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McConnells Mark 65 Years

Former supervisor and husband met in Florida, moved to Virginia in 1961.

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE
THE CONNECTION

Former Supervisor Elaine McConnell (R-Springfield) first met her husband Mac on Easter Sunday 1945 in Jacksonville, Fla. Mac, then a Navy pilot, had been invited to Elaine's parents house for dinner. He had never met Elaine, then 18, but knew her boyfriend, another pilot in Mac's squadron who was also attending the Easter celebration.

"We went separately. When I got to the house, he was already there. He had a car and I didn't," Mac McConnell said.

The couple insists that Mac, then 25, did not steal Elaine from the other pilot. Elaine ended the relationship when the man left Jacksonville abruptly to go home and attend to a family emergency, they said.

Still, the other pilot was taken aback when he returned to Florida and discovered Elaine was already engaged to Mac. The McConnells had only been seeing each other for six weeks when Mac proposed.

"The courtship was well publicized. The commander announced our engagement over the loudspeaker," said Elaine McConnell. "It caused a little bit of a fight in the squadron."

Mac McConnell had been extremely persistent when it came to pursuing Elaine. After meeting her on Easter Sunday, he came to her house or office for 21 days straight. The couple married less than eight months after first laying eyes on each other.

"He kept trying to move the wedding date up, and I kept trying to push it back," Elaine McConnell said.

The relationship that started with a brief courtship has lasted the span of a lifetime. The McConnells, who have lived in Springfield since 1961, celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary Jan. 6.

ELAINE and MAC MCCONNELL play down the significance of making it through 65 years of marriage. They said they didn't make a big deal out of celebrating their anniversary earlier this month.

Besides, they know another couple that attends their church that just celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary, said Elaine McConnell.



Mac and Elaine McConnell celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on Jan. 6.

"Oh yeah, there is that old couple that sits down in front on the right," said Mac McConnell, 90, about the other married couple in a joint interview.

Perhaps the McConnells don't feel the need to boast about the durability of their marriage because of the other accomplishments they racked up over the years.

After leaving the Navy, Mac McConnell worked as federal agent for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives [ATF] tracking down "bootleggers and moonshiners" who illegally produced alcohol in Florida. Elaine McConnell said the work was exciting but also dangerous and unpredictable.

"When he left the house in the morning, I never knew when he was coming home," she said. "I might not see him until 24 hours later and there was no communication. The longest he was away without communication was two weeks. Then, I got a phone call."

Mac McConnell's work also attracted some unwanted attention to the family. One man that Mac was pursuing showed up at the McConnells' house in Florida while Elaine was home alone with their two small children. After that incident, Elaine McConnell carried a gun with her at all times for several years.

But Elaine McConnell also assisted with some of Mac's investigations, which were often based out of the couple's house. At one point, she became friends with a bootlegger's disgruntled wife, who leaked Elaine information about illegal alcohol operations in the area.

"I got involved in cases. It was all very exciting," said Elaine McConnell.

The couple also ended up delivering food to some of the families of the bootleggers Mac McConnell had helped put in jail. Several of the bootleggers were already poor and getting thrown in prison meant their families would have trouble making ends meet.

"We went to give food to one family that lived in a hut with seven children and the children were all dirty as could be," said Elaine McConnell, who said another child showed up on her doorstep with no shoes.

MAC MCCONNELL was eventually transferred to the ATF's Washington operation and moved the family to Northern Virginia in 1961. The McConnells decided to buy a house in Springfield at the suggestion of one of Mac's Navy friends who already lived in the area.

After living in Florida her entire life, Elaine McConnell was rather unhappy about having to move to "the North." She didn't want to leave her large Italian family in Jacksonville.

"I missed them terribly those first couple of years. I was up here all alone," she said.

Still, Mac McConnell rose through the ranks of the ATF and was heavily involved in getting the bureau moved out from under the authority of IRS and set up as its own department. Among other jobs, he headed at one point the ATF team that traced the ownership of firearms used in the commission of federal crimes. When President Gerald Ford was shot, Mac McConnell was instrumental in matching the gun used with its original owner, the couple said.

NORTHERN VIRGINIA was significantly more expensive than Jacksonville, so Elaine McConnell decided to go back to work as a teacher in the early 1960s but was unhappy

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Apartment Complex To Rise On Route 1

BRAC workers fuel residential need.

BY NICHOLAS M. HORROCK
THE CONNECTION

Redbrick Development Group announced last week plans for the first high end apartment rental project along Route 1 in Fairfax in decades, offering 290 apartment units, some renting for \$2,250 a month.

Managing Partner Tom Skinner said that part of the decision to launch the \$68 million project was the movement to South Fairfax of some 13,000 federal workers under the Defense Department's Base Closure and Realignment program.

The BRAC movement is expected to create some 25,000 additional jobs in private industry to support the government agencies.

"BRAC was absolutely part of our thinking. There is going to be big job growth south of the Beltway and this is a very attractive Class A property," Skinner said.

The actual movement of BRAC workers to Fairfax begins on Jan. 14, when the first contingent of employees of the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency (NGA) moves into its new headquarters in Newington. Supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield) warned in his newsletter that some traffic congestion may result as the 400-to-500 employees arrive. By Sept 11, some 8,500 workers will be at NGA in the former Engineering Proving Grounds off of Interstate 95.

