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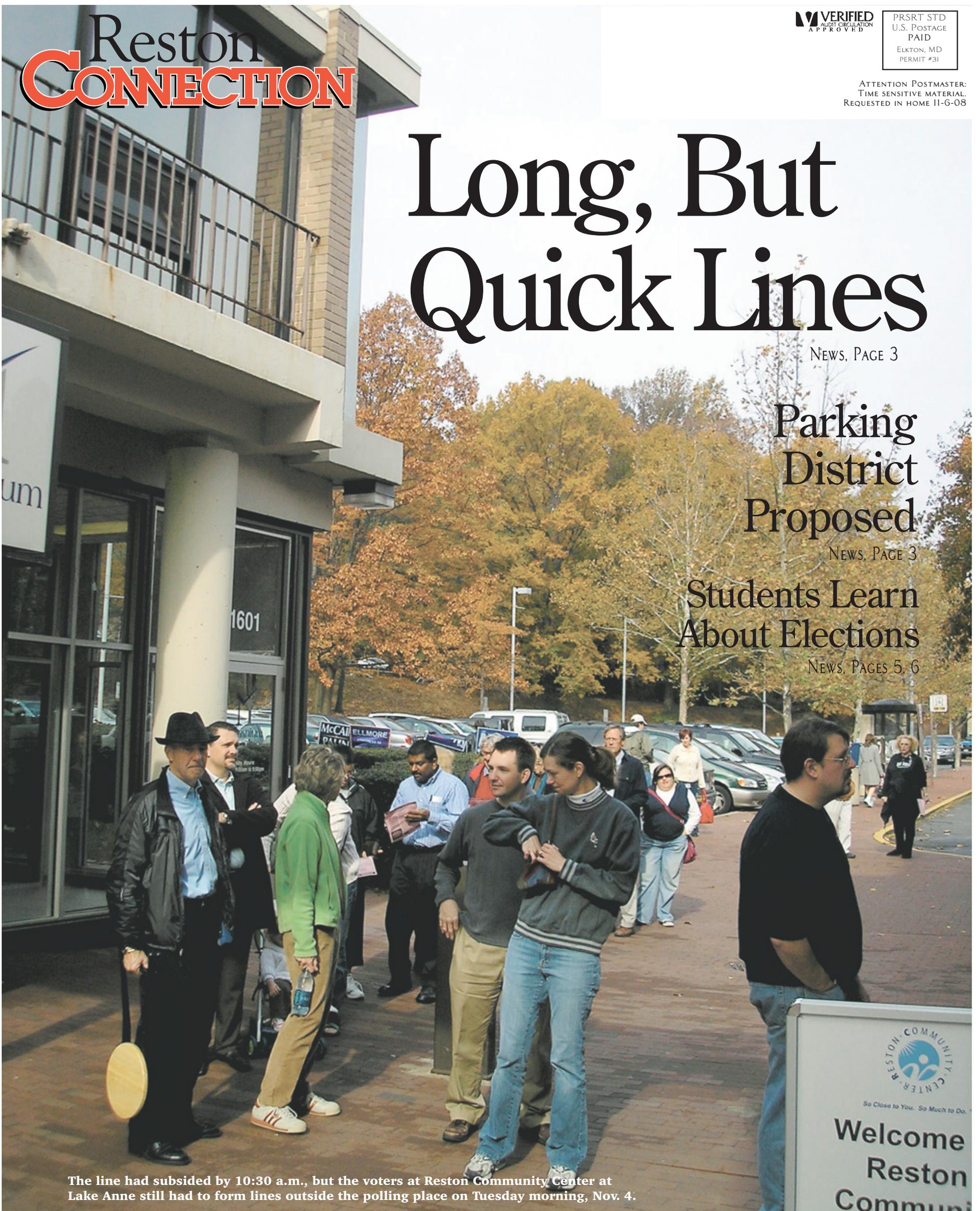
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The line had subsided by 10:30 a.m., but the voters at Reston Community Center at Lake Anne still had to form lines outside the polling place on Tuesday morning, Nov. 4.

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Long Quick Lines

Morning voters experience long lines, not long waits.

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Jeremy Migliara was sure to get his free coffee before getting into line to vote. Thinking he would need the coffee for an extended wait, he only took two sips before casting a ballot and getting on with his day.

"There was no wait," said Migliara. "I thought it would be very long."

"There were no lines, it was very efficient," said Marguerite Abrey.

"It was like five minutes, it was fine," said Sue Polzin.

All three voted at Christ the Servant Lutheran Church next to the Reston Community Center at Hunters Woods around 9:30 a.m. Polzin said her husband had voted earlier in the morning and waited an hour to cast his vote.

Fairfax County Supervisor Catherine Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill) said long and quick lines were also the case at Lake Anne Elementary School and Cameron Glenn in the morning hours. She said those lines had extended farther than she had seen before. However, she said, "The voters were through in about an hour."

"We had a big turnout earlier this morning," said Warren Ament, the chief election officer at Hunters Woods Elementary School. He said it took about an hour for the voters to get through the morning lines and that the double system of voting machines and paper ballots was working fine. "People tend to go to a touch screen because they are used to it," said Ament, adding that

those who chose the paper ballots did so when the lines were long.

"We have the first flood under control," said Linda Butler, the chief election officer at Reston Community Center at Lake Anne. She said more than 800 voters had voted before 10:30 a.m. The wait at 6 o'clock in the morning was an hour and a half. "It's pretty typical for us. Reston 3 passionately votes," she said. Butler added that many of Reston's original residents live in the precinct and that the process of casting ballots is very important to them.

REGARDLESS OF the quick moving lines at Christ the Servant Lutheran Church, chief election officer Alexander Turner said the turnout was heavy. "It's much heavier than we've ever had," said Turner. "It was a very long line this morning," he said, adding that at its peak people were waiting about one hour and 40 minutes to vote. "It's been steady," he said.

Turner said there had been no issues with the voting machines or the paper ballot scanners. He said it was unusual that the voters were choosing the machines over the paper ballots. "Things are working the way they are supposed to," said Turner. "Our goal is to get people through here quickly, but efficiently," he said. Two people were turned away from the polling place because they had not registered properly, said Turner. They had registered at the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) and thought that was all they needed to do to register to vote.

Another factor in getting people through the lines in the morning is that many had voted during the in-person absentee voting. Butler said 17 percent of the registered voters in the precinct had voted absentee.

"Absentee ballot was huge," said Ament. Of the 2,800 registered voters in the pre-



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Volunteers for both parties approach voters at Hunters Woods Elementary School on Tuesday morning, Nov. 4.

inct, he said 660 voted absentee.

WHILE MIGLIARA had an easy voting experience, the decision which presidential candidate to support proved tougher for the Reston resident. "I was undecided until today," said Migliara. "Literally, this morning I made my decision," he said. "I personally believe either candidate could bring it," said Migliara. "I see change in both candidates," he said, adding that he does not think the Republican ticket this year would bring the same policies as the administration of the last eight years.

Migliara said he was split on the issues, thinking that Sen. Barack Obama's (D-Ill.) healthcare plan was better than Sen. John McCain's (R-Ariz.), but that McCain's stance on foreign relations and fiscal issues was better. In the end Migliara voted for McCain, citing his experience as the deciding factor in his vote.

Abrey, on the other hand, supported Obama. "I agree with his ideas," said Abrey, a history teacher. While she hopes Obama wins, Abrey said McCain would be an im-

provement over the last eight years, but added, "Anything is better than George Bush."

