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Sen.-elect Mark Warner speaks to supporters during a Democrat watch party in McLean, following the announcement that he had defeated opponent, Jim Gilmore.

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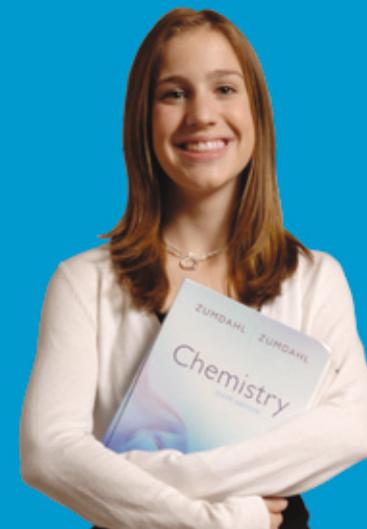
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# Obama, Connolly, Warner Win

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

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE  
THE CONNECTION

**F**airfax 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

**A**t 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

Area voters head to polls amid record 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,



**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.**

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.

By noon Tuesday, the Clifton Elementary

**"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**

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 really 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

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## NEWS BRIEFS

### Real Estate Broker Sentenced For Defrauding Lorton Couple

The president of a Vienna real estate firm was sentenced Friday, Oct. 31 to 70 months in federal prison for defrauding clients of more than \$1 million.

Rajasekhar Marni, 47 of Reston, pleaded guilty in August to federal wire fraud and money laundering in connection with a real estate fraud scheme in 2005 and 2006.

Judge T.S. Ellis III also ordered that Marni pay \$1,117,000 in restitution to his victims.

Marni, the president of Loanworth Corporation, Inc. in Vienna, defrauded three sets of clients of more than \$1 million, according to Dana J. Boente, acting U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia, and Joseph Persichini Jr., assistant director in charge of the FBI's Washington Field Office.

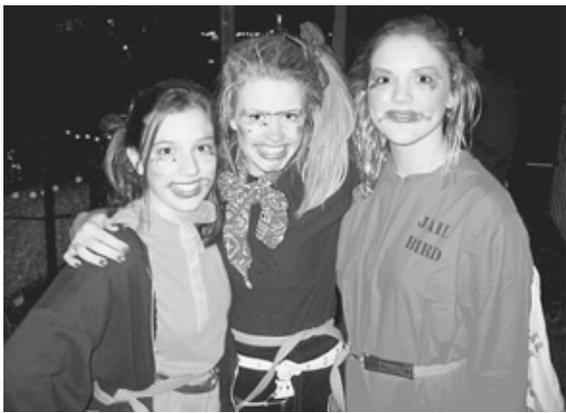
In March 2006, Marni arranged to purchase a Fairfax Station house for \$889,000. Marni had the homeowners, who agreed to finance Marni's purchase, transfer the title to him while he signed a deed of trust detailing terms of the loan. But Marni never recorded the loan with Fairfax County although he submitted documentation transferring the title to him, according to Boente. He eventually sold the property to a third party and used the proceeds to buy a house for himself in Vienna.

Marni also admitted to defrauding a Lorton couple by convincing them to transfer the title of their property to Loanworth Corporation, Inc. for six months. During that time, he took out more than \$227,000 loans against the property. After the title was returned, one of Marni's lenders foreclosed on the home, resulting in a loss of the victim's equity in the property, according to Boente.

— KEN MOORE



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



The Ross family: Haley, Emma and Sarah.



Julia, Bella and Meredith Ross.

# Halloweentown

More than 900 people come to Clifton to trick-or-treating.



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From left are Dylan Robertson, Claire Spina, Ian Mitchell, Nicole Spina, Ivy Mitchell and Sean Robertson, in front of Deb Dillard's home. She made trick-or-treaters recite a joke or she told them a joke as she distributed candy.



Jack Pearson is a pirate.



Matthew Rollings, 1, came as a pumpkin.

# Voters Head to Polls Tuesday

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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 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.

