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The Fairfax County Federation of Teachers would like to thank all of the 2014 award winners listed above for their consistent advocacy, proactive communications, and support of our workforce over the past year. We publicly acknowledge their efforts to make a difference in the lives of FCPS employees. Thank you for caring about us; it matters and is appreciated.



City of Fairfax is Virginia's eCity

The City of Fairfax was named last week by Google Corp. as the eCity for the Commonwealth of Virginia. It was selected for inclusion on a list of "digital capitals of America" for 2014.

In its recognition, Google stated, "The City of Fairfax Historic District is on the National Register of Historic Places, but Fairfax has a modern online presence, too. The city's comprehensive website offers easy access to school issues, tax assessments and more."

Google's eCity Awards "recognize the strongest online business community in each state," observing how businesses in each city use their web presence for business development and customer service. Google based its results on examining the economic value provided by Google Search and AdWords, Google AdSense and Google Ad Grants in 2013.

"In the City of Fairfax, we try to balance our history with an ambitious vision of the future," said Mayor Scott Silverthorne. "City business owners use technology to expand and deliver, yet maintain a personal touch with their customers. It's how a smaller city remains competitive in a robust, metropolitan area."

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The award presentation at the Oct. 14 Fairfax City Council meeting. (From left) are Doug Church, chairman, Central Fairfax Chamber of Commerce; Council members Ellie Schmidt, Michael DeMarco and Jeff Greenfield; Mayor Scott Silverthorne; John Sullivan, legislative counsel, Google; Council members David Meyer, Nancy Loftus and Janice Miller (in front) and John Sabo, chairman, Fairfax City Economic Development Authority.



The City of Fairfax is Virginia's eCity for 2014.

each state. These cities' businesses are using the web to find new customers, connect with existing customers and fuel their local economies.

'We Owed that to the Victim'

Police charge Jesse Matthew with 2005 Fairfax crimes.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

The wheels of justice may turn slowly – but, apparently, they keep on turning. And now, nine years after a young Fairfax woman was attacked in her own neighborhood by an unknown assailant, a suspect has been charged with the crime.

A Fairfax County grand jury on Monday indicted Jesse L. Matthew Jr., 32, on charges of attempted capital murder, abduction with intent to defile and object sexual penetration in connection with the Fairfax case.

Already under scrutiny and garnering national attention for his possible role in the disappearance of UVA student Hannah Graham, Matthew is currently being held in the Charlottesville jail on a



Jesse Matthew Jr.



2005 police sketch of suspect. He was described then as a black male, 25-35, height 5'9"-6'0," weight 180-220 pounds; black hair, beard and mustache.

to this stage, and I applaud the teamwork that's been displayed by everyone involved in the case investigation."

THE FAIRFAX CRIME occurred Sept. 24, 2005; the victim was 26 and had just finished grocery shopping. She left the Jermantown Road Giant Foods store with her arms full of groceries and headed home on foot.

According to City of Fairfax police, it was about 10 p.m. and the woman lived three or four blocks from the Giant, in the Oxford Row townhouses on Rock Garden Drive. She was walking down her street and had almost reached her steps when, said police, a man grabbed her from behind and carried her to the park/swimming-pool area, where he choked and sexually assaulted her. He then fled and was last seen running south toward Fairhaven Court.

Police investigated, but time passed and,

eventually, the trail grew cold. The case remained open, but nothing tangible happened until summer 2010, when a positive DNA match was made tying the murderer of a college student to the Fairfax woman's assailant.

That student was 20-year-old Virginia Tech sophomore Morgan Harrington, who vanished outside a Metallica concert in Charlottesville in October 2009. Morgan's body was found in a pasture, three months later; and in summer 2010, authorities linked her killer's DNA to the person who abducted and sexually assaulted the Fairfax woman in September 2005.

On a Saturday afternoon in March 2012, Morgan's mother, Gil Harrington, stood outside that same Giant Foods store in Fairfax, along with Kim Nelson – whose daughter Bethany was a GMU senior when she disappeared in January 2011. They were there together seeking information about what happened to their girls and doing what they could to prevent similar tragedies from befalling

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Connect Four

BY TIM PETERSON
THE CONNECTION

It wasn't so much a down and dirty debate as a no-frills four-way question-and-answer session. Not that AARP and the League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area (LWVFA), two of the sponsors of the "Meet the Candidates" series billed the Oct. 14 event as such. Tuesday's meeting was the penultimate of seven events in the series, with the final being a District 8

The roughly 100 voters in attendance at the Westminster continuing care retirement community dining room had the opportunity to witness the rare occurrence of all four District 11 congressional candidates present under the same roof, answering the same questions.

Those who missed the proceedings can see video of the nearly two hours (with a recess in the middle to switch the camera tape) on the League of Women Voters' YouTube page.

Suzanne Scholte (Republican), Gerry Connolly (Democrat, Incumbent), Joe Galdo (Green) and Marc Harrold (Libertarian) approached the dais microphone in ballot order, starting with Scholte. Each candidate was given three minutes for an opening statement, then two minutes per question to deliver a response.

Olga Hernandez, organization director for LWVFA, posed a battery of questions to the panel of candidates, including suggestions from the audience.

CANDIDATES weren't generally afforded the opportunity to respond directly or rebut another candidate's claim, though Scholte and Connolly wasted no time in taking their first opportunities to indirectly butt heads over the Affordable Care Act, known affectionately (or infamously, depending on persuasion) as "Obamacare."

"We've never had something like this," said Scholte in her response to the question "What is one thing you would change about the Affordable Care Act," "where the parties didn't work together for a solution.



PHOTO BY TIM PETERSON/THE CONNECTION

From left: 11th District candidates Suzanne Scholte, Gerry Connolly, Joe Galdo and Marc Harrold participated in a four-way question-and-answer program at the Westminster in Lake Ridge.

That's why it's been such a disaster."

"I couldn't disagree with my opponent more," Connolly said in turn. "I'm proud of having voted for the Affordable Care Act. It is transforming lives in America as we speak. 7.3 million people who were uninsured are now insured. And another 3 million people are accessing Medicaid. And there would be 400,000 more of them here in Virginia if my opponent's party would only stop blocking that expansion down in Richmond."

Scholte also called out Connolly for siding with his party and voting for the Sequester. In his subsequent response, the incumbent responded directly: "I opposed it. Last year I was the only one of Northern Virginia congressmen to vote against the continuing resolution to fund the government, because I said it baked in sequestration."

Galdo and Harrold each came to the plate with more direct responses to the Affordable Care question than each other, favoring reforming and repealing Obamacare, respectively.

"I would change it to a single-payer plan,"

said Galdo, "put it under Medicare. Rather than going through insurance companies, increasing the cost and complexities of the system, that would simplify it and lower costs."

"I believe it is a step towards a single-payer system," Harrold said. "I don't think there's a real way to favor Obamacare without realizing that it's a slippery slope. It's a huge encroachment on a major portion of the economy."

For the bulk of the questions, that ranged in subject from ideas to stabilizing Congress and strengthening Social Security to stances on new voter identification laws and federal funding for Planned Parenthood, the four candidates responded in large part as advertised. Scholte and Connolly touted their individual successes while picking apart the other's party's deficiencies.

