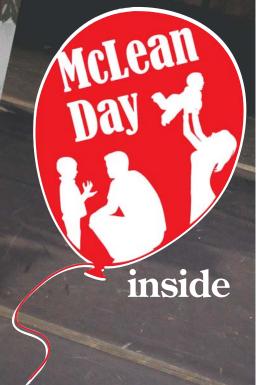
The Snow Queen' At Madeira

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From left, Alexis Unwalla, 18, and Alexie Tochilin, cast members of the Haddad Ballet's performance of "The Snow Queen" to be performed Saturday, May 12 at 2 and 7 p.m. at The Madeira School in McLean.



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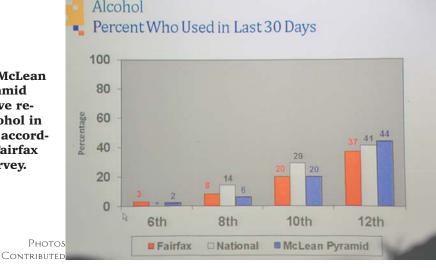
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The numbers of McLean **High School pyramid** students who have reported using alcohol in the last 30 days, according to the 2010 Fairfax **County Youth Survey.**



McLean High Examines Youth Survey Numbers

Students report less bullying, inhalant use, more alcohol, binge drinking than county numbers.

By Alex McVeigh The Connection

he McLean High School PTSA hosted a meeting Wednesday, May 2 to discuss the McLean High School pyramid-specific results from the 2010 Fairfax County Youth Survey. The annual survey, which is filled out by eighth, 10^{th} and 12^{th} graders (as well as a modified version taken by sixth graders) is meant to gather data on student behavior, both positive and negative.

The 2010 survey was taken by more than 44,000 students, representing 86 percent of enrolled students in the sampled grades.

"When it comes to using the data, the Unified Prevention Coalition used it to get an alcohol and drug prevention grant, which will be used county wide,' said Marcus Allen of the county's Department of Neighborhood and Community Service. "The school system has also used the data to get grant money for physical activities and nutrition and the county also

used it to get money for a community transformation grant, which is a county-wide initiative to reduce chronic diseases. So we use this data a lot ... it has probably brought about half a million dollars to the county."

WITHIN THE MCLEAN HIGH SCHOOL PYRA-MID, the survey was taken by 1,225 students: 496 eighth graders, 421 10th graders and 308 12th graders.

Overall, the McLean pyramid numbers were approximately the same or more positive than countywide numbers. Students who reported bullying somebody (16 percent compared to 24 percent in the county), used inhalants (1 percent compared to 4 percent countywide) and depression (14 percent to the county's 23 percent) were all lower in numbers.

According to the numbers, McLean pyramid students also reported a larger acknowledgement of the

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Student musicians (front row) with their parents, supporters and former and current Woman's **Club presidents** Virginia Sandahl (second row) and **Marianne Polito** (third row).



Рнотоз в LAURA SHERIDAN

Musicians and Patrols Get Awards McLean Woman's Club honors middle- and elementaryschool students.

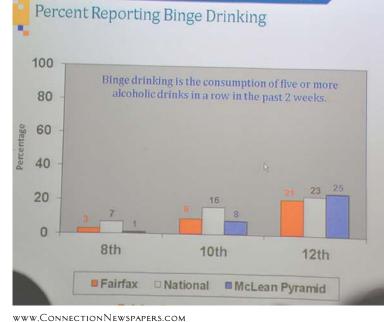
students from Cooper and Longfellow middle schools was recognized by the Woman's Club of McLean at a ceremony on Tuesday, May 1, where the students also performed on their instruments. Kerry McConnaughay and Will Pivik, of Cooper Middle School, played duets for the French horn by Voxman. William Sheridan, of Longfellow Middle School, played Sonata No. 1 for Trombone and Piano, by Galliard, accompanied by music teacher Laura Marchisotto. Jillian Khoo, also of Longfellow school, played the first movement of Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto in E Minor, performing this popular and notably difficult piece in a highly professional manner. She was accompanied on the piano by her father, Bernie Khoo. The four students each received an award of \$100 from the Woman's Club.

Ten students at elementary schools received awards for their significant contributions

he musicianship of four as safety patrol members. The honorees were: David Gralla and Victoria Gralla, of Chesterbrook Elementary; Nour Khachmoune and Mason Liddell, of Churchill Road Elementary; Olivia Dempsey and Liam McMillan, of Franklin Sherman Elementary; Maximilien Engel and Liana Keesing, of Kent Gardens Elementary and Brian Dedell and Anna Marie Harris, of Spring Hill Elementary. In addition to the trophy each student received, the safety patrol program at each school has received an \$80 donation from the Woman's Club for program equipment.

The students' parents and the school principals, music directors and patrol sponsors attended the ceremony, as did Officer Tom Harrington, school resource officer of the Fairfax County Police Department. The award ceremony is an annual event of the Woman's Club of McLean.

— Laura Sheridan



Numbers of McLean High School pyramid students who reported binge drinking in the 2010 Fairfax **County Youth Survey, com**pared with county wide and national results.



William Sheridan with his trombone.



Jillian Khoo performing Mendelssohn.

THE COUNTY LINE Housing Discrimination Alert

Officials step up education, outreach efforts to reach immigrant communities about "fair housing" rights.

By Victoria Ross The Connection

ousing discrimination cases have been on the rise in Fairfax County in the past few years. And the Office of Human Rights and Equity Programs (OHREP), the agency that enforces fair housing laws in the county, is shining a spotlight on the problem through seminars for housing providers, realtors, community groups and other interested parties.

"Sadly, housing discrimination is alive and well and we've seen an uptick in complaints during the past six years," said Kenneth Saunders, executive director of OHREP.

In contrast to national trends, discrimination based on nationality made up 25.6 percent of complaints to the county from 2006 to 2010. In comparison, about nine percent of complaints to Housing and Urban Development (HUD) fall under this category.

Although discrimination based on race remains an issue, Saunders reports that in recent years he has seen an increase in the number of complaints received by his office that are related to national origin or involve disability-related issues.

"If you're still thinking this is only about color and race, you're way behind the curve...more recently, there has been an increase in discrimination cases involving national origin and disability related issues," Saunders said.

DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS,

Saunders said, are not filed by one particular group. "It runs the gamut. We have complaints from Latin Americans, Asians and Pacific Islanders, as well as individuals from the Continent of Africa."

During the past decade, Fairfax County has become more diverse. Today, 48 percent of county residents are ethnic or racial minorities, and in 2009, one-third of new residents were immigrants.

"In Fairfax County we consider our diversity to be one of our greatest assets," said Fairfax County Board of Supervisor's Chairman Sharon Bulova (D-At-large). "It is so important for us to make sure the rights of our minority communities are respected."

When it comes to complaints related to disabilities, the problem matches state trends. In Fairfax County, these complaints accounted for 28.4 percent of cases from 2006 to 2010. Similarly, disability-related discrimination comprised 27 percent of complaints to the Virginia Fair Housing Office in 2010.

When it comes to disability-related issues, the county's housing stock may contribute in part to the problem. Three-quarters of the county's housing was built prior to 1990.

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From left, Steven Paikin, a HUD official; Patricia Stephan-Fawcett, with the County's Office of Human Rights and Equity Programs (OHREP); Kenneth Saunders, executive director of OHREP, and Ernest Dawson, a HUD official, attended a Fair Housing Conference/Training Session in April for housing providers, realtors and others providing housingrelated services hosted by OHREP.

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> — Kenneth Saunders, executive director of OHREP

The Fair Housing Act was amended in 1988 to include disability as a protected class. Fair Housing Accessibility Requirements for new multi-family buildings did not go into effect until 1991, and many of the existing structures were not originally built to meet modern-day requirements.

Although many cases may go unreported, conservatively there are four million incidents of housing discrimination in the U.S. per year, according to estimates by the National Fair Housing Alliance.

In addition to its education and outreach activities, OHREP investigates and enforces fair housing laws through the Human Rights Commission. The agency also investigates complaints related to employment, public accommodations, education and credit. In addiords, a Saunders said WHAT HAPI a complaint? OHREP ha

Saunders said his staff does a significant amount of education and outreach to communities with limited English proficiency. Brochures detailing rights and how to file a complaint are published in six languages – Spanish, Arabic, Chinese, Korean, Vietnam-

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During a Fair Housing Conference last month, Kenneth Saunders (center), executive director of OHREP, presents Thomas Perez, Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights with U.S. Department of Justice, with a Fair Housing poster created by a Centreville High School student.

ese and Amharic, the second most-spoken Semitic language in the world, after Arabic, and the official language of Ethiopia

"Some landlords are uninformed about relevant fair housing laws, which is why we have a proactive education and outreach program for both sides – leasing agents landlords, and prospective tenants," Saunders said.