The apartment development, to be called the Heights at Groveton, will be built on property that was once the Groveton Elementary School, just south of the Beacon Center, a shopping strip with Giant Food, Marshalls, Lowes, a pet center and a Target store. There are also several drug stores and four chain restaurants. The property has been vacant since 1980, Skinner said. Skinner said construction will begin in the next few weeks, "weather permitting."

The development will have 65 percent one-bedroom units and 35 percent two-bedroom units. There will be a swimming pool, fitness center,

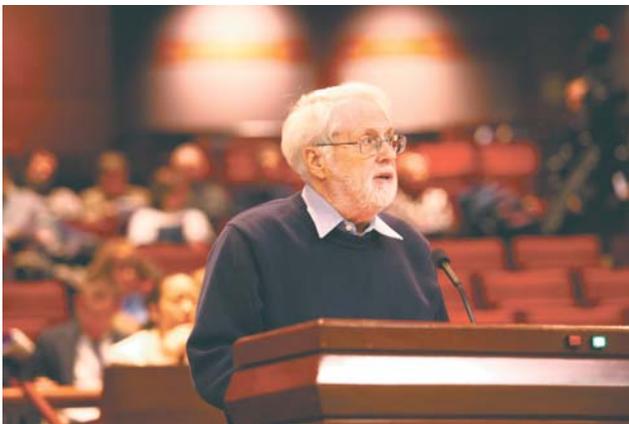
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Del. Charniele Herring (D-46) introduces herself. Seated to her right are Dels. David Bulova (D-37) and Scott Surovell (D-44). To her right are Del. Ken Plum (D-36), Del. Thomas Rust (R-86) and Sen. Mark Herring (D-33).



Rev. Gerald Daiden spoke on behalf of his son, who is a resident of Northern Virginia Training Center. He expressed concern that the state of Virginia is moving to a group home model. He thinks that the state must maintain the training centers for 'seriously retarded, behaviorally challenged' individuals.



Bob Stewart of Chantilly, a member of Social Action Linking Together (SALT), entreats legislators to support TANIF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families).



ARC of Northern Virginia Co-director Nancy Mercer holds 9-year-old Maya Simbulan's statement. Simbulan's sister Myra looks on.



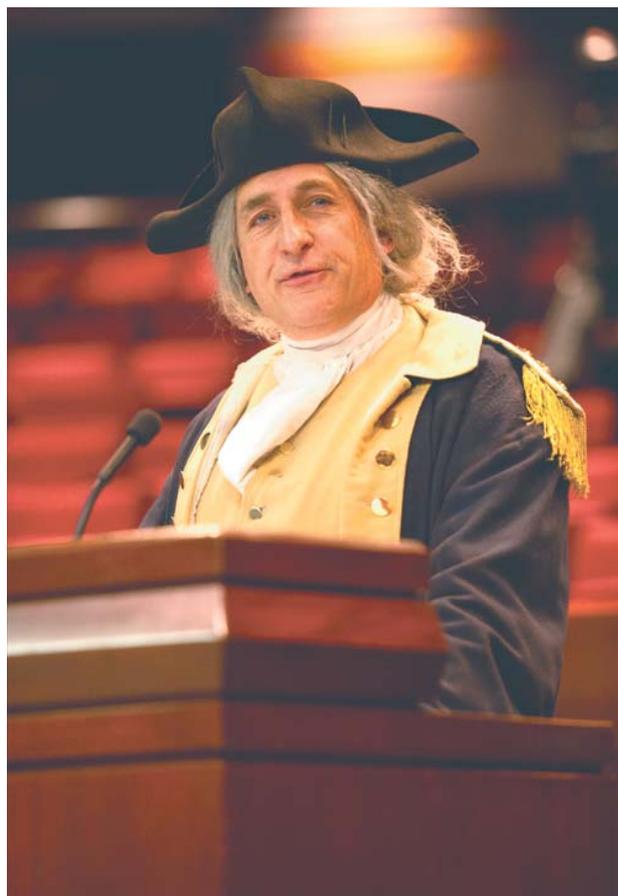
Doris Ray of Falls Church and of the ENDependence Center of Northern Virginia, holds up \$1 to contrast the percentage of funds spent in Virginia on home and community based services versus the \$3 spent on institutional care for individuals with disabilities. She asked legislators to look at those percentages and instead of just cutting the budget for home and community services, to contemplate shifting from an institutional-based bias to one favoring more home and community-based services.

Morning Briefing

Public briefs state legislators on their issues of concern.

On Saturday, Jan. 8, Fairfax County's Delegation to the Virginia General Assembly conducted a public hearing about the upcoming 2011 legislative session. Speakers were allotted 3-minutes to make their comments.

The 'caped-crusader for the Constitution' also showed up to the hearing. James Manship Sr., dressed as Gen. George Washington, got his 3 minutes in front of the Delegation.



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PHOTO BY GEORGE BURKE

Connolly Begins Second Term in Congress

Surrounded by family and friends, U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11) was sworn into a second term of office Wednesday, Jan. 5 by new House Speaker John Boehner (R-Ohio) at a ceremony in the U.S. Capitol. Connolly said he was honored to have the opportunity to serve the citizens of Northern Virginia in the U.S. House of Representatives. Connolly said he was hopeful the 112th Congress could work in a bipartisan fashion to promote economic growth and job creation.

