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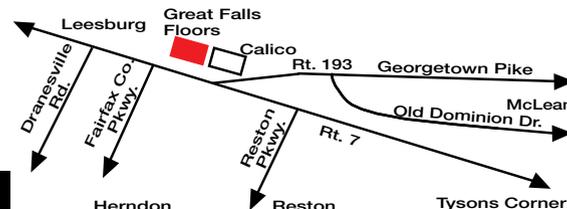
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Farmers Market Relocates

On Saturday market closed on old location; on Monday new location was found.

BY MATTHEW SWIFT
THE CONNECTION

On Saturday, June 28 the Great Falls Farmers market was suspending its operation while organizers looked for a new location, but by the end of the day on Monday, June 30 that location has been found.

The market will now be held in the parking lot in the Great Falls Village Centre every Saturday from 8 a.m. until noon beginning July 12. What could have been a lengthy search turned out to be a blessing in disguise since the market will be held in a more central location with more parking than its previous location at St. Francis Episcopal Church off Georgetown Pike where it was initially successful, but organizers did not feel it was reaching its full potential. "Not as many people were going, it was diminishing crowds," said organizer Robb Watters. "We thought a more centralized location would make it easier."

"If you're right on the main thoroughfare I think you're going to have a better chance of creating a more popular event," said Mike Kearney, owner of The Old Brogue, who likes that the market has a hometown feel.

Watters credits Kearney with securing the new location, in the parking lot next to the Wachovia Bank, for the market. "Mike



Wes Lanham of Quail Creek Farm, greets customers browsing his variety of fresh baked goods for sale at the opening day of the Great Falls Farmers' Market in May.

Kearney really was the impetus in getting this done," said Watters about Kearney running the market through the Great Falls Charitable Foundation. "He did such a great job and the community really owes him a debt." "I'm just happy to help out," said Kearney who believes traffic going to area stores will stop at the market when they see it from the road. "Hopefully we can continue the success that they started and I'm just very happy that they started it."

The new location offers market-goers a chance to visit the various shops and businesses in the Village Centre. More foot traffic through the area may lead to more business for the local shops and restaurants after people have made purchases at the market. "It also helps the shopkeepers because

it will draw more people to the stores," said Watters. "I think it's a win-win for the Great Falls business community and a great win for Great Falls as a whole."

The market will retain its original vendors that started with the market in May as well as adding some new ones. Fresh fruit, meat, vegetables, breads, and other items will continue to be available at the market. The Neighbors Network and Opus Arts will have stands open offering original art and information for the community.

The Great Falls Farmers Market is open every Saturday beginning July 12 from 8 a.m. -12 p.m. and will run through November 1. The market is located in the parking lot next to the Wachovia Bank in the Village Centre off Walker Road.



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From left, Bruce Glendening, Northern Virginia district manager for the Potomac Appalachian Trail Club; Paul Elliott of the Sierra Club and the Appalachian Mountain Club; Bill Niedringhaus, president of the Potomac Heritage Trail Association; and Randy Kerr of the Mid-Atlantic Off Road Enthusiasts (MORE). Behind them is the Potomac Heritage Trail.

Blazing The Way

Potomac Heritage Trailfest highlights Potomac Heritage Trail.

About a dozen trail-oriented groups converged on Riverbend Park Saturday, June 28, for Potomac Heritage Trailfest, an event designed to raise awareness of the Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail and the activities it makes possible.

"We try to align all the user groups," said Karen Niedringhaus of the Great Falls Trailblazers, noting that the event had drawn horseback riders, paddlers, hikers and bikers.

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To learn more about the Potomac Heritage Trail, visit www.potomactrail.org.

The trail was designated by Congress about 25 years ago and is to run from the mouth of the Potomac River to Pittsburgh, with about 60 miles of trail in Fairfax County. There are currently two gaps in the trail within the county — one at Fort Belvoir and one around The Madeira School. The possibility of extending the trail behind Madeira is currently the

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Rescuers Receive Community Boost

Great Falls Fire Station thanks community, Newcomers Club for new vehicle.

The Great Falls Fire Department was the evening's big winner at a casino night staged by the Great Falls Newcomers Club in early 2007. The station now has a new 2008 Ford Explorer, thanks in part to the \$14,000 raised at the event.

While the casino night proceeds covered almost half the cost of the vehicle, the rest was donated by the community during the station's fund drive last fall. The truck will be used to tow one of the station's swiftwater rescue boats, a job formerly performed by a much smaller Jeep Wrangler.

Jerry Smith, the Great Falls Volunteer Fire Department president, said the Wrangler had been unable to carry more than two people when loaded with gear. It will now be used for miscellaneous errands and as a



From left, Fire Chief Frank Smith, Dranesville Supervisor John Foust, past president of the Great Falls Newcomers Club Donna Mastran, Station Commander Mark Feaster and Volunteer President Jerry Smith stand with the 2008 Ford Explorer purchased with money raised by the community.

backup vehicle.

Station representatives, as well as Dranesville Supervisor John Foust, met Saturday afternoon with Donna Mastran, who was the Newcomers Club president at the time of the fund-raiser, to thank the club

and the community for their support.

The Great Falls and Gunston fire stations are the county's only two swiftwater rescue stations, due to their locations along the Potomac River.

— MIKE DICICCO



PHOTO BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE/THE CONNECTION

This Great Falls house on Georgetown Pike was sold for less than its assessed value during an auction June 22.

Home on the Auction Block

Estate assessed at \$1.8 million sells for \$700,000 less.

BY MIKE DICICCO
AND JULIA O'DONOGHUE
THE CONNECTION

By all accounts, Ali and Shanaz Alavi bought their new home at 9011 Georgetown Pike in Great Falls for a bargain basement price.

The couple, already Great Falls residents, purchased the five-bedroom home sitting on five acres of gated woodland for \$1.1 million. For tax purposes, Fairfax County values the property at \$1.8 million and estimates that the land alone is worth \$971,000.

The property owner, Jennifer Lynne Ridley, had been trying to sell the house for just under \$2 million for the past 18 months. With no success through traditional channels, Ridley, whose husband died in 2005, decided to put the house up for auction June 22, with the bidding starting at \$750,000.

Even with initial bidding starting so low, auctioneer Azzie Kahn had expected the house to draw a higher selling price.

"That is incredible. We were expecting much more than that. This home, ladies and gentlemen, is going to make some family very happy, especially at that price," said Kahn, before calling the property for the

Alavis. Bidding on the home lasted approximately eight minutes.

AFFLUENT AREAS like Great Falls, McLean and Vienna are thought to be more isolated from afflictions like foreclosures, short sales and house auctions brought on by a downturn in the real estate market.

Great Falls and McLean were two of the only ZIP codes in Fairfax County to see an increase in real estate assessments this year, indicating that home sales actually continued to climb in these areas during 2007. Of the 15 homes sold near Ridley's in 2007, 14 attracted a final offer sale price of over \$1 million, according to county records.

"There is a certain insulation in that price range," said Lilian Jorgenson, a McLean real estate agent with Long & Foster that specializes in high-end real estate. "People who have the money, they want to be in a certain place, and they'll pay for it."

Jorgenson, who has sold 24 homes in the last 60 days, said several houses in McLean, are still attracting multiple offers and moving off the market within a few days.

Realtor Sepideh Farivar had a successful open house June 29 at 909 Millwood Road. The property included a four-bedroom home and pool on over three acres, priced at \$1.69 million.

"It was a great open house today. We had eight families and a couple of them seemed really interested," said Farivar.

YET ALMOST all Realtors would admit the housing market, even in areas like Great

Falls and McLean, has slowed.

Advertisements for more than 30 homes for sale appeared along Georgetown Pike between Interstate 495 and Route 7 during the last weekend in June. Like the house sold at an auction, at least nine of the homes were located directly on Georgetown Pike.

"There are more homes in the market than there are buyers for," said Farivar, who added, a person has to be motivated to sell in this market.

Joe O'Hara, a Realtor with Washington Fine Properties, said he expects to see prices drop on many of the homes in and around Georgetown Pike.

"Most of the homes along Georgetown Pike are very expensive. There are a limited number of buyers and lots of sellers. ... Most of those homes are million plus," said O'Hara, who works in McLean and Great Falls.

Those who can afford to buy a home in Great Falls may also be looking for something different. With the rise in gas prices and utilities, many people are looking for smaller homes on smaller lot that are closer to where they work — which is why the markets in Arlington and Washington D.C. have remained fairly stable, he said.

Realtors said there is still a market for homes that are priced correctly, though most will take a long time to sell. Instead of moving within two to three days, a Great Falls home could sit on the market for two to three months, said most Realtors.

