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Park View's Tommy Sedeski (5) scored a pair of touchdowns, but it was not quite enough for the Patriots in a season-opening, 24-21, home loss to Sherando High last Friday night.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority is hosting three public hearings to inform, and solicit comments from, the community about proposed toll rate increases along the Dulles Toll Road to support the Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project and Dulles Toll Road improvements.

The public hearings will be conducted in an open house format, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Monday, August 24, 2009

Ashburn Elementary School - Cafeteria
44062 Fincastle Drive
Ashburn, VA 20147

Thursday, September 3, 2009

McLean High School - Cafeteria
1633 Davidson Road
McLean, VA 22101

Wednesday, September 9, 2009

South Lakes High School - Cafeteria
11400 South Lakes Drive
Reston, VA 20191

There will be informational exhibits about the Metrorail Project, the cost and financing of the Metrorail Project, the Dulles Toll Road and potential improvements that may be made to the Toll Road, the revenue anticipated to be raised as a result of the proposed toll increases, and how this additional revenue will be spent. Representatives from the Airports Authority will be present to discuss these items.

Informational exhibits and an on-line comment form will be available on the Airports Authority website at www.mwaa.com/tollroad during the official comment period, August 14-September 14, 2009. Comments may also be submitted at the public hearings, or mailed to: Dulles Toll Road Proposed Toll Rate Increases, 3900 Jermantown Road, Suite 300, Fairfax, VA 22030.

For special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, citizens may call (703) 934-4639, at least 10 days prior to the hearing they wish to attend.

PEOPLE



PHOTO BY ANN PRIEST

Visiting Savannah Cadette Girl Scout Troop 990 from Sterling poses for a group photo after participating in a pinning ceremony in the garden of the Juliette Gordon Low House in Savannah, Ga., in June. The troop enjoyed a full week of activities that included a trolley tour of historic downtown Savannah, a ghost tour, a trip to the Tybee Island Marine Science Museum that gave them the opportunity to throw a seine net in the ocean and examine their catch of local marine life. They also enjoyed a dolphin tour and a full day of activities at the home of the founder of the Girl Scouts, Juliette Gordon Low. Members of the troop earned two Interest Project patches: "Discover Savannah" and "Sister Of The Palette" by participating in the activities throughout the week.

PEOPLE NOTES

Send announcements to loudoun@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Friday; photos/artwork encouraged. For additional listings, visit www.connectionnewspapers.com.

Air Force Airman Katlin C. Miller graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. He is the son of Kevin Miller and Petra Simms of Stablehouse Drive, Sterling. Miller is a 2006 graduate of Park View High School, Sterling.

Long & Foster announces its top sales associates in Loudoun for the month of May:

* **Ashburn:** At the Ashburn Long & Foster office, Pam Jones was the top producer and top Lister with a sales volume of \$3.3 million. Denis Fahie was the top seller and the agent with the most new listings (3).

* **Sterling/Potomac Falls:** At the Sterling/Potomac Falls Long & Foster office, Nancy Bossard was the top producer, the top seller, and the agent with the most new listings (7). Marlene Baugh was the top lister.

Adam Smith of Ashburn, a senior majoring in mechanical engineering in the College of Engineering, has been awarded selection to "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

The following Loudoun County students are among 809 students nationwide who received scholarships for the 2009-2010 academic year through Verizon's scholarship program for the children and dependents of company employees.

The students will receive \$5,000 annually toward their college expenses. Each scholarship is renewable for three years and has a total value of \$20,000. Local recipients are:

* **Hubaida Fuseini of Ashburn**, daughter of employee Abukari Fuseini,

who plans to attend the University of Virginia in Charlottesville.

* **Stacey Fernandes of Sterling**, daughter of employee John Fernandes, who plans to attend George Mason University in Fairfax.

Army Pfc. Carmen E. Molina has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C. She is the daughter of Eleanore Melara of Gatwick Square, Ashburn. Molina received an associate degree in 2001 from Nova Community College, Woodbridge.

Timothy J. Hill has graduated from the Army ROTC (Reserve Officer Training Corps) Leader Development and Assessment Course, also known as "Op-

eration Warrior Forge," at Fort Lewis, Tacoma, Wash. He is the son of Timothy P. and Patricia A. Hill of Jernigan Terrace, Leesburg. Hill is a 2006 graduate of Stone Bridge High School, Ashburn.

Army Reserve Pfc. Steven B. Antolik participated in the Army Reserve Command "Best Warrior" competition at Fort McCoy, Wis. Antolik, a military police member with one year of military service, is assigned to the Military Intelligence Readiness Command, Fort Belvoir, Fairfax. He is the son of Joseph M. and Deeanne H. Antolik of Hollymead Place, Potomac Falls. The private is a 2004 graduate of Potomac Falls High School.



Helping LAWS Inova Loudoun Hospital CEO Randy Kelley (right) and Chief Nurse Executive Lisa Dugan (left) presents Loudoun Abused Women's Shelter (LAWS) with a donation for \$850. Nicole Acosta, director of Youth and Children Services at LAWS accepted the donation. Inova staff raised the funds through silent auction baskets during Nurses Week 2009.

