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Reston Community Center Executive Director Leila Gordon, left, and Reston Community Center Board of Governor's Chairman Carol Ann Bradley, right, accept a plaque honoring the center from Supervisor Cathy Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill).

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Supervisor Cathy Hudgins, Reston Community Center Executive Director Leila Gordon and former and current members of the Reston Community Center Board of Governors gather for a photo op at the reception with performers Mandy Patinkin and Kathryn Grody, front row, center. The current RCC Board of Governors comprises Chairman Carol Ann Bradley, Vice Chair Bill Boule, Beverly Cosham, William Keefe, Colin Mills, William Penniman, Claudine Varesi, Cathy Vivona and John Gasson.

## Center Changes With Community

### Reston Community Center celebrates 30th anniversary.

By ANNA McCORMALLY  
THE CONNECTION

This past weekend, the Reston Community Center sold out two nights in a row as the center celebrated its 30th anniversary. Actor Mandy Patinkin, who performed on Saturday, May 23, and wife Kathryn Grody, who performed on Friday, May 22, were invited to the community center as the grand finale of the 30th season's Reunion Series, which began in September and included a variety of performances from solo violin to taiko drumming.

"It was wildly exciting to have two full houses, one after the other, for such superior stuff," said Reston founder Robert E. Simon Jr., of the anniversary celebration.

Leila Gordon, Reston Community Center's executive director, was also pleased with the turnout. She named Patinkin's Saturday evening performance as one of her favorites in her time at Reston. Gordon was omnipresent throughout the evening, going from group to group in the lobby before Patinkin's performance, greeting audience members by name and hugging many of them.

"Can't you feel that?" Gordon said after the performance, referring to the tangible sense of familiarity, comfort and community in the room.

A RECEPTION following Patinkin's performance honored the community center, which was founded in 1979 and continues to provide a place for the community to

come together today, through programs, classes and entertainment for community members of all ages. Supervisor Cathy Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill District) presented a plaque to the center to honor its commitment and achievement in community building over the last 30 years. James Allred, who was the first chairman of Reston Community Center's board of governors and instrumental in the creation of the center, was also honored for the five years he spent organizing the center's creation. Other former and current members of the Board of Governors were also present, including Chairman Carol Ann Bradley, who accepted the plaque from Hudgins along with Gordon.

"The role the center has played in its entire history is to let the community kind of drive itself," said Gordon, of the community center's role in Reston. She cited bridge clubs, high school graduation parties and children's acting workshops that take place at the center as examples. "The center is the vehicle, but the community is the driver."

Hudgins agreed with Gordon on that point. "I've always said that the center is what we as a community make of it," she said. "We have dance programs, we have youth programs, we have entertainers from everywhere. ... I'm always reminded when I come back here how important it is."

**COMMUNITY MEMBERS** who take advantage of the center said they feel connected to it. "We come whenever we can," Ruth Moe, longtime Reston resident said. Moe subscribes to the season's plays and called Reston Community Center a true forum for the arts in the town of Reston. "We're very lucky as Restonians to have this."

Karen Seneca, who has been a resident of Reston for 35 years, and Tom Imler, who

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— Supervisor Cathy Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill District)

has lived in Vienna since 1987 but takes advantage of the community center's programs, also shared fond memories of the center.

Since the center was built, Seneca has taken computer and cooking classes, recently finished a course in photography and returned to see all of Mandy Patinkin's performances at the center. Her favorite memory of the center? "The African gumboot dancers," she said, and also mentioned a performance of "Winnie the Pooh" that the Young Actors Theatre class did one year. "My daughter was Winnie."

Imler, who enjoys coming to the center's shows, recalled attending children's piano recitals there. "I'm sorry more people don't take advantage of it," he said of the center.

Simon said that perhaps not as many take advantage of the center as possible. "I think probably 53 percent of the people in Reston don't know it's here, and the 37 percent [that do know] love it," he said.

As the center moves forward from this 30-year landmark, Gordon is optimistic and open to the idea of expanding the center's programs to attract as many as possible. "To the extent that the community wants to expand opportunities for people to gather, expand opportunities for recreation, for more experiences for the arts, for all the things that we do, we'll expand to meet that need," she said. "As Reston grows, and as we grow older, and our needs and our desires change, we will change with the community."



PHOTO BY BARRY WHEELER  
Christopher Zimmerman, here as guest conductor of the Fairfax Symphony last month, has been named the symphony's new music director.

## Fairfax Symphony: Great Expectations

Last Wednesday, May 21, the board of the Fairfax Symphony named Christopher Zimmerman as its new music director.

"I want to give people music that is entertaining, but music that is food for thought, food for their heart and soul. It has to be more than toe-tapping," Zimmerman said.

Six guest conductors — chosen from 249 applicants across the globe — auditioned at the six Masterworks Concerts to be the orchestra's first new music director in 37 years.

The standing ovation 1,200 patrons of the Fairfax Symphony Orchestra gave guest conductor Christopher Zimmerman on May 2 garnered four curtain calls.

"He immediately took command ... and knew exactly what he wanted," said Tim Wade, principal second violinist who has performed with the orchestra for 29 years. "He knew his scores inside and out, and at the same time, he was a joy to watch — his movements, his facial expressions. His musicality is outstanding, he knows just what to say."

"You have a window of opportunity to really make a big splash," said Elizabeth Murphy, executive director.

Visit [www.fairfaxesymphony.org](http://www.fairfaxesymphony.org) or call 703-563-1990 to order tickets, \$25 and up (\$15 for students), for the 2009-2010 season.

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## WEEK IN RESTON



Students from Hunters Wood Elementary School play at one of the several arts and crafts stations during lunchtime.

