



News

Citizens attend a public meeting on the I-66 expansion on Thursday, May 28 in Oakton High School.





VDOT Adds New Alternative to

I-66 Expansion

Residents call for rail solution at Vienna meeting.

By Abigail Constantino
The Connection

epresentatives from the Virginia Department of Transportation presented Alternative 2C, in addition to Alternatives 2A and 2B, at Oakton High School in Vienna on Thursday, May 28.

VDOT deputy district administrator Renee Hamilton said that "we realize we're affecting homes, affecting lives" and the team is very sensitive to that.

Alternative 2C was included because of testimonies from the public meeting the day before in Fairfax. Shifting and reducing the height of the proposed high flyover ramp, using existing infrastructure and staying within the footprint of the right-of-way on Cedar lane are some of the features of 2C.

THE I-66 EXPANSION plan spans west of Route 15 in Haymarket to east of the Capital Beltway, about 25 miles. Alternative 2A preserves the median for future rail extension while 2B has no median.

The project, intended to "move people," will include three regular lanes and two express lanes in each direction, expanded commuter bus and a new rapid bus transit and direct access between the express lanes and the new or expanded commuter lots, said Hamilton in her presentation.

Del. Mark Keam (D-35) said that the expansion plans are still a work in progress and acknowledged the seriousness of residents' concerns.

Residents who gave their testimonies following the formal presentation expressed their desire for alternative transit to solve the traffic the expansion project hopes to fix, particularly the extension of rail service. Hamilton said that WMATA's priorities at this time are focused on its current projects and extension of the Silver Line.

"We chose to live here close to the Metro, for public transportation, so we expected more public transportation and what we're getting is more highway. Where are the rest of the agencies and where are our elected leaders? Where's the public transportation?" said Pamela Frazier, president of the Country Creek Association.

"We can't keep the left foot on the brake and the right foot on the gas," said Jim Leslie of the Independent Green Party of Virginia, as he called to pre-



Paul Prideaux of VDOT answers questions during a public meeting on the I-66 expansion on Thursday, May 28 in Oakton High School.

serve the median lane for a rail solution.

"They may not be taking homes in our community but by moving bridges and putting in flyovers, they will basically cut our community in half," said Frazier.

Stenwood Elementary School PTA president Trish Vanstory's testimony described the impact of the loss of the ball field on the students. "No more baseball, track, less outdoor activities," she said.

Keam said that he is intrigued by the "Do No Harm" alternative advocated by Transform 66 Wisely. But Hamilton said that doing nothing will result in traffic being in a standstill by 2040.

"The part that really frustrates me is a lot of these families that live in our areas are families that came here specifically for the benefits. They're willing to pay a little bit more, they're willing to spend more money to live in a neighborhood with good schools closer to the Metro, closer to transportation. So by paying more now they're being penalized by the government for doing something wise," said Keam. His constituents' homes are the most affected by the project.

"There's so many things about this that I don't like but I'm also doing my best to be a mediator, to make sure that the concerns are raised and for the government to understand that maybe there's a way they can work this out," said Keam.

Supervisor Linda Smyth (D-Providence) and representatives from U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11) also attended the meeting.

FOR MORE INFORMATION about VDOT's I-66 expansion plan and to register a comment, go to http://outside.transform66.org/meetings/default.asp. To learn about the "Do No Harm" or "Do Nothing" alternative, go to http://transform66wisely.org/. Comments for the project must be registered by June 18.

VIEWPOINTS

What concerns you most about VDOT's I-66 expansion plans?

- Abigail Constantino

Richard Walter, Vienna:

"There should be future considerations for the extension of the Orange Line to Centreville. The median needs to be preserved. Otherwise, there would be a problem years down the road."



Jean Thompson, Fairfax:

"Noise is an issue. The backing of the local traffic when there's any kind of problem on 66. The question of whether or not it's going to carry as much traffic as efficiently if they try to expand it the way they're talking about. And the toll issue."



Jennifer Zeballos, Vienna:

"Our backyard from our house is basically the sound wall to the highway. We went to look over there and the man said that they will be probably taking about 20 feet off of our backyard. Doesn't seem like a lot but it is a lot. I think our only concern is how much of our backyard is going to be left and the noise level and all that."



Michael Fernandez, Falls Church:

"They're taking the houses directly across from my house. I've been through the past project where they took down the sound wall and the construction which happened over a long period of time...and at one, two in the morning listening to the bang, bang, bang. Now they're telling us we're going to expand 66, taking down the sound wall again and taking down the houses



across from my house. I'm going to be facing the sound wall, if and when it goes up. What does that do to my property value? I'm 10 years away from paying off my mortgage and I'm not going to be able to sell my house when I want to retire."

Cheryl Stokes, Dunn Loring:

"Representatives need to talk to each other in Maryland, D.C. and Virginia and put the money that they have in Virginia for traffic problems for Metro. I think that would be the best."





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Make a Call; Save a Life

Petersen's "Good Samaritan Overdose Protection" law goes into effect July 1.

> By Victoria Ross The Connection

ccidental overdose deaths are now the leading cause of accidental death in the United States, exceeding even motor vehicle accidents among people ages 25 to 64, according to a recently released study by the National Institute on Drug Abuse.

Last year, an estimated 210 heroin overdoses fatalities occurred in Virginia, with the highest number in Fairfax and Prince William counties.

"Many of these deaths are preventable if a friend or witness seeks emergency assistance right away," said state Sen. Chap Petersen (D-34). "But people using drugs or alcohol illegally often fear arrest if they call 911."

In an attempt to reduce overdose deaths, Petersen introduced Senate Bill 892 during last year's General Assembly session. The new law — the "Good Samaritan overdose protection bill" — was signed by Gov. Terry McAuliffe last week in Richmond, and goes into effect on July 1.

Commonly referred to in other states as "911 Good Samaritan," the law encourages witnesses at the scene of a suspected drug or alcohol overdose to seek emergency assistance right away without fear of arrest for minor drug law violations.

Virginia now joins 20 other states, including the District of Columbia, that have enacted policies to provide limited immunity from arrest or prosecution for minor drug law violations for people who summon help at the scene of an overdose.



Photo contribute

The new law – the "Good Samaritan overdose protection bill" – was signed by Gov. Terry McAuliffe last week in Richmond, and goes into effect on July 1.

"This law provides an affirmative defense for individuals who take responsible measures to report an overdose, remain at the scene of the overdose until emergency services arrive, and identify themselves to the responding officer," Petersen said.

Petersen said a fellow Fairfax High School classmate, Gerard Lawson, a professor at Virginia Tech, brought the issue to his attention.

Lawson was organizing a class project to lobby state legislators on criminal law reforms. His students had the idea to protect "Good Samaritans" who report a drug overdose to emergency services.

