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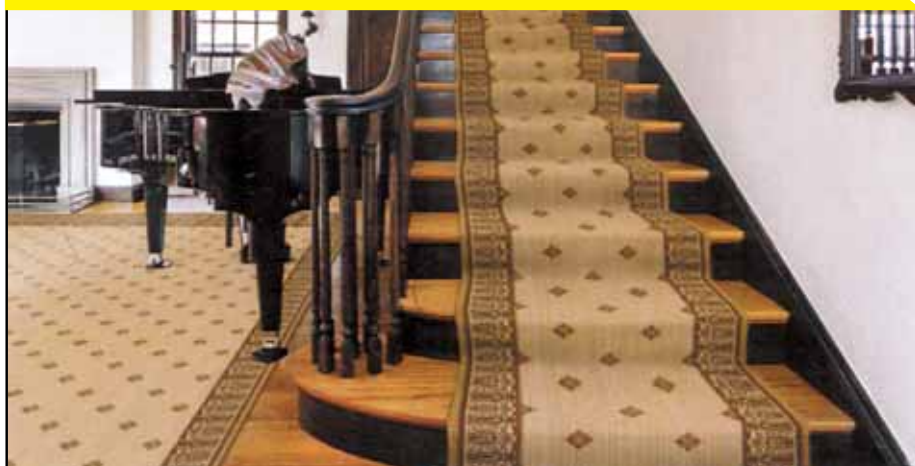
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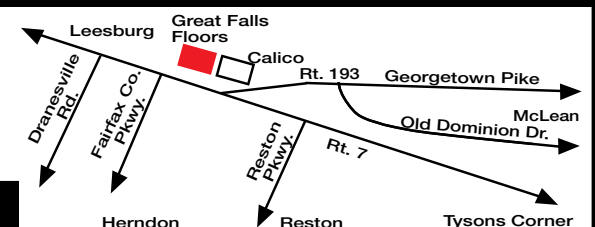
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Portrait of a Graduate Approved

Resolution promises collaborative, critical thinking and ethical graduate.

BY REENA SINGH
THE CONNECTION

The Portrait of a Graduate has been drawn.

This “portrait” - a part of the plans for the proposed strategic plan - was passed unanimously at Thursday’s Fairfax County School Board meeting after the board discussed it for more than an hour.

“I feel like we’re finally getting on the right side of history and education policy,” said Hunter Mill District board member Pat Hynes.

Two amendments put forth by Braddock District board member Megan McLaughlin and Sully District board member Kathy Smith passed, as well, to wordsmith an effort that FCPS is innovating.

The word “ethical” is added to the third heading “Global Citizen” and “balanced” was taken out of the last heading to focus on “Goal Directed and Resilient Individual.”

“There are substantial long term implications for the decision we’re about to make,” said Springfield District board member Elizabeth Schultz. “While it might seem like, ‘What’s the big deal,’ with one word - ethics - it is a big deal.”

She said that the models that students choose, whether celebrities, athletes, politicians and world leaders, sometimes lack ethics.

“If we don’t emphasize it, who will?” she asked. “What models do they have for it?”



PHOTO BY REENA SINGH/THE CONNECTION

Portrait of a Graduate was approved unanimously by the School Board at Thursday’s meeting.

SEVEN BOARD MEMBERS voted for the amendment.

Many believed that the word “balanced” had too many meanings - and was not the right word - for the last heading. Superintendent Dr. Karen Garza noted that the word has changed several times based on the feedback the committee that developed the proposed Portrait created. At one point, “responsible” was replaced by “balanced.”

“It may not be the perfect word,” said Mason District board member Sandra Evans. “We struggled with this.”

She said that among all qualities parents wanted for their children, however, they said health and wellness are critical.

“Without this, we don’t get a clear sense

that this is a priority,” she said.

While debating the second amendment, some School Board members proposed to wait until a future date to vote on the resolution. However, no motion was made.

A sub-amendment to the second amendment to substitute “balance” with caring was not approved, with Evans voting for it. The second amendment as written was approved by seven board members.

During the public comment period, most of the audience members focused on sleep deprivation among students, a subject board members will discuss when they decide whether to change start times in October. Coalition for the Silent founder and chair Tina Hone said that both Portrait of a

Graduate and current school start times highly disfavor minority students - especially those who are already economically disadvantaged.

“The issue has never been that FCPS doesn’t have a Portrait of a Graduate,” she said at a School Board meeting earlier this month. “The issue is that FCPS only knows how to get some of its students there. By repainting this old portrait, you have avoided the real question. What is the portrait of a school system that can get every child in it - regardless of race, ethnicity and socioeconomic status — to the Promised Land, fairly, equitably and at equally high levels of achievement.”

HONE, a former School Board member herself, noted that three-quarters of white and Asian students graduate with advanced diplomas while fewer than half of black and Hispanic students are able to make the same achievement. She said these disparities are found every year in every school.

“Stop painting portraits of graduates,” she said. “Fix this.”

Hynes stated that the Portrait of a Graduate will make sure expectations will be high for all graduates, not just some of them.

“There is no silver bullet for closing the achievement gap,” she said.

Also noted was the importance of implementation by administration and teachers to insure the words come alive in each student by the time they cross the stage with a diploma in hand.

“It’s pretty near perfect, guys,” said School Board Chairman Tamara Derenak Kaufax. “It’s good.”

Langley Student Has Voice on School Board

Harris LaTeef ready to represent students on big issues.

BY REENA SINGH
THE CONNECTION

Harris LaTeef isn’t used to wearing a suit, but he’s getting good use from the ones he owns this year.

The School Board’s student representative, a senior at Langley High School, will provide the board with a unique perspective that represents 187,000 people in the county for important issues this year.

“I really do believe this is the greatest honor I’ve received during my time as a student and I could not be more proud to represent my peers from across the

county, especially so during a time when the Board is deciding issues that will have an effect on students for many years to come,” said LaTeef.

LaTeef’s first experience with the School Board was as a third grade student at Colvin Run Elementary in 2006, when he nominated Nancy Gunderman as one of the support employees of the year.

School Board Member at Large Ilryong Moon was the board chairman when LaTeef came before the board for the first time.

“He is a well-mannered, well-spoken, smart, admirable, and compassionate young man with a great future ahead of him,” he said.

That first interaction peaked LaTeef’s interest in Fairfax County Public Schools politics - and politics in general. He said he is interested in how politics and government affect students.

AS STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE elections loomed early in the year, he decided



PHOTO BY FAIRFAX COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Harris LaTeef, Langley High School student, is the student representative for the FCPS School Board.

to throw his hat in the ring despite being active already at school. On Feb. 5, he ran against 18 other students in the county and was elected the 44th student representative.

As the students’ representative, he will be the key voice for big issues this year, like later start times. This is an issue that LaTeef sees every day.

“This is the single largest issue that will

affect students this year,” he said. “I used to get on the bus at 6:17 a.m., and I probably wouldn’t get home until 3 p.m.”

Students who have between two to five homework items to finish that night struggle to get to bed by a decent hour, he said. Going to class tired from the lack of sleep was normal among his peers.

He also hopes to use his position to advocate for smaller class sizes for next year’s budget.

“With the growing student enrollment and the lack of a real increase from the Board of Supervisors, I hope to advocate that, if any cuts need to be made, we strive to limit the impact they will have on classroom sizes and the daily lives of students,” he said. “Of course an increase from the Board of Supervisors is critical to maintaining our level of excellence as we are projected to be providing education to over 195,000 students by 2018.”

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ELECTION 2014:

CANDIDATE PROFILES

Bridging Political Divide

Democrats hope Foust's reputation as a 'bridge-builder' connects with voters.

BY VICTORIA ROSS
THE CONNECTION

First in a series of candidates' profiles.

Straightening his tie, John Foust is preparing for yet another "meet-and-greet" event at the Clifton home of Democratic supporters Terry Matlaga and Kevin Bell.

It's a sunny Saturday afternoon in September, a good thing since the event is being held outside.

Foust smiles when his wife, Marilyn Jerome Foust, who frequently accompanies her husband to these events, reaches up to pat down his hair.

"You look wonderful," she tells him.

It's just seven weeks away from Election Day, in what's considered one of the hottest Congressional races in the country, and Foust's mood is upbeat.

People who know him well say Foust genuinely enjoys meeting new people and listening to their concerns, a skill that served him well during his seven years as a Fairfax County supervisor.

"He always has time for you. John is a true public servant who demonstrates solid working-class values," said Grace Han Wolf, a member of the Herndon Town Council, who has worked with Foust on a number of boards and commissions in the past decade.

"There's not an arrogant bone in his body."

"John is a real bridge-builder, not a bomb-thrower. I've known him for years, and I've seen him working to find common ground on community issues. Congress needs more people like that," said Gary Serota of McLean, a longtime friend and neighbor.

ALTHOUGH THE TWO were neighbors in McLean, they didn't really meet until they both chaperoned a Langley High School trip to Kenya in 2002.

"We got to know each other well, because we spent hours touring Kenya in these vans that travel for miles over bumpy roads. When you're with someone for 10 days, you get to know them pretty well," Serota said. "John has a consistency of character and he's got great integrity. When John says 'I'm going to do something, he does something.'"

