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Reston Community Orchestra Holds Season Finale

Concert features two young pianists.

BY RYAN DUNN
THE CONNECTION

The afternoon of Sunday, May 18, at Reston Community CenterStage, the Reston Community Orchestra (RCO) preformed their final concert of the 2013-2014 with a performance featuring two young pianists. Pianists Mark Dang and Matthew Geier performed Haydn's "Piano Concerto in D Major." The program also included Grieg's "Peer Gynt Suite #2" and selections from "Forest Gump."

Conducting the orchestra was Dingwall Fleary, a maestro who has directed Reston Community Orchestra for 16 years.

"I am a firm believer that all communities in our nation's cities and towns are fortunate when there are talented youth within them who yearn to be involved in wholesome activities," said Fleary. "When those young people are identified they ought to be showcased, not only to encourage and reinforce their skills, but more importantly to be examples to other youngsters, whether the talent be with music, art, writing, theater, dancing, or even sports." A native of St. Louis, Fleary is also conductor of the The McLean Symphony, which he has been founding music director since its inception in 1972.

Mark Dang started learning music with Maestro Fleary since the age of 4 at Kiddie Country Learning Center. By the age of 6, he began taking private piano lessons with Dr. Carol Ann Barry. Since then Dang has been participating in county and state-wide piano festivals. He won Best Intermediate Repertoire, and Most Improved Intermediate Musicianship 2011 at the Barry Studio of Piano. Dang is currently pursuing piano lessons with Sarah H. Mbi at Keys to Creativity Music Studio. "It was my very first time in an orchestra," said Dang. "I was really excited."

Matthew Geier, 13, is an eighth grade home-schooled student who resides in Springfield. He began piano lessons at the age of eight at the studio of his current and only instructor, Sarah H. Mbi. Matthew has performed in a vari-



The season final show for the Reston Community Orchestra was held in May at Reston Community CenterStage. Reston Community Orchestra is an all volunteer ensemble devoted to music and the community.



Mark Dang and Matthew Geier both performed on the piano during the concert.

ety of local music festivals, as well as in recitals ranging from solos to orchestra accompaniments. While he enjoys playing a wide variety of music, his favorite composers are J.S. Bach and Joseph Haydn. In addition to piano, Matthew takes violin lessons. "It was a good concert, I really enjoyed it," said Matthew.

"Fleary is amazing with people of all ages, a wonderful communicator," said Linda Geir, Matthew's mother. "This has been an amazing experience for students to play with other musicians." Fleary started the tradition of bringing local youth soloists to the final show of the season since he joined Reston Community Orchestra. Founded in 1988, the RCO is an all volunteer ensemble devoted to music and the community. Reston founder Robert "Bob" Simon also attended the Sunday concert.

"I firmly believe that if more attention were given to exposing and nurturing children's participation in, and appreciation of the fine arts during their formative

years, they will grow up and pass along their positive experience to their offspring," stated Fleary. "Because of my position as the conductor and director of symphony orchestras in Reston and elsewhere, I am delighted to be able to shine the spotlight on budding young talents such as Mark Dang and Matthew Geier.

The concert the Reston Community Orchestra just presented was fun for the musicians, and hopefully provided the boys and the audience an experience they'll remember for the rest of their lives." "It is really motivating for the kids to play at this concert," said music instructor Sarah Mbi, a resident of Arlington.

"This was a nice reunion for everyone to get together." RCO will hold Summer Readings and open rehearsals on July 21 and 28, and Aug. 4 and 11 at 7:30 p.m. at Sunset Hills Montessori.

The RCO will hold their 2014-2015 season opener on Nov. 16. For more information on the RCO visit restoncommunityorchestra.org.



Music instructor Sarah Mbi, a resident of Arlington, attended the concert to cheer on her students Mark Dang and Matthew Geier.



Three new promotions were celebrated at a ceremony last week.

Three Promoted at HPD New police captain named.

BY REENA SINGH
THE CONNECTION

A short ceremony last week dedicated three town officers to their new positions as the highest-ranking officers at the Herndon Police Department.

A new Sergeant, Lieutenant and Captain were promoted during an intimate ceremony on May 21 at the Herndon Council Chambers.

"As we all know, cops like comfort," said HPD Chief Maggie DeBoard. "They like routine and they like control. One of the issues we always worry about routine is complacency. That is dangerous to an officer."

Before she awarded Sean Merritt a Sergeant badge, Si Ahmad a Lieutenant badge and Ron Thunman a Captain badge, she said the changes in their role at the police department will bring changes in expectation. With those changes, she noted, come personal and professional growth.

DeBoard thanked the families and friends - the wives, children, parents and colleagues that have stood by the side of the officers who have been promoted as well as the rest of the officers.

"Whether you realize it or not, you play a tremendous role in the lives of these officers every day," she said. "We know how it affects the officers that don't get that support."

The first to be awarded, Sergeant Merritt, received a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from Radford University in 1998 and joined the police department in 1999, according to an introduction by HPD Public Information Officer Lieutenant Jim Moore.

Merritt was promoted to Cor-

poral position in 2011 after about five years in the patrol section and about six in the traffic section.

"I feel excited," he said after the ceremony. "I'm supporting a new chapter in my career. I feel honored."

Lieutenant Ahmad joined the police department in 1995 and received a Bachelor's degree in Administration of Justice in 2002 and a Master's degree in Education in 2006 from George Mason University, according to Lieutenant Moore's introduction.

He served as a Youth Crimes Detective for two years before being promoted to Corporal in 2002. Between all the promotions leading to his position as Lieutenant, he has served as a narcotics detective for the Fairfax County Narcotics Unit, supervised a patrol squad on the midnight shift and was responsible for police department projects like the "Click it or Ticket" statewide initiative.

Multiple generations of his family came to the ceremony to support him and celebrate his promotion.

"It's overwhelming," he said. "I appreciate the opportunity from the chief and Herndon. I've been here for 19 years, but it feels like it was just yesterday. I'll be proud to serve our department."

Captain Ron Thunman is replacing recently retired Larry Presgrave. Thunman joined the department in 1981 and received a Bachelor's degree in Sociology in 1986 and a Master's degree in English in 2003 from George Mason University, according to Lieutenant Moore's introduction.

He has served as a member of the HPD Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team,

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On Memorial Day American Legion Post 184 hosted a Memorial Day observance at Herndon Chestnut Grove Cemetery to commemorate Memorial Day.



Town of Herndon councilmember David Kirby with councilmember Sheila Olem, Colonel Milford Beagle, and councilmember Grace Wolf at Herndon Chestnut Grove Cemetery.

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Herndon Honors the Fallen

Annual Memorial Day event held at Chestnut Grove Cemetery.

BY RYAN DUNN
THE CONNECTION

Residents of Herndon and local dignitaries gathered at Chestnut Grove Cemetery Monday, May 26, to commemorate Memorial Day. The annual ceremony featured members of the American Legion, Herndon High School Naval JROTC and guest speaker Colonel Milford H. Beagle, Jr. of the US Army.

Local Boy Scout packs from the Powhatan District which covers northwest Fairfax County were also there to attend the event. “It is our civic duty to come out and remember the fallen,” said Herndon resident and scoutmaster Roger Claff. Claff was attending the event with his wife Ellen and scouts from Boy Scout Troop 1570.

