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Fatal Crash in Vienna

Officers responded to the 8700 block of Park Street on Friday, June 17, at around 7:36 a.m. for a report of a traffic crash involving a single-vehicle. Officers located a sedan that was off the road and had impacted a tree. According to FCPD Public Affairs Bureau, the initial investigation determined that an adult male was driving a 2008 Mazda 6 on the southbound lane of Park Street.

The driver of the Mazda, Deleon David DeJean, 20, of Vienna, was pronounced deceased by the paramedics at the scene. There were no other oc-

cupants in the vehicle and there were no other injuries.

Detectives from the Crash Reconstruction Unit responded to assume the investigation. Preliminary information suggests that speed was a factor in the crash. The investigation is ongoing.

Anyone with information about this incident, or who witnessed this crash, is asked to contact Crime Solvers electronically by visiting <http://www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org> or by calling 1-866-411-8477, or call Fairfax County Police at 703-691-2131.

VIENNA CRIME REPORTS

Notable incidents from the Town of Vienna's police department from June 10-16.

INCIDENTS

Arrest - Drunk in Public - Outback Steakhouse, 315 Maple Ave. East. June 9, 6:21 p.m. The store manager called to report two disruptive male subjects at the restaurant. When officers spoke with the subjects they observed signs of possible impairment. One of the male subjects agreed to leave, while the other

became combative. The 52-year-old male subject from Gallows Road, Dunn Loring was arrested for drunk in public. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center.

Arrest - Drunk in Public - ABC Store, 436 Maple Ave. East. June 9, 7:06 p.m. The store manager called to report a possibly intoxicated male subject inside the store. When an officer spoke with the male subject she observed signs of possible impairment. The 32-year-old male subject from Hillcrest Drive SW, Vienna was arrested for drunk in public.

Animal Case - 300 block West Street, NW. June 9, 8:57 p.m. An officer responded for a possible sickly raccoon. When she got to the listed address she met with several citizens who said they saw the raccoon acting abnormal. Ofc. Post located the raccoon and determined it was sickly. The raccoon was euthanized.

Fraud - Mad Vapory, 503 Maple Ave. West. June 10, 2:47 p.m. An employee called to report a scam attempt. The female employee stated a subject called the business trying to operate a Dominion Power scam.

Assist Fire/EMS - 100 block Patrick Street, SE. June 10, 7:23 p.m. Officers responded to assist Fairfax County Fire & EMS with a medical emergency. A male subject was transported by Fairfax County EMS with non-life threatening injuries.

Arrest - Drunk in Public - 100 block Patrick Street, SE. June 10, 7:34 p.m. Officers responded to a dispute amongst family members. When they arrived they spoke with a male subject who was acting disorderly and showing signs of possible impairment. The 21-year-old male subject from Patrick Street SE, Vienna, was arrested for drunk in public. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center.

Assist Fire/EMS - 100 block Patrick Street, SE. June 10, 11 p.m. Officers responded to the listed address for several intoxicated subjects. When the officers arrived they found four adult males and one adult female who were all showing signs of possible impairment. Fairfax County EMS arrived and transported two male subjects and female subject with non-life threatening injuries.

Arrest - Driving While Intoxicated - 7-11, 537 Maple Ave. West. June 11, 1:33 p.m. An officer was patrolling the area surrounding the 7-11 when he observed a vehicle in the parking lot driving erratically. When the vehicle parked and the driver exited the vehicle, the driver appeared to show signs of possible impairment. The officer made contact with the driver and offered standard field sobriety tests, which he failed. The 27-year-old male driver from Berryland Drive, Oakton was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

Suspicious Event - 7-11, 537 Maple Ave. West. June 11, 2:15 a.m. A male subject called to report about an alleged assault that occurred earlier in the night. An officer met with the subject and found no evidence of a crime being committed.



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The following local vendors have donated to George C. Marshall High School's All Night Graduation Celebration (ANGC). ANGC provides students with an alcohol and drug-free celebration on the night of their graduation. We are grateful for their generosity. Please support these businesses and organizations that care enough to invest in keeping our grads and community safe.

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Saying Farewell at Madison High

Graduation Ceremony took place on Wednesday, June 15.

BY ERIN MURPHY
THE CONNECTION

James Madison High School said farewell to its 2016 graduates on Wednesday, June 15. Their graduation ceremony was held at Robinson Secondary School.

Ninety-six percent of James Madison 2016 graduates will be attending college in the Fall; 600 scholarships were also awarded to the 2016 graduates, resulting in roughly \$5 million being awarded to James Madison students; 132 Honors Graduates, all with a cumulative GPA average of at least a 4.0 for their entire high school career were recognized with a standing ovation.

Principal Gregory Hood addressed all the graduates: "Class of 2016, thank you for leaving James Madison High School and the community even better than how you found it four years ago. Your legacy will go on as you set the bar impeccably high for all those to follow you. Now from the heart, as Prin-

cipal and a father I am so proud of you."

Following introductory remarks, the Faculty Award was presented to Ben Price. Principal Hood said a student like Price comes along once in a generation.

"It is no exaggeration to say all of his teachers have said he is the top student they have ever worked with," Hood said.

The Faculty speaker at James Madison High School's graduation was a member of the math department, Don Buerkle. His speech, inspiring bursts of laughter and applause, reminded the graduates to remain thankful, grateful and passionate in all that they do following high school. In regard to each pillar of guidance, Buerkle quoted a movie that combined his two passions of baseball and statistics: "Moneyball," a 2011 film about general manager Billy Beane's attempts to build a competitive team from the Oakland Athletics 2002 line-up. Buerkle first spoke on thankfulness. "If you are more appreciative of what you have, you will be less likely to be inclined to compare yourself to others. Replace comparing with



PHOTO BY ERIN MURPHY/THE CONNECTION

The James Madison High Class of 2016 held their graduation ceremony at Robinson Secondary High School on June 16. Of the class of 480 graduates, 96 percent will be attending college in the Fall.

thankfulness, and you'll be happy."

Based on the quote from "Moneyball," "I made one decision in my life based on money. And I swore I would never do it again," Buerkle made his concluding remarks. "My hope is that you'll make a decision based on earnest commitment and passion."

Special moments of the ceremony included a performance of "Imagine" by the James Madison High Choir and the presentation of a long stem rose to each graduate, as a reminder of the wisdom they attained during their time at James Madison High School.

Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Added to Student Handbook

Long, heated debate leads to decision that aligns student handbook with current policy.

BY TIM PETERSON
THE CONNECTION

Students in Fairfax County Public Schools started the 2015-2016 school year without the words "sexual orientation" or "gender identity" as part of the nondiscrimination guide in their student handbook.

While the School Board approved adding those two terms to the laundry list of other qualities and characteristics for which no employee or student in the system should be discriminated against or excluded because of, the new language didn't automatically appear in the handbook, the Students Rights and Responsibilities.

The omission was an "oversight," according to Superintendent Dr. Karen Garza and board chair Pat Hynes.

In order for the handbook to reflect the current policy, which was updated with the additional terms in November 2014 and



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After nearly three hours of debate, the FCPS School Board voted 9-3 in favor of adding sexual orientation and gender identity to the nondiscrimination guide in the student handbook.

