

# Take the Plunge

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Zach Patteson, a dive coach at the Fairfax Pool on Roberts Road, shows off his moves on the opening day of the summer season.



## Patriots Roll Out

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# Pot Growing Operation Plants Jail Time

Police found \$14,000 in cash, 38 ounces of marijuana, and a grow operation in student's home.

BY KEN MOORE  
THE CONNECTION

While jailed in the Fairfax Adult Detention Center since January, Theodore Phalan, 30, earned writing awards from George Mason University, which permitted Phalan to finish course

work while serving time, said his defense attorney Karin Kissiah.

"He is attempting to redeem himself in the eyes of the court," Kissiah said.

Judge Marcus D. Williams sentenced Phalan, who pleaded guilty in January to possession of marijuana with intent to distribute, to



Theodore Phalan

10 years. He suspended all but 9 months of the sentence, and ordered that Phalan remain on supervised release for two years after he completes his nine-month sentence in jail.

"This doesn't sound like a casual operation," Judge Williams said, immediately before sentencing Phalan,

formerly of Burke and now from Fairfax.

Judge Williams read multiple letters in support of Phalan from his family, friends and George Mason professors.

"This case is a real puzzle. The letters talk about intelligence, deep thinking, passion," said Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Kathryn S. Swart. "This is a man who knew

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## Full Metal Parking Lot

**“We who wear uniforms stand on the shoulders of veterans who served before us.”**  
— Sgt. Maj. Kenneth O. Preston

**Tenth annual Ride of the Patriots honors veterans and current military servicemen.**

BY AMBER HEALY  
THE CONNECTION

Once again, the parking lot at Patriot Harley-Davidson on Fairfax Boulevard was filled with the sound of bagpipes, words of pride and the roar of over 3,000 Harley Davidson engines on Sunday, May 25, for the annual Ride of the Patriots to the Pentagon.

Motorcycle enthusiasts of all shapes and sizes, including a handful of dogs, gathered in the dealership's parking lot to hear keynote speaker Sgt. Maj. Kenneth O. Preston, the highest-ranking enlisted member of the U.S. Army.

“For 10 years, the Ride of the Patriots has taken the message of remembrance and honor for those who gave the most for our freedom,” Preston said to the crowd, many carrying American flags in their hands or on the back of their motorcycles. “I’m proud to be a member of your ranks today. We who wear uniforms stand on the shoulders of veterans who served before us.”

Preston was not the only crowd-pleasing



**Monty, a scrappy-looking pup owned by Sue Gough of Fredrick, Md., wore his Army-inspired jacket for the Ride of the Patriots on Sunday, May 25.**

attraction during the morning's ceremony. The motorcycle he rode on was custom-made for the Army by the crew at Orange County Choppers, a well-known TV show on the TLC cable network.

Several elected officials, including City of Fairfax Mayor Rob Lederer; City Council members Patrice Winters and Jeff Greenfield; Fairfax County Board of Super-



**A parking lot full of motorcyclists revved their engines before starting the 13-mile journey to the Pentagon from Patriot Harley-Davidson in Fairfax, for the annual Ride of the Patriots.**

visors Chairman Gerry Connolly (D-At-large); Del. David Bulova (D-37) and State Sen. Chap Peterson (D-34).

The annual parade of motorcycles joins with the national Rolling Thunder procession in the Pentagon parking lots before

making their way over the Roosevelt Bridge and through downtown Washington, D.C., where thousands of spectators line Constitution Avenue to watch, cheer, and honor fallen soldiers and those still missing in action.

## City Council Approves Tree Cutting

**Decision will allow country club to go ahead with \$6 million renovation.**

BY BRENDA SIMMS  
THE CONNECTION

Army Navy Country Club (ANCC) will be able to move forward with the tree removal plans for its golf course, after the May 27 Fairfax City Council meeting.

After several months of public hearings, the council voted to approve the special use/special exception application for the club, located at 3315 Old Lee Highway. Army Navy plans a \$6 million renovation to modify areas of the course that are in a resource protection area and floodplain, as well as remove trees.

Council member Gary Rasmussen cast the sole vote against the project. Before the vote, he said, “Clearly the current proposal before us tonight is much, much better than what was originally proposed. ... But, I still

have a great deal of difficulty and am uncomfortable with the amount of tree-cutting that will take place.”

In voting for the request, Council member Patrice Winter agreed with the applicant's assertion that local golf courses are facing a competitive climate. “If they do not succeed, they're a business,” she said. “They will have to sell.”

Citing the statistic that Army Navy's green space is approximately 48 percent of the city's total public open space, Winter said, “I would hate to see townhouses go in there.”

Council member Scott Silverthorne made a point of addressing an allegation made in previous council public hearings. Some residents in opposition to ANCC's tree removal plans said the club was violating an agreement it made in the 1990s to preserve trees in the future. He could not recall voting in the past that the club could not return before the council with further improvements, and city staff confirmed that there was never such a stipulation.

**THE COUNCIL** also introduced a resolution to set aside \$600,000 for the design and engineering of the proposed commu-

nity center.

According to the city manager's report, \$1 million is allowed for this purpose under the agreement with the Sherwood family, who donated \$5 million for the project. City Manager Robert Sisson explained that the city has a preliminary design and contract negotiations are almost complete.

Council member Jeffrey Greenfield asked that the contract take into consideration the possibility that the city cannot agree on the location and decides not to pursue the center. Greenfield wanted to be assured that “we have not spent this entire \$600,000 and can then make up the difference to return the entire gift to the family.”

The next council meeting on June 10 will include a public hearing for the body to decide whether or not to approve the funding.

**ALTHOUGH THE** amounts have been reduced by half, checks were accepted by more than a dozen representatives of city homeowner and civic associations at the council meeting. Mayor Robert Lederer distributed the money from the Community Grant Program on behalf of the council.

During the budget process in March, the

## Grand Larceny Case Arrest

The City of Fairfax Police arrested 23-year-old Manassas resident Jeremy Arthur Trujillo on Wednesday, May 21 and charged him with grand larceny.

On May 13, officers were called into United Storage, located on 3179 Draper Drive in Fairfax, to investigate the theft of a large quantity of movie DVDs belonging to Redbox, a self-service DVD rental kiosk.

According to a police release, surveillance cameras caught Trujillo, of the 7800 block of Apache Ridge Court in Manassas, loading DVDs into his vehicle and leaving the storage lot.

"It's part of a routine investigation to look through surveillance videos," said Sgt. Pam Nevlud of the City of Fairfax Police. "Based on the video, we were able to identify his vehicle and his face."

After an investigation by the Criminal Investigations Division, Trujillo was taken into custody and formally charged with grand larceny. "He was basically helping himself to the DVDs, and thought no one would notice," said Nevlud.

According to the Section 18.2-95 of the Code of Virginia, theft of an item with a value of \$200 dollars or more is considered grand larceny. Punishment for such a crime consists of no less than one year in prison and/or a fine not exceeding \$2,500. "The exact amount of what was taken was not released, but it was a significantly large dollar amount" said Nevlud.

Trujillo was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center, where he currently remains; his bond is set at \$5,000.

— NORA BENZAWI

## Public Hearing Set for Koger Sale

The federal bankruptcy court has set June 17 to hear evidence on Koger Management Group's proposal to sell the troubled real estate management firm to American Management of Virginia, Inc. a business created by two of Koger Management's employees.

Koger submitted an Asset Purchase Agreement to court that "proposed to purchase Debtor's assets for the total sum of \$100,000.00 to pay creditors." The principals of American Management are named as Paultette Heidermann and Ernest Lightfoot, vice president of Koger Management Group, which now operates as Tri-State Management.

"Debtor believes and therefore avers that this offer (or any higher or better offer which may be put forward by any third party) would be the best interest of the estate and maximize the recovery therefrom." The pleading asked the court to approve the sale.

But the proposal seemed unlikely to be well received by Koger's Creditors who have filed nearly \$8 million in claims against the firm.

The Asset Purchase Agreement describes the day-to-day operational materials of the seller, all contracts with customers and the accounts receivable at the closing date. Koger claims it is losing money and that many of its clients have dropped the firm as its notoriety has grown.

But the list of "excluded assets," items "which are not to be acquired by the Purchaser," include interest in 4105 Rust Road, Fairfax Virginia which is the firm's headquarters; any interest in KMG, LLC, which testimony over the bankruptcy was described as having assets. Also excluded was "any insurance policy" which would presumably include the \$1 million policy that Koger had against theft and embezzlement. Continental Casualty Company has denied the claim, asserting that Koger Management misled it about Jeffrey Koger's role in the company, but Koger Management has filed a suit to get the policy paid in full.

