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Nears Completion

Crews working on the Tysons West Guideway near Tyco Road, looking east. Phase 1 of the Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project is now 89 percent complete.

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Virginia Civil War 150 HistoryMobile at the state capital.

Civil War 150 HistoryMobile Coming to Vienna

Civil War 150 HistoryMobile rolls into Vienna for a one day visit on Saturday, April 6. The exhibit, an initiative of the Virginia Sesquicentennial of the American Civil War Commission, will be located across from the Freeman Store and Museum, 131 Church St. N.E., and will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission to the HistoryMobile is free.

The expandable 53-foot tractor-trailer uses immersive spaces and interactive exhibits to draw together stories of the Civil War and Emancipation from the viewpoints of those who experienced it across Virginia—young and old, enslaved and free, soldiers and civilians.

Visitors will encounter history in ways they may have never experienced before. The HistoryMobile exhibit is divided into four sections: Battlefront, Homefront, Journey to Freedom and Loss-Gain-Legacy. From the bewildering sense of chaos experienced by soldiers, to the last letter written by a dying son to his father after sustaining a mortal wound, to a hushed conversation between a husband and wife considering the great risks and rewards of fleeing to freedom, the HistoryMobile presents the stories of real people in Virginia whose lives were shaped by the historic events of the 1860s, and invites visitors to imagine, "What Would You Do?"

The Civil War 150 HistoryMobile crosses the state visiting museums, schools and special events. Its fouryear tour began in July 2011, and since then it has made over 70 stops and attracted visitors from ev-

istory is on the move in Virginia as the ery state and a number of other countries. It will continue to tour through spring 2015.

> In addition to learning more about Virginia's history, the HistoryMobile also provides visitors with tourism information about the many historic sites and destinations that they can explore today. Interactive maps and touch-screen kiosks located at the HistoryMobile allow visitors to easily plan their next trip.

> The HistoryMobile represents an extraordinary cooperative partnership among public agencies and private/nonprofit organizations. Working with the Virginia Sesquicentennial of the American Civil War Commission to manage the tour are the Virginia Tourism Corporation and the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles. HistoryMobile exhibits were designed in partnership with the commission, Virginia Historical Society, and the Fredericksburg/Spotsylvania National Military Park.

> More information on the Civil War 150 HistoryMobile and the initiatives of the Virginia Sesquicentennial of the American Civil War Commission can be found at www.VirginiaCivilWar.org. For information on visiting Civil War sites throughout Virginia go to www.Virginia.org/CivilWar.

> This event is presented as part of the Freeman Store and Museum celebration of its designation on the National Register of Historic Places. The HistoryMobile event will also include children's activities, an art display, tours of the Freeman Store and Museum, "Roads to Rails to Trails" museum exhibit, dedication ceremony and reception.

Faith Notes

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

On Palm Sunday, March 24, the Antioch Christian Church, 1860 Beulah Road, Vienna, will hold one combined celebration worship service at 10 a.m. led by the Antioch Praise team and Antioch Chancel Choir. The morning will include the musical story of Easter: childcare is available. 703-938-6753 or http://www.antiochdoc.org/.

St. John's Episcopal Church, 6715 Georgetown Pike, McLean, welcomes the community to a Good Friday service on March 29 from noon to 3 p.m. with a meditation given by Rector and Reverend Edward O. Miller, Jr. on the seven last words of Christ. The sermon

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precedes a rendition of The Seven Last Words of Christ, sung by the choir; all are welcome to attend any portion of the service. The St. John's Choir will sing St. John Passion Oratorio by George Frederic Handel at 7:30 p.m. at a service beginning with the Good Friday Liturgy. The church also offers Holy Week worship services on Holy Saturday, March 30, with an Easter Vigil at 7:30 p.m. with the Holy Eucharist and baptism; and on Easter, March 31, at 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. services with music. 703-356-4902 or www.stjohnsmclean.org.

Epiphany United Methodist Church, 1014 Country Club Drive, Vienna, holds an Easter Egg hunt, rain or shine, on Saturday, March 30, at 10 a.m. open to students in preschool

through sixth grade. 703-938-3494.

Great Falls United Methodist Church, 10100 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls, holds an Easter sermon series based on Adam Hamilton's The Way: Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus. The series focuses on baptism and temptation, healing ministry, proclaiming the kingdom, calming the storm, sinners, outcasts and the poor, from Lent, Feb. 17 to March 24, at the 10 a.m. service. 703-759-3705 or www.greatfallsumc.org.

Emotions Anonymous, a 12-step recovery program, offers weekly step meetings in Vienna for recovery for couples from a wide range of problems. Join on Mondays from 8-9 p.m. at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 2589 Chain Bridge Rd., Vienna. 703-209-0658.

Week in Vienna



Girl Scouts 'Serving Others' On Girl Scout Sunday, March 10, the Antioch Christian Church troop served breakfast treats to the congregation as part of their "Serving Others" theme for the morning.

Freeman Store and Museum to Host Dedication Celebration

The public is invited to celebrate the placement of the Freeman Store and Museum, 131 Church St. N.E., on the National Register of Historic Places on Saturday, April 6. Last year, the building was placed on the Virginia Landmarks Register and was subsequently listed on the National Park Service's National Register of Historic Places. It is the only structure in Vienna to hold these designations.

The event will host a variety of activities throughout the day beginning at 10 a.m. including the Civil War 150 HistoryMobile, an artwork display of historic structures created by Vienna's youth, Freeman Store and Museum tours, the "Roads to Rails to Trails" museum exhibit and children's activities. In addition, the Little Library and Caboose will be open to the public and the event will feature the James Madison Madrigals and the Vienna Community Band. The dedication ceremony will be held at 2 p.m., followed by an old fashioned picnic. All activities are free for all ages. For more information on this event including a schedule of events, visit www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=1024.

Vietnam Veterans to Discuss Iraq's 'Lessons Learned'

Chapter 227, Vietnam Veterans of America Inc., invites all veterans, friends and the general public to attend the April 18 chapter meeting at Neighbor's Restaurant, 262D Cedar Lane, Cedar Lane Shopping Center, Vienna, at 7:30 p.m. Harold Bonacquist will share his personal perspective of the U.S. extended effort to reconstruct Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom, so as to create a strong, democratic and dependable ally in the Middle East. He served as a foreign service officer in Iraq in 2007.

The general public and all veterans are invited. Admission is free. For information, call Len Ignatowski at 703-255-0353 or visit the web page at www.vva227.org.

