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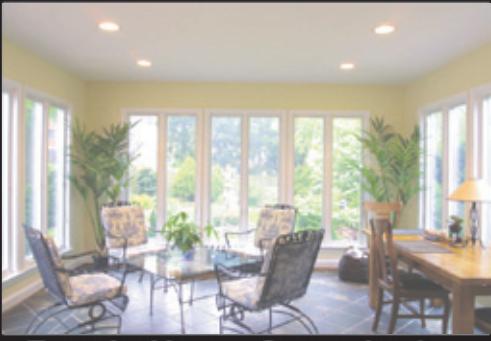
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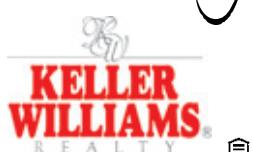
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## WEEK IN RESTON

### Police Investigate Reston Robbery

A Maryland man was robbed at gunpoint around 9:45 p.m. on Friday, May 23. The victim, 47, exited his vehicle and was walking with a friend in the 11700 block of Stratford House Place when the suspect pointed a gun at him and demanded the victim's wallet. The victim handed an undisclosed amount of money and the suspect then walked away. There were no injuries.

The suspect was described as white, 16 to 18 years old, about 5 feet 10 inches tall and weighing 170 pounds. He wore baggy jeans, a dark, multicolored, hooded jacket and a dark baseball cap. Anyone with information is asked to contact Crime Solvers by phone 1-866-411-TIPS/8477, e-mail at [www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org](http://www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org) or text "TIP187" plus the message CRIMES/274637 or call Fairfax County Police at 703-691-2131.

### Nearby Robberies Moments Apart

Police officers from the Reston District Station responded to two armed robberies in Herndon, minutes apart from one another, in the 2500 blocks of John Eppes Road and William Short Circle. The robberies took place on Friday, May 23, around 2:30 a.m.

During the John Eppes Road robbery, a 25-year-old Herndon man was approached after he parked his car and started walking toward his apartment. He relinquished an undisclosed amount of money after a man pointed a gun at him and demanded money.

Several minutes later, a man approached a parked car on William Short Circle occupied by a 27-year-old Herndon woman and a 25-year-old man. The man who approached the car tapped on the window, but the woman and the man in the car did not acknowledge him. The man outside the car then opened a car door and pointed a gun at the car's occupants, demanding money from them. They did not comply and the armed man fled.

No injuries were reported in either case and the suspect in both robberies was described as white or Hispanic, about 25 years old. He was

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# NEWS

## Joy of The Prom

Students and teachers from several Fairfax County schools enjoy the annual Day Prom at the Waterford at Fair Oaks in Fairfax on May 20. The Day Prom is held for special education students so that they learn several skills and attend the proms at their schools. Participating schools were South Lakes High School, Herndon High School, Centreville High School, Westfield High School, Oakton High School, Fairfax High School and the Kilmer Center.



South Lakes senior Alexandra Stransky shows off her dance steps.



Galvin Morris, a teacher at South Lakes High School, dances with student Tracy Bixby during the annual Day Prom.

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## Ultimate Sacrifice for Freedom

### American Legion Post 184 commemorates Memorial Day.

BY MIRZA KURSPAHIC  
THE CONNECTION

R eston residents Justin Carlitti, Jr., 11, and his 7-year-old brother Chas, stood firm in their Boy Scout uniforms while saluting the American flag as the Herndon High School Junior Naval ROTC posted the colors. Their father, Justin Carlitti, wearing a matching uniform, corrected Chas's salute as the Memorial Day Observance at Chestnut Grove Cemetery in Herndon began on Monday morning.

"We've been coming here for years," said Carlitti, a Reservist Marine colonel. His father, also a Marine, served in Korea. "It's important for these guys that they understand the importance of this day," he said, pointing to his two sons, as they joined close to 100 people in observing Memorial Day at Chestnut Grove Cemetery on Monday, May 26.

"What do you say to someone who's made the ultimate sacrifice," said Dave Kirby, commander of the

**"Americans must remember that freedom isn't free."**

— Dave Kirby,  
American Legion  
Post 184  
Commander

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## As Ridership Grows: How To Improve Bus Service

### Input sought in county's transit development study.

BY MIRZA KURSPAHIC  
THE CONNECTION

Rising gas prices probably have something to do with it, but Fairfax Connector buses have witnessed an encouraging trend in recent days. In the past month, the county's bus service has

seen two ridership record-breaking days since the service began in 1985.

"Gas prices seem to be an obvious motivator," said Rollo Axton, the Transit Services Division chief at Fairfax County's Department of Transportation, about the increased ridership. He said it is more than rising gas prices that are encouraging people to change their mode of transportation. "I'd like to think it's the quality of our service," said Axton.

On April 30, the Fairfax Connector bus service recorded 32,246 passenger trips, the highest number of trips since the service was initiated. Axton contributed some of that

### More

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day's ridership to the service's Code Red promotion kick off, which secured a free ride for the passengers. However, on May 13 the service broke the record again, counting 37,375 trips, this time without promotion.

"A lot of people think of transit as only rail," said Fairfax County Supervisor

Catherine Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill). She said regional efforts are under way to encourage more people to use the transit system. For every car taken off the road, said Hudgins, the trip experience is improved for everyone on the road — car drivers and transit users.

In order to improve its bus services, Fairfax County initiated a study in January and hired a team of consultant firms to conduct analysis, planning, surveys and public outreach. The Transit Development Plan (TDP) study will evaluate existing and proposed

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about 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighed 130 to 150 pounds and he wore a red, hooded sweatshirt and a dark baseball cap. In the second robbery he wore a black mask.

"There is no indication that this is an emerging trend, it appears to be an isolated incident," said First Lieutenant Andy Hill, the assistant commander of the Fairfax County Police Department's Reston District Station. Hill said the area where the crimes occurred does not see a high rate of calls for service from the station. While the robberies are under investigation, Hill said it appears that one person was responsible for committing both crimes.

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— MIRZA KURSPAHIĆ

## Indecent Exposure in Reston

A man exposed himself to a 37-year-old Reston woman as she was walking on Olde Crafts Drive near South Lakes Drive around 5:30 a.m. on Sunday, May 25. He rode his bicycle close to her and offered to carry her bag. She declined and continued walking to a bus stop. He followed her, parked across the street, exposed himself and started masturbating. The victim called the police and the man fled.

He was described as Hispanic, between 20 and 25 years old, approximately 5 feet 3 inches tall and weighing between 130 and 150 pounds. He wore a blue and white striped shirt and faded blue jeans. Anyone with information is asked to contact Crime Solvers by phone 1-866-411-TIPS/8477, e-mail at [www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org](http://www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org) or text "TIP187" plus the message CRIMES/274637 or call Fairfax County Police at 703-691-2131.

## RA Pool, Tennis Passes On-line

Reston Association is encouraging members to not wait in line, but to buy on-line, their pool and tennis passes for the 2008 season. Passes can be purchased by visiting [www.reston.org](http://www.reston.org) and clicking on the "Shopping and Assessments" link to the left of the homepage. Everyone ages 1 and up visiting Reston's pools and tennis courts needs to have a 2008 RA Pool and Tennis Pass. Passes can also be purchased in person at the Reston Association main office, 1930 Isaac Newton Square, in Reston. Call 703-435-6530 for more information or visit [www.reston.org](http://www.reston.org).

## Candidates for Blackwell's Spot

Reston Association President Robin Smyers announced that three candidates have stepped forward as candidates to replace Jennifer Blackwell, an at-large director who stepped down from the board in April. Blackwell had served as the board's president before her resignation, which came as she moved to take a job in Michigan.

John Bowman, Arthur Hill and Paul Thomas are seeking to replace Blackwell for a term that ends in April 2009. According to RA President Robin Smyers, the RA board has established a special committee of the board that will interview the three candidates on June 9. The committee will then make its recommendation to the full board at the June 26 meeting. Directors Smyers, Mark Watts, Kathleen Driscoll-McKee, Beamer and Frank Lynch comprise the committee.

## Public Art Forum Planned

The Initiative for Public Art — Reston (IPAR) will hold a public forum on public art on Thursday, May 29 from 7 to 10 p.m. at Reston Community Center's CenterStage, 2310 Colts Neck Road. A reception will be held at 6:30 p.m. The "Imagine Art Here" forum seeks to stimulate community-wide discussion about the role that public art can play in urban community life. It is the first public event associated with the Master Plan for Public Art that IPAR is developing. Guest speakers will include Angela Adams — public art administrator, Arlington County Cultural Affairs — artist Larry Kirkland and urban design experts Todd Bressi and Meridith McKinley.

