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# Maybe Next Year

School Board commits to future pay hikes.

By JULIA O'DONOGHUE  
THE CONNECTION

Fairfax County teachers will not see an increase in their pay in the fall but, but the School Board has promised to boost public schools' staff compensation for the following academic year.

Fairfax School Board members voted 8-4 to "commit" to an increase employees' pay for the 2011-12 school calendar on May 20. At the same meeting, the School Board also approved next year's public schools' operations budget, in which employee compensation was frozen for the second year in a row.

"If I can't commit to giving our employees a raise in 2012, I don't know what I can commit to. I can't imagine what it would be like to make our employees go three years without a raise," said School Board member Stu Gibson (Hunter Mill).

If Fairfax County does not increase teachers' pay in the next budget cycle, the local school system will start to lose employees to surrounding localities with better benefits, said School Board member Dan Storck (Mount Vernon), who sponsored the resolution.

"If we go without a pay increase for our staff next year, we will harm the quality of our education," he said.

A system-wide pay increase for public schools' staff is not cheap. By declining to give the automatic "step increase" in staff pay this year, for example, the School Board saved approximately \$40 million to cover the cost of popular programs like elementary band and strings and foreign language immersion.

"This is going to be difficult. We are going to have to cut things that are dear to us to give this pay increase," said School Board member Tina Hone (At-large), who still supported Storck's motion.

But a few School Board members felt uncomfortable making such a promise to employees given the economic forecast for county revenue next year. Even without

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## Bell Tolls For Those Who Gave All

**Legion Post 177, VFW Post 8469 host traditional Memorial Day service.**

BY JUSTIN FANIZZI  
THE CONNECTION

Fairfax County has made more than its fair share of sacrifices on foreign soils over the years to ensure freedom for all Americans and protect their quality of life. Though nothing that can be done to fully repay the fallen and their families for that sacrifice, once a year, the county tries to do just that.

American Legion Post 177, which is located in Fairfax, and VFW Post 8469 of Fairfax Station hosted a traditional Memorial Day program Monday, May 31 on the lawn of the city's Old Court House. The event, attended by several local dignitaries, gave area residents the chance to honor and remember those that gave their lives in service of the country.

"It's important that we pause and think about our family and friends who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our country," said Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova (D-At-large) "We thank them so much for all of the sacrifices they have made to keep our country safe."

The event, attended by U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly

(D-11), Sen. Chap Petersen (D-34), Supervisors John Cook (R-Braddock), Herrity (R-Springfield) and Bulova and Fairfax City Mayor Robert Lederer and Councilman Joan Cross, began with the presentation of the colors by members of the American Legion. VFW Post 8469 Cmdr. Floyd Houston followed with the Pledge of Allegiance and an opening prayer and each of the dignitaries in attendance were given a chance to speak.

Each of the speakers stressed how important it is to remember the sacrifices that all of the country's war veterans made in countries across the world to protect the things we value at home. Several of the speakers implored those in attendance to also remember the significance of the day and carry it to the rest of the year instead of viewing Memorial Day as simply a day off from work and a chance to lay by the pool.

"Memorial Day is a very important time of remembrance," Connolly said. "But it isn't enough to honor our 24 million veterans only once a year. We have to walk the walk as well as talk the talk and support them and their families."

Following the speeches, Houston asked for volunteers to come to the podium to read the names of county residents who lost their lives in World Wars I and II, Korea, Vietnam, Operation Enduring Freedom and on Sept. 11, 2001. Each politician and all of the veterans in attendance read 10 names each until all 350 were announced. In keep

**"It's a great demonstration of the real purpose of Memorial Day."**

— Hank Roeder, American Legion Post 177



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**World War II veteran Avon Blevens rings the bell after each name of the war dead is read.**

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## Parents Give Athletic Fee Low Score

**Fee of \$100 per child, per sport to take effect next year in Fairfax County Public Schools.**

BY REED S. ALBERS  
THE CONNECTION

South County parent Paul Haynes is used to spending a few extra dollars from his budget to help support his three children's youth athletic careers.

His son plays for the South County football team, his daughter for the South County softball team and he has a rising freshman that will want to join the school's sports teams as well.

But at the start of the 2010-11 sports seasons, he'll have to dish out an additional \$100 per child, per sport if they want to play for the Stallions. The total cost could reach \$900 if each of his three children decide to play three sports a year.

"I do not like it," he said. "If they want to raise money, it could have some negative effects elsewhere. I just think it's a bad

idea."

The Fairfax County School Board voted 9-3 on May 20 to require the \$100 sports fee.

The Haynes family has little recourse now other than to pencil in the expense in their budget for next season.

"I do not feel it is right, but I do not mind [paying the fee]," said Annette Haynes, Paul's wife. "It's out job as

**"I do not like it."**

— Paul Haynes

parents to get kids interested in sports and involved to these activities."

School Board members Tina Hone (At-large), Sandy Evans (Mason) and Patty Reed (Providence) voted against the fee.

"These fees touch such a large swath of students," Hone said.

Evans, Reed and Hone supported a motion to remove the fee entirely, which failed. The three, along with School Board member Dan Storck (Mount Vernon), supported another motion to make the fee a one-time



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**The new \$100 athletic fee is expected to generate \$1.8 million in revenue for the county. Money raised by the fee will be deposited in the county's general fund.**

expense for students, but that failed as well. he wants the school system to monitor the situation closely.

While Storck supported the fees, he said

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PHOTO BY CHRIS WEBER

## Bug Time

Clifton Elementary kindergarten Alex Petrus takes his turn at center stage during the performance of 'Goin' Buggy.'

## Woman's Club Meets June 3

The next meeting of the Clifton Community Woman's Club will be Thursday, June 3, at 6:30 p.m., at the Country Club of Fairfax. It will feature food, a wrap-up of the year's events, the club woman of the year award and the installation of next year's officers. The cost is \$42. To attend, contact Joyce Post at [jpost3@cox.net](mailto:jpost3@cox.net).

The club's purpose is to serve the community through activities and projects that enhance the cultural, educational and physical wellbeing of the community. For membership information, visit [www.cliftoncwc.org](http://www.cliftoncwc.org) or contact Linda Beckman at [dunleavyjl@aol.com](mailto:dunleavyjl@aol.com).

## Republican Primary June 8

Registered voters living the 11th Congressional District in central and southern Fairfax County can participate in a Republican primary election June 8.

Oakton businessman Keith Fimian and Supervisor Patrick Herrity (R-Springfield) are competing for the Republican nomination to Virginia's 11th Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives. The winner will take on incumbent U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11) in a November election.

