

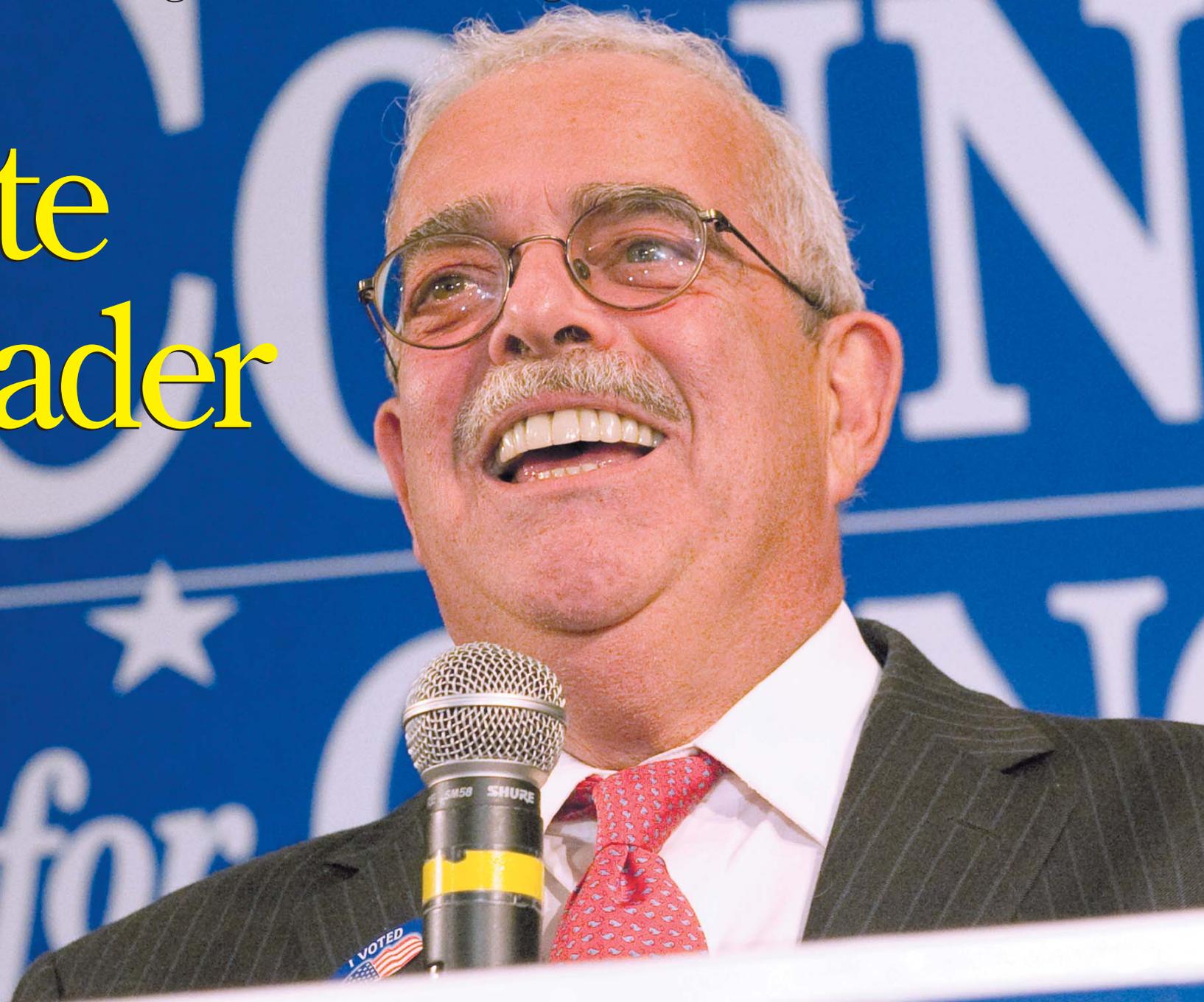
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smiles to the  
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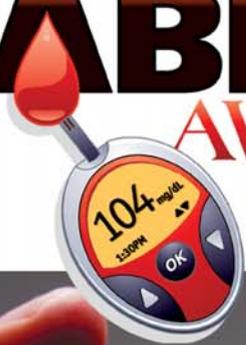
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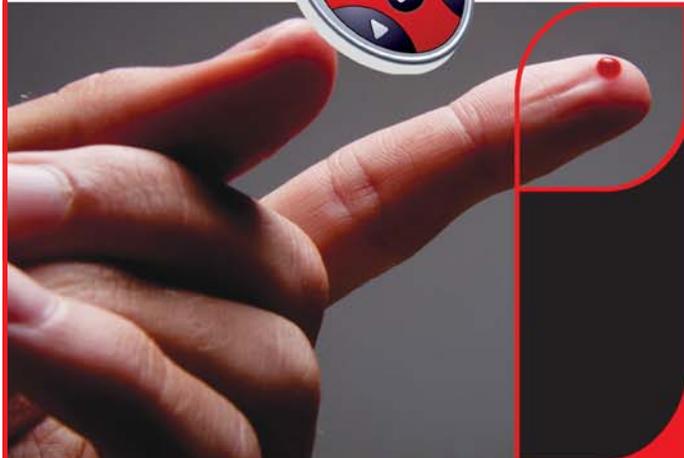
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U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11) hugs his wife Cathy before he gives his victory speech Tuesday night at the Fairview Marriott.



'I would rather be out here with you, than watching the monitors in my office,' Republican Keith Fimian tells the crowd at his election night party at the Mason Inn Hotel in Fairfax.

## Connolly Ends Night Leading 11th District Race

Two Lorton precincts do not report results due to machine malfunctions.

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE  
THE CONNECTION

Fairfax resident Laura Roberson did not have a tough time figuring out who to support in Virginia's 11th Congressional District race on Tuesday, Nov. 2.

Standing outside her polling place at Robinson Secondary School on election day, Roberson said she didn't have to hear much more about Republican candidate Keith Fimian than his comments about the 2007 Virginia Tech shootings.

Fimian had said some victims' deaths might have been avoided if some students had been "packing heat," a reference to carrying a firearm on campus. He later apologized for the comment, saying it was a poor choice of words.

But Roberson, who was a freshman at university where shootings took place, was already angry at the candidate.

"I heard some comments that one of the candidates made about Virginia Tech, and I decided to come and vote for the other guy. I am fairly anti-gun" said Roberson, who does not typically vote in lower profile elections, such as this year's race.

Roberson found out about Fimian's gaffe on the local news, though U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly's (D-11) supporters also seized on the Republican's misstep to take one final swipe at Fimian. Just a few days before the election, a group advocating gun control from outside Virginia starting running television spots featuring family members of

### Unofficial Election Results in Va. 11th Congressional District

The Virginia State Board of Elections published the following the "unofficial" results of the Nov. 2 election in the commonwealth's 11th congressional district the day after voting took place. Two precincts in the Lorton area, Lorton Center and Laurel Hill, had not reported their results yet due to an equipment malfunction.

