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Jim Moran



Patrick Murray



Jason Howell



Janet Murphy

❖ **Jim Moran, 67:** A native of Buffalo, N.Y., Moran was raised in Natick, Mass., and moved to Northern Virginia in the 1970s to work as a stockbroker. He has a bachelor's degree in economics from the College of the Holy Cross and a master's degree in public administration from the University of Pittsburgh. He was first elected to the Alexandria City Council in 1979, and was elected mayor in 1985. He ran for Congress in 1990, and has been reelected 10 times.

❖ **Patrick Murray, 53:** A native of Oklahoma City, Okla., Murray moved to the Carlyle neighborhood after retiring from the Army in 2009. He has a bachelor's degree in economics from Oklahoma State University, a master's degree ancient history from Oklahoma State University and a master's degree in Russian Studies from Ohio State University. He served in the Army from 1986 to 2009,

retiring as a colonel who was stationed in New York City as part of the diplomatic corps.

❖ **Jason Howell, 38:** A native of Anaheim, Calif., Howell was raised in Northern Virginia. He has an associate's degree from Northern Virginia Community College in Annandale and a bachelor's degree in accounting from George Mason University. He worked in banking and accounting before founding his own company and writing "America: Still the Land of Opportunity," which was self-published in 2011.

❖ **Janet Murphy, 61:** A native of Boston, Murphy was raised in Beverly, Mass. She has a bachelor's degree in English drama from McGill University in Montreal, Canada. She has a master's degree in counseling from the University of the District of Columbia. She is a former real-estate agent who is currently a property manager for two buildings in Dupont Circle and a building in Brightwood.

Trio of Challengers Against Moran

Republican, Independent Green and independent candidates all hope to take on longtime congressman.

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE
GAZETTE PACKET

A trio of challengers will oppose longtime U.S. Rep. Jim Moran (D-8) this November, although the Northern Virginia district is solidly blue and not considered competitive. Challengers include a conservative Republican, a liberal Independent Green and an independent candidate hoping to steer clear of partisan influence.

"It's not realistic to think that any of these candidates poses a serious threat to Moran," said Toni-Michelle Travis, political science professor at George Mason University. "But our democracy is founded on the idea that members of Congress should be challenged every election, so it's good to have the debate."

And there's a lot to debate. The congressman's opponents are calling for everything from the repeal of the Affordable Care Act to reopening the 9/11 Commission. They face an uphill battle in the Eighth Congressional District, where Moran is well known for using his position on the Appropriations Committee to steer federal money to Northern Virginia. As a member of the House of Representatives for the last 22 years, Moran is one of the most recognizable members of the Virginia delegation.

"With so many Democrats in Northern Virginia, this seat is as safe as you can get," said Kyle Kondick, analyst with the University of Virginia Center for Politics. "If he was ever in any trouble, it would be in a primary and not in a general election."

WHEN ASKED ABOUT his goals for the next term, Moran said his top priority is avoiding any negative impact of the "sequester"—\$1.2 trillion in automatic spending cuts that would be triggered if Congress cannot reach a deal to reduce the deficit by the end of the year. The congressman said sequestration would have a particularly devastating influence in Northern Virginia, where cuts to defense spending plays an important role in the local economy.

"We've got to avoid it," said Moran. "And I think the way to avoid it is to reset the budget table by letting the Bush tax cuts expire and getting enough revenue on the table that we can afford government at a reasonable level."

Moran also said he wants to invest in early childhood education and research into early childhood development. He noted that the budget proposal submitted by U.S. Rep. Paul Ryan (R-Wisc.), who is the vice presidential nominee on the presidential ticket, eliminated the Child Care Tax Credit. Moran said that's a mistake. The congressman said he wants a "large piece" of funding for pre-Kindergarten in the Elementary and Secondary Education Act reauthorization, although he wasn't willing to say how much because the numbers are still being negotiated. He also wants to start investing in public transit in southeast Fairfax County, eventually extending the Metro system south from the Springfield Metro station toward Fort Belvoir.

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Reilly Takes Reins At McLean High

New principal comes from Herndon High School.

BY ALEX MCVEIGH
THE CONNECTION

Ellen Reilly has been named principal at McLean High School, replacing Dr. Deborah Jackson, who left in July. Reilly comes to McLean High from Herndon High School, where she served as an assistant principal. She previously served as an assistant principal at Oakton High School, and as an American Sign Language teacher at Falls Church High School and Mantua Elementary School.

"As an assistant principal, Ms. Reilly led the English Department in standards-based instructional practice methods which resulted in the creation and use of common assessments in English for all grade levels," said Marty Smith, Fairfax County Cluster One assistant superintendent. "She also created and organized a Wellness program for students and staff at Herndon High School."

Reilly says she believes that it is important for the students to balance schoolwork with the wide range of activities and organizations offered at the school.

"Part of being a community includes your participation in the various co- and extracurricular activities we offer, while balancing your class work," she wrote in her welcome letter to the McLean community.

Reilly also said in her letter that she hopes to stay involved with the school community in as many ways as possible.

"People are excited to see her walking the halls, visiting classrooms and at the football games meeting the Highlander community," said Loretta D'Erme, president of the McLean High PTSA. "Many parents look forward to her sessions she is planning, at which parents will be able to express their thoughts, concerns and expectations. She is very receptive to the pro-



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Ellen Reilly, new principal at McLean High School.

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Reilly received her bachelor's at North Carolina State in history, her master's in Educational Leadership and is currently a doctoral candidate in Educational Leadership and Policy Studies at Virginia Tech.

She also completed courses in History and American Sign Language at the University of Virginia and American Sign Language at Gallaudet University.

Deadline for Nominations for Leadership Awards

Leadership Fairfax (LFI) will present its annual Northern Virginia Leadership Awards at the NVLA Luncheon on Thursday, Nov. 8, at Westwood Country Club in Vienna, from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. The NVLA Awards is the premier forum in Northern Virginia to celebrate leaders who make a difference in the community.

We invite you to participate by nominating an individual, non-profit, or corporation that exemplified community-wide leadership during the 2012 year. Nominations may be made via the Leadership Fairfax website at www.leadershipfairfax.org/nvla and are due by COB Thursday, Sept. 20. Details about each award are on the website.

Tickets: members, \$60 and non-members, \$75.

For questions contact Danielle Wallace at 703-752-7518.

For sponsorships and table sales information contact Jolie Smith, LFI '11 at 703-752-7553.

McLean AAUW to Host Open House

The McLean Area Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) invites all members and interested persons to an open house on Sunday, Sept. 23 at 2:30 p.m. at the McLean Community Center (1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean). At the open house, you will be introduced to the Special Interest AAUW Groups: Around Town, Bridge, Current Events and Great Decisions Discussions, International Coffee and Cultural Exchange and Literature Groups. You will also learn about volunteer opportunities at the Pimmit Center, as well as working with middle and high school girls in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) programs, and AAUW Lobby Corps.

AAUW's mission is to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research. Recipients of the McLean Branch AAUW local scholarships attending George Mason University and Trinity College will tell you their stories. Contact Mary Ellen at 703-790-5550.

Brad Williams to Speak at Chamber's Monthly Breakfast

Brad Williams, Co-founder of Business Resources Alliance Group (doing business as The Alternative Board®-West Fairfax-Alexandria) will deliver a speech to the Greater McLean Chamber of Commerce at the Chamber's monthly breakfast meeting, Wednesday, Oct. 10, 2012 from 7:30 until 9 a.m. at J. Gilbert's Wood-Fired Steaks and Seafood, 6930 Old Dominion Drive, McLean. Williams will speak on business valuation and how to pinpoint weakness in your business.

Williams' seminar will explore the eight factors that contribute to the value of a business and how the buyer calculates return on investment scenarios when evaluating an acquisition. Key takeaways will include insight to whether your business is "easy" or "hard" to sell, how to improve the sellability of your business, and questions you need to ask before you sell your business.

The cost to attend this event is \$20 for Chamber members and \$25 for future members (\$25/\$30 if purchased at the door). For more information or to purchase tickets please call 703-356-5424 or visit www.mcleanchamber.org.

Langley High School 10-Year Reunion

The Langley High School Class 2002 will celebrate their 10-Year Reunion on Saturday, Nov. 24, 2012 at 8 p.m. at the City Tavern Club, 3206 M Street, NW, Washington, D.C.

