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Alice Mascette's home at Beulah and Creek Crossing is designated as a historic home by the Town of Vienna. The house has an official marker.

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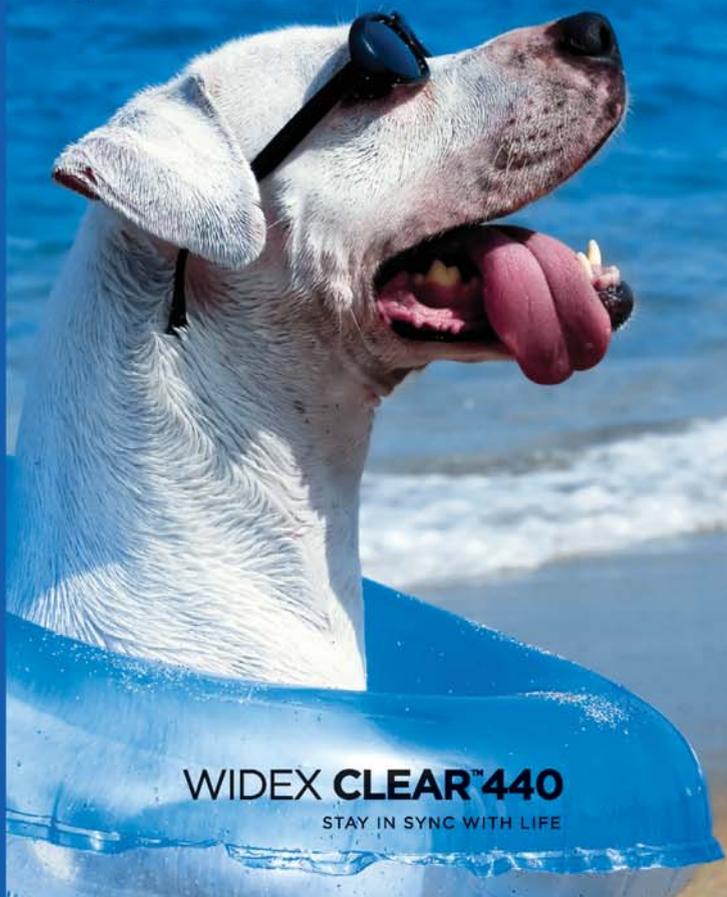
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## Historic Home Comes to Market

Maple Shade, C. 1890, is for sale.

BY DONNA MANZ  
THE CONNECTION

**L**ike many historic homes in the Vienna area, “Maple Shade” has a colorful history. And it’s not of ten that history comes on the market.

“It was my dream house,” said Alice Mascette, who bought the house in 1999. “I’ve always loved historical things and historical homes.” Mascette’s mother was an “antiquer,” and Mascette grew up with affection for inherited pieces. A former army cardiologist now at NIH, Mascette drew inspiration from her two-year stint in Williamsburg, as well.

Sitting on a corner of Beulah and Creek Crossing roads, the circa 1890 farmhouse is updated with top-of-the-line appliances and has been meticulously maintained. Nooks and crannies, a traditional old-fashioned attic and basement, and original heart-pine flooring retains the character of turn-of-the-century houses even as it embraces contemporary amenities.

**CORRESPONDENCE** from Mrs. Edgar [Lilly] Wrigley, who lived at Maple Shade as a youngster in the early 1900s, to a Mr. and Mrs. Macauley in 1985 shed some light on the history of the house. It was built on 9 acres by a Asa Dyer, whose younger brother was mailman to Lilly Wrigley’s family. Lilly Wrigley does not identify her parents by name. What is known, however, is that her grandfather bought 600 acres “at



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**The historic home for sale at 403 Creek Crossing Road, N.E., has its original heart-pine flooring.**

a place called Hunter’s Mill.” There, Wrigley’s grandfather operated a gristmill, a general store and a sawmill. It was from that sawmill that Dyer bought the lumber used to make the beams and frame for his house. Wrigley’s family was “pleased” to learn that wood to build their home came from Wrigley’s grandfather’s sawmill.

Wrigley’s family had a mule named Ginny, who lived in the backyard. A smart and friendly animal, Ginny would stomp on the cistern when she wanted water and would greet the family with a hee-haw when the family returned from an outing.

**OVER THE YEARS**, the original 9-acre lot was divided into smaller ones. Maple Shade is almost 16,000 square feet with brick terraces and a gardening shed. It has three upstairs bedrooms and one on the main floor with its own bathroom.

The kitchen is a cook’s dream. It has a five-burner Dacor stove, a Bosch dishwasher and a wood-paneled Subzero refrigerator. Additional amenities expand the role of the kitchen, too. Along the wall fronting Beulah Road, below the granite countertop is a pull-out ironing board in a kitchen drawer ‘It’s

**“It was my dream house. I’ve always loved historical things and historical homes.”**

— Alice Mascette

nice to have it in the midst of activity in the kitchen,” said Mascette. “It’s very handy.” There’s a built-in desk and a large separate work sink near the back door and lots of other specialized pullouts.

The three-sided sitting room, actually a bedroom, looks over crepe myrtle trees. Mascette said she used to “live in that room.”

The master bedroom looks out over dogwood trees. “I loved my bedroom because the windows are extra-long,” Mascette said. “It’s such a private setting.”

