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**ABOUT ALEXANDRIA'S BRENDAN O'TOOLE** 

Brendan O'Toole served in the United States Marine Corps from 2008-2012. He enlisted during his senior year at T. C. Williams High School in Alexandria. During his time in the Corps, O'Toole completed two overseas deployments as a communications specialist based out of Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point (N.C.).

On his first deployment (2009), Brendan served as a member of the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) which assisted in the Haitian earthquake relief effort, before serving in the Indian Ocean, the country of Djibouti, and patrolling the Gulf of Aden and the east coast of Africa where pirating was a major problem. During their Haitian duty, O'Toole established a functioning communication system that was used to coordinate the distribution of vital humanitarian supplies.

On his second deployment (2011), O'Toole was stationed in Afghanistan with Marine Air Support Squadron 1. Upon his arrival, he was assigned to Regimental Combat Team 6, which was assigned to the western part of the Helmand Province, outside the city of Delaram. O'Toole was responsible for all ground communications efforts of the Direct Air Support Center's area of operation. Sgt. O'Toole established and maintained radio and tactical communications systems used to coordinate air strikes against insurgent forces as well as support medical evacuations, and re-supply to U.S. military and coalition forces throughout the battlefield. It was during his Afghanistan deployment that Brendan started planning for The Run for Veterans.

In June 2012, Brendan completed his active duty military service with the rank of Sergeant. On his return home to Alexandria, he began planning and organizing The Run for Veterans, which was chartered by the State of Virginia in August, 2012.



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# NEWS

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**Republican E.W. Jackson** speaks as Democrat **Ralph Northam listens** Tuesday night at the Arlington campus of George Mason University.



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# Battling for Lieutenancy

"The only thing

— Former U.S. Rep.

**Tom Davis** 

missing is the

popcorn."

### Improbable race for lieutenant governor comes to Northern Virginia.

By Michael Lee Pope The Connection

tanding in line for a quick dinner before the debate Tuesday, Sept. 24, between candidates for lieutenant governor, former Republican U.S. Rep. Tom Davis and his wife Jeannemarie Devolite Davis said they were looking forward to the event as a form of political theater. Jeannemarie Devolite Davis, who once represented Fairfax County in the State Senate, was one of the unprecedented seven candidates vying to be the Republican standard-bearer at the Republican convention in Richmond earlier this year. But despite her Tea Party campaign materials, convention goers selected the firebrand preacher E.W. Jackson after he

gave a rousing speech that had delegates on their feet waving electric candles.

"It will be entertaining," observed the former congressman as he sat down to a sandwich. "The only thing missing is the popcorn."

This year's campaign for lieutenant governor has provided a political show unlike any other in recent memory.

The Democrat in the race, state Sen. Ralph Northam (D-6), is a standard candidate of the Democratic establishment. It's the Republican who has hogged the spotlight in the race after his improbable victory at the convention in May, when he delivered his speech that outlined a conservative vision for Virginia's future in a hellfire-and-brimstone delivery honed by years in the pulpit. When asked about his controversial statements comparing Planned Parenthood to the Ku Klux Klan and suggesting yoga allowed for Saread aloud from a section of the Virginia Constitution that provides for free speech.

"We've got to watch this because what this really amounts to is a religious test," said Jackson, eliciting laughter from some in the audience. "It's the same thing they tried to do to John Kennedy, the same thing they tried to do with Mitt Romney.'

Candidates who are trailing in the polls are usually the ones on the attack. But this race is different, and Northam remained on the attack during the entire debate—criticizing Jackson for not paying taxes and castigating the Republican for what he called "divisive" rhetoric. Again and again, Northam portrayed Jackson as a candidate who would be dangerous for Virginia's economy and reputation.

"Making statements against the LGBT community saying that they are sick individuals," said Northam. "Making statements against Democrats saying that they are anti-God, that they are anti-family and that they are anti-life, they are offensive."

THE CANDIDATES took opposing views on several positions. The Democrat supports Medicaid expansion because he says Virginia tax dollars would go elsewhere if the program is not expanded, adding that the cost of leaving people uninsured would remain a burden. The Republican opposed Medicaid expansion as a government overreach, arguing that

it was a program that was sure to fail and bring Virginia's economy down with it. Perhaps the most surprising exchange of the evening came over the issue of mental health.

"Look, I don't want to scare you but I've got some mentally ill people in my family," said Jackson. "They need help. They need treatment."

The Republican said the 1975 movie "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" created a dangerous change in how people feel about treating people with mental illness, moving away from a model of institutionalizing people. Jackson said the recent mass shootings have shown that some people should be in institutions, where they can receive treatment without being a menace to society. Once again, Northam went on the attack.

"How sad," responded the Democrat. "I'm sorry that you have people in your family that are mentanic possession, Jackson whipped out his iPad and tally ill and how sad that you would go visit them in an institution, Mister Jackson. We can do better than that here in the commonwealth."

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# **Residential Studios** Put on Hold

Supervisors establish committee, plan additional public outreach.

Bulova (D-At-Large) and Supervisor Michael Frev (R-Sully), the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday deferred its Nov. 20 public hearing on a proposed residential studios (RSUs) amendment to conduct additional community outreach.

The board also established a Planning Commission Residential Studios Committee.

"It is important that the county hear from the various stakeholders affected by the proposed residential studios amendment," Bulova said.

"The Planning Commission's Residential Studios Committee will provide an engagement process with the goals of addressing and resolving questions and concerns associated with the RSU amendment. I encourage residents to participate in the process," Bulova added.

ON JULY 30-in a move designed to increase affordable housing options for workingclass individuals-the board unanimously voted to authorize a public hearing on a proposed zoning ordinance amendment regarding residential studio units (RSUs) that would permit RSU use in various residential, commercial and industrial districts by special exception or in all planned development districts.

"There is a tremendous need for housing at all income levels in Fairfax County," Chairman Sharon Bulova said after the July 30 vote. "Permitting residential studios is an excellent way to accommodate lower income rental units and provide more housing choices for our residents. RSUs can be a great tool for providing efficiency apartments for our younger entry level workers, for seniors and others who may not need or want a lot of space."

In the past 40 years, Fairfax County has become one of the wealthiest counties in the nation. As land prices soared, the creation of low to moderate priced housing plummeted. For several years, county of-

ficials have grappled with hous-

t the recommendation ing options that will aid efforts of Chairman Sharon to end homelessness, accommodate the area's aging single population, and increase affordable housing for a workforce earning less than 60 percent of the area median income (AMI).

> Donna Pesto, the county's senior assistant to the zoning administrator, said the proposal would not change the building codes, and would apply to rental units only.

> Under the proposal, Pesto said there could be no more than 75 residential studio units in a building and a minimum of 80 percent of units have to be affordable to low-income earners, those making about \$45,000 per year or less. The maximum square footage for the units would be 500 square feet, plus a bathroom and kitchen.

> "As parts of the county continue to urbanize, higher densities can be achieved, which makes the inclusion of more affordable housing more practical," Pesto said.

> Pesto said the standards for allowing RSUs were "pretty stringent."

> BUT PUBLIC REACTION to the proposal has been less than enthusiastic. Despite assurances from county planners that RSUs would not be developed in ways that would dampen property values, many residents and homeowners groups voiced opposition to the proposal.

> In order to address community concerns members of the Planning Commission have suggested a process for encouraging engagement in changes to the advertised ordinance.

The committee will provide opportunities for detailed consideration of the Zoning Ordinance Amendment by planning commissioners, citizens and other stakeholders through five scheduled committee meetings. All meetings will be open to the public and will allow opportunities for discussion.