WHAT HAPPENS when the office receives a complaint?

OHREP has 11 full-time investigators, most of whom are attorneys who are juggling 35-45 cases at any given time. When someone makes a discrimination complaint, both parties are given the option to participate in mediation. If mediation doesn't resolve the issue, the investigation continues.

County Ordinance

Under the County's Human Rights Ordinance, it is illegal to discriminate and deny housing based on:

- ✤ Race♦ Color
- Color
 National Origin
- Religion
- Sex
 - Familial Status (families with children under the age of 18, or who are expecting a child)
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- Disability (if you or someone close to you has a disability)
- Age (age 55 or older)
 Marital Status

For more information about how to file a complaint or to become educated about protections under the Fair Housing Act, contact the Office of Human Rights and Equity Programs at 703-324-2953, TTY 03-324-2900 or www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ohrep/hrd

"A large percentage of our cases are resolved through mediation and conciliation, where both parties agree to meet and settle complaints," Saunders said. "It is very rare for one of our cases to go to court." Saunders said there's usually a paper trail to give investigators enough evidence to determine if a case has merit.

While some cases involve blatant discrimination, others are more nuanced, a matter of one or more parties not understanding the law.

For example, in April 2010, a Fairfax County woman filed a complaint with the OPEHR alleging discrimination based on her disability, which required a dog as an "emotional support animal."

The property manager of the rental apartments where the woman lives told her that the association has a "no pets" rule. According to the property manager, the woman did not provide any details that showed the dog had been trained as a "service animal," and asked her to leave within a month if the dog remained in the apartment.

However, there's a crucial legal difference between animals governed under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) which requires animals to be trained so they can be out in public - and animals governed by the Fair Housing Act (FHA), said Patricia S. Fawcett, a human rights specialist and attorney with OHREP.

"Under the Fair Housing Act, you have to demonstrate that you are disabled and that you have a need for an emotional support animal that's connected to your disability," Fawcett said, stressing that even if there is a "no pet" policy, a person still has a right to have an emotional support animal living with him or her under the FHA.

The confusion in this case is not uncommon among property managers.

"This was an opportunity for education... In fact, I was educated about this when the complaint was filed, and I contacted HUD for guidance," she said. "There's a lot of confusion out there with housing providers and the public about what's protected and allowed under the Fair Housing Act, and what the ADA allows and requires."

In this case, an OHREP fair housing outreach and education specialist provided free training to the property manager, and the woman was able to keep the dog in her apartment.

"The important point here is to know your rights under the Fair Housing Act," Fawcett said.

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Youth Survey Numbers Examined

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risks involved with alcohol, marijuana and cigarette use than the county as a whole.

Dede Bailer of the county's School Psychological Services, said there were some disturbing trends in the alcohol data.

"We're looking at 50 percent of students who think

it's not wrong at all and seeing as they're all underage, we really need to look at that risk," she said. "Twenty percent of our sixth graders said they had more than a 'sip or two' of beer wine or liquor in their lifetime."

However, seniors at McLean reported higher alcohol use in the past 30 days (44 percent to the county's 37 percent), higher instances of binge drinking (25 percent to 21 percent) and marijuana use in the last 30 days (22 percent to 19 percent).

McLean High School Principal Deborah Jackson said she has noticed trends in recent years as well.

"The number of students I've had to recommend for expulsion in ninth and 10th grades for marijuana possession is the highest I've ever seen," she said.

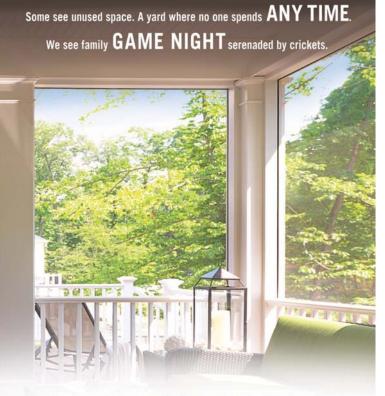
"It's up to parents to have open an honest conversations with their kids, no one can afford to say 'it's not my child.""

WILMA BOWERS, A PTSA OFFICER, said while there are concerning numbers that the schools need to address, she wanted to make sure people also saw the positive.

"When you look at the slides, try turning them upside down. Yes, 44 percent of our 12th graders are regretfully "It's up to parents to choosing to drink alcohol. It's illegal, it's not good for your brain have open an honest and body. But 56 percent are conversation with choosing not to," she said. "Let's celebrate the 56 percent, and let's their kids, no one share this data with our kids. I shared it with my daughter and can afford to say 'it's her friend and for them to hear that 56 percent aren't drinking not my child." was encouraging to them. Let's encourage our kids to be a part - McLean High School of the chart that chooses to expe-**Principal Deborah Jackson**

> Jackson said that she attends PTSA meetings, and that these numbers, as well as other trends are discussed and encouraged all parents to come to the monthly meetings. The next McLean PTSA meeting will take place May 14 at 7 p.m. at the McLean High School Library.

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SATURDAY/MAY 12

Fairfax CASA Information Session. 11 a.m. Tysons-Pimmit Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. Fairfax Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) information session. 703-273-3526 ext. 22 or ekosarin@casafairfax.org

TUESDAY/MAY 15

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Safe Assured Identification Kits for Children. 12-4 p.m. City of Fairfax Police Headquarters, 3730 Old Lee Highway. Parents receive a full-color photo ID and a mini-CD with digital

fingerprints, a digital photo, video showing movement and mannerisms, a general physical description, vital personal information, and a family codeword. Private information is encrypted and is accessible only by law enforcement personnel. Free. Appointments required at 703-385-7966. PIO@Fairfaxva.gov.

- Five Hills Garden Club. 10 a.m. Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park St., Vienna. Meets third Tuesday of every month. 703-988-9324 or mariansanders@cox.net
- Capital Area Franchise Fair. 12:30-5 p.m. The Tower Club, 8000 Towers Crescent Drive, Suite 1700, Vienna. Workshops and a Resource Fair to educate aspiring entrepreneurs about some of the non-conventional options

in franchising. \$35-\$45. Register at franchiseexpo2012.eventbrite.com.

FRIDAY/MAY 18

Cat Adoptions. 6:30-8:30 p.m. PetSmart, 8204 Leesburg Pike, Vienna. Every Friday. Sponsored by Lost Dog & Cat Rescue Foundation. www.lostdogrescue.org

THURSDAY/MAY 24

Fairfax County presents Legal Tools for Caregivers. 7 p.m. Thomas Jefferson Library, 7415 Arlington Boulevard, Falls Church. Free. Register at 703-324-5205, TTY 711, www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/ olderadultservices or caregiver@fairfaxcounty.gov.







OPINION Transparency, Technology and Tolls

With E-Z Pass transponder on the windshield, you should know what you're about to pay; whatever it is, it's going up.

in Northern Virginia who already have an E-Z Pass transponder, when the HOT-Lanes open on the Beltway, there will be pressure for many more drivers to subscribe.

VDOT is now proposing to tack on an additional \$1 a month fee for each

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is per transponder, not per account, so in a household with

E-ZPass transponder. Note that

multiple cars and multiple transponders, the additional annual charge could be \$36, \$48 or \$60. There are 900,000 transponders in use in

Virginia now, with an expected need for more than 400,000 more coming with the new I-495 Express Lanes.

Driving through the E-ZPass lane on the Dulles Toll Road without stopping while cars without a transponder line up to slog through is one advantage. The two other places one can use the E-ZPass

espite the high number of drivers in Northern Virginia are the Dulles Greenway and. soon, the "express lanes" on the Beltway.

One of the disadvantages of using the E-ZPass is that you seldom know how much you are paying, and it's significant. Signs with full information about tolls are few and far between, and so far nonexistent on some roads.

Motorists will need an E-ZPass transponder to ride in the Beltway express lanes. Vehicles with three or more people will be able to drive in the express lanes for free if they have a Flex transponder which has a switch that identifies carpoolers, but which also costs more than a regular transponder.

It is worth noting that 100 percent of the tolls from the Beltway HOT-lanes will be collected by the private company that is building them, without any revenue sharing with the Commonwealth. If it is really VDOT's responsibility to maintain the system to collect those tolls, then that is a failure in the crafting of

the contract to build the lanes. Apparently all E-ZPass account holders will be paying for the contractor's collection of funds.

