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# Rules on Noise Set To Change

Board of Supervisors scheduled to resume discussion and vote on proposed Noise Ordinance on June 23.

> By Ken Moore The Connection

ranesville District Supervisor John Foust asked to defer a proposal to adopt a new chapter of the county's noise ordinance to September so the board could have more time to weigh testimony of more than 30 speakers at the public hearing, May 12. Instead, the vote was delayed until June

"You have a big challenge ahead of you, but peace and quiet in our neighborhoods is an important commodity to have," said Robert Winer, of Clifton.

"More effort is needed to resolve the issue," said Joyce Harris, a 31-year resident of McLean. "Protecting the rights of residents in a residential neighborhood should be a primary goal of the ordinance. Please defer your vote and allow more time to develop a solution that works for this is-

MORE THAN 30 speakers testified including: Greg Budnik who discussed helicopter noise from training runs at Fort Belvoir; Mark Grove, of Fairfax, whose wife was recuperating from cancer treatment and had to contend with music from a supermarket across the street that had permits to play music until 11 p.m.; Keith Elgin, worship director of Vine Church in Dunn Loring, who wants to create events such as outdoor



Photo by Ken Moore/The Connection

Joyce Harris, of McLean, testifies before the Board of Supervisors on the mandated rewrite of the county's noise ordinance.

movies and concerts during the summer months; to neighbors in Reston who say they cannot get relief from noise of nearby dog parks; to those who take their dogs to dog parks to spare neighbors from noise.

Sheila Casey, of Reston, said she can hear mowers on a nearby golf course before dawn with maintenance crews sometimes using headlights on lawnmowers before 5 a.m. "All I know is when those lawn mowers are running, I can turn on my air conditioning, I can put in my earplugs, and I still hear the noise," she said.

Issues don't seem as simple when engaging with the details.

"When babies cannot sleep, when the elderly cannot rest, when a voice teacher cannot instruct, when a family cannot share a meal together on their patio, when a homeowner has to close her windows and move to another part of the house just to make a telephone call, when a cancer patient cannot recuperate and rest in her yard because music is amplified in the neighborhood at intrusive levels, then we know something is not right with life in Fairfax County," said Harris.

FAIRFAX AND OTHER Virginia governments have to rewrite their noise ordinance as a result of a Virginia Supreme Court decision overturning the ordinance in Virginia Beach, according to county documents.

The overall goals of the proposed Noise Ordinance is to recognize that there will always be certain levels of noise that occur in the normal course of daily living; to allow certain levels of daytime noise so that people can live, work and play during the day; and to minimize noise at night so residents have an appropriate quiet environment in their homes at night.

This would involve prohibiting certain activities, excluding certain activities from the Noise Ordinance, and other activities or sources of sound would be subject to maximum decibel levels, qualified by time, location and duration limitations.

Supervisors will also engage the School Board on the issue of amplified sound from high school campuses.

The noise ordinance covers everything from lawn mowers, barking dogs, loudspeakers at athletic fields and industrial operations.

For example, the noise of barking, howling, meowing, squawking or quacking animals that could be heard in a home with its windows closed is prohibited between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m., according to county docu-

Other noise-makers that are specifically addressed, according to county docu-

- \* Using a loudspeaker or amplifier outside Sunday through Thursday between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m., and between 10 p.m. and 9 a.m. on Fridays, Saturdays and the day before a federal holiday.
- Many specifics of operating power lawn equipment, including lawn mowers; on all properties, the operation of leaf blowers is prohibited between 9 p.m. and 7 a.m.
- \* Fixing cars or mechanical devices outside between 9 p.m. and 7 a.m.
- Collecting trash or recycling within 100 yards of a residence between 9 p.m. and 6
- Loading or unloading trucks outside within 100 yards of a residence between 9 p.m. and 6 a.m.
- Using dog parks Sunday through Thursday between dusk and 7 a.m. or on Fridays, Saturday or the day before a federal holiday between dusk and 8 a.m.

For more, see http:// www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/zoning/ noiseordinance/

# School Board Passes \$2.6 Billion Budget for 2016

# Employees receive step pay increase but lose portion of planned market scale adjustment.

By Tim Peterson THE CONNECTION

7.6 million: That's how much Fairfax County Public Schools said the School Board needed to cut to meet the goals set out in its Fiscal Year 2016 Advertised Budget.

When the board voted 10-2 on May 21 in approval of next year's budget, covering that gap brought the step pay increase for employees down from a market scale adjustment of one percent to 0.62 percent.

More than 70 percent of the total bud-

get of \$2.6 billion comes from Fairfax the School Board requested a \$1.84 billion ment increases and reducing class size County. The total transfer of \$2.01 billion to the school system's operating and debt service is over 52 percent of the county's general fund disbursement. That rate has been "consistent" for several years, according to the Fiscal Year 2016 Advertised Bud-

The county transfer is a 3.4 percent rise from the Fiscal Year 2015 adopted budget plan, a difference of \$66.7 million. \$1.83 billion of that goes to school operations, \$187 million is the school debt service trans-

In their Advertised Budget Plan, however,

transfer for operations. They asked for a \$70.6 million increase and got \$56.6 mil-

Some additional money from the Virginia General Assembly and a decrease in employer contributions to the Virginia Retirement system helped reduce that \$14 million to \$7.6 million.

The School Board's Approved 2016 budget is a 2.2 percent increase over 2015, or \$53.9 million. Though the budget team made \$61.4 million in reductions, pushing back school start times, adding full-day Mondays for elementary schools, enrollin certain elementary schools were all factors contributing to the increase from

For the 2014-2015 school year, enrollment was 186,785, up from 183,895 the previous year. That increase cost the school system an additional \$19.5 million. For 2015-2016, the projection is a \$21.3 million increase to cover enroll-

**COMING IN UNDER** the market scale

SEE SCHOOL BUDGET, PAGE 4



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# News

The Fiscal Year 2016 Approved Budget for Fairfax County Public Schools passed by a 10-2 vote.



PHOTO BY TIM PETERSON/THE CONNECTION

# School Budget Adopted

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adjustment and its effect on employees, particularly teachers, was a main subject of discussion during the meeting.

"It all comes down to our credibility," said Megan McLaughlin, representing the Braddock District. "Employee compensation is a top priority. Tonight, we're taking one of our most important priorities and short-changing it."

McLaughlin introduced two variations on a similar amendment to the budget that would each restore the full market scale adjustment. She proposed cutting the recurring funding that allows students to take Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate tests for free, saving \$5 million

To buy time for additional community discussion and problem-solving, her amendments also called for Superintendent Karen Garza to set aside one-time funding to continue paying for students' test fees in the 2015-2016 school year.

One of her proposed sources of that one-time funding was drawing from the school system's flexible reserve fund of \$8 million. That notion was an unpopular one among the majority of other board members.

Sully District representative Kathy Smith said drawing from the emergency fund as a one-time solution was "just not a fiscally responsible decision. You pray that you don't need it."

Elizabeth Schultz, representing the Springfield District, had prepared an amendment that proposed reversing the board's recent decision to raise future members' salaries in order to offset some of the budget reductions.

But after both of McLaughlin's amendments failed, she said, "It s clear we're not getting any traction." Schultz then rescinded her amendment, calling it "shameful."

During the discussion, board members voiced frus-

tration with the Board of Supervisors for not fully funding their request.

"I'm very disappointed," said vice chairman Ted Velkoff. "I feel like the supervisors have unwittingly validated the cynics — you'll never be able to work with them."

Velkoff said more help could come from the General Assembly. "The focus needs to shift to Richmond," he said, where representatives are "failing to fund localities in the commonwealth. Frankly your Board of Supervisors and School Board don't have the tools they need in order to solve these problems."

At-large member Ryan McElveen acknowledged there are "always tensions between our two boards at budget time," but that "none of us wants to make enemies of the Board of Supervisors."

McElveen said John Foust (D-Dranesville) and other supervisors did "what they could for us." But, he said, "We're entering a new normal and unfortunately it's pitiful, absolutely pitiful."

IN HER STATEMENT announcing the vote, chairman Tammy Derenak Kaufax said, "We recognize that the Board of Supervisors cares about our great schools and shares our vision to make education our community's top priority. We also recognize that there are no easy answers to our budget challenges. We will continue to work with the Board of Supervisors, along with state and federal representatives, to find solutions that support our students, families, teachers and staff, maintaining FCPS' reputation for excellence."

But acknowledging the projected \$100 million deficit for the schools' 2017 budget, she said, "Tomorrow we know the even harder work begins." Referencing Garza's publicly shared concerns over the future shortfalls, the chairman added, "Our ability to best serve our children is in jeopardy now."

