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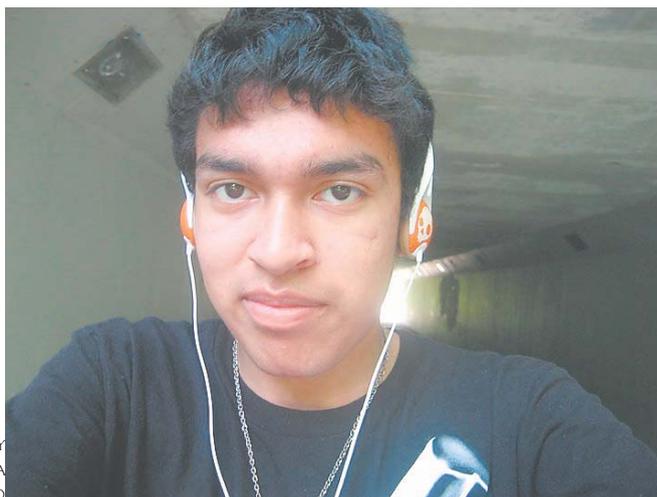
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One of the images from the Facebook memorial page: Jose Villatoro is pictured with his new headphones.



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Mourning a 'Positive Young Man'

Family, friends remember Jose Villatoro who died after being hit by a car.

BY CLAIRE BABILONIA
THE CONNECTION

Jose Antonio Villatoro was a rising senior at South Lakes High School when his life was abruptly cut short on Saturday, July 3. He was struck by an oncoming car on Reston Parkway when he attempted to cross the street a little after 9 p.m. Now friends and family recall positive memories of Jose and join together to ensure his optimistic attitude will live on.

Jose was a joyful young man who is best remembered for his friendly personality and warm greetings. He had a smile for everyone, for those he knew and even those he had just met. This kindness drew admiration from his peers, coworkers, teachers, and friends who now grieve over the loss of such a cheerful soul.

Nearly 700 members have joined the Facebook memorial page, which offers friends and family a place to recount fond memories of Jose.

"He was kind, happy, and very optimistic about life," said Mazar

Sayad, a rising senior at South Lakes and a friend to Jose since the fourth grade. "He was a great friend and never had a single enemy. It's saddening and all we can really do is look at

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— Mazar Sayad,
South Lakes High School,
11th grade

the positive things from his life."

In his time away from school, Jose worked at the Hunter's Woods Safeway in Reston to help his family with financial expenses. Even though Jose only began working in April 2009, his coworkers easily remember his smiling face and gracious attitude.

"He was highly thought of and loved here at the store," said David Schnoor, manager of the Hunter's Woods Safeway. "He will be highly missed."

Other employees recalled his willingness to help shoppers with their bags. Most could not recall a time when they had seen Jose upset or in a bad mood.

In order to ensure a proper memorial service for Jose, Safeway employees along with South Lakes High School have joined together to raise funds for

the family. Signs are posted throughout the store to encourage shoppers to donate money and take a moment to honor the memory of young Jose.

So far, more than \$8,000 has been raised for the Villatoro family.

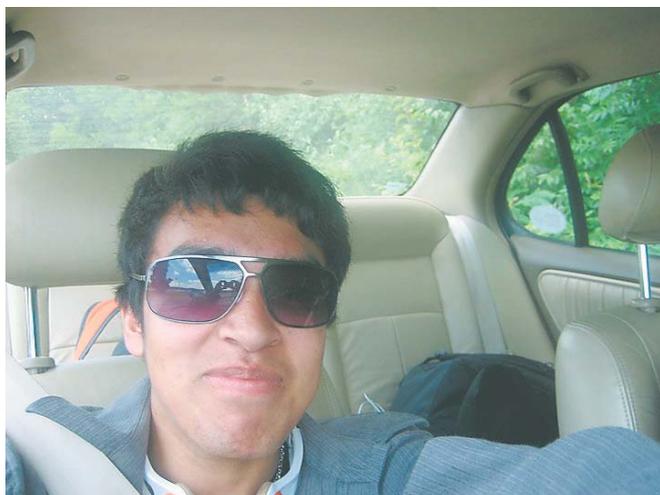
"The response has been unbelievable," says Lindsay Trout, assistant principal for the 11th grade at South Lakes. "The students, faculty and alumni have really pulled together. The South Lakes community is a very rare group. It's family at its very best."

Trout worked with Jose throughout his junior year and, like all those who knew him, she had fond memories to share.

"He had a quiet, soft smile and very genuine way of being," said Trout. "He had a very peaceful soul. He was an outstanding young man who made quite an impression in his own, quiet way."

For more information on how to donate, contact David Schnoor at the Hunter's Woods Safeway, 2304 Hunter's Woods Plaza in Reston, (703) 716-4193.

Jose Villatoro smiles in the car of a good friend, Erin McCann.



PHOTOS BY ALEX MCVEIGH/THE CONNECTION

Reston Association Board of Directors President Kathleen Driscoll McKee and Vice President Paul Thomas debate on whether to send a letter to Supervisor Cathy Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill) requesting residents of a new development just north of Reston Town Center be allowed to join the RA.

Growing In Numbers

Board of Directors requests that residents of new development join RA.

BY ALEX MCVEIGH
THE CONNECTION

In a special meeting, the Reston Association Board of Directors voted to send a letter to Supervisor Cathy Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill) to request her assistance in getting a new residential development to join the RA.

RAJ Development, LLC proposes to turn the Winwood Children's Center, located just north of Reston Town Center across New Dominion Parkway, into a multi-family residential building with first and second floor retail, a third floor child care center and residences on the top floor.

"RA is fully committed to reaching out to potential developers of resident properties to encourage them to bring their housing units into the Associa-

tion," the letter reads.

THE DECISION deals with whether the new residents would fall under the RA, the Town Center Association or be allowed to create their own association. The RA sent the letter to Hudgins because they believe that the RA is best equipped to provide services to the new residences, such as tennis and swimming facilities that the TCA lacks.

"There's not a single tennis court in Reston Town Center, we have 48 tennis courts. People from Town Center come to RA wanting to know how they can join, how they can play on our tennis courts," said Joe Leighton, board secretary.

Since the development is so close to Reston Town Center,

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The Winwood Children's Center, located at the intersection of New Dominion Parkway and Explorer Street in Reston, is the site of a proposed facility containing retail, residences and a child care center.



PHOTO BY TIMOTHY P. MUHA/THE CONNECTION

Reston founder Robert E. Simon Jr., center with the children of South Gate Community Center.

Reston Children Meet Reston Founder

Last Thursday, July 8, children at the South Gate Community Center summer camp visited Reston Museum and had an opportunity to meet Reston founder Robert E. Simon Jr. He told them the stories of his explorations throughout Europe and the vision he followed when creating the town they all call home. Simon was open to all the questions they asked, whether they wanted to know what his middle name was or what he did before he created Reston. At the end of the visit, the children received T-shirts from the museum and immediately ran to have Simon autograph their new shirts.

Allegra Reston Changes Ownership

Allegra Print, Signs & Design in Reston has been recently acquired by John Flynn. Flynn has been in the printing business since 1988, owning and operating the Chantilly location of Allegra.

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Cheerleaders Set Summer Practice Schedule

Reston Youth Cheerleaders will once again be cheering for the Reston Seahawks Football players this fall. The Reston Youth Cheer program offers girls and boys, ages 5-16, a rewarding and fun experience with an emphasis on both teamwork and individual achievement.

Registration will be Monday, Aug. 9, from 6-8 p.m., at the Langston Hughes parking lot. A mini-cheer camp/try-it takes place on this day for anyone who is interested in cheerleading and cheer review. Register at any of the practices in August.

