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Mallory Bowling and her father, Jay Johnson at the grave site of Col. Charles Broadwater, his son and grandson at the corner of Tapawingo Road and Frederick Street.

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**Public Hearing on the
McLean Community Center's
FY 2020 Budget
(July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020)**



**McLean Community Center
Governing Board**

Wednesday, Sept. 26, 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. The draft budget proposal is available on the Center's website. Copies will be available at 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. 22.

 **The McLean Community Center**
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VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna Police Department from Aug. 10 – Aug. 16, 2018.

INCIDENTS

Forgery — 600 Block Frederick Street, SW Between June 30 at 12 a.m. and July 6 at 11:59 p.m. A resident reported that a family member had stolen some of his checks then fraudulently forged and cashed them.

Animal Case – Quarantine — 500 Block Woodland Court, NW July 29, 9 p.m. A resident's daughter was bitten by a dog they recently adopted. The resident has turned ownership of the dog over to a relative in Delaware. ACO Barker notified the Sussex County, Delaware Animal Control who will follow up with a quarantine on the dog.

Police Service — Sunoco Gas Station 102 Maple Avenue, West Aug. 5, 9:30 p.m. An employee advised a driver filled their gas tank, paid for the gas, then drove away with the nozzle still in their vehicle.

Suspicious Event — 600 Tazewell Road, NW Aug. 10, 12 p.m. A resident believes her computer may have been hacked after she sought online assistance for some computer issues. The resident reported some of her files, including tax files, are now missing from her computer.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated — Nutley Street near the Route 66 east-bound ramp Aug. 11, 2:45 a.m. PFC Williams observed a vehicle with defective equipment and initiated a traffic stop. Upon the officer's interaction with the driver, he detected signs of impairment and observed an open container of alcohol in the vehicle. The man failed to successfully complete a series of sobriety tests and was placed under arrest. He was transported to the Vienna Police station where he was given the opportunity to provide a sample of his breath for analysis, however, he refused. PFC Williams transported the 25-year-old man from Seminary Road in Alexandria to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. The man was charged with Driving While Intoxicated, Operating a Vehicle with an Open Container of Alcohol and Refusal.

Trespassing — Whole Foods 143 Maple Avenue, East Aug. 12, 8:57 p.m. An employee reported a man who was disorderly and confrontational with other customers. Officers spoke to the man who agreed to leave the property.

Vehicle Tampering — 300 Block Windover Avenue, NW Aug. 13 between 12 a.m. and 7 a.m. A resident advised someone entered his unlocked vehicle and rummaged through it. A children's ball cap and some loose change were missing.

Police Service — Oak Street, SW Aug. 13, 2:56 a.m. Officers responded to check on the welfare of a juvenile who had made concerning statements on the telephone to an ex-boyfriend. The juvenile and her father met with the officers, and it was determined the juvenile was not in need of immediate assistance. Plans were made with the father to seek treatment for his daughter the following day.

Police Service — 300 Block Park Street, NE Aug. 13, 7:30 p.m. Officers responded to a welfare check on a resident. The resident's sister was concerned after her brother made alarming statements to a friend. MPO Shaw transported the resident to an area facility where an Emergency Custody Order was issued, and the man was held for evaluation and treatment.

Fraud — 300 Block Maple Avenue, West Aug. 14, 11 a.m. A doctor was notified by two pharmacies in Maryland informing him that an unknown man was using his name on fraudulent prescriptions in an attempt to obtain medication.

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All done. Time to say “Thanks” to everyone who helped make the Shop with a Sheriff event at Target in Burke a wonderful experience. Shelter House executive director and CEO Joe Meyer does just that and gets ready to round up his gang.



Target employees Kathy, Adrienne and Lisa accept a plaque from Sheriff Kincaid, thanking the retailer and their associates for many years of support for the Shop with The Sheriff program.

Shop with The Sheriff Adventure

PHOTOS BY ANDREA WORKER/THE CONNECTION

Sheriff’s Office partners with children living in area family shelters for back-to-school shopping.

BY ANDREA WORKER
THE CONNECTION

The first day of school can be as anxiety-filled as it is a time of excitement and anticipation. The scales, however, tend to tip towards the negative when you are a student living not in your own home, but in a family shelter instead. The baggage you bring with you to the classroom is a lot more than a backpack filled with school supplies and you often haven’t had the pleasure and privilege of loading up on new clothing and paraphernalia to bolster your confidence as you walk through those school front doors.

For the last 27 years, the Fairfax County Sheriff’s Department has hosted its annual “Shopping with the Sheriff” event at Target to give those children the basics — and a few extras, too — to alleviate some of those anxieties and help get them off to a great start for the school year.

“This is one of the highlights of what we get to do,” said Fairfax County Sheriff Stacey Kincaid. “It’s a joyful part of our summer.”

Kincaid praised the county’s efforts to end and prevent homelessness, but says that until all children are living in safe and permanent housing, the “Sheriff’s Office will continue to do its best to make their lives a little bit easier.”

THE SHERIFF’S OFFICE partners each year with Target and other sponsors, and solicits donations to provide each child with \$250 in gift cards to purchase clothing, undergarments, shoes, accessories, and school supplies.

This year’s shopping extravaganza took place on Aug. 14, with about 40 children from the Katherine K. Hanley, Patrick Henry



Lt. Ricardo R.A. Evans helps his partner Jamaury find just the right cap. “The Star Wars ones are the best,” insisted the 8 year-old. Evans obviously enjoyed the shopping outing. Evans took some good-natured ribbing from his colleagues when their cart-filled with new shoes, underwear, shirts, school supplies – and that Star Wars cap – rang up just a tad over the \$250 allowance. Not to worry. Everything Jamaury chose still went home with him.

and Next Steps family shelters participating.

“Some of the kids were so excited, they didn’t really sleep last night,” reported Joe Meyer, the executive director and CEO of Reston-based Shelter House, the nonprofit that operates both the Hanley and the Henry shelters. Meyer said that the result of Shopping with the Sheriff was more than just the children “getting some new things. It’s also about helping maintain their dignity and their pride.”

Before starting their shopping spree, the kids, aged 5 and up, were treated to a Paisano’s pizza party at the Fairfax County



Nirvana and her sheriff shopping buddy Deputy Martha Heyward really bonded during their shopping spree. “She’s the best,” proclaimed Nirvana.

court house where they engaged in some fun activities that helped them get acquainted with the deputy or the support staff member who would be their shopping partner.

Lunch and introductions over, it was time to shop. Escorted by official vehicles, some flashing lights, and a quick sound of a horn, or two, the yellow school bus carrying the young shoppers arrived at Target in Burke, where more Sheriff’s Office staff, Target representatives, and some VIPs were waiting to welcome them. Del. Eileen Filler-Corn (D-41) was on hand, as was Braddock District Supervisor John Cook.

A few welcoming speeches and instructions later, and well-organized chaos ensued as the shopping teams grabbed carts and began making their selections.

The law enforcement personnel who accept Shop with the Sheriff duties all volunteer their time, but Kincaid said it’s not too difficult to get willing participants from



Lt.Col. Sites gives his pal Dante a trolley ride during the Shop with the Sheriff event. “Which way to the jeans?” was Dante’s only navigational instructions.

among her officers and staff.

“I am so glad to do this,” said PFC Kanli. It was obvious that she was enjoying helping 9 year-old Kayden choose his new duds. “These kids deserve our help to make things just a little bit better for them.”

Kincaid also sees this event as an opportunity to build relationships with these children, some of whom may have had previous interactions with law enforcement during difficult circumstances. The Sheriff hopes that spending this time together will encourage the youngsters to “see us as being here to help them, as people they can turn to.”

“They have things to say, things to share,” remarked Deputy Martha Heyward, as she smiled down on 6 year-old Nirvana who was clutching her cart, already holding some spiffy new sneakers, “socks with pom-poms!” and other essentials.

Needless to say, the sight of dozens of deputies wandering the aisles took a few of the Target patrons by surprise.

“This has got to be the safest place to be right now in the whole county,” laughed

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OPINION

Celebrating Women's Equality

BY JUDY HELEIN AND ANU SAHAI
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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
OF THE FAIRFAX AREA

On Aug. 26, our nation celebrates Women's Equality Day. This day recognizes the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, giving women the right to vote.

Many fearless and dedicated women suffered jail time, physical assaults by the police and spectators (at demonstrations), as well as insults, during the struggle for voting rights. This struggle spanned more than seven decades. However,

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it was not until 1973 that Congress by resolution designated this day as "Women's Equality Day."

The League of Women Voters was founded in 1920 by Carrie Chapman Catt, president of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, during its convention which was held six months before the ratification. She was a women's rights activist and a suffragist, who stated correctly that the vote was the "emblem of equality" for all citizens, women and men.

The League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area (LWVFA) celebrates the fact that in 2018 there are 38 female legislators in the General Assembly as compared to 24 in 2015, an increase of 14. Although the LWVFA does not endorse any candidates, we recognize this his-

torical achievement. The LWVFA is a non-partisan organization. It provides voter services such as voter registration for first time voters, updating registration for people who have moved or had name changes and citizen education. LWVFA also advocates and takes action at the state and local levels for particular policies that are in the public interest such as Election Reform, Voting Rights, Redistricting Reform, Firearms Safety, Transportation and Behavioral Health. To learn more about the League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area, please go to its website, www.lwv-fairfax.org.

The League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area is a non-partisan political organization that encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues.

Stop Isolating the Children

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

The federal administration policy of breaking up families as an intentional strategy aimed at refugee families has shocked the conscience of most Americans. Taking innocent children out of the arms of their mothers or fathers and shuffling them off to a "facility" without any explanation or known plans for their future has to be one of the cruelest acts of the federal government ever and is completely abhorrent to the moral standards of most Americans.

At the same time we condemn these evil acts of a misdirected federal agency and work in every way in the courts and through the ballot box to get these policies changed, it is important that the subject of isolating children be viewed in its larger context.

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As more is learned about the traumatic effects separation and isolation can have on the future emotional stability, mental health, and behavior of children, the necessity of reforming the way that our juvenile justice system functions becomes obvious.

Information gathered by The Commonwealth Institute shows that almost three-quarters of youth who have been held in the state's juvenile prisons are convicted of another crime within three years of release. Data shows the longer a child is held in a facility the more likely it is they will commit a crime. (www.thecommonwealthinstitute.org)

I recently talked with Valerie Slater who heads RISE for Youth: United Families, Safe Communities on my television show "Virginia Report." Listen to that conversation on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...). She points



out that racial disparities in Virginia's juvenile system are higher than the national average. In Virginia, black youth are seven times more likely to be incarcerated than their white peers, and youth of Latino heritage are 2½ times more likely to be incarcerated than their white peers. Likewise, the higher the rate of poverty in their community the more likely children are to be sent to youth prisons.

As Valerie wrote recently, "we must dismantle, once and for all, the systems that allow the institutionalization of children. The best way to protect and rehabilitate children is to ensure their parents are the foundation of their support, whether in their homes, communities or suitable community-based environments. There are community-based alternatives to youth prisons that work better,

cost less, and help young people get the support they need to get back on track." (www.riseforyouth.org)

At the recent meeting of the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) I learned of the important work being done by a committee in NCSL to identify the principles that states should adhere to in reforming their juvenile justice systems. It is being demonstrated in states that it is possible to reform the system to reduce crime and recidivism, enhance public safety, and produce good citizens from those who in the past may have been referred to as criminals. I am pleased that Virginia is making improvements, but we must stay vigilant to continue progress.

