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Sexton's German band plays on the main stage and Oktoberfest guest Laylah Graves, 6, danced in her dirndl. Laylah wears the same dress that mother Rebeccah wore as a child. This year, Vienna Oktoberfest will be held on Saturday, Oct. 4.



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Community Center Dollars and Cents

Rising construction, renovation costs create \$2 million deficit.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

When the Vienna Community Center greets the public in April 2016, it'll be larger and more modern than the current facility and will boast a new, regulation-sized gym. But getting from here to there takes money.

A December 2013 bond issue is funding most of the work; and during a Sept. 15 work session of the Vienna Town Council, Parks and Recreation Director Cathy Salgado gave an update of the project's approximate financial picture.

"We've broken it down into three sections," she said. "Renovation of the existing building is \$2.542 million, the site-work subtotal is \$1.402 million and new construction – the new gym plus restrooms – is \$2.4 million." Salgado also said a 3.82-percent construction-cost escalation rate is predicted between now and next year, which equals \$97,000.

When all the work is done, the Community Center will have two main entrances in the northeast corner of the building, leading into a new, 900-square-foot lobby. The current lobby would be transformed into new, administrative office space.

People will enter the building from both Cherry and Mill streets so they may use both nearby parking lots. A glass corridor will run along the north wall of the existing building and connect the new gym with the new lobby.

A new, 9,115-square-foot, high-school-sized gym will be constructed to the west side of the existing building. It'll be 35 feet high and will contain bleachers and two, 4-foot-wide walking/running tracks (with two lanes) around the perimeter. It'll be striped for basketball, volleyball and badminton courts, and will have two electronic scoreboards.

THE TOTAL ADDITION to the Community Center's north and west sides will be 13,888 square feet and will also allow space for future expansion. The entrance to the existing gym will be via a T-shaped corridor going to it and also to the lobby. The second floor will receive a new electrical system and revamped classroom space.

Noting that the entry, lobby area and corridor will cost \$711,313, Salgado said, "This could all be done in Phase One because it



Artist's rendition of the Community Center's new entrance.

doesn't require additional parking. But we need all the site work done before work on the new gym can begin. So we need to get that building renovation going, get it on track and get it ready for the future."

She said the site work total is about \$1 million larger than its original feasibility estimate because "we're moving a stormwater-detention vault and putting in a much larger one in front of the community center parking lot."

Regarding the building renovation, Salgado said it costs so much because "we're tearing out all seven of the electrical, mechanical and plumbing systems and totally replacing them with new ones. We'll have

LEED Silver certification, plus we're going to be able to heat and cool different parts of the building at the same time."

She said the HVAC and mechanical systems' cost, alone, will be more than \$1.5 million, and it'll cost about \$500,000 to relocate part of the W&OD Trail and implement the associated changes to make it safer. "The trail is 18 feet wide, with separated pedestrian and bike lanes," said Salgado. "We're adding an S curve at Park Street for safety, and possible enhanced signal devices there."

She also listed some portions of the community-center project for which the Town Council may apply for particular grants to

help with the funding. But she said the grants only cover parts of certain things.

Since Vienna Youth Inc. (VYI) teams would use the new gym heavily, Salgado said the organization is expected to donate between \$500,000 and \$1 million to the Town for the project. But with a budget of \$4 million and a total project cost that's continued to escalate, she said the funding deficit now stands at \$2 million.

"If we had a discussion about [increasing] the meals tax, it could close that gap," said Councilman Howard Springsteen. Vienna's current meals tax is 3 percent, and Town Manager Mercury Payton said a 1-percent increase would yield an extra \$700,000. So within four years, said Payton, such a hike would equal \$2.8 million.

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— Parks and Recreation Director
Cathy Salgado

Therefore, said Springsteen, "A meals tax [increase] is a viable option. I think we have to look at [it] as a realistic, revenue source."

Meanwhile, said Salgado, "We have the money to do the renovation and the entry, lobby and corridor, plus the HVAC work and [new] roof. We're recommending we go out to bid and [see how much we can fund]."

THE PROJECT goes before the Planning Commission on Oct. 22 and, so far, said Salgado, "People really want this and we've been getting nothing but good comments about it. They like the lobby and the glass and keeping the brick on the inside."