Fall season runs Aug. 10-31, at the Langston Hughes blacktop next to the parking lot. Summer practice times are Tuesday-Thursday, 6-8 p.m.

After Labor Day, regular cheer practices begin. Individual squads will practice either Monday or Fridays, from 6-8 p.m. Full league practices are scheduled for Wednesdays, from 6-8 p.m.

For more information, including prices, e-mail rya.cheer@gmail.com.

NEWS



PHOTO BY DAVID FLORES

Jennifer S. Jones, who grew up in Reston, is returning to present her one-woman show, entitled 'Letters to Clio - Part II, Margarita' at the Capital Fringe Festival this month. Jones plays a mother in Argentina in the 1970s whose daughter is missing, kidnapped by the government.

Playwright Brings 'Letters' Home

Reston native Jennifer S. Jones will be performing her one-woman show at the Capital Fringe Festival.

BY ALEX McVEIGH
THE CONNECTION

Jennifer S. Jones spent her formative years in Reston, developing her interest in theater at the Young Actors Theater program, hosted by the Reston Community Players. This month, she returns to perform her one-woman show at the Capital Fringe Festival.

The show, entitled "Letters to Clio - Part II, Margarita" takes place in 1976 Argentina, where, as the result of a military takeover of the democratic government, people labeled political "subversives" are disappearing. Jones plays the mother of Rosa, one of the girls who has disappeared.

Jones wrote, produced and will star in the play, which she based on first-person interviews with the mothers of the missing.

"It's an amazing story of women who changed their country through peaceful protest," Jones said. "These women found each other, and every Thursday they took to the Plaza de Mayo in Buenos Aires for 3-1/2 years."

Jones plays Margarita, whose 21-year-old daughter Rosa is among the missing. Each Thursday when she converges on the Plaza de Mayo, she wears a white kerchief and carries a photo of her missing daughter.

"I was so blown away by these stories, and it's not a story you hear much of, that I thought it would make a great play," Jones said.

SHE PLAYS multiple women, because as she wrote it, she "couldn't imagine the thought of anyone else playing the women."

The show features minimal props and lighting, allowing Jones to interact more closely with the audience, creating a more intimate experience.

"Theater is an interactive art form, and we've kind of gotten away from all that," she said. "Everywhere I've performed the play, people have related."

She originally wrote the play in 2002, where it

was performed at the Philadelphia Fringe Festival. She put the project aside to go to grad school, and made some later changes.

"When I first wrote it, I just decided to write. I had never taken a playwriting class. At first it was very lyrical, almost poetic, but now it's more active, more action-based, I engage the audience more," she said. "For example, one scene describes a betrayal. The first draft just described it, but in the current one, you actually live it, moment by moment."

The play's first incarnation did draw some accolades at the Philadelphia Fringe Festival, the Philadelphia Inquirer's theater critic Douglas J. Keating called it "A skillful and effective blend of historical fact and personal reaction to a terrible personal tragedy."

"Jones dramatic monologue offers an engaging account of a woman evolving from passive domesticity to political activism, from despair over her beloved daughter's disappearance to defiance against those responsible for it," Keating wrote.

As someone who grew up in Reston, the region shaped her as both a writer and performer.

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— Jennifer S. Jones

a person telling a story around a fire," she said. "I remember it being such a wonderful thing to be able to engage people on that level, and how fun it was to use your imagination as part of it."

JONES has performed the play all over the world, but other than portraying "one heck of a Snow White when I was 10," she has never performed in Washington, D.C.

"It is important to me to perform the piece in the very place where the idea and passion for my play and women's stories

was born — Washington, D.C.," she said. "We're such children of this community, it will be nice to go out and tell my stories and bring them to where I came from."

While she is looking forward to it, she does admit "performing halfway around the world seems much easier than putting it on for family and friends."

"Letters to Clio - Part II, Margarita" will be performed at The Bedroom at Fort Fringe, 612 L St., N.W., in Washington, D.C. Showtimes are: July 15 at 6 p.m.; July 17 at 5 p.m.; July 18 at 12 noon; July 20 at 8 p.m.; July 22 at 10 p.m. and July 24 at 1:15 p.m.

More information can be found at www.letterstoclio.com or www.capitalfringe.com.

NEWS

County Sees High Office Vacancy Rates

The decision of student lending giant SLM, Corp., better known as Sallie Mae, to move its headquarters from Reston to Delaware next spring could be another blow to Fairfax County's already fragile office space market.

Though Sallie Mae has said a few hundred of its 700 local employees will remain, it is unlikely the company will need all of its 243,000 square-foot facility in the Reston Town Center.

According to the Washington Business Journal, Sallie Mae signed a 10-year lease on the building in 2009 with an option to terminate the contract on 100,000 square feet of that space in the third year. A vacancy of that size or larger could have an impact on the local commercial real estate market as a whole.

Only 13 leases were signed for office space of 100,000 square feet or more in all of Fairfax County last year, including Sallie Mae's own deal. Six of the 25 buildings in Fairfax with available office space of that size or larger at the end of last year were already located in Reston, according to the Fairfax County Economic Development Authority's 2009 real estate report.

During 2009, the demand for office space in Fairfax County was stronger than it had been in the previous three years but the market still remained one of the weakest the locality has seen over the last three decades.

According to the economic development authority's report, the amount of available office space totaled 18.5 million at the close of 2009, second only to the record high from the end of 2002, following the tech bust. The amount of previously-occupied office space for lease was 12.5 million in 2009, a new record for Fairfax County.

Roughly 44 percent of all office space available in Fairfax County can be found in Reston and Tysons Corner, the county's two largest office space markets.

While the overall vacancy rate declined for Reston over the course of 2009, it went up in Tysons Corner, the county's largest office space market. In its report, the Fairfax Economic Development Authority

Fairfax's 2009 Office Space Vacancy Rates by Community

The following information was taken from the Fairfax County Economic Development Authority's real estate report for the second half of 2009.

	Total Office Space Inventory (Sq. Ft.)	Total Office Space Available	Vacancy Rate (%)
Burke	527,834	20,859	4
Vienna	2.5 million	100,288	4
McLean/Great Falls	4.2 million	194,312	4.6
Newington/Lorton	619,095	41,984	6.8
Baileys Crossroads	3.3 million	2267,844	8.2
Herndon (Town)	5.7 million	613,317	10.7
Richmond Highway	1 million	154,179	14.8
Springfield/Franconia	4.4 million	678,445	15.5
Merrifield	10.3 million	1.7 million	16.2
Fairfax County	112.6 million	18.5 million	16.4
Reston	19.7 million	3.3 million	17
Annandale	1.8 million	317,304	17.4
Tysons Corner	26.6 million	4.7 million	17.7
Centreville	981,928	173,491	17.7
Fairfax Center/Oakton	9.7 million	1.8 million	18.2
Seven Corners	1 million	190,620	18.7
Chantilly	10.9 million	2.2 million	19.9
Dulles	9.2 million	2 million	22.5

speculated that traffic congestion related to the construction on the new Metro stations and high occupancy toll lanes in Tysons could be having a negative impact on leasing activity there.

— JULIA O'DONOGHUE

Fairfax Seeks Input On Deer

Fairfax County is soliciting public input on the locality's deer management through an online survey available at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/survey/deermanagement.htm>.

Residents are encouraged to share their thoughts on the prevalence of deer and how the county should address the issues surrounding them.

Fairfax County reports 4,000 to 5,000 automobile crashes related to deer take place in the county each year. Deer are also linked to Lyme disease, which is on the rise in Fairfax.

But last fall several residents were upset when the county government allowed bow and arrow hunters to cull the deer population in local parks. The county has also used sharp shooters from the police department in the past.