As a nation of high moral standards, we must insist that the youngest and most vulnerable among us have an opportunity to succeed even if they are in our poorest communities or seeking asylum for their safety among us.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

An Open Letter to Representative Comstock

Representative Comstock:

I am a lifelong Republican and voted for you in the past two elections, but I feel compelled to speak up about what is happening to our country.

After more than 18 months in office our President continues to assault our democracy on almost a daily basis.

Whether it's defending Russia and their attack on our elections, alienating our allies, attacking immigrant families, obstructing justice, sully the reputation of the country and the presidency at

home and around the world, or now, trying to punish those who speak out against his actions, this President appears willing to use whatever power is available for his own personal aggrandizement and protection. This is made much worse by the fact that the organization charged with primary responsibility for checking this abuse of power, the U. S.

Congress, is apparently missing in action. It is far past time for our representatives in government to speak out against these abuses and to let this administration

know that they must operate in the interests of the entire country, not only their personal desires and those of the minority that constitutes their "base".

I recognize that the midterm elections are approaching and that there may be some political risk associated with standing up to President Trump, but I sincerely hope that your primary motivation in seeking office is to do what is best for our country and not what is most likely to win an election. It's time to do the right thing and to speak out forcefully against this

administration and to exercise your oversight powers. I, and I believe many other Republicans, are looking to our elected representatives to actually "represent."

If you feel compelled to follow the "lead" of this president rather than try to help steer the Ship of State in a more democratic, and frankly more American, direction, we will have no choice but to send a clear message in November that we are more than dissatisfied with our representation.

David Pope
Great Falls

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Oakton Farmers Market. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays year round at Unity of Fairfax Church, 2854 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton. Visit community-foodworks.org.

Great Falls Farmers Market. Saturdays, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 778 Walker Road, Great Falls. Email kathleen@greatfallsfarmersmarket.org.

McLean Farmers Market. Fridays, 8 a.m. to noon now to Nov. 16. 1659 Chain Bridge Road, McLean.

THURSDAY/AUG. 23

Games at Riverbend Park. 4:30-6 p.m. at Riverbend Park, 8700 Potomac Hills St., Great Falls. Looking for new ways to keep children entertained this summer? Play traditional Eastern Woodland Indian games of skill and luck that were popular when first Europeans reached this area. Enjoy the tradition of oral storytelling and make a game to take home. Ages 4-adult. \$12 per person. Children must be accompanied by an adult registered for the program. Call 703-759-9018 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/riverbend.

SoberRide Fundraiser. 6-9 p.m. at Glory Days Grill, 3059 Nutley St. SW, Fairfax. The Washington Regional Alcohol Program's (WRAP) third-annual "Football & Fundraising" event features former Washington Redskin Gary Clark, a sports memorabilia silent auction and door prizes. Open to the public. Visit www.wrap.org for tickets.

Nottoway Nights. 7:30-8:30 p.m. at Nottoway Park, 9537 Courthouse Road, Vienna. Featuring The Amish Outlaws (Amish cover band). Bring blankets and chairs and enjoy music every Thursday evening at Nottoway Park. Free. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performance/nottoway-nights.

FRIDAY/AUG. 24

River Fishing by Boat. 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Riverbend Park, 8700 Potomac Hills St., Great Falls. Fish for smallmouth bass and sunfish from a canoe or boat with an introductory class on boating and fishing basics. No previous experience paddling or rowing is required. Boats and personal flotation devices (PFDs), fishing rods and bait are provided. Designed for participants age 5 to adult. Maximum of three participants per boat, one of whom must be 16 or older. \$16 per person, and each participant must register. Call 703-759-9018 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/riverbend.

Theater Under the Stars. 8 p.m. at the Vienna Town Green, 144 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. The Town of Vienna offers "Paddington 2" on the Big Screen on the Green at 8 p.m. Friday, August 24. The 2017 movie, which is rated PG, follows the adventures of Paddington the bear, who spreads marmalade and joy wherever he goes. Bring blankets and lawn chairs. Free popcorn and water will be available while supplies last. Rain date: Sunday, Aug. 26. Free admission. Visit www.viennava.gov.

SUNDAY/AUG. 26

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TUESDAY/AUG. 28

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WEDNESDAY/SEPT. 5

Newcomers & Neighbors Coffee. 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at in the Community Room of the Regency at McLean, 1800 Old Meadow Road, McLean. The McLean Newcomers and Neighbors will host a coffee for members and people who might be interested in joining. Visit www.McLeanNewcomers.org or email McLeanNewcomers@yahoo.com.

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Lahey Lost Valley Open House. Noon-3 p.m. at historic Lahey Lost Valley property, 9750 Brookmeadow Drive, Vienna. The Fairfax County Park Authority (FCPA) is preparing the historic Lahey Lost Valley property for the Resident Curator Program. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/resident-curator-program or Stephanie Langton at 703-324-8791.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 9

A Doggone Good Time. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at Water Mine Family Swimmin' Hole at Lake Fairfax Park, 1400 Lake Fairfax Drive, Reston. The Water Mine will go to the dogs with a season-ending event benefiting the Fairfax County Animal Shelter and Fairfax County Park Foundation. Dogs can swim in Rattlesnake River and splash in the playground area for a suggested donation of \$10 per dog. A low-cost rabies clinic will be available in Lake Fairfax Park's Main Office from noon-2 p.m. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/rec/watermine/ or call 703-324-8662.

Countdown Concerts in the Park: Superfly Disco. 5 p.m. in the McLean Central Park Gazebo, 1468 Dolley Madison Blvd., McLean. The McLean Community Center prepares for the reopening of the Ingleside Avenue facility. Visit www.mcleancenter.org/alden-theatre/.

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Middle Eastern Food Festival Returns Sept. 1

BY ALEXANDRA GREELEY
THE CONNECTION

For most Americans, Labor Day weekend marks a major change — vacation is over, kids are heading back to school, and the outdoor grilling season is just about over. For devoted foodies who love handmade treats, freshly grilled meats, and a festive atmosphere, one area destination provides family fun, frolic, and food in one appealing setting: the Middle Eastern Food Festival at McLean's Holy Transfiguration Melkite-Greek Catholic Church.

Hosted by the parish as an area family favorite, the festival is celebrating 25 years of bringing the Middle East cultures and foods together to celebrate life and brotherhood. Crowds attend, because besides the fun and frolic, the food rules.

After all, this is a food festival, and consider what's on the menu: roasted lamb dinner; kibbeh platter; vegetable platter; sandwiches such as beef-lamb shawarma and falafel; and ala carte dishes that range from spinach pie, hummus, and stuffed grape leaves to several more offerings. To wrap it up, guests have a choice among numerous Arabic sweets (also available for take-home) plus American and Arabic coffee.

One of the big draws during the festival is the grilled meats that turn up in the roast lamb dinner and among several other entrée and sandwich offerings. Of course, the smoky aroma coming from the grill out back of the parish hall sparks appetites for sure. Manning the fires this year as in years past is Robert Salem, who admits he is not a professional grill master, just doing what he loves. "I have been running the grill for 5 or so years," he said. "I just have home experience, but I get great joy when I cook for people ... There is love in what we do."

As Salem noted, the recipes are all family favorites, his and other parishioners' families, and everything is done fresh and by hand.

"When we make the kefta, sometimes I have formed all the patties on my own," he said. "I mix, and form, and grill." He added that he uses his mother's recipe, but really as a guideline. "I don't measure the ingredients. We spice to taste, then mix and taste and mix again."

The most popular grilled meat is the beef-lamb shawarma, and the chicken comes next. "The kefta is my favorite," he said, "now that I am using my



PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

Manning the grill last year at Holy Transfiguration's Middle Eastern Food Festival are, from left: Robert Salem, Omar Samaha, Marks Brubaker and Matt Leiva.

Kefta

A Middle Eastern favorite, kefta consists of ground beef and/or lamb that is seasoned and shaped into a patty or into a sausage shape. The meat can be grilled, fried, or baked. Plan to serve the meat on a pita bread with onions, spice, chopped tomatoes, and tahini sauce. This recipe is Robert Salem's creation.

Serves 6 to 8
1 pound ground beef
1 pound ground lamb
1 large onion, peeled and chopped
1 cup chopped parsley
2 to 3 teaspoons ground cinnamon or allspice
2 teaspoons salt

Combine all ingredients in a mixing bowl. Taste for the right seasoning. Form the meat into hot dog lengths. Wrap in the pita with seasoning, tahini, and chopped tomatoes, and form into a roll.

momma's recipe," adding that in the past the kitchen served lamb on the spit. Now, the lamb is oven-roasted, but still very popular.

As he concluded, the festival serves thousands of guests, starting at 11 a.m. Saturday for a full 12 hours. Sunday's eating starts after morning liturgy, and ends earlier than Saturday hours. "God willing," he concluded, "we have good weather."

Holy Transfiguration Melkite Greek Catholic Church, 8501 Lewinsville Rd., McLean, Va. 703-734-9566. Admission and parking are free. This year the festival runs from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 1 and then will be held again on Sunday, September 2 from midday until early evening.

AREA ROUNDUPS

Comstock Accepting Applicants for 2018 Congressional App Challenge

U.S. Rep. Barbara Comstock (R-10) announced that her office is accepting applications for the 2018 Congressional App Challenge. The Congressional App Challenge is a competition for high school students that provides them the opportunity to join with their peers to create their own apps and learn how to code.

The Congressional App Challenge runs through Oct. 15, 2018, challenging high school students to design and create an original app for submission. Eligible high school students in Virginia's 10th Congressional District may enter this challenge as individuals or groups of not more than

four students and will be judged by a panel chosen by the Office of Congresswoman Barbara Comstock. The submitted app can be on any topic, provided it is original, appropriate, and has been made within the last year. For more information, visit <https://comstock.house.gov/services/congressional-app-challenge>.

Used Book Sale

The McLean Branch of American Association of University Women (AAUW) will hold 49th Annual Used Book Sale on Aug. 31, 9 a.m. - 7 p.m., Sept. 1, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., and Sept. 2, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. It will be held at the Spring Hill Recreation Center, 1239 Spring Hill Road, McLean, VA 22102. Forty thousand books, CDs, DVDs, and records will be available for sale. On Sunday, most books are \$10 a bag.

Credit cards will be accepted. Proceeds provide scholarships for women.

BULLETIN

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

VOTER REGISTRATION AND ID EVENTS

The Fairfax County Office of Elections
(12000 Government Center Parkway Suite 323, Fairfax) is open daily during normal business hours to provide county residents the opportunity to register to vote or obtain a free voter photo ID if needed. Applicants will need to complete a photo voter ID application, have a photo taken and sign a digital signature pad. Call 703-222-0776.

The following special events will also provide opportunity to register to vote and/or get a photo Virginia Voter card.