The project's scheduled to go out for bids in January. Salgado said she could check to see if any other funding sources could help the Town pay for it, and Mayor Laurie DiRocco gave her the go-ahead to do so.



Proposed first-floor layout of Community Center and new gym.



To celebrate the grand opening of Paddy Barry's Irish Pub, owner Brendan Barry's twin sons and his two brothers flew in from Ireland. From left — son Declan, brothers Ken and Fergus, Brendan, and son Darryl.



The Dirty Pints played traditional Irish music throughout the grand opening of Paddy Barry's Irish Pub.

Irish Food, Drink and Hospitality Come to Tysons

Paddy Barry's Irish Pub and Restaurant hosts kin and friends at grand opening celebration.

DONNA MANZ
THE CONNECTION

For all the Irish and the not-so-Irish in the Vienna-Tysons area who have wished for an authentic Irish pub in the community, your wish has come true. Paddy Barry's Irish Pub and Restaurant opened on Sept. 15, and, on Sept. 20, the pub threw itself a grand open-

ing celebration.

"No matter who comes in, we'll make sure you feel comfortable," said pub owner, Brendan Barry, Waterford, Ireland, born and raised. "An Irish pub is relaxed and friendly. You are always welcome."

Paddy Barry's is named in honor of Brendan Barry's grandfather — "Pop" — and his father who lived most of their lives in Waterford, Ireland. Pop Paddy joined the

British navy as a young teen in 1914, and, after the war, devoted his life to the British Legion in Ireland. During the 1920s and 1930s, Paddy helped train recruits to the young Irish navy.

AFTER FIFTY YEARS OF SERVICE with the British Legion Club of Waterford was named "Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire [MBE] by Queen Elizabeth II. Hanging in Paddy Barry's Pub is a framed history of Paddy Barry himself.

Brendan Barry, who owns Irish Business Solutions, had not planned on opening a pub. The purchase just evolved over the past

several months, and, in August of 2014, the pub became his. The former owner had called his pub Finnegan's Pride and when Barry bought it, he paid tribute to his grandfather, "Pop" — and father Paddy Barry — calling his place Paddy Barry's. Paddy "Pop" Barry died in 1992 in Waterford.

Barry's grand opening celebration brought in more than 100 supporters and friends. The pub was so packed, Barry opened up the patio for seating. Guests enjoyed complimentary small dishes and Guinness flowed like Dublin's River Liffey.

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Sitting together at the cookbook-sale table are (from left) Vienna Town Council member Linda Colbert; Vera Lloyd, a 43-year VVFD auxiliary member and the Vienna Auxiliary's Woman of the Year; her daughter, Cindy Lloyd; and Kate Hall with son Harrison, 2.



Pancakes and Bacon and Syrup, Oh My

More than 100 people attended the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department's (VVFD) pancake breakfast on Saturday, Sept. 19. The menu featured piping-hot pancakes, bacon, sausage, orange juice and coffee, and the event was a fundraiser for the department.

"It's to purchase a medic unit for the station," said Joan Dempsey, president of the fire department's auxiliary. "It costs about \$300,000; we're a volunteer fire department and own all our

equipment, building and land." But besides raising money, she said, the pancake breakfast also "gets the community involved with what we do."

The fire department's next pancake breakfast is slated for Dec. 13, and Santa Claus will be a special guest for the children. Anyone who'd like to donate toward the medic unit or join the fire department or its auxiliary may go to www.vvfd.org.

— BONNIE HOBBS



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Nora French, 6, a first-grader at Vienna Elementary, enjoys pancakes, sausage, bacon and orange juice.

New Pub and Restaurant Opens in Tysons

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Strangers became acquaintances at shared tables and the Dirty Pints – led by a Galway native – kept traditional Irish music going throughout the evening.

The exuberant din faded to silence when the Barry kin - owner Brendan, his brothers Fergus and Ken, and Brendan's twin sons Declan and Darryl, the four of whom just flew in from Ireland for Paddy Barry's grand opening, sang together Brendan's father's favorite Irish folk song. Father Paddy Barry died five years ago.

"This is a gathering place for friends," said Patrick Delaney of Annandale. "Food and friends, that's what Irish restaurants are like."