Galdo was understated and pragmatic, drawing agreement from other candidates with his simplified two-step assessment for Social Security. "One is lift the ceiling on Social Security taxes," he said. "That would create additional revenue for the Social Security trust fund. The second is create

more jobs. The more people you have working, the more are paying Social Security. That's our problem now."

Harrold was straightforward yet affable, and consistent in applying the filter of is this something federal government should be involved in, if any government?

"I thought about running as the pro-traffic candidate," he dead-panned to a question about transportation expansion. "It didn't poll well."

THERE WAS LITTLE DISSENTION among the panel in support of transportation infrastructure expansion, like extending the Metro Yellow Line, favoring immigration reform, decrying the partisan unproductiveness of the current Congress and perceiving the new voter identification laws in Virginia as discriminatory and threatening to fundamental civic rights.

"What could the new law be designed to do other than suppress votes?" said Connolly. "The claim is it is designed to make sure there's no voter fraud. There is no voter fraud in Virginia."

Whereas Planned Parenthood was one of the more divisive questions: Scholte did not support federal funding, citing the abortions facilitated by Planned Parenthood as her central disagreement. Connolly referenced his voting record against the proposals to defund the organization in Congress and drew rare applause from the otherwise calm crowd with his favoring a woman's right to choose.

Galdo supported funding on the grounds of the "valuable health care services" provided by Planned Parenthood, despite his personal disagreements with abortion in the majority of cases.

Harrold joined Scholte in not favoring funding, if only from the small government stance. "In the public discourse," he said, "the question is whether public funding should be used. It is intimate and because it's intimate, it should be left without any government interference."

At the end of the formal program, voters had the opportunity to meet the candidates face-to-face and ask additional questions.

AREA ROUNDUPS

Election Officers are Sought

Fairfax County needs 2,700 election officers, particularly bilingual citizens. Election officers must be registered voters in Virginia and complete required training and forms. People may choose to accept the \$175 payment for a full day or volunteer their time.

For more information, go to www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections and click the "training and education" button or call 703-324-4735, TTY 711. Sign up at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/working.htm>.

GMU Communications Forum

GMU students will engage with some of the nation's leading communication professionals during a free career forum, Tuesday, Oct. 28, from 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m., in Dewberry Hall. #AllThingsSocial will examine social media and integrated digital communication as a global phenomena and opportunity for today's graduates.

Aaron Sherinian, the U.N. Foundation's vice president for communications and public relations, will present the keynote address, followed by a panel discussion and speed-mentoring session by professionals in news, public relations, corporate commu-

nication, nonprofits and government. Registration is strongly encouraged for the speed mentoring session; contact Brittany Sanders at bsander7@gmu.edu.

Volunteering Made Easy

Fairfax County introduces its new volunteer management system, paving the way for easier navigation of county volunteer opportunities. People may visit volunteer.fairfaxcounty.gov, fill out one application and search for opportunities meeting their interests by geographic location, dates, type of people or program type. They may view positions from a variety of agen-

cies track their hours and review upcoming volunteer jobs. They may even volunteer to serve during emergencies.

Police, Fire Games Help Needed

The 2015 World Police and Fire Games will need upwards of 3,000 people to take on a wide variety of roles across the National Capital Region. These include welcoming visitors, transporting athletes, joining the medical team, assisting sports coordinators, helping out behind the scenes on the technology team. For more information or to volunteer, go to <http://fairfax2015.com/volunteer>.



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Firefighters Raise Funds for Breast-Cancer Research

(From left) are Joe Charley with Firefighters Union 2702, Fairfax City Mayor Scott Silverthorne and Fairfax City Fire Chief Dave Rohr, with Councilman David Meyer looking on, as Silverthorne proclaims October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Since 2012, firefighters have raised \$250,000 for breast-cancer research, and Fairfax firefighters and paramedics are wearing and selling special t-shirts (like Charley's) to raise funds to contribute to the Susan G. Komen foundation. To purchase a shirt, go to Fire Station 3 on 4081 University Drive in Fairfax; size, style and price information is available at www.fairfaxfire.org.



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Yes to Fairfax Transportation Bond

\$84 million for pedestrian, bike and trail improvements.

Of more than 75 projects included in the current proposal, on the ballot for Nov. 4, all but seven are designed to make Fairfax County safer and more inviting for pedestrians and bicyclists.

Voters will decide on Election Day whether to authorize \$100 million for:

- ❖ Spot road improvements to increase roadway capacity, reduce congestion, improve safety, and improve transit access (\$16 million)
- ❖ Pedestrian improvements to improve capacity, enhance safety and complete missing pedestrian links that connect neighborhoods, and improve access to schools, Metrorail stations and activity centers (\$78 million)
- ❖ Bicycle improvements that include developing new bicycle facilities, constructing trails, adding bicycle parking and enhancing acces-

sibility (\$6 million)

Fairfax voters have a long history of approving bond questions for local transportation, schools and parks. This should be no exception.

Vote

The importance of voting, and the difference just a few votes can make, is on display in Virginia, where close elections decided by a fraction of a percent of total voters have set the stage for some big changes.

Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 4. But you don't have to wait until then.

In person absentee voting is underway at Fairfax County Governmental Center and seven satellite locations thru Nov. 1.

Office of Elections, 12000 Government Center Pkwy, Conf. Rooms 2/3, Fairfax, 22035. Now - Oct. 31, Monday thru Friday - 8 a.m. - 7 p.m. Saturdays, Oct. 25 and Nov. 1, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Satellite Voting Locations Include:
Franconia Governmental Center - 6121

Franconia Road, Alexandria, 22310

West Springfield Governmental Center - 6140 Rolling Road, Springfield, 22152

Mason Governmental Center - 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale, 22003

For more information, call 703-222-0776 or visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/absentee.htm>

You'll need photo identification to vote either on Election Day or absentee. Any registered voter can apply for a free Virginia Voter Photo Identification from any general registrar's office in the Commonwealth. Voters applying for the Virginia Voter Photo ID Card will have to complete the Virginia Voter Photo Identification Card Application, have their picture taken, and sign the digital signature pad. Once the application is processed, the card will be mailed directly to the voter.

— MARY KIMM,

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Don't Honk at Me for Being Cautious

BY DONNA D. CAREY
SPRINGFIELD

In 2007, a member of my family was nearly killed by a driver who failed to yield on green turning left from Old Keene Mill Road onto Huntsman Boulevard. The driver then claimed to be on Government business at the time and with the help of a Government insurance company seemed to avoid much personal inconvenience despite having caused a terrible accident.

My loved one survived but has never been the same physically. Even with some reimbursement for hospital stays, nothing can replace healthy lung capacity or vertebrae or account for years of subtle after effects. When it comes to traffic accidents, there is no question prevention is the best cure. Traffic accidents ruin people's lives every day.

Everyone who lives in West Springfield knows the Huntsman intersection is dangerous. Even

worse is the intersection of Bauer/Greeley and Old Keene Mill. Even with warning signs and flashing lights, impatient drivers routinely tear through the red light at Bauer. Hard red lights – not even a hint of yellow. Nearby residents are at high risk having to navigate this intersection every day. The intersection needs cameras and 24/7 police presence. Unfortunately, there are many dangerous roads and intersections, and communities just do not have the money to police every one all the time.