Herndon councilmember and commander of American Legion Post 184 David Kirby welcomed everyone to the event. “We remember those who are no longer with us because of their sacrifice for freedom,” said Kirby. “This is why Memorial Day is so important, we honor men and women who lost their lives serving from the War for Independence to the War on Terrorism... Americans must remember freedom is not free.”

Guest speaker Colonel Beagle gave a brief presentation on Memorial Day. Beagle entered into the US Army in 1990 after being commissioned as Infantry officer. “If I were to ask you what you forgot today, what would your answer be?” asked Beagle. “If you were asked what you would remember what would your answer be?” These questions built into Beagle’s message that the idea of Memorial Day was something the public could continue every day of the week. Also attending the event were Beagle’s family. “This is the highlight of my day for me and my family,” said Beagle. Colonel Beagle has had multiple deployments to Iraq and

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Members of the Herndon High School Naval JROTC participated as part of the color guard for the Memorial Day observance at Herndon Chestnut Grove Cemetery.

American Legion Post 184 legionnaire Eric Claunch performed a sounding of “taps” at Herndon Chestnut Grove Cemetery to commemorate Memorial Day.



Afghanistan, and this June will take command of the 193rd Infantry Brigade. Both Colonel Beagle and Post Commander Kirby laid wreaths on the graves of unknown soldiers at the cemetery, and Post 184 legionnaire Eric Claunch performed a sounding of “taps.” “Today’s ceremony reminds us of the importance of service and how many have made the ultimate sacrifice to preserve our freedom,” stated Town of Herndon Councilmember Grace Han Wolf. “As today’s speaker said, we need to honor and remember our military service members and their families every day, not just on Memorial Day.” Also attending the event was Herndon councilmember Sheila Olem and Jennifer Baker who will be assuming position of Herndon Vice Mayor.

Members of the Herndon Naval Junior ROTC helped prepare the annual Avenue of Flags in the cemetery. The major road was lined with 60 American flags, casket flags on loan from families of deceased veterans. Chestnut Grove Cemetery, located at 831 Dranesville Road in Herndon, is a community heritage resource, providing 25 acres as an active historic cemetery. “The turnout was fantastic,” said Herndon resident Richard Downer who attended the morning event. “Everyone did a wonderful job.” The American Legion, sometimes referred to as simply The Legion, is a veterans organization providing financial, social, and emotional support to members of the United States Armed Forces, veterans, and their dependents. To learn more about the American Legion and local chapters, visit www.legion.org.

“It is our civic duty to come out and remember the fallen.”

— Herndon resident and scoutmaster Roger Claff

Some Good News and a Lot of Uncertainty

Realtors discuss the mortgage market at finance summit.

BY ANDREA WORKER
THE CONNECTION

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

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

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

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

VIEWPOINTS

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

— ANDREA WORKER

Margaret Ireland, Associate Broker, Weichert

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



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

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



Andy Krumholz, Keller Williams Reston

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



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

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

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

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

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

THE PROGRAM'S FINAL SPEAKER

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

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

FARMERS MARKETS

SATURDAYS

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

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

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

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

SUNDAYS

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

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

WEDNESDAYS

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

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

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

THURSDAYS

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

FRIDAYS

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

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

Promoted At HPD

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criminal investigation detective and Emergency Management Coordinator. He also is a FBI National Academy graduate and is a Northern Virginia Community College adjunct professor.

Thunman said it will be tough to replace Presgrave, who had served the department for more than 40 years.

"I'm very excited about working with the officers," he said. "I'll be on the support services side as the Commander."

An officer will be promoted to Corporal in the fall.

Ron Thunman, left, was promoted to Herndon Police Captain.



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OPINION

New Measure: More Living in Poverty

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

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

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

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

Taking into consideration the high cost of

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

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

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

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

Father's Day Photos

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

— MARY KIMM,

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EDITORIALS

COMMENTARY

A Moral Imperative

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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CALENDAR

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FRIDAY, MAY 30

Wine Tasting. 4 - 6 p.m. Walker Nature Center, 11450 Glade Drive, Reston. Adults 55 and older. Enjoy an evening of wine tasting in a beautiful setting. Sample red and white wines along with a variety of cheese and crackers. The evening includes a tour of the nature center's gardens and ADA accessible trail. Look for spring wildflowers, as well as birds and insects that are sampling their own sweet "ambrosia". Reservations required by May 27. Fee: \$10/person RA members · \$14/person non-members. For more information or to register, email Ashleigh@reston.org or 703-435-6530.

SATURDAY/MAY 31

Raul Midón. 8 p.m., at The Centerstage, Reston Community Center Hunters Woods. Blind since infancy, Midón uses his songwriting and musical talents to shatter stereotypes while establishing himself as one of music's most distinctive and searching voices. \$20 Reston/\$40 Non-Reston. www.restoncommunitycenter.com or 703-476-4500.

Jimmy Gaudreau & Moondi Klein. 7:30 p.m. Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1090 Sterling Road, Herndon. Jimmy Gaudreau & Moondi Klein have been a part of the bluegrass music scene for several decades and have played individually, and together, in some of the very top bands of the genre. Admission: \$15. <http://www.jimmyandmoondi.com/>

Food Wars. 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. Frying Pan Farm Park, 2709 W Ox Road, Herndon. Come to Frying Pan Farm Park to catch and identify animals that help plants grow and discover how plants dominate their territory. The cost is \$20 with a kit and \$6 without one. Register online. For information, call 703-437-9101. http://parktakes.fairfaxcounty.gov/rev1_quickresult.asp?category2=9999&subject=Food+Wars&facility2=M282&age=9999&day=9999

The Self-Sustaining Gardener. 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. . Frying Pan Farm Park, 2709 W Ox Road, Herndon. Join us at Frying Pan Farm Park and learn the holistic approach to growing healthy and productive food plants year after year. The cost is \$20 with a kit and \$6 without one. Register online. For information, call 703-437-9101. http://parktakes.fairfaxcounty.gov/rev1_quickresult.asp?category2=9999&subject=Sustaining&facility2=M282&age=9999&day=9999

MONDAY/JUNE 2

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

FRIDAY/JUNE 6

Friday Night Live! Gonzo's Nose. 6:30- 10:30 pm. Town Green Herndon, 777 Lynn St, Herndon. Gonzo's Nose is the most popular party band in the national capitol area, bringing solid musicianship to a massive setlist of cover songs, which range from the early '80s until songs that hit the radio just yesterday. Free. 703-481-6133.



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Nora Palka as Little Red Ridinghood in NextStop Theater Company's 'Into the Woods.' Playing at the Industrial Strength Theatre, 269 Sunset Park Drive, Herndon, through June 1; Thursday-Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays 2 p.m. & 7 p.m.

SATURDAY/JUNE 7

D-DAY 70th Anniversary: From Normandy to the Battle of the Bulge. 2 p.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Relive the Normandy Campaign and the Battle of the Bulge in this slide presentation narrated by local historian Jim Lewis. Teens and adults. Free.

Relay for Life. 1 p.m. Herndon Middle School, Locust St, Herndon. 703-938-5550.

