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Young Patriot

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Amy Peterson, 9, of Springfield, shows her patriotism while marching in the Fourth of July parade through her Springfield neighborhood.

New Commander At Fort Belvoir

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Golden Arches To White House

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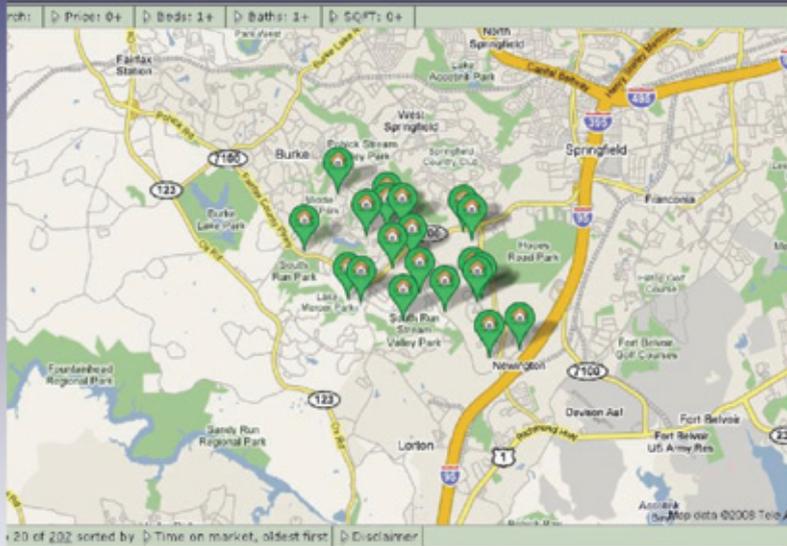
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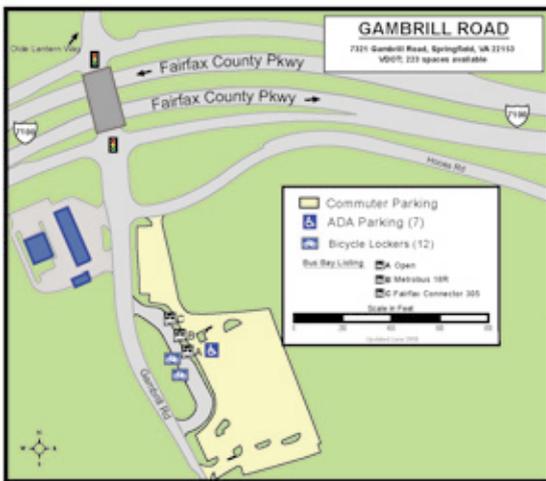


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NEWS



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Residents of the Orange Hunt Estates and Winston Knolls neighborhoods watch the annual Independence Day parade from the Hunt Valley Elementary School to the Orange Hunt Elementary School.

Marie Laverdiere, 9, of Springfield, decked out in patriotic garb, waits for the start of the Fourth of July parade.



Ellen Keil, 4, and her friend, Annette Wright, 5, enjoy some ice cream following the parade.

On Friday afternoon, Kathryn Miller, the current Miss Greater Springfield Pre-teen, rides in the Orange Hunt Estates and Winston Knolls Fourth of July parade.

Flag Waving

Two neighborhoods mark Fourth of July with parade, ice cream social.

Fort Belvoir Changes Commanders

Col. Brian Lauritzen bids farewell, base welcomes Col. Jerry Blixt.

BY CHUCK HAGEE
THE CONNECTION

As of July 2, Fort Belvoir has a new Installation Commander. Col. Jerry L. Blixt received the flag of command from Col. Brian W. Lauritzen during an hour-long ceremony on the Post's parade field that also saw several troops in the Battalion formation need medical attention due to heat exhaustion.

As the keynote speaker for the traditional Change of Command ceremony, the first thing Brig. Gen. Dennis E. Rogers did when he came to the microphone was tell the assembled troops before him to flex their legs and move around in order to alleviate the effects of the hot July sun. Then he praised Lauritzen for his leadership in overseeing the dramatic changes brought to Belvoir as a result of the 2005 Base Realignment and

Closure Report (BRAC).

"Col. Lauritzen has overseen a near doubling of Belvoir's population and has set in motion construction of more than \$4 billion in new facilities since his arrival three years ago," said Rogers, director, National Capital Region District, U.S. Army Installation Management Command. "Belvoir operates in many ways like a small city."

"This is a great day for the Lauritzen and Blixt families and your presence is a great gift to them of your time and respect," said Rogers. "Col. Blixt will continue the leadership Col. Lauritzen has shown over the past three years."

"This installation has experienced a dramatic increase in its mission and Col. Lauritzen has been at the forefront of that transition. His tenure has been marked with vision and creativity that will carry us well into the future," Rogers said.

IN ADDITION to relinquishing command of Fort Belvoir, Lauritzen was also retiring from 26 years of military service, which began with his graduation from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y. For that service, Lauritzen was awarded several honors during the ceremony including the Meritorious Service Award and special citations from the President of the United States and U.S. Army Chief of Staff Gen. George Casey. The audience also heard a statement praising Lauritzen's guidance given by U.S. Rep. James P. Moran (D-8) on the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives.

Lauritzen's wife Anne, joining her husband on the parade field, was awarded the Outstanding Service Medal by the Department of the Army, for her leadership and volunteer service in an array of activities

benefiting both base families and the surrounding communities.

COMING TO THE MICROPHONE, Lauritzen warned the audience that they might "see a grown man cry." Noting that

the ceremony was a particularly emotionally charged event, Lauritzen thanked his wife, two children and parents for supporting his career. "My wife and two children are the lights

of my life," he said.

"The legacy of our military families dates back to the Revolutionary War. Our nation has always benefited from our military families. And, today I publicly thank my wife and family for the support they have given me throughout my chosen career. I have

"This is a great day for the Lauritzen and Blixt families."

—Brig. Gen. Dennis E. Rogers

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Biathlon Helps Local Family

The Hunt Valley Swim Team is conducting its third annual swim/run biathlon and blood drive on Wednesday, July 16, from 9-11 a.m., to raise money for Mark Isabelle and his family. Mark is a 6-year-old from Springfield who is in the three-year continuation phase of his leukemia treatment. He began Cycle 8 of 11 cycles on June 30 and each cycle takes 84 days.



Mark Isabelle

The swim club is working with the Cool Kids Campaign [www.bfpf.org/cool-kids-campaign/connection.shtml] to support families who have children with cancer. Club members are setting up a table during the biathlon to sell shirts, hats, buttons and decals with the slogan "Cancer Fears ME." Those interested in helping the organization can purchase the items, with 25 percent of all proceeds benefiting the Isabelle family. Hours for the blood drive are 7-11 a.m.

The Hunt Valley Pool is located at 7100 Sydenstricker Road, Springfield.

Museum Contract Awarded

The first tangible evidence that the National Museum of the U.S. Army may come to fruition at Fort Belvoir occurred recently when the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District, awarded a design-build contract to Manhattan Construction for a 124,000-square-foot Museum Support Center.

The \$24.4 million facility, to be located on Fort Belvoir's South Post at the corner of Thoete Road and Racy Loop, will serve as the Army Center of Excellence "to preserve, study and interpret the material culture and artistic record of the American soldier." It will provide museum-safe housing and multiple storage areas with varying climate controls and laboratories to treat and examine historic artifacts, art and archive pieces.

Although not part of the museum itself, the center will provide collection support and additional services to the museum system such as property accountability, a site for scholarly research and hands-on museum professional training relating to the collection, treatment, examination and exhibition of historic Army property and art, according to spokesman Christopher Augsburger.

"We expect construction of the center to be complete by July 2010," Augsburger said. A meeting took place this Wednesday to study the project's schedule, according to Augsburger.

Approximately 22 permanent staff, coming from throughout the Army Museum system, will provide museum support services to Army curators, historians and outside researchers. The center will also provide antiterrorism and force protection to ensure the long-term preservation and safety of the various artifacts.

Manhattan Construction Company, based in Muskogee, Okla., is one of the top 20 largest commercial general contractors in the nation. Some of its other projects include the Public Safety and Transportation Operations Center in Fairfax, the Fort Myers Barracks Phase I and the Andrews Air force Base Visitors Center.

—CHUCK HAGEE

Correction

A portion of the directions for the recipe accompanying the article "Food for Body and Soul" [Connection, July 3-9, 2008] was not published. The complete recipe is reprinted

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Aquino Meets President

Springfield woman honored at White House reception.

BY REBECCA KOENIG
THE CONNECTION

It was as busy as usual at Fe Aquino's McDonald's restaurant in Chantilly when she received the call from the restaurant chain's human resources department. She was told that she was invited to participate in an Asian Pacific American Heritage Month celebration at the White House to honor business, military and community leaders. Concerned about serving her customers, she asked the McDonald's representative to call again later.

He did call back, and Aquino attended the White House event on May 1, one of three McDonald's employees invited nationwide.

Aquino has lived in Springfield with her husband and two daughters for five years. She has been involved with the McDonald's corporation since she and her parents immigrated to Virginia from the Philippines on Dec. 29, 1988.

"The next day, I applied at McDonald's, but they didn't accept me because I didn't have enough papers yet," she said. To her, it seemed like an obvious place to seek employment, since she had studied food technology at Bulacan College of Technology and her cousins worked at a McDonald's restaurant in Alexandria. Once her immigration paperwork was completed, she was hired as a crewmember.

The transition to employment was not easy, said Aquino. "It was shocking at first," she said. "I was a French-fry person, and it was hard at first because it was a high-volume restaurant. But the managers liked me because I knew English, which is taught as a second language in the Philippines."

AFTER MASTERING the cash register, Aquino was promoted quickly. She has been a "top-performing" manager for the past six years, and currently manages a McDonald's franchise in Chantilly. As a manager, Aquino is responsible for the operation of the entire store, including crew training, purchasing and maintaining sales levels. She also manages the McDonald's inside the Air and Space Museum's Udvar-Hazy Center, which she visits at least once a month.

Working at the museum's McDonald's is exciting, said Aquino. "It is a big store, with 392 seats. I get to see a lot of famous people, and people from different countries. The kids like the toys, because they are different than [those at] other McDonald's."

Having opportunities to give back to the community is a benefit of being a McDonald's employee, according to Aquino. Every year, she participates in a fair with a local Chamber of Commerce. She works to obtain discounts for the teachers' groups that come to the Udvar-Hazy Center. Aquino is a PTA member, and she helps plan spirit nights for schools in

Herndon and Sterling.

Rosaria Molina, a McDonald's human resource consultant for the Baltimore and Washington region who has known Aquino for six years, said that Aquino has given back to the McDonald's community as well.

"She is very outgoing, and great with people," said Molina. "She really cares about her employees. She goes out of her way, doing whatever it takes to make sure they are taken care of."

According to Molina, it was this dedication

to her employees, along with Aquino's commitment to the local community and to her family that earned Aquino an invitation to the White House. When choosing employees to nominate for the honor, Molina said that she and the other human resource consultants looked at store managers' performance with profits and sales, as well as their community involvement.

Denise Gaynor, Aquino's former operations manager, said in an e-

mail that Aquino "was selected to attend because of her overall contributions to McDonald's and how she consistently goes above and beyond the scope of her job. She was also selected because of her being so active in the community and how she encourages the other managers in her restaurant and other managers in the market to be more active in the community as well."

"It was so exciting, unbelievable."

— Fe Aquino

A NATIONAL McDonald's committee selected Aquino and two franchise owners out of all the nominations submitted across the country. According to Erin Labbe, an account supervisor for McDonald's public relations firm, Golin Harris, Aquino's selection was even more notable because she was the only store manager to be invited. "That shows how well her recommendation stood out," said Labbe.