Don't miss this great opportunity to share the celebration over drinks, hors d'oeuvres and entertainment. Bring your spouse, significant other or a friend. Tickets can be purchased online at <http://2002lhsreunion.eventbrite.com/>.

For more information email LangleyHS2002@gmail.com.

NEWS



The Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps performed at last year's McLean 5K. This year's will raise money for transitional housing for Wounded Warriors at Vinson Hall.

5K to Raise Money for Military Housing

Second annual run will feature 23 wounded warriors.

BY ALEX McVEIGH
THE CONNECTION

The streets of downtown McLean will be transformed into a race track Saturday, Oct. 6, as the second annual McLean 5K Run With the Warriors race is held.

The event is hosted by Vinson Hall, which is a retirement community that houses more than 200 retired military and government personnel. Their goal is to raise funds for the Wounded Warrior Transitional Housing Project, which will create a series of handicapped-accessible apartments in the complex for wounded service members who have been discharged from Walter Reed National Military Medical Center and are being evaluated before returning to active duty.

"We brought a few of the wounded warriors from Walter Reed to examine some of our apartments that are being renovated, to see what sort of modifications can be made," said Fred Johnson, director of special programs and events at Vinson Hall. "They told us about removing rugs, because they can get caught in prosthetics, about how to make a bathroom more wheelchair accessible, how to adjust counter heights for ease of use. And every penny raised from this race will go toward this project, to make those apartments accessible for those who need them."

ONE APARTMENT is already under construction, and there are tentative plans to move a Maine captain in. Johnson believes the environment at Vinson Hall will be helpful for young men and women who are getting used to life after their injury.

"The neat thing is, we have a lot of veterans from World War II, Korea, Vietnam, veterans who have seen terrible things and suffered terrible injuries," he said. "We have Pearl Harbor, Battle of Normandy, Battle of Midway survivors, who were able to get past their experiences and often thrive, and that's a good example for them to be around."

This year's course will be in downtown McLean, which is a more level environment than in years past. So far 23 wounded warriors are registered for the event, and event organizers are looking for sponsor-

ships for the wounded warrior participants.

"We tried to give people as many opportunities as possible to support the cause, which is clearly a very worthy one," said Jason Carrier with Century 21, one of the hosts for the event. "If you can't make it, maybe you want to sponsor a wounded warrior, or Sue Bozgoz, a retired Army lieutenant colonel who coaches soldiers in track, says events like this are part of the road to recovery for injured service members.

"As a coach, I've learned that just the act of training for an event like this helps people get past the pain and depression they might be experiencing and give them something to plan and prepare for," she said.

Millie Daniels, a retired captain who also coaches, agreed with Bozgoz, saying that having a concrete goal can make a difference for troops coming to grips with their post-injury reality.

"The training keeps them in the present, which is very important when people are terrified of the future and can't escape from the horror of what they've experienced in the past," Daniels said. "This is the kind of event that can be uplifting, and it gives them something to train for, to hope for, to live for."

Bozgoz and Daniels will bring in several women veterans as part of the Run in Her Boots program, which celebrated women who have served in a war zone.

"There are a lot of women veterans ending up in homeless shelters, women who research suggests were victims of abuse before entering the service, then who may have been subject to trauma while in the service," Bozgoz said. "We find that a lot of women aren't taking advantage of services offered by the Veterans Administration, and this is a chance to say thank you. Americans who have been in the foxhole for their country should not have to spend a single second homeless on the street."

THE MCLEAN 5K RUN for the Warriors will take place Saturday, Oct. 6, with registration starting at 6:45 a.m. and the race kicking off at 8 a.m. More information, including registration and volunteer information, can be found at www.mclean5k.com.

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NEWS

The Lemon Road School Principal Andrew Camarda discussing the values of reading with students at the Sept. 14 awards party.



Woman's Club, Lemon Road School Reward Children for Summer Reading

On Friday, Sept. 14, at McLean's Lemon Road Elementary School, the Woman's Club of McLean hosted an awards party with pizza and ice cream for students in the school's summer reading program. The club presented a \$20 gift certificate for books to three of the children, selected by lot, one from first and second grade, one from third and fourth grade and one from fifth and sixth grade, and every student in the program got a "goody bag" of school supplies.

About 50 children have participated in the program in each of the last two years, compared with only 30 in 2010. From the end of each school year until fall—a period of 62 days this year—the students keep a log of the time they spend reading. The ideal, according to Karla Barnes, Lemon Road's reading specialist, is for a child to read for

at least two-thirds of the summer. Reading for as little as 30 or 40 minutes a day "counts."

The purpose of the program, according to Barnes, is to encourage reading, a definite priority at the school: Lemon Road's motto this year is "Reading takes you everywhere." As the children were finishing their ice cream, Principal Andrew Camarda addressed them about the importance of reading. "Reading develops the imagination," he said, and "imagination helps us create new things."

The program at Lemon Road can be considered an institution, having been administered by the Woman's Club and the school since the early 1990s.

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On Top of North America

Brian DeMocker, of McLean, climbs to the highest point in North America.

BY LAURA TUCK

For Brian DeMocker, of McLean, being high means being on a mountaintop above 14,000 feet. Up until this summer, he'd reached that elevation 15 times, mostly in Colorado. But on July 1 of this year, he conquered

the 20,320 foot summit of Denali in Alaska, the highest point in North America.

Denali isn't the tallest mountain in the world—that honor goes to Mt. Everest at 29,029 feet, but it is one of the most challenging to climb. It boasts the most northern latitude of any mountain above 20,000

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At 11,200 feet, Brian DeMocker, of McLean, enjoys beautiful weather at Camp 2.



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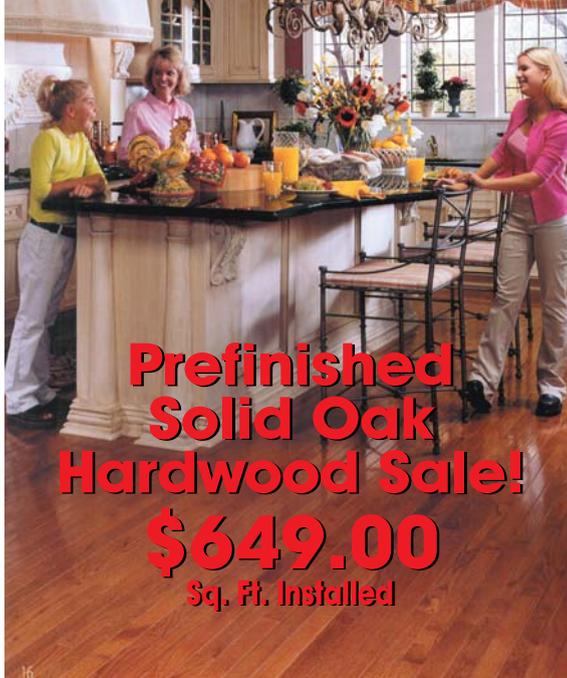
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Brian DeMocker, of McLean, pushing hard on the fixed lines of the headwall, 900 feet of 45-50 degree snow and ice, behind a guide and another client.

Conquering Denali

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feet, which means the available oxygen is lower than on other mountains of comparable height. But the biggest challenge is the weather. At the summit, Denali has one of the harshest year-round temperature averages of anywhere on earth, with extreme cold and fierce wind. There are also frequent blizzards and avalanches, even through the summer months. This year, while the lower 48 states were experiencing record heat, Alaska was setting a record for snow accumulation.

Denali is also a demanding mountain in terms of elevation gain for climbers: 18,000 feet from base to summit, with a required ascent of some 12,000 feet, more than any other mountain, including Everest. And, unlike on other world class mountains, there are no porters or mules to help with the load. Climbers carry up to 60 pounds of gear on their backs while dragging 40 pounds on sleds. Most teams attempting Denali spend around three weeks on the mountain.

In 2012, according to Denali National Park statistics, only 40 percent of climbers who attempted to summit the mountain accomplished that feat (the lowest percentage in 13 years), due primarily to the heavy snowfall and severe weather. On June 13, the day before Brian began his ascent, four Japanese climbers were killed on the part of the mountain called Motorcycle Hill when an avalanche swept them into a crevasse, bringing to six the number of climbers killed attempting to summit during the 2012 climbing season. Seven climbers died in 2011.

