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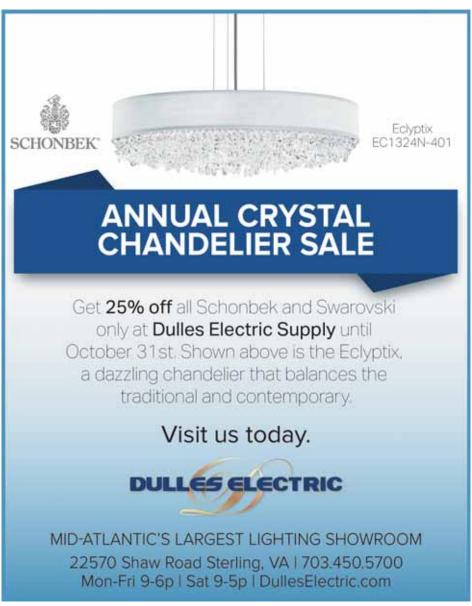
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# First-hand Lesson on Holocaust

Expressions of the Holocaust: GMU group gathers survivors to share memories.

> BY ANDREA WORKER The Connection

n the seventy-seventh anniversary of when supposedly civilized nations lost their collective minds, we are here to learn the lesson - first hand - of what can happen when people just stand by and do nothing." That was how George Mason University President Dr. Angel Cabrera described the Expressions of the Holocaust event, organized by Mason Hillel, the school's Jewish life organization, at which he was a guest speaker on Sunday, Oct. 25.

As he greeted the assembly of thirty Holocaust survivors, families, friends, Hillel members, students and community guests, Cabrera was referring to the upcoming anniversary of Kristallnacht (The Night of Broken Glass), the night in 1938 when mob violence (later aided by Nazi Storm Troopers, members of the SS and Hitler Youth) broke out across Germany, Austria and other Nazi controlled areas. By morning, untold numbers of Jews were beaten or murdered. Jewish homes and businesses were looted or destroyed. Hundreds of synagogues were vandalized or burnt to the ground, and some 30,000 Jewish men were arrested to be later sent to concentration camps. Many historians view Kristallnacht as the public ignition point of the Nazis' determination to rid the Jewish presence from anywhere within their sphere of control and influence.

Groups like Mason Hillel are determined that the lessons of the past are not lost. "This is our third program dedicated to Holocaust education and remembrance," said Taylor Kreinces, chair of the event. "We will hear memories of our honored guests to better understand their lessons of the Holocaust...to share their experiences and wisdom for future generations." Kreinces asked participants to take a memory from the event and share it, hoping that they, too, will share. "It's the only way to 'never for-

**AFTER THE KOSHER LUNCH** plates were cleared away, student ambassadors started the conversations at each of the round tables with group introductions. Then the survivors began to tell their stories.

Anna Grosz, born Anna Seelfreund on April 20, 1926 in Racsa, Romania, was the daughter of Samuel, a vineyard owner and wine merchant, and Ilona, who cared for Anna and her five sisters. When Anna was 14, her town of Racsa suddenly became part of Hungary, separated from Romania by arbitration between the Axis partners Germany and Italy. The vineyard and the busi-



Taking the stage for a group photo with the honored guests Holocaust Survivors up front and the student ambassadors and members of Mason Hillel in the back at the third Expressions of the Holocaust: Memories event at George Mason University.



Holocaust survivors Felix Nicinski and Dr. Maria Dworzecka with student ambassador Brian Garrett-Glazer. Garrett-Glazer, a May graduate of George Mason University, was 'honored to be given the opportunity to facilitate the conversation' at the table at which Nicinski and Dworzecka shared their stories of the Holocaust. "We are so bombarded with the breaking-news syndrome. This is a chance to hear the personal story and feel its powerful impact." Nicinski, who lost his family during the Holocaust, described trying to readjust to "normal" life after being liberated. "I hadn't held a toothbrush in my hand in 5 years. I hadn't sat down to eat a meal in all the time. It took awhile before things started to feel normal."

Anna Grosz tells her story at the Expressions of the Holocaust event. Grosz volunteers at the United States Holocaust Museum "to help keep the past alive, but from happening again."

ness were confiscated under Hungary's anti-Semitic laws and Samuel was conscripted into the Hungarian Labor Service. The family received a few letters from Samuel at first, then nothing. Samuel Seelfreund never returned home and was never heard from

Anna, her mother and her sisters were eventually forced into the Satu-Mare ghetto. From there they were moved to the concentration camp at Auschwitz. Anna and her sisters Gisella, Clara and Elizabeth were selected for forced labor after their hair was cut and they were disinfected. Her mother and sisters Margaret and Violet did not survive their first night at Auschwitz. They were sent to the gas chambers almost im-

Anna survived life in Auschwitz, then Stutthoff, and then the Praust subcamp. In 1945 the sisters were separated when the SS evacuated most of the prisoners at

Praust, leaving Anna behind since she was "unfit" after breaking her leg. Sister Elizabeth was shot and killed during that evacuation march, but Anna was reunited with Gisella and Clara after Soviet troops liberated the prisoners at Praust.

At another table, Felix Nicinski described his internment at Dora when he was just twelve years old. The camp was mostly underground, safe from Allied air raids, and the prisoners tasked with digging tunnels into the surrounding mountains for subterranean weapons and missile production. "There were 12,000 people held in those tunnels," recalled Nicinski. "For six months we did not see the light of day. Can you imagine that?" But the worst part for this survivor was having everything taken from him upon his arrival. "They took everything we had. They took the pictures I had of my family. I lost them all and that hurts, that I have no pictures of them."

Maria Dworzecka was another Holocaust survivor at the same table. She made light of her experiences, saying she didn't have it as bad as others like Felix. After hearing how she never knew her father or found out what happened to him when her parents were unable to flee Warsaw, or how she was left in the streets at less than three years old when her mother was suddenly taken away to a camp, her table companions couldn't bring themselves to agree with her. Three years later Maria's mother was able to return home, looking for her daughter, but it took months before Maria could re-bond with her mother and they could become a family again. Sadly, only 3 years after their reunion, Maria's mother was killed in a car accident, and Maria was again adopted by a Jewish family.

"But good can come from bad, " she re-



minded her listeners. Maria earned her PhD SEE MEMORIES, PAGE 4



Mason Hillel's mission in organizing the Expressions of the Holocaust event is to ensure that the memories and the lessons are not forgotten, but instead passed to the next generation. Looking at the faces of those listening to the story of Irene Weiss, showing a picture of the moment when her family was separated at Auschwitz and her mother, older brother and three younger siblings were shot and killed, it would appear that the mission is being fulfilled.

# Memories of Holocaust

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in Physics in 1969, and has been teaching at George Mason University since 1982, holding the post of Senior Associate Dean, College of Science from 2006 until 2011. She is also the adoptive mother of daughter Anna. "That just feels right," she says.

AROUND THE ROOM the stories continued, like that of Michel Margosis, born in Belgium to Russian-Jewish parents who had fled there after Michel's father escaped imprisonment in Siberia. Michel's family left Belgium for southern France when he was 14 years old, four days after the Germans invaded Belgium. They escaped from a French internment camp, hid with friends for a year, then walked across the Pyrenees mountains into Spain, where they stayed until Michel was sent to the United States via Portugal, where after 3 years in foster care he was finally reunited with his family.

"How did you handle the shock of all that, moving, hiding, separated from your family and coming to the US all on your own?" asked one of Michel's listeners. "I don't know," he answered. "I think after a while nothing was shocking at that time, when

you were in the middle of it." Echoing GMU President Cabrera's remarks, Michel responded that perhaps the most shocking thing of all was that this could all happen in "civilized countries."

Prompted by the student ambassadors and interesting questions from their tablemates, the memories continued to flow, but eventually talk turned to how these terrible lessons of yesterday could be used to better circumstances and situations of today.

"As painful as it might be, take 'Never Forget' to heart," said Grosz. "Share your stories, like we are doing today," said Michel Margosis. "Listen. Learn. Take action," said student ambassador Brian Garrett-Glaser. "Pass it along and don't let the stories die with this generation," said Leonie Vandersee, newly arrived from Berlin to work with the American Jewish Committee via the Action Reconciliation Service for Peace

"And don't forget," said Dr. Maria Dworzecka, "the real evil is to just stand by and think this can't happen, or I can't do anything. Remember that Hitler was chosen in a democratic election. Everyone needs to stand up, not stand by."



Leonie Vandersee, only a month in America from Germany, talks with Holocaust survivor Michel Margosis and Bahador Nezhad, who introduced himself at the table as "not Jewish, but privileged to be here and be part of this moment. I was pleased to be invited."



Delegate Eileen Filler-Corn, Chair of Jobs for Virginia (JVG), with Barry Glenn, Executive Director of JVG Graduates and the newly elected JVG President and Vice President.

# Delegate Filler-Corn Addresses Student Leadership Conference

ast Wednesday, Del. Eileen Filler-Corn (D-41) served as the key note speaker at the Jobs for Virginia Graduates' Student Leadership Conference in Richmond. She currently serves as chair of the organization.

Jobs for Virginia Graduates (JVG) currently works with over 1,250 high school students in the Commonwealth per year. The program seeks to work with at-risk and disadvantaged youth to graduate from high school and then obtain and keep quality jobs. It is affiliated with the Jobs for American Graduates (JAG) program. Using JAG's model, JVG acts as one of the state's initiatives for decreasing the dropout rate and improving the transition from school to work. JVG works through Virginia's public school system, and together with state employment programs.