When Mascette married two years ago, she became a stepmother to two children. The house that Mascette loves so much wasn’t as “modern” as her new family wanted. Her husband, Mascette said, is the more the “glass” house type. Maple Shade went on the market in June. The farmhouse-styled home, set among mature trees and bushes, is listed at \$699,900, and is a short walk to Maple Avenue shopping. Creed, who advertised the property on the National Trust website, and Mascette know that this house will appeal to a certain kind of buyer,

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## Civil War Documentary Crew Visits W&OD Trail

Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority creates Civil War documentary.

BY SAMRA KHAWAJA  
THE CONNECTION

**M**arking the 150th anniversary of the American Civil War, a team consisting of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority visited the Washington & Old Dominion Trail in Vienna on Wednesday, Aug. 3, to film a documentary on the Civil War events that took place in the regional parks.

The Fairfax Government Channel 16 is producing the project, which started about 8 months ago. Channel 16 plans to show the film as well.

Vienna and Herndon stations along the W&OD trail, Upton Hill, Bull Run, Mount Zion, Aldie Mill and Ball’s Bluff Battlefield are the locations featured in the 30-minute documentary expected to release this fall.

“We are so fortunate to live in an area

that is rich with history,” said NVRPA Executive Director Paul Gilbert. “From the colonial period, the Civil War and many other times.”

Narrating the documentary is broadcast journalist Roger Mudd who has hosted for the History Channel in the past and has a deep interest in history.

“Mr. Mudd has been very involved in helping to take the research and forming it into a product that works in a video,” said Gilbert.

“This documentary will give people some insights into the important and sometimes little known history from the Civil War that took place in near by parks,” he said.

Together the partnership between Fairfax County and NVRPA are funding the endeavor to mark the 150th anniversary.

The team hopes the final product will be shown on other local government stations as well as public television.

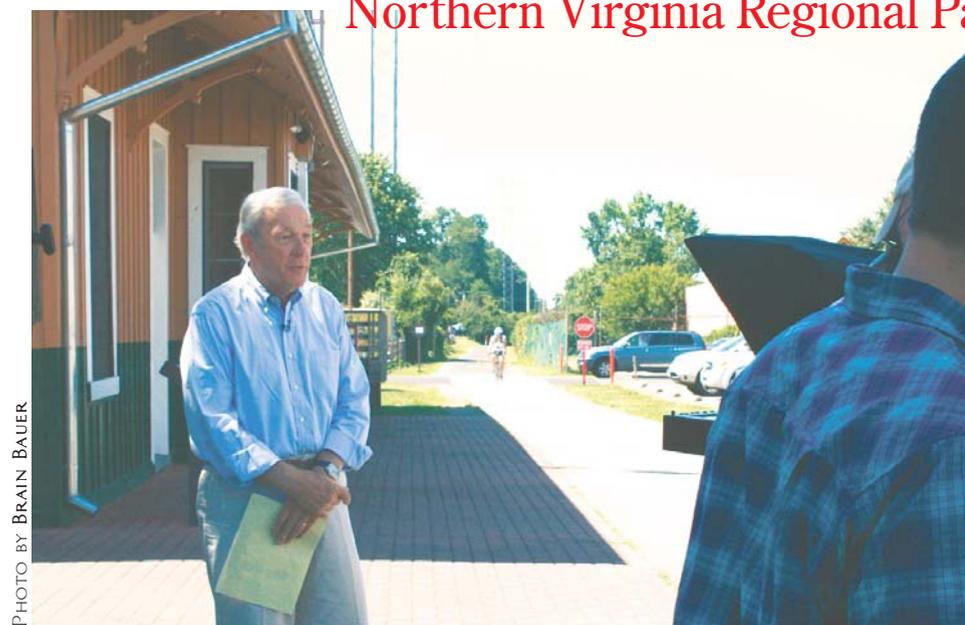


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**Former anchor for the History Channel and broadcast journalist Roger Mudd narrates the short documentary on the Civil War.**

## NEWS

# Farmers' Market Island-style

## Vienna market hosts children's luau.

**O**n Saturday, Aug. 6, the Vienna Farmers' Market embraced the luau party mood. It wasn't a 100 percent Hawaiian luau — limbo is Caribbean — but the children did not appear to care about the cultural authenticity. They were having fun in a tropical motif, and it was free.

The luau, a children-focused event spanning the morning, featured duck-fishing in a mini-pool, a balloon artist, hula-hooping, island music, limbo stick, play-golf and a hula dancer.

A month ago when co-market master Sarah Jane Brady announced the event, she said they were looking for something new to do at the summer market that engaged the whole family. Brady did a lot of promotion for the luau and the publicity paid off. Many children were dressed in Hawaiian-flavored dresses and shirts and some families said they had come expressly for the luau. Families who had never made it to the market previously were drawn to the luau party.

**THE VIENNA FARMERS' MARKET** is operated by the Greater Vienna Optimists Club and coordinated by market masters Brady and Dave Lanphear of the Optimists. In the spirit of the luau, Lanphear put on a grass skirt to do a hula.

Brady emphasized that the Greater Vienna Opti-



PHOTO BY DONNA MANZ/THE CONNECTION

**The debut children's luau at the Vienna Farmers' Market was described by market master Sarah Jane Brady as 'extremely successful.' A thousand leis were distributed in two hours.**

mists Club is all about children and that the luau was created for their enjoyment. One thousand leis were donated to the farmers' market for the luau and, by 11 a.m., they were completely distributed.

