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Mr. President,
What will you
do for Woman
Suffrage?

Lynne Garvey-Hodge, commissioner of Fairfax County History Commission, is dressed as Mrs. Robert Walker for the Occoquan Suffragist Memorial Ceremony and Ribbon Cutting on Sunday, July 27.



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'I'm a Suffragette'

Turning Point Plaza dedicated to foremothers of women's suffrage.

BY DEREK B. JOHNSON
THE CONNECTION

Down the road from Occoquan Regional Park in Lorton, Alice Paul, Lucy Burns and scores of other women were arrested and imprisoned July 14, 1917 after picketing Woodrow Wilson's White House under the banner of women's suffrage. Though both major political parties at the time had platforms in favor of giving women the right to vote, neither would go so far as to support a constitutional amendment compelling every state to do so.

"We developed mutually this idea of creating a memorial to suffragists at the park."

— Mary Grace Lintz, Fairfax County League of Women Voters

Prison officials subjected Burns and 122 of her crusading sisters of the National Woman's Party (NWP) to various forms of abuse until word leaked out. Disturbed by the news of this treatment, public opinion shifted in favor of the suffragists, helping to pave the road that eventually led to the ratification of the 19th Amendment by the U.S. Congress in August 1920.

It was, according to Mary Grace Lintz, presi-

dent of the Fairfax County League of Women Voters, a "turning point" in the battle for a woman's right to vote. It was fitting, then, that the memorial her organization worked to have dedicated to Burns and those women Sunday, July 27 at Occoquan Regional Park would bear the name Turning Point Plaza.

"We take our roots from the suffragist movement," said Lintz.

Though the memorial is still in its conceptual stage and not expected to be built until 2010, that didn't stop the League of Women Voters (LWV) from putting on a show. A tent next to the plot was set up with signs modeled after the ones used by NWP members in the early 20th century posted around the grounds. Those signs bore phrases like "All This Comes of Teaching Girls to Read" and Mothers Train the Voter, Why Not Vote." Actors strolled around in period appropriate clothing, posing as central figures in the historic struggle, also depicted in the recent HBO film "Iron-Jawed Angels." The actor portraying President Wilson received a hearty round of boos from the crowd when introduced, followed by laughter.

"We're here honoring women who knew that following their principles would lead them to jail," said Nancy Tate, executive director for the National League of Women Voters.

IN A SPEECH given from the perspective of imprisoned suffragist "Mrs. Robert Walker," historian Lynne Garvey-Hodge of Clifton gave a full account of what the 123 women went through. Detailing events such as having rotten fruit thrown at them while picketing, the confiscation of all their possessions after being arrested and the bond of unity developed between the female prisoners and the similarly disenfranchised black prisoners.

"President Wilson should see how silly it is to fight World War I for democracy while 21 million women

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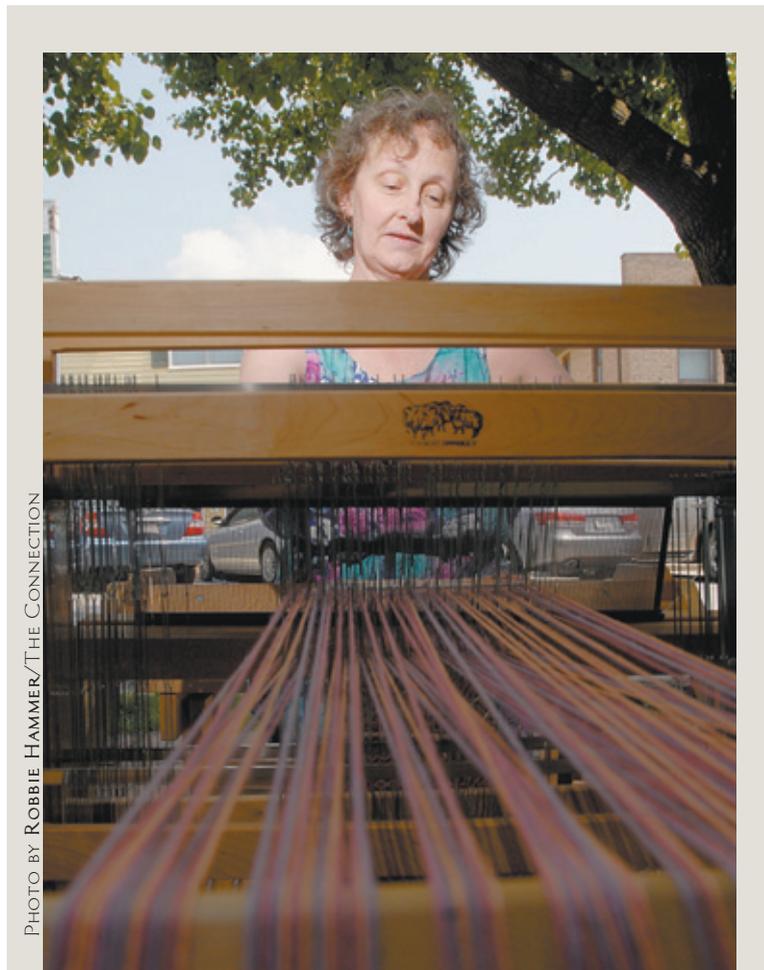


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Sue Helmken of Fairfax Station demonstrates traditional weaving as part of the Occoquan River Festival on Sunday, July 27. Festival activities took place at the Occoquan River Regional Park, Belmont Bay, the Workhouse Arts Center and the Town of Occoquan.

Charity To Close Childcare Center

Fresh hopes of parents dashed as Salvation Army makes decision.

BY DEREK B. JOHNSON
THE CONNECTION

After telling parents last week that they would reconvene to discuss options for keeping University View Childcare Center open, Salvation Army officials reaffirmed their intentions this week to close the facilities.

"University View will be closing at the end of September," said Capt. Joe Burton, who oversees the childcare center. Those comments were made the day before Burton and members of the advisory board were scheduled to meet July 29 with University View Director Stacy Burke and parent James Chu.

That meeting was the latest in a string of meetings conducted over the past few weeks between parents and Salvation Army officials since news of the center's closing was released to staff and parents. The original intent of the July 21 meeting was to inform parents of the Salvation Army advisory board's unequivocal intention to close the center by Sept. 30. However, officials were forced to backtrack after being bombarded by comments from angry parents, who argued they were kept out of the loop in regards to the center's financial difficulties. Chu presented a proposal to dramatically increase the center's revenue. His plan, based on the financial figures provided by the board to justify the closing, would finance the center through December and

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PHOTO BY SAM FUNT/THE CONNECTION

Carolyn Owen and Susan MacIntyre are dressed in traditional clothing from the World War 1 era as part of the Turning Point Plaza Dedication on Sunday, July 27, in Lorton. The League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area and the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority hosted the event.

Fairfax Provides Family Leave

The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors approved a paid parental leave program July 21.

Men and women working for the county will have the option of two paid weeks of leave when their baby is born, or they adopt or foster a child starting in September. The new parents will have a year after the arrival of a child to take advantage of the benefit.

"As a county, we want to have a family friendly work environment," said chairman Gerry Connolly (D), who initiated the program.

Currently, county employees who are new parents can use a combination of sick and other types of leave to take paid time off after a child arrives. In some circumstances, coworkers can transfer their leave to a new parent if he or she does not have enough of his or her own paid leave available.

The additional two weeks of leave would be available on top of these options. The federal government requires the county to give new parents 12 weeks off after the arrival of a new child, though it does require the leave to be paid.

Every supervisor supported the measure, though Pat Herry (R-Springfield) said he would like to have more clarity about its fiscal impact.

In its write up to the board, county staff said they did not expect the new policy to have great fiscal ramifications but also indicated they did not know how much it would cost. Each government department would be expected to absorb the impact of new parents taking leave in current fiscal year, which ends July 1.

U.S. Rep. Tom Davis (R-11) was a sponsor of similar legislation that would provide four weeks of paid leave for federal employees. Connolly is running to replace Davis, who is not seeking re-election, in the U.S. Congress.

— JULIA O'DONOGHUE

2nd Admin Building Advances

The Fairfax County School Board voted to move forward with contract negotiations for a second central administration building July 24, though several members expressed trepidation about the public's reaction to the purchase.

One School Board member, Springfield representative Liz Bradsher, voted against the measure, saying public outreach about the acquisition had been inadequate. The others sided with officials pushing for the building, arguing that the \$122 million project would pay for itself and result in long-term savings for the school system.

"It would be imprudent for us not to look into this seriously," said School Board member Stu Gibson (Hunter Mill.)

The schools' central administration hopes to move some of its departments and offices out of leased space and old schools scattered throughout Fairfax and into the building, conveniently located next to the school system's current headquarters in Merrifield.

The office consolidation would reduce spending on energy, gasoline, custodians and other items, eventually generating enough savings to pay for the building itself and more, said staff.

Without the consolidation, the building-purchase money would not materialize and therefore, the board does not have the option of using it for other purposes, they said.

"It will not divert money from the classroom. These savings cannot occur if we do not consolidate," said School Board member Tessie Wilson (Braddock.)

Wilson and other school board members added that the consolidation is also necessary because certain sites that currently house administrative offices are slated to be schools again. New housing and population resurgences in certain parts of the county are expected to yield more children than some area schools can handle, they said.

"We cannot turn these buildings back into schools until we have a place to put the personnel," said Wilson.

Proponents of the building purchase also point to cost savings from the "first phase" of the school system's central administration.

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NEWS



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The casket of former State Sen. Joseph V. Gartlan Jr. is wheeled from Good Shepherd Catholic Church following a Mass of Christian Burial.

Tributes for Gartlan

Former State Sen. Joseph V. Gartlan Jr. remembered for his character.

BY CHUCK HAGEE
THE CONNECTION

There is a saying, "Eagles don't flock. You have to find them one at a time." That may be true. But, eagles can draw a flock to them. Particularly if he is a natural born leader.

That was proved beyond a shadow of a doubt Wednesday afternoon, July 23, at Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Mount Vernon District when an overflow crowd packed the main church and an adjoining room to pay their last respects to former State Senator Joseph V. Gartlan Jr.

Gartlan died July 18 at Inova Mount Vernon Hospital after a short illness. He was 82.

The 90-minute Mass of Christian Burial encompassed both a tribute to his years of service as well as to the life he lived and the standards he set, for both himself and those who would be his friends and those he befriended.

As stated by Father Matthew Hillyard, one of four participating priests, at the outset of the service celebrating Gartlan's life, "Joe loved his Catholic faith and the Democratic Party."

The latter was attested to by the presence of two former Virginia governors, past and present cabinet members, state and local legislators and various representatives of the Democratic Party establishment. The former was evidenced by the service itself.

Hillyard also noted that he was surprised to see the Gartlan family seated on the right side of the church. "They always sit on the left side, as would be expected of such a devout Democratic family,"

said Hillyard, to the crowd's enjoyment.

"Our presence here is a small token of our support for the family. Joseph Gartlan fell in love and stayed in love with all that he championed — family and causes. The Gospel guided Joe's entire life," said Hillyard.

"Joe Gartlan's life teaches us that integrity and character are always a part of both our public and private lives. At the base of what we do here today is Christian love. Love conquers everything — even death," Hillyard said.