Frank Knickerbocker of Springfield, majoring in university studies in the has finished the new cadet training week with the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets.

class, selected from an applicant pool of almost 7,900 students, is the most diverse to enroll at Colgate. Warren is a graduate of West Springfield High School.

COLLEGE NOTES

Macy Louise Warren of Springfield, daughter of Harry A. Warren and Helga S. Warren, is among the 853 students who entered Colgate University with the class of 2014 in late August. The

Thomas Ruggles of Springfield graduated in May with a bachelor of science from Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, La. He graduated from Robert E Lee High School in Springfield in 2005.

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PEOPLE

Working, Living Side by Side for 65 Years

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with the administration of the first school where she taught. So in 1964, she established Accotink Academy, a private school that is still located in Springfield.

"We only had about \$500 in the bank, so I borrowed money using the house we couldn't sell in Florida to start the school," said Elaine McConnell, who still works full time as the chief executive officer of the school. The private institution, which specializes in teaching children with disabilities, now has two other campuses, including a location in Florida.

Accotink Academy opened with just 40 students, though enrollment swelled to approximately 400 students over a period of just two years. Initially, Elaine McConnell did almost everything at the school, from driving the school bus to teaching classes. Mac would clean the schoolhouse when he got home from work in the evenings.

When Mac McConnell retired from the ATF in the 1970s, he went to work for Accotink Academy full time.

"I have been his boss for many years," Elaine McConnell.

In the 1980s former Fairfax County Chairman Jack Herrity (R-At-large) approached Elaine McConnell about running for county supervisor in the Springfield District.



Mac and Elaine McConnell with their wedding party on Jan. 6, 1946.

Accotink Academy had given her a fair amount of name recognition and Herrity thought she would make a strong candidate.

Elaine McConnell was hesitant, but her family encouraged her to run.

"She has always been a people person," said Mac McConnell.

Elaine won her first race and ended up serving as the Springfield supervisor for 24 years. In the mid-1990s, she was the Re-

publican nominee for Fairfax County chairman during a special election, which she lost to Democrat Kate Hanley.

As Springfield supervisor, Elaine McConnell was one of the original founders of the Virginia Railway Express system. She also oversaw and advocated for the construction of many parts of the Fairfax County Parkway. Elaine McConnell retired from public office in 2003.

OVER THE last 65 years, the couple has had many other, lesser-known ventures. They operated a residential program and school for troubled boys on a farm in the Shenandoah Valley for 11 years. Now, they use that property to raise horses.

Mac McConnell was a technical advisor to a television show about federal investigators during the 1970s. The entire family was transplanted to Hollywood for several weeks while he worked on the set at Universal studios, said the couple.

"We got to go around to the sets of all of the different shows," Elaine McConnell said.

In 1969, Elaine McConnell also operated as the general contractor that oversaw the construction of their house across from West Springfield High School. The couple still lives in that home, which is also next to the original Accotink Academy campus.

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Muslims For Peace, in conjunction with Clifton Presbyterian Church, is sponsoring an interfaith discussion, Saturday, Jan. 15, from 1-4 p.m., at the church (behind Trummer's in the Town of Clifton). The event is titled, "God & Science," and its academic purpose is to examine the compatibility of the belief in God, in light of modern scientific discoveries and advances. Another goal is to promote interfaith discussions and establish and maintain relationships among a variety of religious communities.

To RSVP or for more information, contact Jalal Malik, outreach director, Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Northern Virginia, at 202-670-1588 or amc.nva@gmail.com or Jen Dunfee, associate pastor, Clifton Presbyterian Church, at 703-830-3175 or Jennifer-cliftonpc@vacoxmail.com.

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Skinner said that there will be a shuttle bus 1 mile to Metrorail's Huntington Station.

CALENDAR

Send notes to the Connection at south@connectionnewspapers.com or call 703-778-9416. Deadline is Friday. Dated announcements should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event.

THURSDAY/JAN. 13

Preschool Storytime. 2 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Storytime for age 4-5 with adult. Registration not required; tickets distributed beginning 30 minutes before the event. 703-339-4610.

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FRIDAY/JAN. 14

"Willy Wonka Jr." 7:30 p.m. at the New Hope Church, 8905 Ox Road, Lorton. Northern Virginia Players present Roald Dahl's story of the famous candy maker. \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door. 703-866-3546 or www.nvplayers.com.

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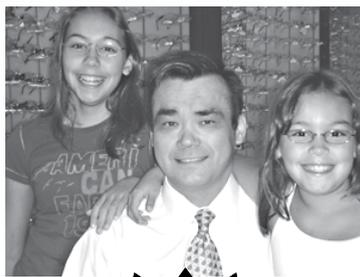


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OPINION

Let Us Know

Reaffirming our mission in the new year.

The Connection's mission is to bring the news you need about your community that you are not likely to get anywhere else — to advocate for community good, to provide a forum for dialogue on local concerns, and to celebrate and record milestones in community and people's lives.

At the Connection, we begin 2011 by looking for more input from our readers.

First, send us photos of you and your pet plus a few sentences for our Pet Connection, which will appear the first week in February. We'd like to have photos by Jan. 20.

Let us know how we're doing, and let us know what is going on in your part of the community.

We invite you to e-mail us letting us know about something you especially liked or didn't like about our coverage, and to write us letters to the editor.

