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Al Woldin and Marguerite Adams of Great Falls dance at the Colvin Run Citizens Association's annual summer picnic in the Colvin Run Schoolhouse on Sunday. The association, which has existed to maintain the building and hold dances there since 1931, plans to expand this year.

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**Ann West of Oakton dances with Colvin Run Citizens Association President Conrad Heer of Annandale at the association's summer picnic, which kicks off the dance season.**

## Swinging into Another Year

**At kickoff picnic, dance hall group announces intent to expand programs, outreach.**

BY MIKE DICICCO  
THE CONNECTION

**A**l Woldin has lived in Great Falls for about 20 years, but he and his wife had never been in the Colvin Run Schoolhouse and didn't know what it was used for until a year ago. "I walked into this place and I said, 'Wow, I feel like I'm on the Hindenburg,'" he said at the Colvin Run Citizens Association's annual summer picnic last Sunday, Aug. 30. "I said, 'I want to do something for this place.'"

The citizens association, which exists to maintain and operate the building, was already a nonprofit organization, but Woldin, now the newest member of the group's board, just got it certified as a public charity as of late July.

Woldin's wife, Marguerite Adams, said she thought many in Great Falls didn't know what the schoolhouse was for.

**BUILT IN 1908**, the building on Colvin Run Road served as a school until the county closed all one- and two-room schoolhouses in 1930. The following year, the Colvin Run Citizens Association formed to purchase the school and has been hosting ballroom dances there ever since.

The annual, indoor potluck picnic was to kick off the season, said citizens association President Conrad Heer. In the past, the building did not have air conditioning, and farmers were busy working on their



**Though the historic white building on Colvin Run Road is a familiar sight to any Great Falls resident, many have never been inside and don't know that the old schoolhouse becomes a dance hall twice a week.**

**"There's nothing like it in the area."**

— Jean Rosenbluth

farms in the summer, so there were no summer dances. Although circumstances have changed, the citizens association still suspends its twice-monthly, Saturday-night ballroom dances for July and August.

However, the Argentinean tango and West Coast swing groups that rent the hall for monthly dances carry on year-round, and the citizens association began offering a weekly, Tuesday-night dance/lesson series as of July. There, one-hour dance lessons, including swing, hustle, shag, Latin, country two-step and others, are followed by dances.

Woldin said the board hoped to establish some youth-oriented dance programs and expand its community outreach over the coming year. He also said a bulletin board announcing events had been put out front of the

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## Mendelsohn Leads Fairfax County Chamber

**Former Dranesville Supervisor focuses on chamber's less political functions.**

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE  
THE CONNECTION

**T**he Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce's selection of Stuart Mendelsohn as their new chairman in June could be interpreted by some as a political maneuver.

Mendelsohn, a McLean resident, represented Dranesville on the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors from 1996 through 2003 and had previously served on the Fairfax County School Board. Before he left public office five years ago, several residents considered Mendelsohn a rising star in Northern Virginia's Republican Party and had encouraged him to run for Fairfax County chairman.

But Mendelsohn, a lawyer with Holland & Knight LLP in Tysons Corner, insists his new position with one of region's largest business organizations is not a political statement. He had been active in Fairfax chamber activities before he ever ran for elected office, he said.

"I am trying very hard not to be partisan," said Mendelsohn about his new role as the chamber's chairman.

**MENDELSON** wants to focus on some of the chamber's less political functions, such as increasing membership and networking opportunities. The Fairfax chamber has recently created a new staff position, the director of membership, to try and boost local businesses involvement and participation.

Mendelsohn wants the chamber to create more opportunities for local business people to interact across industries. People tend to network with others in their own field, even though they could learn a lot by branching out and meeting business people from other areas, he said.

The new chairman would also like to see multiple people from some of the county's larger employers participating in chamber activities. It is not only beneficial for chief executive officers or business owners to talk to each other but also for employees with similar positions, like those who run human resource departments, to



PHOTO BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE/THE CONNECTION

**Former Dranesville supervisor Stuart Mendelsohn is the new chairman of the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce.**

get to know each other.

"We think many business people are saying 'Hey, with this recession, I have to network more,'" said Mendelsohn.

Even if Mendelsohn's focus is on growing membership, the Fairfax chamber will still be heavily involved in political advocacy. It is the only Northern Virginia chamber that employs a full time lobbyist in Richmond, according to Mendelsohn.

**THE CHAMBER CHAIRMAN** described the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors as being mostly "business friendly" over the last 20 years, even though the board has been largely controlled by Democrats during that time. Virginia's state government has also created a pro-business environment by keeping taxes and regulation relatively low, he said.

Currently, Fairfax's business community is most concerned about the actions the federal government might take. Federal legislation like the "card check" bill, which would make it easier for unions to organize in a work place, or the "cap and trade" policy, which would further regulate emissions, would be detrimental to the business community, said Mendelsohn.

"These days, most of the threats to business are coming from Washington D.C.," he said.



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A scene from last year's Super H 5K.

# Run Walk and Wheel Returns

**McLean 5K inspired by Oak Hill man helps fund sports program for disabled.**

BY MIKE DICICCO  
THE CONNECTION

The first Super H 5K race in 2004 was to raise money to buy prosthetic legs for Oak Hill resident Harry Freedman, who had just lost his left leg in a workplace accident. Since then, the race, which will be hosted by the Tysons Corner Sport & Health Club in McLean this year on Sunday, Sept. 13, has raised money for the National Rehabilitation Hospital's BlazeSports Club for people with physical disabilities.

Freedman said he wanted to give back to the hospital that had taught him how to function again. He had arrived at the Washington, D.C. hospital just days after his amputation, doctors having spent almost two months trying to save his leg after it was run over by a front end loader at the business where he is the vice president, Auto Recyclers of Leesburg.

"I had no idea what the next step was," he said, adding that he had only wanted to get back to his usual regimen of running, biking and swimming as quickly as possible. "They sort of showed me the way at National Rehabilitation Hospital." He said the hospital had half a car set up to teach injured patients how to drive again and models of kitchens, bathrooms and banks, where patients could learn how to go about familiar tasks under the new circumstances of their injuries.

