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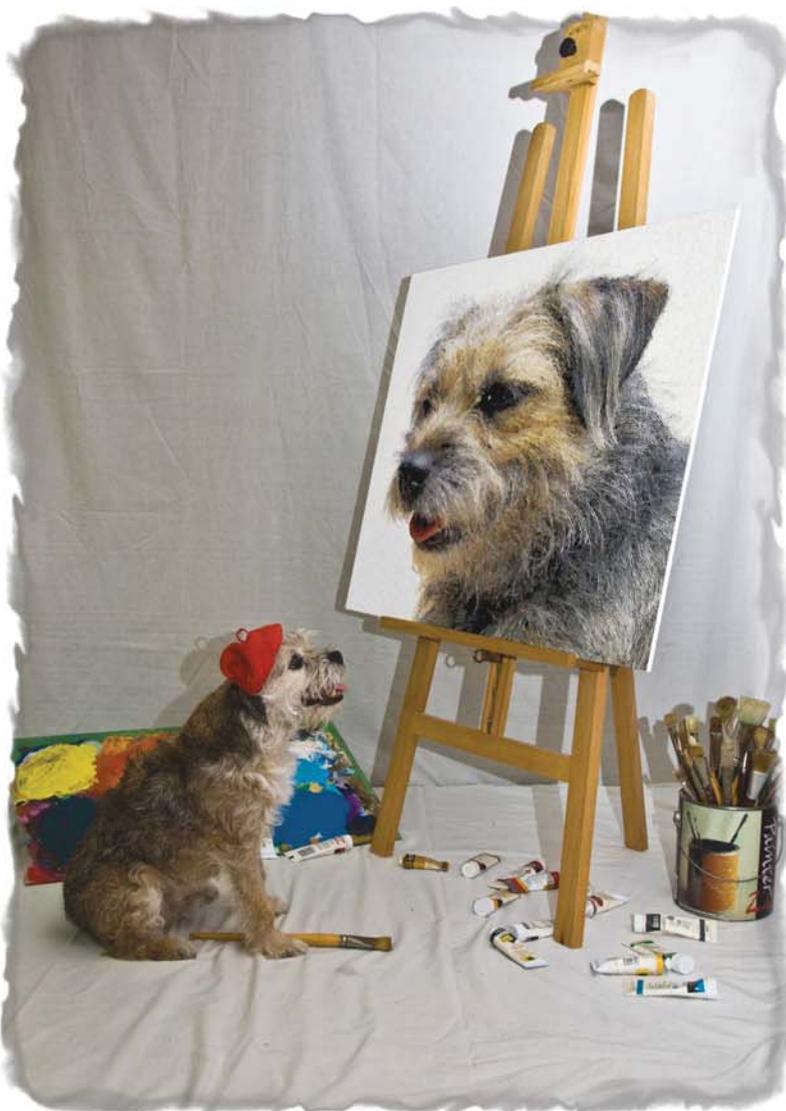


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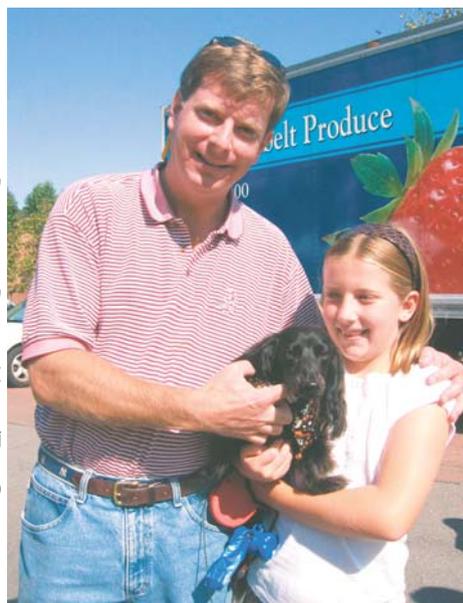


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This event is a benefit for Great Falls School of Art, administered by the non-profit Great Falls Foundation for the Arts. The 6th Annual Great Falls Art Studios Tour is supported by the Virginia Commission for the Arts, the Arts Council of Fairfax County, Great Falls Foundation for the Arts and the Great Falls Business & Professional Association.



Julie Pagano, owner, Simply Bows, and Brooke Angolia of Vienna Pediatric Dentistry, talk with customers and to one another.



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Kaitlin Bonacci, her dad, Vienna dental surgeon Christopher Bonacci, and Halloween-attired pup, Skittle, browse through the food court on Dominion Road. The Bonaccis came in from McLean.



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Former CIA museum curator Linda McCarthy with Vienna residents Sandy and Doug Smith and Jan Beatey and Fran Snyder, at Patrick Henry Library's spycraft presentation on Sept. 21. Camera lenses ranged to several feet long.

Oktoberfest Is Food, Fun and Shopping

Second Annual VTRCC Oktoberfest lives up to expectations.

BY DONNA MANZ
THE CONNECTION

The Second Annual VTRCC Oktoberfest came off much like the first one did, unseasonably warm weather, sunny clear blue sky and pets and people of all ages, from babies to seniors, strolling down Church, Mill and Dominion streets. What was different, however, was the expanded footprint of the festival sponsored by the Vienna-Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce [VTRCC] and the Town of Vienna.

A greater number of vendors participated this year and the food definitely had a German accent, from the wurst and goulash of Maplewood Grill to the lebkuchen and strudel of the German Gourmet to the German-made accessories of Vienna's own Euro Goods. In between was Vienna's popular Bazin's on Church, barbecue, pretzels and beer — German beer, American beer and root beer.

VTRCC member, interior designer and home stager, Debbie Jo Wheatley lives in Centreville now, but her father remains in Vienna. Wheatley said she could have joined other chambers of commerce but chose Vienna's because it felt "like coming home. That's what I like about Vienna ... that small-town feeling."

The Dominick Donald family of Vienna, who recently arrived from Great Britain, said they were really



Jason Clark, his wife Inga, and children, Galina, 3, and baby brother, Kirin, appreciated the children's activity area.



Chamber member, Debbie Jo Wheatley, VTRCC incoming Chair Gina Cocomello, U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11), and Wheatley associate, Marianne Donnini, chat for a bit.

having a good time. Mom Kirsten liked the band playing oompah music the most.

