

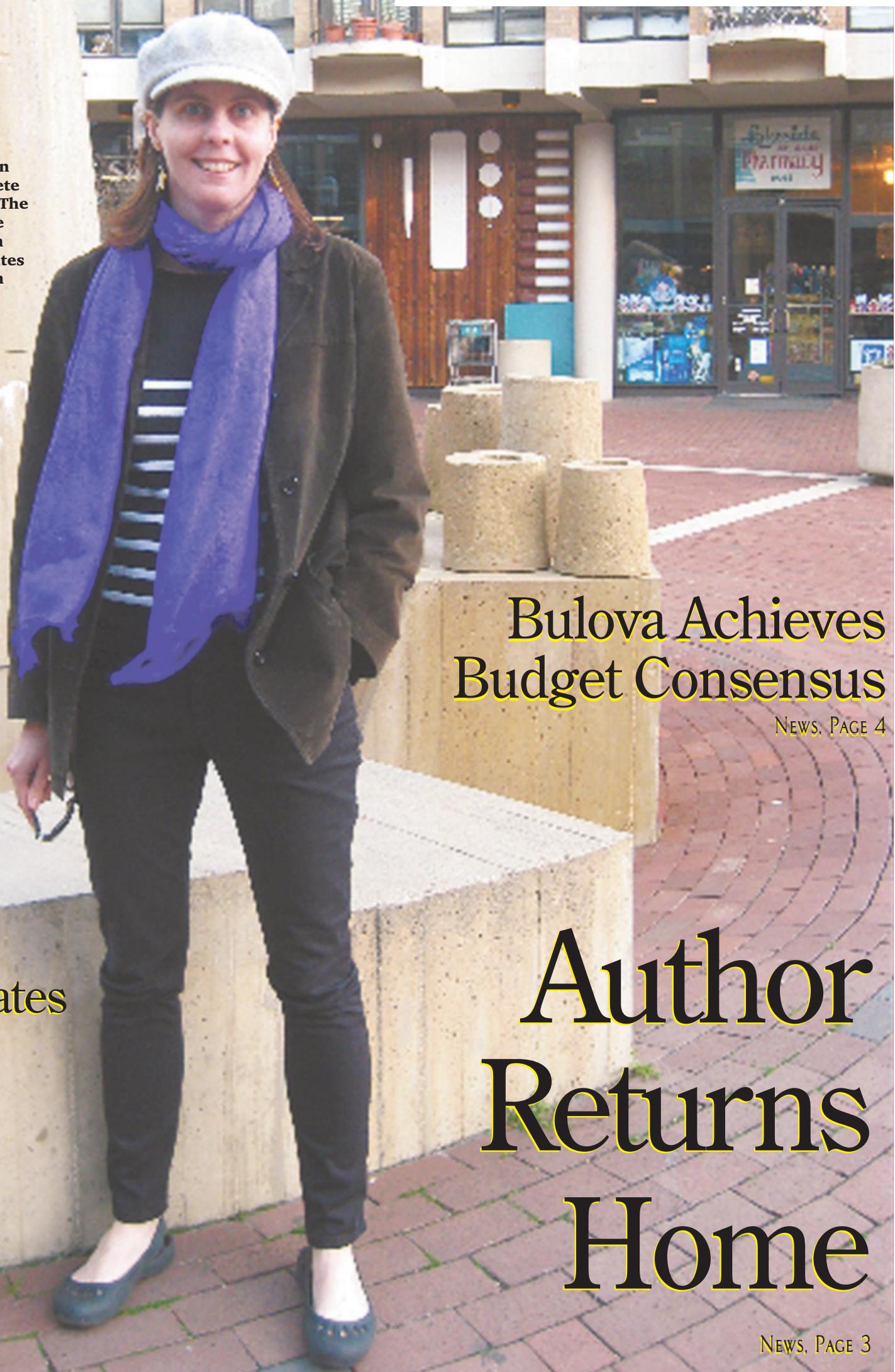
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NEWS



Meredith Cole signs her mystery novel 'Posed for Murder' at the Barnes and Noble on Fountain Drive.

Author Returns Home

Meredith Cole comes for book signing, remembers her Reston childhood.

BY MEREDITH COLE

On a book tour, authors visit strange new cities and meet lots of new people. But they also visit places they know well and see familiar faces. That was true for me in April when I returned to Reston to sign my mystery novel "Posed for Murder" at the Barnes and Noble on Fountain Drive.

Where are you from? It seems like such a simple question, but for some of us it is too complicated to answer in just one word. Growing up, my mother lived in Charlottesville, my father in Reston and I lived both places. When I was in school in Charlottesville, I spent summers and most holidays in Reston. I remember taking swim and tennis lessons, walking to the Tall Oaks shopping center, biking to Lake Anne for rope licorice and all day suckers, going to the library, learning to roller skate and listening for the ice cream truck to come up our block.

Our first home in Reston was a town house on Farsta Court. My father rented his extra room to a Concorde Pilot. He brought me the in-flight packet they gave their passengers and I was thrilled to have the sleep mask, slippers and model of the Concorde. One night, driving home, the pilot nearly ran off the road when he saw the zebras and ostriches in the fields of the Petting Zoo. He thought he'd had far too much to drink and was hallucinating.

I went to Forest Edge Elementary for fifth and sixth grade. Forest Edge was experimenting with the open classroom model at the time, and I remember it being very loud. I took French in the morning before school,

Bio

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and still credit it with helping me acquire a good accent. My teacher Mrs. Funk taught me about paragraphs, fractions and how to diagram sentences.

When my father remarried, our blended family bought a bigger house off Glade Drive. We had to get to know new kids, and our neighborhood pool was different. But we loved having a big basement to play in. In the woods behind our house, there was a constant struggle between the humans and the beavers as to who would control the landscaping, and the deer ate what they wanted from our garden.

