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A black and white photograph of a woman with short dark hair, wearing a dark blue dress with sequins, singing into a handheld microphone. She is looking upwards and to her right with a smile. In the background, there are other people, some of whom are holding sheet music. The setting appears to be a stage or rehearsal room.

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Beverly Cosham, pictured in the recent Musical Tribute to Bob Simon concert in Reston, will perform at CenterStage this Saturday, March 28.

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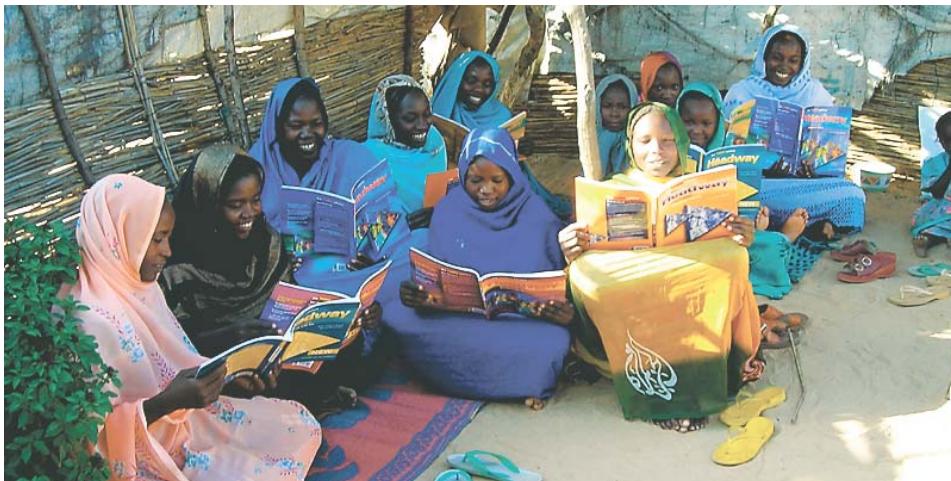


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**A women's English class meeting in a refugee's home in Treguine Refugee Camp, eastern Chad, using the Headway (Oxford University Press) curriculum Book Wish provided with donations from the public. About 300 of the 1,200 English students meet in homes like this.**

## 'Book Wish' Granted

**Reston mother, son provide books to Sudanese refugees.**

By ZOE GANDEE  
THE CONNECTION

**O**n Sept. 22, 2007, Lorraine and Logan Kleinwaks read a news paper article that changed their lives forever. The article addressed the shortage of reading material in the Sudanese refugee camps of Chad from the perspective of Azhari Ali, a Sudanese refugee. He longed for reading material — books, magazines and newspapers — that would connect him to the outside world.

Voracious readers themselves, the Reston residents understood this need. "There was just this feeling of 'We can do this,'" said Lorraine Kleinwaks about their decision to found Book Wish Foundation in October 2007, a nonprofit organization whose mission is "reading relief for people in crisis."

**BOOK WISH** Foundation operates out of mother and son Lorraine and Logan Kleinwaks' Reston home. With Logan Kleinwaks as president and Lorraine Kleinwaks as vice president, the foundation provides comprehensive reading support to populations whose education has been affected by violent crisis. The U.N. reports that Chad has the third worst literacy rates in the world and the worst literacy rates for women. To understand this challenge, Logan and Lorraine Kleinwaks spent months researching the best way to assist refugees in their education.



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refugee camps. In addition, Book Wish and its partner, CORD, extend their aid to the Chadian villages nearby, an additional 20,000 people.

"It's not just about education, it's about mental health," said Logan Kleinwaks. "People take comfort from books. ... We're giving them some hope."

Lorraine Kleinwaks, who also volunteers at Reston Regional Library, reflected on one of her proudest moments that occurred after the refugees had begun their study. "Our partner on the ground couldn't believe how much [the students] were smiling," she said, with a smile on her face.

To donate to Book Wish Foundation, visit <http://www.bookwish.org/>.

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**take to the Board?)**  
**A:** The citizens of Hunter Mill have been vocal on a variety of issues including those for and against the tax rate increase, funding the schools, cuts in human services, including mental health, substance abuse programs and support for those with intellectual disabilities and senior programs; affordable housing; transportation and public safety programs; and concern for the County workforce. My hope is that we can restore programs that link our schools, human services and public safety.

**Q: How will the federal stimulus plan affect the budget considerations (impact on the county and your district)?**

**A:** While the stimulus funding will provide some relief for the FY2010 Budget, these funds are largely one-time infusions that do not offer long term support for budgets beyond FY2010. The greatest benefit is likely to be seen in capital programs such as transportation, schools, housing and possible funding of public safety grants. It is likely that we won't have any certainty about the stimulus funding until after we adopt the budget in April.

**Q: As a county resident, what do you see as the single most worrisome budget item/issue?**  
**A:** Aside from ensuring that our most vulnerable neighbors can survive through this budget, the most troubling issue for me is that passing this budget isn't the end of our challenge. Next year's budget will be equally as challenging as we weather this economic crisis.

## Reston Preschool Teacher Receives National Award

Della Fischer, a preschool teacher at the Reston Children's Center, was selected to receive the Terri Lynne Lokoff/Children's TYLENOL National Child Care Teacher Award. Fischer was chosen for her commitment to maintaining high quality child care practices and dedication to the children she teaches. She will receive a \$1,000 award Wednesday, April 1 at a special ceremony in King of Prussia, Pa., located in the Philadelphia metropolitan area.

Each year, child care teachers from across the nation participate in the program. As part of the application process, applicants design an enhancement project that illustrates the educational, social and emotional benefits for the children in their care. With her award-

winning project "Kids Going Green," Fischer will teach the children about recycling. They will visit local recycling plants, learn the importance of water, soil, air, insects and plants.

