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RA, Hudgins Discuss Master Planning

Tentative agreement reached regarding community advisory committees to help guide process.

BY MIKE DICICCO
THE CONNECTION

Dick Stillson, whose committee of the Reston Citizens Association is focused on revising to the Reston Master Plan, said his group “very strongly” supported the strategy that county planner Loren Bruce had devised for community involvement in the coming revision process. Bruce’s idea was to form advisory committees on a variety of subjects, which would bring input to the task force that Supervisor Cathy Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill) will soon create. “The important thing about this is there should be very, very strong community participation,” Stillson said at the Reston Association’s special meeting Monday night, Oct. 12.

John Lovaas agreed, saying an unexpectedly large number of people, including many who were relatively unfamiliar to Reston civic life, had attended the “land use college” Hudgins had set up over the summer to prepare members of the community to understand the process for revising the master plan. “They went because they had the impression that they would be able to participate in the process,” he said. However, he added, “Advisory groups are fine, but they have no status,” noting that such groups could be shut out of meetings.

Later in the evening, Hudgins met with the Reston Association (RA) to discuss the association’s involvement in the revision process, and they reached a preliminary consensus with the supervisor regarding the possible use of community advisory committees to inform changes to the plan.

The special study task force she will appoint will have two jobs. One will be to make major changes to the county’s Comprehensive Plan regarding the Dulles Toll Road corridor, much of whose Reston stretch comprises the Reston Center for Industry and Government (RCIG). According to county planning theory, Metro stations, like the ones coming to the toll road corridor, can be surrounded by dense, mixed-use development, but the RCIG has allowed no residential uses and only limited commercial uses in its boundaries and is currently planned accordingly. The task force will also update Reston’s original master plan, particularly in relation to the changes coming to the toll road corridor.

Because areas affected by the changes would include those that, like Reston Town Center, fall outside the RA’s purview, the association cannot create its own committees to guide the process. “The direction this



PHOTO BY MIKE DICICCO/THE CONNECTION
Supervisor Cathy Hudgins (D-Dranesville) talks about the Reston Master Plan revision process at Monday’s special meeting of the Reston Association board.

“The important thing about this is there should be very, very strong community participation.”

— Dick Stillson, RCA

board gave staff back in August was to find a way to facilitate and provide administrative support to the community as a whole for a grassroots review of the Reston Master Plan,” board member Richard Chew said.

The association’s staff and board members had previously met with Hudgins to discuss the topic, and RA CEO Milton Matthews said they had all agreed that broad community participation was important, but Hudgins preferred that large-scale charettes be held to gather community input, while the RA wanted eight or so longstanding advisory committees, each assigned a different subject, such as housing, village centers or the environment, to help guide the process. Each committee would have a member of the task force assigned to it.

Chew said the committees’ structure and seriousness would prevent planners from dismissing their input. “If this is a well organized and well administered community effort, it will be extremely difficult not to listen to these advisory committees,” he said.

However, Hudgins said she liked the process of “pollination” that occurred when people with different interests and backgrounds participated in a single discussion, rather than breaking participants up according to their areas of expertise, and she expressed concerns that such committees could exclude people and concerns that were not always heard. “I’m trying to get

people who aren’t experts but have concerns about their community,” she said.

Board member Paul Thomas said he liked the idea of charettes as well. “Do you see any opportunity for really having it both ways?” he asked.

Hudgins said it was possible but also said she was concerned that advisory committees could hold up the process.

“We’re happy to work with you on your timeframe,” RA President Robin Smyers said.

Asked why she wanted the task force’s work completed by December of next year, Hudgins said this was the time to follow up on the area plan review proposals that were filed last year and that the sooner plans were rewritten, the sooner changes and redevelopment could take place.

Ultimately, she agreed to try to work community advisory committees into the planning process. “I do raise the concern that it not be the driver of the task force because the task force is appointed for a reason,” she added.

As for the composition of the task force, Hudgins said each of the various community groups in Reston would appoint a primary and alternate member, and she hoped a member of the RA board would sit on the team. “The task force then can participate but really serve as listeners in the community process,” she said. There are to be no more than 20 members or so, with a couple from the Dranesville District, which contains a portion of the area in question. Three or four members would be at-large, and Hudgins said she would want some members who specialized in certain areas of study.

In addition, she said the charettes would probably be conducted in a series over two weeks or so, at various times of day so that as many people as possible could attend.

The RA board will decide at its Oct. 22 meeting exactly how it wants to be involved in the planning process.

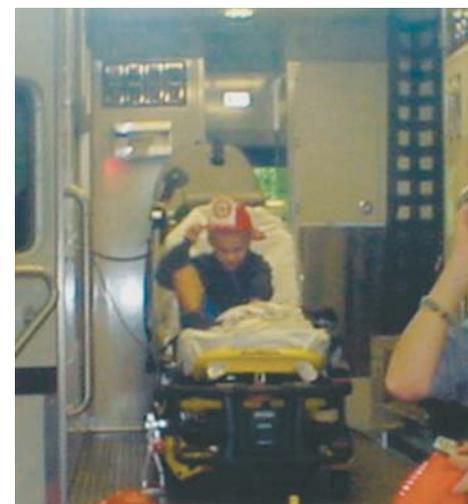


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Mason Linck, 4, of Reston, relaxing on gurney at Reston Fire Department’s open house.

Practicing Fire Prevention

BY SUSAN NELSON
THE CONNECTION

Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department hosted Fire Prevention week open house at all stations throughout the county, as October is fire prevention month. The theme of the open house was “It’s fire prevention week. Stay fire smart! Don’t Get Burned.” Fire Prevention week focused on burn awareness and prevention as well as keeping homes safe from the leading causes of home fires.

“The kids like to come out and sit and climb on the fire trucks,” said Capt. Eric Cunningham at Reston Fire Station. “It is our job to make sure they leave informed about fire safety, and let them have a little fun too.”

Families enjoyed the event with apparatus tours, smoke crawl demonstrations and fire hose sprays.

“We are having a great time today. It is very important for our children to understand the importance of fire prevention,” said Nora LaTeef of Great Falls. “It’s especially important to know what to do when there is a fire.”

Firefighters and paramedics were on hand to answer questions and to help children understand the importance of being prepared with information.

“We are here today to make sure these kids are equipped with the information that could one day save their lives or the lives of their loved ones, and that is most important,” Capt. Mark L. Feaster said.

Fire Prevention Week was started after the “Great Chicago Fire” of 1871. The fire killed more than 250 people, left 100,000 people homeless and destroyed more than 17,000 structures.

“Fire Prevention week has become a part of the fire department culture and the focal point for local public fire safety awareness education activities every October,” said Feaster.

According to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), fire caused more than \$1.5 billion of direct property loss in 2008. Last year, 3,320 civilian fire deaths occurred, which is an increase of more than 3 percent. For more information visit www.firepreventionweek.org or www.nfpa.org.

Confronting Hate Crime

South Lakes High Students Reflect on Lesson Learned

'The Legacy of Matthew Shepard' — from a mother's perspective.

BY JANELLE L. PLUMMER
THE CONNECTION

More than 300 students gathered in South Lakes High School Little Theatre on Wednesday, Oct. 7, to learn about hate crimes and how to make their school and community safe regardless of race, religion, ethnicity, sex, gender identity and expression or sexual orientation at "The Legacy of Matthew Shepard"—speaking from a mother's perspective.

The 90-minute talk by Judy Shepard encouraged South Lakes students to appreciate diversity in all its forms.

Shepard's 21-year-old son, Matthew Shepard, was murdered in a



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Judy Shepard speaks to more than 300 students at South Lakes High School in Reston on Wednesday, Oct. 7, for a 90-minute talk about the prevention of hate crimes.

gay hate crime in Laramie, Wyo. in 1998.

Shepard, the executive director, of The Matthew Shepard Foundation, has spoken to more than 1 million young people about the

impact of hate speech and violence.

"You are who you are, and you love who you love," Shepard said. "'Your sexuality doesn't define you.'"

Although Shepard said that society has to be educated about hate crimes, she said society has become S.I.C.—Silent, Indifferent and Complacent.

"Treat others as you would be treated," she said. "Hate is not a gay thing. I'm reluctant to use the word hate in the hallways."

The event was sponsored by the Reston Community Center in conjunction with its Professional Touring Artist Series event, "The Laramie Project: Ten Years Later," performed on Monday, Oct. 12, in the CenterStage at RCC Hunters Woods by the Reston Community Players.

Leila Gordon, the executive director of the RCC, who attended the 90-minute talk, said the Reston Community players presented the original project.

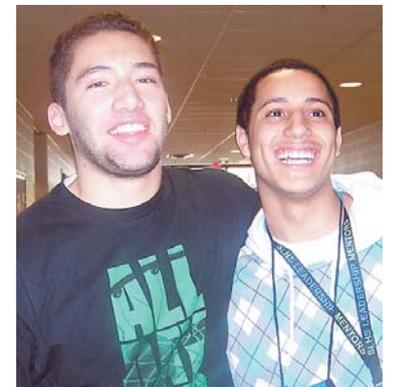
"[The whole idea] was to really reach across our arts community,"

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Seniors Ramin Shaheedian, left, 17, and Esua Spicer, 18, after 90-minute talk by Judy Shepard "The Legacy of Matthew Shepard"—speaking from a mother's perspective at South Lakes High School in Reston, on Wednesday, Oct. 7.

Shaheedian: "That even though we may be different, but we are all the same. We are one human-kind, and one human race and that's all that matters."

