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Will Maloney stands next to the jukebox he revived in the Langley High School cafeteria. The parents of a graduate killed in a car wreck donated the machine to the school 21 years ago.

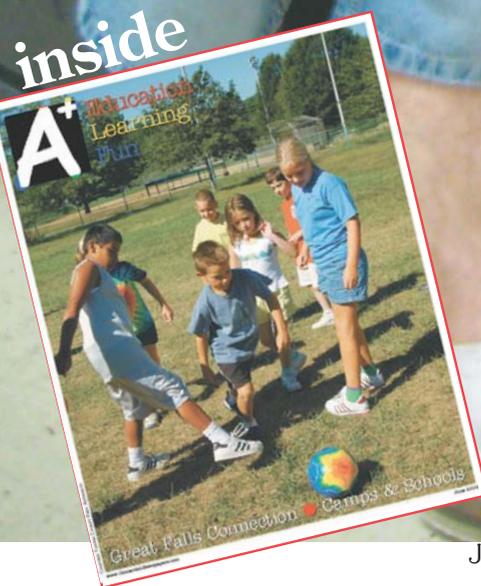
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Will Maloney works on the jukebox's music selection.

## Jukebox Reconnects Langley to Past

High school student revives history, reminding of former student struck down.

**W**ith a single act, Langley High School graduating senior Will Maloney made a gift to the school's class of 1987, as well as the classes yet to come.

For 21 years, an old-fashioned jukebox has sat in the school's cafeteria. Accounts vary as to when it last worked. Above the machine is a picture of Amy Edgerton, who died in a car crash just days after graduating

known as the Jukebox Hero," said James Meek, who graduated with Edgerton, noting that Maloney had received nothing in return for his efforts to repair the machine and wouldn't even be at the school to enjoy it next year. "They were thrilled to hear about it," he said of his classmates. "They haven't forgotten Amy."

**MALONEY** said his mother and sister met a woman at a dress store in Falls Church who had graduated from Langley not long after Edgerton's death. After learning that Maloney's sister had attended the school, the woman asked about the jukebox and related the story behind it, which Maloney's mother relayed to him. "I was really touched by it," he said. "I thought it was a really interesting story and I wanted to see it put right."

When he ran unsuccessfully for class president, he made the jukebox's repair part of his platform. Then, early this spring, he said, he made it a personal goal, realizing that if he didn't get the machine fixed no one else was likely to do so.

He found a repairman who specializes in repairing coin-operated amusements and got a price estimate of \$360. He then went

to the student government, the PTSA and the Senior Committee looking for help with covering the cost. Although he said some members of each organization were "all geeked up for it," he said, he was unable to find support until he mentioned the idea to Langley Principal Matt Ragone.

"He seemed so jazzed about this," Ragone said. "It was nice to see him so excited about doing something good for the community, so I wanted to encourage that." He told Maloney he would match half the money out of his own pocket.

Maloney raised his half in just three days, soliciting donations at school. "There were so many people that donated. It was incredible. I couldn't believe it," Maloney said.

On the Friday before Memorial Day, the resuscitated jukebox played its first song in years. At full volume, Queen's "We Are the Champions" reverberated through the school so loudly that Maloney's mother told him she could hear it from the other end of the building.

However, the machine had needed a new motor, so the cost of the repair had been more than expected. Maloney mentioned this to Ragone, who told him he would take care of the difference. "I thought, 'Wow, what a very, very nice guy,'" Maloney said.

The next Monday morning, he demonstrated the repaired machine, cranking up

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## Comstock Raises More Money Than Other Candidates Do in 2009

Republican delegate candidate Barbara Comstock has raised more money over the past six months than any other person vying for one of the 100 seats in the Virginia House of Delegates this year.

According to the Virginia Public Access Project, only nine delegates — all incumbents who are in leadership positions or facing tough re-elections — have managed to raise more money than she has overall. The nine delegates ahead of Comstock in fund raising have also been soliciting donations since 2008, approximately twice as long as she has.

Comstock, a McLean resident, is challenging incumbent Del. Margaret Vanderhye (D) for her 34th District seat, which includes Great Falls and parts of McLean. Two years ago, Vanderhye, also a McLean resident, won the seat over Republican challenger Dave Hunt, with 51.5 percent of the vote.

Comstock has collected \$203,860 overall compared to Vanderhye's \$143,492, despite the fact that incumbents usually enjoy a financial advantage over challengers.

With \$130,000 in the bank at the end of May, Comstock had also spent less money than Vanderhye, who had approximately \$91,000 available.

Comstock can tap into a national network of political donors and fund raisers who might not normally donate to a Virginia delegate campaign. She is the former head of research at the Republican National Committee, where she focused on investigating scandals in the Clinton Administration and was a political consultant to Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney's campaign.

Comstock, who worked for U.S. Rep. Frank Wolf (R-10) in the early 1990s, also served as a Justice Department spokesman under Attorney General John Ashcroft and worked as counsel for the House Government Reform and Oversight Committee.

— JULIA O'DONOGHUE

### GALLERIES

**Photographs by Ed Behrens**, a member of Great Falls Studios, will be featured through June 30 in Katie's Coffee at the Old Brogue, 760 Walker Road, Great Falls. The exhibit, entitled "People, Places and Things," features a collection of images principally reflecting international travel.

# Arts Blossom At Riverbend Park

Christine Lashley wins first place award.