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WEDNESDAY/MARCH 20 **McLean Community Center's**

Annual Public Hearing. 7:30 p.m., at McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. Come to the meeting and share thoughts on center programs and services. www.mcleancenter.org

THURSDAY/MARCH 21

Avoiding Divorce Court II. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Women's Center, 127 Park St. N.E., Vienna. An overview of provisions of settlement agreements covering standard provisions and

creative provisions. \$40; \$30 for members; \$70 per couple; \$50 per member couple. 703-281-2657 ext. 276 or www.thewomenscenter.org.

- Youth & Education Reception and Mini Expo. 6-8 p.m., at The Gannett Building, 7950 Jones Branch Drive, McLean. The 2013 mini expo focuses on entrepreneurs celebrating future leaders; the reception showcases the accomplishments of students in the Vienna and Tysons Corner area and highlights opportunities for schools and businesses to partner. info@tysonschamber.org.
- Reclaiming Your Future. 6:30-9:30 p.m., at the Women's Center, 127 Park St. N.E., Vienna. Get the practical information needed from a certified divorce planner to make See Bulletin, Page 5

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Route 7 along the Tysons West Guideway near Spring Hill Road, looking east.



Dulles Corrido Metrorail Project

Metrorail Phase 1 **Nears** Completion

Phase 1 of the project 89 percent complete.

our years ago this month, construction of Phase 1 of the Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project began. Today project construction is 89 percent complete.

Station structures are in place at the four stations in Tysons Corner and one at Wiehle Avenue in Reston. Track work is virtually complete. Tunnels to carry trains below the Route 7/123 intersection are done. Pedestrian bridges to carry passengers and pedestrians across Routes 7 and 123 and the Dulles Airport Highway Corridor have been installed.

What remains are the finishing touches: installing the systems that will make stations accessible to users and ensure that the trains run safely, including intensive work where the new line, now called the Silver Line, will merge with Metro's existing Orange Line near I-66 and the Dulles Connector Road. That work is extremely dangerous because it is taking place next to the operating Orange Line.

Testing is well under way, starting with the December running of the first WMATA clearance car along the alignment from Wiehle Avenue to East Falls Church.

Project Director Patrick Nowakowski says he expects construction to be completed in late summer and then the project will be turned over to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) for additional testing. WMATA will set the actual opening date.

Meanwhile, between now and opening, train cars will be visible in the corridor as testing continues. Some weekend disruptions of Orange Line service will be needed to complete the Orange Line tie-in. Where are the stations?

McLean Station (aka Tysons East) along the northwest side of Route 123 near Scotts Run and Colshire Drive and Capital One;

Tysons Corner Station (aka Tysons Central 123) on the northwest side of Route 123 at Tysons Boulevard near Tysons Corner Center and Tysons Galleria; ♦ Greensboro Station (aka Tysons Central 7) in



Preparing for the installation of the second segment of pedestrian bridge at McLean Station along Route 123.

the median of Route 7 near SAIC, Marshalls and Pike 7 Plaza;

Spring Hill Station (aka Tysons West) in the median of Route 7;

♦ Wiehle-Reston East Station in the median of the Dulles Airport Access Highway/Dulles Toll Road Corridor just west of the Wiehle Avenue overpass.



Crews complete the installation of the last segment of the pedestrian bridge that connects the Tysons Corner Station with the pedestrian pavilion near Tysons Corner Center. Framework for pavilion escalators is pictured on the right.



From left—Alzheimer's Association National Capital Area Chapter Board Chair Jordan Smyth, Martha Gow, Rick Gow and Alzheimer's Association National **Capital Area Chapter Vice President of Programs and** Services Dr. Candice Rettie.

'Inspiring Champions' Honored

Rick Gow of Oakton Honored for Promoting Alzheimer's Awareness.

he Alzheimer's Association National Capital Area Chapter recognized 12 individuals as "Inspiring Champions" at a special reception on Jan. 31 at its corporate offices in Fairfax.

Among the honorees is Oakton resident Rick Gow, honored for work in promoting Alzheimer's awareness.

A professional wealth management advisor, Gow volunteers his time and expertise as a legal and financial presenter to provide critical information to support families, caregivers and people with dementia as they put financial and legal long-term care plans in place. Gow helps them to explore costs they can expect to incur and addresses questions about insurance, employee and retirement benefits, personal assets, government assistance, and tax deductions and credits. He volunteers at chapter events and promotes the information and support available from the chapter through his work.

The Inspiring Champions Awards program recognizes valuable "above and beyond" contributions of time, talent Alzheimer's Association National Capital Area Chapter. The

annual program also serves to thank and honor volunteers who, by their demonstrated commitment and example, inspire others to engage in volunteer service.

The 12 Inspiring Champions are (in alphabetical order):

Terry Berry-extraordinary commitment to advocacy for the fight against Alzheimer's; Rick Gow-distinguished work in promoting Alzheimer's awareness; Lilly Harris-outstanding fundraising accomplishments for Blondes vs. Brunettes; Phyllis Koudelka-exemplary commitment to volunteerism for the chapter; Greta Kreuz-distinguished work in promoting Alzheimer's awareness; Jane Ottenberg and Richard Creighton-extraordinary commitment to leadership and support of special events; Dennis Poremskiexemplary commitment to the Walk to End Alzheimer's; Marilyn and Stefan Tuckerextraordinary fundraising leadership for the Walk to End Alzheimer's; Elizabeth (Liz) Williamson—exemplary commitment to volunteerism for the chapter; and Janet and resources to the Wright-outstanding team captain leadership for the Walk to End Alzheimer's.

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The Vienna Farmers' Market, hosted and operated by the **Optimists of Greater Vienna**, moves to a new home on May 4. Faith Baptist Church, on **Center Street, partners with** the Optimists to serve the community. The church is across the street from Waters Field, and a block away from Patrick Henry Library, and in the opposite direction, a block from the community center and the W & OD trail.



Vienna Farmers' Market Opens in New Home

Faith Baptist Church on **Center Street partners** with Optimists in community outreach.

> By Donna Manz The Connection

here are bunches of events that Viennaarea residents look forward to every year... ViVa! Vienna!, HVI's Easter egg hunt, the Halloween parade, July 4 fireworks and the Vienna Farmers' Market.

The farmers' market, hosted and operated by the Optimists of Greater Vienna, kicks off on May 4 at a new location on Center Street at Faith Baptist Church, across the street from Waters Field and a block away from Patrick Henry Library and the W & OD trail.