Candidates	11th District	Fairfax County	Fairfax City	Prince William County
Gerry Connolly (D)	111,515 (49.2)	75,986 (47.6)	3,557 (50.1)	31,792 (46.1)
Keith Fimian (R)	110,684 (48.8)	71,579 (47.6)	3,351 (47.2)	35,764 (51.6)
Chris DeCarlo (I)	1,838 (0.8)	1,127 (0.6)	66 (0.9)	645 (0.9)
David Dotson (L)	1,381 (0.6)	878 (0.6)	72 (1.0)	431 (0.6)
David William Gillis (IG)	959 (0.4)	550 (0.4)	41 (0.6)	368 (0.5)

Virginia Tech victim and Westfield High School graduate Reema Samaha, highlighting Fimian's "packing heat" comment.

**SUCH MISTAKES** could have made a big difference in a political race that remained too close to officially call the day after the polls closed. With all voting precincts reporting by the middle of the day Nov. 3, Connolly led Fimian with 111,515 votes to 110,694 votes, a slim margin of 821 ballots.

Virginia law entitles the Fimian campaign, which trails Connolly by half a percentage point, to a state-sponsored recount, though it is unclear if the campaign would pursue that option.

**"The voters have spoken and the voters have chosen a moderate, pragmatic voice."**

— U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11)

Connolly gave a victory speech on election night but Fimian did not concede the race, opting to wait for a review of the ballots that would take place on the day following the election.

"In an election this close, it is important to take the time to get the result right," said Fimian in a statement.

Connolly, a freshman incumbent on Capitol Hill, served 14 years on the Fairfax County

Board of Supervisors before moving to the U.S. House of Representatives. In 2003 and 2007, he won countywide races for Fairfax's chairman seat by wide margins and was widely thought of the leader of the local Democratic Party and a popular elected of-

ficial that appealed to Independent and moderate Republican voters.

When he first ran for Congress two years ago, the Democrat beat Fimian by more than 10 percentage points. Despite the negative climate for Democrats overall, several political observers were surprised to see the race between the candidates had gotten so close in the days before the election. Many political activists in both parties had assumed Connolly would win the seat by a wider margin.

"It was getting closer than we thought it would be. The Cook Report had labeled it as a toss up this weekend," said Rex Simmons, chair of the Fairfax County Democratic Committee.

Like Fimian, the Democrat had also taken hits in television advertisements funded by outside political groups over the last two weeks. Connolly said the negative televi-

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# More County Residents Seeking Emergency Help

Requests for emergency food, food stamps more than doubled since 2006.

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE  
THE CONNECTION

On any given day, the Northern Virginia Dental Clinic receives 50 to 60 phone calls about its services. The organization's clients sometimes have to wait a year or more between the time they call for help and their initial appointment, said executive director Tom Wilson.

The dental clinic is the only facility in the region that offers oral examinations, mouth cancer screenings, root canals and other dental procedures at a discounted price to low-income adults. Many basic procedures, like teeth cleaning, cost just \$40 for people living near the poverty line, according to clinic's website.

"There are so little resources and such a great need," said Wilson of affordable dental care.

Wilson's clinic is not the only local organization that is currently overwhelmed by a demand for services. Lines at the Fairfax County Health Care Center in Bailey's Crossroads stretch out the front door and down the sidewalk, said Sheree Via, a medical social worker at the facility.

"People have to come an hour to an hour and a

half early if they want to be seen," said Via.

Churches, social workers and other non-profits have to manage people's expectations about how quickly they will be able to receive services, especially in light of the current economic downturn, said the two experts.

Over the past five years, Fairfax County has seen a 78 percent increase in requests for assistance with basic needs like food, shelter, health care, utility bills and job placement.

The rise in requests for food has been particularly dramatic during this time period. Inquiries about food stamps have jumped 165 percent and questions about emergency food have risen 153 percent since 2006.

Wilson, Via and several other experts from non-profits that help the local poor spoke at a Poverty Summit organized by the Messiah United Methodist Church on Rolling Road in Springfield Oct. 30. The church's community hoped the event would draw attention to the growing need among local residents for assistance, said organizers.

**SEVERAL** of Fairfax County's largest providers of emergency services depend heavily on volunteers and private donations, said speakers at the summit.

Food For Others, which is the largest distributor of free food in Northern Virginia, served 11,900 households and 42,000 individuals last

## REQUESTS FOR HELP INCREASE IN FAIRFAX COUNTY

Fairfax County's social service agencies and local non-profits saw a 78 percent increase in requests for assistance with food, shelter, health care, utility bills and job searches over the past five years. Requests for food stamps went up 165 percent and requests for emergency food went up 153 percent from 2006 to 2010. The number of people asking for financial assistance for utility bills has increase 123 percent in the same time period.

Fairfax often refers people who ask for assistance to local non-profit organizations, charities and churches who provide such services in the area. The following information was provided by the Fairfax County Government.

Year	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Four-Year Increase
<b>Assistance Sought</b>						
Free/Subsidized Dental Care	1,050	1,186	1,385	1,291	1,287	22.5%
Subsidized Housing	1,053	1,235	1,513	1,933	1,504	42.8%
Medicaid	1,392	1,447	1,618	1,640	1,704	22.4%
Emergency Shelter	1,639	1,701	1,852	2,074	2,383	45.5%
Food Stamps	1,185	1,570	1,937	2,848	3,140	165.0%
Job Search	1,405	1,834	2,156	2,520	2,711	93.0%
Housing Search	1,980	2,254	2,186	2,020	2,032	2.6%
Subsidized/Free Medical Services	1,956	2,070	2,421	3,116	3,521	80.0%
Emergency Utility Payment	1,994	2,031	2,399	3,500	4,450	123.0%
Emergency Food	2,193	2,883	3,465	4,789	5,547	153.0%
Emergency Rent Payment	3,274	3,879	4,540	5,516	5,755	75.7%

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## Return of the House that Haunted Springfield

Haunted House gives community a treat with no tricks.

BY JONAH GHILE  
THE CONNECTION

The opening of an annual haunted house, discreetly located in the pocket of Backlick Road, entered its sixth Halloween this past weekend, on Oct. 29, giving children three days of theatrical scare.

Dressed in full garb as a witch, Dawn Rihaly, a school health aid, stood in front of her drive way welcoming parents and children who were excited to make a visit to the locally popular place to be on Halloween — The Rihalys' residence.

"All year long, people come up to my children and I and ask 'When is it and what's going to happen?'" said Rihaly. "That's how they know us. They look at us and just think haunted house."

Although acquiring the responsibil-



One of the Haunted House's denizens prepares to frighten visitors.

ity of informing new neighbors weeks before who weren't aware of the tradition, she remained a bit anxious after alarming a few others the previous October.

