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**Kay Lyons, an 1-year resident of the Heatherwood Retirement Center, celebrated her 100th birthday on Jan. 8 with friends and family. Lyons was born in 1909 in York, Pa. Lyons has two children, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.**

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## Candidates Look at Raising Tax Rate

Bulova, Herrity take different approaches on other budget issues.

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE  
THE CONNECTION

Both major political party candidates for Fairfax County chairman agree the Board of Supervisors will have to at least consider raising homeowners real estate tax rate to address the locality's looming budget crisis next year.

"When we adopt a budget, there will be a reconciliation to close the projected shortfall and it will include a discussion of a tax rate adjustment," said Braddock District Supervisor Sharon Bulova, the Democratic nominee for the position.

The Republican nominee, Springfield District Supervisor Patrick Herrity, said it is likely the county will have to raise the tax rate. But Herrity also committed to lowering the actual amount of taxes most residents pay, a promise Bulova did not make.

This year, real estate assessments will have dropped significantly for many households, enough that the county could raise the real estate tax rate but not the actual amount of taxes paid by citizens, according to Herrity.

"Due to the extent of the shortfall, it is likely the tax rate (but not the actual taxes paid by homeowners) will need to be increased this year," he said on his Web site.

**THE TWO** major political party candidates will face Independent candidate Carey Campbell and Fairfax business owner Christopher DeCarlo in a special election for

### PATRICK HERRITY (R)

**Age:** 48  
**Current Home:** Clifton/Centreville  
**Hometown/Grew Up In:** Springfield, Va.  
**Education:** Virginia Tech., B.S. in Accounting (1982)  
**Family:** Wife Nancy and two high school children  
**Professional experience:** chief financial officer at Arrowhead Global Solutions, government contractor (2005- present)  
**Political experience:** Springfield District Supervisor (2008-present)  
**Civic experience:** former executive committee of Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce, former board member of Northern Virginia Technology Council, youth athletics coach



### CAREY CAMPBELL (I)

**Age:** 52  
**Current Home:** North Springfield  
**Hometown:** North Springfield  
**Education:** University of Maryland, B.A. (European Division) University of Freiburg, Germany University of Kentucky – business and accounting  
**Professional experience:** Accountant  
**Political Experience:** State Chairman, Independent Greens of Virginia; National Chairman, Draft Michael Bloomberg  
**Civic Experience:** North Springfield Civic Association Board Member, North Springfield PTA member, past vice president of the Fairfax County Federation of Civic Associations



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### SHARON BULOVA (D)

**Age:** 60  
**Current Home:** The Cloisters of Fairfax Pikesville, Md.  
**Hometown/Grew Up In:** Pikesville, Md.  
**Education:** University of Virginia (classes via Fort Belvoir extension campus), Northern Virginia Community College, business management (1977)  
**Family:** husband Lou DeFalaise, two adult children, three grandchildren  
**Professional experience:** book keeper, sales and office manager  
**Political experience:** Braddock District Supervisor (1987-present), former aide to Annandale District Supervisor Audrey Moore (1984-1987)  
**Civic experience:** founding member of Virginia Railway Express Operations Board (1989 – present), Governors Commission on Rail Enhancement for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (2004 – present)



### CHRISTOPHER DECARLO (I)

**Age:** 50  
**Current Home:** Fairfax  
**Hometown:** Greenwich, Ct.  
**Education:** Georgia Institute of Technology, coursework toward electrical engineering degree; George Mason University coursework toward business administration degree; North Virginia Community College  
**Family:** wife Kathleen and five children, ages 2 years old to 10 years old  
**Professional Experience:** president of DeCarlo Enterprises Inc., which sells propane gas to over 1,000 customers in Fairfax County.



Connolly (D-11), vacated the position earlier this month to join the U.S. Congress.

Fairfax County government's leadership has to close the \$650 million funding gap in Fairfax's \$3.3 billion budget for fiscal year 2010, which starts July 1. The financial hole is larger than the combined budgets of the police, fire and rescue, sheriff, library, parks and recreation and health departments.

"This is the most serious downturn I have experienced since I have been on the board," said Bulova, who was first elected in 1987.

**"This is the most serious downturn I have experienced since I have been on the board."**

— Sharon Bulova, elected in 1987

The circumstances surrounding the county chairman's special election are similar to 14 years ago when, in 1995, the sitting county chairman, Tom Davis (R), left the Fairfax board to join the U.S. Congress, triggering a February special election to replace him.

Just like the Democrats in 2008, the Republican Party had made significant gains at the national and local level in 1995 and appeared to have the advantage in chairman's race. Fairfax County's budget and economic situation, like today, was also

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PHOTO BY ROBBIE HAMMER/THE CONNECTION

Kay Lyons has help with blowing out her birthday cake candles from her son, Ken Lyons of California and her great-grandson William Sinclair, 3, of Centreville. Kay Lyons, a resident of the Heatherwood Retirement Center in Burke, celebrated her 100th birthday on Jan. 8 with friends and family.

## Rest in Peace?

Witness in Caprino homicide case convicted in drugs trial.

Dustin Ryan Edwards attempted to steal marijuana from a 19-year-old petty drug dealer on Old Blacksmith Drive in Burke on Dec. 10, 2006.

Charles Max Caprino, who had planned to sell Edwards, of the 9600 block of Thackery Court in Fairfax, and his friend an ounce of dope, murdered Edwards' friend and shot at Edwards, who became a witness for the prosecution in Caprino's trial in 2007.

Edwards, 19 at the time, gave his friend who died a moniker every time he mentioned him during court proceedings in 2007. "Rest in peace Jose," Edwards called his friend throughout his testimony both in the May 2007 trial and preliminary hearing in the case.

But just last month, Edwards was sentenced in an unrelated case to possession of marijuana with intent to distribute, according to Fairfax County Circuit Court records. He was sentenced on Dec. 1, 2008 to five years in jail, although a Fairfax County Circuit Court judge suspended four years and nine months of the sentence. Edwards was also sentenced to one year of probation as well as mandated to attend a recidivist prevention program, according to court records.

Last week, Edwards was sentenced to one year in jail after pleading guilty to grand larceny on Nov. 17, 2008 in another unrelated case. Eight months of that sentence was suspended, according to court records.

— KEN MOORE

# To Deal with Deficit, Tax Hike on Table

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tough and residents had just endured a round of cuts to county services.

"I cut everything except [information technology] and economic development," said Davis, about the 1994-1995 county budget.

With a voter turn out of 17.8 percent, the Democrat, Providence District Supervisor Kate Hanley, beat the Republican, Springfield District Supervisor Elaine McConnell, to become county chairman that year.

Davis said this year's special election for chairman could be a referendum on the supervisors' approach to the budget, especially since Bulova has been intimately involved with the county finances as the board's budget committee chair for more than a decade.

"When it comes to the budget, voters will get a say very early on because of the election," he said.

The two major political party candidates, Bulova and Herrity, agreed that the integrity of Fairfax County Public Schools, which normally receives more than half of Fairfax's annual budget, should be a top priority.

