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VIENNA ARTS SOCIETY 2017
Artist: Deborah Kennedy
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Medium: photograph
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She takes gone
as done,
no thought of way
of escape
She's not caught
she's not even
here
She stares down
her nose, chooses
exactly
what air to breathe
when
and who, today,
can wait
It's all but over,
the leaving
Already, she's not
looking back
She sees, knows
the next and then
and more,
no questions
All she needs
of you,
is a room, a door
and an open window
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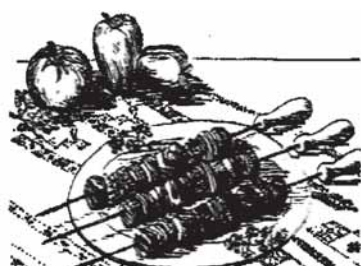
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(July 1, 2018-June 30, 2019)



McLean Community Center Governing Board
Wednesday, Sept. 27, 7:30 p.m.

Residents who wish to speak at the Public Hearing are asked to call 703-790-0123, TTY: 711, to be placed on the speakers' list. Copies of the draft budget proposal will be available during the public hearing.

Written comments may be delivered to the Center's temporary Administrative Offices (see address below) marked "Attention: Executive Director," or sent by email to george.sachs@fairfaxcounty.gov. Written comments may be provided after the public hearing up through Monday, Oct. 23.

The date of the **Finance Committee Meeting of the Whole**, a full board budget work session, is **Tuesday, Sept. 12**, at 7:30 p.m. at the Center's temporary Administrative Offices (see address below).



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News



LearningRx Receives National Recognition

LearningRx Of Reston, located in Vienna, received national recognition for the fifth year this summer. Pictured here, from left, Irene Ward, LearningRx Reston Center Director, Kim Hanson, CEO LearningRx Franchise, Maureen Loftus, Executive Director, LearningRx Vienna/Reston, Gina Forster, LearningRx Tysons/Vienna Center Director.

VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest handled by the Town of Vienna Police Department from Aug. 18-24, 2017.

INCIDENTS

Petit Larceny — 1100 Block Drake Street, SW, Between Aug. 3, 6 a.m. and Aug. 19, 10 a.m. A citizen reported that someone entered his unlocked vehicle, rummaged through the vehicle and stole some property.

Fraud — 600 Block Yeonas Drive, SW, Aug. 16, noon. A citizen reported that someone took cash from one of her credit cards without her consent.

Assault — Cedar Lane Shopping Center, 262 Cedar Lane, SE, Aug. 19, 10:40 p.m. A citizen reported that a subject that appeared to be drunk yelled at him and pushed him with one hand. The citizen did not want to prosecute the subject.

Suspicious Event — 400 Block Ridge Road, SW, Aug. 20, 4:43 p.m. A citizen requested police to assist with a domestic dispute.

Emotionally Disturbed Person — Echols Street SE/Follin Lane SE, Aug. 20, 10:03 p.m. A citizen requested an officer to assist with a suspicious person. After interviewing the person, it was determined that the person was in need of medical assistance. Officer Reedy transported the person to a hospital.

Lost Property — 1100 Block Hillcrest Drive, SW Between Aug. 16, 5 p.m. and Aug. 21, 11:17 a.m. A citizen reported a missing Virginia

motorcycle license plate.

Arrest - Driving While Intoxicated — Maple Avenue East/Niblick Drive SE, Aug. 21, 11:31 p.m. Officer Finelli observed a driver commit a series of traffic violations and initiated a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver, Finelli detected signs of impairment. Finelli placed the driver under arrest after he failed to successfully complete a series of field sobriety tests. Finelli transported the 64-year-old man of Iverson Street in Temple Hills, Md. to the Vienna Police Station where he was offered the opportunity to provide a sample of his breath for analysis, which he refused. The driver was then transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. Finelli was able to obtain and served two arrest warrants (Driving While Intoxicated and Driving While Intoxicated Refusal).

Arrest - Driving While Intoxicated — 300 Block Courthouse Road, SW, Aug. 21, 6:31 p.m. Lt. Taylor observed a driver commit a series of traffic violations and initiated a traffic stop. Officer Borja responded to back up Taylor and took the lead on the investigation. Borja detected signs of impairment during her interaction with the driver. Borja placed the driver under arrest. Borja transported the 30-year-old man of Coronado Terrace in Ashburn, Va. to the Vienna Police Station where he was offered the opportunity to provide a sample of his breath for analysis, which he refused. The driver was then transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center.