By noon, an hour after its opening, the Oktoberfest grounds were packed. Alte Kamaraden kicked off the festival with traditional oompah music and the beer/food garden filled up by lunch time. Just about all children's activities were free, sponsored by local businesses and art and educational societies. The Vienna Volunteer Fire Department pulled up its antique fire truck for children to scramble over. In the Lego booth, budding architects brought home their masterpieces.

Politicians and elected officials greeted visitors, and many vendors handed out free promotional materials, from children's toothbrushes to herb dips. Dog-sitters, builders and banks had set up shop. Even Scooby Doo, the K9Rockstar, was there — in lederhosen and sun glasses, of course — to pose for photos.

Kaitlin Bonacci, 10, said her family came in specifically for Oktoberfest because they used to live in Vienna.

"We support all the Vienna businesses when we can, especially Bazin's," said Dr. Christopher Bonacci, Vienna dental surgeon who was visiting from his home in McLean with his family.

Jason and Inga Clark of Vienna brought their children to Oktoberfest because, Inga said, "Our daughter anxiously awaits all kinds of community events in Vienna."

Spycraft in Vienna

Former CIA museum curator brings tools of the trade to life.

BY DONNA MANZ
THE CONNECTION

It could be the setting for a spy novel. A secret agency with a secret museum bringing to life the accoutrements of spies and spying. Only it's for real. It's Central Intelligence Agency with its very own spy museum. Former CIA museum curator Linda McCarthy spoke to a packed Patrick Henry library audience on Sept. 21 about the history of spycraft. She accompanied her presentation with authentic tools of the trade and slides.

"There's a subcurrent of spying in American history," McCarthy said. "Spying has always been there." George Washington, McCarthy said, counted on intelligence to thwart British forces.

McCarthy, who spent 24 years with the CIA before retiring, lived in Reston and Herndon during part of that time. She said that most of her collection was "gifted," although she has gotten some of her treasures online personally. From a "burial" tube to preserved dog-doo, McCarthy displayed representative spycraft tools.

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COMMUNITY

Spies Meet at Vienna Inn

Local writer sets spy novel locally.

By DONNA MANZ
THE CONNECTION

Who knew that Vienna and McLean were such hotbeds of international intrigue?

For starters, prominent suspense writers John Gilstrap and Patricia Cornwell did, and now, McLean's Karetta Hubbard and co-author Molly Best Tinsley know that, too.

Together, Hubbard and Tinsley co-wrote "Satan's Chamber," a spy thriller that weaves together CIA, military and Sudanese characters and plants them in familiar places — Vienna and McLean — and places that rested on the authors' research, as the Sudan did.

"We both wanted two things from our spy thriller," said Hubbard. "The first was to 'thrill,' to provoke the heart-pounding emotional intensity that makes people want to keep turning the pages. At the same time, we wanted to address fundamental human concerns like survival and the heroic struggle between right and wrong."

On Sept. 27, at the Vienna Inn, where government intelligence officers Maud and Johnny make important plans, the authors hosted a launch and readings from "Satan's Chamber." The Inn was packed with friends, family and coworkers, who cheered on the launch of Hubbard and Tinsley's first spy novel.

About half of the novel takes place in McLean, at various locations around Route 123 ... the CIA headquarters, near the Tysons Galleria, and along the Vienna Route 123/Chain Bridge Road corridor.

"The VI [Vienna Inn] is an institution in Vienna," said Hubbard. "When we needed a clandestine meeting spot, we thought, 'What better place than this?'"

"In most spy thrillers, the main character is male," said Tinsley. "We wanted to create a female operative, a woman working in national clandestine services." From that vision, CIA operative Tory Pierce was born. The director of intelligence, also a woman, meets secretly with an admiral at a back corner table at the Vienna Inn where they make plans affecting Pierce. Pierce must reach out to sources in the Sudan to protect her name, career and reputation.

THE CO-AUTHORS MET 30 years ago on a tennis court in Reston; their daughters are the same age and Hubbard and Tinsley forged a friendship that took them beyond their comfort zone, culminating in a novel of international intrigue. From Hubbard's home in McLean to Tinsley's in Oregon, the authors



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Molly Best Tinsley, former Reston resident, and Karetta Hubbard of McLean co-authored 'Satan's Chamber,' a spy novel set in Vienna, McLean and the Sudan.

swapped chapters by e-mail. It wasn't that difficult, Hubbard said. "The characters tell you what's going to happen next. You listen to them."

While many of the novel's scenes play out in Vienna, McLean and Tysons Corner, the thrust of the action lies in the Sudan. Learning about the complex structures in the Sudan, to ensure authenticity, was a significant research project for the co-authors.

Writing is a learning experience, Tinsley said.

Hubbard's McLean neighbor, Dianne Lipsey, was one of Hubbard's supporters at the Vienna Inn. "I would guess she approached this with a huge amount of creativity, and then researched it thoroughly for content," said Lipsey. "I'm sure this will be a great collaboration."

HUBBARD IS CO-FOUNDER of NewPoint Strategies, LLC, a consulting firm specializing in high-risk management issues. The CIA was a client of Hubbard's 20 years ago. She moved to

McLean in 1993.

Molly Best Tinsley, a professor emeritus from the U.S. Naval Academy, currently lives in Oregon. Her sister and brother-in-law live in McLean and she makes intermittent visits back to the area to visit with them, her daughter and granddaughter in Maryland, and to collaborate with Hubbard.

"Satan's Chamber" is available at www.amazon.com and www.Satanschamber.com.

History of Spycraft Presented

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Sandy and Doug Smith of Vienna were excited about the presentation. "It's neat seeing those spikes, the things that puncture tires, and the burial tube," said Sandy Smith. Doug Smith enjoyed learning about Moe Berg. "He was a Washington Senator and a spy. That's neat."

THE OSS OPERATED, at least, nine secret training grounds in the country during World War II and the Cold War. In what is now Prince William Forest Park in Triangle, Va., the OSS — precursor to today's CIA — ran two centers, Area A was dedicated to operations, what McCarthy referred to as the "black arts," and Area C, the communications training grounds.

