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NEWS



Vienna Mayor Laurie DiRocco



Cunningham, Squadron 180, speaks while (from left) Gerry Connolly, Laurie DiRocco, Chap Petersen and Mark Keam applaud.

Pausing to Remember America's Fallen

Memorial Day ceremony at Oakton's Flint Hill Cemetery.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

Residents and dignitaries alike paid their respects to America's fallen heroes during American Legion Post 180's annual Memorial Day ceremony. It was held Monday, May 26, at Flint Hill Cemetery in Oakton.

Attendees included U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11th), Del. Mark Keam (D-35th), Sen. Chap Petersen (D-34th), Vienna Mayor Laurie DiRocco, Vice-Mayor Carey Sienicki and City Manager Mercury Payton. The Vienna Community Band performed and Legion Auxiliary members placed flags on veterans' graves.

"May our veterans rest in peace," said Post 180 Chaplain Bob Hatter in the event's opening prayer. "May we never fail to remember the awesome cost they paid for the freedoms we have today."

DiRocco said Memorial Day is considered by many as a day to have cookouts and relax with family and friends. But it's also important, she said, to remember why this day is celebrated – in homage to U.S. veterans.

Recognizing the WWII veterans in attendance, she told them, "We're so honored to have you with us. My grandfather and father-in-law both served in World War II, and we should take time to remember all the men and women who died for us."

Connolly said the toughest part of his job is when he has "to call a family who's lost a son or daughter in Iraq or Afghanistan."

Even though military personnel and their families know the risks and dangers inherent in that profession, he said, "There are no words to stem the tears that are going to flow."

Noting the 250,000 flags placed on veterans' graves at Arlington National Cemetery, Connolly said, "America is a great country because men and women have been willing to put on that uniform and, on occasion, make that sacrifice. Let us not forget the fallen."

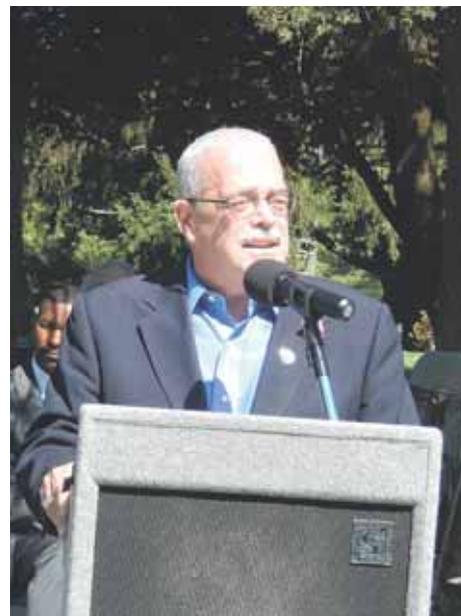
Vienna Planning Commissioner Walter I. Basnight Jr. was the keynote speaker. He said the personnel-related training he received in the Air Force laid the foundation for his later career in that field.

"In my job, I sent young folks to Vietnam," he said. "My choice was to think of them as faceless numbers or as individuals with a history and, hopefully, a future. I chose the latter. And on Memorial Day, we come together to recognize the sacrifices of those who paid the ultimate price for our freedom."

Acknowledging Flint Hill Cemetery's history, Basnight said it's one of Fairfax County's oldest community cemeteries. Dating back to 1852, it was originally called the Flint Hill Burial Ground when Oakton was known as Flint Hill. Buried there are prominent civilian and military figures, including at least 26 Civil War veterans – four of them members of Confederate Col. John S. Mosby's Rangers.

"In this special spot on this special day, we pause to remember all those who've served this nation in uniform, in every place, in every branch of the service," said Basnight. "We say thank you, and we also remember and thank all those who are serving our country today."

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U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11th)



Keynote speaker Walter I. Basnight Jr.



Adam Hilkert leads the Vienna Community Band.

(From left) Katherine Hall, Julie Moore, Molly Quackenbush and Sue Hamblen, all of Vienna Presbyterian Church, and Gretchen Thiele of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, man the donation table.



Packaging Food for Stop Hunger Now

Churches, community unite to feed hungry children.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

When members of a community join to gether for a common purpose, there's virtually no limit to what they can accomplish. And when residents from throughout Vienna and Oakton gathered to package meals for the world's hungriest people, they definitely made an impact.

"Our goal is to package 250,000 meals," said Sue Hamblen, director of missions with Vienna Presbyterian Church. "They'll go wherever they're needed most, mainly to schools and orphanages." And in this case, the food was sent to Nicaragua.

That's why, on a recent Saturday, Madison High's cafeteria was filled with people of all ages working in a production-line arrangement to package meals for the international, hunger-relief organization, Stop Hunger Now. Some 1,507 people registered to help, but a couple dozen walk-ins also joined the effort.

They worked in four shifts of 350 volunteers each and, said Hamblen, "This is a coalition of 10 sponsoring Vienna-Oakton churches, plus representatives from 20 total Vienna-Oakton churches participating. And it's Vienna Presbyterian's and Emmanuel Lutheran Church's fourth year of doing it."

THE EVENT was advertised through the churches, but also helping out were local Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops and members of the Vienna Rotary Club and Vienna Business Assn. Participating, as well, were students from Madison High's Honor Society, Oakton High's tennis team and 250 students and teachers from Waples Mill Elementary.

"To purchase the meals, the community raised \$62,500 over a couple months," said Hamblen. "A lot came from the churches, and even individuals contributed on their own. Some checks were as high as \$1,500; people donated whatever they could."



Vienna's Brenda Burns and granddaughter Bethany Kraft, 4, measure rice together.

Each food package contained six meals and each meal costs 29 cents. Overseeing the packaging event at Madison were Kate Millman, Stop Hunger Now's National Capital program manager, and Dominic Alexander, Stop Hunger Now's regional program manager.

"Each meal contains rice, soy protein, dehydrated vegetables – tomato, onion, bell pepper and celery, and a vitamin sachet with 21 different vitamins and minerals," said Millman. "The vitamin sachets are provided by Heinz, which helped design them specifically for malnourished children. These meals have the most nourishing combination of foods because they're vegetarian and packed full of protein – and many mothers and children are protein-deficient."



The Rev. Corky Eddins, of Christ Church of Vienna, helped unload these bags of rice.



Volunteers measure soy protein for packaging.

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Volunteers weighing rice packets and sealing up the meal packages.



Helping to Stop Hunger

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Regarding this local, packaging event, she said, "I think it's awesome because it brings together lots of groups from the Vienna-Oakton community. And it's so cool to see students, teachers, community and church members and Scouts working alongside each other."

In the cafeteria, the volunteers received instructions and then people at each, long table either measured the food going into each meal package and filled the bags, weighed each meal, sealed the bags or packed them into boxes.

"Everyone seems happy; they're smiling and having a good time," said Millman. "Each person has one, simple job to do; and when everyone does it, it makes such a big impact."

Hamblen said people were also enjoying the fellowship of working with many, different faith denominations within the community. "Collectively, the faith community is taking a stand against global hunger," she said. "We've also gotten to know each other, and I think it'll be a springboard for us to come together for other common causes, as well."

Among the participants was Michele Shaw of Fairfax Community Church. "We did a few of these events at our church and wanted to do more," she explained. "And we help out here because they always need extra, experienced people to lend a hand."

"We make sure the volunteers are packing and sealing the meals correctly, wearing gloves and packing and sealing the boxes right," she continued. Noting that about 10 members of her church were there, Shaw said, "We go to Vienna a lot, and we heard about this event and wanted to be here to help."

One of the busiest workers that day was the Rev. Corky Eddins, an associate pastor with Christ Church of Vienna, which meets at Madison. And he brought at least 150 church members with him.

"What's great is that people of all ages are participating," he said. "And it's not just giving money, but hands-on – giving of their time and love to meet a real need worldwide."

DURING THE MADISON EVENT, Eddins and his crew did set-up and cleanup and everything in between. The night before, they unloaded five tons of soy product and 12-and-a-half tons of rice from big, 18-wheeled trucks and then lugged it all into the cafeteria.

They also set up the cafeteria-table packaging stations with food scales and sealing equipment. After the meal bags were packaged in plastic bags and sealed, they went to a boxing station where 36 bags were packed per box. Then the boxes were placed into a tractor-trailer to be driven to Miami for shipment to Nicaragua.

"For a lot of children, it's the only hot, nourishing meal they get," said Eddins. "And they can add their own spices."

"Most of our meals go into school feeding programs," said Millman. "Every three seconds, someone dies from hunger or hunger-related diseases. That's 25,000 people a day – and 13,000 of them are children under 6. Our mission is to stop hunger now in our lifetime."

At one of the tables, Brenda Burns of the Vienna Assembly of God measured rice with her 4-year-old granddaughter. She said 16 members of her church were there volunteering. "We're excited about this project," said Burns. "Doing something that makes a difference resonates with us as a group," she explained. "We think the love of God expresses itself through us, but we have to put it into action."

Also helping was Luc Rousseau, a Thoreau Middle School seventh-grader. Boxing up the meal packages, he'd come to the event on his own. "I'm a Boy Scout and I wanted to get service hours," he said. But besides that, he added, "This is a good thing to do because it's giving food to the needy, and it makes me feel good to do it."

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OPINION

New Measure: More Living in Poverty

Many households living in poverty in our region, invisible to most of us most of the time.

Inside the Beltway, that is Alexandria, Arlington and parts of Fairfax, 32 percent of children are living in poverty or near poverty. In Fairfax County, 26 percent of children live in or near poverty.

This is according to the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service at the University of Virginia.

“While Northern Virginia counties and cities enjoy some of the highest median incomes in the nation, the Virginia Poverty Measure shows that the extent of economic deprivation in the region is significantly greater than suggested by official poverty statistics.”

Taking into consideration the high cost of

housing and other necessary goods, poverty rates for Northern Virginia residents are surprising. Inside the Beltway, the Virginia Poverty Measure showing a poverty rate of 12.3 percent, much higher than the official rate of 7.4 percent. In Fairfax, the Virginia Poverty Measure shows a poverty rate of nearly 10 percent (9.7 per-

cent). In Fairfax, that’s more than 100,000 individuals living in poverty.

But for the most part, the affluent residents in our area do not see any of this poverty. Our schools and neighborhoods are economically segregated.

When thinking about affordable housing, about funding for schools, about expanding health coverage, it’s important to hold these numbers, these children, these families in mind.

Father’s Day Photos

Father’s Day is June 15, and as in years past, The Connection will publish a gallery of photos of fathers, grandfathers, great grandfathers and sons and daughters. Send your photos, including names of everyone in the photo, ages of children, town of residence and a brief description of what is happening to editors@connectionnewspapers.com

— MARY KIMM.

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EDITORIALS

COMMENTARY

A Moral Imperative

BY KENNETH R. “KEN” PLUM
STATE DELEGATE (D-36)



Recently the New York Times editorial board wrote about the “health care showdown in Virginia.” Their comments were not favorable. “In Virginia, there are 400,000 low-income people who can’t afford health care coverage but don’t qualify for federal subsidies,” they wrote. “If they lived across the state line in Maryland, West Virginia or Kentucky, which have expanded their Medicaid programs, they could get the coverage they

need.” The reason they cannot; “a group of recalcitrant Republicans in the House of Delegates” have blocked Medicaid expansion at every opportunity.

Highly regarded retired editorial writer for the Virginia Pilot, Margaret Edds, wrote about the current impasse in Virginia two weeks ago. Drawing on her extensive command of Virginia’s history, Edds points out that Virginia was the last state to join Social Security in the 1930s. She argues that there is a moral imperative that “we cannot afford to take this risk” of not expanding Medicaid. She writes that “design-

ing a health care system that embraces everyone is the right thing to do.” Reston resident, Elliot Wicks, in a recent letter to the editor makes the same argument that closing the coverage gap morally is the right thing to do.

In an unprecedented move, the Virginia Chapter of the American Association of Retired People (AARP) called a press conference to announce that letters sent by the Speaker of the House and other Republican lawmakers to their constituents over age 60 contained “inaccurate information about changes in Medicare.” These letters from Speaker Howell and other lawmakers im-

plied that expanding Medicaid in Virginia would hurt Medicare beneficiaries. “Expanding Medicaid to uninsured Virginians won’t harm the Medicare program or its beneficiaries,” the AARP spokesperson said.

Revenues for the Commonwealth are expected to fall short of projection for this year by as much as \$300 million. Ironically, Virginia is losing \$5 million a day amounting now to three-fourths of a billion dollars paid by Virginians that could be returned to the state through Medicaid expansion. The money could not be used to balance the budget in the current year, but in future years more than \$200 million that Virginia pays for indigent care from its general tax revenue could be paid by Medicaid.

State and local chambers of commerce, medical and health care associations, and editorial boards of the major newspapers in the state have endorsed Medicaid expansion. A major compromise in the form of Marketplace Virginia, proposed by three Republican senators and endorsed by all Democratic legislators, has been introduced. The compromise proposed in Marketplace Virginia addresses the Republicans’ stated concerns by including a provision to discontinue the program if the federal government reneges on its commitments. It is time for Republicans in the House of Delegates to agree to the compromise. Their insistence on separating Medicaid from the state budget is a costly stalling tactic that is hurting a large number of Virginians and threatens to hurt even more if the budget stalemate continues.



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Attanasi Appointed To Town Council

Vienna also adopts minimum tree-canopy coverage rules.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

There's a new member on the Vienna Town Council, but this one didn't have to be elected. Instead, Emil Attanasi was appointed to fill new Mayor Laurie DiRocco's unexpired term on the Council.

However, he's no newcomer to the town or its workings. In fact, he served 27 years on the Vienna Planning Commission, from 1983 to July 2010. He was both its chairman and vice chairman and also served as the Town Council's representative on the Hunter Mill District Land-Use Task Force.

DiRocco was sworn in April 8 to fulfill the remainder of the late Mayor M. Jane Seeman's term, after Seeman died on Feb. 23. DiRocco later ran unopposed for mayor and was elected on May 6; her two-year term of office begins July 1.