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Family Fest

The Washington Metro Area Lego User Group set up a train display outside of the Lord & Taylor store at Family Fest.



Laura Totoro and her son Owen watch the train display set up by the Washington Metro Area Lego User Group at Family Fest in Dulles Town Center on Saturday, Aug. 29.



Chief Chris Kenworthy gives a cooking demonstration at the Cookology Recreational Culinary School.



Independent distributor, Julia C. Duke, hands out free samples of Mona-Vie at the Cookology Recreational Culinary School.

Rotary Establishing Ashburn Branch

Local club leaders see promise in area's demographics.

BY ANSLEY LABARRE
THE CONNECTION

A new Rotary Club is being formed in Ashburn this fall through sponsorship from the Rotary Club of McLean. Rotary, known for its community service, sees promise in the young demographics of the Ashburn community.

Scott Mills, a former McLean club president, has been appointed to serve as the special representative during the formation of the Ashburn Club. Mills says Rotary's interest in the area developed from Ashburn's vibrancy, especially as the majority of residents are younger than 32 years old.

"We have an incorrect stereotype of being white-haired, backslapping businessmen," said Mills.

Like any other Rotary organization, the Ashburn club will be comprised of members who are a well-rounded representation of their community, including various career and service orientations. While there are no strict qualifications to becoming a Rotary member, Mills says it is crucial to have time and financial resources. The 10-year Rotarian recognizes the club is not a good fit for individuals who are just beginning their career path.

The current economic environment does not discourage Rotary members from undertaking the new club's formation. Paul Frank, president of the Rotary Club of McLean, says he believes Rotary's financial commitment is compa-



Scott Mills

rable to other community organizations. He has witnessed his own club sponsor the successful development of four other clubs in Northern Virginia, including Tysons Corner, Dunn Loring, Millennium and Centreville. Frank attributes this success to the longstanding members of the



McLean club, the majority of whom have often served in leadership positions and are valuable resources to other developing clubs. He further acknowledged the Rotary Club of McLean would not proceed with the Ashburn project without the proper market area studies predicting similar success.

Rather than dissuading, the recession only seems to further define the club's mission, according to Rotary leaders.

"When the economy is down, that's really the time we have to

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Walk for Homeless Seeks Large Turnout

BY EMILY CANAL
THE CONNECTION

Mark Gunderman, the vice chair on the board of directors for the Good Shepherd Alliance said sometimes it take a recession for people to think about issues like homelessness.

"People are feeling it now and starting to understand that poverty is everywhere," said Gunderman. "They have started to see the poverty and believe there is homelessness here."

The Good Shepherd Alliance is preparing for the fifth Walk for Shelter fundraiser for the homeless in Loudoun County on Sept. 19. Gunderman believes this year's 1.2-mile walk through historic Leesburg will have the largest turnout.

"We haven't been very successful but it takes time," said Gunderman, who has helped organize the walk for the past five years. "This is going to be a turning point and from here it will grow."

The Good Shepherd Alliance Walk for Shelter will donate all funds to the Good

Shepherd Alliance homeless shelter and programs. Gunderman said the money will go towards food, training for counselors, and pays staff members. He said it costs about \$64 a day to house someone in the Good Shepherd shelters.

Gunderman said the most successful year earned about \$7,000 in donations, but he hopes to beat that number this year.

The walk began in 2005 and about 60 people participated. In subsequent years, the GSA has worked with Fannie Mae to organize the walk.

"People thought we were a nuisance and just stared at us. We are bigger this year and trying to reach out to the community."

— Mark Gunderman, vice chair, board of directors, Good Shepherd Alliance

However, in 2007 interest grew and about 120 people marched through Leesburg.

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PEOPLE



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Kenny Lowe speaks with Dr. Vivian Kim of Palmercare Chiropractic.

OPEN HOUSE LISTINGS
Will Return



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Bringing Family and Community Together

The First Annual Family Community Day at the First Baptist Church on Aug. 22 had a variety of booths including Palmercare Chiropractic and PNC Bank. Children enjoyed the face painting, cotton candy, slushies, popcorn, caricatures, hot dogs and hamburgers and live music. The church's next major event is Friday Night Live on Oct. 11.

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Brianna Jasper, 5, spins the wheel at the PNC Bank booth with Patrick Perscky.



Working at one of the booths is Tinna Bradley and Felicia Roney.



Kyra Young, 21 months, in pants, and Darcy Marcoux, 20 months, in dress, have fun at First Baptist Church's Family Community Day.



Alisha Jain, 8, is drawn by artist Mike Haddon of About Faces.

HERNDON ANIMAL MEDICAL CENTER
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Dr. Higdon is a 2008 graduate of The Virginia-Maryland College of Veterinary Medicine and recently completed an internship at Veterinary Referral Associates in Gaithersburg, Maryland where she received advanced training in Internal Medicine, Surgery, Oncology, Ophthalmology, Radiology, Neurology and Critical Care from Board Certified Specialists.

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Residents march in last year's Good Shepherd Alliance Walk for Shelter.

