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While taking a break from dancing, David Beckett and Candace Shepley, check out all of the festivities at Saturday's McLean High School prom.

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McLean High School students April Martin, Joan Engel, Nikki Kerruish, Stephanie Kerruish, Christine Pifer, Sara Larenhar and Yuriko Salmon enjoy fresh air outside of Westwood Country Club, during their prom Saturday.

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McLean High School celebrates its annual prom.

Westwood Country Club was packed Saturday night with a fashion show of hundreds of prom-goers, while dozens of limousines filled the parking lot.

McLean High School had its annual prom at the club in Vienna and it proved to be a fun night for all. The theme was "Fire and Ice," and had food and decorations to match.

With a chocolate fondue fountain and other tasty treats, the students of McLean were able to take a break from dancing and enjoy some snacks. The ballroom's bar served icy beverages in addition to water and sodas.

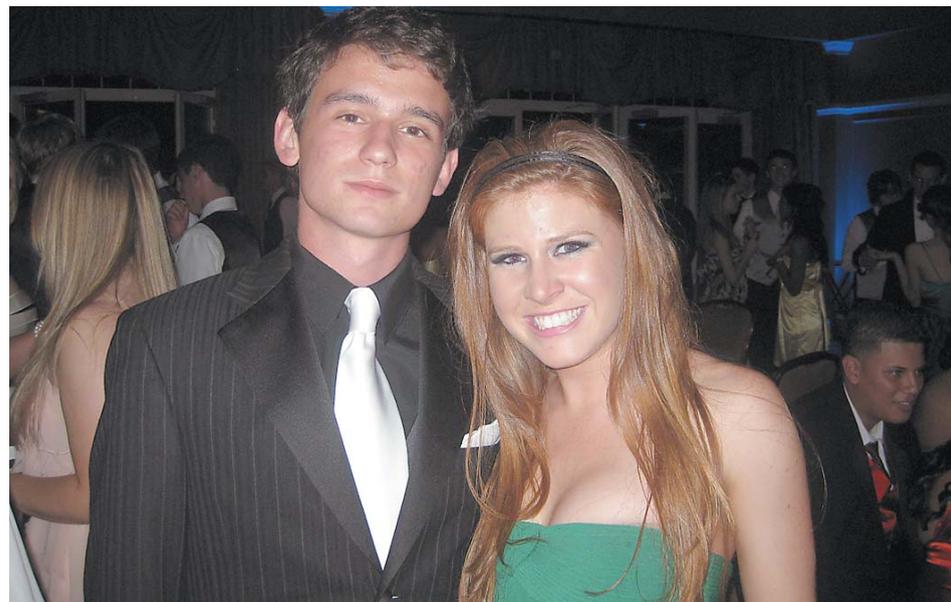
Students danced the night away from 9 p.m. to midnight, to music of all different genres. The DJ seemed to please all of the different tastes in music with his choices of songs.

Tickets for the prom were purchased in advance for \$45 a piece

— ABIGAIL ALBRIGHT



Taking advantage of Saturday's long-awaited good weather, Charlie Tenney, Mark Allen and Will Zuhl spend time on the balcony overlooking the golf course during prom.



Kevin Connelly and Paige Kinghorn pause for a picture beside the full dance floor in Westwood Country Club's ballroom.

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Area Students Win Merit Scholarship

Fourteen Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) students have been named winners of Merit Scholarship awards by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC). The students are part of a group of approximately 2,800 National Merit finalists chosen to receive scholarships financed by higher education institutions.

Winners of the scholarships, with their probable career fields in parentheses, are:

❖ Kelsey Brandt of Herndon High School (environmental engineering), National Merit Virginia Tech Scholarship.

❖ Jacob Beckhard of Madison High School (theater), National Merit New York University Scholarship.

❖ Carlyle Blomme of Marshall High School (business), National Merit University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Scholarship.

❖ Mike Raust of Oakton High School (web site development), National Merit Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Scholarship.

❖ Emily Ferrell of Robinson Secondary School (psychology), National Merit New York University Scholarship.

❖ Pavithra Anand of Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology (TJHSST) (biomedical engineering), National Merit Washington University in St. Louis Scholarship.

❖ Michael Kuprenas of TJHSST (chemical engineering), National Merit University of South Carolina Scholarship.

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❖ Kristin Nguyen of TJHSST (medicine), National Merit University of Central Florida Scholarship.

❖ David Ramish of TJHSST (economics—business), National Merit Vanderbilt University Scholarship.

❖ Samantha Sharp of TJHSST (Japanese), National Merit University of Arizona Scholarship.

❖ Alexa Silverman of TJHSST (linguistics), National Merit University of Chicago Scholarship.

❖ Jeanmarie Stewart of TJHSST (education—mathematics), National Merit Brigham Young University Scholarship.

❖ John Walsh of TJHSST (law), National Merit Hillsdale College Scholarship.

Each scholarship winner was evaluated on his or her academic record, including difficulty levels of subjects studied and grades earned; contributions and leadership in school and community activities; an essay describing activities, interests, and goals; SAT scores that confirmed outstanding test performance; and a recommendation and endorsement from a high school official. Each award provides between \$500 and \$2,000 annually for up to four years of undergraduate study at the recipient's respective institution financing the scholarship.

The final group of NMSC scholarship recipients from the class of 2009 will be named in July.

MCC Board Elects Officers

Members of the incoming McLean Community Center Governing Board met for the first time on Wednesday, May 27, and elected officers for the 2009-2010 term.

David Sanders was elected chairman of the Governing Board and Kevin Dent was elected vice-chair. Sean A. Dunn was elected treasurer and Risa Sanders was elected secretary. Chairman Sanders appointed the following committee chairs: Kevin Dent, chair Capital Facilities Committee and Sean A. Dunn, chair Finance Committee. Other committee chairs, including those of the program, communications/marketing and elections committees, and memberships on those committees, will be selected by the chairman within the next week.