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Grand Larceny 1 — 500 Block Windover Avenue, NW, Aug. 2, 3:50 a.m. A resident reported that someone stole his decorative outdoor lamp.

Welfare Check 1 — 900 Block Hillcrest Drive, SW, Aug. 22, 12:25 p.m. A citizen requested a welfare check of a town resident. Officers responded to the residence and saw an unresponsive person inside the home. Officers were able to make entry and provide assistance to that person. An ambulance was requested and the person was transported to a hospital for non-life threatening injuries.

Lost Property — Glyndon Park, 300 Glyndon Street, NE, Aug. 20, 6 p.m. A citizen reported that he lost some personal property on park grounds.

Police Service — West Street NW/Windover Avenue NW, Between Aug. 23, 11:02 p.m. and Aug. 24, 12:05 a.m. Over the last several days, the Vienna Police Department has received multiple reports of "loud noises" or "explosions" in the NE and NW quadrants of the Town of Vienna. The areas were checked but officers found no damaged property or suspicious sounds. As a result of the reports, officers have increased patrols in the area and are interviewing subjects in the vicinity. Investigation is continuing.

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Members of the Vienna Arts Society, friends, and photographers were present at the awards ceremony for a photography competition called "The Human Condition" on Saturday.



Laura Goyer, a Vienna Resident, and a photographer herself, was a judge for the show at the Vienna Arts Society on Saturday, Aug. 19. Here she stands next to some of her own work which was separate from the show.

Vienna Arts Society Photography Show Focuses on 'Human Condition'

BY COLIN STOECKER
THE CONNECTION

The Winner of Vienna Art's Society's Annual Photography Exhibit "The Human Condition," is not only a photographer: Deborah Kennedy, who runs Artspeaks and took home first place for her photo "Gone," accompanies her photographs with poems.

"When people see my photographs they look at the picture, read the poem, and look at the picture again for a long time," said Kennedy.

"Gone" is a picture of Kennedy's daughter when she was 15 years old. Kennedy recited the poem to the room, reflecting her daughter's attitude some 10 years prior when all she wanted to do was hurry up and get out of this point in her life. "It's obvious the photographer is really focused on her and she is oblivious about everything else going on around her. She's like the world doesn't exist for me," said Kennedy.

Director of the Vienna Arts Society, Lu Cousins, said that her idea for the show was indicative of the unrest going on in the nation at large. "We have a show every August and a photography competition, but this year there so much going on and so many emotions in communities. We want the photographers to be able to pick out whatever they want, a building or asking questions like who lives in it?" she said.

According to Cousins, this was not a typical photography show, as all of the



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competitors were members of the Vienna Arts Society. Still, there was a judge present, Laura Goyer, a Vienna resident, and a photographer herself.

Goyer, who was a pediatric physician for 25 years, also had a display of photographs at the show representing "The Human Condition," although hers were not judged.

"It's easy for me to pick the best photographs that I love, but it's hard to convince somebody else that these are better because it requires a reason. Feedback is my favorite part of the show, and I enjoy working with artists who are open to parts of their work that could be altered and telling them about what I

liked," said Goyer.

Deborah Kennedy took home first place for her photo "Gone."

Diane Blackwell, of Houston, Texas, won second place for "Into the Light."

Patricia Deege won third place for "Musician & Friend."

Susan Scanlon won honorable mention for "Havana, Cuba."

Mike Colby won honorable mention for "Xingu Indians Dancing for Amazon (Xinga) Eco-Services."

The photographs submitted by member-photographers did not have to be from a specific time or place, and many submissions came from trips abroad as well as from many years prior.

PHOTOS BY COLIN STOECKER/THE CONNECTION



Susan Scanlon, a Vienna resident, lived abroad in La Paz Bolivia for three years with her husband who is in the Foreign Service. Her photos from Havana, Cuba, won her honorable mention.

OPINION

Helping After Harvey

Give locally in Texas; give money not stuff.

The scenes of devastation from Hurricane Harvey in Texas will prompt many generous people to contribute to immediate relief efforts.

First, a reminder to give money, not stuff. The organizations on the ground need money now to address particular needs.