Those sentiments were echoed by former Virginia Gov. Gerald L. Baliles who described Gartlan as, "A public servant, private man, and friend of many. His insistence on goals often prompted me to refer to him as Saint Joe The Gartlan. He never found an adequate substitute for public service."

Referencing Gartlan's influence and powers of persuasion, Baliles noted that those characteristics sprang from his "keen intellect that exerted power far beyond" the 36th Senatorial District. "I appreciated most of all his integrity and commitment," Baliles said.

"Joe Gartlan's genetic code was a man of many personal drives. His first rule was 'Be a legislator of unbending principles. The first of which was remain flexible at all times,'" according to Baliles and drawing more laughter.

"He believed strongly that we are all stewards of this earth. None of his efforts were more significant than those on behalf of mental health," Baliles said.

He was followed to the podium by Supervisor Gerald Hyland (D-Mount Vernon), who recalled that his first encounter with Gartlan was as a young lawyer who faced off against the very accomplished late senator while arguing a case in a Loudoun County Court room years ago. "That was something I will never forget," he said.

Speaking of Gartlan's involvement in a myriad of

"Joe loved his Catholic faith and the Democratic party."

—Father Matthew Hillyard

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Gartlan Remembered

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local causes following his retirement in 2000 from the Virginia Senate, Hyland said, "Joe never really retired. When he came to Mason Neck, I gained a very active and vocal new constituent."

Citing Gartlan's participation on the Citizens Alliance Rescue Effort, CARE, created to preserve and enhance Inova Mount Vernon Hospital when it was rumored that Inova Health System planned to close it, Hyland noted the irony of the timing of Gartlan's death. On the night that IHS representatives met with CARE's offspring, the Southeast Health Planning Task Force, July 16, to guarantee the hospital's future, Gartlan was unexpectedly absent. Unbeknownst to his fellow Task Force members, he was a patient in that very hospital a short walk from the Mount Vernon Government Center meeting site.

"Joe's service on the Task Force was a major factor in our success. Preserving Inova Mount Vernon Hospital was the last victory he achieved," Hyland said.

Hyland had established a Web site for people to send their remembrances of Gartlan. He read a number of them to the audience including one from State Senator Linda T. "Toddy" Puller who succeeded Gartlan in representing the 36th Senatorial District.

In closing Hyland thanked the Gartlan family for "sharing Joe with all the people." He assured them, "We love him. We miss him. But, we will never forget him."

When it came time for the family response, Father

Charles McCoart Jr., pastor, Good Shepherd Catholic Church, spoke for them. He thanked all those in attendance and those who could not be present for all "their support and outpouring of love."

"The family feels extremely fortunate to have had Joe for all these years. As his one granddaughter described him, "he was awesome," McCoart said.

"His life was exceedingly well lived. And, good or bad you always knew where Joe Gartlan stood and where you stood with him," he said.

PRIOR TO the presentation by Baliles and Hyland, several of the Gartlan children and grandchildren read passages of scripture and lead prayers for many causes championed by Senator Gartlan throughout his life — both as a practicing attorney and as a public servant.

Following the service, a large funeral procession, led by a phalanx of Fairfax County Motorcycle Police, accompanied his body to Mount Comfort Cemetery on South Kings Highway where it was interred. Following the burial the family had a reception at the Belle Haven Country Club.

In addition to his wife of 58 years, Fredona Manderfield Gartlan, Joseph Gartlan is survived by four sons and two daughters plus seven grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to New Hope Housing, 8407 E. Richmond Highway, Alexandria, VA 22309 or United Community Ministries (UCM), 7511 Fordson Road, Alexandria, VA 22306.



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Getting To Know ...

Bill Barlow, participant in Virginia Governor's Foreign Language Academy.

BY ESTHER PAK
THE CONNECTION

Bill Barlow is a lifelong resident of Fairfax, and a rising junior at Robinson Secondary School. He was one of two students from Robinson nominated to participate in the Latin Academy at Virginia's Governor's Foreign Language Academies.

Virginia's Governor's Schools serve more than 7,500 of the state's most able students with challenging programs beyond those offered in their home schools.

In this three-week residential Latin program at Virginia Commonwealth University, Barlow was introduced to classical Greek along with further intensive study of Latin.

How did you first find out about the Governor's School program?

My teacher of two years, Magistra (magistra means teacher in Latin) Zeiner, suggested that I apply. She expressed confidence in my interest in and aptitude for the Classics.

When and why did you first become passionate about Latin?

There hasn't ever been a remarkable moment when I realized I loved Latin. It's more something that grows on you if you keep at it. I've found charm in it for the lack of word order. The expanse of time between their world and ours also strikes me whenever I hold a piece of Ancient literature. What the study of Latin does for me is sort of preface the present, it provides context for society today.

Describe a typical day at Governor's School.

They expected all 45 of us to be at the VCU cafeteria for breakfast by 7:25 each morning. After breakfast, we would attend three, one-hour classes on a block schedule, determined by the day of the week. On certain days it would be Greek, sight reading and epigraphy. On others we would attend conversational Latin, medieval Latin and religion. We would then eat lunch and commence with afternoon activities. Some students worked on a play by Plautus, others adapted scenes from Snow White for presentation on the final day. There was also a contingent of students compiling pictures and such for a yearbook-esque memory DVD. Professors and distinguished members of the Classics community regularly visited us and imparted their knowledge in the lecture hall. After dinner, we would watch movies and after mail call they permitted us to enjoy free time before lights were out at 10:45.

What was your favorite aspect about Governor's School?

Every member of our community could contribute in some way. I haven't kept company with such an intelligent group that could relate to me and appreciate my little puns and eccentricities. We understood each other and basked in the enthusiasm of the faculty. It almost angered me to return home because the dynamic at Governor's school was so stimulating.

Any challenges? Absorbing the Greek language in about eight classes was definitely challenging. We were also presented with difficult Latin passages to sort through. I can't say that I disliked any of it though. How can you dislike something so engaging?

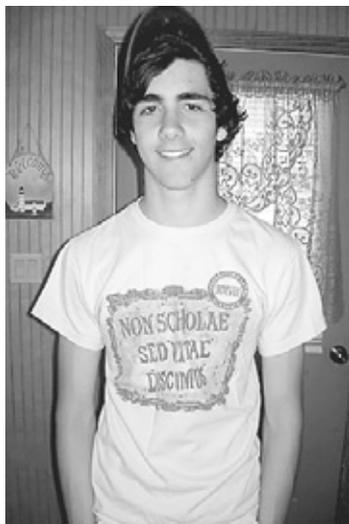
Do you see yourself pursuing a further study of Latin in the future? If not, what are some other future goals or ambitions you have for yourself?

If I could choose one grammatical construction to adequately summarize my thoughts about pursuing the Classics, it would be Future Less Vivid. I'm curious about a lot of things and I couldn't at this point restrict myself. I know I will forever enjoy delving into the past in one way or another. In terms of ambitions for the future, I simply want to wake up and do something that makes me happy most every day.

Who has been your biggest inspiration? My uncle, Carlton Sexton, has always been an inspiration to me as he's engaged me intellectually and is willing to have conversations about anything.

What would you tell someone who is considering Governor's School? Expect challenges accompanied by a completely open experience. If you're willing to relinquish inhibitions and reservations about standard education, you can experience something unconventionally enriching.

What are some of your extracurricular interests and activities? I read a lot on the side and collect comics. I also program for a robotics team and help out on my school's newspaper. Debate is enjoyable for me and I have been known to attend a few Model U.N. conventions. Though I'm not a Christian, I sing in the choir at my parents' church. I also like to play the guitar a little when I'm alone. A new addition to my activities will probably be reading classical literature independently. Upon returning home I bought a Latin copy of Ovid's "Metamorphoses" and a couple books to continue studying Ancient Greek.



Bill Barlow

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PROFILE

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VIEWPOINTS

What is your favorite Summer Olympic sport?



"Pole vaulting."

Steve Courtemanch, Centreville



"Swimming."

Ramsey Nofal, Clifton



"Aquatics and diving."

Wendy Leedy, Centreville



"Swimming. It's really fascinating to watch."

Laura Kehoe, Clifton

— ESTHER H. PAK

PEOPLE NOTES

The Leadership Fairfax Institute Program, built around community issues and skill development, and the Emerging Leaders Institute, focusing on skill building and community service, have announced their 2008 graduates:

Lai P. Chan, Dreams in USA Team, Fairfax.

Tyler D. Corey, Fairfax County Sheriff's Office, Fairfax.

Laura M. Harrington, Balance Technology Group Inc., Burke.

Darryl R. Ladd, Cox Communications, Fairfax.

Heisung J. Lee, Korean Central Senior Center, Fairfax Station.

Thomas Roberts, Roberts Education Corporation, Fairfax.

Jeanne R. Sanders, Volunteer Fairfax, Fairfax.

Patricia M. Stevens, Fairfax County Department of Systems Management for Human Services, Burke.

Kathy D. Wheeler, Community

Business Partnership, Lorton.

Alan D. Wooten, Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board, Fairfax.

Chris Caldwell, BB&T Bank, Springfield.

Richard Eberhart, Online Resources Corp., Fairfax.

Meti Fekadu, Fairfax County Economic Development Authority, Burke.

Lesley Green, Girls On the Run of NOVA, Fairfax.

Laura Martin, New Hope Housing, Burke.

Claudia McDowell, Fairfax County Department of Family Services, Springfield.

Jessica Pettry, Northrop Grumman, Fairfax.

Mark Sites, Fairfax County Sheriff's Office, Fairfax.

Melissa Smarr, Fairfax County Government, Fairfax.

Monita Sun, ManTech, Springfield.

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Childcare Center To Close

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possibly June of next year. Members of the advisory board initially rejected that consideration.

"If the center was making money, would it stay open?" asked Chu.

"The answer is no," said Keith Clark, chairman of the advisory board.

That answer was pointed to by numerous parents as evidence that the board was not being honest with them about their reasons for closing. The meeting ended only because the board announced its decision to reconvene over the next two-10 days to reconsider the matter, inviting Chu and Burke to join them.

"We're going to table this discussion," said board member Barry Bateman. "Allow us to table this and reconvene together to reconsider what needs to be reconsidered."

The impression that many in attendance got was that the viability of Chu's proposal would play a factor into whether board members changed their minds or not. That was apparently not the case, according to Burton on Monday, who stated that the board's decision to close the center would remain final, regardless of the July 29 meeting. When asked why he and members of the board were meeting with Chu and Burke if nothing they said would change the outcome, Burton responded that it was a matter of courtesy.

"[Maj. James Allison] told the parents at the meeting that the board would reconvene over the next two-10 days and meet with them and so I'm honoring that request," said Burton.

Staff members were first informed that the center was closing July 10. Assistant Director Duan Boomba described the mood of the staff as a mixture of sadness, anger and frustration.

"We function here as a family. The staff, kids and parents, it's all a second home for us," said Boomba. "There's sadness in the fact that we might be losing that. There's frustration and anger on the side of finding out in such a poor manner."

STAFF MEMBER and chef Laneica Hughes said the staff was as taken aback by news of the center's financial woes as the parents were.