For more information, call the Center at 703-790-0123/TTY: 711, or visit: www.mcleancenter.org.

NDWC to Celebrate 40th Anniversary

New Dominion Women's Club is celebrating 40 years of service to McLean and its surrounding community with a gala event on Saturday, June 6, at 6:30 p.m. at Monterey Bay Fish Grotto at 1800 Tysons Boulevard. Supervisor John Foust (D-Dranesville) and his wife, Dr. Marilyn Jerome Foust, are honorary chairs of the event; Supervisor Foust will present NDWC with a commemorative proclamation issued by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors.

The keynote speaker is USA Today columnist and sports journalist, Christine Brennan. She will be signing copies of her book, "Best Seat in the House."

Over the past 40 years, the organization has contributed thousands of dollars and volunteer hours to local charities. Charities receiving NDWC funds in 2008-2009 include McLean Project for the Arts, SHARE, Langley Residential Services, Alden Theater Sunday Summer Concert Series, Education for Independence, Falls Church/McLean Children's Center, and Reading is Fundamental of Northern Virginia.

Oakcrest School Campus on Sale

The Oakcrest School, as part of the anticipated process to begin relocation to their new campus in Vienna, is seeking bids on their existing campus in McLean Virginia. The property for sale is located at 850 Balls Hill Road in McLean, just off the Capital Beltway. James Kazunas, President of Hollywood Real Estate Services, says, "The asking price has been set at \$19,000,000, however the property will be sold in a sealed bid format, and the seller will entertain any and all offers from viable bidders." He said the school is currently seeking the final approvals for the site of their new campus. The school will continue to operate on the existing campus, and then make the transition once a new campus is in place, so that the academics are not interrupted. Potential bidders on the existing campus would be afforded the opportunity for a sale leaseback or a settlement to coincide with the move. LPC Commercial Services Inc. in cooperation with Hollywood Real Estate Services L.L.C., will conduct the sale. Sealed Bid offers from prospective bidders must be received by Sept. 30, 2009. Bids are to be sent to the Washington office of Lincoln Property Company located at 101 Constitution Avenue, Suite 600 East Washington, D.C. 20001

Contact: James Connelly, Vice President, LPC Commercial Services Inc. (202) 513-6700; James Kazunas, President, Hollywood Real Estate Services L.L.C. (301) 367-9435; or Ellen Cavanagh, Head of School, Oakcrest School (703) 790-5450.

Comstock for Delegate Breakfast Fundraiser

The Barbara Comstock for Delegate (34th District) Breakfast Fundraiser will feature guests Tom Davis and Vince Callahan. Saturday, June 5, 7:45-9 a.m., The Tower Club, 8000 Crescent Drive, Tysons Corner. \$100/person. Call 703-201-7776.

NEWS

'Very Involved in Everything'

McLean resident, former Springfield Supervisor Ginny McEneaney dies.

BY MIKE DICICCO
THE CONNECTION

Virginia "Ginny" McEneaney was not afraid to fight for an unpopular cause. Her daughter, Maureen McEneaney Dunn, remembered her mother pushing for the county's first low-to moderate-income housing in the early 1970s. "That wasn't a hugely popular opinion to have at the time," she said. Also, around the same time, McEneaney Dunn said, "She was a big proponent of Metro coming to Springfield, which was not embraced at the time."

The former Springfield resident died of congestive heart failure at her home in McLean on May 11, at the age of 81.

McEneaney was also heavily involved in the operation of McEneaney Associates, the real estate company opened by her husband, John, after he retired from the Navy in 1980. The company has offices in Alexandria, McLean, Arlington and Washington, D.C., and is the fifth largest real estate company in the D.C. area, in terms of volume.

GINNY McENEANEY worked for the company as a sales agent, designed and decorated the Alexandria and McLean offices and was the co-managing broker of the McLean office from 1988 to 1993.

"She was very supportive of me and my career," John McEneaney said, noting that this extended to his military career, for which she "tolerated" moving 14 times in 16 years "very well."

When the family settled down in the Springvale neighborhood of Springfield in 1965, Ginny McEneaney was ready to put down roots, her husband said. She was a member of the Springvale Civic Association for more than 30 years, serving for about 10 years as the organization's president. She was appointed to a brief term as the Springfield District Supervisor in 1971 and was narrowly defeated by Jack Herrity. In 1973, she was again narrowly edged out in a run for the Virginia House of Delegates, and she continued to work behind the scenes in local Democratic politics for years to come.

"It stemmed, really, from her desire to be as helpful as possible with the civic association," said



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"She was one of the most thoughtful, kind ladies I have ever known."

— Nancy Hughes

John McEneaney, of his wife's political involvement. "Mainly, what Ginny wanted to do was work toward making things better in the community in which she lived."

McEneaney Dunn said her mother worked on political campaigns and was friends with a number of local politicians, such as Martha Penino, supervisor of what was then the Centreville District.

Nancy Hughes, who worked with McEneaney on the civic association, remembered that when Springfield Mall was about to be built, McEneaney worked with the group to make sure the mall ended up on the other side of Interstate 95.

Hughes said McEneaney also helped the association succeed in a couple of forays into politics. The group successfully worked to get Don Bowman elected Springfield District Supervisor as an independent candidate. "That was sort of a coup, and it started with the civic association," she said. Also under McEneaney's leadership, the group helped to get a School Board member elected.

When Bowman left office, Hughes said, "We were instrumental in getting Ginny to take his place on the board." She said McEneaney was up to the job. "She ran it extremely well. She's a very, very bright person. Anything that was going on, she was up to speed."

"She could put 50,000 pieces of information together and come up

Ginny McEneaney

with the right recommendation of what to do."

In addition to affordable housing, McEneaney pushed for responsible growth and better schools, her husband said. "Since we have six children, obviously, good schools were a priority."