After college, I moved back to Reston for a year to save money and find a job. I commuted for a few months to my job in Georgetown. I would wait for the bus every morning with one of the dads that lived on our street, and I felt like a real grownup. Eventually, I got my own apartment in D.C., and went American University for my master's degree in film.

My father has moved away from Reston now and has managed to find a place as Reston-like as possible in Rhode Island. So I returned for a weekend in April with my eyes open, ready to observe all the differences. Has it changed? Of course it has.

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Odyssey Takes Team To World Championship

Middle-schoolers from Reston, Great Falls win state Odyssey of the Mind competition.

BY MIKE DICICCO
THE CONNECTION

Six middle-school students from Great Falls and Reston have spent much of their free time over the last seven months or so working on a skit about the adventures of a pregnant, male demigod.

"It's been a lot of hard work, a lot of Fridays and Saturdays taken," said Alex Vagonis of Langston Hughes Middle School.

But the work has paid off. At the end of May, the students will head to Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa to compete in the Odyssey of the Mind world championship.

After placing first in the regional competition in mid-March, the group beat out the 16 other teams in its category at the statewide competition in Newport News on April 17 and 18. Within their Division II age group, they are competing in this year's Problem 3, the Lost Labor of Heracles.

In Greek mythology, Heracles had to perform 10 labors, as assigned by King Eurystheus, to atone for killing his own children, explained Great Falls resident Michael Cooper, of Kilmer Middle School. Two of those labors were not accepted, so Heracles, who later became Hercules in Roman mythology, ended up performing 12. Teams competing in this problem had to come up with a 13th labor that the demigod, offspring of Zeus and a mortal woman, had performed and a reason why that labor was lost to history.

"We thought, OK, we'll make him pregnant and he's in labor," Michael said. The reason Heracles' pregnancy went unrecorded, according to the team's story, was that the baby was so incredibly ugly that Heracles and Eurystheus didn't want anyone to know of it.

"At states, we actually won all the different scoring categories," said Michael Chan of Langston Hughes.

The teammates were judged by a panel of seven judges according to elements of their skit, their style and their impromptu responses to a series of problems presented at the competition.

At each contest, the team got feedback from the judges and could adjust their skit accordingly. For example, Michael Cooper said, in their performance at the regional



PHOTO BY MIKE DICICCO/The Connection

From left are teammates Sharon Zhao, Michael Cooper, Sean McElrath, Michael Chan and Alex Vagonis, as they hold a car wash to raise money for their trip to the Odyssey of the Mind world championship. Not pictured is Dhruv Bansal, who was out of town at the time of the car wash.

Help Fund the Odyssey

To help with the cost of the team's trip to Iowa, e-mail Pam Cooper at cooperlaw@cox.net.

competition, the pregnant Heracles ran to the hospital, which perhaps was not entirely realistic. "So I was assigned the task, in one night, of building a chariot he could ride in on."

"It's been a lot of hard work, a lot of Fridays and Saturdays taken."

— Alex Vagonis

After Cooper built the basic vehicle, other team members added to it to make it look like a chariot, which then could be pulled to the hospital by Poindexter the Nerdy Horse, as played by Alex.

The team members worked pains

SEE TEENS, PAGE 15

Missing Resident's Body Found

On Thursday, April 23 at around 4:45 p.m. two teenagers playing at Lake Fairfax Park, 1400 Lake Fairfax Drive discovered a body in a wooded area. An autopsy determined it was William Eustace, 72, of 1602 Waters Edge Lane in Reston. The medical examiner's office has not yet determined the exact cause and manner of death.

Eustace was last seen on Saturday, October 25, 2008 at around 3 p.m.

Moms For A Cure Holds Charity Event

Moms For A Cure presents Rock For A Cure at Sunset Hills Montessori Hall, 11180 Ridge Heights Road in Reston on Saturday, May 2, 7 – 11 p.m. There will be food from local restaurants, over 18 vendors participating in a pre-Mother's Day charity boutique, drinks, a performance by the Tone Rangers, live music by the Second Wind and a silent auction featuring over \$30,000 in prizes such as spa getaways, bed and breakfast trips, white water rafting, hot air balloon rides, season passes at amusement parks, golf, winery tours, concert tickets, children's birthday parties, restaurants, hotels and more. The Boy and Girl of the Year will be making an appearance as well as several of the Redskins. Admission is \$ 25 in advance and \$30 at the door. For tickets visit www.nca.llsevent.org/rock4cure or make checks payable to The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and mail them to Ari Jones-Moms For A Cure, 3507 Broadrun Drive, Fairfax, VA 22033. For more information visit www.momsforacure.com or call Ari at (703) 758-5047.

Farmers Market Reopens at Town Center

Smart Markets at Reston Town Center kicks off its second year Thursday, May 7 at a new and improved location with a new, improved and expanded selection of vendors. The guaranteed producer-only farmers' market brings together producers from three states, all of whom are friendly and engaging and each with a story to tell. Smart Markets will operate under the Town Center Pavilion every Thursday from 3:30–6:30 p.m.

Accessibility Committee Meets in Reston

The Reston Accessibility Committee (RAC) invites interested Reston residents to its meetings. The RAC works to improve accessibility for mobility-impaired persons to a variety of establishments in Reston. RAC acknowledges owners/managers of retail and service businesses that have made their premises more accessible for all customers.

Meetings are held at 10 a.m. one Saturday of every other month. The next date is May 2. The location is United Bank, 1801 Reston Parkway, Reston 20190, across the Parkway from Macaroni Grill. The entrance and parking lot are at the back of the building.

Contact Ken Fredgren at 703/391-9019 or fredgren.k@gmail.com for more information or to receive a RAC brochure.

