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"Bolster the Blue" Hosting Pro-Police Event



Support Our Law Enforcement on October 24th

local pro-police organization named "Bolster the Blue" is hosting an event in support of law enforcement on Saturday, October 24th.

The event, titled "Police, Pastors, and Prayer" features special keynote speaker Jason Yates of the organization "My Faith Votes," and will take place in front of the Fairfax County Courthouse on Page Avenue. Free garage parking is available for anyone who wishes to attend the event.

BOLSTER THE BLUE was started by Fairfax County resident Brenda Tillett, after she and her son decided one day to bring lunch for all of the officers as a way of saying thank you for their service.

brought hand-written thank-you cards for each officer and lunch, we were humbled by the impact this small gesture had. We wanted to share that feeling of appreciation with officers everywhere again and again."

POLICE, PASTORS, AND PRAYER is an opportunity for all Fairfax residents who appreciate our law enforcement officers to join in prayer with and for the men and women in blue who keep our communities safe.

In addition to keynote speaker Jason Yates and other guest speakers, the event welcomes local community pastors offering prayers and inspirational messages for our police and our country.

Said Tillett, "as my son and I FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY: Police, Pastors, and Prayer will feature live DJ'd music, games and activities for kids and adults alike (including face and wrist painting, pumpkin decorating, police sticker scene decorating, cornhole, pumpkin tic-tac-toe, "guess how many candy corns are in the jar," raffles, and a children's essay contest.

> Food will be available on-site with both a food truck and cotton candy cart present for attendees.

> Tables will be available for event sponsors, including the Fairfax County Republican Committee, and Bolster the Blue t-shirts and hats will be available for attendees in exchange for a donation. For more information, email Bolster the Blue at info@bolstertheblue.com.



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Flyer distributed by Bolster the Blue for "Police, Pastors, and Prayer"



They risk their lives to keep us safe. But radical left-wing Democrats want to defund and abolish the police, and put suburban families in harm's way.

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Bolster the Blue Holds Essay Contest for Kids

Bolster the Blue is now accepting submissions for a children's essay contest, with prizes awarded to the top 3 winners. Entrants should write an essay in 250 words or less describing the story of the police officer pictured above. Submit entries to info@bolstertheblue.com.

NEWS

Hiding at the Top of the Ticket

Race for Senate features two-term incumbent versus first-time candidate.

By Michael Lee Pope GAZETTE PACKET

hen Mark Warner ran for governor in 2001, opponents knocked him for wanting to be governor without having ever run for office before. Now, almost 20 years later, Warner is seeking a third term in the Senate. His Republican opponent in the race, Daniel Gade, has never held elected office before. And Gade's closing argument to voters as the campaign draws to a close is that they should reject Warner because he's a "career politician" who is little more than a partisan hack masquerading as a moderate.

"When he says he's going to work across the aisle, what we really see is him retreating into his partisan positions," said Gade in the third and final televised debate earlier this week. "He gets bipartisan only in an election year."

Warner rejects this line of argument. When questioned about his willingness to work across the aisle, Warner mentions prominent Republicans he's worked with in the Senate, including John McCain and Orrin Hatch. He also points to support from his predecessor in office, Republican Senator John Warner. During his first campaign for the Senate he positioned himself as a "radical centrist," an approach he continues to take 12 years later.

"Virginians know my record," says Warner. "They know my record as governor, when as a Democrat with a two-to-one Republican legislature, we made record investments and remained the best-managed state, best state for business and best state to receive a public education."

The race for Senate in Virginia is not on the national radar as a race to watch, and Republicans have not identified Warner as an incumbent who might be vulnerable. Polls show Warner consistently with a double-digit lead over Gade. The most recent poll is from Christopher Newport University, which shows Warner with a 17 point lead. Despite the outsized lead, the airwaves have been buzzing with ads in the race — includ-

ing spots on broadcast television where Warner

attacks Gade. "That suggests to me

that there's something there. Why go negative unless you have to?" asked Quentin Kidd, director of the Wason Center for Public Policy at Christopher Newport University. "I have not thought of this race in any sense as being competitive, but I don't know why Warner would

run a negative ad." Six years ago, when Warner was cam-

paigning for a second term in the Senate, he www.ConnectionNewspapers.com

Photo contributed Sen. Mark Warner at Belle Haven to talk about the Great American Outdoors Act.

"Virginians know my record." — U.S. Sen. Mark Warner (D)

was running another race that few people identified as a race to watch. But in the final days of the campaign, Republican Ed Gillespie surged and came

close to beating Warner in an upset. Warner ultimately prevailed, but the unexpectedly close margin in that race gave Republicans hope they might be able to unseat him this year if they were able to find the

publican running, espe-

cially candidates who have never held elective office and have no name recognition," said David Ramadan, a former Republican member of the House of Delegates who is

now at the Schar School of Policy and Government at George Mason University. "Mark Warner wins this one with a landslide."

THE CANDIDATES have presented a contrast that's personal and political. Gade, 45, is a combat-wounded vet who now teaches at American University and lives in Mount Vernon. Warner, 65, is a resident of Old Town who made a fortune as a founder of Nextel before becoming state party chairman and launching a campaign for governor. On the campaign trail, they've disagreed on everything from the Affordable Care act to the Trump administration's response to coronavirus and the vacancy on the United States Supreme Court. They've also admitted a few mistakes along the way. During a



Republican candidate for Senate Daniel Gade lost a leg in combat in Iraq.

"When he says he's going to work across the aisle, what we really see is him retreating into his partisan positions."

- Republican candidate Daniel Gade

debate at Norfolk State University, Gade acknowledged that he probably shouldn't have said wearing a mask during the pandemic was what government overreach and tyrannv feels like.