In her remarks to the students, Del. Filler-Corn first spoke about her journey to elected office and then addressed the

importance of improving the world, finding commitments beyond careers and college, and the values of perseverance and resilience.

"What does it mean to improve the world?" asked Filler-Corn. "Some argue that it means building an ethical society. We improve our world by treating people how they want to be treated and encouraging others to do the same...others argue that improving the world should be a call to action. It's a responsibility. People cannot only focus on creating this model society within their own communities, but they are responsible for the welfare of a greater world at large. I truly take this to heart.

"As the Chair of JVG, it was wonderful to meet many smart and promising students who have already overcome tremendous challenges in their young lives and remain positive and hopeful for achieving a bright future." said Filler-Corn after her remarks.



Delegate Eileen Filler-Corn with the student participants of Student Leadership Conference in Richmond.



At eight months pregnant, Yvette has to juggle doctor appointments, work meetings and spending time with her son. Yvette works in Reston and lives in Woodbridge so she relies on the 495 and 95 Express Lanes getting to and from work. Yvette also loves that she's never late to pick her son up from school. Now she has more time for her family—and for herself. Her stress has decreased and she's able to enjoy a healthy pregnancy and being a mom while maintaining her career.

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# School Board Promotes Dyslexia Awareness

### And adopts two-hour delay for March Primary.

By Tim Peterson
The Connection

ine-year-old Maxwell Gebharts stood confidently on a stepstool to address the Fairfax County School Board Oct. 22. "My old school didn't know I was dyslexic," he said. "I was very sad and felt like I wasn't keeping up with everybody."

Gebharts was one of several individuals to speak at the board's Thursday night business meeting on behalf of Decoding Dyslexia Virginia, the local chapter of a national grassroots organization advocating for better teacher training and resources for dyslexic students, as well as connecting parents with existing resources.

"I hope you can make it so kids like me don't have to leave their friends, don't have to struggle," Gebharts said. Board members and dozens of Decoding Dyslexia members and supporters applauded him when he finished speaking.

High school senior Calvin Rizek spoke next, explaining that he is currently taking all his remaining classes at Northern Virginia Community College. "The way you have failed me is not approaching dyslexia properly," he said. Rizek's mother got him a tutor in elementary school after he was "not taught the correct way to learn to read" in Fairfax County.

"I've been in the school system 15 years," Rizek said, "and I've been dyslexic the whole time, and not seen any change. Please act fast so you don't fail anyone else."

The speakers came to the meeting to coincide with the board recognizing October as Dyslexia Awareness Month.

Board members typically don't respond to citizen participation, though chairman Pat Hynes has acknowledged professional development for teachers could be more focused in the area of dyslexia, and that the school system's Strategic Plan calls for "getting tighter on early literacy."

Superintendent Dr. Karen Garza has taken action including requiring elementary school administrators and instructional staff be trained to recognize dyslexia symptoms and warning signs.

"I'm extremely excited to see the progress that we have going on not only in Fairfax County but in the Commonwealth of Virginia," Braddock District representative



Members of Decoding Dyslexia Virginia came out in support of the Fairfax County School Board recognizing October as Dyslexia Awareness Month at the Oct. 22 meeting.



Kate Hanley of the Fairfax County Electoral Board Office of Elections, formerly chairman of the Board of Supervisors and School Board representative from the Providence District, spoke to the significance of the later school start times for the Presidential primary on March 1, 2016.



Nine-year-old Maxwell Gebharts (left) was one of several individuals to speak at the School Board's Oct. 22 business meeting on behalf of Decoding Dyslexia Virginia



Calvin Rizek started working with an outside tutor in elementary school to help him overcome dyslexia and learn to read.

Megan McLaughlin before she read the proclamation.

She described Decoding Dyslexia as being led by "by extraordinary women who have really helped to shape not only better practices here in Fairfax County, but within the Commonwealth of Virginia. To all of you, thank you so much for what you're doing to improve the lives of our children."

A workshop hosted by the Office of Special Education Instruction for parents of elementary school students with dyslexia is scheduled for Nov. 13 from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Dunn Loring Center, 2334 Gallows Road.

WITH LOCAL ELECTIONS LOOMING, the board voted unanimously to have schools start two hours late on March 1, 2016, to accommodate the presidential primary voting.

Kate Hanley of the of Fairfax County Electoral Board Office of Elections, formerly chairman of the Board of Supervisors and School Board representative from the Providence District, spoke to the significance of the later school start times.

Hanley reminded the board "Super Tuesday" is a dual primary, with both parties fielding candidates for voting on the same day, at the same locations. "The whole thing is coming to town," she said.

According to Fairfax County, 165 of the 196 schools and centers in the system are used as polling places.

"Voters must have free access to polls," Hanley said, adding that starting later "will mitigate many of our problems," such as parking congestion during pickup and dropoff times that coincide with heavy voting waves.

#### SCHOOL NOTES -

Send notes to the Connection at south@connectionnewspapers.com or call 703-778-9416. Deadline is Friday. Dated announcements should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event.

Joshua Blaz, a graduate of J.W. Robinson Secondary School, received the Tyree/Parajon, First Year Merit Scholarship at Denison University. The Tyree/Parajon Scholarship is based on academic achievement, leadership and personal merit.

Six students in Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) have been named **regional finalists in the 2015 Siemens Competition in Math, Science, and Technology.** The students, who attend South County High School and Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology (TJHSST), are part of a group of 97 regional finalists who will compete in one of six regional events in November.

Finalists include five TJHSST students — Daniel Chae, Kelly Cho, Harriet Khang, Christina Oh and Michael You — as well as Edward Oh, South County High School.

Brendan Richard O'Connor of Fairfax Station has accepted membership in the National Society of Collegiate Scholars. NSCS is a member of the Association of College Honor Societies and is the the nation's only interdisciplinary honors organization for first-year and second-year college students. Membership is by invitation only, based on grade point average and class standing. He is a sophomore at the College of William and Marv

William Douglas Krawczak of Springfield has been recognized by George Mason University on the school's dean's list for his academic achievement during the spring semester. William graduated from West Springfield High School and is double majoring in English and Economics at George Mason University. Recognition on the George Mason University dean's list is reserved for students who were registered for 12 or more semester hours and received a grade point average of 3.2 or higher with no grade below a C for the previous semester's work.

Katie Bershadsky, born and raised in Burke, has been selected to the Delta Epsilon Iota Academic Honor Society in the local chapter at Kennesaw State University. Delta Epsilon Iota was established to recognize and encourage academic excellence in all fields of study. Bershadsky is expected to graduate in 2018 with a major in public relations. Her parents are Scott and Kim Bershadsky. Her grandparents Malcolm and Marcia have lived in Burke for more than 30 years.

Jacob M. Sage, of Burke, Junior, Pre-Construction Engr Mgt. has made the Scholastic Honor Roll Fall term at the Oregon State University. A total of 861 students earned straight-A (4.0). Another 3,598 earned a Bplus (3.5) or better to make the listing. To be on the Honor Roll, students must carry at least 12 graded hours of coursework.



Current and former directors of St. Andrew's **Episcopal Preschool** celebrate its 30th **Anniver**sary.

## St. Andrew's Episcopal Preschool Celebrates 30th Anniversary

ore than a hundred people turned out for the 30th Anniversary of St. Andrew's Episcopal Preschool on Oct. 24. Many alumni including some from the class of 1989 came back to visit their former preschool.

The festivities began with some history provided by Scootie Prior who was on the original committee to start a preschool in the Burke-Springfield area. The doors opened in September 1985 with seventy-two children three to five years old. Since that time more than two thousand children have attended the program. Children have learned and laughed and

families have connected to form lifelong bonds.

Former directors — Sharon Winstead, Pat Conrad, Heather Hunt Maupin — and other past staff attended the event and reminisced about all the children who have been enriched by this preschool program. The preschool has grown over the years but the fundamental philosophy remains the same: to provide a loving place for a child to develop socially, emotionally, physically, cognitively and spiritually. Enhancements to the program include special science and music programs, lunch bunch days and Enrichment classes for kindergarten-bound students.

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# Vote Yes for the Fairfax County School Bond Referendum

By Len Forkas Chairman Fairfax Citizens for Better Schools

n Nov. 3, please vote Yes for the \$300 million in infrastructure improvements for Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS).

Fairfax County residents enjoy the benefits of having one of the best school systems in the nation, but with over 196 schools serving

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over 187,000 students, its aging infrastructure is in

dire need of improvements. Voting Yes on the school bond referendum will allow the county to maintain the "world class education system" which FCPS provides. This is a driving force behind our region's economic success. Nearly 75 percent of high school graduates in Fairfax County schools attend some form of post-secondary education. Many of these students return to Fairfax County to find work after graduating.

FCPS is the largest public school system in the Commonwealth and the 10th largest school system in the nation. Recent significant increases in student enrollment have pushed some schools far beyond

Since the 2008-2009 school year, enrollment has increased by more than 22,000 students and continued strong growth is anticipated. On top of that, existing classrooms are in dire need of renovations to assure student safety.

FCPS facilities also act as community centers with nearly 2,000 community organizations utilizing FCPS facilities every year.

Bonds are the means by which we provide the funding necessary for our students' facilities. The use of bonds avoids diverting funds that are critically needed for classroom instruction. They also spread the financing of required school construction over improvement's usable life, diversifying the contribution throughout several years.