Lawson said his students noted that the chance of surviving an overdose, like that of surviving a heart attack, depends greatly on how fast one receives medical assistance.

Witnesses to heart attacks rarely think twice about calling 911, but witnesses to an overdose often hesitate to call for help or, in many cases, simply don't make the call, Lawson said.

Research confirms the most common reason people cite for not calling 911 is fear of police involvement.

But the new law, Petersen added, is not a "get-out-of-jail-free" card for those who sell or traffic large quantities of drugs, or those who commit acts of violence, felonies, or distribute drugs.

"The next step is to get the word out to young people: If a friend is in distress, you have a responsibility and now you have legal protections. Do the right thing. Make a call to save a life," Petersen said during the signing ceremony last week.

—Week in Vienna—

Solarize Vienna Sunsets June 30

Solarize Vienna, a three-month program to reduce the cost and complexity of going solar is set to conclude June 30. The town-sponsored initiative offers bulk purchasing discounts on solar systems to residents and businesses, as well as home energy checkups for residents. A Solarize Vienna informational meeting will be held June 9 at the Vienna Town Hall, 127 Center Street at 7:30 p.m.

As of May 29, the program has drawn a strong response, enrolling 138 participants for either a Home Energy Checkup or a Solar Assessment. The Energy Checkup is free and includes a home evaluation, advice from a certified energy coach and installation of more than \$100 worth of energy-efficient products, including CFL light bulbs and smart power strips.

The Solar Assessment is to determine if the home/business is a good candidate for solar. Five residential contracts for solar panels have been signed to date, including one for Vienna Town Councilmember Carey Sienicki. "While being environmentally conscious was important to our family, we are also looking forward to a less than 10-year payback when factoring renewable energy

credits combined with federal and county tax credits," Sienicki said.

For more information and to register for a Home Energy Checkup or the Solar Assessment, visit SolarizeVienna.org.

Vienna to Host 'Evening in White' Sept. 12

In celebration of the 125th Anniversary, the Town of Vienna will be hosting "Vienna's Evening in White" on Sept. 12 from 7 p.m. – 12 a.m.

This elegant evening of outdoor dining, live music and dancing involves an element of mystery, as the event location will remain a secret until the day of the event. Guests are asked to bring a picnic dinner (or order from one of the local picnic sponsors), place settings, utensils, glassware and dress in festive white attire.

As this is a celebration of Vienna's community, tickets for this event will only be open to Vienna citizens, with a limit of eight tickets per resident. Tickets are limited and will be available for purchase online starting June 1 at 8 a.m. For more information about "Vienna's Evening in White" visit viennaeveninginwhite.com.

COMMUNITY

'Do More 24' to Support the **Unified Prevention Coalition**

substance abuse prevention work of the Unified Prevention Coalition of Fairfax County (UPC) June 4 in the Do More 24 fundraising campaign for local nonprofits. And it can be as easy as dining out June 4 at one of the local restaurants - including six Glory Days Grill locations, The Auld Shebeen and O'Sullivan's Irish Pub - that will donate a portion of their proceeds to UPC as part of this special fundraiser.

Do More 24 is a local, annual 24-hour 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

Area residents are invited to support the 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.

SCHOOL NOTES

Send school notes to vienna@connectionnewspapers.com by Friday.

Gabrielle Greco, of Vienna, daughter of Drs. Stephen and Judith Greco, was named to the Dean's List at the College of William and Mary for the Spring Semester.

Dylan Maxwell Phillips, of Great Falls, has been named to the president's list at James Madison University for the spring 2015 semester. Students who earn president's list honors must carry at least 12 graded credit hours and earn a GPA of 3.90 or above. Phillips is a senior whose major is Computer Info



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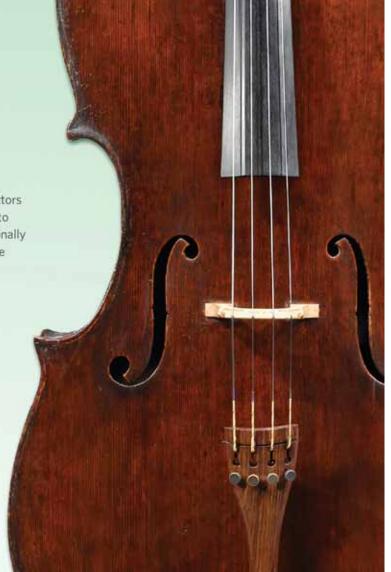
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OPINION

Overdose Deaths Are Preventable

New "safe reporting" law encourages people to seek help in time.

he death rate due to heroin overdose more than doubled between 2010 through 2013, according to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), with an average in-EDITORIAL crease of 37 percent per year in the

United States.

What the statistics don't say is that most of these deaths are preventable nearly to the last breath. Heroin and other opioids affect the part of the brain which regulates breathing, and opioids in high doses can cause respiratory depression and death.

Naloxone, which is effectively an antidote to opioid overdose, will completely reverse the effects of an opioid overdose if administered

Emylee Lonczak, a McLean teenager who died of an overdose in what was reported to be her first encounter with heroin, might still be alive if the people with her at the time had taken her to a hospital or called 911.

New legislation designed to protect people seeking help for friends experiencing overdose should make it simpler to do the right thing.

State Sen. Chap Petersen sponsored the bill, Safe Reporting of Overdoses, which was signed by Gov. Terry McAuliffe last week.

"The next step is to get the word out to young people: If a friend is in distress, you have a responsibility and now you have legal protections. Do the right thing. Make a call to save a life," said Petersen said after the Governor signed the bill.

The law also applies to alcohol overdoses. Petersen collaborated with a Fairfax High School classmate, Gerald Lawson, now a pro-

fessor at Virginia Tech, in pressing for protection for Good Samaritans in these circumstances.

The Food and Drug Administration last year approved a hand-held auto-injector designed for family and caregivers who might be witness to an overdose to administer a single dose of the drug naloxone.

Safe reporting of overdoses SB 892, summary as passed.

Establishes an affirmative defense to prosecution of an individual for (i) simple possession of a controlled substance, marijuana, or controlled paraphernalia; (ii) intoxication in public; or (iii) the unlawful purchase, possession, or consumption of alcohol if such individual sought or obtained emergency medical attention for himself or for another individual because of a drug-related or alcohol-related overdose and if the evidence for the charge was obtained as a result of the individual seeking or obtaining emergency medical attention. The bill provides that the affirmative defense may only be invoked by an individual who (a) remains at the scene of the overdose or at any location to which he is transported for emergency medical attention until a law-enforcement officer responds to the report of an overdose or, if no law-enforcement officer is present at either the scene or the other location, cooperates

with law enforcement, (b) identifies himself to the responding law-enforcement officer, and (c) cooperates, upon request, with any criminal investigation reasonably related to the drug or alcohol that resulted in the overdose. No individual may assert this affirmative defense if the emergency medical attention sought or obtained was during the execution of a search warrant or during the conduct of a lawful search or a lawful arrest.

