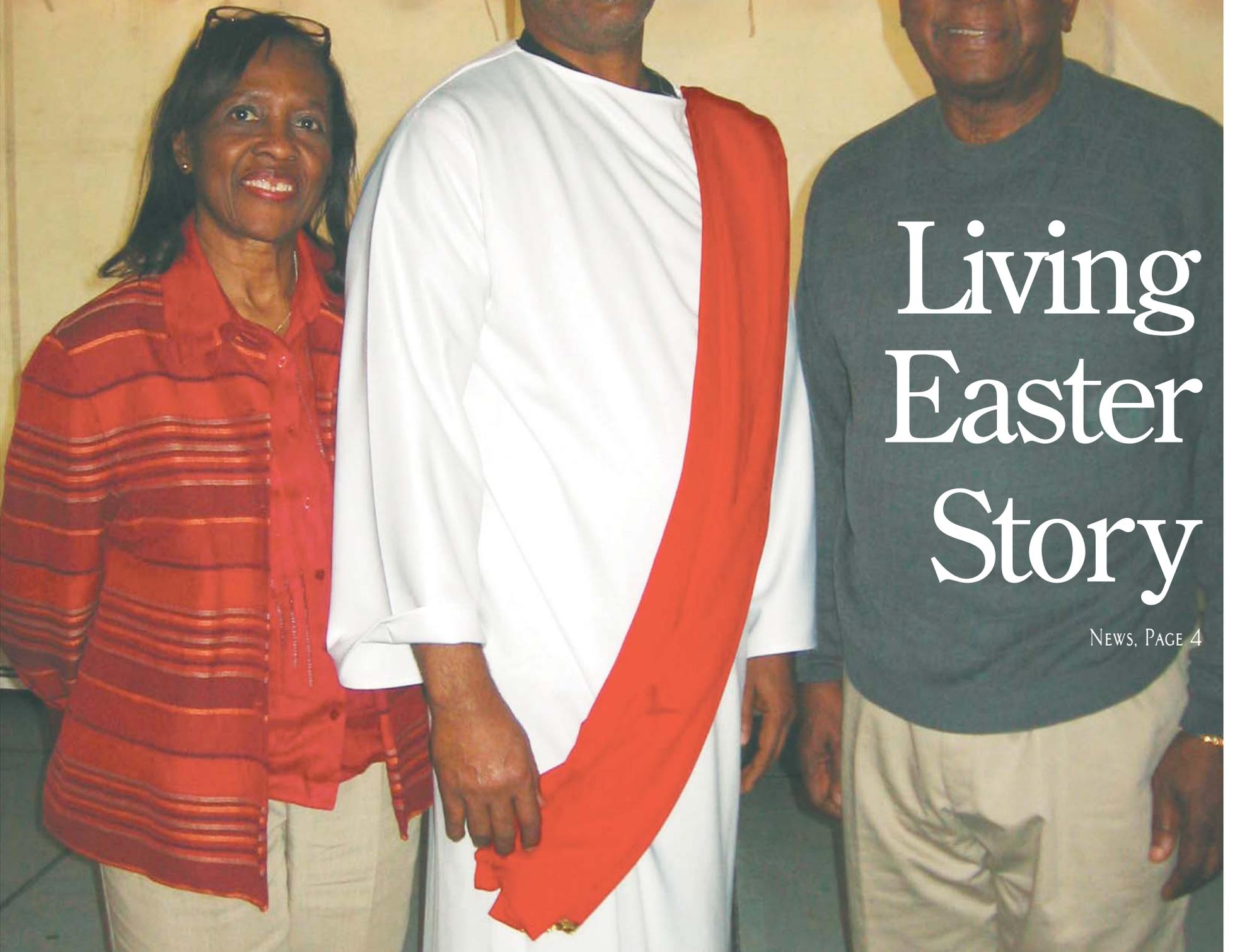


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Rev. Ethel Bothuel, Donnie McNealey as Jesus at the Last Supper and Rev. Dr. Kenny Smith, Pastor at First Baptist Church of Vienna.



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The Governing Board and staff of the McLean Community Center strongly encourage all qualified residents to vote **for members of the McLean Community Center 2010-2011 Governing Board**. Your vote sends a very important message of your support of the Center's programs and services.

When & Where:

Vote between the hours of **10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.** at the McLean Day 2010 festival on **Saturday, May 15**, at Lewinsville Park, 1659 Chain Bridge Rd.

Requirements to Vote:

1. You must be a resident of the McLean Community Center tax district (Dranesville Small District One); however, you need not be registered to vote in the general election.
2. You must be at least 18 years old (by McLean Day) to vote for adult candidates. Adults may vote for up to four candidates (since there are four seats to be filled in the election).
3. You must be 15 through 17 years old (by McLean Day) to vote for youth candidates. Youth voters have two votes, and may vote for one candidate in each of the two high school districts, or may vote for just one candidate in either district. Youth may not vote for more than one candidate in the same district.

4. You must bring identification and proof of residency, such as a driver's license. If you do not have identification, you may sign a sworn statement.

Absentee Voting:

Any qualified resident may vote by absentee ballot.

Residents may pick up an absentee ballot package at the Center's reception desk, **Monday, April 12**, through **Wednesday, May 12**, or may call the Center at 703-790-0123, TTY: 711, or send a request by E-mail to "Ellen.Barial@fairfaxcounty.gov," to have the package mailed to their homes. Completed ballots must be received by the Center by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 12.

Write-in candidates are allowed.

Meet the Candidates

Adult Candidates—Four Positions Open



Sylvia Buckland

I have been a resident of the McLean district for the past 30 years. My children attended McLean schools and I was involved in many of the schools' activities. I also have been a volunteer in the theatre productions with my son at the Center. I have served 10 years as an employee at the Community Center and, therefore, am very familiar with the programs and the general functioning of the entire facility and would like to share that experience by serving the community as a member of the Governing Board.



Thomas M. Culligan, Jr.

Having previously served on the McLean Community Center Governing Board from 2000-2001 as the Langley High School representative, I keenly understand the important role the Center plays in our community. Last year, I returned to McLean and currently serve as a policy aide to Rep. Frank Wolf, who represents McLean in the U.S. Congress. As a Board member, I would work to bring new ideas, energy and accountability to the Center. I also would like to see the Center play a more active role outside of its building and have a more visible and regular presence in downtown McLean.



Kevin Dent

I am currently a member of the Governing Board of MCC, having been elected in May 2007. Last year, I served as vice chairman of the Board and chairmen of the Finance Committee and the Capital Facilities Committee of the Board. I have spearheaded efforts to reduce the tax rate paid by the McLean community in support of MCC; in the last three years, we have reduced the tax rate by almost 15 percent. Further, I have been active in exploring the possibility of expanding MCC's presence in downtown McLean as part of the proposed redevelopment of downtown McLean.



Jay Howell

I am delighted to be a candidate for a seat on the McLean Community Center Governing Board. My wife, Betsy, and I have been McLean residents since 1985. I am self-employed in government relations consulting. I am interested in serving on MCC's Board to maintain and improve the many activities, events and programs that MCC offers. MCC is the heart of our community, and as the downtown McLean revitalization effort gets underway, we must plan for how MCC will be part of the new downtown McLean. I also see a role for MCC in improving opportunities for McLean youth sports.



Craig E. Richardson

My wife and I moved to McLean in 1998. We have two boys and are delighted to be raising them in McLean. I currently serve as commissioner of the McLean Mustangs youth football club and am on the Board of Directors of McLean & Great Falls Celebrate Virginia. I also was president of St. John Academy's PTO, where both sons attend, and I remain on the Board. I am committed to ensuring that McLean Community Center's quality programs are offered efficiently and at reasonable costs. I am dedicated to reducing the tax burdens and holding the line on any increases.



Robin Walker

It is with great interest that I submit my application to serve as a member of the Board of Directors of the McLean Community Center (MCC). As long-standing residents of McLean, my family and I have enjoyed many of the programs provided by MCC. I have a long history of serving as a volunteer in McLean in a variety of activities including both Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts and am a volunteer for the visual arts in many different community schools. My goal is to preserve and support MCC's programming and its ability to serve the interests of all residents.



Stanley A. Zuckerman

I have been a newspaperman for *The Columbus (Ga.) Enquirer* during the civil rights years, a reporter for *The Milwaukee Journal* covering labor unions, chief of staff to the governor of Wisconsin, for 30 years a foreign service officer and, after retiring from the foreign service, founder and chairman of Lives and Legacies Films that has produced three prime time documentaries for PBS. I have lived in McLean since my return from Brazil in 1989, and am impressed by the range of activities offered by the McLean Community Center. I hope to be able to contribute to its continued success.

Youth Candidates—Two Positions Open

McLean High School Area



Craig McKenzie

As an honors student in the ninth grade, I wish to represent McLean High School students during Community Center board meetings to improve our community. I have gained insight by volunteering with the Old Firehouse Teen Center after school and with the Special Events and Youth departments on weekends. My volunteering history includes events such as McLean Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day and the Storybook Festival. I will continue to work with staff to improve programs and boost attendance. I received the H. Gordon Randall Outstanding Volunteer Award in 2008 and the DAR Award in 2009 for my services.

Langley High School Area



Sun Park

I am a highly involved sophomore at Langley High School. I am the communications liaison in Model UN, play the tenor saxophone in the Wind Symphony and am in Student Government. The main purpose of this Center is to provide opportunities for students, like myself, to learn. I am running because I want to maintain and develop the tradition of excellence. I would be a great facilitator of student opinions, and I have creative ideas on how to improve the Center with more communication. Additionally, I have the perseverance and work ethic to make the upcoming year a success.

Absentee Voting

Want to vote, but can't make it to the McLean Day festival on May 15? Vote by absentee ballot beginning April 12! Call the Center or send a request by E-mail to "Ellen.Barial@fairfaxcounty.gov" to have a ballot sent to your home. Or, stop by the Center and pick up an absentee ballot package. Completed ballots must be received by close of business on **Wednesday, May 12**, to be counted.



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Jin Soo Nam, Fairfax County Chairwoman Sharon Bulova (D-At-large), Sue Webb, Jeung-Hwa Elmejjad-Yi, David Chung, front row, and Paul Gilbert, back row, display the symbolic check from the Korean Culture & Information Service. Man on right not identified.



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THE CONNECTION

Korean Bell Garden Grows in Vienna

Meadowlark to showcase cultural icon.

BY DONNA MANZ
THE CONNECTION

Korean Ambassador Dr. Duk-soo Han and more than 50 other volunteers dug in — literally — to celebrate the dedication of the new 4.7-acre Korean bell garden at Meadowlark Botanical Gardens. In formal dress or ready-to-work labor clothes, Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority volunteers joined volunteers from the Korean American Cultural Committee (KACC.us), the bell garden's driving force, to plant 100 trees common to Korea. The centerpiece of the garden, a traditional Korean pavilion with a hand-cast iron bell to be crafted in Korea, sits on a hill overlooking Meadowlark's Lake Caroline, surrounded by the newly-planted trees, a meandering trail, terraced stones, and two ponds with a connecting water channel. This is the first Korean bell garden in North America.

