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Fall Festival Opens

Hayrides, baby animals, Fields of Fear on 90 acres of fun at Cox Farms.

BY STEVE HIBBARD
THE CONNECTION

The 43rd annual Fall Festival is now opened at Cox Farms in Centreville and promises to be fun for the entire family. Situated on 90 acres at 15621 Braddock Road, off Pleasant Valley Road in Centreville, the farm has hayrides, baby animals, rope swings, slides, and plenty of fun, especially for little ones.

"It's our favorite time of the year; the weather's been great and it's a great time to run around and play," said owner Gina Cox-Richard.

Some of the new attractions this year include an Imaginature Trail, a walk-through-the woods with fairy tale themes like Goldilocks and information about local wildlife. Another newbie is the last-call tickets, where every weekday in October, tickets are half-priced after 4 p.m., so it's \$5 instead of \$10 on weekdays only, except for Columbus Day. The Fields of Fear now offers the Back Forty, a scary walk through the backwoods with lots of surprises and monsters.

"The Corn nightmare, Zombie Zoo and hayride are better than ever with lots of improvements," said Lucas Cox, co-farmer in chief. "With the addition of the Imaginature Trail, the 2015 Fall Festival is more fun than ever for people of all ages."

The Fall Festival runs daily from 10 a.m.-



Amelia "Mimi" Puls of Woodbridge plays on the rope swing.

6 p.m. now through Nov. 8 The outdoor activities include live entertainment, a goat village, tunneling through a mountain of hay and a Cornundrum Cornfield Adventure.

At night, Cox Farms is transformed into the 20-acre Fields of Fear for older teens and adults. The spooky nighttime adventure is open Friday and Saturday nights in October, from 7:30-11 p.m. It includes the Vortex, Claustrophobia Crypt, Hall of Whispers, and Back from the Dead Clowns. Fear tickets are \$13.

Those brave enough to enter the Fields

of Fear are led to the Corn nightmare to experience cornfield terrors in the dark. There, they walk through the Hall of Whispers, Bug Room and Claustrophobia, secluded in tall corn with scary creatures. There are also crazed clowns, plus illusions and a new, secret finale to the Corn nightmare. Also the Dark Side Hayride Zombie Zoo has 35 zombies.

The Firegrounds is also part of the nighttime events, but it's fun and not frightening. Cox Farms' six-lane slide is open for rides, and people can hang out at giant bonfires, listen to music and roast



Michael Wallberg of Bristow, Va., feeds the baby goat.

marshmallows. The Firegrounds and Fear Games include a dark maze, dance party, entertainment, music, a giant slide, Kettle corn, food and much more. Once night falls, however, scary creatures roam free, so the Fields of Fear isn't recommended for children under 12; and anyone under 14 must be accompanied by an adult, 18 or older.

The pumpkin-smashing event, Pumpkin Madness, is slated for Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 7-8, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. For ticket prices and more information, see www.coxfarms.com.

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Blood and Guts 5K Race on Oct. 24

Runners to face zombie apocalypse.

BY STEVE HIBBARD
THE CONNECTION

The fourth-annual Blood and Guts 5K Run will take place Saturday, Oct. 24 at Bull Run Regional Park in Centreville. About 5,000 people are expected to attend this zombie apocalypse event. Runners will trudge through roughly 15 obstacles while a horde of zombies shoots at them with "blood"-filled water guns. The low- to moderate-risk obstacle course race is designed for individuals of all ages and abilities and takes place every half-hour starting at 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

"The Blood and Guts Run is a fun event for any runner and for anyone that loves Halloween," said founder Max Bawarski, 32, of Manassas, who wanted to create something fun and challenging. "A lot of our participants run the race in costumes and it is a blast."

Obstacles include a creepy cargo net, rugged rope wall, blood water slide, beams of fear, terrifying traverse, and lurking ladder wall. New this year are the bloody balance ball and the got guts inflatable obstacle course. About 50 trash cans filled with "blood" reserves will be used by the zombies (volunteers in makeup) for restocking and shooting at runners. A rinse station will



The Blood and Guts 5K Race will include 15 obstacles at Bull Run Regional Park in Centreville.

be set up near the finish line.

Bawarski says the Blood and Guts Run is a perfect event for groups and families. "We had kids as young as 5 years old complete the 5K event last year. We try hard to differentiate our obstacles so that everyone (no matter your age) can have fun and get a bit of a challenge," he said. "Our event is also great for groups because it can be a great

team-building activity for everyone involved."

Highlights this year include: the Old Bust Head Beer Garden, vendors and access to food trucks, costume competitions, and a Zumba Dance Party, said Bawarski, who is a physical education teacher (grades K-6) at Providence Elementary in Fairfax. He was an All-American runner and track star in

2002; he graduated from Cortland State College in New York.

In the costume competition, prizes will be awarded for the wildest individual costume, wildest team costume, muddiest runner, and bloodiest runner. In addition, deejays will be playing the top hits throughout the day and Zumba Fusion dancing will take place on the stage. A portion of the proceeds will benefit charity partner Susan G. Komen of Virginia and Maryland for breast cancer research. Runners will receive a custom-made Blood and Guts T-shirt and medal when they complete the 5K obstacle course. Volunteers, who will receive free admission, are needed to be zombies, makeup artists, security, and miscellaneous positions. To volunteer, contact Max@BloodandGutsRun.com. The cost to enter the 5K run is \$55 through Oct. 17, and \$69 through Oct. 24. If registering four or more people on a team, email support@BloodandGutsRun.com for a discount. Check the website for the promo codes.

The Blood and Guts Race event will take place at the Bull Run Regional Park Special Events Center, 7700 Bull Run Drive, Centreville. Visit the website at www.BloodandGutsRun.com or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/bloodandgutsrun or call 703-593-3173.