As a local paper, it fair to say that if we had a similar disaster here in Northern Virginia, we would want donated money to go to local organizations that understand local needs, rules, supply chains, etc. Give locally.

EDITORIAL

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#CallTextLive — A Hashtag to Remember

BY WENDY GRADISON
CEO, PRS, INC.

It's been a tough year in Northern Virginia as youth and young adult suicides bereaved families, communities and schools. Many adult family members, friends, neighbors and colleagues were lost to suicide as well. In the aftermath, lives were cut short and so much promise left unrealized.

COMMENTARY Suicide, a serious issue locally and nationally that claims the lives of 44,000 people annually, is the 10th leading cause of death nationwide and second leading cause for people aged 15-24.

At PRS, Inc., a nonprofit that runs Northern Virginia's crisis hotline and textline, we are marking September's Suicide Prevention Month by launching the #CallTextLive Campaign. We've teamed up with Connection Newspapers for this third annual campaign to engage the community in discussing suicide and encouraging people to get help by calling or texting a hotline.

Using the hashtag #CallTextLive, the Campaign works to educate the community about resources available and actions they can take to bring awareness to suicide prevention and intervention. In fact, a simple call or text to a crisis hotline or textline often provides the empathetic, trained voice that someone in crisis needs to reduce his/her pain and provide alternatives and connections to care.

The #CallTextLive Campaign has a variety of events and actions to bring suicide prevention to the forefront. Throughout the month, we will post these on a web-based interactive calendar at www.prsinc.org/calltextlive. In addition, we will be sharing tips and resources via social media and asking people to share their stories and photos on PRS Facebook, Twitter and Instagram using #CallTextLive hashtag as well as posting Stories of Hope — video vignettes from survivors, family members, and hotline volunteers.

A highlight of the month is Selfie Day on Sept. 21 when friends, community, and clients show support by tagging themselves on selfies on our Facebook and other social media pages

using #CallTextLive. We have t-shirts available for purchase for PRS Selfie Day. We also encourage the community to join the PRS team (with #CallTextLive t-shirts) for the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention Fairfax Walk on Sept. 16 and the NAMI (National Alliance of Mental Illness) NOVA and Loudoun Walks, which are both taking place Sept. 23.

For every death, 278 people manage to move past thoughts of suicide and survive. PRS supports this through its CrisisLink program, which handled nearly 34,000 crisis calls and exchanged over 33,000 crisis text messages from the Northern Virginia region last year. Any time of the day or night, the PRS CrisisLink Hotline can be reached at 800-273-TALK [8255] and the textline by texting "CONNECT" to 85511.

Making a call or sending a text to PRS CrisisLink saves lives. Removing the stigma around reaching out, discussing issues that contribute to suicide and encouraging people to get help is key. By participating in #CallTextLive, we can turn up the volume, and make it OK to have a conversation, make a call or send a text.

both parties came together to reject hate and renew our nation's founding principles of equality and inclusiveness. But instead of joining these leaders — including many prominent Republicans — we understand you have refused to speak out against the President's reaction to Charlottesville.

As Jewish members of the Virginia General Assembly, we write you because, as Virginians and Jews, we find your failure to denounce the President's reaction to Nazism deeply dis

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

American Values

To the Editor:

The following open letter was addressed to Republican gubernatorial candidate Ed Gillespie.

On Aug. 11 and 12, we saw violence and hate we hoped we would never again witness on American soil. In Charlottesville, Neo-Nazis and white supremacists took to the streets, marched with torches, gave Nazi salutes, shouted that Jews "will not replace them," chanted the Fascist slogan "Blood and Soil," proclaimed white supremacy, and murdered a

woman who was brave enough to stand up to them. Then, instead of clearly rejecting this evil, the President of the United States twice defended those marching with the very Neo-Nazis who unleashed this deadly violence on one of Virginia's greatest cities.

After President Trump's press conferences, we were left shocked and then deeply saddened. Let's be clear. "Very fine people" don't march with people who are holding Nazi flags and chanting anti-Semitic slogans. We were heartened to see, in the wake of Donald Trump's horrifying comments, that leaders in

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CONNECTION FAMILIES

Time for School

Making the transition from summer to the classroom.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL

As children savor the last days of summer, many families are gearing up for the start of a new school year. From first day anxiety to new bedtime routines, local educators offer suggestions for a seamless transition to the classroom.