**BULOVA** said human services would also be another budget priority if she were to become county chairman.

Fairfax has seen a greater demand and

need for human services programs, especially since the region started to face a financial downturn. With the faltering economy, it is likely people will need even more from those programs than they have in the past, said Bulova. "The increase in demand and spending in these areas has nothing to do with inflation," she said.

In terms of cuts, Bulova said she hopes to take actions similar to the 1990s when there was a major downturn in revenue and board members eliminated services like satellite tax offices and small "storefront" library kiosks, she said.

Without seeing county executive Tony Griffin's budget proposal, the supervisor could not point to specific cuts she would support at this time.

"It's still a little bit early. We need to give the county executive his opportunity to put something on the table first," she said.

Bulova is pleased with the way county officials and the board addressed the county budget crisis so far. Fairfax started hosting community meetings about the budget in the early fall and has engaged residents earlier than the county usually does, she said.

The supervisors recently implemented more programs focused on preventing home foreclosure and purchased 10 foreclosed properties, with the intention of fixing the houses up and selling them.

The foreclosure crisis has a direct impact on the county budget since Fairfax County acquires the bulk of its revenue through residential real estate taxes and those collections are linked to home value and assessment.

**HERRITY**, who is one of just two Republicans on the Board of Supervisors, is more critical of the way Fairfax has handled its budget crisis.

The county should have been more willing to make cuts in its current budget cycle as soon as next year's financial picture began to look so dire. Instead, Bulova and other supervisors opted to wait until the situation got worse, he said.

Herrity has called for more budget transparency. He proposed a county "blue ribbon" budget commission, where a group of citizens would provide advice on how to adjust Fairfax's budget. Herrity also wants to put details of county expenses online for residents to peruse, he said.

When it comes to budget cuts, Herrity has proposed scaling back Fairfax County's affordable housing program – which has received over \$20 million annually in recent years. He wants to limit the scope of Fairfax County's housing program to focus only on people "really in need," such as those with mental disabilities or development chal-

lenges that would make it difficult for them to take care of themselves.

The county currently offers housing to some people near or below the county's median household income. The Springfield supervisor also voted against the board's decision to purchase foreclosed homes.

"We are competing with the private sector. ... We need to focus on the people that truly need help," said Herrity.

Over the long term, Herrity hopes to help the county budget by increasing Fairfax's commercial tax base. Commercial property owners tend to contribute more money in real estate taxes than they use in county services, he said. Currently, only 17 percent of Fairfax's tax base is commercial. Herrity would like to increase that number to 25 percent, he said.

In addition to education, Herrity said he is most concerned about cuts to the public safety budget.

As for the two independent candidates, Campbell said keeping Fairfax County Public Schools "strong" would be his number one priority. He would also focus on trying to build one lane of light rail on the Capital Beltway.

DeCarlo, who announced his candidacy Jan. 10, said the county's main problems were "outrageous taxes" and over-regulation.



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# Altering Grading Scale

More than 800 turn out at School Board meeting to support change.

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE  
THE CONNECTION

Emily Goodnight's acceptance into Utah State University this December was bittersweet. The school is Goodnight's top choice, but the Marshall High School senior was frustrated the university did not grant her admission into its business school.

Goodnight's standardized test scores were more than adequate, but Utah State requires at least a 3.5 grade point average (GPA) for admission to its business program. The Vienna resident, an International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma candidate, has a 3.3 GPA.

**ACCORDING TO GOODNIGHT**, Fairfax County's grading policies are partly responsible for her rejection. If she attended school in Arlington., Goodnight would probably have earned a high enough GPA to be automatically accepted into the business program,

she said.

Instead of the more widely used 10-point grading scale, Fairfax County Public Schools operates on a six-point grading scale, requiring students to earn a 94 percent, instead of 90 percent, to acquire an A in a class.

The Fairfax school system also only awards a half-point weight on the GPA scale for Advanced Placement and IB courses while many other comparable school systems, like Arlington and Montgomery County, award a full point.

Fairfax County gives no additional weight to honors courses. Again, many school systems allot a half or full-point bump in the GPA scale for an honors class.

"On a 10-point scale with a one-point weight for my IB classes, I have more than the 3.5 required for admission to business school,"

**"I am considering moving to Montgomery County if they don't do something."**

— Chuck Goodnight, parent

said Goodnight.

**THE STUDENT'S** father, Chuck, added that Fairfax County's grading scale could cost his family \$48,000 if Utah State decides not to reconfigure his daughter's GPA for a merit-based scholarship.

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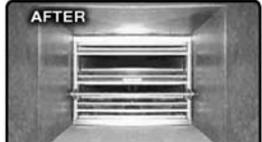
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# OPINION

## It's Not Grade Inflation

Fairfax should change to 10-point grading, add weight for advanced classes; over 90 percent is an A.

Fairfax County Public Schools, along with Loudoun County schools, have been grading students in a way that puts them at a disadvantage for scholarships, college admissions and college credit compared to other similar school systems.

Right now there is a proposal on the table in Fairfax that would remedy many of these concerns, and the school board should take this opportunity to do so.

Fairfax has been grading students on a six point scale, meaning that a student scoring more than 90 points out of 100 could get a B instead of an A; it takes a 94 for an A, and a 64 to pass.

**WHILE MOST** comparable school systems offer extra points for Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate and some honors classes, Fairfax has not been doing so.

Will changing the grading scale mean that

more students from Fairfax County will head to Harvard? Not at all; many top colleges make their own adjustments to applicants' grade point averages, but not all. While it's easy for some to dismiss this push on helicopter parents who would do anything to further the success of their gifted children, there are some important issues at stake.

There is no question that a lower grade point average as reported by an applicant's school can result in fewer opportunities for merit scholarships. Given the cost of college tuition and the economic challenges facing all families right now, putting Fairfax students at a disadvantage for scholarship money is unfair and unwise.

And at the margins, how the schools calculate and report a grade point average could affect which colleges accept a given applicant,

and these small differences can have a dramatic affect on a student's college experience.

Giving extra weight for the extra rigor and work of AP and IB classes is also critical for our students.

Fairfax County also should ensure that its graduates arrive at college with the most college credit possible for their college level studies in high school. Students taking IB exams should also take the most similar AP exam. In many cases, no additional preparation is required. While IB courses are just as rigorous as AP classes and should result in college credit for the students who have successfully completed them based on test scores, many colleges do not yet recognize IB test scores for credit.

But a student who scores well on the IB test will likely score just as well on the most similar AP test, and almost every college will give credit for high AP scores.

Again this is not a nicety for parents to brag about or students to put on their resumé. Arriving as a freshman in college with college credit gives students a leg up on more advanced coursework, and can in some cases reduce the cost of college by a semester or more.

### EDITORIAL

### COMMENTARY

## Recession Leads to Early Budget Work

Early community input, work by Fairfax County staff on budget unprecedented.

BY SUPERVISOR SHARON BULOVA  
D-BRADDOCK

Fairfax County has a long history of providing excellent services that sustain a high quality of life for our residents. From education to public safety, from parks and recreation to human services, Fairfax County supports the needs and expectations of our diverse and engaged community. The provision of these services requires the balancing of community needs against our resources to fund them. For the budget cycle beginning July 1, 2009, significant challenges are occurring which make this balance more difficult.