In addition, it is important to note that the School Bond will not increase county taxes. The sale of bonds avoids taking funds that are critically needed for classroom instruction

The use of bonds will not affect the county's coveted bond rating. Not only are interest rates for tax exempt bonds at a near all time low, but Fairfax County is also

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Domestic Violence Includes Financial Abuse

# The intertwinement of domestic violence and homelessness in Fairfax County.

By Joe Meyer EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & CEO Shelter House, Inc

hat if you wake up one day in fear of your physical safety? What would you do if you had absolutely no access to any of your bank accounts? What if you found yourself completely isolated from your friends and family and had no rethe very real situations that victims selves in before they seek out support and shelter.

Shelter House, Inc. operates Fairfax County's only 24-hour emergency domestic violence shel- rience domestic violence in their

ter, Artemis House. This past year, Artemis House increased its bed capacity from 34 to 42 trying to meet the needs of the 60-100 individuals who call the Artemis House hotline on a monthly-basis.

One recent Artemis House resident "had no access to the family account, credit/debit cards. [The abuser] did not even give her, as we often see, an 'allowance.' She could not even ask for feminine sources? Unfortunately, these are hygiene products. He made all the financial decisions and still acof domestic violence find them- cused her of stealing money," says Suzanne Pigg, director of Artemis House.

Statistics show that 1 in 4 women and 1 in 7 men will expe-

lifetime. Chances are you either have been or know someone who has been in a situation of domestic violence. And in 2015, 41 percent of adults in families who were homeless reported that it was because of domestic violence. This is an alarming increase from 33 percent in 2014.

Because of the overlapping circumstances of homelessness and domestic violence, Artemis House isn't the only safe-haven for victims of domestic violence. Shelter House operates two other family shelters–Katherine Hanley and Patrick Henry Family Sheltersthat house an overwhelming amount of homeless families who have also experienced and been

affected by domestic violence. This is an addition to Shelter House's transitional and permanent supportive housing services - programs that also see a large amount of cases where families are affected by domestic violence. Why are so many families who

are homeless affected by domestic violence? One big reason is 98 percent of domestic violence cases involve financial abuse. Many families who are homeless have experienced having an abuser control their access to accounts, imposing a strict allowance of funds or coercing them into signing documents for loans or leases. The ways in which financial abuse occurs varies, but is a consistent threat and serves as an effective and damaging way for an abuser to keep a victim under their control.

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#### AREA ROUNDUPS

## Hunger Walk to Help in Disaster relief

The Burke Area CROP Hunger Walk will be held on Sunday, Nov. 22. Area residents of different faiths, cultures, and ages, will be walking together (6K/3.7 miles or shorter Golden Mile) to support local and global efforts to fight world hunger and bring disaster relief to victims of recent disasters. Proceeds benefit international relief and development efforts of Church World Service and local Ecumenical Community Helping Others (ECHO) in Springfield and Western Fairfax Christian Ministries (WFCM) in Chantilly. Nonperishable food will be collected for ECHO. Shuttle buses are available and no entry fee is required. Walker envelopes for sponsor donations are available prior to the walk or at the 1:30 p.m. registration. Walk begins 2:00 p.m., Living Savior Lutheran Church, 5500 Ox Road, Fairfax Station. www.burkecropwalk.org, 703-455-9025, ekringer@aol.com or burkeva.crop@cox.net.

# Violence

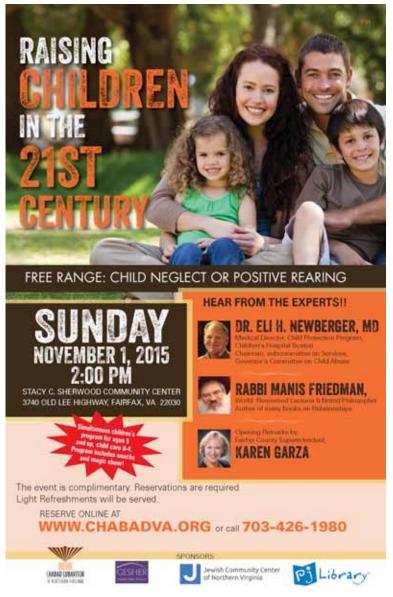
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Domestic violence and the homelessness that it can lead to are not separate or isolated issues. They are intertwined issues that affect individuals and families and communities. It is up to us as a community to speak out against abusers and stand in solidarity with those who have been victims of domestic violence and financial abuse. Part of Shelter House's outreach efforts this year have included participating in the Purple Purse Challenge, a national month-long awareness and fundraising campaign held in October aimed at promoting financial empowerment. But much like homelessness and domestic violence, our outreach does not end in October. Help us raise awareness and make an impact by visiting www.shelterhouse.org and find out ways you can get involved.

If you or someone you know is experiencing domestic violence, contact the 24-hour county hotline or Artemis House hotline to discuss: 24 hour hotline/helpline: 703- 360-7273, TTY: 703-435-1235 Artemis House: 703-435-4940.









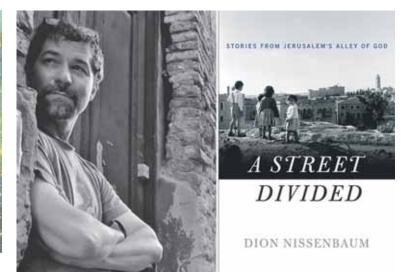






Jennifer Rosner ("The Mitten String")

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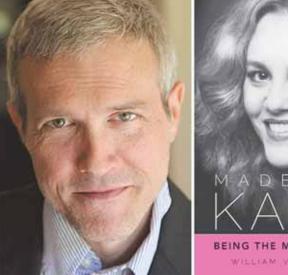
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# Northern Virginia j.talks Welcomes Authors for Book Fest

Elyssa Friedland Jennifer Rosner, Dion Nissenbaum and William V. Madison visit between Oct. 29-Nov. 10.

orthern Virginia j.talks, conversations with authors and artists, has announced the visiting authors for this year's Book Fest, running Oct. 29–Nov. 10. Most programs and a book sale will be held at the Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia (the J). The J is a member of the Jewish Book Council, and most author appearances are courtesy of the JBC, including visits from Elyssa Friedland ("Love and Miss Communication"), Jennifer Rosner ("The Mitten String"), Dion God"), and William V. Madison ("Madeline Kahn: Being The Mudren. sic – A Life"). In addition, j.talks will host a local author event at One More Page Books on Nov. 4. i.talks is a program of the J.

The Book Fest opening event is a visit from author Elyssa Friedland on Thursday, Oct. 29 at 7:30 p.m. Friedland's debut novel, "Love and learning to appreciate our physi- in Arlington. This free admission Miss Communication," asks us to cal differences. When Ruthie's fame event is like speed dating, but with look up from our screens and out ily invites a deaf woman and her authors. They'll have just three at the world... and to imagine what baby to stay with them, she won-minutes to capture your imaginalife would be like with no searches, ders how the mother will know if tion. Local authors participating no texts, no tweets, and no posts! her child wakes in the night. The include Jacqueline Jules. Eric Madison's own biography: "I've "Love and Miss Communication' is surprising answer inspires Ruthie Lotke, Alan Orloff, Deno Seder, been a producer on radio, a writer a breezy, funny, and timely debut to make a special gift. Jennifer is Dave Tevelin, and Courtney Tisch. on television, a gopher on Broadnovel ... a cut above standard chick raising two deaf daughters in a Journalist Dion Nissenbaum re- way, a stage manager, and costume lit fare. Despite its up-to-date talking family and a hearing world, cently took on a new reporting as- designer off-off-Broadway, an opthemes, it's a smart, funny, and which she wrote about in the adult signment for The Wall Street Jour- era critic, a secretary, a reporter, an



William V. Madison ("Madeline Kahn: Being The Music - A

sweetly old-fashioned love story." — Examiner.com. Friedland has written for publications including Modern Bride, New York Magazine, and Columbia Journalism Review. She attended Yale University, where she served as managing editor of the Yale Daily News. Nissenbaum ("A Street Divided: She is a graduate of Columbia Law Stories from Jerusalem's Alley of School. She lives in New York City nate (these will be donated to a with her husband and three chil-

> Enjoy a special storytime with author Jennifer Rosner on Sunday, Nov. 1 at 2 p.m. at Barnes & Noble Booksellers at Tysons Corner Mall. "The Mitten String," a modern folktale told with beautiful language and imagery, is a story of

memoir, "If a Tree Falls." "The Mitten String" was inspired by the story of a deaf ancestor whom she discovered in the course of researching her family tree. This free event is hosted in partnership with JCCNV Growing Jewish Families and PJ Library; please consider bringing a pair of mittens to dolocal shelter serving families). In addition to the reading (most appreciated by ages 4-9; siblings welcome), there will be crafts, games, door prizes and photo opportunities with the author.

The j.talks Local Author Event will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 4 at 7 p.m. at One More Page Books

Sunday, Nov. 8 at 7 p.m. to talk about his new book, "A Street Divided: Stories from Jerusalem's Alley of God." Arab families called it "al Mantiqa Haram." Jewish residents knew it as "shetach hefker." In both languages it meant the same thing: "the Forbidden Area." To folks on either side of the border, it was a dangerous no-man's land separating warring nations and feuding cultures. Prior to his assignment in Turkey, he was a national security reporter based in Washington for The Wall Street Journal. Previously, Dion was based in Afghanistan, where he traveled around the country both as an independent journalist and with U.S. military. He has won several awards, including a National Press Club award for diplomatic correspondence.