Send Photos for Father's Day

Father's Day is Sunday, June 21, and once again the Connection will publish a gallery of Father's Day photos.

Every year at this time, the Connection puts out the call for photographs of fathers and $\hat{\text{their}}$ children, grandfathers and their children and

Send in photos as soon as possible, with the following information: the town where you live, the names of everyone in the picture, the approximate date the picture was taken, the ages of the children and a sentence or two about what is happening and where the photograph was taken. Be sure to tell us your town name and neighborhood. Photos are due by June 15.

You can submit your photos online at www.connectionnewspapers.com/ fathersday. You can also email photos to editors@connectionnewspapers.com.

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Time to Re-think 'LEOBR'

By Burton Jay Rubin

COMMENTARY

ome 20 months on, the Fairfax County police officer who shot and killed John Geer remains on "paid administrative duty," despite the \$2.95 million settlement the county has agreed to pay his family. The Commonwealth's Attorney is also seeking to empanel a grand jury to consider criminal charges.

Officer Adam Torres' continued tenure on the Fairfax County Police Force is due to something often referred to as "LEOBR," "Law Enforcement Officers' Bill of Rights;" a law in effect in Virginia that provides police officers with special job security protections unavailable to other workers.

Most members of the workforce, in contrast, are subject to the "employment-at-will" legal doctrine, any reason or no reason at all, except for certain very limited discriminatory reasons. Under Virginia's LEOBR, if you are a police officer, you cannot be discharged, even if you hurt someone, disobeyed orders, abused your office, or even broke the law, LEOBR laws today.

without first being notified in writing of the basis for your dismissal, given an opportunity to respond orally and in writing, with the assistance of a lawyer if you wish, and then, after all that, given the right to file a grievance under state or local procedures, your choice.

There were no LEOBR laws for most of our nation's history. They came into effect in the early 1970s as a result of a campaign by police special interest groups. Prior to that time, police were actually held to a higher standard of conduct than citizens generally.

In New York City, for example, police officers were required to cooperate fully with criminal investigations to the point of waiving their constitutional privilege against self incrimination or lose their jobs. That requirement was found to be unconstitutional by under which they may be fired for the U.S. Supreme Court in a 1968 decision called Gardner v. Broderick. Even though the officer in that case actually won, police interest organizations pressed the issue, resulting in what might be regarding as a "second helping" of employment rights reflected in

It is sometimes said that the extraordinary job security accorded to police officers is justified by the dangerous nature of their work. Just what the connection is between how dangerous a job is and the special job security provided to people in that job is not explained. At any rate, the fundamental premise is false. The average police officer serves his entire career without ever firing his weapon in defense of himself or anybody else.

According to Time.com, law enforcement is not even among the 10 most dangerous jobs in the United States. Logging and roofing are and we don't provide workers in those occupations with special job security rights. According to figures from the FBI, the number of officers killed by criminals has declined since the '70s when LEOBR laws came into effect, and now stands at its lowest point. Unfortunately, the number of citizens killed by police has increased during that same period and now stands at its highest point.

Sometimes, it is said that special job protection rights for police officers are justified because they are the targets for unjustified charges of wrongdoing. That police officers may be falsely accused of misconduct is undoubtedly the case, as it is for University of Virginia frat boys, Duke University La Crosse players and child care workers, yet none of these groups is accorded special legal protections unavailable to the general

Let's be very clear, we are not talking about punishing someone or in any way short circuiting the process to which everyone is entitled before being found guilty of a crime and possibly sent to jail. We are talking only about how long a community must keep a police officer on the job, paying him, after that community has lost all confidence in that officer and the officer has lost his ability to serve in the position for which he was hired.

When an officer has lost his community's confidence and trust, that community should be able to ask that individual to find employment elsewhere. We need to rethink our LEOBR laws.

The writer is an attorney and civic activist in Northern Virginia.

Band Directors Recognize Outstanding Student Solo Performers

The Fairfax County Band Directors Association has recognized 16 Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) students for excellence in solo instrumental music performance as part of the 2015 Fairfax County Band Directors Association Solo Competition. A total of 33 schools were represented; 66 students competed in the event.

The following students were named winners in the elementary school division:

- ❖ First place: Beth Johnston (trumpet), Colvin Run Elementary School.
- ❖ Second place: Matthew Marcantonio (alto saxophone), Colvin Run Elementary School.
- ❖ Third place: Maia Trafton (trumpet), Keene Mill Elementary School.
- ♦ Honorable Mention: Eden Ethington (flute), Mosby Woods Elementary School; Ella Peters (flute), Stratford Landing Elementary School; Lacey Weber (tuba), White Oaks Elementary School.

Judges named the following winners in the middle school division:

❖ First place: Cherri Chen (marimba), Kilmer Middle School.

❖ Second place: Forrest Johnston (trumpet), Kilmer Middle School.

* Third place: Diego Stine (tuba), Kilmer Middle School.

Honorable Mention: Jane Lee (flute), Longfellow Middle School; Kathryn Nei (flute), Carson Middle School; Kevin Mo (clarinet), Carson Middle School.

The following students were named winners in the high school division:

❖ First place: Hunter Lorelli (bassoon), West Springfield High School.

Second place: Mari Takeda (marimba), Chantilly High School.

- Third place: Arthur He (clarinet), Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology.
- ♦ Honorable Mention: Davina Miaw (flute), Chantilly High School.

Judges were Tiffany Hitz, Emily Morgan, Brian Thomas, Mary Jo West, Phil Franke, and Chuck West.

The Fairfax County Band Directors Association is a collaborative learning team, professional, and social organization made up of Fairfax County elementary, middle, and high school band directors.

Marshall High Hires New Girls' Basketball Coach

George C. Marshall High School has hired Mike Trivisonno as the new Head Girls' Basketball Coach. Coach Trivisonno brings to Marshall 20 years and 33 seasons of coaching experience at various levels. His interest in coaching began in college when he acted as a player/coach in summer leagues in Cleveland, Ohio. Most of his coaching career has been at

the AAU, CYO and County levels where his teams have had success. Additionally, he has coached a number of seasons in high school leagues. Trivisonno played at St. Ignatius High School in Cleveland, Ohio and continued his playing career as a four-year Division I scholarship athlete at Canisius College in Buffalo, N.Y.