We are very much affected by a serious national recession. The worldwide meltdown of our lending institutions, a steep drop in the value of real estate, an unprecedented number of residential foreclosures and a drop in sales tax revenues are anticipated to result in a significant decline in county revenues in FY 2010. Just to maintain status quo in the county's \$3.35 billion general fund budget we would come up short \$648 million. As county government is obligated to operate within a balanced budget, very tough decisions will be required to align county and school services and spending with available revenues.

On Monday, Dec. 15, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors concluded an intensive four-month Lines of Business Review to prepare for the challenging Fiscal Year 2010 budget. A parallel process engaged the community in this discussion through 20 Community Dialogues throughout the county, as well as five "Brown Bag" Employee lunch sessions. The schools also solicited feedback from employees through surveys and e-mails. For the first time, the School Board and school staff worked directly with the Board of Supervisors and general county staff to scrutinize programs and services in order to identify priorities, efficiencies and candidates for reduction, elimination, and reorganization — well before the superintendent and county executive release their advertised budgets. This degree of board and community engagement this early in the budget process is unprecedented. I am certain that it will prove invaluable as we right size services and programs to a significantly reduced revenue stream.

On Feb. 23, County Executive Tony Griffin will release a recommended budget for Fiscal Year 2010. He will have had the benefit of the Lines of Business Review, Community Dialogues and employee involvement to assist him in developing a strategy for closing the shortfall with the goal of protecting the quality of

life we value. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our county and school staff who spent countless hours on weekends and in the evenings to support this process. They provided briefings and facilitated small-group discussions, answered hundreds of questions and entertained an equal number of recommendations. I sincerely thank the many hundreds of county residents who attended these Community Dialogues and contributed suggestions and comments via phone and online. I hope they will continue their involvement in this critical process as the school and County Advertised Budgets are presented and the board considers changes to bring Fiscal Year 2010 into fiscal equilibrium. Summaries of their discussions and suggestions were posted on the county's Web site Friday, Dec. 19 at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/government/budget/>. Public hearings on the County Executive's Advertised Budget will be the week of March 30.

To use a popular quote, Fairfax County intends to "not waste crises" and considers this downturn an opportunity to identify efficiencies and reorganizational changes that will serve us well as we work through this difficult time.

*Supervisor Sharon Bulova (D-Braddock) is chairman of the Board of Supervisor's budget committee. She is currently running for chairman of the board against Supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield) and independents Carey Campbell and Christopher F. DeCarlo. The special election is Tuesday, Feb. 3.*

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# LETTERS

## Vote for Change

To the Editor:

Several years ago the rallying cry for election was "it's the economy stupid." Fast-forward to Fairfax County 2009 and the cry is "it's the budget stupid" or more to the point "it's the budget deficit stupid". The county has a predicted deficit of at least a \$650 million revenue shortfall in FY 2010. How did this happen? Easy when you have unbridled expenditures that way outpace inflation and growth in county residents. Who did this — Sharon Bulova, Gerry Connolly and the Democratic majority on the Board?

Now we have a special election Feb. 3 to fill the vacant chairman's seat. We have a choice and in my mind an easy one. Choose Bulova and her 16 years of running the county budget (the one that will be \$650 million short) or Pat Herrity, a new face with excellent financial experience as a corporate CFO that deals with government budgets everyday.

Pat Herrity wants a transparent county budget on the Web that you and I can see and understand. Pat Herrity wants targeted budget cuts, not across-the-board cuts that hurt our police and fire departments and our teachers. Pat Herrity wants to expand our commercial tax base.

It is time to get rid of the waste in Fairfax County. These are complicated times and we need leadership to accomplish this tough task. So vote for a change Feb. 3. Vote Pat Herrity.

**Joe Nash**  
Fairfax Station

## Problems Ignored

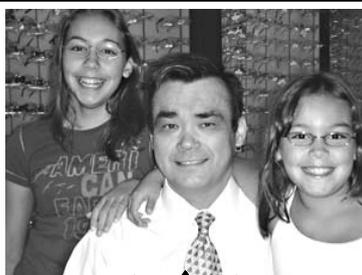
To the Editor:

With an important election just a short ways off, it is interesting that the causes of some of Fairfax County's most serious problems are ignored by this paper.

In 2007, there were 14 murders in the county; in 2008, there were 22 and county policies contributed mightily to the increase. In addition, the public schools are spending between \$350 million-\$400 million needlessly which is much of the country's fiscal shortfall but you refuse to report on that either. I know why, but as a so-called unbiased news staff why don't you tell your readers why you won't report the true facts. Concerned people want to know.

**Christopher Thompson**  
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# Son of 101 Things To Do

Connection continues talley of local activities to take part in in 2009.

## Catch Air at Van Dyck

**Van Dyck Park**  
3500 Old Lee Highway  
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The City of Fairfax's first skate park features several ramps, rails and a halfpipe. The surface is cement. In the afternoons and evenings, the park gets more crowded, and when school lets out the number of skaters using the park dramatically increases.

## Stick an Oar in the Water

**Kayaking with NVCT**  
Fountainhead Regional Park, Fairfax Station

**Pohick Bay, Lorton**  
**Mason Neck, Lorton**  
**Bull Run Marina, Clifton**

All through the summer, the Northern Virginia Conservation Trust offers kayaking trips at several locations along the Potomac River and Occoquan Reservoir. A naturalist is on hand to illuminate the flora and fauna along the shore. Kayaking equipment is provided, but participants are asked to bring

water and sunscreen and wear appropriate attire. Registration is required and a fee is collected to cover expenses. Contact Whitney Bailey at 703-354-5093 or wbailey@nvct.org.

## Captain a Boat On Lake Accotink

**Lake Accotink Park**  
7500 Accotink Park Road  
Springfield

Lake Accotink is a 55-acre body of water. That's a lot of territory through which to navigate a variety of vessels available to park guests. Pedal Boats can be rented for \$5 per half-hour. Row Boats are available for \$6 per hour, Canoes are \$5. Boats powered by electric motors, sailboats under 15 feet and kayaks are allowed on the lake. There is a \$2 launch fee for each vehicle. Call 703-569-3464 for more information, or visit the Web site for park hours [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/accotink](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/accotink).