This is the latest step in a bankruptcy that was filed nearly a year ago in July 2007. According to evaluations made under a court order last year, some \$2 million was embezzled from Koger Management's clients. Jeffrey Koger, the son of chairman Robert Koger, and chief financial officer has been accused of the diversions.

Jeffery Koger is presently incarcerated awaiting trial on charges of trying to kill a Virginia State Police officer during a shootout with police in February.

— NICHOLAS M. HORROCK

## NEWS



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While some visitors to the Fairfax Pool preferred to play in the water, some preferred to get a tan over the sunny Memorial Day weekend.

# Splash of Summer

Memorial Day weekend marks the opening of many area pools, including the Fairfax Pool on Roberts Road.



Matthew Forrest, 10, stealthily moves around the pool trying to get the advantage during a watergun fight with several friends at the Fairfax Pool.



Fairfax children finally got to enjoy the waters of the Fairfax Pool on Saturday as it opened for the season.



Lifeguard Dillon Johnson keeps a watchful eye over the Fairfax Pool on Saturday afternoon in Fairfax.

# CRIME

Incidents reported by the City of Fairfax police department, May 20 through May 23.

## FRAUD

**3560 Chain Bridge Road / Shell Service Station.** On May 18, at 2:42 p.m., the business owner reported that an unknown female subject had made purchases with a credit card that subsequently was determined to have been stolen.

## LARCENY

**9605 Fairfax Blvd. / Circle Shell Service Station.** On May 21, at 12:25 p.m., the manager reported that sometime between 2 p.m. on May 18 and 8 a.m. on May 19, unknown person(s) had stolen a book of Virginia state inspection stickers from the garage area of the business.

**4000 Jermantown Road / Wendy's Restaurant.** On May 21, at 2:05 p.m., the victim reported that sometime on May 20, between 11 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., unknown person(s) had stolen her purse while she was working at the restaurant and subsequently used a credit card it contained to make unauthorized purchases.

**9506 Main St. / Rite-Aid Pharmacy.** On May 21, at 8:23 p.m., the manager reported that two male subjects had stolen items from the store. Officers subsequently located the pair in the area. Joseph Steven Canody, 21, of 9400 block of Starlit Ponds Drive, Fairfax, was charged with destruction of property, petit larceny and contributing to the delinquency of a minor and was being held at the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center in lieu of \$1,000 bond. A juvenile petition

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PEOPLE

# Getting To Know ...

Jordan Kester, an award-winning artist and Fairfax Baptist Temple student.

Springfield resident Jordan Kester has an eye for art, which he hopes to develop further when he attends the Art Institute of Washington in Rosslyn. He's already received national recognition, earning a third-place trophy in the annual arts competition sponsored by the National Association of Christian Schools.

A student at the Fairfax Baptist Temple Academy, Jordan, 17, took some time away from his schoolwork and art to answer a few questions about himself.

**Number of years in the community.** I've lived in Northern Virginia since 1990, Springfield since 1999. I was born at Fairfax Hospital on Gallows Road.

**Family.** I live with my Dad and Mom, Peter and Sandy Kester. My older brother, Jeremy, is studying environmental science at the University of West Florida, in Pensacola, Fla. We have two dogs — Max, a laid back Pug, and Peanut, a high energy Jack Russell Terrier.

**Education.** I've been attending the Fairfax Baptist Temple Academy for 12 years.

**Your first job.** I delivered the Connection Newspaper at Greenfield Farms on Burke Road back during elementary school. My first real job is currently at the Bagel Bakery on Old Keene Mill Road at Rolling Road. **Activities/interest/hobbies.** I enjoy working with graphics software. I've played soccer for school and county teams. Of course, art is a favorite. I'm getting into video editing using a video camera I got for Christmas. I'm pretty proficient in comput-



This piece of acrylic art, above, by Jordan Kester, right, was recognized at the annual Old Dominion Association of Christian Schools arts competition. Jordan received a third place trophy in April for this work at the National Association of Christian Schools arts competition.

ers, and this year I've been doing a lot of mountain biking with my friend Tim.

**Favorite local restaurants.** I like hanging out at Chipotle, Outback, Bonefish Grill and Joe's Crab Shack.

**Community concerns.** Because of my recent interest in Mountain Biking, the care and maintenance of mountain bike trails is pretty important.

**What career do you think you'll pursue?** Definitely Graphic Design. I am planning to study at the Art Institute of Washington in Rosslyn.

**Personal goals.** I'd like to travel overseas. I'm going to Sweden in June, and studying art and art styles.

**How did you get interested in art?**

Probably the annual school arts competition for Old Dominion Association of Christian Schools (ODACS). My first award was for a black/white photograph. I also entered into competition with sculpture, mixed media and charcoal artwork, besides an acrylic painting in 2008. I've used any medium I can get my hands on. I've done designs on sneakers and khaki pants, pen and ink drawings on most anything, and spend a lot of time experimenting with graphics on the computer. This year, I got to help design the cover of our school yearbook and work on the school newspaper among other projects.

**What has been the biggest influence on your art?** I'm thankful for guidance from my art teacher at FBTA, Mrs. Sue

"Always expanding and changing, usually broad and experimenting, with a lot of abstract ideas."

— Jordan Kester, on his art



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Lewis, and our Computer Lab teacher, Mrs. Deanna Dyck. **How would you describe your artwork?** Always expanding and changing, usually broad and experimenting, with a lot of abstract ideas.

— MICHAEL O'CONNELL

VIEWPOINTS

## What's your favorite summer activity?



"Because I'm taking a full course load of classes at GMU over the summer, I find that I spend the majority of my time daydreaming about being at the beach or some exotic location far away from school."  
**Saren Nilson, Sterling**



"My wife and I go wine tasting in California (Napa Valley) every summer, and we love it. It's great weather, beautiful scenery, nice people and good grapes."  
**Steve Kinder, Warrenton**



"I play volleyball over the summer. There are plenty of sports camps around here, but I mainly focus on volleyball."  
**Danielle Walcott, Fairfax**



"I take art classes that are hosted by my church. I'm not a big fan of the heat, so I find art to be a great way to avoid a sunburn."  
**Tiffany Yu, Herndon**

— NORA BENZAWI

## MILITARY NOTES

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**U.S. Coast Guard Seaman Peter W. Ingeman**, son of Christiane W. Ingeman of Fairfax and William E. Ingeman of Valdosta, Ga., recently graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Recruit Training Center in Cape May, N.J. Ingeman is a 2005 graduate of Robinson Secondary School.

**Air Force 2nd Lt. Kristen E. Saenger** has matriculated into the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USUHS) in Bethesda, Md., as a medical student and a graduate of the Class of 2011. She is the daughter of Philip R. and Arleen M. Saenger of Fairfax Station and graduated in 2003 from W.T. Woodson High School in Fairfax. Saenger received a bachelor's degree in 2007 from Virginia Tech.

## CRIME

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charging larceny is pending against a 16-year-old Fairfax area youth who was released to the custody of a relative.

### 10983 Main St. / Kabob Corner.

On May 22, at 12:18 p.m., the owner reported that sometime between 8 p.m. on May 21 and 10 a.m. on May 22, unknown person(s) had stolen a large quantity of boxed ceramic tiles from the rear of the business.

### 9800 Block of Crescence Way.

On May 22, at 1:27 p.m., the vehicle owner reported that sometime between 9 p.m. on May 21 and 6:30 a.m. on May 22, unknown person(s) had stolen a GPS device from her unlocked parked vehicle.

### 11200 James Swart Circle / Quick Lane Auto Center.

On May 22, at 5:40 p.m., the vehicle owner reported that unknown person(s) had stolen the starter from his vehicle while it was at the business awaiting servicing.

### DISORDERLY CONDUCT

#### 3971 Chain Bridge Road / Auld Shebeen.

On May 22, at 11:44 p.m., officers responding to a report of a fight were told by restaurant employees that a subject who was sitting on the front steps had been ordered out of the establishment for being disorderly. The male subject refused to leave the property and was uncooperative with the officers. Mark Harold McGrath, 28, of 5600 block of Bloomfield Drive, Alexandria, was taken into custody and charged with disorderly conduct and being intoxicated in public. His bond on the disorderly conduct charge was set at \$2,500.

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# OPINION

## Silver Lining, Aptly Named

County should capitalize on rare opportunity to expand permanent affordable housing.