Officials will post the results of the survey on the Fairfax government website Aug. 1.

To learn more about deer management in Fairfax County, visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/living/animals/wildlife/management/deermanagement.htm> or contact Fairfax County wildlife biologist Vicky Monroe at 703-324-0240.

BULLETIN BOARD

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

THURSDAY/JULY 15

Beginning, Intermediate and Advanced English Classes. 7 p.m. at the Washington Plaza Baptist Church, 1615 Washington Plaza North, Reston. For speakers of other languages. Free. www.WashingtonPlazaChurch.com or 703-471-5225.

Herndon Farmer's Market. Every Thursday, 3:30-6:30 p.m. at the Herndon Center, 460 Elden St., Herndon. Producer-only locally grown fruits and vegetables, locally raised meats and poultry, and local foods from bread and cheese to salsa and sausage. smartmarkets.org.

SATURDAY/JULY 17

Lake Anne Farmer's Market. 8 a.m.-

12 p.m. at Lake Anne Plaza, Reston. Local produce, honey, meats and more. Live music. www.restonfarmersmarket.com.

SUNDAY/JULY 18

Beginning and Intermediate English Classes. 2 p.m. at the Washington Plaza Baptist Church, 1615 Washington Plaza North, Reston. For speakers of other languages. Free. www.WashingtonPlazaChurch.com or 703-471-5225.

Having Trouble with Cable Services? 7 p.m. at Herndon Senior Center, 873 Grace St., Herndon. County staff from the Fairfax County Department of Cable Communications and Consumer Protection can assist

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TUESDAY/JULY 20

Women in Business Luncheon. 11:30 a.m. at Morton's The Steakhouse, Reston Town Center, 11956 Market St., Reston. The networking luncheon series celebrates women in the Northern Virginia business community. This event will honor Dr. Grace Keenan of Nova Medical Group. \$45 per person. Contact Kate Leonard at 703-796-0128 or cm.mre@mortons.com.

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From Readers on School Board and Staff

Readers cite many examples: Community often feels shut out of process on key issues.

Many readers wrote in response to last week's editorial, "School Board Could Learn to Share." Along with numerous letters about the board vote to close Clifton Elementary, readers added to the list of school board and school staff decisions that left various members of the community feeling left out, confused and often angry.

About a year ago, frustrated leaders of multiple advocacy groups formed the Fairfax Education Coalition www.fairfaxeducationcoalition.org, to address what they call a "disturbing trend: lack of transparency and accountability on the part of FCPS, no matter what the issue."

It isn't that the school board was necessarily wrong on all these issues.

EDITORIALS

But consistently, parents and others who are advocating for their communities, schools and interests feel that most members of the school board and some staff are not interested in community input, or in sharing the basis of their decisions.

Here are a few other concerns (in the words of readers for the most part):

- ❖ The decision to close Graham Road Elementary, moving to another building that was beyond walking distance for the community, creating barriers to what has been excellent community and parental involvement.

- ❖ The decision to buy the Gatehouse II building, an abuse of public trust that was vetoed by the Board of Supervisors. (Watch for a possible lease agreement that might circumvent current restrictions.)

- ❖ The decision to expand Langley High School even though South Lakes High School had capacity for those Reston students who go to Langley.

- ❖ The decision to forcibly redistrict Fox Mill Estates and Floris students from Oakton into South Lakes. This was done only after the Langley expansion was approved.

- ❖ Undermining efforts to have later high school start times by fanning the fears that the change would force the elimination of many sports and activities.

- ❖ "This is not just about one issue; rather there is a decidedly consistent pattern on the part of FCPS of shutting out the public in making decisions about our public schools."

Serving on the school board requires a massive commitment of time and effort for virtually no pay. No one makes this commitment without having the best interest of the schools as a whole at heart. But it is clearly time for some soul searching on the board about listening and responding to community concerns.

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To celebrate, we plan to publish the Pet Connection, including your family's pets, publishing July 28, with a submission deadline of July 23.

We invite photos of your pets with you, your children or with whole family. We'll prefer photos that picture the pets with their humans.

We also invite children's artwork of their pets.

We also welcome short stories about your pet or your experiences with animals. Tell us a funny story, or explain how your pet helped you or a member of your family through a tough time. Tell us about how you came to adopt or rescue your pet. Tell us how your favorite places to go with your pet, or how you solved a particular challenge concerning your pet.

We haven't forgotten horses, fish, birds, reptiles and amphibians, guinea pigs, hamsters, and other more unusual pets — we hope for photos about them all.

Be sure to identify the full names of everyone pictured in photos, include information such as breed and age of the pet and children pictured, and (very important) the community where you live. Please be sure to include address and phone number to be used for verification purposes only.

We prefer digital submissions. Please send in submissions as soon as possible, but at least before July 23. E-mail to PhotoR@connectionnewspapers.com, and write "Pets" in the subject line. You can mail submissions to the Pet Connection, 1606 King St., Alexandria, VA 22314.

A Seat at the Table - Part Two

BY JACK KENNY
PAST PRESIDENT, REPUBLICAN CLUB
OF GREATER RESTON

Political Brinkmanship Hog wash — a red herring! Our Del. Ken Plum (D-36) ["Political Brinkmanship," Reston Connection, July 7-13, 2010] jumps to using a "red flag" word in making an argument. The fact is that the citizens of the Commonwealth need representation and are not getting it — yet we are paying the "tax."

Two likely scenarios should be considered: one, this has been an issue over the past 30 years or so may be even longer on the Commonwealth's representation on the Washington Metropolitan Area Transportation Authority

(WMATA) board; or two, our recently elected governor discovered that additional action was needed to get his constituents adequate representation. In this case, the timing was propitious, a rare opportunity to exact some long needed leverage.

In scenario one, our local delegate may have admittedly spent 30 years trying to gain representation for his constituency not a particularly noteworthy performance in delivering the bacon. In the other case, authorities are dangerous animals as we have recently seen. The ability to force government action not necessarily in the best interests of the taxpayers and assume taxing authority has been found by the courts not to be in accordance with the

constitution.

As was suggested in Part One, Virginia constituents are paying far more for their than Metro services than required due to the reluctance of other participating governing units involved in the authority to reciprocate. The argument that the state pays less than the local jurisdictions may be laid to rest at the feet of our representatives in the General Assembly. Democrats want campaign issues not solutions. Their campaign solution is raise taxes. We have had enough of that.

Voting participation in authorities is a favorite pastime activity. Politicians are able to avoid the responsibility and accountability for actions by the authority. It enables politicians to walk away from the

accountability for actions taken in their names.

Accountability should be avoided.

Perhaps we should get the contractor to construct special observing platforms at the Wiehle Avenue Metro Rail station and at an overlook on the Tysons Corner Metro construction site where Del. Plum can replay his youth with real live Tonka Toys.

The Commonwealth's Secretary of Transportation may be playing political blackmail — so what? We have ample examples of that right across the Potomac River at the national level. If it is acceptable action across the river, two should be able to play the game.

I say again, stick it to them, governor. We need accountability.

OPINION

Transportation Progress Reported

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

Gov. Bob McDonnell (R) ran for office as the only candidate with a "transportation plan," a multi-page, single-spaced document that was good for waving to political crowds but which critics who read its content said had little substance. A report from the governor's office last month on the progress of implementing his transportation plan raises anew the question of whether this plan will do anything to relieve traffic congestion.