# NEWS

## Honoring Those Who Spoke Up

### Seahawks host Community Appreciation Night after recent boundary hearings.

BY LEAH KIEFF  
THE CONNECTION

**M**embers of the South Lakes High School Community gathered in the school's gym on Tuesday, May 20 to celebrate the hard work of the parents, students and faculty who supported South Lakes during the recent boundary process.

The event had several South Lakes students performing dance routines, as well as singing by the Select Men's Ensemble.

They recognized the parents and students that spoke at the recent boundary hearings. The South Lakes leadership class was also honored for their involvement. Leadership teacher and South Lakes graduate, Lindsay Trout, said of her students at the hearings, "They displayed the most class and dignity of any group involved." Speaking about the hearings themselves, Trout continued, "I was shocked with the intensity of the negativity and the falsities; the perceptions people had, based on zero truth, of some of the parties involved."

Senior Leadership student Sierra Little felt it was important to attend the meetings and have the students' voices heard. "I came here my sophomore year and when I first came here I called this my family. I live in Loudoun County and pay to go here ... I wouldn't want to go anywhere else. It's just like someone bad mouthing my mother," said Little.

The students were shocked at what they witnessed at the meetings. "We'd expect for adults to be more mature, they were attacking us," said Senior Leadership member Fatima Ellitinanay. "It was like a big jungle, there were parents stomping, shouting; they knew we were there and they were still acting that way," said Junior Leadership student Roya Zaka.

From the experience, Little learned, "To look at things in a bigger picture, for us to be able to be able to represent not just us or South Lakes or Reston, but to stand up for equal education, to stand up and



PHOTOS BY LEAH KIEFF/THE CONNECTION

**Parents who spoke at the school boundary hearings were thanked by Bruce Butler, principal, and Elizabeth Vandenburg, the PTSA president.**

make others question their opinion."

Next year there will be approximately 130 new students who will attend South Lakes as a result of the boundary change. "Increasing our student population will allow us to develop and implement some programs we haven't had in the past. It will also allow us to have fewer combined level sections," said Principal Bruce Butler. Of the experience, Butler said, "It helped pull the greater school community together, when kids go to bat for their school like that, it's really special." Speaking about the hearings, Butler continued, "Change is always difficult especially when it relates to our kids, I never saw it as sides, it's a process."



**The South Lakes Select Men's Ensemble, or SMAC, performed several times throughout the evening. Their combinations of songs and sounds were applauded by the audience.**



**Leadership student Sierra Little, a senior, signs a banner honoring South Lakes. Little attended the boundary meetings.**

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# County Approves Reston Spectrum Plan

No timeline on when redevelopment might occur.

BY NICHOLAS M. HORROCK  
THE CONNECTION

The Fairfax County Planning Commission last Wednesday, May 21, approved a "conceptual plan" to allow the Lerner Company to replace the Spectrum shopping center in Reston with a 10-building complex of residential and office buildings and perhaps a hotel.

"The approval of this plan at this point in time does not result in an immediate redevelopment of this property,"

— Mark Looney, representing Lerner Properties

ment of this property," said Mark Looney, an attorney with Cooley, Godward and Kronish, which represents Lerner. He said that several tenants had vacated the property and Lerner wanted a plan in place if more tenants chose to leave and "the market" appeared favorable to redevelopment. "All we're trying to do is have a plan in place that they can execute if the opportunity presents itself," Looney said.

He did not suggest the number of years that might pass before this construction was undertaken.

Arthur Hill of the Reston Planning and Zoning Committee, which also gave the plan "conceptual approval," said it might be a decade or more before it was completed.

Both the county and Reston planning groups want a detailed second

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**Under the conceptual plan, Harris Teeter would expand into space currently occupied by Office Depot when Reston Spectrum is redeveloped. A 10-building mixed use development would replace most of the buildings that currently stand between New Dominion Parkway and Baron Cameron Avenue and Reston Parkway and Fountain Drive.**

## Residents Asked for Ideas To Improve Bus Service

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bus routes and residential and commercial developments, as well as coordinate different bus services to improve the user's trip. "It is the first time since the inception of the Connector that a study of this magnitude has been done," said Axton.

"IT IS VERY important to people in Reston," said Hudgins of the study. She said Reston is a growing community that needs to evaluate its transit needs. "It's very important for people to know what service is available to them," said Hudgins. "Many times employees and residents are not aware" of opportunities to go about their business without getting

**"Gas prices seem to be an obvious motivator."**

— Rollo Axton,  
Transit Services Division Chief at  
Fairfax County's Department of  
Transportation

into a car. Hudgins said it is not only the Fairfax Connector buses that are seeing an increase in ridership, but also other services across the Washington, D.C., region.

While gas prices, along with rising environmental concerns, may be causing more transit trips, Hudgins



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**The 505 bus departs from Wiehle Avenue to West Falls Church metro station on Monday morning, May 26.**

said the service has to be ready to capture the new riders and provide accessible and convenient trips. "There should be a transparent trip for people," said Hudgins. She noted the success of the 505 midday service from Reston to the West Falls Church metro station, which has seen increasing numbers of trips. The 505 service, she said, is very frequent and gives people an alternative in the middle of the day to get to the metro in a quick and convenient manner and access downtown Washington or other areas in the region. "When they [riders] come in, we need to be able to make the trip a good experience," said Hudgins.

**AS PART OF THE STUDY**, on-board surveys are conducted to find out why people are using the system and telephone surveys are finding out why people are not using the system and what might persuade them to use it. The surveys are also taking into account demographics and socio-econom-

ics of the riders and non-riders. The TDP will also consider other completed transportation studies, including those conducted for the High Occupancy Toll (HOT) lanes on the Capital Beltway, the Dulles Rail extension and the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC), said Axton at the Reston Association (RA) board meeting on May 22.

"We are prioritizing bus service to where there is ridership," said Lora Byala, project manager with ATCS, an engineering and planning firm and a consultant on the project. "We hope to move as many people as possible as quickly as possible," said Byala. The study will also evaluate park-and-ride lots, which ones to expand and where to build new ones.

Robin Smyers, RA president, brought up a concern that the study should not stop at the Fairfax County borderline, as communities such as Reston are also impacted by traffic from Loudoun County. Byala said neighboring jurisdictions are contributing to the study. She added that while the transit system was first established with a view that everyone in the suburbs worked in Washington, the TDP study is considering the fact that other employment centers have developed since then. "It's not just D.C., which is how things were done long ago," said Byala. She added that the study would also consider non-work trips and a possibility of using smaller buses, shuttles rather than 40-foot buses, for some neighborhoods.

"People don't work traditional hours any more," said Hudgins. Some people go to work between 6 and 9 in the morning, but

others do not leave until 10 or later. Trips for shopping, recreation and other activities also need to be considered, she said.

**BICYCLE COMMUTER** Larry Butler, RA's Parks and Recreation director, asked whether the study is taking into account bicycle options, as some people may choose to get to the bus and from the bus without cars. With the price of gas on the rise, he said, he assumed more people are going to consider the bicycle alternative to get to transit. Byala said the surveys are asking the users how they get to the bus and the responders have a bicycle option.

Reston resident John Bowman asked whether the Reston Metrorail Access Group (RMAG) study on accessibility issues for Reston's two planned metro stations would be incorporated into the TDP study. Randall White, Fairfax County Transit Services coordinator, said the RMAG study would be looked into for information.

The TDP study is in the stage of gathering public input through the end of the school year on possible bus routes and other ways to improve the service. It is targeting the April 2009 time frame to come back to the community with public meetings on possible solutions to improve the service. Six of the eight scheduled public meetings have been held, including a May 14 meeting in Reston. The remaining two will be held at the Springfield Government Center on June 3 and the Mason District Government Center on June 4.

"It's an exciting time for buses in Fairfax County," said Axton.

To submit comments or questions about the study, call 703-324-1500 or visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fcdot/tdp.htm](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fcdot/tdp.htm).

## SCHOOLS

# Kassa Is College Access Scholar

The fourth-annual College Access Fairfax Scholars' awards reception was held last Wednesday, May 21 at Annandale High School. Eden Kassa of Reston was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to help with expenses at Juniata College in Pennsylvania.

Upheaval in the life of a young child is sometimes difficult to overcome, but Eden has overcome upheaval more than once in her young life. At the age of 11, while living in Ethiopia, she was thrust into the role of mother to her 6-year-old brother. Instead of enjoying her childhood, she took on the adult activities of cooking, laundry and

managing a household. And four years later, her life changed again when she was forced to flee Ethiopia with her brother for their own safety. An ESOL student, Eden has excelled academically. But her teachers and counselors at South Lakes talk about her work with others. She is part of ECDC, a UN refugee program which helps newcomers from throughout the world learn about their new home. She was elected President of SLICE — the South Lakes International Club for Education/Entertainment, the largest student club at her school. She is also active in

DECA, Liberty Promise and the National Honor Society. Eden's goal in life is to become a general surgeon and will start on that road majoring in biology at Juniata College in Pennsylvania.

