

State Democratic Party leader to speak at local meeting

Thurs., Apr. 3

Who Hatches from an Egg?, 10-11 a.m., Rockwood Nature Center, 3401 Courthouse Rd. Children will discover which animals come from eggs and which do not. Part of the Exploring Nature with Small Hands Series for 3-4 year olds. Cost is \$4/child. For more information, call Denise Flora at 674-1629.

Get in the Know: Sleep, Hormones and Body Rhythm - Improving Your Sleep and Health Naturally, 10:30 a.m.-noon, LaPrade Library, 9000 Hull Street Rd. Dr. Tarek S. Elganainy, doctor of chiropractic, will present a program on sleep cycles and how to improve sleep quality naturally.

Calendar

Refreshments will be served. Free. For adults ages 55 and older. Sponsored by the Friends of the Chesterfield County Public Library and the Chesterfield County Parks and Recreation Department. For more information, call 717-6381.

James River Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors monthly meeting, 6 p.m., Lane B. Ramsey Administration Building, Mimms Loop, Room 502. For further information, call 957-6148.

Drama Kids, 6:30-7:30 p.m., weekly through May 15, Gordon Elementary School, 11701 Gordon School Rd. This program helps develop speaking skills and confidence in children ages 8-11. The program includes a mid-year Parent Day presentation and end-of-course performance. Fee is \$75. Sponsored by the Chesterfield County Department of Parks and Recreation. For more information, contact Jackie Maclin, 748-1123.

Underage Drinking Town Hall Meeting, 7 p.m. (refreshments and resource tables open at 6:30 p.m.), John Tyler Community College, Chester campus, 13101 Jefferson Davis Hwy. The event will be led by students involved in SAFE activities related to underage drinking and substance abuse prevention. Results of the 2007 survey of county students in grades 8, 10 and 12 will also be released at the event. Free and open to both youths and adults. Sponsored by SAFE (Substance Abuse Free Environment). For more information, call 796-7100 or visit www.chesterfieldsafe.org.

Fri., Apr. 4

Grand opening breakfast, 7:30-9 a.m., Angus Dentistry, 2400 Pagehurst Dr. During this networking event, the Chesterfield Chamber of Commerce's newest members will have one minute to introduce their businesses. Longstanding members get 30 seconds to reintroduce their businesses. Everyone will then participate in a business card exchange. A continental breakfast will be available. A ribbon cutting will follow the breakfast. For more information, call 794-6893 or visit www.angusdentistry.com.

Alcoholics Anonymous weekly meeting, 1 p.m., Atrium Conference room, Johnston Willis campus, CJW Medical Center, 1401 Johnston Willis Dr. A program for people who want to stop drinking or need support on the road to recovery. For information, call 330-2000.

2008 Spring Dance Showcase, 7 p.m., and Apr. 5, same time, Chesterfield Specialty Center for the Arts at Thomas Dale High School, 3626 W. Hundred Rd. Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$4 for students. Senior citizens and children ages 5 and under are free. For more

In The Spotlight

Chesterfield County Democratic Committee monthly meeting, Wed., Apr. 2, 7 p.m., Central Library, 9501 Lori Rd. Guest speaker Don Mark, deputy political director of the Democratic Party of Virginia, will discuss the party's new Neighborhood Leader Program. This meeting is free and open to the public. For more information, call Alexis Crump at 768-4711.

information, contact Pam Barton at 768-6245 ext. 664.

Sat., Apr. 5

April Art Show, during library hours through Apr. 30, Chester Library, 11800 Centre St. "Nature's Journey," a collection of watercolors and mixed media by Nancy Belcher, will be on display. A reception will take place on opening day from 3-4:30 p.m. Hosted by the Chesterfield Center for the Arts at Chester Foundation. For more information, call 748-6314.

WOW! Conference, 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Holiday Inn Select, 1021 Koger Center Blvd. This one-day conference helps professional women to focus on themselves and energize their careers. National speakers will share their expertise on topics including managing money, improving professional image, having more fun in work and life and more. For more information, contact Smokie Sizemore at 359-1139 or visit www.smartwomansclub.com.

Youth Beginner Tennis, 10:15-11:15 a.m., weekly through May 31, L.C. Bird Athletic Complex, 10401 Courthouse Rd. Learn fundamentals including basic strokes, rules, scoring and court etiquette. Bring racket and balls. Course fee is \$40. Sponsored by the Chesterfield County Department of Parks and Recreation. For more information or to register, call Paul Wilmoth at 748-1130.

Italian Festival, 11 a.m.-9 p.m., and Apr. 6, 11 a.m.-6 p.m., St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 828 Buford Rd. Festival features authentic Italian food, entertainment and music by the Luci Edwards Band, the GIGS Brass Ensemble, the Swing Time Big Band and the Chesterfield Community Band. Guests are invited to donate \$2/per person at the entrance. For more information, visit www.sjfestival.com.

Miracle League baseball registration, noon-2 p.m., L.C. Bird High School Sports Complex, 10301 Courthouse Rd. Through the Miracle League, children ages 3-12 with physical and emotional challenges can play baseball on a specially-designed field. Season runs from Apr. 12-July 12. A \$35 donation is requested. For information and registration forms, call 229-4966 or visit www.miracleleagueofrichmond.com.

Confederate History and Heritage Day, noon-3 p.m., Historic 1917 Courthouse, 10011 Iron Bridge Rd. A new, temporary Civil War exhibit will be unveiled at the Chesterfield County Museum. Guest speaker Brian Steele Wills, author of "The War Hits Home," will lead an educational program on Confederate history and heritage. There will also be banjo and fiddle music, living history and artifact

exhibits. Free. For more information, call 777-9663.

Saturday Night Cruise-In, 5-9:30 p.m., weekly through Sept., Hardee's, 1901 W. Hundred Road (Exit 61A off Rt. I-95). These antique and classic car cruise-ins are sponsored by Southern Knights Cruisers. Features DJs playing 1950-70s music and more. For more information, contact Larry Allen at 530-2855, John Newton at 526-4267 or Wayne Balch at 530-2225 or visit www.southernknightscruisers.com.

Mon., Apr. 7

Cardio Step 'n' Style, 5:45-6:45 p.m., weekly through Apr. 28, Mayes-Colbert Ettrick Community Building, 20400 Laurel

Rd. Turn those unwanted pounds into lean muscle and burn calories at the same time. Course fee is \$18. For more information, call Tonya Branch at 526-5596.

Home Buying 101, 7-8 p.m., Bensley Community Building, 2900 Drewry's Bluff Rd. Learn about the home-buying process in this question-and-answer class. Free. For more information, call David Potter at 275-5321.

Have a special event coming up? Please e-mail your calendar items to calendar@chesterfieldobserver.com, mail them to P.O. Box 1616, Midlothian VA 23113, or fax them to 744-3269. Please include a contact name and number with your announcements.



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