THE KOREAN BELL GARDEN is being funded by the KACC, with financial support from the Republic of Korea. At Saturday's program, representatives of the Korean embassy presented KACC with a symbolic check of 1,000,000 won, converted to between \$87,741 and \$90,000. The KACC expects to raise \$1,000,000 to fund the complete project.

"The bell garden is a symbolic project," said Han. "So many Korean-Americans live in our region. We would like to make some Korean culture available to be shared by all people in Virginia."

Referring to the garden's location as the "best place" in the park, Han remarked that the Korean government had contributed the check, and he and his wife (Ahyoung Han) contributed labor. And labor they did, donning work gloves and shoveling dirt in the hole around the tree they planted.

"This is the first time we are building a Korean cultural icon in this area."

— Jin Soo Nam



Ambassador Dr. Duk-soo Han and his wife Ahyoung plant the first of 100 trees that will flourish in the 4.7-acre Korean bell garden at Meadowlark Botanical Gardens in Vienna.

When the Korean American Cultural Committee was incorporated in 2005, its members considered ways to honor the durable relationship between the Republic of Korea and the United States. June marks the 60th anniversary of the Korean War, and the KACC agreed that the bell garden would be a fitting monument to the U.S.-Korea connection, said Jeung-Hwa Elmejjad-Yi, KACC chair.

Paul Gilbert, executive director, Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority, visited Korea as part of a local contingent that included the garden designer, David Chung, Fairfax County Chairwoman of the Board Sharon Bulova (D-At-large) and Elmejjad-Yi. Chung's parents, Insok and Kyu Sup Chung, live in Vienna.

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Skateboarders in-action at the mobile skatepark set up in the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department parking lot.

Skateboard Party Comes to Vienna

Youngsters glide, jump and roll at free community service.

Young skateboarders turned out by the dozens on a warm and sunny April 3 as the Hunter Mill District sponsored a mobile skateboard park in Vienna. The community service, compliments of American Inline Skating, offered a whole cargo trailer-full of ramps, fun boxes and kinked rail ramp, set up in the parking lot of the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department. American Inline Skating provides the free event for the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors.

The sponsoring supervisor finds the space for use by American Inline Skating. At Saturday's Vienna skate party, the Town of Vienna Department of Parks and Recreation provided support, and the VVFD provided the use of its paved parking lot.

Although parents were not required to stay and supervise their children, the participants did have to sign in, acknowledging the inherent risks in the popular sport. Parents and other responsible adults did, however, pulled up chairs and tables to watch over their charges. American Inline Skating offered free T-shirts and treats to the young skateboarders, and instructors from American Inline Skating

More Information

For more information on skateboard camps, see www.Americaninline.com, or go to <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/parktakes/>.

supervised the activity.

Skateboarders were required to wear helmets and pads.

American Inline Skating sets up the mobile equipment throughout Northern Virginia as a community service. The bulk of its revenue comes from the summer camps that the business runs at recreation centers and parks, said American Inline Skating president, Greg Keim, a former Vienna resident. The summer camp, two one-week sessions, closest to Vienna is held at Oak Marr Recreation Center in Oakton. Keim recommends interested campers go to the company's Web site (www.Americaninline.com) for a list of summer camps in the area. The site links to the Web site of the agency sponsoring the camp. Fairfax County publishes its programs in its Parktakes brochure.

— DONNA MANZ

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Police Seek Identity of Subject

On March 19, at approximately 4:20 p.m., a citizen reported that while shopping she left her purse in a shopping cart. When she became distracted for a moment, an unknown individual (pictured above) stole her wallet and its contents from inside the purse.

Upon reporting the incident to authorities, the woman learned that her credit card had already been used at the Giant store where she was shopping and at a nearby ABC store, also in Vienna. Later on the same day it was again used at the Giant store in Oakton.

Vienna Police Detective Gary Lose is seeking the public's help in identifying the individual pictured in the photo above. Any one with information about this case or that can help in identifying the subject in the photo is encouraged to call Detective Lose at 703-255-6313.

Vienna Proposed Budget Available

Copies of the proposed Town of Vienna budget for fiscal year 2010-11 will be available for public review beginning Monday, April 5, in the Administrative Services Office at Town Hall, 127 Center St., S., and at Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Ave., E. A "Budget in Brief" summary may be obtained at Town Hall free of charge, and the entire budget document may be purchased or viewed online at www.viennava.gov. For more information, call 703-255-6350.

Town Council budget work sessions are scheduled at Town Hall on Monday, April 12, at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, April 17, at 9 a.m.; and Monday, April 26, at 7:30 p.m. (if necessary). Work sessions are open for the public to attend. A public hearing on the proposed budget is scheduled for the May 10 Council meeting.

Volunteers Needed for Potomac Watershed Cleanup

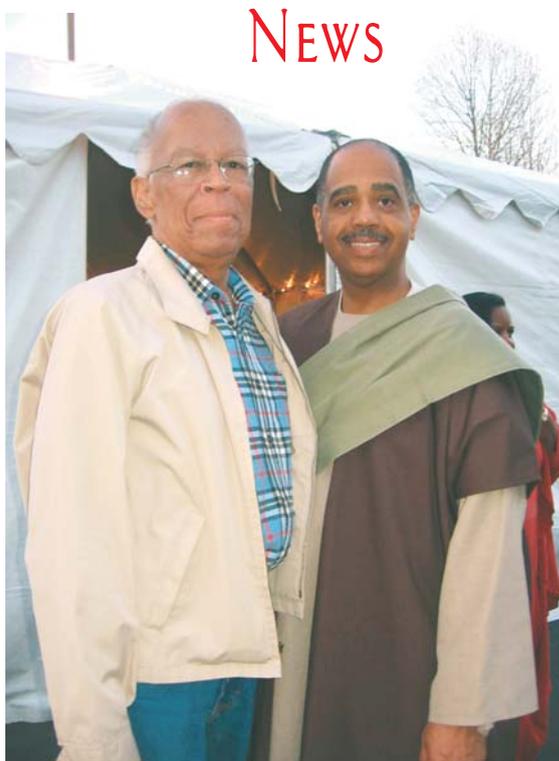
Vienna area residents and organizations are invited to join in the 22nd annual Potomac River Watershed Cleanup on Saturday, April 10, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. The cleanup takes place at sites in the District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia — all part of the lands, or watershed, that drain into the Potomac.

This year local efforts will focus on Piney Branch Creek near Vienna's Northside Park and the Northside Property Yard. Volunteers are invited to meet at 588 Glyndon St., N.E. For information, contact Rick Ayers at rayers@esri.com or 703-989-3221.

In conjunction with the Potomac Watershed Cleanup Day, Vienna's Northeast Vienna Citizens Association (NEVCA) is asking for volunteers to participate in planting native plant species at Northside Park on Saturday, April 10, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. NEVCA members are working with the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department to identify and remove invasive plants within the park and plant Virginia native trees and shrubs.

Meet off the W&OD Trail at the Richard Black Bridge and bring gloves and shovels, and wear appropriate clothing. For more information, call Dan Mulville at 703-850-9053 or visit www.nevca.org.

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Quentin S. Taylor of Vienna and church deacon Michael Clinton outside the Last Supper tent.



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Guard Ivonte Milligan and church member Deloris Emerson of Vienna. Emerson's great-greatgrandfather helped found First Baptist Church of Vienna more than 140 years ago.

Living Easter Story

First Baptist Church of Vienna presents production to community.

BY DONNA MANZ
THE CONNECTION

For two evenings last week, the church members of Vienna's first church, First Baptist Church of Vienna, brought the Easter story to life. Incorporating narration in two scenes (tableau vivant) and spoken dialogue in another, the period-costume presentation acted out the Last Supper, trial and Crucifixion of Christ. Shepherds and townspeople made their way through the tented village and gentle farm animals rounded out the drama. The free event was open to the public.

"We believe Easter is very special in the lives of those in the Christian faith," said Rev. Dr. Kenny Smith, pastor at First Baptist Church of Vienna, a predominantly African-American church. "We present this on the lawn to share this great event with our neighbors. We hope they'll stop by and meet us."

Spectators were out in full force by the opening scene, socializing with one another and following the scenes as they were sequentially acted-out. The Last Supper and Crucifixion scenes were narrated as actors portrayed the details of the story.

This year, for the first time in the presentation's three-year history, the youth of the church was brought into the production in speaking roles. Young church members recited their roles in the trial tableau. "It's one of the ways we help to form the faith of our young people," said Rev. Ethel Bothuel, minister of worship and arts. "We wanted to tell the old, old story in a new and thought-provoking way."

The Living Easter Story is First Baptist Church's way of giving back to the community, Bothuel said.

She referred to the church as "the church that loves."

Three signs planted in the lawn spoke of what Bothuel refers to as the salvation equation. "One cross plus three nails equals 4given," said Bothuel.

APPROXIMATELY 30 ACTORS, from children to seniors, and a backstage crew of volunteers, began preparations in mid-winter for the April 1-2 production of the final days of Christ. On April 2, First Baptist was joined by the congregation of Vienna Presbyterian Church.

For members like Quentin S. Taylor, who said he came into the congregation late in his life, the living Easter story had meaning that he sees in everyday living. It reminds the community, he said, of Christ's values and blessings. "We should remember that we're enjoying this nice spring day because it's been given to us by Christ."

Bar-C Ranch in Berryville brought to the event one rabbit, two lambs, a mother sheep, a goat and her baby and a donkey. Young children pet the baby animals, and even Dandelion the donkey allowed herself to be stroked.

"One of our goals is to get people not churched to let them know our congregation is a friendly congregation."

— Rev. Dr. Kenny Smith

"ONE OF OUR GOALS is to get people not churched to let them know our congregation is a friendly congregation," said Smith. "When they come to this, they see we are good neighbors."

The drama is one of First Baptist Church of Vienna's many community outreach programs. In early summer, First Baptist hosts a picnic on church grounds open to the Vienna-Oakton community.

The church, more than 140 years old, has 1,100 members who come in, not only from Vienna, but throughout Northern Virginia and Maryland. Some, like Deloris Emerson of Vienna, are lifetime members.

"To see the scenes of how it (the Crucifixion) happened really touches my heart," said Emerson, whose great-greatgrandfather helped found First Baptist Church of Vienna. "It's important to realize what Easter is really all about."

CRIME

Activities reported by the Vienna police department through April 2.