"In May of 2020, what you saw there was me at a sort of philosophical point that a government that is powerful enough to make you do little things is also powerful enough to take your liberty in other ways, said Gade. "Maybe I mangled the point. I'm not a career politician."

The moderators of that debate also got Warner to admit to making a mistake in

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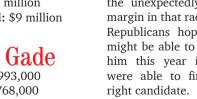
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Mark Warner raised: \$14 million

spent: \$5 million cash on hand: \$9 million

Daniel Gade raised: \$993,000

spent: \$768,000 cash on hand: \$225,000



"This is beyond an uphill race for any Re-

Opinion

Project Community Connect Supports Those Struggling to Afford Basic Needs

President and CEO, United Way of the National Capital Area

he impact of COVID-19 has deepened the economic hardship for residents in the DMV area. Prior to the pandemic, many residents were living paycheck-to-paycheck but were not eligible for assistance because their household income did not fall below Federal Poverty Guidelines. In fact, our recent ALICE (Asset, Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) reports show that 39 percent of the total population in VA and MD and 55 percent in DC are unable to afford basic household essentials in their communities. In Fairfax County specifically, 23 percent are ALICE households. We know that after several months of business closures, layoffs, furloughs or reduced work hours, these numbers have increased with more residents finding it harder to

BY ROSIE ALLEN-HERRING afford the basic household necessities including housing, food, childcare, transportation, health care, and a basic smartphone plan.

> In October of each year, your United Way of the National Capital Area is usually preparing for its flagship event, Project Homeless Connect. However, given this unprecedented time, it was imperative for us to pivot our flagship event to be accessible to more communities and include not only those at-risk of or experiencing homelessness, but anyone impacted by COVID-19.

> With our new charge in mind, we have renamed Project Homeless Connect to Project Community Connect. Instead of one day of programs and services at one location, Project Community Connect is a weeklong series, October 19 – 23, 2020.

> During this time, United Way NCA is working with partners across the region in delivering hundreds of basic needs items throughout the

week to the people they serve including food, winter clothing and hygiene kits. Additionally, virtual workshops will cover budget-friendly meals, eviction and rental assistance, education resources, opportunities to save and manage bills or start a new career, and health.

We know that the issues of inequity in our systems for employment, education, health and food access, financial stability and opportunities for all to grow to the best of their abilities are not going to change unless we do the work. We are looking to partner with community members who are ready to join our efforts as we mobilize and make bold strides until we achieve equity for all of our community members, regardless of race, gender, income and ability.

Please join us for Project Community Connect if you are in need of resources or services, or if you would like to give back to the community. For more information, please visit: United-WayNCA.org/PCC.

Letters to the Editor

Why Hillary Lost in 2016? To the Editor:

I would like to respond to the letter "We Need to Start Talking About The Emotional Impact of Election Day" (October 14-20, 2020). Just to clarify, Trump did not win the election - Hillary lost the election! It started long before 2016 with her entitlement mentality and risking the lives of those serving overseas with her callous behavior towards what one should consider normal and good for the country. I was in intelligence for 30+ years and at any time during my career if I handled classified information the way she and her staff did (personal unsecured server as a starting point) I would have lost my Top Secret clearance, my job and probably ended up in jail. The entitlement mentality of the self appointed ruling class seems to have no shame or limits.

I spent 18 of those 30+ years serving oversea from Africa, Asia, Europe to the Middle East often in quite dangerous situations. To quote some in politics; "no one is above the law." However, in Hillary's case the same laws that evervone in the intelligence community abides by when handling and dealing with classified traffic did not apply to her. Handling classified information the way Hillary did was not "driven to govern for the good of the country." She put in danger my life while serving in the Middle East along with the lives of my fellow diplomats. Comey then gave her a pass which did unimaginable damage to the credibility of the FBI. James Clapper lied to congress (metadata) when he appeared under oath during congressional hearings with no repercussions for lying under oath to congress on TV. Bill Clinton met with Loretta Lynch on the tarmac in Phoenix to talk about family and children during the Hillary Clinton email investigation (if you believe that I have a bridge for sale). Lois Lerner denied and targeted 501C's that did not meet the standards of the Obama administration (she retired with full pension).

Eric Holder's rogue operation (Fast and Furious) cost at least one known border agent his life (how many Mexican civilians lost their lives with the guns provided under the fast and furious operation is unknown to this day).

So as one looks back as to why Hillary lost, one only has to look at the abuse of the self appointed "ruling class" which continued until the American people said, "enough" in 2016. Donald Trump was elected and Hillary lost primarily because this entitlement mentality of the self appointed ruling class that became so entrenched in Washington.

"No one is above the law" unless you are part of that special class. So what is picked to run against Donald Trump in 2020 but part of the Washington corrupt establishment instead of someone with honest integrity such as former senator Jim Webb of Virginia or Tulsi Gabbard of Hawaii. No, instead the democratic party picks one who has been in the Washing-4 ♦ VIENNA/OAKTON / MCLEAN CONNECTION ♦ OCTOBER 21-27, 2020

ton entitlement class for almost 50 years with little or no accomplishment other than to enrich himself and his family. If Donald Trump gets a second term there is no one to blame other than the entitlement mentality of the self appointed ruling class.

In conclusion, regardless of who wins one can only hope that one party or the other wins big and for the good of America so we avoid the rioting, looting to protest the outcome of a close election will bring.

> **Dudley Losselyong** Great Falls

We Are Not Better Off Now To the Editor'

Regarding this 2020 election... never mind that President Trump took children away from their parents at our southern border. Never mind his withdrawal from the Paris climate agreement, the Iran nuclear deal and the World Health Organization. Never mind that he continually attempts to abolish the Affordable Care Act. Never mind his self-inflicted trade war with China. Never mind that he has led our country into having unprecedented national debt. Never mind his inaction when foreign governments killed American citizens. Never mind his support of the "very fine people" in white nationalist groups. Never mind that he turns his back on our allies and kowtows to dictators, surrendering the United States' leadership role in the world. Never mind his use of unrequested militarized Federal agents on peaceful protestors. Never mind all that if vou want.