"That's what made today so special," said Brady. "Just seeing the kids enjoying themselves, doing the

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The master bedroom looks out over mature trees from both its sides. From the Creek Crossing side, flowering dogwoods brighten the view in the springtime.

## Historic Home

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one who is looking for a quaint house that boasts many of its original fittings.

“When I first saw it, I said, ‘I have to have that house,’” said Mascette. “I’ve changed nothing stylistically, just kept it in good shape and good working condition. I never

wanted a cookie-cutter house. I wanted something unique, something that looked like ‘my’ house. I miss it already.”

Maple Shade at 403 Creek Crossing Road, N.E., is listed by George Creed of ReMax-Xcutex. For more details on the property, contact Creed at [gcreedrealtor@verizon.net](mailto:gcreedrealtor@verizon.net) or call him at 703-216-5535.

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# OPINION

## Sample Ballots, More Engagement

Virginia Board of Election should mail a sample ballot that includes polling place and ballot for each voter.

It's half past redistricting, do you know where your boundaries are?

While we wrote about the misguided approach to drawing lines for some Virginia Senate and House of Delegates seats during the process, the effects of redistricting are brought more into focus here at the Connection as we plan for election coverage in the communities served by our 15 newspapers.

Many districts stretch out like snakes or amoebas with a piece of one community on this side, a swath of another over here. Individual towns are crisscrossed and nicked by multiple districts.

What's more, voters affected by redistricting are notified just by a postcard in the mail, during the summer — although we should be grateful for this step.

Virginia should follow the example of many other states that mail a full sample ballot to each voter before each election. The ballot shows the specific voter's polling place, a replica of the exact ballot the voter will see, allowing the voter to make selections before hand and carry the ballot into the voting booth, and information about absentee voting, rights and responsibilities and more.

This is a best practice at any time, but a critical practice the first cycle after redistricting. It's too late for this decade, but could be in place for the 2020 redistricting ...

Check your registration, polling place and ballot at [www.sbe.virginia.gov](http://www.sbe.virginia.gov), click on "voter information."

A wonderful source for information on the races, including details on campaign finance and the often mind-boggling maps of the new districts, is the Virginia Public Access Project, [www.vpap.org/elections/](http://www.vpap.org/elections/).

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Support for Culipher

To the Editor:

This coming fall, I will be a rising senior at Falls Church High School and will not be able to vote in the election because of my birthday. Even though I will not personally be able to vote, I am still interested in the upcoming election because of the State Senate. The candidate for my district that interests me is Gerarda Culipher (R) because she wants to help college students take on less debt.

Being a student in AVID, a pre-college program through Falls Church High School, I look forward to going to college and getting the best education that I can afford. I plan to apply to Liberty

University next year, an in-state private school. One reason that Culipher interests me is that she has made it one of her priorities to ensure financial liberty for young people after college graduation through lower student debt. She will ensure that Virginia's public state universities keep reasonable tuition prices and remain an available option for Virginia applicants. This will in turn help to keep Virginia's private universities, like Liberty, affordable as well.

Gerarda Culipher has a strong, visionary outlook on education. I believe Culipher has a plan to provide some level of financial assistance to make it less demanding for me to attend college. If elected, I believe she will provide the opportunity to give both myself and other students an informed and

personal choice when it comes to educating myself.

It is important for high school students like myself to get involved in elections. In this uncertain economy, teenagers are not aware of how their debt from college will affect them in their future, but politicians in our area can help make this situation better for us. Gerarda Culipher's platform of lowering taxes and embracing job creation will help ensure a promising future for me after graduation. There is real hope! I encourage my fellow seniors in the county to vote in November, and by making an informed decision could thereby save them money in student loans.

**Melanie Fernandez**  
Annandale

### Primary Races

Primary Election Day is Tuesday, Aug. 23.

❖ Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, Braddock district Democrats, Janet Oleszek and Christopher Wade compete to face incumbent John Cook (R) in November.

❖ Senate District 30, Democrats Adam Ebbin, Libby Garvey and Rob Krupicka are in a three-way race for the nomination to replace retiring state Sen. Patsy Ticer. The winner will face Tim McGee (R) in November. This district, including parts of Arlington, Alexandria and Mount Vernon, trends to Democrats, so the primary could determine the winner.

❖ Senate District 31, Democrats Jaime Areizaga-Soto (D) and Barbara A. Favola (D) face off; winner will face Caren Merrick (R), to replace retiring Sen. Mary Margaret Whipple. If you live in McLean, Great Falls, parts of Herndon or Sterling, you are likely in this newly configured district that used to be almost entirely in Arlington.

❖ Senate District 36, Republicans Jeffrey M. Frederick (R) and Tito Muñoz (R) compete to face state Sen. Toddy Puller (D) in this district that includes Mount Vernon, parts of Lorton and much more of Prince William County than before redistricting.

❖ Senate District 37, Republicans Steve Hunt and Jason Flanary compete to challenge state Sen. Dave Marsden (D).

❖ Senate District 39, Republicans Miller Baker and Scott Martin compete to challenge incumbent state Sen. George Barker (D) in November. This district encompasses parts of Centreville, Clifton, Lorton, Fairfax Station, Springfield and the City of Alexandria.

