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Help for Your Computer Problems

By Joseph LaFiandra

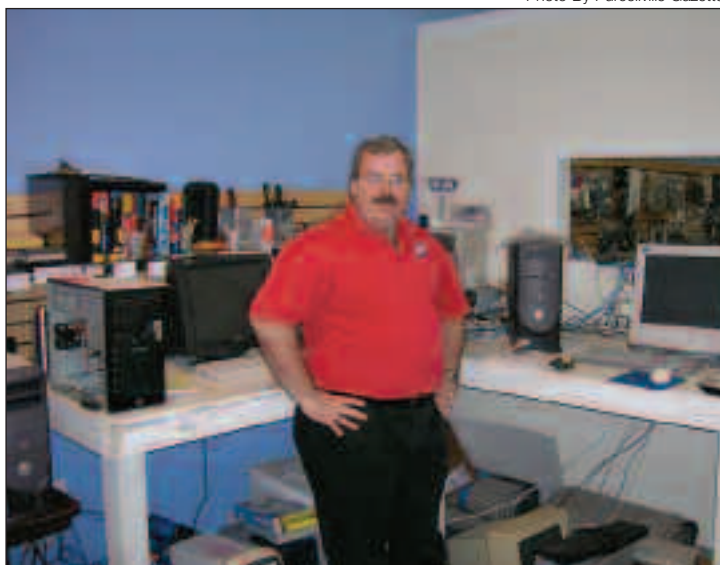


Photo By Purcellville Gazette

Mike Parker, computer guru and the owner of Purcellville Computers

Let's face it; the personal computer is a machine upon which we have become dependent. We can live without our toasters or dishwashers, but the computer is in the same category of necessities as the telephone or automobile. We send e-mail, do our banking, check out stocks, buy products, and run our businesses with computers and yet it is one of the most unreliable electronic appliances conceived by the mind of man. It freezes up for no apparent reason, gets attacked by Internet viruses and worms or just dies at the wrong time.

We have become so dependent on computers that when they don't work, it is catastrophic. When this happens we need help quickly. That is why we are lucky to have a business in town that can provide speedy computer service, Purcellville Computers.

Purcellville Computers is located in the Breezeway in the Loudoun Valley Shopping Center off of Main Street. It was started up a couple of years ago by Mike Parker, a computer and software guru as a one-stop computer center for Western Loudoun. In

addition to selling a wide variety of computers, printers, computer accessories and software, Mike fixes your computer when it goes bad. He has a staff of three people with regular store hours from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday. But it gets better than that; he makes house calls. He can come to your house or business and diagnose your computer or network problem, fix it on the spot or take it to the shop if that's not possible. As Mike told me, "We specialize in customer service since anything we sell can be found somewhere else." He will also let you know quickly if the cost of the repairs warrants the purchase of a new computer.

The repairs can be as simple as finding that a power plug is not firmly in the wall (as was recently the case with one of his customers) or as complex as recovering valuable business hard drive data from a damaged machine run over by a truck. Mike has experience in dealing with all types of computer problems. For

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Mayor Delivers State Of Purcellville Address: Credits Team Effort

By Judy Stearns

Purcellville Mayor Bill Druhan read his 1,500 word State of the Town of Purcellville address during the January 10th Town Council meeting. He has done so at the January meeting each year since he took office in July 2002. His goal is "to provide an overview of the year's accomplishments and to take a look at goals for the new year."

He commended the Town Council, Town staff, citizen boards, commissions, advisory groups and volunteers for their "commitment, dedication and untiring work" and said that "it is truly a team effort."

The Mayor said, "Our Town's economic prosperity has once again contributed to our healthy financial report." Purcellville is a desirable place to live and shop, he commented. The Town continues to welcome "new businesses or the expansion of existing businesses." He pledged that one of the Council's primary goals is to offset residential real estate taxes through increased commercial growth.

Purcellville has grown from 5,500 residents in July 2004 to approximately 6,200 in July of 2005. He said this growth has impacted real



Photo Courtesy of the Druhan Family

Mayor Bill Druhan

estate assessments with a 20% increase in tax years 2004 and 2005. Information received from the County Assessor's office indicates the increase for 2006 will be slightly less at around 15%. The Town reduced its real estate tax from \$.24 for 2002 to \$.20 in tax year in 2005 in response to the high assessment increases. "The Town Council remains committed to setting the lowest tax rate possible while balancing the need for high quality services and maintaining a healthy reserve fund balance," the Mayor said. For the first time, the Council adopted Town fiscal policies on the reserves and set a debt cap.

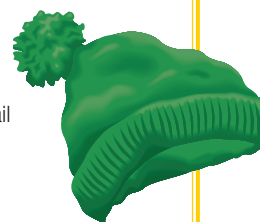
The demand for public services has required the Town to hire several new employees to keep up with the demand. By offering competitive salaries and benefits, the Town continues to be able to attract and retain very qualified staff.

One of the highest priorities was to locate a state-of-the-art fire and rescue facility at Hirst Road and N. Maple

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Find the Winter Hat

This issue, we are hiding a winter hat. The hat, pictured here, is hiding somewhere in the Gazette. If you find it, e-mail the Gazette at purcellvillegazette@yahoo.com or call 540.662.0852.



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Editorial

Why Are We So Schizophrenic?

The US consumer for years has always acted strangely in the way it purchases its goods. We want the best cars for our own personal use, but want others to be more economical. Take for example the recent Detroit Auto Show. While the manufacturers were promoting the new "crossover" vehicles with better fuel economy, the retro cars and hybrids stole the show, each representing the two extremes in new cars. Re-introducing the new old Camaro, or perhaps the new old Challenger as well as the latest hybrid from GM is exciting, but strange. Americans want to eat healthy, but then go to McDonalds because they are in a rush. We seek vengeance for acts of evil but then lose focus quickly; we like to appoint intelligent persons for the US Supreme Court, but then don't bother to ask them questions just so we can hear ourselves talk (Thanks, Sen. Kennedy!) We, as a community, like it both ways.

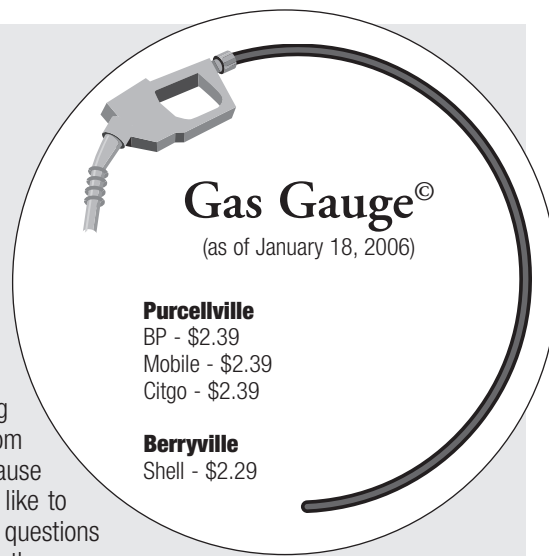
OK, what does this have to do with Northern Virginia or even Loudoun County? When the time came to help Loudoun grow in the 80s, we reduced zoning to three acres. Now that we have succeeded in getting the world's attention, it needs to stop. A-3 zoning is dead. No Mas! Loudoun wanted our own shopping areas for convenience and for revenue; however now we have too much of it and traffic is getting more difficult. Again, we are not placing blame, it is just that as readers and residents sometimes we need to consider where we came from and where we are going before we go off half cocked.

Last year, the Purcellville Gazette talked to a new resident in Locust Grove. Let's say her name is "Karen." She and her family moved from Alexandria and wanted to move to Loudoun because of the schools, a bigger house and "small town" feel. She drives a Volvo wagon and he drives his large SUV and they have third car in a garage for those "Sunday" drives. They are great members of the community and have participated in many events around town. They are a great addition. However, before they arrived, the folks in Purcellville fought against their neighborhood and indicated that there were not enough roads and schools to handle the additional load. But then again, they did not know "Karen" and her family. They were adamant about growth and were tired of see house after house built, not realizing what the turn By-right and or what all the various zoning issues were. They just saw more houses and how it was going to affect their life.

It has been about fourteen months and we have gone back to talk to Karen about her feelings today. To no surprise, she openly says that growth is out of control, the schools are overcrowded and traffic is bad. She even went so far as to say that the Board of Supervisors and Town Council have lost control of the growth in our area. When we reminded her that it was only a year ago that she moved here, she quickly stated that her circumstances were different. Yes, they were different; it was her family and not the other persons. Her family is now taking a more active role in local politics, working to fight any new growth but also asking why we can't get a Trader Joe's in western Loudoun or perhaps a Starbucks. Isn't it ironic how our views change so fast when it comes to our own personal interests.

Yes, we are all a little schizophrenic. But we need to remember where we came from and why we did what we did. Creating a better western Loudoun is achievable. But going after those people who farmed Loudoun is not beneficial and ignoring the cries for a new plan for managed growth must be heard. Organizations such as the PEC and CPR only help the community galvanize themselves one way or another, leaving most of us searching for a better alternative. Yes, it is a yang and yang of Loudoun County. Let's hope that 2006 will bring a better balance for all of us.

Then again, perhaps we all could use some shock therapy.



