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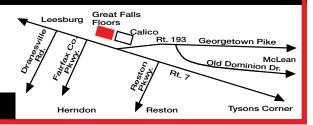
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Hanna Hits Area, Goes Away



Leigh Mill Road at the wooden bridge crossing was closed to traffic following the storm Saturday afternoon.



Great Falls children came out to see the flooded area at the corner of Leigh Mill and Kelso Roads. Leigh Mill Road looked like the river.

ropical storm Hanna hit the area Saturday mid-afternoon, not as hard as feared, but many area roads were flooded and closed to traffic. Difficult Run overflowed during the driving rain that Hanna brought on Saturday. Rt. 7 at Colvin Run Mill was closed for several hours, and asphalt along Brown's Mill and Beulah roads was washed away. By Sunday morning, limbs and driftwood littered roadsides.

10th District Point of View: Energy

Wolf, Feder both promote "comprehensive" strategy for savings, conservation.

> By Julia O'Donoghue THE CONNECTION

*This is the first in a four part series about candidates views and opinions on some of the largest issues facing the Unites States and federal government in the next term.

ANGLEY RESIDENT Charlie Cuevas acknowledges that resolv ing the United States energy issues is not as easy as some people may think.

"They could put up all the windmills they want in the Shenandoah Valley. But how are they going to get the energy here? Is anyone going to want a big power line running through their backyard? I don't think so," said Cuevas, as he pumped gas at the BP on corner of Old Dominion Drive and Old Chain Bridge Road in McLean.

Still, Cuevas would like to see the government promote more fuel efficient vehicles and prohibit the building of "gas guzzlers." He drives a Honda Accord, a sedan which Cuevas said gets excellent gas mile-

He also added: "We have got to get alternative energy sources.

AS GASOLINE and heating prices climb, more residents have formed strong opinions on what should be done to combat the skyrocketing cost of energy. Almost everyone has felt the impact of rising gasoline prices,





Frank Wolf

Judy Feder

which has made everything from purchasing dinner to the daily commute more ex-

Some people are also concerned about the United States dependence on oil - a significant amount of which comes from other countries – and its implications on national security. Others said the United States needs to wean itself off of fossil fuels because of a connection to global warming.

Both Rep. Frank Wolf (R-10) and his Democratic opponent Judy Feder said they have heard about rising energy costs from residents of the 10^{th} congressional district. Wolf and Feder face each other in the general election Nov. 4.

"People are tremendously concerned about the rise in gas prices. The prices of gas and food are rising faster than their incomes," said Feder, the former dean of Georgetown University's Public Policy Institute who also ran against Wolf in 2006.

Both candidates said they support a "comprehensive" approach to energy policy that includes looking at the use of wind, solar, coal and nuclear energy as well as new drilling opportunities for the United States.

"We should no longer send \$700 billion [for oil] outside this country," said Wolf.

IN A RECENT interview, Wolf criticized both President George Bush (R) and the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, Nancy Pelosi (D-Ca.), for not calling Congress back into session to deal with the energy issue.

"Everything should have an up or down vote," said Wolf.

Wolf has been a co-sponsor of the "New Manhattan Project for Energy Independence" legislation. The original Manhattan Project was set up to recruit scientists to produce an atomic bomb during World War II. The "New Manhattan Project" would award competitive prizes to the first individual or group who reach the bill's seven energy goals.

The goals are doubling Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFÉ) standards to 70 miles per gallon while keeping vehicles affordable; cutting home and business energy usage in half; making solar power work at the same cost of coal; making the production of biofuels cost-competitive with gasoline; safely and cheaply storing carbon emissions from coal-powered plants; safely store or neutralize nuclear waste; produce useable electricity from nuclear fusion re

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Honoring Victims at Freedom Memorial

Friends of the Great Falls Freedom Memorial will hold a Sept. 11 Memorial Ceremony on Thursday, Sept. 11 at 7 p.m. at the Great Falls Freedom Memorial to honor the victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attack, including six Great Falls residents killed in the attack on the Pentagon.

Following the welcome address by Bob Pattavina, GFFM president, invocation by the Rev. Paul Liepelt, Pledge of Allegiance led by Glen Sjoblom and "God Bless America" and the National Anthem led by the Rev. Paul Gysan, Wes Callender will introduce Dranesville Supervisor John Foust as a keynote speaker.

The musical program will be provided by the Heights A'Cappella Group of Potomac Maryland, directed by Dr. Kevin Strathmore.

Flowers for the ceremony will be provided by Elaine Faucher of Great Falls Meadows Cut Flower Farm. Beverly Luce will lead the lighting of candles ceremony.

Friends of the Great Falls Freedom Memorial were formed in 2002 to build a memorial site in Great Falls dedicated to those residents who have given their lives for

Share Inc.'s Empty Pantry

With food reserves wiped out and demand for all services at historic high, local charity struggles on.

BY MIKE DICICCO
THE CONNECTION

eople find it an amazing oxy moron — McLean in hunger," said Therese Dyer-Caplan, vice president of Share Inc., the charitable organization that serves the McLean and Great Falls area.

In late April, the Connection ran a story about the difficulties Share was experiencing in meeting unusually high demands. Since then, the organization's pantries have been filled by Boy Scout and Post Office food drives, only to promptly be emptied. Shelves in the reserve pantry are now almost entirely bare.

"There are more than 500 bags of food a month going out of here," past president Victor Kimm said. "That's way up from previous years." Meanwhile, Dyer-Caplan said, the cost of each of those bags has gone up due to rising food prices.

Two years ago, a busy day at Share's food pantry meant serving about seven families, said Dyer-Caplan. Last Wednesday, 21 families showed up. She said users of the pantry have learned they need to get there early if they want hard-to-come-by items like detergent. "Every time I open the door, there's a line," she said.

Kimm said usage of the food pantry is continuing to rise, with a 20 percent increase between July and August of this year.

Meanwhile, funds for Share's family assistance program are going almost entirely toward warding off evictions and utility shut-offs, with some money paying for medications, Kimm said. In the last fiscal year, more than \$102,000 was spent on family assistance, up 50 percent from the previous fiscal year.

$\textbf{FOOD CERTIFICATES} \ for \ Thanksgiv-$

ing, Christmas and Easter dinners were up 10 percent during the most recent holidays, and last December, the holiday gift program served 25 percent more households than previously. Those numbers are expected to rise again this year. In the summer of 2007, Share provided school supplies to 143 students. Last month, 197 students came to the organization for supplies. Kimm said this is also the first time Share has had a waiting list for furniture, and the list is growing.

He said the charity had continued to maintain the same level of service throughout the surge in demand, in part by dipping into reserve funds for the first time. He had projected a \$25,000 shortfall for this



Behind Share Inc. President Randy Glantz, Vice President Therese Dyer-Caplan and past President Victor Kimm, the shelves in the charity's reserve pantry are bare.

-Help Out-

Items most needed by Share Inc. include breakfast cereals, canned fruit, juices, grape or strawberry jelly, rice, sugar, flour, pasta, cooking oil, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, dish detergent, laundry detergent, diapers, paper towels and toilet paper. Money and gift certificates, clean used clothes, and furniture are also needed, as are volunteers.

Food certificates and nonperishable food items can be brought to the Share rooms around the side of McLean Baptist Church, 1367 Chain Bridge Road. During off hours, donations can be left in the box outside the door to the rooms. Checks can be sent to Share Inc., PO Box 210, McLean, Virginia 22101. Call Share at 703-284-2179 or contact Victor Kimm at 703-356-8451, or Robin Chandler at 703-790-5243 or cchandl@aol.com. To learn more about Share Inc., visit www.shareofmclean.org.

fiscal year.

"People used to come here for food. Now they're coming for everything," said Dyer-Caplan, who runs the food pantry, noting that people were asking for gas cards and pharmacy gift cards, which the pantry does not offer. She said she was also watching people make difficult choices, such as the woman who recently talked to her about weighing food against medication.

"From what I've read, it's a similar situation at food banks around the country," Share President Randy Glantz said.

All the while, donations have been up. Dyer-Caplan said the organization has been conducting aggressive outreach campaigns at local schools and churches and recently put together a PowerPoint presentation to explain its needs and services, efforts that were not necessary in years past. "The nice thing about that, though, is that this is such a generous community," she said, adding that the typical response to her appeals for help was: "We just didn't know things were so difficult."

