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A rescue worker lands next to the stranded kayaker in order to assess the situation during the rescue operation at Great Falls Park last Friday, June 8.

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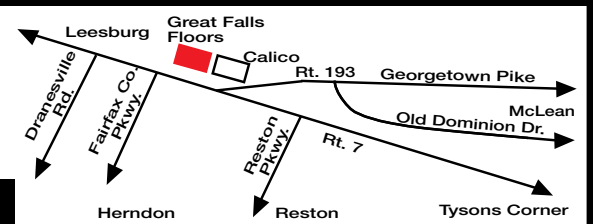
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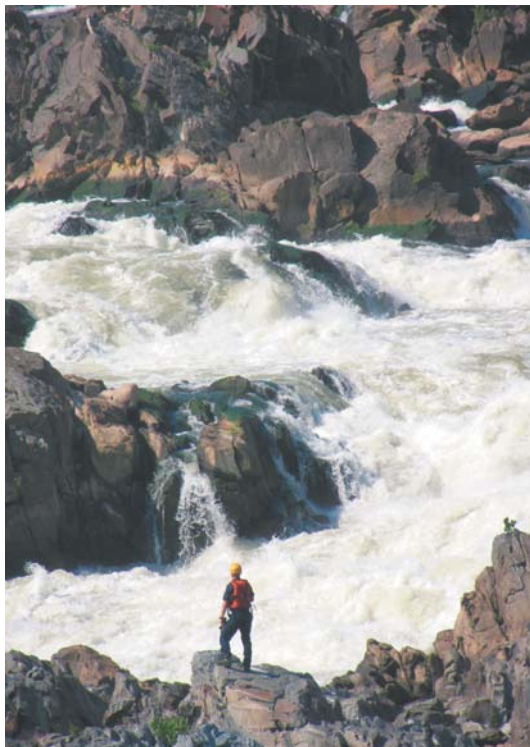
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A rescue worker descends from a Park Police helicopter to the rock the kayaker was stranded on as boat units prepare nearby.



A rescue worker surveys the dangerous rapids, looking for the safest approach to reach the stranded kayaker.

Rescued at Great Falls Park

Dramatic rescue highlights the dangers around the falls.

The swift, chopping sound of helicopter blades filled the air above Great Falls Park on Friday as a team of rescuers worked diligently to rescue a stranded kayaker from the river.

Several units responded to the call, including ambulances, fire engines, boats and a helicopter. Bystanders flocked to the lookout points to watch as some members of the rescue team herded people to a safe distance away from the railings.

Kayakers and other adventurers often brave the rapids at parks like Great Falls, and occasionally require help from local authorities if something goes wrong. "It depends on the situation, but we send out a predetermined number of units," said Angel Melendez, Master Technician of Fire Station 29 in Tysons Corner. He stated that rescue calls usually require an ambulance, accompanied by a fire truck and boat units. He added that if a helicopter is in the area, or listening in, that it will fly over as well.

Additionally, Melendez continued, the water at Great Falls Park belongs to Maryland, so they will



River rescue units prepare in the river below the position of the stranded kayaker.



Units position themselves to respond to the situation, both in boats and on rocks surrounding the area.

send in a response team as well. "We always err on the side of safety, so we send everybody," Melendez continued. "It doesn't

matter if it's a dog or a family of people. There's no price on life."

— NIKKI CHESHIRE



Third graders in the Japanese Immersion Program at Great Falls Elementary School present the play "The Enormous Turnip" as part of their end-of-the-year celebration Friday, June 8.

Welcoming the Dragon

Great Falls Elementary School hosts annual performance of "The Enormous Turnip."

BY ALEX MCVEIGH
THE CONNECTION

The students in the Japanese Immersion Program at Great Falls Elementary School held their annual performance of "The Enormous Turnip" Friday, June 8. Based on a Russian fairy tale, the story is about a farmer who recruits an assortment of characters to help him remove an enormous turnip from the ground.

The third grade students started the show by singing the multiplication table song in Japanese. Right after that students in costume began appearing one at a time to assist the farmer, speaking only in Japanese.

"I love the program, the kids and the sensei put on a fabulous show," said Stephanie Wickberg, parent of a third grader. "We were very excited for the role in my house, but there was a lot of nervous practicing leading up to today."

The farmer, his wife and his son eventually required the help of a snake, horse, ram, chicken, monkey, dog, wild boar, cow, tiger, rabbit and finally a dragon. The animals come from the Chinese zodiac (which is also used in Japan), with the dragon signifying the year 2012, the year of the dragon.

"It's fun to watch the children work hard on the play, and the casting was interesting because it was completely at random, drawn out of a hat," said Debra Steppel, a parent.

The students also performed in Washington, D.C. earlier this year to celebrate 100 years since the arrival of the cherry blossoms, which were a gift in 1912 from Yukio Ozaki, then mayor of Tokyo City. They performed on several occasions in the city.

"Going downtown for the new year's celebration for the Japanese ambassador was a wonderful experience," said Mary Kate Moran, a parent.



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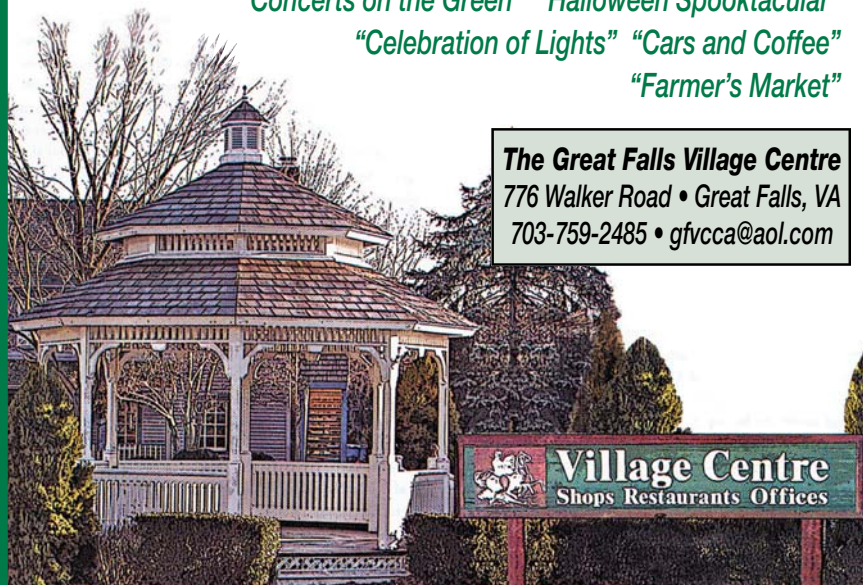
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Pictured, from left: Lidia Soto-Harmon (CEO, GSCNC), Kylie Smith, Sophie Holsinger, Juliette "Daisy" Gordon Low wax figure, Lilly Kishore, Ainsley Jacobs, Diane Tipton (president, GSCNC), Aryana Nobakht, Kaitlin West, Hailey McGrath.