When affordable housing advocates around the county — and around the nation — praised Gerry Connolly and the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors for dedicating one penny of the real estate tax to affordable housing, it was with the expectations of big accomplishments.

The one-penny fund has in fact accomplished a great deal, protecting more than a thousand units of affordable housing. Some people have been disappointed that the fund has not so far added much new affordable housing, with very few eligible families moved off of the long waiting list.

Some supervisors have responded that the fund was intended to preserve the affordable housing stock we currently have, not add to it. But with sizeable resources — more than \$20 million a year — we should expect a steady increase in the supply of long-term affordable

housing.

**NOW COMES** the “silver lining.” It’s an opportunity to use the housing downturn and the increase in foreclosures to purchase more housing units at bargain prices and to assist those on a waiting list to become first time homebuyers.

The county should not make the mistake of defining this effort too narrowly.

With more than \$20 million a year, and a likelihood of two more years of increasing foreclosures, the “silver lining” could help many qualified families waiting to become first-time homebuyers and greatly increase the permanent stock of affordable housing. The one-penny fund can underwrite the purchase of scores — perhaps hundreds — of foreclosed condos and townhouses, turning them over to housing authorities and nonprofits to maintain

as affordable housing permanently.

The language of the current proposals suggests that the county would purchase “up to 10” such homes. We’d rather see the county limit the amount that the one-penny fund spends on salaries and overhead, while it maximizes the number of families and individuals it can move into affordable housing.

This requires housing for families with children and efficiency apartments for individuals who are not homeless. It means buying housing that is in foreclosure and building some housing.

It requires courage and action, which Connolly and the Board of Supervisors have demonstrated. But they must be bold, and make their efforts really count.

As to those who say the county should not be in the business of buying private property, that’s a ridiculous argument. Were we to follow that theory, we would have no parks, no protected open space. And almost no affordable housing.

— MARY KIMM

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## School Board Remarks on Budget

The mantra ‘location, location, location,’ really means ‘schools, schools, schools.’

BY DAN STORCK, CHAIRMAN AND  
PHILLIP NIEDZIELSKI-EICHNER,  
BUDGET CHAIR  
FAIRFAX COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

Montgomery County, and over \$5,000 less per student than Falls Church City.

**OUR STAFF** and the School Board work daily to achieve the best value for the taxpayer. This means that we must sustain a high-performing and highly diverse school system for the least amount of investment. This year, we had made \$33 million in cuts before we submitted

our budget to the Board of Supervisors, including millions saved by delaying a maintenance program for an aging infrastructure.

Federal and state unfunded mandates, and a shortfall in local resources, means that we must make further cuts, not in “frills,” but in basic, ongoing costs. We will spend \$22 million, more than half the increase in school funding from the county, simply to educate the estimated 3,500 additional children who will arrive in our schools this fall. We have done much to reduce demand for commodities to offset increasing costs; buses need fuel, however, and diesel prices are up 70 percent over last year. Fixed costs (such as state pensions) cannot be cut back. Reducing employee compensation below market rates could undermine our long-range ability to attract and retain employees who make excellence possible. It has been difficult to produce a budget that does not require that we “eat our seed corn” by making reductions that will make it more difficult to recover momentum in future years.

A member of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors was recently quoted as saying that whatever amount the county government transfers to the school system, “it is never enough.”

This view belies the financial pressures the School Board faces just to continue to operate an excellent school system that benefits all county residents by attracting and keeping businesses and a workforce that are the foundations of our dynamic economy and high property values.

It is true — as parents, students, and others have told the School Board in testimony, e-mails, and phone calls during the months-long process which led to our final vote on May 22 — that many residents would prefer a school system that spends much more than we do. What parent does not want his or her child in a class of 18 students (the exception), rather than one of 25+ students (the norm)?

But Fairfax County Public Schools has prided itself for decades on its ability to provide an excellent education to a large number of children with widely differing needs at the lowest cost possible. We are nothing if not cost-effective, as any comparison of per-pupil costs with other comparable school systems in the region reveals: nearly \$1,300 less per student than

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# NEWS BRIEFS

## Sweet Charity

Our Daily Bread, a food pantry in the City of Fairfax, will receive a check for \$3,000, the proceeds from the annual Chocolate Lovers Festival.

A check will be presented to Our Daily Bread from the Chocolate Lovers Festival Committee during the Fairfax City Council Meeting on Tuesday, June 10.

Each year, the committee donates a portion of the proceeds from the two-day festival to a charitable organization that benefits the residents of Fairfax. This year's choice is Our Daily Bread, a volunteer-based organization that works to ease the burden on low-income residents in Fairfax through food distribution, emergency financial assistance, mentoring and other programs. Last year, a check for \$2,000 was given to the Women's Center, and in the past, money has been donated to School's Helping Hand Fund, the Northern Virginia Ronald McDonald House, the Lamb Center and the Salvation Army.

For more information on Our Daily Bread, go to [www.our-daily-bread.org](http://www.our-daily-bread.org).

## NVCC Offers Biotech Class

Northern Virginia Community College will start offering an associate's degree in biotechnology.

Students will be able to receive training to work in laboratories, research facilities and as manufacturing technicians, learning basic scientific principals in biology and chemistry and preparing to perform lab tests like DNA analysis, electrophoresis and chromatography. After completing the course, students

could go on to work in forensic science, research and development, quality control and assurance and manufacturing and production.

Students interested in the program can take some biotechnology degree requirement classes offered during the six-week summer session from July 1 to Aug. 11. More information on the programs and the summer courses offered is available at [www.nvcc.edu/manassas/biotech](http://www.nvcc.edu/manassas/biotech) or by calling 703-257-6649.

## Who's Your Daddy?

Every year at this time, the Connection puts out the call for photographs of fathers and their children, grandfathers and their children and grand children.

Father's Day is Sunday, June 15, and once again the Connection will publish a gallery of Father's Day photos.

Send in photos as soon as possible, including names of everyone in the picture, the date the picture was taken, the ages of the children and sentence or two about what is happening and where the photograph was taken. Be sure to include your town name and neighborhood.

Digital photos are preferred, but prints are also accepted. Print submissions must include a self addressed stamped envelope, if they are to be returned. Do not submit photos that cannot be replaced.

Send photos to The Connection, Father's Day Photo Gallery, 7913 Westpark Drive, McLean, VA 22102. Or e-mail them to [photob@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:photob@connectionnewspapers.com).



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## GOING OUT

# Lungs Free, Stomach Full

New guide highlights 100 restaurants that prohibit smoking indoors.

BY AMBER HEALY  
THE CONNECTION



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**BBQ World on Burke Commons Road is one of 100 restaurants in Burke and Springfield that do not allow indoor smoking.**



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## Gadsby's At Night

Lantern-led tours allow visitors to see Gadsby's Tavern by candlelight.

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE  
THE CONNECTION

In the garish light of day, Gadsby's Tavern in Old Town Alexandria could be mistaken for just another old building. Historic, of course, but old and strangely distant from the modern world.

At night, however, the tavern is transformed by candlepower. In the flickering glow of lanterns, the tavern seems alive with shadows from the past. People who work at the tavern say that experiencing the tavern at night in the glow of candlelight is an experience altogether different from touring the museum during the day.

### NIGHTLIFE

"I know this sounds kind of dorky," said Liz Williams, assistant director at Gadsby's Tavern. "But we always say that the building seems happier when it's lit up by candlelight. There's just something about it that's different."

Experiencing Gadsby's Tavern by candlelight has become such a popular experience that annual lantern-led tours have become a fixture of the Old Town scene. That's why the museum will offer lantern-led tours every Friday in June, July and August unless the building has been rented for a special occasion. Even those who have already toured the tavern by day may be surprised at the secrets it yields at night.

"The people who stayed at Gadsby's 200 years ago would have seen it by candlelight," said Amy Bertsch, spokeswoman for the Office of Historic Alexandria. "So this will give

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For families in Burke and Springfield looking to go out for dinner but dreading a smoke-filled restaurant, a new dining guide is designed to make the search much easier.

The Northern Virginia Alliance on Smoking OR Health, along with some help from the Virginia Department of Health, has recently published the Smoke-Free Dining Guide, a list of 100 restaurants in Burke and Springfield that do not allow indoor smoking of any kind.

"We have been putting together these guides every few years," said Lisa Brown, chair of the organization. "We've already published one for Arlington, the Reston-Herndon area and Centreville."

**THIS GUIDE**, the group's fifth, was compiled by Northern Virginia Alliance on Smoking OR Health volunteers who called restaurants to inquire whether any indoor smoking was allowed. If the manager or employee said no, the establishment went on the list, Brown said.

