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Lilly Marshall, 3, enjoys
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60 Years for Multiple Shootings in Gang-Related Violence

Antonio Neftali Urrutia-Barrera, 20, of Reston, was sentenced to 720 months in prison, followed by a five-year term of supervised release, for his use of a firearm during and in relation to a crime of violence. Barrera had previously pled guilty on Jan. 5.

According to court documents, Antonio Urrutia Barrera, a.k.a. ADuende@ was a full member of

the transnational Hispanic street gang Mara Salvatrucha Thirteen (AMS-13@), and as a member of MS-13, the defendant abided by certain gang rules that included attacking rival gang members and supporting or backing up fellow gang members. During his active membership with MS-13, the defendant engaged in multiple acts of violence on behalf of the gang. First, on Sept. 17, 2008, in

Loudoun County, the defendant, while riding as a passenger in a vehicle with another MS-13 member, observed what he perceived to be rival gang members on the side of a suburban street. The defendant brandished a revolver and fired multiple shots out of the vehicle at the group of individuals. The defendant wounded three individuals, one of whom now remains paralyzed from the waist

down. On Oct. 6, 2008, the defendant was present at a second, violent MS-13 attack that took place in Reston. In this instance, the defendant, along with fellow MS-13 members Jose Aguilar Orantes and Dennis L. Gil Bernardez, approached two rival gang members in a suburban park during the middle of the day. The defendant and his two fellow gang members approached the two rivals and a

third, unaffiliated bystander, at which point Dennis Bernardez began to shoot at the two rival gang members and finally at the third individual. Two of the victims, including the unaffiliated bystander, were critically injured and transported to Inova Fairfax Hospital's trauma center, each suffering from multiple gunshot wounds. Both critically injured victims suffered permanent injuries.



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Battle of the Bridge Continues

By Mike DiCicco
THE CONNECTION

“Consider the impact of an elevated bridge coming right up this street,” said attorney Frank McDermott, to the county Planning Commission, as he showed a drawing of a broad road flanked by wide sidewalks and modern buildings, leading to a plaza. Pedestrians were pictured walking about with children and dogs. “It doesn’t work with a pedestrian-friendly, TOD (transit-oriented development) destination.”

The illustration was of the mixed-use development being proposed by the Center for Innovative Technology (CIT) for the area just north of the planned Metro stop near Route 28 on the Dulles Toll Road.

However, Tony Calabrese, representing Dulles World Center, another mixed-use development planned to neighbor the CIT right across the county line, had brought his own illustrations, showing just such a bridge traveling over the toll road and through the dense cluster of buildings that the CIT is proposing. “This would work and work quite well,” he said, adding that pedestrians, bikers and buses would be able to travel under the structure.

A number of concerns were raised at the public hearing on three proposals for developments north of the planned Route 28 Station, to be located just east of Loudoun County, at the Planning Commission’s meeting Thursday, March 18, although all speakers generally supported the concept of the developments. However, just as at last month’s meeting of Fairfax, Loudoun and Herndon officials to discuss the proposed construction on the county line, amounting to several million square feet of development on what is now primarily open land, the major sticking point at the hearing was the placement of a crossing over the Dulles Toll Road. A decision was deferred until this week.

Fairfax County staff has recommended 1,200 residential units and 1.9 million square feet of non-residential development on the Fairfax County side of the line, considerably less than what developers had proposed, and has said it could be built without a bridge over the toll road. However, the crossing is on the county’s Comprehensive Plan, although it is depicted in a location that staff has

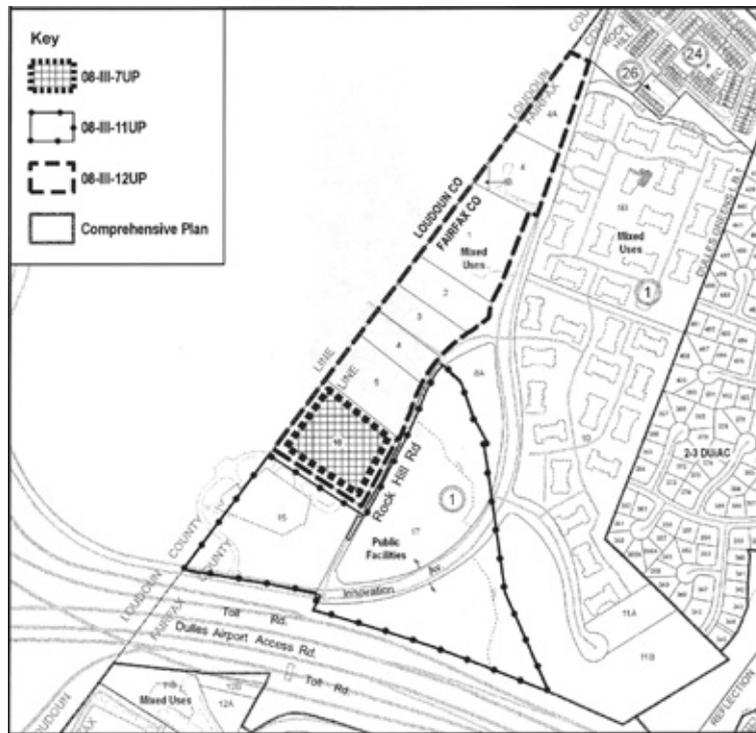


ILLUSTRATION COURTESY FAIRFAX COUNTY

Fairfax County is considering development on almost 50 acres of land along its county line.



ILLUSTRATION COURTESY DULLES WORLD CENTER

This drawing shows how the approximately 75-acre Dulles World Center, located primarily in Loudoun County, might realign Rock Hill Road and connect with the Center for Innovative Technology development.

said is no longer viable.

WORKING TOGETHER, Fairfax, Herndon and Loudoun staff came up with three alternatives for the bridge, all of which begin at Sunrise Valley Drive on the South side of the toll road. One option, which has been more or less ruled out, is to land the bridge on Innovation Avenue, just before it becomes Rock Hill Road. Another is to bring it down on Rock Hill Road near the entrance to the CIT building, but Fairfax staff has said this would disrupt the core of what is planned to be a transit-oriented develop-

ment, within less than a quarter-mile of the Metro stop, where development is to be densest. The remaining alternative is to bring the bridge down in Loudoun County and connect it with either a planned extension of Shaw Road or the planned extension of Davis Drive, but Loudoun officials have said this would disrupt their own development plans.

Loudoun County and the Dulles World Center developer have suggested that they might entertain the idea of landing the bridge on their side of the line if the Center

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Hugh Wang helps son Jason Wang, 3, make a spring themed pail of fun.

Youth Art Celebrated

The Council for the Arts of Herndon (CAH) hosted dozens of families at the Herndon Fortnightly Library on Saturday, March 20, where they learned about recycling, while making a free upcycled craft project.

This event is part of CAH’s Youth Art Program, which provides free art programs in ceramics, theater and crafts to area residents, families and

schools through the Fairfax County Libraries, school PTAs and other organizations. This program is made possible by a grant from the Virginia Commission for the Arts and from the Herndon Fortnightly Club.

For information about upcoming events or membership, visit www.herndonarts.org, call the Council office at 703-689-9535, or e-mail council4thearts@aol.com



Grace Wolf, president of the Board of Directors of the Council for the Arts of Herndon, and Claire Jones, 5, of Herndon, show off a finished craft project.

Involuntary Manslaughter Case Sent to Grand Jury

BY BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

Three young men were riding in the bed of a pickup truck, two lighting fireworks and tossing them into the air. When one firework, still lit, fell back into the truck bed, one man jumped out, struck his head on the road and died six days later.

