

# Reston CONNECTION

Jacob Clarke, 5, and Evie Errett, 6, add artwork to a letter to U.S. troops stationed overseas at the Halloween candy buy-back event staged by orthodontist Stephan Tisseront. Much of the money Tisseront paid for the candy was donated to the Children's Hospital, and the candy was being sent to the soldiers.

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## Pumpkin Carve-In Art on Display at Lake Anne

Reston Art Gallery & Studios wishes to thank supporters who participated in their "carve-in" of pumpkins donated by Whole Foods at Plaza America, on Saturday, Oct 24, at Reston Art Gallery & Studios at Lake Anne. Artists from the gallery were on hand to assist. Adults and children created 16 artistic jack-o-lanterns.

Creations were displayed in the windows of the Gallery and around the "children's fountain" on the plaza, before being carried by "Pumpkin Porters" to the Embry Rucker Shelter, Laurel Learning center, LAFH, Reston Children's Center and other locations, to spread Halloween cheer.

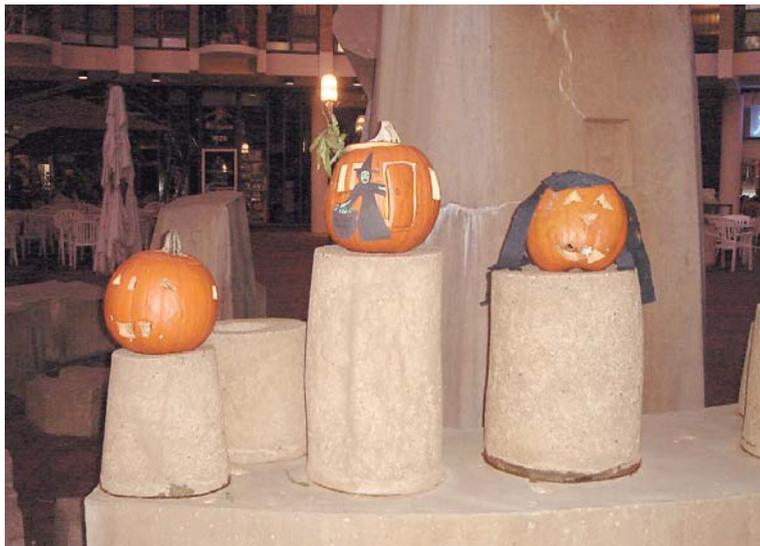
Organizer Bob Anderson continues this tradition that began in 1993.

**The pumpkins are sitting on the fountain at Lake Anne before being delivered to the selected locations.**



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**Pat Macintyre, director of Reston Art Gallery & Studios, was among the artists on hand to assist in pumpkin carve-in.**



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#### WEED WARRIORS PROJECTS

Our native trees, ferns and wildflowers are under attack by invasive exotic plants like English Ivy, Japanese Honeysuckle and Bamboo. That is why RA needs help in rescuing Reston's parkland from these aggressive plants. These fast growing, invasive plants escape from people's yards and seriously threaten local ecosystems, taking away vital food and habitat from already stressed wildlife populations.

Contact: Ha Brock via e-mail habrock@reston.org or call 703-435-7986

#### SOAPSTONE FIRE RING

Volunteers will be returning to the Glade Stream Valley targeting English Ivy and Pachysandra that is trying to take its place along the pathway from Soapstone Dr. toward Steeplechase Drive. Saturday, Nov. 21, 10 a.m.- 12 Noon. The volunteers will be working along the newly restored stream to protect it from invasions of non-native plants. Meet at the Soapstone fire ring down the hill from Glade Drive. Park on the street. There is poison ivy at this site.

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**Ammar Al-Mahdi of Tisseront Orthodontics dumps another tub full of candy into boxes to be sent to Operation Gratitude.**



**Cristina Munoz of Tisseront Orthodontics weighs the candy that Vivian Wheatfall, 3, and her sister Sophia, 5, brought to the buy-back, while the girls' mother, Robin, looks on.**

# Candy Buy-Back Collects Hundreds of Pounds

**Orthodontist's event raises money for Children's Hospital, collects candy for troops and protects clients' teeth.**

BY MIKE DICICCO  
THE CONNECTION

**N**ora Williams, 12, showed up at Plaza America Monday afternoon, Nov. 2, with what may be a foreign concept to some: surplus Halloween candy. Nine pounds of it, to be precise. "We had extra candy, and my brother's in the military, so we thought it would be nice to give it to them," she said.

The event was orthodontist Stephan Tisseront's fourth annual Halloween candy buy-back, to benefit both Children's Hospital and U.S. troops stationed overseas. Tisseront was offering \$2 per pound of candy, one for the child selling it and one for Children's Hospital, although he said many of the children also donated their share of the money. The candy was then to be sent to California-based nonprofit Operation Gratitude, which would incorporate it into care packages for troops stationed in various overseas locations. "So it's two great causes," Tisseront said. "And, you know, candy and braces, they don't match too well."

The children were also given the chance to write letters to the troops. Nora had thanked the sol-

diers "for protecting our country and others and for being so brave," she said.

Tisseront's office had taken the day off to run the event, which had been scheduled to start at 1 p.m. but ended up starting earlier. By about 1:30 p.m., 360 pounds of candy had been collected, and the donations were coming rapidly.

Daniel Pons, 6, and his sister Olivia, 4, had brought 8 pounds of candy between them. "My mom didn't want me to eat all of it, and I don't really like candy," Daniel said. On his card to the troops, he had written that he hoped that they, on the other hand, did like the candy.

Members of the Barrington family had recently discovered that they had a dairy allergy, so the three daughters kept some of their candy, such as the Starbursts, but brought 4 1/2 pounds of chocolate treats to the buy-back, said mother Malia.

"And I thought it would be cool to do it," said her oldest daughter, Caroline, 12.

"We thought it was the perfect solution, Malia Barrington said, noting that her husband, Scott, was retired from the military, and the children had still been able to

participate in the holiday.

"And I would have ended up eating half of it, and I don't need candy," her husband said.

Asked why she was willing to more or less give away much of her Halloween haul, 3-year-old Vivian Wheatfall said it was "because the skeleton children don't have any [candy]."

She was referring to the starving children seen in charity commercials on television, said her mother, Robin, explaining that their understanding was that troops would distribute much of the candy to children in the war-torn countries where they were stationed.