"The deal was just agreed to on Friday [April 8] with Faith Baptist Church and we are thrilled," said Optimist and Co-Market Master Sarah Jane Brady. "When Shannon [Matthews, Faith Baptist Church outreach director] called me, I thought, 'this is a perfect marriage," said Brady. "The Optimists focus on kids' things, and the church has always done special events for kids. Shannon has ideas already."

THE FARMERS' MARKET, said Brady, is a great place to meet up with neighbors and friends, and to make new friends, as much as it is a great place to buy local seasonal produce. The Vienna Farmers' Market hosts the Master Gardeners for free gardening advice. It is a producer-only market, meaning that vendors must have grown or made what they are selling on their own land, garden or in their kitchen(s).

Dave Lanphear, co-market master and husband to Brady, said that one of the main reasons people come to the Vienna Farmers' Market is to meet the people who are growing their food. "Sometimes the farmers have just picked the produce the night before, and you can chat with the farmers themselves," Lanphear said.

When the Vienna Farmers' Market lost its space in the caboose parking lot this January, market masters Brady and Lanphear set out to find new space, knowing a new location should be central and have space for 20-plus vendors. Faith Baptist Church came to the rescue.

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VIENNA FARMERS' MARKET FAMILY EVENTS

- The Optimists offer free giveaways, food-focused contests and scavenger hunts. A balloon artist creates balloon animals each month.
- Faith Baptist Church plans to offer these activities for children as well.
- May 4, Opening Day: bounce-house, free popcorn and face painting
- ♦ June 8, Game Day: hula hoop contests, tug of war, relays and sack races, egg toss and prizes July 13, Water Fun Day: sno-cones, watermelon seed-
- spitting contest, water balloon toss, sprinklers, slip-n-slide and wading pool
- Aug. 24, Give Back Day: Support a military organization

read, in a local publication, that the Optimists were looking for a home for the farmers' market. She passed that on to Shannon Matthews, wife of Pastor Dave Matthews, who thought hosting the farmers' market would fit right in with the church's goal to be part of the community.

"When I asked my husband if he wanted me to follow up with this he said, 'absolutely,' right away," said Matthews.

The church, Brady noted, offers family activities for the community, from free "G" movies to play events once a month, usually on Saturday. Matthews said she has already submitted Faith Baptist Church family-fun suggestions to Brady for consideration. The idea is to provide supervised activities for children while their parents are at the market.

"We're always looking for way to show care for our community," said Matthews. "When this opportunity came up, we said, 'this is perfect for us."

The Vienna Farmers' Market, hosted by the Optimists of Greater Vienna, opens on Saturday, May 4, 8 a.m. to noon, and runs continuously through Oct. 26

VENDORS who have signed to-date with the Optimists' Vienna Farmers' Market [* indicates new] include: Kuhn Orchards, McLeaf's Orchard, Friendly Hall Farms, Westmoreland Produce, and Lois's Produce (all selling produce); Smith Family Farm and Friendly Hall Farms, both selling free-range and organic meats; The Mushroom Stand Limited* selling organic mushrooms; Everona Dairy (sheep cheese)* selling cheese; Caffe Amouri* selling coffee; and Pit Beef at the Market,* Reubens Crepes at the Market and Mama's Donut Bites selling ready-to-eat foods. Additional vendors are Annette's Amazing Granola, Swiss Bakery, Borek-G, Savage Fudge, Salsas Las Glorias, Blue Ridge Gardens*, Gypsy Hill Foods, Fresh Crunch (pickles and vegetables). Nineteen vendors are currently signed up; 23 to 26 are expected. With its new location, no closures are scheduled. For more A congregation member at Faith Baptist Church information, see www.viennafarmersmarket.org.



Hanna Louise Mitchell (center) receives a DAR Good **Citizens Award from Regent Diane Wright and DAR** Good Citizens Committee Chairman Amy Cartwright.

DAR Awards Students for Good Citizenship

Hanna Louise Mitchell of James Madison High School and Melanie Vanessa Aguilar-Rojas of Oakton High School recently received DAR Good Citizens Awards from Fairfax County Chapter, National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution.

The awards recognize the winners' qualities of good character and good citizenship: dependability, service, leadership and patriotism. The Fairfax County Chapter gives each winner a \$500 scholarship and the students are eligible to compete for other scholarships at higher levels of the society.

Hanna is the daughter of Kristen Overturf and Jeff Snow of Vienna. At James Madison High School she is a member of the National Science Honor Society, National Art Honor Society and Medical Youth Society, and is a volunteer Emergency Medical Technician with the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department.

Melanie of Oakton High School is the daughter of

Roxana and Andrew McDevitt, also of Vienna. In addition to being an editor on the school's Outlook newspaper, she is a member of the Spanish Honor Society, Oakton Latino Club, History Honor Society, and the Octagon Club, which is dedicated to community service projects.

The women received their awards from DAR Good Citizens Committee Chairman Amy Cartwright and Regent Diane Wright at a recent Fairfax County Chapter meeting.

One of the world's largest, most active women's service organizations, the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution is dedicated to historic preservation, education and patriotism. Its more than 168,000 members in approximately 3000 chapters worldwide descend from men and women who supported the American cause during the Revolutionary War. For more information on the DAR, see www.vadar.org and www.dar.org.



Regent Diane Wright and DAR Good Citizens Committee Chairman Amy Cartwright award Melanie Vanessa Aguilar-Rojas the DAR Good Citizens Award.

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- educated financial decisions; covers all financial components of the property settlement agreement. \$50; \$40 for members. 703-281-2657 ext. 276 or www.thewomenscenter.org.
- Travel Smart. 7 p.m., at the Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. The Vienna branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) will host "Travel Smart," a presentation on how to travel safely and wisely. 703-321-7499.

SATURDAY/MARCH 23

The Targeted Job Search. 10 a.m.noon at the Women's Center, 127 Park St. N.E., Vienna. Learn new ways to approach job searching from professional with 25-plus years helping people get the job they want. 703-281-2657 ext. 276 or www.thewomenscenter.org

THURSDAY/MARCH 28

Historic Vienna Inc. Membership **Meeting.** 7 p.m., at Dyer-Gunnell American Legion, Post 180, 330 Center St. N., Vienna. A brief membership meeting precedes local Civil War historian and reenactor John Vrana, who speaks on the evolution of the railroad running through Vienna from 1855 to 1968, now the path of the W & OD Trail; refreshments follow. 703-938-5187 or www.historicviennainc.org.

TUESDAY/APRIL 2

Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Presentation. 7 p.m., at Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Dranesville Supervisor John Foust holds a town hall meeting to

give residents an opportunity to learn about and discuss the proposed FY 2014 budget. fairfaxcounty.gov/dmb.