Following an investigation, authorities charged Centreville's Kyle Guthrie, 19, with causing the death of Oak Hill's Dennis Ray Ross Jr., also 19. A Loudoun County judge last week sent the case against Guthrie to the grand jury, and in April he'll learn whether it'll continue on to trial.

THE TRAGEDY occurred July 19, 2009; both Guthrie and Ross were 2008 Westfield High grads, out for some fun with three other friends, including Brendan McDonald, 19, who was also igniting fireworks in the back of the 2001 GMC pickup.

Testifying on Thursday, March 11, during Guthrie's preliminary hearing in Loudoun County General District Court, McDonald said

Guthrie was on his right. Inside the cab was Billy Sampson and Johnny Pickett was at the wheel.

"We were all hanging out, driving around," said McDonald. "Kyle and I were seated with our backs to the cab and Dennis was seated with his back to the tailgate. Kyle and I were throwing fireworks out of the side of the truck bed; Dennis was just watching us."

McDonald said they ignited fireworks for about an hour and all was well. But shortly after midnight, one that Guthrie lit and threw landed back where they were sitting. Calling it a "jumping jack," McDonald said it "just spins and doesn't blow up. He said it landed between his outstretched legs, below his knees, a few feet away from Ross."

"I saw Dennis shift to the other side of the truck bed," said McDonald. "I was trying to put the firework out by stomping on it, but it went out by itself. After [that], I looked up, and Dennis wasn't in the truck bed. I didn't see him jump out; Kyle told me he did, and we turned around to get him."

They'd been traveling on Donegal Drive near Mandeville Drive in South Riding, and that's where they found Ross, face down on the road. "He was on the ground, breathing heavy," said

"Dennis was ... leaving for the Marine Corps, the next day."

— Dennis Ray Ross Sr., victim's father

McDonald. "There was a big lump and a cut on the back of his head, with blood coming out of it and out of his mouth. We called 911."

Ross's father, Dennis Ray Ross Sr., testified that he last saw his son when he'd left home, earlier that day, with Sampson. "Dennis was going to see friends before leaving for the Marine Corps, the next day," he said. "He'd spent the last two weeks in Marine Corps boot camp and was probably in the best shape of his life."

Crying on the witness stand, Ross Sr. said the next time he saw Dennis was at Inova Fairfax Hospital. "He was being rolled in to have brain surgery," said his father.

Dennis never regained consciousness and died on July 25.

Medical examiner Shane Chittenden also testified. He didn't go into details about the results of his autopsy on Ross Jr., but his report was entered into evidence. Also made part of the case were photos Loudoun Sheriff's Deputy Jamie Romba took at the scene.

Loudoun Fire Marshal's Investigator Brian Kennedy also responded that night and said "jumping jacks" or M-88s, as they're also called, are illegal fireworks. And both he and Deputy Richard Garris said a "strong odor of alcohol" was emanating from Guthrie's body.

LATER, at the Dulles police substation, Garris said Guthrie admitted lighting that firework and throwing it over the front of the cab while the truck was moving forward. "[Guthrie] said it went about 20 feet and fell back into the bed of the truck," said Garris. "He said Dennis overreacted and jumped out of the vehicle."

After the investigation was complete, in November, Guthrie was charged with involuntary manslaughter. In court last week, Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Stephen Sincavage defined it as "an accidental, unintended killing due to the criminal negligence of an individual whose actions were so gross, wanton and culpable as to show a callous disregard for human life."

He said Guthrie consumed alcohol underage and was throwing fireworks, which is illegal. "It was a lit object on fire," said Sincavage. "When you throw a firework in the direction you're traveling, it's feasible that it could fall back at you. Guthrie showed lack of good judgment due to his having consumed alcohol. Somebody should know somebody could get hurt."

The prosecutor then asked Judge Buta Biberaj to find probable cause that "Guthrie's actions caused Ross's death." But defense attorney Francis Minor said Ross was killed by a head trauma, "not by my client."

Minor said what happened did not rise to the level of involuntary

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Bridge Dispute Continues

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for Innovative Technology dedicates the right of way for Innovation Avenue to the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), as it is supposed to do under an earlier agreement with the state. This would allow VDOT to modify the road to accommodate Dulles World Center.

Herndon Mayor Steve DeBenedittis raised other concerns about the developments, saying all proposed access to them would be through Herndon and Loudoun and that road improvements would be a long time coming. Also, he said the town worried that the aggressive requirements the county was recommending for reducing vehicle trips would amount to granting a bonus to developers in the form of lower parking requirements at the expense of the town and local traffic. If the recommendations were adopted, he said, the Board of Supervisors would need to pressure Loudoun County to make sure the jurisdictions worked together to ensure adequate infrastructure.

"We're pleased with the direction, we just still have some concerns," DeBenedittis said. He said the project seemed to be getting pushed through the approval process before all the issues it raised had been resolved.

John Ulfelder, who chaired the special study task force of citizens that vetted the proposals and came up with a set of recommendations last year, said a number of Herndon residents had been members of the group, including two of the town's planning commissioners, and they had all worked to wrestle with the issue of transportation, passing their final recommendation almost unanimously. "It's a big challenge that requires a lot of additional roadwork and multi-modal methods of transportation," Ulfelder said. But

he added that he wasn't sure how much of that could be dictated by plan language and how much would have to wait for the rezoning process.

DRANESVILLE District Planning Commissioner Jay Donohue assured that the counties would work together to plan for infrastructure. "This area is not going to be developed county by county," he said. "We are going to have to have inter-jurisdictional cooperation."

"Generally, we're supporting the plan amendments per se," said attorney Michael Banzhaf, representing the owner of the Dulles Greene neighborhood that abuts the area under study. He said uncertainties still remained about road improvements and who would pay for them. "I hope zoning will resolve some of those questions," he said.

Robert Brown of the Reflection Homes Association, another neighbor of the CIT Center, was a member of the task force that made recommendations on the development proposals. But he said staff's suggested changes raised questions as to whether a proposed road connection between the new developments and the Elden Street corridor would encroach on his neighborhood's property. Also, he said traffic was already an issue at the Centreville Road entrance to the toll road, and he suggested that the plan should recommend that the interchange be improved.

Lou Mosurak of the Loudoun County Planning Department read a statement on behalf of the Loudoun Board of Supervisors saying the county's plans had never shown a bridge over the toll road, while Fairfax plans had long shown such a bridge contained entirely within Fairfax County. Until the realignment of Rock Hill Road was worked out, he said, the

idea of landing the bridge in Loudoun was out of the question.

McDermott, meanwhile, said the CIT did not believe the bridge was necessary but would support landing it in Loudoun, where it would serve as a parallel alternative to Route 28.

"Have you developed any alternative development plans that would be truly innovative, that would be above the rail station, that would straddle it?" asked Mount Vernon Planning Commissioner Earl Flanagan, noting that such stations, where roads could pass overhead, were common in Washington, D.C. and other areas.

"We don't have those air rights, so it's not something we can propose," McDermott said.

Calabrese said the commission could not plan for so much development without finalizing such an important traffic connection. "You should not proceed until we figure out that alignment," he said.

Rick Stout, a landowner who had submitted one of the Fairfax development proposals in question, agreed, saying the two jurisdictions were becoming "Balkanized," while he owned property that spanned both counties. "We've obviously got a situation where transportation issues have really come up late in the process," Stout said. "I want to get better planning, not approval today."

Ulfelder, however, said he didn't think his task force's recommendation would preclude flexibility in future transportation planning, noting that it heavily emphasized inter-jurisdictional cooperation to create an appropriate transportation grid. "We could wait for more studies and do a variety of other things, but I think there would just be more questions," he said.