"Last year, I forgot to put fliers in people's

mailboxes and let the community know," Rihaly said. "So someone called the police because they heard all the screaming in the back yard. The police came, went through the house, and we took pictures of their re-

"That's how they know us. They look at us and just think haunted house."

— Dawn Rihaly

actions running out with their mouths open, smiling. They said it was one of the best calls they've ever had to go on."

The authenticity of the Rihalys' haunted house comes with a real electric chair, deer head and a chainsaw being wildly stroked on display for each group that enters. The smell of the gas that escapes the chain saw was enough for some parents who decided to experience the thrill from outside of the house.

This year's theme, Rihaly boasted, was a mixture of the well-known films that Hollywood produced such as "Saw" and other familiar motion pictures. "It's all different every Halloween, however", she said.

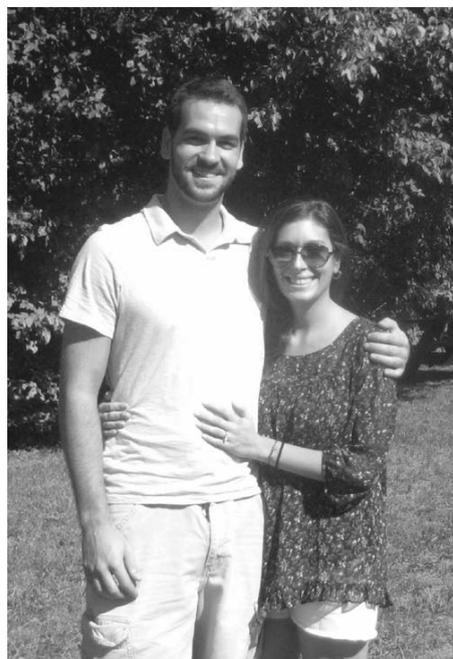
To entice future victims, Rihaly added "Come and get scared."

# PEOPLE



## Springfield Artist

Gus Muller, 86, of Springfield holds one of his colorful paintings on display, Oct. 17, in the Walney Garden Guild's fourth annual art show at Ellanor C. Lawrence Park in Centreville. He's been in the art show all four years. Formerly a civil engineer, Muller lived and worked in Africa and Bangladesh and didn't begin taking art classes until he retired in 1987.



## Marchant, Zimmer Engaged

Retired Col. and Mrs. Richard Marchant of Springfield announce the engagement of their daughter Brittany, to Jay Zimmer, son of John Zimmer and Anne Suter Zimmer of Oakton. Brittany Marchant, a 2008 graduate of Virginia Tech, is currently teaching at The Nysmith School for the Gifted. Jay Zimmer, also a Virginia Tech graduate, is currently employed as an engineer by CSSI Inc.



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# OPINION

## Be Part of the Children's Connection

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Each year it comes together as alchemy, turning our newsprint pages to something golden, with the talent, insight, fresh perspective, humor and thoughtfulness of local young minds.

We have regular contributions from art teachers and writing teachers who pull together assignments from many classes. We receive individual submissions from teenagers, and the work of home-schooled students.

Some suggestions for artwork: Drawings that

represent the student's family, pets, school, friends, activities; seasonal artwork for the holidays or winter; representations of favorite things.

Some suggestions for writing: (submissions are ideally 200 words, please don't exceed 350) the most memorable things about 2010; one thing I would give my family that doesn't cost any money; my wish for my family or community or school or the world; descriptive poetry; my emotions in certain circumstances; brief review of a movie or book or play; or anything of your choice.

Don't be left out, the deadline is Dec. 1, 2010, for publication the last week of the year.

All submissions must be made digitally, either via email or by mailing in a disk, or by bringing in the data on some other digital media. Artwork should be photographed or

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Please e-mail submissions to [springfield@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:springfield@connectionnewspapers.com). Mailed items should go to Springfield Children's Connection, 1606 King St., Alexandria, Va. 22314. E-mail questions to the same e-mail address.

### What Are You Thankful For in Springfield?

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### EDITORIALS

### Break Oil Dependence

To the Editor:

As a senior at George Mason University, I understand the importance of ending our dependence on fossil fuels and transitioning to clean energy. It's wrong that over the summer our senators and leaders, in the wallets of dirty oil companies, have delayed our clean energy future. Oil companies have a financial obligation to keep us dependent on these fuels.

Now, two big Texas oil companies are attempting to delay clean energy initiatives again with the push of Proposition 23. These

companies are spending millions of dollars to spread misinformation about

clean energy alternatives, in an effort to keep consumers dependent on fossil fuels. This dependence not only puts our environment at risk but also our national security and economy. I feel like the damage done by these fuels could be easily reversed if there were more sources of clean energy now. The tragic oil spill in the Gulf reinforces the fact that Americans should reduce our dependence on the costly, dirty oil. The cost of clean energy is cheaper in many ways in the long run than the cost that we currently pay using these dirty sources of energy.

As a graduating student, I understand the costs of living and know that by not developing cleaner energy alternatives, there



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### Snapshot

**Curtis Ross, a resident of Greenspring Village in Springfield, was proud to meet 11th Congressional District candidate Keith Fimian (R) and proud to say that he voted for Fimian.**

are reduced opportunities of new jobs available to me when I do graduate. Building whole new industries for developing and manufacturing green technology will help to jumpstart our economy and even create up to 50,000 new jobs here in Virginia. Virginia has the ability to produce a wide variety of natural, renewable energy for use all over the state. Clean

energy businesses and technologies continue to be a bright spot in the economy. Since 2005, clean energy jobs in California have grown up to 10 times faster than the statewide average. These facts alone should help to push people who are hurt by the economy to demand clean energy that will help not only them, but the environment as well. There is an abun-

dance of potential clean energy that can be used by everyone. To help get this energy to the people requires the effort of both Virginia citizens and our leaders. By demanding clean energy reform, we can create jobs for the next generation of workers.

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Lukas Trick and Sklyer Batchelor, fourth graders in Jennie Hettema's class, do the 'Monkey Hang.'

# Just Hanging Around

Students take on Halloween obstacle course.

For the 20th year, the gymnasium at Kings Glen Elementary School was transformed into a Halloween obstacle course featuring spooky music, sound effects and special lighting.

Students slithered on scooters and crawled through scary tunnels, swung over "snake pits" and touched "ghoulish" food. The tradition is the brainchild of PE. Teacher Sandy Woods.

# Demand for Help Grows

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year. Schools, businesses and other community organizations donate most of the items the charity ends up handing out to needy residents. Two weeks ago, Washington Irving Middle School collected 3,000 pounds of food for the organization, said Peter Spain, an organizer at Food for Others.

"But most of that food is gone now. ... We had 132 families come in on Friday," he said.

Food for Others has seen an increase in the number of families it serves recently. Those who are regular customers are also asking for assistance more often.