Spies learned to create listening devices in the dark, and pigeons became a vital part of the World War II communications effort. GI Joe received a citation and medal for animal gallantry; the pigeons had a 98 percent success rate getting messages to their recipients. Turns out that pigeons have mag-



The burial tube, as artifact collector Linda McCarthy describes it, was used to hide and drop secret documents and maps.

netite in their beaks, which allows them to follow magnetic fields. The Maidenform Brassiere Company made specially-designed curved pouches for paratroopers to carry their pigeons. The pigeon portion got rave reviews. Jan Beatey and Fran Snyder, both from

Vienna, liked learning about the pigeons the most.

Among McCarthy's exhibits were cameras.

Aerial reconnaissance cameras were used to create and update field maps. "A lot of film from the Korean War is preserved in underground vaults in Culpeper," McCarthy said. The camera lenses were frequently so big, using them required two operators. McCarthy showed photos of flyers taking photographs from their aircraft.

TWO OF MCCARTHY'S FAVORITE human topics are Julia Child and star baseball player, Moe Berg, both of whom spied for the U.S. during World War II. Child's recipe for shark repellent has, only recently, been declassified.

Escape and evasion maps were created on durable silk, cameras were built the size of a matchbox. And transmitters were hidden in fake dog droppings. Much of deception and camouflage comes from nature, said McCarthy. Some were inspired by historical events.

To learn more about the history of spycraft, go to <http://historyisahoot.com/>.

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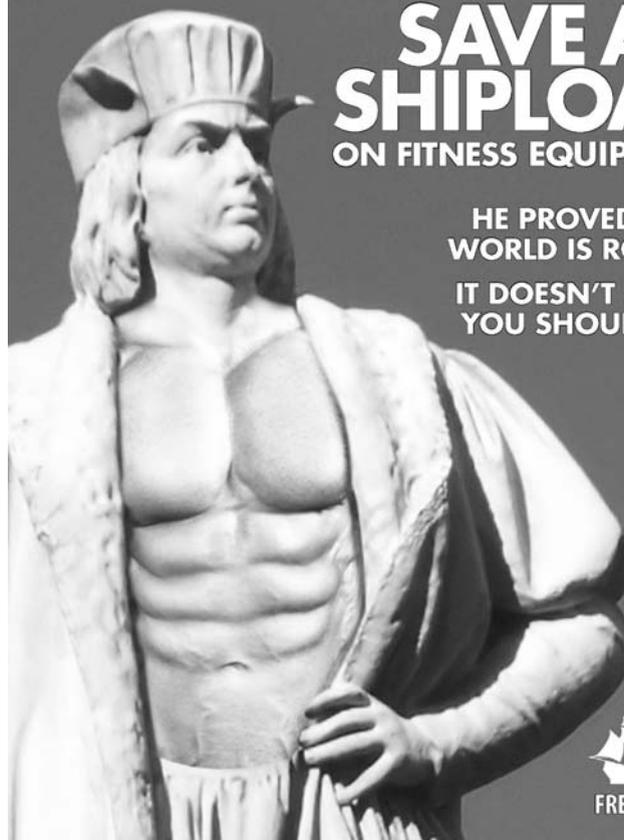
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OPINION

October Is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Early detection is key to success.

Last week, the American Cancer Society reported that women diagnosed with breast cancer are seeing increasingly positive results from treatment, with mortality rates continuing to drop, a trend that began in 1990.

In 2009, I was one of more than 190,000 U.S. women diagnosed with breast cancer.

In June, still in the midst of a regimen of chemotherapy, I walked in the Komen Global Race for the Cure on the National Mall. It wasn't the first time I had participated in the event, but it was my first time as a breast cancer survivor.

Now finished with my treatment, this is my first October — Breast Cancer Awareness Month — as a member of the club of more

than 2.5 million women in the country with a history of breast cancer. And like the majority of women whose breast cancer is detected early, my prognosis is excellent.

Many, many readers and community members reached out to me warmly over the course of the year, and the support from coworkers, community members, breast cancer survivors, family and friends has been amazing and contributed mightily to my health and energy throughout my treatment.

But despite the advances in early detection, treatment and mortality rates, more than 40,000 women will die of breast cancer this year in this country.

As you think about breast cancer survivors and feel empathy for those in the midst of treatment, I urge the women reading this to be sure that they are taking care of themselves, for everyone reading this to be sure the women in their lives are as well.

EDITORIAL

BULLETIN BOARD

To have community events listed in the Connection, send to vienna@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Friday.

THURSDAY /OCT. 8

The Fall Legislative Luncheon of the Vienna-Tyson Regional Chamber of Commerce will feature candidates Mark Keam and Jim Hyland for the Virginia's 35th District House of Delegates seat. Networking will begin at 11:30 a.m. and the program at noon at Monterey Bay Fish Grotto. For costs and additional information, contact the Vienna Chamber at 703-281-1333.

SATURDAY/OCT. 10

The Vienna Volunteer Fire Department will be hosting an open house, 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. Fire station tours, free hot dogs and popcorn, a fire safety house, the chance for children to use a real fire hose, as well as some new learning programs centered on the theme of "Stay Fire Smart! Don't Get Burned". Visit the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department website at <http://www.vvfd.org>

TUESDAY/OCT. 13

National Association Active and Retired Federal Employees

Monthly Meeting. 1:30 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St. SE, Vienna. Congressman Gerry Connolly, Democratic candidate Mark Keam and Republican candidate Jim Hyland will speak. A Blue Cross Blue Shield representative will provide benefit information. 703-205-9041 or 703-698-1838.

WEDNESDAY /OCT. 14

A group for anyone with Multiple Sclerosis and/or their family and friends. Sponsored by the National Capital Chapter of the MS Society. Free. The group meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month. 7 p.m., Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park St., NE, Vienna To learn more, call 703-768-4841.

THURSDAY/OCT. 15

Health Fair and Bazaar at the Lewinsville Senior Center (1609 Great Falls St. McLean VA 22101), 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The fair will include flu shots provided by Maxim, glucose and cholesterol screenings provided by Inova, hearing screenings provided by Better Hearing Center, and more. (Flu shots and health screenings are for people 55 years and over).