May 2015, the board needed to amend its action on approving the 2016-2017 student handbook.

What was billed in the agenda as a mere administrative action of aligning the handbook with existing policy became a heated debate at the School Board's June 9 business meeting.

Opponents of passing the handbook update said the process had been rushed and that the community should have a chance

to weigh in on changes that will directly affect how their children may be disciplined.

A private consultant was hired to review current practices affecting transgender students and compare them with other schools around the country, but the findings and conclusions have yet to be released.

At-large member Jeanette Hough, who was just elected to the board last fall, was critical that the body hasn't been briefed in a year.

"We don't have clarity as adults," Hough said. "How can we ask students to sign something we haven't discussed?"

Springfield representative Elizabeth Schultz repeatedly emphasized that the board had not discussed gender identity formally since last year's policy change.

"Why haven't we talked about it in 399 days?" Schultz asked.

Sully representative and another recently elected member Tom Wilson also cited the lack of discussion as a reason for his multiple amendments in favor of postponing a vote on approving the student handbook.

"We haven't had those conversations, those discussions," he said. "We need to do better."

Mount Vernon representative Karen Corbett Sanders said members "all agree we got here through a very messy process."

Though Hynes reminded that the Students Rights and Responsibilities is not "an implementation plan of policy."

"It's not a question of whether that policy is clear," Hynes said. The current handbook should, she continued, reflect "existing language of our policy at this point."

After nearly three hours of debate, the board voted 9-3 in favor of At-Large member Ryan McElveen's amendment to update and align the language in the student handbook. Hough, Schultz and Wilson were the "no" votes.



U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11) was the Keynote Speaker at the ceremonies for Leadership Fairfax Institute and Emerging Leaders graduating Classes of 2016. The Congressman encouraged the graduates to take what they had learned and the connections they had made to “bloom where you are planted” for the betterment of all the community’s citizens.



PHOTOS BY ANDREA WORKER/THE CONNECTION

And the proud graduates just kept coming across the stage. Leadership Fairfax presented diplomas to more than fifty graduates during the ceremony at the Pavilion at Reston Town Center.

Leadership Fairfax Honors 2016 Graduates

BY ANDREA WORKER
THE CONNECTION

The Pavilion at Reston Town Center was a most fitting venue for the graduation ceremony of the 2016 classes of the nonprofit Leadership Fairfax Institute (LFI). With a mission to develop “community trustees who are individually and collectively responsible for the strength of the county...To ultimately engage [them] to become agents of positive change in Fairfax County and the Northern Virginia region,” what could have been more appropriate than celebrating their success in the open-air focal point of a major area community?

As the students, staff, speakers and guests gathered for a reception and then the commencement activities under the Pavilion dome, many shoppers, diners, Town Center strollers and employees stopped to see what was happening in the area usually reserved for winter ice skating or warm weather concerts, car shows or festivals. “This is kind of cool,” said David Macintosh of Reston who noticed the proceedings as he dined alfresco at a neighboring restaurant. “They told me this was all about teaching adults to know more about our county and how to improve things. Sounds like something we need more of across the country these days.”

Leadership Fairfax was founded in 1987 by the Fairfax Chamber of Commerce. LFI sponsors two 10-month long intensive leadership development programs. The LFI program is designed for those already in a leadership role from mid-level to senior, from all walks of life and representing all of the gears that drive the area’s engine; nonprofits, public service agencies, private corporations, educators, executives and volunteers. To ensure the most advantageous learning environment for



Flanked by LFI President and CEO Karen Cleveland, and Board Chair Brian Monday, Suzanne Keating, LFI Class of 1998, received the Torchbearer’s Award for service. “There is nothing that Suzanne can’t do, won’t do, hasn’t done or is not willing to do in service to LFI and our community,” praised Cleveland.

these busy students, only 45-50 applicants are accepted into the program each year.

The Emerging Leaders Institute (ELI) is equally challenging and equally rewarding, bringing together about 40 young professionals for the enhancement of skills in project management, conflict resolution, communication and presentation skills and more.

There is even a two-month program in partnership with Volunteer Fairfax, the Positive Aging Coalition, George Mason University and others for retiring or newly retiring individuals, helping to develop the skills and experiences of this group and assisting these participants in finding the best and most meaningful outlets to continue using their gifts.

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Susan Sims was also a Torchbearer Award recipient for using her talents and time as the Communications Manager for Leadership Fairfax. “It’s supposed to be part-time,” but LFI’s president Karen Cleveland acknowledged that Sims gives much more than that. Sims was an LFI graduate in 2012.



Lindsey Doane, from the Office of Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chair Sharon Bulova, graduated from LFI’s Emerging Leaders program and is ready to bring her improved skills into play to keep helping the community.



Reginald Johnson, Assistant Fire Chief for Fairfax County Fire and Rescue, receives his diploma from LFI Chair Brian Monday. The programs sponsored by LFI are designed to enhance the skills of community leaders from all walks of life.

CRIME

FROM PAGE 2

Police Service - 300 block Center Street, South. June 11, 12:01 p.m. A citizen reported their vehicle was damaged by a baseball on private property. The citizen was advised to contact their insurance provider to file a claim.

Arrest - Domestic Assault - Casmar Street SE. June 12 9:53 p.m. Officers responded to the listed address for a domestic assault. When they arrived they spoke with both a male and female subject. The male subject stated he and his wife got into a verbal argument. Officers then spoke with the female subject who stated her husband struck her. The

officer observed visible marks on the female subject. The 66-year-old male subject from Casmar Street SE was arrested for assault and battery of a family member. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center.

Arrest - Drunk in Public - Norm's Beer and Wine, 136 Branch Road, SE. June 12, 11 p.m. Officers responded to the listed address for a business alarm. While on scene they located a male subject outside of the business who showed signs of possible impairment. While an officer was speaking with the subject; he observed several empty alcoholic beverage containers on the ground. The 52-year-old male subject, without a

fixed address, was arrested for drunk in public and littering.

Arrest - Narcotics Violation - Wolf Trap Motel, 430 Maple Ave. Westl June 13, 2:35 a.m. While on patrol an officer observed a suspicious vehicle. When he made contact with the driver he determined the driver was in possession of drug paraphernalia. The 31-year-old male driver from Rainsboro Drive, Woodbridge was issued a summons for possession of drug paraphernalia. He was released on his signature.

Arrest - Sexual Assault - Cedar Lane, SE. June 13, 2:40 a.m. A resident called to report they thought they heard an

active fight at their neighbor's residence. When officers arrived they spoke with a female subject who advised there was an altercation. As the officer continued to investigate he determined a sexual assault had occurred between a male and female subject. The 20-year-old male subject from Ticonderoga Court, Burke was arrested for object sexual penetration and drunk in public. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and held on no bond.

Animal Case - Quarantine - Ridgewood Court NE. June 13, 8:36 a.m. The health department informed an officer of a dog bite that occurred the previous week. The officer made contact

with the dog owner who told him a female subject was bitten on the face by their family dog. There was no serious injury from the dog bite. The dog was placed in 10-day quarantine.