Voters do not register by political party in Virginia. Any person registered to vote and living the congressional district is legally allowed to participate in the Republican primary this week.

People who wish to participate should report to their normal polling station between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Election Day.

— JULIA O'DONOGHUE

## Clifton Film Festival

The Clifton Film Festival features original student films, 3-8 minutes long. The top films will have their videos shown in the Clifton Town

Park under the stars, plus on the town's website. It's slated for Friday, July 23, with a rain date of ?Saturday July 24, and film submissions are currently being sought. For more information, see [www.cliftonfilmfest.com](http://www.cliftonfilmfest.com) or e-mail [dani@cliftonfilmfest.com](mailto:dani@cliftonfilmfest.com).

## Internet Safety Meeting Set

On Thursday, June 10, at 7:30 p.m., Supervisors Pat Herrity (R-Springfield) and John Cook (R-Braddock) will host a town hall meeting at W.T. Woodson High School. The meeting will focus on educating adults with the knowledge and resources needed to protect the children

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PHOTO BY JUSTIN FANIZZI/THE CONNECTION

The South County Secondary School Symphonic Orchestra plays side-by-side with 14 musicians from the Fairfax Symphony Orchestra and its conductor, Christopher Zimmerman.

# Learning from the Best

## South County Symphonic Orchestra teams up with Fairfax Symphony.

BY JUSTIN FANIZZI  
THE CONNECTION

South County Secondary School orchestral director Sarah Lancaster knows that to be the best, one has to learn from the best. In turn, Lancaster is taking steps to ensure that her students receive the best education possible and has enlisted the help of professionals.

The school's Symphonic Orchestra teamed up with members of the Fairfax Symphony Orchestra (FSO) Tuesday, June 1 for a side-by-side rehearsal and concert. The side-by-side was part of the organization's Symphony Creating Outreach Resources for Education outreach program and was intended to sharpen the skills of the students.

"The students are already very good, but we just help them finesse it," said FSO spokeswoman Cathy Smith. "We got to a number of different schools and help the students prepare for a competition or tweak for a performance."

According to Lancaster, South County Secondary took part in a side-by-side last year with the FSO, but neither Lancaster nor FSO Musical Director Christopher Zimmerman was in their respective positions at the time. This experience, then, was new for both of them. Lancaster said that she heard about

the SCORE program through a teacher in-service program right after she got the job at the school. When she looked it up on the Internet, she recognized that this was an opportunity that she could not pass up.

"Once I got my feet wet and looked at SCORE's website, I knew that this was something we needed to do," Lancaster said. "We wanted [the students] to hear what the music is supposed to sound like from professionals."

Lancaster contacted Smith and worked out a date for Zimmerman and FSO members to come work with her students, and it just so happened that the date Zimmerman was available was around the date that school orchestra's spring concert was scheduled. So, it was decided that Zimmerman would come in to help tighten the orchestra up before their flagship performance.

**"The students are already very good, but we just help them finesse it,"**

— Cathy Smith, Fairfax Symphony Orchestra spokeswoman

**THE AFTERNOON** of the concert, Zimmerman and 14 FSO members went to the school for a rehearsal, which also served as an introductory session. Neither Zimmerman nor the 14

FSO members had ever worked with South County students before, so in addition to having the pressure of preparing for their most important performance, they also had to get used to working with a new leader who many of the students deemed "intense." Though they had been rehearsing the Franz Schubert composition for more than two months, this change took some getting used to.

"When we are with him, it gets intense," said senior Amani Mansour. "I like it though, because it makes us work harder because we don't want to

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# PEOPLE

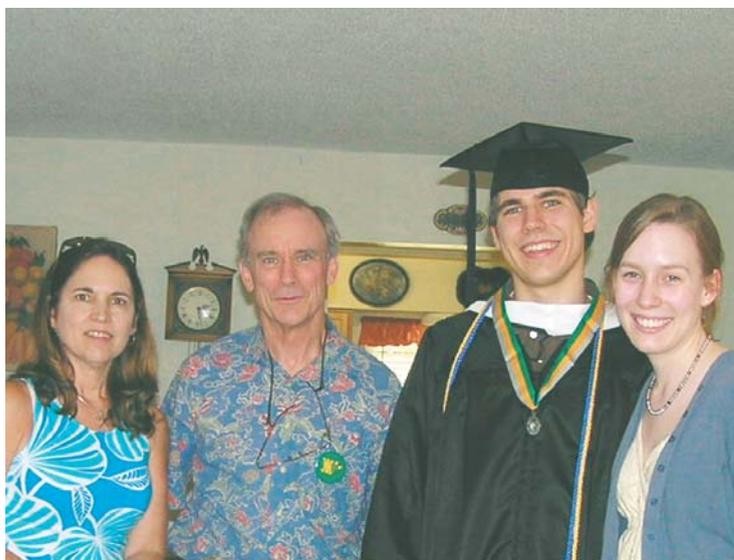
**Megan Kane** of Fairfax Station was named to the dean's list for the Spring 2010 semester at Quinnipiac University.

Fairfax County resident **Dariece Rau** was recently invited to join nearly 200 of her peers at a national conference in Walt Disney World, Fla, hosted by Cultural Care Au Pair. Rau is a Cultural Care Au Pair local childcare coordinator (LCC) for Fairfax and Clifton. At the conference, Rau networked with other coordinators from across the country and participated in professional development seminars and social media presentations.

The following students from Lorton

graduated from the University of Mary Washington on May 8: **Dallas R. Stapleton** of Lorton graduated cum laude with a bachelor of science degree in business administration; **Jacob McCrumb** of Lorton graduated cum laude with a bachelor of arts degree in religion and philosophy; and **Kathleen Nicole Watson** graduated cum laude with a bachelor of science degree in business administration and English.

**Michael Christopher Robert Schmidt** of Clifton received a bachelor of science degree in business administration from the University of Mary Washington on May 8.



## W&M Grad

**David Adams** of Fairfax Station graduated from the College of William and Mary summa cum laude with a bachelor of arts degree in economics and business finance (dual major). He is pictured with his parents, Jon and Paula Adams of Fairfax Station, and his fiancée, Caitlin Robinson.

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It's early in the festival and already Old House Vineyard of Culpeper has started gathering a pile of corks. In the background, Karen Backman discusses a vintage with some tasters.



Craig Stuart and Kathy Smith of South Riding believe that Virginia is for wine lovers.