SATURDAY/JUNE 7-SATURDAY JUNE 21

Flea Market at Lake Fairfax. 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Lake Fairfax Park, 1400 Lake Fairfax Drive, Reston. You never know what you may find at the Saturday flea market, from home furnishings to other treasures. Free for shoppers. \$25 for vendors. 703-471-5416.

SUNDAY/JUNE 8

SpeakeasyDC's Born This Way: Stories About Queer Culture in America. 3 p.m., at The Centerstage, Reston Community Center Hunters Woods. One of the region's premiere storytelling theatres presents an adults only afternoon of entertaining and thought-provoking true stories that showcase a range of perspectives from the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered (LGBT) community. \$15 Reston/\$30 Non-Reston. www.restoncommunitycenter.com or 703-476-4500.

Women's Golf Month Free Clinic. 12-1:30 p.m. Herndon Centennial Golf Course, 909 Ferndale Ave, Herndon. 703-471-5769.

THURSDAY/JUNE 12- JUNE 28

Take a Break Concert Series. 7-9 p.m. Lake Anne Plaza, 11404 Washington Plaza W, Reston. On Thursdays, take a break with this outdoor concert series at Lake Anne Plaza. Free.

FRIDAY/JUNE 13

Friday Night Live! Burnt Sienna. 6:30-10:30 p.m. Town Green Herndon, 777 Lynn St, Herndon. Burnt Sienna is a five-piece cover rock band, delivering their show with a high-energy party approach. Popular songs from '80s to present. Free. 703-481-6133.

Taste of Reston 2013. 3-11 p.m. Reston Town Center, 11811 Freedom Dr, Reston. Taste of Reston is the largest outdoor food festival in the area, with two days of restaurants and community vendors, live entertainment on three stages, a carnival, the Family Fun Zone! And our Wine 'n Dine area. Free. 703-707-9045.

SATURDAY/JUNE 14

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12th Annual SENIOR Senior Prom. 2-4 p.m. St. Joseph's Hall, 750 Peachtree St, Herndon. The Rotary Clubs of Herndon and Reston welcome all aged 50 years or better. Wear prom attire or beach wear! RSVP to Oliver Chiropractic and Acupuncture at 703-904-8528 by June 11. Transportation can be provided if needed.

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF AN APPLICATION BY COLUMBIA GAS OF VIRGINIA, INC., FOR AUTHORIZATION TO EXTEND ITS GAS COST HEDGING PROGRAM CASE NO. PUE-2014-00032

On April 18, 2014, Columbia Gas of Virginia, Inc., ("CGV" or "Company"), filed an application ("Application") with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") for authorization to extend its Gas Cost Hedging Program, originally approved and modified in Case No. PUE-2005-00087 and reauthorized and amended thereafter.

Specifically, the Company is requesting that the Commission approve an extension to continue the purchase and sale of Futures Contracts through the 2018-2019 Winter Season at the current predetermined volumes relative to forecasted non-storage demand of retail sales customers for a Winter Season.

The Commission entered an Order for Notice and Comment that, among other things, ordered the Company to provide notice of their Application and provided interested persons an opportunity to comment or request a hearing on the Application.

Copies of the Application and the Commission's Order for Notice and Comment may be obtained by submitting a written request to counsel for CGV: Kristian M. Dahl, Esquire, McGuireWoods LLP, One James Center, 901 East Cary Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219-4030. If acceptable to the requesting party, the Company may provide the documents by electronic means. Copies of these documents also shall be available for interested persons to review in the Commission's Document Control Center, located on the first floor of the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Interested persons also may download unofficial copies from the Commission's website: <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case>.

On or before July 8, 2014, interested persons desiring to participate as a party in this proceeding shall file with the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth above an original and fifteen (15) copies of a notice of participation as a respondent pursuant to Rule 5 VAC 5-20-80 B of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. The notice of participation shall set forth: (i) a precise statement of the interest of the respondent; (ii) a statement of the specific action sought to the extent then known; and (iii) the factual and legal basis for the action. All filings shall refer to Case No. PUE-2014-00032.

On or before July 8, 2014, any interested person may file written comments on the Application with Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218-2118. On or before July 8, 2014, any interested person desiring to submit comments electronically may do so by following the instructions found on the Commission's website: <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/case>. All correspondence shall refer to Case No. PUE-2014-00032.

Any person may request a hearing on the Application by filing such request for hearing on or before July 8, 2014. If not filed electronically, an original and fifteen (15) copies of the request for hearing must be submitted to the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth above. Requests for hearing shall refer to Case No. PUE-2014-00032 and shall include: (i) a precise statement why a hearing should be conducted in this matter; and (ii) a precise statement why such issues cannot be addressed adequately in comments. Persons filing a request for hearing shall send a copy of the request to CGV's counsel at the address set forth above.

A copy of any written comments, request for hearing, and notice of participation shall simultaneously be sent to counsel for the Company: Kristian M. Dahl, Esquire, McGuireWoods LLP, One James Center, 901 East Cary Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219-4030.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure may be viewed at: <http://scc.virginia.gov/case>. A printed copy of the Rules of Practice and Procedure may be obtained from the Clerk of the Commission at the address set forth above.

COLUMBIA GAS OF VIRGINIA, INC.

SPORTS

The Langley men's varsity 4 won a state championship. Pictured from left: coach Mike Lehmann, Liam Fitzmorris, Alex Kiess, coxswain Charlie Bavisotto, John Waugh, and Owen Shenk.



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Langley Crew Collecting State, National Accolades

Saxons experiencing record-breaking 2014 season.

Medals. Trophies. Championships. The Langley High School crew team just wrapped up a record-breaking 2014 season at the Scholastic Rowing Association of America National Championship regatta on the waters of Mercer Lake, N.J. Langley qualified six separate boats for this top regatta, three of which advanced to the semifinals, and two boats — the women's varsity four and the men's varsity four — fought through all the tough competition to the finals.

The Langley varsity women placed second in the nation, the first time that Langley has medaled at nationals. The varsity men's four, with a ferocious charge in the final meters of its semifinal, placed fourth in the nation, earning a place by less than a second. Langley's formidable lightweight men's four finished seventh in the nation.

At the Virginia Scholastic Rowing Championship Regatta (states) on the Occoquan River on May 10, the Langley boats brought home six separate state championships. The Langley men's varsity four, women's varsity four, men's lightweight four, men's junior varsity eight, women's junior varsity four, and the men's 2nd four all took home championship trophies. The men's team also picked up the coveted men's team trophy — another first for the Saxons.

The Langley men's varsity 4 team finished fourth in the nation. Pictured are: Owen Shenk, John Waugh, Alex Kiess, Liam Fitzmorris, and coxswain Charlie Bavisotto.



The Langley women's varsity 4 finished second in the nation. Pictured from left: coxswain Sabrina Lamont, and rowers Meagan Fountain, Nirosha Beekhuysen, Stephanie Dubois, and Katie Robinson.

Langley's team is led by a talented group of coaches, including Ashley Leake, Josh Baum, Lindsey Churchill, Matt Fanny, Julie Sutliff, and head coach Mike Lehmann. Lehmann, who is a former U.S. Olympic team coxswain, will be leaving Langley to become the head crew coach for his alma mater, Notre Dame.