Meanwhile, we're still not sure what it will cost to drive in the express lanes, but we do know that the amount will vary depending on traffic. We can only hope that signs will make it clear how much it will cost.

Today VDOT approved four new signs for the Greenway that will at least let drivers know how much they are paying. The answer is more than \$5 each way, not counting the new fee per transponder.

VDOT will not hold public hearings on this, although it should. It will be accepting emailed comments. Visit www.virginiadot.org/e-zpass or submit comments directly to vdotinfo@vdot.virginia.gov.

> — Mary Kimm, MKIMM@CONNECTIONNEWSPAPERS.COM

Ordinary Heroes

By Megan Man SOPHOMORE/TJHSST

When most people hear the word "hero," they think of the man with tights and a cape.

People expect heroes to make the quick change into their alter ego, and swoop in from the sky just in the nick of time to save the day from disaster. Growing up in McLean, I've been intrigued by the superheroes fighting off the bad guys in comic books. Internally, I cheered as the city was safe for another day. Tying a cape around my shoulders, I would pretend to be Superman, activating my laser vision on all in my sight, or the mighty Thor, waving around my hammer of gold. I have yet to see someone in McLean swoop in from the skies, or possess the Odinforce. However, I have seen some

pretty remarkable superheroes.

The heart of the CIA pulses in the Langley area of McLean. Men and women in business suits scurry in and out of the building with an air of mystery. The fortress, famed for its secrecy, is evidence of the well oiled machine of the government. America's Batmen and Batwomen – the CIA agents, are saving the world that we see whizzing by under our noses. These men and women are resolving conflict, and, in many cases, are risking their lives. They have to sacrifice time with their families to commit to their jobs, and ultimately, their country.

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not understand what I was trying to do," explains former Director of the Office of Science and Technology Albert Wheelon in an interview about his involvement with the CIA during the Cold War.

Take a leisurely drive through the suburban streets of McLean, and you'll occasionally see cloth banners hanging on the front doors of houses. A blue star printed on a white background with a red border running along its sides, merely the size of a sheet of paper, holds the basis of which this country was founded upon. Growing up, I would pass those houses and think "Oh, what a nice decoration." I was unaware that the families of those serving in the military would hang those banners as a physical representation of the sacrifices that would be made in wars so far away from my sheltered bubble. For many residents of McLean, conflicts seem so far away. We see it on the news every night, and think "Oh dear, I can't believe that people are dying." The moment you pass those banners is when you come to the sudden realization of how real the consequences are on the frontlines in comparison to our mundane lives. Soldiers aren't just people who get shipped off to con-

flicts; they're our neighbors.

We can't forget about our local heroes – the ones on call day in and day out. Who do we call in a medical emergency? Who do we see annually at McLean Day, educating the community about what they do? The volunteer fire and police departments, as well as the emergency medical services play a critical role in our everyday lives, whether we take note of it or not. My earliest memory of McLean Day was climbing into a red fire truck. My mouth was agape as my toddler self was floored in wonder at the shiny metal and the fire hose. The firemen and firewomen make a conscious effort to reach out and educate society about fire safety. The police department also lends out a hand to the community of education. I remained giddy with excitement as I sat through a presentation by a police officer at my elementary school. I still remember racing home with a plan to share with my family all that the police taught us on what to do in emergency situations. These volunteer heroes don't just carry out their duties in a mediocre fashion, but go above and beyond their calling.

The most overlooked heroes are right next to you. You see them in the grocery store, in the library. Without its volunteers, McLean would not be the progressive suburb that it currently is. People willing to give their time to straighten up bookshelves, or help at a children's program save not only money for the organization, but their acts of kindness resonate

throughout the community. Say, for example, someone volunteers at a program designed for disabled children. The program has volunteers care for the children, so that the parents could have a day off. Long term effects include the parents being able to fully contribute to create a healthy

community. A task as mundane as helping straighten up the bookshelves at the library could be an act of graciousness. Who knows? Maybe seeing a library with organized and straightened bookshelves

could encourage people to return to the library to read.

A hero needn't be a member of the CIA, or have to fight battles overseas. Take a look at Captain America. He started out as the scrawny Steve Rogers, a military brainiac. Everyone else around him had the capacity to crawl through barbed wire, or had the ability to execute countless pushups. And yet none of them were willing to sacrifice themselves and cover the grenade before it blew up their troop mates. All except Steve Rogers. Eventually, he would continue on to save the world from destruction. Do you ever think, "I'm just a human, how could I ever be special?"

Are there times when you feel as if you're just slugging through yet another nine to five workday, only to come home too tired to do anything useful? Remember the heroes of McLean – the sacrifices that they have made, and how it didn't take much to save the world.



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News

McLean Student Named Presidential Scholar

.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan announced the selection of Priya Krishnan of McLean, who attends Thomas Jefferson High School for Science & Technology in Alexandria, as a 2012 U.S. Presidential Scholar.

Krishnan is one of 141 outstanding American high school seniors that have demonstrated outstanding academic achievement, artistic excellence, leadership, citizenship, service, and contribution to school and community. The U.S. Presidential Scholars will be honored for their accomplishments in Washington D.C., from June 16-19.

The White House Commission on Presidential Scholars, appointed by President Obama, selects honored scholars annually based on their academic success, artistic excellence, essays, school evaluations and transcripts, as well as evidence of community service, leadership, and demonstrated commitment to high ideals.

The 2012 Presidential Scholars comprise one young man and one young woman from each state, the District of Columbia and Puerto



Priya Krishnan

Rico, and from U.S. families living abroad, as well as 15 chosen at-large and 20 Presidential Scholars in the Arts. Since 1983, each Presidential Scholar has been offered the opportunity to invite his or her most inspiring and challenging teacher to the annual ceremony where they are honored with a Teacher Recognition Award from the U.S. Department of Education.

The teacher chosen for recognition by Krishnan was Judith Bello of Thomas Jefferson High School for Science & Technology in Alexandria.



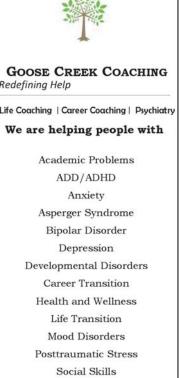
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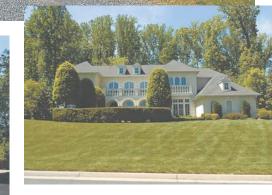
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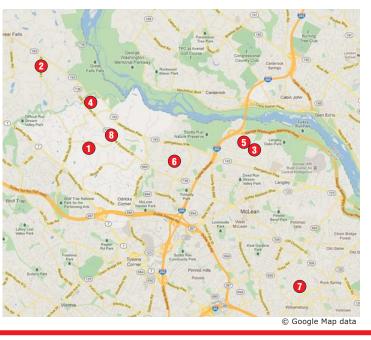
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Home Life Style

A kaleidoscopic landscape encourages lounging outdoors. David Watkins of Merrifield Garden Center says such spaces are created with vibrantly colored planters and vivid flowers like knockout roses and endless summer hydrangeas.



Photo courtesy of Merrifield Garden Center

The Best Seats Outside the House

Local designers offer tips for creating a spectacular patio or deck.

> By Marilyn Campbell The Connection

arm weather means more time spent lounging by the pool or grilling on the patio. A winterworn outdoor space can make popular warm weather pastimes less than appealing.

Creating a space that provides both comfort and style can be a daunting undertaking. Local designers are offering suggestions for creating a luxurious retreat fit for relaxing or outdoor entertaining.

When a home's interior flows effortlessly into its outdoor surroundings, a patio or deck becomes an extension of the house. "Accessories are now focused on bringing indoor luxuries outside," said McLean-based designer Shanon Munn of Ambi Design Studio in McLean. "Outdoor furniture is now made larger and more comfortable, and outdoor fabrics are more beautiful than ever. We're really able to match the outside more closely to a home's interior."

Lamps, mirrors and even chandeliers are among the trendiest alfresco accents. Outdoor rugs deliver an instant elegant impact. "Another nice luxury is an outdoor articulating fan," said Munn. "Those work twofold. They keep

you and your guest cool and keep mosquitoes away."

INDULGENCE WAS THE THEME on a Potomac patio designed by Jim Rill, principal of Rill Architects. He furnished the space with kitchen appliances and a television, all built for outdoor use, and topped it with a stained wood ceiling. "It's like having a living room outdoors," said Rill. "The spaces are connected to the outside, while also protected from the



Trendy alfresco accents like outdoor lamps, mirrors and even chandeliers can help make a patio or deck feel like an extension of a home's interior. McLean-based designers Shanon Munn and Amanda Welch, of Ambi Design Studio, incorporated these elements into the master deck of the D.C. Design House.

away." elements."