Vivian's 5-year-old sister Sophia agreed. "It's because of the poor kids who don't have any candy. They have nothing to eat and they can't survive," she said.

Her mother said this was the first year that the Halloween Fairy had visited their house, leaving each of the girls a toy in exchange for their candy, but the fairy had mysteriously left about four pounds of the sweets, so they brought that to the buy-back.

Children and parents alike were also treated to hot apple cider at the event, and each pound of candy earned one ticket for a raffle taking place in the evening, the prizes being a dinner at Champps Americana restaurant and an iPod shuffle.

By shortly after 2 p.m., the candy count was up to 525 pounds.



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**Ten-year-old Jack Ruszkowski, left, and his brother Nick, 8, pass out sample ballots in front of the Buzz Aldrin Elementary School polling place.**

## Election Day in Reston

**Aldrin seen as one of local 'mega-precincts.'**

the gubernatorial race four years ago. Yet at Lake Anne Elementary School, only 40 percent of registered voters showed up to vote in 2005.

The average voter turnout across Virginia and in Fairfax County during the 2005 election was approximately 45 percent, according to Virginia State Board of Elections.

Reston residents tend to strongly favor Democrats. In 2005, every Reston precinct supported Gov. Tim Kaine (D) with more than 60 percent of the vote and, in a few Reston polling places, he earned over 70 percent of the vote.



**T**he Reston Connection went to print before the polls closed on Election Day Nov. 3. For current information on local races, visit [www.connectionnewspapers.com](http://www.connectionnewspapers.com).

Poll watcher Jack Kenny said Aldrin Elementary School in Reston usually gets about 37 percent to 40 percent voter turnout for gubernatorial elections, but fewer voters appeared to be showing up at the polls for this year's governor's race.

About 80 people had come through Aldrin's polling station every half hour during the first couple of hours voting was available Nov. 3, said precinct chief Randy Causey.

But Causey said those numbers appear higher than they actually are, since Aldrin was "one of those mega-precincts," with close to the maximum 5,000 voters allowed.

During the previous gubernatorial election in 2005, Reston's voter turnout varied greatly depending on the polling station.

At Hunters Woods Elementary School, for example, voter turnout was near 60 percent for

Four years ago, the 2009 gubernatorial candidates, Democrat Creigh Deeds and Republican Bob McDonnell, faced each other in the Virginia attorney general race. The election, which McDonnell won with fewer than 350 votes statewide, was the closest statewide race in Virginia's history.

Yet in Reston, Deeds dominated McDonnell by a wide margin. The Democrat from Bath County won every precinct with over 60 percent of the vote, outpacing Deeds performance in Fairfax County overall, which was about 57 percent across the locality.

— JULIA O'DONOGHUE  
AND MIKE DICICCO

## Kaine To Speak at Committee for Dulles Gala

Virginia Gov. Timothy M. Kaine (D) will be a keynote speaker and Tower of Dulles Honoree at the Committee for Dulles 43rd Anniversary Gala on Friday, Nov. 6, at the Lansdowne Resort. Reception begins at 7 p.m. Dinner and program begins at 8 p.m. For more information, go to <http://www.committeefordulles.org/09galaspon.html>. For sponsorship, contact Mary Waters, Gala chair, 703-581-1700 or Susan Davis, 703-430-8749.

## RCC Board Members Confirmed

On Monday, Oct. 19, at the request of Supervisor Catherine M. Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill), the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors appointed three candidates to the nine-member Reston Community Center Board of Governors, all for terms expiring in 2012. The official results of the 2009 RCC Preference Poll resulted in the appointment of returning Board members William G. Bouie, Carol Ann Bradley and Colin Mills.

"I look forward to continuing my service at RCC and am honored to have the community's trust in me to carry forward the initiatives underway and to meet the challenges of the coming year," said Bradley, current chair of the RCC Board of Governors.

Bradley also serves as the Board liaison to Reston Interfaith. In previous years, she has served as the chair of the Community Relations Committee and as a member of other Board committees.

Bouie has been on the RCC Board for the past six years and is currently serving as vice chair. Mills has been on the RCC Board for the past three years and is currently serving as Secretary.

The Preference Poll Committee, led by William Penniman, conducted this year's Preference Poll using a new format. Each resident and business address of Small District 5 received a mailed ballot that they could vote online or mail-in in addition to the traditional walk-in format. This change has resulted in record-breaking voter participation in this year's Preference Poll.

## Epilepsy Awareness Walk Planned

The Epilepsy Foundation of Virginia (EFVA), Northern Virginia Chapter will be hosting its Annual Epilepsy Awareness Walk on Saturday, Nov. 14 at 9:30 a.m. at the South Lakes High School. The event will include a silent auction, balloons for the kids, and a visit by the local fire station. Community members are encouraged to come out and support not only overcoming the stigma associated with epilepsy, but also aggressively pursuing finding a cure.

For more information, contact Deborah Halla at [EFVA.NVA@gmail.com](mailto:EFVA.NVA@gmail.com), 703-317-3358 or Dana Douglas at [DanaDouglas@cox.net](mailto:DanaDouglas@cox.net).

## Donations Sought for Thanksgiving Outreach

The Herndon-based charity Nation Children will conduct a Thanksgiving outreach program at the Reston Community Center at Lake Anne Village Center on Wednesday, Nov. 25.

At last year's event, the organization distributed food and clothing to more than 400 people, and more people are expected this year. Low-income and homeless families will be able to pick up fresh food and vegetables, turkeys, children's clothing and other children's accessories. The event, which is held in collaboration with the Reston Community Center and the county's Department of Family Services, from 11:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Donations can be dropped off at the Nation Children headquarters at 603 Carlisle Drive, Herndon, VA 20170, or they can be picked up when donors fill out a donation form at [www.nationchildren.org/donations.html](http://www.nationchildren.org/donations.html). To learn more, e-mail [esther@nationchildren.org](mailto:esther@nationchildren.org) or call 866-533-6629.

## NEWS

# FISH Kicks Off 2009 Food Drive

Former FISH beneficiary helps collect food.

Herndon-Reston FISH, Inc. (Friendly Instant Sympathetic Help) jumpstarted its 2009 Holiday Food Drive on Oct. 24 and 25, at Safeway, South Lakes Shopping Center in Reston.