Correction

In the April 15 story "Rec Center Alarm" the Reston Connection incorrectly stated that a proposed recreational facility at Brown's Chapel Park would be funded by the creation of a special tax district. The bond to fund the facility's construction would be paid off using existing revenue from the current tax on Small Tax District 5 that pays for Reston Community Center. Funding would primarily come from capital reserve funds.

The subsequent operational costs for running the facility would be shared by Reston Community Center and the Reston Association. Both organizations plan to provide funding for the project without raising their rates.

NEWS

County Budget Adopted

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 to 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 scraping 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.

BUT IN 2009, all the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, including Republicans, voted unanimously April 27 for Democratic chairman Sharon Bulova's 2010 budget proposal.

"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, during the budget mark up April 20.

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

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



PHOTO BY JULIA O'DONOUGHE
THE CONNECTION

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

months, giving the more conservative supervisors a confidence boost.

Bulova narrowly defeated Herrity in the 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.

RеспUBLICAN 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

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

own political ranks.

During the budget mark up, supervisors Hyland and Cathy Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill) pushed for the board to impose a \$25 annual vehicle registration fee to cover the money cut from the affordable housing preservation program. Hudgins also tried to get the other supervisors to reaffirm their commitment to affordable housing through a largely symbolic resolution April 27.

Both measures failed to pass.

"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.

During the budget mark up, 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.

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.

Bulova and other board members agreed to discuss the affordable housing program at the supervisors' retreat this summer.

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NEWS

Terraset Celebrates the Terra

Eco-friendly school throws Earth Day carnival.

When it was built into a hillside in 1977, Terraset Elementary was considered a pioneering endeavor in energy consciousness. On Sunday, April 19, the school carried on that tradition with a four-hour Earth Day celebration that included rides, games, a fun run, a silent auction, a cakewalk and more.

The fun run was dedicated to Mark Waller, a Terraset parent who died last month in a motorcycle crash, and all proceeds went into a trust fund to benefit his children. The silent auction sold off donations from local businesses, Terraset families and school staff to raise money for the school PTA's enrichment programs. These include Math SuperStars, GRACE art and after-school clubs.

— MIKE DICICCO



Cameron Marsh, 6, and Michael Quintana, 7, compete on the Earth Day Obstacle Course.



From left, Jamila Wanze and her daughter Madison, 2, along with Amia McHale, 5, ride the human-powered Whirly Bird.



PHOTOS BY MIKE DICICCO
THE CONNECTION

Caleb Waller, 4, poses with the cake he won in the cakewalk, along with his sister Hannah and their neighbor Rebecca Estrada. The afternoon's fun run was dedicated to Caleb and Hannah's father, who died in a motorcycle crash last month.

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OPINION

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Mother's Day is Sunday, May 10, and once again the Connection will publish a gallery of Mother's Day photos.

Send in photos as soon as possible, including names of everyone in the picture, the date the picture was taken, the ages of the children, a sentence or two about what is happening and where the photograph was taken. Be sure to include your town name and neighborhood.

We prefer digital photos, but we also accept prints. We will do our best to return hard copies of photos that include a self-addressed stamped envelope for that purpose, but please do not send us any photos that cannot be replaced.

EDITORIAL

THE CONNECTION'S photographers, Robbie Hammer and Louise Kraft won almost every possible award this year in the Virginia Press Association news contest. But they cannot attend even a significant fraction of the many newsworthy, photogenic events that occur around our communities every week.

Many of our readers are accomplished photographers, and many more perfectly competent with their point and shoot digital camera. We invite you to send us photos and a short

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Send photos to The Connection, Mother's Day Photo Gallery, 7913 Westpark Drive, McLean, VA 22102.

Father's Day, Sunday, June 21, will be here by the time we blink, and we will also accept Father's Day photos, with the same guidelines.

write-up of any local event you think might interest us.

Some examples: events, awards or other happenings at schools; fairs, charity events or any other gathering at a house of worship; a photo celebrating the anniversary of a business; a photo celebrating a local couple's milestone anniversary; engagement and wedding announcements; graduations; Eagle Scout projects and ceremonies; youth sports teams with trophies; community service projects by families, individuals or teams of employees; almost anything else you can imagine.

We prefer digital photos emailed along with the write-up. Be sure to include the name of everyone in the photo including where they live; we will almost certainly not use a photo if people are not identified. Please include age, grade and school for young people. And a paragraph or two that says where and when the event took place and what is happening. Include a phone number in case we have any questions.

Email photos to reston@connectionnewspapers.com.

— MARY KIMM,

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LETTERS

Community Has A Final Say

To the Editor:

We would like to provide clarification of several items in the Rec Center story ["Rec Center Alarm," Reston Connection, April 15-21]. The RCC is not seeking to create another tax district; funds to build a new facility will come from a capital bond referendum, not a referendum to add to the current tax rate or create another tax district. The current RCC Board of Governors policy requires that not more than 25 percent of its costs can be recovered through user fees, not 27 percent.

The picture of Browns Chapel in the article is not a plan. The RA/RCC Joint Task Force requested analysis of the site with respect to general square footage requirements of all the desired amenities the Task Force is seeking to support, as well as the potential range for parking required. No plans have been finalized, nor has any design or engineering work been done. None will be done until the community has weighed in regarding what amenities are wanted and what kind of building and parking should be associated with what Reston wants. As noted in the article, we are very interested in hearing from the community

about what they want in the way of added recreation amenities and how they should be housed. To that end, we are scheduling a series of hearings, focus group meetings and discussions to obtain community input. We will not make any decisions until after this community-wide effort is completed. Meeting schedules and related information and materials will be posted on both Reston Association and Reston Community Center's Web sites. We welcome everyone's participation in designing Reston's recreation future.

