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Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chair Sharon Bulova presents John Dapogny of Vienna with a Lifetime Achievement award at the 20th annual Fairfax County Volunteer Service Awards Friday, April 27. Dapogny has spent the last 15 years volunteering with Homestretch, which assists homeless families.



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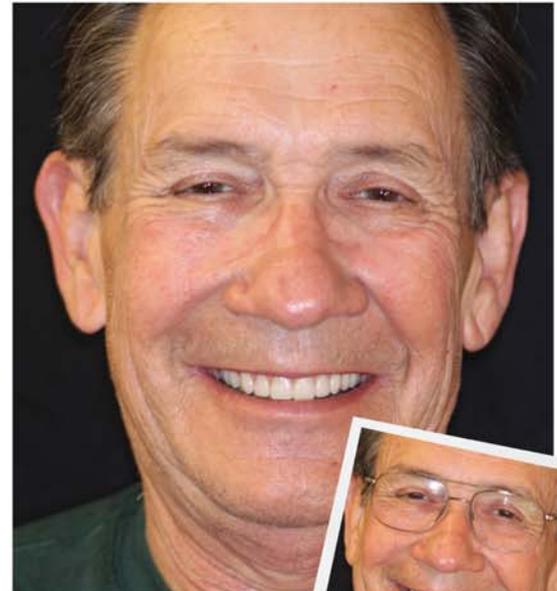
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NEWS

Value of Volunteer Hours: \$4.5 Million

Legacy of Community Service? Priceless.

BY VICTORIA ROSS
THE CONNECTION

“Volunteers aren’t paid, not because they are worthless, but because they are priceless.”

Eleanor Roosevelt’s famous sentiment was echoed by numerous community and civic leaders who gathered at the Waterford in Springfield Friday, April 27, to celebrate 118 Fairfax County volunteers during the 20th annual Volunteer Service Awards hosted by Volunteer Fairfax.

“When you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in,” said Congressman Gerry Connolly (D-11), who delivered a short address to the more than 400 guests attending the region’s largest celebration of volunteers.

“Even when the earth shakes us, we stand behind the enduring legacy of service in this community,” said Jeanne Sanders, Volunteer Fairfax executive director, who showed a slide of the small bungalow on Page Street in Fairfax



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Breakfast of Champions: Fairfax County Supervisors stand with their nominees for the Community Champion award for outstanding community leadership at the 20th annual Volunteer Service Awards ceremony Friday, April 27 at the Waterford in Springfield. The event was sponsored by UnitedHealthcare.

that serves as the nonprofit’s headquarters. The building remained standing even after last summer’s magnitude-5.8 quake rattled the region. “Nothing shakes our vol-

unteer spirit,” Sanders said.

Established in 1993, the Fairfax County Volunteer Service Awards honors individuals, groups and organizations which have donated

time and energy to a broad range of activities and programs.

“Whether they are helping neighbors in need or building communities, volunteers are always

About Volunteer Fairfax

For more than 35 years, Volunteer Fairfax has been the heart of volunteering in Fairfax County. With a personal touch, the center’s staff matches the skills and interests of volunteers and donors to the needs of local nonprofit organizations, helping to build a better community through service. Through a variety of programs and services, Volunteer Fairfax strengthens the capacity of its nonprofit members and offers meaningful volunteer opportunities for local citizens. Volunteer Fairfax was recently listed in the Catalogue of Philanthropy, which shines a light on smaller, community-based nonprofits. Since 1993, Volunteer Fairfax has honored more than 2,500 individuals for their commitment to volunteerism through its annual Volunteer Service Awards celebration, the largest in the region.

To learn more, go to www.volunteerfairfax.org.

finding new ways to continue the legacy of service,” Sanders said, adding that this year’s nominees volunteered 205,688 hours of service to the community, equivalent of eight hours a day, five days a week for one year, totaling \$4.5 million.

Volunteers were nominated in three categories: a competitive Volunteer Service Award; a Community Champion Award for outstanding community leadership, submitted by each member of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors; and a Benchmark Award for volunteers who achieve a certain number of service hours performed in a calendar year.

Vienna Volunteers Honored

John Dapogny receives Lifetime Achievement award and Vivian Morgan-Mendez a Fairfax County Government Volunteer award.

For more than 15 years, John Dapogny of Vienna has been the “ambassador” of Homestretch. His passion for the mission to help homeless families throughout Fairfax County is evident to everyone he meets. By serving on every board committee, he has been a strong contributing partner to the success and growth of Homestretch over the years. He has assisted in providing more units for families, entertained potential donors with his jazz band, and has advised staff on various legal issues and best practices.

“Every so often, one discov-

ers a board member like John Dapogny, who decides to devote himself to a charity with such vigor, commitment, personal discipline, creativity, selflessness, generosity and leadership that he becomes a saint to those he works with,” said Christopher Fay, executive director of Homestretch. “John has become beloved to everyone at Homestretch through his incredible devotion and scrupulous attention to excellence...His impact is immense.”

During the past five years, Vivian Morgan-Mendez of Vienna has served as a site lead with the Fairfax County Park Authority, and



John Dapogny of Vienna celebrates his Lifetime Achievement Award with Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova (D-At-large).

has overseen more than 600 volunteers through ongoing and one-time service projects at Nottoway



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Members of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors present Vivian Morgan-Mendez with a Fairfax County Government Volunteer award for her efforts coordinating more than 600 volunteers at Vienna’s Nottoway Park.

Park. Not only does she lead the volunteers, but she takes the extra time to educate them about the purpose of their work so they know the impact they’ve made. Through her service, the habitat quality at the park has significantly improved, and residents can now access the paths and use the fitness trail, as well as enjoy the na-

ture surrounding them.

“Vivian has been an irreplaceable asset to the program,” said Erin Stocksclaeder, Invasive Area Management Coordinator. “She is always willing to take on the coordination of large groups of volunteers and truly cares about the work she has done at Nottoway Park.”

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Town of Vienna Mayor M. Jane Seeman helps plant a fig tree in honor of Arbor Day as Del. Mark Keam (D-35) looks on.

Vienna Named Tree City USA

For the eleventh consecutive year, the Town of Vienna has been named a Tree City USA community by the Arbor Day Foundation to honor its commitment to urban forestry. The award was presented to the Town by Terry Lasher of the Virginia Department of Forestry at the Town's annual Arbor Day tree planting ceremony at the Vienna Community Center on April 23.

Four standards must be met to become a Tree City USA community: having a tree board or department, a tree care ordinance, a comprehensive community forestry program and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service. Information can be found at www.arborday.org/TreeCityUSA.

In conjunction with the tree planting ceremony, a groundbreaking ceremony was held for the new Community/Educational Garden. The garden, sponsored by the Town of Vienna and Vienna Elementary School and supported by Maple Avenue Market and Whole Foods Vienna, will consist of an educational element for Vienna Elementary School students and a community garden for the Town of Vienna. For information on the Community/Educational Garden, contact Cathy Salgado at 703-255-6356 or csalgado@viennava.gov.