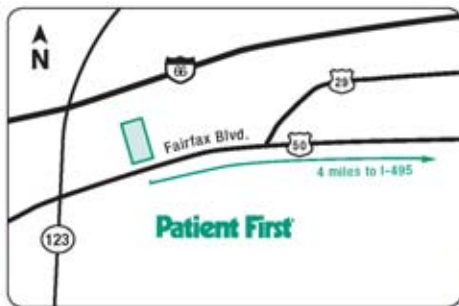
Animal Case - Quarantine - Charles Circle, SW. June 13, 10:57 a.m. The health department informed an officer of a dog bite that occurred the previous week. The officer made contact with the dog owner who told him a female subject was bitten on the leg by their family dog. There was no serious injury from the dog bite. The dog was placed in 10-day quarantine.

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U.S. REPRESENTATIVE (D-11)



COMMENTARY

Last week, America woke to what has become an all-too-common nightmare. A man driven by hate and armed with assault weapons carried out our nation's worst mass shooting. In its aftermath 49 were dead, 53 injured, and communities across our country were left violated and wondering, "How this could happen again?"

It's a scene repeated too often in our country. 49 murdered in Orlando. In December, 14 were killed in San Bernardino. A year ago, nine were murdered during Bible study in South Carolina. Twenty innocent children and six teachers were gunned down inside a school at Sandy Hook. Thirty-three were lost at Virginia Tech — including five bright, young, talented students from our community. Twelve were killed in an Aurora movie theater. The list goes on.

We must have an honest conversation about the hate that is brewing. This time a man stole the lives of 49 people, many of whom identified as LGBT, and all of whom were celebrating and supporting inclusion, progress and freedom. The attacker's homophobic intent has been lost in the media coverage. Some have painted this

as an issue of terror, but we must be reminded that so much of the blood shed to gun violence has been at the hands of those who claim no allegiance to Islam or ISIS. America's dark history of mass killings has come from problems of mental illness to proclamations of white supremacy, and it's a fallacy to attribute the continuous violence to "Radical Islam."

In the wake of these almost weekly tragedies, the response from Congress is as predictable as it is disappointing. We offer our thoughts and prayers. We hold a moment of silence; anything to distract from the central cause, and common instrument, of these crimes. How many more must die before Congress acts?

This is a problem for which there are solutions. Expand universal background checks to keep guns out of the hands of dangerous people. Reinstate the assault weapons ban. Close the gun show loophole.

But the gun lobby and the Republican Majority it controls stand in the way of each of these reforms. For example, the NRA opposes expanded background checks for gun purchases even though majorities of gun owners and NRA members support them. The NRA

even opposes the CDC funding for research on gun violence and its effect on public health despite the fact that more than 30,000 people die in gun related deaths annually.

In 1994, Congress passed the Assault Weapons Ban, restricting certain types of weapons and capping the size of ammunition magazines. However, in the time since the ban has been allowed to lapse, these weapons of war have become a common tool for the mayhem unleashed in these mass shootings. Do I think an assault weapons ban would prevent all crimes? Of course not; but certainly our Founding Fathers did not envision AR-15 semi-automatic rifles when they drafted the Second Amendment.

In a shocking video, Virginia Tech survivor Colin Goddard demonstrated just how easy it is to skirt background checks. Without even a photo ID or background check, Goddard was able to purchase an AK-47. Closing the gun show loophole, which allows private dealers to forego background checks required of licensed dealers, would stem the flow of illegal weapons.

When we marked the three-year anniversary of Sandy Hook, I said if more politicians viewed the safety of the American people as more important than pleasing the NRA, reason would prevail and the club of gun violence victims and their families would not continue its unrelenting growth. Instead, our ever-more-frequent moments of silence and inaction speak volumes.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Leaving the Judging to God

To the Editor:

"Whoever kills a person ... it is as though he has killed all mankind. And whoever saves a life, it is as though he had saved all mankind." (Qur'an, 5:32)

The tragic event which took place early on June 12 at the hands of a despicable and deranged individual breaks my heart. The blatant disregard for the value of human life is shocking. My thoughts and prayers are with the entire Orlando community, and especially with the families and friends of the victims. This goes against anything and everything that my religion and my allegiance to America, as a citizen of this great country, stands for and represents. Islam gives no one the right to violently cut short the lives of innocent people, or judge them for the way they choose to live. I don't drink alcohol and consider adultery a sin, does this mean I should kill those who drink or have affairs? Just as that makes no sense, neither does killing anyone for their sexual orientation. Islam teaches me to leave the judging to God and to focus my energy on attaining God's pleasure by showing compassion and serving all of His creation in whatever capacity I can.

I condemn all terrorist activity, everywhere. This is true regardless of where it happens and who it happens to because I love all of humanity. My love for humanity is not reserved only for Muslims nor only for Americans just because I, myself, am an American Muslim. My heart bleeds for every atrocity and every injustice inflicted on my fellow mankind, and I stand against any type of bigotry and discrimination towards any group or community. Why then does the media try to make me feel compelled to always publicly apologize for any and all unfortunate events that take place?

Let's please clarify that I am in no way responsible for the actions of any person in this world besides myself. No one. Not even my own children. I will work hard my entire life to teach them right from wrong and instill a love for service to humanity in their hearts, but in the end they alone are answerable for their actions. Everyone is solely responsible for their own deeds. "And no burdened soul can bear the burden of another; and if a heavily laden soul call another to bear its load, naught of it shall be carried by the other, even though he be a kinsman (Quran, 35:19)."

After the Virginia Tech or Sandy Hook shootings did the media turn to the killer's religion or community looking for condemnation or

an apology? No. And I'm glad they didn't because every sane person understood that the monster responsible for each tragedy was just that, a monster who represented evil alone. So please extend the same compassion to us! Why isn't it possible for someone of Asian/Middle Eastern descent who just so happens to be affiliated with Islam simply be a misguided insane madman executing a personal vendetta against mankind, and not tarnish an entire religion by being wrongfully portrayed as a devout believer waging a "holy" war, until and unless there is clear evidence otherwise?

Love for all, hatred for none.

Aisha Khan
Herndon

Harmful House Bill

To the Editor:

Last week, the U.S. House decided that keeping our air safe is not important and passed a bill to restrict implementation of the new standards for nitrogen oxides, sulfur dioxide, carbon monoxide, particulate matter and lead. The "Smoggy Skies Act" (HR 4775) is an irresponsible attack on the Clean Air Act. This bill would double the time between EPA re-

views of harmful pollutants (from 5 to 10 years) and caters to corporations that want permits to pollute at levels beyond national health standards.

The standards in place protect our health and environment, and should be based on science, not considerations of cost and "technological feasibility" for companies that put profits before people. The connection between climate change and health, particularly asthma, is well established. Pumping more climate change pollutants into the air is impacting ozone pollen levels, increasing asthma attacks and allergic reactions. Richmond, Virginia, leads the list of the worst cities for asthma and allergy sufferers, and the health effects will only worsen.

Smog pollution already sends thousands of children to emergency rooms each year and costs Americans billions in health care costs, lost productivity and even premature deaths. Even more disconcerting is that smog pollution disproportionately hurts low-income communities and communities of color. Preventing attacks like HR 4775, and implementing the Clean Power Plan, is the next essential step in protecting our health.

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Leadership Fairfax Honors 2016 Graduates

FROM PAGE 4

There was no shortage of leaders among the presenters and speakers who addressed the graduates. Leadership Fairfax Board Chair Brian Monday from TD Bank (himself a graduate of the program), and class of '05 graduate Leadership Fairfax President and CEO Karen Cleveland were the co-hosts for the evening.