A committee of 45 early childhood educators and experts from the United States reviewed and scored each application. When the scoring was complete, the top 50 applicants, representing 21 states, and one from a U.S. Military Base in the United Kingdom were named recipients. Each recipient will receive a \$1,000 award; \$500 to implement his or her proposed project and \$500 to acknowledge their dedication to their chosen profession. They will also receive a signature Silver Rose stickpin, courtesy of Bernie Robbins Fine Jewelry.

# OPINION

# For Elections You Can Believe In

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furthering their own education through adult education literacy or high school completion programs is much more likely to be a motivated learner. Parents involved in English as a second language classes can assist their own children's learning of English or is sometimes the case can be assisted by their own children in learning English.

The unique administrative structure of the FCPS program permits adult education to be an innovator for the school system in trying out new ideas and programs that could then if proven successful be transferred into the regular school operation. The before school-after school extended day care program, parent volunteer program, career education, parent edu-

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# NEWS

## Drunk Driver Kills Drunk Driver

BY KEN MOORE  
THE CONNECTION

**A**Fairfax Circuit Court jury convicted a drunk driver for killing another drunk driver who had caused a different accident on Route 7 moments before.

The jury convicted Gordon E. Brightly, 50 of Leesburg, of involuntary manslaughter and recommended last November that he serve three years in prison.

"I apologize deeply for what I have done," Brightly said Friday, March 20 in Fairfax County Circuit Court.

Brightly told Judge Michael P. McWeeny that he mourns the death of Anton Stefan Sjostrom, 27, of Reston.

"I'm haunted by the memories of that tragic night. He was a human being who didn't deserve to have his life shortened," Brightly said. "I have not got the answers, but I pray for him and his family, that the Lord will be by his side every day."

Judge Michael McWeeny sentenced Brightly, who has remained in jail since November 2007, to serve three years and remain on probation for three years after his release.

**ABOUT 20 MINUTES** past midnight on March 15, 2007, Sjostrom was standing outside his 2004 Toyota Camry on the right through lane of westbound Route 7 near the intersection of Georgetown Pike in Great Falls.

Sjostrom had rear-ended another vehicle and was inspecting the damage. He was waiting for police to arrive when Brightly, driving a white Dodge pickup truck

in the right lane, hit Sjostrom and Sjostrom's vehicle. Sjostrom died at the scene and Brightly was transported to Inova Fairfax Hospital.

Brightly initially refused to give a sample of his blood for testing. But when police explained they would obtain a search warrant to authorize the blood test, Brightly told officers, "Do what you have to do. I am [screwed] anyways."

Hours after the fatal accident, Brightly's blood alcohol content was tested to be .16, twice the legal limit to drive, prosecutor Faraji A. Rosenthal said during the trial.

Brightly's defense attorneys, public defenders Vernida Chaney and Robert Frank, argued that the two cars in the earlier crash were in the travel lane and Brightly had little opportunity to avoid the collision.

Sjostrom's blood alcohol content was .28, more than three times the legal limit for driving, said Chaney.

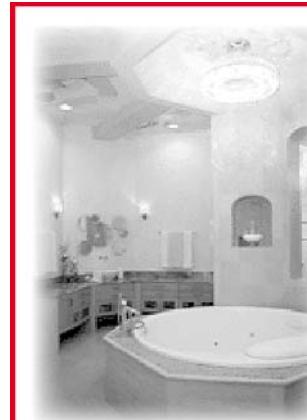
The medical examiner did not prepare an autopsy in the case, according to the defense attorneys.

Brightly was arrested for a second charge of driving under the influence in Loudoun County while on bond and awaiting trial, said Rosenthal.

**THAT NIGHT**, his wife who was battling breast cancer, asked him to move out, Brightly said. One of the stressors on his marriage was his upcoming criminal case.

"I felt sorry for myself and instead of doing the right thing," Brightly said he turned back to alcohol. "By the grace of God, I was observed at a gas station buying beer and soon after was pulled over.

"I have no excuses for my actions, but I know how wrong I have done," he said.



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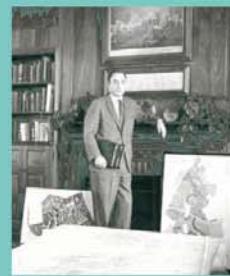
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## WEEK IN RESTON

### Serial Bank Robber Strikes Again

Fairfax County Robbery Detectives are asking for the public's help in identifying a serial bank robber. The most recent robbery occurred Monday, March 23 around 9:44 a.m. An employee of the United Bank, located at 13060 Fair Lakes Blvd., was working behind the counter when a man armed with a gun entered the bank, jumped the counter and demanded money. The suspect locked the bank employees inside a vault, took an undisclosed amount of cash and fled on foot. The victim, a 35-year-old Falls Church man, was not injured.

The suspect was described as black, about 30 years old. He was approximately 5 feet 5 inches to 5 feet 6 inches tall and 180 pounds. He wore a dark-colored hoodie, a mask, jeans and tennis shoes.

Robbery detectives believe this suspect is involved in several other robberies that have occurred since November 2008, most of which took place in Reston. Detectives ask anyone with information to contact Crime Solvers by phone at 1-866-411-TIPS(8477), e-mail at [www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org](http://www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org) or text "TIP187" plus your message to CRIMES(274637) or call Fairfax County Police at 703-691-2131.

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### Reston Association Weed Warriors Project

Invasive species present one of the greatest threats to the health and biodiversity of area parklands. With the help of volunteers, Reston Association will manually remove non-native vines and shrubs on Saturday, March 28, 10 a.m.-12 noon at Brown's Chapel Baseball Fields.