When Aquino received her second phone call from the McDonald's human resources department, she was shocked, she said. "It didn't sink in until I got my itinerary. I was reading it and I thought, 'Oh wow.' It was so exciting, unbelievable." On April 30, Aquino was driven by limousine to the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, D.C.

"The next day, there was a photo shoot in



Fe Aquino displays the plaque she was presented at the White House reception in May.

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Suzie Miller, left, and Barbara McDonnell look over, sort and organize donations to the Ecumenical Community Helping Others (ECHO) program on Tuesday, July 8.

Charities See Boom Time

Number of families using food banks, thrift shops on the rise.

BY DEREK JOHNSON
THE CONNECTION

Lorton resident Nathan Wolfe has noticed something about the lines he's waited in at the Lorton Action Community Center for food and financial assistance over the past year.

"I've seen a lot more people," said Wolfe. "And I've had to wait longer periods of time in line."

The employees at the Lorton Community Action Center used to feed around 180 families a week through their food bank. Over the last 10 months that number has ballooned to 330. The center distributed 13 tons of food in June alone. It's a growth of patronage that most local businesses would love to see in this economy. To the non-profit LCAC, however, the sudden rise in clientele is a reflection of the gradual economic fallout that has occurred as a result of the housing crisis, immigration, lay-offs and a host of other factors.

"This is a business that is almost recession-proof."

— Judy Stone,
Yesterday's Rose

Nutrition Program Coordinator Karlene Webster estimated that she signs up 10 new families a week for LCAC's food assistance program.

"Lots of people have been laid off. [Businesses] always start off at the bottom of the barrel and work their way up," said Webster, during a tour of the Center just off of Rich-

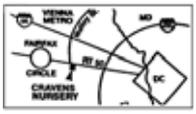


Joseph Swalberg, a missionary from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, works in the food distribution section of the Ecumenical Community Helping Others (ECHO) shop on Tuesday, July 8.

mond Highway in Lorton.

Though Webster described the food program they offer as the "heart" of the LCAC, she said she has also noticed a sharp increase in people coming in for help paying bills, pro bono legal work or simply money to fill up their gasoline tanks. Webster estimated that about half of the people who come to the

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PEOPLE

Getting To Know ...

Mary T. Mitchell, who wrote a book about man who pioneered electronic funds transfer.

BY STEVE HIBBARD
THE CONNECTION

Springfield resident Mary T. Mitchell, 86, wanted to honor the legacy of her husband, George Mitchell, who pioneered the electronic funds transfer in the U.S. banking system in the 1970s. So she spent five years writing a biography of the man John F. Kennedy appointed to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve (1961-1976). He served as its vice chairman from 1973-76.

Her book is called "A Search for Understanding," and it tells the story of George Mitchell's financial wizardry, his interest in art collecting, fly-fishing, going to the theater, and other personal details. He died of a massive heart attack in 1997 at age 92. The couple was married for 32 years.

"He was a person of very high character and integrity," said Mary Mitchell, a resident of the Greenspring Village retirement community. "He was a very strong, no-nonsense type."

Elliott McEntee, 64, of Falls Church, worked with George Mitchell, called him an innovator who led the Federal Reserve in moving toward electronic banking. "He was a great visionary in terms of looking at the needs of the country to move toward electronic payments instead of relying on paper checks."

Mary Mitchell traveled all over the world with him — to places like Japan, Brussels and Munich — often taking care of the details and crunching the numbers for him.

"He had a brilliant career," when he worked as director of finance under Adlai Stevenson, she said. "Those who worked for



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Mary Mitchell holds a copy of her book, 'A Search for Understanding,' and a photo of her husband George W. Mitchell.

him were very fond of him."

Stephen Dewhurst, who wed George's step-daughter, called him a man of great integrity. "He was one of the straightest arrows I ever knew. He just led through example and determination."

He said they spent a lot of time talking about the Debit Card and electronic funds transfer. "He wanted to move society away from paperwork," he said.

Mary Mitchell was originally from Alton, Ill., earned a master's degree in mathematics. She worked as a technician reporting to senior economists at the Federal Reserve Bank in Chicago where George Mitchell was

the head of the research department.

George Mitchell was originally from Richland Center, Wisc., and had a background in economics and statistics. In 1964, she got a job at the FDIC in Washington in bank supervision and research and stayed for 20 years.

The couple knew each other for 12 years before marrying in November 1964. Mary Mitchell had two children from a previous marriage, and George Mitchell had four. They raised their close-knit blended family in an eight-room home on North Quebec Street in Arlington. The home was always a busy and bustling place that accommodated their extensive art collection of 100 or so pieces from the Southwest. George Mitchell was also an avid landscaper and good cook as well.

"He was a very good father to his children and grandchildren," Mary Mitchell said. "He followed their careers very carefully. ... They were always welcome in our home." Today they have 21 grandchildren and 44 great-grandchildren.

On the recommendation of Robert C. Holland, a former friend and colleague, Mary Mitchell decided to write the 331-page book for her children, while at the same time suffering from macular degeneration. She hired a secretary to type her hand-written manuscript that became the book published through iUniverse, Inc.

"I wanted to bring together a complete

record of what their father had done for the state of Illinois and for the Federal Reserve System," she said.

"I could handle his personal life, but it became evident that you can't talk about monetary policy if you don't know much about it," Mary Mitchell said. So she spent

a lot of time analyzing the annual reports of the Federal Reserve Board and her late husband's manuscripts, documents and speeches.

Her husband worked on the Debit Card and helped to design the means by which money could be deposited electronically. "He started

talking about this subject as early as 1959, when nobody else was cognizant of the potential," she said. "He drove himself hard. He drove his staff hard to accomplish this."

THE PROCESS was time-consuming, she said, and occasionally George Mitchell was ridiculed in The Washington Post, she said, because it took so long.

In the late 1970s, he helped the Air Force launch its electronic funds transfer. Afterwards, the electronic funds process took hold nationwide. In 1995, he received an award from the U.S. Treasury for his work in the field.

"He had foresight," she said. "It never bothered him that people thought he was strange for coming up with these ideas because he knew that the product was going to be good."

"He was a person of very high character and integrity."

— Mary T. Mitchell, resident of Greenspring Village retirement community

VIEWPOINTS

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"Vanilla, because it's the only flavor you can easily personalize."
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"Cookies and Cream."
Khristine Crisostomo, Fairfax



"Vanilla."
Sarah Pearce, Fairfax

— KRISTEN ELLIOTT

MILITARY NOTES

Army Spec. Landon L. Freeman has been mobilized and activated at Fort Dix, N.J., for a deployment overseas to a forward operating base in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The soldier is a member of the 1175th Military Police Company, a national guard unit

based in St. Clair, Mo. Freeman, a military police member, has served in the military for four years. He is the son of Richard L. Freeman of Springfield and Barbara J. Freeman of Rolla, Mo.

Army National Guard Maj. Michael W. Duplechain has been

mobilized and activated at Fort Dix, N.J., for a deployment overseas to a forward operating base in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The soldier is a member of the 158th Cavalry, Annapolis, Md. His wife, Molly, is the daughter of Fredrick Peters and Linda Peters, both of Springfield.

COLLEGE NOTES

Send notes to the Connection at south@connectionnewspapers.com or call 703-917-6459. Deadline is Friday. Dated announcements should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event.

Deanna Johnson of Springfield graduated with a master of science degree in human resource management from Boston University.

Ann Marie Boynton of Springfield graduated with a master of science degree in business administration and management from Boston University.

Christie S. Kim of Springfield graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in international relations from Boston University.

Colby A. Burlingame of Springfield graduated with a bachelor of science degree in communication from Boston University.

Amy N. Gilbert, Bryn A. Veditz and Catherine Rupp, all of Springfield, have been named to the dean's list at Boston University for the spring 2008 semester.

Phill Hokyung Yi of Springfield graduated with a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering with distinction from Virginia Military Institute. Yi

is the son of Hokyung and Kilyoung Yi.

Erik A. Olson of Springfield received a bachelor of science degree in psychology from Virginia Military Institute. Olson is the son of Don and Edith Olson.

Joanie Prins of Springfield received a master of science degree in curriculum and instruction from the University of Scranton.

John Powers, a philosophy and political thought major, has been named to the dean's list at Muhlenberg College of Allentown, Pa. Powers, a graduate of West Springfield High School, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Powers of Springfield.

Erica Nicole Andersen of Springfield was awarded a juris doctor degree from the University of Iowa on June 6.

Kristin Taylor Staffo, a freshman at Washington and Lee University, has been named to the dean's list. She is the daughter of Gary T. Staffo and Jocelyn E. Owens of Springfield.

Donald A. Fetzner, a sophomore from Springfield, has been named to the spring 2008 dean's list at the Potomac State College of West Virginia University.

CRIME

Activities reported by the Franconia District of the Fairfax County police department through July 3.

ROBBERY

6500 block of Summerton Way. A 19-year-old Alexandria-area man was reportedly robbed on Thursday, July 3 around 3:30 a.m. by a female acquaintance and her friends. The suspect called the victim and asked him to meet her in the 6500 block of Summerton Way, which he did. Once there, the suspect, two men and another woman approached. The victim was held down by the suspects while they removed his pants. The suspects fled with his pants, wallet and cell phone. He was not injured. Police are still investigating.

BURGLARY

5700 block of Telegraph Road. The Hess gas station was broken into sometime between Thursday, June 26 and Friday, June 27 during the night. Entry was gained by smashing the front door. It appears several cases of cigarettes were stolen. Police are still investigating.

LARCENIES

7500 block of Accotink Park Road. Bicycles stolen from park.

7000 block of Bradlick Shopping Center. Cell phone stolen from business.

6900 block of Bradlick Shopping Center. Money, clothes and keys stolen from vehicle.

4600 block of Brentleigh Court. Stereo stolen from vehicle.

7000 block of Brookfield Plaza. Cell phone stolen from business.

8200 block of Cinder Bed Road.

Trailer stolen from business.
6700 block of Commerce St. Laptop stolen from business.

5800 block of Craig St. Four tires stolen from vehicle.

4400 block of Elan Place. Gas cap stolen from vehicle.

6000 block of Farrington Ave. Auto parts stolen from business.

10100 block of Giles Run Road. Tires stolen from business.

7700 block of Grandwind Drive. Bicycle stolen from residence.

7600 block of Gresham St. GPS stolen from vehicle.

7700 block of Gunston Plaza. Cigars stolen from business.

6800 block of Heatherway Court. Stereo stolen from vehicle.

7300 block of Highland St. Scrap metal stolen from business.

5800 block of Kingstowne Center. Wallet stolen from business.

5800 block of Kingstowne Center. Gasoline stolen from service station.

6600 block of Loisdale Road. Comforter stolen from business.

5500 block of Maplefield Plaza. Wallet stolen from vehicle.

7000 block of Rhoden Court. Money stolen from residence.

6100 block of Rose Hill Drive. Beer stolen from business.

6200 block of Rose Hill Falls Way. Power tools stolen from business.

6400 block of Springfield Mall. Four chain saws stolen from business.

VEHICLE THEFTS

7400 block of Brighthouse Court. 1998 Kawasaki Ninja reported stolen.

3300 block of Dona Ave. 1999 Honda Civic reported stolen.

9300 block of Lewis Chapel Road. 2007 Mazda CX7 reported stolen.

9000 block of Lorton Station Blvd. 2006 Yamaha motorcycle reported

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BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE
THE CONNECTION

Local members of the General Assembly used phrases like "not too optimistic" and "not too good" to describe the possibility of reaching a compromise on transportation funding this year.

State legislators returned to Richmond July 8 to find a solution for Virginia's roads and transit woes. The Virginia Supreme Court threw out a package that passed during the 2008 session that would have raised more than \$300 million a year for transportation in Northern Virginia.

Gov. Tim Kaine (D) scheduled the General Assembly's special session, which started at the end of last month, to specifically address the question of transportation funding.

