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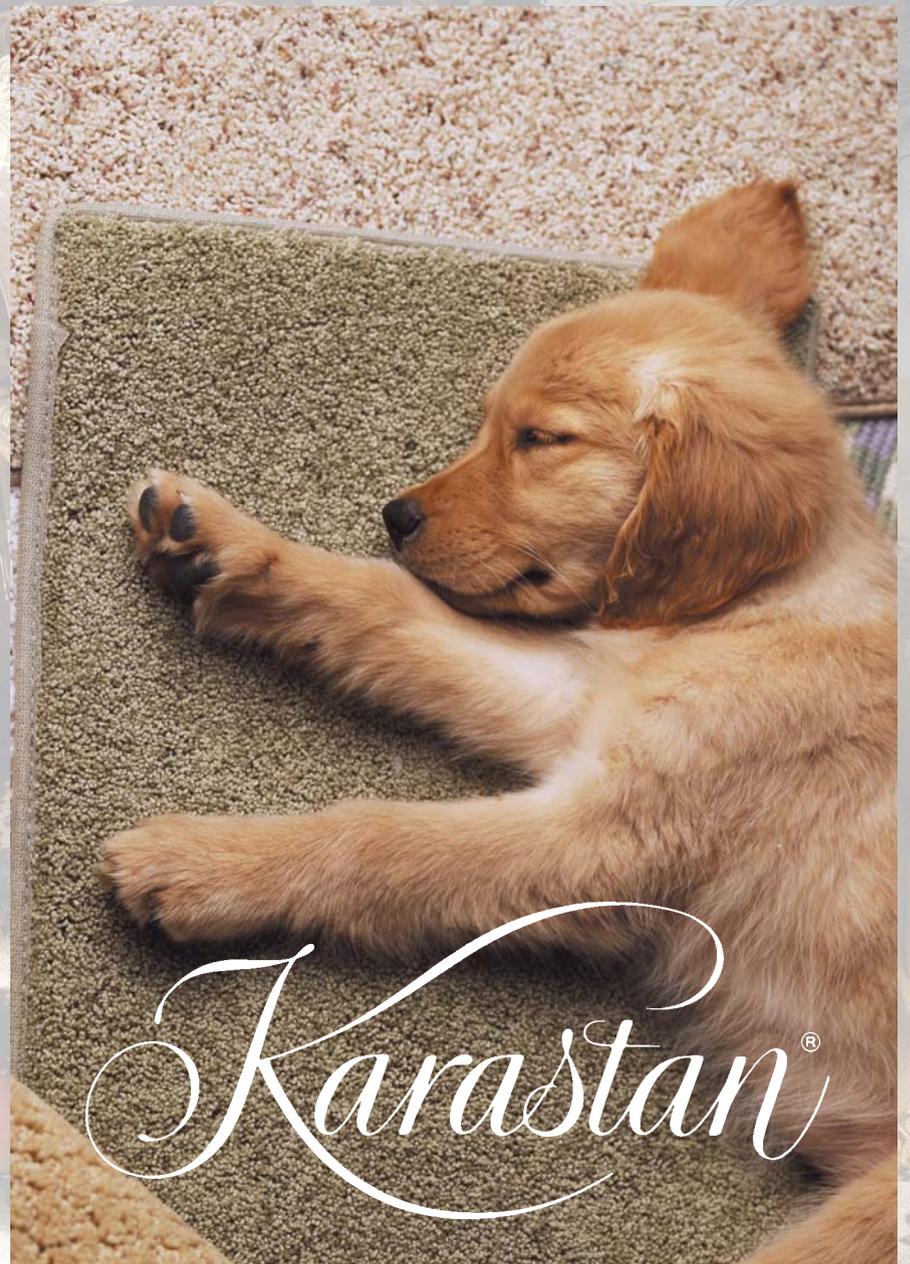


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Vienna Presbyterian Church volunteers on behalf of Haitian orphans Sophia Sellas, doll designer Barbara Denmon, Hannah Gardner, Paige Hallady, Community Coalition for Haiti Board member Wanda Vander Nat, and Leah Morris.

Vienna Church Helps Haiti

Vienna Presbyterian sending volunteers, homemade dolls and hygiene kits to Haitian orphanages.

BY DONNA MANZ
THE CONNECTION

Two Girl Scouts and 16 teens, members of Vienna Presbyterian Church, are partners in a church-supported effort to help Haitian orphans. Five adults from the church will accompany youth ministry students on a nine-day mission to Jacmel, Haiti, under the auspices of the Community Coalition for Haiti, based in Northern Virginia.

Leah Morris and Paige Halladay, eighth-graders at Franklin Middle School in Herndon, put their hands – and hearts – together to create combination hygiene and toy kits for distribution to orphans in Jacmel. The girls are working toward their Girl Scouts Silver award.

“We’re helping kids, and I’m a kid,” said Leah Morris. “If I were a kid in an orphanage, I’d want people to help me.” Leah and Paige agreed that it is a good feeling doing this.

“They’re still trying to recover from the earthquake,” add Paige. “They need help and we can help them.”

Leah and her mom participated in a bible study function at Vienna Presbyterian Church in which families put together hygiene kits. That inspired Leah to get 100 kits to Jacmel’s children.

LEAH AND PAIGE are fundraising for money to buy the individual contents of the packs. They’ve sold lollipops and raised money through donations from

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Vienna Presbyterian Church members, doll designer Barbara Denmon and Community Coalition for Haiti Board member Wanda Vander Nat, at a table displaying homemade dolls, hygiene kits and seed packs that the church is bringing to Jacmel, Haiti, in late June.



PHOTOS BY EMILY BAGDASARIAN/THE CONNECTION

Erin Horil and Amanda Wright encourage people to donate to the ‘Collective Change’ cause. The proceeds clear the books from the ports in Africa in order to reach their final destination: Senegal, West Africa.

Change Does Add Up

BY EMILY BAGDASARIAN
THE CONNECTION

Students attending the “Collective Change” benefit concert Sunday, April 3, didn’t fear alarm clocks jarring them awake the following morning. Fairfax County Public Schools declared that Monday a teacher work day, leaving excuses for not attending at the door. Previously, “Collective Change” hosted a similar venue to raise money for the Haiti relief efforts in March 2010 and successfully pulled off a “Replenish Water” fundraiser last August.

This time seniors Amanda Wright from Oakton High School and Erin Horil from Chantilly High School teamed up, raising donations to send



Ben Webster, from the band Pushups in Pajamas, strums the guitar while performing cover songs and original tracks.

22,000 children’s books to high schools and orphanages across Senegal in West Africa. Amanda specifically chose Senegal to receive the donated books after visiting there during spring break of 2010 with her French

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WEEK IN VIENNA

McElveen to Run for School Board

On Monday, April 4, Ryan McElveen announced his candidacy for an at-large position on the Fairfax County School Board. To participate in the general election on Nov. 8, 2011, McElveen must first receive one of three nominations from the Fairfax County Democratic Committee, for which Committee members vote and to whom he submitted paperwork on Friday, April 1. Six candidates including McElveen submitted materials for endorsement consideration.

A graduate of the University of Virginia and Fairfax County Public Schools, and a resident of Vienna and Hunter Mill District, McElveen has been involved in many causes, including leading movements championing diversity, curriculum internationalization, and academic freedom at the county, university and state level. He currently works in educational programming at the Weatherhead East Asian Institute and serves as a Mandarin Chinese tutor to students in the community. McElveen's work experience spans the public- and private-sectors,

NGOs and academia, and his full biography can be found at www.ryanforschoolboard.com/.

Endorsements by the Fairfax County Democratic Committee will take place on May 24.

Del. Keam Joins 'NewDEAL' Leaders

Del. Mark Keam (D-35) joined Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley, U.S. Senator from Alaska Mark Begich, and Delaware Representative Byron Short in announcing the launch of the "NewDEAL," a new national network committed to highlighting innovative ideas from state and local elected leaders who are pro-growth progressives.

Democrats O'Malley and Begich serve as the group's Honorary Co-Chairs, while Short and Keam are two out of 10 rising Democratic state and local officials from across the country to be selected as the inaugural class of NewDEAL Leaders. NewDEAL, which stands for "Developing Exceptional American Leaders," seeks to promote elected

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PEOPLE

Willcox Honored



Becca Willcox

The Fairfax Chamber Valor Scholarship Fund honored a true humanitarian from the Fairfax County community, Becca Willcox of The Capital Grille, for her outstanding community involvement and volunteerism by presenting the 5th Annual Humanitarian Award during its Annual Reception & Live Auction April 11 at The Westin Tysons Corner.

