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Twenty-four students with a connection to Indian Spring will be picking up their diplomas at high school graduation ceremonies in June.

Most of the students are completing their studies at the two public high schools that serve our neighborhood, Montgomery Blair HS and Northwood HS.

The list below includes the 2017 graduates from nine high schools. It includes fall college destinations of those students who had decided by the newsletter's press time.

The newsletter staff made a concerted effort to include all names of graduates and their parents, but if anyone was overlooked, please send the relevant information to Jay P. Goldman (who compiled the information with help from others) at jgoldman@aasa.org so it can be published in the next Indian Spring newsletter. Also welcome are names of Indian Spring's collegians who are completing undergraduate and graduate degrees this spring or summer.



NORTHWOOD HIGH SCHOOL:

Sean Carter, son of Darlene and Jimmy Carter

John Hoskinson, son of Carolyn and Jimmy Hoskinson (Virginia Tech)

Connor Howse, son of Alison and Paul Howse (Ursinus College)

Robert Linstrom, son of Ann and Tom Linstrom (University of Maryland)

Sean Pretzfelder, son of Jill and Brian Pretzfelder

Elijah Schenck, son of Lalita and Marshall Schenck

Brianna Staples, daughter of Keith Staples (Montgomery College)

MONTGOMERY BLAIR HIGH SCHOOL:

Noah Dalbey, son of Liz Hunter and Matt Dalbey (College of William & Mary)

Siena Fouse, daughter of Jill Ortman-Fouse and David Fouse (University of Maryland)

Arielle Gottlieb, daughter of Walter Gottlieb and Becky Granastein

Spencer Helsing, son of Stephanie and Jeff Helsing (Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University)

Austin Kokkinakis, son of Rebecca Lane and Steve Kokkinakis (University of South Carolina)

Abby Wilson, daughter of

Sue and David Wilson (Tufts University)

Ben Yokoyama, son of Sara Melnick and Wes Yokoyama (Davidson College)

EINSTEIN HIGH SCHOOL:

Andres Merlos, son of Ester and Jaime Merlos

LINGANORE HIGH SCHOOL (FREDERICK COUNTY):

Katy Montgomery, daughter of Brandon Montgomery (St. Mary's College, Md.)

GEORGETOWN PREP:

Peter Zaudtke, son of Mary and Pete Zaudtke (University of St. Andrews, Scotland)

GEORGETOWN VISITATION:

Alex Pizzola, son of Toni and Kristen Pizzola (James Madison University)

GONZAGA:

Aidan Flood, son of Diane and Mike Flood (University of Southern California)

HOLY CROSS:

Maggie Dwyer, daughter of Katherine and Terry Dwyer

Kellie Simons, daughter of Laura Parichini-Simons and John Simons

St. John's College High School:

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From Joyce Stocker

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Theft from Vehicle Vandalism	Jan 11, 2017	200 Block E. Indian Spring Dr
Assault	Jan 20, 2017	9600 block Colesville Rd
Theft from Vehicle	Mar 2, 2017	9900 block Moss Ave
Assault	Mar 23, 2017	200 bl Univ Blvd
Assault	Mar 26, 2017	9700 bl Lawndale Dr



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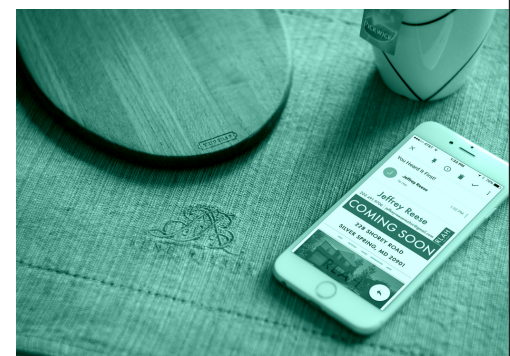
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Budding ISCA Filmmakers Gain the Eye of C-SPAN

By Jay P. Goldman

If either Alex Allen or Hunter Waltermán ever make a career out of documentary filmmaking, they can point to their start as young teens in the Indian Spring neighborhood.

Alex, who lives on Evergreen Street, and Hunter, who resides on Granville Drive, earned recognition for their prize-winning documentaries in C-SPAN's 2017 StudentCam competition earlier this year. C-SPAN received 2,903 film entries from more than 5,600 students nationwide, the most entries in the contest's 13 years.

Hunter, son of Fran and Scott Waltermán, is an 8th grader in Eastern Middle School's Humanities Magnet Program. He worked with two friends on a video they titled "A Nation Divided: The Syrian Refugee Crisis" (<https://www.viddler.com/v/e8c6de1f>). Their entry took honorable mention, earning them a \$250 prize.

