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Chase Thompson of Great Falls  
tries hitting a ball during the 2008  
Great Falls Spring Festival at the  
Village Centre, one of many ways  
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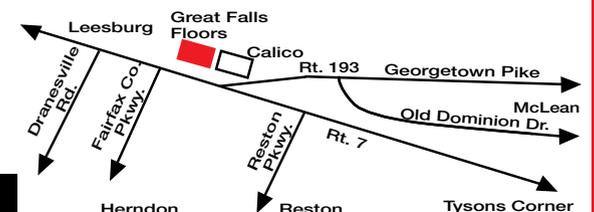
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Conceptual design for Great Falls' next fire station, as seen from Georgetown Pike. Construction will begin this spring.

## 2009 Hot Topics

Local representatives looking at new year.

By DONNA MANZ  
 THE CONNECTION

What's on the "radar screen" for the Vienna area's elected officials in the 2009? Local representatives share their objectives as they relate to the topics most-widely affecting their constituents. The Vienna-Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce weighs in, as well, on Tysons Corner redevelopment as it impacts business and consumers.

# A Look at 2009

The year ahead in Great Falls.

By MIKE DiCICCO  
 THE CONNECTION

## Fire Station Construction

In the spring, Great Falls fire fighters will move into trailers and their equipment will be put under tents as the fire station on Georgetown Pike is demolished and rebuilt.

Of particular concern to residents is the closing of the cut-through between Walker Road and Georgetown Pike that is formed by the station's parking lot and driveways. Though it is not a legal roadway, for decades the cut-through has alleviated southbound traffic turning right onto Georgetown Pike and east-bound traffic turning north. It will be closed down as soon as construction begins.

An extended right-turn lane will be built on southbound Walker Road to compensate for the loss of the cut-through and county officials have said accommodations for traffic turning north onto Walker Road should not be necessary. However, construction of the turn lane is not scheduled to begin until spring of 2010, almost a year after the cut-through is shut down and it is expected to be completed that summer.

The county is trying to get the lane put in sooner, but is not inclined to postpone the construction of the station, since deferral could lead to cost overruns, and the funding could end up being redirected to other projects.

The county plans to continue hauling wastewater from the station by truck, but is looking into the possibility of purchasing the lot behind the building for a septic field.



The Beautification Committee will set long-term goals for making the Village Centre area more attractive, but also hopes to make some improvements in the coming year.

The ground there is being tested to see if it is suitable. The approximately \$1.2 million that it would cost to buy the lot would be about twice the cost of pumping and hauling sewage over the next 30 years, but the station is now projected to come in about \$1.1 million under budget.

The station is being replaced because, built in 1960, it is too small to house the current crew and apparatus and is no longer up to code. Construction is expected to be completed in the fall of 2010.

## Senior Living

The Great Falls 2020 Vision Survey revealed a strong desire for places where senior citizens could live in smaller, more easily managed properties without having to move out of Great Falls. A number of discussions about possible sites for a cluster community of small homes took place in

2008 and the search can be expected to continue this year.

A proposal to explore a site near Innsbruck Avenue was withdrawn after neighbors protested and a suggested amendment to the Comprehensive Plan that would have looked into the possibility of building an independent living community on the Hill's Nursery property on Route 7 was withdrawn in December. The primary concern was whether the land could be properly developed without endangering Piney Run.

Local landowner Jamie Jessee suggested that about three acres that he owned near Great Falls Village Centre could support a cluster of 10 or 11 small homes and he had some design work done. A number of local senior

citizens expressed interest and even said they were ready to make down payments during meetings with the Great Falls Citizens Association's (GFCA) Planning Committee.

However, when Jessee recently brought the matter before the full board of the GFCA, the board tabled the Planning Committee's letter of support for another time. In an e-mail sent out in late December, Jessee said he could no longer financially afford to continue pursuing the project and would be putting the property back on the market.

Upon withdrawing her proposal, GFCA Land Use Committee co-chair Marta Roy, who had nominated the development on the Hill's Nursery Property, said she hoped to bring in developers for talks about how and where an independent living facility might be built.

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JOHN FOUST,  
 Dranesville District Supervisor

"The economic crisis will present many challenges but we will make progress on many fronts in 2009. Our most critical task will be to craft a county budget that reflects our community's priorities, including adequate funding for

public schools and the human services safety net. The comprehensive plan for Tysons Corner will be revised to encourage a pedestrian-friendly, transit-oriented community. We will work to mitigate the traffic impact of the Beltway HOT Lanes and Dulles Rail projects. Several critical capital improvement projects, including the Great Falls Fire Station, the Herndon Fire Station and the Dolley Madison Library renovation, will be advanced. With the assistance of many community members, we will focus on improving and expanding pedestrian and bicycle trails. Efforts to revitalize downtown McLean will continue. And we will continue to focus on implementing the county's environmental initiatives."



MARGI VANDERHYE,  
 State House of Delegates (D-34)

"This year, I plan to focus on energy and environmental issues in the General Assembly. I will introduce bills that will provide incentives for utility customers to reduce their consumption

of electricity, and another to help us achieve better statewide energy efficiency standards. I will also introduce legislation to create a public-private partnership so that more underserved women in Virginia can be treated for breast or cervical cancer. And in a tight budget year, I hope to contribute creative solutions to addressing our funding shortfall. Our legislative session will be challenging, but I know we can make progress on our environmental agenda in the new year if we work together."

## Burglar Caught By Surprise

A 42-year-old Great Falls woman surprised a would-be burglar in her home Thursday, Dec. 18. Police were called to the home, located in the 900 block of Leigh Mill Road, around 12:25 p.m. They determined the woman was lying in her bed when she noticed a shadow in the hallway. She went to investigate and found a man in another bedroom. She screamed and the suspect ran downstairs and out the back door.

Further investigation determined the suspect entered the home through an unlocked door. Nothing was taken from inside and the victim was not injured.

The suspect was described as either a Hispanic or light-skinned black male in his 30s. He was about 5 feet 6 inches tall and 150 to 170 pounds. He was wearing a dark gray zip-up hoodie with a design on the left breast pocket area and dark-colored pants.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Crime Solvers by phone at 1-866-411-TIPS(8477), e-mail at [www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org](http://www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org) or text "TIP187" plus your message to CRIMES(274637) or call Fairfax County Police at 703-691-2131.



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The Great Falls Spring Festival of May 2008 included a car show, games and rides for children, a raffle, hay rides, a treasure hunt, musical performances and many other activities.

# 101 Ways to Have Fun

There's no excuse for not enjoying yourself on a daily basis around here.

The following is the first of four installments on just over 100 diversions in Great Falls, McLean and the surrounding area. More to come in the following weeks.

### FESTIVALS

## Hunt for Easter Eggs (And Precious Gems)

**Great Falls Spring Festival**  
Great Falls Village Centre,  
Intersection of Walker Road and Georgetown Pike, Great Falls

The Great Falls Spring Festival, started by Adeler Jewelers, is now staged by the Optimist Club, although Adeler still donates the precious gems that take the place of candy in a few of the hidden eggs. The event has grown over the years, and last year's festival, held in and around the Town Green in early May, included entertainment for children and adults, games, pony rides, an antique and new car show, demonstrations, a 5K run, raffles, food, hay rides and face painting, in addition to the egg hunt. Visit [www.greatfallsoptimist.org](http://www.greatfallsoptimist.org).

