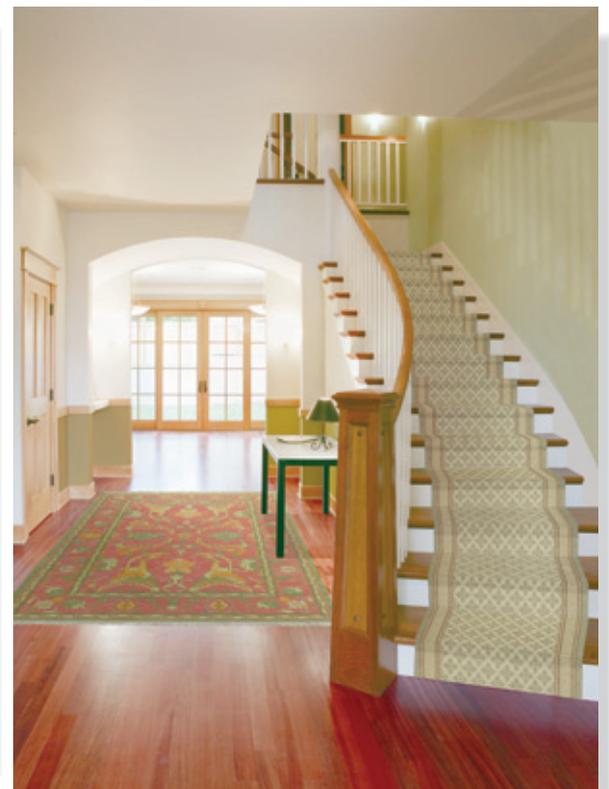


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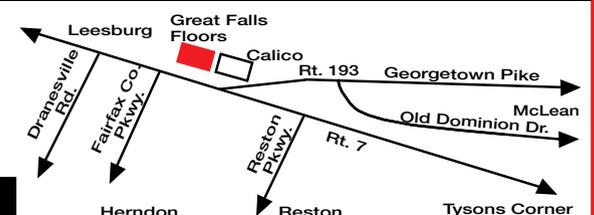
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Julie Micsan fixes her cap before marching into the DAR auditorium for her high school graduation on June 12 from Langley High School.

Ashley Hart, class vice-president of the Langley High School class of 2008, gives the student address.

Langley Principal, Class Graduate Together

BY MIKE DICICCO
THE CONNECTION

Class of 2008 and retiring Principal Bill Clendaniel both say goodbye to Langley.

Last Thursday's graduation marked a milestone not only for Langley High School's graduating class, said Student Government Association representative Krista Germano as she

introduced Principal Bill Clendaniel. It was also a big day for Clendaniel, who is retiring this year. "He too will be graduating

today and moving on with the rest of his life, making him an honorary member of the class of 2008," Germano told the crowd

at DAR Constitution Hall.

She commended the impression Clendaniel had left on the school and the county, not only with his "insight, wisdom and ability to guide people," but also with his "witty sarcasm and playful jabs."

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Optimists Raise Funds, Spirit

Great Falls Optimist Club makes difference in community life.

BY MATTHEW SWIFT
THE CONNECTION

"Do you know the Optimist Creed?" asked Elisa Cafferky. "The very last thing on the Optimist Creed is 'to be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble' and if I had to put my finger on anything that the Optimist Club has done is that they've made it possible for [my family] to be that way." Cafferky is just one of the many people in Great Falls that the Optimist Club has helped or touched in a special way. Cafferky's son, Nick, was paralyzed in a swimming accident last year and the Optimist Club raised over \$100,000 for his family to lessen the burden of medical bills and other expenses. Most recently, the club presented Nick with a check for \$8,000 that was raised at a barn dance last October. "They've done everything for us," said Cafferky. "We love them so much."

The Cafferkys aren't the only ones benefiting from the Optimist's caring and gen-

erosity.

IN THE PAST YEAR the club took over the Great Falls Spring Festival, raised money for Kidz Clubhouse, and has helped with the 4th of July event and the Fall Festival. Even with all these events many residents are unaware of the Optimists and how they improve the community, but with these high-profile events that may change soon. "I don't think the community has been really aware of us," said Dan Smith, co-owner of Hill Signature Portraits and vice-president of the club. "We're trying to be sure that people know that we're here and we're trying to make sure people see that the Optimist Club is active over and over again. If we can inspire other folks to come and join us then it's just better for the whole community and the kids." The club expects to have around 40 members in the near future.

"We'll probably double our membership this year," said Optimist Club president Lisa Jackson who said last October the club had only 20 members.

The Great Falls Optimist Club is part of a worldwide non-profit organization known as Optimist International whose motto is "Friend of Youth" with their primary mission to help young people in the commu-



Lisa Jackson



Candace Campbell



Joda Coolidge

nity. The organization was founded in 1911 in Buffalo, N.Y. and has since spread all over the world. The Great Falls chapter is relatively small, but this has not hampered the club from helping youth and those in need in Great Falls. "It's really a great way to give back to the community," said Jackson. "A lot of us are always looking for some way to give back and it's been a lot of fun."

Jackson cites the Spring Festival as their biggest success this year. The Optimist Club took over the festival from Jorge Adeler of Adeler Jewelers and the event was a hit with residents, drawing over 2,000 people. The festival featured a treasure hunt for children, live music, antique and new cars, and a variety of other popular activities for children and adults. Even with all the fun

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VIEWPOINTS

What are your plans for the summer: Have the economy and fuel prices influenced your plans?

— DONNA MANZ



Sarah Kearney, Great Falls

"No, no changes to our plans. We will spend a week at the beach at Bald Head, N.C., and spend a lot of time at our house at Wintergreen."



Insun Hofgard, Great Falls

"Our summer plans are not yet formalized, but fuel prices or the economy is not going to affect any plans. We are planning on flying to Colorado or England for vacation."

Excitement over Mt. Fuji Climb

Great Falls Elementary parents and students prepare to climb Japan's tallest mountain.

BY MIKE DICICCO
THE CONNECTION

The prospect of mountain climbing to altitudes of more than 12,000 feet seems to have aroused concerns in only a few Great Falls Elementary School parents.

Sixth-grade students at the school, which has a Japanese language immersion program, have been traveling with their parents to Japan for years, but this year's group will be the first to climb Japan's tallest mountain, Mount Fuji, which peaks at 12,388 feet. They will not actually hike the entire mountain but will take a bus about halfway up and walk the rest of the way.

Meggan Abboud and Lottie Johnson have enrolled in a boot camp-style exercise program to prepare for the climb. Abboud knew about the program, Active Duty Fitness, and decided to enroll, inviting the other parents to join her. "Only Lottie Johnson took me up on it," she said. "I think Lottie and I are the most nervous. That's why we're the only



PHOTO BY MIKE DICICCO/THE CONNECTION

From left, Lottie and Carleigh Johnson, Olivia Abboud, and Jamie and Pete Waldorf are ready to represent Great Falls Elementary in Japan.

ones doing the boot camp."

Johnson said the parents were not too worried about their children's hiking prowess. "The kids all do soccer and swimming and all that," she said.

ALTHOUGH there is snow on the mountaintop, Johnson said the climb would not require any special equipment. While the weather in Japan is now in the 70s, temperatures at the peak of the mountain will

drop to around freezing at night, which is when the group will do a good part of its hiking. Beginning at the fifth of the mountain's 10 stations, they will climb to the seventh station, nap until about 11 p.m. and then hike to the peak in time for sunrise on July 4.

Pete Waldorf said he was not too worried, as he runs often and stays in good shape.

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Citizens Raise Hot Lanes Concerns

Tyson residents urge Kaine to closely manage Hot Lanes project.

BY NICHOLAS M. HORROCK
THE CONNECTION

Virginia Department of Transportation officials and representatives of Fluor/Transurban, the contractor for the Hot Lanes, found Tyson Corner residents tense and unflattering at a public meeting on June 4 and residents are complaining to Gov. Tim Kaine about the problems they see.

The Condominium Association of The Regency at McLean whose members live a few hundred yards from where construction will shortly begin, told the highway representatives that "you've got the cart before the horse," as Frank Powell put it, by beginning the work before Maryland takes steps to widen the American Legion Bridge and portions of the Maryland Beltway beyond.

"We can spend millions of dollars, but if Maryland doesn't widen the American Legion Bridge, we will still have a backup,"

said Amy Tozzi, a resident of the Encore and a member of the Tysons Land Use Task Force.

THE CITIZENS MAINTAINED that to improve the capacity of the road for the 14 miles from the Springfield Interchange to Route 193 will simply make the American Legion Bridge over the Potomac a "choke point" and they seemed totally surprised when the highway officials said that Maryland was not coordinating a project with Virginia.

Roger Boothe of VDOT said that he and Angus Murray of Fluor/Transurban were in charge of the project and were not involved with any discussions with Maryland, but press reports have indicated that Maryland is not planning to move on Beltway changes in the near future.

Murray said the Hot Lanes work would begin shortly by building two "outer lanes" on each side of a core where the Hot Lanes would be built.

The two outer lanes will carry traditional Beltway traffic for which there would be no cost.

The Hot Lanes will carry HOV lane traffic with three passengers and cars willing to pay a toll who want to move along the route faster than the Beltway. The tolls will change depending on the number of cars crowding the Beltway and motorists will

have EZpass "transponders" in their cars which will note the charges for use of the Hot Lanes and bill the car's owner.

AFTER THE MEETING the citizens association of these two high rise condominiums, the Condominium Association of the Regency at McLean, with 312 residences sent a letter to governor and to officials, from U.S. Sen. Jim Webb to Gerald E. Connolly, chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors.

"Virginia and Maryland should coordinate on a project of this magnitude," the group said, but said Kaine signed a contract with Fluor/Transurban "despite a lack of public scrutiny even though public funds of \$400 million are being committed to what was to be a private sector project."

They urged protection for forested areas along the route, installation of higher and more effective sound barriers and noise impact studies at key neighborhoods along the route.

All the residents at the meeting, some 60 from several buildings, seemed confused on how they will be able to enter the Beltway during construction and how the enormous traffic congestion they anticipate will be managed.

"The Beltway is already a parking lot morning and evening," said Mary Tozzi a resident of the Encore.