ROUNDUPS

Looking for Firefighters

The Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department is accepting applications for the position of firefighter/EMT now through Oct. 2. Applications will be accepted only online through governmentjobs.com. An email address is necessary to apply online. Upon completion and submittal of an application, applicants should receive an email notification stating the application has been received. For more information, see www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fr/recruitment/

Route 50 Paving Underway

Route 50 between the bridge over Cub Run just east of Pleasant Valley Road in Fairfax County and Route 28 will receive final paving and new permanent striping as part of the Route 50 Widening project, according to the Virginia Department of Transportation. The paving was scheduled to begin Monday, Sept. 28, weather permitting, at 8 p.m. on westbound Route 50 at Lee Road. Over the course of four weeks, the work will progress westward on Route 50 toward the bridge over Cub Run, then shift to eastbound Route 50 at the bridge and progress eastward toward Route 28. The work will occur each week Sunday through Friday night (except for next week), beginning at 8 p.m. and lasting until 5:30 a.m. the following day. During this timeframe, traffic will be reduced to one lane between Pleasant Valley Road in Fairfax County and Route 28. Motorists should expect delays. The \$94.9 million project to widen Route 50 from four to six lanes between Route 28 in Fairfax County and Poland Road in Loudoun County is scheduled for substantial completion in October and final completion in November.

Free Carseat Inspections

Certified technicians from the Sully District Police Station will perform free, child safety carseat inspections Thursday, Oct. 15, 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.

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.

Food Donations for WFCM

Western Fairfax Christian Ministries' food pantry needs donations of 1-2 pound bags of rice, canned fruit (all types), canned pastas, canned meats (tuna, ham, chicken), cold and hot cereals, spaghetti and sauces, peanut butter, canned vegetables (including spinach, collar greens, beets) and cooking oil.

Toiletries needed, which WFCM clients cannot purchase with food stamps, include facial tissues, toothpaste, shampoo and solid deodorant.

Bring all items to WFCM's food pantry, weekdays, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m., at 13888 Metrotech Drive, near Papa John's Pizza and Kumon Learning Center, in Chantilly's Sully Place Shopping Center. A volunteer stocker/bagger is needed Wednesdays, 4-6 p.m. Contact Annette Bosley at 703-988-9656, ext. 110, or abosley@wfcmv.org.

Learn about Police Department

Throughout the year, the Fairfax County Police Department will host a series of lectures as part of its 75th anniversary.

❖ Oct. 2 – Early days of Diversity, 11 a.m. at the Massey Building A Level conference room <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/early-days-of-diversity-tickets-15374156516>

❖ Nov. 4 – Criminal Justice Academy, 11 a.m. at the Criminal Justice Academy <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/criminal-justice-academy-tickets-15374248792>

❖ Dec. 14 – Crisis Negotiations Team, 11 a.m. at the Criminal Justice Academy <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fcpd-crisis-negotiations-team-tickets-15374274870>

NEWS

Marsh Leads Fair Oaks Station

Keeping officers happy and the community safe.

By BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

The Fair Oaks District Police Station running smoothly, due to its officers as well as the man at the helm, Capt. Chris Marsh. Altogether, he's worked nearly 23 years in the Fairfax County Police Department.

He joined the military after high school and served four years in the Army, ending at Fort Belvoir. He was a military police officer, so it was only natural that, in April 1993, he attended Fairfax County's Criminal Justice Academy.

Marsh began his career as a patrol officer at the Mount Vernon District Station and was there seven years. "It was an active station," he said. "I was on a great squad with a lot of great officers and built the foundation of being a good police officer."

Promoted to sergeant, he was transferred to the Mason District Station as a first-line supervisor. "There, I helped mentor other officers, enrich their careers and support the Police Department's mission and the community," he said.

Marsh was next promoted to second lieutenant and went to the Sully District Station in April 2003. "I was there about two years as a squad supervisor," he said. "It's probably where I most developed as a squad leader, refining my trade."

Another promotion made him a first lieutenant and brought him to Reston as assistant commander of that police station until February 2007. "Every first-line supervisor had more time in the department than I did, and some had double," said Marsh. "So they were well-established and knew what they were doing and it worked out well."



Capt. Chris Marsh stands outside the Fair Oaks District Station.

BONNIE HOBBS/THE CONNECTION

This position also gave him experience "working with the Board of Supervisors and getting out into the community and understanding what it was looking for in a police department. I got involved in their issues and they wanted to be kept in the loop about ongoing stuff in the district. So it was information sharing both ways."

Marsh next made a lateral move to the department's Internal Affairs Investigations Division, staying three years. "It investigates allegations of wrongdoing — from violations of policy and regula-

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'We Made a Difference'

Girls raise money for animal shelter.

By BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

Take two girls, add in compassion, determination and a love for animals, and the result is a successful fundraiser for the Fairfax County Animal Shelter.

The girls are Tara Sankner, a fifth-grader at Lees Corner Elementary, and Shelby Mysel, a sixth-grader at Providence Elementary. Good friends, they initially met at softball, where both pitch for The Galaxy in the Vienna Girls Softball League.

Tara, 10, is battling brain cancer, but that doesn't stop her from thinking of others. In fact, the fundraiser was her idea.

"I've always wanted to help the animal shelter because I don't like the way people leave dogs on the side of the road," she said. "So I thought we should raise money to help the shelter."

That way, said Shelby, 11, "They could buy medicine or anything else they needed. Tara decided to sell handmade potholders/coasters and I asked her if I could help." Tara had a craft kit for them and, once she learned how to weave them, she taught Shelby.

Soon, they were busy making lots of 3-inch-square,



Shelby Mysel (left) and Tara Sankner show their handmade potholders/coasters.

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cloth potholders in a variety of colors and patterns — stripes, squares and crosses. "We started working on them in June, when school let out," said Tara. They made the potholders on their own and also together during sleepovers.

"It only takes a few minutes to make each one," said Shelby. Eventually, they'd made nearly 150 and sold them for \$3 apiece.