Clouds Over Tysons

The hopes of glorious vision face reality of a post recession Northern Virginia.

BY NICHOLAS HORROCK
THE CONNECTION

Back when Clark Tyler was running meetings of the citizens group planning the redevelopment of Tysons Corner, the transformation of this traffic strangled cross roads seemed a glorious vision.

The ambitious plan grew during one of the hottest housing booms of Fairfax's history. Housing prices soared and equities grew. The boom in turn was fed by millions of dollars of federal and defense expenditures in Northern Virginia. Typical family real estate taxes grew as well from \$2,400 a year to \$4,800.

But now in 2012, the hopes of that glorious vision have run into the reality of a post recession Northern Virginia and the tightening of federal expenditures that could spell limitations in the future.

THE PLAN called for the crowded traffic corridors of the present Tysons to be replaced by Metrorail bringing thousands of workers to its offices each day. The streets would be pedestrian friendly, neighborhoods joined by perhaps a trolley or a local bus system. There would be restaurants and urban parks, playgrounds and bike trails and a 21st Century ambiance without the exhausts of thousands of autos each day.

The plan would grow Tysons over the next 40 years from a village of 17,000 permanent residents and 105,000 day workers to an employment Mecca of 200,000

and a residential population of 100,000.

The Metrorail has arrived and is slated to be completed some time in 2013; four stations in Tysons and one at Wiehle Avenue in Reston. The \$2.9 billion project was on budget until this spring when the Washington Metropolitan Airport Authority acknowledged that it was \$150,000 million over budget.

Whether the second nearly \$3 billion phase from Reston to Dulles will go forward is in serious doubt unless Loudoun County votes to pay its share (answer in July) and millions of additional dollars come from Virginia and the federal government. Fairfax County has already voted to pay its share of Phase 2. Up to now this entire project is backed primarily by taxpayers and the drivers along the Dulles Toll Road.

As Thomas L. Cranmer, a director of the Fairfax County Taxpayers Alliance wryly puts it, "the taxpayers have generously provided subway stops for developers." He is one of a growing clique who thinks that Phase 2 of Dulles Rail will be an economic disaster, based on faulty estimations of cost.

But the unexpected costs of Dulles Rail are not the only clouds hovering over the "glorious vision" of a new Tysons Corner:

- ❖ Housing values have fallen due to recession, but the high taxes of the mid-2000s have remained high.

- ❖ Federal government spending is growing tighter and the Department of Defense anticipates sharp cuts.

- ❖ The office market, the very

center of the notion of historic expansion for Tysons Corner, is down 17 percent and the federal workforce is contracting. An analysis by Jones Lang LaSalle, an international real estate broker doesn't see federal employment expanding sharply in the near term.

- ❖ Large projects in nearby jurisdictions mean competitors for Tysons Corner. In Alexandria construction is under way on a 20-year, 300 acre project which will include high rise office buildings, perhaps an additional Metro stop and could attract a work force of 60,000. In Arlington, the county is working hard to repopulate the Crystal City development which until recently had a work force of some 60,000.

- ❖ When the military's Base Realignment and Closure program (BRAC) moved 20,000 employees from Arlington to Alexandria, South Fairfax and Prince William County in 2010, it created an office building boom around Ft. Belvoir and increased development in Prince William County.

IN 2009, the Fairfax Planning Commission estimated that to make Tysons Corner into the city of the planning vision would cost \$15 billion for roads and transit not including the Dulles Rail costs. Who is going to pay this enormous cost is the argument now reverberating around Fairfax.

One proposal was a 50-50 split with owners and developers of Tysons paying 50 percent of the cost and the taxpayers the rest. But Rob Jackson of the McLean Citizens Association argues that it



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Trevor Clarkson (Marshall High School), with his parents, chooses a book that will be housed in his school library with a label honoring him as a VTRCC Chamber Star.

Chamber Stars

Thirty-three students were honored from schools in the Tysons Corner and Vienna area who came to the ViennaTysons Regional Chamber of Commerce program flanked by family and friends. Ted Sergio, from Navy Federal Credit Union, coordinated this program for the Youth and Education Committee. He asked the students what

they see at night when they look up into the sky? They responded, "Stars." He asked, "What do you think of when you see a star?" and he got answers light "They are bright," "they lead the way in darkness," and "they make me smile," at which time Ted said "Exactly, and you as Chamber Stars are those things too, you are bright, you are leaders, and you make us very proud."



Some of the students from area schools who were recognized as Chamber Stars.

should follow the pattern of the Route 128 project with the developers paying 75 percent. Others believe that the developers, who will be the principal beneficiaries of the redevelopment, should pay 100 percent.

The debate has certainly made

agreement on the Planning Commissions Tysons Committee difficult to come by. It postponed every meeting since Feb. 15. The committee next meets on May 2 and if the schedule holds details of the disagreements may become known.

BULLETIN BOARD

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

SATURDAY/MAY 5

Vienna Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Vienna Caboose, 131 Church St. N.E., Vienna. Voter registration by the League of Women Voters available. Producers only, Saturdays through Oct. 27. viennafarmersmarket.com.

"The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens" Workshop. 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St. S.E., Vienna. For age 12-19. Provide teens with tools to deal successfully with real life issues, gain greater control over their lives and make smarter decisions and get the competitive edge with college and job

applications. \$175-\$200 plus the book for \$15. 703-255-6360 or www.viennava.gov.

Climate Change in Virginia: Local Impacts, Local Action. 10 a.m. Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. Northern Virginia Climate Action Network and Virginia Climate Commissioner Delegate David Bulova discuss specific risks Virginia is facing from the impacts of climate change. Free. 703-506-4310.

SUNDAY/MAY 6

The Use and Abuse of Sacred Narrative. 12:45 p.m. Fairfax Unitarian Church, 2709 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton. Sacred texts such as the Bible or the Koran provide a narrative of God's role in the world, and man's place in it. Unfortunately sacred texts can also be used to justify a skewed and toxic view of

life.

Dog and Cat Adoptions. 1-4 p.m. PetSmart, 8204 Leesburg Pike, Vienna. Every Sunday. Sponsored by Lost Dog & Cat Rescue Foundation. www.lostdogrescue.org.

TUESDAY/MAY 8

Vienna Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce TIPS Luncheon. 12:15 p.m. Shula's Steakhouse, 8028 Leesburg Pike, in the Tysons Corner Marriott. Every Tuesday. 703-862-4895.

Tysons Corner Kiwanis Club Meeting. 7:30 p.m. at George C. Marshall High School, Room 124, 7731 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. Meeting is public and Individuals looking to volunteer in their community welcome. Meetings the second and fourth Tuesday of the month.

www.tysonscornerkiwanis.org.
NARFE Chapter 1116 Vienna-Oakton. 1:30 p.m. Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St., Vienna. Ice cream social. With Buckley Fricker, author of "Elder Care: The Road to Growing Old is Not Paved," a reference manual on elder care topics. Free. 703-698-1838.