On Saturday, June 6, the fourth annual “en plein-air” paint-out took place at Riverbend Park. Dan and Jan Laytham sponsor the entire competition donating \$2,000 in prize money for the first and second place winners. Jack Warden selected artists, after an entrance fee is paid, and 25 participants were chosen. Artists arrived as early as 5 a.m. with a blank canvas and painted any scene they chose from the park until 12:30 p.m., when works were submitted for judging. Lorian Signori, a participating artist, enjoyed painting at the Riverbend Park. “The park is beautiful, quiet, and everything you could want from the outdoors,” she said. “It blows me away that this is my job.”

Pat Cloates, a Fairfax County employee, read about the event in the Fairfax County Newsletter. “This is my first time coming to Riverbend Park, and watching these artists has inspired me to take some art classes,” she said.

Armand Cabrera, a previous participant and contest winner two years ago, judged all of the artists’ work. His art can be found in galleries across the United States. “The best part is getting people to come out and express themselves in the limited amount of time,” said Cabrera, of his passion for “en plein-air” art. They then are able to convey a particular moment or experience.”



Dan and Jan Laytham, the sponsors of the Paintout.

Diane Burket, Cabrera’s agent, discussed her appreciation at Virginia’s encouragement of the arts in the parks. “Armand and I moved from California where artists are not allowed to paint in the parks. We call Virginia the ‘yes state’ because it is so open. We were like ‘can you really paint in the park?’” she said.

After observing the artwork, Cabrera presented five awards: third place (Lisa Kyle), second place (Hiu Lai Chong), first place (Christine Lashley), “Award for Color” (Lynn Mehta), and “Honorable Mention for Composition” (Tess Olson).

— CAROLINE ADAMS

# PTA President Is a ‘Survivor’

With support of friends and family, Alison Regen is finalist for TV show, declines participation.

BY MIKE DICICCO  
THE CONNECTION

For five years, Alison Regen applied to appear on each season of the “Survivor” television series. She tried listing a different occupation for herself each time, from stay-at-home mom to shepherd, but the one that finally got her a call back was “PTA president.”

Regen, a Great Falls resident, president of Cooper Middle School’s Parent Teacher Association, and former president of Colvin Run Elementary School’s Parent Teacher Organization, ended up being one of the final 36 possible contestants who flew out to Los Angeles in late April to try out for this season’s show.

“The word ‘survivor,’ to me, resonates and means something to me, so I’ve kind of tried to prove something every time I applied,” she said. Regen will not appear on the coming season of “Survivor,” but she said she had demonstrated to herself what she set out to prove.

Regen is one of only two women who play in a male-dominated local outdoor soccer league and is known among her friends for her love of athletics and for making bets and dares.

“Allie loves a challenge — creates a challenge when there is no challenge,” said her friend Nancy Keane.

In the video portion of her latest application to the competitive reality show, Regen issued a challenge of sorts to the show’s producers, imitating Jack Nicholson’s climactic courtroom tirade from “A Few Good Men”: “You want me on that show. You need me on that show!”

OUT OF THOUSANDS of applicants, she was one of 500 who were invited last November to try out in New York City, where she was given a handler and interviewed in hours of video. Keane and another friend, Linda Abravanel, came along on the trip, even though Abravanel’s employer, Wachovia Bank, was to be bought out that day, possibly putting her job at risk.

“I wouldn’t miss it for anything because she’s dynamite. She deserves to be on there,” Abravanel said.

After the New York interviews, the producers told Regen they probably weren’t interested, but they kept the tape of her interviews. She got another call in March, asking her to come to Los Angeles as a finalist.

She immediately started survival training with a Navy SEAL. “So I learned how to pretty much survive in the wilderness,” she said. She learned to start a fire, find her way by the stars and get by with nothing but a trash bag.

Before leaving, she consulted with Cooper Principal Arlene Randall and assured her she wouldn’t do



Cooper Middle School PTA President Alison Regen, who nearly appeared on the ‘Survivor’ TV show, poses with the family that took priority over the show. From left are Mackenzie, Alison, Connor, Zach and Peter Regen.

anything crazy on the air. Randall was supportive, she said.

She was allowed to take one personal item on the show with her, and she chose a football signed by her friends and family. “One thing that I get such pleasure from is throwing a ball,” she said, adding that the choice confused the group in Los Angeles. “They were like, ‘Why does a woman want a football?’”

She also managed to sneak in one more item. She was allowed to bring jewelry and friend Roberta Roberts found her a necklace with a magnifying glass pendant covered in a water-soluble glaze. In a pinch, Regen could dissolve the glaze and use the glass to start a fire.

“I never could have gotten on that plane without this support group,” Regen said.

Upon her arrival, she got a medical examination and was confronted with a battery of

physical and psychological challenges. “I don’t know how people who are out of shape can do it, based on what I’ve been through,” she said, but she couldn’t say much else about the experience because the season has not yet aired.

“They nicknamed her Radar because they knew she’d fly under the radar until the end,” Abravanel said, noting that Regen was more inclined to forge compromises and help others than cause drama. She said she was sure her friend would have been one of the last four contestants standing if she had gone on the show.

But that was not to be. “Saturday night in L.A., I went back to my hotel room by myself, and I was really at peace with my decision that it really wasn’t a good fit. That I needed to go home to my family,” Regen said. “I think at that point, I was comfortable with the fact that I was a survivor.” She returned after four days away. Had she been a contestant on the show, she would have been gone for well over a month.

Her 14-year-old son Zach said the idea of his mother being a contestant on “Survivor” was exciting, but he added that he had been a bit concerned about how he and his siblings would get around and who would wake them up in the morning. “But I was worried more about her,” he said.

REGEN’S FRIENDS had already been fighting over who would get to look after which of her children while her husband Peter was at work.