The patrons of Safeway donated 38 boxes of food, food gift cards and cash during the two days. These donations will provide food baskets for at least 20 families for Thanksgiving.

Among the FISH volunteers on Sunday, Oct. 25, was Sandra Muskelly. FISH helped Muskelly and her children about 17 years ago when they were temporarily homeless. Fairfax County provided housing to the family and FISH donated furniture, clothing and toys. Her youngest was an infant then and is now a college student. Muskelly is an administrative assistant at Northrop Grumman and was eager to give back to FISH by helping at this event, which she learned about from Volunteer



PHOTO BY SUE MAYNARD

**FISH volunteers, Barbara Beecy and Sandra Muskelly collect food at Safeway in Reston.**

Fairfax's "Volunteer Day" notice.

Businesses, schools and individuals may donate non-perishable food to FISH for the Thanksgiving boxes by Nov. 13 and for the December Holiday boxes by Dec. 15. The goal is to provide food for 650 residents, about 200 families, for each of the two occasions. Grocery store gift certificates of \$10 are also requested to supplement the food boxes. Gifts for infants to pre-teens are needed for the December boxes, such as,

books, toys, infant supplies and educational toys. Gift cards are optimal for teens.

Point of contact is Holiday Coordinator Robyn Kampf at 571-926-8019 or [rkhampf@gmail.com](mailto:rkhampf@gmail.com). Tax-deductible check donations may be sent to: Herndon-Reston FISH, Inc., 336 Victory Drive, Herndon, VA 20170. Indicate the check is for the holiday boxes. For information about FISH visit [www.herndonrestonfish.org](http://www.herndonrestonfish.org).

# Kebob House Opens at Lake Anne

Signs of more restaurants to come.

As of last weekend, customers at Lake Anne have one more dining option to choose from, and it appears that more are on the way.

Roti Grill, a kebob house, opened its doors on Saturday, offering freshly prepared food in the Pakistani Punjab tradition, as well as some more Americanized meals, such as the charga chicken, a rotisserie chicken with tandoori spices. "It's not fast food, but it's food fast," said owner Naveed Ahmad, noting that it was a casual dining spot where a meal could be had for \$10.

In Punjabi, the word roti means bread but is also a slang term for a meal, and in English, it suggests the word rotisserie, Ahmad said.

A Leesburg resident, Ahmad had



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**Roti Grill is now open for business on Washington Plaza.**

been looking for a location to open a restaurant for half a year when he brought his family to Washington Plaza at Lake Anne. His daughter, 4, suggested that this ought to be the place. He looked into the location and agreed. "It looks nice and pretty, and the people around

this area, they are very nice and cooperative," Ahmad said. As he spent the last two months preparing the space, he said, neighbors and passersby often expressed their excitement over the coming eatery, adding, "People in this area are familiar with kebobs."

Ahmad has a background in restaurants in both the United States and Pakistan, but he said, "It's my wife's passion that we should open a restaurant because she's a very good cook."

Meanwhile, work is being done in a unit next to the Reston Museum, where a sign reading, "sushi" now hangs in the window. And "for sale" signs are still displayed in the windows of the space formerly occupied by the

Tavern on the Lake, but on Oct. 9, the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control posted notice that a group called American Restaurant and Lounge Concepts Inc. had applied for a liquor license for the location.

— MIKE DICICCO

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# SCHOOLS

**Jane E. Carey** graduated from the Army ROTC (Reserve Officer Training Corps) Leader Development and Assessment Course at Fort Lewis, Tacoma, Wash. Carey 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.

**Lake Anne Elementary** has established a Bayscapers Club for students in grades 2-6 who want to learn about the Lake Anne environment, do some gardening, create outdoor and indoor artistic projects that celebrate the envi-

ronment, publish a newspaper, and build a shed. Bayscapers members will also add to the school's compost pile, build a frame for a garden sign, and transplant plants.

Students at **Hunters Woods Elementary** are collecting toiletries for the Embry Rucker Community Shelter in Reston as part of the school's Strong Hearts for Health and Helping program, which runs through the end of October. The drive began with a healthy heart walk-run on school grounds early in October; each grade level is currently collecting special items that have been suggested by Embry Rucker staff mem-

bers. Embry Rucker provides shelter and drop-in services for homeless individuals and families.

**Khrystyna Chekhlat** of Reston, Pratt photography freshman, was honored with a Young Photographers Alliance (YPA) Award and \$2,000 at the inaugural YPA Award Ceremony and Benefit Auction at the Metropolitan Pavilion in New York City.

**Sareenah Sayall** of Reston has received a master of business administration in business administration and management from Boston University of Boston, Mass.

THURSDAY, NOV. 12, 2009

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<b>NOV. 19 - 7pm</b> Thursday	<b>Dhruv Pateder, MD</b> <b>Reston Hospital Center</b> 1850 Town Center Parkway, Reston, VA	<b>877-689-DOCS</b> (877-689-3627)

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The river and the bay are an important part of our local identity, part of our local heritage and a remarkable environmental and recreational resource.

While over the past decade, federal and local governments plus environmental groups and activists have devoted much energy and attention to the health of the Chesapeake Bay, we have been losing ground. This is despite a clear understanding of the pollution problems

and the exact limits that would be required to make the bay healthy. There are three major sources of pollution in the bay, sewage treatment plants, agriculture and stormwater runoff from roads, driveways and parking lots. The resulting growing influx of "nutrients" from these sources causes an unnatural growth of aquatic plants in the bay, absorbing oxygen and then dying off, creating massive, floating dead zones where no life can survive.

Now, new legislation, the Chesapeake Clean Water and Ecosystem Restoration Act of 2009, proposed in both the House and the Senate, has a chance to make all the difference for the bay — and also much of the Potomac River from Arlington and Alexandria on down.

While the bills would ensure that the six states in the bay watershed and the District of Columbia develop and implement detailed plans to reduce pollution sufficiently to achieve the Bay-wide reduction targets for nitrogen, phosphorus, and sediment by 2025, it also has national implications as a blueprint for improving the health of other wetlands and waterways around the county.