The Book Fest closing event features William V. Madison on Tuesday, Nov. 10, 7:30 p.m. who presents the first biography of the beloved Tony-winning and Oscarnominated actress, "Madeline Kahn: Being the Music — A Life." The book examines the career of a star who grew up in a non-observant family and went on to work frequently with Jewish writer-directors such as Mel Brooks, Peter Bogdanovich, and Gene Wilder. With a special focus on Madeline's work in Wendy Wasserstein's play "The Sisters Rosensweig" and Eric Mendelsohn's film "Judy Berlin," each of which explores Jewish cultural heritage, the book also examines subtler treatment of Jewish themes in Young Frankenstein and High Anxiety, among others.

editor, an actor, a teacher, and a go- is an aspiring actress whose zippy go boy. ... My former bosses include idealism is at odds with her small Robert V. Straus and Lee Guber, and broadcast journalists Dan Rather and Connie Chung."

Prior to Madison's talk, the J will screen Madeline Kahn's last film, "Judy Berlin" (Tuesday, Nov. 10, 4:45 p.m.). Judy Berlin (Edie Falco)

soprano Teresa Stratas, actress suburban community, where a so-Madeline Lee Gilford, producers lar eclipse induces town inhabitants, including a lonely housewife (Madeline Kahn), frustrated schoolteacher (Barbara Barrie), and a school principal (Bob Dishy) to search for solace and understanding in themselves and each other. With Julie Kavner and Anne Meara.

airfax County reports nearly 160 domestic violence arrests are made each month in the county. To bring more attention to this issue and in light of October being declared Domestic Violence Awareness month in Fairfax County, supervisor John Cook (R-Braddock) hosted his

third annual Stop Domestic Vio-

on Oct. 15 at Chuy's restaurant in

Fairfax.

Fairfax Mayor Scott Silverthorne and Fairfax County Sheriff Stacey Kincaid were co-hosts of the event, which also featured executive director and chief executive officer of Shelter House Joe Meyer.

"Fairfax County is committed to helping those affected by domestic violence," Cook said in a statement. "As a community, we are all working hard to shed light on the ssue of family violence in an effort to reduce its occurrence within our county and to provide those they can get much needed assis-

met at Chuy's restaurant in Fairfax on Oct. 15 to raise awareness for stopping domestic violence and providing support services for domestic violence victims.

events and other resources, visit For more information on domes- www.fairfaxcounty.gov/



lence Community Awareness Event From left, City of Fairfax Mayor Scott Silverthorne, City of Fairfax Council member Michael DeMarco, Fairfax County Sheriff Stacey Kincaid, supervisor John Cook (R-Braddock) and executive director and chief executive officer of Shelter House Joe Meyer

tance. There are so many people who work very hard behind the affected with knowledge on where scenes and I want to especially tic violence statistics in Fairfax domesticviolence. thank them for all that they do for

# Boosterthon Fun Run Inspires Students to Build Character through Sports

780 students ran in the Boosterthon Fun Run at Keene Mill Elementary. On Sept. 30, more than 700 students ran in the Boosterthon Fun Run at Eagle View Elemen-

The Boosterthon Fun Run was the culminating event of the nine-day Boosterthon program themed "Big World Recess," where students learned character through sports in other cul-

During the nine days, students at both schools experienced up close how sports bring people together. Documentary-style videos taught students how to develop teamwork, curiosity, practice, humility, confidence and endurance through the everyday stories of six child-athletes from around the world.

dents and the community. Keene funds raised by the students will **their students during the** be going towards building a new **Boosterthon Fun Run.** 

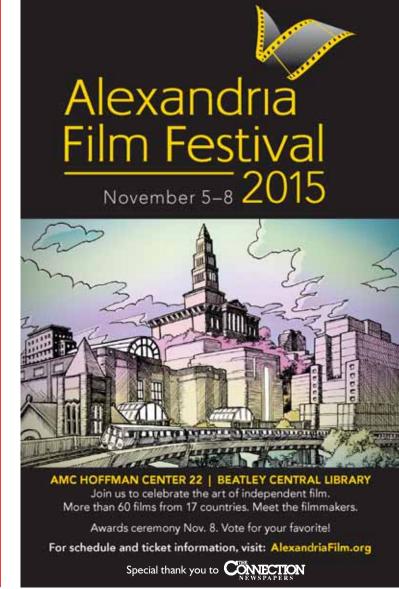


On average, students at Keene Mill Elementary ran 30-35 laps to celebrate the funds they raised for their school during the nine-day program.

In addition, Eagle View Elementary is also set to profit more than \$20,000 from the nine-day fundraiser. The funds raised will From the hard work of the stube used to fund the PTA budget for the year.

Mill Elementary will profit more The Boosterthon Fun Run was truly than \$20,000 from the nine-day **a community effort. Teachers, family** fundraiser at the school. The **members and friends cheered on** 





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# ELECTION '15

# Candidates for State Senate in 37th District

#### Dave Bergman (R)

Challenger, Senate in 37th District Town of residence: Centreville Age: 46

Family: Wife and two kids
Education: Annandale High
School – 1987, BA - James
Madison University – 1991, JD Widener School of Law – 1995
Offices held, dates: Never held
office before, first time candidate
Occupation and relevant

experience: Vice President of Legal and External Affairs and Chief Legal Officer for the National Board for Certified Counselors

**Community involvement:** Youth Soccer Coach of 11 years

Website: www.bergmanforsenate.com
Email address: dave@bergmanforsenate.com
Twitter handle: twitter.com/DaveMBergman
Name three favorite endorsements: Sen. Dick
Black, Del. Tim Hugo

#### **QUESTIONS:**

# 1. What is one issue that defines your call to serve, why does it matter, and how will you tackle it?

I feel strongly about a lot of issues, but issues come and go. What is important in the long run are the principles I would bring to the task of representing the people of Fairfax County in the state senate. I believe government should be the court of last resort; many problems can be solved by people working together. I believe the more freedom and the less regulation, the better. I believe in lower taxes, more jobs, and a robust economy. I believe religious liberty is essential to our democracy. My call to service is driven by these principles that I will apply to any issue before the General Assembly.

# 2. What distinguishes you from your opponent(s) and why should voters choose you?

We have policy disagreements in a number of key areas. I am adamantly against McAuliffe's plan to put tolls on I-66. He voted to take money from the roads and put that money into sidewalks (SB 932) and I think that's nuts. And on crime, there is vast chasm between our positions; I support truth in sentencing and no parole for violent offenders, and Marsden doesn't. I also support school choice for our families, while Marsden voted against educational savings accounts for disabled children. Dave Marsden is a good citizen; he's just wrong on some important issues.

# 3. Given the political makeup of the state legislature, what examples from your own experience suggest you can successfully bridge the intense partisan differences there?

The Virginia General Assembly is nowhere near as partisan as many other state legislatures because we have a part-time legislature; its members are not professional politicians; and they all have day jobs. I think an open mind and a willingness to listen to other points of view is important in any legislative body. I have spent my career working with both parties to pass legislation and I will bring that to my job as your

#### 4. In order, list your top 5 specific legislative priorities.

Keeping taxes low. Improving transportation. Working to make our schools better and college in Vir-

ginia more affordable. Improving the mental health system. Preserving human freedom and curtailing the excesses of government.

### 5. How has your district changed in the last 10 years? What caused those changes?

The dirty little secret in the Virginia Senate is that in 2011 the Democrat majority in the senate gerrymandered the district lines to protect their majority. That's why this district begins in Lake Barcroft, snakes through 5 magisterial districts, and ends up near Dulles Airport. Ten years ago the 37th senate district was a lot more compact. I grew up here, and like anyone else who has been here this long, I have seen major good and bad changes. What hasn't changed is what the people want – good jobs, a good education for their children, safe streets and less traffic.

# 6. Will you support legislation restricting high interest lending including car title loans? I dislike car title loan companies as much as the next person. However, these businesses would not exist if there were no customers, so they are filling a need. It seems our job is to make sure these companies are properly licensed and regulated and determine if there are better ways to fill the need.

7. Will you support funding for Fostering Connections which would result in an influx of federal funding for foster children aging out of foster care? I am whole-heartedly for any program that will encourage adoption.

# 8. Do you support expansion of Medicaid under the Affordable Care Act, and if so, what would you do to make that happen?

When the government starts shelling out money somebody, somewhere, has to pay for it. Right now the feds are offering to transfer money from their treasury to Virginia's treasury to put more people on Medicaid, but there is no guarantee the money will continue to flow. And considering that the US government is running a deficit the size of the galactic empire, at some point the largesse will end, which means hard-working Virginians will end up with higher taxes. There is no pot of gold at the end of the rainbow, and the unicorns are not interested in paying our debts.

#### Dave Marsden (D-37)

Incumbent

Town of residence: Burke Age: 67

Family: Wife, Julia, and three sons Education: W.T. Woodson High and Randolph Macon College Offices held, dates: House of

Offices held, dates: House of Delegates, 2006-2010; Virginia Senate 2010-present

Occupation and relevant
experience: Technical
Assistance Director for DSG
working to reduce youth
violence across 10 major U.S.
cities. Former Director Virginia

Department of Juvenile Justice, probation officer, and Superintendent of Fairfax County Juvenile Detention Center.