"I'm definitely for Obama," said Polzin. She said the negativity in McCain campaign's television advertisements stamped her support for Obama, whom she sees as "super intelligent." Polzin added that Obama is the better candidate to handle the nation's economic woes and the candidate who could end the war in Iraq.

Also, said Polzin, "When he speaks, he is just positive."



Jeremy Migliara of Reston voted for John McCain, citing the Arizona senator's experience as the deciding factor.



Sue Polzin supported Barack Obama when she voted at Christ the Servant Lutheran Church by Reston Community Center at Hunters Woods on Tuesday morning.

12,000 Pound Problem

Trucks parked on Reston roads stir residents, cause county to consider parking district.

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Chances of passing a parked large truck on stretches of Soapstone Drive are not small. Residents in the area have raised concerns about what impact those trucks and other vehicles have on their livelihoods.

"At a time when families are so hard hit, the last thing we need is something having this sort of an impact," said Sloan Wiesen, an area resident and Realtor. He said the problem has contributed to declining home values and has driven some buyers away from properties near Soapstone Drive.

"I think it does lower property values and has an impact on increase in crime," said Roger Lowen, a resident of a nearby street. He said he is particularly concerned with parked boats and box trucks with graffiti on the side.

"This is a complete embarrassment," said Todd Harbour, a resident on Soapstone Drive. "This is like a creeping obesity," he said of the problem. Harbour added that the neighbors are experiencing vandalism and illegal activity in the area. "We have robberies, two last week," said Harbour, commenting on the two robberies of a 7-Eleven store on Soapstone Drive.

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PHOTO BY JILL NORVELL

Presidential Pumpkins

Jill Norvell of Cabots Point Lane in Reston carved these pumpkins herself on Wednesday, Oct. 29.

Man Missing

Police are seeking the public's assistance in locating a William Eustace, 70, considered endangered due to medical concerns. He was last seen at his home in the 1600 block of Waters Edge Lane in Reston around 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 25. Eustace left the residence on foot without his medications. He is about 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighing about 165 pounds. He has white hair and blue eyes. He was wearing a brown leather jacket, a T-shirt and blue jeans.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Crime Solvers by phone at 1-866-411-TIPS/8477, e-mail at www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org or text "TIP187" plus the message to CRIMES/274637 or call Fairfax County Police at 703-691-2131.

Arrests Made in Reston Robbery

Luke Steffan, 26, of the 2200 block of Springwood Drive in Reston and Daniel Jenkins, 22, of the 2000 block of Winged Foot Court in Reston, were arrested on Monday, Oct. 27, around 7:38 a.m. for the robbery at a 7-Eleven store on Soapstone Drive earlier that day at 2:45 a.m. Both were transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and charged with robbery and use of a firearm in the commission of a felony. They were also charged with a robbery that occurred on Sunday, Oct. 19, at the same 7-Eleven store.

Meeting for Russian Delegation

The Reston-Herndon Branch of the American Association of University Women will host a delegation of five Russians, economists and government officials, from Oct. 31 to Nov. 8 to observe the U.S. elections and learn about government at the community level. The visit is made possible through a grant from the Open World Leadership Center at the Library of Congress, established in 1999 to enhance understanding and cooperation between the two countries. While in the area, the delegation will visit South Lakes High School, meet with community leaders and elected officials, speak to the Reston Rotary Club, appear on a local television program and observe political campaigns and polls on Election Day. The public is invited to meet the group at a town hall meeting at the Reston Community Center at Lake Anne on Wednesday, Nov. 5. For more information contact Marilyn Silvey of AAUW at 703-860-5141.

Newcomers Night

Reston Association is hosting Newcomers Night on Thursday night, Nov. 6, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Main Conference Room at 1930 Isaac Newton Square. People who are new, and those who are not, are invited to learn about Reston Association, its services, amenities and programs and meet RA staff and Board members and find out about volunteer opportunities. Light refreshments will be served and door prizes awarded. RSVP to Ha Brock, RA Volunteer Coordinator, at 703-435-7986 or habrock@reston.org.

Ice Skating Opening

Reston Town Center will celebrate the Grand Opening of the 2008-2009 season of the Ice Skating Pavilion on Thursday, Nov. 6, at 7 p.m., presenting an exhibition by champion skater Tommy Steenberg. His exhibition will be followed by skating routines by national and world competitive skaters from Fredericksburg Ice Park and Fairfax Ice until 8 p.m. Free public skating until 10 p.m. will follow the exhibitions. A ribbon cutting for the new rink will take place at 4 p.m., with a private party following until 6 p.m. on the rink. The Ice Skating Pavilion season officially begins on Saturday, Nov. 1, and the rink will remain open daily until March. Character Counts! Reston will benefit from 50 percent of opening week proceeds from the pavilion.

Scouts Collect for Food Banks

Local Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts will be in neighborhoods on

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Staff from Salon Chakra have a little fun with presidential politics for Halloween. From left they are: Alyssa Alter as Cindy McCain, Shahnaz Jadidi as Sarah Palin and Heidi Powell as Hillary Clinton.

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Presidential Fun at Chakra

With only a few days separating Halloween from the presidential election, the staff at Lake Anne Village Center's Salon Chakra decided to make the best of both events in one day. On Thursday, Oct. 30, they dressed as some of the front women of the 2008 presidential campaign.

"We're not open tomorrow, so we thought we'd have a little fun today," said Shahnaz Jadidi, dressed up as Republican vice presidential nominee Sarah Palin. She wore a suit with a price tag hanging from a button that read: "Neiman Marcus, \$35,000."

"It was the scariest thing I could think to dress up as," said Alyssa Alter, joking about her Cindy McCain look.

Heidi Powell, dressed up as Sen. Hillary Clinton, sported a sticker on her suit that read: "I VOTED, for me."

"I thought it was hysterical," said Linda Wood, a customer on that Thursday afternoon. "We need a little bit of humor," she said. "We need a break. It's been a long and drawn out campaign."

— MIRZA KURSPAHIĆ

County Proposes Parking District

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As part of a solution to the problem of trucks, boats, motor homes and other vehicles parking along state-maintained roads, Fairfax County is considering implementing a Large Area Community Parking District (CPD) in Reston. The parking district would prohibit some, not all, of the vehicles that park on roads such as Soapstone from doing so. It would outlaw watercraft, motor homes, camper trailers and vehicles over 12,000 pounds from parking in the district, which would approximately match the tax district that supports the Reston Community Center. A community meeting on the issue was held at Langston Hughes Middle School on Thursday night, Oct. 30.

"Many parts of Reston are calling in" about problems similar to those on Soapstone Drive, said Merrily Pierce, a transportation liaison in Supervisor Catherine Hudgins' (D-Hunter Mill) office. She said a significant concern in Reston is the parking of recreational vehicles on the sides of roads. Creating a CPD for Reston would at least start solving the problem, removing boats and vehicles that weigh over 12,000 pounds from the sides of the community's roads, said Pierce.

"It will reduce it [the problem], not a tremendous amount," said Bob Otten, a parking enforcement supervisor with Fairfax County Police. "It will move a lot" of those vehicles out of Reston, "but it won't move everything," said Otten, if the CPD is implemented for Reston.

"It [a CPD] is not really going to affect what I and my neighbors have been complaining about for years," said Harbour. "CPD is not a solution to the problem we are raising," he said. In addition, Harbour criticized Hudgins. "I, for one, don't think she has listened to us at all."