Now his willful inaction on the COVID-19 pandemic has cost more than 200,000 American lives, record breaking unemployment, national fear and ongoing unrest. Our country cannot take four more years of this. You already know the answer to that age-old question: No, we are not better off now than we were four years ago.

Don't let anything keep you from voting.

> **Barbara Glakas** Herndon

Correction

In the Oct. 14 article, "Advancing Diversity and Inclusion Through Changes in TJ Admissions," the quote attributed to Brandon Kim came from Srinivas Akella. It should have read:

"Countering, Srinivas Akella questioned the racial code-based system saying it would institutionalize the very racism that it claimed to fight. You are putting the future of our kids in the hands of administrators who are tone deaf to the needs and concerns of (the) Asian American community (and) have an anti-Asian bias."



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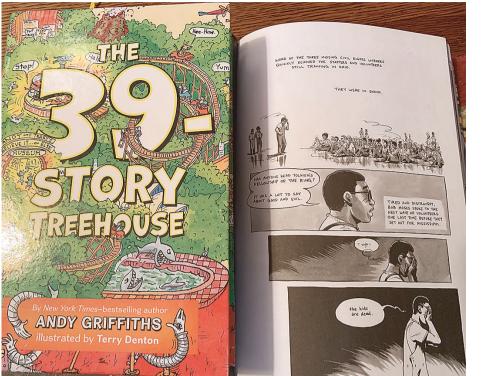
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National Book Month

Month-long celebration focuses on engaging families in reading, writing and literature.

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- Michelle LeFrance, Ph.D.,

George Mason University

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL The Connection

t's a line from the Pulitzer Prize winning classic, To Kill a Mockingbird that is at the heart of the literary philosophy of Anne Briggs, web services and communications librarian at Montgomery College Library

"The character Scout Finch says, 'Until I feared I would lose it, I never loved to read. One does not love breathing," said Briggs. "This National Book Month, help make reading as natural as breathing for your children."

Established by the National Book Foundation in 2003 and held each October, National Book Month was created to celebrate the importance of reading, writing and literature. Educators and librarians such as Briggs, are encouraging families to celebrate the month together.

"Use [this] month as an opportunity to refocus on the importance of reading in your family," she said. "Take time to read or listen to audiobooks with your children, working with your child to pick the books that interest them."

In fact, some educators encourage parents to focus on helping children choose books that spark curiosity. "Just because a book is award-winning and highly recommended by your friends doesn't necessarily mean your child will latch onto it," said education consultant Arash Fayz, co-founder and executive director of LATutors123. "Encourage your child to identify topics that they enjoy learning about or would like to learn about and let them pick out a book themselves. This will empower them to feel a sense of ownership over the book choice."

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National Book Month is also a time to underscore the connection between avid reading and the quality of one's writing skills. "While we don't have a lot of empirical data, we do see that people who are prolific or creative writers are also voracious readers," said Michelle LeFrance, an associate professor in the Department of English at George Mason University. "People with an exposure to a wide variety of books also have a great sense of curiosity."

For students who have difficulty reading or simply don't enjoy it, Le France says, "Let them read what they are interested in and worry less about the quality. Audiobooks

> and graphic novels, which don't get enough credit, can share stories in deep ways. I would suggest them for kids who tend to be reluctant readers."

"Reading allows readers to learn and to grow and to imagine and to use their creativity and to be moved," added education consultant Karen Gross. "It's key is to increasing vocabulary and a love of words and a sense of the power of words."

While a family trip to the library might not be an option during the pandemic, lo-

cal public libraries are offering virtual access. From an All American Girl Club event in Alexandria and a parent-child book clubs in Fairfax County to a family story time in Montgomery County, and middle school science fiction and fantasy book clubs in Arlington, families can enjoy literature without leaving home.

"Most public libraries are offering free virtual events to help families remain engaged with reading during the pandemic," said Briggs. "Making time for reading and storytelling in your family can help you raise lifelong readers and learners, and enjoy the educational and emotional benefits that come with reading."



Senator Mark Warner, left, and Republican Daniel Gade debate at the studio of WTVR in Richmond.

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being slow to criticize the name of the Washington football team, which continued to use a racial slur as the team's nickname until the Black Lives Matter movement forced a national conversation about white privilege. During the debate, which was held on the campus of one of Virginia's HB-CUs, Warner said he took the wrong position by being one of the few Democrats who failed to demand the team ditch its racist former name.

"I probably should have weighed in earlier," said Warner during the televised debate. "But you learn and you grow, and I think you look at people's history and record."

The role of government has been a central defining theme of the campaign, perhaps best illustrated by a debate over something that happened in 2016.

That's when a woman was killed by a beach umbrella in Virginia Beach. Warner reacted by urging the Consumer Product Safety Commission to step in and potentially help save lives. Gade said that was the wrong response.

"That's maybe a local government responsibility or state government maybe," said Gade shortly after securing the Republican nomination over the summer. "But the idea that this overarching, over powerful federal government would reach into our lives in a way that would tell us how deeply we should drill our beach umbrellas into the sand; that's' absurd."

Warner says it's probably a bad idea to let local or state government regulate beach umbrellas.

"Generally speaking, businesses like to have state rules preempted so they can have a single standard," said Warner when asked about Gade's comments. "If Mr. Gade is suggesting that we ought to have 50 different sets of rules or maybe 50,000 different sets of rules because every locality ought to be able to make those rules, that would be an area I just respectfully disagree."

Perhaps the biggest point of distinction between the candidates has been over the Affordable Care Act. A Republican-led lawsuit challenging the law is on the calendar for the Supreme Court this fall, and candidates for office are using the issue as an appeal to voters on both sides. During the first televised debate hosted by the Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce, Warner says Gade's opposition to the ACA would undermine protections for preexisting conditions. Daniel Gade responded that was offensive.