More information and resources about the FY2016 and FY2017 budgets are available online at www.fcps.edu/news/fy2016.shtml.

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Do More 24 is a local, annual 24hour fundraiser hosted by the United Way of the National Capital Area. On Thursday, June 4, community members and businesses in the D.C. metropolitan area are asked to contribute to local nonprofits that are confronting our region's most pressing challenges.

"Too many young people in our community are suffering from heroin and painkiller addiction and overdose, marijuana use and alcohol abuse," said Lisa Adler, president of the nonprofit UPC. "Substance abuse is a public health issue needing a community response, and the Unified Prevention Coalition needs financial support to continue our vital work to prevent substance abuse by teens and young adults and its negative consequences affecting families and our community. We're grateful for the restaurant partners that have generously joined us to highlight the need to support prevention efforts."

Gary Cohen, Glory Days Grill's vice president of operations, invites county residents to "join with us on June 4 to help raise funds to support this important work."

For a complete listing of restaurants (and hours of participation) in the Do More 24 campaign on behalf of UPC, see www.unifiedpreventioncoalition.org.

Adler also encouraged individuals to make a tax-deductible donation online at www.unifiedpreventioncoalition.org during the campaign, which will run from June 1-5. She noted that \$10 is saved for every \$1 spent on prevention.

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# OPINION

# Voting, June 9

# No, not for Hillary or Jeb or Carly. Locally, June 9, 2015 is an Election Day that counts.

o listen to the national news, one would think that the next Presidential election is in November. But no. That's November 2016. In the meantime, every year is an Election year in Virginia, and in 2015, virtually every state and local office is on the ballot. EDITORIAL

In heavily Democratic districts (or any district that is solidly one party or the other), any real competition comes in the

That's June 9 in parts of Fairfax County in the Mount Vernon magisterial district, and in House of Delegates Districts 44 and 45.

Four Democrats are on the June 9 ballot seeking to be the Democratic nominee to replace retiring Gerry Hyland as the Mount Vernon representative to the Board of Supervisors. Hyland has represented Mount Vernon since 1988.

Two Democrats are seeking to be the party nominee for House of Delegates District 44. Scott Surovell is giving up the seat he has held since 2009 to run for State Senate to replace retiring Sen. Toddy Puller (D-36).

Five Democrats are on the ballot on June 9 for House of Delegates District 45, to replace Del. Rob Krupicka who is stepping down.

If you live in one of the affected districts, you will vote on June 9 at your usual polling place. Be sure to bring photo identification.

IN FAIRFAX COUNTY, in November, all 10 members of the Board of Supervisors are on the ballot including district members and the chairman.

Also on the ballot: all members of the School Board including district members and three at-

Fairfax County's Constitutional Officers, Sheriff, Clerk of Court and Commonwealth's Attorney are on the ballot in November, as are three members of the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District Board

Directors.

Every seat in the Virginia General Assembly will be on the ballot, including all State Senate and House of Del-

egates seats. So every Fairfax County voter will face a variety of critically important choices in November. But first, consider the options on

## On the Ballot June 9, Democratic Primary, **Fairfax County**

MORE ON Fairfax County voting: http:// www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/upcoming.htm

#### Member Board of Supervisors, Mount Vernon District, Democratic Primary

- Four Democrats vie to replace retiring Gerry Hyland Daniel G. "Dan" Storck, Email: danforsupervisor@gmail.com, Website: http:// www.danstorck.org/
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Mount Vernon Gazette/Connection coverage of the Mount Vernon Supervisor race

http://www.connectionnewspapers.com/news/ 2015/may/20/mount-vernon-candidates-seek-primary-victory/

http://www.connectionnewspapers.com/news/

### **Democratic Primary**

Two Democrats compete for the nomination to replace Scott Surovell who is running for Virginia Senate District 36, to replace retiring Toddy Puller

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## **Democratic Primary**

Five Democrats vie to replace Rob Krupicka who is

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- ❖ Clarence Tong, Email: clarence.tong@gmail.com,
- II. Email: larry@larryaltenburg.net, Website: http://
- Craig Fifer, Email: craig@fiferfordelegate.com,

Connection coverage of the race for the 45th

### Member Board of Supervisors, Mason Dis-

Incumbent Penny Gross is facing her first primary

- Penelope A. "Penny" Gross, Email: Website: gross.penny@gmail.com,
- Jessica Swanson. Email: swanson.jessica@gmail.com, Website: http://

Republicans, Party Canvass, June 4. Republicans in the 44th and 45th House District and 30th Senate District will choose candidates at a Party Canvass (sometimes called a firehouse primary) on Thursday, June 4, 6:30 - 8 p.m., at Minnie Howard Campus, 3801 W. Braddock Road, Alexandria.

2015/apr/16/democrats-debate-district-supervisor/

### Member House of Delegates, 44th District,

- Website: http://www.paulkrizek.com
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http://www.connectionnewspapers.com/news/ 2015/may/19/fight-45th/

## trict, Democratic Primary

- www.pennygross.com
- www.swansonforfairfax.com

There are no other Republican canvasses scheduled in any other state or local race in Fairfax County. The Sully district GOP Canvass for member of the Board of Supervisors was held in April. See http:// fairfaxgop.org/

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Displeased with the Headline

To the Editor:

I was deeply displeased to read that your newspaper decided to use "The Importance of Including Everyone" as your headline for Tim Peterson's article about the Fairfax County School Board's vote on including gender identity to their nondiscrimination policy. As of bias and was entirely unneces-

The editors could have easily lead with a generic news headline, like "Fairfax County School Board Votes on Gender Identity." Instead, seeing the words they chose gave me the distinct and awkward impression that they were using a a journalist, I believe this smacks news story to not so subtly tell us

the newspaper supports the school board's decision. In truth, the decision was not about including everyone, just those with "gender identity" issues.

While I applaud Peterson for getting comments from parents on both sides of the issue, the article would have benefited from him probing the deep-seated rationales

for each person's conclusion. My guess is that there was much, much more than bathroom and locker room awkwardness that got those hundreds of parents to show up to the school board meeting.

Juliana Erikson

McLean

# Putting an End to Slaughter of Horses

sending them to slaughter is a betrayal to them and a dishonor to

Every aspect of horse slaughter is nothing but pain and terror for these trusting animals. Whether in

the U.S. or across our borders, it Mexico and Canada. Whether in recreation, work, or was never and cannot be made war, horses have been a part of humane. When horse slaughter America's culture for hundreds of plants operated in the U.S. before years. After horses' loyal service, being shut down in 2007, horses endured long distance transport and suffered severe injuries in horrific conditions.

Furthermore, the existence of domestic plants didn't prevent horses from being exported to

If horse slaughter plants are ever allowed to reopen here, it would come at the cost of millions of taxpayer dollars each year. At a time when Congress is focused on fiscal responsibility and the USDA's budget is already stretched thin, taxpayers shouldn't be forced to foot the bill to enable a practice that 80 percent of Americans op-

I urge U.S. Rep. Barbara Comstock and U.S. Senators Warner and Kaine to please cosponsor the Safeguard American Food Exports Act (H.R. 1942/ S.1214) to put an end to the slaughter of American horses once and for all.

Cynthia Longo Oakton

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# COMMENTARY

# **Transit Means Business!**

BY DELEGATE KENNETH R. "KEN" PLUM (D-36)

couple of weeks ago I dropped off my Prius for service at a dealership near the Spring Hill Station on the Silver Line and caught the Metro for a one-stop trip to the Greensboro Station. At the conference center there I participated in an exciting forum sponsored by the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NVTC) about transit and its importance

to business. Released at the forum were the results of a new study by the Center for Regional Analysis at George Mason University that concluded that "if Northern Virginia is going to be able to effectively compete for non-government related, private sector business development, it must have a state-of-theart, effective, financially sustainable, and efficient multimodal public transit system." It was particularly appropriate that the meeting that attracted more than 140 business, community, and political leaders be held at Tysons Corner that is already undergoing a transformation with the Silver Line and other transportation improvements. There is no stronger proof of the impact of what mass transit can do than to get off at the Tysons Station on the Silver Line and walk directly from the station to the new plaza with a new hotel, restaurants, and office buildings. Already a commercial success, the area now has a great sense of place and community.

Former businessman and now Virginia Secretary of Transportation Aubrey Lane spoke at the conference about the linkage of transit and business development. As quoted in the May 2015 issue of NOVA



Transit News he said, "Phase One is helping to facilitate the transformation of the Tysons area into an urban, walkable center with 200,000 jobs and 100,000 residents. At the Wiehle-Reston East station alone, close to one billion in private investment has been stimulated by the Silver Line. This project is a huge economic driver for the Commonwealth because it connects people to opportunity, stimulates localized economic growth, and provides businesses with a wider pool of consumers who can access their goods

and services."