So it is up to us to be careful. Great - what are the odds.

When I approach the Bauer signal, I try to wait to make sure all the cars have stopped before I move on my green light, for my sake and others. It makes me angry to see drivers speed through the red light. I do honk at these drivers, not only because it infuriates me that they are selfish and careless with other people's safety but also because I hope they will wake up and think twice the next

time. Yes, someone saw that. Yes, people care. Yes, you are accountable. I've seen the consequence of your careless attitude, and it's devastating.

On the other hand, when do I hear someone honk at me? Not for running a red light. No, they honk at me for being careful. Okay, so maybe I'm going to wait a few extra seconds for that next batch of cars to drive by before I make my left turn on green. Why? Because my loved one was nearly killed by someone making a careless left turn. When I'm turning right, I stop first to make sure the coast is clear before I move. Why? Because my loved one was almost killed by a careless driver.

Don't honk at me for being cautious. Think about what you're doing. A horn is negative reinforcement. If you honk at someone and that person is inclined to be intimidated, then next time they approach a signal they are going to think, "Oh, I have to rush and take a chance so that person

behind me won't honk at me." And then they might kill someone.

Relax. Take a breath. Say a prayer. Think about how thankful you are for all your limbs and your lungs and your family. Before you know it, that person in front of you will have moved and you can be on your way. By being calm and cautious, you could save someone's life. What if it were your loved one in the middle of the intersection when a person runs a red light? If the light is yellow, STOP. If the light is red, STOP. It's only a couple minutes.

Running red lights is a crime. If you must honk at someone, honk at the person who just ran a red light. If you catch me running a red light, yammering on my cell phone, weaving in and out, cutting you off, then fine, go ahead and honk at me. But don't honk at me for being cautious.

Show your appreciation for people who care more about your life than their own need to get somewhere. Show them some patience.

trians and bicyclists benefit everyone through enhancing safety, providing active transportation options, providing opportunities for routine exercise, expanding access to recreational opportunities, and improving quality of life. Improvements funded by the bond will also permit more "Safe Routes to School," or opportunities for children to walk or bike to school. The goals and objectives of both our

plan and the transportation bond issue are aligned in encouraging a healthy lifestyle through physical activity and improving connectivity throughout the county. Please support the bond by a "yes" vote on Nov. 4.

Marlene Blum and Julie Knight
Partnership for a Healthier Fairfax/Co-Chairs



WEEK IN FAIRFAX

Saturday Morning Coffee with Del. Bulova

On Saturday, Oct. 25, Del. David Bulova (D-37) will continue a tradition started in 2006 by holding informal office hours to take place from 9 to 11 a.m. Constituents are invited to talk about issues of interest and to ask questions about legislation af-

fecting the community. The format is casual and no appointment is needed.

* Oct. 25, 9-11 a.m., at Jireh Bakery and Café, 13848 Lee Highway, Centreville

* Nov. 22, 9-11 a.m., at Main Street Bagel, 10268 Main Street, City of Fairfax

Del. Bulova is also happy to arrange individual appointments on specific issues or concerns. His House District includes the City of Fairfax and portions of Fairfax County. For more information visit www.davidbulova.com.

Farmers Market on Thursdays

Each Thursday, from 3-7 p.m., the Fairfax County Government Center hosts a farmers market in its parking lot. The Government Center is at 12000 Government Center Parkway in Fair Oaks, and the season's last two markets are slated for Oct. 23 and Oct. 30.

Witch Watch Is Oct. 26

The annual Witch Watch, hosted by GMU's Student Government, will be held Sunday, Oct. 26, from 1-4 p.m., and both students and members of the surrounding City of Fairfax community are invited.

There'll be free food, games and lots of

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Focus on Domestic Violence

Domestic violence shelters and awareness organizations are hoping to build on the response they've seen since the Ray Rice abuse case escalated in a very public way.

"Calls increased to national hotlines roughly 80 percent after the video surfaced," said Braddock supervisor John Cook. "A lot of people think this is something you shouldn't talk about, that it's meant to stay private, in our home. We need to get the word out this is a bad thing, that we should talk about it and make it clear it's not acceptable."

At a Fairfax County Board of Supervisors meeting several weeks ago, Cook proposed a resolution to designate October "Domestic Violence Awareness Month." He's following up that action with an awareness event planned for Oct. 22 at the Coyote Grille in Fairfax.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the Shelter House, 24-hour domestic violence shelter Artemis House, as well as Fairfax County Court Appointed Special Advocates, a directional tool for the children victims of domestic violence.

The next day, a few miles southwest of Coyote Grille, Alexandria-based Bethany House is holding an event of its own at Malek's Pizza Palace in Springfield. Bethany House offers temporary housing and support to female domestic violence victims and their children.

The Bethany House event takes place Oct. 23 from 4-9 p.m., while Cook's event was set to last from 4:30-6:30 p.m. on Oct. 22.

— TIM PETERSON



PHOTO COURTESY OF BETHANY HOUSE

(From left) Shelli Vasser Gilliam, Bethany House fundraising consultant; Jasmin Witcher, Bethany House interim executive director; and Doug E. Brammer, area manager, Verizon external affairs. In September, Verizon made a \$5,000 grant to the Bethany House Trauma Recovery Program.

Revisiting War of 1812 in Fairfax

The War of 1812 will be revisited at the Fairfax County 10th Annual History Conference: "Fire, Flight and Fury – The War of 1812 200 years Later." The Fairfax County History Commission, Fairfax County Park Authority and the Fairfax City Museum and Visitor Center will co-sponsor the conference, which will be held at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center at 3740 Old Lee Highway in Fairfax on Saturday, Nov. 8, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Speakers will present the history of the War of 1812 and its impact on Fairfax County. Admission registration is \$20 and is due no later than Oct. 29. Authors & exhibitors are encouraged to attend – a table can be provided for an additional \$10. No registrations will be accepted at the door. A continental breakfast, deli lunch and conference materials will be included. Local historical organizations and authors will have displays. Registration forms are available at: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/histcomm/event.htm>



PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

James Madison, played by John Douglas Hall, and Dolley Madison, played by Carole Herrick, performing in McLean in August 2014.

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fun, including activities, crafts and prize raffles. Children are encouraged to come in costume. Free parking will be provided in the Rappahannock parking deck on levels 1 and 2, and the event will be held across the street.

City Council Meeting Oct. 28

The next meeting of the Fairfax City Council is Tuesday, Oct. 28, at 7 p.m., at City Hall, 10455 Armstrong St. in Fairfax.

Donate New Children's Coats

The City of Fairfax Professional Firefighters and Paramedic Local 2702 and the City of Fairfax Fire Department have partnered with Operation Warm to provide brand-new, American-made, winter coats for local children in need. Not to be confused with a coat collection drive, this program is centered on only new coats and jackets. Bring donations of new coats and jackets to Fire Station 3 at 4081 University Drive in Fairfax. For more information, go to www.operationwarm.org/fairfaxcity.