Community involvement: Board Member Fairfax County Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), former President of the Enterprise School and the West\*Lynch Foundation. Started Virginia's first local secure mental health/substance abuse program for young offenders. Former coach and referee for youth baseball, basketball, football, and soccer. Website: www.marsdenforsenate.com

Email address: david.marsden37@gmail.com Twitter handle: @sendavemarsden Name three favorite endorsements: Fairfax

County and Virginia Education Associations, Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce, and Fairfax County Professional Firefighters Association

#### OHESTIONS:

# 1. What is one issue that defines your call to serve, why does it matter, and how will you tackle it?

I've dedicated my career to keeping Fairfax County and Virginia safe through numerous leadership positions in our juvenile justice system. As a legislator, I've continued that service by working to strengthen the juvenile justice system, starting an adult prison re-entry effort that will reduce recidivism and improve public safety, and cracking down on sexual predators.

# 2. What distinguishes you from your opponent(s) and why should voters choose you?

I'm pleased put my record of leadership and history of dedicated service to this community to the test for re-election. From my career choices to the number of hours I've spent volunteering in our neighborhoods to every vote I've taken as a member of the General Assembly, I've always put the people of Fairfax County first. I've worked with Republicans and Democrats to find solutions to issues, I've worked to bring back our tax dollars for our schools and roads, and I've fought for the values that we share here in Northern Virginia.

3. Given the political makeup of the state legislature, what examples from your own experience suggests you can successfully bridge the intense partisan differences there?

I have a long history of successfully working with Democrats and Republicans to get things done. I've led efforts to build consensus to balance the Commonwealth's budget without raising taxes. Every year you can find multiple examples of my efforts to put progress above partisanship. Three examples from this last year include: 1. SB1314 with Republican Delegate James LeMunyon, prioritizes congestion relief when VDOT is choosing transportation projects instead of a legislator's "pet" project. 2. SB1102

with Republican Senator Mark Obenshain, allowed Uber to legally and safely operate in Virginia. 3. SB1235 with Republican Delegate Dave Albo, is landmark legislation that allows someone suffering from intractable epilepsy to utilize non-psycho active medical cannabidial oils.

### 4. In order, list your top 5 specific legislative priorities.

1. Improving funding for and reforming our education system.

2. Diversifying our economy so we are less dependent on the federal government spending.

3. Fighting against unfair tolling and continuing to invest in our transportation system to ease con-

4. Strengthening our juvenile justice system to ensure our communities are kept safe and advancing evidence based adult re-entry programming.

5. Continuing mental health system reforms so all those who need care receive it.

#### 5. How has your district changed in the last 10 years? What caused those changes?

Fairfax County has long been a growing community, that growth has brought new needs and new opportunities in transportation, education, and human services. I was glad to support the Silver Line and am currently looking at all alternatives to I66 tolls. We've invested more in education, public safety, and human services. Because of the great people who have made Fairfax County home, this is one of the best places to live.

# 6. Will you support legislation restricting high interest lending including car title loans? Yes

7. Will you support funding for Fostering Connections which would result in an influx of federal funding for foster children aging out of foster care? Yes

#### 7. Do you support expansion of Medicaid under the Affordable Care Act?

Yes, I will continue to work with legislators from both parties and Governor McAuliffe to forge a solution to this impasse. Expanding Medicaid will provide health coverage for close to 400,000 Virginians and it is estimated to create \$1.9 billion in economic impact and 30,000 jobs. This issue is too important to our community and Commonwealth to allow us to forgo \$1.8 billion in federal funding that Virginia taxpayers are already paying.

# Information on Voting

Virginia Law allows voters to vote absentee if they could be "working and commuting for 11 or more hours between 6 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Election Day."

You're allowed to count your worst possible commute in estimating how many hours you might be working and commuting on Election Day. If you qualify, you can vote early in-person, see sidebar above.

On Election Day, Nov. 3, polls are open from 6 a.m. - 7 p.m.

You can check your registration status online by going to www.sbe.virginia.gov.

Each voter in Fairfax County can make choices in one State Senate district, one House of Delegates district, Clerk of the Court, Commonwealth's Attorney, Sheriff, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, District member of the Board of Supervisors, Fairfax County School Board at Large (vote for 3); District School Board member; Soil and Water Conservation Board (vote for 3); School Bond for \$310 million, Public Safety Bond for \$151 million. http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/upcoming.htm

It's also worth noting that new, more restrictive voter identification regulations took effect last year. Voters arriving to the polls without required photo ID will be al-

lowed to vote a provisional ballot and will have until noon on the Friday after the election to deliver a copy of identification to their locality's electoral board in order for their provisional ballot to be counted. Photo ID requirements also apply to absentee voters who vote in-person in all elections.

Here are the "acceptable" forms of identification: Valid Virginia Driver's License or Identification Card; valid Virginia DMV issued Veteran's ID card; valid U.S. Passport; Other government-issued photo identification cards (U.S. government or Virginia); valid Virginia college or university student photo identification card; employee identification card containing a photograph of the voter; Virginia Voter Photo ID Card obtained through any local general registrar's office.

"Valid" is defined as a genuine document, bearing the photograph of the voter, and is not expired for more than 12 months.

Any registered voter may apply for a free Virginia Voter Photo Identification from any general registrar's office in the Commonwealth. Voters applying for the Virginia Voter Photo ID Card will have to complete the Virginia Voter Photo Identification Card Application, have their picture taken, and sign the digital signature pad.

#### For More Election Information

Fairfax County Board of Elections, 703-222-0776, http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ elections/upcoming.htm 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax,

Suite 232, Fairfax, 22035; FAX 703-324-2205; email voting@fairfaxcounty.gov

# ELECTION '15

# House District 41

#### Eileen Filler-Corn (D-41)

Incumbent, unopposed Town of residence: Springfield Age: 51

Family: Married to Bob Corn, two children: Jeremy and Alana Education: B.A. Ithaca College, J.D. American University

Offices held, dates: Member, House of Delegates, 2010-

#### Occupation and relevant

**experience:** Director of Government Relations, Albers and Company. Member: Commerce and Labor Committee, Finance

Committee, Transportation Committee, Governor's Climate Change and Resiliency Update Commission, Health Insurance Reform Commission, Joint Commission on Technology and Science, Joint Commission on Transportation Accountability, Virginia Commission on Intergovernmental Cooperation.

**Community involvement:** Current Chair of Jobs for Virginia Graduates, Virginia State Director, Women in Government. Member, Women's Legislative Network Board for National Conference of State Legislators (NCSL). Center for Public Policy Innovation's (CPPI) Board of Directors and the Jewish Foundation for Group Homes' Board of Directors.ºPast Member, Board of Directors for the 2015 World Police and Fire Games in Fairfax County.

Website: www.eileenfillercorn.com Email address: Eileen@eileenfillercorn.com Twitter handle: @EFillerCorn

Name three favorite endorsements: Virginia Education Association, Sierra Club, Northern Virginia Technology Council Tech PAC

#### **OUESTIONS:**

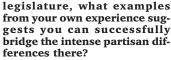
#### 1. What is one issue that defines your call to serve, why does it matter, and how will you tackle it?

One of my proudest legislative achievements was the Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act, which establishes 529-like savings accounts for families of people with disabilities. This bipartisan bill passed both chambers of the General Assembly earlier this year and was signed into law by Gov. McAuliffe. The federal version of the bill originated from the late Stephen Beck who was also a resident of the 41st District, and is considered to be one of the most important disability rights bills passed since the ADA. I was proud to patron the first state bill passed after the federal law was enacted. Making a difference in the lives of so many families remains my goal in office.

# 2. What distinguishes you from your opponent(s) and why should voters choose

While I do not have an opponent this year, I have a long history of service to Virginia and Fairfax County. Since being elected in 2010, I am proud to have earned a reputation for working across party lines, while focusing on our schools, roads and maintaining public safety. Experience, knowledge, and strong relationships are critically

3. Given the political makeup of the state



While currently serving as the House Democratic Whip, I also believe in finding common ground in order to achieve results. I believe in bringing all sides of an issue to the table. When developing legislation, I often focus on building coalitions as we strive to find commonality and compromise. A reasoned approach

and willingness to hear all sides is critically important in developing and passing quality legislation.

#### 4. In order, list your top 5 specific legislative priorities.

1. Education; 2. Economy; 3. Transportation; 4. Public Safety, including Gun Safety; 5. Advocating for the Disability Community

#### 5. How has your district changed in the

last 10 years? What caused those changes? Over the past 10 years, the 41st District has continued to be a great place to live and raise a family. While sequestration continues to affect our region, we have made great strides since the recession. Looking forward, it is important to me that we continue to diversify our economy and continue to fight for our quality schools, including the four high schools in the district: Lake Braddock, Robinson, West Springfield, and Woodson.

#### 6. Will you support legislation restricting high interest lending including car title

Yes, I would support such legislation. While there are not many car title lenders in the 41st District, there's been an increase of them in Northern Virginia. It is very important that consumers need to be well aware of what they are agreeing to in the contracts they sign, and they should not be burdened with unnecessarily high interest rates and

#### 7. Will you support funding for Fostering Connections which would result in an influx of federal funding for foster children aging out of foster care?