## Very Special Arts Festival

For the 27th consecutive year, the Reston Community Center has opened its doors to over 500 area students of all abilities for the Very Special Arts Festival, a two-day event focused on celebrating creativity and the arts. The event featured hands-on workshops, arts demonstrations, "quick-stop" activities as well as performances by Unified Jazz Ensemble and Cantare. Students from Fairfax County Public Schools regular and special education classes came together to celebrate the arts through music, dance, visual arts workshops and theater production.

— ARTHUR WESSEL

## Sixth Annual Senior Senior Prom

The Rotary clubs of Herndon and Reston will again present the Senior Senior Prom, the area's premier social event for all the young at heart. The event will take place Saturday, June 6, 2-4:30 p.m., at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 750 Peachtree St., Herndon. Dance music and entertainment will be provided by the Loudoun Jazz Ensemble and The 8-Week Wonders Swing Dancers.

All residents of Herndon, Reston and adjacent communities, age 50 or above, are invited, free of charge.

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## NEWS



Lakeside Cluster's original residents show off the mugs that were given to them at the neighborhood's Memorial Day picnic. From left are Cal and Nancy Larson, Ralph Groening, Glenn Meader, Betty Kerley, Marion Meader, and Bill and Bonnie Whyte. They received the mugs with pictures of their houses on them, except for the Larsons, whose neighbor's house accidentally appeared on their mug. A new mug is on the way.

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THE CONNECTION

## Lakeside Marks 40 Years

### Neighborhood's original residents remember the early years.

BY MIKE DICICCO  
THE CONNECTION

**F**orty years ago, Ralph Groening and his wife bought their house in the Lakeside Cluster on Lake Anne for \$36,000. They had lived in the nearby Hickory Cluster but wanted to be lakeside, he said. "Living on the lake, the dock made life a lot more comfortable and a lot more interesting."

Groening's is one of five houses in the 50-home community still occupied by its original owner. As the neighborhood celebrated its 40th anniversary at its semiannual picnic on Memorial Day — there's another picnic on Labor Day — it also honored its remaining original homeowners.

Lakeside was built shortly after the original three clusters were completed, and it had the first patio-style homes in the area.

Nancy Larson, another original resident, said buying a home in the area had been considered a risk, with no one sure whether they would get a return on their investment. "Everybody thought that houses out in the country were weird," she said.

**AT THAT TIME IN RESTON**, "there was so much going on, on so many levels," she said, adding that she had felt highly involved in the community. "But you had to be involved because there was no one here." She remembered asking someone in the meat section at Safeway how to sign a girl up for Girl Scouts. "By the time I left the meats, I was in charge of Girl Scouts for Reston," she said.

Many of Reston's residents vol-

unteered in the community at the time, said Betty Kerley, another of the neighborhood's founding members. She noted that not many women worked at the time, and volunteering was "the only way things would get done." She recalled being volunteered by Reston pioneers Jim Grant and Max Libman to fill in as a driver on the RIBS (Reston Internal Bus Service) bus when the system was run by volunteers. "I always got lost in Hunters Woods," she said.

Larson's husband Cal recalled the attitudes many others in the county had taken toward Reston in those days. He remembered standing in line at the Magruder's in Vienna. "The lady in front of me was talking to the checkout person about the communists who lived in Reston," he said. He noted that Restonians were "doing such crazy things as making it possible for everyone to live in town, not just white people."

Once he and his wife decided to move to the D.C. area from Denver, Colo., he said, "there was no choice" but to come to Reston, as his wife's sister lived in town and was an ardent Reston advocate. "She was doing a lot of proselytizing, as we all were back then," he said.

With an office at Lake Anne Village Center, Cal Larson found that he was able to swim to work from his home, which he did for one season, before there was no longer a functioning shower at the office. He said he still swims in the lake, as does a "90-year-old-gal" on South Shore Drive, although the Reston Association discourages the activity.

Like many of Lakeside's original

residents, the Larsons had lived elsewhere in Reston before moving into the neighborhood when it was built.

Original homeowner Bonnie Whyte said it was a frequent Reston phenomenon for the first people to look at a Reston home to be Reston residents.

Her husband said they had first moved to the community because "a coworker of hers was big on Reston. It was all he talked about, but he never moved here."

That was in 1965, and Bonnie Whyte said fewer than 300 people living in Reston at the time.

The couple lived in the Hickory Cluster, and they decided to move to Lakeside because in Hickory, there was more land to manage and to disagree about how to manage, Bill Whyte said, and parking had been a problem.

His wife said having a dock made Lakeside a fun place. She pointed out that they kept their house in Hickory for 25 years, during most of which her mother lived in it. She said she didn't know where else her mother could have lived safely, as the trails and nearby shopping enabled her to get around without driving. Eventually, she was often wheeled from her house to Lake Anne in a wheelchair.

When Kerley and her husband moved into the Waterview Cluster in 1966, Reston's population was said to be 800. "My neighbor, who worked for [Reston founder] Robert Simon said they must be counting the dogs," she said.

**WHEN LAKESIDE OPENED**, they made the move. "My husband is a canoe fanatic, and we wanted to be on the lake." Kerley's was the first family to take up residence in the neighborhood. The road

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## Vacationing at Home

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wasn't fully paved, and the electrical inspections hadn't been done. Bulldozers regularly cut her phone line.

Bonnie Whyte said Lakeside had changed over the years from a neighborhood that consisted entirely of young families to one where, for a time, virtually no chil-

dren could be found. Now, she said, "More younger families are moving in, which is great." She said she and her husband had no intention of moving until they found someplace better, which hadn't happened in 40 years.

Nancy Larson characterized the neighborhood as a place where residents got along and cleanup day was well attended. "We tend

to know a lot about each other and support each other without getting in each other's hair," she said.

