosse team was a hard-won 14-12 victory over district opponent Herndon. Senior Taylor O'Hara was huge on the draw, winning 75 percent and giving the Wildcats clear opportunities to test their offense. Battling back time after time, juniors Maggie Dulkerian (6 goals) and Hayley Anderson (4 goals and 2 assists), along with sophomore Carly Sane (3 goals and one assist), demon-

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Bats Sizzle on Senior Night

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Westfield] behind us," said Miller. "The loss is disappointing. We didn't really match their intensity tonight. It's not that we didn't play hard. We've still got a good team. Maybe this is what we need - sometimes a loss can give you a spark."

HERNDON SCORED two runs in the top of the second inning to jump ahead of Westfield, 2-0. Parker Hill, a junior left fielder, smacked a one out, line drive single into center field to start the rally. Junior third baseman Chris Dugan, from the No. 7 spot in the batting order, then sent a sizzling, opposite field line drive down the first base line for an RBI triple. The next batter, sophomore first baseman Austin Schnarrs, plated Dugan with an RBI ground out to make it 2-0 Hornets.

But those would be the only two runs Herndon would get. For the game, Corwin, Westfield's right-handed starting pitcher, limited Herndon to the two runs and four hits over his four innings of work. He struck out five and walked none. Westfield's Johnny Gullette pitched one inning of scoreless relief.

Following the second inning, Herndon's only base hits came from leadoff hitting second baseman Dylan Garten (third inning single) and sophomore Ky Parrott (fourth inning infield single). There were other instances in which Herndon players hit the ball well only to see Westfield outfielders make good plays - such as a deep fly ball to center fielder Danny Bulas off the bat of Tyler Reif in the first inning, and another ball hit by Reif in the third inning which resulted in a nifty, sliding catch by Westfield right

fielder Matt Pisarcik.

Westfield did not score off Herndon starting pitcher Addison Wright (3 innings) in the first inning. But the Bulldogs scored four in the bottom of the second to take a 4-2 lead before getting another run in the third and five more in the fourth.

Westfield knocked around three doubles in the second - two baggers by Wade Arduini, Ferington (RBI), and No. 9 hitter Pisarcik (2 RBI). In the third, Arduini, a junior first baseman, hit another double before scoring on an RBI single into center field by Ferington to make the score 5-2.

Key Westfield base hits in the five-run fourth inning came from senior left fielder Aaron Hoover (RBI triple) and Corwin (RBI single). Multi-hit games for the Bulldogs came from Hoover (3 hits), Corwin (2 hits), Arduini (2 hits), Ferington (2 hits), and Pisarcik (2 hits).

It was a rare tough showing for Wright, the Herndon pitcher who has been a key part of the Hornets' success this spring.

"Addison has had a great year," said Miller, the Herndon coach.

Corwin, the Westfield starter, just wanted to keep his team in the game early on.

"My job as a pitcher is not to strike everybody out, but to hold them to a limited amount of runs and keep us in the game," said Corwin. "I didn't want the game to slip away [in Herndon's, 2-run second inning]."

Ferington, the Bulldogs' catcher, was pleased with Corwin's showing.

"He spotted his fastball pretty well and his curve was over the plate," said Ferington.

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strated the strong strides the team has made toward success at the net. Also scoring for Centreville was junior Molly Donovan (1 goal). Senior Mackenzie Johnson had two caused turnovers and, along with sophomore Danielle Smith, had three ground balls. The Wildcats remained tough on the defense, successfully holding back the Hornets' relentless runs on the net. Later that week the first game of the Concorde District quarterfinals against Robinson was a season-ending 14-7 loss. Centreville came out strong and held a tight contest in the first half despite the loss of key midfielder Carly Sane to injury early on. Hayley Anderson (3 goals and 1 assist) and Maggie Dulkerain (3 goals) pressured the Rams' defense consistently. Also scoring for the Wildcats were Jessica Kim (1 goal) and Danielle Smith (1 goal). Sophomore goalie Taylor Marrow ended a successful first season in the cage with 9 saves against a powerful Rams offense. The loss brought the Lady Wildcats' season to a close with a respectable 6-7 record.

Girls Soccer: The Lady Wildcats' varsity soccer team suffered their first loss of the season at the

hands of rival Chantilly High School, with a final score of 1-0. The Chargers scored early in the first half on a penalty kick, and hung on for the victory despite a strong run from the Wildcats. Goalie Taylor Avery, who recently signed her Letter of Intent to play for the College of Charleston, had five saves for the game. The team is now 9-1, 3-1 in the Concorde District and they have outscored their opponents this season by a combined total of 34-4.