"John is fearless," said Sharon Bulova, chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, who introduced Foust during Saturday's campaign event. "He is one of my most valuable colleagues on the board. He has the tenacity to get things done ... He worked day and night to help get the business community back on its feet."

It's that same tenacity that drives Foust,



PHOTO BY VICTORIA ROSS/THE CONNECTION

Fairfax County Supervisor John Foust (D-Dranesville) poses with his campaign staff outside his McLean office on Thursday, Sept. 11. Foust is running for the 10th District Congressional seat held by Republican Frank Wolf for 34 years. From left: Maggie Seal, Devan Kerley, John Foust, Patricia Jacob, John Souleles and Samee Ahmad

Q&A with John Foust

Q: What do you consider your top 3 accomplishments as Dranesville Supervisor?

A: -Fiscal management through the Great Recession

-Dulles Rail project

-Delivering numerous pedestrian and bicycle projects in the district

Q: If you are elected, what are your top 3 priorities as our new Congressman?

A: -Focus Congress on solving problems and not on partisan games

-Increase jobs and opportunity in our district

-Increase support for early childhood, K-12 and higher education

Q: Tell us the top three reasons why voters should cast their

ballots for you on Nov. 4.

A: -My track record as a hard-working, problem-solving elected official who helped balance seven budgets while continuing to invest in our community's priorities

-My support for job-creators like education, infrastructure, and research and development

-My support for women being able to make their own healthcare choices without interference by the government

Q: What is the last book you read?

A: That Used to be Us: How America Fell Behind in the World It Invented and How We Can Come Back (Thomas Freidman, Michael Mandlebaum)

Q: Who is your hero and why?

A: My father is my hero on how to live my life; Doctor Martin Luther King is my po-

Bio

Candidate: John W. Foust

Political Party: Democrat

Current position: Member of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors since 2007. Represents the Dranesville district, which includes McLean, Great Falls, Herndon and portions of Vienna and Falls Church.

Born: Sept. 5, 1951 in Johnstown, Pa.

Residence: McLean

Occupation: Attorney

Spouse: Dr. Marilyn Jerome Foust

Children: Matthew, Patrick

Education: B.A. Economics, University of Pittsburgh; MBA, Law degree, George Washington University Law School

Community Organizations: Former President of McLean Citizens Association and District Chairman of Boy Scouts. Current Member Board of Supervisors, Chairman of Audit and Economic Advisory Committees and Vice-chairman of Budget Committee.

63, in his ambition to be the first Democratic representative of Virginia's 10th district in more than three decades.

According to the Rothenberg/Roll Call Political Report, the 10th district seat held firmly for 34 years by retiring U.S. Rep. Frank R. Wolf could be the rare bright spot for Democrats this midterm election.

While some GOP strategists say Foust might be "punching above his weight class" in the congressional race, other strategists maintain the 10th district — once deeply Republican — is now considered "Leans Republican."

Foust is vying for the seat against fellow McLean resident Barbara Comstock, a GOP member of the Virginia House of Delegates.

In recent weeks, both campaigns have amped up the tone and tenor of the negative political rhetoric. They have also accelerated the number of campaign whistle stops, debates and town hall forums in an effort to get turnout during the midterm election.

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litical hero because of his commitment to equality and his courage.

Q: What do you do to relax?

A: I enjoy hiking, reading, and going out to dinner with my wife.

Q: What are the first five songs on your playlist?

A: -Yesterday, by The Beatles

-Bridge Over Troubled Water by Simon and Garfunkel

-Crazy by Patsy Cline

-Wind Beneath My Wings, by Bette Midler

-Luckenbach Texas, by Waylon Jennings

Q: When out-of-town friends visit, where do you like to take them to show off Fairfax County?

A: Riverbend Park

—VICTORIA ROSS

ELECTION 2014:

CANDIDATE PROFILES

Inspired by Father

FROM PAGE 4

THE SCHEDULE is grueling, and it only gets worse until Election Day.

"You know, whenever I'm tempted to complain about something in this race, I think about my father," Foust said during a recent interview in his McLean campaign office.

"My dad was 50 when he lost everything he worked for, and I mean everything — house, possessions, everything — it all just washed away in a flood in my hometown in 1977," said Foust, who grew up as the oldest of five boys in Johnstown, Pa.

The flood to which Foust refers is considered one of the deadliest flash floods in the history of the United States. More than six dams burst, sending 128 million gallons of water through Johnstown. The flooding killed 85 people and rendered thousands homeless, including the Foust family, whose home was completely destroyed.

"I saw my father the morning after the flood," Foust said. "What I vividly remember is that he didn't complain. I kind of clapped him on the back, in a gesture to comfort him ... But the only thing he said was 'I just can't believe I lost that film of you kids.'"

Foust said his father, a laborer on the railroad, was talking about pictures he took at his sons' football games. "My parents grew up in the Depression, and they didn't expect anything to be handed to them. My dad sometimes worked two or three jobs, but one thing he never missed was our football games."

"John is a real bridge-builder, not a bomb thrower...I've seen him working to find common ground on community issues..."

—Gary Serota of McLean

Foust paused at the memory.

"My parents showed me a great path of how to live and, because of their example, I have a good perspective on what's important and what's not."

Foust said he was the first person in his family to go to college, and the fact that he was able to get an education made a huge difference in his life.

"Because of my education, I was able to make contributions to my community. College is becoming less affordable and less accessible now, and I want to change that. We're leaving talent on the table when we make college out of reach for everyone but the super-wealthy. I want that opportunity to be available to everyone ... it's part of the American dream," Foust said.

"To me, my dad's reaction to that flood, to losing everything in one night, just puts everything into perspective for me. Sure, sometimes you get down in this race, but you work your way through it ... If my dad can lose everything and not complain, I can do this," Foust said.

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NEWS

Local Group Gives Scholarships to Women

Great Falls Friends and Neighbors holds annual luncheon.

BY REENA SINGH
THE CONNECTION

Great Falls Friends and Neighbors gave out \$10,000 in scholarships to college women to kick off the start of the school year.

Six women from George Mason University and Northern Virginia Community College, ranging in ages and opportunities, were presented scholarships during a luncheon at Riverbend Country Club on Friday, Sept 19.

"The mission is to support women," said GFFN Scholarship Board Chairwoman Ricki Harvey.

Scholarship money is raised annually through the group's bridge jamboree. Harvey said they might explore more fundraising options next year.

"Hopefully by furthering their education, we can help support families," she said. "Several of our recipients are mothers."

Susana Guevara, Clifton, is one of those women. The 30-year-old Northern Virginia Community College student balances her



PHOTO BY REENA SINGH/THE CONNECTION

Susana Guevara and Rachel Stover, scholarship recipients, with the Great Falls Friends and Neighbors Scholarship Board.

life as a single mother of two children with her collegiate life.

"I always wanted to be a business owner," she said.

Her family moved here from Peru. She said her mother owns a cleaning business she is hoping to use her future business degree to expand and one day manage it.

She plans to graduate from NVCC in the spring and hopes to transfer to Georgetown University.

"All of our recipients came from diverse backgrounds," said Harvey. "We really made a difference to impact these young women today."

Rachel Stover, Dinwiddie County, is a

"Hopefully by furthering their education, we can help support families."

— GFFN Scholarship Board Chair
Ricki Harvey

dance major who is hoping to also get into the event planning industry. The 20-year-old George Mason University junior has been dancing for as long as she can remember, but said that she wants to be prepared in case she can't dance one day.

"My whole family played baseball. From a young age, I told them I didn't want to play tee ball. I wanted to dance," she said. "I want to perform as much as my body allows me to."

She is heavily involved in GMU's dance program, but also takes time to mentor freshmen.

In addition to Guevara and Stover, other women who received scholarships were Stephanie Peyton, Mary Alemayehu and Ji Hee Kim who attend GMU and Marija Sokolovic who attends NVCC.

Harvey noted that some of the scholarship recipients were not able to attend the luncheon, but she said they had a good reason.

"A lot of these women are in school and they work, so they weren't able to make it," she said.

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OPINION

Deadly Medicaid Debacle

Literally killing poor people who could have health care, while refusing to give Virginia's economy a boost.

The poor people of Virginia are so seriously harmed by the actions of the Virginia General Assembly in refusing to expand Medicaid at little additional cost to the Commonwealth that those harmed should have some legal recourse.

The damage will cost many lives and the productivity of many.

People who will needlessly die of cancer undetected until it is too late. People whose productive lives will be cut short because of untreated diabetes.

People who will finally qualify for Medicare and Medicaid because they are permanently disabled after stroke or heart attack that could

have been prevented.

Examples of health harm beyond the poor: There are the extra flu cases because a working person who doesn't have health insurance so doesn't get a flu shot also can't afford to be off work and infects other by being at work while sick.

With whooping cough on the rise, people who will be around infants are advised to get a booster shot to protect the infants for whom the disease can be deadly, but if you don't have health coverage, you are unlikely to get the booster.

Vulnerable people, elderly, young children, people with chronic illness, people on chemotherapy, will get sick more than necessary even though they have insurance because of the 200,000-plus people integrated in all aspects of our communities who do not have access to basic health care.