Langley Crew can be followed on Twitter, @LangleyCrew, and at langleycrew.com.

South Lakes Track Teams Win Liberty Conference Championships

Multiple victories by junior Delaney Wickman and senior Danielle Hale, record performances by the girls' 4x400 and 4x800 relay teams and top-three finishes by senior Khayri Denny paced South Lakes High School to victories in the Conference 6 outdoor track and field championships May 20-21 at SLHS.

The South Lakes girls finished with 168 points, followed by Washington-Lee (127), McLean (64.50), James Madison (55), Fairfax (46), Langley (34.50), Hayfield (17) and Yorktown (15). The SLHS boys scored 175 points, out-pacing McLean and James Madison, who tied for second with 80 points. Langley scored 65 followed by Washington-Lee (62), Hayfield (28), Fairfax (24) and Yorktown (13).

The top six finishers in the individual events and the top three team in the relays qualify for the Northern Region Championship, scheduled for May 29-30 at James Robinson Secondary School.

Wickman won the 100 meters (12.35), 200 meters (25.61) and 400 meters (58.67). She set a meet record in the 200 with a 25.42 in the preliminaries and has qualified for the region and state championships in all three events.

Danielle Hale won the discus (104-11) and the triple jump (37-05.50). She finished fourth in the shot (31-05.00), third in the long jump (16-09.00), teamed with freshman Nikayla Hoyte, juniors Comfort Reed and Jordan Lozama for second in the 4x100 (49.66) and was sixth in the 200 meters (27.10). Hale has qualified for the region championship in all those events as well as the high jump. Seniors Grace Gillen, Abigail Reinhold, junior Augusta Durham and sophomore Golden Kumi-Darfour won the 4x800 in a meet record 9:26.48. The previous mark of 9:29.37 was set by Stone Bridge in 2008. Gillen, who finished sec-

ond in the 400 (59.48), and Kumi-Darfour, runner up in the 800 meters (2:27.54), teamed with junior Claire Nieuwsma and freshman Devyn Jones for a 3:59.28 to win the 4x400, eclipsing the previous mark of 4:01.96 set in 2007 by WT Woodson.

Denny won the long jump (21-07.75), finished second in the triple jump (43-11.75), 100 meters (11.06) and 4x100 meter relay, where he teamed with seniors Ben O'Connor, Anthony Mayo and junior Brandon Terry for 44.65. Denny has qualified for region and state in the 100, 200, long jump and 4x100 relay as well as region in the triple jump.

Senior Daniel Johnsen anchored the winning 4x400 team of seniors Michael Kerr, Luis Rivas and junior Sam Arpee (3:24.42). He also won the 400 meters (49.57) and finished second in the 200 meters (22.71). Rivas (1:59.00) and Kerr (1:59.36) took the top two spots in the 800 meters. Arpee was third in the 400 meters (51.69). Kerr and Rivas also teamed with senior Michael Uhrig and sophomore John LeBerre for second place in the 4x800 (8:02.97).

Sophomore Eric Kirlew won the triple jump with a state qualifying distance of 44-04.50. He was also sixth in the 100 meters (11.62). Junior Nathan Stone finished second in the 110 meter high hurdles (15.70) and high jump (5-10).

The Seahawks dominated the girls' hurdle events with Devyn Jones winning the 100 meter hurdles in 15.8 and junior Maya Rodriguez finished second in 16.59. Rodriguez won the 300 meter hurdles (48.24) just ahead of teammate Claire Nieuwsma (48.26). Jones finished fifth in that race (49.55) and SLHS freshman Alivia Damper was sixth (50.22). Both Jones and Damper will compete in the 300 at region, giving SLHS four competitors in that event.

SPORTS ROUNDUPS

South Lakes GK Vigen Named Conference 6 POY

South Lakes goalkeeper Sara Vigen was named Conference 6 girls' soccer Player of the Year.

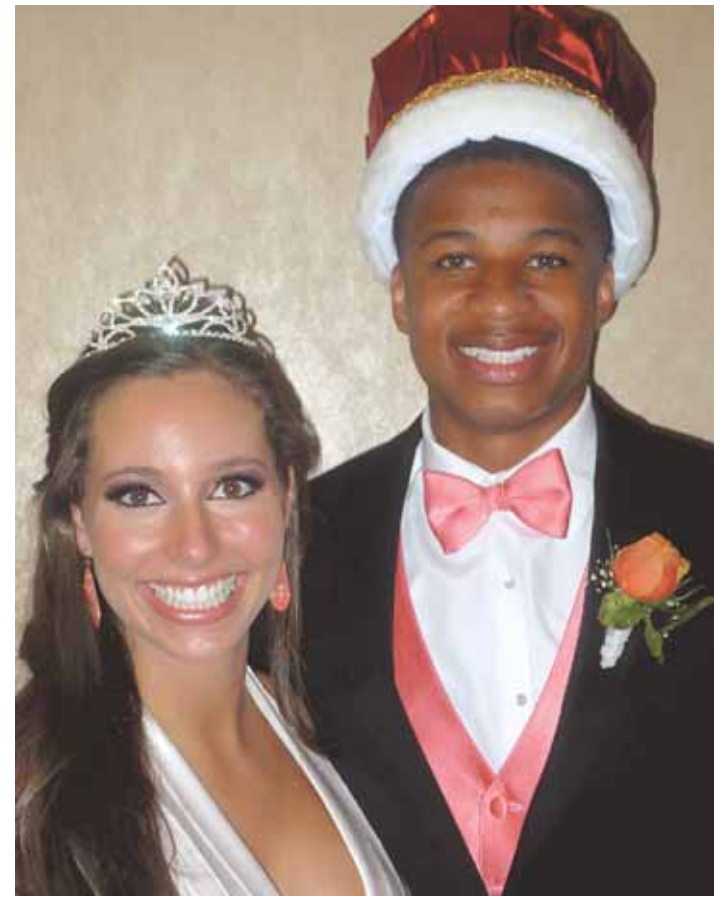
Vigen joined fellow Seahawks Ellen Gose (midfielder) and Meaghan Nally (defender) on the all-conference first team. Forward Caitlyn Christopher made the second team, while defender Gabby Alcantara, defender Lindsey Gibson, midfielder Elise Andrich, midfielder Brooke O'Donnell and forward Karen Reyes garnered honorable mention.

SCHOOL



Joining All County Chorus

Herndon Elementary School students Abbi Irwin, Claire Jonas, Caroline Potter, and Sara Toner were among 930 students from all over Fairfax County Public Schools participating in All County Chorus on April 25 and 26. The concert will be aired on Channel 21 throughout the spring and summer. The conductor, Josh Pedde, helped to create an unforgettable musical journey with the students, making the festival a fun experience.