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# RCO Concert: 'It's All About Youth'



**Justin Zhou enjoys the compliments of RCO Maestro Fleary.**

## Reston Community Orchestra ends 20th season on high note.

BY LEAH KIEFF  
THE CONNECTION

The Reston Community Orchestra brought its 20th season to a close this Sunday, May 25 at 4 p.m. at the Reston Community Center at Hunter Woods. In a free family concert, "All About the Youth," several South Lakes students contributed to the concert which was underwritten by orchestra violinist Joseph Inbar in memory of his wife and a close friend.

More people than were expected came to listen to the annual spring youth concert. During the concert, children in the audience were encouraged to come and sit in the front by the orchestra. "The Reston Community Orchestra has a huge mission of education, not just performance but also teaching. We are a community organization, so we must help the community learn about the fine arts, specifically music," said Michael McKee, president of the Reston Community Orchestra.

The majority of the orchestra members

are from the Reston area. "It is a community orchestra, to be able to have amateurs come together to make music of this quality is important for the community," said Dingwall Fleary, the music director and principal conductor for the last 11 years. Each year the orchestra begins the season in November performing at several local assisted living facilities, but it mainly offers free concerts at the RCC, with the exception of one benefit concert per year.

Several South Lakes students played special roles in the concert. Kathryn Tiller, a senior, conducted a piece composed by fellow senior, Evan Morris, "Sinfonietta: No. 1 in A Minor," which was met with a standing ovation. Another senior Jenna Brightwell conducted "The Star Spangled Banner." Alexander Pettingell who has been playing with the orchestra since 2007, performed a cello solo.

Pettingell got involved with the Reston Community Orchestra because he "thought it would be an interesting opportunity to play music you can't play in a high school orchestra. I just thought it would be fun and it has been," said Pettingell.

"I think it's remarkable that we have young people right here in our neighborhood who are so intelligent and talented in this kind of music. It's a joy for me as a former teacher to see this kind of talent," said Fleary.



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**Cello soloist Alexander Pettigell is congratulated by Maestro Fleary.**

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Members of the Herndon High School Junior Naval ROTC present the colors at Monday's Memorial Day Service.

## Observing Memorial Day

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Wayne M. Kidwell American Legion Post 184, serving the Herndon and Reston communities. "Thank you is a start, but it seems woefully insufficient," he said.

Kirby encouraged the residents gathered at the commemoration to remember not only the servicemen and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice, but also their loved ones. "We need to be there for them, not just as members of the American Legion, but as American citizens," said Kirby. "Americans must remember that freedom isn't free," he said, and that freedom is only possible because of the soldiers' sacrifice.

**THE COST OF** preserving our freedom has always been high, yet throughout our history, brave Americans have been ready to pay that price," said Fairfax County Supervisor John Foust (D-Dranesville). Historic references to the Civil War and World War II highlighted his speech, and Foust also reminded the audience to remember the loved ones of the soldiers who died for their country.

Foust referred to a letter President Abraham Lincoln wrote to a mother who lost five sons in the American Civil War and to a sign on an American cemetery at Omaha Beach in Normandy in his key note speech. He said he prayed the pain of the families of the fallen American soldiers might be lessened by the gatherings that commemorate their lives and sacrifice.

"Let us remember our fallen comrades, not just today, but long after we leave here," said Kirby.

Herndon Mayor Steve DeBenedittis said Monday morning's commemoration was representative of previous years' Memorial Day commemorations. "This has always been a big event in Herndon," said DeBenedittis. He said Memorial Day and Veterans Day observances are important to the Herndon community and one of the reasons may be its proximity to Washington and the Pentagon. He said Monday's observance was "a wonderful and very appropriate commemoration."

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# OPINION

# Silver Lining, Aptly Named

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

**W**hen 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

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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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## Call for Father's Day Photos

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.

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## RCO: Through the Eyes and Ears of a Child

BY DR. MICHAEL MCKEE

## COMMENT

**T**he children of Reston were thrilled. The parents of Reston were impressed. And at the end, the musicians of the Reston Community Orchestra were tired, but quite gratified.

The RCO dedicated Sunday afternoon's concert at the Reston Community Center to the children of Reston and as a music education event for them. Hundreds of the Reston community, young and "more mature," took advantage of the free concert, had a great time and also just happened to learn a lot about music.

Both before the concert and at intermission, the members of the orchestra acted as music teachers

and the children had an "up close and personal" experience. Drums were beaten. Trumpets were, well, almost blown. Violins were—carefully, gently—played. Parents walked along behind their children, cameras at the ready, and they learned a lot as well.

In addition to the "Instrument Petting Zoo," a fine and quite varied concert was presented, with young conductors and young soloists, age seven to 17, taking the place of adults. The friendly and always engaging RCO music director, Maestro Fleary, invited all the children in the audience to come up front and sit by the orchestra.

He then introduced each piece with brief comments about the composer and composition that made the entire afternoon fly by and the children just loved it.

The hit of the event was the featured cello soloist, Alexander Pettingell, a South Lakes High School senior. He dazzled everyone with a combination of brilliant technique and quite mature interpretation. After playing the Saint-Saens Cello Concerto #1, he received such a long, standing ovation that he rewarded the audience with a lovely encore, also by Saint-Saens, entitled "The Swan."

Additionally, June Kim, 10, played the accordion. Justin Zhou, 8, also played the accordion —

and then amazed the audience by also tap dancing while he played his last number. Kathryn Tiller, daughter of the RCO's percussionist and a senior drum major with the South Lakes band conducted, as did her co-drum major friend, Jenna Brightwell. Their classmate, Evan Morris, composed the piece that Tiller conducted.

Following the Washington Saxophone Quartet and a drum demonstration by Craig Teer, the RCO concluded with the challenging, but very rewarding "Hoe Down" by Copland.

It was all fun and educational. All in all, this season-ending concert was one of the best attended and best received in recent memory.

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## NEWS

# Fitting In Indoor Tennis

RA directs staff to develop proposal options.

BY MIRZA KURSPAHC  
THE CONNECTION

**R**eston's tennis enthusiasts may be excited to learn that Reston Association (RA) is taking a closer look at its options to introduce an indoor facility to Reston. However, even if studying the options is conducted according to a timetable, it may take some time to bring the issue to RA mem-

bers in a referendum.

Larry Butler, RA's Parks and Recreation director, estimated that RA staff and consultants could hope to develop a proposal on a facility by September. Richard Chew, elected to the RA board as an at-large director in April, was hoping for an earlier date from the staff. "This isn't on a drawing board for referendum this year," said Chew. He added that tradition

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**The Herndon High School Orchestras,** directed by Bette Gavinski, will perform contemporary and classical selections at their spring concert in the Herndon High School auditorium. The concert will begin at 7 p.m. Admission is free, and all are welcome. Visit [www.herndonorch.org](http://www.herndonorch.org).

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**Farmers' Market.** Herndon hosts a farmers' market every Thursday from 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. through Oct. 23 at 765 Lynn St., Herndon.

**Spanish Chats.** Informal refresher for people who want to practice Spanish at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston, 7 p.m. Adults. No registration is required. Call 703-689-2700.

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# Under the Sun, By the Water

## Lake Anna Plaza summer season of performances under way.

BY LEAH KIEFF  
THE CONNECTION

**E**very Saturday during the summer season, Friends of Lake Anne funds a performance in the square in front of Reston's Used Book Store. There is a shaded outdoor seating area to watch the performances.

When asked what she likes best about Lake Anne plaza, Shelley Amastran of Reston said, "The Reston museum. Well it's a wonderful repository for Reston's history. It's a little known treasure of Reston." Every Saturday in addition to an outdoor market, there is also a free art activity for children in front of the Reston Museum.

Last Saturday May 24, the J & B Blues Brothers performed. Jeff and Brian Brown-Hill are a pair of 12-year-old fraternal twin brothers from Stafford who have been performing for the last three years. They have played here three times, and are going to play at Lake Anne three more times, June 7, July 26 and Aug. 26.

The Brown-Hills are influenced by their favorite music: Ellis Paul, Bob Dylan, Steve Earl and The Beatles. They usually play blues, folk, classic rock and country. Their slogan is: Never too young to play the blues.

When discussing what initially encouraged them to perform, Jeff said, "We saw people playing on TV, CMT and there was an open mike at a place where we lived and I played two or three blues songs that I'd learned from watching Stevie Ray Vaughn videos."