❖ House of Delegates 49, Democratic pri-

mary, Stephanie Clifford (D) v. Alfonso H. Lopez (D). So far there is no Republican or other candidate so the winner of the primary could be uncontested in November in this Arlington district.

❖ For Fairfax County Sheriff, Republicans H. Wes Kammerer and Bill A. Cooper III face off to determine who will face Sheriff Stan Barry (D).

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# NEWS

## Farmers' Market

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limbo over and over again, fishing for ducks.”

Brady and other Optimist Club volunteers handed out leis, and children who participated in activities received a prize. Many vendors were caught up in the spirit, as well, wearing Hawaiian shirts or a grass skirt. An inflated palm tree stood near the children's area.

The market masters, Brady and Lanphear, have more child-focused celebrations planned for the fall. An apple festival, highlighted by a scavenger hunt, is scheduled for September. In October, pumpkins will star in a mid-October festival.

As for the luau, Brady called it “extremely successful.”

“This was good, old-fashioned fun,” said Brady. “Doing silly things like limbo and duck fishing. It was all for the kids.”

**TO LEARN MORE** about the Vienna Farmers' Market, go to <http://viennafarmersmarket.com>.

The Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services is sponsoring a Virginia Farmers' Market photography contest that runs from July 1 to Aug. 17. Photos must feature Virginia-grown products. Prizes are in four categories. For more details about the contest and to enter, see <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Vienna-Farmers-Market/176720262362072?sk=notes#!/pages/Vienna-Farmers-Market/176720262362072?sk=wall>.

— DONNA MANZ

### CRIME REPORT

Activities reported by the Vienna police department through Aug. 5.

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**100 Block Church St., N.E.** July 29, 2:04 p.m. A concerned citizen reported an apparently intoxicated individual near the Freeman Store. Sergeant Juelharte located the subject and after a brief investigation arrested a 47-year-old male of Hillcrest Drive in Vienna for Drunk in Public. He was then transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center.

**1000 Block Hillcrest Drive, S.W.** Aug. 2, 8:48 a.m. MPO Shaver responded for a domestic dispute which was occurring between a mother and her teenage son. The son was concerned for the mother's health and well-being and hid her beer. The mother became angry and an argument ensued. During the confrontation the mother assaulted the son. MPO Shaver arrested the mother for Domestic Assault and transported her to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. She was held on a \$1,000 bond.

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# Extending a Modern Interior Outside

Outdoor kitchen, lighting, design creates elegant space for relaxation.

By MARILYN CAMPBELL  
THE CONNECTION

When the last of Janet Hanson's three children left for college, she decided to tackle a few household projects that she'd put on hold while her children were at home. At the top of her list was turning part of her expansive backyard into outdoor living space where she could entertain friends or simply sit and read.

"I've always enjoyed cooking," said Hanson. "I had envisioned inviting friends over for dinner and preparing and serving a complete meal all outdoors." Earlier this year, Hanson completed an outdoor kitchen on a flagstone deck. The kitchen includes a range with warming drawers, a refrigerator and a sink.

Home design experts say Hanson is part of a growing trend of people who want to take their indoor lifestyle outside. "Definitely over the last five years there's been a noticeable increase in the number of people who are doing outdoor living spaces," said Jessica Sweetland, a kitchen design consultant for HADCO in Dulles, Virginia. "There are more outdoor kitchens as well as an increase in the size and complexity of those outdoor kitchens."

Sweetland says manufacturers are creating alfresco-suitable furnishings in an effort to keep pace. "Essentially, for all of your major pieces that are available for your average indoor kitchen, there is a version that is acceptable for outdoor use," she said. "There are range tops, ovens, warming draw-

ers, refrigerators, icemakers, dishwashers, sinks and storage."

Washington-area contractor Howard Kandel, President of Kandel Construction, agrees that the outdoor living trend is on the rise and says that it extends beyond the kitchen. "Over the last several years, outdoor spaces have become a pretty hot topic - a lot of screened porches...and a lot of trying to bring the outside in," said Kandel.

The trend, he advises, should be tempered with realism. "People have a fantasy in their head of living a certain way, but the reality is they probably will never live that way, so we do a reality check with clients," said Kandel. "It sounds great, but is that how it's really going to work? Is that how you're really going to live?"

When Denise and Mike Kalten purchased their Arlington home in 2005, they inherited a backyard that consisted of a small deck and a woody area that sloped downward into a ravine.

The Kalstens wanted to create a better spot for entertaining their friends and a more kid-friendly play area for their two boys, ages 10 and 6 and their 6-month-old daughter.

"The house has a modern, clean feel...with high ceilings a stone fireplace," said Denise Kalten. "I wanted to take the interior of the house outside. ... I wanted there to be an extension of the house where we could relax and have dinner outside."

To create their outdoor space, the Kalstens enlisted the help of Arlington-based landscape architects Scott Brinitzer, Katia Goffin and Kameron Aroom of Scott Brinitzer Design Associates. The team was challenged



PHOTOS BY MARILYN CAMPBELL

with the task of turning the Kalten's uneven terrain into a polished living space.

"What we were faced with was really a backyard that was just a deck," said Brinitzer. The metamorphosis was a mammoth landscape design project that added a winding pathway that leads from the front of the house through a garden to the outdoor sitting area, dining area and kitchen.

