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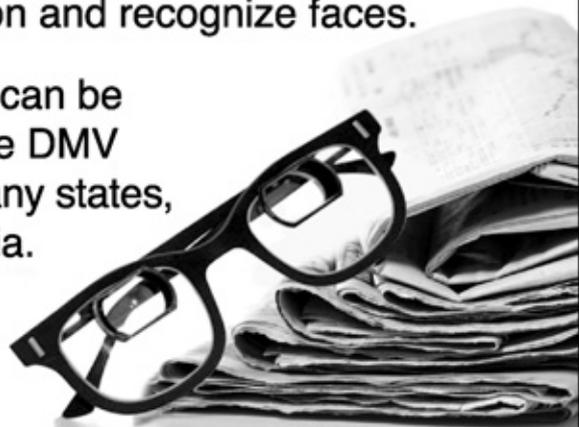
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NEWS

To the Polls ...

Turnout light after record voter registration.

BY DEREK B. JOHNSON
THE CONNECTION

For Clifton resident Uzair Siddiqui, it was the economy, for Burke resident Karen Saunders it was terrorism and for Springfield resident Betty Jenkins it was integrity. Every voter in Fairfax County had a top issue in mind when they reached their polling location Tuesday Nov. 4 for the 2008 elections.

"There's a lot of enthusiasm, though there's no way of judging for whom," said Springfield resident Fletch Fletcher, who set up a table for the GOP outside the Hunter's Crossing polling station in Greenspring on Spring Village Road.

Fear in the lead up to the election concerning overcrowded polls due to record voter registration throughout the state were seemingly alleviated when voters and poll workers reported shorter than expected lines.

"It's slowed-down for now, but it will probably pick up after lunch," said Greenspring resident Sim Taylor, who has been a poll worker since Richard Nixon was reelected in 1972.

"We've seen huge crowds but everything

has kept moving," said Michael Duerksen, chief election officer for Lake Braddock polling station. "A lot of us are veterans in this precinct."

Light but constant rain was a factor for most of the day. According to the Virginia State Board of Elections,

preliminary vote totals show nearly 3.5 million Virginians voted in this presidential election, up from approximately 3.2 million in 2004. If those numbers hold, it would represent a smaller than expected increase after 5 million people registered to vote this year, a state record.

"We were prepared for a nightmare and we really didn't get that."

— **Monica Horan, chief election officer for the Clifton Elementary School polling precinct**

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Obama, Connolly, Warner Win

Connolly win leads to special election for chairman's seat.

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE
THE CONNECTION

Fairfax County Board of Supervisors chairman Gerry Connolly (D) won the battle to replace retiring U.S. Rep. Tom Davis (R) in Virginia's 11th congressional district handily Nov. 4.

Connolly was ebullient along with Senator-elect Mark Warner at a Democratic celebration at the McLean Hilton on Tuesday night.

"Gerry will be a champion for Fairfax County in Congress."

— Supervisor Jeff McKay (D-Lee)

Connolly defeated political newcomer and Oakton businessman Keith Fimian in an election where voters heavily favored Democrats. He earned 52.98 percent of the vote to Fimian's 44.66 percent, carrying the district with an 8.5 percentage-point lead overall.

Connolly's supporters, particularly his colleagues, praised his work as



PHOTO BY ROBBIE HAMMER/THE CONNECTION

U.S. Rep.-elect Gerry Connolly (D-11) thanks supporters while surrounded by family members for his win over Republican Keith Fimian.

Fairfax County chairman. They said his approach to local government would translate nicely to Congress.

"Gerry will be a champion for Fairfax County in Congress. He brings the Fairfax County perspective that Tom Davis originally brought with him when he was first elected," said Supervisor Jeff McKay (D-Lee).

Connolly's ascent to congress will be a major change for Fairfax County. The chair-

man has been a fixture in local government, serving as head of the Board of Supervisors for the past five years and the Providence District supervisor for the previous eight.

The county chairman's win also might also point to a more permanent shift in the region's political leanings.

Davis has represented Virginia's modern 11th District for all but two of its 16-year existence. Yet Republicans were unable to fend off Connolly, the most serious Demo-

cratic threat to the seat in years.

President elect Barack Obama won the 11th Congressional District with 55.46 of the vote and approximately a 12-point lead over opponent John McCain. U.S. Sen.-elect Mark Warner earned 64.3 percent of the ballots and posted a 30-point lead in same district.

Connolly posted his strongest numbers in

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For Virginia GOP, a Night To Forget

Republicans suffer major losses at the state and national level in 2008 elections.

BY DEREK B. JOHNSON
THE CONNECTION

At Westwood Country Club in Vienna, where county Republicans had their Nov. 4 election party, the night was an exercise in frustration.

Spirits were initially high around 8 p.m. as party officials, candidates for statewide office and the party's rank and file continued to stream into the grand ballroom of the club. Though their presidential candidate Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.) found himself behind in almost every national poll

coming into the election, many expressed an "anything-can-happen" mentality when the bulk of the results began broadcasting on televisions and projection screens.

"I feel excited and positive," said Puneet Ahluwalia when asked about McCain's chances. "He poured his heart out."

Jim Hyland, chairperson for the Fairfax County Republican Committee, projected optimism at the beginning of the night, laying out the electoral path McCain needed to take to the White House.

"Spirits are up because we still believe McCain can win Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia and Florida," said Hyland.

Whoops and hollers broke out when Fox News called South Carolina for McCain at 8 p.m., followed by reports of an early 56 percent-43 percent lead for the Republican senator in

Virginia. That optimism evaporated as the night wore on, with Sen. Barack Obama (D-Ill.) winning all four of the battleground states Hyland listed.

Former Gov. Mark Warner (D) cruised to a 64 percent-34 percent win against former Gov. Jim Gilmore (R) and 8th District Congressional candidate Mark Elmore gave a short concession speech when early results called the race for his opponent, incumbent Jim Moran (D).