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WEEK IN GREAT FALLS

School of Arts Offers Classes

Great Falls Foundation for the Arts, Inc., known as "GFFFTA," announced the formation of the Great Falls School of Art, which will begin its first slate of classes in Great Falls the week of July 14. The first classes will be "Drawing, Simplified" and "Painting the Portrait in Oils," taught by Jill Banks, "The Eloquent Brush" taught by Tracie Griffith Tso, and "Still Life Painting in Oil" taught by Vicki Blum. The first classes will be held at GFFFTA's new location, 1144 Walker Road, Suite G, near Dante Ristorante in the Colvin Run commercial area of Great Falls. A school bulletin with detail on each class as well as a bio material on the award-winning instructors is attached.

"Our goal is a top quality art school located right here in Great Falls. We look forward to the growth of the school and many more top-notch course opportunities, beginning in the fall," said Mollie Vardell, president of GFFFTA.

Highlanders' Theatre Returns to Scotland

The McLean High School Theatre Department, under the direction of Denise Perrino, has been selected to perform in the world's largest and most prestigious arts festival in the world as part of the American High School Theatre Festival. The whole city of Edinburgh, Scotland becomes a stage and visitors view performances everywhere from playgrounds to conference rooms to city parks to churches, including over 1,800 different performances during its three-week run.

McLean High School will be attending the festival and performing in August of 2009. It was selected to represent the United States by the AHSTF Board of Advisors based on their most recent bodies of work, awards, community involvement, philosophies, and recommendations.

McLean High School drama students, parents, and teachers are involved in fundraising to finance their trip to Scotland, and special performances and activities will be available throughout the year to assist in this goal. Contributions and donations are welcome and more information is available from Perrino at denise.perrino@fcps.edu.

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This home is one of approximately 20 for sale in Great Falls that had signs along Georgetown Pike June 29.



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JULIA O'DONOGHUE/
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Market Dictates 'Correct Prices'

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FOR THOSE who can't afford to wait, an auction can be a good way to attract more interest in a home, said Maureen Connolly, the spokesperson for Real Estate Resolutions, the Dulles-based auction house that handled Ridley's auction.

"We have seen auctions kind of double in the last couple of years. ... The auction method can be a more effective and quicker way [for selling a house]," said Connolly.

The real estate market downturn has also presented opportunities for some people. Shanaz Alavi said she could not afford a home like Ridley's in a more stable real estate market.

"I have just paid my limit. This is a gift from God," said Alavi, after bidding on the home closed.

The Alavis, who were looking to move, had walked through the Georgetown Pike property earlier this month and "fell in love" with the home.

"I love the energy and the lay out," said Shanaz Alavi.



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Beth Jannery (left) placed 2nd runner-up in the Ms. America Pageant last spring. Pictured right is Mrs. America winner Lisa Schraw.

Representing Virginia

Beth Jannery of Great Falls participates in International Pageant this summer.

More Information

To contact Ms. Virginia's office to request an appearance, photo-op, fund-raiser or to become a sponsor call 860-798-2847 or email bethjannery@gmail.com.

Corporate sponsorships from \$500 to \$5,000 encouraged. A total of \$10,000 is needed for fees, gowns, hotel and airfare expenses.

For more information, visit www.galaxypageants.com or Jannery's Web site at www.bethjannery.com

Great Falls resident Beth Jannery is the new Ms. Virginia. She will compete against women representing other countries and states in the International Pageant this summer. Jannery is flying to Orlando, Fla. to rehearse and compete for a week representing the state of Virginia.

Ms. Virginia's is promoting realistic and healthy body image and weight for women and girls across the United States.

Jannery placed 2nd in the Ms. America Pageant last spring with the title of Ms. Virginia (Corporate). She is a former Ms. Connecticut America and an author of a book series titled "Simple Grace." Her third

book, "Simple Grace Daily Joys" has a release date of November 2008.

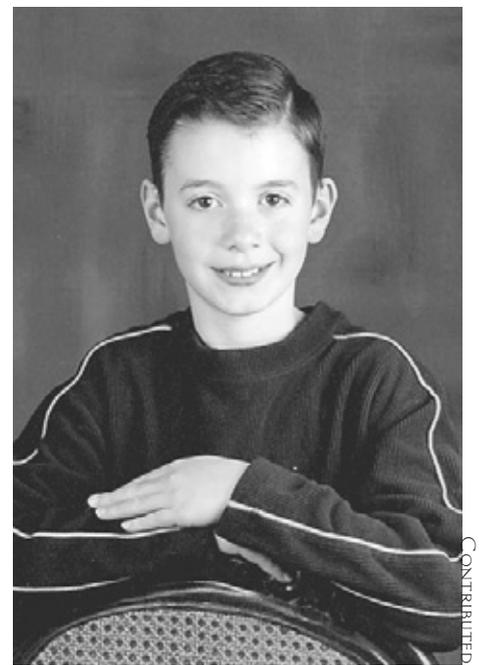
Jannery has two daughters — ages 3 and 8 — enrolled in Great Falls schools.

The competition includes interviews and fashion. She will compete in swimwear as well as evening gown. For those interested in attending the competition, the preliminaries are Friday, Aug. 2 and Finals Saturday, Aug. 3. Black tie or suits/cocktail dresses recommended. Tickets are \$150 for both nights. For more information contact the pageant director at www.galaxypageants.com

Great Falls Boy Rings Liberty Bell

On July 4th, at 2 p.m., Ryan Gottwald of Great Falls and seven other children will tap the Liberty Bell in Independence Hall in Philadelphia to initiate the "Let Freedom Ring 2008" ceremony across the nation. The Liberty Bell is tapped each 4th of July in Independence Hall by descendants of the signers of the Declaration of Independence 13 times to represent each of the 13 original colonies. The "Let Freedom Ring" ceremony kicks off a nationwide event with more than 10,000 bell-ringing institutions in participation.

This year eight children were registered by the Descendants of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence as eligible to tap the Liberty Bell. Gottwald along with seven other descendants will participate in the day-long event. He is a direct descendant of the signer, Thomas Nelson Jr., who was born in Yorktown, Va. and succeeded Thomas Jefferson as governor of Virginia in 1781. The Nelson House is also a National Park Service landmark and is park of



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Ryan Gottwald

Yorktown Battlefield in Colonial National Historical Park.

Gottwald is 10 years old and a rising 5th grader attending Colvin Run Elementary School. His brother, Will, had the opportunity to tap the bell last year.



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Ali Rumpel presents her birthday gifts to the Inova[®]Fairfax Hospital for Children's Life Services Program Director Jamie Gentili.

Great Falls Girl Feels Joy of Giving

To the Editor:

On May 3, [my daughter] Ali Rumpel celebrated turning five with her pre-school classmates and friends. Since all of Ali's birthday's leading up to her 5th birthday were celebrated with a few family members and a few presents, we decided to celebrate turning five with a bigger party — at the same time we wanted to make sure that, while we celebrated, we also incorporated a way to make this special event positively impact a group of children whose lives were hard right now. We talked to Ali about what she would do with all the gifts that she would receive^oat her party and we encouraged her to think about giving the gifts to children with cancer. At first she did what any four-year-old would say, "No way." And while that age appropriate answer was originally uttered — after asking her to take a look at all of the things she already has and having her imagine how she would feel if she were sick and how special she would feel if someone gave their

birthday gifts to her — it started to click. Finally she got behind it 100 percent and couldn't wait to give her gifts. When pre-school was over we scheduled a meeting with Jamie Gentili, a director of Inova[®]Fairfax Hospital for Children's Life Services Program. On behalf of the special friends, who brought gifts to Ali's birthday party, Ali presented the generous gifts to

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Jamie who graciously showed Ali the playroom where the children play when they feel well enough to play. She told her how wonderful it was that she was donating her gifts to the children at the hospital and that the children were going to love the gifts. As we left the hospital, my heart was full and I knew that, while Ali was young — this was a good thing to do. With a big smile, Ali turned to me and said, "Mom, I want to give my presents away every year." And she will.

Carolyn K. Rumpel
Great Falls

Hometown Celebration Marks July 4

For the Great Falls community, July 4th has traditionally been a Hometown Celebration. This Friday – the activities are planned from the 7:30 a.m. 5K Walk/Run at Freedom Memorial until fireworks at the Turner Farm at the dusk.

