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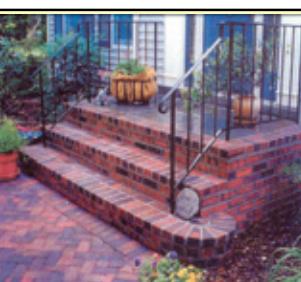
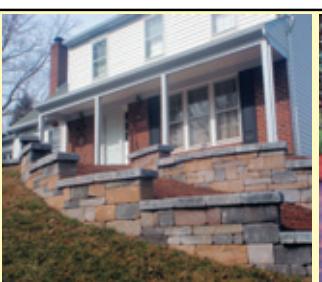
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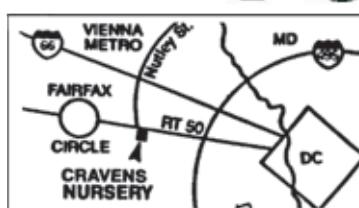
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'We've Become Like a Little Village'

Robinson Theater stages Broadway Classic 'Fiddler on the Roof.'

By BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

Tevey, Golde, Yente the Matchmaker — all these characters and many more comprising the heart and soul of "Fiddler on the Roof" will burst upon the stage in Robinson Secondary's rousing rendition of the famed play and musical.

Some 102 students are in the cast, crew and orchestra, and the school's Cappies show is April 30. They've been rehearsing since February and are striving to make it as authentic as possible.

"I brought in a rabbi to talk to our cast about [Jewish] traditions and things they'd do in their daily routine," said Assistant Director

Emily Nice, also in charge of research. "We learned what they'd do before eating and drinking, how the wedding scene would go

"It's a Jewish story, but also a very human story."

— Chip Rome, director

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The women in the village dance during the show's opening number, 'Tradition.'

Bulova Achieves Consensus on Budget

Supervisors vote unanimously to back chairman's spending proposal.

By JULIA O'DONOUGHE
THE CONNECTION

A year ago, Supervisors Patrick Herrity (R-Springfield) and Michael Frey (R-Sully) were so opposed the 2009 Fairfax County budget proposal backed by then-chairman Gerry Connolly (D-At-large) that they came up with an alternative plan.

The only two Republicans on the county board at the time, Herrity and Frey suggested scrapping the county's affordable housing preservation program. They wanted to lower how much the average homeowner paid in real estate taxes and allocate fewer dollars to Fairfax County Public Schools.

Herrity and Frey voted against the budget Connolly and other Democratic supervisors supported. The final budget vote tally was eight to two, along party lines.

"I think this budget package represents a good start to returning the county to fiscal responsibility."

— Supervisor Patrick Herrity (R-Springfield)

posal. They will take a final vote on the spending plan April 27.

"This may be one of the first times we have a possible unanimous vote on the board," said Supervisor Gerry Hyland (D), who has represented the Mount Vernon District for 21 years.

"I think this budget package represents a good start to returning the county to fiscal responsibility," said Herrity.

The budget could easily have split along party lines this year too.

Fairfax faced the largest budget shortfall it has seen in recent years. Bulova had

to close a \$650 million gap in the county's \$3.3 billion budget, approximately a 19 percent deficit.

"This was not an easy process. It was one of the most difficult budgets you have had to handle," Supervisor Jeff McKay (D-Lee) told Bulova.

Even though Democrats still hold the majority of the seats on the board, county Republicans gained momentum in recent months, giving the more conservative supervisors a confidence boost.

Bulova narrowly defeated Herrity in the



PHOTO BY JULIA O'DONOUGHE/THE CONNECTION

Fairfax County Chairman Sharon Bulova (D-At-large)

special election to replace Connolly as county chairman last February. Republican Supervisor John Cook won Bulova's open seat in the Braddock District last month.

"Never in my wildest dreams did I think I was going to get a unanimous vote on this budget," said Bulova.

REPUBLICAN SUPERVISORS said Bulova made concessions in the budget that made it easy for them to support.

"I don't go into the budget process looking for reasons to vote against it," said Frey.

The chairman proposed raising the real estate tax rate from 92 cents per \$100 of

assessed value to \$1.04 per \$100 of assessed value. But a 12 percent drop in housing values across the county overall means that most residents would see a slight decrease in their tax bills.

The Bulova budget also calls for cutting in half funding for the affordable housing preservation program and holding steady the amount of money given to the school system, two measures the Republicans supported last year.

"The previous chairman pretended to listen to me, but he never heard what I was saying," said Frey. "Sharon understood the issues that I raised. She clearly tried to take a balanced approach. She said right up front that everything was on the table."

The only dissent on the budget came from within Bulova's own political ranks.

Supervisors Hyland and Cathy Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill) tried to push for the board to impose a \$25 annual vehicle registration fee to cover the money cut from the affordable housing preservation program.

"There are still over 1,700 people who are homeless in the county and that does not include people living in overcrowded conditions. ... We did not fund one of our core values because we are not committed to it," said Hudgins.

Hyland said he was disappointed that the county would continue to dedicate a penny of the real estate tax rate to storm water management but would not continue to maintain its commitment to affordable housing.

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Michael Aristide Capone Dies

Michael Aristide Capone, 58, died at Hospice Home in Burlington, N.C. on Sunday, March 15, following a battle with cancer.

Capone was born Aug. 12, 1950, in Fairfax, to the late Aristide and Michelina Capone. He lived in Fairfax County for over 40 years, was active in DeMolay and Masons, and graduated from American University with a degree in criminal justice. He was a retired Fairfax County magistrate and most recently worked as an independent insurance adjuster.

He is survived by his sons, Nicholas Capone of Boone, N.C., and Michael Capone II and wife Gwen Shepler of Burlington, N.C.; brother, Roger Capone and wife Celeste of Syracuse, N.Y.; sister, Diane Capone and husband Joe Guinto of Leesburg, Fla.; niece Michelina Murphy and husband Michael of Nedrow, N.Y.

A celebration of Michael Capone's life will take place Friday, May 1, at 5:30 p.m., at the Red Hot & Blue restaurant, 4150 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax.

Mortgage Fraud Scam

A federal grand jury indicted two Fairfax County residents and three others on conspiracy and wire fraud charges on April 15 in federal court in Alexandria.

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Michael Aristide Capone

NEWS

Unanimity on Budget

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The reduction in the affordable housing preservation program allowed the county to reallocate money for other housing or housing-related programs that were in danger of being completely cut, said Bulova. She added that the federal stimulus money would allow the county to keep the affordable housing program almost at full funding level in 2010.

Moving forward, Bulova said the county should look at restructuring its affordable housing program to be more flexible.