Spicer: "What I joke about with my friends is more serious. It's hard for people to come out. I



might be hurting someone. I will try not to be as ignorant and a better friend."



Andrew Heffernan, 17, Senior

"People are discriminated against unjustly." Main point is that you are who you are."

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This event is a benefit for Great Falls School of Art, administered by the non-profit Great Falls Foundation for the Arts. The 6th Annual Great Falls Art Studios Tour is supported by the Virginia Commission for the Arts, the Arts Council of Fairfax County, Great Falls Foundation for the Arts and the Great Falls Business & Professional Association.

WEEK IN RESTON

Volunteers Needed for 15th VolunteerFest

Volunteer Fairfax is now accepting volunteer registration for this year's VolunteerFest, on Saturday, Oct. 24. Hundreds of volunteers are needed at area nonprofits, schools and parks to complete 35 projects on this county-wide day of service, held in conjunction with national "Make a Difference Day." Individuals, families, corporations and civic groups are encouraged to participate.

In Reston, more than 60 volunteers are needed at three sites/agencies:

❖ At Herndon-Reston FISH, volunteers will be working in groups to pass out flyers at local grocery stores with lists of foods needed by FISH for their Thanksgiving Basket program. Volunteers will then collect the food as shoppers leave the store.

❖ Fred Crabtree Park is looking for volunteers to restore habitat of parkland through the removal of non-native, invasive plants. This includes cutting back, pulling and removing invasive plants to aid in restoring the natural balance in this woodland ecosystem.

❖ Reston Interfaith is requesting volunteers to help encourage families living in the Cedar Ridge Apartment Community to meet their neighbors and take advantage of resources at the organization's community event. Volunteers will be making cotton candy, running the moon bounce line, helping grill and prepare food, administering the registration table, and cleaning up. This project will take place on Saturday, Oct. 31.

that Fairfax County will have the ability to fund its portion of the Rail to Dulles project.

"As a landowner and employer in Reston and the Dulles Corridor, Reston Hospital Center takes seriously its role as a good corporate citizen and community leader," said Bill Adams, president and CEO of Reston Hospital Center.

BEI Receives Two Microsoft Partner Awards

BEI (Business Engineering) has won the East Region Breadth Partner of the Year and the East Region Small and

Medium Business Mid-Atlantic Area General Manager Award as part of Microsoft's Fiscal Year 2009 East Region Partner Awards Program. The company was chosen out of an extensive field of Microsoft partners for delivering market-leading customer solutions built on Microsoft technology.

The Microsoft Partner Program Awards recognizes Microsoft Partners that have developed and delivered exceptional Microsoft-based solutions over the past year. (BEI) www.beinetworks.com installs and services Microsoft-based networks for healthcare practices and other businesses throughout the Washington, D.C. area.

Registration Open for Reston Holiday Parade

Reston Town Center presents the 19th annual Reston Holiday Parade on Friday, Nov. 27, at 11 a.m. Community groups and businesses of all kinds from around the region are invited to participate and get involved. Neighbors, friends and families can get creative too, by wearing costumes to march along, or by building a float for this one-of-a-kind, one-hour parade. Participation is free, and registration is required by Friday, Nov. 6. Parade guidelines and application forms are available online at

www.restontowncenter.com. Direct: http://restontowncenter.com/iframe/documents/RestonHolidayParadeEntryFormandGuidelines-2009_distributed.pdf

For 2009, the 19th annual Reston Holiday Parade will kick off a milestone year at Reston Town Center, celebrating its 20th anniversary in 2010. Participants are encouraged to get into the festive spirit and celebration of this year's theme, "Reston Town Center - Defining. Inspiring. 20 Years."

For more information, contact Reston Town Center Event Manager, Billie Nicolotti, billie@myerspr.com, or call 703-476-9377. For float-building tips and ideas, visit <http://www.astroparade.com/htb.htm>.



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"EFI has a strong team in place to address the increasing need for wireline, wireless and broadband communications solutions and to strengthen Ericsson's partnership with the U.S. government," said Doug Smith, EFI president and chief executive officer.

EFI will be hosting a grand opening event for employees, customers, partners and the Reston community to showcase the EFI Technology Laboratory and Briefing Center on Tues., Nov. 10. Additional details will be released throughout October.

Reston Hospital Center Signs On for Rail to Dulles

Reston Hospital Center and HCA Virginia have signed the Western Alliance for Rail to Dulles (WARD) petition supporting the creation of a tax district to fund Phase II of the Rail to Dulles. It is only with the creation of this tax district

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Volunteer, Oct. 24 and Beyond

Volunteering to help your community, to help people in need, is good for soul and good for families. But of ten it's hard to know where to jump in, how to be helpful, where your efforts will do the most good.

But many local organizations have geared up for Oct. 24, a national day of volunteerism, providing structured and specific opportunities for people to help out for a day. And by starting on that one day, perhaps your family will find a way to volunteer several times a year or more.

Many families find that they benefit from volunteering at least as much as the organization or people they are helping. Volunteering develops a sense of community in children, and expands their capacity for empathy. In this area, many families' daily lives only bring them

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into contact with other affluent families. Volunteer efforts can give children and teens perspective, and more of an ability to count their own blessings.

Some teens might conclude that they are not well off because they drive an older car to high school — a cruise around a local high school student parking area could lead to the conclusion that nearly everyone in our area is a millionaire. A little time helping serve meals to homeless, to collect food for families who are having trouble putting food on the table, to help with repairs in a homeless shelter can have a powerful effect.

Volunteer Fairfax: Saturday, Oct. 24, 15th annual Fairfax area day of service. VolunteerFest mobilizes hundreds of volunteers to help nonprofits accomplish tasks that they

would not have the time, resources or ability to do on their own.

Some local projects:

- ❖ Cedar Ridge Family Fun Day, Reston, Oct. 17
- ❖ Shelf Reading Blitz!, McLean, Oct. 17
- ❖ Enhancing the Living Outdoor Classroom at Chesterbrook Elementary School, McLean, Oct. 24
- ❖ Fall Zone Replenishing at Borge Street Park, Oakton, Oct. 24
- ❖ Fred Crabtree Park Invasive Removal, Reston, Oct. 24
- ❖ Holiday Food Collection for the Needy, Reston, Oct. 24
- ❖ Nottoway Park Vine Clean-Up, Vienna, Oct. 24

See www.volunteerfairfax.org for more projects and to register.

Latest Scare Tactic

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COMMENTARY

The use of fear as a motivator in political campaigns is nothing new. All political parties have attempted at times to scare the electorate into supporting their candidate or issue. The most recent health care debate has seen numerous attempts at scare tactics: death panels, higher taxes, loss of benefits, the government being between you and your doctor and others. Sometimes the scare is great enough and the fear is strong enough that the approach does influence people's thinking. Other times the scare tactic taken from a national playbook and applied to local situations can seem silly.

Republican Party leaders in Virginia switched from their anti-immigrant rhetoric when it backfired on them in recent elections. The latest big scare from them seems to be the supposed influence of labor unions. When attempted in Virginia, the tactic comes across as ridiculous. The notion that somehow big labor could cause the economy of the Commonwealth to collapse and send big companies fleeing the state is absurd.

This year's annual debate sponsored by the Reston Citizen's Association provided an opportunity for me as the incumbent delegate in the 36th District to debate my Republican challenger. Questions were posed by members of the local media except that each candidate was given the opportunity to ask the other a single question. With all the concern about traffic congestion in our region, the needs in education at all levels, the budget reductions in vital services brought on by the recession, and the challenges

brought on by continued growth, my opponent went directly to the Republican playbook for his question and asked me about the influence of labor unions on my campaign, the right to work law, and the potential of companies leaving the area because of unionization. It was the latest scare tactic at work to suggest that Democrats are controlled by unions.

A minimal amount of advanced preparation before the debate would have revealed to him that in my 30 years in the House of Delegates I have never introduced a bill to repeal the right to work law nor has anyone else as I can recall. Likewise, I am not aware of any cam-

paign on the part of unions to repeal the law. Unions would have no self-interest as far as I can detect on having companies leave the state and take their jobs with them. My talks with union bosses have been about raising the minimum wage that has not been done in Virginia in 10 years, improving schools for their children and workforce training for their members, and eliminating predatory lending companies that prey on the poor.

Organized labor union members make up only about 4.1 percent of the Virginia labor force (U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, "Union Members in 2008," Jan. 28, 2009) and a lesser percent than that in the Dulles Corridor. I am pleased to have union endorsements for my re-election as I have also been endorsed by the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce Political Action Committee, the Northern Virginia Technology Council and the Northern Virginia/Realtors Political Action Committee. Our region faces many challenges, but organized labor is not one that we need to fear. We need to join their efforts to help working men and women.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Suspicious of Bias In Planning Debate

To the Editor:

The Reston Connection recently published an opinion piece by John Lovaas regarding Fairfax County's plans to review what he notes to be Reston's "ancient" Master Plan ["Land Use College — Role for Grads," Reston Connection, Oct. 7-13]. In his article, Mr. Lovaas states that while "the community is not seized with a sense of urgency" on this matter, the "leadership" of Reston's civic groups are. He goes on to comment that "greedy developers are at the door demanding new, high density projects (e.g. Fairway and North Shore) even now."

Perhaps the reason that the community does not share a sense of "urgency" on this matter is that many Restonians have become suspicious of the bias of some of the community activists who are quick to make statements that proclaim the demise of Reston at the hands of greedy developers. Nowhere was this more apparent than at a recent Reston Planning hearing on the Fairway Apartments Redevelopment Plan, where many of the members in my opinion embarrassed themselves and our community with inappropriate, "out of bounds" commentary that was not relevant to their venue or the proceedings.