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NEWS

Matthew Charged With 2005 Fairfax Crime

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someone else's child.

They distributed informational posters and brochures and warned residents that the 2005 perpetrator had never been caught and might still be in this area. They also shared their stories with anyone who stopped by their table, desperately hoping someone might know even the tiniest detail that might help them find this man.

"We know he has a habit of abduction, sexual assault and murder, and we don't want these habits repeated," said Harrington. "People need to know about him and to be cautious. My daughter's dead, but we want to save other families from going through what we went through. And it makes the pain more tolerable to help someone else; you have to find a new life because the old one is broken."

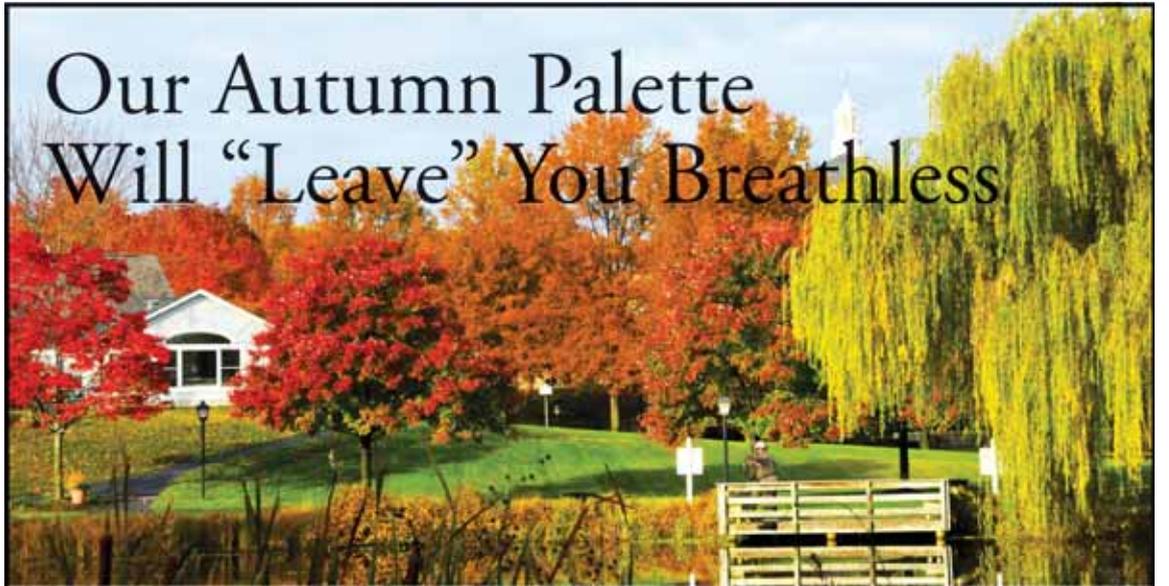
Accompanying Harrington and Nelson – whose daughter is still missing – was VT employee Kenny Jarels. Basically, he said, "We be-

lieve that, if we can find the missing link between the Fairfax and Charlottesville cases, then police can solve them both."

NOW, POLICE AND PROSECUTORS hope they've done just that. "The City of Fairfax is a wonderful community and we're fortunate to have a very low violent-crime rate," said Pardiny. "Crimes of violence are shocking to the community and everyone involved, including the police. We're trained to be focused and objective in our investigations, to uncover the facts and evidence of a case, and we're devoted to keeping our community safe.

"Our mission is to prevent crime; but when it occurs, we mobilize quickly to find the perpetrator, so there's not a lot of time to become emotionally involved," he continued. "But later, once the dust settles, the human element kicks in and it makes us want to go home and hug our kids. I am proud of our department and the men and women who serve it."

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There were 307 people registered to walk in the K-9 Krawl which raised awareness of domestic violence.



Fairfax County Sheriff Deputy Jenny Chesky with Fiona, Sheriff Stacey Kincaid with Johnny, and Deputy Aaron Waple with Igby.



Lori Muhlstein of Fairfax with Macy.



Sara Simmons of Fairfax with Ruby.

K-9 Krawl Held at Government Center

In observance of October being Domestic Violence Awareness Month, Fairfax County Police personnel from the agency's Victim Services Unit hosted the 8th Annual K-9 Krawl; a 5K Walk with 307 registered walkers held at the Fairfax County Government Center on Saturday, Oct. 18. The event was created to highlight the link between domestic violence and the link to animal cruelty. In

2013, the police department received over 11,000 domestic violence calls for service; an average of 928 per month. There were over 1,600 assaults on family members and 293 violations of protective orders. More than 1,900 people were arrested for offenses relating to domestic violence.

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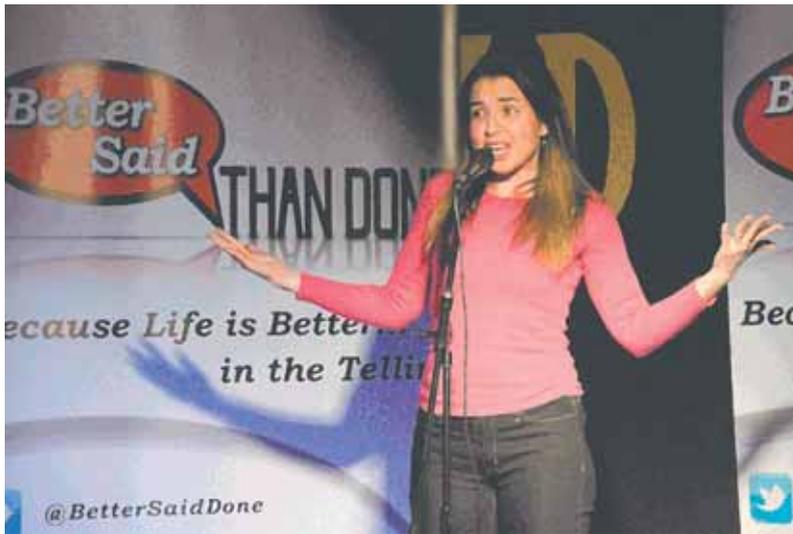
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Improv and Storytelling Come Together in Fairfax

Improv and storytelling come together for a night of spontaneous stories as local performing troupes Take the Fifth and Better Said Than Done share the stage in Northern Virginia. This special performance, "A Night at the Improv," will be Saturday, Oct. 25, at 7 p.m., downstairs at The Auld Shebeen, 3971 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax. Doors open at 6 p.m. and tickets are \$10 per person; tickets can be purchased online at www.betersaidthandone.com or at the door. This show is intended for adults. A full dinner and bar menu will be available. For more information about the show, visit www.betersaidthandone.com.

At their next night of storytelling, "A Night at the Improv," storytellers from Better Said Than Done — named Best Performing Arts Company in Virginia three years in a row by Virginia Living Magazine — will be joined on stage by members of local improv troupe Take the Fifth. The resulting show will feature audience participation, high energy, lots of laughs, and a mix of true and personal stories, all off the cuff. The evening will be hosted by Shawn Westfall, a performer, storyteller and instructor of



Kathy Baird

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improvisational comedy.