The Planning Commission voted to defer the decision to this Thursday, March 25.

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Honors included multiple awards for business and financial writing, education writing, investigative reporting, election coverage, breaking news, public safety writing, editorial writing, photography, design, sports, special sections.

Political and education reporter Julia O'Donoghue won first place for her education writing, in particular three stories which appeared in the Connection's new special section,

A-plus. O'Donoghue also won multiple awards for business and financial writing and investigative reporting.

Reporter Michael Lee Pope won 11 awards in all, including first place for his breaking news coverage of the arrest of Alexandria's police chief for DUI. Pope also won awards for investigative reporting, election coverage, business and financial writing, education writing, government writing, feature writing and in-depth obituaries.

Photographer Louise Krafft won nine awards, including pictorial photo, picture story/essay, news photo and for her contributions to two special sections, HomeLifeStyle and A-Plus

Education, Learning, Fun.

Reporter Mike DiCicco won four awards, including first place for his coverage of a burglary spree that targeted local South Asians' gold jewelry. DiCicco also won for feature writing and education writing.

Mary Kimm won second place for editorial writing for a group of five editorials about education in Northern Virginia.

The Connection's design team also won awards, two for special sections HomeLifeStyle and A-Plus Education, Learning, Fun.

The Alexandria Gazette Packet also won second place in general makeup, a measure of overall excellence.



Winners

The Connection award winners include Mike DiCicco, Mary Kimm, Louise Krafft, Julia Sheehan O'Donoghue and Michael Lee Pope.

Here is a partial listing of stories, photos, special sections and more that won awards in the Virginia Press Association news contests. For a full listing, see www.ConnectionNewspapers.com, or www.vpa.net.

Julia Sheehan O'Donoghue, first place, Education writing. Public School Art Programs, private school facilities and what community college has to offer. Stories written for our A-plus, Education, Learning, Fun section. *Judges' comments:* Good range of sources, including students, in stories, sidebars on transfer data and private school timetables provide good information outside of narrative. Strong story openings focus on individuals. Springfield Connection

Michael Lee Pope, first place, Breaking news writing Police Chief Busted for DUI. *Judges' comments:* "Amazing coverage, lots of voices and comment." Alexandria Gazette Packet

Michael Lee Pope, first place, Feature series or continuing story, Missing Children, Alexandria Gazette Packet

Michael Lee Pope, first place, Personal service writing. Three obituaries, an officer, a gentleman and a savior. *Judges' Comments:* Michael offers a new spin on the obituary by offering the reader an in-depth profile of the deceased. He goes to great lengths to provide an accurate portrayal of his subject, including interviewing family far and wide as well as former colleagues. His work amounts to a tremendous reader service. His writing is exemplary, and he uses skillful techniques to share a complete picture of the person. Alexandria Gazette Packet

Michael Lee Pope, first place, Business and financial writing. *Judges' Comments:* "What a joy to find heavy subjects - unemployment

benefits, obligation bonds, stimulus money - explained in such a way that reader understands the issue. Such clarity, background, I was enticed to read it all." Arlington Connection

Louise Krafft, first place, Pictorial photo, May Dance Recital, Alexandria Gazette Packet

Louise Krafft first place Pictorial photo, Arlington Connection

Robbie Hammer, first place, General news photo, Clinton on the campaign trail, Oak Hill/Herndon Connection

Mike DiCicco, first place, General news writing, Burglary Spree Targets South Asians' Gold Jewelry *Judges' Comments:* "Well written, with strong narratives in every report. Good balance of sources, and well-rounded examination of a public safety issue." Oak Hill/Herndon Connection

Steven Mauren, Geovani Flores, Laurence

Foong, Louise Krafft, Jean Card, Michael Lee

Pope, second place, General makeup. *Judges' Comments:* "Elegant typography; clean, consistent pages. Well organized & easy to use." Alexandria Gazette Packet

Michael Lee Pope, second place, Education writing, Alexandria Gazette Packet

Michael Lee Pope second place General news writing, Election 2009. *Judges' Comments:* "This reporter's coverage of an ongoing news event - the pending elections - kept readers well informed of the issues and circumstances that affected them, and the nuances of the various local races. Leads are strong and stories show a depth of reporting. Great job of preparing the community for critical election decisions." Alexandria Gazette

Packet

Michael Lee Pope second place Feature series or continuing story, Quackgate, Mount Vernon Gazette

Julia Sheehan O'Donoghue second place In-depth or investigative reporting, local discussion of race and politics. *Judges' Comments:* "Good choice of timely enterprise topic with statistical presentations to show underlying patterns. Story had varied viewpoints and multiple sources for quotes - nice to quote to tie up story at end." Mount Vernon Gazette

Mary Kimm second place Editorial writing, Five editorials about education. *Judges' Comments:* "Crisp writing, well thought through."

Laurence Foong, Louise Krafft, Mary Kimm, Julia O'Donoghue, second place, Specialty pages or sections, A-Plus, Education, Learning, Fun. *Judges' Comments:* "Solid reporting, good writing and a variety of subjects offer readers insights into education issues in their community that any parent would appreciate." McLean Connection

Julia Sheehan O'Donoghue, second place, Business and financial writing, Impact of economic downturn and construction on local business. *Judges' Comments:* "Very comprehensive report on what is going on, especially Tyson Corner story. Well written, well organized. I don't live in McLean but this gave me a good overall picture of the business climate."

Mike DiCicco, second place, Feature writing portfolio, *Judges' Comments:* "Wonderful topics of human interest - making them even better are stories well told. The Groveses seemed like old friends by the article's end - and I was sure I could smell the leather in their

shop." Great Falls Connection.

Ken Moore, Bonnie Hobbs second place Public safety writing. Stories of embezzlement, murder, rampage, and more. *Judges Comments:* "We get a pretty good idea of how the victims of Jeffrey Koger have been impacted by his actions. Their comments give the readers eerie details of what it's like to be shot and survive as well as what difficulties they faced in the aftermath. The Nathan Jones story also reinforces the mental [health] aspects. The wide-eyed Koger mug shot is chilling." Fairfax Connection.

Jason Mackey, second place, Sports writing portfolio *Judges' Comments:* "Any reporter can go to an event and file a story. The good ones have a knack for spotting not-so-obvious stories and developing them. That's what Mackey did with his smartly-reported article on the lengths - literally - families will go to have a child seen by college recruiters. That story was bolstered by a nice feature that tells the story behind a scholarship and an in-depth look at an office manager who, at age 47, still gets in the ring as a regional wrestler." Centre View.

Louise Krafft, second place, Pictorial photo, Arlington connection

Michael Lee Pope, second place, Government writing, Arlington Connection

Michael Lee Pope, third place, Government writing, Perks Pitfalls and Plastic, Alexandria Gazette Packet

Michael Lee Pope, third place, In-depth or investigative reporting, City Misses Potential Threat, *Judges' Comments:* "Clearly written story

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FAITH

Let Freedom Ring!

BY RABBI LEIBEL FAJNLAND
CHABAD OF RESTON-HERNDON

So it's Passover again (March 29-April 6). Another Seder night where we meet up with distant relatives we almost forgot about, to tell a story that we aren't allowed to forget about. Is it really necessary more than

MEANING OF PASSOVER

3,000 years on to still commemorate our ancestors' freedom from slavery in Egypt? Can't we move on to more pressing and contemporary issues?

The truth is that the Seder is not just a memorial to events of the distant past, it is a dynamic process of freedom from the challenges of the present.