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SATURDAY/APRIL 20

Fairfax Court Appointed Special

Explore Your Inner Monologue. 7 p.m., at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton. The Vienna branch of the American Association of University Women hosts a presentation in which Capital Fringe Festival entrant Carol Campbell discusses how she crafted her personal narrative. 703-321-7499.

Advocates (CASA) Information Session. 11 a.m.-noon, at the Oakton Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. Learn more about

advocating for abused or neglected children. 703-273-3526 or www.fairfaxcasa.org.

ONGOING:

Oakton Cougar Baseball Camp. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. daily during weeks from July 8 through July 25 at Oakton High School, 2900 Sutton Rd., Vienna. The Oakton Cougar Baseball Camp teaches players solid fundamental baseball skills necessary to raise their level of play (ages 6-11 and 11-plus, grouped

by age and skill). \$150.









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OPINION Say Yes to Health Coverage

Governor, state panel must accept coverage for 400,000 Virginians without health insurance.

ore than 140,000 residents of Fairfax County have no health insurance. That's more than 13 percent of the slightly more than 1 million people who live in the wealthiest county in the nation. Arlington and Alexandria have similar percentages of uninsured.

These are some of the 400,000 people in Virginia who could receive health coverage under an expansion of Medicaid if only officials in the commonwealth are gra-EDITORIAL

cious enough to accept on their behalf. Virginia's current eligibility require-

ments for Medicaid are so strict that although it is the 11th largest state in terms of population and seventh in per capita personal income, Virginia ranked 43rd in Medicaid enrollment as a proportion of the state's population and 47th in per capita Medicaid spending, according to a 2013 Fairfax County report.

Virginia has the option to add new coverage, at least 90 percent funded with Federal

Letters to the Editor

Transportation **Bill: A Political**

Train Wreck

To the Editor:

In the aftermath of the governor's successful Transportation Bill, HB 2313, some commentators have described the 109-page final product as a "bipartisan compromise" which, despite its flaws, is a benefit to Virginia's urban areas.

In reality, the legislation is a political train wreck, which raises the wrong taxes on the wrong people and creates the wrong incentives for modern transportation system. It also locks in certain inequalities to the detriment of Northern Virginia.

As a representative of central and western Fairfax, I am acutely aware of our transportation issues and the need for more highways and transit. I have supported countless bills, including my own SB 855 in 2013, which sought to raise dedicated revenues on a uniform and statewide basis.

I voted "no" on the final version of the governor's bill. Here are five critical flaws:

First, by reducing the tax on gasoline and raising the general sales tax, the governor's bill corrupts the traditional "user pays" method for financing transportation in Virginia. The ultimate irony is making hybrid users pay a \$100 annual penalty. We are 6 ♦ VIENNA/OAKTON CONNECTION ♦ MARCH 20-26, 2013

dollars, that would extend to individuals earning less than about \$15,000 per year and families earning less than about \$31,000 per year, to low income teens who lose Medicaid when they turn 19, and adults with disabilities not currently eligible.

It isn't as if there is no health care cost for these currently uncovered residents. Right now, they access health care when they are very sick by going to an emergency room, where

the hospital spreads the cost of care around. But this is inefficient, expensive and unhealthy. Expanding Medic-

aid coverage would allow far less expensive preventative care and lead to better health outcomes. Uninsured people don't receive preventative care; they seek treatment later in illnesses when the costs are much higher, and the consequences in terms of lost days at work and other productivity are also much higher.

Expanding Medicaid to 133 percent of the poverty level would generate state general

total more than \$2 billion and more than offset the state's share of expansion costs over the next eight years, plus provide significant numbers of new jobs and economic growth, according to multiple reports including the Virginia Hospital and Healthcare Association. Expanding health care is a job creator, and would add tens of thousands of new jobs.

fund savings and new revenues that would

Virginia stands to lose more than \$9.2 billion in federal funds over the first five years of the new law if it opts out of the provision that expands Medicaid.

Turning away federal money to provide healthcare to uninsured Virginians makes no more sense than declining federal funds for transportation because you don't like the feds telling you to wear your seatbelt.

If Gov. Bob McDonnell and members of a General Assembly panel considering whether to accept funding to expand Medicaid decide against this benefit for 400,000 Virginians, perhaps they and their families should go for a year without health insurance as well.

> MARY KIMM. MKIMM@CONNECTIONNEWSPAPERS.COM

incentivizing people to buy larger

cars and drive more miles. That is nonsense. Second, the governor's bill cre-

ates discriminatory tax rates. Now, Northern Virginia consumers must pay an enhanced sales tax of 6 percent, while their downstate cousins enjoy a lower rate of 5.3 percent-to receive the same level of state services. There is no plausible basis for this discrimination which targets urban areas.

Third, the bill removes \$200 million annually from the state's General Fund for transportation. Coincidentally, that is the exact same amount which the assembly has reduced from higher education funding since 2008. So money that could be used to reduce college tuition (which greatly benefits Northern Virginia) is instead siphoned to road maintenance.

Fourth, the legislation accepts the current inequality on the rural-dominated commonwealth Transportation Board which must approve all state highway projects. Right now, the 2.2 million residents of Northern Virginia presently get one vote on the board, or the same voting power allocated to the 380,000 people in the Bristol district. Rather than change this absurdity, we are now locking it into law.

Fifth, the idea of the "regional accounts"-financed through the discriminatory taxes-is inherently contradictory. If Northern Virginia and its urban cousin

Hampton Roads pay with projects through "regional" funds, then that is one less project that the Transportation Board must finance through ordinary state funds. While the governor's bill includes aspirational language to avoid the "supplanting" of existing state support, there is no practical way to enforce it.

In fact, the only guaranty from the governor's legislation is that Northern Virginia consumers will get hit by discriminatory higher taxes, whether it's the sales tax surcharge, the increased recordation fee on home sales, or the annual \$100 "hybrid penalty." In regard to the last measure, it's worth noting that the majority of Virginia hybrid owners are located in... Northern Virginia!

It must be noted that only a handful of lawmakers from Northern Virginia voted against the final version of the governor's bill. I'm proud to be part of a small band that opposed the Richmond establishment on this dysfunctional mess. There were a dozen different transportation plans that were offered in 2013 on both sides of the aisle.

There was no requirement for the assembly to accept the worst one.