Spain said the non-profit used to give out three packages of free food annually to each family. Now, Food for Others allows each household to come in for free groceries six times per year.

"Most of these people are working. They come in with their work clothes on," said Spain.

Many of those people who need assistance with providing food for their families are also struggling with housing, said several speakers at the summit.

Low-income residents have a particularly hard time finding affordable housing in Fairfax County, where the average home costs more than \$400,000. Currently, 12,000 people are on the county's waiting list for affordable units, said Amanda Andere, executive director of FACETS, a Fairfax non-profit that works on housing issues.

When an affordable unit becomes available, some people may also have to pass on the offer because of the employer's location.

"If you are offered a certain apartment but you would have to take five or six bus routes to get to your job, that won't work. ... We can't just send everybody down to Route 1," said Andere.

**IN ADDITION** to the working poor, several people are seeking emergency assistance with food and shelter because they have lost their jobs and are unable to find a new position. According to county statistics, the number of residents asking for help with their job search has almost doubled over the last five years.

Several unskilled and low-income workers also don't have access to computers and copiers, which they need to apply for entry-level positions at several companies.

"Approximately 90 percent of companies with entry level jobs require online applications," said Trang Montgomery, who works at one of the county's job centers.

According to Montgomery, Fairfax's job centers provide computer assistance to residents and help people looking for work improve their job interview skills. They also push clients to learn English and earn a high school diploma or some equivalent to improve their employment opportunities, said Trang.

"In this economy, people who have a high school degree are having to compete with people who have a college degree for the same positions," she said.

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# POLITICS

## The Out-of-Towners



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These youths, reviewing election results on a laptop, are part of 'Generation Joshua' an 'issue-based' pro-life/pro-family organization that helps youths get involved in politics by matching them up with candidates. This group of 50 came into the area on Thursday, Oct. 28 and hit the ground running. While they were here, they worked 13-14 hours days, visiting thousands of houses during the day and then returning to the call center to make thousands of calls. Pictured in no particular order are: Ryan McDonald (Chesapeake), David Garber (Leesburg), Caleb Notheis (Marshall), Alec Millar (Manassas), Krista Kruse (Richmond), Elissa Kruse (Richmond), Anna Stockton (Front Royal), Kaitlyn Stockton (Front Royal), Jonathan Ellison (Front Royal), Jessica Stockton (Front Royal), Sarah Ellison (Front Royal), Rebecca Hubbard (Richmond).

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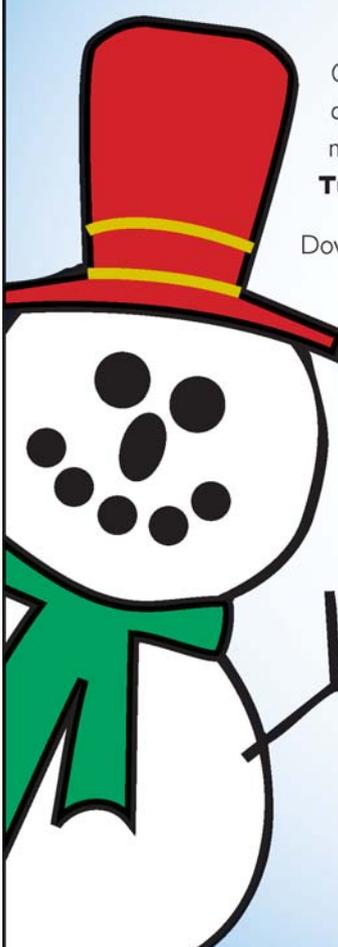
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## FRIDAY/NOV. 5

**Lar Lubovitch Dance Company.** 8 p.m. at George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Modern dance ensemble. A pre-performance discussion, free to ticket holders, begins 45 minutes prior to the performance on the Center's Grand Tier III. \$22-\$44. Charge tickets at 888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu.

**"Little Women: The Musical."** 7:30 p.m. at W. T. Woodson High School Auditorium, 9525 Main St., Fairfax. Presented by the WT Woodson Drama Department. www.wtdrama.org.

## SATURDAY/NOV. 6

**Franconia Museum Annual History Day.** 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Franconia Volunteer Fire Department, 6300 Beulah St., Franconia. Honoring residents of the area who were killed in the Vietnam War, as part of a program recognizing all veterans. The Museum will release Volume VI in its series Franconia Remembers, this one featuring the life of Joe Davies, a local high school football star and Air Force pilot lost in 1968. Also included are recollections about seven others lost during the war, Paul M. Bayliss, Robert W. Cupp, Charles H. Elliott Jr., Kermit W. Holland Jr., Herman L. Judy Jr., Michael E. Ludwig and Michael L. Walker. Free. Food and soft drinks available for purchase, all proceeds benefit the Museum. franconiamuseum@yahoo.com.

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

**Sixth Annual Fairfax County History Conference.** 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. at James Lee Community Center, 2855 Annandale Road, Falls Church. Local authors and historians, history groups' plans for 2010-2011, Civil War Sesquicentennial programs, exhibits, lectures and more. \$20. Pre-registration required with Michelle Alexander, Resource Management Division, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Suite 936, Fairfax 22035-1118. Contact Lynn Garvey-Hodge, 703-322-1811 or lghassoc@erols.com.

**Virginia Storytelling Alliance.** 10 a.m.-8:30 p.m. Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. A full day of workshops for beginning and experienced storytelling artists. \$10-\$25. www.WorkhouseArts.org.

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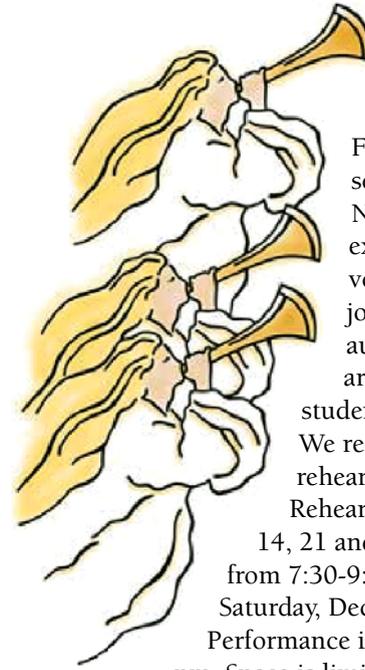


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**Jimmy Lange Boxing.** 7 p.m. George Mason University Patriot Center, 4500 University Drive, Fairfax. D.C. vs. Baltimore fighters. Tickets \$35-\$500 at 703-573-SEAT or www.ticketmaster.com. www.jimmylangeboxing.com.

**Sixth Annual Fairfax County History Conference.** 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. at James Lee Community Center, 2855 Annandale Road, Falls Church. Local authors and historians, history groups' plans for 2010-2011, Civil War Sesquicentennial programs, exhibits, lectures and more. \$20. Pre-registration required with Michelle Alexander, Resource Management Division, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Suite 936, Fairfax 22035-1118. Contact Lynn Garvey-Hodge, 703-322-1811 or lghassoc@erols.com.