Herndon High's Prom Queen and King

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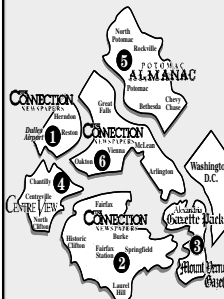
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Just as "everyone knows Geico can save you 15 percent in 15 minutes," that is, if you watch television, listen to radio, access the Internet or even sit on the beach at Ocean City and watch the single-engine planes flying by pulling banners; so too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

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

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

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

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THURSDAY/MAY 29

Reading Buddies. 4-4:45 p.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Dr, Reston. Reading Buddies encourages children to read in a fun, low-stress environment. Bring your own book or choose a book from the library. Call or sign up online for a 15-minute session. Ages 6-9. 703-689-2700. http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/rr/.

ESL Pronunciation & Speaking for Intermediate Students. 1 p.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Dr, Reston. Join Sandy's Thursday class. Adults.

FRIDAY/MAY 30

ESL for Beginners. 10 a.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Dr, Reston. Join Elayne's conversational group. Adults.

Let's Talk: ESL for Intermediate Students. 11 a.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Dr, Reston. Join Richard's conversational group. Adults.

Great Decisions Series. 2 p.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Dr, Reston. A roundtable discussions about the US foreign policy process. May's topic is Energy Independence. Discussion materials will be available two weeks before the event. Adults.

MONDAY/JUNE 2

American Heart Association CPR Anytime Class. 4:30, 5:30 or 6:30 p.m. Reston Hospital Center Medical Plaza, 1800 Town Center Drive, Suite 120, Reston. The classes are free but reservations are required by contacting Melinda Wieland at 703-689-9105 or melinda.wieland@hcahealthcare.com

ONGOING

Fairfax County's Meals on Wheels urgently needs drivers in the Annandale, Franconia/Kingstowne, Reston, Mount Vernon and McLean areas. 703-324-5406, TTY 711 or www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults.

Knitting Enthusiasts, Musicians Needed. 10:30 a.m.-noon, at Herndon Senior Center. Herndon Senior Center seeks a knitting enthusiast to teach basic procedures. Musicians to play soothing music on weekend mornings also needed. 703-324-5406, TTY 711, www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadult or VolunteerSolutions@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Habitat Heroes Project. The fourth Saturday of each month. Join the Habitat Heroes in protecting Reston's forests from aggressive plants and restoring them to their natural state. Wear long sleeves, long pants, and if possible, gardening gloves to protect from insects and dangerous plants. R.A. will provide tools, gloves, snacks, and water. To volunteer and find more information, contact habrock@reston.org or 703-435-7986.

Arabic-speaking Older Adult Social Visits. Fairfax County needs volunteers who speak Arabic to provide social visits to an elderly person in Reston for four hours per month. 703-324-5406, TTY 703-449-1186, VolunteerSolutions@fairfaxcounty.gov or www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/olderadultservices.

Long-Term Care Volunteer Ombudsman Program Needs Volunteers. Ombudsmen advocate for the rights of residents of nursing and assisted living facilities—they also help residents resolve conflict and improve their quality of life. 703-324-5861 TTY 711 or Lisa.Callahan@fairfaxcounty.gov.



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Herndon High band members and seniors Cameron Wilhelm, Holly Novak, band director Kathleen Jacoby, Kaitlyn Ernstmann and Madison Howell.



PHOTO BY HERNDON HIGH BAND

The Herndon High wind ensemble performed at the Spring Concert.

Herndon High Presents Spring Concert

Students display year's worth of progress.

BY RYAN DUNN
THE CONNECTION

On May 20 at Herndon High auditorium, the Herndon High school (HHS) band presented their final major band production for the school year. This event showcased work by the percussion, flute choir, sax choir, jazz band, symphonic band, and wind ensemble. "I am really proud of our seniors," said Kathleen Jacoby, HHS Band Director. "It was a culmination of all their work over the past year." Helping narrate the show was Herndon High senior Blake Morgan.

One of the songs performed was by the jazz band was composed by band member and senior student Sean Donald. The music suite for the concert band was made up of five numbers from the musical *Candide*, which was based off of Voltaire's political satire. That evening it was announced next April 22 the Herndon High marching band, *Pride of Herndon*, will be traveling to Disneyworld in Orlando, Fla. to march in the Magic Kingdom Parade and sight read music for a Disney movie track.

The band took time that evening to recognize student teacher Dan Edwards. A student of George Mason University, Edwards had nine weeks teaching experience at school locations including Herndon High. "He was really friendly with everyone and encouraged everyone to improve on their instruments," said junior Christine Horting who plays the trumpet. "My entire past semester has involved student teaching," said Edwards. "It was so great to be welcomed in such a loving community... I hope I will obtain a full time position teaching music education in Northern Virginia."

At the conclusion of the spring concert, a table was set with photos of the graduating seniors and information on their future



Herndon High band members and seniors Madison Howell, Tiberiu Baicoianu, and Sara Millar.

plans. "My biggest memories were the Hawaii trip," wrote senior Dasha Bradfield, referring to the December 2013 trip in which the *Pride of Herndon* marching band represented Virginia in the 2013 Pearl Harbor Memorial Parade. Bradfield also thanked Mrs. Jacoby and other staff for their encouragement and kindness.

In other news, the Herndon Wind Ensemble was invited to perform at the Virginia Music Educators Conference this fall. Only three high schools in the entire Commonwealth are asked to perform each year. Also The Herndon Council for the Arts has announced their 2014 Scholarship Winners, which include seniors Tiberiu Baicoianu,

Herndon High band members and seniors Cameron Wilhelm and Holly Novak with Herndon band director Kathleen Jacoby.



At the May Spring Concert student teacher Dan Edwards, a recent graduate from George Mason University, was recognized for his work with the band at Herndon High.

Blake Morgan and Ronan O'Day. This year each student was awarded \$1,125 to attend the high quality arts program to which they were accepted. The students were recognized by Mayor Lisa Merkel at the May 27 Town Council meeting.

Earlier in May was the annual Fairfax County Band Directors Association Competition, recognizing the top soloists in all of Fairfax. Herndon High sophomores secured two of the top three places. Recognition went to Jacob Reeves who won second place, performing the *Creston Concerto* on marimba, and Aimee Toner who won third place, performing *Poem* by Griffes on flute. Other upcoming Herndon High band events include the June 9 Band Awards Banquet. From Aug. 11 to Aug. 28 will be the Marching Band Camp.

To read more about Herndon High Band, visit herndonband.net.

Summer ²⁰¹⁴ Fun

Food Arts Entertainment

The Ben Phelps Project performs on the Depot Stage Saturday, June 2, 2013 at the Herndon Festival. This year's festival will be held May 29-June 1.



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Summer Fun Revisits Herndon

Traditional festivals, concerts and events planned this summer.

BY RYAN DUNN
THE CONNECTION

Herndon Festival

Lasting May 29 to June 1, the annual Herndon Festival will be a part of the largest free event in Northern Virginia. This award-winning event takes place in historic downtown Herndon at 777 Lynn Street. As always, there is no admission fee to enter the Herndon Festival.

In addition to carnival rides, the festival has other attractions including art and craft vendors and musical entertainment on three stages in downtown Herndon. The Council for the Arts of Herndon produces the Children's Hands-On-Art Area at the Herndon Festival on Saturday and Sunday. The Children's Hands-On Art Area will be located in the Kid's Alley at Station and Lynn Streets. The Children's Hands-On-Art tent will be filled with fun activities for children.