"They teach you how to live again," said his wife, Renie, noting that the hospital offered a combination of recreational, occupational and physical therapy. "They know what they're doing. They're great. They're really great."

**THE EVENT**, which has become a "run,

walk and wheel" race that invites people with physical disabilities to participate any way they can but is also a timed and certified 5K for serious runners, raised about \$40,000 to buy equipment for the hospital's BlazeSports program last year, said hospital media relations manager Derek Berry. Around 300 people participated.

BlazeSports, he said, provides sporting programs such as wheelchair basketball, soccer, sled hockey, quadriplegic rugby and various sports clinics for about 360 physically disabled individuals of all ages each year. "We do clinics all over the area from time to time and, in many cases, all over the country," he said, noting that the program often sends participants to competi-

**"He's an inspiration to everyone."**

— Jason Hall, general manager,  
Tysons Corner Sport & Health Club

tions like wheelchair sports tournaments in distant locations. Also, Berry said, the program works closely with military hospitals like Walter Reed Army Medical Center and the National Naval Medical Center, commonly known as the Bethesda Naval Hospital, to stage sports programs for injured veterans.

While companies such as Chicken Out, where Renie Freedman is a vice president of marketing, and the Darren Star Foundation, run by Harry Freedman's cousin, Hollywood scriptwriter Darren Star, sponsor the event, Berry said, the \$25 registration fee provides a good chunk of the proceeds. Also, ever since Freedman's accident, Chicken Out has put out collection boxes in all of its outlets that collect money for the National Rehabilitation Hospital throughout the month of September, Renie Freedman said.

"He's a member of our club and that's why we're running the race," said Jason Hall, general manager of Tysons Corner Sport & Health Club. Freedman, a lifelong athlete, had been a member of the club since it opened in 1980, Hall said. He said doctors had had to revive Hall repeatedly after his accident, yet he had gone on to remain ath-



Harry 'Super H' Freedman poses with his daughter Erin at last year's Super H 5K.

letic after losing his leg. "He's an inspiration to everyone."

Renie Freedman said her husband's friends and family, many of them members of the sports club, had inspired him as much as he inspired them in the months after his accident, during which time they began calling him "Super H." "He had this team of people coming to see him every day," she said. A friend of hers designed an H logo and made T-shirts for Freedman's supporters, as well as hospital staff, to wear.

She worked to organize the first race, and a crowd of people from the sports club visited Harry at the hospital to announce the event to him. "They've been wonderful. They open up the club to us and help promote [the race]," she said.

**EVERYONE** who registers for the race gets free access to the club for the rest of the day, and the business hosts a pool party with live music, catered by Chicken Out. "It's an event. It's not just a run," Harry Freedman said. A team of about 50 volunteers works to stage the affair, some of them working on it for eight months out of the year, he said.

He has participated in every race, using a hand cycle or, one year, a Segue. Last year, he walked it. This year will be the first time he breaks out his running leg for the event. "The running thing, I'm still working on that," he said, noting that the leg takes a lot of practice to master. Since his accident, he has ridden in a 100-mile bike ride and even learned to ski again, and he never stopped swimming.

Harry Freedman said using his accident to help other people with physical challenges gave some justification for the loss of his leg. "Being able to help out these people has become sort of a blessing," he said. "It's the most satisfying thing I can think of doing now."

His wife said they hoped to raise \$50,000 this year. "This makes all of us feel great, our friends and family, and we feel like we're reaching out and doing something," she said.

"We are doing something," said Harry Freedman.



Supervisor Linda Smyth (D-Providence), PRS President and CEO Wendy Gradison and Supervisor John Foust (D-Dranesville).

## PRS Tysons Officially Opens

More than 150 people attended the ribbon-cutting ceremony for PRS Tysons, formerly Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services, on Aug. 6 on Old Meadow Road in McLean. Fairfax County Supervisors Linda Smyth (D-Providence) and John Foust (D-Dranesville), State Del. Ken Plum (D-36) and PRS Chairman of the Board Richard Brewster helped PRS President and CEO Wendy Gradison cut the ribbon officially opening PRS Tysons.

PRS staff and clients were joined by friends and supporters who wanted to see, first hand, the new programs that emanate from PRS Tysons. The guests heard personal stories from two clients, one receiving services from the Day Program and the other from Employment and Mental Health Support Services. Lunch and facility tours were provided by the Day Program clients, and slide shows and videos about PRS' services and supports were running in various rooms for guests to watch.

PRS is a 501(c)(3) community-based organization that has been providing skills training and rehabilitation services since 1963 to Northern Virginia residents in recovery from serious mental illness. PRS Tysons is the new site consolidating two prior Day Programs, PRS Reston and PRS Falls Church. Services offered at PRS Tysons include Psychosocial Rehabilitation Day Programming, Supported Employment Services and individualized Mental Health Support Services provided in community locations.

For more information about PRS, visit Web site at [www.prsinc.org](http://www.prsinc.org).

OBITUARY

# Roy Miller, 86, Dies

**R**oy M. "Red" Miller, decorated World War II bomber pilot, IBM executive and member of Reagan Administration's



Roy Miller

Grace Commission, age 86, died peacefully on Friday, Aug. 21. Born in 1923 in Rochester, Pa., he graduated in 1941 from Beaver Falls High School where he was active in the drama club and known as an excellent singer. In 1943, he enlisted in the Army Air Corps and piloted a B17 with the 390th Bomb Group flying both combat and humanitarian missions in Europe during World War II. He served in the Air Force Reserves until 1961, achieving the rank of captain. Following World War II, he attended and graduated from Geneva College on the GI Bill. In 1948, he married Glee Everett Winter with whom he shared 44 loving and wonderful years until her death in 1992. In 1952, Miller joined IBM and rose quickly through the sales and marketing ranks. In his 33 years at IBM, he achieved honors and mentored many young men and women. Following his retirement, he worked as a consultant to the computer industry.