The Planning Commission will continue to conduct Work Sessions scheduled for Sept. 25

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Photos by Andrea Worker/The Connection



From left—Sheli Sotiropoulos, VASBP President Tim Ciampaglio, LaPearl Smith. Sotiropoulos and Smith represented the Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services at the summit.



Evelyn Cromartie and Michael Sales from the NVCC Workforce Development program gave their opinions of the keynote speakers. "McAuliffe definitely gave more specifics," said Sales. Cromartie wasn't too sure she agreed with, or approved of Cuccinelli's "anti-union remarks."

# McAuliffe, Cuccinelli Highlight Small Business Summit

Gubernatorial candidates speak at the Mason Inn & Conference Center.

By Andrea Worker The Connection

irginia gubernatorial candidates Terry McAuliffe and Ken Cuccinelli were the keynote speakers at the fourth annual Virginia Small Business Partnership (VASBP) Summit, hosted by Miller/Wenhold Capitol Strategies LLC at The Mason Inn in Fairfax on Friday, Sept. 20. "We are thrilled to have them join us," said Paul A. Miller, chairman of the VASBP.

McAuliffe was first up, and with few words allocated to his own biography, launched into several specific proposals and ideas he pledged to implement if elected.

McAuliffe's remarks closely aligned with the program's agenda, touching on each of the main themes being addressed in the summit's breakout sessions: public/private partnerships, tax policy and reform, transportation, healthcare and the readiness of today's graduates for the workforce.

**MCAULIFFE APPEALED** for increasing the cap on Angel Investor investments and establishing more resources to help refine promising ideas even before they are ready for investors. While he encouraged entrepreneurship in all industries, McAuliffe called for an emphasis on Biotechnology and IT. "Cybersecurity is more important than ever," he said. "Virginia should be the national, even global leader in this field." The Democratic candidate also expressed a need to increase partnerships with high schools and Community Colleges, describing them as the "front lens of our economy."

Speaking on tax policy and reform, McAuliffe cited several current taxes and regulations that he deemed to "make no sense," calling them "burdensome," and vowing to work with localities to reduce or eliminate anti-growth taxes. "We need more



Democratic candidate for governor Terry McAuliffe addresses the attendees at the Virginia Small Business Partnership Summit. McAuliffe hit on all of the agenda highlights during his 30-minute speech.

Main Street options," he stated. He also touched on the topic of transportation, praising the passage of Virginia HB 2313, the Transportation Bill that finally provides funds for transportation projects. "In recent years, our ranking has fallen from first place, to the third, and now to fifth on the list of best places to do business. We need to get back to number one," he said, saying that a modern and efficient transportation infrastructure is essential to the economic life of the commonwealth.

Before completing his address, McAuliffe



Virginia Attorney General and Republican candidate for governor Ken Cuccinelli warned that the creation of part-time jobs versus fulltime jobs "is not healthy. That's not job creation. That's eating away at our middle class."

did step outside the confines of the VASBP's agenda, condemning the threat of a federal government shutdown over de-funding of Obamacare as "extremely harmful" to Virginia and linking his opponent to the House Republicans behind the measure. "Ken Cuccinelli needs to call his Tea Party allies ... and tell them to put this ideological agenda aside ... we can't afford it," he demanded.

**MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE** hoping to witness the candidates come face-to-face at the event were disappointed by the 20-

plus minute delay in the arrival of Cuccinelli. The attorney general of Virginia opened his remarks with an overview of his personal, educational and employment background, as well as speaking of his involvement with numerous community care projects, which he described as "a distinction in this race." Referring to his tenure in the State Senate from 2002-2010, Cuccinelli said, "I will not need on the job training another distinction."

After warning that sequestration and furloughing were causing "buffeting for the first time in Northern Virginia," he added, "I bring a plan and a positive vision." He invited the attendees to view his website for the details of his plan to add 58,000 new jobs to the commonwealth's economy. Like his opponent, Cuccinelli spoke of the need to close tax loopholes and to examine tax credits and to push to keep regulations down. "I am willing to fight to keep Washington off your backs," he declared.

Cuccinelli gave significant talking time to what he called the administration's "War on Coal," calling it a "war on our poor in Virginia," blasting the EPA's proposed emissions rules announced that morning, saying they would "cripple Virginia's coal industry." He also defended the need to keep Virginia a "Right to Work State," and to avoid unionization.

He reminded the crowd that he was the first attorney general to oppose the Affordable Health Care Act. "It's economically destructive, this one rule, like I've never seen," he said.

Cuccinelli wrapped up by naming some of the organizations that were endorsing his candidacy and "asking each and every one of you for your vote." Unlike McAuliffe, Cuccinelli did not take questions from the press after his speech. His staff cited schedule overruns, saying the candidate was late for a debate preparation session.

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# News Studios

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and Oct. 2 at the Fairfax County Government Center.

Following the Work Sessions, the Residential Studios Committee will convene in late October with further meetings in November, December, and January, and a public hearing in late February. The public hearing currently slated for Nov. 19 will be rescheduled.

– Victoria Ross

# Debate

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**RESPONSE TO** the debate was as divided as the candidates. Republicans moved to proclaim Jackson as the winner, arguing that Northam's campaign offers the kind of big-government solutions that are off-putting to Republicans and many moderates. GOP leaders called attention to Jackson's support of home schooling and low taxes.

"Not only did E.W. Jackson win tonight's debate, but he also made a strong case for why he's the best candidate to be Virginia's next lieutenant governor," said Republican Party of Virginia Chairman Pat Mullins in a written statement. "Ralph Northam offered the same tired, bigger government, higher taxes answers to Virginia's problems that Democrats have been offering for decades."

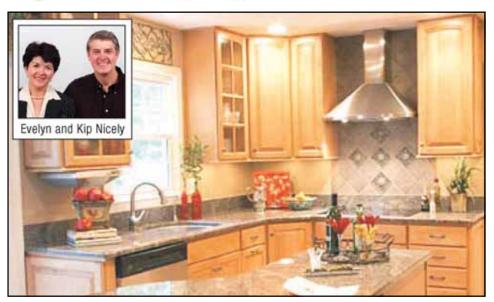
Democrats also tried to claim victory. They pointed to Jackson's controversial statements and warned that if he is elected, he will bring unwanted attention to Virginia by making it the butt of jokes on late-night television.

"Whether it's fighting for jobs across the commonwealth, finding new funding for education, or standing up against the Tea Party Republicans' continued effort to invade women's personal decisions, Ralph Northam has the record and the temperament to serve Virginians well in Richmond," said Del. Charniele Herring (D-46), chairwoman of the Democratic Party of Virginia. "In tonight's debate there was a clear contrast between Senator Northam, who continues to strive to make the commonwealth inclusive regardless of religion or sexual orientation and E.W. Jackson who defended his divisive comments at every turn. Senator Ralph Northam is far and above the best choice for lieutenant governor."





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# News Wear Jeans to Work, Help End Homelessness

Register now to participate in Jeans Day Fairfax on Oct. 18.

By Victoria Ross The Connection

ho knew? Just by wearing jeans to work, you can actively help nearly 3,000 men, women and children in Fairfax County who face homelessness and hunger every dav.

On Tuesday, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors proclaimed Friday, Oct. 18 'Jeans Day Fairfax," the third annual Jeans Day event in Fairfax County.

Launched in 2011 by the Fairfax County Office to Prevent and End Homelessness (OPEH), the event is a popular fundraiser for homelessness and other causes nationwide.

Jeans Day is a relatively simple idea. Companies go casual for a cause, inviting employees to wear their jeans to work in exchange for a \$5 contribution to fight homelessness.