We are slaves. Slaves to our own inhibitions, fears, habits, cynicism and prejudices. These self-appointed pharaohs are layers of ego that prevent us from expressing our true inner self, from reaching our spiritual potential. Our souls are incarcerated in selfishness, laziness and indifference.

Pesach means "Passover." It is the season of liberation, when we pass over all these obstacles to in-



Rabbi Leibel Fajnland

ner freedom. On Pesach, we give our souls a chance to be expressed.

Reread the Haggada. Every time it says "Egypt" read "limitations." Replace the word "Pharaoh" with "Ego." And read it in the present tense:

"We were slaves to Pharaoh in Egypt" =

"We are slaves to our egos, stuck in our limitations."

How do we free ourselves? By eating Matza. After eating Matza, the Israelites were able to run out of Egypt and follow G-d into the

First Seder Night

First Seder Night, Monday, March 29, at 7:30 p.m. in the Chabad Aleph Center 718 Lynn St., Herndon. Couvert: \$36 per person; \$18 children 4-12. \$180 Evening Sponsorship.

For more information call 703-476-1829 e-mail rabbi@chabadrh.org. or visit www.chabadrh.org.

desert. Because Matza represents the suspension of ego. Unlike bread, which has body and taste, Matza is flat and tasteless - the bread of surrender.

Usually, we are scared to suspend our egos, because we think that we will lose ourselves. On Pesach, we eat the Matza, we suspend our egos and find ourselves — our true selves.

That soul is the innocent child within us waiting to be free. This Pesach, let's allow that child to sing:

Ma Nishtana Halayla Hazeh ... Why is this night different!

This year, join friends and family at the Chabad Community Pass-

over Seder. Relive the exodus, discover the eternal meaning of the Haggadah, and enjoy a community Seder complete with hand-baked Matzah, Wine, and a wonderful dinner spiced with songs and insights.

Floris United Methodist Church, 13600 Frying Pan Road in Herndon, will have a **Preschool Easter Festival and Egg Hunt** from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. on Saturday, April 3. Activities include crafts, games, face painting and an Easter egg hunt. All are welcome.

Weekly worship services are at 8 a.m., 9:15 a.m., 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Sundays, with a Latino service 7 p.m. on Saturdays. The church offers a variety of opportunities to worship, grow, and serve. 703-793-0026 or www.florisumc.org.

The Guyasamaja Buddhist Center will host Glenn Mullin, an author, poet, translator, and teacher of Tibetan Buddhism. On Sunday, April 11, 1-5 p.m. Mullin will teach two classes open to all-from beginners in Buddhist practice to advanced practitioners. Location: The Unitarian/Universalist Church, 1625 Wiehle Ave., Reston VA 20190. Suggested donation: one class \$10; both \$15.

Knitters needed the first and third Wednesdays of the month, at 7 p.m., at **St. Timothy's Episcopal Church**, 432 Van Buren St., Herndon. The church's Shawl Ministry is offering free knitting instruction while providing shawls, blankets and other knitted items for people in need. No cost and yarn can be provided. E-mail shawl@saint-timothys.org or visit the Pastoral Care page at www.saint-timothys.org.

Nondenominational **Christian businessmen** meet for prayer, Biblical discussion and fellowship 7 p.m. Fridays at Anita's, 1051 Elden St., Herndon and 12 p.m. Thursdays at 555 Grove St., Suite 200, Herndon. Call 703-795-1257.



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FAITH NOTES

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

The United Christian Parish will celebrate Holy Week with two choirs and a trumpet soloist on Palm Sunday, March 28, at 8:30 and 11 a.m. services at 11508 North Shore Drive, Reston.

♦**Maundy Thursday, April 1.** A light meal to mark the Last Supper at 6 p.m., followed foot washing and communion.

♦**Sunday, April 4.** 6:30 a.m. Easter sunrise service and 8:30 and 11 a.m. worship services.

The United Christian Parish is an ecumenical church combining the United Methodist Church, Presbyterian Church (USA), United Church of Christ and Christian Church (Disciples of Christ.) Contact 703-3065 or www.unitedchristianparish.org.

All are invited to Lenten Bible study at **Dranesville Church of the Brethren**, 11500 Leesburg Pike in Herndon, 7 p.m. March 10-31. Greg Kozak will lead a journey to discover how Jesus fulfills Old Testament prophecy. Other church events include:

♦**Children's activity.** 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Saturday, March 27 in the Fellowship Hall.

♦**Maundy Thursday Love Feast.** 7 p.m. Thursday, April 1 in the Fellowship Hall.

♦**Good Friday Service.** 1:15 p.m. Friday, April 2 in the Sanctuary.

♦**Easter Sunday.** Sunday, April 4. Breakfast at 9 a.m., Sunday school at 9 a.m. and Easter Service at 9:45 a.m.

Contact 703-430-7872 or www.dranesvillebrethren.org.

Washington Plaza Baptist Church, 1615 Washington Plaza in Reston, invites the community to Lenten services. www.WashingtonPlazaChurch.com or 703-471-5225

♦**Maundy Thursday.** 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 1. Experience Christ's last sorrowful night through narration and music.

♦**Good Friday.** 12 p.m. on Friday, April 2. The story of Christ's last hours through scripture and prayer.

♦**Easter Sunday.** 11 a.m. on Sunday, April 4. When the desert in the sanctuary blooms and we celebrate the resurrection of Christ Jesus.

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 432 Van Buren St. in Herndon, welcomes all to Holy Week and Easter services. 703-437-3790 or website at www.saint-timothys.org.

♦**Palm Sunday.** Services at 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. March 28. All services will begin in the Parish Hall, where palm branches will be blessed. All three services include a dramatic reading of the Passion Gospel.

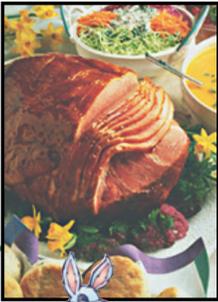
♦**Weekly Healing and Holy Eucharist.** 12:15 p.m. on Wednesday, March 31.

♦**Maundy Thursday Holy Eucharist.** 7:30 p.m. April 1.

♦**Good Friday.** April 2. Stations of the Cross service at 12:15 p.m. and a Passion Gospel and solemn prayer service at 7:30 p.m.

♦**Easter Sunday.** April 4. Resurrection/Easter Holy Eucharist services at 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

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THURSDAY/MARCH 25

Lupus Support Group. 12 p.m. at Reston Hospital Center, The West Wing, 1850 Town Center Parkway, Reston. tinyurl.com/lupusgrps or 1-888-349-1167.

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.

Big Apple Circus. 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. at the Dulles Town Center, 21100 Dulles Town Circle, Sterling. Tickets \$15-\$52 at 888-541-3750 or bigapplecircus.org.

FRIDAY/MARCH 26

Big Apple Circus. 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. at the Dulles Town Center, 21100 Dulles Town Circle, Sterling. Tickets \$15-\$52 at 888-541-3750 or bigapplecircus.org.

I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change. 8 p.m. at Reston Community Center CenterStage, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. Tickets \$18-\$21. 703-476-4500.

The Elden Street Players in 'Metamorphoses.' 8 p.m. at the Industrial Strength Theatre, 269 Sunset Park Drive, Herndon. A modern adaptation of Ovid's Roman mythological stories. Mature themes and brief male nudity. Patrons in the front row may be splashed with water during the show; towels provided. \$19, \$16 seniors and students. Reserve at 703-481-5930. www.eldenstreetplayers.org.

SATURDAY/MARCH 27

Squirreling Around on a Spring Day. 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Sully Historic Site, 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly. In the early 1800s the Lee's had a pet white squirrel. Children can find squirrels through the house, and make a white squirrel to take home. Reservations required. \$5. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/sully.