He was a longtime Maryland and Virginia resident. A lifelong Lutheran, he was a member of both Emmanuel (Bethesda, Md.) and Christ the King (Great Falls, Va.) Lutheran Churches. He served on their church councils and sang in the choir. He was a leader and a friend to many—a creative, loyal, and talented gentleman.

He was a Freemason, a member of Kiwanis and maintained a close bond with his fellow members of the 390th Bomb Group.

Miller was the loving father of his three children, Deborah Miller (Carol Nast), Jeffrey Miller (Christel) and Melanie Miller-Cvilikas (Taz); proud grandfather of David Miller, Valerie Bailey (John), Stephen Miller, Kathryn Miller-Cvilikas and Emma Miller-Cvilikas and two great grandchildren, Zane and Zoe Bailey; husband of Dorothea Miller and stepfather to her children Robert Badgley, Kristin Badgley (David, Milana, Vivian, Nicolette) and Andrew Badgley.

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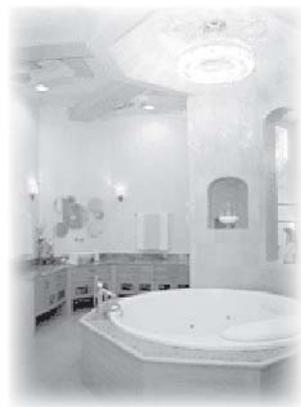


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Some local races are also on the ballot.

Here at the Connection, we invite our readers to tune in and help us fine tune questions and coverage of local candidates. Its common for Northern Virginia residents to be more focused on national politics than local politics.

### EDITORIAL

But be forewarned that the winners of the state and local elections coming up will have an impact on your daily life, often in a very personal way.

Local elected officials will spend billions of dollars. With the current budget shortfalls, the winners will also decide how where to cut tens of millions of dollars by cutting programs, projects and schools dear to many people's hearts. The safety net for the most vulnerable people in Virginia is in danger as well.

Over the next two months, editors and reporters at the Connection Newspapers will interview each local candidate in a contested race. We'll ask questions to learn about each individual, his or her knowledge of local is-

ssues and whether they come to the race with a sense of public service. Do they bring intelligence, creativity, collegiality to problem solving? Where do they stand on issues ranging from funding mental-health care to providing a revenue stream to address transportation?

We invite our readers to help with the ques-

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## Students Need 'Education for Work'

BY MARGI VANDERHYE  
STATE DELEGATE (D-34)



**B**efore our area students return to school, the Labor Day holiday offers an opportunity to reflect on some important questions about our own potential and future workforce: Are we preparing our students for the world they will face when they graduate — at whatever level — and enter the workforce? Are we organized to provide the training they will need regardless of the profession they choose? What are the talents, beyond academic achievements, that they will need to compete in a global economy?

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staff. We have some great business partnerships and apprentice programs in place, particularly at the community college level, but we need more of them.

A 2008 national study spearheaded by The Conference Board identified several areas of "high need" for workforce readiness — areas where potential workers most often require remedial training — among them creativity and innovation, critical thinking and problem solving. Regardless of academic achievement, workers were most often lacking in these skills as they prepared for their respective jobs.

In Virginia, we compound the problem by not being sufficiently well organized to prepare our workforce, especially at the high school and community college levels. A state level review is currently underway, because we currently have 23 different workforce training programs in nine different state agencies. Virginia's Workforce Investment Boards and One Stop Career Centers deal with too many redundant and duplicative programs that waste time, money, and precious human talent. We can and must streamline

these programs through legislation and, where possible, administrative remedies. We will have a better prepared workforce if we do.

Most fundamentally, The Conference Board identifies workforce readiness skills that are hard to acquire from a text book, but are nevertheless critical to success in the global economy: a grounding in ethics and social responsibility, a "work ethic" and sense of professionalism, and the discipline necessary for self-directed lifelong learning. These skills cannot be measured by Standards of Learning exams or achievement tests, but they are essential at every educational level if we want a workforce that can compete globally. Targeted academic concentrations are only part of the solution.

The 2010 Virginia General Assembly session offers the chance to direct and improve state programs to prepare our students in critical disciplines like technology and writing, while encouraging critical thinking and creativity. We must organize training programs that will both educate students and help them find employment in Virginia as well. We must instill a commitment to lifelong learning and a work ethic that begins in the classroom. Next week, thousands of our students will head back to classes in pre-K through college. One day they will be heading off to jobs here in northern Virginia and beyond. Our job is to make sure we prepare them well. And for all of us together, that is going to take a lot of work.

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Candidate Opposes Spending, Tax Hikes

To the Editor:

I'm writing in response to Mr. Volkert's letter to the editor ["Author Offers No Real Solution," Connection, Aug. 19-25]. I have hosted a meet and greet and have donated to Barbara Comstock's campaign. Mr. Volkert has hosted a meet and greet and has donated to Mrs. Vanderhye's campaign. But unlike Mr. Volkert, I prefer to outline why I support Barbara Comstock and why I oppose his party at the federal and state level, rather than specifically criticize Mrs. Vanderhye's record.

I was a Democrat during my early years, and later registered as a Republican. But over the years, I have never actively campaigned for any candidate. Instead, I just wrote checks. This year, I'm talking to neighbors, sponsoring fund raisers, and writing a letter to the editor. And this year, I became a delegate to the Virginia Republican convention (another first) because I am opposed to the profligate government spending in the pork-laden stimulus and budget which has driven the federal deficit to an unimaginable all-time high. Government control of banks and businesses and a fully-government-controlled health care program are more wrong-track initiatives. I had also opposed the big spending of the Bush administration and their bank bailouts. But they were pikers compared to the current administration.

As a retiree largely on fixed income, my taxes will increase and my health care will decrease if these spending initiatives are not curtailed. The specter of Virginia following the spend and tax paths of California, Illinois and New Jersey is frightening. I have talked to fiscally-conservative Democrats, Independents and previously-disaffected Republicans who share my concerns.