Her husband said vacations renewed his appreciation for home. "Every time we leave town, we come back, and I look out my window, lakeside, and think this is better than wherever we were," he said.

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# OPINION

# Remembering on Memorial Day 2009

**O**n Memorial Day, we recognize that here in Northern Virginia, many local families continue to bear the personal sacrifice of having lost a loved one in Iraq or Afghanistan.

Nearly 4,300 U.S. military members have been killed in Iraq and more than 680 more have been killed in Afghanistan since Sept. 11, 2001.

Lance Cpl. Daniel Ryan Bennett, 23 of Clifton died Jan. 11, 2009, in Helmand province, Afghanistan. "Danny really had a heart of gold," said his mother. "He loved his country, and we're so proud of him."

2Lt. Sean P. O'Connor of Burke died Oct. 19, 2008 while stationed at Hunter Army Air Field, Savannah, Ga. O'Connor was an athlete in soccer, baseball and football who attended Fairfax County Public Schools and was a 1999 graduate of Bishop

Denis J. O'Connell High School in Arlington. He graduated from West Point and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Military Intelligence branch.

Pfc. David Sharrett, 27 of Oakton, died Jan. 16, 2008 in Iraq. On Oct. 24, 2008, his father, David H. Sharrett, was on hand along with former U.S. Rep. Tom Davis as the Oakton Post Office on White Granite Drive was renamed to honor his son.

Army 1st Lt. Thomas J. Brown, a George Mason University graduate and Burke resident, died on Sept. 23, 2008, while serving in Iraq. His unit came under small arms fire, and Brown, 26, died from his wounds.

Brown, a leader who often insisted on riding in the lead vehicles of convoys, the ones most likely to be targeted in an attack, was three weeks away from completing his tour of duty.

**HERE ARE** the names of some of the local men and women who have died in Iraq and Afghanistan. We repeat these names several times a year to honor their service and to keep their memories in our consciousness.

If you know of someone who should be included in this list, or if you would like to share how you are honoring the memory of a family member or friend lost, or about the progress of someone injured, please let us know.

Sgt. Scott Kirkpatrick, 26, died on Aug. 11, 2007, in Arab Jabour, Iraq. Kirkpatrick, who graduated from Park View High School in Sterling, and also considered Herndon and Reston as his hometowns, was a champion slam poet. His father, Ed Kirkpatrick, calls him the "warrior poet," and he and his wife help injured vets at Walter Reed through the Yellow Ribbon fund ([www.yellowribbonfund.org](http://www.yellowribbonfund.org)).

Ami Neiberger-Miller of Sterling lost her brother, U.S. Army Specialist Christopher Neiberger, in August 2007 when he was killed by a roadside bomb while serving in Baghdad, Iraq. He was 22 years old when he died. Since

her brother's death, Neiberger-Miller has devoted herself to the Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors ([www.taps.org](http://www.taps.org)), which provides peer-based emotional support and other services for families of the fallen, and provides intensive services and activities, including during Memorial Day weekend.

Staff Sgt. Jesse G. Clowers Jr., 27, of Herndon, died when an improvised bomb exploded near his vehicle in Afghanistan on Aug. 12, 2007.

Jonathan D. Winterbottom, 21, of Falls Church, died in Iraq on May 23, 2007, of wounds inflicted when an "improvised explosive device" exploded near his vehicle.

Nicholas Rapavi, 22, of Springfield, died Nov. 24, 2006, of wounds suffered during combat in Anbar province in Iraq.

Army Cpl. Andy D. Anderson, 24, was killed by enemy fire in Ar Ramadi, Iraq on Tuesday, June 6, 2006. He had been a respected football and basketball player at J.E.B. Stuart High School and had proposed to his high-school sweetheart about three weeks before he was killed.

Airman 1st Class LeeBernard E. Chavis, 21, was killed Oct. 14, 2006, by sniper fire in Iraq, trying to protect civilians from a roadside bomb.

Spc. Robert Drawl Jr., 21, a 2003 graduate of T.C. Williams High School, was killed by a bomb in Kunar, Afghanistan, on Aug. 19, 2006.

United States Army Specialist Felipe J. Garcia Villareal, 26 of Burke, was injured in Iraq and flown to Washington Hospital Center, where he died Feb. 12, 2006. He was a graduate of Herndon High School.

Capt. Shane R. M. Mahaffee, 36, a 1987 graduate of Mount Vernon High School, died May 15, 2006. He was a lawyer, married, with two children. His parents live in Alexandria.

U.S. Marine Lance Cpl. Nicholas Kirven, who, at age 21, was killed in Afghanistan in 2005 during a firefight in a cave with insurgents. He enlisted while still in high school after 9/11.

Maj. William F. Hecker III, a 1987 graduate of McLean High School, was killed in action in An Najaf, Iraq, Jan. 5, 2005.

Staff Sgt. Ayman Taha, 31, of Vienna, was killed Dec. 30, 2005, when an enemy munitions cache he was prepping for demolition exploded.



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**U.S. Army Specialist Christopher Neiberger's headstone at Arlington National Cemetery.**

Army Capt. Chris Petty of Vienna was killed Jan. 5, 2006.

Staff Sgt. George T. Alexander Jr., the 2,000th soldier to be killed in Iraq, was literally born into the Army here in Northern Virginia, at DeWitt Army Hospital at Fort Belvoir. Alexander died at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio, Texas, Oct. 22, 2005, of injuries sustained in Samarra, Iraq, Oct. 17.

Lt. Col. Thomas A. Wren, 44, of Lorton, died in Tallil, Iraq on Nov. 5, 2005.

Marine Capt. Michael Martino, 32 of the City of Fairfax, died Nov. 2, 2005, when his helicopter was brought down in Iraq.