Last year, more than 200 employers, schools and community



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residents became denim dogooders, pulling on a pair of their favorite jeans to demonstrate their support for ending homelessness.

The day of community give-back is sponsored by The Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with the Fairfax-Falls Church

Community Partnership to Prevent and End Homelessness, The Connection Newspapers and Apple Federal Credit Union.

"Northern Virginia businesses step up every day to support our community in many ways, but we're especially excited about this

opportunity because it's a chance for employees to get involved directly," said Fairfax Chamber President & CEO Jim Corcoran of the Jeans Day initiative.

"The majority of people without homes in our community are children and working families," said

### Turn \$5 into \$50,000 to Help **End Homelessness**

Dean Klein, the director of the county's Office to Prevent and End Homelessness, had some good news to share about Jeans Day Fairfax at the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors meeting Tuesday.

"We have been selected to receive a \$25,000 Challenge grant from the Phillip Graham Fund to support the 3rd Annual Jeans Day event," Klein said, adding:

"This exciting grant is intended to help us to challenge businesses, schools, faith groups and individuals to help us meet a larger goal of \$25,000."

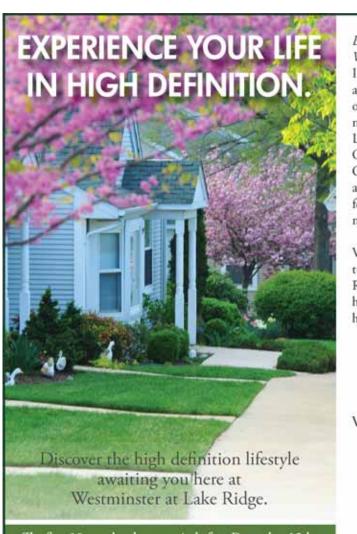
When the county meets its \$25,000 goal, the Phillip Graham Fund will provide a matching \$25,000.

Dean Klein, Director of Fairfax County's OPEH.

"Homelessness affects everyone, with social and economic costs to the community, including increased public costs for medical care and education. Everyone can help end homelessness by participating in Jeans Days Fairfax."

Klein said businesses and individuals can make Jeans Day Fairfax another huge success by being creative.

"It's fun and simple to organize. Ask people to come to work in their jeans and make a donation of \$5. It's a great way to bring a team, a floor or the whole company together," Klein said.



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### Week in Fairfax

### Del. Bulova to Hold Saturday Morning Coffee

This Saturday, Sept. 28, Del. David Bulova (D-37) will continue a tradition started in 2006 by holding the first in a series of informal office hours to take place from 9 to 11 a.m. Constituents are invited to talk about issues of interest and to ask questions about legislation affecting their community. The format is casual and no appointment is needed.

Sept. 28 and Dec. 7 at Main Street Bagel, 10268 Main Street, City of Fairfax;

Nov. 9 at Jireh Bakery and Café,13848 Lee Highway, Centreville.

Del. Bulova is also happy to arrange individual appointments on specific issues or concerns.

Bulova represents Virginia's 37th District, which includes the City of Fairfax and parts of surrounding Fairfax County out to Centreville. He has a professional background in environmental and water resources planning and currently serves on the Committees on Education, General Laws, and Agriculture, Chesapeake, and Natural Resources. He is a member of the State Water Commission, the Joint Commission on Health Care, and the Housing Commission.

### Fair Lakes Fall Fest

The Fair Lakes Fall Fest will be held this Saturday, Sept. 28, from 1-4 p.m., across from Dick's and Kohl's in Fair Lakes Circle. This family-friendly event includes food, games, fun and lots of activities for children.

### Firefighters Wear Pink, Purple

Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department personnel will don pink shirts from Oct. 1-14 for Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and then wear purple wristbands in support of Domestic Violence Month, from Oct. 15-31.

For the latter event, firefighters will wear purple wristbands with the message, "Speak Out to End Domestic Violence," on one side, and "Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department," on the other.

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Every Virginia voter will vote for governor; lieutenant governor; attorney general and their member of the House of Delegates.

At the top of the ticket, there are stark differences in the vision for Virginia held by the candidates of each party.

While almost all the coverage and advertising has focused on the significant negatives of the two major party candidates for governor, one of these two

men will in fact be elected governor and serve as governor for the next four years. It will make a huge difference which one.

It shouldn't take very much research for you to determine which candidate holds views closer to your own. What is critical is that you don't let the negatives about personality or other details keep you from voting. It matters. Figure out which one is your candidate and get out and vote.

Also on the ballot in Fairfax County: sheriff, and the school bond.

#### COMMENTARY

By Michelle Krocker Executive director, Northern Virginia Affordable Housing Alliance

airfax County's Planning Commission will hold two workshops on Wednesday, Sept. 25 and Oct. 2 to expand the discussion about the proposed residential studio unit (RSU) amendment to the Zoning Ordinance. There will be a staff presentation on Sept. 25, and questions submitted online by citizens to the Planning Department will be answered in the second workshop on Oct 2. The plan is for both workshops to be televised on the county's cable station.

There is a growing body of evidence that indicates the presence of an increasing percentage of single person households both many of these households desire rently provides. The RSU amendment seeks to address this grow-

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#### **Register to Vote**

To vote on Election Day, you must be registered at your current address no later than Oct. 15. You can check your registration status online by visiting the Board of Elections website at State °www.sbe.virginia.gov. There you can also download a voter registration form and mail or fax it to your elections office address.

Fairfax County Board of Elections, 703-222-0776, www.fairfaxcounty.gov/eb/

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#### Choose Your Own **Election Day**

From now until Saturday, Nov. 2, you can vote absentee in person for a variety of reasons, but you must sign a form affirming that you do qualify. Almost everyone with a job in Northern Virginia qualifies for one particular reason, however: your work plus commute time would be 11 hours or more between 6.a.m. and 7 p.m. on Election Day. Other rea-

sons include planned travel, pregnancy, illness or disability, being a student out Editorial of area, and more. Voters can also vote absentee by mail.

> It's worth looking at the absentee ballot application online before going to vote absentee in person. http://www.sbe.virginia.gov/Files/ Forms/VoterForms/ABApplication.pdf

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Monday-Friday, Oct. 15-Nov. 1, 8 a.m-7 p.m.

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# In Search of Affordable Housing

Challenges for Residential Studio Units and the need to address them.

feet, and are designed with kitchens and bathrooms in each unit. They can serve a range of people in our workforce, new graduates, returning veterans, those who are retired on fixed incomes, persons with disabilities who have limited incomes, and those with extremely low incomes. These are all people who want to live in our community, but with the current market housing choices, they have few options to be able to live affordably. In fact, given their incomes, many of these people may pay more than 50 percent of their monthly income for rent.

The proposed amendment alnationally and regionally, and lows the development of up to 75 small units for individuals earning a smaller, more affordable place to up to 60 percent of the area melive than what the market cur- dian income-approximately \$45,000 annually. Eighty percent of the residents in RSU developing need. These smaller units- ments will be at or below this inoften referred to as micro units— come category; the remaining 20 range in size from 250-500 square percent will have no income re-

strictions. The amendment language requires development to take place near collector streets or major thoroughfares, with adherence to all height, set-back and open space requirements for the proposed zoning district. Parking requirements are reduced, taking into consideration the driving patterns or use of mass transit by the residents, as well as the historical data that shows lower rates of car ownership by many of these households.

Citizen groups in the county have responded to this proposal with strong emotion and concerns. Some of these concerns are legitimate and deserve to be considered, and some are based on unfounded fears and misconceptions regarding the design and scale of development, and the kinds of people who might live there.