"It's one more tool to address an issue of concern,"

On the Web

See map of the proposed Reston Community Parking District at www.connectionnewspapers.com.

said Pierce. "It's certainly not a panacea."

Fairfax County has already instituted a Large Area CPD in Mount Vernon, a solution Otten considers successful for that area. He said the police have removed more than 200 vehicles from the sides of the roads in Mount Vernon. "As far as I know we didn't ticket anybody twice," he said.

"THIS PROBLEM can be solved with a parking sign, moving a guard rail and planting more trees," said Wiesen, who recommended that the guardrail on Soapstone Drive be moved closer to the road to prohibit space for trucks to park. A simple reconfiguration would not only take away that space, but would minimize the time the police officers are spending patrolling the area, said Wiesen.

However, as easy as Wiesen's solution sounds, a bureaucratic hurdle stands in the way. "The roads are owned by VDOT," said Maria Turner, a Fairfax County transportation planner. "Any sign posted on the road has to come from VDOT," said Otten. With the Virginia Department of Transportation facing a budget crunch during a time when funding for major transportation projects is in question, some residents at the meeting raised doubt that the state would act on any requests regarding the issues with large vehicles parking on sides of roads.

The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors is expected to approve a public hearing on instituting a Large Area CPD for Dec. 8. Otten said if the supervisors approve the measure, he envisions beginning enforcement in mid-January. For more information on Large Area CPDs, visit http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fcdot/large_cpd.htm.

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And the Winner Is ...

Sixth graders worked as election officials during Terraset Elementary School's presidential vote. Sixth grader Son gives first grader Marlin her "I Voted!" sticker after she cast her vote for president.



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Sixth grader Todd checks kindergarten voter Mabinty in as Tara looks over her shoulder. Terraset Elementary School's voting results were: 81 percent Democratic Party/Obama; 19 percent Republican Party/McCain.

BULLETIN BOARD

To have community events listed in the Connection, send to reston@connectionnewspapers.com or call 703-917-6449 with questions.

Deadline is Friday.

THURSDAY/NOV. 6

RA Newcomers Night. Meeting 7 p.m. at the RA main office, 1930 Isaac Newton Square, Reston.

SATURDAY/NOV. 8

Fare Increase Meeting. A meeting on the Fairfax County Department of Transportation's proposal to increase bus fares and the elimination of paper transfers for the Connector Bus service will be held at the North County Governmental Center, 12000

Bowman Towne Drive, Reston, at 10 a.m.

NOV. 11

An Education Programs

Information Session. To be held at 6:30 a.m. at Marymount's Reston Center located at 1861 Wiehle Ave., Reston. To reserve a space, call 703-284-5902 or on-line <http://www.marymount.edu/infosession>

NOV. 12

Business Programs Information

Session. To be held at 6:30 p.m. at Marymount's Reston Center located at 1861 Wiehle Ave., Reston. To register for the event, call 703-284-5902 or visit www.marymount.edu/

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Mother's First. Mothers First, a nonprofit support organization for women who have chosen to raise their children at home. Meetings are first and second Wednesdays at 10 a.m. at the Herndon Fortnightly Library, 768 Center St., Herndon. Contact 703-827-5922 or www.mothersfirst.org.

LWV Meeting. The League of Women Votes of the Fairfax Area is holding its November meeting at the Sully District Government Center, 4900 Stonecroft Blvd., Centreville, at 12 p.m. and Reston Museum, 1639 Washington Plaza, Reston. The topic is the restoration of civil rights of felons in Virginia. Call 703-658-9150 and 703-757-5893, respectively.

OBITUARIES

Hilda Burkhart Kreps Hiester

Hilda Burkhart Kreps Hiester died at Howard County General Hospital on Sept. 21, 2008 of complications of metastatic breast cancer.

She had been a resident at Harmony Hall Assisted Living in Columbia, Md. for the past year. She leaves a daughter, Sylvia Lacy-Crow and her husband Arthur of Boyce, Va. and a son, Dennis Kreps and his wife Sharon of Columbia, Md. She is also survived by two granddaughters, Marda Lacy of Centreville and Amelia Wile of Lutherville, Md., a grandson, Andrew Kreps of Portland, Oregon and a great-granddaughter Dakota David of Lutherville, Md., two step-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her first husband, Conrad Kreps, who died in November 1975 and her second husband, William Hiester, who died in May 2008. She was born in Harmony, Pa. in 1922 and was the last survivor of seven sisters and one brother. She moved to



Hilda Burkhart Kreps Hiester

Washington D.C. and met her first husband, an Air Force career officer at Grace Reformed Church in Washington D.C. She served as an Air Force wife in Idaho, Ohio, Virginia, Libya, Africa, and Vienna, Austria. Hilda and Conrad Kreps retired to Rockledge, Fla. She moved to Reston in 1986 as a widow. She was an active volunteer at the United Christian Parish.

In 1994 she married Bill Hiester, a family friend and widower and moved with him to Sunrise, Fla. until 2006 when they relocated back to Virginia and then Maryland.

She will be remembered as a loving mother and second mother to her granddaughters when needed, and a "housemother" in Vienna to several young women who boarded in the Kreps' home

while attending school and to the Marines who guarded the embassy. Her family will remember her good sense of humor, such as when she made mock apple pie out of Ritz crackers with chocolate mashed potatoes for April Fool's Day. Services will be held at the chapel at Arlington National Cemetery at 3 o'clock on Monday, Nov. 17. She will be buried with Conrad Kreps.

Larry Johnson

Larry Johnson, 60, of Reston, formerly of Loudoun County, died Nov. 1, 2008. Born May 3, 1948 to Welby Taylor Johnson and Helen Hills Johnson. He is survived by his wife, Leah B. Johnson; a daughter, Sherrese Johnson of Leesburg; his father, Welby T. Johnson of Neersville, Va.; six sisters, three brothers and a host of other relatives and friends.

Wake will be Friday, Nov. 7, 11 a.m. till noon at Community Church Ashburn, Va., followed by a funeral service at noon.

Funeral arrangements are by Lyles Funeral Service of Purcellville, Va.

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Saturday, Nov. 8, as part of Boy Scouts for America's (BSA) annual Scouting for Food Good Turn Initiative. They will be collecting food donations for local food pantries. The National Capital Area Council of the BSA provides more than 850,000 pounds of food annually to shelters, needy families and the elderly.

Through a combined effort of the Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Varsity Scouts, Venturers and Sea Scouts, more than 1 million Scouting for Food collection bags have been distributed in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area. The bags will be collected on Nov. 8. Residents are asked to leave the filled bag near their door before 9 a.m. and a Scout will pick it up and take it to the local collection areas.

Organizations that will benefit from this year's campaign include Reston Itefaith and LINK-Herndon.

Hinds Feet 10th Anniversary

Hinds Feet Ministries, a nonprofit founded by Trypetus Cooper Padmore, a Reston woman, to serve children left behind in her native war-torn Liberia, will celebrate its 10th anniversary on Saturday, Nov. 8. The celebration will take place at the Church at Northern Virginia, 10922 Vale Road, Oakton, starting at 6 p.m.

Hinds Feet now serves hundreds of children in Liberia, has opened a school and is working toward completing a Children's Village to provide a place for them to "learn, live and play."