Great Falls Citizens Association Meeting. 7:30 p.m. The Grange, 9818 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. How residents can take advantage of summer programs in Riverbend, Turner, Colvin Run and Great Falls National Parks. With presentations by park staff. bcanis@yahoo.com.

WEDNESDAY/MAY 9

Virginia Chronic Pain Support Group Meeting. 1:30 p.m. at Kaplan Center for Integrative

Medicine, 6829 Elm St., Suite 300, McLean. Group leader, Jodi Brayton, LCSW. 703-532-4892.

Multiple Sclerosis Support Group. 7 p.m. Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park St., NE, Vienna, VA. A group for anyone with multiple sclerosis, their family and friends. Sponsored by the National Capital Chapter of the MS Society. The group meets the second Wednesday of every month. Free. 703-768-4841.

Faith Communities in Action. 2 p.m. Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Conference Center Rooms 2 & 3, Fairfax. A panel of community food providers and county human service staff will discuss how food is distributed in Fairfax County, who is providing it and how it is accessed. The panel will talk about the various ways faith communities are involved. NCSInterfaith@fairfaxcounty.gov.

OPINION

Reminders to Press Ahead for Housing

Spring discussion on hypothermia shelters could help preparations for winter.

In February, 2007, 59-year-old Robert Bruce Miller was found dead outdoors in Chantilly. Miller was homeless, known to businesses and residents in the area. He died of hypothermia, exposure to the cold.

Since that time, houses of worship and non-profit organizations have stepped into the gap, providing shelter from the storm on a "no-turn-away" basis from November to March.

In Fairfax County, about 35 houses of worship provide shelter to approximately 1,000 homeless men and women during the winter months. Each year, various churches, synagogues, mosques and temples take turns providing space to provide food and shelter for the homeless population during the winter months. Last year, there were no hypothermia-related deaths reported. Similar programs operate in Arlington and Alexandria.

An alarm went up over the past month as some churches that have been providing hypothermia shelter heard that they could be barred from providing the service due to fire-

code violations. While some faith leaders said they had heard as many as 18 would be unable to reopen, Sharon Bulova said that just four might have insurmountable fire code violations for serving as emergency shelters. Obviously no one wants to put both church volunteers and those seeking shelter at risk.

"Fairfax County has a unique partnership with our faith communities and non-profits. We are committed to serving the homeless population in a way that is compassionate and ensures their safety," Bulova said.

It's important to recognize that providing shelter from life-threatening conditions is in fact a government function. Faith-based organizations and nonprofits are stepping in on this issue and many others to provide leadership, inspiration and services, saving local governments enormous sums of money.

The county should consider if it might be appropriate for firehouses with capacity might be open in rotation as hypothermia shelters,

staffed with church volunteers, if some churches cannot make the changes needed by fire code regulations.

More important is to recognize the need for hypothermia shelters as an indicator that we have not ended homelessness. Providing housing first to people who need a variety of services saves money and makes the most effective use of scarce resources.

Amanda Andere, head of FACETS, Catherine Hudgins, member of the Board of Supervisors, and others reminded the group concerned about the shelters that the real issue is housing.

"Shelter is a temporary solution. We need housing," Andere said.

It is telling that many services are provided to the homeless men and women who come to the hypothermia shelters.

Housing advocates continue to press for more affordable housing. It's a goal that is urgent to keep in mind as Fairfax County looks at what is likely to be its last massive growth in development, the increased density and building around the county's coming Metrorail stations.

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EDITORIAL

Protecting Student Loan Rate

Interest rates for student loans will double on July 1 unless Congress acts soon.

BY GERRY CONNOLLY
U.S. REP (D-IL)



Rarely do I attend a gathering that includes Northern Virginia parents or high school and college students where I don't

hear concerns about the rising cost of attending college and the financial strain it puts on so many families. Those concerns are magnified at the moment because interest rates for student loans will double on July 1 unless Congress acts soon to renew the current 3.4 percent interest rate.

I have cosponsored legislation in the House to retain the lower interest rate so today's college students and future students are not weighed down with additional interest debt, equaling about \$1,000 per year, as they strive to repay their loans for years after they graduate. Many young men and women are already struggling with repayment of their student loans for years after they enter the workforce. We shouldn't put an additional financial burden on their shoulders.

The current interest rate for Stafford direct student loans was locked in 2007 when a bipartisan majority in Congress passed the loan bill and President Bush signed it into law. That legislation expires

on July 1 and the rate will jump from 3.4 percent to 6.8 percent on July 1 unless Congress acts to block the increase. Unfortunately, the House majority's Ryan budget plan, which I opposed, specifically includes an increase in the rate.

Late last week, the House Republican leadership reversed itself and pushed through a bill to maintain the lower rate for just one year. Unfortunately, they added a poison pill to the legislation that would cut health screening and prevention programs for women and children, including breast and cervical cancer screenings. This will never make it into law.

If Congress fails to renew the lower interest rate, the ramifications will harm not only 7 million student borrowers nationally, but it also will slow the momentum of our economic recovery from the

worst recession since the Great Depression. In Virginia alone, 177,000 students will face increased financing costs of \$145 million next year. That is on top of the average 8.3 percent increase in college tuition costs last year.

Further increasing out-of-pocket costs for higher education will siphon money away from other activities that stimulate the economy, and it will depress enrollment in our colleges and universities at the very time we need to spur greater interest in higher education and innovation to remain competitive. Already, U.S. colleges and universities rank 27th globally for the number of graduates they turn out with science or engineering degrees.

I am committed in ensuring that Congress stops this rate increase. We cannot afford to scale back the historic investments our nation has made to make college more accessible to students and their families.

I was proud to support increasing the maximum Pell Grant award to the current level of \$5,550, and I opposed the recent House majority budget proposal to cut Pell Grant funding by \$166 billion and reduce benefits for 9 million students. In addition, I was pleased to help pass an increase in the tuition tax credit from \$1,800 to \$2,500. That tax credit alone has helped 4 million low-income stu-

dents and their families achieve their dreams of attending college. Further, I supported legislation to allow qualified borrowers to deduct up to \$2,500 on interest paid on their student loans.

Congress must act soon to preserve the American dream of attending college. Access to higher education is essential for today's young people if they are to succeed in the modern, global economy.

Expanding access to and the affordability of higher education benefits is important not only for our young people and their families, but also for our nation's economic competitiveness and security.

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NEWS

Madison High Places Third at State Scholastic Championships

On the weekend of March 17 and 18, the Madison Chess team played six rounds of outstanding chess at Tysons Corner and took home the 3rd place trophy. Individual trophy winners included Paul Psarakis for 15th place, John Nothaft –best under 1200 rated-player, and Ben Ostapovicz–best under 1000, Raphael Ordonez–Best Unrated.

The Madison team members who contributed to the win at States were Christopher Liu, John Nothaft, Rafael Ordonez, Alec Ostapovicz, Benjamin Ostapovicz and Paul Psarakis.

The team traveled to other schools across Fairfax County System year round competing in the Metro Chess League. With three key seniors graduating it is looking for new members.



Pictured are Paul Psarakis, Christopher Liu, John Nothaft (Captain).