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Letters to the Editor

Put the Brakes On

There is a disturbing trend going on within our town. It is the apparent need for the town to control more and more of our daily lives. The result is higher taxes and a more hostile environment for business. Every time the town fathers create a commission or other body to regulate some aspect of the community, it implies more work for the town staff which eventually ends up creating additional staff positions. We now control trees and have an architecture review panel that even dictates what color a business may paint its building. Now we are adding a historic overlay district on top of all the other controls. Who pays for all of this? Ultimately, we, the taxpayers do. It may be in the form of increased taxes directly,

users fees, or higher prices for items we buy in town. Every tax or fee imposed on a business must always be passed onto the consumers of the goods or services of the business or the business will cease to exist.

The environment is becoming more hostile to the business community. If the trend continues we will drive business away from our town. As an example of where Purcellville is headed, ask yourself if the existing main street tractor supply company could be built in Purcellville today. I suspect that most people would conclude that the present "Boutiques Only" attitude of the Town Council would prohibit such an enterprise. Yet this company is likely to represent the real ancestry of Purcellville. This town was a rural commerce hub supporting the local farms. Yes, the old mill does make a nice restaurant. However, the history of Purcellville is not about fine eateries. This was a blue collar town supporting local agriculture. It seems as though the current administration wants to out Middleburg Middleburg. The "Boutiques Only" attitude does not appear to be in accord with the

history of the town. It seems ironic that as we approach Purcellville's centennial year I see such an effort to change the characteristic of the town by the same group that purports to want to limit growth and keep western Loudoun as a rural agricultural area.

We need to return freedom to the town. We need to eliminate all of these functions in the town that are not essential to town management. That means the town needs to get out of the business of dictating non-structural architectural issues such as paint schemes to local buildings and controlling the foliage in a development. Think of it, the developer for the Giant shopping center planted trees around the development to make it appealing to consumers. However, if the developer allows the trees to mature, he will lose control of the site and perhaps be limited when the site needs to be upgraded in 20 or 30 years. The message being sent is either don't plant trees or replace them before they get mature otherwise the town may prevent him from cutting a tree he planted. We are not talking about virgin growth trees here, just

normal ornamental trees routinely planted by developers.

What it really boils down to is trust. We need to trust our fellow man to paint his building in good taste. We can't legislate good taste. If a business were to paint his property with some outlandish color scheme, his customers would most likely let him know. If he plants trees when he develops a property, we must trust that he would do something similar should he re-develop the site.

I believe that it is not a coincidence that the cost of town government (excluding the utility fund) has gone from \$2.2 M for FY 03-04 to a whopping \$10.7M for FY 05-06. That means the current administration has quadrupled the expenditures at the same time they have been increasing the number of controls over all aspects of the town life. Every time there are more government functions we end up with more staff. Every staff member the town hires cost every household in Purcellville approximately \$75 annually. How much is enough? I doubt that we can ever satisfy the current control freaks. Put the brakes on this spending binge! It is time to roll back the clock, cut the functions of the town government, cut the staff and cut taxes. Perhaps by our centennial year, Purcellville can restore itself to the nice small town it once was.

Ben Belrose
Purcellville



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An Article Worth Many Compliments

In the December 16, 2005, edition of The Purcellville Gazette, Bobbi Carducci wrote a wonderful and flattering article about me and my book. I have gotten many compliments as a result of Ms. Carducci's article. I thank her and you for allowing me to be a part of your publication.

If you would allow me to clarify one part of the article, I would certainly appreciate it. In the article, it was stated that doctors encouraged my parents to put me in an institution due to my disability. And although the doctors made many bleak comments about how I would develop, they never suggested to put me in an institution.

Again, thank you to The Purcellville Gazette for letting me tell my story. I really appreciate it.

Christyna Hunter
Lovettsville

Lighten Up

I hope the Gazette is not going to be a disappointment. We welcomed your publication into our home because it was upbeat, fun, and family-friendly. It shows the droll sense of humor that the much esteemed Editor Frank Rafla showed in his, "The Public

Pamphlet," which alas ceased publication. His motto was "Good News Only."

Unfortunately, the Gazette seems to be taking a negative tone, as one begins the first issue of the year on page two. The publisher, Ben Weber, (former) candidate for Supervisor Burton's seat may be expected to run for the seat again, and it would do his image good to be circumspect, rather than appear to be sucking sour grapes. If editorials are devoted to attacking his former opponent are to set the tone of the Gazette, aren't we getting into the realm of muckraking, rather than fun and family? And the tone of letters that speak of supposed sex under a desk by a former national leader kind of isn't where most of us want to dwell. Senior Editor LaFiandra needs to lighten up too. Broad charges of anti-Americanism in disagreements isn't what we were taught about democracy in school. Isn't there enough ugliness and negativity and hatred in this world, world without coming unbidden into our homes?

Vicki Gallant
Hamilton

Editor's Note: The Purcellville Gazette takes pride in presenting a variety of articles of interest to our local readers. The above writer was an avid Burton supporter

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Computer Problems

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example, one of his customers complained that her machine was operating sluggishly. After he removed 6268 viruses (a record number), everything worked perfectly. He also had the experience of repairing a printer that required the extraction of one necklace, two earrings and one bracelet before it functioned properly. In one case where a customer needed her computer the next day for a business trip, he worked all hours of the night to get it fixed. I can attest to his personal

service provided to me on the day I interviewed him for this article. Just as I was ready to record his interview, my new hand held recorder refused to work. I changed the batteries with the same result. He asked to look at it and quickly found the problem, a pause switch in the wrong position. Sometimes the repair is as simple as that.

Mike has several suggestions to keep your computer running well. First make sure you have all the updates to your computer's operating system (Windows for most of us). They can be automatically downloaded from Microsoft. He also suggests that the computer have antivirus, anti spyware and firewall software to combat the threats from the Internet. Many of these programs are free or have low annual update costs. He emphasized that keeping these programs up-to-date is essential to combat the constantly changing assaults on your computer from the Internet.

So if your computer goes on the fritz, give Mike a call, 540.338.6701. He can help you out.

Joseph LaFiandra is a retired electronics sales and marketing executive. Originally from the New York City area, he has served as an elected councilman on Long Island. He is the former president of the Brown's Farm HOA. ♦

Out of Order by Ben Lansing



Mayor

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Avenue. The Council has been working with Supervisors Jim Clem (Leesburg) and Jim Burton (Blue Ridge) as well as Rescue Company 14 and Fire Company 2 to move the project forward expeditiously and work through the approval process.

The Mayor talked about the much needed western high school. The Town through its ongoing discussions with the Board of Supervisors and School Board is committed to finding a suitable site for that school which is targeted to open in 2008.

Transportation is a high priority, he said. Some of the progress made in the last year includes: Securing \$740,000 in State funding for for transportation projects; Obtaining \$340,000 for pedestrian/trail projects; Main/Maple Intersection Project – Phase I of three has been completed and Phase II preliminary design is underway; and State approval for traffic lights at Hatcher and 23rd Street to improve traffic flow; and the continuation to look for funds through VDOT, TEA-21, development proffers, public/private partnerships, county, state and federal resources to fund transportation priorities.


The construction of the Centennial Reservoir is an ongoing project that needs to go through State and Federal review and will address the Town's water producing and storage capability. The Town had to implement

water restrictions for several months this summer because of increased demand and rainfall shortage.

Other highlights the Mayor addressed: the formation of Architectural Review Board to review commercial site plans; Historic Corridor Overlay was adopted to protect historic structures from demolition; the Citizen outreach on the Comprehensive and PUGAMP Plans; the second Town Council Planning Retreat and adopted priority list; and the facilitation of the Carver Senior Center scheduled to open in June 2006.

Mayor Druhan commended citizen volunteer committees: Planning Commission under direction of Chairman Dennis Beese worked on revision of Comprehensive Plan and final revision of PUGAMP; Under the leadership of Chairman Larry Ferrigno, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, group completed the Parks and Recreation Master Plan; The Economic Development Advisory Committee chaired by Michael Belofsky, along with the Economic Development Committee, saw continued success with the Farmers Market, Purcellville Day, 4th of July Pride of Purcellville, Cruise-in and Town-wide Tag Sale. The Purcellville Teen Center was given a contribution of \$14,000 by the Town when federal rules changed the way grant money could be spent. The Center was threatened with closure by December. Representative Frank Wolf came up with a \$30,000 grant which will keep the Center running through 2006.

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The Mayor recognized and lauded the Purcellville Citizens Support Team led by Charlie O'Hara. The Team supplements the Police Department and helps with monitoring at many Town events.

The Mayor had special recognition for Town Manager Rob Lohr "for his professionalism and leadership" and thanked "our Town staff." He credits them with keeping things running smoothly. He thanked the Fire and Rescue personnel, volunteer and paid. He also voiced his appreciation to all the volunteers who

"contribute to the great quality of life of Purcellville."

The Mayor concluded with congratulations to the Loudoun Valley Girls Varsity Volleyball Team (3-time AA State champions) and the AAA National District Champions Viking Football Team who in their first season of triple A play won their division and made it to the playoffs. He ended with a hearty, "Go Vikings."

To read the address in its entirety, go to the Town website at www.purcellvilleva.com ♦

Quite a Turnaround for the Redskins in Gibbs Second Season

By The Foggy Bottom Boy

In Joe Gibbs' second season as the head coach in the Gibbs II era, the Redskins experienced a dramatic turnaround reversing their 6 – 10 record of 2004 for a 10 – 6 record in 2005. The highlight of this season was their five game winning streak at the end which resulted in them being in the playoffs for the first time since 1999. Their playoff victory over Tampa Bay was an opportunistic victory over a team that had defeated them in a heartbreaking, last-second loss earlier in the season.