Walk To Raise Funds for Shelter

FROM PAGE 3

"People thought we were a nuisance and just stared at us," Gunderman said. "We are bigger this year and trying to reach out to the community."

Gunderman said the GSA's student board of directors believes there will be large turnout for youth participants this year.

"Young people are going to change the world and I want to see them out walking," Gunderman said. "They can do so much but it is hard to reach them."

Donations will be collected through registration for the walk. Adults must pay \$20 and youth between the ages of 10 and 18 are charged \$15. Children under 10 years old can register for free.

"The reason I do it is because the homeless don't

walk or talk for themselves," said Joy Trickett, the board chair of the Good Shepherd Alliance, who has marched in previous years. "It's one way to say we hear you and we walk the walk for you."

Participants will gather at the Douglass School Pavilion on the corners of Sycolin Road and East Market Street. The walk will continue on East Market Street and turn on Loudoun Street. Participants will march on King Street, again on East Market Street, then Harrison Street before ending at the Douglass School.

Following the walk will be a moon bounce, face painting, balloon animals and free grilled hot dogs, donated by the Common Ground Church. TD Bank will also donate bottled water prior to the march and provide an ice-pop donation booth.

Rotary Establishing Ashburn Branch

FROM PAGE 3

roll up our sleeves and start helping our community," said Mills.

The Ashburn Club's service projects will be determined as its members are recruited. Mills says the Rotary Club of McLean has done everything from sponsoring blood drives to collecting winter coats. As a representation of their community, the Ashburn club members will have the responsibility of determining the projects that will be of most value to the area.

While these Rotary leaders acknowledge their first goal is ambitious, they are hoping to complete the Ashburn club formation by the end of the calendar year. They will need to recruit new members, adopt charter laws, and elect officers to enforce the administrative aspect that keeps the club running efficiently. Frank said the biggest challenge will be getting the Rotary name out in the young Ashburn community.

"It's the kind of calling you have to be ready for in your life cycle," said Frank. "It's a great area and it's got all the marks of success on it."



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Nov 21	Heritage High School 520 Evergreen Mill Rd, Leesburg

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NOW THROUGH SEPT. 17

Photography Exhibit Open Spaces.

The GW University Virginia Campus is hosting the Loudoun Photography Club exhibit Open Spaces in the Research 1 Gallery Lounge, 20101 Academic Way, Ashburn. Call 703-726-3650

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 2

Song Circle. 7 p.m. Bring a song you'd like to sing and teach it to the group. For all ages. At Cascades Library, 21030 Whitfield Place, Potomac Falls.

Re-Kindling the Jewish Faith. 7:30-9 p.m. Free program entitled "Kindling and Re-kindling the Jewish Faith in Your Home — High Holidays 101" to discuss Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur in a casual and comfortable setting with our Rabbi and members of the Interfaith Committee. At Beth Chaverim Reform Congregation, 21740 Beaumeade Circle, Suite 100, Ashburn. Go to www.bcrva.org.

FRIDAY/SEPT. 4

Wine, Mystery, Murder and History.

7 p.m. \$5. Join Ellen Crosby as she shares how her fascination with local history found its way into each of her four Virginia wine country mysteries. At the Loudoun Museum, 16 Loudoun St., SW, Leesburg. Call 703-777-7427.

Beach Bumz (Jimmy Buffet Tribune).

7:30-10:30 p.m. Lansdowne Resort's Free Summer Concert Series — on the Terrace. Executive Chef Jason Lage and the culinary team will be offering a variety of fresh grilled foods. Call 877-509-8400 or visit www.lansdowneresort.com.

Flu Shots. 2-9 p.m. Inova Loudoun Hospital Mobile Health Services will offer flu shot clinics. Cost is \$25. At Cascades HOA, Lowes Island Club House, 47620 Saulty Dr., Potomac Falls. Call 703-750-8800 (or call 1-877-895-5BUG, toll-free, if calls to the 703 area code is a long-distance call) or visit inova.org/flu.

MOMS Club of Sterling East. 10-11 a.m. All members meeting. At the Sterling Community Center, 120 Enterprise St., Sterling. Open to current and prospective members.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 5

Car Wash. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Chick-fil-A near Sam's Club in Sterling. All proceeds will go to the Stone Bridge Marching Band.

Flu Shots. 2-9 p.m. Inova Loudoun Hospital Mobile Health Services will offer flu shot clinics. Cost is \$25. At Dulles Town Center, Near Center Court, 21100 Dulles Town Circle, Dulles. Call 703-750-8800 (or call 1-877-895-5BUG, toll-free, if calls to the 703 area code is a long-distance call) or visit inova.org/flu.

SEPT. 5-22

Museum Clean-Up Days. The Smithsonian's Naturalist Center in Leesburg will close for two weeks for its annual collections care and clean up. Mammals, birds, and skeletons are dusted, insects pinned, specimens repaired, and all 36,000 objects and books put back in their place. The Center is located at 741 Miller Drive, SE, Suite G2, Leesburg. Call 703-779-9712 or toll free at 1 800-729-7725.