"We were so blindsided by it all," said Hughes, who said she had worked at University View since 2004 and had never heard that the center was losing hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Hughes also expressed frustration at the center's seeming unwillingness to aggressively advertise. The center has no advertising budget and its main source of marketing is word of mouth. After enrollment dipped to 45 children several years ago, staff and parents handed out flyers, conducted silent auctions

and fund raisers for the school, resulting in enrollment almost doubling to 86 as of last week. Parents and staff believe those efforts are proof that keeping news of the center's money problems from them left the Salvation Army with no viable way of making the center a profitable enterprise.

"We were like a hidden treasure because a lot of people didn't know about us," said Hughes.

Boomba said that the staff's general feelings echoed Burke's comments at the July 21 meeting, in which she stated that while the staff is in support of keeping the center open through June of next year, they could not support a measure only extending the closing until December. Burke said the strains of holding a staff and curriculum together under the cloud of December's closing was too much for her to ask her staff.

"For us, it's all or nothing," said Burke at the meeting.

Boomba reiterated those comments, citing staff members' need for the job security that comes with the full school year.

"We have full-day kindergarten here that runs on the same academic calendar as Fairfax County schools here," she said. "As a parent, who would you put your child in here for three months and then uproot them to another school?"

Boomba said that she was never made aware who was responsible for the center's closing. Confusion about what to do or who to contact was widespread among the staff and parents. That confusion was partly caused by inconsistent answers given by multiple Salvation Army officials regarding who originally proposed closing University View and who ultimately had final say in the matter, according to parents and staff members.

Gary Brown, who sits on the Salvation Army's advisory board, initially declined to comment for the board.

"I don't have any comment to make at all. I think it's important that the Salvation Army speak with one voice and I don't speak for the Salvation Army," said Brown.

When asked if he sat on the Salvation Army's advisory board that handled the center's closing, Brown agreed. When asked about the board's role in the closing, Brown responded that they simply made a recommendation and were not responsible for the decision.

When asked who was, Brown responded "The local commander and [Territory Headquarters in] Atlanta."

Chris Priest, director of communications for Southern Territory Headquarters of the Salvation Army, said they usually depend on the local commanders to manage their own affairs.

"Those kinds of decisions are usually made on a local level," said Priest. "We have to be aware of it, but it's not our decision to close a local program."

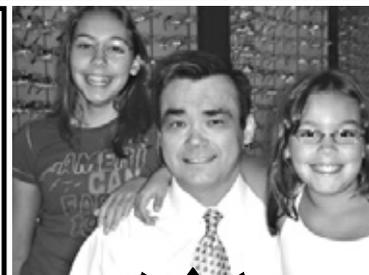
Burton said the process the Salvation Army goes through when making these decisions made pointing the finger at any one individual impossible and unproductive.

"The board unanimously approved the closure of the University View Childcare Center," said Burton, who said that after the board made it's recommendation, the proposal went to Maj. Steve Morris, the local commander for Virginia and Washington D.C., then the Divisional Finance Board, then Territorial headquarters. "The process was followed all the way up and back down the line without dissent."

"We function here as a family. The staff, kids and parents, it's all a second home for us."

— Duan Boomba

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OPINION

Seeking More Diversity at TJ

Start by nurturing passion for science in young students from all backgrounds.

Why does it matter how many students of different ethnic or racial groups apply or are accepted to Fairfax County's world-famous math and science magnet school?

The problem isn't so much what happens at Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology. In a county of more than a million people, and more than 165,000 public school students, the population at TJ is a drop in the bucket.

What matters is how the county is nurturing passion and talent for math, science and other subjects in all 137 elementary schools and then in its 26 middle schools.

In 2004, a Blue Ribbon Commission addressed concerns about under-represented minority groups at Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology. The under-represented groups are African-American and Latino students, who do not apply for admission in numbers proportional to their enrollment in the school system.

That commission recommended that admissions look at students more holistically and depend less on strict cutoffs of grade point averages and test scores.

We don't really know how that "holistic approach" has worked in the admissions trenches. The initial pool of applicants to be considered has about doubled, but the number African-American and Latino applicants has, if anything, decreased.

The 2004 commission found black students accounted for 1.1 percent of TJ's students and Hispanics making up 2.4 percent. And though

one out of five students in Fairfax County is poor enough to qualify for free and reduced-price meals, only one out of every 100 students at TJ is poor by the same standards.

THE STUDENT population granted admission for fall 2007 was about 1.86 percent African-American (nine students) and 2.06 percent Hispanic (10 students).

It's time for schools to consider each individual student. Every first grade teacher in every elementary school should be asked to identify a half-dozen to a dozen students who have interest in math and science. All students should be exposed to hands-on science, field work in the natural world and experiments that will light up the interests of young minds.

Of course we know that the current curriculum is supposed to accomplish this, and that high stakes testing in elementary school has also put more focus on certain areas. But we wonder whether the focus on testing has forced more of an academic, paper and pencil approach, rather than investing in the excitement of discovery.

But by having a list starting in first grade and moving forward through elementary school of students with passion for science, the schools will have data and resources to nurture these students. It's a powerful motivator for a teacher to tell a student as young as six or seven or eight that he or she has a special talent or love for science, or math, and that the student might want to consider being a scientist when he or she grows up.

Applying to TJ

Eighth grade students who live with their parent or legal guardian who resides full-time in a participating school district (the counties of Fairfax, Arlington, Fauquier, Loudoun, or Prince William or the city of Falls Church) are eligible to apply to Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology. See <http://www.fcps.edu/news/tj.htm>, or <http://information.tjhsst.edu/admissions/>

Focusing on individual children in elementary schools that have the highest percentage of poor children is also essential.

THIS SORT of approach will result in more students, of all races and economic background, excelling in math and science across the board, not just at TJ.

But in addition, half the slots at TJ should be assigned by middle school, on a percentage basis, so that students from different geographic locations in the county have guaranteed access to the school. And encouraging students who qualify for free-and-reduced meals, students who are from poor families, is also critical.

Real passion for science, the kind of passion that results in young men and women choosing careers in science, is not measured in test scores and grades. It's measured in enthusiasm and attention. If as school board members say, they want to see TJ add to the number of people who go on to be leaders in math and science, they'll have to find a way to foster and measure passion and interest.

A recent proposal to have a 3.0 grade point cutoff for applicants is not a step in that direction.

— MARY KIMM,

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Criticizing by Complimenting

To the Editor:

It seems to be an in vogue way of slamming some one by labeling them "elite." A recent [letter to the editor] repeatedly used the term "elite(s)" in conjunction with the Democratic Party ["Less Taxing Solution," Connection, July 23-30, 2008.]

The dictionary has several explanations of "elite" and most are complimentary. For instance, Green Berets, an elite military force.

"A group or class of persons or a member of such a group or class, enjoying superior physical, intellectual, social, or economic ability," so in a way this editorial tries to slander a group of people who share a political ideology by complimenting them? I want the "superior" people working for us for the

purpose of a better Virginia, and for that matter a better United States.

But then when you look further into the intent of the [letter], it creates more oddities by twisting reality even more by throwing out various numbers and outdated information in what is clearly an extension of the political tactic of "distraction and deception."

LETTERS

Like the praising [State Sen. Ken] Cuccinelli (R-37) for his never ending efforts to insert his egotistical display of self-presumed superior moral authority and religious exclusivity into his role of participating in the governing our state, while he and his party subordinates do everything they can to stubbornly stall every effort of rational compromise in our state legislature.

This [letter] continues with "to take a trip down memory lane to

1998 when state spending was \$17.5 million" without including the fact that gas was \$1.03 per gallon! Also at this time, [James] Gilmore (R) was our governor and our state finances were in a shambles after he and [Gov. George] Allen (R) neglected their responsibilities to govern for all Virginians, not just their narrow minded "no tax" base.

It took Democratic Governor [Mark] Warner to save our AAA bond rating by standing up to the selfish "I got mine" crowd who bleats "no taxes" as they walk toward the cliff of financial irresponsibility. Yes, Warner raised taxes, but only enough to correct the damage done by the two previous administrations that followed their political dogma at all costs.

Comparing our 2008 budget to the budget of 1998 (10 years!) as a way of justifying the blending of reality with political purpose is disingenuous — to put it nicely. Or

possibly this [letter] is from a confused and recent transplant that has a limited comprehension of the population and business growth in Virginia over a 10-year span. I have lived in Virginia for over 40 years, most of my life, and the change in any 10-year period for Virginia has been dramatic.

But I'd bet this editorial is more driven by political motivations than any sense of moving Virginia forward in a responsible way. And that is the last thing we need — more people looking out and their ideologies, religious and political beliefs and ultimately — for themselves. We need responsible politicians do their job; to learn from each other, compromise, and "work it out" for the best result for all Virginians.

James Ross
Springfield

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Some 14 Fairfax County Public Schools graduates from the class of 2008 were named winners of college-sponsored scholarships by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC). Recipients of college-sponsored scholarships from the NMSC, with their probable career fields in parentheses, are:

❖ **Neal Norman** of Lake Braddock Secondary School (international political economics), National Merit Fordham University scholarship.

❖ **Olivia Bonin** of Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology (TJHSST) (art-communication), National Merit University of Southern California scholarship.

❖ **Emily Feeney** of TJHSST (music performance), National Merit University of Rochester scholarship.

❖ **Stephen Houck** of TJHSST (music), National Merit University of Rochester scholarship.

❖ **Mohit Iyyer** of TJHSST (engineering), National Merit Washington University in St. Louis scholarship.

❖ **James McAtamney** of TJHSST (computer science), National Merit Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute scholarship.

William McGrath of TJHSST (electrical engineering), National Merit Purdue University scholarship.

❖ **Robert McMullin** of TJHSST (physics-environmental science), National Merit New College of Florida scholarship.

Geoffrey Miller of TJHSST (medicine), National Merit University of Oklahoma

scholarship.

❖ **Rathna Ramamurthi** of TJHSST (law), National Merit New York University scholarship.

❖ **Melanie Szwajkowski** of TJHSST (law), National Merit Northwestern University scholarship.

❖ **Cayla Wallwork** of TJHSST (chemistry), National Merit New York University scholarship.

College-sponsored Merit Scholarships provide between \$500 and \$2,000 annually for up to four years of undergraduate study at the institution financing the scholarship. Nationwide, approximately 8,300 students have won Merit Scholarship awards in 2008.

Six teachers from Fairfax County Public Schools have been awarded Fulbright Teacher Exchange grants and will travel abroad during the 2008-09 academic year.

The Fulbright Teacher Exchange grant recipients are:

❖ **Theresa DeFazio**, health and physical education teacher at Poe Middle School.

❖ **Kyle Julian**, third-grade teacher at Virginia Run Elementary School.

❖ **Inge Pisano**, French teacher at Oakton High School.

❖ **Ronielle Romney**, English teacher at South County Secondary School.

❖ **Janis Sotherden**, English for speakers of other languages (ESOL) teacher at Holmes Middle School.

❖ **Rebecca Watt**, social studies teacher at Stuart High School.