Connor, 8, said he had thought it was “very cool” that his mother might be on television, although he too added that, while he would be sad if his mother didn’t get on the show, he would also be “kind of happy because she’d be home.”

Only 11-year-old daughter Mackenzie expressed no



Armand Cabrera presents the first place award to Christine Lashley.

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# Regen Takes on Next Challenge

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apprehensions. "I thought it was awesome," she said. "Who knows a mom that does that?" She said all of her friends were envious.

A few days after she returned home, Regen received a bouquet of flowers with a card reading, "Your family won. We lost."

"Nobody gets to tell you you're the big winner. Only you can do that," she said. "And that's the big lesson I got out of this. I was trying to get someone else to tell me I was the winner."

"She's such a role model for the rest of us," Keane said. "It's been a really great thing to show our kids. It breaks through the stereo-

types, and that's good for kids to see."

For her next challenge, Regen has signed up for a Marine marathon. Again, her friends will be there to support her, if not run alongside her.

"I'll be at the finish line," said Susan Grow.

"I'll be at the pre-party," Roberts said.



PHOTO BY MIKE DICICCO/THE CONNECTION

**Alison Regen and most of the group that supported her efforts. From left in back are Linda Abravanel, Lynne Lawhead, Leslie Anderson, Barbara Yosaitis, Susan Grow, Roberta Roberts and Camille Battaglia. In front are Bina Clark, Nancy Keane, Regen and Patti Hulett. Not pictured are Kaz Natal and McNair Bishop.**

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## Teen Safety in the Summer

Washington Regional Alcohol Program's tips for keeping teen drivers and passengers safe.

**P**roms and graduation season is upon us. Most schools have organized events that deter drinking and driving around these joyous times, although there have been tragic exceptions in recent years.

Two years ago, on June 14, 2007, four young women died in on the Beltway in Springfield; two of them had graduated earlier in the day from West Potomac High School, and police reported that alcohol was found in the car.

The summer continues to be the most dangerous time of year for teens and drinking and driving. WRAP's top tips for parents to deter underage drinking and drunk driving this summer include:

- ❖ **Talk.** Parents can have a significant — if not most significant — impact as to whether their teens will engage in risky behaviors including the use of alcohol. Talk openly to your teen about alcohol.

- ❖ **Provide structure.** The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse found that teen children of "absentee parents" were four-times more likely to abuse substances than children in structured homes.

- ❖ **Host a party.** Host a teen party in your own home following guidelines of no drugs or alcohol. Ask another parent to help chaperone; when a guest leaves, do not allow them to return; make your presence known; and if you suspect that a guest has used alcohol or drugs, contact their parents.

- ❖ **Instill self-confidence** in your teen by talking with them about peer pressure. At some point, your teen will be offered alcohol. As the National Institutes of Health points out, teens prefer quick "one-liners" that allow them to dodge a drink without making a big scene.

- ❖ **Lay down the law.** In Virginia, it's a crime to possess, transport or purchase alcohol if you're under 21. A new law went into effect

last year ensuring that teens convicted of driving after consuming virtually any amount of alcohol will lose their driver's licenses for a year.

- ❖ **Even if you know your teen won't drink alcohol,** make sure he or she also knows how to avoid getting in a car driven by someone who has been drinking.

- ❖ **Beware of your civil liability.** In most cases, it's unlawful for parents to allow their children's friends to consume alcohol in their home. If these same "friends" are later involved in a crash, the providing parents may be responsible for injuries, property damages and wrongful death. These same parents may also face criminal charges of contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

- ❖ **Be a role model.** Parents, themselves, should be good role models by making sure their behavior is appropriate. Use alcohol moderately, serve as a responsible host and never drink and drive.

- ❖ **If you suspect that your child is drinking,** intervene. Talk to your child and obtain qualified professional help if necessary.

For more, see [www.wrap.org](http://www.wrap.org).

### EDITORIAL

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## A Thank You For Kindness

To the Editor:

I live up in Northern Pennsylvania, 250 miles north of Philadelphia, and was in your Safeway in Great Falls on Friday, May 22. I had a basket full of a couple of bottles of wine, lots of cold meats, rolls, etc. (over \$100 worth). The gentleman at the cash register asked me if I had a local phone number, which I could not think of. The lady behind me stepped up and said "I do" and gave him her phone number. He said she saved me over \$10. She had no idea what that meant to me, as I was picking stuff up to take to my son's house for everyone, as he had just passed away that morning. I would like you to put this in your local paper as a thank you to her for me.

**George L. Buffum**  
Brackney, Pa.

## Hometown Celebration A Community Affair

To the Editor:

Do you know who sponsors the upcoming Great Falls Hometown Celebration on July 4th? Sharon Rainey's recent e-mail might incor-

rectly lead you to believe that her Neighbors Network sponsors this event. You might also think that proceeds from purchasing a T-shirt through her Web site got to support the Hometown Celebration. For the record, Great Falls Friends is the overall sponsor of all morning activities of the Great Falls Hometown Celebration and to the best of our knowledge, no funds from the Neighbors Network T-shirts will support our event.

Great Falls Friends sponsors the Hometown Celebration Kickoff Opening Ceremony at the Freedom Memorial. In addition, the Ecumenical Council hosts the 5K Walk/Run and GF Newcomers hosts the Baby Parade on the Village Green. Great Falls Friends then sponsors the parade, games and good following the parade; all the while a Blood Drive coordinated by the GF Volunteer Fire Department is held at the Fire Station. In the evening, Friends of the Fireworks sponsors the fireworks and games at Turner Farm. The entire day is truly a community effort.