Barbara Comstock will oppose profligate spending and increased taxes. Her Web site [www.comstockfordelagate] outlines her positive solutions on all other important issues in this campaign, from creating jobs to improving education to getting a fair share for Northern Virginia to better roads. Mr. Volkert attacked the transportation solutions that Barbara had outlined in a mid August article in The Connection. He did not propose an alternative to Barbara's plan, but it's pretty obvious that the alternative will be higher taxes. As for bipartisanship, which Mr. Volkert mentioned, the bipartisan commission championed by Barbara was also endorsed by House of Delegates Minority Leader Ward Armstrong.

Similarly, offshore drilling has bipartisan support, including, until recently, Gov. Kaine who has since changed his mind. On the other hand, Gov. Kaine's proposal to spend \$94 million on weatherizing homes is an example of unwise spending priorities. Barbara's letter to the governor is also on her Web site.

Our family has known Barbara and her family for many years. We can verify that Barbara is a highly intelligent and very hard working lady with great common sense and a wonderful sense of humor who is dedicated to public service.

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## THURSDAY/SEPT. 3

**The Hip-Hop Against Human Trafficking Tour w/ Flex Mathews and The Franchise Players.** 8 p.m. At Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).  
**Disney's High School Musical,** 8 p.m. at the Filene Center. \$25 - \$80. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.  
**Classic Tales n' Tunes.** 11 a.m. Oakton Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. Music, stories, puppets and movement with Spanish and ASL. Donations of household products and school supplies to assist at risk families will be collected. 703-242-4020.

## FRIDAY/SEPT. 4

**The Sketches.** 8 p.m. At Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).  
**Disney's High School Musical,** 8 p.m. at the Filene Center. \$25 - \$80. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.

## SATURDAY/SEPT. 5

**Barbara Martin and Mac Walter,** 5-7 p.m. at the Palladium Civic Green, 1445 Laughlin Ave., McLean. Free. [thepalladiumatmclean.com](http://thepalladiumatmclean.com) or 703-288-9505.  
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p.m. and 8 p.m. at the Filene Center. \$25 - \$80. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.  
**Holy Transfiguration Melkite Greek-Catholic Church 16th Annual Middle Eastern Food Festival.** 11 a.m.-11 p.m. at 8501 Lewinsville Road, McLean. Authentic Middle Eastern food, pastries, beer and wine, live music and dancing, vendors, church tours, and activities for children and adults. Watch folk dancing, participate in backgammon or chess, visit the vendors, or take a tour of the church. \$12.50 Roast Lamb Dinner served 7-9 p.m. The festival will be held rain or shine. Admission and parking are free. 703-734-9566 or [www.holytransfiguration.org](http://www.holytransfiguration.org).

## SUNDAY/SEPT. 6

**Between the Trees, Farewell, Punchline and Action Item.** 6 p.m. At Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).  
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## TUESDAY/SEPT. 8

**Choir Open Rehearsal.** 7:30 p.m., Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Road,

Oakton. The season's first rehearsal of Mosaic Harmony, a multi-faith, multi-denominational community choir drawing on the African-American inspirational music, is open to all. 703-474-1221 or [msoan96@yahoo.com](mailto:msoan96@yahoo.com).  
**David Mead** with his new album *Almost & Always*, 7 p.m. at Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).

## WEDNESDAY/SEPT. 9

**Rob Rider (CD Release) and Ann Blair,** 7 p.m. At Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).

## THURSDAY/SEPT. 10

**Happily Ever After: A Cinderella Tale.** 2 p.m. at the McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. Age 4 and up. 703-790-0123.  
**David Mead and Scott Simons,** 8 p.m. At Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).

## FRIDAY/SEPT. 11

**Great Falls 9/11 Candlelight Memorial Service,** 7 p.m. - Freedom Plaza on Georgetown Pike near Walker Road next to the library in Great Falls. Parking - behind the library. Recognition is given to the six citizens of Great Falls who lost their lives on Sept. 11, 2001 as well as those who served in our military forces, firefighters, police and others who have placed their lives in jeopardy in serving their country. Guest speaker Linda C. Davis, Ph.D. recent tenure as the leader of the reform of case/care management for

wounded, ill and injured service members, veterans and their families in the Department of Defense.  
 For additional information contact Robert Pattavina, President, Friends of the Great Falls Freedom Memorial at 703-759-0342.  
**Peter Tork (from The Monkees) and Shoe Suede Blues,** 7 p.m. At Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).

**The McLean Branch of the American Association of University Women's 40th Used Book Sale,** 9 a.m.-7 p.m. at the McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. 40,000 used books, videos and CD's are sorted for adults and children. Admission is free. 202-337-2294 or [www.mcleanaauw.org](http://www.mcleanaauw.org).  
**Just Friends.** 1 p.m. at the Herndon Senior Center, 873 Grace St., Herndon. A five-piece combo from Great Falls, featuring two flutists, guitar, string bass and percussion performing American popular music from the 1920s to the 1960s. 703-464-6200 or [www.bendmelodies.com](http://www.bendmelodies.com).  
**Artist's Reception,** 6-8 p.m. at Artworks Gallery & Studio, 11411-G Sunset Hills Road, Reston. Great Falls artist Mary Ellen Mogee in a "Life Flows On," followed by a three day show from Sept. 11-13. The gallery will be open Friday and Saturday, 12-8 p.m. and Sunday, 12-6 p.m. [MyArtandSoul@gmail.com](mailto:MyArtandSoul@gmail.com).

## SATURDAY/SEPT. 12

**All-you-can-eat crab feast.** 1-5 p.m. at the Great Falls Firehouse. Unlimited crabs, hot dogs, corn on the cob

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**Marianne Tahhan, Barbara Fleshman, Jennifer Bawab, back, and Nikki Haddad take orders for the Middle Eastern main dishes sold in the last year's Middle Eastern Food Festival. This year's festival is being held Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 5-6, at the Holy Transfiguration Melkite Greek-Catholic Church, 8501 Lewinsville Road, McLean.**

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McLean Community Center

Work Session on Draft FY2011 Budget

(July 1, 2010–June 30, 2011)

Thursday, Sept. 10, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. at the Center

Public Hearing on Proposed FY2011 Budget

Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. at the Center

The current fiscal year has a tax rate of 2.4 cents per \$100 of real estate assessment, reduced from the previous 2.6 cents.