BRIAN'S JOURNEY began during the spring of 2011, his junior year in high school, when he set his sights on summiting the 20,000 foot mountain before he matriculated in college. The requirements were daunting, including the need to attain peak fitness, acquire the

necessary technical skills (use of crampons, ice axe and fixed lines; crevasse rescue; self-arrest; snow camping; and glissade and glacier movement, among others) and, of course, amassing the requisite funds.

But Brian was unfazed. In 2011, he signed up for a Denali preparation course on Mt. Rainier with an outfitter called Alpine Ascents out of Seattle, Wash. During the summer after his junior year in high school, he flew to Washington State, completed the course, and had his skills certified to take on the big mountain.

The next step was to develop an intensive exercise regime. Brian was on the varsity swim team at Flint Hill School and was swimming five days a week. To that, he added a cross training program that involved cycling, running, lifting and dragging on the W&OD trail several times he was given by McLean Automotive to simulate pulling the sleds on Denali.

Eventually, there was the question of money. Brian had a job coaching the winter swim program for the Langley Swim Club both his junior and senior year in school. He worked for the aquatics program at Madeira's Camp Greenway during the summer of 2011. He started a dog walking business in Langley Oaks. His senior year, he added a job at the Tysons Corner Center California Pizza Kitchen to earn the funds he would need to pay for gear, airfare, lodging, Denali National Park fees and to cover the costs of using Alpine Ascents again as his outfitter.

Brian flew from Dulles to Anchorage on June 12. He caught a ride on a shuttle to Talkeetna, the staging ground for all trips up the mountain. There he met up with his Alpine Ascents team, a group of five other climbers and two guides. Brian was by far the youngest member of the team. Alpine Ascents is one of six outfitters authorized to run ascents up

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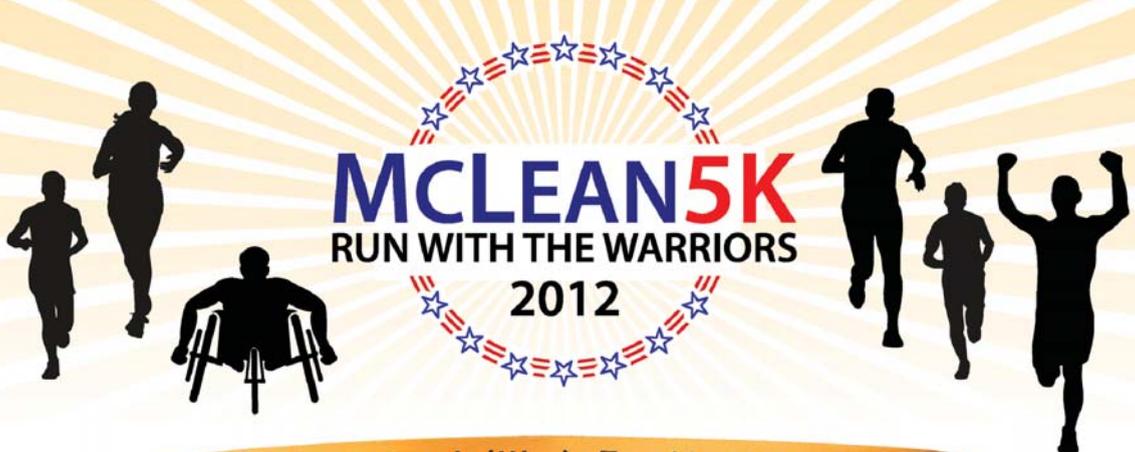


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OPINION

Bill of Rights Makes Democracy Work

Rare opportunity to see George Washington's copy of the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

On June 22, 2012, the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association emerged from intense bidding at a Christie's auction in New York, securing George Washington's personal copy of the Acts of Congress. The price at the auction was just under \$10 million.

This week, this volume containing George Washington's personal copy of the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and other legislation passed by the first session of Congress, with his handwritten notes in the margins, went on display at the Mount Vernon Estate, on Constitution Day which was Monday, Sept. 17. The book will be on display at Donald W. Reynolds Museum and Education Center at the Mount Vernon Estate through President's Day in February 2013.

It is certainly worth the trip to see. The Constitution and the Bill of Rights, the first 10 amendments, are a model of spare writing, packing every word and phrase with meaning, anticipating much and providing a framework for future. Here is the text of the Bill of Rights, courtesy of the Library of Congress. I cannot imagine that 500 words anywhere from any era convey so much power. These 500 words are what make democracy work.

A BILL OF RIGHTS as provided in the Ten Original Amendments to The Constitution of the United States in force December 15, 1791.

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establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

Article II
A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

Article III
No Soldier shall, in time of peace be quartered in any house, without the consent of the Owner, nor in time of war, but in a manner to be prescribed by law.

Article IV
The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no Warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by Oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.

Article V
No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the Militia, when in actual service in time of War or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offence to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall

be compelled in any Criminal Case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.

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Article VIII
Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted.

Article IX
The enumeration in the Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people.

Article X
The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Energy Efficiency: It's in Our Homes and Wallets

To the Editor:

The word sustainability scares some people, but energy efficiency just makes common sense and is one of the ways that sustainability becomes tangible for people. As we encounter rising energy costs in every aspect of our lives, it just makes sense to make our homes and the systems that run them cheaper and more environmentally responsible. We spend much of our time at home with family and friends, and homes have a huge impact on energy consumption and the health of the planet. The good news is that you can take charge and make a big difference. The Local Energy Alliance Program (LEAP) in Charlottesville, Va. has helped many families in Central Virginia and Northern Virginia.

LEAP helps people save money over time on their energy bills by assessing the

house and replacing or fixing parts in the house. They use the best products while also not spending a fortune up front. The homeowners create a budget for themselves for the project, and LEAP has financial incentives to encourage homeowners to make the improvements.

Retrofitting your home to make it more affordable and more energy efficient could mean installing new systems into an existing structure by replacing old parts with new modern parts or it could mean anything from new insulation, new triple pane low energy windows, or changing the kind of light

bulbs you use. Many will argue that reforming transportation and cutting down on automotive use is the first priority. While it is true that cars cause carbon dioxide pollution and major headaches, people

still need to get around. Not many people are willing to truly give up driving. I'm one of them. According

to Department of Energy, the energy used in buildings account for 75 percent of electric power consumption in the United States and half of the greenhouse gas emissions. According to a talk by Edward Mazria, founder of Architecture 2030, energy consumption in the building sector is 50.1 percent of the total energy consumption in the country while 27.6 percent is accounted for in the transportation sector. More energy is being consumed and wasted in homes and businesses, which impacts the family budget and our quality of life. Heat and cool air flows out of your home from old windows, doors, and small openings and

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The Best Kind of Home Improvement

To the Editor:

Kudos to Sally Horn of the MCA for joining the Energy Action Fairfax pilot project and to homeowners Ernest Carter and Roshanak Badii who invited neighbors over to watch the energy audit of their home ("McLean Home Hosts Energy Audit," McLean Connection, Sept. 5-11, 2012). The professional auditor was able to pinpoint areas of the house where energy is wasted—by air leaking in or out of the house and insufficient insulation—and calculate which improvements could most cost-effectively increase the comfort level of the home while cutting heating and cooling bills. More homeowners need to hear about the benefits of home energy audits and subsequent energy performance improvements that will improve their comfort and the value of their homes.

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POLITICS

Trio Against Moran in 8th District

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"We have got to start reinvesting in our nation's infrastructure, particularly public transit," said Moran. "We've disinvested over the last several years, so it's going to cost us more now to get back to where we ought to be."

IN THE LAST election, Republican Patrick Murray was able to score about 37 percent against Moran, who won with a solid 61 percent of the vote. This year, Murray is hoping to improve on that performance. If elected, Murray said that he would try to balance the budget by reforming entitlement programs. Specifically, he said, he would raise the age of eligibility for Social Security from 67 to 70 and implement a system of means testing.