TEMPLE RODEF SHALOM will be making special pleas to its congregants on behalf of Share during the High Holy Days in October, and Lewinsville Presbyterian Church will be helping out, probably soliciting donations at Giant and Safeway, on Sept. 27, Dyer-Caplan said. The Share truck will be parked at Luke's United Methodist Church's Fun

St. Luke's United Methodist Church's Fun Fair on Sept. 20. The Women's Club of McLean collected donations at its recent fashion show, and the Greater McLean Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a half-day program to improve communication between nonprofit organizations and McLean businesses. And Safeway, Marvelous Market and Claude Moore Farm continue to donate food. Dyer-Caplan said neighborhoods, swim teams and Girl Scouts had also been holding food drives.

Also, Glantz said, the organization has more than twice the number of people volunteering that it did a few years ago.

And Kimm said the charity had begun to work with the schools' PTAs and commu-

WEEK IN GREAT FALLS

Sept. 11 Benefit At Tavern

The "Citizens Who Care" 9/11 benefit will be held from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11 at the Tavern at Great Falls, 9835 Georgetown Pike. Donations are appreciated. To make a donation in advance, send a check to 173rd Sky Angels Fund, c/o Terry and Cheryl Blaskowski, P.O. Box 164, Cheboygan, MI 49721 or send a Paypal donation from www .paypal.com to the e-mail address airborne173rdskyangelsfund @yahoo.com. To learn more about the 173rd, 2/503 Infantry Airborne Brigade, visit http://173rdskyangelsfund .euphoricreality.com.

Elite Fitness Concepts 5K Run/ Walk

Elite Fitness Concepts will hold its Second Annual 5K Run/Walk on Saturday, Sept. 20 at 8 a.m. at Great Falls Village Center at Wachovia Bank, 750 Walker Road in memory of the Great Falls resident Peter Choo. The proceeds from the event will be donated to the Make-A-Wish Foundation of the Mid-Atlantic in Choo's memory.

Choo was diagnosed with stage IV Neuroblastoma on July 31, 1997. In 1998, his dream was fulfilled by the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Originally, Peter wished to meet God; however, soon he found out that that wish would be impossible to grant. His mother, however, suggested that he meet the Pope, whom Peter was told was a very good friend of God. This wish was granted and Peter, along with the rest of the family, was blessed by Pope John Paul II in Vatican City. The Pope even blessed a cross that Peter had, which Peter held, even to the grave. Peter died from cancer on Sept. 11, 2007.

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Coffee Cupping With Sherri Johns

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nity service committees.

"We've been talking about trying to institutionalize year-round drives for food," Glantz said, adding that a year-round approach would make sense, since it looks like the need will be year-round.

Race Focuses on Energy Issues

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action.

The bill also sets aside funding for businesses, researchers and groups that want to work toward achieving the goals. In an interview, Wolf said he thought the bill would probably result in "job creation" for a region like Northern Virginia, which is a leader in innovative technology.

WOLF has supported the "Virginia Outer Continental Shelf Act," which would allow Virginia's Governor to ask for waiver to drill to explore for natural gas and crude oil off the cost of the commonwealth. If successful, Wolf supports using money gained from drilling off the Virginia shore to help cover commonwealth's transportation costs.

The congressman has also supported drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in Alaska. On a personal level, the congressman owns and drives a Ford Escape, a hybrid sports utility vehicle.

IF ELECTED, Feder said she would "put everything on the Route 28 corridor has attracted

development of "cleaner coal" and safer nuclear options. Like Wolf, the McLean resident would also consider drilling off the shore of the United States.

The challenger disagrees with Wolf and opposes drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR.)

Feder is in favor of ending what she calls "tax breaks" for oil companies and having the government reinvest that revenue in renewable energy sources, like wind and solar, and in tax credits for consumers choosing greener energy

She said the government also has to provide oversight to make driving up the cost of gasoline for Americans.

FEDER, like Wolf, said a federal investment in renewable energy is likely to bring jobs and investment to the 10th congressional district, given the large number of high tech businesses in the area.

"What grows in Loudoun are businesses that are developing 21st century technologies. ... The

table," including investigating the that kind of industry. We should play a leadership role [in developing renewable energy resources] right here in the 10th district," said Feder.

> As member of congress, Feder said she would make sure the 10th congressional district got a fair share of the federal government's investment in renewable energy.

"That would create jobs and promote our tech industry. It has not been adequately pursued," she

As the 10th District representative, Feder would also pursue mass transit funding, which is an important part of a sustainable development strategy.

"That there is no mass transit in sure market speculation is not the 10th district is really pretty astounding. It is the job of a member of congress to make it clear that the 10th district needs a good part of [the transit funding]," said Feder.

> Wolf, who has been in Congress since the early 1980s, has been the major congressional backer of the extension of Metro rail to Dulles Airport and beyond. But Feder frequently criticizes the congressman for not being able to get the project



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Preparing for the Worst

Northern Virginia hospitals upgrade their disaster response systems.

> BY DAVID SCHULTZ The Connection

lanning for a disaster in Washington D.C. became a top priority after the Sept. 11 attacks. But those who focus only on the federal city when planning for a disaster are missing the point, Dr. Dan Hanfling said.

"The attack on the Pentagon was in Northern Virginia," Hanfling said. "Of the five anthrax cases, three were diagnosed in Northern Virginia. If you tease out the details of what happened, it wasn't Washington D.C. that was attacked. It was Northern Virginia."

Hanfling is director of emergency management and disaster medicine for Northern Virginia's Inova Hospitals. He is also involved with the Northern Virginia Hospital Alliance, a group that advocates for emergency preparedness in local hospitals.

The group was created by a coalition of 12 Northern Virginia hospitals shortly after the Sept. 11 attacks. The hospitals pool their resources to plan for a major disaster, natural or non-natural, in the region.

"Northern Virginia has the Pentagon and a number of CIA facilities. ... We see ourselves as a target in and of itself," said

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D.C. that was attacked. It

emergency management and disaster

— Dr. Dan Hanfling, director of

medicine, Inova Hospitals

was Northern Virginia."

Zachary Corrigan, executive director of the alliance.

It's this kind of coordinated effort, not just among hospitals but among cities, counties and states, that is crucial to preparing for a major catastrophic event, local emergency

management officials said. "If there's another major emergency like 9/11, it doesn't impact just one jurisdiction," Fairfax County spokesperson Brian Worthy said. "It had an impact on all the jurisdictions regionally. That's why the region is taking a very coordinated response."

EARLIER THIS MONTH, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security gave \$60 million to Washington-area jurisdictions for medical and law enforcement projects to detect and respond to terrorist attacks.

Almost \$4 million of that grant will go to area hospitals to increase their ability to handle large surges of patients. With this grant, local hospitals will be able to treat 300 critically injured patients with no external help for three days after a disaster. The grant will go towards purchasing surplus medical supplies and towards devis-



ing a staffing plan in the event of a disaster. Corrigan said that making a plan to have enough doctors and nurses on call for a potential disaster is the most difficult part of disaster planning for hospitals.

Inova Fairfax Hospital has the biggest ER in Northern Virginia, said James Sides, disaster preparedness coordinator there. "We're using those funds regionally to fund burn and trauma training. One of our ongoing projects is to really create a capacity to deal with large-scale burn and trauma across the region. We all work together to really figure out what our needs are at each facility and then across the region.'

"Being such a large hospital makes it easier [to plan for disasters]," Sides said. "We play a key role in the region. We would be one of the main facilities to receive patients especially since we're the only Level 1 Trauma center in Northern Virginia," meaning Fairfax Inova would receive the most serious trauma patients.

> The grant will also go towards upgrading the region's ability to handle large numbers of burn victims, Corrigan said. Washington Hospital Center in the District has the only dedicated burn unit in the region.

"If we had hundreds of burn patients," he said, "non-burn centers will have to provide burn care for an extended time. We're going to be training clinicians who don't do burn care to do a level of burn care for three days.

"When it comes to burn and trauma, the first three days of care will really define what the patient's life looks like," he said. "Not only for the next week but for years."

THE HOMELAND Security money will also provide new software to allow emergency rooms to track the real-time location of ambulances from every hospital in the region. According to a DHS statement, ERs will be able to monitor the treatment capacities at every local hospital.