There is no co-pay with the following

health plans as your primary insurance: Medicare part B, Humana Gold and Aetna (all plans). If you are not covered by one of these insurance plans, the cost of the flu shot is \$22. Also be sure to stop by our Bazaar Sale hosted by the Advisory Council and open to all ages. For more information call (703) 442-9075.

TUESDAY/OCT. 20

The McLean Branch of the American Association of University Women will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. at the McLean Community Center. The program will feature a representative from the League of Women Voters who will speak about its mission and activities as well as provide an update on the upcoming elections in Virginia. All are welcome. 703-734-0367 or visit www.mcleanaauw.org

SATURDAY, OCT. 24

Northern Virginia Family Service invites you to join their free 7-week training course for prospective Foster Parents. The course will begin Saturday, Oct. 24, 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., and will continue on Tuesdays, 6:30-9:30 p.m. through Dec. 1. The training will take place in NVFS's Oakton office located at 10455 White Granite Dr., Ste. 100, Oakton, Va.

Get Involved

Here are a few of many area events in October to support breast cancer awareness.

Breast Education Day, Inova Fairfax Hospital, Tuesday, Oct. 13, 8 a.m. – 2 p.m., 3300 Gallows Road, Falls Church, no registration required.

It's too late to join the **2009 Komen DC 3-Day** for the Cure, which takes place this weekend, but you can still donate, or sign up for the 2010 event at www.the3day.org. Thousands will walk 60 miles over three days to raise awareness and money.

Women's Health Lunch, Inova Fair Oaks Hospital, Saturday, Oct. 17, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. 3600 Joseph Siewick Drive, Fairfax, Registration is required. Call 703-391-3776.

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Attendance does not obligate participants to become foster parents, nor does it guarantee placement. Visit www.nvfs.org or call Ginny Snaider at 703-219-2184 to register or if you have any questions.

ONGOING

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Haven of Northern Virginia presents two free six-week support groups. Registration is required. 703-941-7000, www.havenofnova.org, or havenofnova@verizon.net.

*Widow/Widowers Bereavement Support Group, beginning Saturday, Oct. 10, from 2-3:30 p.m.
*Bereavement Support Group beginning Tuesday, Sept. 29, 7:30 p.m.

The Advisory Board of the Northwest Center for Mental Health Services needs volunteers. We serve and act as advocates for women's shelters, homeless shelters, etc. The Board meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month from 7 to 9 p.m. We are looking for volunteers who are dedicated to improving mental health services. For more information call Cleveland at 703-435-0868.

SCHOOL NOTES

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The George C. Marshall Marching Statesmen with the Band Director Paul Vesilind were awarded first place in the USSBA Northern VA Regional Marching Band Competition (Division 2a) at Herndon HS. This year's drum majors are Michelle Flores and Jordan Rennert.

Oakton High School's (OHS) Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA) honored two administrators for their many years of exceptional service to students at OHS: Manson Tillman and Mark Penn.

Tillman and Penn received honorary plaques from the OHS PTSA which commemorated their respective numbers of

years at Oakton High. Brenda Moore and Lynn Saboe presented the plaques on behalf of the PTSA and the Minority Advocacy Group of the PTSA, where each had supported past efforts.

Tillman was Oakton's Director of Student Services for over a decade, from July 1, 1999 until his retirement on Aug. 1, 2009. In his tenure, he was the key administrative sponsor to the PTSA's Minority Advocacy Program, which looked at means to ensure fairness and involvement for all students at Oakton.

Penn's tenure at Oakton High School spanned Feb. 4, 2004 to June 25, 2009 where he served as an Assistant Principal. He launched the popular "Best Buddies program" and he also developed and launched the Work and Transition program for Special Education students to learn vocational skills and to complete internships with local

business owners.

W.T. Woodson High School Class of 1984 25th Reunion, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct 10 at Jammin' Java Cafe in Vienna. All-Class Happy Hour on Friday, Oct 9 at Kilroys. www.woodson84.org or 703-801-1900.

Robert MacDonald, a freshman majoring in general engineering in the College of Engineering, and **Candace Powers**, a freshman majoring in human nutrition, foods and exercise in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences – both of Vienna - have finished new cadet week training with the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets, the university's longest standing tradition of leadership development. The first year cadet experience at Virginia Tech is unlike the experience of most first year college stu-

dents. The corps first year starts in August with new cadet week held the week prior to the start of classes. During new cadet week, incoming students undergo a series of challenges that build character and leadership skills.

Grace Thomas of Vienna has been named to the spring 2009 honor roll at Bethel College in McKenzie, Tenn.

Joseph Canova of Vienna has been named to the spring 2009 dean's list at Salisbury University in Salisbury, Md.

William Parrott of Vienna has been named to the spring 2009 dean's list at Berklee College of Music in Boston, Ma.

Anthony Song of Oakton has been named to the spring 2009 dean's list at Berklee College of Music in Boston, Ma.

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CRIME

Activities reported by the Vienna police department through Oct. 1, 2009.

GRAND LARCENY

200 Block Park Terrace Court, SE, Between Sept. 1 - 15. A citizen reported that she discovered some jewelry was missing from the interior of her home. There were no signs of forced entry and this case is still being investigated.

1000 Block Frederick Street, SW, Between Sept. 15 - 19. A digital camera was taken from a vehicle during the listed times. The vehicle's owner is not sure if the vehicle was locked at the time. This case is still being investigated.

1000 Block Pickett Place, SW, Between Sept. 29 at 10 p.m. and Sept. 30 at 7 a.m. A citizen reported that a digital camera was stolen from the glove box inside of his unlocked vehicle during the listed times. This case is still being investigated.

1100 Block Moorefield Creek Road, SW, Between Sept. 29 at 10 p.m. and Sept. 30 at 6:40 a.m. A bag containing books and sunglasses was stolen from the interior of an unlocked vehicle during the listed times. This case is still being investigated.

GRAND LARCENY-2 STOLEN AUTOS

1000 Block Pickett Place, SW, Between Sept. 29 at 11 p.m. and Sept. 30 at 7 a.m. Two vehicles were stolen from the driveway of a home during the listed times. In both cases the keys had been left in the ignition and the doors were unlocked. Four abandoned bicycles were found to have been left near the home and will be processed for forensic evidence. This case is still being investigated.