U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11) delivered the inspiring keynote remarks. Connolly praised the work of the organization, saying, "I want an informed electorate. Our community needs that. Leadership Fairfax opens your eyes to how things work and I think that makes you less cynical...and more prepared to find solutions to our challenges."

In addition to recognizing their latest class of achievers, LFI took this opportunity to present two special kudos. Susan Sims (LFI '12) and Suzanne Keating (LFI '98 and a member of the LFI faculty) were both honored as recipients

of the Torchbearer Award for outstanding service to the organization and the community.

Representatives from both graduating classes also spoke to the assembly. Before receiving her ELI diploma, Savannah Guernsey reminded the gathering that "great leaders are also great followers and are followed by great leaders. A large part of what we have learned is when to lead and when to follow," Guernsey said.

Warren Wright was the chosen speaker for the LFI graduating class. "Ours is a tale of two counties - one thriving and one struggling. I didn't know how great the disparity was until I took this course." Wright stated that his LFI experience not only made the situations around him clearer, they also better equipped him to work with others to find answers.

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The historic Church Street corridor closed down for Friday's town block party. Guests spilled from Church Street to the Town Green. A classic rock band anchored the festivities at Mill and Church streets.



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Food trucks sold waffles, pizza and dessert snacks during Vienna's block party.

Chillin' on Church Block Party Draws Crowds

Debut block party on Church Street and Town Green sponsored by Town of Vienna Parks and Rec offers live music, food, fun.

The first ever Friday evening Town of Vienna block party, taking over historic Church Street and the Town Green, kicked off on June 17 with a live classic rock band, food vendors, and activities for children. At any time during the three-hour Chillin' on Church mini-fest, which ran from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., more than a thousand people picnicked, drank beer, sat on blankets and chairs listening to music, and socialized with neighbors and friends.

Friday's Chillin' on Church may have been the first but it will not be the last, Department of Parks and Recreation director Leslie Herman said. A second block party is planned for the end of summer. Herman said her department was hoping for about 500 people; the number there delighted town staff. "Food trucks are the big rage now," said Herman, "and we knew people expect them.

Next time, we will see about getting more here." The Bahama Rockits really did rock it. The band played hits from the Beatles to Buffet to '60s and '70s hits. Food trucks sold waffles, stone-brick pizza, and desserts, while Sons of the American Legion Squadron 180 served up barbecue, hot dogs and soft drinks. American Legion Post 180 sold beer. Parks and Rec's teen council ran the

children's activities, old-fashioned games that youngsters know little about nowadays. Although Chillin' on Church was Herman's idea - she brought the concept from the city of Fairfax where she planned parks and events - Herman credits colleague Brandy Wyatt with pulling it all together. Freeman Store, adjacent to the Church Street stage, stayed open throughout the evening. Looking out over the expanse of families, teens and seniors, Town Council member Howard Springsteen said, "It's a smashing success."

—DONNA MANZ



Sophia Khan, 8, cartwheels as her parents chat with friends while Chillin' on Church.



Joanie Dempsey, president of the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary, supports another volunteer organization in Vienna, Sons of the American Legion Squadron 180. Dempsey bought a hot dog and beans from the Sons' booth.

Pet Adoption Expo Finds Forever-Homes for Homeless Animals

Organized and sponsored by the Vienna Arts Society, adoption event pulled together adoptables and families looking for a furry family member.

BY DONNA MANZ
THE CONNECTION

On one of the hottest days of the year, June 11, homeless animal rescue and pet-centric vendors converged in the parking lot of the old Marco Polo restaurant. A dog-and-cat adoption expo, sponsored and organized by the Vienna Arts Society, brought dogs needing a forever-home to families looking for a pet to make their family complete. And as hot and humid as it was, people came. Some filled out adoption papers, while others picked up pups they had applied to adopt the previous week. While the homeless animal adoption expo

was originally founded by VAS to support Wolf Trap Animal Rescue, each of the rescue organizations present benefited from the exposure. Wolf Trap Animal Rescue and Homeward Trails brought dogs to show off their personalities and Wolf Trap adopted out all they brought. Event organizer Lu Cousins of VAS, adopted a cat herself there. Southern states' shelters have a high-kill rate and rescue teams from the D.C. area routinely take a van down south to bring homeless pets to this area where there are many animal rescue options. VAS welcomed the animal rescue orgs at no charge for participation. Of the 24 participants, Wolf Trap Animal Rescue, Cat Hustler Rescue, Homeward Trails Rescue, Fairfax Pets on Wheels

Rescue, Lab Rescue League and NOVA Cats Rescue either brought potential adoptees with them or fielded questions and interest. The dogs were adopted out for \$450 and the rescue organizations kept the full amount of adoption fees. Wolf Trap Animal Rescue was founded in 2015 by veterinary surgeon Amber Burton. Although the rescue organization does not yet have a physical facility to house pets temporarily, the nonprofit depends on foster families to care for the animals until they are adopted. Homeward Trails, taking in 100 to 150 dogs and cats, maintains an adoption center in Fairfax Station where they can house and care for as many as 45 dogs at one time.

Care for the dogs and cats not in the Homeward Trails center are placed with people who can foster them. Other vendors included: Bottled Up, Little Unique, Becky's Pet Care, Spot on Dog Ice Packets, Rudy's Friends Dog Training, Charming Incentives, Tonya Rapton Author, Joyce Meyers Artist, Emilse Wolff Artist, Ken Frye Artist, Abby Parades Artist, Ginny Moore Artist, Joyce Turk Artist, Vibrant Pets, Hope Center, Noahs Ark, Dog Love, and, a special appearance by the chickens of Vienna (yes, they were real, live chickens). The Vienna Arts Society held a bake sale to offset their expenses for the event. "When you do an adoption event, you see the result of your work, animals getting a home," said Wolf Trap Animal Rescue volunteer Jesse Marsh. "That's the happy part."



Homewards Trail animal rescue brought a half-dozen dogs hoping to be adopted into a loving home.

To learn more about the Vienna Arts Society, go to www.viennaartssociety.org. To foster, adopt, or volunteer with one of the participating rescue organizations, see: www.wolftrapanimalrescue.com, www.facebook.com/wolftrapanimalrescue, www.homewardtrails.org (info@homewardtrails.org)

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Eleven-year-old Ela Crothers came with her family from Bethesda to pick up the puppy they had applied to bring home the week prior. Yogi, part of a Mississippi litter, found love in Ela's arms.

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PEOPLE

Vienna's Church of the Good Shepherd to Welcome New Pastor

The Church of the Good Shepherd, a United Methodist church in Vienna, will welcome new pastor Eric Song on July 3. The congregation also will host a reception for The Rev. Song and his wife Heather following its 10:15 a.m. worship service.

The Rev. Song comes from Market Street United Methodist Church in Winchester, where he served for the last three years. He previously served on the pastoral staff at Trinity United Methodist Church in McLean and New Creation UMC in Chesapeake. A second-generation Korean-American, he also has led English ministry services at two Korean-American churches.



PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

Pastor Eric Song

The Rev. Song, a Chicago native, is a graduate of Hampden-Sydney College and received his master's in divinity degree from Union Theological Seminary in Richmond. He serves God not only from the pulpit, but through his love of music as an avid guitarist (and collector of handmade guitars).

The Church of the Good Shepherd, located at 2351 Hunter Mill Road in Vienna, has been an active United Methodist church since 1967. For more information, go to www.GoodShepherdVA.com or www.facebook.com/goodshepherdvienna.

Vienna Contestant Wins Statewide Music Contest

The Vienna (Host) Lions Club has announced that its contestant, Zoe Woodaman, has won the 2016 Virginia Bland Contest in the vocalist category. Lions Clubs across Virginia hosted local, regional and district competitions, culminating in the statewide competition on May 20 in Roanoke. Zoe's winning performance was the soprano part of, "Ebben? Ne Andro Lontana" by Alfredo Catalani.

"It's so exciting to travel with our contestant to the State Convention, and see her win the top prize!" said Susan Stiles, Chair of the Vienna club's Bland Contest.

Zoe, 17, a senior and 2016 graduate of Mountain View High School in Stafford, Virginia, will attend the Peabody Institute of The Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland beginning this fall.

"My experience with Bland has been so wonderful, and the scholarship money will be so helpful with college coming up soon!" said Zoe.

The Bland Contest is named for African American minstrel musician James A. Bland (1845 – 1911), who wrote, "Carry Me Back to Old Virginny," the Virginia State Song from 1940 to 1997.



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From left: Zoe Woodaman, District 24A Governor Karen Parker, and Melissa Wu.

Caroline Ehler Crowned Miss Tysons' Outstanding Teen

Local teen Caroline Ehler will be competing in the Miss Virginia's Outstanding Teen pageant in Roanoke on June 25. Caroline was crowned Miss Tyson's Outstanding Teen in March and will compete to win the title of Miss Virginia's Outstanding Teen, a division of the Miss America Scholarship Pageant.

Caroline is a junior at Dominion High School. She has a passion for math and wants to be a computer engineer. She is a member of the National and French honor societies, and serves as her school's vice president as well as class president. She has also been a varsity cheerleader for 3 years. Her pageant platform is "Cheer-



PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

Caroline Ehler

ing Girls on to STEM." Her goal is to get young children excited about math and science and for girls to know that they can be a cheerleader *and* love math and science. Caroline has spoken locally to elementary school children as well as performed with the Science Cheerleaders in Washington, D.C. at the USA Science and Engineering Festival.

The pageant includes a talent competition in which Caroline plays classical piano. She won first place for her talent in the Miss Northern Virginia's Scholarship Pageant. Follow Caroline's journey on Facebook at "Miss Tysons' Outstanding Teen Caroline Ehler," or on Instagram @MissTysonsOT2016.



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Josh and Jamtones will perform an interactive, ultra-powered dance party for children Friday and Saturday, June 24 to 25 at Wolf Trap.

CALENDAR

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

ONGOING

"The Way I See It" Exhibit. Aug. 2-Oct. 1. Vienna Arts Society Gallery, 513 Maple Ave. W, Vienna. Reston resident Bob Kaminski will showcase his work in abstract and representational styles. ViennaArtsSociety.org. 703-319-3971.

"On the Street" Photography Show. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Aug. 2-Sept. 3. Vienna Arts Society, 115 Pleasant St. NW, Vienna. Annual photography show with judge Denise Silva. Meet the Artists Reception and Awards on Saturday, Aug. 6 from 4-6 p.m. 703-319-3971.

Gentle Yoga. Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. Emmaus United Church of Christ, 900 E Maple Ave. E, Vienna. Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton. Gentle Kundalini Yoga, one free introductory session, senior discounts. Increase your flexibility, improve your breathing and health, reduce your stress. Ravi Kaur has 15 years experience teaching yoga. \$15 per session. www.edimprovement.org. 571-213-3192.

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 22

Pirate School. 10:30 a.m. Children's Theatre-in-the-Woods, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. Set sail on a swashbuckling adventure with Pirate Billy Bones as he teaches zany lessons on how to stand, talk, laugh, and eat like a boisterous buccaneer. 4 and up. \$10. wolftrap.org/woods.

THURSDAY/JUNE 23

Up in Arms. 10:30 a.m. Children's Theatre-in-the-Woods, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. Meet Melvin the Monster and Red the Rat as they set off on a quest to earn their license to scream. Ages 4-9. \$10. wolftrap.org/woods.

THURSDAY-SUNDAY/JUNE 23-26

Riverdance. Thursday and Friday 8 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wolf Trap's Filene Center, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. Come see Irish traditions meet present day in Riverdance's dance, music, and song. \$20-\$75. 703-255-1900. wolftrap.org.

FRIDAY/JUNE 24

Josh and the Jamtones. 10:30 a.m. Children's Theatre-in-the-Woods, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. "Rocksteady" with Josh and the Jamtones in this interactive, ultra-powered dance party. Featuring stadium rock choruses and A cappella sing-a-longs. Ages 2-8. \$10. wolftrap.org/woods.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/JUNE 25-26

Women's Soccer Association Tournament. Oakton High School, 2900 Sutton Road, Vienna. Tournament to celebrate Fairfax Women's Soccer Association 40th anniversary this year. \$25 individuals. \$400 teams. fwsasoccer.org.

Vienna Wireless Society National Field Day. 2 p.m. Burke Lake Park, 7315 Ox Road, Fairfax Station. Local amateur radio operators ("hams") will join thousands nationwide on the weekend of June 25-26 to show off their amateur-radio and emergency-communications capabilities. To learn more about amateur radio, visit <http://viennawireless.net/> or go to <http://www.arrl.org/newham>.

TUESDAY/JUNE 28

SOLE Defined. 10:30 a.m. Children's Theatre-in-the-Woods, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. Separate your hands from your feet and clap along to the rhythmic beat! With a fusion of tap dance, sand dance, and body percussion. Ages 4 and up. \$8. wolftrap.org/woods.

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 29

123 Andres. 10:30 a.m. Children's Theatre-in-the-Woods, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. Bailor, or dance along, with 123 Andrés as he takes you on a melodic journey to the Latin music world. Ages 2-7. \$8. wolftrap.org/woods.

THURSDAY/JUNE 30

Furia Flamenca Dance Company. 10:30 a.m. Children's Theatre-in-the-Woods, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. Experience the thrill and elegance of flamenco! Combining fiery percussive footwork and passionate music. \$8. Ages 5 and up. wolftrap.org/woods.

COMMUNITY

Vienna Celebrates the Fourth with Festival and Fireworks

Food and family fun begins at 4 p.m. at Yeonas Park, 1319 Ross Drive SW, Vienna.

Festivities kick off with the 2nd annual Vienna Inn Chili Dog Eating Contest.

In two separate shows, Old Bay Circus Company, a hilarious and astonishing one-ring circus, will present lovely aerialists, giant unicycles, madcap juggling, and stunts that will thrill all ages.

Children's games and moon bounces will be on the upper fields, and the Little League concession stand will be open to fill bellies with delicious food and drink.

At 7 p.m. Vienna's own, Fat Chance will entertain with songs for all generations.