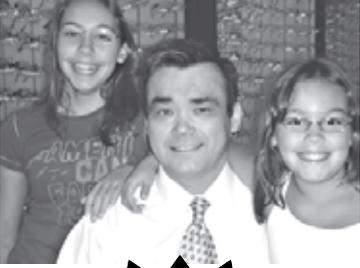
However, traditional platform issues like abortion still managed to sway some voters regardless of their feelings about the candidates.

"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."

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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

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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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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."

**"We think of this as a hand up, not a hand out."**  
— Jan Bradley

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."

**THE LAST DRIVE** that the Lamia Afghan Foundation was involved in sent over 39,000 pounds of

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**Rocky Guttmann,** 8-12 p.m. at Kate's Irish Pub and Restaurant, 6131 Backlick Road Springfield. 703-866-0860.

**Shakespeare's "Comedy of Errors,"** 8 p.m. at the George Mason University Center for the Arts, on the Fairfax campus of George Mason University at the intersection of Braddock Road and Route 123. Tickets \$17-\$34. Children 12 and under half price. Charge by phone at 888-945-2468 or visit www.tickets.com. Visit www.gmu.edu.cfa.

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**White Lion featuring Mike Tramp with Baby Jayne, Bloodlines, Mis-Fit and more.** Age 21 and over. 8 p.m. \$18 in advance, \$20 at the door. Jaxx Night Club, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. 703-569-5940 or www.jaxxroxx.com.



**White Lion featuring Mike Tramp will be performing on Saturday, Nov. 8, with Baby Jayne, Bloodlines, Mis-Fit and more, at Jaxx Night Club in Springfield.**

**Dare to Share's "Invincible Event"** at 8:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Tickets \$49, available at www.dare2share.org. George Mason Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Circle, Fairfax. www.patriotcenter.com.

**Family Outdoor Movie Night.** 7-9 p.m. Large outside screen, open concessions. \$15 per car. Occoquan Regional Park, 9520 Ox Road, Lorton. 703-690-2121.

**Young Peoples Theatre fall show, "Fiddler on the Roof, Jr.,"** at New Hope Church, 8905 Ox Road, Lorton. 3 p.m. Reserved seats \$10, unreserved seats \$12. www.YPTNVA.com or 703-866-3546.

**Rocky Guttmann,** 8:30-12:30 p.m. at Kate's Irish Pub, 6131 Backlick Road Springfield. 703-866-0860.

**Seventh Annual Franconia History Day.** 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Franconia

Elementary School, 6043 Franconia Road. Free admission. Music, local history presentations, historical displays and trivia contest. Local authors book signings. Refreshments available. Contact Jim Cox at 703-971-7943 or Franconiamuseum@yahoo.com. Visit www.franconiamuseum.org.

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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 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](http://www.tickets.com). Visit [www.gmu.edu/cfa](http://www.gmu.edu/cfa).

**Friends of the Kingstowne Library Book Sale.** 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. 703-339-4610.

**"Footloose,"** 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the W.T. Woodson High School, 9525 Main St., Fairfax. 703-503-4600 or [wtwdrama.org](http://wtwdrama.org).

**Theater of the First Amendment presents Jack Gilhooley's "The Warrior,"** at George Mason University's TheaterSpace at 8 p.m. The performance will be followed by a panel discussion on the effects of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. This play contains adult language. Tickets are \$15. Charge by phone at 888-945-2468 or [www.tickets.com](http://www.tickets.com). TheaterSpace is located on the Fairfax campus of George Mason University at the intersection of Braddock Road and Route 123. [www.gmu.edu/cfa](http://www.gmu.edu/cfa).

**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 Laramie Project,"** 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at South County Secondary School, 8501 Silverbrook Road, Lorton. Adults \$10, under 18 \$6. 703-446-1591.

**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](mailto:FMNvolunteer@cox.net) or visit [www.virginiamasternaturalist.org/fairfax.html](http://www.virginiamasternaturalist.org/fairfax.html).