Bud Burwell of the Reston's Used Book Store likes that Lake Anne is "within walking distance and just how comfortable it is."

Brian Brown-Hill said of Lake Anne, "This is one of our favorite places to perform, we get to play two hours and also it's outside and people really listen."



**Twin brothers Jeff and Brian Brown-Hill, of the J&B Blues Brothers, perform in front of the Reston's Used Book Store at Lake Anne.**



**Patrons of Lake Anne walk through the outdoor market on their way into the plaza.**

PHOTOS BY LEAH KIEFF/THE CONNECTION

## VIEWPOINTS

### What do you like best about Lake Anne?

"I love the farmer's market during the summer, I like the drug store, the deli, the book-store, the fountain. It's a great place to bring the grandkids. I like the lake itself, to have coffee in the mornings now that I'm retired."

— Carrie Burns, Reston



"I like all the shops and facilities and activities. I like the book store and all the people are really nice."

— Cindy Wei,  
Reston

"There's so many things, but I think I just like its old school Reston feel."

— Erin Williams,  
Reston



"I like it because the restaurants aren't chains, I like the Jasmine Café, the Lakeside Café and the coffee shop."

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## SATURDAY/MAY 31

### Free Saturday Morning Concerts

every Saturday, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Lake Anne, Plaza Fountain, in front of Reston's Used Book Shop. Presented by Friends of Lake Anne. This week's performers are J&B Blues Project. Visit [www.lakeanneplaza.com](http://www.lakeanneplaza.com) or call 703-464-5559.

**Bluegrass.** Jimmy Gaudreau & Moondi Klein and Bill Emerson and the Sweet Dixie Band will perform at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1090 Sterling Road, Herndon at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20. Call 703-435-8377.

**Spring Picnic.** The Homeschoolers of Herndon Reston will hold their 1st Annual Spring Picnic from 4-7 p.m. at Frying Pan Park. Veggie burgers, hamburgers and kosher hotdogs provided. Bring beverages and a dish to pass. Come meet fellow homeschoilers and learn more about the programs and field trips in the works. Call 703-946-3382.

**Concert.** The Dreamscape Project will perform at the Relay for Life at South Lakes High School, 11400 South Lakes Drive at 12 p.m. Donations welcome. Call 703-715-4500.

**Sports.** The Jeanie Schmidt Free Clinic Sports and Camp Free Physicals Event will be from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at 500 Grove St., Herndon. Call 703-481-8160 or visit [www.jsfreeclinic.org](http://www.jsfreeclinic.org).

**Spinal Health Fair.** The Spinal Research Foundation is hosting the first annual "We've Got Your Back" 4-mile race, 2-mile fun walk and Spinal Health Fair during National Osteoporosis Awareness Month. Shawn Springs and Reed Doughty of

the Washington Redskins will serve as honorary co-chairs. The start, finish and Spinal Health Fair will be located at 1831 Wiehle Ave. in Reston. Race/walk participants can register online [www.spinerf.org](http://www.spinerf.org). Entry fees are \$25 for registration and \$30 for race day registration. Children 12 & under are free. To register for the race visit the race Web site at [www.spinerf.org](http://www.spinerf.org) or email [race@spinerf.org](mailto:race@spinerf.org).

**Jewelry and Yard Sale.** Holy Cross Lutheran Church will be holding its annual church-wide "Jewelry Sale" and "Yard Sale" from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m. Sellers will be outside as well as inside the building. Baked goods will also be for sale. Holy Cross is located at 1090 Sterling Road, Herndon. Visit <http://www.holycrosslutheranchurch.net> or call the church office at 703-437-1883.

**Children's Art Workshop.** Free make and take projects, themed for the seasons, with artist Pat Macintyre at the Reston Museum, 1639 Washington Plaza N., Reston, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. This week will be Create a fan for summer's hottest days. Call 703-709-7700.

## SUNDAY/JUNE 1

**5k Walk.** The Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation's (JDRF) Annual 5K Walk to Cure Diabetes will be held at the National Conference Center in Lansdowne. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. The Walk begins at 10 a.m. Call 202-465-4114, email [nhiszak@jdrf.org](mailto:nhiszak@jdrf.org) or visit [www.jdrfcapitol.org](http://www.jdrfcapitol.org).

**Concert.** The Dreamscape Project will perform at the Herndon Festival on the Café Stage in downtown Herndon at 4 p.m. Call 703-435-6866.

**Herndon Festival 10K & 5K Races,**



**Ice Cream Social: Come out to the pool and enjoy some refreshing ice cream while lounging poolside at Uplands Pool, 11032 Ring Road, Reston, Tuesday, June 3, 2 p.m. Make sundaes. Supplies are limited. Call 703-435-6577.**

will be from 7:30-9 a.m. Both races will take runners through historic downtown Herndon during Herndon Festival weekend. Awards are presented to the top two finishers in each age group from 10 and under to 70 and over. Refreshments for runners will be provided at the conclusion of the race. Call 703-787-7300.

## TUESDAY/JUNE 3

**Children's Show.** The Unicycle Pirate Lady will be at Lake Anne Village Center, 1609 Washington Plaza, Reston, 11-11:30 a.m. Visit [www.lakeanneplaza.com](http://www.lakeanneplaza.com).

**Ice Cream Social.** Come out to the pool and enjoy some refreshing ice cream while lounging poolside at Uplands Pool, 11032 Ring Road, Reston, 2 p.m. Make sundaes. Supplies are limited. Call 703-435-6577.

**Book Babies.** Interactive storytime for you and your child at Reston Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston, 10:15 a.m. Age 13-23 months with adult. Call 703-689-2700.

## WEDNESDAY/JUNE 4

**Bike Clinic for Senior Adults.** If

thinking of getting back in to biking or want to brush up on current biking skills, join this workshop to be held in the conference room at Reston Association at the Reston Association Main Office, 1930 Isaac Newton Square, Reston, 2-4 p.m. Clinic size is limited to 20. Call 703-435-6577 to register. Registration required.

## Happy Birthday, Herndon.

Celebrate the library's birthday at 10:30 a.m. at the Herndon Fortnightly Library, 768 Center St., Herndon. Age 2-5 with adult. Call 703-437-8855.

## THURSDAY/JUNE 5

**Children's Show.** Kid Comic Magic® will be at Lake Anne Village Center, 1609 Washington Plaza, Reston, 11-11:30 a.m. Visit [www.lakeanneplaza.com](http://www.lakeanneplaza.com).

**Senior Cinema.** at 10 a.m. at the Herndon Community Center, 814 Ferndale Ave., Herndon. The movie will be "Hairspray." Call 703-435-6800, Ext. 2109.

**Farmers' Market** from 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. at 765 Lynn St., Herndon. Visit [www.herndon-va.gov](http://www.herndon-va.gov).

**Spanish Chats.** Informal refresher for people who want to practice Spanish at the Reston Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston, 7 p.m. Adults. No registration is required. Call 703-689-2700.

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## FRIDAY/JUNE 6

**Friday Night Live** will be from 6:30- SEE CALENDAR, PAGE 14

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# CALENDAR

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10:30 p.m. on the Herndon Town Green, 777 Lynn St., Herndon. Love Seed Mama Jump will perform. Call 703-481-6133.

**Hot Tub Movie.** RA invites all those who enjoy the late night adult swim hours to stay for a free movie by the hot tub at North Shore Pool, 11515 North Shore Drive, Reston. Come relax, enjoy a Luau atmosphere and the movie and refreshments. Movie titles will be advertised at event locations or call 703-435-6577.

**SATURDAY/JUNE 7**

**Bird Count.** Join staff and volunteers

for a half day annual breeding bird count throughout Reston's natural areas from 6:45 a.m. – Noon. Meet local bird experts, learn tips on identification and have fun while obtaining important information to help our feather friends. To volunteer contact Ha Brock, RA volunteer coordinator, at 703-435-7986 or email habrock@reston.org.

**Hair Show.** Salon Chakra will present a hair show at the Lake Anne Village Center, 1609 Washington Plaza, Reston, 12 p.m. Visit [www.lakeanneplaza.com](http://www.lakeanneplaza.com).

**Reston Lake Cleanup.** Join fellow boaters and lake enthusiasts from 9 a.m. – Noon for the 2nd Annual Lake Cleanup. Looking for volunteers to

get on their boats and to walk the shorelines of Lake Audubon, Lake Thoreau and Lake Anne. To volunteer contact Ha Brock, RA volunteer coordinator at 703-435-7986 or email habrock@reston.org. For meeting locations or more information go to [www.reston.org](http://www.reston.org).