## Do the Texas Two Step

**Northern Virginia Country Western Dance Association** [www.nvcwda.org](http://www.nvcwda.org)  
703-860-4941

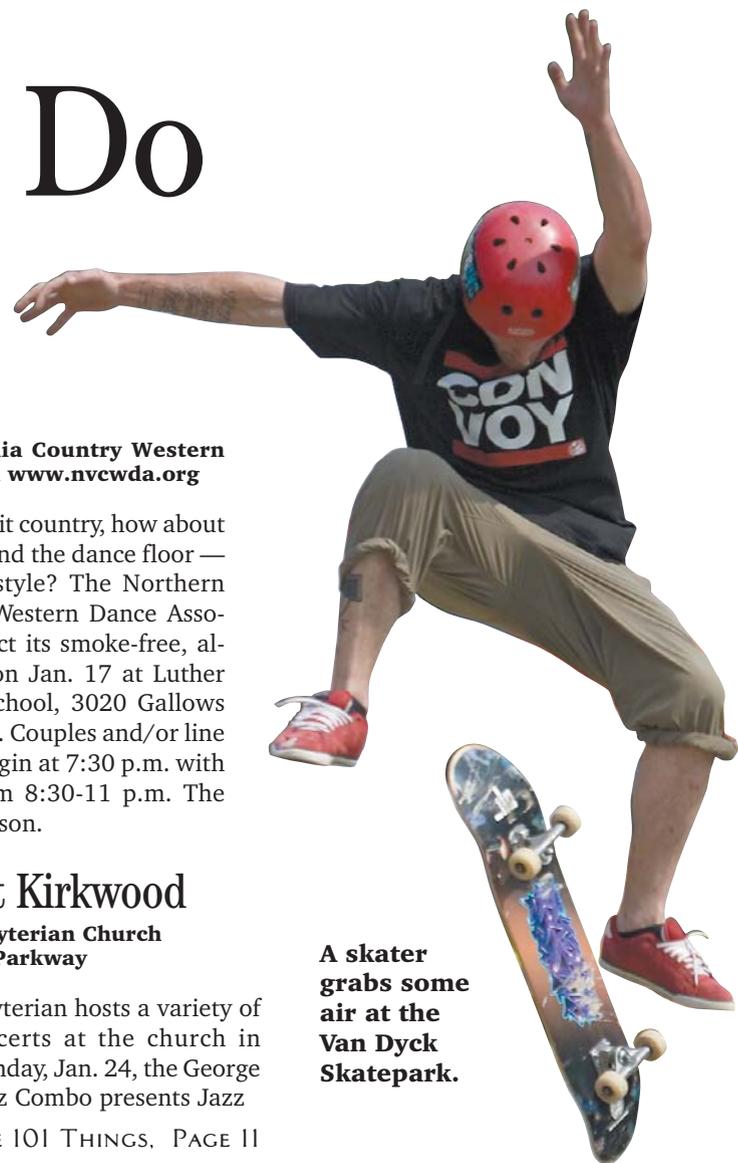
If you're a little bit country, how about taking a twirl around the dance floor — country/western style? The Northern Virginia Country Western Dance Association will conduct its smoke-free, alcohol-free dance on Jan. 17 at Luther Jackson Middle School, 3020 Gallows Road, Falls Church. Couples and/or line dancing lessons begin at 7:30 p.m. with open dancing from 8:30-11 p.m. The cost is \$12 per person.

## Concerts at Kirkwood

**Kirkwood Presbyterian Church**  
8336 Carrleigh Parkway  
Springfield

Kirkwood Presbyterian hosts a variety of free musical concerts at the church in Springfield. On Sunday, Jan. 24, the George Mason Faculty Jazz Combo presents Jazz

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A skater grabs some air at the Van Dyck Skatepark.

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## CAMPS & SCHOOLS

# Changing GPA Formula

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students with 3.4 GPA, a standard Goodnight would meet if her grades are calculated on a 10-point grading scale with the heavier weights for advanced coursework.

"I am considering moving to Montgomery County if they don't do something. Staying in Fairfax County costs me money," said Chuck Goodnight, who has son entering high school next year.

**SCHOOL BOARD** members are leaning toward adopting new policies that reflect national trends in grading scales and weights following a year of intense lobbying from the citizen advocacy group, FAIRGRADE.

Over the past several months, FAIRGRADE has called for the school system to adopt a 10-point grading scale and adding points for honors, IB and AP classes to more adequately reflect the policies of other school districts. Parents and students argued that Fairfax County graduates have been missing out on scholarship opportunities, admission to honors programs and overall college acceptance because their GPAs were artificially deflated when compared to students from other areas.

During a work session Jan. 12, the School Board indicated it would mostly likely vote to increase weighting for Advanced Placement (AP) and IB courses from a half-point to a full-point on the GPA scale at its next meeting Jan. 22. The change would

apply retroactively to students already enrolled in AP/IB courses this year.

"In hindsight, there is a price that may have been overlooked. ... Our kids may not be on a level playing field in terms of merit scholarships and honor programs," said Superintendent Jack Dale, who recommended the change.

**THE SCHOOL BOARD** also seemed to be in favor of increasing weights for honors courses.

Dale said the school system would have to review which classes the extra weight would apply to and probably could not make the change until the start of the next school year. Some classes should probably carry the extra weight but are not explicitly considered "honors" courses currently, according to the superintendent.

"In addition to honors, we have 'pre-IB' and 'pre-AP' courses. ... We have some courses at [Thomas Jefferson School for Science and Technology] that don't fall under any of those categories but that should probably carry the weight," said Dale, who was in favor of adding the honors weight.

**BUT** the superintendent and a few School Board members pushed back on converting from a six-point to a 10-point grading scale.

Dale said no conclusive evidence was available that the six-point grading scale hurt Fairfax County stu

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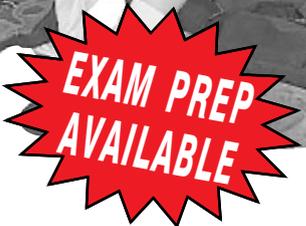
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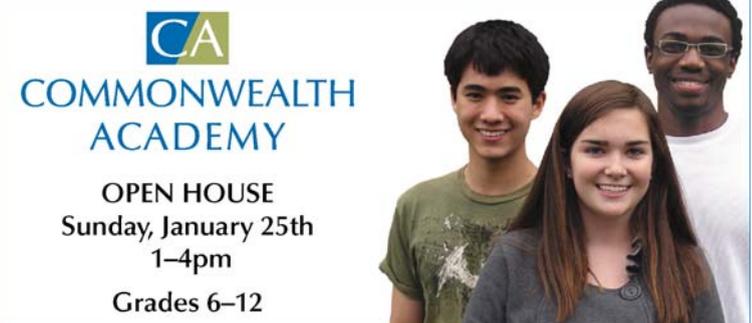


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## THURSDAY/JAN. 15

**Friday Morning Music Club at Old Town Hall**, 11 a.m. at 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. Haydn Variations in F Minor with Barbara Peterson Cackler, piano. Selections from Lalo, Duke, Hue and Chabrier with Nancy MacArthur Smith, soprano and Patricia Parker, piano. Gary Schocker Memory Book with Michael Bowyer, flute, and Amy Rothstein, piano. 703-273-6097 or jormesher@fairfaxva.gov.

**Patty Larkin**, folk guitarist. 8 p.m. at The Barns. Tickets \$22. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.

**Friday Morning Music Club**, 11 a.m. at Old Town Hall, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. Free. 703-352-ARTS or www.fairfaxarts.org.