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Alarm Over Home Care

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

Government at all levels is facing two challenges that conflict with each other: scarce resources exacerbated by the economic recession and an aging population requiring new and sometimes costly services. Medicaid that provides health care funding for those in need is the fastest growing segment of state budgets. With rising health care costs and an aging and growing population requiring assistance, states face difficult choices. People are living longer than ever before, and their end of life care is more expensive when it can involve many years in a nursing home.



A recent Insight on the Issues report, "Taking the Long View: Investing in Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services is Cost-Effective" (March, 2009), by the AARP Public Policy Institute (www.aarp.org/ppi) found that states that promote home and community-based services over institutional care have had the effect of slowing the growth in Medicaid long term care expenditures while at the same time improving consumer choices.

in their homes as long as possible, the AARP study found that there is an institutional care bias in the rules that govern Medicaid spending. In fact, home and community based care is an option under current Medicaid rules. The AARP report raises an alarm that in the current fiscal crisis there may be a tendency to cut optional services such as home and community based care.

The report offers compelling reasons why home and community based programs should not be reduced. I will be working in the state legislature to maintain the home and community care option as a way to reduce the cost of long term care and to preserve consumer choice.

NEWS

Thousands of books in a variety of genres were available for sale as a fund-raising event at the Reston Regional Library on Sunday as part of the library's semi-annual book sale last weekend.



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Book Sale Attracts Area Book Lovers



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WEDNESDAY/APRIL 29

Live Improv: 9:30 p.m., Paolo's Ristorante, Reston Town Center, 11900 Market St., Reston. Interactive improv games with audience suggestions and participation in the style of the television show "Who's Line is it Anyway?" will be played. Free. Call 703-318-8920 or visit www.paolos.com.

FRIDAY/MAY 1

Laughing Stock. The Reston Community Players (RCP) closes their 42nd season with the backstage comedy Laughing Stock by Charles Morey with 7 performances in three weekends. Reston Community Center's CenterStage, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston, VA. Box Office: (703) 476-4500. Performance Schedule: Friday and Saturday Evenings - May 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16 at 8 p.m. Sunday Matinee: May 10 at 2:30 p.m. The Saturday, May 9 performance will be sign interpreted for the deaf and hearing impaired. Tickets, ranging from \$15 - \$18, may be purchased by calling (703) 476-4500, online at www.raptix.com or in person at the Reston Community Center box office. Information and directions www.restonplayers.org. **Swing Dance:** 8:30 p.m.-12 a.m., Hilton Washington Dulles Airport Hotel, 13869 Park Center Road, Herndon. "The Grandsons" will play live as you swing dance. A beginner

The Reston Chorale will perform Brahms' "Ein deutsches Requiem, Opus 45" at their Spring Concert Saturday, May 9 at 8 p.m. at the Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. The performance will include a specially commissioned piece in honor of the Chorale's Artistic Director Fred Wygal (pictured), who will be retiring after this season after 27 years of leading and directing the Reston Chorale. \$20/adults, \$15/seniors and youth. Call 703-476-1111 or stop by the Community Center Box Office for tickets.

swing lesson will be held 8:30-9 p.m., followed by dancing 9 p.m.-12 a.m. \$15/person. Call 703-359-9882 or visit www.gottaswing.com.

Reston V.I.P. 2 p.m., Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Support for people with vision loss. Adults only. Call 703-689-2700.

SATURDAY/MAY 2

Pet Fiesta. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Intersection of Market Street and Fountain Square, Reston. This celebration for pets and pet lovers includes a dog walk, pet adoption, contests, exhibitors, Fashion Show and more. On-leash pets of all kinds are welcome. Free. Visit www.petfiesta.org.

Community Day and Housing Fair. 12-4 p.m., Herndon Neighborhood Resource Center, 1086 Elder St., Herndon. The ninth annual Community Day and Housing Fair, an afternoon featuring performers, children's programs, nature programs and food offerings will provide information for first time homebuyers on a variety of topics. Call 703-435-6830 or visit www.herndon.va.gov.

Rock for a Cure. 7 p.m., Sunset Hills Montessori Hall, 11180 Ridge Heights Road, Reston. Join the "Moms for a Cure" team at the fundraiser for The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. There will be food, drinks, performances by The Tone Rangers and Second Wind and silent auction. \$25/person in advance, \$30/at door. Call 703-758-5047 or visit www.momsforacure.com.

Mother Nature's Tea Party. 10-11 a.m., RA Temporary Road Pavilion, 1750 N. Shore Drive, Reston. Celebrate Mother Earth over "tea" and

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Yard Sale. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., parking lot of RA Main Office, 1930 Isaac Newton Square, Reston. Browse among myriad items as more than 100 families will be selling. Vendor space sold out. Call 703-435-6577.

Sing-Along. 10:30 a.m., Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Enjoy a sing-along with Miss Belle. Ages birth-5 with an adult. Call 703-689-2700.

SUNDAY/MAY 3

"Lost & Found." Unitarian Universalist Church, 1625 Wiehle Ave., Reston. Artist Anita Bucsay Damron's paintings and mosaics will be on display in the exhibition entitled "Lost & Found." The exhibit can be viewed during times the church is open, but check which specific times the exhibit can be viewed, as other functions are taking place concurrently.

Children's Authors Roundtable. 1-4 p.m., Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Join children's authors in a roundtable discussion. Panelists include Maha Adahsi, Tami Lewis Brown, Cyndy Cotton, Alison Hart and Joan Waites. Free. Registration required; call 703-689-2700.

Chamber Music Concert. 5 p.m., Washington Plaza Baptist Church, 1615 Washington Plaza, Reston. Jessica Bateman and Alex Hodge and the Washington Sinfonietta Quintet will perform. Call 703-471-5225.