Fairfax Station resident Pfc. Dillon Jutras, 20, was killed in combat operations in Al Anbar Province of Iraq Oct. 28, 2005.

1st Lt. Laura M. Walker of Oakton was killed on Aug. 18, 2005, in Kandahar, Afghanistan.

CW4 Matthew S. Lourey of Lorton died from injuries sustained on May 26, 2005 in Buhriz, Iraq.

Operations Officer Helge Boes of Fairfax was killed on Feb. 5, 2003, while participating in counterterrorism efforts in eastern Afghanistan.

Among other local lives lost: Lance Cpl. Tavon Lee Hubbard, 24, of Reston; 1st Lt. Alexander Wetherbee, 27, of McLean; 1st Lt. Jeff Kaylor, 25, of Clifton; Coast Guard Petty Officer Nathan B. Bruckenthal, 24, of Herndon; Army Chief Warrant Officer Sharon T. Swartworth, 43, of Mount Vernon; Command Sgt. Maj. James D. Blankenbcler, 40, of Mount Vernon; Capt. James F. Adamouski, 29, of Springfield; Sgt. DeForest L. Talbert, 22, of Alexandria; Marine Cpl. Binh N. Le, 20, of Alexandria; Staff Sgt. Russell Verdugo, 34, of Alexandria. Army Capt. Mark N. Stubenhofer, 30, from Springfield; Marine Gunnery Sgt. Javier Obleas-Prado Pena, 36, from Falls Church; Marine Sgt. Krisna Nachampassak, 27, from Burke; Army Staff Sgt. Nathaniel J. Nyren, 31, from Reston; Marine Lance Cpl. Tenzin Dengkhim, 19, from Falls Church, Navy Chief Joel Egan Baldwin, 37, from Arlington; Maj. Joseph McCloud, of Alexandria; Major Gloria D. Davis, 47 of Lorton.

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Pictured Monday in Memorial Day Parade in Washington, DC: Jack Rue in the rear, closest, with Carl Hall (Springfield) next to him and Ken Meyers (Silver Spring, Md.) in the front passenger seat.

## To Those We Left Behind

By JOHN W. "JACK" RUE

How even know man care—  
Hard to believe it's been 50  
years  
since we left you, went on to  
win.

We moved on then, reluctantly,  
for the need to finish the job  
where you left off — just as,  
for us,  
you would have done, without  
a sob.  
Those whom He allowed to  
return  
built lives based on our  
shared dreams  
for a better life and the lasting  
peace  
you helped make — part of  
His scheme?

Our belated thanks to you  
won't square the score.  
There could never be enough,  
nor would you ask for more.  
The world you died for,  
Is not here yet,  
but there are many signs  
you've not lost your bet.

The dull landscape you

viewed  
through cold and foggy gloom  
is back — alive — it's beauty  
renewed.  
You'd be proud it wasn't  
doomed!

Reverently, we lay these  
flowers  
here — next to you — a small  
gesture  
to let you know — we remem-  
ber  
you paid the price, full  
measure

Without your 'all,' and all of  
us,  
the Führer's timetable might  
not have missed.  
With your final stand he was  
disabled —  
nevermore to conquer (he was  
really miffed)!

How different this world  
would be  
had we not held at Elsenborn  
Ridge.  
Rest in Peace — your life's  
goal restored  
for being in Heaven is your  
great reward.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

John W. (Jack) Rue wrote this poem-prayer after visiting the Henri Chapelle Military Cemetery (Belgium) during the 50th Anniversary of the "Battle of the Bulge." Rue was promoted to captain during the Bulge as well as awarded the Combat Infantry Badge and two Bronze Stars. Rue's outfit also received the Presidential Unit Citation as well as two Belgium Feuere au Guerres. The 99th Infantry Division is credited with holding the Elsenborn Ridge against the Nazi spearhead long enough to upset Hitler's time-table and ultimate defeat of his last vast effort. Rue was "marching," actually riding in an Army jeep, Monday in the National Memorial Day parade with several other 99'ers. He will be 89 in July and is a resident of both Reston and Herndon. He lives half the week with his daughter in Reston and half with his granddaughter in Herndon.

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## OPINION

# Family Values

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

**F**ewer phrases tossed about in an election year have less clear meaning than that of "family values." Recently, the Virginia Family Foundation issued its Report Card on state legislators "as a tool to help citizens more effectively educate members of the General Assembly on pro-family issues." Members of the House of Delegates and the State Senate were given a grade based on their votes on 20 different bills. A perfect grade of 100 was given to 42 of the 55 Republicans. No Democrat got a grade over 88. My grade of 13 was third lowest given. Does that make me anti-family?

In order to be considered pro-family by the Family Foundation's scorecard you would have to favor state permitting police chaplains to pray in Jesus' name, favor abortion centers providing information concerning the possibility that "unborn children" feel pain, favor limiting budget increases to population and inflation, favor a ban on embryonic stem research and favor the elimination of funding for Planned Parenthood.

In order to get a good grade from the Family Foundation legislators needed to oppose a 5 cents increase of the state's gas tax, oppose adding sexual orientation to the Commonwealth's non-discrimi-



### COMMENTARY

nation in hiring policy and oppose expanding the domestic partner benefits law to include life insurance. I voted with a Family Foundation position only one time to add restrictions to payday lenders.

By other measures, I received a perfect grade for my legislative work. The League of Conservation Voters named me a "Legislative Hero" with a perfect score of 100. I consistently vote for measures that will protect the air and water of Virginia's families. I support energy efficiency and conservation measures. I vote to protect the environment for future Virginia families.

The Virginia Education Association gave me a perfect grade of 100 for the 2009 legislative session. They liked my vote against the House budget that would have substantially reduced funding for the public schools our children will attend in the future. I led the debate that got the provision eliminated from the final budget that passed.