TUESDAY/SEPT. 8

Flu Shots. 9 a.m. to noon. Inova Loudoun Hospital Mobile Health Services will offer flu shot clinics. Cost



The Mothers of Multiples Children's Consignment Sale will take place Saturday, Sept. 12 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Countryside Elementary School, 20624 Countryside Blvd., Sterling.

is \$25. At the Senior Center at Cascades, 21060 Whitfield Place, Sterling. Call 703-750-8800 (or call 1-877-895-5BUG, toll-free, if calls to the 703 area code is a long-distance call) or visit inova.org/flu.

THURSDAY/SEPT. 10

Pokemon Card Trading. 4 p.m. For ages 5-12. At the Sterling Library, 120 Enterprise St., Sterling. Go to <http://library.loudoun.gov>.

FRIDAY/SEPT. 11

Countryside Women's Club Meets. 9:30 a.m. The speaker, a chef from Cookology Recreational Culinary School, will provide tips on cooking and some tasty tidbits. At the Parkway Pool Meeting Room, Angonkian Parkway in Countryside.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 12

September Book Swap. 10 a.m. to noon. Trade your used books for more great reading. Books on tape/CD, music CD's VHS/DVD movies are welcome. At the Claude Moore Community Center, 46111 Loudoun Park Lane, Sterling.

Children's Consignment Sale. 9 a.m. to noon. At the Countryside Elementary School, 20624 Countryside Blvd., Sterling. The sale fills the gym and cafeteria with children's toys, equipment, strollers, beds, highchairs, spring/summer clothing, maternity clothing, and much more in good, clean condition. Sizes range from infant through pre-teen. The sale is sponsored by the Loudoun Fairfax Mothers of Multiples club with over 100 families selling.

Vertical Horizon and Pat McGee. Gates open at 5 p.m. \$20 advance, \$25 gate, \$35 gold circle. Part of the Loudoun Summer Music Fest. At Belmont Country Club, 19661 Belmont Manor Lane, Ashburn.

Charity Hockey Classic Fund-Raiser. 2-5 p.m. Reston Raiders vs. Ashburn Xtreme coaches to raise money for Inova Blood Donor Services. At Ashburn Ice House. Contact Tony Pane at tppane@aol.com or Rob Lorenzen at rlorenzen@ashburnice.com or visit www.charityhockeyclassic.com

Run for Robbie. 9 a.m. Third-annual 5K/1 Mile run/walk. At Morven Park Equestrian Center in Leesburg. All proceeds will benefit Care Code, Inc., a non-profit organization dedicated to



The Pat McGee Band.



Vertical Horizon.

empowering spinal cord injury survivors. Care Code, Inc. is also hosting a benefit dinner, An Evening at the Lakes, Sept. 12 from 6 to 11 p.m. at the Lakes Recreation Center in Ashburn Village. The cost is \$50 per ticket. The dinner will include catering by Romano's Macaroni Grill, an open bar (Soda, Beer and Wine), a DJ, Auctions, Raffles and much more. Visit www.carecode.org/events

SEPT. 14-OCT. 26

Teen Reading Buddies Storytime. Mondays, 4:30-5:30 p.m. At the Ashburn Library, 43316 Hay Rd., Ashburn. Go to <http://library.loudoun.gov>.

MONDAY/SEPT. 14

Noodle Doodle Art for Preschoolers. Add a creative dimension to your family's reading fun! For ages 3-5 with a parent or caregiver. At the Ashburn Library, 43316 Hay Road, Ashburn. Register at library.loudoun.gov or call 703-737-8100.

TUESDAY/SEPT. 15

Diary of a Wimpy Kid Day. 4 p.m. Fun activities based on the book Diary of a Wimpy Kid Day by author Jeff Kinney. Materials provided. For ages 8-11. At Cascades Library, 21030 Whitfield Place, Potomac Falls. Register online at library.loudoun.gov or call 703-444-3228.

Wii Games. 4 p.m. Bring your family and test your skills on a variety of Nintendo Wii games. At the Sterling Library, 120 Enterprise St., Sterling. Go to <http://library.loudoun.gov>.

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SCHOOLS

Applications for the Loudoun County Youth Advisory Council Board of Governors are still being accepted for students representing the following high schools: Heritage, Freedom, Park View, Potomac Falls, and Stone Bridge. There are also openings for representatives from the home school community. Applications are available on loudounteens.org and will be accepted until all positions are filled. The Youth Advisory Council Board of Governors will work on a variety of projects during the



Photo of "Potomac View," an oil on canvas by Sarita Moffat, is one of many artworks on display at the Loudoun County Government Center.

SEPT. 4-OCT. 30

Continuing the Tradition Exhibit. 16 artists will be on Display in Gallery One at the Loudoun County Government Center, 1 Harrison Street, S.E., Leesburg. The artists whose work will be on loan for the two-year period are: Trisha Adams, Zeynep Baki, Mary Champion, Norma Coleman, Catherine Hillis, Linda Holtslander, Carmen Barros Howell, Janie Jones, Dell Keathley, Dee Leggett, Sarita Moffat, Ann Noel, Libby Stevens, Dan Williams, Dagmar Wilson and the late June McAdams. Call 703-771-5128.