We learn a lot from readers' ideas and questions. If you see something that you think might be a story, or just something you wonder about, give us a call, or drop us a line.

We want to know if you have an idea for fixing traffic in your part of the world. We want to know if you've had a good or bad experience with local government or your schools.

We'd like to hear your ideas about how to make things better. If you know of a person or an organization that is interesting, doing important work, and might make a good feature story, let us know.

This year, almost every state and local elected official is up for reelection, and we will do our best to let you know why this matters and what you need to know in short bites with some longer analysis along the way. If you have questions you'd like us to ask candidates as we go forward, let us know.

We are looking for interesting people to feature in our pages each week. If someone in your family or your community published a book, became an Eagle Scout, raised money for a good cause, accomplished some feat like running a marathon or having art included in an art show, these are all things that we want to know.

The Connection will publish photos and notes of a variety of community events and milestones, including births, engagements, weddings, anniversaries, awards and obituaries.

We are also interested in events at your church, mosque, synagogue, community center, school, etc. E-mail or mail us a photo and a note about the event. Be sure to include the names of all the people who are in a photo, and say when and where the photo was taken.

We also publish notes about news and events in local businesses. Notes about openings, new employees, anniversaries and other accomplishments and events are welcome.

Our calendar of events lets people know about upcoming events. Send the information at least two weeks ahead of the event, and include a photo if possible. Events to be listed in calendars should be free or at nominal cost and open to the public.

In covering the issues, we strive to provide a voice for our readers. We look forward to hearing from you in 2011. We have a new website in the works (our current site has served us well but is best described as an antique) that will open up many more lines of communication. Stay tuned.

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The Connection welcomes views on any public issue. The deadline for all material is noon Friday. Letters must be signed. Include home address and home and business numbers. Letters are routinely edited for libel, grammar, good taste and factual errors. Send to:

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CALENDAR

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famous candy maker. \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door. 703-866-3546 or www.nvplayers.com.

Outerloop Presents: Lakeview CD Release Show and More. 5 p.m. Jaxx Nightclub, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. \$10 advance, \$12 at the door. www.Jaxxroxx.com.

Fairfax Symphony Orchestra. 8 p.m. at the George Mason University Center for the Arts Concert Hall, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. With violinist Chee-Yun and works by Bernstein, Walton and more. Tickets \$25-\$55, available at 888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu.

SUNDAY/JAN. 16

Opening Reception for the Third Annual New Works: Faculty, Students & Staff Exhibition. 2-4 p.m. at the Workhouse Art Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. Original artwork created by The Workhouse Institute's faculty and students. www.WorkhouseArts.org.

Annandale High School Choral Department presents Broadway Desserts. 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. George Mason University Cultural Arts Center, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax, Virginia. Broadway show tunes and desserts. \$8-\$20. 703-916-0232 or pam.odom@verizon.net.

MONDAY/JAN. 17

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TUESDAY/JAN. 18

English Conversation Group. 7 p.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Practice and improve English. Adults. 703-451-8055.

WEDNESDAY/JAN. 19

Paws for Reading. 4:30 p.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Practice reading skills with a trained therapy dog. Age 6-12. Register at 703-249-1520.

Fun for Twos and Threes. 10:30 a.m. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Stories and activities. Age 2-3 with adult. 703-971-0010.

Read with Me. 10:30 a.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Storytime with activities. Age 1-2 with adult. 703-451-8055.

Practice Your English. 10:15 a.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Conversation group for adults learning English. 703-339-4610.

THURSDAY/JAN. 20

Book Discussion Group. 7 p.m. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. "The Hemingses of Monticello" by Annette Gordon-Reed. Discussion will continue at February meeting. Adults. 703-971-0010.

Springfield Writers' Group. 7 p.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Give and receive feedback in a supportive setting. Adults. 703-451-8055.

Lorton Book Club. 7 p.m. Lorton Library, 9520 Richmond Highway, Lorton. "The Way Through the Woods" by Colin Dexter. Adults. 703-339-7385.

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FRIDAY/JAN. 21

"Willy Wonka Jr." 7:30 p.m. at the New Hope Church, 8905 Ox Road, Lorton. Northern Virginia Players present Roald Dahl's story of the famous candy maker. \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door. 703-866-3546 or www.nvplayers.com.

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Perú Negro With Eva Ayllón: "Festejo". 8 p.m. at the George Mason University Center for the Arts Concert Hall, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. A group of more than 30 dancers and musicians performs the rhythms, sounds and movements propagated along Peru's coast by African slaves, joined by singer Eva Ayllón. Tickets \$23-\$46, available at 888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu.

SUNDAY/JAN. 23

Ars Nova Chamber Orchestra. 7:30 p.m. St. John's United Methodist Church, 5312 Backlick Road, Springfield. Devienne's Quartet for Bassoon and Strings, Op. 73, Mozart's Piano Quartet in G Minor, K.478, and Wagner's Siegfried Idyll. Joel Lazar, conductor. arsnovawashington@gmail.com.

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Girls' Hoops Teams Hitting Mid-Season Stride

Bruins inch closer to .500; Spartans, Stallions roll along.

BY RICH SANDERS
THE CONNECTION

The Lake Braddock Secondary girls' basketball team earned a much-needed win this past Monday night when it defeated visiting Lee, 48-29, in a Patriot District contest.