The morning begins with the Ecumenical Council's 7:30 a.m. 5K Walk/Run followed by the opening ceremony at the Great Falls Freedom Memorial, followed by the festivities at Great Falls Village Green: 8 a.m.-9 a.m. Newcomers' Baby Parade, an annual favorite showcasing the youngest members

of the community; 10-10:20 a.m. The Great Falls Friends present the Big Parade; 10:20 a.m.-12:30 p.m. is time reserved for the games and fun. Throughout the day, 8 a.m-2 p.m., the Great Falls Volunteer Fire Department will host the INOVA Blood Mobile collecting blood donations. For more information on participating in a blood drive send an email to donateblood@greatfallsvfd.org

The Friends of Great Falls, organizer of this year's Hometown Celebration, is planning for a big finale with fireworks at the Turner Farm at dusk.

4th of July Schedule

7:30 a.m.
5K Walk/Run – Meet at Freedom Memorial
8 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Blood Drive – Great Falls Volunteer Fire Station
8-9 a.m.
Baby Parade – Great Falls Village Green
10-10:20 a.m.
Main Parade - Great Falls Village Green
10:20 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Games & Fun - Great Falls Village Green
Dusk
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Last year, 16 horses and ponies participated in the Great Falls 4th of July Parade.

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5 K Walk/Run. Great Falls Ecumenical Churches are hosting a 5 K Walk/Run July 4th at 7:30 am. Meet at the Great Falls Freedom Memorial next to the Great Falls Library. This is a fun, no cost event, for the whole family. For more information, contact Pastor Gysan at 703-759-6068.

July 4th Picnic. Christ the King Lutheran Church in Great Falls is hosting a 7:30 p.m. picnic on July 4th. Hotdogs and beverages will be provided. Bring a dish to share, and a lawn chair. Enjoy the fireworks from the front lawn of the church. Everyone welcome. 10550 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls, VA 22066. CONTACT :Pastor Paul Gysan at paul.gysan@verizon.net.

Yard Sale. Great Falls United Methodist Church holds yard sale. Come shop or sell, Saturday, July 12, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. 10100 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls, Va. 22066 .To rent a space (\$20) or for information contact Carol Wesley Wright at carolwright@starpower.net or (703) 582-1640.

Heritage Trail Revisited

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subject of heated debate. (See related story.)

Paul Elliott of the Sierra Club and the Appalachian Mountain Club noted that, although Congress had called for the trail, the legislators "somehow thought it would come into being without any funding."

Hence, a number of outdoor groups have volunteered their time to work on the project.

Elliott said few people in the area were aware of the plan for a trail

along the length of the Potomac until the Potomac Heritage Trail Association was formed about five years ago.

The association's president, Bill Niedringhaus, estimated that some 60 to 70 miles of the trail had been built or rehabilitated in Virginia since the group's formation.

Potomac Heritage Trailfest was sponsored by outdoor gear retailer REI and the Potomac Heritage Trail Association. About 200 people turned out for the event, which included two hikes, trail maintenance work and other activities.

— MIKE DICICCO

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Benjamin Uscinski of Great Falls graduated from the University of Mary Washington on Saturday, May 10 with a B.S. degree in physics. The featured speaker was Sen. John Warner, who is serving his 30th year in the U.S. Senate.

Robert M. Graves, the son of David and Ann Graves of Great Falls, graduated from Randolph-Macon Academy on May 31. Graves is the grandson of Bertha Graves of Camden, TN, and William H. Miller, Jr. of Winchester.

While at R-MA, Graves was active on the Academy baseball team. Cadet Captain Graves was also a leader in cadre, the Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFJROTC) leadership group at the Academy. Robert was recognized with the President's Award for Academic Achievement at the end of the school year.

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." Starshine is also offering its "Little Theater" camp for ages 3 thru 6, and its "Young Performers" camp for ages 5 thru 9. Contact Patricia Budwig: 703-790-9050 or StarshineTheater@aol.com

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So why is it that during summer in the suburbs you see a steady stream of children of all ages flying up and down the rolling hills of their communities on bikes and skateboards and scooters, but often not a helmet in site?

Thousands of children and teens each year sustain a major brain injury in Virginia, and the consequences can be devastating.

Bicycling injuries account for a very large percentage of the injuries, and while wearing a bicycle helmet reduces the risk of brain injury by approximately 90 percent, according

to a Virginia survey, only half of Virginia's children between 5 and 15 always wear their helmets. Casual observation would lead one to believe helmet use is a lot lower than 50 percent.

A nationwide study found that only 24 percent of U.S. children regularly wear a helmet when riding a bike, and that passing and enforcing local ordinances requiring children to wear helmets significantly increased the rate.

EDITORIAL

Most of us have seen television reports recently about the after effects of head injuries in soldiers injured in Iraq. But if your child crashes while he or she is riding a bike or skateboard without a helmet, you could be living with the same outcome.

CDC estimates that at least 5.3 million Americans, approximately 2 percent of the U.S. population, currently need lifelong help to perform activities of daily living as a result of a head injury. The two age groups at highest risk for brain injury are children under 4 years old, and 15-to-19 year olds.

And it's good practice: Telling your 10-year-old he or she must wear might not be comfort-

Protect Their Brains

The Brain Injury Association of Virginia, www.biav.net, recommends:

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- ❖ A bicycle helmet should fit comfortably and snugly.
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- ❖ The side adjuster buckles should form a "V" directly under the ear lobe.
- ❖ Only two fingers should fit between the chin and strap.
- ❖ Helmets should be labeled as meeting the Consumer Product Safety Commission standard for bicycles.
- ❖ Replace any helmet that is more than five years old, and always replace a helmet after a crash.

able or fun at first, but it paves the way for discussions about driving safety and other risks when they're teenagers.

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Patriotism in Perspective: 1776 vs. 2008

How does today's patriotism compare with the first patriots?

BY JANE HAMPTON COOK

Independence Day celebrations are among the most tangible expressions of American pride. They take an invisible quality—patriotism—and make it visible and audible through fireworks, parades and concerts. But how does today's patriotism compare with the first patriots?

Our founders also showed their patriotism through public displays. At times, they couldn't contain their enthusiasm.

"People I am told, recognize the Resolution [of independence] as though it were a decree promulgated from Heaven," Samuel Adams wrote, adding, "Monarchy seems to be generally exploded."

Indeed, it was—literally. Before the ink dried on his gigantic signature, John Hancock sent a copy of the Declaration of Independence to George Washington, who ordered a public reading for his army camped in Manhattan. Inspired, many pulled down a statue of King George III, ignited a fire, melted his likeness and molded 42,000 mus-

ket balls. Their zeal thundered up the Hudson River and lit high heaven.

AMERICANS KNOW true patriotism is more than a show. Patriotism is something deeper. Patriotism transcends differences—regional and cultural—for the common good. When the Continental Congress first met in 1774, they had to unite against their common enemy. Procedural matters over regional differences nearly suffocated them. One member offered a remedy.

"Government is dissolved," Patrick Henry declared. If the king could abolish Massachusetts's government, he could do it anywhere.

"Where are your landmarks, your boundaries of Colonies? We are in a state of nature... The distinctions between Virginians, Pennsylvanians, New Yorkers, and New Englanders, are no more. I am not a Virginian, but an American," Henry cried.

Regional differences no longer divide Americans in the same way. Television has the power to bring images of Midwest flooding into

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every home and rally aid. But there are times when Americans must set aside their differences for the greater good. One of the most visible examples of this took place after the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, when members of Congress stood on the Capitol steps and sang "God Bless America."

Probably the most significant difference between patriotism in 1776 and 2008 is this: patriotism was essential to their survival.

"We must all hang together, or assuredly we shall all hang separately," Benjamin Franklin observed. Franklin knew what he was talking about. His patriotism was born from betrayal. Franklin was America's postmaster general when his British friends—ones he had celebrated the king's coronation with years earlier—put him through a mock trial at a London tavern in January 1774.

"Spy, traitor, would-be assassin, rebel" were among their many accusations. Only a hangman's noose was worse than their execution of verbal abuse. They accused Franklin of exposing the governor of Massachusetts's efforts to restrain colonial rights. This Philadelphian printer known for his pithy sayings

remained speechless throughout the trial. When the king fired him, Franklin returned to America. The moment forever tattooed patriotism on Franklin's heart. He turned to friends he could trust—the Continental Congress.

PATRIOTISM is not truly essential for our nation's survival today. We've built a firm infrastructure based on the U.S. Constitution, state governments, a strong economy and productive workforce. But patriotism does affect our quality of life, especially for members of the military and their families.

A June 12-15, 2008 ABC News/Washington Post Poll reported that 63 percent of those surveyed do not think the Iraq war is worth fighting. Such polls and sentiment dispirit military families and weaken patriotism. A gold star mom, who lost her son in Iraq, described the damage this way, "America is at war, but Americans are at the mall."