The Fulbright program is the U.S.'s flagship international educational exchange program and is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Since being

established in 1946, the program has provided more than 286,000 individuals—including more than 108,000 Americans and more than 178,000 students, scholars, and teachers from foreign countries—with the opportunity to observe each other's political, economic, educational, and cultural institutions and to exchange ideas or to embark on joint ventures benefiting the general welfare of the world's inhabitants. The program operates in more than 155 countries.

Two Annandale High School teachers will serve as ambassadors of education and culture in India as part of the Rotary Foundation annual Group Study Exchange. Meredith Hedrick, who teaches English for speakers of other languages (ESOL), and Niki Holmes, who teaches English, were selected for the exchange program, which will take place during the coming winter. Annandale High School is a Fairfax County public school.

Each year, professionals who are selected by a panel of Rotary International members are sent to various countries around the world to establish goodwill and promote peace by sharing cultures and making personal contacts. Through the Group Study Exchange, Hendrick and Holmes will develop relationships with organizations and individuals in India.

Arman Carter, a rising junior at Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology, will join an Earthwatch Institute expedition this summer to study food availability and feeding behavior of grey whales off the coast of British Columbia in Canada.

In August, Carter will join five other high school student volunteers from the United States, Canada, and Korea to work with principal investigators William Megill, assistant professor of biomimetics at the University of Bath in England, and Lei Lani Stelle, assistant professor of biology at Rochester Institute of Technology, and several other university students and project assistants. The volunteers will help researchers inventory the whale population, study their feeding behavior, and measure the abundance and distribution of prey. The project will collect information using divers and surface boats outfitted with underwater video, sonar, and a robotic submersible. Carter, a resident of McLean, was awarded a Delmarva fellowship to cover expedition costs.

The Earthwatch Institute research project, now more than a decade old, is building a geographical predator-prey model on grey whales and their ecosystem, which describes their habitat, the whales' use of it, and the distribution and abundance of prey. One goal of the project is to use this research to help create a conservation plan to protect grey whales, who have experienced sharp population crashes in certain summer feeding areas.

Carter is considering a career in science and sees the Earthwatch expedition as an opportunity to understand what field research work is like. He views habitat protection and sustainable practices as they relate to energy and other natural resources as possibly the greatest challenge of his generation.

Commerce Bank recently announced the recipients of its annual American Dream Scholarship program, which awards \$1,000 to local graduating

seniors who achieve both academic excellence and serve the community.

In Fairfax County, Commerce Bank gave scholarships to:

❖ **Kristen Skopowski**, a Fairfax resident, who graduated from Chantilly High School. Skopowski plans to attend the University of Delaware in Newark, Del. Throughout high school, Skopowski was active in the National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, community service, and an AP Scholar and honor roll student.

❖ **Tabitha Wood**, a Lorton resident, who graduated from Washington International School. Wood plans to attend Columbia University in New York, N.Y., and major in economics. Throughout high school, Wood was active in volleyball, journalism, the Darfur anti-genocide movement, and an Al Newtharh Free Spirit Scholar for excellence in student journalism.

Community and Recreation Services' Teen Services Division is offering five summer camps for Teens. While basically free, attending teens will need to provide their own lunch and there is a small fee for field trips. The camps run now through Aug. 7, running from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tentative sites are at the following middle schools — Poe, Hughes, Liberty, Irving and either Sandburg or Twain. Information can be picked up at the Teen Center Hub sites (South County Government Center, James Lee Community Center, Reston YMCA, Mott Community Center and Irving Middle School) at this time. Space is reserved on a first-come, first-served basis. Each camp is limited to 60 participants. Call 703-324-TEEN (8336), TTY 711.

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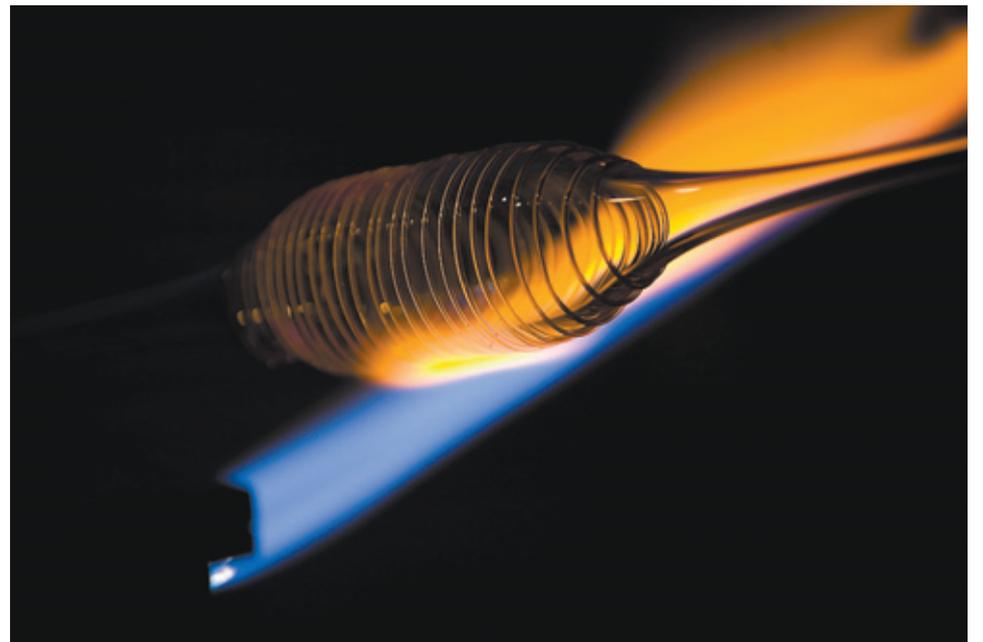
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FINE ARTS



Michael Higgins puts the final touches on the globe for the hummingbird feeder on Tuesday, July 22, in the studio at New Dynasty Glassworks & Gallery in Fairfax. New Dynasty has four employees who create glasswork for wholesale.



Michael Higgins heats a glass rod that he is going to turn into a hummingbird feeder. Higgins makes hummingbird feeders for stores in the area.

Liquid Fire

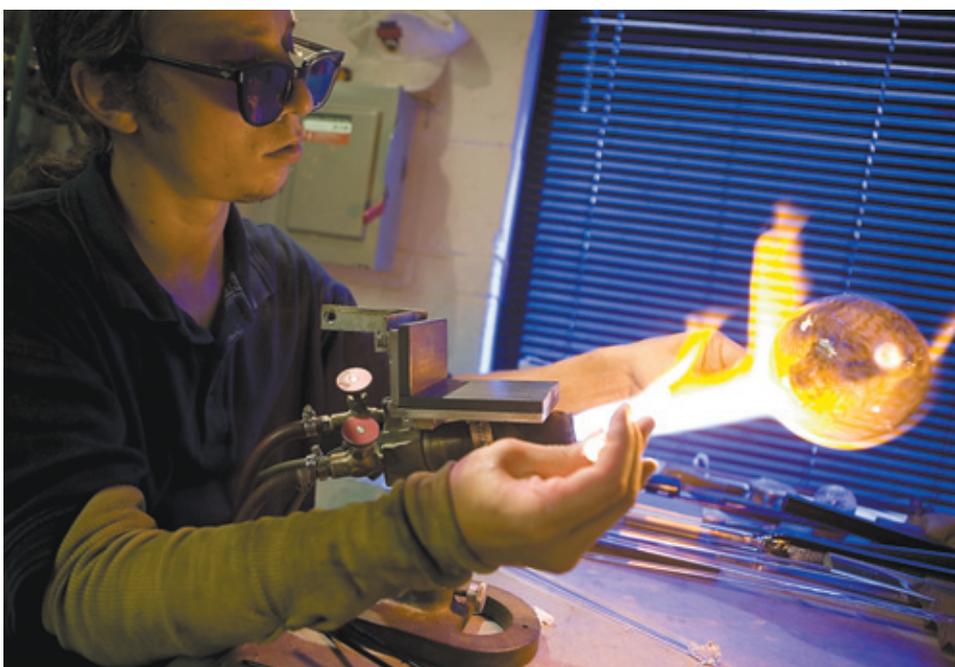
Fairfax glassworks offers classes for novice and advanced glass blowers.

New Dynasty Glassworks & Gallery is owned and operated by Michael Higgins and his mother Cherry Brown. Michael Higgins began glass blowing in 1999 and opened New Dynasty in the fall of 2004. New Dynasty is located at 8440-A Lee Highway in Fairfax. Classes in both basic

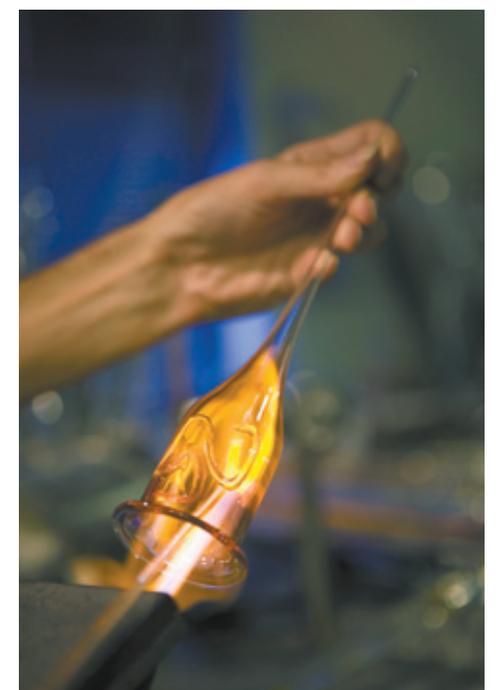
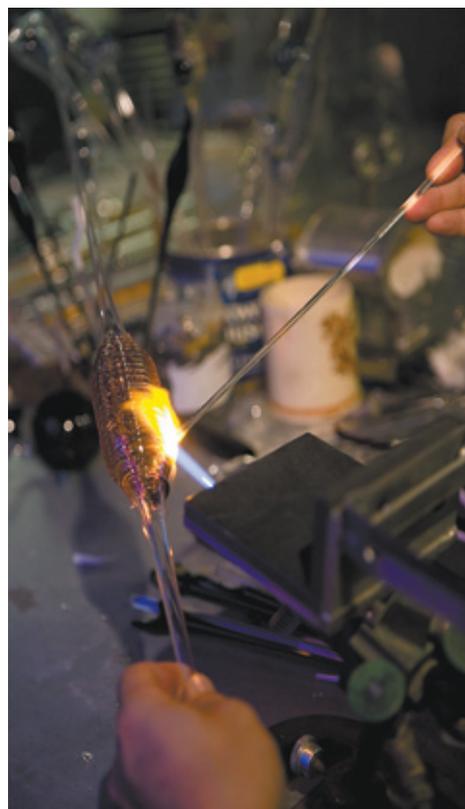
flame working and hollow-form work are offered at New Dynasty. Private lessons are also available for glass blowers ranging in skills from beginners to advanced. Bench time in the studio is available for rent for both hobbyists and professionals. To reserve a spot in the upcoming September class call 703-560-0961 or visit www.newdynastyglass.com.

— PHOTOS AND TEXT BY SAM FUNT

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Higgins shapes the globe for a hummingbird feeder. Higgins does a type of glass blowing referred to as flame work. He has been glass blowing since 1999.



Higgins creates a design on the glass rod as he works on making a hummingbird feeder.

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A Day at the Beach with Under the Sea.