I am a resident of Clubhouse Cluster, which is the smallest cluster in Reston, with only 11 homes. We are surrounded on the three sides by the proposed redevelop-

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OPINION

Those Pesky Yard Signs

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CLUB OF GREATER RESTON

It's that time of the year. Virginia election cycles require a trip to the polls each year, either for federal, state or local elections. Along with elections, come campaigns for the various offices. And yes, along with campaigns come yard signs.

Yes Virginia, it is true. Placing yard signs on public right-of-ways is against state statute. State statute also allows political signs to be displayed on private property 75 days prior to the election. The signs must be removed within 30 after the election. Fairfax County requires a permit and a \$100 bond to assure that the signs will be cleared after a specified period.

Year round we view mattress sales, carpet sales, Fun Boot Camps, real estate open houses, new development sales, etc. The Fairfax County Police Department advertises Open Houses, and no less, the Fairfax County Board of Supervises sanctions Fairfax

County Fairs and Fall Festivals to be placed on the median strips in violation of state law. Is the state law enforceable with virtually everybody doing it?

Political yard signs are placed to increase the awareness of an election and to foster name recognition. One particularly nasty, negative scare tactic sign authorized by the Democratic Party of Virginia is displayed on Reston Parkway — "McDonnell - Cutting our Schools." Did the arrogant perpetrators of this slime piece bother to get a Fairfax County permit?

**A DIFFERING
POINT OF VIEW**

Dream on.

Sad to say, if past election numbers are any indication, about four in 10 registered voters will find their way to the polls on Tuesday, Nov. 3. The other 60 percent will not be bothered to take the time, perhaps view literature, and read and understand the issues of this critical civic responsibility. Hence, yard signs.

While our current delegate has



sanctimoniously eschewed the placing of yards signs, there are those who recall his first campaign where he littered the northwestern quadrant of Fairfax County placing signs, it seemed on every available fence post, sign post, and telephone pole.

Most candidates would happily not have to spend money or effort on yard signs. They are expensive and often serve more as an irritant than motivator. We do have some that, for various reasons, take it upon themselves to remove the signs. They are referred to as "Yard Sign Fascisti" — a label connoting something other than our democratic ideals.

Rest assured Restonians, the most of the political signs will disappear by the first weekend after the election. Surely, one of our most sacred civic responsibilities can be protected for the few weeks on some discomfort.

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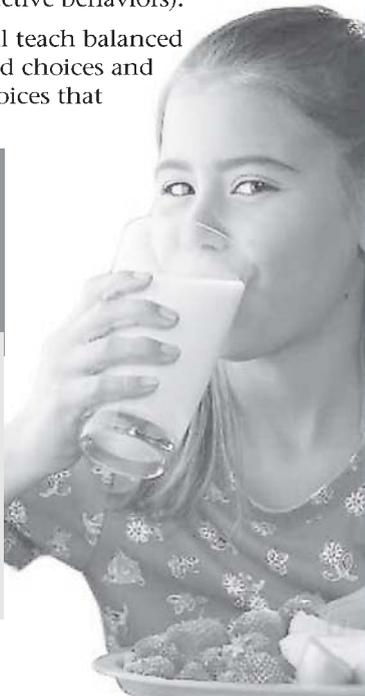
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LETTERS

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ment of Fairway Apartments. No one in our community will be more impacted by this redevelopment than our cluster. While there is a diversity of opinion within the cluster about the impact of the development plan, many of us believe Mr. Lovaas' comments, and Reston's handling of the Fairway Redevelopment are inappropriate. Rather than challenging by-right density permissions which is not their venue, our civic leaders would be better served to focus on ensuring that Fairfax County and the developer ensure that aging infrastructure is properly enhanced to support a development that is physically and aesthetically integrated into the community overall.

Not all developers are "greedy" any more than all civic activists are self-serving. While our Cluster joins in the passion of those who wish to preserve the "quaintness" of Reston, and in particular the Lake Anne community in which we live, the Reston Master Plan, as set forth by Robert Simon, is still held out as a model template across the country for Planned Communities. Any master plan, including Reston's, needs to be

constantly updated so it can evolve with the needs of the community but not everyone agrees, apparently including Mr. Simon himself (based on his comments at the aforementioned Reston Planning meeting), with those who believe that increased density is a bad thing in and of itself. In fact, many of us embrace the shift to a more "urban style" community and a redevelopment of eyesores such as the existing Fairway Apartments. Also, Lake Anne Center itself is a study in physical and economic deterioration and needs to be re-born. Increased development density does not threaten Lake Anne, it actually makes it more viable demographically. But Lake Anne must be reengineered in a manner that makes it viable and competitive for retailers on its own merit, which it currently is not.

Any rush to change Reston's Master Plan at the hands of a vocal set of activists is problematic. Master plans are designed for permanence, with the intention that they change and evolve slowly over time, and should involve input from all voices with the community, not just a select few.

Alan Montgomery
Reston

Book Sale a Great Success

To the Editor:

The recent Semi-Annual Used Book Sale was a great success. Despite cutting hours and adding a day, our Friends attended, volunteered, shopped and supported in many ways. Thank you to all of you!

The donations bin is open again and hungry. Be sure to bring up to two boxes per day per household of saleable books. What are saleable? We have a brochure that details it — e-mail if you want one or you can pick one up at the library.

The next mini-sale is the Puzzle Sale, Nov. 5-9. It will be in the new books area of the library. We are still accepting donations for that. Please tape the box closed, and drop puzzles off at the Circulation Desk.

Dec. 2-6 will be the Holiday Sale. In the same location, it will feature "giftable" books. On the Dec. 6, the Reston Library will conduct its annual holiday open house. Stop by for some fun and treats.

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For event rules and details, and for a complete list of remaining 2009 events, please visit the Fairfax County Solid Waste Management Program web site at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/recycling or call the Fairfax County Recycling InfoLine at 703-324-5052, TTY 711.



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LETTERS

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And in the next 90 days, if you are shopping at Whole Foods Market, you can contribute to the Friends of the Reston Regional Library by simply bringing your own reusable bag, and donating the nickel saved to the Friends. For details, see the blog entry <http://restonfriends.blogspot.com/2009/10/whole-foods-loves-your-library.html>

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BULLETIN BOARD

To have community events listed in the Connection, send to reston@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Friday.

THURSDAY/OCT. 15

Panel discussion on Perspectives of U.S.-Israel Relations in the Age of Obama and Netanyahu. 8 p.m. at Northern Virginia Hebrew Congregation, 1441 Wiehle Ave., Reston. 8 p.m. With David Makovsky, Distinguished Senior Fellow and Director of the Washington Institute for Near East Policy; and Jonathan Schanzer, Deputy Executive Director of the Jewish Policy Center. Free and open to the public. WWW.nvhcreston.org or 703-437-7733.

The American Association of University Women of Reston and Herndon presents special Guest Speaker Deron W. Lovaas of the National Resources Defense Council at the Reston Regional Library. Lovaas is NRDC's Federal Transportation Policy Director and will address the AAUW meeting on "Moving Cooler Strategies for Reducing Emissions." The meeting begins at 7 p.m. All are welcome to join in and learn more about AAUW. For info, call 703-476-0029 or 703-716-7360.

MONDAY/OCT. 19

Dr. Ronald C. Wichin hosts a free workshop to help lose fat, 6:30-7:45 p.m. Attendees will learn to lose 2-7 pounds per week, how we store and burn fat, the kind of food to avoid, how to have more energy and more. 104 Elden St #14, Herndon. 703-834-1910 or drwichin.com/index.php

TUESDAY/OCT. 20

Hunter Mill District Land Use Committee Meeting. 7:30 p.m. at 11484 Washington Plaza West, 1st floor. Two applications will be presented: Montessor1 Children's Center at 2754 Centreville Road, Herndon, and George and Carolyn Sagatov for single family detached at 10120 Wendover Drive, Vienna.

WEDNESDAY/OCT. 21

Landscape for Clean Water workshop. 7-9:30 p.m. Herndon Municipal Center, 777 Lynn Street, Herndon. \$5 per person. Open to the public, pre-registration required. Herndon Parks and Recreation Department, 703-787-7300.

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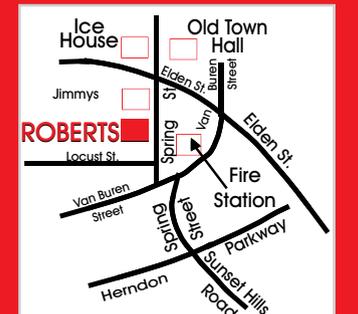
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CALENDAR

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THURSDAY/OCT. 15

Farmers' Market at Reston Town Center Pavilion. 3:30 p.m. at Reston Town Center, 11900 Market St., Reston. Locally grown fruits and vegetables, locally raised meats and poultry, bread and cheese, salsa and sausage. 703-689-4699.

Special Twos. 10:30 a.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Stories and activities. Age 2 with adult. 703-689-2700.

Looking Your Best At Any Age. 10 a.m. Beauty consultant Kathy Steinman and the Greater Reston Newcomers and Neighbors Club, at St. John Neumann Church, 11900 Lawyers Rd., Reston. 703-437-6866 or www.restonnewcomers.org

FRIDAY/OCT. 16

Used Book Sale. All day. Oakton Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. 703-242-4020.

Herndon High School Theatre Department Creative Coffee House. 7:30 p.m. at the HHS Auditorium. Students will sing, dance, read poetry, and play instruments. \$5. www.herdondrama.org.