**Lunch N' Life for age 50 and up**, from 12-2 p.m. Sponsored by the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke at Jubilee Christian Center, 4650 Shirley Gate Road, Fairfax. "Secrets Behind the Lincoln Memorial" will be presented by the National Park Service. For reservations, call 703-620-0161 by Jan. 8. \$8 per person. If transportation is needed, call 703-323-4788. www.fairfax-burkesc.org.

**Let's Hear It for the Girls**, 7 p.m. Mother-daughter book discussion group. "The Black Book of Secrets" by F.E. Higgins. Age 9-11 with adult. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. 703-978-5600.

**Independent Living Exercise Class**, 12 p.m. Build strength, improve balance and reduce falls. Pohick Regional Library, 6450 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. 703-644-7333.

**Reading Across the Centuries**, 7 p.m. Writer and university instructor Wendi Kaufman facilitates the discussion of "The Brothers Karamazov" by Fyodor Dostoyevsky. Pohick Regional Library, 6450 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. 703-644-7333.

**What Will I Wear?** 10:30 a.m. Stories and activities. Age 3-5 with adult.

Fairfax City Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. 703-293-6227.

**Afternoon Reading Group**, 1 p.m. The Uncommon Reader by Alan Bennett. Adults. Fairfax City Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. 703-293-6227.

**Burke Preschool Fair**, with over 25 preschools from Burke and the surrounding area. 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at the Burke Fire Department Community Hall, 9501 Old Burke Lake Road, Burke. 866-841-9139 or www.geocities.com/momsclubburke.

**Financial Planning for Separation and Divorce**, 7 p.m. at Investment & Resource Planning Associates, 10600 Arrowhead Drive, Suite 310, Fairfax. \$55 non-members, \$45 members. 703-281-0657 or www.thewomenscenter.org.

**The Arts for Understanding Tour** featuring Nero and Scott Lewis. Pop/rock. 7 p.m. \$20. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

## FRIDAY/JAN. 16

**Baritone Keith Phares, mezzo-soprano Patricia Risley and pianist Kim Pensinger Witman**. 8 p.m. at The Barns. Tickets \$35. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.

**AVP Hot Winter Nights Pro Beach Volleyball Tour**, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets from \$15 to \$65, through www.ticketmaster.com or 202-397-SEAT. George Mason Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Circle, Fairfax. www.patriotcenter.com.

**Hotspur, Goodnight Anthem, Time Tells All and The Baby Grand**. Rock. 5:30 p.m. \$10. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

**Two documentaries on the presidency of George W. Bush**, 10:30 p.m. at Cinema Arts Theatre, 9650 Main St., Fairfax, 'Crawford' and 'Public Witness.' Tickets are \$5, available at the box office or through www.cinemaartstheatre.com. Visit www.crawfordmovie.com or www.publicwitnessmovie.com. 703-978-6991.

## SATURDAY/JAN. 17

**Carlene Carter, contemporary**

**country**. 7:30 p.m. at The Barns. Tickets \$25. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.

**New Year, New Library**. Join local scout groups for a library open house and learn about the library's green features. Tours at 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. Snacks will be provided all day. All ages. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. 703-249-1520.

**Dangerous Summer, The Downtown Fiction, Select Start, School Boy Humor and Sing Me Insomnia**. 4:30 p.m. \$10 advance, \$12 at the door. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

**"A Farewell Show" with The Sketches, Alfonso Velez and Mike Errico**. Pop/rock. 9:30 p.m. \$15. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

**Fairfax Symphony Orchestra's 52nd Season**. 8 p.m. at George Mason University's Center for the Arts, 4373 Mason Pond Drive, Fairfax. Free ConcerTalk with Daniel Meyer at 7 p.m. 703-563-1990.

**Northern Virginia Country Western Dance Association's Country Dance**, 7:30-11 p.m. at Luther Jackson Middle School, 3020 Gallows Road, Falls Church. \$12 per person. 703-860-4941 or www.nvcwda.org.

## SUNDAY/JAN. 18

**Jon Carroll, Zoe Mulford, Joe Uehlein & The U-Liners, Karen Collins, Ruthie & the Wranglers, Laura Baron, Seth Kibel, Carey Creed and Jesse Palidofsky**. 7 p.m. \$10 advance, \$12 at the door. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

**G-Scale Trains Running at Fairfax Station Railroad Museum**, 1-4 p.m. at 11200 Fairfax Station Road, Fairfax Station. The Washington, Virginia and Maryland Garden Railway Society will be running large-scale model trains in the community room. \$2 Adults, \$1 children. 703-425-9225 or www.fairfax-station.org.

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## MONDAY/JAN. 19

**Old Town Hall Children's Series: Peter McCory - One Man Band**, 10:30 a.m. at Old Town Hall, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. Free. 703-352-ARTS or www.fairfaxarts.org.

**Open Mic Night with Ron Goad**. 7-10 p.m. \$2. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

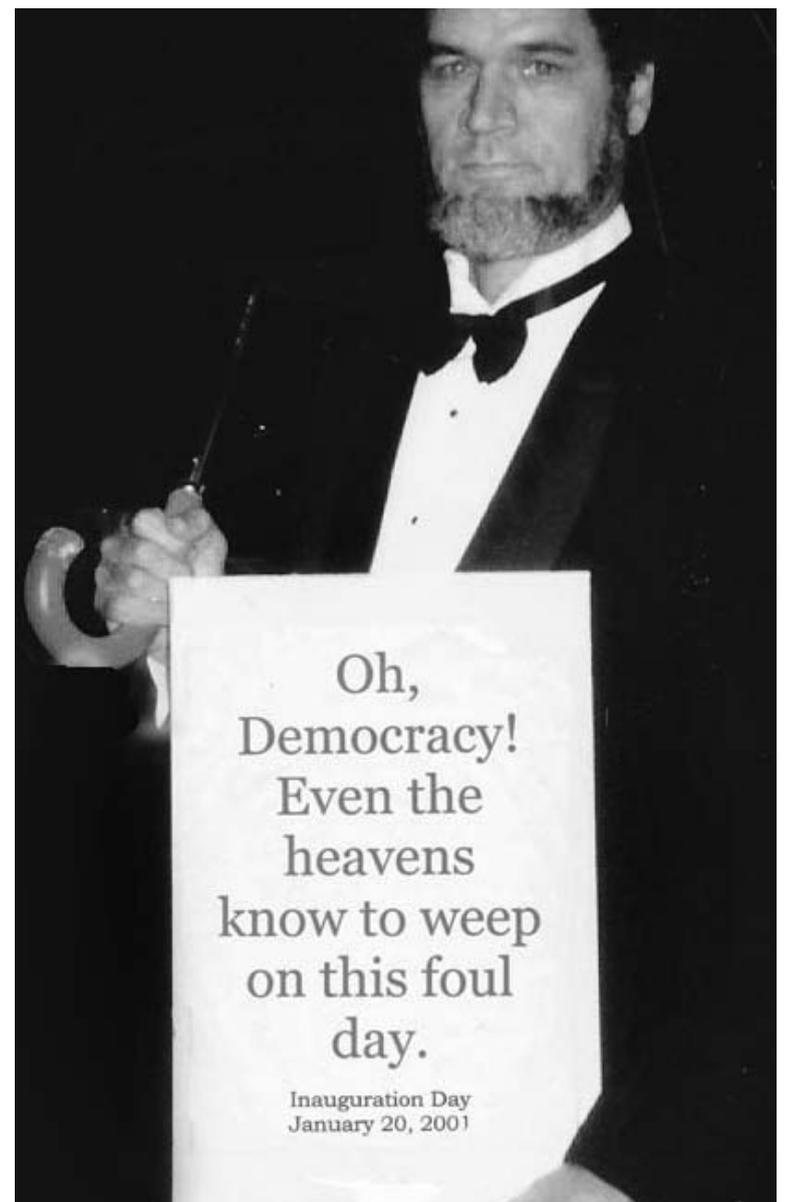
## TUESDAY/JAN. 20

**Inauguration Day Par-tay with Toubab Krewe**. Rock/afro-beat. 8 p.m. \$10 advance, \$12 at the door. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