Meanwhile, leaders lament the loss of federal dollars in Virginia due to the sequester and reduced spending on defense, homeland security and other programs.

Here is the one place where Virginia's economy could get a boost. Expanding Medic-

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aid would create an estimated 30,000 jobs and pump hundreds of millions of dollars into Virginia's economy. Hospitals support expanding Medicaid which would offset many of the costs of caring for uninsured populations. So far, Virginia has lost out on about \$1 billion that could be creating jobs and making our local economy healthier in addition to protecting health in our communities.

Business groups and chambers of commerce around Virginia, including the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce, support the expansion of Medicaid in Virginia under the Affordable Care Act.

In Virginia, Medicaid eligibility for adults without disability is almost nonexistent, limited to parents with incomes below 51 percent of poverty, or about \$11,900 a year for a family of four, according to the Kaiser Family Foundation. Adults without dependent children remain ineligible regardless of their income. Refusing to expand Medicaid is hurting all of us, but the most vulnerable are hurting the most.

— MARY KIMM,

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Voting in Favor of Puppies and Kittens

To the Editor:

To paraphrase Forrest Gump, Delegate Barbara Comstock is like a box of chocolates. You never know what you are going to get. Whether she is claiming credit for something she didn't do, exaggerating her involvement on an important issue or simply bending the truth, it is clear she does not want a majority of voters of Northern Virginia to know her true nature.

Take for instance her boast about authoring and gaining bipartisan passage of an important R&D tax credit signed into law by our Democratic governor. First of all, for a lawmaker, supporting an R&D tax credit for business is like a vote in favor of puppies and kittens. It's one of the easier votes to cast. Secondly, the bill in question was simply a reenactment of an existing bill that passed in 2011 originally sponsored by someone else: Del. Benjamin Cline (R-24). And there were other co-chief sponsors this time around. Comstock's HB1220 extends the R&D tax credit at a slightly higher amount.

Comstock likes to claim to be a champion of education and transportation needs but she voted against final passage of bills that would have actually provided their funding. In her mind, having voted the bills out of committee gives her the ability to tell her Northern Virginia constituents that she gave

them what they have time and time again indicated they want most. Unfortunately, she did not follow up. In a recent debate with her opponent, Fairfax County Supervisor John Foust, Comstock came up with yet another explanation for her vote against the transportation funding bill saying her opposition was based on its containing language expanding Medicaid which she feared would lead to "less money for jobs and roads." Since the federal government would fund 100 percent of the expansion of Medicaid with billions of dollars set aside specifically for Virginia this is just another example of Comstock's attempts to mislead voters. Opposing expansion of Medicaid makes the Tea Party happy but means that thousands of low income men, women and children could potentially sicken and even die.

Comstock has pounced on Supervisor Foust's off-hand comment that she had never actually had a job; clearly trying to make it a woman's issue. This is rich in irony, since as part of her strategy to gain the support of the Tea Party, she fashioned an anti-woman voting record that any ultra-conservative would proudly claim. She is now downplaying most of her ultra-conservative record hoping not to scare away independent voters. She has held non-political jobs but she has also been dubbed a Republican Party

"attack dog" by the Washington media by virtue of spending years, among her other occupations, thinking up as many ways as possible to waste millions of taxpayer dollars on Congressional investigations of Bill Clinton, digging up dirt on Democratic candidates for Republican politicians and doing multiple favors for Karl Rove. As a result, she has been richly rewarded as a political operative and lobbyist, often at the same time.

Delegate Comstock and Supervisor Foust will likely be saying a

Inspirational Experience

To the Editor:

As a participant in Delegate Barbara Comstock's Young Women in Leadership Program, I wish to comment on how much I appreciated this unique experience.

For our first meeting, for example, we watched the TED talk of Facebook leader Sheryl Sandberg. From there, we got to meet actual women who showed us the sacrifices and rewards of being able to pursue careers as women. I was able to see the options for my future in current successful women, from small business owners, to NASA scientists, to Delegate Comstock herself.

The speakers we met with were always very willing to get us involved instead of just talking at us, and the passion they showed for their work was amazing. One of

great deal of negative things about each other in the coming weeks but I believe voters should be more concerned about the veracity of the positive things Comstock says about herself. If Comstock has her way, voters would not be aware of exactly who they would be sending to Congress or what she would do if she gets there. Forrest Gump seemed to accept this kind of uncertainty but voters should not.

Arthur Kingdom III
Great Falls

my favorites was Mina Ebrahimi, the owner of one of the most successful catering companies in the D.C. metro area, because she had a very interesting background and was clearly devoted to her business. She actively encouraged many of us to pursue the options that small businesses provide and how to do it. Being with the other girls, especially those who were younger than me, gave me a sense of an environment of inspiration instead of the competition I face daily with my peers at school. In addition, being able to meet and converse with Delegate Comstock, especially in the midst of the upcoming election, allowed us to see the hard work for what it takes to be a leader.

This experience was one of a
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Former Delegate Vince Callahan Dies at 82

Represented McLean, Great Falls in House of Delegates for 40 years.

BY REENA SINGH
THE CONNECTION

Former delegate Vincent Callahan Jr., who spent 40 years representing McLean, Great Falls and Tysons Corner in Virginia House of Delegates, died on Sept. 20.

A Northern Virginian for life, he was born in Washington D.C. in 1931 and died at 82 years old in Arlington on Saturday.

Politicians from both sides of the aisle commented on the sadness of his loss.

"Dorothy and I are profoundly saddened by the loss of our friend Vince Callahan," said Gov. Terry McAuliffe in a statement. "Vince devoted his life to serving the people of Virginia and he will be remembered as a leader and a statesman who always put his community and his Commonwealth first."

Del. Barbara Comstock, who currently serves the district Callahan did, commended his support and efforts in local organizations.

"He leaves behind a lasting legacy in the Commonwealth and certainly here in our local community," she said. "It was an honor to call him a friend, to work with him over the years and to have the privilege of his advice and guidance."

U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly spoke of Callahan's efforts with both Republicans and Democrats for the sake of the state.

"Vince Callahan was a statesman who put sound policy and the needs of Northern Virginians ahead of partisanship," he said in a statement. "One only hopes his legacy as a bipartisan bridge builder can



Vincent Callahan

serve as an example for many of today's elected leaders. I am saddened by his passing."

Turner Farm advocate Beverly Bradford remembered his presence at the Turner Farm Park dedication in 1999. She also noted that Callahan championed Georgetown Pike as the state's first scenic byway. "Not only was he a friend to everyone regardless of their political leanings, but Vince Callahan had a soft spot for dogs and horses," she said.

president and The Beatles were still six months away from releasing "Sergeant Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band."

Callahan first took office as McLean's representa

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Losing an Institution

From The Connection's story on Callahan's retirement in March 2007.

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FALL FUN

FRIDAY/SEPT. 26

Taste of the Vine Annual

Fundraiser. 6:30-9:30 p.m. Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. This year's featured winery is Naked Mountain Vineyards. Hors d'oeuvres will be provided by Le Mediterranean Bistro, Al-Maza, Curry Mantra, Cameron's Coffee and Chocolates and Shirley's Catering.

SATURDAY/SEPT 27- SUNDAY/NOV 2

Cox Farms Fall Festival. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. (5 p.m. in November) 15621 Braddock Road, Centreville. Giant slides, famous hayrides, rope swings, farm animals & their babies, farm chores, kiddie zone, apples & cider, food, entertainment and over 90 acres of fun. 703-830-4121.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 27

Reston Multicultural Festival. 11 a.m.-6 p.m. 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. A celebration of the diversity and community spirit that is found in Reston, this annual event brings together the people of Reston to celebrate the rich medley of cultures. Visit www.restoncommunitycenter.com/MulticulturalFestival.shtml.

Grey Seal Puppets of Charlotte, N.C. will open The Alden's 2014-2015 McLean Kids Performance Series with "The Emperor's New Clothes" at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for the general public and \$10 for McLean tax district residents. The Alden is located at 1234 Ingleside Avenue, inside the McLean Community Center. For more information or to purchase tickets online, visit: www.aldentheatre.org, or call 703-790-0123, TTY: 711.

Charity Wine Life Festival. 1-5 p.m. Mosaic District, 2905 District Avenue, Fairfax. Your ticket will gain you access to taste over 150 premium and value-driven wines from around the world. Admission: \$45. 703-992-8157.

Smithsonian's Museum Day Live! 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. National Firearms Museum, 11250 Waples Mill Road, Fairfax. A nationwide event, Museum Day Live! offers visitors the chance to attend programs at no charge by simply presenting a Museum Day Live! ticket at a participating museum or cultural institution.

McLean Community Center's Annual Harvest Happening Festival. 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Avenue, McLean. General admission is \$5 at the door; admission is free for children up to 36 months old. Piglets, chickens, goats and guinea pigs are just a few of the many farm animals young children ages 3-8 will be able to see and/or touch.

Korean Culture Event. 12 p.m. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Korean Spirit and Culture Promotion Project presents "The Hidden Treasures of Korean Art and Modern Korea," featuring two documentary films, a traditional wedding and a Korean buffet.