Willcox, sales and marketing manager of The Capital Grille Tysons Corner, has volunteered for the Valor Scholarship Fund for the past five years. The Valor Scholarship Fund honors Fairfax County first responders from the Police, Sheriff's and Fire & Rescue Departments by providing college scholarships to the children of the community's Medal of Valor recipients. To date, more than \$250,000 in scholarships has been awarded.

"Volunteering for the Valor Scholarship Fund has been a rewarding and humbling experi-

ence," says Willcox. "It is an honor to recognize our community's first responders and provide support to the families of the people that fight day in and day out to protect and serve the community that I have called home for 27 years."

"It is a pleasure and an honor to have someone like Becca so deeply involved in the Valor Scholarship Fund," said Richard Frisch, administrator of the Fund. "The dedication and selflessness she shows by giving her time and energy to honor our community's public safety heroes truly embodies the mission of the Fund. There is not a more deserving recipient of this award."

Willcox's volunteerism extends

beyond the Valor Scholarship Fund. She also dedicates her time to fundraising for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society in honor of her best friend's father, William, who passed away from multiple myeloma. She was recently honored as one of 10 women from the National Capital Area as a candidate for the Society's Woman of The Year Award.

A native of Vienna, Willcox attended James Madison High School and graduated in 2005 from George Mason University with a BA in communication with a focus on public relations. She currently resides in McLean with her boyfriend and miniature bull-dog.

Great Falls Student Receives Projects for Peace Award

Tamer Hassan of Great Falls is one of two students at Colby College in Waterville, Maine, to receive a \$10,000 Davis Projects for Peace grant this year. Hassan will continue work on a documentary film series about communities conducive to a more sustainable and peaceful future.



Tamer Hassan

Philanthropist Kathryn W. Davis launched the Projects for Peace program in 2007 to mark her 100th birthday. Again this year she challenged students to design and implement innovative techniques that focus on conflict resolution, reconciliation, building understanding and breaking down barriers that cause conflict. This summer students from more than 90 campuses will share more than \$1 million in funding for projects in all regions of the world.

According to Hassan, a senior environmental studies major, his objective is "to reveal and inspire ideas for enacting peaceful and resilient community practices into mainstream consciousness through film." Continuing his

work with Armand Tufenkian, a 2010 Colby graduate, Hassan will make three more installments in their documentary film series titled "Finding Community."

Hassan wrote that in making the first two films in the series, set at Twin Oaks Community in Louisa, Va., and Earthaven Ecovillage in Black Mountain, N.C., the filmmakers witnessed the "transformative potential that cooperation and communal support have on our environment, our political and economic systems, and the way in which we treat one another."

The other winner from Colby is junior Sulaiman Nasser, a Davis United World College scholar from Afghanistan. Nasser sees his project, "Empowering Afghan Women Through Embroidery," as a way to help families in Kabul. By providing women with the training, equipment and materials to begin commercial embroidery, Nasser hopes to improve their status and increase the literacy and educational attainment of their children, according to his proposal.



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OPINION

Striving to Tell Community Stories

The Connection Newspapers, including the Alexandria Gazette Packet, the Mount Vernon Gazette and the Centre View, won dozens of news awards for work published in 2010. Awards were announced at the Virginia Press Association annual conference in Norfolk on April 9.

Michael Lee Pope won nine awards writing for the Arlington Connection, the Alexandria Gazette Packet and the Mount Vernon Gazette, including investigative writing, public safety writing, education writing, breaking news writing, business and financial writing, obituary writing, feature writing and headline writing. Pope also reports for WAMU radio and authored a book, "Ghosts of Alexandria," in 2010. Pope's award-winning writing included local police departments' lack of transparency and refusal to share information that is public in almost every other state.

Alex McVeigh garnered awards for public safety writing for his coverage of the burglary spree in Northern Virginia, and for feature writing in the Reston Connection.

Julia O'Donoghue won first place for her coverage of Fairfax County School Board decision-making and communication on redrawing school boundaries and decision to close Clifton Elementary School.

News Awards

- ❖ First place, Michael Lee Pope, Obituary Portfolio, Personal Service Writing, Alexandria Gazette Packet
- ❖ First place, Michael Lee Pope, Feature Series or Continuing Story, Creating a Police Oversight Board, Mount Vernon Gazette
- ❖ First place, Michael Lee Pope, Public Safety Writing: Price of Justice; Seeking Complaints; The Buoy Druggers; Mount Vernon Gazette
- ❖ First place, Bonnie Hobbs, Public Safety Writing: Killing Yields Five Years; Child Molester Sentenced to Prison/Parents of Pedophile's Victims Speak Out; Fireworks Lead to Death, Jail, I Just Wanted Him Held Accountable, Centre View Southern Edition
- ❖ First place, Mary Kimm, Editorial Writing: Tolls and a Transportation Fix; Police Power Demands Transparency; Breast Cancer Awareness; The McLean Connection
- ❖ First place, Julia O'Donoghue, General News Writing, School Board Email Communication, Fairfax Station/Laurel Hill Connection
- ❖ First place, Louise Krafft, Picture Story or Essay, Elementary School Track Meet, Mount Gazette
- ❖ First place, Craig Sterbutzel, Sports News Photo, Spartans Repeat as Region Champions, Springfield Connection

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Board

Dear Chairman Bulova and Members of the Board of Supervisors:

After hearing both School Board and public testimony from the March 29 Budget Hearings, it is evident yours is a difficult job. There are many needs in this county, and our county budget has limitations; there is only so much funding to go around.

Most people living and operating businesses in this county would agree that our school system provides tremendous value. During the past several years, the



Mary Kimm won first place for Editorial Writing in the McLean Connection and Alex McVeigh second place for Public Safety Writing in the McLean Connection and third place for feature writing in the Reston Connection.

Bonnie Hobbs, longtime reporter with the Centre View, won first place for her well known public safety writing, and also for feature series for her compelling coverage of 3-year-old Rachel D'Andrea's struggle with neuroblastoma; Rachel died in January.

Managing editor Mike O'Connell won two awards, one for page design and one for overall newspaper design.

Mary Kimm won two awards for editorial

- ❖ First place, Reed Albers, Sports Writing Portfolio, Springfield Connection
- ❖ Bonnie Hobbs, Feature Series or Continuing Story, Rachel D'Andrea, Centre View Southern Edition, second place
- ❖ LaShawn Avery-Simons, Sports Feature Photo, Inaugural Bridge Half Marathon, Alexandria Gazette Packet, second place
- ❖ Michael Lee Pope, Breaking News Writing, Snowmageddon Grips Alexandria, Crushing, Money Down the Drain; Alexandria Gazette Packet, second place
- ❖ Michael Lee Pope, General News Writing, Controversy Along The Waterfront; Alexandria Gazette Packet, second place
- ❖ Michael Lee Pope, In-depth or Investigative Reporting; Police Transparency Blackout, second place
- ❖ Craig Sterbutzel, Sports News Photo, Celebratory Splash, The Burke Connection, second place
- ❖ Michael Lee Pope, Headline Writing, Arlington Connection, second place
- ❖ Michael O'Connell, Page Design, Springfield Connection, second place
- ❖ Michael Lee Pope, Business and Financial Writing, \$7 Billion Stimulus; Fewer Services, More Taxes; Board Raises Taxes, Arlington Connection, second place

economic downturn has severely impacted the school system as it has businesses and government agencies. We have seen increases in our student enrollment and a tremendous increase of educational needs within our student population. Despite such student growth, the system has worked to reassess certain needs resulting in often times challenging decisions affecting our teachers and those we serve — our students. The school system is leaner. We have implemented fees for sports, re-evaluated and revised programs and eliminated over 1,400 positions in the last several years. The task has been difficult, and we

have cut to the bone.

Therefore, I was quite dismayed to hear a small handful of residents with political agendas testify in front of the Board of Supervisors saying that the school system has millions of dollars in vague line item funds and hidden capital funds from bonds left unused. This is simply not true. Such unsubstantiated comments are disingenuous to a system that works diligently for each and every child and it is terribly misleading and offensive to those parents, teachers and citizens who work collaboratively with the system to assist with program improvements and serve as positive advocates for

writing, including editorials on police power, remembering on Memorial Day, Virginia's challenge to the health care law, transportation, budget and breast cancer.

Our photographers, whose work is so important to community coverage and Connection style, won many awards. Louise Krafft won three awards for picture story and essay, and for her photographic contributions to Alexandria's Talk of the Town page. Craig Sterbutzel won first place for sports news. Deb Cobb won for her epic Day in the Life of Chantilly and her contributions to the Burke Connection. LaShawn Avery-Simons won first place for sports feature.