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TUESDAY/MAY 5

Shilpa Agarwal. Barnes & Noble, 1851 Fountain Drive, Reston. Author Shilpa Agarwal will be at Barnes & Noble to introduce her new book "Haunting Bombay." Call 703-437-8147.

Big Truck Days. 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Public Works Complex, 1479 Sterling Road, Herndon. The Town of Herndon's Department of Public Works hosts its annual "Big Truck Days," an opportunity for children and their parents to see the town's big trucks and heavy equipment on display. The town will be collecting non-perishable food donations for the needy. "Big Truck Days" attendees are encouraged to bring donations. Call 703-435-6860.

We Love Mom Storytime. 11 a.m., Herndon Fortnightly Library, 768 Center St., Herndon. Celebrate Mother's Day with stories, songs and a craft. Ages 2-3 with an adult. Call 703-437-8855.

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Backfire raises money for Reston Interfaith.

Teen rock band Backfire will perform at Jammin' Java in Vienna on May 2 at 2 p.m. The performance will benefit Reston Interfaith and is open to all ages. Backfire is from Oak Hill, and band members Matt Moskowitz, Sean Kerrigan, Matt Summerill and Chris Eldering range in age from 14 to 16.

The band, which formed in early 2008, has played at competitions and charity events at venues including Jammin' Java, Jaxx and the 9:30 Club. The group has also been playing paid gigs and receives regular requests to play at community events and teen parties.

Backfire plays a blend of classic and newer songs. Typical covers include "Highway to Hell," "Walk this Way" and "Jessie's Girl," as well as newer tunes like "In Too Deep" and "Check Yes Juliet." Last summer the band also wrote several original songs.

For more information and tickets, visit www.wearebackfire.com or www.jamminjava.com/home/events/backfire-fundraising-performance-for-reston-interfaith.

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OPINION

Carbon Folly

BY JACK KENNY
 PAST PRESIDENT, REPUBLICAN CLUB OF GREATER RESTON



A DIFFERING POINT OF VIEW

The Progressives (or whatever they are calling themselves these days) keep pushing the Cap and Trade proposal of the current administration. The annual celebration of Earth Day appears to be another opportunity to push faulty science. Indeed, our local delegate, Kenneth Plum (D-36) in an opinion column (Reston Connection, April 22-28) cites the since discredited Al Gore movie "An Inconvenient Truth" as fact. Doubtless, there are a number of actions we can take: recycling, properly disposing of hazardous materials, supporting some renewable resources (although wind generation is a poor investment prospect once you get out of the three-year tax subsidy). The low wattage, electrically efficient light bulbs still pose a hazardous problem — break one and you have a

serious spill of mercury requiring professional clean up.

Unfortunately, the global warming solution downslide proposed by the progressives will virtually destroy our current standard of living. We are being dragged into draconian solutions imposed by federal government bureaucrats. Radical? Extreme? Out of touch with current science? The same people who put penguins at the North Pole and polar bears at the South Pole.

Astronomers and astrophysicists tell us we are moving into Cycle 24 of the Earth's wobble. Yes, Planet Earth wobbles in yet to be determined precisely define axis! As it wobbles the amount of sunlight reach each hemisphere changes with the wobble. Scientists do not know nor can they predict when each wobble will occur, how long it will last, or how much

LETTERS

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live here is that Reston, unlike many other communities, has always understood the importance of preserving open green spaces. Therefore, I found it both ironic and sad that on Earth Day I sat in a RA Board Meeting where they talked about destroying a beloved park. How has our board gotten so out of touch with the values that Reston has always represented?

Sitting in the meeting it was woefully obvious that RA never considered the needs of the people who will be most impacted by this project: the nearby residents and the current users of the park. They are now scrambling to repair the damage, but they still have it wrong. They are not listening to what we have to say. Instead they are trying to wage a PR campaign to get everyone on their side. I found it interesting when one of RA's own Board members asked the question why didn't we include the affected parties when we conducted the focus groups, after all we included the tennis community. Clearly, RA stacked the focus groups with the folks that they wanted to hear from. RA doesn't even have a good understanding of who uses the current parks facilities.

The idea that Reston Association's proposed indoor recreation complex is being built be-

cause of the needs of the community is a myth made up by RA and RCC. There are many indoor recreation facilities with memberships currently available in the area. RA states that existing health clubs are prohibitively expensive and that they want to provide a low-cost alternative. The YMCA offers a very reasonably priced membership with aquatic facilities and a multitude of children's programs (\$104/month for a family with two adults and all their children). Furthermore, the YMCA even provides financial assistance for people who can't afford to pay the fees. Additionally, indoor tennis is available at Worldgate and many clubs in the Tysons area.

The truth is that the current Brown's Chapel Park meets the recreation needs of the community. The baseball fields and batting cages are used in spring, summer and fall by two youth baseball leagues with hundreds of members each. Many Reston Association camps are held at the park every summer serving the needs of many families. I've been to numerous school picnics held at the park and don't forget about the yearly Asian Festival. On any given day, those of us who live along the path see residents from all over Reston using the park: joggers, people walking dogs, families with children who play on the playground or on the basketball

more or less heat Mother Earth would absorb.

They do know, from geologic and ice cores going back many thousands of years it has happened. Scientists have yet to measure and determine the amount of the sun's various emissions and how they affect the warmth of the Earth received from the sun. Suffice to say, the sun's influence on our tiny planet has yet to be determined. We do know that the impact CO2 is an insignificant percentage of the effect of the sun.