Local Girl Scout Troop Celebrates 100 years in Girl Scouts at Madame Tussauds

On May 9, Great Falls' Cadette Girl Scout Troop 1111 was honored to join the president and the CEO of the Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital (GSCNC) to unveil a lifelike wax figure of the pioneering woman who founded the Girl Scouts 100 years ago, Juliette "Daisy" Gordon Low.

Madame Tussauds launched the figure as a kick-off to a series of initiatives cel-

ebrating the Girl Scouts' anniversary, which culminated in a huge "Girl Scouts Rock the Mall" event, taking place in Washington, D.C. on June 9. Led by Suzanne McGrath, the girls in Cadette Troop 1111, many of whom have been together as a troop since kindergarten, recently earned their bronze star award and are currently working toward their silver star award.



Great Falls Friends Donate Benches to Village Centre, Fire Station

Great Falls Friends folded into an umbrella organization called Celebrate Great Falls in 2010 after being in existence for 20 years. Prior to doing so the Great Falls Friends donated funds from their treasury to purchase seven park benches with their logo on it for the Great Falls community. Four benches are located on the greens at the Village Centre and three are now located at the new Great Falls fire station. Pictured, from left: Homer Johns, Candace Bovee, Susan Canis (seated), Betty Swartz (seated), Mary Edwardson and Joan Bliss.

SCHOOLS

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Michelle Bovee of Great Falls has been named to the fall 2011 dean's list at James Madison University. The daughter of Greg and Candace Bovee is majoring in political science with a minor in economics.

Rachel Christine McGonigal of Great Falls has been named to the fall 2011 president's list at Clemson University of Clemson, S.C.

Kelly Anne Tremaine of Great Falls has been named to the fall 2011

president's list at Clemson University of Clemson, S.C.

Danielle Cozette Lubin of Great Falls has been named to the fall 2011 dean's list at Clemson University of Clemson, S.C. Lubin is majoring in psychology.

Erin Danielle Wiltse of Great Falls has been named to the fall 2011 dean's list at Clemson University of Clemson, S.C. Wiltse is majoring in marketing.

Julie Benjamin of Great Falls has been named to the fall 2011 dean's list at Virginia Tech. The School of Architecture student was awarded first place in

the 3rd Year Design Competition in Dec. 2011. She is the daughter of Thomas and Susan Benjamin.

Jay P. Singh, a 2005 graduate of Langley High School, has received a DPhil in forensic psychiatry from Oxford University in the UK. His dissertation was on Forensic risk assessment: A metareview, novel meta-analysis, and empirical study developing a violence screening tool for schizophrenia. He is currently a post-doctoral research scholar in the Department of Mental Health Law and Policy at the University of South Florida in Tampa.

The following residents of Great Falls

have been named to the fall 2011 dean's list at Virginia Tech: **Alexander W. Anderson** (university studies), **Arris R. Bahrami** (industrial and systems engineering), **Lucas M. Barta** (English), **Julia A. Benjamin** (architecture), **Matt D. Bos** (mechanical engineering), **Christopher W. Brassell** (biological sciences), **Nicholas M. Cafferky** (communications), **Olivia A. Caron** (general engineering), **Paul B. Caron** (biological sciences), **Lucas H. Eckert** (university studies), **Gary L. Fang** (accounting and information systems), **Sean R. Gharai** (biological sciences), **Nathanael E. Hale** (history), **Johanna L. Hsu** (business informa-

tion technology), **Jordan K. Kaihara** (management) and **Valerie D. La Scala** (human nutrition, food and exercise).

The following residents of Great Falls have been named to the fall 2011 dean's list at Virginia Tech: **Katherine S. Leslie** (psychology), **Sarah Loh** (general engineering), **Skye W. Lu** (biological sciences), **Jacqueline M. Mullen** (theatre arts.), **Alexander Y. Mun** (business information technology), **Justin W. Parsons** (management), **Kayla E. Phillips** (finance), **Elizabeth B. Richardson**

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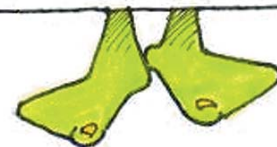
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Cindy Grisdela is a fiber artist who creates contemporary quilted wall hangings. An exhibit of her work is showing at the Great Falls library through June 30.

Grisdela Exhibits Contemporary Art Quilt at Great Falls Library

Cindy Grisdela, a contemporary art quilter, has an exhibit of her work at the Great Falls Library through June 30. The exhibit, titled "Improvisations in Color," showcases Grisdela's use of vibrant color and bold graphic design to create unique textile art.

"I'm intrigued by color and texture," Grisdela says. "Creating art with fiber gives me an opportunity to design abstract compositions based on color and line, and then add dimension and texture with stitching lines to enhance the piece," she adds. Design inspiration comes from observation of her surroundings, Grisdela explains, anything from the pebbles on the path, to the currents in water, to the colors of a meadow. She combines the colors and textures she sees into contemporary designs that are each one-of-a-kind. All of the textural lines are added free-hand with a sewing machine, driven entirely by hand without a computer or marking.

All 25 of the pieces in the exhibit are designed to hang on the wall. Some are mounted on stretcher bars and hang with wire like a painting, while others are prepared with a hanging sleeve on

the back and a dowel that rests on nails in the wall.

Grisdela's work is represented by Chasen Galleries in Richmond and can be found in a number of private collections all over the country. She is a Professional Artist member of Studio Art Quilt Associates and on the Board of Directors for Great Falls Studios in Great Falls. She was recently chosen to be one of about 300 artists exhibiting at the State Street Area Art Fair in Ann Arbor, Mich. July 18-21, 2012.

Grisdela has been a quilt artist for more than 25 years. She holds a bachelor's degree in fine arts from William and Mary as well as an MBA from George Washington University. In 2006 she joined Great Falls Studios (www.greatfallsstudios.com), a group of about 100 artists who live or work in Great Falls, for the opportunity to interact with other artists. For more information on her work, visit her website and blog at www.cindygrisdela.com.

The Great Falls Library is located at 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls, VA. Hours are 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 1 -9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Saturday. Closed Sunday.

"Block Party" is one of 25 contemporary quilts created by fiber artist Cindy Grisdela on display at the Great Falls library main conference room.



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Grayson Smith of Great Falls has been named to the fall 2011 dean's list at Auburn University. He is a 2010 Lan-

gley graduate.