"There were 25 states when the ACA was passed that already protected people with preexisting conditions," said Gade, who lost a leg as a combat vet in Iraq. "And the idea that I would take away protections for people with preexisting conditions is offensive and it's false and it's defamatory."

Warner says Gade can't have it both ways.

"If my opponent wants to change his position and say he supported my decision along with John McCain to keep the ACA, he can make that change," said Warner. "But you can't go out and criticize me for the ACA and then cherry pick which parts of the ACA you want to preserve."

U.S. Park Police Charged in Killing of McLean Resident

Family has waited for justice since November 2017 when Bijan Ghaisar was shot.

BY KEN MOORE The Connection

airfax County's Commonwealth Attorney Steve Descano filed charges against two U.S. Park Police officers for the 2017 killing of 25-year-old McLean resident and Langley High School graduate Bijan Ghaisar. Ghaisar was unarmed when shot multiple times in the head as he sat in his Jeep Grand Cherokee.

"When this incident happened, it shook our community and the reverberations were felt far and wide because of the disturbing video that we've all seen," said Descano.

"Like so many others in our community, I was deeply disturbed by the images we saw on that cruiser video," he said.

Descano charged each officer last Thursday, Oct. 15, 2020, with one count of manslaughter and one count of reckless discharge of a firearm.

"I wish this could have been done in a faster fashion," Descano said. "However, there is no shortcut to justice. This is a very complex and nuanced case. The pursuit of these indictments involved the careful review of over 11,000 pieces of documentary evidence, the chasing down of additional evidence, and the conducting of in-person interviews and discussions in the midst of a global pandemic."

Ghaisar's family responded on FaceBook. "Our heavy hearts are a little lighter tonight knowing that the police officers who mur-

dered our son and brother are closer to being held accountable for what they did. Too many of the people who are sworn to protect and serve our communities commit heinous acts of violence and go unpunished. With these charges we are reminded that at least here in Fairfax County, Officers Alejandro Amaya and Lucas Vinyard are not above the law." "Justice has not yet come for

the Ghaisar family, but today is a major step forward in that journey," Descano said.

DESCANO EXPECTS the officers will file motions to move the case to federal court within a month, and that the federal government will move to dismiss the case on the grounds of the Supremacy Clause.

"Because of these unique challenges, we've not only prepared for these indict-

ments, we've also spent months preparing for trial. As I stand before you, I know we are ready to try this case tomorrow," said Descano."

Descano asked Attorney General Mark Herring to assist in the case.

The U.S. Department of Justice refused to produce witnesses for the grand jury and trial, Descano said, and he relied on evidence collected by the Fairfax County Police Department from video footage

dashcams.

'To that end, I want to specifically thank [Fairfax County] Police Chief Ed Roessler as well as all the officers that responded that evening and subsequently handled the Investigation of the case -- because of your efforts, you gave us the foundation necessary to get us today's result."

BIJAN GHAISAR, who was an accountant, was rear-ended as he was driving on the George Washington Parkway on Nov. 17, 2017. Ghaisar left the scene and drove away, failing to speak to the driver of the car that hit him, and he failed to stop when U.S. Park Police approached him.

Ghaisar continued south through Alexandria. And Park Police pursued. When Ghaisar stopped again, Park Police approached with guns drawn at the corner of Fort Hunt Road and Alexandria Avenue in Mount Vernon.

A Fairfax County police officer had joined in the pursuit and had activated his in-car dashboard video camera. Footage demonstrates Ghaisar drove off each time he was approached by police, but footage also shows the unarmed man being shot in the head as he sat in his Jeep Grand Cherokee.

He died 10 days after being shot.

"Bijan Ghaisar was an individual that was involved in a minor traffic accident and was shot and killed by law enforcement officials minutes later. On a relatively uneventful night in 2017, Bijan was struck by another car, left the scene, and thereafter failed to pull over for the U.S. Park Police," said Descano.

"None of that should have led to his death. It left a family with a great loss and a community with a lot of unanswered questions," he said.

OTHER OFFICIALS RESPONDED. "As we near three years since two National Park Police officers tragically shot and killed Bijan Ghaisar, it is long past time for the Ghaisars to receive answers about what happened to their son and brother that night," said U.S. Sen. Mark Warner.

"We've all seen the video of these officers firing unprovoked into Bijan's car. We've

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Tysons Ten Years Into Comprehensive Plan

Supervisors discuss what's on track and challenges.

By Mercia Hobson The Connection

n Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2020, the McLean Citizens Association hosted a forum on Tysons – Ten Years After the New Comprehensive Plan. Rob Jackson, President of the McLean Citizens Association, welcomed Supervisors Dalia Palchik (D-Providence) and John Foust (D-Dranesville) to share their thoughts on Tysons, looking back, what was right now and what needed improvements. Jackson said that while the Dranesville District did not include any part of Tysons per se, Foust had been involved with the project for a long time. Palchik, on the other hand, brought "fresh eyes" to the topic.

FOUST said the Tyson Plan covered 2100 acres of land in the "Tyson's Corner urban center" and took advantage of the huge investment made in the Dulles rail project. "That includes four rail stations in Tysons. So, the Plan was intended to serve as a vehicle for creating a vibrant, transit-oriented, pedestrian-friendly, mixed-use community that provides significant transportation, environmental, housing, and other benefits," he said.