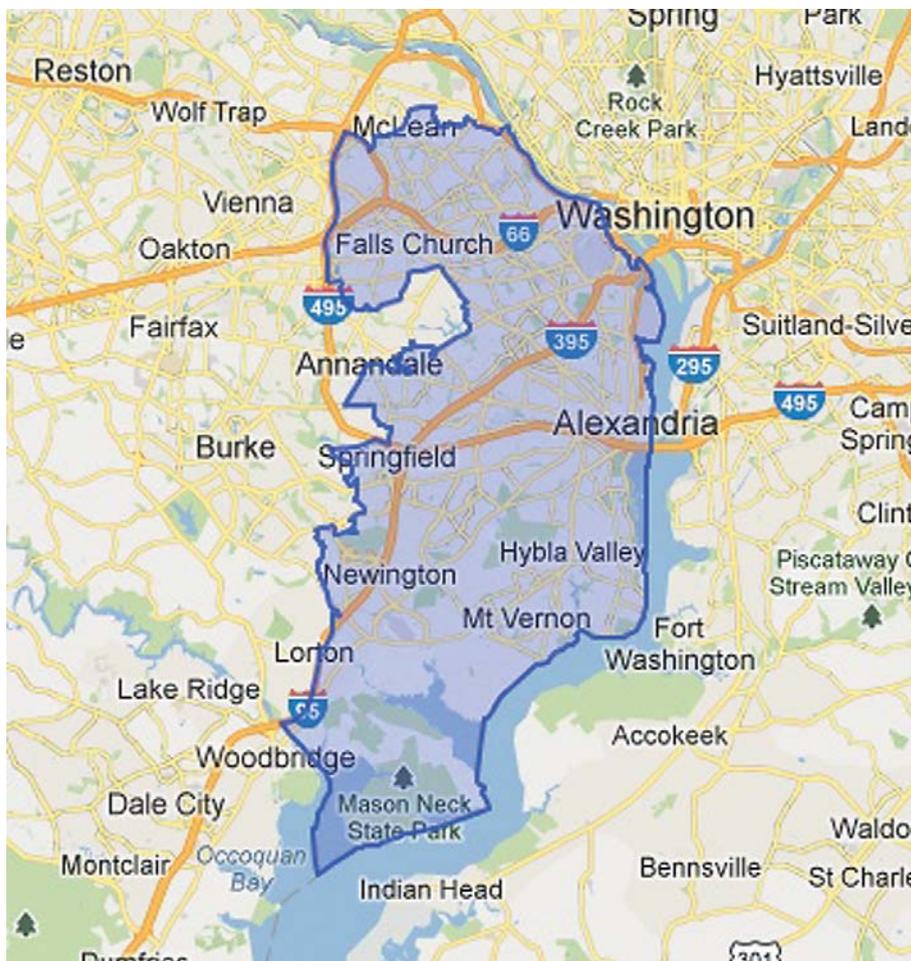
"I'm proud of picking Mitt Romney for picking Paul Ryan because we want to rescue Medicare and Social Security," said Murray. "If you ask anybody under 40 years old if they think they are going to have Social Security or Medicare, they laugh because they know they are not going to under the current system." Another priority for Murray would be to repeal the Affordable Care Act, which Murray said is a drain on small businesses. Murray sees overturning the landmark health-care act as a way to help the economy because he said small businesses would hire more employees, which would reduce unemployment. The Republican candidate also said he wants to extend the controversial Keystone XL pipeline and expand drilling for oil off the coast of Virginia.

"We need to pursue more of our own natural resources," said Murray. "To me, that's a huge no-brainer."

IN ADDITION to the Democrat and Republican, voters will also have an independent and an Independent Green candidate to choose from. The independent candidate is Jason Howell, author of the 2011 book "America: Still the Land of Opportunity." Howell said the inspiration for the book came from his experiences as recruiter working during the economic collapse in 2009. If elected, Howell said he would revise the Dodd-Frank Act so small and regional banks do not have to meet as many compliance rules as large banks. He said the details of how that would work have yet to be worked out.

"I don't have all of that written out," said Howell. "But we know what a regional bank is. We just have to write it out."

Howell said he would also work to reduce the level



The Eighth Congressional District

of paperwork that is needed for small companies to go public. Like the banking reform, Howell says that many of the reforms instituted after the 2009 economic crash don't make enough distinctions between big businesses that created the problem and smaller businesses that might be unnecessarily stifled by new regulations. He said he would also like to become a champion for telecommuting among federal agencies, using the Patent and Trademark Office as an example that should be followed by the rest of the federal government.

"Somebody needs to be a spokesman for telecommuting policy," said Howell. "I want to be that spokesman."

INDEPENDENT GREEN candidate Janet Murphy offers yet another perspective to the ballot. Like many of her colleagues in the Independent Green movement, Murphy believes voters should have choices beyond the two major parties.

That's why she's spent the last few months getting several third-party candidates on the presidential ballot, including Green Party Jill Stein, Libertarian Party Gary Johnson and Constitution Party candidate Virgil Goode. Now that the ballot qualification is over, Murphy is turning her attention elsewhere. "I need a job," said Murphy. "I don't have one."

If elected, Howell said she would work to reopen the investigation into 9/11 because she feels the official story has a number of discrepancies. She said she would also work to repeal the Patriot Act, which she said was unnecessary and encourages an abuse of the justice system. Howell would also ban mountaintop removal mining, which she says is dangerous to the environment.

"It's so egregiously bad, and they keep on doing it," said Murphy. "They work around the EPA rules, and it's very corrupt."



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Date: October 14, 2012 • **Time:** 8:00 A.M.

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WEDNESDAY/SEPT. 19

Photography Competition. 7:30-9:30 p.m., in the Lecture Hall of Thoreau Middle School, 2505 Cedar Lane, Vienna. The Vienna Photographic Society will hold a photo competition; the optional theme of this competition is "Blue," meaning that the main image must focus on the color. Members may submit, including people who join that night. 703-801-6106 or www.vps-va.org.

AE3. 8 p.m., at Jammin Java, 227 Maple Ave. E, Vienna. Quality live music at a local venue. \$12. 703-255-1566 or <http://jamminjava.com>.

FRIDAY/SEPT. 21

4th Annual Keep Tysons Moving Event. 7:30-9 a.m., at Capital One Bank Headquarters, 1680 Capital One Bank, McLean. In the next year, two major transportation projects in the region will wrap up construction and begin operations - providing new travel options to those who work, live and play in Tysons Corner. 517-419-6104 or 495ExpressLanes.com/keep-tysons-moving.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 22

Fifth Annual College Fair. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., The Church for All Nations, 8526 Amanda Place, Vienna. Korea Daily will host the fifth annual college fair event sponsored by McDonald's. <http://collegefair.koreadaily.com/fair/>.

American Legion Post 180 Meet and Greet. Noon-3 p.m., at 330 Center St., N., Vienna. Hot dogs, soft drinks, and a DJ. 703-938-9535.

Model Railroad (HO Scale) Open House and Display. 1-5 p.m. Historic Vienna Depot, 231 Dominion Road NE, Vienna. The layout depicts the Western North Carolina Railroad (now a portion of the Norfolk Southern) during the period of transition from steam to diesel. Free, donations accepted. www.nvmr.org or 703-938-5157.

Fairfax Symphony Orchestra: Masterworks I. 8 p.m. George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. \$25-\$55. 703-563-1990 or www.fairfaxsymphony.org.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 23

Ninth Annual Super H 5K Run, Walk and Wheel. 7 a.m. registration, 8 a.m. race. Tysons Sport & Health, 8250 Greensboro Drive, McLean. Registrants can walk, run or use their wheelchairs or handcycles through the event which benefits MedStar National Rehabilitation

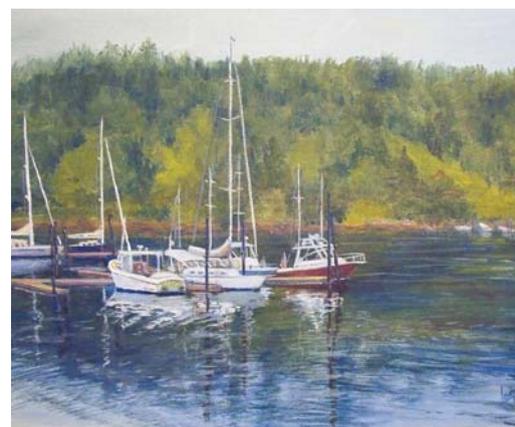
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The exhibition is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Tuesdays through Saturdays through Sept. 29 at the Vienna Art Center, 115 Pleasant St., NW, Vienna. 703-319-3971 or www.viennaartsociety.org.