"Northern Virginia has a high percentages of restaurants that are smoke-free," she said. "The state has tried several times to pass a smoking ban on restaurants, but areas of the rest of the state don't see things the way we do."

But the list does not compile the healthier restaurants for the sake of families alone.

"We look at establishments that allow smoking for the sake of the employees," Brown said. "A family can always choose to go somewhere else for dinner, but employ-

ees need to be there, at their jobs, every day."

Brown cited studies that indicate bartenders, dishwashers and other restaurant employees could develop emphysema or lung cancer after working in a smoke-filled environment for long periods of time.

The list will also help people with asthma, who may have trouble breathing in restaurants that allow smoking, she added.

Melissa Bonilla said she changed the policy at her restaurant, Green Olives on Backlick Road in Springfield, once her fam-

ily purchased it five years ago.

"The old owner, he allowed smoking, but as soon as we bought it we got rid of it," she said.

Bonilla said her business has steadily increased since the switch was made.

"If people want to smoke, they can go outside," she said. "Our restaurant doesn't

**"No one has complained of any inconvenience."**

— Negatu Tefera

### CALENDAR

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#### THURSDAY/MAY 29

**Riverdance.** 8 p.m., at the Wolftrap Filene Center, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna, 877-WOLFTRAP. Tickets from \$20 to \$70.

**Folk-Pop Show.** Catie Curtis, Edie Carey perform 7:30 p.m., at Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna. Tickets \$22 in advance, \$25 at the door. 703-255-1566 or [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).

#### FRIDAY/MAY 30

**Bingo.** 7:15 p.m. at Fire Station 3, 4081

University Drive, Fairfax. 703-273-3638.

**Jubeus & Zach Deputy at TT Reynold's,** 10414 Main St., Fairfax. Ages 21 and up. 703-591-9292 and [www.ttreynolds.com](http://www.ttreynolds.com).

**Funkmnkyz, The Common Threat, other guests.** 8 p.m. at Fat Tuesday's, 10673 Braddock Road, Fairfax. 703-385-5717.

**Irish Music.** 7-9:30 p.m. at the Auld Shebeen, 3971 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax. 703-293-9600.

**Live in the Cellar.** 10 p.m.-1:30 a.m. at the Auld Shebeen, 3971 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax. \$5.

**Mohammad Reza Shajarian and Ava Ensemble in Concert.** 8:30 p.m., GMU Center for the Arts Concert Hall, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Tickets \$150, \$95, \$75, \$55. Visit [www.gmu.edu/cfa](http://www.gmu.edu/cfa), or call 888-945-2468.

**Crazy Anglos, Funkmnkyz, The Common**

**Threat, The Breaks.** 8 p.m. at Fat Tuesday's, University Mall, 10673 Braddock Road, Fairfax, 703-385-5717.

**Riverdance.** 8 p.m. at the Wolftrap Filene Center, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna, 877-WOLFTRAP. Tickets from \$20 to \$70.

#### SATURDAY/MAY 31

**Library-Warming Book Sale.** 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at the City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. All ages. Call to register, 703-293-6227.

**Virginia Filipino American Soldiers.** We Fought For Freedom. A conversation with soldiers interviewed for the book "In Our Uncle's Words," published by the Filipino

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## NIGHTLIFE

# Candlelight Tavern

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people a chance to experience the tavern the way Alexandria's early visitors did."

Those who venture to follow the lantern into the darkened tavern will tour two buildings, one that was built in the 1780s and one that was constructed in the 1790s. Although they are from the same period, times had obviously changed for Alexandria after the American victory against the British. People who were staying for the night in the 1780s tavern would have slept in the crowded third-floor "dormier," sharing a bed with strangers. Those who ventured upstairs too late would end up sleeping on the floor.

"Ladies would not have stayed in a dormier," said Williams. "But they would have stayed at the City Hotel. So the contrast between the two buildings lets you see the evolution of hospitality in Alexandria."

The 1790s building on the corner of North



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**A guide at Gadsby's Tavern.**

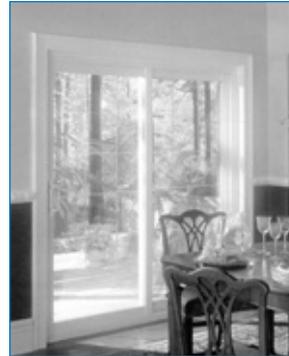
Royal Street and Cameron Street, known for many years as the City Hotel, had the luxury of offering private rooms. One of the highlights of the lantern-led tours will be seeing the room where the mysterious Female Stranger died in 1816, undoubtedly more spooky at night when visitors are likely to get a chill up their spine when they learn about her strangely anonymous male companion.

### Feel the Candlepower

See the 18th century through a whole new light by touring Gadsby's Tavern Museum, an experience that includes both the 1784 tavern and the 1792 City Hotel. The lantern-led tours will be offered Fridays, 7-10 p.m. The tavern is located at 134 North Royal St, Alexandria. For more, call 703-838-4242.

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**Memorial Day Celebration with music,** 4 p.m. at Fat Tuesday's, 10673 Braddock Road, Fairfax. 703-385-5717.

**Guided Walking Tour.** Meet at the Moore House, 7 p.m. 3950 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax. Call 703-385-8414.

**Irish Music.** 7-9:30 p.m. at the Auld Shebeen, 3971 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax. 703-293-9600.

**Celebrating Bernstein and Bolcom Recital.** 8 p.m. at The Barns at Wolf Trap, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna, 877-WOLFTRAP. Tickets \$38.

**Bad Luck and other bands.** 8 p.m. at Fat Tuesday's, University Mall, 10673 Braddock Road, Fairfax, 703-385-5717.

**An Evening with The Nighthawks.** 8 p.m. at Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna. Tickets \$20. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

**Riverdance.** 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. at the Wolftrap Filene Center, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna, 877-WOLFTRAP. Tickets from \$20 to \$70.

## SUNDAY/JUNE 1

**Awaken the Dancer Within.** Born 2 Dance Studio, an international dance school, presents a show featuring adult and youth dance performances, 5:30-8 p.m. at Lanier Middle School, 3801 Jermantown Road, Fairfax.

Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. Visit [www.born2dancestudents.com/events.html](http://www.born2dancestudents.com/events.html) or call 703-242-6090.

**Used Book Sale.** Library-Warming Book Sale, 12-3 p.m., by the Friends of the City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. 703-293-6383.

**American Youth Philharmonic Concert.** 3 p.m., at the GMU Center for the Arts Concert Hall, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. 703-993-8888 or [aporchestras.org](http://aporchestras.org)

**Riverdance.** 2 p.m. at the Wolftrap Filene Center, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna, 877-WOLFTRAP. Tickets from \$20 to \$70.

**An Evening with Dan Bern.** 8 p.m., at Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna. Tickets \$20. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

## MONDAY/JUNE 2

**Keaton Simons, Will Dailey, The War, Josh Hoge.** 7 p.m. at Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna. Tickets \$10. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

**Indie Rock Show.** Jeremy Enigk of Sunny Day Real Estate, Damien Jurado. 8:30 p.m. at Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna. Tickets \$18. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com

**Riverdance.** 8 p.m. at the Wolftrap Filene Center, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna, 877-WOLFTRAP. Tickets from \$20 to \$70.

## WEDNESDAY/JUNE 4

**Old Town Hall Children's Performance Series: Mr. Skip.** 10:30 a.m., 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. 703-352-ARTS or [www.fairfaxarts.org](http://www.fairfaxarts.org).

**Summer Concert Series: Potomac Brass Quintet.** 8 p.m., Veterans Amphitheater, City Hall Annex, 10455 Armstrong St., Fairfax, 703-757-0220 or [www.fairfaxband.org](http://www.fairfaxband.org)

## THURSDAY/JUNE 5

**Chinese Cultural Heritage Night.** An evening of traditional Chinese culture, music and dance. 7:30 p.m. Free. Ossian Hall Park, 7900 Heritage Drive, Annandale. Call 703-324-7469. Visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances).

**Natalia Zukerman, Meg Hutchinson.** 8 p.m. at Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna. Tickets \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. Call 703-255-1566 or visit [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com)

## FRIDAY/JUNE 6

**Bingo.** 7:15 p.m. at Fire Station 3, 4081 University Drive, Fairfax. 703-273-3638.

**Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, Poco.** 8 p.m. at the Wolftrap Filene Center, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. Tickets are \$40/in-house, \$25/lawn. 877-WOLFTRAP.