- * Monday/Sept. 24, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Goodwin House Bailey's Crossroads, 3440 South Jefferson Street, Falls Church.
- * Thursday/Sept. 27, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Lewinsville Retirement Residence, 1515 Great Falls Street, McLean.
- * Tuesday/Oct. 9, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Arleigh Burke Pavilion at Vinson Hall Retirement Community, 1739 Kirby Road, McLean.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide is looking to expand its team of volunteers for the upcoming tax season. Tax-Aide, now in its 51st year, offers free in-person preparation and assistance to anyone, especially those 50 and older, who can't afford a tax preparation service. Volunteers make a difference in their communities by assisting many older, lower-income taxpayers, and their families, who might otherwise miss out on the tax credits and deductions they've earned. To learn about volunteer opportunities, visit aarpfoundation.org/taxaide or call 1-888-OUR-AARP (1-888-687-2277).

Sheriff

FROM PAGE 3

Carole Miller of Fairfax. Once the activity was explained to her, Miller seemed a bit emotional.

"That's just the nicest thing I have heard or seen in I don't know how long. Bless them all."

AFTER ABOUT AN HOUR of shoe-sizing, holding up pants to check for fit, serious deliberations about the right cap to buy, deputies crawling about looking for size 6 jeans in *that* color and helping to choose which pencil case best matched a glittery binder, the carts rolled to the checkout points and the tallying began. There was some jovial ribbing among the deputies aimed at those who had exceed the \$250 budget, like Lt. Ricardo Evans who was shopping with 8 year-old Jamaury – "Hey, he needed all this stuff!" – but the little extras were kept, even the Barbie Doll that Miss Nirvana couldn't help but proudly show to one and all.

Target still had one more surprise for the young shoppers before they headed off with their bundles; each child also received a backpack filled with a variety of school supplies.

Well-kitted out and having made some new friends in their deputy partners, these young people who have more obstacles than most to overcome, are now ready to start their educational adventure.

For more information about the Shop with The Sheriff program, Sheriff Kincaid invites interested persons to email the Sheriff's Office at sheriff@fairfaxcounty.gov.

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When Did This Happen?



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

I remember conversations regularly occurring between me and some other person, presumably older (if heard over the phone) or in person if my sight and senses didn't deceive me, where the question was asked to me: "You're probably too young to remember?" concerning any number of subjects. Now, I'm asking the identical question, and I don't think my sight or senses are deceiving me, though they are refracted, so to speak.

Somehow, I'd like to believe that despite the obvious passage of time, I am, to quote Bob Dylan from his song "My Back Pages," included on his "Another Side of Bob Dylan" album released in 1964: "Ah, but I was so much older then, I'm younger than that now."

I wish.
I may be wiser and full of perspective, but despite flowery lyrics, I am older – just check the calendar. Father time waits for no man – or woman. As years pass, the pages turn and you simply aren't the person you used to be (or thought you were).

Benjamin Button may have gotten younger (aged in reverse, having been born an old man), but for the rest of us, we may feel that "youth," as they say, "is wasted on the young." Nevertheless, none of us is getting any younger.

Moreover, to quote Charles Franklin: "No one gets out of this life alive." (Although, I swear I remember my late mother attributing that quote to the legendary screen actress, Bette Davis.)

Life goes on is the short version, and through that passage of time, at some point, apparently you're addressed respectively as "Mister" and "Sir," and doors are opened/held, seats are offered and accommodations made. And when I have those random conversations with strangers – to pass that time or even with people with whom you have a familiarity, more and more of those people are younger than I am and I find myself asking/presuming if they know what past event, historical fact, popular culture reference or sports memory, etc., I am even referring to. And as often as not, they don't.

What's odd – or lost on me because I'm loathe to admit it, is that the former "question-ee" – yours truly – has become the current questioner – again yours truly. As is becoming abundant clear, where I was once ascending, I am now descending.

This has nothing to do with my last few cancer columns. It has to do with my birth year: 1954. Meaning, as the birthday card jokes on the front cover "I wouldn't say you were old this year" to the inside-of-the-card slam: "Hell, you were old last year."

It just seems/feels that this juxtaposition of the "space-time continuum" ("Star Trek: Voyager") time/age relative to others has happened in a blink (nanosecond) and that blink is a tell. And no matter what I do to counter that impression, I can't stop it. It seems that tell has become a tell all.

And since I'm telling all, dealing with one's own mortality for as long as I have been: Feb. 27, 2009, the official date of my non-small cell lung cancer diagnosis, has certainly had its share of wear and tear, emotionally and physically.

For me – or for any of you regular readers to think that this unexpected journey has not been fraught with before, during and after side effects – and main effects, up and down and all around, is unrealistic at best and delusional at worst. And since I'm rarely delusional except when it comes to the Boston Red Sox, it must be unrealistic.

But maybe being unrealistic is what has taken me nine years and nearly six months past my original diagnosis. If that's the reason, I see no reason to change now, age notwithstanding, or sitting, however the case may be.

Kenny Lourie is an Advertising Representative for The Potomac Almanac & The Connection Newspapers.

The grave of Col. Charles Broadwater (middle) at the site of the Springfield manor house, where he lived.

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THE CONNECTION



An Unexpected History

Family history surprises descendants of early Vienna settler.

BY CARLYN KRANKING
THE CONNECTION

When Mallory Bowling was in high school, she danced at Cuppett Performing Arts Center in Vienna nearly every day. What she didn't know was that all of those days, she and her parents were driving right past the resting place of her 8th great-grandfather, Colonel Charles Broadwater.

"We would drive right by there and never knew that there was that grave, or certainly that we had any relationship with him," Bowling's mother, Jo Ellen Morell, said.

Bowling found on ancestry.com that she is related to Colonel Charles Broadwater, thought to be the first permanent settler in what is now the Town of Vienna. As Bowling and her parents researched, they learned that Broadwater fought in the French and Indian Wars and was in charge of a recruiting office in Falls Church during the American Revolution. He also served as sheriff of Fairfax County and a Justice of the Fairfax County Court. Broadwater knew George Washington, and both men were selected as delegates to the First Virginia Convention in 1774.

Broadwater's descendants traced their lineage to him through Mabel Mahan, Bowling's father's father's mother. Mahan died when her son was eight years old, so he didn't know much about her. In fact, now, the only thing that Bowling's parents have of hers is a small piece of pottery.

The family went from knowing the least about Mahan, compared to their other ancestors, to knowing the most about her through their research about her lineage.

"It was interesting," said Jay Johnson, Bowling's father. "Through these searches, we were finding out stuff that I never knew about even two generations, three generations back."

This discovery has helped the family feel closer to its roots and understand where they came from.



PHOTO COURTESY OF JO ELLEN MORELL

Mallory Bowling and her father, Jay Johnson at the grave site of Col. Charles Broadwater, his son and grandson at the corner of Tapawingo Road and Frederick St.

Bowling said she wants to pass this information on to her future children and grandchildren.

After years of driving past Broadwater's grave without knowing it, Bowling said she and her family are now going to visit regularly to pay their respects.

"Now that we know where their grave sites are, it's something that we're going to make sure is maintained, and really honor them by bringing flowers on things like Veterans Day and Memorial Day," Bowling said. "We have a lot of ancestors that we don't know where their graves are located, and the ones that we do, a lot of them are not anywhere remotely close, so this is very special to have."



Viet Fest 2017

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Participants in the crawfish eating contest sponsored by Hot N Juicy Crawfish. The Viet Fest 2018 was held Aug. 11-12 at the Plaza at Tysons Corner Center.



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

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Welfare Check — Cottage Street, SW Aug. 15, 8:14 p.m. A welfare check was requested for a woman who was upset after an argument with her ex-boyfriend and was last seen driving on Cottage Street. PFC Williams located the woman and, after speaking with her, determined no further police assistance was needed.

Domestic Dispute — Center Street, South Aug. 16, 8:36 p.m. A resident reported a verbal dispute he had with his brother over the phone.

CRASHES

Park Street at Moore Avenue, SE — Aug. 9, 4:24 p.m. Vehicle-2 was stopped at the stop sign on southbound Park Street at Moore Avenue. Vehicle-1 was

traveling southbound on Park Street approaching the intersection and failed to stop before striking the rear of Vehicle-2. Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention. 300 Block Mill Street, NE — Aug. 9, 5:19 p.m. A vehicle was left legally parked in a parking lot when it was struck by an unknown vehicle.

Cottage Street and Kingsley Road, SW — Aug. 10, 1:28 p.m. Vehicle-2 was traveling east on Kingsley Road. After stopping at the stop sign, Driver-2 continued through the intersection. Vehicle-1 was traveling north on Cottage Street, entered the intersection without the right of way, and struck Vehicle-2. Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

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2018-2019

Bikers on the W&OD: Following the trail through the Town, you pass many Vienna landmarks: the community center, the Town Green, the historic Freeman Store and Museum, the iconic red caboose, the historic train depot and Caboose Brewery on the other end of Town.

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VIEWPOINTS

What's the Best Part of Living in Vienna/Oakton?

These interviews have been edited and condensed.

—CARLYN KRANKING



Susan Fay, Vienna resident of 19 years

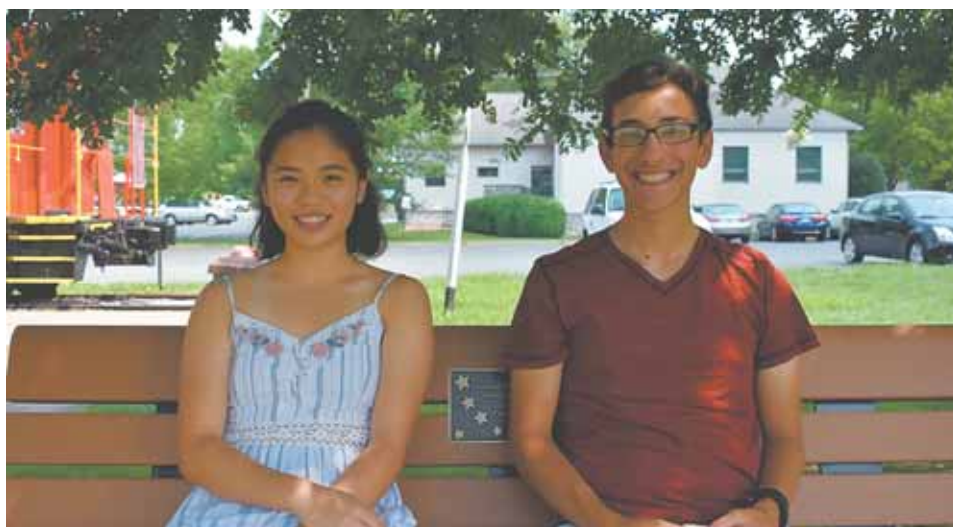
"This is a unique little place; it's a little hometown feel in this large county. I don't live in the town proper, I live outside the town, but I still feel it. There's a pulse and a vibe, and you don't get that everywhere."

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Fred "Cotton" Via, Vienna resident of 62 years

"It's a nice place for a family to grow up. It's a great place for sports, a great place for kids. The Metro's close. I love the big buildings going up. Being a builder, I like to see progress."



Sharon Ng, Vienna resident of 1 year and Joseph Rubin, Oakton resident of 12 years

"I have a lot of friends who all go to Madison, so it's a community that's right around the school, so that's really nice," Rubin said.

"I really like how it's just a Metro ride from the nation's capital. Whenever I have friends visiting me, I always just take them to D.C.," Ng said. "It's a really nice place to be."