The first mentioned accomplishment of the governor's new plan was the reopening of 19 rest stops, now called "safety rest areas," by April 15. While this action draws a contrast with his predecessor, Gov. Tim Kaine (D), who had closed some rest stops as part of a \$4.2 billion budget reduction, the report of the reopening was accompanied by an announcement that "VDOT will soon announce a creative plan to implement innovative concepts that will reduce the costs of operating and maintaining all of Virginia's safety rest areas." Apparently, there is some recognition of the questionable use of highway funds for rest stops when there is so little money to go around, but why the closed stops were not opened under the "creative approach" is not mentioned. The alternative is likely to be a "pay as you go" plan.

The governor reported on a measure passed by the General Assembly "initiated at my request ... to reduce congestion on rural sections of the Commonwealth's interstates" by increasing the speed limit to 70 miles per hour "where feasible." VDOT is currently studying where the increases will occur. It is unlikely that a study will conclude that raising the speed limit on a congested road as being feasible, and raising the speed limit to less than the prevailing speed of traffic on uncongested roads is not likely to make much difference. The first area announced for the higher speed limit is Interstate 295 south of Richmond, hardly an area known for heavy traffic.

A popular promise among politicians who suggest that traffic congestion can be relieved without spend-

ing any money is to propose an audit of VDOT. The governor reports that there are currently three audits underway of VDOT: one by the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission; one by Cherry, Bakaert and Holland, LLP; and the final one by KPMG. That will make seven audits in five years by my count with no recommendations forthcoming that will add a single mile of road, save any significant amount of money, or add a transportation alternative.

The governor in one sentence in his press release acknowledged that his bill to devote 80 percent of all "offshore energy exploration royalties" to transportation passed the legislature, but there was no mention of when or if that will ever happen. The only part of his report that produces any revenue is a request to the federal government to add tolls to Interstate 95 at the North Carolina border. Projected revenue from the tolls is estimated to be \$50 million toward the \$1 billion needed annually.

The governor promises that "in the coming weeks the Secretary [of Transportation] will be meeting with agencies, legislators, business groups and other stakeholders to assemble a set of initiatives to dramatically improve transportation." There was no mention of the other elements of his campaign plan including the sale of ABC stores. Sounds like he is trying now to figure out what to do.

Impacting on transportation issues in the state is the governor's announcement in a separate press release of his "business-friendly proclamation to attract large trucking firms to title and register fleets in Virginia." Under this plan, trucks that operate in interstate commerce under federal requirements for annual safety inspection will not be inspected for safety in Virginia. His press release states that "many large trucking firms meet safety requirements through a self-inspection program." Will this help move traffic in Virginia or make our streets safer?

In his usual affable style, the governor ends his report by expressing appreciation for the "hard work many of you have put into achieving these successes." Hopefully, the standard for success will be raised in the future, for I cannot see where anyone's commute is any easier as a result of this first round of "successes."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Map Recommended

To the Editor:

On the front page of this week's Reston Connection (July 7-13), a photo caption says a mosaic pic-

ture is to be installed on the "Glade Road" underpass. On page 3, the same term is used in the first paragraph of the accompanying story. And on page 9, the farmers market is said to be located "at the intersection of Reston Parkway and Sunset Valley Road."

The problem? On the Reston Association's official map of the community, there is no "Glade Road" and no "Sunset Valley Road." There is a "Glade Drive" and a "Sunset Hills Road." Can you get

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Joey Truncale as Renn and Evi Dobbs as Ariel play the lead roles in the Herndon High School's summer production of a musical 'Footloose.'

'Footloose' at Herndon High

Last summer, Herndon High School drama boosters decided to begin the tradition of hosting a summer theater that would include students in grades seven through graduating seniors and invite students from all area schools to try out. Last year, students from six area schools performed the musical "Grease" and filled the auditorium.

This year, they will be performing the musical "Footloose." The male lead is Joey Truncale, the 2010 recipient of the HHS graduating class faculty award and a

Cappies nominee. The participants are from five area schools: Herndon High, South Lakes High, Westfield High, Herndon Middle and Langston Hughes Middle schools. The cast will be performing during intermission at Friday Night Live in Herndon on Friday, July 16.

"Footloose" performances will be Thursday, July 29; Friday, July 30; and Saturday, July 31; at 7:30 p.m. at the Herndon High School auditorium. Tickets can be purchased at the door or online at herndonhighschool.org. All tickets are \$10.

MILITARY NOTES

U.S. Army Captain Kenneth A. Ward has returned from his second tour of duty in Afghanistan. While there, Ward earned a Bronze Star for meritorious command in wartime, as well as an Air Medal for meritorious flying in combat. He is assigned to the 82nd Aviation Brigade, based at Ft. Bragg, N.C. Ward is married to Valerie Mahr Ward, formerly of Chantilly, and is the son of Jonathan and Jane Ward of Reston and Cindy and Alvin Glatkowski of Duck, N.C.

Air Force Airman **Javier Beltran** graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. Beltran completed

training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills. He is the son of Roxey Beltran of Winterthur Lane in Reston.

Air Force Airman Desiree E. Bohorques graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. She is the daughter of Timothy Bohorques of Rickwood Drive, Pensacola, Fla., and niece of Bonnie Cullen of Crescent Park Drive, Reston. Bohorques is a 2009 graduate of West Florida High School, Pensacola.

CALENDAR

Send announcements to hernton@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Thursday for the following week's paper. Photos/artwork encouraged. For additional listings, visit www.connectionnewspapers.com.

THURSDAY/JULY 15

Blood Drive. 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at Northwest Federal Credit Union, 200 Spring St., Herndon. www.nwfcu.org/donate.

Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons. 8 p.m. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1624 Trap Road, Vienna. \$45 in-house, \$25 lawn. 877-

WOLFFTRAP or www.wolftrap.org.
Wolftrap Children's Theatre in the Woods. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1624 Trap Road, Vienna. 10 a.m. Synetic Family Theater: Cowardly Christopher Finds His Courage, 11:15 a.m. Steve Roslonek: Stevesongs. Free workshops follow the 10 a.m. performance; reservations required at 703-255-1824. \$8-\$10. www.wolftrap.org.
The Fairfax Symphony Orchestra's Dixieland Band. 7:30 p.m. Frying Pan Farm Park, 2709 West Ox Road, Herndon. Free. 703-324-7469 or www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performance.

Theatre-in-the-Woods Kicks Off Season

Shows change weekly, two programs per morning.

BY DONNA MANZ

THE CONNECTION

Tucked away in the woods of Wolf Trap is a stage and seating surrounded by large mature shade trees. A special concert setting for a special audience — children. On June 29, Wolf Trap's aptly-named Children's Theatre-in-the-Woods kicked off the summer season with Dinorock and the Great Dinosaur Mystery and Hayes Greenfield's Jazz-A-Ma-Tazz. With clear blue skies the first full week, nature could not have served up a more perfect ambience.

Each weekday morning features two performances by different artists who appear at the same time Tuesday through Saturday. From June 29-July 3, Dinorock played and sang and acted out a dinosaur skit in the 10 a.m. slot, while Jazz-A-Ma-Tazz pulled youngsters into the world of jazz, inviting them onstage to close out the act.

SONGS like "Extinction Stinks" gently made the point of the Great Dinosaur Mystery, which was, "protect the earth."

Marty Nau Quartet. 7 p.m. at Lake Anne Plaza, Reston. Jazz bebop. www.mseproductions.com.
OK Book Discussion. 7 p.m. Oakton Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. East of Eden by John Steinbeck. Adults. 703-242-4020.
ESL Beginners. 10 a.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Practice English in a group with a volunteer facilitator. Adults. 703-689-2700.
Preschool Storytime. 10:30 a.m. Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Storytime and activities. Age 3-5 with adult. 703-689-2700.
America's Got Talent finalist Drew Stevyns. 9 p.m. Paolo's, Reston Town Center, 11900 Market St., Reston. 703-318-8920 or www.paolosristorante.com.