Regardless of what some of the report cards may say, I believe my voting record reflects the values shared by most of my constituents. The election season provides us another opportunity to debate those values. Your comments to kenplum@aol.com are welcome.

# Attack Ads

BY JACK KENNY  
PAST PRESIDENT, REPUBLICAN CLUB OF GREATER RESTON



### A DIFFERING POINT OF VIEW

Obamonomics policies lead us into stagflation.

Examining the current crop of Democratic candidates should indicate why the attack ads are appearing. The concern is a large swing bloc of voters suffering from "buyers remorse." The evident front runner, Brian Moran is being linked to his big brother, U.S. Reps. Jim Moran (D-8) and John Murtha (D-Pa.) on defense contractor campaign donations. Next in line is Terry McAuliffe, union-flak, moneymaker bragging about flouting Florida's right-to-work laws. What will happen to Virginia's industry and employees? And finally we have Creigh Deeds.

The tactic is to demonize the opposition so that the voters will ignore the odor following each of these extreme leftist candidates. Cloaking candidates with the positive sounding label "common sense" is supposed to somehow neutralize questionable qualifications.

Accepting stimulus money to delay the inevitable crunch of a \$4 billion budget deficit, as one member of the General Assembly observed "We are merely delaying falling off the cliff for another year." For that we can hold our part-time Gov. Tim Kaine (D) responsible, who is complaining about his heavy workload. To quote: "I am trying to juggle two pretty challenging jobs. It's not an easy time to be governor."

Governor, if you cannot handle both full-time jobs, resign one.

With a lot of Virginians facing an uncertain future, do we have the governor's full attention? We will in November with a man who will bring good, old American values back to Virginia: Bob McDonnell.

## CALENDAR

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

### WEDNESDAY/MAY 27

**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.

**Senior Movie Day.** 10 a.m., Reston Town Center Multiplex, 11940 Market St., Reston. Refreshments and door prizes will be given away prior to the movie. Free to those 55 and up. Call 703-435-6530.

**Spanish Chat.** 7 p.m., Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. An informal refresher for adults who want to practice Spanish. Call 703-689-2700.

**"Monkeying Around."** 7:15 p.m., Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Road, Reston. Stories and activities for children of all ages. Call 703-689-2700.

**HHS Spring Concert.** 7 p.m., Herndon High School, 700 Bennett St., Herndon. The Herndon High School (HHS) Orchestras, directed by Ms. Bette Gawinski, will perform contemporary and classical selections in a Spring Concert. Featured senior students will also perform solos and a finale selection including HHS Orchestra alumni. Free. Visit www.herndonorch.org.

### SUNDAY/MAY 31

**Reston Sprint Triathlon.** 7 a.m., Lake Newport Pool, 11601 Lake Newport Road, Reston. Join 550 other runners to help raise money for Reston Interfaith in the Reston Sprint Triathlon, an annual event that promotes health, fitness and good will. Visit restonsprinttri.org/.

**Herndon Festival.** 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Herndon Community Center, 814 Ferndale Ave., Herndon. Enjoy musical performances, a carnival, three stages of entertainment, an arts and crafts show, business expo, children's hands-on art area and more. Free. Call 703-787-7300.

**Bicycling Essentials Clinic.** 7:30 p.m., The Bike Lane, 11943 Democracy Drive, Reston. Learn how to fix a flat, do minor trailside adjustments on brakes and derailleurs, clean and lube your bike. \$25/person; participants receive \$25 gift card. Register at www.thebikelane.com or call 703-689-2671.

### FRIDAY/MAY 29

**Schubert Mass in G Major.** 8 p.m., Floris United Methodist Church, 13600 Frying Pan Road, Herndon. Floris presents a concert with the Chantilly High School Chamber Singers, Floris UMC choirs, and members of several local orchestras. Free; donations accepted. Reserve tickets at www.florisumc.org or call 703-793-2626.

**Herndon Festival.** 5-11 p.m., Herndon Community Center, 814 Ferndale Ave., Herndon. Enjoy musical performances, a carnival, three stages of entertainment, an arts and crafts show, business expo, children's hands-on art area and more. Free. Call 703-787-7300.

**Summer Reading Preview for Families.** 7 p.m., Herndon Fortnightly Library, 768 Center St., Herndon. Don't miss your chance to get a preview of the Summer Reading Program. Enjoy book talks to whet your reading appetite. All ages. Call 703-787-7300.

**Cake Tasting.** 4-7 p.m., Edible's Incredible, 11919 Freedom Drive, Reston. Enjoy a complimentary cake tasting. Call 703-709-8200 or visit www.ediblesincredible.com.

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**Doggie Expo.** 8 a.m.-12 p.m., Herndon Community Center, 814 Ferndale Ave., Herndon. Go on a 2-kilometer walk with your dog through the neighborhood around the Herndon Community Center. After the walk, explore the Doggie Expo featuring pet care facilities, pet grooming, pet

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**RCO Presents Final Concert for 2008-09 Season**



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The Reston Community Orchestra, under the baton of music director Dingwall Fleary, presents the final concert of its 2008-09 season with a performance featuring a local youth soloist and music enjoyed by youth of all ages.

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high school senior. An instrument petting zoo and other educational elements will be available for children throughout the afternoon.

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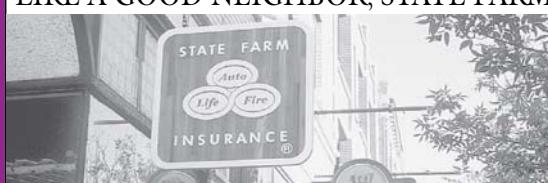
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## NEWS



PHOTOS BY MIKE DICICCO/THE CONNECTION

Doug Linton, left, and Lee Williams tell Rhonda Jacobus of Reston Town Center about Angelic Beef and the farm in Fauquier County where they raise their cattle.

