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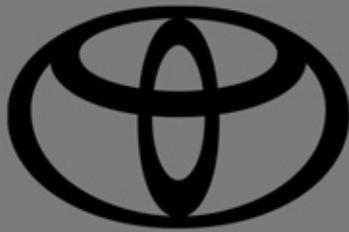
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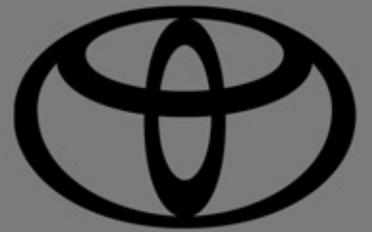
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Where Crime Meets Science

Lorton crime lab keeps profile low, even when cases aren't.

BY DEREK B. JOHNSON
THE CONNECTION

Bode Technology Group's Lorton office is about as inconspicuous a location as one could find. People driving by Furnace Road are more likely to see construction work being conducted on the other side of the street or the Five Guys corporate office than the DNA lab and offices stashed away in the corner of a string of several connected office buildings.

Waiting at the electronically locked entrance to be buzzed in by a secretary who requires identification, however, reveals the more serious nature of the facilities.

As one of the nation's leading crime labs, Bode's offices handle over 5,000 separate DNA analyses a year, handling requests from law enforcement agencies as well as businesses and private citizens. The lab has provided analysis for a host of high profile criminal cases, including American Airlines flight 587, Alaska Airlines Flight 261 and the World Trade Center attacks. Recently,



PHOTO BY DEREK B. JOHNSON/THE CONNECTION

The Lorton-based Bode Technology Group lab, which employs 90 people, handle around 5,000 cases a year from government agencies, businesses and private citizens.

they used a relatively new technology known as Touch DNA to help clear Jon Benet Ramsey's parents, Patsy and John, from culpability in their daughter's murder. Mike Cariola, vice president of Forensic Operations at the lab said DNA analysis is a

hot field of business.

"Right now, we have more people wanting to come in than wanting to get out," said Cariola. "There's something about that application of science to crime that people have a real passion for."

Of the over 5,000 cases the lab handles annually, Cariola estimated that 95-99 percent are handled using Short Tandem Repeat (STR) analysis, the technique that re

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Democrats Hope To Ride Obama Wave

Grassroots groups hope national buzz will lead to sweep.

BY DEREK B. JOHNSON
THE CONNECTION

This is the first of two stories about the November election and the efforts of grassroots organizations to get the vote out. Next Week: Republican grassroots organizations and the fight to keep Virginia red.

Joseph Harmon feels good about presumptive Democratic Party presidential candidate Barack Obama's chances to win Virginia this year in the upcoming election.

Of course, as chairman of the City of Fairfax Democratic Committee, it's his job to be positive. Even so, changes in the political landscape over the past eight years have put Democrats in a position to take the Old Dominion state for the first time since 1964, when Lyndon Johnson defeated Barry Goldwater with just under 54 percent of the vote. That possibility has grassroots organizers like Harmon excited about their

party's prospects this fall.

"The Obama campaign, in many ways, is kind of changing the way we do business," said Harmon, who has served as chairman of the FCDC for almost a year. "Because the reaction has been so big, it's almost been game changing in terms of getting people involved in politics."

It's not just the presidential race that has captured the attention of local Democratic organizations. The party is also fielding Mark Warner for the Senate and Gerry Connolly for the 11th Congressional District.

Warner, the former Virginia governor who left office in 2005 with an 80 percent approval rating, enjoys broad support among Virginians and was something of a dark horse pick in a crowded Democratic presidential primary field until publicly declining to run in October 2006.

Connolly, the current chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, has name recognition in Northern Virginia,

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— Joseph Harmon, Chairman of the City of Fairfax Democratic Committee

where the 11th Congressional District is located.

In the latest polls by RasmussenReports.com, Warner, who earlier this month snagged the prestigious slot as keynote speaker at the Democratic National Convention in Denver next month, is leading his Republican opponent Jim

Gilmore (also a former governor) 59 percent-33 percent. Though Rasmussen and other polling organizations do not track individual House races, Connolly's campaign claims internal polls show their candidate with a 52 percent-21 percent edge over Republican Keith Fimian. However, as of June 30, Fimian has raised more money than his better-known Democratic rival, banking \$1.3 million to Connolly's \$936,484, according to the Center for Responsive Politics [www.opensecrets.org.]

Jaime Contreras, capital area director of the Service Employees International Union Local 32BJ, spent the past week canvass-

ing the City of Fairfax for Democrats and registering Hispanic voters. According to Contreras, a combination of issues, prime among them being comprehensive immigration reform, have started to sway Latino voters to the Democratic side.

"We happen to be one of the largest unions in the area with some of the most Latino members. That's the reason why a lot of folks are interested," he said. "Obviously, immigration reform is an issue that people care deeply about, and Obama has said all the right things about it."

THE EMERGING Latino vote, a key block of voters that led to Republican victories in both the 2000 and 2004 presidential race, is slowly starting to swing more Democratic. According to a report by the Pew Hispanic Center, approximately 65 percent of registered Latino voters surveyed nationwide said they identify with or lean toward the Democratic Party, while just 21 percent identify with or lean toward the Republican Party.

Contreras said the tide of Latino voters began turning away from the GOP after the Republican-controlled House of Represen

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Man Faces Explosives Charges

Joshua Lavontae Gingrich, 19, was charged Monday with seven counts of manufacturing, transporting, possessing and using explosive materials or devices.

According to a Fairfax County Fire and Rescue release, Gingrich was arrested by investigators after detonating several bottled explosives Monday, Aug. 18 at the Saratoga Shopping Center at 8094 Rolling Road in Springfield.

Battalion Chief Michael T. Reilly described the devices as acid-based chemical bombs. He described the reaction that occurs when the chemicals in the bottle are mixed.

"It creates a strong exothermic reaction, the gasses inside will expand with the heat, causing the device to rupture," said Reilly. "Once you put these chemicals together, the only way to get them to react is confine that reaction, and the way you confine it is you put a cap on the bottle."

According to Reilly, Gingrich was observed by customers in his car, moving items in and around his vehicle. A suspicious persons call was placed to Fairfax County Police. When the officer arrived, he observed Gingrich setting off several explosive bottles before engaging him in conversation.

From there, the fire marshal's office and environmental crime investigators, including Reilly, were called to the scene where they took Gingrich into custody and used what Reilly described as a pellet gun to diffuse several of the explosives that were at risk of detonating. A HAZMAT response team was called to the area to apply neutralizing agents to areas where acid was sprayed, including the pavement and the wall of a nearby store.

Gingrich was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center. No injuries were reported. The charges, all class-5 felonies, carry with them a penalty of up to 10 years in prison, a \$2,500 dollar fine or both.

— DEREK B. JOHNSON

Senior Olympics Deadline Set

Organizers of the 2008 Northern Virginia Senior Olympics have set Friday, Sept. 5 as the deadline for those interested in signing up for the competition. This year's NVSO competition runs from Saturday, Sept. 20 through Thursday, Oct. 2.

Men and women who are 50, by Dec. 31, 2008, and over, and who live in one of the sponsoring jurisdictions are eligible to compete. Events take place at nine different venues in Northern Virginia. Many are divided into five or 10-year age groups and some are divided by gender.

Participants will compete in the following events: track and field, swimming and diving, pickleball, tennis, table tennis, yo-yo tricks, eight ball pool, ice skating, scrabble, shuffleboard, bunco, Frisbee throw, women's 3x3 basketball, team line dancing, scrabble, duplicate bridge, chess, cribbage, bait casting, backgammon, golf, miniature golf, basketball free throw, bowling, softball hit and throw and chess. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented following each event.

For a \$10 registration fee, participants will be able to compete in one event. Each additional event requires a \$1 fee. Additional fees are charged for bowling, golf and miniature golf. To learn more and to request a registration form, call 703-228-4721 or download from www.novaseniorolympics.com.