The affordable housing preservation fund currently has a very narrow focus — to purchase affordable housing units in danger of being converted to higher-end housing. With the foreclosure crisis underway, a greater need may exist to use that funding for other purposes, she said.

Other members of the board supported implementing vehicle registration for different reasons.

McKay wanted the county to impose the \$25 annual fee on each car so that Fairfax could drop the real estate tax rate another cent. Hyland and Supervisor Linda Smyth (D-Providence) supported the motion.

"We have the highest foreclosure rate in the county in Lee District and we need to provide some real tax relief. ... I would much rather have people shed a car or two than lose their home," said McKay.

Smyth said she was concerned about senior citizens on fixed incomes who haven't seen a large drop in their home values and may end up paying more in real estate taxes this year because of the rise in the rate.

But Bulova and Herrity said the average household would end up paying more in taxes if a vehicle registration fee were substituted for a penny of the real estate tax rate.

One penny of the tax rate equals approximately \$45 for the average Fairfax household, but most Fairfax families have about three cars, meaning they would be pay \$75 each year if an annual vehicle registration fee was collected, said Herrity.

Supervisor John Foust (D-Dranesville) also called the car registration fee "regressive."

A person driving a car worth \$500 would be paying the same price as someone driving a car worth \$50,000. At least with the tax rate, a person living in a \$300,000 home pays less than a person living in a \$3 million home, he said.

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— **Sharon Bulova (D-At-large), chairman, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors**

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OPINION

Extend Earth Day through Spring

Celebrations this month and beyond can lead to more small steps for families and individuals.

While you may or may not be set up to consider biking to work on some days, or any day, it's worth considering getting to work without your car on Bike to Work Day on May 15, and if possible, one day or more a week thereafter.

With dozens of local events this week marking Earth Day, it's a good time to think about taking steps small and large to improve the environment and increase your family's connection to the natural world.

One of the easiest ways to help air quality and traffic this spring and summer involves more telecommuting. Press your employer to allow you and other employees to work from home at least one day a week.

One of the best ways to benefit the environment for the indefinite future is by instilling an appreciation for the natural world in your children and family. This can be as simple as getting out into your own yard and talking about the trees, plants, birds and animals living right along side of you. Get out into a local

park, walk along a stream. Go to programs at the local nature center or classes run by the Audubon Naturalist Society, audubonnaturalist.org.

Make a commitment to be a little warmer in the house this summer, to let the thermostat stay a little higher and the air conditioning a bit warmer. When the light bulb burns out, replace it with a compact fluorescent.

The Washington, D.C. chapter of the Sierra Club offers simple tips for things you can do to help the environment at <http://dc.sierraclub.org/volunteer/lifestyle.asp>. Suggestions range

from reducing the amount of junk mail you receive, using cloth bags at the grocery store and cloth napkins at the dinner table, conserving water, buying local food, not buying bottled water, leaving the car parked at least one day a week, and sharing your values with your children and neighbors.

—MARY KIMM

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EDITORIAL

Earth Day and Environmental Events

Bike to Work Day. Friday, May 15, Join thousands of area commuters for a celebration of bicycling way to get to work. Meet at one of 27 pit stops with gathering places in Alexandria, Arlington, Rosslyn and Crystal City, Fairfax Corner, City of Fairfax, Reston, Springfield Metro Park, Sterling, Vienna and Tysons. See <http://www.waba.org/events/btwd/pitstops.php>.

Virginia Invasive Plant Removal Day, Saturday, May 2, Join in this state-wide invasive plant removal day, find local projects in Arlington, Alexandria, Fairfax, Reston, McLean, Loudoun and more at <http://www.virginiamasternaturalist.org/invasives/index.html>.

Fairfax County's Annual Earth Day – Arbor Day Celebration, Saturday, April 25, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Northern Virginia Community College - Annandale Campus, 8333 Little River Turnpike, Annandale. Free admission, entertainment, games, activities. Call 703-324-5471, TTY 711 or go to www.cleanfairfaxcouncil.org.

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Story Behind The Story

To the Editor:

My wife and I were disappointed in this newspaper's coverage of the alleged Westboro Baptist Church's protest of (Gay) Pride Week at George Mason University [Fairfax Connection, April 2-8, 2009]. The problem with the article would be obvious to any Christian of any denomination: a legitimate Christian church would not espouse the hateful messages that this

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Topeka group demonstrated on its posters. Your newspaper should have pointed out the facts about this severely misguided group so as not to malign the Christian faith. Westboro is not recognized by any bona fide Baptist church (e.g., American Baptist, Southern Baptist, Primitive Baptist). This group is so radical, even bizarre in its thinking that its members have traveled the continent staging protests against not just gays and lesbians, but also the United States government (at funerals of fallen American soldiers because their deaths are seen as God's judgment against a corrupt United States), the Catholic Church (Pope Benedict XVI is referred to as "The Godfather of Pedophiles" and "Pervert Pope"), and Billy Graham revivals calling Billy Graham a "Hell-bound false prophet." All of this

information was found at the Wikipedia Web site: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Westboro_Baptist_Church.

Perhaps the Fairfax Connection assumed that its readership was already cognizant of Westboro's bizarre doctrine and practices, but if so, this assumption was in error. The full story of Westboro needs to be told.

William C. Tirre
Fairfax

Taxes Still Too High

To the Editor:

I voted for the FY 2010 budget because it represented a reasonable, bipartisan compromise in a very difficult budget year.

Each year for longer than we can remember, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors has spent more money than the year before, continually growing the size of government. With the passage of this budget for Fiscal Year 2010, we chose a different path. The 2010 Budget calls for less spending than the 2009 Budget. While the county needs to continue to look for efficiencies and common-sense solutions to problems, this budget is a good starting point.

Furthermore, this budget holds the line on property taxes. The tax rate of \$1.04 plus a cent for storm water management will result in

a slight decrease in property tax payments for the average homeowner. Taxes are still too high — a point I made before the Board and will continue to make in the future — but we had to stop the increases before we could start decreasing taxes.

Moreover, by participating in this compromise, I helped to stop a last minute attempt to increase taxes and was part of a successful effort to negotiate away another tax increase. During the budget mark up, three supervisors proposed adding a \$25 car registration fee to the budget (the County Executive had proposed this fee but the chairman had removed it). This amendment, had it passed, would have resulted in an increase in the total tax burden. Because enough supervisors refused to support this increase, Chairman Sharon Bulova (D-At-large) chose to stick with her compromise budget. During budget negotiations, Supervisors Michael Frey (R-Sully), Pat Herrity (R-Springfield) and I also made it clear that we would not support a budget that included the "kiddie tax," a proposal from the County Executive that would have increased the athletic field fee from \$5.50 to \$13.50. As part of the final compromise, our position on this point prevailed as well.