Update- On Oct. 1: One of the vehicles was recovered in Anne Arundel County, Md. The vehicle was being driven by a juvenile male. The subject was arrested by Anne Arundel Police. Vienna Police detectives will be following up on this case.

PETIT LARCENY

1100 Block Rachel Lane, SW, Between Sept. 15 at 6 p.m. and Sept. 16 at 8 a.m. A citizen reported that his cell phone and charger were stolen from inside of his unlocked vehicle during the listed times. The vehicle was parked in his open garage during those times. This case is still being investigated.

900 Block Frederick Street, SW, Between Sept. 24 at 11 p.m. and Sept. 25 at 5:30 a.m. A citizen reported that during the listed times unknown subjects stole 10 gallons of gasoline from his vehicle.

TOWED VEHICLE

500 Block Ridge Road, SW, Sept. 21, 11 a.m. An abandoned auto was removed from the roadway by MPO Oliver. The vehicle was towed to a storage lot pending retrieval by its owner.

LOST PROPERTY

Giant Food, 359 Maple Avenue, East, Between Sept. 21 - 23. An individual reported that he had lost his Libyan passport during the listed times.

VIOLATION OF A PROTECTIVE ORDER

500 Block Glyndon Street, NE, Sept. 22, 5:58 p.m. A citizen reported that his ex-girlfriend had violated a protective order by appearing in an area which was too close to his home. This case is still being investigated.

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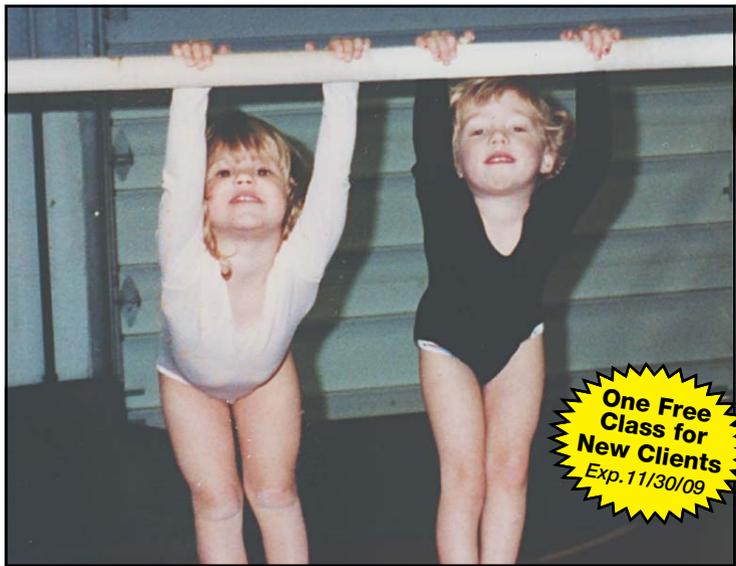
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For more information, email mmthomas211@hotmail.com or visit www.conova.org.

A new study, called "Looking for Something More," will begin on Sunday, Oct. 11 at 9:45 a.m. at Antioch Christian Church of Vienna, 1860 Beulah Road. This study for adults is an exploration of the book of John and asks the question: "Isn't there something more in life than this?" The study will be led by Pastor Randy Beeman. At 11 a.m. worship guest vocalist Laura Romstedt will be singing "Be Still and Know." The public is invited and for more information or directions see www.antiochdoc.org

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James Madison High School band members Eric Schueler and Sandra Klimavicz display a 2009 White House holiday ornament. Sales of the ornaments support Madison band programs.

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FAITH

FROM PAGE 8

Aging and Wellness Conference and Expo 2009 at McLean Bible Church, 8925 Leesburg Pike, Vienna, on Saturday, Oct. 31 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. With resources including community resources, housing, fi-

nance, health and wellness, and county government services for caregivers and their families, and a Speaker's Forum where professionals in their fields will speak on issues such as handling medication, dementia, and end-of-life issues. Free; refreshments provided.

wayne.thompson@mcleanbible.org or contact the church at 703-639-2000.

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Lunch Bunnies. 11 a.m. Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. Bring lunch and enjoy stories and songs at the library. Age 1-5 with adult. 703-938-0405.

A Southern Spy in Northern Virginia: The Civil War Album of Laura Ratcliffe, by Charles V. Mauro. McLean Historical Society, 7:30 p.m., at the McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Avenue, McLean, VA 22101. There is no charge and the Public is welcome. For further information, contact Jacquelynne Schulman schulm@erols.com 703-442-9370.

FRIDAY/OCT. 9

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NEWS

A Piece of History Comes to Vienna

Custis Lee trunks contained 4,000 pieces of treasure.

BY DONNA MANZ
THE CONNECTION

When Lee Shepard makes the trip from Richmond to Oakton on Oct. 13, he will be bringing a piece of American history with him. Shepard, a senior archivist with the Virginia Historical Society [VHS], examined and interpreted the contents of the treasure trove found in the basement of Burke & Herbert Bank in Alexandria, two forgotten trunks belonging to Mary Custis Lee, the only daughter of Gen. Robert E. Lee. The trunks contained more than 4,000 letters, documents and objects dating as far back as 1870.

"Because these are family papers, we get to see public people without their masks," said Shepard, who has been examining the contents of the trunks since they were turned over to the VHS in 2002. "You see Robert E. Lee writing to his daughter, exposing intimate, honest feelings."

On Tuesday, Oct. 13, Shepard presents a 90-minute presentation on the "Hidden Treasures from the Mary Custis Lee Trunks," from 7:30-9 p.m. at the preserved Vale Schoolhouse in the historic Vale community of Oakton. The open-to-the-public presentation is sponsored by Friends of Vale Schoolhouse, Inc.

It was Maryan Smith, Friends of Vale Schoolhouse vice president-historic preservation, which thought of partnering with the VHS for this special event. It seemed a perfect match to her.

"Here we are, women who have preserved this treasure in Oakton and [Custis] Lee is a woman who preserved her family's history," said Smith. "She preserved an enormous part of American history by preserving her own family's history."

Saving Vale Schoolhouse as a community center for future generations is a personal mission for Smith, who grew up in the Vale section of Oakton. She remembers her mother and grandmother par-

ticipating in demonstrations at the schoolhouse when it was used as an agricultural home extension center by the state.