Ninth Annual ARTS*by George! Gala. 5 p.m. Center for the Arts, George Mason University, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. This benefit event features a showcase of performances and exhibitions by students and faculty, buffets and beverages, a silent auction of arts-related items and experiences and a dazzling gala performance by Tony, Grammy and Olivier Award winner*Patti LuPone. 703-993-4188 or artsbygeorge.gmu.edu.

69th Annual County Fair. 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Pohick Church, 9301 Richmond Highway, Lorton. The fair includes

games, booths, barbecue, homemade apple butter, historic church tours, Colonial and Civil War living history re-enactors, organ concerts, live music, pony rides and much more. <http://www.pohick.org>.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 28

Walk to End Alzheimer's. 3 p.m. Reston Town Center, 11900 Market St., Reston. Walk and fundraise to further the care, support and research efforts of the Alzheimer's Association. Visit <http://act.alz.org/site/TR/Walk/Calendar.do?cid=50&age=110&af=1324>

NatureFest. 1-5 p.m. Runnymede Park, 195 Herndon Parkway, Herndon. Explore various nature stations throughout the park including butterflies, bees, life in the meadow, web of life and much more with live animal shows throughout the day. Visit www.herndon-va.gov.

October

WEDNESDAY/OCT. 1

Jewelry and Antiques Road Show. 10:30 a.m. – Noon. Herndon Senior Center, 873 Grace Street, Herndon. Registration is required for one free appraisal of one item. Visit www.HerndonSeniorCenter.org or call 703-464-6200. No walk-ins accepted.

THURSDAY/OCT. 2

3rd Annual Reston Town Center Help the Homeless Walk. 12 p.m. Reston Town Center, 11959 Market St, Reston. Walk from Mayflowers Floral Design Studio on The Promenade to the Embry Rucker Community Shelter and back. Funds will enable Cornerstones to provide essential resources and services for individuals and families in the community who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. Visit www.cornerstonesva.org/events_list/whh.

SATURDAY/OCT. 4

Oktoberfest Vienna. 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Historic Church Street, Vienna. Enjoy beer, wine, food, music, kids activities and more. Visit <http://viennaoktoberfest.org> for more.

Swing Dance. 7:30 p.m. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. An evening of swing dancing and great music! Each event begins with a half hour swing dance lesson by Gottaswing, followed by a dance at 8 p.m. Admission fee of \$15 can be paid at the door with cash or credit card.

Jazz Masters with John Eaton:

"The Master: The Glorious Songs of Jerome Kern." 1 p.m. The Alden, 1234 Ingleside Avenue, McLean. Jazz pianist, musicologist, and humorist John Eaton brings his popular continuing education program to The Alden. Jazz Masters with John Eaton is an entertaining and insightful afternoon that combines Eaton's peerless knowledge of the Great American Songbook, hilarious commentary, and elegant, ultra-tasteful renditions of jazz standards, both popular and obscure. Admission: \$10/\$5 MCC district residents

October Kid's Club "Pet Parade."

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Tysons Corner Center Outdoor Plaza, 1961 Chain Bridge Road, McLean. Learn all about pets. Come dressed as your favorite pet and get a special treat from Tysons Corner Center. This event will also feature fun crafts, activities, music and snacks.

Holiday Fair. 2 – 7 p.m. Herndon Senior Center, 873 Grace Street, Herndon. Hundreds of witches,



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The Alden in McLean Opens its 2015-2016 McLean Kids Series with Grey Seal Puppets' "The Emperor's New Clothes" at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 27.

turkeys, snowmen, and much more for the holidays. There is no admission fee. Please visit www.HerndonSeniorCenter.org or call 703-464-6200.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/OCT 4 -5

Halloween Wagon Rides. 5-8 p.m. Frying Pan Farm Park, 2709 West Ox Road, Herndon. A narrated wagon ride along a trail filled with family-oriented thrills, chills, and adventures. At the end of the ride, s'mores and hot apple cider will be provided. Admission \$8.

SUNDAY/OCT. 5

McLean Project for the Arts

ArtFest. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. McLean Central Park, 468 Dolley Madison Blvd., McLean. The park is transformed into a lively landscape of mini art galleries showcasing and offering for sale the work of a diverse group of 50 juried artists. Visit www.mpaart.org.

19th Annual Paws for a Cause 3K Walk. 12 p.m. Weber's Pet Supermarket, 11021 Lee Highway, Fairfax. Paws for a Cause benefits Fairfax Pets on Wheels, Inc., an all-volunteer organization dedicated to providing pet visitation to residents of nursing homes and hospitals since 1987. Visit www.fpow.org/event-685795.

HernDOG Bark Bash. 12-3 p.m. Bready Park, Ferndale Avenue, Herndon. Doggy demonstrations, competitions, an off-leash area, adoption event and wide variety of dog themed vendors will be on site. <http://herndon-va.gov/>



PHOTO BY DONNA MANZ/THE CONNECTION

Rebecca Graves and her daughter, Laylah, 6, wore traditional Bavarian dresses to the 2013 Vienna Oktoberfest. This year's festival will be on Saturday, Oct. 4.

777 Lynn Street, Herndon. Experience paintings, jewelry, sculpture, photography, ceramics, glass, mixed-media, woodworking – and more.

SATURDAY/OCT. 11

38th Annual Fairfax Fall Festival.

10209 Main Street, Fairfax. What started out as a small market for artisans has grown to a festival with over 400 arts, crafts and food vendors, children's activities and entertainment for all ages. Visit www.fairfaxva.gov/about-us/special-events/fall-festival.

Newmeyer Flyer Tribute to the Everly Brothers. 7:30 p.m. The Barns at Wolf Trap, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. The Newmeyer Flyer production company memorializes the legendary Everly Brothers in upcoming concert. Tickets: \$25-\$27. For more information, visit www.wolftrap.org.

Burke History Day.

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Burke Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department, 9501 Old Burke Lake Road, Burke. This year's Burke History Day will feature exhibits, activities, presentations, and children's activities about the diverse types of transportation that have played a role in the settlement and day-to-day life from pre-Colonial to present time. Visitors will learn about railroads and steam engines, bi-planes and jet runways, buggies and early automobiles, subways and canal boats.

McLean Volunteer Fire Department Open House.

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. McLean Volunteer Fire Department, 1455 Laughlin Avenue, McLean. Live rescue demonstrations, fire safety education, and other fun activities for the whole family.

Fall Leaf Collecting and Art for Kids.

9 a.m. Meadowlark Botanical Gardens, 9750 Meadowlark Gardens Court, Vienna. This children's program starts with a walk to collect beautiful fall leaves and to discover how leaves change color. Back at the Visitor's Center while sipping on apple

cider, the children will use these leaves to create animal artwork. The program fee is \$5 per child, and reservations are required. Space is limited to 20 children. Children younger than age 5 are required to be accompanied by an adult. Parents are welcome to join in on the walk and assist with the craft—regular garden admission applies. For reservations, call 703-255-3631 x103 or jmaloney@nvrpa.org.

McLean Orchestra Season Opening Concert: Russian Flair. 8 p.m. Oakcrest School, 850 Balls Hill Road, McLean. A rich program of Russian favorites such as Tchaikovsky and more. mclean-orchestra.org/tickets.

SUNDAY/OCT. 12

Clifton Day. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Town of Clifton, Main Street and Chapel Road, Clifton. Paradise Springs will be holding court in the "Wine Garden" in the square at the corner of Main Street and Chapel Road. Wine Tastings, Grape Stomping, wines by the glass, or bottles to take home all will be offered throughout the day. Join in for a glass or two and enjoy wine produced right here in the town of Clifton.

THURSDAY/OCT. 16

Sam Amidon with Bill Frisell and Shahzad Ismaili. 8 p.m. The Barns at Wolf Trap, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. Folk artist Sam Amidon performs with jazz guitarist Frisell, bassist Ismaili, and rebel rock guitarist Cy Dune. Tickets: \$25-\$27. For more information, visit www.wolftrap.org.

THURSDAY-SATURDAY/OCT. 16-NOV. 1

Great Pumpkin Gathering. 6-10 p.m. 1800 Tysons Blvd., McLean. Artisan pumpkin carvers showcase a dazzling display of pumpkin art beyond your wildest imagining. Visit www.tysonspartnership.org.



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A troupe of Cambodian dancers perform on the World Stage at the Reston Multicultural Festival on Sept. 28, 2013. This year's festival will take place on Saturday, Sept. 27.

THURSDAY-SUNDAY/OCT. 16-19

Fall Carnival Fun on the Farm.

Frying Pan Farm Park, 2309 West Ox Road, Herndon. Games and rides, tasty food fair and beverages for sale. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/fryingpanpark/>

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/OCT. 17-19

19th Annual Craftsmen's Fall Classic Art & Craft Festival.

10 a.m.-6 p.m. Dulles Expo Center, 4320 Chantilly Shopping Center, Chantilly. Features original designs and work from hundreds of talented artists and craftspeople from across America. Visit www.gilmoreshows.com/craftsmens_classics_chantilly_fall.shtml.