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### Fairfax County Park Authority Public Comment Meetings

The Fairfax County Park Authority will hold three public comment meetings to solicit input on draft master plan Amendments. These master plan amendments generally incorporate the addition of athletic field lights at these locations. Contact information and meeting times are listed below:

**Draft master plan amendment for J.E.B. Stuart Park** located at 3312 Peace Valley Lane, in Falls Church, VA. The meeting will be held on Thursday, April 2, 2009, at 7 p.m., in the Baileys Elementary School cafeteria, located at 6111 Knollwood Drive, in Falls Church.

The draft master plan amendment proposes to add lights to the softball field and is available for review on the Park Authority website at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/plandev/jebstuart.htm> or from the Fairfax County Park Authority at the Herrity Building, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Suite 406 in Fairfax during regular business hours.

**Draft master plan amendment for Oak Marr Park** located at 2300 Jermantown Road in Oakton, VA. The meeting will be held on Thursday, April 16, 2009 at 7 p.m. at the Oakton Community Library, room 1 and 2. The library is located at 10304 Lynnhaven Place, in Oakton.

The draft master plan amendment proposes to add lights to the rectangular fields and miniature golf and is available for review at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/plandev/oakmarr.htm> or can be reviewed at the Herrity Building, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Suite 406, Fairfax during regular business hours.

**Draft master plan amendment for Stratton Woods Park**, located on Fox Mill Road in Reston, VA. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 28, 2009 at 7 p.m. at Hunter Woods Elementary School in the cafeteria. The school is located at 3200 Jermantown Road, in Oakton.

The draft master plan amendment proposes to add lights to the 90' diamond field and replace the sand volleyball court with a lit outdoor handball/racquetball court and is available for review on the Park Authority website at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/plandev/stratton.htm> or from the Fairfax County Park Authority at the Herrity Building, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Suite 406 in Fairfax during regular business hours.

Anyone wishing to speak at any of these meetings is asked to contact the Public Information Office at 703-324-8662 or via e-mail at [parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov). Speakers may also sign up at the meeting.

#### LIGHTING DEMONSTRATIONS SCHEDULED

Lighting is being considered to expand field capacity in response to the community's needs for increased field use. In order to demonstrate the precision and limited light spill of new lighting systems currently in use, three field lighting demonstrations will be held. The public may attend any of these demonstrations scheduled from 8 until 9:30 p.m. as follows:

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Park Authority staff will be available to answer questions at these informal demonstrations. For more information, contact the Park Authority Public Information Office at 703-324-8662.



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## Teen Ensemble Breaks New Ground

**In Reston, Herndon shows, teens share perspectives on real life issues.**

Fifteen area teenagers will perform in an ensemble combining acting, writing and dance in a performance March 29 at the JoAnn Rose Gallery at Lake Anne in Reston. A second performance is scheduled for April 19 at ArtSpace in Herndon. The performance will also air at a later date on Channel 10 – Fairfax Public Access. Sponsored by the Reston Community Players (RCP), the performance culminates months of a teen acting class based on issues and events relevant to the members of the class. Working as an ensemble, the group of 12 to 15-year-olds, has worked since November 2008 to bring their personal writings, monologues, dialogues and creative movements into a story collage. The group also plans to bring this performance to local schools and present it to their peers as part of an educational assembly.

"This performance represents a new paradigm in teen acting and

theater," said Haley Murphy, ensemble director. "It tells their story in their own words, through a combination of original writing, acting and movement."

Working with choreographer Heide Zufall, Murphy and the performers used a creative process of combining the disciplines of theater and dance, using the techniques of improvisation, theater games and movement exploration. Material developed by the teen actors was created and used as the basis for the production. Murphy and Zufall provided the framework and direction to produce a unique performance voicing current teen's thoughts.

"Themes such as social pressure, self-esteem, conflicts, fears, media and political influences, stress, were some of the issues addressed," said Zufall. "Working as an ensemble, the teens felt comfortable to express their very personal thoughts through this unique creative process."

## Restonian Performs at CenterStage

Reston resident Beverly Cosham will perform at CenterStage this Saturday, March 28 as part of the year-long Professional Touring Artist Reunion Series celebrating the Reston Community Center's 30th anniversary.

Cosham, who has long aspired to be the female counterpart to Johnny Mathis, will perform songs from her latest album, "How Do You Keep the Music Playing?" such as "At Last" by Johnny Mercer and Barry Manilow and "The Way He

Makes Me Feel" by Alan and Marilyn Bergman and Michel Legrand. She will be accompanied by piano, cello, violin, bass and woodwinds.

She has recorded four albums and has been nominated for numerous awards, including the Helen Hayes Award and the Washington Area Music Award.

Cosham is also a member of the Reston Chorale and the Reston Community Center Board of Governors. She was a founding member of the Reston Community Play-

ers and the Reston Chorale, and she has served on the advisory board for the Fairfax Council for the Arts as well as boards and committees related to the Lorton Arts Foundation.

To learn more about Beverly Cosham, visit [www.beverlyc.com](http://www.beverlyc.com). To buy tickets, call the CenterStage box office at 703-476-4500. Box office hours are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, from 4-9 p.m., Saturday, from 1-5 p.m. and two hours prior to curtain times. The venue is at 2310 Colts Neck Road.

## CALENDAR

Send announcements to [reston@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:reston@connectionnewspapers.com) or call 703-917-6437. Deadline is Thursday for the following week's paper. Photos/artwork encouraged. For additional listings, visit [www.connectionnewspapers.com](http://www.connectionnewspapers.com).