"And a good pint," added Delaney's friend Ed Snyder, Fairfax. "This is a good pint. It's got to be fresh and crisp. This is."

Brendan Barry came to the U.S. in 2008, marrying his American sweetheart in 2009. They've lived in Arlington since. Many of Paddy Barry's Pub's guests connected with Brendan Barry through soccer in Northern Virginia.

Barry has a passion for soccer, professional and amateur. He refereed for 17 years with the League of Ireland soccer panel

before being named a member of the FIFA referees panel in 1995.

WHEN HE FINISHED actively refereeing in 2001, he began coaching new referees. Barry is currently a registered referee observer/assessor with the Football Association of Ireland and also a State Referee Assessor, at the highest grade, in the metro D.C. area under the auspice of the United States Soccer Federation.

Jodi Maher of Arlington sat with friends and chatted with new ones. She called Paddy Barry's Pub "welcoming."

"This is a place I would come with friends," Maher said. "It strikes me as a place you can bring your family to. It's fun."

That pretty-well sums up Brendan Barry's mission to create a hospitable ambience with good food, a good pint, and congenial staff.

"You get a friendly welcome here," said Barry. "You'll never feel alone. That's what an Irish pub is."

Paddy Barry's Irish Pub and Restaurant is located at 8150 Leesburg Pike, Tysons Corner. Free garage parking. Phone 703-883-2000. Go to <http://paddybarrysva.com/> for more information.

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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-

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.

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EDITORIAL

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Connecting to End Homelessness

BY KERRIE WILSON AND
SARA LEONARD

When the Fairfax-Falls Church Partnership and Fairfax County Board of Supervisors declared a bold goal of ending homelessness, we knew the steepest hill to climb would be securing affordable housing in a high cost-of-living area with an inadequate supply. Beyond that, the need to identify and align a broad variety of services and supports to address the underlying cause of one's homelessness and to prevent it in the future.

Equally important, and unique to the Fairfax plan, was the recognition that this could not be just another government-nonprofit initiative. To prevent and end homelessness in a "community" the size of Fairfax County would require us to engage that community in new ways, not just for immediate resources and support, but in a committed, sustainable campaign to reach that goal.

Connecting people to other members of the community and to the resources that enable them to achieve stability is the core of Cornerstones' mission. Addressing homelessness requires building relationships of trust between community groups, often with disparate views about the other. In the early years of the founding of

Reston and Reston Interfaith (now Cornerstones), it was Embry Rucker who brought people together around this cause and the eventual dedication of a homeless shelter in Reston's town center. Cornerstones has continued in that role, with the vision that our community will join us in ending homelessness, not just managing it.

Cornerstones has confronted challenges in building that understanding many times over the years. In 2013, we were alerted to issues of concern being voiced in the Hunters Woods Shopping Plaza about crime and safety and the perception that these issues were related to homeless individuals gathering there. We were aware of their presence, and that these men and women were made welcome to stay on the property of Christ the Servant Lutheran Church and to utilize facilities at the Reston Community Center—reflective of the community-minded missions of those institutions.

But other members of the community had reservations, citing public displays of drunkenness,



Kerrie Wilson



Sara Leonard

vulgar behaviors, and occasional aggressiveness. That linkage is not altogether unfounded, but it is not the entire story either. According to Katie Defoe, the Crime Prevention Officer based in Reston, the number of reported incidences over the last year involving homeless individuals was very low; rather, they tended to involve disaffected young men under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

How could Cornerstones help in this situation and address the feelings of discontent and insecurity that exist within the community? By connecting people.

Working with the church and community center, we convened a meeting with area residents and homeless persons, business owners, plaza developers, community representatives, local police and the Office to Prevent and End Homelessness. Over the course of the year, Cornerstones has facilitated broader community meetings, thereby creating opportunities for interest groups to meet face to face, voice their concerns, listen to different perspectives, and make suggestions for how to improve relations.