Some of those children went to school with neighbor Pat Grieg's children at St. Bernadette School. Grieg recalled McEneaney volunteering frequently at the school. "She just got very involved in everything — the school, politics, the neighborhood," Grieg said. She noted that McEneaney had started a small neighborhood newsletter, which kept the neighbors up to date on each other's vacations, weddings and other events. "It was just kind of keeping us together," she said.

When developers began looking at land along nearby Old Keene Mill and Backlick roads, "She was great about not getting the wrong people coming in," Grieg said, noting that McEneaney, through the civic association, had beaten back businesses like car dealerships that wanted to take down the trees between the neighborhood and the main roads and replace them with parking lot lighting.

"And she was just fun to be with, you know? She had a wonderful disposition," Grieg said.

"She was one of the most thoughtful, kind ladies I have ever known," Hughes agreed. "She handled all these affairs with magnificent charm."

SEVEN YEARS AGO, John and Ginny McEneaney moved to McLean. By then, she was ill, and she wasn't able to be active in the community. However, three of

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A 'sound box' is to be built over part of the Metro inspection and service yard. Neighbors say the trains there make loud, unpleasant noise.

Metro Yard Noise Hearing Postponed

Hearing on service yard next to West Falls Church station deferred again.

Neighbors of Metro's service and inspection yard next to the West Falls Church Metro station may finally get relief from the noise of "wheel squeal" that has been a problem since the station opened

more than 20 years ago. "You know what fingernails sound like running across a blackboard?" asked Jim Phelps of the Lemon Road Civic Association.

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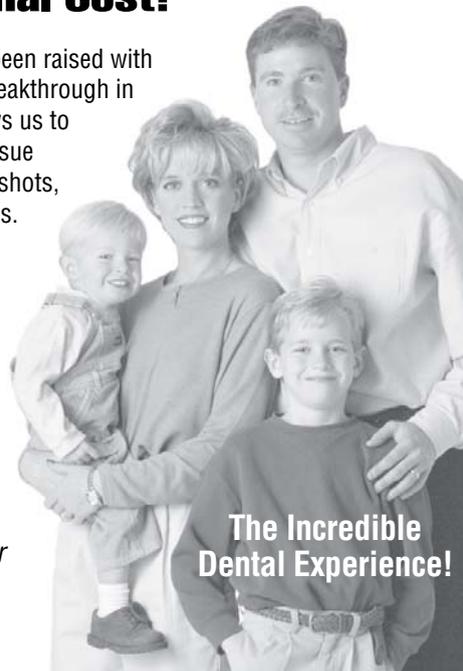
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The contentious, high volume campaign between the three candidates, Terry R. McAuliffe of McLean, Brian Moran of Alexandria and Creigh Deeds of Charlottesville will be settled by voter turnout on June 9.

Primaries like this in Virginia often garner embarrassingly low turnout given how much it matters.

The winner will seek to extend the leadership of Mark Warner (D) and Tim Kaine (D), the current and past governors, facing Bob McDonnell (R) in the general election in November.

Virginia desperately needs strong leadership at the top for the sake of the economy, transportation, healthcare, education, public safety and the needy.

The governor of Virginia is limited to a single four-year term.

See www.connectionnewspapers.com for more coverage of the race.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Call To Keep Tysons Moving

To the Editor:

Anyone who passes through Tysons Corner today is keenly aware that its transformation from a suburban office park to a vital, vibrant urban center has begun in earnest. Both the Capital Beltway HOT Lanes and Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project are in full construction mode. In the private sector, numerous construction projects are in various phases of planning and development.

The future Tysons Corner will be well worth the temporary inconvenience. But the road to a new Tysons will not be smooth or easy. Employers share a common concern regarding increased congestion from construction activities and its affect on our businesses and employees. We fear that in the coming months and years, commuting to, from and within Tysons Corner may become even more challenging than it is today.

For this reason, it is incumbent on the Tysons Corner community to work together to alleviate any

additional congestion that may be caused as we grow. Government, business leaders, and community organizations, as well as employers, employees, and residents must all play an active role to keep Tysons moving through the construction period.

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation, and Fairfax County Employer Services have begun the effort by developing Employer Solutions, a free service to businesses in the Tysons, Merrifield and Dulles Rail Corridor to help them create or enhance commuting services to keep employees, clients and customers moving during the construction period. Through employer-based meetings, transportation fairs and follow-up services, the Employer Solutions team will help employers design transportation strategies that best fit their culture and budget.

Some of the approaches include encouraging ridesharing, using mass transit and park-and-ride lots, promoting the regional Guaranteed Ride Home Program, providing a transit benefit or subsidy

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- ❖ Brian J. Moran, Alexandria, <http://www.brianmoran.com>
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- ❖ Roy J. Baldwin, <http://www.roybaldwin.com>
- ❖ John F. Carroll, <http://www.carroll2009.com>
- ❖ Mark L. Keam, <http://www.markkeam.com>
- ❖ Esam S. Omeish, <http://www.omeishfordelegate.com>

Also on the ballot are Democratic primary races for Lieutenant Governor, House of Delegates in Vienna, District 35; Arlington, District 47; and Falls Church, District 38.

Because voters do not register by party in Virginia, all registered voters are eligible to vote in the June 9 primary races.

For information on where to vote and more, see www.sbe.virginia.gov.

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Every year at this time, the Connection puts out the call for photographs of fathers and their children, grandfathers and their children and

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Father's Day is Sunday, June 21, and once again the Connection will publish a gallery of Father's Day photos.

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tact the Employer Solutions team today at employersolutions@Vamegaprojects.com or 703-586-0618, or contact TYTRAN at info@tytran.org. The Tysons Corner of the future is very exciting — and within sight.