OBITUARY

Patricia Purcell Nutter, Long-time Vienna Resident, Dies

On May 11, 2015, Patricia Purcell Nutter passed away with devoted family and friends by her side. She passed peacefully in her home at Lake of the Woods, Locust Grove, Va. She was the beloved wife of her late husband, of 59 years, Joseph William Nutter. She is survived by her four daughters, Nancy Ellen Lyon, Judith Nutter Amberly, Patricia Nutter Booth, and Janet Nutter Bartlett, and sons-in-law Richard Garrison Booth, and Charles David Bartlett, her grandchildren, Blair Amberly, Patricia Minson, Grady Sorrells, Taylor Booth, William Booth, Joseph Sorrells and Cole Sorrells and three great grandchil-

She was a loving and supportive wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. She was deeply loved, and believed that family came first. Pat was a native of Washington, D.C. At the age of 16 she attended George Washington University where she received her undergraduate degree in history. She received her master's degree from Columbia University in English. Pat and her late husband were long-time residents of Vienna. They were both

active in the Vienna Community Center, the Vienna Pigtail Ponytail League, Girl Scouting, the Vienna Woods Swim Club, and the Vienna Presbyterian Church. Pat was an educator. Her last 20 years of teaching was in Fairfax County Public Schools, teaching Latin and English. After retirement, she became a full time resident of Lake of the Woods, where she enjoyed her friendships there including Red Hat Society.

As per Pat's wishes, her body was donated to the Virginia State Anatomical Program. Her selfless gift to the Commonwealth will aid in the advancement of medical education and scientific study. Even in death, Pat continues to educate others.

The family would like to express deep gratitude to her dedicated and loving caregivers: Tracie Hayes, Beverly Cicioni, and Beverly Kuhn.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Mary Washington Hospital Hospice.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, June 6, for a service at 11:30 a.m. in the Chapel of the Vienna Presbyterian Church. A reception will follow in the great hall of the church, 124 Park Street NF. Vienna

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The Vienna Arts Society set up a children's activity tent. Kids were invited to try their hands at printmaking, stamp design and framing, mask decoration and more. Volunteers from the Arts Society assisted with the projects.



Fabric art caught the attention of many brows-



Jewelry pieces by Melanie Kassam Fields included hand-strung beaded necklaces and

Afternoons on Church Street Debuts May 31

Vienna Arts Society hosted kids' activities, artworks.

fternoons on Church Street kicked off its debut on a steamy-hot Sunday, May 31, from 1 to 5 p.m., with exhibits and children's activities planned and hosted by the Vienna Arts Society [VAS]. The sixmonth project, running through October, is produced by the Town of Vienna Department of Parks and Recreation. Planned for the last Sunday of every warm-weather month, Afternoons on Church Street is a familyfriendly pedestrian stroll featuring activities, live entertainment, and special programming.

Twenty two artists from the VAS exhibited their works and talked about their processes for creation and design, and pieces were available for sale. On display were paintings, prints, fabric art, and handcrafted jewelry.

Children got VIP treatment. VAS offered artistic outlets for youngsters, from printmaking to mask decoration. The children's tent was busy throughout the day.

Town of Vienna. The run from 1 to 5 p.m. For more information noons on Church St the Parks and Recreation.

Even as 90-degree temps covered Vienna, there was a steady flow of strollers throughout the afternoon. A blue-grass band per-

formed in the caboose lot, and, nearby, on the grounds of Freeman Store, children jumped in a bounce house. Re-enactor Jon Vrana presented a piece on the "Arrest and Incarceration of Mary Surratt" on Freeman Store's porch.

Each month, a new theme is introduced, supported by community organizations and Church Street businesses.

Afternoons on Church Street events include June 28, Stories & Scavengers, sponsored by The Patrick Henry Library; July 26, Party on the Porch, sponsored by Vienna Parks and Recreation Department; Aug. 30, Wheely Fun Time, sponsored by Bikes At Vienna; Sept. 27, Mums and Mugs, sponsored by Chase the Submarine; and, Oct. 25, Shop Local Shop Vienna, sponsored by the Town of Vienna. The "Afternoons" run from 1 to 5 p.m.

For more information on Afternoons on Church Street, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 703-255-6360 or visit www.viennava.gov.

— Donna Manz



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Summer Fun, Summer Safety

Tips for averting summer danger.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL The Connection

t's a familiar call. The sun beams down from mid-summer sky. Temperatures rise above 95 degrees Fahrenheit, but safety conditions start to plummet.

"People will have been walking on the mall all day and then go to Arlington National Cemetery to watch the Changing of the Guard and they start to feel light-headed and dizzy," said Lt. Sarah-Maria Marchegiani, spokeswoman for the Arlington County Fire Department. "The times that I've responded, they usually have only one small water bottle with them and they've been in the heat all day. It's often tourists, but people who live here, too."

While summer ushers in vacations, trips to the pool, barbeques and fireworks it also brings the potential for safety hazards. From recreational water illness to heat-related illnesses, summer fun can turn into a nightmare. Public health and safety officials have several tips for lessening summer safety

WHEN THE TEMPERATURE SPIKES. so does the risk of heat-related illnesses.

Lengthy exposure to 90-plus degree heat can lead to heat stroke, heat exhaustion cramping and, in extreme cases, death.

"Heatstroke can occur when the ability to sweat fails and the body temperature rises quickly," said Kenya Fluellen, associate professor of nursing at Northern Virginia Community College. "The brain and vital organs are affected as the body temperature rises to a dangerous level."

In addition to wearing loose-fitting clothes that are light in color and taking breaks from the heat and drinking two to four glasses of water for every hour one is exposed to high heat, health officials say applying sunscreen, limiting physical activity and wearing a hat or using an umbrella to block direct sunlight should also be added to the list of summer safety precautions.

"People can underestimate the power of the heat. Safety is always our number one priority," said Marchegiani. "If you have an elderly neighbor or anyone with mobility issues, check on them, especially when we have a storm and the power goes out."

WHILE STRATEGIES for beating the heat include trips to the pool and water parks, these cool-down activities come with health

precautions. Being aware of the potential for spreading germs can prevent recreational water illnesses, which can occur as a result of swallowing or having other contact with contaminated water.

Health officials advise swimmers to shower with soap before entering a pool, take bathroom breaks once per hour and take a rinse shower before returning to the

Washing your hands after changing diapers or using the restroom and checking a child's diapers every half-hour to an hour are tips that are also advised.

Water safety is another summer concern. "Enroll children over the age of three in swimming lessons," said Fluellen. "Don't rely on lifeguards to watch over your children."