Do you know how our event is funded? One of Great Falls Friends major sources of funding is the long-standing tradition of volunteers selling Hometown Celebration T-shirts to the community. We are asking the community to continue their support and purchase the official Great Falls Friends Hometown Celebration T-shirt. We gratefully acknowledge the follow-

ing local businesses for permitting Great Falls Friends to sell T-shirts: Katie's Coffee, the Farmer's Market, Cathy's Corner, GF Tavern on Friday/Saturday Night and the Old Brogue. For specific times and locations and general information about our organization, please visit [www.GreatFallsFriends.org](http://www.GreatFallsFriends.org).

Great Falls Friends is once again counting on the support of our Great Falls community. It is your support that makes our Hometown Celebration possible. Please support us by purchasing Great Falls Friends official T-shirts. We look forward to your participation in all of our Hometown Celebration activities.

**Julie Casso**  
Great Falls Friends  
4th of July Hometown Celebration Co-Chair

## Include the Poor In Poverty Taskforce

To the Editor:

I have read extensively about the recently established Governor's Poverty Taskforce and Poverty Summit event held in Richmond on May 7.

I find it fascinating that not one person on the task force is poor himself or herself. It's almost as if we should not know what the poor themselves think or as if they have nothing to contribute.

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## TUESDAY/JUNE 16

**Rasta Thomas' Bad Boys of Dance**, 8:30 p.m. SEE CALENDAR, PAGE 11



Friends and families came out for the first Great Falls Concert on the Green Sunday, June 7. Shown here are, top row, Mark Zavrel, Paul and Kerry Villella, Lily and Amy Zavrel; and, bottom row, Tommy Zavrel and Reese Villella.

## Enjoying Music on the Green

Great Falls Concerts on the Green bring families, friends together.

The annual Great Falls Concerts on the Green began Sunday, June 7 featuring Western Electric, a traditional country band that describes their music as "when country was country, the music that is the roots of

America". Western Electric is a local band that plays in Virginia and Maryland. Bennie Potter, a band member, relates the band's love of playing for the community saying, "It is up close and personal. We are able to meet lots of people." Potter said the



Paul and Sharon Brigner celebrate their 15th wedding anniversary.

## Upcoming Concerts

**Sunday, June 14, 6-8 p.m. - The Smallwood Brothers**, Sponsored by Maison du Vin  
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**Sunday, June 28, 6-8 p.m. - Rew Smith**, Sponsored by Newcomers of Great Falls, Dominion Title & Great Falls Friends

part (of the Concerts on the Green)," said Amy Zavrel, one of the many in audience. "The concerts get people together and help the local businesses. I especially love how band's meeting as a union through a wrong turn. "George Welling was traveling through Great Falls and came into the Tavern to ask directions. He met the current band members and the rest is history."  
 "The sense of the community is the best

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# Langley Boys Win State Lax Crown

Devlin nets game-winner in Saxons' win over defending state champion Chargers.

BY RICH SANDERS  
THE CONNECTION

**A**lex Devlin needed just over a minute of overtime to score a goal, lifting the Langley High boys' lacrosse team to a groundbreaking 4-3 win over Chantilly in the Virginia AAA state championship game played at Westfield High School Sunday night, June 7.

Devlin, a senior midfielder, got free with the ball off the

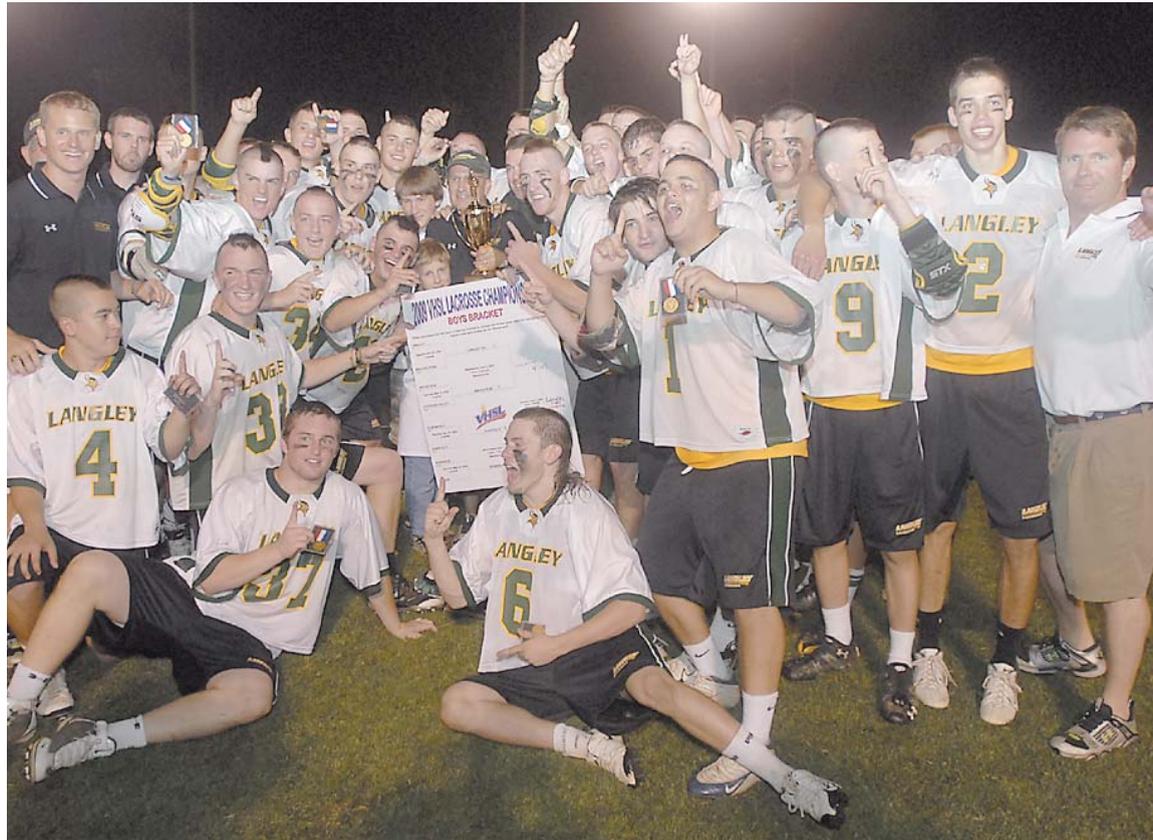


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Langley High boys' lacrosse team celebrates victory in the state championship game.