## Celebrate the Fourth

Fourth of July at the Village Centre  
Great Falls Village Centre  
**Intersection of Walker Road and Georgetown Pike, Great Falls**

Independence Day lasts all day at the Great Falls Village Centre, where the day kicks off with a baby parade at 8 a.m. The main parade starts two hours later and is followed by games, food and fun until early afternoon. Evening activities include inflat-



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Festival goers get their faces painted at last year's McLean Day.

able amusements for kids and a 30-min fireworks display.

## Renew the Dream

Martin Luther King Celebration  
McLean Community Center  
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McLean's sixth annual Martin Luther King Celebration to be held Sunday, Jan. 18 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the McLean Community Center, will include a guest speaker, live musical entertainment and a barbecue dinner. The master of ceremonies will be Rev. Dr. Robert Cheeks Jr., pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church in McLean, and the guest speaker will be Rev. Todd Brown, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Chesterbrook. Providing music will be saxophonist J. Plunky Branch and the Tom Teasley and Charles Williams act.

## Scarf Down Funnel Cake at McLean Day

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Every year at Lewinsville Park, McLean celebrates "McLean Day," a spring day to commemorate the community. This event is sponsored by the McLean Community Center. The festival features carnival rides, live entertainment, food, arts and crafts, face painting and tattoos, various demonstrations, and a moon bounce. McLean Day

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## Drama Company's Play Contest

The McLean Drama Company is announcing its 10-minute play contest for adults. The winning play will be presented at the Alden Theatre in mid-June.

Submit play accompanied by cover letter with the title and

author's resume or biography. Play entered must not have been presented in any previous performance. No pseudonyms permitted.

Deadline is January 31 and entry fees are McLean residents \$15, Fairfax County \$20, Washington, D.C., Montgomery County and surrounding areas \$25.

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## Local Farm Joins Angus Association

Memory Lane Farm of Great Falls is a new member of the American Angus Association, reports Bryce Schumann, chief executive officer of the national breed registry organization in Saint Joseph, Mo.

The American Angus Association, with nearly 33,000 active adult and junior members, is the largest beef cattle registry association in the world. Its computerized records include detailed information on nearly 16 million registered Angus.

The association records ancestral information and keeps production records on individual animals for its members. Most of these registered Angus are used by the U.S. farmers and ranchers who raise high quality beef for U.S. consumption.

# Imagination and Improvisation

## Traveling Players Showcases Young Talent

BY SUSANNA TISA  
THE CONNECTION

Aspiring actors have to spend lots of time practicing and honing their craft for just a short time in the spotlight. For those who are really serious, Traveling Players offers weekend theater classes during fall and winter semesters to sharpen acting skills in preparation for more challenging roles and bigger productions.

Traveling Players is a local professional theater company that brings together the theater and the outdoors through its summer camp programs and offers educational programs during the school year. "Kids come to our classes from all over the area," Jeanne Harrison, artistic director of the Traveling Players, said.

**THE WINTER SHOWCASE**, held in mid-December at Cooper Middle School in McLean, featured theatrical scenes, plays and monologues developed by the ensemble's fall class students. The school is made available on the weekends for these acting classes and final productions courtesy of the Arts Council of Fairfax.

Harrison kicked off the improvisational segment of the show to the assembled onlookers with a word of thanks to her staff, board members and the hard-working students.

"The roles we select for improvisation are typically age-appropriate," Harrison added during her introduction. "That way, the actors are more relaxed and can focus on being spontaneous."

Harrison described "The Children's Hour" as a story about good and evil. The scene featured Amy Fifer of Great Falls as Evelyn and Morgan McNair of Potomac as Peggy, trying to calm their spoiled and difficult friend Mary (played by Alison Cohen of Arlington) who had just been severely punished by the school's headmistress. As Evelyn looked on in horror, Mary proceeded to extort money from Peggy, so that she could run away from school and tell her rich grandmother how she had been mistreated.

**BOARD MEMBERS** who support the Traveling Players ensemble were on hand to support the Winter Showcase event. Rhonda Krafchin has been on the board for the past two years. "I first got involved through my out-



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**Morgan McNair of Potomac, Amy Fifer of Great Falls and Alison Cohen of Arlington in "The Children's Hour."**

reach work at the Fairfax REI store," Krafchin said, "and I taught environmental ethics as part of the summer camp program."

Another scene involved high-school boys having a serious man-to-man talk in the school cafeteria. "Sammy Carducci's Guide to Women" featured Chris Baughman as Gus Gaffney, who was learning how to find the right woman during lunch break from his older and wiser buddy, Sammy. Baughman, from Great Falls, broke into exu-

berant facial expressions as he listened intently to his friend rating prospective dates for the upcoming school dance.

In "East of the Sun and West of the Moon," two droll and mischievous Trolls, played by Camille Speer of Great Falls and Grace Houseman of Arlington, were on a mission to catch a Prince trapped in the body of a ferocious white bear. The Trolls, named Waldo and Coby, disagreed about how to pro-

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# OPINION

# Happy New Year

Let's have some fun.

The news as we begin 2009 can be daunting, even with the excitement brewing over the inauguration of President Barack Obama later this month.

While there are a lot of serious things to be concerned about, at the Connection, we'll start the year with a look at fun things to do.

From visiting Great Falls (if you haven't, you really should) to playing Frisbee golf in McLean's central park or Burke Lake park, favorite bars, fun local festivals to mark on your calendar, spots for laser tag, skeet shooting practice, dog parks, equestrian opportunities, sailing lessons, and many fun things to do for free, over the month of January, The Connection will compile hundreds of ways to have fun.

Be sure to share your tips for fun things to do in your orbit.

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Connection's mission is to bring the news you need about your community that you are not likely to get anywhere else — to advocate for community good, to provide a forum for dialogue on local concerns, and to celebrate and record milestones in community and people's lives.

We begin 2009 by looking for more input from our readers. Let us know how we're doing, and let us know what is going on in your part of the community.

We invite you to send letters to the editor, or just to send us an e-mail letting us know about something you especially liked or didn't like about our coverage.

We appreciate readers' ideas. If you see something that you think might be a story, or just something you wonder about, give us a call, or drop us a line.

We want to know if you have an idea for fixing traffic in your part of the world. We want

to know if you've had a good or bad experience with local government. If you know of a person or an organization that is interesting, doing important work, and might make a good feature story, let us know.

If someone in your family or your community published a book, became an Eagle Scout, raised money for a good cause, accomplished some feat like running a marathon or having art included in an art show, these are all things that we want to know. E-mail or mail us a photo and a note about the event. Be sure to include the names of all the people who are in a photo, and say when and where the photo was taken.

We also publish notes about news and events in local businesses. Notes about openings, new employees, anniversaries are welcome.

In covering the issues, we strive to provide a voice for our readers. We look forward to hearing from you in 2009.

— MARY KIMM,

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## EDITORIALS

# More Serious Stuff Ahead

❖ In Fairfax County, a critically important election is coming up in less than a month.

Tuesday, Feb. 3 all polling places will be open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. to choose a replacement for Board of Supervisors Chairman Gerry Connolly, who begins representing much of Fairfax County in the U.S. House of Representatives this week.