3 Arrested for DWI

Fairfax County Police officers from the Franconia District Station conducted a sobriety checkpoint on Saturday, Aug. 16, from 11:30 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. The officered hoped to apprehend intoxicated motorists and to ensure that all drivers on the road were not under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

The sobriety checkpoint was conducted at Van Dorn Street

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Emma and Ethan Tourtellotte have gone door to door in recent weeks, raising money and awareness about puppy mills.

'No More Puppy Mills'

Clifton siblings raise awareness of controversial dog breeding technique.

BY DEREK B. JOHNSON
THE CONNECTION

Clifton residents Emma and Ethan Tourtellotte were looking for a cause to get behind. Emma, 13, had done charity work each of the last two summers and her brother Ethan, 11, was looking to get in on the act.

Enter Oprah Winfrey.

The talk show maven recently aired an expose on "puppy mills," facilities where dogs are kept in sub-standard conditions and continuously bred for major pet store chains. After seeing the program their mother, Kathleen, showed her husband and son.

As dog owners themselves, Emma and Ethan were determined to do something. So they did some research on the Internet, put together a packet of information, made copies and then started going door to door handing them out. They also raised money for a rescue shelter in Utah and passed around a petition for residents to sign urging the banning of such practices.

Ethan described his feelings while making his case to adult strangers. "At first I was scared, because I was nervous about messing up or something," he said. "After the first three or four, you know what to say and it gets easier."

Emma, who has slightly more experience in these matters, described the reaction they initially received when people came to the door.

"You could tell, they would open the door and think

'Oh it's people selling something,'" she said.

The term "puppy mill" is somewhat amorphous. Used generally to describe large corporations that house female dogs in substandard conditions while impregnating them as often as possible, it could also be applied to certain individual breeders who use the same techniques but on a smaller scale. Kathleen said she believes their dog, Jake, was born on one of these facilities.

"They can be bigger dogs, like labs, who will be put in cages where they can't turn around. So that's basically their life 24 hours a day. They're treated as livestock," she said.

Barbara Cohen, who is both a humane investigator for Fairfax County and vice president of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals of Northern Virginia, said puppy mills represented big business for both the companies running them and the pet stores that they sell to.

"It's become more and more prevalent. It seems to be a big money raising thing," she said.

According to Cohen, in the past puppy mills were operated mainly in the Midwest, but now they're moving east. She said most people when they go to pet stores don't even realize the puppies they're getting come from puppy mills.

"The people that do it are not kind people, they create a puppy mill where they'll take a [female dog] and breed her. She lives in a cage and never comes out, they stack them two-three deep. The mother stays in this cage all of her life having litter after litter," said Cohen.

One of the companies pointed out by both Cohen and the Tourtellotte family as using puppy mills was Petland, a national chain of pet stores with over 200 franchises nationwide.

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Barbara Cohen, vice president of SPCA of Northern Virginia

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THE COUNTY LINE

Approximately 200 people turned out for U.S. Rep. Frank Wolf's (R-10) forum on Lyme disease, Aug. 5.



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Lyme Disease on the Rise

Surge in cases in western Fairfax.

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE
THE CONNECTION

Zoe Schelonko looked as perky as any other 16-year-old girl during a recent lunch interview at Neisha Thai in Tysons Corner. The Ashburn teenager with chin length, dyed red hair chatted about how much she hates gym class and likes the trendy British clothing store H&M.

So it was hard to believe that the teenager had been confined to her home for the past four years.

Schelonko said she has chronic Lyme disease, an illness that can seem "invisible" to onlookers. She has not attended school full-time since the sixth grade.

Jennifer Duncan, a Great Falls resident, said she and two daughters all have Lyme disease. Like Schelonko, her older daughter used a wheelchair during a portion of her sophomore year of high school. Her younger daughter has a difficult time participating in after-school activities because attending a full day of school wears her out, Duncan said.

"In the beginning, I wouldn't complain because people didn't believe me. They thought I was a hypochondriac," said Schelonko, of the sickness that caused head and joint aches in early elementary school.

Sam Shor, a Reston doctor who specializes in infectious diseases and spoke at Wolf's forum, said he has successfully treated patients with chronic fatigue/chronic Lyme disease by keeping them on antibiotics prescribed for Lyme over a longer period of time.

"This is real phenomena. There are people who have an illness that warrants treatment," said Shor, who is hoping to find money to study chronic Lyme disease treatment further.

The 16-year-old has been known to use a wheelchair while hanging out with friends at the mall or an amusement park. Standing up for long periods of time exhausts her.

"She was home bound for most of sixth grade and, in seventh grade, she tried to go to school but only lasted seven weeks," said Schelonko's mother, Brenda, at a recent support group meeting organized by members of the National Capital Lyme and Tick-Borne Disease Association.

Zoe Schelonko is far from the only person with Lyme disease complications in the area.

APPROXIMATELY 200 people, many with Lyme disease, attended U.S. Rep. Frank Wolf's (R-10) forum on Lyme disease earlier this month.

A few animal hospitals are also reporting a high rate of Lyme disease in dogs. The Great Falls Animal Hospital routinely tests dogs for Lyme and said approximately 30 to 35 come back positive for exposure.

Lyme disease is generally contracted in Virginia through a deer tick, according to officials from Fairfax and Loudoun counties. The deer tick generally attaches itself to deer, which can then bring infection to residents and their pets when they wander into backyards and gardens.

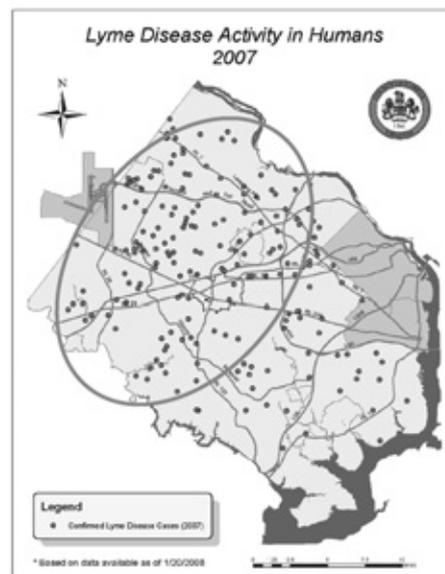
"Think of the deer as a tick Metro system. It is better than the Metro system because the deer can take ticks all over the county," said Jorge Arias, with the Fairfax County Health Department.

In Fairfax, the rate of confirmed Lyme disease cases rose from about 4.5 per 100,000 residents in 2006 to over 12 per 100,000 residents in 2007, Arias said.

In Loudoun, the number of reported Lyme disease cases rose from 29 in 1999 to over 500 in 2007, said Dr. David Goodfriend, director of the Loudoun County Health Department.

"Lyme is expanding into Northern Virginia and becoming more of an endemic," said Arias, during a presentation.

Most people who are contracting Lyme disease in Fairfax County live on the west-



COURTESY OF FAIRFAX COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Residents in western Fairfax County reported more cases of Lyme disease last year.

ern side of the county. In Fairfax, Arias also said females are infected at a rate higher than males.

In Loudoun County, approximately 75 percent of the people infected picked up Lyme disease on their own property. About 25 percent thought they got the disease from a tick originally on their pet, Goodfriend said.

"The number of chronic Lyme sufferers in Loudoun County continues to increase. Interventions taken to date have not blunted this trend," Goodfriend said.

Some local elected officials are taking action. The Loudoun County Board of Supervisors recently voted to allocate more resources to Lyme disease prevention. Wolf, who represents both Loudoun and Fairfax counties, has co-sponsored legislation that would raise awareness and promote education about the disease.