INSECTS ARE ANOTHER summer sighting that can be a prelude to danger. In fact, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors proclaimed June at Fight the Bite Awareness Month. One bite from a disease-carrying mosquito or tick can lead to life-changing illnesses such as West Nile virus or Lyme

"Anyone can get infected with these illnesses, but people over the age of 50 are at greater of developing more severe forms,"



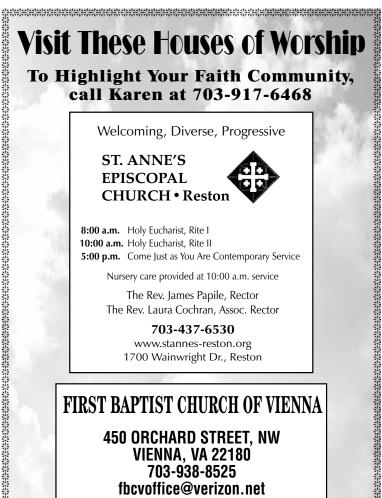
Marilyn Campbell/Thre Connection

Health officials are reminding the public how to stay stay safe while swimming or engaging in other popular summer activities.

said Joshua Smith, Fairfax County environmental health supervisor. "We can find mosquitoes with West Nile virus anywhere in the county that is why we encourage people to take precautions.'

Those safety measures include eliminating standing water, treating standing water and spraying your yard. Using an insect repellent containing DEET, remaining indoors at dawn and early evening, and installing, repairing or replacing screens on both windows and doors to keep insects outdoors are also recommended.

"It is important to use common sense, stay hydrated and respect Mother Nature," said Kurt Larrick, spokesman for the Arlington County Department of Human Services. "And some groups are more at risk [such as] infants, teens, older adults, and those with certain health conditions.'



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ONGOING TUESDAY/JUNE 2 -SATURDAY/JUNE 27 "Happiness Is ?" 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.,

Tuesdays - Saturdays, June 2 – 27. Vienna Art Center, 115 Pleasant Street, NW, Vienna. Members of the Vienna Arts Society exhibit and sell original artworks in several continuing shows in the area. While there you can pick up a map showing where artists are showing other works in town. Meet the artists, including Sandy Olszowy, and enjoy light refreshments at a reception Saturday, June 6, 4 – 6 p.m.

FRIDAYS-SUNDAYS/ JUNE 5-SEPT. 27 Vienna's Summer on the Green

Concert Series. 6:30 p.m. Vienna Town Green, 144 Maple Avenue E, Vienna. Full schedule here: http:// www.viennava.gov/ DocumentCenter/View/2640

SUNDAYS/JUNE 7- AUG. 16

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Come out on Sundays and listen to some live music. Full schedule here: http://www.celebrategreatfalls.org/concerts-on-the-green/.

THROUGH SATURDAY/JUNE 13

4 Artists Spring Show. The Frame Factory Gallery, 212 Dominion Road, NE, Vienna. 703-281-2350. www.theframefactory1.com



Mary Ellen Larkins, whose glass jewelry is featured in local galleries and at C'Ville Arts in Charlottesville, will demonstrate how she creates landscapes on glass on June 11, 7:30 p.m., Vienna Art Center, 115 Pleasant St., NW, Vienna.

ART, MUSIC, THEATRE & MORE

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 3

Ingrid Michaelson. 7:30 p.m. Wolf Trap, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. The indie-pop star entertains with songs ranging from the ukulele-filled "The Way I Am" to the chart-topping "Girls Chase Boys." Tickets: \$25-\$45. Dining in the Dark. 6-10 p.m. Ritz Carlton, Tysons Corner, 1700 Tysons Boulevard, McLean. Dining in the Dark presents a powerful dining experience that plunges you into a world of sensitivity you have never experienced before, taking you through a unique journey, while dining in the dark. The Foundation Fighting Blindness mission is to drive the research that will provide preventions, treatments and cures for people affected by retinitis pigmentosa (RP), macular degeneration, Usher Syndrome, and the entire spectrum of retinal degenerative diseases. tsmith@fightblindness.org

THURSDAY/JUNE 4

Reading Buddies. 4:30 p.m. Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Beginning Readers practice reading to Teen Volunteers

FRIDAY/JUNE 3- 5

"The Good Counselor." Friday: 8 p.m. Saturday: 2 & 8 p.m. Sunday: 2 & 7 p.m. 1st Stage, 1524 Spring Hill Road, Tysons. Vincent seeks truth, not only for his client, a mother accused of killing her 3-week-old son, but also for himself and his haunted past with his own neglectful mother. Both riveting and poetic in the same breath, this vibrant new play is not just another courtroom drama but a thoughtful and thought-provoking examination of human failing and redemption. http://www.1ststagetysons.org/upcoming.html.

FRIDAY/JUNE 5

Rising 7th Graders Party. 7-10 p.m. Old Firehouse Teen Center, 1440 Chain Bridge Rd., McLean. \$5 Member/\$10 All others.

The B-52s. 8 p.m. Wolf Trap, 1645
Trap Road, Vienna. Known as the world's greatest party band, The B-52s remain one of pop rock's beloved and enduring forces—dance your heart out to their underground club anthems like "Love Shack," "Rock Lobster," "Roam," and new favorites. Tickets: \$25-\$50. www.wolftrap.org.

Pokemon League. 3 p.m. Patrick Henry Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. Drop-in and play Pokemon with your friends.

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 6

The McLean Symphony Season

Finale. 7:30 p.m. The Alden, 1234 Ingleside Avenue, McLean. Tickets: adult: \$25; seniors: \$20; youth with student ID: \$15; children 12 and under admitted free.

An Evening with the Creators of SERIAL. 8 p.m. Wolf Trap, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. Go behind the scenes with the creators of the world's most gripping and popular podcast as they talk crime, modern journalism, and how their This American Life spin-off project became "the greatest murder mystery you will ever hear." (The Guardian.) Tickets: \$25-\$45. www.wolftrap.org.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/JUNE 6-7

Women Unplugged Weekend. 8

a.m. Riverbend Park, 8700 Potomac Hills Street, Great Falls. Unplug and spend the weekend outdoors. Saturday kayak from Algonkian Park to Riverbend and have an outdoor dinner with a bonfire. Spend a night under the stars in your tent or in our Nature Center. Sunday explore birds, edible plants, and learn to shoot a bow and arrow. Bring a bagged lunch and water bottle for Saturday's trip; all other meals are provided. Meet at Riverbend at 8 a.m. on saturday. Program ends at 2 p.m. on Sunday. Women only. Register at http:// parktakes.fairfaxcounty.gov/.

SUNDAY/JUNE 7

Concerts at the Alden. 3 p.m. The Alden, 1234 Ingleside Avenue, McLean. Free.