Take the Fifth is a three-person improv group, featuring Peter Gorman, Nicole Paff and Mike Tibodeau.

"A Night at the Improv" will feature a variety of popular improv games, performed by Take the Fifth, with suggestions, input, and direction from the audience. The evening's storytellers from Better Said Than Done — Kathy Baird, Dustin Fisher, Cara Foran, Stephanie Garibaldi, Derek Hills, Pierce McManus and Jessica Piscitelli Robinson — will watch and be inspired. At the conclusion of each improvised scene, one or two intrepid storytellers will volunteer to take the stage and tell a related, short, true, personal story. All of the performers will be thinking on their feet that night.

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THROUGH FRIDAY/NOV. 3

Adventures in Learning. 9:30 a.m.-2:45 p.m. Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 5114 Twinbrook Road, Fairfax. This program is open to all adults age 50 or better. Registrants bring a bag lunch and stay for a full day of classes/activities and socializing, or pick and choose the classes that interest them the most. \$30. www.scfbva.org or 703-323-4788.

THROUGH WEDNESDAY/DEC. 31

War on the Doorstep: Fairfax Militia in the War of 1812. Exhibition. The Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Highway. Open Tue.-Sat. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Free tours at 1 p.m. 703-591-0560.

THROUGH SUNDAY/FEB. 8, 2015

Dressing for the Occasion: An Exhibition of Costumes and Textiles Representing Fairfax Personalities and Events. Exhibition. Fairfax Museum & Visitor Center, 10209 Main Street, Fairfax. Open daily 9 a.m.-5 p.m. 703-385-8414.

WEDNESDAY/OCT. 22-MONDAY/OCT. 27

Disney On Ice Presents Frozen. Patriot Center, George Mason University, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Feld Entertainment, Inc. announces that its 34th Disney On Ice spectacular will bring to life the Academy Award-winning and number one animated feature film of all time, Disney's Frozen. www.patriotcenter.com.

FRIDAY/OCT. 24

Genealogy Help Desk. 2 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Bring family history stumpers to the experts. Accomplished genealogists and library staff will be on hand to assist. Ask at the Virginia Room desk or call 703-293-6227, option 6. Adults, Teens. 703-293-6227.

United States Navy Band's Skipjack Quartet. 8 p.m. Old Town Hall, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. The Navy Band's newest ensemble, the Skipjack Quartet, consists of vibraphone, guitar, double bass and drums. The Skipjack Quartet specializes in elegant jazz and Latin stylings of the Great American Song Book, derived from Broadway and popular songs of a bygone era. 703-385-2712.

The Mystery of Edwin Drood. 8 p.m. George Mason University's Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Warm-hearted theatrical experience presented by the School of Theater and the School of Music. \$15-\$25. 888-945-2468.

FRIDAY/OCT. 24-SATURDAY/NOV. 1

Workhouse Arts Center Haunted Trail. 7-10 p.m. 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. During an exclusive event for six hair-raising nights only, visitors can walk the Haunted Trail with friends and family. Visitors will experience the macabre outdoor scenes in the lesser traveled areas of the historic prison campus and enjoy special effects, live scare actors and a nightmarish, immersive storyline about a growing horde of infected drones. Evening trail, \$10; daytime trail, \$5.



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Clifton's "haunted" bridge lives up to the hype, at least for a few hours during the community's Haunted Trail event to be held from 7-10 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 25.

SATURDAY/OCT. 25-FRIDAY/OCT. 31

St. Peter's in the Woods Pumpkin Patch. 5911 Fairview Woods Dr., Fairfax Station. St. Peter's in the Woods Annual Pumpkin Patch is a community outreach fundraiser. Pumpkins and Gourds of all sizes available for purchase. Come buy a pumpkin and help support community outreach. www.fairfax-station.org. 703-425-9225.

SATURDAY/OCT. 25

Tales to Tails. 10:30 a.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Read to a therapy dog. Ages 6-12 with adult. 703-293-6227.

The Mystery of Edwin Drood. 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. George Mason University's Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Warm-hearted theatrical experience presented by the School of Theater and the School of Music. \$15-\$25. 888-945-2468.

The Little Women of Virginia: The Adventures of a Navy Widow & her Daughters during the Civil War. 2 p.m. Historic Blenheim and the Civil War Interpretive Center, 3610 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. Adele Air retells how the Forrest family lived during the Civil War. 703-591-0560.

Clifton Haunted Trail. 7-10 p.m. Chapel Road, Clifton. A terrifying annual event that winds through Clifton's 8 Acre Park. Visit cliftonhauntedtrail.com.

Dog Adoption. 12-3 p.m. Petco, Greenbriar Towncenter, 13053 Lee Jackson Memorial Highway, Fairfax. Call 703-817-9444 or visit www.hart90.org/.

SATURDAY/OCT. 25-SUNDAY/OCT. 26

Fairfax Symphony Orchestra presents Copland and Stravinsky. 8 p.m. George Mason University's Harris Theatre, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Classical performance by the Fairfax Symphony Orchestra. www.fairfaxsymphony.org

SATURDAY/OCT. 25-MONDAY/JAN. 19

Dada Re-Discovered. Building W-16 Vulcan Gallery, Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. Dada Re-Discovered explores how contemporary media and ideas can filter past Dada concepts and artwork. The exhibit will feature sound, video, performance and other visual mixed media. 703-584-2900. www.workhousearts.org.

SUNDAY/OCT. 26

Outdoor Filming. 4-6:30 p.m. Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road, Fairfax Station. Outdoor filming of an online Western series titled, "Thurston." Public invited to watch the filming that afternoon. The Railroad Museum will also be open that day from 1-4 p.m.

The Mystery of Edwin Drood. 4 p.m. George Mason University's Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Warm-hearted theatrical experience presented by the School of Theater and the School of Music. \$15-\$25. 888-945-2468.

Concert Series U.S. Army Strings. 4:30-6 p.m. Fairfax United Methodist Church, 10300 Stratford Ave., Fairfax. Free concert. Offering may be taken. 703-591-3120.

Music from Oberlin at Oakton. 7:30 p.m. Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton. Music from Oberlin at Oakton is a musical outreach program designed to give conservatory students an opportunity showcase their musical talents. Free. 703-281-4230, uucf@uucf.org.

Neighborhood Fall Festival. 5-8 p.m. King of Kings Lutheran Church and Preschool, 4025 Kings Way, Fairfax. Fun activities for the entire family. There will be a moon bounce, games and prizes, a maze and haunted room, food, hot cider, s'mores, face painting, story time, crafts, a costume parade, raffles, pumpkin decorating and much more. It will end with Trunk or Treat for the kids at sun down. Free. 703-378-7272, ext. 225, jhangen@kofk.org.

MONDAY/OCT. 27

Music and Movin' with Miss Susan. 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Cosponsored by Friends of the City of Fairfax Regional Library. Age 6 months-5 years with adult. 703-293-6227.

Crazy 8s Math Club. 4:30 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Join Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s to build stuff, run and jump, make music, make a mess...it's a totally new kind of math club. School age. 703-293-6227.