Jeanne Theismann, who joined the Gazette and Connection staff well into the contest year in 2010, nevertheless won two awards, one for her feature photography and one for headline writing.

Nick Horrock, who covers BRAC and Fairfax County Board of Supervisors after a distinguished national career, will be inducted into the Maryland-Delaware-DC Hall of Fame on April 21, 2011.

Jon Roetman, Ken Moore, Laurence Foong and the staff of the Potomac Almanac won awards in the Maryland-Delaware-DC press association news contest; the specific awards will be announced next week.

- ❖ Mary Kimm, Editorial Writing: Adding Painful Cuts; Cuccinelli Misleads on Costs, Remembering on Memorial Day, Fairfax Connection, second place
- ❖ Alex McVeigh, Public Safety Writing, Series of burglaries hits McLean, McLean Connection, second place
- ❖ Julie Ferrill, Laurence Foong, Louise Krafft, Specialty Pages or Sections, Talk of the Town, Alexandria Gazette Packet
- ❖ Jeanne Theismann, Headline Writing: For Whom the Bell Tolls; Ghost Writer; Plaid Tidings; Love on the Docks; Anchored in Alexandria, Alexandria Gazette Packet, third place
- ❖ Jeanne Theismann and Louise Krafft, Picture Story or Essay, Plaid Tidings; Alexandria Gazette Packet, third place
- ❖ Deb Cobb, Picture Story or Essay, A Day in the Life of Chantilly, Centre View Northern Edition, third place
- ❖ Michael O'Connell, Julia O'Donoghue, Jon Roetman, Rich Sanders, Deb Cobb; General Makeup, Burke Connection, third place
- ❖ Michael Lee Pope, Education Writing: Behind the Cafeteria Wall; Racial Divide; Instruction Versus Administration, Arlington Connection, third place
- ❖ Alex McVeigh, Feature Story Writing, Family, friends reconnect 20 years after teen's death, Reston Connection, third place

public education.

We are a School Board of 12 elected individuals, who similar to the Board of Supervisors make decisions with thoughtful review and analysis. If adequate school funding was available, the expansion of full-day kindergarten would not have been halted, summer school opportunities would not have been terminated, reductions to guidance and career services, high school academies, library media, special education and adapted physical education services would not have taken place, schools would not be waiting years

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

The Adult Choir of **Epiphany United Methodist Church**, 1014 Country Club Drive in Vienna, is presenting an Easter Cantata on Sunday, April 17 at 11 a.m. 703-938-3494 or office@epiphanyumc.com.

Antioch Christian Church, 1860 Beulah Road in Vienna, has announced several events for April. Contact the church at 703-938-6753 or www.antiochdoc.org.

❖ **Palm Sunday: a Celebration of Praise.** April 17 at 11 a.m. Praise the Lord by offering a prayer, giving a testimony, providing special music or doing a religious reading.

❖ **Passover Seder Meal.** Thursday, April 21 at 6:30 p.m. A way for Christians to celebrate common ancestry with Jewish families around the Passover supper. Call to reserve.

❖ **Good Friday Service.** Friday, April 22 at 7:30 p.m. at the church. The day of solitude where Christians reflect upon the death of Jesus.

❖ **Easter Sunrise and Celebration Service.** Sunday, April 24. Easter Sunrise Service at 7 a.m. in the "Groves" next to the Antioch Christian Church. Guitar music, an inspirational message and prayer for one another. Bring Lawn chairs and breakfast food. At 11 a.m. the church will host the "Celebration Easter Service" with special music by the Chancel Choir.

Oakton United Methodist Church, 2951 Chain Bridge Road in Oakton, will offer "The Seven Last Words of Jesus on the Cross" at their April 22 Good Friday Service. Contact 703-938-1234 or www.oaktonumc.org.

❖ **12 p.m. Word 1:** Luke 23:34a with Rev. Beth Neubauer, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Vienna.

❖ **12:25 p.m. Word 2:** Luke 23: 43 with Dr. Edward Bauman, Chaplain, Virginia Hospital Center, Arlington.

❖ **12:50 p.m. Word 3:** John 19: 26 with Rev. Chris Bowman, Oakton Church of the Brethren, Vienna.

❖ **1:15 p.m. Word 4:** Matthew 27: 46 with Dr. James Hoffman, Fairfax Baptist Church, Fairfax.

❖ **1:40 p.m. Word 5:** John 19:28 with Rev. Donna Johnson, Unity of Fairfax, Oakton.

❖ **2:05 p.m. Word 6:** John 19:30 with Rev. Don Hawks, Oakton United Methodist Church.

❖ **2:30 p.m. Word 7:** Luke 23:46 with Rev. Don Hawks, Oakton United Methodist Church.

Faith and Reasoning 101 will be on April 16 at 6 p.m. at Pulcinella Restaurant, 6852 Old Dominion Drive, McLean. The dinner will be \$25, and the topic is "Did Jesus Really Die On The Cross And Come Back to Life 3 Days Later?" Contact Will Gaines at 703-564-9129 or rspv@faithandreason101.com.

Trinity United Methodist Church, 1205 Dolley Madison Blvd. in McLean, has announced their Holy Week schedule. Contact the church at 703-356-3312 or www.umtrinity.org.

❖ **April 17, Palm Sunday.** 8:30 a.m. Casual Worship, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages, 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship and 10:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School.

❖ **April 20, Wednesday Communion.** 12 p.m. in the Chapel.

❖ **April 21, Maundy Thursday.** 7:30 p.m. Celebration with footwashing in the Chapel.

❖ **April 22, Good Friday.** 7:30 p.m. Members of Chesterbook UMC and Charles Wesley UMC with Pastors Kathleen Card and Candace Martin will join us in the Trinity Sanctuary.



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THE COUNTY LINE

Lyme Disease: Epidemic 'Largely Ignored'

Governor's Task Force on Lyme disease hears stories of loss, pain and frustration.

BY VICTORIA ROSS
THE CONNECTION

Tricia Platas, a Springfield mother of four, sat in front of Governor Robert McDonnell's Lyme Disease Task Force on March 24, clenched her hands together, and testified about losing her 9-year-old daughter, Amber Marie, to Lyme disease.

"It was a few months after her ninth birthday when we really knew something was wrong," Platas said. "She woke up one morning in so much pain that she could not walk to the bathroom. This was a little girl who loved to laugh, loved to sing and dance, Amber was the light of our lives."

Platas cried when she told the panel and 120 attendees how desperate she was to make the many doctors she saw with Amber to take her daughter's "mysterious" illness seriously. In her frantic search for a cure, she took Amber to a doctor who strapped the little girl to a bed, and waved foul-smelling oils in her face. "Amber was screaming. I just can't believe anyone would do that," she said.

"I wanted them to treat my little girl right, so I wouldn't always ask the right questions, or demand answers. I feel terrible about that," she said. "You have to push for answers."

Amber Marie Platas died on April 22, 2002, at Children's National Medical Center.

PLATAS WAS ONE of 25 area patients and caregivers who testified about their experiences with Lyme disease at Immanuel Bible Church in Springfield. They shared stories of pain, fear and fatigue with the eight-member panel of health department officials and legislators' representatives. It was the fifth public testimony hearing about the spread of Lyme disease in the Commonwealth.

Led by Michael Farris, chancellor of Patrick Henry College in Purcellville, the task force will propose recommendations to the governor after its final hearing April 25. Farris' wife and seven of his 10 children have been diagnosed with Lyme disease. The task force comprises physicians, wildlife officials, veterinarians and other experts.

According to the Centers for Dis-



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Marjorie Veiga, a Lyme disease patient consultant in Vienna, and mother of a teen daughter diagnosed with Lyme disease, said the biggest myth about Lyme disease is that it is easily diagnosed and treated.

ease Control and Prevention (CDC), 900 new cases of Lyme disease were reported in Virginia in 2009, a number the CDC acknowledges could be ten times higher due to under-reporting and inaccurate diagnostic tests. In Fairfax County, 250 cases were reported last year, according to the Fairfax County Health Department.

"We're here tonight to listen to people's stories, hear their recommendations and advocate for more public awareness and education," Farris said.

A well-known constitutional lawyer, Farris is the founder of the Home School Legal Defense Association (HSDLA) and Patrick Henry College, a Christian liberal arts college that is aimed at home-schooled students.

"Lyme disease is dramatically misdiagnosed, and there is too much denial by doctors that chronic Lyme does not exist," Farris said.

Mikey Pedersen, a 14-year-old Vienna resident, told the panel that his case of Lyme disease went undiagnosed for a year despite seven doctor visits. He said doctors attributed his symptoms to growing pains. The delayed diagnosis allowed Lyme and co-infections to spread throughout his body causing rashes, severe joint pain, and fatigue.