SOME LOCALS with Lyme disease said they hope area doctors gain more expertise about the illness. Several said they were

Preventing Lyme Disease:

Courtesy of the Fairfax County Health Department

- ❖ Dress to Protect Yourself – Tie back long hair and wear a hat; wear long, loose, light-colored clothing; tuck pant legs into socks.
- ❖ Always Wear Insect Repellent – Sprays with DEET and oil of lemon mixtures work against ticks.
- ❖ Avoid Tick Habitats – avoid low lying vegetation; avoid forests and woodlands where deer are present; stick to the middle of trails; avoid tall grass and brush.
- ❖ Perform Regular Tick Checks – Look immediately and several hours after field activities; check in hidden and hairy areas; use a friend or mirror to check hard to see areas.
- ❖ Protect Your Pet – Use a treated collar; use a spot treatment; consult your veterinarian; beware of Lyme disease in dogs.
- ❖ Make Your Yard A Tick Free Zone – create a sunny, dry area; remove leaf litter and tall grass; lay down wood chips and gravel; keep playground equipment and decks away from yard edge and trees; use fences.
- ❖ Use Chemical Control – Use a spray with permethrin to control ticks in your yard, apply for the first time in late March, April or May. Reapply as directed.
- ❖ Discourage Deer – Remove plants that attract deer; plant deer resistant plants; construct physical barriers to deer – deer can jump eight feet but will not jump over a fence they can't see over.

Signs and Symptoms of Lyme Disease

Courtesy of the Loudoun County Health Department

- ❖ Early Signs (Three to 30 days after infection)
 - ❖ Flu-like feelings – headache, stiff neck, fever, muscle aches and fatigue
 - ❖ Erythem Migrans rash – starts as a small, reddish bump about one-half inch in diameter but expands outward.
- ❖ Late Manifestations (Days to Months Later)
 - ❖ Bell's palsy
 - ❖ Meningitis
 - ❖ Shooting pains
 - ❖ Changes in heart rhythm
 - ❖ Recurrent joint swelling
 - ❖ Arthritis

sent to multiple specialists — including neurologists, orthopedic surgeons and psychiatrists — before a correct diagnosis.

There is some national controversy over whether "chronic" Lyme disease exists.

Many residents infected with Lyme disease and a handful of local doctors have argued that Lyme disease can be a chronic, long-term illness.

But some mainstream medical organizations, including the Infectious Disease Society of America, do not believe people suffer from Lyme disease over a period of months or years after they have been treated.

"My original infectious disease doctor told me that if you aren't better after four weeks of treatment, you don't have Lyme disease," said Duncan, who disagrees.

"Lyme is expanding into Northern Virginia and becoming more of an endemic."

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PEOPLE

Getting To Know ...

Lori Stillman, Fairfax-Falls Church Community Service Board member.

BY ESTHER PAK
THE CONNECTION

This past June, Lori Stillman, the Springfield District representative to the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Service Board (CSB) was elected to the secretary position.

The CSB is a multi jurisdictional agency and public support network that partners with individuals, families and the community to support Fairfax-Falls Church residents affected by behavioral health conditions and intellectual disabilities.

As a member of the CSB, Stillman assists in planning, developing and helping to secure funding for programs to support and improve the lives of these individuals.

"It is critical that we work with other government agencies and in the private sector to secure stable sources of funding to enable CSB consumers to find employment, housing, recreation, transportation and other community-based support that they need to be empowered, valued and productive members of their communities," said Stillman. "Our approach is multi-pronged — to inform, educate, advocate and develop performance-based programs and services to help our consumers."

Stillman is a Nebraska native with a degree in political science from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. She has been a Fairfax Station Resident for 10 years. She and her husband Patrick Stillman have two sons, Tyler and Nathan.

How did you first get involved in the CSB?

My first son, Tyler, was born with Down syndrome and is autistic. As he was growing up, I became interested in helping other children with disabilities and their families and began advocating with the Arc. I was appointed to the CSB in 2005 by [former] Supervisor Elaine McConnell (R-Springfield). I was recently re-appointed to a second three-year term by Supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield).

PROFILE

What are some specific issues that you are passionate about?

I have always been passionate about helping people, especially the most vulnerable individuals in our society. To me, the most important action we can take is to break down the negative stereotypes and discrimination that harm individuals with intellectual disabilities, mental health issues and substance abuse disorders through public information and education. One example is current efforts to change the term "mental retardation" to "intellectual disabilities" in local, state and federal regulations and laws. Then, we need to provide effective programs and requisite funding to meet the needs of CSB consumers, particularly to eliminate the waiting lists for services, especially Medicaid waivers for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

By the same token, I appreciate the need for effective stewardship of the tax-payers' dollar and recognize the need for productive and innovative provision of services to those in need. I value vigilance in this regard and enjoy the challenge of fostering



PHOTO BY MICHAEL O'CONNELL/THE CONNECTION

Lori Stillman

efficient and effective public-private partnerships.

How would you encourage other members of the community to help with the CSB efforts?

The CSB can always use the public's help in many different ways. Making a sincere effort to understand our consumers and recognize their needs, as well as their dreams and abilities, is very important in helping to end discrimination and stigmas. They can also educate friends and neighbors and encourage them to support needed programs. Individuals can help by advocating with their local and state legislators for services and funding for the CSB. In fact, the county has scheduled 20 Fiscal Year 2010 budget community dialogs for this fall which citizens can attend and provide their comments and support for CSB programs. They can also work with others in their

business or organization to provide opportunities for employment, housing and other supports for CSB consumers.

Favorite aspect about being a part of CSB?

I really enjoy working together with many exceptional individuals, including other board members, CSB staff and legislators, who share my commitment to assist those with intellectual disabilities and behavioral health problems. It is also very rewarding to see the positive difference that one can make in the lives of these individuals and their families.

What do/did you do professionally aside from serving in the CSB?

When I first moved to the Washington, D.C. area in 1981, I worked as a legislative assistant to Congressman Robert Lagomarsino from California and then as a legislative consultant on National Parks for the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs for the U.S. House of Representatives. I have been a stay-at-home mom since the birth of my first son.

Hobbies?

As a pianist, I enjoy accompaniment work with other musicians for recitals, concerts and contests. I also enjoy physical fitness and running. I greatly appreciate nature and love all types of animals.

Favorite local restaurant or hang-out?

I enjoy a good burger at Glory Days Grill in Lorton or morning coffee at Dunkin' Donuts.

Anything else you would like to add?

I would welcome anyone to contact me, or the CSB staff, if they would like more information about the CSB or would like to help us with our efforts. You can find the CSB through the phone book or on the Fairfax County government Web site at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/csb/>.

Weatherhead Recognized for Volunteer Work



Georgia Weatherhead

Georgia Weatherhead, a resident at Greenspring Retirement Community in Springfield, was named Fairfax Railroad Station Museum's 2007 volunteer of the year by the Inter-Service Club Council of the City of Fairfax. Weatherhead, who has volunteered with the museum for 14 years, was recognized Aug. 6, at the City of Fairfax Old Town Hall.

In addition to volunteering with the Fairfax Railroad Station Museum, Weatherhead also volunteers with the National Zoo. Currently, she is helping research efforts by watching an octopus and logging her observations.

Built in the mid-1850s, Fairfax Station would go on to become a major strategic stop on the Orange and Alexandria Line during the Civil War. In 1975, local citizens began efforts to save the old depot, ultimately re-constructing the train station into the current, volunteer-run museum.

The Inter-Service Club Council of Fairfax City serves as a link among clubs and organizations that serve the community. The awards recognize individuals for outstanding service and accomplishments.

VIEWPOINTS

What has been the highlight of your summer?



"I would say beach week."
Tessa Gedney, Burke



CARA RICHARDS

"Probably partying."
Kevin Miller, Burke



"Getting accepted to the University of Mary Washington."
Farrah Siltanen, Fairfax Station



"Seeing all of my old friends and making new ones."
Oriana Layendecker, Spokane Wash.

Riding the Obama Wave

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tatives passed the Border Protection, Anti-terrorism and Illegal Immigration Control Act of 2005. The bill, which Contreras described as “an attempt to intimidate people” and “basically unenforceable,” set stricter standards on a host of immigration-related laws and required the construction of a 700 miles fence along the U.S.-Mexican border. Though the largely GOP-backed bill ultimately failed to pass the Senate, Contreras pointed to it as an example of the Republicans losing touch with the Latino voter.

According to Harmon, that opened the door for local and national Democratic organizations to begin courting Latinos more heavily.

“We’ve had a number of events and training sessions on how to register Latino voters, as well as African Americans and other groups,” he said, adding that he didn’t quite know how much of an impact that would have in Fairfax, where a majority of voters are still white. “We certainly welcome it with open arms. It will be interesting to see how that plays out.”