In addition to keeping fees out, we were also able to put some cuts in. The budget saved \$10 million

by stopping the "penny for affordable housing" program, a misguided program to buy government owned public housing projects that history shows will fail. Both Supervisor Herrity and I campaigned against these projects, and this budget adopted our position.

In addition, because I agreed to the budget I was able to get a couple special restorations that will go a long way toward strengthening our neighborhoods. Due to my efforts, the board restored two zoning inspector positions. That means these two people will spend the next year closing down the illegal boarding houses that negatively impact our neighborhoods instead of collecting unemployment compensation benefits. I also restored the Pinn Community Center in Sideburn, led other supervisors in restoring the Wakefield Senior Center and joined them in restoring the most important law enforcement and fire department cuts. All these items will help strengthen our neighborhoods.

All in all, while the county budget is still too large, this budget moves things in the right direction. By agreeing to a common sense compromise with the chairman, we were able to achieve additional goals we could not have achieved alone. Simply put, we got some

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important things done.

I am thankful to be trusted by my Braddock District neighbors to be their voice in the county on these important decisions. I congratulate the chairman, my fellow supervisors, county staff and the engaged citizens for all the work they put into this new budget, and I pledge to the citizens and neighborhoods of Braddock District that I will continue to pursue common sense solutions to our most pressing needs.

Supervisor John C. Cook
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FAITH NOTES

Faith Communities in Action Aging Adults Task Force meets Thursday, April 23, 7 p.m., at Fairfax Presbyterian Church, 10723 Main St., Fairfax. The FCIA Aging Adults Task Force provides information to help congregations better respond to the needs of older adults. 703-324-2051.

Yom Ha'Atzmaut Celebration. Sunday, April 26, 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m., at JCC of Northern Virginia 8900 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax. The community is invited to come together to celebrate Israel's birthday. Enjoy a delicious buffet breakfast of pancakes, eggs, juice and more. Feel the beat with Israeli

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THURSDAY/APRIL 23

Junior Brown. 8 p.m. at The

Barns. \$24. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.

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

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Regional Library, 6450 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. Very short stories, fingerplays and activities. Age 18-23 months with adult. 703-644-7333.

Capitol City Brass Quintet - A George Mason Student Recital.

8 p.m., at Old Town Hall, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. The Capitol Brass Quintet is composed of George Mason University Music students.

George Mason University

Printmakers Studio Sale. 10:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m., at GMU Fine Arts Building, Fairfax Campus, Printmaking Studio, Room 200. Come purchase quality original prints by international, national and regional artists, faculty and students. The Print Department is moving to a

new building and is selling the department's personal collection to raise funds for student activities. Most prices range from \$1-\$100.

'Say Goodnight, Gracie,' presented by George Mason University's

Theater Department and the GMU Players. 8 p.m., at GMU's TheaterSpace at the school's Fairfax campus. Tickets are \$12; \$8 for students, seniors and GMU faculty/staff. Limited free tickets available for GMU students. 703-993-8888.

FRIDAY/APRIL 24

The Discovery Series: Chicago Chamber Musicians. 8 p.m. at The Barns. \$35. Wolf Trap

Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.

Kings of Leon, 8 p.m. at the George

Mason University Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Circle, Fairfax. Tickets are \$45, available online at www.ticketmaster.com or via Phonecharge at 703-573-SEAT. www.patriotcenter.com or www.kingsofleon.com.

Semantic and Redshift, 10 p.m. at Fat Tuesdays, 10673 Braddock Road, Fairfax. 703-385-5717.

Book Sale, 10 a.m. at the City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Books and other similar items of interest. 10-5 p.m. All ages. 703-293-6227.

Reading Across the Centuries, 7 p.m. at Pohick Regional Library,

6450 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. Writer and university instructor Wendi Kaufman facilitates the discussion of "Northanger Abbey" by Jane Austen. 703-644-7333.

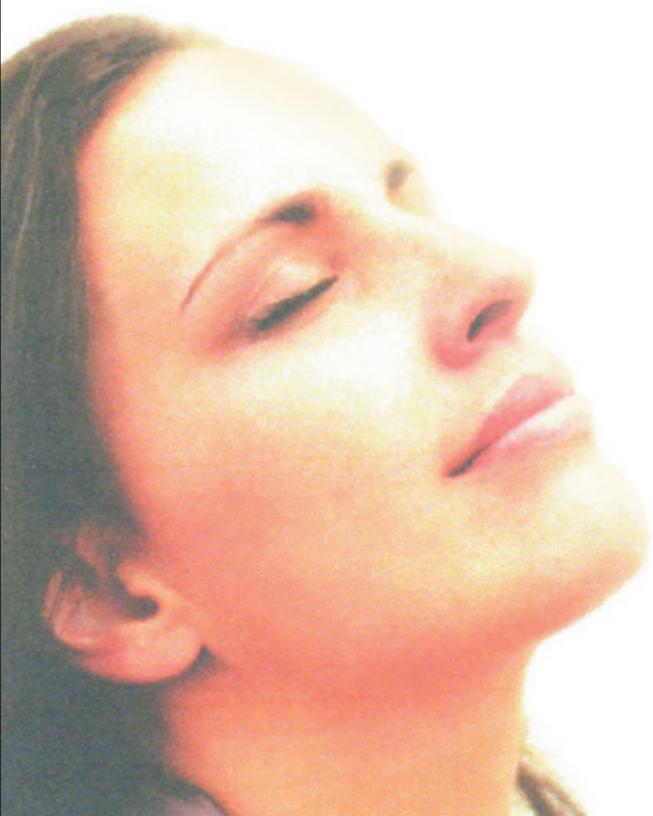
Open House and New Member

Brunch will be hosted by the MOPS Club of Burke-North, from 10-11:30 a.m. at The Woods Community Center, 10100 Wards Grove Circle, Burke. Any stay-at-home parents who live in the 22015 Zip code, north of Burke Centre Parkway are welcome to attend. Contact Karen Smith at burkemomsclub@onebox.com or

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The Electeds. 8 p.m., at The Sweet Life Cafe 3950, Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax. 703-385-5433, www.thesweetlifecafefairfax.com.