Some of what drives this strong negative reaction is the overcrowding occurring in certain

neighborhoods in the county. Illegal boarding houses have sprung

up in communities, and homeowners there feel that the county has been slow or unresponsive to addressing the problem. These neighborhoods fear that RSUs could be a way to "legitimize" overcrowded housing situations, and so they are opposed to any RSU development in the lower density residential districts-even with the strict requirements for commercial construction, appropriate scale, location on a collector street and the necessary approval by special exception.

However, people don't choose to live in overcrowded, unsafe conditions; they are forced to when they have no other options. In fact, housing advocates believe this new housing type could actually eliminate overcrowding in neighborhoods. Developing residential studio units throughout the county will provide more affordable opportunities for those persons living in illegal, overcrowded housing and those paying more than

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# FALL FUN Crafts, Plays, Dance: Fun Events for Fall

By Bonnie Hobbs The Connection

elow is a partial listing of some autumn events happening in the local area: ♦ Oct. 12—The Fairfax Fall Festival. held throughout the streets of downtown Saturday, Oct. 12, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. There'll be crafts galore, plus food, music and fun for children.

♦ Oct. 12—Encore Theatrical Arts Project will be among 12 dance companies performing in the fourth annual Fairfax County Dance Coalition Gala Showcase. "A Celebration of Dance" is slated for Saturday, Oct. 12, at 7:30 p.m., in the theater of NOVA's Annandale campus. Ballet, jazz, tap, modern, hiphop and international dances will be presented. Tickare \$22 in advance ets www.fairfaxcountydance.org/gala.htm or \$25 at the door. The audience is invited to the reception after the show.

Oct. 13—The 46th annual Clifton Day festival is Sunday, Oct. 13, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. (Rain date, Oct. 20). The family-friendly fun includes crafts, food, antiques, jugglers, bagpipe players, unicyclists, music, pony rides, civil war reenactments and children's

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Candy bars variety pack: (from left) Anita **Gossett**, Michael King and Elaine Houska ran in the 2012 Goblin Gallop.

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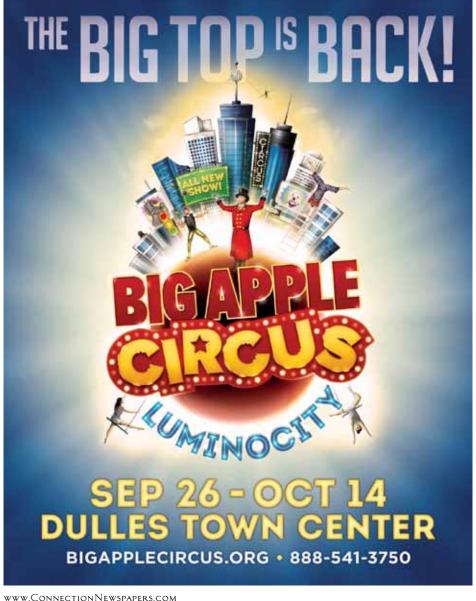
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#### THURSDAY-FRIDAY/SEPT. 26-27 15th Annual Fall for the Book

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www.fallforthebook.org.

#### THURSDAY-SATURDAY/ SEPT. 26-28

Friends of the Burke Centre Library Fall Used Book Sale. 1-9 p.m., Sept. 26; 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Sept. 27: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sept. 28 at Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. A variety of books will be sold at discounted prices. 703-249-1520.

#### THURSDAY-SUNDAY/ SEPT. 26-29

Mosaic Fashion Week. Various times at locations in Mosaic. 2910 District Ave., Fairfax. Local fashion boutiques and Angelika Film Center will host events in honor of Fashion Week: Thursday enjoy pop-up dining at an urban table dinner in Strawberry Park boasting a taste of to-come restaurant Gypsy Soul, courtesy of Chef Cooper (think 4-course meal following cocktails): a Friday film premiere of "Mademoiselle C," a documentary chronicling the launch of Carine Roitfeld's new magazine CR Fashion Book; a "runway replay" on Saturday. with a broadcast 4-7 p.m. of Nev York Fashion Week events in Strawberry Park; and yoga in the park Saturday morning, 9 a.m., followed by brunch and an apparel trunk show. www.mosaicdistrict.com.

#### FRIDAY/SEPT. 27

Taste of the Vine. 9:30 p.m., at Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. The fifth annual



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Chamber Orchestra Kremlin, to perform at the Center for the Arts at GMU Sunday, Oct. 6 at 4 p.m. under the baton of founder and music director Misha Rachlevsky.

#### **FRIDAY-SUNDAY**/ **SEPT. 27-NOV. 5** Temple Hall Corn Maize & Fall Festival. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., at 15855 Limestone School Road, Leesburg Sponsored by Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority, enter the

corn maize for fall fun; fall foods and wares add to the ambiance. 703-779-9372 or www.templehallfallfest.com.

#### SATURDAY/SEPT. 28

Multi-Family Yard Sale. 8 a.m.-2 p.m., at Daniels Run Elementary School, 3705 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. A sale benefitting the Fairfax High School Crew Team; the event is held rain or shine

#### MONDAY/SEPT. 30

Atoms for Peace. 8 p.m., George Mason Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Circle, Fairfax. Internationally renowned experimental rock and electronic supergroup featuring members of Radiohead, the Red Hot Chili Peppers, R.E.M., Forro in the Dark, and others performs as part of its 2013 tour. \$51.35-\$72.80. http:// cfa.gmu.edu/ or http:// triotcenter.com/

#### **TUESDAY-THURSDAY**/ **OCT. 1-31** 19th annual Fall Festival &

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Dance-A-Thon. 6-9 p.m., Buffa's Dance Studio, 9570 Burke Road, Burke. A three-hour fundraiser for the studio also serving as a beginning-ofthe-season get-together; dancers collect pledges and dance the whole or part of the evening. 703-425-5599

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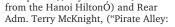
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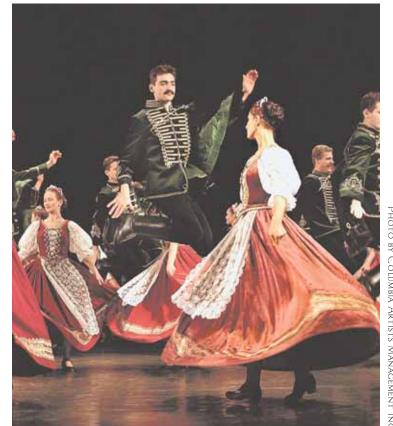
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"Twelfth Night." 8 p.m. George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, MS 2F5, Fairfax. Aquila Theatre performs one of Shakespeare's comedies complete with an original musical score. \$22-44; Mason ID permits 1 free ticket.

Fall Baking Demos. 11 a.m.-1 p.m., 3-5 p.m., at Fairfax Marriott at Fair Oaks, 11787 Lee Jackson Memorial Highway, Fairfax. Attend free baking demos to learn and see how to make great baked goods, both for the sweet tooth and savory whole grains. Two programs, offered one after the other 'Perfect Pies and Scones" & "Baking With Yeast." 800-827-6836 or kingarthurflour.com/baking. A Library Jubilee. 5-8 p.m., at the Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, in Burke. Let loose in the library with author events from Shari Randall ("Keep it Simple"), Ellen Crosby ("The Wine Country Mysteries"), Donna Andrews, autho of the Meg Langslow series and the Turning Hopper series, Andy Jampoler ("The Last Lincoln Conspirator), Taylor Kiland ("Lessons





The Hungarian State Folk Ensemble will perform Saturday, Oct. 19, at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 20 at 4 p.m. at GMU's Center for the Arts.