Fairfax County Park Authority Watershed Cleanup. 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Pick up everything from plastic bottles and bags to discarded mattresses, rusting auto parts, old appliances, rubber tires and other debris illegally dumped in local waterways. Participants are encouraged to wear boots and old clothes. Bring gloves. Trash bags will be provided. Contact www.fergusonfoundation.org/ or call the parks directly.

***Frying Pan Farm Park,** 2709 West Ox Road, Herndon. 703-437-9101.

***Riverbend Park and Nature Center,** 8700 Potomac Hills St., Great Falls. 703-759-9018.

***Sully Historic Site,** 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly. 703-437-1794.

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Weed Warriors Project. 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at Bright Pond. Help eradicate aggressive vines. Contact Ha Brock, 703-435-7986 or 703-999-1219.

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Katharine Schellman and Laura Fontaine in The Elden Street Players' 'Metamorphoses,' Friday and Saturday, March 26-27, 8 p.m. and Sunday, March 28, at 3 p.m. the Industrial Strength Theatre, 269 Sunset Park Drive, Herndon.

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The Best of Broadway Show. 7:30 p.m. at the Café Montmarre, 1625 Washington Plaza North, Lake Anne, Reston. Live vocals and entertainment, music from the 1930s-1980s. Dancing to Latin, ballroom, swing, disco. No cover charge. 703-904-8080.

SUNDAY/MARCH 28

Reston Community Orchestra Concert. 4 p.m. at Reston Community Center, Hunters Woods, Reston. Pianist Carol Ann Barry and clarinetist Arnold Saslowsky and music by Chopin, Rubenstein, Debussy and more. Free, donations accepted. www.restoncommunityorchestra.org.

The Elden Street Players in 'Metamorphoses.' 3 p.m. at the Industrial Strength Theatre, 269 Sunset Park Drive, Herndon. A modern adaptation of Ovid's Roman mythological stories. Mature themes and brief male nudity. Patrons in the front row may be splashed with water during the show; towels provided. \$19, \$16 seniors and students. Reserve at 703-481-5930. www.eldenstreetplayers.org.

MONDAY/MARCH 29

Auditions for Wit, at The Industrial Strength Theatre, 269 Sunset Park Drive, Herndon. Play runs June 4-26. 703-481-5930.

Scout Day. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at Sully Historic Site, 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly. Outdoor stations will fill the grounds as Scouts earn badges or achieve electives for Tiger, Bear, Wolf and Boy Scouts, Daisies, Brownies, Juniors and Cadets. Reservations required. \$15, Sully patch available for \$4. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/sully.

ESL Beginners. 11 a.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. ESL conversation group for adults. 703-689-2700.

Kids' Science. 3 p.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Explore scientific topics through activities. Age 5-7. 703-689-2700.

TUESDAY/MARCH 30

ESL Advanced. 11 a.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. ESL conversation group for adults. 703-689-2700.

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SATURDAY/APRIL 3

Herndon Rotary Club Tango Gala Fundraiser. At the Reston Center Hyatt, Reston, 1800 Presidents St., Reston. Live music by an orchestra from Argentina, floor show by professional tango dancers, dinner and dancing. \$100 per person; black tie optional. Proceeds benefit local charities supported by Herndon Rotary Club. Contact Rudy Tassara, 703-478-2800. www.herndonrotary-tango.com.

Northern Virginia Country Western Dance Association. At Luther Jackson Middle School, 3020 Gallows

Road, Falls Church. Line dance lessons at 7:30 p.m., couples specialty dance at 8 p.m. Open dancing 8:30-11 p.m. Members \$10, non-members \$12. Under age 18 \$5, PSDC members \$10. www.nvcwda.org or 703-860-4941.

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THURSDAY/MARCH 25

Generation Next: Reston Leadership Development. 7 p.m. Reston Community Center at Hunters Woods, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. An active dialog session on getting involved in leading the community. Free. RCCContact@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Lupus Support Group. 12 p.m. at Reston Hospital Center, The West Wing, 1850 Town Center Parkway, Reston. lh@ascendcomm.com or

www.lupusgw.org.
Psychology and the Immune System. 7 p.m. at Sunset Hills Montessori, 11180 Ridge Heights Road, Reston. With Dr. Lydia Remoshok, Prof Medicine-U-MD. Reservations required. \$30. cheznousreston@gmail.com.
Altum Career Fair. 3-6 p.m. at 12100 Sunset Hills Road, Suite 101, Reston. Matt.mero@altum.com or www.altum.com/Company/Careers.

SATURDAY/MARCH 27

Colvin Run Watershed Stream Restoration and Improvement Meeting. 9:30 a.m. at Lake Anne Elementary School, 11510 North

Shore Drive, Reston. Wetland Studies and Solutions, Inc. will be presenting information about the history and purpose of the stream restoration project and the plans for this watershed. Time will be provided for questions and answers. 703-435-6560 or reston.wetlandstudies.com.

MONDAY/MARCH 29

Weekly classes in Chen tai chi. Beginners class every Monday, 6:30 p.m. at the Jow Ga Shaolin Institute, 600-D Carlisle Drive, Herndon. First class free. All levels and ages welcome. truetaiichi.com or 703-801-0064.

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SCHOOL NOTES

Miranda Smith of Herndon has been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Roger Williams University of Bristol, R.I.

Karen Nirschl of Herndon has been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Longwood University of Farmville, Va. Nirschl is a 2005 graduate of Bishop O'Connell High School and a DI lacrosse player at Longwood.

Kathleen A. Fallon of Herndon has been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Colby College in Waterville, Maine. Fallon is a senior majoring in music, and the daughter of Michael and Christine Fallon of Herndon. She is a graduate of the Madeira School.

Matthew Pirocchi of Herndon has been named to fall 2009 president's list at University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg. Pirocchi is a sophomore.

Four residents of Oak Hill have been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at the University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg. They are **Justin Anderson, Emily Meyer, Lauren Redding** and **Joseph Winter**.

The following Herndon residents have been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at the University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg: **Nora Allen, Christopher Blough, Daniel Garcia, Allison Godart, Victoria Hudspeth, Nicholas Jacobs, Karleen Kovalcik,**

Marium Mujahid, Ellen Ozarka, Jae Park, Diana Weigel and **Peter Wingrove**.

The following Herndon residents have been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Virginia Tech at Blacksburg: **William L. Baltazar, Anna C. Bayer, Mccauley E. Benson, Jessica L. Banton, Joseph R. Berlin, Michelle M. Bisbee, Kelsey S. Brandt, Molly M. Burns, Tyler A. Butler, Stewart G. Butterfield, Elizabeth L. Chin, Maximilian J. Chmielinski, Robin K. Clarke, Adam C. Coffman, Jessica S. Cohen, Alexander S. Darwiche, Katherine C. Davison, Douglas W. Decarme, Parker L. Donner, Lindsey M. Dragoi, Kristen A. Dyer, Anne M. Eady, Morgan K. Findley, Davinder S. Garcha** and **Mary C. Hawes**.

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Matthew T. Theis, Michelle L. Tran and **Ana I. Vicinanza**.

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The following Herndon residents have been named to the fall 2009 dean's list at Virginia Tech at Blacksburg: **Phillip J. Marlow, Jamie S. Martyn, Parastou S. Modjarrad, Shayna M. Mooney, Sydney M. Morgan, Mark E. Nachazel, Alexander P. Nissen, Elise C. Panlilio, Reed M. Powles, Ryan L. Powles, Daciya G. Quenah, Chase M. Rearden, Liliane P. Sampson, Hayley E. Saunders, Alan P. Scherger, Kevin C. Schmid, Hubert Y. Shang, Boris M. Shkolnikov, Steven M. Silton, Jeffrey E. Smith, Darcie M. Teper, Bonnie M. Terry, Siddharth Venkat, Bryant T. Weiskopf, Emily M. Wilson** and **Stephanie Woo**.