When designing the patio of an Alexandria home, Landscape architect Stephen Wlodarczyk of Botanical Decorators incorporated flowers in bursts of color. "I see the use of bold colors being the trend," he said. Wlodarczyk said that growers are developing "de-

signer" flowers in hues that span the color spectrum.

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Home Life Style Patio with 'European Feel'

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He has a penchant for coneflowers, which bloom throughout the summer and come in varieties with names like hot lava, gumdrop and Maui sunshine.

David Watkins, a Fairfax Station resident and manager of Merrifield Garden Center in Fairfax, Gainesville and Merrifield agrees that brightly colored blooms pack a powerful punch. "We're adding vibrant colors to landscapes with flowers like knockout roses and endless summer hydrangeas," he said.

The trend extends to patio furniture. "We're going from patio umbrellas and chair cushions in browns and blacks to colors like magenta," said Watkins.

TO MAKE A PATIO or deck child-friendly, Nancy Towmey, principal designer of Finnian's Moon Interiors, an Alexandria-based firm, suggests weatherproof storage ottomans and child-sized tables and chairs. "Kids like to be comfortable just like everybody else," she said. "Ottomans a great for holding their toys."

Don't skimp when it comes to quality. "I would encourage people to buy something decent. It is usually worth the money to invest in something decent," she said.

Gina Benincasa, landscape designer with D&A Dunlevy Landscapers, Inc. says that when building



When building this McLean patio, designers with D&A Dunlevy Landscapers combined stone and foliage. "Trendier patios are now very detailed," said landscape designer Gina Benincasa.

the patio of a McLean home recently, her team paid particular attention to the foundation. "Trendier patios are now very detailed and use all different kinds of stone like limestone and travertine stone," she said. "Adding a pebbled mosaic as part of the patio or in some cases the whole patio is really decorative and can give it a European feel."



Tremendous value! Family dream home in one of McLean's premier neighborhoods - The Reserve (a gated community with 24-hour security). Situated on 1.3 private acres, this elegant colonial is located on a quiet cul-de-sac. Two-story entryway invites you into sun-filled rooms and amenities. Large kitchen with oversized island opens to expansive family room with 2 levels of windows. Spacious master retreat, office with built-in bookshelves and cabinets, sun room with vaulted ceiling, and much more. Finished lower level opens to large flat backyard and boasts large living area, gym, bonus room, bedroom, full bath and custom built 20-foot bar - perfect for entertaining and a must see! One of the largest tree filled level yards in The Reserve, with ample room for pool and tennis/sport court.

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"I'm Fine"

By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Mostly. All things considered, and as a stage IV (terminal) lung cancer patient, it's impossible – for me, to not consider all things

What I'm considering in this column is how - and why - I typically respond to wellmeaning inquiries regarding my health. Generally speaking, I'm not going to give any in-depth answers to most people who ask. I am happy to provide a relatively curt, but courteous answer. I'm not inclined (nor do I feel the need) to give any unsuspecting - or even a suspecting and sincere questioner, both barrels: diagnosis, prognosis, appointments, scan results, treatment protocol, etc. It's "T.M.I." It's not that I'm uncomfortable or even unwilling - or unable to respond in this kind of detail, it's more that I'm unenthusiastic. I'd really rather, unless compelled by a particularly persistent person, to not bother/ bore anybody with chapter and verse about how I got to where I am. It's not exactly that I don't feel it's anybody's business (obviously I do, given the content of my weekly column), it's more that I'm selfish, sort of. My delusion is, the less I talk about having cancer, the less serious my circumstances are. It's a reworked version of George Costanza's advice to Jerry Seinfeld on how to beat a lie-detector test: "It's not a lie, if you believe it." If I don't blather on about it (having cancer), it's not that serious. Alternatively, the more I talk about it, the more believable it becomes and the more inevitable are the consequences. If I don't give it life (by talking about it), perhaps it dies and I don't.

Don't get me wrong, I will talk about having cancer (I certainly write about it enough), but it doesn't really bring me the kind of joy that most opportunities to talk about oneself generally do. Oh sure, I have a pretty good story to tell; having outlived my original prognosis by years, but perhaps the less said, the better. Sometimes I feel as if I'm flying under the radar and the fact that I was diagnosed with incurable, stage IV lung cancer in February, 2009 has slipped through the cracks somehow and been forgotten. To that end, as much as possible – in public, I try not to dwell on having cancer. I have it. Next. If I don't publicize it, maybe I don't hasten its apparently delayed effect.

There's so much that goes on, psychologically – in my head, when it comes to having cancer. Accepting it is one thing – which I've done, but being victimized by it is quite another and something I will not allow. Of course I have some physical issues that prevent me living a "normal" life, but I view them more as opportunities to make the best of a bad situation rather than making the worst of it. Where's the future in that? There isn't, at least in my strategic plan. And though I joke about pretending and being in denial about having cancer; the truth is, I'm quite comfortable with my circumstances – and my attitude. I really am "fine" with all of it.

Sometimes, most times in fact, I'd simply rather not talk about it. I'd rather talk about something else, anything else. It's actually therapeutic to do so. Thanks for asking though, but not for the reason you might think. Oddly enough, though it's a question I realize will be asked, as often as not, it provides me an opportunity to give an answer that you might not expect: it's not always about me, and it shouldn't be, in spite of my circumstances. Life goes on – for all of us, and that's what interests me.

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

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Week in McLean

Comstock to Host Fundraiser for Wolf

Delegate Barbara Comstock (R-34) will be holding a fundraiser on May 21 from 6 to 8 p.m. at her home in McLean for Congressman Frank Wolf. Local women business and community leaders will be joining her for this event to benefit the campaign of our local Congressman.

For additional information about the event, contact: Joann Landry at 703-817-9691 or joannlandry@wolfforcongress.com

Fundraiser for SHARE at Pulcinella

A fundraiser for SHARE, Inc. has been announced by Karen Briscoe and Lizzy Conroy of the Huckaby Briscoe Conroy Realty Group. The event will be Monday, May 14, 2012 from 5 to 8 pm at Pulcinella Italian Host in McLean at 6852 Old Dominion Drive. Come enjoy dinner and know that approximately 60 percent of everything spent on food and drink will go to the charity as long as the diner brings the flyer about the event. Contact HBC Realty Group at 703-734-0192 to find out how to receive a flyer.

SHARE, Inc. is a non-profit, nonsectarian, all-volunteer community relief organization helping people in need in McLean, Great Falls and the Pimmit Hills area for over 40 years. SHARE is supported by our area

churches and synagogues, civic and community groups, local businesses, and interested individuals.

This is the second such event established by the HBC Realty Group. The purpose of the Community Charity Champions is to support local charities in fund raising.

Sponsors of the event are: Karen Briscoe and Lizzy Conroy with the HBC Realty Group, Richard Moroscak with Southern Trust Mortgage, Marcus Simon with EKKO Title, Moe Jebali with Pulcinella Italian Host and Frank Vorndran with MorganStanley SmithBarney. Call 703-734-0192 for more information.

Concert for SHARE

To collect donations for SHARE, Charles Wesley UMC is inviting members of the community to a special musical concert from 4- 5:30 p.m., Saturday, June 16, 2012 at Charles Wesley United Methodist Church (6817 Dean Dr., McLean). People can donate food and hygiene/household supplies, grocery cards, and funds at the concert. Family friendly vocal and instrumental groups from local organizations and Charles Wesley will perform.

Call the church office, 703-356-6336, Monday—Thursday between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. if you have any questions.

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THURSDAY/MAY 10

Candyrat Guitar Night with Trevor Gordon Hall, Sergio Altamura, Owen Van Larkins and Pino Forastiere. 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

FRIDAY/MAY 11

An Evening with The Avett Brothers. 8 p.m. George Mason University Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Circle, Fairfax. \$39, available at www.ticketmaster.com or 1-800-745-3000. Accessible seating is available for patrons with disabilities at 703-993-3035.

- Melanie at 7:30 p.m.; Square Trio CD Release Party and Irresponsible at 10 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. www.janmminjava.com.
- **"The Happy Movie."** 7 p.m. Unity of Fairfax Church, 2854 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton, 703-300-1857
- Road, Oakton. 703-300-1857. **A Studio Rep Production: Make 'em Laugh.** 8 p.m. McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. "Sure Thing" and "The Philadelphia" by David Ives, "An Ongoing Examination of the True Meaning of Life" by S.W. Senek and "Penitent," an original play by Samantha Downey. Presented by Studio Rep, a company of local high school students. For age 12 and up. \$10-\$15.

sabrina.anwah@fairfaxcounty.gov.