So Much to Do in Hunter Mill District

BY SUPERVISOR CATHERINE M. HUDGINS
(D-HUNTER MILL DISTRICT)

Welcome to Fairfax County and to Hunter Mill District. To help orientate you, it is useful to remember much of life in Hunter Mill is shared with the greater community of Fairfax. I am glad you have chosen our area to be your home. It is a wonderful, vibrant, diverse place that is safe, family friendly, convenient, and loaded with fun things to do whether it be shopping in Reston Town Center or engaging in various outdoor activities in one of our renowned parks. Throughout the county and the district, we enjoy parks and trails, a first class education system, and excellent libraries.

Wondering about the best things about living here? Let's do quick scan of several enticing Hunter Mill services, projects and programs.

Parks in the Hunter Mill District are among of the jewels of the Fairfax County Park Authority.

Lake Fairfax Park is a destination location providing 476 acres of parkland. You'll find a wide range of family-friendly activities and the necessary facilities to make your visit to Lake Fairfax a memorable multi-day experience. Visitors can enjoy the Water Mine family water park, family and group campgrounds, a skate park, a pump track, several hiking and mountain biking trails, and athletic fields. Lake Fairfax is also home to a wide variety of classes, camps, and special events, including a PirateFest.

Frying Pan Farm Park preserves and interprets farm life of the 1920s to 1950s. On this working farm, you can visit the farm animals, take a wagon ride or hike through the fields and woods, explore the historic Meeting House and cemetery, watch the jumpers in equestrian facilities, and satisfy your sweet tooth with penny candy from the Country Store. In the summer, bring your blanket to enjoy the Hunter Mill Melodies free concert series with performances for the kids on Wednesday mornings and family-friendly Thursday night concerts.

One of the most innovative projects underway is the new upper school for McNair Elementary School. With the tremendous need of new facilities for the growing number of students, Fairfax County Public Schools is planning a new, more vertical building for upper grades to accompany the current McNair Elementary School. And, even more exciting, the new facility will incorporate space for County agencies that provide needed services to the students and families in the area. This community-school concept co-locates human services in the one place where most families are – their local school. In addition, the community benefits from the use of space for pre-kindergarten enrichment, sports, meeting space for scouts, community organizations, and special events.

Given the highly diverse population of Hunter Mill, the 2018 resuming of the sis-



Before winning the Major League Baseball 2018 Home Run Derby later the same day, Bryce Harper of the Washington Nationals took time to open the newly renovated baseball fields at the Bryce Harper All-Star Complex at Fred Crabtree Park. A partnership with Major League Baseball, the Park Authority, and Reston Little League culminated with the opening of two upgraded baseball fields complete with new dugouts, batting cages, and lights for community use.

terhood partnership with Neyri, Kenya was gladly received. A delegation from Kenya arrived in Reston early June. They toured Reston Town Center and thoroughly enjoyed the view, the people and the food. They were captivated by Fairfax County and anxious to learn as much as possible. County staff conferred with them on an array of issues ranging from Health, Human Services, Planning and Zoning.

This collaboration will be of mutual benefit to Reston and Nyeri. In addition to sharing ideas and best practices, both localities support the exposure to traditional art and cultural customs as well.

SPEAKING OF TRADITION, small town charm thrives in the Towns of Vienna and Herndon. The W&OD Trail runs through the heart of Vienna, connecting Church Street's historic shops and sites, the Town Green plaza, the newly renovated Community Center, and services at the Town Hall and Police Department. Vienna loves to celebrate with the VivaVienna! Festival, the annual Halloween Parade, 4th of July celebrations, Oktoberfest, Taste of Vienna, and more. Stop by Waters Field for a chili dog and take in the action at the best baseball facility in the area.

With Public Library branches in Vienna, Reston, Tysons, and Herndon you will en-



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joy a plethora of programs, performances, clubs, and events for infants through seniors.

Regarding the Reston Concept and Goals for the New Town, I am happy to report that we are moving towards the fulfillment of Bob Simon's dream for the community.

We have several projects coming online that embody his goals advancing his desire for financial success of the New Town. Private enterprise was always foreseen as a major force in the creation of Reston.° The anticipated development, commercial, cultural, and recreational facilities will make it possible to live, walk to work, and play in a place called Reston.°

Moreover, Hunter Mill is a beautiful area that is easily accessible and manageable. Take transportation, for instance - The Hunter Mill District's streets are laid out in an easy to navigate grid that is accommodating for both novice and experienced drivers. The streets are lined with beautiful landscaping and greenery that make your drive more enjoyable as you travel through the area.

If traffic concerns you, please know that numerous projects are underway designed to reduce congestion and create new accessible routes to your destination, one of them being The Soapstone Connector. When completed, the Soapstone Connector will provide a direct connection between Sunset Hills Road and Sunrise Valley Drive, over the Dulles Toll Road. Also in process is the

replacing of the one lane bridge that carries Hunter Mill Road over Colvin Run. The new bridge will have two lanes and four-foot-wide shoulders, reducing congestion and improving operations and safety.

The combination of our emergency°services, environmental protection, economic growth and development strategies coupled with consumer protection ensures a productive, secure, and friendly community.°With so much happening, how can you keep abreast of current news and developments?

MY OFFICE strives to help with a variety of tools. Subscribe to my monthly electronic newsletter, Hunter Mill Highlights, and news updates following the Board of Supervisors' meetings and special alerts. Just call 703-478-0282 or e-mail huntermill@fairfaxcounty.gov. Delve into a local topic by watching "Connecting with Supervisor Hudgins," my monthly cable show on the County's Channel 16. If you prefer a more personal touch, stop by on one of the First Wednesday events to meet with me one-on-one to discuss your topic. And, for a

one-stop-shop for Hunter Mill facilities, events, land use cases, transportation and more, check out the Hunter Mill District website—www.fairfaxcounty.gov/huntermill.

It is an honor to serve you as your County Supervisor and I look forward to getting to know you.

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How To Vote

Every year is election year in Virginia; mechanics and details of voting require attention to detail.

First, be sure you are registered. Oct. 15 is the deadline to register, and to check your registration. Many voters across the country have discovered that they have been unexpectedly dropped from the voter rolls, so be sure to check at elections.virginia.gov

Absentee Voting in Person Begins Sept. 21

Voting early if you qualify is a good choice.

There are 20 valid reasons to vote absentee in Virginia, including working and commuting to and from home for 11 or more hours between 6 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Election Day. Check the Virginia Department of Elections list to see if you are eligible: <https://www.elections.virginia.gov/casting-a-ballot/absentee-voting/index.html>

There are two ways to vote absentee, in-person and by mail. To do either, you should first check your voter registration status to make sure it is up-to-date.

If you vote absentee in-person you will fill out the application when you arrive at the in-person absentee location.

In Person Absentee Voting, Locations, Dates and Hours

Scheduled to begin Friday, Sept. 21, through Saturday, Nov. 3 at the government center, and Oct. 13-Nov. 3 at the satellite locations.

Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Conference Room 2/3, Fairfax, VA, 22035
Sept. 21-Oct. 12

Closed Monday, Oct. 8, Columbus Day
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Saturdays, Oct. 6-Nov. 3, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Oct. 15-Nov. 3
Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

All Satellite Locations:

Oct. 13 - Nov. 3
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Saturdays: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sundays: Closed

❖ Franconia Governmental Center, 6121 Franconia Road, Alexandria, VA 22310

❖ Lorton Library, 9520 Richmond Highway, Lorton, VA 22079

❖ Mason Governmental Center, 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale, VA 22003

❖ McLean Governmental Center, 1437 Balls Hill Road, McLean, VA 22101



Election Day is Nov. 6, 2018; early voting starts Sept. 21.

❖ Mount Vernon Governmental Center, 2511 Parkers Lane, Alexandria, VA 22306

❖ North County Governmental Center, 1801 Cameron Glen Drive, Reston, VA 20190

❖ Providence Community Center, 3001 Vaden Drive, Fairfax, VA 22031

❖ Sully Governmental Center, 4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly, VA 20151

❖ West Springfield Governmental Center, 6140 Rolling Road, Springfield, VA 22152

Absentee Voting By Mail

To track the status of your absentee ballot application and ballot, you can view your Virginia Voter Record, <https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation>

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You can apply for your absentee ballot online, <https://vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation>

Or print, complete, and sign the absentee ballot application (PDF), <https://www.elections.virginia.gov/Files/Forms/VoterForms/VirginiaAbsenteeBallotApplication.pdf>

Absentee ballot applications are also available for in-person visits at county governmental centers as well as Fairfax County library branches. Send in the completed application: Scan then email the application to absenteeballot@fairfaxcounty.gov or mail the application to the Office of Elections at Box 10161, Fairfax, VA 22038 or Fax the application to the Office of Elections at 703-324-3725. Once your completed application is received and accepted, your

absentee ballot will be sent to you in three business days. If you have questions about your ballot, call the Office of Elections at 703-222-0776 (TTY 711).

Absentee ballots must be returned to the Office of Elections by 7 p.m. on Election Day, Nov. 6, 2018 in order to be counted,

Virginia Voter ID

Acceptable forms of valid identification: Virginia driver's license, Virginia DMV-issued photo ID, United States passport, Employer-issued photo ID, Student photo ID issued by a school, college, or university located in Virginia, Other U.S. or Virginia government-issued photo ID, Tribal enrollment or other tribal photo ID, Virginia Voter Photo ID card

Need a Photo ID?

If you don't have an ID, go to your voter registration office to get a free Voter Photo ID, even on Election Day. You will be required to complete an photo ID application, have your photo taken and to sign a digital signature pad.

Forgot photo ID on Election Day?

If you get to your polling place without acceptable photo ID, you can vote a provisional ballot. You will be given instructions on what to do so your vote can count.

A voter will have until noon on the Friday following the election to deliver a copy of the identification to the local electoral board or to appear in person to apply for a Virginia Voter Photo ID Card. Voters may submit a copy of their ID via fax, email, in-person, or through the mail or commercial delivery service. The copy of the ID must be delivered to the electoral board by noon on Friday, or the provisional ballot cannot be counted.

Also by noon on Friday following the election, the voter may appear in-person in the office of the general registrar, in the locality in which the provisional ballot was cast, and apply for a Virginia Voter Photo ID Card. At the completion of the application process, the voter may request a Temporary Identification Document. This document can be provided to the electoral board for the identification requirement.

Upcoming Events to Register and Get Voter ID

The Office of Elections is open daily during normal business hours to provide residents the opportunity to register to vote or

Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2018

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

To determine whether eligible and registered to vote in this election, visit the Virginia Department of Elections website at elections.virginia.gov/ or call Fairfax Elections office at 703-222-0776.

To vote on Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2018, 6 a.m.-7 p.m. (General Election)

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The following special events will also provide opportunity to register to vote and/or get your photo Virginia Voter card.