Another feature of the Herndon festival is the annual 10K and 5K race. A 10K and 5K race will be held on June 1. The race course goes through historic downtown Herndon during Herndon Festival weekend. Both the 10K and 5K courses are USATF certified. Awards are presented to the top two finishers from each age group from the 10 & under, to 70 & over. For more information on the Herndon Festival visit www.herndonfestival.net

Friday Night Live Concerts

The 20th season of Friday Night Live has a great music lineup. Concerts are held at downtown Herndon on Fridays on the Town Green. The Concerts are held May 2 to Aug. 22 and begin around 6:30 p.m. ending around 10:30 p.m. The Friday Night Live

concert series is free to attend and is almost always held unless rain forces them to cancel. Friday Night Live (FNL!) is one of the most popular outdoor concert series in the D.C. area. The concert has been ranked as a "Must See" for Fairfax County, and is recognized by the Virginia Tourism Corporation. For more information visit herndonrocks.com.

Music at Arrowbrook Park in June and July

Arrowbrook Management Corporation and Arrowbrook Centre, LLC are sponsoring Music at Arrowbrook Park concert series in celebration of this exceptional recreational facility's third full season of service to the public. The concert series will be on Saturday evenings from June to July. Through a partnership with the Fairfax County Park Authority, a series of concerts will be held at Arrowbrook Park. For last minute performance cancellations due to inclement weather, call 703-324-SHOW (7469) one hour prior to the program start time. Arrowbrook Centre Park Concert is made possible through the generous support of: The Ruth and Hal Lauenders Charitable Trust Arrowbrook Management Corporation Arrowbrook Centre, LLC. For more information visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performance

Playing on Saturday evenings throughout June and July at Arrowbrook Park:

June 21: Guy Mendilow Ensemble (World Music), June 28: Black 47 (Irish), July 5: The Back Roads Band (Country), July 12: The United States Army Blues (Jazz), July 19: The United States Air Force "Max Impact" (Light Classics/Pop), July 26: Big Daddy Stallings & The Bluez Evolution Band (Blues & Soul)

ArtSpace Herndon

Located at 750 Center Street, Herndon, the community art gallery ArtSpace Herndon will show the exhibit *Burnt Offerings* on display from June 3 to 29. Artist Ms. Norwood will be attending the Artist



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A worker with Williamsburg Winery Limited pours a sample of Midsummer Night's White wine at the 25th Herndon Labor Day Festival on Monday, Sept. 2, 2013.



In addition to carnival rides, the Herndon Festival offers a number of attractions including booths where crafts are available for purchase.

Reception on Saturday, June 7 from 7 to 9 p.m. This event is free and open to the public.

ArtSpace also hosts an annual art event called Paint Herndon. The event is scheduled Saturday, Sept. 20, and is an all-day celebration of the arts and the anniversary of the opening of ArtSpace Herndon. For more information visit www.artspaceherndon.com.

Towne Square Singers Concerts

On June 13, 14, and 15 the Towne Square Singers will present a celebration of the silver screen and Hollywood's greatest songs spanning eight decades. From the opening "reel" through a collection of classics, love songs, a quest for adventure, academy awards winners on to the "final reel", a tribute to movie history's most famous musical moments as we give our regards to Hollywood. This event reunites longtime directors Jean Goldsby and Harlon Reece.

Tickets are \$12 and the concerts will be held at NextStop Theatre at 269 Sunset Park Drive, Herndon. Tickets are available at the Herndon Community Center in person or

by calling 703-787-7300. Tickets purchased on Tuesday, June 10 - Friday, June 13 by phone will be available at the show. Remaining tickets will be available for each show at the door.

4th of July Fireworks

Friday, July 4 there will be a family-fun event featuring games, bingo, food face painting, balloon artists and more in Bready Park at the Herndon Community Center, 814 Ferndale Ave. At 6:30 p.m. face painting, balloon sculpturing, bingo and crafts begin, all for free! Festival foods will be available for sale. The fireworks show is choreographed to music and begins at dark, approximately 9:30 p.m.

Herndon Labor Day Festival

Herndon Labor Day Festival is scheduled Monday, Sept. 2, from 12-6 p.m. Herndon Town Green, 777 Lynn Street. The annual Labor Day Festival includes live music, a craft show, food, twelve wineries and micro-brews and culinary demonstrations.



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On June 13, 14, and 15 the Herndon Towne Square Singers will present a celebration of the silver screen and Hollywood's greatest songs.

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May

THROUGH JUNE 16

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

WEDNESDAYS THROUGH AUG. 6

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

THURSDAY-SUNDAY/ MAY 29-JUNE 1

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

FRIDAYS/MAY 30-JUNE 27

Vintage Crystal: Wine in the Water Park. 6-10 p.m. Across from 1750 Crystal Dr. Visit www.crystalcity.org for more.

FRIDAYS/MAY 30-AUG. 22

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

SATURDAY/MAY 31

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

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

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

SATURDAY/MAY 31-SUNDAY/JUNE 1

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

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

Clifton, Tournaments for Turf: Moonlight Madness. 6 p.m. Braddock Park, Braddock Road,

Clifton. All night (begins 6 p.m., Sunday, May 31 and wraps up Sunday morning), co-ed adult softball extravaganza includes three-game, 55-minute game guarantee. \$275-\$300. Registration deadline: May 28. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/tournaments-for-turf or call 703-324-8759.

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

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

June

SUNDAY/JUNE 1

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

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

MONDAYS/JUNE 2-AUG. 25

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

MONDAY/JUNE 2

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

WEDNESDAYS/JUNE 4-AUG. 27

Lee District Nights Concert Series. 7:30 p.m. Lee District Park Amphitheater, 6601 Telegraph Road, Franconia. Enjoy a wide variety of acts from The Nighthawks to The U.S. Air Force Band. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performance/

FRIDAY/JUNE 6

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

FRIDAYS/JUNE 6-AUG. 22

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

SATURDAY/JUNE 7

Alexandria, Canine Cruise. 11 a.m. Also July 19 and Aug. 9. Alexandria

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

SATURDAY/JUNE 7

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

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/ JUNE 7-8

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

SUNDAY JUNE 8

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

THURSDAYS/JUNE 12-AUG. 28

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

FRIDAY-SATURDAY/JUNE 13-14

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

SATURDAY/JUNE 14

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

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

Once Upon a Time...(Costume Ball Fundraiser). 7:30-10 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Rd, Lorton. The evening includes music, dancing, silent auction, food, and performances by cabaret vocalists. Costumes with a fairy-tale theme are not required for entry, but there will be door prizes for the most imaginative costumes. Admission is limited, so early reservations are strongly recommended. \$40. Visit www.workhousearts.org or call 703-584-2900.