11th Annual Great Falls Studios Art Tour.

10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Great Falls Community Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Experience ongoing demonstrations, some hands on, and engage in conversations focusing on process and inspiration. The tour is meant to be educational, a celebration of community creativity. It does, though, offer guests the opportunity to purchase exceptional local art.

FRIDAY/OCT. 17

Masters of Hawaiian Music.

8 p.m. The Barns at Wolf Trap, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. Kona-born George Kahumoku Jr. will perform selections indigenous to Hawaii. Tickets: \$25-\$30. For more information, visit www.wolftrap.org.

SATURDAY/OCT. 18

Historic Hallows Eve. 4 p.m. Sully Historic Site, 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly. Experience the traditions of

Virginians in the 18th and 19th centuries by celebrating All Hallows Eve with storytelling, fortune telling, fall foods and family gatherings. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/sully-historic-site.

An Evening of Indian Dance.

7:30 p.m. The Barns at Wolf Trap, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. Traditional dance featuring classical and folk Indian dance and music performed by professional dancers from the Indian Dance Educators Association. Tickets: \$20-\$25. For more information, visit www.wolftrap.org.

Northern Virginia Fall Brewfest.

11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Bull Run Regional Park, 7700 Bull Run Drive, Centreville. Food, drinks and live music. <http://www.novabrewfest.com/>

Halloween Family Fun Day.

12 - 2 p.m. The CenterStage, 2310 Colt Neck Road, Reston. Come dressed in your favorite costume and enjoy sensational performances perfect for the whole family. Peter McCory, a famed one-man band, will put children in the Halloween spirit at 12:15 p.m., followed by a wonderful performance at 1:15 p.m. by Bob Brown's Puppets in Monster Madness. Little ghosts and goblins up to the age of 8 will try their skill at winning candy and prizes when they play carnival games.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/OCT. 18-19

Claude Moore Colonial Farm 1771 Market Fair.

11 a.m.-4:30 p.m. 6310 Georgetown Pike, McLean. Warm yourself by the fires and enjoy the splendor of autumn with crisp local apples, warm savory meat pies and hearty breads, or let Market Fair entertainers, tradesmen and the militia amuse and educate you. Visit www.1771.org.

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CALENDAR

Send announcements to north@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Friday for the following week's paper. Photos/artwork encouraged.

THURSDAY/SEPT. 25

Great Falls Rotary Club. 7:30 a.m.-8:30 a.m. River Bend Country Club, 375 Walker Road, Great Falls. Weekly meeting and speaker series. If interested in joining, visit <http://www.rotarygreatfalls.org>.

Artists Meet for Coffee. 8:30 a.m.-10 a.m. Katie's Coffeehouse, Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Local artists get together for weekly coffee. Drop in!

Reading Buddies. 4:30 p.m. Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Grab a book, grab a buddy! Beginning readers and teens practice reading together.

FRIDAY/SEPT. 26

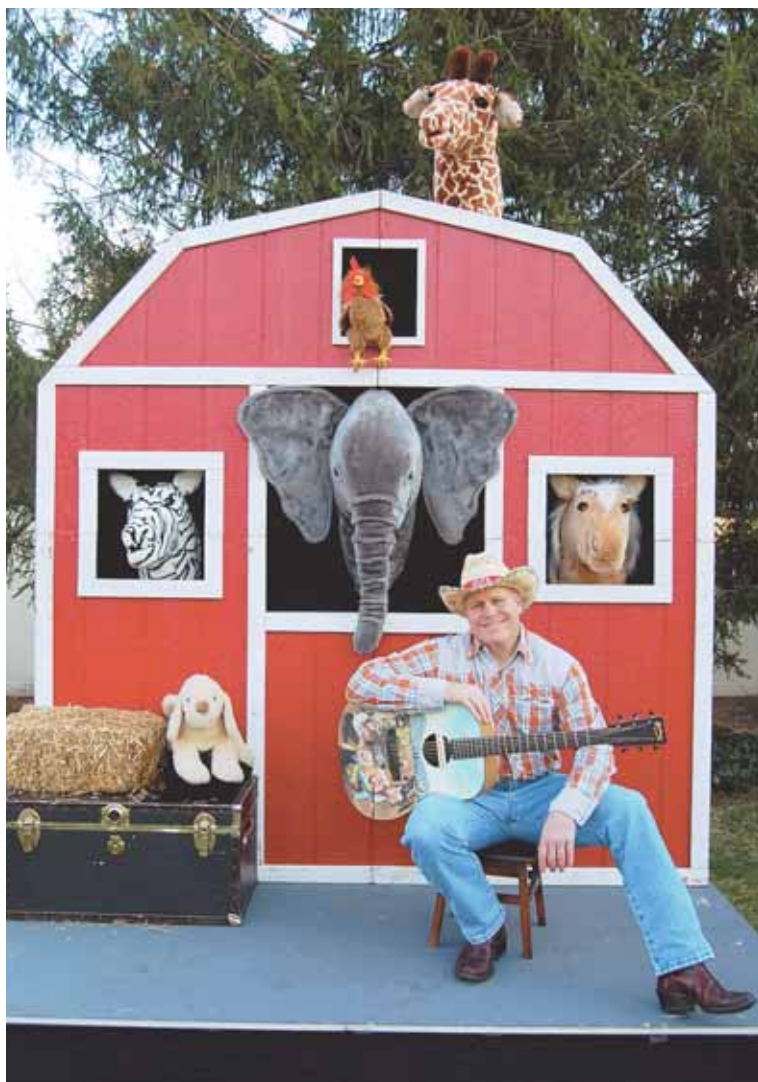
Drop-in Chess. 4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Weekly drop-in chess games in the library meeting room. All ages welcome.

Look at the Stars! Open Observatory. 7:30-10:30 pm. Turner Farm Park, Springvale Road, Great Falls. Friday night viewings of the sky at the observatory park. Visit <http://www.analemma.org> for more information.

Playdate Cafe. 10 a.m. Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Toys and play space for children, coffee and conversation for grown-ups.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 27

Welcome the Change of Season Harvest Happenings. 11 a.m.-2



"A Dream Nest" by Songmi Heart. View more artwork by Heart at ValeArts fall art show, "Transistions," on display Oct. 3- 5 at the Vale Schoolhouse, 3124 Fox Mill Road, Oakton.

p.m. McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Avenue, McLean. \$5. www.mcleancenter.org or 703-790-0123.

Cars & Coffee. 7-9 a.m. Katie's Coffee House, 760 Walker Road, Great Falls. Every Saturday come find an assortment of antique, custom, exotic, sports cars and more! With coffee!

Great Falls Farmers Market. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Great Falls Village, 778 Walker Road, Great Falls. Bring your recyclable bag and participate in the local movement. Farmers from around the area sell their vegetables, fruits, crepes, drinks and more.

Turner Farm's Back to Schooling Show. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Turner Farms, 925 Springvale Road, Great Falls. A chance to show off your skills as an equestrian. Open to all ages. Admissions: \$10 for participants and \$15 per class. Visit <http://www.turnerfarmevents.com>.

Dance for Everyone. 6:30-11:30 p.m. Colvin Run Community hall, 10201 Colvin Run Road, Great Falls. Come participate in dance lessons ranging from 'Dance of the Month to General with Hustle, Shug, Latin and more. Hosted by Ed Cottrell. Admissions: \$12. 703-435-5620 or Ed Cottrell, EdCottrell@MACP.org.

Evening of Art Fundraiser. 7-9 p.m. The Home of Richard & Mary Kelly on the Potomac, Great Falls. Enjoy food & drinks while viewing the vast collection of original paintings & drawings from the Golden Age of American Illustrators 1890-1925. All are welcome, but space is limited. Register at <http://www.greatfallsart.org/evening-of-art/>

SUNDAY/SEPT. 28

Friends of MCC Reception to Celebrate 50 Years of Service. 2-4 p.m. McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Avenue, McLean. Free admission. www.mcleancenter.org or 703-790-0123.

Amadeus Orchestra with the Silver-Garburg Piano Duo. 4 p.m. Saint Luke Catholic Church, 7001 Georgetown Pike, McLean. Amadeus Concerts welcomes back the exciting Silver-Garburg Piano Duo for the first concert of the 2014-2015 season. Tickets \$30 and may be purchased at the door or online at <http://www.amadeusconcerts.com>. Students 17 and under are admitted free of charge.

Great Falls Citizens Association Second Annual Urban Tree Walk. 1 p.m. Great Falls Grange Park, 9818 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Join two local tree experts on a walk around the Great Falls Grange Park and down scenic Innsbruck Avenue to learn about some of our finest local trees.

They will show you the difference between a white pine and a Virginia pine and a red oak and a red bud tree. For more information, email bcanis@yahoo.com.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 30

Colvin Run Tuesday Dance for Everyone. 6:30-10 p.m. Colvin Run Community Hall, 10201 Colvin Run Road, Great Falls. Come participate in weekly dance lessons ranging from 'Dance of the Month to General with Hustle, Shug, Latin and more. Admissions: \$12. 703-435-5620 or Ed Cottrell, EdCottrell@MACP.org.