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Mason University Center for the Arts. 4400 University Drive, MS 2F5, Fairfax. Anthony Maiello conducts the American Festival Pops Orchestra in a celebration of 70s and 80s hits. The Friends of the Center for the Arts sponsors a pre-performance discussion begins at 7:15 on the Center's Grand Tier III and is free to ticket-holders. \$24-48. A Mason ID permits one free student ticket on -Sept. 24.

#### FRIDAY-SATURDAY/OCT. 11-12 Scientific Myths and Divine

Realities. 7:30 p.m. Friday, 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday at Unity of Fairfax, 2854 Hunter Mill Road. Oakton. British author Jon Freeman conducts a lecture Friday on his book, "The Science of Possibility." On Saturday he leads an experientia workshop entitled "Evolving Consciousness: A Leap into Possibility." \$25 talk, \$60 for conference. www.unityoffairfax.org/ jon-freeman.

#### SATURDAY/OCT. 12

Burke History Day 2013. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., at Burke Volunteer Fire and

Rescue Station, 9501 Burke Lake Road, Burke. A free day of children's activities, exhibits and presentations on Burke's history, from fighting the government to have the jet airport places in Dulles, not Burke, to turn-ofthe-century horse racing and beyond sponsored by the Burke Historical Society, runs concurrently with Burke Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department's Annual Open House.

www.burkehistoricalsociety.org. Fall Festival. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., in Old Town Fairfax. The 37th annual festival features 400-plus arts and crafts, information, food and gourmet food vendors, children's activities and three stages of music and entertainment. Free. 703-385-7858 or www.fairfax.gov/about-us/specialevents/fall-festival.

**Author Madeline Libre Book** Signing. 1-3 p.m., at Saxbys Coffee 10637 Braddock Road, Fairfax. "Who's Untying My Shoelaces?", a true story about the bond between a vulture, Clem, and his friend Mattie, tells of their adventures together and all the ways that Mattie helps him to discover his true self. 877- 727-0697 or saxbyscoffee.com. Second Saturday Art Walk. 6-9 p.m.,

at the Workhouse, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. See building upon building of art exhibitions. Highlights include Joe

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#### FRIDAY/OCT. 18

Homecoming Parade & Bite of Braddock. Parade at 5 p.m., Bite of Braddock from 5-7 p.m., game vs. West Springfield at 7:30 p.m., starting at Ashburn Community

Center, 9528 Ashburn Drive, Burke, From floats and cheerleaders throwing candy to Bite of Braddock food, games and entertainment, Homecoming Night excitement builds and culminates with the rivalry game.

"The Norwegian Paperclip." 7 p.m., at Norway House, 3846 Meredith Drive, Fairfax. A book signing and program by Olav R. Crone-Aamot, Norwegian underground operative against the German occupation of Norway in World War II, and career intelligent specialist with the US Army in Germany and Asia. 703-573-

5943 or www.norwaydc.org. Modern Fado by Mariza. 8 p.m., at GMU Center for the Arts, 4400

University Drive, Fairfax, Mariza will perform her modernized interpretation of fado, the ancient Portuguese genre which translates as "fate" or "destiny." A preperformance discussion runs 45 minutes prior to the performance on \$23-\$46; tickets are half price for youth through grade 12. 888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu.

#### SATURDAY/OCT. 19

25th annual Spartanfest. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., at WSHS, 6100 Rolling Road, Springfield, A craft show, silent auction, games, food and more to benefit the school. 703-629-2760 or wshsspartanfest@msn.com.

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Aziz Ansari. 8 p.m. at the GMU Center for the Arts Concert Hall, 4373 Mason Pond Drive, Fairfax. One of the stars of NBC's "Parks and Recreation" performs his own stand up comedy. \$35-\$45. cfa.gmu.edu.

#### SATURDAY-SUNDAY/OCT. 19-20

Hungarian State Folk Ensemble. 8 p.m. Saturday, 4 p.m. Sunday, at the Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. The troupe presents "Hungarian Rhapsody," a spirited journey through time that traces the history of this thousand-year-old culture through its dance and music traditions. \$ www.cfa.gmu.edu. The Marci and Zina Show. 8 p.m. on

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Saturday, 2 p.m. on Sunday at The Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia, 8900 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax. Marcy Heisler and Zina Goldrich offer "wackily sophisticated" entertainment. From heartbreakingly sincere to laugh-outloud funny, they do it all with style and class. \$29/\$24 JCCNV member and seniors; \$19 students and groups (10-plus). 703-323-0880 or www.jccnv.org.

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activities. For VRE train schedule plus parking information, go to www.cliftonday.com.

♦ Oct. 18-20—The Craftsmen's Classic Arts & Crafts Festival will be held, Friday-Sunday, Oct. 18-20, at the Dulles Expo Center. Friday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information, see www.craftshow.com.

♦ Oct. 26—The Clifton Haunted Trail is slated for Saturday, Oct. 26, from 7-10 p.m., in the Town of Clifton's Eight-Acre Park. Sturdy shoes are recommended; snacks and beverages are available. (Not recommended for young chil-See all info at dren). www.cliftonhauntedtrail.com.

♦ Oct. 27—The 20th annual Valvoline Instant Oil Change Goblin Gallop 5K is set for Sunday, Oct. 27, at the Fairfax Corner Shopping Center.

The 1K fun run starts at 8:30 a.m.; the 5K race, at 9 a.m.; and the 5K walk, at 9:10 a.m.

There's fun for the whole family with a moonbounce, hot dogs, popcorn and a band. Many of the participants and those cheering them on wear Halloween costumes, and prizes are given to the best costumes.

Proceeds go to the John Quadrino Foundation to Benefit Children with Cancer. Rain or shine, the race begins and ends in front of Coastal Flats restaurant. Registration and entry-fee information are at http:// www.goblingallop.org/race.html.

♦ Nov. 8-9 and Nov. 15-16— Woodson High's thespians will present "Into the Woods," on Friday-Saturday, Nov. 8-9 and Nov. 15 - 16.

Nov. 8-10—The Northern Virginia Christmas Market craft show returns to the Dulles Expo Center, Friday-Sunday, Nov. 8-10. Hours are Friday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Nov. 9—The 21st annual Holiday Happenings Craft Show will be held Saturday, Nov. 9, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., at W.T. Woodson High School, 9525 Main St. in Fairfax.

Nov. 14-16—Robinson Secondary's theater students present "Little Shop of Horrors," Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 14-16, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. See www.RobinsonDrama.org.

Nov. 16-17—The 27th annual City of Fairfax Holiday Craft Show is slated for Saturday, Nov. 16, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; and Sunday, Nov. 17, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., at Fairfax High School, 3501 Rebel Run in Fairfax.

Nov. 21-24—Paul VI High's thespians will present a spoof of "A Christmas Carol" called "A Dickens Christmas Carol: A Travelling Travesty in Two Tumultuous Acts." Show times are Thursday, Nov. 21, at 7 p.m.; Friday-Saturday, Nov. 22-23, at 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday, Nov. 24, at 2 p.m.

Nov. 22-24—Fairfax High theater students present "Almost, Maine," Friday-Saturday, Nov. 22-23, at 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday, Nov. 24, at 2:30 p.m. Ticket information is at www.fxplayers.org.

✤ Dec. 7—The annual Clifton

Christmas Parade on Horseback, Christmas-tree lighting ceremony and homes tour is set for Saturday, Dec. 7. The parade begins at 2 p.m.

♦ Dec. 13-15 and Dec. 20-22— Encore Theatrical Arts Project's song-and-dance extravaganza, "Switching Christmas," takes the stage at NOVA's Annandale campus. Performances are Dec. 13-15 and Dec. 20-22. Tickets are \$18, students and senior citizens; and \$22, adults, for this colorful, family-friendly show and may be purchased at http://www.encoretap.org/.