SATURDAY/OCT. 17

Stream Cleanup. 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Free. All ages. 703-435-7986 or at habrock@reston.org. Site locations include:
 ♦ Upper Snakened Branch. Meet at

Hunters Woods Village Center.
 ♦ Middle Snakened Branch. Meet at Soapstone Road.
 ♦ Nature Center. Meet at pavilion.
 ♦ Colvin Run. Meet at Tall Oaks Pool.
 ♦ Stevenage Road. Meet at Reston North Park

Eighth Annual Reston Home Tour.

10 a.m.-5 p.m. A self-guided tour of five private homes in Reston, including two located at Lake Anne. Proceeds benefit the Reston Museum. Tickets \$30 at www.restonmuseum.org. 703-709-7700.

Farm Harvest Day. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Experience a day in the life of a 1930s era dairy farmer at Frying Pan Farm Park, 2709 West Ox Road in Herndon. Meet farm animals, try goat milking, shell corn the old fashioned way, peel apples, farm games and crafts and more. Watch a tractor motor power antique agricultural equipment such as saws and the apple cider press. Children can decorate pumpkins. \$5 per person. 703-437-9101.

Family Fun Day at Reston Heights. at 11750 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston. 12-5 p.m. Reston Interfaith's Walk to End Homelessness begins at 11:30 a.m. Live music and entertainment, face painting, food and drink, car show and more. Reston-heights.com/festival or 703-476-9377.

Murder in Movieland. 7 p.m. Herndon Fortnightly Library, 768 Center St., Herndon. Meet colorful Hollywood characters, gather evidence and figure out whodunit. Adults. 703-437-8855.

Used Book Sale. All day. Oakton Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. 703-242-4020.

Paint a Fun Halloween Figurine. 11 a.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Presented by Clay Cafe Studios of



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Great Falls Art Studios Tour

Sixth Annual Great Falls Art Studios Tour, Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 17 - 18, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Free driving tour on scenic back roads of Great Falls to meet 44 artists in their home art studios. Visit potters, painters, sculptors, printmakers, jewelry designers, photographers, quilters and others where they create. On tour days, pick up free program with map and driving directions at any venue marked by directional signs and blue balloons, including Great Falls Library, 9830 Georgetown Pike. Tour is supported by the Arts Council of Fairfax County, the Virginia Commission for the Arts, the Great Falls Foundation for the Arts and the Great Falls Business & Professional Association. Artists will demonstrate their work. Tour benefits the Great Falls School of Art.

Chantilly. Fired and glazed figurines will be returned to the library one week later. Age 6-12. 703-689-2700.

Reception and Catalog Signing. Divining Nature: An Elemental Garden by Rebecca Kamen. 5 - 7 p.m. with a Gallery talk at 6 p.m. Catalogs

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SUNDAY/OCT. 18

Photo Exhibit. 2-4 p.m. The Herndon Senior Center and the Vietnamese Photographic Society invite the community to a free display of photographs from around the world at 873 Grace Street in Herndon. 703-464-6200.

Oberlin Conservatory of Music Concert. 7:30 p.m. Unitarian-Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Road, Oakton. With the Litomysl String Quartet performing Bach, Handel, Dvorak and more. Free. 703-281-4230.

MONDAY/OCT. 19

Drop-In Story Hour. 11 a.m. Herndon Fortnightly Library, 768 Center St., Herndon. Stories for a few minutes or an hour. Tailor your attendance to your child's attention span. All ages. 703-437-8855.

P.A.W.S. to Read. 4 p.m. Oakton Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. Sign up to read to one of our reading therapy dogs. Age 6-8 with an adult. 703-242-4020.

Special Twos. 10:30 a.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Stories and activities. Age 2 with adult. 703-689-2700.

Easy Reader Book Discussion, Level 2. 3 p.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Read a book aloud and enjoy a related craft. Call for title. Age 6-7. 703-689-2700.

TUESDAY/OCT. 20

Colvin Run Community Center Weekly Dance. 7 p.m. at Colvin

FAITH NOTES

Run Schoolhouse, 10201 Colvin Run Road, Great Falls. \$10. www.colvinrun.org.

Book Buddy Reading Reinforcement Program.

4:30 p.m. Oakton Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. Sign up to read to a Big Buddy for 30 minutes every Thursday through Nov.19. 703-242-4020.

Preschool Storytime. 10:30 a.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Storytime and activities. Age 3-5 with adult. 703-689-2700.

WEDNESDAY/OCT. 21

MOMS Club of Herndon Halloween-themed Open House. 10:15-11:30 a.m. at Artspace Herndon, 750 Center Street, Herndon, for current and prospective mothers. Meeting other stay at home mothers, enjoy fun Halloween arts and crafts and treats. herndon_moms_info@yahoo.com.

Baby Signs. 10:30 a.m. Herndon Fortnightly Library, 768 Center St., Herndon. Meet Beebe the Baby Signs Bear, hear stories and learn simple signs. Age 6-24 months with adult. 703-437-8855.

English Conversation Group. 10 a.m. Oakton Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. English practice for adult non-native speakers. 703-242-4020.

Book Discussion. 7:15 p.m. Oakton Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. Rabbit-Proof Fence by Doris Pilkington. Adults. 703-242-4020.

Pumpkin Friends. 7 p.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Celebrate Halloween with stories and activities. Costumes encouraged. All ages. 703-689-2700.

Faith Notes are for announcements and events in the faith community, including special holiday services. Send to reston@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Thursday.

Award-winning political commentator and analyst Mark Plotkin is a guest speaker at the monthly meeting of the Hazak Chapter at Congregation Beth Emeth on Tuesday, Oct. 20 at 1 p.m. Attendance is free to members, \$3 for non-members and guests. Light refreshments will be served. Hazak, the conservative Jewish movement's organization for mature Jews, meet the third Tuesday of each month, from 1-3 p.m., at Congregation Beth Emeth. Meetings are a time to socialize, enjoy light refreshments together and often listen to a guest speaker on a topic of interest to seniors. For further information or to RSVP, please visit www.bethemeth.org or call (703) 860-4515, ext. 101.

Earnest Pugh and Kim and Kelly Butler will perform in Music Explosion '09, the Reston United Christian Parish music festival on Oct. 24. Proceeds will benefit Graceful Spaces, a nonprofit that provides household furnishings and supplies to clients of Reston Interfaith transitioning from homelessness to housing; and the North County Hypothermia Prevention Program, providing homeless people with indoor sleeping accommodations and hot meals. Also performing: the UCP Adult Choir, Praise Dancers and Bell Choir; Heritage Fellowship Teen Choir; the Washington Plaza Baptist Church choir; Sterling Community Choir Voices of Worship; the choir of Iglesia Bautista Shalom; and the choir of Martin Luther King Church of Reston. Tickets are \$20 for the 3 p.m. show and \$30 for the 7 p.m. show. www.unitedchristianparish.org

Congregation Beth Emeth, 12523 Lawyers Road, Herndon, will host a **Yiddish Club** on the first Tuesday of each month. Members will engage in a variety of activities that utilize the Yiddish language, including reading stories, listening to music and radio broadcasts, reading Yiddish newspapers and more. Free. Call 703-860-4515, ext. 127.