"We have preserved, in the heart of suburbia, a piece of history virtually unchanged since circa 1884," said Carol Cross of the Oakton-Vale community, the Friends of Vale Schoolhouse, Inc. president.

DESCRIBED BY SHEPARD as the family archivist and "bit of a pack-rat," Custis Lee preserved letters, documents and mementos of her family's history. Her father's stars, removed from his uniform after his surrender to Grant at Appomattax, were saved. Letters between father and daughter, showing the warm and human side of Lee were among the revealing contents. The materials stored in the trunks date from approximately 1870 until the year before Custis Lee's death in 1918. Until 2002, the trunks sat, tucked away in a bank basement, until a Burke & Herbert president recognized them for the



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treasure they were. Within a week of their discovery, the trunks were in the hands of the Virginia Historical Society in Richmond.

The Society does not travel items from its inventory unless they are going to exhibition. Shepard uses Power Point to present images that accompany his 45-minute lecture, and afterward, he fields questions from the audience. A specialist in public history, Shepard has worked for the Society since he graduated from graduate school at the University of Virginia, 35 years ago.

"There's a lot of warmth in the correspondence we have. We want to emphasize the relationship be-

tween father and daughter. Among the things we found are about 20 courtship letters between Robert E. Lee and his future wife, Mary Anna. They were never before known to exist. The letters reveal Lee's human side."

VALE SCHOOLHOUSE is located at 3124 Fox Mill Road, intersection of Fox Mill and Vale roads. Entrance off Vale. For more information on Vale Schoolhouse, go to <http://www.valeschoolhouse.org/>

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Jason Adler, 3, loves coming to McLean's Dolley Madison Library every week with his babysitter, Sarah Newhall, a George Mason University nursing student. Oblivious to the impact of this year's budget cuts on Fairfax County Public Libraries and other county services, Jason settles into a comfortable chair in the children's section for a story. His favorite books? "Scooby Doo," he said.

Asked whether she has noticed any difference in service at the library since the cuts took effect July 1, Newhall said "No, not really."

Anyone who has gone to the library in Fairfax County since July 1 will have seen the signs advertising the shortened hours and increased fees for such things as overdue books, library card re-

placement and guest passes for internet use.

The Fairfax County Public Library (FCPL) budget for fiscal year 2010 (which runs July 1, 2009-June 30, 2010) has been cut 15 percent giving the libraries \$5,005,411 less to spend than they had in fiscal year 2009, according to Public Relations Officer Mary Mulrenan. "More reductions are being made as we go along this fiscal year too," she said. According to Mulrenan these cuts have hit collections and staffing hardest. Collections includes the materials available for checkout and online use including books, magazines, videos, DVDs, recorded books and online databases. Staff members work in the information and circulation departments, both out front at the desks and in the back rooms and offices. Information Department staff members have primarily helped patrons in

the library and on the phone to find the information and library materials they need and assisted the public with using the Internet and public catalog computers. Circulation employees check books in and out, issue library cards, collect over due and other fees and sort materials for re-shelving among other tasks.

ANOTHER GROUP of circulation employees is the pages. Pages do the work of organizing materials in alphabetical or numerical order on carts for re-shelving and then performing the physical task of putting the books back on the shelves. Beginning July 1, though, more than 100 library employees system-wide lost their jobs. Most libraries lost about half of their pages.

The overall effects of these cuts on library patrons has been minimized due to the hard work the library staffs have done to keep libraries' level of service up to its usual high standard. "We are service-oriented and are doing what we love to do," said Sheila Janega,



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Sheila Janega and Vicki McMichael pose near a display of crafts created by library staff and related books at Patrick Henry Library in Vienna.

branch manager at the Patrick Henry Library in Vienna. "We are an extremely busy branch." Librarians countywide are aware of the importance of public libraries to their customers. "People at home with children want a place to go during the day, therefore the children's section is very impor-

tant," said Great Falls Public Library Branch Manager Daniela Dixon.

This cross training of circulation and information staff to do each others' jobs as much as possible has been key to maintaining service. Dixon has spent a great deal of time working with the Great Falls staff since July so that they are cross trained to do all library jobs. Previously, the information and circulation staffs tended to have separate duties. Another new policy since the budget cuts has been that every eight weeks one circulation staff member and one information staff member from each community library, goes to help staff a regional library on Sunday when it is open from 1-5 p.m.

AT ALL LIBRARIES Information staff members now help to shelve holds, organize book and video carts and staff the circulation desk. Circulation staff has taken over many of the jobs previously done by pages since those ranks have been decimated. Circulation staff is also being trained to help trouble-shoot patron problems using the Internet on the public computers. "We have reallocated many tasks that pages used to do, such as tidying up the library shelves and tables, taking care of the American flag, picking up the newspapers that are delivered and putting out the signs," said Starr Smith, branch manager at Dolley Madison library in McLean. By doing this the pages can focus on shelving books. Janega of Patrick Henry echoed the need for this focus. "Keeping books on the shelves has been the biggest chal-

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In execution of a Deed of Trust from Eris Bonilla, dated May 24, 2005, and recorded May 26, 2005, in Deed Book 17328 at page 452 among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia, the undersigned substitute trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front entrance of the Judicial Center for Fairfax County, at 4110 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, Virginia, on

Thursday, October 15, 2009 at 9:30 a.m.

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

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Any defaulting purchaser shall forfeit the deposit and stand the risk and cost of resale.

Sale shall be made subject to all existing easements and restrictive covenants as the same may lawfully affect the real estate. Sale is further subject to mechanic's and/or materialman's liens of record and not of record. The property will be sold subject to all conditions, covenants, restrictions, rights of redemption of federal lienholders or encumbrances, and agreements of record affecting the same, if any.

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Additional terms and conditions of sale may be announced at the time of sale.

DAVID N. PRENSKY
Substitute Trustee

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TRUSTEE'S SALE

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In execution of a Deed of Trust from Michael Cole and Susan Benikas, dated July 24, 2002, and recorded August 5, 2002, in Deed Book 13181 at page 1017 among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia, the undersigned substitute trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front entrance of the Judicial Center for Fairfax County, at 4110 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, Virginia, on

Thursday, October 15, 2009

At 9:30 a.m.

