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HOLLIN HILLS BULLETIN



FROM THE CAHH PRESIDENT

Now is the time

Have you ever spent any time looking at the first ten pages of the Hollin Hills Directory? It lists the members of the CAHH Board and the many committees that work under its alleged auspices, such as the DRC Committee, the Parks Committee, the Hollin Hills archives, the Hollin Hills Pool, the Hollin Hills Tennis Club, the Home and Garden Tour committee, the nominating committee, the greeters, the Hollin Hills Bulletin, the Hollin Hills Directory, and the MVCCA representatives (ever heard of that one?). In addition there are various social clubs: a book club, a gourmet dinner club, the Democratic club, a French club, and an orchid society (although I don't think the orchid society is actually in Hollin Hills anymore). Each of the big social events, such as the July 4th Picnic, Oktoberfest, and the mid-winter gala takes many people to organize. A few years ago, we applied for and got listed on the National and Virginia Registries of Historic Places. That took an enormous effort. It takes literally hundreds of people to make it all go.

Do you know what all those efforts and activities have in common? Amazingly, they all are run by volunteers. Lots of people actually put themselves out in one way or another to make our community a better place. A lot of these committees have volunteers who agree to serve for a term, usually two years, and they can opt for another term if they wish. The CAHH Board itself is made up of volunteers who are elected by the CAHH membership. About half of the Board are elected every year at the fall membership meeting, and in January they assume their duties.

I assume you have figured out by now that I am making a pitch for volunteers.

Right now, we have three upcoming openings on the Board: Social Chair, Membership Chair, and Vice President, and as I write this, we have only one person who has agreed to serve. We also have openings on the MVCCA, which by the way, is the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Association, a public interest council of which we are a member. I am happy to report that we just got a stalwart volunteer to serve on the DRC, an essential but difficult role.

So please step up. The following is actually true: Now is the time for all good men (and women) to come the aid of the country/community. Call me (703-768-3797), email me (gus.matson@gmail.com), or knock on my door (7410 Recard Lane), and volunteer! You won't regret it.

Update on the trial

Last month, we ended that topic with a cliff-hanger of sorts. Well, the trial happened, and there were no miracles, at least not yet. The testimony portion of the trial was pretty much predictable. There were a total of four witnesses. Perry Mason dramatics were not present. just a presentation of the facts, without much dispute as to what the facts were. The real dispute had to do with covenants themselves, with what they mean. Both attorneys presented their cases with a lot of thought and vigor, and each had a deeper understanding of the underlying restrictive covenants than I had. I suppose that's good. At the end of the day, the judge asked the attorneys to write and present briefs to explain in detail

**LOST YOUR LEDERHOSEN?
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DON'T WORRY!**

**JOIN THE FUN ANYWAY
AT OUR 3RD ANNUAL**

Oktoberfest!

**Saturday, October 3
3:00 - 6:00 pm
HH Pool parking lot**

We'll be serving German beer and bratwurst, and each household is asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share. If it's a German dish all the better, but that's not required.

German music will add to the atmosphere, and Bavarian style dress is encouraged but optional.

This is a family event. There are fun activities planned for the kids, and the adults will have a chance to win a prize—a German beer stein.

If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Barbara Jacobs (prbjacobs@verizon.net).

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the complexities of their arguments. The time frames for the briefs and responses stretches to February. The judge also strongly encouraged both sides to settle the case. Having listened to all of the arguments, I can understand why. Nothing is actually a sure bet here. Hopefully, over the next few months, a miracle may still happen. I hope so. When there is news I can report, I will. Please keep your fingers crossed.

—Gus Matson, CAHH President

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HOLLIN HILLS ARCHIVES

The Hollin Hills Archives are part of the Special Collections and Archives of George Mason University. To contact the SC&A staff with research questions, use the following:

- For a general description of the Hollin Hills archives contents, go to http://sca.gmu.edu/finding_aids/hollinhills.html.
- For questions about collections, hours, usage, duplications, or directions go to http://sca.gmu.edu/using_sc&a.html.
- Other contacts: phone 703-993-2220, fax inquiries 703-993-8911, email speccoll@gmu.edu.

WWW.HOLLINHILLS.NET

Calendar of community events and information about our parks, the Design Review Committee, the National Historic Registry, and more.

NEWS OF OUR SCHOOLS

Great start at Hollin Meadows!