While the forum was recognition of the success that has been realized in making the region more pedestrian and bicycle friendly and transit supported, it was also a clear call for help in order for more progress to be realized. Federal and state officials need to come up with the funding necessary—especially for Metro. Local governments need to consider transportation issues in making land use decisions and in planning more connectivity with the Metro system. The Northern Virginia Transportation Commission is eagerly seeking suggestions from citizens; go to the website at www.novatransit.org.

The Dulles Corridor Rail Association (DCRA) whose board I chair will give special recognition at its spring event to the transformation that is occurring at Tysons Corner with the work of the Tysons Partnership. In addition, retiring Delegate Tom Rust will be honored for his contributions to transportation in our region. DCRA's spring meeting and reception will be held on the concourse of Tysons Corner Center on June 2, 6 to 8 p.m. More information is available by contacting dcra@dullescorridorrail.com.



**Eddie Rodriguez**, 22, of Woodbridge 18, of Reston



**Dominique May,** 

# Police: Attempted Robbery Results in Death

# Herndon man, 24, killed in Reston; two charged in robbery.

ashad Kejuan Daye, 24, of the Herndon area, was killed Sunday, May 17 during a robbery attempt, according to Fairfax County Po-

Police charged Eddie Rodriguez, 22 of Woodbridge, and Dominique May, 18 of Reston, with attempted robbery and use of a firearm in the commission of a felony.

Four men, including Daye who was killed, entered an apartment in the 11600 block of Stoneview Square around 2:50 p.m. on Sunday afternoon, May 17, according to Lucy Caldwell, public information officer with Fairfax County po-

Detectives believe it was "a robbery attempt that led to an altercation and shooting, resulting in the death of a 24-yearold man that was in the apartment," according to Fairfax County Police reports.

The "men entered an apartment, engaged in some sort of disagreement and one was shot, another was wounded, and others fled the scene," according to police reports. "There were at least two men at home in the apartment, neither [were] injured."

According to police, "subsequent investigation revealed that the men were known to each other and that the incident was not characterized as 'random."

Police said that the weapons believed to be involved in the crime were recovered on scene.

The investigation continues, Caldwell said.

Ken Moore

#### Week in Reston

## PetMAC to Celebrate Grand **Opening**

PetMAC at Lake Anne will hold the Grand Opening Celebration on Saturday, May 30, from 1-4 p.m. World Champion dogs from the Chesapeake Dock Diving Dog Club will demonstrate their leaps and jumps into the lake. There will also be Dog Scent Work demos by Kissable Canine, cooking demonstrations by Culinaria Cooking School, face painting, music, as well as free giveaways and raffles. There will be representatives to talk to from Just Cats Clinic, The Hope Advanced Veterinary Center, Dogtopia, locally-made Golden Nugget Dog Treats, and great foods such as Fromm, Weruva, Answers, Stella & Chewy's, K9Naturals, Zignature and Wild

Park in the Lake Anne Plaza parking lot and walk towards the lake, past Chesapeake Chocolates and the Lake Anne Brew House, and you'll see the party. For more information, go to www.petmac.org/ grandopeningflyer.jpg or call 571-325-2099.



# Dr. Chawla Speaks at the Reston **Lions Meeting**

Dr. Ashish K. Chawla, medical director, Radiation Oncology, Fair Oaks Hospital, Fairfax, spoke to the Reston Lions Club at their regular meeting held at the Hidden Creek Country Club in Reston on Wednesday, May 6. Chawla discussed the diagnosis of and the treatment options for prostate cancer and in detail, the treatment by radiation. In the picture from left, are Gerry Washburn, program chairman; Chawla; club president Donald Leas; and president elect, Anne Ryan.



### Aldrin's Garden Receives Grant

The garden at Aldrin Elementary School was selected as one of the Northern Virginia Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics grant recipients for 2015. The Academy offered elementary schools with existing edible gardens the chance to apply for grant money to support these gardens. Teresa Lucas, from NVAND, visited the garden when she delivered the prize money to Kathy Pursifull (garden coordinator) and Jenny Jaeschke and her kindergarten class of gardeners. Pictured, from left: Jenny Jaeschke, Kathy Pursifull and Teresa Lucas.

# SUMMER FUN: FAIRS & FESTIVALS 2015



Come out on Sundays and listen to some live music at the Great Falls Village Centre Green, Sundays, 6-8 p.m., May 31-Aug. 16.

#### THURSDAY-SUNDAY/MAY 28-31

Herndon Festival, Thursday: 6-10 p.m. Friday 5-11 p.m. Saturday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sunday: 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. Herndon Town Green, 777 Lynn Street, Herndon. Four day outdoor festival with three entertainment stages, a carnival, two fireworks displays, Kid's Alley with children's art area, arts and craft show and more! All ages. Visit www.herndonfestival.net for more

#### FRIDAY/MAY 29 - AUG. 28

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

#### SATURDAY/MAY 30

Arts & Crafts Fair. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Dranesville Church of the Brethren, 11500 Leesburg Pike, Herndon, Silent Auction, homemade desserts and fine china light lunch. Funds will support a comprehensive emergency response and recovery program to assist the Nigerian families made nomeless and suffering by the attacks of Boko Haram. The response will include temporary shelters, emergency food, household supplies, clean water and sanitation, and trauma healing rograms helping to bring peace to Nigeria.

#### SATURDAY/MAY 30-SEPT. 5

Reston Concerts on the Town. 7:30-10 p.m. Reston Town Center. The 25th season is extended through September 5 and kicks off with swing/jump blues favorite Big Joe & the Dynaflows. Bring lawn chairs or picnic blankets and enjoy live music in the Pavilion Saturday nights. Free. Rain or shine. Presented by Reston Town Center and Reston Town Center Association. Alcohol permitted at restaurants only. Concert information: 703-912-4062

#### SATURDAY-SUNDAY/MAY 30-31

Great Falls Artfest on the Green. Saturday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday: 11 a.m. - 8 p.m. Great Falls Village Green. Great Falls Studios Spring Art Show and Sale under the big tent and a few little tents, too. A plein air competition and quick draw. With prizes and a reception. Sponsored by Arts of Great Falls. Then, a grand finale "Blues Explosion" to close the weekend and start the always popular season of Concerts on the Green by Celebrate Great Falls. For complete schedule and updates visit http://www.greatfallsart.org/

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

Vintage Virginia Wine and Food Festival. 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Bull Run Regional Park, 7700 Bull Run Drive, Centreville, A fun-filled day with food, musical entertainment and more. Visit www.vintagevirginia.com for more.

#### SUNDAY/MAY 31- AUG. 16

Great Falls Concerts on the Green. 6-8 p.m Great Falls Village Centre Green, Come out or ndays and listen to some live music. Full schedule list: http:// www.celebrategreatfalls.org/concerts-on-the-

#### SUNDAY/MAY 31

5K/10K Races. 7:30 a.m. . Herndon Town Green 777 Lynn Street, Herndon. A race that takes you through historic downtown Herndon during the Herndon Festival weekend. Both races are USATF Certified. For registration and information visit www.herndonfestival.net.

Avenue of Art. 1-5 p.m. Church Street in Vienna. Church Street becomes a pedestrian plaza with dozens of artists selling their original art and jewelry. There will be free art demonstrations. children's projects, face painting, caricatures, photo opportunities, food and wine. Music by the Difficult Run String Band. 703-319-3971.

#### MONDAY/JUNE 1

**Great Falls Annual Charity Golf** 

Tournament. Hidden Creek Golf & Country Club Reston. Join for a morning or afternoon round of golf and support our three Great Falls elementary schools while you are at it. Individual golfers are \$175 and foursomes are \$600. Opportunities for sponsorships available! For nore information: www.celebrategreatfalls.org.

#### FRIDAY-SUNDAY/JUNE 5-7

Celebrate Fairfax! Festival. Friday: 6 p.m. midnight; Saturday: 10 a.m.-midnight; and Sunday: 11 a.m.-7p.m. Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Musical performances, rides, games and food. Call 703-324-3247 or visit www.celebratefairfax.com/

#### **SATURDAY/JUNE 13**

Taste of Annandale. 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. Tom Davis Drive in central Annandale, between Columbia Pike and John Marr Drive. The first-ever Taste of Annandale will showcase local restaurants during a daylong family-friendly celebration aimed at building community spirit, engaging young people, and promoting local businesses. Other activities include a 5K "Diamond Dash" Fun Run; multicultural music, dance, and other live entertainment; a chili cook-off pitting Fairfax County police officers against firefighters; and a and other activities.

#### SATURDAY-SUNDAY/JUNE 13-14

2nd Lake Anne Chalk on the Water Festival. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Lake Anne Plaza, 1609 Washington Plaza, Reston. Chalk on the Water is a two-day street-painting festival where participants will create amazing street art.