"If you have a major incident," Worthy said, "You'd probably need more than one hospital to respond so that would require coordination."

stuff goes north and

east," Hanfling said. "The citizens of D.C. will be fleeing to Northern Virginia." This means that Northern Virginia Hos-

pitals, especially the Virginia Hospital Center in Arlington and Inova Alexandria Hospital, will be the first responders to a major disaster in the area.

the ability to handle a surge of up to 127 patients over its normal capacity, according to Greg Brison, the director of emergency management at Inova Alexandria. "That's a third more than when we have a full house," Brison said. "We can do that in 30 minutes."

ter supply is cut off, which happened during Hurricane Isabel in 2003, the hospital has fresh drinking water on site that will last for 24 hours. "We try to be self-sufficient so we don't have to contact FEMA," Brison said.

BRISON was at Inova Alexandria during the Sept. 11 attacks. After the Virginia Hospital Center, formerly known as Arlington Hospital, quickly filled up with victims, Inova Alexandria began to see a surge of

any panic. ... When the real thing happens and you've got professional people who are well-educated, it all just kicks into gear."

health officials in this area and throughout the country think about planning for emergencies. But Hanfling said that emergency planners are also learning from more re-

"Think about the Astrodome after Katrina or the Superdome during Katrina," he said said. "There was no formal way of taking care of people there." As a result of Hurricane Katrina and its ensuing public health crisis, the Northern Virginia Hospital Alliance is working with government officials to secure public space for medical care in the event of a large-scale disaster, Hanfling



Dr. John Sverha was at Virginia Hospital Center, then known as Arlington Hospital, when the Sept. 11 attacks occurred at the Pentagon. He said that he and his colleagues were able to handle the surge of victims effectively thanks to a well-rehearsed disaster plan and extra staff who came in that day to lend a hand.

But the situations that really challenge his ER are days with severe weather, Sverha, the head of the hospital's emergency medicine department, said. Earlier this year, an ice storm brought 90 patients into his ER within three to four hours.

"We were very busy, there were a lot of people scurrying around," he said. "An ice storm is something that is known to create an extremely busy emergency department, almost exponentially more than a snow storm. We always get on edge when we hear that there might be freezing rain. We really go into a different mode.

Disaster planning is important for any hospital. But the issues that most ERs deal with on a day-to-day basis don't involve catastrophic

Virginia Hospital Center's emergency room is often at capacity with patients spilling over into the waiting room, Sverha said. "Our goal is to have our waiting room empty as much as possible," he said.

Inova Fair Oaks Hospital's Dr. Douglas Smith said that the biggest challenge for his ER is the changing nature of the medical business.

Because many patients who need emergency psychiatric care don't have insurance and can't pay their medical bills, ERs across the country have eliminated many of their beds for psychiatric patients, Smith, Inova Fair Oaks' chief of the emergency department, said.

"Psychiatric hospitals are closed because they don't pay," he said. "There just aren't enough psych beds so getting [patients] somewhere is

He also said that getting specialists to treat patients in an ER is difficult because many specialist doctors are in private practice. "Every time you see a laser center, that's an ophthalmologist that's not working in a hospital," Smith said. "That's the business of outpatient surgery."

The issues that Inova Fair Oaks faces are unique because of its suburban location, Smith said. "This is a higher-end hospital because of the community we're in," he said. "We don't have a lot of homeless or IV drug users."

Inova Alexandria Hospital faces these issues differently than its Fair Oaks counterpart, said Dr. Martin Brown, the chief of emergency medicine at the Alexandria hospital.

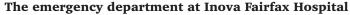
Brown said that getting a specialist to his ER is fairly easy because Inova Alexandria is such a large hospital. While it doesn't have its own psychiatric ward, Brown said that treating psychiatric patients is not too difficult because they can be easily transferred to a new psychiatric facility at Inova Mount Vernon Hospital.

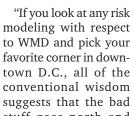
According to Brown, the biggest challenge facing the Inova Alexandria ER is a lack of beds. "There are times when the hospital is crowded and patients who need to be upstairs are still waiting for a bed," he said. "We have a task force looking at that.'

Brown also said that a new wing that is currently under construction will add more space to his ER, which currently treats 150 patients a day. This new part of the building is badly needed, Brown said, because "The demand for emergency services continues to increase."

said. Doctors and policy makers are beginning to have conversations about what level of care should be expected in these types of situations after several medical ethics scandals that emerged from Katrina.

"As doctors, we're on the front lines, Hanfling said. "We're put in the untenable situation of having to make real time decisions of life or death ... The medical community writ large needs to be on the same page with regards as to how we're making those decisions."





Corrigan

Currently, Inova Alexandria hospital has

He also said that if Inova Alexandria's wa-

"It was quiet here," he said. "There wasn't

The attacks of Sept. 11 changed the way

VIEWPOINTS

What did you like most about two parties' conventions?

— Andrew Johnson



Paula Donovan, Great Falls, **Therapist**

First off, seeing Ted Kennedy come out was truly inspirational. It was a reminder of everything he has done for the country, and I'm glad to see that he is well. I was also very impressed with Mark Warner's speech. Obama's speech was definitely the biggest highlight for me though. It was amazing, and I was in awe with his ability to handle it with so many different agendas. He was able to

connect with so many people.

A lowlight for me would have to be Palin's speech. As a woman, I was embarrassed by her nasty and mean comments about Obama.

Amy Pullman, McLean, **Pediatrician**

I watched some of both conventions. I thought the best comment was Al Gore saying that although he believed in recycling, he didn't believe in it that much — a joke at how he didn't want another four years of an Republican administration. I found it to be very funny.



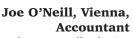
As for the Republican Convention, I think that McCain's selection of Palin was genius

and it showed in her speech. He was able to salvage the evangelical vote and reenergize their party.



Audrey O'Neill, Vienna, Homemaker

The real highlight for me was the introduction of Sarah Palin. She was outstanding and everyone really got to know her after days of wondering who she was. I liked Hilary, but Palin showed herself to be feminine, have a great sense of humor, and not take herself too seriously; Hilary didn't appeal in that way. Giuliani's and Romney's speeches were impressive as well.



Palin really impressed me as well. She introduced herself to people in a powerful way, and it was under a lot of pressure too. She handled herself very well. I also really enjoyed Romney's speech.





Kareem Farah, McLean, Student

I really liked Barack Obama's speech.

Heather Perry, McLean, Homemaker

We watched both conventions and I was most impressed, by far, by Sarah Palin's speech. I was literally in tears. It's great to have a woman who represents so much about what being a mother is in the mix. She brings a whole new light to the whole process, one that not a lot of people were expecting.



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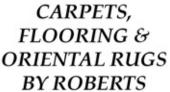
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OPINION

Our Neighbors Are Struggling

Whether or not you call it a recession, more families in Northern Virginia are seeking help with food, medicine, housing and more.

wo years ago, a busy day at Share's food pantry in McLean meant serv they' ing about seven families. Last Dyer Wednesday, 21 families showed up No for food, writes Connection reporter

Mike DiCicco.

EDITORIAL

In fact, demand for food from Share continues to rise, with a 20 percent increase between July and August of this year.

Meanwhile, funds for Share's family assistance program are going almost entirely toward warding off evictions and utility shut-offs, with some money paying for medications. In the last fiscal year, Share spent more than \$102,000 on family assistance, up 50 percent from the previous fiscal year.

Non-profits that help the needy in Northern Virginia are seeing a dramatic increase in demand, needy families and individual finding their way to food pantries to stave off hunger, seeking help to acquire school supplies for their children, needing money to forestall an eviction or having the phone or electricity in their home turned off.

"People used to come here for food. Now they're coming for everything," said Therese Dyer-Caplan of Share.

Northern Virginia's economy is buffered by the presence of the federal government

and the many private contractors that earn billions of dollars a year in government business. But the downturn

has arrived, as local governments well know, with the drop in home values squeezing local budgets.

But housing costs, rising food costs and soaring gas prices are pushing many families in Northern Virginia to the brink of homelessness. Some families are forced to choose between enough food, gas in the car to get to work and medication. These are the working poor families of our region, who turn to charities, hoping that with a little bit of help they can make it through to the next paycheck.

The rising costs of food and gas are also hampering efforts of local non-profits to provide services. Organizations are facing significant increases in demand, while their money and supplies buy less than they did last year.