## Market Move Brings Business

After rough start in park, farmers market becomes draw at new, central location.

BY MIKE DICICCO  
THE CONNECTION

The farmers market that opened on the new Reston Town Square Park in Reston Town Center last year started out with about 12 vendors, but traffic was so slow that the number was reduced by about half by the season's end.

"Nobody who works up here even knew the park was there," said Jean Janssen, founder of the nonprofit Smart Markets Inc., the group that organizes the market.

This year, with a central location under the town center pavilion, business has been up since opening day, she said. "This is a much better location for us," she said Thursday, May 21, in the third week of the season.

The market, which is open each Thursday through the end of October, from 3:30-6:30 p.m., includes 16 vendors this year. In addition to the usual dairy products, beef, fruits and vegetables, many prepared foods are offered, Janssen said, noting that busy Restonians don't always cook their meals. Among these are to-go meals, homemade baked goods and others. Meat rubs, German sausages, jams, jellies and honey are also popular. Two wineries also alternate weeks.

Janssen noted that all vendors offer free samples.

The market also has a number of special guests appearing on a monthly basis, with French bistro Mon Ami Gabi, seafood restaurant PassionFish and cookware dealer Williams Sonoma giving cooking demonstrations, as well as Barnes and Noble providing children's story times and a Kaiser Permanente nutritionist offering advice. Janssen said a children's cooking teacher is also lined up to make appearances, although that schedule had not yet been finalized.

A calendar of events is available at <http://smartmarkets.org>.

— MIKE DICICCO



Bernard Johnson of Reston, with 13-month-old Luu Songer-Johnson in tow, chats with Lynne Wright of Appalachian Spring. The handmade American craft dealer has a shop in Reston Town Center.



Mary Lou and Jim Lancaster buy some preserves from Alden Lesher of Heritage Farm and Kitchen, a cooperative of about a dozen Mennonite families in Lancaster, Pa. The couple stumbled on the market during a dinner outing.



PHOTOS BY ARTHUR WESSEL/THE CONNECTION

Katy Fernbacher, a Reston crime prevention officer, lectures members of the Reston Teen Center about the dangers teen drivers face in Northern Virginia.



Tory Martin, 17, of Reston with Officer Fernbacher following the lecture. Martin is a member of YADAPP and helped plan the event.

## Reston Teens Get Course In Safe Driving

BY ARTHUR WESSEL  
THE CONNECTION

**E**very year, approximately 1,000 fatal car crashes occur in Virginia. A group of Reston area teens is taking steps to reduce that number.

Members of Youth Against Dangerous Activities and Peer Pressure, or YADAPP, conducted a "Crash Course" on the dangers and distractions teen drivers face in our area and ways to avoid them. The course took place at the Reston Teen Center and featured Fairfax County Police Officer Katy Fernbacher, a Reston crime prevention officer, as the guest speaker.

"I'm here to open teens' eyes to the dangers of driving," said Fernbacher. "Things like alcohol, loud music and cell phones are all dangerous distractions that can be easily avoided. I'm just trying to get teens to pay attention and slow down so they can get where they're going safely."

Most of the teens in attendance were not old enough to drive, but "it's never too early to start learning," said Tory Martin, a 17-year-old Reston resident who helped plan the event. "Programs like this are helpful. Kids need to get as much information as possible and be constantly warned about the dangers of driving so they can be alert at all times."

In Fairfax County, a car crash occurs every 16 minutes, most of which can be attributed to driver distractions. The most common distractions teens face include cell phones, friends in the car, speeding, loud music, eating and even driving while stressed out or angry. Teens may also be tempted to race, speed, carry more than the legal amount of passengers or get careless about wearing their seatbelts: Of teen driving fatalities, 58 percent resulted from teens not wearing their seatbelts, something so simple that could save hundreds of lives every year. YADAPP is doing its part to inspire more and more teens every day to open their eyes and drive safer.

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# SPORTS

## Brown Leads South Lakes to Region Track Title

Other local athletes excel at outdoor championships as well.

BY RICH SANDERS  
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The South Lakes High boys' track and field team captured first place at the May 21-22 Northern Region Championships at Lake Braddock Secondary School.

The Seahawks were paced by Vincent Brown, who finished first in three events — the 100 dash, 110-hurdles and long jump, while taking second in the 200 race.

In the team standings, South Lakes took the title with 75.50 points, finishing ahead of second place West Potomac (64.33), third place Stone Bridge (54.50), fourth place Edison (50) and fifth place T.C. Williams (47).

Along with Brown's big meet, South Lakes had outstanding showings by several other athletes. Mike Harrell finished second in the 300 hurdles and took third in the 110 hurdles. Also for the Seahawks, Quintin Fortes was first in the discus; Sean Price was fifth in the triple jump; and Adrian Vaughn was sixth in the 200.

For Herndon High, which tied for 10th in the team standings, Rich Roethel finished first in the high jump, while Todd Van Luling was a second place finisher in the

3,200 race. Also for the Hornets, Kirk Nguyen finished fifth in the discus.

The Oakton High boys had several place finishers. Neal Hendricks and Andrew McCullen finished third and fourth, respectively, in the 3,200. McCullen also finished fifth in the 1,600. Luis Soriano was sixth in the shot put for the Cougars as well.

Daniel Allen of Stone Bridge finished second in the 200 and was fourth in the 100. Teammate Trevor Springman won the shot put. Also for the Bulldogs, David Wang was second in the shot and sixth in the discus; Andre Best was second in the 110 hurdles; and Oludar Ewetusa was sixth in the high jump. The Stone Bridge 4x100 relay team finished first.