Two current members of the Board of Supervisors are vying to replace Connolly, Sharon

Bulova (D-Braddock) and Pat Herrity (R-Springfield). Both candidates are dedicated individuals with excellent experience and ample intellects. Their approaches to handling the county as it heads through a period of economic crisis would be quite different. You'll read more about them in the pages of the Connection. See their Web sites for more in the meantime: <http://sharonbulova.com>, and <http://herrity.balancegroup.us>

❖ The Virginia General Assembly begins its annual session with a budget train wreck next week. Go to the Virginia General Assembly Web site for more at <http://legis.state.va.us>.

The House of Delegates and Senate of Virginia operate a toll-free message center to accept calls from citizens who want to express an opinion on legislation. The messages are relayed to the members' offices as requested. Call the Constituent Viewpoint line at 800-889-0229.

# Assembly Faces Budget Challenges

Gravity of budget situation calls for bipartisanship.

BY MARGI VANDERHYE  
STATE DELEGATE (D-34)

This week I am preparing to depart for Richmond and my second session as our delegate to the Virginia General Assembly. The gravity of our current budget situation should lead to genuine bipartisan cooperation on the difficult decisions we must make to close a \$3 billion shortfall. The clash over competing proposals, however, will more likely dominate the headlines until the budget goes to the conference committee.

Governor Kaine has released his revenue revisions and budget proposals for the remainder of the biennial budget period (HB 1600), and he has targeted programs and agencies across the board for reductions and savings. Among his proposals are these: state employees will not receive raises; VDOT will cut over 1,100 positions; K-12 nonclassroom support positions will be capped; public colleges and universities will absorb up to 15 percent cuts by 2010; and within the Department of Corrections, two prisons, two field units, two detention centers and 11 day re-



porting centers will be closed.

**OFFSETTING THESE CUTS** are some additions to important programs in college financial aid, support for sheriff's office dispatchers, additional spending on mandated water quality improvements and Medicaid and children's health insurance enrollment funds.

The governor has also proposed several tax policy changes including an additional \$.30 per pack tax on cigarettes. If implemented, the tax would become \$.60, half the national average, and would be used for health-care costs. If all the governor's tax proposals were accepted, they would generate an additional \$140.6 million in general funds and \$154.9 million for the Health Care Fund. I am sending out constituent surveys this month, so you can share your views about the governor's budget priorities, either through the mailed survey or online at [info@vanderhye.com](mailto:info@vanderhye.com).

My own legislative proposals are revenue

neutral and focus mainly on environmental and energy issues. I have a bill to encourage energy efficiency through conservation and incentives, including inclining block rates for residential utility bills. Another bill calls for a study, also revenue neutral, on inverse tax rates on utility bills, again to encourage conservation and reduce consumption. To address our Chesapeake Bay crisis, I am introducing a bill to help farmers who want to invest in waste-to-energy technologies that reduce nonpoint source pollution. The result would be an additional renewable energy source, cleaner water, and a revenue source for the farmer.

**TO PURSUE A GOAL** I have had since I joined the General Assembly, I will introduce a bill to create a state fund for the treatment of underserved women with breast or cervical cancer. The fund is designed to accept private sector donations that qualify for matching Federal money. With this fund, we can potentially save thousands of lives by diagnosing and treating cancer in its earlier stages. I am also co-sponsoring a bill to give our own veterans access to educational op

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# Players Present Winter Showcase

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ceed with their task and a vigorous argument ensued. They finally reached agreement and proceeded to cause as much trouble as they possibly could.

Kira Feldmesser of Oakton played lonely Sara Kate Connolly in "Afternoon of the Elves." The scene was set in Sara's backyard, but in Sara's mind her garden was really an imaginary fairy kingdom. Sara was joined in her secret place by neighbor Hillary, played by Tayma Alassar of Reston, who wanted to learn more about elves and actually see one appear.

Chris Baughman worked props, hidden underneath a nearby table. There was some spontaneous fun as actors and stagehands got tied up in fishing line that magically turned the Elf Ferris Wheel. At scene's end, the audience applauded Feldmesser and Alassar for creative (and messy) set design.

**WINTER SEMESTER** classes conducted by Traveling Players start up in early January and spots are still available. Middle-school students, grades fifth through eighth, can either study improvisation or act in a production of "The Phantom Tollbooth." High-school students in grades ninth



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**Chris Baughman of Great Falls play Gus Gaffney in "Sammy Carducci's Guide to Women."**

**Camille Speer of Great Falls and Grace Houseman of Arlington in "East of the Sun and West of the Moon."**



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**Get a taste of Ireland at the Old Brogue Irish Pub.**

## For the Taste Buds

**Reston Taste of the Town  
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With more than 30,000 people checking out the tasty treats that area restaurants have to offer, the annual Taste of the Town is the largest outdoor food festival in Northern Virginia. But food isn't the only attraction at this June event — fun activities in the "Kids Korner" and live entertainment add to

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## Shoot the Rapids

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Whitewater boating is the most common type of boating at Great Falls Park, with the use of whitewater kayaks and canoes. The section of the Potomac River flowing through the park varies from moderately easy to extreme. Most boaters are experienced and know that they boat at their own risk. All boaters must enter the river below the falls in Fisherman's Eddy, between Overlooks 1 and 2, and in AA Gorge. Great Falls Park is open daily from 7 a.m. until dark. Individual passes to the park cost \$3, and a vehicle pass costs \$5. Visit [www.nps.gov/grfa](http://www.nps.gov/grfa).

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The Saxon dance team was part of the inaugural college football EagleBank Bowl game festivities.

## Langley High Dance Team Represents Area

The Langley High dance team took part in the recent Naval Academy Welcome Pep Rally, held at the Mayflower Hotel Dec. 16. The event was part of a week of celebration activities leading up to the inaugural college football EagleBank Bowl game, which paired Navy against Wake Forest at RFK Stadium.

The Langley dance team, coached by Ellen Shatzen, was thrilled to be invited to the spirited pep rally. The Saxons appeared on the Channel 9 evening news and were featured on washingtonpost.com's video board. The dance team did a superb job representing Langley High School and the McLean community.

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- "Buy Local Task Force"... "Shop Great Falls"
- The intersection of Georgetown Pike and Walker Road... the proposed improvements' impact on our business community
- Septic issues in our business community
- Fairfax County Fire Station proposal... the "untold" story

For more information, contact Stephen Dulaney, V.P. of Membership, at 703-759-4155 or e-mail g.s.dulaney.bv7@statefarm.com.

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## WEDNESDAY/JAN. 7

**Edwin McCain**, 8 p.m. Soulful acoustics at The Barns. Tickets \$25. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.

**Vienna area 6th, 7th and 8th graders can play "Jeopardy"** at 4 p.m. at Club Phoenix Teen Center, located in the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St. S.E. Free. 703-255-6360 or [www.viennava.gov](http://www.viennava.gov).

**Monkey Business**, 10:30 a.m. Five little monkey stories and activities. Age 2-5 with adult. Dolley Madison Library, 1244 Oak Ridge Ave., McLean. 703-356-0770.

## THURSDAY/JAN. 8

**'The Battle of Dranesville & John Singleton Mosby, Connections with the Gray Ghost and his Rangers' by Donald C. Hakenson**, author of "This Forgotten Land: A Tour of Civil War Sites and Other Historical Landmarks South of Alexandria, Virginia." Books will be available for sale and signing. 7:30 p.m. at the McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. [schulm@erols.com](mailto:schulm@erols.com) or 703-442-9370.