While the Plan has a long horizon, 50 years, it was clear many of its goals were being realized currently. Foust said that Tysons had become an economic engine for Fairfax County, funding County services through tax dollars. He said, in 2013, there was approximately \$10 billion of assessed value for non-residential real estate in Tysons. Yet, in 2020, seven years later, they had more than \$15 billion of assessed value. Looking back during the Plan's formative years-meetings with stakeholders, public workshops, sitting at tables in school cafeterias using Lego blocks to construct the vision of what Tysons should become, Foust said when the Board of Supervisors received approval for the Plan in 2010, it contained nearly everything he wanted, except the rail issue. "The decision had been made to elevate the rail through Tysons. So, the Plan, I felt, took that issue and recognized it, and worked with it, and presented a plan that was doable despite that," he said.

Foust said he remained concerned at the time that if Route 7 was not expanded, the Plan would not work. He held out his support of the Plan until such was included in the Comprehensive Plan for Tysons, a commitment to use funding associated with Tysons to widen Route 7. "As a result, we now have the project all the way out to Reston Avenue...checking off another issue associated with implementation of the Tysons Plan...The first ten years have been very positive, and I am very confident we are on the right track," Foust said.

PALCHIK Palchik stressed it was a long-term Plan, 40, 50, 60 years or more. "It's ambitious and multi-generational...but we know it comes with growing pains and with a need for the continued focus on how we solve the 8 ♦ VIENNA/OAKTON / MCLEAN CONNECTION



Office development in Tysons continues to play out. The question is, with the impact of COVID, will the spaces be utilized in how the Comprehensive Plan envisioned them.



Rob Jackson, President of the McLean Citizens Association

problems," she said. Palchik noted that the pandemic hurt rail and bus transportation, but they were determined to get back to their previous rates. She said they had seen the buildout of the new grid for streets moving forward with the construction.

Palchik recognized the need for affordable housing for employees and all who come to live, work, and retire in Tysons. "As of last year, we had 752 units that were developed and another 4,200 approved units in place," she said. But that was something needed to be "tweaked." Those at the 100 percent to 120 percent average median income were too close to the market rate, and the effort of filling out the paperwork was not worth the difference. "We're looking at increasing the number of units that come 60 to 80 percent average median income and looking to eliminate those 100 to 120...We have the Tysons Housing Fund, which has more than \$5M." ♦ Остовек 21-27, 2020



Supervisor Dalia Palchik (D-Providence)

Highlights of Questions Jackson Asked

Q - Do you think the original goals for Tysons remain valid?

A - Palchik: "Overall, I think we've seen, really, a model of success for where we've come so far...I know Routes 123 and 7 are pretty sacred to VDOT and will be challenging to see any changes there, but some of our quieter streets, our smaller streets...maybe we can have a little bit more flexibility in how they look and how they're developed...And just looking at the small tweaks and areas where we can really focus on the immediate needs around housing, transportation, parks and green space.

A - Foust: "One issue that continues to bother me is the fact that we don't have a plan for delivering school facilities in Tysons yet. We have gotten commitment, though. We got a proffer for land for an elementary school... That's an issue that's going to heat up.

Another area that concerns me is recent. It is the unknown consequence of the COVID outbreak...We need office development for Tysons for the Plan to play out how we envisioned it...Those offices are still sitting pretty empty...We're going to have to be flexible. If the demand for office space is dramatically less in the future, we've got to come up with a modification to our Plan."

Q - Metro?

A - Foust said he wanted to focus on the Silver Line and that they were talking about reducing metro rail service across the system to 80 percent average of what it was before COVID. "They are saying that they don't have the funds to commence service on Phase 2 of the Silver Line. So that's a zero percent utilization of that facility, and my point is, it's not ready immediately, but it will be soon. And when it is, it has to be treated like all the other services across the Metrorail system. If they get 80 percent, we



Supervisor John Foust (D-Dranesville)

"The first ten years have been very positive, and I am very confident we are on the right track." — Supervisor John Foust (D-Dranesville)

don't get zero because ... we weren't operating before COVID. That's not criteria that is relevant here. The criteria is we've invested \$6 billion into the Silver Line... We approved so many projects transit-oriented that will function only if we have an operating Silver Line functioning properly. So that's, that's where I am most concerned in terms of the transit issues.

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Real Estate

McLean & Great Falls Quarterly Market Analysis of Home Sales (Based on Sold Price):

2020 1st to 3rd Qtr Total Sales: 914										
	>\$3 Mil	\$2-3 Mil	\$1.25-2 Mil	\$1-\$1.25 Mil	\$750k-\$1 Mil	<\$750k				
Zip Code										
22101	17	36	139	54	108	9				
22102	8	11	57	28	21	178				
22066	6	15	90	57	66	14				
	Total: 31	Total: 62	Total: 286	Total: 139	Total: 195	Total: 20				
	Combined Total Upper Brackets: 379			Combined Total Lower Brackets: 535						

Real Estate Market 1st to 3rd Quarter Comparison 2020 to 2019 to 2010 in McLean and Great Falls.

		201	9 1st to 3rd Q	tr Total Sales:	920	
Zip Code	>\$3 Mil	\$2-3 Mil	\$1.25-2 Mil	\$1-\$1.25 Mil	\$750k-\$1 Mil	<\$750k
22101	8	36	110	67	124	34
22102	11	13	37	41	37	195
22066	5	7	59	49	66	21
	Total: 24	Total: 56	Total: 206	Total:157	Total: 227	Total: 250
	Combined Total Upper Brackets: 286			Combined Total Lower Brackets: 634		
		201	0 1 st to 3 rd Q	tr Total Sales:	706	
Zip Code	>\$3 Mil	\$2-3 Mil	\$1.25-2 Mil	\$1-\$1.25 Mil	\$750k-\$1 Mil	<\$750k
22101	5	6	45	42	81	117
22102	5	13	19	19	38	145

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 Total: 11
 Total: 27
 Total: 119
 Total: 94
 Total: 170
 Total: 285

 Combined Total Upper Brackets: 157

Home As a Safe Haven

Home sales in McLean and Great Falls in 2020 similar in total count with 2019.