Meanwhile, the Council vacancy needed to be filled. So at the last Town Council meeting, Monday, May 19, Councilwoman Laurie Cole nominated Attanasi for the seat and her motion passed unanimously. Afterward, DiRocco said, "I'm very excited to have him on board."

He was sworn in the next day, May 20, and will serve on the Council until June 30, 2015 – when DiRocco's former Council term expires. A 40-year Vienna resident, since 1974, Attanasi is also an economist with the federal government.

PLEASED, AS WELL, with his appointment is Town Planning and Zoning Director Greg Hembree. Said Hembree: "Emil's institutional memory, after serving 27 years on the Planning Commission, will be a real asset to the Council."

In other business, the Town Council awarded a \$70,000 contract to Urban Ltd. to redesign the Vil-

lage Green Shopping Center storm-drainage system. "The public storm-sewer design is causing a problem there," explained Public Works Director Dennis Johnson. "It's inadequate to handle the water flow."

The Council also set June 2 for a public hearing on the granting of a conservation and parking easement with the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority to expand the Vienna Train Station parking lot. And not everyone is happy about it.

"It's adjacent to the W&OD Trail and would help trail users find more parking," said town attorney Steve Briglia. "If we traded some easements, the Park Authority would benefit and so would the trail users. It would entail moving a garden to an alternative site, possibly to the garden by Vienna Elementary."

ANNA MARIE MULVIHILL of the Ayr Hill Garden Club also addressed the Council. "We're very unhappy that the garden would go if you expanded the parking lot," she said. "It's a problem for us because it's a memorial garden for Dorothy McDermott, our political representative in Richmond for many years and a former member of our garden club."

Furthermore, added Mulvihill, "It's an extremely popular garden – the children love it. We're meeting about it with [Vienna Parks and Recreation Director] Cathy Salgado. And we've maintained it for free for 10 years, so would you help us? We'd need some equipment to help us move a tree and some bushes if we have to relocate them."

There was no further discussion of this topic, but DiRocco said Mulvihill could bring up these points again during the June 2 public hearing.

Also at the May 19 meeting, the Town Council approved new provisions to the Town Code, adopting minimum tree-canopy coverage requirements for both single-lot development and redevelopment. It did so in response to residents' concerns about Vienna's deteriorating tree canopy.

The new rules mean that individual lots and subdivisions alike must have 20-percent coverage by trees within 20 years. It also requires that trees removed because of redevelopment be replaced by new plantings. The changes took effect last Thursday, May 22.



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Three Honored for Promoting Affordable Housing

Tyson's event adds Carson Lee Fifer, Carl Auvil and Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11) to AHOME Hall of Fame.

BY REENA SINGH
THE CONNECTION

Three local men were honored for their dedication in affordable housing.

AHOME Foundation added Carson Lee Fifer, Carl Auvil and Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11) to its Hall of Fame during its third annual reception on Thursday at the Tysons Corner Capital One headquarters building.

AHOME stands for Affordable Housing Opportunities Means Everyone.

"AHOME started back in the late '80s to change legislation in the state to include in the zoning a requirement for affordable housing," said past AHOME board president and Hall-of-Fame member Jerry Hopkins.

He said the Hall of Fame reception started three years ago to honor local advocates for affordable housing.

U.S. Rep. Jim Moran (D-8) was the event's guest speaker. He said he was "preaching to the choir" about Fairfax County's - and Tysons' - need for more affordable housing.

"There's thousands of jobs here, especially in the retail sector, and there is planned to be more," he said.

He did not agree that retail workers and local teachers had to travel up to an hour away to find housing they can afford to live in. He believed the community should include people from an economically diverse background.

"We don't have much affordable housing, and that's why we have AHOME," he said.

Fifer was one of the key people involved in creating the Fairfax County Affordable Dwelling Unit program and worked with

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U.S. Rep. Jim Moran (D-8) speaks during the awards ceremony.



U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11) accepts his AHOME Hall of Fame award.

Delegate Bob Andrews to create Loudoun County's own ADU program.

"Affordable housing cannot and should not be a partisan issue," said Fifer.

Carl E. Auvil's award was received by his daughter Beverly Auvil. Carl, who is 95 years old and resides in Pennsylvania, is a former Fairfax County Housing Hygiene Board chairman. According to a press release, he researched aspects of affordable housing for the county for the board's Housing Study Commission. He was not satisfied that the creation of a Housing Authority was not a part of the recommendations of the report. He took the matter into his own hands.

"Affordable housing cannot and should not be a partisan issue."

— Carson Lee Fifer



People mingling during the AHOME Hall of Fame reception.

"To help ensure the passing of the referendum, Auvil went door to door explaining the importance of affordable housing," states the press release. "Auvil's hard work paid off when the referendum passed by 120 votes."

Rep. Connolly was honored for helping to establish the Penny for Affordable Housing Fund in 2006, according to the press release. Over the course of six years, the fund garnered \$119.6 million for affordable housing in the county.

During his speech, he said getting the county's homeless into homes was the quickest way to turn them into productive members of society with jobs, and in turn, being able to feed their children.

"Housing is so key to getting people back on their feet," said Connolly.

WEEK IN VIENNA

Madison, Oakton Cappie Nods

The 2014 Cappie nominations were unveiled last Monday, May 19, and Madison High's production of "The Music Man" received eight nods. Oakton High's play, "Elephant's Graveyard," got three.

❖ Madison's nominations are as follows:

- Costumes: Shannon Finney, Samira Pakmehr.
- Stage Crew: Allison Brandmark, Anna East, Will Laney.
- Orchestra: Pit orchestra.
- Choreography: Katie Allison, Shannon Roux.
- Female Dancer: Shannon Roux.
- Male Dancer: Neal Going.
- Male Vocalist: Ashton Schaffer.

Comic Actress in a Musical: Paige Cilluffo.

❖ Oakton's nominations are:

Graduating Critic: Emily Brennan.

Creativity (composition): Jack Goodin, Justin Pirrochi.

Ensemble in a Play: Walter & the Dirty Boots.

The winners will be announced June 8 at the 15th annual Cappies Gala at The Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.

Be Prepared for Hurricanes

Since hurricane season begins June 1, Gov. Terry McAuliffe has recognized May 25-31 as Hurricane and Flooding Preparedness Week across Virginia. Accordingly, Fairfax County emergency-management officials encourage all residents to have an emergency kit of supplies on

hand. It should start with three days of bottled water and non-perishable food, plus a battery-powered and/or hand-crank radio with extra batteries to hear emergency information. Other items to include are flashlights and extra batteries, a first-aid kit and an extra supply of prescription medicines.

Vienna Town Council Meeting

The next meeting of the Vienna Town Council is Monday, June 2, at 8 p.m., in the Vienna Town Hall, 127 Center St. S. The Town Council will also hold a work session on Monday, June 9, at the Town Hall.



PHOTO BY REENA SINGH / THE CONNECTION

The Fairfax Education Association appears before the board's budget decision.

School Board Passes Budget

Schools to cut out more than 700 positions countywide.

BY REENA SINGH
THE CONNECTION

Fairfax County Public Schools' 2.5 billion budget passed during a six hour meeting Thursday.

The School Board approved the fiscal year 2015 budget 9-3 after debating through a list of amendments, approving a step increase for employees in November but cuts out more than 700 positions countywide.

Mount Vernon representative Dan Storck, Braddock District representative Megan McLaughlin and Springfield representative Elizabeth Schultz opposed both the adjusted budget and the two amendments that passed during the meeting.

"We knew we were going to have to cut things that we cared about, and that \$97 million is full of things we cared about," said Hunter Mill representative Pat Hynes. "The money is not there. We have combed through our budget and it is not there."

Reductions totaling \$97 million represent not only employee positions, but also the reduction of \$3.9 million in health and retirement benefit costs.

THE BOARD also eliminated the fees for International Baccalaureate and Advanced Placement exams, taking on the \$4 million burden in the budget. Some board members felt that money could have gone towards other line items, like more Head Start and pre-kindergarten classrooms than the two that were approved at the meeting.

Storck prefaced his vote hours earlier by stating he would not be able to approve of a budget that had not gone through the democratic process. He felt the modifications presented after the county Board of Supervisors approved the school transfer did not represent the board's wishes.

He made a motion to divide the budget motion to allow board members to vote on each budget modification.

"The purpose of dividing the motion is for the board to approve of something rather than to accept it at default," he said.

However, the motion failed.

"If it takes until 5 a.m., I really don't care," said Schultz, who agreed with Storck. "That's what we were elected for."

She said that "if we didn't start from a place of principle, I don't think I'll be able to agree on the whole thing."

The two amendments that passed during the six-hour session included reducing funding for out-of-school support due to the savings projected by a partial in-school suspension position lost at Thomas Jefferson School of Science and Technology and increasing the staff reserves by 3.0 positions.

Fairfax Education Association president Kimberly Adams brought a group from the FEA during the public comment period to let the board know before they voted what teachers will face if compensation is kept low with the increasing demand on hours and students.

"This budget is definitely full of furious cuts," she said after the meeting. "When you cut 731 positions, you increase the workload for everyone else."

She noted that the money being spent to pay for IB and AP exams could have been spent on moving the step increase in pay to October rather than November.

ON THE COUNTY'S END, Adams said an \$11.5 million increase could have been "doable," and would have only cost taxpayers another half cent.

However, she was happy that there is already a proposed full step increase and 1 percent increase in cost of living wages on the table for the FY 2016 budget.

School Board Chair Ilryong Moon adjourned the meeting at 1 a.m. before the consent agenda could be voted on, due to the time. The items will be voted on at the next board meeting.

His comments echoed Adams' thoughts on hoping the county would have done more for the schools.

"We appreciate the Board of Supervisors' efforts to increase the transfer this year although we remain disappointed that the board did not fully fund our transfer request," he said in a press release. "We are committed to continuing the cooperative, collaborative process that was established during this budget cycle in future years."

Additional budget information can be found at <http://www.fcps.edu/news/fy2015.shtml>.

7 Things You Must Know Before Putting Your Home Up for Sale

Vienna/Oakton - A new report has just been released which reveals 7 costly mistakes that most homeowners make when selling their home, and a 9 Step System that can help you sell your home fast and for the most amount of money.

This industry report shows clearly how the traditional ways of selling homes have become increasingly less and less effective in today's market. The fact of the matter is that fully three quarters of homesellers don't get what they want for their homes and become disillusioned and - worse - financially disadvantaged when they put their homes on the market.

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homesellers make 7 deadly mistakes that cost them literally thousands of dollars.

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Some Good News and a Lot of Uncertainty

Realtors discuss the mortgage market at finance summit.

BY ANDREA WORKER
THE CONNECTION

The Northern Virginia Association of Realtors (NVAR) hosted Finance Summit 2014 at their Fairfax Headquarters on Wednesday, May 21. The event brought together a panel of speakers with an impressive collection of credentials and expertise. Moderator Ken Harney's "Nation's Housing" column is nationally syndicated. Harney is also a member of the Federal Reserve Board Consumer Advisory Council, an author and commentator on real estate and mortgage issues, and the host of CNBC's "Real Estate Magazine" weekly television program.

Tony Porto, Regional Manager from event sponsor Access National Bank, opened the program. "There are some 11,000 members in your organization," he said, "and more than 50 choices of lenders. Service is what will differentiate one from the other." Porto had pens flying across notepaper when he explained the key features of a new lending product being offered by Access for loans up to 760K with no PMI and only 5 percent down required.

Joseph Minarik, Sr. V.P. and Director of Research – Committee for Economic Development, was the first presenter to address the gathering. With multiple degrees from Yale and Georgetown, and a background that includes a post as the Chief Economist of the Office of Management and Budget during the Clinton administration, Minarik warned that the financial "crystal ball" was cloudier than ever, particularly since "there is no real history for a downturn such as we have experience over that last seven years." Minarik spoke of the "Shadow Labor Force" – those who had virtually quit looking for work during this time – and the fact that no one could truly predict how many of them would come back into the workforce, and at what levels of productivity and income.

A FORMER COLLEAGUE of current Federal Reserve Chair Janet Yellen, Minarik expressed faith in the Fed and its monetary

VIEWPOINTS

What are your thoughts about the current mortgage environment: How is it affecting real estate market in Northern Virginia?"

— ANDREA WORKER

Margaret Ireland, Associate Broker, Weichert

"Interest rates are actually pretty good, especially compared to where they've been in the past. But the public doesn't see that. I agree that there needs to be a bit of a let up in all of the rules and regulations and challenges to the buying process, still keeping the risks in mind to avoid a repeat of this collapse."



Tracey Barrett, Barrett & Associates, LLC, Elite Group Realtors

"Whatever is going on, with proper coaching I can set up expectations to meet goals and deadlines. It's still a good time to buy, and a good time to sell. Rates are historically low, sellers can still get excellent prices. We all may have to work a little harder, but good business is there."



Andy Krumholz, Keller Williams Reston

"For most buyers the mortgage marketplace has not impacted their ability to obtain financing. The loan underwriters remain conservative in their analysis and are requiring more documentation from the borrowers than ever before. This often will elongate the loan approval process a bit, but typically does not hinder the borrowers ability to obtain financing. Borrowers need to be prepared to respond quickly to lenders questions and provide comprehensive information when asked."



policies, but less in the country's fiscal policy. "We are still at risk," he said. "We are not pre-destined to have a happy ending."

Steve Farbstein, Chairman, Virginia Bankers Association Mortgage Executives Committee and Richard Owen, VP Community Bank Division & Government Relations – Atlantic Bay Mortgage Group, did a combined presentation that spoke to some of the changes brought to the lending market by the 2,319 pages of the Dodd Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. Most realtors in the room acknowledged that they had not as of yet felt any

real negative effects from the legislation, even though it kicked in on Jan. 11 of this year. Farbstein credited much of the smoothness to the start up to the "Dodd Frank checklists that banks, brokers and other lenders have been working on for months." Both Farbstein and Owen reminded their audience that a strong realtor/lender partnership was still the best way for both to succeed, and to best satisfy their mutual customer – the homebuyer. The duo projected an overall positive outlook on the current mortgage market, saying that credit availability is getting better, homeownership in the region is up, while

delinquencies and foreclosures are down. "Yes, rates are rising a bit," said Owen, "but maybe we should use the times of the Savings and Loans crisis as a reminder. Compared to 17, 18, even 21 percent, 4 percent looks pretty good to me."