Lousiana Swamp Romp Allen
Toussaint Rebirth Brass Band
Pine Leaf Boys. 8 p.m. Wolf Trap,
1645 Trap Road, Vienna. Dance to
infectious Cajun and blues tunes at
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music, food, and dancing—this year's
lineup includes the award-winning
"Southern Knight" who "brought the
New Orleans sound to the national
stage" (Rock and Roll Hall of Fame)
and more. Tickets: \$30-\$35.
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MONDAY/JUNE 8

Discovery Time I. 9 a.m. Colvin Run Mill, 10017 Colvin Run Road, Great Falls. Oceans Week Theme-based activities such as games, crafts, special projects and hikes help children discover these wonders of science. Bring snack, lunch and drink daily. An activity fee is due on the first day (\$5 for 4-hr camps). 3-5 years old.

Goodnight, Sleep Tight. 7 p.m.
Patrick Henry Library, 10304
Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. Come in
your pajamas and join us for stories
and songs. All ages.

TUESDAY/JUNE 9

Book Discussion Group. 6:30 p.m. Dolley Madison Library, 1244 Oak Ridge Avenue, McLean. June title is All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr. Adults.

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 10

Pokemon League. 4:30 p.m. Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Drop-in and play Pokemon with your friends. Toddlin' Twos. 10:30 a.m. Patrick Henry Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. Join in for an early literacy enhanced storytime featuring stories and songs. Age 2 with adult.

Mystery Book Club. 1 p.m. Oakton Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. Join in the monthly unraveling of a whodunit or thriller. The June selection is the Cuckoo's Calling by J.K. Rowling and Robert Galbraith. Adults.

THURSDAY/JUNE 11

Artist's Demonstration. 7:30 p.m.
Vienna Art Center, 115 Pleasant St.,
NW, Vienna. Mary Ellen Larkins,
whose exquisite glass jewelry and
objets d'art are featured in local
galleries and at C'Ville Arts in
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FRIDAY/JUNE 12

The Marriage of Figaro. 7:30 p.m. Wolf Trap, The Barns, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. Inside the Opera preshow talk begins 1 hour before curtain. Sung in Italian with English supertitles. 3 hours with 1 intermission. Tickets: \$32-\$88. www.wolftrap.org.

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Playdate Cafe. 10 a.m. Great Falls
Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike,
Great Falls. Toys and playspace for
children. Coffee and conversation for
grownups.

Drop-in Chess and Board Games. 3:30 p.m. Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Dropin and play chess and assorted board games. All skill levels and ages welcome.

Pokemon League. 3 p.m. Patrick Henry Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. Drop-in and play Pokemon with your friends.

SATURDAY/JUNE 13

Aria Jukebox. 3 p.m. Wolf Trap, 1645
Trap Road, Vienna. Tickets: \$32-\$40.
The 2015 artists sing your favorite
opera highlights, with Kim Pensinger
Witman at the piano. Ticket price
includes wine and cheese reception
at 2 p.m. Your quarters in the
jukebox vote for the arias of your
choice! www.wolftrap.org.

SUNDAY/JUNE 14

Vienna Sustainable Home and Garden Tour. 1-4 p.m. Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street SE, Vienna. Your neighbors are opening their homes and gardens to you to show and discuss modifications that they have made to make Vienna a more sustainable community. Visit all or some of them to learn more about using reclaimed items in your renovation, energy efficiency, geothermal heating and cooling, native plants and gardening with deer. http://www.viennava.gov/

index.aspx?nid=955. **The Marriage of Figaro**. 3 p.m. Wolf Trap, The Barns, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. Inside the Opera preshow talk begins one hour before curtain. Sung in Italian with English supertitles.

Classic Albums Live Presents The Beatles - Abbey Road. 8 p.m. Wolf Trap, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. World-class musicians take on one of the greatest albums of all time/ Tickets: \$25-\$45. www.wolftrap.org.

TUESDAY/JUNE 16

David Grey & Amos Lee. 7 p.m. Wolf Trap, The Barns, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. Best known for the multiplatinum hit "Babylon," this English indie rocker presents crowd favorites. Tickets: \$25-\$55. www.wolftrap.org.



Photo Gallery

"Me and My Dad"

To honor dad on Father's Day, send us your favorite snapshots of you with your dad and The Connection will publish them in our Father's Day issue. Be sure to include some information about what's going on in the photo, plus your name and phone number and town of residence. To e-mail photos, send to:

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SPORTS



Sportswoman of the Year honorees, from left, Maxine Clifford (West Potomac), Emily McNamara (Westfield), Hayley Stumvoll (TJHSST), Sara Vigen (South Lakes), Ashley Dingman (South County), Lauren Berman (Robinson), Allie Klimlewicz (Oakton), Lauren Kaup (Marshall), Maite Zurita (Lee), Fiona Muir (Langley), Sarah Riley (Lake Braddock), Taylor Stone (Herndon), Bonnie Schipper (Hayfield), Preethi Chaudhari (Falls Church), Rachel Barborek (Fairfax), Nicie Jenell Grier-Spratley (Edison), Caroline Wakefield (Centreville) and Jennifer McCann (Annandale).

FCPS Honors Women in Sports

Laubach, Centreville HS Alum and Olympian, Gives Keynote Address

By Abigail Constantino The Connection

he Fairfax County Women in Sports

Awards ceremony was held at Oakton High School on Sunday, May 31. Four awards were given out. Bonnie Schipper, of Hayfield High School, won Journalist of the Year; Dena McGrath, of West Potomac High School, won Coach of the Year; Jayne Orleans, of West Potomac High School, won the Donna de Varona Spirit of Sport; and Nicie Jenell Grier-Spratley, of Thomas Edison High School, nabbed Sportswoman

The awards committee presented a certificate and a t-shirt to all the honorees, and the winners received flowers and a glass plaque.

Claire "Chewy" Laubach gave the keynote address, sharing her story about making the 2012 U.S. Olympic Field Hockey Team after failing to make the 2008 team.

A graduate of Centreville High School, Laubach was not heavily recruited. "It was not their job to notice me. It was my job to get noticed," she said.

She played at Wake Forest University and joined the national team in 2005. She admitted that she took for granted her place in the team and would spend her time after practice at the beach. Not making the 2008 U.S. Olympic Team was "the day I became an athlete," she said.

Laubach worked her way back, perfecting the drag flick maneuver that made her a valuable asset.

"Stick to the plan of earning your way," she urged the audience. "Don't get lazy. Don't be average," she

The Fairfax County Women in Sports Awards Committee was designed to acknowledge and encourage promotion of girls and women in the areas of sportsmanship, spirit, journalism and coaching. Committee member and Oakton High school basketball coach Fred Priester said that the awards are one way to advocate for Title IX issues, which continue to this day.