"We took orders, and my mom posted our project on my cancer page in Facebook and told people that she knew," said Tara. Shelby's mom brought fliers to work. Altogether, the girls raised \$588. "Some people

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OPINION

Changing Perspective on Death Penalty

Evolving standards will eclipse death penalty entirely at some point in the future.

It's sad to see senseless death as a response to senseless death. Alfred R. Prieto is not a sympathetic figure, a serial killer who was on death row in California when DNA connected him to murders and rapes in Reston and Arlington that took place in 1988. He is scheduled for execution this week, at 9 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 1.

Evolving standards of decency have led to the understanding that it's wrong and unconstitutional to subject people whose crimes were committed when they were juveniles or people with intellectual disabilities to the death penalty.

The Arc of Northern Virginia, an advocacy group for people with intellectual disabilities, asked Gov. Terry McAuliffe to send Prieto back to California so that his intellectual disabilities, raised in the sentencing phase of his trial, could be analysed. McAuliffe has declined to

intervene in Prieto's case. It was a Virginia case, *Atkins v. Virginia*, that led the U.S. Supreme Court to rule that execution of people with mental retardation is unconstitutional.

Prieto was sent to Virginia to face trial even though he was already on death row in California because of the belief, clearly correct, that he would be more likely to be executed in Virginia.

Over time, it seems clear that evolving standards of decency will end the death penalty in the United States. The number of death sentences has dropped dramatically since 2000, and executions have declined as well, from a high of 98 in 1999 to just 35 in 2014, the lowest in 20 years, according to Amnesty International.

Prieto committed heinous crimes, and releasing him from prison should never be an option.

Warren Fulton and Rachel Raver were last seen around midnight in Washington, D.C. on Dec. 2, 1988. The two George Washington University students, both 22, were found dead Dec. 6, 1988 in a field off Hunter Mill Road in Reston. Both were shot in the head. Raver had been raped. Investigators believed they had been abducted and forced to drive to the remote location. DNA evidence linked Prieto to Raver's death and to that of Veronica Jefferson,

Vigil to Oppose Death Penalty

Virginians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty will hold vigils around the state on the evening that Alfredo Prieto is scheduled for execution, Thursday, Oct. 1.

Arlington Vigil in opposition to the death penalty

Oct. 1, 8:30-9:10 p.m.

Clarendon Metro Station. The vigil will be held in the public park between Clarendon and Wilson Boulevards, right behind the Metro exit. Attendees are welcome to bring signs with appropriate, peaceful, anti-death penalty messages.

For more information, contact Elise Cleva at elise.cleva@gmail.com or see <http://www.vadp.org/>

a 24-year-old CIA finance officer who was raped and shot to death in Arlington County in May 1988, although he was never tried in that case. A Fairfax County jury sentenced Prieto to death in 2006.

The murders and rapes were unsolved for 17 years until 2005 when California's DNA database joined a national database.

— MARY KIMM

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THROUGH FEB. 20

Deer Management Archery Program.

Under the oversight of the Fairfax County Police Department, in collaboration with the Fairfax County Park Authority and the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority, the archery program is conducted in parks and other locations throughout Fairfax County.

Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/living/wildlife/archery/archery-program.htm.

THURSDAY/OCT. 8

The Crossings at Chantilly Information Session. 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at Chantilly Regional Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road, Chantilly. Have questions answered about senior living options. Free. Visit www.thecrossingsatchantilly.com.

THURSDAY/OCT. 15

Liberty Republican Women's Club Anniversary. 6 p.m. social hour and 7 p.m. program at Sully Government Center, 4900 Stonecroft Blvd., Chantilly. The club celebrates its fifth anniversary. Free and the public is welcome. Call 703-378-4190.

THURSDAY/OCT. 22

The Crossings at Chantilly Information Session. 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at Chantilly Regional Library, 4000 Stringfellow Road, Chantilly. Have questions answered about senior living options. Free. Visit www.thecrossingsatchantilly.com.

SATURDAY/OCT. 24

VolunteerFest. 9 a.m.-9 p.m. at various locations. A region-wide day of community service helps nonprofits accomplish tasks they would not have time or resources to do on their own. Registration ends on Oct. 22. Visit www.volunteerfairfax.org/individuals/volunteerfest.php for more.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

Residents Can "E-cycle" at the I-66 transfer station. It is free but residents may be asked to show proof of residency. Personal waste only. The I-66 station is located at 4618

West Ox Road, Fairfax and open from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. from Monday-Saturday and from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on Sundays. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/recycling/electric-sunday.htm for more.

DONATIONS

The student Auto Sales Program operating from Centreville High School works in conjunction with the CVHS automotive technology classes to bring in donated automobiles, boats and motorcycles for students to work on. Some refurbished vehicles are sold, with 75 percent of the proceeds going back to the auto tech program. The program is in need of cars, trucks or motorcycles, which are fully tax deductible, for student training. Contact Lyman Rose at 703-802-5588 or by e-mail lyman.rose@fcps.edu for more.

Cell phones for Soldiers is accepting donations of old cellphones so that troops can call home. Patrons may drop off donations at 14215E Centreville Square, Centreville.

SUPPORT GROUP

Telephone Support Group for Family Caregivers of Older Adults. 7 p.m. every second Tuesday of the month. This telephone support group is designed to help caregivers of older adults share experiences, gain support and get important information without having to travel. These are one-hour free sessions. Find out more and register at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/olderadultservices/ and click on Caregiver Telephone Support Group.

Fair Oaks Parkinson's Support Group for people living with Parkinson's disease, caregivers and family, meets on the fourth Saturday monthly, 10 a.m.-noon at Sunrise at Fair Oaks, 3750 Joseph Siewick Drive, Fairfax. Call 703-378-7221 or visit www.fairoaksparkinsons.com for more.