Chap Petersen Fairfax

The writer is a state senator (D-34)

On Lyme Disease **Awareness Bill**

To the Editor:

I am thrilled to hear that Governor Bob McDonnell signed the "Lyme Disclosure Act," House Bill 1933, into law. Raising awareness about this terrible disease would not have been possible without the help of Del. Barbara Comstock, for introducing this important legislation and that of her colleagues, Delegates Ramadan and Hugo, for co-patroning this measure. The debilitating effects of Lyme Disease are difficult to fathom if you have not seen first-hand, as I have, how this illness affects our community and the ones we love.

I have a family friend, a mother of five, who has been infected by this illness on three separate occasions. One of the only chances for recovery is an early diagnosis. Current testing methods don't always provide this opportunity. There is a high rate of false negatives in testing for Lyme because the testing mechanism is based on the evidence of anti-bodies, which are not always present and vary based on the date of infection. Not only that, the test is administered in such a way that the patient may not understand the test's shortcomings. It's not as simple as plac Vienna & Oakton ONNECTION

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ing a disclaimer on a box because the test is conducted at a medical facility and not at home while purchased over the counter.

A greater understanding of the test can help with making early diagnoses, increasing opportunities for treatment when necessary, and planning for long term care. While this bill will not help cure those already infected, it will help inform patients of the propensity of high false negative in testing for Lyme, and will encourage a patient to retest if their symptoms persist. Many patients who live with these symptoms are misdiagnosed as a result of the false negative test and are led to believe their symptoms do not exist or are the cause of another medical ailment. I appreciate the initiative that Delegate Comstock took in getting behind this issue after learning about it from members in our Vienna community. I also hope my letter will continue to further awareness of Lyme Disease so that beyond testing, possible prevention opportunities can be taken moving forward.

> John Dowd Vienna

New Lyme Legislation To the Editor:

Appreciation is due to Governor Bob McDonnell and the local legislators who helped enact the "Lyme Disclosure Act" into law on Wednesday, March 13. Special recognition is due to Delegate Comstock for introducing the measure and Delegate Hugo for being a co-patron. Lyme Disease is becoming alarmingly prevalent in our community, and this is a small but important step to help those affected get early diagnosis and effective treatment.

Several years ago, my mother was finally diagnosed with Lyme Disease after more than 20 years of mysterious symptoms and incorrect diagnoses. Unlike Lyme patients who get treatment promptly after being infected, much of the damage to her body is irreversible after such a long time. Pain is a daily part of her life, and she has not been able to manage long-term employment because of this. I can't help but think of how much different things would be for our family if she had been diagnosed and treated much earlier.

Right here in Northern Virginia, our communities are seeing some of the highest Lyme Disease concentrations in our whole nation. Both early and appropriate treatment continues to remain absolutely vital to a successful recovery. While current testing methods have come a long way, they don't always provide this opportunity. Detection is not as simple as discovering a tick bite and following it up with a quick visit to the doctor's office. In many cases, the tick bite is not even noticed, as it is usually the size of a pinhead. Further, some of the key symptoms like joint pain, fatigue, and a flu-like cold are non-specific and not obvious indicators that the patient has Lyme Disease. This makes the doctor and patient conversation about shortcomings in Lyme testing all the more important. Thank you to Fairfax's legislators who supported this important step!

> H. Lillian Vogl Oakton

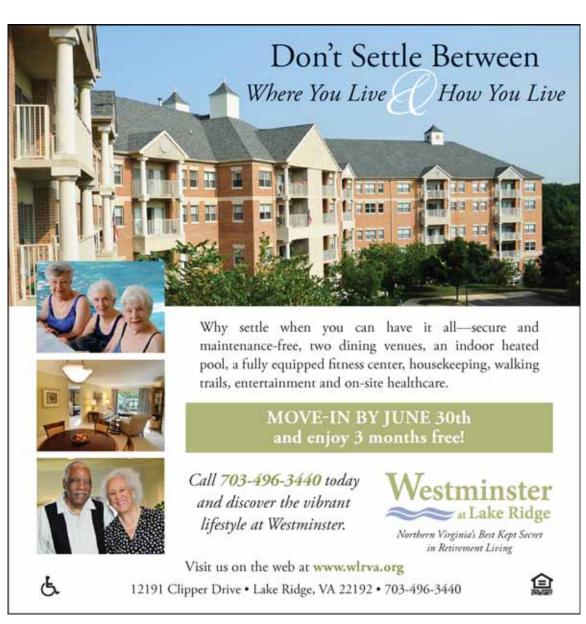


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WJLA Chief Meteorologist Doug Hill spoke to guests at the March 18 Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna Lunch n' Life luncheon.

WJLA Meteorologist Doug Hill stands with SCOV director Michelle Scott [right] and SCOV co-founder Donna Grim.

WJLA Meteorologist Doug Hill Speaks at Luncheon

"There's more going

on in life than what

all in this together,

somehow, we're all

connected."

Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna [SCOV] hosted more than 100 guests for event.

oug Hill, chief meteorologist at WJLA television, shared "profound" mo-

Hill, with more than 30 years of TV weather-forecasting behind him, offered insights into his personal life, experiences that directed him to the spiritual state he stands in today. More than 100 guests we realize. ... We're attended the luncheon and presentation at Emmanuel Lutheran Church.

"In my world, there is no luck," said Hill, who also reports on weather for WTOP. "Everything is divinely appointed." Hill recalled piv otal events in his life, from his

of his 3-year-old son in 1989. Alone with his wife writer. There is a small fee for the luncheon. in the hospital room holding his lifeless son, Hill The lunch was prepared by students of George felt a warm, reassuring hand on his shoulder. C. Marshall's Davis Center for Culinary Arts and Whoever or whatever that touch was Hill never served by volunteers of the Buddhist Tzu Chi Founknew but it was at that moment that his life dation this together, somehow, we're all connected."

After the death of his child, his marriage dissolved and Hill struggled to overcome his grief.

Perhaps it was the divine intervention he referred to, but at his lowest point, another woman entered his life. They've been married more than 20 years and started a family to augment the one Hill had. His new grandson will be moving from Alaska to join the Hills in southern Maryland. Said Hill, "life is good."

After Hill's presentation, he invited questions from guests. Weather models and prediction were high on the list. Hill explained the applications of ments in his life with guests of weather models and the fickleness of prediction. Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna Topography, he said, plays a large role in weather at SCOV's March 18 Lunch n' Life presentation. patterns. In a witty narrative, Hill occasionally merged his personal perspec-

tive with weather forecasting.