2015 Donna de Varona Spirit of Sport Honorees, from left, Nicole Gibson (Woodson), Danielle Triebwasser (West Springfield), Jayne Orleans (West Potomac), Roshni Gill (Westfield), Rhea Sharma (TJHSST), Megan Nguyen (Stuart), Princess Aghayere (South Lakes), Rachel Snare (South County), Camille Baechler (Oakton), Michelle Vacarro (McLean), Mary Hagopian (Marshall), Virginia Moore (Madison), Michelle Heinitz (Lee), Maggie Natal (Langley), Rory Hatch (Lake Braddock), Jaime Wright (Herndon), Shelby Press (Hayfield), Camille Goold (Falls Church), Jessica Riquelme (Fairfax), Alana Boyd (Edison), Julia Golden (Chantilly), Jackie O'Shea (Centreville) and Nina Fairman (Annandale).



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Sports

Oakton sophomore attacker Stephanie Palmucci (15) scored the game-tying and game-winning goals against Centreville on May 30 in the 6A North region semifinals.



PHOTOS BY LIM HENDERSON

Oakton Girls' Lacrosse Beats Centreville in Region Semis

Cougars headed to state tournament after win over Madison.

By Jon Roetman The Connection

akton's Stephanie Palmucci failed to score a goal during the first 49-plus minutes of Saturday's 6A North region tournament semifinal against

Luckily for the Cougars, the sophomore attacker saved her goal-scoring best for when it mattered most

Palmucci scored the tying goal from free position with one second remaining in regulation. The game went to overtime, where Palmucci scored the only goal during two 3-minute periods, giving the Oakton girls' lacrosse team a 17-16 victory at Centreville High School.

Oakton was scheduled to face Robinson in the region final on Tuesday, after The Connection's deadline.

OAKTON, which lost to Centreville during the regular season and the Conference 5 tournament, led 15-12 with 8:17 remaining in the second half, but Centreville scored the next four goals and took a 16-15 lead when Reagan Newell found the back of the net with 21 seconds left.

Caroline Wakefield assisted Newell's go-ahead goal.

"They were cheering," Wakefield said about her teammates. "I was like, 'It's not over, it's not over. There's 20 seconds left.' I think we got caught up in the moment thinking that there wasn't any time [on the clock]."

Oakton gained possession and Palmucci headed toward the goal. She was fouled with four seconds remaining, leading to free position, and she scored on a bounce shot with one second left on the clock.

"Stephanie's a little girl, but a big-time player," Oakton head coach Jean Counts said. "She'll step up when she needs to step up. [She] struggled a little bit during regulation and when it counted with four seconds left she had an absolutely clutch play.

"... Stephanie is a second-year varsity player but at the same time she plays like she's been here for six years." With the scoreboard clock stopped late in the second half and official time kept on the sideline, Palmucci said she didn't know how much time remained.

"I wasn't thinking about it, but I had an idea because we had been playing for so long," she said. "I just knew the pressure was on and I had to do something."

Oakton showed patience with its initial possession of the first 3-minute overtime period. After more than 90 seconds had run off the clock, Palmucci attacked and scored what proved to be the game-winner.

"She's amazing," senior midfielder Karlie Cronin said. "Even for being so young, she's definitely a leader on the field."

Senior midfielder Kelsey McWilliams led Oakton with four goals. Cronin and senior attacker Lydia Montanino each scored three goals, sophomore attacker/midfielder Rachel Pionke and senior midfielder Jackie McGuinness each had two. Junior attacker Layne Stikeleather added one.

Wakefield and Newell each scored four goals for Centreville.

THE WIN improved Oakton's record 10-5 and earned the defending region champion Cougars a return trip to the region final. Oakton secured a state berth by beating Madison 14-6 in the region quarterfinals on May 28.

"I like the underdog standpoint," Counts said. "Some of the other people are kind of like, 'Hey, why aren't they giving us any attention?' Every year, I put my money on being the under-the-radar kind of person. Nothing exciting, no advertising our stats ... we do it together, from the bench to the people on the field to the people in-between. We are just intensely excited that we get to play in the regional final when



Oakton senior Karlie Cronin attacks the goal during Saturday's 6A North region semifinal contest against Centreville.

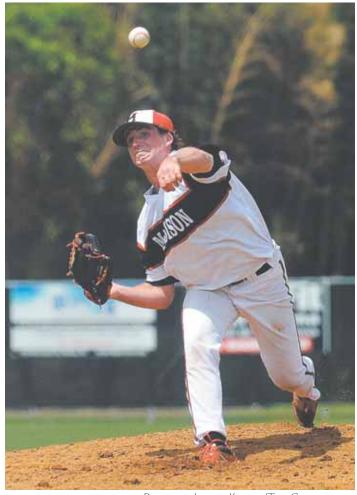


Photo by Louise Krafft/The Connection

Madison pitcher Brian Eckert earned the win during the Warhawks' 9-1 victory over T.C. Williams on May 29 in the opening round of the 6A North region tournament. Eckert allowed one unearned run on three hits over six innings.

Madison Baseball Wins Regional Opener

The Madison baseball team defeated T.C. Williams 9-1 on May 29 during the opening round of the 6A North region tournament at Madison High School.

Senior left-hander Brian Eckert earned the win, allowing one unearned run on three hits over six innings. He walked one, hit one batter and struck out nine.

Madison's Bryan Harthun went 2-for-3 with a home run and two RBIs. Jordan Ebersole was 2-for-3 with a pair of doubles, and Matt Favero had a two-run single.

After a rainout on Monday, Madison was scheduled to face Herndon in the quarterfinals on Tuesday, after The Connection's deadline.

6A North Boys' Soccer Semifinal Matchups Set

The 6A North region boys' soccer tournament is down to its final four.

Woodson, the No. 3 seed from Conference 7, will host Madison, the No. 3 seed from Conference 6, at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 3 in the region semifinals. Later that night, Conference 6 champion Langley will host Oakton at 7 p.m.

The winner of each match will advance to the region final and secure a berth in the state tournament.

South Lakes Baseball Upsets Lake Braddock

The South Lakes baseball team, the No. 4 seed from Conference 6, knocked off Conference 7 champion Lake Braddock 5-0 on May 29 in the opening round of the regional tournament.

The Seahawks' first regional appearance since 2003 ended on Monday with an 8-2 loss to Battlefield in the quarterfinals.

News

Northern Virginia Community **College Acting** President Mel D. Schiavelli (middle) congratulated NOVA students Chun-Ming "Chris" Chen and Maria Vera Alvarez on receiving scholar ships from the **Jack Kent Cooke** Foundation.



Two NOVA students receive Jack Kent Cooke Scholarships

Chun-Ming "Chris" Chen of Vienna and Maria Vera Alvarez of South Riding have been awarded Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Undergraduate Transfer Scholarships. Both students attend Northern Virginia Commu-

Chen and Vera Alvarez are among 90 students nationally to receive the award which provides up to \$40,000 a year toward tuition, books, living expenses and required fees for the final two to three years needed to earn a bachelor's degree. It is the largest private scholarship for two-year and community college transfer students in the country.