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Keith S. Turner
McLean

Keith Turner is chairman of the Tysons Transportation Association (TYTRAN) info@tytran.org

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McLean AAUW Celebrates 40th Anniversary

The McLean Branch of American Association of University Women (AAUW) celebrated its 40th Anniversary at the Monterey Bay Fish Grotto in Tysons Corner. Pictured, from left, are Co-Presidents Fran Sullinger and Ginger MacEwen; Anniversary Planning Committee member Caroline Pickens; and the evening's emcee Cheryl Williams. New members are always welcome. Visit www.mcleanaauw.org

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BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE
THE CONNECTION

With the Democratic gubernatorial primary less than two weeks away, Scott Surovell still had not made up his mind about his vote.

Surovell, a Mount Vernon resident, is not a typical voter. He is the chair of the Fairfax County Democratic Committee, one of the largest local Democratic organizations in the commonwealth. Surovell is paying very close attention to the race and the three candidates — state Sen. Creigh Deeds (D-25), former Democratic National Committee chair Terry McAuliffe and former Del. Brian Moran (D-46).

"These candidates are pretty similar on policy. There are subtle differences but they are all strong candidates. I think the question a lot of people are trying to answer is which candidate would be the best to go up against Bob McDonnell," he said. "I am actually undecided. I have really been struggling with this myself."

Many other likely voters are having a tough time choosing a candidate in Democratic Party's gubernatorial primary June 9.

"It was a tough decision. We are have embarrassment of riches this time around and it was a tough choice to make," said Greg Zimmerman, a Democratic activist from Arlington County, who would not reveal who he was supporting publicly.

"I think, for Democrats, I think this primary is really difficult," said Loretta Nawakowski, the Democratic Party's captain for the Greenspring voting precinct, which traditionally has the highest election turn out of any precinct in Virginia. Though the residents are known for being politically active, attendance at a candidates' forum May 14 on the Greenspring campus was particularly high, about 250 people.

Volunteers who have knocking on the doors of reliable Democratic households in Northern Virginia have also found a lot of uncommitted voters.

"I am going door to door and a lot of people are undecided," said Steve Baker, an Arlington resident who supports McAuliffe.

Voters may be having a tough time choosing a candidate because the three men in the race are similar in many respects.

Deeds, a native Virginian who lives in Bath County where he grew up, likes to tell the story of his mother only giving him a few \$20 bills in his pocket when he went off to college.

McAuliffe, a McLean resident, started a driveway paving business at 14 years old in upstate New York so that he could pay for school.

Moran, a former state delegate for the City of Alexandria and Fairfax County, recalls when he father was laid off and his employer towed away the company car they

CREIGH DEEDS



Age: 51
Residence: Bath County, Va.
Hometown/Grew Up In: Bath County, Va.
Family: Wife Pam and four children
Education: Concord College (bachelor's degree in 1980), Wake Forest University (law degree in 1984)
Community Work/Relevant Experience: former Bath County

prosecutor; House of Delegates member (1992-2001), state Senator (2001 in present)
Web site: <http://www.deedsforvirginia.com>

used as a family station wagon.

All three candidates promise to make Virginia the epicenter of green technology and jobs. McAuliffe talks of turning chicken waste into fuel. Deeds wants to build an algae-to-fuel plant in Hampton Roads. Moran calls for wind farms off the coast of Virginia Beach.

Northern Virginia, they all expect, would be a hub of green job research and take part in developing things like the smart electrical grid and clean coal technology. "I think we can build on the technology companies that we already have here," said Moran.

Moran, in particular, appears to be trying to set himself apart by running to the left of his primary opponents on social and environmental issues.

If elected governor, Moran promises to seek repeal the 2006 Marshall-Newman amendment, which defines marriage as between a man and woman and bans marriage-like contracts for same sex couples. "We should not be placing discriminatory language in the Virginia constitution," said Moran at the Greenspring forum.

As a state senator, Deeds voted in favor of the same-sex marriage amendment in 2006. McAuliffe said he does not support gay marriage but is fully supportive of civil unions. But he has said multiple times that the campaign should focus on other issues.

"If we don't fix the economy, we are going to go backwards on several fronts folks," said McAuliffe at an Annandale debate.

Moran has spoken out against drilling for oil or natural gas off the coast of Virginia and opposes the construction a new coal power plant in Surry County between Richmond and Hampton Roads.

On the issue of offshore drilling, McAuliffe backs limited exploration for natural gas but not for oil. Deeds said he would support some exploration for oil and natural gas.

McAuliffe says if elected governor, he would work to push all payday lenders, which provide small, short-term loans at a very high interest rate, out of Virginia.

Critics of payday lenders said many people become trapped in a unending cycle of debt through these types of loans, which

TERRY MCAULIFFE



Age: 52
Residence: McLean, Va.
Hometown/Grew Up In: Syracuse, NY
Family: Wife Dorothy and five children
Education: Catholic University of America (bachelor's degree -1979); Georgetown University (law degree in 1984)
Community Work/Relevant Experience: Democratic National Committee chairman

(2001-2005); confidant of U.S. President Bill Clinton and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton; national finance director of President Jimmy Carter's 1988 re-election campaign
Web site: <http://www.terrymcauliffe.com/>

they can never afford to pay back.

McAuliffe has also been critical of Virginia's largest utility company, Dominion Power, for not being open to renewable energy and energy efficiency proposals. "There should be no more rate increases until they agree to move on wind and solar power," said McAuliffe, who is not accepting donations from Dominion or the company's political action committee.

Dominion Power has been the largest business interest or individual contributor to Virginia's statewide political campaigns over the last 13 years. Since 1996, the utility company has donated \$5.2 million to political candidates, \$2.45 million to Democrats and \$2.65 million to Republicans. Both Moran, who has accepted \$46,800, and Deeds who has accepted \$57,200, from Dominion since 1996,

said McAuliffe's pledge to turn down Dominion money is hollow because the McAuliffe campaign held a fundraiser at

the home of Thomas Capps, Dominion's retired president.

When there is consensus on an issue, such as the need for quick job creation, the candidates have different approaches.

Deeds, who represents the Charlottesville area, wants to use Virginia's well-regarded higher education system to spur growth and new employment.