WEDNESDAY/OCT. 29

Bilingual Storytime. 4 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Bilingual storytime in English and Spanish. Build your child's early literacy skills while enjoying stories, songs and activities. Age 3-5 with adult. 703-293-6227.

Genealogy Help Desk. 7 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Bring family history stumpers to the experts. Accomplished genealogists and library staff will be on hand to assist. Ask at the Virginia Room desk or call 703-293-6227, option 6. Adults, Teens.

George Mason University Visiting Filmmakers Series. 7:30 p.m. Johnson Center, 4400 University Dr., Fairfax. Showing of Out in the Night, with question and answer with director Dorosh Walther, producer Giovanna Chesler, and professor and subject Renata Hill. Free. Open to

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THURSDAY/OCT. 30

Preschool Storytime. 10:30 a.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Build your child's early literacy skills while enjoying stories, songs and activities. Age 3-5 with adult. 703-293-6227.

Genealogy Databases. 2 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Search for your ancestors using the library's genealogy databases and other free Internet databases. Adults, teens. 703-293-6227.

FRIDAY/OCT. 31

Genealogy Help Desk. 2 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Bring family history stumbers to the experts. Accomplished genealogists and library staff will be on hand to assist. Ask at the Virginia Room desk or call 703-293-6227, option 6. Adults, Teens.

The National Acrobats of the People's Republic of China: Cirque Peking. 8 p.m. George Mason University's Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. With a combination of traditional and modern music, colorful sets, and imaginative props, the National Acrobats of the People's Republic of China is among Asia's most acclaimed ensembles. \$29-\$48. 888-945-2468.

SATURDAY/NOV 1-MONDAY/DEC. 15

FCPS Art Teachers Exhibition. Building W-16 McGuire Woods Gallery, Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. FCPS art teachers display their art. 703-584-2900. www.workhousearts.org.

SATURDAY/NOV. 1

The Robinson Marketplace. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. 5305 Sideburn Road, Fairfax. Shop at over 80 vendors at the Holiday Market, raffle and silent auction sponsored by the Robinson Secondary School PTSA. Visit www.robinsonptsa.org.

THURSDAY/NOV. 2

Nate Hausmann Author Talk. 2 p.m. Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia, 8900 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax. j.talks event. Author with autism shares his story. \$11/\$9/\$7. 703-323-0880.

New Orleans Legends: Featuring the Preservation Hall Jazz Band and Allen Toussaint. 7 p.m. George Mason University's Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Join us for an evening of music. The legendary jazz and New Orleans R&B pianist Allen



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Featured artists, from left, Doris Jenkins and Betty Baumgartner.

'Scape Sensations' Opens at Old Town Hall

Doris Jenkins and Betty Baumgartner, Fairfax Art League members, will share an art exhibit together. With their show, "Scape Sensations," they are the featured artists for October at the Old Town Hall in Fairfax.

Doris Jenkins' landscape oil paintings and Betty

Baumgartner's watercolors, acrylics and fine art photography combine for a colorful "Scape Sensation."

The exhibit is on the second floor of the Old Town Hall at 3999 University Drive in Fairfax and is open Monday-Friday, 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Visit www.fairfaxartleague.com.

Toussaint recently received the highly prestigious National Medal of Arts by President Obama in recognition of his seminal influence on New Orleans music. Tickets: \$29-\$48.

South Pacific, plus the cover-up of a Marine Corps general's death.

FRIDAY/NOV. 7

Martha Graham Dance Company. 8 p.m. George Mason University's Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Tickets: \$28-\$46. For more information call 888-945-2468.

SATURDAY/NOV. 8

Christmas Craft Fair and Bake Sale. 9 a.m.-2 p.m. New Hope Church, 6905 Ox Road, Lorton. Begin your holiday shopping early. Crafts, artwork, holiday items, inspirational items, soaps/scrubs, jewelry, baked goods, jams/jellies, candies/nuts/fudge, raffles, stuffed animals, food, etc. Free. Doris Lama, 703-644-0139/571-234-7322.

I'll be Seeing You with the Fairfax Symphony Orchestra. 8 p.m. George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Based on actual letters from Mr. Frazier's family written during World War II, the evening includes songs of the era by Gershwin, Kern, Carmichael, Ellington, and more. Tickets \$25, \$45, \$60. Students ages 6-25: free fairfaxsymphony.org

MONDAY/NOV. 3

Move & Groove with Mr. Skip. 10:30 a.m. Old Town Hall, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. Mr. Skip, who is all about music and movement, sings original and classic kids songs like Old McDonald to the five and under crowd. He gets the kids off their seats and moving. For more information, visit www.fairfaxarts.org or call 703-352-ARTS.

WEDNESDAY/NOV. 5

F-150 "Drive the Future of Tough" Consumer Event. 5:30-8:30 p.m. Ted Britt Ford, 11165 Fairfax Blvd., Fairfax. Customers can test-drive the new 2015 F-150. 703-218-4644.

"South Pacific Cauldron." 7 p.m. George Mason Regional Library, 70001 Little River Turnpike, Annandale. Author Alan Rems, a 10-year volunteer at the Fairfax Regional Library, will discuss and sign his book, "South Pacific Cauldron." It's about WWII in the

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It's 'Like a Dream Come True'

Fairfax Police Chief Carl Pardini eager to groom future leaders.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

Col. Carl Pardini was born and raised in Pittsburgh, but has spent nearly his entire, adult life with the City of Fairfax Police Department. He started its K-9 and Bike Patrol programs and was twice selected as the Department's Officer of the Year.

So it was no wonder that he was recently selected to become its chief, replacing Rick Rappoport, who's now a deputy chief with Amtrak. But in his younger days, Pardini also considered a career in firefighting.

"Through high school and college, I volunteered as an EMT with the fire department," he said. "But I met many local police officers, too, and I admired the old guys with hash marks up their sleeves. And instead of waiting in my bunk at the fire station for something to happen, I decided I'd rather be out on the street doing something."

Then his father-in-law found an ad in a Pittsburgh newspaper for a police officer in Fairfax, so Pardini headed to Virginia. By November 1988, he was hired by Chief Lloyd Smith and, said Pardini, "I was the happiest guy in the world."

He began as a patrol officer and, in the early 1990s, started the City's first community Bike Patrol Program. "I loved it," he said. "It was very rewarding; I got to know the community and speak with business owners and residents and find out their concerns."

"I also met the kids, since a bicycle made police officers more approachable," continued Pardini. "I also explored the bike paths and every alley in the City and made numerous arrests for narcotics and DWI. So it was a great mix of community outreach and policing."

He initiated the K-9 program in 1996, working with its first K-9, Doni – whose portrait hangs inside the police station. "He had a special talent for tracking," said Pardini. "Around 1997, in the City's Cobdale section, we got a report of an armed burglar who broke into a man's home and held him at knifepoint. He was asleep on the couch and woke up to find the guy standing over him with a knife. He screamed and the guy fled, leaving some of the stolen items in the front yard."

K-9 was called in, so Pardini and Doni responded. "It was a torrential downpour, but we stayed on the track," said Pardini. "We searched a couple hours, and Doni and I found him – with the knife still on him – in a child's treehouse, a few blocks away."