The chalk mural of Penny Hauffe. Hauffe won second place prize in the professional artist category for her work in the 2014 Chalk Festival at Lake Anne Plaza. This year's festival will take place June 12-13.

Festival goers can purchase a "plot" of brick space on the plaza and paint to their hearts delight whatever flows from their imagination. Cost for spaces are \$5 for children, \$10 for adults, and \$15 for professional artist. Register at

#### SUNDAY/JUNE 14

Love Your Body Yoga Festival. Yoga studios and wellness centers of Northern Virginia will be offering classes, services, and information on ways to care for your body, along with live entertainment and activities for children Donations to participate in classes benefit Cornerstones. Presented by Beloved Yoga. www.belovedyoga.com.

Lake Anne Summer Film Festival: My Big Fat Greek Wedding. 8 p.m. Lake Anne Plaza, 1609 Washington Plaza, Reston. The free outdoor festival will take place each month on selected Sunday's and will feature some great flicks from classic to comedy. Grab a date, the family or a group of friends, bring the lawn chairs and a picnic and enjoy flicks under the stars.

#### THURSDAYS/JUNE 18-SEPT. 3

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

#### FRIDAY-SUNDAY/JUNE 19-21

Taste of Reston. Friday: 3-11 p.m.; Saturday: noon-11 p.m. Sunday: 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. Reston Town Center, 11900 Market St., Reston. Carnival games and rides with a family fun zone. Visit ww.restontaste.com for more

#### WEDNESDAYS/JUNE 24-AUG. 19

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

#### FRIDAY-SUNDAY/JUNE 26-JULY 5

World Police & Fire Games. Thousands of athletes from 70 countries will converge in Fairfax County for 10 days of competitions Entertainment and activities will be hosted by Reston Town Center during the games. Fairfax2015.com

#### SATURDAY/JULY 4

Herndon 4th of July Celebration. 7 p.m. Bready Park at the Herndon Community Center, 814 Ferndale Ave., Herndon. A family-fun event featuring games, arts and craft activities, bingo, food face painting, balloon artists, and fireworks. Visit www.herndon-va.gov for more.

Vienna 4th of July Festival and Fireworks Show. 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Live musical nent, arts and crafts for kids, antique and classic car show and fireworks. Visit www.viennava.gov for more.

#### SUNDAY/JULY 12

Lake Anne Summer Film Festival: E.T. 8 p.m. Lake Anne Plaza, 1609 Washington Plaza Reston. The free outdoor festival will take place each month on selected Sunday's and will feature some great flicks from classic to comedy. Grab a date, the family or a group of friends, bring the lawn chairs and a picnic and enjoy flicks under

#### SATURDAY-SUNDAY/JULY 18-19

Claude Moore Colonial Farm 1771 Market **Fair**. 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at 6310 Georgetown Pike, McLean. Sit in the shade and savor roast chicken and spicy sausages, enjoy dancing and singing with the fiddler, test your water color and writing skills with Mr. Andrews at the Stationer. Visit http://1771.org for more.

#### FRIDAY/JULY 19

2015 Tour de Tysons Bicycle Races. 7 a.m.-5 o.m. Jones Branch Drive, Tysons Corner, Ten bicycle races, food trucks and vendors. The Tour le Tysons is a fun experience for the whole family — compete or simply enjoy. Visit www.tysonspartnership.com for more.

#### SATURDAY/AUG. 8

**Silver Line Music & Food Truck Festival.** 12-9 p.m. Lerner Town Square at Tysons II, 8025 Galleria Drive, Tysons. Admission is free, over 20 food trucks and fun.



val. This year's festival will take place May 28-31 at the Herndon town green, 777 Lynn Street.

#### SUNDAY/AUG. 9

Lake Anne Summer Film Festival: West Side Story. 8 p.m. Lake Anne Plaza, 1609 ington Plaza, Reston. The free outdoor festival will take place each month on selected Sunday's and will feature some great flicks from classic to comedy. Grab a date, the family or a group of friends, bring the lawn chairs and a cnic and enjoy flicks under the stars

#### SUNDAY/AUG. 30

Lake Anne Summer Film Festival: Jazz on a Summer's Day. 8 p.m. Lake Anne Plaza, 1609 Washington Plaza, Reston. The free outdoor festival will take place each month on selected Sunday's and will feature some great flicks from classic to comedy.

### September

#### SATURDAY/SEPT. 5

Lake Anne Jazz Festival. 2 p.m. Lake Anne Plaza Showcasing a variety of talented local emerging artista and national jazz performers. Beer garden on site. Visit http://lakeanneplaza.com/event/ th-annual-lake-anne-jazz-festival/

#### MONDAY/SEPT. 7

Herndon Labor Day Festival. 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Herndon Town Green, 777 Lynn St., Herndon Great music, a craft show, food, 12 wineries and micro-brews and culinary demonstrations. Visit www.herndon-va.gov for more.

#### SATURDAY/SEPT. 19

Dulles Day Plane Pull. 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. at Dulles International Airport, Dulles. A full day of excitement with airplane and auto exhibits, the children's zone and bus pull, varied displays and activities, vendors, food and entertainment.

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

# Celebrate Fairfax! Returns June 5-7

Festival at Fairfax County Government Center features headline bands: KONGOS, 3 Doors Down, The Amish Outlaws — and much more.

orthern Virginia's largest community-wide event, the 34th annual Celebrate Fairfax! Festival, is set to take place June 5, 6, and 7 on the grounds of the Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. The Celebrate Fairfax! Festival features 25 acres of family programs, green living, thrilling carnival rides, nightly fireworks, and amazing concerts with more than 130 performances on eight stages. An exceptional line-up of national, regional, and local artists includes these headlining performances:

In addition to the outstanding entertainment schedule, there are plenty of enhance-

## 2015 Headline Entertainment Schedule for the Bud Light Main Stage

#### \* FRIDAY, JUNE 5 AT 8 P.M.: KONGOS

The brothers KONGOS — multi-cultural, multifaceted, multi-instrumentalists — craft a unique and irresistible sound spawned from shared DNA, diverse influences and spot-on melodic and lyrical sensibilities. On Lunatic, their Epic Records debut, the band's talent shines on "Come With Me Now"; the rock-alt crossover tune kicking off with the accordion, jumping into foot-stomping, staccato rhythms, slide guitar, and soaring epic soundscapes reminiscent of U2 and their South African upbringing. "I'm Only Joking," whose lyrics hint at the album's title, hits the mark with decisive tribal rhythms and Pink Floyd-esque mysterious modern rock. Thanks to an earlier self-release of Lunatic, KONGOS are already stars overseas, playing their numerous hits off Lunatic for crowds of up to 65,000 at South African festivals

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 6 AT 8 P.M. 3 DOORS DOWN

Since forming in 1995, Mississippi rock quintet 3 DOORS DOWN has sold more than 16 million albums worldwide, garnered three Grammy nominations, two American Music Awards, and five BMI Pop Awards for songwriting, including BMI's coveted "Songwriter of the Year" award. The band's debut album, 2000s The Better Life, which is now certified six times platinum, featured the smash hit "Kryptonite." Their sophomore album. 2002s Away from the Sun, saw similar success with its radio mainstays "When I'm Gone" and "Here Without You," Their subsequent efforts 2005s platinum certified Seventeen Days and 2008s 3 Doors Down debuted at #1 on the Billboard Hot 200 Chart. In 2012, 3 DOORS DOWN released The Greatest Hits, a collection of nine #1 hits and three new songs, returning to the Top 5 at radio with "One Light." The band will begin recording their sixth studio album in early 2015.

#### \* SUNDAY, JUNE 7 AT 4:30 P.M. THE AMISH OUTLAWS

THE AMISH OUTLAWS are made up of former and "Honorary Amish" men in full Amish garb that dance and sing a range of covers from Lady Gaga to Bon Jovi to Johnny Cash. THE AMISH OUTLAWS like to keep their audience guessing as to what they could possibly play next. The members include Brother Amos Def, Brother Big Daddy Abel, Brother Eazy Ezekiel, Brother Elijah Rule, Brother Hezekiah X and Brother Jakob the Pipe Layer. According to their website, throughout each show, THE Amish OUTLAWS "spin yarns about the Brothers' upbringing and adventures since Rumpsringa."