See creatures you'd find at the shore and learn about sand, waves, tides and sun. Age 6-12. 10:30 a.m. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call to register 703-971-0010.

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Traditional African music, dance and stories. 2:30 p.m. All ages. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Call to register 703-451-8055.

Nature Detectives: Cool it.

10-10:45 a.m. Children ages 3-5 learn how animals stay cool in summer. Story, activity, crafts. \$5 per child. Huntley Meadows Park Visitor Center, 3701 Lockheed Blvd., Alexandria. Call 703-768-2525.

FRIDAY/AUG. 1

Friday Flicks.

Bring a lunch and enjoy stories and a short movie. Birth-5 with adult. 12 p.m. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call to register 703-971-0010.

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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.

SATURDAY/AUG. 2

Martial Arts: A Family Affair.

Program includes martial arts demonstrations by students from Bushido Studios. Kingstowne Library,

6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Call to register 703-339-4610.

Kayak with the Northern Virginia Conservation Trust.

7-10 a.m. Launching from Mason Neck State Park, 7301 High Point Road, Lorton.

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SUNDAY/AUG. 3

Suspyre, Odin's Court, Dark Empire, Wisteria and more.

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MONDAY/AUG. 4

Practice Your English.

Conversation group for people learning English. No registration necessary. 7 p.m. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call 703-971-0010

Clowning Around.

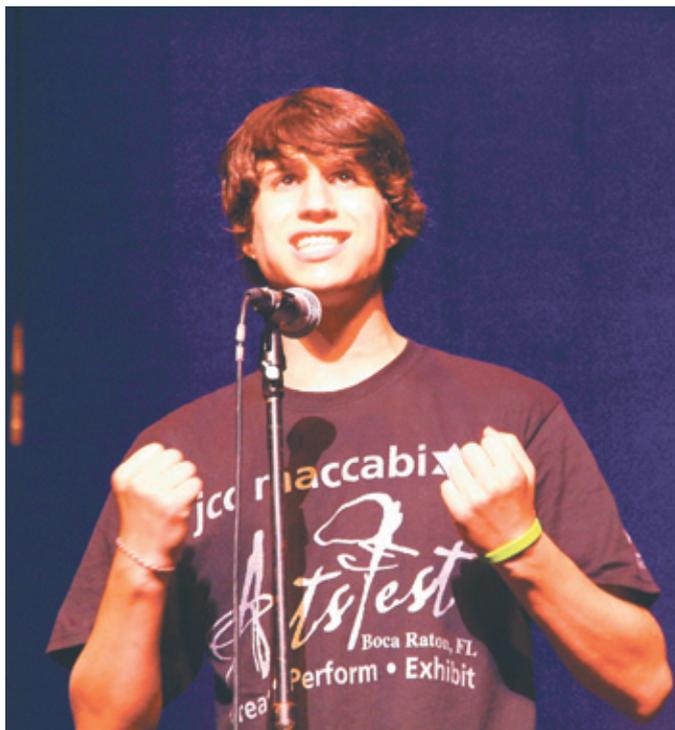
Learn all about being a clown in celebration of National Clown Week. Hands-on balloon activities will be included. Age 8-12. 1 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Call to register 703-339-4610.

What's the Matter?

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required. Appointments preferred; call 1-866-256-6372. All ages. 2-7 p.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Call to register 703-451-8055



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

TUESDAY/AUG. 5

The Dog Days of Summer.

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.

WEDNESDAY/AUG. 6

Anime Night.

Come watch anime movies and discuss your favorites. Age 13-18. 6 p.m. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call 703-971-0010.

A Day at the Beach with Under the Sea.

See creatures you'd find at the shore and learn about sand, waves, tides and sun. Age 6-12. 2:30 p.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.

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THURSDAY/AUG. 7

Peruvian Cultural Heritage Night.

Celebrate Peru's cultural heritage with dancing, poetry reading, music, crafts and food. 7:30 p.m. Ossian Hall Park, 7900 Heritage Drive, Annandale. Free. Call 703-324-7469.

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Learn how to play games that kids from different countries around the world play. Age 6-12 2:30 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Call to register 703-339-4610.

Daytime Book Discussion Group.

"Ciao America" by Beppe Severignini. 12:15 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Call 703-339-4610.

FRIDAY/AUG. 8

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5 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/AUG. 9

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MONDAY/AUG. 11

Sunny Stories.

10:30 a.m. Stories to make smiles. Age 24-35 months with adult. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Call 703-339-4610.

Practice Your English.

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

Sunny Stories.

Stories that make you smile. Age 24-35 months with adult. 10:30 a.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Call to register 703-339-4610.

The Nicolo Whimsey Show.

Nicolo the Jester shares his juggling,

clowning and comedy. Age 6-12. 10:30 a.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Call to register 703-451-8055.

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

Book Chat.

Stop in to share current favorites or 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/AUG. 12

Lighters and Matches Are Tools for Grown-ups Only.

A puppet show presented by the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department. Participants will receive a helmet, activity book and parent brochure. Age 3-7 with adult. Lorton Library, 9520 Richmond Highway, Lorton. Call to register 703-339-7385.

WEDNESDAY/AUG. 13

Lunch Bunnies.

Bring lunch and the fun will be supplied. Age 1-5 with adult. Noon. 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.

THURSDAY/AUG. 14

Traditional Folk Music Night.

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Keith Caputo, the lead singer of Life of Agony, will perform Wednesday, August 6 at Jaxx Night Club.

CALENDAR

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Andrew Acosta performs traditional folk blues and bluegrass. With The New Old-Time String Band and Speedy Tolliver. 7:30 p.m. Ossian Hall Park, 7900 Heritage Drive, Annandale. Free. Call 703-324-7469 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances.

The Nicolo Whimsey Show. Nicolo the Jester shares his juggling, clowning and comedy. Age 6-12. 10:30 a.m. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call to register 703-971-0010

Balloon Animals. Learn how to make your own balloon animal. Age 6-12. 1 p.m. Lorton Library, 9520 Richmond Highway, Lorton. Call to register 703-339-7385.

FRIDAY/AUG. 15

Kings Park Concert Band. 55 adult volunteers under a professional conductor will play Big Band style. 7:30 p.m. Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield. Free. Call 703-324-7469 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances.

Friday Flicks. Bring a lunch and enjoy stories and a short movie. Birth-5 with adult. 12 noon. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call to register 703-971-0010.

Teddy Bear Picnic. Stories, songs, and activities about teddy bears. Bring your favorite bear. Age 2-5 with adult. 10:30 a.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Call to register 703-451-8055.

Gorgeous Frankenstein with BellaMorte, The Banner, and more. 7 p.m. All ages; \$18 in advance, \$20 at the door. Jaxx Night Club, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. Call 703-569-5940 or visit www.jaxxroxx.com.

SATURDAY/AUG. 16

Sting Things. Who are the creatures that can sting? Learn about the bugs and even a plant that can sting, as

well as how to avoid getting stung. 10:30 a.m. All ages. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Call 703-451-8055.

Kayak with the Northern Virginia Conservation Trust. 7-10 a.m. Launching from Mason Neck State Park, 7301 High Point Road, Lorton.

MONDAY/AUG. 18

Discover Art. Play bingo around the world, participate in reader's theater and make an international craft. Age 6-12. 2 p.m. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call to register 703-971-0010.

Practice Your English. Conversation group for people learning English. No registration necessary. 7 p.m. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call 703-971-0010

Practice Your English. Conversation group for people learning English. No registration necessary. Adults. 3 p.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Call 703-451-8055

TUESDAY/AUG. 19

Mother-Daughter Book Discussion. Call for title. Age 9-11 with adult. 7 p.m. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call to register 703-971-0010.

It's a Colorful World. A rainbow of 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

WEDNESDAY/AUG. 20

Book Discussion Group. Call for title. 7:15 p.m. No registration necessary. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call 703-971-0010.

Practice Your English. Conversation group for people learning English. No registration necessary. 10:15 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. For more information, call 703-339-4610.

THURSDAY/AUG. 21

Vietnamese Cultural Heritage Night. Celebrate traditional and folk Vietnamese music and dance. 7:30 p.m. Ossian Hall Park, 7900 Heritage Drive, Annandale. Free. Call 703-324-7469 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances.

Springfield Writers' Group. Share work, give and receive feedback in a supportive setting. No registration necessary. 7 p.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Call 703-451-8055.

FRIDAY/AUG. 22

Night Music. Classic rock and top 40s hits. 7:30 p.m. Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield. Free. Call 703-324-7469 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances.

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Flintroll with Warbringer, King of Heresy, Apothys, Dark Alliance. 7:30 p.m. All ages; \$25 in advance, \$28 at the door. Jaxx Night Club, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. Call 703-569-5940 or visit www.jaxxroxx.com.

SUNDAY/AUG. 24

Live Show. Alejandro Fernandez performs 8 p.m. at the George Mason University Patriot Center. Tickets range are \$58-\$203 per person and available through all Ticketmaster outlets, including the Patriot Center box office, or via Phonecharge at 703-573-SEAT, 202-397-SEAT or 410-547-SEAT. For more, see www.patriotcenter.com.

MONDAY/AUG. 25

Practice Your English. Conversation group for people learning English. No registration necessary. 7 p.m. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call 703-971-0010

Parkway, Fairfax. Call 703-324-4891.

TUESDAY/AUG. 5

Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting. 9 p.m. Fairfax County Government Center, Board Auditorium, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Call 703-324-1280, TTY 711.

Animal Services Advisory Commission. 7:30-9:30 p.m. Fairfax County Animal Shelter, 4500 West Ox Road, Fairfax. Call 703-324-0206.

Community Action Advisory Board. 7:30-9:30 p.m. Fairfax County Government Center, Conference Room 9/10, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Call 703-324-7812.

Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce Brown Bag Lunch. 12-1 p.m. Free to members; \$5 non-members. Bring lunch; drinks and dessert provided. Community Business Partnership, 7001 Loisdale Road, Springfield. 703-866-3500.

WEDNESDAY/AUG. 6

Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce networking breakfast. 7:30 a.m.-9 a.m. Free to members; \$15 non-members. Bring business cards. Waterford at Springfield, 6715 Commerce Street, Springfield. 703-866-3500.

InterService Club Council

meeting. 12 p.m. Red Lobster, 10325 Fairfax Blvd, Fairfax. Call 703-503-9418.

Park Authority Board Budget Workshop. 6 p.m. Herrity Building, Rooms 106/107, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Call 703-324-8662.

History Commission. 7:30 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, First Floor Meeting Room, 10360 North St., Fairfax. 703-324-1380.

Human Rights Commission. 7:30 p.m. Fairfax County Government Center, Conference Room 9 & 10, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Call 703-324-2953, TTY 711.

THURSDAY/AUG. 7

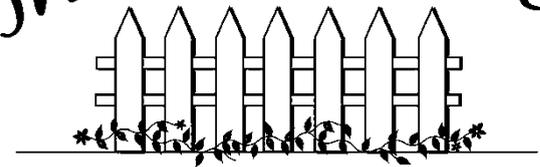
Engineering Standards Review Committee. 2-4 p.m. Herrity Building, 122, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Call 703-324-1733.