2009-2010 school year including the annual YouthFest celebration and community service projects. The Council will also host a series of Battle of the Bands events. Interested applicants can call 703-737-8335 or send email inquires to yac@loudoun.gov.

Luan Pham of Sterling qualified for the Spring 2009 Semester Honors List at Fairleigh Dickinson University's Metropolitan campus.

Kaitlyn S. Curran of Potomac Falls, a senior majoring in interdisciplinary studies in the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences, was one of 127 Hokie Ambassadors who volunteered for the Office of Undergraduate Admissions at Virginia Tech during the 2008-09 academic year. Hokie Ambassadors are student tour guides who show prospective students and their families around the Virginia Tech campus.

A project proposed by **Matthew Cleveland** of Potomac Falls has been chosen for the inaugural round of funding from the Jefferson Public Citizens program at the University of Virginia. Cleveland is the son of Ed and Alexis Cleveland and a graduate of Potomac Falls High School. He is a fourth-year student at U.Va. majoring in systems engineering.

The Volunteer Loudoun (VL) Board of Directors has selected the 2009 Student Volunteer Scholarship recipients. Through the Student Scholarship Program, graduating seniors in Loudoun County public school and the C.S. Monroe Technology Center, as well as private school and home-schooled seniors, are eligible for at least a \$500 scholarship. The 2009 Student Volunteer Scholarship recipients of \$500 are:

Broad Run High School: Catherine Casares, Haley Detrich, Jacqueline Glass and Sarah Hanby

Dominion High School: Rebecca Smith

Park View High School: Sarah Taylor

Potomac Falls High: Abha Ardra and Katharine Colfelt

The Art Institutes system of schools announced the opening of a new school in Sterling: The Art Institute of Washington — Northern Virginia, a branch of The Art Institute of Atlanta, will hold its first day of classes on Oct. 5. The new school will occupy 19,000 square feet at 21000 Atlantic Boulevard in Sterling. The school will begin enrolling students immediately.

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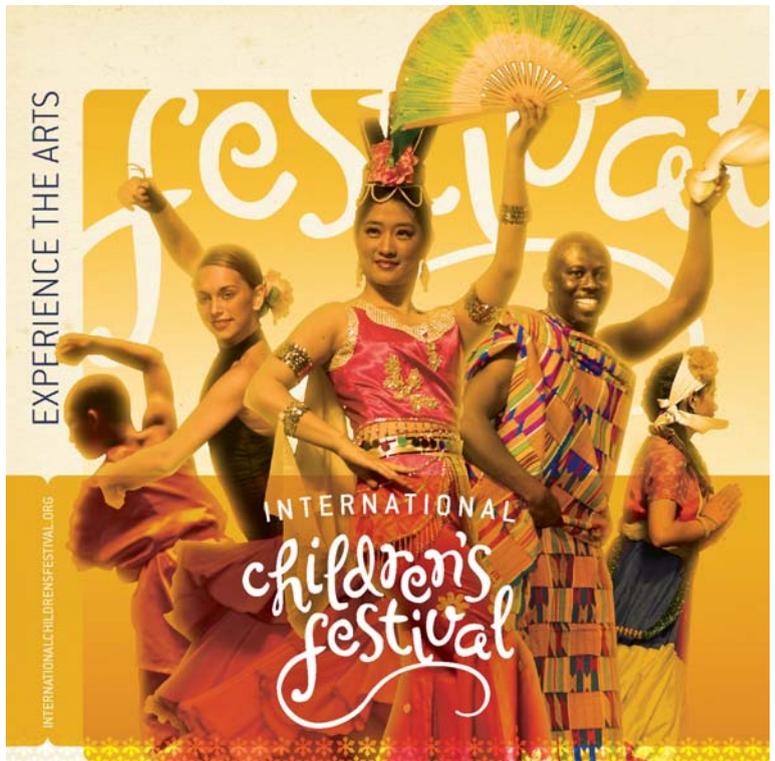


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Sherando Spoils Park View Football Opener

Visiting Warriors win sloppily played game on last second field goal.

BY RICH SANDERS
THE CONNECTION

In so many ways, the Park View High football team's season-opening showing last Friday night was typical of the emotional roller coaster fans expect to see in the first week of prep school action. The home team Patriots, in their down-to-the-wire, 24-21, non-district loss to visiting Sherando (Stephens City), showcased plenty of good things that could indicate a big season ahead. On the other hand, the Patriots made too many mis-haps to prevent what could have been a truly riveting victory for a highly successful program that stumbled to an uncharacteristic 3-7 record last year.

"It's a really tough loss," summed up Park View senior two-way lineman Robert Hayes, who contributed a sack and all-around stellar play during his team's disappointing defeat, which became official when Sherando junior kicker Justin Haines' 43-yard field goal barely cleared the crossbar on the game's final play.

Once the game-winning kick was made, a particularly impressive boot considering the field was wet and muddy due to rain earlier that evening, the victorious Warriors celebrated with joy as their large, traveling fandom roared their appreciation from the stadium's visiting side bleachers. The Park View players, meanwhile, were naturally stunned and the home crowd hushed as the reality of the defeat set in.