### WEDNESDAY/MARCH 25

**Anatomical Illustration.** 7-10 p.m., Sunset Hills Montessori, 11180 Ridge Heights Road, Reston. The Chez Nous Reston Evening Salon Series continues with a presentation entitled "Anatomical Illustration: from DaVinci to PC" by Marie Dauenheimer, medical illustrator and art professor. \$30/person; includes buffet. E-mail [Najwa@NMSEnterprises.com](mailto:Najwa@NMSEnterprises.com) or call 571-235-3556.

### THURSDAY/MARCH 26

**International Children's Festival Auditions.** 5-9 p.m., CenterStage, Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. The International Children's Festival and the Reston Multicultural Festival will jointly host auditions for local performing arts groups of all ages



**Wayne Taylor & Appaloosa** will perform live as part of the "Weekend Bluegrass Concert Series" Friday, April 3, 8 p.m., at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1090 Sterling Road, Herndon. Tickets: \$12/person. Call 703-435-8377 or visit [www.waynetaylorandappaloosa.com](http://www.waynetaylorandappaloosa.com).

### FRIDAY/MARCH 27

**Campfire Fun.** 4-5:30 p.m., Campfire Ring on Soapstone Drive between Glade Drive and Lawyers Road, Reston. Join Reston Association for an afternoon around the campfire, singing old time favorites, roasting weenies and making s'mores. For adults 55 and older. Call 703-435-6577 or e-mail [sfridy@artsfairfax.org](mailto:sfridy@artsfairfax.org) for directions and to register.

**Falsettos.** 8 p.m., Industrial Strength Theater, 269 Sunset Park Drive, Herndon. The Elden Street Players will perform the Tony Award-winning musical "Falsettos." Visit [www.EldenStreetPlayers.com](http://www.EldenStreetPlayers.com) or call 703-481-5930 for tickets.

**SingStrong.** 8 p.m., South Lakes High School, 11400 South Lakes Drive, Reston. Day one of the three-day SingStrong festival kicks off with "A cappella Idol." Music groups will compete in an "American Idol" format for \$1,000. Tickets: \$10. Visit [www.SingStrong.com](http://www.SingStrong.com).

### SATURDAY/MARCH 28

**Spaghetti Dinner.** 5:30-7:30 p.m., St. Thomas à Becket Catholic Church, 1421 Wiehle Ave., Reston. The church's 15th annual Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction will be held. The proceeds will benefit the Senior High School WorkCampers on their weeklong mission this summer to repair homes for the poor, elderly and handicapped residents of Winchester. Tickets: \$10/adults, \$5/children 4-12, free for ages 3 and under.

**Watershed Clean-Up.** 9-11:30 a.m., Frying Pan Farm Park, 2709 W. Ox Road, Herndon. Join individuals, students, families, scouts and other community groups to collect tires, bedsprings, bottles, cans and other debris from local waterways. Wear boots and old clothes and bring



### 'Something Different' in Herndon

The Elden Street Players Theater for Young Audiences presents "Something Different 2009" at the Industrial Strength Theater, 269 Sunset Park Drive, Herndon.

"Something Different 2009" will bring to life fairytales and folklore from around the world, Saturday, March 28 and April 4 at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., Sunday, March 29 and April 5 at 2 p.m. Tickets: \$7. Go to [www.eldenstreetplayers.org](http://www.eldenstreetplayers.org) or call 703-481-5930, box 3 for tickets.



**"Just Friends,"** a five-piece combo that features two flutists, guitar, string bass and percussion will perform American popular music from the 1920s through the 1950s Friday, March 27, 1 p.m. at the Herndon Senior Center, 873 Grace St., Herndon. Call 703-464-6200.

gloves. Trash bags and appreciation will be provided. Call 703-324-8702 to make a reservation.

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**SingStrong.** 10 a.m., South Lakes High School, 11400 South Lakes Drive, Reston. On day two of the three-day festival, SingStrong will present more than 20 master classes on such topics as producing a CD, starting an a cappella group, beat boxing, copyright law and musical arranging. Tickets: \$10. Visit [www.SingStrong.com](http://www.SingStrong.com).

#### SUNDAY/MARCH 29

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## Four Days of Song at South Lakes

SingStrong, the annual, three-day, international a cappella event, returns March 27-29 to South Lakes High School with more than 100 a cappella singers from the United States, Germany and Denmark. All profits will go to the Alzheimer's Association.

The marathon begins Friday, at 8 p.m., with "A Cappella Idol," a winner-take-all competition in which the audience votes on the victor. The Saturday night concert, also at 8 p.m., is the main event, a sampling of some of the world's top a cappella groups. Discount matinee concerts will also be performed Saturday and Sunday at 2 p.m. On both weekend days, beginning at 10 a.m., more than 20 master classes will be presented on topics from producing a CD to beatboxing to copyright law.

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**"Lost & Found."** Unitarian Universalist Church, 1625 Wiehle Ave., Reston. Artist Anita Bucsay

A cappella singers use only their voices, not only to harmonize but also to imitate a variety of instruments, such as trumpets, electric guitars and drums.

Tickets range from \$10 to \$25, and package deals are also available. For tickets, the concert lineup and other information, visit [www.singstrong.org](http://www.singstrong.org).

Then, Monday, at 7 p.m., the South Lakes theater program will perform an evening of classical and contemporary Broadway songs. The performance is to raise money and awareness for the Make-A-Wish Foundation of the Mid-Atlantic Inc.

Tickets for the Broadway Gives Back Cabaret can be purchased at the door for \$10 or at [www.sltheatrearts.com](http://www.sltheatrearts.com) for \$8.

All events are at South Lakes High School, 11400 South Lakes Drive.

Damron's paintings and mosaics will on display in the exhibition entitled "Lost & Found." The exhibit can be viewed during times the church is open, but call the church office at 703-742-7992 to check which specific times the exhibit can be viewed, as other functions are taking place concurrently.