**SUNDAY/NOV. 7**

**Keyboard Conversations with Jeffrey Siegel.** 7 p.m. at George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Performance of Robert Schumann works. With a free Young Artists

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**The Wiggles Wiggly Circus Live.** 2 p.m. at George Mason University Patriot Center, 4500 University Drive, Fairfax. Join The Wiggles, Captain Feathersword, Dorothy the Dinosaur, Henry the Octopus, Wags the Dog and all the Wiggly Dancers. \$15-\$76, available at www.ticketmaster.com or 703-573-SEAT.

**Fifth Annual Jewish Book Festival.** 9 a.m.-9 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia, 8900 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax. 703-323-0880 or www.jccnv.org. Breakfast with Curious George and the Man with the Yellow Hat. 9:30 a.m. Cathleen Schine, author of "The Three Weissmanns of Westport". 2 p.m. Mark Feldstein, author of "Poisoning the Press: Richard Nixon, Jack Anderson, and the Rise of Washington's Scandal Culture". 7 p.m.

**MONDAY/NOV. 8**

**Fifth Annual Jewish Book Festival.** 9 a.m.-8 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia, 8900 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax. With Lloyd Wolf, Jewish documentary photojournalist/artist at 11:45 a.m. 703-323-0880 or www.jccnv.org.

**Lunch Bunch.** 12:30 p.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Bring lunch and listen to stories. Tickets available at information desk 30 minutes before

program begins. Age 3-5 years with adult. 703-249-1520.

**Book Bunch.** 3:30 p.m. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. Call for title. Ages 7-8 with adult. 703-971-0010.

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**Read to the Dog.** 4:30 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Read to a reading therapy dog. Call to register for one 15-minute slot. 703-339-4610.

**TUESDAY/NOV. 9**

**Mother-Daughter Book Club.** 7 p.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Book club for girls and their moms. "Chasing Vermeer" by Blue Balliett. Age 9-11 and moms. 703-249-1520.

**Second Tuesday Evening Book Discussion.** 6:45 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. "The Help" by Kathryn Stockett. December's title: "A History of the World in 6 Glasses" by Tom Standage. Adults. 703-339-4610.

**English Conversation Group.** 7 p.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Practice and improve your English. Adults. 703-451-8055.

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**Practice Your English.** 10:15 a.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Conversation group for adults learning English. 703-339-4610.

**Older Adults Book Group.** 2 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. The Professor and the Madman by Simon Winchester. Meet next door at Kingstowne Center for Active Adults. 703-339-4610.

**Easy as Pie.** 10:30 a.m. Richard Byrd Library, 7250 Commerce St., Springfield. Join us for songs and stories. Age 2-5 with adult. 703-451-8055.

## THURSDAY/NOV. 11

### Fifth Annual Jewish Book Festival.

9 a.m.-8 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia, 8900 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax. 703-323-0880 or [www.jccnv.org](http://www.jccnv.org). Noralee Frankel, author of "Stripping Gypsy: the Life of Gypsy Rose Lee". 12:30 p.m. Myla Goldberg, author of "The False Friend," "Bee Season" and "Wickett's Remedy." 7:30 p.m.

**"Little Women: The Musical."** 7:30 p.m. at W. T. Woodson High School Auditorium, 9525 Main St., Fairfax. Presented by the WT Woodson Drama Department. [www.wtwdrama.org](http://www.wtwdrama.org).

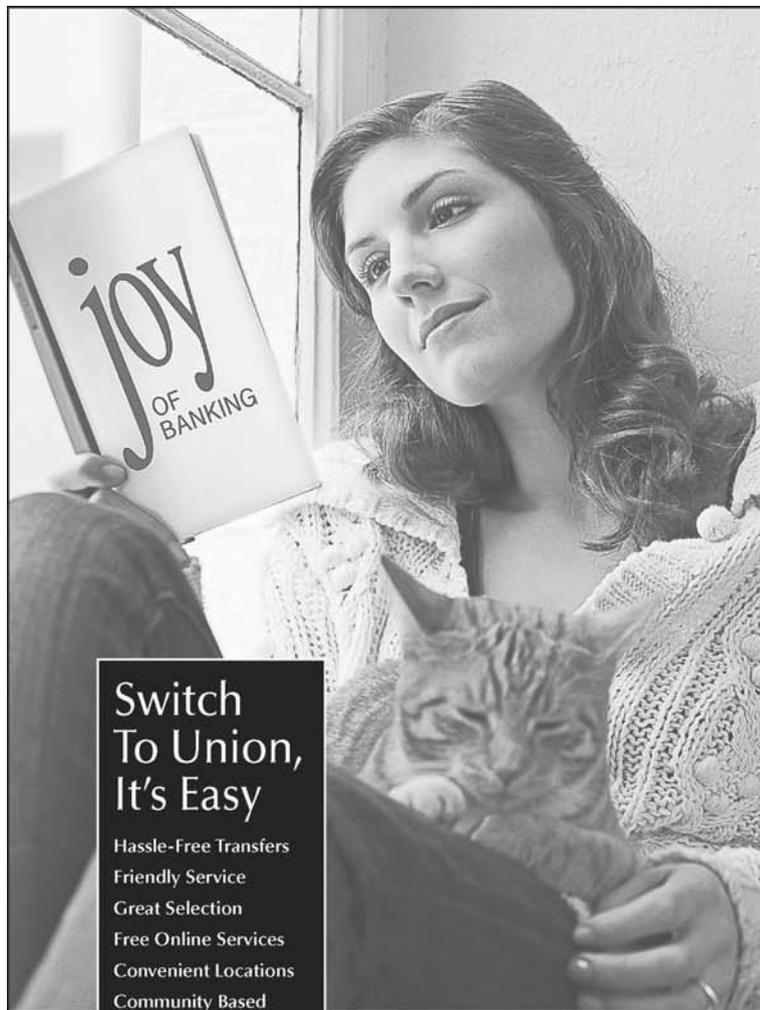
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## FRIDAY/NOV. 12

**Craft Bazaar.** 10 a.m.-8 p.m. at St. Raymonds Catholic Church, 8750 Pohick Road Springfield. Tea room, silent auction, quilt and dollhouse raffle, gifts, holiday decorations, bake sale and more. Free admission. [cspengler@verizon.net](mailto:cspengler@verizon.net).

**Disney's "Beauty and the Beast."** 7 p.m. Edison High School Fine Art Department, 5801 Franconia Road, Alexandria. Tickets \$6-\$10, available at [www.edisondrama.com](http://www.edisondrama.com).

**Bluegrass Duo Dailey & Vincent.** 8 p.m. at George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. \$20-\$48, half price for youth through grade 12 when accompanied by an adult. A pre-performance discussion, free to ticket holders, begins 45 minutes prior to the performance on the Center's Grand Tier III. Charge at 888-945-2468 or [cfa.gmu.edu](http://cfa.gmu.edu).