Old Trail Beautification

Volunteers are needed for a community service project to beautify the central natural area of Old Trail Court on Saturday morning, Nov. 8, starting at 10 a.m. Volunteers will remove invasive exotic species to clear the area for the planting of flowering native plants. For more information contact Ha Brock, Reston Association Volunteer Coordinator, at 703-435-7986.

Free Meal for Area Veterans

Veterans will receive a free lunch or dinner entrée at McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurants and M&S Grill restaurants Sunday, Nov. 9 in tribute to Veterans Day. Veterans should show proper identification (VA card, VFW card, veterans ID, discharge papers, etc.) Reservations strongly encouraged. Participating McCormick & Schmick's Seafood, M&S Grill Restaurants in the area include: McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurants in Reston Town Center, 703-481-6600, opens at 11:30 a.m.; 8484 Westpark Drive, McLean/Tysons, 703-848-8000, opens at 5 p.m., as well as M&S Grill Restaurant at Reston Town Center, 703-787-7766, opens at 11:30 a.m.

For more information visit www.McCormickandSchmicks.com

Veterans Day Observance

The American Legion, Wayne M. Kidwell, Post 184, in cooperation with the Town of Herndon, will be holding their Annual Veterans Day Observance at the Veterans Memorial located on the Herndon Town Green on Tuesday, Nov. 11 at 11 a.m. Former Herndon Mayor Richard Thoese will be the guest speaker. Herndon High School Junior Naval ROTC will form the color guard and present the Colors of the ceremony. All are invited to attend. The Avenue of Flags will be displayed from dawn to dusk at the Chestnut Grove Cemetery. For more information, call the Post Commander David Kirby at 703-481-6189.

FISH Holiday Food, Gift Boxes

Herndon-Reston FISH, Inc., is asking the community for non-perishable food donations for the Thanksgiving and December food boxes. The goal is to provide food for 650 people, about 200 families, for each of the two months. Donations are also needed to buy a \$10 grocery store gift certificate for each box.

To donate food and gifts, request food pickup or volunteer, contact Holiday Coordinator Robyn Kampf at 571-926-8019 or rhkampf@gmail.com. Tax-deductible donations can be made to Herndon-Reston FISH, Inc., 336 Victory Drive, Herndon, VA 20170. Indicate the check is for the holiday baskets.

NEWS

That Full Voting Experience

Voter registration cards, electronic voting in Armstrong's mock election.

BY MIRZA KURSPAHIC
THE CONNECTION

Like much of the nation, Armstrong Elementary School spent the last week of October submerged in national politics. The presidential contest between Senators Barack Obama (D-Ill.) and John McCain (R-Ariz.) have energized the student body, the oldest of which will not be voting in a real election for another five or six years.

"This election will impact them [the students] as much as it will impact us," said Shane Wolfe, Armstrong principal. He said he often hears students in the hallways talk about the presidential candidates.

"They get pretty animated in their conversations," said Donna Bishop, a sixth grade teacher and a Student Council Association (SCA) sponsor.

The students displayed their enthusiasm for the election when they held a schoolwide election on Thursday, Oct. 30. They cast votes on who would be the next president, as well as who would represent Virginia in the U.S. Senate. They voted on six computers, which simulated the electronic machines used in Virginia through the Nov. 4 election. They had to register to vote, eligibility requirement was that they are Armstrong students, but they still had to fill out a voter registration card. If they forgot to bring the card to the polls, their name was checked against a registered voter list. After they voted, a poll worker handed them a "I VOTED" sticker.

Wolfe said educators get excited about moments when lessons can be brought to life. "This is one of those teachable moments," he said. "We needed to make this as real as we possibly can."

IN CHARGE OF making the election seem real, with the guidance of Bishop, was Briana Curran, SCA president. "We as a school really wanted to do this," said Briana. "It's a historic election and we wanted to see if we predicted the right president or if we didn't." She echoed Wolfe's belief that the election has a bearing on the students' future. For example, she said, the future developments in the Iraq War depend on which candidate wins the presidency. "That has an impact on us," said Briana.

Real Estate Broker Sentenced for Fraud

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



PHOTO BY MIRZA KURSPAHIC/THE CONNECTION

Maggie Williams checks for Nick Dunie's name on the registered voters list during Armstrong Elementary's mock election.

Armstrong Election Results

Candidate	Votes	Percentage
Barack Obama	288	67.61
John McCain	130	30.52
Mark Warner	178	52.93
Jim Gilmore	101	30.06

"I think it's pretty cool," said Lindsey Hill, a fifth grader. "This is the first time we have done anything like this, and I have been here since kindergarten," she said. "I think it's really important to be involved and informed. It's pretty cool to be involved in politics," said Lindsey.

During the week leading up to the Armstrong election, teachers distributed biographical information on the candidates and facilitated the voter registration process. Wolfe said a military veteran also visited the school to talk to the students about patriotism and the importance of voting.

Bishop said the mock election is an important exercise for the students and would serve them after the Nov. 4 election. "Especially for the upper grades," said Bishop. "It's really important for them to go through this. This gives them the experience."

Bishop said she was proud of the SCA officers for organizing and executing the mock election as well as they did. She said they planned the shifts — which classes would vote at which time — decorated the polling place and ran the registration lists. "This happened because of the leadership of the children," said Bishop.

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

CRIME

Activities reported by the Reston district of the Fairfax County Police Department through Oct. 29.

STOLEN AUTO/ARREST

12200 block of Laurel Glade Court. Around 9:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 29, a police officer initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle with defective equipment driving near the intersection of Wiehle Avenue and Sunrise Valley Drive. An investigation led to the arrest of four teenage boys from Reston for allegedly stealing a vehicle. Apparently, about 30 minutes earlier, two of the boys, 14 and 15, were walking nearby and were chased by some acquaintances. The boys ran and hid inside a 1998 Chevrolet 2500 van that was parked close by. They discovered that the keys were in the ignition and drove the van away. They picked up two of their friends, both 14, and were stopped by the police moments later. All four boys were released to their parents. Petitions for auto theft will be obtained for the 14 and 15-year-old who allegedly took the van. The 14-year-old was also charged with driving without an operator's license.

LARCENIES

13300 block of Apgar Place. Package stolen from residence.
2400 block of Centreville Road. Backpack stolen from vehicle.
2500 block of Centreville Road. Bicycle stolen from business.
12100 block of Chancery Station Circle. Bicycle stolen from residence.
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 7 p.m. Life with Connie
 7:30 p.m. Eyes on Reston – Asian Festival
 8 p.m. Toastmasters
 8:30 p.m. Swingtime
 9 p.m. Yoga with Cynthia
 9:30 p.m. Business Focus
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FRIDAY/NOV. 7

11:30 a.m. Real Estate Showcase
 4:30 p.m. Real Estate Showcase
 7 p.m. Just Another Sports Show
 8 p.m. Reston Community Center Board of Directors Meeting

SATURDAY/NOV. 8

8:30 a.m. Arts Council
 9 a.m. Yoga
 9:30 a.m. Body Quest Pilates
 10 a.m. Defend Yourself
 10:30 a.m. Strength Advantage
 11 a.m. Guitar Instruction
 11:30 a.m. Just Another Sports Show
 4:30 p.m. Real Estate Showcase
 6 p.m. The Community of All People
 6:30 p.m. Arnette Report
 7 p.m. Toastmasters
 7:30 p.m. Guitar Instruction
 8 p.m. Dogs Best Friend
 9:30 p.m. Eyes on Reston – Asian Festival

SUNDAY/NOV. 9

9 a.m. A New Living Way
 9:30 a.m. Body Quest Pilates
 10 a.m. Strength Advantage
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OPINION

Share Your Voting Experiences

The Connection heads to press on Election Day before the polls close; see www.ConnectionNewspapers.com.