"I don't know what tomorrow will bring," said Hill. To great laughter Hill said,

"weatherwise, I have no clue." SCOV provides services, personal enrichment and volunteer opportunities for adults 50 and over and is supported by the resources of area churches. The organization offers classes to members and its volunteers drive peers to doctors' appointments and help them with handyman resources. June's

changed forever, Hill said. "There's more going on To learn more about the services and resources in life than what we realize," he said. "We're all in of the Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna, go to www.scov.org.

-Donna Manz

ENTERTAINMENT

Send announcements to vienna@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Thursday for the following week's paper. Photos/artwork encouraged For additional listings, visit www.connectionnewspapers.com

WEDNESDAY/MARCH 20

Our Feathered Friends. 10:30 a.m.. at Dolley Madison Library, 1244 Oak Ridge Ave., McLean. First day of spring stories and activities; ages 2-3 with an adult. 703-356-0770.

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

THURSDAY/MARCH 21 Computer C.O.R.E. Business to

Business Networking. 5-7 p.m., at DaDomenico Ristorante, 1992 Chain Bridge Road, McLean. A networking event with light appetizers and door prizes and a cash bar; two hours of networking and meeting new people. \$10 (cash or check) Gina@ComputerCORE.org.

FRIDAY/MARCH 22

"Never the Sinner." 8 p.m., at 1st Stage in Tysons, 524 Spring Hill Road, Tysons Corner, McLean. Playwright John Logan's riveting first play about the 1924 "crime of the century." General: \$25: students: \$15 or 703-854-1856 or www.1ststagetysons.org

SUNDAY/MARCH 24

29th Annual Children's Spring Festival. 1:30-4:30 p.m., at Great Falls Village Centre, 768 Walker Road, Great Falls, Adeler Jewelers and the Great Falls Optimist Club put on the fest with games, ride, food and more. info@adelerjewelers.com.

TUESDAY/MARCH 26

Stick Figure, Jordan Miller & DUB Campaign. 8 p.m., at Jammin Java,n227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna Stick Figure, Jordan Miller and Dub Campaign bring the IRIE vibes with the live bands. \$13 advance, \$15 door. https://jamminjava.com/ events/stick-figure.

THURSDAY/MARCH 28

Catie Curtis With Jenna Lindbo. 8 p.m., at The Barns at Wolf Trap, 1635 Trap Road, Vienna. The 12-albumdeep International Songwriting Competition award-winner with a penchant for singing about the highs and lows of life welcomes singer. songwriter and storyteller Jenna indbo. \$22. www.wolftrap.org.

FRIDAY/MARCH 29

The Iguanas. 8 p.m., at The Barns at Wolf Trap, 1635 Trap Road, Vienna. A ve Americana trio plays their mix of rock 'n' roll, roots, jazz, blues and Mexican conjunto music. \$22. www.wolftrap.org.

SATURDAY/MARCH 30

- America's Next Top Dog Fashion Photo Contest. Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Ave. E., Vienna Bring in a photo of your dog (real or plush) decked out in the latest ashions, and your pooch could be awarded the title "America's Next Top Dog. 703-938-0405.
- Friends of Nottoway Easter Egg Hunt. 9:30 a.m. (registration), 10:30 a.m., 11 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and noon, at Nottoway Park Picnic Shelter, 9357 Courthouse Road, Vienna. Egg hunt times arranged by age of child participants (1-2 years at 10:30 a.m.; 3-4 years at 11 a.m.; 5-7 years at

11:30 a.m. and 7-9 years at noon); bring your own basket \$8, cash only; cost to benefit Nottoway Park impro 703-324-8566

"Never the Sinner." 2 p.m., 8 p.m., at 1st Stage in Tysons, 524 Spring Hill Road, Tysons Corner, McLean. Playwright John Logan's riveting first play about the 1924 "crime of the century." General: \$25; students: \$15. or 703-854-1856 or

www.1ststagetysons.org. Sean Rowe, 7 p.m., at Jammir Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. Singer Sean Rowe promotes his album The Salesman and the Shark.

www.jammingjava.com. John Eaton. 7:30 p.m., at The Barns at Wolf Trap, 1635 Trap Road, Vienna. The Wolf Trap regular returns to perform the final segment of his three-part jazz piano series; Eaton together with bassist Tommy Cecil will improvise Great American Songbook numbers and take audience requests \$25. www.wolftrap.org.

SUNDAY/MARCH 31

"Never the Sinner." 2 p.m., at 1st Stage in Tysons, 524 Spring Hill Road, Tysons Corner, McLean. Playwright John Logan's riveting first play about the 1924 "crime of the century." General: \$25; students: \$15. or 703-854-1856 or www.1ststagetysons.org

FRIDAY/APRIL 5

2013 Asian American Chamber Gala. 6-10 p.m., at The Westin Tysons Corner, 7801 Leesburg Pike Falls Church. AACC Chamber Award Gala recognizing businesses and leaders of Asian & Pacific Island descent who have made outstanding contributions to the D.C.-are busines community and economy; cocktails, dinner, auction and cultural performances included. www.asian-

americanchamber.org/2013gala. "Never the Sinner." 8 p.m., at 1st Stage in Tysons, 524 Spring Hill Road, Tysons Corner, McLean. Playwright John Logan's riveting first play about the 1924 "crime of the century. General: \$25; students: \$15. or 703-854-1856 or 1ststagetysons.org. A Night of Music with Peter

Kolkay. 8 p.m., at The Barns, 1635 Trap Road, Vienna. The Wolf Trap National Park presents the bassoonist and first-prize winner of the Concert Artists Guild Competition, Peter Kolkav. \$35. http:// purchase.tickets.com/buy/ TicketPurchase?agency= WOLF_TRAP&pid=7295869.

SATURDAY/APRIL 6

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- Asphalt Orchestra. 8 p.m., at the Alden Theatre at McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean The street band that plays processional music from Frank Zappa David Byrne, Annie Clark, Tatsuya Yoshida and the like performs in their Virginia debut. \$25; \$18 for MCC residents. 703-790-0123, www.asphaltorchestra.com or www.aldentheatre.org.