"You can tell your kids that Mark Elmore gave 110 percent," said Elmore before thanking his staff, friends and family.

By 9 p.m., the networks had called Ohio and Pennsylvania for Obama, and the party's chances looked sobering. U.S. Rep. Frank Wolf's (R-10) sizable 60 percent-37 percent win over Democratic opponent Judy Feder was one of the only pieces of good news for Republicans to reach the ballroom all night. A tighter than expected race between business man Keith Fimian (R) and Board of Supervisors Chairman Gerry Connolly (D) in the 11th Congressional Dis-



PHOTO BY LOUISE KRAFT/THE CONNECTION

Oakton businessman Keith Fimian (R) lost to Board of Supervisors Chair Gerry Connolly (D) in the 11th District Congressional race.

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"The Republican Party in Virginia needs to find a message."

— Supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield)

Voter Turnout Lighter Than Expected

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BY NOON Tuesday, the Clifton Elementary School polling station reported that 2,100 of 4,386 eligible votes in their precinct had been cast.

"[The numbers] are high, but I would not say they were unusually high," said Monica Horan, chief election officer for the precinct. "We were prepared for a nightmare and we rally didn't get that."

Voters also reported light lines, though many credited a good sense of timing more than any other factors.

"I was surprised. Maybe the big rush for people at work has already happened," said Saunders, who cast her vote around 11 a.m..

"They're shorter than I've ever seen here. I have to believe that people are spreading out their day," said Burke resident Eileen Billinson.

"I thought there was going to be hours of waiting," said Clifton resident Tracy Lattanze.

Supervisor Sharon Bulova (D-Braddock) spent her morning moving from one polling station to the next, greeting voters and stumping for 11th District Congressional candidate Gerry Connolly (D). She said she was impressed with the Obama campaign coordination in the lead up to the campaign.

"I think the organization from the Obama campaign is like nothing I've ever seen before," said Bulova. "The number of young voters participating in the process is



Parking space leading up to the Clifton Elementary School polling station was hard to come by. Though light rain was a factor for most of the day, nearly 300,000 more Virginians voted in this presidential election compared to 2004, according to preliminary results from the Virginia State Board of Elections.

unique."

Cathy Connolly, wife of Gerry Connolly, visited Greenspring in the morning to greet voters as well.

"It's a very exciting day. We're feeling really, really good about the day across the board," she said.

Cathy Connolly said the increased voter turnout reflected people's desire for change.

"What it really signals is a very exciting time for the country. People in Fairfax County believe in good government," said Cathy Connolly. "We're used to government working for us and its time we got used to

that on a national level."

Many voters based their decision on the perceived strengths of both candidates: national security for McCain and the economy for Obama.

"We live in tenuous times and I feel with John McCain we are safer," said Saunders, who voted for McCain.

"I would put the economy at the top, and then the general direction of [the country] after that," said Siddiqui, who voted for Obama.

However, traditional platform issues like abortion still managed to sway some voters regardless of their feelings about the candidates.

"I'm voting for the person who stands for life. I don't believe in murdering babies," said Jenkins, who voted for McCain.

Jim Dillard, former Republican Delegate from the 41st District was outside the Lake Braddock Secondary School polling precinct, trying to catch people coming out of the polls to educate them about smart growth. This election he has switched sides to support the Democrat Obama, recording a robocall on behalf of the campaign and hanging Obama flyers on doors the day before the election. He said that if Obama won Virginia he would likely do it by following the strategies that Virginia Democrats have used in recent years.

"When Warner, Kaine and Webb won, it was all Northern Virginia and the areas around it that made a difference," said Dillard. "I hope they play a major role."

NEWS BRIEFS

Food Drive Nov. 1

Burke Scouts will pick up food.

Scouting For Food is the Patriot District, National Capital Area Council, and Boy Scouts of America's largest annual community service activity conducted by local Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Crews, scout leaders, and many parents. Scout volunteers placed white plastic bags on neighborhood doors Saturday, Nov. 1. These bags will be collected Saturday, Nov. 8, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. All the food collected will be weighed at the Safeway parking lot at 5727 Burke Center Parkway, Burke.

The Patriot District collected 19 tons of food to support local families last year, and hope to collect even more this year. With the current economic situation, the need for donations could not be greater.

COLLEGE NOTES

Barbara Colberg, a student at the University of Virginia School of Law, has been named a Womble Carlyle Scholar by Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, PLLC. Colberg received a B.S. in economics and a B.A. in Spanish from Ohio State University, where she graduated magna cum laude. She serves as an editorial board member on the University of Virginia's Journal of Law and Politics. She is also the recipient of the Virginia Law Lacy W. Armour Scholarship. Womble Carlyle scholars receive an \$8,000 scholarship, as well as an offer

of a job as a summer associate.

Julian Curi, a 2008 graduate of Holy Family Academy, will perform the role of Titus Lartius in Franciscan University of Steubenville's fall production of "The Tragedy of Coriolanus" by William Shakespeare. Curi, a freshman communication arts and philosophy major, is the son of Tomas and Emi Curi of Burke. He performed in many productions at Holy Family Academy and this is his debut performance at Franciscan University.



Young Voters Fairview Elementary kindergarteners learned about voting and had their own election the last week of October.



PHOTO BY COL. VICTOR KUCHAR

Volunteers sort items donated to the Lamia Afghan Foundation last Saturday at Burke Lake Park.

Saving Fingers, Toes and Lives

Clothing drives helps Afghani children stay warm.

BY LINDSAY GSELL
THE CONNECTION

Col. Vick Kuchar of the U.S. Air Force spoke to volunteers and donors at a clothing drive at Burke Lake Park last Saturday about his experience with the children of Afghanistan. Showing his photo collection from his tours in the Middle East, he explained that the harsh conditions of the Afghani winter often cause frostbite on the children's limbs. Many children do not have shoes to wear during the snowy and windy days and nights.