"Quiet, Hear the Loon," acrylic, by Pauline Lorfano, won first place.

A Farce That Never Lets Up "Suite Surrender" now at 1st Stage in Tysons.

BY DAVID SIEGEL
THE CONNECTION

If you like your farce with loud bull-horn voices, lots of slamming doors, and telegraphed actions, then the 1st Stage production of "Suite Surrender" by Michael McKeever is for you. Built upon a slim, flimsy script, the comedy spins ever forward, always in overdrive. Yet it ends with an unexpected wittiness that makes even the most hard-nosed reviewer indulge in a smile.

As written by McKeever, the characters are cut-outs. With admirable actors playing their roles as broadly as they seem to have been directed by Rex Daugherty, the show can be quick on its feet. At times the script and direction are like a children's show, due to repetition of the obvious to insure the audience does not miss what is going to happen.

The foundation of the playwright's proposition? It is the early 1940s. A luxe Florida hotel is under assault as two Hollywood

divas are in town to perform at a USO benefit. Somehow they are booked in the same suite; this leads to all sorts of foibles, mistaken identities, lame double entendres and more high-energy action than the Marx Brothers. Can the two divas breathe in the same air without coming to blows? Or perhaps it is all a ploy to sell tickets to the benefit? You will just have to see for yourself.

The cast give their all. They play their one-dimensional characters with broad brush strokes. As the show progresses, they become more flexible and nuanced in how they move and say their lines. Katie Nigsch-Fairfax and Farrel Parker are the sturdy divas standing on at least four-inch heels, projecting substantial presence. Bradley Foster Smith is a suitably meek assistant. Nora Achrati seems to have been asked to overplay a Spanish accent. Lisa Hodsoll and Stephanie Roswell add depth and dimension to their characters.

The customary 1st Stage meticulous technical design welcomes in the audience. The set exudes a tropical Florida sensibility with

Where and When

"Suite Surrender" at 1st Stage, 1524 Spring Hill Road, McLean. Performances now through Oct. 14. Fridays 8 p.m., Saturdays 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. and Sundays 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Tickets: \$15-\$25. Call 703-854-1856 or visit www.Boxoffice@1ststagetysons.org

Harvest Happenings at McLean Community Center

Award-winning children's music group Rocknoceros, with band members Coach Cotton, Williebob and Boogie Woogie Bennie, will perform at McLean Community Center's Harvest Happenings on Saturday, Sept. 22. The event will be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the center, which is located at 1234 Ingleside Ave. General admission is \$5 at the door; free for children up to 36 months old.

Kidsinger Jim, a children's entertainer who sings and plays guitar while his farm animal friends roam and interact with the audience, will perform at the event as well.

Families with children ages 3-8 can experience the fun and excitement of the changing of the seasons as they participate in a variety of activities. Activities include amusement and carnival games, arts and crafts projects, prizes and more. In addition, participants can purchase and decorate small pumpkins. A variety of child- and adult-friendly food will be available for purchase as well.

For more information or to register, call 703-790-0123, TTY: 711, or visit: <http://www.mcleancenter.org/kids/events>.



The McLean Community Center will host Harvest Happenings on Saturday, Sept. 22.

Network's adaptive and paralympic sports programs for those with disabilities. \$25. medstarnrh.org

The Oakton Trolley Station September Showcase. 5 p.m., at 2923 Gray Street, Oakton. The Northern Virginia Conservation Trust (NVCT), a Virginia based non-profit land trust that has been a leader in land conservation for almost 20 years, hosts. \$50. www.nvct.org.

MONDAY/SEPT. 24

Comedy Showcase. 8 p.m., at Jammin Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. Free comedy show in the lobby bar. www.jamminjava.com.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 29

Behind the Superheroes with Marc Tyler Nobleman. 11 a.m., at Oakton Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. Nobleman will be reading from Bill the Boy Wonder: The Secret Co-Creator of Batman, an all-ages picture book biography of Bill Finger, the unsung co-creator behind the worldwide legend of Batman as part of the Fall for the Book Festival. www.fallforthebook.org.

ONGOING

"Suite Surrender." 8 p.m., 7 p.m.

and 2 p.m., at the 1st Stage in Tysons, 1524 Spring Hill Road, Tysons Corner. Michael McKeever's comedy, playing Fridays at 8 p.m., Saturdays at 2 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. through Oct. 14. \$15-25. 703-854-1856 or www.1ststage tysons.org



Apps4VA Open Competition

The general public and high school students can submit applications using Virginia Longitudinal Data System (VLDS) and compete for more than \$25,000 in prizes. Participants in the Apps4VA Open Competition can compete as individuals or in teams and must create an application using at least one of the VLDS datasets. Mashups of combining one of the required datasets with any publicly available data also may be submitted. The submission period closes Nov. 15.

The Apps4VA High School Competition will challenge Virginia high school students either to create a presentation of a theoretical application, or submit an actual working software application that would use at least one of the VLDS datasets. Mashups combining one of the required datasets with any publicly available data also may be submitted. Participants may compete as individuals or as teams, and winners will earn cash prizes for themselves and for their schools. The submission period opens Sept. 14 and closes Nov. 15. For more details on the program, submitting an entry or for access to the data, please visit www.apps4va.org.



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From left, Farrel Parker (as Claudia McFadden) and Katie Nigsch-Fairfax (as Athena Sinclair) in the 1st Stage production of the comedy "Suite Surrender."

eggshell white walls and fern green palm leaf-like wall paper, along with three pair of double doors and another door leading to a well-used closet. The costumes are a delight. The colors pop, whether scarlet bell-hop jackets and caps with gloves, a well-

trimmed white dinner jacket, or an emerald green and flowery or a form-fitting royal blue outfit for the divas.

"Suite Surrender" is a frothy show built on improbable actions that never lets up, like a dizzying spinning toy.



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Here's What's Happening at MCC

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\$5 per person/Free, infants- 36 months

Jammin' Juniors

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McLean Central Park
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MCC Governing Board

Public Hearing on FY 2014 Proposed Budget

Wednesday, Sept. 27, 7:30 p.m.
Open to the public



McLean 5K Run with the Warriors

Saturday, Oct. 6, 8 a.m.
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THURSDAY/SEPT. 20
Annual Political Debate. 10:30 a.m.-

1:30 p.m., at the Capitol One Conference Center, 1680 Capital One Drive, McLean. See the debate between the candidates of the most-watched race for the U.S. Senate Race in the nation; George Allen and Tim Kaine duke it out, moderated by veteran political journalist and NBC host David Gregory. \$250 (\$150 for members).

SATURDAY/SEPT. 22
Community Paper Shred. 10 a.m.-1 p.m., at the Keller Williams Great Falls Office, 774-A Walker Road, Great Falls. Bring up to four medium-sized boxes and securely destroy

confidential documents. 703-795-3946.

TUESDAY/SEPT. 25
Business Education Series. 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., at Tysons Corner Mall in the Microsoft Store, 1961 Chain Bridge Road, Tysons Corner. "How the Experts Use Microsoft Office to Save 30 Minutes a Day," presented by the Reston Chamber. 703-707-9045.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Hearing on the McLean Community Center's FY 2014 Budget
Thursday, Sept. 27, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. at the Center.

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Residents who wish to speak at the Public Hearing are asked to call 703-790-0123, TTY: 711, to be placed on the speakers' list. Written comments may be delivered to the Center's address (shown below), marked "Attention: Executive Director," or sent by email to ellen.barial@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Copies of the proposed budget will be available during the public hearing.

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LETTERS

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therefore you not only waste energy but you pay more to waste that energy. The average household spends \$534 on heating alone each year, but by retrofitting your home you could keep energy in your home and save a lot of money.

Della, a resident of Charlottesville, retrofitted her home in 2009 for \$5,849. To date she has saved over \$9,000 on her energy bills, and one benefit of retrofitting your home is that the savings can continue indefinitely.

The first step in making your home more energy efficient is to start with the low cost projects such as caulking and sealing cracks around doors and windows. Following that would be maintaining your HVAC system and getting rid of

stuck around vents and coils. Finally, replace windows, appliances, and HVAC equipment if needed with energy efficient models.