The Shupp Family enjoys their time in the Petting Zoo.

ments to the festival programming at Celebrate Fairfax!, including Greenology, Fairfax County Karaoke Championship, the popular Silent Disco, a craft beer garden, the 501(c)3 organization commissioned in 1982 Fairfax County DockDogs Competition, The by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors. games and two stages of entertainment - County and Its Communities," is met through Emerging Artist Showcase, plus more than the production of the Celebrate Fairfax! Fes-40 carnival rides and attractions, and 30 food vendors with enough variety to please

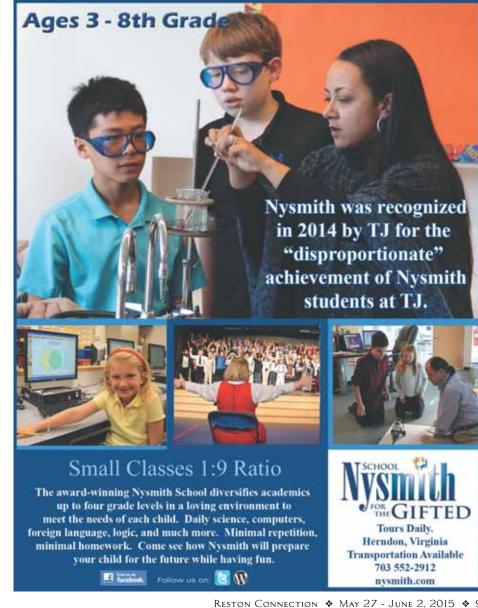
General admission includes all perfor-

mances; shows are included with daily tickets to the event. Advance ticket sales began on April 1 at www.celebratefairfax.com, and as of May 1, tickets are available at all Northern Virginia Wegmans locations.

At the gates, general admission is \$15 per adult; \$5 per youth; free for children 2 and

Festival Hours: Friday, June 5, open 6 p.m. until 12 a.m.; Saturday, June 6, open 10 a.m. until 12 a.m.; Sunday, June 7, open 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. Find more information at www.celebratefairfax.com

The 34th annual Celebrate Fairfax! Festival is a presentation of Celebrate Fairfax, Inc. and will be held Friday, June 5 through Sunday, June 7 at Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Celebrate Fairfax, Inc. is a nonprofit, tival, Fall for Fairfax KidsFest, and educational programs such as Events101. For more information call 703-324-3247 or visit the website at www.celebratefairfax.com.



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# Lord and Lady Fairfax Crowned

# In Dranesville, Sarah C. Kirk and Robert D. Vickers Jr.

elebrate Fairfax, Inc. announced the 2015 Lords and Ladies Fairfax at the Board of Supervisors meeting on Tuesday, May 12 at the Fairfax County Government Center.

"The tradition of honoring Lords and Ladies Fairfax began in 1984 to recognize exceptional citizens of Fairfax County," according to Celebrate Fairfax. The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors selects two people from each district who have demonstrated superior volunteer service, heroism or other special accomplishments.

Supervisor John Foust awarded this year's Lady Fairfax honor in Dranesville to Sarah C. Kirk, a horsewoman, entrepreneur, mother of six children and a 30-plus year resident of Fairfax County, he said.

"When the riding arena opened at Turner Farm Park, Fairfax County Park Authority leadership asked for help in maintaining it," said Foust. "Ms. Kirk had an idea, and the charity, Turner Farm Events, or TFE, was born."

Turner Farm Events raises funds and has donated more than \$13,000 to the Park Authority by running horse shows and other equestrian events at the park. It has purchased new jumps, poles and equipment.

"Putting her passions into action, Ms. Kirk engages like-minded souls and makes good things happen in Fairfax County," said Foust.

In 2013 after her daughter died of suicide, Kirk founded the Becky Love Foundation, a charity to raise funds and awareness for mental health. Last year, the Foundation held a fundraiser at Turner Farm Park, Mothers 5K for Mental Health, and raised more than \$3,000.

Foust honored Robert D. Vickers Jr. as Lord Fairfax in the Dranesville District, a "strong advocate for tree preservation."

Vickers has been the Dranesville District representative on the Fairfax County Tree Commission for the past eight years.

"Mr. Vickers was the driving force behind the creation of the Fairfax County Celebrated Tree program, which has since led



The Board of Supervisors named the 2015 Lords and Ladies Fairfax on Tuesday, May 12.

to 70 of the largest trees in the County being placed in the Virginia Big Tree database, including about 20 current state champions and three former national champions," said Foust. "Since becoming Chairman of the Commission in 2012, he has greatly improved the annual County Tree Preservation and Planting awards process, and he continues to work closely with citizens groups in McLean, Great Falls and Herndon to preserve and protect our endangered urban tree canopy for future generations."

The Lords and Ladies will be honored at a special dinner hosted by Great American Restaurants, Celebrate Fairfax, Inc., and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, on Tuesday, June 2, 2015.

# At Large: Kate Hanley and Lt. Col. John P. McAnaw

Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova named Katherine K. Hanley, former Board Chairman, as this year's At-Large Lady Fairfax.

Hanley was first elected to the Fairfax County School Board, then the Board of Supervisors as the Providence District Supervisor and then as Board of Supervisors Chairman.

"During her tenure, Ms. Hanley worked tirelessly with other members of the Board, not only advocating for education, but also for human services and affordable housing. In recognition, a homeless shelter for families, was named after her. Recently additional transitional housing units called 'Kate's Place' were built adjacent to the shelter," said Bulova.

Hanley was instrumental in the establishment of the Revenue Stabilization fund along with a significant investment in building Fairfax County's Information Technology infrastructure, said Bulova. "She was also a great proponent of transportation initiatives, helping to position the Silver Line for federal funding."

After leaving the Board of Supervisors, Hanley served as Secretary of the Commonwealth, and is now on the Metropolitan Washington Airport Authority, the Fairfax County Electoral Board and the Community Services Board. She has led the bipartisan election commission, the committee on the meals tax, an effort that brought together disparate, competing groups who came up with a near unanimous vote to bring a report to the Board of Supervisors, said Bulova.

Bulova cited Lt. Col. John P. McAnaw's love for history, love of country and love of service reasons she named him the 2015 Lord Fairfax.

"Lt. Col. John P. McAnaw is well known for his tireless work to preserve history in Fairfax County," said Bulova. "His love of our past earned him a Lifetime Achievement Award from the History Commission for his decades of service as a Civil War Historian."

The Park Authority honored Lt. Col. McAnaw by naming a Recreation area for his significant preservation efforts.

A veteran serving in leadership roles within VFW Post 8469, Lt. Col. McAnaw is the past President of the Bull Run Civil War Roundtable. He helped lead the effort to preserve Ox Hill, an important Civil War site. In addition to this, he is also a Board Member of the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum and has served as a historian for a number of local organizations in Fairfax County.

In his Kings Park West community, Lt. Col. McAnaw has served as Chairman of the Parks committee, leading numerous efforts to mobilize scouts and volunteers to build and maintain trails throughout the parkland surrounding Royal Lake.

— Ken Moore

# FARMERS MARKETS

#### WEDNESDAYS

Oak Marr Farmers Market. 8 a.m. - noon. Wednesdays, May 6- Nov. 18. Oak Marr Park & RECenter, 3200 Jermantown Road, Oakton. http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/ farmersmarkets/viennamkt.htm

Wakefield Farmers Market. 2-6 p.m.
Wednesdays, May 6-Oct. 28. 8100 Braddock
Road, Annandale. 703-321-7081. http://
www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets/
wakefieldmkt.htm

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

#### THURSDAYS

Herndon Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Thursdays, May 7-Nov. 12. Old Town Herndon,
700 Block of Lynn Street, Herndon. Twelve
Vendors sell a variety of products including
kettle corn and fresh made Italian pasta.
Owww.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/
farmersmarkets/herndonmkt.htm

Fairfax's Government Center Farmers
Market. 3-7 p.m. Thursdays, May 7-Oct. 29.
Fairfax County Government Center, 12000
Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Ten
vendors including a Middle Eastern delicacy
bakery and custom organic ice cream shop.

#### FRIDAYS

McLean Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Fridays, May 1-Nov. 20. 1659 Chain Bridge Road, McLean. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/ farmersmarkets/mcleanmkt.htm

Kingstowne Farmers Market. 4-7 p.m. Fridays, May 1-Oct. 30. Giant Parking Lot, 5955 Kingstowne Towne Center, Alexandria. Vendors products include fresh organic honey and hand held pies and rolls.www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ parks/farmersmarkets/kingstownemkt.htm.

#### **SATURDAYS**

**Burke Farmers Market**. 8 a.m.-noon. Saturdays, May 2-Nov. 21. 5671 Roberts Parkway, Burke. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets/

Reston Farmers Market. 8 a.m.-noon.
Saturdays, May 2-Nov. 14. Named the best farmers market in Northern Virginia by Virginia Living Magazine. Lake Anne Village Center, 11401 North Shore Drive, Reston.http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets/restonmkt.htm

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

oringfield Farmers Market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m Springfield Town Center, 6699 Spring Mall Drive, Springfield. www.smartmarkets.org.