Residents who wish to speak are asked to call 703-790-0123, TTY: 711, to be placed on the speakers' list. Details of the proposed budget will be available at the Center and on the Center's Web site beginning Thursday, Sept. 3, 2009.

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# Illegal Solicitors Target McLean

**Police ask residents to report unlicensed salespeople.**

A group of people illegally selling magazines door-to-door has been targeting neighborhoods in McLean, said Pat Lucas, McLean District Station crime prevention officer. He said it was unclear whether the salespeople had moved on, but such groups are common in the area. In general, Lucas said, it is rare that people with legitimate business sell door-to-door anymore.

He said members of this particular group were telling residents they were selling magazine subscriptions that would go to patients at St. Jude's Children's Hospital or to troops serving overseas. "They're not really selling you something that you're going to receive, and so you have no idea whether the hospital gets the magazines or not," he said, not



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**Door-to-door salespeople are required to carry a solicitor's license.**

ing that this also made it difficult for officers to determine whether fraud was being committed. In 2005, a group came through the area, falsely claiming to represent the McLean High School baseball team.

**ON JULY 25**, he said, "One of the neighbors that had gotten burned once before called us in and one

of our officers came down and actually arrested someone." Door-to-door solicitation is illegal without a solicitor's license from the county, although Lucas said certain groups, such as the Girl Scouts, are exempt from the requirement.

The two-sided license displays a photo of the bearer, along with thumbprints and other identifying information and has a strip of security tape on top. Anyone who has been convicted of larceny, embezzlement or otherwise obtaining money under false pretenses cannot get a license. Therefore, Lucas said, if a salesperson is unlicensed, there is a reasonable chance that he or she has a criminal background.

However, he said, police cannot arrest someone suspected of illegal solicitation unless they have a witness or see the crime being committed. So, although they have encountered groups of people with the same pamphlets, only one arrest has been made. "It's a challenge because we really do depend on citizens to call us when they're doing this," he said.

He said members of the group were not local, although they claimed to be, and appeared to be staying in a hotel and traveling into neighborhoods in a 15-passenger van.

**LUCAS** said this was not just a local problem, as magazine sales companies such as Fresh Start Opportunities offer young people a "second chance" and an opportunity to travel the country. "So they're obviously going after people who are questionable from the beginning," he said. "This is going on across the entire country."

Around this time of year, it is also not uncommon for people to go door to door offering to do tree work, Lucas said, adding that these individuals also were often unlicensed.

The station is hosting a neighborhood watch coordinators meeting on Sept. 10, and Lucas said officers would be going over information about unlicensed solicitation there. "A lot of it is common sense," he said.

— MIKE DICICCO



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**Air Force Airman Giancarlo G. Gaviria graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. Gaviria is the son of Maritza Gaviria and grandson of Mario Chapparro, both Great Falls.**

To have community events listed in the Connection, send to [vienna@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:vienna@connectionnewspapers.com). Deadline is Friday.

**Air Force Lt. Col. Nicholas E. Russo** participated in Proud Shield II/Giant Sword II, a bombing, navigation, weapons loading, and security forces competition conducted by the Eighth Air Force to demonstrate the military's readiness and ability to project airpower around the world, set up a strategic deterrent to threats to American interests, and meet national defense objectives. Russo is director of operations assigned to the 2nd Bomb Wing at Barksdale Air Force Base, Bossier City, La., and has served in the military for 16 years.

**MILITARY NOTES**

He is the son of Vincent and Reeta Russo of McLean; his brothers are Brian Russo and Mark Russo, also of McLean. Russo received a bachelor's degree in 1993 from Davidson College, N.C., and earned a master's degree in 2002 from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical College, Bossier City.

**Keith A. Tooley** has been commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army after successfully completing the Army ROTC program and graduating with a bachelor's degree from West Virginia University. Tooley is the son of Jean D. Reimers of Donmore Drive, Great Falls and is a 2004 graduate of Langley High School.

Army Pfc. **Eric Z. Reynolds**, a 2007 graduate of Oakton High School, has graduated from the Infantryman One Station Unit Training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga. He is the son of James and Susan Reynolds of Oakton.

**Michael Thompson**, of Vienna is among 10 James Madison University students that trained for three days with Special Forces soldiers at Fort Bragg, N.C., as part of the Army ROTC Ranger Group.

Coast Guard Seaman **Nicholas C. Pfautz**, son of Terry Pfautz of Warrenton and Richard Pfautz of McLean, recently graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Recruit Training Center in Cape May, N. J.

**Army 2nd Lt. Roman A. Terehoff** has graduated from the Infantry Basic Officer Leader Course at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga. He is the son of Alex G. and Irina P. Terehoff of Borge St., Oakton, Va. Terehoff graduated in 2001 from Oakton High School, and received a bachelor's degree in 2008 from George Mason University.

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**Ann E. Lewis**, a 2001 graduate of Langley High School, has received a masters degree in European anthropology from the University of Sussex in Brighton, England. She continues her education this fall when she begins work on a Ph.D. at Oxford University in Oxford, England. Her research is in the field of Anthropology with focus on boarder identity; the impact on the people and politics in the Tyrol region of Italy.



McLean residents **Christine Ingoldsby**, **Joseph Abrams** and **Ali-cia Andrews** have graduated from Emory University in Atlanta, Ga.

**Margaret Jane Smith** of Great Falls has been named to the spring 2009 dean's list at Ohio Wesleyan University in Delaware, Ohio. Smith is the daughter of William E. and Eileen Mary Smith.

**Emma Rocks** of McLean has been named to the spring 2009 dean's list at the University of Vermont. Rocks is a first-year mathematics major in the College of Arts & Sciences.