While their playoff loss to the Seattle Seahawks exposed the vulnerabilities of the offense of the Redskins, the heart and character of this team has restored respectability to this once-proud franchise. As Coach Gibbs likes to say, "He has found his guys". In this offseason, Gibbs needs to improve the offensive talent of the Redskins at wide receiver and possibly find another quality backup offensive lineman; they also need to find a placekicker that can make a 39-yard field goal in the clutch. The kicker also has to be able to kick the ball farther on kickoffs

without straining a quadriceps muscle.

While the Redskins season has to be declared a total success (they went as far as anyone could go with the talent they had), there are some key offseason personnel decisions that have to be made which will greatly impact the future of the team. First and foremost, do they keep LaVar Arrington and pay him a lucrative bonus in 2006? If they get rid of him, they will take a significant salary cap hit that will restrict the type of players they can bring in to fill their glaring offensive weaknesses. If they cut him, they will have to re-negotiate other players contracts to minimize the impact. FBB would "cut my losses" and let him go; he's a shadow of what he once was; his interception in the Tampa Bay playoff game showed that he can't run anymore . . . injuries have taken their toll on him. He's also not a team player in Gregg Williams' defensive scheme and is not the "difference-maker" he once was. While the decision to let him go would not be popular with the fans who wear his "56" jersey at games, it's time to move on.

The Redskins also have to make a decision regarding Loudoun County resident, Patrick Ramsey. While he performed admirably when

called upon in a critical game against the New York Giants, he looks like he has a permanent case of "happy feet" in the pocket; his mobility is limited and he looks like he's shell-shocked from the beating he took when the "ol' Ball Coach" was at Redskin Park. He's a class guy on-and-off the field and deserves the chance to start somewhere in the NFL . .it's just not going to be here.

FBB would like to see the Redskins improve the talent level through the draft and be less dependent on the free agent market. That's how the most successful teams in the league do it. Unfortunately, FBB doesn't have a lot of confidence in "Vinnie's" scouting system; this team could still use a real General Manager to support Gibbs (a la a Bobby Beathard type).

The most important decision the 'Skins have made is to keep assistant head coach (defense), Gregg Williams around and off the head coaching carousel in the NFL (remember, NFL stands for "Not For Long"). In two years with the 'Skins, this guy has worked miracles with a bunch of no-names that work very well as a unit. Williams has these guys "drinking the kool-aid". However, to get deeper into the playoffs, they are going to need better talent . .they still need a bonified pass rusher and need someone to replace Arrington.

In closing, FBB kudos to Coach Gibbs . . .Hail to the Redskins!!!!

Sport Short Takes:

- While Joe Gibbs has now proven that he can run the Redskins without Dan Snyder's "help", Dannyboy has been off building an entertainment empire . . first Six Flags . . and now he's buying up small, local radio stations. "Danny the De-foliator" has now become "Danny the DJ"; it has a great ring to it, doesn't it??? (As a graduate of the Columbia School of Broadcasting, FBB finds this very intriguing . . .rockin' and rollin' with Danny the DJ!!!!) He does have a resemblance to Wolfman Jack . . in a different kind of light!

- This is the Year of the Dog in the Chinese New Year which should fit in nicely with Teddy Online's team, the Washington Capitals; they are a "dog" of a hockey franchise. Teddy cut his payroll in the firesale he held before the strike season (he could have gotten more for his players on eBay) and now he's paying for it.

- It will be interesting to see what happens to Marcus Vick, former Hokies QB. . .hard to believe that Coach Frank Beamer didn't know about the alledged December 17th incident before the January 1, 2006 Gator Bowl . . .hhmmmmmm. ♦

Models Prepare to Hit the Runway for March Fashion Show

By Judy Stearns

The Western Loudoun Optimist Club met with Valley DECA members January 6th to start organizing for the March 21st Fashion Show at The Loudoun Golf and Country Club in Purcellville. The evening will include dinner and music by LJ the DJ and will run from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. The Gazette was on hand to listen in on the plans.

Five years ago the Optimist membership was looking for an opportunity to provide a student scholarship. Committee chair May Liz McCauley came up with the fashion show idea. She turned to Valley Marketing Coordinator and DECA Advisor Steve Varnecky who has provided the models and served on the Optimist's fashion show committee for this very successful DECA program since its inception.. Each year, Marketing students from Valley are presented with scholarships generated from the event's proceeds. Last year, because of the success of the event and generosity of our sponsors, two \$1,250

scholarships were awarded. "The Optimist Club treats my students really well," said Varnecky.

On hand in the marketing classroom was McCauley, Carol Simon Karen Thorsen of the Optimist Club and Donna Lutkins from Stein Mart , a clothing and accessories retail store in Leesburg. Lutkins will be helping the student models with the casual and business wear segments of the program. Stein Mart will loan the clothes to the students and Lutkins will help them pull it all together by helping with accessories, jewelry, shoes, clothes, etc. Tuxedos and prom dresses have been provided by the Leesburg Bridal & Tuxedo, and modeling tips and commentary has been provided by Cara LeGrys.

Carol Simon is in charge of backroom management. Besides casual wear, the 16 girls and eight boys models will be wearing business and prom attire. In the back, Simons said, "It is fast paced" as they change quickly into the next attire. Everything is very organized to keep it moving smoothly with the

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Mayor

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name of each model on the appropriate clothing. Simon is in the process of getting the runway. The first few years the models, did not use a runway and this added feature has made the students feel even more in the spotlight.

It has been an event made successful by many in the community who are volunteering their time and support. CS Monroe Technology culinary program will be preparing food for the models in the backroom; sandwiches and drinks. Ketterman Jeweler gives each model a piece of jewelry. Simon said, "Mrs. Ketterman is very gracious and very generous." Reflections Hairstylists owner Millie Gallahan and her stylists style the girls' hair for free and follow them to the club for finishing touches, and Bill Baker owner of Elite Chauffeured Transportation Services, Inc, has provided the extra special touch of limousine service to Loudoun Golf & Country Club the night of the show. The new feature of

polished nails for the ladies will be provided by Sheila Cottom of the Hairmill in Purcellville.

May Kay representatives as in past years will help the girls with their make-up and give them free samples to take with them. Abernethy and Spencer in Lincoln supply the centerpieces which are then raffled off to benefit the scholarship.

The success of the fashion show and the scholarship depend on fundraising efforts which have begun in earnest. McCauley said they have hit the floor running and said, "We are out raising money." Only 65 tickets to dinner and the fashion show are available and are \$25 each. "Get your tickets early," she said. "They go fast." They may be purchased at Middleburg Bank in Purcellville and Loudoun Valley High School.

Sponsorship of models is key to raising money for the scholarship and are not limited to one model. The sponsorship is \$50. (Mary Liz, I am not clear what gets your name listed - \$100?) Those sponsors will have their names placed on a flyer and when the models are introduced, the sponsor will be identified.

Photo courtesy of Barbara Stampora



Kolbie Tracy is escorted by Justin Smith to the runway at the 2005 Spring Fashion Show.

for it to be my last year." It's no wonder why she is made for this role. Kolbie is friendly and enthusiastic and very organized. Next year, she plans to go to college, hopefully in North Carolina and major in communications or public relations. Kolbie is also one of the models.

The Master of Ceremonies for the third year will be Geno Stampora, a Purcellville resident and international life enhancement speaker. He is described as "charismatic" and the mention of his name brings smiles to everyone's face. He is as kind in his remarks of others. Of Steve Varnecky he said, "I can't say enough about Steve Varnecky. He is a great teacher and a great Purcellvillian. He does whatever it takes to get it done." He added, "They are a great team (Steve, Mary Liz McCauley and Carol Simon) and go all out."

"The kids are wonderful," Stampora said. "This is a wonderful opportunity to embrace the people in our Town. The fashion show generates a lot of money and I see it as an honor to participate."

Stampora's wife Barbara will be taking pictures that evening as she has done for two years.

The plans are in place, the enthusiasm is contagious. Let's hope the community joins together to support this event. ♦

Some businesses buy corporate tables.

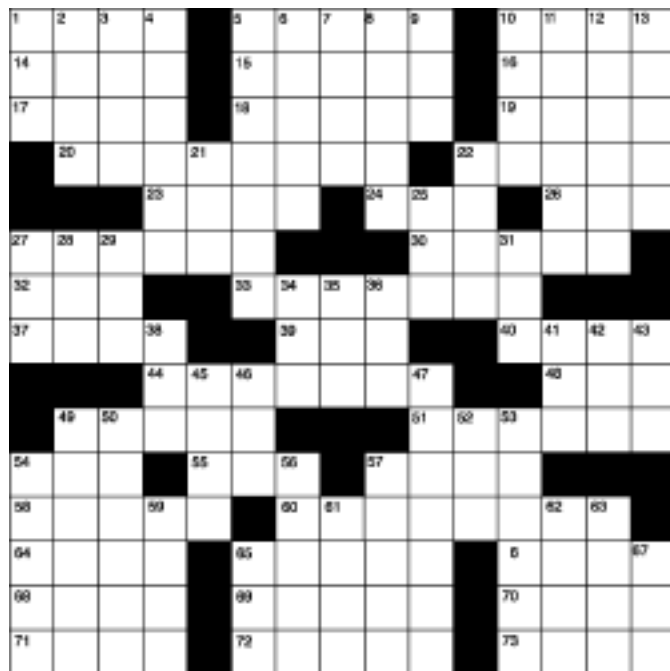
Valley DECA student Kolbie Tracy is serving her second year as Student Coordinator for the event. Kolbie, a senior, when asked about the fashion show said, "I love it" adding, "I am sad