The victory was important for a Bruins' squad that had lost two district road games the week before, a 60-31 setback to Northern Region power West Springfield on Jan. 4, and a 61-40 defeat at the hands of T.C. Williams last Friday night, Jan. 7.

"We rebounded well with the win over Lee," said Lake Braddock coach Leigh Kampman, of the bounce-back win over the Lancers. "Defense has really been the key to our success this season and we got back to that on Monday."

The win over Lee improved Lake Braddock's overall record to 5-7.

The Bruins' prior wins this season have come over visiting W.T. Woodson, 58-54, on Dec. 10; at West Potomac, 41-19, on Dec. 21; versus Stuart, 57-12, on Dec. 28; and against Bethesda-Chevy Chase High (Md.), 40-30, on Dec. 30.

The wins over Stuart and Bethesda both came at the Lady Rebels Winter Classic, which took place at host Fairfax High School.

On Dec. 29, in its second game at the Winter Classic, Lake Braddock lost a close 45-42 affair to the host team Rebels. But the Bruins came back strong with the win over Bethesda to finish 2-1 at the showcase event.

"We lost an intense game to Fairfax, but beat Stuart and Bethesda Chevy Chase," said Kampman. "I think the tournament did



Bill Gibson has his West Springfield girls' basketball team at 11-1 as the Spartans dive into the bulk of their Patriot District schedule.

a lot for us as a team and really helped build our confidence."

Lake Braddock's leading scorer this season is post player Logan Russell, a strong presence on both the offensive and defensive ends of the floor.

"She fights for rebounds and her overall game has really improved over the course of this season," said Kampman, of Russell. "I have a number of other girls step up on different nights, depending on the matchups."

Russell led the Bruins with 11 points in the three-point tournament setback to Fairfax. Caroline Young was Lake Braddock's next leading scorer in that game with eight points. Fairfax, meanwhile, had big games from Liz McNaughton (15 points) and Meredith Mesaris (13 points, 11 rebounds). Kylee Murphree chipped in seven points for the Rebels.

The Bruins led Fairfax 11-5 after one quarter and held a 34-29 lead after three quarters. But Fairfax outscored its opponent by eight points in the final quarter to earn the

comeback win.

In the Bruins' win over non-Northern Region opponent Bethesda, Russell also scored 11 points in that contest to pace her team, while Maggie Collins and Allie Snow contributed eight and six points, respectively. Other scoring for Lake Braddock came from Shelby Sheridan (5 points) and Young (4).

The Bruins, in the win, led 16-9 at the half before putting the game away when it outscored Bethesda 14-2 in the third quarter.

Lake Braddock was scheduled to host South County this Thursday evening (Jan. 13) at 7:30.

South County won its first three girls' basketball games over the post holiday schedule to improve its overall record to 8-4.

The Stallions, coached by Chrissy Kelly, won home contests over Herndon, 39-33, on Jan. 4; Stonewall Jackson, 64-59 in overtime on Jan. 6; and W.T. Woodson, 56-37, on Jan. 7.

In the Patriot District victory over Woodson last Friday night, 6-foot-2 front

"Defense has really been the key to our success this season."

— Lake Braddock coach Leigh Kampman

court player Simone Antwi led the Stallions with 21 points. Also in double figures for the winners were Alex Brown (15 points) and Angela Banks (10).

In the non-Northern Region win over Stonewall Jackson (Manassas) last Thursday, Antwi (20 points), Brown (19) and Banks (15) again led the way, while teammate Summer Peterson contributed six points. The Stallions came back from a 31-23 halftime deficit in the win and ultimately forced overtime, where they outscored Stonewall, 7 to 2, to get the win.

Earlier last week, in the win over region opponent Herndon, Antwi tallied 19 points and Caitlyn McLaughlin had nine. Deborah Headen scored 19 for Herndon, a member of the Concorde District.

South County was scheduled to play Patriot District road games this week at T.C. Williams on Monday, Jan. 10 and at Lake Braddock on Thursday, Jan. 13.

WEST SPRINGFIELD, the defending Northern Region runner-up, improved its record to 11-1 with Patriot District victories in early January over visiting Lake Braddock, 60-31, on Jan. 4; host Lee, 70-42, on Jan. 7; and winless host team West Potomac, 67-17, on Jan. 10.

The Spartans' lone loss this season came to Stonewall Jackson, 52-49, in a holiday tournament on Dec. 29. Pre-New Year wins for coach Bill Gibson's teams have come over Centreville, Westfield, T.C. Williams, Robinson, Chantilly, South County, Gwynn Park (Md.), and South Lakes.

West Springfield will be at home on Thursday night, Jan. 13 of this week against district opponent Annandale.

Local Swim Teams Getting Geared for Postseason

BY RICH SANDERS
THE CONNECTION

The Lee High girls' and boys' swim teams have yet to win a meet this season, but head coach Jeff Firman said the Lancer teams, despite both being 0-4, have gotten better each week throughout the winter schedule.

"There has been a lot of improvement thus far, and I expect that will continue in the next three weeks as we prepare for our [Patriot] District [championships]," said Firman.

The Lancer boys, in their most recent meet, fell to South County, 192-122, on Dec. 18 at the Mount Vernon Recreation Center. Their next meet is scheduled for this Friday night versus W.T. Woodson at Lee District Park.