Kristina Sheridan, a Vienna mother of a teenage daughter with



Amber-Marie, who died from complications of Lyme disease in 2002, pictured in 2001 with brothers, Zack, Michael, and Taylor Platas at their home in Springfield. Their mother, Trish, said all three boys have Lyme disease.

Fairfax County Tracks Lyme Disease Cases

For the past 10 years, reported cases of Lyme disease have been on the rise in Fairfax County. In 2009, the number spiked to 260 cases.

"Approximately 250 cases of Lyme disease were reported to the Fairfax County Health Department in 2010," said Dr. Peter Troell, medical epidemiologist with the Fairfax County Health Department (FCHD). "These reported cases represent only a portion of the cases of Lyme disease in our community and are used primarily to follow disease trends. We know that many other cases go undiagnosed and/or unreported."

The good news, Troell said, is that Fairfax County employs a more comprehensive approach than many other areas in the nation, where the focus is solely on how to avoid ticks.

The county's approach includes: tracking human cases, tick surveillance, outreach to health care providers to promote early diagnosis and treatment, deer management and public education.

— VICTORIA ROSS

Lyme disease, told the panel her family spent four years seeing 30 doctors, visiting seven hospitals and receiving more than 15 diagnoses before they found a team of doctors determined to get her daughter well.

She gave the panel a list of specific recommendations for the panel to consider, including spraying the edges of school fields and soccer fields with Permethrin, an insect repellent, to kill ticks as well

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Q&A with Fairfax County Health Department Lyme Disease Specialists

The Connection asked Fairfax County's specialists on Lyme disease to answer a few questions about the disease, how the county tracks cases and what residents can do to protect themselves as tick season begins in the spring.

Following is a "Q&A" with Jorge R. Arias Ph.D., entomologist and Disease Carrying Insects Program (DCIP) supervisor, and Dr. Peter Troell, M.D., M.P.H., medical epidemiologist, both with the Fairfax County Health Department.

If you find a tick on your body, how do you know if it is a deer tick, or black-legged tick, the tick that transmits Lyme disease?

Arias: You cannot identify the species of tick based on size alone. A misconception is that all the small ticks are deer ticks. To identify the species you have to be knowledgeable. The Health Department's DCIP program will identify any tick that is brought in to us.

At what time of year are individuals at the greatest risk of developing Lyme disease?

Troell: Lyme disease cases are identified throughout the year in Fairfax County. However, disease incidence is highest during the early summer months when the number and activity of deer tick nymphs is highest.

What should people do if they suspect they've been bitten by an infected tick?

Troell: Avoiding tick bites is the key to preventing Lyme disease. If an individual notices a tick bite, the tick

should be promptly removed using the proper technique, and the individual should consult their physician for guidance.

Is Lyme disease contagious or communicable?

Troell: The bacteria that cause Lyme disease are spread through the bites of infected ticks. In the Eastern United States, the only tick known to spread Lyme disease is the blacklegged tick (formerly called the "deer tick"). Lyme disease is not spread through person-to-person contact.

Learn More

Because there is so much information available about Lyme disease, the Fairfax County Health Department recommends the following websites for more information on disease prevention, education and awareness.

❖ FCHD Disease Carrying Insects Program: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fightthebite>

❖ May 15, 2010 Fairfax County Lyme disease Town Hall: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/hd/westnile/lyme-townhall.htm>

❖ Removing a tick: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/hd/westnile/tickremoval.htm>

❖ FCHD Tick Identification Services: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/hd/westnile/tick-id.htm>

❖ Lyme Disease Prevention (CDC): http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvbid/lyme/ld_prevent.htm

❖ CDC Lyme Home: <http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvbid/lyme/index.htm>

WEEK IN VIENNA

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officials who support innovative public policies. Delegate Keam and the other NewDEAL leaders are currently featured in video introductions on the NewDEAL's interactive website, www.NewDEALLeaders.org.

Green Expo Presents 'Watt Watchers' Program

The Town of Vienna will host the 3rd Annual Green Expo, sponsored in part by Air Treatment Company,

on Thursday, April 21, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St., S.E. Admission is free.

Presentations and discussions for children and adults from 35 organizations and businesses will include information on energy efficiency, purchasing local organic products, creating green gardens, recycling options and more ideas to save money and help the environment. Don't miss the unveiling of Vienna Watt Watchers, a new program for the energy conscious or curious, at the Green Expo. Vienna Watt Watchers was made possible through a grant from Dominion Virginia Power.

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WEDNESDAY/APRIL 13

Jesse Winchester and Neema. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.
Floral Design Class. 6 p.m. Karin's Florist, 527 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. Create an arrangement to take home. Wine tasting and hors d'oeuvres. \$100 per person. 75% of proceeds benefit The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Team BLOND Ambition and fund research for a cure for blood cancers. 703-242-5668 or marla@karinsflorist.com.

THURSDAY/APRIL 14

Chatham County Line. 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.
Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus. 7 p.m. George Mason University Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Drive, Fairfax. Tickets \$7-\$15. www.ringling.com or 202-683-3238.
"The Shadow Box." 7:30 p.m. James Lee Community Center, 2855 Annandale Road, Fall Church. The Providence Players of Fairfax, directed by Barbara Gertzog. One day in the life of three families, each with a family member living with terminal illness. \$18 adults, \$15 seniors and youth. providenceplayers@cox.net or 703-425-6782.

Down on the Farm. 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Stories and activities. Age 2-3 with adult. 703-293-6227.

Trompe L'oeil Painting Techniques. 7:30 p.m. Vienna Art Center, 115 Pleasant St., N.W., Vienna. Demonstration by artist Jane Cooce, sponsored by the Vienna Arts Society at its membership meeting. Free. 703-319-3971 or www.ViennaArtsSociety.org.

Opening Reception and Gallery Talk. 7-9 p.m. McLean Project for the Arts 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. Drawings, photography and woodcut prints. 703-790-1953 or www.mpaart.org.

FRIDAY/APRIL 15

"The Glass Menagerie" by Tennessee Williams. 8 p.m. 1st Stage Theater, 1524 Spring Hill Road, McLean. \$15-\$25. 703-854-1856 or www.1ststage.com.

Graham Colton at 7 p.m. and **The Board Administration** at 10 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus. 10:30 a.m. and 7:30

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English Conversation Group. 10 a.m. Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. Conversation group for adults learning English. 703-938-0405.

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

SATURDAY/APRIL 16

Easter Bunny and Old Fashioned Easter Egg Roll. 10:30-11:30 a.m. on the grounds of the Freeman House, 131 Church St. N.E., Vienna. Egg hunt, traditional egg rolls, a storyteller and visiting with The Bunny. Free, bring your own baskets. Sponsored by Historic Vienna, Inc. 703-938-5187 or 703-255-6360.

"The Glass Menagerie" by Tennessee Williams. 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. 1st Stage Theater, 1524 Spring Hill Road, McLean. \$15-\$25. 703-854-1856 or www.1ststage.com.

Robbie Schaefer at 7 p.m., and **A Mighty Raucous Evening with John Mark McMillan and Friends and All The Bright Lights** at 10 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus. 11:30 a.m., 3:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. George Mason University Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Drive, Fairfax. Tickets \$7-\$15. www.ringling.com or 202-683-3238.

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Northern Virginia Country Western Dance Association. Luther Jackson Middle School, 3020 Gallows Road, Falls Church. Line dance lesson at 7:30 p.m., couples specialty dance at 8 p.m., open dancing 8:30-11 p.m. Couples and singles welcome. \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. Silent auction, quilt drawing and chili potluck. All proceeds benefit the Fisher House for injured servicemembers. www.nvwcda.org or 703-860-4941.



'Wolf Trap' by Mark Isaacs. The Frame Factory, 212 Dominion Road, N.E. in Vienna, presents a Reception for "Studies of Color" by Mark Isaacs, Saturday, May 14 at 7 p.m. The exhibit will be displayed Monday through Saturday from May 4 - June 1, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. 703-281-2350 or markisaacslandscapes.com.



Adeler Jewelers, in conjunction with the Great Falls Optimist Club, is hosting the 27th annual Children's Spring Festival and Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 17, 2-4:30 p.m. This annual event attracts from 500 to 1,000 children plus their parents. What makes this egg hunt so special is that \$5,000 worth of gemstones have been hidden within the 5,000 Easter eggs filled with candy, so some lucky children will go home with their own gems courtesy of Adeler Jewelers.

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SUNDAY/APRIL 17

"The Glass Menagerie" by Tennessee Williams. 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. 1st Stage Theater, 1524 Spring Hill Road, McLean. \$15-\$25. 703-854-1856 or www.1ststage.com.