♦ Dec. 13-15—The Sugarloaf Crafts Festival is set for Friday-Sunday, Dec. 13-15, at the Dulles Expo Center. Hours are Friday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

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# FPYC Cross Country **Holds** Competition

bout 246 children ages 5-16 took part in the Banks Invitational, in honor of the program founder, Fairfax. As part of National Running Day on Friday, cross country clubs from Bethesda, SYA in Centreville, St. Rita's in Arlington and the Dale City Track Club joined in the competition. Runners received ribbons and badges in the following categories: 6-U is a 1K, 7-8 is a 2K, 9-10 is a 3K, 11-12 is a 3K, 13-14 is a 4K, and 15-Plus is a 5K. The FPYC Club holds the Peter

FPYC Cross Country Race on Sunday after and competes each weekend through Nov. 3; the postnoon at Daniels Run Elementary School in season extends until Dec. 14. The long-term director is Gary Sidor, who along with head coach Dennis Harrison, have been key to the program's success for years. Some of the FPYC's alumni includes Macey Schweikert of Robinson; Luke Sharkey of Robinson; Alex McGuire of Woodson and Lauren Berman of Robinson. The next race is Oct. 6 from 1:30-4 p.m. at Van Dyke Park in Fairfax.

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# FALL FUN

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- Tony Arnold, Soprano. 8 p.m. Fairfax Symphony Orchestra, 3905 Railroad Ave., Fairfax. The award-winning soprano presents Haydn's "Symphony No. 60, 'Il Distratto,'' Stravinsky's "Pulcinella Suite," and the world premiere of Theofanidis's "Ordo Virtutem." Price to be determined. 703-563-1990 or www.fairfaxsymphony.org/

#### SUNDAY/OCT. 27

- Spookfest. Time TBD, at Buffa's Dance Studio, 9570 Burke Road, Burke. A Halloween party with dancing, games, crafts, a haunted house, costume contest, raffles, food, prizes and special guest characters. \$20 pre-sale, \$25 at the door, free for children. 703-425-5599 or www.buffas.com/
- Fall Festival and Trunk or Treat Celebration. 5-8 p.m., at King of Kings, 4025 Kings Way, Fairfax. King of Kings Lutheran Church and Preschool is hosting a neighborhood fall festival with activities for the entire family. There will be a moon bounce, food, hot cider, games and prizes, a maze, a bake sale, face painting, story time, crafts, a costume parade, pumpkin decorating and more, followed by a Trunk or Treat for the children at sundown. 703-378-7272, ext. 225 or jhangen@kofk.org.

#### THURSDAY/OCT. 31

Passion Pit w/ Joy Formidable. 8 p.m. at the Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Circle, Fairfax. Massachusetts based indie pop band plays songs from their newest album, "Gossamer." Price TBD. http://patriotcenter.com/.

#### SATURDAY/NOV. 2

Irish Chamber Orchestra. 8 p.m., at GMU Center for the Arts, 4400 University Ave., Fairfax. Sir James , renowned flutist of Ireland, performs with the orchestra, under the baton of JoAnn Falletta. \$37.50-\$75; half off for youth through grade 12. 888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu



Mariza will perform her modernized interpretation of fado, the ancient Portuguese genre which translates as "fate" or "destiny," at the GMU's Center for the Arts Friday, Oct. 18, at 8 p.m.

#### SUNDAY/NOV. 10

Jeffrey Siegel's "The Glory of Beethoven." 7 p.m., George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, MS 2F5, Fairfax. The acclaimed pianist

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# Fall Fun

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performs Beethoven's compositions as part of his Keyboard Conversations series. \$19-\$38, Mason ID permits 1 free ticket on Oct. 29. cfa.gmu.edu.

#### SATURDAY/NOV. 16

**Carrie Koffman, Saxophone**. 8 p.m. Fairfax Symphony Orchestra, 3905 Railroad Ave., Fairfax. The internationally renowned saxophonist performs Grieg's "Peer Gynt: Suite No. 1," Larry Alan Smith's "Concerto for Soprano Saxophone and Strings," and Rachmaninov's "Symphonic Dances." Price to be determined. 703-563-1990 or www.fairfaxsymphony.org/.

#### WEDNESDAY/NOV. 27

The Fresh Beat Band, 6:30 p.m., at the Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Circle, Fairfax. The band from the Nick Jr. series of the same name performs. \$46.70-\$165. http:// patriotcenter.com/.

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- Saturday Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-1 p.m., at the parking lot at the intersection of West and Main Streets behind Wells Fargo Bank in Fairfax. Every Saturday there is fresh produce, goods and wares at the market. church@sovgracefairfax.org or www.FairfaxSaturdayMarket.com.
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- Fairfax Mosaic Wednesday Night Freshbikes Rides. 6:30 p.m., at Fairfax Mosaic Freshbikes, 2910



Sir James , renowned flutist of Ireland, performs at GMU's Center for the Arts with the Irish Chamber Orchestra Saturday, Nov. 2, at 8 p.m., under the baton of JoAnn Falletta.

- District Ave., Fairfax. Weekly bike rides leave from the Fairfax Mosaic store, the newest addition to the Freshbikes family of stores in the
- area. www.freshbikescycling.com. Northern Virginia Shag Club. 6:30-10 p.m., at the Elks Lodge Fairfax, 8421 Arlington Blvd., Fairfax. Dance for two hours every Wednesday with free beginner lessons starting at 7:30 p.m. and dancing preceding and following; no partners needed. \$4. www.nvshag.org.
- Join Jewish War Veterans of the USA. The Burke Post E 100 at 5712 Walnut Wood, Burke, invites Jewish veterans and service members to join. 703-209-5925.
- NVSC Dance. 6:30-10:30 p.m., at the Elks Lodge, 8421 Arlington Blvd., Fairfax. Beginner lessons at 7:30 p.m. and a buffet dinner preceding from 6:45-8 p.m.; cash bar available. No partners needed. \$4; \$5 additional for buffet dinner. www.nvshag.org.



The Cast of the Providence Players of Fairfax production of "Little Shop of Horrors": From left—Audrey Suarez, Toby Nelson, Glen Bartram, Tom Mirenda, Matt Williams, Mike Khatcheressian, Shanise Jones, Becca Harney.

# A Show That 'Rocks'

Providence Players of Fairfax open 16th season with musical, "Little Shop of Horrors."

> By David Siegel The Connection

#### ith fresh faces, the Providence Players open the theater season with only the second musical the company has done in its 16 years. It is the brash, bright, delightfully dark musical comedy, "Little Shop of Horrors."

"It was time for us to do a musical, our audiences have asked us to do one that will bring smiles. And, I have wanted to do this show for quite a while," said Chip Gertzog, director of "Horrors." "We had an open audition call and attracted so many talented newcomers appearing in the cast."

"Little Shop of Horrors" is a take-off of those delightful 1950's horror films often seen on television around Halloween. It is totally tongue-incheek. It follows the misadventures of Seymour, a nebbish floral assistant who craves for the girl of his dreams, and escaping his lonely life. He discovers an exotic plant with a peculiar appetite, becoming a sensation. But strange things happen as the plant, "Audrey II" grows and grows. Then, choices must be made, similar to selling one's soul to the Devil.

"Little Shop of Horrors" is by composer Alan Menken and writer Howard Ashman. It is one of the longest-running off-Broadway shows of all time.

To Susan Kaplan, assistant director, the production has a great combination of cast and crew to make the complex singing, choreography, live music and technical details come together. "It is a fast paced, energetic, good fun show."