## WEDNESDAY/JAN. 21

**Needlework Group**, 10:30 a.m. Bring a project to work on and enjoy the company of your fellow needlecrafters. Adults. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. 703-249-1520.

**Learn about Fairfax County Public Library's Access Services and other community resources**, 11 p.m. Pohick Regional Library, 6450 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. 703-644-7333.



**Two documentaries on the presidency of George W. Bush will be shown at the Cinema Arts Theatre in Fairfax on Friday, Jan. 16. 'Crawford' is a view of the Bush presidency through the eyes of the residents of Crawford, Texas, and 'Public Witness,' above, is from local independent filmmaker C.W. Prather.**

**Classic Fairy Tales**, 10:30 a.m. Stories and activities. Age 3-5. Fairfax City Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. 703-293-6227.

## THURSDAY/JAN. 22

**Celtic Crossroads**. 8 p.m. Traditional bluegrass, gypsy, and jazz at The Barns. Tickets \$25. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.

**Vrrrooom!** 10:30 a.m. Stories about cars. Age 2-5 with adult. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. 703-249-1520.

**Tales for Two's: Tail Wagging Tales**, 10:15 p.m. Stories about dogs and cats. Age 24-35 months. Pohick Regional Library, 6450 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. 703-644-7333.

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**Jim's Big Ego and Hamell on Trial**. Rock. 8 p.m. \$12. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

## FRIDAY/JAN. 23

**George Mason University's Potomac Arts Academy, 2009 High School Honor Band Festival**, 8 p.m. at the George Mason Center for the Arts Concert Hall, 4500 Patriot Circle, Fairfax.

High school band students will perform with the United States Navy Band. Free. jkilken1@gmu.edu or 703-993-1607.

**Mill Run Dulcimer Band**. 8 p.m. at the Old Town Hall, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. Free. 703-352-ARTS.

**"Singin' in the Rain"**. 7:30 p.m. at Fairfax High School, 3501 Rebel Run, Fairfax. 703-219-2351 or www.fxplayers.org.

**Chris Pureka and Nicole Reynolds**. Acoustic. 7 p.m. \$10. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

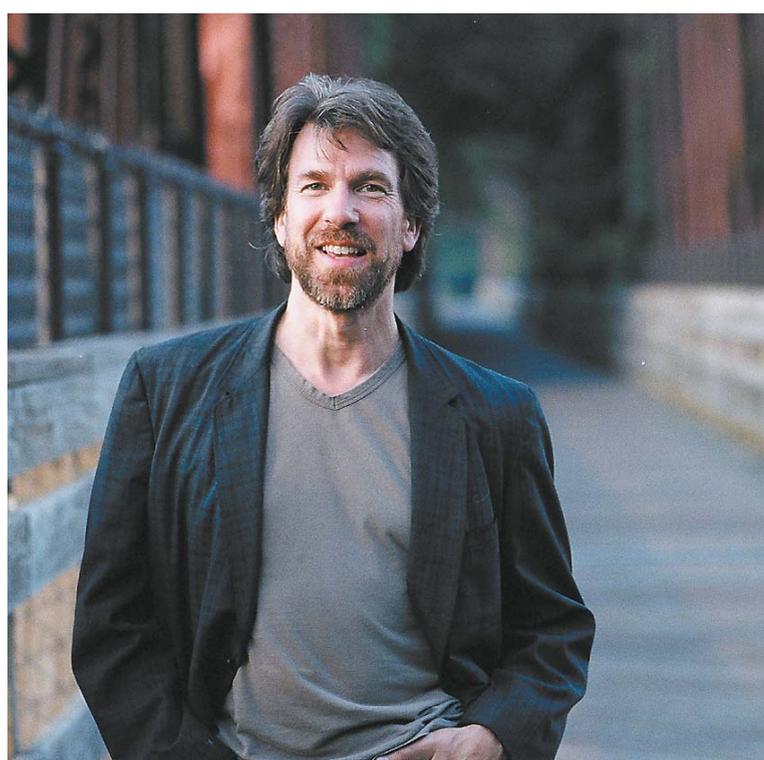
**Chicago City Limits: Myspace or Yours?** Comedy. 8 p.m. at The Barns. Tickets \$22. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.

**The Chuck Shaffer Picture Show, Irresponsible, The Secret Cool and RedShift**. 10 p.m. \$10. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. N.E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

## SATURDAY/JAN. 24

**"Singin' in the Rain"**. 7:30 p.m. at Fairfax High School, 3501 Rebel Run, Fairfax. www.fxplayers.org.

**George Mason University's Potomac Arts Academy, 2009 High School Honor Band Festival**, 1 p.m. at the George Mason Center for the Arts Concert Hall, 4500 Patriot Circle, Fairfax. Free. jkilken1@gmu.edu or 703-993-1607.



**Jon Carroll, Zoe Mulford, Joe Uehlein & The U-Liners, Karen Collins, Ruthie & the Wranglers, Laura Baron, Seth Kibel, Carey Creed and Jesse Palidofsky perform at Jammin' Java on Sunday, Jan. 18.**

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Festival will again feature the Taste of Chocolate, in which vendors sell a variety of sweet treats; the Chocolate Challenge, an art exhibition in which chocolate is the medium; as well as several children's and family activities around town. The festival, created to bolster interest in both Old Town and in community participation, donates a portion of its proceeds to a selected charity every year. For more information, call 703-385-1661.

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# CAMPS & SCHOOLS

## FCPS Students Lose Out?

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dents during the college and university admissions process.

Most School Board members appeared to be leaning toward changing the grading scale anyway, particularly after more than 800 members of FAIRGRADE showed up to the Jan. 8 School Board meeting to advocate for the change. Dale also did not articulate clear reasons for keeping the six-

point scale and so several School Board members said they felt as if there was "no harm" in changing it.

"There seems to be little to lose? Little downside?" said School Board member Brad Center (Lee) at the work session.

Board members will review various permutations of the 10-point scale, like those that do and do not include letter grades with pluses and minuses, and indicated that they would probably adopt a new scale for the

start of next school year.