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## OPINION

# In a Troubled Economy, Buy Local

BY JOHN LOVAAS  
CIVIC LEADER AND RESTON  
IMPACT PRODUCER/HOST

**T**hese are indeed difficult times. The legacy of George Bush has left not just the American financial sector but the global financial system in ruins. The excesses of greed grown to fraud become more apparent each day. Our economy continues its tailspin while we wait for President Obama's policy initiatives to restart the engine. And, while some say that we in Metro Washington live in a recession-proof zone because of our proximity to the federal government, it certainly doesn't feel that way, does it?

Besides hunkering down, hiding what remains of our savings and rooting for both legal action against those responsible and recovery, what can one do?

Actually, here's one thing I've heard suggested that seems to make sense and something that might help restore our confidence, too. Buy local. That is, support locally-owned business right here in

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A recent study showed that if you spend \$100 of your money buying local, on average \$73 remains in the community, while only \$27 leaves. When you buy from non-local business, there is a dramatic difference — of your \$100 only about \$43 stays, while \$57 leaves. Think about it — local businesses tend to buy from other local businesses, tend to hire people from the community and maybe pay them a bit better than the chains. Local businesses tend to support area non-profits and charities more than the distant corporations, again contributing more to community well being. Even the environment benefits from shopping locally — local businesses tend to buy more locally, requiring less transportation, less pollution and less sprawl. Local businesses bring competition, character and diversity to market

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needs that may never materialize?

Although the current buyers' market is tempting, let's not forget what's generating all of these bargains. Foreclosures are up, bankruptcies are up, unemployment is up, the stock market is down and our national economy is being increasingly compared to the Great Depression. In Reston, a slow housing market means a reduction in the transfer tax of \$250 per sale that is received by RA as income. Foreclosures often mean a delay in receiving dues or the need to litigate, and bankruptcies mean unpaid dues, circumstances that president Smyers says increased this year's RA assessments by \$8 per homeowner. Although RA is convinced that it's better to own than to lease, isn't it also a risky time to take on the burden of a big mortgage when homeowners are defaulting at record rates? With the many "For Lease" signs throughout Reston, isn't it also a wonderful time to negotiate a long lease with favorable terms?

Has the RA Board taken a good look not only at their own circumstances but at those of their members? We have friends in Reston who have seen half the value of their homes disappear in the last year, lost much of their retirement savings in the market downturn

and been unemployed at that near-retirement age which may mean they are never employed again in a position comparable to that which they last held. These are tough times to be asking for \$15 million and risky times to be taking on a long-term commitment. Whether buying or continuing to lease, we implore RA to be mindful of the unpredictable nature of the current economic climate and recognize that it could be a long time before it gets better.

**Rob & Cathy Frye**  
Reston

### RA Has Not Made Its Case

To the Editor:

I am amazed that Robin Smyers, in her letter this week, describes the amount of space needed for a new RA Headquarters as a "tangential issue." She posted a Q&A on the Headquarters Referendum to the RA Web site, and her answer to the very first question is that the RA needs more money because it needs more space than it currently has. Thus, the amount of space needed is obviously a central issue, not a tangential issue, and I don't think the RA has made a good case for more space. I encourage everyone to examine the excellent space analysis and cri-

offerings, unlike the chains. I also believe that we get better customer service from businesses that are run by neighbors and I am certain there is a public good in returning control to the community and away from distant, uncaring corporate board rooms.

In many business categories it is amazing what choices we have just among locally-owned businesses. Check it out in that great directory, A "Town" Called Reston. In the category of restaurants, for example, I found the following selection of locally-owned restaurants: Ariake, Café Montmartre, Cafesano, China Star, Deli on the Square, El Manantial, Jasmine Café, Lake Anne Coffee House, Lakeside Inn, Mama Wok, Mykonos, Pho Reston 75, Pica Deli, Reston Kabob, Sophia's, Suzy Deli and The American Tap Room. And, this list is by no means complete. For example, it certainly leaves out some newer ones. The next time you're going out to eat, why not do yourself, the community and even the environment a favor? Buy local!

tique of the RA's claims on the ARCH Web site, [www.restonarch.org](http://www.restonarch.org).

The Association claims to have priced local office buildings, but have they taken the precarious state of the commercial real estate market into account? Many analysts consider that commercial real estate is the next bubble that will burst. Vacancy rates in Fairfax County are increasing, the price trend is downward, and there is no reason to believe the market has bottomed out. This is not 2005 any more, so why is the RA Board in a desperate panic to spend three times as much money as it was in 2005? The prudent course is to continue to lease until the market has clearly stabilized. If the RA is determined to buy, let them live within the \$5 million budget approved in 2005. It shows spectacularly poor taste to demand vast new sums to build a gigantic palace when the country has just entered a severe recession.

**James Perry**  
Reston

### Board's Audacity Is an Affront

To the Editor:

How can the Reston Association continue to ask the community to

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# SPORTS

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**The South Lakes High boys' track team recently completed its winter indoor season. The Seahawks captured both Liberty District and Northern Region titles. Now, South Lakes is competing in the outdoor spring season. This Friday and Saturday, the Seahawks will participate at the Scudieri Invitational at West Potomac High School.**

## SPORTS ROUNDUPS

Going into the current **Northern Region high school baseball season**, the region coaches put together a pre-season Top 10 Baseball Poll. The following are the results of that poll: 1) West Springfield, 2) Lake Braddock, 3) Chantilly, 4) Stone Bridge, 5) McLean, 6) Madison, 7) South County, 8) Robinson, 9) Westfield, 10) Langley. Other teams to receive votes were Oakton, Yorktown, Centreville, Woodson, Marshall and Washington and Lee.