I would be interested in looking at potential legislation. Related bills have been proposed in the Senate in 2014 and 2015, although I have never had the opportunity to vote on them. While they passed unanimously out of the Senate, both times the bills died in committee in the House.

#### 8. Do you support expansion of Medicaid under the Affordable Care Act, and if so, what would you do to make that happen?

Yes, I wholeheartedly support closing the coverage gap. I have spoken out vigorously on the Floor of the House of Delegates several times in support of Medicaid expansion. Virginia is clearly in the minority of states who have not expanded Medicaid. It's the right thing to do for Virginians and it's the right thing to do for our economy. The money is there. All we have to do is say yes.

#### In-Person Absentee Voting: Vote Early

- In-Person Absentee Voting Fairfax County Government Center
   Fairfax County Governmental Center Location, Conference Room 2/3, 12000 Government Center Pkwy., Fairfax, VA 22035
- Through Oct. 30: extended hours: Monday Friday 8 a.m. 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31: 9 5.
   In-Person Absentee Satellite Voting Through Oct. 30 Weekdays: Monday Friday, 3:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. **Satellite Locations:**
- Franconia Governmental Center 6121 Franconia Road, Community Room B, Alexandria, 22310
- Mason Governmental Center 6507 Columbia Pike, Conference Room, Annandale, 22003
- West Springfield Governmental Center 6140 Rolling Road, Community Room, Springfield, 22152



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# Entertainment

Send notes to the Connection at south@connectionnewspapers.com or call 703-778-9416. The deadline is the Friday prior to the next paper's publication. Dated announcements should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event.

#### Ongoing

Paintings of the Potomac Valley Watercolorists. Through Nov. 7 at McQuire Woods Gallery, Bldg 16, The Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. Gallery hours: Wed.-Sat.: 11 a.m.- 6 p.m.; Sunday: 12-5 p.m. The exhibition brings together some of the area's top painters in watercolor, acrylic and mixed media, presenting 100 original works including landscapes, florals, still

#### WEDNESDAY/OCT. 28

life and abstracts.

**How Do Plants Get Ready for** 

**Winter**? 11 a.m. Lorton Library, 9520 Richmond Highway, Lorton. Stories, songs and finger play. Age 3-5 with adult.

Blossoming Babies. 10:30 a.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Songs, rhymes, stories and activities for infants less than a year old. Birth to eleven months with adult.

P is for Pumpkin. 10:30 a.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce Street, Springfield. Autumn stories and activities. Age 3-5 with adult.

Art Workshop, Acrylic Painting. 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Hosted by The Art Guild of Clifton. For beginner and intermediate artists wanting to learn the basics or improve their skills. http://www.artguildofclifton.org/.

#### THURSDAY/OCT. 29

Preschool Storytime. 10:30 a.m. Fairfax City Regional Library, 10360 North Street, Fairfax. Build your child's early literacy skills while enjoying stories, songs and activities. Age 3-5 with adult.

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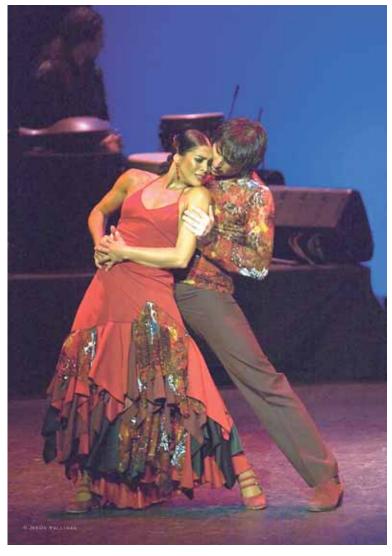
Book Fest. Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia, 8900 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax. Visits from Elyssa Friedland ("Love and Miss Communication"), Jennifer Rosner ("The Mitten String"), Dion Nissenbaum ("A Street Divided: Stories from Jerusalem's Alley of God") and William V. Madison ("Madeline Kahn: Being The Music – A Life"). 703-537-3000. www.jccnvarts.org.

#### FRIDAY/OCT. 30

2015 Arts Awards. Noon-2 p.m.
Fairview Park Marriott, 3111
Fairview Park Drive, Falls Church.
Jim Vance of NBC 4 will emcee the
event honoring four awardees, Earle
C. Williams, Rebecca Kamen, Vienna
Jammers, Richard Hausler. Great
Falls sculptor Jonathan Fisher
designed custom awards,
commissioned by the Arts Council.
For tickets and information, http://
artsfairfax.org/artsawards.

#### FRIDAY-SATURDAY/OCT. 31-30

The Haunted Lab. 10 a.m.-8 p.m.
Children's Science Center Lab, Fair
Oaks Mall, 11750 Fair Oaks Mall,
Fairfax. A fun, not scary, just spooky
family event, to enjoy hands-on
STEM activities while celebrating
Halloween! Children's Storytime at
11 am and 2 p.m. followed by a



Children's Costume Contest for children ages 2-6 and 7-12.

#### SATURDAY/OCT. 31

Creative Writers Club. 2 p.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Do you enjoy writing fiction, poetry, non-fiction and/or memoirs? Join us for sharing, discussion and feedback of works in progress. Teen volunteer facilitates. Age 13-18.

Hillbilly Horror Halloween Haunt.

7-9:30 p.m. Creepy Nights on Calamo, 7104 Calamo St., Springfield. For teens, escape rabid rednecks, angry moonshiner ghosts and a giant spider-infested graveyard. For all ages, nightly family friendly spooky tunes light show. Free but bring food donations for ECHO food bank.

L.A. Theatre Works' "Dracula." 8 p.m. George Mason University's Center for the Arts, 4400 University Dr, Fairfax. L.A. Theatre Works brings this chilling story to life with live readings and creepy sound effects made "the old fashioned way."

888-945-2468. cfa.gmu.edu.

Fall Festival. 4-7:30 p.m. Burke
Community Church, 9900 Old Keene
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#### SATURDAY-SUNDAY/OCT. 31-NOV. 1

8th Annual South Run Art and Craft Show. Saturday, 9 a.m.-4

p.m. Sunday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. South Run RECenter, 7550 Reservation Drive, Springfield. More than 50 experienced artisans will tempt shoppers with everything from beautiful jewelry to intricate woodworking. Other crafting categories include photography, painting, knitting, glasswork, clothing, dolls, pottery, and more. \$3, free for children 12 and under. www.nvhg.org.

#### SUNDAY/NOV. 1

Taste of Greater Springfield. 3-7 p.m. Waterford of Springfield, 6715 Commerce St., Springfield. Features cuisine from over 20 local area restaurants. Sponsored by the West Springfield Rotary Club Foundation. \$30. www.togs.us.

Film Viewing, "An Ordinary Hero." 1 p.m. Grace Presbyterian Church, 7434 Bath St., Springfield.

Church, 7434 Bath St., Springfield. Meet and listen to Joan Trumpauer Mulholland present the film "An Ordinary Hero," the true story of one woman's courage to help change the world. 703-451-2900.

world. 703-451-2900. **Trio Sefard**i. 7 p.m. Jewish
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#### TUESDAY/NOV. 3

Children's Storytime. 11 a.m.-noon. Barnes and Noble, 12193 Fair Lakes Promenade Drive, Fairfax. Join Author Petrell Marie Ozbay as she reads from her award winning children's book "X's and 0's for Gabby Ann" about a little girl missing her faraway dad in honor of Veteran's Day. Free. 703-278-0300.

#### FRIDAY/NOV. 6

Compania Flamenca Jose Porcel. 8

p.m. George Mason Universty's Center for the Arts, 4400 University Dr, Fairfax. Passionate rhythms and enchanting movement of flamenco dancing. 888-945-2468. cfa.gmu.edu.

#### – Halloween Calendar –

#### Halloween events in the area

#### THURSDAY-SATURDAY/OCT. 29-31

Haunted Trail "Carnivoreal." 7:30 p.m. Rizer Pavilion, The Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. The signature piece of "31 Nights of Frights" Seasonal Campaign, The Haunted Trail will challenge you and your friends to immerse yourselves into an unfolding story of horror and adventure. As you traverse our trail, an interactive story begins to take shape around you-casting you in a leading role. \$10. https://reservations.workhousearts.org/Info.aspx?EventID=9

#### FRIDAY/OCT. 30

**Halloween Dance with the Sixth Generation**. 8 p.m. W-16, The Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. Their crowd pleasing performances bring back fond memories for baby boomers and a surprising appreciation of good music for younger generations. \$10. https://reservations.workhousearts.org/Info.aspx?EventID=9

#### FRIDAY-SATURDAY/OCT. 30-31

**The Haunted Lab**. 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Children's Science Center Lab, Fair Oaks Mall, 11750 Fair Oaks Mall, Fairfax. A fun, not scary, just spooky family event, to enjoy hands-on STEM activities while celebrating Halloween. Children's storytime at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. followed by a costume contest for children ages 2-6 and 7-12.

#### THROUGH SATURDAY/OCT. 31

**Hillbilly Horror Halloween Haunt**. 7-9:30 p.m. Creepy Nights on Calamo, 7104 Calamo St., Springfield. For teens, escape rabid rednecks, angry moonshiner ghosts and a giant spider-infested graveyard. For all ages, nightly family friendly spooky tunes light show. Free but bring food donations for ECHO food bank.

#### SATURDAY/OCT. 31

**L.A. Theatre Works' "Dracula."** 8 p.m. George Mason University's Center for the Arts, 4400 University Dr, Fairfax. L.A. Theatre Works brings this chilling story to life with live readings and creepy sound effects made "the old fashioned way." 888-945-2468. cfa.gmu.edu.