Several Fairfax County representatives to the House of Delegates supported Kaine's plan, which was killed by a Republican-controlled committee.

The governor's bill included a series of statewide taxes and fees, including a bump in the cost to get

a driver's license and taxes associated with selling homes, that were meant to cover the state's maintenance deficit. Kaine's proposal would also have raised money through special taxes that applied only to Northern Virginia and Hampton Roads.

The special regional taxes would have required approval by local governments, like the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, before they were implemented.

"Of course, the rural guys are saying why should we support a grants tax? That is my problem. Not enough people are willing to step up and do their fair share," said Del. Tom Rust (R-86).

The bill most likely to pass the House of Delegates, according to Rust, is one that includes two regional components for Hampton Roads and Northern Virginia but no statewide component. Both Rust and Del. Dave Albo (R-42) support the bill.

Rust and Albo said that Northern Virginia tends to lose out on funding when Virginia raises revenue statewide because the funding formula used returns only a fraction of what the region raises.

"Northern Virginia pays 40 percent and gets 14 percent...that is where you lose people like me and Tom Rust and Joe May," said Albo, of the statewide revenue formula.

But Democrats said the bill still has several problems, including no plan for maintenance. "They are asking us to raise taxes on Northern Virginians and use the money to fix roads and bridges downstate," said Jesse Ferguson, spokesperson for Del. Brian Moran, who is the Democratic caucus leader in the House of Delegates.

Fairfax County chairman Gerry Connolly said it is also unfair for Northern Virginia's local governments to be asked to raise taxes.

With none of the plans above likely to pass, many Northern Virginians are expecting the worst again. "It means we wait some more and eventually the voters will start asking the hard questions come election time," said Bill Lecos, president of the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce.

Lecos said Fairfax is approximately 13 percent of Virginia's population and brings in approximately 25 percent of the commonwealth's revenue.

COUNTY NOTEBOOK

Encouraging Turbines, Solar Panels

Fairfax County Board of Supervisors chairman Gerry Connolly (D) wants residents to be able to "cut through the red tape," when it comes to installing wind turbines and solar panels on their property.

Connolly has suggested that staff look into easing zoning restrictions on wind turbines. Currently, residents must go before the Board of Zoning Adjustment if they want to install a turbine, which can be used to partially power a house with wind energy, on their property.

He also wants the county to consider drafting statewide legislation that could lift homeowners associations' restrictions on solar panels.

Several homeowners and citizens associations said they are already looking at ways to assist residents who want to be "green," but that a drastic change, such as a wind turbine, might not be welcome.

"That would take a little getting used to. People get all worked up about satellite dishes and that sort of thing right now," said Michael Fruin of the Timberly South homeowners association in McLean.

The Burke Centre Conservancy, one of the county's largest homeowner associations, has an architectural review board. Currently satellite dishes have been installed on the back of a home, said the conservancy president Kala Quintana, adding the same rules would likely apply to solar panels. But her community has been resistant to tall structures like wind turbines in the past.

"Giving the experience we had even thinking ... about cell phone towers. It would be surprising to me if people would be that interested," said Quintana of wind turbines.

— JULIA O'DONOGHUE

Hyland Proposes Looking at Meal Tax

Mount Vernon supervisor Gerry Hyland (D) has proposed that Fairfax County take another look at raising the meals tax as part of its overall budget review this fall.

In anticipation of a downturn in revenue, Fairfax County supervisors will be spending extra time going through the budget for cost savings, and Hyland said the supervisors should look to tax diversification during that time.

Currently, Fairfax relies on real estate taxes to provide well over half of the county's funding. A meals tax could provide another source to the local government's revenue stream.

In a board item presented June 30, Hyland said he expected "industry opposition," to the proposal but the meals tax, which affects restaurants, has also been a tough sell to the public in the past.

Fairfax County can only acquire the power to enact a meals tax if it is approved in a voter referendum or passed by the Virginia General Assembly. Richmond lawmakers have been unwilling to approve the measure and Fairfax County's last meals tax referendum in 1992 failed by a large margin.

"It was one of the largest referendum failures in the history of the state," said Jim Wordsworth, who owns J.R. Stockyard's Inn in Tysons Corner.

Wordsworth said the restaurant and hospitality industry is already suffering during the tough economic times. "I understand a broad-based tax, like a sales tax, that applies to everyone... but I don't understand singling out an industry like that," said Wordsworth, who established the commonwealth's restaurant association.

— JULIA O'DONOGHUE

King Guilty of Attempted Murder

BY KEN MOORE
THE CONNECTION

Prosecutor Casey M. Lingan showed a Fairfax County Circuit Court jury the bullet from the gun Rocky L. King pointed at police Officer Eugene Bork's head.

The only reason the jury was looking at an officer in the courtroom and not an autopsy photo, Lingan told the jury, is that King didn't properly load his weapon.

Following a three-day trial last week before Judge Robert J. Smith, a jury convicted King of the attempted capital murder of a police officer on Wednesday, July 2.

The next day the jury recommended that King serve 51 years in prison: 40 years for the attempted capital murder of a police officer, five years for use of a firearm in the commission of a felony, three years for possession of cocaine and three years for possession of a firearm while in possession of cocaine.

Officer Bork and his wife now make sure they say goodbye to each other each and every day they leave their house.

"This was a tough one for the cops," said Marshall E. Thielen, president of the Fairfax Coalition of Police IUPA Local 5000. "People take for granted the work that police do keeping Fairfax County safe."

Officer Bork was sent to investigate a single car accident on Sept. 11, 2007 at Coppermine Road and Sunrise Valley Drive in Herndon around 3:30 a.m., according to police reports.

Bork, who has earned awards from Mothers Against Drunk Driving according to Thielen, called for additional officers when King was evasive answering his questions. When Bork eventually asked King to exit the vehicle, King got out of the car and pointed a handgun at the officer's head.

"Within a fraction of a second, the gun was out," Thielen said.

A struggle ensued over the gun, and backup officers shot King several times. King was treated at Inova Fairfax Hospital for injuries that were not life threatening, according to police.

Defense attorney Michael Davis intended to argue that King was trying to commit "suicide by cop," trying to force police to kill him.

Davis predicted the trial

Police Shoot, Kill Man in Oakton

Last Saturday, July 5, Fairfax Police officers responded to a call from an apparent suicidal man in Oakton 30 minutes before midnight, according to Fairfax County Police reports.

When officers arrived at the 3100 block of Summit Square Drive, they were confronted by David Michael Przewlocki, 54, who was armed with a gun on the sidewalk outside his apartment.

When officers ordered Przewlocki to put his gun down, he refused and pointed the gun at officers who then shot him, according to police reports.

Przewlocki was pronounced dead at Inova Fairfax Hospital.

No officers were injured.

Risking Lives to Save One?

A similar call to police ended differently in October 2005, when an officer was critically wounded after hours of negotiating with a suicidal man, Joseph Oliver, then 56.

Oliver's sister alerted police that her brother was armed and suicidal on Oct. 29, 2005, on Palladium Court in Springfield.

Officer Peter H. Feigleson negotiated with Oliver for more than two hours, while Oliver held a revolver in each of his hands.

Police could have used deadly force as soon as they arrived, as Oliver pulled out two guns from a bag.

"I was trying to save his life," Feigleson testified.

When Oliver later put down one of his guns, Feigleson, shielded by officer Scott A. MacCaskill, advanced closer to Oliver to try to immobilize him momentarily with a Taser gun.

But one of the Taser gun darts failed to hit Oliver, and Oliver shot Feigleson in the leg, clipping his femoral artery, and shot at MacCaskill, hitting the shield MacCaskill carried to protect both officers as they advanced. Oliver shot 11 rounds at the officers, Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Casey M. Lingan told the jury. "The moment he fired his weapons at Officer Feigleson and Officer MacCaskill ... is the moment he was not suicidal, he was homicidal," Lingan said.

The officers' emotions were most visible when they talked about each other. "I thought you were dead," Feigleson said to MacCaskill, outside the courtroom at Oliver's trial in November 2006.

A Fairfax jury recommended that Oliver serve 99 years in prison.

His conviction and sentence are currently being appealed.

would last six days, but wasn't permitted to present evidence he had hoped to, and the trial lasted three days before the jury recommended its sentence.

Davis filed a motion Monday, July 7 for Judge Smith to vacate the conviction and declare a mistrial, according to court records.

King is scheduled to be formally sentenced later this year.

OPINION

Make More of Silver Lining

Modest goals for housing downturn should be ramped up.

Fairfax County's proposal to turn some foreclosed properties into opportunities for affordable housing has drawn some criticism.

By making such a modest proposal, the county leaves itself open to such barbs.

Fairfax County dedicated a penny of the real estate property tax to affordable housing several years ago, which amounts to a significant \$22 million a year. County businesses and officials recognized that lack of affordable housing for the needed workforce ranks right up with gridlock as an impediment to economic growth. Advocates for human services know first hand the tremendous need for the

\$22 million each year and it adds up to a lot of money. The county has used it to purchase some apartment buildings that housed affordable rentals that were in danger of being converted to luxury rentals or condos. Now, with

the "silver lining" of homes for sale far below assessed value because of a surge of foreclosures, the county should move to make a lasting dent in the need affordable housing on several levels.

First, the program should be expanded to include foreclosed condos and townhouses, which in the current market, could provide more housing value for the money. With the rental voucher waiting list so long that the waiting list is closed, it makes sense to acquire these properties too, or help nonprofit groups acquire them, so that they can be rented out to qualified families and county workers. Efficiency and one-bedroom condos offer an opportunity for the county to make significant strides with a relatively small investment.

Second, the program should look to increase

the long-term stock of affordable housing, by applying price controls (similar to controls on the county's affordable dwelling units) to those properties that would be sold to first time homeowners. This will keep the properties in the stock of affordable housing for some time to come. If the family that buys a property from the county sells it in the future, any profits should be split with the county, providing more funding for affordable housing.

Third, the county should look at facilitating the purchase of foreclosed properties by nonprofit groups that would also tend to maintain these properties as long-term affordable housing.

All these efforts would be best spread out throughout the county. While many neighborhoods might resist more "affordable housing," some are already hard hit by vacancies and foreclosures. Townhouse and condo associations are suffering non-payment of homeowners fees. Surely this is an opportunity to make the most of the "silver lining."

It's not time to be timid.

Crackdown on Counterfeiters

Counterfeit goods cost U.S. about \$250 million annual.

BY BOB McDONNELL
VIRGINIA ATTORNEY GENERAL

There has been an increase in sophisticated counterfeit operations in Virginia.

For example, in May 2007, Newport News authorities confiscated \$1.8 million worth of counterfeit goods from 11 stores. A few weeks ago, Suffolk Police seized more than \$32,000 in counterfeit goods from a downtown store, including 260 pairs of counterfeit shoes.

Thanks to new laws that went into effect July 1 that were part of our office's legislative agenda, Virginia consumers and businesses have new safeguards against counterfeit and unsafe products.

Counterfeit products have included: automotive brake pads, diabetes test strips, airline mechanical parts, smoke alarms, baby food, prescription drugs, cancer-fighting drugs, surgical products, batteries, wine, clothing, shoes, DVDs/CDs, toys, toothpaste and jewelry.

"Virginia is one of the first states to pass a

law toughening penalties and making it harder for counterfeiters to sell their fake merchandise," said Del. Ben Cline, who was the chief patron of the legislation in the General Assembly.

It is estimated that counterfeiting and piracy cost the United States about \$250 billion each year and

has led to the loss of more than 750,000 jobs. Plus, many of these "knockoff" products, like medical supplies and car parts, also endanger the user.

The Food and Drug Administration estimates that counterfeit drugs account for 10 percent of all drugs sold in the nation. The Federal Aviation Administration estimates that 2 percent of the 26 million airline parts installed each year are counterfeit — about 520,000 parts.