Preschool Storytime. 10:30 a.m. Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Join us for stories, songs, and activities. Ages 3-5 with adult.

Learn to Draw Cartoons. 4:30 p.m. Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Learn to draw cartoons with artist Bud Little. Ages 6 and up. Please register for this program.

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CALENDAR

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WEDNESDAY/OCT. 1

Pokemon League. 4:30 – 6 p.m. Great Falls Library. 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Meeting Room. Age 5 to 15. Come play Pokemon with your friends.

THURSDAY/OCT. 2

Great Falls Rotary Club Weekly Speaker Series. 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. River Bend Country Club, 375 Walker Road Great Falls. Interested in joining? Download the membership form at <http://www.rotarygreatfalls.org/>.

Artists Meet for Coffee. 8:30 – 10 a.m. Katie's Coffeehouse, Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Local artists meet for coffee. Feel free to drop in.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/OCT. 3 -5

"Transitions" ValeArts Fall Art Show 2014. Friday: 10 a.m. – 9 p.m. Saturday and Sunday: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Artists reception on Friday, Oct. 3 at 7 p.m. Vale Schoolhouse, 3124 Fox Mill Road, Oakton. In its 19th year, the nine artists will present a group show of more than 150 original works of local fine art. The focus will be on "Transitions," the evolution of the artist as well as the resulting art. Songmi Heart and Laura Bealey will be featured as guest artists. Free. There will be a young artists' table for younger art lovers.

SATURDAY/OCT. 4

Ballroom Dance. 8 – 9 p.m. Polka Lesson. 9-11:30 p.m. Colvin Run Dance Hall, 10201 Colvin Run Road, Great Falls. Live music with The Family playing favorite dance tunes from the 1930s to today. Attire is ballroom casual. Everyone is welcome. \$20. 703-759-2685 or www.colvinrun.org.

Oktoberfest Vienna. 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. Historic Church Street, Vienna. Enjoy beer, wine, food, music, kids activities and more. Visit <http://viennaoktoberfest.org/>

Jazz Masters with John Eaton: Jerome Kern. 1 p.m. McLean Central Park Gazebo, corner of Route 123 and Old Dominion Drive. Free. \$10/\$5 MCC tax district residents.

Al Petteway & Amy White. 7 p.m. Jammin Java, 227 Maple Avenue E, Vienna. Al & Amy will perform a mix of new and old favorites, including selections from Al's new solo recording, "Mountain Guitar," and tunes from various Burns documentaries. <https://jamminjava.com/event/670727-al-petteway-amy-white-vienna>

Yard Sale. 8 a.m. – Noon. Kilmer Center School, 8102 Wolftrap Road, Vienna. Household goods, toys, furniture and more. One-hundred percent of proceeds benefits special-needs students ages 5 – 21, with autism and intellectual disabilities.

SUNDAY/OCT. 5

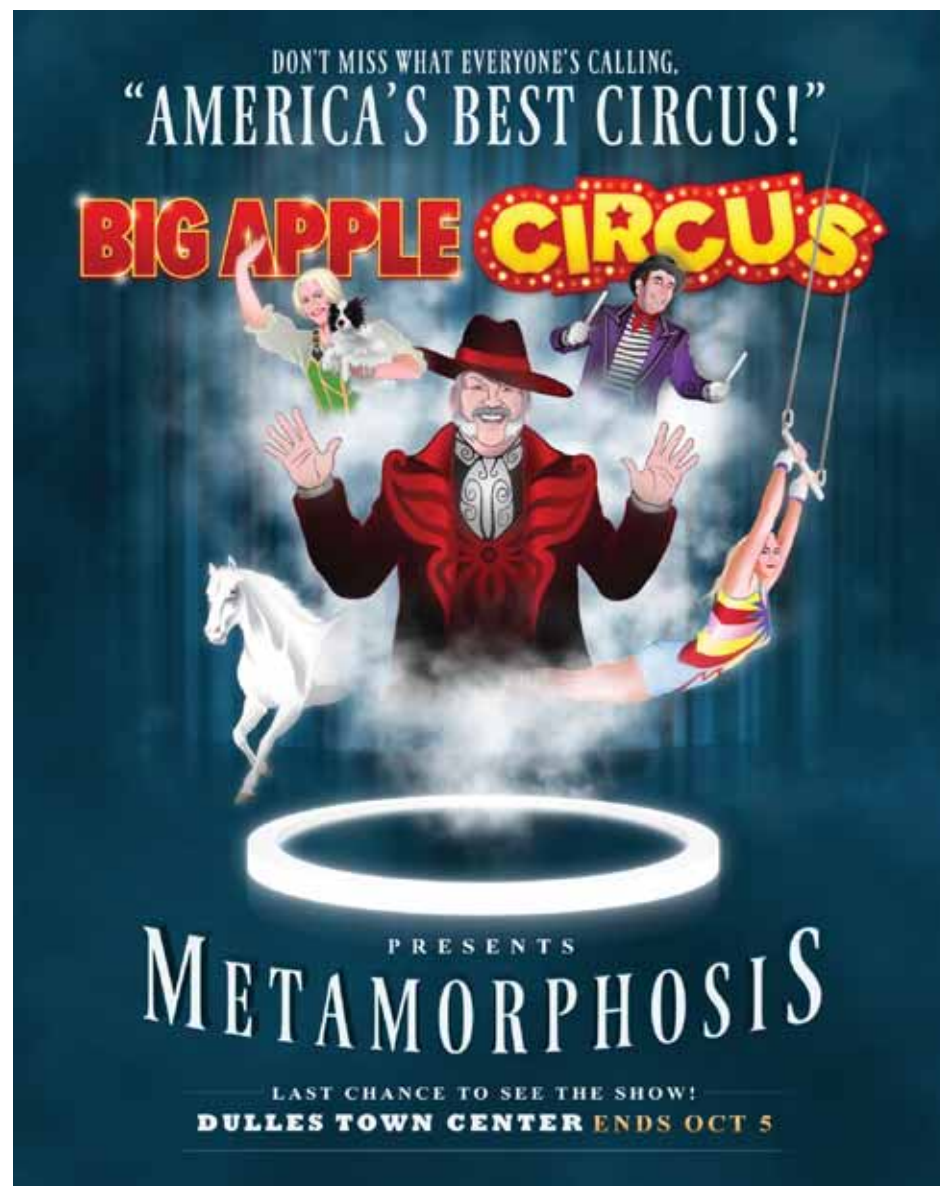
MPAartfest. 10 a.m.-5p.m. McLean Central Park, 1468 Dolley Madison Blvd, McLean. Fifty-two juried artists will exhibit and sell their art at the 8th annual MPAartfest. 703-790-1953.

WEDNESDAY/OCT. 8

The History of Great Falls Historical Society. 7-9 p.m. Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. A panel of the earliest members and past presidents will tell the story of the organization's founding, and all of the projects and challenges it has undertaken over the last 37 years to capture and preserve the history of Great Falls.

FRIDAY/OCT. 10

2014 Sweet Home Virginia Gala. 6:30-9:30 p.m. Sheraton Tysons Hotel, 8661 Leesburg Pike, Tysons Corner. Approximately 600 business leaders, philanthropists, and community organizers will participate in the gala, awards and scholarships will also be presented. \$300. www.cfnova.org.



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An Evening of Art to Support Great Falls School of Art

Richard & Mary Kelly are opening their home to the community and sharing their private art collection of American Illustration for a fundraiser on Sept. 27, 7-9 p.m. The Kelly's Frank Lloyd Wright-style home on the Potomac includes hundreds of pieces of art hanging in eight galleries on three levels and includes a Norman Rockwell, several Leyendeckers, Wyeths, Schaeffers and hundreds more. Take a look at the Collection at www.thekellycollection.org

Reserve your spot or contribute online.

All proceeds go to fund the Great Falls School of Art providing adult and children's art classes, and the foundation's planned community art events/programs such as the new Art Lecture Series, Plein Air Festival, and Community Space Art Project.

Voice on School Board

FROM PAGE 3

Fellow classmate at Langley, Morgann Tucker, became good friends with LaTeef during high school. She noted that he is active with the student newspaper.

"I think he's doing a really good job pushing later start times," she said. "He's really fun and always doing something. He's really busy."

IN ADDITION to writing and taking photos for the school newspaper, LaTeef is the Co-Chairperson for

Starshine Theater to Hold Workshops

Starshine Theater of Great Falls is offering Playwriting/Performance workshops for ages 5 -18 years. Patricia Budwig, M.A., instructor, will guide the students through the creative facets of composing and performing a new play together. Script will be literature-based, as each student will bring in a favorite book or story containing a character they'd like to play in the final performance. Each student will contribute ideas toward a story line, incorporating the character they will portray. The cast will create dance, action, and stage battle choreography; singing, songwriting and directing roles also available for those interested. Each troupe's activities will culminate with an informal open-house style recital performance on the last day of class, so family and friends can experience the Play the students have created together. Meeting at the GFUMP school location; accommodating schedule for busy students. For more details, contact Patricia Budwig at: 703-790-9050 or StarshineTheater@aol.com.

the Langley and McLean high schools Relay For Life.