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Officer of the Month

PFC Brian Rochefort (on left) receives the Officer of the Month certificate from 1st Lt. Matt Owens. He was honored during the Sept. 9 meeting of the Sully District Police Station's Citizens Advisory Committee. "He's a member of the Traffic Enforcement Team, going after speeders, red-light runners, etc.," said Owens, the assistant station commander. "He puts out the radar trailers, variable message boards and traffic counters and excels at ticket-writing. Officer Rochefort has been here since 2009 and, this year, is the number-one ticket-writer in all of Fairfax County. And that helps keep us safe on the roadways."

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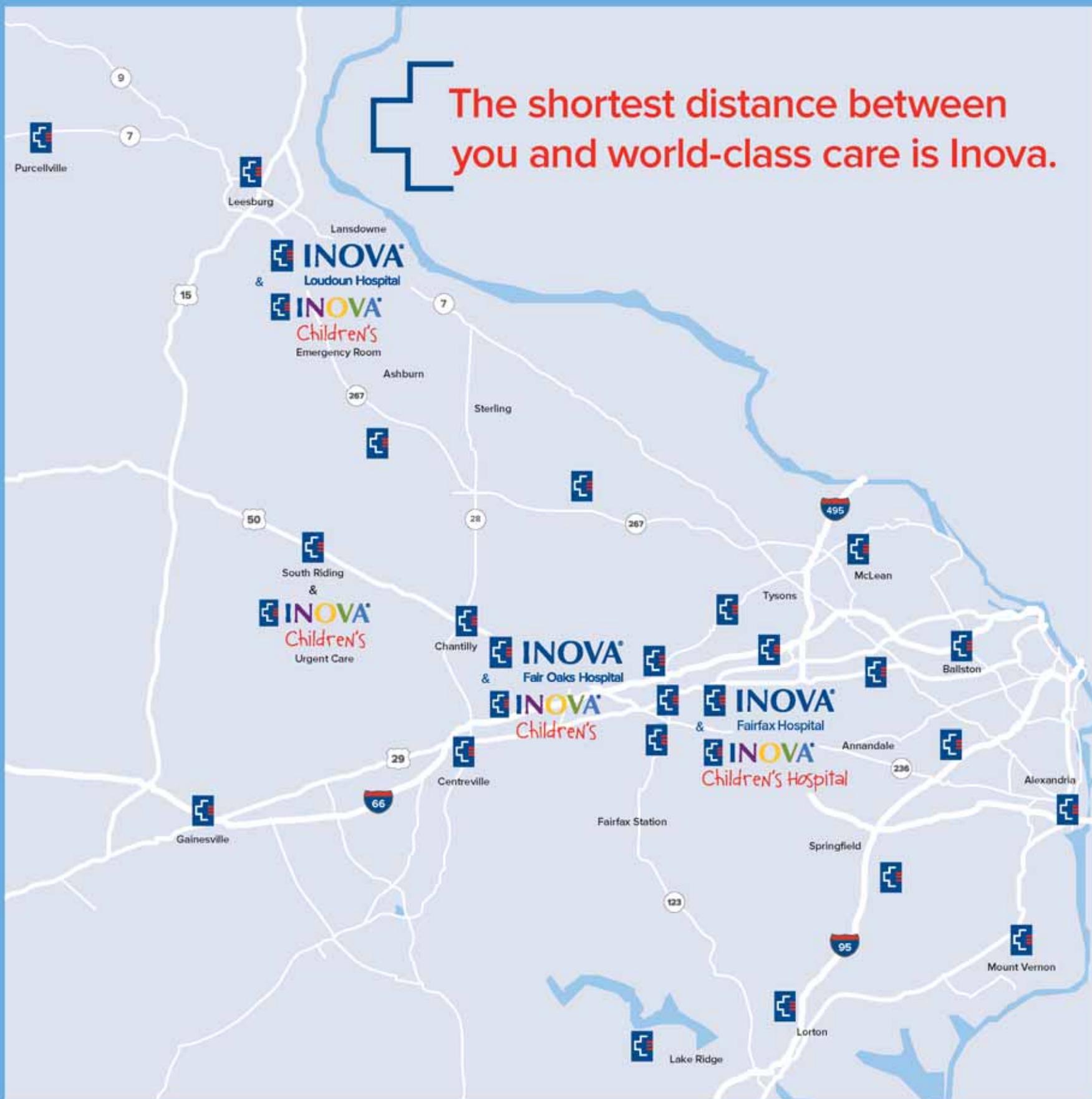
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ONGOING

GFWC Western Fairfax County Woman's Club is selling 2015 White House Christmas ornaments. This year's ornament honors 30th President, Calvin Coolidge. The ornament cost \$20. Call 703-378-6216 for more.

FRIDAY/OCT. 2

Annual Fellowship Dinner. 7 p.m. at Westfields Marriott, 14750 Conference Center Drive, Chantilly. The theme of Western Fairfax Christian Ministries' 8th Annual Fellowship Dinner is "Neighbors Helping Neighbors." The dinner is complimentary, but donations will be accepted to aid in WFCM's mission to prevent hunger and homelessness. Reservations are required by Sept. 23. Visit www.wfcma.org for more.

SATURDAY/OCT. 3

Flea Market. 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at Oakton Baptist Church of Chantilly, 14001 Sullyfield Circle, Chantilly. Call 703-631-1799 for more.

Lord & Taylor Fall Charity Day. 9 a.m.-10 p.m. at Lord & Taylor, Fair Oaks Mall, 11750 Fair Oaks Mall, Fairfax. The day will start with a breakfast for American Cancer Society caregivers and survivors at 9 a.m., followed by a Salvation Army Band performance and American Cancer Society poetry moment at 2 p.m., and a fashion show at 3 p.m. With the purchase of a \$5 ticket, guests receive a store-wide coupon for 20 percent off, 10 percent off cosmetics, and two 30 percent single item coupons. Visit www.lordandtaylor.com for more.