Northern Virginia polling places were still jammed with voters when the Connection you're reading went to press on Tuesday, Nov. 4. Election results and more stories about residents' experiences on Election Day will appear 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 vot-

ing 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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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Solve Traffic Problems

To the Editor:

At an Oct. 30 meeting organized by Tytran, Tysons Tomorrow, Dulles Corridor Rail Association and others, in a series entitled: "Building a 21st Century Mainstreet," Clark Tyler, chairman of the Tysons Land Use Task Force, aided by Fairfax Board of Supervisors Chairman Gerald Connolly,

presented their views on the benefits of a utopian carbon neutral "green" city in which, by 2030, residents and workers will be able to walk and bike in mixed use neighborhoods within a newly created street grid served by "circulator" buses.

No facts and figures were provided by the chairmen about future traffic volumes for the 80 percent of Tysons workers who are projected to continue using automobiles. No potential cost of this

Tysons "vision" was offered, no details of its implementation timeframe or who will pay for the circulator buses and other infrastructure costs. Chairman Connolly criticized county staff for their reluctance to accept property densities proposed in the vision plan which he initiated and approved. Instead without addressing traffic or other problems associated with the plan, Connolly urged adoption of plan text by Spring 2009. Chairman Tyler denied that the plan allows development of 200 million square feet or more and instead insisted that a George Mason University study indicates no more than 135 million square feet can be built in Tysons.

During the presentation, it was announced that the first "text draft committee" meeting was being held the same day. No public announcement of its location or purpose was offered. Keith Turner of West*Group, in response to my questions, mentioned that transportation studies to assess impacts associated with the adopted vision plan are under way but the audience was told nothing of the status of the financial/fiscal impact study that Fairfax supervisors mandated in September.

Chairman Tyler several times mentioned attending a recent "railvolution" conference in San Francisco. A different type of revolution may occur if the Tysons "vision" plan is approved in its present form and Dulles Rail is built. Landowners in Tysons stand to reap a windfall land value appreciation pretax profit of \$5 billion or more during the next de-

cade. Meanwhile, "taxes" from the Dulles Toll Road, paid by those who live and work in the Dulles Corridor, are likely to exceed \$3 billion in the years ahead if both phases of Dulles Rail are built.

At the Sept. 22, Board Meeting to approve the Tysons plan, Chairman Connolly made no mention that his present private employer — SAIC — stands to gain an estimated \$250 million in land value for its 18.2 acre property near Route 7 when Dulles Rail Phase 1 opens, assuming that current vision plan property densities are adopted in the final plan text

Chairman Connolly did not refuse himself from voting in September and by the time readers see this article, Connolly may be headed to the next tax and spend dominion on Capitol Hill.

Despite the denials of Chairman Tyler about the permitted zoned density proposed, after conclusion of the meeting, a Fairfax County planning commissioner came up to me and said simply: "You were absolutely right." The public interest in Northern Virginia demands that we are represented by politicians and planners with sound moral character who understand engineering issues and economic principles of cost effectiveness. We need leaders who will offer solutions to our traffic problems rather than help line the pockets of already very wealthy Tysons landowners.

Rob Whitfield
Reston

The writer has worked in real estate in Virginia for over 30 years.



Pre-Homecoming

South Lakes High School freshmen gather at a pre-homecoming event held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John and Hoori Kruszewski in Oak Hill. The students are: Rebecca Chab, Christina Hoffman, Ella Fertitta, Sara Dalsheim, Ariana Kruszewski, Elise Cross, Brad Cohen, Sam Liddle, Sam Campbell, Romin Zandi, Najee Lewis, Lucian Fox and Mitch Dempster.

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OPINION

Bumper Stickers And More

BY JACK KENNY
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On this publishing date, the election will be over. Now the challenge to clean up the landscape is upon us. The many yard signs, some tucked way up on a hill, as well as those in your front yards and on the roads right-of-way need to be removed. State law gives the campaigns 30 days to remove them. However, there is no reason, given the alacrity with which they appeared that they should not be relegated to the trash by the weekend. Most of the yard signs have a frame of 7/32 inch stiff steel wire: dangerous to the highway mowers. Let's make sure that the wires are cleaned up also.

Alas, the landscape still has bumper stickers gracing our vehicles — O'Bama, NObama, the little "W's" with the red circle and slash across them, and the McCain — Palin white and blue oval stickers. While quite unscientific, the quantity on vehicles may indicate the outcome of the election: something to ponder during windshield time. The advertising people figure in numbers of impressions. That is, how many times are they viewed ... let us say your vehicle's bumper sticker will be seen by 40,000 cars in a month: name recognition. Some even have messages that require a little more attention and deliver some inane witticism or profound commentary.

However, getting them off often remains a challenge. Some put them on the windows where they can be scrapped off fairly easily. Some will not be bothered and leave them on as a reminder to the winner. Some of the more committed put them on the actual bumper or the trunk. Some have been on for four or more months where the sun has had a chance to really bake them on. More recent adhesive technology will allow some to be pulled off regardless of the weather.

One of the better ways to remove those resistant stickers is to heat the area up with a hair blower dryer. When it gets warm, it peels right off. Sometimes, an adhesive frame residue will persist. A visit to the local auto parts store for some "Brakeclean" will give you

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THURSDAY/NOV. 6

Ice Skating. The Ice Skating Pavilion at Reston Town Center has its grand opening at 7 p.m., with an exhibition by champion skater Tommy Steenberg. His performances will be followed by skating routines by national and world competitive skaters from Fredericksburg Ice Park and Fairfax Ice, until 8 p.m. The exhibition will be followed by free public skating until 10 p.m.

The Fourth Way. An introduction to the ideas and teachings of G.I. Gurdjieff, also known as "The Fourth Way" will be held at the Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston, 7:30-9 p.m. Free; call 703-581-2498 or e-mail restongroup@gmail.com.

SATURDAY/NOV. 8

Fall Color in the Glade. Go on a walk that goes along Snakeden Branch to Lake Audubon to enjoy the last of the fall color. Meet at the Glade Pool, 11550 Glade Drive, Reston, at 1:30 p.m.

Salute to the King. The 8th annual Elvis Tribute Dinner Show will be held

at the Dulles Hilton Hotel, 13869 Park Center Road, Herndon. Dinner at 7 p.m., show at 8 p.m. Tickets: \$55; call 1-800-318-8326.

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Colonial Day. Discover life along Cain's Branch before Richard Bland Lee made this land his country seat in 1794 at the Sully Historic Site, 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly, from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Hear Revolutionary War stories and help with the labor. \$7/ adults, \$5/children.

Bluegrass Concert. Mill Run is playing at the Weekend Bluegrass Concert Series at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1090 Sterling Road, Herndon. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., show at 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$12; call 703-435-8377.

Craft Show. The First Baptist Church of Herndon, 681 Elden St., Herndon, is holding its annual Tea Room and Craft Show 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Purchase tea plates and beverages and crafts from local artists. Free admission.