**Altan**. Irish jigs and ballads. 8 p.m. at The Barns. Tickets \$24. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.

**Tiny Tot Tales**, 10:30 a.m. Stories and activities. Age 13-23 months with adult. Dolley Madison Library, 1244 Oak Ridge Ave., McLean. 703-356-0770.

**Dominion Christian School Open House**, for the kindergarten through eight grades. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and 7:30-9 p.m. at 10922 Vale Road, Oakton. Dominion will offer an Upper School starting with 9th grade for the 2009-10 school year, and tenth-twelfth grades will be added in subsequent years. 703-758-1055.

## FRIDAY/JAN. 9

**Lavay Smith & Her Red Hot Skillet Lickers**. 8 p.m. Swing dance of the 1940s and '50s at The Barns. Tickets \$22. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.

**The Paul Green School of Rock Music Nirvana Legacy show**, 1 p.m. at Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. Tickets \$10. 703-255-1566 or [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).

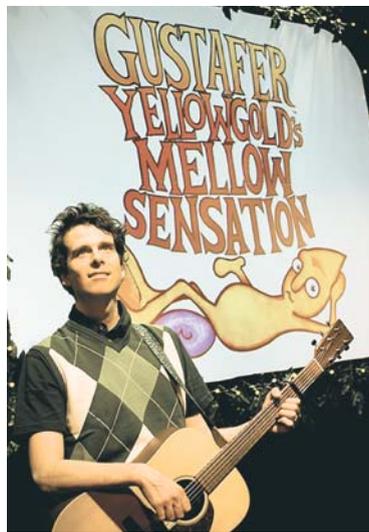
**Eric Scott, The Method and Marie Miller**. Pop/funk. 9:30 p.m. \$12. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).

**Julia Duin signs 'Quitting Church'**, 7 p.m. at Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 7851 L Tysons Corner Center, McLean. 703-506-2937 or [www.bn.com](http://www.bn.com).

**Open House and Fireside Stories**, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. at Riverbend Park, 8700 Potomac Hills St., Great Falls. Gather 'round the fireside for naturalist-led stories. Visit exhibit animals. Refreshments served. Prepaid reservations required. \$6 per child, \$2 per adult. 703-759-9018.

## SATURDAY/JAN. 10

**Gustafer Yellowgold Mellow Sensation with Morgan Taylor**. Family music. 2 p.m. Tickets \$12, \$8 for McLean district residents at the Robert Ames Alden Theatre at the McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. [www.mcleancenter.org](http://www.mcleancenter.org).



**Gustafer Yellowgold Mellow Sensation with Morgan Taylor will be at the Robert Ames Alden Theatre in the McLean Community Center on Saturday, Jan. 10.**

**The Langley High School Concert Choir**, 7 p.m. at the Cornerstone International Church, 12113 Vale Road in Oakton. 703-765-4342 or [stlukesfriendsofmusic@yahoo.com](mailto:stlukesfriendsofmusic@yahoo.com).

**Cathy and Marcy's Family Jamboree** with Special Guests: music for families. 5-7 p.m. \$10. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).

**John Eddie**. Rock. 9:30 p.m. \$15. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).

**The McLean Branch of the American Association of University Women**, 9:30 a.m. at the McLean Community Center, featuring a panel of Fairfax County high school educators who will discuss the AAUW reports "How Schools Shortchange Girls" and "Where the Girls Are: The Facts About Gender Equity in Education." 703-830-6503 or [www.mcleanaauw.org](http://www.mcleanaauw.org).

**Legal Aspects of Separation and Divorce**, 10 a.m. at the McLean Government Center, 1437 Balls Hill Road, McLean. \$55 non-members, \$45 members. [www.thewomenscenter.org](http://www.thewomenscenter.org) or 703-281-2657.

**Walk-in registration for Greater Vienna Babe Ruth League's spring season**, 10-2 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center at 120 Cherry St. S.E., Vienna. All new players must register in person. [www.gvbrl.org](http://www.gvbrl.org).

## SUNDAY/JAN. 11

**25th Annual Mid Atlantic Song Contest Awards Gala & Concert**. 4 p.m. \$7 in advance and for SAW members, \$10 at the door. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).

**Mo Willems signs 'Naked Mole Rat Gets Dressed'**, 2 p.m. Wristbands will be distributed beginning at 9 a.m. at Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 7851 L Tysons Corner Center, McLean. 703-506-2937 or [www.bn.com](http://www.bn.com).

**Just Jumper Horse Show Series**, 9 a.m. at Frying Pan Park, 2709 West Ox Road, Fairfax. Watch local residents compete. Spectators admitted free. 703-437-9101.

**Sunday Matinee: 'Lassie'**, 12 p.m. and 2 p.m. at Frying Pan Park, 2709 West Ox Road, Fairfax. Free. 703-437-9101.

**Sully Myth Tour**, 2 p.m. at the Sully Historic Site, 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly. \$6 adults, \$5 students, \$4 seniors and children. Discover the truth behind the myths. 703-437-1794.

**The Langley High School Madrigals**, 7 p.m. will be featured performers at St. Luke's Friends of Music Twelfth Night Concert, 8009 For Hunt Road, Alexandria. 703-765-4342 or [stlukesfriendsofmusic@yahoo.com](mailto:stlukesfriendsofmusic@yahoo.com).

**The Old Dominion Chrysanthemum Society on "Landscaping with Chrysanthemums"**, and the steps to take now for the care of beds and plants to produce a profusion of colors. 2:30 p.m. at the Falls Church Community Center, 223 Little Falls Street, Falls Church. Open to the public. Free admission and refreshments. Jim Dunne, 703-560-8776.

## MONDAY/JAN. 12

**Family Skate Nights**, 6:30-8 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center. \$1 per skater; bring your own skates and safety equipment.

**Why Good Wills Go Bad**, from 10-11:30 a.m. at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St. S.E. Free. 703-255-6360 or [www.viennava.gov](http://www.viennava.gov).

**The Great Game Escape**, 4 p.m. Challenge your friends to some fun and brain-stretching games. Age 6-12. Dolley Madison Library, 1244 Oak Ridge Ave., McLean. 703-356-0770.

**Bedtime Stories**, 7 p.m. Stories to end the day. All ages. Dolley Madison Library, 1244 Oak Ridge Ave., McLean. 703-356-0770.

**The War**. 7 p.m. \$10 advance, \$12 at the door. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).

## TUESDAY/JAN. 13

**Brown Bear, Brown Bear**, 10:30 a.m. Music, fingerplay and the stories Bill Martin Jr.'s stories. Toddlers age 3-5 will have a craft. Ages Birth-5. Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. 703-757-8560

**Debris**. Rock. 7:30 p.m. \$10. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).

## WEDNESDAY/JAN. 14

**Great Falls Historical Society**, 7 p.m. at the Great Falls Library, Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. 703-757-8560. Karen Washburn speaking on "Towlston Grange." GFHS.org or 703-759-9188.

**Al de Meola, guitar virtuoso**. 8 p.m. at The Barns. Tickets \$35. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.