Lancers showing improvement, Bruins competing at good form.

The Lee boys have received solid seasons from seniors James McKissick and Michael Jordan, sophomore Arturo Galan, and freshmen Adam Murray. On the diving front, seniors Chris Puddy and Tyler Nelson have led the Lancers.

Lee's regular season meets thus far have come against Lake Braddock, West Potomac, Annandale and South County.

For the Lee girls, who last competed on Dec. 18 — a 209-98 setback to South County — strong seasons have come from senior Caroline Gagarin, sophomores Hannah Bates (sophomore) and Claire Reilly (sophomore), and freshman Melissa

Schwartz. The Lancers' top diver on the girls' side has been senior Megan Gleason.

Like the boys, the Lee girls will go up against Woodson on Friday night.

This will be a busy weekend for the Lee swimmers. Along with meeting Woodson on Friday, both the boys' and girls' teams will also take to the water a day later on Saturday for a meet versus West Springfield, also at Lee District.

Both weekend meets are scheduled to begin at 6 p.m.

Lee's final regular season meet on both the boys' and girls' sides is scheduled for next Friday evening, Jan. 21 when the Lanc-

ers meet the T.C. Williams teams at Lee District. The following week thereafter will see the Lancer teams emerge into the postseason portion of their schedule with the district championships set to take place Jan. 28-29 at Lee District.

AT LAKE BRADDOCK SECONDARY both the boys' and girls' swim teams have slowly rounded into form over the course of the season. The Bruin girls, talented but young squad across the roster, were 2-3 going into this week. The girls' team's top point producers at meets have come from its sophomore and junior swimmers.

Such team members as juniors Alyssa McGarry and Alessandro Troncoso and the Parry twins, Jordan and Taylor, along with

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Home Life Style

Elegant and Efficient

Less is more as homeowners seek higher quality in smaller spaces.

BY JOSHUA BAKER

Today's homeowners are much more informed and educated about what they want in a home. Travel, home shows, the internet and a greater focus on the importance of transforming a house into a home, have led homeowners to be very particular about what renovations they do and how they go about them.

No longer are people limited to cookie-cutter plans from a builder selecting little more than the color of the tile or carpets. Instead today's homeowners have embraced the idea of actively participating in determining customized solutions that will best suit their family's needs, wants and lifestyle.

Here are remodeling trends that BOWA Builders predicts for 2011.

2011 Trends

PROJECTS – SMALLER AND BETTER

The trend to smaller, higher quality spaces continues as many local residents discover that what they need is not more space, but better space. Often when talking with clients about possible projects we find that making a home larger is not the answer to their concerns. The problem is the bulk of the existing homes in our area were not designed for the way we live today. Small, compartmented rooms, a kitchen that is meant to be occupied by two or three people at most and formal rooms that separate the



This Great Falls renovation reconfigured existing space to provide a family and entertainment friendly space in the family room and kitchen.

family from each other are no longer the types of spaces families' desire. As a result today's home remodeling projects often focus on reconfiguring, opening up and otherwise improving existing spaces to better suit the way today's families live, play and entertain. Because many BOWA clients lead hectic schedules outside of the home, they continue to trend toward remodeling projects that create highly usable, comfort-

able living spaces in their home. Families want practical and appropriate spaces in their home retreats because they treasure their time there.

KITCHENS – TRANSFORMATION BY DESIGN

Kitchens are the social center of our homes and need to accommodate a

myriad of uses. While sometimes the solution is adding square footage, particularly in homes built 30 or more years ago, frequently the solution lies in re-thinking the layout and improving the connection to surrounding spaces, both interior and exterior. In one BOWA project, the wall separating the formal dining room from the kitchen was removed completely, creating a spacious casual kitchen. The new expanded eating area was a much improved use of the families existing space, and is now consistent with their lifestyle and priorities.



One trend for 2011 is more efficiency, which can include spectacular windows in a major renovation like this one by BOWA, or small steps as a result of an energy audit.



A sophisticated media room renovation in McLean allows for much more than viewing movies.

THEATERS – AS LIVING SPACES Media rooms have become more and more prevalent as families look for ways to incorporate the latest technology into their homes and lives. While these rooms began as home theaters they are evolving to fit many more aspects of family life. No longer is their sole purpose to showcase a movie while the audience sits quietly in the dark in rows of comfortable seating. Incorporating theater seating with lounge seating and counter space provides an opportunity to socialize with friends during the game or gather the family on a weekday evening. After a recent BOWA renovation, the theater is now used each evening as the family relaxes together with their own focus or project.