The momentum of the neighbor-

hood meetings has encouraged members to think of new ways to engage, connect, and commit to playing a part in making Hunters Woods a stronger community. A code of conduct was developed with all stakeholders, laying out benefits and consequences for those visiting the plaza. The church is providing hot lunches for homeless neighbors, with Cornerstones' outreach worker on site to discuss housing and service options. The Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board offered volunteer caregiver training in how to approach and support people suffering from mental illness. The police emphasize crime prevention, increasing patrols and response to any call received. Reston Association is focused on improved lighting and trail markings, and the property management company has made significant improvements to the plaza through an extensive redevelopment. Supervisor Hudgins has been there as a committed partner and to identify additional policies and resources her office can bring.

Much still needs to be done. Some people, including elderly residents of the Fellowship House, continue to feel fearful about sharing the plaza based on past experience and despite the development of the tools and procedures

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WEEK IN VIENNA

Gang Task Force Membership

The Vienna Town Council recently gave Police Chief Jim Morris the go ahead to pay the Town's portion of its FY 2015 funding agreement to belong to the Northern Virginia Regional Gang Task Force. The amount was not to exceed \$25,000.

"I receive weekly updates from the Task Force, and participating in it would give us a manpower multiplier should we need it," Morris explained to the Council members.

"It's something for which we're getting bang for our buck, and we're getting half of our money back

in vehicle and overtime reimbursements."

Vienna Mayor's Walking Group

Vienna residents are welcome to join Mayor Laurie DiRocco's walking group. It meets every Friday at 9:30 a.m. at the Town Hall, 127 Center St. S. The walks are about 2.5 to 3 miles, with a different route every Friday.

The next walk is Sept. 26.

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FALL FUN

Fall Family Fun Abounds in Vienna

Myriad of events make the crisp season festive.

By DONNA MANZ
THE CONNECTION

When the air turns crisp and the leaves burst into color, it's fall in Northern Virginia. Vienna celebrates the harvest season, the spooky season, with fairs and special events, most notably, the annual Vienna Halloween Parade that's been bringing the community together for almost 70 years.

Don't forget...there are book sales in local elementary schools and children love shopping for their own books. Churches host rummage or crafts sales, and Patrick Henry Library holds its semi-annual book sale. The Barns of Wolf Trap offers fall through spring performances in a rustic and intimate setting.

And fall fun is just the prelude to the festivities of the holiday season.

Family Fun Day for Growing Hope

Saturday, Sept. 27, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Vienna Town Green; No admission charge.

The Optimist Club of Greater Vienna sponsors Family Fun Day and Walk to raise funds for the Optimists' Childhood Cancer Campaign, supporting local efforts to provide resources to children with cancer and their families. Family-fun activities include a fun run, bounce-house, dunk tank, local artists, face-painting, live music, refreshments, raffle drawings, and a live auction. Donations stay in the community. Family Fun Day benefits "Growing Hope," a Northern Virginia nonprofit organization. Seventy-five percent of the Family Fun Day's proceeds go directly to Growing Hope. The remaining 25 percent is donated to the childhood cancer research program at Johns Hopkins University & Medical Center. Since its inception in 2006, Family Fun Day has raised approximately \$300,000 to fight childhood cancer.

For more information or to pledge a donation, visit www.optimistclubofgreatervienna.org/childcc2014

Oktoberfest

Saturday, Oct. 4, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Located on Historic Church Street and the Vienna Town Green, sponsored by the Vienna Business Association and the Town of Vienna.

The community comes together for a kind of traditional Oktoberfest Festival with a beer garden, Bavarian and fair food, live entertainment, and activities for families.



Pirates of the Caribbean stormed Vienna during the community's annual Halloween Parade. Floats, bands, dance teams and costumed kids parade down Maple Avenue on Wednesday, Oct. 29.



Personalized "dough" ornaments set the tone for the holidays at the Thanksgiving weekend juried arts and crafts show hosted by the Northern Virginia Handcrafters Guild. The annual show takes over the Vienna Community Center.



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2013 Burgermeister Greg Bernhard reprises his role in the 2014 Vienna Oktoberfest. Joining the Burgermeister is Burgerfrau Robin Bernhard and "Burger-Boy" Gregor.

most popular spectator event. Hundreds of marchers parade on floats, in groups, dance ensembles, bands and special performances, from the Redskins Marching Band to Shriners in tiny cars. Professional team mascots make a showing, as well.