A house is a machine for living in said the famous architect Le Corbusier. We are tasked with keeping it in working condition. Turning your house into a place that is unique and good for you, your family, and the Earth we share is what

makes a house a sustainable home—financially and environmentally. So, update your appliances like washers and dryers and air conditioners. They use twice the amount of energy as any of your other appliances. Invest in an Energy Star® rated product. It will reduce your bills, use much less energy, and last longer.

Kate Stabler
Vienna

Kate Stabler is a 4th year architecture student at the University of Virginia with a minor in Environmental Sciences.

McLean Student Conquers Denali

FROM PAGE 7

Denali. The main climbing season on Denali runs for about seven weeks from May through July. Alpine Ascents sends one team every Tuesday and Thursday for each of those seven weeks. Brian was on Team 11.

Brian's team rose early on June 14 and headed for a warehouse to carry out a gear check and appor-tion group rations. They then hopped aboard an Otter turboprop for a flight to the 7,500 foot Base Camp on the Kahiltna glacier, which offered the first close up views of the spectacular Alaska Range.

THE FIRST NIGHT on the glacier, Brian and his teammates had to adjust to the constant daylight that is a feature of trips on Denali during the summer climbing season. The first legs of the ascent, which involve crossing the glacier, take place at night to ensure the ice is cold and solid. The solar gain of the day can weaken the snow bridges, even when the temperatures are frigid, raising the possibility that a random step can punch through and send the climber into a crevasse below. Climbers always travel in rope teams, precisely to support each other should such an event occur.

The first eight days, climbers pull sleds of gear and food. They use a technique called cache and carry where they carry half their gear to the next higher point on the itinerary, and then descend back to the original camp to sleep. They then move to their next camp up the mountain and retrieve the gear in the cache. Climbing up and down in this manner allows them to acclimatize to the altitude better, as well as to lighten the load.

Leaving base camp on June 15, Team 11 climbed to Camp 1 at 7,800 feet where they spent a day reviewing technical skills. During the next few weeks, they carried loads up Ski Hill, Motorcycle Hill and around Windy Corner setting their caches high and sleeping low until they reached Camp 3 at 14,200 feet. Passing around Windy Corner presented the climbers with gorgeous panoramic views of the surrounding peaks and the Kahiltna Glacier 4,000 feet below.

Most days, the weather was a brisk 10 degrees during the day and sometimes below zero at night. Many days were cold and sunny but there were frequent flurries, especially at night. Some nights they got up to nine inches of snow.

While Team 11 was moving up

to Camp 3 in fairly good weather, the teams one week ahead of them were having a more challenging experience. Blizzard conditions were blanketing the upper mountain. Most of the teams at the higher elevations collected at high camp, waiting for the snow and winds to abate, and for a weather window that would allow a summit attempt. Unfortunately, the system stalled and most teams scheduled to summit that week were forced to abandon their attempts on account of poor weather.

Meanwhile, Team 11 was ascending to 15,000 feet, where the fixed lines begin, to leave a cache and return to spend the night at Camp 3. After that push, one team member in Brian's group was severely affected by the altitude, and decided she could not continue. The guides arranged for her to join another Alpine Ascents team on descent. Coincidentally that same day, all but one of the climbers on Team 10 also decided they needed to turn around, leaving their remaining healthy climber to join up with Brian's team.

The next day, a recomposed Team 11 struck off to carry gear up to 16,500 feet. They left Camp 3 and returned to the base of the fixed lines. Using ascenders to self-belay, they climbed the headwall, which consists of 900 feet of 45-50 degree snow and ice up to the crest of the West Buttress. They left their cache and descended back to Camp 3 for the night. The following day, they climbed the fixed lines again but, at the top of the headwall, another climber in Brian's group was struggling with the altitude and could not continue. One guide and one client escorted the ailing climber back down to Camp 3, with the intention that the two would rejoin the main group the next day. Brian, one guide, and the three other climbers continued on to high camp (Camp 4 at 17,200 feet), following the exposed ridge 600 feet up and around Washburn's Tower.

The next day they rested and waited for their other team members, but the two climbers did not return. They had struggled in serious snow and avalanche conditions on their descent to Camp 3 and were not in condition to attempt the two most difficult climbing days of the trip. Brian's team used the extra day at 17,200 feet to prepare for the summit attempt.

ON JULY 1, SUMMIT DAY, the sun was shining. Team 11 tra-



Brian DeMocker, of McLean, won the rock-paper-scissors contest to fly co-pilot in the Otter Turbo prop flight from the Kahiltna Glacier to Talkeetna.

versed the steep snow face of the Autobahn to Denali pass. From there they crossed a large plateau at 19,400 feet, known as the "football field" and then climbed to the crest of the summit ridge towering over the massive 8,000 foot South Face. The last push involved negotiating the knife-edge ridge another 300 feet to the top of North America. After a demanding seven hour summit day, follow-

ing a strenuous 18 days on the mountain, they were finally rewarded with one of the most impressive 360 degree views in the world, covering the entire Alaska range.

Tired but exhilarated, the team returned to high camp for the night. Two days later, they were back at the base camp on the glacier, waiting for their Otter to return to Talkeetna. Unfortunately,

a fog had set in and the planes were not flying. Team 11 pitched their tents and spent the night on the glacier instead of in a bed. Early the next morning they were awakened to a call, "The plane is coming! Grab your snowshoes and stomp out the runway for landing!"

Back in Talkeetna, finally, Team 11 celebrated. The accommodations felt luxurious: a shower, a chicken sandwich and fries, and clean sheets. The next day, Brian took the shuttle back to Anchorage and the red eye back to Virginia. It was his 19th birthday.

Unfortunately, the blizzard lingered high on the mountain. Over the next few days, virtually every team on the mountain had gathered at Camp 3 as it was too dangerous to move higher up. One by one, as teams ran low on food and fuel, they were forced to descend. None of the three Alpine Ascents teams following Team 11 summited this year.

Brian has just started his first year of college at the University of Colorado Boulder where there are plenty of mountains awaiting him.

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The Langley High School Marching Band.

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Langley High Band to Hold Tag Day Fundraiser, Welcomes New Band Director

On Saturday, Sept. 22, band members from Langley High School will participate in "Tag Day" throughout neighborhoods in McLean and Great Falls. Each year, the Langley High School Band raises money through door-to-door fundraising, "tagging" neighbors for their monetary support. In return, band members are personally inviting donors to come and enjoy one or all of Langley HS Bands free concerts held in the school auditorium in the winter and spring. Concert dates are Dec. 6, 2012, Feb. 21, 2013 and June 6, 2013.

The Langley Marching Band also provides music and half-time entertainment at all Langley HS Football home games (www.langleysports.org).

The monies raised during Tag Day help Langley Band to replace and restore concert instruments and provide specialized training through professional musicians for band students.

Langley HS welcomes new band director, Doug Martin. Martin was a band student in Fairfax County at Madison High School, and has worked as a band director for Fairfax County for 14 years.

Tag Day is the band's biggest fundraiser, and the band is counting on the support from the community to help them achieve their fundraising goals. To donate, go to www.langleybands.org, and see the calendar of upcoming events.



Drum Major Laura Grems directs the band at the football game.

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Teaching Kids About Money

Experts offer advice on raising financially savvy children.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE CONNECTION

“Money comes from my daddy,” said Ian, a 7-year-old boy from Arlington, who is missing his front teeth.

“My parents got it from an ATM,” said 6-year-old Claire when asked about the origins of the \$10 bill that she was using to buy a scoop of chocolate ice cream.

Financial experts say that as soon as children are aware of the purchasing power of money, parents should start teaching them how to use it wisely. Children who develop sound financial habits when they are young will become adults who know how to budget, save and use credit judiciously.

“No matter how young a child is, they can always learn good money practices,” said Theresia Wansi, an associate professor of finance at Marymount University in Arlington, “What matters in life is not how much money you earn, but how you manage your finances. We hear stories all the time about people who make millions and end up broke.”

Potomac, Md., resident Glen Buco, president of West Financial Services, says many financial advisers in his McLean, office are also parents who are passing along penny-wise know-how to their children. “When their children receive money, the parents help them develop a budget using a “three bucket system,” said Buco. “One bucket is for saving, one is for spending and one for charity.”

Experts like Buco say wise shopping is a key component of money smarts: “When children want items like clothing or electronics, help them develop a budget with the money they’ve saved and then shop around,” he said. “One of the mothers in my office helped her 9-year-old daughter shop for shoes online by comparing prices, looking for discounts and free shipping.”