Frank Blechman, a member of the Springfield Democratic Committee, said that grassroots organizations typically have less impact during a presidential election cycle because of the prominent role that the state and national branches play along with the campaign itself in coordinating election-related activities.

“In a presidential election year, 75-80 percent of the people are going to vote, whether you do any-

thing or not,” said Blechman. “My own experience shows that a neighbor talking to neighbors is a powerful tool and it’s going to contribute in some small way, but I don’t think any of us can say at this point how much.”

Toni Travis, professor of government and politics at George Mason University, said that assessment was partially true. However, she said that grassroots organizations could have a powerful effect on national races in regards to mobilizing turnout.

“I think they can have a tremendous impact in this election, certainly at the presidential level, which depends very much on turnout [among] independents, specifically young voters, and maybe first-time voters,” said Travis.

According to Travis, one of the reasons Democrats are optimistic about taking Virginia this year is due to the excitement caused by the Obama campaign.

“Obama has just presented a very different candidacy from any presidential candidate we’ve ever had,” she said. “Part of it is his background is different, and part of it is his youth which is reminiscent of Kennedy for people of a certain generation.”

Harmon said that buzz is real, and local organizations like his are focused on achieving a Democratic sweep this year.

“Next few months is going to be real engaging, on every level,” Harmon said. “We’re not taking any of this for granted, you know people here in the media, are saying Virginia is up for grabs, it absolutely is.”

Reporter Julia O’Donoghue contributed to this story.



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OPINION

In Praise of Local Olympians

Kudos to them, every one, for being there.

Lost somewhere in the quest for gold and medal counts and world records of the Olympics is appreciation for the effort and talent it takes to qualify, to go, to be an Olympian, whether or not an athlete comes home with a medal of any color.

Last week, we celebrated Justin Spring of Burke who contributed to U.S. winning bronze in men's team gymnastics.

We're proud of Kate Ziegler of Great Falls, who showed wisdom beyond her years in interviews after she failed to make the finals of either of her two events. The 20-year-old George Mason University student was disappointed, but smiled and said: "Even though I had disappointing swims, I still am an Olympian. ... I went to the Olympics. I'm going to enjoy my experience. This is ... the end of this four-year chapter, but I feel like I'm just ... beginning on my way."

Ziegler's best event actually isn't even an Olympic sanctioned race. The four-time world record holder shattered Janet Evans' 18-year

world record time by 10 seconds in the 1,500 in October 2007. (The 1,500 is only for men in the Olympics.)

TWO MCLEAN High graduates, **Giuseppe Lanzone and Sam Stitt**, are both members of the U.S. Rowing Team and are rowing in the Olympic Games in Beijing, China.

The two were McLean Highlander rowing team members during the spring of 2000. The Highlanders finished undefeated that season and earned several medals in several major regattas.

Lanzone, an All-Met rower that season, went on to row collegiately at the University of Washington. Stitt, meanwhile, competed in the sport at Rutgers University. Lanzone came to the United States from Peru and eventually became a U.S. citizen.

These two young men spent 10 years of hard work in hopes of making the 2008 Olympics' Team.

KARA LAWSON, who enjoyed a standout career at West Springfield and who was named among the Connection's Top-100 Athletes of all time, is on U.S. Women's Olympic basket-

ball team.

Lawson, a 5-foot-10 guard for the WNBA's Sacramento Monarchs, will make her first Olympic appearance. She is a Tennessee graduate.

At West Springfield, she led the Spartans to the 1997 and 1998 Virginia Class AAA state crowns and perfect 30-0 seasons. In college, she led the Lady Vols to a 126-17 (.881) record, four Southeastern Conference (SEC) regular season titles, the 2000 SEC Tournament crown, and four NCAA Tournaments where UT advanced to the 2001 Sweet Sixteen, 2002 Final Four and 2000 and 2003 championship games.

And Northern Virginia will be represented by at least two athletes in Beijing this year. Tyler Byers of Sterling and Josh George of Herndon were the first two American finishers in the wheelchair division of the L.A. Marathon in March, making them automatic competitors in the marathon event of the Paralympics, which will follow the Olympic games in September.

If you know of local Olympic athletes we've failed to mention (and we're sure there are), please let me know.

— MARY KIMM

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Balancing the Books

To the Editor:

I was extremely disappointed when I found out that the Fairfax County leadership created a terrible deficit for its residents without a clear solution. This year alone, the county will have a deficit of more than \$430 million. Fairfax County is one of the most prestigious and wealthy counties in the nation. In 2004, Fairfax County had a median income level of almost \$84,000, as compared to the rest of the state being a little more than \$51,000. What I would like to know is, where has all the money gone?

The unfortunate part of this deficit is that the budget for the Fairfax County School System is going to be cut. The Fairfax County public schools are nationally recognized for their academic standards, and they draw over 53 percent of the county's budget every year. I was at the joint meeting of the county Board of Supervisors and the School Board in which it was unanimously agreed that school funding needed to be cut. I was quite upset by the fact that this was basically a unanimous admission of defeat. Gerry Connolly (D-At-large), the chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, admitted that he wouldn't like this budget cut to impact the everyday life of the classroom, but it would most likely do exactly

that. It is appalling to me that the county's leaders have been so reckless with our budget when we already have countywide problems with housing, transportation, and energy.

LETTERS

Connolly is also running for Congress in the 11th District. I am dismayed by the fact that under this man's leadership Fairfax County is going deep into debt and he is asking Fairfax County to give him a promotion. Does anyone else see a problem with this? If people like Gerry Connolly cannot even budget a community such as Fairfax, how are they supposed to run an entire district, or worse, lead a country? We need to pay attention to the facts and not just names in the community. People who recklessly bankrupt their local government should never be entrusted with our nation's future.

Carolyn M. Needham
Burke

Don't Water Down TJ

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to the July 31 article entitled "Seeking More Diversity at TJ."

As a parent of grade school and middle school children, I would like them to have the same chance at getting into Thomas Jefferson

High School for Science and Technology as anyone else. All students should be judged on the same scale. If quotas were established requiring a certain number of students to be selected from each middle school, then the candidates wouldn't necessarily be the ones chosen to attend TJ. The same thing would happen if race quotas were established. Students should not be discriminated against just because they are white or go to a certain middle school where there are several highly qualified applicants.

Also, TJ certainly should have strict rules about the performance of its students in order to maintain their enrollment. A 3.0 GPA seems like a very fair rule. If a student can't perform up to that level, there should be no shame at transferring to their local neighborhood high school.

Let's not undermine or water down the high quality of the Thomas Jefferson High School student body.

Charlie Peterson
Springfield

Who's Out Of Touch?

To the Editor:

This is in response to the recent letter by Lilyan Spero ["Fully Informed Voter?" Connection, Aug.

7-13, 2008] who is disturbed by 11th District congressional candidate Keith Fimian's (R) views on women's issues.

She suggests that Fimian's views on federal funding for stem cell research, birth control and women's right to choose make him "out of touch with his constituency." I assume she means he is against these issues.

The federal government has invested and continues to invest millions in stem cell research. This rightly has been in stem cells not from embryos. Research has shown that stem cells from umbilical cord and other type cells has been much more effective than stem cells from embryos. Some, ignoring this evidence, insist the funding be devoted to embryonic stem cell research, thereby killing a child in the beginning of its development.

A woman's right to choose/birth control is code for abortion. She really means right to choose killing her unborn child. Since the Roe vs. Wade decision in 1973, 40 million unborn children have been killed. This is the holocaust of our time.

Members of my church and many other churches in this area agree with Keith Fimian on these issues. He is not out of touch with this constituency, Gerry Connolly is!

Mike Muller
E-mail Submission

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NEWS

Local Siblings Take On Puppy Mills

FROM PAGE 4

Julie Washburn, public relations coordinator for Petland Inc., said their company absolutely does not use puppy mills, saying that corporate offices work hand in hand with each individual franchisee to ensure humane standards are in place for all the facilities they receive their pets from.