ARRESTS

Maple Ave. at East St., S.E. March 19, 10:15 p.m. MPO Farhan conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle. Upon his interaction with the driver, MPO Farhan detected signs of possible impairment. After attempting to complete several field sobriety tests the driver, a 19-year-old male of Tapawingo Road in Vienna was arrested for Driving While Intoxicated. He refused to provide a sample of his breath for

analysis and was charged with Driving While Intoxicated and Refusal to Submit to a Breath Test at the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center.

Maple Ave. at James Madison Drive, N.W. March 26, 3:11 a.m. After observing a vehicle narrowly miss colliding with another vehicle, Sergeant Taylor conducted a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver Sergeant Taylor detected signs of possible impairment. After attempting to complete several field sobriety tests, a 26-year-old male of Fairchester Drive in Fairfax was arrested for Driving While

Intoxicated. He was transported to Vienna Police Headquarters for analysis of his breath. He was then transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center.

1000 Block Pickett Place, S.W. March 27, 10 p.m. MPO Shaver and MPO Seitz responded to a residence to begin investigating a domestic dispute. Their investigation revealed that a man and woman had been arguing over spending money. The woman had become angry and attempted to drive away. While attempting to back out of the

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PEOPLE

It's Fun To Be a Vienna Mom

Local club builds friendships for moms, children.

BY DONNA MANZ
THE CONNECTION

Vienna moms have access to the best-kept secret in their particular Vienna Zip code. It's Vienna Moms, Inc., open to all Vienna mothers, whether stay-at-home or salaried. Spun off from a larger umbrella organization and incorporated as Vienna Moms, Inc. in 2006, the club has 250 dues-paying members.

"This is the best way I have found to make long-lasting, meaningful relationships with other moms," said Allison Phair, who took over as Vienna Moms president last July. Phair left a Washington, D.C. law practice three years ago, just before the birth of her second child. After retiring, she Googled the Internet looking for other Vienna moms to interact with and with which to form

playgroups. There, she found Vienna Moms, Inc.

"I've seen some absolutely wonderful friendships blossom among the children, too," she said.

Phair's 5-year-old daughter, Lindsay, although now in preschool, maintains friendships with peers she met as a toddler. Even though she likes the activities, Lindsay said she liked making friends with Elizabeth, a good friend she met when she was 2 1/2-years old.

"BY SHARING our experiences, we get new ideas and tips that help each other," said Elizabeth Lucca, a 1-to-2-year-old playgroup coordinator. When Lucca's former playgroup grew too large, it split and Lucca took over the new group.

Vienna Moms tries to keep the playgroups to no more than 10 children. Each playgroup has a coordinator who sets up playdates,

and, frequently, mini-groups spring up from within. Moms and children attend both playgroups weekly, if they wish.

Some Vienna Moms belong to two different-age playgroups or go back to younger groups as an older age goes off to preschool. Currently, Vienna Moms has 17 active playgroups.

The organization is confined to four Vienna Zip codes — 22180, 22181, 22182, 22124 — for practical reasons. "Playgroups can't have moms and kids all spread out, traveling far from their houses," said Phair.

While playgroups are scheduled for daytime hours, Vienna Moms offers evening and weekend activities, as well, from moms' night out to speaker series and family events. Not all members participate in playgroups, but 60-65 percent do. The organization's main

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"The moms in the group have really become my very good friends."

— Vienna Mom, Sarah Glassman



CONTRIBUTED

Elizabeth Lucca, Vienna Moms playgroup coordinator, and son, Logan. Lucca says it is the friendships and activities that make Vienna Moms special.



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Expectant mother Sarah Glassman and daughter Anna participate in Vienna Moms' playgroup.

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Free Workshop for Executors

"Ten Things Every Executor Should Know" will be presented on Monday, April 12, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St., S.E. Attorney David Hoffman will discuss preparing probate papers, filing tax returns, prudent investing, taking a commission and basic fiduciary accounting.

This program is free of charge, and no advance registration is required. For more information, call the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department at 703-255-6360 or visit www.viennava.gov.

World War II Exhibit Closes April 30

Historic Vienna, Inc. must close its popular exhibit "Vienna Remembers World War II" on Friday, April 30. This will be the last opportunity to visit this tribute to the Vienna-area veterans, their families and the many generous residents who shared their stories and their memorabilia with all of us. The exhibit has been open since late 2008 and extended due to the outpouring of interest and support from the community.

"Vienna Remembers World War II" is in the upstairs exhibit room at Historic Freeman House, 131 Church St., N.E., Vienna. It is open Wednesday through Saturday from 12-4 p.m. and Sunday from 1-5 p.m. For more information, call 703 938 5187.

Collection Under Way for Used Books Sale

Book collection is under way for Historic Vienna, Inc.'s annual Used Book Sale at the Freeman House, 131 Church Street, NE. Please no magazines, newspapers, textbooks, encyclopedias, National Geographic or Reader's Digest Condensed Books. Receipts for tax purposes may be obtained during regular business hours, Wednesday through Saturday from 12-4 p.m. and Sunday, from 1-5 p.m. Books may be left on the front porch at any time.

The Used Book Sale will take place on Saturday and Sunday, June 12 and 13, with all proceeds going to support the activities of Historic Vienna, Inc. For information or to volunteer to help with book sorting or on sale days, call

Voter Registration Deadline

Tuesday, April 13, is the last day for Town of Vienna residents to register to vote in the May 4 town election. Registration is conducted in person at various locations around Fairfax County, or by mail. For more information, call the County General Registrar's Office at 703-222-0776.

Registered voters do not need to register for the town election; however, they should check their voter registration card to be sure it lists a current address.

This year, Vienna voters will elect the mayor and three Town Council members for two-year terms beginning July 1.

Vienna To Recognize Volunteers

Mayor Jane Seeman has proclaimed Tuesday, April 13, as Volunteer Recognition Day in the Town of Vienna to celebrate and promote volunteerism in the community. A special meeting of the Mayor's Advisory Committee takes place April 13, at 8 p.m., in the Flame Room at the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department, 400 Center St., S., to recognize the individuals who were nominated as outstanding volunteers for 2010. The public is invited to attend. For more information, call the mayor's office at 703-255-6310.

Those who will be honored on Volunteer Recognition Day include Mary Jane Altmiller, Florence Andrews, Holly Bell, John Bogue, Peggy Brumsted, Wendy Cardany, Nancy Christmas, Shawn Dilles, Jim Dowell, Barbara Franklin, John Eric Franklin, Jeff Frederick, Beth Gourley, Marianne Hanton, the Hartt family, Anne Kelleher, Paul Kim, Jeff and Michelle Meyer, Jean Moore, Vienna Volunteer Fire Department Chief John Morrison, Mike Paruti, Linda Phipps, Joan Rich, Glenn Richard, Dirk Salverian, Jean Schafer, Paul Schmitt, Burt Sharp, Mark Smith, Ted and Cindy Speck, Heather Stevenson, the Tim Strike family, Jack Tarr, Jane Towle, Sophie and Colin Whelpley, and the ladies in the back room of Pennywise Thrift Shop - Martha Clark, Muriel Heermans, Claire Hill, Helen Ide, Helen McGee, Shirley O'Meara, Anna Marie Rector, Chris Spencer, Mary Williams and Mary Wood.

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Cuccinelli Misleads on Costs

Perhaps we need a referendum to decide if and when Virginia will spend time, resources and image on challenging federal actions?

Some of us are probably prepared to admit that we are embarrassed, as two of Virginia's major newspapers warned we might be. But no one predicted that there would be so much to blush about so soon.

Suddenly, Virginia is in the national spotlight, not for being home of the Internet along the Dulles corridor, not for being the place for lovers (too many exceptions apply), not for being the mother of many presidents, not for its history, not for its wine.

No, Virginia is in the national spotlight because our newly elected Attorney General, Ken Cuccinelli of Clifton, Fairfax County, has taken to court declaring recently passed landmark health care legislation as unconstitutional. He also sued to stop the regulation of greenhouse gasses and now will challenge new federal standards for auto emissions (even though even the auto industry would rather have federal controls that a patchwork of state regulations).

He opened his administration telling Virginia's dramatically underfunded colleges and universities that they could not include sexual orientation in their anti-discrimination policies.

Last October, before the election, the Virginian Pilot warned: "Cuccinelli's election would bring embarrassment to Virginia." The Washington Post, a few days later: "Cuccinelli would drive away qualified lawyers from an office that

functions as the state government's law firm, and, given his bizarre ideas, he would very likely become an embarrassment for the commonwealth."

ADDING INJURY TO INSULT, Cuccinelli denies that these escapades are costing the Commonwealth anything, releasing a statement claiming, for example, that the only costs involved are the filing fees, \$350 in the case of the constitutional challenge to the health care.

That's like saying it didn't cost anything to close the Federal Government in the snow emergency in February. The actual cost was about \$70 million a day.

Cuccinelli owes his constituents a real accounting of the costs, the amount staff time devoted to the efforts. The Office of the Attorney General is Virginia's law firm, and there are established methods for billing and assessing costs.

Most important is admitting the opportunity costs. What is it that his office is not doing because of the time and focus playing national politics?

His two immediate predecessors, Gov. Bob McDonnell and Virginia Supreme Court Justice Bill Mims, both focused on consumer protection. McDonnell launched the "consumer alert of the month," a column which addressed real problems faced by ordinary Virginians in terms of financial fraud, identity theft and

other critical issues. Mims maintained the monthly effort. The columns appeared in media around the state, and served both as a warning and as a means of reaching out to people who had been victims.

The last such "alert" was filed the month before Cuccinelli took office, after monthly entries for four years through 2009. (www.oag.state.va.us/CONSUMER/Consumer_Alert_Archive.html)

Taking care of Virginian's interests is not at the top of the priorities of the current attorney general.

The 14 duties and powers of the Office of the Attorney General (see www.oag.state.va.us/OUR_OFFICE/Role.html) include providing information on identity theft and remediation, help Social Services collect child support, prosecute certain environmental and computer crimes, enforce laws that protect businesses and consumers, represent consumers in utility matters before the State Corporation Commission, in addition to providing legal advice and opinions to the Governor, General Assembly and other state agencies.

Ken Cuccinelli was elected state senator representing the 37th District, part Prince William and Fairfax counties, in a special election in 2002. The election drew 16.6 percent of registered voters after state Sen. Warren Barry (R) resigned to take a job with the Warner Administration. Cuccinelli was reelected in 2003 and then in 2007 held onto his seat by less than 100 votes.

— MARY KIMM,

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EDITORIAL

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Taking a Lead on Smoking Cessation

To the Editor:

During last year's General Assembly session, Virginia enacted its first significant anti-smoking legislation in history. The state law restricting smoking in restaurants went into effect Dec. 1, 2009. It is particularly important when taken in the context of Virginia's historic role in tobacco growing and manufacturing. While the legislation is not perfect, restricting smoking in restaurants is a positive step in addressing health-related illnesses associated with smoking.