Ilham Nasser, an associate professor of early childhood education at George Mason University



Ilham Nasser, Ph.D., of George Mason University in Fairfax, says parents can teach children delayed gratification by using simple games like ‘Simon Says.’



Herndon resident Theresia Wansi, Ph.D., of Marymount University in Arlington, encourages parents to help children keep track of their money by writing down the amount they spend each day.

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in Fairfax, says impulse control is often a stumbling block to financial stability. “Parents can teach self-regulation by using techniques like telling their children to count to 10 or take a deep breath or by playing simple games like ‘Simon Says’ to teach delayed gratification.”

Wansi says children should also be taught to keep track of the money that passes through their hands. “Everyone should have a spending diary,” she said. “Use a spreadsheet where the child lists what they spend. They might see that they are spending much more than they thought they were.”

Setting financial goals and working toward them is another strategy for managing urges to

spend money frivolously. “Everyone can set short-term, intermediate and long-term financial goals,” said Wansi. “The goals you set have to be realistic and specific in measurable terms. For example, ‘I am going to get a part-time job to save for a \$2,000 car in six months.’”

WHEN IT COMES TO LEARNING to save, experts say to start early. “Even an elementary school student who has \$5 can be taught to save \$2 in a piggy bank,” said Wansi. “When they are old enough to open a savings account, they can save money there.”

Parents can help their children understand expenses and how simple actions can save money by

PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Applying to Private Schools: Starting the Process

As the application period gets underway, local independent school officials offer suggestions.

START SURFING. “I would encourage parents to visit a variety of school websites to get a feel for the wide range of fabulous independent school options available. A comprehensive directory of schools with website information [can be found at <http://www.independenteducation.org>].” Mimi Mulligan, assistant head and director of admission and enrollment management, Norwood School, Bethesda, Md.

WATCH AND RUMINATE. “Observe your child and think about the learning style that’s best for him or her. What are the values of your family? What are your hopes for your child’s education?” Diane Dunning, director of admission and financial aid at St. Stephen’s & St. Agnes School, Alexandria.

AVOID FOLLOWING THE PACK. “Don’t be swayed by popular opinion or reputation. Instead, visit every school you’re considering, talk to current or alumni parents and students, and then decide whether that school may fit your child’s interests, personality and needs.” Tim Simpson, director of admission, Bullis School, Potomac, Md.

ESTABLISH PRIORITIES AND START SLEUTHING. “Create a list of five or 10 things that are important to you and your child. Check the athletic schedules and the theatrical and fine arts performance schedules, which are posted on the websites of [independent schools]. You should come to those events ... because the more time you spend on a campus, particularly at an event that is not run by an admissions office, you’re going to get a much better sense of what that [school’s] community is like. For example, do you see students there who you could see yourself being friends with? Do you like the way that the adults are inter-

acting with the students in the community?” asked Ann Miller, director of admission, Madeira School, McLean.

MAKE A LIST AND CHECK IT. “List out the schools you think you may want to apply to and check on their application processes and deadline dates. Many schools have parts of the application that are extremely time sensitive, such as signing up for admission testing as well as filing for financial assistance.” Pat Harden, director of admissions and financial aid, Connelly School of the Holy Child, Potomac, Md.

DEAL WITH STICKER SHOCK. “Don’t eliminate a school from your search because of the cost of tuition without looking into financial aid [or] merit and scholarship awards that may help reduce the cost.” Scott Conklin, director of admissions, Episcopal High School of Virginia, Arlington.

FIND A CLEAR PICTURE. “When considering schools, take a moment to actually visit the campus and ask the tough questions. A school’s website may or may not be the full picture. The question for the parent is, how real is the image they are seeing online? A few conversations with parents and teachers go a lot farther in this regard. Ask admissions officers what their schools’ mission is, how it is different from that of other schools and how they implement the mission.” Rich Moss, director of admissions, The Heights School, Potomac.

GET ORGANIZED. “Finally, once you have decided that you will be applying to a school for your child, get out that calendar again and write down all deadline information – application deadline, financial aid deadlines, supporting documents and testing deadlines.” Mimi Mulligan.

— MARILYN CAMPBELL

allowing them to see bills, due dates and the amount of money owed.

“If your children leave lights on all over the house and you yell at them, they’re not going to get it. You have to share your bills with your children,” said Wansi, who lives in Herndon. “When my kids were away at college, my bill was around \$100 dollars ... and when they came back [for a school break] it was \$500. I took the bills for them to see and they were amazed that a bill could be that expensive. Then everybody starting turning off lights without being asked.”

Nassar suggests parents use a show and tell approach: “Part of raising a child is being a role model and showing an ability to manage expenses,” she said. “When you go to the grocery store, take your children and say, ‘We have \$100 today and we need to get these things. Let’s see which

are the most important things.’ Help them think about priorities.”

Understanding credit is critical part of financial management, says Wansi: “In the U.S., it is hard to live without good credit. Teach children the advantages and pitfalls of credit. Beginning at middle school, it is important for children to understand the importance of good credit. I’ve talked to high school students who didn’t know that when you use credit cards you have to pay the money back.”

Buco says that debit cards might be a good alternative. “I’ve seen parents use these when their kids go off to college,” he said. “They would put money in the account and the kids can use the debit card. Several parents in my office who have 12- and 13-year-olds have set up debit cards with zero balances. When the kids find something they want to buy, [they can] move money out of savings into checking.”



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1319 CALDER RD	5	5	1		MCLEAN	\$2,350,000	Detached	0.58	22101	SALONA VILLAGE
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7212 FARM MEADOW CT E	5	5	1		MCLEAN	\$1,975,000	Detached	0.11	22101	EVANS FARM
1201 WINDROCK DR	6	6	2		MCLEAN	\$1,800,500	Detached	1.25	22102	THE COURTS
7009 HECTOR RD	5	4	2		MCLEAN	\$1,800,000	Detached	0.25	22101	BROYHILL LANGLEY ESTATES
1924 VIRGINIA AVE	5	4	1		MCLEAN	\$1,715,000	Detached	0.50	22101	FRANKLIN PARK
7810 KAREN FOREST DR	4	5	2		MCLEAN	\$1,686,000	Detached	1.41	22102	KAREN FOREST
6610 MAUGH RD	5	4	1		MCLEAN	\$1,660,000	Detached	0.46	22101	SALONA VILLAGE
1945 ROCKINGHAM ST	5	4	2		MCLEAN	\$1,660,000	Detached	0.46	22101	FRANKLIN PARK
1443 MAYHURST BLVD	5	5	2		MCLEAN	\$1,650,000	Detached	0.59	22102	MCLEAN HUNDRED
1400 MAYHURST BLVD	4	3	1		MCLEAN	\$1,570,000	Detached	0.57	22102	SMC MCLEAN
926 DOUGLASS DR	3	3	0		MCLEAN	\$1,426,000	Detached	1.00	22101	LANGLEY FOREST
7300 HOOKING RD	6	4	0		MCLEAN	\$1,375,000	Detached	0.47	22101	MCLEAN STATION
6919 HICKORY HILL AVE	4	3	1		MCLEAN	\$1,324,000	Detached	0.37	22101	INGLESIDE
6513 OVERBROOK ST	5	4	1	FALLS CHURCH		\$1,320,000	Detached	0.24	22043	CHURCHILL
8418 MARTINGALE DR	4	3	1		MCLEAN	\$1,300,000	Detached	0.55	22102	GREENWAY HEIGHTS
6946 PINE CREST AVE	3	3	1		MCLEAN	\$1,250,000	Detached	0.26	22101	WEST MC LEAN
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8200 SPRING HILL LN	5	4	1		MCLEAN	\$989,888	Detached	0.67	22102	SPRINGWOOD OF MCLEAN
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6305 NELWAY DR	4	3	0		MCLEAN	\$825,000	Detached	0.26	22101	POTOMAC HILLS
1304 TITANIA LN	5	2	1		MCLEAN	\$825,000	Detached	0.37	22102	MC LEAN HAMLET
7316 AYNLEY LN	4	3	1		MCLEAN	\$820,000	Townhouse	0.08	22102	MC LEAN COURT
1456 HAMPTON HILL CIR	3	3	1		MCLEAN	\$800,000	Townhouse	0.07	22101	HAMPTONS OF MC LEAN
2083 HUTCHISON GROVE CT	3	2	2	FALLS CHURCH		\$797,355	Townhouse	0.06	22043	WHITESTONE MARSHALL HGTS
6300 KELLOGG DR	5	3	1		MCLEAN	\$795,000	Detached	0.31	22101	POTOMAC HILLS
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6900 DILLON AVE	3	2	1		MCLEAN	\$625,000	Detached	0.33	22101	MC LEAN MANOR
2212 BOXWOOD DR	3	3	0	FALLS CHURCH		\$620,000	Detached	0.24	22043	CHURCHILL
6607 ROSECOFF PL	3	2	2	FALLS CHURCH		\$614,000	Townhouse	0.07	22043	WESTMORELAND SQUARE
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7023 HAYCOCK RD #H	2	2	1	FALLS CHURCH		\$600,000	Garden 1-4 Floors		22043	GATES OF WESTFALLS
6535 TUCKER AVE	5	1	1		MCLEAN	\$600,000	Detached	0.24	22101	CHESTERFIELD
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SPORTS