**Rocky Guttman,** 8:30-12:30 p.m. at Kate's Irish Pub, 6131 Backlick Road Springfield. 703-866-0860.

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## SUNDAY/NOV. 9

**Playhouse Disney Live!** 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. Tickets \$22-\$55. George Mason University Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Circle. Call 703-993-3000 or visit [www.patriotcenter.com](http://www.patriotcenter.com).

**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.

**Percussion Ensemble Recital,** 7 p.m. in the Harris Theater, George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Free. 703-993-8794.

## MONDAY/NOV. 10

**Let's Make a Gift.** 3:30 p.m. After-school crafts. Age 6-12. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. 703-971-0010.

**Leaf Jumpers.** 10:30 a.m. Stories and songs. Age 24-35 months with adult. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. 703-339-4610.

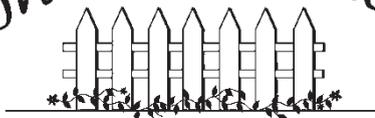
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**Open Mic Night**, 8 p.m. at Kate's Irish Pub and Restaurant, 6131 Backlick Road Springfield. 703-866-0860 or www.katesirishpub.com.

## TUESDAY/NOV. 11

**Veterans' Day Commemoration**, 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Col. George Mason was a member of the Virginia militia. Mansion tours, period reenactors and how Mason furthered the cause of American freedom. Gunston Hall, 10709 Gunston road, Mason Neck. www.gunstonhall.org.  
**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.

## WEDNESDAY/NOV. 12

**Practice Your English Conversation Group**, 10:15 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. 703-339-4610.  
**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.

## THURSDAY/NOV. 13

**George Mason University Speaker Series: Virginia Ashby Sharpe, Ph.D.**, Georgetown University Medical Ethicist, National Center for Ethics in Healthcare, U.S. Veterans Health Administration. Free. 6 p.m. at George Mason University, 4400 University Drive, Mason Hall, Room D3AB, Fairfax. 703-993-1850 or chpre.gmu.edu.  
**Lighters and Matches are Tools for Grownups Only**, 1:30 p.m. Age 4-5 with adult. Lorton Library, 9520 Richmond Highway, Lorton. 703-339-7385.  
**What's New in Picture Books**, 7 p.m. Learn about new books for preschoolers. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. 703-971-0010.  
**Fall Fun**, 1 p.m. Stories and activities. Age 3-5 with adult. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. 703-339-4610.  
**Women in the Military Memorial**, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at Springfield Golf & Country Club, 8301 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield. Brig. Gen. Wilma Vaught, U.S.A.F. (Ret.) President of the Board of Directors of the Women in Military Service for America Memorial Foundation, will speak about the memorial and recount stories of women who have served the nation. \$17. 703-768-4543.  
**Workshop Jazz Band**, 8 p.m. in the Harris Theater, George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Free. 703-993-8794.  
**Dave Berry**, 8 p.m. at Kate's Irish Pub and Restaurant, 6131 Backlick Road Springfield. 703-866-0860 or www.katesirishpub.com.

## FRIDAY/NOV. 14

**Y&T with Switched at Birth**, Gate 1, Sinners Trail and NeoComplex. Age 21 and over. 7:30 p.m. \$25 in advance, \$28 at the door. Jaxx Night Club, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. 703-569-5940 or www.jaxxroxx.com.  
**Dave Berry**, 8-12 p.m. at Kate's Irish Pub and Restaurant, 6131 Backlick Road Springfield. 703-866-0860.  
**The Kirov Orchestra under Valery Gergiev**, at the George Mason University Center for the Arts, on the Fairfax campus at the intersection of