**"It's still setting in. I can't believe it. It seemed like the season was so long, but worth it."**

— Matt Cronin, Langley senior midfielder

right side and sent a sizzling, bouncing, 12-yard shot into the net to end the spectacular title game, played on a gorgeous summer night and in front of a large, boisterous crowd.

A spectacular on-field Saxon celebration followed the score, which gave Langley its first-ever state crown at the expense of the defending state champion Chantilly team.

"I love these players and I love this team," said long-time Saxon head coach Earl Brewer, who was hoisted onto the shoulders of Saxon defenders Thomas Robinson and Trevor Shafran during the emotional, postgame celebration. "I can't say enough about them. They're just great kids and understand what [this accomplishment]

means."

Langley (21-1) completed a picture-perfect 10-0 postseason, win-

ning the Liberty District tournament finals over Madison, a team that, during the regular season,

had handed the Saxons their only defeat, before eventually capturing the program's first region title

## Goalie Kuney Caps Outstanding Career in Net

Saxon senior at top of his game in state finals win.

**A**sk any coach, regardless of the sport, and they would all agree on one thing — defense wins championships. On Sunday night, June 7, nothing was more evident, as a strong Langley High Saxon defense was anchored by another great performance by senior goalie Galen Kuney, who helped Langley capture its first-ever state AAA title with a 4-3 OT win over Chantilly.

A three-year starter, Kuney had the best season of his high school boys' lacrosse career this spring, averaging over one goal less than last year. However, it was Kuney's big game experience and ability to perform in the clutch that was one of the biggest reasons Langley took home the title.

Although it was Langley's first

state finals game appearance, Kuney has played in many huge games during his high school career, including three district finals (2-1 record) and a Northern Regional final (1-0). Galen used that experience to tally 13 saves and grab 10 ground balls around the net in the win over the Chargers.

"I think that the experience, especially the regional finals [win over Robinson] that went into double OT, helped us stay calm throughout the [state finals] game, especially after they tied it up with a minute left," said Kuney.

After three quarters of near perfect defense, allowing only one goal, Chantilly was able to score twice in the fourth quarter, including the equalizer with just 1:11 left in the game. However, Kuney regrouped and made a save on a tough shot right at the regulation

buzzer.

"I didn't want it to go into overtime because you never know what can happen there, but when they scored, I knew that I had to stay focused because there was still a minute left," Kuney said.

By winning the state championship, Kuney, along with his fellow seniors, joins the small group of players who can say they ended their high school career with a win.

"I was talking to the other seniors about how in previous years, the seniors ended their season on a down note with a loss," Kuney said. "It feels great to end our high school careers like this, especially in front of a lot of former players who came to watch."

— NICK CAFFERKY

with a championship game win over Robinson. At states, Langley reached the title contest with victories over Stafford's Brooke Point (Northwest Region) and Ashburn's Broad Run (Dulles District).

The state finals game against Chantilly marked the second meeting between the two Northern Region teams this postseason. The Saxons had also beaten the Chargers in the region semifinals.

"It's unbelievable to have won all three championships this year," said Langley senior goalie Galen Kuney, of the Saxons' district, region and state tourney crowns.

**LANGLEY**, which led the state finals game 2-1 at halftime and 3-1 after three quarters, got the better of the play most of the night, at times maintaining long possessions and outshooting Chantilly, 31-16.

But the seasoned defending champion Chargers would not fold, getting fourth quarter scores from Danny Abatemarco and Mike Turpyn, the latter goal dead-locking the game at 3-3 with 1 minute, 11 seconds remaining in regulation.

But in the 4 minute overtime session, Langley midfielder Matt Cronin won the face-off to begin the session to get his team possession. Following a Langley timeout, the Saxons set up their offense and began zeroing in on the net. The Saxons took several shots before Devlin, who 40 seconds earlier had just missed a good scoring opportunity on a shot off the right side, cashed in on the game-winner with 2:56 showing on the clock.

"We called timeout and set that play up," said Brewer of Devlin's goal. "[In his prior shot] Alex had shot a cannon and just missed it. I knew he wouldn't miss a second time. He's a great shooter."

Langley's goals in regulation had come from Joey Byrne, Ryan Ningard and Ethan Bailey. Saxon assists came from Devlin and Bailey. Kuney, the Langley goalie, earned the win in the net.

Chantilly goals came from Jared Golden, Abatemarco and Turpyn all were unassisted.

For Langley, a season's worth of hard work and high expectations finished in triumph.

"It's still setting in," said Cronin, a senior set to play lacrosse at Mary Washington University next school year. "I can't believe it. It seemed like the season was so long, but worth it."

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**Book Discussion Group.** 7:15 p.m. at the Dolley Madison Library, 1244 Oak Ridge Ave., McLean. Call for title. Adults. 703-356-0770.