The Kalstens' outdoor cookery has a range, refrigerator, cold-water sink and bar area. "It is very different than a lot of kitchens

you see in magazines," said Brinitzer. "It has a light ... delicate touch as opposed to being heavy."

The Kalstens worked with Arlington interior designer Dolly Howarth of Howarth Designs to develop a neutral color scheme in shades of gray, cream and black. They chose a modern and minimalist table and chairs, as well as a sofa from Janus et Cie and included a Frank Ghery coffee table made of resin and bar stools that Denise imported from Italy.

**Arlington homeowner Denise Kalten with landscape architects Scott Brinitzer and Katia Goffin of Scott Brinitzer Design Associates in the outdoor kitchen, with the outdoor living room visible in the background.**

## Top 10 Things to Know Before You Purchase a House

By JOSH BAKER



Too many times, I've had to deliver the upsetting news to new homebuyers: the project they are considering is not feasible. With a little due diligence and expertise, the new homebuyers' disappointment could have been avoided.

Here are 10 things to consider when purchasing a house with the intention of a future remodeling project.

**1. Check the local government's zoning ordinances.** Don't assume that you have identical building rights as your neighbors. Regulations change, and the particular location

of your lot (corner lot example) may be impacted.

**2. Research any neighborhood association restrictions.** If you conduct a title search of the property, you should find the following: architectural design guidelines and review, construction materials requirements and even restrictions on how close you can build on the property line, along with size limits.

**3. Never assume that an existing structure is adequate for future modifications.** For instance, second floor ceiling structures are often inadequate flooring structures for remodeling attic space. Similarly, deck structures may not be appropriately designed

to handle enclosed spaces. Basement ceilings in unfinished areas may be too low to finish and may not meet local building codes. Also, it's important to remember that all finished spaces require egress, or an exit (s).

**4. Check system capacities.** Most often, systems in the house are designed at best to meet the needs of the existing structure. That means when you increase the size of the house, you'll likely have to create new capacity for heating and cooling. You may even need to upgrade and enlarge the water supply, as well as the gas and electric supplies.

**5. Investigate policies regarding septic systems.** Policies vary among districts, but it is

critical that you understand the capacity of your existing system and what is entailed with expanding it. New technologies are becoming more widespread, which gives more options for expansion. Always consult an engineer in your specific area for detailed recommendations.

**6. Be aware of hazardous materials.** Many homes in our area built prior to 1972 have lead paint. And homes throughout the area, particularly those built 40 years ago or more may have asbestos tile. Handling these materials appropriately, as part of a remodeling project, is required by law. So you should plan on the extra cost associated with the safe remediation of these materials.

**7. Make sure that you understand and appreciate your landscaping.** Some trees and plantings are very delicate and may be damaged by construction in close proximity. There are techniques to minimize damage, such as root pruning and liquid fertilization. If you're considering a remodeling project in an area with a very important tree, you should consult a professional arborist.

**8. Think through access for construction.** One of the most overlooked aspects of a remodeling project is the logistics of transporting materials, equipment and personnel to the construction site. Often, access is restricted by trees, pools, grade, etc., making construction much more costly.

**9. Be realistic about timing.** The permitting process in particular can be a harrowing experience.

With new local restrictions particularly in regard to land disturbance, permitting can often take as long as six months. Verify all requirements in your district, and hire a professional expediter to make the process as easy as possible.

**10. Be realistic about your budget.** As with many new purchases, there may be some unanticipated costs, and you may want to do more work than you initially planned. Make sure you're conservative in developing a budget that will meet your needs, and consult an expert for the particular sort of work you are considering. Remember to find someone who tells you what you need to know, and not what you want to hear.

Josh Baker is founder of BOWA, [www.bowa.com](http://www.bowa.com)

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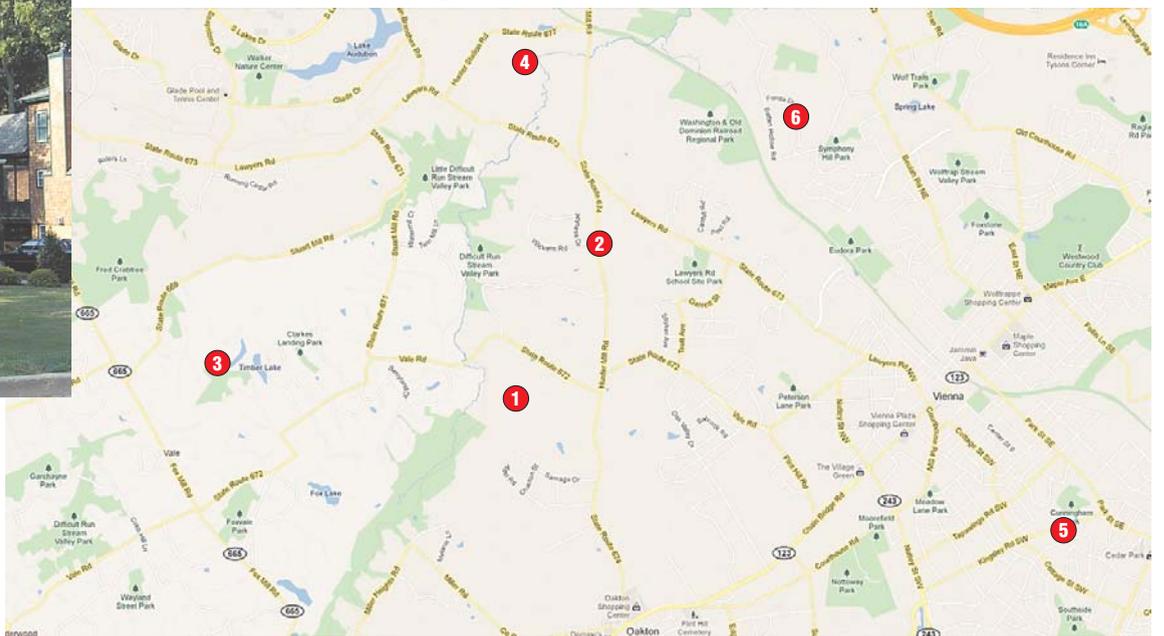
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**Vienna Arts Society's General Membership Meeting.** 7:30 p.m. Vienna Art Center, 115 Pleasant St., N.W., Vienna. Artist Gwenn Bragg will explain her technique of using transparent watercolors in "Shadows on White." Free and open to the public. 703-319-3971 or [www.ViennaArtsSociety.org](http://www.ViennaArtsSociety.org)