McAuliffe would have a hands-on approach to attracting business to Virginia. As governor, he intends to be the commonwealth's number one salesperson and business recruiter.

"You all know I am good at getting money out of people," said McAuliffe at a meeting with the Northern Virginia Technology Council. The candidate, who once wrestled an alligator for a campaign donation, revolutionized political fundraising for the national Democratic Party.

Moran, who runs his own small law office, said he intends to shore up the economy by supporting and promoting small businesses.

"I have created a business in Virginia, a small business," said Moran.

If elected, Moran's first action as governor would be to convene a bipartisan sum-

BRIAN MORAN



Age: 50
Residence: City of Alexandria
Hometown/Grew Up In: Natick, Mass.
Family: wife Karyn and two children
Education: University of Massachusetts, Amherst (bachelor's degree), Catholic University of America (law degree)
Community Work/Relevant Experience: former Arlington County

prosecutor, House of Delegates member (1996-2008), House of Delegates Democratic caucus chair (2001-2008)
Web site: www.brianmoran.com/

mit of business community members and government leaders to brainstorm about the best ways to address the current economic situation in Virginia. The summit would not just address job creation but also housing needs and other problems that have cropped up in the down economy.

"We need a governor who puts the people first," said Moran at the Greenspring forum.

Deeds and Moran have similar professional backgrounds. Both worked as local prosecutors and are currently lawyers at small law firms. They are also both former members of the House of Delegates. In 2001, Moran replaced Deeds as the House of Delegates Democratic caucus chair when Deeds won his election to the state senate.

A fixture of political talk shows, McAuliffe is one of the most recognizable Democratic Party figures on the national stage, even though he has never held elected office.

McAuliffe is trying to reshape his public persona into that of a Mark Warner-like businessman, who does Democratic Party activism on the side. He has rescued both a failing bank and Florida home building company during his career. Through these and a few other business ventures, McAuliffe said he has created several thousand new jobs.

Deeds and Moran tout their legislative experience in Richmond as an asset.

Deeds said he was able to get legislation passed as member of the minority and the majority party in the House of Delegates and Senate.

"I am going in knowing that system like the back of my hand," said Deeds.

While McAuliffe talks about needing to win more Democratic seats in the House of Delegates, Moran points out that he has actually done that as head of the House of Delegates Democratic caucus.

"I helped build the House Democratic caucus from 33 members to 45 members," said Moran.

McAuliffe, who has lived in McLean for almost 20 years, does not seem phased by his lack of experience at the Virginia statehouse. The Washington insider is running as a Richmond outsider.

"If you are happy with Richmond, I am not your guy," said McAuliffe.

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McLean High Students Portray 18th Century Figures

Sen. Patsy Ticer (D-30) is pictured here at Mount Vernon with Charles Perla portraying Alexander Hamilton and Stephen Lastova as James Monroe. These students were part of a Project Enlightenment at McLean High school where 65 students researched an 18th century person for the year and then portrayed them for the three days at George Washington's home.



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— ARTHUR WESSEL

SUMMER ENTERTAINMENT LINEUP

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| June 6 - Dulcie Taylor Wammie, winner from McLean, Folk and Blues | Aug. 8 - Woven Green, folk rock |
| June 13 - The Seakers, soft rock | Aug. 15 - The Fairfax Saxophone Quartet |
| June 20 - Batala, African/Brazilian Percussion | Aug. 22 - Martinez & Guthrie, alternate rock |
| June 27 - City Of Fairfax Oberkrainer, Bavarian music | Aug. 29 - Jody Marshall, Celtic/Folk |
| July 4 - Happy Holiday (All Day Event) | Sept. 5 - The Barbara Martin Duo, Jazz/Blues |
| July 11 - No Better Off, alternative rock | Sept. 12 - No Better Off, alternative rock |
| July 18 - The Grandsons | Sept. 19 - The Seakers, soft rock |
| July 25 - McLean Orchestra Kamerato Trio, classical | Sept. 26 - The Rick Thompson Jazz Quartet |
| Aug. 1 - The Folsom Prisoners, country | Oct. 3 - Martinez & Guthrie, alternate rock |

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"Aida." 7:30 p.m., McLean High School, 1633 Davidson Road, McLean. 703-714-5700.

FRIDAY/JUNE 5

The Kennedys. 7:30 p.m. At Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.
DMV Showcase Vol. 4. 10:30 p.m. At Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.
"Pavilion." 8 p.m., 1st Stage, 1524 Spring Hill Road, McLean. \$15-\$25. 703-674-3177 or www.thehubtheatre.org.
"Aida." 7:30 p.m., McLean High School, 1633 Davidson Road, McLean. 703-714-5700.
Summer Swing Dance. 8-11 p.m., McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. Tickets: \$25/couples who are McLean Tax District residents, \$15/individual Tax District residents, \$25/person for all others. 703-790-0123.
Summer Book and Garage Sale. 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Claude Moore Colonial Farm, 6310 Georgetown Pike, McLean. More than 15,000 hard and soft cover titles. Garage sale includes household items, furniture, clothing, toys, jewelry, fabric and craft items. www.1771.org.

SATURDAY/JUNE 6

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"Pavilion." 4 and 8 p.m., 1st Stage, 1524 Spring Hill Road, McLean. \$15-\$25. 703-674-3177 or www.thehubtheatre.org.
"Aida." 7:30 p.m., McLean High School, 1633 Davidson Road, McLean. 703-714-5700.
Summer Garage Sale. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.,



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Family Fun Weekend. 12-3 p.m., Colvin Run Mill, 10017 Colvin Run Road, Great Falls. Make and sample ice cream, watch grinding on a mill tour, visit farm animals and play old-fashioned games. 703-759-2771.
Dulce Taylor. 6-8 p.m., Palladium Civic Place Green, 1445 Laughlin Ave., McLean. Roots, rock and blues style songs. Free. 703-288-9505.