Mimi Anne Cook, 3, of Burke sits still while Clifton artist Kristen Poleski paints her face.

# Wine Flows in Clifton

**O**n Saturday, May 29, the population of Clifton increased by several thousand as the town hosted the fourth annual Clifton Wine Festival. Organized and sponsored by Capitol Roofing-USA, among other sponsors, the event showcased 18 Virginia wineries and vineyards.

It was a day of beautiful weather, great food and music — and by the smiles on everyone's faces, excellent wine. Approximately 3,000 people attended

the festival. The event netted \$30,000, which will be donated to the Town of Clifton.

"This year's event was a resounding success, and I couldn't have done it without my dedicated staff and the overwhelming support our great town and its volunteer corps," said Marcus Silva, co-owner of Capitol Roofing-USA with his wife Colette Silva. "I am privileged to be a part of this special town which is made up of some pretty incredible people and the day's success is all about them."

**David Carey and Leigh Oldershaw of Woodbridge, Andrew Jansen of Fort Meyer, and Mallory and Courtney Cashdollar of Fairfax toast before they taste**



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Kevin Mundy of Lake Ridge discusses some of the Rebec Vineyards vintage.

# FCPS Budget

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an increase in teacher pay, several School Board members anticipate they would have to cut more programs to balance the budget for the 2011-12 calendar year.

"When this board increases compensation for staff, this board will have to lay off staff and cut programs to do it," said School Board member Jim Raney (At-large), who voted against the measure.

Some members of the Fairfax County Board of Su-

perisors also criticized the School Board for passing the measure.

Supervisor Jeff McKay (D-Lee) called the School Board irresponsible for making a promise to increase their staff's pay before the Fairfax government has a clear idea of what next year's financial picture will be.

County tax revenue historically accounts for 75 percent of the school system's overall funding in a given year and the supervisors, not the School Board, is the group responsible setting local taxes.

"I am for giving teachers a pay raise. Most people are for giving teachers a raise. But I don't know what the situation is going to be like next year. What else am I going to have to cut to do that?" said McKay.



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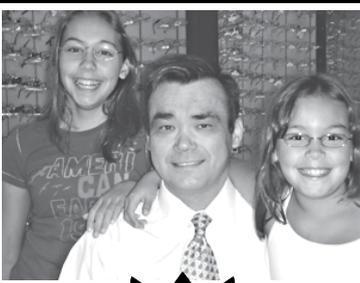
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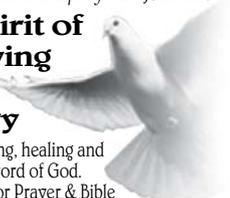
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FOR THE CURE

For nearly three decades, millions have walked or run to honor a loved one and to both raise awareness about breast cancer and to raise funds to discover the cures of tomorrow and fund breast health services that might save the lives of their neighbors today.

We can be proud of how far we've come. What started out as 800 women walking around a shopping mall in Dallas, Texas has grown to include more than 1.5 million people walking or running in more than 140 Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure events worldwide this year. People are walking in Richmond and Rome; Cleveland and Cairo. It has truly become a global movement.

**ALL THIS WALKING** has paid off too. In the U.S. we have entered into a new era of awareness, early detection and personalized medicines. This new era is saving lives and providing hope of one day putting an end to the suffering for good.

Yet for all of our successes, this hope is not universally shared. In capitals across the globe, women and their families do not yet fully understand this disease or appreciate the benefits of early detection. And they live in communities with health care systems which are unable to adequately screen or treat the disease.

Here too, in the heart of our nation's capi-

tal, many women do not fully understand the disease, are confused about early detection, and must navigate a significantly fragmented health care system that is unable to properly serve many areas of our community, particularly for those who are uninsured or underinsured.

Together, we can make an impact, both here and abroad. On June 5 on the National Mall, we will host the 21<sup>st</sup> running of the Susan G. Komen Global Race for the Cure. Up to 75 percent of all the funds raised by the Komen Global Race will stay right here to help local women. The rest will go to support our efforts to share the lessons we have learned educating low-resource women in the U.S. with women in low-resource countries of Asia and Africa and Latin America.

And let me be honest — we have a lot of work to do.

In recent years Komen has sought to raise awareness about breast cancer, particularly in low-income and underserved communities, and to break down barriers that have prevented some women from getting the care they need. And we've had some great successes, such as drastically decreasing the time women at some clinics have to wait in order to get a mammogram.

Yet we are far from satisfied. Komen just finished a comprehensive review of the National Capital Area, and what we found has given us a renewed call to action. Despite our success in raising awareness, women diagnosed with breast cancer in Washington, D.C. are still more likely to die from the disease than women in the rest of the country.

While there are many reasons for this, two

saddened that their sacrifice did not end when their service did, but the good news is that we can work to make their lives better. Many just need help to break down barriers and connect them to needed support.

I had the privilege of meeting one such hero recently. Over the winter, Joe, a veteran from the Iraq/Afghanistan Wars who was living in the woods in Fairfax, came into Fairfax County's Hypothermia Prevention Response Program, a partnership between the government, nonprofits and the faith community to provide shelter, hot meals, services, and companionship for our area's homeless.

Even though he was homeless, Joe was attending NOVA under the GI Bill. His goal was to attain an associate's degree and then become a certified electrician. Through the Hypothermia Program, he was able to find indoor places to study for his various classes. Working with FACETS' staff, Joe was urged to meet with a mental health worker, which he

credits with helping him overcome issues related to post-traumatic stress.

Today, Joe is out of the woods—literally and figuratively. He is living in supportive housing where he continues to have access to needed social services. In addition, he has earned his degree and is ready to work.

There are many other veterans like Joe who have goals and dreams. They volunteered to serve our nation and have fallen on tough times.

That's why during this time of remembrance, it's important to not let these veterans become fallen heroes. We can and must reach out to them, offering them a chance to fully participate and succeed in the democracy that they helped protect.

As we honor our veterans, I hope people will have more compassion for our nation's homeless heroes. It's time we welcome more of them home.

**Amanda Andere**  
Executive Director  
FACETS

### For the Cure, June 5

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things popped out at us.

**WE LEARNED** that awareness is not enough — women need to truly understand breast cancer, including how it's detected and treated. We found that myths and misconceptions are still widespread. Many women are afraid of screening, thinking it is painful and that a cancer diagnosis equals a death sentence. Others are confused by media reports with conflicting messages about who should get a mammogram and how often. This confusion is not limited to the health care consumer, but is also prevalent among health care providers.