Compania flamenca Jose Porcel performs at GMU's Center for the Arts on Friday, Nov. 6, bringing passionate rhythms and enchanting movement.

#### SATURDAY/NOV. 7

Shopping at Sydenstricker. 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Sydenstricker United Methodist Church, 8508 Hooes Road, Springfield. Bazaar featuring handmade crafts and art, baked goods and homemade soups. This annual event is hosted by the United Methodist Women of Sydenstricker Church and supports their mission work. Free. 703-415-8223.

Rang de Nila. 8 p.m. Jewish
Community Center of Northern
Virginia, 8900 Little River Turnpike,
Fairfax. Performance piece that
combines music and dance with the
art of Siona Benjamin. In the
performance, the dancers assume the
roles of the subjects of Benjamin's
paintings. Through movements
infused with elements of traditional
Indian dance, modern dance, and
jazz, the dancers explore themes of
identity and what it means to be a
Jewish Indian woman. \$14-\$24.
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Munich Symphony Orchestra with The Romeros. 8 p.m. George Mason University's Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. This important orchestra has enriched the cultural life of Bavaria with its unparalleled performances of symphonic concert pieces, opera and operettas, musicals, ballets, oratorios and church music. The orchestra is joined by Spanish classical guitar virtuoso Pepe Romero for solo work. \$42-\$70. 888-945-2468. cfa.gmu.edu.

Night on Broadway. 7:30 p.m. Immanuel Bible Church, 6911 Braddock Road, Springfield. Robinson Choral Department performs Broadway favorites. The performance will also feature members of the Robinson Orchestra and Band. \$12.703-426-2144.

**Charity Yard Sale**. 8 a.m.-noon. The Historic Sydenstricker Schoolhouse,

8511 Hooes Road, Springfield. Huge yard & bake sale to benefit the preservation of the historic Sydenstricker Schoolhouse. info@sydenstrickerschoolhouse.org.

#### SUNDAY/NOV. 8

Railroad Collectibles Special Sale. 1-4 p.m. Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road. Railroad collectibles, antiques,

railroad memorabilia, toys and art.

Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club
Band. 7 p.m. George Mason
University's Center for the Arts, 4400
University Drive, Fairfax. The group includes Steven Page, founding member of The Barenaked Ladies;
Glan Phillips, front man of Toad the Wet Sprocket; Craig Northey, principle singer-songwriter of the band Odds; and Andy Maize, singer-songwriter and co-founded the Canadian roots rock band Skydiggers. 888-945-2468.
cfa.gmu.edu.

Round Robinson 5K. 8:30-10 a.m.
Robinson High School, 5035
Sideburn Road, Fairfax. The proceeds
benefit Robinson Crew Booster Club
and the Robinson Crew Team. Our
goal is 500 runners and \$5,000 in
sponsors (\$5K for the 5K). \$30.
5Kinfo@robinsoncrew.org.

#### Soundscapes Healing Meditation.

2 p.m. Accotink Unitarian Universalist Church, 10125 Lakehaven Court, Burke. Come, bring a blanket or yoga mat for lying on the floor, and enjoy the gift of letting go and being connected to deeper peace. Healthy snacks will be provided afterward during Fellowship time. Free to church members, \$15. 703-503-4579.

#### WEDNESDAY/NOV. 11

Springfield Christian Women's Connection Luncheon. 11:30 a.m. Springfield Golf and Country Club, 8301 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield. Reserve by Monday, Nov. 9. 703-922-6438.

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"Rang de Nila" (Color Me Blue) dancer.



Siona Benjamin painting dancer for "Rang

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# Celebrating Diversity with Arts

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ith the increasing demo-

funded a "Global Arts Initiative." The Initiative has

received support from the National Endowment for

"The 'Global Arts Initiative' cultivates artistic col-

laboration, enables multi-disciplinary presentations,

and provides new opportunities for artists, arts or-

ganizations and their audiences," said Linda S.

Sullivan, president & CEO of the Arts Council of

An upcoming example of the success of "Global

Arts Initiative" is an intersection of Indian and Jew-

ish cultures in a multi-disciplinary event exploring

the Jews of India called "Blue Like Me." It features

Indian-Jewish artist Siona Benjamin. It is at the Jew-

ish Community Center of Northern Virginia (JCCNV).

Benjamin's work has been regularly featured in the

"The JCCNV's 'Blue Like Me' program offers a pow-

erful visitor experience combining a visual art exhi-

bition, dance, lecture and documentary film," noted

Sullivan. There is currently an on-going exhibition

of Benjamin's artwork showing her multicultural

heritage. On Saturday evening, Nov. 7 there will be

an Indian dance performance called "Rang de Nila"



Siona Benjamin

Where and When

"Color Me Blue," live performance combining music, dance and art of Siona Benjamin at the JCCNV, 8900 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax. Performance on Saturday, Nov. 7, at 8 p.m. Tickets: \$20 adults, \$16 J members or seniors (65+) and \$12 under 30. Call 703-537-3000 or visit: www.jccnv.org.

(Color Me Blue) inspired by guest artist Benjamin's paintings.

"Rang de Nila" will be a show that "through movements infused with ele-

ments of traditional Indian dance, modern dance and jazz, the dancers explore themes of identity," said Dan Kirsch, JCCNV's cultural arts director.

Siona Benjamin described the influences that impacted her this way: "I am an artist originally from Bombay, India, of Bene Israel Jewish descent. My work reflects my background and the transition between my old and new worlds.

Having grown up in a predominantly Hindu and Muslim society, having been educated in Catholic and Zoroastrian schools, having been raised Jewish and now living in America, I have always had to reflect upon the cultural boundary zones in which I have

For Benjamin, there is a strong desire "to make art that will speak to my audience of our similarities, not our differences as I feel I can contribute to a much-needed 'repair' (Tikkun) through my art." She wants an audience "to re-evaluate their notions and concepts about identity and race, thus understanding that such misconceptions could lead to racism,

As for the title "Blue Like Me," blue color has great symbolism in the culture of India. Blue can represent not only sky and oceans, but the infiniteness of nature and the Divine.

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# Sports

# Hayfield to Face Fellow Conference 6 Contenders

Hawks tied with Madison for first place at 5-0.

By Jon Roetman The Connection

or the first seven weeks of the 2015 season, the Hayfield football team won or lost by a margin of 15 points or greater. While the Hawks won more than they lost, posting a 5-2 record, Hayfield never found itself in a pressure-packed end-of-game situation.

That changed on Oct. 23, when the Hawks traveled to Arlington and needed a fourth-and-goal stop in the final minute to secure a victory against Yorktown and remain tied for first place in Conference 6. The Hayfield defense came through, with senior cornerback Terrell Wheeler intercepting a pass in the end zone to clinch a 21-14 victory.

"We needed that game against Yorktown," Hayfield head coach Eric Henderson said. "We've been either winning lopsided or losing lopsided and I felt like we needed to battle though something."

For the Hawks, the fourth-quarter test of fortitude might have arrived at just the right time.

Hayfield, now 6-2 overall and 5-0 in the conference, will wrap up the regular season by facing the other two teams in contention for the Conference 6 title. This week, the Hawks will host South Lakes, which sits

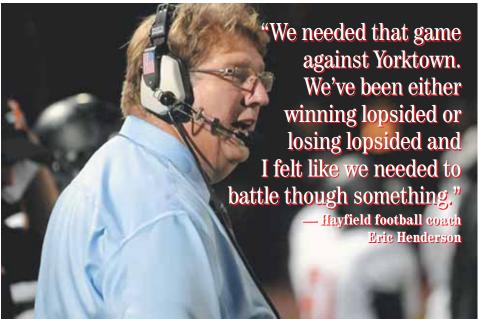


Photo by Louise Krafft/The Connection

Hayfield head football coach Eric Henderson, seen last season, has the Hawks tied for first place in the Conference 6 standings.

at 6-2 overall and 4-1 in the conference. Kickoff is at 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 30. The following week, Hayfield will travel to Vienna to face a Madison team that has won seven in a row and is currently tied with the Hawks atop the conference standings at 5-0

While Hayfield will be tested, the Hawks, who are on a five-game win streak, will provide their own challenges.

"I think we've kind of found our formula," Henderson said. "It took us a couple of games."

That formula: Give the ball to running back

Myles Ross and let the senior make plays.

Ross is Hayfield's all-time leading rusher. This season, he has carried 176 times for 1,486 yards and 17 touchdowns. Last week against Yorktown, Ross had 37 carries for 276 yards and two touchdowns.

He also plays defense and has three interceptions.

"I think he's one of the best players I've ever coached," said Henderson, whose Northern Virginia coaching stops include Lake Braddock (assistant), West Potomac and T.C. Williams. "He goes both ways, he doesn't get a lot of breaks. ... If he's not on

the field, we're not as good [as we are] with him on the field. He's what we do offensively."

Clearing the way for Ross is an offensive line composed of junior left tackle Greer Jones (5-10, 285), senior left guard Adam Johnson (6-5, 330), junior center Jack Blevins (5-10, 260), junior right guard KD Diokane (6-3, 300) and senior right tackle Juan Cruz (5-8, 250).

"They're a real physical bunch," Henderson said. "They remind me of some of the crews I had at West Potomac — kids that like to get after it. They work well together. They communicate well."