Tales of a Mysterious Land. 2 p.m., Alden Theatre, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean. Hand puppets, rod puppets, masks and simple props used to demonstrate three stories of Chinese folklore. \$12/person, \$8/district residents. Ages 4 and up. 703-573-SEAT or visit the Alden Box Office.

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Celtic Woman, 8 p.m. at the Filene Center. \$25-\$55. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.

TUESDAY/JUNE 9

Pink Martini, 8 p.m. at the Filene Center. \$40 in house, \$22 lawn. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. 1-877-WOLFTRAP.

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THURSDAY/JUNE 11

Sex & Missiles. 8 p.m. At Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

FRIDAY/JUNE 12

Louis Fabrizi (CD Release Show) and The OK Corral. 6 p.m. and DMV Showcase Vol. 5, Sketch, Jett Black and more at 9:30 p.m. At Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. 703-255-1566 or www.jamminjava.com.

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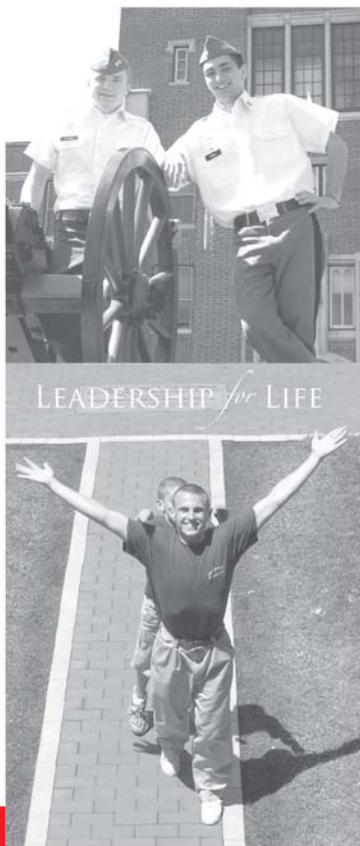
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School Promotes Summer Reading

Churchill Road Elementary was selected to participate in an FCPS pilot project, LIFT (Literacy Is For Tomorrow), which promotes reading throughout the summer. On Friday, May 29, 60 rising fourth-sixth graders chose book titles at an in-school book fair. These books will be mailed to the students' homes over the summer. CRS teachers Cindy Haines and Jeremy Smith will follow up with each of the 60 students on their summer reading choices.



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Road Ends at Semifinals for Girls' Soccer

McLean's spectacular season falls just short of state playoff berth.

BY RICH SANDERS
THE CONNECTION

Kristen Melchiori has a knack of coming up big in the postseason. The tall, talented senior member of the Chantilly High girls' soccer team has tallied eight playoff goals in her junior and senior years combined.

But it was Melchiori's game-changing assist that sparked the Chargers to their 4-2 Northern Region semifinal playoff win over McLean on the evening of May 27 at Robinson Secondary School. With the game deadlocked at 2-2 with less than 20 minutes remaining in the second half, the forward/midfielder had received the ball on the right side of the field during a Chantilly offensive rush. Following a couple of moves to elude some Highlander defenders, she lined a crossing pass across the goal area where senior teammate Kaitlyn Manley knocked the ball in from close range to give Chantilly a 3-2 lead it would not lose with 17 minutes, 17 seconds showing on the clock.

Less than 4 minutes later, Chantilly scored again when freshmen forward Morgan Morris found the net off a rebound. That goal, which came with 13:30 left, was set up by a long, 30-yard kick from the right wing area of the field from junior midfielder Gen McManus. Her strike bounded off the near post and out in front of the goal where Morris gathered the rebound and put the ball away to make the score 4-2, all but putting the finishing touches on the contest.

"McLean is a very skilled, organized and disciplined group."

— Chantilly Girls' Soccer Coach
Melissa Bibbee



Laura O'Brien, the McLean High girls' soccer coach, led the Highlanders to a district title and an appearance in the region semifinals this spring.

While McLean, this year's Liberty District champions, did apply plenty of offensive pressure over the game's remaining 13-plus minutes, it was not able to score again.

"We didn't want this to be our last game," said Melchiori, afterwards.

Chantilly (16-2-1), with the win, advanced to the region title game where it defeated Oakton, 1-0, last Saturday afternoon at Madison High School. The victory also assured the Chargers a seeding at this week's eight-team state AAA tournament. McLean, meanwhile, saw its season end at 15-3.

ON A CHANTILLY TEAM made up of numerous playmakers, Melchiori's steady, non-

flashy style of play has often been overlooked. But she has been a huge contributor to Chantilly's postseason success both this season and last year. In her team's run

to the region semifinals in 2008, Melchiori tallied four postseason goals.

This spring, she scored two goals in Chantilly's first round district playoff win over Fairfax two weeks ago, and also netted a couple of scores in the Chargers' 2-1 first round region playoff victory over Madison on May 19. She is set to play the sport in college at Division 3 power Lynchburg College, where she has earned an academic scholarship.

Against McLean, Melchiori and her teammates, who were coming off a come-from-behind 4-2 region quarterfinals win over South County, came out sizzling hot. Chantilly goals by freshman midfielder Olivia Colella and Manley within the first 5 minutes of play made the score 2-0 before many of the spectators on the pleasant, sun-splashed evening had even gotten themselves seated.

"The first 5 minutes were phenomenal," said Chantilly coach Melissa Bibbee. "We were all over the place."

McLean, however, got back into the game

when senior forward Jasmine Mohandesi scored from close range to get the Highlanders within 2-1. The score, which came with 26:35 still remaining in the half, was set up by a 40-yard free kick assist from sophomore midfielder Andrea Romness.

Later in the game, within the first 5 minutes of the second half, McLean scored the equalizer when sophomore midfielder Kristina Bettner somehow got the ball past charging Chantilly goalie Lauren Jancuska from 8 yards out. Bettner, after getting the shot off from the right side, went tumbling down as Jancuska, attempting to make a play on the ball, dove into her. The score made it 2-2 with 35:39 remaining in the game.