Pick an organization near you, and send them money, call and offer to volunteer, donate food, or contribute in any other way.

-Help

Here is a partial listing of local organizations that help the needy, every one is facing intense and increasing demand for services.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

In Search of Fair Grades

To the Editor:

Thank you for the excellent article, "Does Fairfax Give Fair Grades?" [Connection, Sept. 3-9, 2008]. It raises very important

I can not understand the school system's hesitancy to appropriately add value to advanced classes. How can a B in regular Algebra possibly be equal to a B in Honors Algebra? Likewise, how can a college level course like an A.P. only be given .5 extra value? Students at McLean High are scoring 5s on their A.P. exams and not receiving As in their classes. That is ludicrous. To be fair, an A.P class should be weighted with an extra full point. Moreover, there is only benefit to giving more value to advanced classes. Wouldn't more students be encouraged to try an advanced class, if they knew it would not be likely to bring down their G.P.A.? Don't we want more students taking challenging classes? There is no downside to this. Why are we waiting?

> MaryAnn Lastova McLean

Hazardous Driving On Georgetown Pike

To the Editor:

I am writing to request your support in correcting a dangerous traffic situation in Great Falls. My understanding of the issue is that legislative action is required to implement a change in traffic restrictions on Georgetown Pike (highway 193)

Last week, on Aug. 29, I was driving to work at 6:25 a.m. on Georgetown Pike, heading southeast toward the beltway. It was still dark and there was a light rain that morning. As I approached the curves near the Difficult Run parking area, an 18-wheeler truck coming from the opposite direction crossed the double vellow line into my lane. I was driving a small sports car (with my headlights on) and immediately moved to the far right and stopped my car. I felt my right wheels leave the pavement onto the very short shoulder and the right side of my car was almost touching the guard rail that separates the roadway from the steep bank to the creek. I held my hand on the car horn while I watched the large truck tires come within inches of my driver's side window.

The truck driver locked his brakes and then moved a few inches back toward his lane and passed down the side of my car. While my car was not hit, I drove further down the road and pulled over to shake off the feeling of almost being crushed by a tractor trailer and to also confirm if there was any damage to either side of my car.

Had I not stopped my car or had I been in a larger car, I would certainly have been hit by the truck. The truck was more than half way into my lane. There is no physical way for an 18-wheeler truck to safely negotiate the s-turn in that portion of Georgetown Pike. A truck that long is forced to cross the double yellow lines and move significantly into the oncoming traffic lane in order to maneuver through the back-to-back 90 degree turns that occur in a very short distance of that section of Georgetown Pike.

If crossing a double yellow line in Virginia is considered to be "reckless driving" then the current situation of allowing large 18-wheeler trucks to use Georgetown Pike is knowingly allowing reckless driving conditions to occur every day.

This isn't the first time that such an incident occurred. Almost four years ago, in September 2004, my Great Falls neighbor was almost killed when the exact same scenario occurred. He was also driving to work one morning and, as he approached the same s-curves at Difficult Run on Georgetown Pike, an 18-wheeler truck crossed into his lane. Unfortunately, he was not able to stop his car before it went under the 18-wheeler truck. The crash tore off the roof of his car and he was hospitalized with injuries. Had he not laid over on his car seats before impact, he likely would have been killed.

As a result of my neighbor's accident, Fairfax County installed warning signs on Georgetown Pike, telling trucks that travel along Georgetown Pike is "not recommended."

After my near accident last week, I called Fairfax County Police and was told that the police could not do anything about the situation, but recommend that I contact VDOT. I called VDOT and the representative took my name and number and explained that the community has recognized this as a safety issue for some time, but promised no action. I have sent a similar letter to Supervisor John Foust asking for his assistance.

I ask your support to make our community aware of this dangerous situation and to help imple

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Accident Waiting to Happen

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ment legislative change to not allow 18-wheeler tractor trailers and other large trucks from using that section of Georgetown Pike. This is clearly a case of another "accident waiting to happen" ... there is significant commuter traffic and now young drivers heading to Langley High School on that road every day. Please help protect our community before someone else gets hurt, or killed.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

> **John Turonis** Great Falls

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Lake Reaches 'Tipping Point'

Neighborhood children want to help Lake Marmota, threatened by fertilizer, algae and silt.

BY MIKE DICICCO
THE CONNECTION

ince his family moved into a house that backs up to Lake Marmota in December, Gabe Rodriguez, his brother Danny and his friends have made the most of living on the waterfront. The eighth-grader at the Langley School, commonly known as "Little Langley," said he spends about three hours a day on the water, whether in a canoe, on a raft or sitting with his friends on an inflatable sofa. "Even in the winter, when it's covered in ice, I still try to paddle around or wade in waders," he said.

However, he is not sure how much fun the little lake in the Marmota Farm neighborhood will be in the near future. Blankets of algae repeatedly cover the entire lake during the summer months, and the lake bed is filling with silt. Gabe and his friends hope to do what they can to help preserve the lake where they play.

GABE'S MOTHER, Amy Stephan, said she could tell a number of neighbors and upstream homeowners had taken advantage of beautiful

weather one weekend earlier in the season and had fertilized their lawns, because by Thursday, there were four inches of algae on the pond. When it dies, she said, the algae can create dead zones lacking oxygen and also smother life on the floor of the lake.

The bacteria that feed on dead algae can use up all the oxygen in the water where they are present.

"You can tell when they lay their fertilizer because a week later, you get this, but all over," he said, indicating a broad swath of algae along the shore last Friday afternoon.

Stephan said the lake had recently been covered again, not long after water from the first rain-



Starting Points

A couple of Web sites where users can learn about rain garden construction are Rain Garden Network at www.raingardennetwork.com and the Virginia Department of Forestry at www.dof.virginia.gov/rfb/raingardens.shtml. One resource for information on environmentally friendly fertilizers is "Grow Smart, Grow Safe: A Consumer Guide to Lawn and Garden Products," produced shington Toxics King County, Wash. A PDF version can be found at www.govlink.org/ hazwaste/publications/ growSmart2006web.pdf. Also, American Plant Company, which has an outlet on Georgetown Pike in central Great Falls, offers environmentally friendly products.

Gabe Rodriguez makes the most of his family's lakefront property.

fall in weeks had rinsed lawns on its way into the local watershed.

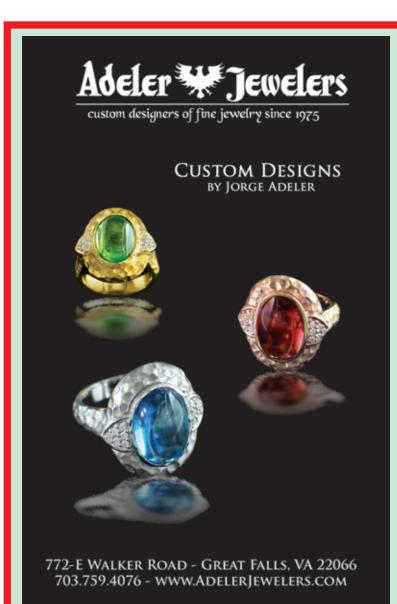
Also, Stephan said, the lake is full of construction silt. "There's said to be six to 10 feet of it in the lake," she said. She was told about the silt by contractors who came by to study the lake for Fairfax County Public Schools and told her much of it appeared to be sawdust from treated wood, which biode

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In addition to her life long experience, Kathy completed her undergraduate work at the East Carolina University in Child Psychology, and has a Masters Degree from George Washington University in Organizational Development.

Anyone who has met Kathy is immediately overwhelmed by her smile and warmth. She speaks passionately and has a genuine concern for your wellbeing. Kathy will often have guest speakers at the Conscious Bean that focus on health and environmental issues.

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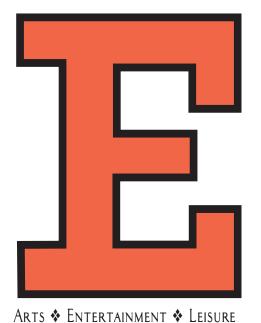




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A member of Conservatorio Professional de Danza "Fortea" of Madrid, Spain helps a young Festival attendee try using castanets at the 2007 International Children's Festival.

Welcoming Special Guests

Children from Shelter House attend the International Children's Festival.