Gustafer Yellowgold's Rock Melon Tour. 10:30 a.m., at the Jammin Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. Equal parts pop rock concert and nimated storybook, Gustafer

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As a leading interpreter of music, a jazz enthusiast and nationally-recognized pianist, John Eaton has been performing across the country for over 40 years. He will be performing on Saturday, March 30, at The Barns at Wolf Trap, 1635 Trap Road, Vienna Yellowgold concerts are a truly

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index.aspx?NID=1024. Tour of the Bluebells in Memory of Eleanor Weck. 11 a.m., at Riverbend Park, 8814 Jeffery Road, Great Falls. A guided tour of the bluebells in the park in memory of Eleanor Weck, founder of the Great Falls TrailBlazers; light refreshment follow. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ parks/riverbend/visitorcenter.htm

SUNDAY/APRIL 7

Run & Remember 5K Corporate Challenge. 8:30 a.m. (7 a.m. day-of registration), at Tysons Corner Center, 1961 Chain Bridge Road McLean. Run to benefit TAPS, the Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors, which honors fallen military heroes by caring for those who they loved and left behind; call





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Spring Festival in Great Falls

Children are unleashed to the Great Falls Village Green to hunt for Easter eggs on April 1, 2012, during the annual egg hunt. This year's 29th Annual Children's Spring Festival will be held on Sunday, March 2, 1:30-4:30 p.m., at Great Falls Village Centre, 768 Walker Road, Great Falls.

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Joni Chan. 3 p.m., at the Alden Theatre, McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. University of Indiana's award-winning pianist plays Ravel's Valses nobles et entimentales, Prokofiev's Piano Sonata No. 6 in A Major, and works

Information

by Chopin; sponsored by the Music Friends of the Fairfax County Public Library. 703-620-9535.

TUESDAY/APRIL 9

HBC Realty Group Fundraiser Dinner. 5-8 p.m., at Pulcinella Italian Host, 6852 Old Dominio Drive, McLean. HBC Realty Group's Community Charity Champions host a fundraiser for Kent Gardens PTA. bring a flyer for the fundraiser and 60 percent of dinner and drink proceeds go to the charity (call or visit website to receive flyer). 703-734-0192 or www.HBCRealtvGroup.com

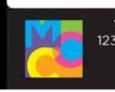


Public Hearing on the McLean Community Center's FY 2015 Programs Wednesday, March 20, at 7:30 p.m.

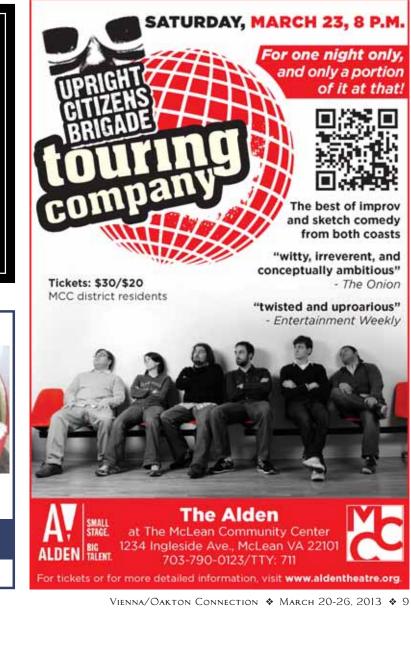
The Governing Board of the McLean Community Center is seeking input from residents of Dranesville Small District 1A at its Public Hearing on Programs for Y 2015, which runs July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

The Board is interested in hearing residents' ideas for classes, community events, theatre programs, exhibits, tours and youth and teen activities.

If you would like to speak at the hearing, call the Center to have your name placed on the speakers' list. You also may submit comments in writing to: ellen.barial@fairfaxcounty.gov



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Education Learning Fun



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Local musicians and music educators say parents can encourage and inspire children's musicality with simple activities at home.

The Sound of Music

Enhancing your child's always singing." music education during Lasko encourages parents to allow chil-dren to experiment with instruments. "As Music in Our Schools Month and beyond.

> By Marilyn Campbell The Connection

rom the powerful sounds of a high school band to the soothing melodies sung in a kindergarten music classroom, local music educators are using the month of March to raise awareness of the benefits of learning music.

In fact, the National Association for Music Education (NAfME) designates March as Music In Our Schools Month, and local music educators echo the significance of the annual celebration.

"The reason Music in our Schools Month is so important is because it heightens awareness ... that school music programs help provide important and healthy musical alternatives to the sometimes disturbing messages that children inadvertently hear in the ... music they may encounter in popular culture," said Brian C. Wuttke, Ph.D., director of music education at George Mason University in Fairfax.

Even if formal music lessons are not an option, local musicians and music educators say that parents can encourage and inspire their children's musicality with simple activities at home. "Research suggests that parental involvement in a child's music activities can not only pique a child's interest in music, but it can positively impact motivation and achievement in music," Wuttke said.

So how can parents support a child's musical talent or interest? "I think playing music with your kids would be the number one way to enhance their musicality," said Elizabeth Lasko of the National Association for Music Education. "Of course, a parent may not play an instrument, but there is

kids, we used to sing with our grandmother's player piano," she said. "Singing with recorded music is another option. Learning songs from different eras and genres can open up new worlds to kids." According to Lasko, inexpensive percussion instruments like shakers or tambourines can help children develop rhythm while having fun.

Shannon Melideo, Ph.D., chair of the Education Department at Marymount University in Arlington, says exposure to music should be a priority. "[It] is critically important," she said. "Sure, you want them to listen to 'your music' as a parent, but listen to as much diverse music as possible and talk about it informally."

Lasko agrees and encourages parents to look for local performances that are designed for young audiences. "Lots of children love to attend musical performances that are geared toward their own age, especially if there is fun interaction between the performers and the audience," she said. "Many communities offer inexpensive performances. Some [are offered] at schools. Seeing kids their own age or slightly older perform music can be very inspiring for children."

Parents don't even have to leave home to find musical inspiration. "For young children, simple, everyday household items can be used to make a functional musical instrument that the child can decorate and compose a song on," said Wuttke.

He added that parents should encourage their children to participate in school music programs. "Praise the student for their efforts," he said. "Ask the student to sing or play a song on an instrument they are working on in school for family members."

Finally, technology offers convenient options. "There are many iPad applications, for instance, that are musical in nature and help kids learn about different instruments and how to record music," said Lasko.



A team of Westbriar ES sixth graders hosted a drive for gently-used soccer equipment to benefit the SOS Children's Villages in Mali. The Mali Soccer Drive team sent 117 shirts, 42 shorts, 36 pairs of socks, 24 soccer balls and other gear to the orphanage.

Westbriar Elementary's Sixth Graders Score With Mali Soccer Drive

At Westbriar Elementary School's International Night, a team of sixth graders kicked off a drive for gently-used and new soccer equipment to benefit the SOS Children's Villages in Mali. Over the course of a week, the Mali Soccer Drive team collected money to acquire 117 shirts, 42 shorts, 36 pairs of socks, 24 soccer balls and other assorted gear that

will be sent to the orphanages in Mali. In organizing the drive, the students had the opportunity to learn about current events in Mali as they lent a helping hand to children in need across the globe.