Spring Auction at Northern Virginia Christian Academy. 7-10 p.m., at the Northern Virginia Christian Academy, 11000 Berry St., Fairfax. Silent and live auction. Sports, vacation, day excursion and children's party packages available for bids. Other items include clubhouse seats for a Redskins game, presidents box seats for a Nationals game and an original, black and white drawing of Spider-man drawn by Sal Buscema, artist and inker for Marvel Comics since the late 1960s. Admission is \$10 per person. Call 703-273-0803 or visit www.nvchristianacademy.org.

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The Wedding From Hell by Eileen Mouskey. The W.T. Woodson Drama Department presents this comedy and dinner theater event (rated PG-13) 12 p.m. and 7 p.m., at Main Street Marketplace, 3950 University Drive, Fairfax. Visit wtwdrama.org for tickets. 7 p.m. show ASL interpreted. Tickets are \$18 for buffet meal and performance. Pre-sale only. No tickets sold at the door. Caterers vary per show, but include: Red Hot & Blue, Metro Diner, Auld Shebeen, Buffalo Wing University, Brion's Grill, and Mama Lucia's.

SATURDAY/APRIL 25

Tom Chapin. 7:30 p.m. at The Barns. \$22. Wolf Trap Foundation for the

Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.

The Arthritis Walk Fairfax, 9 a.m. at Robinson Secondary School, 5035 Sideburn Road, Fairfax, to raise funds and awareness to fight arthritis. Participants walk in honor of a friend or family member with arthritis on a 3-mile or 1-mile course and take part in activities for the entire family. Visit www.letsmove togetherfairfax.kintera.org or contact Christina Thomas at 202-537-6800, ext. 3016 or cthomas@arthritis.org.

Tom O'Connor, 1 p.m. at Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. \$10. 703-255-1566 or jamminjava.com.



Junior Erin Cafferky stars as Wild West sharpshooter, Annie Oakley in West Springfield High's production of 'Annie Get Your Gun,' which runs April 24-May 2.

Steve Forbert CD Release Show. Acoustic/roots. 7 p.m. at Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. \$20. 703-255-1566 or jamminjava.com.

'It's All about the Cats' Adoption Day, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. at the Burke Centre Library, 5935 Fred's Oak Road, Burke. 703-249-1520. Contact Chris C. Haslam, Commonwealth Cat Rescue, Inc. at 703-568-3600.

Mapping the Civil War. 2 p.m., at the Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. Learn about the creation of National Geographic's award-winning "Battles of the Civil War" map at a free lecture with complimentary color maps for each attendee. Robert Pratt Sr., designer and art director, and Michael Horner, editor and researcher, from National Geographic, will discuss the design and production of the map, including

their use of research, digital imagery, artifact photography, and plotting of data and symbols. The presentation will be preceded by a free tour of the Blenheim site at 1 p.m., including the famous Blenheim House, listed on the National Register for its numerous inscriptions and pictographs left by Civil War soldiers. Light refreshments will be served. For more, call 703-591-0560.

BPM, 10 p.m. at Fat Tuesdays, 10673 Braddock Road, Fairfax. 703-385-5717.

Cold-Blooded Creatures, 11 a.m. at Pohick Regional Library, 6450 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. Learn about the local species of reptiles and amphibians and their habitats from Hidden Pond experts.

Observe live animals from the Nature Center. Age 6-12. 703-644-7333.

Book Sale 10 a.m. at the City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Books and other similar items of interest. 10-5 p.m. All ages. 703-293-6227.

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Chronic Fatigue Syndrome: Is Oxygen the Problem and Why? Paul Cheney, MD/PhD, of Asheville, N.C., presents a general overview and his

CFS treatment protocol to the Northern VA Chronic Fatigue Syndrome & Fibromyalgia (CFS/FM) Support Group at the Fairfax Governmental Center, Board Auditorium, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA 22035, from 6-9 p.m. Registration requested. No cost. For more information, contact Elly Brosius via 703-968-9818, cfsupport-owner@yahoo-groups.com or visit geocities.com/cfsnova/events.html.

Shakespeare's "Henry V" presented by the Acting Company. 8 p.m., at the GMU Center for the Arts. Tickets are \$36, \$28 and \$18. Charge by phone at 888-945-2468 or visit www.tickets.com. The Center for the Arts complex is located on the Fairfax campus of George Mason University

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Polka Til Ya Drop with the Blaskapelle Alte Kameraden, the German Band of the City of Fairfax Band Association, 7 p.m., at Volunteer Fire Department #3, Williams Hall, 4081 University Drive, Fairfax. Includes lessons for polka novices, polka demonstrations, German beer and wine, pretzels and pastries. \$10 at the door. Refreshments provided for additional charge.

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A Little Night Music. Concert to benefit the IMPACT youth choir 6:30 p.m., at Burke Presbyterian Church 5690 Oak Leather Drive, Burke. Annual event of classical music performed by professional musicians Tessa Hartle and Gray Dickerson from the University of Maryland and a variety of tunes and styles by talented senior high students. Free. Donations will be accepted to benefit the IMPACT youth choir. Dessert and light appetizers will be served. Childcare available. www.BurkePresChurch.org.

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SUNDAY/APRIL 26

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Catie Curtis. Folk/rock. 7:30 p.m. at The Barns. \$20. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.

Junior League of Northern Virginia's Fourth Annual Strides For Success 5K Run and Children's 1K Fun Run/Walk, 9 a.m. at Fairfax Corner Shopping Center, 11950 Grand Commons Ave. in Fairfax. This is a family-friendly event for all levels, with prizes for top male and female finishers, completion prizes for children, refreshments, T-shirts, goodie bags and children's entertainment. Registration is \$30 until April 21, and \$35 after that at www.runwashington.com/features/stridesforsuccessinfo. Forms are also available at www.jlnv.org. Submit by fax to 703-761-4139 or via e-mail to info@jlnv.org.

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Benefit Concert. 12:30-4 p.m., at Fairfax Presbyterian Church, 10723 Main St., Fairfax. The concert includes New Day, Work in Progress, Positive Spin and Chris Kim and a special guest speaker on the Glebe. Food will be catered by Moe's, Papa John's and Metro Silver Diner.

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Take a Stroll through Fairfax History

City of Fairfax Homes Tour on May 2 to raise money for Historic Fairfax Inc.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

Historic Fairfax City Inc. (HFCI) is sponsoring a tour of five homes in the City of Fairfax on Saturday, May 2, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. All proceeds benefit the restoration and preservation of Fairfax City historic properties.

Called "Transformations," the tour features many homes that have undergone significant changes while retaining their original character. All are tastefully decorated and present a variety of architectural styles and beautiful furnishings, plus floral arrangements provided by local garden clubs.