The 2015-16 school year started off with lots of smiling faces and many Hollin Hills neighbors dropping off their Hollin Meadows students for the first day of school and attending Back to School Night.

If you are looking for ways to get involved with the school, consider becoming a member of the PTA or lend a hand with maintaining HMS's award-winning outdoor classroom by volunteering for Second Sundays in the Garden (the next one is October. 11). There are many other ways to help support our neighborhood school. Please feel free to contact me for more information (sharon.sydow@gmail.com).



Tom Sydow, all ready for the new school year

FCPS Budget: We can be part of the solution

There is always a lot of news and concern about the Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) budget and, more specifically, budget cuts. FCPS has created a new way to evaluate the many proposals for closing the budget gap. The Budget Proposal Tool is an online site where stakeholders can provide their recommendations for addressing the projected FY 2107 deficit that FCPS is facing. While it is not the first time (and won't be the last) that our schools face budget problems, it is still critical that we provide input into this process, given the possible impacts for Hollin Meadows and other area schools. Possible changes include eliminating full day kindergarten and AAP centers, as well as increasing class sizes. Visit <http://www.fcps.edu/news/fy2017/budget-tool.shtml> to learn more.

Urgent: Calling all fans of Thin Mints (and of the Girl Scouts, too).

The service unit that includes Hollin Meadows and other area schools' Girl Scout troops is in desperate need of an adult volunteer to help coordinate the Girl Scout cookies sales this year. There are other volunteer positions, too, so please consider helping to fill these needs, especially if you or someone you know is a current Girl Scout parent or alumni. Contact Lynda Busse, gssu533@gmail.com.

—Sharon Sydow

Send us news of your school

Tell us of events and achievements at the local high school and middle school, too.

Left: On Labor Day, HMS Brownie Troop 3012 helped to make "Popsicles on the Playground" a big success and a welcoming experience for new and returning families. Hollin Hillers Riley Goldberg (far left) and Amina Wilbur (not shown) are members of this Daisy troop.



Below: It was a busy opening day for the 2015-16 year at Hollin Meadows.



Quick Takes

WELCOME...

• Welcome to Dana Louttit and John Loonsk. They've moved into the former home of Sandy Poole and Blaise de Franceaux at 7211 Beechwood. Dana is an attorney, and John works in health care IT. They have two daughters, Hannah and Harper, away at college, and lots of pets—two dogs, a cat, and a lizard. They lived most recently in D.C. and Maryland, but are quickly becoming Virginians, having already visited Huntley Meadows and ridden their bikes to Mount Vernon

—Susan Kubach

We send a warm welcome to these new households on Elba Road:

• Joe Hart has been at 7608 Elba since July, after shopping for a Hollin Hills home for a year. He is living amidst renovation, painting, and redoing floors and kitchen. What he likes best about Hollin Hills are “the people.” Joe is in the Navy, stationed at Fort Belvoir after years overseas as a Navy pilot. A cycling enthusiast, he bikes to work and enjoys long distance rides like the RAGBRAI across Iowa, where he grew up. Contact: 703-660-5919(h), 904-891-6689(c), and sheosainh@aol.com.

• At 7612 Elba, Sean and Jaelyn Vann (and dog Josie) are settled in after months of renovation and getting married this July at Mount Vernon Unitarian. Sean is with Beasley Real Estate, and Jaelyn works for ALFA, a trade association—both at Old Town offices. They hike and camp, and Sean sings with a rock band. They welcome questions about their extensive renovation. Contact Sean: 202-468-8653, svann@beasleyre.com.

• Dave VanAmeyden and Kristen Clark-VanAmeyden married a month after moving to 7700 Elba in summer 2014 along with their cats Jack Sparrow and Henry Miller. They love being in our community, where being in the woods reminds Kristen of camping out. Both Air Force veterans, they now work as consultants with government defense agencies. Dave is a cyclist, and by coincidence, has also done the Iowa RAGBRAI cross-state ride. Contact: dave_v_23@yahoo.com.



—Judy Riggins

FRESH AIR, FRIENDS, AND A FULFILLING PROJECT

If you would like to enjoy the great fall weather while doing something useful and productive with friends and neighbors, why not be part of one of the Hollin Hills park clean ups? The next ones are scheduled for October 17 and November 17. Join the Parks Committee Facebook page or add your name to the clean up crew list by contacting the committee's co-chairs, John and Cynthia Crowder, at crowderclaudia@gmail.com.