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**"Guys and Dolls."** 8 p.m. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1624 Trap Road, Vienna. The musical comedy set in Depression-era New York. Tickets \$20-\$80. [www.wolftrap.org](http://www.wolftrap.org).

## FRIDAY/AUG. 12

**Dan Navarro** at 7 p.m., followed by **Tyler Bryant** at 10 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).

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# At Bat for Brain Tumors

**Tournament at Waters Field is played annually in memory of Vienna-raised Brian Bedell.**

BY DONNA MANZ  
THE CONNECTION

**B**rian Bedell, grew up in Vienna, graduating from Oakton High School. In May 2005, Bedell died of brain cancer at the age of 35 after a 20-month battle. The annual Vienna-based Wiffle Ball World Series, in Bedell's memory, does not dwell on Bedell's passing. Instead, it celebrates his life, the life of a son, a brother a husband and a very good friend.

Bedell never asked, "why me," when he was diagnosed with a grade IV glioblastoma [GBM] brain tumor. Rather, he looked at the disease as something that was cast upon him for a reason. With support from friends and family, Bedell established the 2 Young Foundation [2YF] in 2004 to fund brain cancer research and provide support to families and patients. His friends honor Bedell by carrying on the mission of 2YF.

The 2011 Wiffle Ball World Series, which took place Saturday, Aug. 6 at Waters Field, was the seventh consecutive 2YF-sponsored charity tournament. Last year, 2YF raised over \$40,000 from the Wiffle Ball World Series all-day tournament.

Five games were played simultaneously, from teams made up of Little Leaguers and high school athletes to "masters" and, on the field, children's activities were set up. The \$5 admission donation included everything on the fields except the food sold from the snack stand.

The "Vienna Inn Clubhouse" was set up in the hall of the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department across the street from Waters Field.

"In the beginning, this [tournament] was to support Brian," said tournament director and good friend Marc Zapf. "He really loved Wiffle Ball. Now, it's important because it brings us all back together, remembering him. As we get further away from his passing, it's a great outlet for us to give back."

The tournament is doubly personal for Zapf. He lost friend Bedell to brain cancer and a cousin, Betsy, who died at age 38.

Bedell's William and Mary classmate John Windt of Vienna wore a "Ya Gotta Believe" jersey, as did his teammates. The slogan was the rallying cry of Tug McGraw, a New York Mets player who drove his 1973 Mets team to the World Series. McGraw, like Bedell, died of brain cancer.

**JAMES MADISON HIGH SCHOOL** was well represented by players and school baseball coach Mark "Pudge" Gjormand. Gjormand grew up in Vienna playing youth



**The Wiffle Ball World Series at Waters Field in Vienna is played annually in memory of Brian Bedell, who grew up in Vienna and died of brain cancer at age 35.**



**Brian Bedell's friends, John Windt, Jodi Leigh and Marc Zapf gather at the Wiffle Ball World Series played in memory of Bedell.**

sports with Bedell. Like a few others, Gjormand was playing to honor Bedell's memory and in honor of someone else, as well. One of the 10-year-old players on the traveling team that Gjormand's son plays on has brain cancer. Gjormand said he is playing for that child, as well as having some fun.

Madison baseball players Nate Favero, Henry Brandmark and Tim Davis fielded a team. As a group, the young men have been playing in the tournament for approximately five years.

For Favero, supporting the cause is the primary reason he participates, that and the camaraderie.

"It's fun to be out here with other people in the community," Favero said.

"I come out here to raise money for a great cause and to have fun playing a backyard sport that everybody loves," said Brandmark.

PHOTOS BY DONNA MANZ/THE CONNECTION



**Nate Favero, Mark 'Pudge' Gjormand, Henry Brandmark and Tim Davis, all with James Madison High School baseball, participated in the Wiffle Ball World Series.**

**"It's fun to come out here for friendly competition and also to raise money for a good cause."**

— Tim Davis

Forty-eight teams of three or four players registered for the 2011 games, making this year's event the largest tournament yet. Each team paid \$240 to play. All proceeds, from donations and sale of merchandise, goes to 2YF.