Cheer Competition. The 2008 Olympia Cheer and Dance Competition will be held at South Lakes High School, 11400 South Lakes Drive, Reston, at 10 a.m. The all-day festival will award trophies to

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SUNDAY/NOV. 9

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THURSDAY/NOV. 13

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THURSDAY/NOV. 20

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THEATER



Opening Night on Saturday

The cast of "Forbidden Broadway" includes, from left, Sharon Grant, Ron Sweeney, Jolene Vettese, Joshua Redford, Adrian Cabbage and Courtney Basich. The Reston Community Players opens its 42nd season with the musical on Saturday, Nov. 8 at CenterStage at the Reston Community Center. See www.restonplayers.org.

"Secrets of a Soccer Mom," Elden Street Players at the Industrial Strength Theatre, 8 p.m., Friday, **Nov. 7**; 8 p.m., Saturday, **Nov. 8**; 7 p.m., Sunday, **Nov. 9**; 8 p.m., Thursday, **Nov. 13**; 8 p.m., Friday, **Nov. 14**; 8 p.m., Saturday, **Nov. 15**. See eldenstreetplayers.org.

"The Fisherman and His Wife," Theater for Young Audiences, Elden Street Players at the Industrial Strength Theatre, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., Saturday, **Nov. 8**; 2 p.m., Sunday, **Nov. 9**; 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., Saturday, **Nov. 15**; 2 p.m.,

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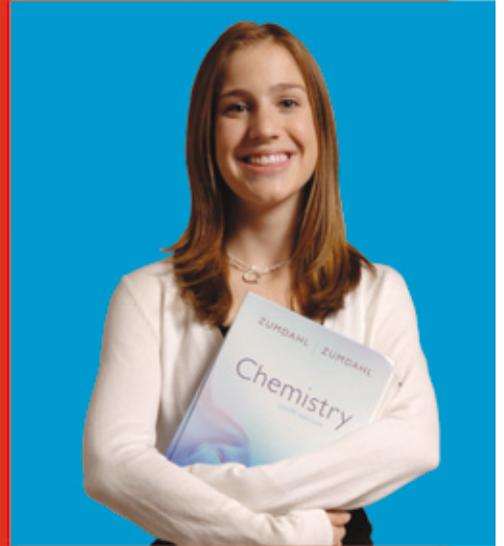
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OPINION

Another Bloodless Revolution

BY KENNETH R. "KEN" PLUM
STATE DELEGATE (D-36)

This column is being written before the outcome of the Presidential election is decided. Going into the weekend before Election Day there is great anticipation and expectation for an historic outcome. When told in a call to my office that the lines at the polling places were likely to be long, an 82-year-old constituent said, "Isn't that wonderful!" Americans have been yearning for a change.

Clearly there has been in Virginia and in this country another bloodless revolution as Thomas Jefferson termed the shifts in power after elections. Just as his hard-fought, highly-negative and contested election in 1800 had brought about major changes of direction in the executive branch of government, Jefferson and the other Founding Fathers recognized that the form of government they had put into place permitted the people to change their government without resorting to violence or bloodshed.

Just as we do not go to the streets to resolve our political differences, we do not withhold our support from the winners. Now as great as any time in our history the victors need our thoughts, prayers,

and support. Our economy is in shambles. We are at war. Our rights as citizens have been infringed upon. Our image abroad is at an all-time low. Major institutions have faltered.

We have new leadership. We need bipartisanship. I believe that most people recognize that sacrifices will be necessary before the economy recovers. The American people have tremendous endurance, strength, and resolve. Within the challenges we face we have potential and opportunity. A great economic stimulus would be investments in rebuilding our crumbling infrastructure. A reversal of our current taxing policies would put more money in the hands of the middle class to spend. We can strengthen and stabilize our financial institutions while putting necessary safeguards into place. We can regain our place in the world with a more enlightened foreign policy.

All the persons who took part in the historic election campaigns this cycle are to be congratulated. Take some time off for the holiday season, but remember that there is an election every year in Virginia. Already the campaigning for governor, lieutenant governor, and attorney general has begun. Also elected next year will be all 100 members of the House of Delegates. Will Mr. Jefferson's Virginia see another bloodless revolution next year?

After the Election, Then What?

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Jim Wagner of South Lakes High School was one of 50 educators selected to attend the National Gallery of Art's 2008 Teacher Institute on 17th-century Dutch art. The two six-day seminars in July and August brought together teachers of art, social studies, and related subjects from 22 states. Focusing on the Gallery's collection of 17th-century Dutch art, they explored ways, including image-enhanced podcasting, to integrate art objects into the classroom.

Sarah Stanley of South Lakes High School was selected for the **2008 Virginia Honors Choir**. Stanley and 57 other Fairfax county students will perform as part of a 132-member choir at the Virginia Music Educators Association convention on Saturday, Nov. 22 at the Homestead.

Tenley Satre of Reston, a sophomore majoring in marketing management and finance, was chosen to be a student ambassador for the Pamplin College of Business at Virginia Tech. The Pamplin Ambassadors program is an organization composed of students who best represent the college.

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Oakton Football Completes Perfect Regular Season

Both the Cougars and Herndon are gearing for the playoffs.

BY RICH SANDERS
THE CONNECTION

The Oakton Cougars completed the regular season with a perfect 10-0 record following last Friday night's 38-13 Concorde District football win over visiting Herndon.

Next up for coach Joe Thompson's team is the postseason where Oakton will host South County in a first round game of the eight-team, Northern Region Div. 6 playoffs. The Cougars are the No. 1-seed of the playoffs, while South County is a No. 8-seed.

Herndon (6-4), meanwhile, will travel to Westfield for a first round playoff contest.

Oakton took control of Herndon right from the start, grabbing a 14-0 lead after one quarter and surging ahead by a 24-0 score at the half. Senior running back Trey Watts scored two first half touchdowns, and senior back Jonathan Meadows also ran for a score. The Cougars got a first half field goal (22 yards) from Derek Gleich.

In the second half, Oakton got touchdowns from receiver Jay Young, who caught a 15-yard pass from quarterback Chris Coyer (9-of-12, 121 yards), and a 12-yard scoring run from Meadows.

Herndon scored all its points in the fourth quarter, the first coming on a 70-yard scoring run by Zach Leach and the second on a



Herndon running back Sam Groter scored a touchdown against Oakton last week.

one-yard run by Sam Groter.

HERNDON is making its first playoff appearance since 2003. But coach Joe Sheaffer said his team must play better than it has in recent weeks if it is to have a chance of beating Westfield this Friday night. Since defeating Westfield in a dramatic overtime affair at Herndon's homecoming on Oct. 17, the Hornets have lost lopsided affairs to both Robinson and now Oakton.

"That's my biggest concern," said Sheaffer, Herndon's second-year head

coach. "After we won that game a few weeks ago, for some reason we've had no consistency in practice. It's almost like [the homecoming win over Westfield] was our defining moment. My thing is to get the kids some confidence back and to have a real good week of practice. We've been very inconsistent in practice and it's very frustrating. Last year at this time we were getting better and better."

The 2007 Herndon squad, indeed, was playing its best football at season's end after a tough 1-4 start to the fall. The Hor-

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— Herndon High Football Coach Joe Sheaffer

nets won four of their last five games and barely missed a playoff berth. This season, the team is struggling but has gotten into the postseason. The Hornets will need a dramatic turnaround to defeat a tough and perennial winning Westfield team for a second time this season.

"I can handle us not winning," said Sheaffer, of his team's recent games. "What I can't handle is we're not playing well. That's discouraging."