U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly, an original cospon-

sor of legislation to reauthorize the Chesapeake Bay program, successfully urged the inclusion of language that will limit runoff into the bay from impervious surfaces, the one source of pollution that has continued to grow dramatically along with population growth around the bay watershed. Connolly's capacity to relate complex problems to solutions that would work in local government land use and stormwater regulation is invaluable in this. U.S. Rep. Jim Moran and U.S. Rep. Chris Van Hollen are also cosponsors of the bill in the House. U.S. Sen. Ben Cardin (D-Md) is author of the bill in the Senate; Virginia's U.S. Senators Mark Warner (D) and Jim Webb (D) should get on board as well.

The legislation proposed would connect the scientific understanding of the pollution levels with incentives, penalties (withholding of federal money if standards aren't met) and flexibility (interstate nutrient trading provisions) to achieve the necessary levels.

While this legislation is aimed at the Chesapeake Bay, local streams and rivers will also benefit in the process.

— MARY KIMM,

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EDITORIAL

## What Does Campaign Money Buy?

BY JOHN LOVAAS  
CIVIC LEADER AND RESTON IMPACT PRODUCER/HOST

**A**m I the only one who thinks that money plays an outrageously large role in our public policy machinery? While hard to prove beyond any doubt, the data make a compelling case that bucks buy influence and drive outcomes far too often. As U.S. Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass.) said, "We are the only people in the world required by law to take large amounts of money from strangers and then act as if it has no effect on our behavior."

This is not to say that all money taken by candidates for office buys influence in the form of votes on legislation or other favored treatment by government. Nor is influence buying intended by most donors who, like me, give modest amounts to candidates whom we believe share our views of good public policy. Besides, our donations are too little to buy any pol worth his salt.

However, large contributions, given by for-profit interests to the same politician over time or in large chunks, correlate too closely to behavior for even the most naïve among us to doubt the cause-and-effect relationship. In most cases, politicians do a pretty good job of camouflaging influence selling by taking the money in smaller chunks on a regular basis or having it come from different persons for the same corporate or industry purpose.

I offer you a couple examples of influence buying (and selling?) which would not be allowed if objective people made our laws. The first involves Virginia Dominion Power which gives personal gifts and millions of dollars to state legislators and executives on a continuing basis. In 2007, Dominion made big time



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donations to grease the skids for the bill Dominion itself wrote to re-regulate Virginia's electric power industry. Dominion paid almost every single delegate and senator from \$1,000 up to \$25,000 depending on seniority — i.e., members got \$1,000-\$2,000; committee chairs got \$5,000; and party leaders got about \$25,000 each. To track the money, see VPAP.org. The attorney general, who under Virginia law is required to give an opinion on proposed legislation (and serve as consumer advocate), received \$50,000 from Dominion and got his prompt review and stamp of approval on the bill. The accommodating attorney general is now Virginia's governor hopeful, Bob McDonnell, bought and paid for it seems by Dominion along with our legislature. In return, a bill re-regulating an entire industry sailed thru the compliant legislature, 35-3 in the Senate, 82-16 in the House of Delegates — in just seven weeks. Re-regulating an industry is incredibly complex and would likely have required a couple of years had the legislation been analyzed and debated. Instead, Dominion Power got its law guaranteeing nice profits and no strenuous requirements for efficiency or cleaning up environmental impacts. Consumer and environmental advocates were outraged — and ignored. Your electric rates climb to boost profits to pay lobbyists and pols who serve them.

Next: health care reform — a major league bazaar for corruption.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Music Brings People Together

To the Editor:

At a time when religious, economic and racial/ethnic differences appear to be driving people farther apart, the United Christian Parish of Reston was delighted that our communities demonstrated their ongoing commitment to unity by turning out in force for our first annual Music Explosion festival last month. What a joy it was to see our sanctuary filled with so many new faces and to hear visitors comment on how much they appreciated the opportunity to be together for such a good cause. The music was terrific and we are extremely grateful to all of the talented musicians and vocalists who graced us with their gifts.

Our goal is to bring communities together through our shared love of music and commitment to serving those in need. We realize that music festivals can't change the world, but they do bring people together. And whenever communities direct their collective talents and resources toward that which unites us, good things happen. Thanks to Reston, Herndon, Sterling and beyond for helping us launch what we intend to be an annual event. And thanks to the Reston Connection for letting those who weren't present get a glimpse of what they missed.

We hope to see you all again next year!

**Rev. Joan Bell-Haynes, Pastor**  
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# OPINION

## What a Difference a Year Makes

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



This column was written before the results of this week's elections were known. Regardless of the outcome of the elections, it had become clear through the summer and the fall that the mood of the electorate was very different from a year ago. Hope and the excitement for change had given way to mistrust and doubt for many. Most people continue to feel or at least read about the effects of the recession. Our country remains at war. The national debt continues to rise. While none of these are exclusively Virginia issues, they were nonetheless on the minds of voters going to the polls in the Commonwealth.

Contrary to the practice in most states, Virginia has elections every year. The result is a fatigue on the part of many voters and a burn-out of many campaign workers. Certainly, the results in Virginia would have been more predictable had the governor's race been last year when President Obama be-

came the first Democrat to carry the state in a presidential election in 44 years. But the extra effort of last year left many voters and campaign workers exhausted. And let's face it: few candidates could ever generate the enthusiasm of President Obama. Through the years there have always been federal voters, those who vote only in the presidential or Congressional election years. The historic pattern in Virginia is that the state elects a governor of the opposite political party of the president that was just elected.

Virginia's off-year voting schedule for statewide officials dates back to the 1850s when a new state constitution was adopted. The years in which elections were

to take place seemed to be more a result of when the new constitution was adopted than a purposeful attempt to manipulate election results. Nevertheless, during the 20th century, the off-year elections were viewed in Virginia as a way to reduce federal influence in state elections. With the intention of limiting the electorate, the dominant Byrd Machine was able to hold power over local and state elections even more easily. The likelihood of altering the Virginia voting schedule to get on the federal schedule is not great, for such a change would require a governor and legislators to serve more or less time than their usual term of office, neither of which is likely to be attractive to the general public.

Without presuming the outcome of the election, I would like to thank all those persons who voted for me this year and in years past. I am realistic about the challenges facing the Commonwealth, and I am deeply honored that I have been able to represent the people of the 36th District in meeting these challenges. Thank you for your support.