By Karen Briscoe

he first three quarters of 2020 have come to a close and the number of real estate transactions in McLean and Great Falls have been tallied. Year over year, sales are relatively similar in total count with 914 in 2020 compared to 920 in 2019. The even better news is the local real estate market has considerably improved over 2010, which came in at only 706. That represents an increase in sales of almost 30 percent over the last decade.

The first quarter was more springlike than is typical for the Northern Virginia winter season. There was a lot of pent-up buyer demand in many segments of McLean and Great Falls. The emergence of COVID-19 later in the quarter led to volatility in the stock market and many people sought the security of a home as a safe haven. The US Department of Homeland Security Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security (CISA) recognizes housing as a basic human need and thus includes residential real estate activities in the list of essential services during the crisis.

Home for many now represents the place where people live, work, play, educate their children, as well as enjoy physical activity and entertainment. As our nation and world navigate the impact of COVID-19, people still find themselves in situations where they have a need to make a move!

In the local McLean and Great Falls area, the greatest impact for the first three quarters was in the upper brackets, priced over \$1.25 million. In particular, the \$1.25 million to \$2 million price range realized the most significant gain with 286 sales in 2020 which represents a 39 percent increase over 2019 of 206 sales. The upper brackets most commonly include estate type properties which offer the advantages of more physical space for interior living as well as outdoor areas. Homes in good show condition and priced correctly for the market are in low supply. With strong www.CONNECTIONNEWSPAPERS.COM



Karen Briscoe with her business partner Lizzy Conroy.

demand and lower supply, many segments are experiencing price appreciation for the first time in over a decade. These market conditions are advantageous for Sellers considering a move.

The real estate community continues to serve customers and clients in almost all capacities. Industry professionals have responded quickly to provide the safest and most secure service to all. Agents continue to list houses for sale, show houses to buyers, write contracts and settle on transactions. Meeting the demand to use technology and go virtual, the real estate arena has shifted to offer Zoom meetings, eSigning, and online notary cam closings. When activities are best conducted in person, real estate and related professionals follow CDC guidelines to take necessary precautions for the safety of all parties.

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PHOTO COURTESY VIENNA THEATER COMPANY Vienna Theatre Company "In Living Sound" -- selected cast and crew Zoom screenshot.

Live Theater is Back

Vienna Theater Company opens "In Living Sound" at Vienna Community Center.

By David Siegel The Connection

orking to bring original entertainment to the community during the current pandemic, the Vienna Theater Company (VTC) in association with the Vienna Department of Parks and Recreation has developed a unique opportunities to enjoy theater; either as a live, in-person production or in a Zoom digital format.

"As a gift to our patrons, we offer free of charge shows in two performance formats to accommodate these unusual times," said Laura Fargotstein, Vienna Community Players. VTC is the resident non-profit performing arts company in Vienna. It has a nearly five decade long performance history. The Vienna Community Center follows public health and safety recommendations for social distancing and face coverings.

"In Living Sound" is original entertainment conceived by the Vienna Community Theatre. The production will allow audiences to enjoy radio style entertainment from three American classic radio series in one sitting. The series are of different genres including lighthearted comedy, detective and sci-fi drama. "In Living Sounds" will feature dramatized episodes from "Gunsmoke," "X Minus One" and "Sam Spade." The VTC shows will include theatrical costume pieces and live sound effects.

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WHERE AND WHEN

- Vienna Community Players performing "In Living Sound" a radio drama. Live performances at Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St. SE, Vienna. Friday evenings at 7 p.m. on Oct. 23, 24, and Saturday matinees on Oct. 30 and 31 at 2 p.m. Tickets are free of charge. Reservations requested. Seating capacity limited to 21 people. For live performances please arrive between 10-20 minutes early to allow for safe entry and seating arrangement. Performances will be about 90 minutes in length. There will be no concessions sold. Details at www.Viennatheatrecompany.org
- Virtual live performances will be available online via Zoom on Saturday evenings, October 24 and 31 at 7 p.m. Link to Zoom virtual performance posted at 6 p.m. on day of performance or email "VTCshows@yahoo.com." to receive email notification. Details at www.Viennatheatrecompany.org
- Note: For live performances Vienna Community Center (VCC) is following public health and safety recommendations including mandatory face coverings for staff, volunteers and patrons. Social distancing required. Staff will provide seating arrangement. VCC staff will sanitize chairs, door knobs and other relevant services between performances. Entering the VCC building patrons required to complete a COVID release form. Details at www.viennava.gov/ DocumentCenter/View/5678



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NOW THRU DEC. 7

MCC Fantastic Fall Scavenger Hunt. Join your friends, family and community for McLean Community Center's Fantastic Fall Scavenger Hunt. This exciting fall virtual event allows for you and your team to compete against others and win prizes. This is the perfect event to stay local and have fun with your friends and family. The Fantastic Fall Scavenger Hunt is a game played on a smart phone in which teams complete 75 missions (or challenges) both indoors and outdoors. Missions include answering questions, taking specific photos or videos, finding a specific item, geocaching or completing specific tasks as given in a list provided by the Game Master. The scavenger hunt will take place in and around McLean and from your own home. Participants work in small teams of 4-10 players. Team captains must be 16 years old or older. Visit the website www.McLeancenter.org.