Hayfield is No. 9 in the latest VHSL 6A North region power rankings. Madison is No. 4 and South Lakes is No. 10. The top 16 teams make the playoffs.

Henderson said the Hawks divided the season into three parts. The first part was a tough three-game stretch during which Hayfield battled injuries and struggled against some tough opponents. After a 21-0 season-opening victory against Edison, Hayfield lost to Tuscarora 40-14, and was blown out by South County 70-29.

The second part was a four-game stretch where the Hawks tried to figure out what they do well. Ross was the answer, and Hayfield defeated Washington-Lee, 35-16, McLean, 43-28, Fairfax, 40-20, and Langley, 39-21

The third part is a playoff push during the final three games of the regular season. The Hawks survived a tough test against Yorktown, winning 21-14. Hayfield's next two games will determine if they are conference champions.



PHOTO BY CRAIG STERBUTZEL/THE CONNECTION

Robinson running back Roman Lowery reaches for the goal line during the Rams' 39-3 victory over Herndon on Oct. 24 at Herndon High

### Robinson Football Improves to 5-3

The Robinson football team defeated Herndon 39-3 on Oct. 24, improving its record to 5-3 overall and 3-1 in Conference 5

Robinson is tied for No. 7 in the latest VHSL 6A North region power

rankings. The top 16 teams make the playoffs.

The Rams will host Broad Run at 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 30 and will close the regular season with a road game against Centreville on Nov. 6.



Runner-up in Conference 7

Photo by Craig Sterbutzel/ The Connection

Emma Vinall (13) and the Woodson field hockey team finished runnerup in Conference 7, losing to T.C. Williams 3-0 in the championship game on Oct. 26. The Cavaliers faced Langley in the opening round of the 6A North region tournament on Wednesday, after The Connection's deadline.



Residents lined Lake Braddock Drive as the homecoming parade made its way towards the secondary school.



Members of the Lake Braddock Secondary School rowing team glide by during the 2015 homecoming parade.

# No Place Like Homecoming Residents line streets, stomachs before showdown with TC Williams.

f Dorothy's slippers had been purple and gold rather than ruby, she may have clicked her heels and found her self at Lake Braddock's homecoming parade. Indeed, with the theme "There's No Place Like Homecoming," one float in the Oct. 23 homecoming parade featured numerous characters from "The Wizard of Oz" in full costume.

Braddock's Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps and marching band led the parade from Ashbourn Drive in Burke through Lake Braddock Drive, culminating near the school's football complex. Other participants included members of the homecoming court, cheerleaders, sports teams and supervisor John Cook (R-Braddock).

Following the parade, tailgating and culinary event Bite of Braddock provided sustenance and entertainment leading up to the homecoming game kickoff facing TC Williams.

—Tim Peterson



**Member of the Lake Braddock Secondary School Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps lead the** school's homecoming parade on Oct. 23.



The Lake Braddock Secondary School Marching Band followed the Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps, playing the school's fight song during the homecoming parade.



Supervisor John Cook (R-Braddock) passes out candy during the Lake Braddock Secondary School homecoming parade on Oct. 23.



The 2015 Lake Braddock homecoming parade culminated in tailgating and the Bite of Braddock culinary event prior to the football game versus TC Williams High School.

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Poetry Contest Fairfax County Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Arts and Letters Committee is sponsoring a poetry contest for Fairfax County Public Middle School students. The poetry title is: Silhouette of a Woman: An Influential Female in My Life. The submissions will be reviewed for awards of \$125 for first place, \$75 for second place, and \$50 for third place. www.fcacdst.org. Poetry Contest deadline for submission is October 30th. Email entries and inquiries can be sent to: artsandletters@fcacdst.org. Mailed entries must be postmarked by October 30th and sent to: Fairfax County Alumnae Chapter - Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. P.O. Box 221224 Chantilly, VA 20153-1224.

#### SUNDAY/NOV. 1

"Raising Children in the 21st Century - Free Range: Child Neglect or Positive Parenting?" 2 p.m. Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. Hear from the experts. Opening Remarks by Fairfax County Superintendent Karen Garza. www.chabadva.org. 703-426-

#### MONDAY/NOV. 2

Keep GMU Blue Rally. 4-5:30 p.m. North Plaza, George Mason University, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Congressman Gerry Connolly will join the George Mason Democrats and the candidates running to represent George Mason University to reiterate, for the last time, the stakes of this election and the reasons to vote Democratic on Election Day. jrussel18@gmau.edu.

#### THURSDAY/NOV. 5

Aldi Hiring Event. 7 a.m.-6 p.m. Courtyard Marriott, 4641 Kenmore Ave., Alexandria. ALDI will host two hiring events for its Alexandria and Springfield area stores.

#### SATURDAY/NOV. 7

**Scouting for Food**. Burke Centre Shopping Center, 5649 Burke Centre Parkway, Burke. Cub Scout Troop 1346 will distribute plastic shopping bags to Burke Centre residences. The

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#### SUNDAY/NOV. 8

Soundscapes Healing Meditation. 2 p.m. Accotink Unitarian Universalist Church, 10125 Lakehaven Court, Burke. Come, bring a blanket or yoga mat for lying on the floor, and enjoy the gift of letting go and being connected to deeper peace. Healthy snacks will be provided

afterward during Fellowship time. Free to church members, \$15. 703-503-4579.

#### SATURDAY/DEC. 5

Book Reading, "Blessed are You." 12-3 p.m. The Paschal Lamb, 11214 Lee Highway, Fairfax. Author Melanie Rigney will read from her new book. Free. 703-863-3940.

Fairfax Baptist Temple, at the corner of Fairfax County Parkway and Burke Lake Roads, holds a ible study fellowship at 9 a.m. Sundays followed by a 10 a.m. worship service. Nursery care and children's church also provided. 6401 Missionary Lane, Fairfax Station, 703-323-8100 or www.fbtministries.org.

The Guhyasamaja Buddhist Center, 10875 Main St., Fairfax City provides free classes to both newcomers and advanced practitioners of

bags are in support of Scouting for Food 2015. Help those less fortunate by filling the bags with non-perishable food items and leave the bag out for collection a week later by Boy Scout Troop 1346 the morning of Nov. 14. ctp198@yahoo.com.

#### SUNDAY/NOV. 8

 $\textbf{Complete the Circle Foodraiser}. \ 1\text{-}2\text{:}30 \ p.m.$ Fairfax High School, 3501 Rebel Run, Fairfax. LCAC and Our Daily Bread's annual foodraiser and hunger awareness event. This familyfriendly, volunteer event is held at Fairfax High School's practice field. Bring a bag of food and help feed your neighbors. More information and to register, go to https://www.odbfairfax.org/CompleteTheCircle.

Preemie Conference. 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Inova Fairfax Physicians Conference Center, 3300 Gallows Road, Falls Church. Preemies Today will be hosting a parent and provider conference entitled, Navigating the Journey Through Childhood. \$25.

marybethhazelgrove@preemiestoday.org. 703-283-8007.

#### MONDAY/NOV. 9

"Using the Internet to Build an Audience." 7-9 p.m. Gunnel House at Truro Church, 10520 Main St., Fairfax. author Stephanie Buckwalter will explain how to use social media, online networking and search engine tools to build an audience. Free. 703-803-9447.

#### THURSDAY/NOV. 12

Keeping Your Loved One Safe. 3 p.m. Insight Memory Care Center, 3953 Pender Drive, Suite 100. Fairfax, Join us to discuss various options to keep your loved one with dementia safe in the home. Free. 703-204-4664. RSVP.

#### **SATURDAY/NOV. 14**

Future Quest 2015. 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. George Mason University in the Johnson Center, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Future Quest is a free college and career forum for students with disabilities, parents and professionals. http:// futurequest.gmu.edu.

#### WEDNESDAY/NOV. 18

Care for the Caregiver. 1:30 p.m. Insight Memory Care Center, 3953 Pender Drive, Suite 100, Fairfax. Bring your questions and join us for a panel discussion with the help of dementia care professionals on how to care for yourself. Free. 703-204-4664. RSVP.

Tibetan Buddhism. The center emphasizes working with the mind and learning how to understand the workings of the mind, overcoming inner causes of suffering, while cultivating causes of happiness. Under the direction of Lama Zopa Rinpoche, the center is a place of study, contemplation and meditation. Visit http://www.guhyasamaja.org for more information.

Lord of Life Lutheran offers services at two locations, in Fairfax at 5114 Twinbrook Road and in Clifton at 13421 Twin Lakes Drive. Services in Fairfax are held on Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. and Sundays at 8:30 and 10 a.m. Services in Clifton are held on Sundays at 8:15 and 10:30 a.m. 703-323-9500 or www.Lordoflifeva.org.

First Baptist Church of Springfield offers Sunday school at 9:15 a.m., followed by a 10:30 a.m. worship service at 7300 Gary St., Springfield. 703-451-1500 or www.fbcspringfield.org.

Clifton Presbyterian Church, 12748 Richards Lane, Clifton, offers Sunday worship services at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Nursery care is provided. Christian education for all ages is at 9:45 a.m. 703-830-3175.

St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church,

6720 Union Mill Road, Clifton, conducts Sunday masses at 7:30 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. It also offers a Saturday vigil at 5:30 p.m. and a Thursday Latin mass at 7 p.m. 703-817-1770 or www.st-andrew.org.

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