Association Board Elected

Great Falls Citizens Association has elected a new 2008-2009 Executive Board. Newly elected officers include: Jim Luce, president; Ralph Apton, vice president; Jack Bowles, treasurer, and David Kondner, secretary.

GfCA Board members are: Sue F. Bennett, Richard Bliss, John Burke, Wayne Foley, Steven Gray, Eric Knudsen, Stella Koch, Robert Lundegard, Kathleen Murphy, Joe Sartiano, Dianne Van Volkenburg and Robb Watters.

Mansion Goes On Auction Block

The Ridley Estate, a three-level, five-bedroom, five and one-half bath luxury home on over five acres of woodland in Great Falls goes on the auction block Sunday, June 22. This story is not part of the sub-prime mortgage fiasco that is prevalent throughout the country, but rather an indication that no class is shielded from the effects of the downturn in the housing market.

Tim Ridley, a prominent Great Falls attorney, one-time aide to Virginia Gov. Chuck Robb and National Director of Delaware Sen. Joe Biden's 1988 Presidential Campaign purchased the home in 1998. One year after Ridley died in 2005 his widow decided to put the property up for sale.

Despite over \$300,000 in upgrades, no one came forward with an acceptable offer for the estate, which has a tax assessment of nearly \$1.8 million and an estimated market value of over \$2 million. Mrs. Ridley eventually agreed to allow the property to be sold at auction with bidding starting at \$750,000. Detailed information about the property can be found at www.realestateresolutioncorp.net.

Firefighters Host Blood Drive

The Great Falls Volunteer Fire Department, located at 9916 Georgetown Pike, is hosting a blood drive on July 4, and anyone who signs up and attempts to give blood will receive a \$10 gasoline gift card.

Two INOVA Blood Mobiles will be parked at the station from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Appointments are every 15 minutes. Up to five people can sign up for a particular time. The minimum age for donors is 17 years, and there is no maximum. Before signing up, carefully read the eligibility requirements at <http://www.greatfallsvfd.org/donor.pdf> Only eligible donors qualify for the gift card. To make an appointment, send your name, telephone number and desired appointment time to: donateblood@greatfallsvfd.org.

NEWS

HOT Lanes Concerns Discussed

Area officials report progress.

Officials of the Virginia Department of Transportation and the design contractor for the Beltway Hot Lanes Project have agreed to measures that address community concerns about a construction staging area being built near the intersection of the Beltway and Route 193 (Georgetown Pike).

At a meeting at the office of Dranesville Supervisor John Foust on June 5, Del. Margaret Vanderhuy, state Sen. Janet Howell, and Foust negotiated with officials from VDOT and HOT Lanes contractor Fluor/Transurban over how to improve the appearance of the site and protect the neighborhood and nearby

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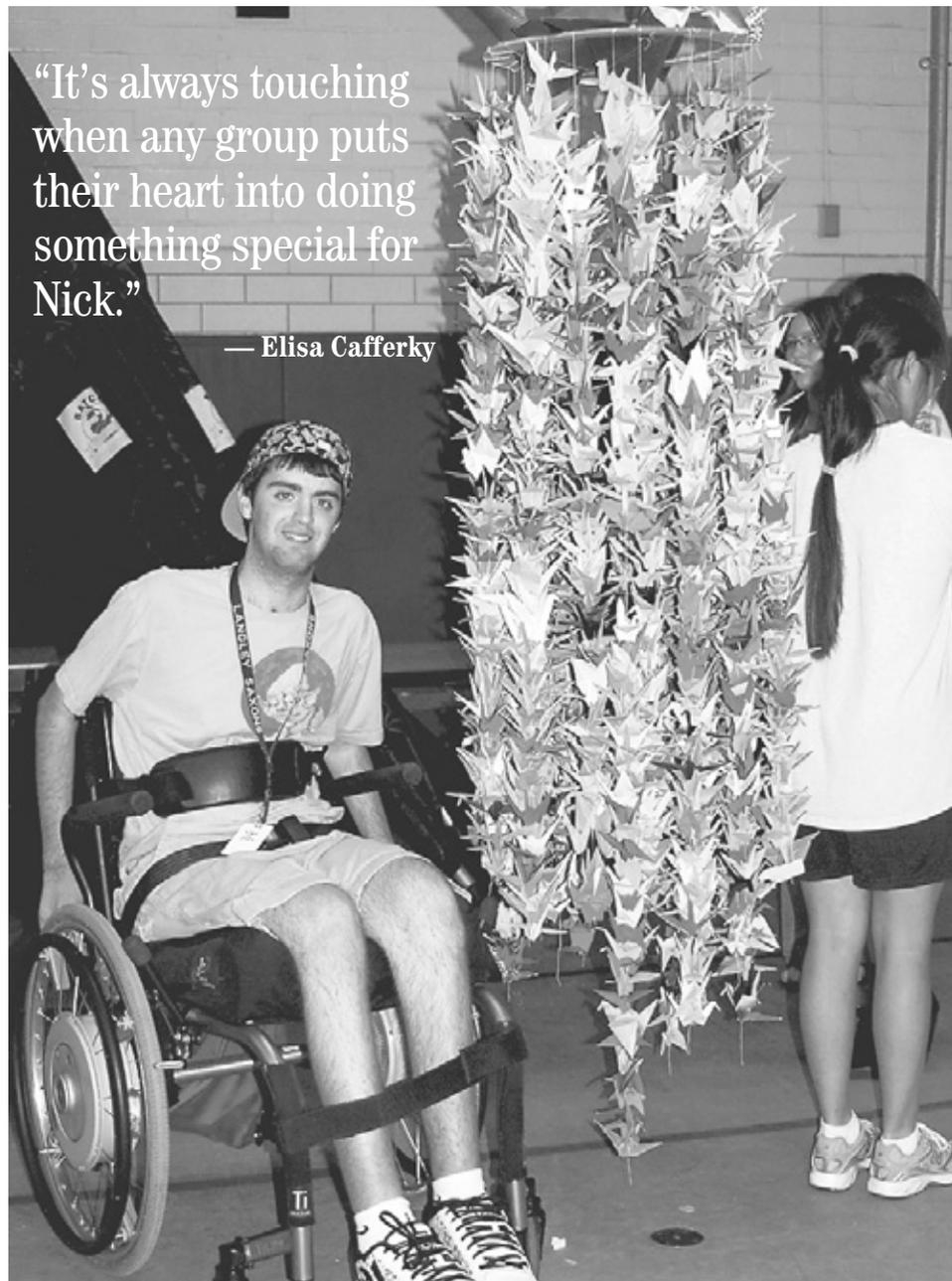


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"It's always touching when any group puts their heart into doing something special for Nick."

— Elisa Cafferky

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Nick Cafferky poses with the Origami cranes students from Langley High School made for him. A Japanese legend says folding 1,000 cranes grants a wish for peace and good health.

Wishing Well, Japanese Way

Great Falls students fold cranes representing best wishes for injured teen.

BY MATTHEW SWIFT
THE CONNECTION

Last November, Langley High School senior Gina Dobbs was upset and frustrated she couldn't come up with an idea to help her classmate Nick Cafferky, who was recently paralyzed in a diving accident at Dewey Beach. As she pondered ideas, a friend suggested she urge fellow students to make Origami cranes as a sign of support for Cafferky. According to a Japanese legend, cranes represent long life and peace and if one folds 1,000 then a wish will be granted. After hearing this story, Dobbs planned to get students to fold cranes as a sign that they wish for an improvement in Cafferky's health.

"It's good to do whatever you can even if it's just to bring hope," said Dobbs.

With the help of Andrew Scronce, who teaches Japanese at Langley and runs the Japanese Culture Club, students began learning how to fold Origami cranes. "Mr. Scronce seemed very supportive of the idea because we had been looking for something to do as a group that could really have more of an impact than just our regular productivity and maybe involve the whole school," said Dobbs. "Members were fairly supportive of it and Mr. Scronce was especially supportive that he bought a whole bunch of Origami paper from Japan and had it imported."

AT THE TIME students at Langley supported Cafferky in various ways by selling "Team Nick" t-shirts and holding fund-raisers, so Scronce thought it was fitting his club help out as well. "I thought it was really

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The Newcomers Board of Directors, from left: Bobbie Dewar, executive vice president; Laura DiCarlo, VP publications; Carol Kaminsky, treasurer; Victoria Weseley, past president; Joan Pifer, president; Lynn Toloczko, VP ways & means; Jennifer York, secretary; and Michelle LaBelle, VP hospitality. Missing from photo: Shannon Burwell, member-at-large.

Great Falls Newcomers Elects Board Members

Newcomers of Great Falls recently elected its new Board of Directors for the June 2008 - May 2009. The board also sent out a survey to its members this month and will be using the results to plan its programs for the coming year.

Newcomers has been a part of the Great Falls community since 1982. The organization has three purposes: To foster an atmosphere in which residents of the community can meet others and make friends; to provide social and educational activities for its members, and to provide service and donations to charitable organizations.

Newcomers runs the Baby Parade at the town's upcoming 4th of July Celebration, and also builds and runs the Great Falls Haunted House for Halloween. Newcomers also has an active presence at the Great Falls Spring Festival and supports the community's Concerts on the Green.

Newcomers activities for members include monthly luncheons, usually with

speakers, and cultural tours throughout the area. Special interest groups include Active Women/Sports, Needlework, Book Discussion, Bridge, Cookbook Cooking, Dancing, Dinner Club, Garden Club, Moms and Tots, Nature Walking, Scrapbooking, Wine Tasting, and "A Bit of Everything."

From a philanthropic perspective, Newcomers supports other non-profit organizations in the area. In recent years the club has raised funds for organizations such as Lift Me Up!, the Great Falls Volunteer Fire Department, Suited for Change, and the Embry Rucker Shelter. Most recently the club raised nearly \$16,000 for the Women's Center in Vienna.