"Counterfeiting and piracy threaten consumers' health and safety, while shaking our confidence in the products we rely on and the brands we trust," said Caroline Joiner, vice

president of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's Global Intellectual Property Center. "This legislation will protect Virginia's consumers from dangerous and defective counterfeit and pirated products, while sending a strong message to the perpetrators of these crimes."

HERE ARE some tips for consumers to avoid dangerous counterfeit products:

◆ If the price is too good to be true, it probably is. Know the usual price range for your intended purchases.

◆ Inspect the quality of the product. Scrutinize labels and packaging. Are there any misspellings? Does the country of origin match the country that normally produces the product?

◆ Seek authorized dealers for the product you are planning to purchase and make your purchases from the most legitimate source possible.

◆ Report questionable and faulty products to law enforcement.

Consumer protection is an important statutory duty of the Office of the Attorney General, and our staff can help. In an age of increased consumer issues, we all must continue to be educated and vigilant.

Friendly Staff

To the Editor:

This day and age, emergency room experiences evoke images of IVs, blood tests, tired, grouchy nurses and most of all, long waits. Most never enjoy the multi-hour ordeal we're sometimes forced to endure to protect our health.

Since words of gratitude are per-

haps unfortunately less common than complaints, I feel compelled to send a quick note of acknowledgement and thank you to the staff of Alexandria Hospital for the treatment I received on June 23. They were the friendliest, most calming, respectful, lively and

even humorous group I've ever had the pleasure of being "forced" to deal with. In what must be one of the most trying professions around, these professionals demonstrated true love for their jobs and their patients ... and it showed. We should all be so lucky to have such an experience.

Many thanks to Dr. Budharani;

nurses Ajua and Cheri; x-ray technician, Joe; patient transporter, Bryan; and patient advocate, Debbie. I hope to not need to see any of you again anytime soon, but if the need arises, I will rest assured that I am in good hands.

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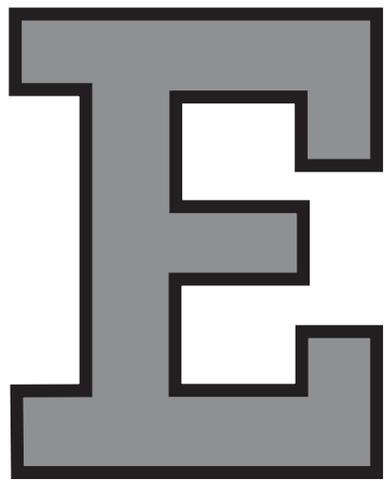
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The cast of 'Poultrygeist: Night of the Chicken Dead,' prepare of a scene. The movie centers around zombies seeking revenge for having a fast food chicken restaurant built on top of their graves.



Lloyd Kaufman gets into character while directing his chicken-zombie horror film, 'Poultrygeist: Night of the Chicken Dead.'

Behind the Lens With Lloyd Kaufman

On Friday, July 18, film director and president of Troma Films Lloyd Kaufman will be conducting a one-time only course of his Filmmaker Master Class at the University Mall Theatres on 10659 Braddock Road in Fairfax.

The one-day class will take place from 5-7 p.m. Registration is at the main front door of the University Mall Theatres, 10659 Braddock Road in Fairfax. Registration is \$20.

The class will consist of exercises and information in basic filmmaking, finding financing and organizing a crew and group production. Students will be given advice on how to be a successful filmmaker.

Immediately following the class, students will have an opportunity to view Kaufman's film "Poultrygeist: Night of the Chicken Dead," as it begins playing at the University Mall Theatres.

MASTER CLASS

BY NORA BENZAWI
THE CONNECTION

For local scary movie buffs, solace has finally arrived. Spooky Fests LLC is presenting The Spooky Movie Film Festival: Midsummer Night's Scream on Thursday, July 17 at the Cinema Arts Theatre at Fair City Mall in Fairfax.

"The Spooky Movie Film Festival is a wonderful network that appeals to many people, especially new and upcoming filmmakers," said Dick Dyszel, spokesperson for the Spooky Movie Film Festival. The opening night of the festival begins at 6:30 p.m. and at 11 p.m. Admission for the film is \$12.

Audience members will be viewing the premiere of "Poultrygeist: Night of the Chicken Dead," a new horror film directed by the president of Troma Films, Lloyd Kaufman. Following the screening at the Cinema Arts Theatre, the film will continue to play at the University Mall Theatres on 10659 Braddock Road in Fairfax.

"We chose to show the movie at Univer-

Spooky Movie Film Festival to inspire mid-summer chills, nascent filmmakers.

sity Mall because it is one of the only independent theatres in the D.C. area," said Curtis Prather, director of the Spooky Movie Film Festival.

"Poultrygeist," a horror movie spoof, is far different than the typical zombie films of the past few decades. "The movie features a satire of the horror genre, and a parody of zombie movies in general," said Prather. "The basic plot involves a fast food chicken restaurant that's been built on top of an ancient Indian burial ground. Safe to say the dead aren't pleased to have them there."

The film strives to remain distant from the traditional zombie films that have now become mundane and predictable. "There's a definite fatigue in the typical Hollywood horror blockbuster. We want to do something unique," said Prather.

THE SPOOKY MOVIE Film Festival gives

"The Spooky Movie Film Festival is a wonderful network that appeals to many people."

— Dick Dyszel

"Poultrygeist" a chance to expand its limited theatrical release. "Originally, the film was planned to be released solely in New York and Los Angeles, but we really wanted to do a D.C. showing. It all sort of came together organically," said Prather.

The film has gained notoriety for its famous director accompanied with increasing excitement from horror movie fans and University Mall regulars alike. "It's the Washington, D.C. premiere of the film, and will be playing guaranteed for one week, maybe longer," said Mark O'Meara, owner of the Cinema Arts and University Mall Theatres. "We're hoping people check it out. It should be completely over the top but really fun."

Also appearing at the festival will be the presentation of four award winning short films, including "The Ancient Rite of Corey McGillis," "Seekers," "Eight Thirty-Two" and "The Marionette." The four films shown at the festival will be included as part of the first volume of the "Festival of Horrors" anthology DVD series, produced by The Spooky Movie Film Festival and Rudderpost

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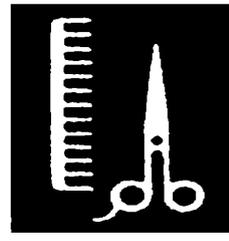
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Friends of Richard Byrd Library Summer Book Sale. 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Books and media offerings. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Purchases help fund valuable library programs.

Summer Birds and Bagels. 8-10:30 a.m. Explore woodland and wetland at Huntley Meadows to observe bird life, followed by juice and bagels at the Visitor Center. Binoculars and field guides recommended; reservations required. \$6 per adult. Huntley Meadows Park Visitor Center, 3701 Lockheed Blvd., Alexandria. Call 703-768-2525.

Localplooza, Dead Syndicate. 6:16 p.m. All ages; \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. Jaxx Night Club, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. Call 703-569-5940 or visit www.jaxxroxx.com.

SATURDAY/JULY 12

What's the Matter? Chemistry with fizz, foam and flash presented by Maryland Science Center. 2:30 p.m. Age 6-12. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Call to register 703-339-4610.

Lorton Community Action Center Summer Raffle. The drawing will be at Lorton Town Center, in the gazebo. Tickets will be sold at various events including the Lorton Fourth of July parade. Proceeds will help fund food bank programs. Call Lorton Community Action Center, 703-339-5161 X22.

Friends of Richard Byrd Library Summer Book Sale. 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Books and media offerings. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Purchases help fund valuable library programs.

27th Annual Obon Summer Festival. 5:30-9 p.m. This Buddhist observance to honor ancestors, hosted by Ekoji Buddhist Temple, will include Japanese folk dancing, crafts, games, a candle illumination ceremony, traditional Japanese food, temple tours, lectures, and taiko drumming performed by Nen Daiko. Free. Open to the public. 5:30-9 p.m., 6500 Lake Haven Lane, Fairfax Station. Visit www.ekoji.org or call 703-239-0500.

Maple Ridge Ground Breaking Ceremony and Block Party hosted by Habitat for Humanity of Northern Virginia in celebration of the new Maple Ridge condominium building. Face painting, games, and a raffle. Live music performed by Common Ground. Food sponsored by Windows Catering Company. 11 a.m.-1 p.m., at 4150 Stevenson St., Fairfax. For more, see www.habitatnova.org or call Megan Coleman at 703-521-9890 ext. 111.

Scream the Prayer Tour 2008: Sleeping Giant and Impending Doom with My Children My Bride, War of Ages, Before Their Eyes, Blessed by a Broken Heart, Soul Embraced, With Blood Comes Cleansing, Here I Come Falling, A Kiss For Jersey, Agraceful and more. 1:15 p.m. All ages; \$14 in advance, \$16 at the door. Jaxx Night Club, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. Call 703-569-5940 or visit www.jaxxroxx.com.

SUNDAY/JULY 13

Birding for Beginners: Optics and Field Guides. 8-10:30 a.m. Learn

basic identification skills; programs begins with a discussion of field guides and optics. Reservations required. \$6 per adult. Huntley Meadows Park Visitor Center, 3701 Lockheed Blvd., Alexandria. Call 703-768-2525.

Saint Diablo, Occam's Razor, Property, Mercy Forgotten, Unknown, Severed Henge. 7 p.m. All ages; \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. Jaxx Night Club, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. Call 703-569-5940 or visit www.jaxxroxx.com.

MONDAY/JULY 14

Practice Your English. Conversation group for people learning English. 7 p.m. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call 703-971-0010.

What's the Matter? Chemistry with fizz, foam and flash presented by Maryland Science Center. Age 6-12. 2:30 p.m. Lorton Library, 9520 Richmond Highway, Lorton. Call to register 703-339-7385.

Practice Your English. Conversation group for people learning English. Adults. 3 p.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Call 703-451-8055.

Book Chat. A different kind of book group: Stop in to share your current favorites or just to hear what other people are reading. All ages. 4 p.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Call to register 703-451-8055.

TUESDAY/JULY 15

On the Ball. Spinny Johnson, former Harlem globetrotter, performs fun and amazing basketball tricks. Age 6-12. 7:00 p.m. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call to register 703-971-0010.

Summertime Fun. Hot stories and activities. Age 13-23 months with adult. 10:30 a.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Call to register 703-339-4610

Comics Around the World. See comics from around the world and create your own with graphic artist and author Matt Dembicki. Age 12-



Ekoji Buddhist Temple hosts the 27th Annual Obon Summer Festival on Saturday, July 12, 5:30-9 p.m., 6500 Lake Haven Lane, Fairfax Station. This Buddhist observance to honor ancestors includes Japanese folk dancing, crafts, games, a candle illumination ceremony, traditional Japanese food, temple tours, lectures and taiko drumming performed by Nen Daiko. Free. For more, visit www.ekoji.org or call 703-239-0500.

18. 7 p.m. Lorton Library, 9520 Richmond Highway, Lorton. Call to register 703-339-7385.

Lilly's Plastic Purse. Stories and activities about Lilly. Bring your camera. Age 2-5 with adult. 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Call to register 703-451-8055.

Wednesday 13 with Kysmet, Atomic Foxtrot, Morgue Rats, and more. 7 p.m. All ages; \$13 in advance, \$16 at the door. Jaxx Night Club, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. Call 703-569-5940 or visit www.jaxxroxx.com.

WEDNESDAY/JULY 16

Sun Fun. Stories and activities. 10:30 a.m. Age 2-5 with adult. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call to register 703-971-0010.

Book Discussion Group. Call for title. 7:15 p.m. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call 703-971-0010.

Artful Doodles. A graphic artist presents drawing basics in this hands-on program. Age 6-12. 10:30 a.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Call to register 703-339-4610.

Practice Your English. Conversation group for people learning English. 10:15 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Call 703-339-4610.