By Susanna Rosenbaum
Arts Council of Fairfax County

or Sarah Schultz, one of the most enjoyable aspects of her job as de velopment coordinator for Shelter House, a non-profit organization providing emergency housing and supportive services in Fairfax County, is finding inkind donations for the children and families she serves.

"Financial donations make the work of Shelter House possible, but nothing puts a bright smile on the face of a 10-year-old like a surprise trip to the theater," she said. Theater and the arts were formative elements in Schultz's own childhood, and she has fond memories of attending the International Children's Festival at Wolf Trap with her mother and sisters year after year.

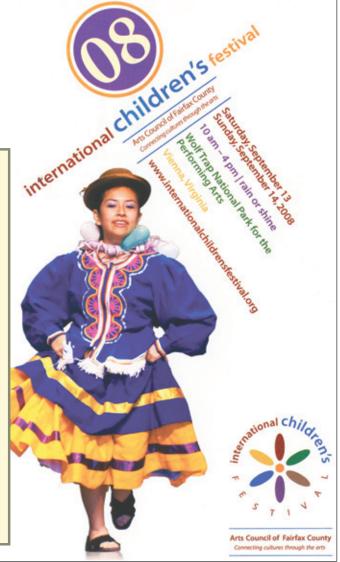
When she contacted the Arts Council of Fairfax County, which has been producing this Festival for 38 years, to request a donation of tickets, Schultz was thrilled to learn that complimentary tickets, as well as gift bags and snacks, were available through the Arts Council's Special Guests Program. Each year, the Arts Council reaches out to over 60 service organizations reaching under-served or at-risk communities to invite over 3,000 children and families to attend the Festival as their special guests. Among those attending the International Children's Festival for the first time this weekend will be some of the smiling Shelter House faces that Schultz loves.

For Schultz, the Festival affords children something beyond the fun of hands-on arts activities, roving entertainers, an Arts & Technology pavilion, and continuous performances on four stages throughout the park — it offers a wider view of the world.

2008 International Children's Festival

The International Children's Festival is a youth-oriented festival dedicated to performing, visual, and interactive arts, held each September at Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts in Vienna. The 2008 International Children's Festival will take place during the week of September 8th with the public Festival on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 13 - 14 at Wolf Trap.

To learn more: about Shelter House, visit www.ShelterHouse.org; about the International Children's Festival, visit www.InternationalChildrensFestival.org.



The diversity of Fairfax County and even of the children currently staying with Shelter House, some of whom come from Africa and Europe, is mirrored on the Festival stages.

As a child, Schultz was extremely shy and she credits the arts with helping her to become more out-going.

"Normally, I would hide behind my mother's skirt," she said. But at the International Children's Festival, she saw dynamic young performers — including chil-

dren her own age — and their enthusiasm touched her. "I remember the dancers coming out into the meadow and dancing with crowd. And all of a sudden I was dancing with them."

Schultz is excited to return to the International Children's Festival this weekend, once again with her mother, who brought her there for the first time many years ago, and also with her own seven-year old daughter and the children of Shelter House.

CALENDAR

Send announcements to vienna@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Thursday for the following week's paper. Photos/artwork encouraged. For additional listings, visit www.connectionnewspapers.com.

THURSDAY/SEPT. 11

My Favorite Highway, We Shot the Moon and Mercy Mercedes. Rock. 7 p.m. \$15. Jammin Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. Call 703-255-1566 or visit www.jamminjava.com.

Fall FusionFest. 5:30-8 p.m. Meet tech executives, leaders and newsmakers. Beverages, snacks and prizes. Registration, Reston Town Center Pavilion, 11900 Market St., Reston. NVTC members \$55, non-members \$80. http://www.nvtc.org/events/geteventinfo.

Bat Basics. 7-8:30 p.m. Learn about the importance of bats. \$5 per child; children 12 and up Reservations required. Cub Run Rec Center, 4630 Stonecroft Blvd., Chantilly. 703-8127-9407.

Astronaut Tom Jones and Military
Historian Bob Dorr, authors of "Hellhawks!
The Untold Story of the American Fliers Who
Savaged Hitler's Wehrmacht." 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
at the 2941Restaurant, 2941 Fairview Park, Falls
Church. Sponsored by the Vienna-Tysons
Regional Chamber of Commerce, 513 Maple
Ave. West, Vienna. Register rs6.net/tn.jsp.

FRIDAY/SEPT. 12

John Eddie. Rock. 9:30 p.m. \$15. Jammin Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. Call 703-255-1566 or visit www.jamminjava.com.

Bluegrass music by Jimmy and Moondi. 6:30 p.m. Free; bring a lawn chair or blanket for seating. the Vienna Town Green, 144 Maple Ave., E., Vienna. Call 703-255-6360 or visit www.viennava.gov.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 13

The 38th annual International Children's

Festival. Sept. 13 and Sept. 14, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. The 2008 Festival will showcase musicians, dancers, and martial artists from China, Finland, Ghana and Jordan and will feature the Canadian percussionists ScrapArtsMusic. Four stages around the park offer entertainment by more than 20 groups from this region. Tickets available online or at the gate; \$12 for adults, \$10 for children and seniors. Weekend passes are \$18 for adults, \$15 for children and seniors. Admission is free for children 2 years and under. Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts. Visit www.internationalchildrensfestival.org.

ZNA Koi Show. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. See some of the most beautiful fish in the world along with a special Bonsai display and demonstration. Vendors for koi ponds, fish and plants will be present. Free. Meadowlark Botanical Gardens, 9750 Meadowlark Gardens Court, Vienna. Call 703-255-3631

Secret Agent 23 Skidoo. Children's rock and 'kid-hop'; 10:30 a.m. Tickets \$8. Steve Forbert. Acoustic/roots, 7 p.m. Tickets \$20. Future and Can't Hang. Rock, 10 p.m. Tickets \$10. All at Jammin Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or visit www.jamminjava.com.

The American Association of University
Women will hold an open house from 10:30
a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Patrick Henry Library, 101
Maple Ave. E., Vienna. Drop by for coffee,
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Ice Cream Making. 4 p.m. Help hand-crank, and sample the results for \$1 per cup. Colvin Run Mill. 10017 Colvin Run Road. Great Falls. 703-

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Sept. 11 Benefit at Tavern

The "Citizens Who Care" 9/11 benefit will be held from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11 at the Tavern at Great Falls, 9835 Georgetown Pike. Donations are appreciated. To make a donation in advance, send a check to 173rd Sky Angels Fund, c/o Terry and Cheryl Blaskowski, P.O. Box 164, Cheboygan, MI 49721 or send a Paypal donation from www.paypal.com to the e-mail address airborne173rdskyangelsfund@yahoo.com. To learn more about the 173rd, 2/503 Infantry Airborne Brigade, visit http://173rdskyangelsfund.euphoricreality.com.

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759-2771.

Warren Brown, author of

CakeLove. Discussion and book signing by local celebrity baker. 5 p.m. Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 7851 Tysons Corner Center, McLean. 703-506.2937 or www.bn.com.

Matthias Goetz paintings on canvas and acrylic glass, 12-6 p.m. Historic Pleasant Grove, at 8641 Lewinsville Road, McLean. 703-992

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Amadeus Concerts, under the direction of A. Scott Wood, opens its 28th season with "Viva La Voce," an afternoon of songs and arias from well-loved operas. Four awardwinning soloists, hosted by Frank Conlon, Amadeus pianist-inresidence. Sungji Kim, Soprano; Lena Seikaly, Mezzo-Soprano; Richard Novak, Tenor; and Jay Jung, Baritone. 4 p.m. at St. Francis Episcopal Church, 9220 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls, VA 22066. Admission: \$25, including postconcert refreshments and a chance to meet the performers. Students 17 and under free. Call 703-759-5334 or visit www.amadeusconcerts.com.

ZNA Koi Show. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. See some of the most beautiful fish in the world along with a special Bonsai display and demonstration. Last year's senior koi judge came from Japan, and the fish on display came from throughout the east coast. Vendors for koi ponds, fish and plants will be present. Free. Meadowlark Botanical Gardens, 9750 Meadowlark Gardens Court, Vienna. Call 703-255-3631.