Notably, we also found that the region's overly fragmented health care system produces substantial barriers to accessing care for major segments of the population. Many women cannot access affordable screening because there is too little funding for programs that provide free and low-cost mammograms. These women face economic and transportation barriers that keep them from seeking help.

No woman should have to die just because of where she lives or where she was diagnosed. While we've come a long way, we are not yet at the finish line. We must keep running. Will you join us?

### Connolly Cut Tax Rate

To the Editor:

Rob Paine was accurate in his letter ["Herrity Walking the Walk?" Connection, May 20-26, 2010] questioning Supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield) for supporting a 13 percent property tax increase in Fairfax County — but he was all wrong when he tried to paint U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11) with the same brush.

The writer ignored the fact that when Connolly was chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, he was responsible for the two largest real estate tax rate cuts in the county's history. As documented in the minutes of the county board meetings, Connolly was the driving force behind a 13-cent reduction in the property tax rate for Fiscal Year 2006 and an 11-cent cut in the rate the following year. Overall, those documents show that Connolly cut the real estate tax rate five times during his

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### Help Homeless Heroes Too

To the Editor:

On Memorial Day, it's important to remember the millions of people who have served our nation, protecting and defending those less fortunate as well as our principles and way of life. As the head of FACETS, a nonprofit serving vulnerable and homeless people in the greater Fairfax area, I know first hand how tragic it is when veterans are not remembered. That's because we serve many heroes who have become homeless.

It's hard to fathom that so many brave soldiers are now living in shelters, motels, cars and even the woods. In fact, about 25 percent of our clients are veterans and this number is growing. Lately, we have seen an increase in the number of veterans that are severely mentally ill and older seeking help. Most of these veterans also have deteriorating health conditions and access services through the Veteran's Administration. I am

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tenure on the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Paine's letter also conveniently sidestepped U.S. Rep. Connolly's record of independence and fiscal responsibility in the House of Representatives where he has worked to energize the Northern Virginia economy by bringing federal contracts and private sector jobs into the region, saved the jobs of Fairfax and Prince William teachers to maintain quality education in our schools, secured funds for vital transportation projects like the completion of the Fairfax County Parkway and Rail to Dulles and defied his own party leadership by voting against the \$154 billion spending bill, arguing that unused and repaid TARP funds should be used, instead, to reduce the federal deficit.

**Jennifer Heinz**  
Springfield

## It's a Shame

To the Editor,

It's truly a shame that we have both voters and political candidates that don't seem to understand something as simple as Fairfax County real estate taxes. The annual re-assessments are based on the recent sales price of similar homes in the same neighborhood. The county supervisors must adjust the tax rate to compensate for substantial changes in the average assessed value of our homes.

Letter writer Rob Paine ["Herrity Walking The Walk?," The Connection, May 20-26, 2010] and candidate Keith Fimian are both claiming his opponent, Supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield), raised our property taxes with his vote to increase the tax rate to compensate for the drop in assessments. In actuality, the average real estate tax owed decreased rather than increased due to a drop in county spending. This is easily verified by accessing the county's website and examining the recent yearly budgets. Any homeowner having to pay more tax this year is simply lucky his home dropped in value less than the county's average.

I suspect that candidate Fimian understands this perfectly well as he has a degree in business administration, but instead, is trying to mislead voters for political gain — a severe character flaw in my opinion.

**Lester Via**  
Springfield

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## THURSDAY/JUNE 3

### Springfield Days Kick-off Reception.

6-8 p.m. at Safford Chrysler Jeep Dodge of Springfield, 6801 Commerce St., Springfield. Light hors d'oeuvres and live music by The Reunion Music Society Jazz Orchestra. [www.fairfaxcounty.gov](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov).

### Springfield Days FamilyFest at Springfield Mall.

4-10 p.m. 6710 Springfield Mall, Springfield, Games, rides, food and more with the Cole Shows Amusement Company. [www.fairfaxcounty.gov](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov).

### "Mindgame." 8 p.m. Spot-LYTE Lorton Youth Theatre Ensemble, Workhouse Art Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton.

For mature audiences. An author of "true crime" stories enters a mental institution to interview a serial killer. 703-584-2973 or [www.workhousearts.org](http://www.workhousearts.org).

### Daytime Book Discussion Group.

12:15 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. South of Broad by Pat Conroy. Adults. 703-339-4610.

## FRIDAY/JUNE 4

### Springfield Days FilmFest. 7:30 p.m.

at The American Legion Post 176, 6520 Amherst Ave., Springfield. Featuring the best of Annandale High School student filmmakers. [www.fairfaxcounty.gov](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov).

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### MSG: The Acoustic Blues Trio. 7:30 p.m.

at Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield. Free. 703-324-7469 or [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances).

### Sandra Y. Johnson Quintet. 7:30 p.m.

at Grist Mill Park, 4710 Mt. Vernon Memorial Hwy, Alexandria. Free. 703-324-7469 or [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances).

### Lee High School Senior One Acts. 7 p.m.

at Robert E. Lee High School, 6540 Franconia Road, Springfield. Tickets \$3 for one night, \$5 for both Friday, June 4 and Saturday, June 5. Free snacks. [kmurray51@yahoo.com](mailto:kmurray51@yahoo.com).

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### Friends of Burke Centre Book Sale. 10 a.m.

Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Titles and material for all ages. 703-249-1520.

### Kingstowne Farmers Market. 4-7 p.m., at Kingstowne Town Center.

## SATURDAY/JUNE 5

### Springfield Days Fitness Fest at South Run RECenter, 7550 Reservation Drive, Springfield. 1.5 mile Family Fun Run at 8:30 a.m., adults \$20, children \$15. 703-455-7056. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. exercise class and physical therapy demonstrations, zumba lessons, blood pressure and spinal screenings, raffles and more. [www.fairfaxcounty.gov](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov).

### Springfield Days at Springfield Mall. 4-10 p.m. 6710 Springfield Mall, Springfield, Games, rides, food and more with the Cole Shows Amusement Company.



The Aloha Boys perform on Sunday, June 13 at 2 p.m., as part of the three-day cultural celebration of Hawaii at the Workhouse Arts Center.

**Mall.** 6710 Springfield Mall, Springfield. Entertainment stage and exhibitors from 1-5 p.m., with The Bob Meyers Trio featuring vocalist Terry Dearmore, The Reunion Music Society Jazz Orchestra and the RMS Jazz Orchestra. Springfield Art Guild Show and Sale, from 1-5 p.m. PetFest and Paws-on-Parade at 3:45 p.m. [www.fairfaxcounty.gov](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov).