"Our first goal is to save fingers, save toes and save lives," said Kuchar. "Once we can provide basic necessities, we hope to bring education to the small villages."

The Lamia Afghan Foundation hosted the First Annual Afghan Winter Warmth Watch and Collection on Saturday, Nov. 1, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., at Burke Lake Park. This was the organization's first drive to collect winter clothing and school supplies for the children of Afghanistan.

The drive collected winter clothing, shoes, sleeping bags, jackets and other items for the citizens of Afghanistan. The winters in Afghanistan are harsh, and many citizens in small villages suffer during the

difficult winter conditions.

Donors dropped off goods, which were then sorted by the event's 30 volunteers into different categories, such as women's clothing, children's clothing and household items. The drive collected enough goods to fill two large trucks, and efforts to continue sorting goods will continue this week.

Once the donations are sorted and boxed, Denton Airlift will take them to Afghanistan with the help of the United States Agency for International Development sometime later this month. The group uses extra space on military planes to transport donated goods to Afghanistan.

"We think of this as a hand up, not a hand out," said Jan Bradley, a co-founder of the Lamia Afghan Foundation. "A lot of military personnel are helping the people of the Afghanistan. America has a great heart, we need to help them over there."

Saturday's efforts took place in conjunction with two other drives in the country, one at the University of North Texas in Denton, Texas and one at Tarrant County Community College in Fort Worth, Texas.

"It takes a lot of effort and a lot of people working very hard to get this shipped over," said Bradley. "It's got to be sorted, packed, transported, flown and distributed. A lot of people help along the way."

"There are so many groups that came here to help today. We have military personnel, Afghan-Americans, Christians, Muslims, everyone. It's about everyone coming together to help these people," said Bradley.

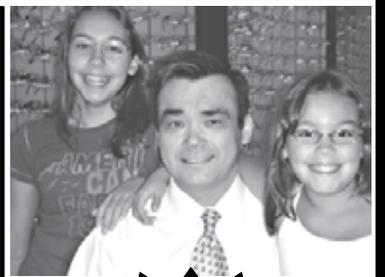
"We are so glad we did something to help today," said Najiba Hashimi of Alexandria, an Afghani woman who left the country 28 years ago with her family. "As an Afghani, we appreciate the help that is being given to the country."

"We think of this as a hand up, not a hand out."

— Jan Bradley

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Hillary Clinton Comes to George Mason

Days before election, former candidate urges supporters to work for Obama.

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE
THE CONNECTION

With two days to go until the general election, Fatima Mubarak was long over the drama and bad blood of the Democratic presidential primary.

The Robinson Secondary School senior was always a supporter of Sen. Barack Obama (D-Ill.) and admits there were times when she disliked Hillary Clinton as the candidates competed for the Democratic nomination last winter and spring.

But Mubarak's hostility toward Clinton melted away when the former Democratic presidential candidate started campaigning for Obama after the convention.

Over the election's closing weeks, the high school student developed a fondness for the former first lady, so much so that Mubarak stood on her feet for nearly three hours to get a good view of Clinton at a George Mason University rally Nov. 2. "I really wanted to hear Hillary Clinton speak. ... I forgave everything after her DNC speech," said Mubarak, referencing Clinton's endorsement of Obama at the Democratic National Convention in late August.

Springfield resident Holly Biehl shared Mubarak's feelings, waiting nearly as long for a good spot at the Clinton rally. Biehl,

an Obama primary supporter, said her feelings toward Clinton had also grown warmer. "I have come to appreciate Hillary through this process," she said.

MANY FAIRFAX COUNTY residents could share similar sentiments about Clinton. Unlike the battleground states of Ohio and Pennsylvania, Clinton did not fare so well against Obama in Virginia and may not have as many local supporters.

Obama garnered 64 percent of the primary vote, compared to Clinton's 35 percent statewide. The former first lady performed slightly better in Fairfax County, where Obama won 59 percent of the ballots cast and she took lion's share of the rest.

Several Clinton supporters attended the rally at Mason. But most said they, too, were glad to see their candidate campaigning hard for Obama.

"I am very happy to see her involved. ... Hillary is a really good example of someone who has put country first," said Alyssa Clemens, a former Clinton supporter and Springfield resident.

Clemens, a military veteran, said she never considered voting for McCain after Clinton lost the Democratic nomination and is supporting Obama.

"John McCain is no friend to [Hillary supporters]. ... I wouldn't vote for John McCain

"There is no any doubt in my mind that the team that will actually work for you all is Barack Obama and Joe Biden."

— Sen. Hillary Clinton (D-N.Y.)



PHOTOS BY ROBBIE HAMMER/THE CONNECTION

Sen. Hillary Clinton (D-N.Y.) speaks in support of Barack Obama on the George Mason University campus on Sunday evening.

if he were the only candidate running," said Clemens.

She added that McCain's attempt to attract Clinton supporters by putting Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin on the Republican ticket was insulting.

"Ladies, we have waited this long, we can wait another eight years," said Clemens.

CLINTON also made it very clear that she endorsed Obama and wanted her supporters to back the Democrat when she appeared at Mason's campus.

"There is no any doubt in my mind that the team that will actually work for you all is Barack Obama and Joe Biden," said Clinton, who has attended about 75 campaign events for the Democratic candidates.

"If you were there for me, I am asking you to do everything you can in these closing hours to win Virginia [for Obama]," she said.

The New York senator wanted to clear up any confusion caused by one of the Republican campaign's latest robocalls to voters in battleground states. The Republican National Committee has disseminated a recording of Clinton made during the Democratic primary criticizing Obama and implying McCain is more fit for the presidency. The original statement was intended to tout Clinton as the better candidate to face McCain.