International Festival. 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. at St. Timothy Catholic Church, 13807 Poplar Tree Road, Chantilly. Celebrate Northern Virginia's ethnic and cultural diversity. Free. Visit www.sttimothyfestival.org/.

Northern Virginia Pride Festival. 12-9 p.m. at Bull Run Special Events Center, 7700 Bull Run Drive, Centreville. The second annual Northern Virginia Pride Festival with the theme "The Road Ahead." Visit www.novapridefest.org.

Clifton Barn Dance Hootenanny. 8 p.m. at The CBA Barn, 7139 Main St. Guests are asked to bring a dessert or covered dish. Tickets are \$45 per couple and \$25 for singles for Clifton Betterment Association members. Call Linda Diseati at 703-919-5337 for more.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/OCT. 3-4

Fairfax KidsFest. 10 a.m.-7 p.m. on Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Sunday at Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Activities include: Inova Healthy Play Zone, Fairfax Express Trackless Train, pony rides, maze, wiggle cars, instrument petting zoo, scarecrow making, animal petting zoo, model trains, pumpkin decorating, KidWay MidWay rides, and County Corner showcasing family-friendly services such as Kids IDs and more than 30 performances geared specifically to elementary school and toddler-aged children. Free. Visit www.fallforfairfax.com.

SUNDAY/OCT. 4

Railroad Technology Exhibit. 1-4



Fall Fun at Cox Farms

Cox Farms in Centreville will host several Autumn-themed events throughout the season including:

- **The Fall Festival**, running through Nov. 3, where visitors will find a market, animals, slides, a hayride, a "Cornundrum," and more. Tickets are \$5-17.
- **During Pumpkin Madness**, Nov. 7-8, guests will find a new "Imagination Trail," hayrides, giant slides, rope swings, and plenty of opportunities to smash a pumpkin. Tickets are \$5-17.
- **Fields of Fear**, open Friday and Saturday, 7:30-11 p.m. throughout October, is a 20-acre attraction where guests can visit the Firegrounds, the Cornnightmare, The Forest: Back 40, or take a "Darkside" Hayride. Tickets are \$13-25.

Visit www.coxfarms.com for more.

p.m. at The Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road, Fairfax Station. Contributions by local inventors since the early days of railroading and "futuristic" concepts, still being used today, will be highlighted. Artifacts from the Museum's collection will also be on display. Museum members and children 4 and under, free; children 5-15, \$2; adults 16 and older, \$4. Visit www.fairfax-station.org.

older to attend. Free, but reservations required. Call 703-815-8826 for more.

SATURDAY/OCT. 10

Community Irish Dancing. 7-10 p.m. at Frying Pan Park Visitors Center, 2739 West Ox Road, Herndon. Guests are invited to learn traditional Irish dance. Tickets are \$15 per person of \$35 per family. Visit www.ccepotomac.org for more.

SUNDAY/OCT. 11

Clifton Day. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. along Main Street, Chapel Street, and Chapel Road, Clifton. Entertainment will include performances by Boyle School Of Irish Dance, local students from Sophia Music School, Douglas Everton & The Wayward Street Players, The Woodsheddors, and Blueheart Revival. Guests will also find a market, and antiques for sale. Admission to the festival is free. Visit www.cliftonday.com for more.

T-TRAK Model Train Show. 1-4 p.m. at Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road. Table Top N gauge model trains will be on display and running. Museum members and children 4 and under, free; children 5-15, \$2; adults 16 and older, \$4. Visit www.fairfax-station.org.

TUESDAY/OCT. 13

Wine Tasting. 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Total Wine & More, Greenbriar Town Center, 13055 Lee Jackson Memorial Highway, Fairfax. Learn about the General Federation of Women's Clubs Western Fairfax County Woman's Club's social and charitable activities, enjoy refreshments and door prizes, and learn about and sample French wines. Must be 21 or

THURSDAY-SUNDAY/OCT. 15-18

Centreville Library Used Book Sale. 6-8 p.m. on Thursday (member preview sale), 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday, 1-3 p.m. on Sunday at Centreville Regional Library, 14200 St. Germain Drive., Centreville. Free to attend. Call 703-830-2223 or visit www.friendsofcentreville.library.blogspot.com.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/OCT. 16-18

Craftmen's Classic Art & Craft Festival. 10 a.m.- 6 p.m. Friday-Saturday; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday at Dulles Expo Center, 4320 Chantilly Shopping Center, Chantilly. Watch craftspeople and artists from across America at work. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$1 for children 6-12 years old, and free for children under 6 years old. Call 336-282-5550 or visit www.craftshow.com.

OCT. 16-25

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SATURDAY/OCT. 17

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Fall Fun Fest. 1-5 p.m. at The nZone, 14550 Lee Road, Chantilly. New Life is hosting activities, moon bounces, face painting, jugglers, crafts, and more. Free. Visit www.thezone.com.

FRIDAY/OCT. 30

Scary Screen on the Green. 8 p.m. at the Winery at Bull Run, 15950 Lee Highway, Centreville. Watch a scary movie on a projection screen. Free to attend. Visit www.wineryatbullrun.com.

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SPORTS

Chantilly Volleyball Holds Off Langley in Five Sets

Chargers' Molina totals 19 kills, Recto has 14.

BY JON ROETMAN
THE CONNECTION

With the Chargers having gone 10 days without a match, Chantilly volleyball coach Charles Ezigbo had limited expectations entering Monday's meeting with Langley.

"I was really happy that we competed tonight — that's my main thing," Ezigbo said after Monday's action. "I just wanted to compete after that long layover."

Facing one of the top teams in the region, Chantilly did more than just compete.

The Chargers overcame a potential back-breaking fourth-set loss and a late fifth-set deficit to defeat the Saxons 3-2 (20-25, 25-22, 26-24, 25-27, 15-13) at Chantilly High School.