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The South Lakes High School sophomores get together at the home of John and Hoori Kruszewski in Oak Hill on Saturday, Oct. 31 for a Pre-Homecoming event starting their evening with pictures and dinner. The group pictured includes Katie Horlacher, Aren Durana, Sarah Delaney, Christy Hoffman, Sara Dalsheim, Elise Cross, Ariana Camielle Kruszewski, Sami Chamberlin, Lara Duffy, Chris Sheppard, Billy McLaughlin, Sam Campbell, Najee Lewis, Brian Kraus, Cassie Grabski, Jeff Church and Aliya Ford.



## CALENDAR

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### THURSDAY/NOV. 5

**Open Mic for Bands Night.** 9 p.m. at Jimmy's Tavern, 697 Spring St., Old Town Herndon (on the Corner of Elden and Spring Streets). Bands will receive 30 minutes to play, and must pre-sign with Andre' Love at [soulcraftmusic@yahoo.com](mailto:soulcraftmusic@yahoo.com) or 703-984-9114. Walk-ins will only be accepted if time permits. All types of music welcomed. 703-435-5467.

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

### FRIDAY/NOV. 6

**Reston Community Players Present Curtains.** 8 p.m. CenterStage Theater at the Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. \$20 adults, \$17 seniors and students. 703-476-4500 or [www.restonplayers.org](http://www.restonplayers.org).

**Reston V.I.P.** 2 p.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Support group for adults with vision loss. 703-689-2700.

### SATURDAY/NOV. 7

**Community of Faith United Methodist Church Arts and Crafts Fair,** to raise money for both local and nationwide missions. Community of Faith United Methodist Church, 13224 Franklin Farm Road, Herndon. Clothing,

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**Weichert Realtors/ Habitat for Humanity Community Yard Sale,** at Weichert Realtors, 1760 Reston Parkway, Reston. Pick up a registration packet at Weichert, Realtors. \$25 per vendor space. 703-264-0000.

### Herndon United Methodist Church

**Harvest Bazaar.** 9 a.m. Yard sale, car wash, shoppers showcase, crafters, children's activities, moonbounce, bake sale and more. Gospel concert at 5:30 featuring All4hym. Proceeds benefit Youth Led and other missions.

### Trout Fishing in America,

with Ezra Idlel (guitar and vocals) and Keith Grimwood (bass and vocals). 3 p.m. at Centerstage Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. 703-476-4500 or [www.restoncommunitycenter.com](http://www.restoncommunitycenter.com).

### Our Daily Bread Holiday Food Drive.

10 a.m.-4 p.m. next to Safeway at Courthouse Plaza, 10376 Willard Way, Fairfax City. Proceeds to benefit SHARE. [www.our-daily-bread.org](http://www.our-daily-bread.org).

### Scouting for Food.

Boy Scout Troop 1970 will distribute flyers and food collection bags around Reston on Saturday, Nov. 7 for their annual Scouting for Food drive. Food items will be picked up on Saturday Nov. 14 by Cub Scout Pack 1971. Leave food items in bags on your front step. All food donations are taken to local food banks in Reston for distribution to those in need. Boy Scout Troop 1970

meets at the United Christian Parish on 11508 North Shore Drive in Reston, Cub Scout Pack 1971 meets at Hunters Woods Elementary School.

### Home 4 the Holidays Super Pet Adoption Event.

11 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Reston Town Center, Freedom Drive, Reston. Raffle at Bark 'n Bubbles booth. Sponsored by GoodDogz.org; at least thirty all-breed and purebred dog rescue organizations will on-hand with adoptable dogs awaiting a family. [pam@barknbubblesdogwash.com](mailto:pam@barknbubblesdogwash.com).

### Children's Author Mary Rand Hess.

4-6 p.m. at ArtinSights, Reston Town Center, 11921 Freedom Drive, Reston. "The Day I Met the Nuts" book signing. [www.earthdaypublishing.com](http://www.earthdaypublishing.com).

### SUNDAY/NOV. 8

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**Curtains.** 2:30 p.m. CenterStage Theater at the Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. This performance will be sign interpreted for the deaf and hearing impaired. \$20 adults, \$17 seniors and students. 703-476-4500 or [www.restonplayers.org](http://www.restonplayers.org).

#### Monte Carlo Night.

5:30-10 p.m. Fairview Park Marriott, 3111 Fairview Park Drive, Falls Church. \$50 per person. Appetizers, casino games, music and dancing, door prizes, silent and live auctions and more. Sponsored by the Rotary Clubs of Northern Virginia. Proceeds go to local educational and civic programs. 703-693-9300.

### MONDAY/NOV. 9

**Drop-In Story Hour.** 11 a.m. Herndon Fortnightly Library, 768 Center St., Herndon. 703-437-8855.

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### Kids' Science.

3 p.m. Stories and a science experiment. Age 5-7. 703-689-2700.

### Conserve and Save Dollars Workshop.

6:30 p.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Conservation tips, do it yourself energy audit and energy share program information. Adults. 703-689-2700.

### TUESDAY/NOV. 10

**Colvin Run Community Center Weekly Dance.** 7 p.m. at Colvin Run Schoolhouse, 10201 Colvin Run Road, Great Falls. \$10. [www.colvinrun.org](http://www.colvinrun.org).

### Garnet Rogers.

7:15 p.m. in the Back Room at The Tortilla Factory, 648 Elden Street, Herndon. \$14 non-members, \$13 members. Purchase tickets Tuesdays at The Folk Club or e-mail Dave Hurd at [DAHurdSr@cs.com](mailto:DAHurdSr@cs.com)

### NVHC Speaker Series.

8 p.m. at Northern Virginia Hebrew Congregation, 1441 Wiehle Ave., Reston. "Who Speaks for American Jews on Israel and the Middle East?" Daniel Levy, Senior Fellow and Co-Director of the New America Foundation's Middle East Task Force and Senior Fellow of the Century Foundation Prospects for Peace Project. Free. 703-437-7733 or [www.nvhcreston.org](http://www.nvhcreston.org).

### Reston Garden Club.

1 p.m. at the Lake Anne Community Center. Jane Bell will present an Ikebana demonstration. The club will also sell deer-resistant bulbs at the meeting. Attendees are requested to bring a

non-perishable food which will be donated to F.I.S.H. 703-716-0623 or [www.restongardenclub.org](http://www.restongardenclub.org).

### Special Twos.

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

### Songs of Mark Twain's America

With Judy Cook. 7 p.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. 703-689-2700.