"We're bridging the gap between Langley and McLean, who are bitter sports rivals," he said, laughing.

He also volunteers at Reston Hospital Center once a week.

"From watching budget debates to speaking individually with School Board members, I really have a newfound appreciation for the massive amount of work and effort that goes into running the 10th largest school system in our nation," LaTeef said.

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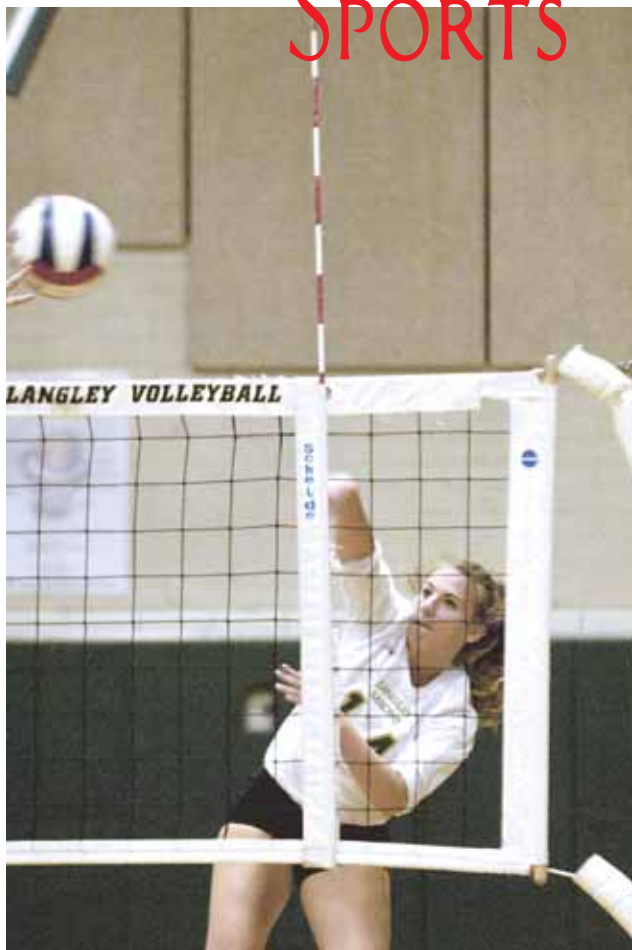
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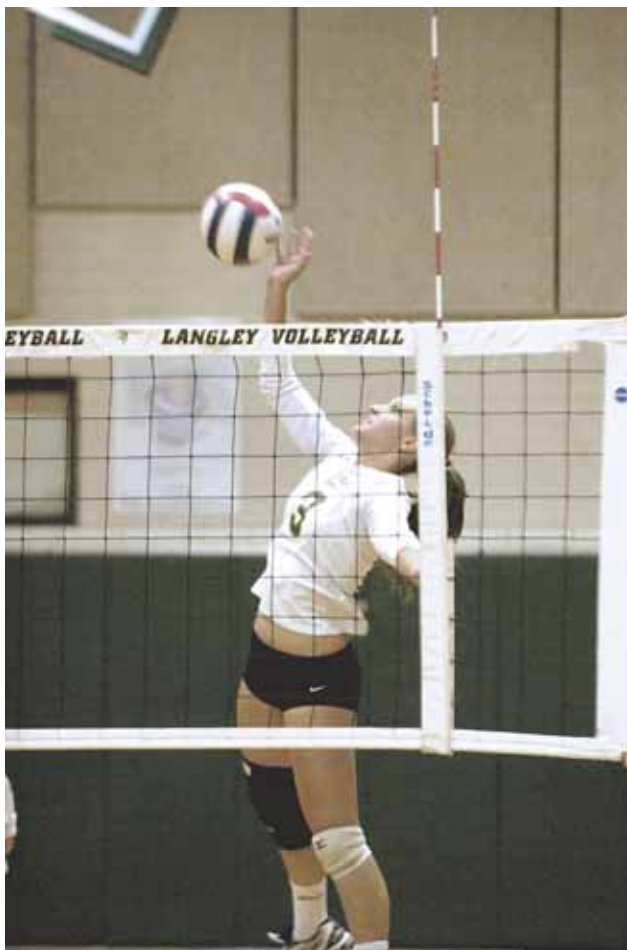
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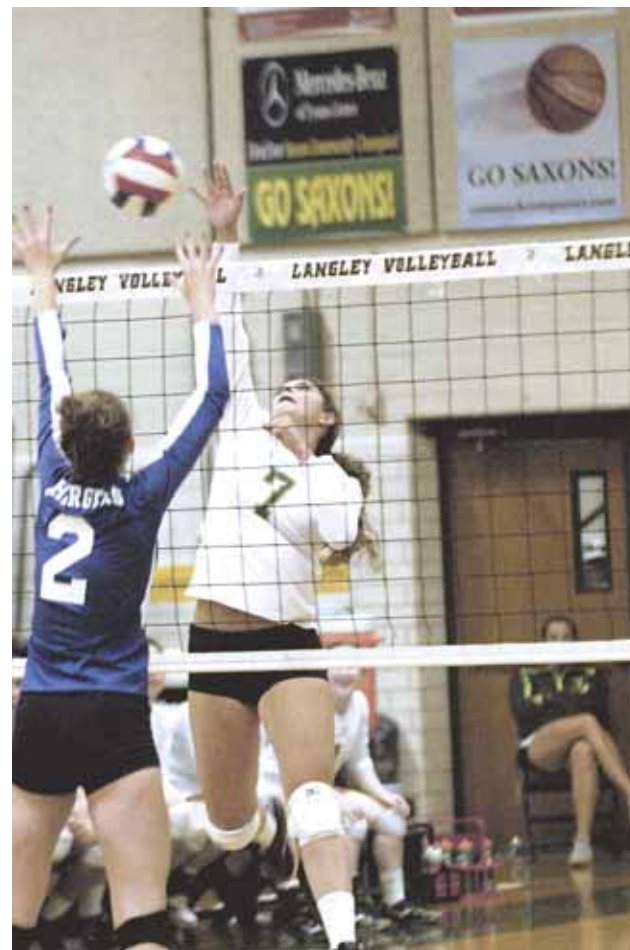
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Kristian Stanford finished with a team-high 13 kills for Langley on Monday.



Langley's Rachel Andrejev finished with 11 kills against Chantilly on Monday.



Langley's Raya Mufti swings for a kill attempt during Monday's match against Chantilly.

Langley Volleyball Falls to Chantilly in Four Sets

Stanford leads Saxons with 13 kills.

BY JON ROETMAN
THE CONNECTION

In 2011, Kathryn Young and her fellow freshmen on the Chantilly volleyball team made a goal to reach the state tournament at some point during their four-year high school careers.

Now a senior, Young and the Chargers feel pretty good about their chances of qualifying for states. On Monday, Chantilly had an opportunity to test itself against defending VHSL 6A state champion Langley, and the Chargers passed with flying colors.

After dropping the first set, the Chargers re-grouped and defeated the Saxons 3-1 (24-26, 25-19, 25-22, 25-23) at Langley High School. Chantilly failed to hold a late lead in the opening set, but the Chargers

didn't let that slow them down for the remainder of the match.

"It's just their personality," Chantilly head coach Charles Ezigbo said of the Chargers bouncing back from losing the first set. "They usually are relentless. I really don't have to say a whole lot to pump them up."

The 2014 Langley volleyball team isn't the same squad that won the state title last season. Alex Andrejev, the 2013 Virginia Gatorade Player of the Year, graduated and is playing for Columbia University. Junior outside hitter Jess Donaldson, an all-state selection in 2013, suffered a torn ACL earlier this season and is out for the year. However, the Saxons entered Monday's match with an 8-1 record, including seven consecutive victories.

"It's a confidence builder, beating a team

like Langley," Ezigbo said. "... A win like this will give the girls the feeling that they can compete with the better teams in the region."

Chantilly improved to 5-2.

Young, who is committed to the University of Virginia, led Chantilly with 14 kills.

"We knew we could at least hang with [Langley]," Young said. "It just validated that we can go [further in the postseason] than we have in past years."

Chantilly senior outside hitter Madison Lutz finished with nine kills, including the match-winner in the fourth set. Sophomore outside hitter Julia Recto had four kills, and senior setter Emily Booker had three aces.

While Langley fell short, head coach Susan Shiflett pointed out there is still plenty of time to prepare for the postseason.

"I was actually very pleased with the way they played," Shiflett said of the Saxons. "With Jess going down, we had to do some

figuring out. We're really young. To battle Chantilly like they did, I'm good with that. Our learning curve is going to be huge. We still have over a month to get ready for when it really counts."

Senior Rachel Andrejev has been the Saxons' go-to hitter this season. She finished with 11 kills on Monday. Kristian Stanford finished with a team-high 13 kills. Shiflett said Stanford has the ability to be a consistent contributor and help pick up the slack created by Donaldson's injury.

"I think Kristian Sandburg can do it," Shiflett said, "she just needs to get a little rhythm going."

Chantilly will host South Lakes at 7:15 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 29. Langley faced Potomac Falls on Tuesday, after The Connection's deadline. The Saxons will face Robinson and Battlefield on Saturday, Sept. 27 in a Dig Pink event.