Greetings from Antarctica



Photo by Anissa Frantz

Juanita Constible views students' interactive books on Antarctica.

Scientist shares experience with Coates Elementary students.

By Lauren Williams

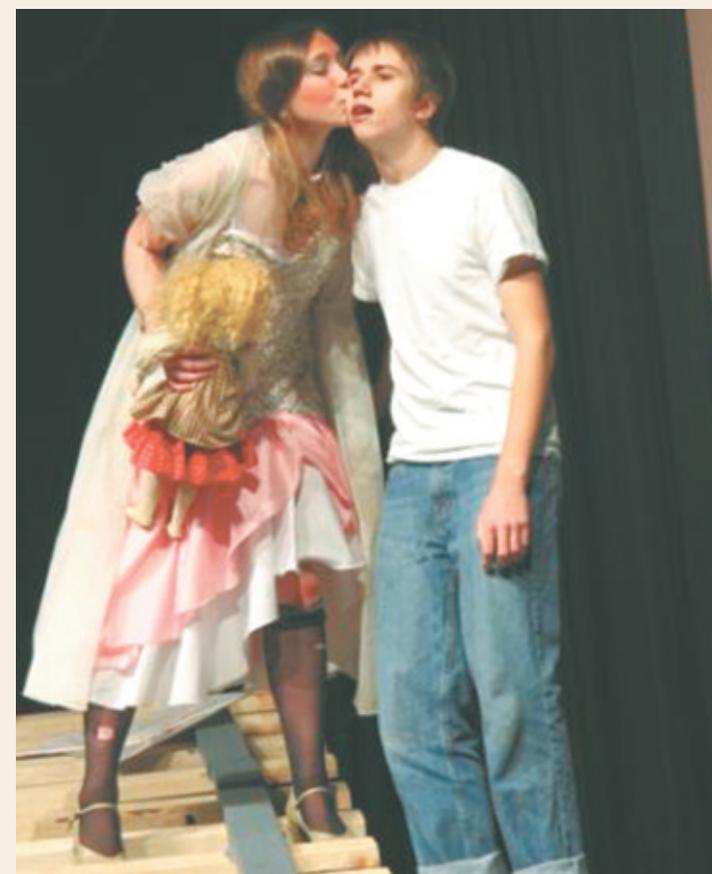
“Good Morning, Coates Stars. I bring greetings from Antarctica.” Since December, this has been the opening refrain most mornings at Coates Elementary School in Herndon. The students have just completed a long-distance learning experience with a National Science Foundation funded biologist, Juanita Constible, while she conducted research in Antarctica. Constible’s work is on the Belgica antarctica, a small wingless fly found only on Antarctica.

Constible has been sharing her experience with Coates through an online classroom. She has answered students’ questions in her blogs, through slide shows and even short movies. Constible’s blog and shows were shared through the morning announcements, which are presented through an internal video feed at Coates. The students’ response has been overwhelming as they discuss what they learned and ask questions

of Constible to learn more, creating a school-wide community of learners.

The lessons on Antarctica have been mediated primarily through art, providing an incredible chance for students to explore Antarctica through alternative media. Coates teachers Jaime Faure and Anissa Frantz have ignited students’ curiosity and given them the means to integrate the science they have learned creatively.

The Antarctica experience culminated last Thursday, March 18, during Antarctica Night. Constible visited the school to talk about her experiences and explain how such long distance learning opportunities in science are so important for our students. Afterwards, children introduced their parents to the interactive exhibits they had helped create: school-wide art projects on Antarctica intermixed with scientific facts about this southern-most continent.



District Recognition

Chris George and Chelsea Robinson in “This Property Is Condemned” by Tennessee Williams, produced by Herndon High School’s Theatre Department for VHSL Concorde District One-Act Play Festival. Chelsea Robinson won the Best Female Actor Award for Concorde District, and the play was runner-up, ranking fourth in the Regional VHSL One-Act Festival last month.



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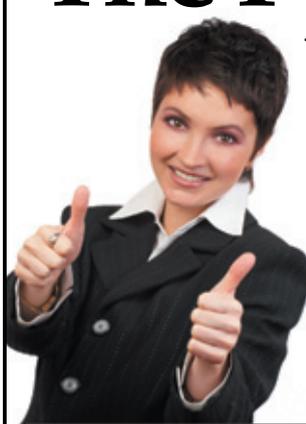
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SPORTS

More Seasoned Herndon Soccer Team Ready To Contend

Coach Lee's boys are talented and hungry to win this spring.

BY RICH SANDERS
THE CONNECTION

New Herndon High boys' soccer coach Stephen Lee is optimistic that the Hornets can emerge as a top contender in the tough Concorde District this spring.

"We have very high expectations and have set a goal to be in the district [tournament] finals," said Lee, who was head coach of the Herndon JV boys' team last year. "Watching this group play [early on] I think we have the talent to do that. I think we have the ability to do very well this year."

Two years ago under former head coach Sean Lanigan, Herndon experienced a breakthrough 15-2 season and captured the district championship. Then last year, a much younger, less experienced Hornets' squad came back to earth. Herndon, under Lanigan, was a respectable 6-6-1 overall and finished a solid third place in the district standings. But the season ended in disappointment with a first-round district tournament loss, which prevented the team from qualifying for the regional playoffs.

This year's team, under new varsity coach Lee, has numerous returning players back from last year and has good talent across the board. The Hornets could well be on their way to a big season.

Herndon won both of its pre-season games — an 8-1 win over Falls Church on March 5 and a 3-0 victory over Lee High (Springfield) on March 10 — before tying non-region opponent George Mason High School, 2-2, in its season opener on March 16 in Falls Church. The Hornets fought back from a 2-0 second half deficit in that contest, getting goals from sophomore midfielders Dominic Gallelli and Bryant Fernandez to tie the Mustangs.

Herndon was scheduled to host cross-town rival South Lakes on Friday, March 19. However, as a

result of poor field conditions, the game was postponed and rescheduled for Wednesday, March 24 of this week.

The South Lakes game is set to be the middle game of a busy week for the Hornets, who were scheduled to host district foe Chantilly a day earlier on Tuesday and will wrap the week up with a non-district affair at South County High on Thursday.

Following the South County game, Herndon will spend spring break week (March 29 through April 2) practicing and honing its skills in preparation for road games at Westfield (April 6) and West Potomac (April 8) the follow-

ing week. "We want to spend [spring break] kind of jelling as a group," said Lee.

"I think we have the ability to do very well this year."

—Coach Stephen Lee

ing week.

Lee said the early season has gone well in his first season at the helm of the Hornets' varsity.

"We won our preseason games and played as well as can be expected," he said.

ONE OF HERNDON'S

most exciting players this spring will be sophomore striker Emmanuel Korvah, who is coming off a freshmen season in which he led the Hornets in scoring while earning All-District honors. Unfortunately, Korvah broke an ankle two months ago and has not yet been on the field for Herndon. He is expected to begin training in a couple of weeks and hopefully be back in action by mid-April, according to Lee.

Korvah, when he returns back and healthy, will give the Hornets a huge lift.

"He's an all-around [outstanding] striker and very strong on the ball," said Lee, of Korvah's game. "He has a great pace and can get the ball behind [the defense] and get in and score goals. He's a big, dangerous player. It will be great to get him back."