NIGHTMARE ALLEY

The Workhouse Arts Center announces that "Nightmare Alley" Haunted Drive-Thru is coming to Lorton for this year's Halloween season. "Nightmare Alley" is the first immersive drive-thru Halloween experience in the region. Zombies, swamp creatures, creepy clowns, and scary dolls are among 13 different scary scenes taking up residence on the Workhouse campus. These new campus inhabitants will scare and entertain visitors experiencing the attraction from the safety of their cars. There will be 13 nights of fright, now through Saturday, Oct. 31. Fridays and Saturdays from 7-11 p.m. each weekend in October, and Sundays in the middle of the month (October 25) from 7-10 p.m. Visit https://www.workhousearts.org/ nightmare-alley/

OCT. 22-25

Calling all runners. The Ethiopian Community Development Council, Inc. will have its National Run for Refugees, a virtual 5K. Over 3 days you can run (or walk) your race wherever you are and submit your time miles to the ranking. You can also set up your own peer fundraising page. Through your participation you can help raise donations and awareness for refugees. Please sign up here: https:// www.jbsports.com/ecdc-virtual-national-run-for-refugees

OCT. 23-25; AND OCT. 30-NOV. 1 The Alden Theatre at the McLean

Community Center (MCC) is presenting its third and final fall performance of its popular, socially distanced theater program, Drive-Thru Drama in October. New York City-based company Recent Cutbacks was commissioned by The Alden to write the new show, "Objects in Mirror May Be Spookier Than They Appear." The show will be presented over three weekends, from 6 p.m.-8:15 p.m., Friday-Sunday, Oct. 23-25 and Oct. 30-Nov. 1. Tickets are \$20 per car/\$15 MCC tax district residents. The performances will be held in the parking lot of MCC at 1234 Ingleside Ave. Visit: www.aldentheatre.org or call 703-790-0123, TTY: 711.

FRIDAY/OCT. 23 AND NOV. 6

Evening Campfire. 7 to 8:30 p.m. At Lake Fairfax Park, 1400 Lake Fairfax Drive, Reston. Come to Lake Fairfax Park for an evening campfire the whole family can enjoy. Explore the wonders of the natural world through activities, such as nature walks, animal presentations and interactive fun. Learn about nature and our place in it. Topics vary by date. Of course, no campfire would be complete without s'mores. The cost is \$12 per person, and the events are designed for participants age 3 to adult. Children must be accompanied by a registered adult. Call 703-471-5414.

FRIDAY/OCT. 23

Fine W(h)ine: Cabaret. 7-8 p.m. Online. Rev. Russell and Amy have long histories with wine and whining. Tune in to this live fundraiser comedy show, and donate according to how hard you laugh (or groan). Visit the website: https://2020-10-fine-whine. eventbrite.com/?aff=cxnnews

SATURDAY/OCT. 24

You're Majoring in What? -- The Journey to Become a Theatre Artist Against Your Parents' Wishes. 2 p.m. Part of the Virtual Round Table Discussion Series at 1st Stage in Tysons. Free. In these forums, they'll talk and share questions and thoughts with artists, actors, designers, musicians and directors about experiences they have faced as professional artists. Artists participating include Debra Kim Sivigny, Bob Barlett, Ron OJ Parsons, José Carrasquillo, Thembi Duncan, and more. Pre-registration is required and space is limited. Registration is available now at www.1ststage.org.

SATURDAY/OCT. 24

Running of the Ghost 5K. 4 p.m. At House 6 Brewing Company, Ashburn. With Halloween in the air, they are celebrating the 11th running of the Ghost 5k. Runners are encouraged to run in costume. The event centers on the spooktacular theme of Halloween and incorporates a virtual costume contest, and a "haunted" 3.1 mile course! Great fun for the entire family. All registered runners will receive a commemorative technical long sleeve glow in the dark race shirt, glow in the dark medal, and Halloween candy mailed to their home. The ghostly 5k lollipop style course through the surrounding neighborhoods of One Loudoun will be open for one hour after the start of the race. Digital timing will be used to capture finishing time. Awards to overall & overall second place Male and Female, first and second male and female in the following

age groups will be mailed to each winner: 10 and under, 11 - 12, 13 - 14, 15 - 18, 19 - 29, 30 - 39, 40 - 49, 50 - 59, 60 - 69, 70 +. Register on-line at www.Ghost5k. com. For more information email: Ghost5k@m-b-logistics.com Connect on social media: www.facebook.com/ghost5k, @Ghost-5kandScarecrowSprint

SATURDAY/OCT. 24

"An Evening with Jim Van Slyke." 7:30 p.m. At NextStop Theatre, 269 Sunset Park Drive, Herndon. Award winning singer, songwriter and recording artist, Jim Van Slyke has headlined sold out appearances on concert stages around the globe including New York's historic Friars Club, Feinstein's at Lowes Regency, and Birdland Jazz Club. Visit www. nextstoptheatre.org/the-parkinglot-concerts.

SATURDAY/OCT. 24

- Making a Scarecrow. At Sully Historic Site, 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly. Family members of all ages are invited to celebrate the season by creating a scarecrow to use for a fall decoration. Just bring some old clothing to stuff with hay, and afterward, pose with your new friend and take a picture in front of our 1794 Federal style home.
- Family or pod groups of up to six people will have their own area outside for creating their friend. There will be six family groups per 45-minute session. Slots are still available; make your reservation at least two days before the event. The cost is \$20 per family. The rain date is Oct. 25, 2020. Call 703-437-1794.

SUNDAY/OCT. 25

Virtual: McLean Uncorked. 5-6 p.m. Wine Down the Fall—A Wine Tasting Experience at Home. Enjoy a true wine experience, one sip at a time, connecting with wonderful wines and fellow wine lovers. Unique wines will be available to pre-purchase by registrants at Chain Bridge Cellars in McLean. For beginners and connoisseurs alike, this wine experience will not disappoint! A wine expert will lead this session and explore various aspects of the art of wine including terroir, production, grape varietals, structure, food/ wine interaction, pairing and much more. Participants must purchase wine separately. Free; registration is required.

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Officers Charged in Ghaisar's Death

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held hearings in Congress to demand answers. We've called on the Justice Department, the FBI, and the Park Police to provide transparency and accountability. Yet, we've been given no answers, no explanation, and no justice," U.S. Representatives Jennifer Wexton (D-VA) and Don Beyer (D-VA) and Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC) said in a joint statement. "After nearly three years of stonewalling, lies, and cover up, this is a major leap forward towards the justice that the Ghaisar family deserves."