Natural History of Tropical Plants. 2 p.m. Learn about the geographic

origins of these notable plants and their evolutionary adaptations. This is a follow-up to a previous Tropical Plants program. Reservations recommended; free. Meadowlark Botanical Gardens, 9750 Meadowlark Gardens Court, Vienna. Call 703-255-3631.

Songwriters Circle, featuring Luke Brindley, Anthony Fiacco, Shane Hines and Todd Wright. Acoustic. 7 p.m. \$10. Jammin Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. Call 703-255-1566 or visit

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The Old Dominion
Chrysanthemum Society will
present a one-hour descriptive
program by Past President of the
Potomac Lily Society, Jack Roe,
discussing selection, growing, and
exhibiting the true Lilies. Also, there
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bulbs available for the next growing
season. At the Falls Church
Community Center, 223 Little Falls
Street, Falls Church, at 2:30 PM. Free
Admission and Refreshments. Call
Jim Dunne 703-560-8776.

MONDAY/SEPT. 15

Potomac Valley Shetland Sheepdog Club. 7:30 p.m. Free, open to the public.

Following a short business meeting, Virginia Torsch Blose will give a presentation on Disaster Planning for Pets, including planning for hurricanes and other types of disasters such as what to do in case of a fire. Refreshments. Bring your dog and meet other Sheltie owners and breeders. Prospective Shetland Sheepdog owners are also welcome. In the meeting room of the Dunn Loring Firehouse, 2148 Gallows Road, Dunn Loring. www.PotomacValleySSC.com.

Nature Snoopers: Monarchs in the Meadow. 2:30-3:30 p.m. Tag Monarchs and track their flight. \$4 per child. Suitable for age 5-6. Ellanor C. Lawrence Park, 5040 Walney Road, Chantilly. 703-631-0013.

TUESDAY/SEPT. 16

Kyle Patrick and Jess Ruben, with Chelsea Lee. Pop/acoustic. 7:30 p.m. \$10. Jammin Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. Call 703-255-1566 or visit www.jamminjava.com.

Michael Scott will read and sign "The Magician" at 7 p.m. at Borders Fairfax. Call 703-359-8420. After fleeing Ojai, Nicholas, Sophie, Josh, and Scatty emerge in Paris, home for Nicholas Flamel. For Flamel, the Prophesy is becoming more

Bob Schieffer will discuss and sign "Bob Schieffer's America" at 7:30 p.m. at Borders Bailey's Crossroads. Call 703-998-0404. Wise, rueful, candid, graceful commentaries from one of journalism's most stylish and respected writers. Smart, humorous, commonsensical, pitch-perfect-sometimes bitingly critical and plainspoken, other times suffused with wonder or delight-these essays speak to us all.

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Election. Registration 7:30 a.m.,
Program 8-9:30 a.m. Learn about the
latest trends in social networking
technology and their impact on the
2008 elections. Patton Boggs, 8484
Westpark Drive, Ninth Floor,
McLean. NVTC members \$45, non-

members \$75. http://www.nvtc.org/

WEDNESDAY/SEPT. 17

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Killola and The Action Design with Ringleader. Pop/rock. 7 p.m. \$10. Jammin Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. Call 703-255-1566 or visit www.jamminjava.com.

Bus tour of historic Richmond. A charter bus will leave at 8 a.m. from the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St. S.E., and return at 6 p.m. The cost of \$60 for Town of Vienna residents and \$75 for out-of-town participants includes transportation, guided tour of the newly renovated capitol building and the John Marshall house, self-guided tour of the Virginia Historical Society, and lunch at the Can Can Brasserie in the Carytown neighborhood. Call Vienna Parks and Recreation at 703-255-6360 or visit www.viennava.gov.

Rocknoceros. 12:30 p.m. Free Jammin' Juniors Fall Concert Series. Alden Theatre at the McLean Central Park, 1468 Dolley Madison Blvd., at the intersection of Route 123 and Old Dominion Drive. 703-790-0123 or www.mcleancenter.org.

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Stephan said fixing the silt problem would require enforcement of regulations on construction projects.

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things you can do to stop this," she said, noting that a rain garden is an effective way to purify lawn runoff. Rain gardens are low-lying, vegetated areas designed to trap at least the initial flush of runoff, which carries the most material, and allow it to filter through the soil while plantings remove nutrients such as fertilizer. Also, she said, there are ecologically friendly fertilizers that minimize their impact on waterways.

Stephan, her sons and their friends plan to make a stream that runs through their property into a natural filter for rainwater, although Stephan is still in the process of learning how this is done. As she learns, she will post tips online. Gabe and his friends hope to arouse some local interest in the lake's health and are willing to monitor the progress of any efforts that are made.

"And I believe they'll work for free," said Stephan.

Danny Rodriguez, a seventhgrader at the Langley School, measured chemical levels in the lake for a science fair project and found about twice the healthy level of nitrates in the water. Nitrates are nutrients present in fertilizer and animal waste. Danny said he also detected coliform bacteria, indicating the presence of feces. He pointed out that both geese and horses are common in the area.

"We've gotten to sort of a tipping point, where we've got to be more sensitive," said Kelly Baxter, who lives nearby. She said she no longer sees fish in the pond by her house, and the fertilizer in the water has started giving her family's dog a bad rash after he swims in it.

"Maybe in a year or two, if we don't do anything, this lake's going to be a dead zone," said Gabe. "It makes me pretty sad because I've seen what's happened to it, with all this silt and junk going in." He said he didn't think most of the homeowners upstream realized that their fertilizer was washing into the lakes and creeks.

"These ponds serve a really important function," Stephan said, explaining that local waterways serve as sort of large-scale rain gardens that filter water on its way to the Chesapeake Bay. "Have nature do our work for us," she said.

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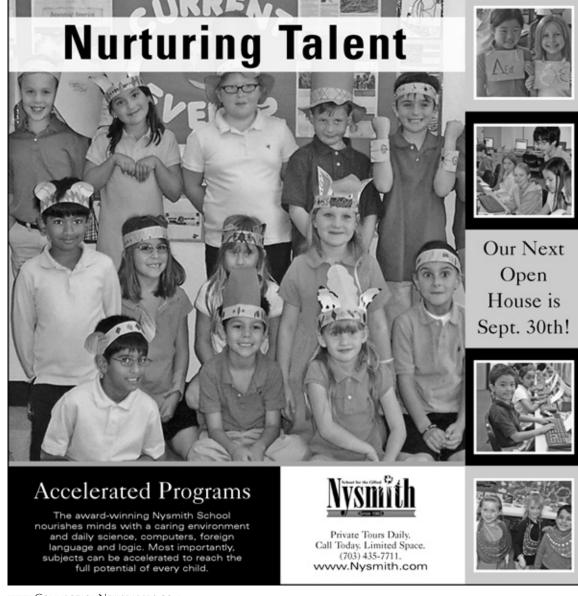
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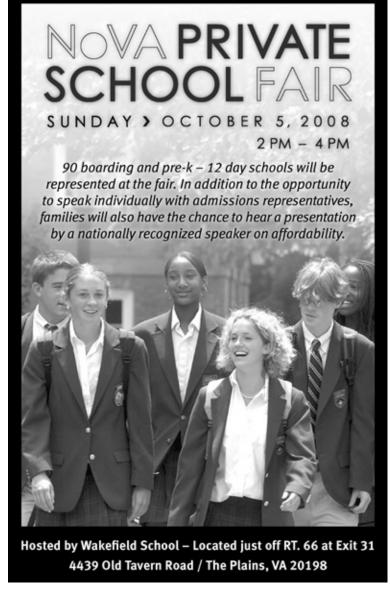
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FAITH

The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington is partnering with the Jewish Outreach Institute (JOI) to launch the Mothers/Parents Circle, an umbrella of free educational events and resources for parents raising Jewish children within the context of intermarriage or a committed relationship.

The program focuses on Jewish rituals, ethics and the creation of a Jewish home, and includes regular meetings and group Shabbats and holidays. Participants include Sha'are Shalom in Leesburg, Congregation Beth Emeth in Herndon, Temple Rodef Shalom in Falls Church and the Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia in Fairfax. The Jewish Federation of Greater Washing-(ShalomDC.org) community-building organization that cares for those in need, deepens engagement in Jewish life, and connects Jews to each other.