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Choice of Sausage, Scrapple, Bacon or Ham
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- *Tenderloin Steak and Two Eggs, Home Fries and Toast
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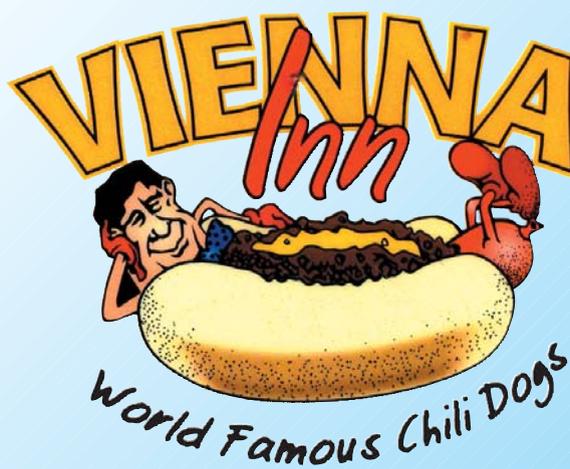
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With cheddar cheese and salsa.
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With peppers, onions, and ham, add cheese (extra).
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- Potato Salad
- Cole Slaw
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- *Filet Mignon 5 oz. tenderloin with mashed potatoes and vegetables.
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- Green Salad
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PHOTOS BY DONNA MANZ/THE CONNECTION

Somehow, these azalea bushes escaped the early-season bloom. They brightened a green palette with color.

Friends Ellen Deeb and Susie Prentice stop in one of the many Windover yards open to the public on April 29.

Walk on the Hill Graced with Sun and Warmth

Community views home gardens, relaxes to music.

The weather was post-card-perfect for the 2012 Windover Heights Walk on the Hill ... heavenly blue skies, a bit of contrail here and there to lend a modern art pattern to the sky. Neighbors strolled and chatted, the Green Hedges Jazz Band and the Vienna Community Band played on an expansive lawn, and Windover homeowners served refreshments. The Old Time Machine performed at the historic cabin on Walnut Lane.

It would have been the perfect spring event had the azaleas not bloomed weeks earlier. Here and there, stalwart azaleas stood their ground. Gardens dotted with lavender flowers compensated for waning azaleas, and one homeowner even showcased restored vintage autos. At Green Hedges School, the Ayr Hill Garden Club sponsored its biennial juried themed flower show.

"We wanted to take a walk today and get inspiration for our gardens," said Susie Prentice, looking over the open yard with her spur-of-the-moment friend Ellen Deeb.

Several residents, such as Gayle Gropper, expressed amazement that they were taking their first Walk on the Hill although they had lived in Vienna for many years. "We



Walkers strolled around the yards that welcomed visitors.

came today because it's a beautiful day, and to walk for health reasons."

The residents of Windover Heights and Historic Vienna, Inc. partner to produce this annual spring event. A welcome touch is the map and brochure volunteers distribute at the Walk. Participating houses – those with "Open yard" signs – are detailed in the brochure, noting architecture and history of the homes, some of which are over 100 years old. The Windover Heights Historic District wends its way along the Windover Street corridor and its quaint side roads.

Jan Beatey and her three friends walked

through yards. "We hope for the beautiful weather like today," said Beatey. "We come to see all the gorgeous gardens."

Every year, a family at Short and Windover streets turns its yard over to the Town of Vienna Department of Parks and Recreation to be used for the band concert. The Town sets up chairs around the shade trees, and the music always draws a crowd.

At 277 Windover, where the refreshment tables were set up, the property's homeowner Lee Curtis was pushing his mother



Windover Heights homeowner Lee Curtis brings his mother, Mary Jean Curtis, to the refreshment tables, which just happened to be set up in front of Lee Curtis's home.

Mary Jean Curtis in a wheelchair. Mary Jean Curtis comes from Arlington every year for the Walk on the Hill. She likes that the streets are closed and the band plays. "It's a real old-time community event where we get to renew acquaintances," said Lee Curtis.

— DONNA MANZ

FAITH

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

St. Francis Episcopal Church, 9220 Georgetown Pike in Great Falls, offers three Sunday services and a host of musical, educational, outreach, and fellowship ministries to enrich spiritual growth. 7:45 a.m. Worship Service without music; 9 a.m. Worship Service, Children's Chapel and Children's Choirs; 10 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Forum; and 11 a.m. Worship Service with Adult Choir. 703-759-2082.

Trinity United Methodist Church, 1205 Dolley Madison Blvd., McLean, Sunday worship services are at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday School for adults is at 9:30 a.m. and for children during the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Youth Group for grades 7-12 meets Sundays at 6 p.m. A 20-minute service of Holy Communion is held each Wednesday at 12 p.m. 703-356-3312 or umtrinity.org.

The Jewish Social Services Agency (JSSA) offers a wide variety of support groups for those with emotional, social, and physical challenges. www.jssa.org/growth-learning.

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

McLean Bible Church Fitness Class at Body & Soul Fitness. Balance is key, energy is renewed and strength is gained. 9:45 a.m. Mondays and Fridays. Free childcare for registered students. bodyandsoul@mcleanbible.org.

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

St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church, 1830 Kirby Road in McLean. The third Sunday service every month at 10:15 a.m. allows children to play active roles in the music and as greeters and ushers. Traditional services are every Sunday at 8:15 and 10:15 a.m.

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

Vienna Christian Healing Rooms, every Saturday, 1-5 p.m., at 8200 Bell Lane. A team of Christians is available to anyone requesting prayer. Free and open to the public. 703-698-9779 or www.viennachristianhealingrooms.com.

Chesterbrook United Methodist Church is at 1711 Kirby Road, McLean. Worship service is at 11 a.m. Sunday school is at 9:30 a.m. for adults and children. Rev. Kathleen Card, Pastor. 703-356-7100 or www.ChesterbrookUMC.org.

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



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Northern Virginia Residents Honored for Volunteer Efforts

Four locals receive Community Champions Awards for Health Care and Social Services to the Community.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE CONNECTION

Four Northern Virginia volunteers were honored for their charitable efforts recently. Edward Shahin of McLean, Marie Markey of Alexandria and Mattie Palmore and Kari Warren of Mt. Vernon received the Molina Healthcare Community Champions Award during a ceremony at the at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center in Fairfax.

"We are pleased to celebrate Marie, Ed, Mattie and Kari — individuals who have made such a positive impact in the lives of others through their selfless work," said Dr. Jean Glossa, medical director of the Fairfax County Community Health Care Network (CHCN) for Molina Healthcare. "Each of their stories is so inspiring, and the work

that they do to better the health and well-being of their communities is so important. It is our pleasure to not only recognize these four winners, but also to be able to support their worthy causes."

Palmore and Warren were honored for their work to support victims of domestic violence through their organization, the Women's Group of Mt. Vernon.

"This award means that the work that we do is not done in vain," said Palmore. "We don't do the work that we do for recognition. We do it to help the victims."

Markey, a volunteer at Annandale Christian Community for Action, is the coordinator and chair for the group's Family Emergency Assistance program. As a retired physical therapist, she also provides free physical therapy for clients at local free clinics.