Jane Hampton Cook, janecook.com, is the author of "Stories of Faith and Courage from the Revolutionary War," a 365-day digest with personal writings from about 20 key players in the Revolutionary War. She is a former webmaster to President George W. Bush and resides in Vienna.

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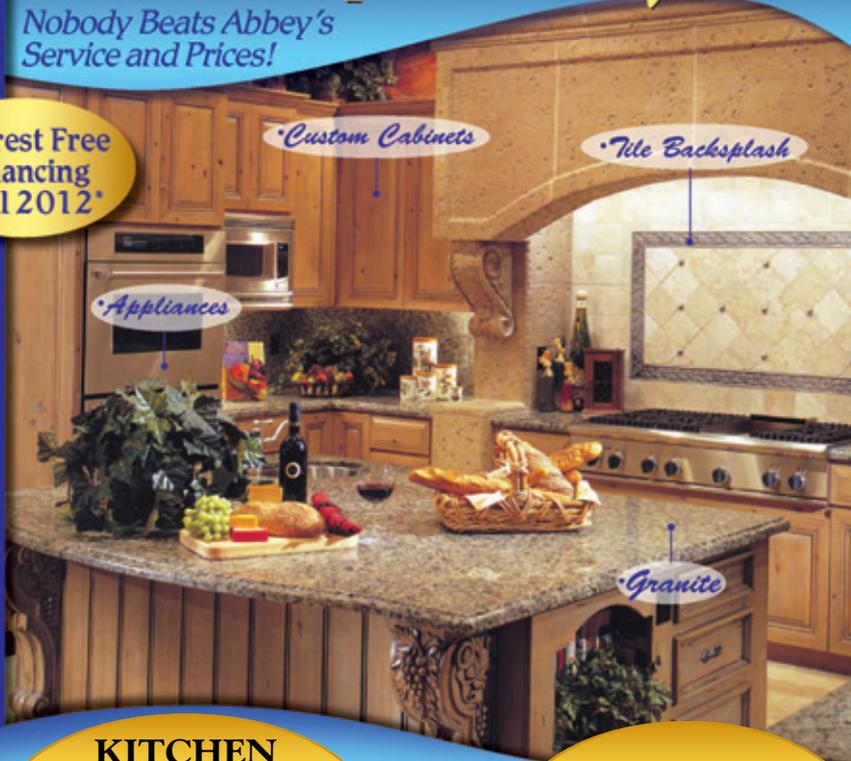
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Attracted to Opera

McLean's Lara Iglesias attends National Opera's Institute.

BY MATTHEW SWIFT
THE CONNECTION

Young people from around the U.S., Canada, and Costa Rica have settled in Washington, D.C. for four weeks to study opera music at the Opera Institute held by the Washington National Opera. People auditioned for the 22 slots available and Lara Iglesias of McLean was one of the lucky ones who is attending the program that began on June 23. The institute, held at The Catholic University of America, trains young adults who are serious in their pursuit of a career and education in music, especially opera. Iglesias, who recently graduated from McLean High School and will be studying musical theory at the University of Miami in the fall, has been singing for several years and hopes to further

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Lara Iglesias

her training at the institute. "This kind of complements your vocal studies," she said of the program.

Iglesias sang in the girls' choir at the Washington National Cathedral for four years where she began taking voice lessons and pursuing music which she wants to do as a career, but she hasn't decided what type of music she'll focus on exclusively. While in high school she played Maria in "West Side Story" and Hermia in the opera "The Fairy Queen" and said she became interested in acting through her musical performances. Her performance in "The Fairy Queen" helped her prepare for her intensive course at the Opera Institute. Five days a week teachers give students lesson in singing, drama, opera history, Italian diction and even yoga. "In the mornings we do yoga," said Iglesias. "That works on alignment and breathing."

Iglesias is studying the classic operas "The Ballad of Baby Doe" and "Gianni Schicchi" and will perform recitals in English and Italian at the end of the session. Other students study different operas and try to master their roles. Selected students will perform at the Kennedy Center Millennium Stage on



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Lara Iglesias studies opera music during her classes at the Opera Institute.

July 14. At this point Iglesias does not know whether she will be selected, but she hopes her hard work will get her on stage. "I'm learning a lot, even though it's only been a week so far," said Iglesias. "It's really fast-paced, but I feel like I'm going to be really prepared in the fall when I go to college. I have a feeling this is what college will be like." Iglesias has an interest in biology and

medical sciences, but she spends most of her time dedicated to her singing and training rigorously at the Opera Institute. Iglesias hopes more young people take notice of opera music and realize its beauty. "Teenagers really don't appreciate it," said Iglesias. "But it's really beautiful and it's a challenging thing and people make a living doing it."

CALENDAR

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 2

Lyle Lovett and his Large Band in Concert. 8 p.m. at Wolf Trap. Tickets \$42 in-house; \$25 lawn. Tickets can be purchased by calling 1 (877) WOLFTRAP; or online at www.wolftrap.org. For more information, call Wolf Trap at (703) 255-1868.

THURSDAY, JULY 3

"Latin Pop" paintings. Stacy's Coffee Parlor in Falls Church presents paintings by Puerto Rican-born artist John Gascot from, July 3 - 31. An Artist Reception will be held on Sunday, July 13, 3 - 5 p.m. The public is invited to attend. Stacy's Coffee Parlor, 709 West Broad Street, Falls Church. (703) 538-6266. Artist Website: www.gascot.com

Sin Fronteras (Mariachi). With their acoustic melodies and authentic Mexican singing, this Mariachi Band has performed in festivals, gatherings, school assemblies, parties, weddings, hotels. Free concert at Nottoway Park, 9601 Courthouse Road in Vienna. 7:30-8:30 p.m. Calls: 703-324-SHOW (7469).

FRIDAY/JULY 4

Vienna July 4th Celebration

MAIN EVENTS:
11 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. - Arts and Crafts, Food and Rides
11 a.m. - 4 p.m. - Antique and Classic Car Show
2:30 p.m. - Family Games
8 - 9 p.m. - Vienna Community Band
9:15 p.m. - Laser Light Show
MAIN STAGE:
12 noon - 4 p.m. B2B, The Jimmy Buffet Tribute Band
5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. - NIGHTWORK - Rock
CHILDREN'S STAGE:
12noon - Vaudeville Show Entertainer
1 p.m. - The Traveling Medicine Show

2 p.m. - Magic Comedy Show
3 p.m. - Mayhem's Magical Rodeo
1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Strolling Clown
Laser Light Show begins at 9:15 p.m. sharp; must be on grounds of Waters Field, facing front screen to view the projected show.
Raindate July 5 - Laser Light Show only

SATURDAY, JULY 5

Donna Summer. 8 p.m. at Wolf Trap. Tickets \$45 in-house; \$25 lawn. Tickets can be purchased by calling 1 (877) WOLFTRAP; or online at www.wolftrap.org. For more information, call Wolf Trap at (703) 255-1868.
Oblivion Sun (featuring members of Happy The Man and Iluvatar). 7 p.m. at Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave E, Vienna. \$15. Tickets can be pre-purchased online or call 703-225-1566 ext. 8.
Reggae Night with The Iternals + Andros. The I*ternals stand for One Earth; Human Rights; Peace & Love. 10 p.m. at Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave E, Vienna. \$10. Tickets can be pre-purchased online or by calling 703-225-1566 ext. 8.

SUNDAY, JULY 6

Bernstein's Candide. 8:15 p.m. at Wolf Trap. Tickets range from \$55 - \$20. Tickets can be purchased by calling 1 (877) WOLFTRAP; or online at www.wolftrap.org. For more information, call Wolf Trap at (703) 255-1868.
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Ocean Orchestra. Celtic tunes with a rock rhythm, featuring Jennifer Cutting and Lisa Moscatiello. Concerts begin at 4 p.m. in McLean Central Park. For more information, call the Center at 703-790-0123, TTY: 711, or visit our website www.mcleancenter.org.
Blacksmithing Demonstration. Watch a blacksmith in action at Colvin Run Historic Site, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Call 703-759-2771.

Girl Authority. A group of real girls with different personalities and interests coming together to sing, dance and put their own spin on girl power pop hits you know and love. The hottest musical party in town, and every girl is invited. \$10 advance/\$12 at the door. 2:30 p.m. matinee. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave E, Vienna. Tickets can be pre-purchased online or by calling 703-225-1566 ext. 8.

MONDAY, JULY 7

Little ears at the Mill. Preschoolers, ages three to six, visit the barn for a summertime story, song and craft. Four different themes are presented in July. 1-2 p.m. at Colvin Run Mill. Reservation required for groups of 10 or more children. \$4 per child, adults admitted free. Call 703-759-2771 for more information.