When it was his turn to present, Ken Harney took some time to chastise the lending policies that demand "a too high credit score, keeping many qualified people out of the buying process." Harney is also critical of the high, layered fees that he sees as "blocking growth." "There have been five increases in FHA lean fees in the last several years." Harney sees the mortgage market in something of a "vicious circle." Although he strongly agrees that no one wants to see a return to the boom/bust housing market, "too many people are afraid to let one (risky loan) through."

THE PROGRAM'S FINAL SPEAKER

apologized in advance of his remarks. "Sorry," said Stan Collender, Exec. VP, Qorvis/MSLGroup. "I don't have a PowerPoint. And I really only have a few things to say, starting with 'get use to it.'" Collender, who has worked for the House and Senate Budget Committees as well as three U.S. representatives on the House Budget and Ways and Means Committee thinks the way things are right now is the new normal for at least the rest of the decade. Providing numerous firsthand anecdotes of what he sees as fairly entrenched partisan politics on the Hill, Collender's prediction is that this Congress "will name some new post offices, but that's about it. There will not be any new Federal dollars, nothing new in the Federal budget arena, certainly no tax reform before 2019 at the earliest. "Describing a continued "tight and difficult period," Collender thinks that this will translate into people less likely to sell, even those ready to downsize. Many realtors in the room nodded in agreement, some commenting that the lack of inventory in some of the price ranges is definitely a barrier to their business.

The 2014 Finance Summit is just one of the many forums, seminars, networking events and educational programs offered by the NVAR at both their Fairfax headquarters, at the NVAR Herndon Center and elsewhere. More information is available on their website at www.nvar.com and on their Facebook page.

FARMERS MARKETS

SATURDAYS

Reston Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-noon. Saturdays, May 3-Nov. 9. Named the best farmers market in Northern Virginia by Virginia Living Magazine. Lake Anne Village Center, 11401 North Shore Drive, Reston. www.restonfarmersmarket.com.
Oakton Farmers Market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Year round. Unity of Fairfax Church, 2854 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton. www.smartmarkets.org/
Great Falls Farmers Market. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Year round. Great Falls Village Centre, 778 Walker Road, Great Falls. www.celebrategreatfalls.org/FarmersMarket.html.

Vienna Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Faith Baptist Church Parking Lot, 301 Center Street South, Vienna. www.viennafarmersmarket.com

SUNDAYS

McLean Farmers Market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Parking lot of the National Automobile Dealers Association 8400 Westpark Drive, McLean. www.smartmarkets.org/
Tyson's Farmers Market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. NADA Campus, Greensboro & Westpark Drive. www.tysonspartnership.org

WEDNESDAYS

Reston Farmers Market. 3-7 p.m. 12001

Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston. www.smartmarkets.org.

Frying Pan Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 2709 West Ox Road, Herndon. www.farmersmarketfryingpan.nova-antiques.com.

THURSDAYS

Herndon Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Thursdays, May 1-Nov. 13. Twelve Vendors sell a variety of products including kettle corn and fresh made Italian pasta. Old Town Herndon, 700 Block of Lynn St, Herndon. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets/herndonmkt.htm

FRIDAYS

McLean Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Fridays, May 2-Nov. 21. Vendors include an orchard and winery company and specialty berry farm. 1659 Chain Bridge Road, McLean. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets/mcleanmkt.htm
Kingstowne Farmers Market. 4-7 p.m. Fridays, May 2-Oct. 31. Giant Parking Lot, 5955 Kingstowne Towne Center, Alexandria. Vendors products include fresh organic honey, pies and rolls. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets/kingstownemkt.htm

CALENDAR

Send announcements to vienna@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Friday for the following week's paper. Photos/artwork encouraged.

THURSDAY/MAY 28-SATURDAY/MAY 31

Book Sales. Ongoing book sales at all libraries except George Mason, Tysons-Pimmit and Woodrow Wilson.

FRIDAY/MAY 30 - SUNDAY/JUNE 22

"Bat Boy: The Musical." Check website for times. 1st Stage Theatre in Tysons, 1524 Spring Hill Road, McLean. A musical comedy/horror spoof and satire on American prejudice featuring a half-boy, half-bat creature as the main character. Admission: \$15-\$32. <http://www.1stStageTysons.org/>. 703-854-1856.

FRIDAY/MAY 30

"Making a Comeback: Books That Move Us," a benefit for the Stroke Comeback Center. 12 - 2 p.m. Crowne Plaza Tysons Corner, 1960 Chain Bridge Road, McLean. The center is there for stroke survivors and wounded warriors after insurance for therapy ends - even though the patient is still regaining the ability to communicate. The non-profit Stroke Comeback Center operates on a sliding fee scale; no one is turned away for inability to pay. It is a safe, comfortable and effective place for an injured person to reclaim a good life. www.strokecomebackcenter.org

Vienna Summer Concerts on the Green. 6:30 p.m. Vienna Town Green, 144 Maple Avenue E, Vienna. Featuring Bill Emerson and the Sweet Dixie Band - Bluegrass. Bring chairs and picnic blankets. For the complete summer schedule, visit <http://www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?nid=879>.

SATURDAY/MAY 31

Salvador Dali: The Sculpture Collection Opening Premiere. 6-9 p.m. Wentworth Gallery, 1807 U. International Drive, McLean. Premiere event for renowned sculptures on exhibition and available for acquisition thru June 15. Free. RSVP at 703-833-0111.

Langley Varsity Baseball Team Vs. Alumni. 1 p.m. Nike Field 5. The 2014 Langley High School Varsity Baseball team coached by Kevin Healy takes on the Langley Alumni coached by Charlie Ayoub. Join us to recreate a little Great Falls community history dating back to the 1930s!

Maria Spearman (Tai-Chi and Stretch). 8-9 a.m. The Palladium Civic Place Green, 1445 Laughlin Avenue, McLean. 703-288-9505.

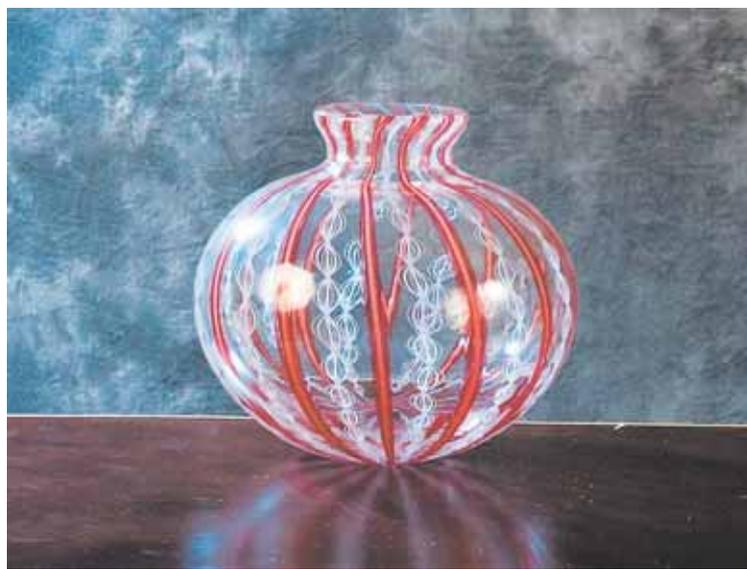
The Grandsons (Mixed Rock). 5-7 p.m. The Palladium Civic Place Green, 1445 Laughlin Avenue, McLean. 703-288-9505

Spring into Summer at Tysons West. 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. 1500 Cornerside Blvd., Tysons. DJ music, sidewalk chalking, hopscotch, a Bounce House, Jump Bunch action, and playful activities for all. www.tysonswest.com

Bow Making Workshop. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Riverbend Park, 8700 Potomac Hills Street, Great Falls. Participants make their own bows from scratch. The cost is \$160 per person. Register online. For information, call 703-759-9018. <http://parktakes.fairfaxcounty.gov>

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/MAY 31-JUNE 1

Great Falls Spring Show and Sale. 9 a.m. Village Green behind the Old Brogue Irish Pub/Katie's, 760 Walker Rd., Great Falls. Discover and delight in original art, limited edition prints,



Head out to the Great Falls Spring Show and Sale this Saturday, May 31 through Sunday, June 1. Discover and delight in original art such as this image created by artist Robert Maclay, limited edition prints, note cards, wall hangings, wearable fiber creations, home décor and more - something quite special for the individual collector or a perfect gift for a friend, hostess, relative or teacher.

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of despair with hope and levity, channeling influences from classic country ballads to early folk-rock. \$12.

2014 Celebrate Great Falls Foundation Golf Tournament. 7:30 a.m. Hidden Creek Country Club, Reston. All proceeds of this year's tournament will go to our three local elementary schools - Great Falls, Forestville and Colvin Run Elementary. www.greatfallsgolf.org

SUNDAY/JUNE 1

Against the Current + King The Kid + Once Upon A Time. 2 p.m. Jammin'Java- Mei, 227 Maple Ave East, Vienna. The Current is a 5-piece pop band with a growing social media presence and their first EP on the horizon. \$10-\$15. 703-255-1566.

Amadeus Orchestra with Rachel Franklin, piano. 4 p.m. St. Luke Catholic Church, 7001 Georgetown Pike, McLean. There will be a pre-concert lecture 45 min. before the concert, with reception following the concert. \$30. Free for students 17 and under. 703-759-5334.

An Evening with Bobby Long. 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave East, Vienna. A student of songcraft, England-born Bobby Long's reverence for American music runs deep, with influence ranging country to folk singers to modern day luminaries. \$15. 703-255-1566.

Vienna Summer Concerts on the Green. 6:30 p.m. Vienna Town Green, 144 Maple Avenue E, Vienna. Featuring Fat Chance - Rock. Bring chairs and picnic blankets. For the complete summer schedule, visit <http://www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?nid=879>.

Tysons Farmers Market. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. NADA Campus- 8400 Westpark Drive & Greensboro Drive. Shop fresh produce in the Tysons area. Market takes place until Nov. 16.

Summer Concerts on the Green. 6-8 p.m. Great Falls Centre Green. Experience Mike Terpak and the sounds of Blues Explosion. <http://www.celebrategreatfalls.org/>

Annual Pet Blessing. 2 p.m. Antioch Christian Church, 1860 Beulah Road, Vienna. Each pet will receive a certificate and blessing and a small gift charm. For more information go to <http://www.antiochdoc.org/> or call 703-938-6753. The public and all pets and caregivers are invited to attend.

MONDAY/JUNE 2

The Hello Strangers and Zoe Muth and the Lost High Rollers. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave East, Vienna. \$12.

Zoe Muth and the Lost High Rollers. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave East, Vienna. Muth brings us ten heartrending tales of the leaving and the left behind in her trademark style of infusing moments

TUESDAY/JUNE 3

Aaron & The Spell + Besides Daniel + JD Eicher. 8 pm. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave East, Vienna. Aaron & The Spell's debut, Sing, includes a stunning mix of honeyed ballads and simmering soul. \$10-13. 703-255-1566.

THURSDAY/JUNE 5-SUNDAY JUNE 8

Celebrate Fairfax! Celebrate Fairfax!, Northern Virginia's largest community-wide celebration, arrives June 6-8 to the Fairfax County Government Center. Twenty-five acres of vendors, exhibitors, rides, and nightly fireworks. 703-324-FAIR (3247) for all details.

FRIDAY/JUNE 6- SUNDAY JUNE 8

Disney's Beauty and the Beast. 2 and 8 pm. Wolf Trap- The Filene Center, 1551 Trap Rd, Vienna. "Be Our Guest!" Belle and her enchanted entourage prove love conquers all in this family-favorite musical with Oscar-winning score featuring "Something There" and "If I Can't Love Her." \$22-\$80. 703-255-1900.

SATURDAY/JUNE 7

Applause Unlimited presents "The Magic of Hans Christian Andersen". 2 p.m. The Alden, 1234 Ingleside Ave, McLean. In this award-winning show two puppeteers combine their talents to present three Hans Christian Andersen's best loved stories with puppetry, masks and storytelling. Ages 4+. \$15. 703-790-0123.