However, more needs to be done.

Tobacco-related illnesses remain the #1 preventable cause of death in the United States. According to the American Lung Association, these illnesses equate to 393,000 American deaths each year and an additional 50,000 deaths from secondhand smoke. In Virginia, ciga-

rette smoking claims about 9,000 smokers a year and an estimated 1,200 nonsmokers from exposure to second-hand smoke. From personal family experience, I can relate to the deadly consequences of tobacco use.

The next significant step that must be taken is for Virginia employers to take a leadership role in promoting smoking cessation through anti-smoking programs in the workplace and by eliminating the co-pay requirements for smoking cessation therapies. I am proud that the Commonwealth of Virginia and Norfolk Southern Corp. have taken a lead in this area.

Nicotine, smoking's addictive ingredient, is actually more addictive than heroin! Therefore, smoking is a tough habit to quit, with studies suggesting it takes up to six tries to be successful. Smoking cessation is most successful when medication and therapy are combined.

These treatments can be expensive, and the costs deter smokers from taking a course of action that could lead to ending their habit.

Cost barriers must be reduced or eliminated if we are truly to promote smoking cessation programs. In fact, the Center for Disease Control recommends that health plans:

- ❖ Cover at least four counseling sessions of at least 30 minutes each, including telephone and individual counseling sessions;
- ❖ Cover both prescription medication and over-the-counter nicotine replacement treatments;
- ❖ Provide counseling and medication coverage for at least two tobacco cessation attempts per year; and
- ❖ Eliminate or minimize co-pays or deductibles for counseling and medications.

What is the cost to Virginia and our country if we don't provide incentives for smokers to quit?

Smoking related illnesses cost our nation \$193 billion annually. In Virginia, estimated health-care costs related to tobacco use are \$2.1 billion, including \$400 million in Medicaid costs.

A November 2008 American Lung Association of Pennsylvania

report revealed an average pack of cigarettes in that state retails for \$4.72 while the combined medical costs and productivity losses attributable to each pack of cigarettes is five times higher, or \$23.78. The report revealed that every dollar spent on smoking cessation results in cost savings of roughly \$1.28 to \$2.76, depending on the type of intervention.

It is clear from both an economic and health perspective, the Commonwealth and businesses have to do more to promote smoking cessation programs. I encourage employers to follow the lead of Norfolk Southern and the state government by eliminating the financial barrier for employees to quit smoking. It will save employers money by reducing lost time to smoking related illnesses, but more importantly it will save lives.

Vincent F. "Vince" Callahan Jr.
Alexandria

The writer served in the Virginia General Assembly for 40 years, representing the 34th District.

Symbol of Friendship

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Bulova, a guest of the Korean government on the Northern Virginia visit to Korea, keeps a replica of a Korean bell in her office, a gift from KACC. "It's representative of the beautiful relationship of the Korean-Fairfax County community," she said. Fairfax County now has a sister city in Korea, and plans are underway to develop a teacher exchange program.

Korean-Americans, numbered at 35,000, are the largest minority group in Fairfax County.

Of the 200,000 Korean-Americans living in the Washington, D.C. area, most live in Northern Virginia, said Jin Soo Nam of McLean, minister counselor of the Republic of Korea Embassy. "This is the first time we are building a Korean cultural icon in this area," Nam said.

To complete the setting, two totem poles, representing the sky and the ground, have been erected. Historically, the totem poles were presented at the entrance to a village, and the people living there believed the representations would protect the village



Jeung-Hwa Elmejjad-Yi of KACC, Ambassador Dr. Duk-soo Han and his wife Ahyoung see the Korean bell garden as a way to celebrate the relationship between the U.S. and the Republic of Korea.

from misfortune.

Gilbert noted that the cast iron bell will be made as these bells have been since 700 AD. The wood for the pavilion is being ordered now and by next spring, the first phase — the pavilion and the bell — is anticipated to be in-place.

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VIEWPOINTS

Should Vienna Have Its Own Skatepark?

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Maddie Min

fourth grade, Vienna

"There should probably be a skatepark, but I don't know where they have room for one. It would probably cost money, too."



Brandon Kim

sixth grade, Vienna

"Yes, because a lot of people can go there and you don't have to drive too far."



Colin McCarthy

fourth grade, Fairfax

"Vienna should have a skatepark because skateboarding is awesome and Vienna doesn't have any."



Sam Reinholtz

second grade, Vienna

"Yes, because it's fun and everyone would be allowed to go to it. There might be friends you know. And it's right at the fire department, so if you get hurt, they would have some stuff to help."



Jonathan Mack

fifth grade, Vienna

"Oh, yes. I really wanted to be in a skatepark before. My parents don't know the directions to the nearest skatepark so this is the first one I've been to. If there was one in Vienna, I'd probably go to it each day during summer and spring breaks."



Jake Ham

second grade, Vienna

"Yeah, there's a lot of people that skateboard after school."



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PEOPLE

Vienna Student Performs in 'Romeo and Juliet'

Jonathon "J.B." Bridgeman of Vienna was selected to play Peter for the University of Mary Washington production of "Romeo and Juliet."

Bridgeman is the son of Pete and Kathy Bridgeman of Vienna, and is a 2008 graduate of James Madison High School. A sophomore English and education major, Bridgeman previously appeared in the UMW productions of "Our Town" as Joe Crowell and "Goodnight Desdemona, (Good Morning Juliet)" as Tybalt.

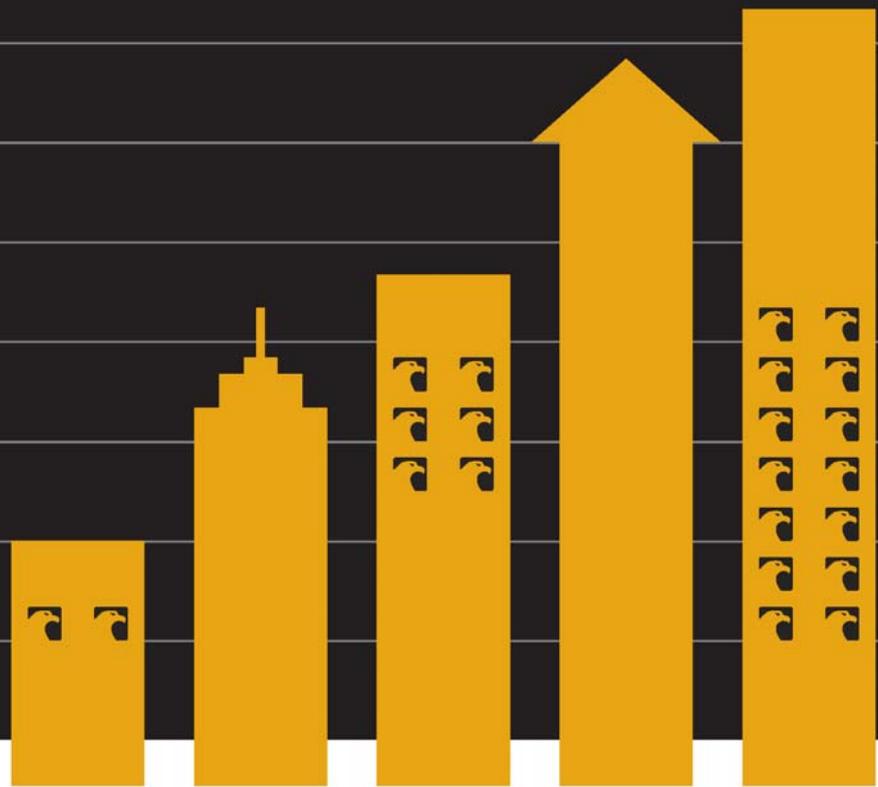
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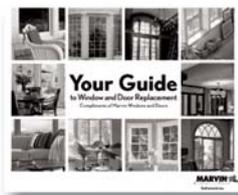
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THURSDAY/APRIL 8

William M. Ferraro on 'George Washington's Mind, or, A General's Genius.' 7:30 p.m. at the McLean Historical Society, McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. Ferraro is an assistant professor and assistant editor with the Papers of George Washington at the University of Virginia. schulm@erols.com.

Swing Dance with Natty Beaux. 7:30 at The Old Town Hall, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. 703-424-1745 or www.headoverheelsdance.com.

Shane Hines (acoustic), Scott Simons and Bleu. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. \$12. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

Time Strategies for Life & Work. 7 p.m. at The Women's Center, 127 Park St. N.E., Vienna. \$35 nonmembers, \$25 members. Register at www.thewomenscenter.org or 703-281-2657.

Treasured Threes to Fives. 10:30 a.m. Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. Stories and songs. Age 3-5 with adult. 703-938-0405.

Irish folksinger, songwriter and harpist Moya Brennan. 8 p.m. at Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1624 Trap Road, Vienna. \$25. www.wolftrap.org.

FRIDAY/APRIL 9

David L. Chewning Book Signing. 1 p.m. at Vinson Hall Retirement Community, 6251 Old Dominion Drive, McLean. 89-year-old Chewning, a retired Air Force major, has just published his second novel, "A Life Worth Living", with the help of "History Matters" project volunteers. 703-506-2133.

Yu Wei Chinese Dance Collection. 8 p.m. at the McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. Chinese dance, costumes and film. Rescheduled from Feb. 5-7. 703-790-9223.

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English Conversation. 10 a.m. Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. Group for adult non-native English speakers of all levels. 703-938-0405.

Pokemon League. 3 p.m. Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. Learn and play. Age 5-18. 703-938-0405.

Amphibians After Dark. 7:30 p.m. at Riverbend Park, 8700 Potomac Hills St., Great Falls. Learn to identify frogs and toads by their calls. Explore the ponds and pools bordering the Potomac River after dark. \$5 per person. Ages 7 and up. Register at 703-759-9018.

The Discovery Series: the Los Angeles Guitar Quartet. 8 p.m. at Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1624 Trap Road, Vienna. \$35. www.wolftrap.org.

The College of Visual and Performing Arts Impact 2010:

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SATURDAY/APRIL 10

Mad 5K Run and One Mile Walk. 9 a.m. at James Madison High School, 2500 James Madison Drive, Vienna. The race will benefit the James Madison track team. Awards will be presented to the top 3 male and female finishers, as well as age group awards. T-shirts and refreshments will be available. \$15 students, \$20 adults at www.active.com/framed/event or craig.chasse@fcps.edu.

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Great Falls Studios Fourth Annual Spring Art Festival. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at Colvin Run Historic Schoolhouse, 10201 Colvin Run Road, Great Falls. Watercolor and oil paintings, pottery, weaving, traditional and digital photography, art quilts and more by Great Falls artists. Free admission. 703-442-9251.