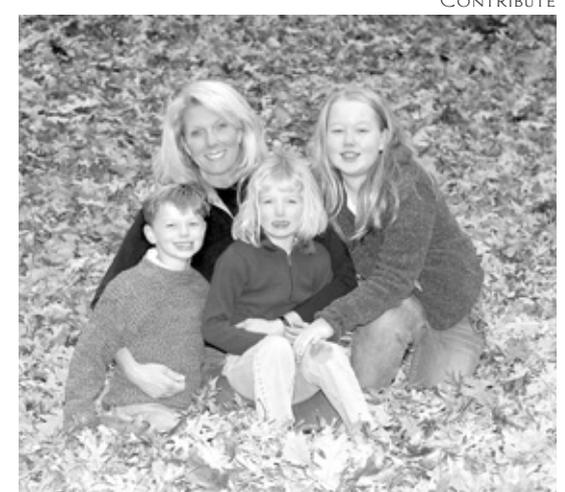
Newcomers encourages individuals who are new to Great Falls and long-standing residents to become members. For more information about joining Newcomers, contact Laura, Newcomers membership chair, at 703-421-1135 or visit www.greatfallsnewcomers.com.

Great Falls Resident Named Marketing Director of the Year

Cynthia Herberg, director of marketing for Winchester Homes, the Bethesda-based homebuilding company, has been named 2007 "Marketing Director of the Year" by the Washington Metropolitan Sales and Marketing Council. The Major Achievement in Marketing Excellence Award (MAME Award) was presented for outstanding executive leadership, strategic brand communications and award-winning marketing efforts throughout the Maryland and Virginia homebuilding industry.

The awards gala was held on Thursday, May 22 at the Ritz Carlton, Tysons Corner.

In her position as director of marketing for Winchester Homes, Herberg is responsible for all marketing, advertising and public relations efforts for the Weyerhaeuser-owned company. She is also responsible for all marketing efforts on behalf of Camberley Homes, the luxury homebuilding division of Winchester Homes.



Cynthia Herberg and her children, from left, Ryan and Reece, 7, and Regan, 9.

A Seattle native, Herberg and her three children live in Great Falls and are active in lacrosse, softball, soccer and scouting. Her children attend Great Falls Elementary. A graduate of the University of Washington, she also holds an MBA from St. Mary's College in Northern California.

NEWS

Citizens' Concerns Addressed

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Cooper Middle School from disruption due to activity associated with the staging area. The contractors and VDOT agreed to several concessions requested by Howell, Vanderhye and Foust — according to the press release issued by Vanderhye's office.

"The purpose of the site will primarily be as a command and control center," said Vanderhye. "VDOT vehicles will enter and leave the area via the Beltway exit ramp, not through Balls Hill Road."

The Balls Hill entrance to the site will only be used by a dozen or so managers and clerical staff who will work in trailers on the site, according to Steve Titunik of VDOT.

THE LOCAL OFFICIALS are also requesting that lighting and evening activities be designed and controlled so that they do not adversely affect the quality of life of the residents in the neighboring homes.

Fluor/Transurban also agreed to construct an eight foot high wooden privacy fence set back at least 80 feet from Georgetown Pike and 60 feet from Balls Hill Road. The original design called for the site to be surrounded by a shorter chain link fence.

"Once the fence has been erected, VDOT will begin reforestation around the perimeter," said Vanderhye, who inspected the site with VDOT officials after the June 5 meeting.

Efforts to find an alternative location for the staging area were unsuccessful. Titunik explained that VDOT's policy is to use property it owns within existing rights-of-way.

SUPERVISOR Foust's office has scheduled a meeting for representatives of the school, affected neighborhoods, and the McLean Citizens Association to meet with VDOT and Fluor/Transurban to discuss development and use of the site. The meeting will take place on June 20 at 9 a.m. at the Dranesville Governmental Center Community Room.

"Senator Howell, Delegate Vanderhye and I will continue working with the HOT lanes partners to mitigate the impact of this location as a staging area for the HOT lanes project," said Foust.

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The Fairfax County Park Authority is holding a Public Input Meeting to gather public comment on the draft master plan revision for Colvin Run Mill Historic Site, located at 10017 Colvin Run Road, in Great Falls. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 24, 2008, from 7 to 8:30 p.m., in the Colvin Run Mill Historic Site Barn.

Colvin Run Mill Historic Site is a 38-acre historic site in the Dranesville District owned by the Fairfax County Park Authority. Since acquiring the original parcel in 1965 the Park Authority has restored the buildings and operates the site as a living history museum. The master plan revision seeks to provide a balance between protection and interpretation of cultural resources. The master plan revision addresses several issues identified by the public and will also incorporate additional parcels added to the park since the original master plan was approved in 1973.

The meeting will feature a presentation about the site's current conditions, uses, and changes proposed by the draft master plan revision. Following the presentation, the meeting will continue with a moderated comment session to provide input on the draft plan.

The proposed plan is available for review on the Park Authority website at:
<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/plandev/colvinrunmill.htm> or from the Fairfax County Park Authority at the Herrity Building, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Suite 406.

Interested individuals and organizations are urged to attend or have a representative attend this public meeting to present their views. If you would like to speak at the public input meeting or would like more information, please call Judy Pedersen, Public Information Officer for the Park Authority at 703-324-8662 or via email at parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov. For persons with hearing impairments, sign language interpreter services are available upon request. Please call (703) 324-8563 or (703) 324-3988 TTY at least ten days before the meeting.

Comments on the plan will be received by the Park Authority for 30 days after the meeting. The public comment period will close on Friday, July 25, 2008. All comments must be received by this date in order to be included in the official public record. Comments will be accepted at the meeting or can be emailed to parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov. Written comments should be directed to Andy Galusha, Project Manager, Planning & Development Division, Fairfax County Park Authority, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Suite 406, Fairfax, VA 22035. After all comments have been considered the plan will be presented to the Park Authority Board for final approval.

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OPINION

Why Didn't You Vote?

Tuesday, June 10 was a primary election day for all voters in Northern Virginia. Less than 6 percent of registered voters turned out at the polls to make some very important decisions.

With primaries in all three congressional districts here, a tiny number of voters trickled into polling places to make their choices.

But during the last presidential election, more than 70 percent of voters statewide turned out to vote. If anything, the election coming in November is likely to bring out even more voters.

Not only the presidential race, but also the statewide Senate race and the three local congressional races will attract voters.

Virginia officials would be wise to try to move more local elections, including General Assembly contests, so they coincide with national election, encouraging more voter turnout. Currently, Virginians face some election every November, and they often vote with their feet — by staying home.

What's more, the Board of Elections should

'Green' Illusion

To the Editor:
Let me see in I understand the new concept of "green" from the perspective of our food stores, like our beloved Safeway. They expect us to buy all those new products that are labeled "organic" or have new pastel green labels, and to purchase reusable green shopping bags, with the objective of protecting the environment, enhancing our health, and reducing our personal "carbon footprint." Yet, they are supporting the downsizing of product packaging to conceal price increases, with the result being an increase of up to 25 percent in the number of bottles and containers requiring disposal or recycling. Half-gallon ice cream containers are going down from 1.75 quarts to 1.5 quarts. Gallons of milk are becoming 3 quarts. Peanut butter, detergent, coffee, juice, and all other products are being downsized to increase profits at a measurable cost to the environment. Food chains like Safeway enable this process of "greening," and customers seem to support the illusion. Have I missed something?

GENE PHILLIP
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The Connection welcomes views on any public issue. The deadline for all material is noon Friday. Letters must be signed. Include home address and home and business numbers. Letters are routinely edited for libel, grammar, good taste and factual errors. Send to:

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mail sample ballots to all registered voters in the weeks before an election, allowing each voter to see what will appear on his or her ballot and confirming the date and polling place. As a state, we'd be far better off with more participation.

Help with Community and Newcomers Guides

What would someone new to your town need to know? What interesting places would you like to have learned about earlier?

A bevy of interns and Connection staff members are already working on the Connection's annual Newcomers and Community Guides, which will publish between the end of July and the beginning of August, depending on the community.

We invite citizens and organizations to send us suggestions, calendar listings for major events for the upcoming year, information on how to get involved in nonprofits and charities, details about your club or other organization, and anything else you can think of.

We also invite readers to write short pieces about why you love your community, or one special place you'd like newcomers to know about, or any other suggestion you have for a newcomer to your community.

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SNAPSHOT



In Wake Of Summer, Thunderstorms Batter Area

The arrival of the summer has been marked by severe thunderstorms battering the area: Last Monday — while repair crew still struggled to connect power lines disrupted by previous storm — Northern Virginia was hit by another display of nature's fury. Fallen tree-damaged cars parked along Beverly Drive in McLean; power lines blocked Gallows Road; strong winds, pouring rain ... it must be summer time in area.



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PEOPLE

Cranes Fly to Japan

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perfect, I thought it was great," said Scronce about the project. "So we got the paper together and we advertised to the school and decided that we were going to try to convince the school that in two weeks we were going to fold 1,000 paper cranes." When the project finished, 1,200 cranes were collected as students exceeded expectations in their show of support. After they were collected, members of the club strung the cranes together and hung them in the front office as a symbol of their well-wishes. "It was really neat that [the cranes] were there," said Scronce. "It was the one thing that was a constant reminder to students and staff that was there in the office about how everybody felt."

"It's always touching when any group puts their heart into doing something special for Nick," said Nick's mother Elisa. "But the crane project was really fun because I had been up to the school a couple of times and had seen what they were doing, but it was a total surprise to Nick." Her son had not yet returned to school when the project was completed.

The cranes remained in the office until recently and will be transported to Japan by a group of sixth grade students in the Japanese Immersion Program from Great Falls Elementary School. The students will

bring the cranes to Hiroshima where they will hang them on the Children's Peace Monument in Peace Memorial Park.

THE MONUMENT, a statue of a young girl holding a golden crane, is based on the story of Sadako Sasaki who was diagnosed with leukemia after the atomic bombing of the city during World War II. Sasaki folded 1,000 cranes in accordance with the Japanese tradition that she could wish for good health just as the students at Langley wish the same for Cafferky. People from all over the world come to the monument to hang their own cranes and Meggan Abboud, who organized the trip, is pleased the young students have this opportunity. "The young kids feel honored to be able to follow through with something the high school kids did for Nick," said Abboud whose daughter Olivia will be teaching fellow students to make more cranes add to the 1,200. "The minute they heard the Langley kids had made the cranes, the younger kids immediately wanted to deliver them." Olivia, along with her classmates, will be wearing "Team Nick" shirts when they hang the cranes on the statue on June 29. "I think it's really special because we're all tied into Nick," said Olivia. "I'm really excited and I'm happy that I got the chance to do this because not a lot of people get a chance to help one of their friends out."