STEM CAREERS: A CONVERSATION WITH PROFESSOR BARBARA BOGUE

Mount Vernon At Home is very pleased that Barbara Bogue, a Hollin Hills resident, has agreed to bring us up to date on careers in STEM—science, technology, engineering, and math—and, in particular, why STEM careers can be good choices for girls.

Members of the community are invited to this program on Sunday, October 18, 3-4:30 pm., at Mt. Vernon Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Lane, on Mason Hill.

Women in college in the fifties, sixties, and seventies were not encouraged to pursue STEM careers. Fortunately, times have changed, and we can now enthusiastically

support our daughters and granddaughters who consider these areas of study. Dr. Bogue will explain how STEM careers prepare students to meet challenges in an ever-changing world. Highlighted will be the impact of growth and fixed mindset, stereotype threat, and implicit bias affecting a student's ability to perform.

At Penn State, as director and founder of the Women in Engineering Program, Dr. Bogue initiated recruitment and retention programs. She cofounded and directed the National Science Foundation AWE (Assessing Women and Men in Engineering) Project. Most recently, she advocated for women in STEM before the House of Representatives Subcommittee on Research and Science Education.

The author of numerous publications, she has co-edited user friendly guides to gender research. In addition to many other awards, she received the Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics and Engineering Mentoring Programs.

Barbara lives in Hollin Hills with her husband, Gary Koopman, (and conveniently near their children and six grandchildren). She is a willing chauffeur, a master gardener, plays classical guitar, and serves on the Hollin Hills Pool Board. Please contact Mary-Carroll Potter by October 9 at 703-768-6590 or marycarrollpotter@verizon.net if you would

POLICE INFORMATION SOURCES

The Public Information Office of the Fairfax County Police Department (FCPD) uses many means to communicate with the public, including Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, the Washington Post, and Connections newspapers. At the September 8 meeting of the Citizens Advisory Committee, Captain Ed O'Carroll, the public information director, provided the following list for obtaining information on police activities:

- News/information updates FCPD daily news blog: <https://fcpdnews.wordpress.com>
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/fairfaxcountypolice
- Twitter: <https://twitter.com/fairfaxpolice>
- FCPD on Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/fairfaxcountypolice>
- Learn what police respond to in your neighborhood: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/policeevents>
- Crime statistics in Fairfax County: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/crime/statistics>
- Quarterly news program: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/newsroom/onthebeat.htm>
- Learn why a FCPD helicopter is flying above: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/helicopter>
- Report crimes online: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/120413citizenreportingsystems.htm>
- FCPD Public Information Office, 4100 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, VA 22030 793-246-2253, FCPD-PIO@fairfaxcounty.gov TTY 711

—Reported by Laura Wirkkala

an outdoor **TO DO** list for autumn

Fall is a busy time in the garden, but chores you tackle now will save you time next spring:

Lawn care

Labor Day was the time to start working on the lawn, and October might be a little late for a complete makeover. Save your seed and put it down in January, just before a big snowstorm. This greenskeeper's trick, called "dormant overseeding," give you a head start in the spring.

On the other hand, it's not too late to put down fertilizer and soil amendments. Cut the grass short and bag the clippings, which are mostly lignin after a dry summer and won't break down in place. Choose a good lawn fertilizer with slow-release nitrogen (IBDU or CDU) and lots of potassium to promote root growth. (Nitrogen and potassium are the first and third numbers on the label formula.) Turf Trust (24-2-12) is a good chemical fertilizer that will release nutrients over 12-14 weeks, but at \$69.99 it's pretty expensive; Jonathan Greenway's "Winter Survival" blend (10-0-20) is a good organic formulation that costs about half as much for the same coverage. Both are available at Village Hardware.

In the past I've recommended gypsum (calcium sulfate) to improve soil porosity without changing the pH. However, gypsum has gotten so expensive, especially in easy-to-apply pelletized form, that it might

be cheaper to wait until after a good rain and have someone run a core-aerator over your lawn. Oscar Chavez, 571-278-8470, offers this service.

Do, however, put down pelletized limestone (calcium carbonate), which also loosens our clay soil and neutralizes some of its natural acidity. Wait two weeks after fertilizing, so the two don't interact, and put down the limestone with a broadcast spreader, hopper wide open. That works out to about 40 lbs. per 1,000 square feet of lawn, which won't be too much.