It was a game in which Park View, which got touchdowns from each of its three units — offense, defense and special teams — could have won had it protected the football better offensively. But five turnovers were, in the end, too much for the Patriots to overcome.



Tommy Sedeski scored on a 66 yard punt return in the first quarter to give the Patriots an early lead last Friday night at Park View.

"The turnovers are absolutely unacceptable," said veteran Park View head coach Andy Hill, whose team will hit the road the next three weeks against non-district foes Millbrook (Winchester) and Liberty, along with Dulles District and defending state AA champion rival Broad Run, before returning home again on Oct. 2 for a contest against district opponent Loudoun County.

THE SLOPPY FIELD conditions certainly played a factor in a game which saw both teams combine for nine turnovers. Park View's offense was limited to 157 total yards (84 rushing) as Sherando's stingy defense limited the Patriots to just five first downs on the night. Even so, Park View, behind a first quarter punt return of 66 yards for a score by Tommy Sedeski and a second quarter, 55-yard interception runback by Michael Devaney, took a 14-7 lead into halftime.

However, Sherando struck for two long offensive scoring strikes in the third quarter — a 32-yard run by running back Roger Smith and a 50-yard passing play between quarterback Corey Rice and receiver Dalton

Boyd — to take a 21-14 lead into the final quarter.

Park View, following the touchdown that gave the Warriors their 21-14 lead, answered quickly by moving 58 yards on three plays on its ensuing possession, the game-tying score coming when senior QB Brandon Lee and all-purpose skill position standout Sedeski combined for a touchdown on a shuttle pass play in which Sedeski, after catching the short range pass, bolted towards the right side of the field before diving towards the hash mark and barely over the end zone for the score which, following the point after kick by Kevin Flamenco, made it 21-all early in the final quarter.

"The play opened up perfectly," said Sedeski, of the touchdown. "Brandon Lee read it perfectly and shuttled me the ball."

But late in the game, Sherando's Boyd came up with one of the biggest plays of the night when, from his defensive backfield position, he intercepted a long pass from QB Lee before making a long return. Sherando netted 15 more yards on the return as a result of a Park View penalty. As a

result of the long interception return and penalty, Sherando was set up at the Park View 25-yard line with just nine seconds left to play. The Warriors attempted one pass play, an incompleteness, before sending in its field goal unit. Haines, the Warriors' kicker, had missed a 35-yard field goal earlier in the game. But, with the game on the line in the waning seconds, he nailed his second attempt of the night as the scoreboard clock's final seconds ticked away.

Ever since a season-ending loss to Broad Run last year, the Patriots have looked forward to the 2009 season and erasing the memory of the losing '08 season. Park View, learning it would open this fall campaign against a Sherando program that eliminated it from the region playoffs two years ago, especially looked forward to a season-opening meeting with the Warriors. In the end, Park View gave the Warriors all they could handle before falling short.

"We've been preparing for this game since last November," said Sedeski, who finished the night with two touchdowns. "We knew we had them scheduled for week one. To see it end [on a game-winning kick] is tough."

Smith, Sherando's go-to running back, rushed for 184 yards and two touchdowns on 36 carries. Park View's defense was focused on stopping Smith and often held him to short gains. But the 6-foot, 175-pound halfback had seven carries in which he gained 10 or more yards.

"He's a big play back," said Hill. "I'd give their offensive line credit and the coach who was calling the plays credit."

For Park View, QB Lee (six completions for 73 yards, 1 TD, 3 interceptions) struggled at times, but played better in the second half. One of the game's best plays occurred when he threw a ball down the left side of the field to Sedeski for 38 yards late in the third quarter, setting up the Patriots' lone offensive touchdown two plays later.

"I think Brandon is one of the best athletes in the district," said Hill. "He is our quarterback."

SPORTS BRIEFS

Golf Tournament

The Dulles Airport Rotary Club will once again present the Opportunities Open Golf Tournament on Sept. 28 at Hidden Creek Country Club in Reston. Since its inception, the tournament has been an event dedicated to making a positive impact in the lives of people with disabilities.

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missions of these four organizations fulfills one of the basic objectives of Rotary: serving others in the local community. Proceeds from the event will enable the charities to provide work transportation to a person in need, or the means for someone to live in a group home, or overcome barriers in their lives.

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mand of the United States and Canada. This year's sponsors will also include organizations such as The Volkswagen Group of America and Omniplex World Services.

For more information on participation, or to become a tournament sponsor, please contact the Dulles Rotary Club Opportunities Open Committee at 703-406-8200, ext. 24.

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Island Man No More



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

And no, I am not referring to a recent excursion to the West Indies. Hardly. What I am referring to is a feeling I've been having, occasionally. Actually, what I've felt is more like a man on an island. That is to say, once my six-time, "normal" protocol of chemotherapy ended (as per the "standard of care"), thereby ending the proactive portion of my cancer treatment, I felt like a man on an island - not exactly deserted, but nevertheless alone - left to my own devices to fight the cancer that somehow has found its way into this life-long non-smoker's lungs.