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Graduates Face 'Changing World'

FROM PAGE 3

CLENDANIEL CONGRATULATED the class on its volleyball team making it to the AAA state finals, its field hockey team being ranked number-one in the Washington Post for most of the last season, its wrestling team competing in its seventh consecutive Liberty District finals and its lacrosse team having "finally defeated the evil empire of W.T. Woodson."

As they left home and school, Clendaniel encouraged the graduates to stay generous. "Share your wealth," he said. "Or, for a short time, your parents' wealth." He also urged them to share their lives with their parents, to play fair, never to cut corners and to develop their own core values.

The survival of the country, he said, would depend on their generation's actions. He said he trusted the students to make good decisions. "In fact, 128 of you called me and told me you would have made a better decision last Thursday when we didn't have power.

"You've made the last four years of my life special. Thank you," he concluded, to a standing ovation. "I promised myself that wouldn't happen, and I'm really mad that it did," Clendaniel quipped in response.

However, another standing ovation followed momentarily, when he presented the Principal's Award to Nick Cafferky, the graduate who had been paralyzed in a beach accident shortly before the school year began and around whom the school had rallied throughout the year.

The Faculty Award was given to Ryan Davenport.

In her student address, class Vice President Ashley Hart congratulated her classmates on the creation of backpack-free Fridays, which she said "proved to the other classes that we are awesome." Also, Hart said, "Our ability to rally around others will surely help us in the future."

Student Government Association representative Sasha Amini, introducing the ceremony's keynote speaker, said he had considered using the opportunity to say something "totally inappropriate and rebellious" but had discarded the idea on the grounds that he only had eight friends to back him up.

The keynote speaker was Marriott International executive vice president and former ABC 7 news anchor Kathleen Matthews, and Amini complimented her on what he called her best reporting, and Amini complimented her on what he called her best reporting, her announcement of the first of five consecutive snow days during the class's seventh-grade year. "For a good part of all our lives, Ms. Matthews has been there to tell us about the world around us," said Amini, noting that she would now tell the graduates about the world that awaited

"You've made the last four years of my life special. Thank you."

— Retiring Principal Bill Clendaniel

More than 480 students graduated during Langley High School's Class of 2008 graduation ceremony on June 12 at the DAR Constitution Hall.

them.

Matthews congratulated the graduates, saying she understood them to be an exceptional class even for one of the country's top-ranked high schools. She noted that the "fantastic" orchestra was the largest in the state and that the class included a record number of students accepted to the University of Virginia (UVA), one of whom had been accepted as a Jefferson scholar.

THE CLASS'S CHALLENGE, she said, would be to "remain agile in a shifting landscape." She pointed out that in 10 years, the world's population would jump by 1 billion, New York would be the only U.S. city among the 20 largest cities in the world, and three-fourths of the world's oil would go to Asia. "That is totally going to change your world," said Matthews.

However, she said, core values can remain constant in a changing world, and she encouraged the graduates to anchor themselves with honesty, humility and a sense of purpose.

She urged them to challenge themselves and to travel overseas. "Find friends who aren't like your friends at Langley," she said. She told them to be generous, saying, "every time you help somebody, you help yourself as well." And her final piece of advice



Langley High School principal William Clendaniel presents graduating senior, Nick Cafferky, with the Principal's Award.

to the graduates was to find work they enjoy. "If you live your life out of a sense of obligation — 'Well, I have to do it' — then

you're a slave," she said.

Matthews concluded, "Good luck, safe travel, and most of all, have fun."

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COMMUNITY

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Arc of Northern Virginia offers respite care at their **Kidz Clubhouse in Great Falls**. They offer after-school, evening or weekend care. Respite care is available for children of all ages with disabilities and their siblings. Rates are \$15 per hour from 8 a.m.-11 p.m., \$7 per hour from 11 p.m.-8 a.m. and \$5 per hour for siblings, with no charge for overnight care. Call 703-438-8370, fax-703-438-8371, or visit www.kidzclubhouse.org.

The McLean branch of the **American Association of University Women** will collect used books on **Saturdays, June 21, July 12 and 26** for upcoming sales, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Suntrust Bank, 515 Maple Ave. E, Vienna. Gently used books, CDs, tapes and software are accepted, children's books are especially needed. No records or textbooks are accepted. Call 703-448-9195 or visit www.mcleanaauw.org.

Vinson Hall Treasure Shop. Vinson Hall Military Retirement Community operates its Treasure Shop in the building at 6251 Old Dominion Drive, McLean. Anyone may come to shop Monday-Friday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Look at glassware, dishes, pictures, kitchen items and jewelry. Additional hours are the second Saturday of the month. Call 703-970-3722.

BULLETIN BOARD

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WEDNESDAY / JUNE 18

The Governing Board of the McLean Community Center will hold its regular monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Center. All meetings of the Governing Board are open to the public. MCC is located at 1234 Ingleside Avenue. Members of the public who wish to speak during the "Citizen Comment" portion of the meeting are asked to call 703-790-0123/TTY: 711, to be placed on the agenda. For more information on the Center's programs visit: www.mcleancenter.org

FRIDAY/JUNE 20

VTRCC FREE Monthly Brown Bag University: "How to Use LinkedIn to Supercharge your Business." Presenter: Tobin Seven, The Insurance Exchange, Inc. 12 noon-1p.m., Fairfax County Economic Development Authority, 8300 Boone Blvd., Suite 450, Vienna, VA 22182. Contact the Chamber Office for details, 703-281-1333 or log on to www.vtrcc.org.

MONDAY / JUNE 23

Professionals Appreciation Week will be celebrated in the Forum at the Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, with a reception at 8:30 a.m. followed by a proclamation by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors at 9 a.m. Open to the public. Speakers include Chairman Gerald Connolly, Supervisor Catherine Hudgins, and Assistant Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Resources Heidi Dix. For more information, contact Robert Eiffert at 703-324-2544.

TUESDAY/JUNE 24

VTRCC Monthly Mixer. Food Sponsor: Plaka Grill. Location: The Business Bank in Vienna, 133 Maple Ave., SE, Vienna. 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Contact the Chamber Office, 703-281-1333 or log on to www.vtrcc.org.

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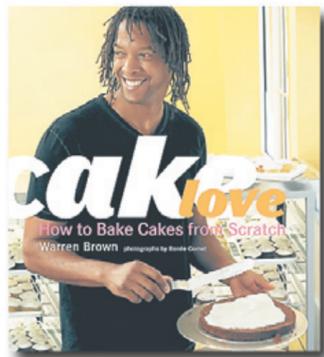
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ON THE MENU



Warren Brown will be available to sign his new book "CakeLove: How to Bake Cakes from Scratch."

Strawberry Shortcake, New German Chocolate, and Carrot Cake are just a few of the decadent desserts scheduled to be showcased when renowned chef Warren Brown, owner of nationally acclaimed Washington, D.C. bakery, CakeLove, celebrates the opening of his newest store in Tysons Corner.

California Tortilla, a quick-casual Mexican restaurant with burritos, quesadillas and fresh salads, celebrated the opening of its first store in Oakton last Thursday, June 12.

With his second California Tortilla, Muse is an expert on the menu. "The Crunchy BBQ Ranch Burrito is my favorite," he said.

Muse was born in Miami, Fla., and has been in the Washington, D.C. area since 1979. He graduated from Towson University with a marketing degree.

California Tortilla is located at 2930 Chain Bridge Rd. #104 in Oakton. For more information, call 301-545-0035 or visit www.californiatortilla.com.

CALENDAR

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

Sparky's Flaw. Theresa AndersonAlex Mejias. Pop/rock. Show 7 p.m., tickets \$10. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna, 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

James Taylor and his Band of Legends. 8 p.m. at the Filene Center, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna, 877-WOLFTRAP. Tickets are \$75/orchestra, \$75/boxes, \$68/loge, \$30/lawn.

'AN AMERICAN IN PARIS.' A Great Falls-based School of Theatrical Dance (SOTD) brings "An American in Paris" — a collage of ballet, jazz, modern and tap dance choreographed by Theresa D'Alessandro, Kris Beery, Carol Hallman, and Caitlin Hoffman — to the Alden Theatre in McLean Community Center. 6:30 p.m. For more information about the performance, Summer Dance Camps and SOTD Studio, call 703-759-5652 or visit www.TheatricalDance.com

THURSDAY, JUNE 19

Unknown Hinson, Fools and Horses. Psychobilly/rock/punk. Show 8:30 p.m., tickets \$12. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna, 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

RAIN: The Beatles Experience. 8 p.m. at the Filene Center, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna, 877-WOLFTRAP. Tickets are \$40/in-house, \$22/lawn.

FRIDAY, JUNE 20

Nitehawks Swing Band. 6:30 p.m., Vienna Town Green, 144 Maple Ave. E., 703-255-6360

Luke Brindley with Special Guests. Acoustic rock. Show 7:30 p.m., tickets \$12. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna, 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

Bandazian, The War Within. Rock. Show 10 p.m., tickets \$10. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna, 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

H.M.S. Pinafore, the New York Gilbert & Sullivan Players. 8 p.m. at the Filene Center, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna, 877-WOLFTRAP. Tickets are \$8 to \$48.

SATURDAY/JUNE 21

Dulcie Taylor. Singer, songwriter and multi-instrumentalist performs roots, rock and blues style songs. 6 to 8 p.m. at Palladium Civic Green, 1445 Laughlin Ave., McLean. Call (703) 288-9505.

Colonial Wheat Harvest. Watch the colonial farm family and their neighbors carefully cut the grain, then join them to bind and stack the crop. At the colonial farm house, lend a hand churning butter, and learn how the farm wife bakes fresh wheat bread. 1-4 p.m. The Claude Moore Colonial Farm, 6310 Georgetown Pike, McLean. Regular admission: \$3 adults; \$2 children and senior citizens. Complimentary admission with Claude Moore Colonial Farm membership. Free parking. Weather permitting.