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

Lot 36, Section 4-C, Valewood Manor Subdivision, as the same appears duly dedicated, platted and recorded in Deed Book 5534 at page 1575, among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia.

Commonly known as 3533 Valeview Drive, Oakton, Virginia 22124.

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of \$5,000.00 or ten percent (10%) of the sale price, whichever amount is less, in the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser at the time and place of sale; the balance of the purchase money being due and payable within fifteen (15) days after sale, time expressly being of the essence, with interest at the rate of 3.25 percent per annum from date of sale to date of settlement. Provided, however, that if the holder of the secured promissory note is the successful bidder at the sale, no cash deposit shall be required, and part of or the entire indebtedness, including interest and costs, secured by the Deed of Trust, may be set off against the purchase price.

Any defaulting purchaser shall forfeit the deposit and stand the risk and cost of resale.

Sale shall be made subject to all existing easements and restrictive covenants as the same may lawfully affect the real estate. Sale is further subject to mechanic's and/or materialman's liens of record and not of record. The property will be sold subject to all conditions, covenants, restrictions, rights of redemption of federal lienholders or encumbrances, and agreements of record affecting the same, if any.

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

This sale is being made subject to a superior trust.

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Sailaja Vedula, circulation aide, organizes a book cart at the circulation desk at Patrick Henry Library in Vienna.

Friends Help Area Libraries

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challenge," she said. "The business level has kept up, even increased, with the recession."

Smith has seen irony in the effect on library service of recent budget cuts in Fairfax County. "The cuts changed a lot that we took for granted. For example, we have fewer staff to do story hours for children at a time when the public wants more programs" due to tighter finances in the current recession.

Two other effects of the cuts have been longer lines for service and shortened hours. "People do not like the shortened hours," said Janega.

Mulrenan said that "fewer evening hours are bad for those who work during the day, those who need to use library computers, kids who need the library to do homework and for users of community rooms that aren't open when the libraries are closed."

Another major effect of the decreased funding has been the decrease in materials for patrons to check out. Julie Pringle, the coordinator of Collection Management and Acquisitions for FCPL, notes that the budget for library materials has gone down dramatically. In the fiscal year 2000 the budget was \$5,514,214. By 2009, it had dropped to \$4,053,488, and for 2010 it is \$3,053,488, a \$1,000,000 decrease. For the corresponding years the per patron materials budget has gone from \$6.33 per patron in 2000 to \$3.56 per patron in 2009 and to \$2.71 per patron for 2010. "Circulation, which is the number of items checked out, has increased 7-9 percent annually over the last three years, while the money to buy new materials has decreased 37 percent," said Pringle.

LAST SPRING, with budget cuts in the offing, a staff committee comprising people from library branches and the central office met and decided what materials would have to be discontinued from circulation.

Casualties included print editions of Morningstar and Valueline investment services. These services are still available online so patrons can access them on the computers at the library or at home. Another cut that will not be seen until January 2010 when subscriptions would normally be renewed is a 50 percent reduction in magazines. "Libraries will look physically different because there will be less magazines on display. Materials overall that we can provide this year will be half of what was available two years ago," said Pringle.

One way that libraries are coping with budget cuts is by tapping the resources of their Friends organizations. Each library has a Friends organization that raises money through book sales to help fund library efforts. The Friends of Dolley Madison Library also processes donated books to either be put on library shelves or sold at the book sales. The Friends of Great Falls Library plans to pay for the magazines that were going to be cut in 2010. They have also donated furniture for the children's section. The larger Friends organizations at the regional libraries are able to fund efforts to help the entire system. For example, the George Mason Regional Library Friends group raised and donated \$30,000 to fund training for all FCPL staff in the county, according to Mulrenan. Joining the Friends of a public library is an excellent way to help ease the pain of the budget cuts.

Another great way to help a local library is to volunteer. "Volunteers are essential," said Dixon. "We have several who come in regularly." Volunteers help shelve books and assist staff at the circulation desk.

Volunteers, library staff and Friends groups are all working together to maintain a high level of service for library patrons. The most important thing, said Smith, is that "we want the library to be welcoming and pleasant."

SPORTS

McCullen, Cougars Build on Winning Legacy

Led by senior running sensation, Oakton sets eyes on another big postseason.

BY RICH SANDERS
THE CONNECTION

Andrew McCullen is proud of the prolific running tradition of the Oakton High boys' cross country program of which he is a part. That winning legacy is a huge motivator for the senior standout to help the Cougars continue to excel and to remain both a Northern Region and state power.

"I don't think we've lost a [Concorde] District title in four years and we've made states 11 or 12 years in a row," said McCullen, of the success over recent years of the Oakton team. "It's real important for us to keep that streak alive. Each year guys come out knowing they're on a team that's real good."

Oakton, the defending district, region and state AAA champion, is in prime midseason form and looking forward to the upcoming postseason races in which the Cougars, once again, are hoping and even expecting to be a force. On Saturday, Oct. 3, they displayed good form with a stellar showing at the Wendy's Invitational in Charlotte, N.C. The annual showcase event attracted more than 50 schools.

The Oakton boys (128 points), competing in the highly competitive Invitational portion of the meet, finished second in the team standings among a field of 32 teams. West Johnson High (113) was the team champion. Chapel Hill High (148) was third. Oakton was the lone team from Northern Virginia in the race.

McCullen took second place overall among 219 runners, finishing with a time of 15 minutes, 18 seconds in the 5,000-meters race that ran on the McAlpine Greenway Park course. McAlpine Greenway Park is the home site of the renowned Foot Locker South Region Championships that take place in late November. Other good races for Oakton came from seniors Patrick Fulghum (ninth overall), Matt Woodhouse (15th) and Padraic Flynn (36th).

Oakton, which won the Wendy's team title last year, nearly won again on Saturday despite having a new lineup this fall.

"We're a different team than we were last year," said McCullen, of the Cougars' graduation losses from last year's Virginia state championship squad that have resulted in a somewhat different look to the team. "But we believe we have a shot at winning [another state title] again this year."