# Calendar

Send announcements to reston@ connectionnewspapers.com. The deadline is the Friday prior to the following week's paper. Photos/artwork encouraged.

#### THURSDAY/MAY 28

History Lecture Series. 7-9 p.m. Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Rd., Reston. Join in at the Jo Ann Rose Gallery for film clips and a panel presentation on "The Mobil Years - Reston in the 1980's." Vicky Wingert will show film clips from Storycatcher Productions that capture some of the stories of those years. These will be followed by a discussion among our panelists who were instrumental in Reston's development during the Gulf Years: Jim Cleveland, Chuck Veatch and others. Come learn first-hand about the issues of those times. There will be a chance to ask questions of all the presenters

#### THURSDAY-SUNDAY/MAY 28-31

Herndon Festival. Thursday: 6-10 p.m. Friday 5-11 p.m. Saturday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sunday: 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. Herndon Town Green, 777 Lynn Street, Herndon. Four day outdoor festival with three entertainment stages, a carnival, two fireworks displays, Kid's Alley with children's art area, arts and craft show and more! All ages. Visit www.herndonfestival.net for more information.

#### FRIDAY/MAY 29

Wine Tasting. 4 - 6 p.m. Walker
Nature Center, 11450 Glade Drive,
Reston. Senior Adults, 55 years and
older. Enjoy an evening of wine
tasting in a beautiful setting. Sample
red and white wines along with a
variety of cheese and crackers. The
evening includes a tour of the
gardens and a short trail. Look for
spring wildflowers, as well as birds
and insects, that are sampling their
own sweet "ambrosia." Contact
Ashleigh@reston.org or call 703-4356530 for reservations. Reservations
required by May 26. Fee: \$10/person
RA members, \$14/person Nonmembers

Family Splash at RCC Pool. 7-9 p.m. Drop in for a night of family fun. The family splash entry fee is \$15.50 Reston/\$31 Non-Reston (for groups up to seven people). Groups of eight or more must pre-register by calling the Aquatics Service Desk at 703-390-6150. - See more at: http://www.restoncommunitycenter.com/attend-shows-events-exhibits/event-detail/2015/05/29/default-calendar/family-splash-at-rcc-pool-May29#sthash.IFURYgJK.dpuf

#### SATURDAY/MAY 30

PetMAC Grand Opening. 1-4 p.m.
Lake Anne Plaza, 1609 Washington
Plaza, Reston. World Champion dogs
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For more information, call the shop
at 571-325-2099.

We've Got Your Back Race for Spinal Health. 9 a.m. - noon. 1831 Wiehle Avenue, Reston. Join the Spinal Research Foundation for a timed 5K, 1 mile Fun Run, Healthy Living Festival, Kids Corner and celebration of Spinal Champions. If you've overcome back or neck issues, be sure to register as a Spinal Champion to receive your official T-shirt, exclusive access to the Spinal Champion Tent and VIP benefits, including free post-race brunch and massages.

SATURDAY/MAY 30-SEPT. 5 Reston Concerts on the Town.

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Carnival Rides are traditionally one of the most popular festival attractions at Herndon Festival, May 28-30, Herndon Town Green, 777 Lynn Street. This four day outdoor festival has three entertainment stages, two fireworks displays, Kid's Alley with children's art area, arts and craft show and more. All ages. Visit www.herndonfestival.net for more information.

7:30-10 p.m. Reston Town Center. The 25th season is extended through September 5 and kicks off with swing/jump blues favorite Big Joe & the Dynaflows. Bring lawn chairs or picnic blankets and enjoy live music in the Pavilion Saturday nights. Free. Rain or shine. Presented by Reston Town Center and Reston Town Center Association. Alcohol permitted at restaurants only. Concert information: 703-912-4062 www.restontowncenter.com/concerts

#### TUESDAY/JUNE 2

**Another Way of Living: The Story** of Reston. 7:30 p.m. CenterStage, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. Join Peabody Award-winner Rebekah Wingert-Jabi as she discusses the process of editing a film for submission to festivals and for consideration by television broadcasters. Rebekah will update the progress of Another Way of Living: The Story of Reston, VA and share some of the excerpts that landed on "the cutting room floor" during the editing process. Both excruciating and exhilarating, editing is a part of great filmmaking that is rarely seen or discussed. Come enjoy a first-hand tour of how it works.

#### WEDNESDAY/JUNE 3

Teddy Bear Picnics. 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. North Hills Picnic Pavilion, 1325 North Village Road, Reston. Bear lovers are invited to a bearific morning, which includes bear stories, crafts and fun! Bring a picnic lunch and your favorite teddy bear. Earl the Squirrel will be on hand to have your child's picture taken with him so don't forget your camera. Contact Ashleigh@reston.org or 703-435-6577 to register.

#### THURSDAY/JUNE 4

Community Cookouts. 5 p.m.
Hunters Woods Pool, 2501 Reston
Parkway, Reston. Bring the family
out for a free cookout at the pool.
Hot dogs, hamburgers, chips and
drinks are provided along with live
music.

SATURDAY/JUNE 6
The 2nd Annual Born to Run

Memorial 5K and Family Fun Run. 8:30 a.m. Sponsored by the Franklin Middle PTA, it's in tribute to former Franklin P.E. teacher Jannine Parisi, a domestic-violence victim who died Nov. 20, 2013. The majority of proceeds will go to the National Alliance on Mental Illness of Northern Virginia. All participants will receive medals, and those registered by May 24 will receive commemorative T-shirts. For more information and to register, go to https://prracing.enmotive.com.

History of the C&O Canal. 2 p.m.
Reston Regional Library, 119235
Bowman Towne Drive. Mike High,
author of the C&O Canal Companion,
will present an illustrated lecture on
the ways Great Falls, the Potomac
River, and the C&O Canal shaped the
history of Northern Virginia. Books
will be available for sale and signing.
Adults.

#### MONDAY/JUNE 8

Fun with Eric Carle. 9 a.m. Lake Fairfax, 1400 Lake Fairfax Drive, Reston. Children are introduced to a variety of Eric Carle books while playing games and learning about life cycles and nature. The fun includes arts and crafts, puppetry, acting, hiking and songs. An activity fee of \$5 is due on the first day. Bring snack, lunch and drink daily. For information call 703-689-3104. (Katydid Camps) to register, call 703-222-4664.

#### THURSDAY/JUNE 11

Paint Your Own Pet. 6:30-8:30 p.m. Brown's Chapel, 1575 Brown's Chapel Road, Reston. Paint for a cause by sending in a photo of your pet and it'll be pre-sketched with his/ her features onto an 11x14" canvas. During the class, apply painting techniques that will bring your portrait to life. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to local animal shelters. Fee: \$60 per person. Includes all materials, gourmet goody bags and light refreshments. Register online www.TheArtStation.com/ RestonPYOP. Must register and send photo by June 1. Info@TheArtStation.com. 703-777-





# Sports

# Chantilly Baseball Beats Oakton for Conference 5 Championship

# DiCesare drives in winning run, earns victory on mound.

By Jon Roetman The Connection

fter driving in the go-ahead run in the bottom of the fifth inning, Chantilly's Jared DiCesare stepped on the mound and ensured there would be no three-peat for the Oakton baseball team.

DiCesare gave the Chargers the lead with an RBI single down the third-base line and the junior right-hander pitched three innings of scoreless relief as Chantilly defeated Oakton 2-1 in the Conference 5 championship game on May 22 at Westfield High School.

Facing the Cougars in the conference/district final for the third straight year, the Chargers fell behind 1-0 after Oakton shortstop Joe Rizzo blasted a solo homer in the third inning. The Cougars remained in front until the bottom of the fifth, when Chantilly senior Kordell Hutzell tied the score with an RBI double off Oakton pitcher Toma Shigaki-Than. Three batters later, DiCesare snuck a grounder down the third-base line, giving the Chargers a 2-1 lead.

"[Shigaki-Than] located [the pitch] perfectly, but I know I just didn't want to get behind in the count, so I wanted to see if I could drive something," DiCesare said. "Thankfully, I found a little hole down third-base line."

DiCesare, who came on in relief in the top of the fifth inning, retired six of the final seven batters he faced to secure the win.

"Payback," DiCesare said, "feels great." DiCesare allowed two hits, walked one and struck out one in three shutout innings.

"He's been consistent for us," Chantilly head coach Kevin Ford said about DiCesare. "He's our third baseman [and he] might be our best pitcher. As we've moved more and more into the postseason, we've looked to go to him more. He's just really tough on the mound. He throws strikes. He just throws strike after strike after strike."