Perennials in the Garden at Meadowlark Botanical Gardens, 10:30 a.m. Cost: Free. Details: Join Chief Horticulturist Doris Rodriguez in a walk through the gardens to view a variety of perennials that perform well in the Mid-Atlantic region. Maintenance requirement, plant combinations and availability will be covered. Contact: 703-255-3631 Email: meadowlark@nvrpa.org

Three international artists - Vladimira Klumpar (Czech Republic), Afro Celotto (Italy) and Tone Orvik (Norway) - exhibit at Habatat Galleries, 8020 Towers Crescent Dr., Tysons Corner, June 21-Aug. 9

Yap Improv Comedy Troup. Show 2 p.m., tickets \$10 per adult and \$5 per child. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna, 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

Matt Wertz, Thad Cockrell, Pop/rock. Show 8 p.m., tickets \$15. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna, 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

The Gondoliers, the New York Gilbert & Sullivan Players. 8 p.m. at the Filene Center, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna, 877-WOLFTRAP. Tickets are \$8 to \$48

SUNDAY, JUNE 22

Mozart at St. John's. Church choir will sing



Artwork by Vladimira Klumpar, Afro Celotto and Tone Orvik - left to right - will be on exhibit at Habatat Galleries, 8020 Towers Crescent Dr., Tysons Corner, June 21-Aug. 9.

Mozart's Missa Brevis in C Major Spaur-Messe - KV 258 during the morning services of Holy Eucharist at 9 and 11:15 a.m. Teri Lazar and Vicki Yanics, violins; Adam Gonzalez, cello; Christian Hinkle, trumpet; John Wulff, organ; and Alfred Hoskins, timpani. Vocal soloists: Kara Morgan, soprano; Amy Sullivan, alto; Devin Wulff, tenor; and Robert Palian, bass.

St. John's Church is located at 6715 Georgetown Pike in McLean. Call 703-356-4902, or visit www.stjohnsmclean.org.

Emmylou Harris, signing only, "All I Intended To Be", 1 p.m. at Borders - Tysons Corner, (703) 556-7766.

Kingsley Winter Band, original rock & roll. 6:30 p.m., Vienna Town Green, 144 Maple Ave. E., 703-255-6360

Summer Concerts on The Green. Tom Principato - King of Blues. Great Falls Village Centre, 6-8 p.m. Free.

Adam Swink, Sophia Bass. Pop/rock. Show 7:30 p.m., tickets \$10. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna, 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

Emmylou Harris w/ Jimmy Gaudreau and Moondi Klein. 8 p.m. at the Filene Center, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna, 877-WOLFTRAP. Tickets are \$40/in-house, \$22/lawn.

MONDAY, JUNE 23

Peter McCory: One Man Band. 2 p.m., Vienna Town Green, 144 Maple Ave. E., 703-255-6360

Open Mic, Hosted by David Cotton. Show 7 p.m. Free. To sign up, email David Cotton. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna, 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

Animals on the Green. The Leesburg Animal Park will present "Zoo to You" Learning Safari, 2 p.m. at the Vienna Town Green. The program is free of charge; bring a lawn chair or blanket for seating. 703-255-6360 or visit www.viennava.gov.

TUESDAY, JUNE 24

George Benson. A tribute to Nat King Cole. 8 p.m. at the Filene Center, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna, 877-WOLFTRAP. Tickets are \$42/in-house, \$22/lawn.

Making Up With Mom: Why Mothers and Daughters Disagree About Kids, Careers and Casseroles (and What to do About It). Deborah Carr, a sociology professor at Rutgers University, and freelance journalist Julie Halperny discuss their new book at Borders Bookstore, Tysons Corner, 8027, Leesburg Pike. 7:30 p.m. For further information, call 703-556-7766.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25

Cas Haley and Woodbelly, Jah Roots. Reggae. Show 8 p.m., tickets \$12. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna, 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

Ricky Scaggs and Bruce Hornsby. 8 p.m. at the Filene Center, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna, 877-WOLFTRAP. Tickets are \$40/in-house, \$22/lawn.

THURSDAY, JUNE 26

The Temptations and The Four Tops 8 p.m. at the Filene Center, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna, 877-WOLFTRAP. Tickets are \$38/in-house, \$22/lawn.

McLean Drama Company Presents "Thousands of Years — Rome"

The McLean Drama Company's production of "Thousands of Years — Rome" by Rachael Bail, which takes a young Roman couple through various vicissitudes from the 1st Century AD to the 21st Century, premieres at the Alden Theatre June 27-29.

In the 2,000 years they meet and part, the drama explores their emotions as they are affected by the Roman battles for Britain and Spain, the Renaissance, the Unification of Italy, the Nazi occupation of Rome and the Iraq war.

Kim Curtis and Maureen Kerrigan are directing the play. Cast members are Allison Plourdes, Alexander Bastani, Jennifer Mayberry, Daveeda Shaheen, Barbara Baron, Joseph Branscomb, Sam Simon and Aaron Mahoney.

The performances are Friday and Saturday 8 p.m. and Sunday, 2 p.m. Following Sunday's matinee, there will be a performance of "Open Communication," the comedy by Katie and Alex Lewis, of McLean, which won first prize in the McLean Drama Company's 10-minute play contest.

R. Robert Griffin of Arlington won second and third prizes. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors and students, and \$10 for groups.

FRIDAY, JUNE 27

Splinters, roots rock and alternative country. 6:30 p.m., Vienna Town Green, 144 Maple Ave. E., 703-255-6360

Rent Through Sunday, 29 June, at the Filene Center, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna, 877-WOLFTRAP. Tickets \$25 to \$80.

Pierce Pettis. Acoustic. Show 7:30 p.m., tickets \$15. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna, 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

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RENT. Tony Award-winning rock musical returns to the Wolf Trap stage starring "Idol" contestants Anwar Robinson and Heinz Winckler. Friday, June 27 - Sunday, June 29 at 8 p.m. with matinee 2 p.m. performances on Saturday and Sunday. Tickets range from \$80 to \$25. 877-WOLFTRAP.

SATURDAY/JUNE 28

Marshall Maley. Well-known local percussionist and band. 6 to 8 p.m. at Palladium Civic Green, 1445 Laughlin Ave., McLean. Call (703) 288-9505.

SUNDAY/JUNE 29

Folk Jimmy and Moondi, folk duo, 6:30 p.m. at the Vienna Town Green, corner of Maple Avenue and Mill Street. Free. For more information, call 703-255-6360 or visit www.viennava.gov.

The Grandsons, WAMMIE award-winners, bring their "American music in a blender with the lid off." 4 p.m.-5 p.m. McLean Central Park Gazebo, located at the intersection of Dolley Madison Blvd. (Route 123) and Old Dominion Drive. Parking is available at the McLean Community Center.

"O Brother Brunch" featuring Dead Men's Hollow. Roots. Show 2 p.m., tickets \$8. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave., Vienna, 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

Summer Concerts on The Green. Daryl Davis - Hits of the 1950s. Great Falls Village Centre, 6-8 p.m. Free.

Luke Brindley, Anthony Fiacco, Shane Hines, Todd Wright. Acoustic. Show 7 p.m., tickets \$10.

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MONDAY, JUNE 30

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Vaudeville show, children's stage, 12 p.m.

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SCHOOLS

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The Safe Community Coalition will honor members of its Youth Advisory Council which is comprised of students from Langley High School, McLean High School, and The Potomac School who serve as leaders and peer role models in the community. These students acted as facilitators at the 2008 Teen Summit and the Middle School Forum where they shared their experiences, wisdom, and energy as volunteers at community events.

Teen Summit provides a forum in which high school students from local public and private schools share common concerns and problems they face and brainstorm solutions to those issues. SCC Youth Advisory Council students are trained to facilitate discussions and to report their findings to members of the community and the press. The findings are the basis of a blueprint for the SCC, schools, families and teens while continuing to address such issues as academic stress and pressure, alcohol and drug abuse, mental and physical health, safe social alternatives, and internet and technology safety. This year's summit was held on Feb. 5 at the Gannett/USA TODAY headquarters.

The following students will be presented with Safe Community Coalition Certificates of Excellence:

LANGLEY HIGH SCHOOL: Faith Adams, Libby Bish, Caitlin Cox, Grant Kuhnsman, Sohaib Malik, Laura Sandberg, Hannah Shatzen, Lindsay Shelby, Julie Welch, Lena Welch, and Parnia Zahedi.

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THE POTOMAC SCHOOL: Ora Boncore, Todd Langstaff, Anne Lenrow, Palmer Quamme, and Cate Rooney.

Muhlenberg College has announced its Dean's List for the spring 2008 semester. Students must earn a minimum of a 3.5 grade point average (4.0-scale) to attain Dean's List status.

♦ **Mary Jean Stack**, a member of the class of 2011, is a undeclared major, minor from Great Falls. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Stack and a graduate of Langley High School.

♦ **Julia Korzeniewski**, a member of the class of 2010, is a theatre major, minor from Great Falls. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Korzeniewski and a graduate of Flint Hill School.

Margaret Jane Smith of Great Falls been named to the dean's list at Ohio Wesleyan University. Smith is the daughter of William E. and Eileen Mary Smith, and a graduate of Langley High.

Cole Hatcher of Great Falls has been named to the spring 2008 dean's list at Ohio Wesleyan University in Delaware, Ohio.

Starshine Theater of Great Falls is now enrolling students for its Summer Camps in Drama, Dance and Music/Voice. Student actors, dancers and singers, ages 7 thru 18, will perform in the full-production stage show: "The Dragons of Darkmoor Book One: How Magic

Came Into the World." This original play will rehearse in Great Falls and perform onstage at The Waddell Theater, NoVa College, Sterling, in July. Every student receives a dramatic character role, as well as opportunities to perform in the dance/action and vocal/music sequences, if interested. Starshine is also offering its "Little Theater" camp for ages 3 thru 6, and its "Young Performers" camp for ages 5 thru 9. Teen Actor/Mentor positions for ages 15 through college are available; these counselors assist at rehearsals and also enjoy a dramatic role in the play. Contact Patricia Budwig: 703-790-9050 or StarshineTheater@aol.com

Madeline Gunter, daughter of David and Pattie Gunter of Great Falls, has been awarded a Summer Science Collaborative Research Grant at Hamilton College, Clinton, N.Y. Gunter, a graduate of Langley High School, is assisting Professor Todd Rayne on a project titled "Determining the influence of surface water on Clinton municipal wells."

Elizabeth Sharkey, a 2008 graduate of Langley High School and the daughter of Mike and Pat Sharkey of Great Falls, has been awarded a Best Buy Scholarship. Sharkey will be attending Ohio State University.