SPORTS ROUNDUPS

Impressive Defensive Showing Caps 34-0 Win For Vienna Broncos

A stingy defense and hard-nosed blocking capped an impressive night at Waters Field for the 110-pound Vienna American Broncos during Vienna's annual "Black Out" celebration.

The Broncos beat the Braddock Road Hurricanes 34-0 behind a defense that allowed minus-1 total yards on 27 attempts. Joey Murray had a huge game at defense end, imposing his will on four solo tackles and two assists. Jared Cole had three solo tackles and one assist. Michael Leone directed a defensive backfield that al-

lowed two screen completions all night for minus-6 yards. His massive tackle on one screen caused a significant turnover.

Vienna started the night with a 25-yard touchdown run by Jared Cole, quickly followed by an 18-yard touchdown run by David Wallis. Quarterback Colin O'Connor delivered a 17-yard touchdown pass to Cole later in the half. Justin Duenkel hit a 29-yard field goal to cap off a 27-0 half after also connecting on all two-point extra point attempts. Michael Indelicarto took a 25-yard run into the end zone early in the third quarter.

Jacobs Oliver, Tanner Hughes, and Duenkel all had fumble recoveries while Jack Taylor netted two important recoveries as well for a total of five turnovers.

The Broncos will play a tough Dulles South on Saturday, Sept. 27, in Aldie.

Langley Football Earns First Win

The Langley football team defeated T.C. Williams 46-35 on Sept. 19 at Langley High School.

The Saxons (1-2) will travel to face Chantilly at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 26.

McLean Suffers First Defeat

The McLean football team suffered its first loss of the season on Sept. 19, falling to Falls Church, 24-20 at McLean High School.

The Highlanders (2-1) will host South Lakes at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 26.



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From left: Jojo and Mark Turner III, state Sen. Janet Howell, Beverly Bradford Crawford, state Del. Vincent F. Callahan, Dranesville Supervisor Stuart Mendelsohn, Fairfax Board of Supervisors Chairman Kate Hanley and Dranesville representative to the Fairfax County Park Authority board Richard Bissell at the dedication of Turner Farm acreage in 1999.

Losing an Institution

FROM PAGE 9

tive to the House of Delegates in 1968 ... He is the longest serving Republican and the second longest serving member in the General Assembly's history.

"It has gotten old. I want to do something other than be a politician on call for the rest of my life," said Callahan, who has driven to Richmond at least once every week since he was elected 40 years ago.

The McLean delegate has spent 10 years as chair of the House of Delegates appropriations committee, considered one of the most influential positions in the state.

... Party activists say he was one of the first Republicans to gain any significant political power in a state that, until recently, was dominated by Democrats. When Callahan first took office in the late 1960s, he was one of only 14 Republicans in the 100-seat General Assembly.

"A lot of the party's success now can be credited to Del. Callahan's early work. To be a Republican back then was just unheard of. The Democrats had been in power since the 1880s. The majority that you see today really got its start from the early Republicans that ran," said Shaun Kenney, communications director for the Republican Party of Virginia.

"I ran as a Republican because I thought we were the reform party in Virginia," said Callahan.

He added the General Assembly was significantly

streamlined during the 1990s because of political competition between the two parties. He considered the shift in political power — from a one-party system to a two party-controlled state — to be one of the most significant and positive changes to take place during his tenure.

The increased competition may have had some negative side effects. Callahan said civility and camaraderie between Republicans and Democrats in the General Assembly has eroded over the years.

"The partisanship is more acute and the collegiality that was once there is lacking," he noted.

But the expansion and rising affluence of Northern Virginia has increased the influence of representatives from the Washington suburbs in the General Assembly, Callahan said.

"At one stage, the rest of the members sort of looked with suspicion on Northern Virginia and ignored us. Now they have to pay attention to us, even if they don't necessarily like us," he said.

Callahan said his own district has changed significantly from a more modest homogenous community to one that increasingly is marked by affluence and ethnic diversity.

"In 1963, I bought my house in McLean for \$44,000. Now it is difficult to find one worth less than \$1 million," said Callahan.

— JULIA O'DONOGHUE

FAITH NOTES

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

The Antioch Christian Church offers a time of Prayer and Healing on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. for anyone wanting encouragement and healing through prayers. People are available to pray with you or for you. Antioch Christian Church is located at 1860 Beulah Road in Vienna. www.antiochdoc.org

The Jewish Social Services

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

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

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

LETTERS

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kind and really inspirational. The Young Women in Leadership Program shows how the need for college bound girls to pursue roles in leadership transcends party lines and requires action from today's female leaders. Thank you Delegate Comstock for this inspiring program!

Lindsay Williams
Herndon

JOBS EXPO IN TYSONS OCT. 6-9

The biggest firms in Tysons are gearing-up to hire hundreds of new employees in Q4. Mitre, Cvent, Northrop Grumman, BoozAllen and Financial Security are among the 20+ companies that will be recruiting in Tysons Oct. 6-9 during the first every Tysons Jobs Expo. Small, medium and large business will offer hundreds of job opportunities in and around Tysons

This important event is produced by the Tysons Partnership; Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce; and First Financial Security, Inc. Sponsors include Cvent, First Financial Security, Northrop Grumman, MITRE, WMATA, Skill Source, Meridian, and Convene.

Several days of recruiting will feature small, medium and large businesses, including government contracting companies, firms in the hospitality industry, and other organizations hiring for positions from entry-level to executive level, cleared and non-cleared. All recruiting sessions are located near a Silver Line Metro station. "This is a tremendous opportunity for job-seekers from throughout DMV," said Michael Caplin, CEO of the Tysons Partnership. "We encourage everyone to jump onto the Silver Line Metro and ride the train to an exciting career opportunities in Tysons."

The Job Fairs are free for Job Seekers. For more information and registration, visit www.TysonJobsExpo.com.

The EXPO includes four days of events:

Monday Oct. 6: Cvent Job Fair- 11 a.m.-6 p.m., 1765 Greensboro Station Place.

Tuesday, Oct. 7: GovCon Jobs Fair- 9 a.m. -5 p.m., 1710 SAIC Drive, Tysons.

Wednesday, Oct. 8: Tysons After Hours Networking Event- 5:30-7:30 p.m., La Sandia, 7852L Tysons Corner Center, Tysons.

Thursday, Oct. 9: Job Fair and Career Building Workshops- 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Sheraton Tysons Hotel, 8661 Leesburg Pike, Vienna.

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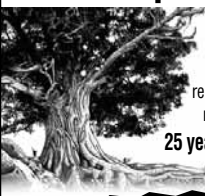
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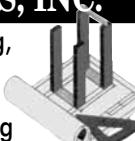
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By KENNETH B. LOURIE

For the past year, every three weeks I have been infused with a chemotherapy drug called Alimta, "the last miracle drug," to quote my oncologist, and a drug with which I hadn't previously been infused. The fear then and now is that once this drug stops working – and for the last 12 months the results have been extremely encouraging – my alternatives, given my underlying kidney issues, are grim. The reason being, if I understand correctly, (and there's an excellent chance that I don't) is that cancer cells don't respond nearly as well to repeated exposure to the same drug. They sort of become accustomed to it and subsequent treatment is much less effective, if at all, so some other drug has to be prescribed with the chance of continuing success hardly guaranteed. My current treatment is working so well that when I asked my oncologist if perhaps we could spread out my infusions an extra week to allow my body to recuperate a bit, his answer was an emphatic "No." Because it is working so well, and because I have so few alternatives if change were truly necessary, the status should remain quo (which is no problem, really).

However, within the last six months or so of this treatment, I have experienced a change in my post-chemo week symptoms. Food, uncharacteristically, has no appeal to me. Psychologically, the prospect of eating food with which I am exceedingly familiar is a complete turnoff. Complicated by the extremely-less-than-satisfying aftertaste, the combination presents food challenges all day long. The result is that I lose my appetite, lose the enjoyment I derive from eating, lose energy/fuel to maintain my normal routine, upset my sleep, then become tired and depressed about the whole cycle of gloom I've just described. And so far, there seems to be nothing I can do, nothing I can eat, nothing I can change to affect this pattern. I just have to wait it out. It takes a week or so to pass.

Granted, in the scheme of cancer things, considering I am alive and reasonably well 67 months post-diagnosis, this blip is certainly manageable and nothing really to complain about; more something to write about as I so regularly do, sharing in sometimes excruciating details the ups and downs and all-arounds of living in the cancer lane. And therein lies the key word: "living" with cancer, as in, I'm still writing (wink, wink). And though I would prefer to not have been originally diagnosed back in February, 2009, I have made the most of it nonetheless, and shared "the most of it" with you regular readers. What I think I have learned in this entire cancer experience (hardly could one call it an adventure) is a type of patience; where context, perspective and controlling expectations, both good and bad – are fundamental to surviving. Fortunately, I've experienced more good than bad, but the fact that now I regularly experience a bad week shouldn't cloud my judgment. I'm still incredibly lucky during that week, just hungry and tired, and not in a very good mood. It's not perfect by any means, but perfect left the building on February 27, 2009.

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