"I think we let down a little bit," said Melchiori, of McLean's two goals that erased the Chargers' 2-0 lead.

"Once we tied it, I really thought we were going to be able to win," said McLean Coach Laura O'Brien.

But Chantilly, about 17 minutes later, gained the lead for good when Melchiori and Manley teamed up for the goal that made it 3-2 Chargers.

Bibbee credited her seven seniors with leading the Chargers this spring.

"Making states is a big honor for the seniors," she said. "They deserve it. They really are the heart of the team."

The coach was impressed by McLean's play throughout the match.

"McLean is a very skilled, organized and disciplined group," said Bibbee.

O'Brien, the McLean coach, said the game's early minutes were too much for the Highlanders to overcome.

"You can't come out flat the first 5 minutes of the game against a team of that caliber and expect to stay alive," said O'Brien.

But the loss hardly takes away from the outstanding season the Highlanders experienced.

"A complete, total success," said O'Brien, whose squad won region playoff games over Centreville and Lake Braddock to reach the semifinals. "We won the district championship and wanted to go as far as possible."

Langley School Cuts Ribbon for New Turf Field

On Friday, May 22, The Langley School celebrated the official dedication and naming of its new turf athletic field at a brief ribbon-cutting ceremony. The durable synthetic turf, which replaced the school's original natural grass field, was installed last fall and has been in use by students since January 2009.

For many years, Langley's large natural grass field was the site of soccer and lacrosse games, P.E. classes, daily recess and school-wide events such as the Fall Fair and Field Day. However, wet weather and overuse led to muddy, patchy areas, frequently making sections of the field unusable. "Physical activity is an important part of our program," said Head of School

Doris Cottam.

"The turf field has had an immediate impact on the physical education curriculum, allowing us to hold classes outside during the winter trimester," said Nick Saunders, physical education department chair. "We are also able to restructure our curriculum to utilize both the Solomon Athletic Center and outdoor field areas throughout the year, creating opportunities for new activities and more physical space in which our students can learn."

During the ribbon-cutting ceremony, the school unveiled the new name of the turf field — Gleason Field — in honor of current Athletic Director Jim Gleason, a 30-year Langley veteran who built the school's athletic program into what it is today.



Preparing to cut the ribbon for Langley's new turf field are, from left, Langley Board Chair Frank Marvin, eighth-grader Nicole Johnson, Athletic Director Jim Gleason, eighth-grader Mike Sniezek, Head of School Doris Cottam and former Langley parent Bill McDonald, assisted by the three kindergarten students.

'Sound Box' to Contain Noise

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"Amplify that by, I want to say, 10,000 times or so."

A hearing before the Planning Commission regarding the Metro yard was deferred for a second time, from May 28 to Sept. 10, as the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority (MWAA) and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) work on plans to contain the noise, as well as a storm water management plan.

METRO is going to expand the yard to store up to 30 percent more rail cars, in order to accommodate the coming Silver Line, said Mark Zetts of the McLean Citizens Association's Planning and Zoning Committee. In order to do so, Metro has to obtain an amendment to the special exception under which the yard operates, and the Federal Transit Authority (FTA) is requiring that a "sound box" be built over the noisiest part of the yard as part of the expansion.

Rail cars circling a loop of track in one area of the yard create what

"You know what fingernails sound like running across a blackboard?"

— **Jim Phelps, Lemon Road Civic Association**

Zetts called "a very, very terrible, high-pitched noise." It is over this loop that the sound box is to be built.

Zetts said this presented an opportunity to fix a long-standing problem, so long as the structure is built properly. "It's a great thing, but we want to make sure it's built right and does what it's supposed to do." He said Metro and the airports authority had not yet designed the sound box or decided what materials in would be built with.

Although the structure is required Phelps said, there is no requirement as to how effective it has to be, and he said he would like to see a stipulation that the noise coming from the yard can be no louder than 55 decibels.

THE COUNTY requires a maximum average of 55 decibels, but because the screeching is brief and sporadic, it could be much louder without violating the maximum average, Phelps said.

He also said storm water runoff from the site tended to flood neighbors' yards on McKay Street. A holding pond in the yard is missing a plate that was supposed to slow storm water in order to prevent erosion and flooding in the nearby creek, which is a headwater for Pimmit Run, Phelps said. He said he had been told that an additional holding pond would be built, but he didn't know if the plate on the existing pond was to be replaced.

Zetts said the state had rejected the most recent storm water management plan Metro had presented, so a new plan was in the works.

He said the expansion was expected to take about two years and would have to be completed by the time the Silver Line is operational, in about four years.

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Mary Wilson, founding member of the world's most famous female trio, the Supremes, entertained a crowd of nearly 500 at the Lupus Foundation of America's Butterfly Gala - Sixth Annual Awards Dinner on Tuesday, May 12, with her signature flair and style. Wilson is also a best-selling author, motivational speaker, businesswoman, and former U.S. Cultural Ambassador.

CNN Anchor and Special Correspondent Soledad O'Brien served as the master of ceremonies for the Gala, which honored U.S. Rep. James P. Moran (D-8); Sanjay Gupta, M.D., CNN chief medical correspon-

dent; and Roger M. Perlmutter, M.D., Ph.D., executive vice president for Research and Development for Amgen, Inc.

The honorees were recognized for their efforts to bring national attention and resources to lupus, a devastating and life-threatening disease that affects an estimated 1.5 million Americans and 5 million people worldwide.

Presenting the awards were Moran's daughter Mary Elise Moran, director of Human Resources for the NFL Players Association; Sen. Richard C. Shelby (R-Ala.); Dr. Annette Shelby; and LFA spokesperson Mercedes Yvette.