Boys Lacrosse: The Centreville High varsity boys lacrosse team played its last game of the season Friday night, May 6, against Oakton High School in the first round of the Concorde District Tournament. The game was very close throughout the first three quarters, but the Oakton Cougars pulled ahead during the fourth quarter and ultimately defeated the CVHS Wildcats, 15-8. Zack Sikora led the team with 4 goals; Andy Balberde had 3 goals; and Shane Kehl had 1 goal during the first round tournament game. Austin Erickson, Erik Duong, Greg Eubanks and Andy Balberde each had one assist. The Wildcats were also 4 for 6 in 'man-up' situations throughout the game. Zach Fenstermacher showed his usual

leadership on the field defensively, and Jake Hyde, Vinny Santoni, Nick Ziegler and Kevin Brawner were also standouts during defensive play. Goalie Antonio Choi made some amazing stops to Oakton's shots on goal during the game as well. The Wildcats were plagued by injuries throughout the season, sitting out five varsity players in the final game due to surgery, concussion or broken bones. Lacrosse summer camps, summer lacrosse travel teams, high school graduation and college are up next for the CVHS Wildcat varsity boys lacrosse team members as they end their Spring 2011 season with a final record of 6 wins and 7 losses.

Results Summary for May 2-6:
May 6 - Varsity Girls Lacrosse, lost to Robinson 14-8 in Concorde District quarterfinals; Varsity Boys Lacrosse, lost to Oakton 15-8 in Concorde District quarterfinals; Varsity Boys Soccer, defeated Chantilly 4-1; Varsity Girls Soccer, lost to Chantilly 1-0; Varsity Softball, lost to Chantilly 4-2; Varsity Baseball, defeated Chantilly 9-6.
May 5 - Varsity Softball, lost to Chantilly 2-1; Varsity Baseball, lost to Herndon 6-3.
May 2 - Varsity Girls Lacrosse, defeated Herndon 14-12.

'Your Home Should Make You Happy'

Design trends include more personal touches, smaller spaces, lower maintenance materials.

BY CLAIRE MCKENNA
CENTREVIEW

Many local interior designers participated in this Spring's design house to benefit Children's National Medical Center. Several reflected on recent trends and offered insight on why good design matters.

"Most of us are looking at our home now as more than an investment," said Barbara Franceski of Alexandria, who designed the family room in the design house. "We plan to stay in place for a longer period of time, and with that comes a desire to enjoy life right where we are."

For that reason, "personal expression is more center stage than ever," Franceski said. Homeowners want to use original, unique art to animate spaces, and can even turn to digitally printed wallpaper to create something unique for themselves. People are mixing materials like contemporary Lucite pieces with wood and alabaster and metals.

"We're embracing originality rather than a stale, decorated look."

DESIGNER MICHAEL ROBERSON of Arlington also referred to "a new eclecticism." This style consists of an "interesting mix of things we've never mixed before."

It used to be that eclectic design combined different historic and modern styles that in one way or another related to each other, she said. But now this is not always a requirement.

"Literally everything in the room is unique from everything else," Roberson said. "People seem to be simply putting what they like in a room."

This design technique can "sometimes be wonderful," but Roberson also implies that it also has the potential for disaster.

That's one reason Nancy Colbert of McLean, who designed the library in DC Design House, recommends consulting a designer, as well as checking other resources.

"Whether you're planning on going it alone, or choose to seek help [from a designer], spend time investigating current design magazines or websites to get a sense of what feels good for you."

In gathering ideas from these different sources, Colbert says new decorators may find "a place to build

their vision."

One trend Colbert observes: "We're seeing less and less brown wood." Until recently, most furniture finishes consisted of some variation of brown wood. Now, however, decorators are noticing more painted and combination finishes on furniture pieces.

LAUREN LIESS OF HERNDON was the designer of a "hideaway" bedroom in the design house that was designed

as a relaxing place to enjoy the window seat, take a nap, write at the Parson's desk or share a cup of tea.

Her wing chair in the hideaway bedroom included its back upholstered in a Michael Smith floral while the seat and front of the chair are dark velvet.

For home decorators looking for a casual design, Liess suggests "using a casual mix of patterns and textures is a more relaxed way to design a room."

Grass-cloth wallpaper, in bedrooms or living areas, is one way to add texture.

MANY DESIGNERS have welcomed more business lately as clients look to redecorating as an alternative to relocating. "People seem to be re-doing what they already have rather than moving" says Juliana Cunningham, head of Juliana's Home Interiors in Clifton.