### Movie in the Park & OutdoorFest at South Run Recreation Center, 7550 Reservation Drive, Springfield. Costumed interpreters, historic children's games, nature walks and talks and a meet and greet with farm animals from 2-8 p.m. Screening of

"Fantastic Mr. Fox" after dark, approximately 8 p.m. Bring a blanket or lawn chairs. [www.fairfaxcounty.gov](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov).

**Springfield Days: FamilyFest at Springfield Mall.** 12-10 p.m. 6710 Springfield Mall, Springfield, Games, rides, food and more with the Cole Shows Amusement Company. [www.fairfaxcounty.gov](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov).

**Backyard Koinonia Family Fun Fest.** 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Franconia United Methodist Church, 6037 Franconia Road, Alexandria. A fundraising event to benefit the Koinonia Foundation, with children's games, food, music, and more.

Donations of funds and canned or dried foods accepted. 703-971-5151 or [admin@franconiaumc.org](mailto:admin@franconiaumc.org).

### Kingstowne Library Anniversary. 12-3 p.m. at the Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria.

With a face painter and balloon animal maker, as well as an "SRP Zone" where youth services staff will feature books on the library's Summer Reading Program book list. View photos from the past 10 years or record remembrances and good wishes in a memory book. 703-339-4610.

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**Artnotes: Lynn Mackey.** 7 p.m. Gallery W-16, Second Floor, Workhouse Art Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. Pianist Mackey performing Chopin, John Cage and more. 703-584-2973 or [www.workhousearts.org](http://www.workhousearts.org).

**Explore the Night.** 7:30 p.m. at Pohick Bay Regional Park, Gunston Road, Lorton. Meet at the Pohick Bay camp store for an exciting program about our local nocturnal wildlife. After a short talk, we will venture into the park in search of owls, foxes, and other night prowlers. Free. Reserve at 703-339-6104.

**Meadowood Trail Day.** 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Meet at Lower Potomac Field Station

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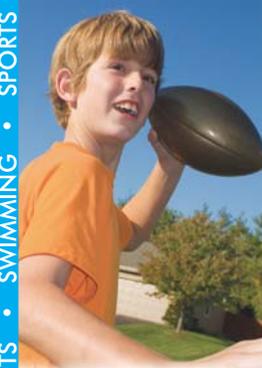
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FILE PHOTO

Runners from leave the starting line of the 2008 Clifton Caboose Twilight Fun Run.

# Running at Twilight

**Clifton Caboose Twilight 5K Run returns June 12.**

BY BONNIE HOBBS  
THE CONNECTION

**M**ost races just give prizes to the winners, but in the Clifton Caboose Twilight Run, the last-place, or caboose, finisher is also honored. This year's event, the 13th annual, is slated for Saturday, June 12. The 1-mile fun run/walk starts at 6 p.m., and the 5K, at 6:30 p.m., rain or shine.

The course begins near the triangle intersection of Clifton and Newman roads and Main Street and is popular with participants because of its country atmosphere and party afterward. Last year's event attracted nearly 400 participants, and race chairman Gary Anderson hopes for that many people, or more, this time.

"The course goes straight out Newman Road and back again," he said. "It's a little hilly and fairly challenging. It's also very scenic and, I think, one of the more unique races in the area. It's a twilight run and, being out in this rural area, it's quiet and peaceful."

The race is sponsored by the Clifton Betterment Association (CBA), dedicated to improving the Town of Clifton. This year's proceeds will go toward renovating the barn on Main Street and the Clifton Primitive Baptist Church.

Registration is at [www.signmeup.com/68976](http://www.signmeup.com/68976) until June 11. Entry fees are \$24 for the 5K and \$18 for the 1-mile. Race-day registration is from 4-5:30 p.m. at the barn at 7139 Main St. Packet pick-up is Friday, June 11, from 5-7 p.m., at the barn, or on race day, just prior to the event. Participants will also receive a commemorative, Clifton

Caboose T-shirt.

Parking is available at the end of Chapel Street, in the floodplain and at Clifton Elementary. Water will be provided along the course, and snacks such as watermelon, bananas, oranges and bagels will be offered after the race. All children participating will receive Freeze Pops from The Clifton Store.

The Reston Runners Club manages the finish line and will record each runner's time via computer. Cash awards go to the top three male and female finishers. Prizes are also awarded to the top two finishers in each age group. The top two CBA-member finishers receive medals, and a caboose award goes to the person coming in last. In the fun run/walk, all finishers are given ribbons, and age-group medals are awarded.

But even when the final participants have crossed the finish line, there'll still be lots more fun in store. "Afterwards, everyone who came to the race may join the party at the barn," said Anderson. "There'll be food and a live band. The City-Dwelling Nature Seekers will play folk, rock and 'jangle-jangle' music. Water and beer will be provided, and people are encouraged to bring picnic suppers and beverages for children."

Anderson has chaired the race for six years. "It's such a great event that I feel so strongly we should continue to have in the town," he said. "And the same people — Michelle Stein and Steve Bittner — have helped for a lot of years and know just what to do."

**IN JANUARY**, they pick a date for the race and get onto the local race calendars so runners can find this event and prepare for it. In the spring, they notify businesses and residents along Newman Road about the race because that road is closed to traffic during the event.

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# VFW, Legion Honor Veterans

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ing with tradition, Avon Blevens, who served in both theaters of World War II, rang a bell after each name.

The service concluded after the reading of the names with two more traditional elements. VFW member John McAnaw placed a wreath on the city's Fairfax War Memorial, located on the same lawn and American Legion Post 177 Cmdr. Robert Sussan then

led the audience in a closing prayer. American Legion member Hank Roeder officially ended the ceremony by playing taps as the veterans saluted the flag.

"This was s a continuing demonstration of VFW Post 8469 and American Legion Post 177's dedication to commemorate the war dead and it seems to be growing," Roeder said. "It was s a great demonstration of the real purpose of Memorial Day."

# Failing Grade for Athletic Fee

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Money generated from the fee will go into the county's general fund and is expected to generate \$1.8 million in revenue. Students who qualify for a free or reduced-priced lunch are exempt from paying the fee. However, that standard is extremely low. A family of four must be living on \$41,000 per year in Fairfax County to qualify for reduced-priced lunches.

The average median income for Fairfax County households is more than \$100,000.

Some are worried the fee might prevent students from participating in as many as three sports in a year, or any sports at all.

"Small schools are afraid they won't be able to

field teams," Reed said.