Churchill Road Students Honored by Woman's Club of McLean



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Growing Pains



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Oregano, thyme, rosemary, sage, basil, mint; some of the home-grown herbs and spices a few of our friends are growing/cultivating; with distinction, from what I've heard. And as I was listening to the ebb and flow of how their gardens grow, I could not imagine for a moment, why in the world I would ever undertake such an endeavor. Nevertheless, the passion and enthusiasm with which these friends were discussing their gardening gains — and losses, was so heartfelt, so filled with conviction, I couldn't help but be drawn into the conversation.

And the conversation was wide-ranging, too, gardening wise; from south-facing, to potting, to planting, to trimming and pruning, to plant-life expectancy, to harvesting, to the impact of weather and watering. The tips/anecdotes/words-to-the-wise just kept coming. As for the words to the stupid (yours truly) all I could do was ask questions and listen in amazement as these friends spoke about the care and feeding, locally, of these centuries-old and historically popular spices. The conversation sounded similar to many I've had about sports; using past, present and imperfect examples of players, performances, statistics, tendencies, championships, etc., rather than planting location, depth, proximity, and too many other planting considerations lost in translation, to determine an appropriate course of action/pursuit.

As I listened, and unfortunately didn't really learn, since it was established that my life didn't really depend on the outcome, (which if it did, it was suggested, I might pay more sincere attention), I nonetheless marveled at the depth of information that our friends possessed on the subject, information I presumed existed, but never previously bore witness to.

It never ceases to surprise me the things; categories, hobbies, avocations, vocations, pursuits, that people are into, and aware of, most of which are usually beyond my comprehension — and grasp, quite frankly. And it's not that I'm stupid when I sit and listen cluelessly; it's more that I'm incredulous how little I know about so many subjects, one of which was discussed this particular evening: the trials and tribulations — and rewards, of growing herbs and spices in your own backyard. Who knew there would be such back and forth — and such knowledge, about such things? Not me (in case you didn't know that previous sentence was rhetorical.)

And though I am now not the least bit interested in tilling the soil at "Belly Acres," (our two-acre, non-ancestral home), I am nevertheless intrigued by the possibility. The only problem I foresee, other than all the obvious problems that you readers foresee, is what exactly would I do with all the herbs and spices if I were able to actually grow them? The closest I get to a spice is my aftershave. The closest I get to an herb is my neighbor across the street. I realize that herbs and spices have something to do with food and taste and cooking and food preparation, but that's no more my world than growing the stuff was in the first place. Oh, I can certainly appreciate the effort required to grow your own; my problem is, if I did grow it, would I have to eat it?

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Christina Petersen, 18, of Detmold, Germany and Anna Kobylski, 17, from McLean have been partners through the McLean High School Orchestra exchange program for the past three years.

Exchanging Music

McLean High Orchestra hosts German counterparts.

BY ARTHUR WESSEL
THE CONNECTION

Once a year, students from either Detmold, Germany or the McLean High School Orchestra, cross the Atlantic to perform with the other school's orchestra. This year, it was McLean's turn to host the Germans.

Now in her final year as director of the McLean High School Orchestra, Gretta Sandberg has been running the exchange program for more than 14 years. The two schools practice the same music separately and come together for a week of demanding practices, culminating in a concert featuring both orchestras.

"The whole thing is just really, really fun," said Anna Kobylski, 17, a senior at McLean. "It's a week that's power packed, and we're best friends for the time that we're together."

Kobylski and her German counterpart, Christina Petersen from Detmold, have been partners through the exchange program for the last three years. The students are matched up based on a survey listing the students' interests and personality traits. "Whoever organized the trip matched us up

perfectly. We've become very close friends over the past three years," said Petersen.

During their overseas visits, the students experienced classes in each other's high schools. "A big difference between school in America and school in Germany is the amount of freedom we have in Germany," said Petersen. "We do not have guards at the gates and we are allowed to leave or go to the city during our breaks because everyone comes back on their own. It is much more strict here."

The German students also went sightseeing in Washington, D.C. and experienced Rolling Thunder during Memorial Day weekend.

Kobylski will be starting her freshman year at James Madison University this fall and will be studying music, education and French. "Taking German in high school probably would have been more useful for this exchange program, but their English is incredible," said Kobylski. "We understand them and they understand us, and the music brings us together."

Petersen has been taking English lessons in school for eight years, eliminating any chance of a language barrier between the two friends. "Hopefully, the exchange is going to continue, even with the retirement of Gretta Sandberg. It's been a great experience," said Kobylski.

McLean High School Principal Dr. Deborah Jackson met with the orchestra earlier and explained that the exchange is a relationship she hopes to continue.

McEneaney Remembered

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their six children also live in McLean. "All of us are involved in the community in one way or another," said their son Mike, who is the chair of McLean Youth Basketball.

Ginny McEneaney was born on April 14, 1928 in Boston and graduated in 1946 from Southside High School in Rockville Center on Long Island. She married John McEneaney on June 11, 1949 in Saint Agnes Cathedral in Rockville Center.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by six children — Sean, Sharon, Mark, Maureen, Mike and Kathy — and 11 grandchildren — Colin, Kelley, Kevin, Adrienne, Catherine, Christopher, Molly, Kyle, Colleen, Jamie and Alison.

John and Ginny McEneaney were also known for their abundant and exotic azaleas, Hughes said, noting that the yards of both of the homes where they lived in Springvale are still rife with the flowering bushes.

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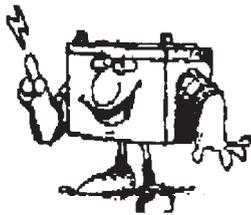
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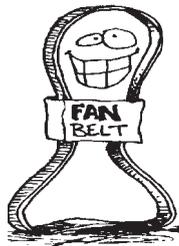
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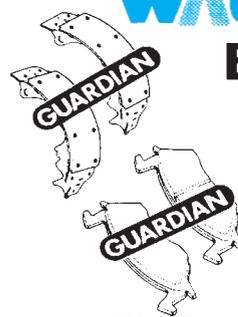
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