"Definitely I want to say that we as a company are very concerned about substandard facilities," said Washburn, who said Petland has placed more than 270,000 homeless puppies and kittens into new homes through their Adopt-a-Pet Program. "We're definitely proud of our commitment to quality care of our pets."

Though not speaking specifically about Petland, Cohen said companies play semantic games to get around saying they use puppy mills.

"I'm a humane investigator. I have a right to see [the facilities] only if they want to show them to me, if not I have to get a search warrant," she said. "They have always refused to show them because they have nothing to show that's legal."

Washburn said Petland stores regularly make their facilities available to the USDA and any customers concerned about their kennel operations.

Holly Sternberg, who runs the Web site petstorecruelty.org, has been picketing along with others outside the Petland on Main Street in Fairfax after it opened up in 2003. She agreed with Cohen's characterization, saying pet stores often plead ignorance about the breeders from which they get their puppies.

"They can call them reputable breeders, but I don't think they are, because there's no legal definition of 'puppy mill.' It's like a pejorative term," said Sternberg.

Kathleen Tourtellotte said that while her children Emma and Ethan, have raised over \$1,000 so far and gathered over 100 signatures, they probably wouldn't be able to make a big enough impact to achieve their overall goal, but that shouldn't stop them from doing it anyway.

"I know one thing for 100 percent fact, and that is if we don't do anything, nothing will change,"

David Tourtellotte, the children's father, echoed those sentiments.

"I think while the reality is that it's probably not going to change anything, you have to try, and they're trying. And you never know unless you try," he said. "It could change everything, we won't know until they're finished."

NEWS BRIEFS

FROM PAGE 4

and Kingstowne Village Parkway. Eight officers and four auxiliary police officers were present to run the checkpoint.

About 631 motorists were stopped and checked to ensure that their ability to drive was not impaired. Three arrests were made for Driving While Intoxicated (DWI), one traffic summons was issued for driving without a license and two charges were made for the possession of marijuana.

Patriot Center Gets Facelift

Last Week, George Mason University put the finishing touches on the first phase of a three-phase renovation of the Patriot Center. As part of the \$10 million project, workers added a new centralized box office at the west entry of the 10,000-seat arena.

Two new concession stands and bathrooms at the north entry are currently under construction as part of phase two of the project. Phase three, which will add the same features to the south entry along what Washington Sports and Entertainment release called a "cosmetic facelift" of the concourse.

"The entire concourse will have fresh paint and new ceiling tiles to finish off the renovation," said Sheila Francis, GMU's director of event and venue public relations.

Renovation of the facility, entering its 23rd year of operation, is scheduled to be completed in early 2009.



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More than Just Tea and Scones

Local businesswoman brings traditional tea party to variety of situations.

BY ESTHER PAK
THE CONNECTION

Tea events are no longer pinky-fingered affairs reserved for the British gentry. Kimberly MacDonald, owner of To a Tea, LLC, makes tea events an approachable and enjoyable affair to all.

"[Tea events] used to be something you would think was for older ladies who wanted to be pampered. Now, people of all different ages want that kind of venue in all different settings," said MacDonald.

MacDonald's repertoire of events includes bridal showers, birthdays, retirements, anniversaries, as well as business meetings. She also offers princess tea parties for the youngest tea drinkers.

Her expertise, however, is not limited to event planning. Her years of experience baking in the kitchen allow her to showcase her desserts and baked goods as well as the tea service. MacDonald was also the catering director at the Bailiwick Inn in Fairfax before she decided to use her combined experiences to start To A Tea, LLC and promote a new way to entertain.

A tiffany cake and matching petit fours

"I think that people are looking for more than just going out to lunch. Tea relaxes you and inspires conversation. At the same time, the idea of being served tea and scones makes it an elegant type of venue," said MacDonald.

"Taking tea' began many years ago with the English, but afternoon and high teas have become especially popular in the states," said MacDonald.

"I've always enjoyed entertaining and planning events, and I love working with clients from start to finish to make their event special," said MacDonald. "Of all the types of events that I have planned, teas are the most special. I think that people are looking for more than just going out to lunch. Tea relaxes you and inspires

conversation."

From the baking, to the linens and china, MacDonald promises to work with each host in planning a theme, selecting a menu, and setting up. The result is an elegant tea ex-



A table is set with a variety of pastries for a business breakfast tea.

"I think that people are looking for more than just going out to lunch."

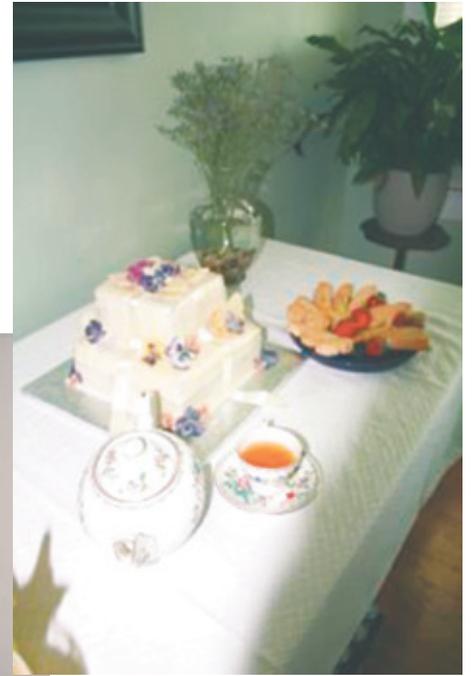
— Kimberly MacDonald

choose what kind of loose tea they want, and I would serve it to them. I also walk them through the process of eating a scone the traditional way with jam and clotted cream," said MacDonald.

Dannette Wolfe, a Chantilly resident for over 20 years, is a loyal fan of MacDonald's cakes — especially her specialty cheesecakes. "[Her cakes] are amazing. She's just got a gift. Every time I have taken them to any function or given it as a gift, family and co-workers have fought with each other over the last bite," said Wolfe.

WOLFE HAS also enjoyed many of MacDonald's tea services. "It's really comfortable. You don't feel like you're in a stuffy atmosphere. Other places that I've gone have been very stuffy, prim and proper. She listens really well about what you want," said Wolfe.

Carol Khalsa has also used MacDonald's



One of the events that MacDonald specializes in is a bridal shower tea.

More

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Kimberly MacDonald has made a business of bringing traditional tea parties to business and social events.

tea and dessert services for numerous business-meetings. "Kimberly creates such memorable events. The presentation is impeccable and the desserts are absolutely delectable," said Khalsa.

MacDonald adds a personal touch to her services that extends beyond tea events. "Last Thanksgiving, I had Kimberly make individual pumpkin cheesecakes and had her hand-deliver them to different patients of ours. The cakes were beyond delicious and boxed beautifully. Everyone loved it because they were so unique," said Khalsa.

CRIME

Activities reported by the Sully District of the Fairfax County police department through Aug. 15.

BURGLARY OF OCCUPIED DWELLING

4600 block of Deerwatch Drive. The residents of a home in the 4600 block of Deerwatch Drive awoke to their alarm sounding on Thursday, Aug. 7 at 2:50 a.m. The 46-year-old man went downstairs to investigate and discovered a window and sliding glass door standing open. Officers responded and determined that entry was made through the unlocked window. Items in the home were disturbed but nothing was taken. No one was injured.

ROBBERY

4300 block of Chantilly Shopping Center. Officers responded to a reported robbery at the Prime Mart at 4300 Chantilly Shopping Center on Thursday, Aug. 7, just before 10 p.m. The clerk was behind the counter when a suspect entered the store. He pointed a handgun at the clerk and demanded money as two other suspects entered the store. The clerk handed over an undisclosed amount of money and the suspects fled. There were no injuries. All three suspects were described as black, with their faces covered. Two were wearing ball caps and one wore a knit cap.

UNLAWFUL ENTRY

5400 block of Clubside Lane. A 19-year-old woman was startled by an unknown man inside a home in the 5400 block of Clubside Lane. On Thursday, Aug. 7 at 1:40 p.m. police responded to the home for an intruder. An investigation determined that the victim was in the kitchen when she heard the front door open. She went to investigate and found an unknown man in the hallway. The suspect ran and hid in a bathroom; the victim called police and fled the house. The suspect fled out the rear door of the home prior to the arrival of police. The suspect was described as white, in his 20s. He was about 5 feet 10 inches tall and 180 pounds. He was wearing blue jeans, a shirt and a baseball cap.