"The DOJ would rather close the book on this case and move on -- but we refuse to let that happen until justice is done," they said. "We applaud Fairfax Commonwealth's Attorney Steve Descano for taking this necessary action to hold those involved with Bijan's killing responsible."

In Living Sound

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Fargotstein directs the "Gunsmoke" episode, "Chester's Dilemma" first aired on Jan. 31, 1960. It is a warm, humorous celebration of human nature, set soon after the arrival of the railroad in the frontier town of Dodge City, Kansas, during the settlement of the American West in the late 19th century.

Tom Epps will direct the "X Minus One" episode titled "Mars is Heaven." It first aired on radio on May 8, 1955. The drama is set in what was then the future time; 1987. Humanity has finally landed on Mars. But Mars is not exactly what the explorers were expecting, yet very familiar. The "Sam Spade" series episode "The Blood Money Caper," will be directed by Jessie Roberts. This radio drama was first aired on Sept. 29, 1946. It is a tale of the hardboiled detective "Sam Spade." The radio series was based on the character created by American writer Dashiell Hammett in his 1930 novel and later famous classic movie, "The Maltese Falcon."

VTC's "In Living Sound" includes a nine member ensemble. Each actor will play multiple roles across each of the three very different shows. The cast members include: Turner Bridgforth, Mary Ann Hall, Nancy Lyons, Steve Palkovitz, Heather Plank, Ann Storck, Eric Storck, Pete Storck, and John Vasko.



J. Reimers of Falls Church with A. Borpujari, Fundraiser Treasurer.



K. Robbert of Alexandria and T. Spulak of McLean

McLean AAUV Raises \$25,700 for Women's Education

The McLean Area Branch of AAUW thanks the many Northern Virginians who contributed to their fundraising campaigns for AAUW Funds and scholarships for women returning to college. After their annual used book sale was cancelled for 2020, fundraisers were held to make up for the loss of the book sale proceeds, including one featuring 3 baseballs signed by Nationals pitcher Max Scherzer with "2019 World Series Champs." Ihe new owners of the baseballs are K. Robbett of Alexandria, T. Spulak of McLean, and J. Reimers of Falls Church. The baseball fundraiser raised more than \$11,500, and individual donors added another \$12,200. The branch also applied the \$2,000 rental fee that was returned from the McLean

Community Center when the sale had to be cancelled, making the grand total of \$25,700.

All of the proceeds will be split equally between the three scholarships for Marymount, George Mason, and Trinity universities and national AAUW Funds, which support fellowships and grants for women along with research and equity programs for women and girls. While the total can't match the \$47,000 from the 2019 book sale, it will still enable the branch to provide the scholarships.

The branch looks forward to seeing everyone at a September 2021 Used Book Sale at the McLean Community Center.

For more information about AAUW and the McLean Branch, visit http://mc-lean-va.aauw.net.



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The bigger question, the overriding concern/anxiety is what exactly the thyroid cancer is doing now having been left unmedicated for the last nine days? How irreparable is the damage being done when the cancer has been left unchecked? Moreover, to the extent there has been some damage, is restarting treatment even an option or have I already failed the tolerance test? Being a cancer patient is a never-ending series of questions and/or concerns for which there is hardly clarity. As I have been led to believe/ educated since my initial lung cancer diagnosis, there will be no more guarantees coming.

But of course improvements in cancer treatment and ongoing research have improved survivability, and with many patients, myself included, turned the cancer treatment into a chronic disease type protocol, like diabetes. Nevertheless, cancer is in control, the doctors are not. There are no slam-dunks in cancer treatment. How would I ever be able to unwind myself from years of stress and fear just because? I couldn't. A cancer patient today sort of means, I'll likely be a cancer patient tomorrow. I don't see how I could shake that self-image.

Somehow, I must, as I'm trying to do now, exult in the joy of a semi uncomplicated, side-effect free existence because it's not guaranteed. I must try even harder to compartmentalize the unknown while savoring this known, relatively easy time It's not promised and it's not necessarily likely to occur again, certainly not after I return to treatment. But maybe, my new normal will be switching on and off treatment, sort of like I did while being infused with alimta. Though I still had my CT scans quarterly, so long as the scans showed stable, we kept extending the interval between infusions. The goal being to balance effect on the tumors with the quality of life (freedom from side effects and infusion appointments). Eventually, we stretched the interval to as much as seven weeks from the original three enabling me to live - occasionally, a semi cancer free life. Perhaps this on-again, off-again schedule might apply to this recent thyroid treatment. I have to hope because the side effects, as I alluded to initially, have been affecting my quality of life. And if there's one factor driving my better-than expected survival, it has been my attitude, which has derived directly from my management of side effects. Anecdotally speaking (or presuming) being in a good mood, being able to function with normal parameters (to quote Data from "Star Trek: Next Generation") has been a tremendous contributor to my life expectancy (my oncologist refers to me "as his third miracle")

But I can't know for sure. And of course, that's the crux of the problem for many of us cancer patients. One can never know for sure if you're hindering or helping; and since guarantees stopped being made on the ground-zero day you were diagnosed with a "terminal disease"' it's often difficult to know which path to follow. Right now, it's easy to follow the path which is creating a more normal/pleasant quality of life. But at what cost? I can't know what the tumors are doing. Perhaps, in taking a break from treatment, I have unleashed the cancer once again. That's my dilemma: reconciling the present with the future, the ear with the familiar, the hope with the inevitable And it's likely I'll never know if what I've done has been a help or a hindrance. Yet somehow, I have to make plans and decisions."Tomorrow is another day." Lest, I be gone with the wind.

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