This year's parade theme is "Celebrating the Tradition of Vienna Girls Sports." Children are invited to walk in the parade in their halloween costumes. No registration is required; meet at 6:30p.m. in the parking lot of United Bank, 374 Maple Avenue E. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

54th Annual Harvest Bazaar

Saturday, Nov. 8; 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Vienna Community Center. Sponsored by the Vienna Woman's Club. More than 75 crafters and vendors, members' bake sale, breakfast and lunch items for sale, and children's activities are hallmarks of the annual arts and craft show hosted by the Vienna Woman's Club. Proceeds provide scholarships to students of Vienna area high schools and grants to elementary schools.

Vienna Arts and Crafts Show

Thanksgiving Weekend: Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Club Phoenix Halloween Costume Party

Friday, Oct. 24, 3:30 to 10 p.m., for children 6th through 8th grade; Club Phoenix at the Vienna Community Center. Sponsored by Vienna Department of Parks and Recreation.

Come in your costume to enjoy the food, games and costume contest that we have plan. Pizza will be served for dinner and change into your cozy pair of pajamas for an evening of age appropriate Halloween movies.

All grades (6th-8th) can stay until 10 p.m.

68th Annual Vienna Halloween Parade

Sponsored by the Vienna Business Association and the Town of Vienna; Oct. 29, 7 to 9 p.m.

Thousands of residents and former residents line Maple Avenue to watch the year's

Company. Tickets are available to purchase in advance at the Vienna Community Center front desk or at the door.

To reserve tickets, email vtcshows@yahoo.com. Tickets are priced at \$14 for general admission. Tickets are on sale starting Sept. 22.

Performance venue is at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St. SE; Vienna.

For more information: visit www.viennatheatrecompany.org

Family Halloween Party

Saturday, Oct. 18; 2 to 3 p.m., Vienna Community Center gymnasium. Free. Sponsored by the Optimist Club of Greater Vienna and the Vienna Parks and Recreation Department.

This popular annual event features carnival games, crafts, door prizes, and family fun. Children – and their parents – are invited to come in costume. Costume prize awarded. Suitable for preschoolers to age 12.

Approximately 60 vendors have booked space.

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Back by popular demand – okay, he was chosen by the Oktoberfest committee – is Burgermeister Greg Bernhard.

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For information or to rent space, go to viennaoktoberfest.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

Patrick Henry Book Club. 1 p.m. Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Avenue East, Vienna. How It All Began by Penelope Lively. Adults.

Teen Advisory Board. 7 p.m. Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Avenue East, Vienna. Ask not what your library can do for you, but what you can do for your library. Give your input on what you want the library offer you. Participants must be willing to meet once a month. Grades 7th and up.

FRIDAY/SEPT. 26

Old Firehouse Teen Center Friday Field Trips. 3:30-10 p.m. Trip will depart from OFTC, 1440 Chain Bridge Road, McLean. Virginia State Fair. Prices vary based on activity. www.mcleancenter.org or 703-790-0123.

Pokemon League. 3 p.m. Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Avenue East, Vienna. Learn and play. Age 5-18

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

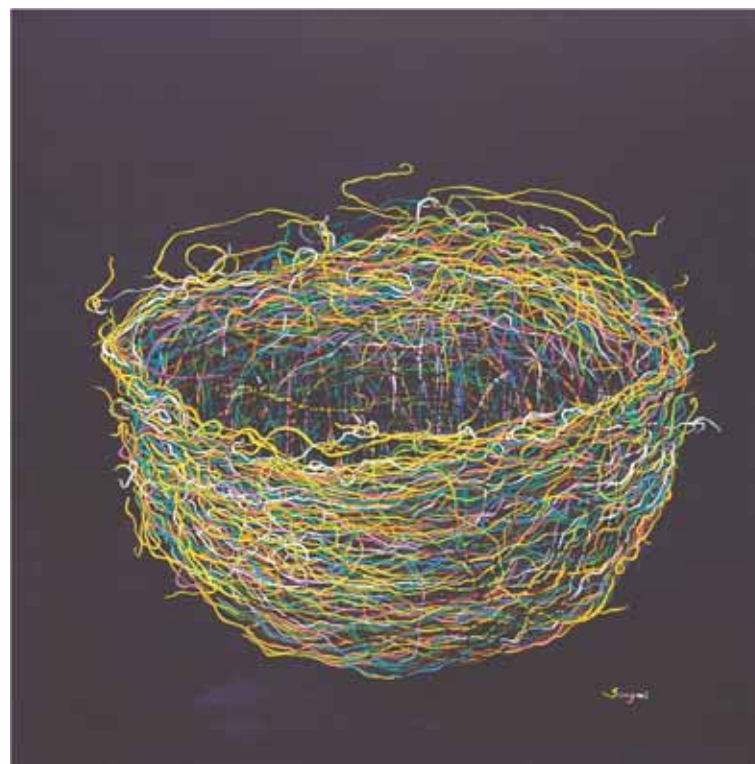
Cars & Coffee. 7-9 a.m. Katie's Coffee House, 760 Walker Road, Great Falls. Every Saturday come find an assortment of antique, custom, exotic, sports cars and more! With coffee!