Gustaaf Yellowgold's Infinity Sock. 2 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. Pop rock concert and animated storybook for children. jamminjava.com.

"Live Wire." 4 p.m. George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Theater of the First Amendment recreates the look, sound and feel of the classic radio days of the 1930s with "Live Wire," featuring a selection of authentic shows drawn from Mason's extensive Federal Theatre Project archives. Pre-performance discussions, free to ticket holders, begin 45 minutes prior to the performance at the Center for the Arts on the Center's Grand Tier III. Tickets are \$18-\$36 at 888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu.

Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus. 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. George Mason University Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Drive, Fairfax. Tickets \$7-\$15. www.ringling.com or 202-683-3238.

Kina Grannis. 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

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Dairy Day. 1-4 p.m. The Claude Moore Colonial Farm at Turkey Run, 6310 Old Georgetown Pike, McLean. Help the colonial farm family churn butter and cheese. Find out what curds and whey are. \$3 adults, \$2 children and senior citizens. Free parking. Weather permitting. www.1771.org.

MONDAY/APRIL 18

V.I.P. Vienna. 10 a.m. Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. Support group for visually impaired persons. Adults. 703-938-0405.

English Conversation. 10:30 a.m. Oakton Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. English practice for adult non-native speakers. 703-242-4020.

Town Meeting on Seniors' Issues. 1:30 p.m. Great Falls Library conference room, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Issues and special of seniors and their caregivers. A survey will be available for those who are interested in completing it, to be used for future meeting agendas. Beverly.luce@gmail.com.

THURSDAY/APRIL 21

Chapter 227, Vietnam Veterans of America Inc. Meeting. 7:30 p.m. Neighbor's Restaurant, 262D Cedar Lane, Cedar Lane Shopping Center, Vienna. Dr. Thomas J. Berger, Ph.D., will discuss the symptoms and treatment of combat post traumatic stress disorder. Berger is the Executive Director of the Vietnam Veterans of American Veterans Health Council and a member of the Agent

TUESDAY/APRIL 19

Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus. 7 p.m. George Mason University Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Drive, Fairfax. Tickets \$7-\$15. www.ringling.com or 202-683-3238.

Nathan Angelo, Chris Ayer and Chelsea Lee. 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

Tuesday Storytime. 10:30 a.m. Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. Stories, songs, and activities. Age birth-5 with adult. 703-790-8088.

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One-on-One Computer Tutoring. 7 p.m. Oakton Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. Internet, Word and Excel basics. Adults. 703-242-4020.

Author Michael Kerrigan. 7:30 p.m. St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church, 1020 Springvale Road, Great Falls. Book signing and discussion of "Politics with Principle: Ten Characters with Character". 703-759-6959 or gmlanzara@gmail.com.

WEDNESDAY/APRIL 20
Ari Hest and Katie Costello. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus. 7 p.m. George Mason University Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Drive, Fairfax. Tickets \$7-\$15. www.ringling.com or 202-683-3238.

Applause Unlimited Puppets. 4 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Travelin' Jack & Company present classic American folktales. All ages. Register at 703-293-6227.

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

Model Investment Club of Northern Virginia. 7 p.m. Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. Learn more about investing. Adults. 703-790-8088.

One-on-One Computer Tutoring. 3 p.m. Oakton Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. Internet, Word and Excel basics. Adults. 703-242-4020.

WEDNESDAY/APRIL 27
Foster Parent Information Session. 6 p.m. United Methodist Foster Services (UMFS), 6335 Little River Turnpike, Alexandria. Agency representatives will answer questions and explain the requirements to foster or adopt. Free. 703-941-9008 or www.umfs.org.

Vienna-Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce Mixer. TD Bank Vienna, 308 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. Register at 703-281-1333 or www.vtrcc.org.

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Octagon House, a Long-Awaited Dream

Design explores rare 19th century architectural style.

BY JOHN BYRD
THE CONNECTION

Good things come to those who wait sometimes in memorable shapes. It was almost 30 years ago, in fact, that Susan Cooper first got a glimpse of her future dream house and another 20 years before she discussed the vision with someone who could properly interpret it. Cooper contends that the result one of the few octagon houses in the United States – was worth the wait.

“An old boyfriend’s family had an octagon-shaped country house,” Cooper recalls. “I was fascinated with the irregular lines and the creative interior design the shape allows. So smitten, I immediately began to plan an octagon house of my own.”

Cooper indulged in a recurrent labor of love, sketches, floor plans, design details and several scale models. Still, it wasn’t until 1986 that Cooper had a chance to re-

view the project’s feasibilities with a real architect, Joe Burton, principal of JA Burton Architects in Vienna.

Burton was designing commercial interiors for Rucker Realty Group where Cooper was employed. The two shared a love for the Romantic-revival period architecture (1850 to 1910), the octagon house being a favorite, and by the late 1980s, Cooper had commissioned Burton to convert her concepts into working drawings.

The Northern Virginia native even put Burton’s plans out for bid, only to conclude the interviewed builders weren’t right for her special assignment.

Eventually, Cooper hired Burton to build a more conventional house for herself and her husband. But when her husband died a few years ago, Cooper knew it was time to commence work on the long-foretold dream home.

“An octagon house is essentially a radiant pattern — like a spider web — that proceeds from a central core and links eight horizontal beams to eight equidistant vertical shafts,” Burton explains. “This structure, in turn, directs the search for symmetry into a continually compelling convergence of the functional and the decorative.”

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Susan Cooper and Joe Burton in front of Cooper’s Octagon dream in McLean.

EXPERIMENTS with the octagon’s demanding geometry, the style’s pioneer was American architect Orson Fowler, who

authored a seminal work on the topic. Fowler was persuaded that the design greatly improves on traditional shapes by augmenting both natural light availability and outdoor visual continuum. While some Fowler-influenced homes were built in the mid-19th century, the design never enjoyed wide spread popularity; today there are fewer than 500 authentic octagon houses in the country.

“Certainly the shape mainly appeals to owners with a particular sensibility,” Burton said. “When you’re looking to create personalized spaces, this is a fascinating configuration.”

Structurally, Burton designed a 6,400 square-foot three-level home around a belvedere-topped central atrium that features a glass-encased elevator.

“I had the belvedere fabricated off-site, then craned into place,” Burton said.

The main level consists of an entryway with a living room off to the right and the kitchen and informal dining to the left. One can walk through the atrium to the formal dining room, then circle back in either direction. Cooper finds the plan confers each room with privacy while simultaneously encouraging strollers to roam about freely.

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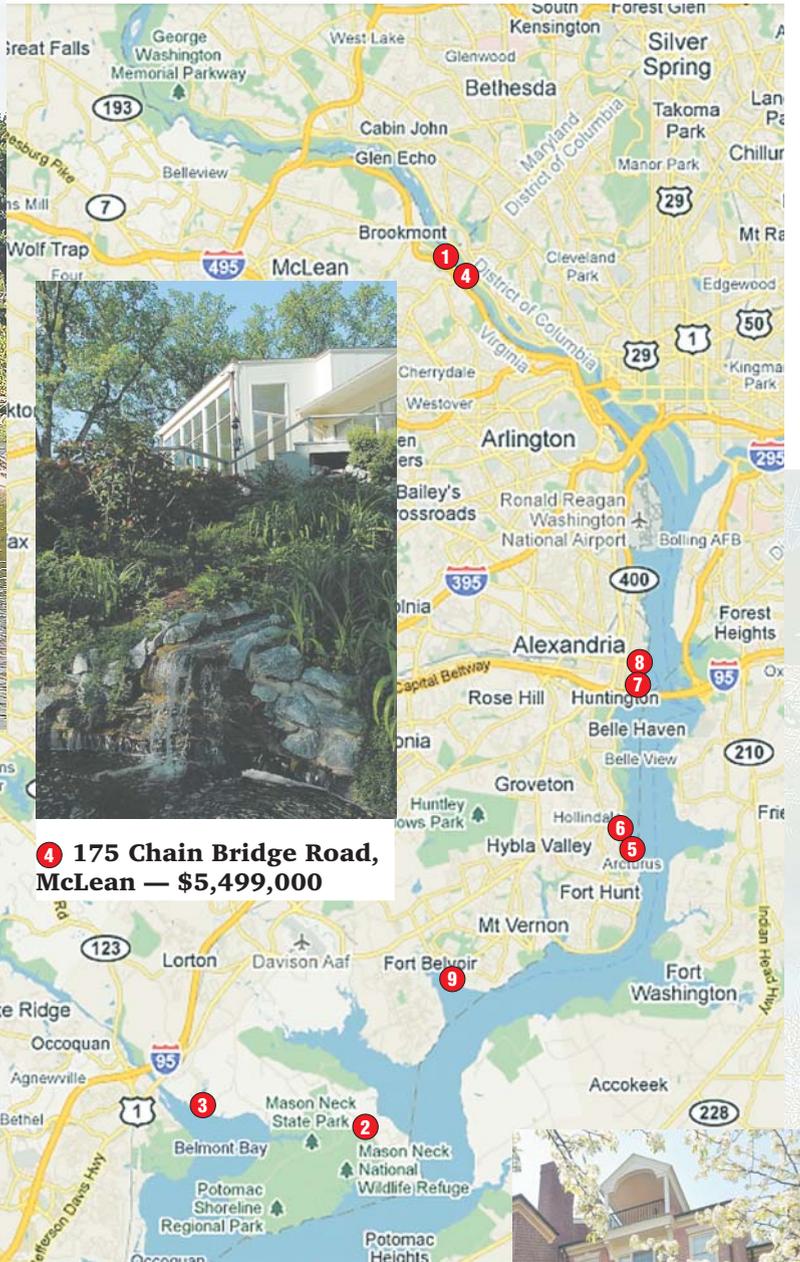
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Home LifeStyle