Another player who will play a

vital role to the team's hopes is senior captain and goalie Alex Stopa, the returning starter at the position who recently committed to play the sport at the University of Louisville next school year.

"He's extremely agile and goes above and beyond to make saves you don't expect him to make," said Lee, of Stopa's steady and oftentimes spectacular play in the net. "He brings a calmness to the backline and is always in control."

Perhaps Herndon's top defensive player is senior Emile Doak, who after playing as a sophomore for Herndon two years ago, did not play for the Hornets last year as a junior. Instead, he focused all of his soccer time playing for the D.C. United Academy team. But this season, being a senior, he made the decision to leave the Academy team and play for the Hornets.

"He decided he wanted to make high school soccer his priority this year," said Lee. "He gives us a strong platform to build our defense upon."

Other Herndon players to keep an eye on this spring include sophomore Patrick McLaughlin at center midfield and freshmen Roman Gall at forward.

McLaughlin is coming off a strong freshmen year.

"He's another year older and a little bigger," said Lee. "He's physically able to handle the varsity game."

Gall is an outstanding freshman talent and could be a vital part of the program for the next several seasons. He scored three goals in the practice game win over Falls Church.

"He's a terrific player with great feet," said Lee. "He's physically small but a fantastic player."

Lee said missing out on the regional playoffs was quite a downer for the club last year. The Hornets are determined to make big waves in the district this season and to give it their best shot at regionals.

"Last year we missed regionals," he said. "It's been a goal of ours to have a much more positive season."

Look for Herndon soccer to carry that out this spring.

"It's been a goal of ours to have a much more positive season."

—Coach Stephen Lee



PHOTO COURTESY OF HERNDON OPTIMIST

The Spurs won the Herndon Optimist third-grade boys' basketball championship game against the Bullets 22 to 17. The Spurs, who reached the league finals with a dramatic, five-overtime semifinals victory, finished 6-2 for the season. Pictured, from left, are Chris Logan, Julian Bryant, William Zhang, Aidan Robinson, Justin Blevins, Steve Schoenefeldt, Ian Guevara and coach Richard Burger.

The pre-season Northern Region baseball rankings, as voted on by the coaches, are as follows: 1. McLean; 2. Lake Braddock; 3. West Springfield; 4. Westfield; 5. Centreville; 6. Robinson; 7. Madison; 8. Stone Bridge; 9. Woodson; 10. T.C. Williams and South County (tied). Others teams receiving votes: Oakton, Marshall, Chantilly, Yorktown and Washington-Lee.

In Liberty District girls' lacrosse action in Vienna on Thursday, March 18, host Madison edged Langley, 12-11. This week, Langley was scheduled to play road games at Marshall on Monday, March 22, and West Springfield, on Wednesday, March 24. The Warhawks do not play again until Wednesday, April 7 when they travel to Mount Vernon.

The Cardinal Girls Lacrosse league offers a year round program for girls from the fifth through eighth grades. Northern Virginia girls from areas including Centreville, Chantilly and Leesburg, are encouraged to try out. The organization will likely fill two teams per age group. Cardinals Girls Lacrosse, in its fourth year, is a non-profit, travel lacrosse organization. All the league money goes to uniforms, coaches and fields. The senior coach is the women's coach at Georgetown University, while the junior coaches are players or alumni from Catholic University, James Madison University, Virginia Tech or the University of Virginia. Practices are at Our Lady of Good Counsel School in Vienna. The league Web site is: www.cardinalgirlslacrosseclub.com.

NoVa West Lacrosse is currently registering youngsters for its summer select teams which include U11, U13, U15 and three levels of high school play. For more information about the teams, visit novawestlax.com/Team/index.asp. To register for a tryout visit novawestlax.com/register. NoVa West is also accepting team registrations for the fourth annual NoVa West Shootout at novawestlax.com/novacup.

SPORTS ROUNDUPS

five steals, and four rebounds. Senior teammate and co-captain Therese Franco also had a great game with 11 points, six rebounds, four steals, and two assists.

Also for Oakcrest, juniors Alessandra Christiani and Elise McNall were big contributors with five points each and Elise grabbed 10 rebounds. Senior Tori Jensen had four points and eight rebounds.

Oakcrest finished first place in the South Division regular season standings with a record of 14-2. Overall, the team was 15-6.

Oakcrest School Girls' Basketball Reaches Finals at AU

The Oakcrest School (McLean) varsity girls' basketball team, on Saturday, Feb. 20, met Covenant Life School in the Potomac Valley Athletic Conference (PVAC) tournament finals. The title game, which was won by Covenant Life, 49-46, took place in the Bender Arena at American University.

Oakcrest trailed by 28-20 at halftime before storming back in the second half and getting within one point. But in the end, Covenant Life held on for the hard-fought victory.

Oakcrest senior co-captain Eileen Kuzma led all scorers with 21 points,

REAL ESTATE

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P. Wesley Foster, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer of The Long & Foster® Companies, announced that Barry S. Redler has been selected to serve as chief marketing officer, a newly created position within the organization. Redler is an experienced marketing leader having worked with both Fortune 10 and privately held corporations. Prior to joining The Long & Foster Companies, he oversaw marketing and sales as a vice president for the Stanley Martin Companies, a privately held regional homebuilder. Redler also worked for The Ford Motor Company for over 20 years in various senior level marketing and sales positions. Redler resides in Northern Virginia with his wife and two children.

Nikki Ryan of Keller Williams Realty in Reston has earned the "Certified Distressed Property Expert" designation, having completed extensive training in foreclosure avoidance and short sales. Realtors with the designation have can offer the homeowner better alternatives to foreclosure, which virtually destroys the credit rating.

Reston Town Center Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage sales associate **Brent DeRobertis** was awarded the 2008 Seniors Real Estate Specialist (SRES) Distinguished Service Award. The SRES Council recognized him for being a driving force for change, and for his efforts to better serve the demands of the senior market. The SRES Designation program trains realtors to profitably and ethically serve the real estate needs of clients age 50-plus.

CRIME REPORT

Activities reported by the Reston District of the Fairfax County Police Department through March 19.

LARCENIES

- 13300 block of Coppermine Road.** Cell phone and jacket stolen from residence.
- 2200 block of Golf Course Drive.** License plate stolen from vehicle.
- 11700 block of Holly View Drive.** License plate stolen from vehicle.
- 13300 block of Jefferson Commons Court.** Temporary license plate stolen from vehicle.
- 1500 block of Kingstream Circle.** Greencard stolen from residence.
- 11900 block of Market St.** Cash stolen from business.
- South Lakes Drive/Cabots Point Lane.** Purse stolen from business.
- 1800 block of Wiehle Ave.** Gasoline stolen from business.

VEHICLE THEFTS

- 11000 block of Becontree Lake Drive.** 1992 Toyota Camry.

Activities reported by the Fair Oaks District of the Fairfax County Police Department through March 19.

BURGLARY

A 66-year-old woman was startled by a burglar inside her home on Wednesday, March 10. Around 9:10 p.m. a woman in the 2700 block of Snowberry Court heard a noise inside her home after which she encountered an unknown man. When she verbally challenged him, the suspect fled. There were no injuries. The suspect was described as around 6 feet tall, 160 pounds and wearing black clothing. Anyone with information is asked to contact Crime Solvers by phone at 1-866-411-TIPS/8477, e-mail at www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org or text "TIP187" plus your message to CRIMES/274637 or call Fairfax County Police at 703-691-2131.