After trailing 11-10 in the fifth set, Chantilly benefited from some Langley miscues down the stretch, along with a key block by Chargers junior Simone Jeffries. The result was Chantilly improving to 5-2 while avoiding a three-match losing skid.

The Chargers had an opportunity to end the match earlier, when a kill by junior Julia Recto

gave Chantilly match point, 24-21, in the fourth set. But Langley responded by scoring six of the next seven points, including two kills and a block by sophomore setter

Elena Shklyar, to win 27-25 and force a fifth set.

"That's our first fifth-set match and we didn't know how we were going to handle it," Ezigbo said. "Obviously, we have things to learn because we almost gave it away."

While Chantilly "almost gave it away," it was Langley head coach Susan Shifflett who was left frustrated with her team's inability to capitalize.

"We had 16 unforced errors in the first set and 20 unforced errors in the second set," Shifflett said. "And then our match point is a silly ball into the net. I'm a little frustrated with not taking care of the ball. We had a stretch there for two weeks where we were just on fire and they had the fire in their belly and now all of the sudden

they've gone flat. Hopefully we can get that back together, get back to practice and start fresh again."

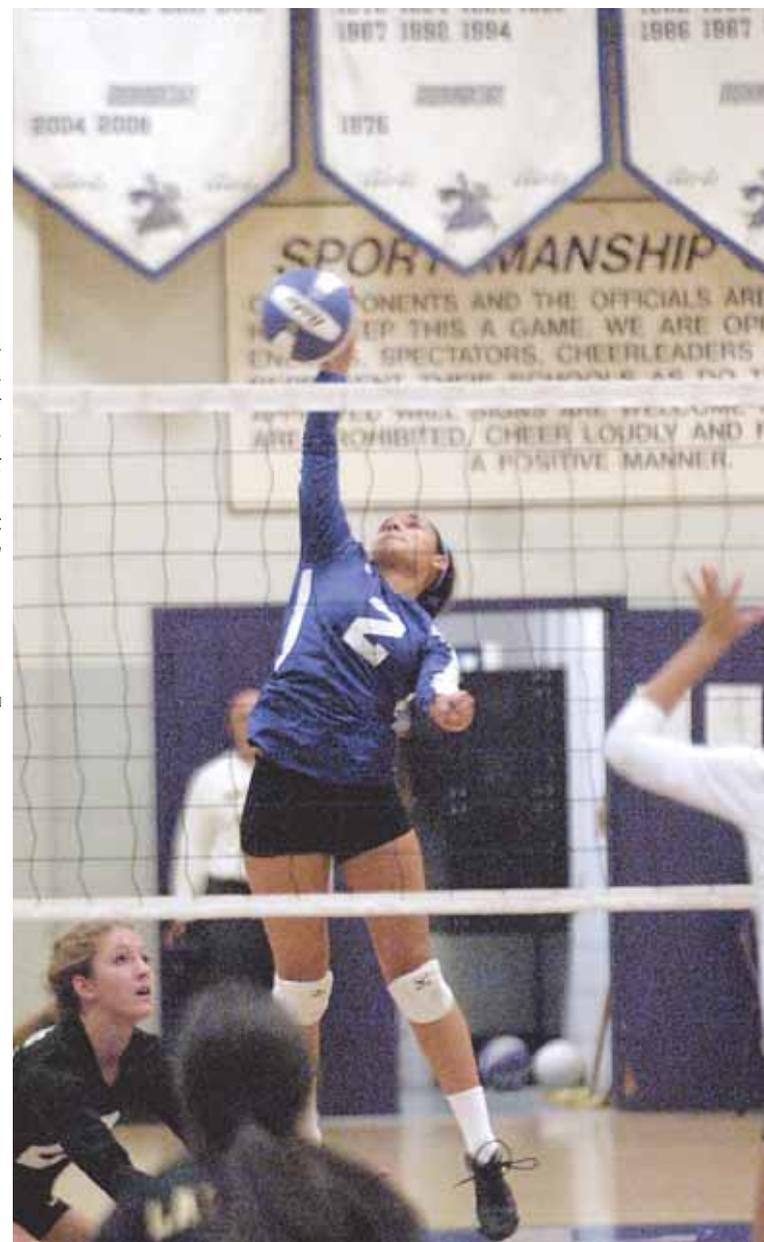
The defeat dropped Langley's record to 10-3.

"I told them they need to learn from it," Shifflett said. "You can't do that to the ball. You can't keep doing those kinds of mistakes and expect to be where we need to be when it counts. No, I don't want them to forget about it. I think they need to dwell on it a little bit."

After the teams split the first two sets, Chantilly held off Langley to win the third

"It was an amazing feeling. Everybody on the team did their part to really pull through that last set. Last year, we lost to them in a regional match, so it just felt really nice to earn our spot back."

— Chantilly junior Julia Recto



Milleysa Molina led Chantilly with 19 kills during Monday's five-set victory over Langley.

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set, 26-24. The Chargers held leads of 22-17 and 24-21, but thanks to four kills and a block by Shklyar, Langley battled back to tie the score at 24. Chantilly would not let this set slip away, though, as Recto responded with back-to-back kills, giving the Chargers a 2-1 advantage in the match.

Five-foot-4 junior Milleysa Molina led the Chargers with 19 kills while hitting against the taller Saxons.

"I always just push it to wherever the corners are or wherever it's open," Molina said. "Me being a short player, I can't always hit top-notch [attacks]. I've just got to choose where to hit."

Five-foot-9 Recto finished with 14 kills.

"I think it's really speed and just technique," Recto said about succeeding against the Saxons. "Our setters did a great job of getting the sets where we needed it to be and we kind of just had to trust our defense to tell us where we needed to go to get a kill." Alexa Carlisle, Katerina Bagatska and Brynn Feighery each had five kills for Chantilly. Jeffries finished with 5 1/2 blocks.

Senior outside hitter Jessica Donaldson led Langley with 15 kills. Sophomore middle blocker Allison Franke had nine kills and senior outside hitter Kristian Stanford

finished with six. Senior middle blocker Katie Sissler totaled five kills and six blocks.