But Sheaffer is not discouraged by his teams' overall play throughout the season. Herndon was a respectable 3-3 in the brutally tough Concorde District, one of the elite football district's in the state.

"Overall, I'm really happy about the season," said Sheaffer. "We know the Concorde District is a dog fight."

Cougars Capture Boys' Cross Country Title

Herndon girls win region volleyball playoff match.

BY RICH SANDERS
THE CONNECTION

The Oakton High boys' cross country team captured the team title at the Northern Region championships meet held on the afternoon of Oct. 30 at Burke Lake Park.

Oakton captured the championship with 63 points, ahead of second place Robinson, third place Jefferson and fourth place Lake Braddock. All four

teams will compete at this Saturday's state AAA championships, set to take place at Great Meadows in The Plains.

Oakton was led by junior Andrew McCullen, who finished third overall in the boys' race. Also for Oakton, senior Neal Hendricks (6th place) earned a top 15 medal. The champion Cougars also received solid races from junior Patrick Fulghum (16th place), senior Dante Morales (23rd), senior Chris Weil (27th), senior Karlan Cruz (30th) and junior Matt Woodhouse (37th).

On the girls' side, the Oakton girls finished a strong second in the team standings at regionals. Thomas Jefferson High was the team champion. The other three teams who earned state bids were the second place Cougars, third place Robinson and fourth place Lake Braddock.

Oakton's top finisher was senior Becca

Kassabian, who was sixth overall. Teammate Lanie Smith, a junior, also earned a medal with her ninth place finish. The Cougars also received solid runs from juniors Alison Gregor (25th) and Kathryn Berlin (27th), and senior Kelly Jones (42nd).

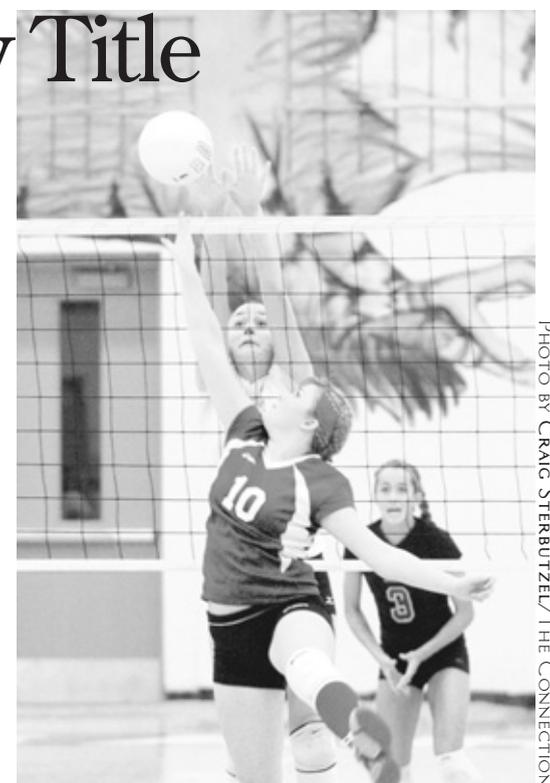
LAST YEAR'S GIRLS' region team champion, Herndon, finished seventh at last week's championships.

"It's very disappointing," said Herndon coach Pete Sherry. "Last year we won it and I thought we would definitely finish in the top four and maybe win it again."

Herndon's Carolyn Hennessey, a sophomore, was the top finisher for the Hornets. Hennessey finished 10th overall, earning her a top 15 medal, with a time of 18 minutes, 14 seconds. Herndon's next two top finishers were senior Hiruni Wijayaratne (24th overall) and senior Jessica Wilds (36th).

"Her goal was to get into the top 15 and she did her job," said Sherry,

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South Lakes (near side) saw its girls' volleyball season end last week with a first round Liberty District tournament loss to Stone Bridge. The top-seeded Bulldogs went on to ultimately win the title.

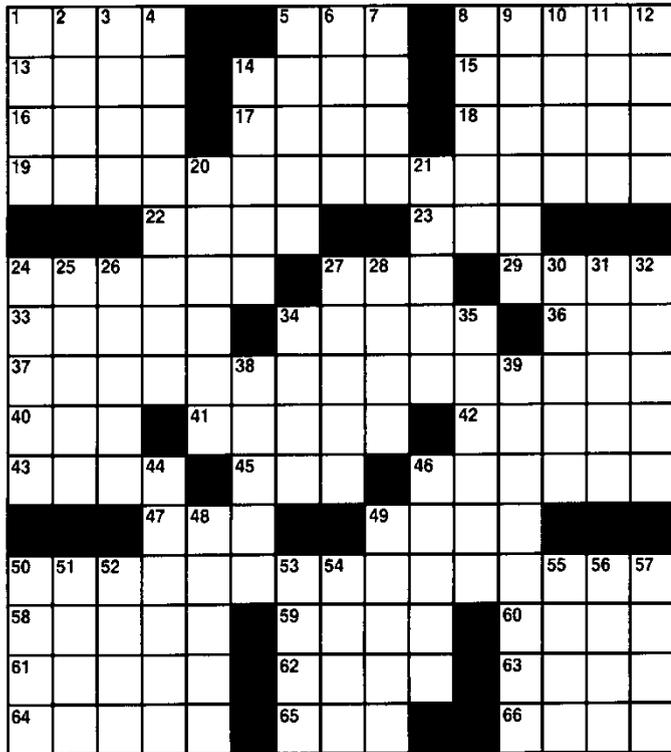
"Her goal was to get into the top 15 and she did her job. She was aggressive and the only one to step up and run better than the week before."

— Herndon High Cross Country Coach Pete Sherry, on runner Carolyn Hennessey

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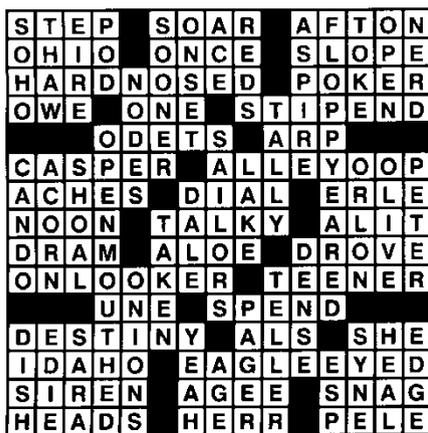


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- 65 Cagy
- 66 Wallop
- 7 Hawaiian island
- 8 Bitter
- 9 Go over again
- 10 Town NNE of Santa Fe
- 11 "— She Lovely?"
- 12 Understands
- 14 Husband to Catherine, Anne, Jane, Anne, Catherine and Catherine
- 20 Marsh birds
- 21 Big bag carrier
- 24 Therapeutic 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
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- 39 Unlocked again
- 44 Alaska native
- 46 Get up
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By KENNETH B. LOURIE

While having a conversation recently with my mother about how it was that I could stand the pressure of watching our home town team, the Boston Red Sox, play baseball night after night, as they mostly won their 2008 playoff games, many of which were "elimination games" and extremely stressful if their winning mattered to you, I had an epiphany of sorts.

Sure, I love sports; sure I'm a long time member of Red Sox Nation, having been born, bred and buttered in New England; sure, my father was an even longer-time Red Sox fan, having sold concessions at Fenway Park during the Great Depression when he was a little boy, but my fanaticism may have much deeper psychological underpinnings than that.