SUNDAY/JUNE 8

A Rhapsodic Duo. 4 p.m. St. Luke Catholic Church, 7001 Georgetown Pike, McLean. Pianist Thomas Pandolfi, known for his intensity and technical brilliance, along with cellist Doug Wolters, cellist of the Gettysburg Chamber Orchestra, present a variety of works for cello and piano. \$25. www.musicinmclean.org/2013-

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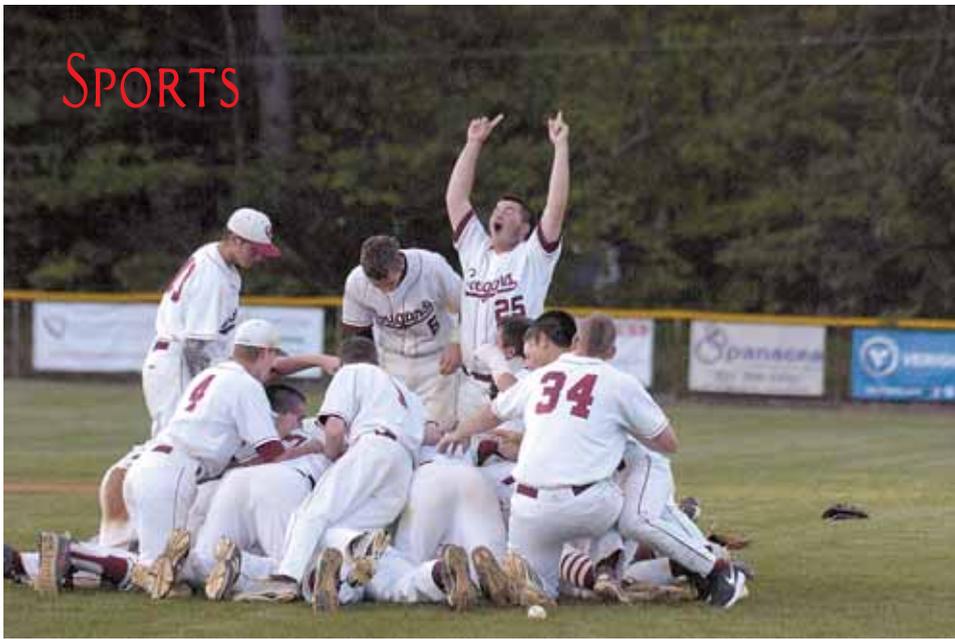
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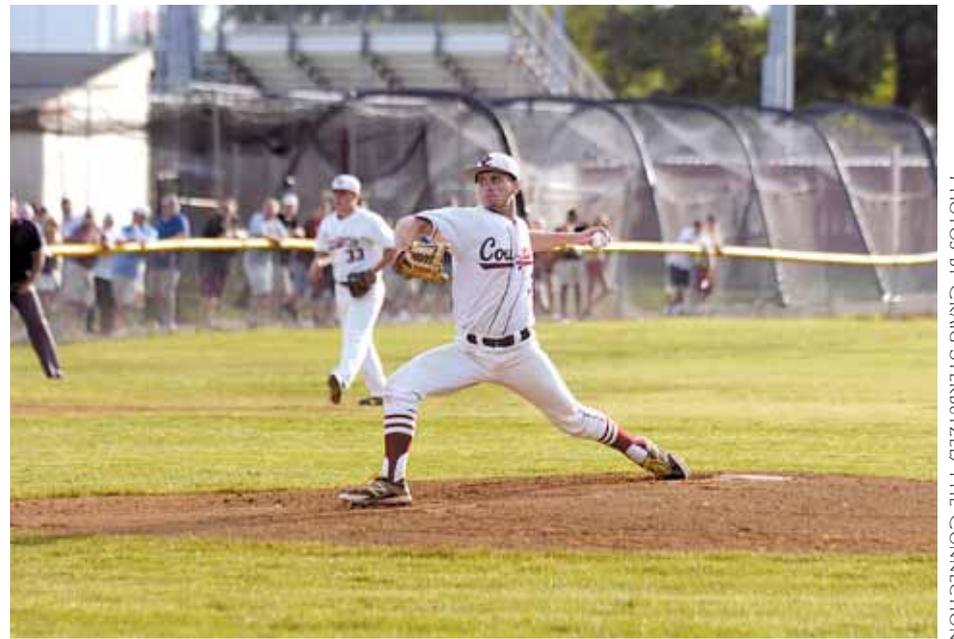
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SPORTS



The Oakton baseball team celebrates its 5-1 victory over Chantilly in the Conference 5 championship game on May 26 at Oakton High School.



Oakton senior Tommy Lopez earned a complete-game victory against Chantilly in the Conference 5 championship game on Monday.

PHOTOS BY CRAIG STERBUTZEL/THE CONNECTION

Oakton Lefty Lopez Pitches Cougars to Championship

Senior throws three-hitter against Chantilly in Conference 5 final.

BY JON ROETMAN
THE CONNECTION

Tommy Lopez's performance during the 2014 baseball season earned him Conference 5's top individual honor: Player of the Year.

On Monday night, the left-handed, strike-throwing senior helped determine he pitched for the conference's best team, as well.

Lopez tossed a complete-game three-hitter against the Chantilly Chargers, leading the Oakton Cougars to a 5-1 victory in the Conference 5 championship game at Oakton High School. Lopez allowed one earned run over seven innings while walking none and striking out six.

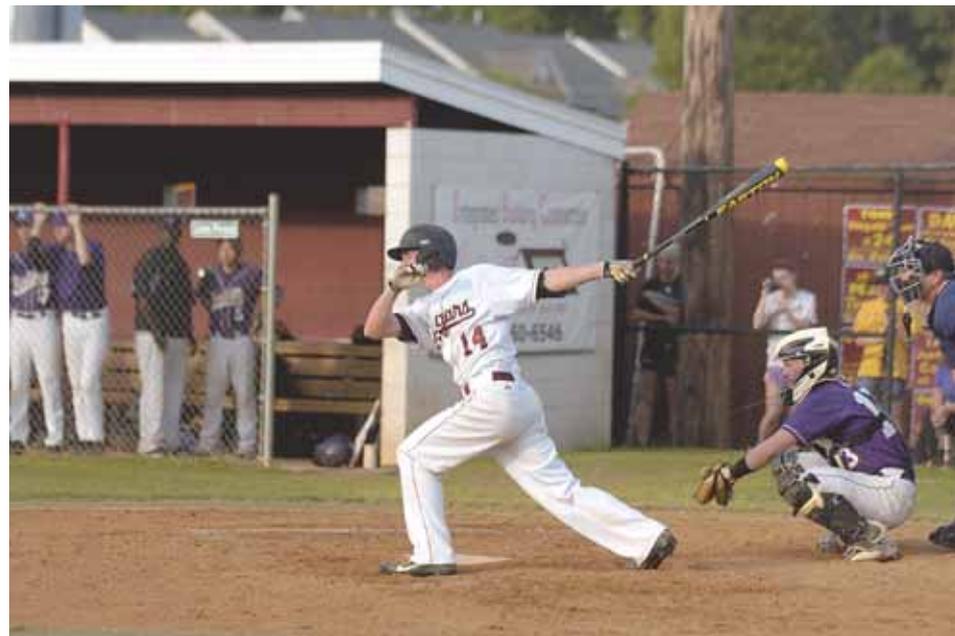
"I got Player of the Year," Lopez said, "so I kind of felt like I needed to put the team on my back a little bit and just kind of go out there and win this game."

LOPEZ put Oakton in position to win by getting ahead in the count. No. 7 tossed a first-pitch strike to 21 of the 24 batters he faced. He threw 60 of 80 pitches for strikes and went to just two three-ball counts.

How important is working ahead for Lopez?

"It's really important, because I don't have an overpowering fastball, so I have to hit my spots," he said. "When I hit them early, I can come back with the off-speed [pitches] that I really like to [throw]. It just makes pitching so much easier."

Lopez allowed just one infield single through the first five innings. Chantilly finally broke through in the sixth, when center fielder Mike Sciorra drove in a run with a two-out double, tying the score at 1. Oakton responded with four runs in the bottom half, however, and Lopez retired the Chargers in order in the seventh.



Oakton freshman Ryan Davis went 2-for-3 with an RBI during the Conference 5 championship game on Monday night.

"He was just outstanding," Oakton head coach Justin Janis said about Lopez. "He just needed to be himself tonight and that's exactly what he did. [He] just [pounded] the strike zone, he mixed his pitches up and that's going to work in high school."

For the Cougars, it was their second consecutive conference/district title. Oakton defeated Chantilly 5-4 in the 2013 Concorde District championship game, and would later finish Northern Region runner-up and advance to the state semifinals. The Cougars graduated several standouts from that team, including second baseman Joey Bartosic (George Washington University), shortstop Mitchell Carroll (UMBC) and outfielder Brian Burns (Mary Washington), but Oakton managed to repeat as champions.

"Every [title] is special in its own way," Janis said. "This is a team [from which] I

didn't know what to expect coming into this year, I really didn't. They've really just kind of answered every challenge we threw at them. I'm just really proud of these guys. So many of them put in a lot of time to be good baseball players and I think the game is paying them back a little bit."

OAKTON had some young players step up in big moments Monday night. With the score tied at 1 in the bottom of the sixth, sophomore pinch hitter Chris Ivener loaded the bases when his 10-pitch at-bat ended in a walk. Sophomore right fielder Kyle Christy and freshman center fielder Ryan Davis followed with back-to-back RBI singles, giving the Cougars a 3-1 advantage. Oakton would add two more runs on a Chantilly error.

"It was definitely a big loss for us," Christy said of graduating several standouts from

the 2013 Oakton team, "but in a way it was also a big gain because we really stepped up. We knew that we lost some key players. We prepared ourselves really well for that. We knew what we needed to get done and we did it. We're here now, so obviously it's working."

How did Davis feel being a freshman with a chance to come through in a pressure situation?

"Honestly, to me, it always feels just like any of my other at-bats," Davis said about his sixth-inning trip to the plate. "It's the same thing: pitcher pitches the ball, you hit the ball. Plus, there was a little pressure taken off — Kyle had a great hit and got that run in."

I had confidence that he would do that because he's a great hitter."

Christy and Davis each finished 2-for-3 with an RBI. Sophomore shortstop Joe Rizzo had a hit and an RBI. Lopez, senior catcher Brandon Brodsky, senior first baseman Dale Good, junior designated hitter Cooper Mitchell, and junior third baseman Connor Jones each had one hit for Oakton.

Chantilly starting pitcher Austin Margarida suffered the tough-luck loss. The senior right-hander allowed two runs and seven hits over five-plus innings. Chantilly head coach Kevin Ford pulled Margarida after he allowed a leadoff single to Lopez, Oakton's cleanup hitter, in the sixth inning with the score tied at 1. Lopez's courtesy runner, Matt Tanenbaum, came around to score with Chantilly reliever Matt Hogle on the mound.

"I thought we played well," Ford said. "[Oakton] played a great game. They played a mistake-free game. Their pitcher threw strikes and we just didn't quite hit it enough to get us in a good spot. Hats off to them. They beat us tonight. ... [Margarida] gave us everything you could ask for. He kept us in the game. He's throwing against the Player of the Year in the district. He did awesome."

Sciorra went 2-for-3 for Chantilly. Right fielder Andrew Cragg finished 1-for-2 with.

Oakton (14-7) and Chantilly (13-7) will each host a game in the 6A North region tournament on Friday, May 30.

"I got Player of the Year, so I kind of felt like I needed to put the team on my back a little bit and just kind of go out there and win this game."

— Oakton senior Tommy Lopez

NEWS



Vienna Students Meet Their Congressman

Students from the Student Council Association of Freedom Hill Elementary School in Vienna meet with Congressman Gerry Connolly in his Capitol Hill office on Monday, May 19. The students, who were elected by their peers to serve on the SCA, were on a visit to the Capitol to view their government in action. The students are: (from left) Rohan Jain, Michael Lusick, Mary Margaret Lusick, Rep. Connolly, Kelly Hager, Morgan Parker, Sonia Naik, and Aya Khanji.

BULLETIN BOARD

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THURSDAY/MAY 29

One-on-one reading time. School age.
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FRIDAY/MAY 30

English Conversation Group. 10 a.m. Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Ave East, Vienna. English conversation group. Adults.
Pokemon League. 3 p.m. Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Ave East, Vienna. Learn and play! Ages 5-8.

SATURDAY/MAY 31

Inequality for All Documentary. 8:30 a.m. Lewinsville Presbyterian Church, 1724 Chain Bridge Road, McLean. A documentary narrated by economist Robert Reich on growing income inequality in the U.S. and the risks that presents for our economic recovery and even our political system and democracy.

TUESDAY/JUNE 3

The Great Falls Senior Center (GFSC) holds a luncheon hosted by River Bend Country Club, 375 Walker Road, Great Falls, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Lunch includes appetizer, entrée, and dessert choices with coffee or tea. Reservations are limited, at a cost of \$30 per person (tip and tax included). Call Deeda

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THURSDAY/JUNE 5

The Josh Anderson Foundation and Safe Community Coalition (SCC) present "Teen-to-Teen Mental Health Summit", 7 p.m.-9 p.m., Alden Theatre, 1234 Ingleside Avenue, McLean. A panel of local teens from Langley High School, McLean High School and Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology will be sharing their stories about living with anxiety and depression and how they want to erase the stigma of talking about these issues among their peers and in the community. This will be followed by parent and teen breakout groups with discussion facilitated by educators and mental health professionals. This is a free event, but, seating is limited. Reserve your seat today at: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0A48A4A722A46-teenototen>. For more information visit www.joshafoundation.org and www.safecommunitycoalition.net.

SATURDAY/JUNE 21

McLean Child Safety Inspection. 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. Lewinsville Center, 1609 Great Falls Street, McLean. The McLean District Police Station holds child safety seat inspections once per month.

SATURDAY/JULY 19

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FAITH NOTES

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

The Antioch Christian Church, 1860 Beulah Road in Vienna, will hold their annual Pet Blessing on Sunday, June 1, at 2 p.m. Each pet will receive a certificate and blessing and a small gift charm. For more information go to <http://www.antiochdoc.org/> or call 703-938-6753. The public and all pets and caregivers are invited to attend.

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. 703-941-7000 or www.havenofnova.org.

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St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church, 1830 Kirby Road in McLean, holds a third Sunday service every month at 10:15 a.m. which 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.

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Team Up



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Just as "everyone knows Geico can save you 15 percent in 15 minutes," that is, if you watch television, listen to radio, access the Internet or even sit on the beach at Ocean City and watch the single-engine planes flying by pulling banners; so too do people know that when your primary care physician tells you that you need to meet with an oncologist to discuss your recent medical results, you should bring along family, friends, advocates, doctors, lawyers, etc. (your presumptive "team"), because, well, you know why: your life may depend on it.

It's also common, anecdotal knowledge that the patient receiving the diagnosis (in my case, a cancer diagnosis), is likely not hearing as many words as they think they are hearing. Moreover, as much as the patient is listening and concentrating on what the doctor is saying, the shock of the words, especially after the "c" word is uttered, does something to your cognitive functioning. It doesn't exactly stop, but it's no longer working as efficiently. Hours later (or even minutes later, outside of the doctor's office), when you're reviewing and discussing – and attempting to digest the words/diagnosis/prognosis you just heard, and perhaps even consider the treatment protocols recommended and the likely dramatic change in your life/future (heck, present), it all becomes a blur and your memory is hardly what you remember. It's not a blank by any means, but neither is it as clear and concise as you expected it to be.