TUESDAY, JULY 8

Colonial Workshop: First Person Interpretation. Learn to speak and act like an 18th century American colonist led by interpreters at the Claude Moore Colonial Farm. 6-8 p.m., 6310 Georgetown Pike, McLean. \$5 fee, \$3 for members and current volunteers. Reservations required. Contact kjackson@1771.org or go to www.1771.org for more information.
Joy Lippard. A 17-year-old Great Falls girl who fast tracked her Langly High diploma graduating a year early to devote full-time to her music. 7:30 p.m. \$10. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave E, Vienna. Tickets can be pre-purchased online or by calling 703-225-1566 ext. 8.

WEDNESDAY/JULY 9

Whistle while you walk. Children, ages four to nine, tour the miller's house and try their hand at chores of yesteryear, and then make a treat. 1-2 p.m. at Colvin Run Mill. Reservation required for groups of 10 or more children. \$4 per child, adults admitted free. Call 703-759-2771 for more information.
PJtheVIKING Birthday Bash, featuring The Drugstore Cowboys and premier screening of BEACH KILL. \$10 - 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227

Maple Ave E, Vienna. Tickets can be pre-purchased online or by calling 703-225-1566 ext. 8.

THURSDAY/JULY 10

Summer Stories and Sprinklers. 1:30 p.m. Listen to stories then take a run through the sprinklers at Vienna's original one-room library, Freeman House, 131 Church Street, Vienna. Free. For more information, call 703-255-6360.
Puppet Show for Preschoolers. Kids, ages three to five, will meet Marvin the Miller and his puppet friends to learn how the mill works and how grain is ground. Afterwards they feed the hungry ducks on the millpond. 1-2 p.m. at Colvin Run Mill. Reservation required for groups of 10 or more children. \$4 per child, adults admitted free. Call 703-759-2771 for more information.
Luke Brandley (Roots/Rock). Free concert at Nottoway Park, 9601 Courthouse Road in Vienna. 7:30-8:30 p.m. Calls: 703-324-SHOW (7469).

FRIDAY/JULY 11

Celtic Music by Eire Supply. 6:30 p.m. Vienna Town Green, 144 Maple Avenue, Vienna. Free. For more information call 703-255-6360 or visit www.viennava.gov.
Independence Day Party at the Teen Center. Vienna area 6th, 7th and 8th graders are invited to the Club Phoenix Teen Center, Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street, Vienna. Movies, games and refreshments. Free. For more information call 703-255-6360 or visit www.viennava.gov.
Ice Cream making. Children, ages 5 to 10, have fun cranking and sampling ice cream. Peak in the history trunk and play games of yesteryear. 1-2 p.m. at Colvin Run Mill. Reservation required for groups of 10 or more children. \$4 per child, adults admitted free. Call 703-759-2771 for more information.
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Great Falls, McLean July 4th Celebration

5 K Walk/Run. Great Falls Ecumenical Churches are hosting a 5 K Walk/Run July 4th at 7:30 am. Meet at the Great Falls Freedom Memorial next to the Great Falls Library. This is a fun, no cost event, for the whole family. For more information, contact Pastor Gysan at 703-759-6068.

July 4th Picnic. Christ the King Lutheran Church in Great Falls is hosting a 7:30 p.m. picnic on July 4th. Hotdogs and beverages will be provided. Bring a dish to share, and a lawn chair. Enjoy the fireworks from the front lawn of the church. Everyone welcome. 10550 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls, VA 22066. CONTACT :Pastor Paul Gysan at paul.gysan@verizon.net.

The McLean Community Center's (MCC) 2008 4th of July Fireworks Celebration will feature a new fireworks display by Zambelli Fireworks International (www.zambellifireworks.com), and live performances by B2B, a Jimmy Buffet Tribute Band (www.b2bband.com), and actor Norman Aronovic. The celebration will begin at 6 p.m. on Friday, July 4, at Langley High School's athletic field, 6520 Georgetown Pike. In case of inclement weather, a rain date of Saturday, July 5, has been set. Admission and parking are free. A free shuttle bus service will be available from St. John's Episcopal Church (6715 Georgetown Pike), Cooper Middle School (977 Balls Hill Road) and from MCC, beginning at 7 p.m. A handicap-accessible bus will be available at the center.

features music of the Baroque era. The new production is directed by Eric Einhorn and conducted by Eric Melear. Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts. 8 p.m. Tickets \$28 to \$68.

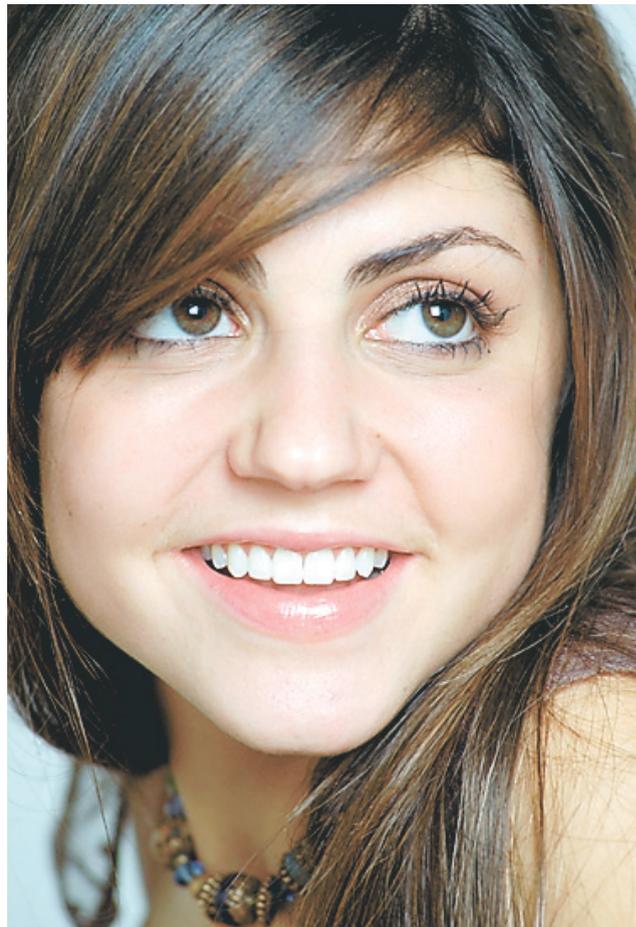
SATURDAY/JULY 12

History Camp for Kids. 12:15-4:15 p.m. Children ages 7-11 will learn about Edwardian-era manners and morals at Vienna's historic Freeman House; the 'Duke of Marlborough' will lead kids in parlor games, give elocution and singing lessons, host tea party and more. Vienna Town Green, 144 Maple Avenue, Vienna. \$25 for Vienna residents, \$31.25 for non-residents. Refreshments included. For more information call 703-255-6360 or visit www.viennava.gov.

SUNDAY/JULY 13

Summer Sunday Concerts in the Park: Difficult Run Jazz Band. Dedicated to preserving the sounds of the swing era, the band has performed for more than 20 years. Part of a summer concert series at the McLean Central Park Gazebo, located at the intersection of Dolley Madison Blvd. and Old Dominion Drive. 4 to 5 p.m. Parking is available at the center.

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Joy Lippard

Rhythm of Life

Great Falls singer-songwriter launches her new CD.

Joy Lippard, a 17-year-old Great Falls resident — who fast-tracked her education, graduating a year early from Langley High School in order to dedicate all her time to career in music, will present her new CD to the area audience: She will perform on Tuesday, July 8 at Jammin' Java in Vienna.

"I will be performing all new songs with a full band accompaniment," said singer-songwriter Lippard. Asked about any other plans for summer, Lippard said:

"This summer I have a few shows to play at youth groups — Destiny Youth Group in Leesburg — my home church McLean Bible — www.mcleانبible.org — ... a list of calendar events is located on www.myspace.com/joylippard. Also, I will be going on a mission trip to the Dominican Republic at the end of July with a team of about 150 students and adults where we will be helping multiple orphanages. I will be leading one of the worship bands. Then, in August I will be traveling to Nashville to co-write and meet with industry people."

"I love performing in front of all audiences as a solo performance — just me and my acoustic guitar and keyboard — or with the full band."

— Joy Lippard

Asked about the first reactions to her new CD, Lippard said listeners may find a slight resemblance to artists like Jewel or Sarah Barielles upon first impression of the CD.

However, she said her album is more pop than Jewel and the songs contain lyrics about real life situations that easily relate to teens and adults alike.