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Braddock Road and Route 123. 8 p.m. Tickets are \$30-\$60. Charge by phone at 888-945-2468 or visit www.tickets.com. Visit www.gmu.edu/cfa.  
**Christopher Paul Curtis, author of "The Watsons Go to Birmingham - 1963" and "Bud, Not Buddy"**, 7:30 p.m. at the Fairfax County Government Center, Board Auditorium, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Books available for sale and signing. 703-324-8428.  
**Lunch Bunch**, 12 p.m. Bring lunch, listen to stories. Birth-5 with adult. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. 703-971-0010.  
**"Footloose"**, 7:30 p.m. at the W.T. Woodson Performing Arts Department, 9525 Main St., Fairfax. 703-503-4600 or wtwtdrama.org.  
**"Fiddler On The Roof"**, 7 p.m. at Thomas Edison High School, 5801 Franconia Road, Alexandria. Tickets \$8. 703-924-8014 or edisondrama.com.  
**"Pippin"**, 7:30 p.m. at Robert E. Lee High School, 6450 Franconia Road, Springfield. Adults \$10, students \$8. 703-729-8438 or lincertheatre.net.  
**Faculty Artist Series: Improvised Music by Glenn Smith and Steven Nachmonovich**, 8 p.m. in the Harris Theater, George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Free. 703-993-8794.  
**Home for the Holidays**, a fund-raising event for United Community Ministries, at Collingwood Library & Museum on Americanism, 8301 East Boulevard Drive, Alexandria. Preview Cocktail Party, 6-9 p.m. \$75 per person. For reservations and group sales, call 703-785-3272. Visit www.ucmagency.org.

**Jumpin' and Jammin' with Mr. Shine**, 10:30 a.m. Music, magic and puppets. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. 703-971-0010.  
**Stormin' Bob the Singing Weatherman**. Stories and songs about the weather. 11 a.m. at the Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. 703-339-4610.  
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## SUNDAY/NOV. 16

**Dave Berry**, 8:30-12:30 p.m. at Kate's Irish Pub and Restaurant, 6131 Backlick Road Springfield. 703-866-0860.  
**University Vocal Jazz Concert**, 3 p.m. in the Harris Theater, George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Free. 703-993-8794.  
**Home for the Holidays**, a fund-raising event for United Community Ministries, at Collingwood Library & Museum on Americanism, 8301 East Boulevard Drive, Alexandria. 11 a.m.-3 p.m., \$15 per person. For reservations and group sales, call 703-785-3272. www.ucmagency.org.

## MONDAY/NOV. 17

**Lighters and Matches are Tools for Grownups Only**, 10:30 a.m. Puppet show by Fairfax County Fire and Rescue. Age 3-5 with Adult. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. 703-339-4610.

# FAITH

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

**Church Women United World Community Day "God's Wisdom Sets Us Free" service** on Friday, Nov. 7 at 10 a.m. at St. John's United Methodist Church, 5312 Backlick Road, Springfield. Barbara Teats will speak on prison ministries. Postal Forever Stamps will be collected for prison ministries. Reception to follow. 703-425-5625.

**Immanuel Christian School Fall Open House** on Tuesday, Nov. 11 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., at 6915 Braddock Road, Springfield. Tours, classroom observation and curriculum available. Fall 2009 kindergarten-eighth grade registration is now open. 703-941-1220 or www.icsva.org.

**Grace Church Veterans Day Program**, Wednesday, Nov. 12 at 9800 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Honoring our country's servicemen and women and highlighting how military chaplain ministries extend into the battlefield, hospital and more. Dinner at 6:15 p.m., program 7-8 p.m. 703 323-8033.

**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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♦**Peace Shabbat Service**, Friday, Nov. 21, 8 p.m. at Congregation Adat Reyim. A musical Erev Shabbat service on the theme of peace, with the Adat Reyim Choir and Shir Reyim Folk Group. 6500 Westbury Oaks Court, Springfield.

♦**David Roth Concert**, Saturday, Nov. 22, 7:30 p.m. at Adat Reyim. Bring a nonperishable food item for donation to ECHO (Ecumenical Communities Helping Others). Tickets are \$18 in advance and \$20 at the door. Tickets at www.AdatReyim.org.

♦**Burke Hunger Walk. Sunday**, Nov. 23, 2 p.m. The 16th Annual Burke CROP (Communities Responding to

Overcome Poverty) Hunger Walk, brings communities of faith together to support efforts to fight hunger. Contact SocialAction@AdatReyim.org.