"In the White House, there is no time for speeches and on-the-job training. Senator McCain will bring a lifetime of experience to the campaign and Senator Obama will bring a speech he gave in 2002. I think that is a significant difference," said Clinton in the recording used by Republicans.

During the rally, Clinton said of the recording: "My name is Hillary Clinton and I do not approve that message."



Clinton, who ran against Barack Obama in the Democratic primary, stumps for him Sunday night at GMU.

The former first lady also alluded to a potential sea change in Virginia's political persuasion and the commonwealth's importance to Obama's national campaign.

"There is a chance for you to be on the winning side in this election. ... Virginia will make a difference in this election," said Clinton.

Some local Obama supporters said they have already seen a shift in Virginia's political winds this election season.

Obama signs have started cropping up over the past month in Clemens's neighborhood, which is home to some people who work with or for the Department of Defense, she said.

In another sign of Virginia's new "toss up" status, George Mason freshman Miranda Okuniewski registered to vote in Fairfax County instead of her home state of Pennsylvania, another competitive state.

"I switched it to vote here. I felt like I had more of a say here," said Okuniewski.



An Obama supporter holds up a sign during Sunday's rally at the Johnson Center.

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Divorce Recovery Workshop, a nine-week program on Wednesday evenings through Nov. 12, at 7:30 p.m. The program is free; book (used) is \$12. Messiah United Methodist Church, 6215 Rolling Road, Springfield. Contact Mary Stedman at 703-569-9862, ext. 213, or mstedman@messiahumc.org.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Christmas Bazaar is Saturday, Nov. 15, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Local crafters, a room just for children to shop in, a tea room, and a Grandma's Attic with "nearly new" gifts. St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 6509 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. 703-455-2500.

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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.

A casual worship service with a praise band is at 9:45 a.m. at Sydenstricker United Methodist Church, 8508 Hooes Road in Springfield. Visit www.sumcdisciples.org or call 703-451-8223.

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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, and are open to all adults at no

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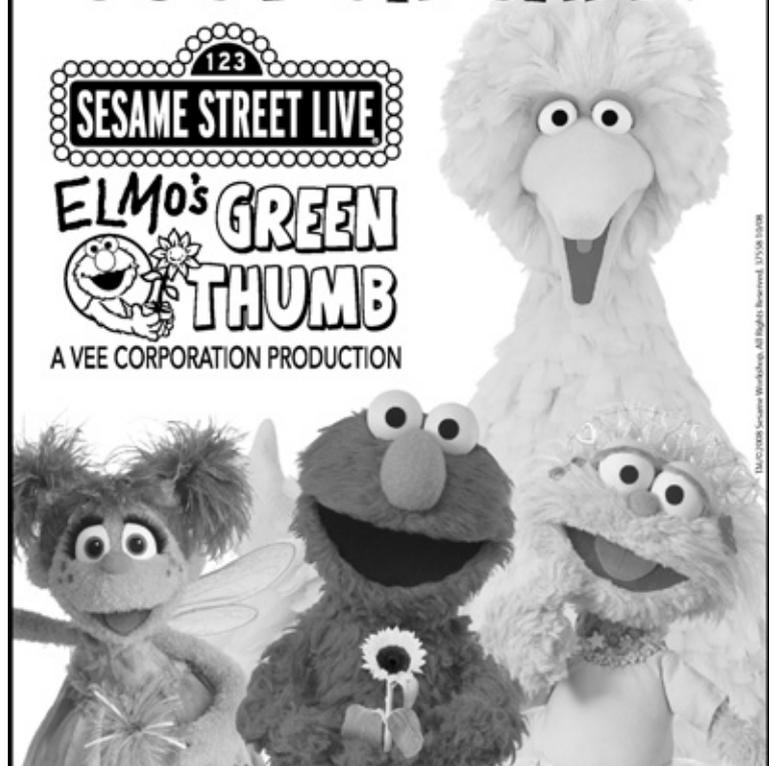
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Friends of the Kings Park Library Book Sale. 1-8 p.m. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. 703-978-5600.

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FRIDAY/NOV. 7

Jeremy Denk. 8 p.m. Piano at The Barns. Tickets \$35. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.

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"Footloose," 7:30 p.m. at the W.T. Woodson Performing Arts Department, 9525 Main St., Fairfax. 703-503-4600 or wtwdrama.org.

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Hubbard Street Dance Chicago, 8 p.m. at the George Mason University Center for the Arts, on the Fairfax campus at the intersection of Braddock Road and Route 123. Pre-performance discussion begins at 7:15 p.m. on the Center's Grand Tier III. Tickets are \$22-\$44. Children 12 and under half price. Charge tickets at 888-945-2468 or www.tickets.com.

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W.T. Woodson High School PTSA Craft Fair, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Frost Middle School, 4101 Pickett Road, Fairfax. Free admission. 703-321-8373.

The Fairfax Master Naturalists Fall Tree ID Program, 1-3 p.m. at Lake Accotink Park. Learn from Virginia Department of Forestry experts Jim McGlone and Bryant Bays and hear the latest about the emerald ash borer infestation. Meet in the main parking lot near the dam, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield. Free, no registration required. Contact Karen Monroe at FMNvolunteer@cox.net or visit www.virginiamasternaturalist.org/fairfax.html.

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Chad & Jeremy, 7:30 p.m. British folk-rock at The Barns. Tickets \$25. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.

Captain John Smith's 1608 Trip Up the Potomac; with Charles Clark, Arlington County Historian. 2 p.m.; free. Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center, 10209 Main Street, Fairfax. 703-385-8414 or www.fairfaxva.gov.

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GMU Chamber Ensembles, 2 p.m. in the Harris Theater, George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Free. 703-993-8794.

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Jazz Workshop with Paul Pieper, 2 p.m. \$5. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

Egypt Central and Cerca Trova, 7 p.m. \$12. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. 703-255-1566.