Until the "study" option was presented to me. And I jumped (almost literally) at it. Something, almost anything seemed better than nothing. And to follow up last week's column, I am now happy (extremely happy) to report that not only was I accepted into the study (per the results of my CT scan, bone scan, MRI brain scan, lab work and physical exam), I have been randomly selected as well to actually receive the oral chemo medication: four pills at night, preferably at bedtime, 21 days on, seven days off for six months, assuming all goes well, with more regular scans than I would otherwise be receiving if I were not part of this study; not under the normal "standard of care," so I feel very lucky. (If I recall correctly, even if I were not receiving the medication, I would still be receiving the same level of care/monitoring; scans, exams, etc. as those who were randomly selected. My results would be evaluated as a means of comparison.)

So we're off to the races. Off to see the Wizard. Off to see if I will be one of the few, the proud, non-Marines to benefit from this experimental oral chemotherapy (the side effects of which are hardly worth mentioning or even anticipated, I've been told). And I can honestly say that after 10 days, I feel great, with no side effects to report. (I realize that 10 days does not yet define a study's results but so far as positively-affecting me, attitude-wise, the medication has been a huge success). Moreover, from everything I've heard and read about being a cancer patient, maintaining a positive attitude is crucial to one's health care.

And to make my post-chemo life even less "lonely," my oncologist is keeping me on one of the infusing chemotherapy drugs (the 30-minute one, Avastin) every three weeks as per usual, to help maintain what tumor shrinkage/continuing non-growth I've been fortunate to have. A few weeks ago, I thought I was finished with my treatment (unless and until ...), and now I'm proactively pursuing a two-front attack; the maintenance chemo and the oral chemo, two for the price of one, compared to what might have been none. Talk about feeling empowered and definitely not alone.

Ever since I was accepted into this study and selected to receive the medication, I no longer feel like a man on an island. Now I feel like I'm on the pitcher's mound at Fenway Park (someplace I always dreamed of being) in the middle of 40,000 screaming fans cheering me on.

It's not just what I needed, it's what I wanted - to be part of a team fighting together against a common enemy.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Neighborhood Stabilization Program Plus and Silver Lining Program funds and CDBG-R funds listed below have been reviewed under a tiered environmental review process per HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58.15, and are hereby being considered for a Notice of Intent to Request a Release of Funds (NOI/RROF). The activities proposed are categorically excluded from NEPA requirements under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58. Additional information is contained in the Environmental Review Records (ERRs) for each activity under the Neighborhood Stabilization Plan Plus and Silver Lining Program (NSP-SL), Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP) and the Community Development Block Grant - Recovery Program (CDBG-R) program at the Fairfax County, Virginia, Department of Housing and Community Development, 3700 Pender Drive, Fairfax, Virginia 22030-7444, and may be examined or copied upon request, weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

1. Program title: Neighborhood Stabilization Program Plus and Silver Lining Program (NSP-SL)

Location: Countywide but mostly focused in these neighborhoods: Springfield, Alexandria (Route 1/Fairfax County), Centerville, Chantilly, Lorton, and Town of Herndon.

Purpose of Project: NSP-Plus funds will be provided to non-profits to purchase and rehabilitate foreclosed properties, for use as affordable rental housing. The properties will be rented to households whose incomes are at or below 50% AMI.

Total Cost: \$ 1,000,000 NSP-Plus funds

2. Program title: Community Development Block Grant - Recovery Program (CDBG-R)

Location: The following Fairfax County Redevelopment and Housing Authority properties including: Little River Glen, Little River Square, Penderbrook, Murraygate, McLean Hills, as well as Sunrise House group home and various units countywide owned by non-profit organizations.

Purpose of Project: CDBG-R funds will be used for Categorically Excluded rehabilitation at the moderate income rental housing developments listed above.

Total Cost: \$ 1,610,504 CDBG-R funds

3. Program title: Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP)

Location: Countywide

Purpose of Project: The primary use of these funds will be for homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing activities. Specific services include (but are not limited to) rent and utility assistance, security deposits, housing search and community-based case management. Approximately \$910,000 is allocated for Prevention Services, and approximately \$1,350,000 is allocated for Rapid Re-Housing Services. Fairfax County has been awarded \$2,462,398 in HPRP funds. Of the remaining amount, \$123,119 is allocated for administrative costs, and \$79,279 is to be used for meeting HUD data collection and reporting requirements.

Total Cost: \$ 2,462,398 HPRP funds

The County of Fairfax, Virginia, has determined that the above-listed project(s) will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required.