❖ Saturday, Sept. 1, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Sherwood Regional Library, 2501 Sherwood Hall Lane, Alexandria, 22306

❖ Tuesday, Sept. 11, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., The Woodlands Retirement Community, 4320 Forest Hill Ct, Fairfax, 22030

❖ Monday, Sept. 17, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., Heatherwood Retirement Community, 9642 Burke Lake Road, Burke, 22015

❖ Wednesday, Sept. 19, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Greenspring Retirement Community, 7410 Spring Village Drive, Springfield, 22150

❖ Tuesday, Sept. 25, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., Burke Health and Rehab Center, 9640 Burke Lake Road, Burke, 22015

❖ Wednesday, Sept. 26, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Herndon Senior Center, 873 Grace St #1, Herndon, 20170

❖ Thursday, Sept. 27, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Lewinsville Retirement Residence, 1515 Great Falls Street, McLean 22101

❖ Saturday, Oct. 6, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Sherwood Regional Library, 2501 Sherwood Hall Lane Alexandria, 22306

❖ Tuesday, Oct. 9, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Arleigh Burke Pavilion at Vinson Hall Retirement Community, 1739 Kirby Road, McLean, 22101

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Herndon, Mayor and Town Council

If you live inside the Town of Herndon, local elections for mayor and Town Council are now in November. These are nonpartisan positions.

<http://www.herndon-va.gov/government/mayor-town-council/town-elections>

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TWO VIRGINIA CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT BALLOT QUESTIONS

State Ballot Question One

Question: Should a county, city, or town be authorized to provide a partial tax exemption for real property that is subject to recurrent flooding, if flooding resiliency improvements have been made on the property?

Present Law

Generally, the Constitution of Virginia provides that all property shall be taxed. The Constitution

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Submit volunteer announcements at ConnectionNewsPapers.com/Calendar.

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide is looking to expand its team of volunteers for the upcoming tax season. Tax-Aide, now in its 51st year, offers free in-person preparation and assistance to anyone, especially those 50 and older, who can't afford a tax preparation service. Volunteers make a difference in their communities by assisting many older, lower-income taxpayers, and their families, who might otherwise miss out on the tax credits and deductions they've earned. To learn about volunteer opportunities, visit aarpfoundation.org/taxaide or call 1-888-OUR-AARP (1-888-687-2277).

Assistance League of Northern Virginia, a volunteer nonprofit, invites community members to join the organization to participate in its Reading Express program. Volunteers provide one-on-one tutoring to first grade students during the school year. To learn more contact VP Membership Mary Gronlund at gronbiz@aol.com or Program Coordinator Lynn Barron at lynnieb517@verizon.net.

STEM Professionals Needed. Help assist K-12 STEM teachers as part of the American Association for the Advancement of Science's STEM Volunteer Program, stemvolunteers.org. Contact Don Rea at 571-551-2488, or donaldrea@aol.com.

Volunteer Adult Mentors Needed. Help assist the Department of Family Services' BeFriendA-Child mentoring program. The mentors provide opportunities for companionship, guidance and support to children who have been abused and neglected, or who are at risk of abuse and neglect. Contact Ibrahim Khalil

at Ibrahim.khalil@fairfaxcounty.gov or 703-324-4547.

RSVP, a volunteer network for seniors seeking service opportunities in and around Fairfax County, Arlington County and the City of Alexandria, offers a wide array of opportunities for volunteers 55 and older. RSVP volunteers enjoy flexible schedules, free accident and liability insurance while serving, optional mileage and meal reimbursement and are invited to volunteer group projects and social gatherings. To sign up for an upcoming orientation, email Carly Hubicki at chubicki@volunteerfairfax.org or call RSVP at 703-403- 5360. To learn more about RSVP, visit www.rsvpnova.org.

Shepherd's Center of McLean-Arlington-Falls Church, 1205 Dolley Madison Blvd., McLean continues to have an urgent need for new volunteers to help area senior citizens get to and from their medical and therapy appointments. To find out more about the Shepherd's Center and how you can volunteer to provide transportation and other services, call the Center at 703-506-2199 or e-mail the Center at info@scmafc.org. The Center's website is www.scmafc.org.

Master Gardener Training. The Fairfax County Master Gardener Association offers plant clinics, home turf training or speakers for homeowner's meetings. Fees vary. Visit fairfaxgardening.org or call MG Help Desk at 703-324-8556 for more.

The **Northern Virginia Long Term Care Ombudsman Program** needs volunteer advocates for residents in nursing homes and assisted living facilities. Contact Lisa Callahan at 703-324-5861, TTY 711 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/olderadultservices/litcombudsman/.

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About the Connection

As your local, weekly newspaper, the Connection's mission is to deliver the local news you need, to help make sense of what is happening in your community, to advocate for community good, to provide a forum for dialogue on local concerns, and to record achievements, milestones and events in the community and people's lives.

Here in our Newcomers and Community Guide, we report on the character of your community, we include details of how to vote in the upcoming elections, information on local government, nonprofits and business organizations, plus tips and tidbits from the community.

We invite newcomers and long-time residents alike to let us know how we're doing and let us know what is going on in your part of the community. If you have questions or ideas, send us an email. We invite you to send letters to the editor or to send an email with feedback about our coverage.

We want to know if someone in your family or your community published a book, started a business, became an Eagle Scout, raised money for a good cause, accomplished some feat like running a marathon, supporting a cause or having art included in an art show. We publish photos and notes about personal milestones and community events, including births, engagements, wed-

dings, anniversaries, awards and obituaries.

We are also interested in events at your church, mosque, synagogue, community center, pool, school, club, etc. Email us a note about the event, being sure to include when and where the photo was taken and the names of all the people who are in a photo.

We also publish notes about news and events from local businesses. Notes about openings, new employees and anniversaries are welcome. It is especially important to us to let people know about events ahead of time in our calendar of events. We appreciate getting notice at least two weeks ahead of the event, and we encourage photos.

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of Virginia also sets out specific types of property that may be exempted from taxation. For example, the Constitution of Virginia allows the General Assembly to permit localities to provide a partial exemption from real estate taxes as an incentive for property owners to make substantial improvements to existing structures by renovating, rehabilitating, or replacing those structures.

Proposed Amendment

The proposed amendment would authorize the General Assembly to allow localities to provide a partial tax exemption for real property that is subject to recurrent flooding, if improvements have been made on the property to address flooding. The General Assembly and participating localities would be allowed to place restrictions or conditions on qualification for the tax exemption.

"YES" vote will authorize the General Assembly to allow localities to provide a partial tax exemption for real property that is subject to recurrent flooding, if improvements have been made on the property to address flooding.

"NO" vote will not allow such a tax exemption.

State Ballot Question Two

Question: Shall the real property tax exemption for a primary residence that is currently provided to the surviving spouses of veterans who had a one hundred percent service-connected, permanent, and total disability be amended to allow the surviving spouse to move to a different primary residence and still claim the exemption?

Present Law

The Constitution of Virginia currently requires the General Assembly to exempt from taxation the principal place of residence of any veteran who has been determined by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to have a 100 percent service-connected, permanent, and total disability. This tax exemption is also provided to the surviving spouse of such a veteran, so long as the surviving spouse continues to occupy that property as the surviving spouse's principal place of residence.

Proposed Amendment

The proposed amendment would allow the surviving

spouse of any veteran who has been determined by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to have a 100 percent service-connected, permanent, and total disability to continue to claim the tax exemption currently provided, even if the surviving spouse moves to a new principal place of residence that is owned by the surviving spouse.

"YES" vote will allow these surviving spouses to move to a new principal place of residence that is owned by the surviving spouse and still claim the tax exemption.

"NO" vote will not allow such surviving spouses to move and still claim the tax exemption.

FAIRFAX COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY BOND

TEXT: "Shall Fairfax County, Virginia, contract a debt, borrow money, and issue bonds in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$182,000,000 to provide funds, in addition to funds from public safety facilities bonds previously authorized, to finance, including reimbursement to the County for temporary financing for, the costs of public safety facilities, including the construction, reconstruction, enlargement, renovation and equipment of civil and criminal justice facilities, police training and operational facilities and stations, fire and rescue training facilities and stations, including fire and rescue stations owned by volunteer organizations, and the acquisition of necessary land?"

\$73 million would be earmarked for improvements to four fire stations — Mount Vernon (\$16 million), Fairview (\$16 million), Gunston (\$13 million), and Seven Corners (\$13 million) — that are all 37 years or older. An additional \$15 million would be used to improve one of the eight volunteer stations that is more than 40 years old.

The Fairfax County Police Department would receive \$59 million: \$18 million to renovate and expand the Mason District Station which was built in 1975; \$18 million to renovate and upgrade its Criminal Justice Academy, and \$18 million to renovate, expand or replace the Police Evidence Storage Building used to store evidence for court cases, and also houses the warrant desk and the victim services section.

The Adult Detention Center needs \$45 million of improvements to three wings, including plumbing, electrical, HVAC, elevator and fire protection systems as well as security and camera equipment. \$5 million would be used to improve the Jennings Judicial Center.



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Bikers on the W&OD.



The historic train depot, just beside the W&OD trail through Vienna.

Highlights of Vienna

BY CARLYN KRANKING
THE CONNECTION

Since I was five years old, I've lived in Vienna: dancing, as a child, on the Town Green during summer concerts, going to summer camps at Nottoway Park and riding the Ferris wheel at the ViVa! Vienna! festival Memorial Day weekend.

Now I'm 19, and for the first time since moving here, I spent an extended amount of time away from Vienna: nine months living in a Chicago suburb for college. Though I enjoyed the new experiences in Illinois, here are a few of the many places I was happy to come home to in Vienna this summer.

W & OD Trail

Though this trail along what formerly was the Washington & Old Dominion Railroad extends far beyond Vienna, I like how scenic the Vienna section of the trail is in contrast to other stretches of the W&OD. Following the trail through the Town, you pass many Vienna landmarks: the community center, the Town Green, the historic Freeman Store and Museum, the iconic red caboose, the historic train depot and Caboose Brewery on the other end of Town.



Jen Morrow, owner of Bards Alley

Cocoa Vienna

When I walk through the door of Cocoa Vienna, the first thing I notice is the smell of chocolate. I've always been impressed with the friendly service here, and while it's hard to choose what to get with such a wide variety of handmade chocolates, I have never been disappointed.

Bards Alley

This corner bookstore on Church Street caught my attention as soon as it opened. Bards Alley offers storytimes for kids and book clubs for adults as well as a wide variety of books. It includes a small cafe to make the bookstore into a place to spend time chatting with friends in addition to finding good reads.

Crepe Amour

Crepe Amour offers a wide selection of extremely satisfying sweet and savory crepes. Employees make the crepes right there at the counter, so you can watch the process as they're prepared for you. Its gelato is the perfect complement to the crepes, and the room provides the perfect atmosphere to eat and relax with friends.



Dima Baldueb, employee of Magnolia Dessert Bar & Coffee

Magnolia Dessert Bar & Coffee

Magnolia actually opened while I was away at school, and when I first saw it, all it took was one Google search for me to realize I had to go there – the pictures I saw of the food had me sold. Magnolia did not disappoint. The food is delicious and, like the whole establishment, is beautiful. Everything is photogenic, from the decorations,



Rose Ramey, a barista at Caffe Amouri

to the food, to the Instagram-worthy floral bathroom walls.

Meadowlark Botanical Gardens

These beautiful botanical gardens are a fun place to walk around and spend time outdoors. I like to go each year to Meadowlark's Winter Walk of Lights, a light display around the botanical gardens that



Crepe Amour employee Emma Knoke prepares a gelato sample for a customer.

What makes the Town feel like home?



Cocoa Vienna co-owner Staci Meruvia prepares a box of chocolates for a customer.