Become a Pilot Family Day and



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

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

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

SATURDAY/JUNE 14

The Old Town Arts and Crafts Fair in collaboration with ArtsFEST. 2-8 p.m. Market Square, 301 King St., Alexandria and the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Visitors can browse artisan stalls and purchase handmade pieces while enjoying live entertainment, or watch performances and participate in special activities. Free. Call 703-838-4565 or visit

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Celebrate Fairfax

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

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

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

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

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

5592. Visit www.AlexandriaFoodandWine.com

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

SUNDAY/JUNE 22

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

WEDNESDAYS/JUNE 25-AUG. 20

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

FRIDAYS/JUNE 27-AUG. 29

Braddock Nights Concert Series. 7:30-8:30 p.m. Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield or Royal Lake Park, 5344 Gainsborough Drive, Fairfax. Listen to musical performances in the great

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FRIDAY-SUNDAY/JUNE 6-8

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

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 11

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

THURSDAY/JUNE 12

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

FRIDAY/JUNE 13

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

SATURDAY/JUNE 14

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

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 18

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

THURSDAY/JUNE 19

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

FRIDAY/JUNE 20

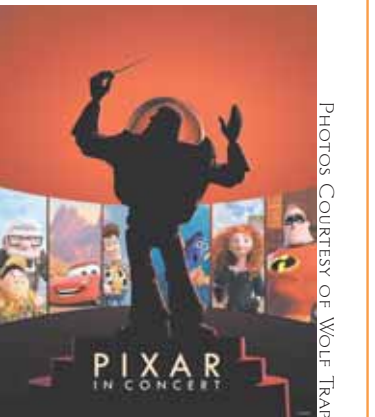
Pixar in Concert. 8:30 p.m. All your favorite animated Pixar films on the big screen including *Finding Nemo*, *Up*, *Toy Story*, and *Monsters, Inc.*, paired with memorable scores played by the National Symphony Orchestra. Tickets: \$30-\$58.

SATURDAY/JUNE 21

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

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 25

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



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

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

FRIDAY/JUNE 27

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

SATURDAY/JUNE 28

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

SUNDAY/JUNE 29

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

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

TUESDAY/JULY 1

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

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

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www.cliftonfilmfest.com/index.html for more.

MONDAY/JULY 28

Herndon Centennial Junior Open. 8 a.m. Herndon Centennial Golf Course, 909 Ferndale Ave., Herndon. Open to kids of all skill levels to come and enjoy the thrill of competition. Visit <http://herndon-va.gov> for more.

August

SUNDAY/AUG. 3

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

SATURDAY/AUG. 23

Wags 'N Whiskers. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. The Village at Shirlington, 2700 S Quincy Street, Arlington. Wags n' Whiskers is a community-oriented event for animal-loving shoppers of all ages to spend an afternoon at The Village at Shirlington with their pet. The event features 50+ onsite exhibitors ranging from pet services and accessories to onsite adoptions. In addition to the onsite exhibitors, Wags n' Whiskers hosts pet photos (\$5), live music, demonstrations and children's activities such as face painting, balloon art, strolling entertainment and more. Visit villageatshirlington.com for more.

SUNDAY/AUG. 24

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

SATURDAY/AUG. 30

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

September

MONDAY/SEPT. 1

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

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/SEPT.6-7

37th Annual Burke Centre Festival. Saturday: 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday: 11 a.m.-5 p.m. at Conservancy Festival Grounds, 6060 Burke Centre Parkway, Burke. Enjoy face painting, food, rides, and other amusements at the Burke Centre Festival. Visit www.burkecentreweb.com for more.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 7

Reston Triathlon. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. South Lakes High School, 11400 South Lakes Drive, Reston. Swim, run and bike at the annual Reston Triathlon. Visit www.restontriathlon.org/tri/.

THURSDAY/SEPT.11-THURSDAY/SEPT.18

Fairfax's Fall for the Book Festival. 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Enjoy literature and hear authors give readings at the Fall for the Book Festival. Visit www.fallforthebook.org for more.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 20

Dulles Day Plane Pull. 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. at Dulles International Airport, Dulles. The 2014 Dulles Day Family Festival & Plane Pull is a full day of excitement with airplane and auto exhibits, the children's zone and bus pull, varied displays and activities, vendors, food and entertainment. Visit www.planepull.com for more.

Paint Herndon. At ArtSpace Herndon, 750 Center Street, Herndon. An all-day celebration of the arts and the anniversary of the opening of ArtSpace Herndon. Visit www.artspaceherndon.com for more.

Tyson's BBQ, Bourbon and Beer.

Tyson's Townsquare. A great day of beer sippin', bourbon tastin', music listenin' and barbeque eatin'. Visit www.beerandbourbon.com/tysons/show-info for more.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/SEPT. 20-21

Colonial Market & Fair. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. George Washington's Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway, Mount Vernon. Fifty colonial-attired artisans demonstrate 18th-century crafts and sell traditional wares such as baskets, woodcarvings, tin and ironwork, leatherworkings, weavings, furniture, and much more. Visit www.mountvernon.org for more.

2nd Annual Arlington Festival of the Arts. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Highland Street in the Clarendon District, Arlington. More than 100 artists will showcase their work including paintings, jewelry, pottery, glass, and much more. Visit artfestival.com for more.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 21

Herndon Kids Triathlon. 8 a.m. Herndon Community Center, 814 Ferndale Ave., Herndon. This event is designed for youth ages 6-16, regardless of athletic ability or prior triathlon experience. The courses and distances were created to be achievable for all participants. Visit www.herndon-va.gov for more.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 27

Reston Multicultural Festival. 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Lake Anne Plaza, Reston. The Reston Multicultural Festival celebrates all the entertainment, dress, food, and cultural treasures from all over the world that are all here in Reston. Rain or shine. Free. Visit www.restoncommunitycenter.com/MulticulturalFestival.shtml

SUNDAY/SEPT. 28

Walk to End Alzheimer's. 2 p.m. Reston Town Center, 11900 Market Street, Reston. Help raise money and support for treatment for Alzheimer's Disease at the annual Walk to End Alzheimer's. Visit act.alz.org/ for more.

NatureFest. 1-5 p.m. Runnymede Park, 195 Herndon Parkway, Herndon. A family-focused event to explore various stations throughout the park that include hands-on activities, educational events, wildlife visitors and crafts. Visit herndon-va.gov for more.

SATURDAYS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

SUNDAYS

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

TUESDAYS

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

WEDNESDAYS

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

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

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

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

www.farmersmarketfryingpan.nova-antiques.com.

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

THURSDAYS

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

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

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

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

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

FRIDAYS

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

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

Summer Fun

Food Arts Entertainment

Musicians Paul Voshell on the drums and David James handled percussions at the May 2 Friday Night Live Concert at the Town of Herndon.



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Top Ten

BY RACHEL STONE
THE CONNECTION

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

34th Annual Herndon Festival. May 29-June 1. Historic Downtown Herndon, 777 Lynn St. Come with friends and family to the largest summer festival in all of Northern Virginia. Enjoy the carnival rides, vendors' booths, hands-on art for kids, and fireworks displays. Then, tie up your laces for the 10K and 5K races in our Fitness Expo. Entry is free. www.herndonfestival.net

Herndon Friday Night Live! Every Friday, June 6-Aug. 22. Herndon Town Green, 777 Lynn Street, Herndon. Sit back and relax to great sounds on Friday nights with this local concert series. Featuring the most popular local and regional acts of the east coast. FNL was named BEST of NoVA 2012 by Northern Virginia Magazine. Concerts are free; food vendors are on site. See herndonrocks.com for schedule.