Reading Magic. A magic show full of comedy and good old-fashioned fun with Turley the Magician. Age 6-12. 2:30 p.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Call to

register 703-451-8055.

Pet First Aid and CPR. 6-10 p.m. A workshop to teach how to stop bleeding, handle choking, fashion splints and more. \$45 fee includes workshop and book. Reservations required. Lake Accotink Park, 7550 Accotink Park Road, Springfield. Call 703-569-0285.

THURSDAY/JULY 17

Irish Cultural Heritage Night. Enjoy the heritage with traditional music, song and dance including the "Mise Eire" poem. 7:30 p.m. Ossian Hall Park, 7900 Heritage Drive, Annandale. Free. Call 703-324-7469 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances.

Poultrygeist: Night of the Chicken Dead. 6:30-11 p.m. Spooky movie film festival with Count Gore De Vol and Lloyd Kaufman. Cinema Arts Theatre, Fair City Mall, 9650 Main St., Fairfax. Call 703-968-6853 or visit www.cinemaartstheatre.com.

Springfield Writers' Group. Share your work, give and receive feedback in a supportive setting. 7 p.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Call to register 703-451-8055.

FRIDAY/JULY 18

NVCC Annandale Symphony Orchestra Summer Pops collection. Under the leadership of Christopher Johnston. 7:30 p.m. Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield. Free. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/

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Kayakers go birding by Pohick Creek. Kayak with the Northern Virginia Conservation Trust, Saturday, July 19, 7-10 a.m., launching from 6501 Pohick Bay Drive, Lorton. Call 703-354-5093.

CALENDAR

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performances or call 703-324-7469.
Friday Flicks. Bring a lunch and enjoy stories and a short movie. Birth-5 with adult. Noon. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call to register 703-971-0010.
Ones at a Time. Short stories and activities. Age 13-23 months with adult. 10:30 a.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Call to register 703-451-8055.
Nature Photography Camp. Teens 12-16 will learn to use digital photography and printing. Images will be entered in the Friends of Huntley Meadows annual photo contest. Camp runs for five days, from 9 a.m.-1p.m. \$100, reservations required. Huntley Meadows Park Visitor Center, 3701 Lockheed Blvd., Alexandria. Call 703-768-2525.
Carnifex with A Stained Glass Romance, Knives Exchanging Hands, A Bloodbath In Boston, Rise Of Icarus, Bloodlines, Slaughter Of Innocence, and more. 5:15 p.m. All ages; \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. Jaxx Night Club, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. Call 703-569-5940 or visit www.jaxxroxx.com.

SATURDAY/JULY 19

Comics Around the World. See comics from around the world and create your own with graphic artist and author Matt Dembicki. Age 12-18. 2:30 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Call to register 703-339-4610.
Crustaceans. Learn about all the crustaceans found here in Fairfax County, maybe even in your backyard. Meet these "locals" and the other live specimens that will be on hand. 10:30 a.m. All ages. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Call to register 703-451-8055.
Kayak with the Northern Virginia Conservation Trust. 7-10 a.m. Launching from 6501 Pohick Bay Drive, Lorton. Call 703-354-5093.
Gold's Gym Grand Opening in Fairfax Station. Food, prizes, free group exercise classes and membership offers will be available from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. The new gym is located at 5620-A Ox Road, Fairfax Station.
Green Tree Frog Excursion. Look for green tree frogs, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. \$10 per family, reservations required. Mason Neck State Park, 7301 High Point Road, Lorton. Call 703-631-0013.
Bat Watching. 8-9:30 p.m. Learn about the diversity of bats with a slide illustrated lecture, then search the sky for bats. \$6 per adult, \$4 per child. Huntley Meadows Park Visitor Center, 3701 Lockheed Blvd., Alexandria. To reserve call 703-768-2525.
L.A. Guns with Faster Pussycat, Bang Tango, High 4, Sinner's Trail. 8 p.m. Age 21+. \$20 in advance, \$22 at the door. Jaxx Night Club, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. Call 703-569-5940 or visit www.jaxxroxx.com.

MONDAY/JULY 21

Practice Your English. Conversation group for people learning English. 7 p.m. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call 703-971-0010.
Books: Passport to Adventure. Listen to stories about other countries and play games children play around the world. Age 6-12. 2 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Call to register 703-339-4610.

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When Zombies Attack

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Films. “Each DVD has two shorts and some stills, including an exclusive interview with Steve Niles, who wrote the comic ‘30 Days of Night’ which was made into a movie last year. Volume 2 of the series will be available by the main October festival; volume 3 is set to come out next year,” said Prather.

The festival and the anthology series will be hosted by horror movie legend Count Gore De Vol. “We decided to have a special summer event not only to premiere ‘Poultrygeist,’ but to commemorate two anniversaries — Count Gore De Vol’s 10 year online career, as his the 35 anniversary of his television career,” said Prather.

Horror movie fans that attended previous years’ film festivals also spoke up, asking for additional festivals. “We received quite a bit of positive feedback from last year,” said Prather. “Many people wanted the events to occur year round, rather than just in October.”

The festival will include appearances by the cast of the Telly Award winning “Monster Madhouse Live,” including “Karlos Borloff” who was recently featured on “The Tonight Show with Jay Leno.”

Additionally, festivalgoers will be treated to a sneak peak at The 2008 Spooky Movie Film Festival, which will take place on October 16-19. The festival will include a question and answer session with filmmakers, along with the premiere of one feature and several short films.

Each year, up and coming filmmakers scramble to submit their films in hope of being chosen for a spot in the festival. “Well over 100 submissions from filmmakers have already been received. We will continue taking submissions through August. We feel fairly comfortable in the decision process, as in both 2006 and 2007, the chosen films went on to be picked up by Lionsgate Films,” said Prather. “Its a lot of fun for the people who attend.”

ON FRIDAY, July 18, Kaufman, the director of “Poultrygeist,” will conduct a crash course of his filmmaking master class at the University Mall Theaters.

“Students will learn basic filmmaking skills, including how to get started, how to get financed and the way to choose a production group, said Dick Dyszel, spokesperson for the Spooky Movie Film Festival. “He will also be talking about his movie, which has received great reviews. He will also be giving students tips on filmmaking straight from the source.”

The author of several books, Kaufman has taught this seminar at such institutions as his alma matter Yale University and the University of Southern California. Students who attend this two-hour class will have the opportunity view “Poultrygeist: Night of the Chicken Dead” as well.

“He has written several books on filmmaking and is quite respected in the underground film network,” said Prather. The class will take place from 5-7 p.m. Registration is \$20. “Those who show up will learn a lot, and will definitely have a good time,” said Dyszel.

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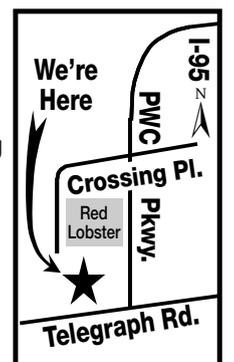
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Outgoing Fort Belvoir Installation Commander Col. Brian W. Lauritzen passes the command flag to incoming Installation Commander Col. Jerry L. Blixt during the Post's Change of Command ceremonies.

Change of Command

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been truly blessed by that support," he said. "Fort Belvoir is undergoing a major transformation and I'm convinced there is no better leader to turn over command of transformation to that Col. Jerry Blixt," said Lauritzen. "We have done this before six years ago." Blixt followed Lauritzen as the Commander of Fort Myers in 2002. Then, in a lighter side moment, Lauritzen turned to Blixt and, handing him his Blackberry, said, "As proof to my family that I really am committed to retiring I am presenting you with my Blackberry."

Referencing his and his family's planned move to Carlisle, Pa., Lauritzen closed his remarks by offering his gratitude to both the civilians and soldiers at Fort Belvoir, as well as the many contractors and political leaders of the area. "No matter where we go in life, my family and I will forever hold your hearts in the palm of our hands," he said.

"This has been the greatest place in the world for us and we'll always keep Fort Belvoir and everyone here in our thoughts and prayers. We love you all and I pray that our paths will cross again," Lauritzen said ending his speech with the military code reference to his identity, "For now, this is Eagle Six-Out."

Holding his newly acquired Blackberry, noting it was "the gift that keeps on giving," Blixt told the assembled military and civilian audience, "We are privileged today to join this command. I've had great reverence for the soldiers and everyone here at Fort Belvoir."

A NATIVE of Galesburg, Ill., Blixt is a graduate of the University of Iowa with a bachelor of science degree and has served in a number of assignments throughout his military career including Operations Officer of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G2. During that time, he was selected as the G2's Action Officer of the Year and runner up as the Army's Staff Action Officer of the Year. He also served with the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, one of the largest BRAC components relocating to Fort Belvoir's Engineering Proving Grounds in Springfield, as the Military Executive for the Director.

In addition to his graduation from the University of Iowa and the National War College, Blixt's education includes a master's degree in public administration from Central Michigan University and a master's degree in national security strategy from the National Defense University. He and his wife Debra have three children, Chris, JB and Nicole.

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pecially during last 5 minutes, as mixture can easily burn. Remove from oven and allow to cool. Add dried fruit, if desired. Store in covered glass jar in fridge. Best eaten within a week. Double recipe and freeze.

New Hope Open House

New Hope Church is having a worship service and open house Sunday, July 14, from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. to introduce its new Silo Center to the community. Tours of the new facility include a state-of-the-art auditorium, Camp Whatakid for children 5 to 12, the Silo Center preschool and a computer lab that offers training for community members. New Hope Church is located at 8905 Ox Road, Lorton. Call 888-581-3555 or visit www.newhope.org

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Aquino

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front of the White House, and we had lunch at Old Ebbitt Grill," said Aquino.

In the afternoon, she and the approximately 150 other guests were taken to the East Room of the White House, where President Bush gave a speech. He thanked the Asian American community for its contributions to the country's culture, citing specifically its influence in the military and business realms. He mentioned his administration's initiatives to strengthen America's relations with Asian countries. "When you are there, you really feel his [President Bush's] presence. He looks into your eyes when he speaks. You feel the appreciation he's giving," said Aquino.

The day concluded with a White House reception, where Aquino met the other two McDonald's employees and received a plaque.

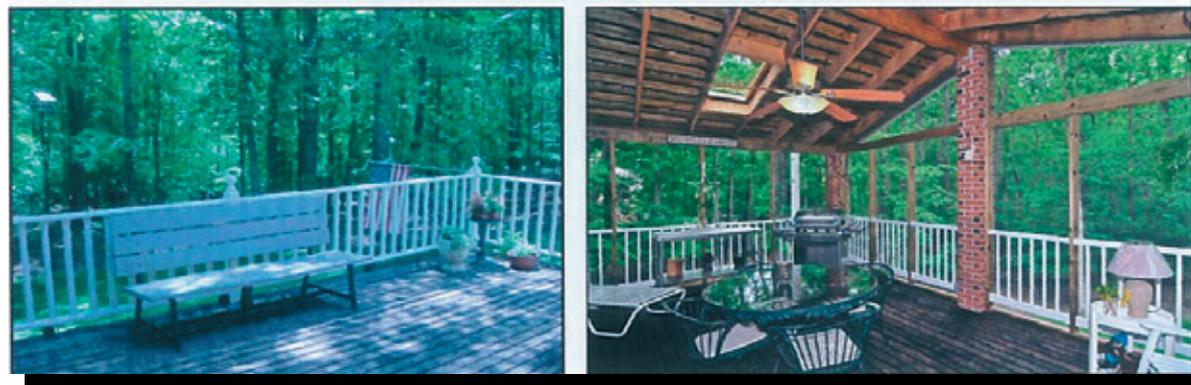
Aquino believes that her Filipino heritage has helped her succeed in her career, because she feels that McDonald's is a corporation that values diversity. "My background helps me to communicate and approach [people]," she said. "I have the best team: a white American manager, a Spanish manager, and a manager from Pakistan. It was hard to be placed together, but we talked, learned about our backgrounds, learned our strengths and weaknesses and now we work perfectly. My assistant managers are my backbone." She is a member of the Asian Network within McDonald's, which meets once a year to discuss its members' successes.