SEXUAL ASSAULT

14000 block of Illuminati Way. A 21-year-old Centreville woman was sexually assaulted by an intruder on Friday, Aug. 8, about 2:15 a.m., in the 14000 block of Illuminati Way. The victim was sleeping when she was awakened by a man, who threatened her with a knife. He sexually assaulted her and fled. The victim was treated at Inova Fairfax Hospital for non life threatening injuries.

FATAL CRASH

6600 block of Bull Run Post Office Road. Police are investigating a fatal crash that occurred on Friday, Aug. 8 in the Centreville area. Officers were called to the 6600 block of Bull Run Post Office Road at 1:05 p.m. for a vehicle fire. Further investigation determined that a 1998 BMW 318, operated by a 19-year-old Centreville-area man, was traveling west on Bull Run Post Office Road when it crashed into a tree. The driver was able to exit the vehicle but the passenger, a 15-year-old Centreville-area boy, was pronounced dead at the scene. The deceased has been identified as Cameron Dudley of the 6200 block of Fairfax National Way. This investigation is ongoing.

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Children ages six and older meet snakes at Hidden Pond Nature Center from 8-9:30 p.m. and look for more on a hike. Weather permitting, enjoy a campfire and s'mores. Reservations required. \$6 per child. Hidden Pond Nature Center, 8511 Greeley Blvd., Springfield. Call 703-451-9588.

SATURDAY/AUG. 23

Glass Artist Alison Ruzsa, lecture and exhibit. 2:30 p.m., The Workhouse Arts Center at Lorton, 9601 Ox Road, Building W-16, Lorton. Call 703-495-0001 or visit www.workhousearts.org.

Book Signing. Lisa Hampton-Qualls will be signing her book "G* S.T.Y.L.E.: Developing a Passion for God's Fashion," 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Borders Express, 6725 Springfield Mall, Springfield. Contact Jana Gridley at 405-376-4900.

SUNDAY/AUG. 24

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
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

Flora Fauna – Worms. Children ages two to five years meet worms at Hidden Pond Nature Center from 10 - 10:30 a.m. Try out a worm stake clanger. Reservations required. \$2 per child. Hidden Pond Nature Center, 8511 Greeley Blvd., Springfield. Call 703-451-9588.

TUESDAY/AUG. 26

Evening Book Discussion Group. "The Jane Austen Book Club" by Karen Joy Fowler. 7:30 p.m. No registration necessary. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Call 703-339-4610.

WEDNESDAY/AUG. 27

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. Call 703-339-4610.

Kingstowne Library Writer's Peer Review Group. Review peers' works and receive in-depth feedback. Call for more information on submitting work prior to meeting. No registration necessary. 7:00 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Call 703-339-4610.

Travel Club. Bring lunch and enjoy a lively discussion. No registration necessary. 1 p.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Call to register 703-451-8055.

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THURSDAY/AUG. 28



Russian Cultural Heritage Night. Traditional Russian music played on traditional instruments such as the balalaika. 7:30 p.m. Ossian Hall Park, 7900 Heritage Drive, Annandale. Free. Call 703-324-7469 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances.

Time for School. Stories and activities about starting school. Age 3-5 with adult. 1 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Call to register 703-339-4610.

The Wild Creatures of Fairfax County. Learn about the wildlife found at Hidden Pond Nature Center and other parts of Fairfax County, and meet some live critters. Presented by Hidden Pond Nature Center. 10:30 a.m. All ages. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Call to register 703-451-8055.

Sonata Arctica with Blood Corps. 7 p.m. All ages; \$22 in advance, \$25 at the door. Jaxx Night Club, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. Call 703-569-5940 or visit www.jaxxroxx.com.

FRIDAY/AUG. 29

City of Fairfax Alte Kameraden German Band. Featuring the Blaskapelle Alte Kameraden Bavarian band. You are invited to AUG-toberfest with authentic fest musik and "gemultichkeit". 7:30 p.m. Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield. Free. Call

There will be a lecture and exhibit by glass artist Alison Ruzsa on Saturday, Aug. 23, at the newly-opened Workhouse Arts Center at Lorton.



Finntroll, a Finnish metal band that blends folk music with black metal, will appear Aug. 22 at Jaxx Night Club.

Warbringer is performing with Finntroll on Friday, Aug. 22 at Jaxx Night Club.



703-324-7469 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances.
Ponderings - Local Geology. Try panning for gold and use a microscope to spy on micro minerals at Hidden Pond Nature Center from 3:30 to 5 p.m. This program is suitable for children ages 6 to 10 years. Reservations are required. The cost is \$6 per child. To reserve, Hidden Pond Nature Center, 8511 Greeley Blvd., Springfield. call 703-451-9588.
After Dark in the Park – Eels. Explore creek life at Hidden Pond Nature Center from 7:30-9:30 p.m. The program ends with a campfire and s'mores. Wear shoes that can get wet. For children ages six years and older. Reservations required. \$8 per child. Hidden Pond Nature Center, 8511 Greeley Blvd., Springfield. Call 703-451-9588.

SATURDAY/AUG. 30

Back to School Local Band Bash. 1:15 p.m. All ages; \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. Jaxx Night Club, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. Call 703-569-5940 or visit www.jaxxroxx.com.

SUNDAY/AUG. 31

Potomac Hosta Club. 12 p.m. Picnic, Hostas auction and plant exchange. Heather Hills Nurseries at 8111 Ox Road, Fairfax Station. New members always welcome. For more information, call 703-866-2211 or visit hostaclub@gmail.com.
Krass Judgement Fest. 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.

TUESDAY/SEPT. 2

A is for Apple. 10:30 a.m. Stories, activities and a craft. Age 2-3 with adult. Lorton Library, 9520 Richmond Highway, Lorton. 703-339-7385.

WEDNESDAY/SEPT. 3

Practice your English. 10:15 a.m.

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

THURSDAY/SEPT. 4

Daytime Book Discussion Group. 12:15 p.m. "Mohawk" by Richard Russo. Adults. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Call 703-339-4610.

Back-to-School Beauty. Hair care and hairstyle tips for teens. 4 p.m. Lorton Library, 9520 Richmond Highway, Lorton. 703-339-7385.

FRIDAY/SEPT. 5

Lunch Bunch. 12 p.m. Bring Lunch and come for stories. Birth-5 with adult. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call 703-971-0010.

On the Go. 10:30 a.m. Stories and activities about things on the move. Age 15-35 months with adult. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Call 703-451-8055.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 6

Impaled with Phobia, Malignancy, Illogicist, Maruta, Freehand Arson, Emesis. 6:15 p.m. All ages. \$13 in advance, \$15 at the door. Jaxx Night Club, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. Call 703-569-5940 or visit www.jaxxroxx.com.

Propagation Series: Seed Saving. 9:30-11 a.m. Learn the basics of seed saving, including seed harvest, drying, cleaning and storage. Venture into the gardens with Mary Frogale, propagation horticulturist, and

collect seed to take home from unique annuals and perennials. \$22. Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria. Call 703-642-5173 or visit www.greenspring.org.

Family Fun: Monarch Magic. 2-3:30 p.m. Children 5 and up with accompanying adult explore the life cycle of monarch butterflies. Make a caterpillar cage, add a milkweed snack, and adopt a tiny larva to take home to release in your own garden. \$10/project. Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria. Call 703-642-5173 or visit www.greenspring.org.

Canoeing. Learn the basic mechanics of canoeing with an emphasis on safety and enjoyment. 1-3 p.m. Then take to the water and experience the 55-acre lake, the wetland, streams and views of waterfowl and marsh life while paddling a canoe. Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Canoes and life jackets are provided. Bring a water bottle and snack if desired. The cost is \$12 per person. For reservations, call 703-569-0285. Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road in Springfield. Visit <http://fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/accotink>.