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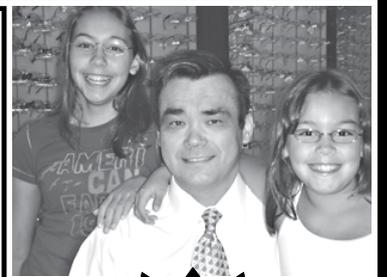
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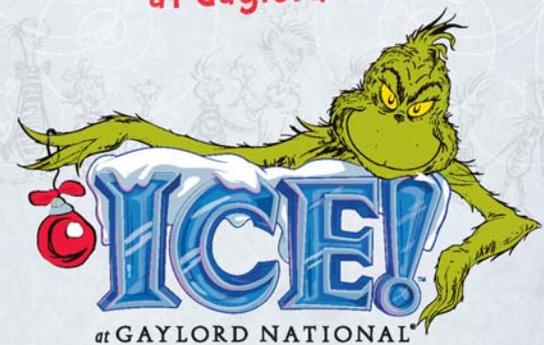
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# Bruins' Runners Second at District Meet

**Lake Braddock's Chase wins girls race, West Springfield teams finish third on both sides.**

BY RICH SANDERS  
THE CONNECTION

**T**he Lake Braddock High cross country program enjoyed a solid showing from both its girls' and boys' teams at last week's Patriot District Championships, which took place Oct. 28 at Burke Lake Park.

The Lake Braddock girls (52 points) finished second to West Potomac (42) in the team standings. Leading the Bruins was first place individual finisher, Sophie Chase, whose winning time of 17 minutes, 42 seconds put her in comfortable distance ahead of second place finisher Bailey Kolonich (18:06) of Lee High.

Lake Braddock had two other runners earn top 15 medals — fifth place Casey Lardner (18:51) and eighth place Katie Roche (19:01). The Bruins also received good runs from Tara Landy (16th place) and Alexis Bruhn (22nd).

The Bruins will next compete at the 16-team Northern Region Championships at Burke Lake Park on Thursday, Nov. 4, beginning at 3:15 p.m.

The top four girls' teams at the Patriot District meet earned automatic bids to regionals. Along with West Potomac and Lake Braddock, the other two teams to qualify for regionals were third place West Springfield (68) and fourth place T.C. Williams (100).

Last week's other top 15 individual medal winners at districts also included West Springfield runners Lauren Blackburn (ninth place), Maddie Wittich (10th) and Jessica Simmons (12th), as well as South County's Mary Cate Scully (14th).

Other local runners who had good outings included

West Springfield's Lisa Williams (17th), Woodson's Alanna Kelley (19th), West Springfield's Jennifer Moore (20th), Lee's Nina Srikongyos (21st), South County's Alyssa Campbell (23rd), Woodson's Shoshana Oppenheim (26th), Lake Braddock's Anna Markowitz (27th), Woodson's Anne McAuley (29th) and South County's Kaitlin Reskovac (30th).

**ON THE BOYS' SIDE**, Lake Braddock (61 points) was also a second place finisher behind champion West Potomac (56). West Springfield (94) and Woodson (113) finished third and fourth, respectively, in the team standings to qualify for regionals.

Woodson's Paul Gates was the individual champion with a time of 15:15. West Springfield's Colin Taylor (15:20) was second and Lake Braddock's Sam Rebenking (15:24) was third.

Behind Rebenking on the Lake Braddock ladder were top 15 medal earners Luke Sol (7th place, 15:50), ninth place Nick Tuck (15:54) and 15th place Luke Levan (16:13). Rounding out the Bruins' top five was Nick Farrell (27th).

Other local top 15 finishers were Lee's Abraham Jacob (fifth place, 15:45); eighth place Dylan Morgan (15:52) of South County; and 14th place James King (16:12) of West Springfield.

West Springfield coach Chris Pellegrini said both of his teams finished about where he anticipated they would in qualifying for regionals.

"There weren't any major surprises," said Pellegrini. "I was pleased with James King's effort to place all-district for the second straight year. Colin [Taylor] ran a good race up front, but unfortunately got surprised at the end by a great finish by Paul Gates from Woodson. I think Colin is in good position to challenge for the regional title on Thursday."

Lake Braddock head coach Mike Mangan was pleased with the overall showings of his girls' and boys' teams. "We had a good district meet," said Mangan. "West Potomac is very good on both sides. We are hoping to challenge them in both races at regionals. The top four teams [at regionals] will move on to states and that is our primary goal."



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**Lee's Bailey Kolonich (324) finished second overall at last week's Patriot District cross-country championships at Burke Lake Park.**

## With District Crown on Line, Lake Braddock Prevails

**Bruin football team dominates second half in pivotal football win over West Potomac.**

BY RICH SANDERS  
THE CONNECTION

**W**ith the defense of its Patriot District title on the line, the Lake Braddock High football team stepped up big time in the second half of its Patriot District showdown game at West Potomac Friday, Oct. 29 on way to a convincing 42-17 win.

Lake Braddock, last year's district and Northern Region Division 6 champion, held the talented Wolverines scoreless on three, third quarter trips within the 10-yard line.

Offensively in the second half, the Bruins utilized the running ability of their quarterback and outscored the home team, 21-0, to claim the victory.

The Bruins improved to 8-1 overall and a perfect 6-0 in the district in clinching at least

a portion of this year's title. A victory over district guest West Springfield in its final regular season game this Friday night will earn Lake Braddock the district crown outright.

For West Potomac (6-3, 5-1), the loss was the first in district play this fall. The Wolverines, who could face Lake Braddock again in a first round Division 6 playoff game on Oct. 12, wrap up their regular season at Annandale this Friday night.

"The kids were disappointed, obviously," said West Potomac coach Eric Henderson, of the loss. "I think we'll come out hard this week and practice hard and go play Annandale."

Lake Braddock led West Potomac 21-17 at halftime. The Wolverines had their chances to stay close or take the lead in the third quarter when, on three separate pos-

sessions, they had the ball within the Bruins' 10-yard line.

But the three scoring threats ended with a missed field goal, an interception and the loss of possession on downs.

"The third quarter was pivotal for us," said Henderson, of his team's inability to score within the red zone (20 yards and in) area of the field. "Three drives within the 10, no points. We had penalties, interceptions and untimely mistakes. Lake Braddock has a pretty good defensive line. When you get in close you have to earn those tough yards."

Lake Braddock's defense, the catalyst of any championship team, stepped up big time.

"Our defense has been outstanding all year," said Bruins' head coach Jim Poythress.

"We believe we have been tested by both great running and great passing teams. Our defense is easily as good as last year's, maybe better. Only time will tell."