Great Falls United Methodist Preschool has a few openings in its 4-year-old, Pre-K classes for the 2008-09 school year. The curriculum includes all of the benchmarks for social, emotional, cognitive, and physical development. It is located at 10100 Georgetown Pike in Great Falls. Visit the Web site at www.gfump.org or contact Carolyn See, director or Anne Marie Barletta, Assistant at 703-759-2432.

Kimberly Brokaw of Great Falls Earns Her Veterinary Degree

Kimberly Brokaw of Great Falls was among 89 students who received their Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Degree during recent graduation ceremonies honoring the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine's Class of 2008. This brings the total number of veterinarians graduated from the college to 2,109.

In addition, more than 5,000 bachelor's degree, master's degree and Ph.D. candidates, along with their families and friends, attended the university-wide ceremony presided by Virginia Tech President Charles W. Steger on May 9.

The Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine is a two-state, three-campus professional school operated by the land-grant universities of Virginia Tech in Blacksburg and the University of Maryland at College Park. Its flagship facilities, based at Vir-



Kimberly Brokaw

ginia Tech, include the Veterinary Teaching Hospital, which treats more than 40,000 animals annually. Other campuses include the Marion duPont Scott Equine Medical Center in Leesburg, and the Avrum Gudelsky Veterinary Center at College Park, home of the Center for Government and Corporate Veterinary Medicine.

Summer Sunday Concerts in the Park



All concerts will be held in the gazebo at McLean Central Park. The park is located at the intersection of Dolley Madison Blvd. (Route 123) and Old Dominion Drive. Parking is available at the Center. These hour-long concerts will be held on Sundays at 4 p.m.

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NEWS

Club Plans New Events

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going on, the Optimist Club did their part to help young people by holding a raffle that raised \$12,000 for Kidz Clubhouse, a local organization that helps children with disabilities, and held a 5K run to raise funds for Nick Cafferky. "It was a huge success," said Joe Cassella, co-owner of Elite Fitness Concepts, who sponsored the run.

ANOTHER GOAL of the festival was to bring the community together in a positive and fun atmosphere. "We had so much fun doing [the festival] because it did involve the whole community," said member Joda Coolidge. "For our first year it was absolutely a home run."

"We made it into a whole community event," said Festival Chair Candace Campbell of the event held May 4 on the Village Green. "We had the non-profits and the businesses and it was really a nice community day and we got a lot of positive feedback."

The Optimist Club plans to be involved in the upcoming Fall Festival,



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The Optimist Club raised \$12,000 for Kidz Clubhouse through a raffle at the Spring Festival.

where Smith and members of his studio raise money for the club by taking professional photographs of children in their Halloween costumes. The club is also looking into holding an oratorical contest, a junior golf tournament, and another barn dance in addition to the numerous other chari-

table contributions they make to Great Falls.

"The people that are active and stay in this club long-term are just the nicest people you would ever want to meet ... over the years you really make some great friendships with them," said Smith about members of the club.

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NEWS

Six Steps to Friendly Trails

Great Falls Trailblazers produce a Handbook 2008.



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BY ELEANOR WECK,
 MARY CASSIDY ANGER
 AND ROBIN RENTSCH
 FOR GREAT FALLS CONNECTION

Eleanor Weck, President of Great Falls Trailblazers

Trails in Great Falls are not exactly what we would like them to be. There are pieces of trails here and there, but many do not connect. The community has spoken, and we look forward to trails from our neighborhoods to our parklands and village center. Yet the formation of an integrated network of trails seems so far away. The Great Falls Trailblazers have heralded the cause of trails since 1999, seeking grants and easements to bring our community's wishes to fruition. The Trail Blazer's Handbook 2008 tells how everyone can do their part in making an integrated trail

system a reality in Great Falls. You and your neighbors can do your part to bring trails to Great Falls by following the six steps described in the Trail Blazer's Handbook 2008 ...

Step 1 – Research: Who owns the land that you would like the trail to cross? You can look up the tax maps and find out who holds title to the land to be a part of the trails system. The Library maps show tax map numbers. Contact County of Fairfax, Maps & Publications, Suite 156, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA

22035. Or research property ownership online at <http://icare.fairfaxcounty.gov.Main/Home.aspx>

Step 2 - Obtain Permission: Are the land owners willing to grant an easement to allow individuals to cross their property? Are they willing to let only certain types of uses: horseback riding, hiking, bicycling, pedestrians? If they are concerned about safety, do they know that by Virginia Law, there is no liability for property owners who give permission to others to walk or ride horses or bicycles on their property (Virginia Code 29.1-509). To make a trail permanent, property owners can grant an easement. The easement is recorded on the deed of the property filed with the county. Giving an easement does not reduce the size of your property. If the property owner wishes to claim a tax credit, the value of the property must be assessed. If a Federal grant is obtained, the easement will be purchased, although the property owner still owns the land.

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Faith and Public Policy Breakfast. Lewinsville Presbyterian Church Chapel (Corner of Chain Bridge Road and Great Falls St., McLean) will host a discussion on Modern Slavery – What Christians Can Do To End It. The speakers will be Bethany Hoang, Director of the International Justice Mission Institute, named as “activist changing their world through faith” and Kevin Bales, Ph.D., President and Co-Founder of Free the Slaves and Economist, author of *Dis-*

posable People: New Slavery in the Global Economy. Saturday, June 21, 2008, 8:30 – 10:15 a.m. Everyone is invited for this free continental breakfast. Tell neighbors and friends. Contact the church, 703-356-7200, or Phil Church for details, 703-534-9729, email pchurch@devtechsys.com

St. John's Episcopal Church choir will sing Mozart's *Missa Brevis* in C Major Spaur-Messe - KV 258 during the morning services of Holy Eucharist on Sunday, June 22, at 9 and 11:15 a.m. The Mass will be accompanied by Teri Lazar and Vicki Yanics, violins; Adam Gonzalez, cello; Christian Hinkle, trumpet; John Wulff, organ; and Alfred

Hoskins, timpani. Vocal soloists include Kara Morgan, soprano; Amy Sullivan, alto; Devin Wulff, tenor; and Robert Palian, bass.

St. John's Church is located in McLean at 6715 Georgetown Pike. For more information, please call 703-356-4902, or visit www.stjohnsmclean.org.

Ash Grove Farm 1900, Dedication & House Blessing Service. Reverend Richard O. Green Sr. Officiating, Sunday June 22, 4 p.m. Reception immediately following. J. Henry Borgus House, Ash Grove Farm, 8934 Leesburg Pike, Vienna, Virginia 22182. R.S.V.P. by June 19, 703-714-7337 or 703-635-6485.

Handbook On Trails

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Step 3 - Design/Map Out the Trail: As you work with the permissions granted by neighboring property owners, certain impediments might be raised. If a property owner feels that their privacy will be violated by the trail, the Great Falls Trail Blazers can plant native plants along the trail to screen the house from the trail. If people are concerned with safety, you can explain that thieves shy away from places where there is activity. If the property is along a main road, attractive barriers can be built according to VDOT standards. A safe trail for the users may require that the trail zig zag, so as to avoid a sharp decline due to a steep hill. The optimum trail might not run along the side of the road in certain places.

Step 4 - Clear the Trail: Trails should only be cleared with the landowner's permission (see step 2). Members of Trail Blazers, along with professional landscapers who volunteer their time and tools, can construct natural surface trails when and where requested. (Note: When a trail is close to an elementary school, hard surface is required.)

Step 5 - Enjoy the Trail: The Great Falls Trail System is meant to be people friendly. Our trails are meant to accommodate all-terrain strollers, mountain bikes, and even all-terrain wheelchairs.

Step 6 - Care for and Maintain Our Trails: Natural surface and stone dust trails require mowing twice each year. Sometimes tree limbs need to be pruned. The property owner or HOA usually mows or trims. Great Falls Trail Blazers is happy to assist with ongoing maintenance of our community trail system.

Eleanor Weck is president and Mary Cassidy Anger is vice president of Great Falls Trailblazers, and Robin Rentsch is a board member.

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Ready to Conquer Mt. Fuji

FROM PAGE 4

Thirty years ago, in the Peace Corps, he climbed Mount Kenya, which is about 17,000 feet high, and he said his only concern on the Mount Fuji climb was how well he would adjust to the thin air. "The difference between [age] 28 and 58 is pretty big," he said. Johnson said the climbers would take the hike slowly to give their bodies time to adjust to the lower oxygen levels and avoid altitude sickness. Still, she said she looked toward the climb with apprehension. "I've never been to a camping store before, and I had to go for this trip," she said. "All of this is so not me." She noted that she had to go on the climb in order for her daughter, Carleigh, to be able to go, and she "didn't want to be the one parent who said no."

Johnson said Carleigh was unfazed by the idea of the climb and thought her mother was "freaking out for no reason." "With age comes wisdom," quipped Johnson, but she added that her daughter, who plays soccer, would probably not have much trouble.

AS A PRECAUTION, however, Carleigh Johnson said she had been working out on the treadmill and had joined the YMCA.

"There's a lot of middle-aged and out-of-shape people who have done it, so I think we'll be OK," said Waldorf. He said he was looking forward to the hike.

His daughter, Jamie, said she had been hiking and climbing in Great Falls Park to prepare herself. Abboud said her and Johnson's program was more rigorous than that, with 6 a.m. outdoor sessions four hours a week that emphasized strength training and cardiovascular exercise. While the early hour kept the weather relatively cool, she said, "It's still buggy. It's horrible. I don't like this exercise thing. I really don't."

Her daughter, Olivia, said she was a little nervous about whether or not she would make it. When Johnson assured that they would all be fine, Olivia responded tentatively, "Yeah. Hopefully."

"She's in great shape," Abboud said of her daughter, noting that she plays soccer and also dances four days a week.

Waldorf said the children were eagerly anticipating not only the Mount Fuji climb but the entire trip. "They've been talking and studying about Japan for six years and this is their chance to go there and see it firsthand," he said. During their two-week stay, the sixth-graders and their parents will also visit the National Diet of Japan, Hiroshima Memorial Peace Park, a Tokyo Giants baseball game and their sister school, Kake Elementary. The trip will include a two-day home-stay with Japanese families.

After months of training, Johnson said she and Abboud were able to anticipate the Mount Fuji climb without dread. "We're not living in fear anymore," she said.