Asked about the importance of local opportunities for aspiring young musicians, Lippard said, "I have performed since age 12 locally and out-of-state at festivals, youth groups, coffee houses, etc. I am constantly looking for new shows to play in the area and throughout the East Coast. I love performing in front of all audiences as a solo performance — just me and my acoustic guitar and keyboard — or with the full band."

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4th of July Dawn To Dusk Schedule

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- 8:00 am – 2:00 pm
Blood Drive - Great Falls Volunteer Fire Station
- 8:00 am – 9:00 am
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- 10:00 am – 10:20 am
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We rely on about 30 volunteers to support the event on the day of the event. Please join our effort, even if only for a one hour shift anytime between 10am until 12:30pm on July 4. Contact Committee Chairs Julie Casso and Jennifer Beckwith at www.greatfallsfriends.org/july4thvolunteersignup.asp.

In addition to our committee and event day volunteers, there are many others across the community that give their time to make this event a success. We are grateful for the active participation of supporting local businesses and organizations.

County Might Buy Foreclosures

Most members of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors support the idea of addressing the local foreclosure problem with county resources, even if several had questions about the most controversial aspects of the proposal during a June 30 meeting. A vote on the proposal will come later this summer.

At the direction of county chairman Gerry Connolly (D), staff has looked into the possibility of Fairfax County purchasing 10 foreclosed or abandoned detached homes considered neighborhood nuisances. The county would fix up the homes and sell them to people who could not afford a freestanding house in Fairfax otherwise.

Supervisor Pat Herry (R – Springfield) questioned whether the real estate market might take care of the foreclosure problem on its own.

“This might be just a solution looking for a problem,” said Herry. At Herry’s request, the board asked staff to reexamine how it gathers foreclosure statistics.

Supervisor Jeff McKay (D – Lee) was in favor of the county buying up foreclosed homes but wanted to make sure the 10 homes would spread across many ZIP codes.

Ten percent of the Washington region’s total foreclosures took place in Fairfax County, according to the report. Of the 2,058 Fairfax foreclosures, about 22 percent took place in four parts of the county – Herndon, Centreville, Route 1 and Lorton.

— JULIA O'DONOGHUE

School Board Nixes Morality Report

The Fairfax County School Board voted June 19 to indefinitely postpone a staff report on students’ character and morality development, two months after the same report spurred widespread public outrage.

In late March, school officials presented data that showed white and Asian students performing better in areas like “demonstrating sound moral character and ethical judgment” than their peers who are black, Hispanic or qualify for special education services.

The school system relied on “soft” information from sources like elementary school report cards and student surveys to determine character performance.

School board member Phil Niedzielski-Eichner (Providence) said he had regretted that such a report had ever seen the light of day.

Over the past two months, some members of the African-American and Latino communities have come forward to disparage the report and the school system for airing it publicly.

— JULIA O'DONOGHUE

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Sacrifice for Wider Beltway?

Five-year project comes with tree loss, traffic and noise.

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE
THE CONNECTION

Like many local mountain bike enthusiasts, Kathy Levy is making frequent trips to Wakefield Park this summer.

Levy and her two sons live in Vienna but regularly drive to the park, just outside the Capital Beltway, because of its trails. Wakefield offers some of the only trails for mountain bikers near the core of the Washington metropolitan area.

“It is the only place to do technical riding that is close in,” said Levy. The park, located at 8100 Braddock Road, is home to several mountain bike events during the summer.

But at least a portion of the mountain bike trails will succumb to the expansion of the Capital Beltway, set to start this month.

Virginia Department of Transportation and its private partner, Fluor-Transurban, will permanently close some trail areas to add four “high occupancy toll” (HOT) lanes to Interstate 495.

THE BIKE TRAIL is one item in a long list of community amenities that the HOT lanes project could affect. The construction will force clearing of almost every tree within 50 feet of the Beltway on both sides. Sound walls that protect residential neighborhoods from Beltway noise will come down, possibly for several years, and the criteria for replacement is still unclear. And traffic along the Beltway will slow as construction moves forward.

The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors sent a list of dozens of issues it would like VDOT to address before kicking off the construction later this month. Many residents are up in arms already about trees VDOT and Fluor-Transurban have cut down, even though the actual project has not started.

“That was the tip of the iceberg of a project that has been pretty non-controversial to date because of a lack of information. We are going to start hearing from more people,” said supervisor Jeff McKay (Lee), head of the board’s transportation committee.

THE HOT LANES project is set to expand the Beltway from eight to 12 lanes, with two new toll lanes in each direction from the Springfield interchange to just north of the Dulles Toll road near the American Legion Bridge.

Buses, motorcycles, emergency vehicles and cars with three people or more would use the HOT lanes for free. All other motorists can opt to pay a toll that will vary by the level of congestion to travel in the new lanes. The lanes will cost an estimated \$1.4 billion in total, with Virginia paying for approximately \$400 million and the federal government covering \$587 million through a grant. Fluor-Transurban, an Australian company, will provide the rest of the financial backing in exchange for being able to collect and keep all the HOT lanes tolls for the more than 50 years.

The project is appealing for some people because it could allow for mass transit — buses — to move along the Beltway, although the project does not provide any transit or buses. “I am not an enormous proponent of the concept of HOT lanes to begin with but we have to have mass transit on the Beltway,” said McKay.

The highway expansion also comes with \$250 million worth of upgrades to the Beltway’s aging infrastructure. VDOT and Fluor-Transurban have committed to replacing more than 50 bridges and overpasses, replacing and adding new sound walls, and upgrading 12 of the interchanges along the HOT lanes stretch of the



Much of the tree canopy that separates Wakefield Park from the Capital Beltway could disappear when they add four additional lanes to the interstate.

What Are HOT Lanes?

The Beltway plan calls for adding two outside lanes in each direction, then dedicating the two inside lanes as “High Occupancy Toll” Lanes, or HOT Lanes. These expanded lanes will function in part like carpool lanes, free for cars with three or more people in the vehicles. But the HOT lanes will also be open to vehicles with one or two occupants for a fee. The toll rate will vary based on traffic congestion, with the price rising to keep traffic flowing in the HOT lanes. The contractors, Fluor and Transurban, will collect and keep the toll revenue, but have yet to finalize many specifics, including how tolls will be collected or methods of enforcement.

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Beltway.

But even people who support the HOT lanes expect the project’s construction to cause a lot of pain over the next several years. “I do think the pay off is going to be worth it in the end but that end is a long way out,” said supervisor John Foust (Dransville), who represents McLean,

Great Falls and Herndon.

According to VDOT spokesperson Steve Titunik, in general, all the trees within 50 feet of the Beltway on either side will be taken down. “Is it going to be severe? Yeah. Are we going to take down a lot of trees? Yeah,” he said.

“You cannot take all the trees out and have the Beltway bare to the community,” said supervisor Sharon Bulova (Braddock.) Bulova said it is unacceptable that the park could be left with potentially no barrier between it and the highway.

Wakefield is one of the most popular parks in the system, according to Winnie Shapiro, Braddock representative on the county park authority board. “I think people are going to be shocked by the tree loss,” said Shapiro.

BUT THE HOT Lanes construction will have the most dramatic effect on local traffic patterns and congestion.

Officials plan to start work on every single interchange and bridge along the portion of the Beltway that includes the HOT lanes at the same time. “While work may be going on at all the bridges, some bridges will have more work than others,” Titunik, said.

Construction will stop and no lanes will be closed on the Beltway between approximately 5 a.m. and 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Motorists who are trying to cross over the Beltway between Braddock Road and Route 123 may see more severe impacts than Beltway commuters. Some bridges could have lane closures for long stretches, said Titunik.

He added that motorists living in this area should consider alternative routes. Some supervisors fear the effect on neighborhoods of thousands of commuters seeking alternative routes.

“The only realistic way to avoid the Beltway is to cut through neighborhoods,” said Foust.

County officials and the public have not had much advance notice of new aspects of the HOT lanes plans and sometimes they don’t have enough time to adequately respond to new information. Not even Foust, the local supervisor, found out about VDOT’s plan to clear acres of trees across from Cooper Middle School before it had already happened. Several community members said the lack of communication has made them skeptical of how VDOT will handle similar situations in the future.

“When overnight, they clear an area across from a middle school, that kind of thing makes you lose trust. We would have worked with them in good faith to come up with another solution,” said McLean resident Mary Anne Hilliard.

Supervisors set up an ad hoc committee to meet regularly with VDOT about the HOT lanes project and strengthen the lines of communication between the agency and local government.

SPORTS

Beijing Bound

Great Falls' Kate Ziegler qualifies for upcoming Olympics.