Watching sports, especially during those moments of game-changing, series-ending, history-making, life-affirming circumstances, creates tremendous amounts of anxiety and discomfort, and depending on the outcome, mind-crushing and mood-altering disappointment as well. As fans, we all have mechanisms for dealing with the highs and lows and the roller-coastering emotions in between. It can be drinking, smoking, eating, not eating, sitting, standing, pacing, fidgeting, fumbling, dressing a certain way, undressing a certain way, watching from a specific place, not watching (like my father-in-law), following a particular routine, etc.; all in an attempt to charm the Sports Gods and secure your team's rightful place above the rest and to secure, as well, your admission into the fan's Hall of Fame (which of course does not exist outside of anyone's head). No individuals being equal in this pursuit, as a fan you do whatever you can to cope and hope and bring home the win.

And as I was explaining an abbreviated version of this philosophy to my hearing-impaired mother (for whom my brother and I felt compelled to buy the MLB package from Comcast because of her growing passion for the Sox), I inadvertently discovered what may very well be the real reason I am able and determined to watch my beloved Red Sox win or lose, day after day, right down to the hopefully not, bitter (and premature) end: the opportunity to bite my nails without any recrimination or frustration by others as to the reason why I'm doing it.

Moreover, given the understandable tension of the sport's moment, as a fan I would be hard-pressed not to be nervous. And biting one's nails is a reasonably accepted, and semi expected-type normal behavior, especially from a fan watching an extremely stressful, highly competitive, contest, where it's likely there will be any number of slings and arrows of potentially outrageous fortune. Furthermore, given the emotional stakes fans have invested in their team's winning, especially Championships (in whatever Conference, Division, League, etc. you value), how does one not bite their nails?

So that's what I do, I bite my nails. It's normal, almost. Under these circumstances, it's sort of what people/fans do. It's all the other times when I bite my nails — constantly, which are not normal, not expected and not reasonable (and rarely tolerated, I may add). But under these unique, sports-related circumstances, my nail biting is hardly noticed, hardly mentioned and rarely a topic of conversation, unlike every other moment when it is noticed, mentioned, etc. No wonder I love being a fan, it's the one time where my abnormalities are considered normal. Some call it fanaticism, I call it nirvana.

Kenny Lourie is an Advertising Representative for The Almanac & The Connection Newspapers.

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Herndon Wins Region Playoff

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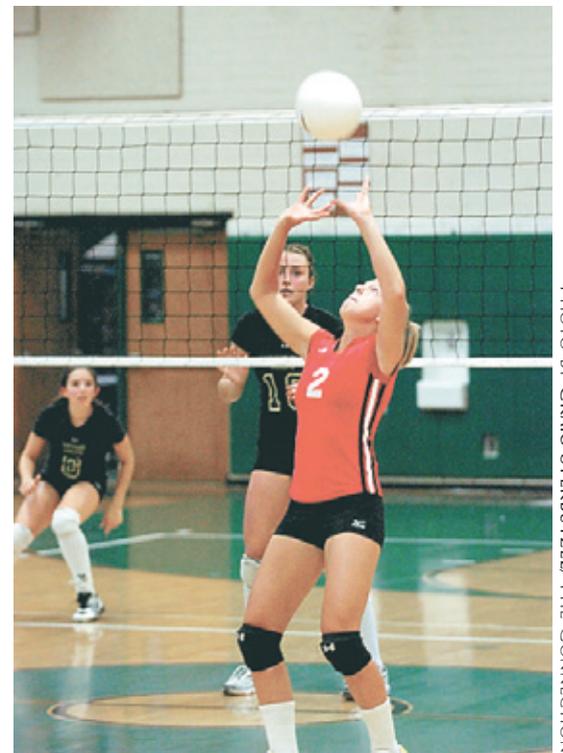


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Herndon High senior setter Mandy Roth (2) earned all-district tournament honors last week.

of Hennessey's solid run. "She was aggressive and the only one to step up and run better than the week before."

Herndon, two weeks ago, finished second overall at the Concorde District championships. Wijayarathne finished third overall at districts and Hennessey was fifth.

THE HERNDON BOYS finished sixth overall at the region meet, a nice surprise for coach Sherry, who earlier this season did not envision the Hornets doing that well.

The team had a terrific race from senior Todd Van Luling, who was ninth overall and earned a medal. Teammate Jack Jasper, a junior, also broke into the top 15 with a 12th place finish.

Sherry said he believes Van Luling can earn another medal at states. A top 15 finish there would earn him all-state recognition.

"Top 15, that's his goal," said Sherry. "This is his first time at states. That was his goal and he achieved it."

South Lakes' top boys' finisher at regionals was sophomore Will Sickenberger, who finished 64th overall in the large region field of runners.

THE HERNDON HIGH girls' volleyball team defeated South County in five games on Monday night in a first round match of the 16-team Northern Region tournament. The competition took place at South County High School in Lorton. The Stallions entered regionals as the top seed from their Patriot District, while Herndon was the No. 4 seed from the Concorde District. The Hornets won the match, three games to two, by the following scores: 25-22, 19-25, 25-18, 16-25 and 16-14.

With the win, Herndon (17-4 overall record) was scheduled to meet Liberty District No. 2 seed Langley in a quarterfinals round match on Tuesday (Election Day).

At last week's Concorde District tournament, Herndon defeated Robinson in a first round match. By doing so, the Hornets earned an automatic seeding for this week's regionals tourney. Following the victory over Robinson, Herndon lost to region power Chantilly in the district semifinals in three games. The Hornets, despite being swept by the Chargers, played Chantilly tough, losing one game by a 22-25 score and another by a 25-27 score. During a regular season meeting between the two teams earlier this fall, Chantilly had won much more decisively.

"We played them better [last week in the playoff meeting] than we have in the past," said Herndon coach Pat Smith. "Chantilly plays a tough game, they are strong and tall."

Smith said the Hornets played Chantilly

pretty much even with the exception of the Chargers' potent serving. Chantilly had eight service aces in the match, compared to one for Herndon.

"Give Chantilly credit, their eight serving aces was probably the difference," said Smith. "They served much tougher than we did."

Smith said that, even in defeat, Herndon came out of the district semifinals match feeling confident about its chances of defeating the Chargers should the two teams meet for a third time this season in a region semifinals meeting. Chantilly defeated T.C. Williams in a first round region match on Monday.

Despite having such a good win-loss record this season, Herndon did not have any of its players selected to the All-Concorde District First Team. Two Hornets made second team, however. Those players were junior middle blocker Steph Drahozal and senior libero Emily Jones. Also, senior setter Mandy Roth made honorable mention. She was also the lone Herndon player named to the all-district tournament team.

Smith was disappointed more of her players were not recognized in all-district honors. She said her team might have been hurt in the selection process by the fact that the Hornets do not have any true star players and play unselfishly and well as a team. All-district teams are selected by the coaches.

"We're not a one-horse team," said Smith. "Across the board, we play as a team."

It is not the first time Herndon has been overlooked in all-district selections. A few years ago when the Hornets went 16-1, none of the team's players made first team all-district.

Maybe the slight will motivate the Hornets at regionals.

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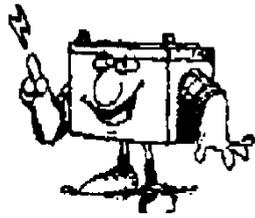
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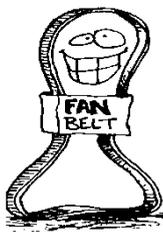


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