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Some drinks at Magnolia Dessert Bar & Coffee

ends with hot chocolate and roasting marshmallows.

Church Street Pizza

Church Street Pizza is a great, low-key place to spend time with friends or bring the family and enjoy New York style pizza. It's one of the places that my friends and I most like to go to in the Town. They also offer delivery in Vienna, Tysons and Oakton.

Vienna Inn

A true Vienna landmark, the Vienna Inn has a real community vibe. I've seen servers greet people by name as they walk in the door. There are community events posted and kids' drawings hung up, so the place really has a small town feel. The Vienna Inn is famous for its chilli dogs, reportedly selling over 10,000 each month.

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Jeanie and Bill Monroe enjoy an afternoon at Crepe Amour.

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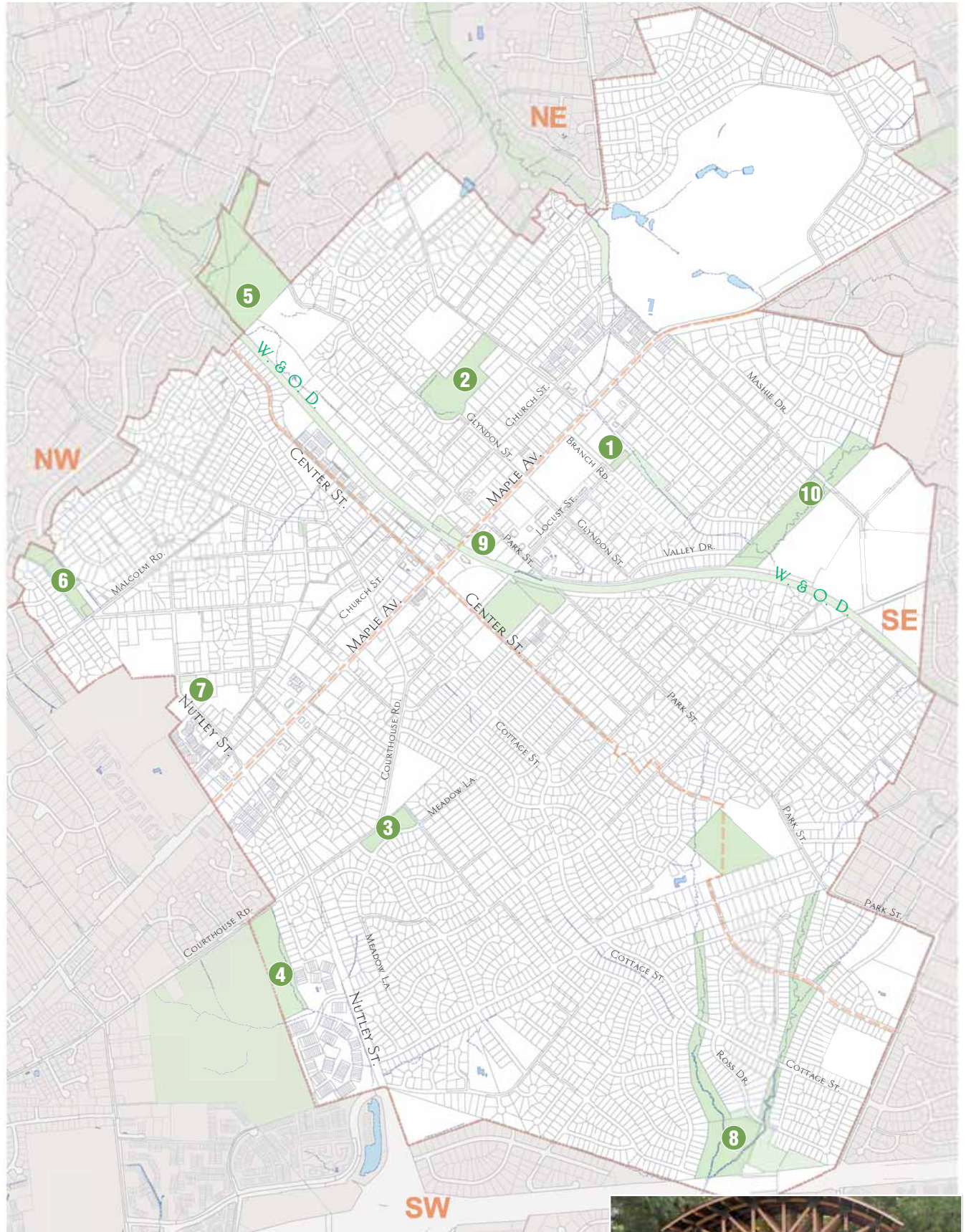
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The entrance to Vienna Town Green is marked by this Veteran's Memorial.



The Little Free Library, which stands in front of Vienna's first library, built in 1897. It was dedicated to the late Vienna Mayor M. Jane Seeman, honoring her love of books.



1 BRANCH ROAD TOT LOT

Locust Street and Branch Road, SE; 0.62 Acres
Park features: Playground; Small Open Play Area
OPEN: Daylight to Dusk

2 GLYNDON PARK

300 Glyndon St., SE; 11 Acres
Park features: walking trail; one youth ball field; one basketball court; two lighted tennis courts; restroom facility; water fountain; playground; three parking lots and three sheltered areas
OPEN: Daylight to Dusk — except for tennis courts
RESERVABLE AREAS: 1 Shelter with capacity for 75, eight tables and one grill

3 MEADOW LANE PARK

400 Courthouse Road, SW; 3.43 Acres
Park features: playgrounds; one basketball court; softball field; one basketball court; restroom; water fountain; and a playground
OPEN: Daylight to Dusk—except for tennis and basketball courts

4 MOOREFIELD PARK; VIENNA DOG PARK

700 Courthouse Road, SW; 9.99 Acres
Park features: Walking Trails
Dog Park: off-leash park; shaded area; open area; on-site water supply and doggie playground
OPEN: Daylight to Dusk

5 NORTHSIDE PARK

Mill Street NE @ W&OD and Glyndon Street NE; 26.58 Acres
Park features: natural passive park; trails and stream
OPEN: Daylight to Dusk

6 PETERSON LANE PARK

Malcolm Road, NW; 5.45 Acres
Park features: playgrounds; one basketball court; open play area and a parking lot. Jointly owned and operated with FCPA.
OPEN: Daylight to Dusk

7 SARAH WALKER MERCER PARK

247 Nutley St., NW; 1 Acre
Park features: walking/toddler bike trail; learning circle; lawn and a rain garden
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8 SOUTHSIDE PARK

1317 Ross Drive, SW; 17.25 Acres
Park features: two full size softball fields (one lighted); one basketball court; one sand volleyball court; restroom facility; water fountain; playground; trails; stream; two parking lots and one sheltered area
OPEN: Daylight to Dusk—except for scheduled programs

9 VIENNA TOWN GREEN

144 Maple Ave., East; 2.5 Acres
Park features: walking trail; plaza/fountain; lawn/picnic area; amphitheatre; and restrooms
OPEN: Daylight to Dusk



The amphitheater is at the center of the Vienna Town Green. From May through August, concerts for all ages can be found there. Mr. Gabe & the Circle Time All Stars play to families picnicking on the lawn.

10 WILDWOOD PARK

Valley Drive SE to Mashie Drive SE; 15.65 Acres
Park features: trails and natural wooded area; and a stream

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Customers at Vienna Inn enjoy a meal together

Highlights

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Caffe Amouri

Another location with a feeling of community, Caffe Amouri is a coffee shop with a commitment to sustainability. It's also a place dedicated to the community, offering open mic nights and classes and partnering with local organizations. I like to come in and get work done or hang out with friends.

concert venue and National Park dedicated to the performing arts. In addition to the Filene Center (main stage), there is the Children's Theater in the Woods and trails for walking. Don't miss the free Winter Holiday Sing-A-Long concert with the United States Marine Band and local singers or the free Memorial Day concert and fireworks.

So, I invite you to go out and explore the Town, because this list doesn't even scratch the surface of all the places it has to offer. Welcome to Vienna, and I hope that you, too, will find aspects of the Town that are always a joy to come home to.

Wolf Trap National Park

Wolf Trap is an intimate outdoor



Caffe Amouri

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Rose Ramey, a barista at Caffe Amouri

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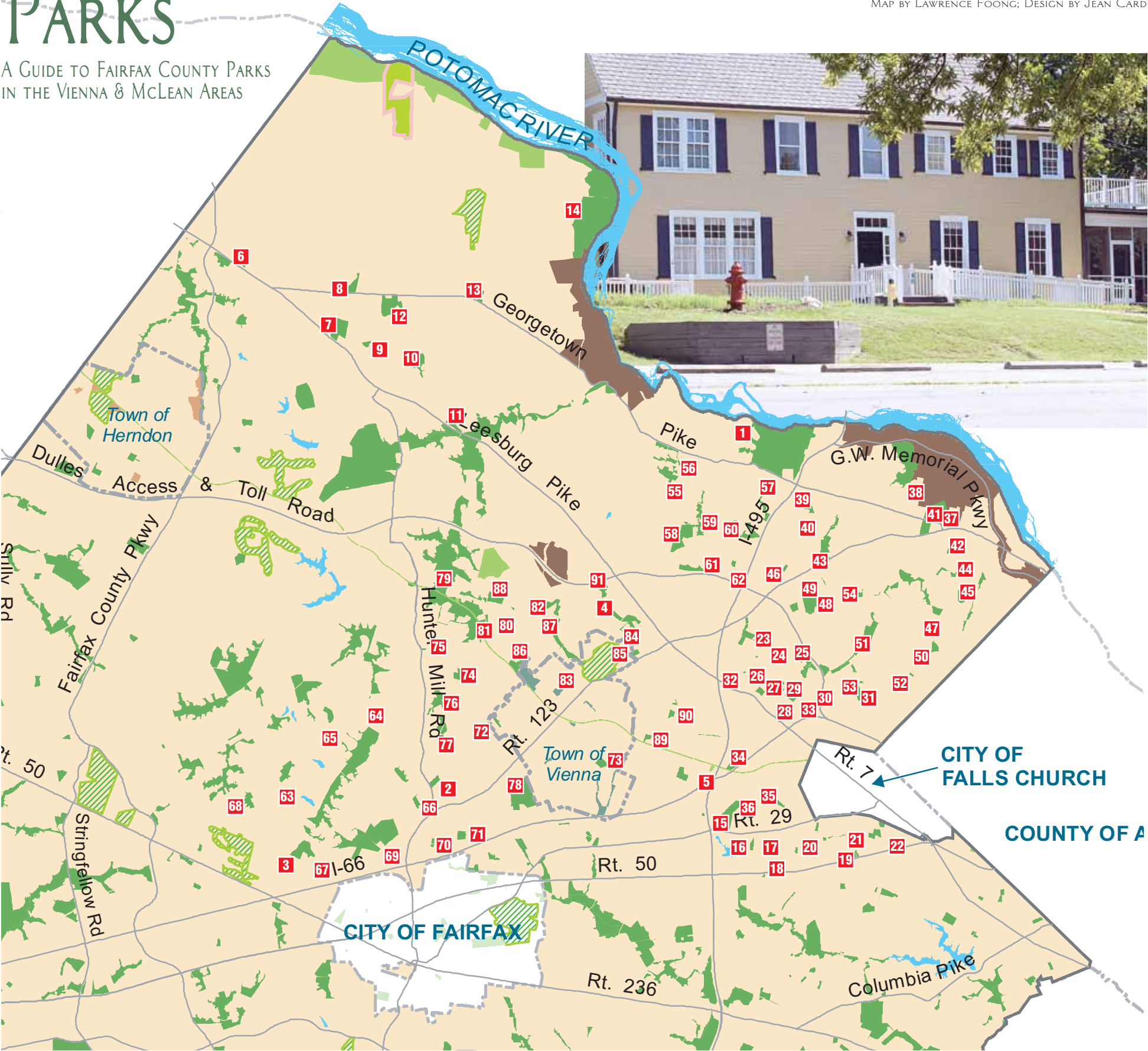
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PARKS