Having other/multiple sets of ears listening to the same advisory from your oncologist as you the patient hears returns some of the clarity that's missing from your own recollection. Generally speaking, in this environment, there is a need for some dispassionate perspective, and often the patient is way too connected – obviously, to process the information and be the least bit objective. Aside from this need for a team, there is also a need to capture and maybe even synthesize the information presented for future consideration. We didn't, but I've heard stories of patients who had team members with clipboard in hand taking notes and/or using recording devices for replays later. The collection and replay of information helps the patient be certain that what he thinks he heard (or what he's already forgotten) is either correct and/or not lost in the extremely stressful moment. Having an agreed-to sense of what your new reality is, what your treatment options are going forward, what the likely consequences of those options are, and quite frankly, what the likely outcome is for all of it, is a tremendous amount of information to keep together and in some kind of order when your brain has just been split apart (figuratively speaking) by words you thought you'd never hear: "cancer, terminal, inoperable" said in your direction.

Unfortunately, there's no real preparation or training for this kind of experience. As strong and as capable as you may think you are, a cancer diagnosis disrupts everything. At the initial meeting with your oncologist, what you hear and what you remember are not always the same. "Team" members can confirm what was said, and there's lots of comfort in that at a time when, somehow, some way, you need to be comfortable.

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Seth McNair of McLean, a student at Landon School in Bethesda, Md. will participate in the 2014 U.S. Naval Academy (USNA) Summer Seminar program. USNA invited a select group of approximately 2,550 young men and women from around the nation and abroad to attend the Naval Academy Summer Seminar program this year. Summer Seminar is a fast-paced leadership experience for rising seniors in high school. This program helps educate, motivate and prepare selected students who are considering applying for admission to USNA.

For more information about the Naval Academy, visit: www.usna.edu or the USNA Admissions Facebook page.

Ten Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) students earned top 10 finishes at the DECA International Career Development Conference held recently in Atlanta.

The following FCPS students earned a top 10 finish at the national level:

- ◆ Paige Ahmed, Sophie Eaton, and Lauren Fisher of Robinson Secondary School, Learn and Earn Project.

- ◆ Conor Boyle and Emma Heiden of Marshall High School, Marketing Communications Team.

- ◆ Sydney Applegate and Mason Hawkins of Oakton High School, Hospitality Services Team.

- ◆ Michael Briody and Wes Hammerschmidt of Marshall High School, Buying and Merchandising Team.

- ◆ Claire Heiden of Marshall High School, Principles of Marketing.

A total of 37 FCPS students were recognized as finalists at the 2014 competition.

Longfellow Middle School students **Aaditya Singh, Franklyn Wang, and William Sun** have qualified to the United States of America Junior Mathematical Olympiad (USAJMO) 2014. The USAJMO is an invitation only competition where the MAA invites the top scoring 230 students (10th graders and below across the US) based on a combination of their performance in the AMC-10 and AIME competitions. See more at: <http://www.maa.org/node/79/#USAMO>

Courtney Cross, of Great Falls, graduated from Bishop O'Connell high school. She is a sophomore at Villanova University and was named to the Dean's List for the fall semester of 2013.

Matthew Kent, of Vienna, was named to the Dean's List at Carnegie Mellon University for the fall semester of 2013.

Aline Dolinh, 15, is a sophomore at Oakton High School in Vienna and has been appointed as the National Student Poet by the President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities. Dolinh will participate in readings and workshops at libraries, museums and schools in Virginia as well as create community service projects to expand their reach while increasing engagement in the literary arts.

Live entertainment on the Town Green, on the children's stage and main stage, afforded a respite from the strolling crowds as families sat on the lawn.



Once vendors came in on Sunday, everything got busier ... including lines for the amusement rides.

PHOTOS BY DONNA MANZ/THE CONNECTION

ViVa! Vienna! Marks Another Fun-filled Festival

Three-day carnival featured 350 vendors, food, rides and live entertainment.

BY DONNA MANZ
THE CONNECTION

Vienna Rotary could not have ordered a more ideal setting of blue skies and dry heat for ViVa! Vienna!, the club's annual three-day festival running along the historic Church Street corridor, Saturday through Monday. ViVa! Vienna! is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Vienna, in partnership with the Town of Vienna.

"This is so Vienna," said D.H. Scarborough, manning the Vienna Business Association booth. "The community is here together. There's food, vendors and fun."

Church Street closed to vehicular traffic between Mill and Center streets on opening day, Saturday, May 24. Day one of the three-day festival brought in the amusement rides, entertainment on the main and the kids' stages, and food vendors.

For many families, Saturday kick-off meant shorter lines at the amusement rides, although the spring-like weather drew in a greater number of visitors than usual, it appeared. The spider jump had the longest line on Saturday. Rides and music were the big draws on opening day.

Food stands sold international fare, fried snacks, carnival-style hand-held meals – turkey legs to corn dogs – ice creams and cold drinks. The most popular treats passing by were the corn dogs and potato chip-like "ribbon" fries.

ON SUNDAY AND MONDAY, Church Street was closed for vehicles from Mill Street to Lawyers' Road and ViVa! Vienna! took over the neighborhood from morning to night. Thousands and thousands of visitors to ViVa! Vienna! and hundreds of volunteers – from Rotary to other civic groups – filled the streets as 350 vendors sold food, goods and services. Live entertainment was



TV host Noah Cappe of "Carnival Eats," a new Food Network program, takes a look at some of the food Kara Maucer just bought for Caeden and Riley Demony.

presented on a children's stage and the main stage, and, on Sunday, Vienna Idol offered all-day performances from its semi-finalists.

Vocalist Hannah Colbert, 17, paid tribute to her grandmother, former mayor M. Jane Seeman, when she kicked off Vienna Idol semi-finals with the National Anthem on Sunday at 11 a.m. "I think she'd be proud," said Hannah. "I am more happy than sad. Yes, I think she's here."

Vienna Idol organizer Michael Amouri honored Seeman during the day. "There's a void in the hearts of those who knew her," he said, noting that Seeman was a big supporter of Vienna Idol, First Night Vienna and the Town Green. A white balloon flew up in the air when Hannah began to sing. "Everything you see here, Mayor Seeman had a part in."

Amouri reminded guests of the solemnity of Memorial Day. A different vocalist singing the National Anthem preceded each round, and along Church Street, people stopped to pay respect.

A production team for the Food Network's new program, "Carnival Eats," set up early Sunday morning and returned on Monday. "Carnival Eats" host Noah Cappe chatted



Mom Carol Burchett bought son Ben Escoto, 11, fried red velvet funnel cakes.

with ViVa! Vienna! visitors and Rotarians, alike. A highlight of their presence was segments with local people in which "Carnival Eats" brought carnival eats to "tasters" and videotaped their assessment. Cappe used his wit in his banter with such community luminaries as Mayor Laurie di Rocco, VVFD Fire Chief John Morrison, Vienna Rotarians, and, even a local newspaper reporter. Nobody in Vienna will know who made the video cut until late August, early September.

"We're heading out into carnivals across the country," said Cappe. "There are a lot of talented people with a passion for food, real food being cooked by passionate chefs. We talk to them about their process and we get opinions of their food from the people eating it at these carnivals." Cappe remarked that some of the nation's food vendors spend six to 10 months a year on the road.

ON MEMORIAL DAY at noon, Rotary paid tribute to the fallen. Local officials from the Town of Vienna to Congressman Gerry Connolly were scheduled to make comments at the Memorial Day ceremony. County officials stopped by ViVa! Vienna! as well. Fairfax County Sheriff Stacey

VIEWPOINTS

What do you like the most about ViVa! Vienna!?

— DONNA MANZ/THE CONNECTION

Tom Kylo, Vienna

"It brings out the best of our community. Over the years, the businesses have really embraced the event. It's become more of a melding of festival and local businesses."



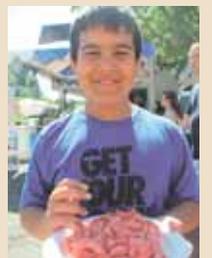
Del. Mark Keam (D-35), Vienna

"So many people, from all over the area, choose to come here. It's a fun event but there's an awareness that the freedoms we enjoy today were won by many who sacrificed their lives."



Ben Escoto, 11

"The rides, like the Rainbow."



Kincaid spent a large part of the day at ViVa! Vienna!, walking Church Street with Del. Mark Keam (D-35) and stopping by Vienna Idol.

The arms of the festival reach beyond the Vienna area.

The Rotary Club of Vienna, as a service and humanitarian club, gives back to the community its ViVa! Vienna! net proceeds. In 2014, Rotary is presenting checks to schools, nonprofits and the Town of Vienna equaling more than \$167,000 collectively.

"ViVa! Vienna!'s what Vienna is all about," said Scarborough.

Summer ²⁰¹⁴ Fun

Food Arts Entertainment

These children – and dad – were ready for the Pooches on Parade. The little girl holding the stuffed dog had recently lost her living canine family member and carried the closest thing to the dog parade at the Town of Vienna's 4th of July festival last year.



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UNDER THE STREETLAMP GENTLEMAN'S RULE
Retro Jersey Boys quartet with male a cappella powerhouse
MAY 30



DISNEY'S BEAUTY AND THE BEAST
JUNE 6-8



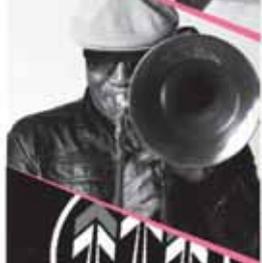
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Summer Fun Food Arts Entertainment



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Concerts on the Vienna Town Green kick off May 30.



The annual Town of Vienna 4th of July festival takes over Cherry Street, the community center and the ball fields. In the evening, the town presents a fireworks display at Southside Park.

Something for Everyone This Summer in Vienna

From camps to concerts, festivals to fireworks, there's something for everyone.

BY DONNA MANZ
THE CONNECTION

If you live in Vienna, you'll have fun, fun, fun, long after your daddy takes your T-bird away. From concerts on the Town Green to sprinklers on the Town Green, from festivals and fireworks to book sales and live theatre, day camps to teen excursion camps, there's something for every age, every interest.

The Department of Parks and Recreation even sells theme park tickets to Busch Gardens and King's Dominion.

Go to www.viennava.gov for details of Town of Vienna community events and activities.

Vienna Rotary's ViVa! Vienna! kicked off

the summer over Memorial Day weekend with its annual three-day festival. There's still lots of fun things to do once school ends.

CONCERTS ON THE GREEN KICK OFF MAY 30

The installation of a new roof over the stage delayed the launch of the 2014 Town of Vienna Concerts on the Green. Concerts start at 6:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Concert season kicks off on May 30 with Bill Emerson and the Sweet Dixie Band. Fat Chance, a popular Vienna rock group, performs June 1, followed by Vienna Idol finals on June 6.

For the younger kids, there's Rocknoceros, kiddie-pop favorites, on Wednesday, June

18. Networking for the Arts Foundation presents programming on June 25.

HVI USED BOOK SALE, JUNE 7 AND 8

It has no food for sale, no live entertainment, no amusement rides, yet, it is one of June's most-anticipated events ... it's the annual Historic Vienna, Inc. mega-used book sale. Thousands and thousands of books from every genre are organized by category in the gym of the Vienna Community Center for two days, June 7 and 8, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Net proceeds benefit Historic Vienna, Inc. and its yearly programming and special events. For HVI members, there is a preview night on June 6. That in itself is worth joining HVI. For details, go to www.historicviennainc.org.

TOWN OF VIENNA DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION:

Sports camps for children, preschool to 18 years old begins when Fairfax County schools close for the summer. Camps run weekly and cost varies. Sports camps include specific training, such as lacrosse or tennis, or "all-sports."

TEEN EXCURSION CAMP

From June 23 to Aug. 4, Parks and Rec offers a weekly five-day agenda for kids 11 to 15 years old. Kids try their hands at white-water tubing, ropes, hiking and visit to theme parks. Excursion camp runs 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost is \$250 for residents, \$300 for non-residents, for the five-day camp. Call 703-255-6360 for information.

SUMMER STORIES AND SPRINKLERS

Young kids love to run through water sprinklers on the grass. The Town of Vienna needs to water the lawn of the Town Green. Parks and Recreation merged the two and came up with stories and sprinkler time on

the Town Green. Under a shade tree at the Little Library, a storyteller reads to the kids at 1 p.m. Then, at 1:30 p.m., the sprinklers are turned on for the kids to run through. Wear a bathing suit and bring a towel. Thursday afternoons, from June 26 to Aug. 7.

JULY 4TH FESTIVAL AND FIREWORKS DISPLAY

From 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the 4th of July, the Town of Vienna turns its fields, the community center and Cherry Street over to its annual festival honoring Independence Day. There's inflatables for young kids, carnival food and beer sold throughout the day, live music performed by the rockin' Jimmy Buffett Tribute Band, crafts, antique and classic car show, arts and crafts for sale, and the swoon-worthy Pooches on Parade (registration for dogs at 10:30 a.m.) Costumed dogs march at 11 a.m. Stuffed dogs permitted.

New this year is the Old Bay Circus Show, a one-ring presentation showcasing aerial. SEE CELEBRATE SUMMER, PAGE 7



Historic Vienna, Inc. sells thousands upon thousands of used books at its annual mega-used book sale. The book sale is at the Vienna Community Center June 7 and 8, all day. Books are arranged according to genre and kids' books have their own area.

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Summer Fun Fairs & Festival 2014

May

THROUGH JUNE 16

Arlington National Cemetery 150th Anniversary Observation. Join the 150th anniversary commemoration of the establishment as a National Cemetery. Features guided tours, lectures, and ceremonies. Ticketed and free. Check www.arlingtoncemetery.mil for details.

WEDNESDAYS THROUGH AUG. 6

Twilight Tattoo: A Military Pageant, Arlington. 7 p.m. Fort Myer, Arlington. Listen to an hour long ceremony by the 3rd US Infantry Regiment, the US Army Drill Team, the Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps, as well as many more. Free. Visit www.usarmyband.com for more.

THURSDAY-SUNDAY/ MAY 29-JUNE 1

34th Annual Herndon Festival. The Town of Herndon's Parks and Recreation Department hosts the annual Herndon Festival. This is a town-wide event and attracts more than 80,000 people from the greater Washington, D.C. Metropolitan area. There is no admission fee to enter the Herndon Festival. Visit www.herndonfestival.net for more.