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

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2142 OWLS COVE LN	4	3	1		RESTON	\$1,000,000	Detached	0.29		RESTON
1307 STAMFORD WAY	5	4	1		RESTON	\$951,000	Detached	0.36		RESTON
11107 CHESSINGTON PL	5	4	1		RESTON	\$950,000	Detached	0.21		ONE CAMERON PLACE
11573 GREENWICH POINT RD	5	4	1		RESTON	\$932,000	Detached	0.23		RESTON
1305 DASHER LN	5	4	1		RESTON	\$910,000	Detached	0.39		HUNT AT LAKE FAIRFAX
1307 DASHER LN	5	3	1		RESTON	\$850,000	Detached	0.40		HUNT AT LAKE FAIRFAX
2262 COMPASS POINT LN	4	3	0		RESTON	\$850,000	Detached	0.35		RESTON
11680 BENNINGTON WOODS RD	5	3	1		RESTON	\$760,000	Detached	0.29		RESTON
1307 STABLE FARM CT	4	3	1		RESTON	\$725,000	Detached	0.23		GREAT FALLS CROSSING
2028 BEACON PL	4	3	1		RESTON	\$710,500	Detached	0.12		RESTON
11102 BURYWOOD LN	4	2	1		RESTON	\$690,000	Detached	0.58		ASCOT
11068 THRUSH RIDGE RD	4	3	1		RESTON	\$684,000	Townhouse	0.09		AUDUBON TERRACE
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11637 OLD BROOKVILLE CT	4	3	1		RESTON	\$635,000	Detached	0.13		OLD BROOKVILLE
11437 HOLLOW TIMBER CT	3	3	1		RESTON	\$630,000	Townhouse	0.09		RESTON
2009 LAKEWINDS DR	3	3	1		RESTON	\$620,000	Townhouse	0.05		RESTON
2004 SWANS NECK WAY	3	3	1		RESTON	\$620,000	Townhouse	0.06		RESTON
12603 THUNDER CHASE DR	4	2	1		RESTON	\$614,000	Detached	0.32		POLO FIELDS
10915 HUNT CLUB RD	4	2	1		RESTON	\$587,000	Detached	0.36		RESTON
11024 THRUSH RIDGE RD	3	3	0		RESTON	\$570,000	Townhouse	0.03		AUDUBON TERRACE WEST
11220 LAGOON LN	4	3	1		RESTON	\$570,000	Townhouse	0.05		RESTON
1915 BUCKTHORN LN	5	3	1		RESTON	\$550,000	Detached	1.10		RESTON
11618 FOXGLOVE RD	5	2	1		RESTON	\$545,000	Detached	0.55		RESTON
11447 WASHINGTON PLZ W	3	2	1		RESTON	\$540,000	Townhouse	0.03		RESTON
12025 NEW DOMINION PKWY#601	2	2	0		RESTON	\$520,000	Mid-Rise 5-8 Floors			MIDTOWN NORTH
2402 BUGLE LN	4	2	1		RESTON	\$515,000	Detached	0.62		RESTON
11990 MARKET ST #817	3	2	0		RESTON	\$510,000	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors			MIDTOWN AT RESTON
11048 THRUSH RIDGE RD	3	3	1		RESTON	\$510,000	Townhouse	0.04		RESTON
11141 TIMBERHEAD CT	4	2	1		RESTON	\$500,000	Townhouse	0.06		RESTON
2440 BRUSSELS CT	4	2	1		RESTON	\$498,750	Detached	0.41		RESTON
1935 CRESCENT PARK DR#07/193	3	2	1		RESTON	\$490,000	Townhouse			WEST MARKET
11306 MYRTLE LN	4	3	0		RESTON	\$489,000	Detached	0.41		RESTON
11776 STRATFORD HSE PL#408	2	2	0		RESTON	\$485,000	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors			STRATFORD
11765 ARBOR GLEN WAY	4	3	1		RESTON	\$479,000	Townhouse	0.06		RESTON
1612 APRICOT CT	3	2	2		RESTON	\$467,000	Townhouse	0.05		RESTON
1708 RANDOM STONE CT	4	3	1		RESTON	\$460,900	Townhouse	0.05		RESTON
2308 BALLYCAIRNE CT	4	3	1		RESTON	\$460,000	Detached	0.46		STRATTON WOODS
12302 COLERAINE CT	4	2	1		RESTON	\$450,000	Detached	0.58		STRATTON WOODS
11776 STRATFORD HSE PL#905	2	2	0		RESTON	\$445,000	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors			STRATFORD
11082 GLADE CT	4	3	1		RESTON	\$435,000	Townhouse	0.06		AUDUBON TERRACE
2405 GLADE BANK WAY	3	2	1		RESTON	\$432,000	Townhouse	0.06		RESTON
11437 WATERVIEW CLUSTER	3	2	1		RESTON	\$430,000	Townhouse	0.09		WATERVIEW
2026 CHADDS FORD DR	3	2	2		RESTON	\$430,000	Townhouse	0.03		RESTON
11344 LINKS DR	4	2	1		RESTON	\$418,000	Townhouse	0.06		RESTON
1506 ROUNDLEAF CT	4	3	1		RESTON	\$409,000	Townhouse	0.08		RESTON
1830 FOUNTAIN DR #1203	2	2	0		RESTON	\$400,000	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors			PARAMOUNT
11516 HEARTHSTONE CT	3	2	2		RESTON	\$400,000	Townhouse	0.06		RESTON
12000 MARKET ST #435	2	2	0		RESTON	\$395,000	Garden 1-4 Floors			SAVOY AT RESTON TWN CNTR
1567 AUTUMN RIDGE CIR	2	3	1		RESTON	\$395,000	Townhouse	0.05		RESTON
2014 WINGED FOOT CT	3	2	2		RESTON	\$389,900	Townhouse	0.04		RESTON
1851 STRATFORD #206	2	2	0		RESTON	\$368,000	Garden 1-4 Floors			STRATFORD
11784 INDIAN RIDGE RD	4	2	1		RESTON	\$365,000	Townhouse	0.07		RESTON
2317 HARLEYFORD CT	3	2	1		RESTON	\$360,500	Townhouse	0.05		DEEPWOOD
1256 VINTAGE PL	2	2	1		RESTON	\$356,500	Townhouse	0.03		RESTON
2327 MIDDLE CREEK LN	4	2	2		RESTON	\$355,000	Townhouse	0.04		RESTON
1442 GREENMONT CT	3	2	1		RESTON	\$350,000	Townhouse	0.04		RESTON
1906 CRESCENT PARK DR#2130	2	2	1		RESTON	\$350,000	Townhouse			LINCOLN PARK
1560 POPLAR GROVE DR	3	1	2		RESTON	\$350,000	Townhouse	0.05		BIRCHFIELD WOODS
2305 RAVENSDON CT	3	2	1		RESTON	\$349,000	Townhouse	0.03		DEEPWOOD
11886 BRETON CT #9B	2	2	1		RESTON	\$347,000	Townhouse			THE GLADE AT HUNTERS WDS
11148 FOREST EDGE DR	3	2	1		RESTON	\$342,000	Townhouse	0.04		RESTON
2123 GOLF COURSE DR	3	2	1		RESTON	\$341,900	Townhouse	0.03		RESTON
2358 HORSEFERRY CT	3	2	1		RESTON	\$340,000	Townhouse	0.03		DEEPWOOD
11866 SOUTH LAKES CT	3	2	1		RESTON	\$340,000	Townhouse	0.05		SOUTHGATE
11132 FOREST EDGE DR	3	2	1		RESTON	\$335,000	Townhouse	0.06		RESTON
1563 BROOKSHIRE CT	2	2	0		RESTON	\$330,000	Townhouse	0.04		RESTON
11941 HOLLOWWIND CT	2	2	1		RESTON	\$327,500	Townhouse	0.03		RESTON
12154 PURPLE SAGE CT	3	1	1		RESTON	\$310,000	Townhouse	0.03		RESTON
1312 GARDEN WALL CIR #203	2	2	0		RESTON	\$302,000	Townhouse			BALDWIN GROVE
11603 WINDBLUFF CT	3	2	1		RESTON	\$300,000	Townhouse			RESTON
1587 STOWE CT	2	1	1		RESTON	\$295,000	Townhouse	0.02		RESTON
2233 GUNSMITH SQ	4	2	1		RESTON	\$290,000	Townhouse			RESTON
2323 HARLEYFORD CT	3	3	1		RESTON	\$285,000	Townhouse	0.03		DEEPWOOD
12004 TALIESIN PL #31	1	1	0		RESTON	\$275,000	Garden 1-4 Floors			OAK PARK
11770 SUNRISE VALLEY DR#325	2	2	0		RESTON	\$275,000	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors			MERCER
11947 HOLLOWWIND CT	2	2	1		HERNDON	\$275,000	Townhouse	0.02		RESTON
12001 MARKET ST #245	1	1	0		RESTON	\$270,000	Garden 1-4 Floors			MRKT ST AT TWN CNTR COND
2322 EMERALD HEIGHTS CT	3	3	1		RESTON	\$265,000	Townhouse	0.03		RESTON
11640 IVYSTONE CT #02/002	3	2	1		RESTON	\$265,000	Garden 1-4 Floors			RESTON
12000 MARKET ST #441	1	1	0		RESTON	\$255,000	Garden 1-4 Floors			SAVOY AT RESTON TWN CNTR
1440 CHURCH HILL PL #1440	2	2	0		RESTON	\$254,500	Garden 1-4 Floors			HAMPTON POINTE
1694 SIERRA WOODS CT	2	2	2		RESTON	\$249,000	Townhouse	0.05		RESTON
1441 CHURCH HILL PL #1441	1	1	0		RESTON	\$248,000	Other			HAMPTON POINTE
2116 GREEN WATCH WAY#10/300	2	2	0		RESTON	\$246,000	Garden 1-4 Floors			RESTON
2402 CLOUDCROFT SQ	3	2	2		RESTON	\$245,000	Townhouse	0.03		RESTON
12013 TALIESIN PL #21	1	1	0		RESTON	\$244,250	Garden 1-4 Floors			OAK PARK
2233 LOVEDALE LN #407-A	2	2	0		RESTON	\$242,000	Garden 1-4 Floors			BRISTOL HOUSE
11986 BARREL COOPER CT	2	2	0		RESTON	\$225,000	Townhouse	0.03		RESTON
11800 SUNSET HILLS RD#1118	1	1	0		RESTON	\$220,000	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors			CARLTON HOUSE
11701 KARBON HILL CT #B	2	1	0		RESTON	\$219,900	Garden 1-4 Floors			BRISTOL HOUSE
2224 SPRINGWOOD DR #106A	2	1	0		RESTON	\$213,000	Garden 1-4 Floors			BRISTOL HOUSE
2205 HUNTERS RUN DR#2205	1	1	0		RESTON	\$210,000	Garden 1-4 Floors			HUNTERS CROSSING
1404 NORTHGATE SQ #4/12B	2	2	0		RESTON	\$205,000	Garden 1-4 Floors			NORTHGATE
11770 SUNRISE VALLEY DR#323	1	1	0		RESTON	\$195,000	Garden 1-4 Floors			MERCER
11909 BARREL COOPER CT	4	3	1		RESTON	\$192,000	Townhouse	0.04		RESTON
11216 CHESTNUT GROVE SQ#217	3	2	0		RESTON	\$184,300	Garden 1-4 Floors			CHESTNUT GROVE
11971 BARREL COOPER CT	3	2	2		RESTON	\$180,000	Townhouse	0.03		RESTON
11739D SUMMERCHASE CIR#D	1	1	0		RESTON	\$166,700	Garden 1-4 Floors			SUMMERIDGE
2233 LOFTY HEIGHTS PL	4	2	2		RESTON	\$150,000	Townhouse	0.03		RESTON
11625 STONEVIEW SQ#77/11C	3	2	0		RESTON	\$130,000	Garden 1-4 Floors			SHADOWOOD
2220 CASTLE ROCK SQ #12C	3	2	0		RESTON	\$130,000	Garden 1-4 Floors			SHADOWOOD
2214 CASTLE ROCK SQ #2B	2	2	0		RESTON	\$120,000	Garden 1-4 Floors			SHADOWOOD
2200 CASTLE ROCK SQ #12C	3	2	0		RESTON	\$120,000	Garden 1-4 Floors			SHADOWOOD

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As the sun sets on Reston Town Center Saturday evening, Oktoberfest is in full swing.