Oakton sophomore pitcher Toma Shigaki-Than suffered a tough-luck loss against Chantilly in the Conference 5 championship game on May 22, allowing two runs on four hits in six innings.

Chantilly will be Conference 5's No. 1 seed in the 6A North region tournament and will host Stonewall Jackson at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, May 29. Oakton will be the conference's No. 2 seed and will host Battle-field

Oakton defeated Chantilly in the 2013 and 2014 conference/district championship games. Last year, the Chargers won both regular-season matchups before losing to the Cougars 5-1 in the conference final. Chantilly would bounce back, however, win-

ning the region championship and advancing to the state championship game.

This season, Chantilly again won both regular-season meetings with Oakton, but this time found a way to win a third time.

The Chargers' last district championship came in 2008, when Chantilly beat Oakton at Westfield High School.

"It means a lot," Ford said. "This is the third time in a row it's been Chantilly and Oakton and we finally had to go to a neutral site to win one. ... Maybe Westfield is our lucky place."

hitting a solo home run in the third inning of the

Conference 5 championship game on May 22.

DiCesare finished 2-for-3 at the plate. Hutzell and Brady Ryan each had a hit for the Chargers.

Shigaki-Than suffered the loss for Oakton. The sophomore right-hander allowed two runs on four hits over six innings. He walked two and struck out eight.

"I thought he was really good tonight,"
Oakton head coach Justin Janis said. "...
He mixed all his pitches. He really didn't
give up a lot of hard-hit balls."



Photos by Louise Krafft/The Connection Oakton shortstop Joe Rizzo touches home plate after

# South Lakes Track Teams Win Conference 6 Championships

South Lakes successfully defended its titles in winning both the boys' and girls' 2015 Conference 6 outdoor track and field championships May 19-20 in Reston.

It is the fifth consecutive title for the girls' team and the second straight and seventh in the past eight years for the boys' team. The girls scored 142 points. James Madison was second with 101 and Langley finished third (78). On the boys' side, SLHS scored 191 points, followed by Madison (96) and McLean (74). Both teams also won the Conference 6 indoor championships last February.

Junior Skander Ballard dominated the

two-day competition, leading a sweep of the 400 meters (50.15), as a member of the winning 4x400 meter relay team (3:27.83), finishing second in the 200 meters (22.87), triple jump (42-01.75) and pole vault (12-00.00) and placing third in the long jump (20-00.25). Junior Nikolai Waithe and seniors Sam Arpee and Ryan LaPorte teamed with Ballard in the 4x400.

Eric Kirlew, also a junior, won the long jump (20-03.50), triple jump (42-04.25) and teamed with sophomore Timiebi Ogobri, junior Anas Fain and senior Timothy Logan in winning the 4x100 meter relay (44.43).

Fain also won the 300 hurdles (41.38) and finished second (15.04) to senior Nathan Stone (14.93) in the 110 high hurdles. Fain was third in the high jump (5-08.00) and triple jump (41-11.25). Stone took second in the high jump (6-02.00).

In the girls' team victory, sophomore Devyn Jones won the 100 meter hurdles (15.13), finished second in the 300 meter hurdles (47.36) and long jump (17-03.25) and teamed with seniors Comfort Reed, Ozioma Chinaka and sophomore Nikayla Hoyte for second in the 4x100 meter relay (50.60).

Reed won the triple jump (36-05.50) and was fourth in the long jump (16-07.25).

Chinaka, who was second in the shot (28-02.00), fourth in the pole vault (7-09.00), teamed with senior Claire Nieusma, junior Golden Kumi-Darfour and sophomore Jessica Lister to win the 4x400 meter relay in 4:01.72. Nieusma also won the 300 meter hurdles in 47.36 and was fourth in the 100 hurdles (17.35).

South Lakes will compete in the 6A North region championships May 28-29 at James Robinson Secondary School in Fairfax.

# **B2G Matchmaking** Conference Continues to Grow

The third Annual Northern Virginia B2G Matchmaking Conference took place May 13, with more than 240 small business attendees who engaged in matchmaking appointments with 25 local, state and federal agencies and prime contractors. The event continues to grow every year with more than 30 exhibitors displaying their services at the Small Business Solution Lounge.

A report from Fairfax County Economic Development Authority, states the U.S. federal government is the largest buyer of goods and services and more contracts are awarded to companies in Fairfax County than any other county or city in the U.S. In fact, \$23.7 billion worth of contracts were awarded in FY 2014. Despite this staggering fact, there were no local matchmaking opportunities for agencies and primes to meet small businesses until two years ago when the Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce members initiated the Northern Virginia B2G Matchmaking Conference.

"The growth of the B2G Matchmaking Conference is significant and is a testament to The Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce commitment to being the catalyst of small business development and growth in

the Northern Virginia area," said Mark

#### PEOPLE

# Restonian Honored with Influential Women of Virginia Award

The Wise Investor Group at Robert W. Baird & Co., a team of experienced financial professionals offering financial planning, portfolio management, investment analysis and account services, announced that Managing Director and Financial Advisor Nancy Osmond Popovich of Reston has been named to Virginia Lawyers Weekly's Influential Women of Virginia for 2015.

The award recognizes the outstanding efforts of women in the Commonwealth in all fields, including law, business, health care, education and the arts. The honors are given to individuals who are making notable contributions to their chosen professions, their communities and society at large.

Popovich, Portfolio Manager and Certified Divorce Financial Analyst joined The Wise Investor Group in 2004 with the goal of helping clients gain a greater understanding of and control over their own financial lives. She specializes in asset allocation, investment strategies, financial planning and wealth transfer, and has dedicated her practice to helping both her clients and the broader community.

"Nancy is most deserving of this award. Her contribution and leadership has been invaluable to the Virginia Hospital Center Foundation," said Steven A. Rubloff, president at the Virginia Hospital Center Foundation. "More than fundraising. Nancy's



Supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield), Mark Ingrao and Antonio Doss at the Northern Virginia B2G Matchmaking Conference.

Ingrao, president and CEO of the Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce.

Two separate Gallup polls found access to funding and government regulation rank among small business' top concerns. Antonio Doss, Washington Metropolitan Area Director of the Small Business Administration (SBA) addressed some of these issues when he talked about the recent expansion to the Small Business Association online tool, LINC-Leveraging Information and Networks to Access Capital.

Doss announced the LINC matchmaking tool is now available to all seven (a) lenders nationwide, which constitutes a huge step toward giving small business entrepreneurs access to essential sources of capital in all 50 states and the U.S. territories. Learn more at www.RestonChamber.org.



Courtesy photo **Nancy Popovich** 

leadership and outreach for the Women's Health and Empowerment Circle has resulted in events attracting close to 100 women."

In addition to her current role as Managing Director and Financial Advisor with The Wise Investor Group, Popovich plays an active role in Baird's mentoring program and has been on the committee of the Baird Network of Women Financial Advisors since 2008. She is also a seminar lecturer, mentor to younger women in the financial sector and regular host of The Wise Investor Show, aired live in the Washington, D.C., area every Sunday and the weekly Wise Investor Show podcast.

# 'A Great Dad with a Huge Heart'



Jack Kenny, 78, of Reston, Dies.

BY BRIAN McNicoll

few weeks ago, Jack Kenny was talking to me about a project he wanted me to work on for our Knights of Columbus Council at St. Thomas a' Becket Catholic Church in Reston.

I was telling him this was the worst time of year for it because of various spring sports

"Oh, I know how that goes," he said. "I coached soccer. I coached baseball. I ran soccer leagues. I did the uniforms. Everything ... for years."

It was his nice way of saying "super busy" is not an excuse. I got the message. And I was far from the only person he had reached in this way.

John Joseph "Jack" Kenny III, 78, who died May 20 of complications from congestive heart failure, was a natural leader, one of those people who had a knack for quietly moving his fellow man. He'd commanded destroyers during the Vietnam War and retired in 1980 with the rank of Commander and numerous commendations and

He had become a successful entrepreneur after he retired and was serving the U.S. intelligence community at the time of his death. He was a longtime member of the Fairfax County Republican Committee and the Republican Club of Greater Reston.

He worked at one time for Bob Dix, who represented Hunter Mill District on the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors. "He loved our community and was a significant contributor for many years," Dix said. "He will be missed."

Jack was one of the founders and organizers of the RCGR annual Lincoln-Reagan Day Dinner. He most recently helped organize Reston Organized for the Advancement of Republicanism, a newly formed social and political group of Republican activists and loyalists.

He was not just a member of the Knights

of Columbus since 1956, he was the Grand Knight of Father Findlay Council.