The following Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) students have won Achievement Scholarships from the 2012 National Achievement Scholarship program, awarded to Black American high school seniors to be used for undergraduate study at any regionally accredited United States college or university: **Katherine Branche**, Langley High School (medicine), **Stephen Preston, Jr.**, Langley High School (aerospace engineering), **Brandon Allen**, Marshall High School (biology-law), **Nana-Kwabena Adjapong Abrefah**,

McLean High School (mathematics), **Gabrielle Tate**, Oakton High School (mechanical engineering), **Beakal Gezahegn**, South County Secondary School (medicine), **Austin Chustz**, South Lakes High School (medicine), **Ian Crutcher**, South Lakes High School (engineering), **Chantelle Ekanem**, TJHSST (chemical engineering), **Adrienne Ivey**, TJHSST (engineering-computer science), **Stephanie Pitts**, TJHSST (medicine), **Alexandria Sutton**, TJHSST (medicine), **Mickeal Taylor**, TJHSST (electrical engineering) and **Bryan Williams**, TJHSST (computer science).

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OPINION

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Strategic partnerships with businesses, community organizations, benefit public good and fill gaps since government cannot do it all.

A few weeks ago, the Connection was lucky enough to be included in a group of Fairfax County organizations honored for their efforts in giving back to the community.

Fairfax County and the Fairfax County Public Schools recognized their business and community partners for their continued contributions to the community at the Celebrate Partnerships awards ceremonies on May 21 at the Mason Inn. More than 55 businesses and community groups were nominated for these annual awards which focus on individuals and groups who partner with the County and FCPS to give back to the community.

The mission: "The Office of Public Private Partnerships (OP3) develops partnerships between the business community and local community organizations that address critical

needs in Fairfax County. ... to stimulate positive change in the community and encourage civic involvement and responsibility. One of the goals of OP3 is to bring together resources between the public and private sectors to effectively transform the quality of life in the community."

Those efforts in the county and in the schools were on display at the awards. It was remarkable to hear about how partnerships between organizations, schools, businesses led to thousands of hours of volunteer work and millions of dollars raised. The benefits are tangible, significant and a part of what makes Fairfax County a leader in many areas.

The Connection award was based significantly on our special edition on homelessness in Fairfax County, but also cited the Connection's dedication to covering the com-

munities we serve.

This year Anthony Griffin was given a special award for his work with partnerships. Other business honorees include MV Transportation, Helios HR, Nadar por Vida, Great Falls Friends and Neighbors, Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce and Doug Brammer of Verizon.

The event was attended by more than 380 people who heard from Fairfax County Chairman Sharon Bulova; Fairfax County Schools Chair Janie Strauss; Jorge Haddock, Dean of the School of Management, George Mason University; Fairfax County Executive Ed Long, and Superintendent of Schools Jack D. Dale. To find out more, visit <http://www.fairfaxcountypartnerships.org>

— MARY KIMM,

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Partnering with Communities

The Connection was nominated by Dean Klein, Executive Director of the Fairfax County Office to Prevent and End Homelessness, and the award springs from the Nov. 13 special edition coverage about the complex challenges of the homeless in Fairfax. Coverage of the issues included a "moving array of impactful photos and informative articles" that conveyed the scope of the challenges faced by those who are homeless in our community and the collaborative work of Partnership to End Homelessness. The award also cited other examples of the Connection's community partnership including "weekly highlights of neighborhood school activities and events, Thanksgiving story called 'Season of Giving' that featured 12 gifts that give back to the community, and extensive coverage of the Stuff the Bus Food campaign."

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Supporting Artemis House

Now known as the Great Falls Friends and Neighbors Club, began contributing gift cards and holidays gifts for shelter residents in 2005. They held fund-raisers, educated members about issues around domestic violence, became ongoing volunteers with support groups and assisting with administrative tasks at Artemis House. Renovated, reorganized, and furnished two attractive, welcoming spaces – one for children and one for teens. From donating gift cards, to painting, to preparing meals, to answering calls on the Hotline.

Community Resource Champion,
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Trends in Landscape Design

Local tastemakers offer suggestions for making the most of backyard space.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL
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Whether creating a tapestry of bold colors, a sanctuary to escape stress or simply a low maintenance landscape, local designers say taking a backyard from dull to dazzling is easier than one might think, and offer insight into hottest landscape elements as well as trends in sustainable design.

"The biggest overall trend is that people are cocooning — that is, people are staying at home and creating multi-use spaces," said landscape architect Mark White, owner of Garden Wise in Arlington. "They want to be able to cook outdoors and have a dining area. They might want a water feature. They are creating a place for a mini-vacation in their backyard."

"Given the state of the economy and the fact that people are leading hectic lives, many are wanting calm spaces in their backyards."

— Mark White

WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE. From custom waterfalls to simple, self-contained systems in an urn, fountains and ornamental water features are surging in popularity as homeowners strive to create a tranquil oasis in their backyards.

"Given the state of the economy and the fact that people are leading hectic lives, many are wanting calm spaces in their backyards," said White.



PHOTO BY MARILYN CAMPBELL/THE CONNECTION

Landscape designers say yards that incorporate both edible and decorative plants are popular. Herbs and patio vegetables are ideal for small outdoor areas.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF GARDEN WISE

Landscape architect Mark White uses ornamental water features to create a soothing space in the backyard of this Arlington home.

"They are using water elements to create soothing sounds."

LET IT RAIN. Rain gardens are popular as eco-minded homeowners look for ways to decrease water pollution. Rain gardens allow rainwater runoff from surfaces like roofs, driveways and walkways to be absorbed into the ground instead of storm drains.

Landscapers at George Mason University in Fairfax, created rain gardens across campus using water-loving, native plants. The gardens help alleviate storm-water runoff and pollution.