**Kitten and Cat Adoption Extravaganza**, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. All of the cats and kittens are fully socialized, vaccinated and de-wormed. All of the kittens and cats can be selected on the adoption site, and many may be able to be taken home the same day. Chris C. Haslam, Commonwealth Cat Rescue, Inc. 703-568-3600.

**Preschool Sing-Along**, 10:30 a.m. Sing songs with Miss Belle. All ages. Dolley Madison Library, 1244 Oak Ridge Ave., McLean. 703-356-0770.

## THURSDAY/JAN. 15

**Chapter 227, Vietnam Veterans of America Inc.** meeting at Neighbor's Restaurant, 262D Cedar Lane Shopping Center, Vienna, at 7:30 p.m. Col. Ward B. Nickisch, U.S. Army (Retired) will give a presentation of the current process to recover and identify the remains of unaccounted service members from World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. The general public is invited. Admission is free. Call Len Ignatowski at 703-255-0353 or visit [www.vva227.org](http://www.vva227.org).

# 2009 in Great Falls

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## Beautifying Great Falls

In late October, a Beautification Committee was established in Great Falls to focus on creating a coherent sense of place in the center of town, where the appearances of the separate shopping areas now have little in common. The group has met a few times and is still figuring out the nature and scope of its work, which could deal with anything from signage to zoning, and meetings and membership are open to anyone interested in helping out or providing ideas.

While the committee has tossed around long-term goals such as the possibility of striving for a "Virginia hamlet" look like Middleburg or installing a roundabout at the intersection of Walker Road and Georgetown Pike, members also want to set some short-term goals in order to begin transforming the village center in the coming months. These could include signage, lighting, plantings, benches, pathways and other relatively easy changes.

The Beautification Committee is especially calling on local architects, landscape architects, town planners, gardeners and anyone else with relevant expertise to give of their time and knowledge.

## Center for an Active Community?

Studies on the need for and possible location of a Great Falls community center could begin this year. In December, the Dranesville District Area Plan Review (APR) Task Force forwarded to the county Planning Commission a possible amendment to the Comprehensive Plan that would express the intention to build such a facility.

County staff supported the amendment and if it is approved by the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors, the county would begin conducting a needs assessment in the area. It would likely be a team of county staff and local residents that would search for a site for the facility. The ball field north of the library, along

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opportunities here in Virginia. And as a member of the Joint Bioscience and Biotechnology Study Committee, I will be co-sponsoring measures to encourage private sector investment in biotech and cooperation between the industry and our state universities.

I was pleased to see so many of

with adjacent, county-owned land is one suggested location that has been discussed.

Currently, there is no public gym facility in Great Falls and the most commonly used public gathering space is the Grange, which is small and often booked.

It is possible that the community center would have to be funded by a special tax district, like the McLean Community Center.

## Happy Trails

Last year saw a big push for trails and walkways in the community and at least some of that should come to fruition this year. The Great Falls Trail Blazers won almost \$2 million in federal grants for walkways along Georgetown Pike and Walker Road and construction is expected to begin in May.

Outside of commercial areas, Great Falls has opposed the concrete sidewalks that normally have to be built by developers and the lack of sidewalks, combined with narrow, windy roads, makes it hard to get anywhere by foot, bike or horse.

Residents had hoped for construction of the trails to start last summer, and then last fall, but the funding has to be spent by the county and the state, making it a complicated process. Also, a number of easements had to be purchased.

Phase I, to be completed by September, includes a stretch of both asphalt and stone dust running west on Georgetown Pike from Walker Road to Applewood Lane and an upgrade on the existing stone dust trail between the library and Innsbruck Avenue. On Walker Road, a five-foot concrete sidewalk is to stretch 1,100 feet north of Great Falls Elementary School. Phase II, which has not yet been scheduled, includes trail and improvements to existing trail between Utterback Store Road and Falls Chase Court.

The Trail Blazers released a handbook on trail building in early summer, available on their Web site, and the organization and the GFCA are pushing for residents to organize and build some trails themselves.

you at the Town Hall meeting last Saturday at the McLean Community Center. Your views are important to those of us who speak on your behalf in Richmond. I look forward to your continued interest and feedback. As always, it is an honor and privilege to represent people who care so much about our issues and take the time to be informed.

## PEOPLE

**“He is so delightful.”**

— Stephanie Firestone, sculptor

**Dr. Comunale signs books at TaBois-Bonhomme Galerie d'Art Saturday, Dec. 20, in McLean.**

PHOTOS BY JANELLE L. PLUMMER/  
THE CONNECTION



## Writer's 'Safe Haven'

**Dr. Robert Comunale releases third Book at McLean Gallery.**

BY JANELLE L. PLUMMER  
THE CONNECTION

**D**r. Robert Comunale plays softly on the piano at TaBois-Bonhomme Galerie d'Art in McLean, while he waits for guests to arrive. Stephanie Firestone, a sculptor whose artwork is on display in the gallery, sits on the sofa listening to the tunes. This doctor is no stranger in Galerie d'Art.

“He is so delightful,” Firestone said, laughing.

Comunale, a semiretired physician who has lived in McLean for more than four decades, returned to Galerie d'Art, Dec. 20-21, to release his third novel “The Legend of Safehaven” for a book signing.

“The Legend of Safehaven” follows the life of Dr. Galen and his friends, Robert and Nancy Edison, as they live in semiretirement on a mountaintop in Pennsylvania, raising and caring for the three-orphaned Cuban children they had rescued and adopted, according to Mountain Lake Press Web site.

Along the way, the six residents of the mountain interact with a variety of individuals — human and animal — who also have found a home on the property that becomes known as Safehaven.

**COMUNALE** said all of his novels are a part of the series of the Safehaven Chronicles.

“They are human interest,” he said. “They are an insight to human nature and a darn good read.”

“The Legend of Safehaven” is a sequel to his original and first book



**Dr. Robert Comunale, author of “The Legend of Safehaven,” signs a book for Marja Guercin, a McLean resident, at TaBois-Bonhomme Galerie d'Art Saturday, Dec. 20.**

“Requiem for the Bone Man.” His second novel “Berto's World” is a prequel to “Requiem for the Bone Man.”

Comunale said he was inspired to write books, when a series of events occurred in his life.

“[I] re-established contact with a good friend from school,” he said. “The Internet allowed us to be in contact. My roommate from medical school was killed the day before he was going to retire. That's how I got started.”

Peter Mersky, a patient of Comunale who lives in Alexandria, attended the book signing. He's been a patient of Comunale for more than 37 years.

Mersky said Comunale showed him the manuscripts for the books.

“I commented on some of the

## Closing Reception

The TaBois-Bonhomme Galerie will start the New Year with a single event in January: The Closing reception for the current exhibition, “Different Time, Different Places,” paintings by David Carlson, will be held on Jan. 10, from 2 to 6 p.m.

In addition, musician Dan Laut will serenade the guests, and fellow musicians are welcome to join him in creating joyful sounds, so bring your musical instrument of choice; there is a piano in the gallery.

After Jan. 10, gallery hours will be by appointment only while the gallery's Web site is being updated and its online presence expanded. TaBois-Bonhomme Galerie is located at the Regency at McLean, 1800 Old Meadow Road, Suite 113, McLean, VA 22102, call 703-442-7588 or e-mail [ctabois@metronets.com](mailto:ctabois@metronets.com); [www.ctabois.com](http://www.ctabois.com).

language and construction of what he was saying and doing,” Mersky said. “I didn't expect it to come from my doctor.