McCullen and his teammates also ran well at the recent Oatlands Invitational event in Leesburg on Sept. 26. The Cougars won the varsity "A" race with 143 points, ahead of second place Mountain View of Stafford (157). Oatlands, with 50-plus schools and 3,000 athletes participating, is one of



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Oakton's Andrew McCullen, right, competes at last week's Wendy's Invitational in Charlotte, N.C.

Virginia's biggest and most popular regular season high school events.

McCullen, in the individual results at Oatlands, finished second at 15:53, just behind winner Cody Pelliccioni (15:49) of Morgantown High. Other Cougars to run well at Oatlands included Fulghum (17th), Woodhouse (25th) and Flynn (30th).

McCullen is impressed with the way the Cougars are running and competing at this juncture of the season.

"I think we're on pace to have another big season," he said. "Our guys are really running well and our back of the pack guys are running together. We all had awesome races [at Oatlands]. I think most of us had our best times of the season. We ran real hard in a hard race on a good course. It was a real confidence boost to the team."

OAKTON COACH PHIL TILLER, in his ninth season at the helm of the program,

said McCullen is right up there with the best runners he has ever coached at the school. Former Cougar standouts include Jacob Frey, 1998 state champion and a one-time Olympics marathon trials qualifier; Matt Maline, a 2000 Oakton graduate who ran in the shadows of the great Alan Webb of South Lakes; and, more recently, Joe LoRusso (2008 graduate), a dominant runner and two-time state track champion in both the mile and 2-mile runs.

"He really embodies sort of the history of

Oakton and the team over the last decade-plus," said Tiller, of McCullen. "He's part of a series of [Oakton standouts of the past] who, year after year, are dedicated to running up front and dictating the race."

McCullen, Oakton's No. 1 runner both this year and last year, is passionate about his sport.

"He's extremely dedicated and a real student of the sport," said Tiller. "He's very good at doing the little things that make a runner great, like stretching and resting. He does the behind the scenes things to work to keep himself strong. He put in all the hard work last summer. He's smart about his training and knows how to prepare for things."

Two years ago as a sophomore, McCullen was injured at the district championships, ending his season. But he came back strong last year with a third place finish at regionals and a seventh place finish at states.

"He's definitely had his ups and downs, which makes this year [and his current success] so great," said Tiller, who has led Oakton to three region crowns over the past four years and state titles in both 2005 and '08. "He has a lot of ability and his goals are set high this year. He really runs for his team and believes in his teammates. He's much like a coach. He sees potential in the young guys and helps kids believe in themselves. He's an excellent team captain and embodies what I am looking for in a runner."

McCullen would love to compete as a Division 1 college runner one day and said he is still in the decision-making process in regards to colleges. For now, he is enjoying high school and running for the Cougars.

"I've really enjoyed the guys on this team and especially coach Tiller," he said.

Grevey Hosts Benefit Golf Classic

Former Kentucky star played for NBA champion Bullets.

BY MICHAEL K. BOHN
THE CONNECTION

Former Washington Bullet Kevin Grevey hosted his annual Charity Golf Classic on Sept. 28 at Vienna's Westwood Country Club. More than 120 players joined Grevey to raise money for Fairfax County Public Schools and several charities.

"This is our 21st tournament," said Grevey, during a lull on the golf course. "It's a great turnout and we should net between \$30,000 and \$40,000."

Grevey, who was an All-American college basketball player at the

University of Kentucky, played for Washington from 1975 through 1983 and was a starting shooting guard on the Bullets' 1978 NBA championship team. He is now a part-time scout for the Los Angeles Lakers and owns Grevey's Restaurant and Sports Bar in Merrifield.

The winning golf team at the recent Classic consisted of friends of Grevey's from Milford, Conn.

"We all play tennis with Kevin when he and his wife Sandy visit her family in Milford," said Dean Coassin.

Joining Coassin, who made his first hole in one during the tour-

namment, were Kimm Fisher, Peter Steenbergen and Peter MacLellan.

The money raised through the tournament, as well as other Grevey Foundation events, helps buy tech equipment for county schools and supports New Hope for Cambodian Children, Cows for Kenyan Kids and other educational and health care programs.

"We matched last year's proceeds, and that's great considering the economic situation," said Grevey.

For more information on fund-raising events sponsored by Grevey, visit his restaurant at 8130 Arlington Blvd.



PHOTO BY MICHAEL K. BOHN

Kevin Grevey tees off on Westwood's 16th hole during his annual charity golf tournament on Sept. 28.

WEEK IN VIENNA

Warhawk 5K Run and One Mile Fun Run

Runners and walkers of all ages are welcome at the fund raising event, part of James Madison High School's 50th anniversary celebration Sunday, Oct. 11. Race day registration begins at 7:45 a.m., events start at 9 a.m. Meet at the track area behind James Madison High School, 2500 James Madison Drive, Vienna, VA, 22181. T-shirts for participants, awards to top places in each category. All race proceeds benefit the

Madison Cross Country team. More information at <http://www.fcps.edu/MadisonHS/News/Anniversary/oct11.html>
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Town Hall Closed On Monday, Oct. 12

Vienna Town Hall will be closed on Monday, October 12, for Columbus Day. Trash will be collected as usual that day

for residents on the Monday collection route.

Conservation Trust Honors Connolly

The Northern Virginia Conservation Trust (NVCT) celebrated 15 years of "Saving Nearby Nature" at its Third Annual September Showcase held Sept. 20, at the home of Doug and Barbara Cobb in Great Falls. The 15 acre Cobb property has been permanently protected from development through

a voluntary land preservation agreement with NVCT. Through such agreements and other land conservation tools, NVCT has preserved over 5,000 acres of environmentally important lands in eight different jurisdictions.

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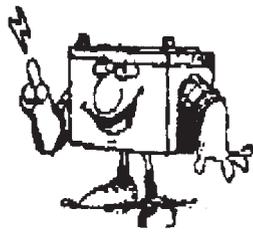
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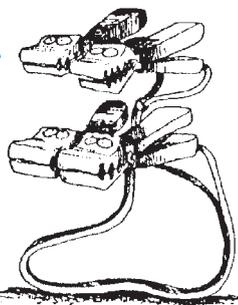
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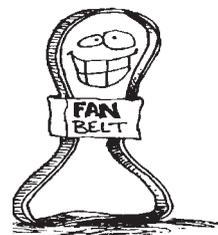
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