Fireworks begin at dark, approximately 9:30 p.m. at Southside Park, 1315 Road Drive SW, Vienna. Families are encouraged to bring blankets to enjoy the picnic atmosphere at the park. Seating available at Yeonas Park - Little League Concession will be open. Some seating will be available near the playground at



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Festival-goers pause as the national anthem is played. The Vienna Police Department Color Guard presented the colors at previous July 4 celebration in Vienna.

Southside Park.

Several roads are typically closed during the July 4 fireworks event:

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SPORTS

Top Spring, Winter Sports Moments

The following is a look back at some of the top moments in local high school sports from the 2016 winter and spring seasons.

Madison's Vannicola Throws No-Hitter

Katie Vannicola's first high school no-hitter earned the Madison softball team its first trip to the state championship game since 2004.

Vannicola did not allow a hit against Grassfield in the 6A state semifinals and Madison won 4-0 on June 10 at Robinson Secondary School. The future Georgetown hurler struck out seven, hit one batter and walked three.

Vannicola received some help from her defense, including third baseman Alex Echazarreta catching a line drive in the seventh inning.

The Warhawks would lose to Osboun Park 4-0 in the state final the following day.

Madison finished the season with a 24-5 record, with three of its losses coming in the Conference 6, 6A North region and state championship games.

South Lakes Boys' Lax Wins Conference

For the South Lakes boys' lacrosse team, a double-digit win streak developed into the first conference title in program history.

South Lakes defeated Yorktown 8-5 in the Conference 6 championship game on May 13 at Langley High School, giving the Seahawks their first title. South Lakes finished the season with a 16-3 record, including a 13-7 loss to Colonial Forge in the state quarterfinals.

After losing to Stone Bridge in the second game of the season, the Seahawks kept on winning. A five-game win streak turned into a 10-game win streak and eventually South Lakes entered the conference tournament final with a 12-1 record, having won 11 straight.

South Lakes made it 12 in a row with the win over Yorktown. Tommy Jung scored three goals for the Seahawks and Matt Hughes scored two.

Herndon's Menendez No-Hits South Lakes

Herndon junior Antonio Menendez tossed a no-hitter against South Lakes on April 2 and the Hornets defeated the Seahawks 2-0 in Reston.

Menendez struck out 10, walked two and hit two batters. He threw 86 pitches, including 53 for strikes.

It was the first varsity no-hitter for Menendez, who is committed to Wake Forest.



PHOTO BY CRAIG STERBUTZEL/THE CONNECTION

Madison pitcher Katie Vannicola threw her first high school no-hitter in the state semifinals.



PHOTO BY WILL PALENSCAR

Paige Galiani and the Langley girls' basketball team reached the state final for the first time in program history.

Langley Girls Reaches State Final

The 2015-16 Langley girls' basketball team reached the state championship game for the first time in program history. Along the way, the Saxons won their first conference/district title since 1988 and upset previously unbeaten Oakton in the state semifinals.

Langley gave two-time defending state

champion Cosby trouble in the state final and had a chance to tie with less than a minute remaining, but the Titans went on to capture their third straight championship with a 42-37 victory on March 9 at VCU's Siegel Center. Langley ended the season with a 26-6 record and the deepest postseason run in its history.

The previous day, the Saxons defeated then-unbeaten Oakton 47-38 in the semifinals. The 38 points were a season low for the Cougars.

Senior guard Paige Galiani became the program's all-time leading scorer during the regular season. She scored 17 points and hit a late 3-pointer that led the Saxons to a 34-32 win over Landstown in the state quarterfinals on March 5 at Old Dominion University. She totaled 11 points, four rebounds and two blocks against Cosby in the state final.

Senior guard Lizzy Shamloo had 12 points, nine rebounds and three steals against Cosby.

Vienna Little League Champions

The Majors Indians won the Vienna Little League championship at Yeonas Park in Vienna. The victory, 19-8 over the Yankees, was the Indians' 10th win in a row to close out the season after a 5-6 start. It was the fourth time in the last eight years the Indians have won the Vienna Little League championship, elevating the franchise to "dynasty" status. The team was led by Tommy Ferrick and Jack Houston on the mound, and Scott Coker and Sean Lavey, who hit home runs in the 19 run barrage. Pictured, from left: Front row—Riley Storck, Jack Emory; Middle row—Carter Casto, TJ Smith, Patrick Colyar, Calvin Meyer; Back row—Sean Christiansen, Robbie Lavey, Tommy Ferrick, Scott Coker, Sean Lavey, Jack Houston. Coaches—Coach Scott Leishear, Manager Chris Leggett.