**Concerts on the Town.** Reston Concerts on the Town is a free series that takes place at the Reston Town Center Pavilion every Saturday from 7:30 – 10 p.m., rain or shine. Music lovers of all ages are invited to bring blankets, lawn chairs, and picnic baskets to the concerts each week and come ready to have a swingin' good time. Call the concert hotline: 703-912-4062. Beatemania Now!

will perform this week.

**Relay for Life.** The 2008 relay for life will run. The opening ceremonies will be at 5 p.m. at Herndon High School, 700 Bennett Street, Herndon.

**SUNDAY/JUNE 8**

**Tour de Cure.** The Reston Tour de Cure is a cycling event that allows both the avid and recreational cyclist to raise money for diabetes research, advocacy and educational programs. The Tour de Cure is a ride, not a race, and starts off at the Reston Town Center and travels on the W&OD Trail throughout Loudoun County from 6 a.m. – 11:30 p.m. with a Tour de Tots at 9:30 a.m. Visit

[www.diabetes.org/tour](http://www.diabetes.org/tour).

**MONDAY/JUNE 9**

**Mother Goose Time.** Interactive story time session for children at the Herndon Fortnightly Library, 768 Center St., Herndon, 10:30 a.m. Call 703-437-8855. Birth-23 months with adult.

**TUESDAY/JUNE 10**

**Children's Show.** Rainbow the Clown will be at Lake Anne Village Center, 1609 Washington Plaza, Reston, 11-11:30 a.m. Visit [www.lakeanneplaza.com](http://www.lakeanneplaza.com).



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## REAL ESTATE

# Redevelopment Plan Passes

FROM PAGE 6

look at Lerner's plans when they are completed. The Fairfax County planning staff recommended the supplying of further details as a condition for the "conceptual approval."

Plans for Spectrum were first developed in 1987 and the changes proposed by Lerner are not a rezoning. Looney said "we're trying to fill the vision for what the area was supposed to be to begin with."

**PLANNING COMMISSIONER**  
Frank de la Fe, who lives in Reston and represents Hunter Mill District, said the original plans "15 years ago" engendered much controversy because many of the residents wanted the type of development Lerner is now proposing.

Heidi Keusenkroth said she was concerned about the traffic the plan would engender and its impact on life in Reston. She said that she and other mothers now could easily access the town center and she doubted that Reston's original developer, Robert E. Simon, would approve of the project. But de la Fe said this is what Simon "wanted to begin with" and approved of the project.

The proposal is being made jointly with Harris Teeter Properties which owns the land upon which its store sits. Under the plan the 56,000-square-foot store would take over the next door space now occupied by Office Depot. The only other buildings that would remain after redevelopment would be a drive-through bank near the Harris Teeter site and the Town Center Office Building on the corner of Reston Parkway and Bowman Towne Drive.

**SEVEN BUILDINGS** in the plan would be residential with a maximum of 1,442 dwelling units and

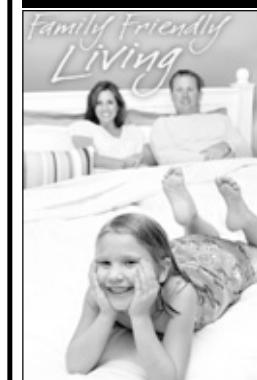
three buildings would be non-residential containing office space and retail space and possibly a hotel. All but one building would have retail space on the ground floor.

A pedestrian walkway which would connect the buildings. The 24.29 acre area would have 30 percent open space including plazas and pools for residents. The proposal would create 5,251 park-

ing spaces mostly in underground parking garages.

There was no firm proposal for "work force" housing, Looney said, because the property was zoned before that was a requirement — now 12 percent of dwelling units must earmarked for work force housing — but he said the owners agreed to do 55 units of work force housing.

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## OPINION

# Now, More Than Ever, Preserve Land

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

"**T**hey ain't making any more land" was the slogan of a leading real estate investor who bought and sold many acres of land in our area. And, indeed, with the land we have as being the land with which we have to work, it is incumbent upon us to get the best use of that land. In many instances the best use is its conservation. Gov. Timothy M. Kaine has set as a goal for his term as governor to conserve 400,000 acres of land, and he is well on his way to being successful.



available for conserving for open public space that is Mrs. Margaret Thomas' gardens on Lawyers Road just south of Reston. Each

year for the past several decades Mrs. Thomas has opened her garden of irises, peonies, and daylilies to friends, families, photographers, painters, and anyone passing by for their enjoyment. Now in her mid-80s, Mrs. Thomas would like to see her land and gardens preserved. A loyal group of volunteers and neighbors agree. They have lobbied for the land to be a park; they are exploring the possibility of establishing a non-profit organization. To get involved with their effort, visit [www.herndonirisgarden.com](http://www.herndonirisgarden.com).

Locally, the spring season reminds us of the five acres of privately held land that would be

available for conserving for open public space that is Mrs. Margaret Thomas' gardens on Lawyers Road just south of Reston. Each year for the past several decades Mrs. Thomas has opened her garden of irises, peonies, and daylilies to friends, families, photographers, painters, and anyone passing by for their enjoyment. Now in her mid-80s, Mrs. Thomas would like to see her land and gardens preserved. A loyal group of volunteers and neighbors agree. They have lobbied for the land to be a park; they are exploring the possibility of establishing a non-profit organization. To get involved with their effort, visit [www.herndonirisgarden.com](http://www.herndonirisgarden.com).

To save more of the landscape from suburban sprawl as the population of the region increases, it is essential to turn to smart growth concepts of land use. With mass transit coming to the area as rail in the

Dulles corridor, citizen task force groups have been looking at the areas rail will serve in Tysons Corner and Reston. With transit-oriented development of mixed uses of residential and commercial, around the rail stations it will be possible to create a livable and appealing urban environment in which car ownership will not be necessary. When Jane and I attended the Northern Virginia Fine Arts Festival at Reston Town Center recently we were once again reminded of the very attractive place that it is.

With no more land being made as our Realtor friend reminds us, we need to do a better job of preserving some that is left and getting the best use of that we choose to occupy.

## Alternatives to Tom Davis

BY JOHN LOVAAS  
CIVIC LEADER AND RESTON IMPACT  
PRODUCER/HOST

**T**here is an interesting Democratic primary election (June 10) for Congress in the 11th Congressional District. Four candidates are in the fray: Leslie Byrne - former congresswoman; Gerry Connolly - chairman of the Fairfax County Board; newcomer Doug Dennen - anti-Iraq war businessman and veteran; and newcomer Lori Alexander - a physical therapist.

So, when I got an invitation to attend a special candidates' forum on energy and climate change last week, my curiosity got the better of me and I went to see and hear for myself. I must admit that I was inclined to favor Leslie Byrne, a genuine and fiery liberal, but was interested in seeing her competitors on a topic of special concern to me. I was disappointed, but not totally surprised, when I arrived and learned that Gerry Connolly who had agreed to the date and accepted the invitation simply did not show. As the evening went on, I could appreciate his decision — he would have been clobbered.

**THE FORUM BEGAN** with a thoughtful and graphic presentation by a professor from Virginia Tech who left no doubt about the enormity of the dangers facing our planet without decisive and sustained action beginning yesterday. A question-and-answer period followed, and effectively highlighted the differ-

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ences among the candidates. They all agreed that the records of Virginia and Fairfax County in responding to the challenges were abysmal. Ms. Alexander was particularly critical of Democrat-led Fairfax County and its superficial policy initiatives when compared with Montgomery County, for example. Byrne and Dennen did not disagree.

Mr. Dennen impressed me as a serious candidate with fresh ideas who might be a needed spark on the clubby Fairfax Board. He disappointed, however, on energy in particular, stressing

conservation but failing to offer public policy ideas to change the economic incentives which foster continued oil dependency. Ms. Byrne on the other hand offered policy proposals as well as conservation concepts. Ms. Alexander decried the politicians and special interests which too often motivate them, but offered little in the way of meaningful suggestions beyond the hand wringing. She is a 180-degree opposite from Byrne whose experience and vision offer real hope for victory in November.

**WHEN IT WAS** over, I was convinced I would enthusiastically vote for Byrne if I could, but also would encourage Dennen to stay in the game and to run for county or state office.

Interestingly, all three candidates deplored the over-development and poor transportation planning which plague Fairfax County — thanks to Connolly and Co. and his predecessors. They all endorsed rail to Dulles, while sharply criticizing the plans for Tysons Corner.