### SATURDAY, SEPT. 5

**Shoes for School Dog Wash and Bake Sale.** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 543 Druid Hill Road, Vienna. Call 703-242-3957 Katie or 703-757-0465 Corinne to reserve a space. All proceeds will go to Timber Lane Elementary School in Falls Church for new shoes for students in need.

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### TUESDAY, SEPT. 8

**NARFE - National Association Active and Retired Federal Employees** monthly meeting, 1:30 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St. SE, Vienna. Speaker: Frank Szumilo, NARFE National Legislation Chairman. 703-205-9041.

**The quarterly meeting** of the Board of Directors of Oakton Mill Estates

Homeowners Association will take place at 8 p.m. at the Clifford residence, 2908 Oakton Ridge Court, Oakton. Call Bill Bogutski, 703-242-6395.

**Terrorism Past and Present.** League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area (LWVFA) presents the second of three collaborations with Rand Corporation. "Terrorism Past and Present" on the forms terrorism has taken over three centuries and current developments. McLean: 12:30 p.m. at Star Nut Gourmet, 1445 Laughlin Ave. in McLean. Contact Gail, 703-356-2851. Vienna: 7:45 p.m. 9511 Rockport Road in Vienna. Contact Anne, 703-938-73004.

### WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 9

**Northern Virginia Transportation Alliance 5th Annual What You Need to Know About Transportation Seminar and Reception**, 4-7 p.m. at the Capital One Auditorium, 1680 Capital One Drive, McLean. Transportation Secretary Pierce R. Homer, WMATA General Manager John B. Catoe, Jr., Virginia Railway Express CEO Dale Zehner, VDOT Chief District Construction Engineer John D. Lynch and VDOT Regional Transportation Director Renaldo Nicholson. Sponsorships and tickets from \$50-\$2500. 703-883-1830 or [info@nvta.org](mailto:info@nvta.org).

# Dance Season Opens [Learn More](#) at Schoolhouse

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building the day before and some signage was in the works.

According to board member Walter Harrison, who has been attending dances at the hall since 1946 and still lives in Great Falls, there was a time when air conditioning wasn't the only concern. Two large stoves once heated the place in the winter. In those days, he said, dancers smoked inside the building and drank outside, the opposite of today's practice. "Intermissions were long and hardy," he said, adding that the police used to regularly stop by the dances, as the events could get rowdy in the early years. "I stopped a few fights, but I never had any." But he said it had been many years since he had seen any fisticuffs in the schoolhouse.

The dances in the earlier decades were well attended not only by adults but also by teens from around Great Falls, Herndon and Sterling, Harrison said. Now, they are for ages 18 and up, a rule that board members are considering changing.

**THE VENUE** now draws from a large area, with board members from as far away as Purcellville and Mount Vernon and events like West Coast swing dances bringing revelers from Maryland and West Virginia, Woldin said. "They pack this place with 120 people."

A board of eight volunteers runs the citizens association, and board member Jean Rosenbluth said about a dozen people cycle through the various positions. The Reston resident, who has been coming to dances since 1984, is a past president and has also held just about every other office. "It's a unique building, for one thing," she said by

way of explaining her interest in the organization. "There's nothing like it in the area."

In addition to its long history and high-ceilinged spaciousness, she said it was nearly impossible anymore to find a "sprung" dance floor, meaning that a huge beam holds the floor up over a basement, rather than the flooring being laid over concrete.

"Your feet will get cooked if you're on concrete," said her husband Bill, the board's vice president.

Heer said the long tradition was also an appeal. "Once you've been here a few times, you start to feel like a part of the tradition," he said. "You feel like Colvin Run is part of your family."

"We love playing this place," said Daria Matacia of the band Angel and

Aces in between performances at the picnic. "The acoustics in this building are wonderful." The band has been playing at the schoolhouse regularly for the last three years.

"What a great dance hall," said Great Falls resident Bob Poole, who was in the schoolhouse for the first time at Woldin's invitation. "I think it's great

**"I think it's great that people get together on their own and preserve places like this."**

— Bob Poole

that people get together on their own and preserve places like this." Just as "old people have a lot of character," he said, the same principle applies to buildings. The first Colvin Run Citizens Association dance of the season will be this Saturday, Sept. 5. Helmut Licht and his Ballroom Big Band will provide the music and lessons will be offered in triple swing. Dances are open to the public, and all proceeds go to maintenance of the schoolhouse.

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# SPORTS

## Langley Team Ready for New Season

### Saxons to open against visiting Lake Braddock on Friday.

BY RICH SANDERS  
THE CONNECTION

**T**he Langley High Saxons will likely experience growing pains on the football field this fall season. That is quite a change from last year when a more experienced Langley squad, which was expected to have better success, finished with a disappointing 5-5 record, thanks to the combination of a tough schedule and several key injuries.

This year's Langley team, unlike a year ago, is going into the season in more of an underdog role. The young Saxons will be looking to exceed expectations.

"It's going to probably be the youngest group I've had as far as experience goes, not counting that first team we had seven years ago," said John Howerton, Langley veteran head coach. "It's an enthusiastic group, but we don't have a lot of experience."

The Saxons return seven starters this season, six of them coming on defense. The strength of the team is likely to be at linebacker position where three talented, fairly seasoned players are back in the fold in seniors Austin Pritchett and Brian Clubb, both inside linebackers, and outside linebacker Joey Kiffe.

Last year, Pritchett was limited to playing in just a few games as a result of a knee injury. But he looks to be in good health for this season. Along with his defensive duties, Pritchett will also play fullback on offense.

"He's a playmaker on defense," said Howerton, of Pritchett. "He got hurt [last year] and we dropped off [defensively] after that."