PHOTOS BY MIKE DICICCO/THE CONNECTION
On the dance floor in front of the stage, Peter Zhong plays with his son Chris, center, along with Jackson Thorne, left, and Colby Fey.

Oktoberfest Descends On Reston Town Center

Three-day Oktoberfest brings bratwurst, beer and live music.

For three days, the spirit of German festivity filled Reston Town Center, as visitors came from across the region for the annual Oktoberfest celebration. From Friday through Sunday, Oct. 9-11, bratwurst sizzled, beer flowed and music pumped out of the town center pavilion.

The festival included five live bands, as

well as DJs, while a dozen exhibit booths and almost as many food vendors, serving everything from German franks to French and Italian cuisine, lined Market Street. This year's event also included the new addition of an Oktoberfest Carnival, featuring children's rides and entertainment, as well as the first annual pumpkin-decorating contest. The Anthem Great Pumpkin 5K Race took place Saturday morning, and the town center provided free hayrides and face painting that afternoon.

The Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce produced the weekend-long party.

— MIKE DICICCO



AJ and Melissa Rowland stop for a picture while browsing the food vendors.

Compromises Sought on Bus System

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Supervisor Catherine Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill); Christin Wegener, the senior transportation planner for the Fairfax County Department of Transportation; and Rollo Axton, the chief of transit services division, Fairfax County Department of Transportation, discuss information after the meeting on Saturday, Oct. 10.



Residents' comments help shape changes.

BY JANELLE L. PLUMMER
THE CONNECTION

About 30 Reston residents gathered at the North County Governmental Center on Saturday, Oct. 10, to discuss concerns about the Reston Internal Bus System service.

The Fairfax County Department of Transportation presented service plan options derived from ideas gathered from passengers and residents at the Aug. 8 meeting.

Christin Wegener, the senior transportation planner who facilitated the meeting, said 27 people submitted 80 comments at the previous meeting.

"People want to compromise," Wegener said. "I'm pleased, and we did find a middle ground."

Some of the key tradeoffs and compromises from the summer meeting were: the RIBS cannot serve front doors of village centers and apartments during rush hour periods.

The RIBS cannot maintain 30-minute service frequency.

The FCDOT goal is to update schedules so buses keep to schedule.

Kevin Sullivan, a passenger and Reston resident, said FCDOT needs to make sure that the road is clear so the buses can run during the winter weather.

Sullivan said RIBS 1 and 3 do not come close to his house. He said he is concerned about the winter schedule.

"That's a good walk," he said.

Supervisor Catherine Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill), who attended the meeting, said people take the bus for different reasons and public transportation is an integral part of their lives. Hudgins informed the audience that they should consider the value of the discussion, despite tough economic times.

"Transit goes down if you do not have a job to go to," she said.

Those who attended the meeting received maps of the proposed new route.

The FCDOT will finalize recommendations in November and implement new changes in January 2010.

If passengers or residents have comments, they can submit them to

FairfaxConnector@FairfaxCounty.gov or call Nick Perfili, the Fairfax Connector Customer Service Coordinator at 703-877-5600.

Citizens Discuss Internal Bus System



Shirley Lee, federal government employee, Reston

"The Route 556 got eliminated in June. I've been talking to many people in this room. Right now, it takes me half-an-hour to walk to the bus stop. They are going to bring back service to my neighborhood ... to reroute the RIBS 4."



Kathleen Meyer, employee at U.S. Geological Survey, Reston

"I'm not happy that they are going to cut the RIBS 3. That's how I get to work. I don't want to quit my job, and I do not want to buy a car."



Curtis Clinton, home parent, Reston

"It was a friendly meeting. They were well spoken. The audience was polite to express their concerns."



Steven Epps, the general manager of MV Transportation, Inc., Glenda Hill, customer service manager and Ray Robinson

Epps: "Excellent. I think it's good getting input from the community. It's good to hear their concerns."

Hill: "It was very interesting. I make sure the residents are getting what they need."

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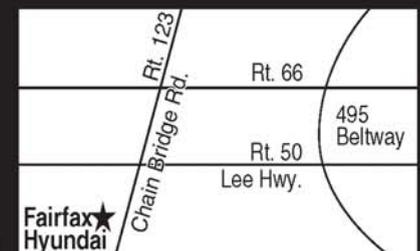


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Fairfax Hunt Club, a 200-year old log 'home,' plus 1950s addition, which is one of the features of this year's Reston Home Tour on Oct. 17.

Reston Museum Presents Home Tour

Reston Home Tour on Saturday, Oct. 17, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. is the Reston Museum's largest fund raiser of the year. Every ticket-holder receives a tour booklet that includes dining certificates for 20 percent off at Clyde's of Reston and a special offer for Vinifera Wine Bistro. The ticket and tour booklet also include a work of Reston artist Dana Scheurer.

Residents can take a self-guided tour of five private homes, including two located at historic Lake Anne, plus the Fairfax Hunt Club with chef demo and tastings. All proceeds benefit Reston Museum, 703-709-7700.

Buy tickets with map at Lake Anne at Reston Museum and Lake Anne Florist;

Reston Town Center at Appalachian Spring and GRACE; and at The Wine Cabinet at North Point Village Center.

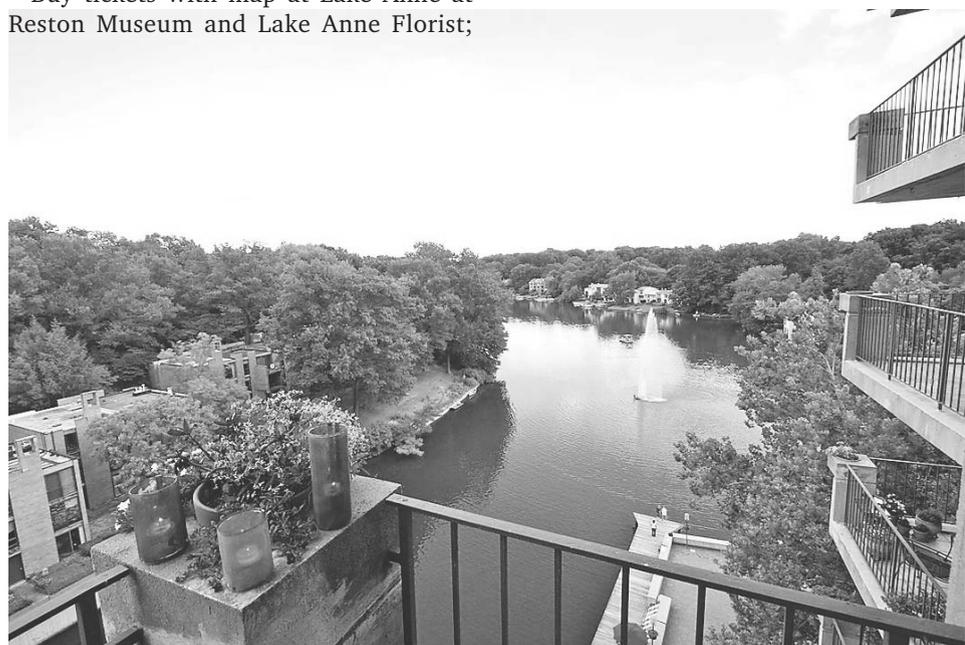
Tickets are \$30; \$20 for a group of 10 or more.

The eighth annual Reston Home Tour theme "New Visions" recognizes the 45th anniversary of Reston and the vision that was Robert E. Simon Jr.'s as he established this New Town.

Homes on the tour:

❖ Lake Anne, Heron House condominium, The Suntum Home – Owned by a long-time White House staffer, this one-bed

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Reston Home Tour-goers will get to experience this view from the Suntum home in Heron House.

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The Greenstreet home, one of seven stops on this year's Reston Home Tour, Oct. 17

Home Tour On Saturday

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room condo built in 1964 has been reconfigured and updated with 21st century style.

❖ Lake Anne townhouse, The Over Home – Located in the original model row of Reston's first cluster, established in 1964 at Lake Anne, this home was designed by renowned architect Clothiel Woodard Smith.

❖ Golf Course Cluster townhouse, The Reinhardt Home – The basic brick exterior of this home belies the interesting interior and lushly landscaped back yard complete with fountain and a view of Reston National fairways.

❖ North Point contemporary detached home, The Greenstreet Home – This custom CP1 home with a 180-degree view of Lake Newport contains a display of fine art and craft.

❖ South Lakes traditional detached home, The Abbott Home – A whole new dimension has been added to this dwelling with help from the owners' neighbor, architect Richard Newlon, and interior designer Jeanette Kelly.

❖ Fairfax Hunt Club – The 200-year old log "home" has served as headquarters for the Fairfax Hunt (established 1928) since 1951. Meet the chef and enjoy his demo and complimentary tastings during the tour, and learn more about this place in Reston.