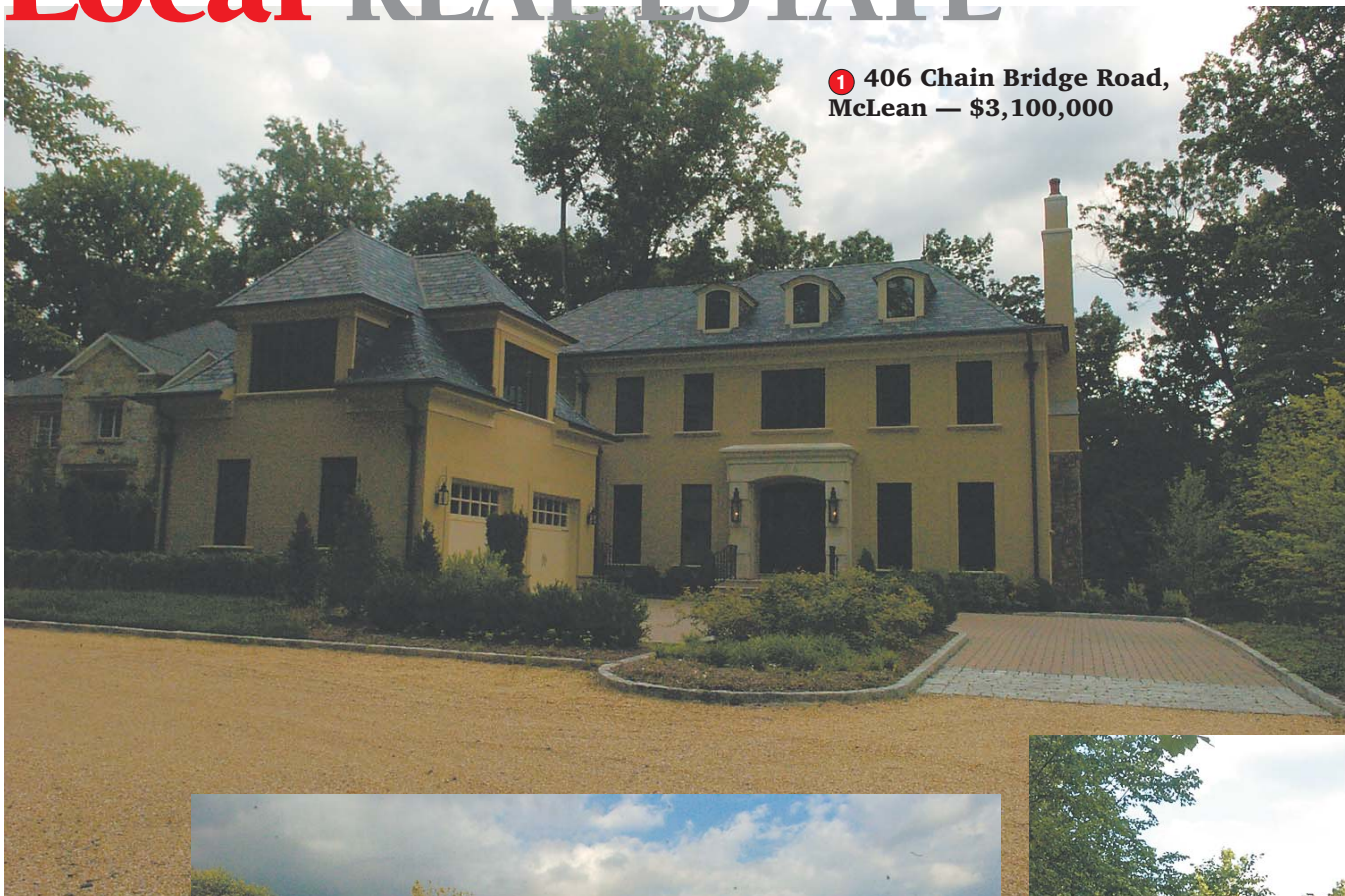
"Also, rain gardens help to eliminate standing pools of water that might otherwise have been the perfect breeding ground for mosquitoes," said Archie Nesbitt, landscape supervisor at George Mason.

HARVESTING RAINWATER.

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Local REAL ESTATE

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1 406 Chain Bridge Road, McLean — \$3,100,000

April 2012 Top Sales in Great Falls, McLean, Reston and Vienna



3 931 Douglass Drive, McLean — \$2,370,000

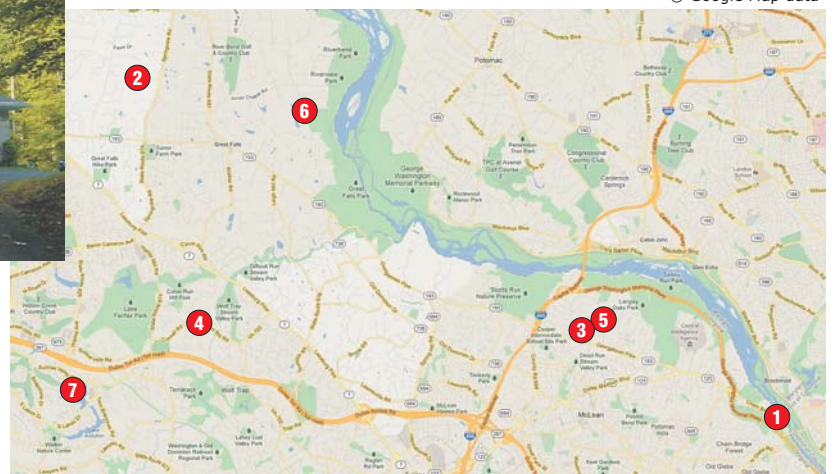


5 901 Whann Avenue, McLean — \$2,250,000



2 10707 Milkweed Drive, Great Falls — \$2,450,000

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7 1938 Upper Lake Drive, Reston — \$1,200,000

6 433 River Bend Road, Great Falls — \$2,000,000

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3 931 DOUGLASS DR	5	..	5	. 2	MCLEAN	\$2,370,000	Detached	0.84	22101	LANGLEY FOREST	04/20/12
4 10203 BROWNS MILL RD	5	..	4	. 2	VIENNA	\$2,350,000	Detached	2.28	22182	WINDSTONE	04/11/12
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Home Life Style

Backyard Tips from Local Tastemakers

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"Many people are now collecting rainwater in rain barrels and using it to water their plants," White said. "You can connect a hose to the barrel and use it to water your garden."

HOW DOES ONE'S GARDEN GROW? Landscapes that incorporate both edible and decorative plants are popular now and serve dual purposes: providing both food and beauty. "There has been a huge interest in vegetable gardens, container gardens and fruit gardens, especially dwarf fruit trees, tomatoes, peppers and herbs," said Sherrye Schenk of Potomac Garden Center in North Potomac.

MAKING ROOM. Designers can make accommodations when space is scarce.

"Because many of the yards in this area are small, people don't have the space to dedicate to a larger garden, so we're putting plants in containers and growing what is known as 'patio vegetables,' which don't get as large," said White. "For example, there are certain varieties of tomatoes and eggplants that are suitable for a smaller space."

KEEPING BAMBI AT BAY. Homeowners who live in areas where deer abound also search for plants that don't attract these four-legged friends.

"Anything that is deer resistant is popular now," said Alex Dencker of Behnke Nurseries in Potomac. "Nandina and cherry laurel are deer resistant. 'Green giant arborvitae' works if you're looking for screen plants to create privacy. They grow tall very quickly."