**Silver Canyon.** 7:30 p.m. Royal Lake Park, 5344 Gainsborough Drive, Fairfax. Free. Call 703-324-7469 or visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances).

**Negative Space and other bands.** 8 p.m. at Fat Tuesday's, University Mall, 10673 Braddock Road, Fairfax, 703-385-5717.

**Classic 60s Rock.** 6 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna. Tickets \$10. 703-255-1566 or [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).

**The Laser Beam Team,** Black Irish, Bo Jankans, T.A.M.U., Thad Reid, Deuce Ya Hynest. 10 p.m. at Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna, 703-

255-1566 or [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com)

## SATURDAY/JUNE 7

**Family Running Festival.** Fit Families 5K Running Festival is at Van Dyck Park, 3730 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. One-mile fun run for kids and 5K run/walk for adults. Prizes, kids' entertainment, vendors, food, music and much more. \$20/5K, \$15/one-mile. Visit [www.smrn.com/fitfamilies.htm](http://www.smrn.com/fitfamilies.htm) or call 703-586-5037.

**moe, Rusted Root.** 6 p.m. at the Filene Center, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna, 877-WOLFTRAP. Tickets are \$32/in-house, \$28/lawn.

**The Ron Holloway Group.** 7 p.m., Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna. Tickets \$17 in advance, \$20 at the door. 703-255-1566 or [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).

**Dreaming of Eden, The Common Threat, Celebrity Gunfight.** 10 p.m. at Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna. Tickets \$10. 703-255-1566 or [www.jamminjava.com](http://www.jamminjava.com).

**A Special Birthday Celebration.** 8 p.m., at Fat Tuesday's, University Mall, 10673 Braddock Road, Fairfax, 703-385-5717.

**Envy Insane, Vitreous.** 8 p.m., TT Reynolds, 10414 Main St., Fairfax. Age 21+ only. [www.ttreynolds.com](http://www.ttreynolds.com).

**Dads' Play Day,** 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Mott Community Center, 12111 Braddock Road, Fairfax. Dads can play basketball with their children, participate in other outdoor activities and enjoy food and refreshments. Mothers and children also welcome. Free. For more information, call 703-278-8605.

**Morning at the Movies** charity event to help fund the monthly melanoma support group by the Life with Cancer organization. This year's

presentation includes a screening of the animated film "Kung Fu Panda" at 9 a.m., with a morning snack bar offering bagels, donuts, coffee and juice available at 8:15 a.m. when the doors open. At the Lee Highway Multiplex, 8223 Lee Hwy., Merrifield. Hosted by the Ashley Fister Cole Foundation, visit [www.ashleyfistercolefoundation.org](http://www.ashleyfistercolefoundation.org) or [www.lifewithcancer.org](http://www.lifewithcancer.org).

**Picnic at the Park.** 12-3 p.m., at Burke Lake Park Shelter B, 7315 Ox Road, Fairfax Station, to raise money for children fighting cancer and their families. Tickets price includes catered picnic lunch and all entertainment — Banjo Man Frank Cassel, Face Painting, Balloon Animals, Soccer and more. Advance tickets \$12 per person, \$15 at the gate. [www.BryceFoundation.org](http://www.BryceFoundation.org), 703-266-0146.

**52nd Annual Spring Rose Show** sponsored by the Arlington Rose Foundation at the Merrifield Garden Center, 12101 Lee Highway, Fairfax. Exhibits on display 1-6 p.m. Free, no reservations required. 703-860-0071.

**Guided Walking Tour.** 7 p.m., Moore House, 3950 Chainbridge Road, Fairfax. 703-385-8414 or [www.fairfaxva.gov/MuseumVC/WalkingTours.asp](http://www.fairfaxva.gov/MuseumVC/WalkingTours.asp).

## SUNDAY/JUNE 8

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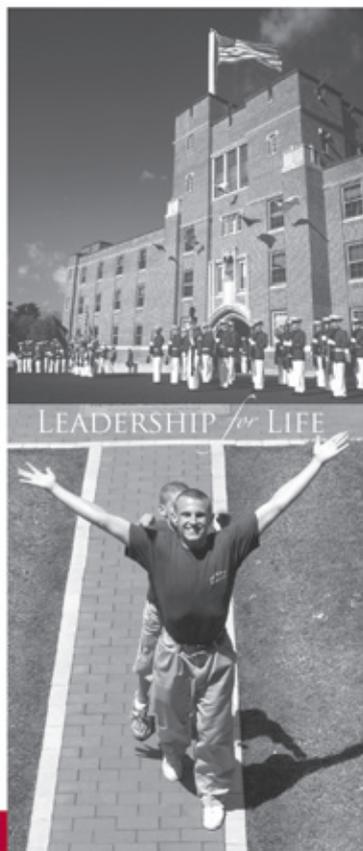
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**The Northern Virginia affiliate of Granville Academy** holds its Annual Recognition & Awards Dinner on Saturday, May 31 at 7 p.m. at the Fairfax Marriott at Fair Oaks in Fairfax. This annual dinner recognizes the students who have completed another year

of a five-year program and honors the many mentors, volunteers, supporters and parents for their dedication and support.

**Hanna Tomhave**, who teaches a K-1 multiage class at Mantua Elementary School, has been named winner of the Virginia Lottery Super Teacher Award for the Alexandria district. Tomhave will receive \$2,000 from the Virginia Lottery and a \$2,000 credit from the Supply Room Companies Inc.

Parent Mary Jo Kavjian nominated Tomhave, praising her for "excellent communication skills, a caring and positive demeanor, and well-thought-out homework packages." The homework packages include materials to suit each

individual student's needs; Tomhave then reviews and provides comments on the work students submit. Kavjian also appreciates the teacher's weekly reports about student learning that include questions for parents to ask their children to augment classroom activities.

Tomhave also created a class Web site for parents and students to use, featuring photos she has taken in class and on field trips. "Ms. Tomhave goes the extra mile again and again," said Kavjian. "She is a wonderful, caring teacher who brings her love of teaching to the class every day."

A Fairfax County Public Schools employee for four years, Tomhave previously taught students in grades 1-8 in a one-room school house in Montana.

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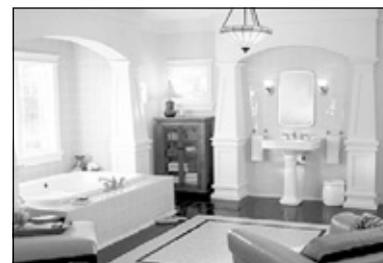
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# Spartans Beat Rams With Walk-off in Seventh



West Springfield sophomore Bobby Wahl pitched a complete game two-hitter against Robinson on Monday afternoon.

## Wahl pitches a complete game, two-hitter to continue Spartans' season.

BY ERIC J. GILMORE  
THE CONNECTION

As the second-string pitcher, West Springfield sophomore Bobby Wahl had thrown brilliantly in several games, notching 12 and 11 strikeouts respectively. But that was against Hayfield and Lee, two lower-level teams and not against top-level competition.

Wahl stepped out of the shadow and into the spotlight with a commanding complete-game, two-hitter to continue the Spartans' season. West Springfield won, 1-0, over Robinson on its home field during the quarterfinals of the 16-team

### BASEBALL

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Northern Region tournament on a beautiful blue-skied Memorial Day.

"Bobby's matured a lot this year," said West Springfield head coach John James. "He's got the stuff where if he's commanding it, he's awfully tough."

While Wahl, who only reached three balls on one Ram hitter and had a career-high 13 strikeouts, was certainly in control throughout, the Spartans continually couldn't close the door, leaving eight batters on base through six innings.

That, however, wasn't the case in the

bottom of the seventh for dramatic West Springfield, who previously had won three games in walk-off fashion, and lost at least two in the same manner.

Senior Patrick Nutbrown, batting in the No. 9 hole, led off the final frame with double to the left field line. All-region centerfielder Jeff Haeuptle beat out a subsequent bunt, leaving runners at the corners with junior Andy Stallings stepping to the plate.

With the infield in, Stallings stabbed a roller past the Robinson second baseman and shortstop to score Nutbrown, and end the game.

"They're a competitive group," James said. "They never say die. They don't go down without a fight."

Stallings had a team-high three hits in four at-bats, while Tucker Tobin and third baseman Ryan Sullivan both went 2-for-3. West Springfield had nine hits, but the combination of Robinson's Austin Freer and Michael Del Buono only relinquish six through the first six innings. The Rams had several defensive gems, turning multiple double plays.