“I think it's great,” he said. “He deserves to have it published. He's putting together a collection of writings that are human. Yet it's very omniscient, because you're overlooking what the main characters are seeing and doing.”

Nevertheless, Comunale said book signings are fond to him.

**ALL OF HIS BOOK SIGNINGS** took place at Galerie d'Art.

“[Cecila] was the first person to offer me a venue for my book signing,” he said. “She has a rather unique place, too.”

Comunale is working on other books “Dr. Galen's Little Black Bag” and “Circles.”

Cecila TaBois, the artist and curator of Galerie d'Art, said so many people who come to McLean think of Tysons Corner.

She said people are always in a hurry.

“I want [the gallery] to be a refuge,” TaBois said. “It's a refuge, a place where people can come converse, get a glass of wine, tea and just relax.”

TaBois said her goal for the gallery is to promote arts and culture.

## Oakcrest Freshman Wins Irish Dance Competition

**O**akcrest School freshman and McLean resident, Tory Zehnder, placed first in the Southern Region Oireachtas, or Irish Dance competition, qualifying her for worlds. Out of 104 girls competing in the U15



**Tory Zehnder**

division, Zehnder was one of 52 selected for recall, ultimately winning the championship.

The regional competition took place Dec. 6 in Orlando, Fla., and dance schools from Texas to Maryland competed. Zehnder expected to make it into the top 10 this year, but never believed she would win first. “I've always tried to do as well as I can, but it was a huge shock,” she said.

Placing first qualifies Zehnder for competing at the nationals and worlds events.

Zehnder's dancing began in kindergarten. Until middle school it was just another activity, but after switching to the Broesler School of Irish Dance in Baltimore in sixth grade, she realized how much she enjoyed dancing. She dances in monthly competitions and performs for

annual St. Patrick's Day events. Even though it is hard to stay balanced with academics and friends, Zehnder plans to continue dancing throughout high school. She has practices twice a week, sometimes for as long

as five hours, but before a competition practices every day. “It's fun to dance even though it's a lot of work and tiring. While I'm in class, I ask myself why am I still dancing? But if I give it up for a week, I miss it,” she said.

Zehnder's recent competitions with the Broesler School include the 2007 regionals competition where she placed fifth, the 2007 nationals competition where she placed 22nd out of 150 and the 2007 worlds competition in Belfast, Ireland, where she made it into the top half. This year, worlds will be held in Philadelphia in April instead of the traditional location of Ireland. She hopes to receive a recall this year. Nationals will take place in Tennessee in July. Zehnder's next competition will be in February at All Irelands, an invitation-only event.

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1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean VA 22101  
703-790-0123/TTY: 711  
[www.mcleancenter.org](http://www.mcleancenter.org)

# FAITH

Faith Notes are for announcements and events in the faith community. Send to [greatfalls@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:greatfalls@connectionnewspapers.com). Deadline is Friday.

**McLean Women's Bible Study Thursday Bible Study** begins Jan. 8 at 9:15 a.m. The Book of Proverbs will be the focus for the next 12 weeks. All are welcome. Contact Martha Wiles at 703-448-2020 or [MarthaWiles@msn.com](mailto:MarthaWiles@msn.com).

**Great Falls United Methodist Church Celebrate Recovery Ministry** begins Wednesday, Jan. 14 at 6 p.m. A 45-minute contemporary-style service with music, prayer, and biblically-based messages, followed by coffee fellowship. 10100 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. 703-759-3705.

**Great Falls United Methodist Church** is at 10100 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. 703-759-3705.

All Things New, an ecumenical worship service every Wednesday beginning Jan. 14 at 6 p.m. Based on the Beatitudes of Jesus, for people affected by anger, fear, stress, dealing with rejection, credit abuse, drug/alcohol abuse, physical/sexual addiction or eating disorders.

Christian Unity Month Ecumenical Service, Jan. 18 at 7 p.m. Guest speaker Angelo Maker, will discuss his experience as a Lost Boy of Sudan, his faith and life in America.

**The "Third Wednesday at One" recital series with organist Charles Miller**, on Wednesday, Jan. 21 at 1 p.m. at Saint Luke Catholic Church, 7001 Georgetown Pike, McLean. Free admission. 703-356-0670 or [www.musicinmclean.org](http://www.musicinmclean.org).

**Vajrayogini Buddhist Center** offers ongoing classes on meditation and Buddhist philosophy, Mondays at 7 p.m. at Unity of Fairfax, 2854 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton. \$10 per class. 202-331-2122 or [www.meditation-dc.org](http://www.meditation-dc.org).

**The Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax**, at 2709 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton chorale, a 60-voice adult choir, welcomes new members any time and meets Thursdays, 7:15 p.m. The Circle of Music Makers meets the first Monday of the month, for those who can share a vocal or instrumental solo. Contact Judy Harrison at 703-281-4230, ext. 26, or [jharrison@uucf.org](mailto:jharrison@uucf.org). Joint Activities in Music at Sunrise is for preschoolers, kindergarteners, parents and residents of Hunter Mill Sunrise Assisted Living Center, on Wednesdays, 1-1:30 p.m. Contact Marsha Giusti at 703-425-1902 or [giustim@juno.com](mailto:giustim@juno.com).

**McLean Bible Church Fitness Class** at Body & Soul fitness. Balance is key, energy is renewed, strength is gained, and friendships are formed. Mondays 9:15 a.m. and Fridays 9:45 a.m. Childcare is free for registered students. E-mail [bodyandsoul@mcleanbible.org](mailto:bodyandsoul@mcleanbible.org) for more information.

A **Centering Prayer Group** meets Fridays, 9:30 a.m. at Andrew Chapel United Methodist Church, 1301 Trap Road, Vienna. The hour includes a brief reading related to Centering Prayer, followed by a 20-minute prayer period. E-mail Martha Thomas at [mmthomas211@hotmail.com](mailto:mmthomas211@hotmail.com) or call the church at 703-759-3509.

**St. John's Episcopal Church** supports over twenty outreach ministries,

including SHARE, Habitat for Humanity, Martha's Table, and the Gen. Colin L. Powell Leadership Club at Macfarland Middle School in Washington D.C. Services at 7:45 a.m., 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. St. John's Episcopal Church, 6715 Georgetown Pike, McLean. 703-356-4902 or [www.stjohnsmclean.org](http://www.stjohnsmclean.org).

**The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington** and the Jewish Outreach Institute offer the Mothers/Parents Circle, an umbrella of free educational events and resources.

Jewish rituals, ethics and the creation of a Jewish home, regular meetings and group Shabbats and holidays. Participants include Sha'are Shalom, Congregation Beth Emeth, Temple Rodef Shalom and the Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia. ShalomDC.org.

**The Jewish Social Services Agency**, 3018 Javier Road, Fairfax, offers a variety of family programs. **Call 703-204-9100.**

♦ **Just Chill: An Anxiety Management Group**, for ages 8-10. Wednesdays through Feb. 18 at 6 p.m.

♦ **Teen Talk: An Adolescent Adoption Series**, for ages 13-18. Tuesdays through Dec. 23 at 7 p.m. Pre-registration required.