### THURSDAY/NOV. 12

**Artist Patricia C. K. Macintyre.** 11 a.m. at Reston's Used Book Shop, 1623 Washington Plaza, Lake Anne Village Center, Reston. "From Here To There And Back With A Quack!" book signing. 703-435-9772.

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#### Friday Night Coffee House.

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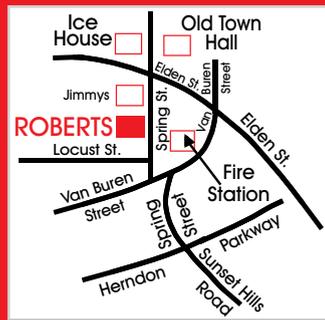
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PHOTOS BY JANELLE L. PLUMMER/THE CONNECTION  
**Loren Bruce, volunteer tour guide at the Reston Museum, and Nancy Davis, a resident of Reston, at the Reston Museum on Saturday, Oct. 25.**



**Reston Museum is operated by the Reston Historic Trust and offers community exhibits and archives, plus Reston signature items for sale, according to the museum's official Web site.**

# Museum Tells 'Reston Story'

New programs for schools, community planned.

Upcoming Events

BY JANELLE L. PLUMMER  
THE CONNECTION

**R**eston Museum is completely refurbished, and it continues to offer all sorts of educational and community activities for residents in the community.

Lynn Lilienthal, chairman of the board of the Reston Museum, said the museum works closely with

Langston Hughes Middle School in Reston, especially with eighth grade students on their oral history projects in the spring.

"[We] try to encourage all the schools [to visit the museum]," Lilienthal said, "and show them what we have. A lot of people that live in Reston do not know that Lake Anne exists."

Lilienthal said that Forest Edge Elementary School usually has a

treasure hunt around the plaza, and the museum is usually included in that.

Loren Bruce, volunteer tour guide at the Reston Museum, said the museum is not just for showing the history of the how Reston began, but how it revolutionized planning.

"There are a number of important things that happened," Bruce said. "Come by and read the history and the displays."

Nancy Davis, a resident of Reston who has lived in the community for 38 years, said the museum is educational not just for students but for all residents.

"They've done the historic story so beautifully," Davis said. "[Residents] can learn a lot how Reston began." Davis said she visited Reston in 1971 and walked around the plaza and she saw the fountain and the people. She said she wanted to live in a city with contemporary architecture.

"This was a community," she

The museum is offering guided tours on Saturdays at 12:15 p.m. for children and adults. During the tour, visitors and residents can review the early plans for Reston dating back to the early 1960s. According to the Reston Museum's official Web site, the weekly presentations will also include a walking tour of Washington Plaza at the historic Lake Anne Village Center.

On Saturday, Nov. 14, Reston Museum presents author Jim Kirby. Kirby presents his book exploring the cultural and natural history of Harpers Ferry in photographs. Signed copies of the book will be available for purchase. Visit Reston Museum's at [www.Restonmuseum.org](http://www.Restonmuseum.org)

Reston Museum is open Saturdays, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Tuesday-Friday and Sunday, 12-5 p.m.

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said, "it was for everybody."

Lilienthal said the museum plans to offer evening programs, lectures and oral histories. She said if students are interested in internships and community service hours, they should contact the museum for more information.

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## What is this museum's contribution to the community life?

From left, Mary Wakem, Nancy Larson and Cal Larson visit the refurbished Reston Museum on Saturday, Oct. 24.



Nancy Larson, Reston, Retired

"It's nicely done. I think it provides a sense of focus that Reston needs. It's an ideal place for it. [I'm] very proud of what they accomplished."

Cal Larson, Reston, Retired

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### What is this museum's contribution to the community life?



**Mahesh Karwa, Philadelphia, Pharmaceutical Scientist**

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### Simon Meets Fairfax Hunt Club Members

Reston founder Robert E. Simon Jr. meets the members of the Fairfax Hunt Club on Lake Fairfax Drive in Reston, during the Reston Home Tour on Oct. 17. The Fairfax Hunt was established pre-Reston, by A. Smith Bowman, in 1928. The club building was established in 1951 — and is still used for the hunt breakfasts and meetings — while the hunt activities are conducted in Loudoun County.

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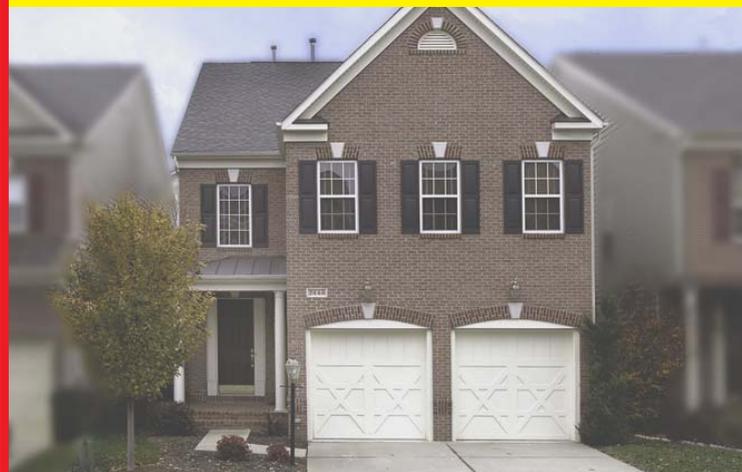
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# Seahawk Boys Second at Cross Country Championships

Four South Lakes runners earn top 15 medals, Moyer gains all-district honors on girls' side.

BY RICH SANDERS  
THE CONNECTION

All season long, South Lakes has received solid production from boys' cross country runners Nick Guarnaccia, Austin Leggett and Will Sickenberger. At last week's Liberty District championships at Burke Lake Park, the trio led the Seahawks to a breakthrough second place overall team finish.

"Those three have been keys to our success this season," said South Lakes coach Kevin Donovan, of the three juniors. "They frequently finish within three seconds of each other."

It marked the best team finish for the South Lakes boys since 2001 when that fall's Seahawks also finished second. South Lakes' last district team title was in 1984.

"We ran a nice race," said Donovan, whose team, with 57 points, finished behind champion Jefferson (34) but well ahead of third place Fairfax (110). "There was a big gap between us and third place. So we had an opportunity to [focus primarily] on first place. It just didn't work out. We obviously would have liked to have won. I thought we did fine."