After his Naval career took him to Chicago, Jacksonville, Newport, R.I., and Norfolk, as well as Vietnam, he settled for good in Northern Virginia in 1980. As his five children - Mari Beth Granger, who lives in Delaware, Lisa Toler of Fairfax Station, Julie Theriot of Pearland, Texas, John Kenny of Vienna and Stephen Kenny of Durham, N.C. - made their way through school, he assumed leadership roles in their youth and school organizations.

He, became active in the parent-teacher organizations at Springfield Estates Elementary, Key Middle School and Lee High School, serving as president at various times. He coached all five of his kids in soccer and also coached baseball. He also served as league director and uniform director for Springfield Youth Club soccer.

In the early '90s, he moved to Reston and assumed leadership roles in his church and in the Republican Party. He was an active and much-beloved member of Hidden Creek Country Club in Reston, and he wrote a column on politics for The Connection.

How did Jack Kenny assume so many leadership roles in so many organizations, large and small?

"I think it goes back to when he was 8 years old and joined the Boy Scouts," said his daughter, Lisa. "He lived that code - to help others and serve the community. He had a strong sense of what he believed in and he never wavered.

"He also was a great dad with a huge heart. We never wanted or needed for anything. We all feel very blessed."

### **Memorial Services**

Memorial Services will be held on Wednesday, May 27, 5-8 p.m. at the Fairfax Memorial Funeral Home, 9902 Braddock Road in Fairfax. Funeral Services will be held on Thursday, May 28, with viewing from 10 to 11 a.m. and service at 11 a.m. at St. Thomas a Becket Catholic Church, 1421 Wiehle Ave. in Reston. All are invited to a luncheon in Findlay Hall (located at the church) immediately following Mass. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Jack's name to Haiti Project/Bercy School. Make checks payable to St. Thomas a Becket Catholic Church (with "Haiti Project/Bercy School" in the memo line.)

#### BULLETIN BOARD

To have community events listed in the Connection, send to reston@connectionnewspapers.com by the Friday prior to the following week's paper.

#### SATURDAY/MAY 30

Family Yard Sale. 8:30 a.m. 1580 Poplar Grove Drive, Reston. Big selection of baby items, toys, baby girl clothes, feeding supplies, etc.

Food Addicts in Recovery. Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at The Vine Church, 2501 Gallows Road, Dunn Loring. Are you having trouble controlling the way you eat? Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous (FA) is a free twelve step recovery program for anyone suffering from food obsession, overeating, under-eating or bulimia. For more information or a list of additional meetings throughout the U.S. and the world, call 781-932-6300 or www.foodaddicts.org.

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needs drivers in the Annandale, Franconia/ Kingstowne, Reston, Mount Vernon and McLean areas. 703-324-5406, TTY 711 or www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults.

Knitting Enthusiasts, Musicians Needed. 10:30 a.m.-noon, at Herndon Senior Center. Herndon Senior Center seeks a knitting

enthusiast to teach basic procedures. Musicians to play soothing music on weekend mornings also needed. 703-324-5406, TTY 711, www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadult or VolunteerSolutions@fairfaxcounty.gov. **Habitat Heroes Project**. The fourth Saturday of

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



Reston residents Melissa and Jason Romano purchased a retail space at Reston Washington Plaza, where they will open Lake Anne Brew House, a nanobrewery. American craft brewers produce about one out of every 10 beers sold in the United States.

# Nanobrewery To Open At Reston Lake Anne

# Craft beer site to open in Reston.

By Ryan Dunn THE CONNECTION

eston residents Melissa and Jason Romano purchased a retail space at 11424 Washington Plaza, where they will open Lake Anne Brew House, a nanobrewery. Thirst for local beer and new regulatory attitudes towards brewing have encouraged entrepreneurs to begin craft beer operations across the country. Nanobrewing gives homebrewers an opportunity to enter the commercial market.

"Our plan is to stay small so we can brew what people ask us to brew," said Melissa Romano. "We will be able to cater to our community and provide what they want." The location was formerly occupied by Singh Thai restaurant, which moved across the plaza to 1633 Washington Plaza, the former Jasmine Cafe space. Melissa and Jason agree they have had tremendous support from the local community. "The local brewery community has been very helpful, they all want us to succeed, there is not a feeling of competition," said Jason.

A nanobrewery is a small microbrewery operation producing fewer than three barrels (typically 31 gallons or two kegs) at a time. Lake Anne Brew House will have a bar and inside seating, as well as seating on the deck overlooking Lake Anne. Under Virginia law, breweries can sell pints of beer on site without the need for food service. Lake Anne Brew House will work with local restaurants and caterers so patrons can order food items. The tap room will be open for happy hours, and have limited hours, specifically marketing the farmer market. The Reston Farmers Market at Lake Anne Village begins in May and operates until late October on Saturdays from 8 a.m. until 12

Jason has been a home brewer for over



The thirst for local craft beer helped encourage Reston residents Melissa and Jason Romano to begin their own craft beer operation at 11424 Washington Plaza, where they will open Lake Anne Brew House, a nanobrewery.

20 years, and has certification from the American Homebrewers Association to judge brewing contests. "We always knew we wanted to be business owners at Lake Anne," said Melissa. Changes are expected in Lake Anne as the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors gave final approval to Lake Anne Development Partners' project to revitalize Crescent Apartments and the Lake Anne area. The project will be built in three phases, starting as early as December 2015.

Local residents look forward to the new nanobrewery. "This is a great addition for Lake Anne, welcome Melissa and Jason," stated Ken Kneuven, president of the Reston Association. While renovations for the brewery continue, the couple is preparing their flagship beers and a seasonal line. Both Melissa and Jason look forward to being part of a new Fairfax County craft beer trail including Caboose Brewing Company in Vienna, and the Aslin Beer Company which will open at Herndon's Sunset Park. The sites will be in proximity to the W&OD Trail, a 45 mile regional park which runs from the Shirlington section of Arlington County to Purcellville, in western Loudoun County. Zone 1: • Reston • Herndon • Loudoun



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# **Mad Man**



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Really, Matthew Weiner; on the penultimate episode of "Mad Men," Betty Draper/Francis had to be diagnosed with lung cancer with her life expectancy said to be "nine months," with nothing more than "palliative care" available? Weren't there any other suitable diseases appropriate from which to choose? I realize it was the 70s, but...? Was her diagnosis for dramatic effect because lung cancer has been and is such a scourge and its mere mention will elicit the desired viewer reaction? Or were you trying to draw attention to a terrible disease, the research for which is woefully underfunded while it continues to kill more people than the next four cancer diagnoses combined, including breast cancer?

As a lung cancer survivor, I get tired of lung cancer being the go-to disease when entertainment writers want to gasp their audience into emotional submission. When in doubt...actually, you're never in doubt if a character is diagnosed with lung cancer. That diagnosis will definitely shake up your audience. Everyone knows that a diagnosis of lung cancer is not for the faint of heart (and weak of mind) and that its indication, confirmation and association will strike the kind of fear and loathing Hunter S. Thompson never really addressed.

It's a fine line between hope and prayer, and living and enduring for those of us afflicted with this very-often terminal disease. Ergo, we don't need any negative publicity, especially when the context is one that heightens the severity of the diagnosis and increases the anxiety and inevitability of its presumptive outcome. Certainly, increasing awareness helps, but I'd rather it not always be in a negative light to make people feel bad or is it badly, or both? It's bad enough already; it doesn't need to be made worse, just for ratings.

Granted, in the time frame of these last episodes (the late 60s, Richard Nixon has just been elected), when Betty was diagnosed, palliative care apparently was all that was available for late-stage lung cancer (did they even have stages then?), so her prognosis was pretty grim. And I realize her diagnosis was one of many story lines that had to be wrapped up – or not, in the final episodes, and wasn't necessarily a main focus. But that's not the point I'm addressing. Hearing the words "lung cancer" in yet another tear-jerking semi send-off scene with Henry Francis crying into Sally's lap in her dorm room after telling her about her mother's condition, and later showing Sally – the former brat, home unexpectedly from boarding school, dutifully hand-washing the dishes in the kitchen sink, while her mother sits wistfully at the kitchen table, was almost too much: showing a family uncharacteristically coping – and not coping, because of this death-sentence diagnosis/ prognosis.

It's almost as if lung cancer is a prop; to be used whenever news needs to be shockingly, horribly bad. Well, a diagnosis of lung cancer isn't so bad, not so bad as it used to be, anyway. Sure, "lung cancer" are not exactly words you want said in your direction, but six-plus years later, I'm living proof that indeed it's not as bad as Mad Men dramatized. Cancer is hardly a chronic-type disease yet, but its patients are not without many treatment options. Moreover, research and clinical studies across the world show great promise and continue to evolve. I only wish the writers who continue to invoke lung cancer in their scripts might evolve a little bit too.

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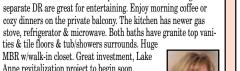


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