Soil testing

Plan to do a real soil test over the winter—you can get a kit with detailed instructions at Sherwood Hall Library. You might want to do two tests, one with samples from your lawn, and another from your flower or vegetable beds. The technicians at Virginia Tech will do a thorough analysis and send you back explicit recommendations for the exact chemical amendments you need to get the most out of your lawn and borders. The basic test is \$10, with optional tests for organic matter (\$4) and soluble salts (\$2).

Planting trees and shrubs

Fall is a great time for planting trees and shrubs. We recently had some tree work done that left a big hole in our canopy, so we need a medium-size tree to plug the hole. It will probably be a yellowwood (*Cladrastis*

kentukea), a low-maintenance native shade tree that bears fragrant white flowers in spring and yellow leaves in fall. It will be a nice "echo" of another yellowwood that has done well at the opposite end of the back yard, growing to about 20 feet in 5 years; it will be no more than 40 feet at maturity.

Setting up a compost bin

Now is also the time to set up compost bins to deal with the leaves that start falling this month. Run the mower over the leaves once to chop them up, then mow again with the bagging attachment to vacuum up the pieces. Smaller pieces break down faster, and the remaining litter is a good top dressing for the lawn. Use the finished compost to mulch your borders next summer.

Mosquito control for next year

A single spraying with "Bonide Mosquito Beater Natural" has controlled our mosquitoes for three months. There has been no return of the voracious *Aedes albopictus* (Asian tiger mosquito), and I didn't see any of the pesky little *A. vexans* until mid-September. A second spraying in August might have carried us through the fall, but at this point we can probably wait for first frost in November. This was certainly a good alternative to having a commercial service spray poison every two weeks for the entire growing season.

—Paul B. Phelps

Design Review

The Design Review Committee met on September 2, at Sherwood Hall Library. Members in attendance were Frank Collins (chair), John Burns, Christine Kelly, Roger Miller, and Ken Wilson. The committee acted upon these proposals:

- **2109 Mason Hill:** Sam Gyulnazarian presented an advanced conceptual design for an addition in response to concerns expressed by the DRC after a July presentation. A motion was made to approve the revised conceptual design with the provision that final project approval will require details of materials being used for the addition in the final construction documents. The motion was approved, 3-1 (Roger Miller voting against), with one abstention (Ken Wilson).
- **2405 Brentwood Place:** Christine Kelly, the architect for the renovation, presented plans for the restoration of the exterior of the home to include moving the front

door flush with the front of the house, replacing sliding glass doors, adding casement windows for bedroom egress, installing a white, rubberized EPDM roof, and adding box gutters. A motion was made to approve the exterior changes as presented with reconsideration of the color of the roof by the homeowner to be voted upon administratively. The motion carried, 3-1 (Kelly recused herself).

- **2105 Martha's Road:** Darren Pogoda presented plans for a privacy screen on the south side of his home to be of either redwood or cedar that would be approximately 90 feet in length. The screen would be stained to match the color of the siding on the new addition that is being constructed. A motion was made to approve the conceptual design of the privacy screen under the provision that the final design be presented for approval and that the top board of the fence remain the same eleva-

tion. The motion passed unanimously.

- **7203 Rebecca Drive:** Kim Gregson and Sebastian Kossek, presented plans with their architect, Christine Kelly, for a master bath enlargement. A motion to approve the plans as presented was approved, 4-0 (Kelly recused herself).
- **2407 Nemeth Court:** Robert Fina presented plans for window and siding replacement at the home of Dean Rust and Merry Vance. The plans for the project were approved unanimously.
- **1942 Martha's Road:** Roger Miller presented initial plans for a screen porch at the home of Lisa Price. The DRC commented favorably on the design but was unable to approve the project due to a lack of time.

The next meeting will be held on October 14 at Sherwood Hall Library.

—Patrick Kelly, CAHH/DRC Liaison

LETTERS TO THE BULLETIN

We speak for the trees

As we sit on the wooded hilltop in our backyard, we continue to be grateful that Charles Goodman and Bob Davenport had the vision to develop this extraordinary community. “To me, it was the perfect land for residential living—a setting of natural beauty that should be preserved at all costs in the process of development.” (*Charles Goodman, FAIA*) The challenge remains as relevant today as it was in 1949. As longtime resident and landscape architect Dennis Carmichael so eloquently explains, “The houses of Hollin Hills are in the landscape, not on the landscape. And this broad surrender of the architecture to the broad sweep of nature is unmatched anywhere.”