SATURDAY/MAY 12

Fairfax Symphony Orchestra. 8 p.m. George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax.

- With pianist Adam Golka. Britten's Sinfonia da Requiem, Debussy's La Mer, Ravel's Concerto for the Left Hand, and Elgar's Enigma Variations. Free pre-concert discussion for ticketholders at 7 p.m. Tickets \$25-\$55. info@fairfaxsymphony.org.
- Northern Virginia Chapter, International Plastic Modelers Society Model Classic 2012. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Fairfax High School, 3501 Rebel Run, Fairfax. Museum quality scale models, a modeling contest consisting of over 80 categories, model kit, book and

categories, model kit, book and supplies vendors. Raffle prizes, Make & Take event for children, doll houses, Lego, HO and N scale model railroads, radio control models and more. Food concession on site. \$8 adults, \$10 entire family. www.novaipms.org.

- **Celebrate Communication 2012.** 10 a.m.-3 p.m. George Mason University's Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. The area's premier expo for the deaf and hard of hearing communities, with 50+ exhibitors on all topics relating to deafness and hearing loss, including the latest in hearing assistive technologies and wireless technologies. Free.
- boleary@nvrc.org. Children's Show: Dirty Sock Funtime Band. 10:30 a.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.
- Washington Area Folk Harp Society Concert. 7:30 p.m. Knox Presbyterian church, 7416 Arlington Blvd., Falls Church. "The Harp goes

to Appalachia," with the Heatherwood Harp Ensemble, Sue Richards, Barbra Bailey Bradley and the Alfano String Quartet and Mimi McNeel. \$15, seniors and students \$10. www.wafhs.org.

- Great Falls Garden Club Plant Sale and Flower Show. Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Plant sale 9 a.m.-1 p.m., flower show 1-4 p.m. Free admission. 703-759-3130 or joanburkgren@cox.net.
- Great Falls Citizens Association 3rd Annual Walk along the Potomac River. 1 p.m. Fraser Preserve, 101 Springvale Road, Great Falls. See some of the largest trees in Virginia, led by Tree Commissioner Bob Vickers. See marshes, woodlands, a variety of birds and more. Free. Wear good walking shoes and bring a water bottle. bcanis@yahoo.com.
- Victorian Hanging Baskets. 10 a.m. Meadowlark Botanical Gardens, 9750 Meadowlark Gardens Court, Vienna. Fill moss-covered baskets with a variety of foliage and flowering plants. \$30. Pre-payment required at 703-255-3631.
- Plant Clinic hosted by the Master Gardeners. 10 a.m. Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. Answers to gardening questions. Adults. 703-790-8088.
- A Studio Rep Production: Make 'em Laugh. 8 p.m. McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. "Sure Thing" and "The Philadelphia" by David Ives, "An Ongoing Examination of the True Meaning of Life" by S.W. Senek and "Penitent," an original play by Samantha Downey. Presented by Studio Rep, a company of local high school students. For age 12 and up.

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- sabrina.anwah@fairfaxcounty.gov. Starshine Theater: Folk Tales USA. 7 p.m. The Grange Theater, 9818 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Starring local students. Reception follows. Reserve at 703-790-9050 or Pat@StarshineTheater.com. The Snow Queen, A Two Act
- **Children's Ballet.** 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Madeira School, 8328 Georgetown Pike, McLean. Presented by the Studio of Classical Ballet. Tickets: Adults \$20, seniors and studenst \$18, children \$15. 703-759-3366.
- Church Yard Sale. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Charles Wesley United Methodist Church, 6817 Dean Drive, McLean. Hot dog lunch served mid-day. Sponsored by the United Methodist Men of Charles Wesley UMC. www.charleswesleyumc.org.
- Bids Benefiting Kids Concert at 1:30 p.m.; An Evening with David Lindley at 7:30 p.m.; In The Lobby Bar with SNRG presents "Simple Variety" at 10 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. www.janmminjava.com.

SUNDAY/MAY 13

- Clarinetist Robert Patterson and Pianist Audrey Andrist. 3 p.m. Alden Theatre, McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. The Bernstein Clarinet Sonata, the Brahms Clarinet Sonata No. 2, Debussy's Premiere Rhapsodie and more. Free. 703-620-9535 or 703-324-8344.
- **Songs of Mothers From the Bible.** 5 p.m. Christ the King Lutheran Church, 10550 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. An original cantata by Jane R. Cooper. Donations accepted

to benefit African women with HIV and AIDS. 703-795-6068.

- **Breakfast Buffet.** 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Vienna American Legion, 330 Center St, N, Vienna. Adults \$8, children \$3. Omelets, scrambled eggs, blueberry pancakes, bacon and more. Open to the public. 703-938-6580.
- Alleghany St., Dan Fisk, Crossover 757 and Brian Franke at 1:30 p.m.; Garrison Starr CD Release Show and Erick Baker at 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. www.janmminjava.com.

MONDAY/MAY 14

John Parr (St. Elmo's Fire) and Anthony Da Costa. 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. www.janmminjava.com.

TUESDAY/MAY 15

- Never Shout Never, Koji, Kurt Travis and Bearcat. 6:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.
- McLean Branch of the American Association of University Women Spring Dinner. 6:30 p.m. Assaggi Osteria, 6641 Old Dominion Drive, McLean. Featuring speaker Johnnetta Cole, Director of the Smithsonian National Museum of African Art, on African Art: Why is it Important to American Art and Culture. Dinner \$38.50. All welcome. Reserve at 703-356-0529 or
- www.mcleanaauw.org. **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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WEDNESDAY/MAY 16

Landscape Painting Using A Photo Reference. 9 a.m. Great Falls Foundation for the Arts, 1144 Walker Road, Suite D, Great Falls. Wednesdays through June 27. Taught by Mollie Vardell. \$270. gfffta@gmail.com.

Never Shout Never, Koji, Kurt Travis and Bearcat. 6:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

Jammin' Juniors. 12:30 p.m. McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. Concert for age 2-5 with Two of a Kind. Free. sabrina.anwah@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Wiggly Things. 10:30 a.m. Dolley Madison Library, 1244 Oak Ridge Ave., McLean. Stories about bugs and everything that moves. Age 2-3 with adult. 703-356-0770.

Book Discussion Group. 10:30 a.m. Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Call for title. Adults. 703-757-8560.

THURSDAY/MAY 17

- An Evening with Charlie Hunter. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.
- Chapter 227, Vietnam Veterans of America Inc. 7:30 p.m. Neighbor's Restaurant, 262D Cedar Lane, Cedar Lane Shopping Center, Vienna. Including the presentation of awards to the winners of the 12th Annual Vince Kaspar Awards for Excellence in the Arts, a community program recognizes art and poetry talents of local high school students. The general public and all veterans are invited. Free admission is free. 703-255-0353 or

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From left, Sophie Foulad, 11; Ava Campbell, 8; Sabrina Luz, 10; Rachel Keenan, 9, and Nicole Luz, 12, will be a part of the Haddad Ballet's performance of "The Snow Queen" on May 12.

Haddad Ballet Presents 'The Snow Queen'

Performance will be studios fourth in Great Falls, first since 2006.

By Alex McVeigh The Connection

he Margaret Haddad Studio of Classical Ballet will present "The Snow Queen" at the Madeira School in McLean Saturday, May 12. This is the fourth time Haddad has put on the show since coming to Great Falls and the first since 2006.

She first put it on while living in Kenya in 1986, as a fundraiser for the cancer ward of the Jomo Kenyatta Hospital.

"We've got around 60 people in the show, each one playing multiple roles," Haddad said. "Each character change involves a change in personality

as well, which is good for the dancers, to imagine bringing a different character to life."

The story is based off Hans Christian Andersen's fairy tale of the same name, first published in 1845. It tells the story of playmates Kai (played by Anthony Haddad, 9) and Gerda (played by Justine Verheul, 13) who encounter supernatural beings.

"The Snow Queen" will be performed Saturday, May 12 at 2 and 7 p.m. at The Madeira School, 8328 Georgetown Pike, McLean. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for students and seniors and \$12 for children. Tickets can be purchased by calling 703-759-3366.



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Highlanders Hoping to Take Off in Soccer Postseason

District OT losses have hurt McLean boys, but team is poised for strong showing at upcoming Liberty tournament.



By Rich Sanders The Connection

t has been a season of several frustrating, down to the wire losses for the McLean High boys' soccer team. On the other hand, the Highlanders have also won enough games to have clinched a winning regular season record and to believe they can be an impact team at the upcoming Liberty District and perhaps even the Northern Region playoffs.