**South Lakes High School** is looking to fill the following coaching vacancies: varsity field hockey coach and dance team coach. All interested applicants may send their resumes to Linda.Jones@fcps.edu or fax them to her at 703-715-4688.

**The Reston Masters Swim Team** will be hosting an Open Water Swim Clinic, along with 1- and 2-mile swims, at Lake Audubon in Reston. The clinic will be Saturday, May 23 at 9 a.m. Check-in for the 1- and 2-mile races on Sunday, May 24, will begin at 6 a.m. The 1-mile race will start at 8 a.m., and the 2-mile race will begin at 9:30 a.m. The entry closing dates are May 1 for both races, and May 23 for the clinic. To obtain registration information, visit [www.restonmasters.org](http://www.restonmasters.org), or e-mail the registrar at [lynhzwld@usms.org](mailto:lynhzwld@usms.org).

**The Herndon High boys' soccer team** opened up the new season with a 3-0 home win over Marshall on March 11. Anatole Doak and Christian McLaughlin, stars from last year's outstanding Hornets' team, are playing the sport at college this year. But their younger brothers, junior Emile Doak and freshmen Patrick McLaughlin, are on this year's Herndon squad and hope-

ing to make their own name for the black and red.

Herndon newcomers Chris Czerinski, EK Korvah, Raleigh McKenzie and Jason Webster all had a positive influence in the win over Marshall. In the game, a combination of going into a strong head wind, having young and inexperienced personnel going through first contest jitters, and the fact that the Hornets had not played any prior scrimmage games, got the best of Herndon in a scoreless first half. Herndon, for the most part, played well in that first half, with good combination play, good possession of the ball and some decent shots. But the locals could not get onto the scoreboard.

The second half was a different story. Doak (one assist) sent in a well-placed corner kick to McKenzie (one goal), who nodded an easy header into the near post to give Herndon a 1-0 lead. Newly hired assistant coach Chris Naquin, a former four-year starter at both Herndon and James Madison University, had designed the play that resulted in the opening score a few days before.

Strikers EK Korvah (one assist) and Uwem Etuk (one goal), who worked well together all night, made it 2-0 with nifty combination play and a nice left finish.

The goal of the match, however, came from Chris Czerinski with about seven minutes left to play. On the score, he nailed a rebounded ball with his left foot from 30 yards out. "That was one of the best goals I have ever seen," said Naquin.

Katie Rynex, a 2008 graduate of Herndon High School, is a freshmen pitcher on the Ball State University (Muncie, Ind.) women's softball team this spring. Rynex's role for the Cardinals this season will be as a back-up

pitcher. Ball State, under head coach Craig Nicholson, is an NCAA Div. 1 member of the Mid-American Conference. Rynex, a right-hander who is wearing jersey No. 21 for the Cardinals, is coming off an outstanding high school playing career at Herndon, where she was a four-time letter-earner. She earned All-Concorde District accolades on three occasions and was a two-time All-Northern Region selection. Rynex was instrumental in helping the Hornets reach both the district and region tournament finals during her season year. That Herndon team, under coach Bonnie O'Hearn, qualified for the state AAA playoffs. Rynex, a marketing major at Ball State, is the daughter of Rick and Leslie Rynex.

**Oak Hill resident Jesse McCarrick**, a junior right-handed pitcher for the Colgate University (Madison County, N.Y.) women's softball team, pitched a six-hitter to lead Colgate (8-5) to a 2-1 win over Hartford in the Raiders' second game of the day at the Rebel Spring Games in Kissimmee, Fla. on March 17. Colgate won the first game of the day, 8-5, over Fairleigh-Dickinson. McCarrick improved her record to 3-0 on the season.

**The Oakton High crew team** renamed a recently purchased shell after its long time coach, Tom Bennett. Ceremonies for the occasion were conducted on a March Saturday at Sandy Run Regional Park. Coach Bennett has been with the team since its inception six years ago. He has coached every level of boys' and girls' rowers. His dedication and good sportsmanship have established a core foundation for the Oakton team.

**The Herndon Elite U-14 girls' soccer team** opened its spring season

## Saxons, Seahawks Mourn Teammate

### Josh Anderson remembered for his love of athletics.

**J**osh Anderson, who died last week, played within the Langley High football program in both his freshman and sophomore years. He transferred to South Lakes for his junior year and was a member of the Seahawks' varsity football squad as an inside linebacker on defense and a running back on offense last fall.

While at Langley, he was a member of the freshmen football squad during his ninth grade year. As a sophomore, he played for the Saxons' JV squad.

John Howerton, Langley's head varsity football coach, said Anderson was quiet and a good teammate.

"I think he had a lot of friends like most kids," said Howerton. "The kids all seemed to like him and are obviously upset [with his death]."

Howerton said Anderson was a good athlete and football player.

"He was a very instinctive kid as far as making plays," said Howerton, of Anderson's prowess on the field. "We used him

as an inside linebacker. He was one of the younger players we had plans for. I worked with him in the weight room and he was making good progress there."

"He loved athletics," said Howerton. "He was quiet and easy to coach and did what you told him."

Howerton said Anderson transferred to South Lakes for administrative reasons prior to his junior year. There, Anderson played for the Seahawks' varsity last fall under coach John Ellenberger. According to Howerton, Anderson made a good impression on Ellenberger.

"John Ellenberger had high praise for him," said Howerton.

Howerton, a longtime Northern Region head football coach who was at the helm of the West Potomac High program before coming to Langley several years ago, said it is always disheartening and shocking when one of his former players or students dies.

"That's always hard," he said. "Josh is at least my 10th kid [to die] since I've been teaching. It's hard to express anything."