However, not everyone who lives in Hollin Hills shares this vision. Sadly, one of the spectacular 100 foot tall hardwood trees so important to the distinctive character and spirit of Hollin Hills is being cut down because it drops nuts in the fall. As a community, we need to preserve and protect more than just our built environment; we need to preserve and protect

our natural environment as well. If we cut down all the trees, we will no longer be living in a House in the Woods. “Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It’s not.” (*The Lorax*)

—*Thomas and Sharon Kuester*

I am writing this letter to express my concern in regard to Tom and Sharon Keuster’s predicament about their “messy” hickory tree. Its sin is that it drops nuts that land on their neighbor’s yard and car, apparently causing some minor damage. This seems like a small issue that might be resolved amicably by neighbors agreeing to work together to reduce the annoyance, as Tom and Sharon have by trimming the offensive branches of the tree that spread over the neighbor’s yard. Apparently, small measures were not enough, and the Keusters must now decide whether to cut down a healthy tree that grows in their own yard or face a “messy” lawsuit.

Here is why this is important: that tree was here before any of us, or our houses, or our cars were here. By all rights, it would be

here after we are gone. And, yet, it seems doomed by someone more concerned with material possessions than the natural environment that nurtures us. While we cherish the architecture of Hollin Hills, and work diligently to protect that cultural resource, we must defend as well the forests of Hollin Hills, as this natural resource is just as important.

It’s only one tree, some might say, but I worry that it is too easy to cut down trees in our neighborhood. I have seen many trees removed in our neighborhood over the years for trivial reasons, with no warning, and no recourse.

Most of us moved here in part for the serenity of living in the woods. I think it is time to have a community discussion about our values and how we can be more effective stewards of our forest before we wake up some morning and realize it is too late.

—*Dennis Carmichael*



BOOK REPORT

The Book Club met on September 16 at Louise Wiener’s house, to discuss Jon Meacham’s 2012 biography *Thomas Jefferson: the Art of Power*.

In Jefferson’s early years, I was surprised to learn, he had been a member of the House of Burgesses and governor of Virginia. On a national level, he was Washington’s secretary of state and vice president under Adams before becoming president, but in designing his tombstone, he cited only three things: Author of the Declaration of Independence, Author of the Virginia Statute of Religious Liberty, and Founder of the University of Virginia.

Meacham tells the reader that he “did not set out to write a full life and times of Jefferson,” but rather to give the reader a “portrait of the man and his world.” I think this book succeeds; it is a formidable work of scholarship. For a one-volume book, it appears to be frighteningly long, but one-third of it is made up of notes, bibliography, and an excellent index. The amount and breadth of the sources—American, British, and French books, papers, and letters, many never previously published—help Meacham offer other points of view besides those in several

other recent popular biographies of various founding fathers, such as Washington, Adams, Madison, and Hamilton, which Meacham thought had given short shrift to Jefferson. Meacham quotes from many of Jefferson’s letters, and we learn Jefferson’s reasons for many of his stands and actions. The country was new, its government was new, and political philosophies became hardened, with both sides very suspicious of the other. The Federalists, such as Washington, John Adams (sometimes), and, most of all, Hamilton seemed like monarchists to republicans like Jefferson and Madison. If Jefferson wanted to make a suggestion to his political opponents, he had friends bring up the idea with no suggestion about where it had come from. In his philosophy, he was idealistic, but in his political life, he was ambitious and could be crafty.

Jefferson was happily married for ten years to Martha (Patty) Wayles Skelton Jefferson, and he appeared to be a very loving and faithful husband. They had many children, but only one lived beyond 25. Patty suffered poor health and died at 34. Before his marriage, Jefferson had been in love with a young woman who was not interested in him, and it took him some

time to recover. He then fell in love with a young woman who married a childhood friend of his. It was hard for him to take “no” for an answer. It is depressing to think of this brilliant and charming man behaving in that way. And then, of course, there was his problematic and controversial relationship with Sally Hemings.

Next month, the club will meet at Sandy Kabat’s house to discuss *Dear Life*, a book of 14 short stories by Alice Munro, who Booklist reviewer Brad Hooper has called “arguably the best short-story writer in English today.”

—*Louise Wiener*



HELP WANTED

Hollin Hillers residents looking for a great opportunity to serve our community can become candidates for the Civic Association (CAHH) Board. Openings are available for social chair, membership chair, and vice-president. Experience is not necessary, but enthusiasm for our community is essential. Contact Gus Matson (gus.matson@gmail.com) to apply or to learn more.