CLUES ACROSS

1. Fish often farmed
5. Molds
10. Freight boat
14. Length by width
15. Nebraska city
16. About aviation
17. Ring
18. Art of illusions
19. Take off weight
20. Spray dispenser
22. First name in beauty
23. Cut into cubes
24. First state abbreviation
26. Hostelery
27. Madonna's theosophy
30. Choose
32. One of the Gershwins
33. One who tags
37. A unit of area
39. God of the sun
40. Dull painful emotion
44. Give up hope
48. To be unwell
49. Very near
51. Makes very happy
54. A way to till
55. Chum
57. From a distance
58. Instrument with bellows
60. Suddenly
64. Frost
65. Component of an element
66. A legally binding command
68. At some prior time
69. Disturbance
70. California school
71. Speaks
72. Nudges

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73. A suggestive or sneering look or grin
9. Strategic Air Command
10. Back talk
11. Indo-European language
12. Familiarize
13. Females
21. Linear unit
22. Women's magazine
25. Soft-finned fish
27. Former OSS
28. Curved in shape
29. The act of preventing
31. Division of geological time
34. Type of viper
35. Tropical constrictor
36. ___ Lilly, drug company
38. Yeddo
41. Type of scan
42. To hasten
43. Raised trains
45. Sports network
46. Large body of water
47. Defies
49. Circle of light around the sun
50. Bequest
52. Once around a track
53. Devious
54. Santa words
56. By and by
57. Having weapons
59. Son of Zeus & Hera
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Town Turnups

PUGAMP Public Hearing Set for January 30

The Loudoun County Planning Commission and the Town of Purcellville Planning Commission's joint public hearing on the revised PUGAMP draft is scheduled for 7:00 p.m., Monday, January 30th at Loudoun Valley High School in Purcellville. Also, a joint Planning Commission work session has been scheduled for Thursday, February 23rd at 7:00 p.m. in the Lovettsville Room on the first floor of the Loudoun County Government Center, 1 Harrison Street,

S.E. in Leesburg. The revised draft can be found at <http://www.loudoun.gov/complan/purcellville.htm>

Town Centennial Slogo Contest Ends January 31st

The Town of Purcellville is asking residents and business owners to cast a vote for a slogan that will be used for the Town's 2008 Centennial celebration. The Town has set up a survey on the front page of its website <http://www.purcellvilleva.com/>. Please visit the website and cast a vote between now and January 31st.

A slogan will be selected from the following recommendations to be included on license plates and possibly other items such as letterhead: "Coming Home"; "Celebrating Our History"; "Our First 100 Years"; "Hometown Heritage"; and "Purcellville – Then & Now." The slogans will have the year 1908 printed before the slogan and 2008 printed after the slogan.

If you are interested in the Centennial celebration for the Town, or would like to become a member of the Committee that is planning the celebration, please contact Cheryl Herman at the above number or by e-mail at cherman@town.purcellville.va.us

Magic Comes to Berryville

Olympus Gym owner Magic Dane Kayan has purchased Flextime Fitness in Berryville. The facility has been expanded to accommodate men and women. It was formerly a women's only fitness center. Magic has brought in his own equipment which includes an extensive selection including Nautilus cardio and free weights. In addition to that, a wide variety of classes will be offered in the near future, particularly aerobics and Pilates.

Magic is still operating the Olympus Gym located in Purcellville at 201 N. Maple Avenue. Members may now enjoy the convenience of two locations. He said his goal is to have two to three other locations; two more in Loudoun which will include the new one he is planning to build on Main Street in Purcellville and one more in Clarke County. His "pride and joy" will be the new one on Main Street because "I love the town."

Community Skating Rink to be Dedicated

Photos By Purcellville Gazette



Nancy Marsh will have her dream and her husband, family and friends made it possible. The Nancy Marsh Memorial Skating Rink at Franklin Park will be dedicated February 4th at 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 pm. The fundraising began after her death two years ago and reached \$33,000, enough for the rink that is made from a synthetic product.

All are welcome to come participate in the activities planned. Food will be available as well. The rink is located in the open area on the south side of the swimming pool. Questions? Call Franklin Park at 540.338.7603.

Power Line Hearing Scheduled

Vice Mayor Bob Lazaro issued the following: The State Corporation Commission will hold two public hearings in Loudoun County at the Government Center located at 1 Harrison Street in Leesburg on February 8th and 9th regarding Dominion Virginia Power's proposal to construct an above-ground, high voltage line from Leesburg to Hamilton. The hearing on the 8th will be

conducted in two sessions, the first beginning at 1:30 p.m. and the second at 7 p.m. The hearing on the 9th will begin at 9:30 a.m.

If you would like to submit an electronic comment to the SCC regarding this case you can do so by clicking on the following link: <http://www.scc.virginia.gov/caseinfo/notice.aspx>. Scroll down to case number PUE2005-00018 and follow the instructions from there.

Update on 20th Street Sewer Line Project

Vice Mayor Bob Lazaro said that the "bulk of the construction of this project is now complete." Resurfacing of 20th Street, the Town parking lot and a small segment at the intersection of Main Street and Hatcher is the next major improvement. This may have to wait until spring when asphalt can be put down. Lazaro thanked residents for bearing patiently with the inconveniences the project has caused.

Mississippi Governor Sends Thanks to Purcellville Residents

Vice Mayor Lazaro received a personal letter from Mississippi Governor Haley Barbour thanking the residents of Purcellville for their generosity after the devastation caused by Hurricane Katrina. Residents sent shipments of clothes and supplies to aid the impacted citizens in that area. The Governor said in part, "I want to personally thank you and the fine citizens of the Town of Purcellville. . . We have a long way to go and appreciate all the generous efforts of fellow Americans. Mississippi thanks you!"

Rural Zoning Input Sessions and Public Hearings Set

The Loudoun County Planning Commission will hold one input session and two public hearings on the proposed rural zoning ordinance for western Loudoun County:

- January 21 – 9 a.m. – Government Center – Leesburg (Public Input)
- February 9 – 6 p.m. – Loudoun County High School – Leesburg (Public Hearing)
- February 11 – 9 a.m. – Government Center (Public Hearing)

Comprehensive Plan public hearing cancelled for January 26th. Will be rescheduled for sometime in February. ♦

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Around the Arts

Youth Art Show at RHAC

Next week student artists can bring paintings, drawing, collage, mixed media, photography and sculpture to the Round Hill Center for the Seventh Annual Youth Art Show. Students may enter multiple items. The theme this year is "Color Your World." Virginia Trevianus and Sarita Moffat will judge the pieces. Certificates and ribbons will be awarded.

The opening reception will be held at the Round Hill Center on Sunday, February 5th, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. The show will be open to the public Monday through Friday for the following two weeks (February 6th through February 17th).

Entries may be brought to the center from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. January 23rd through 27th. There is a \$1 entry fee per item submitted. The Round Hill Center is located at the old Round Hill Elementary School, 20 High Street, Round Hill. Call 540.338.7973 or email bsample@loudoun.gov to have any questions answered.

Byrne Gallery to Host Student Art Exhibition

Notre Dame Academy students will showcase their artwork February 8th through February 12th at The Byrne Gallery in Middleburg. The Ninth Annual Exhibition, entitled "Artist-tree", continues to celebrate the creative spirit of Notre Dame Academy art students and the generous support of The Byrne Gallery which recently celebrated its 10th Anniversary. Within the past eight years, over 400 students have had an opportunity to exhibit their artwork.

"Artist-tree" is an exhibition of inspired and imaginative works of art created by NDA art students. Notre Dame instructors and contemporary visual artists Wayne Paige and Matthew Plumb work with the students in educating them on the process of how artists exhibit their work. This includes a review of the artwork, selection, presentation, determining the price of the work, and promotion: invitations, press releases, openings/receptions, and critiques/reviews.

The Exhibition is a jurored show, and a local artist is lending her talent to the juror process: Linda Hughes from Middleburg (sixth year as juror) will be on hand to review the displayed works. Ceramics, drawing, painting, photography, and mixed-medium will be presented with awards and prizes given in

each category. Each year, merchants and local businesses applaud the students' progress by donating prizes to the award recipients. The community's enthusiastic support of the arts has helped to make the exhibition an annual celebration of young artist.

The Sixth Annual Mrs. Susan Byrne Purchase Prize Award will be awarded to the best work in the show. This award is dedicated to Mrs. Susan Byrne, mother of the gallery owner and lifelong art teacher who did so much in inspiring young artists. Last year's recipient was Kelsey Struder whose three dimensional work was added to Notre Dame Academy's permanent collection of award recipients.

The "Artist-tree" exhibit will be on display February 8th through February 12th and is open to the public. A reception and awards presentation will be held on Saturday, February 11th from 2:00 to 5:30. Most of the work is for sale and is affordably priced. Regular Gallery hours are Monday through Saturday 10am -5 pm, Sunday Noon -5:00 pm. For additional information, please call 540.687.6986. The location of The Byrne Gallery is 7 West Washington Street in Middleburg.

ArtShare Awards Announced

The Loudoun Arts Council's annual ArtShare program awarded grant monies to seven area arts organizations. Recipients of this year's awards are: Master Singers of Virginia, Loudoun Symphony, Loudoun Academy of the Arts, Loudoun Ballet, Blue Ridge Thunder Cloggers, The Round Hill Arts Center and the Loudoun Community Band. The total granted was \$9,600.