"I believe that helping people is what one

should do if one has the time and the opportunity," she said. "The 'haves' should help the 'have-nots.'"

Shahin is a senior citizen from McLean who advocates on behalf of other Fairfax County seniors through his volunteer work at Lewinsville Senior Center and as one of the elected members of the McLean Community Center Governing Board.

"We don't do the work that we do for recognition. We do it to help the victims."

— Mattie Palmore, Mount Vernon

"I retired three times," said Shahin. "I was afraid to retire until I could fill my life with worthwhile pursuits. I have taken up causes on behalf of seniors and it is the most worthwhile thing that I have done. I am more proud of this award than any award that I have received for anything in the past because it is giving of myself to help others."



Four Northern Virginia volunteers receive Community Champions Awards for their service to the community. Pictured are: Dr. Jean Glossa of Fairfax County Community Health Care Network; Mattie Palmore and Kari Warren of Mount Vernon; Marie Markey of Alexandria; Ed Shahin of McLean; and Gloria Calderon of Molina Medical Group.

The winners were nominated by community-based organizations and received \$1,000 grants to donate to nonprofit orga-

nizations of their choice. Markey donated her grant to Annandale Christian Community for Action. Shahin gave his to the

McLean Rotary Club Foundation. Palmore and Warren gifted their grant to the Women's Group of Mt. Vernon.

Local Safety Net Clinics Seek a Few Good Doctors

Specialty care physicians and other medical professionals needed to serve low income, uninsured patients.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE CONNECTION

When Marie Markey of Alexandria retired from U.S. Air Force as a physical therapist, she rolled up her sleeves and went to work helping those in need. Markey works as a volunteer twice each week at the Arlington Free Clinic, offering physical therapy to the clinic's low income and uninsured patients.

"The clinic fills a huge gap," said Markey. "We have people who walk in who don't have access to medical care for basic illnesses like high blood pressure and diabetes."

Markey is motivated by a sense of responsibility to give back to the community. "If everyone did their part, the world would be better place," she said. "I had a patient once who was a construction worker. He'd had back surgery and needed physical therapy to recover fully. He didn't have insurance and couldn't afford to pay for therapy. If he hadn't received free therapeutic services to help him re-

cover, he would have lost his job."

NOVA SPECIALTY ACCESS, a project of the Northern Virginia Health Services Coalition is looking for more volunteers like Markey to provide medical services to low-income, uninsured patients from local "safety-net" clinics. The project matches patients with local medical specialists who volunteer their services.

The coalition has reserved several days in May and June for medical professionals, such as specialty care doctors, nurses, and nurse practitioners, to volunteer at Head to Toe Specialty Clinics. The clinics will give patients enrolled at area safety-net clinics an opportunity to receive specialty health care services, including diabetic eye screening, foot care, diabetic nutrition counseling and audiology testing.

"The event is ... an important initiative where community members have the opportunity to get the health screenings they need," said Sterling resident Karen Rudat, nurse manager for Fairfax Community Health Care Network.

Project officials say their most urgent

Volunteers Needed

"Head to Toe" Specialty Clinic for low income, uninsured patients.
♦ Saturday, May 19th: Loudoun Free Clinic, 224-B Cornwall St, Leesburg, Va.

♦ Saturday, June 2nd-2: Community Health Care Network, Bailey's Crossroads - 6196 Arlington Blvd, Falls Church, Va.

♦ Saturday, June 30th: Prince William Area Free Clinic, St. Margaret's Clinic, (also for patients of the Family Health Connection) 13900 Church Hill Drive, Woodbridge, Va.

Two volunteer shifts: 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 11:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Volunteers needed to fill the following slots:

- ♦ Registration Volunteers
 - ♦ Translators
 - ♦ Audiologists
 - ♦ Nursing Volunteers
 - ♦ Podiatrists
 - ♦ Ophthalmologist/Optometrists
- ♦ Volunteers must be 16 years or older. For medical professional roles, volunteers will need a valid Virginia license. On-site orientation provided. To volunteer, email

TO VOLUNTEER CONTACT:
manager@novaspecialtyaccess.org or call (571-) 235-3577

shortage is of physicians: "Our greatest volunteer needs are for audiologists, podiatrists and ophthalmologists," said

Ulrich. "If there are other specialists that come forward, we would add other services as well. The program is ongoing and we're hoping to generate interest even if it is not on these specific dates."

Health care professionals must hold a Virginia license and volunteer in an area that is consistent with their licensure.

VOLUNTEERS ARE CRITICAL to the mission of the clinics.

"We work with a fantastic group of volunteer physicians, mostly specialists. We are so grateful for their generosity as they give their time and talent to increase the quality and access to care," said Dr. Jean Glossa, medical director, Community Health Care Network of Fairfax County and Molina Healthcare. "Without them, I don't know how some of our most vulnerable patients would be able to get the specialty care they need when they need it the most."

Services and availability vary from clinic to clinic. To be eligible for service at the safety-net clinics, patients must be adults who have a household income of 200 percent or less than the federal poverty level and no health insurance. Ulrich suggested that those interested in the services visit <http://novaspecialtyaccess.org> to find a clinic that is right for them.



Alexandria resident, Marie Markey, volunteers her time to low-income uninsured patients at the Arlington Free Clinic. Local safety-net clinics are looking for volunteers particularly specialty care doctors and nurses.

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NEWS



Vienna Volunteer Fire Department super-volunteers Lydia Russo and Becca Wassel welcome guests to the fire department's first annual Taste of Vienna.



Thai food aficionado Will Barnhart was carted around the food festival grounds.

Vienna Specialties on Display

Hundreds enjoyed the food of 30 food vendors before rain hit.

Vienna went on a global food odyssey on April 28 as the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department [VVF] hosted its inaugural Taste of Vienna food festival on fire station grounds. Thirty tented food vendors lined the periphery of the parking lot, and, in the center, canopies covered tables and chairs for eating the myriad of dishes. Taste of Vienna is a first-of-its-kind fundraiser for Vienna's fire department.

Within an hour of its 11 a.m. opening, the grounds were packed with friends and families sampling the offerings, from the exotic to the popular. Watching preparation of dishes, from Tequila Grande's fish tacos and Crepe Amour's strawberry/banana Nutella crepes, to Culinaria's demonstrations of cooking techniques such as that of homemade pasta, was as much a part of the experience as was eating. And there was no question about it, people came to eat. "This is pretty cool," said Mona Jantzi, whose husband, Matt Connor, had been driving by earlier and saw the festival set up. The couple, with their two children, were snacking on Vienna Inn hot dogs and bread-and-dip from Whole Foods. "It's great and we're having a good time."

Shortly after noon, the line waiting at Crepes Amour grew 30 deep. It was worth the wait because you could close your eyes and imagine you were eating crepes bought from a stand in Paris. The chocolate-drenched almond brittle from Sweet City Desserts chased the rain clouds away temporarily; it was



Tracy Wu says she loves crepes. Her friend, Ivan Seigel, recalled that when he was in Paris last summer, crepes like that were everywhere. Wu and Seigel are James Madison High School graduates.

that good.