PLANNING & ZONING

On September 8, the Transportation and Planning & Zoning (P&Z) Committees of the Mt. Vernon Council of Citizens Associations (MVCCA) met jointly to consider two land use topics.

Hunting Club Redevelopment

Just west of the Huntington Station, there is a long established complex, Hunting Club, made up of about 190 individually owned apartments in 10 buildings on 19 acres. Over several years, the P&Z has heard various proposals for redeveloping the site for more intensive use that would include

office space and some retail businesses facing Huntington Avenue. We have now been told that there is far too much office space available in the area, and that is land would have no value for that purpose. Future redevelopment proposals will concentrate on using it as residential space.

Morning Star Day Care

The December 2014 Bulletin included mention of a day care facility that might be built near the Woodlawn Shopping Center. My visit to the site was not encouraging. At the September meeting, sixteen area resi-

dents, all of whom live on Woodlawn Court, made convincing arguments that the proposed facility should not be approved. Woodlawn Court is a narrow street that can barely accommodate utility service vehicles. The day care site would be small and have very limited parking. In addition, access to northbound Richmond Highway would be prohibited. Every member of both the P&Z and Transportation Committees voted against the Morning Star special exception application.

—Burt Kronstedt



MUSICMAN

Fall is here. No frost on the pumpkin yet, but lots of good music, mostly free or low cost.

- Thu., 10/1, 7:30pm, Lyceum: U.S. Air Force Chamber Players, Air Force Strings, Kreisler: Praeludium and Allegro, Prokofiev: Sonata for Violin in D major, Schumann: Piano Quintet, www.usafband.af.mil
- Sat., 10/3, 8pm, Hylton Performing Arts Center: Metropolitan Jazz Orchestra adults \$44-\$26, youth half-price <http://hylton-center.org/calendar/635/>
- Wed., 10/7, 8pm, Mr. Henry's, 601 Penn. Ave. SE: Capitol Hill Jazz Jam (every Wednesday) www.mrhenrysd.com
- Thu., 10/8, 7:30pm, Lyceum: U.S. Air Force Chamber Players - flute, saxophone, jazz combo. www.usafband.af.mil
- Sat., 10/10, 7pm, Lyceum: Ars Nova Chamber Orchestra – Faure: Pelleus et

Melisande, Bizet: Carmen Suite, Wagner: Tristan und Isolde, Prelude. \$15 advance, \$20 at door www.ancoselfconducted.org

- Thu., 10/15, 7:30pm, Lyceum U.S. Air Force Chamber Players — Music for Mixed String Ensemble. www.usafband.af.mil
- Sat., 10/17, 7pm, Church of St. Clement 1701 N. Quaker Ln: Focus Concerts: Gina DeSimone and Kevin Dudley \$15 advance, \$18 at door www.ginadesimone.com, www.kdudleymusic.com
- Tue., 10/20, 7:30, Episc. HS Pendleton Hall: National Chamber Players - Haydn: Piano Trio, No. 44, Brahms String Quintet No. 2 www.episcopalhighschool.org/arts/ncp_ehs/
- Wed., 10/21, 7pm, Bistro Lopic, 1736 Wisc. Ave. NW: Hot Club of DC (gypsy jazz) www.hcofdc.com
- Thu., 10/22, 7:30, Lyceum: U.S. Air

Force Ceremonial Brass (brass ensemble) www.usafband.af.mil

- Fri., 10/23, 8pm, U of MD Clarice Center for the Performing Arts: U.S. Air Force Airmen of Note, Jazz Heritage Series, guest artists Marvin Stamm (trumpet), Bill Mays (piano/composer) www.usafband.af.mil
- Sun., 10/25, 3pm, GW Masonic National Memorial: Washington Metropolitan Philharmonic, Bruch: Kol Nidre, Lawrence Rie: At First Light, Tchaikovsky: Symphony No.6 (Pathetique) www.wmpamusic.org
- Thu., 10/29, 7:30pm, Lyceum: U.S. Air Force Chamber Players, Music for Jazz Combo (players from Airmen of Note) www.usafband.af.mil
- Sun., 11/1, 2pm, Alden Theater: Playing by Air (music and juggling for all ages) \$20 www.playingbyair.com

—Tony Jordan