"I think we've played well," said McLean head coach Mike Anderson, whose team held a decent enough 6-4-2 overall record with one regular season game remaining. "We've been a little unfortunate."

McLean, which was scheduled to close out the regular season on Wednesday, May 9 of this week with a district home game versus Marshall, is 3-3 in district play. All three of the Highlanders Liberty losses - setbacks to Jefferson, 1-0; South Lakes, 2-1; and Langley, 2-1 - came in the late stages of second overtime sessions.

In the most recent defeat - a district home setback to cross-town rival Langley last Wednesday night, May 2 - the Highlanders held a 1-0 lead late in regulation play before the talented Saxons tied the contest and ultimately won in extra play.

Those close game losses McLean has undergone this season are going to have to be the types of games the Highlanders win if they want to make a strong run at next week's eight-team Liberty District tournament.

"Some of it has been lack of focus," said Anderson, of the overtime district losses. "And we've been a little bit unlucky."

McLean is likely to be the district tournament's No. 4-seed and will meet either South Lakes or Stone Bridge in a first round (quarterfinals) game next Monday night, May 14. If the Highlanders clinch the No. 4-seed by beating Marshall this week, they will host their first round playoff game on Monday.

By winning its playoff opener, McLean would advance to a district semifinals contest at Fairfax High School on Wednesday, May 16. Also, a quarterfinals win would automatically qualify McLean for the following week's 16-team Northern Region playoffs. A loss, however, would end the Highlanders' season.

Anderson believes his team, which has proven to be an offensive juggernaut this spring (an impressive 36 goals over 12 games), can catch fire and get on a postseason roll.

"I think we're really starting to find our stride," said Anderson, whose team looked outstanding last Friday night - two evenings following the disappointing loss to Langley - in a 5-1 district win over visiting Madison. "We have an awesome team and can beat anybody."

But the coach also realizes his team can be beaten if it is not on its game. Monday's quarterfinals round playoff affair, against either South Lakes or Stone Bridge,

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The McLean High boys' soccer team lost to South Lakes 2-1 in overtime during the regular season. The Seahawks could be the Highlanders first round Liberty District playoff opponent next week.

will be a must-win game against a good opponent.

Anderson said both the Seahawks and Bulldogs are good teams. He said South Lakes, while not a prolific scoring team, is tough and good on defense. Stone Bridge, he said, is outstanding in scoring off of set pieces and would also be quite a challenge. McLean did beat Stone Bridge during the regular season by a 4-2 score on May 1 in Ashburn.

DEFENSIVELY, McLean has played fairly solid this season.

"Our defense is good," said Anderson. "We've had some hiccups."

A couple of positional changes proved to be beneficial for McLean in the win over Madison. Midfielders Theo Erickson and David Galdo, both juniors, were moved back to defender positions while a couple of defenders, including Jonathan Dunn, moved to midfield.

"Both are natural defenders and stabilize the back for us," said Anderson, of talented players Erickson and Galdo.

Anderson was pleased with the way his players took to and responded to the changes. McLean scored all five of its goals over the first 50 minutes of play versus the Warhawks. Dunn contributed a pair of assists. The Highlanders played a solid game defensively and displayed some firepower on offense.

"We have so much arsenal on offense," said Anderson. McLean's top goal scorers this spring have been senior forward Mark Saunders (10 goals), senior midfielder Mike Russo (8), and senior defenseman Kyle Pyne (7).

Saunders, Russo, and Pyne are senior team captains, along with midfielder Nikolas Pavlis and goalie Rob Maffei.

Russo (University of Central Florida) and Maffei (Manhatten College) have accepted partial scholar-

ships to play collegiate soccer next school year. Anderson said his 2012 Highlanders have a good, winning mindset.

"Mentally, they're a very strong group with strong captains," said the coach. "They lost a heart-breaker versus their main rival [Langley] and came back and beat Madison."

-Sports Roundups



The McLean High boys' tennis team recently captured the Liberty District championship. Next up for head coach Aavo Tomkov's team is the postseason with the Liberty District Tournament, set to run this week (Monday, May 7 through Friday, May 11) at both McLean High and Lewinsville Park. The Northern Region Tournament is scheduled for next week beginning on Monday, May 14.

George C. Marshall High **School** is pleased to announce the hiring of Sarah Baker as its new head gymnastics coach. Coach Baker brings with her 12 years of competitive experience and most recently served as an assistant with both the Marshall and McLean High coaching staffs. Last season, Mclean finished first in the Liberty District and Marshall was third. As the new head coach for Marshall, Baker will continue to develop Statesmen student athletes to become the best they can be in both the classroom and in gymnastics.

The Langley High girls' softball team, in a Liberty District home game versus first place Stone Bridge last Tuesday, May 1, lost by an 11-6 score. Langley gained an early lead with a single by Taylor Chason, sacrifice bunt by Kaitryn Evans, and a sacrifice fly by Maggie Natal. The Saxons added to the lead in the bottom of the third inning with singles by Gabi Pijaca and Julia Weeks, and a triple by Taylor Chason. Singles by Kaitryn Evans, Karina Strum, and an RBI off the bat of Natal increased Langley's lead to 5-

ning Thursday, May 17.

0. Stone Bridge rallied and scored two runs in the top of the fourth. But Langley did not relent. A single by Mel Dronfield and a double by Gabi Pijaca added an additional run to make the score 6-2 Langley through four innings. Stone Bridge, however, stepped up and scored five runs in the fifth inning and four more in the seventh to gain control of the game.

Three days later, Langley, in a pitcher's duel at district opponent Madison, was edged by a 1-0 score. Emily Templin pitched all six innings for the Saxons, striking out four Warhawks and allowing just four hits. With the game scoreless in the sixth inning, Maggie Natal tripled with two outs. But Madison pitcher Kelsey Ross then retired the next batter for the final out, stranding Natal at third. Madison scored its run in the bottom half of the sixth and Ross retired the Saxons in order in the seventh to seal the win for the Warhawks. Ross, over seven innings, allowed just one hit. Both teams, throughout the game, made numerous good defensive plays in the field to back their pitchers.



Mother's Day PHOTO GALLERY

Elizabeth Harwood Zagraniski and her grandmother Pearl Antinozzi (age in photo 90, age today 91).





Mary Ann Torregrossa, of McLean, with her Mom. This picture was taken in the early 1940s.



Mary Ann Torregrossa with her Mom. Now, her mom is 93 and "still beautiful and very mobile and very independent!"



Elizabeth Harwood Zagraniski and her mother Mary Antinozzi Harwood, from McLean.

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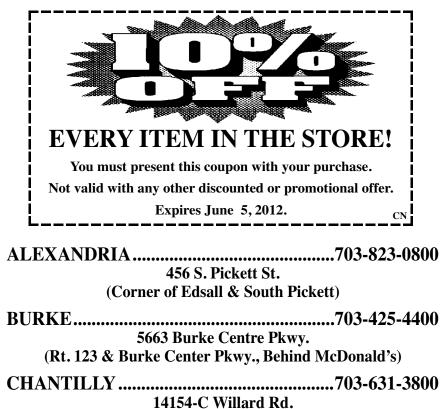
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Community organizations, such as McLean Baptist Church, provide friendly greetings and a bounty of free information and goods to festival goers.

McLean Day 2012 from A to Z

Come early and prepare to have a good time.

he McLean Community Center's (MCC) annual community festival McLean Day 2012: "Celebrating Our Hometown" is on Saturday, May 19. MCC district residents are invited to come out and bring every member of the family for a fun day of outdoor activities. The festival will be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Lewinsville Park, 1659 Chain Bridge Road. Admission is free.

A RICH HISTORY

The McLean School and Civic League originally sponsored the festival in 1915 as a way to raise funds for a host of school and community projects. The first McLean Day was held in a field adjacent to Franklin Sherman School. Over the years following, various community organizations kept McLean Day going (with varying degrees of success) until MCC began producing it in the mid-1970s. As it grew and became more popular, it soon outgrew the capacity of the Center's Ingleside Avenue address and in 1988, MCC relocated it to its current location, Lewinsville Park.

BOARD ELECTIONS: VOTE IN THE MCC GOVERNING **BOARD ELECTION,** 10:30 A.M.-5 P.M.