"Our ArtShare program helps arts organizations help themselves," said Jeffrey Stern, Arts Council president. "Through the ArtShare grant writing process, participating arts organizations take a critical look back on the past year and make plans for their future; a future of creative expression in Loudoun County we are proud to support." Through ArtShare, the Loudoun Arts Council contributes to nonprofit arts organizations that operate in the Loudoun community. To receive a grant,

organizations must demonstrate strong artistic quality, noteworthy accomplishments and sound management practices. As part of its mission to advocate for the arts, the Loudoun Arts Council assisted organizations with their applications this year by offering a pre-review process, which provided suggestions for creating stronger applications. ♦

Breach of Ethics Draws Ire of Town Council Members

by Judy Stearns

Someone jumped the gun and prematurely released the names of two top candidates for Police Chief to a local newspaper. The Town Council had met January 10th in a closed executive session to discuss those candidates as well as for those for position of Assistant Town Manager. Retired Police Chief David Simpson left at the end of the week to do background checks on the candidates in their respective jurisdictions.

Town Manager Rob Lohr did confirm for the Gazette that the candidates are retired Chief of Police John J. Kearin of Davidson, North Carolina former Hermosa Beach, California police officer for 19 years and Darryl C. Smith, Vice Mayor of Herndon and former Herndon police officer. Both candidates are retired and re-entering the workforce. Releasing names before the Council has given a strong recommendation can jeopardize employment that candidates might have. Not all employers look kindly on knowing their employees are looking elsewhere.

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Because of a tight deadline the Gazette was not able to reach all the Council members.

A Police Chief recommendation may have been decided on after the Gazette went to press time. ♦

On or Off the W&OD

Loudoun Road Runners Club

By Mike Moye

It doesn't matter how long you have been running or how fast you run. It doesn't matter how old you might be, or what gender you might be. It doesn't matter if you run competitively or for pleasure only. It doesn't matter if you know the difference between straight lasts or curved lasts or if you even know what a last is. Indeed, it doesn't even matter if you run. The Loudoun Road Runners will welcome you into their fun, and that indeed will last.

In the club's most recent newsletter, Brian Fillman, club president, ably describes the group, its membership and activities. In Brian's words the club represents "a group of people living in the extended Loudoun County area who gather on a regular basis to run, help clean up the W&OD trail, volunteer time working running events that benefit other organizations, help getting water fountains installed and work on 'saving the trail' from overhead power lines."

Often, club members "open their homes to others and take the time and effort to cook and serve everything from snacks to a wonderful meal. They share ideas and information on training and staying healthy. They go to events to support and encourage other runners entered in races ranging from 5K's to 100 milers. In Brian's view those gestures describe friends.

Still, for some, the club becomes more than just a group of people who share in club runs and activities. It becomes more than an opportunity to make lasting friendships that evolve over the miles on trails and roads and races. Without apology or sentimentality, Brian allows that in some ways, the club becomes family. A family member is someone who "runs along at a much slower pace than usual just to keep you company. One who gets up before

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Lohr said, "Both the Town Council and staff went to great lengths to protect the privacy of the top candidates until a top candidate could be recommended to the Council. Citizens, businessmen and women and public safety peers all signed confidentiality agreements to ensure the privacy of the applicants. Someone chose to breach the privacy."

Vice Mayor Bob Lazaro said he does not place any blame on the newspaper reporter who put the names in the paper. "I don't blame the press," he said. He did, however, have strong words for the person who leaked the information. "Whoever released the information breached the tremendous confidence of the town. It hurts the reputation of the town for someone to leak confidential information."

Lazaro would not speculate on who he thought it might be but said, "It was purposefully done" and he called it a "breach of ethics." He emphasized that there would be "no benefit for those on the committees" to leak such sensitive information.

"I am upset with the person who released this confidential data," the Vice Mayor said. "People should think long and hard" before they do such things. And, he went on to say, "The Town Council is better than that."

Councilman Greg Wagner, Chairman of the Personnel Committee weighed in. "I am quite certain that the selection committee and the citizens involved in the process have complied with our policy of keeping the proceedings and candidate information confidential. It is regrettable a list of potential candidate names was run in a local paper. The entire process has taken great care to maintain the anonymity of all applicants due in part to safeguard their current positions with other jurisdictions. I certainly hope this does not adversely impact our current discussions with any candidates and jeopardize our chances of hiring a quality candidate for the chief of police position. I'm baffled as to why anyone with knowledge of the candidate list would see a need to place in jeopardy the time and expense the Town has gone to so far in this

search. The selection committee is awaiting the results of a background and personnel records check before making a final recommendation on any of the candidates under consideration."

When reached by telephone, Mayor Bill Druhan would not comment but said, "I will have something soon." He was not pressed on the matter.

Lohr said that the search for an assistant town manager continues with interviews of top candidates. It is not true that a suitable candidate was not found and the position will have to be readvertised.

Wagner added to that when he said, "The search for an assistant town manager continues with more interviews from our qualified candidate's list. There is no need to readvertise the position. Unfortunately from the original set of interviews, one candidate has taken another position and one withdrew from consideration. We are now conducting a set of second interviews with additional candidates from the list. We'll then complete a background check and move forward with a recommendation."

Councilman Tom Priscilla said, "I don't know who released the information. Everyone who has been involved was asked to keep it confidential. When asked to keep something confidential, it is pretty important to do so." He added, "There is nothing to gain by releasing it." He is also disappointed that the paper printed it.

Reached by telephone, Councilman Karl Phillips said, "It is unfortunate that the information was disclosed." He said executive sessions are utilized for three reasons: real estate acquisitions and condemnation; public security (sensitive issues) and personnel reasons and "that's why we went into executive session." He further said, "It is important in the middle of negotiating with a candidate and particularly a management candidate that confidence be protected." He too stated that present employers of candidates should not have knowledge that an employee is in the middle of negotiations for another position.



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A group of Loudoun Road Runners before a run in warmer times

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Whether you see the club in terms of community, friendship, or family, you ought to consider joining to enjoy any or all of the benefits Brian describes above. In addition, the club will introduce you to running venues throughout the county, and help you to improve your running, if you want.

Throughout the year Loudoun Road Runners hosts Saturday and Sunday runs of various distances and challenges. Beginning with this issue, the Purcellville Gazette will carry the club's schedule as a continuing feature of "On or Off the W&OD."

Please see below

The Annual General Meeting is not a running event, though you're welcome to run there and home if you want. It will be held at the Loudoun County Fairgrounds building, so if you're a runner who is looking for a club to

share your joy of running and you want to broaden your running experience, then consider coming out for this gathering. In addition to running conversation you can enjoy a meal, meet good people, and hear about club plans and goals. For any club members who are thinking of skipping the meeting, remember that officer and director elections are being held. You don't have to be there to be elected (this writer excepted).

If you can't make it to the meeting but want to join in the weekend runs or find out how to join, (You don't need to join to run with the club.) visit the club's web site at www.loudounroadrunners.org. The site has directions to all the scheduled runs and a simple application form for membership. You can also call 703.779.0078 for directions or other club information.

Fred Lonas isn't a member, yet, but then he prefers bikes, both pedal and motorized.

Mike lives in Leesburg with his wife Kathy. When he isn't running or writing, he manages a small consulting business, and occasionally works for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) on a temporary basis as a Disaster Relief Employee (DAE). Currently, he is in Louisiana assisting with hazard mitigation. ♦

Date	Day	Time	Length	Course
21 Jan	Sat	8 AM	7, 9, 13	Bluemont
22 Jan	Sun	10 AM	4, 7	Tuscarora Creek Park
28 Jan	Sat	8 AM	4, 7, 3	Taylorstown (meet at Lucketts Community Ctr)
29 Jan	Sun	10 AM	6, 2	Market Station – Leesburg 10K loop
4 Feb	Sat	8 AM	4, 6, 2	Faith Chapel
4 Feb	Sat	6:30 PM	N/A	Annual General Meeting
5 Feb	Sun	10 AM	5, 11	Purcellville to Leesburg (Meet at Market Station)

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In the Dog (and Cat) House

By Ashley Strosnider

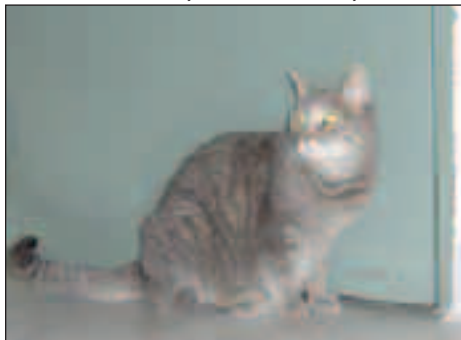
Photo Courtesy of the Loudoun County Animal Shelter



Jack is a four-year-old Labrador Retriever Mix

Jack is a stray that arrived at the shelter on November 22, 2005. Jack is a spunky four year-old Labrador Retriever Mix with lots of energy. He is looking for a new home with an owner that will spend lots of time playing games or just having fun with him. Jack is an active, high-spirited adult that can be your perfect match today!

Photo Courtesy of the Loudoun County Animal Shelter



Muffy is a domestic shorthair tabby

Muffy arrived at the shelter on October 26 when her owner gave her up. Muffy is a domestic shorthair, seven year-old, gray tabby. However, don't let her age fool you, Muffy is an independent lady that loves to explore new places and meet new people. She would love to settle down and spend some quality time with you today! Muffy is also a Gray Whiskers Club member, so her adoption fee is 50% off. Not only that, but you get a laid-back, lovely kitty!