"I have always loved the rhythms of the school calendar because of the beginnings and endings and the possibilities for reflection and a chance to refresh and renew..." said Amy L. Best, Ph.D., professor and chair, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, George Mason University. "I think the ritual of back-to-school shopping, whether that means a new binder and notebook, a new backpack, or a pair of new sneakers ... remains important for us because it offers opportunity to think about school anew."

The start of a new school year is an ideal time to help children set reasonable expectations, an important concept for high school students who begin to manage an increasing amount of responsibility and must learn to create a balance in their lives, says Best. "Put things in perspective," she said. "Sometimes the goals [that are] focused on personal growth, like learning how to advocate for yourself with a teacher, or navigating the halls, are as important as identifying academic milestones."

"It's useful to revisit points of struggle and perhaps more importantly, triumphs from the previous year. Reminding a student how they successfully managed a difficult issue is helpful," said Best.

Gone are the days of staying up late and sleeping in the next day. A healthy bedtime routine must be re-established gradually, advises Sean Aiken, head of school, BASIS Independent McLean.

"Consider easing into the early morning routine by adjusting your sleep schedules several days before school starts with progressively earlier wake up times," said Aiken. "Building the routine before the first day of school will help the adjustment on day one."

"In the week before the school year begins, families should revisit the expectations for bedtimes and morning routines and choose an evening and following morning to practice the routines," said Jalene Spain Thomas, Lower School Director St. Stephen's and St. Agnes School in Alexandria. "Children will appreciate knowing that the new routine for this school year includes a slightly later bedtime or more time for independent reading or shared reading with a parent."

For younger students, separation anxiety may become an issue as they move into a parent-free envi-



PHOTO BY MARILYN CAMPBELL

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ronment each day, says Aiken. "In these cases, contact the school and establish a go-to adult for your child to talk to in the event they miss you too much during the day," he said.

Focusing on the positives about a child's school environment can help ease anxiety. "Younger students may want to draw a picture of what they think their new classroom will look like," said Thomas. "Older students may enjoy writing a list of what they hope to accomplish in the school year that the family opens together in January."

Start with an organized workspace and shared family calendar to keep the family organized from day one, advises Aiken. "Folders and binders for home organizational systems are just as important as those your child will bring to school," he said. "Post a large calendar in a common area of the home so early due dates, back to school nights, and extracurricular activities can be seen by everyone in the family."

"Parents, remember to take some time for yourselves in those early days, too," said Aiken. "You've worked hard all summer arranging camps, play dates, and other great activities. Maybe it's time to take a long lunch break together or catch a cheap matinee once you're safely assured that you children are off and running in their new learning adventures."

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AREA ROUNDUPS

Emergency Preparedness Class Coming to McLean

The Fairfax County Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) will offer CERT 129, a basic training class, on seven Tuesday evenings in September and October at the McLean Fire Station, 1445 Laughlin Ave., McLean on Sept. 12, 19, 26 and Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24 from 7-10:30 p.m. Students are required to attend all seven class sessions and the final. This training does not require any physical strength or agility. This CERT Basic training follows the FEMA curriculum, and is tailored to address potential local disasters and hazards.

CERT Basic Training Class on emergency preparedness is co-sponsored by the Fairfax Co. Fire and Rescue Dept. and the McLean Citizens Association (MCA).

For more information and to apply, visit bit.ly/2tXrP3L

Fundraiser to Support SHARE of McLean

A fundraiser for SHARE, Inc. of McLean has been announced by HBC Group's (Keller Williams Realty) Community Charity Champions. Come to dinner on Tuesday, Sept. 12, from 5 to 8 p.m. at Pulcinella Italian Host in McLean to support SHARE. Enjoy dinner and know that approximately 70 percent of the proceeds from food and drink will go to SHARE as long as the diner brings the flyer for the event. Contact HBC Group at 703-734-0192 or visit www.HBCGroupKW.com to receive a flyer.

SHARE, Inc. of McLean is a non-profit, nonsectarian, all-volunteer community relief organization helping people in need in McLean, Great Falls and Pimmit Hills area for more than 45 years. They provide as-

sistance through their food pantry, where people and families in need throughout the community can go for assistance with groceries. SHARE also provides emergency financial assistance, used furniture pick-up and delivery, distributes grocery gift cards at Thanksgiving and the holidays, holiday gifts, and school supplies.