♦**Interfaith Thanksgiving Service**, Wednesday, Nov. 26, 7:30 p.m. at St. Mary's of Sorrows Catholic Church, 5222 Sideburn Road, Fairfax. Join members of Adat Reyim, Burke Presbyterian Church and The Rumi Forum at St. Mary's for a joint Thanksgiving service, an opportunity to unite with others in thanks, celebrate unity, and reflect on our blessings. 703-978-4141 or www.stmaryofsorrows.org.

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

**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.

**International Calvary Church** is a Christ, Bible and Spirit-centered church. Sunday services are as follows: English services at 9:45 a.m., Korean services at 11:30 a.m. and youth services at 11:30 a.m. Sunday School is as follows: English classes at 11:30 a.m. and children's classes at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday Bible study and Youth Meeting are at 8 p.m. and Friday Prayer and Youth Meeting take place at 8:30 p.m. For more information, call 703-569-1918. The International Calvary Church is located at 5700 Hanover Ave., Springfield.

**Clifton Presbyterian Church**, located at 12748 Richards Lane, Clifton, offers Sunday worship services at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Call 703-830-3175.

**St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church**, located at 6720 Union Mill Road, Clifton, conducts Sunday masses at 7:30 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. It also offers a Saturday vigil at 5:30 p.m. and a Wednesday Latin mass at 7 p.m. Call 703-817-1770 or visit www.st-andrew.org.

**Kirkwood Presbyterian Church**, located at 8336 Carrleigh Parkway in Springfield, supports a Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) program on the first Wednesday of each month. Meetings are 9:30-11 a.m. at the church. All mothers and children are welcome. The program provides mothers an opportunity to get to know other mothers through discussions and craft activities. Adults in the MOPPET program will care for the children. Cost is \$3 per session. Register by stopping by the church or calling 703-451-5320.

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With an average output of a little more than six wins per season since the school opened in 2005, the South County volleyball team wasn't exactly rewriting the Patriot District record books.

South County had rattled off records of 2-14, 10-8 and 7-14 prior to the start of the 2008 season, scoring two district-tournament victories during that time.

Under fourth-year coach Dave Prahl, the Stallions were simply trying to develop some consistency and to stretch the game by recruiting younger, newer players.

Then this season, with the emergence of a pair of first team All-District performers, Prahl's team suddenly realized it was much closer to its eventual goal than it had realized.

Behind sophomore middle blocker Simone Antwi and junior outside hitter Lindsay Stephens, the Stallions went 16-3 this fall and topped West Springfield last week for their first-ever Patriot District crown.

"At the beginning of the season, coach said to us, 'This is our year to win districts,' and we were like, 'Uh, OK,'" said Stephens, who was named the Patriot District Player of the Year. "But from the first practice, everything just clicked."

**"If she has a great set, she's not going to get blocked."**

— Dave Prahl

Though the Stallions suffered a 3-2 setback to Herndon in the first round of this week's Northern Region tournament, South County will lose only two seniors from this year's squad and should be well positioned as a Patriot power for years to come.

"Ultimately, I thought next year's team would be the one that would take everything, just because I only had two seniors this year," said Prahl, who earned District Coach of the Year honors as well. "But we were able to get it together and come off with [a district title] this year."

**ONLY A YEAR AGO**, Antwi was cemented on the freshman team and Stephens was mired in an uncomfortable spot as a middle blocker. But as Antwi matured and learned the game of volleyball — she only started playing the sport as a freshman — Stephens was able to shift outside, a position where she's been much more comfortable.

The 6-foot Stephens said that last season she was just "getting in the way" up front, spinning around in circles and trying to get involved in the action. The move outside enabled Stephens to get behind the play, and the results have been spectacular. In 19 matches this season, Stephens has totaled 229 kills, an average of 12.1 per match, and hit an impressive .383.

Likewise, Antwi made a major adjustment



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**With a 3-1 win over West Springfield on Oct. 30, the South County volleyball team won its first Patriot District title since the school was built in 2005.**

by even coming out for the sport. As a devoted basketball player, Antwi didn't even want to be bothered with volleyball. However, prior to her freshman year, Antwi's mother insisted that she at least attend try-outs. Antwi ended up falling in love with the sport.