All pet descriptions, information, and photos are courtesy of Loudoun County Animal Shelter ♦

Student Beat

By Zack Evans

Fundraiser Helps Dawson Family

For many students and teachers, Loudoun Valley High School is more than just a school. It's a place full of friends and people that you can rely on when the going gets tough.

Take the Dawson Family. When teacher Lisa Dawson's son Nick was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia before the start of school this year, students and faculty both rose to the occasion to help one of their own. Last month, in spirit of the holiday season, a donation jar was set up in the main office for the Dawson family. This was a way for the Loudoun Valley community to do their part for the Dawson family.

Then, last January the 13th, Loudoun Valley hosted a spaghetti dinner fundraiser to continue to help four-year-old Nick. Volunteers headed for the cafeteria straight after school on Friday afternoon with only forty-five minutes to prepare and decorate the school cafeteria, cook the meal, and lay out the dessert table. For many schools this may have been a problem, but not for Loudoun Valley.

A crowd of volunteers turned out that afternoon, more than enough for the required work. With students and teachers setting the place up, and Mr. Spicer taking the role of head chef, the dinner was ready to roll when the doors opened at 4:30.

Serving spaghetti, salad, bread, drinks, and, of course, plenty of sweets, it was a good deal for \$5.00 (additional donations were accepted), and as the money went to a good cause, many people joined in. The community even went fairly smooth, and had a good turnout. Days before it even began, word was traveling around the school, some students looking to volunteer to set up the fundraiser and others eagerly awaiting the chance to give help to a worthy cause and dig in to a good dinner at the same time.

Nick Dawson is currently undergoing treatment for his Leukemia, and hopefully the funds raised at the spaghetti dinner will help the Dawson family in their hour of need.

Upcoming Events at Loudoun Valley High School Calendar

January 17-20 Exam Week

January 28 – DECA Annual District Competition

February 1 – Report cards sent home

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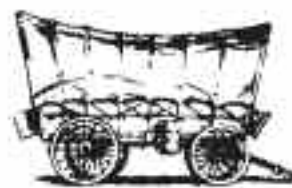
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Theater Review

TheatreMania

Reviewed by David Sackrider

No matter what else your plans are for tomorrow night or Sunday afternoon, consider changing them. TheatreMania, the current production of Leesburg Theatre Company, is a show you should not miss.

The collection of five one-act plays billed as a "No-holds-barred, caged, battle to the Death!" was the death of boredom for anyone seated in the Oatlands Carriage House Theatre on opening night last Saturday. The five plays, each written by a member of the company, provided a wide variety of themes and presentations. They also varied considerably in weight.

The heavyweight in this program is "The Box Step", written by Kevin G. Summers and

directed by Barbara D. Carpenter. This piece has the feel of Thornton Wilder's "Our Town" scaled down to a one-act play. Jan R. Tilley, as George, opens with a soliloquy that he soon turns into a monologue by addressing the audience directly. Over the next thirty minutes he lives through the story of a widower haunted by the ghost of the woman he adored, a ghost he sees in the eyes of his little girl.

Summers loads much on this simple framework. Alluding to biblical prohibitions on sex outside of marriage and Paul's admonition to the Corinthians that men should not take women, George's future father-in-law serves up food for thought without trying to force us to a particular conclusion. Summers does this with charm and humor. The father-in-law confronts the prospect of grandparenthood with the same sensitivity. Later Summers asks us to consider how best a father tells a child

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that her mother has unexpectedly died, how a single father copes with a daughter asking, "Where do babies come from?"

As its main theme "The Box Step" brings to light the withering of love because of an inability to endure unresolved emotions. Through several scenes we watch George and his daughter Susan lose the ability to communicate. Over the years Susan becomes more and more like her mother (she "has her grandmother's name, and her mother's eyes"), a source of pain for George, who doesn't know what to do with the grief for his wife which he still carries. At the end of the next to last scene George falls to his knees in a desperate prayer that the daughter he loves and needs may be safe. When she walks through the door at the beginning of the final scene George betrays his humanity by unloading on Susan his anger at her breaking curfew. Tilley and Courtney Armstrong playing Susan lead us through George's transition without making us work.

All of this storytelling would be severely handicapped if not for Carpenter's staging. At several points the actors freeze so that George can step toward the audience and speak directly to us. As Carpenter said about the central theme, "It's just a simple story, an age old story. It's all in the telling." She lets George tell the story without letting stagecraft and the play itself get in the way.

Emily Price (as Susan in childhood), Joe Campanella and Susan Klien provide excellent support to leads Tilley and Armstrong (who plays both George's wife and his teenage daughter.)

The other four plays in this program are much lighter than "The Box Step." In "Breaking and Entering" a pair of thieves get their comeuppance at the hands of a tipling guard. Without dialogue playwright Joe Campanella (who acts in "The Box Step") helps us laugh our way to the lesson that crime does not pay.

Terry Smith's "Supercilious" opens a clever new skirmish in the battle between the sexes. Left alone on stage the husband gains a valuable insight and we might think the battle is over. At least we might think so until the husband's final line makes it clear that nothing has changed.

"Table for One", written and directed by

Bob Rosenberg, is a very light-hearted look at the ability of imagination, and perhaps a double martini, to turn an ordinary evening into a night to remember. As Doreen the waitress, Michelle Hixon makes a delightful transition from not much more than a prop to an inspiring vamp and then most of the way back while Hank, played by Doug Dickinson, lets his imagination run loose.

Still on a restaurant theme, the program closes with "Zombies For Dinner", written and directed by Mary Speed. Here we learn that zombies, though not like the rest of us in every respect, still like to celebrate a birthday with a nice steak. Speed's zombies (J.D. Warford, Brian Garrison, and Patrick Schrader) must deal with a poorly medicated fellow diner, a tendency to hyperventilate, and a tragically curious waitress. The undead come to life in this little farce.

An intermission follows the first three plays. The second half of the show begins with a comical "Poetry Slam". The humorous poems are delivered competitively — that is, if you consider professional wrestling competitive.

Leesburg Theatre Company will stage TheatreMania January 21 at 8 p.m. and January 22 at 2 p.m. Both shows are at the Oatlands Carriage House Theatre. Tickets are \$10 at the door and \$8 in advance. Advance tickets can be purchased online at www.leesburgtheatre.com. ♦



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SAD tends to affect elderly persons more than younger persons simply because they tend to be indoors more of the time than younger persons.

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Seasonal Affective Disorder isn't just something that happens in the winter. A lack of sunlight exposure during spring and summer can also produce SAD during the spring and summer. The good news is that SAD is easily and economically treated through exposure to sunshine. With the public becoming more and more aware of SAD, the question arises as to the best way to deal with its symptoms. Other than making it a point to get natural sunshine on a regular basis, other options include bringing natural sunshine indoors through the use of sunrooms, glass rooms, and skylights. The benefit of these types of glass-enclosed rooms is that one can still get all the healthy benefits of good quality sunshine even on days when the weather isn't cooperating. A good dose of sunshine may help reduce feelings of sadness and/or depression, feelings of fatigue, tiredness, lethargy, difficulty in concentrating, reduce carbohydrate or sugar cravings, improve sleep, improve productivity, reduce irritability, improve student scholastic performance, reduce your chances of certain types of cancer such as breast, colon and prostate, maintain healthy strong bones, prevent osteoporosis and much more!

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New in Brief

Carver Center to Establish Alumni Organization

Plans are underway by the Friends of Carver Advisory Board to establish a Carver Center Alumni Organization for the George Washington Carver School Elementary School attendees from 1947 to 1951.

Through the tireless efforts of the Three M's, Mattie Louise Lassiter, Mac Brownell and the late Martha Bernhart, the beautiful brick building located on 700 South 15th Street that functioned as the elementary school has been renovated and its doors will re-open once again in June 2006.

Had it not been for Mattie Lassiter being at the right place at the right time, those who attended Carver might not ever have had the thrill of seeing such progress unfold. It happened during an Older American Humanities Board meeting to set new goals for senior services in Loudoun County. Mattie, then the Board's Secretary, said to Martha Bernhart, "I have just the building for a Senior Center in Purcellville." As the vision materialized, Mac Brownell suggested that adult day care be a part of the Center. The vision grew and the Loudoun Board of Supervisors came up with a Senior Multi-

Purpose Center at the old Carver School building.

If you want to be a part of the upcoming ceremonies and events at the Carver Center when it re-opens as a community gathering place and a site for senior and community programs, please call Mattie at 540.338.7160 or mail your address to: ATTN: Mrs. Mattie Lassiter, Friends of Carver, P. O. Box 1260, Purcellville, Virginia 20134.

The Carver Center still needs you help in collecting more school materials, photos, yearbooks, and other mementos to be copied if possible and kept on display in a glass-enclosed archive and shared by all who visit Purcellville's Carver Center.

Valentines for Soldiers

The Loudoun Valley Veterans History Club and sponsoring teachers Diana Miner, Leslie Bower and Marty Potts, are collecting valentines, messages, school t-shirts and sweatshirts to send to our troops. In addition, they are also collecting the following: telephone cards (at least 30 minutes), note pads and pens, and letters of encouragement. The Club has managed to get the names of 100 soldiers and their families. The Club invites you to join them in this worthwhile venture. Items are being collected through February 3rd in the Loudoun Valley School cafeteria. The Club will mail the collected items to the soldiers on February 5th.