The tour day ends at The Wine Cabinet at North Point with complimentary wine tastings and appetizers from 4-6 p.m.

The tour map includes an optional walking section of the tour, offering a glimpse of Reston's beginnings at Lake Anne between Reston Museum, The Suntum Home and The Over Home.

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Random Thoughts



By **KENNETH B. LOURIE**

So far, I don't mind living with cancer (heck, consider the alternatives; being deceased, having had cancer), but what I do mind is being reminded of it when I'm minding my own business. And by minding my own business, I mean, doing the normal-type things in life that have nothing at all to do with cancer. Everyday-type things like reading the newspaper, watching television, listening to the radio, talking with friends and family members about home, work, play, hobbies, etc. Invariably, and not even unexpectedly anymore, a lung cancer connection is revealed: a former Iranian leader (one of the many with whom I'm not familiar) dies from lung cancer (as reported by The Washington Post); Merle Haggard, in an interview in the Sept. 13 Parade magazine discusses his lung cancer diagnosis from last year; Kara Kennedy, Senator Ted Kennedy's daughter, appearing frail at her father's funeral, I learn, has been battling lung cancer since her May '03 diagnosis; and on and on and on. As my mother would say, "It's enough already."

Everywhere I look (and often even without looking), I bump into lung cancer. And so far, I must tell you, it's not bumping back. However, I have plenty of reminders in my daily/weekly routine: doctor's appointments, miscellaneous scans, weekly lab work, every-three-week chemotherapy, daily pills, diet restrictions/modifications, chronic neuropathy in my extremities, muscle weakness/soreness and an inability to work in my primary job and/or earn a regular income, that I don't need any more reminders; especially when for that particular moment/interval of time, I'm not in a cancer mode. Nevertheless, it happens all the time. It doesn't seem to matter where I am, what I'm doing or with whom I'm doing it. How and why matters not. The lung cancer reference/coincidence will rear its extremely ugly head.

It's reminiscent of whenever we've bought a new car (different make and model than we previously had owned). Once in our possession, all of a sudden, or so it seemed, we couldn't avoid seeing that make/model. Before we owned the car, we never saw one like it anywhere; now, we see them – or reminders of them, everywhere.

It's just so ironic that one day something doesn't really exist (in your world, anyway) and the next day, it's all over the place. Obviously, the world didn't change in that one day – you did. And my previous lack of awareness and recognition of something as serious as lung cancer not ever being a part of my world to now dominating it, is so striking and so surprising, quite frankly, that I'm beginning to doubt my self-proclaimed powers of observation.

How could I be so clueless? How could I be so insular? How could something so big effect someone so little (figuratively speaking)? I'm just one of millions out here trying to make a living, provide for my family and stay out of trouble; shouldn't cancer pick on someone its own size?

I realize cancer is indiscriminate and I'm not really taking it personally or bemoaning the fact that it is yours truly who has been diagnosed, I'm more railing at the constant reminders. Cancer is bad enough without it nagging at you. I got it already. I don't need to get it anymore.

Kenny Lourie is an Advertising Representative for The Almanac & The Connection Newspapers.

VIEWPOINTS



Monica Chowdhury, 16, Junior
"I already knew what happened to [Matthew Shepard]. I didn't know that girlfriends were involved. I saw what it meant for a parent to lose their kid. Doesn't matter if they are gay or not."



Bianca Holmes, 17, Senior
"There are other people in this world, and there are different races and different sexes ... being bullied myself. People are mean. They are doing it to make them feel good."

Mother Confronts Hate Crime

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Gordon said. "People who enjoy the professional work, put together in a collaborative way. [We discussed] how we could expand this conversation to kids in high school."

Gordon said it took months of planning, cooperation and a dedicated team of people. "RCC wants to be a catalyst felt through the community," Gordon said.

Andy Regiec, the director of the project

who has worked closely with the Reston Community Players, also attended the event.

Regiec said students from South Lakes attended one of the rehearsals on Sept. 19. "I think it's great the [students] are being involved," he said.

In the end, Shepard informed the audience that she blames society for the death of her son.

"We cannot remove hate," Shepard said. "Ultimately, it would be utopia."

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SPORTS

Ball's Line Play Ignites South Lakes

Senior tackle, still relatively new to the sport, is key reason for team's 5-1 record.

BY RICH SANDERS
THE CONNECTION

Kevin Ball did not begin playing football until the fall season of his ninth grade year at South Lakes High School. Now, more than three years later, the standout offensive lineman looks as well seasoned and schooled in the sport as someone who grew up playing the game.

On a typical snap from center, the 6-foot-5 inch, 265-pound right tackle bursts upward from his stance and drives into his defensive counterpart, often taking him backwards and onto the turf. South Lakes head coach John Ellenberger, naturally, loves to run the football behind Ball, knowing his team is bound to pick up good yardage.

"If we want to get some yards, we're going to run behind him," said Ellenberger. "He just pushes people around."

Ball grew up playing baseball, basketball and soccer within the Reston Youth Association (RYA). He did not play football, mostly because he was too big for the respective weight classes. But on a family vacation to northern New Jersey the summer before his freshmen year, his uncle Robert, a former football player at Marquette University, wanted to know if Kevin was going to play high school football.

"I was at his house that summer and he asked me if I was going to play football," said Ball. "I was like, 'Yeah, if you say it's fun, I'll try it.'"

During the first few days of try-outs that August, Ellenberger allowed players to try out for their favorite positions. Ball went over with the quarterbacks group.

"He came over to the quarterbacks [station] and I looked at him and said, 'Quarterback, huh?' He looked at me and smiled. I said, 'Come on then.'"

Soon enough, Ellenberger grabbed Ball and told him there

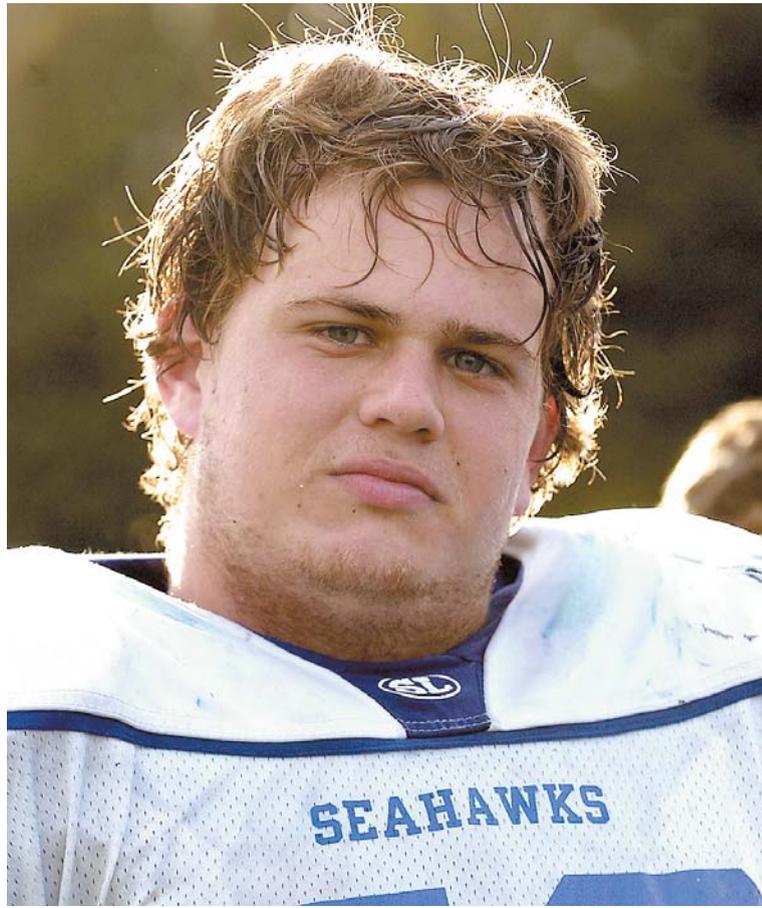


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South Lakes football player Kevin Ball is one of the area's top offensive linemen.

was a change in plans.

"I pulled him aside and said, 'Get your rear over there with the linemen.'"

Ball learned lots of the fundamentals of offensive line play that ninth grade season as a member of the Seahawks' freshmen team.

"We've got a good set of ninth grade coaches here that really work on [lineman] stance, take-offs, all the fundamentals you want kids to learn," said Ball.

The following year, as a 10th grader, Ball earned a starting po-

sition on the varsity. He has been playing right tackle ever since. Playing varsity as a sophomore was a challenge for Ball.

"I was playing varsity and I was 14 years old," Ball said. "It was a big adjustment. I was playing guys older, bigger and stronger."

But Ball, on a team that lost most of its games, held his own at tackle. Last year as a junior, Ball, along with his offensive line duties, also saw some time on the defensive line as well. He was one of his team's best players and

earned Second Team All-Liberty District honors at both offensive and defensive tackle positions. South Lakes went 3-7, but still qualified for the Division 5 region playoffs as a result of the recently expanded playoff format.

This season, Ball, who worked hard in the weight room this past offseason, has continued his progress as a football lineman. His teammates around him have also gotten better. South Lakes improved its record to 5-1 following last Saturday afternoon's 21-14 win at Madison, which was celebrating its homecoming.

BALL HAS ALWAYS loved baseball and will be a third-year member of the South Lakes varsity next spring. The Seahawks are coached by Galvin Morris. But it was on the ball diamond where Ball suffered a severe ankle injury last spring while attempting to steal second. The injury ended his baseball season and slowed down the football recruiting process. Colleges had been showing interest in Ball as a football player. But as a result of the injury, Ball was not able to attend recruiting camps this past spring as he was healing from his injury.