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Helen Schubert, Barbara Rohde, Lorraine Arora, Diane Bird, Pat Doyle and Dave King. Derek Carpenter in front.

Time To Build a Home

BY SUSANNA TISA
THE CONNECTION

Real estate market news is not very inspirational as of late, with more stories about people losing their homes than getting into their first one. Thanks to Habitat for Humanity and the efforts of local Realtors, homeownership is finally becoming a reality for some families. Representatives from different realty firms across the region recently spent a day together, swinging hammers and raising walls on a new house in Middleburg that will soon become home to the Barnett family.

Helen Schubert is marketing director at Dominion Title in Great Falls, after spending a few years with builder Ryan Homes. She has been involved with planning and sponsorship events for Loudoun Habitat for Humanity and decided to organize the group of Realtors to participate in a construction day. "It is the American Dream to own a home. If I can volunteer some of my time to make that happen for these amazing families, it is completely worth it," said Schubert. This is Schubert's second time working on site.

Loudoun Habitat for Humanity is building affordable, simple "green" homes for those in need. The organization is completing work on the last two homes in a subdivision in the village of St. Louis, just west of Middleburg. One hundred percent volunteer construction teams work every Friday and Saturday, regardless of weather conditions. Homes are built in less than six months, and most of the materials are donated.

The "green" element of Habitat homes was important to Diane Bird of Long & Foster in Reston, because she cares about the environment. "I have earned the EcoBroker Certified designation, having completed a training program on energy and environ-

Realtors support Habitat for Humanity with sweat equity.

ment issues that affect real estate transactions," said Bird. "I am joining other professionals who are pushing towards energy-efficient, sustainable and healthier features in homes. By educating buyers and sellers about their choices, I can help them make better decisions."

THE BARNETTS are a family of five, soon to be six with a baby on the way, and they are thrilled to have been chosen for House #4 in the Habitat subdivision of St. Louis village. Once they move into their new home, Joseph and Nadina Barnett will both be much closer to work. This gives them back precious time, lowers their costs, and allows them to become an integral part of the Loudoun County community.

From the Barnett's first contact with Loudoun Habitat, the family demonstrated good faith in doing whatever was needed to secure their partnership. Nathan, 5, Caleb 3, Zoe, 1 and new baby will grow up and go to school close to home. "We very much would like to partner with Habitat because we are invested in the companies where we work, and we like Loudoun County schools," wrote Barnett in his application for a home.

Schubert described Habitat's approach to identifying homeowner partners. "The families that Habitat helps have survived many challenges throughout their lives. They work hard with Habitat to build their home and set up their future for success and happiness," said Schubert. "With our help, they are making a life change for the better."

REAL ESTATE professionals are normally a competitive bunch, but on construc-

tion day only teamwork was in evidence. In addition to Diane Bird, Pat Doyle and Dave King of Long & Foster in Reston showed up to lend a hand. King said, "I have always wanted to volunteer with Habitat for Humanity. After helping with this project, I can understand why helping others can be addictive. I'm sure the family that gets this home will enjoy it and truly be part of the American dream of homeownership."

Reston broker Lorraine Arora of Coldwell Banker has always volunteered at her sons' school and her church, to set an example for her teenagers about giving back to the community. "It is very easy to appease your conscience and write a check," said Arora. "But with the society that we live in, where time is at a premium, giving of your time is what counts. It is very therapeutic and gratifying to know that you are helping a less fortunate family."

Derek Carpenter of Re/Max in Fairfax City had been looking for a volunteer activity that would be complemented by his industry experience. "I've wanted to 'give back' and be part of programs that help to better the lives of deserving people," said Carpenter. "That's what I do with my full-time work, but it's nice to give my time and energy without expecting anything in return. The Habitat opportunity has spring-boarded me into action and is one I expect to continue."

Barbara Rohde is a top producing Realtor with Long & Foster in Great Falls. During the last 25 years, she has built and renovated multiple homes. Working with Habitat is a great fit with her desire to leverage her skills. "I participate in Habitat projects to assist others in realizing their dreams of home ownership," said Rohde. All the real estate professionals who took part in the construction day agreed that building a Habitat home was one of their most satisfying volunteer experiences.

Summer Swim: Everybody Into the Pool

The CSL and NVSL kicks off their 2008 swim season.

BY RICH SANDERS
THE CONNECTION

There is lots of excitement for this Saturday's NVSL opening season dual meet between Div. 1 opponents Chesterbrook and Overlee of Arlington. Both teams have been Div. 1 powers over the years, with Chesterbrook winning division titles in 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004 and Overlee grabbing the crown the past two summers. The friendly rivals will meet at 9 a.m. this Saturday at Chesterbrook.

"It's a very interesting, storied rivalry," said Chesterbrook team representative Mike Moriarty, a former NVSL swimmer for High Point (Falls Church) during the 1960's and 70's. "It's a good way to kick off the season. There are a lot of [the swimmers] who go to the same winter clubs and schools."

Chesterbrook is coached by Joe Viola, who is in his first year at the helm of the summer team program. He has been a Chesterbrook assistant coach in recent years and is head coach at Gonzaga High during the school year.

Chesterbrook had a little bit of a down season in 2007 and will be looking to make an early swim season statement when it hosts Overlee this weekend.

"There is an unusually high level of excitement for the season opener," said Moriarty, who can hardly wait for the early season swimming showdown.

Fox Mill Woods team rep Jane Leeds said practices for the Div. 4 Reston squad began the Tuesday following Memorial Day weekend. She said some team members were not able to come out to the first several practices because of other commitments, including end of the year school activities or class work. But with Fox Mill Woods' season-opening dual meet at High Point set for this Saturday morning at 9, more and more of the team's swimmers have been at practices and there is a sense of great anticipation.

"I think they're really looking forward to it," said Leeds, of Saturday's competition at High Point. "[Monday] was our very first morning practice."

Fox Mill Woods is under the guidance of head coach Paris Jacobs. The coach emphasizes the importance of enjoying the sport to her swimmers. Her assistant coaches and the adult team reps have that same mindset.

"We try to keep our team focused on fun and fitness, and not just winning," said Leeds. "We have a very young group of kids [this season] and we try to make it fun."

Along with the awesome swimming that Fox Mill Woods fans will witness when their team is competing in home meets this summer, they will also enjoy morning treats at the popular concession stand. Nancy Robbins and Lisa Arthur have a reputation for preparing some great treats for spectators, coaches



Chesterbrook 8-under swimmers take a break and enjoy the action at last Saturday's annual 'Red Black' pre-season trials meet. The Chesterbrook club will host Overlee this Saturday morning.



A CSL swimmer shows off her dolphin body art at the 2007 Relay Carnival at Sugarland Run.



CSL swimmers dive into the pool at the 2007 Relay Carnival.



Oakton Swim & Raquet club fans cheer on their team during the 2007 CSL Individual All Star meet.

2007 Division Champs

Northern Virginia Swim League

Division 1
Team Record Points
Overlee 5-0 2014.00

Division 2
Team Record Points
Little Rocky Run 5-0 1757.00

Division 3
Team Record Points
Lee-Graham 5-0 1803.00

Division 4
Team Record Points
Fox Mill Woods 3-2 1414.00

Division 5
Team Record Points
High Point Pool 5-0 1432.00

Division 6
Team Record Points
Dunn Loring 5-0 1448.00

Division 7
Team Record Points
Mansion House 5-0 1581.00

Division 8
Team Record Points
Villa Aquatic 5-0 1398.50

Division 9
Team Record Points
Hollin Meadows 5-0 1402.50

Division 10
Team Record Points
Forest Hollow 5-0 1296.00

Division 11
Team Record Points
Fox Hunt 5-0 1406.00

Division 12
Team Record Points
Rolling Forest 4-1 1309.50

Division 13
Team Record Points
Camelot 5-0 1241.00

Division 14
Team Record Points
Rutherford 5-0 1277.00

Division 15
Team Record Points
Long Branch 5-0 1308.00

Division 16
Team Record Points
Lincolnia Park 4-1 1332.00

Division 17
Team Record Points
Laurel Hill 5-0 1460.0

Colonial Swim League

Red Division
Team Record Points
Burke Centre 5-0 1653.00

White Division
Team Record Points
Chan. Highlands 5-0 1505.00

Blue Division
Team Record Points
Barrington 5-0 1387.00

Gold Division
Team Record Points
Fort Meyer 5-0 1558.00

NVSL and CSL: 2008 Important Dates

Colonial Swim League
First Dual Meet of the Year:
Saturday, June 21, 2008, 8 a.m.
Relay Carnival
Sunday, July 13, 2008, 1 p.m.
Divisionals
Saturday, July 26, 2008, 1 p.m.
All Stars
Saturday, August 2, 2008, 8 a.m.

Northern Virginia Swim League
Divisional Relays
Wednesday, July 13, 2008, 4 p.m.
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It's All Relative



By **KENNETH B. LOURIE**

As the years have passed, so too have many of my relatives. And as the numbers of those surviving relatives have dwindled, the few who remain have taken on added significance. In my family the few who remain (what I really mean to say are the ones with whom we've stayed in touch) couldn't possibly have taken on more importance than they already had, but they have. I refer to my first cousins, my mother's deceased, older sister's (my Auntie Lee's) children, specifically my cousin Rona (my mother's niece), her husband Gil, and their two daughters, Susan and Jayne (and on this most recent visit, Susan's daughter, Jessica, as well).

For the second time in five months (previously, in December, Ronnie and Gil, alone, had been in Washington to celebrate my mother's 85th birthday), my cousins drove down from Cape Cod (Pembroke, actually), Ma., 450 miles, eight hours approximately, stayed one night in a hotel and left the following morning at the ungodly hour of 4:45 a.m. no less, in an attempt to avoid I95 N traffic. (Talk about walking the walk, they drove the drive.)

My mother (Ronnie's Auntie Cee, short for Celia), is Ronnie's deceased mother's only surviving sibling; there had been two brothers, Al and Frank, both of whom had died years before, before even my Auntie Lee had died. The family was always close, first in Massachusetts where they all grew up — and lived most of their lives — and then in Florida where Lee and her family first moved, and then a few years later after my father turned 70, my parents joined them to spend their retirement years together, and out of the cold. And there, for 14 years, until my parents moved to Maryland to be near their children, the relationship between Lee and Al (her second husband); her daughter, Rona (and her husband, Gil) and Marty (Rona's brother, my mother's nephew) and Rona and Marty's children, became exceptionally close, beyond even the closeness that had existed while they were all living in Massachusetts (where for a while, in the old days, they had all lived together in my maternal grandparents' house in Dorchester). And it was in Florida where the surviving members of the Blacker/Lourie family found strength in their dwindling numbers.