Pardini also served as a field training officer, firearms instructor and evidence tech-



Col. Carl Pardini: "There's pride in knowing we're providing excellent services."



Chief Carl Pardini with a plaque of his former K-9 partner, Doni.

nician. And, he added, "I also enjoyed being on the Emergency Services [SWAT] team, responding to critical situations. Thankfully, we don't have lots of those incidents here, but we spent a lot of time training for emergency situations."

IN THE LATE 1990S, he decided to seriously compete for a supervisory position, so he took a statistics course at GMU because he knew he'd need it for a master's degree. "Once I earned my master's, the whole world opened up to me," said Pardini. "I tested for sergeant and made it in October 2001."

In that position, he said, "I concentrated on growing great employees and enjoying being a first-line supervisor. I focused on their skills and talents, mentoring the younger officers." He later became a lieutenant in 2004, supervising day and midnight patrol shifts.

Promoted to captain in 2006, he was the commander of Professional Standards and

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solid credentials," said Mayor Scott Silverthorne. "I predict he'll be an effective and popular chief with his officers and throughout the community."

As for Pardini, he was "humbled, honored, elated and very proud to be promoted to this level. I'm so excited about the challenges and opportunities we have ahead of us. We have a tremendous legacy of service to the community to uphold."

Acknowledging the previous chiefs' work, Pardini said, "I've got some big shoes to fill. But we have a great team here, with wonderful volunteers, civilian staff and 69 sworn officers. When the chips are down, people come together as a real, working team."

And he's no slouch, himself. He was named City of Fairfax Police Officer of the Year in 1998 and 2001 and also received the Bronze Medal of Valor in 2001. He received the Department's Distinguished Action Award in 2003 and Distinguished Service Award in 2014. But he's not in it for the acclaim.

"I predict he'll be an effective and popular chief with his officers and throughout the community."

— Mayor Scott Silverthorne

"I've had some great experiences," said Pardini. "To love what you're doing for 25 years, accomplish what I have and be able to serve in this capacity is like a dream come true."

"We turn out a tremendous amount of 30-year employees here because it's such a wonderful community to work in," he continued. "We're proud of our city and there's pride in knowing we're providing excellent services and are well-respected by community groups, residents and business owners."

PARDINY likened Fairfax's police department to a small town in a big metropolis. But at the same time, he said, "We're very advanced and have a great building and great opportunities for training and advancement. And now I can facilitate providing our officers with the resources, expertise and training to do the jobs I used to do – and that's so rewarding."

As the City's demographics change, he wants his officers to be well-prepared to meet the high standards the residents expect from them. "People from different cultures, professors, college students and well-educated professionals live here," said Pardini.

Pardini was later promoted to major, serving as Fairfax's deputy police chief – and eventually, acting chief – from July 2011 until this July, when he was promoted to colonel and became the City's chief of police.

"Carl has faithfully served the City for over two decades and rose through the ranks based on performance, savvy and

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Police Chief Hits the Ground Running

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“There’s also an increasing senior-citizen community. And providing them all services – and letting them know we’re there for them – is an important part of our job.”

Currently, vandalisms and larcenies here are declining, while fraud against the elderly is rising. “It’s a huge concern – phone and money-card fraud and people using technology to scam others,” said Pardiny. “It’s our job to deter these crimes and, when they happen, to work like heck to find the bad guys and bring them to justice.”

Since several officers retired recently, 11 others were promoted and more will happen in November. “It lets me select the best people and put them in the best positions,” said Pardiny. “Then I have to fill their old jobs. So there’s a new energy in the Police Department and people are excited about the opportunities they’re going to have. We pride ourselves on having a great work environment.”

Personally, his greatest joys are his wife and two daughters. He also enjoys biking, hiking and fishing. Professionally, his satisfaction will come from “eventually growing the next generation of commanders, deputy chiefs and the next chief to fill my position – if I ever decide to retire. I’d like to leave this place a little better than when I started. We have quality officers and it’s nice really being part of the community. I hit the ground running – and I love it.”



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Robinson goalkeeper Caroline Freeman recorded a shutout against Centreville in the Conference 5 tournament quarterfinals on Oct. 20.



Robinson's Addie Walsh scored a goal against Centreville in the Conference 5 tournament quarterfinals on Oct. 20.

Robinson Goalie Freeman Shuts Out Centreville

Rams earn regional berth with tournament victory.

BY JON ROETMAN
THE CONNECTION

In a matchup of quality goalkeepers with their seasons on the line, it was Robinson's Caroline Freeman who walked off the field with a clean sheet and an opportunity to play another day.

The Robinson field hockey team defeated the Centreville Wildcats 3-0 in the win-or-go-home quarterfinal round of the Conference 5 tournament on Oct. 20 at Robinson Secondary School. Both Freeman and Centreville's Kylie LeBlanc entered the contest in the top five for saves in the Washington, D.C.-metro area, according to stats from the Washington Post's allmetsports.com. The Rams and Wildcats were locked in a scoreless tie in the second half before Robinson scored three goals in a span of five minutes, including two against LeBlanc.

Robinson's Addie Walsh scored the game's first goal with 20:35 remaining in the second half. Katie O'Loughlin found the back of the cage less than two minutes later, and Charlotte Clark put the finishing touches on the 3-0 win.

"I think once we got that first goal," Rams head coach Lindsay Arnsmeier said, "they just calmed down."

LeBlanc, a sophomore, tallied four saves and finished her season ranked third in the area with 160.

"She's aggressive," Centreville head coach Demby Banbury said. "She is not afraid. And if you look at her, she's constantly ready. Even if the ball is [at the other end of the field], she's never just standing there. She's always focused and she's only a sophomore."

Freeman, a senior, had three saves and sits in fifth with a 114 and an opportunity



Katie O'Loughlin and the Robinson field hockey team secured a berth in the 6A North region tournament with a 3-0 win over Centreville on Oct. 20.

to add to her total.

"[Freeman has] been amazing," Arnsmeier said. "She is one of my key players on defense. She's explosive. I think she's the top goalie in the area."

Freeman became a field hockey goalie her freshman year. Her comfort level grew after a couple seasons and now she wants to play at the collegiate level.

"I was just sort of thrown into the position," Freeman said. "... I was a soccer goalie and my teammates needed a [field hockey] goalie for freshman year because they didn't have one. They said it's just like [playing] soccer goalie. It wasn't. It was a new thing. I got more comfortable in the pads to the point where soccer goalie became hard to play because I wasn't comfortable without pads."

Arnsmeier said Freeman has taken control during her senior season.

"Last year, she was a little timid with some of the things that she did," Arnsmeier said. "She wouldn't come out as much. Now, she

just commands the circle. It's her circle and she doesn't want anyone to be in it. She makes sure all her teammates are being aware of what's going on, too.

"She is one of my key players on defense. She's explosive. I think she's the top goalie in the area."

— Robinson field hockey coach Lindsay Arnsmeier about Caroline Freeman

"... Her communication at the beginning of last season was terrible and that was the main thing that we focused on, that she needs to be talking the whole time. Now, you can always hear her."