"All the homes are on the historic, trolley-car line and two are 100 years old," said Homes Tour Chairman Brenda Linthicum. "Another is a 1960s split level converted into an Arts-and-Crafts-style house. It's to show people what they can do with fairly modest homes. All the homeowners have done clever, interesting things."

"We are all very excited and the homeowners are working so hard," said Linthicum. "I love history and homes, particularly old homes. It's a passion of mine, and I'm personally committed to trying to preserve as much history and as many old buildings in the City of Fairfax as possible."

The tour begins at Truro Church at 10520 Main St. in Fairfax. Parking at the homes is limited, so guests are encouraged to use the free bus transportation to each home provided by the City of Fairfax. The church will offer refreshments while attendees wait for the bus. The homes are not handicapped accessible. Children must be over 8, and babies are only allowed in front carriers.

Box lunches for \$5 will be served in the Gunnell House by the Truro Youth Group and should be ordered in advance. They'll contain a chicken-salad sandwich on a croissant, fruit, cookie or brownie and bottled water. The Fairfax Rifles Living History Society will explain the Gunnell House's role during the Civil War.

TICKETS ARE \$15 in advance at the Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center, 10209 Main St., Fairfax; Blenheim Civil War Interpretive Museum, 3600 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax; Parks and Recreation Office at City Hall, 10455 Armstrong St., Fairfax; and Circa Home & Garden, 10435 North St. On tour day, they'll be \$20 and may be purchased, cash and check only, at Truro or at a booth at the farmers market behind the Old Court House on Main Street.

Raffle tickets for chances to dine at 10 or 11 restaurants, coupled with tickets to local movie theaters in Fairfax City, are being sold for \$5 each or three for \$10 wherever tickets are sold and on the day of the tour. Also being raffled off is a \$100 Maid Brigade gift certificate. The drawing will take place at 3:30 p.m., at Truro at 3:30 p.m. Winners need not be present.

For more information and ticket inquiries, contact the Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center at 703-385-8414 or see <http://www.fairfaxva.gov/MuseumVC/MVC.asp>.

HFCI promotes and preserves historic properties in the City of Fairfax, such as the newly opened Civil War historic site, Blenheim, The Fairfax Museum and Visitor's Center, Old Town Hall, and The Ratcliffe-Allison House. It also works to increase public awareness and appreciation for the city's rich, local history.



Malloy House

Bush Home

This former split level on Mason Street is the newly renovated home of Doug and Ann Bush. It's on the Layton Hall Estate land of Joseph Willard, owner of the Willard Hotel and son of Antonia Ford and Capt. Joseph Willard.

Visitors will see a comfortable blending of detailed trim, tapered columns, eye-catching red windows and shake siding — signatures of the Arts and Crafts movement. This motif carries into the home with abundant built-ins, detailed molding and wood trim. The furnishings are warm and pleasing. A lush garden is located outside, as well as a stylized deck, charming garden shed, stone patio and imaginative tree house.



Dandridge House

family heirlooms blend with warm colors in rooms graced with their original windows and woodworking.

Dandridge House

The deep porch extending the length of Dandridge House on Moore Street beckons visitors to pause and relax before entering. Albert Sherwood built this house with its distinctive modillion cornice on land he bought in 1913. But then, it was on the corner of Keith and Main, remaining there for more than 60 years until relocated to Moore Street and renovated in 1988.

But it wasn't the home's first transformation. In 1925, it was a bed and breakfast, becoming a private home again in the late 1930s. Years later, in the 1980s, it was used as an office building, but Tim Burch restored it to its original use. Then owners Richard and Catherine Rose raised their family there in a home where

Malloy House

This two-story, brick, Colonial Revival duplex on Farr Avenue was built in the 1940s. Needing more space, however, in 2002 the Malloys added a large, country oak kitchen, family room and master suite. The two original bedrooms, tile bathroom floor and architectural details including the graceful mahogany banister, were left intact.

The Malloys' sensitivity to aesthetics and respect for preservation is apparent throughout the renovation. Family antiques enhance modern functions, and an original bedroom serves as a home office. A multipurpose dining room, complete with original fireplace and family Victorian piano, replaced the former living room. A grandmother's quilt covers the walnut country bed made by a great-grandfather in the early 19th century.



Southern Comfort

Kelley House

Owned by Shawn and Shannon Kelley, this home on Farr Avenue retains its beauty, function and history, despite recent restoration of the rooms, crown molding, curved stairway, limestone fireplace and crystal chandeliers. The home also boasts a "green" roof containing more than 700 plants. The roof soil was transported in 5-gallon buckets and special drainage was added, in the name of ecology.

The carriage house now serves as a garage, and there's a Classical Revival style front porch where, in years gone by, past residents watched the electric trolley making its way to Washington, D.C.

Southern Comfort

When builder Nick Akhtar moved his business from Williamsburg to Northern Virginia in 1992, he brought a bit of the 18th century with him. His

first project, Southern Comfort, on Oliver Street, boasts a steeply pitched, cedar-shake roof and dormers above muted, gray-green cedar siding.

The side-entrance garage with a suite above provides both interior living space and outdoor privacy on a stone patio among the trees. Richard and Morrow Armstrong are the original owners, and their home features a colonial exterior and contemporary interior. Here, family heirlooms — from a mid-19th-century corner cupboard with original leaded glass doors, to early 20-century marble-topped tables — blend comfortably with abstract art.

William Gunnell House

Standing at 10520 Main St., this is perhaps the most famous historic house in the City of Fairfax. It was the site of the 1863 nighttime capture of Gen. Edwin Stoughton by Confederate Col. John Mosby and 30 of his rangers. Thomas Love built the William Gunnell House in 1842 on property originally part of the Mount Vineyard Plantation. This two-story, Georgian-style house is of Flemish bond brick construction with a gabled roof and two chimneys on each gable.

In 1853, it was sold to William Priestley Gunnell, a prominent landowner, planter and one of the first Justices of the Peace to serve in the then-new Fairfax Court House. During the Civil War, the home was occupied by Federal troops and served as Stoughton's headquarters. It became the Truro Church rectory in 1933; standing on the Truro campus, it serves as church office and meeting space.

REAL ESTATE



Sydney Miller has joined VirginiaMLS.com Realty, an independent Real Estate brokerage firm based in Fairfax. Miller brings experience in sales, marketing, and design to the firm. She is a licensed real estate agent in the state of Virginia and a member of the Northern Virginia Association of Realtors, the Virginia Association of Realtors and the National Association of Realtors. Miller will be focusing on the greater Loudoun County area. The VirginiaMLS.com Realty office is at 11130 Main St., Suite 100 in Fairfax.