**SOME SCHOOL BOARD** members had been concerned about the School Board adopting extra weighting for advanced courses like AP, IB and honors without changing the grading scale as Dale had suggested.

They said they were concerned such a move would only help high-achieving students without providing relief to those on the lower end of the grade spectrum.

"If we were only to change the weighting system and not the grading scale, the bell

curve would further widen. We would be separating higher achieving students from lower achieving students even more," said student School Board member Arvin Ahmadi, a Thomas Jefferson junior.

Others members mentioned that some evidence shows that a 10-point grading scale improves drop out rates among African American and Latino students when compared to a six-point grading scale.

Some were also concerned, due to public outcry over the issue, the parents had lost confidence in the county's six-point grading scale.

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# Shortfall Be Damned

Sensing this could be it, Lake Braddock gymnasts to 'go out with a bang.'

BY JASON MACKAY  
THE CONNECTION

Facing a countywide budget crunch, girls gymnastics has come under scrutiny lately. Numbers are said to be dwindling and the sport appears to be less popular at the high school level.

That does not seem to be the case at Lake Braddock.

While the sport has appeared in all three levels of a proposed budget-tightening plan, the Bruins have seen their numbers increase. For the first time in recent memory, the team conducted tryouts for its varsity squad.

"We make sure to tell people how we did in gymnastics," said senior Emily Parillo. "We didn't think that people would listen, but this year people actually came out [for the team]."

At Lake Braddock, with nine Virginia AAA state titles and five straight from 1995-99, the Bruins have been relatively insulated from the lack of participation. The school has a strong gymnastics tradition, one that claims such stars as Christina Ghani and Justin Spring.

"People expect big things from us and we try to uphold that tradition," said Ellen Hagan-Bowerman, in her ninth year as he Bruins coach.

**THIS SEASON** Hagan-Bowerman has employed a different motivational tactic than some of her colleagues on basketball courts or wrestling mats. She's exhorted her Bruins to practice every day as if it's their last, budget shortfall be damned.

And it has worked.

At last Friday's six-team meet featuring Chantilly, Herndon, W.T. Woodson, Annandale and Falls Church, the Bruins (134.825) finished second — 9.6 points behind Chantilly (144.425).

Parillo led the charge, finishing fifth in the all-around competition with 35.250 points, while freshman Catlin Liberatore claimed 11th place with 33.350.

The Bruins won the Patriot District title last season and finished fifth in the Northern Region. Better yet, not a single senior graduated from that team. Parillo, a second-year captain, cited the team's closeness, which was developed last season, as a major reason for the early success.

"We're just really good at being a team and bonding," she said. "We all get along."

Lake Braddock won the Bobcat Classic at Battlefield High School on Dec. 13. There, Parillo took first in the all-around portion while freshman Caitlin Liberatore finished third.

Two days later, the Bruins scored another important win, besting Patriot District foes West Springfield, Lee and Annandale, as well as W.T. Woodson, Robinson and Falls Church. Again Parillo won the all-around title and Liberatore improved enough to finish second.

"It's a really intense team," said freshman Sarah



BY JASON MACKAY/THE CONNECTION

**Freshman Caitlin Liberatore has been a pleasant surprise for the Bruins this season. Liberatore placed 11th during a six-team meet last Friday with 33.350 points.**

Price, who finished 12th in the all-around competition in the Chantilly meet with 33.3 points. "We all become best friends throughout the season, and you can just trust everyone on the team."

**WHILE THE** district tournament doesn't start until Feb. 6 and the region tournament on Feb. 12, Lake Braddock had a little taste of the area's best on Friday night at Chantilly. With 38.950 points, Herndon's Maria Hayden took the all-around title, as was expected.

But Lake Braddock, despite having to wait more than 45 minutes for its final event — the balance beam — received strong performances from Parillo, Liberatore and Price. Mary Gnozzio (15th, 31.950) and Chelsea Stanger (22nd, 24.375) also helped the team's point total.

In the next few weeks, Lake Braddock has a quad meet with Centreville, Westfield and Annandale on Jan. 14 and another with Jefferson, Annandale Edison and West Springfield on Jan. 22.

If the Bruins are to make a run at a 10th state title or even the team's first region crown since 2006, it may come during the final season that Fairfax County recognizes gymnastics as a high school sport.

"We go every day like it's our last and do our very best," Hagan-Bowerman said. "Our goal this year is to make it as fun as possible, knowing that this might be it."

"Coach always reminds us that you practice how you perform," Parillo said. "So we're always in the mindset that we have to do well and this could be our last season, so we want to make sure that we go out with a bang."

## WEEK IN SPORTS

### Dale Makes Budget Proposal

With little surprise or fanfare, Fairfax County schools superintendent Jack D. Dale last week made public his budget drafted for the fiscal year 2009-10, cutting funding for girls gymnastics but not indoor track and field.

Both sports had been under scrutiny since a proposal was unveiled back in November that featured three best-to-worst-case scenarios. Gymnastics appeared all three, indoor track and field only on the most severe.

"The logic remains the same," Dale said of the choice to cut gymnastics. According to both Dale and Fairfax County director of student activities Bill Curran, around 125 girls compete and the two cited the sport's availability at the club level as another reason for the measure.

One thing that hasn't remained the same is the school district's budget shortfall.

It was originally expected to be around \$170 million, but if the Board of Supervisors denies a 3.5 percent funding increase that Dale asked for with his latest budget, the shortfall could trigger that most severe case in which indoor track and field is also cut.

"It is entirely dependent on what the Board of Supervisors gives us," Dale said. "If there is no additional money, we will face a \$215 million shortfall."

### Bruins Swimmers on the Move

The Lake Braddock boys and girls swim and dive teams posted a series of state- and regional-qualifying times when they notched a pair of wins over Annandale last Friday. The boys won by a score of 161-154, while the girls earned a 192-122 win. Lake Braddock made seven regional and three state cuts during the meet. John McKenzie (200-yard freestyle), Tyler Ogren (200 individual medley), Christina McGarry (200 IM), Sarah Lynch (50 and 100 free) and Jordan Parry (100 fly) all made regional cuts, while Ogren and Alessandra Troncoso made states in the 100 breaststroke. Lynch, Ana Franzluebbers, Jordan Parry and sister Taylor Parry qualified for regionals in the 400 freestyle relay, while the 200 medley relay team, comprised of McGarry, Troncoso, Jordan Parry and Lynch, also qualified for states.

### WSLL Registration

West Springfield Little League will conduct registration for its 2009 season on Saturday, Jan. 24, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., at Washington Irving Middle School, which is located at 8100 Old Keene Mill Road in Springfield. WSL's boundaries cover parts of West Springfield, Burke and Fairfax Station with the league open to all boys and girls ages 5-12.

### Fairfax Adult Softball Signup

Fairfax Adult Softball (FAS) is currently accepting applications for adult softball teams. Men's, women's, co-ed, corporate co-ed, senior's (age 50+), and master's (age 35+) leagues are available. Applications are accessible via the FAS home page at [www.fairfaxadultsoftball.com](http://www.fairfaxadultsoftball.com). For further information, please call 703-815-9007 or e-mail [office@fairfaxadultsoftball.com](mailto:office@fairfaxadultsoftball.com). FAS is a non-profit corporation registered in the state of Virginia which administers the largest adult softball program in the state with nearly 10,000 participants.