"We felt like if we continued to put pressure on them and continued to put guys on base, at some point we were going to find holes," James said. "And we did, it just happened to be in the bottom of the seventh."

Robinson had a glimmer of an opportunity in the top of the sixth. With no outs,



Senior Patrick Nutbrown celebrates after scoring the game-winning run against Robinson in the Northern Region quarterfinals.

Ram sophomore pinch hitter Rutger Floyd blasted a seemingly surefire double to the right center. According to James, the West Springfield outfield, including Haeuptle, shifted to the right to account for Floyd's lack of power.

Haeuptle pedaled back to the right, while still trailing all the way to the warning track. On a dead sprint, he made nabbed a back-handed catch to get the crucial out. West Springfield got three straight outs in the inning.

"You're not going to see too many better plays in high school than that one," James said. "We had them shifted to right shallow. It didn't surprise me in the sense that he's been making good catches and tracking balls down all year. That really provided a spark for our team."

**WEST SPRINGFIELD** (15-4) edged Langley, 5-2, in the opening round after losing 12-8 in the Patriot District champion-

ship to fellow semifinal participant Lake Braddock.

"Coach James told us that it really doesn't matter about the Patriot District championship, that we really needed to concentrate on the Northern Region championship," said junior all-region pitcher Mike Kent. "We came back and fought hard."

In the Northern Region semifinals Wednesday at South County, Kent faced off with East Carolina commit Pat Somers, Chantilly's hard throwing ace. Kent and Somers are both all-region pitchers. The result was too late for this edition.

Robinson (13-11) ended Yorktown's 17-game winning streak in the opening round with a 5-0 victory to earn the second round home game.

"We love coming back in the seventh inning," Kent said on Monday. "We usually don't get it done in the first couple, but come the seventh, we're ready to go."

# Specialty Bra Shop Closes on Main St.



PHOTO BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE/THE CONNECTION

Dispute over the store's sign may have partially lead to the closing of Dell's Bra Boutique.

**Store served breast cancer survivors, women with special needs.**

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE  
THE CONNECTION

**M**ikal Meyer was surprised to learn Dell's Bra Boutique in the 9800 block of Main St. was closing May 31.

Meyer is a breast cancer survivor and the former board president of the mid-Atlantic chapter of the Breast Cancer Network of Strength. For years, she had been shopping at Dell's because it carries products for women who have had mastectomies.

"I think it is a big loss. There are other places but it certainly won't be as convenient," said Meyer, who lives a few blocks outside the City of Fairfax.

Meyer was pleased with store services, which she called personalized and private.

"They certainly had the best products," she said.

**OPENED** in 1970, Dell's has always catered to women with special needs. Approximately half of the store's clientele are breast cancer survivors and much of the other half are women with large breasts who have difficulty shopping elsewhere, said Jackie Wobser, the store's manager.

"There are a lot more women who wear large-cup

bra sizes than you think. You will rarely find bra sizes that we sell here in any department store," said Wobser, who has worked in the store since 1992.

At Dell's, women work with a certified fitter and the store carries a wider selection of products than most.

Wobser only knows of one other store, Nordstrom's in Tysons Corner, which caters to women who have had mastectomies. Several doctors' offices and breast cancer support groups in the area refer people specifically to Dell's.

"It is a dying art, this kind of store. We bring you things and make sure that they fit you," said Wobser.

**THE STORE MANAGER**

said two factors lead to Dell's demise.

Health insurance companies have started to reimburse for post-mastectomy products at a lower rate over the past few years and Medicare has exclusive contracts with a few larger companies, said Wobser.

"They have made it next to impossible to make a profit. We have a couple [of insurance companies] that pay less than our whole-sale costs for a product," she said.

**"It is a dying art, this kind of store."**

**— Jackie Wobser, Dell's Bra Boutique manager**

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# Bookstore Calls It Quits, Moves On Line

**Burke Used Books closes after many years selling to bibliophiles.**

BY SARA RONKEN  
THE CONNECTION

**A**fter over 20 years of selling secondhand books to the residents of Burke, Burke Used Books has decided to close its doors.

Michael Talley and his family have owned and managed the bookstore since 2000. Due to an increase in rent, they can no longer afford to keep it running.

"It used to be very affordable," said Talley. "It's a little too pricey for us now."

Over the years, Burke Used Books has provided the community with access to thousands of books at a reduced cost. The store sells every kind of book, from romance novels and nonfiction to cookbooks and French dictionaries. Kim Gibson of Burke is sorry to see it go. "These are good books that you can't find anywhere else, and for good prices," she said.

The store has also been able to reach out to the soldiers stationed overseas. They have sent packages of books to provide hours of entertainment. Don Stump is one such recipient. A resident of Burke, he

was stationed in Iraq and has been going to the bookstore for years. He was shocked when he heard the news, as he shopped the store off of Burke Road on Friday, May 16.

"Books influence the soul," he said. "What they've done here is made them come alive." Stump continued to shop and later left the store with several books in hand.

Talley and his coworker, Craig Nyhus, plan on selling the remaining books online. They will join thousands of other booksellers that make their sales over the Internet. Nyhus admitted that although it was hard, the decision to close was the right choice. "The business of selling secondhand books has become revolutionized," he said. By posting the books online, they will be able to reach more customers across the globe.

However, closing is still hard on both the customers and the own-

ers alike.

"I'm bummed," said Talley. "I've always enjoyed being here." When asked what his future plans are, he replied "Getting a normal job, I suppose."

Burke Used Books officially closed on May 28. Book buyers can find their books online at [www.abebooks.com](http://www.abebooks.com).

**Owner Michael Talley stands outside of Burke Used Books, five days before he closed the doors for good.**



PHOTO BY SARA RONKEN/THE CONNECTION



Robinson guidance counselor Kelly White is also a character in the popular children's book 'Foxy's Tale,' written by her father.

# Kelly White's Dog Tale

Children's book chronicles local guidance counselor's dog sledding days.

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE  
THE CONNECTION

To most Robinson Secondary School students, Kelly White was just another middle school guidance counselor until a few months ago. Now, they know better.

Students stumbled upon White's secret identity as a dog-sledding world champion and character in a popular children's book during an interview for the school's newspaper. After reading the article, teacher Jane Terhune also assigned the book about White's experience, called "Foxy's Tale," to some of her English-as-a-second-language students.

"Having ESOL students from China, Korea, Bolivia, Guatemala, Venezuela, etc. read the book, about, in some cases, their own particular guidance counselor, has really brought it to life," said Terhune in an e-mail.

**ED WHITE**, Kelly White's father, co-authored "Foxy's Tale" and published it in 1994. He tells the story of Kelly White's childhood dog sledding career from the perspective of the family pet and champion dog, Foxy.

While attending elementary school and high school in Alaska during the 1980s and early 1990s, Kelly White won multiple junior world dog-sledding championships and placed well at the Arctic Winter Games with Foxy.

She appeared on ESPN three times, including once when the sports network devoted a whole segment to her. Kelly White was also featured in "Sports Illus-

trated For Kids" with her five-dog team before she quit racing in 1992.

"When I was in high school, I got mono and missed the world championship. Then, I kind of lost interest," said Kelly White, who trained four nights per week with her father and the dogs. She had to spend her weekends at events during the sport's season.

After Kelly White quit, her father, who worked for the U.S. Department of Fish and Wildlife, wrote most of the book over the next two years while traveling on planes back and forth from Washington, D.C.

"I did it for Kelly so she could have something to help her remember that time," he said.

"**FOXY'S TALE**" really took off in 1997, when it was selected for a "battle of the books" competition for elementary school students in Alaska.

"Every third and fourth grader in Alaska had to read it," said Kelly White.

Ed White, who self-published the book, now distributes copies to major companies like Barnes & Noble bookstores, Borders bookstores and [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com). He also travels to elementary schools, including several in Fairfax County, to talk about "Foxy's Tale," with students.

Some elementary school students are confused when Kelly White accompanies her father

to their class.

"Third graders always think it is strange that I am grown. It is difficult for them to understand that I am an old person," said Kelly White.

But Terhune's students, who are learning English as eighth-graders, had no problem understanding that Kelly White was 30 years old. She works with some of them who see her every day.

"It was fun to read the book and ask her questions personally," said student Jonathan Veliz, who added that the end of the book, where Foxy reunites with her mother, made him cry.

**"Third graders always think it is strange that I am grown. It is difficult for them to understand that I am an old person."**

— Kelly White, subject of the children's book "Foxy's Tale"



About half of the customers at Dell's Bra Boutique, whose storefront window is shown above, were breast cancer survivors.