Hypnotist Jimi Gibson, 7 p.m. at the Fairfax High School Auditorium, 3500 Old Lee Highway. Presented by the Fairfax High School 2009 All Night Graduation Celebration Committee. Tickets \$10. 703-830-8699.

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Teen Book Chat: Mother-Daughter Book Discussion Group. Call for title. Age 12-16 with adult. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. 703-978-5600.

The Arlington Rose Foundation Annual Rose Bush Auction, at 7:30 p.m. at Merrifield Garden Center, 12101 Lee Highway, Fairfax. Free admission, refreshments will be served. 703 860 0071.

Brendan James, 7:30 p.m. \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

TUESDAY/NOV.11

GMU Symphonic Band Concert, 8 p.m. in the Concert Hall, George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. \$15 adults, \$10 students and seniors. 703-993-8794.

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Magician and author Joshua Jay, book signing and performance 2-3 p.m. at Borders Books, 11054 Lee Highway, Fairfax. 703-359-8420. Visit www.JoshuaJay.com.

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Duncan Sheik with Lauren Pritchard, 8 p.m. at The Barns. Tickets \$30. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap

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"A Few Seconds of Panic" book signing with author Stefan Fatsis. 7:30 p.m. Age 13 and up. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. 703-293-6227.

Tiny tots. 10:15 a.m. Very short stories and fingerplays. Age 13-17 months with adult. Pohick Regional Library, 6450 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. 703-644-7333.

Small Wonders. Shorts stories and activities. Age 18-23 months with adult. Pohick Regional Library, 6450 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. 703-644-7333.

Book Discussion Group: "The Namesake" by Jhumpa Lahiri. 1 p.m. Adults. Pohick Regional Library, 6450 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. 703-644-7333.

Faculty Artist Series: Stanley Curtis on Trumpet, 8 p.m. in the Harris Theater, George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Free. 703-993-8794.

Love and Reverie, Von Iva, Roslyn and Apathy Eulogy. Rock. 6:30 p.m. \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

THURSDAY/NOV. 13

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A Friendly Game

Robinson's Fox and Regensburg of Fairfax start and end football careers together.

BY JASON MACKEY
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speedy feature back and Regensburg the power fullback.

All along, Chris Regensburg knew it was a game he didn't want to miss. Not only would he line up for the final time on a high school football field, he'd do it against an old friend and former teammate.

A pair of senior running backs, Chris Regensburg of Fairfax and Robinson's Wynton Fox grew up playing football together in various Southwestern Youth Association leagues. While sharing the same backfield, Regensburg and Fox developed a mutual respect and friendship away from the football field.

For Regensburg, who suffered a hairline fracture of his fibula against Chantilly on Oct. 17, his status for this game was very much in jeopardy. Still, the hard-hitting running back dealt with the hard-hitting pain and carried three times for 12 yards.

After getting "sandwiched" during a 3-yard gain midway through the first quarter, that was it. Regensburg was done. As he returned to the sideline, Regensburg found himself doing something that he hadn't done much of before. He watched Fox run.

"I was upset that it was my last game, but it was still pretty cool just watching him tear up our team," said Regensburg. "He had gotten a lot better since last year. He hit a couple of holes against us, and he's just got that extra gear."

On those SYA teams, Fox was always the

WHETHER HE WAS three yards ahead throwing a crushing block or faking a dive play so Fox could slither untouched for 72 yards, Regensburg's eyes were never on Fox.

But from the first carry of the game, it became apparent that most eyes would focus on Regensburg's counterpart. Starting the game with a standard off-tackle play to the right, Fox made two moves and cut back against the grain to his left, leaving Fairfax — and Regensburg — grasping at air.

The 64-yard touchdown was one of three that Fox would score on the night, as Robinson (5-5) barreled its way to a 49-14 win. In all, Fox carried eight times for 162 yards, averaging 20.3 yards per carry.

Fox might have won the battle, but Regensburg can still lay claim to the war, albeit not by much.

For the Rebels (4-6) this season, Regensburg rushed for 916 yards and 10 touchdowns on 155 carries (5.9 avg.), while Fox totaled 913 yards and nine touchdowns on 132 carries (6.9 avg.) Regensburg also recorded 105 receiving yards and one touchdown to 215 yards and three scores for Fox.

WITH 1,829 YARDS between them, it was a rushing output that any coach would enjoy. For SYA's Gary McInturff, who coached the boys when they were in seventh grade on his 85-pound SYA American team, he had that sort of production and loved it.

"They weren't selfish and at that age that's pretty key."

— Gary McInturff



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With a friendship developed during Southwestern Youth Association football, Fairfax's Chris Regensburg, right, and Robinson's Wynton Fox played their final football game against one another last Friday night.

Though his team used several offensive sets, McInturff would often use a split-back formation with Regensburg and Fox lined up evenly behind his offensive tackles. When the team shifted into the I-formation, Regensburg would block for Fox.

"They weren't selfish and at that age that's pretty key," McInturff said. "You have some kids who want to run the ball and don't want to block, but they were both good blockers too."

Like many relationships these days, the one between Regensburg and Fox is kept

alive digitally. Whether it has meant a text message, instant message or the occasional phone call, the duo has kept close tabs on each other's football careers.

But as both teams' seasons ended last Friday, Regensburg and Fox might not talk as much during the winter and spring sports seasons. Then again, maybe they will.

"I wish I could've seen him out there on his last game," Fox said. "But of course, I'm going to call him up and brag to him ... but of course we're still going to be great friends."

WEEK IN SPORTS

Execution Key Against Spartans

When this year's crop of W.T. Woodson football seniors were freshman, the Cavaliers went 3-7. After the team's most recent playoff appearance in 2004, a huge letdown would follow as several seniors that year walked away from the team.