FRIDAY/JULY 16

NSO at Wolf Trap: West Side Story & More. 8:15 p.m. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1624 Trap Road, Vienna. Emil de Cou, conductor, with Chaikovsky, Prokofiev, Gounod and Bernstein. Tickets \$20-\$52. 877-WOLFFTRAP or www.wolftrap.org.

SATURDAY/JULY 17

Wolftrap Children's Theatre in the Woods. Wolf Trap Foundation for

"It was really cool," said 6-year-old William Norberg of the Great Dinosaur Mystery. "I liked when we found out what the mystery was."

William had a recommendation for protecting the environment, too. "Don't throw garbage on the floor. Throw it in the garbage can," he said.

Lucy Pekatos came all the way from Greece with her daughter Alexandra for Saturday's show. OK, she actually came to spend a month with her mother in Fairfax with her family, but bringing Alexandra to Wolf Trap was a treat outside the typical for Pekatos.

"Just being outside makes this special," Pekatos said. "Coming from a city, just being in this natural environment ... it's a perfect place to send the message to protect the environment."

Out of three dinosaur eggshells hatched three blue puppet triceratops, bringing howls of laughter from the younger children in the audience. A coded message, "learn from the past," was written inside the shells.

From prehistoric creature to prehistoric creature came mysterious "messages." Dr. Vander Plastercaster, pretend-museum scientist, and Det. Kafootsie de-

scribing, in song, how a scientist is a detective, too.

Five-and-6-year-olds had little trouble understanding the message of the Great Dinosaur Mystery, and the youngest ones appeared to be engaged by the puppetry and song. "It was very cool," said Alexandra, the little girl from Greece. "I liked it when they found the eggs and made together the whole story. Put trash in the right place because an animal can eat

the Performing Arts, 1624 Trap Road, Vienna. 10 a.m. Synetic Family Theater: Cowardly Christopher Finds His Courage, 11:15 a.m. Steve Roslonek: Stevesongs. Free workshops follow the 10 a.m. performance; reservations required at 703-255-1824. \$8-\$10. www.wolftrap.org.
Caribbean Spice and Jambulay. 7:30 p.m. at the Reston Town Center, 1760 Reston Parkway, Reston. Reggae, calypso and Afro-beat. www.restontowncenter.com.
Author Trevor Owens. 2 p.m. at Reston Museum, 1639 Washington Plaza, Reston. Author book signing of "Fairfax County." www.restonmuseum.org.
Neighborhood Plant Clinic. 10 a.m. Oakton Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. The Fairfax County Master Gardeners Association gives tips and strategies. 703-242-4020.
NSO at Wolf Trap: Idina Menzel & Marvin Hamlisch. 8:15 p.m. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1624 Trap Road, Vienna. Tickets \$20-\$52. 877-WOLFFTRAP or www.wolftrap.org.
Bobbe Shore Jazz Combo. 8:30 p.m. at the Hyatt Reston Town Center, 1800 Presidents St., Reston. Every Saturday through Oct. 703-925-8250.
The Young at Heart Show. 7:30 p.m. at Café Montmartre, 1625 Washington Plaza North, Lake Anne, Reston. Dance to music from the 1930s-1980s. 703-904-8080.

the trash and get hurt." Charlie Logman, 6, whose family moved to Vienna from Connecticut two weeks ago, also said that "you shouldn't throw stuff where it doesn't belong."

Many families stayed for the second show, Jazz-A-Ma-Tazz, and Greenfield, with his sax and rugged earthy voice, interacted congenially with the children in the audience. Jazz, said Greenfield, is nourishment for the soul.



PHOTOS BY DONNA MANZ/THE CONNECTION

Seating in the shaded, rustic Children's Theatre-in-the-Woods usually fills up. Advance purchase is recommended, although tickets may be bought at meadow kiosk, as well.

Theatre-in-the-Woods at a Glance

Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. Two performances by different artists each morning; programs run Tuesday through Saturday and change weekly.

Tickets: \$8 for one show; \$10 for both shows on the same day. No charge for children under age three. Tickets for performances may be purchased at the meadow kiosk or in advance by phone at 877-wolftrap or online at www.wolftrap.org.

Performance series runs through Aug. 14. See www.wolftrap.org for calendar.

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Bobbe Shore Jazz Combo performs at the Market Street Bar & Grill in the Hyatt at Reston Town Center, every Saturday from 8:30 p.m. - 12:30 a.m.

French Classics Cooking Class. 10 a.m. at Mon Ami Gabi, Reston Town Center, 11900 Market St., Reston. Executive Chef Martin Ticar with vichyssoise, grilled lamb T-bones with ratatouille & salsa verde and more. \$50. Register at 703-707-0233. www.monamigabi.com

Rocknoceros. 11-11:45 a.m. Reston Town Square Park, 11900 Market St., Reston. Songs by Coach Cotton, Williebob and Boogie Woogie Bernie.



PHOTOS BY DONNA MANZ/THE CONNECTION

Michael and Andrea Logman and their children David and Charlie moved to Vienna two weeks ago and put Wolf Trap on the top of their to-do list. Michael Logman was impressed by the environment and atmosphere of the Theatre-in-the-Woods.

When invited onstage, the children couldn't wait. Or, maybe, it was the parents who couldn't wait. In either case, many stars were born during Jazz-A-Ma-Tazz.

"I would definitely come back," said William Norberg's mother, June. "I love the trees, the shade, the length of the program, the interaction with the audience and the music."

"It's perfect for this age group."

DINOSAURS, said Dr. Vander Plastercaster, ruled the earth for millions of years. "It's now our turn, so don't blow it."

Perennial performance favorites Robbie Schaefer singing Songs for Kids Like Us, Steve Roslonek with SteveSongs and Rocknoceros Paint-

ing the Town PINK! return in what are usually week-long sold-out shows. Wolf Trap's Children's Theatre-in-the-Woods calendar is at www.wolftrap.org. Summer programming runs through Aug. 14. Tickets are \$8 for one show or \$10 for both shows on the same day. No charge for children under age three. Tickets for performances may be purchased at the meadow kiosk or in advance by phone at 877-wolftrap or online at www.wolftrap.org.

Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts is located at 1551 Trap Road off Beulah and Old Courthouse roads in Vienna. Follow the downhill path through the meadow to the Theatre-in-the-

Town Center Pavilion, 11900 Market St., Reston. Music for kids. Free. www.restontowncenter.com.

TUESDAY/JULY 20

Paul Taylor Dance Company. 8:30 p.m. at Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. \$38 in-house, \$10 lawn. 703-938-2404 or www.wolftrap.org.
Wolftrap Children's Theatre in the Woods. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1624 Trap Road, Vienna. 10 a.m. Diane Macklin: Animal Tail Tales, 11:15 a.m. Music with the Milkshake Trio. Free workshops follow the 10 a.m. performance; reservations required at 703-255-1824. \$8-\$10. www.wolftrap.org.
Blue Sky Puppet Theater. 10 a.m. Frying Pan Farm Park, 2709 West Ox Road, Herndon. Puppets. Free. 703-324-7469 or www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performance.
Brain Benders. 2:30 p.m. Oakton Library, 10304 Lynnhaven Place, Oakton. See everyday objects through scientific eyes. Age 6-12. 703-242-4020.
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MONDAY/JULY 19
The Go-Go's. 8 p.m. at Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1645 Trap Road, Vienna. \$54-\$471. 703-938-2404 or www.wolftrap.org.
Mr. Knick Knack Children's Performance. 10:30 a.m. Reston

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NEWS



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Artist Marie Cheek draws a caricature of Kristine Vivanco, 9. The children's section featured rides, arts and crafts, face-painting, bubble and other activities.