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free of charge, to all area boys and girls age 10 to 14. Plaques will be awarded in each group (10 in all) at 2:45 p.m. A parent signature is required. For further info contact Larry Small at 540.338.6110. ♦

Gardener's Tale

By David Lohmann

I think the weather the past few weeks has been unbelievable but it makes us wonder what the month of February will bring. I have noticed that a lot of the daffodils are starting to peak their heads but do not panic. It is okay. They will hold their own until spring comes. The only damage that can occur is the tops getting smashed when the snow covers them and then they get walked on because we forget they are there --- so make yourself a mental note.

The deer population seems to be a little more active than usual for this time of year so make sure your "deer friendly" plants are protected with mesh, the TLC Fertilizer (from Leesburg), dried blood or whatever you use to keep them from demolishing your garden. I have mentioned in the past that our favorite product is the TLC fertilizer we sell produced by the town of Leesburg -- it does a good job for us -- we rarely see any deer damage.

Keep an eye on your evergreens. With this warm, windy weather they might need some water if we do not get substantial rain (or snow). The most important are the new ones that were planted in the fall or the live Christmas tree you planted in the yard after the holidays.

Now that the holidays are through, questions have been asked about how to take care of your

Christmas plants. Poinsettias can remain blooming until the spring. The secret with them is to keep them over 65 degrees and do not let them sit in water. They like water but they never want to sit in it. Perhaps put some gravel in their saucer -- this will help. Their roots (like many houseplants) are in the bottom of the pot -- so when you allow them to sit in water for an extended period it will suffocate the plant and it will slowly die. Cyclamen are another Christmas plant which can remain gorgeous through the spring. However, they like it on the dry side and in a cool location. They can actually take it down into the 35 degree range and they will thrive by a drafty window or sun porch. Both plants would like to get as much sun as they can for the winter months. A nice bright window will do them wonders. Happy New Year. Spring is coming.

David Lohmann is the owner of Abernethy & Spencer Greenhouses in Lincoln and is always available to answer your gardening questions. ♦

WHAT'S YOUR STORY?

by Bobbi Carducci

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Today, January 16th, is Martin Luther King Day, a day of remembrance for a man who gave his life for his country. One who had the courage to stand up for his beliefs, to demand change where change was needed and to stand tall in the face of fear.

"I don't want to die," he said. "But if anyone must die, let it be me."

How many among us could make such a clear and undeniable statement of belief? I'm not sure I could. But I'm forever grateful that some men can.

All across the metro area and rippling through the country are events organized in tribute to him. His "I Have a Dream" speech rings throughout the land, and prayers are being said that the work he started will continue to bear fruit.

In the morning papers I see listings for prayer breakfasts, marches and readings. Mr. Ezra Hill Sr., a member of the Tuskegee Airman will deliver a keynote address in Reston. In Rockville, Clara L. Adams-Ender, a retired brigadier general and the author of "My Rise to the Stars: How a Sharecroppers Daughter Became an Army General" is the featured speaker at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theater. In

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What's Your Story

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the District, a National Day of Service is observed in commemoration of the Montgomery bus boycott. These events and so many more are held each year to remind us of how far we have come and prod us into recognizing how far we have to go.

This space usually features local people who move through our community living the same quiet uncelebrated lives full of personal adventure and private adversity as the rest of us. In the last year there have been stories about moms, kids, black walnut crackers and bull riders, to list a few.

Why then do I choose to feature such a celebrated man today?

Because he is indeed a part of our community, because he loved his wife, his family and his church. Because on the front page of the Washington Post is picture of him with his arm around his wife, smiling with joy and pride as she plants a kiss on his cheek. Because when I look at it I see him momentarily at peace with the world, happy to know he is admired by the woman he loves. It could be a picture of any man, anywhere having a good day. And it is in that moment the true meaning of his story shines through. We are not different. We are all in this world together striving to make our dreams come true.

"I don't want to die," he said. "But if anyone must die, let it be me."

Let us resolve once more to make sure he did not die in vain. Join hands to make tomorrow a better day. Join hearts to assure that the dream continues.

If you have a dream, a special wish to make the world a better place, please share it with the community by sending your ideas to bcarducci@thepurcellvillegazette.com I look forward to hearing from you. ♦

Special Recognition

Simpson Accepts Award from SAR

Photo by Purcellville Gazette



Chief Simpson receiving the Award from Gordon Small, the president of the Sergeant Major John Champe Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution

The Sergeant Major John Champe Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution held its annual community patriotic awards ceremony at the Rust Library on Saturday, January 14. Gordon Small presided over the meeting and the awards ceremony. Among the award recipients was recently retired Chief of Police Steve Simpson. Accepting the prestigious Law Enforcement Award from the SAR, Simpson said, "It is really rewarding to help the people I call my neighbors." Simpson also reminded the attendees to think about our law enforcement officers who are working to keep us safe while can enjoy ourselves with our families. Chief Simpson was selected because of his long time, loyal and effective service to two communities in Loudoun County, Middleburg and Purcellville.

"Chief Simpson exemplifies the qualities we expect in our law enforcement officials. During his 35 years in law enforcement, Chief Simpson served in most enforcement positions, most recently as Chief of Police in Purcellville from which he has just retired. We

congratulate Chief Simpson for being splendid role model," said Gordon Small, president of the John Champe Chapter, SAR.

The SAR was conceived as a fraternal and civic society composed of lineal descendants of the men who wintered at Valley Forge, signed the Declaration of Independence, fought in the battles of the American Revolution, served in the Continental Congress, or otherwise supported the cause of American Independence. The National Society was chartered by an Act of the United States Congress and signed by President Theodore Roosevelt on June 6, 1906.

The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, which was organized on April 30, 1889 and is the 100th anniversary of the inauguration of George Washington as our nation's first President. There are approximately 26,000 members in over 500 chapters across the United States, France, Germany, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom.

Blue Ridge Business Alliance – BNI to Host Open House

The Blue Ridge Business Alliance, also called BNI, will host an open house on Tuesday, January 24 from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at the Loudoun Golf and Country Club. BNI is the world's largest networking organization and is based on the motto of "Givers Gain." The Purcellville chapter, although recently chartered has exchanged business referral volume of over \$5

million. Participation is by application and only one seat per profession/trade is available in the chapter. If you want to expand your business through word-of-mouth marketing, attend the open house to learn more. For reservations or questions, call President, Krasi Henkel, 703-624-8333 or e-mail blueridgebusinessbni@gmail.com.

Piper Selected for Dean's List

Joel Anthony Piper of Purcellville has been selected for the Dean's List for the Fall 2005 semester at Shenandoah University. Piper is majoring in Musical Theatre at Shenandoah and he is a Freshman this year.

Wilson Ranked #3

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Helmet Finders

The helmet is located in the "Curves" photo on page 12.

Ramona Wolfe (First to find the helmet)
 Abby M (Age 8)
 Hunter (Age 10)
 Grace McNulty
 Christian Ramirez
 Molly Gentry
 Billy Gray
 Ann Moteny
 Christine O'Mara
 Michael O'Mara
 Mustafa O'Mara (Age 5)
 Erin O'Mara
 Cameron Kilgore (Age 6)
 Chelsea Constantine (Age 9)
 Brooke Constantine (Age 5)
 Doris Gooding (Age 86)
 Marissa Gillwald (Age 10) and her Dad, Ralph
 Debbie Deutsch
 Sarah Gill (Age 9)
 Jeff Dunson
 Julie Swarz
 Mary Johnson
 Justine Gettman
 Casey Miller (Age 11)
 Kyle Miller (Age 7)
 Tommy Stephens
 Audrey Frye
 Carmen Ames
 Jacob Sacco (Age 8)
 Rachelle Bresnahan (Age 4) and her Dad
 Cole Sheffer (Age 5)
 Michael Crim
 Courtney Schollian
 Stephen de Blank

Maxine Barnes (Age 4)
 Alisha Barnes (Age 7)
 Thomas Henniger
 Elizabeth Mowe (Age 8)
 Ana Shaffi (Age 7)
 Faraz Shaffi (Age 11)
 Vicki Saunders
 Grace Dawson
 Candace Cooper (Age 6)
 Lynette
 Linda East
 Tom Whiting Jr
 Chad McFarland
 Bonnie Windemuth
 Mary McDaniel
 Jackie Rexrode (Age 7)
 Michael Rexrode (Age 9)
 Sandy Dennis
 Nick C (Age 6)
 Chris C (Age 5)
 Ann Ray
 Travis Ryan
 Thomas Wilson
 Elena Capelli
 Tommy Mullen (Age 12)
 Linda Masters
 Jina Z. (Age 8)



Where oh Where?

In the January 6th edition of the Purcellville Gazette, the Where oh Where photo was taken at Chaz Weber's, "Our Shops in Toyland," store located at the blinking lights in Purcellville. Chaz has dozens of jars of sweet sticks and rock candy behind the check-out counter. We had many residents write in asking if the location was Hill High Country Store, Purcellville Marketplace, and the Fun Shop in Middleburg.

Do you know where this picture was taken in western Loudoun?