Great Falls resident and swimming sensation Kate Ziegler earned a spot on the 2008 U.S. Olympics Team with a second place finish in the 400-meter freestyle event at the Olympic Trials in Omaha Monday night.

Ziegler, a Bishop O'Connell High graduate, finished behind Towson's Katie Hoff, who was favored to win the 400-free race. Hoff, by claiming first, guaranteed her spot at the upcoming Olympics in Beijing, China. Ziegler, although she did not automatically qualify as the second place finisher in the 400 event at the Trials, is still pretty much assured of having a spot on the U.S. team. Second place finishers at Trials are almost assured of a team roster spot. Ziegler's best event is the 800-free. The finals for that race at this week's Trials are set for Saturday. Prior to that on Tuesday, Ziegler was set to also compete in the 200-free, another event Hoff is expected to win.

Ziegler excels in long distance swimming where she holds world records in

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both the 1500-meters freestyle long and short courses, as well as the 800-meters short course. She holds the U.S. record in the 1650 yards free. Ziegler's best shot at an Olympics gold will be in the 800.

Four years ago as a 15-year old, Ziegler made a strong showing at the Olympic Trials, although she did not qualify for that year's 2004 Olympic Games.

But this year, she is set to go.

"It's a huge honor for her. She has been thinking about this for a long time and to have [the 400 race] happen first and to get it out of the way is a big relief for her," said Evan Stiles, Bishop O'Connell head coach, and Arlington Aquatic Club head coach. "She's looking forward to relaxing a little bit now that she's on the team, and swimming well for the rest of the meet."

— RICH SANDERS



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Kate Ziegler holds several long distance swimming records.

SUMMER SPORTS ROUNDUP

The Great Falls Rapids swim team competed last Saturday. The close meet came down to the last three relays. Team members and spectators were treated to a number of extremely close events with double first place wins coming from Mary Liz Elliott, Stephen Thorsen and Max Wingo; and single first place wins from Luke Brugel, James Cutler, Evan Guidi, Jamie Keeler, Ty Kovacs, Taylor Kuligowski, Elizabeth Longosz, Jake McCarty, Ana Mulligan, Jaimie Mulligan, John Mulligan, Karlye Pallotta, Annie Thomas and Noelle Thorsen.

The Langley Wildthings swam a hard meet against host team Dunn Loring last Saturday, but fell short in the overall team score, 226-176.

Nonetheless, the Wildthings won almost half of the races. Double-event winners for Langley were Nathan Johnson (9-10 back, breaststroke), Marli Peress (11-12 back, fly), Tracy DeMocker (15-18 free, breaststroke) and Meghan Overend (15-18 back, fly). Single event winners were: Zach Johnson (8-under back), Emily Wallach (8-under breaststroke), Isaac Peress (9-10 free), Jacqueline Litschewski (9-10 breaststroke), Nathan Robinson (11-12 free),

Alexandra Cramer (11-12 free), Katie Robinson (11-12 breaststroke), Nicole Johnson (13-14 breaststroke) and Jamie Sexton (15-18 breaststroke).

A week earlier against Mansion House, Nate Johnson broke Langley's first record of the year in the 9-10 boys' backstroke with a time of 38.72.

Week One Action

The Great Falls Rapids swim team recently began its season with a win against Burke Station, 224-178. Double event winners for the Rapids were: James Cutler, Mary Liz Elliott, Jason Guidi, Annie Kemmerer, Will Kemmerer, Maggie Kovacs, Elizabeth Longosz and Max Wingo. Single event winners were: Evan Guidi, Kendall Heebink, Jamie Keeler, Mariko Kishimoto, Taylor Kuligowski, Artie McGonigal, Ana Mulligan, John Mulligan, Holliday Shuler and Allie Zeidan. Great Falls won eight of the 12 relays at the meet. Its 8-under boys and girls swimmers took first place finishes in all their events.

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The MYS McLean Magic 9-year old girls' soccer team was champions of its division at the Fairfax Police Youth All-Star Tournament on Father's Day.

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League Div. 5 action, the Langley Club Wildthings fell to the Mansion House Piranhas, 227-175. It was the Div. 5 opener for both teams.

Langley individuals swimmers, in the team setback, swam well, with more than two-thirds of the competitors clocking best times.

Langley double winners included: Zach Johnson (8-under free and back), Jacqueline Litschewski (9-10 back and breaststroke) and Brian DeMocker (13-14 free and fly).

Single event winners included: Wesley Chambers (8-under breaststroke), Sammy Bennett (9-10 breaststroke), Tatiana Bennett (9-10 fly), Nathan Robinson (11-12 free), Alexandra Cramer (11-12 free), Katie Robinson (11-12 back), Nicole Johnson (13-14 breaststroke) and Tracy DeMocker (15-18 breaststroke).

Curl-Burke Swim Club is seeking new team members ages 6-to-18 at Claude Moore Recreation Center and Tysons Corner. Team evaluations will take place on July 22 and 29 at Claude Moore from 3 to 5 p.m. Contact: Jwmim@cox.net or cubu.claudemoore@cox.net

Or, call Marilyn Mangels at 703-860-9157.

Curl Burke Swim Club has openings for their Fall Stroke School at Claude Moore Recreation Center and Tyson's Corner. Stroke School is devoted to competitive stroke instruction with emphasis on balance in the water. Contact: Katy Lane at cubu.claudemoore@cox.net, or call 703-709-8274.

The Great Falls Thunder girls' AAA Softball team (ages 9-11) recently played and defeated the McLean Red Sox, 11-10, in McLean's City Series Championship.

It marked the first time a Great Falls team has won the title for at least the last 17 years.

The season record for the Thunder was 8-3-1 and the record for the Red Sox was 7-7. The Thunder went undefeated during the playoff series, winning all three games. The Red Sox were 2-1 in the series.

The Great Falls Thunder is coached by Neal Falkenberry and the team's sponsor is Autumn Wind Asset Management. The players are: Maria Kehrl, Laynie Calderwood, Emily Caplan, Kerry Bush, Nicole Voce, Samantha Suib, Jenna Sander, Caitlin Robinson, Haley Falkenberry, Fiona Muir, Regan Herberg and Katherine Staley.

The Red Sox, under manager Ed Walter, are sponsored by Drs. Cusumano and Stuver.

Highlights of the title game included two innings of great pitching by Haley Falkenberry that allowed the Thunder to stay in the game. In the bottom of the fifth



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The Great Falls Thunder girls' AAA Softball team (ages 9-11) recently captured the McLean City title with a finals game win over the McLean Red Sox.

inning the Thunder were down 10-6 when Katherine Staley, Kerry Bush and Jenna Sander each had key hits to ignite a five-run rally. The contest was played at McLean's Field No. 2.

The MYS McLean Magic 9-year old girls soccer team won its division of the Fairfax Police Youth All-Star Soccer Tournament on June 15 (Father's Day). The FPYC Tournament drew 480 all-star teams and 7,000 players from around Northern Virginia and the Washington, D.C. area. The Magic scored an impressive 20 goals over four games at the tournament. The team was led by top scorer and MVP Christina Hall.

The McLean Magic is under the direction of head coach Sharon King Donohue and assistant Sandra Hall. The players are: Kelsey Dunn, Christina Hall, Anna Marie Hollar, Dani Isaacson, Kristen Kircher, Natalie Peele, Claire Wolff, Noelle Giuliano, Caroline Lewis, Lyla Jones, Grace Cheatham and Kyla Donohue.

McLean Youth Soccer Fall 2008 Registration has begun on the league web site at www.mcleansoccer.org. All returning players and new players are encouraged to register. MYS offers various programs for children ages four through 18, including House/Recreation, Travel and McLean Premier Soccer Travel.

There is also a U-5 division for Pre-K players, and TOP Soccer for children with special needs.

The season will begin September 8 and extend through mid-November. Players must be registered no later than July 15 to take advantage of the early discounted registration fees. Please contact the MYS Ad-

ministrator at admin@mcleansoccer.org for more information, or call the MYS Office at 703-506-8068.

MYS still has spots available for its Premier Soccer Academy Summer Camp that runs weekly through August 15. Registration is on line.

The McLean Little League (MLL) Aeroterm Yankees team clinched the National League, triple-A championship with an overall regular season record of 9-4. The team then continued its success in the postseason with an undefeated playoff run to win the MLL City Series Championship. In the title game, the Yankees defeated Dr. Edward Nelson's Phillies, 13-7, on June 14.

In the championship game, played under threatening skies, the Phillies opened up a 5-0 lead by the top of the second inning. The momentum, however, began to shift as Yankee batters David Kenworthy and Dylan Forrer reached base and scored during a two-out rally to narrow the Phillies' lead to 5-2.