Festival Attracts Thousands

Despite brief Saturday showers, thousands celebrate Reston's 46th birthday at Reston Town Center.

BY ALEX McVEIGH
THE CONNECTION

The Reston Festival weathered a Saturday morning storm to provide the community with two days of live entertainment last weekend. The Reston Festival was June 10 and 11, at Reston Town Center, and it featured music, live performances, rides, games and plenty of fun.

A morning rain shower threatened to interrupt the usual flow of things Saturday morning, as vendors arrived to find out that the chalk that marked their allotted spaces had been washed away.

"The vendors showed up ready to check into their booths, but the chalk that marked them was now non-existent," said Ashleigh Soloff vice-chair of the festival, and a special events coordinator for the Reston Association. "It was challenging in that regard, we eventually had to walk each of them to their booths."

As the sky cleared Saturday afternoon, the sun brought with it



Members of Cirque-tacular perform on the Pavilion Stage July 11 at the Reston Festival. There was entertainment on three stages throughout the two-day Reston Festival.

the crowds, as people packed the town center from all angles.

"It went great, especially considering the chaos we had Saturday morning," said Jim Traylor, chair of the festival. "We had an excellent crowd, and the staff from the

Reston Association and Reston Community Center were terrific to work with. They did some fantastic programming for the stages, as well as organizing the volunteers and handling logistics."

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NEWS

Reston Tradition Continues

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The pavilion stage featured Tae Kwon Do, a hula hoop demonstration, a few rounds of Bingo and several bands throughout the weekend.

Two other stages, one at the corner of Market and Explorer streets and one near the corner of Freedom and Fountain drives provided live music as well.

"There was really something for everyone, it was almost hard to fit it all in," said Erin Ridge, who came with her husband and children. "The kids could have stayed in the children's area all day, but we wanted to take a look at everything else the festival offered."

Ha Brock, a community outreach specialist with the Reston Association was in charge of what Traylor called "an incredible network of volunteers." The more than 150 volunteers included students, families and community leaders among others.

"They're amazing, we couldn't have a festival without them," Brock said. "This is my biggest event of the summer, and they make my job a lot easier. It's a fun, productive weekend for them, and it's always nice to hear 'I'll be back next year' as they're leaving."

This year's big addition was the Beer Garden, which featured craft brews from Bell's Brewery in Michigan. It also featured wines



Anthony Mimikos, 3, pores over a collection of stuffed lizards at one of the displays at the Reston Festival. The two-day event featured rides, exhibits and live entertainment throughout Reston Town Center.

from the South African Arabella Winery.

"We were sort of hesitant to reintroduce the Beer Garden, but it went really well, and we'll almost certainly do it again based on the demand," Traylor said.

The addition of the Beer Garden meant an additional 50 volunteers who stayed until 10 p.m. on Saturday, since the pavilion stage was open until then.

Though the festival officially closed at 7 p.m., Soloff and others were at Reston Town Center cleaning up

until after 1 a.m. Monday morning. Though she said her favorite part is the "pre-planning, making sure everyone knows the specifics and laying out the facilities," Soloff also enjoys the dedication of the volunteers who spend their time helping to put the festival on.

"They have full-time jobs and/or families, but they spend evenings and weekends getting the festival together," she said. "It's nice to work with a group that is so dedicated to putting the festival on for their community."



Farewell Wave at Armstrong Elementary

The entire staff of Armstrong Elementary School came out to the bus loop at dismissal time Thursday, June 18 for the traditional end-of-school farewell wave to the students as the buses pull out.

SCHOOL NOTES

Thomas Phillips has been named to the spring 2010 dean's list at High Point University in High Point, North Carolina. He is a junior majoring in Finance and a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. He is a life-long resident of Reston and a 2008 graduate of Bishop O'Connell High

School.

Melissa Tran of Reston has been named to the spring 2010 dean's list at Providence College of Providence, R.I.

Francesca Caroline Gunn of Reston has received a bachelor of

arts degree from Bard College of Annandale-on-Hudson, N.Y.

Michael Rabinowitz of Reston has been named to the spring 2010 dean's list at University of the Sciences in Philadelphia, Pa. Rabinowitz is a doctor of pharmacy student.

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Swimming alone? Well not exactly, as Emily Landeryou of Glade far outdistances her competition in the Girls 9-10 Freestyle. Emily has broken five separate records this season and has the fastest times in all of RSTA in her age category for freestyle, backstroke, butterfly and breaststroke.

Rain Can't Stop RSTA Swimmers

Saturday morning, July 10 brought long sought rain to Northern Virginia. But on a day more suited to ducks than people, RSTA swimmers continued to do what they do best — swim.

"We get wet anyway, so what does the rain matter?" was the prevailing sentiment from the hundreds of swimmers who showed up for Saturday's meet.

And swim they did. In spite of the inclement weather, two more pool records were broken. In the boys' 15-18, 50-meter backstroke, Christian Matthews of Newbridge broke his old record of 30.35 with a new time of 30.32. Sophia Landeryou of Glade smashed the girls' 8- and-under 25-freestyle record with a time of 17.86, easily surpassing the old record of 19.00 set by MacKenzie Evans back in 2004.

Scores and summaries of Saturday's meets:

❖ Lake Audubon Barracudas 359, Autumnwood Piranhas 211 - For Lake Audubon, double event winners were Alissa Avilov, Winston Evans, Sabrina Groves, John Hughes and Michael McHugh. For Autumnwood, double event winners were Abby Freeman, Megan Overton and Max B. Wilson.

❖ Lake Newport Lightning 504, Glade Gators, 460 - For Lake Newport, triple event winners were Conor McLaughlin and Andrew Shedlock. Double event winners were Kevin Baldwin, Jack Edgmond, Jessica Keys, Jimmy Keys, Ryan McLaughlin, Riley O'Donovan, Anna Redican, Katie Storch, Sally Storch, Christian Vagonis and Matthew Williams.

Glade triple event winners were Alec Brown and Emily Landeryou. Double event winners were



Devia McPherson of the Glade Gator swim team competes in the girls' 11-12 butterfly competition last Saturday.



Emmalynn Barlow of Glade competes in the girls' 11-12 butterfly competition last Saturday.

Hannah Becker, Katheryn Becker, Stefanie Brown, Andrew Draganov, Tyler Ellis, Sophia Landeryou, Monica Lannen and Ryan Tiller.

❖ Newbridge Dolphins 624, Lake Anne Stingrays 452 - For Newbridge, triple event winners were Celia Compton, Emma Grossback, Megan Slater, Grant Tremaine and Jade Wang. Double event winners were John Baldwin, Maura Burke, Shannon Burke, Annie Carro, Martha Carro, Eric Compton, Christian Kalinowski, Juliet Masschelin, Christian Matthews, James R. Meikle, Andrew Miner, William Miner, Abby D. Panneck, Joseph Sgambati and

Julia Springfield.

❖ For Lake Anne, triple event winners were Devin Conley and Tope Oladimeji. Double event winners were Arianna Barkhordari, Sarah Davidson, Tamar Dayian, Patrick Fouse, Colin Hagerup, Sophie Hartmann and Greg Mayo.

❖ North Hill Hurricanes 441, Hunters Woods Blue Marlins 358 - For North Hills, double event winners were Michelle Boone, Courtner Clark, Anna Dlott, Max Kwartin, Joseph Livaudais, Anna Seitz, Katherine Swarts, Rachel Swarts and Grace Tierney. For Hunters Woods double event winners were Philip Pan, Carolyn Qu, Michael Qu and Sean Shada.