Shklyar finished with 13 kills, five blocks and two aces.

"She can do everything," Shifflett said about Shklyar. "She's a good server, she's probably, I think, the best setter, absolutely, in the region, if not in the state, and she's a sophomore. And she can hit a heavy ball."

"If we can have her pass, set and hit to herself, that would be nice," Shifflett added with a laugh.

Langley will return to action at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 1 with a road match against Potomac Falls.

After a 4-0 start, Chantilly lost to Fairfax (3-1 on Sept. 15) and Madison (3-1 on Sept. 17) before beating Langley on Monday.

"The two games that we lost," Recto said, "definitely humbled us and got us to re-focus on our next matches."

The Chargers will travel to face South Lakes at 7:15 p.m. on Oct. 6.

"It was an amazing feeling," Recto said about beating Langley. "Everybody on the team did their part to really pull through that last set. Last year we lost to them in a regional match, so it just felt really nice to earn our spot back."



Julia Recto totaled 14 kills against Langley on Monday.

Farm Hosts Fall Festival

FROM PAGE 2

The hayride lasts 20 minutes and travels by cartoon characters in the cornfield, space aliens, a witches' house, superheroes, cowboys on horseback, a wild-west town and The Black Cauldron Café — the witches' coffee bar. At the end, the hayride travels through a large, enchanted barn filled with music, flashing lights and scenes of wizards, witches and magical plants and creatures. The free, weekend events also include entertainment on the music stage. Live bands perform, and Farmer Jack sings and tells stories while milking his cow, Bingo. Visitors may also enjoy the mining sluice. It's a tower that dumps water into a big, curvy trench where people can pan for fossils, gemstones and arrowheads.



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Anna Shorman of Fairfax visits with the Cox Farm Bunny (Erin Warren).

Bunnyville, inside the slide barn, hops into action for its fourth year. A slide comes out of the top of the barn, and the bottom part houses Bunnyville. Children may feed baby goats in the goat village. Alpacas are on the mountain leading up to the dinosaur slide and a couple peacocks roam free. There are also baby chicks, hens and chickens, a llama, turkeys, calves and milking cows, pigs and piglets. Cox added: "We

had piglets born yesterday from a first-time mom. They're incredibly cute, squeaking and running around all over the place." Visitors will also enjoy the five giant slides, straw tunnels and the Cornundrum Cornfield Adventure. The latter features funhouse mirrors, a hall of doors, giant vortex and a pirate ship. Also there is the Great Pyramid with hieroglyphics and some surprises inside.

Food is available for purchase throughout the farm. The selection includes hot dogs, hamburgers, nachos, root beer and root-beer floats. Homesmoked, pulled-pork, barbecue sandwiches are also on the menu, as are chocolate-chip and sugar cookies. Kettle corn is offered, too, plus homemade caramel apples. Fresh cider and apples are free. And if desired, visitors may bring their own lunches (no alcohol) for picnics on the grounds. They may also buy a variety of treats in the farm's market. The goodies include freshly baked apple pies, local apples, kettle corn, apple cider, desert breads, jams, local honey, Indian corn, squash, gourds and fall decorations. Visitors get to choose a free, patch pumpkin to take home.

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By KENNETH B. LOURIE

And into the breach (not to be confused with breach), I went earlier today. It wasn't exactly the Charge of the Light Brigade when breach might have been the more appropriate characterization, it was simply my annual MRI, when the doctors check to see if the cancer in my lungs has spread to my brain, which in 30 percent of the patients – the highest percentage of spread in fact – it does. So today, I had my head examined: a checkup from the neck up. Though I'm mostly asymptomatic – as usual, other than a few random headaches reported by yours truly; nothing chronic or debilitating, no pain or suffering, no dizziness or disorientation – it made for a prudent course of diagnostic action, nonetheless. I'm not really worried about the results, more like wondering, if that distinction even makes sense. Still, I'd just as soon not complicate my life any further right now. It's all fairly manageable. Involving my brain, "what there is of it," (a Three Stooges quote) however, would likely force us to confront new demons: demons which at present are mostly confined in their box (compartmentalized in my head, actually).

Now whether our feelings are the result of a possible occurrence in the brain simply being new and different or whether its appearance there would indeed be worse, we certainly don't know, but for some reason, it seems worse than a finding in the lung. Not that stage IV lung cancer is to be minimized in the least; hardly, it's a "terminal" disease; and not that I understand any more about brain cancer and the blood-brain barrier or treatment complications it can cause or can reference any statistical outcomes that support or confuse our feelings more than I can about the non-small cell lung cancer with which I am more familiar, our perception is, a confirmation of tumor activity in the brain would likely upset the very delicate balance of our figurative apple cart. An apple cart I will readily admit we've gotten used to balancing.

But I'm getting ahead (no pun intended) of myself. My oncologist was not anticipating much new information from this MRI, nor was he reacting to my symptoms as much as he was mindful of the interval of time since my last MRI: one year or so. I did/do take some comfort in his nonchalance. Although, reading a doctor's expressions or body language or attempting to interpret and understand their reasons and explanations for making certain medical suggestions is akin to taking a Rorschach test: you might see or hear what you're predisposed to – or not. There may be some fact and/or some fiction to consider, but who knows exactly what and when any of it is relevant or accurate? It might simply be a curiosity. But I have to tell you, a "curiosity" is the last thing a "terminal" patient wants to hear or perceive from his oncologist. I want the truth – as I've always told him, and anything to do with the brain truthfully makes me feel unlocked, unloaded and in trouble. Maybe "breach" is the more appropriate word. I suppose I'll know soon enough. I'll just have to be patient. Something I've been very good at being for six years and seven months, exactly.

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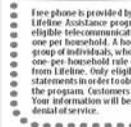
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Flanking Interim Animal Shelter Director Barbara Hutcherson are (from left) Tara Sankner and Shelby Mysel with their plaques.