But Ellenberger said Ball has come back nicely from the injury.

"All the [college] coaches want to see how he's running on that ankle," said Ellenberger, who said NCAA Division 1AA schools all up and down the East Coast have expressed interest in Ball as a football player. "He's doing real well considering [the severity of the injury]. It's held up."

Ball's college plans are still in the makings. He would like to attend and play football in Virginia at a

school such as, perhaps, Richmond, William & Mary, or Old Dominion. Ellenberger is sending football film footage of Ball's games from this season to several schools.

While Ball's first sports love has always been baseball, football is the sport he would likely play in college.

"[One time] he said, 'I love baseball, that's my sport,'" said Ellenberger. "I said, 'That's fine, but you're going to be a scholastic football player.'"

On the football field, Ellenberger has become a take-charge leader and is one of the Seahawks' team captains this season. There have been times in a game where, with a big play coming up, Ball has signaled to the South Lakes sideline for a running play to be called behind his blocking.

"You'll see him signaling us to run the ball behind him when the game is on the line," said Ellenberger. "He's confident that he'll knock his kid off the ball."

Ball, who plans to play basketball for coach Daryl Branch's Seahawks this winter, has gained a tremendous feel for football in the short time that he's played.

"It's definitely a sport that requires a lot of coordination as a lineman," said Ball, who said he has come a long ways in his foot quickness and speed. "I've really grown into my body. I love playing offensive tackle. There's no better position on the field. You get to hit a person on every single play no matter what."

South Lakes running back Ja'Juan Jones, who scored the game-winning touchdown against Madison on a long, fourth quarter scoring run to break a 14-14 tie, said he loves carrying the football behind Ball.

"He's one of the best," said Jones. "I would not want to run behind anyone as much as Kevin. He makes running backs look good. He's bigger than everyone, he's got good footwork, he's athletic and he's powerful."

Ball, who loves spending some of his free time fishing with his father, friends or younger brother at Lake Audubon in Reston, is a good student in the classroom. And, in just a short time as a football player, he has become a student of the gridiron as well.

"Fundamentally, he does a great job for us," said Ellenberger. "He knows our [offensive] system."

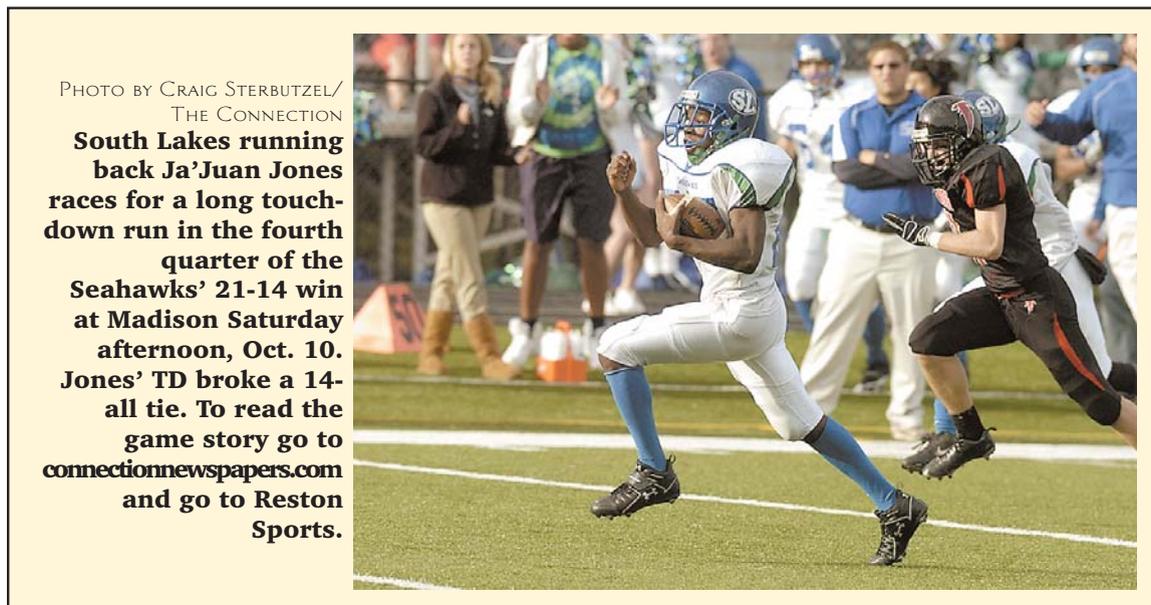


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South Lakes running back Ja'Juan Jones races for a long touchdown run in the fourth quarter of the Seahawks' 21-14 win at Madison Saturday afternoon, Oct. 10. Jones' TD broke a 14-all tie. To read the game story go to connectionnewspapers.com and go to Reston Sports.

SCHOOLS



Armstrong Receives Wellness Award

Armstrong Elementary was one of 15 schools to receive the first Fairfax County Public Schools Wellness Award. This award was given to a school based upon its implementation of the wellness policy adopted by the Fairfax County School Board to promote student health and contribute to the reduction of childhood obesity. An award ceremony took place to honor those 15 schools for their efforts to promote wellness in their school and community. Pictured, from left, are: Dr. Jack Dale, FCPS superintendent; Bonnie Hill, Armstrong PTA president; Ken Junge, Armstrong assistant principal; and Cathy Smith, FCPS School Board chairman.

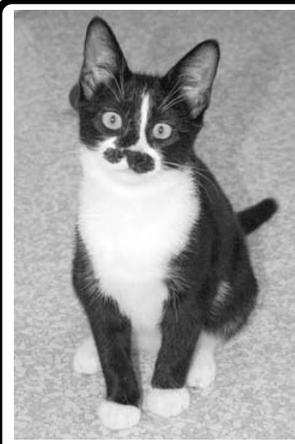
SCHOOL NOTES

David Shaw of Reston, a freshman majoring in general engineering in the College of Engineering, has finished new cadet week training with the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets.

Jane E. Carey graduated from the Army ROTC (Reserve Officer Training Corps) Leader Development and Assessment Course at Fort Lewis, Tacoma, Wash. The cadet is a student at the University of Richmond. She is the daughter of William D. Carey Jr. of Cobblestone Lane, Reston, and a 2006 graduate of South Lakes High School, Reston.

St. Joseph School in Herndon is inviting all 4-year-old children and their parents to an open house from 10 to 11 a.m. Oct. 22. St. Joseph School received the Blue Ribbon of Excellence in 2007 because its students scored in the top 10 percent in the nation. Parents and their children will have the opportunity to meet Principal Joan Cargill, tour the state-of-the-art facility, including new kindergarten classrooms, science lab, art lab, and inner courtyard playground. Every child will receive a special gift at the open house.

Waveney Hudlin and **Yoan Nkomba** of South Lakes High School are among the students from Fairfax County Public Schools who have been named 2010 National Achievement Scholarship semifinalists in an academic competition for Black American high school students conducted by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.



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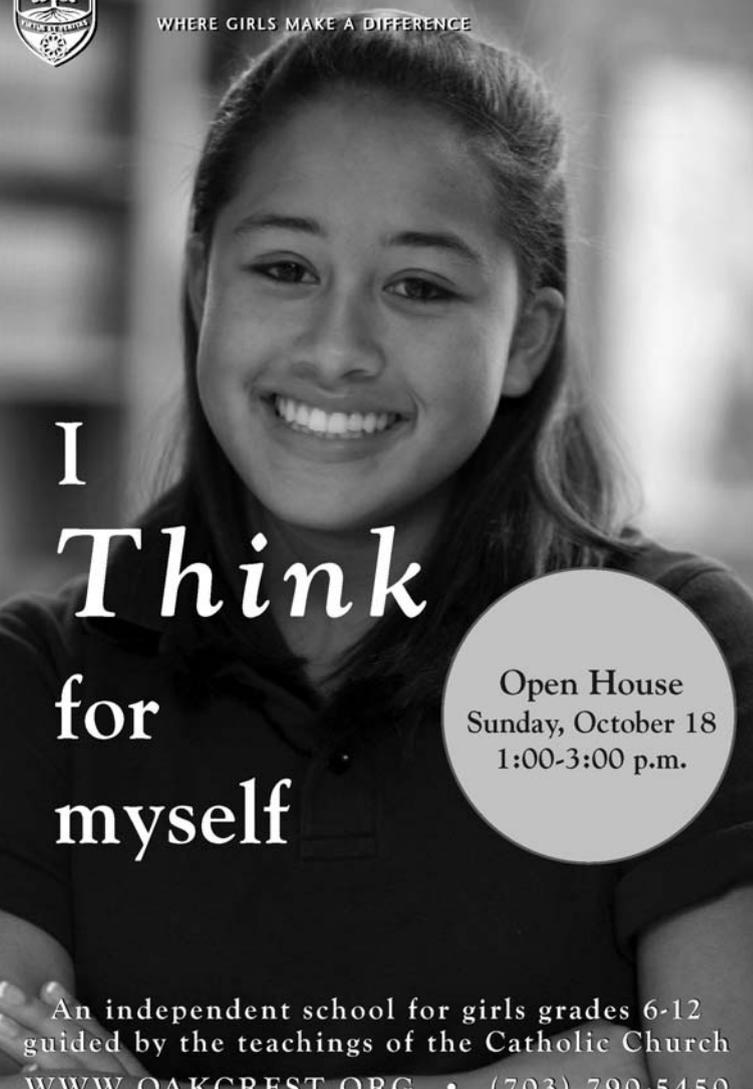
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