Garth Fagan Dance. 8 p.m. at George Mason University Center for the Arts Concert Hall, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. A blend of ballet, contemporary dance and Afro-Caribbean movement by the Tony Award-winning choreographer of "The Lion King." Pre-performance discussion, free to ticket holders, begins at 7:15 p.m. on the Center's Grand Tier III. Tickets are \$22-\$44, available at 888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu.

Ingrid King Booksigning. 2-4 p.m. at Vienna Pet Spaw, 101 Church Street, Suite A, in Vienna. Author of "Buckley's Story: Lessons from a Feline Master Teacher." www.ingridking.com.

The Smart Split. 10 a.m. at McLean Governmental Center, 1437 Balls Hill Road, McLean. \$45 nonmembers, \$35 members. Register at www.thewomenscenter.org or 703-281-2657.

McLean Community Center Spring Community Garage Sale. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Business Bank parking garage, 1451 Dolley Madison Blvd., McLean. Household items, toys, electronics, glassware, clothing, collectibles and more. Free admission. 703-790-0123 TTY 711 or www.mcleancenter.org/special-events.

Microsoft Word. 2:30 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Learn the basics of word processing. Age 13 and up. 703-293-6227.

Claude Moore Colonial Farm Dairy Day. 1-4 p.m. at The Claude Moore Colonial Farm, 6310 Georgetown Pike, McLean. Help the colonial farm family churn butter and cheese. Find out what curds and whey are, and gain a new appreciation for these foods. \$3 adults; \$2 children and senior citizens. www.1771.org/directions.htm.

Large-Scale Service Project with Tysons Corner Kiwanis. 8 a.m. at Clemjontjri Park, 6317 Georgetown

Pike, McLean. Help complete projects around the park to make it a better place for children of all abilities to play. Volunteers welcome. www.tysonscornerkiwanis.org.
Julie Murphy Wells: Sophisticated Lady. 7:30 p.m. at Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1624 Trap Road, Vienna. \$25. www.wolftrap.org.

SUNDAY/APRIL 11

African Children's Concert: Journey of Hope. 4 p.m. at George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Music and dance from across the African continent. A pre-performance discussion, free to ticket holders, begins at 3:15 p.m. on the Center's Grand Tier III. \$21-\$42, available at 888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu. Youth through grade 12 half price.

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Old Dominion Chrysanthemum Society Meeting. 2:30 p.m. at the Falls Church Community Center, 223 Little Falls St., Falls Church. A one hour slide program on cultivating and propagating garden mums. Free admission, open to the public. Jim Dunne, 703-560-8776.

MONDAY/APRIL 12

Family Abuse: What Is It? 7 p.m. at The Women's Center, 127 Park St, N.E., Vienna. Free. Registration required at www.thewomenscenter.org

Shannon McNally and Hot Sauce. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. \$12. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

TUESDAY/APRIL 13

DC101's Last Band Standing. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. \$10. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

WEDNESDAY/APRIL 14

Matthew Perryman Jones and Joshua James. 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. \$10 in advance, \$13 at the door. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

THURSDAY/APRIL 15

Neil Innes (Monty Python, Rutles). 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. \$15. www.jamminjava.com.

Fairfax Antique Arts Association: Herend China. 10:15 a.m. at the City of Fairfax Senior Center, Green Acres Center, 4401 Sideburn Road, Room 111, Fairfax. Seymour Lazerowitz will display and speak about pieces from his collection. Free; annual membership fee required to attend subsequent meetings. 703-359-2487.

FRIDAY/APRIL 16

American Legion Post 270 Citrus Sale. 8 a.m.-6 p.m. at American Legion Post 270, 1355 Balls Hill

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Egg Hunt at Great Falls Village Centre

The Great Falls Optimist Club and Adeler Jewelers are once again teaming up to host the egg hunt at the Village Centre on Sunday, April 11, at 1 p.m. Check in begins at 12:30 p.m.

This will be the 26th year that the hunt has taken place. "This year, in light of the recession, we decided to bring the event to the community at no charge," said Joda Coolidge, club president. "The Optimist Club and Adeler Jewelers will be underwriting the cost of the event. Typically, this is a fund raiser for us, but we felt this would be a good year to do it just for fun." Donations will be gladly accepted.

The egg hunt includes more than \$5,000 worth of gemstones donated by Adeler Jewelers, mixed with candy and stuffed into 5,000 plastic eggs that are scattered around the Village Centre for children ages 1-10 to find. A giant bunny will be on hand to help the littlest ones and ensure that every child leaves with some eggs.

There will be no rain date for this event. Participants may call 703-759-4076 on April 11 after 9 a.m. to learn if inclement



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weather will force cancellation of the event, but the organizers plan to proceed unless the weather makes things unsafe or is too awful to carry on. The Village Centre will be divided into sections according to age, so children will need to check in at 12:30 p.m. and line up at the appropriate entrance.

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Preliminary artist rendering of the Oakcrest School's new facility.



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Oakcrest School Step Closer to Vienna

School granted special exception to build on new location.

Oakcrest School, an independent school for girls grades 6-12, located in McLean, is looking forward to relocating to Vienna, after being granted a Special Exception by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors on March 23.

Originally established in Washington, D.C., in 1976, Oakcrest has been at its present location in McLean since 2000. Planning for a permanent home began several years ago when Oakcrest determined that its students would be best served in a new facility and sought to find a new location to build a new school. Since purchasing property for a permanent home in Vienna, in November 2007, Oakcrest has prepared site plans and submitted a Special Excep-

tion request to the County.

Plans for the new Oakcrest School include expanding the facilities to better fulfill its mission, a larger campus to provide additional classroom space and expanded sports facilities for the students. Holly Hartge, Director of Admission, said, "Our new location in Vienna allows us to continue serving our families while reaching a larger pool of students."

After the successful conclusion of the Special Exception process, Oakcrest is proceeding with the next steps of filing for the necessary permits to begin building. Concurrently, the school has embarked on a capital campaign to raise the funds necessary for this project.

While the exact timeline of the move is dependent upon the permitting process and fundraising, Ellen M. Cavanagh, Head of School, said, "Our goal is to continue to grow and make an Oakcrest education available to a larger number of girls."

Oakcrest is located at 850 Balls Hill Road in McLean. For more information about the School, contact the Admission Office at 703-790-5450.

SCHOOL NOTES

Send school notes to vienna@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Friday.

Julia Rapp of Vienna has been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at SUNY Cortland. Rapp is a freshman international studies major.

Christina Fellows of Vienna was named to the Summit League's Fall Academic All-League Teams at Centenary College of Louisiana.

Eric Noll of Vienna has been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Gettysburg College of Gettysburg, Pa.

Grace Thomas of Vienna has been named to the fall 2009 honor roll at Bethel University of McKenzie, Tenn.

Lauren Wise of Vienna has been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Connecticut College of New London, Conn.

Paul Gross of Oakton has been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at the University of Vermont in Burlington, Vt.

Hankyul Kim of Vienna was named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Emory College of Emory University in Atlanta, Ga. Kim is the son of Dr. Jongwoon Kim and Hyunjoo Lee.

Caitlin M. Klimavicz of Vienna has been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at the Millikin University College of Fine Arts.

Three Vienna residents have been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Virginia Military Institute: **Jason E. Farley**, a junior psychology major and the son of Lynne M. Pahl; **John A. Martinez**, a junior international studies major and the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Martinez Jr.; and **Christopher D. Newcomb**, a junior civil engineering major and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell S. Newcomb.

Christian A. Guaglianone of Oakton has been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Virginia Military Institute. The freshman chemistry major is the son of Lisa M. Barbieri.

Andrew Feeney of Oakton has been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Worcester Polytechnic Institute of Worcester, Mass. Feeney is a freshman majoring in computer science, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Feeney.

Hope Flanagan of Vienna has been named to the fall 2009 president's list at the University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg. Flanagan is a sophomore.

Michael Medwedeff of Vienna was named to the fall 2009 dean's list at the Pennsylvania College of Technology. Medwedeff is the son of David and Judi Medwedeff.

The following Vienna residents have been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Virginia Tech at

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Community Champions

Tysons Corner Center Employees honored for contribution to community.

Volunteer Fairfax and Supervisor Linda Q. Smyth (D-Providence) will honor the employees of Tysons Corner Center with a Community Champion award during the 18th annual Fairfax County Volunteer Service Awards. The 2010 ceremony will be Friday, April 23, at the Fairview Park Marriott in Falls Church. The mall employees have shown dedication to the American tradition of volunteering by assisting families staying at the Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC), as well as participating in summer projects with the Fairfax County Park Authority at Nottoway Park.



The employees of Tysons Corner Center will receive a Community Champion award.

Smyth nominated the employees of the Tysons Corner Center for this award for their dedication to the neighboring community. The residents of the RMHC have benefited from the Tysons Corner Center employees' weekly visits to cook for families staying at the RMHC home, landscaping and beautification of their facility and hosting the annual walk-a-thon each March. Along with their volunteer work, the employees also partner with local nonprofit organizations, such as Fairfax County Park Authority at Nottoway

Park, to assist with events, habitat restoration and traffic control. Smyth describes the volunteer program of the Tysons Corner Center as "a wonderful example of how a business can contribute to our community through a wide range of ongoing volunteer efforts."

For more information about the Community Champions or to purchase tickets, visit www.volunteerfairfax.org.

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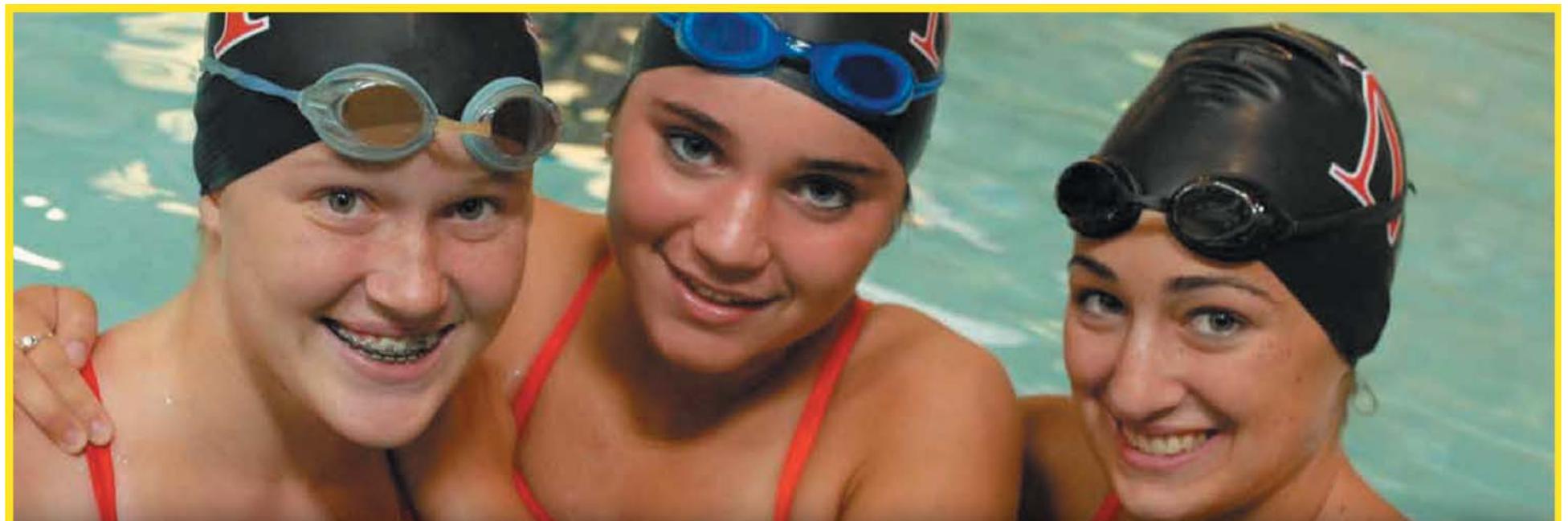


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THURSDAY/APRIL 8

Beulah Road Al-Anon Group. 7:30 p.m. at the Antioch Christian Church, 1860 Beulah Road, Vienna. Practicing the Twelve Steps, welcoming and giving comfort to families of alcoholics, and giving understanding and encouragement to the alcoholic. revku@cox.net.