"Everyone at NOVA applauds Maria and Chris for earning these significant scholarships. We are delighted and thankful that the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation will support these two exceptional students as they continue their educations," said Acting President Mel D. Schiavelli.

Chen, 22, was born in Taiwan and came to the United States when he was 9 years old. In 2011, he graduated from Chantilly High School where he earned 52 credits through Advanced Placement courses. At NOVA, he serves as co-president of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars and is a member of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society. He is on track to graduate in summer

2015 with an associate degree in business administration and a 4.0 GPA

Chen thanked a long list of NOVA professors, advisors and students for helping him through the application process. "Winning this award was truly a team effort. I could not have done it without these people's help," he said.

When asked how the scholarship will affect his life, Chen replied, "Words cannot describe how much this scholarship means. It is a game changer and I will be forever grateful to the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation and those who helped me on my journey."

Chen has been accepted at Georgetown University and the University of Virginia, but he is waiting to hear from other universities before making a decision about where to continue his education. Wherever he goes, he will study finance to pursue his goal of becoming a fund manager so he can raise and manage funds for future students.

Chen and Vera Alvarez join a growing number of NOVA Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Scholars. Over the last 10 years, 12 NOVA students have been selected for Jack Kent Cooke Scholarships. Selection criteria focus on exceptional academic ability and achievements, financial need, persistence, leadership and a desire to help others.

OBITUARY

John F. Gionfriddo, Former Town Attorney, Dies

The Town of Vienna is deeply saddened by the passing of former town Attorney John F. Gionfriddo on Monday, May 25, 2015.

"The people of Vienna greatly appreciate Town Attorney Gionfriddo's 36 years of long-time service. His service helped to shape the small Town image of Vienna that we know today, " said Mayor Laurie

Gionfriddo, a graduate of Georgetown University School of Law, became Town Attorney in 1966, he later retired in 2002. He had previously served as Chairman of Vienna's Board of Zoning Appeals and as Associate Judge of the Municipal Court of Vienna. In 1983, he became a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, an honor limited to only one percent of the attorneys in each state. He is also listed in "Best Lawyers in America," which is highly regarded.

"John ably served the Town as the Town

Attorney for 36 years. His length of service is a testament to the sage and sound legal advice he provided to the Town. I will miss his friendship, counsel and advice," said Town Attorney Steven Briglia.

Gionfriddo drafted several significant policies for the Town and wrote a blighted property statute that gave the Town the ability to clean up run-down and abandoned properties. The statute passed through the Virginia General Assembly, and was picked up by several other municipalities.

Gionfriddo was described as a kind, humble person who was reluctant to speak of his many accomplishments. "I was always very proud of being a lawyer, it's an honored profession. I helped people. I loved law," said Gionfriddo during a 2002 interview with Connection Newspapers.

A burial will take place at Arlington National Cemetery at a later date.



From left - Michael Williamson, Cassie Wiltse, Lindsey Jacobson, Megan Griggs in Oakton High production of "Mary Poppins."

A 'Perfect Nanny' Comes to Oakton High

BY JULIE LEE Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology

he wind has changed and here comes our practically perfect nanny Mary Poppins! Oakton High School skillfully performed the endlessly enchanting tale of Mary Poppins and reconnected the distant hearts of the Banks family.

Based on a series of novels by Pamela Lyndon Travers, the musical version of Mary Poppins was produced by Cameron Mackintosh with original songs by Sherman Brothers and additional numbers by George Stiles and Anthony Drewe. It debuted in 2004 in West End, United Kingdom, and enjoyed a renowned three-year run. The Broadway version debuted in 2007 and outperformed the West End run by three years and earned seven Tony Award nominations and a win for Best Scenic Design.

Mary Poppins was masterfully played by Megan Griggs, who wonderfully captured the sharp-tongued yet caring young nanny. Griggs' interactions with the children felt natural and sincere, while those with jocular Bert, played by Michael Williamson, were wistful and memorable.

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The entire Banks family, including the children Jane and Michael (Lindsay Jacobson and Cassie Wiltse) had great chemistry and tension that detailed a developing familial bond. Mr. Banks, played by Rob Condas, especially had a deep character development. The ensemble bounced with energy, especially during the number "Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious" with constant movement and never losing a

The technical aspects were particularly crucial to the musical: both the cold, sharp feel of 1930s London and the colorful cheeriness of Mary Poppins' fantastic adventures had to coexist without clashing. The set, though somewhat disjointed in certain places, displayed a creative use of space and structures to maintain a chaotic order of Cherry Tree Lane. The sound was mostly flawless, and the choreography well-designed.

While the wind had changed again and Mary Poppins rode the wind to help another family desperate in need of a magical nanny, Oakton High School's rendition of the musical left all with a spoonful of sugar to help life's occasional bitter medicine.

Weichert, Realtors Names Top Associate

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Obituary Patricia Purcell Nutter

On May 11, 2015, Patricia Purcell Nutter passed away with devoted family and friends by her side. She passed peacefully in her home at Lake of the Woods, Locust Grove, Virginia. She

was the beloved wife of her late husband, of 59 years, Joseph William Nutter. She is survived by her four daughters, Nancy Ellen Lyon, Judith Nutter Amberly, Patricia Nutter Booth, and Janet Nutter Bartlett, and sons in law Richard Garrison Booth, and Charles David Bartlett, her grandchildren, Blair Amberly, Patricia Minson, Grady Sorrells, Taylor Booth, William Booth, Joseph Sorrells and Cole Sorrells and 3 great grandchildren.

She was a loving and supportive wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. She was deeply loved, and believed that family came first. Pat was a native of Washington, D.C. At the age of 16 she attended George Washington University where she received her undergraduate degree in history. She received her master's degree from Columbia University in English. Pat and her late husband were long-time residents of Vienna, Virginia. They were both active in the Vienna Community Center, the Vienna Pigtail Ponytail League, Girl Scouting, the Vienna Woods Swim Club, and the Vienna Presbyterian Church. Pat was an educator. Her last 20 years of teaching was in Fairfax County Public Schools, teaching Latin and English. After retirement, she became a full time resident of Lake of the Woods, where she enjoyed her friendships there including Red Hat Society.

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scientific study. Even in death, Pat continues to educate oth-

ships there including Red Hat Society

Mary Washington Hospital Hospice.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, June 6, 2015, for a service at 11:30 in the Chapel of the Vienna Presbyterian Church. A reception will follow in the great hall of the church. 124 Park Street NE, Vienna, Virginia.

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