## The Rest of the Funding ...

BY JACK KENNY  
PAST PRESIDENT, REPUBLICAN  
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A DIFFERING  
POINT OF VIEW

nial Budget. The Governor has made a DOA (dead on arrival) proposal to fund transportation from a hodge-podge of fees and tax increases dumping the issue of raising the gasoline tax another penny to the localities making the most noise. We have one tax-and-spend delegate, Del. Chap Petersen who unabashedly calls for a tax increase on those who support Rail to Dulles. Nothing heard from our delegate, Ken Plum unless

it is to be a cheerleader: Rah Rah Rail! Rail to Dulles! Rah Rah Rail!

For those of you who missed the finer points, Madame Secretary Peters also mentioned the "crumbling Infrastructure" of the entire Metrorail system to the tune of almost \$500 million. That means the State of Virginia needs to come up with an additional \$163 million to pay for that minor detail. This writer poses the question: Given that Rail to Dulles will double the train traffic between the West Falls Church Station and Metrorail Center, how much more money will be required of the Dulles Extension to pay for the crumbling infrastructure to bring it up to standards to support the additional traffic? We have not been assured that the one tunnel under the Potomac from Rosslyn to Foggy Bottom will handle the additional trains.

There are a lot of questions that need to be answered before we taxpayers buy into Northern Virginia's Big Dig! Let us put this question before the voters in November. We need to hear how much money will need to come out of our Reston pockets. Let us vote on how much all this mythical support we hear about is willing to pay.

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# NEWS

## RA Staff Works on Options for Indoor Tennis

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ally the RA did not hold referendums close to election time, which could push the referendum on indoor facilities to a year from now or later, even if the staff completes its work according to schedule. Chew reminded the rest of the board at its May meeting that the community will want public presentations and hearings about the facility, "and rightfully so," which could delay the building of the facility even fur-

ther.

At-large director Mark Watts said he did not see prudence in pushing the proposal study to an earlier date. "It's been so long, I don't think we'll lose a whole lot," he said about the search for an indoor tennis facility. He said he would rather take the appropriate time to "dot the i's and cross the t's."

"Don't assume there will be a problem" holding a referendum close to election time, said Kathleen Driscoll-McKee, the South

Lakes director.

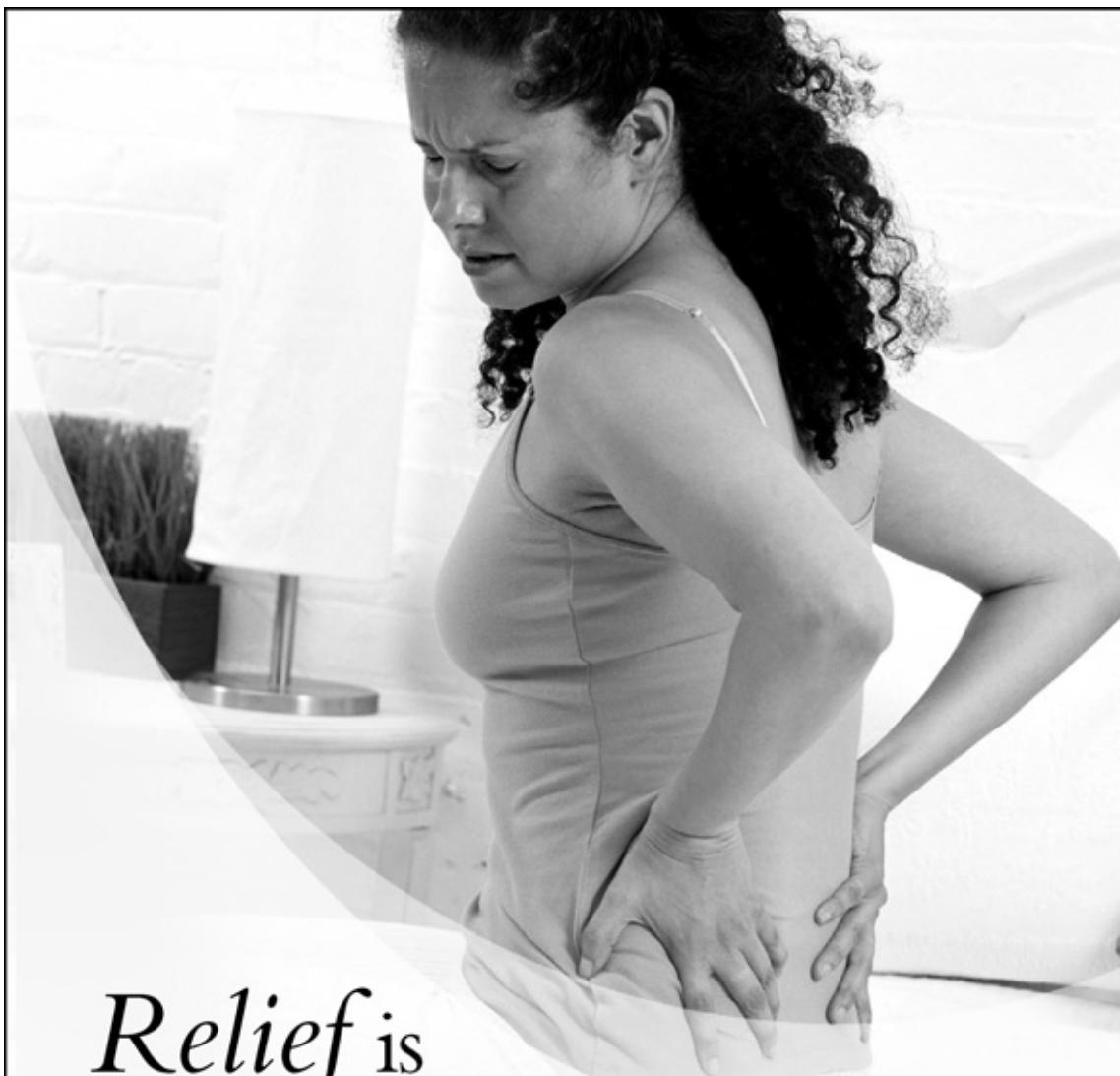
Invoking RA'S 2004 recreation plan, developed with the help of PROS Consulting, Butler said the RA does well to provide recreation opportunities to its members. "But also, it turns those people away in October," he said, because there are no indoor facilities to support the recreation needs.

The proposal study would examine some of the basic questions surrounding the development of an indoor tennis facility.

"Would it fit, does it work, what are some of the issues," said Butler of the proposal study.

The proposal study includes outreach to surrounding residents and community sports groups that may be affected with the options.

One of the options, said Butler, is to replace one of the three baseball fields at Brown's Chapel Park with an indoor tennis facility and associated recreation space.



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# SPORTS

# Season of Progress for South Lakes Baseball

**Morris' squad showed potential in second half of season.**

BY RICK BAAMONDE  
SPECIAL TO THE CONNECTION

**W**hen South Lakes High varsity baseball coach Galvin Morris looked out over his roster to start the season, a little dismay could be excused.

He had lost eight seniors to graduation, seven of whom were starters, including his entire pitching rotation, his entire infield and both corner outfield spots. Most of the team had played together for three or four years with few changes. There were a few bright spots. Returning for their senior years were six players, though only two full-time starters – All-District award winners Noah Sweet (center field), who hit well over .300 in 2007, and catcher Scott Reed, who set a record by throwing out 22 runners attempting to steal in 21 games last year.

Two other seniors and occasional starters from the previous season, Paul Kirchner and Ian Hostetler, were anticipated to be the main starting pitchers this year, with Sweet as a third starter. Other returning seniors would be outfielder Grant Pollard, second baseman Matt Blackerby and catcher Jamie Pierce. They would be counted on to bring a stabilizing presence to the otherwise brand new team, and to be key contributors in various roles.

There was no denying, though, that this would be a rebuilding year.

Making the varsity for underclassmen in '07 was difficult, but two sophomores did make the team. Lefty first baseman Tyler Siqueiros and middle infielder Jon Baamonde took a lot of good-natured abuse last year as the young guns, but that experience helped them to be ready for the '08 season as starters.

**THIS YEAR'S tryouts, needless to say, were a lot different. A lucky break was the arrival of a slick-fielding, junior shortstop from California – Andrew Thomas-Calvo. He had played varsity baseball out west, and**



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**Seahawks' catcher Scott Reed led the Seahawks in batting.**

was a welcome addition to the middle infield. The new-look Seahawks shaped up like this: Sweet in center field, Reed at catcher, Calvo at shortstop, Baamonde at second, Siqueiros at first, Kirchner at third, and Hostetler in the outfield. After that, it was anyone's guess.

Ultimately, freshmen Will Sweet (third base), Wilfredo Corps-Ortiz (outfield) and Wes Casson (outfield) earned spots on the team, as well as sophomore Kevin Ball. With seven new full-time starters, and so many players new to varsity baseball, it was understandable that the team would struggle throughout the first half of the season. Every game seemed to have a pivotal play where the wheels would fall off during the first half of the season.