RECORDS AVAILABILITY

Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Records (ERRs) for the above-listed projects at the Fairfax County, Virginia, Department of Housing and Community Development, 3700 Pender Drive, Fairfax, Virginia 22030-6039, and may be examined or copied, upon request, weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency disagreeing with the County of Fairfax, Virginia, determinations or wishing to comment on the projects may submit written comments to the Fairfax County Department of Housing and Community Development. All comments received by 4:30 p.m. on **Wednesday, September 9, 2009**, will be considered by the Fairfax County, Virginia, Department of Housing and Community Development prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Commenters should specify which part of this Notice they are addressing.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The County of Fairfax, Virginia, certifies to HUD that Anthony H. Griffin, in his capacity as County Executive, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the Department of Housing and Community Development of Fairfax County, Virginia, to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will consider objections to its release of funds for Neighborhood Stabilization Program Plus-Silver Lining Program, the Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program, as well as for Community Development Block Grant-Recovery Program funds. Send objections to the HUD Richmond Field Office, Environmental Office, 600 E. Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23219-1800, Attention: Mr. Kerry Johnson, 1-800-842-2610 x4803; and to: HUD Washington, D.C. Field Office, 820 First Street NE, Suite 450, Washington, D.C. 20002-4255, Attention: Mrs. Frances Bush, 202-275-9200. Objections should be received by **Wednesday, Sept. 29, 2009**, or a period of fifteen days from its receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer or other officer of the County of Fairfax, Virginia, approved by HUD; (b) the County of Fairfax has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in a project have committed funds, incurred costs, or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality.

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SPORTS



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At FedEx Field

The Central Loudoun County Cardinals took on the Beacon House Falcons of Washington, D.C. at FedEx Field on Friday, Aug. 28, as part of youth football celebration during half-time, hosted by the Washington Redskins and USA Football, the sport's national governing body on youth and amateur levels.

SPORTS BRIEFS

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Fit Kids Classes

Claude Moore Recreation Center is hosting a variety of Fit Kids classes for children ages 2-to-6 beginning Sept. 14. Classes include a variety of sports, Fit Kids Fitness, Mommy and Me Classes and more. Morning and afternoon sessions are available. Secure your spot today. Call the Recreation Center for more details and registration at 571-258-3600.

'Well Strung' To Nationals

The Leesburg "Well Strung" ladies 3.5 tennis team, coached by Don Barker, will compete at Nationals this October in Tucson, Ariz. There, the local team, a member of the Shenandoah League, will represent the Mid Atlantic Region. Barker's team won the Shenandoah League title during the USTA season before finishing second in the district tournament in July, qualifying it for the Wild Card draw of the Sectional Championships.

"Well Strung" dominated at Sectionals where it finished ahead of teams from Virginia Beach and Maryland.

"This is a very exciting time for us competing on a National level with players from across the country and is a dream come true," said team captain Joy Fletcher. "I have a wonderful, cohesive team that works hard, is determined to win and is honored to represent the Mid Atlantic region at the National Tennis Championship."

Charity Hockey Classic

It's an exciting moment when an entire community rallies around an event to aid a local non-profit organization. And that's what's happening with the Charity Hockey Classic, an event scheduled to take place on Saturday, Sept. 12 at the Ashburn Ice House.

The Classic will take the form of a match-up between two local rival hockey clubs, the Reston Raiders and the Ashburn Xtreme. But it won't be just the youth players (ages 6 to 17) who will compete in the fun-filled contest. Also competing will be the coaches from the respective teams.

While the game will be for bragging rights, it will also raise funds for Inova Blood Donor Services in support of their quest to purchase a new bloodmobile. The game will take begin at 2 p.m. Tickets, priced \$10 per person, are now on sale through the event Web site at charityhockeyclassic.com.

The event has drawn the financial and promotional support of several organizations, including CBRE, Cox Communications, the Washington Capitals and Papa John's Pizza.

The Capitals have chipped in, providing several of the silent auction items as well as a live appearance by their fine-feathered mascot, Slapshot.

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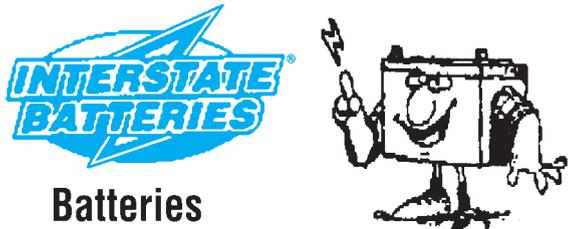
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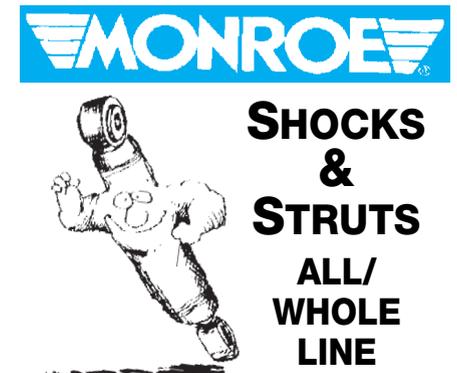
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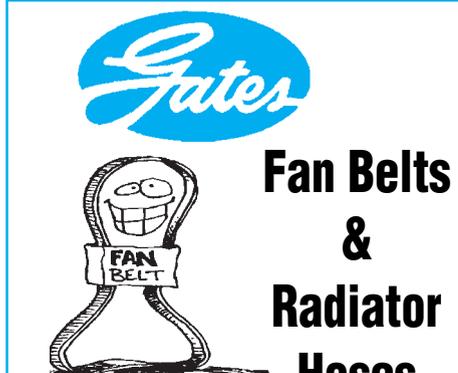
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