Sponsors of the event are: Karen Briscoe and Lizzy Conroy with the HBC Group of Keller Williams Realty, Marcus Simon with EKKO Title, Kevin Dougherty of Pillar to Post, Kathy and Justin Neal of The Neal Team/SunTrust Mortgage, Jim Harris of BOWA, The McLean Chamber of Commerce, and Moe Jebali with Pulcinella Italian Host.

Used Book Sale To Be Held at Spring Hill Recreation Center

The McLean Area Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) will host its annual Used Book Sale on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 6, 7 and 8 at the Spring Hill Recreation Center, 1239 Spring Hill Road, McLean. The sale hours are Friday 9 a.m.-7p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m., and Sunday noon-4 p.m. An added feature this year will be the auction of a signed Washington National Max Scherzer shirt and cap.

For 48 years with Book Sale proceeds, the McLean Area AAUW Branch has raised more than \$550,000 for fellowships, scholarships, and grants and has endowed an American Fellowship, International Fellowship, and two Research & Projects Grants. Nationally AAUW is one of the largest sources of funding for graduate women. For the 2017-2018 academic year AAUW provided more than \$3.7 million for 250 fellowships and grants to outstanding women and nonprofit organizations.

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LETTER

FROM PAGE 4

turbing. The events in Charlottesville recall the darkest moments in both the history of this country and the Jewish people. What we saw on Friday and Saturday was an assault on our democratic society and the very values this country was founded upon. Yet the President of the United States, the leader of our country, has not once but twice defended those who would march with the Neo-Nazis and their ilk.

Our country at its best has been a beacon of hope and safety for all peoples. Hundreds of thousands gave their lives so that the forces that destroyed Europe would never set foot on American soil. President Trump's reaction to Charlottesville represented a betrayal of that noble legacy and our core American values.

Donald Trump is the leader of your party. Your refusal to speak out against him is a colossal failure of leadership, a moral abdication, and deeply troubling to Virginia's Jewish community. We urge you to break your silence and immediately denounce Donald Trump's hateful and inadequate response to the Charlottesville attack.

We are living through a moral reckoning, a time when all citizens of our great commonwealth and nation are called to defend the most fundamental values of our democracy. We ask you to immediately stand up, loudly and clearly, against those who would condone violence and hatred.

As Americans, Jews, and Virginians, we urge you to join us and immediately condemn the President's dog-whistle defense of Nazism.

Senate Democratic Leader **Dick Saslaw**, Sen. **Adam Ebbin**, Del. **Eileen Filler-Corn**, Del. **Marcus Simon**, and Del. **Mark Levine**

BULLETIN BOARD

Submit civic/community announcements at ConnectionNewspapers.com/Calendar. Deadline is Thursday at noon, at least two weeks before event.

THURSDAY/AUG. 31

LGBTQ Students Information. 7-8 p.m. at Dunn Loring Center for Parent Services, 2334 Gallows Road, Entrance 1 - Room 100, Dunn Loring. Program called "Resources for Supporting LGBTQ Students and their Families." Visit FCPS.edu for more.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 2

Open House. 10 a.m.-noon at Patrick Henry Library, 101 Maple Ave. East, Vienna. The Vienna branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) will hold a free, informational open house. AAUW is the nation's leading voice promoting equity and education for women and girls. Membership dues discount. Refreshments. Visit www.aauw.org.

THURSDAY/SEPT. 7

Shepherd's Center Caregivers Support Group. 10-11:30 a.m. at UUCF Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax - Program Building, 2709 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton. This support group is designed for caregivers of adult family members. For more info contact Jack Tarr, 703-821-6838, jtarr5@verizon.net.

Adventures In Learning. 10 a.m.-noon at Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, Program Building, 2709 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton. Open House to see what's on the Shepherd's Center's fall semester of Adventures in Learning. Call 703-281-0538 or visit www.scov.org.

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The Freeman Store & Museum
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Bingo Night. Sundays. 4 p.m. Flame Room, Vienna Volunteer Fire Department, 400 Center St. S, Vienna. \$10. www.vvfd.org/bingo.html.