On Thursday evening April 30, 2009 (the day after this Connection hits the streets), Don D. Dears will deliver a presentation on "Carbon Folly," the hocus pocus of global warming at the Lake Anne Reston Community Center in the Gallery. Dears, a retired General Electric senior executive, a former resident of Reston and vice president of the Reston Association offers a presentation on the impact of the ill-advised Cap and Trade Proposal. Gather at 7 p.m. for refreshments. Hear the scientific facts at 7:30 p.m.

courts. They go to Browns Chapel Park because of its beauty, tranquility and outdoor facilities. If RA has their way they will destroy the very thing that people value most about Browns Chapel.

It seems the only people who are not happy with Browns Chapel Park the way it is now is the tennis community. Should everyone else lose a valuable resource just to make a few tennis enthusiasts happy.

Amy Justice
 Reston

Lake Anne Site For RA HQ

Open Letter to Robin Smyers, President of RA:

This is to request a meeting with you and your team at the earliest possible moment to discuss the feasibility of bringing RA headquarters to a specific site in Lake Anne Village. I would bring with me Doug Carter and David Ross to support my proposal. We would be more than happy to assist in the negotiations with the interested parties: your landlord, Aspo. Inter-faith, Fairfax County officials, RCRC, RCA, and ARCH.

Bob Simon
 Reston

NEWS



Volunteers from the Hunter Mill Coat Closet in Reston were honored for their service by Hunter Mill District Supervisor Catherine Hudgins during the 2009 Fairfax County Volunteer Service Awards ceremony on April 24 at the Fairview Park Marriott.

Volunteers Receive Recognition

PHOTOS BY ROBBIE HAMMER
THE CONNECTION

SCHOOL NOTES

Aline Beaumont of South Lakes High School was named a Gold Award winner at the national level in the National Scholastic Art Awards.

Michael Cavalieri, Leslie Fishpaw and **Christopher Tjoumas** of Reston were honored at Virginia Tech's fall Graduate Commencement ceremony Dec. 15.

Lake Anne Elementary was recognized as an official Certified Wildlife Habitat site by the National Wildlife Federation. In order to become certified, a property must provide the four basic elements that all wildlife needs—food, water, cover, and places to raise young—and must use sustainable gardening practices. The habitat at Lake Anne consists of a pollinator garden including a pond; a sponge garden, which is a natural way of filtering water; native plant species; and bird feeders.

Kevin L. Moore, Michael Chirila, Tracy L. Tato and Zeb Barcus of Reston were named to Marymount University's Delta Epsilon Sigma National Honor Society. To be eligible, undergraduates must have completed 75 percent of their requirements with at least a 3.5 grade point average.

The **Sunrise Valley Elementary Green Team** has received a Johnnie Forte, Jr., Memorial Grant to support the school's butterfly garden. The Green Team, a sixth grade leadership team, will use the funds to purchase a composter to recycle leaves and grass clippings gathered at the school. Once it is ready, the compost produced by the recycling will enrich the soil of the butterfly garden. The garden is available to all Sunrise Valley classes as they study science and stewardship of the environment. Contact principal Elizabeth English at 703-715-3800 or elizabeth.english@fcps.edu.



Christin Klaff of Reston, representing the Childhelp Children's Center of Virginia, accepts the Adult Volunteer Group Award on behalf of the organization. Klaff also received the Raising Star Award.



Barbara Sorenson, of Reston, was presented with the Adult Volunteer (250 hours and over) Award for her volunteer work with Vecinos Unidos-Neighbors United.



Ivan Young of Reston was awarded with the Senior Volunteer Award for his volunteer work with Reston Interfaith and Arts Council of Fairfax County and the International Children's Festival.

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SPORTS

Seahawks Ready for Postseason Breakthrough

Seahawks' boys team is playing its best lacrosse at the right time.

BY RICH SANDERS
THE CONNECTION

With the Liberty District tournament set to begin Friday, May 1, the South Lakes High boys' lacrosse team is playing at a high level. The Seahawks reached the .500 mark for the season with a pair of wins at its own Live, Laugh, Love Invitational, on Saturday, April 25. At the second annual, three-team benefit event, South Lakes won both of its games, triumphs over Dominion High of the Dulles District and Yorktown High of the National District.

South Lakes, with the two wins, improved its overall record to 5-5 this season. The team was set to conclude the regular season with a district home game against Jefferson on Tuesday, April 28, before beginning postseason play on Friday.

The Live, Laugh, Love event benefited school programs at both South Lakes and local Reston elementary school Sunrise Valley. The annual tournament is dedicated to Anita Cox, a popular team lacrosse parent who died last year. Cox's son, since-graduated Trevor Cox, was a senior member of the Seahawks' lacrosse team last spring. Currently, he is attending New York University on an academic scholarship.

The benefit tournament took place for the first time last year in memory of Anita Cox. South Lakes head coach Matt Blamey said

he hopes to run the late season tournament every year.

"It was a great day," said Blamey, of Saturday's high school lacrosse extravaganza, which not only honored Anita Cox but included South Lakes' Senior Night festivities.

Prior to its 7:30 p.m. contest against Yorktown, the Seahawks conducted pre-game Senior Night ceremonies to celebrate the high school careers of the Seahawks' 13 varsity players. Also recognized were the team's three 12th grade managers.

"This is a senior class that has turned this program around," said Blamey. "It was a pretty emotional night for me and them. The kids have been great, and their parents have been great."

THE SOUTH LAKES seniors have helped turn the program's fortunes around on the field. Last year, South Lakes, which in past years had struggled to win games, put together a competitive squad that finished the spring with a 6-7 record, certainly nothing to be ashamed about. This season, the team is once again winning its fair share of games.

South Lakes is focused on qualifying for this season's 16-team Northern Region playoffs, set to begin in two weeks. In order to do so, the Seahawks must win their first round district tournament contest this Friday night. The team's first round opponent was yet to be determined going into this

week's action. South Lakes, prior to Tuesday's regular season finale against Jefferson, was 2-4 in district play.