A GUIDE TO FAIRFAX COUNTY PARKS
IN THE VIENNA & MCLEAN AREAS

PHOTOS BY RENÉE RUGGLES FEATURING NOTTOWAY PARK
MAP BY LAWRENCE FOONG; DESIGN BY JEAN CARD



Map Number Park Name
Address, City
Property Class

- 1 Tollbrook Ridge**
720 Boyle Lane, McLean
Neighborhood Park
- 2 Oakton Community**
2841 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton
Community Park
- 3 Waples Mill Meadow**
11329 Waples Mill Road, Oakton
Multiple Resource Park
- 4 Heritage Resource**
Westwood Ct, Vienna
- 5 Dunn Loring**
2540 Gallows Road, Vienna
Community Park

- 6 Holly Knolls**
1010 Redberry Court, Great Falls
Neighborhood Park
- 7 Great Falls Nike**
1089 Utterback Store Road, Great Falls
District Park
- 8 Windermere**
11000 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls
Community Park
- 9 Lockmeade**
1104 Riva Ridge Drive, Great Falls
Community Park
- 10 Lexington Estates**
10401 Shesue Street, Great Falls
Neighborhood Park
- 11 Colvin Run Mill Site**
10017 Colvin Run Road, Great Falls
Cultural Resource Park

- 12 The Turner Farm**
925 Springvale Road, Great Falls
Community Park
- 13 Great Falls Grange**
9818 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls
Community Park
- 14 Riverbend**
8700 Potomac Hill Street, Great Falls
Multiple Resource Park
- 15 Jefferson District**
7900 Lee Highway, Falls Church
Multiple Resource Park
- 16 Pine Spring**
7600 Willow Lane, Falls Church
Neighborhood Park
- 17 Tyler**
7216 Rice Street, Falls Church
Neighborhood Park

- 18 Devonshire**
2826 Edgehill Ave, Falls Church
Neighborhood Park
- 19 Jefferson Village**
2932 East Tripps Run Rd., Falls Church
Community Park
- 20 John Mastenbrook-Greenway Downs**, 2858 Woodlawn Ave., Falls Church, Neighborhood Park
- 21 James Lee School Site**
2855 Annandale Road, Falls Church
Community Park
- 22 Azalea**
2905 Cleave Drive, Falls Church
Neighborhood Park
- 23 Westgate**
7508 Magarity Road, Falls Church
Community Park



- 24 Pimmit View**
1905 Storm Drive, Falls Church
Neighborhood Park

25 Olney
1840 Olney Road, Falls Church
Community Park

26 Fisher
7620 Fisher Drive, Falls Church
Neighborhood Park

27 Tysons Pimmit
2026 Burfoot Street, Falls Church
Neighborhood Park

28 Pimmit Hills
2061 Arch Drive, Falls Church
Neighborhood Park

29 Griffith
2013 Griffith Road, Falls Church
Neighborhood Park

30 Mt Royal
7141 Idylwood Road, Falls Church
Neighborhood Park

31 Haycock Longfellow
6650 Kirby Court, Falls Church
Community Park

32 Lisle
7744 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church
Neighborhood Park

33 Lemon Road
7210 Idylwood Road, Falls Church
Neighborhood Park
- 34 Idylwood**
7715 Virginia Lane, Falls Church
Community Park

35 Hollywood Road
2700 Hollywood Road, Falls Church
Neighborhood Park

36 Lee Landing
2780 Hollywood Rd., Falls Church
Neighborhood Park

37 Langley Fork
6250 Georgetown Pike, McLean
District Park

38 Langley Oaks
6504 Bright Mountain Road, McLean
Natural Resource Park

39 Cooper Intermediate School
977 Balls Hill Road, McLean
Community Park

40 Churchill Road
7098 Thrasher Place, McLean
Community Park

41 Clemyjontri
6317 Georgetown Pike, McLean
Special Purpose Park

42 Dolley Madison Estates
6139 Long Meadow Road, McLean
Neighborhood Park

43 McLean Central
1468 Dolley Madison Blvd., McLean
Community Park
- 44 Potomac Hills**
6125 Kinyon Place, McLean
Community Park

45 Marie Butler Leven Preserve
1501 Kirby Road, McLean
Special Purpose Park

46 McLean Knolls
1400 Balls Hill Road, McLean
Neighborhood Park

47 Linway Terrace
6246 Linway Terrace, McLean
Community Park

48 McLean High
1609 Davidson Rd, McLean
Community Park

49 Lewinsville
1659 Chain Bridge Road, McLean
District Park

50 Chesterbrook School Site
1753 Kirby Road, McLean
Community Park

51 Kent Gardens
6621 Byrnes Drive, McLean
Community Park

52 Franklin Woods
1938 Birch Road, McLean
Neighborhood Park

53 Kirby
2020 Kirby Road, McLean
Neighborhood Park

54 Bryn Mawr
6700 Tennyson Drive, McLean
Neighborhood Park

55 Old Dominion School Site
8211 Hunting Hill Lane, McLean
Community Park

56 Greenway Heights
8203 Riding Ridge Place, McLean
Community Park

57 Scotts Run Nature Preserve
7400 Georgetown Pike, McLean
Natural Resource Park

58 Spring Hill
1239 Spring Hill Road, McLean
District Park

59 McLean Hunt
8003 Old Falls Road, McLean
Neighborhood Park
- 60 Timberly**
1173 Swinks Mill Road, McLean
Community Park

61 McLean Hamlet
8119 Dunsinane Court, McLean
Community Park

62 Falstaff
7717 Falstaff Road, McLean
Neighborhood Park

63 Foxvale
3104 Hunt Road, Oakton
Community Park

64 Gabrielson Gardens
2514 Leeds Drive, Oakton
Special Purpose Park

65 Clarke's Landing
11100 Vale Road, Oakton
Community Park

66 Oakborough Square
2890 Oakborough Square, Oakton
Neighborhood Park

67 Tattersall
3405 Miller Heights Road, Oakton
Community Park

68 Wayland Street
11813a Wayland Steet, Oakton
Community Park

69 Oak Marr
3200 Jermantown Road, Oakton
Multiple Resource Park

70 Borge Street
3030 Borge Street, Oakton
Neighborhood Park

71 Blake Lane School Site
10033 Blake Lane, Oakton
Community Park

72 Peterson Lane
575 Malcolm Road NW, Vienna
Neighborhood Park

73 Cunningham
1001 Park Street, SE, Vienna
Community Park

74 Lawyers Road School Site
10049 Lawyers Road, Vienna
Neighborhood Park

75 Fox Hunters
10319 Lawyers Road, Vienna
Neighborhood Park
- 76 Kemper**
10206 Garrett Street, Vienna
Community Park

77 Ashlawn
10230 Dunfries Road, Vienna
Community Park

78 Nottoway
9537 Courthouse Road, Vienna
District Park

79 Tamarack
1850 Horseback Trail, Vienna
Community Park

80 Symphony Hills
9675 Clarks Crossing Road, Vienna
Neighborhood Park

81 Clarks Crossing
9850 Clarks Crossing Road, Vienna
District Park

82 Wolf Trails
9328 Old Courthouse Road, Vienna
Community Park

83 Foxstone
1910 Creek Crossing Road, Vienna
Community Park

84 Raglan Road
8590 Raglan Road, Vienna
Community Park

85 Freedom Hill
8531 Old Courthouse Road, Vienna
Cultural Resource Park

86 Eudora
2027 Labrador Lane, Vienna
Community Park

87 Waverly
1801 Abbotsford Drive, Vienna
Community Park

88 Lahey Lost Valley
9750 Brookmeadow Drive, Vienna
Cultural Resource Park

89 Tysons Woods
8425 Overlook Street, Vienna
Neighborhood Park

90 Briarcliff
2158 Silentree Road, Vienna
Neighborhood Park

91 Ashgrove
8881 Ashgrove House Lane, Vienna
Cultural Resource Park



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also features picnic pavilions, a deck for sunning and playing, as well as plenty of shade. Captain's Galley snack bar features food, beverages and sweets. Pirates Cove is open from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day.

PB Pohick Bay Golf Course

10301 Gunston Road, Lorton
www.nvrpa.org/park/pohick_bay_golf_course
703-339-8585

This scenic golf course is located on the Mason Neck Peninsula in Lorton. Pohick Bay's practice facility features a driving range with practice putting and chipping greens, and lessons from PGA pros. A full-service pro shop features an array of name-brand golf clubs, equipment and apparel. Other services include club making, custom club fitting, regripping, reshafting and tournament coordinating.

P0 Potomac Overlook Regional Park & Nature Center

2845 Marcey Road, Arlington, VA 22207
www.nvrpa.org/park/potomac_overlook/
703-528-5406

On the Potomac Palisades in north Arlington, Potomac Overlook offers 70 acres of peaceful woodland, trails, educational gardens, a small picnic area and a Nature Center. The Nature Center features brand new exhibits called the "Energerium," offering visitors a fun and accessible way to learn energy basics and ways they can help create sustainable energy solutions. The Nature Center also houses live animals and natural history exhibits.

SR Sandy Run Regional Park

10450 Van Thompson Road, Fairfax Station
www.nvrpa.org/park/sandy_run/
703-690-4392

The park is open to the public for the purpose of education, training, practice, and racing for competitive and recreational sculling and rowing. Only shells and other boats authorized by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority may be launched from the docks or shoreline of Sandy Run. Sandy Run offers a facility for team training and competition for Olympic, college, high school and club canoe, kayak and crew athletes.

UH Upton Hill Regional Park & Ocean Dunes Waterpark

6060 Wilson Blvd., Arlington
www.nvrpa.org/park/upton_hill/
www.oceanduneswaterpark.com/
703-534-3437 or UptonHill@nvrpa.org

Upton Hill Regional Park offers visitors a wooded oasis in the heart of the most densely populated area of Northern Virginia. A large outdoor water-park complex is a sparkling attraction in this wooded, urban park, which straddles the boundary line between Arlington and Fairfax counties. The deluxe miniature golf course boasts one of the longest mini golf holes in the world; the batting cages include nine baseball and softball cages. The park is open every day for hiking, picnicking, playing on the playground and enjoying the outdoors. Located within Upton Hill Regional Park, Ocean Dunes is loaded with fun features for adults and children.