GOING NATIVE. Designers say indigenous plants often grow beautifully with little maintenance and no fertilizer. "Whenever possible, allow things to be what they want to be ... the more a planted area can be self-sustaining [and] not require upkeep, the better," said Nesbitt.

Drought tolerance is another bonus that makes native plants favorites among homeowners and landscape designers. "Purple cone flower are popular, as are creeping phlox which blooms early, provides great ground cover and requires little maintenance," said Dencker. "Black-eyed Susans and redbud trees are also native plants that have colorful buds. There are so many birds and other critters that need our native plants to survive. That is another reason why our native plants are so important."

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SATURDAY/SUNDAY, JUNE 16 & 17

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Staving Off Mosquitoes

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE CONNECTION

Nothing spoils a backyard barbecue like a swarm of blood thirsty mosquitoes. How does one keep bugs at bay without harsh chemicals? Local experts offer tips.

FANS. Landscape architect Mark White of Garden Wise in Arlington, says installing a ceiling fan on a covered patio is an effective method. "They create enough air current to keep mosquitoes from lighting on top of your skin," he said.

ALL-NATURAL SPRAYS. Alex Dencker of Behnke Nurseries in Potomac, says oil-based sprays help keep the mosquito population under control. "Oil-based sprays like cedar oil and clover oil keep

critters off without using nasty chemicals," he said. "Most of these repellants come in sprays or granules."

LEMON. White recommends a lemon-scented plant called lemon bomb as a barrier for repelling mosquitoes. "Lemon scented plants do a bang-up job of keeping mosquitoes [away]," he said. "They provide a scent all over your garden and mosquitoes don't like it. I have it planted all over my yard and on Memorial Day we had no mosquitoes,

which is unheard of in Northern Virginia." He added that citronella geranium plants are also effective mosquito repellants.

INSECTS AS WEAPONS. Sherrye Schenk of Potomac Garden Center in North Potomac, says that preying insects can keep mosquitoes and other pests under control. "Praying mantis and lady bugs work well."

Chemical-free methods for controlling backyard pests.

Herndon to Recognize Yard of the Month

Springtime's rejuvenating spirit is in the air – and the Town of Herndon's Yard of the Month award season is officially under way.

Yard of the Month is an opportunity to recognize the efforts of town residents whose yards contribute to the beautification of the town and its neighborhoods. Citizens may nominate their own or their neighbors' yards for the award. Winners receive gift certificates from Meadows Farms and are recognized by the Mayor and Town Council at public meetings.

Nominations are due June 15 for the July award and September 15 for the October award.

Judges for the Yard of the Month Awards program are members of the Town of Herndon's Cultivating Community committee, a group of citizen volunteers formed to encourage beautification and to enrich the quality of life in the town's neighborhoods.

Nomination forms for the Yard of the Month Awards are available on the Cultivating Community page of the town's Web site, www.herndon-va.gov; see the link off of the homepage at "featured this month." Forms are also available at the at the Herndon Municipal Center and the Herndon Community Center. For more information, call 703/435-6800 X2084 or email information@herndon-va.gov.

Town Of Herndon Advises On Proper Lawn Care

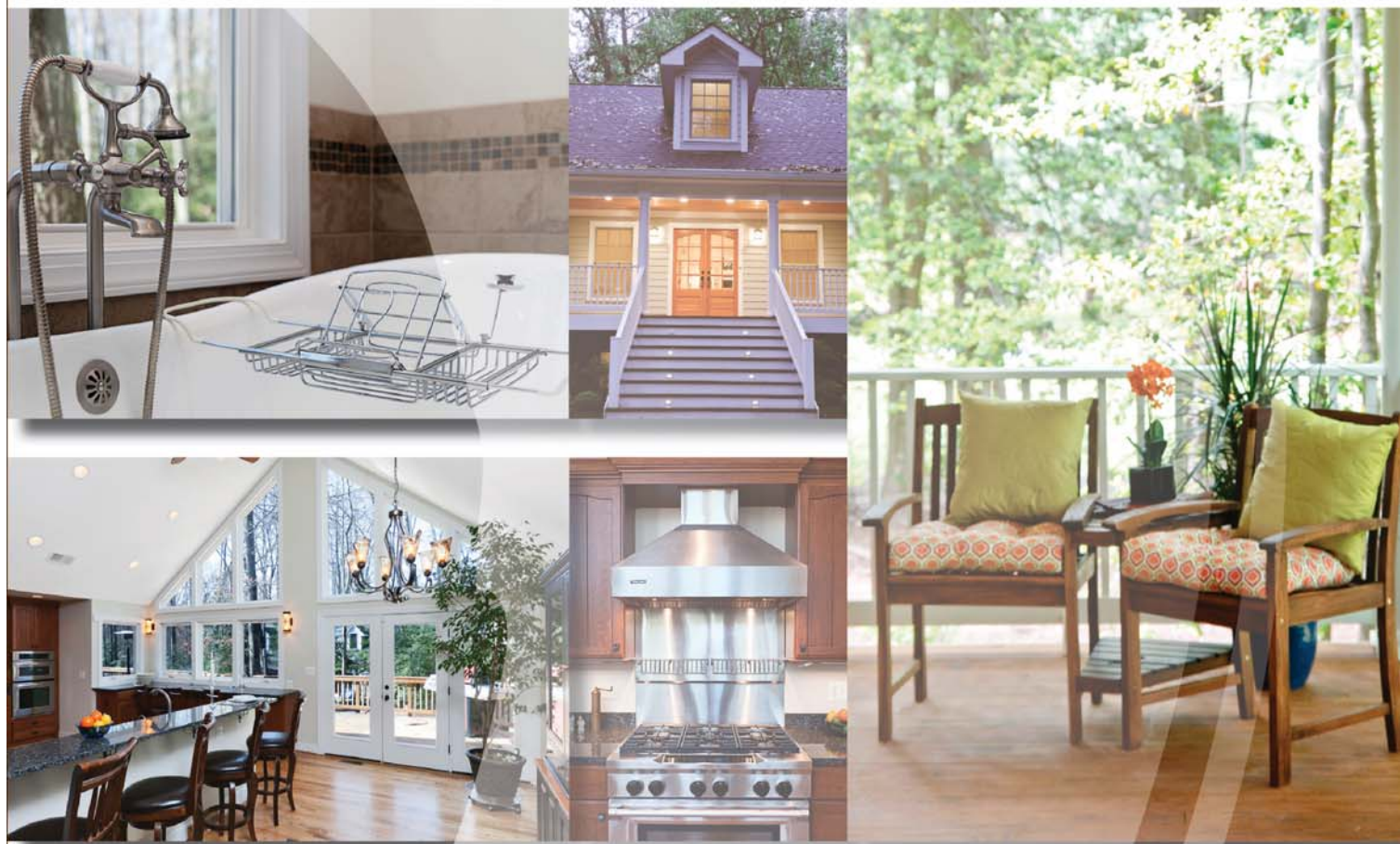
The Town of Herndon's Department of Public Works advises homeowners who fertilize their lawns to wait until fall, the best time to fertilize, when the roots that will sustain the plants through the following summer are actively growing. Spring fertilization should be limited to a light feeding after the initial flush of growth has subsided in May or early June.