FRIDAYS/MAY 30-AUG. 22

Rosslyn Summer Film Festival. 8-10 p.m. Gateway Park. Enjoy work and office-themed movies, including *Horrible Bosses* and *Office Space*, Fridays in Rosslyn. Free. Visit www.rosslynva.org for more.

SATURDAY/MAY 31

Arlington, Celebration & Pancake Breakfast. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The Ball-Sellers House, 5620 S. Third Street. The Ball-Sellers House will be open all day for free tours after the pancake breakfast and then will invite visitors to relax under the wisteria arbor after the parade for colonial treats and lemonade. Visit www.arlingtonhistoricalsociety.org for more.

Spring into Summer. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Tysons West, 1500 Cornerside Blvd., Tysons Corner. Activities for all ages, plus goodies, sidewalk chalking, hopscotch, and a bouncy house. Bring bikes for donation to Bikes for the World. Free. Rain or shine. 703-476-9377.

Vintage VA Winefest Bus Trip. 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Clyde's, Reston Town Center, 11905 Market St., Reston. Hop on the All-Inclusive Vintage VA Winefest Bus, including VIP admission ticket, amenities and souvenirs. \$49.99+. Call 703-251-4800.

SATURDAY/MAY 31-SUNDAY/JUNE 1

Great Tastes of Tysons. 1-6 p.m. Lerner Town Square at Tysons II, 8025 Galleria Drive, at the Tysons Corner Metro Stop (between Tysons Corner Mall and the Galleria). Enjoy a festival of all sorts of food. Visit www.tastetysons.com for more.

Vintage Wine and Food Festival. Bull Run Regional Park, 7700 Bull Run Drive, Centerville. A fun-filled day with food, musical entertainment and more. Visit www.vintagevirginia.com for more.

Clifton, Tournaments for Turf: Moonlight Madness. 6 p.m. Braddock Park, Braddock Road, Clifton. All night (begins 6 p.m., Sunday, May 31 and wraps up Sunday morning), co-ed adult softball extravaganza includes three-game, 55-minute game guarantee. \$275-\$300. Registration deadline: May 28. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/

tournaments-for-turf or call 703-324-8759.

Great Falls Studios Spring Art Show & Sale. Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, 11 a.m.-8 p.m. 790 Walker Road, Great Falls. Twenty-five Great Falls Studios member artists – painters in oil acrylic, watercolor and mixed media, potters, photographers, jewelers, fiber artists, a weaver and one who works in glass – are participating. Visit www.greatfallsstudios.com/calendar.php for more.

Springfield Days/Party in the Park. 8 a.m.-8:30 p.m., South Run Park, 7550 Reservation Drive, Springfield. Springfield Days is a community wide celebration that includes a 5K run, "Pet Fest," car show and more. Movie in the Park begins at dusk. Visit www.springfielddays.com for more.

June

SUNDAY/JUNE 1

Cardboard Boat Regatta. 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield. Witness the cardboard boat creations race along Lake Accotink's shoreline at 2 p.m. \$4 vehicle fee. Call 703-569-0285 or email julie.tahan@fairfaxcounty.gov. Visit www.springfielddays.com for more.

Herndon Festival 5K/10K Races. 7:30 a.m. Herndon Community Center, 814 Ferndale Ave, Herndon. 703-787-7300.

SUNDAYS/JUNE 1 -AUG. 17

Concerts on the Green. 6-8 p.m. Great Falls Village Green. Sundays in June, July and August. Visit www.gfvcca.com/concerts.htm for more.

MONDAYS/JUNE 2-AUG. 25

Crystal Screen: In Flight. 1851 S. Bell St. Rain or shine. Movies begin after sunset. Free. Visit www.crystalcity.org for more.

MONDAY/JUNE 2

Reston, Annual Golf Tournament. 7:30 a.m. Hidden Creek Country Club, 1711 Clubhouse Road, Reston. Proceeds to benefit local elementary schools. Register online at www.celebrategreatfalls.org.

THURSDAY/JUNE 5- JULY 17

Sunsets with a Soundtrack at Brucker Hall. 8 p.m. Brucker Hall on Fort Myer, Arlington. Sit back and enjoy the sounds of the U.S. Army as they commemorate and acknowledge different historical events. Free. Visit www.usarmyband.com for cancellations and location changes.

FRIDAY/JUNE 6

Go West! Alexandria West End Food Truck Rodeo. 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Parking lot of Southern Towers Apartments, 4901 Seminary Road, Alexandria. Visitors can look forward to favorite trucks like the popular Red Hook Lobster truck, sips from local Port City Brewing Co. as well as non-food vendors and children's activities. Free admission. Visit www.AlexandriaWEBA.com for more.

FRIDAY/JUNE 6-SUNDAY/JUNE 8

Celebrate Fairfax! Festival. Friday: 8 p.m.-midnight; Saturday: 10 a.m.-midnight; and Sunday: 11 a.m.-7p.m. Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Musical performances, rides, games and food. Call 703-324-3247 or visit www.celebratefairfax.com/.

THURSDAY/JUNE 5-26

Alexandria, War of 1812 Outdoor Concert Series. Thursdays from 6-7:30 p.m. Carlyle House, 121 N. Fairfax Street, Alexandria. Pack a picnic dinner and blanket and enjoy a concert on the Carlyle House's lawn, featuring live 1812-themed music of the era. 703-549-2997. Suggested donation \$5. Visit www.VisitAlexandriaVA.com/1812 for more.

FRIDAYS/JUNE 6-AUG. 22

Herndon Friday Night Live! 6:30 p.m. 777 Lynn Street, Herndon. Listen to great music on Friday nights during the summer. Visit herndonrocks.com/schedule.php for more.

SATURDAY/JUNE 7

Alexandria, Canine Cruise. 11 a.m. Also July 19 and Aug. 9. Alexandria City Marina, 1 Cameron St., Alexandria. Tour the Alexandria Seaport on this 60-minute waterfront excursion. Dogs must be on 6 ft. flat leash at all times. \$15/adults; \$9/children; dogs ride free. Call 703-684-0580 or visit www.PotomacRiverboatCo.com/canine-cruise.php.

SATURDAY/JUNE 7

Relay for Life. 1 p.m. Herndon Middle School, 901 Locust St., Herndon. Visit www.relayforlife.org for more.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/ JUNE 7-8

Lake Anne Plaza's Chalk on the Water Festival. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Lake Anne Plaza Waterfront, 1609 Washington Plaza, Reston. If you ever wanted to paint the bricks without getting in trouble, all ages are welcome to paint Lake Anne Plaza in a Technicolor hue as participants turns the plaza into a chalk art gallery. \$5-\$15. Register at www.chalkonthewater.com for more.

SUNDAY JUNE 8

Lake Anne Summer Film Festival. 8 p.m. (sundown). Recurring monthly on the 2nd Sunday (July 13, Aug. 10 and Sept. 14). Lake Anne Plaza, 1609 Washington Plaza, Reston. For a full list of films shown, visit <http://lakeanneplaza.com/event/lake-anne-summer-film-festival/>

THURSDAYS/JUNE 12-AUG. 28

Take a Break Concert Series. 7-9 p.m. Lake Anne Plaza, 11404 Washington Plaza W, Reston. On Thursdays, take a break with this outdoor concert series. Visit www.restoncommunitycenter.com/take-a-break.shtml for weekly lineup.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY/JUNE 13-14

Taste of Reston. Friday: 3-11 p.m.; Saturday: noon-11 p.m. Reston Town Center, 11900 Market St., Reston. Carnival games and rides with a family fun zone. Visit www.restontaste.com for more.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/JUNE 13-15

Tinner Hill Blues Festival. Various locations around Falls Church. The Tinner Hill Blues Festival is the only three-day event in Falls Church. There will be all kinds of blues for all ages, all weekend, all over town. Visit <http://tinnerhill.org/blues-festival> for more.

SATURDAY JUNE 14

War of 1812 Commemoration Boat Cruise. Boarding at 6:45 p.m., cruise 7-10 p.m. Alexandria City Marina, 1



The F.F.C. Caporales Universitarios de San Simon provides a lively and energetic performance at the 2013 Celebrate Fairfax Festival.

When & Where

Celebrate Fairfax takes place Friday, June 6 - Sunday, June 8, at the Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Friday, June 6: 6 p.m.-midnight; Saturday, June 7: 10 a.m.-midnight; and Sunday, June 8: 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Visit <http://celebratefairfax.com/> for details.



Emma and Jack Carey with mom Tara Carey, at Centreville, meet one of the donkeys at the petting zoo at the three-day 2013 Celebrate Fairfax Festival.



Alex Childs, of Springfield, tests his agility in the midway game Wipeout at the three-day 2013 Celebrate Fairfax Festival

Cameron St. This tour includes period-inspired food, accounts of the Battle of the White House at Fort Belvoir and Fort Washington. \$75; \$100/sponsor-level. 703-746-4242. Visit www.VisitAlexandriaVA.com/ 1812 for more.

Art in the Courtyard. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Lorton Station Town Center. Artists from the Workhouse Arts Center, Torpedo Art Factory and Historic Occoquan will be featuring their works including paintings, jewelry, sculpture, photography, blown glass, pottery, wood work, and digital artwork. Visit www.lortonstationtowncenter.com/calendar-of-events.html for more.

Mount Vernon Nights: Alt Washingtonia (Bavarian). 7-8 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. Alt Washingtonia performs traditional Alpine dances from Germany and Austria. Performances include the long alphorns, yodeling and singing, cowbell-ringing, musical saw, button-box accordion, zither, and mountain dulcimer. Visit www.workhousearts.org or call 703-584-2900.

Once Upon a Time... (Costume Ball Fundraiser). 7:30-10 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Rd, Lorton. The evening includes music, dancing, silent auction, food, and performances by cabaret vocalists. Costumes with a fairy-tale theme are not required for entry, but there will be door prizes for the most

imaginative costumes. Admission is limited, so early reservations are strongly recommended. \$40. Visit www.workhousearts.org or call 703-584-2900.

Become a Pilot Family Day and Aviation Display. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. National Air & Space Museum, 14390 Air & Space Museum Parkway, Chantilly. See 50 visiting vintage, recreational, military, and homebuilt aircraft, on display outside the Center for one day only. Talk to pilots and find out what skills are needed to fly. Inside the Center, test your piloting skills in flight simulators, talk to aviation experts, and enjoy story time and hands-on activities with the kids. Visit <http://becomeapilot.si.edu> for more.

Father's Day Golf Tournament. Burke Lake Golf Center, 7315 Ox Road, Fairfax Station. 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Teams of two compete in an 18-hole scramble format in three divisions: Father/Jr. 7-12; Father/Jr. 13-17; Father/Adult partner. Closest to the pin contests. Prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place in all three divisions. Limited to first 48 teams. Registration begins two weeks prior to event. \$65/team. Fee due at time of registration, includes lunch. Call 703-323-1641.

SATURDAY/JUNE 14

The Old Town Arts and Crafts Fair in collaboration with ArtsFEST. 2-8 p.m. Market Square, 301 King St., Alexandria and the Torpedo Factory

Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Visitors can browse artisan stalls and purchase handmade pieces while enjoying live entertainment, or watch performances and participate in special activities. Free. Call 703-838-4565 or visit www.VisitAlexandriaVA.com/arts2014 for more.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/ JUNE 14-15

Engine #62 Trackless Train Rides at Lake Fairfax. 1400 Lake Fairfax Drive, Reston. Hit the pool and hitch a ride on the trackless train, running on the second week of June, July, and Aug. Special runs also May 31, June 1, and July 4. Waterline park opens May 24. \$3. Call 703-471-5416.

FRIDAY/JUNE 20

Pixar in Concert. 8:30 p.m. Wolf Trap Filene Center, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. Emil de Cou, conductor of favorite animated Pixar films including *Finding Nemo*, *Up*, *Toy Story*, and *Monsters, Inc.* paired with memorable scores played by the National Symphony Orchestra. \$30-\$58. 703-255-1900.

SUNDAY/JUNE 15

Free Father's Day Museum Tours. 1-5 p.m. Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 N. Royal St., Alexandria. Stabler-Leadbeater Apothecary Museum, 105-107 S. Fairfax St., Alexandria. Free for visiting fathers. Call 703-746-4242 or visit www.VisitAlexandriaVA.com/calendar-of-events/summer.

Crystal Car: Father's Day Auto Festival. 2-6 p.m. 2121 Crystal Dr. Features sports cars, muscle cars, electric cars, a beer garden, and more. Free. Visit www.crystalcity.org for more.

Sully Antique Car Show. Sully Historic Site, 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly. Up to 400 cars on show field, restoration displays, all the

Celebrate Fairfax

Celebrate Fairfax!, Northern Virginia's largest community-wide celebration, takes place June 6-8 at the Fairfax County Government Center. Presented by Celebrate Fairfax, Inc, the annual festival hosts tens of thousands of visitors during the three-day run.

The 25-acre site is filled with more than 300 exhibitors, food vendors, crafters and interactive activities. Celebrate Fairfax! showcases live concerts on eight stages, ExxonMobil Children's Avenue, a petting zoo, the Fairfax County Karaoke Championship, carnival rides, and great festival foods. Another fun activity for children is the Inova Train Ride.

Nightly fireworks, presented by Leidos, are a highlight of the festival, and one of many great family programs. This year's Bud Light Main Stage features top national headline performers: The All American Rejects, Cheap Trick and The Hunts.

For more information on any of the festival's programs, or to become a part of the festival as a volunteer, sponsor, performing artist, or simply to attend, visit <http://celebratefairfax.com/>, or contact the Celebrate Fairfax, Inc. office at 703-324-3247.

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food and wine tasting and a food and dessert competition between local restaurants. Free (tickets required for food and wine samples). 703-746-5592. Visit www.AlexandriaFoodandWine.com

Strawberry Festival. 2 p.m. Ellanor C. Lawrence Park, 5040 Walney Road, Chantilly. Play croquet, savor strawberry ice cream and learn school lessons about Machens grove. Visit www.parktakes.fairfaxcounty.gov for more.