### Panthers Face Stiff Competition

Despite strong efforts all around, the Paul VI wrestling team recently lost two close matches again regionally-ranked teams. Last week, the Panthers held a 27-23 lead over DeMatha going into the last match, but a DeMatha wrestler earned the pin and six team points for a 29-27 win. The Panthers also faced Woodberry Forest, one of Virginia's top wrestling programs. Again the Panthers led entering into the final match, 34-33, but Woodberry Forest secured three points for a 36-34 victory. In other action this season, the team has secured victories over McNamara (57-16), Norfolk Academy (48-24) and Episcopal (37-27).

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**New Women's Bible Study** meets at Jubilee Christian Center on Tuesdays, 9:45 a.m.-12 p.m. The study will focus on "Spirit, Soul, and Body" by Andrew Wommack. \$10 per person. Nursery provided for registered children. 703-383-1170 or [www.jccag.org](http://www.jccag.org).

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**Life with Cancer** has a variety of support programs for cancer patients and their families at the Cancer Family Center, 2700 Prosperity Ave., Fairfax. 703-776-2841 or [www.lifewithcancer.org](http://www.lifewithcancer.org).

**The Clifton Presbyterian Church has a Caregiver Support Group** that meets the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the church, 12748 Richards Lane, Clifton. This group is for caregivers of seniors with Alzheimer's, dementia, and other age-related problems. 703-830-9175 ext. 17.

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Register for weekday and weekend **Lamaze childbirth** classes in Springfield at [www.lamaze-dc.com](http://www.lamaze-dc.com) or by calling 703-549-2226.

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**TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE IMPROVED REAL ESTATE**  
Improved by the premises known as  
3841 Gallows Road, Annandale, Virginia  
In execution of a Deed of Trust from Arnulfo Valles Gal-damez, dated October 17, 2007, and recorded November 21, 2007, in Deed Book 19668 at page 1477 among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia, the undersigned substitute trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front entrance of the Judicial Center for Fairfax County, at 4110 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, Virginia, on

**Tuesday, January 20, 2009 at 9:30 a.m.**  
the following property being the property contained in said Deed of Trust, described as follows:  
Lot 1, Section 1, Lucius Addition to Kenwood as the same appears duly dedicated, platted and recorded in Deed Book 2152 at page 490, among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia.

Commonly known as 3841 Gallows Road, Annandale, Virginia 22003.  
**TERMS OF SALE:** A deposit of \$40,000.00 or ten percent (10%) of the sale price, whichever amount is less, in the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser at the time and place of sale; the balance of the purchase money being due and payable within fifteen (15) days after sale, time expressly being of the essence, with interest at the rate of 6.375 percent per annum from date of sale to date of settlement. Provided, however, that if the holder of the secured promissory note is the successful bidder at the sale, no cash deposit shall be required, and part of or the entire indebtedness, including interest and costs, secured by the Deed of Trust, may be set off against the purchase price.

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

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**TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE IMPROVED REAL ESTATE**  
Improved by the premises known as  
5380 Laura Belle Lane, Fairfax, Virginia  
In execution of a Deed of Trust from Staci Pinkett and Barbara S. Pinkett, dated May 3, 2006, and recorded June 19, 2006, in Deed Book 18542 at page 696 among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia, the undersigned substitute trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front entrance of the Judicial Center for Fairfax County, at 4110 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, Virginia, on

**Tuesday, January 27, 2009 at 11:00 a.m.**  
the following property being the property contained in said Deed of Trust, described as follows:

Lot 23, Goins Manor, as the same appears duly dedicated, platted and recorded in Deed Book 5753 at page 779, among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia.

Commonly known as 5380 Laura Belle Lane, Fairfax, Virginia 22032.

**TERMS OF SALE:** A deposit of \$17,000.00 or ten percent (10%) of the sale price, whichever amount is less, in the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser at the time and place of sale; the balance of the purchase money being due and payable within fifteen (15) days after sale, time expressly being of the essence, with interest at the rate of 6.75 percent per annum from date of sale to date of settlement. Provided, however, that if the holder of the secured promissory note is the successful bidder at the sale, no cash deposit shall be required, and part of or the entire indebtedness, including interest and costs, secured by the Deed of Trust, may be set off against the purchase price.

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This sale is being made subject to two superior trusts.

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In execution of a Deed of Trust from Khamphiou Thay and Chaysrun Thay, dated June 22, 2006, and recorded June 26, 2006, in Deed Book 18559 at page 2187 among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia, the undersigned substitute trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front entrance of the Judicial Center for Fairfax County, at 4110 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, Virginia, on

**Tuesday, January 20, 2009 at 9:30 a.m.**

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Unit 07-101, Fairfax Ridge Condominium

Tax Map No. 056-2-27-07-0101

Commonly known as 11350 Aristotle Drive #101, Fairfax, Virginia 22030.

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**TRUSTEE'S SALE  
OF VALUABLE  
IMPROVED REAL ESTATE**

Improved by the premises known as  
5655 Chelmsford Court, Burke, Virginia

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Ryan M. Rafferty and Hoai-Thanh T. Le, dated March 25, 2005, and recorded April 7, 2005, in Deed Book 17153 at page 1369 among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia, the undersigned substitute trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front entrance of the Judicial Center for Fairfax County, at 4110 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, Virginia, on

**Tuesday, January 27, 2009 at 11:00 a.m.**

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

Lot 87, Section 2, Crownleigh, as the same appears duly dedicated, platted and recorded in Deed Book 5661 at page 662, among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia.

Commonly known as 5655 Chelmsford Court, Burke, Virginia 22015.

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**Dixie Lee Jones, age 62**, of Fairfax, Virginia passed away January 1, 2009 at her sister Deanna LaBoe's home in S. Rockwood, MI., she had been in declining health. Dixie was born on February 6, 1946 in Beverly, W.VA. to Don and Lenora (Lane) Apperson, she had spent her childhood years with her grandparents Avon and Virginia Apperson. Dixie attended Mt Hebron Grade School. Dixie is survived by her sons Trevor and Keith Jones, daughter Manessa Navarrette, brothers: Steven Guy, Dempsey, Joe, John and Jaycee Apperson, sisters: Deanna Labo, Donna Miller, Sharon Guy, Evie burch, Susan Vaughn, Ada Talbot, Sherry Rizzo and Miriam Wren, grandchildren Mariel "Aimee", Jonathan, Christopher and Winter, stepfather Frances Guy, stepmother Mary Apperson. She was preceded in death by parents, brother Edward Apperson and a sister Amber Oliver. Visitation will be Friday January 16, 2009 at the Stemple & Forman Funeral Home 385 South Main St. P.O.Box 280 Phillippi, W.VA 26416 (304 457 2900), where services will be held Saturday January 17, 2009 at 11 a.m., interment Mt Vernon Memorial Cemetery.

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