REPEAT REMODELERS Requirements

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Fairfax County REAL ESTATE

Top Sales

A look at some of the top sales of 2010



2 1147 Chain Bridge Road, McLean



1 1322 Balls Hill Road NE, McLean



3 10350 Elizabeth Street, Great Falls



23 330 Ayr Hill Avenue NE, Vienna



4 6622 Malta Lane, McLean

THE TOP TEN

Address	BR	FB	HB	....	Postal City	....	Sold Price	..	Type	Lot AC	.....	Subdivision	.....	Date Sold
1 1322 BALLS HILL RD NE	7	8	3	.....	MCLEAN	.....	\$10,200,000	..	Detached	2.05	.....	ELMWOOD ESTS	.....	10/28/10
2 1147 CHAIN BRIDGE RD	12	10	1	.....	MC LEAN	.....	\$8,250,000	..	Detached	5.63	.....	LANGLEY FARMS	.....	01/07/10
3 10350 ELIZABETH ST	7	10	3	.....	GREAT FALLS	.....	\$6,500,000	..	Detached	2.71	.....	GOULDMAN ACRES	.....	07/01/10
4 6622 MALTA LN	5	7	1	.....	MCLEAN	.....	\$6,160,000	..	Detached	1.00	.....	LANGLEY FARMS	.....	03/17/10
5 8113 SPRING HILL FARM DR	5	5	1	.....	MCLEAN	.....	\$4,402,132	..	Detached	1.17	.....	SPRING HILL FARM	.....	04/15/10
6 7301 DULANY DR	5	6	2	.....	MCLEAN	.....	\$4,335,000	..	Detached	2.19	.....	ELMWOOD ESTS	.....	08/12/10
7 7681 BALLESTRATE CT	6	6	3	.....	MCLEAN	.....	\$4,000,000	..	Detached	1.03	.....	THE RESERVE	.....	08/03/10
8 1127 LANGLEY LN	7	5	1	.....	MCLEAN	.....	\$3,850,000	..	Detached	0.60	.....	LANGLEY FARMS	.....	05/18/10
9 1532 CROWELL RD	5	5	3	.....	VIENNA	.....	\$3,750,000	..	Detached	2.83	.....	BROWNS MILL ESTATES	.....	11/11/10
10 7029 BENJAMIN ST	5	5	1	MCLEAN	\$3,603,350	..	Detached	1.10	LANGLEY FOREST	06/11/10

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11 9829 SUMMERDAY DR	4	4	1	BURKE	\$1,175,000	..	Detached	0.86	BURKE LAKE MEADOW	08/09/10
12 3408 MEYER WOODS LN	5	4	2	FAIRFAX	\$1,310,000	..	Detached	0.83	THOMPSON ROAD PROPERTY	05/18/10
13 3491 ROSE CREST LN	4	4	1	FAIRFAX	\$1,240,000	..	Detached	0.99	OAK HILL ESTATES	05/27/10
14 11001 SANDY MANOR DR	5	4	1	..	FAIRFAX STATION	..	\$1,685,000	..	Detached	5.01	SANDY RUN FOREST ESTATES	04/28/10
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17 12827 PARAPET WAY	4	5	1	OAK HILL	\$1,350,000	..	Detached	1.20	OAKTON CHASE	07/23/10
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20 11776 STRATFORD HOUSE PL #11043	3	3	0	RESTON	\$1,060,000	..	Penthouse	STRATFORD	01/29/10
21 5253 MONROE DR	6	5	1	SPRINGFIELD	\$1,075,000	..	Detached	0.41	EDSALL ROAD PROPERTY	07/20/10
22 330 AYR HILL AVE NE	6	5	2	VIENNA	\$2,200,000	..	Detached	0.53	VIENNA	07/22/10

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Top 8

Home design and remodeling trends for 2011.

Case Design and Remodeling identified what they believe will be the top eight trends in home design and remodeling for 2011. Based on emerging industry developments and customer requests, the list was compiled by Bill Millholland, executive vice president at Case.

- 1. LED or compact fluorescent (CFL) lighting** – Homeowners are moving away from incandescent fixtures toward more energy-efficient choices such as LED and CFL bulbs.
- 2. High-quality synthetic materials for home exteriors** – Synthetic materials such as Hardie Plank siding and PVC trim pieces mimic the look of natural materials like wood, but are much more durable and better able to withstand climate changes.
- 3. Large format bathroom tiles** – Smaller square tiles are being replaced with tiles measuring 12" x 12" or larger, as well as non-square shapes (12" x 18"), producing flooring and walls that showcase more tile and fewer grout lines.
- 4. Multiple finishes on kitchen cabinetry** – Complementary multiple stains and a mix of painted and stained finishes on cabinetry enables homeowners to escape the look and feel of a "cookie cutter" kitchen where all surfaces match.
- 5. Screened porches** – Homeowners are extending their living areas with screened porches that allow them to enjoy the outdoors throughout the year without the nuisance of insects.
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Elegant and Efficient

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for homes change as the family grows and matures. Often what worked wonderfully when a couple is starting out with small children is no longer the best option as everyone gets older and schedules, hobbies and family dynamics evolve. Many families find that they decide to complete multiple projects during the life of the home. In other cases it just makes sense to phase projects to minimize interruption or spread the costs over time. Year after year, a number of BOWA clients return to us ready to take on the next phase of their home remodeling projects. For one local family, BOWA recently completed its fifth project including a family room expansion, a master suite addition and garage, a guest suite renovation, kids' bath renovations, and an exterior make-over.

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SPORTS

Swimming To Postseason

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sophomores Alex Hunter and Sophia Chase, have had impact seasons for the Lake Braddock girls.

"They're definitely showing the district what they have," said fifth year Bruins head coach Miriam Lynch, of her talented group of underclassmen swimmers. "I'm looking for big things from them next year. They've worked so hard. A lot of our swimmers are [competing] on club teams and in high school."

Troncoso and Chase have both qualified for next month's state meet in the 100-breaststroke event.

Diver Lizzy White, a junior and the defending district girls' champion, is unbeaten and having another superb year.