This season, the team's first playoff appearance since 2004, W.T. Woodson's seniors hope to have a little bit more of a lasting impact.

The Cavaliers will travel to West Springfield on Friday, hoping to at least slow down the Spartans' vaunted passing attack (scoring 41.2 points per game).

"I don't know if you can stop it, but I think you just have to kind of play consistent and not give up the big plays," said third-year coach Trey Taylor, who has led his Cavaliers to a 7-3 record this season.

With quarterback Connor Reilly (1,628 passing yards, 19 touchdowns) and wide receiver Max Waizenegger (44 catches, 806 yards and 13 touchdowns), W.T. Woodson has a passing attack that could rival that of West Springfield.

Still, it doesn't matter whom the Cavaliers play, execution will be the key.

"Our focus is going to be moving the chains," Taylor said. "It doesn't matter if we're playing Westfield or West Springfield, we have to execute or we're going to be turning in our stuff after the game."

Robinson Optimistic For State Meet

After his boys and girls cross-country teams logged second- and third-place finishes, respectively, at the Oct. 31 Northern Region championship meet, Robinson coach Jeremy Workman let out a sigh of relief.

He felt that the second of three postseason meets provided the easiest opportunity to "choke" and was pleased that both of his teams didn't.

"The main thing is that we're moving on," Workman said. "I was proud of the fact that both teams got into the top three. I'm not satisfied, but we're right where we need to be and that's all I can ask right now."

Workman has had his share of talented teams, most recently winning Virginia AAA state titles in 1999 (boys) and 2001 (girls).

With the top four teams and 15 individual finishers qualifying for Saturday's state meet at Great Meadow in The Plains, Workman likes his team's chances on the 3.1-mile course.

"It's very hilly. It's a true 5K and a true cross-country course," Workman said. "I feel like we're at our best on a true 5K course, which has not been the case during my previous years."

Last Thursday, senior Jared Berman finished fourth with 15 minutes, 31.48 seconds and senior Stephanie Bray took 15th place with 18:30.14.

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goods over to Bagram Air Base in Afghanistan in December 2007. The shipment consisted of coats, tarps, tools and other goods.

The Lamia Afghan Foundation grew out of a mission called Operation Care. The organization is based in Nashville and made up of nine board members. It earned its name from a girl named Lamia in a small village in Afghanistan. When retired Lt. Gen. John Bradley of the U.S. Air Force was helping to distribute goods in the village, Lamia asked Bradley for a pair of boots.

It was his wife, Jan Bradley, who helped organized efforts to send over shoes and other basic items to the citizens of Afghanistan, including a pair of boots for Lamia. The Bradleys then started an organization to further efforts to help the children of Afghanistan.

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OPINION

Share Your Voting Experiences

Readers invited to share experiences at the polls. Much More on Our Web Site

Northern Virginia voters turned out in record numbers on Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 4. Election results and more stories about residents' experiences on Election Day appear in this edition of the Connection and on our Web site.

We'd also like to invite you to share experiences of all kinds that you had voting on Election Day or voting absentee. We're interested in positive experiences as well as concerns or problems. Perhaps you waited for more than

an hour, but used the time to make new friends or catch up with old ones. Perhaps you saw a polling place where one election working made a difference by being exceptionally organized or exceptionally pleasant.

We're interested in the experience of people with disabilities. We did hear that some people with disabilities and some older voters were subjected to unbearable waits for curbside voting in some places. We'd like to know if you are a voter with disabilities what kind of experience you had, easy or hard.

—MARY KIMM,

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Process above Partisan Politics

Forty-year procedure for choosing judges serves Commonwealth well.

BY DEL. DAVE MARSDEN
D-41

As I write this, I am preparing to meet with the other delegates and senators who represent Fairfax County in the General Assembly to select a new judge for the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court. The vacancy was created by the elevation of the Honorable David Schell to the Circuit Court.

I once spoke with a staff member at the National Association of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, who shared with me that many people believe that Virginia has the finest judiciary in the country. In Virginia, judges are appointed by the legislature, and in Fairfax County we have devised a very fair and impartial way of selecting judges for our courts. The current system was put in place over 40 years ago in an effort to keep partisan politics out of the selection process.

Every delegate or senator who represents part of Fairfax County is able to vote by secret ballot for the judge of his or her choosing. This

vote occurs only after extensive interviews of the candidates by a judicial selection committee of the Fairfax County Bar Association and a vote of all bar members as to the suitability of all of the candidates for a judgeship. The Asian, Hispanic and Black Bar Associations also conduct interviews and make recommendations.

Candidates are then referred to the Fairfax General Assembly members as either not qualified, qualified, recommended, or highly recommended by the Bar. After reviewing this material, the judicial candidates are then interviewed by the members of the General Assembly, and their merits are discussed prior to the vote being taken. A judge must be elected by a majority, so multiple votes can occur until one candidate receives that majority.

Candidates selected through this process are then referred to the Judicial Selection Committee made up of senators and delegates who serve on the Courts of Justice committees in

Springfield community on Wednesday, Oct. 29. The Fight Back Express, which has been traveling the entire country, will make one of its final stops at the Giant grocery store in the Cardinal Forest Plaza on Old Keene Mill Road on Oct. 29 from 4-7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend this event.

Attendees will be invited to show their support for putting cancer at the top of the nation's agenda by signing the bus. In addition, you will have the opportunity to show your support for protecting the health of all workers in Virginia by sending a message to Del. Dave

Albo (R-42) in support of making all workplaces in Virginia smoke-free 24 hours a day.

ACS CAN, the sister advocacy organization of the American Cancer Society, is committed to evidence-based policy and legislation that boost cancer research funding at all levels; broaden access to cancer prevention methods, early detection tools and treatment; and strengthen tobacco control measures.