The victory advanced Robinson to the conference tournament semifinals and earned the Rams a berth in the 6A North region tournament. The Rams faced No. 1 seed and defending state champion Westfield in the semifinals on Wednesday, after The Connection's deadline.

The conference tournament championship game is Thursday, Oct. 23 at Oakton High School.

SPORTS ROUNDUPS

West Springfield Football Beats Lake Braddock

The West Springfield football team sits in second place in the Patriot District after knocking off defending champion Lake Braddock 16-14 on Oct. 17 at West Springfield High School.

The Spartans improved to 5-2, including 3-1 in district play.

West Springfield will travel to face Annandale at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 24.

Robinson Football Suffers First Loss

The Robinson football team was knocked from the ranks of the unbeaten, losing to Westfield 31-14 on Oct. 17.

The Rams (6-1) will travel to face Oakton at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 24.

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TOWN OF CLIFTON TOWN COUNCIL AND TOWN OF CLIFTON PLANNING COMMISSION
NOVEMBER 4, 2014

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Clifton Town Council and the Town of Clifton Planning Commission will hold a joint Public Hearing on Tuesday, November 4, 2014 at 7:30 P.M. at the Town Meeting Hall, 12641 Chapel Road, Clifton, VA 20124 to consider the amendment of the Town of Clifton's Zoning Ordinance, resulting from the requirements of the Virginia Stormwater Management Program Regulations, to adopt Fairfax County's Chapter 124 of the Code of the County of Fairfax, Stormwater Management Ordinance, into the Town Code, as Chapter 13 of the Town of Clifton Code. The proposed revision to the Town Code by the addition of Chapter 13 of the Zoning Ordinance is available for review and downloading on the Town's website at www.cliftonva.us and a hard copy of the proposed Chapter 13, Stormwater Management Ordinance Zoning Ordinance may be examined at the Clifton Post Office, 12644 Chapel Road, Clifton VA, 20124. All interested parties are invited to attend and express their views with respect to the proposed adoption of Chapter 13 to the Town of Clifton Zoning Ordinance of the Stormwater Management Ordinance.

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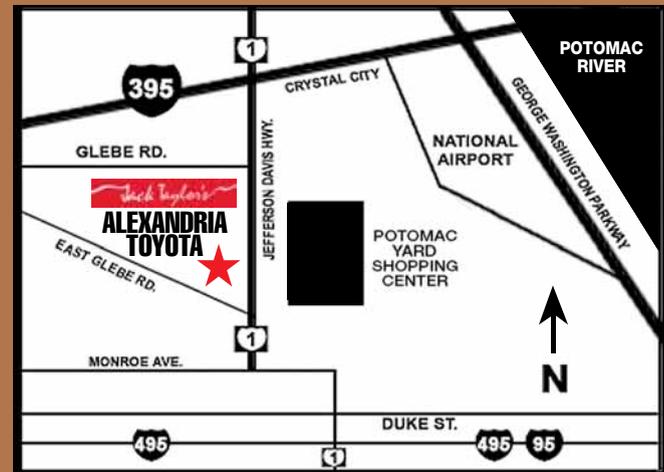
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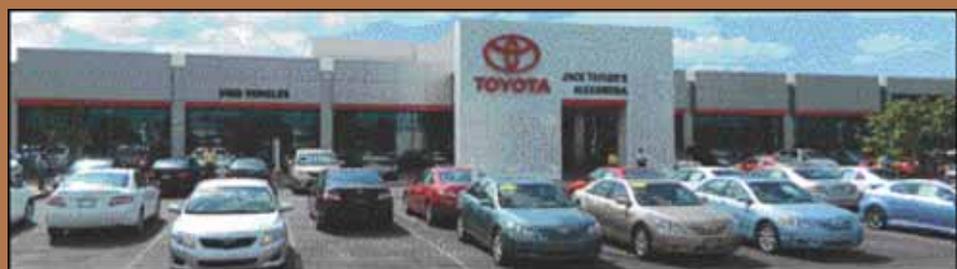
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<p>TOYOTA GENUINE SERVICE BRAKE SPECIAL \$99⁹⁵ PADS</p> <p>Includes: Install Genuine Toyota front brake pads, inspect front & rear rotors & drums, check tire condition and inspect all hardware. TCMC pads only.</p> <p>MACHINE ROTORS AN ADDITIONAL \$199.95.</p> <p><small>DOES NOT APPLY TO ALL VEHICLES. PLEASE SEE SERVICE ADVISOR FOR DETAILS. NOT VALID WITH ANY OTHER OFFER OR COUPON. TOYOTA VEHICLES ONLY. OFFER EXPIRES 10/31/14. COUPON MUST BE PRESENTED AT TIME OF WRITE-UP. VALID ONLY AT ALEXANDRIA TOYOTA. TAX AND SHOP SUPPLIES ADDITIONAL.</small></p>	<p>TOYOTA GENUINE SERVICE 30000 MILES FACTORY RECOMMENDED SERVICE \$159⁹⁹</p> <p><small>Synthetic \$10 More</small></p> <p>Includes: Change engine oil & filter (up to 5 qts), rotate tires, inspect wear and adjust pressure, measure brake pad thickness & rotor runout, replace cabin air filter (if equipped), replace engine air filter, reset maintenance reminder light (if applicable) and multi-point vehicle inspection.</p> <p><small>NOT VALID WITH ANY OTHER OFFER OR COUPON. TOYOTA VEHICLES ONLY. OFFER EXPIRES 10/31/14. COUPON MUST BE PRESENTED AT TIME OF WRITE-UP. VALID ONLY AT ALEXANDRIA TOYOTA. TAX AND SHOP SUPPLIES ADDITIONAL.</small></p>	<p>TOYOTA GENUINE SERVICE OIL & FILTER SERVICE SPECIAL \$5⁰⁰ OFF</p> <p>Includes: Change oil, install Genuine Toyota oil filter, inspect & adjust all fluid levels and complimentary multi-point inspection with print out.</p> <p><small>NOT VALID WITH ANY OTHER OFFER OR COUPON. TOYOTA VEHICLES ONLY. OFFER EXPIRES 10/31/14. COUPON MUST BE PRESENTED AT TIME OF WRITE-UP. VALID ONLY AT ALEXANDRIA TOYOTA.</small></p>	<p>TOYOTA GENUINE SERVICE DETAIL SPECIALS \$39⁹⁵</p> <p>Wash & Vacuum \$139⁹⁵</p> <p>Hand wash, wax & interior cleaning \$295⁹⁵</p> <p>Full premium detail</p> <p><small>NOT VALID WITH ANY OTHER OFFER OR COUPON. TOYOTA VEHICLES ONLY. OFFER EXPIRES 10/31/14. COUPON MUST BE PRESENTED AT TIME OF WRITE-UP. VALID ONLY AT ALEXANDRIA TOYOTA.</small></p>
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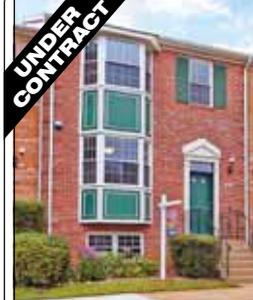
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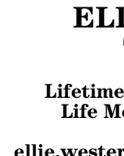
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