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Architect Joe Burton designed a 6,400 square-foot three-level home around a belvedere-topped central atrium that features a glass-encased elevator.



Octagon House

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“There cannot be a better plan for entertaining,” Cooper said. “I’ve had up to 60 guests and found I had plenty of space to add tables where needed.”

Cooper selected Mexican Saltillo tiles for the first level flooring. Burton introduced brick-hued variants in a pattern to emulate the home’s web of structural supports.

The second level provides three bedrooms, each with a private bath. The lower level incorporates a spacious family room and an additional guest room.

As one would expect of a Romantic-revival style home, the transition from inside to outside is a critical piece of the architectural statement. A generous

veranda completely circumscribes the home’s main block. A spacious breezeway, crowned with a 16x16-foot skylight, links the house to a two-story outbuilding.

Burton notes that an essential consideration was sighting the structure with an eye towards focal points. On this score, Burton positioned the living room fireplace and built-ins to obstruct a view of the only close neighbor. Other windows present inviting portraits of surrounding woodland, a vista Cooper has begun enhancing with a series of landscaping projects.

Joe Burton periodically holds workshops on residential architecture. Contact 703-321-0021 or jburton@burtonarch.com for information.

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The more laws, the less justice.
 —German proverb

Helping Haitian Orphans

FROM PAGE 3

friends and family. Their hygiene kits, with toiletries and a fun-thing or two, will be brought to Haiti in late June when members of the Vienna Presbyterian Church youth group go on a mission there.

"People ask us, 'why Haiti and not Japan,'" Paige said. "Haiti is a third-world country, a poor country with no money to rebuild like Japan has."

And that's not all the Community Coalition for Haiti group is taking to Haiti, explained Vienna Presbyterian Church's CCH coordinator, Wanda Vander Nat. They'll be bringing seeds to build community gardens to feed the Haitian hungry, vitamins to augment the diets of Haitian children, and treasures for the orphaned boys and girls to hold dear — little brown cloth dolls, colorful knitted teddy bears and Beanie Babies.

Several years ago on an earlier trip to Haiti, Vander Nat observed a heart-wrenching sight, that of a little girl holding a rock as she would a baby doll. Vander Nat was affected by that recollection and last year she turned to Barbara Denmon and her sewing skills. Denmon, a Vienna Presbyterian Church member living in Vienna, designed a pattern for a stuffed cloth doll from a sample doll. She and other church members created doll kits for the church community and last summer, dollmaking's first year, Denmon and other church women sent 100 of the homemade dolls to Haiti with the missionary group. Little girls received the dolls and little boys, teddy bears and Beanie Babies.

When the children received the dolls, they were ecstatic, Denmon said.

"To think that your hands made something that a little Haitian child will hold and love is a very heartwarming experience for our people," Vander Nat said.

Two Vienna-area teens, Sophia Sellars, Oakton High School, and Hannah Gardner, Madison High

School, made the Haiti trip last summer. Friends since they were young children, Sophia and Hannah think alike when it comes to humanitarian service. "The trip last year entirely exceeded my expectations," said Sophia. "It was really inspiring and cool to have such a good connection with the people there. I wanted the chance to do that again."

Hannah agreed with Sophia's assessment, nodding her head as Sophia described the experience. "We went there for the people of Haiti but we ended up getting so much more from them," said Hannah. Getting more back when you give struck a chord with the young women. "I've never seen that more true than in Haiti," Sophia added.

The youth group gave up its technology for the nine days, including their cell phones, and for Hannah and Sophia, that was a respite. They said they did not miss electronics at all.

VOLUNTEER PARTICIPANTS to Jacmel pay their own way. The volunteers take a local bus from Port-au-Prince to Jacmel, a three-hour ride over treacherous, poorly paved roads. In Jacmel, the group will stay in a Community Coalition for Haiti -rented lodge reserved for missionary services. CCH has provided services in Haiti for 20 years. Community Coalition for Haiti's missionary work includes bible schools at which the children there receive a healthy and nutritious lunch. CCH provides a full-time agronomist, a creole Haitian, who will come to Vienna in May for an intensive course in English.

Vander Nat noted that the First Baptist Church of Vienna is active in Community Coalition for Haiti, as well.

"It's [the mission] is a humanity thing," said Hannah. "You help one another, you're kind to one another."

"Anyone is welcome to contribute to our humanitarian effort."



Kilmer Middle Science Olympians have qualified for the three-day National Science Olympiad Tournament to be held May 18-21 at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Science Olympians Need Support

To the Editor:

In only their second year participating in the Science Olympiad Program, Kilmer Middle School in Vienna catapulted itself to the top and won first place at the Virginia state-wide Science Olympiad Tournament held recently at Randolph-Macon College in Ashland, Va., and now they need your help: 15 students from Great Falls, Vienna and McLean have studied countless hours in a wide range of scientific disciplines and events, including Anatomy, Meteorology, Catapult design, Chemistry, Ornithology, Optics and Engineering/construction.

These 15 students now have the honor of representing their home state, the Commonwealth of Virginia, at the next and final phase of Science Olympiad, the prestigious three-day National Science Olympiad Tournament to be held May 18-21 at the University of Wis-

consin-Madison. Providing rigorous, standards-based challenges, the National Science Olympiad is the largest, most prestigious scholastic competition of Science and Technology in America, bringing more than 7,000 students, educators and parents representing 50 states and featuring some of our future's brightest minds. From Robotics to Biology, each of our 15 Kilmer team members will compete in a minimum of three of 23 challenging science and engineering subjects, requiring a tremendous commitment on their part. They have terrific spirit, they have been preparing for months and their diligence is certainly paying off.

Here is where the community can help. These kids need sponsors to help them along. Any gift will help. Travel and hotel costs add up and we estimate that each child will have to spend upwards of \$500 in travel and hotel costs

alone for the Wednesday-Sunday event. These kids recognize their opportunity and are committed to greatness. They are full of energy and enthusiasm and ready to meet this challenge in representing their home state.

By giving to the Kilmer Science Olympiad Fund, you will provide these students with a lifetime opportunity to compete against peers, represent their state and meet Nobel Prize-winning scientists, researchers and mentors.

For more information about Science Olympiad, visit: www.SOINC.org

For information about the Kilmer Team and to donate now, visit the Kilmer Science Olympiad Website at www.kmsso.org

Gabriela Danalache and Samia Noursi
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Kilmer Science Olympiad Team

SCHOOL NOTES

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

Vienna residents **Patrick Roddy** and **Joseph Curley** have been named to the fall 2010 dean's list at the Villanova School of Business of Villanova, Pa.

Matthew Callahan of Vienna has been named to the fall 2010 president's honor roll at the University of Florida. Callahan is a freshman majoring in civil engineering.

Jenna A. King of Oakton has been named to the fall 2010 dean's list at Boston University of Boston, Mass.

Promoting Change

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class. Inspired by the warm and caring citizens, Amanda wanted to "take something away from this experience." Wright and Horil raised over \$5,000 which will clear 22,000 books from the African ports with the assistance of Books for Africa, the world's largest shipper of donated books to the African continent.

But just because this project is over doesn't mean that Wright and Horil's work is. Already Wright is organizing a summer project called "Camp Sunshine" for children with life threatening illnesses. Also, the two said that "Collective Change" will continue while they attend college in the fall by setting up local chapters. Amanda says she "can't imagine the organization ending".

LETTERS

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for needed renovations, central office staffing would not have been reduced and most certainly our teachers pay would not have been frozen.