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8287 SPRING LEAF CT	4	4	1	VIENNA		\$1,020,000	Detached	0.18	22182	LORD FAIRFAX MANORS
10901 JUSTIN KNOLL RD	6	3	1	OAKTON		\$1,013,500	Detached	1.93	22124	STUART MILL ESTATES
2834 NORBORNE PL	4	4	1	OAKTON		\$999,999	Detached	0.14	22124	HEARTHSTONE VILLAGE OAK
1779 DAWSON ST	3	3	1	VIENNA		\$924,000	Townhouse	0.05	22182	AMBERWOOD
2006 ROUNDHOUSE RD	6	4	0	VIENNA		\$902,000	Detached	1.87	22181	HUNTERS STATION
11232 SORREL RIDGE LN	4	3	1	OAKTON		\$900,000	Detached	2.01	22124	FOX LAKE
2840 RIFLE RIDGE RD	4	2	1	OAKTON		\$900,000	Detached	0.56	22124	HUNT VALLEY ESTATES
10252 GREENSPIRE DR	4	3	1	OAKTON		\$890,000	Townhouse	0.07	22124	OAKTON EAST
2109 SHERIFF CT	5	2	2	VIENNA		\$890,000	Detached	0.35	22181	BARRISTERS PLACE
2096 ROBIN WAY CT	4	4	1	VIENNA		\$890,000	Detached	0.20	22182	ROBIN GLEN
10514 SAMAGA DR	4	3	1	OAKTON		\$885,000	Detached	0.93	22124	AVON PARK
2901 DARNLEY PL	5	4	1	VIENNA		\$883,000	Detached	0.16	22181	EDGEMOORE
510 RIDGE RD SW	4	3	1	VIENNA		\$880,000	Detached	0.28	22180	VIENNA WOODS
9805 PEPPERMILL PL	5	3	1	VIENNA		\$875,000	Detached	0.50	22182	CLARKS CROSSING
2733 OAKTON PARK CT	4	3	1	VIENNA		\$868,000	Detached	0.13	22181	OAKTON PARK
11474 BRONZEDALE DR NW	4	3	1	OAKTON		\$865,000	Detached	0.65	22124	WAPLES MILL ESTATES
10711 MILLER RD	4	3	1	OAKTON		\$865,000	Detached	0.83	22124	N/A
1371 CARPERS FARM WAY	4	3	1	VIENNA		\$860,000	Detached	0.63	22182	CARPERS FARM
9296 KILBY GLEN DR	5	3	1	VIENNA		\$855,500	Detached	0.34	22182	TOWLSTON MEADOW
8039 RESERVE WAY	4	3	2	VIENNA		\$840,000	Townhouse	0.03	22182	RESERVE AT TYSONS CORNER
1808 DAWSON ST	3	3	1	VIENNA		\$835,000	Townhouse	0.07	22182	AMBERWOOD
11922 LATIGO LN	5	3	1	OAKTON		\$822,500	Detached	0.49	22124	VALE PARK WEST
2904 TAJ DR	4	2	1	OAKTON		\$810,000	Detached	0.83	22124	TAJ THE
2729 SUTTON RD	5	3	0	VIENNA		\$800,000	Detached	0.56	22181	T G VALENTINE
401 TROY CT SE	4	3	0	VIENNA		\$792,000	Detached	0.27	22180	HAVENNER
9207 BOIS AVE	5	3	0	VIENNA		\$790,000	Detached	0.44	22182	TRAILS THE
10296 GREENSPIRE DR	3	2	2	OAKTON		\$787,000	Townhouse	0.07	22124	OAKTON EAST
10204 HUNT COUNTRY LN	5	3	0	VIENNA		\$785,000	Detached	0.48	22182	WAYSIDE
2623 CLIDE CT	5	2	1	OAKTON		\$782,500	Detached	0.96	22124	AVON PARK
1786 BRENTRIDGE ST	3	3	1	VIENNA		\$780,000	Townhouse	0.07	22182	AMBERWOOD
8510 REHOBOTH CT	4	3	1	VIENNA		\$775,000	Detached	0.24	22182	WOODFORD PARK COURTS
2919 ELMESMEADE CT	4	3	1	OAKTON		\$770,000	Detached	0.10	22124	OAK MARR COURTS
8841 ASHGROVE HOUSE LN	3	3	1	VIENNA		\$765,000	Townhouse	0.03	22182	TYSONS VILLAGE
1631 HICKS DR	3	2	1	VIENNA		\$758,000	Detached	0.80	22182	CHAPEL HILL
2221 MALRAUX DR	4	3	0	VIENNA		\$751,000	Detached	0.26	22182	TYSONS WOODS
1919 BYRD RD	4	2	0	VIENNA		\$750,000	Detached	0.50	22182	VILLA LORING
3001 PHYLLMAR PL	4	3	1	OAKTON		\$745,000	Detached	0.85	22124	VALE PARK
2212 CEDAR MILL CT	3	2	1	VIENNA		\$745,000	Detached	0.14	22182	CEDAR MILL
1857 ABBOTSFORD DR	5	4	0	VIENNA		\$745,000	Detached	0.32	22182	EUDORA
11601 HELMONT DR	4	2	1	OAKTON		\$725,000	Detached	0.60	22124	GILMAR ESTATES
2713 SNOWBERRY CT	4	2	1	VIENNA		\$725,000	Detached	0.29	22181	VIENNA OAKS
1607 LEWIS CASTLE DR	3	3	1	VIENNA		\$722,000	Townhouse	0.02	22182	TYSONS VILLAGE
428 BLAIR RD NW	5	3	0	VIENNA		\$719,000	Detached	0.31	22180	BERKELEY MANOR
10102 TAMARACK DR	4	2	1	VIENNA		\$715,000	Detached	0.58	22182	TAMARACK
8876 ASHGROVE HOUSE LN	3	3	1	VIENNA		\$715,000	Townhouse	0.02	22182	TYSONS VILLAGE
9567 LAGERSFIELD CIR	3	3	1	VIENNA		\$710,000	Townhouse	0.05	22181	COUNTRY CREEK
2209 ABBOTSFORD DR	4	2	1	VIENNA		\$710,000	Detached	0.24	22181	TANGLEWOOD
1701 IRVIN ST	3	2	0	VIENNA		\$710,000	Detached	0.60	22182	ANKERDALE
1934 BATON DR	4	2	1	VIENNA		\$705,000	Detached	0.35	22182	TIBURON
2326 MALRAUX DR	4	3	0	VIENNA		\$699,900	Detached	0.25	22182	TYSONS WOODS
2723 PEMBSLY DR	3	3	1	VIENNA		\$692,500	Townhouse	0.05	22181	VIRGINIA CENTER
10181 CASTLEWOOD LN	3	3	1	OAKTON		\$685,000	Townhouse	0.05	22124	WYANT PROPERTY
2947 MILLER HEIGHTS RD	4	2	1	OAKTON		\$685,000	Detached	0.48	22124	CINNAMON RIDGE
8002 RACHELLE PL	3	3	1	VIENNA		\$680,000	Townhouse	0.04	22182	COURTHOUSE STATION
8417 MANASSAS CIR	4	2	1	VIENNA		\$679,900	Detached	0.26	22180	STONEWALL MANOR
145 EAST ST NE	4	2	2	VIENNA		\$675,000	Townhouse	0.08	22180	WOLFTRAPPE SQUARE
1929 WOODFORD RD	4	2	0	VIENNA		\$675,000	Detached	0.50	22182	VILLA LORING
2722 CHAIN BRIDGE RD	4	3	0	VIENNA		\$657,500	Detached	0.46	22181	SHOCKEY
432 BLAIR RD NW	5	3	0	VIENNA		\$657,000	Detached	0.29	22180	BERKELEY MANOR
1827 HORSEBACK TRL	4	3	0	VIENNA		\$650,000	Detached	0.55	22182	TAMARACK
11825 VALE RD	4	2	1	OAKTON		\$647,500	Detached	0.58	22124	FOXVALE
604 MEADOW LN SW	3	3	0	VIENNA		\$647,500	Detached	0.23	22180	VIENNA WOODS
418 YEONAS DR SW	4	3	0	VIENNA		\$647,450	Detached	0.24	22180	VIENNA WOODS
606 KINGSLEY RD SW	4	3	0	VIENNA		\$643,500	Detached	0.27	22180	VIENNA WOODS
3212 DOMINY CT	3	2	1	OAKTON		\$635,000	Detached	0.48	22124	FOXWOOD
8502 STONEWALL DR	4	3	0	VIENNA		\$630,000	Detached	0.24	22180	STONEWALL MANOR
9221 DELLIWOOD DR	4	2	0	VIENNA		\$625,000	Detached	0.42	22180	TOWN AND COUNTRY ESTATES
9766 OLEANDER AVE	4	2	1	VIENNA		\$625,000	Detached	0.26	22181	SUTTON MANOR
208 CHERRY ST SW	3	1	1	VIENNA		\$620,000	Detached	0.27	22180	WEST VIENNA WOODS
308 PLUM ST SW	3	2	0	VIENNA		\$620,000	Detached	0.23	22180	WEST VIENNA WOODS
2888 KELLY SQ	3	2	1	VIENNA		\$615,000	Townhouse	0.06	22181	COUNTRY CREEK
300 ROOSEVELT CT NE	3	2	1	VIENNA		\$600,000	Detached	0.55	22180	AYR HILL HEIGHTS
8327 COTTAGE ST	4	3	0	VIENNA		\$600,000	Detached	0.24	22180	DUNN LORING WOODS
2504 FLINT HILL RD	5	3	0	VIENNA		\$599,000	Detached	0.51	22181	ORCHARD VIEW
9812 OLEANDER AVE	5	3	0	VIENNA		\$598,000	Detached	0.20	22181	EDGELEA WOODS
3167 BRADFORD WOOD CT	4	3	1	OAKTON		\$585,000	Townhouse	0.05	22124	CONCORD VILLAGE
9622 MASTERWORKS DR	3	3	1	VIENNA		\$585,000	Townhouse	0.04	22181	COUNTRY CREEK
9852 SNOWBOUND CT	4	3	0	VIENNA		\$575,000	Detached	0.24	22181	EDGELEA WOODS
301 ARCADIAN CIR SW	3	2	0	VIENNA		\$565,000	Detached	0.24	22180	WEST VIENNA WOODS
2324 WHEYSTONE CT	3	3	1	VIENNA		\$562,000	Townhouse	0.04	22182	WHEYSTONE
2612 BOWLING GREEN DR	4	3	0	VIENNA		\$560,000	Detached	0.29	22180	DUNN LORING WOODS
10113 EBENSHIRE CT	4	3	1	OAKTON		\$550,000	Townhouse	0.03	22124	CONCORD VILLAGE
8309 WINDER ST	4	2	1	VIENNA		\$550,000	Detached	0.24	22180	STONEWALL MANOR
617 JOHN MARSHALL DR NW	3	2	0	VIENNA		\$550,000	Detached	0.23	22180	VIENNA HILLS
259 COMMONS DR	3	2	1	VIENNA		\$550,000	Townhouse	0.06	22180	VIENNA COMMONS
242 COMMONS DR NW	3	2	1	VIENNA		\$519,900	Townhouse	0.05	22180	VIENNA COMMONS
9966 LONGFORD CT	3	3	1	VIENNA		\$500,100	Townhouse	0.03	22181	WATERFORD
7907 TYSON OAKS CIR	3	2	2	VIENNA		\$499,000	Townhouse	0.03	22182	COURTS OF TYSONS
7986 TYSON OAKS CIR	3	2	2	VIENNA		\$485,000	Townhouse	0.04	22182	COURTS OF TYSONS
10433 RED GRANITE TER	3	3	1	OAKTON		\$476,900	Townhouse	0.04	22124	ARROWOOD
10403 EMERALD ROCK DR	4	2	2	OAKTON		\$475,000	Townhouse	0.04	22124	ARROWOOD
2665 MANHATTAN PL #105	2	2	1	VIENNA		\$470,000	Garden 1-4 Floors	22180	WESTBRIAR PLAZA	