LARCENIES

- 13000 block of Cobble Lane.** Tools stolen from vehicle.
- 12700 block of Fair Crest Court.** CDs, coins, sunglasses and GPS stolen from vehicle.
- 13000 block of Fair Lakes Shopping Center.** iPhone stolen from business.
- 11700 block of Fair Oaks Shopping Center.** Skateboards stolen from business.
- 12000 block of Golf Ridge Court.** 1992 Buick Regal.

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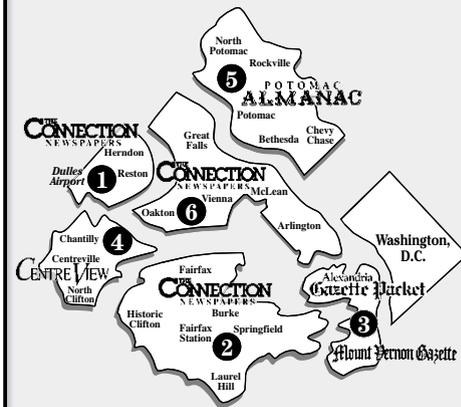
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Of Primary Concern



By **KENNETH B. LOURIE**

Not that I'm cared for, primarily (or otherwise), but my wife, Dina, has (and will have) the role of my "primary caregiver" when push comes to shove; and pull, hold, lift, etc. Not that such care is required at present (thank God!) but, there is an ongoing and likely scenario where such hands-on (literally) care will be needed. In the interim though, Dina has some additional responsibilities to be sure, and definitely has her own emotions/fears/anxieties concerning my unexpected diagnosis/demise to somehow manage and assimilate into her life and her own life's expectancies. It hasn't been – and it won't be – easy.

One day, your present/future is as you anticipated/expected, meaning you're semi normal; free of disease, disability, death, devastation. The next day, the calendar turns and your present/future is in fact disease, disability, death, devastation. One hundred and eighty degrees in 24 hours, and 13 months to two years instead of the rest of your life (30 years, give or take) is a bit more than the average bear, or spouse in this case, can bear, really.

And bare it lays your emotions. There's no real preparation or training for such circumstances. Although my diagnosis wasn't confirmed over night, it took almost two months of testing and scanning, the fortunate fact that I was basically asymptomatic (and basically still am, save for a few minor inconveniences) likely created a convincing yet false sense of security. Until the biopsy confirmed the cancer, each doctor/each subsequent scan never offered any real confirmation (at least so far as was shared with us at the time) of the seriousness of the working diagnosis. My normal appearance and all my "No" answers to their probing lifestyle/symptom questions (some of which presumably should have elicited a "Yes" answer to indicate something was rotten in my Denmark, didn't: Are you coughing? Are you short of breath? Do you smoke? Have you smoked? Are you experiencing any pain or discomfort? Any cancer in your immediate family; mother, father, siblings?) was somewhat perplexing. Apparently, my negative answers didn't confirm their positive findings. All of which contributed to the Lourie version of shock and awe; when my biopsy ultimately confirmed the malignancy and it was determined that my body/our way of life was definitely being attacked.

Of course, I was/am the target, as it were. But Dina is certainly collateral damage, at a minimum. She wasn't attacked per se, but her way of life certainly was (and has been). In some respects, it's almost been easier being the patient. It's my body, my life, my routine. I know the drill. For the significant other/primary caregiver however, they're sort of on the outside looking in, while being inside unable to look out, if that makes any sense. She knows a lot, but is still dependent, to some degree, on what I tell her (and what the doctor says, what it all means, etc.). And getting a clear and predictable picture of a cancer patient's future, given the nature of the cancer business is almost impossible, yet equally impossible for the patients not to want it/almost demand it.

Unfortunately, I sort of know what's going to happen to me. Dina, on the other hand, doesn't really know what's going to happen to her. It's (she's) dependent on me and my health. It's totally out of her control. All she can do now is wait for the other shoe to drop, so to speak (remember, I'm a salesman by day); and for a woman who loves her husband and her shoes, it's an extremely difficult way to live.

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Front row, from left, are Robert Santoro and Robyn Kampf; back row, Anthony Di Trapani, Don Owens, Wendell Driggers and Larry Stine. Not pictured: Lisa Groves and James O'Donnell

FISH To Honor Eight Volunteers

At its annual fundraiser and gala, FISH Fling, Herndon-Reston FISH will honor eight “Star FISH,” volunteers who have spent many hours in service for the organization. They are: Tony Di Trapani, grant writer for the Assistance Program; Wendell Driggers, driver for the Transportation Program; Lisa Groves, fund raiser and founder of present day FISH Fling; Robyn Kampf, Holiday Basket coordinator; Jim O'Donnell, volunteer for The Bargain Loft; Don Owens,

instructor for the Financial Workshops; Bob Santoro, volunteer for The Bargain Loft; and Larry Stine, volunteer for The Bargain Loft. The FISH Fling will be held Saturday night, April 10, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Herndon. Major sponsors of the Fling to date are Volkswagen Group of America and Dominion. For more information, visit the Events page of www.HerndonRestonFISH.org or send an e-mail to FISH@herndonrestonfish.org.

Award Winners

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about a problem many readers would not be familiar with.” Alexandria Gazette Packet

Louise Krafft, third place, Picture story or essay, Halloween, Alexandria Gazette Packet

Louise Krafft, third place, General news photo, Mount Vernon Estate celebrates 4th of July

Gerald Fill, third place, Public safety writing. Judges' Comments: “Good thorough coverage. Interesting material with details that inform readers of all aspects.” Mount Vernon Gazette

Julia Sheehan O'Donoghue third place, Business and financial writing. Judges' Comments: “Interesting and well-written stories on often forgotten niche businesses. Especially

liked the story on the private school situation. Liked the sidebar on how to help non-profits.” Laurel Hill/Fairfax Station Connection

Louise Krafft, third place, Picture story or essay, HomeLifeStyle, Garden tour of Domaine St Charles, Great Falls Connection.

Louise Krafft, Laurence Foong, Mary Kimm, Julia O'Donoghue, Donna Manz, Mike DiCicco, third place, Specialty pages or sections, HomeLifeStyle. Judges' Comments: “Attractive and appealing home section. Nicely written and presented.” Great Falls Connection

Mike DiCicco, third place, Education writing. Judges' Comments: “Slice-of-life stories about Japanese immersion and case day show what schools are doing. Quotes move stories along nicely.” Great Falls Connection

A Case Goes to Grand Jury

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manslaughter. “This was an accident,” he said. “And not all accidents are necessarily criminal in nature.”

Noting that Ross was present during the whole evening of firework throwing and hadn't objected to it, Minor said, “The loss of this child was a tragedy and I am truly sorry, but it was not foreseeable that Ross would have jumped out because of a thrown firework. I ask you to dismiss this case.”

Before rendering her decision, Biberaj said, “This incident touched many fami-

lies, including the victim's and that of the person held responsible. There are so many unlawful acts in this case — people sitting in a truck bed, illegal fireworks.”

She said the firework that fell back made Ross take action “to avoid something happening to him. A whole series of factors led to his death, and the person who sets them in motion can be held responsible. It is for that reason I'm certifying this to the grand jury.” However, she added, “The court finds probable cause — not guilt or innocence.”

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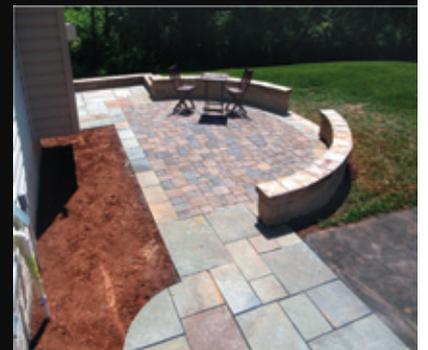
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