But South Lakes picked up steam in the second half of the season. Highlights included two wins over Jefferson, a come-from-behind victory at Woodson and a huge 7-2 win over divisional powerhouse Madison.

In its two games against Langley, South Lakes lost close games that they felt they should have won. In their first meeting, the team out-hit Langley with a one-hit outing turned in by pitcher Ian Hostetler. The second game was close as well, a 6-5 setback.

A high pop-up lost in the lights with two-outs and two runners on in the bottom of the sixth, turned a 4-2 lead into a heart-

breaking 5-4 loss at Marshall. But the Seahawks rebounded from that loss with a decisive 11-0 win at home against Thomas Jefferson, featuring a one-hit pitching outing by Paul Kirchner, who also pitched the complete game victory over Madison.

The coaching staff started to feel like the team was gelling, and that the Seahawks might be a little tougher to beat than people might think.

**Kudos:** Senior Scott Reed hit in every game this season, leading in most hitting categories, batting .491, hitting for power, and driving in a ton of runs. Senior Noah Sweet got hot at the end of the season, finishing the season just under .350, with seven steals, while leading the team in runs scored.

Junior Jon Baamonde batted .344, was second on the team in RBIs, and, with 14 stolen bases, ranked among the top five in the state. Kirchner and Ian Hostetler turned in several excellent pitching outings, often ending up losers in games they could have won with a little more hitting and a little better fielding. Kirchner ranked among the district leaders in strikeouts.

Andrew Thomas-Calvo and Baamonde became a formidable double-play combo and their defense up the middle was often flashy, while Calvo got hotter at the plate as the cold weather departed. Sophomore

Kevin Ball started to show power late in the season, with several big hits and RBIs. Perhaps the biggest surprise was the pitching and hitting of freshman Will Sweet, who evolved into the de-facto closer for the Seahawks, and whose batting led all freshman for most of the season. Another freshman, Wilfredo Corps Ortiz, had a six-game hitting streak late in the season. He drove in two big runs in the first inning of the Seahawks' win versus Madison.

Little by little, one could see improvements in all the hitters and in their fielding as the season progressed and as all the players got used to each other, learned to communicate better, and often learned to play totally new positions.

Marshall was the Seahawks' undoing in the district tournament. The Seahawks lost the extra-inning affair, 4-3. Three of Marshall's four runs were unearned.

Still, by all accounts, South Lakes played a good game and the pressure and experience will certainly be helpful as the young team moves into next year. Their coaches are cautiously optimistic. It will be hard to replace their two senior aces, and especially their stellar center fielder and catcher, but the signs are there that the Seahawks will have enough returning starters to build around and hit the ground running next year.

Redistricting will help, as well, providing a larger student base to draw from and, perhaps, a few less players for their bigger rivals.

**District Honors** were recently announced, with seniors Scott Reed (catcher) and Noah Sweet (center field) given First Team honors, and senior Paul Kirchner (pitcher) and junior Jon Baamonde (second base) given Second Team nods.

**THERE IS A SEAHAWKS** travel team registered within the Northern Virginia Travel Baseball League. Most of South Lakes' returning players, plus some rising JV players, will play at the travel team varsity level throughout the summer and fall. Baamonde was selected by, and will play for, the 19U Next Level Legends ODL / RBI League team this summer, while Corps-Ortiz will play for the Vienna Mustangs team he has been affiliated with in previous seasons.

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### SATURDAY/MAY 31

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10 a.m. Defend Yourself  
10:30 a.m. Strength Advantage  
11 a.m. Guitar Instruction  
11:30 a.m. Just Another Sports Show

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6:30 p.m. Connecting with Supervisor Hudgins  
7 p.m. Strength Advantage

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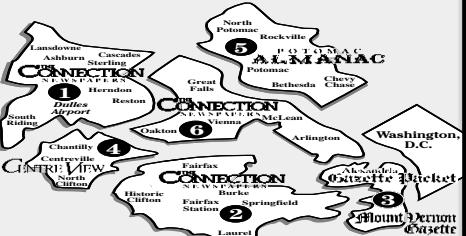
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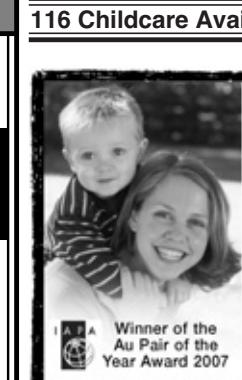
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By KENNETH B. LOURIE

As the price of oil goes up, up, up, my ability to maintain my "normal" lifestyle (what there is of it) goes down, down, down. The collateral damage to the international, national, local and extremely local (meaning my house) economies caused by oil's continuing price escalation continues to cascade onto a multiplicity of other goods and services. Aside from all the obvious energy-related industries and products, the price of food, more so even than merely the transporting of it to market, is being felt up and down the food chain; from seeding and planting to growing to harvesting to packaging; the pressure, the pain is more than simply at the pump. And ultimately all this discomfort will be passed along to the consumer as reflected in many of the products available for sale at your local supermarket.

What are we consumers to do? Do we pay more to eat less? Or do we try, somehow, to eat more while paying less? I have chosen the latter. Who wouldn't prefer to pay less while eating more? I definitely do and so does a co-worker of mine. And how do I know this? I know this because I was asked to do something — with her — that hurts no one, yet could help the two of us and the families we consumer advocate for, really significantly. The question asked of me was if I'd be interested in exchanging — with one another — our unused manufacturer's coupons ("Red Plum," "Smart Source," "Valassis," "PG," etc.) typically inserted into the Sunday newspapers.

As many of you know, presumably, there are dollars — and some cents — in them thar editions. And those dollars can be well spent, especially if they (the coupons) are for products (and to a much lesser degree, services) that one would be buying anyway, and multiples of, if you had the cash flow and/or the storage to accommodate the overflow. And since these manufacturer's coupons are usable only once, having seconds and thirds in hand could allow a consumer to buy in a more modest bulk than they might otherwise buy; without adversely effecting the family's budget disproportionately, shall we say, to all the other demands on those very same dollars.

Given the fact that such "couponing" has always been a consuming passion of mine, I was delighted to receive the offer, and flattered as well. So delighted in fact, that I neglected to tell my co-worker that I will have two complete sets of these same Sunday coupons to hand over as I already have a similar arrangement with my mother. (She really can't be bothered clipping coupons anymore. I clip them for her, however, and use them for either one of us, as the case may be. Subsequently — and quite coincidentally — I later learned that my co-worker likewise has already been exchanging coupons with her mother, too.)

And so it appears, that at the end of the day (or night) the two of us will have tripled/quadrupled our cache of coupons. All of which means that the two of us will be spending significantly less money on food/household products/pet supplies, etc., this summer/fall than we would have otherwise, thereby enabling our respective families to have a bit of extra money. And who couldn't benefit from a bit of extra money? (Other than Exxon/Mobil, Shell, Chevron, Gulf, BP, etc., that is.)

Moreover, given the recession/non-recession-type lack of growth that our national/local economy is experiencing it would seem to be extremely prudent and practical planning to maintain a similar lack of growth as concerns our own personal costs of living and so our coupon exchange has begun.

If the Federal Government's supply and demand, laissez-faire-type attitude with respect to the price of a barrel of crude oil persists, then I have limited other options, practically speaking, other than to coupon exchange. Nor can I worry about whether these ends will justify the means. I only know it's a means to an end.

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# BULLETIN BOARD

To have community events listed in the Connection, send to reston@connectionnewspapers.com or call 703-917-6449 with questions. Deadline is Friday.

## THURSDAY/MAY 29

**Outreach Meeting.** This is the public's night to talk about the issues on their mind. What can RA do to help your cluster and condo be successful. Meet at the Reston Association Main Office, 1930 Isaac Newton Square, Reston. Call 703-435-6503.

**Imagine Art Here.** The Initiative for Public Art - Reston (IPAR) is holding a public forum on public art at CenterStage at the Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston, 6:30-10 p.m. The forum will be a key step in stimulating a community-wide discussion about the role that public art can play in urban places and community life. It will include guest speakers and public discussion. Contact Leila Gordon, Reston Community Center, or e-mail info@publicartreston.org.

## MONDAY/JUNE 2

**League of Women Voters.** Sen. Janet Howell and Del. Ken Plum will report on the 2008 Virginia General Assembly session to Reston members of the League of Women Voters and guests at the Reston Community Center at Lake Anne. Members of the public are encouraged to attend the meeting, which will begin at 7 p.m. and take place in room C at the Center. Call 703-471-6364.

**Planning Commission Public Hearing** at 7 p.m. at the Council Chambers, 765 Lynn St., Herndon. Visit www.herndon-va.gov.