Relay for Life. June 7. 1 p.m. Herndon Middle School, 901 Locust St, Herndon. Stay up all night for the fight against cancer! This family-friendly event fundraises for the American Cancer Society, and has already raised over \$37,500. Register as an individual, or with a team: relayforlife.org, search Herndon.

Chalk on the Water Festival. June 7- 8. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Lake Anne Plaza Waterfront, 1609 Washington Plaza, Reston. If you ever wanted to paint the bricks without getting in trouble, all ages are welcome to paint Lake Anne Plaza in a Technicolor hue, as participants turns the plaza into a chalk art gallery. \$5-\$15. Register at www.chalkonthewater.com.

Taste of Reston. June 13-14. 3- 11 p.m. Come hungry to the Reston Town Center for two days of food and drinks, live entertainment, carnival rides, the Family Fun Zone! and a Wine 'n Dine area. In the last two years, Taste of Reston was voted "Best Food Festival in Northern Virginia" by Virginia Living Magazine. You won't want to miss it. Restontaste.com

Events at Lake Anne Plaza. June 8-Sept. 14. From their Summer Film Festival on the second Sundays of the month, to their Take a Break Concert series on Thursdays, Lake Anne is your local getaway for the summer. Those with a taste for the global should also attend the Reston Multicultural Festival



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Rich Potter, otherwise known as Bert the Nerd, performs his act at the Herndon Festival Saturday, June 2, 2013.

on Sept. 27. Free. Lakeanneplaza.com and restoncommunitycenter.com

Summer at Herndon Centennial Golf Course. June 22. 8 a.m. Herndon Centennial Golf Course, 909 Ferndale Ave, Herndon. The course is yours in the Short Game Challenge on June 22 or the Junior Open on July 28. All skill levels are welcome to enjoy the thrill of the competition. Visit www.herndongolf.com for details.

Frying Pan Farm Arts in the Parks. Wednesdays, June 23-August 20. 10- 11 a.m. Frying Pan Farm Park Amphitheater, 2739 West Ox Road, Herndon. Entertain children, teach them the importance of protecting our natural resources, introduce them to live entertainment in an informal kid friendly atmosphere, and forge a connection between kids and parks. 703-437-9101.

Herndon 4th of July Celebration. July 4. 6:30 p.m. Brady Park at the Herndon Community Center, 814 Ferndale Avenue, Herndon. Bring your blankets and lawn chairs to celebrate the nation in this family-fun event. Enjoy games, arts and craft activities, bingo, food face painting, and balloon artists! Fireworks show set to choreographed music begins at dark; approx. 9:30 p.m. https://www.herndon-va.gov/Content/Parks_rec/SpecialEvents/4th_of_July.aspx?cnlid=385

Herndon Labor Day Festival. Sept. 1. 12- 6 p.m. Herndon Town Green, 777 Lynn St, Herndon. At the turn of the season, don't miss this festival's great music, craft show, delicious food, and twelve wineries and micro-brews with culinary demonstrations!

Paint Herndon. Sept. 20. ArtSpace Herndon, 750 Center St, Herndon. A one-stop, all-day celebration of the arts and the anniversary of ArtSpace's opening in Herndon. Revel in the creative works of local artists, followed by a reception and awards ceremony. Applications are being accepted for Art on the Lawn. www.artspaceherndon.com

Herndon Kids Triathlon. Sept 21. 8 a.m. Herndon Community Center, 814 Ferndale Ave, Herndon. Get outside to swim, bike and run in this event, designed for ages 6-16. Calling youth big and small, regardless of athletic ability or prior athletic experience. The courses and distances were created to be achievable for all participants. http://www.herndon-va.gov/Content/Parks_rec/SpecialEvents/KidsTriathlon/default.aspx?cnlid=4929

Summer fun events in Reston & Herndon.

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The parking lot between Center Street and Station Street has historically been the site of carnival rides and games during the Herndon Festival.



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Herndon Festival Returns This Weekend

Festival features free entertainment, fireworks and carnival.

BY REENA SINGH
THE CONNECTION

Come one, come all! The Herndon Festival will celebrate its 34th year — with a mix of old and new — everything from familiar concerts and games to a gaming competition that will be live-streamed.

The free festival will be in historic downtown from Thursday to Sunday, May 29—June 1.

“It’s a family-oriented event all the way through,” said Herndon Parks and Recreation marketing specialist Abby Kimble. “It’s a great start to the summer, a great way to get outside and reconnect.”

However, she said pets are not allowed on the festival grounds and she discourages anyone from leaving them in their car.

Nearly every other town of Herndon department is involved in bringing the festival to fruition every year, including the police department and Department of Public Works.

“Public Works puts it all up and takes it down overnight so we’re back to our small town feel,” said Director of Parks and Recreation Cindy Roeder.

AS WITH PREVIOUS YEARS, there will be three stages of entertainment, two nights of fireworks, a plethora of food and craft vendors and free live music will be available.

There will be some new components to this year’s event as well, including a social media sponsored scavenger hunt.

“I’d encourage people to walk around and find the sponsors and take pictures of them to post on social media,” said Kimble. “You can post it on our facebook

page or tweet it #herndonfestival.”

Winners will receive festival-related prizes, she said.

John, Paul, George and Ringo will also make a guest appearance - sort of.

“We’re having our very own British invasion on the downtown green,” said Kimble.

Acts include Steve Lauri from The Hollies, The English Channel and Beatles tribute act The Return will have sets at the festival.

A new gaming event, League of the Legends, was organized by two local college students: 20 teams have been competing, and the finalists will have their battle live-streamed on a large screen at the festival.

“I guess you can say its a modern day Dungeons and Dragons,” said Kimble.

Two new art displays will be seen this year. The Virginia Tourism Corporation is bringing a 16-foot high “Love” statue as a part of the Virginia is for Lovers campaign. Additionally, a wind art display will be installed on Saturday.

“We try to mix it up with new things every year so it doesn’t feel stale,” said Kimble. “There’s always something fresh to do.”

The only money needed is for food, rides and games. Even parking is free - but Kimble has advice for that.

“Take the shuttle,” she said. “It will just start your event off on the right foot. Better yet, ride your bike.”

She said staff will look after any bicycles brought to the event for free.

FAIRFAX CONNECTOR SHUTTLES will leave Herndon High School and Worldgate Centre roughly every 10 minutes, according to Roeder. Kimble said for those who park at Worldgate to walk down Worldgate Drive towards the east to catch the shuttle. Signs will point the way.

“It’s a great opportunity for family to come out,” said Roeder. “We even have fun roaming entertainment to make it seem like a fun carnival-type event.”

For more information and a schedule of events, visit herndonfestival.net.



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Last Year at Herndon Festival

Matt Otis and the Sound performs at the Herndon Festival Saturday, June 1, 2013.



From left, Zoe Bailey, 8, and Ally French, 8, ride on a slide at the Herndon Festival.



Johnathan Watson, 2, watches a train go by during the Washington, Virginia and Maryland Garden Railway Society’s display on the Herndon Town Green at the festival several years ago. This year’s will take place from Thursday to Sunday.



Rich Potter, otherwise known as Bert the Nerd, performs his act at the Herndon Festival.