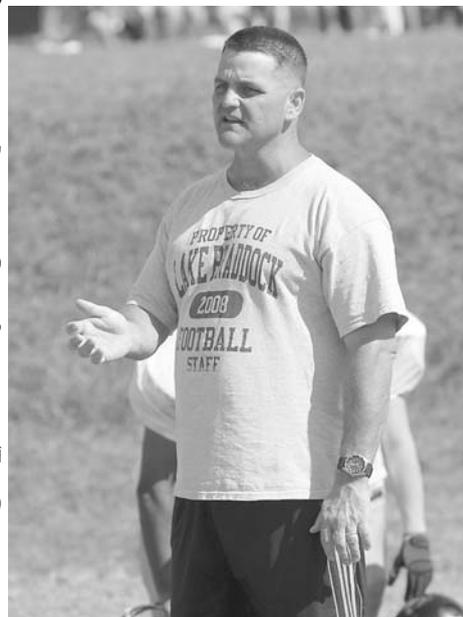
**Langley coach John Howerton hopes his team can avoid big time injury problems this fall.**

Clubb started three games as a junior in 2008. Meanwhile, the rangy, tall Kiffe (6 foot-4 inches), will bring speed to both outside linebacker and on offense at tightend.

"The linebackers should be as good as anybody has," said Howerton. "They are three of the best players on the team."

Other key members of Langley's defense will include tackle Tate Besougloff and Rikhi Chadry (end). Both will also be key members of the offensive line.

**RUNNING THE OFFENSE** this season will be quarterback Braden Anderson, a 6-foot-3 inch signal caller who started at the position on the JV last year. Fellow junior Nick Amano-Dolan, a talented ball carrier whose throwing arm has shown improvement throughout the preseason, has also been impressive at QB. It looks as if Lan-



**Lake Braddock coach Jim Poythress, pictured, and John Howerton played high school football together at the old Fort Hunt High School.**

gle should prove to be solid at the critical position.

Howerton thinks the Saxons will be able to throw successfully. Langley, over the years, has prided itself on an in-the-trenches running attack, fueled by outstanding line play up front. Last year, Howerton wanted to also utilize his team's air potential more with talented quarterback Danny Pritchett, who graduated last spring, behind the center. But Pritchett missed four games over the middle of the season because of injuries. He still finished the season throwing for 1,200 yards despite playing in only six games.

Langley also ran the ball well last year, behind since-graduated running back David Helmer, who finished with 1,075 yards and 15 touchdowns.

Langley had a solid, experienced offensive line in 2008 and had outstanding skill

position players in Pritchett at QB and Helmer in the backfield. But in the end, the team's injury struggles helped prevent the Saxons from finishing over .500 and qualifying for the Division 6 playoffs.

Howerton is hoping this year's Langley's offense can produce both on the ground and in the air like it did last year.

"We have more skill kids than we normally do," said the coach. "We're going to try to throw the ball 50 percent."

A Langley player to watch this season will be sophomore Marcus Harvey, the son of former Redskins player Ken Harvey who will start at safety on defense and see time at running back as well.

"He can really run and he's the fastest kid we have," said Howerton, of Harvey.

Other key players this season will include senior running back James McMichael, a transfer student from Potomac School; senior cornerback and running back Abe Yi, who was injured last year; talented junior kicker Farhan Khan, who will handle all the kicking duties and could be utilized as full-time punter as well; senior guard Ben Johnson; and senior receiver/defensive back Jack Curry. Howerton has a freshmen son, Jack, who could see varsity backup time at center.

**LANGLEY** will get a huge, week one test this Friday night, Sept. 4, when it opens the season against Lake Braddock, expected to be one of the better teams in the Northern Region this fall. Game time is 7:30 p.m. at Langley.

Lake Braddock head coach Jim Poythress and Howerton are good friends and former assistant coaches together at West Potomac High School. They are also former teammates at the old Fort Hunt High School in the Mount Vernon area. Howerton knows Poythress will have the Bruins ready to play.

"Lake Braddock has a pretty good group," said Howerton. "It's going to be a tough game."

### SPORTS ROUNDUPS

**The Inaugural Capital Cup Golf Tournament** was recently held at Woodmont Country Club. The event was sponsored by the Mid Atlantic Professional Golf Association (MAPGA). In the competition format similar to the Ryder Cup, a team from Virginia competed against one from Maryland. Chas Bassing of Great Falls was a member of the Virginia Team. Bassing, in a prior tournament, finished first in the ages 14-15 division at the Nordlinger Cup on Aug. 11. And at the Bob Riley Junior Open at Bellhaven Country Club on Aug. 4 in Alexandria, he finished a strong second place.

**George Marshall High School** has announced the hiring of Ann Orrison Germain as its new head girl's soccer coach. Coach Germain brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Statesmen women's soccer program. She was a member of the US Women's National Soccer Team from 1984 to '86. She has coached at the high school or club level since 1980. Most recently, coach Germain has been working with the Olympic Development Program.

**Jimmy Lange** (30-3-2, 21 knockouts) will return to the ring on Saturday, Sept. 26 at the Patriot Center in Fairfax City to defend his World Boxing Council (WBC) U.S. - Ice Promotions has announced.

Lange, in a 154-pound title fight, will go up against his former teammate from The Contender, Jonathan Reid (34-11, 19 KOs), in a 12-round main event. Tickets are on sale and available for purchase through the Patriot Center box office and all area Ticketmaster outlets.

Lange, of Great Falls, is currently ranked No. 11 by the NABF and No. 34 in the world by the WBC at 154 pounds.

**Team Sunrise will hold a bike ride** on the C&O Canal the weekend of Sept. 12 and 13. Besides having fun, the participants will raise money for the search for a cure for Alzheimer's disease. The event offers three ride options:

184 miles (84 on Saturday and 100 on Sunday), 100 miles (45 on Saturday and 55 on Sunday) or 20 miles on Sunday. To register, go to <http://alz.kintera.org/faf/home/default.asp?ievent=305046>

This Tour de Canal website contains everything participants need to know.