Evans said that some sports programs at Loudoun County Public Schools, with lower-income families, have been affected since a high school sports fee took effect last year. Park View High School has seen a drop off in the number of students participating in track this spring.

At a Lake Braddock baseball game, parent Carol Church echoed the worries of many parents in the region.

The cost is just too high.

"It's a lot per child," she said. "Especially if there are multi-sport families. One hundred dollars is just too high."

*Julia O'Donoghue and R. Kyle Rosenbluth contributed to this report.*

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## NEWS BRIEFS

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under their care from online dangers. The meeting will feature presentations from Internet safety expert and Enough Is Enough (EIE) President Donna Rice Hughes and a Fairfax County Police Officer from the Child Exploitation Unit.

The program will cover the essential safety basics adults need to know to protect children from online threats of pornography, sexual predators and cyber bullies. It will also instruct on how to keep kids safe on social networking and gaming sites and mobile devices.

This event is open to parents, educators and other concerned adults in the community. Some of the material is not appropriate for young children.

### Workhouse Calls for Photo Entries

The Workhouse Arts Center is accepting entries for the Second Annual Juried Photographic Competition Exhibition. The selected works will be featured in an exhibition from July 21-Aug. 15, upstairs in Gallery W-16. Both professional and amateur photographers, 18 and older, are invited to submit up to three photographic images for consideration. Entry forms can be found at www.WorkhouseArts.org or at the Workhouse in Gallery W-16. Entries must be postmarked no later than June 5. An awards reception, open to the public, will be on July 25, from 2-4 p.m. in Gallery W-16. David Adamson, an internationally renowned master printer, will be the juror for the competition.

### New Library Hours Begin July 1

The Fairfax County Public Library will change its hours as a result of countywide budget reductions. The new hours will take effect at branches July 1. Regional and community library branches, with the exception of Access Services, which is located at the Fairfax County Government Center, will alternate morning and evening hours four days a week. Although the change represents a reduction in the overall number of hours the library is open each week, the new schedule allows branches to extend their evening hours from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Here are the new hours:

❖ Regional Branches: Monday, 1-9 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; Wednesday, 1-9 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Saturday hours remain 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; and Sunday hours remain 1-5 p.m. Regional branches include Centreville, Chantilly, City of Fairfax, George Mason, Pohick, Reston, Sherwood and Tysons-Pimmit.

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# Robinson, Woodson Nominated for Cappies

'The Boy Friend,'  
'David and Lisa'  
recognized.

BY BONNIE HOBBS  
THE CONNECTION

When the 2010 Cappie award winners for high-school theater are announced Sunday, June 13, at the 11th annual Cappies gala at The Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. students from Robinson Secondary and Woodson High will be listening intently and hoping for victories.

Robinson's musical, "The Boy Friend," was nominated for six awards, including costumes, orchestra, choreography, male dancer, and both comic and supporting actress in a musical. Woodson was honored for stage crew and supporting actress in a play for "David and Lisa."

"I'm delighted," said Robinson Theater Director Chip Rome about his musical's nomination. "It was an unfamiliar show but, once word got out, the crowds came in and we sold out, our second weekend. This one really had to prove itself, and it did, so that was very gratifying."

Previously, he said, Cappies critics came to opening night of Robinson's play. This year, though, said Rome, "They came the second weekend, when the show had found its legs [and ironed out all the minor details]."

He said it's always "icing on the cake" to get outside recognition from the Cappies. "I'm particularly pleased that we were recognized across both acting and tech categories," said Rome. "The thing we were curious about is how Logan Hillman — the brother of last year's Cappie-winning cho-



Couples dance in Robinson Secondary School's production of 'The Boy Friend' which received six Cappies nominations, including best choreography.

reographer — would do, and he was nominated for choreography along with Erica Heer."

Karly Hirst and Annie Stringer are costumes nominees. "Karly won it for costumes last year for 'Fiddler on the Roof,' so it gave her more enthusiasm to work even harder," said Rome. "And, boy, did she create a lot of costumes."

As for the orchestra nod, he noted that Jose Justiniano, who was the actual fiddler in last year's musical, was part of "The Boy Friend's" orchestra, dubbed the Bearcats. Rome also said that male dancer nominee Alex Alferov "did a mean Charleston with Erica Heer," who's also nominated for comic actress in a musical.

"She really owned the stage and kept a buoyant energy that pushed the show over the top toward the spoof it's supposed to

be," said Rome.

Nominated for supporting actress in a musical, Madison Auch "was so solid, both as the mothering head mistress, caring for her little chickens, and also letting her inner French sizzle loose when she rediscovered her old flame," said Rome. "And a lot of critics noted how consistent her French accent was, both singing and speaking. But I think it was really her stage presence and lovely singing voice that held the day."

Over at Woodson, Theater Director Terri Hobson was pleased with her school's nominations for "David and Lisa." Emily Adler is in the running for supporting actress in a play, and Jennifer Grape, Nora Hayman, Jessica MacDonald and Jenna Pratz are stage crew nominees.

"I think it's great," said Hobson. "Emily is a fabulous actor and is going to Virginia's

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— Robinson Theater Director  
Chip Rome

Governor's School for the Gifted, this summer, for theater, as is another Woodson actress, Emily Vanni."

She said Adler will "jump into any project, and it just goes to show there are no small parts. Emily didn't have a lead role, but she made the most of it. A lot of times, high-school actors who play older characters take it over the top and make them stereotypical and exaggerated. But she has great instincts and knew what to do to make the role her own and believable to the audience."

Regarding the stage crew nomination, Hobson said the four nominees are the stage manager and three assistants, but "there were nine other kids who moved walls throughout the entire show. The story's about two, mentally ill adolescents in a residential home, trying to work their way out of the mazes in their minds."

So, she said, the set was instrumental in helping to convey this information to the audience. "We had 19 wall units, and nine moved constantly throughout the show to create the different spaces the scenes were in," said Hobson.

"At the end of the show, I let them take a curtain call, which I never do for my tech crew, in honor of their hard work," she said. "They were really a part of the company, and it was all choreographed, along with the acting. It's nice to be recognized, and all our nominees deserve all the recognition they can get, but I was awfully proud of that show, no matter what."

## Symphonies Team Up at S. County

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embarrass ourselves in front of professional musicians. It made us much more confident."

During the two-hour rehearsal, the group practiced the Schubert piece, plus a medley of Beatles songs and a rendition of Journey's "Don't Stop Believin'," which were the songs that they would perform later that night. Zimmerman was very hands-on with the students, stopping the orchestra in the middle of a piece to explain to a student what he or she was doing wrong and how to correct it. This advice, combined with the knowledge obtained by sitting directly next to a professional musician had a significant impact on many of the students.