**Planning and Zoning Committee** in the Reston Association Main Office, 1930 Isaac Newton Square, Reston at 7:30 p.m. Call 703-435-7994.

## TUESDAY/JUNE 3

**Pedestrian and Bicycle Committee**, 7 p.m. at Reston Association Main Office, 1930 Isaac Newton Square, Reston. Visit www.reston.org.

## WEDNESDAY/JUNE 4

**Mothers First - Herndon/Reston** is a nonprofit support organization dedicated to helping

## BUSINESS NOTES

Through Thursday, May 29, **The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society** is teaming up with 15 area Uno's Chicago Grill restaurants to raise some dough to find a cure for blood cancers. To join in, people simply need to visit any of the participating Uno's (dine-in OR carry-out) and tell their server they are there to support The Leukemia & Society.

Uno's will donate up to 20 percent of the check total to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society – the world's largest voluntary health organization dedicated to funding blood cancer research and providing education and patient services.

Randall Hagner, one of the Washington area's

## FAITH NOTES

Faith Notes are for announcements and events in the faith community, including special holiday services. Send to reston@connectionnewspapers.com or call 703-917-6449. Deadline is Friday.

**Northern Virginia Hebrew Congregation** recently began a support group, "When You Lose a Loved One," for congregants and members of the community who are in grief after the recent death of a loved one. The facilitated group, open to members of the community who are seeking bereavement support in a Jewish context, will continue to meet on the **first and third Tuesdays** of each month at 7 p.m. at Northern Virginia Hebrew Congregation, 1441 Wiehle Ave., Reston. For more information, contact the synagogue at 703-437-7733 or info@nvhcreston.org.

**Every Wednesday** at 12:15 p.m., **St. Timothy's Episcopal Church**, 432 Van Buren St. in Herndon, offers a lunch-time **Healing and Holy Communion service**. This half-hour service is offered to all and allows people an

women who have chosen to alter their careers to raise their children at home. Meetings are first and second Wednesdays at 10 a.m. at the Herndon Fortnightly Library, 768 Center St., Herndon. Contact 703-827-5922 or www.mothersfirst.org.

## THURSDAY/JUNE 5

**Transportation Advisory Committee**, 5:30 p.m. at the Reston Association Main Office, 1930 Isaac Newton Square, Reston. Call 703-435-6506.

**Architectural Board of Review** at 8 a.m. at the Reston Association Main Office, 1930 Isaac Newton Square, Reston. Call 703-435-7994.

## TUESDAY/JUNE 10

**Business Network Expo** will be held on at the McNair Farms Community Center at 2491 McNair Farms Drive, Herndon from 4-7 p.m.. This Business Network Expo will have vendors from several different venues that serve individuals as well as other businesses. Contact Terry Jones of Cruises, Inc. at 703-793-9386.

**VA Tech Discussion** A panel discussion on Virginia Tech: The Aftermath will be at 7 p.m. in the Auditorium of St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 11900 Lawyers Road in Reston. The panel will discuss helping victims of crime, particularly family members of homicide, support services, legislation and other efforts to address the issues that contributed to the tragedy on April 16. Any questions can be directed to Lu Ann Maciulla McNabb at contactus@angelfundva.org.

**Tennis Advisory Committee.** The Tennis Advisory Committee advises the Board of Directors on the sound management and development of the Association's tennis programs and facilities. Meet at the Reston Association Main Office, 1930 Isaac Newton Square, Reston, 7 p.m. Call 703-435-6534.

**Environmental Advisory Committee**, 7-9 p.m. at RA Central Services Facility, 12250 Sunset Hills Road, Reston. Call 703-435-6513.

## WEDNESDAY/JUNE 11

**Herndon Town Hall Blood Drive**, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. In the Bloodmobile located in the parking lot outside the HMC parking garage. Call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE.

leading commercial and residential real estate companies, has been selected to market Executive II, an 87,809 square foot, 5-story brick and glass office building with access to the Dulles Toll Road. The owner of the 1989 building, Centennial Companies, has begun construction on a \$3 million renovation designed to reposition the property to Class A standards, converting the property to condominium ownership.

**Preferred Offices** opened its newest location in Reston Town Center. Located at 1818 Library Street, Preferred Offices provides full-time and part-time or "virtual" office solutions to address the needs of growing businesses.

opportunity to worship during the work week when they may be away from their regular church. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Sacrament, and all who have not been baptized may receive a blessing at the Altar rail. Call the church Mondays-Fridays, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., at 703-437-3790 or visit www.saint-timothys.org.

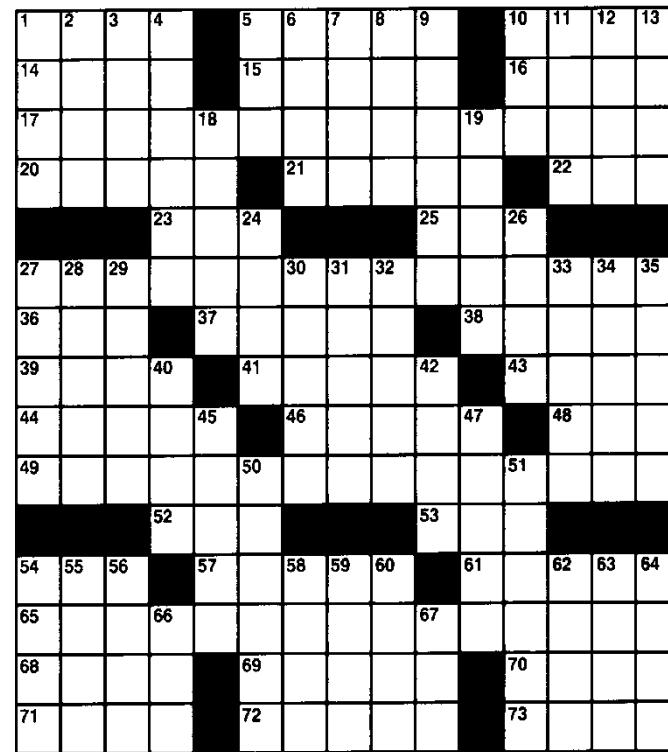
**Knitters** needed the **first and third Wednesdays** of the month at 7 p.m. at **St. Timothy's Episcopal Church**, 432 Van Buren St., Herndon. The church's Shawl Ministry is offering free knitting instruction while providing shawls, blankets and other knitted items for people in need. No cost and yarn can be provided. E-mail shawl@saint-timothys.org or visit the Pastoral Care page at www.saint-timothys.org.

Non-denominational **Christian businessmen** meet for prayer, Biblical discussion and fellowship **every Friday** at 7 a.m. at Anita's, 1051 Elden St., Herndon and **every Thursday** at noon at 555 Grove St, Ste. 200, Herndon. Call 703-795-1257.

# NEW YORK TIMES CROSSWORD

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Puzzle by Wesley R. Johnson

### 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
- 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!"

### 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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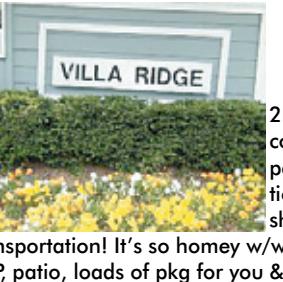
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 <p><b>Potomac Falls</b> <b>\$950,000</b> <b>On the 14th Green!</b> 5BR, 4.5BA, sf in Lowe's Island, views the Potomac! Open floor plan w/hardwoods, 2-sided FP in huge MBR, fin basement walks out to patio, deck off kitchen, 2 more fireplaces in LR &amp; FR. Office on main level and maintenance free. <b>Please call Kate for more details and a personal tour 703-919-7184</b></p>	 <p><b>Reston</b> <b>\$308,000</b> <b>Close to Everything!</b> Beautiful 1st floor 2BR, 1BA condo in North Point! Wood floors, granite counters, 42" cherry cabinets. Patio off LR, separate dining area. Convenient to North Point &amp; Reston Town Center! </p>	 <p><b>Herndon</b> <b>\$389,900</b> <b>Come Home!</b> Beautiful and bright 3BR, 2.5BA home w/many updates inc: kitchen app, water heater, heat pump, carpet, fresh paint, gutters, garage door &amp; opener. No HOA! Gorgeous yard w/large deck.  <b>Call Virgil 703-585-1821</b></p>	 <p><b>Reston</b> <b>\$245,000</b> <b>Location, Location!</b> 2BR, 1BA condo in the perfect location -close to shops, dining &amp; transportation! It's so homey w/wood burning FP, patio, loads of pkg for you &amp; your guests. New carpet &amp; windows and all of Reston amenities.  <b>Call Christine 703-994-3616</b></p>
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