Langley's Alex Maybury won the triple jump and was fifth in the 300 hurdles. McLean High's Kristoff Inocentes was fourth in the 800, while Highlander teammate Jourdan Samuels was sixth in the 110-hurdles.

On the girls' side, Lake Braddock ran away with the team title, scoring 105.50 points, well ahead of second place Robinson (44.50) and third place Herndon (44).

For the ninth place South Lakes girls, Lachelle Wallace won the 100 race and the triple jump. She

was also sixth in both the 200 and 400 races.

For Herndon, Carina Peter was second in both the 100 and 200. Taking a first place for Herndon was Carolyn Hennessey in the 3,200. Her teammate, Hiruni Wijayaratne, was fourth in the same event. Also for Herndon, Emily Palmer was sixth in both the long jump and triple jump.

From Marshall High, Brittany Johnson finished third in both the 100 and long jump events. Also for the Statesmen, Meara Goss was fourth in the shot put and fifth in the discus.

From Oakton, Becca Kassabian was fifth in the 1,600 and Lanie Smith was fifth in the 3,200.

From Stone Bridge, Brittany Schanck was second in the 100 hurdles and fifth in the 300 hurdles. Also for the Bulldogs, Jessica Morningstar was sixth in the 100 hurdles, Kayla Lemons was fourth in the triple jump and Chelsea Robinson was fifth in the triple jump.

From McLean High, Dominique Graham was second in the high jump and fourth in the long jump, and teammate Clare Nelson was third in the 300 hurdles.

From Madison, Jennie Zhu was sixth in the high jump and Brigid Byrne was sixth in the 3,200.

Next up for area girls' and boys' athletes is this weekend's state AAA Championships, set to take place May 29-30 at Todd Stadium in Newport News.

## First 5K Fun Run/Walk

Lake Anne Nursery Kindergarten had its first 5K Fun Run/Walk on Saturday, April 25. More than 100 people took off through the rainbow arches of balloons and headed down Wiehle Avenue and through Reston. Some ran, some walked, some rode in strollers and all enjoyed the beautiful day. Before the race, the children ran 50-yard dashes to warm up for the event. First in was Samantha Fodness, then Morgan and Ryan Giebel and Trent Green on scooters, TJ Radtke arrived next running with his daughter in a stroller. Ryan Luczak, 8, and his father Marcus ran in next with Ryan Alcorn, 9, and Mark Giebel right behind them.



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## Seahawks Finish Lacrosse Season

The South Lakes' High boys' lacrosse team finished 5-7 this spring. The Seahawks' team captains were seniors Matt Shinrock, Will Johnson, Alex Golembiewski, Tyler Harned and Ed Reed. The Seahawks are coached by Matt Blamey.



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## Oakton Girls End Season

Oakton High girls' lacrosse midfielder Danielle Filippone (pictured) was one of seven seniors on the Cougars' squad this spring. Oakton, under coach Jean Counts, saw its season end with a 19-18 loss to Woodson in a first round Northern Region playoff game on May 12.

## SPORTS ROUNDUPS

Registration is open for the Reston Youth Association (RYA) Fall 2009 Football and Cheerleading programs. The RYA programs are open to youth ages 6-16 in Reston and the surrounding areas. The fee is \$110 (\$80 for cheerleading) for those registered by June 30. Financial assistance is available. No experience is needed. RYA is a member of the Fairfax County Youth Football League and abides by its rules of full player participation, regardless of ability or experience. Three levels of play are available in each weight class, based on age, weight and experience. Games will be played on the turf fields at Lake Fairfax Park. Practices will begin Aug. 10 and the first games are scheduled to begin after Labor Day. Obtain information on the RYA programs and register online at [www.restonseahawks.org](http://www.restonseahawks.org). For questions, call the RYA Hotline at 703-620-2019, or send an e-mail to [vp@restonseahawks.org](mailto:vp@restonseahawks.org).

Paul VI High School boys' soccer player Chris Griffith, a resident of Reston, has verbally committed to play soccer at Washington & Jefferson College in Pennsylvania.

Griffith was a key member of the Paul VI Panthers' team this season. He played in a variety of roles in the midfield and in the back, and was one of 12 seniors who helped lead the team to one of their most successful seasons in program history.

"I wish Chris all the best in his future endeavors," said Paul VI head coach Matt Leiva. "He is a strong student-athlete as well as a very mature young man, and I am sure he will succeed at Washington & Jefferson College both on the field and off."

W&J head coach Ian McDonald is thrilled to have Griffith coming to his program.

"It is much excitement and anticipation that we welcome Christian Griffith to our soccer family here at Washington & Jefferson College," McDonald said. "Through our face-to-face meeting and numerous conversations, plus video analysis, we believe Christian possesses the talent and character to be a great addition to our program and the college community as a whole. Christian is not only a gifted athlete, but is also very gifted academically. I look forward to a very productive four years with this young man."

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## It's Not Fun or Funny

By KENNETH B. LOURIE

The re-escalating price of gasoline is starting — or rather accelerating — its impact on my digestive system; that is to say, it's giving me more than indigestion. It's beginning to eat away at the layers of tolerance that I've built up over the years, and is likewise effecting, adversely I may add, my sunny disposition. In spite of the many suggestions one hears about driving to maximize one's use of gasoline as efficiently as possible (properly inflated tires; clean air filters; slowing down, generally, smoother accelerations and more gradual decelerations, etc.) the fact of the matter is, I wonder how much any of it really matters — in the big picture. Picture this, with less mattering, to me, I'm getting madder at more people for indiscretions, oversights, forgetfulness and so forth that I might otherwise have ignored when the price at the pump — and some of the related product and service increases — were not returning to previously painful highs.