Arts Center

LAC Workhouse Arts Center

9601 Ox Road, Lorton
www.lortonarts.org
703-584-2900

The Workhouse Arts Center consists of seven studio buildings, the main galleries and the recently opened Youth Arts Center. Visitors are encouraged to interact with artists. In addition to visual arts, the Workhouse Arts Center is home to performing arts, including theater, film institute, musical and dance performances. The education department supports both the visual and performing arts, offering classes and workshops in a variety of disciplines. Future plans for the Workhouse include an event center, amphitheater, Workhouse Theatre, restaurants, apartments, music barn and garden/horticultural area. Other buildings on site, yet to be renovated, may provide for other activities such as a visitors center, a blacksmith shop, theatre scene shops and rehearsal space.

Major Fairfax County Parks

BLP Burke Lake Park & Golf Course

7315 Ox Road, Fairfax Station
volleyball, driving range, 18 hole, par 3, minigolf, trails, playground, campgrounds, fishing
883.4 acres, multiple resource park

CJP Clemyjontri Park

6317 Georgetown Pike, McLean
fitness, picnic areas and playgrounds
18.6 acres, special purpose park

ELP Ellanor C. Lawrence Park

5040 Walney Road, Chantilly
baseball, soccer/football (unlit), basketball (unlit), community center, nature center, amphitheater, trails
650 acres, multiple resource park

FPP Frying Pan Farm Park

2717 West Ox Road, Herndon
historic structure, biking/equestrian/hiking trails, open areas, playground
135.3 acres, multiple resource park

GSG Green Spring Gardens

4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria
Community Center, historic structure, biking/hiking trails, open areas, gardens
30.9 acres, special purpose park

HPP Hidden Pond Park

8511 Greeley Boulevard, Springfield
tennis (lit), nature center, amphitheater, hiking/nature trails, playground, fishing
25.6 acres, community park

HMP Huntley Meadows Park

3701 Lockheed Boulevard, Alexandria
nature center, historic structure, biking/hiking/nature trails, observation tower, boardwalk
1444.8 acres, natural resource park

LAP Lake Accotink Park

7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield
basketball, volleyball, minigolf, trails, picnic
448.1 acres, multiple resource park

LFP Lake Fairfax Park

1400 Lake Fairfax Drive, Reston
softball (lit), soccer/football (unlit), amphitheater, carousel, campground, tour boat, picnic shelters
479 acres, multiple resource park

FRA Lee District Park

6601 Telegraph Road, Franconia
softball, soccer/football, tennis, basketball, volleyball, trails, treehouse, sprayground, accessible playground
138 acres, district park

MDP Mason District Park

6621 Columbia Pike, Annandale
softball (lit), soccer/football (unlit/lit), basketball (lit), tennis (lit), shuffleboard, dog park, amphitheater, biking/hiking/fitness
121.2 acres, district park

NWP Nottoway Park

9537 Courthouse Road, Vienna
baseball (lit), soccer/football (lit), basketball (lit), tennis (lit), trails, picnic
90.9 acres, district park

RBP Riverbend Park

8700 Potomac Hill Street, Great Falls
nature center, historic structure, biking/equestrian/hiking trails, picnic areas, craft room
411.2 acres, multiple resource park

SRN Scotts Run Nature Preserve

7400 Georgetown Pike, McLean
historic structure, historic/hiking/nature trails, fishing
384.3 acres, natural resource park

SRD South Run District

7550 Reservation Drive, Springfield
baseball, soccer/football, basketball, tennis, recenter, equestrian, playground, swimming
196 acres, district park

WFP Wakefield Park & RECenter

8100 Braddock Road, Annandale
softball, soccer/football, basketball, tennis, recenter, biking, fitness trail, skate park
292.6 acres, multiple resource park



FAIRS & FESTIVALS

A sampling of the many fun and family-friendly events taking place around Fairfax County much of the year.

September 2018

MONDAY/SEPT. 3

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

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/SEPT. 8-9

Burke Centre Festival. 9:30 am-5 pm at Burke Centre Community Festival, 6060 Burke Centre Parkway Burke. Festival includes an Arts & Craft Fair, festival food vendors, amusement rides, pony rides, musical entertainment provided by local and nationally recognized performers, nature shows, after-hours Wine Garden. Visit www.virginia.org/Listings/Exhibits/BurkeCentreFestival for more.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 15

Dulles Day Plane Pull. At Dulles International Airport, Dulles. The 2014 Dulles Day Family Festival & Plane Pull is a full day of excitement with airplane and auto exhibits, the children's zone and bus pull, varied displays and activities, vendors, food and entertainment. Visit www.planepull.com for more.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 22

Reston Multicultural Festival. 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Lake Anne Plaza, Reston. The Reston Multicultural Festival celebrates all the entertainment, dress, food, and cultural treasures from all over the world that are all here in Reston. Rain or shine. Free. Visit www.restoncommunitycenter.com/attend-shows-events-exhibits/reston-multicultural-festival for more.

October 2018

WEDNESDAY-SATURDAY/OCT. 10-13

Fairfax's Fall for the Book Festival. 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Enjoy literature and hear authors give readings at the Fall for the Book Festival. Visit www.fallforthebook.org for more.

SATURDAY/OCT. 13

Taste of Annandale. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tom Davis Drive in central Annandale, between Columbia Pike and John Marr Drive. The fourth annual Taste of Annandale will showcase local restaurants during a daylong family-friendly celebration aimed at building community spirit, engaging young people, and promoting local businesses. Other activities include a 5K; multicultural music, dance, and other live entertainment; a chili cook-off; and much more.

May 2019

Great Falls Artfest on the Green.

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



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Celebrate Fairfax!

Attendees enjoy live entertainment, rides, games and food trucks as part of the 2018 Celebrate Fairfax! festival June 8-10 at the Fairfax Government Center. The annual festival attracts tens of thousands of visitors each year.

MONDAY/MAY 13

Great Falls Annual Charity Golf Tournament. Hidden Creek Country Club. 1711 Club House Road, Reston. Join for a morning or afternoon round of golf and support our three Great Falls elementary schools while you are at it. Opportunities for sponsorships and volunteering are available! For more information: www.celebrategreatfalls.org.

THURSDAY-SUNDAY/MAY 30-JUNE 2

Herndon Festival 2019. Thursday: 6-10 p.m. Friday 5-11 p.m. Saturday: 10 a.m. - 11 p.m. Sunday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Northwest Federal Credit Union, 200 Spring St., Herndon. Four day outdoor festival with three entertainment stages, two fireworks displays, Kid's Alley with children's art area, arts and craft show and more! All ages. Visit www.herndonfestival.net for more information.

THURSDAYS/MAY-AUGUST

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

FRIDAYS/MAY-AUGUST

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

June 2019

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

Cardboard Regatta. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield. Featured during Springfield Days, witness the cardboard boat creations race along Lake Accotink's shoreline at 2 p.m. \$4 vehicle fee. Call 703-569-0285 or email julie.tahan@fairfaxcounty.gov. Visit www.springfielddays.com for more.

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

Lake Anne Chalk on the Water Festival. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Lake Anne Plaza, 1609 Washington Plaza, Reston. Chalk on the Water is a two-day street-painting festival where participants will create amazing street art. Festival goers can purchase a "plot" of brick space on the plaza and paint to their hearts delight whatever flows from their imagination. Cost for spaces are \$5 for children, \$10 for adults, and \$15 for professional artist. Individuals can register at www.chalkonthewater.com. Only 100 spaces/plots are available for this event. Participants have a chance to win cash prizes for various categories, awarded by notable community judges. The festival will also include food, a live DJ, a wine garden.

Taste of Reston. Reston Town Center, 11900 Market St., Reston. Carnival games and rides with a family fun zone. Visit www.restontaste.com for more.

JUNE-AUGUST

Reston Concerts on the Town. Fridays, 7:30-10 p.m. Reston Town Center Pavilion. Bring lawn chairs or picnic blankets and enjoy live music in the Pavilion Saturday nights. Free. Rain or shine. Presented by Reston Town Center, Boston Properties, and Reston Town Center Association. Alcohol permitted at restaurants



only. 11900 Market Street, Reston. Concert information: www.restontowncenter.com/concerts.

Great Falls Concerts on the Green. Sundays, 6-8 p.m. Great Falls Village Centre Green. Come out with your picnic baskets and chairs for an entertaining evening of free, live music! 776 Walker Rd, Great Falls. Full schedule list: www.celebrategreatfalls.org/concerts-on-the-green/.

Lake Anne Summer Film Festival. Select Sundays, 8 p.m. Lake Anne Plaza, 1609 Washington Plaza, Reston. Grab a date, the family or a group of friends, bring the lawn chairs and a picnic and enjoy the free flicks under the stars.

Arts in the Parks. Wednesdays & Saturdays, 10 a.m. Performance venues include Burke Lake Park Amphitheater, E.C. Lawrence Park Amphitheater, Mason District Park Amphitheater, and Frying Pan Farm Park Visitor Center. Entertain children, teach them the importance of protecting our natural resources, introduce them to live entertainment in an informal kid-friendly atmosphere, and forge a connection between kids and parks. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances/arts-in-the-parks for more.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/JUNE 7-9

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

SUNDAY/JUNE 14

Love Your Body Yoga Festival. Yoga studios and wellness centers of Northern Virginia will be offering classes, services, and information on ways to care for your body, along with live entertainment and activities

for children. Donations to participate in classes benefit Cornerstones. Presented by Beloved Yoga. www.belovedyoga.com.

July 2019

Herndon 4th of July Celebration.

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

Great Falls 4th of July Celebration & Parade.

5K Walk Run, Blood Drive, Little Patriot Parade, and floats, horses, antique cars and pets making a loop in the Main Parade. Fireworks start after dusk. www.celebrategreatfalls.org/4th-of-july-celebration-parade/

Vienna 4th of July Festival and

Fireworks Show. Live musical entertainment, arts and crafts for kids, antique and classic car show and fireworks. Visit www.viennava.gov for more.

Fairfax's Independence Day

Celebration. In the Downtown Fairfax Historic District. Independence day parade, historical tours, games, entertainment and fireworks. Visit www.fairfaxva.gov/about-us/special-events/independence-day-celebration

Obon Festival. Highlighting Japanese culture at Ekoji Buddhist Temple, 6500 Lakehaven Lane, Fairfax Station. Visit www.ekoji.org for more.

Clifton Film Festival.

7 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. Enjoy live music, food and original films under the stars. During the event there will be two awards ceremonies, student's awards will be given during intermission and the 19+ category at the closing of the festival. For more information, please visit cliftonfilmfest.com

Claude Moore Colonial Farm 1771

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

JULY-AUGUST

Braddock Nights Concert Series.

Fridays, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield or Royal Lake Park, 5344 Gainsborough Drive, Fairfax. Listen to musical performances in the great outdoors. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/sites/parks/files/assets/documents/performances/sesflyers18-braddocknights.pdf for location and schedule.

August 2019

Fairfax County 4-H Fair and

Carnival. At Frying Pan Farm Park, 2709 West Ox Road, Herndon. Enjoy old-fashioned family fun with carnival games, rides and tempting foods. Stop by the 4-H Fair throughout the weekend as exhibitors display their winning entries and get their farm animals ready to show. Try a turn at farm chores, watch stage entertainment and enjoy horse and livestock shows. Thursday and Friday – free parking and discount tickets for unlimited rides. Admission to the 4-H Fair and Carnival is free; \$10 per car parking fee on Saturday and Sunday. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/frying-pan-park/4-h-fair for details.