♦ **Support Group for Parents of Young Adults with Asperger's Syndrome and Related Disorders**. Jan. 28 at 7 p.m.

♦ **Social Club for Young Adults with Asperger's Syndrome**. Call for a schedule of events and costs.

♦ **Starting Over: A Widow and Widower Support Group**, meeting the third Monday of every month, at 1 p.m.

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Friday, January 9, 2009  
9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.  
An independent, Catholic, college preparatory school for young women, grades 6-12  
[www.holychild.org](http://www.holychild.org)  
9029 Bradley Boulevard Potomac, Maryland 20854 301.365.0955

## OPEN HOUSES

Saturday/Sunday January 10 & 11

When you visit one of these Open Houses, tell the Realtor you saw it in this Connection Newspaper. For more real estate listings and open houses visit [www.ConnectionNewspapers.com](http://www.ConnectionNewspapers.com), click the Real Estate links on the right side.

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**LATER THIS MONTH**

Great Falls					
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# 101 WAYS TO HAVE FUN

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## Let a Ranger Be Your Guide

Great Falls National Park, McLean  
9200 Old Dominion Drive  
703-285-2965

Ranger-led programs are offered throughout the year. These educational programs are a great way to explore the park for school groups, scout groups and more. For a schedule, call the park or visit its Web site at [www.nps.gov/grfa](http://www.nps.gov/grfa). Individual passes to the park cost \$3, and a vehicle pass costs \$5.



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### Scenery in Riverbend Park.

## Tour by Kayak

Riverbend Park  
8700 Potomac Hills St., Great Falls  
703-759-9018

Riverbend Park offers a number of kayak tours between June and September on a variety of topics. Most tours are designed for beginners. These are not whitewater tours. Introduce yourself to the world of kayaking, get some exercise and, most of all, enjoy the natural beauty of the river and wildlife. All instructors are certified with the American Canoe Association. Visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/riverbend](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/riverbend).

## Take the Family to Great Falls Grange Park

9818 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls.

Great Falls Grange Park offers facilities for family fun including baseball and softball fields, a picnic area with a pavilion and a small tot lot. The Grange Hall was built in 1929 and serves as a center for town events; however it can be used for weddings, parties and meetings, as it is a two-story structure with a stage and kitchen. Call 703-750-1598.

## Lewinsville Park

Chain Bridge Road, McLean.

Lewinsville Park offers a fun and healthy atmosphere for kids and adults alike to run and play. Football fields, basketball and tennis courts, and hiking and fitness trails are available. Playgrounds are available for young children.

## Playtime at Linway Terrace Park

Linway Terrace, Kirby Road, McLean.

A host of possibilities for fun await you at Linway Terrace Park. Whether you'd like to play sports on one of the basketball/tennis courts and baseball/soccer fields, stroll on one of the trails, or show your kids a good time on the playground, Linway Terrace will fill

your outdoor fun needs.

## Stroll Through Meadowlark Gardens

Meadowlark Gardens Regional Park  
9750 Meadowlark Gardens Court,  
Vienna  
703-255-3631

Meadowlark Gardens Regional Park features open-water ponds, gardens, hiking trails and picnic areas. With its eye-catching landscape, weddings can be booked at this park. Visit [www.nvrpa.org/parks/meadowlark](http://www.nvrpa.org/parks/meadowlark).

## Play Sports at Nottoway Park

9601 Courthouse Road, SW,  
Vienna

Nottoway Park features tennis, basketball and volleyball courts, along with picnic areas and fitness trails. A family could easily spend the whole day here. In September, make sure to mark the calendar for the Carnival at Nottoway Park, an event sponsored by the Vienna-Tyson's Chamber of Commerce. Visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov).

### EATS

## Have a Taste of the Irish

The Old Brogue  
760-C Walker Road, Great Falls  
703-759-3309

Opened in 1981 on St. Patrick's Day, The Old Brogue Irish Pub offers a variety of music. Open mic night is on the first and third Thursdays of every month, concerts are held regularly. In addition to traditional American fare, the pub doesn't shy away from its heritage, as the menu has an entire section dedicated to "Irish Specialties." Some dishes included are the Dublin strip, a black angus steak with Irish whiskey sauce, Guinness beef pie and Irish bangers. Visit [www.oldbrogue.com](http://www.oldbrogue.com).

## Pick Up Local Produce

Great Falls Farmers Market  
Great Falls Village Centre  
Intersection of Walker Road and  
Georgetown Pike

As of last year, Great Falls has its own farmers market, offering locally grown

produce and other homemade foodstuffs. The farmers market is open every Saturday from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m., March through November, in the Village Centre parking lot.

## Italian Dinner and Music

Da Domenico Ristorante Italiano  
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## SPORTS

# One Great Night of High-School Basketball

Highlanders, Saxons gave fans an evening's worth of thrills.

BY NICK CAFFERKY  
SPECIAL TO THE CONNECTION

For students from both Langley and McLean high schools, the Friday before winter break has become a holiday of its own. The varsity girls-boys basketball doubleheader never seems to disappoint and this year was no exception.

The twin bill, played Dec. 19, at McLean, was split with the Highlanders taking the girls game, 35-31, and Langley snagging the boys game, 50-47, in a dramatic double overtime thriller.

**IN THE FIRST** game — the girls contest — both teams showed their nerves with several early turnovers. However, McLean quickly overcame its jitters with senior guard Caity Flint leading the way. The Highlanders started the game with a 9-2 lead in which Flint had five points and an assist. McLean would extend that lead to 20-6 by the end of the first quarter, a lead they would not relinquish on way to the victory.

For the rest of the game, Langley attempted to chip away at the lead slowly, but never could overtake McLean.

"I knew they would make a run in the second half, they are too good of a team not to," Mike O'Brien, McLean coach, said. "We talked about it and they did. It was just all about having a big enough lead to weather their storm."

The fourth quarter was a back-and-forth, low-scoring affair in which neither team seemed to want to take control. While Lan-



McLean junior guard Caitlin Baker (1) has the ball during the Highlanders' home game against Langley Dec. 19. Playing defense for Langley is junior Lindsey Watts.

gley was able to stay in it, the Saxons were not able to turn it into a one possession game.

McLean ultimately got the hard-fought win. Since then, the Highlanders have played well on way to a 7-3 overall record. They traveled to St. Petersburg, Fla., over the holidays where they took part in the Sun Coast Classic Dec. 26-29. There, McLean defeated both Clearwater Catholic, 49-31, and Mount Dora High, 54-31, before

losing to St. Thomas Moore of Canada, 50-33.

The win over Langley prior to the Florida trip put the Highlanders at 2-0 in Liberty District play. It also marked the first time that McLean has beaten the Saxons in their last four meetings.

McLean, in the win over the Saxons, was led by sophomore guard Andie Romness' nine points. Flint added seven points for the Highlanders and juniors Caitlin Baker

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The McLean **Highlanders wrestling team**, with only half of its starting lineup in place, took fifth place at the seven-team Wolverine Christmas Classic Tournament, held at West Potomac High School Dec. 30. McLean had one individual champion in Andy Chung (112-weight class) and three third-place finishers in Palmer Dickson (119), Austin Miller (125) and Marvin Garcia (130). Also placing for the Highlanders was Chase Mills (fourth at 152).