Now I haven't quite gone public yet, with any of my observations and suggestions as the actual circumstances have presented themselves. But if anybody was telepathic or could read lips — or understood muttering — I'd have already gotten into a number of fistfights; well, verbal confrontations, at least. And it's not like I wrote the book on social discourse or proper behavior when push comes to shove (figuratively speaking, of course; I don't condone violence). But, there does seem to be a dollars and sense correlation. If I were to guess, and make a casual, non-scientific, not-supported-by-any-empirical-evidence observation — as the price of a gallon of gasoline goes up, people's behavior has an inverse reaction to it: it goes down, as in it gets worse. As the dollars needed to fill the tank become almost indecent (again), so too does the corresponding behavior of the person filling that tank.

I don't know if it's simply that we feel helpless against the forces combining (I didn't say conspiring, many others did, though; others with a great deal more knowledge and insight than I will ever have.) to prime the pump, but the loss of any control over a portion of the family, business and/or government budget allocated for such expenses, creates a stress unhealthy for mere mortal men. Moreover, the victimization and exploitation us mere mortal men feel as the Oil and Gas companies quarterly profits are announced simultaneously it seems, to the still-increasing unemployment rate and bankruptcy protections being granted to some of America's oldest and most familiar companies, gives one pause to reflect: Has America passed itself by? Is what opportunity and quality of life, which many of us have experienced — and some even taken for granted — indeed been compromised by circumstances many in a position of responsibility say is mostly beyond our country's control? And if so, does that mean that our future is not nearly as bright as we thought it was? And if the future is likely to be more difficult than the past, then my attempts at humor concerning the minutiae of everyday life seem rather unimportant.

But I can't solve any of these problems; I can only write about them — and complain (a little ignorance goes a long way). I have to tell you, though, from where I sit — and write, it's getting ugly. People (myself included) are getting irritated, and unless something changes soon, the American consumer will be an endangered species.

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**(D-Hunter Mill)**, second from left, with members of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Al Roe, Dave Edwards and Bob Simon.

## Hudgins Discusses 'Sense of Place'

**A**s part of a four-week series entitled "Reston: How It Began, Where It's Going," Supervisor Cathy Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill) spoke to members of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute on May 7 in Reston. Hudgins emphasized the importance of a "sense of place" that has been notable in Reston since its beginnings in 1964. She noted that the development of

Reston has been a model for the rest of Fairfax County and is watched by planners across the country.

In addition to information about the county's "50+ Action Plan," Hudgins updated the audience on the issues related to planning the extension of Metro through Reston and on to Dulles Airport and Loudoun County.

# Fishy Fillets

\$12 million forfeited  
in addition to  
267,570 pounds of  
frozen fish fillets.

BY KEN MOORE  
THE CONNECTION

**P**eter Xuong Lam, 49 of Fairfax, was sentenced to 63 months in federal prison last week for a conspiracy that led to the importation of 10 million pounds of frozen catfish from Vietnam fraudulently labeled and sold in the United States as sole, grouper, flounder and other species of more expensive fish.

"The sentence is one of the longest imposed by a federal judge for falsely labeling seafood," according to Thom Mrozek, public affairs officer with the United States Attorney's Office for the Central District of California.

U.S. District Court Judge Philip S. Gutierrez ordered Lam to forfeit \$12,578,676 to the United States for anti-dumping duties avoided by the conspiracy.

The judge also ordered Lam to forfeit 267,570 pounds of frozen fish fillets, according to federal court documents.

Lam was president of Virginia Star Seafood Corporation, one of several businesses operating out of Silver King Court in Fairfax, according to federal court records.

Arthur Yavelberg, 64 of Reston, was also sentenced May 19. Yavelberg, president of Silver Seas, faces one year probation for his role in the conspiracy to import mislabeled fish to avoid federal tariffs, according to

Mrozek.

**BOTH VIRGINIA** businessmen were convicted by a federal jury in Los Angeles last October for their role importing and selling more than 10 million pounds and \$15.5 millions worth of mislabeled frozen fish fillets.

Following a two-week trial, the jury convicted Lam of conspiring to import mislabeled fish in order to avoid federal import tariffs and three counts of dealing in fish he knew had been imported illegally. During the same trial Yavelberg was found guilty of a misdemeanor conspiracy count.

Evidence in the trial revealed that two Virginia based companies, Virginia Star Seafood Corporation and International Sea Products Corporation, illegally imported millions of pounds of frozen fish fillets in 2004 and 2005 from three Vietnamese companies, according to a press release last fall from the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

To escape tariffs on the Vietnamese catfish, the fish imported by the two companies was labeled as sole, grouper, flounder, snakehead, channa and conger pike.

But DNA tests caught the fish as Pangasius hypophthalmus, a member of the catfish family. An "anti-dumping" charge was levied on this Vietnamese catfish to protect American catfish farmers from the fish being imported and sold for less than fair market value.

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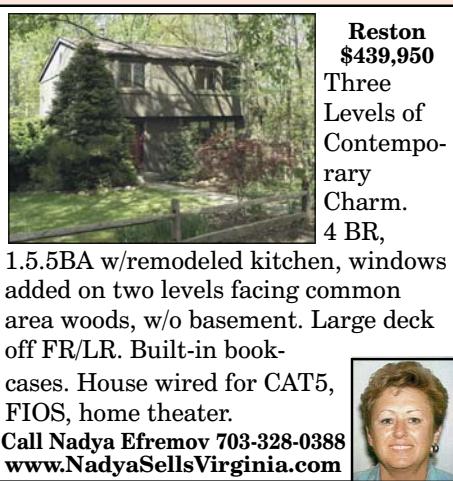


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