Residents of Dranesville Small Tax District 1A, who support the Center through a special real es-

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tate tax, can cast their votes to elect members to the 2012-2013 MCC Governing Board at the festival. The election will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at a booth just inside the entrance to the park. Onsite parking is not available; however, residents can use the free shuttle bus service to and from the park. Residents also may vote by absentee ballot if they will be unable to attend the festival. To be counted, completed ballots must be received by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 16. Voting instructions and candidate information are available online at the Center's Website: www.mcleancenter.org.

CARNIVAL RIDES: THE GAME'S THE THING

The young and the young-atheart will find lots of fun options this year. Games 2U of Huntingtown, Md., returns for a second year of field games, such as laser tag, archery tag and a cannon. Reithoffer Shows is bringing the Orbiter and a number of large carnival rides. Full Tilt, The Ring of Fire, Pharaoh's Fury, Starship 3000 and bumper car rides are also returning. Ticket sales for the large rides will begin at 10:30 a.m. and will end at 4 p.m. Tickets must be purchased with cash only. Most large rides cost \$4 (or two tickets). An unlimited ride bracelet can be purchased for \$20. Riders are encouraged to arrive early to get tickets as long lines develop. Other attractions include a rock climbing wall, carnival games, pony rides and face painting. A special area called the KidZone Midway features a variety of small, mechanical rides and bounces that **SHUTTLE SERVICE**

toddlers and small children can enjoy.

FOOD, GLORIOUS FOOD

Four new food vendors are coming to McLean Day this year and they will expand the food offerings significantly on Eatery Row: Pepper Creek Shellfish Farm, Suya-to-Go and Dee's Concessions, along with the popular Tysons area food truck, Something Stuffed (http:// www.somethingstuffed.com) will join other favorites such as The Tender Rib (http:// www.thetenderrib.com), Minute Man Kettlecorn, Brad's Concessions and Domino's Pizza. As always, bring your appetite to McLean Day.

MUSIC, MARTIAL ARTS & MORE

The McLean Day Stage has something for everyone in the family. The children will love the antics of the talented dogs in the Mutts Gone Nuts Dog Show (http://muttsgonenuts.com/ index.html), the energy of the demonstrations by Mount Kim Tae Kwon Do students and the funky tunes of Bach to Rock bands. Proud parents and grandparents love the Joy of Dance performances by students enrolled in classes at MCC. The headlining act this year will be New Orleans style band Scott Ramminger and the (http:// Crawstickers www.crawstickers.com/ home.cfm). In addition, the McLean Citizens Association will present its annual Teen Character Award at 3 p.m.

PARKING AND FREE





McLean Community Center tax district residents can vote for Governing Board members during the festival.



The large carnival ride is one of the most popular attractions at McLean Day.

Parking is not available at Lewinsville Park on the day of the festival, so MCC strongly encourages participants to use its free shuttle service. Starting at 9:30 a.m. and continuing throughout the day, shuttle buses will run from the park to McLean Baptist Church, 1367 Chain Bridge Rd., Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, 1545 Chain Bridge Road, and MCC, 1234 Ingleside Avenue. Parking also is available at the Lewinsville Senior Center, 1609 Great Falls Street, and the Center will run airport-style shuttle carts from Evers Drive, located at the rear of the building, to the park all day.

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Alcohol, cigarettes and other controlled substances are not permitted on the grounds. Political candidates and other vendors must contain their activities to their assigned booth spaces.

Soliciting is not allowed outside of the booth areas or on the grounds of Lewinsville Park during McLean Day.

For festival updates, driving directions, shuttle bus stop locations and a festival area map, visit: www.mcleancenter.org/specialevents/mcleanday.asp or call the Each year, MCC seeks to partner Center at 703-790-0123/TTY: 711. The Center's telephone will be answered from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the day of the festival.





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Park, Ride and Relax

Center urges residents to use shuttles to and from McLean Day 2012.

he McLean Community Center is offering a free shuttle service to and from the McLean Day 2012: Celebrating Our Hometown festival on Saturday, May 19. The festival will be held from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. at Lewinsville Park, 1659 Chain Bridge Road.

The Center has taken a number of measures to improve the traffic patterns and make it easier and safer for festival participants to get in and out of the park. Parking is prohibited at the park all day. The Center has arranged a shuttle bus service and three shuttle locations will be used to reduce the number

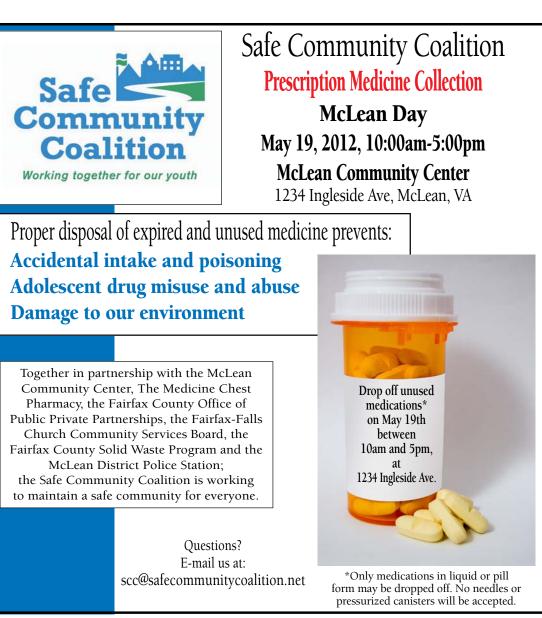


of vehicles on the streets surrounding the park. Several shuttle buses at each site will be available from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the following locations: The McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Avenue. Meet the shuttle at the Center's front entrance.

McLean Baptist Church, 1367 Chain Bridge Rd, across from Franklin Sherman Elementary School and Langley Shopping Center. Meet the shuttle at the stop on Brawner Street.

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In addition, the Center also will run a number of small transportation carts, similar to those used in airports, from the rear of the Lewinsville Senior Center, 1609 Great Falls Street. Riders can meet the carts at the stop on Evers Drive, which is behind the Center. Follow the signs to the pickup location on Evers Drive.





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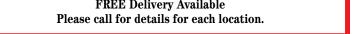
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Kettlecorn, crab cakes, pit beef, pizza and ice cream are just a few of the many food choices available at McLean Day 2012.

Abundance of Food Offerings

Four new vendors bring new delights to McLean Day 2012.

f what attracts you to an included: outdoor festival are the flavors of festival food, look no further—with four

p.m. on Saturday, May 19, at Lewinsville Park, 1659 Chain Bridge Road. Sponsored by the McLean Community Center (MCC), admission to the festival and rides on shuttle buses to and

Drinks will make their debut at the

Food booths are located throughout the park. Locations and menu selections can be found in the McLean Day map that will be handed out at the information booth just inside the park entrance. There also is a large tent with picnic tables for dining.

At press time, food vendors

* Anita's Frozen Cotton Candy

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- * Nibbles
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* Suya-To-Go

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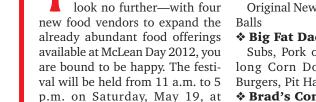
Brisket, Chicken Tenders, BBQ Ribs, French Fries, Soda

Tommy T's

Funnel Cakes, Fruit Smoothies, Lemonade

The festival will be held rain or shine. Parking will not be allowed at Lewinsville Park on the day of the festival. Beginning at 9:30 a.m., free shuttle buses will run from the park to McLean Baptist Church, 1367 Chain Bridge Rd., Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, 1545 Chain Bridge Road, and MCC, 1234 Ingleside Avenue. Starting at 10 a.m., shuttle carts, similar to the ones used at airports, will run from Lewinsville Senior Center to the park. The shuttle picks up from the rear of the building on Evers Drive.

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from the park are free.

Area food truck, Something Stuffed will be serving their empanadas and spring rolls, among other treats. Pepper Creek Shellfish Farm has a wide array of seafood choices rarely seen at festivals, such as Littleneck clams. Suya-to-Go will be serving a variety of Nigerian specialties: fried fish, jollof rice, chicken wings and mango twists. Amazing Volcano festival, thanks to new vendor, Dee's Concessions.



Young dancers who are enrolled in Joy of Dance classes at MCC show what they've learned on the McLean Day stage.

Music That 'Will Stick in Your Craw'

Numerous attractions slated For the McLean Day 2012 Stage.

ashington Area Music Award (WAMMIE) winning musical group Scott Ramminger and the CrawStickers will play a wide mix of favorites and original songs on the House Stage of the McLean Community Center's (MCC) McLean Day 2012: Celebrating Our Hometown festival on Saturday, May 19. The festival will be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Lewinsville Park, 1659 Chain Bridge Road. Festival admission is free and includes all onstage entertainment.

The House Stage at McLean Day also will feature performances by animal trainers Jessie & James, young dancers enrolled in Joy of Dance classes at MCC, students of Mount Kim Tae Kwon Do School and of the music school Bach to Rock.