The Yankees' defense held tight early in the game behind solid play from third baseman Charles Groppe, second baseman Regis Bridgeland and first baseman Holland Thornton.

The Yankees scored five runs in their half of the third inning. Leadoff hitter Rick Kono was hit by a pitch to start things off. Later, Cameron Marrapese and Cameron Kenworthy hit back-to-back doubles to give the Yankees a 6-5 lead. David Kenworthy laid down a bunt single to bring in another run to put the Yankees ahead 7-5 heading into the fourth inning.

Relief pitcher Holland Thornton came into the game in relief of Yankee starting pitcher Cameron Kenworthy. Thornton had

been unhittable throughout the season out of the bullpen. The Phillies, however, showed their determination when Patrick Gallagher hit a fastball to score two runs, tying the game at 7-7.

In the bottom of the fourth, the Yankees took back the lead, 9-7. Bridgeland started things off with a walk, and then Kono singled. That was followed by a two-run single by Marrapese.

Thornton, with a two run lead to work with, held the Phillies scoreless in the fifth. Two of the outs came on strikeouts.

The Yankees increased their lead to 13-7 with four runs in the bottom of the fifth. Lawton Jones, David Kenworthy, and Charles Groppe each scored in the inning. Bridgeland highlighted the breakout inning with a two-run single up the middle.

Thornton took the mound for the top of the sixth and struck out the side to seal the Yankees' championship.

Other contributing team members in the win for the Yankees were: Cade Vernet, Ben Friedman and Brendan Kearns.

The Yankees were scheduled to continue their postseason at the Starliper Tournament, comprised of the area's other Little League champions.

George C. Marshall High School announced the recent retirement notification of long time varsity baseball coach Jim Jullien.

Coach Jullien was at Marshall High School for four years. The school is looking for an immediate replacement. Any interested applicants may send their resumes to Mr. Joe Swarm, Director of Student Activities and Athletics at Marshall High School. For more information, call the school athletic office at **703-714-5409**.

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In execution of a Deed of Trust from Ronald J. Sneijder and Edwin H. Aguilera, dated February 23, 2007, and recorded March 6, 2007, in Deed Book 4075 at page 782 among the Land Records of Arlington County, Virginia, the undersigned substitute trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front entrance of the Judicial Center for Arlington County, at 1425 N. Courthouse Road, Arlington, Virginia, on

Tuesday, July 8, 2008

At 10:30 a.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time

the following property being the property contained in said Deed

of Trust, described as follows:

Lot 12, Block 3, Forest Park Addition to Waycroft, as the same appears duly dedicated, platted and recorded in Deed Book 379 at page 452, among the Land Records of Arlington County, Virginia.

Commonly known as 4904 N. 16th Street, Arlington, Virginia 22205.

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of \$100,000.00 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 4.875 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

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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S

SALE OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT

6234 QUANDER ROAD, ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22307

SALE TO BE HELD AT 4110 CHAIN BRIDGE ROAD, FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA 22030

JULY 11, 2008

AT 10:00 A.M.

In execution of the Deed of Trust dated August 9, 2004, and recorded in Deed Book 16387, Page 2016, among the land records of Fairfax County, Virginia (collectively, the "Deed of Trust"), securing The Washington Savings Bank, F.S.B. (the "Noteholder"), default having occurred in the payment of the debt secured thereby, and being instructed to do so by the Noteholder, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will offer for sale the property described below at public auction on the front steps of the Fairfax County Courthouse located at 4110 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, Virginia 22030 on July 11, 2008, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

The real property encumbered by the Deed of Trust that will be offered for sale by the Substitute Trustees is generally known as 6234 Quander Road, Alexandria, Fairfax County, Virginia 22307 and is described in more detail in the Deed of Trust and as follows:

PARCEL 2, containing 2.183 acres, more or less, of the subdivision of the PROPERTY OF ELIZABETH J. QUANDER, as the same appears duly dedicated, platted and recorded in Deed Book 1785, Page 264, among the land records of Fairfax County, Virginia.

LESS AND EXCEPT all of that lot or parcel of land containing 8,750 square feet more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a corner of Parcel 2 of the subdivision of the Residue of the property of Elizabeth J. Quander in the southwesterly line of Quander Road (Route #630) and running thence with a line of said parcel S.44 degrees, 22' 50" W. 160.0 feet to another corner of said parcel thence running through the parcel N. 0 degrees, 37' 10" W. 98.99 feet and N. 44 degrees 22' 50" E. 90.00 feet to a point in the line of Quander Road, thence with the line of said road S. 45 degrees 37' 10" E. 70.00 feet, to the point of the beginning.

TERMS OF SALE

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The Substitute Trustees and the Beneficiary disclaim all warranties of any kind, either express or implied for the property, including without limitation, any warranty relating to the zoning, condition of the soil, extent of construction, materials, habitability, environmental condition, compliance with applicable laws, fitness for a particular purpose and merchantability. The risk of loss or damage to the property shall be borne by the successful bidder from and after the date of the time of the sale. Obtaining possession of the property shall be the sole responsibility of the successful bidder (the "Purchaser").

A bidder's deposit of \$25,000.00 (the "Deposit") by certified or cashier's check may be required by the Substitute Trustees for such bid to be accepted. The Substitute Trustees reserve the right to prequalify any bidder prior to the sale and/or waive the requirement of the Deposit. Immediately after the sale, the successful bidder shall execute and deliver a memorandum of sale with the Substitute Trustees, copies of which shall be available for inspection immediately prior to the sale, and shall deliver to the Substitute Trustees the Deposit and the memorandum of sale. The balance of the purchase price, together with interest at 8.5% per annum from the date of sale to the date of settlement, shall be paid by the Purchaser. Settlement shall occur within ten (10) days after the sale date, TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE with regard to the Purchaser's obligation.

Settlement shall take place at the offices of Venable LLP, 8010 Towers Crescent Drive, Suite 300, Vienna, Virginia 22182. Purchaser shall pay all past due real estate taxes, rollback taxes, water rents, water permit renewal fees (if any) or other municipal liens, charges and assessments. The Purchaser shall also pay all settlement fees, title examination charges, title charges and title insurance premiums, all recording costs (including the state grantor's tax and all state and county recordation fees, clerk's filing fees and transfer fees and taxes), auctioneer's fees and/or bid premiums, and reasonable attorneys' fees and disbursements incurred in the preparation of the deed of conveyance and other settlement documentation.

The Purchaser shall be required to sign an agreement at settlement waiving any cause of action it or they may have against the Substitute Trustees, and/or the Beneficiary for any condition with respect to the property that may not be in compliance with any federal, state or local law, regulation or ruling including, without limitation, any laws, regulation and ruling relating to environmental contamination or hazardous wastes. Such agreement shall also provide that if notwithstanding such agreement, a court of competent jurisdiction should permit such a claim to be made, such agreement shall serve as the overwhelming primary factor in any equitable apportionment of response costs or other liability. Nothing herein shall release, waive or preclude any claims the Purchaser may have against any person in possession or control of the property.

If any Purchaser fails for any reason to complete settlement as provided above, the Deposit shall be forfeited and applied to the costs of the sale, including Trustees' fees, and the balance, if any, shall be delivered to the Beneficiary to be applied by the Beneficiary against the indebtedness secured by and other amounts due under the Deed of Trust in accordance with the Deed of Trust or applicable law or otherwise as the Beneficiary shall elect. There shall be no refunds. Such forfeiture shall not limit any rights or remedies of the Substitute Trustees or the Beneficiary with respect to any such default. If the property is resold, such re-sale shall be at the risk and the cost of the failing bidder, and the failing bidder shall be liable for any deficiency between its bid and the successful bid at the re-sale as well as the costs of conducting such re-sale. Immediately upon conveyance by the Substitute Trustees of the property, all duties, liabilities and obligations of the Substitute Trustees, if any, with respect to the property so conveyed shall be extinguished, except as otherwise provided by applicable law.

/s/ Henry F Brandenstein, Jr.

Substitute Trustee

/s/ Jessica L. Sartorius

Substitute Trustee

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In execution of a Deed of Trust from Coerte Voorhees and Leslie H. Voorhees, dated November 10, 2003, and recorded November 18, 2003, in Deed Book 15406 in page 931 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 15, 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:

Lot 11, vALLEY sTREAM

Tax Map No. 006-2-08-0011

Commonly known as 713 Clear Spring Road, Great Falls, Virginia 22066.

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of \$65,000.00 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 4.375 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.

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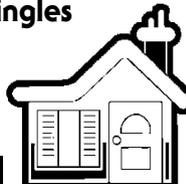
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