A prolific running and passing team out of its "Bill Renner Five Wide Offense" — named after the former West Springfield High head coach — West Potomac has enjoyed a sizzling aerial attack behind QB Nik Dimitrijevic, as well as a potent running attack, led by running back Brandon Johnson.

The Wolverines, against the Bruins' "D," found success through the air as Dimitrijevic completed 23-of-34 passes for 276 yards and a touchdown. His primary target was receiver Jalen Dawson

**"Lake Braddock has a pretty good defensive line. When you get in close you have to earn those tough yards."**

— West Potomac Coach Eric Henderson

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## SPORTS

# Hicks Wins 3rd Title

Eagles finish fourth, qualify for regionals.

By JON ROETMAN  
THE CONNECTION

As Myah Hicks worked her way along the 2.98-mile course at Burke Lake Park, it was clear only one runner was capable of stopping the Edison senior from winning her third consecutive National District title — Myah Hicks.

Hicks pulled away from the field and crossed the finish line 53 seconds ahead of her nearest competitor, capturing the individual crown at the National District cross-country championship meet on Oct. 28. Hicks' dominance helped an inexperienced Eagles team finish fourth and capture the district's final regional berth with 82 points. Washington-Lee won the meet with 49 points, beating Yorktown (58) and Hayfield (75).

"To get fourth place and qualify for regionals, that was one of our goals this year," Edison head coach Bernadette Flynn said. "We have a very young team experience-wise. We lost a lot of girls from last year's team."

What Edison lacked in experience it made up for with Hicks' talent. After placing second as a freshman, the track and field state champion won the district each of the last three seasons. On this day, Hicks' large lead forced her to rely on self-motivation, which is nothing new to her. Hicks finished last season's district meet 1 minute, 10 seconds ahead of her nearest competitor.

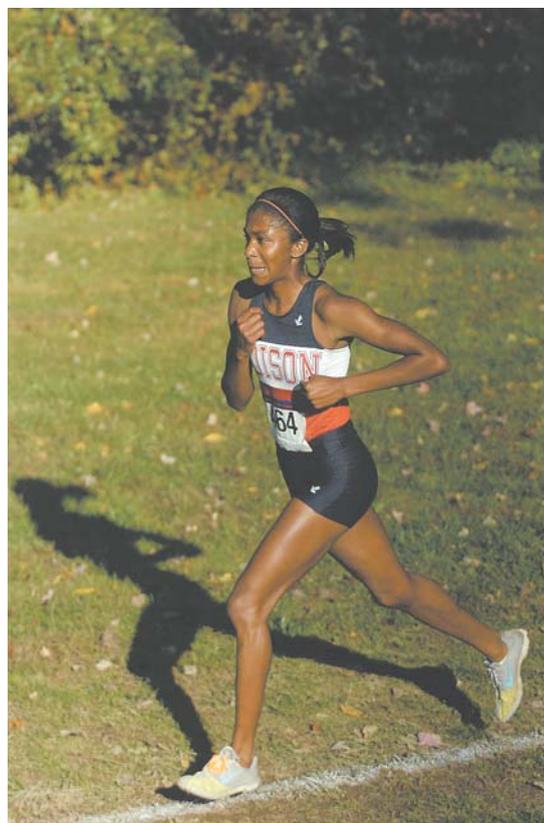
"She's really good at pushing herself," Flynn said. "She's a coaches dream ... does everything you ask. She's out there every Sunday running 60, 70 minutes. ... [During] freshman year outdoor regionals, she was in the slowest section in the 800 and qualified on time by pushing herself."

While Hicks' motivation comes from within, she also looks to others for a boost.

"I had to try to listen for my teammates and people saying, 'Keep pushing yourself,'" said Hicks, who is considering running at Georgetown University next year. "It's hard sometimes. It's mental, so keep telling yourself to push it."

Hicks' talents have grabbed the attention of her opponents.

"I used to try to catch Myah Hicks, but I noticed that it was very, very hard to," said Washington-Lee



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**Edison senior Myah Hicks captured her third consecutive National District championship on Oct. 28 at Burke Lake Park.**

junior Isabel Amend, who finished second to Hicks at districts. "Now I look to her as inspiration to run faster. She almost ran a minute faster than I did and that's a huge gap. She's a state champion, she's an amazing runner. If anything else, right now, she just inspires me to run."

Said fourth-place finisher Helen Amend of W-L: "The fact that she's such a great role model makes it better, too, because she's a nice person."

Edison's Tara Tinsley placed sixth with a time of 19:30. Nicole Flynn (21:35) was 23rd, Alex Hastings (21:58) finished 25th and Caroline Hayden (22:07) was 27th.

The Edison boys finished second with 57 points, 23 behind district champion Hayfield. Edison's Louis Colson (16:11) finished fourth, Gerardo Munevar (16:11) placed fifth, David Bulir (16:35) was ninth, John McAlister (17:12) finished 17th and Michael Knopp (17:2) finished 22nd.

The Northern Region meet is Nov. 4 at Burke Lake Park.

### WEEK IN SPORTS

The George Mason University club football team is going to be playing against Radford University's club team this Saturday, Nov. 6 at 3 p.m. at the RAC field. The club football team has been around since 1993 and has been a member of the Seaboard Conference since its start. The game against Radford is one of the team's highlight games as Radford has been considered by the Mason Men as their rival opponent since they first played them in 2008. GMU head coach Matt Dyson explained the rivalry as "good competition and a good rivalry between schools. Our guys take it pretty seriously. Radford is a good team and we are definitely looking forward to it."

The Mason Men gave their opinions on the upcoming game as well. Team captain and starting quarterback, Jack Langley, said that he was look-

ing forward to the game and was eagerly preparing for it. Defensive end DJ Dumas said, "Our coming games are all winnable. We have the better talent and we should be better prepared for them."

Starting Kicker John Moorhead said "Come out and support us. This is your chance to make a difference and have a good time."

Coach Dyson said his team gives it their all every time they play.

"Mason has a club football team that comes out and pushes, sweats, and does everything they can for this University," he said. "We would love for the students to come out and support us."

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## SPORTS



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Lake Braddock will conclude regular season Friday with home game against West Springfield.

## Eyes On the District Crown

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(10 catches, 183 yards, one TD), who caught an 80-yard scoring pass in the first half from Daryl Copeland (seven catches, 66 yards), a receiver who made good on his one pass attempt of the game.

"I thought we pass-protected well," said Henderson, of the Wolverines' young but talented offensive line.

But the Bruins also made some key defensive plays against the pass with three interceptions.

West Potomac's running game, which has thrived with Johnson (12 TDs), who is closing in on 1,000 yards on the season, was shut down by Lake Braddock, which held the prolific ball carrier to 12 yards on 10 carries. Johnson did catch three balls for 41 yards.