Registration for St. Mark ESL for Adults. 7 p.m. on the second floor of St. Mark Christian Formation Center (school), 9972 Vale Road, Vienna. There are seven proficiency levels, from Beginner 1 to Advanced 2. \$15 for the 9-week semester; classes will meet Tuesday and Thursday at 8 p.m. New students must also purchase the appropriate book. An optional basic computer skills class is offered to intermediate and advanced ESL students. Contact 703-216-4488 or 703-477-2389 for information in English or Spanish. For information in Korean, contact 703-994-8510 or 703-505-0123.

Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna Spring Adventures in Learning Open House and Registration. 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter

Mill Road, Oakton. Classes will be 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Thursdays April 15-June 10. \$40 fee. Classes include Tai Chi, Bridge, World and National Affairs, Health, and Women in Religion. 703-281-0538 or www.scov.org.

TUESDAY/APRIL 13

NARFE Vienna-Oakton Chapter 1116 Monthly Meeting. 1:30 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St. S.E., Vienna. Speakers will be Vienna Town Council candidates Laurie Genevro Cole, Edythe Frankel Kelleher and Michael J. Polychrones. Contact Shirley Keyes at 703-698-1838.

Vienna Area Branch of AAUW. 7 p.m. at the City of Fairfax Library, Meeting Room A/B, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Jackie Bong-Wright will speak of her life in Vietnam and subsequent public service in the U.S., including her organization's resettlement of Vietnamese boat people, Cambodian, Laotian and Afghan refugees. Free, public invited. 703-314-9609.

WEDNESDAY/APRIL 14

Keep Tysons Moving: Capital Beltway HOT Lanes and Dulles Metrorail Construction. 7:30 a.m. at Capital One, 1680 Capital One Drive, McLean. Construction

schedules and traffic impacts, resources for employers and commuters and more. Continental breakfast. Reserve at outreach@virginiahotlanes.com or 877-959-5222.

2010 North Vienna Snow Summit.

7:30 p.m. at The Barns of Wolftrap, 1635 Trap Road, Vienna. Supervisor Cathy Hudgins invites residents to come and share experiences and ideas on how to better handle the road and storm related issues. Also present will be Virginia Del. Mark Keam (D), State Sen. Chap Peterson, Mayor Jane Seeman of Vienna, and representatives from Fairfax County Public Schools, Dominion Power and VDOT. 703-478-0283 or hntmill@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Multiple Sclerosis Support Group.

7 p.m. at Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park St. N.E., Vienna. A group for anyone with multiple sclerosis and/or their family and friends. Sponsored by the National Capital Chapter of the MS Society. Free. 703-768-4841.

THURSDAY/APRIL 15

Park Authority Listening Forum. 7 p.m. at the Great Falls Grange, 9818 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Talk to members of the Park Authority Board and Park Authority Director John Dargle Jr. 703-324-8662.

FAITH NOTES

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

The Guyasamaja Buddhist Center will host Glenn Mullin, an author, poet, translator, and teacher of Tibetan Buddhism. On Sunday, April 11, Mullin will teach two classes open to all-from beginners in Buddhist practice to advanced practitioners. 1 -5 p.m. Location: The Unitarian/Universalist Church, 1625 Wiehle Ave., Reston VA 20190. Suggested donation: one class \$10; both \$15.

Epiphany United Methodist Preschool, 1014 Country Club Drive, N.E. in Vienna, is now enrolling 3-4-year-old students for the 2010/2011 school year. Contact 703-938-2391 or www.epiphanypreschool.com.

The Jewish Social Services Agency (JSSA) offers a wide variety of support groups for those with emotional, social, and physical challenges. Contact Gary Axelrod, 301-610-8309 or gaxelrod@jssa.org, or www.jssa.org.

HAVEN of Northern Virginia offers a variety of free bereavement support groups, meeting on a weekly basis. Contact 703-941-7000 or www.havenofnova.org for schedules and registration information.

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

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

Vienna Assembly of God has a ministry to children on Wednesdays, 7-8 p.m. at the corner of Center N and Ayr Hill Avenue, N.E. Children's Church on Sundays also available. 703-938-7736 or www.ViennaAG.com.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION on Vienna Moms, Inc., see [www.http://viennamoms.org](http://viennamoms.org) or e-mail viennamoms@hotmail.com. The organization is in the process of enhancing its Web site.

Vienna Moms Forge Friendships

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clubwide family functions include participation in the annual Vienna Halloween parade, a winter holiday party and a spring fling.

"I think it (Vienna Moms) connects us to other people in the same situation," said expectant mother Sarah Glassman. Glassman brings her 2-year-old daughter to the club's weekly playgroups. "For us, the thing we like the best is the play group. Being home with Anna, it's nice to connect with other stay-at-home moms." Glassman noted that Vienna Moms welcomes all moms without regard to their work status.

Like Phair, Glassman found Vienna Moms, Inc. through an Internet search. A member for little over a year, Glassman appreciates the camaraderie of her playgroup friends and her proximity to them. "I feel I've learned so much from other moms in the group. It's a great opportunity to share experiences. The moms in the group have really become my very good friends," Glassman

said.

Lucca heard about Vienna Moms through a friend who directed her to the organization's Web site. She joined 1 1/2 years ago because she was looking for other moms for friendships. She also wanted to be sure her now 22-month-old son, Logan, had friends his own age around him.

"I've never made so many close friends since college," said Lucca. "It's the friendships and the activities we do with the kids in the groups that make this special. Logan socializes with kids his own age. He learns by watching other kids."

VIENNA MOMS, INC. has a five-member core board made up of a president, vice president of membership, vice president of social activities, secretary and treasurer. Additional officer positions supplement the board, including a social chair for children's activities who oversees club-wide parties for Halloween, holidays and spring fling. She also plans monthly activities for children and families to which all club members are invited. A social chair for

adults activities organizes and plans weekend and evening events monthly for moms. Members of the welcome committee telephone each new member to welcome them and deliver a welcome basket to their home. A speaker series coordinator plans and organizes speakers of interest to moms, from talks on potty training to picky eating and positive discipline. The newsletter editor produces club's newsletters and the philanthropy chair organizes Vienna Moms' community-wide philanthropic activities.

Dues are \$25 annually.

PHAIR ESTIMATED that 80 percent of her friendships were made through Vienna Moms. Many of the couples and families the Phairs see socially outside Vienna Moms are relationships forged through the Vienna Moms connection.

"You only get what you put into it," said Phair. "If you join and participate, attend events, you're going to meet lots of people, and, hopefully, make good long-lasting friendships with moms from your town who are in the same place as you are."



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Vienna Moms playgroup meets weekly. It's friendship-building for mothers and children.



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Vienna Moms, Inc. President Allison Phair, with her children Lindsay and Brady. She and her children have made many long-lasting relationships through Vienna Moms.

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BePeace class on April 2 at Unity of Fairfax.

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BePeace Comes to Area

Course participants learn how to 'feel peace, speak peace and teach peace.'

With participants from all over the U.S., Rita Marie Johnson, the founder of the Rasur Foundation, taught the BePeace Foundations Course for the first time on the East Coast at Unity of Fairfax from March 29 to April 2.

Volunteer Co-Chairs Donna N. Lee of Great Falls and Steven R. Marcom, a McLean resident since 1987, organized the BePeace Foundations Course. Lee is a peace minister and Marcom is a BePeace facilitator. Both said they were delighted to have had the opportunity to help bring BePeace to Northern Virginia.

"BePeace is an amazing class," said Patty Hagan of Reston. "The authenticity and integrity that its founder, Rita Marie, brought to the class made it a wonderful journey which I hope to share with others."

"BePeace is wonderful and effective tool for those who want to improve communication skills within oneself and in every form of relationships in work, family, friends, community and our world," said Sam Lee of Manassas. In this course, Johnson shared a practice she has termed BePeace. The course is a 40-hour experience where participants learn how to "feel peace, speak peace and teach peace."

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Co Chairs BePeace Fairfax, Donna N. Lee of Great Falls and Steve Marcom of McLean with Rita Marie Johnson, center.



Participant Kathryn Ashera, left, with BePeace founder Rita Marie Johnson.

Over the last three years, BePeace has been taught to graduate students from 16 countries at the United Nations University for Peace and 48 participants from 10 countries at the Summit of the Global Alliance of Ministries and Departments for Peace. BePeace

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Vienna resident Ryan Trainer, current executive vice president and 30-year Washington veteran, has been appointed a new president of the International Sleep Products Association (ISPA). Trainer joined ISPA in 2002 after more than 20 years in government and private law practice in Washington. Since coming to ISPA as the group's second ranking professional and general counsel, he has played a key role leading its statistics, legal, consumer product safety and sustainability platforms.



Trainer

"Washington is trying to impose many new costs on business, and the sleep products industry needs a strong and unified voice in our nation's capital, which ISPA provides," said Trainer.

He and his wife have two children and reside in Vienna.

Tyson's Corner Center in McLean has received a Gold and Silver U.S. MAXI Award in The International Council of Shopping Centers, Inc. (ICSC) annual MAXI Awards competition. The ICSC U.S. MAXI Awards honor and recognize the premier marketing, community outreach, sales promotions and visual merchandizing programs undertaken solely with the U.S. by U.S.-based retail real estate professionals and companies.