SPORTS ROUNDUPS



The 13-under Nationals baseball team, made up of players from Reston and Herndon, recently won the Prep Division of the Northern Fairfax County Babe Ruth league. On the front row, left to right: Terry Petersen, Michael McDermott, Brian Linovitz, Andrew Hoskins, Richard Holt, and Coach Andy Hoskins. Back Row: Manager Michael Herd, George Walter, Christian Vagonis, Alex Herd, Matt Crichton, Jarad Virnig, Nick Nagy, and Coach Brett Petersen

Registration if currently open for Reston Youth Fall Football and Cheerleading Season. Visit www.restonseahawks.org. Upcoming Events: July 11, Sweat Camp, at Langston Hughes, 10 a.m. start time; July 19-23, RYA Football Camp, at Langston Hughes, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. all week; Aug. 9- first day of practice. Note: from July 19 through Aug. 7, customers at Modell's in Reston (Olaza America) will receive 15 percent off total purchase; proceeds to benefit Reston Youth. See website for more details.

Fall baseball team try-outs for the Virginia Renegades 13U team will take this Friday, July 17 at 10:30 a.m. and July 24 at 3:30 p.m. at South Lakes High School in Reston. Interested candidates should complete the 13U Prospect Form located on the Renegade website at www.eteamz.com/renegadebaseball. All questions about the 13U team should be directed to Scott Ward at wardscottm@gmail.com or 856-404-3842.

The Nationals of the 13U Prep Division of Northern Fairfax County Babe Ruth baseball won both the regular season title as well as the post-season playoffs this summer, finishing with a 14-5-1 record and a nine-game winning streak. The team is composed of players from the Herndon and Reston areas of Fairfax County.

On Monday, June 21, the Nationals completed a playoff sweep with their third consecu-

tive come-from-behind victory, a tight 4-2 win in seven innings over the Rangers. Starting pitcher Nick Nagy completed 4-1/3 innings and struck out eight batters while giving up just one run. Terry Petersen pitched the final 2-2/3 innings, getting six strikeouts of his own while also giving up just one run.

A couple of key sequences at the plate turned out to be crucial for the Nats' victory. Richard Holt led off the bottom of the fourth inning with a walk — the Nationals' first base runner — and wound up scoring the Nationals' first run on a sharp line-drive single by Petersen. Two batters later, with two outs and two strikes, Alex Herd fouled off two pitches to stay alive, then beat out a grounder to shortstop. With the Nationals' first run on a sharp line-drive single by Petersen. Two batters later, with two outs and two strikes, Alex Herd fouled off two pitches to stay alive, then beat out a grounder to shortstop. With the Nationals' first run on a sharp line-drive single by Petersen, Richard scored when Andrew Hoskins put the ball into play to the right side of the infield, giving the Nationals a big insurance run. Even though the Rangers scored once more in the top of the seventh, Petersen got two strikeouts, and then cleanly fielded a comebacker to the mound before throwing over to Herd at first for the final out, making the Nationals the spring 2010 champions.

In the bottom of the sixth, Holt once again led off the inning, this time with a single to right-center field. After advancing to third on another single by Petersen, Richard scored when Andrew Hoskins put the ball into play to the right side of the infield, giving the Nationals a big insurance run. Even though the Rangers scored once more in the top of the seventh, Petersen got two strikeouts, and then cleanly fielded a comebacker to the mound before throwing over to Herd at first for the final out, making the Nationals the spring 2010 champions.

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Dr. Theodore Francis Grant, 80, Dies

Dr. Theodore Francis Grant, 80, of St. Leonard, Md. died Saturday, July 10, of coronary disease.

Grant was born May 18, 1930 in Madrid, Spain to American parents Theodore F Grant Sr. and Helen Fisher Grant (née MacDonald). At the age of 3, his parents returned to the United States with him where he was raised in Purchase, N.Y. with his two older sisters Barbara Winslow Grant and Elizabeth Grant. He graduated Dartmouth College in 1952, attended Army Language School at Monterey where he became fluent in Chinese, served in the U.S. Army during the Korean conflict, received his masters at the New School for Social Research in 1960 and received his doctorate in psychology from University of North Carolina in 1964.



His first marriage to Nancy Morris Grant of Reston produced six children, two of whom preceded him in death, and the marriage ended in divorce. His widow, Dr. Deborah Mathews

resides in St. Leonard at the family home. Together they nursed and aided feral cats and possums.

His successful psychology practice was maintained in McLean and Washington, D.C. for more than 35 years. Theodore Francis Grant relished his many decades of volunteer service with the veterans of the U.S. Army. He delighted in the hometown friendliness of the people of Calvert County. Until his death he was still teaching at The College of Southern Maryland as a professor of sociology and psychology.

Theodore Francis Grant is survived by four children, Winslow

Grant Wacker (Brad) of Reston, Lauren K Haggerty (Edward) of Rehoboth, Del., Christopher M. Grant (Pamela) of Oakton, and Thomas C. Grant of Reston; three grandchildren, William Grant Wacker, Nikolai Morse and Allison Rose Grant; one sister Barbara Winslow Grant; nephews Arthur O. Sulzberger and David Christy; nieces Karen A Lax and Sarah Christy.

Visitation for the family will be Saturday, July 17, at 10 a.m., at the church, followed by the public viewing at 11 a.m. The Christian Funeral Service will be at 12 noon, at Middleton St. Peters Church in Lusby, Md. It will be followed by a reception at the church hall. In lieu of flowers the family requests any remembrances may be made to The Humane Society of Charles County in Waldorf, Md. as one choice and the second choice is the Army War College Foundation, Inc. 122 Forbes Ave., Carlisle, PA 17013-5248.

RA Writes Letter to Hudgins

FROM PAGE 3

the board was concerned that the TCA might claim jurisdiction over the new facility.

"I don't believe that there's a residential association in Town Center that can offer the services and amenities we can," said board CEO Milton Matthews. "I don't want us to stand on the sideline ... if there's a residential development that's about to happen and they are willing to talk to us, I'm more than willing to receive them."

Other board members, such as Vice President Paul Thomas, were concerned that accepting such a development would create a "patchwork quilt" of properties that are part of the Reston Association, making services more difficult.

"I think we would have a challenging time providing good services to people [in that area], we already have a difficult time providing excellent services to those people on the Polo Fields, and I think we would have a similar disconnect to the people that are in that area," Thomas said. "Personally, I

would be happy ceding that entire area, and saying we suggest specifically that they join Town Center Association. ... I think it would be excellent if that entire urban area that is Town Center is TCA, and everything else is RA."

PRESIDENT Kathleen Driscoll McKee disagreed that the RA would not be able to provide the services.

"If you're telling me that we can't do a good job, then I don't want to deliver a half-baked service," she said. "That's not OK with me. But, I don't believe that it's the issue, and I don't think that being a member of Town Center Association provides the same level of service that we do. I've had people approach me in the last two weeks asking me about an individual membership in RA, and they live in Town Center. I think we can provide them service."

Several board members proposed amending the language of the letter requesting that no more than two associations (RA and TCA) be allowed, to prevent the patchwork, but the committee voted 6-3 to send the letter to Hudgins as originally composed.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

FROM PAGE 7

your writers — or your editors, if there are any — a few maps so they can get their geography straight?

Sid Hurlburt
Reston

Overcrowding Underestimated

To the Editor:

Wade Gilley ["Overstating the Overcrowding," Reston Connection, July 7-13, 2010] takes exception to my statement that Reston

schools will be overcrowded in the next five years. This is not my personal opinion but those of Fairfax County School planners. In a visit and discussion with the planners by Reston 2020 officers, they told us exactly that. Their comments were based on current population trends, and do not include new development already approved, such as Spectrum, but not yet built.