Ballroom Social Dance. 7:30-10:30 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. Put on your dancing shoes and come out to the Workhouse for an evening of social ballroom dance. Bring a friend, a date or a group and enjoy a casual, fun night out. Visit www.workhousearts.org for more.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/JUNE 21-22

Relay for Life. 5 p.m. Long Bridge Park Field 1. 475 Long Bridge Drive, Arlington. Visit www.relayforlife.org for more.

Relay for Life. Only Saturday. 6 p.m. George Mason High School. 7124 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. Visit www.relayforlife.org for more.

SUNDAY/JUNE 22

Herndon Centennial Golf Course Short Game Challenge. 8 a.m. 909 Ferndale Ave., Herndon. 703-471-5769. Visit www.herndongolf.com for more.

Sundaes in the Park. 1 p.m. Hidden Oaks Nature Center, 7701 Royce St., Annandale. Bring the family for a Sunday stroll along the paths around Hidden Oaks Nature Center and stop by the campfire area for a ice cream sundae before or after your visit. Create your own confection with the toppings and enjoy a scoop of farm fresh vanilla ice cream while it lasts. Sundaes \$2. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/hidden-oaks for more.

WEDNESDAYS/JUNE 25-AUG. 20

Frying Pan Farm Arts in the Parks. 10-11 a.m. Frying Pan Farm Park Amphitheater, 2739 West Ox Road, Herndon. Entertain children, teach them the importance of protecting our natural resources, introduce them to live entertainment in an informal kid-friendly atmosphere, and forge a connection between kids and parks. Call 703-437-9101.

FRIDAYS/JUNE 27-AUG. 29

Braddock Nights Concert Series. 7:30-8:30 p.m. Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield or Royal Lake Park, 5344 Gainsborough Drive, Fairfax. Listen to musical performances in the great outdoors. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performance/ for location and schedule.

SATURDAY/JUNE 28

Del Ray Music Festival. Noon-9 p.m. 2701 Commonwealth Ave., Alexandria. This event will feature local food vendors, children's activities and a variety of live music, ranging in genre from reggae to jazz, blues to rock. Free. Visit www.DelRayMusicFestival.com for more.

SATURDAYS/JUNE 28-AUG. 23

Burke Arts in the Parks. 10-11 a.m. Burke Lake Park Amphitheater, 7315 Ox Road, Fairfax Station. Entertain children, teach them the importance of protecting our natural resources, introduce them to live entertainment

START SUMMER OFF AT WOLF TRAP

As America's National Park for the Performing Arts, Wolf Trap plays a valuable leadership role in both the local and national performing arts communities. A typical season at Wolf Trap includes theatre, and musical performances ranging from country to pop to orchestra. Wolf Trap, 1645 Trap Road in Vienna, is accessible from the Metro and parking is free. Visit www.wolftrap.org for more.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/JUNE 6-8

Disney's Beauty and the Beast. "Be Our Guest!" Belle and her enchanted entourage prove love conquers all in this family-favorite musical with an Oscar-winning score featuring "Something There" and "If I Can't Love Her." Tickets: \$22-\$80.

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 11

Trey McIntyre Project. 8:30 p.m. In their final DC performance, this inventive and bold contemporary ballet company performs to Queen's glam-rock stylings. Tickets: \$10-\$44.

THURSDAY/JUNE 12

Ringo Starr & His All Starr Band. 8 p.m. Celebrate an era with a band of rock 'n' roll virtuosos from the Beatles, Santana, Toto, and more. Tickets: \$35-\$65.

FRIDAY/JUNE 13

Il Volo. 8 p.m. Pop-opera trio of Italian teen heartthrobs combines soaring voices with playful charm. Tickets: \$30-\$65.

SATURDAY/JUNE 14

Louisiana Swamp Romp. 2 p.m. The Big Easy party is back! Dance to Louisiana's hottest Cajun, zydeco, and brass bands and jump in the second line parade. Tickets: \$30.

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 18

John Butler Trio. 7:30 p.m. There's nothing "Better Than" acoustically driven roots-rock and reggae ballads from heartfelt Australian multi-instrumentalists. Tickets: \$32-\$40.

THURSDAY/JUNE 19

Daryl Hall & John Oates. 8 p.m. Still making your dreams come true with unforgettable soul and rock anthems, these Rock and Roll Hall of Famers are the most successful pop duo of all time. Tickets: \$35-\$60.

FRIDAY/JUNE 20

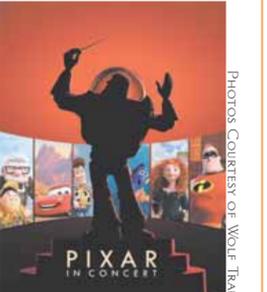
Pixar in Concert. 8:30 p.m. All your favorite animated Pixar films on the big screen including *Finding Nemo*, *Up*, *Toy Story*, and *Monsters, Inc.*, paired with memorable scores played by the National Symphony Orchestra. Tickets: \$30-\$58.

SATURDAY/JUNE 21

Grease Sing-A-Long. 8:30 p.m. Rev up your vocal chords for an ultimate summer night with the Rydell High gang and sing-a-long with the hits you're hopelessly devoted to as the original 1978 film is projected in-house and on the lawn with lyrics on screen. Tickets: \$25-\$38.

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 25

Ben Folds. 8:15 p.m. Front man of Ben Folds Five and judge of NBC's



Pixar in Concert: Watch all your favorite animated Pixar films on the big screen including Finding Nemo, Up, Toy Story, and Monsters, Inc., paired with memorable scores played by the National Symphony Orchestra June 20.

The Sing-Off showcases his new piano concerto and orchestral arrangements of pop hits with the National Symphony Orchestra. Tickets: \$25-\$60.

FRIDAY/JUNE 27

Handel Giulio Cesare. Check website for exact showtimes (also on Sunday, June 29 and Tuesday, July 1). New production, sung in Italian with English superlites. Inside the Opera preshow talk begins one hour before curtain. Tickets: \$36-\$88.

SATURDAY/JUNE 28

Beethoven's 9th. 8:15 p.m. Triumphant performance of Beethoven's "Ode to Joy" masterpiece and more by preeminent singers and one of the world's leading orchestras in its only 2014 DC-area appearance. Tickets: \$25-\$65.

SUNDAY/JUNE 29

Diana Ross. 8 p.m. Motown's supreme legend has inspired generations of singers with an endless stream of No. 1 hits from "You Can't Hurry Love" to "I'm Coming Out." Tickets: \$35-\$60.

Handel Giulio Cesare. Check website for exact showtimes (also on Tuesday, July 1). New production, sung in Italian with English superlites. Inside the Opera preshow talk begins one hour before curtain. Tickets: \$36-\$88.

TUESDAY/JULY 1

Pilobolus. 8:30 p.m. Wild creativity and daring, athletic modern dance. Tickets: \$10-\$48.

Handel Giulio Cesare. Check website for exact showtime. New production, sung in Italian with English superlites. Inside the Opera preshow talk begins one hour before curtain. Tickets: \$36-\$88.

FARMERS MARKETS

in an informal kid friendly atmosphere, and forge a connection between kids and parks. Call 703-323-6601.

Mason District Arts in the Parks. 10-11 a.m. Mason District Park Amphitheater, 6621 Columbia Pike, Annandale. Entertain children, teach them the importance of protecting our natural resources, introduce them to live entertainment in an informal kid friendly atmosphere, and forge a connection between kids and parks. 703-941-1730.

E.C. Lawrence Arts in the Parks. 10-11 a.m. E.C. Lawrence Park Amphitheater, 5040 Walney Road, Chantilly. Entertain children, teach them the importance of protecting our natural resources, introduce them to live entertainment in an informal kid friendly atmosphere, and forge a connection between kids and parks. 703-631-0013.

SUNDAY/JUNE 29

2nd Annual Tour de Tysons Bicycle Races. 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Jones Branch Drive, Tysons Corner. Ten bicycle races, food trucks and vendors. The Tour de Tysons is a fun experience for the whole family — compete or simply enjoy. Visit www.tysonspartnership.com for more.

Summer Concert Series: The United States Navy Band, The Commodores. 6-7 p.m. 14390 Air & Space Museum Parkway, Chantilly. Listen to a free musical performance on the Museum's lawn. Visit <http://airandspace.si.edu/events/detail.cfm?id=10362> for more.

July

FRIDAY/JULY 4

Great Falls Fourth of July Celebration. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Great Falls Village Centre, 776 Walker Road, Great Falls. Walk/run, parades, festivities, fun and food. Fireworks at Turner Farm Park on Saturday, July 6. Visit www.celebrategreatfalls.org for more.

Lorton's Fourth of July Parade. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. VRE Parking Lot, 8990 Lorton Station Blvd., Lorton. Lorton's fourth annual Independence Day parade.

Mount Vernon's An American Celebration. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. George Washington's Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway, Mount Vernon. Fireworks in patriotic colors fired over the Potomac River. The event also includes an inspirational naturalization ceremony for 100 new citizens, military reenactments, a special wreath-laying ceremony, free birthday cake for all and a visit from the "first" first couple, "General and Mrs. Washington." Visit www.mountvernon.org for more.

Herndon 4th of July Celebration. 6:30 p.m. Bready Park at the Herndon Community Center, 814 Ferndale Ave., Herndon. A family-fun event featuring games, arts and craft activities, bingo, food face painting, balloon artists, and fireworks. Visit www.herndon-va.gov for more.

Fairfax's Independence Day Celebration. 10 a.m.-10:30 p.m. in the Downtown Fairfax Historic District. Independence day parade, historical tours, games, entertainment and fireworks. Visit www.fairfaxva.gov/about-us/special-events/independence-day-celebration for more.

Vienna 4th of July Festival and Fireworks Show. 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Live musical entertainment, arts and crafts for kids, antique and classic car show and fireworks. Visit www.viennava.gov for more.

SATURDAY/JULY 12

Obon Festival. 5:30-9 p.m. Highlighting Japanese culture at Ekoji Buddhist Temple, 6500 Lakehaven Lane, Fairfax Station. Visit www.ekoji.org for more.

USA & Alexandria Birthday Celebration. 7:30-10 p.m. at Oronoco Bay Park, 100 Madison St., Alexandria. Enjoy a concert by the Alexandria Symphony Orchestra, birthday cake, food and fireworks. The evening culminates in Tchaikovsky's "1812 Overture." Free. Visit www.alexandriava.gov for more.

SATURDAY/JULY 19

Clifton Film Festival. 4 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. Clifton Film Fest is an award winning indoor and outdoor film festival. Original films made by the surrounding community are showcased. Visit www.cliftonfilmfest.com/index.html for more.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/JULY 19-20

Claude Moore Colonial Farm 1771 Market Fair. 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at 6310 Georgetown Pike, McLean. Sit in the shade and savor roast chicken and spicy sausages, enjoy dancing and singing with the fiddler, test your water color and writing skills with Mr. Andrews at the Stationer. Visit <http://1771.org> for more.

August

SUNDAY/AUG. 3

Bolivian Independence Day Children's Festival. 4:30 p.m. GMU, Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. A Bolivian Independence Day celebration complete with dance, music and singing. Tickets: \$10-\$15. Visit www.proboliviausa.org for more.

SUNDAY/AUG. 24

27th Annual Pakistan Independence Day Festival USA. Noon at Bull Run Regional Park, 7700 Bull Run Drive, Centreville. The Pakistan Independence Day Festival includes musical performances, rides and games. Visit www.pakistanfestivalusa.com for more.

SATURDAY/AUG. 30

Lake Anne Jazz Festival. 1 p.m. Lake Anne Plaza (Waterfront), 1609 Washington Plaza, Reston. Showcasing a variety of talented local emerging artists and national jazz performers. Beer garden on site. Visit lakeanneplaza.com/event/8th-annual-jazz-blues-festival/30.

September

MONDAY/SEPT. 1

Herndon Labor Day Festival. Noon-6 p.m. at Herndon Town Green, 777 Lynn St., Herndon. Great music, a craft show, food, 12 wineries and micro-brews and culinary demonstrations. Visit www.herndon-va.gov for more.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 20

Tyson's BBQ, Bourbon and Beer. Tyson's Townsquare. Join us at the festival for a great day of beer sippin', bourbon tastin', music listenin', cigar smokin', and barbeque eatin'. Visit www.beerandbourbon.com/tysons/show-info for more.

SATURDAYS

Arlington Farmers Market at Courthouse. Adjacent to the Arlington County Courthouse Parking Lot, at the intersection of N. Courthouse Road and N. 14th Street. This is a 'producer only' market with more than 30 producers. From January through March, the market is open on Saturdays 9 a.m.-noon. Visit www.arlingtonfarmersmarket.com for a list of vendors.

Clarendon Farmers Market. Year-round, has locally produced breads and pastries, organic vegetables, flowers, soap, sorbet and more. Saturdays and Sundays, 8 a.m.-noon at Courthouse Parking Lot, 3195 North Wilson Blvd, Arlington. Also year round on Wednesdays from 3-7 p.m. at Clarendon Metro Station. Visit www.Clarendon.org. Call 703-812-8881.

Old Town Farmers Market. 7 a.m.-noon Saturdays, year round. Sells meat, dairy, fish, fruits and vegetables. Local farmers and artists have been selling products there since 1753. Market Square, 301 King St., Alexandria. Call 703-746-3200 or contact oldtownfarmersmarket@alexandriava.gov.

Del Ray Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-noon Saturdays, year round. Features fresh vegetables and fruits in season, meats, eggs, fresh pasta and sauces, Amish cheese, yogurt, bakery goods and more. Located at the corner of East Oxford and Mount Vernon avenues, Alexandria. Contact pmiller1806@comcast.net.

Mount Vernon Farmers Market. 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays, May 31-Oct. 18. Fresh local food, artisan crafts, live music, kids activities, cooking demonstrations and special events. Corner of Cleveland Ave. and Snoqualmie St., Mount Vernon. Visit www.mountvernonfarmersmarket.org.