The Lake Braddock girls' team wins thus far have come over Lee, on Dec. 3 at South Run Recreation Center, and T.C. Williams, on Dec. 17 at Mount Vernon.

The seniors have led the 3-2 Lake Braddock boys' team this season.

"My seniors are the stars on the boys' team," said coach Lynch.

One of the highlights for the boys this season has been the two relay teams, the 200-medley and the 400-free, that have earned state qualification. Both relays are made up of seniors Troy Chewning, John McKenzie, David Maquera and Nicholas Laffosse.

Coach Lynch said her boys' team has been boosted this season with the addition of four former Annandale High swimmers who are now Lake Braddock students due to recent re-structuring changes in school boundaries. Of her boys' team in general, Lynch said, "They're doing quite well and will be strong at districts."

There were plenty of team highlights for both the Lake Braddock boys' and girls' teams at their most recent meet on Jan. 7 versus West Potomac High at South Run. Several Bruins achieved season best times in their events. Those swimmers were the following: Kevin Romero (200 free), Alex Hunter (200 free), Taylor Parry (200 free), Kyle Hannam (200 IM), Jordan Parry (200 IM), Sophie Chase (200 IM), Charlene Lertlumprasert (200 IM), Kelsey Carpenter (100 fly), Colin Grey (100 free), Ben Fields (100 free), Megan Goldsby (100 free), Alexis Larsen (100 free), Caitlyn Creasy (500 free), Elisabeth Clymer (500 free), Ryan Krogel (100 back), Kieran Grealish (100 back), Jessica Goldsby (100 back), Mitchell Lawhorn (100 breaststroke), Paul Karcic (100 breaststroke), Danny Murphy (100 breaststroke), Varun Bhatnagar (100 breaststroke) and Megan Moody (100 breaststroke).

Both the Lake Braddock boys' and girls' teams will compete against South County this Friday evening at South Run. The meet is scheduled to begin at 6:30.

Paul Labazzetta, the former W.T. Woodson High wrestling coach, will be honored during ceremonies at Woodson Wednesday, Jan. 19. The ceremonies will start around 7:30 p.m. in the main gymnasium, prior to the ensuing Woodson varsity-wrestling match versus South County.

In early December 2010, the FCPS School Board adopted a resolution naming the W.T. Woodson High School Wrestling Room in honor of Labazzetta.

Labazzetta was at the helm of the Cavaliers from 1972 through 2004 and coached three individuals who are current head wrestling coaches in the Northern Region. The Hall of Fame coach worked with over 1,000 wrestlers during his time at the helm of the Cavaliers' program.

Allison Jones, a senior member of the Southeastern Louisiana (Ruston, La.) women's volleyball team and a 2007 graduate of Lake Braddock Secondary, capped off a successful women's volleyball season as she was selected to the Louisiana Sports Writers Association (LSWA) 2010 volleyball team, as selected by the sports information directors from across the state.

Jones, an outside hitter from Fairfax Station, was an honorable mention selection on the 24-player squad. She led

Southeastern in kills per set (2.46) and was second for the Lady Lions in points scored (250) and hitting percentage (.188). She had 10 or more kills in 10 matches during the season, including a career-high 19 in a Southland Conference victory over McNeese State. Jones added 18 kills against Nicholls, 15 against South Alabama and 14 at UT Arlington.

WEEK IN SPORTS

Jones, along with her prowess on the volleyball court, excelled in the classroom as well last semester as she earned a 4.0 grade point average and maintained her status on the president's list as she has for her entire four years of college.

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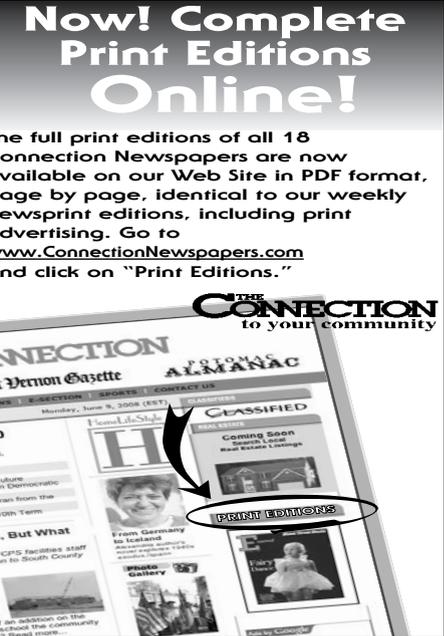
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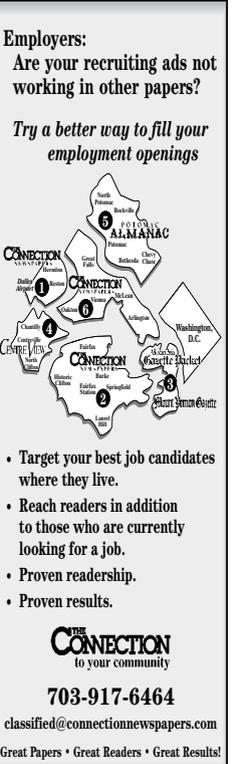
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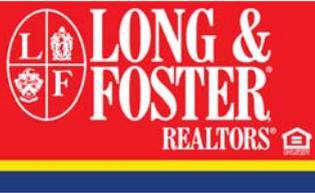
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