La Sandia charged nothing for samples of its pork carnita-topped corn masa appetizers. Donato's Pizza, in the spirit of the fundraiser, planned on donating 25 percent of their proceeds to the Vienna fire department.

Vienna Vintners served wine and beer and even supplied heat lamps early on. Musicians performed on-stage, and VVF had planned on airing the Capitals game on a big-screen TV. Rain, however, put a damper – literally – on the festivities when showers shooed customers and many vendors away shortly after 6 p.m. A couple of restaurants sold out by late afternoon.

"We love coming to all these festivals," said Bill Barnhart, visiting from Herndon with his wife, son and daughter. "We like them all, but especially the events benefiting the community."

— DONNA MANZ

NEWS

50th Anniversary for Cuppett Center

In celebration of Founder Alzine Cuppett's 50th Anniversary in business, ballet students from the Cuppett Performing Arts Center will perform a very special full-length ballet, "Golden Gala", on Saturday, May 5, at the beautiful Kenmore Middle School Theater on Carlin Springs Rd. in Arlington. Two performances will be held at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. The program features professional Ballet Master Brian Walker and professional alumna Ballerina, Kathryn Carlson, and will have excerpts from "The Nutcracker," "Cinderella," "Gaité Parisienne," "Coppelia" and "The Sleeping Beauty."

The dance school was started in Cuppett's Vienna home in 1962, and has expanded over the decades to a center where over 700 students study dance each year. Cuppett, a former Rockette and Broadway dancer, was trained by Gene Kelly. She is still an active presence at the Center, while her daughters and other members of her family have made it a true family business.

"I am extremely proud to carry on my mother's legacy, and am continually inspired by our amazing faculty, parents, students," said Amy Cuppett Stiverson, Artistic Director. "Parents have described Cuppetts as a 'home away from home' for their children - my mother has been an inspiration to thousands."

Since 1980, Cuppett Performing Arts Center has been at 135 Park Street, in a studio that grew to 6,500 s.f.

Tickets: \$13 in advance, \$16 at the door, \$11 for seniors and children under 12. Visit CuppettPAC.com or call 703-938-9019 for more info.



Professional ballet master Brian Walker with Caralea Prentice, who will dance the role of Aurora in "Sleeping Beauty."



PHOTOS CONTRIBUTED

Pictured left to right: Caitlin Horan, Molly Walsh, Arisa Smith, Karin Lehnigk, Danielle Fitzpatrick, Caralea Prentice, Catherine Ayres, Elizabeth Broussard, Sophie Bodrog.

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Vienna Photographic Society. 7:30 p.m. Thoreau Middle School, 2505 Cedar Lane, Vienna. Photography lecture with Victoria Restrepo. www.vps-va.org or 703-451-7298.

THURSDAY/MAY 3

"How to Succeed In Business Without Really Trying." 7:30 p.m. James Madison High School, 2500 James Madison Drive, Vienna. \$10-\$12. www.madisondrama.com.
Lupe Fiasco. 8 p.m. George Mason University Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Circle, Fairfax. Tickets \$35-\$45, available at www.ticketmaster.com or 1-800-745-3000. Accessible seating is available for patrons with disabilities by calling 703-993-3035.

Company of Thieves and Chris Merritt And The Dirty Girls. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

FRIDAY/MAY 4

Artists' Reception. 4-9 p.m. Frame Factory, 212 Dominion Road N.E., Vienna. Lisa Neher, Barbara Wagner, Sarah Swart, Jackie Elwell, Elaine Florimonte, and Debbie Glakas in "Six Artists, Once Again." teresa@tlcillustration.com.

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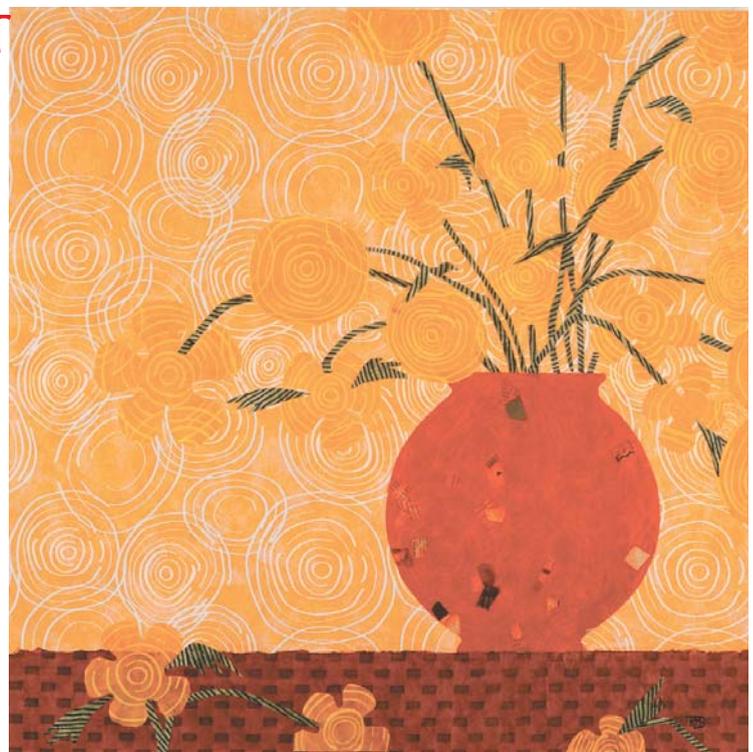
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An Art Affair. 7 p.m. Madeira School, Georgetown Roan, McLean. Art auction and exhibit. Proceeds benefit Freedom in Creation, providing art therapy to children in Uganda.



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GFVFD Celebrates 70 Years of Service. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Great Falls Volunteer Fire Department, 9916 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Family food and fun plus tours of the new eco-friendly fire station. vsingh8651@aol.com.

New Dominion Chorale. 4 p.m. George Mason University Center for the Arts Concert Hall, 4400

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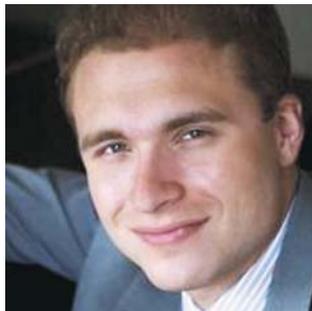


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Living Wreath. 10 a.m. Meadowlark Botanical Gardens, 9750 Meadowlark Gardens Court, Vienna. Create a wreath using annuals on a moss frame. \$30. Reservations required at 703-255-3631.

SUNDAY/MAY 6

Spring Fling. 4 p.m. Oakton High School, 2900 Sutton Road, Vienna. The Main Street Community Band celebrates the arrival of spring as part of Fairfax's "Spotlight on the Arts Festival." Adults \$10, seniors \$5, students free. www.fairfaxband.org.

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Battle of Ox Hill Lecture. 7 p.m. Sully Historic Site, 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly. David Welker on the Sept. 1, 1862 Civil War battle near present-day Fair Oaks. \$5. Register at 703-437-1794.