"It's fun to come out here for friendly competition and also to raise money for a good cause," Davis said. To learn more about the Brian Bedell 2 Young Foundation, see [www.2YF.org](http://www.2YF.org).

**Georgia Ratcliff** of Vienna was part of a U.S. Rowing women's eight crew that finished third at the 2011 World Rowing Junior Championships in Eton, England. The women's eight entered the three-boat final with only a seeding heat under its belt. Both Germany and Romania had shown strong starts in the race for lanes, so the U.S. nine-member crew, including Ratcliff, went into the finals knowing it would need a strong middle 1,000 meters to keep in the hunt. Unfortunately, the U.S. dropped four seconds to Romania in the first 500 meters and could never close the gap for the top two spots. "We knew we'd be down off the start," said coxswain Christine Devlin (Harvard, Mass.) "We had these moves at the 500 and 1,000 meter marks that we thought we're going to get it. But, [Germany and Romania] brought their 'A' games, and they went above and beyond what I think we could have gone. They rowed their hearts out, and I don't think we could have gone any harder. So, no disappointment. We put it all out there, and they were just the better crews."

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**Herndon's Julie Luo** won the 2011 Virginia Junior Girls' Championship on July 20 at The Club at Ironwood, in Staunton. The 14-year-old rising freshman at Thomas Jefferson High School was a wire-to-wire winner, posting a 73-71-144 to edge Chesapeake's Lauren Coughlin by three strokes. Luo said afterward that a timely tip from her instructor, Stephen Moskal, helped her win her first important tournament.

"I was wondering how everyone else was playing, but my teacher taught me not to think about anyone else's score; just play my own game," said Luo. "I concentrated on hitting each shot as well as I could."

The highlight of Luo's second round, and the key to her victory, came on holes 11-15. She played them at three under par, which gave her the winning three-stroke lead. Shabril Brewer of Herndon finished fourth in the 16-18 age division and tied for sixth overall.

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# Writing On!



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Having written a number of columns on the subject (probably close to 125 at this juncture), I suppose I could admit to being somewhat of a reasonable source of insight, and possibly even a provider of some actual information, about being a cancer patient; more specifically, a cancer patient who's received a terminal prognosis. Although in the past I've mocked my knowledge as maybe being worthy of a chapter or two in a book, 28 months post-diagnosis however, changes that. Perhaps there is indeed a book to be written, or at least an anthology of cancer columns (as I endearingly call them) offered for public consumption. Their publication has served my individual good; maybe the "greater good" could likewise be served.

Or maybe not. Maybe simply the act of writing them has served its purpose; extending my life way beyond what my initial prognosis: "13 months to two years" might have led me to believe. Perhaps because I've had an outlet that enabled me to regularly get out so much of what was in, I have endured my "terminal" status better than my oncologist anticipated. Moreover, in writing as often and as personally as I have, maybe I've simply – inadvertently – deluded myself into some kind of ongoing pursuit of life, liberty and happiness that has unwittingly sustained me. After all, it was the Fourth of July recently, which I hereby declare my new favorite holiday.

Then again, there may not be any rhyme or reason why here I sit – upright, pen in hand, 30 months after a biopsy indicated malignant stage IV tumors in my lungs resulting in the rather disappointing diagnosis/prognosis on Feb. 27, 2009. Nevertheless, not everybody dies from whatever they have despite what their attending physician tells and/or predicts for them. As my brother, Richard, said way back when: "There are exceptions to every rule. You'll be the exception that disproves the rule." And so far he's been right. I do seem to be an exception (we must know of half a dozen people who were similarly diagnosed – after me, who've not survived). Why he's right, exactly, is a topic of some debate (not that we argue about it though; duh!). Is it luck? Happenstance? Lifestyle changes? Diet? Stress reduction? Genetic anomalies? Who knows? So far, it just is. As Elaine from Seinfeld said, in a completely different subject: "Oh, it be." And I am sure thankful that it be.

Still, I can't stop questioning my good fortune – sometimes. I don't really need any kind of a definitive answer, but if I knew, maybe I'd be better able to accept my circumstances and not question every little thing that I think, feel, sense, think I feel I sense, etc. Sometimes, good fortune – in a peculiar way, is as thought-provoking and mind-altering as bad fortune. Good fortune – to me, is likely temporary. Bad fortune seems more permanent. As I further rationalize it: if good turns to bad, that's a negative reaction – which I'm trying to avoid; however, if bad turns to good, that's a positive reaction which is extremely beneficial. For me, it's easier to live with unexpectedly – and surprisingly – good news than it is to receive unexpectedly bad news. Good news I could handle ("bank error in your favor"). Bad news not so much. Prepare for the worst and hope for the best. That's how I roll: with the punches.

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**Alexandria Scottish Rite Centennial Event.** 6 p.m. The Alexandria Scottish Rite Temple, 1430 West Braddock Road, Alexandria. With political satire performed by The Hexagoners. \$20 per person including dinner. 703-998-9044.

**Artist's Reception.** 6-8 p.m. Applegate Gallery & Custom Framing, 101 Church St. N.W. Suite C, Vienna. "Selected Works 2009-2011," photographs by Reston resident Ed Hahn, will be on display through Sept. 9. Refreshments served. [info@applegateframing.com](mailto:info@applegateframing.com).