Solid Waste Collection Company Meeting. 5-7 p.m. Fairfax County Government Center - Conference Room 4 & 5, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. 703-324-5045.

Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce Community Affairs Committee. 4-5 p.m. Chamber of Commerce Office, 6434 Brandon Ave., Suite 3A, Springfield. 703-866-3500.

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FRIDAY/AUG. 1

Board of Supervisors Development Process Committee. 2 p.m. Fairfax County Government Center, Rooms 9 and 10, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Call 703-324-2531.

SUNDAY/AUG. 3

Tree Commission Meetings. 7:15 p.m. Fairfax County Government Center, Room 8, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. 703-324-1770.

MONDAY/AUG. 4

Board of Supervisors Meeting. 9 p.m. Fairfax County Government Center, Board Auditorium, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Call Nancy Vehrs, 703-324-3151.

Board of Equalization. 7:30 p.m. Fairfax County Government Center - Conference Rooms 7 & 8, 12000 Government Center

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NEWS

Suffragette Memorial in Lorton

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couldn't participate in democracy here," said Garvey-Hodge, as Walker.

Caitlyn Schneiderman, a Clifton resident, sang two songs: "Paths of Victory" by Bob Dylan and "I'm a Suffragette" by M.C. Hanford and M. Olive Drennan. Schneiderman said Dylan's song perfectly encapsulated her feelings on the movement.

"I found it to say everything I really wanted to say," she said.

State Sen. George Barker (D-39) and State Del. David Albo (R-42) were on hand for the dedication. Barker, a featured speaker at the dedication, marveled at how far the country had come since those dark nights in the Occoquan Workhouse.

"It's inconceivable that women didn't have the right vote, but a century ago that was the case," said Barker.

Albo cited his grandmother as a suffragist. He was not the only member of the audience with family ties to the movement. Gertrude "Trudy" Brisendine, a Fairfax County employee from Lake Ridge, had a grandmother in Pennsylvania who had demonstrated for women's rights.

"If she were here she would be pleased," said Brisendine.

The idea for making Occoquan Regional Park the location of the memorial, apart from its proximity to the former prison, was borne out of discussions between Lintz and John Hauser, manager of the park. Hauser, who had an interest in suffragist history, in-

"A place like this with a lot of young people, we want them to know that as women, their right to vote came with a price."

— Mary Grace Lintz

vited Lintz to take a tour of the grounds.

"We developed mutually this idea of creating a memorial to suffragists at the park, the history of the women who marched on Wilson's White House," said Lintz.

Lintz believes many of the women, including Paul and Burns, are underappreciated in the history books for their achievements.

"We decided that we wanted honor women who came here even if we couldn't identify them all," she said.

The memorial, set to be built in 2010, will coincide with the 90th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment. Funds are currently being raised to pay for the \$23,000 wall with mounted plaques. Lintz said the League of Women Voters has already raised around \$2,000.

"A place like this with a lot of young people, we want them to know that as women, their right to vote came with a price. Go out and vote every time," said Lintz.

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New Building for FCPS

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tion consolidation.

The schools' are projected to save \$10 million as a result of some departments move into their current headquarters, called Gatehouse I, in 2006. The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors also gave the school system a \$150 million boost in its capital budget, when it turned over some of the buildings it had vacated to the county.

YET THE SCHOOL SYSTEM is conducting the building purchase on a very aggressive timeline for some. The school board is expected to take their final vote on the building purchase in mid-September, leaving only six weeks for public outreach.

"It is the middle of summer break and there are only two weeks in September," said At-larger member Ilryong Moon, who was concerned the community might not be focused on school matters at this point in the year.

The school system would be conducting some public meetings on the issue and had made contact with some key interest groups. Chief operating officer Dean Tistadt said he was optimistic about receiving the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce's support for the project and possibly the Fairfax County Federation of Civic Associations.

Still, some major players said the window time seemed short and inopportune. The school board has been discussing the building purchase less publicly for six or seven months but several members of the school community will still be taken by surprise, said Michelle Menapace of the Fairfax County Council of PTAs.

Many members of the Fairfax Education Association — which represents the bulk of the county's teachers — are likely to "view this [building purchase] with extreme skepticism," said Leonard Bumbaca, the union's president. He added that the association would not be able to give the school system an "official" opinion about the building purchase until late August, when teachers re-

turn from vacation.

"We don't see a particular rush on this. ... The time is going to arouse suspicion," said Bumbaca.

School Board president Dan Storck (Mount Vernon) also stated that it could be in the school system's best interest to wait since county projections show the "price of commercial property declining next year."

TISTADT said it was important to move forward this fall, even if the political climate was not ideal. He plans to present his case for the building's purchase to the Board of Supervisors in October.

Even if the school board approves the building purchase, Fairfax County Public Schools has to have the supervisors' approval to move forward. Fairfax County chairman Gerry Connolly (D) would not rule out the purchase but is skeptical.

"I think it is going to be an uphill sell, to me and to the public," said Connolly, who is running for U.S. Congress in November's election.

Connolly added Fairfax's budget woes could also cause the county to cut back on the school system's capital budget, a move Tistadt called "devastating." Fairfax County Public Schools has \$1 billion of unfunded projects in its current capital budget and any decrease would lead to the cutting of much needed upgrades or renovations.

During last week's school board meeting, a handful of West Springfield High School parents testified in support of the central administration building purchase but linked the project to the renovation of their high school.

"Do you want a 21st century administration building supporting 20th century schools?" said Monique Craft, a West Springfield alumni and parent of a current student.

— JULIA O'DONOGHUE

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— Leonard Bumbaca

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Church of the Nativity offers a free general bereavement support group open to all adults on the first and third Thursday of each month 7:30-9 p.m. The church is located at 6400 Nativity Lane, Burke. Call 703-455-2400, ext. 17.

The Catholic Diocese of Arlington offers the USDA Special Milk Program to eligible children at St. Leo the Great School in Fairfax and St. Bernadette School in Springfield.

Burke Presbyterian Church, located at 5690 Oak Leather Drive, Burke, offers a **coffeehouse worship service** on Saturdays at 5:30 p.m., for people who may be unavailable Sunday mornings or are seeking a break from a more traditional style of worship. The service offers the same lesson and sermon as the Sunday service, but in a less formal environment. A nursery is provided for young children. Burke Presbyterian Church is located at 5690 Oak Leather Drive, Burke.

Arabic Bible Baptist Church is located at 5424 Ox Road in Fairfax Station. Pastor: Tony Ghareeb. Call 703-273-5599 or e-mail to

Tghareeb@wmconnect.com.

The Fairfax Church of Christ sponsors a **16-week Divorce Recovery support group** every Monday at 7 p.m. at the church. Call 703-631-2100 or visit www.fxcc.org. Fairfax Church of Christ is located at 3901 Rugby Road, Fairfax.

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Truro Church MOPS would like to invite all mothers of preschool-aged children to join MOPS for relevant speakers, small group time with other moms and food. The group meets the second Thursday of every month, at Truro Church, located at 10520 Main St., Fairfax, in the church fellowship hall on the lower level. Call 703-222-2332.

Jubilee Christian Center is offering **free English classes** as a second language during its Sunday School time, 10:10-10:50 a.m. on Sundays at 4650 Shirley Gate Road, Fairfax. 703-383-1170.

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istry. Fresh Fire International Center meets at the Chinese Martial Arts Building, 8426-B Lee Highway, Fairfax, opposite the BMW Fairfax; entrance is in the back. Call 703-815-8950.

Faith Communities in Action meets the first Wednesday of every other month from 2-4 p.m. at the Fairfax County Government Center, Conference Rooms 2 and 3, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax.

The **Baha'i of Fairfax County Southwest** offers "Interfaith Devotions: World Peace and Unity" for the general public on Saturdays. These free devotional gatherings meet at the Pohick Regional Library, Room #1, located at 6450 Sydenstricker Road, Burke, 22015.

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The Church of the Nativity in Burke offers a Grief Support Group for all who have suffered the death of a loved one and are in need of the comfort that sharing can bring. Meetings are at 7:30 p.m. on the first and third Thursday of each month, in the school building, 6400 Nativity Lane, Burke. 703 533-2951.

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SPORTS

Senior Sluggers Put on Show

Northern Virginia Senior Softball hosts annual All-Star Game.

BY ANDREW DODSON
THE CONNECTION

Ben Fisher remembers playing Little League baseball against Gary Parks in Arlington over a half century. After the days of Little League, they did not see each other until they met up on the diamond again — 50 years later.

“We always played against each other,” Fisher said. “And now we get to play against each other again.”

Fisher and Parks, both 65, are All-Stars of the National League of Northern Virginia Senior Softball (NVSS) along with several others. Teammates and managers elect the best players from their respective team and those players compete for either the Washington or Wilson Division.

NVSS offers a unique opportunity for seniors — who are at least 50-years-old — to continue play the game that they grew up loving.

“Whatever level of play you are and as long as you are in some kind of shape, we’ll have a team for you to play on,” said NVSS Publicity Chairman Dave Scheele. “It’s great for your health and it’s just a great opportunity to have fun.”

The league has three sub-leagues: Continental, American, and National. The Continental is the equivalent of AA ball, American is AAA, and the National League is the premier division. League managers evaluate players at the beginning of the season to determine which league fits their respected abilities.

DO NOT LET the gray hair fool you; these boys play with as much heart and strength as Major League All-Stars of today. Many of them have the ability to crank the ball over 300 feet out of the park — ask any of the players about Bill Grewe.

“Those are automatic for him,” said outfielder Bob Williams. “He can hit homers at will.”

Both dugouts lock focus on his smooth swing each at bat waiting for another ball to go the yard. Last year, Grewe set the NVSS record, clobbering 58 homeruns in a single season.

While other sports like tennis and golf provide great recreational and healthy activity, softball offers something more, according to outfielder Peter Shockley.

“The thing about softball is it’s a team sport and you have that atmosphere,” Shockley said. “You can make a lot of friends out here.”

Shockley sat the all-star game, nursing a back injury. He said he is saving his back for the games that really matter in the coming week. His team currently sits in a tie for first in the division.



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Tom Garofalo high-fives Jim Ridgell after Ridgell made a nice catch to end the inning.

Defense was pivotal in the first two innings for both teams. The Wilson division All-Stars scored the first run of the game in the third inning.

Powerful hitting continued in the fourth and fifth inning for the Wilson team, racing to a 7-1 lead heading into the bottom of the sixth.

One memorable highlight came when second baseman, ‘Crazy’ Jerry Sviatko laid out for a diving grab in the infield. Sviatko threw the ball to the shortstop covering the base for the inning-ending out while still on the ground. Teammates and opponents both applauded the play by the retired schoolteacher and Sviatko walked back into the dugout with a small grin on his face. Washington Division’s All-Stars rallied for an extra run in the seventh inning, but Wilson’s All-Stars answered with two runs. Going into the ninth inning, Washington trailed 9-2.

“Come on guys,” one player shouted. “Let’s do this one bat at a time.”

A controversial out at first caused the Washington dugout to jeer at the first base umpire.

“Come on Blue,” shouted one player. “Yeah, we need all the help we can get right now,” echoed another.