Aquino said she is grateful to the McDonald's corporation for providing her with opportunities like the White House event. "There are amazing benefits and opportunities and resources," she said. "For example, I drive a company car. And the upper management really knows you. It is hard work, but it paid off."

REAL ESTATE NOTES

In recognition of its effective advocacy programs resulting in the adoption of policies by local government agencies to increase affordable workforce housing in Northern Virginia, **AHOME** has received the **2008 Advocacy Award** from the Housing Association of Non-profit Developers. AHOME, or Affordable Housing Opportunity Means Everyone, is a non-profit coalition of community businesses, private and non profit developers, financial organizations, unions and community organizations. AHOME was cited by HAND for a variety of efforts since its founding in 1986.

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CAMPS & SCHOOLS

Osher Lifelong Learning: The New Retirement

Program keeps retirees engaged in their community.

BY KERRY O'CONNOR
THE CONNECTION

The new face of retirement has senior citizens staying in their communities and opting for a life where they might become a volunteer, get involved in the community, or even choose to go back to school.

"The growing number of older adults means the growth of a significant pool of talent in our community — as employees, entrepreneurs, volunteers, and community activists," reads the Fairfax County Committee on Aging's 50+ Action Plan.

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI), which is affiliated with George Mason University, a non-profit Institute that offers retirees and senior citizens the option of going back to school and taking university-level courses with peers. Formerly a historic home, the Tall Woods building located off Roberts Road just off the GMU campus, is now a second home to senior citizens who want to keep an active mind through classes, clubs, and special events.

"It would be a reassuring thing to know that there are fun things out there you can get involved with and not just sitting at home knitting or whatever the stereotype might be," said Thom Clement, OLLI executive director and former principal at Bull Run Elementary.

WHEN THE INSTITUTE was established in 1991, then known as the Lifelong Learning Institute, it had only 15 members. In 2004 the Institute received a Bernard Osher Grant and now has two other locations — at George Mason Loudoun and Lake Anne in Reston — with about 850 members.

Retirees come not for a degree, a career opportunity, or a resume, but for what Clement describes as the joy of learning.

"Sit down before class, and the seat mate on your left will be a former infantry officer, talking about the poetry seminar he's teaching next semester," said Paul Howard, member of the OLLI board and chairperson of the Technology Committee. "The woman on your right will be chatting about a strategy discussed in yesterday's Investment Forum."

OLLI members can choose from practical courses such as economics and finance or

based in interest such as conversational French and "Lifewriting your Monologue." Though history classes tend to be very popular, the interest in current event classes is so large they have to rent out space from a local church to accommodate.

"YOU CAN'T have a successful community if one segment of the population is not engaged and having good reasons to be there; people will move away," Clement said. "The folks that are here could have easily chosen to stay here because they like the community and they like things like OLLI that you couldn't have in a non-college town where they wouldn't have the academic support."

In addition to transportation, health care, housing, and services, the 50+ Action Plan that strives to incorporate senior citizens into the Fairfax County community talks about integrating retirees into a social community.

"The benefits [of OLLI] start with the mental stimulation and expand to the social integrations," said Pat Carroll, OLLI's president of the Board of Directors. "I have expanded the number of friends and acquaintances."

Being part of this community means giving back, and OLLI keeps its end of the bargain by offering \$2,000 scholarships to GMU students and having members serve on a variety of university boards. Clement explains this

To Register

Information is available on the Web site: www.lli.gmu.edu. Call 703-503-3384 or e-mail olli@gmu.edu.

sense of reciprocity is important because OLLI is a non-profit institution that relies on volunteers from the GMU faculty and the Fairfax County community to come and teach classes.

Though the teachers do not receive a salary, Clement says most of the teachers feel they receive other non-monetary benefits such as an engaged audience that keeps them on their toes and students who bring an entire life of experience. Of course, one of the other benefits is the absence of homework, which both students and teachers can appreciate.

"It's funny, because if there is a teacher that assigns homework, our members will say 'she's tough,'" Clement said. "It's popular though, because they like to be challenged like that."

OLLI members pay an annual fee of \$350 that gives them access to over 250 courses offered in four terms over the course of the year. Summer classes are often taught in one sitting to accommodate vacation schedules. Registration for summer term is still open and registration for fall term will be in late August.

SCHOOL NOTES

Greenspring Retirement Community presented scholarships to eight local high school students at a June 25 ceremony. Each student received a \$4,000 scholarship (\$500 per semester for four years of full-time undergraduate study). Three additional students were promised scholarships after they complete the work hour requirements of the Scholar Fund program. The 2008 scholarship winners are:

- ◆ **Meagan Antis**, West Springfield High School;
- ◆ **Deena Beshir**, Robert E. Lee High School;
- ◆ **Erica Gaughan**, Robert E. Lee High School;

◆ **Philip Marcus**, Lake Braddock Secondary School;

◆ **Shannon Middleton**, Robert E. Lee High School;

◆ **Yvette Poroj**, Lake Braddock Secondary School;

◆ **Cristian Soto Paz**, Annandale High School; and

◆ **Jenna Snyder**, Edison High School.

The three scholar nominees are:

◆ **Stephanie Allotey**, Robert E. Lee High School;

◆ **Alice Barry**, Hayfield Secondary School; and

◆ **Nicky Otabil**, Garfield High School.

CLASSES NOTES

Send notes to the Connection at south@connectionnewspapers.com or call 703-917-6459. Deadline is Friday. Dated announcements should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event.

ARTS

Workhouse Arts Center Local Youth Theatre Camps. The Workhouse Arts Center hosts two youth theater programs this summer at Woodbridge Senior High School. The second program, July 21-Aug. 1, is the ArtStar Performance Workshop. This advanced workshop for students ages 15 through 18, is a production-focused session. Students will design, build and perform a full-length production. Both programs run Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuition for the Youth Theatre Camp is \$700. Tuition for the Performance Workshop is \$450. To register visit www.lortonarts.org or call 703-495-0001, ext. 236.

Kids' Pottery Class. August pottery classes for 8-12-year olds will include wheel throwing and hand building

for children. They will learn the techniques for creating in clay, while making cool things for their rooms. Classes will be Aug. 5, 7, 12, 14, 25 and 28, from 3-5 p.m. \$275 plus \$35 materials fee includes all clay, glazes, use of studio tools and equipment and two firings. Finished pottery will be picked up about a week after the last class.

LANGUAGES

Greenspring Village's English As a Second Language (ESL).

Instruction to assist employees who want to improve their language skills. ESL classes meet twice a week. Volunteers who wish to enroll are asked to pay a \$20 registration fee to be refunded at the completion of the course. Visit www.ericksonretirement.com.

Adult English as a Second Language (ESL). Classes offered by Hogar Hispano of Catholic Charities at 24 locations in Northern Virginia. The cost is \$40 per semester. 703-534-9805 ext. 222.



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COMMUNITY

Local Charities See Increase in Foot Traffic

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center for food are a mix of immigrants mostly from Latin America and the Middle East. The other half is composed of American born residents and families making around \$20,000 a year. However, the demographics they see for financial assistance skew differently, with the percentage of immigrants coming in for help paying bills only around 15-20 percent.

When it comes to money matters, pride plays a big part in determining who came to them and who didn't, said Maryam Ulomi, LCAC's director of emergency services.

"Culturally, for example, with Latino families, asking for money has a completely different connotation than asking for food," she said. Some find it easier to ask for food.

THRIFT STORES have also seen a boon in sales since the downturn in the economy began. At Yesterday's Rose, a thrift shop on Main Street in Fairfax, shoppers can find clothes, furniture, dishware, toys and a host of other basic needs for bargain basement prices. Judy Stone, founder and manager of Yesterday's Rose, just returned from a national conference of thrift shop owners in Ohio. The message she heard there was clear: if you're going to open a thrift shop,

More

❖ **Ecumenical Community Helping Others**, 7205 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield. Hours of operation are Monday-Friday, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 7-9 p.m. 703-569-9160.

❖ **The Koinonia Foundation**, 6037 Franconia Road, Franconia. Hours of operation are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m.-12 noon and Thursday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. 703-971-1991.

❖ **Lorton Community Action Center**, 9518 Richmond Highway, Lorton, behind the Lorton Library. Hours of operation are Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 703-339-5161.

❖ **Yesterday's Rose**, non-profit thrift shop, 9960 Main St., Fairfax. Hours of operation are Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sunday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. 703-385-9517.

now is the time.

"This is a business that is almost recession-proof," said Stone, who estimated that sales have jumped anywhere from \$300-\$600 a day over the past year. "People might not be able to eat out or take vacations, but they still have the basic necessities to buy."

Stone said that apart from sales, the current economy has manifested itself in other ways. Offices that are downsizing and mov-



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The Koinonia Foundation is a non-profit Christian organization located at 6037 Franconia Road.

ing to smaller quarters will call her up to give away furniture they have no room for, and she's seen an increase in "dumpster divers," people rummaging through the trash outside her store.

For Nathan Wolfe, who is constantly sick as the result of a bad blood transfusion in 1986 that resulted in him contracting Hepa-

titis C, charities like the Lorton Community Action Center provide more than just physical assistance.

"They've helped me with furniture, clothing, bills, and food," said Wolfe, as he stopped by to pick up bread on Monday. "It's also helped me mentally, in terms of being somewhere you can turn to."

FAITH NOTES

Send notes to the Connection at south@connectionnewspapers.com or call 703-917-6459. Deadline is Friday. Dated announcements should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event.

Springfield Church of Christ is hosting a stroke, vascular disease and heart rhythm screening on Monday, July 14. Appointments begin at 9 a.m. Screenings include stroke/carotid artery, atrial fibrillation, abdominal aortic aneurysm and peripheral arterial disease. Additional screenings are available for c-reactive protein, complete lipid panel and cholesterol, glucose, and ultrasound for osteoporosis. Any four screenings for \$140; all eight for \$199. Springfield Church of Christ, 7512 Old Keene Mill Road in Springfield. Call 1-877-754-9631.

Church of the Nativity Yard Sale for Charity. Saturday, July 19, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Church of the Nativity, 6400 Nativity Lane in Burke. This yearly fund raiser helps support charitable and philanthropic causes. Call 703-455-2400.

Fellowship Baptist Church Vacation Bible School will be Monday-Friday, July 21-25, from 9-11:30 a.m. Activities include a Bible lesson, crafts, snacks and games. Free. Fellowship Baptist Church, 5936 Rolling Road, Springfield. Call 703-569-5151 or visit www.honoringGod.org.

Lord of Life Lutheran Church's second location, 13421 Twin Lakes Drive, Clifton, is now open. Worship services are Sundays at 10 a.m. Call 703-323-9500 or visit www.lordoflifelutheran.com.

Summer Nights at Lord of Life Lutheran Church:

❖ **Christine and Aleko the Res-**

cue Dog. Wednesday, July 16. Christine and her dog will demonstrate search and rescue techniques. They are part of Mid-Atlantic D.O.G.S., an organization that provides canine search and rescue teams for emergencies. Clifton/Centreville Location, 13421 Twin Lakes Drive.

❖ **NOVA Bat Lady.** July 23, 7:30 p.m. Bat World NOVA will use multimedia presentations, biofacts, and live bats to teach about these ecologically important creatures. Fairfax Location, 5114 Twinbrook Road.

❖ **The Mad Science Workshop** will present an interactive workshop that will spark the imagination of children of all ages and increase understanding of what science is really about. Wednesday, July 30, Fairfax Location, 5114 Twinbrook Road.