## Dell's Closes May 31

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Wobser said she also does not understand why insurance companies are willing to pay the high cost of breast reconstruction surgery but cannot provide more funding for products that help women who opt out of surgery, she said.

Dell's was also without an outdoor sign from about February to April because of a misunderstanding between the store's landlord and the City of Fairfax. The store manager received calls from some customers that tried to come to Dell's from Front Royal and West Virginia but could not find the store and went back home, she said.

"Our sign had been a fixture out there since 1978 and everybody just thought we had closed. When the economy is down, the last thing you need is for your sign not to be on the building," said Wobser.

VanMetre Commercial, the store's property management company, took Dell's sign down before approaching the City of Fairfax for a new sign permit, said David Hudson, the city's director of community development and planning. The property manager was also requesting larger letters for the new sign and needed special clearance from the city's Architectural Review Board, which can take more time, he said.

"Usually it is a contractor [who is putting up the sign] and sometimes a contractor does things that the management company is unaware of, like not getting permits," said Hudson.

According to Hudson, the city told Dell's that the shop could put a temporary banner or its old sign up while waiting for clearance on the new one. Wobser said she also heard this from city officials but, when she approached VanMetre about doing something, the company told her the city would not let them put a banner up.

**A NEW STORE**, Maria's Bridal Design, will be opening in Dell's space at 9858A Main St. on June 16.

"The location is just ideal. We had been looking for the right location for six months. It is very central and very easy to find," said Judson Main, who starting the new business with his wife Maria.

The shop will offer a number of different bridal dress manufacturers, plus custom-made dresses made by Maria Main.

The owner of a bridal shop in Bolivia, Maria Main has over 20 years of experience in the bridal industry, said her husband. He added that the new bridal shop plans to have a fashion show in July.

# Lewis Compton Paine Jr. Dies

Longtime Fairfax resident served in North Africa, Italy in World War II.

**L**ewis Compton Paine Jr., a former Federal Maritime Administration official and longtime resident of Fairfax, died May 1, of congestive heart failure. He was 88 and a resident of Weaverville, N.C.

A World War II U.S. Army captain and combat veteran, he served for three years in North Africa and Italy. He was a member of New York's Seventh Regiment.

**O**BITUARY Born in Charleston, S.C. on June 11, 1919, the son of Lewis and Elizabeth Sinkler Paine, Lewis Paine Jr. moved with his family to Staten Island, N.Y. at age 12, where he would live for 40 years, graduating from Staten Island Academy in 1936.

Following the war, he returned to pursue his career at Isbrandtsen Steamship Company in New York City, eventually becoming president of Amerind Shipping Corporation, a subsidiary of American Export-Isbrandtsen Lines. He had served on the board of the Maritime College of the State University of New York.

In 1971, Lewis Paine Jr. was appointed director of the Office of Market Development for the Federal Maritime Administration and served until his retirement in 1990. In that capacity, he also served as ex-



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**Lewis Compton Paine Jr.**

ecutive secretary of the National Maritime Council, a consortium of government, business, and labor maritime industry organizations. He was closely involved in government negotiations to establish maritime trade agreements with both China and the U.S.S.R. He was a resident of Fairfax, from 1971 until moving to North Carolina in 1993.

For 20 years, Lewis Paine Jr. was secretary of the Republican Party of Richmond County (Staten Island, N.Y.), where he also served on the vestry of Christ Episcopal Church, and numerous boards, including the Staten Island Mental Health Society, Staten Island Hospital and The Salvation Army of Staten Island.

He was preceded in death in 2000 by his wife of 53 years, the former Anne Westall of Asheville, N.C., and is survived by his sister Suzanne Stein of Palm Springs, Calif., and his five children, Linda Paine of Norwalk, Conn.; James Paine of Superior, Colo.; Lewis C. Paine III of Eden Prairie, Minn.; Thomas Paine of Weaverville, N.C.; and Robert Paine of Fairfax and four grandchildren. His funeral and committal took place on May 10, at Grace Episcopal Church of Asheville, N.C., where he had been a member. Contributions can be made to Grace Episcopal Church, 871 Merrimon Ave., Asheville, NC 28804.

FAITH NOTES

Faith Notes are for announcements and events in the faith community. Send to south@connectionnews.com or call 703-917-6440. Deadline is Friday.

**Shabba-Be-Que at Adat Reyim**, 6500 Westbury Oaks Court, Springfield, 6:30 p.m. at **Friday, May 30**. Fun, food, song, and prayer. Cost is \$15 per adult, \$10 per child (5-16 years) or \$36 maximum per family. Children under 5 are free. RSVP to membership@adatreyim.org, and for more information call the office at 703-569-7577.

**Fairfax Presbyterian Church's** summer worship schedule, with one service of worship at 9:30 a.m., has begun. Glebe Sunday is set for **June 1**, with a casual, outdoor service at 9:30 a.m. Bring lawn chairs, blankets, parasols and fans. A picnic lunch will follow in Fellowship Hall. The church is located at 10723 Main St., Fairfax. Call 703-273-5300 or visit www.fairfaxpresby.com.

**Jubilee Christian Center offers a Healing Service** on Sunday, June 1, at 6 p.m. Rev. Peter Joudry of Bristow, Va. will speak. Joudry, the director of Battlefield Ministries, is on the staff of Manassas Assembly of God Church, and has pastored in Nova Scotia, Canada and Florida. Jubilee Christian Center is at 4650 Shirley Gate Road, Fairfax. Call 703-383-1170 or visit www.jccag.org.

**Marriage Matters:** A night of fellowship with other couples, **Saturday, May 31**, 7 p.m. at **Messiah United Methodist Church**, 6215 Rolling Road, Springfield. Bring a dessert to share. A short program will be offered on "Mastering Money in the Marriage."

Free child care is available, pre-registration required. Contact Robin Ringle at 703-569-9862, ext. 210 or e-mail rringler@messiahumc.org.

**Sundays at Truro** concert series presents a benefit concert for Walter Reed's Fisher House Foundation for wounded service members. Truro's own **Juanita DeShazor** will be performing a program of Jazz, Pop and Gospel music. Gift cards of \$25 or less will be accepted at the door and donated to Fisher House. Reception to follow. **Sunday, June 1**, 4 p.m. at Truro Church, 10520 Main St., Fairfax. Call 703-273-1300 or visit www.trurochurch.org.

**White Elephant Sale at St. Mary of Sorrows**, 5222 Sideburn Road, Fairfax. All proceeds go to the church. Preview sale with \$5 admission **Thursday, June 5**, 5-8 p.m. Sale continues with free admission **Friday, June 6**, 12-8 p.m.; **Saturday, June 7**, 8 a.m.-8 p.m. and **Sunday, June 8**, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Call 703-323-0345.

The Rev. Abigail Evans, Ph.D., L.H.D., professor of practical theology and author will be the keynote speaker at **Interfaith Summit 2008**, a day of ideas and resources for building older adult ministries in Fairfax County and surrounding areas. This inaugural event will be held at George Mason University Student Union II on **Wednesday, June 11**, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. No cost to guests, but participants are requested to register in advance. Registration includes continental breakfast, box lunch, and complimentary parking. Register by June 4 at www.carefaxlhc.org or 1-877-926-8300. For more, call 703-246-2411.

# Jail Time

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better." Fairfax County Police found a grow operation in Phalan's home, along with 38 ounces of marijuana and \$13,833 in cash, said Swart. Phalan has had a past arrest as a juvenile and a misdemeanor conviction as an adult for similar types of charges, Swart said.

Swart, who recommended that Phalan serve time in prison, described him as someone "capable of doing really good things," if he put the effort he put into his grow operation into positive endeavors. "It's not like he was duped into anything," she said.

Kissiah said her client is "deeply ashamed" and "extremely embarrassed."

Phalan wrote about the support that his friends and family continue to give him, Kissiah said. "Seeing how much they are doing for me despite my selfish actions gives me hope for the future," Phalan wrote.

"That's someone who gets it ... who is ready to move on," Kissiah said.

"I just want to take this opportunity to say that I'm sorry," Phalan said in court.

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POLITICS

# Connolly, Byrne Address Democrats

Primary election scheduled for June 10.

**F**ormer U.S. Rep. Leslie Byrne and Fairfax County Chairman Gerry Connolly touted their credentials to a little over 100 members of the Fairfax County Democratic Committee May 27.