They think area high and middle schools, including Herndon, Great Falls and South Lakes will be particularly over capacity. A variety of social and demographic changes account for this, and the planners use very conservative figures when estimating potential students from

upscale high rises.

The important point here is that the planning task force, of which Mr. Wade is a member, has not yet taken this issue seriously. Reston has few available suitable school sites. They need to be protected.

Dick Rogers
Reston

School Board's Devastating Decision

To the Editor:

The School Board voted last



Team Armao, from left, are Patrick Thompson, Oleg Mann, Cathy Pfisterer, Brian Virlnelson, Chris Armao and Milly Armao.

Reston Team Tennis Champs Honored

The Washington Kastles, winner of the 2009 World Team Tennis championship, honored several players from Reston Team Tennis July 6 during the pro team's home opener at Kastles stadium.

The 2009 league winners of Reston Team Tennis (3.5-4.5 division) co-captains Chris and Milly Armao were joined by league players Oleg Mann, Cathy Pfisterer and Patrick Thompson at the event where they were photographed with the (Billie Jean) King Trophy and got a halftime salute from Washington Kastles coach

Murphy Jensen.

"This was such a nice thing for the Kastles to do," Milly Armao said. "We were really excited that D.C.'s champion tennis team would reach out to club-level players."

Other members of the 2009 winning Reston team include: Mario Ceste, Susan Gartner, Therese Grine, Mary Lou Hayden and Mike Roth.

Reston Team Tennis is a social, but competitive league that runs each year from April to October. The format of play is based on World Team Tennis, as developed by Billie Jean King.

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 Ahmadiyya Muslim Community USA will host its 62nd Annual Convention from Friday, July 16-Sunday, July 18 at Dulles Expo Center, 4368 Chantilly Shopping Center, Chantilly. Over 5,000 delegates are expected to celebrate 90 years of preaching Islam in the U.S. On Saturday, July 17, a 3:30 p.m. session will honor civic, state, federal and international dignitaries and address the question: Are Muslims required to obey non-Muslim Governments? Naseem Mahdi, National Vice President and Missionary In-Charge of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community USA, will speak. The public is invited. 571-482-9018 or convention@amcfairfax.org.

Northern Virginia Hebrew Congregation invites prospective members to an ice cream social at 2

week to close Clifton Elementary. I cannot tell you how devastating that was. Immediately following the vote, I saw children and parents crying outside. Over in a small garden, I saw two adult women, who I can only assume were parents, collapsed on the ground and holding each other while sobbing uncontrollably. It was extremely trying for me to see that. These people were "handled" in the worst sense of the word.

The School Board's stated reasoning throughout the process contin-

p.m. Sunday, July 25 at 1441 Wiehle Ave., Reston. Tour the temple and enjoy an ice cream sundae. Meet Rabbi Michael Holzman, Cantor Irena Altshul, Director of Education Moshe Ben-Lev, Administrator Fay Weiss and Temple leaders. Learn about NVHC and its programs. Families welcome. 703-437-7733 or www.nvhcreston.org.

Hope Fellowship Church will temporarily be meeting at Woody's Golf Range, 11801 Leesburg Pike, Herndon. Sunday Worship Services for this new Southern Baptist church are at 10:45 a.m. The public is invited to join a growing Bible believing, multi-ethnic/multi-cultural congregation, with Bible-based sermons and uplifting music. 703-599-3527 or www.hopefellowshipchurchloudoun.org.

ued to vacillate and wander around politically with no valid reasons or thinking behind the decision. The involved community was able to provide many, many facts supported with solid thinking as to why the school should not be closed.

Ms. Kimm did an excellent opinion piece last week ["School Board Could Learn To Share," Connection, July 7-13]. The schools' people just dismissed it as unformed and unimportant.

Bruce Bennett
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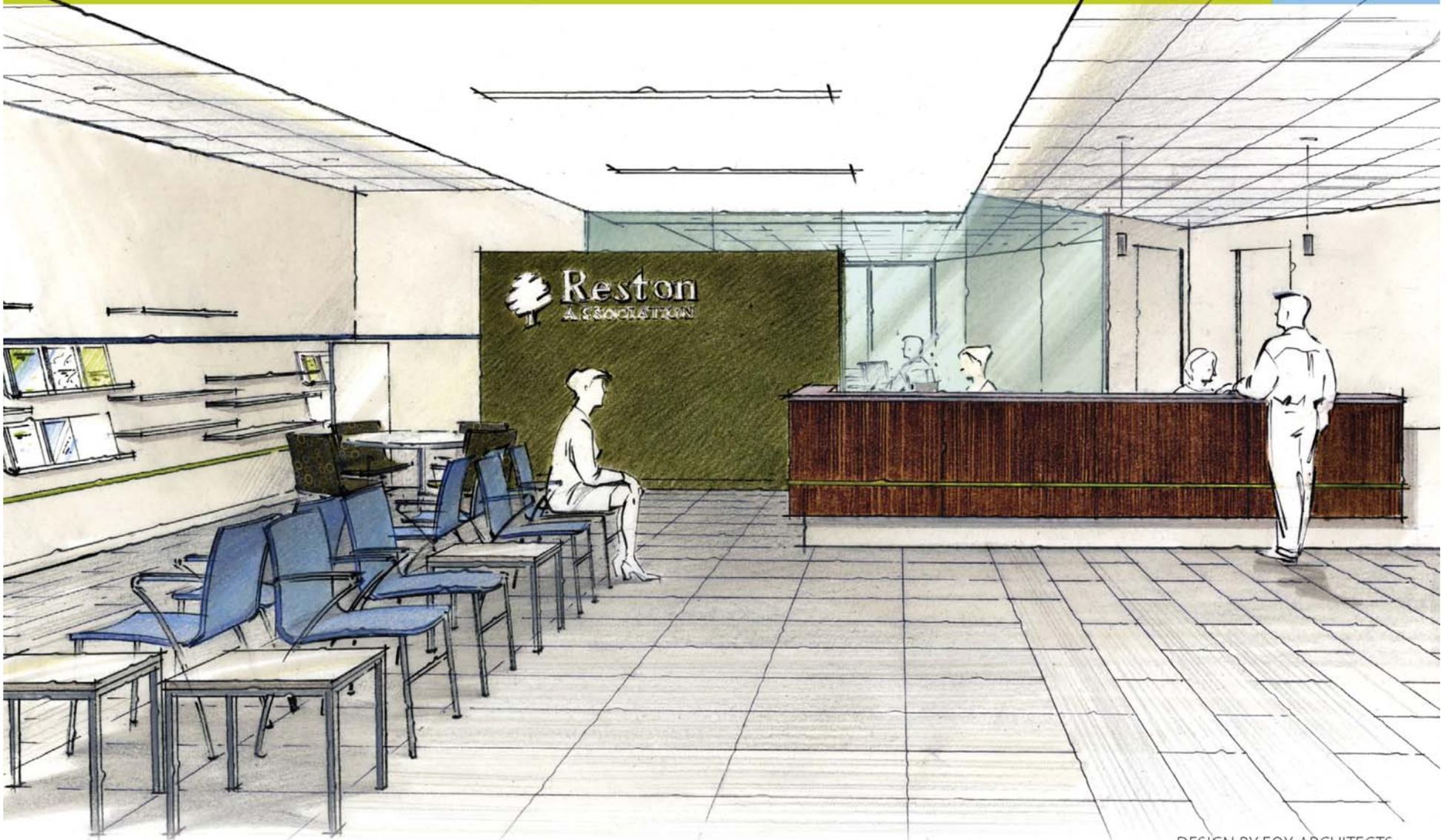
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July 23, 2010

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