Find out more about the ACS CAN Fight Back Express at www.acscan.org/bus and let your voice be one of the millions heard across the country this election season in support of making can-

cer a top national priority. Too many of us continue to lose loved ones who fought valiantly to win their personal wars against cancer. It is time to fight back. If one person can battle this disease, a nation can defeat it.

S. Carter Steger
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POLITICS

Connolly To Succeed Davis in Congress

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the City of Fairfax.

Connolly also won in the part of the 11th District that overlaps with Prince William County, where he received 51.85 percent of the vote.

"While I congratulate Gerry Connolly on his win, his victory was not resounding. I think those numbers indicate voters had some doubts about his leadership of this county," said Jim Hyland, chairman of the Fairfax County Republican Committee.

CONNOLLY'S move to Congress will trigger at least one special election — and possibly one or two more — for local positions this year.

Residents will vote in special election for a new chairman in February or March following Connolly's resignation as county chairman in early January.

At least two candidates, Supervisors Sharon Bulova (D-Braddock) and Patrick Herrity (R-Springfield), have already expressed interest in the chairman's race.

Bulova, who has represented the Braddock District for 21 years, has said she will officially kick off her bid for county chairman Nov. 12, and has already secured a campaign staff manager for the race.

"I think I can do a very good job as chairman. I was mainly happy serving the



Sen.-elect Mark Warner, Gov. Tim Kaine and Sen. Jim Webb watch early results while attending the Democrat watch party in McLean on Tuesday night.

Braddock District, but now I think it is something I should do and can do well," said Bulova at the Democratic victory party in Tysons Corner on election night.

Bulova cited her leadership on regional

commissions and the county board's budget committee chair as preparation for the chairman's position.

As a district supervisor, Bulova said she has also taken on Fairfax County's larger

problems, like transportation. She was instrumental in bringing one of state most successful public transportation systems, the Virginia Railway Express, into existence, she said.

If elected, the Braddock supervisor said she would bring a style different than Connolly's to the county's highest office.

"Gerry and I are both policy wonks and budget wonks, but my temperament is different. I am more measured," said Bulova.

Herrity could not be reached for this article, though Fairfax County Republicans said they expected him to announce his own chairman campaign soon.

"Pat Herrity is highly likely to be a candidate for that spot," said Hyland the day after Connolly won his election for Congress.

Herrity is in his first year on the county board but could bring name recognition to the race. His father, Jack Herrity, served 16 years on the Board of Supervisors, including 12 years as chairman.

In his short time on the county board, Patrick Herrity has butted heads with Connolly several times, particularly on how county money set aside for affordable housing has been spent.

A victory by either Bulova or Herrity in the chairman race would automatically lead to a second special election for a district supervisor this spring.

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Republicans Endure Losses in Local, National Races

FROM PAGE 3

district buoyed spirits throughout the night. With the results still in doubt, Fimian took the stage to chants of "Go Keith, Go!" from those in attendance. He thanked outgoing U.S. Rep. Tom Davis (R-11), who he said "pulled me out of a hat for this race."

"I have to tell you I'm more energized today than I've ever been about this country," said Fimian.

STATE AND county Republicans expressed the need for changes in their approach to Virginia voters in the wake of Obama's victory. Del. Dave Albo (R-42) said the party had gotten away from talking about how to solve problems. He pointed to negative advertisements run in 2005 against gubernatorial candidate Tim Kaine's (D) comments on the death penalty and in 2006 against Sen. candidate Jim Webb (D) regarding books he had written before his political career was launched.

"That doesn't talk about how your kids are going to college or how you're going to build roads," said Albo. "We need a more solutions-based approach."

Supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield) said his party needed to start being more competitive in Northern Virginia if they wanted to reverse their trend of electoral defeat.

"The Republican Party in Virginia needs to find a message," said Herrity, "the kind



Congressional candidate Keith Fimian and Jim Hyland, chairman of the Fairfax County Republican Committee, talk with Susan Jones as she checks the precinct numbers on her laptop.

of message that resonates with Virginia and Fairfax County voters."

Some at Tuesday night's reception expressed frustration and anger about the results.

"Because of what I know about Obama, he has basically no morals," said Lisa Montgomery.

"It's going to be nice, we're going to be on guard," said Heather West, pointing to

increased Democratic majorities in the House and Senate. "[Obama] will have no excuse if he fails."

Lisa's husband, Butch Montgomery, said he completely disagreed with Obama on issues like the economy, abortion and taxes, but that if elected he would accept it, using his reaction to Bill Clinton's election 1992 as a model.

"I didn't like [Clinton], but I'll honor the

position," he said.

The 11th District Congressional race was the last race keeping those that hadn't already left the country club from going home. At 10:30 p.m., Fox News called the race for Connolly. Fimian informed those at the reception on his intention to concede the race to Connolly.

"These results, they swept a lot of [Republicans] away tonight," he said.

He thanked his staffers, supporters and family, stressing the need to avoid falling into despair.

"We should take a lot of heart in what we have and not focus on what we don't have. There was a lot of talk this election about change. Well, in two years, people are going to want to see a lot of change," said Fimian to cheers from the remaining supporters.

In an interview with The Connection after his concession, Fimian said he was inspired by the people he met as a candidate.

"Having never run before, I didn't know what to expect," he said. "What I realized is how many people love our country and care deeply about it."

When asked what he had learned about himself throughout the course of the campaign, he pointed to his work ethic, saying hard work pays off.