WEDNESDAY/MAY 9

Jammin' Juniors. 12:30 p.m. McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. Concert for age 2-5 with Vanessa Trien and the Jumping Monkeys. Free. sabrina.anwah@fairfaxcounty.gov.

THURSDAY/MAY 10

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News That's Fit To Print

By KENNETH B. LOURIE



As our Publisher and fellow cancer survivor, Mary Kimm, e-mailed back to me last week: "Who knew 'stable' could be so exciting?"

Yes, 'stable,' as in the results of my most recent diagnostic scan after four heavy-duty chemotherapy infusions; even though I have been diagnosed with stage IV (meaning metastatic, meaning: moved already) lung cancer, nothing much is happening. For the moment, and that moment has now lasted three-plus years, I continue to be, fortunately for me, an anomaly: alive and reasonably well. Can I hear an "Amen!?"

Though I've tried, repeatedly, since June '09 when I first went public, column-wise, and confirmed my diagnosis/prognosis in print, it still remains nearly impossible to articulate exactly what bounces around in the head (figuratively speaking) of an otherwise healthy, then 54-year-old male (now 57), non-smoker, with no immediate-family history of cancer – or of even having ever smoked cigarettes, to be diagnosed with advanced-stage (IV; there is no V) "terminal" lung cancer. However, I continue to try, as you regular readers know. And thanks to the varied feedback I receive: cards, letters, e-mails, books, inclusions on prayer lists, and the expressions of encouragement and support typically contained, I am relatively healthy, in no small measure I believe, to the words and prayers – of hope and faith, directed to me.

Though I didn't start writing these "cancer columns," as I call them, for any greater good – it was simply what interested me, given my circumstances – they have evolved into a kind of cathartic exercise that perhaps has enabled me to still write them, if you know what I mean? If I didn't have this outlet (space) to indulge myself (thank you again, Mary Kimm), and subject you readers to the rigors – both physically and emotionally, of the ongoing struggles of a cancer patient living day by day, and writing about it week by week, I don't suppose I would be so proud of what I've accomplished/what I've endured.

That is not to imply that I have suffered any more than any other cancer patient and/or any other diagnosed-as-terminal patient; in fact, comparatively speaking, I think I've had it pretty easy (other than the reality of it all). Nevertheless, being diagnosed with cancer is all it's cracked up to be, despite one's relative good fortune in managing to outlive their prognosis ("13 months to two years"). I still can't get the characterization "incurable disease" as initially used by my oncologist, out of my head. As such, as good a result as what I recently received, it's still a temporary result, albeit it an amazing/great/miraculous one, but one subject to change, from what I understand. And as much as I want to receive and hear a permanent you're-cured-type of assessment from my doctor, apparently the chances are fairly unlikely. Still, I have to remain satisfied with the "stable" because the "stable" is all it's cracked up to be. And for a terminal patient, when you're no longer stable, generally speaking, you're no longer an anomaly.

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NEWS

Fashion, Fun and Philanthropy

D.C. Chapter of Childhelp Wings holds fashion-show fundraiser.

By MARY GRACE OAKES
THE CONNECTION

On Sunday, April 15, the Washington D.C. Chapter of Childhelp Wings held its seventh annual Fashion Show at the Tysons Corner Bloomingdale's. Co-chaired by Great Falls residents and Childhelp Wings members Debbie Copito and Anjanette Murphy, the event attracted families from all over the D.C. metro area, and benefited the children served by Childhelp, a non-profit organization "dedicated to helping victims of child abuse and neglect through prevention, intervention, and treatment." Childhelp, which was founded in 1959 by actresses Sarah O'Meara and Yvonne Feddersen, has serviced nearly 7 million children since its inception, through the operation of 24/7 National Child Abuse Hotline and the running of nationwide residential treatment "villages."

The "afternoon of fashion, fun, and philanthropy" began with a brunch reception and raffle, after which opening remarks were made by Bloomingdale's General Manager, Julia Palmer, and actress and philanthropist Jen Liley. Liley, who stars as Maxie Jones on General Hospital, spoke of her admiration for the organization and its efforts, saying "child abuse is such a big problem, and it demands a big answer...and I fully believe, with all my heart, that Childhelp is that answer."

Attendees then enjoyed a fashion show hosted by journalist, strategic communicator, and activist, Cynthia Steele Vance, which showcased Bloomingdale's "must-have selection" for the spring season. Working the runway was a mix of professional models and young volunteers from the D.C. branch of Childhelp Wings, "a program designed to inspire, empower, engage and equip youth to join Childhelp in the prevention and treatment of child abuse."

Following the show, Childhelp's co-founders, Yvonne Feddersen and Sarah O'Meara, took to the catwalk in order to "celebrate" Sandra Crippen of Great Falls for her more than two decades of service to the organization. Crippen, who in 1988 became a founding member of the Washington, D.C. chapter of Childhelp, was presented with the "Heart of an Angel" Award for her commitment to the organization's cause. "Every step of the way, through every hill and valley, Sandy and her dear husband Jack were right by our side... They never wavered from their belief in the miracles that are possible when generous hearts come together for the love of a child," Feddersen said.



Dylan Murphy, 14, of Great Falls, works the runway as the audience looks on. Dylan was one of several local children who participated in the fashion show.



Event Co-chairs Debbie Copito and Anjanette Murphy pose for a quick picture with Sandy Crippen (middle), all from Great Falls. Crippen is a recipient of Childhelp's "Heart of an Angel Award."

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Walking the runway in Bloomingdale's "must-have selection" for the spring season was a mix of professional models and young volunteers from the D.C. branch of Childhelp Wings.

Before the day's festivities concluded with a shopping event, guests also heard from Lisa Evans, the director of National Mem-

bership and the Wings Program, and Carol Hebets, "the founding mother of Childhelp Wings."

Oakton Ready for Another Big Postseason

Cougars' girls lacrosse playing at a high level.

BY RICH SANDERS
THE CONNECTION

The Oakton High girls' lacrosse team, along with being talented and experienced, is also playing at a high level at the right time of the spring season with the start of the postseason set to begin this Friday night with opening round games of the six-team Concorde District tournament.

Oakton (9-2), under head Coach Jean Counts, concluded the regular season this past Monday night, April 30 with a 22-6 Concorde District home win over Robinson. Last week, the Cougars played and won three games - a 20-9 district win at Herndon on Tuesday, April 24; an 18-11 Senior Night home win over non-Northern Region opponent Woodgrove High (Loudoun County) on Wednesday, April 25; and a 17-12 district road win at Westfield on Friday, April 27.

The district tournament schedule will consist of quarterfinals round games on Friday. Next Tuesday night, May 8, Oakton will host a district semifinals game at 7. The district title game is scheduled to be played at 5:30 next Friday evening, May 11 at Chantilly High School.

"Our team has been playing well, led by an experienced senior class," said Counts,



Oakton's Kelsey Clarke, with the ball here in last year's state finals versus Madison, has been one of the Cougars' top players this spring.

the team's head coach. "We have had some tough games but have been competitive."