Karen Trainor, associate broker with the Weichert Realtors Fair Oaks office in Fairfax, received the 2008 Manager of the Year Award during the Virginia Association of Realtors' annual awards reception. The award recognizes excellence in real estate management by a Realtor manager who shows a commitment to personal education and training, business and civic accomplishments and innovation and creativity in management. A Realtor since 1999, Trainor has been a volunteer for several different committees with NVAR, from Arbitration, Standard Forms, Chair of Million Dollar Dinner Dance in 2006, Budget Finance, to being elected to the Board of Directors. She currently serves as the secretary/treasurer of NVAR Board of Directors.

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dancing, join the Israeli flag parade and get creative with a community art project. Everyone welcome. Admission: \$6/adult; \$4/child; children under 2/free. For more information, check the visit www.jccnv.org or call 703-323-0880.

International Calvary Church is hosting a special service on Sunday, April 26, 6 p.m., during **North Korea Freedom Week 2009**. Candlelight Vigil to remember and pray for all repatriated North Koreans who have been beaten to death and publicly executed in North Korea because of China's repatriation policy and 7 p.m. prayer service for North Korea and for the visiting North Korea defector delegation. Location: International Calvary Church, 5700 Hanover Ave., Springfield. More info about North Korea Freedom Week at www.nkfreedom.org or 202-341-6767.

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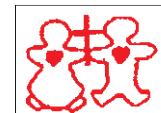
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McGillicuddys Make Foes See Double

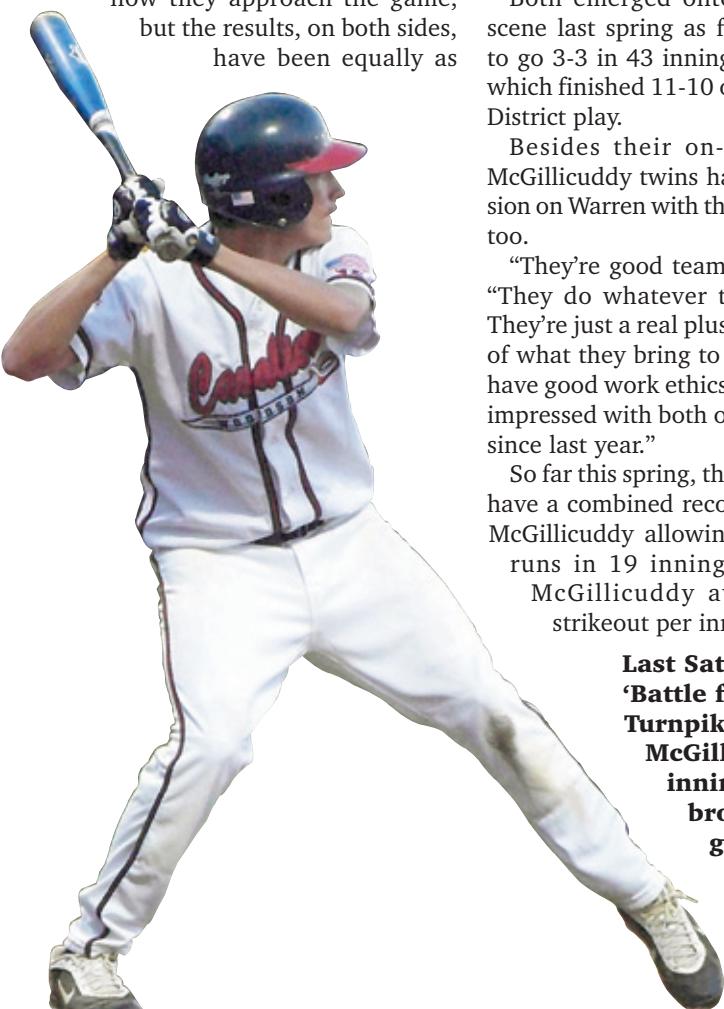
Identical twins are two of several sophomore hurlers for W.T. Woodson's baseball team.

BY JASON MACKEY
THE CONNECTION

Mom can decipher which one's which. Dad, according to his sons, constantly gets confused and makes excuses to cover his mistakes. Chris Warren, W.T. Woodson's baseball coach, is just thankful the pair have numbers on the back of their jerseys.

As it turns out, opposing hitters and pitchers are not the only ones that John and Joe McGillicuddy have tormented lately.

Identical twins that play corner infield spots and pitch for the Cavaliers, the McGillicuddy twins might be different in how they approach the game, but the results, on both sides, have been equally as

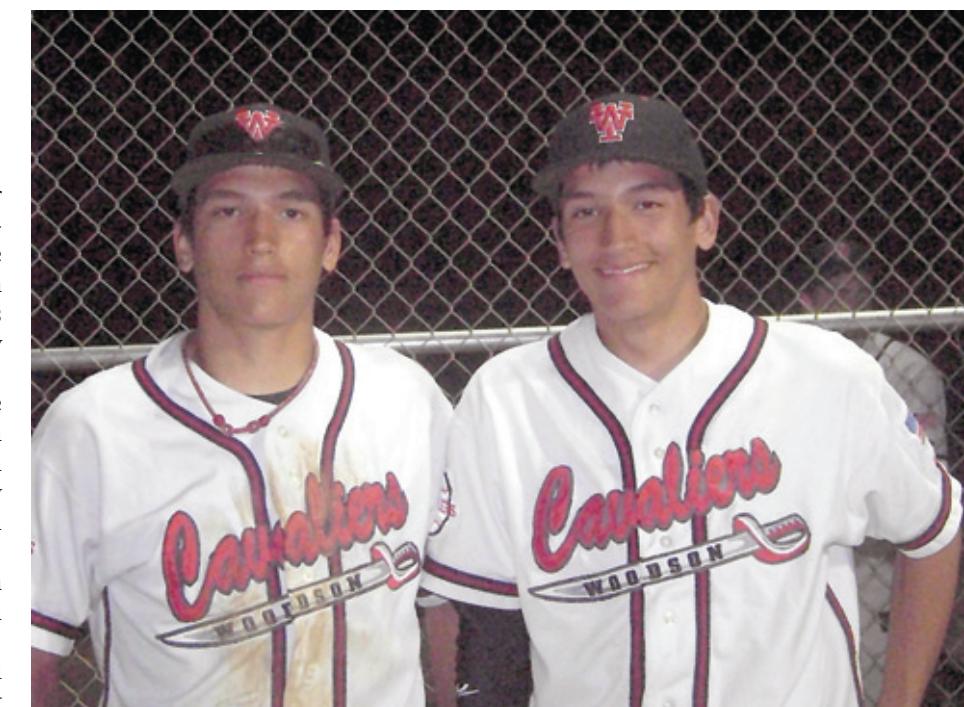


Last Saturday during the 'Battle for Little River Turnpike,' John McGillicuddy's fifth-inning, two-run triple broke open a 5-3 game, helping W.T. Woodson to a 9-6 win over local rival Annandale.

addition to a one hour clinic with Robinson's girls' soccer team, the two groups sat down and had veggie and cheese pizza for lunch.