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## THURSDAY/JUNE 18

**Murphy's Kids, The Independent and Feed God Cabbage.** 7 p.m. At Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

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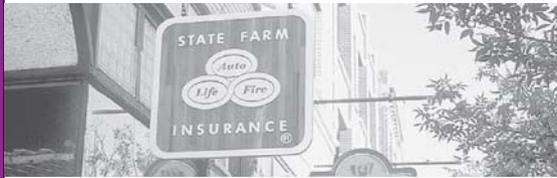
# Summer on the Green

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the events are family friendly and that kids are welcome." Other Great Falls residents said they came out to reminisce, like Sharon and Paul Brigner, who said, "We are celebrating our 15th wedding anniversary and we chose to come here because country music is what caused us to meet. We wanted to celebrate one of the reasons why we are together."

Many local businesses help sponsor the concerts for the summer. "We are a very fortunate community," said Christine Dziak, who assists in organizing the summer concerts. "We are a very fortunate community. Despite the economic hardships, which have affected so many of us including almost every local business and community organization, the Great Falls businesses and local organizations have stepped up yet again to fund the Great Falls Summer Concerts on the Green."

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Gubernatorial candidate Terry McAuliffe talks to reporters outside his polling place at Spring Hill Elementary School in McLean. McAuliffe was one of three Democrats vying to be the political party's nominee in a primary June 9.

# Voters Head to Polls, Low Turnout Expected

Fairfax County officials expect 5-percent turnout.

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE  
THE CONNECTION

Even though the polls had been open for 90 minutes, only 12 people had both ered to show up June 9, before 7:30 a.m., at the Great Falls Library and vote in the Democratic primary.

Typically, polling places experience a "morning rush" of people voting on their way to work. But that does not appear to be the case in the most recent election, where voters picked the Democratic Party's nominee for governor and lieutenant governor.

**"I want the one who is going to be a good match against McDonnell,"**

— Paul Honigberg of McLean

During the first hour the polls were open, only 20 people came to participate at the precinct in McLean's Spring Hill Elementary School. By 8:30 a.m., only 30 people had cast ballots at Lake Anne's polling station in Reston.

"We were expecting around 5 percent voter turnout. Right now, the

turnout is very light so we believe that 5 percent number is right on the mark," said Rokey Suleman, Fairfax County's registrar, on the morning of the primary.

This week, Charlottesville state Sen. Creigh Deeds, former Democratic National Committee chairman Terry McAuliffe and former Alexandria delegate Brian Moran faced off for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination.

Virginia's former finance secretary Jody Wagner and political operative Mike Signer competed for the political party's lieutenant governor nomination.

The Connection Newspapers went to press before the polls closed on Election Day. Results and local coverage of the primary can be found in next week's edition or at [www.connectionnewspapers.com](http://www.connectionnewspapers.com).

Of the few voters showing up, many said they had only chosen which candidate to support in the governor's primary over last couple of days.

"I decided who to vote for very, very recently. ... I just hadn't focused on the race before then," said Nan Dearborn, a Reston resident.

In the governor's primary, several people also said the candidate's ability to beat Republican gubernatorial candidate Bob McDonnell was a key part of their decision.

"I want the one who is going to be a good match against McDonnell," said Paul Honigberg of McLean.

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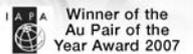
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By KENNETH B. LOURIE

The question was posed by my co-worker, Big John Smith, one night as I arrived at the office after hours to do a little organizing: "Hey Ken, how are you doing?" My answer: "John, I'm in pretty good condition for the condition I'm in." And the "condition" to which I refer is cancer. Yup, cancer as in the dreaded, often terminal, disease. (If only this column was going to be a light-hearted recounting of astrological antics but alas, poor Yorick, I know it well; it's not.)

No, this column is going to be about a health situation that I find myself in, quite unexpectedly, I may add. The situation to which I refer is as a recently diagnosed, stage IV lung cancer patient; at present, hairless and four "chemos" in to a six-chemo cycle, with no radiation to follow and surgery not an option. (There are two big tumors in my chest/lungs with multiple smaller ones located throughout so my oncologist feels that surgery would not exactly be a patient-friendly pursuit.)

My prognosis is not great (great, it's not even mediocre); 13 months to two years, although, as my doctor said to me recently, he's "wrong all the time." To which I replied, "I'm glad you're wrong all the time." Nevertheless, as a result of the seriousness of his prognosis, I have made a few changes. I have to tell you, though, if the shock of the diagnosis doesn't kill you; totally out of the blue, symptom free, and I'm a lifelong non-smoker (5 percent of lung cancer patients are non smokers) before the actual cancer does, you have, as Ricky Ricardo so often said to Lucy, "some 'splaining to do." And for the week or so after we (team Lourie: me, my wife and my brother) received the diagnosis, you're in a daze, and you can explain nothing; assembling/researching information, trying to sort out fact from fiction, find some chink in cancer's armor, navigate a path to a longer and healthier life, a life that only days before was not so abbreviated.

Moreover, when you recall what the oncologist told you in that initial team meeting; that you should probably quit work and maybe consider taking that vacation you always wanted to but never had the time or the inclination to take, your world officially changes. I remember sitting in the oncologist's office listening to him read through the reports of the various scans/tests/biopsies that I had and then to hear him summarize the diagnosis — and severity, I swear I felt like I was watching a Lifetime movie, a movie I saw at least a hundred times while spending three nights a week visiting my parents/then my widowed mother, except that this wasn't a movie, this was real, this was me. Surreal doesn't begin to describe it.