A year ago, South Lakes saw its season end with a first round district tournament loss to Jefferson, a setback that ended the Seahawks' bid for a region tournament seeding and also ended their hopes of finishing .500 or better.

South Lakes has had outstanding seasons this spring from senior captains Ed Reed, Tyler Harned, Will Johnson and Alex Golembieski, a foursome that has played at a high caliber on the field and proven to be solid team leaders as well.

Reed, a defenseman and third-year team captain, will play lacrosse at Gettysburg College next year.

Harned, one of the better midfielders in the region, at times has been asked to play a variety of other positions this spring as a result of injuries to other players. He has played exceptional lacrosse whatever position he has been at.

"He's probably the smartest player I've ever coached," said Blamey, of Reed. "He always knows where to be."

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— Matt Blamey, South Lakes High Boys' Lacrosse Coach

Meanwhile, Johnson, whom Blamey calls his "Iron Horse midfielder," is one of the fastest players around. He has emerged into a true scoring threat this season.

Blamey, the Seahawks' sixth year coach, said his team has also received a stellar season from Golembieski, a midfielder who has won 65 percent of his face-offs.

"That's one of the best [percentages] in the region," said Blamey. "He's allowed us to possess the ball."

BLAMEY said his team struggled a bit following the recent spring break but has played better of late. He's hoping South Lakes carries its current high level of play into the postseason. South Lakes' wins this season have come over Wakefield, McLean, Marshall, Dominion and Yorktown.

On Saturday at the Live, Laugh, Love benefit, South Lakes defeated Dominion, 6-4, and Yorktown, 7-3. The latter game was halted midway through the third quarter as a result of a lightning storm that hit the area.

"We went into the day saying, 'This is a day about our seniors,'" said Blamey. "The Dominion game was a tough one. After that win, I said, 'All right guys, the day's [work] is half over.'"

South Lakes, throughout the season, has worn the initials, "JA," on its helmets in memory of former teammate Josh Anderson, who died earlier this spring. Anderson played a defender position.

"It's been an emotional year," said Blamey. "Earlier in the year, the guys lost a teammate. The team has had its ups and downs but they've pulled together."

SPORTS ROUNDUPS

Reston Youth Association is sponsoring a winter cheerleading clinic. The registration fee is \$35. Practices are through May 21, Monday and Thursday, 6-7:30 p.m. at Langston Hughes Middle School in Reston. Invite a friend and learn new skills while getting in shape for the fall season. For more information, contact Traci Waller at TraciWaller@aol.com, or call 703-391-0206.

Reston Little League will host the Little League Virginia State 10-11-Year Old Tournament in July. The tournament will bring the top teams in the state to compete in a four-day, double-elimination all-star tournament. Teams from each of Virginia's 16 Little League Districts will be represented. The tournament will be played at Fred Crabtree Park, the home fields of Reston Little League.

The Reston Triathlon Association has decided on a date of registration for the 2009 Reston



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The Virginia Elite Volleyball Club, a local girls' team made up of 17-year olds, earned the Chesapeake Region and metropolitan area's first-ever open bid to the upcoming USA Volleyball Junior Olympic National Championships. They earned the national bid as a result of their stellar outing at the Northeast National Qualifiers in Baltimore the weekend of April 17-19. There, the Elite defeated teams from North Carolina, Colorado, California and Texas.

Triathlon, which will take place on Sunday, Sept. 13. Triathletes can only register online for this event on Monday, Dec. 1 beginning at 7:30 p.m. Visit restontriathlon.org

for full information. Cost is \$125 for USAT members and \$135 for registration and one day USAT membership. The race is a 1-mile swim in Lake Audubon, 22.3-mile



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Mary Claire Shaffer and her 13-under, HRYL teammates defeated Great Falls, 8-4, in recent Northern Virginia Youth Lacrosse League action. The local Herndon-Reston league teams, both boys and girls, will be competing in week five games this weekend. For the latest HRYL report, go to connectionnewspapers.com, then go to Reston Sports.

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Childhood Neighborhood Revisited

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THE RESTON TOWN CENTER - My first stop in Reston was my book reading and signing for "Posed for Murder" at the Barnes and Noble at the Spectrum Center. I remember a time when the area was just fields. Now there are lots of houses there, a Trader Joe's and a Target. I feel disoriented, and keep checking maps and asking for directions. Luckily, I have a job to do. I arrive at the Barnes and Noble, and let old friends come find me.

HUNTING HORN LANE - We dropped in and visit neighbors on our old street. I went by our old house. The new owners have put in steps in the yard and changed the landscaping. The neighbors said they've changed the inside too, but I'm glad not to see it. I like remembering the way it was.

We took a walk down to the creek and playground. It looked reassuringly familiar. There wasn't much room to build more houses there, although other towns would have probably squeezed more buildings in

and sacrificed the woods. I'm glad there was a master plan to keep green space and Reston resisted.

LAKE ANNE - We went to dinner at Jasmine at Lake Anne with family friends. There was a wedding going on, and we watched the bride and groom get their pictures taken by the lake. I used to climb on the concrete sculptures as a child, back when my dad sold lamps at the craft fair. The concrete looked a little old and worn. But then I'm older, too.

I write books set in Williamsburg, Brooklyn, where I live now, and it couldn't be more different than Reston. But the books I checked out of the Reston Regional Library, the creative writing class I took at Langston Hughes, the quiet walks I took through the woods, the plays I performed in at the Reston Community Center, all these contributed to me becoming a writer. And brought me back for a visit to see something familiar — and something completely new in Reston on my book tour.

Area Teens Meet the World

FROM PAGE 3

takingly on their props. For example, Sharon Zhao, of Langston Hughes, said, the backdrops were made with bits of tissue paper glued to bed sheets. "It looks really nice, but it took a while," she said.