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PHOTOS BY JEFF PALK

From left — Troop 1128 scouts and family members Jeff Wilson, David Fraley, Alex Hollis, Chris Enos, Dan Englund and Leo Detwiler assist Eagle Scout candidate Ian Palk with his service project at Churchill Road Elementary School in McLean.

Building a Bird Sanctuary

On Saturday, June 4, Eagle Scout candidate Ian Palk, along with approximately 50 scouts and adults from Troop 1128 in Vienna, planted more than 70 bushes, shrubs and perennials in a grassy area outside the first grade classrooms at Churchill Road Elementary School in McLean. For his Eagle Scout Service Project, Ian built a bird sanctuary, carefully researching the plant and flower species that would attract native birds by providing appropriate shelter and food sources. The team also built two benches for students to use to enjoy the new space, installed multiple bird feeders and bird baths, and built and installed bird houses around the school property to attract nesting birds. The bird sanctuary will provide first graders a living laboratory for their study of birds as part of the first-grade curriculum.



Eagle Scout candidate Ian Palk stands in front of a portion of the bird sanctuary he designed and built at Churchill Road Elementary School in McLean.

FAITH NOTES

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

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By KENNETH B. LOURIE

As rare as this beginning may sound, a funny thing happened to me at my dentist's office this past week: the apparent need for two root canals followed up by two crowns (neither of which will make me king or master of my domain) for a not-so-grand total of between 8 and 10 thousand uninsured/out-of-pocket dollars (the specific pocket yet to be determined and the timetable likewise yet to be decided).

And it's not as if the consequence of my inaction was a shock. Hardly. My dentist and my dental hygienist, Sandy, have been advising/cajoling me and attempting various preventive procedures for years hoping to avoid this eventuality, for my sake, really. Nevertheless, despite their consistently best efforts to get me to floss and/or use whatever flossing alternative exists on the market, I have unfortunately through no fault of theirs, reached my infected point, at least on the X-Rays I was shown, of no return. Not that needing root canals or any other variety of dental repair is at all unusual – or unexpected after reaching a certain middle age, it was more the manner in which the need/recommendation was suggested to me by my dentist and his hygienist – and my reaction to it, that I thought was column-worthy. I thought especially so in the light of having been diagnosed with stage IV, non-small cell lung cancer in early 2009.

Separating out the cost-anxiety for a moment and trying just to deal with the bad, inconvenient, negative, time-consuming news, the message I received, softly and clearly, was one offered up as sympathetically and presumably as empathetically as possible, given my underlying cancer diagnosis, with which the practice is well acquainted. And I appreciated the sensitivity with which the dental assessment – and cost, was discussed. However, if I had to bet a dollar, I would say their initial concern was more about yours truly finding the necessary unreimbursed dollars to solve this long-standing tooth decay than was its impact on me as a cancer patient, as evidenced by their assurances of financial assistance.

And since I was not yet in the excruciating pain that my dentist described was likely forthcoming, nor flush with cash ready to commit to this huge/not totally unexpected expense, I took their advice in stride (in the dental chair, actually) and hesitatingly authorized their first step: e-mailing the referred endodontist for price/plan/schedule, etc.

Now this is where the subject finally gets funny, and I don't mean hysterical (because I'm not crazy or laughing heartily) and I don't mean ironic (because it's not exactly a twist on reality), but it was as Jerry Seinfeld once said: "something." And the something it was I think was context. I have the ultimate weight on my shoulders: cancer – and by association I'm told, on my teeth, too. I'm already living with terrible news, the worst kind of news, a "terminal" prognosis given at age 54 and a half due to an "incurable" form of lung cancer. And what was funny to me was the serious, somber and sorrowful tones and expressions with which this root canal need was given. If I hadn't already received a cancer diagnosis seven-plus years ago, I would have thought I was receiving one right there in the dentist's office.

Root canal? Is that all you got? Hey, I may not be thrilled about the cost and I'm certainly not looking forward to the pain and inconvenience. I'll get it done when I get it done. In the interim however, to be honest, I can't worry about it too much. I have cancer: "The Emperor of all Maladies."

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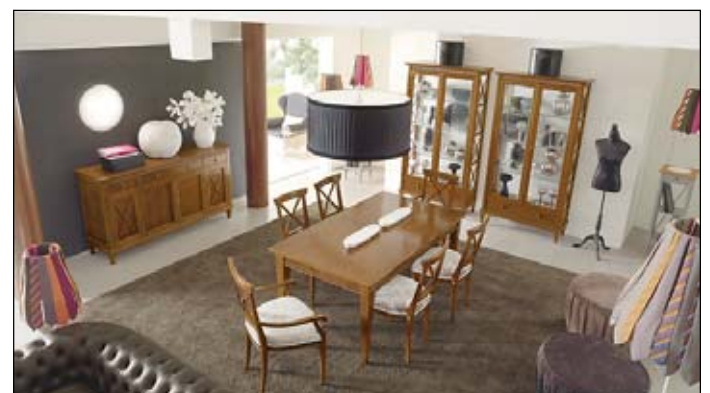
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