Tiernan heading it into the goal for a 1-0 lead. It was the first goal scored on the Phoenix in the tourney. Ten minutes later, the Phoenix scored on a strike from outside the 18 yard line to the upper right corner of the net, making it 1-1 to end the half. The Phoenix went ahead, 2-1, on a corner kick. Within two minutes, however, the Elite tied the score as a ball was played up to Charlotte Ratcliff with her back to goal. She fought off the defender, turned and drilled it in for a 2-2 tie. With seven minutes left in the game, the Phoenix found an open net to make it 3-2. That proved to be the winning goal in a truly exciting championship match.

Coached by Paul Ellis, the Elite, a Division 1 member of the Washington Area Girls Soccer League (WAGS), is composed of girls from Fairfax and Loudoun counties. For more information about the Elite, visit [www.herndonyouthsoccer.org/travel/elite](http://www.herndonyouthsoccer.org/travel/elite).

**The U-17 Chantilly Electrics WAGS** Div. 1 girls' soccer team is looking for a goalkeeper and impact field players to join its team. Mark Corey, who brings over 16 years of coaching experience to the team, coaches the Electrics. If interested, contact Corey at 703-819-1052 or email him at [mcorey@cox.net](mailto:mcorey@cox.net).

# LETTERS

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support their headquarters referendum when:

❖ So many RA members have pointed out what seem to be numerous errors in the validity of the financial data RA submitted with their referendum ballot. How can we, therefore, be confident in the financial impacts on their Members that RA has projected?

❖ RA stated that the premise for having to hastily move forward with the referendum and the circumstance that preclude their considering a build option was that they needed to vacate their current headquarters space early next year. Bob Simon has now indicated that he has talked to RA's landlord and confirmed that is not true.

❖ RA indicated, in the materials that accompanied the ballot, that Repair and Replacement reserves may now be used as a source to fund their headquarters. This after significant increases in our assessments over past years to sustain what they said was our "Aging Asset Infrastructure." Now, to justify using R&R reserves to fund their new headquarters, RA states they can't determine whether their Repair and Replacement reserves are under funded or not.

❖ The RA Board President has stated that, even if the referendum fails because RA members have not given them the authority to purchase 35,000 square feet — almost twice the amount of space they asked for in their prior referendum — the RA Board, against the expressed will of the voter, still intends to move forward with the lease of 35,000 square feet. The RA Board doesn't need your approval to lease, only to buy or build.

❖ Finally, the real estate firm with which RA entered into an exclusive agreement to find their commercial space is the same firm telling them how much space they need, and RA admits the more space the firm sells RA the more money the firm gets paid. Talk about conflict of interest. Makes you wonder what came first: the space the real estate consultant is pushing or RA's stated requirement for space?

The audacity of the RA board is an affront to its members.

**Robert B. Riedel**  
Reston

## Write

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## Too Close for Comfort

By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Boy, am I glad I woke up this morning, for obvious reasons. For less than obvious reasons, I'm happy I woke up this morning because the dreams I was having (or shall I say, the dreams I am remembering) were just that, dreams and not real. The content of the three I remember were 1) my accountant and I were speaking on the phone (always scary). He was giving me dire medical news (not his specialty), advising that the continuing lack of a "mature" diet, on my part, combined with a non-fitness regimen had finally come home to roost. He didn't call me a chicken for not having wised up sooner and changed my eating habits, he simply said something — that I don't remember — which was eye-opening, almost literally.

The second dream I remember was almost worse, but not exactly. It had to do with work, Connection Newspaper work. Not a specific task or deadline, or anything to do with commuting to and from, rather it just had to do with being at work, Monday through Friday. It was when I woke up and realized that I didn't have to actually go to work BECAUSE IT WAS SUNDAY that I knew I had dreamt a nightmare instead.

The third piece of a dream that I recall had to do with my nearly 14-year old, golden retriever Bailey. In my dream/dream state, I heard a dog barking somewhere in the distance, as if he was lost, wailing a forlorn-type howl as if he knew he would never be found (at least that's what it felt like in my dream). In reality, Bailey had requested (and I use that term loosely) that he be let out earlier than usual, 5:22 a.m. instead of 6:30 a.m., approximately; early enough that after letting him out (unattended as usual; he has the run of the neighborhood so he doesn't require supervision), I went back upstairs to bed rather than sit and wait (sometimes up to an hour) for his random return. A return/routine he has followed without fail for his entire life so it was nothing I was worried about and absolutely nothing out of the ordinary. I figured that when he was good and ready to come back in the house, he would bark his intentions, as he has done hundreds of times before.

And so he did. That lost dog barking in my dream/nightmare was actually Bailey barking at the front door wanting to be let back in. So when I woke up thinking that it was a work day and a work day that began with some sobering medical news, along with the feeling that my dog (my son, if you will) was lost and barking his farewell (sort of) turned out instead to be something completely different and much less serious. It was not a work day, my accountant was not calling me (with or without medical news) and Bailey was not lost; he was simply standing outside the front door, snow-covered (under cover though on our porch) barking his normal sounds asking to be let back in.

Certainly I felt relief when I woke up and realized that all I was "nightmarizing" was merely a dream and not real at all. Still, it felt real so much so that I thought a column commenting on it was appropriate and possibly even therapeutic.

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In execution of a Deed of Trust from Manuel Reyes, dated April 15, 2005, and recorded April 19, 2005, in Deed Book 17189 at page 111 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

Monday, March 30, 2009 at 11:00 a.m.

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

Lot 50, Section 1, Four Seasons as the same appears duly dedicated, platted and recorded in Deed Book 3792 at page 463, among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia.

Commonly known as 1237 Summerfield Drive, Herndon, Virginia 20170.