"I was so happy I made that shot, but I knew there were still 40 seconds left, so I had to get back on defense to make sure they didn't score."

— Derek Baker,  
Langley Senior Guard

and Melissa Wilson both contributed six points each.

Langley, which was 2-4 following the loss, received 11 points apiece from sophomore forward Audrey Dotson and senior guard Rachel Warrick. Junior guard Kristen Kody added six points.

**WHEN THE BOYS** took the court for the evening's nightcap game, the stands were already at full capacity and the stage was set. However, the game got started in the exact opposite fashion as the girls game. This time, it was Langley that jumped out to a quick 11-2 lead. The nine-point cushion wouldn't last long, though, as McLean's sharpshooters started to take aim and both teams went into the half tied at 19.

The second half was just as competitive as the first. McLean took the lead about halfway through the third on a three-point shot by senior guard Peter Brosnan. The Highlanders' lead got as large as five points in the fourth quarter. But the lead had evaporated when Langley senior guard Jack McLindon (seven points) hit a jump shot at the free-throw line to tie the game with less than a minute to go. Langley had a chance to win the game in the closing seconds, but senior guard Barrett Hunter (15 points) slipped on his drive to the basket and the game was sent to overtime.

In a private school meet held on Dec. 12, the **Madeira girls swim and dive team** defeated Georgetown Visitation, 110-76. With the team win, Madeira, under coach Rod Montrie, improved its record to 2-0. Event winners for Madeira were Alex Psaris (200 freestyle and 500 freestyle), Whitney Chronister (200 individual medley and 100 breaststroke), Renee Mattox (50 and 100 freestyle) and Christa Ann Saunders (100 butterfly and 100

"The play I drew up was to isolate Barrett because we thought he had a good matchup and he was playing pretty well," said Langley coach Travis Hess, of that final Langley possession of the fourth quarter. "However, he waited a little too long to make his move and slipped, so we ended up not getting a shot."

In the first overtime, defense prevailed just like it did in the majority of regulation. Neither team got into any kind of rhythm and both teams managed just four points with Langley coming up with the stop at the end of the first OT.

Finally, after the frustrating first overtime, Langley star forward Derek Baker (10 points) hit a three-pointer to give the Saxons a one-point lead with 40 seconds left in the second five-minute overtime. Baker struggled throughout much of the game, but was the hero at game's end.

"I was so happy I made that shot, but I knew there were still 40 seconds left, so I had to get back on defense to make sure they didn't score," Baker said.

With the win, Langley advanced to 5-0 for the first time under Coach Hess, while McLean dropped to 2-4. Both teams will meet again Jan. 23 at Langley to add another chapter to this rivalry.

"The only times we were in control of the game were at the beginning and the very end," Hess said. "[McLean] played better for a lot of the game and it definitely feels like we stole one."

McLean's Brosnan led the Highlanders with 15 points, while Sean Fitzgerald netted 11 and Phil Bouchard 10.

This Friday night, the Langley boys will host Jefferson. The Langley girls, meanwhile, will play at Jefferson.

The McLean boys will travel to Madison this Friday night, while the Highlander girls will host the Warhawks at home.

backstroke).

Second-place finishes came from Hanna Bartram (500 freestyle) and Melissa Berkowitz (50 free and 100 breaststroke). Sophomore Olivia Whitten anchored two relays that finished first and third. Seniors Clare Harris and Alex Puritz stepped up to swim in the 100 butterfly and divers Jen Dussault and Tessa Newland took second and third, respectively.

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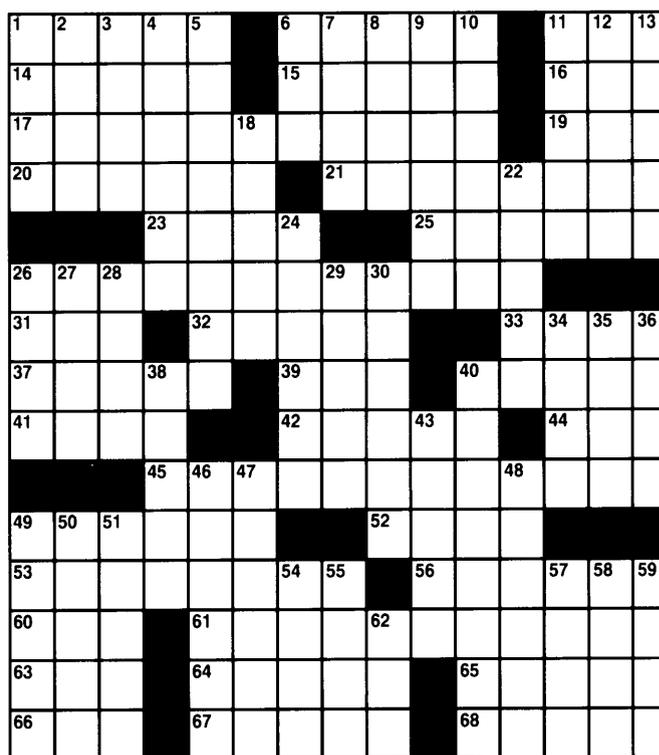
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- 11 Rapsallion
- 14 Outdo
- 15 Station
- 16 Postal creed word
- 17 Embarrassed person's nickname?
- 19 John —
- 20 Made some lace
- 21 Elusive
- 23 Monogram ltr.
- 25 High points
- 26 Well-fed baby in a multiple birth?
- 31 "Shell and Head" sculptor Hans
- 32 "Love — Around" (1968 Troggs hit)
- 33 Action after a default
- 37 Reprimand
- 39 Air show formation
- 40 Vetoed
- 41 French door part
- 42 Related on the mother's side
- 44 Skater Midori
- 45 One who dropped a pill on the floor?
- 49 Cigar
- 52 Word with work or Web
- 53 Procrastinator's refrain
- 56 "Peer Gynt" composer et al.
- 60 Actress Hagen
- 61 Shakespearean sunburn victim?
- 63 "Like, I get it"
- 64 Heart chambers
- 65 Cleo or Frankie
- 66 — City (Saratoga Springs nickname)
- 67 Adjusts
- 68 Scoffing look

## DOWN

- 6 "Silent Spring" topic
- 7 Judges
- 8 Notorious '95 hurricane
- 9 Like bees and ants
- 10 Treeless plain
- 11 Kind of card
- 12 Melba, for one
- 13 Emulates raptors
- 18 Revamps, in a way
- 22 Kind of dish
- 24 Tour
- 26 Woodworking tool
- 1 Old-style auxiliary verb
- 2 Ancient terrace farmer
- 3 Pants part
- 4 "Third Rock From the Sun" co-star
- 5 Magnificent

- 27 Cetacean killer
- 28 Atop
- 29 Actress Graff
- 30 Kilt features
- 34 Get away
- 35 Tennis's Sampras
- 36 Radon lacks it
- 38 "Unhand me!"
- 40 Muted tones
- 43 Chicken cut
- 46 Lifesaver, at times
- 47 Dress down
- 48 Marcus's retail partner
- 49 Lath perpendiculars
- 50 Tally
- 51 Brando's birthplace
- 54 Pod vegetable
- 55 Milldam
- 57 Composer Siegmeyer
- 58 Item in a pool
- 59 Song ending
- 62 German article

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