"Lime, on the other hand, should be applied in early spring if soil tests show it is necessary," said Bob Boxer, director of Public Works. "Most lawn grasses grow best at a soil pH between six and seven. A soil test report will provide recommendations on how much lime to apply as well as how much fertilizer to apply in the fall. Too much fertilizer, or spillage on sidewalks and driveways, can cause stream pollution."

Soil testing kits may be obtained from all Fairfax County public libraries or from the Virginia Cooperative Extension office in the Government Center (Pennino building, 10th Floor). There is a small fee for the soil analyses.



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THURSDAY/JUNE 14

An Evening with Willie Nile Trio. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. www.janmminjava.com.

Reception and Juror's Talk. 7-9 p.m. McLean Project for the Arts, McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. "Something and Nothing: Activating the Void," a juried exhibition of works that explore empty or open space, nothingness and potentiality. sabrina.anwah@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Something and Nothing: Activating the Void will run through July 28. McLean Project for the Arts, 1234 Ingleside Avenue, McLean, VA. Exhibit brings together artists whose work deals with space, inclusion or absence. www.mpaart.org or 703-790-1953.

FRIDAY/JUNE 15

A Night for Americans: The Pietasters and Sunny Ledford. 8:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

"Flora the Red Menace." 8 p.m. 1st Stage, 1524 Spring Hill Road, Tyson's Corner. A musical by John Kander and Fred Ebb, set in the Great Depression. \$15-\$30. www.1ststage Tysons.org.

Riverdance. 8 p.m. Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. Final performances. www.riverdance.com or www.wolftrap.org.



Dani Stoller as Flora and Joshua Dick as Harry in the 1st Stage production of "Flora the Red Menace." 1st Stage Theatre, 1524 Spring Hill Road in Tysons Corner, will present "Flora the Red Menace" Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays through June 17. Tickets are \$15-\$30. 703-854-1856 or www.1stStageTysons.org.

Friday Afternoon Chess Group. 1 p.m. Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. All ages and skill levels welcome. 703-757-8560.

SATURDAY/JUNE 16

"Flora the Red Menace." 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. 1st Stage, 1524 Spring Hill Road, Tyson's Corner. A musical by John Kander and Fred Ebb, set in the Great Depression. \$15-\$30. www.1ststage Tysons.org. **Benefit Concert for SHARE,** 4-5:30

p.m. at Charles Wesley United Methodist Church, 6817 Dean Dr., McLean. Donate food and hygiene/household supplies, grocery cards, and funds at the concert. Family friendly vocal and instrumental groups from local organizations and Charles Wesley will perform.

For Mercy Reunion: Benefit Concert for One Voice at 7 p.m.; **Defakto, Actual Proof and DJ Mercury** at 10 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. www.janmminjava.com. **Riverdance.** 8 p.m. Wolf Trap National

Park for the Performing Arts, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. Final performances. www.riverdance.com or www.wolftrap.org.

West Coast Swing Dances. 7 p.m. Colvin Run Community Hall, 10201 Colvin Run Road, Great Falls. Second and third Saturday every month. 703-759-2685 or www.colvinrun.org.

Country Western Dance. Luther Jackson Middle School, 3020 Gallows Road, Falls Church. Line dance lesson at 7:30 p.m., couples lesson at 8 p.m. Open dancing 8:30-11 p.m. \$5-\$12. www.nvcwda.org or 703-860-4941.

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

Colonial Wheat Harvest. 1-4 p.m. The Claude Moore Colonial Farm, 6310 Georgetown Pike, McLean. Help the Farm family harvest their wheat and rye crops, such important staples of colonial living. Admission \$2-\$3. 703-442-7557.

SUNDAY/JUNE 17

Antique Car Show. 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Sully Historic Site, 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly. More than 400 antique and classic cars, automotive flea market, live music, food available for purchase and more. \$7-\$10. 703-437-1794.

"Flora the Red Menace." 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. 1st Stage, 1524 Spring Hill Road, Tyson's Corner. A musical by John Kander and Fred Ebb, set in the Great Depression. \$15-\$30. www.1ststage Tysons.org.

Eric Lindell (at The Hamilton). 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple

Ave. East, Vienna. www.janmminjava.com.

Riverdance. 8 p.m. Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. Final performances. www.riverdance.com or www.wolftrap.org.

The Dusty 45s. 6 p.m. Concerts on the Green, Great Falls Village Center, Great Falls. Rockabilly. Free. www.dusty45s.com.

Wood Carving Lessons and Grinding Demonstrations. 12-4 p.m. Colvin Run Mill, 10017 Colvin Run Road, McLean. Carving lessons for age 8 and up. 703-759-2771.

Breakfast Buffet. 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Vienna American Legion, 330 Center St. North, Vienna. Adults \$8, children \$3. omelets, scrambled eggs, blueberry pancakes, bacon and more. Open to the public. 703-938-1379.

MONDAY/JUNE 18

Greater McLean Chamber of Commerce Business Alliance Golf Classic. 11 a.m. Country Club of Fairfax, 5110 Ox Road, Fairfax. With former Washington Redskins player Charles Mann. Register at 703-356-5424 or mcleanchamber.org.

Jon McLaughlin CD Release Show. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. www.janmminjava.com.

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

TUESDAY/JUNE 19

Mystery Book Discussion. 6:30 p.m. Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, SEE ENTERTAINMENT, PAGE 15

FAITH NOTES

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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FATHER'S DAY PHOTO GALLERY



Arun Muralidhar (dad), Sidharth Muralidhar, 12, and Sachin Muralidhar, 10, of Great Falls, at Tower One's eternal waterfall, during spring break, April 2012.



Daddy is helping Alex pick an apple off the tree.



Bill Malpass at his new home in Great Falls with his daughters Remy, 2 1/2 and Maeve, 1. Bill and Melissa are expecting their third baby girl in November.

Peter Sherry with his daughters, Colleen, 9, Kelsey, 12, and Lindsey, 6, and their "puppy" Mattie, 7, enjoy the parade last July 4.