Cunningham commented on the recent trend for clients to simplify the redecorat-

ing process themselves. She said that renovating window treatments like panes, blinds and shutters "used to be a more labor-intensive process," but people now seem to be turning to simple shades to compliment their windows.

The designer also echoed many of her fellow designers in commenting on the lack of bold colors seen in homes recently.

"We're seeing much more middle-of-the-color-wheel combinations in all rooms," Cunningham said.

Allie Mann of Case Design agreed, saying "Grey is the new beige."

The designer assures anyone looking for a color change in their home that grey is a safe and smart option. "It can work in many rooms," using the successful blend of "Charleston Grey" in the master bedroom in the design house with the "Corn Forth White" she used in the master bathroom which she designed to support her argument.

Like Cunningham, Mann has noticed many of her clients seeking a less laborious approach to redecorating their homes. Rather than the big additions Mann saw in the early 90s, the designer has noticed "a resurgence of people making better use of smaller spaces."

Mann added that many clients were "asking for more low-maintenance projects." Rather than purchasing materials for their new countertops or floors that require constant upkeep, homeowners are looking for lower maintenance options.

For example, Mann, who specializes in kitchen and bathroom remodeling, said that while before her clients



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'Nature inspired and quirky' describe well the hideaway designed by Lauren Liess. Grasscloth wall and ceiling coverings, diamond patterned sisal rug, an oversized window seat and a pair of distressed silver sconces are just a few of the cozy elements of Lauren Liess' hideaway at the Design House.



Alexandria designer Barbara Franceski, ASID.

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Master bath project designer Allie Mann.

have sought out natural stone tiles for their kitchen and bathroom floors, many have now caught on that porcelain tiles look about the same without requiring nearly as much work to maintain.

Mann offered several tips for getting the most from a modest change: "I'm a big fan of stripes- they can often play up the size of a room." Adding crown-molding can quickly make a room look more formal.

"SIMPLY PUT, I believe your home should make you happy," said Franceski.

"Allow yourself the freedom to create an environment that makes you smile. Doing so brings immeasurable joy."



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Beyond two conversation chairs at the library entrance from the foyer two milled bookcases were added to the entrance to the garden room to contribute to the library's symmetry. Designed by Nancy Colbert of McLean.

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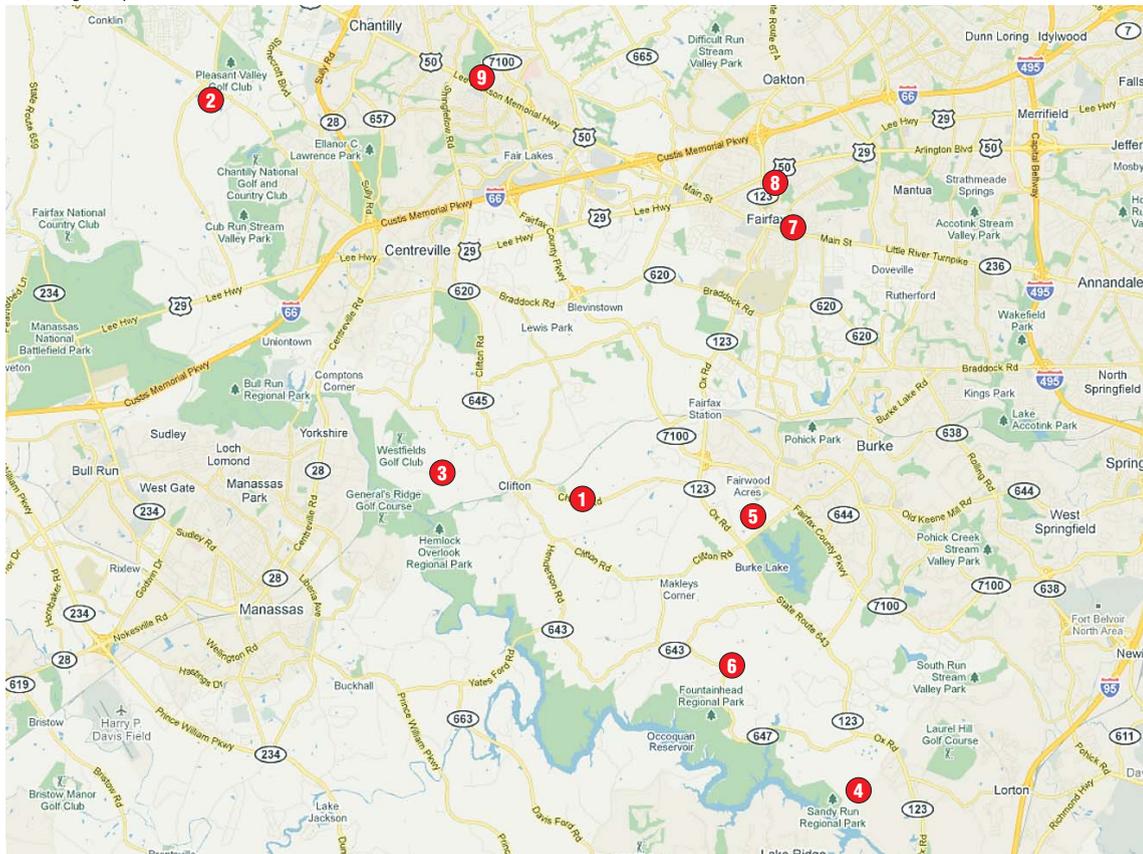
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Universal Appeal?