Byrne and Connolly are two of the four candidates campaigning to be the Democratic Party pick for Virginia's 11<sup>th</sup> District seat in Congress. Lori Alexander and Doug Denny, the two other candidates, did not attend.

Voters can participate in the Democratic primary June 10. Whoever wins the primary will face Republican Keith Fimian in the November general election.

**DURING HER REMARKS**, Byrne championed her accomplishments as a member of the General Assembly.

Byrne was the only legislator to get a bill requiring truck covers through the General Assembly in 20 years. She also got tax breaks for senior citizens passed.

**"In 14 days, you get to decide who can speak for you. Stop pay to play and let me be your voice in the 11th."**

— Leslie Byrne

The former congresswoman emphasized her early opposition to the Iraq war. She spoke out against it in January 2003 when it was less popular to be critical, according to Byrne.

The candidate said these actions speak to what kind of elected official she has been and would be.

"In 14 days, you get to decide who can speak for you. Stop pay to play and let me be your voice in the 11<sup>th</sup>," said Byrne.

**CONNOLLY** focused on his successes

as chair of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors during his speech.

"I have given you the most progressive county government in history," said the elected official. The Fairfax government had banned work place discrimination based sexual orientation and preserved more than 2,000 units of affordable housing while he was in office, he said.

The chairman also took some credit for the Democrats rise to power in Fairfax County. He noted that his election as Providence District supervisor 14 years ago split the county board evenly with five Democrats and five Republicans. This year, the board has eight Democrats and two Republicans.

"I have never lost an election and I have had coat tails," said Connolly.

He also added that he had raised thousands of dollars for the county Democratic committee. Connolly said he went out and raised \$10,000 quickly one year when the committee had no money to send out a joint campaign brochure for the election.

**BOTH** candidates have supporters. Burke residents Paula and Ron Seward said they intended to vote for Connolly, in part because of the candidate's 10 years of experience working for the Senate foreign relations committee on Capitol Hill. Oakton resident Mary Ann Hovis said she had been impressed that Byrne had come out against the war so early and that she won Sen. Jim Webb's endorsement.

Most members of the county committee said they intended to support whoever emerged as the nominee from the primary.

"Just like we would support Hillary if she won, even though we are supporting Barack Obama right now," said Ron Seward.

Some committees said they had hoped the Democratic candidates would be more reserved about attacking each other.

"I kind of wish they would tone it down a little. I always wish they wouldn't [attack each other]," said Hovis

But many said they were excited to have so many well-qualified candidates in the primary.

"It wasn't too long ago when we couldn't have raised this number of quality candidates at one time," said Hovis.

AROUND TOWN

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**The Fairfax County Sheriff's Office will photograph and fingerprint children for free** at several upcoming events: Saturday, June 7, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and Sunday, June 8, 12-4 p.m. at Celebrate Fairfax at the Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center

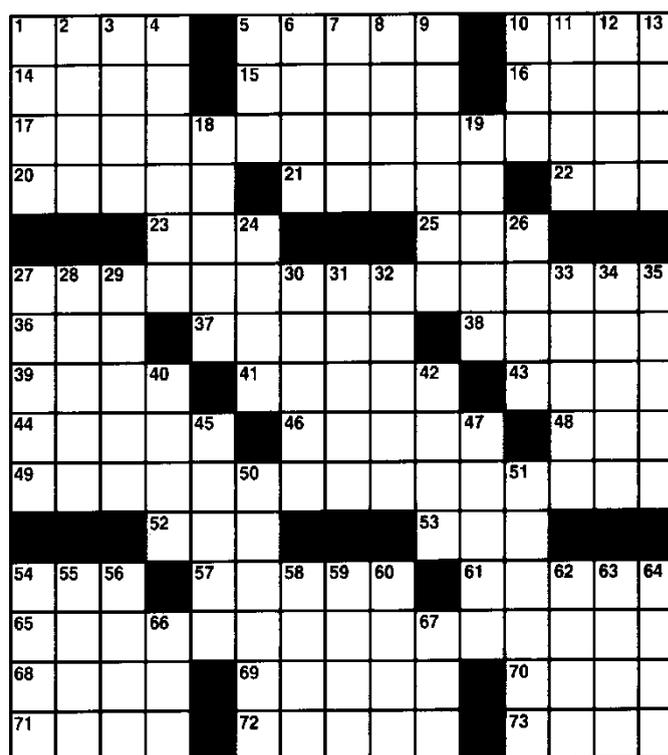
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**ACROSS**

- 1 Center of an old-fashioned roast
- 5 Old Jewish scholars
- 10 Kid
- 14 Fully fit
- 15 Coin being replaced by the euro
- 16 Got down
- 17 What boxer #1 did
- 20 Got up
- 21 More wily
- 22 Political grp. since 1854
- 23 Umbrella part
- 25 Launch of 1986
- 27 What boxer #2 was
- 36 Slice of history
- 37 "— so right!"
- 38 "Li'l" guy
- 39 Othello's betrayer
- 41 Dishonest sort
- 43 Actor Morales
- 44 Bloodhound's guide
- 46 "A Garden of Earthly Delights" author
- 48 Pipe joint

- 49 What boxer #2 then had to do
- 52 Late Cabinet Secretary Brown
- 53 White House souvenir
- 54 Draft org.
- 57 Schiller's "— Joy"
- 61 Swindler's name, possibly
- 65 What the boxers and fans now do
- 68 "What a shame!"
- 69 Certain fur
- 70 Say — (deny)
- 71 "— No Angels" (Bogart flick)
- 72 Studio stock
- 73 "Go ahead!"

- 10 Boxer's move
- 11 Designer Cassini
- 12 Forage holder
- 13 Start of a Web site address
- 18 Uplift
- 19 Writer Jong
- 24 Ringside responses
- 26 Boxer's wear
- 27 Franklin, religiously
- 28 Spinachlike plant
- 29 It's made at fights
- 30 Like some sentences

- 31 Trick's alternative
- 32 Moor
- 33 Remove stitches from
- 34 Football Hall-of-Famer Greasy —
- 35 Bird's sound
- 40 — about (near)
- 42 Hoard
- 45 — a kind (pair)
- 47 Recipe direction
- 50 Protected from the elements
- 51 Back from flying
- 54 "Pygmalion" dramatist
- 55 Only
- 56 Practice in the ring
- 58 Art Deco name
- 59 London's — Gallery
- 60 Hurler Hershiser
- 62 Classic Langston Hughes poem
- 63 Play opener
- 64 Whisky amount
- 66 Opp. of WNW
- 67 E.M.T. destinations

**DOWN**

- 1 Scroogeisms
- 2 Life preserver?
- 3 Kind of flute
- 4 Like some Christians
- 5 Union in a 1955 merger
- 6 Ringling —
- 7 Wail
- 8 Hostile to
- 9 Machination

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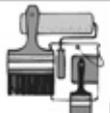
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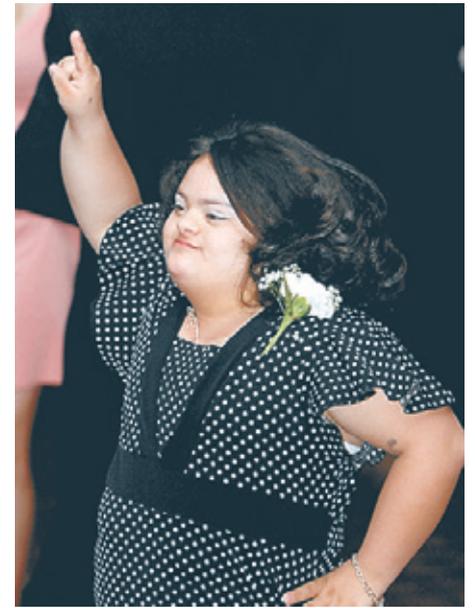
Verlee Bolton, a teacher at Herndon High School, dances with Zaid Raouf during the annual Day Prom.



County students strut their stuff on the dance floor while attending the annual Day Prom on May 20 at the Waterford at Fair Oaks.



Brisilda Kolbra, a student at Fairfax High School, shows off her dance steps while attending the Day Prom in Fairfax on May 20.



Enjoying herself on the dance floor during the annual Day Prom is Amal Saleh, a student at Fairfax High School.

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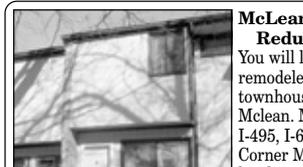
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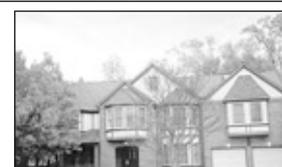
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