"It rocks" is how Madalaine Vander-Linden, the musical director, describes the "Horrors" score. She is a veteran in the area working with the Aldersgate Church Community Theater. She has



Matt Williams as Seymour and Shanise Jones (Chiffon), Becca Harney (Crystal), and Audrey Suarez (Ronnette) in the Providence Players of Fairfax production of "Little Shop of Horrors."

#### Where and When

Providence Players of Fairfax present "Little Shop of Horrors" at James Lee Community Center Theater, Falls Church. Performance dates and times: Thursday, Friday and Saturday 7:30 p.m. Oct. 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18 & 19, Saturday & Sunday matinees 2 p.m., Oct. 6, 12 & 13. Tickets: \$20-\$23. Call 703-425-6782 or visit: www.providenceplayers.org. Note: This show contains some strong language.

put together a driving, up-beat, seven-piece band. At a recent rehearsal Vander-Linden riffed some of the score filling the theater with great echoes of sound.

Newcomer Becca Harney, GMU, 2011, plays Crystal, one of the three downtown girl group singers reminiscent of the "Bop sh-bop" groups of the early 1960s. "It's a delightful dark musical played with such a big smile. We all just love to sing the great tunes."

Mike Khatcheressian, West Springfield High School, 1993, first saw the show 25 years ago as his Uncle was featured in "Horrors" as Mushnik. It turned him on to the musical theater. Now, he gets to play the same role, "a great thrill" for him. The voice role of the rather ill-tempered Audrey II plant goes to Tom Mirenda, a real life botanist with the Smithsonian.

#### GMU's 15th Fall for the Book Festival Brings Acclaimed Authors

Catch the tail end of this year's Sept. 22-27 15th annual Fall for the Book Festival put on by George Mason University. The milestone decade-and-a-half mark demands one of the festival's finest line-ups of authors ever.

The Auld Shebeen — Storytelling with Better Said Than Done, Thursday, 7 p.m.

The Old Firestation 3 — Poets Carmen Calatayud, Donna Lewis Cowan, Shara Lessley, and Joseph Ross, Friday 8 p.m.

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute — Historian Ronald Spector, Friday, 1 p.m. See more at www.fallforthebook.org.



Neil Gaiman accepted the Mason Award at last year's fall for the Book Festival—and previewed for the first time his novel-in-progress, "The Ocean at the End of the Lane."

### Sports

# Henderson Leads Lake Braddock To Comeback Win Over Westfield

Bruins tight end Antonellis has big pass-catching performance.

By Jon Roetman The Connection aleb Henderson's voice had nearly vanished when he declined to be interviewed after Friday's contest against Westfield. A few minutes later, with the help of a cough drop, the Lake Braddock quarterback returned to answer questions.

During the game, Henderson had to overcome a different ailment to lead his team to victory.

Despite suffering from cramps in his hamstrings and calves during the second half, Henderson led Lake Braddock on a 72-yard scoring drive in the game's closing minutes, capped by a 20-yard touchdown pass to AJ Alexander that lifted the Bruins to a 28-24 victory over Westfield on Sept. 20 at Lake Braddock Secondary School.

Playing for the first time on their new turf field, the Bruins beat a Westfield program that finished region runner-up the last two years and hadn't lost a regular season game since October of 2010. Lake Braddock improved to 3-0 in 2013, including road wins against rival Robinson and perennial power Stone Bridge.

What does it mean to open the season with three tough victories?

"The first thing that comes to me is never schedule these three teams again," Lake Braddock head coach Jim Poythress said. "The second thing is that we have a pretty good football team ... a team that could really make a run in the playoffs. But ... if we don't improve, we'll be one and done."

Westfield took a 24-21 lead when Dominique Pearson scored on a 3-yard run and the Bulldogs added a two-point conversion with 3:11 remaining in the fourth quarter. Lake Braddock started its ensuing drive at its own 28-yard line and Henderson moved the Bruins down the field in seven plays. Facing third-and-eight at the Westfield 20, Henderson found Alexander for the go-ahead touchdown.

Westfield drove to the Lake 16 \* Fairfax Connection \* September 26 - October 2, 2013



Westfield running back Tyler Thrasher-Walker carries the ball against Lake Braddock on Sept. 20.



Lake Braddock tight end Ryan Antonellis scores a touchdown against Westfield on Sept. 20.

final possession, but Bruins defensive back Timothy Coulter ended the threat with an interception.

Henderson, who is committed to the University of North Carolina, completed 15 of 25 passes for 243 yards and three touchdowns. It was Henderson's first victory in four games against Westfield, including a pair of losses against the Bulldogs as a sophomore at West Potomac. Last season, Henderson's first with Lake Braddock, the Bruins lost to Westfield, 49-29.

"I think he's come a long way in his two years here," Poythress said about Henderson. "To his credit, this kid's laying on the sideline in between drives completely cramped up. ... He was firing the rock. He stepped up and he wanted to win."

Henderson attributed his cramps to consuming a pregame energy drink.

We practice one-minute drills every day, [starters versus starters], we score almost every time," Henderson said. "The defense gets mad at us, but that's just the type of fire power we have on offense Braddock 33-yard line during its [and] that's the type of chemistry

I have with my receivers."

One of those receivers is Ryan Antonellis, a 6-foot-4, 230-pound tight end who finished with five catches for 132 yards and a score.

"I've never seen an athlete like Ryan," Henderson said. "You stick a linebacker on him, he'll run right by him. You stick a corner on him and he'll just go up and get it over the corner." During the Bruins' game-winning drive, Henderson connected with Antonellis for gains of 22 and 26 yards.

"He stepped up," Poythress said about Antonellis. "They kick on the lights, they're going to have this ribbon-cutting for the field, the media is here and it's a big game, and we wanted to see who would step up when they turned the lights on and he certainly did."

Lake Braddock running back Trevor O'Brien carried 15 times for 95 yards and a touchdown. Alexander had six catches for 55 yards and Sica finished with three receptions for 51 yards.

Lake Braddock will host Annandale at 7:30 p.m. on Friday. Sept. 27. Westfield will host Fairfax.



The Woodson field hockey team defeated West Potomac 3-0 on Sept. 24.

# Late Goals Propel Woodson to Victory

"We just ran

kept scoring."

West Potomac goalkeeper Hauptle plays well in defeat.

> By Jon Roetman The Connection

he Woodson field hockey team had struggled putting the ball in the cage in recent games and entered Tuesday's contest against West Potomac with hopes of scoring early and often.

same for the Cavaliers. having a hard time finishing," Woodson kept the ball at its of- Lightfoot said. "Once we fensive end for

nearly the entire contest and held a 17-2 advantage in out of time or penalty corners, but after 57 min-I think we utes, each team had a goose egg would have the on scoreboard.

After coming up

empty time and time again against West Potomac goalkeeper Eve

Hauptle, Woodson's Andrea Pasierb finally scored with 2:35 remaining, triggering a late goal-scoring burst.

Alex Lightfoot and Sam Schaffer added goals in the final minute, giving the Cavaliers a 3-0 victory over West Potomac on Sept. 24 at W.T. Woodson High School.

keep shooting, you're going to there." score. That first one is just going to be tough," Woodson head coach Meg Jarrell said. "We said once you get the first one, they're going to just start piling up and they did.

"We just ran out of time or I think we would have kept scoring."

Lightfoot said "teamwork and communication" helped keep the Cavaliers from getting frustrated with their inability to score. Their persistence paid off with three goals in the final 155 seconds.

"We had the momentum most Initially, it was more of the of the game and we've been [started scoring],

I think it gave us even more momentum."

Part of the Cavaliers' goalscoring struggles had to do with West Potomac's Hauptle, who finished with 13 saves.