MONDAY/SEPT. 8

The Ashley Fister Cole Foundation sixth annual Driving for Surviving Melanoma Charity Golf Classic. 1 p.m. at Stonewall Golf Club on Lake Manassas, 15601 Turtle Point Drive, Gainesville. All net proceeds from this year's tournament will help fund the trial study programs of researcher Dr. Wen-Jen Hwu at the University of Texas' MD Anderson Cancer Center. Play golf with free range balls, a cart, greens fee, lunch, unlimited

beverages on the course and dinner, \$175. Hole sponsors with signs and a special message on one of the tee boxes, \$200. Visit www.ashleyfistercolefoundation.org.

Fall Crafts. 3:30 p.m. After-school activities and crafts. Age 6-12. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call 703-971-0010.

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

Go, Dinos, Go! 10:30 a.m. Stories and fun about dinosaurs. Age 24-35 months with adult. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Call 703-339-4610.

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

Book Chat. 4 p.m. Stop in to share current favorites or hear what other people are reading. Adults. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Call 703-451-8055.

TUESDAY/SEPT. 9

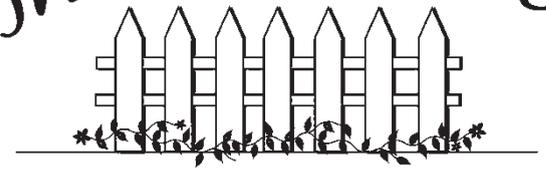
What's New in Picture Books. 7 p.m. Learn about new books to use with preschoolers. Childcare certification available. Adults. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. 703-971-0010.

WEDNESDAY/SEPT. 10

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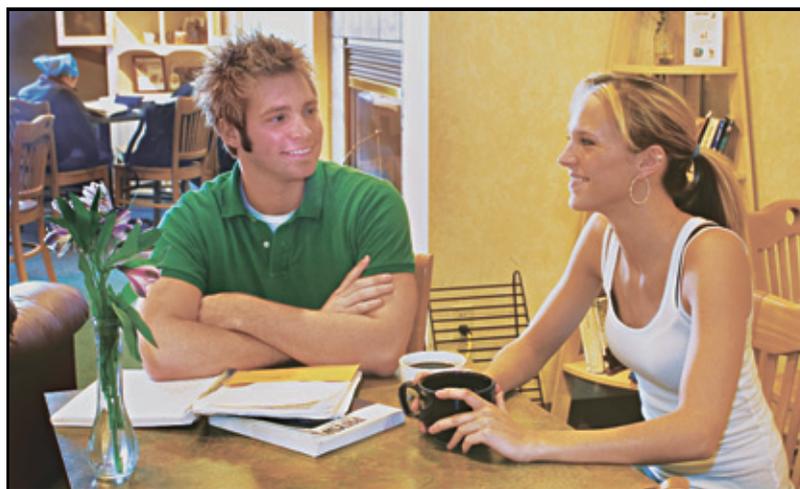
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8313 GREENTREE MANOR LN	4	3	1		FAIRFAX STATION	\$700,000	Detached	0.23657		07/31/08
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SUSPICIOUS DEATH

14000 block of Old Mill Road.
Police responded to a call at a home in the 14000 block of Old Mill Road for the report of an unconscious person. Officers entered the home on Saturday, July 26 shortly after 6 p.m. and found an 18-year-old unresponsive. CPR was started and rescue responded. The young woman was transported to Inova Fairfax Hospital and eventually died on Wednesday, July 30. The deceased has been identified as Rayoung Kim. The circumstances and manner of her death are still under investigation. The medical examiner's office has performed an autopsy, however it is expected to be several weeks before the exact cause of death can be determined.

LARCENIES

- 13600 block of Bent Tree Circle.**
Digital camera stolen from vehicle.
- 5600 block of Birchleaf Park Court.** Ladder stolen from residence.
- 5800 block of Deer Pond Road.**
iPod stolen from vehicle.
- 5600 block of General Johnston Place.** Engagement ring stolen from business.
- 15000 block of Greymont Drive.**
Dirt bike stolen from residence.
- 13600 block of Lee Jackson Memorial Highway.** Four sodas stolen from business.
- 4000 block of Novar Drive.** Car radio and hammer stolen from vehicle.
- 14200 block of Saint Germain Drive.** Laptop computer stolen from vehicle.
- 14500 block of Stilsby Court.**
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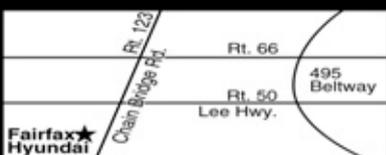
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Tiffany McCoy listens to instructions.



Denny Stokes, band director at Robinson Secondary School, keeps a close eye on the marching techniques of the band during the Aug. 19 morning practice.



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Members of the Robinson marching band begin learning their marching routine this week and will continue daily practices until school starts.

Practicing Precision

Rams start band camp, prepare for upcoming performance season.



Senior drum major, Brittany Carter, keeps a watchful eye on the band.

FAITH NOTES

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Springfield Church of Christ Back-to-School Give-Away of Clothing and School Supplies, on Saturday, Aug. 23, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. While this event is geared toward helping students get ready for school, clothing is available for infants, toddlers, and adults as well. Springfield Church of Christ, 7512 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield. Call 703-451-4011 or visit springfieldchurchofchrist.org.

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* Block Party, Sunday, Sept. 7 at 12:30 p.m. Food, dunk tank, face painting, balloon art, spin art, clowns inflatable games, castle moon bounce, human car wash, variety show and more. Collections taken for

Nothing But Nets and items for Flood Buckets for recovery in the midwest.

* Monday Night Football Bible Study starts Sept. 15 one hour before kick-off and concludes at half-time. Study is based on Quiet Strength, written by Indianapolis Colts coach, Tony Dungy. Contact Rev. Ralph Rowley at rrowley@messiahumc.org.

St. Marks Coptic Orthodox Church is hosting an Egyptian Bazaar, on Saturday Sept. 20 and Sunday Sept. 21, from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Egyptian food and music, children's games and rides; car wash; antique furniture; jewelry and imported goods for sale. Church and school tours available. St. Marks Coptic Orthodox Church, 11911 Braddock Road, Fairfax. Call 703-591-4444.

ESL Program at St. George's UMC. English as a second language classes are offered from 7-9 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, at St. George's United Methodist Church, 4910 Ox Road, Fairfax. Registration is on Sept. 2 at 7 p.m. with classes from Tuesday, Sept. 9 through Nov. 20. Call 703-385-4550.

The Church of the Good Shepherd is holding registration for fall ESOL classes on Wednesday, Sept. 3 and Thursday, Sept. 4 from 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. and again 7-9 p.m. The church is located at 9350 Braddock Road. Fall classes run Sept. 16-Dec. 4 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m., and 7-9 p.m. A \$50 fee will be collected at the first class. Call 703-323-5400.

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DNA Lab in Lorton

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mains the standard in most DNA-related cases around the world. Using DNA extracted from blood, semen or even bones, Bode's technicians use STR to create a genetic profile for both victims and suspects.

In those rare cases in which blood or other fluids of a suspect are not evident at the scene of a crime, the lab makes use of several of the more niche technologies available, such as Touch DNA or YSTR, to form the profile they need. YSTR analysis works the same way as standard STR, only it isolates the DNA with Y chromosomes. Since only males have Y chromosomes, the technique becomes useful in certain cases, such as sexual assault, in which a struggle may leave traces of a suspect's DNA underneath the fingernails of the victim. Touch DNA, used in cases where no fluids are available to analyze, use traces of skin cells that may be left at a crime scene.

Angela Williamson, director of forensic case-work at Bode, said while Touch DNA is useful, it also has its limitations. Since the skin cells are naked to the invisible eye, crime scene investigators must take educated guesses from where they take samples. Areas like the waistband of a victim's pants are usually a good place to look in sexual assault cases. For murders, certain parts of a victim's body or clothes might contain enough skin cells to form a profile.

"It's kind of a shot in the dark," said Williamson. "You need to know a little bit more information about the circumstances before you can start to look."