Burke Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-noon. Saturdays, May 3-Nov. 22. 5671 Roberts Parkway, Burke. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets/burkemkt.htm

Reston Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-noon. Saturdays, May 3-Nov. 9. Named the best farmers market in Northern Virginia by Virginia Living Magazine. Lake Anne Village Center, 11401 North Shore Drive, Reston. www.restonfarmersmarket.com.

Oakton Farmers Market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Year round. Unity of Fairfax Church, 2854 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton. www.smartmarkets.org/

Springfield Farmers Market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Springfield Mall, 6417 Loisdale Road, Springfield. www.smartmarkets.org.

Great Falls Farmers Market. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Year round. Great Falls Village Centre, 778 Walker Road, Great Falls. www.celebrategreatfalls.org/FarmersMarket.html.

Vienna Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Faith Baptist Church Parking Lot, 301 Center Street South, Vienna. www.viennafarmersmarket.com.

Fairfax Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays, May 10-Nov. 1. 10500 Page Avenue, Fairfax. www.fairfaxsaturdaymarket.com.

SUNDAYS

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The Open Air Market in the Lake Anne Plaza features artisans, global imports and health products



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8 a.m.-noon at Courthouse Parking Lot, 3195 North Wilson Blvd. Visit www.Clarendon.org. 703-812-8881.

Four Mile Run Farmers & Artisans Market. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Sundays from April 27-November. Brings fresh nutritious foods to people of all income levels. Located at the entrance to Four Mile Run Park at 4109 Mount Vernon Ave., Alexandria. Visit www.4mrmmarket.org/ for more.

West End Farmers Market. 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Sundays from May-November. Fresh, locally grown, in-season vegetables. Vendors also sell fresh-squeezed orange juice, fresh-baked pastries and more. Located at Ben Brenman Park, 4800 Brenman Park Drive, Alexandria. Visit www.westendfarmersmarket.org.

Lorton Farmers Market. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Sundays, May 4-Nov. 2. Featuring fresh produce, a Swiss bakery and potted plants and herbs. VRE Parking Lot, 8990 Lorton Station Boulevard, Lorton. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets/lortonmkt.htm

McLean Farmers Market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Parking lot of the National Automobile Dealers Association 8400 Westpark Drive, McLean. www.smartmarkets.org/

Tyson's Farmers Market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. NADA Campus, Greensboro & Westpark Drive. www.tysonspartnership.org

Fairfax Farmers Market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sundays, May 11-Oct. 26. 10500 Page Avenue, Fairfax.

Fair Lakes Farmers Market. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 4501 Market Commons Drive, Fairfax. www.greentowns.com/initiative/farmers-market/fair-lakes-farmers-market-fairfax-va.

TUESDAYS

The Crystal City FRESHFARM Market is open April-November on Tuesdays, 3-7 p.m. with a selection of foods and goods from local producers, in front of 251 S. 18th St, Arlington. Visit www.crystalcity.org.

WEDNESDAYS

Mount Vernon Farmers Market. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Wednesdays, June 4-Sept. 24. Fresh local food, artisan crafts, live music, kids activities, cooking demonstrations and special events. 415 E Kincaid St., Mount Vernon. www.mountvernonfarmersmarket.org/

Wakefield Farmers Market. 2-6 p.m. Wednesdays, May 7-Oct. 29. Features an average of 21 vendors including a fish vendor, knife sharpener and soap vendor. Cooking demonstrations and live music some weeks. 8100 Braddock Road, Annandale. www.wakefieldfarmersmarket.com/

Reston Farmers Market. 3-7 p.m. 12001 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston. www.smartmarkets.org.

Frying Pan Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 2709 West Ox Road, Herndon.

www.farmersmarketfryingpan.nova-antiques.com.

Fair Lakes Farmers Market. 3:30-7 p.m. 4501 Market Commons Drive, Fairfax. www.greentowns.com/initiative/farmers-market/fair-lakes-farmers-market-fairfax-va.

THURSDAYS

Rosslyn Farmers Market and Concert. 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Thursdays, May 29-Sept. 25, across the street from Cupid's Garden Sculpture, 1401 Wilson Blvd., Arlington. The market offers fresh foods and goods from regional vendors including bread and pastries, farm-fresh and organic produce, herbs and spices, exotic teas and specialty coffees. Visit www.rosslynva.org/do/rosslyn-farmers-market1.

Annandale Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Thursdays, May 2-Nov. 7. Featuring a master gardener plant clinic on site to answer questions about plants and landscaping. Mason District Park, 6621 Columbia Pike, Annandale. 703-941-1730. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets/annandalemkt.htm

Herndon Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Thursdays, May 1-Nov. 13. Twelve Vendors sell a variety of products including kettle corn and fresh made Italian pasta. Old Town Herndon, 700 Block of Lynn St, Herndon. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets/herndonmkt.htm

Fairfax's Government Center Farmers Market. 3-7 p.m. Thursdays, May 1-Oct. 30. Ten vendors including a Middle Eastern delicacy bakery and custom organic ice cream shop. Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets/governmentcentermkt.htm

Lorton Farmers Market. 3-7 p.m. Thursdays. New Hope Church, 8905 Ox Road, Lorton. www.smartmarkets.org.

FRIDAYS

McLean Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Fridays, May 2-Nov. 21. Vendors include an orchard and winery company and specialty berry farm. 1659 Chain Bridge Road, McLean. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets/mcleanmkt.htm

Kingstowne Farmers Market. 4-7 p.m. Fridays, May 2-Oct. 31. Giant Parking Lot, 5955 Kingstowne Towne Center, Alexandria. Vendors products include fresh organic honey, pies and rolls. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets/kingstownemkt.htm

Celebrate Summer

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ists, unicycles, juggling and stunts. The circus performs at 1:30 and 2:30 p.m.

But wait! There's more ... Over at Yeonas Park, Fat Chance plays, starting at 7 p.m. The live entertainment is followed by fireworks at 9:15 p.m. next door at Southside Park. Vienna Little League opens its concession stand for the evening.

CULINARIA COOKING SCHOOL

Whether you're a grown-up or a kid, there's a cooking class at Culinaria Cooking School that is fun and illuminating. However, if you are an elementary school student or a teen, you can have fun for a full week at Culinaria's summer camps for kids that run throughout the summer. Kids and teens learn knife skills, food safety, and how to prepare different kid-approved dishes every day. Campers get a tee shirt and a certificate upon completion of camp. Many kids do multiple weeks of camp there. Cooking camp at Culinaria is \$375/week per camper. Children aged 9-12 are eligible for Kids' Camp. Teens aged 13-17 are eligible for Teens Camp. Children and teens must be 9 or 13, respectively, by the start of camp in order to attend.

For registration, themes and menus, go to <http://www.culinariacookingschool.com/classes/summer-camp-2014/>.

VIENNA YOUTH PLAYERS

Talented youngsters from the Vienna area audition for the summer production of "Do Black Patent Leather Shoes Really Reflect Up?" on June 6, 6:30 p.m. or June 8, noon to 3 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center. The musical plays on Aug. 1, 2, 8, and 9 at 7:30 p.m. and on Aug. 10 at 1 p.m. Tickets, priced at \$14 per guest, go on sale on July 9 at the front desk of the Vienna Community Center.

KIDS ADVENTURE RACE

Vienna Parks and Recreation is hosting a kids adventure obstacle race at Southside Park, off Ross Drive, on Saturday, Aug. 16, 10 a.m. to noon. Preregistration required; charge of \$7 per child to participate. Kids maneuver over and through obstacles and get a t-shirt for participating. Light refreshments included. To register and pay, sign up at front desk of Community Center or register online. Note activity number 110701-A1.



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Here's What's Happening at MCC

Midday Movie Musicals "Meet Me in St. Louis"
Wednesday, May 28, 1 p.m.
Free admission

Lifetime Learning Coffee & Conversation
Friday, May 30, 10:30 a.m.-noon
Free admission

Old Firehouse Teen Center Rising 7th-9th Grader Dance
Friday, June 6, 7-10 p.m.
\$10/\$5 members

Applause Unlimited "The Magic of Hans Christian Andersen"
Saturday, June 7, 2 p.m.
\$15/\$10 MCC district residents

Perspectives Speaker Series Piper Kerman
Sunday, June 8, 2 p.m.
Free admission

Sunday Soirée Dance
Sunday, June 8, 3-5 p.m.
Admission: \$5

National Gallery of Art
Monday, June 9
\$58/\$53 MCC district residents

John Eaton with Tommy Cecil in Concert "Jazz, Blues and Broadway"
Saturday, June 21, 8 p.m.
\$27/\$18 MCC district residents

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Vienna Summer on the Green Concerts Open May 30

Summer on the Green concert series kicks off on Friday, May 30, at 6:30 p.m. with a concert performance by Bill Emerson and the Sweet Dixie Band, a favorite of the late Mayor and the Seeman family.

The Summer on the Green is a free concert series presented by the Town of Vienna and a host of concert sponsors. All performances are held at the Vienna Town Green, 144 Maple Avenue E, at 6:30 p.m. Bring chairs or blankets for seating. No alcoholic beverages are allowed. It is recommended that pets be left at home. The summer concert schedule is as follows:

May 30: Bill Emerson and the Sweet Dixie Band - Bluegrass
 June 1: Fat Chance - Rock
 June 6: Vienna Idol
 June 8: Kingsley Winter Band -

Rock

June 13: Annapolis Bluegrass
 June 15: NRJ - Rock
 June 18: Childrens Show - Rocknocerous, Sponsored by Vienna Moms, Inc
 June 20: Nitehawks Swing Band
 June 22: US Navy Sea Chanters
 June 25: Childrens Show - Networking for the Arts Foundation - Beatle Kids
 June 27: Sarah Bennett Swanner - Soulful Blues
 June 29: The Tonics - Blues/Rock
 July 11: Stealin' the Deal - Rock and Country
 July 13: Village Jazz Band
 July 18: Feedback - Classic and Alternative Rock
 July 20: US Navy Commodores
 July 25: Karl Stoll and the Danger Zone
 July 27: Vienna Community Band



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Coach Cotton, Willie Bob and Boogie-woogie Benny – no kidding – are Rocknocerous. And the children just love them, as evidenced by this 2012 concert on Vienna's Town Green. They return on June 18.

Top Ten

Summer fun events in Vienna, McLean and Great Falls.

Here's your top ten list of events to check out this summer.

Spring into Summer. May 31. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Tysons West, 1500 Cornerside Blvd, Tysons. Hang out in Tyson's newest hub with playful activities for all ages, plug goodies, sidewalk chalking, hopscotch and a Bouncy House. Bring bikes for donation to Bikes for the World. Free. Rain or shine. 703-476-9377. www.tysonswest.com

Great Tastes of Tysons. May 31-June 1. 1-6 p.m. Lerner Town Square at Tysons II, 8025 Galleria Drive, at the Tysons Corner Metro stop (between Tysons Corner Mall and the Galleria). Enjoy a festival of all sorts of food, right in the crossroads of Tysons. www.tastetysons.com

Great Falls Studios Spring Art Show & Sale. May 31, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.; June 1, 11 a.m. - 8 p.m. 790 Walker Road, Great Falls. Find 25 Great Falls Studios member artists – painters in oil acrylic, watercolor and mixed media, potters, photographers, jewelers, fiber artists, a weaver and one who works in glass – all in one place at the GFS Spring Art Show & Sale. <http://www.greatfallsstudios.com/calendar.php>

Concerts on the Green. Sundays;

June 1- Aug. 17. 6-8 p.m. Great Falls Village Green. Come out with your picnic baskets and chairs for an entertaining evening of live, free music. Find the schedule at <http://www.gfvcca.com/concerts.htm>

Annual Golf Tournament. June 2. 7:30 a.m. Hidden Creek Country Club, 1711 Clubhouse Rod, Reston. What's a summer without a swing on the golf course? Participate in this community event, with proceeds benefiting local elementary schools. Register online at www.celebrategreatfalls.org

2nd Annual Tour de Tysons Bicycle Races. June 29. 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Jones Branch Drive, Tysons Corner. Come delight in the fanfare with 10 bicycle races, food trucks and vendors. The Tour de Tysons is a fun experience for the whole family - compete or simply enjoy. <http://www.tysonspartnership.com/>

Great Falls Fourth of July Celebration. July 4. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Great Falls Village Centre, 776 Walker Road, Great Falls. Celebrate Independence Day this year with parades, patriotic festivities, and food. Fireworks at Turner Park Farm on July 6. www.celebrategreatfalls.org

Vienna 4th of July Festival and Fireworks Show. July 4. 11 a.m.-9 p.m. In the heart of Vienna, celebrate Independence Day this year with live musical entertainment, arts and crafts for kids, and an antique and classic car show! Fireworks at sundown. <http://www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?nid=894>

Claude Moore Colonial Farm 1771



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The inflatable castle and the rock-climbing wall had lines, although the caterpillar and obstacle course offered quick access at Vienna's annual Independence Day festival last year.

Market Fair. July 19- 20. 11 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. 6310 Georgetown Pike, McLean. Sit in the shade and savor roast chicken and spicy sausages, enjoy dancing and singing with the fiddler, and test your water color and writing skills with Mr. Andrews at the Stationer. A day at the Claude Moore Colonial Farm is a realistic jump back in time. http://1771.org/?page_id=940

Tyson's World Music Festival. Sept. 13. 11 a.m.- 11 p.m. Tysons Square Tysons II, Tysons Boulevard. Calling all music lovers to a full day of local and national performers, fine arts, and charity benefit. Con-

tinue your summer fun here, just at the turn of the season. <http://www.tysonspartnership.com/>

Tyson's BBQ, Bourbon, and Beer. Sept. 20. 12- 6 p.m. Tysons Townsquare at the Tysons Corner Silver Line Metro stop. We welcome this traveling festival to Tysons for a great day of beer sippin', bourbon tastin', music listenin', cigar smokin', and barbeque eatin'. <http://www.beerandbourbon.com/tysons/show-info>

— RACHEL STONE