The equivalent of a Pakistani school district official was one of the chaperones on the trip, and while at Robinson, spent considerable time discussing the regular season and playoff structure that most people, the Rams included, take for granted.

"One of the things that they're trying to do is to bring organization to the different



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John McGillicuddy, left, is hitting .385 this season for W.T. Woodson's baseball team. His twin brother, Joe McGillicuddy, right, is battling shoulder soreness but has averaged nearly a strikeout per inning.

The taller of the two with slightly broader shoulders, John McGillicuddy is a prototypical starting pitcher. His pitches aren't quite as dynamic as his brother's, but he's much better at pitching to contact, keeping his pitch counts down and enabling him to stay in games longer.

Joe McGillicuddy is a natural reliever. He pitches primarily from the stretch, with a hard, 12-to-six curveball that makes his twin brother jealous. But Joe McGillicuddy pitches for strikeouts, meaning his pitch counts tends to run a bit high.

"I think it's good because even though we're twins, we're not exactly the same on the mound," Joe McGillicuddy said.

Both emerged onto the local baseball scene last spring as freshmen, combining to go 3-3 in 43 innings for W.T. Woodson, which finished 11-10 overall, 7-7 in Liberty District play.

Besides their on-field exploits, the McGillicuddy twins have made an impression on Warren with their off-the-field work, too.

"They're good team guys," Warren said. "They do whatever they're asked to do. They're just a real plus to the team in terms of what they bring to the table. They both have good work ethics, and I've been really impressed with both of their developments since last year."

So far this spring, the McGillicuddy twins have a combined record of 2-1, with John McGillicuddy allowing only three earned runs in 19 innings of work and Joe McGillicuddy averaging almost a strikeout per inning.

On a 5-acre plot of land in Clifton, the twins immerse themselves in baseball. The room they share is all baseball all the time, both with conversation topics and décor. They even have their own personal batting cage out back.

After practice or if there's a game, the McGillicuddy twins will go home and talk, discussing each play, each at-bat and, really, each pitch.

"We try to critique each other, and we get straight to the point," said John McGillicuddy, who is hitting .385 this season with 10 RBIs. "If he did kind of bad, I

tell him what he needs to work on and he takes it to heart."

Both are part of a talented cadre of sophomore pitchers that also includes Bryson Hough, Tyler Wislocki and reliever Joe Brendler, who struck out the side in his first inning of work Saturday, April 18, during a 9-6 win over Annandale.

Besides the sophomores, W.T. Woodson, as evidenced by a 7-3 up-

set win over West Springfield over spring break, has flourished offensively with a batting order comprised of more juniors and seniors. Colin Dempsey, Kirk Lewis and Connor Reilly, are all regular players who have hit over .400 on the season.

"Most of our pitching is made up of sophomores, so we're a little up and down," Warren said. "But if we can continue to improve, then hopefully we'll be one of those teams that people don't want to play at the end of the year."

"Even though we're twins, we're not exactly the same on the mound."

— Joe McGillicuddy, sophomore, W.T. Woodson High

According to Rike, the first 25 minutes of conversation centered around the cultural differences and who was or wasn't allowed to do what.

After that, it was pretty much typical high school talk, focusing on clothes, school grades and college. Both sides even promised to stay in touch via Facebook.

"It was very beneficial," Rike said of the interaction. "It was a great exchange of cultures."

Pakistani Players Visit Robinson

Don't be shocked if a girls' soccer team from Islamabad, Pakistan soon claims its first-ever Concorde District or Northern Region title.

On Wednesday, April 15, 14 high school-age soccer players from Pakistan visited Robinson Secondary School as part of a cultural exchange program. In

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areas of the city," said Rams coach Jim Rike. The group took a tour of Robinson, visiting a biology classroom that one Pakistani player said was "10 times the size as her own," while also visiting Robinson's band and choral rooms, with the girls from abroad marveling at the bounty of trophies that both groups had won.

"They could relate to the trophies because apparently their team is pretty good," Rike said.

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'Fiddler' at Robinson

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and how they'd pray, to make sure it was all accurate. And we've had to learn pronunciations foreign to most of us."

But things have progressed well and, she said, "We've become like a little village, ourselves. We've emphasized the sense of family that's so important in this play, and that's why it's got universal appeal and should resonate with the audience."

Senior Piper Hillman is both choreographer and set designer. She's pleased when all the actors learn the dance numbers "really well so they look good." She especially likes seeing them perform the song, "LChaim," because "it has the most unusual and interesting moves."

The sets include a street in Anatevka with shops, a town square and houses, plus the interior of Tevye's house and an inn. Hillman said it was difficult nailing all the old wood to the flats "because it was falling apart," but she's liked the wood's authenticity. She also "painted the floor blue around the edges for color and a dreamlike feel. It's artistic, but makes sense." And the sets' many levels, said Hillman, make them "more natural and aesthetically pleasing."

Portraying the lead character and patriarch, Tevye, is senior Eric Fischer. "He's a philosopher and sometimes dreams above what he can attain," said Fischer. "He wants to be a scholar or a rich man, but can't be. He's contemplative of the world around him and is a loving man committed to his faith. Jews are hopeful for the Messiah to come and things to get better, so he's lighthearted. He also loves his family and wants the best for them. He believes that, as long as tradition is maintained, the quilt of his town will remain complete."

Fischer's delighted with his role and believes he has the same energy and curiosity about life as Tevye. Hardest, he said, is "showing the audience how conflicted he is when he realizes he's made wrong decisions." But Fischer's happy Tevye's such a fun guy. "He's always making jokes, and it's fun to be a little crazy with him on stage."

His favorite song is "If I Were a Rich Man" because it shows Tevye at his most energetic. He also likes "Tradition" because it shows how proud Tevye is of his town. He's pleased with the show's balance between happiness and an awareness of suffering. "The background of intense poverty and oppression makes this show's humor even that much more fun," he said.

AS YENTE, senior Sarah Russell is "a typical, Jewish grandmother. She overreacts and loves to feed off the guilt of others. She complains, but is really happy being a matchmaker and the town gossip. She's my favorite character in my favorite show, so it was an honor to be cast as her."