Free car wash, July 19, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. The Journey Church is offering a free car wash at 6427 Franconia Road. Call 703-971-0277 ext. 100 or visit journeyoffice@verizon.net.

St. Mark's Lutheran Church will offer a Rainforest Adventure Vacation Bible School July 27-31. Dinner at 5:30 p.m.; Bible school sessions 6-8 p.m. for age 3 through rising sixth grade, with crafts, music, games and outdoor fun. Take-home treats each night. Adult classes using Practicing Our Faith: A Way of Life for a Searching People. St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 5800 Backlick Road, Springfield. Call 703-451-4331 or visit www.stmarks-elca.org.

New Jerusalem Temple, 8850 Cross Chase Circle, Fairfax Station, conducts Sunday services at 10 a.m. at Halley Elementary and Bible studies on Tuesdays. Contact Pastor Florine Murphy at 703-922-3791.

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SPORTS



Keith Werman tags out an American All-Star during the 17th District's American Legion All-Star game on July 4 at Waters Field.

All-American All-Stars

Springfield Post 176 Sends Five to District 17 All-Star game.

A group of local standouts celebrated the nation's birthday in typical American fashion — by playing in an American Legion All-Star game.

The Springfield Post 176 team sent five players to represent the 2008 American All-Stars in American Legion Baseball District 17's All-Star game at Waters Field on July 4. Comprised of high school players from Hayfield, Lee, Bishop Ireton, and West Springfield, the squad teamed up with Falls Church Post 130, Fairfax Post 177 and Alexandria Posts 24 and 129 to comprise the American All-Stars. They played representatives from Vienna Post 180, Lorton Post 162, Annandale Bicentennial Post 1976 and Centreville Post 1995, which made the National All-Stars.

The Post 176 players were first baseman/catcher Taylor Kewer (Hayfield), infielder Eddie Boddie (Bishop Ireton), shortstop Josh Brown and Lee representatives Ryan Davis and Andrew Sanders.

As of press time, Post 176 has a 9-10 record. Vienna Post 180 is currently leading with a 14-4 showing. On Tuesday, Post 176 dropped an 8-3 decision to Alexandria Post 129.

—ERIC J. GILMORE



Five players from Springfield represented the American All-Stars at the recent annual American Legion All-Star game.

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The National All-Stars salute the American flag on the Fourth of July.

Plenty of Local Ties At Tiger-less Tournament

Reporter chronicles tales from the recent AT&T National.

BY MICHAEL K. BOHN
SPECIAL TO THE CONNECTION

Jerry Potter has been a golf writer and reporter for most of his adult life, and for once, he was on the other side over the tape recorder.

"This is strange. I'm usually the one asking the questions," USA Today golf writer Jerry Potter said at the start of a recent interview. "I've been reporter for 35 years, but I rarely do the talking."

Over lunch at the media center during the AT&T National at Bethesda's Congressional Country Club, Potter, 60, spun some yarns about his long and satisfying career as a sports journalist.

After college and reporting jobs at the "Nashville Banner" and the Jackson, Miss. "Clarion-Ledger", the latter a Gannett newspaper, he began a temporary assignment at the chain's fledgling "USA Today" in 1983. After a year of general sports reporting, including colleges and the NFL, Potter took a permanent position with the nation's first truly national paper.

"My editor had me cover NASCAR because I talked funny, just like the drivers," he said of his southern accent. Simultaneously, he began reporting on professional golf, starting with the 1984 LPGA Dinah Shore Nabisco championship (now the Kraft Nabisco, an LPGA major). "I learned how to cover a pro tournament by reporting on the LPGA Tour," he said,

crediting the openness and accessibility of both the tour staff and players.

Potter expanded his reporting to the PGA Tour in 1996, and in recent years, has enjoyed writing about golf equipment and course design. He travels extensively, alternating tournament assignments with the paper's other golf writers.

Potter has lived since 1984 in the Franconia. He commuted to Rosslyn when "USA Today" was headquartered there, and now drives to his office in the paper's current building in McLean. That is, when he's in town.

"I've lived in Franconia for years," said Potter, who is single, "but I'm gone so much that I'm still kind of a stranger."

Asked about his own golf game, Potter answered with one word, "Bad." He plays occasionally, and said that many a great player has tried to help. "I'm just not an athlete."

A PROFESSIONAL on the Nationwide Tour stopped by the AT&T National for a busman's holiday. Kris Blanks, who attended Robert E. Lee, and now lives in Frederick, Md, hit the Nationwide jackpot on June 1 when he won a Tour event. His winnings so far this season, \$212,068, virtually assures the 35-year-old journeyman's graduation to next season's PGA Tour.

As Blanks walked onto the practice range on Tuesday of tournament week, he wore a mile-wide smile as equipment sales reps and players shook his hand. "Maybe I'll be here next year," he said.

WITH THE RECU- PERATING Tiger Woods absent from his signature golf tournament, fewer fans turned out for the event. Official figures reflected about a 25 percent drop overall, but Sunday's gate was seemed even smaller



COURTESY OF MICHAEL K. BOHN

Kris Blanks, a former Springfield resident and current Nationwide Tour player, should be on his way up to the PGA Tour next year.

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SPORTS



PHOTO BY CRAIG STERBUTZEL/THE CONNECTION

Third baseman Martin Parra of the Clark Griffith All-Stars makes a play during his team's game against the Maryland All-Stars in Vienna last Saturday night.

Late Fireworks Boost Locals

Clark Griffith League All-Stars, comprised of teams from Fairfax, Vienna, Arlington and McLean, beats Maryland stars, 4-3.

BY RICH SANDERS
THE CONNECTION

Local metropolitan area fans were treated to some of the best collegiate level baseball anywhere over the Fourth of July holiday weekend at the 2008 Joe Branzell All-Star Game in Vienna.

The showcase contest, in which the Clark Griffith League All-Stars, made up of players from Virginia, Wash., D.C. and Maryland teams, took on the Maryland Collegiate Baseball League All-Stars. The game took place on Saturday night, July 5 in the heart of Vienna at Waters Field.

The Clark Griffith League, made up of seven teams, hosted the game. The classic wooden bat All-Star game is named after Branzell, a longtime coach and supporter of the 63-year old Clark Griffith League. Branzell, who died in 1997, served as a scout for over 30 years with the old Washington Senators and Texas Rangers.

For baseball faithful who appreciate a hard-playing, fundamentally sound brand of ball, Waters Field was the place to be on Saturday night. Most of the contest was a pitching dominated affair as both teams used a handful of talented pitchers to keep the opposing offenses at bay. But it was a late-game home run by the Clark Griffith League team that changed the game's momentum and led the home team to a dramatic 4-3 come-from-behind win.

With his team trailing 3-2 with two outs and nobody on in the bottom of the eighth inning, A.J. Kirby-Jones, a first baseman for the Fairfax Nationals of the Clark Griffith

League, gave his team a huge lift when he belted a high, towering, opposite field solo home run over the right field fence that tied the game at 3-3.

Two batters later, Mike Bokman of the D.C. Grays gave the Clark Griffith team the lead for good with a soft line-drive single into left field that plated teammate Nick Kuroczko (Vienna Senators), who had coaxed a walk following Kirby-Jones' homer.

Tall right-handed pitcher Jimmy Dugan (Vienna Senators) of George Washington University retired the Maryland team's side in order in the ninth, including two strikeouts, to earn the save and clinch the win for the Clark Griffith stars.

Gaining the mound decision for the winning team was JD Polcari (Fairfax Nationals), a right-hander from Burke who pitched just 2/3's of an inning in the eighth in a short relief outing.

Kirby-Jones, a collegiate player at Tennessee Tech University, was not certain his home run was going to clear the fence when he hit the ball.

"It was one of those hits where you're not sure," said Kirby-Jones, who started the contest as a Clark Griffith substitute. "I saw the outfielder backing up and saw the ball clear. It feels good to come through against a team like [the Maryland stars]."

Kirby-Jones, who competed in a pre-game Home Run Derby, said he enjoyed meeting and playing with stars from around the Clark Griffith League.

"It's always fun and you are always trying to do the best you can for your teammates."

NVSL Swimming Report

On July 13, the Northern Virginia Swim League (NVSL) will hold its annual Wally Martin 3-meter Diving Championship at Lee-Graham Pool in Falls Church. The event, which annually attracts more than 100 divers, ranging in age from 8 to 18, is the league's high dive championship.

The 10-and-under girls will start at 8 p.m., with 55 minutes intervals occurring for the junior girls and boys (ages 11-12), the intermediate division (ages 13-14) and senior division (ages 15-18).

The results will be posted on the NVSL-Dive Web site at www.nvsl-dive.nvblu.com

In NVSL Division 11 action, the **Arlington Forest Tigers** recorded their first victory of the season, defeating the **Rolling Hills Seahawks**, 224-178.

Double event winners for the Tigers were Carl Buegler, Bryn Edwards, Adrianna Gorsky, Jake Huston, Michelle Moriarty and David Palmer. Single event winners were Matthew Allen, Zoe Edwards, Clayton Miller, Eric Newton, Philip O'Doherty, Christopher Palacios, Elizabeth Palmer, Malin Serfis and Rebecca Wroblewski.

Elizabeth Palmer, Hannah Aiken and Clare O'Doherty swept the Girls 50-meter 15-18 backstroke, helping to clinch the Tiger victory.

The **Dowden Terrace Dolphins** have squeaked out two victories to start their historic 50th season of making waves in the NVSL. Both

a two-point win over the **Forest Hollow Gators** and 20-point triumph against the **Parliament Panthers** were not decided until mixed-age Dolphins hit the relay waters at the end of the meets. The Dolphins are coached by Evan Stiles, who was recently in Omaha, Neb. to help current William & Mary swimmer Katie Radloff compete in the U.S. Olympic Trials.

The **Dominion Hills Warriors** lost against **Fox Hunt** of Springfield, 208-184. The Dominion Hills double winners were James Hughes, Erinn Spack and Eric Weiner. Single winners for the Warriors were Maddy Berner, Matthew Ellis, David Hughes, Mikaela Kelley, Gregory Lemek, Daniel McCreedy, Anna Sophia Nix, Andrea Oaxaca, Mackenzie Ullom, and Abby Young. The 15-18 girls 200-meter medley relay of Maddy Berner, Haley Sanner, Andrea Oaxaca and Erinn Spack broke a pool record with the time of 2:16:41.

The **Dominion Hills Warriors** opened their 2008 season in Division 8 with a 207-194 loss to the **Parliament Panthers** in Springfield. The double winner highlights for Dominion Hills were Gwen Bobst and Alex Brown. Single winners for the Warriors were Daniel McCreedy, Gregory Lemek, Erinn Spack, Grayson Sanner, Abby Young, Patrick Morris, Mikaela Kelly, Eric Weiner, David Hughes, Nathan Hughes and Andrea Oaxaco.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Hill Headed to Tulsa

The University of Tulsa publicly released its 2008 spring crew signing class, which includes recent West Springfield grad Kelly Hill, who spent the last two years as a member of the varsity eight boat.

This past season, Hill's boat finished fifth in the Virginia State Championships and advanced to the semifinals at the Stotesbury Cup. She plans to study art at Tulsa.

"Kelly rows in one of the most competitive high school areas in the country and is a very good athlete," said Tulsa head coach Kevin Harris said. "She brings to Tulsa a determination and a hunger for good rowing that will help our freshman class be very strong. I believe Kelly is going to grow into a serious leader on our team here at TU."

Harris expects the eight recent signees to bolster an eight fall 2007 recruits to bolster the incoming class to 16 student-athletes.

Johnson Fails In Last Bid For Olympics

Allen Johnson, the gold medalist in the 110-meter hurdles at the 1996 Olympics failed in what is likely his last bid to make the Olympic team. At the U.S. Olympic Trials in Eugene, Ore. this past weekend, Johnson, a 1989 Lake Braddock graduate and seven-time U.S. outdoor champion, pulled out of a preliminary heat after the fourth hurdle when he irritated a previous leg injury he suffered in March.