- Woodson field hockey coach Meg "I think our Jarrell junior goal-

keeper, Eve Hauptle, is one of the best in the region and she keeps us in a lot of games," West Potomac head coach Dana Hubbard said. "She's the reason that the score wasn't more (lopsided) than it

was. I think our defense stayed really tough, we were just unfortunate to have one go in and "Statistically, we said, you then everything fell apart from

> West Potomac (3-6) will travel to face Mount Vernon at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 26. Woodson will travel to face West Springfield at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 27.

### News



Participants ride in last year's VTV Gran Fondo fundraiser.

Photos contributed



Omar Samaha at a cycling event.

# Long-distance Cycling for Campus Safety

Gran Fondo to raise money, awareness for VTV Family Outreach Foundation.

By Bonnie Hobbs The Connection

ran Fondos are long-distance, group cycling rides that originated in Italy. And on Saturday, Oct. 5, the new Mosaic District in Fairfax will host the third annual VTV Gran Fondo for Campus Safety.

Presented by the VTV Family Outreach Foundation, it's open to both recreational and competitive bicyclists, who'll travel either 100- or 32-mile routes. Proceeds from the event will support VTV's mission to improve school safety across the nation and assist victims of mass tragedies.

Arlington's Omar Samaha, 29, will be among the participants, enjoying the ride with the VTV Cycling Team. But for him, it's also personal—his sister Reema, a 2006 Westfield High grad, was one of the students killed in the April, 16, 2007 shooting massacre at Virginia Tech. And he's dedicating his ride to her, to everyone affected by that tragedy and to all victims and survivors of gun violence across the U.S.

"My sister was one of 32 innocent lives taken from us [that day]," he said. "These were our friends, sisters, brothers, parents and children. Our nation's universities and schools didn't seem like a safe place, anymore, so the families and survivors of the Virginia Tech shooting bonded together after the tragedy and created a [nonprofit] foundation dedicated to making our schools safer so others would never have to endure the same pain."

**THE OCT. 5 EVENT** is open to the public and includes food trucks, boutique vendors,

Cousins Tommy Fadoul and Omar Samaha are co-chairing the Oct. 5 event.

music and entertainment near the finish line. Spots are available for additional vendors on a first-come basis. And if the VT football game is televised that day, it'll be shown on Mosaic's 40-foot, outdoor Jumbotron.

The 100-mile ride to Quantico starts at 8:30 a.m., and the 32-mile ride to Burke Lake begins at 2 p.m., near the registration tent by Fresh Bikes. Both routes start and finish in the Mosaic District at 2910 District Ave. in Merrifield.

Charitable entry fees are 100 miles, \$80; 32 miles, \$60; students, 50-percent off; first-responders, 25-percent off. Cost includes refreshments, a dinner ticket at the post-ride festival, entertainment and a commemorative T-shirt. For more information and to register, go to www.VTVGranFondo.com.

"Our nation's universities and schools didn't seem like a safe place anymore, so the families and survivors of the Virginia Tech shooting bonded together after the tragedy and created a [nonprofit] foundation dedicated to making our schools safer so others would never have to endure the same pain." —Omar Samaha

Samaha and his cousin, Tommy Fadoul, are co-chairing the event, with help from Rene Cummings, Marjorie Castro and Brittany Tarzia. Previous VTV Gran Fondos were held in Blacksburg. But, said Samaha, "We wanted to bring it to this area because it's the foundation's home for cycling, and our friends and families are here, plus a lot of Hokie fans and alumni."

This location also enables those unable to travel to Blacksburg to participate. "We hope to have 100 total riders, and we've already nearly doubled last year's total participants," said Samaha. "We have people flying in from as far away as Denver and Miami."

Besides the VTV Cycling Team, also riding will be Monte Frank from Team 26 and the Sandy Hook Riders, known for their "Ride On Washington" in March in honor of the Sandy Hook shooting victims.

"Our annual Gran Fondo ride brings 21stcentury awareness around the rising, national challenges with school and campus safety," said Centreville's Joseph Samaha, Reema and Omar's father and the foundation's president. "Our plan is to expand this event into a National Campus Safety Awareness Day held in major cities and college campuses annually."

VTV's advocacy has also secured congressional support to fund a National Center for Campus Public Safety in 2014.

#### LEARN MORE at

www.VTVfamilyfoundation.org.

Meanwhile, Omar Samaha is getting ready for the upcoming Gran Fondo. "We started a cycling team a few years ago in the foundation's name to raise money for it, so we've been riding in several races," he said. "In the summer, we ride 50-70 miles almost every single weekend. But this event is the biggest fundraiser, and doing 100 miles is different. You feel the strain and fatigue during the final 30 miles, but we break it up with five rest stops, plus food and water. The 32-mile route has two rest stops."

Getting outside on a bike is "lots of fun," he said. "You're riding with friends, talking and enjoying each other's company. And at the Gran Fondo, you're doing it while raising money and awareness, so it's very community-oriented."

"We look forward to having everybody together and having a great ride for a great cause," continued Samaha. "We hope everyone can join us on that day to help support the foundation."

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# Schools



#### **Alexa Whitworth**

#### Alex Whitworth to Lead **Paul VI Girls Lacrosse**

Paul VI Catholic High School in Fairfax has chosen Alexandra Whitworth as their new head coach for girls' lacrosse. A graduate of Paul VI Class of 2003, coach Whitworth comes to PVI after serving the past four years as the head coach at McLean High School. She is also a successful coach with the SuperNova Select Lacrosse Club and previously spent one season as the JV head coach at WT Woodson High School.

Coach Whitworth has an impressive lacrosse playing background as well. She was an All-WCAC performer at PVI and helped lead the Panthers to the 2003 WCAC Championship in her senior year. Coach Whitworth went on to be a four-year starter at NCAA Division I George Mason University, where she was named to Colonial Athletic Association (CAA) All Rookie team in 2004, earned the CAA Commissioner's Academic Award four times, was named to the ICWLCA Academic Honor Roll each semester, and served as a team captain from 2005-2008. Whitworth taught 8th grade civics for five years in Fairfax County Public Schools and is a mother of two.

"Coach Whitworth is a perfect fit for us. She is a proven leader. Not only has she played and coached at high levels, she's a PVI alum who has done what many of our young ladies aspire to do in lacrosse, in school, and in their lives," said Paul VI Athletic Director Billy Emerson. "Her teaching record was a very important to us as well. She is an excellent role model for our student-athletes."

#### COMMENTARY

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50 percent of their income for housing costs.

The alliance applauds the Board of Supervisors and the Planning Commission for taking the time to provide additional information about the unmet housing needs for singles, and addressing community concerns in these workshops. We believe this is a good first step to having a broader conversation about housing affordability in Fairfax County, and we would urge the county public affairs office, and the offices of the supervisors to become more engaged in disseminating information and providing opportunities for dialogue on this question.

Fairfax County is a large, diverse, urbanizing county with a population of 1.1 million people, and it is appropriate that county leaders adopt policies that address the needs of lower income single households (many of whom make up our workforce). In doing so, we encourage solutions that balance the legitimate concerns of neighborhoods with the equally legitimate need to address housing affordability in the county.

Michelle Krocker is executive director of the Northern Virginia Affordable Housing Alliance, a broad based regional organization dedicated to the creation of successful communities through affordable housing education and advocacy.



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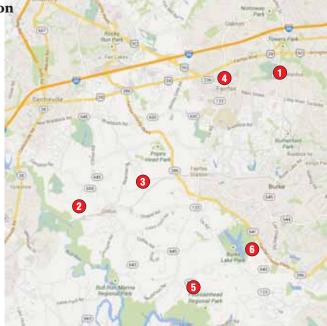


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