In Stephens' vacated spot, Antwi has also accumulated 229 kills, hit at a .442 clip and posted 27 solo blocks. In the district final against West Springfield, Antwi led South County with 14 kills.

"If she has a great set, she's not going to get blocked," Prahl said.

The sets have been there, as evidenced

by the 600 assists (31.6 per match) posted by one of the team's two seniors, setter Melissa Guy, who was picked as a second team All-District performer. In addition to Guy, South County will also lose defensive specialist Shannon Collins, who was third on the team this season with 100 digs.

The Stallions will also be helped along by the return of junior libero Erica Fairbanks, who led South County with 231 digs and a serve percentage of 94 (39 aces).

"Hopefully, next year, we win regionals and win districts again," Antwi said. "We just need to stay focused and keep our determination and mindset to do it again."

## A Friendly Little Game of Football

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

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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 run-

ning 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 speedy feature back and Regensburg the power fullback.

**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

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

— Gary McInturff

**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-

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# COMMUNITY

## Afghan

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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.

"Today has been a great success so far," said Leigh Ann Bradley, daughter of Jan and John Bradley, who volunteered at the drive and also does public relations for the Lamia Afghan Foundation.



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# OPINION

## Share Your Voting Experiences

Readers invited to share experiences at the polls.

**N**orthern 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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## Join the Fight

To the Editor:

Cancer is the No. 1 killer of Americans under age 85. In Virginia alone, an estimated 13,990 people will die from the disease this year. As someone who works with cancer survivors and their caregivers on a daily basis, and who lost my father and too many friends to this fight, I hope we all find these numbers unacceptable. It is time to recommit our nation to the war on cancer — and that challenge begins here at home.

The American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN) will bring this fight to the 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



PHOTO BY KJ MUSHUNG

**Palin Supporter Sony Grabowski of Fairfax Station attends a rally for Republican vice-presidential candidate Gov. Sarah Palin in Fredericksburg on Monday, Oct. 27.**

[www.acscan.org/bus](http://www.acscan.org/bus) and let your voice be one of the millions heard across the country this election season in support of making cancer 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**  
Springfield

## Support Disabilities Bill

To the Editor:

Over the years since my son was diagnosed with autism in 1996, friends have asked me, "Who is his doctor?" I would respond, "Doc-

tor for what?" "For his autism," they'd say. "We don't have one" I would say. "Insurance doesn't cover any therapy for his disability."

They knew I was driving him to behavior therapy, speech therapy, occupational therapy and implementing dietary interventions. All of these things we paid for out-of-pocket for our son; therapies and interventions for a neurological disorder with developmental and behavioral impacts. No different than therapies and interventions to restore functionality after a stroke.

Today, a bill that has been introduced in the Virginia House of Delegates that would mandate coverage of treatments for autism spectrum disorders by insurance companies — HB 1588 (Formerly HB 83; <http://>

[www.autismvotes.org/site/c.frKNI3PCImE/b.4445103](http://www.autismvotes.org/site/c.frKNI3PCImE/b.4445103)). Under this legislation, children would receive services that would help their disabled child without financially ruining their family.

Early intervention is the key to progress for children with this diagnosis. Language and behaviors can be improved and children can be mainstreamed in classrooms with their peers. Insurance companies argue that it is the responsibility of the school districts to treat the symptoms of autism (this argument was made in front of the Special Advisory Commission on Mandated Health Insurance Benefits on Sept. 29, 2008). I think the education community would find it interesting that they have been tasked with treating a medical disorder in addition to educating these children.

Please let your legislator know you support HB 1588 requiring insurance coverage of therapies for this medical diagnosis. Coverage by insurance companies of these therapies would likely decrease their costs making services more accessible to families. This would allow more children to receive intensive early intervention that would ultimately down costs as the effects of this disorder are mitigated.