Johnson, 37, who was gunning for his fourth Olympic team, did not rule out a possible run at the 2012 Games, but did say he is likely done for the 2008 season.

Iroquois Nationals In Semifinals at U-19 World Games

The Iroquois Nationals lacrosse team, consisting

of members of the Six Nations of the Iroquois Confederacy advanced to the semifinals of U-19 World Games with a 28-2 win over Scotland. The Iroquois will now face host Canada, who won a 15-12 contest on July 5, in the semifinal on July 10. The Nationals are hoping to top a fourth-place finish, where they've placed the last three World Games dating back to 1998.

Established in 1983, the Iroquois Nationals represent the Haudenosaunee, meaning the "People of the Longhouse" in international lacrosse competition.

The Iroquois, which signed a partnership with Nike, Inc. two years ago, have long been recognized as originators of the modern game of lacrosse. The players, 95 percent of whom play in college, travel with Haudenosaunee passports. The Iroquois are comprised of the Six Nations Confederacy, including the Mohawk, Oneida, Onondaga, Cayuga, Seneca and Tuscarora tribes.

Most of the roster is derived from Ontario, Canada as well as Upstate New York. Yet the head coach, Tony Gray, was the head coach at Oakton where he won three consecutive Virginia AAA state championships from 2003-2005. He led the Cougars to a state title berth again this year, and retired from coaching after the season.

The other Iroquois representatives include defenseman Forest Cox, a Potawatomi descendent and attackman Andrew Cordia, a Choctaw descendent, who scored two goals in the quarterfinal game. Cox is a rising senior at West Potomac, while Cordia attends St. Stephen's & St. Agnes, where he was an All-Interstate Athletic Conference selection last season.

The Nationals have lost to the United States, as well as Canada by a combined eight goals. However, the Iroquois have blasted past Japan, England, Australia and Scotland by a combined 52 goals en route to a 20-goal per game average.

In November 2007, the Iroquois U-19 dominated the inaugural Madlax Capital Classic in Washington D.C., with Cordia ranking second in points at the tournament with nine goals and two assists.

The U-19 World Games, which started on July 3 will finish on July 12. Games are being played at Percy Perry Stadium in Coquitlam, British Columbia

Local Ties at AT&T Tournament

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because the Tour set early tee times to beat the thunderstorms. Fans who arrived at noon found that half the field had finished and the leaders making the turn. On

the fifth hole, marshaled by Vienna's Westwood Country Club, Joe McGuire thought the crowd was down by half. "There's a big difference this year," McGuire said on Sunday. "Plus, the buzz is different without Tiger."

Scout Completes Project, Helps Wildlife

Boy Scout builds shelters for wildlife at Huntley Meadows Park.

BY SARA RONKEN
THE CONNECTION

Despite the intense heat and overwhelming humidity, 13-year-old Cole Rosenberg and a crew of 45 to 50 volunteers spent Friday and Saturday, June 27 and 28, building brush pile shelters for the wildlife at Huntley Meadows Park in Alexandria.

In the hopes of gaining Eagle Scout status in Boy Scouts of America, Cole began organizing a project that would help out the surrounding community. He spoke with several businesses regarding possible donations and was in almost constant contact with Huntley Meadows Park officials. The plan was to build brush pile shelters in an effort to restore the meadows.

"The forest is overwhelming the meadows," said Cole. "The project will help to reintroduce the meadow habitat and facilitate the restoration of the meadow."

Cole's mother, Cheryl Rosenberg, was supportive of the project. "I thought it was a great idea," she said. "Cole got to see how important the park can be to animals and the role it plays in animal habitats."

The team spent both days building shel-

ters made of logs and brush. They used 40 trees and about 43,000 cubic feet of brush for the project. The volunteers included friends, family, people from Cole's church and members of his youth conference.

Ryan Colpitts, a friend of Cole's from school, was one such volunteer. Ryan, 12, decided to help out with the project and was at the park on both Friday and Saturday. "I was doing really badly in math and he helped me out," said Ryan. "I was just returning the favor for a good friend."

Cole's mother and father also helped out. "It was neat to see a group of people working for a common goal to improve nature," said Cheryl Rosenberg. "I think it was important to the people who go to Huntley Meadows all the time to see that people were taking time to preserve it and make it a better place."

The shelters will allow for more animals to inhabit the park. Prior to the completion of the project, the forest and surrounding residential areas were making it difficult for the meadows to survive. Now with more brush pile shelters and less trees, the meadows are reappearing and attracting more animals.

"The animals will be able to find shelter



PHOTO BY SARA RONKEN/THE CONNECTION

Boy Scout Cole Rosenberg worked with 45-50 volunteers to build brush pile shelters at Huntley Meadows Park.

when it rains," said Ryan. He was able to witness a snake seek refuge under the newly made shelters mere days after the shelters were completed.

Dave Lawlor, the natural resource manager at Huntley Meadows Park, explained to Cole how the park's wildlife was in need

of brush pile shelters. "A lot of species require those kinds of habitats to survive," said Lawlor.

"It was definitely hard but it was rewarding," Cole said. He is now one step closer to gaining Eagle Scout status in Boy Scouts of America.

8 Local Scouts Earn Eagle Awards

After finishing projects, Scouts participate in May 10 Eagle Court of Honor.

Eight Boy Scouts from Troop 1538 in Springfield received their Eagle rank at an Eagle Court of Honor, on Saturday, May 10, at the Springfield Ward, Annandale Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The eight young men awarded Eagle rank included Cooper Allen, Levi Barraclough, Matthew DeAngelo, Michael DeAngelo, Samuel Gates, William Gates, William Mallon and Matthew Nielsen. Springfield Supervisor Pat Herry (R-Springfield), along with stake, ward and Troop 1538 leaders, spoke at the ceremony. Herry recognized and thanked the new Eagle Scouts for their service to the community.

EACH SCOUT successfully completed their Eagle Scout projects Cooper Allen, a junior, at West Springfield

High School, collected over 400 winter coats for Reston Interfaith. Levi Barraclough, a junior at West Springfield, organized a group of young men to construct and mount new bat houses for Accotink Park. Matthew DeAngelo, a senior at South County Secondary School, led an effort involving woodland conservation. Michael DeAngelo, a junior at South County, collected personal supplies for the Aschiana Orphanage in Afghanistan. Samuel Gates, a West Springfield senior, cleared non-native plant species from a Fairfax County conservation park. William



The eight members of Scout Troop 1538's Eagle Court of Honor are, from left, Samuel Gates, William Mallon, Cooper Allen, Matthew Nielsen, Michael DeAngelo, William Gates, Levi Barraclough and Matt DeAngelo.

Gates, a sophomore at West Springfield, designed and constructed rolling racks for the West Springfield band program. William Mallon, a West Springfield junior, partnered with Echo, Inc. of Springfield and

organized and managed a food drive at two local grocery stores to support Echo's cause. Matthew Nielsen, a junior home-school student, organized a food drive for Reston Interfaith.

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Support Group for Patents of Young Adults with Asperger Syndrome and Related Disorders. Jewish Social Service Agency (JSSA) sponsors the support group. The group focuses on building support networks, identifying community resources and balancing parents' needs with those of adult children with special needs. Meetings are on July 23 and Aug. 27, from 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., at JSSA, 3018 Javier Road, Fairfax. Call 703-204-9100 to register.

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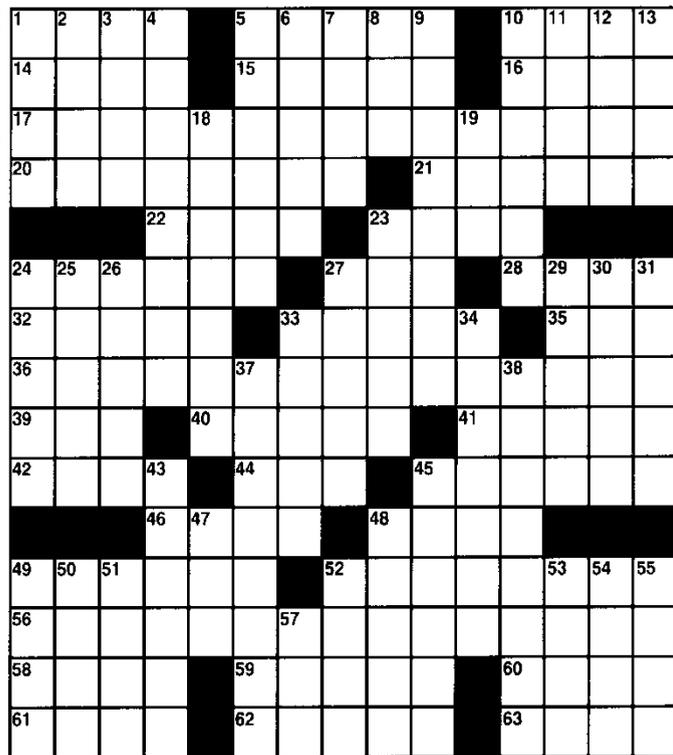
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- 16 Fad item of 1961
- 17 Basketball's Archibald injured the Dalai Lama, palindromically
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- 24 Soprano Maria
- 27 Wham!
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- 36 Assail rioters dressed in gray, palindromically

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- 39 Sphere
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- 44 Darn site
- 45 "Well, _____!" ("Ain't you hot stuff!")
- 46 Control spot
- 48 Shiny on top?
- 49 Flattened at the poles
- 52 Petty cash in London
- 56 "What a shame your footwear is missing," palindromically
- 58 Vampire's hideout
- 59 Measurer
- 60 Track event
- 61 Mind
- 62 Finished
- 63 "For heaven's _____!"

- 5 English counties
- 6 Certain carving
- 7 "Diary of _____ Housewife"
- 8 Caught up with
- 9 Bargain hunter's delight
- 10 "So long"
- 11 Jot
- 12 Clancy hero Jack
- 13 Spanish woman
- 18 Popular vacation locale
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- 23 Annuls
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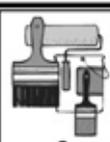
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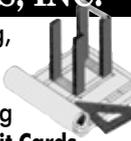
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**NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S
SALE OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT
6234 QUANDER ROAD, ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22307
SALE TO BE HELD AT 4110 CHAIN BRIDGE ROAD, FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA 22030
JULY 11, 2008
AT 10:00 A.M.**

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

ALL CASH. The property will be offered for sale "AS IS, WHERE IS" and will be conveyed by Substitute Trustees' Deed (the "Substitute Trustees' Deed") subject to all encumbrances, rights, reservations, conveyances, conditions, easements, restrictions, and all recorded and unrecorded liens, if any, having priority over the Deed of Trust, as they may lawfully affect the property.

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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.

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/s/ Henry F Brandenstein, Jr.

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In execution of a deed of trust from Mirna Hernandez to Deborah Cutchins and Denise Storey dated November 30, 2006, and recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for Fairfax County, Virginia in Deed Book 19288, Page 867, securing \$340,000.00, H & E Services, Inc., a Virginia corporation and the undersigned trustee, will offer for sale at public auction real property located at 6497 Milva Lane, Springfield, Virginia 22150 and known as Lot 115, Section 2, Westhaven, and more thoroughly described in the aforesaid deed of trust. The sale will take place at the main entrance to the Circuit Court for Fairfax County, Virginia on Friday the 18th day of July, 2008, at 11:17 a.m.

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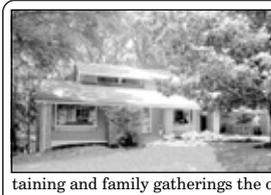
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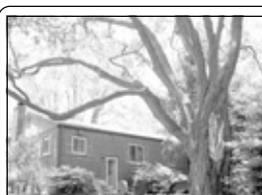


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