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Community Calendar

Holiday & Seasonal Events

JANUARY THROUGH MARCH

@ 11:30 am to 5 pm, Saturday until 6 pm
Soup of the Day at Veramar, come and relax by our fireplace with a delicious bowl of homemade soup. (540) 955-5510 or info@veramar.com

JANUARY 29TH @ 12 to 2 pm

Chinese New Year Dog Walk at the Lovettsville Community Center. Honor your dog- walk with us in town, play in our special dog run and enjoy hot tea and egg rolls. (540) 822-5284
ADMISSION FEE: \$3 person, dogs are FREE

Health, Fitness, and Safety Events

JANUARY 20TH AND 24TH @ 4 to 7:30 pm

The Inova Loudoun Hospital's Mobile Health Services provides flu shots; available to children ages 4-17 with a parent or legal guardian, and seniors with Medicare Part B; located at the Town of Purcellville Government Center at 130 E. Main Street on the 20th and at the Western Loudoun Medical Center located at 224 Cornwall Street in Leesburg on the 24th (703) 779-4048 ADMISSION FEE: \$25 per shot

JANUARY 21ST AND 22ND @ 8 am to 4:30 pm

DMV Approved Commercial Driver Improvement Course (Jan 21st) & Driver Improvement Course (Jan 22nd) at the Virginia Rescue Training Center located on 2 Cardinal Park Dr., #105A in Leesburg. (703) 675-6632 or SFAWZI@VRTC.ORG ADMISSION FEE: \$65

JANUARY 21ST @ Call for times

Kum Nye Relaxation Yoga Workshop at the Anahata Center for Yoga & Wellness located at 12 South St. SE in Leesburg. (703) 771-0006 or www.experienceanahatayoga.com ADMISSION FEE: \$30

JANUARY 23RD @ 2 to 7 pm

The Inova Loudoun Hospital's Mobile Health Services provides flu shots; available to children ages 4-17 with a parent or legal guardian, and seniors with Medicare Part B. The shots are located at the Town of Middleburg Safeway. (703) 779-4048
ADMISSION FEE: \$25 per shot

JANUARY 24TH @ 4:30 pm

A children's support program is offered at the Radiation Oncology Center at Inova Loudoun Hospital located at 44035 Riverside Parkway, Suite 100 in Leesburg. The program addresses concerns children may have when a loved one is diagnosed with cancer. The group meets every Tuesday, for ages 5-12. Registration is required. (703) 208-5623

JANUARY 26TH @ 6:30 to 8 pm

Reiki sessions are offered at the Radiation Oncology Center at Inova Loudoun Hospital located at 44035 Riverside Parkway, Suite 100 in Leesburg. These sessions are open to those touched by cancer. (patients, family, friends) The group meets the fourth Thursday of each month. Registration is required. (703) 858-8857

JANUARY 29TH @ 9 am to 4 pm

CPR (Adult, Child, and Infant) and First Aid course at the Virginia Rescue Training Center located on 2 Cardinal Park Dr., #105A in Leesburg. (703) 675-6632 or SFAWZI@VRTC.ORG ADMISSION FEE: CPR- \$55, FIRST AID- \$35, COMBO CLASS- \$80

Farming and Gardening Events

FEBRUARY 2ND @ 11:00 am

Loudoun County Master Gardener Volunteers invite the public to attend their monthly meeting. The meeting will be held at Endless Summer Harvest greenhouses, located at 36474 Osburn Road in Purcellville. (703) 777-0373 or www.esharvest.com

Reading, Writing, & Language Events

JANUARY 26TH AND FEBRUARY 2ND @ 7 to 9 pm

English classes at the Purcellville Baptist Church, 2 days a week of English instruction offered to for beginner class, walk-ins are welcome (540) 338-6400
ONE TIME ADMISSION FEE: \$15

Religious Events

JANUARY 22ND @ 8:30 and 11 am services

The Rev. Denise J. Honeycutt, Virginia Conference Director of Mission and Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church, will preach at Harmony United Methodist Church located at 380 East Colonial Highway in Hamilton. Everyone is invited. (540) 338-2937

Family Events

JANUARY 22ND @ 5:30 pm

Community Skating Party at the Purcellville Skating Rink; admission is FREE, skate rental \$2 sponsored by the Kids Count Children's Ministry of Loudoun Valley Church (540) 668-6357 or www.lvcn.org

JANUARY 27TH @ 6 to 9 pm

Lovettsville Elementary School PTO will be hosting a Themed Basket Bingo. Bingo winners will receive baskets filled with themed prizes. This month's caller is Town Councilman (and fireman) Bobby Zoldos. Dinner at 6 pm; open to the public tinroofhouse@verizon.net

Children's Events

JANUARY 24TH AND 31ST @ 9 am to 12 pm

Playtime at the Purcellville Skating Rink (bring toys and balls), there will be kid's music, colored & spinning lights, and concession (540) 338-5025 or www.pvilleskating.com ADMISSION FEE: \$4 PER CHILD

JANUARY 22ND @ 1 to 3 pm

The annual St. Francis deSales, Knights of Columbus, Free Throw Basketball Contest at the Harmony Intermediate School Gym in Hamilton; contest is free and open to children ages 10 to 14. Plaques will be awarded; parent signature is required (540) 338-6110

Loudoun Valley High & Hamilton Elementary

JANUARY 20TH, 23RD

End of the second quarter / semester

JANUARY 23RD

Movable Student Holiday

JANUARY 27TH @ 6 pm

Hamilton Elementary PTA movie night

JANUARY 28TH

LVHS DECA annual district competition

JANUARY 31ST @ 9 am

Hamilton Spelling Bee

FEBRUARY 1ST

Report cards sent home

Music, Dance, & Teen Events

SATURDAYS NOW THROUGH FEBRUARY 25TH

@ 7 pm to 1:30 pm
Lucketts Bluegrass located at the Lucketts Community Center, 42361 Lucketts Road, Rte. 15 N from Leesburg. Bluegrass is synonymous with Lucketts! Refreshments will be available (703) 771-5281
ADMISSION FEE: \$12

JANUARY 20TH AND 27TH

Grades 6th to 8th from 7 to 9 pm, Grades 9th to 12th from 9:30 to 11 pm
Teen Center at the Purcellville Skating Rink located on 250 S. Nursery Ave. (540) 338-5025 or www.pvilleskating.com
FREE ADMISSION!

JANUARY 27TH @ 6 pm

Round Hill Center's monthly Bluegrass and Folk Jam Session, join us for an evening of music and fun! Dinner and drinks will be available for purchase (540) 338-5050
FREE ADMISSION!

Art Galleries, Theater, and Workshops

JANUARY 9TH THROUGH FEBRUARY

@ varied times
Registration is now open for art classes and workshops at the Loudoun Academy of the Arts. The winter session begins the week of January 9 and continues for seven weeks, through February. Adult and children's classes are available. www.loudounacademy.org or (703) 777-8043
ADMISSION FEES: VARY RESPECTLY, CALL FOR DETAILS

JANUARY 21ST AND 28TH & FEBRUARY 4TH

@ 2 to 5 pm, reading of works at 7 pm
The Aurora Studio Theatre presents a Crash Course for Young Playwrights, a three-day high school play writing seminar at the Round Hill Arts Center. Write your own ten-minute play and receive a dramatic reading by actors, limit 12 students (540) 338-7973 or fparts@loudoun.gov for reservations
ADMISSION FEE: \$60 per student

JANUARY 20TH OR 27TH

@ Reserve you 10-minute presentation from 7 to 10 pm
Auditions for "Roger and Hamerstein's Cinderella," to be produced April 21 - May 7 in Hillsboro and Leesburg; located at the Hillsboro Old School Theatre; bring a 1-2 minute monologue, and 16-32 bars of a ballad or upbeat song along with sheet music (stepsister roles- bring upbeat song). info@aurorastudiotheatre.org
ADMISSION FEE: \$60 per student

JANUARY 23RD - 27TH @ 9 am to 5 pm

Youth Art Show at the Franklin Arts Center in Round Hill. The suggested theme for the Seventh Annual Youth Art Show is "Color Your World." All art accepted, must be framed, matted, or ready to hang. Limit 2 entries per person. Judging and ribbons! info@aurorastudiotheatre.org
ADMISSION FEE: \$1

Local Club Meetings and Events

JANUARY 19TH @ 7:30 to 9 pm

C.O.P.E, the Community Organization for Prevention Education meeting is held at the Loudoun Valley High School Library. There is an immediate need for volunteers to help put up the pledge cards from the Parent Who Host Lose the Most Campaign, in both Valley and Harmony Schools. If you can spare an afternoon, please contact Rhonda Wells at (540) 338-769. bdwww@aol.com, susankhalil@aol.com, Philip@the-teen-center.com

JANUARY 21ST @ 5 to 8 pm

Sons of the American Legion Squadron 293 are hosting a Chili Cook-Off fundraiser at the Post in Purcellville. Members and their guests can bring a favorite chili dish; prizes will be awarded. All are welcome to enjoy the Chili Fest! (703) 779-2039
ADMISSION FEE: \$5 for chili, \$5 for all you can eat chili w/cornbread and drink

JANUARY 24TH @ from 6:30 to 8 pm

The Purcellville Lion's Club meets at the Loudoun Golf & Country Club in Purcellville

JANUARY 24TH @ 7 pm

The Western Loudoun County Optimist Club has its dinner meeting at the Loudoun Golf & Country Club in Purcellville

JANUARY 25TH @ 7 to 9 pm

Round Hill Writers Group meets at the Purcellville Library

JANUARY 26TH AND FEBRUARY 2ND @ 7 am

The Purcellville Rotary Club meets at the Bethany Methodist Church in Purcellville

JANUARY 26TH @ 8 pm

The Lovettsville Town Council Meeting is held at the town hall located at 6 East Pennsylvania Avenue (540) 882-5788

JANUARY 27TH @ 12 pm

The Purcellville Garden Club meets at the Purcellville Library located on 220 E. Main Street (540) 338-0950

JANUARY 30TH @ 7 pm

America Legion Post 293 Executive Committee Meeting (540) 338-0910

FEBRUARY 2ND @ 8 pm

Round Hill Town Council Meeting at the Town Office www.roundhillva.org



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