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**The Reston Triathlon** is looking for volunteers to help with the

event scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 13. Volunteers for Saturday set-up (Sept. 12) are needed at the swim course, transition areas at Lake Audubon boat ramp, and South Lakes High School. They are also needed for packet pickup. And on Sunday's race day (the race begins at 7a.m.), helpers are needed for the two transition areas (Lake Audubon boat ramp and the high school stadium), as well as for post race food, run sentry, markings, bike marshalling and the finish line. Volunteers will receive a free Triathlon T-shirt and free food following the race. Please e-mail [restontri@aol.com](mailto:restontri@aol.com), or go to [restontriathlon.org](http://restontriathlon.org) (follow the links to volunteers).

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## Public Information Meetings I-66 Transit/ Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Study

The Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) is studying potential short- and medium-term transit and TDM enhancements to increase mobility in the I-66 corridor between Washington D.C., and Haymarket, Virginia. Improvements could include new bus services such as Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) and commuter choices such as carpooling, vanpooling and park and ride lots.

Public information meetings will include a continuous open house with representatives available to provide information on the study corridor and alternatives under consideration. In addition, a presentation will be given twice (at 7 p.m. and 8 p.m.) with an opportunity for questions and answers afterward.

### Meeting Dates and Locations

Tuesday, May 12, 2009	Thursday, May 14, 2009
Williamsburg Middle School Auditorium 3600 N Harrison St. Arlington, VA 22207	Oakton High School Auditorium 2900 Sutton Rd. Vienna, VA 22181
Wednesday, May 13, 2009	Schedule for all Meetings:
Battlefield High School Auditorium 15000 Graduation Dr. Haymarket, VA 20169	6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. - Open House 7:00 p.m. - Presentation and Q&A 8:00 p.m. - Presentation and Q&A

For more information on the study, visit  
[www.drpt.virginia.gov/activities/166study.aspx](http://www.drpt.virginia.gov/activities/166study.aspx).

If you are unable to attend a meeting, comments on the study may be sent to Public Information Office, DRPT, 1313 E. Main St., Suite 300, Richmond, VA 23219, or DRPTPR@DRPT.Virginia.gov. Comments will be accepted until May 22, 2009.

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Christopher David Whelan and Lindsey Rene Welch.

## Whelan, Welch To Wed

Mr. and Mrs. David Whelan of Great Falls have announced the engagement of their son, Christopher David, to Lindsey Rene Welch, daughter of Mr. And Mrs. William Welch Jr. of Englewood, Colo.

Christopher Whelan received his bachelor of science and master of education from Lynchburg College. He is the president and founder of Overtime Athlet-

ics and is the head men's basketball coach at Herndon High School.

Lindsey Welch received her bachelor of science from Virginia Tech and her master of arts from The University of Phoenix. She is the assistant athletic director at the National Cathedral School.

An August 2010 wedding is being planned.

### ENGAGEMENTS

## CALENDAR

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cob, soft drinks, and iced tea. Tickets are \$41 for adults and \$22 for children 12 and under.

**Nedda Davis, weaver and spinner**, 12- 3 p.m. at The Freeman Store and Museum, 131 Church St. N.E., Vienna. 703-938-5187 or fs@historicviennainc.org.

**ZNA Potomac Koi Club 16th Annual Koi Show**, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Meadowlark Botanical Gardens in Vienna. Free and open to the public. International team for the koi judging, pond and koi vendors, informational seminars, raffles and auctions, craft vendors and bonsai displays. www.znapotomac.org or Mike Frady at 703-360-9142 or mfrady@znapotomac.org.

**Songs for Danny**, Local artists. 4:30 p.m. at Smith Chapel UMC, 11318 Beach Mill Road, Great Falls. Free. 571-434-9680.

**The McLean Branch of the American Association of University Women's Used Book Sale**, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. at the McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. Admission is free. 202-337-2294 or www.mcleanaauw.org.

**McLean Fall Community Flea Market**, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Free admission and parking inside at the Business Bank Parking Garage, 1451 Dolley Madison Blvd. and Ingleside Ave., McLean. Open to both individuals and flea market dealers, 10x10-foot spaces are available for \$45. 703-790-0123, TTY 711.

**Fairfax Symphony Orchestra**, 8 p.m. at the George Mason University's Center for the Arts, 4373 Mason Pond Drive, Fairfax. Christopher Zimmerman, Music Director. opens with Bernstein's Symphonic Dances from West Side

Story, followed by Elgar's Introduction and Allegro for Strings and Stravinsky's Rite of Spring. Pre-concert lecture free to ticketed patrons, 7 p.m. Tickets \$25 to \$55; \$15 for students with valid ID. 1-888-945-2468 or Tickets.com

**RESOLVE: The National Infertility Association** free educational workshops on embryo donation, 8 a.m.-2:45 p.m. at the Tysons Corner Hilton, McLean. Experts will introduce the legal, medical and mental health issues potential recipients and donors should consider about embryo donation as a family building option. Register at resolve.org/embryodonation.

### SUNDAY/SEPT. 13

**Sully Quilt and Fiber Arts Show and Sale**, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at the Sully Historic Site, 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly. \$9 adults, \$8 seniors, \$6 children. 703-437-1794 or www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/sully.

**Sarah Bettens from K's Choice**, 8 p.m. At Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

**ZNA Potomac Koi Club 16th Annual Koi Show**, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Meadowlark Botanical Gardens in Vienna. Free and open to the public. www.znapotomac.org or Mike Frady at 703-360-9142 or mfrady@znapotomac.org.

**The McLean Branch of the American Association of University Women's 40th Used Book Sale**, 12-4 p.m. at the McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. Admission is free. 202-337-2294 or www.mcleanaauw.org.

## FAITH

Faith Notes are for announcements and events in the faith community. Send to greatfalls@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Friday.

**St. John's Episcopal Church in McLean Homecoming Celebration**, Sunday, Sept. 13. Worship at the 10:00 a.m. service and stay for the celebration. Food, old and new friends, and a moon bounce. Church School registration will also take place. At the picnic on the lawn, Subway sandwiches and beverages will be provided. St. John's Church, 6715 Georgetown Pike, McLean. 703-356-4902 or www.stjohnsmclean.org.

**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 for more information.

**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.



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