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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



"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.

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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.

"The Emperor's New Clothes." 2 p.m. The Alden, 1234 Ingleside Avenue, inside the McLean Community Center. Tickets are \$15 for the general public and \$10 for McLean tax district residents. Hans Christian Andersen's classic fable takes on a whole new dimension as it is transformed with an all-animal cast.

Ten Champions for the Autumn Garden. 1:30 p.m. Meadowlark Botanical Gardens, 9750 Meadowlark Gardens Court, Vienna. Join Horticulturist Carol Miranda for a tour of 10 great plants to carry the gardens until winter's frost. A plant list will be provided. Reservations requested. jmaloney@nvrpa.org

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.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 30

Colvin Run Tuesday Dance for Everyone. 6:30-10 p.m. Colvin Run Community Gall, 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.

Tiny Tots. 10:30 a.m. Dolley Madison Library, 1244 Oak Ridge Avenue, McLean.

Head on over to Dolley Madison for an exciting storytime featuring stories, rhymes and songs. Ages 13-23 months with an adult. For more information contact the library branch at 703-356-0770.

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

FROM PAGE 10

WEDNESDAY/OCT. 1

McLean Newcomers Club Coffee. 11 a.m. McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Avenue, McLean. The McLean Newcomers Club has geared up for a new season, as members of the executive board gathered to plan for the year to come. Founded in 1969 to create new friendships, they welcome both new and long-time residents. www.McleanNewcomers.com or call 203-770-6995.

Photography Class Part 2. 10 a.m. – Noon. Tysons Corner Microsoft Store, 1961 Chain Bridge Road, McLean. Learn techniques to crop pictures, remove “red eye”, adjust focus, and more. Free. Call the Shepherd’s Center of Oakton Vienna (SCOV) office to register for classes or for additional information, 703-281-0538.

Teddy Bear Band. 12:30 p.m. McLean Central Park Gazebo, corner of Route 123 and Old Dominion Dr. Free. The Alden, Jammin’ Juniors concert series.

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.



Don’t miss Vienna-Falls Chorus as they present “On Air: Music through the Decades” concert on Oct. 18 at Northern Virginia Community College’s Annandale campus. This will be an all-out feast for the senses with lights, stage decorations, dancing and humor.

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

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/>

Semi-annual Book Sale. 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Avenue East, Vienna. Thousands of gift-quality books will be available.

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.
Semi-annual Book Sale. 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Avenue East, Vienna. Thousands of gift-quality books will be available.

WEDNESDAY/OCT. 8

Cre8tive Art. 10 a.m. – Noon. Tysons Corner Microsoft Store, 1961 Chain Bridge Road, McLean. The Cre8tive series of workshops will introduce attendees to different forms of art using Windows 8.1. Learn how to create art and modify images. Free. Call the Shepherd’s Center of Oakton Vienna (SCOV) office to register for classes or for additional information, 703-281-0538.

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.

SATURDAY/OCT. 11

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 or jmaloney@nvrpa.org.

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The Madison Warhawks won the 2014 Rebel Volleyball Invitational on Sept. 20 at Fairfax High School.



Madison junior setter Kendal Hall made the all-tournament team during the 2014 Rebel Volleyball Invitational on Sept. 20.

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Madison Volleyball Wins Rebel Invitational

Warhawks undefeated through 15 matches.