And in the six years or so since my parents moved to Maryland (most of those years Rona and Gil still lived in Florida until a few years ago when the hurricanes hitting South Florida convinced them to head north to be with their children), the effort made by my cousins to stay connected to my parents and most recently, after my father's death, to my mother, with frequent calls, occasional cards, letters and photographs and twice yearly visits (at a minimum), sometimes for a weekend, other times for only a day/night, are the stuff of which memories — and legends — are most definitely made.

My cousins have not only gone the extra mile, they've gone the extra thousands of miles, figuratively and of course, literally. If there was a non-military-type medal of honor given for actions above and beyond the call of familial duty, my cousins, Ronnie and Gil, and their two daughters, Susan and Jayne (both of whom have made nearly as many trips here as their parents have) would be most deserving recipients.

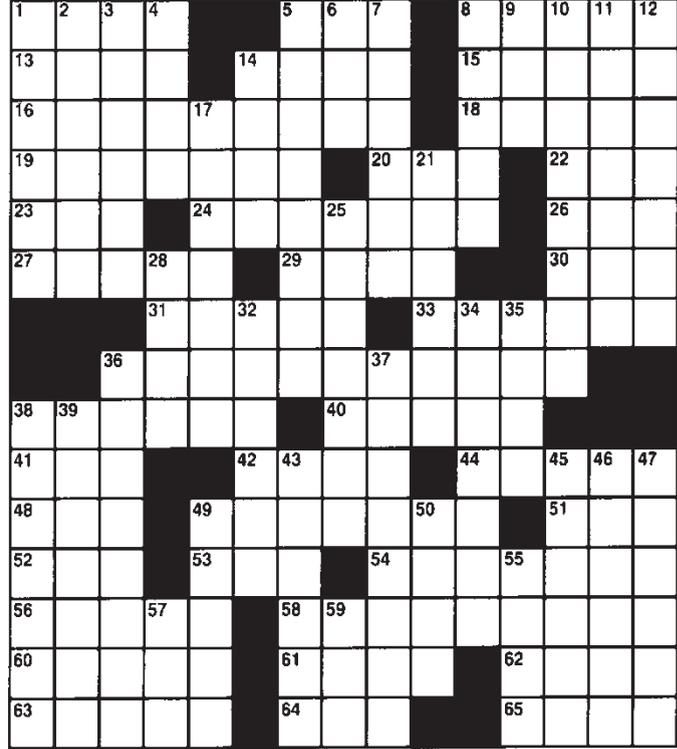
I'm sure there are many other equally deserving recipients out there, and to those of you who are fortunate enough to be the beneficiaries of such non-random acts of extraordinary kindness and respect from your relatives, you know how I feel: extremely lucky. However, this column was not written to imply that we/they are unique in any way, it was written more so to express our gratitude and appreciation to our cousins, Ronnie and Gil (and their children and grandchildren) and to say how proud we all are to be members of the same family. You all have made a difference in my parents' lives — and continue to do so — and for that we are eternally grateful.

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Small coin
 - 5 Racing car product
 - 8 Some Iranians
 - 13 Part of a chorus
 - 14 Word with strings or horns
 - 15 "Do I — you?" (line from "GoodFellas")
 - 16 *Beechcraft Baron or Cessna 310*
 - 18 Clobber
 - 19 Atomic energy source
 - 20 More, musically
 - 22 Sellout
 - 23 Bond accrual: Abbr.
 - 24 Division
 - 26 Modern prefix with friendly
 - 27 See 32-Down
 - 29 Mischievous
 - 30 Kind of boot
 - 31 Take off the rolls
 - 33 Outfielder's throw, maybe
 - 36 Bygone era, which will help answer the five italicized clues
 - 40 Without a break
 - 41 Granary grain
 - 42 — scale
 - 44 Monthly bill
 - 48 Invention, so to speak
 - 49 Woodworker?
 - 51 New Deal prog.
 - 52 Audible warning
 - 53 Suffix with theatrical
 - 54 Ones taking orders
 - 56 Moderate brown
 - 58 *Philip Roth protagonist*
 - 60 More literal
 - 61 Protection: Var.
 - 62 Book of Artaxerxes
 - 63 50's political name
 - 64 It may be Red, White . . . and blue
 - 65 Forks in the road
- DOWN**
- 1 Connoption
 - 2 Weather whipping boy
 - 3 Outlawed blasts
 - 4 Wool weights
 - 5 Carry away, in a way
 - 6 Short —
 - 7 Eye
 - 8 On the fritz
 - 9 Ralph's "The Avengers" co-star, 1998
 - 10 Acts impatiently
 - 11 *Chicken legs*
 - 12 Make sure
 - 14 Fruit used for preserves
 - 17 Noted family of Italian sculptors
 - 21 Con
 - 25 *Edwardian wit who wrote "The Happy Hypocrite"*
 - 28 Quinine, for malaria
 - 32 Place where 27-Across is sung
 - 34 Undissembling
 - 35 Counter offer?
 - 36 Fade gradually
 - 37 Badges
 - 38 1950's TV variety show sponsor
 - 39 *Salon fixtures*
 - 43 African antelopes
 - 45 Nicely sun-tanned
 - 46 Poe poem
 - 47 None too challenging courses
 - 49 Echelons
 - 50 Young 'uns
 - 55 All hands
 - 57 Class competition
 - 59 Sensitive subject, to some

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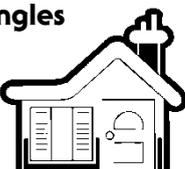
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TRUSTEE'S SALE
OF VALUABLE
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Improved by the premises known as
 3816 Steppes Court, #B, Falls Church, Virginia

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Abdelouahad Gharife and Zineb Gaoui, dated April 17, 2006, and recorded April 18, 2006, in Deed Book 18381 at page 1723 among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia, the undersigned substitute trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front entrance of the Judicial Center for Fairfax County, at 4110 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, Virginia, on

Tuesday, July 1, 2008
At 11:34 a.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time

the following property being the property contained in said Deed

of Trust, described as follows:
 Unit 3816-B, STEPPES OF BARCROFT CONDOMINIUM
 Tax Map No. 061-4-32-3816B

Commonly known as 3816 Steppes Court, #B, Falls Church, Virginia 22041.

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of \$25,000.00 or ten percent (10%) of the sale price, whichever amount is less, in the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser at the time and place of sale; the balance of the purchase money being due and payable within fifteen (15) days after sale, time expressly being of the essence, with interest at the rate of 6.25 percent per annum from date of sale to date of settlement. Provided, however, that if the holder of the secured promissory note is the successful bidder at the sale, no cash deposit shall be required, and part of or the entire indebtedness, including interest and costs, secured by the Deed of Trust, may be set off against the purchase price.

Any defaulting purchaser shall forfeit the deposit and stand the risk and cost of resale.

Sale shall be made subject to all existing easements and restrictive covenants as the same may lawfully affect the real estate. Sale is further subject to mechanic's and/or materialman's liens of record and not of record. The property will be sold subject to all conditions, covenants, restrictions, rights of redemption of federal lienholders or encumbrances, and agreements of record affecting the same, if any.

In the event the undersigned trustee is unable to convey to the purchaser good title, then purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy shall be in the refund of the deposit paid at the time of sale.

The subject property and all improvements thereon will be sold in "as is" condition without warranty of any kind. Purchaser shall be responsible for any and all building and/or zoning code violations whether of record or not of record, as well as for all unpaid and enforceable homeowners' or condominium owners' association dues and assessments, if any. Purchaser also shall be responsible for obtaining possession of the property at

his/her expense. Purchaser shall assume the risk of loss and shall be responsible for any damage, vandalism, theft, destruction, or the like, of or to the property occurring after the time of sale. Conveyance will be by special warranty deed. Conveyancing, recording, transfer taxes, notary fees, examination of title, state stamps, and all other costs of conveyance are to be at the expense of purchaser. State and local taxes, public charges, and special or regular assessments, if any, shall be adjusted to the date of sale and thereafter shall be assumed by the purchaser.

The undersigned trustee unconditionally reserves the right: (i) to waive the deposit requirement; (ii) to approve or disapprove the creditworthiness of any bidder and/or purchaser; (iii) to withdraw the property from sale at any time prior to termination of the bidding; (iv) to extend the time for bidding; (v) to reject any or all bids; (vi) to postpone or set over the date or time of sale; and (vii) to extend the period of time for settlement hereunder.

Additional terms and conditions of sale may be announced at the time of sale.

DAVID N. PRENSKY
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TRUSTEE'S SALE
OF VALUABLE
IMPROVED REAL ESTATE

Improved by the premises known as
 814 Leigh Mill Road, Great Falls, Virginia

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Fahraneh S. Sohrabian, also known as Farzaneh S. Hashemi and Shawn Sohrabian, dated February 23, 2006, and recorded March 1, 2006, in Deed Book 18249 at page 934 among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia, the undersigned substitute trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front entrance of the Judicial Center for Fairfax County, at 4110 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, Virginia, on

Tuesday, July 1, 2008
At 11:36 a.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time

the following property being the property contained in said Deed

of Trust, described as follows:
 Unit 3816-B, STEPPES OF BARCROFT CONDOMINIUM
 Tax Map No. 061-4-32-3816B

Commonly known as 814 Leigh Mill Road, Great Falls, Virginia 22066.

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of \$300,000.00 or ten percent (10%) of the sale price, whichever amount is less, in the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser at the time and place of sale; the balance of the purchase money being due and payable within fifteen (15) days after sale, time expressly being of the essence, with interest at the rate of 9.75 percent per annum from date of sale to date of settlement. Provided, however, that if the holder of the secured promissory note is the successful bidder at the sale, no cash deposit shall be required, and part of or the entire indebtedness, including interest and costs, secured by the Deed of Trust, may be set off against the purchase price.

Any defaulting purchaser shall forfeit the deposit and stand the risk and cost of resale.

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