**Teresa Champion**  
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# SPORTS



## Friends and Football

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pound SYA American team, he had that sort of production and loved it.

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 how each other's football season has transpired.

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."

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**Robinson's Wynton Fox ran eight times for 162 yards and three touchdowns in a 49-14 win last Friday. Fairfax's Chris Regensburg, battling a fibula injury, carried only three times for 12 yards.**

### WEEK IN SPORTS

#### 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."

Leading the Rams last Thursday, senior Jared Berman finished fourth with a time

of 15 minutes, 31.48 seconds and senior Stephanie Bray took 15th place with a time of 18:30.14.

#### South County's First-Round Test

Entering last Friday's Week 10 matchup at Annandale, the South County football team had an opportunity to win its first-ever Patriot District crown. But after allowing 21 unanswered points in the second half of a 28-7 loss, the Stallions were just thankful to sneak into the Northern Region playoffs as the No. 8 seed.

"Somebody has to be the eighth seed," said South County coach Pete Bendorf, whose team will travel to top-seeded Oakton Friday night. "Certainly, we didn't want to be but we're happy to be in and happy to have the opportunity to play a good football team."

Bendorf spent 11 seasons on the sideline opposite at Oakton, leading the Cougars to a Northern Region title in 2002. South County (6-4) scrimmages Oakton at the beginning of every season, but this will be the first time Bendorf returns to Oakton in a meaningful game.

"I've tried to not give it too much thought," said Bendorf, who is the brother-in-law of Oakton coach Joe Thompson. "I don't want to go over there and play poorly, I can tell you that."

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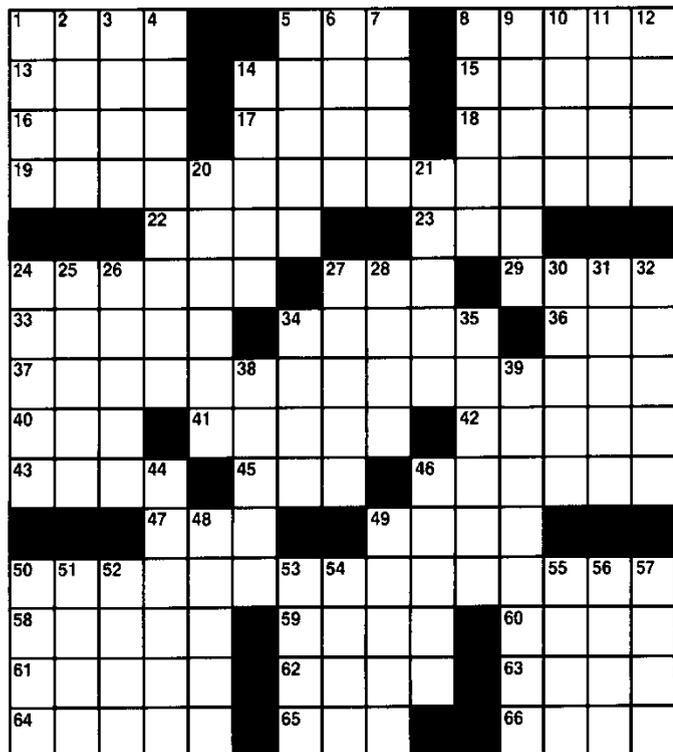
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- 5 One-time Chinese chairman
- 8 Hoopster Gilmore
- 13 A Great Lake
- 14 Zeus's wife
- 15 Stop
- 16 Dudley Do-Right's love
- 17 Apiece
- 18 Avignon's river
- 19 Quip about links lovers, part 1
- 22 Baseball bosses: Abbr.
- 23 Magazine income producers
- 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
- 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
- 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

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IN THE FAMILY COURT OF THE  
FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

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,  
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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.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that within thirty (30) days of receiving Notice, you shall respond in writing by filing, with the Court in which the adoption is pending, notice and reasons to contest, intervene, or otherwise respond;

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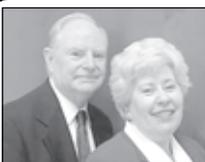
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