"I'm probably most looking forward to meeting all these people from all over the world."

— Michael Cooper

"They're an extraordinary group of kids and they kept me laughing," said Dave Cooper, who was one of the team's two coaches. As a coach, he was not allowed to contribute to the group's solution but had the role of "guiding them and keeping them generally productive, within the bounds that you can keep a group of 14-year-olds focused and productive," he said.

"I am just in total awe of these kids. They're just amazing," said Amy McElrath, mother of team member Sean McElrath, adding that strong teamwork set the group apart. "They all bring something different to the table, and it's all good," she said.

The students met in the GT pro-

gram at Forest Edge Elementary School in Reston, and some have known each other since first grade. A few of them have competed together in Odyssey of the Mind for the last four years, while others joined more recently. This is the first year that all six have been on the team, and it's the first time any of them have made it to the world championship.

"So going to worlds on one of our first tries, it's amazing," Alex said.

Last year's world championship drew more than 950 teams from 30 countries, Michael Cooper said.

Alex noted that each team could choose a country that it wanted its "buddy team" to have come from. Members of buddy teams generally exchange contact information and keep in touch. "It's like a cultural festival within Odyssey of the Mind," she said.

"The closing ceremonies and the parties are these huge, huge deals," Michael Cooper said. The parties include a teen party, a preteen party and a "coaches' recovery party."

"I'm probably most looking forward to meeting all these people from all over the world," Michael said.

The team is now raising money to help fund the trip, which costs about \$1,500 per family. A car wash at the Exxon in Great Falls last Saturday had netted almost \$900 by 2 p.m. The next fund raiser has not yet been planned, but Michael Cooper said the group was considering making a presentation to the Great Falls Optimist Club.

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Stunning Gulick home w/5BR, 4.5BA provides year round beauty just off North Hills cul-de-sac. Gracious floorplan, elegant appointments, expansive decking w/upper seating/BBQ, fenced deck & terrace surrounding inground pool. Gorgeous kitchen updates, walkout boasts 5th BR, kitchenette, massive rec rm & game rm.

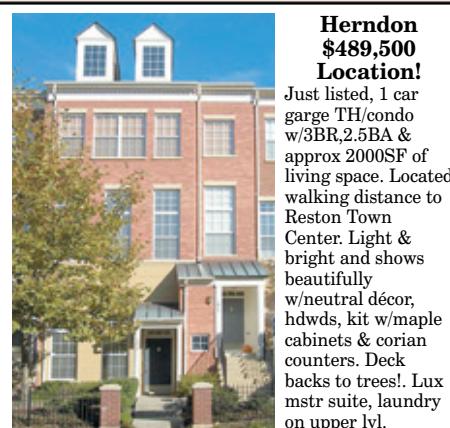


Reston \$459,900

Lake Anne Living!

Walk to the Inlet dock or stroll down the path & dine at the Plaza from this huge 4BR TH backing to the woods. Enchanting patio courtyard, hdwds, new carpeting in basement, w/o lwr lvl, 1st flr FR w/FP & mid level deck & carport.

Karen Swanson 703-795-9970
www.KarenSellsLakeAnne.com



Herndon
\$489,500
Location!

Just listed, 1 car garage TH/condo w/3BR, 2.5BA & approx 2000SF of living space. Located walking distance to Reston Town Center. Light & bright and shows beautifully w/neutral décor, hdwds, kit w/maple cabinets & corian counters. Deck backs to trees! Lux mstr suite, laundry on upper lvl.



Reston \$850,000

Spectacular!

Soaring ceiling, creative angles, skylight, neutral decorator finishes in desirable N Reston. 1st floor master ste w/luxury BA, 2 story great rm. Open kit w/center island & breakfast area. Huge fin w/o basement w/5th BR & full BA. Peaceful setting w/fenced rear yard backing to trees. Must see!



Call Marnie 703-509-3107 marnie.schaar@LNF.com



\$529,999

North Hills Neighborhood

Stylish garage TH in popular Windsor Park cluster w/3BR, 3.5BA, hdwds, granite, recessed lights, soaring ceilings, whole house sound system, deck, patio, study, built-in wet bar & gas FP in walk-out LL, backing to trees & walking trails. Minutes to schools, shops, pool, tennis.

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Reston \$579,000

What's Not to Love?

Stunning updates to charming New England style home make it appealing to both traditional & contemp tastes. Warm hdwds, dramatic arched openings between rms, gour kit w/maple cbnts, granite counters & Jenn-Aire SS appl + a main lvl master ste are just a few of the special features. 4BR, 3.5BA in a convenient N Reston location.



Reston \$260,000
Great Goodman Carriage Home!

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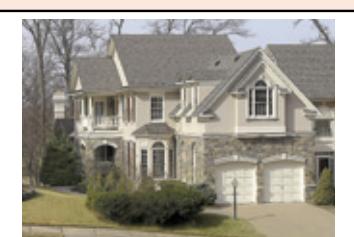


Leesburg \$659,000

Warmth & Elegance

4BR, 4.5BA with expansive views, 2 story FR & foyer, hardwoods, stone FP, library, front porch, gourmet kit, fin lwr lvl, 2 decks! Call Michelle 703-599-8141 Michelle.Whalen@LNF.com

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Potomac Falls \$979,000

Trump National Washington DC

Stunning home located on the 13th fairway on the new Trump National Championship Golf Course. 5BR, 5.5BA w/main lvl hdwds & master suite, gour kit, 6FP's. Fin lower lvl walk out w/sunroom, guest ste, full kit & bar. Incredible sunsets & short walk to the Potomac River. Open House May 10th 1-4. Perfect Mother's Day Gift! Lynda Kay 703-915-0574 Lynda.kay@longandfoster.com

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Clifton \$949,900

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