**Traveling Players Present Three Classical Plays.** 3 p.m. The Madeira School, 8328 Georgetown Pike, McLean. The comedies Moliere's "Sganarelle", Shakespeare's "Comedy of Errors" and Flaminio Scala's "The Tragic Events". Free and open to the public. [www.travelingplayers.org](http://www.travelingplayers.org) or 703-987-1712.

**Fairfax County Master Gardeners Association, Inc.** 10 a.m.-1 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Horticultural tips, information, techniques and advice. 703-293-6227.

**Meet the Harleys!** 1 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Get a close-up look at real Harleys, have your photo taken and meet the people who ride them. Harleys will be on parking deck G2. 703-293-6227.

**Tricks in a Suitcase.** 2:30 p.m. Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Ringmaster Harold Wood becomes a magician, juggler, clown and more right before your eyes. All ages. 703-757-8560.

**Neighborhood Plant Clinic.** 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Oakton Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. Horticultural tips and strategies. 703-242-4020.

**Plant Clinic.** 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. Masters Gardeners from the Fairfax County Cooperative Extension answer your gardening questions. Adults. 703-790-8088.

**Local Author Book Signing.** 10:30 a.m. Barnes and Noble, 7851 L. Tyson's Corner Center Mall, McLean. McLean resident and teacher Laura Murray will be signing and reading from her children's book "The Gingerbread Man Loose in the School." [www.LauraMurrayBooks.com](http://www.LauraMurrayBooks.com).

**Guys and Dolls.** 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1624 Trap Road, Vienna. The musical comedy set in Depression-era New York. Tickets \$20-\$80. [www.wolftrap.org](http://www.wolftrap.org).

**Ice Cream Social.** 2-4 p.m. Artists' Atelier, 1144 Walker Road, Suite G, Great Falls. Jill Banks "100 Faces in 100 Days" exhibit. [jillbanks1@aol.com](mailto:jillbanks1@aol.com) or 703-435-7435.

## UNDAY/AUG. 14

**Uly Civil War Weekend.** 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Sully Historic Site, 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly. Federal and Confederate troops recreate Civil War daily life as re-enactors demonstrate the varied work of the army. Skirmishes include infantry, artillery and cavalry. Visit the weekend encampment and discover a soldier's lifestyle during this turbulent time in America's history. Enjoy live music and a fashion show. House tour includes artifacts rarely on exhibit belonging to the Haight family, mid-19th century residents at



**There will be an Artist's Reception at the Artists' Atelier, 1144 Walker Road, Suite G, Great Falls. on Friday, Aug. 12 from 6-9 p.m. for Jill Banks, painter of the "100 Faces in 100 Days" exhibit. The exhibit will remain on display through Aug. 31. [jillbanks1@aol.com](mailto:jillbanks1@aol.com) or 703-435-7435.**

Sully. \$8 adults, \$6 seniors and children. 703-708-0861.

**The Dear Hunter, Deas Vail and O'Brother.** 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).

**Fairfax on the Eve of the Civil War.** 2 p.m. Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center, 10209 Main St., Fairfax. With living history presenter Jon Vrana and his portrayal of Col. Silas Burke. The namesake of present-day Burke was a large Fairfax landowner and promoter of the Orange and Alexandria Railroad in the 1850s. Free. 703-385-8414.

**World Champion Wushu Kungfu Show.** 3 p.m. George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. With more than 20 of the world's top professional Wushu / Kungfu athletes and masters. Ticket holders may attend the pre-show news conference and meet actor and former Wushu Kungfu National Champion Jet Li, 2-2:45 p.m. 703-978-7905.

**"Guys and Dolls."** 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1624 Trap Road, Vienna. The musical comedy set in Depression-era New York. Tickets \$20-\$80. [www.wolftrap.org](http://www.wolftrap.org).

## MONDAY/AUG. 15

**An Evening With The Young Dubliners.** 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).

**Preschool Storytime.** 10:30 a.m. Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Stories, fingerplays and activities. Age 3-5 with adult. 703-757-8560.

**English Conversation.** 10:30 a.m. Oakton Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton.

English practice for non-native speakers. Adults. 703-242-4020.

## TUESDAY/AUG. 16

**Be Your Own Boss.** 2:30 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Mike Rose shows you how to make money by starting a small business. Age 12-18. 703-293-6227.

**English Conversation Group.** 7 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Conversation group for adults learning English. 703-293-6227.

**Evening Book Discussion.** 7:30 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. The Man from Beijing by Henning Mankell. Adults. 703-293-6227.

**Bubble Bath Bunny with Kamp Kreatures Puppets.** 7 p.m. Dolley Madison Library, 1244 Oak Ridge Ave., McLean. Eager Beaver tries to get his pet Magic Bunny to take a bath. All ages. 703-356-0770.

**Amazing Metamorphosis: More Than Just Insects.** 2:30 p.m. Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. Hidden Oaks Nature Center presents the metamorphosis from tadpole to frog and larvae to adult for monarch butterflies and ladybugs featuring live insects and tadpoles. 703-938-0405.

**Personalized Internet Training.** 2:30 p.m. Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. A 45-minute training session with a technology volunteer. Call for appointment. Adults. 703-790-8088.

**Mystery Book Discussion.** 6:30 p.m. Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. Call for title. Adults. 703-790-8088.

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