BY JON ROETMAN
THE CONNECTION

The Madison volleyball team started the 2013 season with 21 consecutive victories before falling to eventual state champion Langley. The Warhawks lost again five days later, dropping a five-set match to Washington-Lee.

This season, Madison is off to another undefeated start — and last year's back-to-back losses are a reminder that the streak could end at any time. Saturday, however, was not that time.

The Warhawks improved to 15-0 on Sept. 20 and won the 2014 Rebel Volleyball Invitational at Fairfax High School. Madison swept through Islamic Saudi Academy, Lake Braddock and South Lakes in pool play be-

fore defeating Fairfax and Patriot to win the gold bracket championship.

"Overall, I thought it was a really great day for us," Madison head coach Carrie Hall said. "We ran a lot of different people all day until the last game here and they all did well."

Senior setter Chandler Rouse and junior setter Kendal Hall each made the all-tournament team for Madison.

The Warhawks have breezed through the competition this season, sweeping all but two of their first 15 opponents. Madison needed five sets to beat Chantilly in the season opener on Aug. 27 and defeated Fairfax 2-1 in Saturday's gold bracket semifinals.

"[M]y girls are very wary of every team," Coach Hall said. "... The girls are working hard every day because we know what can happen."

The Warhawks fell one victory shy of the state tournament each of the last two seasons and have their sights set on clearing that hurdle.

"[Seniors Marissa Roy and Virginia Moore have] been on varsity all fours years and for the last two years we've lost in the re-



Jayne Carter and the Madison volleyball team improved to 15-0 by winning the 2014 Rebel Volleyball Invitational on Sept. 20.

gion semifinals," Hall said, "so if you were to ask them, I'm sure they would love to win that game. I think that's probably where we're at."

Junior outside hitters Jayne Carter and Natale Zanellato, setter Hall, libero Moore and outside hitter Roy have been some of Madison's top players this season.

Madison faced Annandale on Tuesday, after The Connection's deadline. The Warhawks will travel to face Stone Bridge at 7:15 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 29.

"I'm happy that we're on our [undefeated] streak," said Zanellato, who transferred to Madison from Lake Braddock, "and I think we're just playing the way we want to play and ... it's working."

The rest of the all-tournament team included: Savannah Powers (Fairfax), Taris Pittman (Fairfax), Rachel Abelson (South Lakes), Melody Caloyannides (South Lakes), Tara Wulf (Lake Braddock), Rachel Tuck (Lake Braddock), Michelle Laker (Yorktown), Catherine Vaccaro (Yorktown), Lubna Mostafa (ISA), Hoda Mahmoud (ISA), Kalia Batistas (Patriot), and Alexa Gore (Patriot).

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.

Madison Football Beats Fairfax

The Madison football team improved to 2-2 with a 34-14 home victory over Fairfax on Sept. 19.

The Warhawks will host Stone Bridge at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 26.

Oakton Football Suffers First Loss

The Oakton football team lost to Annandale 14-10 on Sept. 19 at Oakton High School.

The Cougars (3-1) will travel to take on West Potomac at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 26.

WEEK IN VIENNA

FROM PAGE 7

Drug Take-Back Saturday

In conjunction with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and state and local law-enforcement agencies, the Vienna Police Department will hold a drug take-back initiative to remove potentially dangerous controlled substances from local homes. It's set for this Saturday, Sept. 27, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., at Vienna Police Headquarters, 215 Center St. S.

There'll be a collection site where people may turn in their old, expired, unused, or unwanted medications. Prescription medications, controlled or non-controlled substances and over-the-counter drugs may be turned in anonymously at the collection point inside the station.

People may dispose of medication in its original container or not. Residents are advised to remove any identifying information from the prescription label. Liquid products should remain sealed in their original container to prevent leakage.

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LETTER

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that will bring police or Hunters Woods task force members to assist. Cornerstones hears those concerns and will continue to facilitate a meaningful and productive dialogue between all community members.

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Oakton High To Host Marching Band Competition

On Sept. 27, the Oakton High Band will host the 29th Band Competition. This year's classic will feature fifteen bands from the local and regional area including Robinson, McLean and the "Pride of Vienna" James Madison High. This year's event will also showcase a performance by the Old Dominion University Marching Band.

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Post-Chemo Weak



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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