Power hitter Tom Wells pelted a ball into centerfield. The outfielder quickly threw back to first, causing the first baseman to leap for a catch. When the first baseman came down,

Wells collided with him. The collision forced the Washington manager to pull the injured Wells out of the game.

With two outs, the Washington Division All-Stars strung together a slew of hits and pulled in a run, but it was not enough to overcome the 9-3 deficit. The game ended with a grounder thrown to first.

AFTER THE GAME, both teams met at centerfield for a line of handshakes. The game proved that you are never too old to enjoy America’s favorite pastime. Each player comes from a different background, yet the 500-plus members of NVSS each join for the same love for the game.

First baseman Jerry Sheetz said he feels privileged to play with some of the greatest guys he has ever met.

“It’s amazing when you look around and see that this guy had bypass surgery, or this guy has cancer. It kind of makes it hard to complain about a paper cut,” said Sheetz.

A picnic followed the game and as players headed over for it, all they talked about were certain plays during the game and what they would have done differently. It was quite evident these grown boys truly love baseball.

“It doesn’t matter who you are,” said Scheele. “As long as you love the game, come on out and play ball.”

“Whatever level of play you are and as long as you are in some kind of shape, we’ll have a team for you to play on.”

— Dave Scheele, NVSS Publicity Chairman

2008 All-Star Selections

National Conference: Washington

Bill Grewe	Alexandria
Wayne Masefield	Reston
Tony Giannini	Oakton
Steve Adamson	Sterling
Mike Kosar	Vienna
Don Webber	Springfield
Pete Shockley	Alexandria
Ben Fisher	Fairfax
Jerry Sviatko	Alexandria
Tom Ramberg	Reston
Jerry Sheetz	Lorton
Alan Gillespie	Springfield

National Conference: Wilson

Dave Shultz	Ashburn
Mike Burchfield	Annandale
Frank Jacobs	South Riding
Mike Bellows	Fairfax
David Black	Burke
Tom Bowers	Herndon
Donzell Jackson	Fairfax Station
Larry Scarlata	Springfield
Wayne Cowles	Springfield
Steve Turchan	Burke
Dan Barolo	Alexandria
David Hobson	Arlington
Paul Math	Annandale
Jeff Harrison	Springfield
Bruce Remick	Springfield
Bryon Stiflar	Springfield

Continental Conference: Jefferson

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Don Luhn	Alexandria
Jim Ridgell	Alexandria
Jim Fuller	Burke
Barry Sidman	McLean
Bruce Pels	Arlington
Barry Newman	Annandale
Lloyd Spafford	Great Falls
Norman Aronovic	Vienna
Ron Sarson	Oak Hill
Tom Garofalo	Great Falls
Ron Paulson	Springfield
Rob Stotz	McLean
Henry Ruempler	Alexandria
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Jim Meyers	Annandale
Baz Baziliuk	Burke
Steve Ordun	Vienna
John Miller	Lorton
Ted Ringelheim	Springfield
Paul Schmitt	Vienna
Howard Walton	Fairfax
Pete Hoffman	Oakton
Dick Peyer	Falls Church
Ted Brown	Springfield
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Baz Bazan	Centreville
Charlie Rainey	Vienna
John Szpanka	Fairfax
Don Bartlett	Fairfax Station

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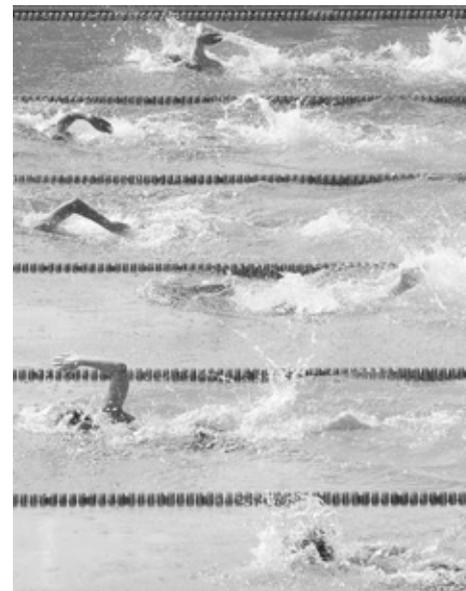
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Ernie Wakeham	Oakton
Charlie Green	Sterling
Jay Kalner	Arlington
Glenn Downer	Fairfax
Stever Kopstein	Oakton
Al Harvey	Fairfax
Dick Knox	Oakton
John Ray	Springfield
R.C. Phillippi	Fairfax
John Quast	Alexandria
Hal Lippman	Falls Church
Bill Wells	Alexandria
C.W. Watkins	Sterling

American Conference: Monroe

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Ray Holt	Arlington
Eric Garand	Fairfax
Jesse Christian	Arlington
Chuck Leone	Vienna
Don Beless	Oakton
Bob Davey	Fairfax Station
Brian Payne	Fairfax
Tony DiDonato	Fairfax
O.D O'Donnell	Fairfax
Jerry Reichel	Falls Church
Lew Glasener	Vienna
Don Meli	Annandale
Michael Brazie	Sterling, Va.
Herman Porter	Fairfax



Katarina O'Reilly of the Vienna Aquatic Club competes in the 50-meter freestyle.



Swimmers race in the 50-meter freestyle during the Northern Virginia Swimming League Division I meet at Lee-Graham pool on July 26.

The Best of the Best

The Northern Virginia Swimming League and the Colonial Swim League held their divisional championships over the weekend and the top swimmers in each division didn't disappoint, with three records falling in the NVSL and four in the CSL. Mosby Woods' Janet Hu set her 13th NVSL record at the NVSL Division 10 championships by breaking the 11-12 girls 100-meter individual medley with a time of 1 minute, 7.81 seconds. Two records fell in the NVSL Division 2 championships, with Eva Greene breaking the 13-14 girls 50-meter backstroke record with a time of 30.59. Later, Sean Fletcher broke the 50-meter butterfly record with a time 25.28.

In NVSL Division 9 at Walden Glen, Elizabeth Hall of Poplar Tree tied the mark for the girls 15-18 50-meter butterfly with a time of 28.94 – set by Forest Hollow's Mary Quinn in 1984.

At the CSL Blue Division championships, Chase Club's Ellyn Baumgardner lowered her own 15-18 50-meter breaststroke record with a time of 33.07. It was the third time that Baumgardner lowered the 15-18 50-meter breaststroke mark in two seasons.

At the CSL Red Division championships, Chantilly Highlands' Robert Grimmatt-Norris set three CSL marks. Grimmatt-Norris set the boys 15-18 100-meter individual medley record with a time of 1:01.38 – besting his own time by .09 seconds. In the boys 15-18 50-meter butterfly, he swam a time of 26.52, beating a 11-year old record. Grimmatt-Norris finished his day by breaking the 15-18 50-meter backstroke record, with a time of 27.44.

—PAUL FROMMELT



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Michael Southern, above, of the Lee-Graham Swim Team prepares for race in the 50-meter freestyle. Dacid Emson, left, of the Overlee Swim Club competes in the 50-meter freestyle.



Mia Cleary of the Lee-Graham Swim Team competes in the 50-meter freestyle.



Matthew Kuhlik of the Chesterbrook Swim Team competes in the 50-meter freestyle.

THE COUNTY LINE

What's in a Name?

Residents diverge on mailing address changes.

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE
THE CONNECTION

The rejection in Richard Seltzer's voice could be heard loud and clear through the receiver of the telephone July 16.

Seltzer, president of the Civic Association of Hollin Hills, lives in Alexandria. Period. He didn't seem happy to hear other people, like Mount Vernon Supervisor Gerry Hyland, might think otherwise.

"These homes have been here since the late '40s and '50s and they have always been in Alexandria," said Seltzer, whose neighborhood is a mile south of Old Town.

"My personal opinion is I like being part of Alexandria," he said.

OF COURSE, Seltzer and his neighbors are not, technically, a part of the City of Alexandria. Hollin Hills is located in Fairfax County, even if it has an Alexandria mailing address.

Many eastern Fairfax residents have Alexandria postal codes, a situation that causes confusion, according to the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors. During a meeting earlier this month, Hyland floated the idea of contacting the U.S. Postal Service and surveying his "Alexandria" constituents to see if they would like to change their mailing address to something else, like "Mount Vernon, Va."

The Fairfax County board backed Hyland's request, with several supervisors saying they understood his concerns. In addition to Hyland, Mason District Supervisor Penny Gross and Lee District Supervisor Jeff McKay also live in and represent county residents in the Alexandria area.

Other supervisors said they have similar problems in other communities — like Fairfax, Herndon and Vienna — which share a mailing address with a neighboring town or city.

BUT THE QUESTION over mailing addresses is about more than where taxes are sent. It is also about a community's identity.

"I think the Mount Vernon District's identity is lost with the same designation as the City of Alexandria. We are different from the city and a distinction is needed. I would love to see us have a Mount Vernon mailing address instead of Alexandria," said Mack Rhoades, president of the Huntington Community Association, in an email. Most people in Rhoades' community would probably vote for the change, he added.

Many Lee District constituents, who do not live in Mount Vernon, would also like to see a change from the Alexandria mail-

ing address because they don't feel any association with the city, said their supervisor.

"I regularly get complaints about it. ... The 'Alexandria portion of Fairfax County' is a community of its own. ... When we say we live in Alexandria, we want people to know that means Fairfax," said McKay.

Still, the community is divided on the issue. There are other county "Alexandria" residents — especially those in the northeast tip — who are oriented to the City of Alexandria and like to be identified with it.

"When I say we live in Alexandria outside the Beltway, people know exactly where we live," said Seltzer.

Like Hollin Hills, Caulley Deringer's community, Belle Haven, is located right outside of Alexandria. Deringer, who is the president of Belle Haven Citizens Association, said his neighbors would probably be adverse to the change in address as well, though the community has not discussed such a proposal.



Some think that the Mantua community should have the option of using "Mantua, Va.," as a mailing address.

THE ISSUE of mailing addresses appeared less divisive in areas of Fairfax County like Herndon and Vienna.

Unlike Alexandria, residents in the Town of Herndon and the Town of Vienna are also considered county constituents and are represented by supervisors on the county board. Town citizens in both places are surrounded and outnumbered by their "county only" counterparts who share the same mailing address.