WITH TELEVISION shows like "CSI" and "Bones," the concept of DNA evidence has become, in recent years, very much a part of the public's consciousness. Cariola ruminated on how far DNA evidence has come in regards to criminal investigations since it was first used in a court of law during the late 1980s.

Ian Rodway, chief deputy attorney for the Commonwealth of Virginia, said DNA evidence could be very useful when given the right context.

"It either substantiates that a person was involved in a crime or it proves or shows

that they were not involved in a crime," he said.

That's not to say it doesn't have its limits. Finding traces of a person's DNA or fingerprints on the rearview mirror of a car, for instance, doesn't automatically implicate a person in that crime.

"There has to be some other kind of evidence that shows that person broke into that car," said Rodway. "It's not a magic bullet, it just isn't. It depends on the circumstances in the case."

"When it was first introduced into the courts, it went through what was called the 'DNA Wars,' where the admissibility of DNA evidence was questioned," said Cariola.

Now, most defense and prosecution attorneys won't even go to court if the DNA evidence presented in a case is strong enough. In future and even some present cases, mini-STR kits can be deployed at the crime scene itself, rendering a genetic profile in 45 minutes instead of sending it off to a lab like Bode's and waiting weeks for the results to come in.

The lab also handles requests from agencies and private businesses. Certain government and contract employees deemed "at risk" in hot spots like Iraq or Afghanistan have their DNA stored in a Bode database. If an employee or soldier is ever murdered or kidnapped, their DNA can be made available to overseas investigators to compare at crime scenes.

THE ACADEMIC background required to do the kind of work that Bode performs usually ranges from molecular biology to statistics to genetics. It's not uncommon to see people from the National Institute of Health and Johns Hopkins coming in to work for the lab. Williamson said it's not all fun and games.

"It's not as cool as people think when they see it on TV," she said. "It's a lot of responsibility. You're dealing with people's lives."

Cariola joked that the profession might not remain so popular once people begin to understand the amount of work and precision that is required.

"Probably what we'll see over the rest of my life is people drop out as they realize in may not be that great compared to what they're doing before," he said, with a laugh.

"There's something about that application of science to crime that people have a real passion for."

— Mike Cariola, Bode Technology Labs

AROUND TOWN

The Fairfax Partnership for Youth is accepting nominations for the Changing Lives-One Youth at a Time Awards Breakfast. The awards focus is on youth and youth-led organizations that best personify the Fairfax Partnership for Youth mission. The awards breakfast is Tuesday, Oct. 28, featuring keynote speaker Art Monk. Winners will receive monetary awards totaling \$5,000 sponsored

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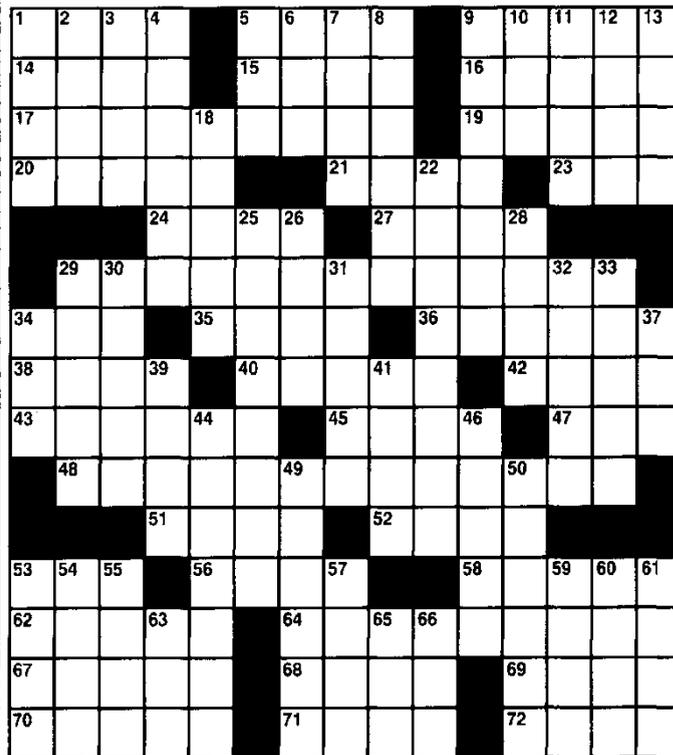
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- Multigenerational story
- Betray, in a way
- Up to the task
- Zippo
- Play hard to get
- Sage lands?
- Torments
- Barfly's roost, perhaps
- "... blackbirds, baked in ____"
- Professional suffix
- Do a post-laundry job
- Poet — St. Vincent Millay
- Joe's lands?
- de mots (pun)
- Feds
- Looked with desire
- Makes a scene?
- Largest Cornhusker city
- Have on
- Hotel Bible
- Peewee people
- One of the "Little Women"

DOWN

- Dieters' lands?
- Last name in cruelty
- Took note of
- Pal, rapper-style
- Spot in the Senate
- Arab emirate
- Sly character
- Bad lands?
- Slicker in the winter
- Superior's inferior
- Gold medalist Lipinski
- Insinuate
- Dummy
- Command to a boxer

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

- Words from Wordsworth
- Catbird seat?
- On high
- Star worship
- Stand buy
- Consider
- Once again
- Mr. Rhodes of Rhodes scholarships
- Better
- Biters
- Hate the thought of
- Tailor's joints
- Bender
- Like some humor
- Uses a Singer
- Crossed fingers symbolize it
- Somewhat
- Like rye, usually
- Kidded around
- Full-price payers
- Sailor's stir
- Gallop
- Forget about
- Dangerous charger
- Go sailing
- Gillette product
- Brit's interjection
- Emmy winner Arthur
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In execution of a Deed of Trust from Sherri R. Ligon, dated September 16, 2005, and recorded September 21, 2005, in Deed Book 17766 at page 1166 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

Wednesday, August 27, 2008 at 11:30 a.m.

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

Lot 39, Section 2, Heritage Square North as the same appears duly dedicated, platted and recorded in Deed Book 4590 at page 773, among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia.

Commonly known as 5917 Heritage Square Drive, Burke, Virginia 22015.

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of \$30,000.00 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.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Substitute Trustee

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8419 Carmela Circle, Springfield, Virginia

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Jairo Morales and Francisco Morales, dated July 13, 2005, and recorded July 15, 2005, in Deed Book 17515 at page 2047 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

Wednesday, August 27, 2008 at 11:30 a.m.

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Lot 80, Section 1, Forest at South Run, as the same appears duly dedicated, platted and recorded in Deed Book 10667 at page 1342, among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia.

Commonly known as 8419 Carmela Circle, Springfield, Virginia 22153.

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of \$50,000.00 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 8.425 percent per annum from date of sale to date of settlement. Provided, however, that if the holder of the secured promissory note is the successful bidder at the sale, no cash deposit shall be required, and part of or the entire indebtedness, including interest and costs, secured by the Deed of Trust, may be set off against the purchase price.

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

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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.

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DAVID N. PRENSKY

Substitute Trustee

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TRUSTEE'S SALE
OF VALUABLE
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Improved by the premises known as
3502 Pence Court, Annandale, Virginia

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Yury Inturias and Patricia Medina, dated June 23, 2005, and recorded June 28, 2005, in Deed Book 17448 at page 195 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, Virginia, on

Wednesday, August 27, 2008 at 11:30 a.m.

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

Lot 52, Section 2, Holmes Run Village, as the same appears duly dedicated, platted and recorded in Deed Book 5007 at page 99, among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia.

Commonly known as 3502 Pence Court, Annandale, Virginia 22003.

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of \$45,000.00 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 5.75 percent per annum from date of sale to date of settlement. Provided, however, that if the holder of the secured promissory note is the successful bidder at the sale, no cash deposit shall be required, and part of or the entire indebtedness, including interest and costs, secured by the Deed of Trust, may be set off against the purchase price.

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

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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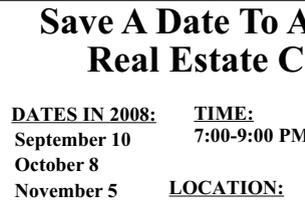
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