This photo was taken on Captiva Island during spring break 2012. Pictured is dad - John Perez - with (left to right) Avery, Lexie and Luke Perez.



"This photo captures an ordinary Sunday afternoon, with the girls (Chelsea, 2, Kendall, 6, and Audrey, 4,) hanging out with their daddy Jeff Snow," writes Shannon Snow of Great Falls.



Austin (father) and Brayden Verity creating an above ground garden at first sign of spring.



Victoria and Michael Flagg. 16th Birthday, Paris, Nov. 26, 2011.



Jamming on Thanksgiving in Mesa, Ariz. Uncle Dick is on the guitar, Papa and the girls on the violin. From left to right: Richard Rader, Gloria Boos, Rose Boos and Archie Rader.



Papa (Archie Rader) and Rose decorate the Christmas tree last Christmas.

ENTERTAINMENT

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7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. Call for title. Adults. 703-790-8088.

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 20

Counting Crows with Good Old War, Foreign Fields and Filligar. 7 p.m. Wolftrap Center for the Performing Arts, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. Rock and folk music. \$48 in-house, \$30 lawn. www.wolftrap.org or 703-255-1868.

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

Creature Teacher. 2:30 p.m. Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Meet and learn about all kinds of animals. Presented by Bar C Ranch. Sign up each child and adult separately. 703-757-8560.

Model Investment Club of Northern Virginia. 7 p.m. Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church. This group will meet on the third Wednesday all year. New visitors welcome. Adults. 703-790-8088.

THURSDAY/JUNE 21

Empires. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

Chapter 227, Vietnam Veterans of America Inc. 7:30 p.m. Neighbor's Restaurant, 262D Cedar Lane, Cedar Lane Shopping Center, Vienna. Hugo Keesing will discuss his "...Next Stop in Vietnam, The War on Record: 1961-2008", an anthology of the war's musical legacy. The general public and all veterans are invited. Free admission. 703-255-0353 or web page at www.vva227.org.

Natty Breaux. 7:30 p.m. Nottoway Park, 9537 Courthouse Road, Vienna. Swing and more. Free. 703-324-7469.

Summer Reading Program Kick-Off Party. 1:30 p.m. Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Sign up and get great books. Performance by magician Mike Rose. Children. 703-757-8560.

Book Discussion Group. 7:30 p.m. Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Call for title. Adults. 703-757-8560.

Diana Krall with Denzal Sinclair. 8 p.m. Wolftrap Center for the Performing Arts, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. Jazz vocalists. \$50 in-house, \$35 lawn. www.wolftrap.org or 703-255-1868.

FRIDAY/JUNE 22

Movies in the Park. 8:45 p.m. Glyndon Park, 300 Glyndon St. N.E., Vienna. "Puss in Boots." Free. In case of inclement weather, call 703-255-7842 two hours before show time.

Stephen Kellogg and the Sixers. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

Joan Sebastian and Pepe Aguilar. 9 p.m. Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Circle, Fairfax. Latin music equestrian show. \$64-\$144, available at www.ticketmaster.com or 1-800-745-3000.

Friday Afternoon Chess Group. 1 p.m. Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Players of all ages and all skill levels welcome. 703-757-8560.

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

Rain: A Tribute to the Beatles. 8 p.m. Wolftrap Center for the Performing Arts, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. Performing from the Beatles catalogue \$42 in-house, \$25 lawn. www.wolftrap.org or 703-255-1868.

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

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Langley goalie Andrew Spivey is right on top of the action in stopping Chantilly's Cole Fitzgerald from scoring.



Langley defender Kelly Dore tries to impede Oakton's Tori Anderson from getting off her shot. Saxon goalie Erin Long is in position to make the save.

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Saxons Compete in Boys', Girls' State Lax Finals

Langley boys capture fourth straight crown; Langley girls fall in title game loss to Oakton.

BY RICH SANDERS
THE CONNECTION

The chant from the Langley High student body began with about four minutes remaining in last Saturday night's Virginia State Boys Lacrosse championship game at Westfield High School between the Saxons of Langley and Chantilly High. "It's a Fourth-Peat, it's a fourth-peat," is the way the chant went, reverberating from the near-side bleachers, where the large group of Saxon student supporters were perched, and throughout the stadium.

Langley, in fact, was about to capture its mind boggling fourth consecutive state crown. Ahead by three goals with the final minutes counting down, the Langley fandom sensed another title was nearly clinched.

Langley did go on to win the stirring contest, 12-8, in front of a huge early summer-time crowd. The victory marked the third time in four years in which the powerful Saxons have beaten Chantilly in the finals game.

"Coach [Earl] Brewer told us [after the win] that we've all made our mark in [Northern] Region and Virginia State lacrosse history," said Langley senior goalie Andrew Spivey, in the minutes following the win.

The Langley boys' team was not the only Saxons' outfit to be participating in a state championship game on Saturday evening at Westfield. Prior to the boys' finals, the girls' state title lacrosse game, between Langley and Oakton, took place. The Cougars, in that first finals game of the state cham-

pionship night double-header, bested a Langley squad which was making its' first-ever appearance in the state finals by a score of 12-7.

All in all, it was a spectacular night for both Langley teams and their fans who had the rare opportunity to enjoy their teams competing back to back in the biggest games of the season.

IN THE BOYS' FINALS, Langley, going up against a Chantilly team determined to finally get the better of the Saxons in a state title game, fell into an early 3-0 hole over the first five-and-a-half minutes.

Chantilly's large, animated crowd, located in the stadium's far side bleachers, was totally amped up as a result of the early lead. But Langley regrouped in a big time way with three straight goals of its own, over the following two minutes, to tie the game at 3-3. Saxon sophomore attack JT Meyer (2 goals, 2 assists on the game) scored his team's first two goals, the latter coming on a sidarm chance as he moved left to right across the goal area, and senior midfielder Clay Rivers (2 goals) tallied the equalizer on a sizzling liner over his left shoulder from 14 yards out.

Chantilly would get the final goal of the opening quarter for a 4-3 lead, but Langley had answered the Chargers' early firepower.

Langley continued battling from behind in the second quarter following a Chantilly score two minutes into the frame that made it 5-3 Chargers. The Saxons, over the next five minutes, scored twice - scores from junior midfielder Luke Salzer (1 goal, 2 assists) and junior defender Brad Dotson - to tie the game again, at 5-5. The latter score was particularly outstanding as Dotson carried the ball about 40 yards down the field before connecting on a shot off the right from 14 yards away.

A few minutes later, Chantilly's Luke Bowers, in traffic around the Langley goal area, made a terrific play in somehow getting off a quality shot. The ball went in and

Chantilly, once again, had the lead, 6-5.