"Coming from a Jewish family and growing up with the music, I really feel like I'm playing my own grandmother, who's a lot like Yente," said Russell. "She knows everyone in her town and is interested in their lives." Russell's favorite song is "Sabbath Prayer" because of its harmony and because "it's really heartfelt and speaks to everyone who cares about family and religion. The Sabbath prayer is about blessing the family and keeping loved ones healthy and safe."

She says the audience will appreciate Director Chip Rome's interpretation of the show as "something dif-



PHOTO BY BONNIE HOBBS/THE CONNECTION

Sarah Russell, left, appears as Yente the matchmaker and Zach Sheldon as vil-lager Avram.

ferent from the movie and completely new. It's what makes our musicals here more professional and unique."

Senior Josh Berrent plays Lazar Wolf, the butcher. Tevye promised him that he could marry his eldest daughter, Tzeitel, but she refuses because she loves someone else. "His wife died and he's an old man," said Berrent. "Now he's lost and drowns himself with alcohol. It's an interesting role and I get to create his complicated background."

However, Berrent must wear a full beard and, he said, "It's hard to talk because it gets stuck in your teeth." But he likes Wolf's "big, emotional change from happy to miserable, which makes him more diverse and shows his true colors."

Portraying Tzeitel is junior Madison Auch. "She's not a rebel, but she's not afraid to stand up for what she needs to be happy," said Auch. "Her parents want her to marry Lazar Wolf, who's wealthy and can give her security, but she loves Motel, a poor tailor. So it's bold when she tells her father she wants to marry Motel. It's unheard of for the daughter to choose who'll she'll marry."

She said the cast bonded offstage so they could bond as a family on stage, and she especially likes the song, "Chavaleh," sung by Tevye as his third daughter, Chava, heads to Siberia with the man she loves. "It's a bittersweet lullaby and all three daughters dance in the background," said Auch. "It's a touching moment and shows how much this father loves his daughters."

Director Rome says the high-school audience will be hooked by the love stories, and adults will be drawn to "the life-cycle traumas of watching your children grow up and away. Yet, funny and sweet as this is, it's in a very serious context. Bigotry and anti-Semitism are still with us, and the proof is how popular the show has been across the globe, translated into many languages. It's a Jewish story, but also a very human story."

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The indictment accuses the five of conducting a mortgage scam fraudulently purchasing Northern Virginia homes and using the mortgage proceeds to pay "home improvement" expenses of more than \$335,000, according to Dana J. Boente, acting U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia, Joseph Persichini Jr., assistant director in charge of the FBI Washington Field Office, and Gregory Campbell, of the U.S. Postal Inspection Service.

The federal jury indicted Victor A. Valdez, 27 of Fairfax; his mother-in-law Liguia Abaunza Miranda, 54 of Chantilly; her daughter Monica J. Lambert, 30 of Gainesville; Nelson C. Cardoza, 37 of Ranson, West Virginia; and Erick G. Chavarria, 35 of Manassas.

According to Boente, Persichini and Campbell, Cardoza provided names of two people and used their Social Security numbers to purchase five properties in Northern Virginia when the buyers didn't know or authorize the purchases.

Lambert, a real estate agent, prepared the sales contracts and Valdez, of Fairfax, prepared fraudulent mortgage applications that falsified the income and assets of the buyers.

Chavarria, who worked for Valdez, added names of one of the buyers to his bank account so the buyer would appear to qualify for the mortgage loans.

Miranda, the mother of Lambert and mother-in-law of Valdez, operated a tax preparation business and wrote false letters to "substantiate" the fake employment of the buyers.

Valdez, Cardoza and Lambert were indicted on five counts, Miranda was charged with four counts, and Chavarria was charged with three counts. All counts carry a possible sentence up to 20 years, according to Boente, Persichini and Campbell.

They profited by using part of the mortgage proceeds to pay thousands of dollars for "home improvement" expenses on houses they owned or controlled.

"Some of the conspirators also earned thousands of dollars in commissions on the sales," according to Boente, Persichini and Campbell. "The properties involved in the scheme have been foreclosed upon, causing substantial losses to the lenders."

The FBI and U.S. Postal Investigation Service investigated the case, which is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Edmund P. Power.

— KEN MOORE

\$991,446 Restitution

U.S. District Court Judge Liam O'Grady sentenced Donald Ray Erickson, 66, to 15 months in prison for federal income tax evasion during a hearing in federal court in Alexandria on Friday, April 17.

Erickson was ordered to pay \$991,446 in restitution and will serve two years of supervised release, according to Dana J. Boente, acting U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia.

Erickson, formerly of Fairfax, was the president of Nevada Management Company, a bearer stock company. He assisted John Marcus Green, the former founder and chief executive of a Chantilly computer-engineering firm, in concealing more than \$1.17 million that Green received from his company's work primarily as a subcontractor with the Department of Defense.

Erickson's company, MCN, owned 45 percent to 55 percent of Green's business and Erickson attempted to conceal Green's income by holding MCN as a nominee for the benefit of Green, according to statement of facts filed with Erickson's plea agreement.

Green was sentenced to 30 months in prison in July 2008.

Erickson, who pleaded guilty in January, also helped his wife evade her income taxes from 2001 through 2004, according to Boente and C. Andre Martin, of the IRS Criminal Investigation's Washington, D.C. Field Office.

Erickson helped his wife, a former Fairfax County high school math teacher, inflate the number of exemptions she claimed on W-4 forms she submitted to Fairfax County Public Schools. In one instance, she claimed she was entitled to 99 exemptions and FCPS didn't withhold income tax from her paychecks from 2001 through 2004, according to Boente and Martin.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Timothy D. Belevetz prosecuted the case, which was investigated by the IRS Criminal Investigation.

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FREDDIE RAY BLACK,
Petitioner.

vs.

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and

DARIN RAMSEY,
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and

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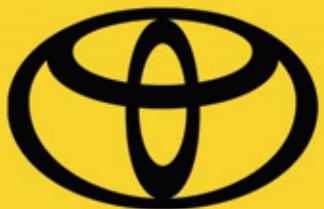
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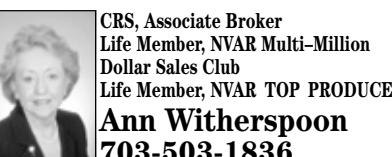
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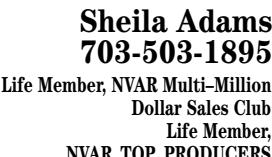


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