Oakton, which enters the postseason with a five-game win streak, has lost just two games - a 19-6 setback to private school power Georgetown Visitation (Independent School League) in the Cougars' fourth game of the season back on March 26, and a down-to-the-wire 14-13 defeat at the hands of visiting district opponent Centreville High on April 13.

IN DISTRICT PLAY, Oakton was 4-1 this spring with the wins coming at Chantilly 22-15, on April 20, and the more recent wins over Herndon, Westfield, and

Robinson.

Early in the season, Oakton won non-district games over Northern Region opponents Lake Braddock (Patriot District), 20-8, and Langley (Liberty District), 13-10.

Counts said her team has been playing particularly well in recent weeks.

"I feel that we are getting geared up and are preparing well for the post season," she said. "Our district is very solid and every game is a challenge. We have plenty to work on but are finding more consistency and rely on each other more each day that passes."

Ultimately, good team play is the biggest factor to success in the postseason. A year ago, the Cougars played outstanding team



Oakton players Jackie Rupp (2) and Carly Palmucci (18) have played large roles in the Cougars' successful 9-2 season.

lacrosse on way to winning the district tournament title and reaching both the region and state title games where they lost to Madison. Oakton went 8-2 in the 2011 postseason. It defeated Chantilly High in the district championship game.

This year's Oakton squad has also excelled in its team concept mentality. The Cougars' top players, all of whom have play within that team-first mindset, have been Carly Palmucci, Jackie Rupp, Alex Revel, Kelsey Clarke, and Allison Turk.

Senior Emily George has played exceptionally well at the goalie position and the Cougars' defense, a relatively young group, has done a good job in front of her.

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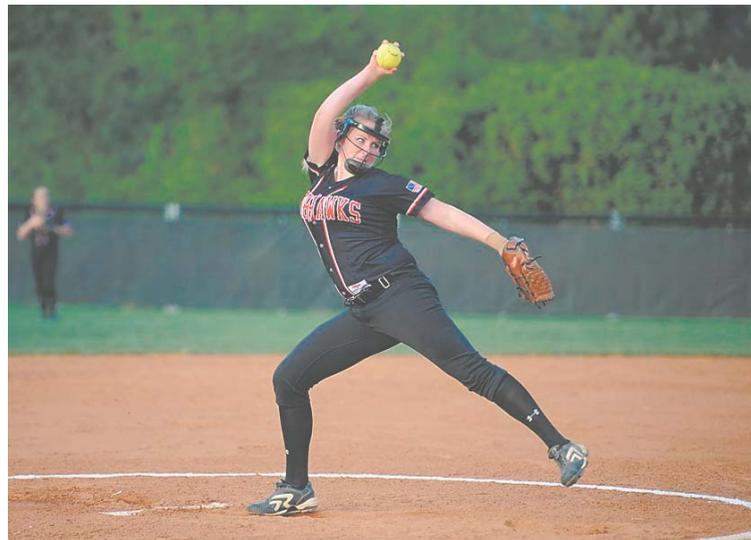
The Madison Warhawks lost a 13-2 decision to Stone Bridge in a Liberty District girls' softball game with first place on the line last Friday night, April 27. The Warhawks, with the setback, saw their eight-game win streak snapped.

Madison jumped out to an early 2-0 lead, scoring two runs in the first inning. But after that, the Bulldogs cruised to the five-inning victory.

Madison sophomore Tori Lipnicky started off the game with a single and freshman Jackie Yahner followed with an RBI triple to give the Warhawks a 1-0 lead in the first. Sophomore Kat Olson then hit a sacrifice fly, scoring Yahner for the Warhawks' second and final run. Brittany Powers had Madison's only other hit on the night.

All in all, it was a night in which Stone Bridge hit the ball extremely well while Madison had a tough game defensively in the field.

Earlier last week, on Tuesday, April 24, the Warhawks edged local and district rival Marshall, 5-4. Madison, in the game at Marshall, jumped out to a 5-0 advantage, but Marshall fought back



Madison pitcher Kelsey Ross earned the decision in the Warhawks' 5-4 win over Marshall.

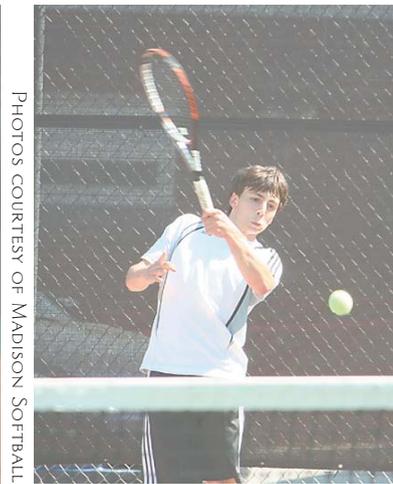
with two runs in both the sixth and seventh innings. The Statesmen had the tying run on base when the contest ended.

Kelsey Ross, Madison's pitcher, went the distance for the Warhawks, giving up two earned runs on three hits while striking out three. Ross was also the star on offense, going 3 for 4 and driving in three of the Warhawks runs.

Elizabeth Fallas also went 3 for 4 on the night. Other Warhawks

with multi-hit games included Ally Grasso (2 for 4, double) and Mary Bolinger (2 for 4). Tori Lipnicky (1 for 4, triple) and Kat Olson (1 for 4) added the Warhawks' other hits.

Defensively, Madison committed three errors which contributed to two unearned runs for Marshall. Kat Olson had an outstanding night in the field, including a high-light reel catch on a foul ball in the fourth inning. Ross also



Senior Matt Bosco plays at No. 4 singles for the Madison High tennis team.

handled six comebackers and turned a double play on a line drive in the fifth.

This week, Madison was scheduled to play district games at South Lakes on Tuesday and at home versus Langley this Friday night.

The Madison High boys' tennis team, in a Liberty District home match on Friday, April 20, defeated Marshall High, 6-3.

The visiting Statesmen gave the

Warhawks a good match and the score was tied at 3-3 following singles play. However, Madison swept the three doubles matches to earn the team win.

Madison was missing its No. 4 and No. 6 singles players, Matt Bosco and Alex Russell, who were on college visits.

The following are the results of the singles matches: Madison's John Adam over Adam Ghazzawi at No. 1; Marshall's Nick Koludrovic over John Nothaft at No. 2; Marshall's Ryan Feenick over Alec Ostapovicz at No. 3; Marshall's Dan Bleykhman over Albert Chang at No. 4; Madison's Aaron Plymack over Stefan Wilkinson at No. 5; and Madison's Gunnar Baskin over David Holmes at No. 6.

Madison swept in doubles with Adam and Baskin defeating Ghazzawi and Koludrovic, 10-6, at No. 1; Nothaft and Ostapovicz defeating Feenick and Bleykhman, 10-5, at No. 2; and Plymack and Alex Dondershine besting Wilkinson and Holmes, 10-5, at No. 3.

Madison, with the team win, improved its season record to 6-3. Marshall's record went to 3-6.



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