**TERMS OF SALE:** A deposit of \$35,000.00 or ten percent (10%) of the sale price, whichever amount is less, in the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser at the time and place of sale; the balance of the purchase money being due and payable within fifteen (15) days after sale, time expressly being of the essence, with interest at the rate of 5.75 percent per annum from date of sale to date of settlement. Provided, however, that if the holder of the secured promissory note is the successful bidder at the sale, no cash deposit shall be required, and part of or the entire indebtedness, including interest and costs, secured by the Deed of Trust, may be set off against the purchase price.

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

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

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

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

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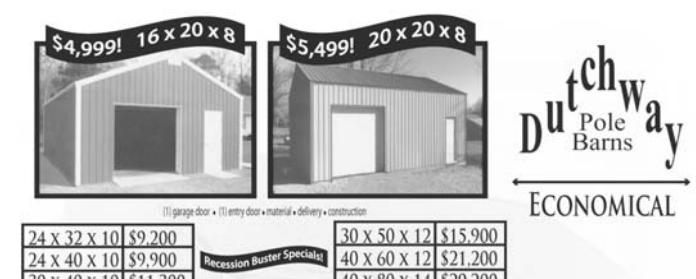
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703-471-5225.

**Trinity Presbyterian Church**, 651 Dranesville Road, Herndon, offers several worship opportunities this Easter season:

**April 5:** Palm Sunday services, 8:15 and 11 a.m.

**April 9:** Maundy Thursday Service of Holy Communion, 7:30 p.m.

**April 10:** Good Friday Vigil, 12:30 p.m.  
**April 12:** Easter Sunday Worship Services with Holy Communion, 8:45 and 11:00 a.m.; Easter Egg Hunt, 10 a.m.; Service of the Draping of the Cross, 7:30 p.m.

**Chabad of Reston-Herndon**, 2598 Viking Drive, Herndon, will host their Community Passover "Seder" Wednesday, **April 8** at 7:30 p.m. and on the second night Thursday, April 9 at 7:30 p.m. \$36/adults and \$18/children. Call 703-476-1829 or visit [www.chabadrh.org](http://www.chabadrh.org).

**Floris United Methodist Church**, 13600 Frying Pan Road, Herndon, is looking for people to sing in a choir. Floris UMC has a season of music including concerts featuring Schubert's "Mass in G Major", Handel's "Messiah" and much more. Rehearsal is every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. and singing most Sunday mornings at the 11 a.m. service. Contact Scott Glysson at [sglysson@florisumc.org](mailto:sglysson@florisumc.org) or call 703-793-0026.

**Congregation Beth Emeth Hazak Chapter**, 12523 Lawyers Road, Herndon, hosts prominent speakers and entertainers on the **third Tuesday of each month**, at 1 p.m. Free light refreshments are served. Call 703-860-4515, Ext. 127. The guest list is as follows:

**April 21:** Steven Gross, The Holocaust in Hungary

**May 19:** Speaker from Embassy of Israel

**June 16:** Year-end Luncheon

**Citizenship classes** meet Thursdays, **through March 26** at St. Anne's Episcopal Church, 1700 Wainwright Drive, Reston. The goal is to prepare qualified adult students to pass the USCIS interview and exam for naturalization to become U.S. citizens. Book fee of \$15.00. Call 703-437-6530.

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**Mothers First-Herndon/Reston** is a non-profit support organization helping women transition from careers to at-home motherhood. Meetings are held the **first and second Wednesdays** of each month at 10 a.m., at the Herndon Fortnightly Library, 768 Center St., Herndon. Contact 703-827-5922 or [www.mothersfirst.org](http://www.mothersfirst.org).

**Live acoustic music** will be performed **Mondays and Saturdays**, 9:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. at Uno Chicago Grill at Reston Town Center, 11900 Market St.

**The Reston Museum**, 1639 Washington Plaza, is open year round, Tuesdays-Sundays, 12:5 p.m. Call 703-709-7700 or visit [www.restonmuseum.org](http://www.restonmuseum.org)

**The Greater Reston Arts Center**, 12001 Market St., Suite 100, Reston, is open Tuesday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Visit [www.restonarts.org](http://www.restonarts.org).

**Belly dance performances** at La Kasbah Moroccan Restaurant, 11424 Washington Plaza, Reston, **every Wednesday**, 7:30 p.m., and **every Friday and Saturday**, 8 p.m. Call 703-707-0733 or visit [www.lakasbahrestaurant.com](http://www.lakasbahrestaurant.com).

**Run, jog or walk** with Body by Geoff, **every Saturday**, 8 a.m. Free. Meet at Body By Geoff, 1609 Washington Plaza, Reston. Call 703-464-5559.

**Live music at Lake Anne**: **every Saturday**, 6:30-9:30 p.m. at Jasmine Café, 1633 Washington Plaza, 703-471-9114; and every Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 9 p.m. at Tavern on the Lake, 1617

Washington Plaza, 703-471-0121.

**Chinese conversation**, 5-6 p.m., at the Reston Community Center Hunters Woods, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston, **every Sunday**. Call 571-225-7697.

**Latin movement classes** at Dance With Me Ballroom Dance Studio. No partner needed. Cuban motion, free style dancing and dance styling taught plus a fun exercise. Drop-in **every Sunday**, 2-3 p.m. Cost is \$20 per person. The studio is located at the border of Reston and Herndon at 251 Sunset Park Drive. Visit [www.dancewithme.net](http://www.dancewithme.net) or call 703-444-3061.

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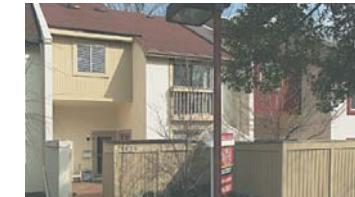
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