"It's been really interesting playing next to musicians who get paid to play music for a living," said senior Flint Sisson. "We've learned a lot not only about how to play the music, but also how to express the emotions that the song means to convey."

On the other hand, Zimmerman was thrilled to impart as much knowledge as possible on the students, but lamented the fact that he only had one two-hour rehearsal with the students before the per-

formance. He said that so many things must be taken into account while conducting, but with limited time, he had to decide which elements needed the most improvement and focused on those exclusively.

"I think what would be most effective would be to have two rehearsals and not just one in the future," Zimmerman said. "Since a lot of them haven't played in an orchestra before, it can be a little bewildering, so you have to prioritize. For an orchestra ensemble, intonation and tune are the big things, so that's what we focused on."

Regardless of the amount of time spent together, all involved parties were more than satisfied with what they were hearing. After just two hours of instruction, tones seemed fuller, notes were sharper and every instrument was in sync. This slight but noticeable change, Lancaster said, was encouraging and had her excited for what was the beginning of a fruitful relationship.

"I would love to do this again next year, especially that I now know that we can plan this earlier in the school year and pick the music together," Lancaster said. "It's been very fun and it pushed us to play harder music. It's very exciting."

## FAITH NOTES

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**Brad and Rebekah Bischel** and band will present a free Worship Concert at Jubilee Christian Center, 4650 Shirley Gate Road in Fairfax, 7:30 p.m. on Friday, June 4. They have a recent CD, "The ONE We Love", and have had concerts throughout the United States and are from the Northern Virginia area. An offering will be received. 703-383-1170, or [www.jccag.org](http://www.jccag.org)

**Temple B'nai Shalom will present Jewish Rock Artist Sheldon Low** for a musical Shabbat service on June 11, at 8 p.m., at Temple B'nai Shalom, 7612 Old Ox Road, Fairfax Station. Free, no tickets required. 703-764-2901 or [Ellen@tbs-online.org](mailto:Ellen@tbs-online.org) [www.tbs-online.org](http://www.tbs-online.org).

**Vacation Bible Sensation: Galactic Blast.** 9 a.m.-12 p.m. June 28-July 2 at Cranford United Methodist Church, 9912 Old Colchester Road,

Lorton. Singing, dancing, arts and crafts, recreation, science and discovery, snack and story time for ages preschool-sixth grade. \$20 per child for the first family member, discounts for additional family members. 703-339-5382 or [www.cranfordumc.org](http://www.cranfordumc.org).

**Franconia United Methodist Church,** 6037 Franconia Road, Alexandria, welcomes the community to several events this summer. Contact 703-971-5151 or [admin@franconiaumc.org](mailto:admin@franconiaumc.org).

❖ **Phoenix Rising Meal Program Volunteers Needed.** Help prepare meals for the homeless along the Route 1 corridor 6:30 p.m. Thursday, June 24, and deliver the bags 5:30 p.m. Friday, June 25.

❖ **Vacation Bible School: Meet God on the Mountain.** 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Jul 19-23. For children age 4 to eighth grade. Learn about God's majesty and power.

❖ **Phoenix Rising Meal Program Volunteers Needed.** Help prepare meals for the homeless along the Route 1 corridor 6:30 p.m. Thursday, July 22, and deliver the bags 5:30 p.m. Friday, July 23.



W.T. Woodson signed 37 athletes to collegiate teams on May 27.

## Woodson athletes make decisions final at commitment ceremony.

BY REED S. ALBERS  
THE CONNECTION

**W**.T. Woodson honored student athletes in a college commitment signing ceremony on May 27, ending the recruitment journey for 37 Cavaliers.

Participating in nearly every sport Woodson has to offer, the 37 former college recruits, now upcoming freshman, will be going to schools such as Boston University and the University of Chicago.

For some of the athletes, the signing ceremony was the end of a long recruiting process that took months, sometimes years.

Some exceptions exist, however. Track runner Patrick Taylor was one of the few who never expected to be signing an athletic letter of intent for any sport in his career.

"This is just awesome," he said. "I never expected to be here. At the beginning of the year, I was just trying to get a letter for track."

Taylor will be joining the U.S. Military Academy at West Point's track team next year.

"I was looking at Rutgers, but then West Point contacted me," he said. "I decided to take the free education and save my parents money. I wanted to go into the military anyway."

George Mason University tennis recruit Michael Phaup said the ceremony helped shed some light on his tennis team, which he said can be overshadowed by other popular sports.

"I've worked with tennis all my life," he said. "So it feels really good to be recognized because tennis isn't a really well known sport."

While some students see college as a chance to get away from home, Phaup said he had GMU penciled in as his top choice throughout the recruiting process.

"George Mason was my No. 1 choice," he said. "I really had my hopes up about Mason. I'm not one of those guys who wants to leave home right away."

Lacrosse recruit Emily Whitman, who will attend Longwood University, said that the event helped her realize how many of her peers were going to play sports at the next level.

"It's nice to see everyone from our grade and see where everyone is going," she said. "We've had really strong sports teams this year, too."

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- ❖ Patrick Taylor - Track and Field - U.S. Military Academy at West Point
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While the ceremony honored the class of 2010, University of Massachusetts soccer recruit Sagie Madnick said that the athletes' accomplishments would help strengthen Woodson sports in the future. "Even though we were here for four years, we're setting the standard for future generations," he said.

## Rams Win, Cavs Fall

### Woodson girls lose to Langley in region lacrosse title game.

BY RICH SANDERS  
THE CONNECTION

**A** championship game day turned into an opportunity lost on Wednesday, May 26, when the Saxon boys could not hold onto a late lead in their region finals game and lost to Robinson. The loss came a couple hours after the Langley girls had earned their first-ever Northern Region title crown.

It was a grand try for the Langley boys, who were aspiring to capture their second straight region crown in the nightcap contest of a girls'-boys' region championship double-header evening at South County Secondary School in Lorton. The Saxons, leading by a couple of goals and with possession of the ball with just under three minutes remaining in regulation, ultimately lost to the Rams, 11-10, in overtime.

In the evening's first game, the Langley girls fought off a talented W.T. Woodson team on way to a 13-11 finals triumph.

Both Langley teams will next compete at the Virginia state tournament along with the Robinson boys team and the Woodson girls team. The tournament is set to begin later this week.