Guarnaccia, the Seahawks' top finisher at districts, was seventh overall. Leggett, meanwhile, took ninth place and Sickenberger was 11th. Also earning a top 15 medal was junior Alex Clough (12th).



PHOTO BY RICH SANDERS

**Kevin Donovan, South Lakes High cross country coach**

Guarnaccia had missed the Seahawks' final big meet during the regular season — the MileStat.com Invitational in Chesterfield — as a result of a flu bug. But he came back strong to lead South Lakes at districts.

"I'm very happy with the way he ran," said Donovan. "He ran a pretty good race at districts and got seventh after not placing last year."

Sickenberger, who was also coming off a recent illness, had finished 25th overall in Chesterfield. He struggled somewhat at districts, but still had enough to earn All-District recognition by finishing in the top 15.

"It was a sort of mediocre race for him," said Donovan. "He still managed to get 11th place."

A year ago, South Lakes finished third at districts. Finishing second last week was a sign that the Seahawks are continuing to improve and get better.

"I think some real progress has been made," said Donovan, of the boys' program. "[Finishing second] was a big jump for the program."

Team highlights during the regular season included a third place finish at the MileStat.com meet, a top 10 showing at Oatlands in Leesburg and a fifth place finish at the season opening Monroe Parker Invitational.

The South Lakes boys will compete at the 16-team Northern Region championships Thursday afternoon, Nov. 5 at Burke Lake Park.

**SOUTH LAKES'** Val Moyer earned a district medal with an 11th place finish at the Liberty District girls' championship meet. The senior, who did not place at districts last year, is now headed for regionals.

"If she has a good race [at regionals] she should be in contention to qualify for states," said Donovan, of the Seahawks' fourth year runner.

The top 15 girls' finishers at regionals will advance to the state meet Nov. 14 at Great Meadows.

South Lakes' next top finisher behind Moyer at districts was Mary Hickox, who finished 30th overall.



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**South Lakes running back Ja'Juan Jones, shown here running against McLean, scored two touchdowns in the Hornets' 24-21 loss to Langley last Friday night.**

## Regular Season Football Wraps Up Friday

South Lakes needs win to finish over .500, Herndon and Oakton both need victories to reach five-win marks.

BY RICH SANDERS  
THE CONNECTION

The area high school football teams — South Lakes, Herndon and Oakton — are set to wrap up the regular season schedule Friday night, Nov. 6.

South Lakes, which will likely qualify for the upcoming Division 5 Northern Region playoffs, has lost its last three games following a 5-1 start. The Seahawks will have a tough mission this Friday in Ashburn against defending Division 5 region champion and Liberty District opponent Stone Bridge.

South Lakes' last win came on Oct. 10 at Madison, 21-14. Since then, the Seahawks have lost to Fairfax, 27-22, non-region opponent Dominion, 46-20, and visiting Langley, 24-21, last Friday night.

In the loss to the Saxons, South Lakes had outstanding success running the football behind big games from running backs Darius Smith (138 yards, two touchdowns) and Ja'Juan Jones (108 yards, one touchdown). But Langley got a big game from quarterback Braden Anderson (14-of-26, 220 yards, one touchdown) and a 90-yard kickoff return by Marcus Harvey, son of former Redskins player Ken Harvey, to take the win.

**HERNDON** is also in the midst of a three-game losing streak after being 4-2 at one point. The Hornets (4-5) will try to finish their season at the .500 mark when they travel to Westfield for a Concorde District game on Friday. A year ago, Herndon got its biggest victory of the season with a home-

coming win over the Bulldogs before ultimately losing to them in a first round game of the Division 6 region playoffs.

Westfield, coming off a 24-7 win over Centreville, is 5-4.

Herndon struggled in a 35-7 district home loss to Chantilly last week. The Hornets' lone touchdown came in the final quarter on a 79 yard run by Austin Moore.

Herndon's last win was on Oct. 9 at Centreville, 35-30. Since then, coach Joe Sheaffer's team has lost to Oakton, non-region opponent Loudoun Valley and the Chargers last week. The Hornets will be looking to end the season with a victory when they take on Westfield.

**OAKTON**, also 4-5, started the season 3-1 with the wins coming over Madison, West Springfield and Annandale. But the Cougars, who went unbeaten during the regular season last year before winning the Division 6 region crown, have lost four of their last five games, including a 35-17 setback at Robinson last week.

Oakton quarterback Jimmy Boone accounted for his team's biggest play of the game, an 83-yard touchdown run. Oakton's other touchdown came on a one-yard scoring run by Luke Willis. Eric Goins kicked a 42 yard field goal for the Cougars, who trailed 21-10 at the half.

Robinson improved to 8-1 with the win. The Rams' lone loss came against Westfield, a 21-20 overtime defeat on Oct. 19.

Coach Joe Thompson's Cougars will be looking to finish at .500 with a win over the Wildcats this week.

### SPORTS ROUNDUPS

**Westfield High** will once again be hosting the Eighth Annual Bulldog Bash Holiday Basketball Tournament Dec. 28-30. The event will include both a boys and a girls tournament. Teams competing from the tournament will be from Northern Virginia, Roanoke and Pennsylvania.

The boys' field of teams will include Langley, Centreville, Flint Hill, Woodbridge, West Potomac, Freedom (Loudoun County), Patrick Henry (Roanoke) and defending tournament champion Westfield.

The girls' bracket will include James Madison,

Potomac, Flint Hill, Centreville, Freedom (Loudoun County), St. Hubert's (Philadelphia), and last year's champion McDowell High of from Erie, Pa.

Admission for the Bulldog Bash will be \$6 per day. A three-day tournament pass will be available for \$15. Free admission will be granted to children under 6, adults over 60 and any travel or house youth basketball players wearing their uniform tops who are accompanied by a paying adult.

For more information on the tournament, check out the tournament Web site at [www.bulldogbashtournament.com](http://www.bulldogbashtournament.com).

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In execution of a Deed of Trust from Scott W. Pruitt and Paula E. Pruitt, dated October 11, 2000, and recorded October 16, 2000, in Deed Book 11560 at page 1314 among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia, the undersigned substitute trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front entrance of the Judicial Center for Fairfax County, at . Virginia, on

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the following property being the property contained in said Deed of Trust, described as follows:

Lot 1, Loveless Subdivision, as the same appears duly dedicated, platted and recorded in Deed Book 2035 at page 660, among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia.