Tyson's Corner Center won its gold award in the Business-to-Business category, which recognizes marketing communications that is initiated by a shopping center and directed to other businesses (not consumers), such as retailers, specialty retailers, trade groups, investors, suppliers or other targeted commercial interests, using tactics which are designed to improve company profitability and brand identity rather than consumer sales, for its "Access Tysons" program.

Professional recognition for this award was given to: Allison Fischer, marketing manager, and Cory Scott, senior property manager from Tyson's Corner Center; as well as Macerich's Garry Butcher, vice president, marketing; Paul Sabina, assistant vice president, marketing, and Traci Weber, senior vice president, marketing.

Tyson's Corner Center won its silver award in the Cause Marketing category, which recognizes a single or ongoing event, program, or project that involved the cooperative efforts of a shopping center or company and a charitable or community need, interest, or cause, for its "From Movie Hall to Playing Ball" project. The project converted an old deserted movie theatre, which sat vacant at Tyson's Corner Center for nearly 20 years, into a much needed community resource - a new baseball and softball training facility, Tyson's Bullpen. The program brought together local businesses, donations and thousands of volunteers.

Jeff Grinspoon, a Senior Vice Presi-

dent, Wealth Advisor in the Morgan Stanley Smith Barney's Vienna office has been named to Barron's annual list of America's Top 1000 Advisers: 2010 State-by-State. The "Barron's Top 1000 Advisers" is a select group of individuals who are screened on a number of criteria. Among factors the survey takes into consideration are assets under management, revenue produced for the Firm and quality of service provided to clients.

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SCHOOL NOTES

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The following Vienna residents have been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Virginia Tech at Blacksburg: **Kathryn E. Rainey, Stephen J. Reed, Emma C. Schlosser, Andrea A. Shome, Stephanie T. Urman, Zihan Wu, Mohammad R. Abu-Eid, Elisabeth I. Bogart, Sally E. Brady, Corey A. Bryan, Brendan R. Byrnes, Kathleen C. D'Amico, Vincent P. D'Amico, Shannon E. Dean, Elizabeth A. Delurey, Kathleen D. DeSouza, Brian F. Disselkamp, Michael K. Fecher, Lauren H. Fischer, Adam B. Fisher, Karleen L. Gardiner, Jonathan R. Gillam, Russell H. Glazer, Luis G. Haddad and Christopher A. Hairfield.**

The following Vienna residents have been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Virginia Tech at Blacksburg: **Thomas P. Haugh, Kevin Y. Iskandar, Kristen M. Kovach, Peter A. Lawless, Brian P. McCarthy, Mary K. McFillin, Claire M. McKinney, James D. Mullison, Gopal R. Nath, Isabel Navarro, Melanie S.**

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The following Oakton residents have been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Virginia Tech at Blacksburg: **Eduardo A. Medina, Bethany H. Mulcahy, Laura K. Neiditch, Sandeep S. Pole, Erika E. Rasooly, Beleny L. Reese, Kristina M. Rud, Maria C. Rye, Rebecca A. Schaefer, Alexander B. Schmitt, Emma W. Schmitt, Rachel M. Stair, James C. Straton, Catelyn L. Thurman, Brent A. Willess, Christopher G. Yeates and Heidi E. Hafker.**

Vienna residents **Jennifer A. Enos, Alexander N. Mandell and Sunjay Sethi** have been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Boston University of Boston, Mass.

Jenna A. King of Oakton was named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Boston University of Boston, Mass.

Samantha Kathryn DiBella of Oakton was named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Miami University of Oxford, Ohio.

Vienna residents **Laura Blair Crosley, Alexa Corinne Gitler and Elizabeth Lewis Gray** were named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Miami University of Oxford, Ohio.

The following Vienna residents received degrees from Virginia Tech in Blacksburg at the Dec. 2009 graduation:

Helen Bui, bachelor of science in psychology; **Hubert Chin**, bachelor of arts in economics; **Daniel Houk**, bachelor of science in business in finance; **Amanda Lahaie**, bachelor of science in agricultural and applied economics; **Alexander Oishi**, bachelor of arts in interdisciplinary studies; **Kelsey Lanza**, bachelor of science cum laude in human development; **Stephen Reed**, bachelor of science magna cum laude in human nutrition, foods, and exercise; **Matthew Buck**, bachelor of science in business in accounting and information systems; and **Kathleen DeSouza**, bachelor of arts magna cum laude in English.

The following Vienna residents received degrees from Virginia Tech in Blacksburg at the Dec. 2009 graduation: **Andrew Donehoo**, bachelor of science in human development; **Jacob Ellis**; bachelor of science in business in marketing management; **Lauren Floyd**, bachelor of science in aerospace engineering; **Jonathan Gillam**, bachelor of arts in economics; **Samantha Houtz**, bachelor of science in business cum laude; **Michael Moini**, bachelor of science in biological sciences; **Maria Saab**, bachelor of arts magna cum laude in international studies; **Ashley Steinkraus**, bachelor of science in sociology; and **Thomas Winans**, bachelor of science in business in accounting and information systems.

Heather Mead of Oakton received a bachelor of science in business degree cum laude in finance from Virginia Tech in Blacksburg at the Dec. 2009 graduation.

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SPORTS

Madison Baseball Remains Upbeat Following Winless Spring Break

Warhawks played good baseball following tough first game in Sarasota.

BY RICH SANDERS
THE CONNECTION

While the Madison High baseball team did not experience any wins during its spring break trip to Sarasota, Fla. last week, the Warhawks, in going up against some of the better high school competition in the country, did benefit greatly from the early season tournament games.

For the record, the Warhawks lost all four of their games played at the Sarasota spring break tournament. But outside of their first game on the trip, Madison played some decent baseball in the renowned tournament's elite division and, with a few timely hits or defensive outs, could have easily come away with a couple of wins.

Madison coach Mark Gjormand said the stellar competition level his team faced in Florida would only help the Warhawks become a better outfit as they prepare to delve into the bulk of the season's schedule over the next several weeks.

"When you get in that type of competition, it's tough [to win]," said Gjormand. "We could have easily finished 2-2 or 3-1. This is considered one of the top tournaments in the country, and we were in the elite division. Overall, I think [the experience] will be good for us."

Gjormand, the longtime Madison coach, recalled back in 1997 when his team competed in a similar spring break tournament in San Diego and came home winless. For Madison, which has enjoyed enormous success over the years under Gjormand, losing spring break tournament games has hardly been the norm. But that 1997 Warhawks' team lost all four of its games in California before returning home and losing two more games against local teams to begin that season 0-6.

But what followed for Madison was a remarkable turnaround as the Warhawks, following the 0-6 start, won their next 14 consecutive wins in a season that ultimately saw them go as far as the Northern Region semifinals.

Gjormand told his current team about that long ago tournament out west. He said the Warhawks were disappointed about last week's results, but hardly lacking confidence.

"They know we got better as a team," he said. "They were all [exceptional] teams that we played."

MADISON'S WORST GAME of the trip was its first one — a 12-2 loss to Coral Glades High (Fla.) on Monday, March 29. That game took place at the local Sarasota High School. Thereafter, all of Madison's games took place at the Baltimore Orioles' spring training complex in Sarasota.

In that first game, Madison, perhaps a little nervous, played poorly.

"We kicked it around [defensively] and made some mistakes," said Gjormand. "We weren't very aggressive offensively."

The coach said he talked to his team following the game, using some of the same words he had used 12



Mark Gjormand, pictured, and his Madison team will play at McLean this Friday night.

years earlier in San Diego, the old adage that "If you want to be the best you've got to beat the best."

"We had a talk that night," said the coach. "We usually do extremely well in these [spring break] tournaments. After that loss, we just dug in and started battling. We grew up a lot down there."

With the to Coral Glades, Madison had gotten its worst game behind it. The following day saw the Warhawks play much better in an 11-5 loss to Ferguson High of Miami. While the final score was lopsided, Madison was right in that game into the late innings, trailing 5-4 in the sixth with runners on second and third and two outs. But the Warhawks could never tie the game or take the lead, and Ferguson broke it open thereafter.

In Madison's third game of the trip on March 31, Gjormand's club lost an 8-7 heart-breaker to Gulf Coast High of Naples. The Warhawks trailed 7-2 early before rallying to tie the game at 7-7. Ultimately, Gulf Coast scratched out another run to win.

Madison played its final game in Florida on April 1 against Cardinal Mooney of Sarasota. In that game, a 7-6 extra innings loss, Madison scored three runs in the top of the first, only to see its opponent answer with three in its first inning at bats. Later in the game, Madison, trailing 4-3, rallied for a pair of runs to go ahead 5-4. Mooney tied the game and after seven regulation innings the game remained tied. Cardinal Mooney finally won in the ninth inning.

Returning home without a win was not what Gjormand expected. But he was not discouraged with his team. The Warhawks had played hard and came back strong following their poorly played first game loss to Coral Glades.

"Down there, everybody can hit," said Gjormand, of the talented Florida teams. "But I thought we did some real good things. We didn't play well in our first game, but we played well after that."

Individual highlights of the trip included good pitching outings from freshman pitcher Dan Powers; solid play from another freshman, Andy McGuire; aggressive base running from TJ Ehrsham; and solid hitting from sophomore Nate Favero, sophomore Johnny Graham and senior Scott Bernier.

Madison, prior to its spring break trip, opened the season with district wins over Fairfax, 11-5, and Langley, 4-3.

Madison (2-4) was scheduled to play Liberty District games this week against visiting Stone Bridge on Tuesday, April 6 and host team McLean on Friday, April 9.



Garrett Roe of Vienna led St. Cloud State University (Minn.) to the NCAA Div. 1 ice hockey tournament quarterfinals this past winter season.

SPORTS NOTES

Vienna's Garrett Roe was one of four members on the St. Cloud State University (Minn.) men's hockey team to be named to the All-Western Collegiate Hockey Association (WCHA) Team. The selections were made on March 18. Roe, a junior forward, made Third Team All-WCHA. He was a key component in St. Cloud's successful winter season in which they went 24-14-5 overall and 15-9-4 in conference play. Roe led the Huskies in scoring with 49 points (20 goals and 29 assists) this season. He scored five power play goals and tallied two game-winning scores.

A three-time All-WCHA selection, Roe earned All-Conference Rookie Team in 2008. In just three seasons of play, he currently ranks fifth in team records with 142 career points, fifth with 87 career assists and 10th with 55 career goals.

St. Cloud's placed third in the WCHA standings during the regular season. At the WCHA postseason tournament, Roe helped the Huskies reach the finals. At the 16-

team NCAA Division 1 tournament, the Huskies posted a 4-3 overtime win over Northern Michigan in first round play before bowing out of the tournament with a 5-3 quarterfinals round loss to Wisconsin on March 27 at the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul. St. Cloud University is approximately one hour north-west of Minneapolis-St. Paul.