But the Saxons came up with the equalizer with 26 seconds left when senior attack Josh Sibio (3 goals) scored from 15 yards out moving right across the goal area to deadlock the game at 6-6 going into half-time. The score was set up by Dotson, who once again made a wonderful jaunt down the field before passing left to Sibio, who came up with the big goal.

Although Langley had never led in the first half, it had thrice come back to tie the score. The Saxons, with the final goal before the intermission, had somehow seized the game's momentum.

Langley was simply outstanding in the second half, dominating the first five-plus minutes in building up what would be an insurmountable 10-6 advantage.

Despite the early deficits of 3-0 and 5-3, Langley had collected itself in the latter stages of the first quarter and gone on to play a superb game.

"We've been down before," said Spivey, afterwards. "I never felt at any time we were totally out of it. We all know exactly what it takes to win. We were down three goals [early] but didn't panic."

Seventeen Langley seniors were dressed in the Saxons' dark green and gold uniform colors for the final time. Coach Brewer said the 12th graders and underclassmen alike have made an enormous impression on him.

"These are wonderful kids," he said. "I love them and will miss the [graduating seniors] tremendously," he said.

EARLIER IN THE EVENING the Langley girls, under head coach Richard DeSomma, gave it everything they had in their state finals game against an Oakton team playing in its second straight state title contest.

A year after losing in the state title game, Oakton took the next step and won this year's state crown with the 12-7 win over Langley.

"We competed and gave it our all," said Langley's Kelly Martins, a senior midfielder

and a Saxon team captain. "Oakton is a great team and we knew that." It marked the first state championship triumph in the history of the Oakton girls' lacrosse program and came one year after the Cougars had reached the state title game before losing to Vienna cross-town rival Madison.

Oakton prevailed against a Langley squad which was making its first-ever state finals appearance. In the championship game matchup between the two Northern Region teams, the Cougars, who finished the season with an overall record of 18-2, jumped in front 3-0 and never relinquished the lead thereafter.

"Last year we were denied pretty badly, losing by eight or nine," said Oakton head coach Jean Counts, recalling the 2011 state finals loss to Madison.

Counts, in the championship affair with the Saxons, saw her team play a solid, overall strong game in which the Cougars' played suffocating defense while, on the offensive end, running when they could and displaying good passing, ball movement, and patience. Six different Oakton players scored goals, with sophomore midfielder Jackie Rupp, celebrating her birthday, leading the way with four of those scores. Goalie Emily George, in the net, played a typically solid game with her Cougars' teammates in front of her doing a thorough job of keeping the Saxons at bay.

Langley received three goals apiece from junior midfielder Hayley Soutter. Also scoring for the Saxons were junior midfielder Grace Goettman, Kelly Martins, junior midfielder Olivia Sisson (1 goal, 1 assist), and senior midfielder Ellie Glasgow (1 goal, 2 assists)

Langley, which qualified for states last year for the first time, was making its first appearance in the finals.

"It started in the off-season before our practices even started on Aug. 29," said Martins, of the Saxons' tremendous season. "We wanted it this year and everyone came together."

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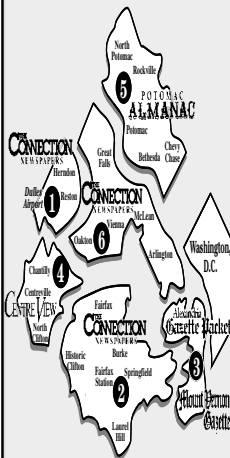
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By KENNETH B. LOURIE

I last celebrated my father's day six years ago, in 2006. Six months later, in early December, he finally succumbed to that which had been ailing him: old age for sure, the effects of two strokes for certain and the realization that it was, as we like to say in our family: "Enough already." Pain and suffering is all it's anticipated to be, so when my father died in his sleep that early Saturday morning in late fall, 2006, it was a blessing; one occasionally in disguise, but one nonetheless. He wasn't ever getting better, he was already in hospice care, it was time. He was 87.

"Barnet, Barnet, Barnet," I would call out to my father in my best from-Boston accent when I would first enter the residence my parents maintained in Leisure World in Silver Spring.

"Yo! Yo! Yo!," my father would respond, specifically, as he had for as long as I could remember. (I don't think my generation uses the word/expression "Yo" to account for one's presence.) "Barnet," his adolescent given name; "Benet," on his birth certificate; "Barry" (later in life) to his friends, family and business associates; and "Beez," a nickname given to him by a fellow member of a knothole gang in the 1920s/30s (who said everybody had to have a nickname), to me; the name that I respectfully called him my entire life. My brother, Richard and I miss him very much, as we do our mother, Celia, who died nearly two years later, also in early December.

Our parents, and for the focus of this column, our father, was devoted to his children and family. We were very fortunate. Let me try to explain.

My father was the father who, for years, every morning, drove about a dozen Elementary School kids to school, crammed into his Oldsmobile. If I heard the word "laps," once, I heard it a thousand times, maybe literally. My father was the father always present at Little League games, sitting in the grandstand rooting for his son and his son's team (the Little League Red Sox as it happened to be) and behaving. Never once did he engage or enrage an umpire or another team's coach. He did, however, often come down behind the bench where I would be sitting between innings to offer fatherly advice – and encouragement about my pitching: "Don't drag your right leg." "Take a deep breath between pitches." And of course, the constant throughout my entire life: "Stop biting your nails!" My father was the father who played catch with his son – at every opportunity, and on weekends would drive me to the local Junior High School where he would stand me up against the baseball backstop and hit me grounders, fly balls and pop-ups – for practice. My father was the father who took his kids to baseball games at Fenway Park and basketball games at the old Boston Garden. The Red Sox games would usually be on Saturday afternoons (or Sundays, depending on the time of year) so as not to interfere with my mother's standing hair appointment at her Beauty Salon. The Celtics game was typically the first Sunday afternoon game of the season (my father owned a jewelry store in downtown Boston and other than July and August, only had Sundays off), usually against the Philadelphia 76ers, which meant Bill Russell against Wilt Chamberlain; it didn't get any better than that. My father was the father who, after driving his son (yours truly) to my driver's license driving test (which I passed the first time), had me drive him to the subway just so I could drive myself to school that very first day and have a car – without waiting one extra day, despite the obvious inconvenience to him and my mother (there was only one car in the family).

My father was the most positive, supportive, encouraging and enthusiastic person I knew. His influence on his children while he was alive is only surpassed by his continuing influence on us after his death. He lives on in our hearts and minds despite his absence, and so we honor him, especially on Father's day. He is gone, but certainly not forgotten. He was one-of-a-kind, and his two children were lucky he lived as long as he did.

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