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 flexibility, improve breathing and health, reduce stress. Ravi Kaur has 15 years experience teaching yoga. \$15 per session. www.edimprovement.org. 571-213-3192.

SEPT. 2-3

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TUESDAY/SEPT. 5

Lecture on Downton Abbey. 12:15 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church, 1205 Dolley Madison Blvd., McLean. The McLean Woman's Club presents food and travel writer CiCi Williamson describing the food and its preparation on the 6-year show, along with the history of Highclere Castle, where the filming took place. Free. visit www.mcleanwomansclub.org or call 703-556-0197.

WEDNESDAY/SEPT. 6

McLean Newcomers and Neighbors. 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Community Room, Regency at McLean, 1800 Old Meadow Road, McLean. Visit www.McLeanNewcomers.org.

SEPT. 7-9

Quarterly Book Sale. 11 a.m.-8 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Tyson's Library, 7700 and 7704 Leesburg Pike. Large selection of books and media for all ages and interests. Visit tysonslibraryfriends@gmail.com or 703-338-3307.

FRIDAY/SEPT. 8

Dave & Buster's Adventure. 3:30-10 p.m. leaving from The Old Firehouse, 1440 Chain Bridge Road, McLean. 7th- through 9th-graders, teens will have all access to Dave & Buster's private dinner buffet and a \$25 game card with unlimited arcade game play is included in the trip fee. \$55/\$45 MCC district residents. Visit www.mcleancenter.org.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 9

Virginia Indian Festival. 10 a.m. at Riverbend Park, 8700 Potomac Hills St., Great Falls. Activities include hands-on activities and live demonstrations such as American Indian storytelling, shooting bow and arrows, throwing spears and making stone tools. Additional activities include building a dugout canoe, and a visit to a marketplace of American Indian crafts, pottery and jewelry. \$8. Call 703-759-9018 or visit online at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/riverbend-park.

SEPT. 9-20

Northern Virginia Senior Olympics. Various times and locations, more than 50 different events taking place at more than 25 venues across Northern Virginia. Call 703-403-5360 or visit www.nvso.us.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 10

The Old Dominion Chrysanthemum Society. 2:30 p.m. at the Falls Church Community Center, 223 Little Falls St., Falls Church. A discussion and demonstration on preparing and presenting Mums for a flower show. Free. Call 703-560-8776 or visit www.odscmums.org.

WEDNESDAY/SEPT. 13

Riverboat Cruise. 10-11:30 a.m. at Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna (SCOV) 541 Marshall Road SW, Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna hosts day trip to Georgetown Harbor via riverboat cruise from Alexandria to Georgetown for shopping, exploring and lunch. Will return by



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Live after Five. 6-9 p.m. at Jammin Java, 227 Maple Ave. E, Vienna. Hors d'oeuvres and local musicians highlight the tour. Visit www.jamminjava.com.

SEPT. 14-16

Fall Book Sale. Various times at Oakton Community Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. Free. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/friends/ok/ or call 703-281-0300.

FRIDAY/SEPT. 15

Chillin' on Church. 6:30 p.m. at Church St., Vienna. Water games, Chump Change band playing rock. Visit www.viennava.gov or call 703-255-6360.

Family Fun Bingo. 7-9 p.m. at The Old Firehouse, 1440 Chain Bridge Road, McLean. Players can win prizes, play guessing games and enjoy light refreshments. Advance registration is required. Visit www.mcleancenter.org.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 16

McLean Community Fall Garage Sale. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the parking lot, 1420 Beverly Road, McLean. This year's sale features a Kids' Corner area where children will sell their toys, clothes, games and other items. The deadline to register is Wednesday, Sept. 13. Visit www.mcleancenter.org.

John Eaton in Concert. 2 p.m. at Vinson Hall Auditorium, 6251 Old Dominion Drive, McLean. Jazz pianist, brilliant historian and local legend John Eaton will perform a concert of Great American Songbook tunes. \$20/\$14 MCC district residents. Visit www.mcleancenter.org.

Food Art Festival. noon- 4 p.m. at Halstead Square Dunn Loring Metro, 2750 Gallows Road, Vienna. The Second Annual Halstead Square Dunn Loring Metro Food, Wine & Art Festival combines wine tastings, culinary treats, pop up art exhibits, and free kids activities for an afternoon of family fun. Free. Visit eventsathalsteadsquare.com.

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