Commonly known as 2830 Fox Mill Road, Herndon, Virginia 20171.

**TERMS OF SALE:** A deposit of \$16,000.00 or ten percent (10%) of the sale price, whichever amount is less, in the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser at the time and place of sale; the balance of the purchase money being due and payable within fifteen (15) days after sale, time expressly being of the essence, with interest at the rate of 7.50 percent per annum from date of sale to date of settlement. Provided, however, that if the holder of the secured promissory note is the successful bidder at the sale, no cash deposit shall be required, and part of or the entire indebtedness, including interest and costs, secured by the Deed of Trust, may be set off against the purchase price.

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## OBITUARY

# Ann Rodriguez, 66, President of Arts Council of Fairfax County, Dies

**A**nn Rodriguez, president and CEO of the Arts Council of Fairfax County and a longtime arts and civic leader in Northern Virginia, died Wednesday, Oct. 28, at home in Reston, after a fight with cancer. She was 66 and had lived in Reston for 34 years.

Rodriguez was a champion for arts initiatives across the county and, as the founder of her own company, was mentor to entrepreneurs seeking to accomplish what she had. "Ann was an avid advocate and a good friend to people in emerging businesses," said Marion Myers, president of Myers Public Relations in Reston. "She was an active mentor for many of us who started businesses. She always had time for a cup of coffee or a word of advice."

Rodriguez assumed leadership of the Arts Council in 2004. The council supports arts-related activities in Virginia's most populous county, through programs, grants and advocacy. Under her leadership, the Arts Council played a key role with the Fairfax County Arts Committee in developing the Comprehensive Plan Amendment for the Arts. In 2006 the Arts Council received an increase in the amount of \$500,000 from the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors to be re-granted to local artists and arts organizations through a competitive process. The Arts Council also produces the annual International Children's Festival at Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts.

Before joining the Arts Council, Rodriguez was CEO of a promotional advertising business in Reston that marketed promotional products to local and national companies. She founded the company, Corporate Products, in 1988 after working for Martha Weems, Ltd., a Vienna company in the same business. She sold Corporate Products in 2003 and worked for a year transitioning the company to the new owner, The E Group, Herndon.

**HER TIES TO RESTON** and her involvement with area business clients was a basis for Rodriguez to become part of a group of business leaders who formed the Reston Board of Commerce in the 1980s which went on to become the Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce. She served as chairman of the Chamber's board in 1995-96 and was closely involved in its activities for over a decade. She was deeply involved in other aspects of life in Reston where she was the former vice chairman of the Greater Reston Arts Center (GRACE) board of directors. She had been interim executive director of GRACE in 2002.

Rodriguez also was serving as a trustee of Reston Hospital for which she founded a health education television show called "Healthfocus." She was the host of that program, and for 10 years was the host of "Business Focus" a local Comcast Cable program produced by the Reston Chamber to showcase area businesses. In 2002, she received the "Best of Reston" award from Reston Interfaith and the Greater Reston Chamber for her community service.

"Ann was deeply passionate about Reston and all that made it special," said Tracey



**Ann Rodriguez**

White, vice president of community & government relations for Hospital Corporation of America's Capital Division, of which Reston Hospital is a part, and the person Rodriguez chose to be president of the Greater

Reston Chamber of Commerce in 1995 while she was serving as its board chair. "She fostered an appreciation of this community throughout the Greater Reston Chamber and wherever else she served. Everyone that worked with Ann in any capacity described her using the same words: elegance, professionalism, dignity and grace. She had an aura about her that was special and everyone loved working with her as a result."

In her early business career, Rodriguez was an on-air radio and television personality in Huntington and a television producer in Norfolk, Va. She was a former trustee of WETA, the Washington, D.C. region's public television station.

**AT THE TIME OF HER DEATH,** Rodriguez was serving as one of seven commissioners overseeing the Fairfax County Economic Development Authority (FCEDA) which promotes the county worldwide as a prime business location. Appointed to the commission in 2002, she was its secretary/treasurer. She also was serving as a director of the advocacy group Virginians for the Arts, the Cultural Alliance of Greater Washington and the Lorton Arts Foundation.

Rodriguez also was a 15-year volunteer with Parents, Families & Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG), an organization to which family members said she was passionately committed.

Rodriguez was born in Fort Wayne, Ind., and was raised in Huntington, W.Va., where her father was a mortgage loan officer. Family members say that her civic involvement and workload grew partly from the example of her mother who was widowed with four children at age 38, but maintained an active civic life as a volunteer. She graduated from Marshall University in Huntington. Rodriguez, who was divorced from Tomas Rodriguez of Woodstock, Va., is survived by a son, Paco, of Reston, by her sister Phyllis Madachy of Columbia, Md., and brother David Bauer, Washington, D.C.

At her request, there will be no funeral service. A private memorial will be at a time to be determined by the family. A public memorial, organized by the Arts Council of Fairfax County and by friends of Rodriguez, will take place Dec. 2, from 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m., in the Community Room of Reston Community Center's Hunters Woods facility. Rodriguez requested that in lieu of flowers, contributions to the Arts Council of Fairfax County would be appreciated. Contributions may be sent to the Arts Council of Fairfax County, 4022 Hummer Road, Annandale, VA 22003.

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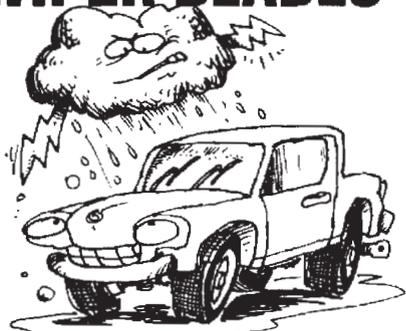
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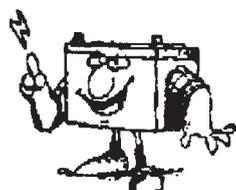


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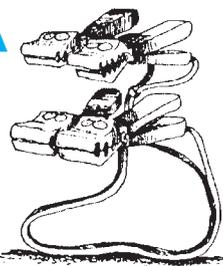


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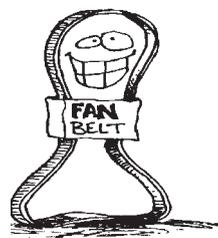
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