The George Marshall High girls' lacrosse program will be hosting its first Chili Cook off on Friday, April 16, from 6-9 p.m. Go to www.seen.itgo.com for more details and an entry form. Tasters tickets are \$7 and include unlimited chili samples and sides (cookies, cakes, pasta salad, etc). Cooks only pay \$5 with their four quart chili entry and also get unlimited chili and sides to sample. Best Chili (meat and veggie category) winners will receive a certificate and VISA gift card. Winner of Best Chili Name will receive a gift basket. Cook entry forms are due Tuesday, April 13.

"Choose Civility..."



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

...in Howard County." For some of you readers who may not make forays north into Howard County (think Columbia, Md.), perhaps you're unfamiliar as well with the ever-present, apparently popular and prideful green bumper sticker with the white printing adorned on many of its resident's automobiles promoting/advertising the civilized quality of life in this Maryland county: "Choose Civility in Howard County." As a resident in an adjacent county, I certainly am. And not because of any outreach to Montgomery County residents via radio, television or print (with which I'm familiar, anyway). No, the campaign, to the degree the production and dissemination/availability of these bumper stickers is concerted at all, seems to be a kind of passive-aggressive approach. Not exactly in your face, but likely within your sight, if you're driving behind a Howard County resident and paying attention, which I usually am. But the attention to which I'm now going to pay is somewhat unflattering. Isolated I'm sure, but certainly ironic given the image/brand-building going on through the appearance and presumptive token of their collective self-esteem.

However inadvertent it may have been, and however brief it was, I was nonetheless abruptly reminded, loudly and aggressively, that my driving delay in departing from a stop-light-having-just-turned-green was unacceptable. The driver behind me didn't just "lean" on his horn, if you know what I mean; he rested on it! Sorry, I thought, somewhat aggravated and nonplussed at the same time, as I pressed on the gas pedal and proceeded through the intersection. "Give me a break," (or something to that effect) as I reacted verbally to the tone and frequency of this horn o' plenty blaring directly behind me. "Cool it! Give me a second. Jeez." (I don't believe I swore, to tell you the truth.) And a few seconds later, this driver accelerated and passed me, but not before I noticed the familiar green bumper sticker on his car's rear bumper: "Choose Civility in Howard County." I didn't see whether the driver was a man or a woman, or whether the driver was in uniform or not (although the vehicle was not marked in any way); it simply appeared to be a regular passenger vehicle, not one on any kind of duty/in a hurry, but one proudly promoting the existence of civility in Howard County.

How ironic I thought. How rude I accused. How characteristic - or not, I wondered. I only wish I could have caught the whole episode on tape somehow; then found the Howard County employee/department responsible for this civility campaign; then found the actual driver whose behavior precipitated this pursuit and then presented it all to the County Executive for his/her approval/consideration. (Oh. I forgot to mention, this exchange occurred during the Blizzard of 2010, just to give the circumstances a little context.)

As an advertising consultant for 13 years with Connection Newspapers, I'm somewhat familiar with advertising campaigns. One of the old adages is, frequency matters; continuing exposure to the same message/promotion eventually wins the day (and the night, too). If consumers see/hear/read something enough times, they start to believe it. Previous to this incident, I had seen the Howard County bumper sticker many times, and had begun to wonder if in fact there was any truth/validity to its claim. Now I know better. This driver proved it.

Kenny Lourie is an Advertising Representative for The Almanac & The Connection Newspapers.

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Greensboro Drive in McLean was issued a summons for Underage Possession of Alcohol and Following Too Closely.

driveway, she struck two parked vehicles. She then parked her vehicle and reentered the house. MPO Shaver interviewed the woman and detected signs of possible impairment. After attempting to administer several field sobriety tests, MPO Shaver arrested a 30-year-old female of Pickett Place in Vienna for Driving While Intoxicated. She was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. There she refused to submit a breath sample for analysis and was formally charged with both offenses.

Beulah Road at Sherwood Drive, N.E. March 28, 11:02 a.m. A citizen reported that a male subject was lying on the ground and might be in need of assistance. MPO Evans investigated and determined that the subject was intoxicated. A 54-year-old male of Ritchie Road in Capitol Heights, Md. was arrested for Drunk in Public and transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center.

100 Block Patrick St., S.E. March 29, 10:17 p.m. A citizen reported that an unknown subject appeared to be passed out inside a legally parked vehicle and may be in need of assistance. Officer Ruddy located the individual and determined that he was intoxicated. A 23-year-old male of Kitchen House Court in Germantown, Md. was arrested for Drunk in Public. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center.

300 Block Cabin Road, S.E. March 30, 12:56 p.m. Sergeant Taylor conducted a traffic stop after observing a vehicle commit a traffic infraction. Upon his interaction with the driver Sergeant Taylor detected the possible presence of suspected marijuana. Sergeant Taylor located the suspected marijuana and various pieces of paraphernalia. A 19-year-old female of Covewood Court in Falls Church was issued summonses for Possession of Marijuana and Disregarding a Stop Sign. She was released after signing the summonses.

Vienna Police Headquarters, 215 Center St., South. March 30, 3:09 p.m. A subject came to Vienna Police Headquarters to turn herself in based upon an outstanding warrant. The warrant was on file from the Fairfax County Police. A 19-year-old female of Campbell Road in Vienna was arrested and transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. There, a warrant charging her with Distribution of a Schedule I Narcotic was executed and she was held on a \$2000 bond.

James Madison Shell, 545 Maple Ave., West. March 30, 10:20 p.m. Officers were summoned to the Shell station for a disorderly male attempting to fight with two other subjects. PFC Simon located the subject and after a brief investigation arrested a 20-year-old male of Glengyle Drive in Vienna for Disorderly Conduct. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and held on a \$250 bond.

Maple Ave. at James Madison Drive, N.W. April 1, 4:28 a.m. Sergeant Smith conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for excessive speed. Upon his interaction with the driver, Sergeant Smith detected the odor of alcoholic beverage about the interior of the vehicle. After completing several field sobriety tests the driver was issued a summons for Reckless Driving and Illegal Alcohol Possession. A 20-year-old male of Charnita Court in Vienna was released after signing the summonses.

ANIMAL CASES

200 Block Maple Ave., West. March 29, 4:18 p.m. A citizen reported that there was an injured hawk sitting on the lawn of a nearby bank. Sergeant Taylor and Officer Myers captured the hawk and transported it to an animal clinic for possible treatment. The hawk was found to be in grave condition and was therefore euthanized by clinic personnel.

100 Block Maple Ave., East. March 30 10:24 a.m. A mixed breed hound dog was found outside of the Vienna Inn. The dog was alone and without its owner. Attempts to contact the dog's owner were met with negative results and it was transported to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter. There it will await retrieval by its owner.

900 Block Cottage St., S.W. March 30, 2:52 p.m. A citizen reported that while he was out walking, a dog had bitten him on his calf. The dog was on a leash and being walked by a young man. The dog and boy fled after the bite. ACO Barker will follow up on this case.

500 Block Center St., S.W. March 31, 10:27 p.m. A homeowner reported that an unknown dog was outside and scratching at his door. The dog was not a resident of the house and had no identification. The black Labrador retriever was transported to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter to await retrieval by its owner.

ASSAULT CASE

200 Block Maple Ave., West. March 30, 7:30 p.m. A woman reported that she had an argument with her former boyfriend. The argument became mildly physical at some point. The male subject was located and interviewed. There appear to be conflicting stories regarding the incident. The warrant obtainment process was explained to both parties.

COMMERCIAL ALARM

Nielsen's Custard, 144 Church St., N.W. March 30, 9:33 p.m. PFC Simon responded to an alarm which was sounding. Upon arrival he discovered an unsecured door and searched the interior of the store. Nothing appeared to be out of place. The owner was notified to respond and secure the store.

CREDIT CARD FRAUDS

100 Block Maple Ave., West. Between March 17-19. A citizen reported that after losing her credit card she found that it had been used fraudulently at area stores within Vienna. This case is still being investigated.

200 Block Park St., N.E. March 25, 12 p.m. A citizen advised that unauthorized charges had been made to a credit card account. This case is still being investigated.

FORGERY

500 Block Tapawingo Road, S.W. Between March 24-29. A citizen reported that an unknown subject had unlawfully used her information to forge and utter checks. This case is still being investigated.

FOUND PROPERTY

200 Block Locust St., S.E. March 28, 1:41 p.m. A citizen reported finding a credit card. The card owner was notified by the issuing agency. The card is being held in storage pending retrieval by its owner.

GRAND LARCENIES

1000 Block Mountfort Court, S.W. Between Nov. 1, 2008-Dec. 5, 2009. A citizen reported that between the listed dates various pieces of jewelry were stolen from the interior of her home. Several workers have had access to the home during those times. This case is still being investigated.

1100 Block Moorefield Creek Road, S.W. Between March 27 at 8 p.m. and March 28 at 8 a.m. Several cell phones, a camera, and a GPS unit were stolen from the interior of an unlocked vehicle during the listed times. This case is still being investigated.

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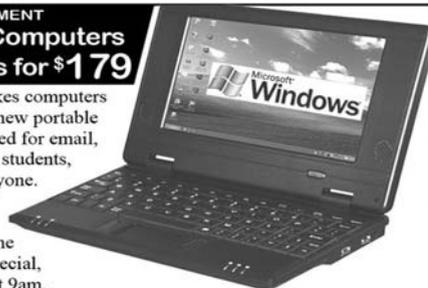
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ALCOHOL VIOLATION

Cottage St. at Cedar Lane, S.E. March 28, 10:43 p.m. MPO Seitz observed a vehicle exiting Southside Park after hours. A subsequent traffic stop revealed that there was alcohol inside the vehicle and that the occupants were under the legal age for possessing it. The vehicle's driver, a 19-year-old female of Bradwater St. in Fairfax, Virginia was issued a summons for Underage Possession of Alcohol. She was released after signing the summonses.

Park St. at Adahi Road, S.E. March 30, 1:59 a.m. Officer Vazquez responded to a two car crash. Upon his interaction with one of the drivers he determined that he had been consuming alcohol. A 19-year-old male of

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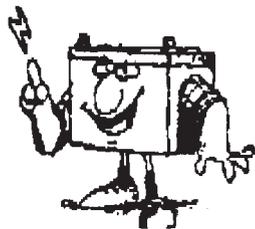
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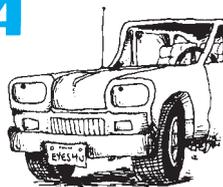
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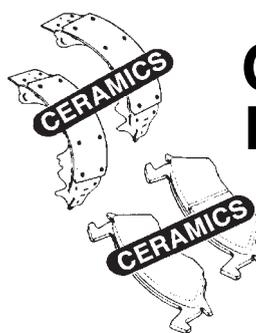
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