Alex, son of Valeria Tortorelli and Jan Allen, is a 10th grader in the Communication Arts Program at Montgomery Blair HS. His three-student group produced a documentary titled "Drones: Our Future in the Sky." It also took honorable mention and a \$250 prize.



Alex Allen

Allen said he doesn't own a drone but had been intrigued by what he saw of them in photos and videos. "At the start, my group mates and I had little to no understanding about drones and the current legislation regarding them," he says.

They learned plenty about the state of the drone industry, interviewing

officials with the Federal Aviation Administration, former airline pilots, Navy civilians and others. They discovered current uses of drones for commercial purposes in landscaping and professional photography, as well as their use in search- and-rescue missions and the making of major motion pictures.

“Through the video, we attempted to send the message that drones really are our future, not just an idea or hope for tomorrow. We wanted to make it clear how important it was that drones be properly regulated if we are to have a smooth transition into a world where drones are commonplace,” Alex explained.

The six-minute documentary can be found at www.viddler.com/v/7f50dd55?secret=65857825.

Hunter said he selected his documentary topic once he learned more about the civil war in Syria and what refugees there were enduring.

“My group wanted to better inform people about Syrian refugees and the Syrian civil war. We thought it was important to try and look at every angle of the story and tell it as accurately as possible. We also wanted to try and give a voice to people who didn’t have one,” he said.

“While we do believe that the U.S. should make more of an effort to take in refugees not only from Syria but other war-torn countries, we also wanted to make sure that everyone’s ideas were heard so people could formulate their own opinions,” Hunter added.

His video, which runs 6½ minutes, is accessible at www.viddler.com/v/e8c6de1f.



Hunter Waltermann



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Details to follow.



Highland View Carnival Open to Neighborhood

Highland View's Community Carnival 2017 will take place from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 20. It will happen rain or shine at Highland View Elementary School, the K-5 public school serving most of the Indian Spring neighborhood.

Admission is \$9 for school-aged kids (adults and younger children are free). Admission includes tickets for popcorn and one ticket for musical cakes plus one ticket to play one of the carnival games.

The event includes moon bounces, Inflatable Interactives, carnival games, musical cakes, a bake sale, a "tattoo" parlor, food trucks and more.

For more details, contact Maura Suilebhan (msuilebhan@gmail.com) or Jill Siegelbaum (jill.siegelbaum@gmail.com).



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The indian spring book club... and environmental issues

Many residents may not be aware that Indian Spring has at least one Book Club that has been meeting monthly (except for a summer hiatus) for about two years. Interestingly, our last few books have been about immigrants aspiring to settle in the United States...and how tough that can be. Our current selection, “Flight Behavior” by Barbara Kingsolver deals with another current issue...the diminishing population of monarch butterflies. This topic has been popular on our listserv and those of surrounding neighborhood associations. Our “next door neighbor”, Sligo Branview, even petitioned Montgomery County to get permission to use a traffic circle for a butterfly garden. A few years ago, members of the Indian Spring Garden Club asked for, but was not given permission, to use the grounds of the YMCA or Christ Congregational Church for a butterfly garden...so, many of our residents planted monarch friendly flowers. We passed out milkweed seeds and started plants to give away. Behnke Nursery in Beltsville usually carries well established milkweed

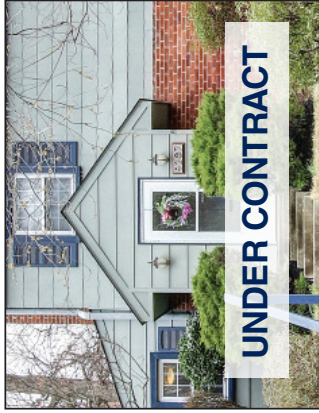
plants. Another source of free seeds is the website www.LiveMonarch.com. Our Longbranch Library stocks a PBS DVD entitled “The Incredible Journey of the Butterflies”...an amazing film! Not to be missed. Check it out! Getting back to “Flight Behavior”, the author of this novel finds a way to list environmentally friendly practices to help our Earth: “Reduce waste” by unsubscribing from the many catalogs and junk mail that we receive. Take your own containers to use as a “doggy bag” when eating out. (Despite my daughter’s cringing, this is something I do.) Reduce meat consumption...practice Meatless Mondays. The proposed federal budget slashes funding for environmental programs...our own Chesapeake Bay stands to lose significant funding. Can we be thoughtful about what we use on our lawns and gardens? Can we cut our electrical usage? “Reduce, Reuse, Recycle” has to become a grassroots effort. Or as my Grandma use to say, (an aphorism during the Depression), “Use it Up, Wear it Out, Make it Do, Do Without”.



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