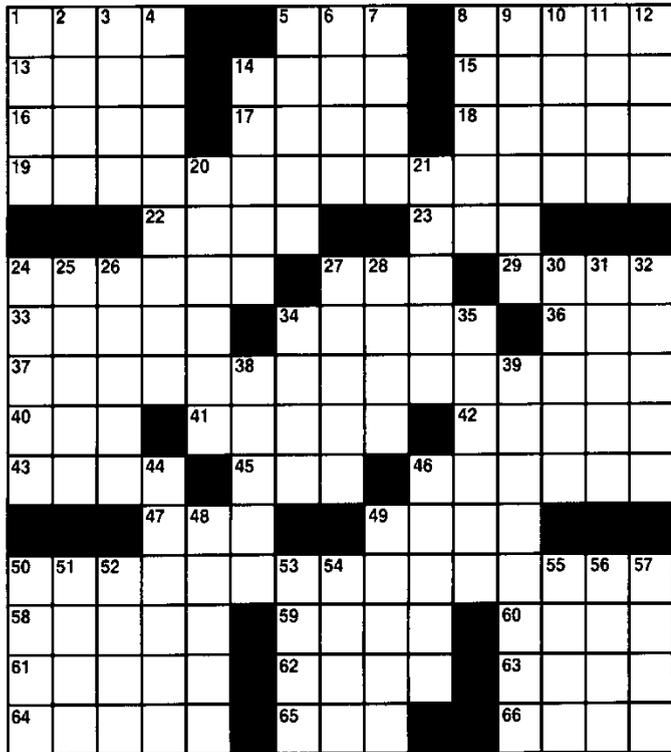
"I left everything out there. This cycle I came up short but I'm convinced that the secret to success in American is hard work," said Fimian.

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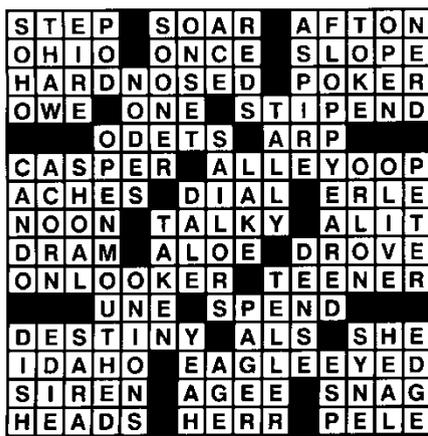
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- 5 One-time Chinese chairman
- 8 Hoopster Gilmore
- 13 A Great Lake
- 14 Zeus's wife
- 15 Stop
- 16 Dudley Do-Right's love
- 17 Apiece
- 18 Avignon's river
- 19 Quip about links lovers, part 1
- 22 Baseball bosses: Abbr.
- 23 Magazine income producers
- 24 Beads worn by a nun
- 27 Wish for a hot summer day
- 29 "What the —!"
- 33 Keep away from
- 34 Gaels, etc.
- 36 Rap's Dr. —
- 37 Quip, part 2
- 40 Consumed
- 41 Old photo color
- 42 Confiscate
- 43 Eliot's Adam —
- 45 Lobsterlike
- 46 Made amends (for)
- 47 "— nuff!"
- 49 Get-ready work
- 50 Quip, part 3
- 58 Dancer Ailey
- 59 Treaty preceders
- 60 "A Doll's House" heroine
- 61 Former Big Apple mayor Abe
- 62 Suffix with concession
- 63 St. Patrick's land
- 64 Goes it alone
- 65 Cagy
- 66 Wallop

DOWN

- 1 Successor to 5-Across
- 2 Chocolate-and-cream cookie
- 3 Part of a fish
- 4 Successful through one's own efforts
- 5 Beef, pork, etc.
- 6 St. Louis landmark
- 7 Hawaiian island
- 8 Bitter
- 9 Go over again
- 10 Town NNE of Santa Fe
- 11 "— She Lovely?"
- 12 Understands
- 14 Husband to Catherine, Anne, Jane, Anne, Catherine and Catherine
- 20 Marsh birds
- 21 Big bag carrier
- 24 Therapeutic center, for short
- 39 Unlocked again
- 44 Alaska native
- 46 Get up
- 48 Dancer Gregory
- 49 Actor Luke
- 50 Bell —
- 51 Butter substitute
- 52 Race track shape
- 53 "— the night before . . ."
- 54 Honor, as a conquering hero
- 55 In days of —
- 56 Skater Heiden
- 57 Went under

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



- 25 Like some leaves
- 26 Used a piggy bank
- 27 Malodorous
- 28 — Romeo (Italian auto)
- 30 Newsman Newman
- 31 Fad
- 32 Atwitter, with "up"
- 34 Superhero accessory
- 35 Many a bridesmaid
- 38 Long-necked bird

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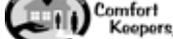
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IN THE FAMILY COURT OF THE
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COUNTY OF Horry)
CASE NO.: 2008-DR-26-2386

Mary Roe,
Plaintiff,) **SUMMONS**

vs.)
John Doe,
Defendant,)

In Re: Ryan Grant Spriet Morgan

(DOB: 9/22/03), and Emma Danyelle

Spriet Morgan (DOB: 9/22/03), minors

under the age of fourteen (14) years.

TO: the Defendant above named:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to Answer the Complaint in this action, a copy of which is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your Answer to the Complaint on the attorney for the Plaintiff at 1500 U. S. Highway 17 North, The Courtyard, Suite 301, P. O. Drawer 14950, Surfside Beach, South Carolina 29587, within thirty (30) days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service, and if you fail to Answer the Complaint within the time aforesaid, the Plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for judgment by default for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

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Case No. 2008-DR-26-2386

MARY ROE,
Plaintiff,

vs.

John Doe,
Defendant.

TO: JOHN DOE, AN UNKNOWN FATHER:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED pursuant to the provisions of South Carolina Code, Ann., Section 20-7-1734 (1987), that the minor children, Ryan Grant Spriet Morgan and Emma Danyelle Spriet Morgan, reside with the Plaintiff who desires to adopt them. The Plaintiff has filed an adoption action in the above Family Court. The Plaintiff is herein referred to by a fictitious name. The natural mother of the minor children is Amy Danyelle Spriet, and the children were born on September 22, 2003 at Georgetown Memorial Hospital in Georgetown, South Carolina.

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