Senior Captain Katie Clark and the Marshall field hockey team went 4-0 at the two-day Herndon Invitational on Sept. 14-15.



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Marshall Goes Undeclared, Places Third at Field Hockey Invite

Scoring format leaves Statesmen out of championship game.

BY JON ROETMAN
THE CONNECTION

The Marshall field hockey team won each of its four games during the two-day Herndon Invitational, improving its record to 9-2. But while Marshall experienced success at the event, it was a game the Statesmen didn't get to play that left them frustrated.

Marshall defeated Yorktown, 2-1, in the tournament's third-place game on Sept. 15 at Herndon High School. Despite going undefeated, the Statesmen were left out of the championship game due to the event's scoring format. Instead, Herndon, which Marshall beat during first-day action, faced Fairfax in the first-place game, which Fairfax won, 4-0.

Teams earned five points for a win in regulation, four points for a win in overtime and three for a win in strokes. Teams received two points for a loss in strokes, one for a loss in overtime and zero for a loss in regulation.

Marshall won once in regulation and twice in strokes prior to the final round for a total of 11 points. Herndon won twice in regulation and lost to Marshall in strokes for a total of 12 points.

"We lost to [Marshall] in sudden death penalty strokes," first-year Herndon head coach Mary Miller said. "I don't know how you settle that with points."

The Statesmen were less than pleased with the outcome.

"Yeah, it was definitely frustrating," Marshall senior captain Katie Clark said. "... It's a little bit annoying that we couldn't make it [to the championship game], but we'll play Fairfax later again in [the Liberty District]."

Marshall head coach Christina Carroll said the Statesmen were hoping for a matchup with the Rebels.

"It would be nice to play in the championship game," she said. "We wanted to play Fairfax when we saw the pools in the first



Senior Captain Madeleine Lewsen and the Marshall field hockey team defeated Yorktown in the third-place game of the Herndon Invitational on Sept. 15.

place. I'm friends with the coach, we're all friendly and we have a lot of players who are friends with each other from both teams from playing club and it's a nice rivalry matchup. It would be nice to play them before we have to see them in the regular season."

Marshall defeated W-L, 2-1, in strokes and Herndon, 3-2, in strokes during first-day action. Junior forward Allie Johnson scored Marshall's regulation goal against W-L.

Against Herndon, senior captain Madeleine Lewsen, a midfielder, and Clark scored in regulation. After overtime, the teams remained tied after the first round of strokes. The Hornets came up empty in the sudden death round of strokes before Lewsen scored the game-winner.

On Sept. 15, Marshall defeated Battlefield, 5-0, before beating Yorktown in the third-place game. Junior forward Kelly Mills scored a pair of goals against Battlefield and Lewsen, Clark and senior captain Maggie MacDonnell, a defender, each scored one. Against Yorktown, Clark and senior midfielder Katrina McLeod each scored a goal.

"With each game we get better," McLeod said. "We act more as a team, we play more like a team and it will only get better from here."

Clark leads Marshall with 11 goals and four assists this season. Lewsen has nine goals and two assists. Each made the all-tournament team.

"Those two," Carroll said, "really work well together."

SPORTS ROUNDUPS

Madison Football Beats Hayfield

The Madison Warhawks defeated the Hayfield Hawks, 24-17, for the Warhawks' second win of the season. Madison's hard-hitting defense held the explosive Hayfield offense in check for most of the night with seven sacks and four fumble recoveries. The special teams blocked a punt in the end zone for the game-winning touchdown.

Late in the fourth quarter with the score tied at 17 and Hayfield backed up inside its 10-yard line, Ben Sanford blocked Hayfield's punt attempt and Cory Hall recovered the ball in the end zone for the winning score. As the clock wound down, Hayfield mounted one last drive into Madison territory before the Warhawks came up big with three sacks to end the game and seal the win.

Coming into the game, Madison figured to have its hands full with Hayfield's speedy offense, and the Warhawks responded with a ferocious pass rush that pressured the Hawks offense for the entire game. Tom Wagaman, Nick Hoy, Dan Schwab, John Yilmaz, Cory Hall, and Sanford combined for seven sacks. Kyle Mancini, who had two fumble recoveries, and Jake Hall, who caused two fumbles, led Madison's defensive backs in containing the speedy Hawk receivers. Hard-hitting linebacker Jordan Durham caused a fumble and recovered a fumble.

On offense, Ian Cooke ran for 47 yards and a touchdown. Most of Cooke's yards came in the fourth quarter as the Warhawks controlled the clock, keeping the Hawks offense off the field. Dan Powers passed for 179 yards and Tom House had five receptions for 127 yards. Two-way player Schwab caught a 5-yard touchdown pass.

Hayfield tied the score at 17-17 with six minutes left in the game on a wonderful 75-yard catch and run by one of its speedy running backs. But the Warhawks dug deep for the game-winning punt block and one last gutty stand on defense as the clock ran out. Madison's next game, and first district game, will be at home against the McLean Highlanders at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 21.

Marshall Names Softball Coach

George C. Marshall High School has hired Missy Whittington as its new head softball coach. Whittington spent the last two seasons as a varsity assistant at Madison, where she played on a state championship team and is a member in the hall of fame. Whittington's sons graduated from Marshall, where they excelled in the classroom and in a number of sports.

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OBITUARY



Helen Clara Clohan, 87, of Ashby Ponds, Ashburn, Va. passed away on Saturday, September 8, 2012 at her home.

Born April 28, 1925 in Weidhofen, Austria, she was the daughter of the late Georg and Maria Grabenschweiger Steinbach. In addition to her parents she was also predeceased by her brother Friedel Steinbach and her beloved sister, Hermine (Mini) Steinbach Kornherr (husband Otto). She and her family moved to the United States and she was educated at Chicago, IL. She and her husband lived briefly in Martinsburg with her late mother-in-law, Pauline (Speck) Clohan and after that at Silver Spring, MD and then McLean, VA.

She will be dearly missed by her husband, Paul Speck Clohan, Sr.; children, Paul S. Clohan, Jr. (wife, Pat) and Gary Clohan (wife, Chris Olsen); grandchildren, Tracy Katherine Clohan, Christopher Paul Clohan, Daley Clohan, and Mitchell Alexander (Mac) Clohan; great-grandchild, Ashleigh Nichole Brown; two great-great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews, Walter Kornherr, Guinithide (Kornherr) Sopjer, and Ulrike (Kornherr) Baltzer; and grandnieces and nephews, Bern Kornherr, Nina Kornherr, Martin Sojer, Miriam Baltzer, and Martina Baltzer.

Helen was homemaker, an adventurous cook and superb gardener. She loved bridge and snow skiing in the western US and Canada. She enjoyed traveling and made friends everywhere she went, and she loved visiting her family abroad. She was intellectual up to her time of passing and before her recent illness enjoyed attending concerts, plays and all the various museums in the Washington DC area.

Interment prayers were said on Wednesday, September 12, 2012 at 11a.m. at Pleasant View Memory Gardens, Martinsburg, WV.

Memorial services will be held at 10 a.m. on Friday, September 21, 2012 at Ashley Ponds in Ashburn, Va. Arrangements by Brown Funeral Home, Martinsburg, WV.

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