The Langley girls (16-3), under head coach Richard DeSomma, led Woodson in the finals game by as many as six goals in the first half and were up by five scores with 11 minutes remaining in the latter half. But the Saxons never could entirely shake the scrappy Cavaliers and could not truly exhale in relief until the game's final seconds.

But what a win it was for Langley, which two weeks earlier had captured the Liberty District crown with a title game triumph over Madison before sweeping four straight region playoff games to garner its second championship this postseason.

"It's so exciting, everyone stepped it up," said Langley midfielder Margo Swomley. "Our coaches are fantastic. Woodson was tough but we played as a team."

Swomley, a sophomore transfer student from Colorado who earned Second Team All-Region recognition this spring, had to sit out the title game as a result of a knee injury that had occurred four days earlier during tryouts for an underclassman All-American team. But the 10th grader, who made such a positive impact on her new team throughout the season, could not have been more thrilled for her Saxon teammates following the win over Woodson.

"We have great leadership on this team," she said.

Langley had four players with multiple goals in the win. Sophomore midfielder

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# CALENDAR

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**Kingstowne Library 10th Anniversary.** 12 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Family entertainment, memories, and socializing as Kingstowne Library celebrates its 10th birthday. 703-339-4610.

**Burke Farmers Market.** 8 a.m.-12 noon, at 5671 Roberts Parkway, Burke.

## SUNDAY/JUNE 6

**Springfield Days 15K/5K Race.** 7:30 a.m. at Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield. 5K \$25-\$35, 15K \$35-\$45. Register at [www.MetroRunWalkSpringfield.com](http://www.MetroRunWalkSpringfield.com).

**Springfield Days FamilyFest at Springfield Mall.** 12-9 p.m. 6710 Springfield Mall, Springfield, Games, rides, food and more with the Cole Shows Amusement Company. [www.fairfaxcounty.gov](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov).

**Gretchen Peters in Concert.** 6 p.m. Gallery W-16, Second Floor, Workhouse Art Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. Singer-songwriter Peters with pianist Barry Walsh. 703-584-2973 or [www.workhousearts.org](http://www.workhousearts.org).

**Learn to Know and Love Snakes.** 12 p.m. at Huntley Meadows Park, 3701 Lockheed Blvd., Alexandria. Age 6 and up. Stories, discussion and a walk to learn about snakes. Reserve at 703-768-2525.

**Lorton Farmers Market.** 9 a.m.-1 p.m., at 8990 Lorton Station Blvd, Lorton.

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Robinson goalie Keenan Kevan, seen here in the Concorde District finals match against Chantilly, is one of the reasons the Rams upset the Saxons in the Northern Region lacrosse finals.

## Robinson Upsets Langley

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Nicky Pritchett led the way for the Saxons with five goals. Torrie Zarella, a junior attack, scored four for the winners while Saxon players Elspeth McGarry, a senior midfielder, and Anna Helmer, a sophomore midfielder, both contributed two.

Earning the win in the net for Langley was senior goalie Mary Riley Pembroke.

Woodson, which at one point had trailed 8-2 during the latter stages of the first half, got within striking distance at 13-11 when Rachel Obregon (team-leading three goals) scored on the move from 8 yards out with 4 minutes, 44 seconds left in the second half.

Pembroke, an Honorable Mention All-Region selection this spring, could not have been happier for her teammates in winning the championship game.

"We play real well as a team," she said. "Woodson had a great game but we came out big in the end."

Woodson and head coach Meaghan O'Leary are looking forward to states.

"It is tough to loss such a big game, and to come very close to winning," said O'Leary, of the finals loss to the Saxons. "But getting to the regional finals game is a great accomplishment for our team. We will learn from our loss and get ready for the state tournament."

**THE LANGLEY BOYS** looked poised to win their second straight region title following a close-range, fastbreak goal off the left side by sophomore attack Sean Ahearn — the assist coming off a pass from teammate Jack Curry. The transition score, which came about following a nifty save on the other end of the field by Langley goalie Andrew Spivey, gave the Saxons a 10-8 lead with 4 minutes, 37 seconds remaining in the fourth quarter of their region title game versus Robinson. While the contest was still far from over at that point, the Saxons had

positioned themselves nicely for a win.

But Langley could not hold off Robinson, which in the moments following the timeout gained possession of the ball before getting a crucial goal from junior midfielder Tom Petrocci — a 12-yard bouncer shot from the left corner — with 1:59 left to get the Rams within 10-9.

Later, Petrocci (game-high five goals, four after halftime) came up big again, this time in the closing seconds of regulation when, in the most important Robinson possession of the game and perhaps the season, he moved right and threw in a shot from nine yards out for the equalizer with 18 seconds left.

The Rams, to a man, were thrilled to be heading into overtime. The Langley team, meanwhile, was a bit stunned.

"After we gave up that goal, it felt like we were losing even though it was tied," said Langley senior Ethan Bailey, a First Team All-Region attack player this spring who could not play in the title game due to a concussion he had received two days earlier in Langley's semifinals win over Westfield. "They had the momentum."

It was late in the 4-minute overtime session that Robinson scored and won the game when Rams' senior attackman Thurmond Shaw (three goals), on a straight-on shot from 10 yards out, found the top of the net, igniting a spontaneous, joyful on-field Robinson celebration.

"I thought Robinson played real well and we played well," said Bailey, who viewed the entire game from the Saxons' sideline. "We had a lead in the fourth."

Langley, the defending state champions, will be looking to defend that crown when it begins state tournament play later this week.

"This year, as opposed to last year, we're always getting teams' best efforts," said Bailey. "Teams always know they're playing the state champs and they are gunning for us harder."

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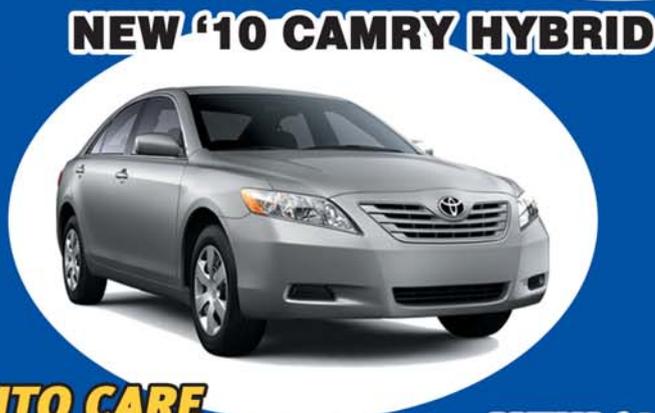
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