St. Thomas Episcopal Church offers a lector series, ^aIs Russia Reverting to Imperialism and Authoritarianism?" Peter Reddaway, emeritus professor of political science and international affairs at George Washington University and a former director of the Kennan Institute for Advanced Russian Studies, will discuss Russia's complex relationship with the West and how this helps to explain its current conflict with Georgia.

Sept. 16, 7:30 p.m.: Russia's Evolution under Putin and its Current Conflict with Georgia. Pot-luck supper at 6:45. St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 8991 Brook Road, McLean. Reserve by email stthom1@cox.net. or 703-442-0330.

Adult Disciple Study Group forming at The Church of the Good Shepherd. An information meeting will be on Tuesday, Sept. 16 at 7 p.m. in Adult Room #1. Free. Church of the Good Shepherd, 2351 Hunter Mill Road, Vienna. 703-281-3987 or email Penny

prasnake@goodshepherdva.com.

Homecoming & Anniversary Celebration. Shiloh Baptist Church celebrates 135 years of ministry. Sunday, Sept. 14: 11 a.m. - Homecoming Worship Service; 3:30 p.m. - Anniversary Worship Service, Guest Preacher Rev. Todd A. Brown, Pastor, First Baptist Church of Chesterbrook. Dr. Robert F. Cheeks, Jr., Pastor, Shiloh Baptist Church, 8310 Turning Leaf Lane, 703-893-8982. McLean. www.sbcmclean.org.

Oakton United Methodist Church has designated Sept. 14 as Bring a Friend Sunday, and invites members of the community to worship at 8:30 a.m. or 10:55 a.m., and attend Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Nursery services are available during the 10:55 a.m. service. Return at 5:45 p.m. for fellowship and share in a pot-luck din-

At 7 p.m., listen to 4tified, whose music reflects southern gospel favorites, soulful a cappella hymns and medleys, plus a number of original songs. Oakton United Methodist Church, 2951 Chain Bridge Road in Oakton, at the intersection of Rt. 123 and Hunter Mill Road. Visit www.oaktonumc.org or call 703-

SPORTS

Langley Volleyball is Younger, but Still Talented

Saxons coming off region championship season.

By Rich Sanders
The Connection

he Langley High girls' volleyball team graduated seven players from last year's Northern Region championship squad that went all the way to the Virginia State AAA finals. But the Saxons, despite the numerous losses to graduation, still have lots of talented players on this year's roster.

LANGLEY COACH Susan Shifflett said it might take a while before this year's younger, less experienced varsity squad comes into its own. But once the Saxons do get more experience playing together and gain a better comfort level as the season moves on, she believes her squad will be a cohesive unit with good potential.

"We have a lot of work to do," said Shifflett. "We're young, but they are very talented individuals. They need to learn my system. It will take half a season [to come around]."

Following its first six matches, Langley was a steady 4-2. The Saxons had a good showing at the recent 40-team Showcase Tournament at the Convention Center in Richmond Aug. 29-30. There, they competed in the second division field of teams where they won three of their four matches. They opened with a victory over Douglas Freedom High (Richmond), and then defeated a Lynchburg area school in their next match.

Langley lost its third match to First Colonial (Virginia Beach) in five games before wrapping up its trip with a win over Ocean Lakes, another Virginia Beach team.

The large tournament field in Richmond consisted of such teams as Deep Run (Glen Allen), Princess Anne (Virginia Beach) and Cox (Virginia Beach). At last year's state finals, Langley fell to Deep Run.

With all of the vast talent of teams in Richmond, it was an outstanding opportunity for Langley to go up against some top-notch competition before the start of the upcoming Liberty District schedule.

"It had the best teams in the state," said Shifflett, of the early season tournament. "They were all there."

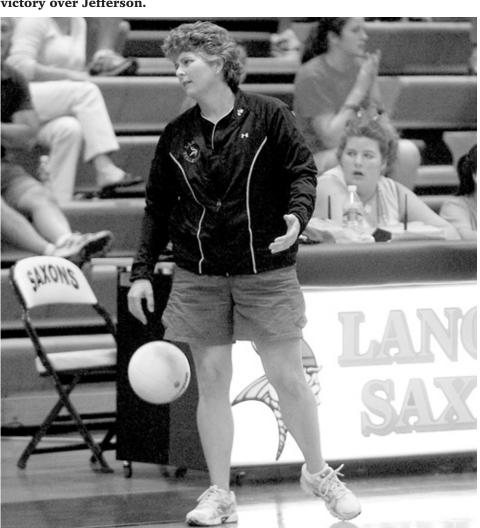
Shifflett said teams were seeded at the tournament based on last year's success and this year's returning experience. Overall, Langley went into the tourney seeded 20th overall of the 40 teams.

Key returning players for Langley this season include seniors Logan Sebastian (outside hitter) and Mattie Gray (opposite). Both are serving as Saxon co-captains this season. Also, talented players such as junior setter Elysse Richardson, sophomore Audrey Dotson, a standout player in the www.ConnectionNewspapers.com



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Langley lost to Herndon High in its first match (pictured) of the new season before bouncing back with a victory over Jefferson.



Saxon coach Susan Shifflett has a younger squad on the floor this season.

middle, and Kathryn Caine are back in the line-up.

Sebastian, who is tabbed to play the sport at the University of Delaware next school year, earned First Team All-District honors for the Saxons in 2007. Richardson, meanwhile, was a Second Team selection.

THERE IS A NATURAL pressure for this year's Langley team to succeed after the

success the Saxons had a year ago when they defeated Chantilly in the region finals.

"I think they realize there is a lot of pressure this year because of how well we did [last year]," said Shifflett. "But we're feeding off last year's success."

The Langley program has been among the best in the region for numerous years. The Saxons have qualified for regionals nine of the past 10 years. And Langley has qualified for state tournaments in both 1999 and last year.

In a match on Sept. 2, Langley opened its region schedule with a loss to visiting Herndon in four games (25-27, 25-20, 27-29 and 20-25). Herndon (7-0 record), a member of the Concorde District, is considered one of the better teams in the region this season. Last weekend, the Hornets took first place in their own eight-team Sixth Annual Herndon Invitational.

"Herndon is kind of all around solid," said Shifflett. "They don't have any real stars, but they play well all around. They are scrappy and play good defense."

Herndon coach Pat Smith said beating the defending region champion Saxons was a feather in her team's cap.

"It was very exciting and very gratifying to beat a team that had done so well against us in recent years," said Smith. "I think they're a very strong team. I think they missed a few more [chances] than we did and that's what matches come down to."

Two days following its loss to Herndon, the Saxons defeated Jefferson High in another home match.

This Saturday, Langley's varsity, JV and freshmen teams will travel to Douglas Freeman High in Richmond to take on the Rebels.

SPORTS



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McLean Youth Soccer's REAL McLean (boys U-16) team won the Classic Division of the OBGC Capital Cup Labor Day Tournament in Columbia, Md. The team posted an undefeated record with four wins, allowing only one goal during the tournament. The REAL is coached by Matt Leiva and plays in Div. 2 of the National Capital Soccer League (NCSL).

ROUNDUP

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McLean Youth Basketball is seeking experienced adults willing to coach a select/travel team for the upcoming winter season.

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The Langley High women's crew team has a new head coach. Matt

Fanny will lead the Saxon women this upcoming spring. Fanny rowed, managed and coached at Drake University in Des Moines, Ia., and later coached the men's and women's teams at West Virginia University. To learn more about the Langley crew team, parents and students can attend the Crew Information Night, on Wednesday, Oct. 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the Langley High library, or visit the website www.langleycrew.com

Langley Football Garners First Victory

By Rich Sanders The Connection

he Langley High football team won its first game of the young season last Friday night over Jefferson, 28-21, to improve to 1-1. Coach John Howerton's Saxons had opened the season with a loss at Chantilly.

Langley is set to host 2-0 Herndon this Friday night. The Hornets are coming off an impressive 27-6 home win over South Lakes. The week prior, Herndon was a week one winner over nonregion foe Park View.

Meanwhile, the McLean High football team fell to 0-2 last Friday night with a 30-14 loss at nondistrict opponent Stuart in Falls Church.

The Raiders led McLean 18-6 at halftime. The Highlanders' first half touchdown came on a 15-yard scoring catch by Riley Beiro from quarterback Will Hecht.

McLean, under first vear head coach Jim Patrick, opened the season two weeks ago with a 49-19 home loss to Annandale. The Highlanders will be looking to earn their first win this Friday night when they host W.T. Woodson.