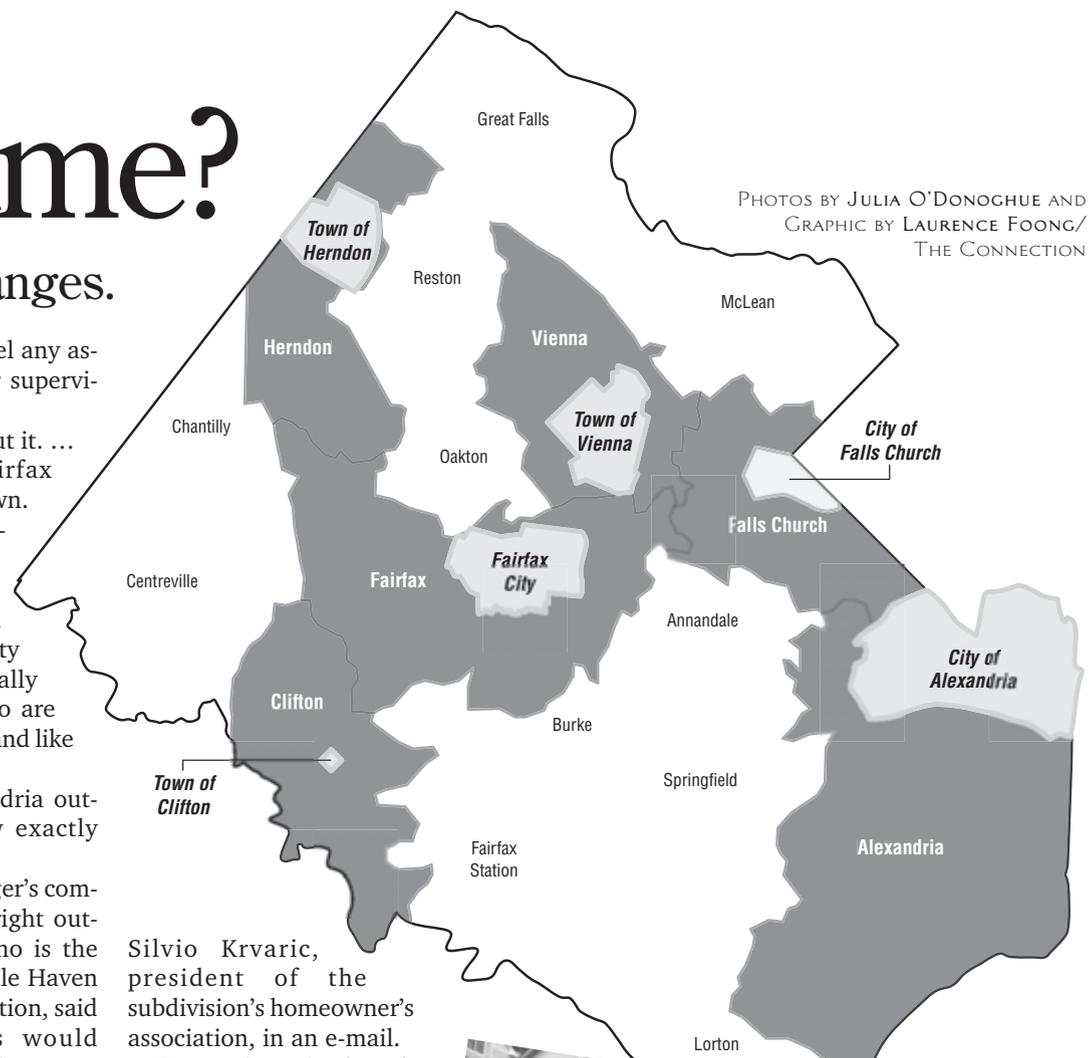
"The town is about 15,000 in population. ... And greater Vienna is about 60,000. We can't support our commercial district by ourselves," said Edythe Kelleher, a Vienna Town council member.

The town opens a lot of its services, including classes at the community center, to Vienna residents living outside the town and some residents are not quite sure whether they live in the town or not, she said.

"People are confused all the time. If they pay a second tax bill, they know they are in the town," said Kelleher.

Many residents of the "county only" portion of Herndon said they would be opposed to having their mailing address changed.

Occasionally, new residents of the Kingston Chase neighborhood are confused. Some assumed that they would be part of the Town of Herndon and would not have to purchase trash collection services, wrote



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Silvio Krvaric, president of the subdivision's homeowner's association, in an e-mail.

"To us, the risk of confusion between the various parts of Herndon is small. ... I guess if the residents of the Town of Herndon would like to change its mailing address Herndon Town, Va. that would be up to its residents," he wrote.



Residents who live in Belle Haven would likely be opposed to changing their address from "Alexandria" to "Mount Vernon."

UNLIKE Kingston Chase, another portion of the "county only" Herndon community has already developed a different mailing address. Residents in the large section of Herndon with the ZIP code 20171 also goes by the mailing address of Oak Hill, Va.

The change took place in December of 1999, when the Oak Hill post office opened, said Joan McDonald, who works at the branch.

"Developers wanted it to be called Oak Hill for more prestige. ... but the utility bills still say Herndon. They don't recognize Oak Hill," said McDonald, who has worked for the U.S. Postal Service for 20 years.

McDonald remembers when there was only the post office in downtown Herndon. Now there are three — Herndon, Reston and Oak Hill.

THIS IS ALSO true in one area of eastern Fairfax County. Kingstowne, a development with an Alexandria mailing address, has been told it can use "Kingstowne, Va.," postal address because the Kingstowne development takes up almost all of the 22315 ZIP code.

"It is technically Alexandria, Va. but if you

write in Kingtowne, Va., it gets to the same place. It is just not that big of a deal if it says Kingstowne or Alexandria as long as it has the right ZIP code," said McKay.

Other large community developments could be interested in a similar arrangement.

Roger Cryan, president of the Mantua Citizens Association, said it would make sense for his community, which shares "Fairfax, Va.," postal code with the City of Fairfax, to be able to use "Mantua" and "Fairfax" interchangeably as a mailing address. Mantua takes up nearly the entire 22301 ZIP code, on its own, he said.

"Mantua shows up on a lot of maps, even before other places recognized by the post office," said Cryan.

He added: "This is not really an issue that deserves an awful lot of energy or expense."

Some people believe real estate values and prestige drive community discussions over mailing addresses. Yet Realtors said the name of a community rarely has a lasting impact on its reputation and a community's association with certain areas can change over time. For example, many locals used to associate the mailing address "Lorton, Va.," with the D.C. prison and trash dump 10 years ago. But now, young families have moved in and consider it an attractive place to live, said Jill Landsman, with the Northern Virginia Realtors Association.

"There was a time when neighborhoods in Lorton were depreciating and everything else was appreciating. Now, the Lorton addresses are comparable to other Fairfax neighborhoods," said Landsman.



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In execution of a Deed of Trust from Hadi A. Ashour, dated June 21, 2007, and recorded June 22, 2007, in Deed Book 19409 at page 2149 among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia, the undersigned substitute trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front entrance of the Judicial Center for Fairfax County, at 4110 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, Virginia, on

Tuesday, August 12, 2008 at 11:30 a.m.

the following property being the property contained in said Deed of Trust, described as follows:

Unit 622, Phase 6, The Residences at Fair Chase Condominium

Tax Map No. 056-1-24-0622

Commonly known as 4640 Battenburg Lane, #622, Fairfax, Virginia 22030.

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of \$40,000.00 or ten percent (10%) of the sale price, whichever amount is less, in the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser at the time and place of sale; the balance of the purchase money being due and payable within fifteen (15) days after sale, time expressly being of the essence, with interest at the rate of 6.875 percent per annum from date of sale to date of settlement. Provided, however, that if the holder of the secured promissory note is the successful bidder at the sale, no cash deposit shall be required, and part of or the entire indebtedness, including interest and costs, secured by the Deed of Trust, may be set off against the purchase price.

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

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

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

The subject property and all improvements thereon will be sold in "as is" condition without warranty of any kind. Purchaser shall be responsible for any and all building and/or zoning code violations whether of record or not of record, as well as for all unpaid and enforceable homeowners' or condominium owners' association dues and assessments, if any. Purchaser also shall be responsible for obtaining possession of the property at his/her expense. Purchaser shall assume the risk of loss and shall be responsible for any damage, vandalism, theft, destruction, or the like, of or to the property occurring after the time of sale. Conveyance will be by special warranty deed. Conveyancing, recording, transfer taxes, notary fees, examination of title, state stamps, and all other costs of conveyance are to be at the expense of purchaser. State and local taxes, public charges, and special or regular assessments, if any, shall be adjusted to the date of sale and thereafter shall be assumed by the purchaser.

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

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DAVID N. PRENSKY
Substitute Trustee

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21 Announcements

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE IMPROVED REAL ESTATE
Improved by the premises known as
8809 Southwick Street, Fairfax, Virginia

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Jeanie Watson, Angel Dizon, II, Linda Dizon and Angel Dizon, Jr., dated December 9, 2005, and recorded December 13, 2005, in Deed Book 18039 at page 619 among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia, the undersigned substitute trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front entrance of the Judicial Center for Fairfax County, at 4110 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, Virginia, on

Tuesday, August 12, 2008 At 11:30 a.m.

the following property being the property contained in said Deed of Trust, described as follows:

Lot 20, Section 2, Ridgelea, as the same appears duly dedicated, platted and recorded in Deed Book 1575 at page 67, among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia.

Commonly known as 8809 Southwick Street, Fairfax, Virginia 22031.

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of \$60,000.00 or ten percent (10%) of the sale price, whichever amount is less, in the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser at the time and place of sale; the balance of the purchase money being due and payable within fifteen (15) days after sale, time expressly being of the essence, with interest at the rate of 6.50 percent per annum from date of sale to date of settlement. Provided, however, that if the holder of the secured promissory note is the successful bidder at the sale, no cash deposit shall be required, and part of or the entire indebtedness, including interest and costs, secured by the Deed of Trust, may be set off against the purchase price.

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21 Announcements

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE IMPROVED REAL ESTATE
Improved by the premises known as
8809 Southwick Street, Fairfax, Virginia

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Jeanie Watson, Angel Dizon, II, Linda Dizon and Angel Dizon, Jr., dated December 9, 2005, and recorded December 13, 2005, in Deed Book 18039 at page 619 among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia, the undersigned substitute trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front entrance of the Judicial Center for Fairfax County, at 4110 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, Virginia, on

Tuesday, August 12, 2008 At 11:30 a.m.

the following property being the property contained in said Deed of Trust, described as follows:

Lot 20, Section 2, Ridgelea, as the same appears duly dedicated, platted and recorded in Deed Book 1575 at page 67, among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia.

Commonly known as 8809 Southwick Street, Fairfax, Virginia 22031.

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of \$60,000.00 or ten percent (10%) of the sale price, whichever amount is less, in the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser at the time and place of sale; the balance of the purchase money being due and payable within fifteen (15) days after sale, time expressly being of the essence, with interest at the rate of 6.50 percent per annum from date of sale to date of settlement. Provided, however, that if the holder of the secured promissory note is the successful bidder at the sale, no cash deposit shall be required, and part of or the entire indebtedness, including interest and costs, secured by the Deed of Trust, may be set off against the purchase price.

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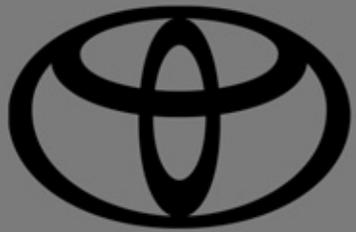
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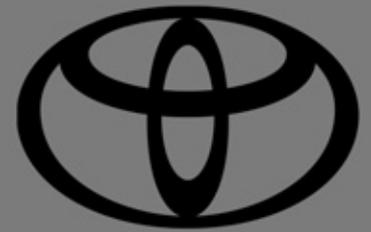
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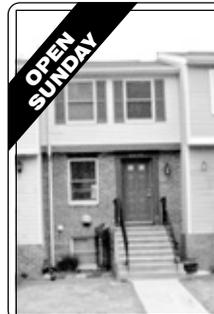
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