More renovations include accessible details.

BY BILL MILLHOLLAND
CASE DESIGN/REMODELING

Whether you realize it or not, a look at today's newest appliances or a visit to a home design showroom is likely filled with elements of universal design. Some can be subtle, such as a drawer in the middle of your refrigerator door. Others are a bit more obvious, such as grab bars in showers and bathtubs.

Today, universal design concepts are taking root in modern home design, making homes more accessible to users of all backgrounds, ages and physical abilities. But don't worry – this doesn't have to take away from the beauty of a home remodeling project. Rather, even the smallest home modification can adhere to the look and feel of a home while enabling owners to enjoy their investment even longer.

Incorporating universal design elements into a home remodel or building project benefits homeowners of all ages and abilities – from families with young children to older, retired couples. As a family grows and evolves, so too does the way in which it uses a home. Once children have grown up and moved out, many couples face the prospect of relocating to a home or community that is more accommodating of older residents – single-story dwellings, for instance. Universal design, however, can offer a reprieve to homeowners wishing to remain in their homes and maintain an independent lifestyle, as they “age in place.” This is especially important given the current economy, as more people choose to remain in the same home rather than sell it.

Major upgrades can require considerable time and money, but it's never too early to incorporate small changes – such as replacing door knobs with handles – that can help with ease of use. Even families with young children reap the benefits from appliance drawers in the kitchen and seating in showers. Other slight, but helpful, modifications include increased task lighting, hand rails on stairs, and a refrigerator with side-by-side doors.

Some of the most popular, yet larger, universal design upgrades include altering home's structure

and layout. For example, widening halls and doorways has the benefit of better accommodating wheelchairs and walking aids for older or physically challenged inhabitants. These changes can also aid in circulation patterns and make a home feel more spacious, regardless of square footage.

It is also not uncommon for today's homeowners to request a first-floor master bedroom and bathroom, eliminating the need for walking up and down a flight of stairs. Installing elevators in homes is also becoming a trend.

The bathroom is the location of many universal design projects. Some homeowners are now opting for low or no-threshold showers and sinks and vanities of custom heights. Increasing in popularity is the “comfort-height” toilet that is easier to sit down on than shorter models.

Universal design additions should coordinate with the overall flow and aesthetics of the home. Designers, contractors and architects should incorporate changes while refraining from taking away from the beauty of a home. Many manufacturers keep



PHOTO BY LOUISE KRAFT/THE CONNECTION

Allie Mann of Case designed the master bathroom of the DC Design House, exemplifying a trend of low or no-threshold showers.

this in mind when developing new products.

Questions homeowners should ask themselves:

- ❖ How long do I plan to live in my home?
- ❖ How can I make my house more accessible to people of varying abilities?
- ❖ How much can I afford?

If you are unsure of how you can introduce universal design concepts to your home, discussing these topics with a Certified Aging in Place Specialist.



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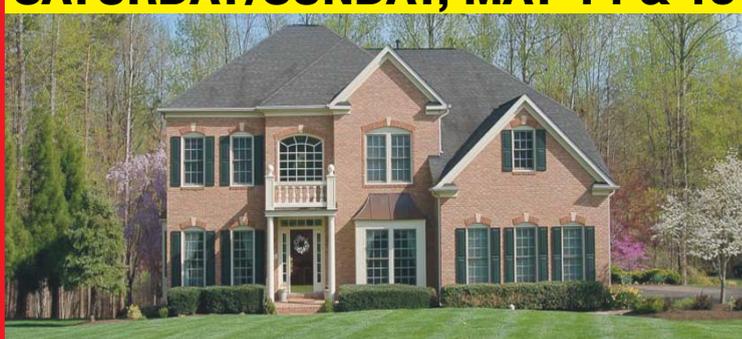





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