The Fairfax County Public School System is the 11th largest system in the nation operating 196 schools and centers with 177,000 students projected for fiscal year 2012. The majority of our funding comes from the county and we rely on you, our Board of Supervisors, to ad-

equately fund our school system. As a parent with a child in the system and as a member of the School Board, I am asking you to help us provide adequate compensation for our teachers and equitable educational programs and opportunities for all of our students, including our youngest and perhaps most vulnerable, our kindergarteners.

Elizabeth T. Bradsher
Fairfax County School Board, Springfield District Representative

THE COUNTY LINE

Task Force on Lyme Disease to Hold Final Hearing on April 25

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as West Nile Virus.

"I've no doubt both my kids got bitten by ticks on soccer fields," she said. Sheridan also said parents of children diagnosed with Lyme need to understand the process for Special Education Certification for "other health issues."

"This certification provides families and the school with the flexibility needed to handle the waxing and waning symptoms, the additional days of absence," Sheridan said.

MARJORIE VEIGA, a Lyme disease patient consultant and mother of a teen daughter diagnosed with Lyme disease, who also lives in Vienna, said the biggest

myth about Lyme disease is that it is easily diagnosed and treated.

"It is difficult to diagnose due to the unreliable screening tests, and because of migrating and remitting symptoms," she said.

In the case of Veiga's young daughter, she was told by the pediatrician that her tick bite was a pimple.

"I insisted on a Lyme test, but the results were negative. The doctor did not tell me that tests are inaccurate unless conducted six weeks after a tick bite," she said.

After a year and eight specialists, a doctor friend recommended repeating the test, but using a different lab, Veiga said. This time, the result was positive.

"We started treatment, but the disease has become systemic, re-

sulting in headaches, joint and stomach pain and blurred vision, and extreme fatigue."

"These heartrending cases of misdiagnosis, financial ruin, and social isolation are difficult to hear as we travel throughout Virginia," Farris said. "But it is important to gather first-hand testimonies about the personal impact of long-term illness. One of our most important goals is to allow people to be heard."

"I was so moved by all the stories given at the meeting that night," Platas said in an interview after the three-hour hearing. "It saddens me to see how many people are still being made sick by this horrible little bug."

Supervisor Pat Herry (R-Springfield) attended the hearing,

and has listed Lyme Disease Awareness as one of his priorities.

"We have an epidemic that we're largely ignoring," he said, adding that he hopes the panel considers that one of their recommendations should be to pass legislation similar to that enacted in Connecticut, where doctors are allowed to prescribe extended doses of antibiotics without fear of malpractice lawsuits.

According to "The Connecticut Post," passage of the bill in May 2009, which allows physicians to diagnose chronic Lyme disease, and treat it with long-term antibiotics was one of the "cornerstone moments of Lyme disease politics over the last decade."

Similar bills have been introduced in Rhode Island, Pennsylva-

nia, Massachusetts, New York and Maryland that would compel insurance companies to pay for antibiotic treatment for chronic Lyme disease CLD.

"For Swine Flu, we went on full red-alert, but more people are afflicted with Lyme disease, and it's time we take it seriously," Herry said.

Those who did not attend the hearings, but want to share how they've been affected by the disease may e-mail Farris at lyme@phc.edu. The final Task Force hearing will be Monday, April 25, from noon to 3:30 p.m. in the Board of Supervisor's Auditorium at the Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway.

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The Family Foyer: Essential Space

BY JOSH BAKER
FOUNDER, BOWA

The front entryway. The mud room. The all purpose room for shoes, backpacks, mail, mobile phones, keys and gym equipment.

Whatever your name for it, this space is essential for every homeowner. At BOWA, we call this important room the "Family Foyer" as it often includes spaces to help organize the way today's modern family lives. Here are four tips to help your family optimize (or create) a useful Family Foyer.

1.) Transforming a Space into a Family Foyer:

If there is no space currently allocated as a Family Foyer, the first step is to understand what the space is currently being used for and if those functions

can be moved elsewhere or incorporated into the new family foyer space. For example, at BOWA, we are seeing more people repurpose their back halls and laundry spaces into family foyers. Many families are doing home renovations to move their laundry facilities to the upper level since that is where the majority of laundry is generated.

2.) Protect from Wear and Tear: The family foyer is the first line of defense from the outdoors—meaning it sees a lot of traffic, dirt and other debris. To protect floors from wear and tear, utilize tile or stone flooring. These materials are much easier to clean and protect than carpet or wood flooring. Stone materials used to create adjacent patios or walks can be incorporated to create a cohesive flow between the indoor and outdoor spaces. For walls, we recommend a quality grade of paint with a



Josh Baker



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This family entrance in Great Falls features custom bench and cubbies

more durable finish like eggshell or satin, which makes clean up easier. For aesthetic reasons, we also see a lot of wainscoting used in family foyer renovations. This material also has the added benefit of being a more durable surface to protect walls from the scuffing of kids' backpacks and the dog's scratching.

3.) A Space for Everything: From a space for mail organization, to mobile phone charging stations, to shelves for storing children's backpacks and shoes. We have also seen dog showers and storage for Fido's leash, toys and food. In some cases the family foyer blends into the home more seamlessly by remodeling areas for crafts or laundry centers (if that doesn't get moved upstairs). There are a lot of tools out there to help economize and tuck storage into every spare space. Small space storage organizers used to be seen only in the design of boats and RVs but are now being used to

help fit a lot of function into residential small spaces. At BOWA, we particularly see this in our condo remodeling and row house projects, where space is often at a premium.

4.) Provide Personalized Spaces: If you provide it, maybe they'll use it? Consider designating individualized spaces for family members to help ensure their personal items are actually put away. For children, consider creating individual lockers or cubbies with their names on them and designed to meet the needs of the particular child. For example, the ballerina needs space for her dance bag while the budding baseball player might need a taller cubby for his bat bag and cleats. For smaller spaces, you can still provide children opportunities to customize. That may mean a different color or decal on their cubbies, or adjustable hooks for the youngest child to be able to hang his or her coat without assistance.

78th Anniversary Historic Garden Tour

The Garden Club of Fairfax will host five homes on the 2011 tour in Arlington and McLean on Tuesday, April 19.

Featured homes include a cross between a ranch and a "Cape Cod on steroids," designed and constructed by Marvin T. Broyhill for his son, Joel Thomas Broyhill; a modified Craftsman house by BOWA Builders; a brick cottage-rambler, a Tudor Revival Arts and Craft remodeled 1938 home and a French Country home.

This year's co-chairs Sandra Hunt and Cheryl Freeman of Vienna are working up last minute details on the docent's notes and coordinating the multiple committee assignments.

The Fairfax Tour will be held on Tuesday, April 19, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets are \$20 prior to the tour and \$25 day of tour; they may be purchased online at www.VAgardenweek.org or locally at participating retailers: Anita Perlut Interiors in Oakton, Burke Florists in the University

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On the day of the tour, tickets may be purchased at the Memorial Baptist Church and at any of the properties open for the tour.

Garden Week in Virginia hosted by the Garden Club of Virginia, the oldest and largest statewide tour in the country. This year 36 tours feature 250 homes, gardens, and historic landmarks during the week of April 16-23.

At the Ceckowski-Christie home, a trans-



formation of the grounds got underway six years ago. And now it boasts an Edgeworth's chrsantha, a Pyrus communis Moonglow – Pear, a Mexican buckeye, a Continus grace Smoke tree, a Parsley-leaf Hawthorn, Chinese Fringe, a Japanese Snowbell and Cusa dogwoods, Cornell dogwoods, and a walking stick tree.

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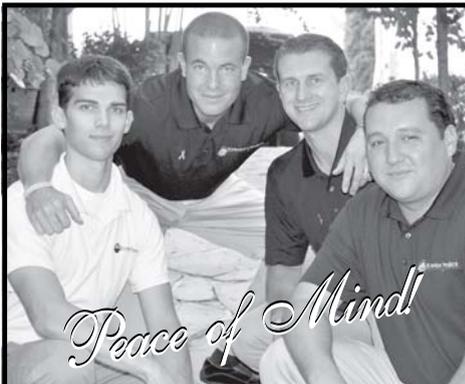
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BY RICH SANDERS
THE CONNECTION

Dealing with poor springtime weather is a yearly ordeal high school sports teams have got to deal with and properly navigate in order to get the most out of their seasons. The cranky spring seasons in Northern Virginia often consist of cold, blistery weather and lots of rain. Such elements are not conducive to outdoor sports and create havoc with the re-scheduling of games, difficult field conditions and team continuity. Usually, the poor weather is worse over the first six weeks of the spring season, a carryover from the winter, before turning for the better over the final six weeks or so of the school year.