The best answer we could get from the doctor as to why a lifelong non-smoker with no relevant (meaning cancer) family history to speak of would be so diagnosed at 54 was, the medical version of s--- happens: "Cells mutate." And that's pretty much where the conversation ended. The oncologist's motivation was to go forward and attempt to treat/cure, not to go backwards and research the past, and it wouldn't change the course of my present so moving forward we did, and we have.

I'm going through chemotherapy. I've changed my eating habits; I'm now eating an alkaline diet, basically fruits and vegetables; I'm drinking alkaline water; taking a teaspoon of baking soda once a day; drinking my Mona Vie and supplementing it all with vitamins and minerals, and miscellaneous other homeopathic-type remedies. And so far, I'm doing pretty well, "Above average," my oncologist said. My first post-chemo CT scan showed "significant" shrinkage in the two largest tumors. In addition, I'm "tolerating" the chemotherapy very well which allows/enables my doctor to treat me as aggressively as is prudent given my health and fitness. And my health, all things considered, is fit.

And as I find myself saying to whomever expresses an interest, "If it wasn't for the underlying diagnosis and the side effects from the chemo therapy, I'd be doing great." Really.

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**Area volunteers help organize this year's Great Falls Charitable Golf Tournament.**

## Golf Tournament Supports Two Great Falls Schools

The Annual Great Falls Charitable Foundation Golf Tournament took place Monday, June 1, at Hidden Creek Country Club. This year's tournament benefited Forestville and Great Falls elementary schools. The Great Falls Charitable Foundation has been hosting a golf tournament since 1995 and was renamed in 1999 the John Metelski's Memorial Golf Tourna-

ment in honor of a former board member's contributions to the area. The Foundation raises funds for community nonprofit organizations. This year, it chose two of the local schools that face impending budget cuts. The two schools' PTAs helped plan and organize the event. The honorary chair of this tournament is Mike Kearney of the Old Brogue.

## Great Falls Girl Earns Karate Honor

On May 16, Beatrice J. Kelly-Russo, 9, of Great Falls passed her second-degree black belt test with an outstanding promotion from the World Champion Jeff Smith Karate School in Sterling. She started karate when she was 3 and earned her first-degree black belt when she was 6.

In order to pass the second-degree black belt test, she had to perform a rigorous physical fitness test, as well as a traditional form, a musical form, a weapons form, nine self-defense moves, three board breaks, 12 minutes of point and continuous sparring and write an essay on what she has learned from karate. Kelly-Russo received the outstanding grade because she broke two boards at once, made up a creative weapons form and made up creative self-defense moves. She also won the "Best Essay" award.

Kelly-Russo said she is proud of her achievement and encourages all girls, young and old, to learn the sport that provides physical fitness, self-discipline and self-defense.



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**Beatrice J. Kelly-Russo of Great Falls passed her second-degree black belt test.**

## SCHOOL NOTES

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**Saheba Nanda** of Great Falls graduated from the Foxcroft School on Friday, May 22, at the School's 95th commencement. She was one of 40 students from 11 states, three foreign countries and the District of Columbia, awarded diplomas by Head of School Mary Louise Leipheimer. Nanda, who plans to attend George Mason University in the fall, served as the



head of Special Friends, a group of students who regularly visit the elderly and infirm at the Leesburg Longterm Care Facility and as Old Girl-New Girl prefect. She also participated in Current Events & Debate, Drama Club and the School's literary magazine. Athletically, she played varsity volleyball and track. She is the daughter of Bhupinder Nanda and Manjeet Singh of Great Falls.

Great Falls residents **Alison Janet Servis** and **Alison Brooke Weckstein** graduated

from the University of Mary Washington summa cum laude with bachelor's degrees in German and political science, respectively.

**Soren de Vos** of Great Falls was named to the Dean's List at Florida Institute of Technology for the spring semester. A senior, de Vos is pursuing a bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering.

**Oakcrest School** graduated 26 young women Saturday, June 6, in the G. Lloyd Bunting Sr. Theatre at Oakcrest School. The members of the class of 2009 include:

Karina Noelle Dar Juan, Samantha Margaret Devers, Danielle Brigitte Douez, Nicole Paulette Francisco, Tracy Ann Frelk, Grace Ellen Gilday, Theresa Daez Herbert, Monica Theresa Herman, Sally Angeles Horton, Maria de los Angeles Kaufmann, Mary Eileen Kelly, Elizabeth Foran Kenis, Elizabeth Hayes Lent, Melissa Catherine Longano, Gina Catherine Maggio, Lucia Katherine Maher, Therese Eileen McCabe, Ann Marie McPherson, Jeanmarie Subia Melchert, Kathleen Chenya Ouyang, Kelly Elizabeth Riordan, Maria-Alessandra Catalina Roa, Mariah Jae Rollins, Veronika Pauline Staré, Grace Anne Samson

Tatlonghari and Claire Kathleen Yenson.

**Lt. Gen. John R. Allen**, Deputy Commander, United States Central Command and a 1971 Flint Hill School graduate, will be the guest speaker at Commencement ceremonies for the FHS Class of 2009 Friday, June 12, 10 a.m., on the Upper School campus.

**Luke Parker**, the son of Donald Parker of McLean was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree from Earlham College during commencement ceremonies on Saturday, May 9. Parker majored in Psychology.

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the Clash's "Rock the Casbah" to much dancing and celebration, he said. "Watching the smiles on everyone's faces when we tried it out was great."

**THE TONE** of a formal unveiling ceremony two days later was more somber. In attendance were Edgerton's family, a handful of members of the class of 1987 and friends who had helped with the repair effort.