Stage Schedule

(Subject to change)

11 A.M. JOY OF DANCE

Students enrolled in MCC's Joy of Dance classes will showcase what they've learned.

12:15 P.M. JESSIE & JAMES AND MUTTS GONE NUTS Jessie and James have trained their adorable pooches to

- juggle, rope walk and more!
- **1:30 P.M. MOUNT KIM TAE KWON DO** Students will demonstrate self-defense techniques and skills.

2:15 P.M. JESSIE & JAMES AND MUTTS GONE NUTS An encore presentation.

3:30 PM. SCOTT RAMMINGER AND THE CRAWSTICKERS

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Musician Scott Ramminger and his band, the Crawstickers, will perform at McLean Day 2012.

> jazz along with Chicago Blues, Stax/Motown R&B, soul, jazz and Nashville Twang, is sure to "stick in your craw."

4:30 P.M. BACH TO ROCK KIDS BANDS

Young students of the school in McLean will entertain the crowds.

- Parking is not allowed at Lewinsville Park on the day of the festival. Starting at 9:30 a.m. and continuing throughout the day, shuttle buses will run from the park to Lutheran Church of the Redeemer at 1545 Chain Bridge Rd, McLean Baptist Church at 1367 Chain Bridge Rd. and MCC, 1234 Ingleside Avenue. Parking also is available at the Lewinsville Senior Center, 1609 Great Falls Street; shuttle carts will run from Evers Dr. at the back of the Senior Center building to Lewinsville Park.
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McLean Community Center Governing Board Election Saturday, May 19, from 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Lewinsville Park, 1659 Chain Bridge Road

Your Vote is Your Voice!

All qualified residents of Small District 1A Dranesville are encouraged to vote for members of the 2012-2013 MCC Governing Board.

· You need not be registered to vote in the general election · Proof of residence, such as a driver's license, is required

Absentee Ballot

Vote now by absentee ballot and avoid the crowds! View the candidate statements on the Center's Web site. Call the Center or send an E-mail message to "elections@mcleancenter.org" to request a ballot package be sent to your home. Or, stop by the Center at 1234 Ingleside Avenue and pick one up. Completed ballots must be received by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 16, to be counted.

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The McLean Community Center

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McLean Day 2012 It's Not All Fun & Games at McLean Day MCC 2012-2013 Governing Board Election will be held, from 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Three adults, two teens positions open.

Funnel cakes, large rides and fun are only some aspects of the annual McLean Day festival produced by the McLean Community Center (MCC). A very important and far-reaching activity, the election of the Center's new Governing Board members, also takes place that day. The board sets policies and provides general oversight for all the facilities and programs of the Center, including the Robert Ames Alden Theatre and the Old Firehouse Teen Center.

Residents of Dranesville Small District 1A are eligible to vote during the election, which will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, May 19, at Lewinsville Park, 1659 Chain Bridge Rd. Residents also may vote by absentee ballot which started Monday, April 9, and runs through Wednesday, May 16. The entrance to the park will serve as "campaign central" for the tax district residents running for a seat on the Center's 2012–2013 Governing Board.

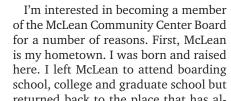
Three adult positions and two youth positions are open this year. The adult candidates who receive the three-highest vote counts will serve three-year terms. Youth candidates, one from the McLean High School boundary area and one from the Langley High School boundary area, will serve one-year terms. Youth candidates do not have to attend these schools to serve on the board.

ADULT CANDIDATE PERSONAL STATEMENTS **Susan Bourgeois**

For the past three years, I have had the privilege of serving as a Governing Board member. Like my support for facility improvements to the Alden, I will

work to define future improvements so that they are of a kind and quality reflective of our community and which are a good use of capital surplus funds. I have consistently voted for a reduction in the district tax rate to minimize the surplus while keeping in mind that to be "the center of it all," MCC should have a larger presence in the downtown area leveraging the Old Firehouse successes.

Laurelie Wallace



returned back to the place that has always been home to me. Now that I am in my thirties, I want to give back to the place that has given me so much. Even though McLean has changed and evolved over the years, I want it to be just as special to future generations as it has been for me.

YOUTH CANDIDATE **PERSONAL STATEMENTS -MCLEAN HIGH SCHOOL AREA** Craig McKenzie

As a high school honors student, I have brought change to McLean through the community and teen centers. I have been a member of the Teen Council for three

years and serve as president. I have been a volunteer in the teen, special events, and youth departments of the community center as well as at Georgetown University Hospital earning the H. Gordon Randall, DAR and MCA citizens' awards. I served the governing board from 2010-2011 supporting property tax decreases. As a member of the Governing Board, I will increase programming for underserved groups and build a downtown facility.

Malika Nimmagadda



From a young age, I have participated in the McLean Little League and the McLean Youth Basketball programs. Additionally, I am a student at McLean High School and I also work at the McLean Racquet and Health Club. My experiences and activities help me re-

late to a wide spectrum of teenagers in our community. I am well organized, optimistic and have a "cando" attitude. My presence on the Governing Board would improve the involvement of teens in our community and I would also be an exceptional liaison in conveying both the complaints and suggestions of the teens in our area.

LANGLEY HIGH SCHOOL AREA **Drew Armstrong**

My name is Drew Armstrong and I am running to be your youth representative to the McLean Community Center Governing Board from Langley High School. At Langley High School, I have been a



Student Government Association Representative, and heavily involved in both sports (Cross Country and Soccer) and clubs (Young Democrats, Otto's Army, and the Debate Team). I have also represented Langley at the county level as a representative to the Student Advisory Council. In conclusion, I'm sure this brief bio is quite a dull read, but I assure you, if elected, I will speak up for McLean's betterment.

Will Ferrer



I am currently a sophomore enrolled in the IB program at George C. Marshall High School in Falls Church, Va. At my school, I am involved in student government and I am a member of Marshall's SGA executive board. I'm also a junior officer of my school's Octagon Club, a

national community service organization. In my free time, I take classes at McLean High School, learning American Sign Language in addition to running for Marshall's track team. As an active member of the community, I would hope to make a difference on the McLean Community Center Governing Board.

Write-in Candidates are allowed. Write-in candidates must have at least 10 votes from 10 residents of the Center's tax district in order to have their votes counted. For youth write-in candidates, the 10 votes must come from teens who live within the same high school boundary area as the candidate.

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Crafters and artisans bring their one-of-a-kind wares to McLean Day, and most will take custom orders.

Discover Businesses, Non-Profits & Artisans

he expo area of the McLean Day 2012 festival is a rich resource on all things McLean. Local businesses, non-profit organizations, artisans and gourmet food purveyors reside side-by-side just waiting to share a wealth of information on their causes, products or services. Produced by the McLean Community Center (MCC), the festival will be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, May 19, at Lewinsville Park. Admission is free. The park is located at 1659 Chain Bridge Road.

Non-Profit Organizations

At press time, non-profit, government and political organizations participating included: 495 Express Lanes, American Legion Post 270-McLean, Brookfield School, Central Intelligence Agency, Chesterbrook Residences, Christian Science Reading Room, Compassion for Animals, Cooper Trash Parkout, Dranesville District Democratic Committee, Dranesville GOP, Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project, Fairfax County Office of Human Rights & Equity Programs, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors' John Foust, Fancy Cats Rescue Team, Freedom Hill Chapter DAR, Friends of Barbara Comstock, Lend-a-Paw, McLean Baptist Church, McLean Citizens Association, McLean Community Players, McLean High School Athletic Boosters, McLean High School Varsity and JV Sports, McLean Historical Society, McLean Newcomers Club, McLean Project for the Arts, McLean Youth Athletics, New Dominion Women's Club, Providence Baptist Church, Quality of Life Plus, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Safe Community Coalition, and the Woman's Club of McLean.

Businesses

McLean Day sponsor, Drs. Luposello & Marzban, DMD, PC, is among the more than 50 business represented: Amano Artisans, A-Plus Pets, AV Remodeling and Construction, Bach to Rock, Ballet Petite, Burke & Herbert Bank, Capital Remodeling, Inc., Caribbean Crystals, Chain Bridge Bank, Chain Bridge Cellars, Codwell Banker Residential Brokerage,

For More Information

For festival updates, driving directions, shuttle bus stop locations and a festival area map, visit: http:// www.mcleancenter.org/special-events/ mcleanday.asp, or call the Center at 703-790-0123/ TTY: 711. The Center's telephone will be answered from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the day of the festival.

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