"It seems as if weather has always been an issue during baseball season," said second year Herndon High baseball coach Greg Miller, a former player for the Hornets as well. "Dealing with the rain is never fun. I always tell our team that we need to control what we are capable of controlling and the weather isn't one of those things."

Miller and his Herndon team, which carried an impressive 5-1 record going into this week, have a nice backup plan in the event that bad weather hinders practices.

"We are very fortunate that one of our assistants owns an indoor facility, Diamond Sports Training in Sterling, and we are able to go there and workout when our field is not playable," he said. "It is a beautiful facility and we are able to get most of our normal work in there. So far our team hasn't given any indication that the weather is going to affect the way

we play."

IT IS PRETTY MUCH expected that several games during the spring will be hindered by poor weather, resulting in temporary stoppage of play during a game or postponement. Early season non-district games are often not re-scheduled. District games usually are re-scheduled.

"We have been fortunate so far, in that we have only postponed one game due to weather," said Maurice Tawil, the McLean High girls' softball coach.

Last Saturday, the Highlanders spent most of the day preparing their field for a 2 p.m. afternoon game versus private school opponent Bishop O'Connell. Late week rain had swamped the diamond with water. But all the hard work Saturday morning and on into the early afternoon paid off as the field was made playable. McLean, the defending state public school champions, went on to defeat the perennial powerhouse Knights to improve their record to 6-0.

"We worked on our field for seven hours, to make the field playable for our game with O'Connell," said Tawil. "We obviously wanted to play."

Longtime athletic personnel in the Northern Region, such as Tim Gordon, the Fairfax High director of student activities, goes into the spring season expecting poor weather to cause havoc. This spring has been relatively easy in comparison to some spring seasons.

"I think I have been doing this so long as either a DSA (director of student activities) or a baseball coach, that I get used to it," said Gordon, the former head baseball coach at Chantilly High. "Honestly,

I have memories of a lot worse times, like last year's blizzards and springs where we had to just cancel the second half of the season."

The relatively recent addition of turf playing fields on high school athletic campuses throughout Fairfax County has made it easier to combat rainy conditions. Many of the football stadiums use turf, meaning springtime girls' and boys' soccer and lacrosse games can often take place even when it is raining, as long as lightening, sleet, or high winds are not prevalent. The turf fields, which do not get ripped to shreds like grass fields, drain splendidly, allowing conditions to remain playable for longer.

"Turf fields have certainly made a difference for lax and soccer," said Gordon.

John Schneeberger, the Madison softball coach who led the Warhawks to both the Liberty District and Northern Region titles last year, said dealing with poor weather is simply a part of the spring sports equation.

"Rain is just a part of spring sports and impact softball and baseball the most," he said. "At Madison we plan for it and do what we can to play. The school is very supportive to make sure we have the resources available to get the field ready."

SOME OF THE LOCAL teams thrive playing in rainy, sloppy conditions.

In soccer and lacrosse, playing games in wet field conditions has been a common theme for years at the pro, college, and high school levels.

"Our team has an interesting twist on the bad weather," said Craig Lunde, the South Lakes High boys' lacrosse coach. "We love it."

Lunde, whose Seahawks last year qualified for the region playoffs for the first time in the

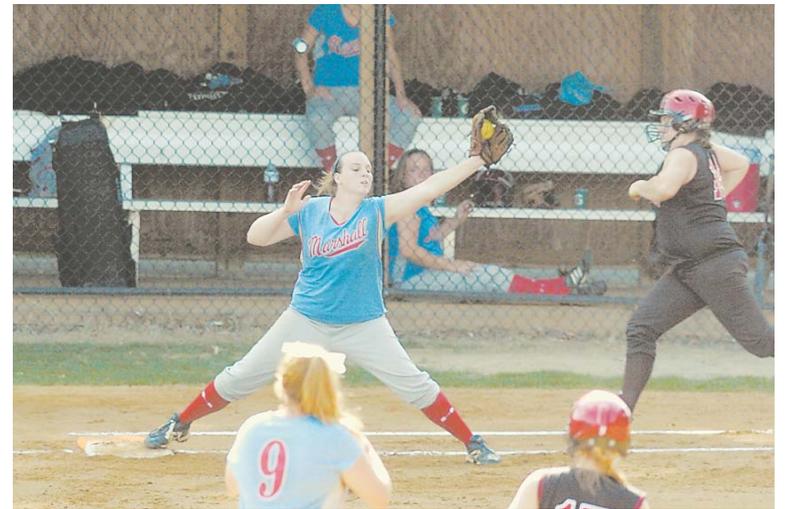


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Herndon's Matt Smith swings at a pitch during last Saturday's Concorde District make-up baseball game between the Hornets and host team Centreville squad. The game, dedicated to local military personnel, was originally scheduled to take place the night before. But poor field conditions due to recent rains resulted in the postponement. Herndon won Saturday's make-up, 6-3.

program's history, recalled a 2010 spring game in which South Lakes thrived as rain intensified.

"Last year we played our best lacrosse quarter in the rain," he said. "We were down 4-2 at half-time. In the third quarter the rain got worse and the guys ran off nine straight goals to seal the victory."

During a pre-game talk to his players prior to their Liberty District opener against Stone Bridge on March 17, Lunde encouraged his team to embrace the poor playing conditions they had been practicing in all that week leading up to the game.

Sometimes, teams are grateful when a game is postponed. Lunde said his team was preparing to play without several key players in a March 31 district game at McLean. Three of his team members were scheduled to make a school band trip to Orlando and another player was under the weather. It turned out that the game was postponed due to poor weather. In the make-up game played on April 4, the Seahawks were at full strength again and defeated the Highlanders 13-6.

The Langley High girls' lacrosse team has had one game shortened - a 10-4 Liberty District home win over Marshall - due to worsening

weather conditions, and another - a scheduled district home game last Friday night versus Jefferson - that was not started because of poor conditions.

While just two of Langley's games have been affected by poor weather, numerous practices have been changed up.

"We haven't had use of our fields about nine times this year," said Langley coach Richard DeSomma, who led the Saxons to their first ever state playoff appearance last year. "We are used to adjusting for that."

In the event that the Saxons cannot practice on their field, DeSomma said there are other options - the Saxons can practice in the gym, on the outdoor basketball court, or even on the outdoor track. And there is always the option of a chalk talk session inside.

"The girls aren't affected in any way," said DeSomma. "They and coaches are used to making adjustments. Any coach or player involved in a spring sport for any length of time knows what to expect - that it's not really warmer until the end of the season and that fall [season] sports are warmer for a longer period than spring sports."

SPORTS ROUNDUP

In the first day of the Madison Spring Break Girls' Softball Tournament on April 9, tournament host Madison High School tallied 18 hits against the visiting Lake Braddock Bruins while pushing across 17 runs in a five-run game shortened by the tournament's slaughter rule.

Madison leadoff batter, senior catcher EmJ Fogel, got things started in the first inning by blasting a home run over the right centerfield fence to start the Madison scoring. Fogel went 4-for-4 with four RBIs at the plate, including a single, two doubles and a walk. Freshman third

baseman Mary Bolinger also had a big day at the plate, going 3-for-4 with a single, double, and her first high school grand slam over the left field fence in the third inning. Bolinger drove in seven runs on the day. Freshman, Kristyn Buscemi was 3-for-4 with two RBIs. Senior center fielder Michelle Mittel, sophomore left fielder Brittany Powers, and senior pitcher Sam Brady each contributed two hits. Erica Daul, a senior right fielder, and freshmen second baseman Tori Lipnicky also contributed hits. Lipnicky, Powers, and Daul also added an RBI. Sam Brady pitched another good game, scatter-

ing five hits, striking out six and walking only one.

The Madison Lady Warhawks, in recent high school lacrosse action, defeated the Fairfax High Rebels, 20-2, in a Liberty District contest played in Vienna on April 7. The win improved the Warhawks' record to 5-0 on the spring season. A few days earlier, in a non-Northern Region outing, Madison, playing at home, beat the Battlefield Bobcats, 17-4.

The Madison High boys' tennis

team, on Wednesday, April 6, defeated Liberty District opponent Marshall, 9-0, in the team competition held at Jefferson District Park, the home playing site for the Statesmen.

Singles winners for Madison were: Dan Sablik, Ho Joon Choi, John Adam, John Nothaft, Matt Bosco, and Will Lowther. The Warhawks' doubles winners were: Sablik and Adam at No. 1; Choi and Nothaft at No. 2; and Ben Ostapovicz and Grayson Smith at No. 3.

Madison improved its record to 4-2 on the season while Marshall fell to 1-5.