"It's brought back a lot of memories — hard memories, but good memories," said Andrew Edgerton, who was 11 when his sister was killed. He said he and his family were "awestruck" that someone who had never met them or Amy Edgerton would go to the trouble to revive her memory. "It was hard on my mom and dad to go to the ceremony, but at the end of the day it was inspiring to them." He said he had heard stories about his sister at the ceremony of which he otherwise wouldn't have been aware.

Ragone said Maloney had organized the ceremony on his own, setting up chairs, procuring a microphone, writing a speech and inviting the Edgerton family and other guests. "It was pretty impressive the lengths he went to," Ragone said.

A moment of levity occurred when Maloney tried to play one of Amy Edgerton's favorite songs, Simple Minds' "Don't You (Forget about Me)" and instead ended up with Run DMC and Aerosmith's revisiting of "Walk This Way." Once he got the planned song playing, he said, "A couple of the older women there, when they heard it, they just started bawling."

Meek was one of the class members present at the ceremony. Because the machine was donated the year after the class graduated, this was the first that most of his classmates had heard of it, he said, noting that the general reaction on Facebook and other social Web sites was, "What? A jukebox with Amy's music in it? Still at Langley?"

He said he had not been close friends with her but remembered her as someone who stood out. "She was brilliant," he said. "She was a very pretty girl, very confident." He noted that she had been accepted by nine colleges and was to attend the University of Virginia the next year.

He said her death had been the latest in a string of drug- and alcohol-related traffic fatalities among Langley students and had galvanized the community to take action against student drinking and driving.

After the crash, in which Amy Edgerton was a passenger, police said alcohol appeared to have been a factor, although the allegation was contested and no one was convicted.

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— Andrew Edgerton

"The parents in the community just said enough is enough," Meek said, adding that attention turned to designated drivers and other prevention measures. He said drunk-driving fatalities among area students dropped off sharply after his classmate's death.

With prom and graduation season underway, Maloney said he hoped that revisiting the story would reiterate the message that irresponsible driving can have serious consequences.

**THE JUKEBOX**, which plays for free, is now in use daily at the school, particularly during morning break and lunchtime, Maloney said. While he kept much of the original music — songs by musicians like Billy Joel, Bob Marley and The Who — he said he swapped out some tunes to bring the jukebox up to date and provide more variety, adding bands like Guns N' Roses, Johnny Cash and Smashmouth. He said he planned to visit the school and rearrange the selection every so often in the future.

"It's been nice because I think it's brought a lot of people a lot of joy," Maloney said.

"Not a day goes by that I don't think about my sister," Andrew Edgerton said, adding that the ceremony had let him know that others still remembered her and thought of her as well. "It really means a lot to me and my family," he said.

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McLean Community Center Governing Board Chair Jan Auerbach, second from left, presents 2009 James C. Macdonald Scholarships to, from left, Sungmin Sohn (Music), Michael Robinson (Theater) and Jiwon Kil (Visual Arts) at the final competition on Tuesday, May 19, at The Alden Theatre.

# MCC Awards Fine Arts Scholarships

## Nine high school students honored.

The McLean Community Center (MCC) and the Alden Theatre awarded nine local high school students scholarships for successfully competing in the 2009 James C. Macdonald Fine Arts Scholarship Competition. MCC Governing Board Chairman Jan Auerbach presented the awards at the final competition-performance on Tuesday, May 19, in the Alden Theatre.

The James C. Macdonald Fine Arts Scholarship Competition encourages artistic achievement and promotes study in the arts by high school students who reside or attend school in the McLean district (Small Tax District 1A of the Dranesville District). Scholarship prizes of \$1,200 were awarded to students placing first in each of three categories: Music, Theater and Visual Arts. Second-place winners were awarded \$800 and third-place winners won \$400. A fourth category, Dance, did not attract the required number of candidates for the competition this year.

This year's winners were:

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#### THURSDAY/JUNE 11

**Home Buying Seminar.** 6:30 p.m., 1921 Gallows Road, Suite 360, Vienna. Learn the ins and outs of foreclosures, how to move into your next home with equity, how to increase your cash flow and more. Call 517-265-2434 to register.

**Model Investment Club.** 7 p.m., Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. Learn more about investing following

❖ Music - First Place: Sungmin Sohn, violin, sophomore, Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology; Second Place: Jessie Nucho, flute, senior, McLean High School; Third Place: Arthur Han, violin, senior, Langley High School.

❖ Theater - First Place: Michael Robinson, senior, McLean High School; Second Place: Oliver Hudson, freshman, British School of Washington; Third Place: Blythe Brady, junior, Bishop O'Connell High School.

❖ Visual Arts - First Place: Jiwon Kil, oil/mixed media, senior, Langley High School; Second Place: Kat Sommovigo, charcoal/wool/acrylic, senior, McLean High School; Third Place - Ivana Shim, acrylic/watercolor, junior, Langley High School.

Award-winning pianist and doctoral student Seyon Lee and local actor and director Tracey Stephens judged the music competition. Stephens and actor, composer and music director Matt Conner judged the theater finalists. The visual artists were judged by Peggy Feerick, associate professor and division coordinator of photography at George Mason University and Rebecca Kamen, an artist and professor of art at Northern Virginia Community College.

For more information, call the Alden Theatre at 703-790-0123/TTY: 711.

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#### SATURDAY/JUNE 13

**Babysitter Lessons and Safety Training.** 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m., McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. This American Academy of Pediatrics course provides current practices for safety and injury prevention while babysitting. The program provides extensive training in pediatric first aid, household safety and the fundamentals of childcare. Students must attend the entire session to receive their certificates. Bring a doll and a bag lunch. Grades 6-9. \$68/person, \$50/district residents. Call 703-790-0123.