DC United, PJ's Sports and Vienna Youth Soccer contributed to the success of the Mali Soccer Drive.



Back row: Alex Sorrell, Ana McMenamin, Julie Carey, Elise Dirkse, Anneliese Goetz, Megan Kenny, Jessie McHenry, Patricia O'Reilly, Jennifer Wiley and Gerardo Ramirez. Front row: Julia Walker, Lindsey Wiley, Sam Flowers, Susie Hyland, Michelle Paredes, Vicki Spina, Madeline Walker, Madison August and Olivia Dabich. Not pictured is Aivia Gharib.

Strikers Red Wins Bracket, Beats Arlington

The Vienna Youth Soccer (VYS) U15 Girls Strikers Red soccer team won their bracket at the Arlington Soccer Invita- Dirkse, Sam Flowers, Alivia Gharib, tional Tournament, defeating the Saint Anneliese Goetz, Susie Hyland, Megan Marys United U15 Wildcats 5-1 in the final.

The Strikers were undefeated in the two day tournament, beating teams from Burke Athletic Club, Arlington Soccer Association and Lionville, Pa.

The Strikers Red players are Madison August, Julie Carey, Olivia Dabich, Elise Kenny, Jessie McHenry, Ana McMenamin, Patricia O'Reilly, Michelle Paredes, Alex Sorrell, Vicki Spina, Julia Walker, Madeline Walker and Lindsey Wiley.^oThe Strikers are coached by Gerardo Ramirez and Jennifer Wiley, and managed by Phil Kenny.

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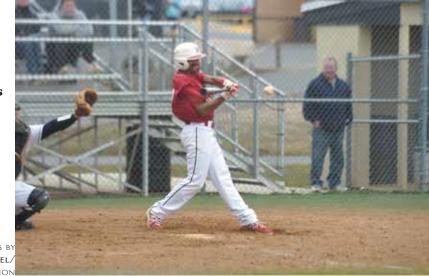
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Sports

McLean freshman outfielder Matt Collins went 2-for-3 with a double and an RBI against Westfield on March 16.





Sullivan Leads McLean Baseball to Victory

McLean pitcher Joey Sullivan

struck out eight in six innings

during a victory against

Westfield on March 16.

Highlanders beat Westfield for first victory.

By Jon Roetman The Connection

he McLean batting order isn't loaded with sluggers, but the Highlanders showed Saturday that strong pitching and putting the ball in play is enough to get the job done.

The McLean baseball team earned its first win of the season on March 16, beating Westfield 4-1 at Westfield High School. The Highlanders totaled seven hits including six singles—and struck out just three times. Meanwhile, the Bulldogs committed five errors, including four in the third inning, which led to three McLean runs.

Four runs were plenty for McLean starting pitcher Joey Sullivan. The junior right-hander allowed one earned run and five hits while walking one and striking out eight in six innings. Westfield put two runners on base in the bottom of the sixth, but Sullivan got out of trouble with a strikeout and a fielder's choice.

"Joey Sullivan has got a big-time arm," McLean interim head coach Ray Zdancewicz said. "He just came out and did a super job. Getting him on the mound, throwing

strikes, kind of putting them on their heels a little bit and getting that run early kind of set the tone a little bit. at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, March 22. "We know Westfield's real good, ter Saturday's game. "The past cou

"We just did what we've been preaching pretty much from day one ... to put the ball in play. Be tough two-strike hitters because we don't have anybody that's going to knock the ball out of the park we have maybe one guy that even has the chance so we need to be a little tougher and be productive." McLean took a 1-0 lead in the top of the second. Senior Jack Fant led off the inning with a single and, two batters later, freshman outfielder Matt Collins delivered a two-out, run-scoring single.

McLean added three runs in the third, thanks to four Westfield errors.

"[McLean] put it in play, that's the biggest thing," Westfield head coach Chuck Welch said. "They put it in play and we didn't. I give them a lot of credit for [what] they did. I thought they did a tremendous job. We certainly didn't make all the plays, but in high school, if you put the ball in play hard, your

chances are pretty good of something happening ... "

Fant had two singles for McLean. Sullivan, senior center fielder Hunter Eckrod and junior Sam Pierce each had one single.

Collins finished 2-for-3 with a double and an RBI.

"I think the sky is the limit for this kid, I really do," Sullivan said about Collins. "I've never seen anyone that likes baseball more than he does."

Fant is McLean's number one pitcher. Sophomore catcher Caleb Beatty will be looked upon to provide the Highlanders with power in the middle of the order.

McLean opened the season with a 3-2 loss to Chantilly on March 13. The Highlanders were scheduled to face South Lakes on Tuesday, after The Connection's deadline. McLean will travel to face Stone Bridge

"We know Westfield's real good," Sullivan said after Saturday's game. "The past couple of years, we've gotten our butts kicked by them, so we came in a little bit more focused today than we did [against] Chantilly. When we played Chantilly, our team wasn't in it. We weren't focused. Today, I could tell we were much more focused and we were ready to play and we knew we wanted it."



Oakton junior Alana Peters pitches against South County on March 15.

Oakton Softball Drops Season Opener

he Oakton softball the fourth inning, giving the Stalteam lost its season lions a 1-0 lead. South County

opener to South County, 4-0, on March 15 in a rematch from last year's Northern Region semifinals. Oakton head coach Ray Gordon resigned on Friday due to an "irreconcilable differing on staffing," Director of Student Activities Pat Full said Tuesday.

Sam Newman, a Fairfax County Public Schools employee, is the new Oakton head softball coach and met the team for the first time on Monday, Full said.

With 2012 Northern Region Pitcher of the Year Allison Davis recovering from an injury to her pitching arm, junior Alana Peters pitched for Oakton. Peters was perfect through three innings, but South County catcher Haylea Geer delivered a two-out, runscoring double on a 0-2 pitch in the fourth inning, giving the Stallions a 1-0 lead. South County added three more runs in the fifth on a three-run triple by freshman Jade Williams.

Peters surrendered four earned runs on five hits while walking two and striking out seven in six innings.

Oakton finished with two hits. Second baseman and cocaptain Becky Cerva's third-inning single was the first hit of the game for either team. Junior Marleigh Hall had a double in the sixth inning.

Davis and shortstop Emily Krisanda are also co-captains.

Oakton defeated South County 3-0 in eight innings during last year's region semifinals. The Cougars finished region runner-up to Stone Bridge.

Oakton will travel to face Battlefield at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, March 22.



Second baseman Becky Cerva is an Oakton softball co-captain.

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