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bought potholders and made a donation," said Tara. "And some just made donations." Meanwhile, Tara's mom, Tammy Sankner, contacted the animal shelter about the fundraiser. "They were happy we were doing it for them," said Shelby. "And surprised, too," added Tara.

Shelter employee Susan Kilcup then arranged for the girls to formally present their donation on Saturday, Aug. 22. "Some of our friends and family members were there, and the people at the animal shelter," said Shelby.

In turn, the shelter had a cake for them, and Interim Director Barbara Hutcherson spoke during the ceremony. She also presented the girls with plaques with raised silhouettes of a dog and a cat on each one, plus their names and the words, "Humane Hero 2015."

"The shelter went all out," said Shelby's mom, Karen Mysel. "I was very moved by it. And I thought what the girls did was great. Shelby's always talking about becoming a vet, and I was proud of them both."

When they visited the shelter, said Tara's dad, Craig Sankner, "They got a guided tour of the place. And some friends of ours later adopted a puppy that was brought in while we were there." He, too, was proud of the girls for their accomplishment and also for wanting to do it, in the first place. "They devised their plans, themselves, and asked help from Tammy and Karen when they needed it. And I got to drive them around for supplies."

As for the girls, they were delighted with the reception at the shelter. "The tour was really cool," said Shelby. And, said Tara, "We got to hold the newborn puppies."

Most of all, though, said Shelby, "It made us feel proud because we knew our fundraiser was for a good cause."

"And we made a difference and helped the animals," added Tara.

Now both girls are immersed again in school. Tara, who says she's currently "feeling good," especially likes art and social

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Marsh Leads Fair Oaks District Police Station

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tions to the use of deadly force and violations of state law," he said.

It also entails many administrative duties. "You realize the job's importance and that it's critical to maintaining the community's trust," said Marsh. "It's a great experience, giving you a strong foundation and a good place to have been because of the value it provides you."

Afterward, he became assistant commander of the Organized Crime and Narcotics Division, overseeing and helping investigate large-scale money-laundering, vice, narcotics and gambling offenses. He was promoted to captain in late 2013 and stayed put — but now he was that division's commander.

"I was there three years altogether," said Marsh. "It was a good assignment because it's so different than anything else. And it opens your eyes to some of the large-scale crime that goes on in the U.S. We networked and liaised with other local, federal and state agencies — and transportation hubs like airports — and



Capt. Chris Marsh at his desk at the Fair Oaks District Station.

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built good relationships with them."

He next spent a year as the staff duty officer attached to the Patrol Bureau. He was mainly in his vehicle, working 12-hour shifts throughout the county. "I responded to large-scale crises such

as missing persons, barricade situations — for example, a domestic incident or a wanted person — and fatal accidents," said Marsh. "I was the operational commander at the scene."

During his tenure, there were several missing-persons cases with extensive searches and rescues. "All the odd things that can surface in a community come to a duty officer," he said. "He also works closely with battalion chiefs in the fire departments, in a unified command approach. Even during a large, structure fire, police can help control traffic. Or in a barricade situation, the fire department could be waiting nearby."

"It was exciting — a great job — getting back to the core of police work," added Marsh. "You're back out there in the mix again, so it's invigorating."

He then came to the Fair Oaks District Station in January as its commander. He replaced John Naylor who now commands the Animal Control Division. "I was excited, looking forward to the challenge of running a district station," said Marsh. "You can have an impact on the quality of life of

the officers that work for you, as well as assist with community issues."

The Fair Oaks Station has 105 officers who cover 37 square miles. "I've enjoyed it," said Marsh. "A station commander is one of the busier jobs in the Police Department. I'm responsible for all the officers [here] — for their training, morale and equipment necessary to do the job. I'm also responsible for maintaining the facility, vehicles and equipment; everything ends with me."

He also deals with the community, speaking to groups and handling any complaints. "They're mainly related to traffic issues and we take them seriously," said Marsh. "I check to see if we've addressed it in the past, what we can do now and how the citizens can help us."

He said the biggest problems in the community are vehicle tamperings, burglaries and traffic. People often check for unlocked cars, said Marsh, and then steal the valuables inside. And over the past couple months, there have been several motorcycle thefts from residential areas, especially apart-

ment and condo complexes. But, he added, "Traffic is always the number-one complaint, especially on the smaller roads."

Happy at Fair Oaks, he said, "I came in here with the belief that I have the opportunity to improve the work life of the officers and supervisors, as well as increase and build relationships with the community we serve."

Cognizant of police problems nationwide, Marsh said, "We're under a microscope, but we should always act like we're being recorded. We're responsible to the community as a whole. And we need to continue doing the best job and keeping our integrity and way of doing things at a high level. We should give the community the service they deserve."

Since police work is a "continual, living operation," he said, every day's different and the job's never-ending. So, said Marsh, "It's important for me to learn the culture of this station and district so I can be an effective leader and improve things here and for this community."

He said his greatest satisfaction will be "making this place better than when I arrived. The officers are such a critical part of the community as a whole. So it's important for me to ensure that they're happy and have all the tools they need to keep the community safe. The great thing about this profession is the friendships and bonds you build with others — they really last."

Calling Fair Oaks a great community, Marsh is "looking forward to spending the next several years getting out there, meeting people and providing the quality service for which the Fairfax County Police Department is known."

Animal Shelter

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studies. In her spare time, she likes to draw, play with her dog and play softball. Shelby's favorite subjects are math and P.E.; she also likes playing softball and basketball and coloring.

But the pair haven't forgotten about the animals at the shelter. "We're already thinking about what we'll do next year to help them," said Shelby.

Grateful for their help, Hutcherson said, "It was really impressive that they were able to raise so much money; it was fabulous. The funds will go directly toward animal care — medical care or enrichment, such as harnesses, leashes and toys."

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