In other local high school football action last week, Oakton High improved its record to 2-0 with a convincing 37-7 home win over Annandale.

The Atoms (1-1) had won at McLean convincingly the week were never in control against coach Joe Thompson's Cougars, who led 10-0 at halftime and 24-0 after three quarters. Oakton junior running back Trey Watts scored three touchdowns, two of those coming on passes from senior quarterback Chris Coyer. Also for Oakton, senior QB Ryan Harris tossed a touchdown pass to senior Jay Young from 40 yards out. Harris also ran for a score.

Oakton will travel to T.C. Williams in Alexandria for a 1 p.m. game this Saturday afternoon.

Madison High (0-2) lost at Yorktown last Friday night, 23-7. The Warhawks, who lost to Oakton in their season opener two weeks ago, will look to get into the victory column this Friday night when they host Wakefield High, a National District team from Arlington. The Warriors (0-2) lost to Hayfield, 35-21, last week.

Marshall High fell to 1-1 on the season with a 26-7 loss at Fairfax last Friday. The Statesmen, who defeated Hayfield in their season opener two weeks ago, led the home team Rebels 7-0 at halftime. But Fairfax scored 13 points in both the third and fourth quarters to take charge of the non-district contest. Marshall running back Vic Vanegas scored from a yard out for the game's only TD in the first half. Marshall hosts defending state AAA champion Stone Bridge (2-0) this Friday night.

The Stone Bridge High football team overwhelmed visiting opponent Robinson last Friday night, 49-7.

It was a sweet win for the defending Div. 5 state AAA champion Bulldogs, who suffered their only 2007 loss to the same Robinson team.

Senior running back Daniel Allen and senior QB Patrick Thompson both ran for a pair of touchdowns in the decisive Stone

before in a week one contest, but Bridge victory. Also scoring two touchdowns for the Bulldogs was senior running back/defensive back Michael Prince, who found the end zone on a 32-yard run on offense and also recovered a ball in the end zone on defense.

Stone Bridge scored two touchdowns apiece in each of the first three quarters. The Bulldogs led 28-7 at halftime and 42-7 after three quarters.

Stone Bridge improved to 2-0 with the win. The locals were 42-28 winners over West Springfield two weeks ago in Ashburn in week one action.

This Friday night, the Bulldogs will travel to Marshall High School for their Liberty District opener. Stone Bridge is playing a 1-1 Marshall squad that is coming off a 26-7 loss at Fairfax High last

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A year ago, Stone Bridge opened its postseason run with a 49-29 victory over Marshall in a Div. 5 quarterfinals round region playoff game.

One of Stone Bridge's tougher opponents this season was expected to be district opponent Madison. But the Warhawks are 0-2 following their 23-7 loss at Yorktown last Friday night.

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PIGSKIN PROGNOSTICATORS: Week Three

Each week, The Connection's Pigskin Prognosticators select winners from the top prep games.

GAMES OF THE WEEK

- 1. Yorktown at West Potomac 2. W. Springfield at Robinson
- 3. South County at Edison
- 4. Oakton at T.C. Williams
- 5. Herndon at Langley
- 6. Chantilly at Annandale
- 7. South Lakes at Falls Church 8. Fairfax at Washington-Lee
- 9. Ohio State at USC
- 10. Saints at Redskins

WEEK THREE SCHEDULE:

Games played Fri., Sep. 12 Centreville at Lee, 7:30 p.m. Chantilly at Annandale, 7:30 p.m. Fairfax at Washington-Lee, 7:30 p.m. Herndon at Langley, 6:30 p.m. W. Springfield at Robinson, 7:30 p.m. Hayfield at Westfield, 7:30 p.m. Jefferson at Mount Vernon, 7:30 p.m. Wakefield at Madison, 7:30 p.m. Stuart at Lake Braddock, 7:30 p.m. South County at Edison, 7:30 p.m. Yorktown at West Potomac, 7:30 p.m. Stone Bridge at Marshall, 7:30 p.m. W.T. Woodson at Mclean, 7:30 p.m. South Lakes at Falls Church, 7:30 p.m. Game played Sat., Sep. 12 Oakton at T.C. Williams, 1:00 p.m.



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- 1. West Potomac 2. W. Springfield
- 3. Edison 4. Oakton
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- 7. South Lakes
- 8. Fairfax 9. Ohio State 10. Saints



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- 3. Edison 4. Oakton
- 6. Chantilly 7. Falls Church 8. Fairfax
- 10. Redskins



Rich Sanders

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- 2. W. Springfield
- 3. Edison 4. Oakton
- 5. Langley 6. Chantilly
- 7. South Lakes 8. Fairfax
- 10. Saints

Roundup

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In execution of a Deed of Trust from Joseph Michael and Edwin H. Aguilera, dated February 23, 2007, and recorded
Russell, dated January 19, 2005, and recorded January 24, March 6, 2007, in Deed Book 4075 at page 782 among the
2005, in Deed Book 16907 at page 1908 among the Land Records of Arlington County, Virginia, the undersigned
cords of Fairfax County, Virginia, the undersigned substitute substitute trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front
trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front entrance entrance of the Judicial Center for Arlington County, at 1425 N.
of the Judicial Center for Fairfax County, at 1410 Chain Bridge. County are Paged Arlington Virginia. of the Judicial Center for Fairfax County, at 4110 Chain Bridge Courthouse Road, Arlington, Virginia, on

Friday, September 12, 2008 At 1:55 p.m.

the following property being the property contained in said beed of Trust, described as follows:

the following property being the property contained in said beed of Trust, described as follows:

Lot 12. Block 3. Forest Park Addition to Wavcroft, as the same appears duly dedicated, platted and recorded in Deed Book 379 at page 452, among the Land Records of Arlington County, Virginia

Commonly known as 4904 N. 16th Street, Arlington, Virginia 22205.

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of \$29,000.00 or ten percent (10%) of the sale price, whichever amount is less, in the percent (10%) of the sale price, whichever amount is less, in form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required or the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required or the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required or the purchaser the form of cash or its equivalent will be required or the purchaser the purchaser than the at the time and place of sale; the balance of the purchase mon- chaser at the time and place of sale; the balance of the pur ey being due and payable within fifteen (15) days after sale, chase money being due and payable within fifteen (15) days after sale, chase money being due and payable within fifteen (15) days time expressly being of the essence, with interest at 4.870 percent per annum from date of sale to date of settle- the rate of 4.875 percent per annum from date of sale to date 4.870 percent per annum from date of sale to date of settlement. Provided, however, that if the holder of the secured of settlement. Provided, however, that if the holder of the sepromissory note is the successful bidder at the sale, no cash cured promissory note is the successful bidder at the sale, no deposit shall be required, and part of or the entire indebted cash deposit shall be required, and part of or the entire indebteness, including interest and costs, secured by the Deed of Trust, may be set off against the purchase price.

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In the event the undersigned trustee is unable to convey to the purchaser good title, then purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy shall be in the refund of the deposit paid at the time of sale.

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The undersigned trustee unconditionally reserves the right: (i) to waive the deposit requirement; (ii) to approve or disapprove the creditworthiness of any bidder and/or purchaser; approve the creditworthiness of any bidder and/or purchaser; (iii) to withdraw the property from sale at any time prior to termination of the bidding; (iv) to extend the time for bidding; (v) mination of the bidding; (v) to extend the time for bidding; (v) to reject any or all bids; (vi) to postpone or set over the date or to reject any or all bids; (vi) to extend the period of time for settlement time of sale; and (viii) to extend the period of time for settlement time of sale; and (viii) to extend the period of time for settlement time of sale; and (viii) to extend the period of time for settlement time of sale; and (viii) to extend the period of time for settlement time of sale; and (viii) to extend the period of time for settlement time of sale; and (viii) to extend the period of time for settlement time of sale; and (viii) to extend the period of time for settlement time of sale; and (viii) to extend the period of time for settlement time of sale; and (viii) to extend the period of time for settlement time of sale; and (viii) to extend the period of time for settlement time of sale; and (viii) to extend the period of time for settlement time of sale; and (viii) to extend the period of time for settlement time of sale; and (viii) to extend the sale; an time of sale; and (vii) to extend the period of time for settlement time of sale; and (vii) to extend the period of time for settlemen

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