The Wolverines, defensively, had little answer to slowing down the Lake Braddock offense, which six times this season has contributed to 40-plus point outputs. Bruins' QB Michael Nebrich, perhaps the region's top player on offense this season, dashed any Wolverine comeback hopes by running for three second half scores, from four yards out in the third quarter, and TD runs of 12 and 18 yards away in the fourth quarter.

On top of his second half running prowess, Nebrich tossed three touchdown passes in the first half, 29 and 47-yard strikes to Tanner Quigley and a 48-yarder to Justin Um. For the night, Nebrich completed 20-of-35 passes for 310 yards and two interceptions. He also ran for 133 yards on 23 carries.

Lake Braddock and West Potomac, offensively, both run out of the same or at least similar five receivers, one-running back scheme.

"West Potomac was a mirror image of our offensive system except they had better overall team speed," said Poythress, a one-time West Potomac assistant coach. "They played very well, but ultimately we were not to be denied. The difference in the game was our ability to run the football offensively and to stop it defensively."

"[Lake Braddock] has a good understanding of our offense," said Henderson. "They're very well coached."

If both West Potomac and Lake Braddock win in week 10, they could meet the following week in a postseason game with the Bruins being a No. 3-seed and the Wolverines a No. 6-seed in the eight-team playoff format.

"I am sure they will be a very dangerous squad when the playoffs start," said Poythress. "I believe we have what it takes to make a run. I also know that you need some breaks and good fortune to do so. We could just as easily be one and done."

The last time West Potomac qualified for the playoffs, in 2007, it defeated the Bruins in the first round before losing to eventual state champion Westfield High.

The Wolverines went 6-4 the following year (2008) but did not qualify for the postseason. Last year, West Potomac struggled at 2-8. "We've told the kids this week that we've got to beat Annandale [this Friday] to set up some playoff momentum," said Henderson.

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## POLITICS

# Recount in 11th District Race May Be Ahead

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sion spots, in addition to an anti-incumbent and anti-Democratic sentiment among the electorate, had take a toll on the campaign and diminished his lead in the days leading up to the election.

"Nobody had said this was going to be easy. ... But the voters have spoken and the voters have chosen a moderate, pragmatic voice," said Connolly, in his election night speech.

The Democrat said he heard a "loud and clear" message from his constituents about focusing on the economic growth in Northern Virginia. In an interview, he said he planned to turn his attention toward the U.S. Department of Defense's plans to cut back on government contracting, which several business leaders in Northern Virginia said could cost the region thousands of jobs.

"I want to foster and grow this local economy which is the envy of the rest of the country and that was built in partnership with the federal government," said the congressman.

**ON A DAY** when several Democratic incumbents lost elections around the country, Connolly's long record as an effective local government leader in Fairfax County may have helped him draw more votes than



**U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11) appears contemplative as he's interviewed following his victory speech Tuesday night.**

his Republican opponent, said Democratic activists.

"I was looking for experience. He has a sense of what people want and need," said Springfield resident Mary Anne Ericson of Connolly.

The congressman fared much better with

Fairfax voters, who make up two-thirds of the 11th Congressional District, than Prince William County voters.

The Democrat won Fairfax with 50.5 percent of the vote to Fimian's 47.6 percent of the vote. But Fimian beat Connolly in Prince William, garnering 51.6 percent of the votes

to Connolly's 46.1 percent.

"Gerry is a known quantity, especially in Fairfax County," said Fairfax County Chairman Sharon Bulova (D-At-large).

An unusually strong turnout in Fairfax may also have benefited Connolly. Approximately 51 percent of all active Fairfax County voters, who were more likely to vote for the Democrat, showed up at the polls compared to just 45 percent of active voters in Prince William County, who tend to vote more for conservative candidates.

"Thirty-five percent of registered voters had come in by noon, which is great. Only presidential elections get this type of turnout," said Adina Horvarth, an election official at the Mantua precinct in Fairfax.

During a similar election cycle in 1997, when the only candidates on the ballot were local congressmen, Fairfax voters turned out at a much lower rate of 40 percent, according to county election records.

But knowing that this would be a close election, both political parties made a significant effort to drive potential voters to the polls.

"I was deluged by parties interested in my participation in the process, more so than the presidential election. It was almost a nuisance really," said Darphaus Mitchell, who voted at Orange Hunt Elementary School.

# Democrats Defiant in Victory in 8th District Race

## Moran heads into second decade castigating 'politics of fear.'

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE  
THE CONNECTION

**U**.S. Rep. Jim Moran (D-8) will lose his position at the head of a key appropriations subcommittee overseeing spending at the Interior Department when Republicans take power next year. But that doesn't mean the congressman is about to start backing down from fight. Moran is already eager to take on the new Republican leadership.

His victory speech Tuesday night at the Westin Arlington Gateway repeatedly castigated what he called "the politics of fear" at work in the Republican Party. He said Democrats should have no regrets over what he considers the accomplishments of the last two years.

"A majority of the Republicans elected tonight are closely aligned with the so-called Tea Party," Moran said. "They won with the contention that government can't help us, and now that they are elected they will spend their time proving it."

Moran said Democrats should have no regrets about the first two years of the



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Obama administration. Unlike other congressional Democratic candidates this year, Moran vigorously supported the stimulus package and health-care reform. Voters of the Eighth Congressional District overwhelmingly approved, giving the incumbent Democrat more than 60 percent of the vote. The congressman pledged to work against the effort to undo the Obama agenda.

"We're going to be locked in a tough fight to protect our hard-won reform of Wall Street, to continue providing health care for all Americans and enabling the federal government to provide more equal opportunity for all Americans," Moran said.

Local Democrats blamed national losses

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— U.S. Rep. Jim Moran (D-8)

**U.S. Rep. Jim Moran (D-8) talks briefly about winning the race.**

"We let the Tea Party define the message," agreed Councilman Paul Smedberg, a former chairman of the Alexandria Democratic Committee. "That was a critical failure."

Now that the politics of 2010 have drawn to a close, the election of 2011 and 2012 have taken increased importance. Three potential candidates have emerged in the party to seek a potential vacancy in the 30th District of the Virginia Senate — Arlington School Board Chairwoman Libby Garvey, Alexandria Councilman Rob Krupicka and Del. Adam Ebbin (D49). And party leaders confirmed that former Del. Brian Moran (D-46) is currently laying the groundwork to become chairman of the Democratic Party of Virginia.

"I'm confident we will have a field of strong candidates," said Alexandria Democratic Committee Chairman Clark Mercer.

One of the uncertainties Democrats will face is the outcome of redistricting next

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# Bittersweet Night for Some Republicans

## Republican Patrick Murray loses congressional bid.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN  
THE CONNECTION

It was a bittersweet night for Northern Virginia Republicans as 8th District congressional candidate Patrick Murray lost his bid to replace Democratic incumbent Jim Moran while across the nation the party picked up at least 66 seats and regained control of the House of Representatives.

"There is always a silver lining," Murray said to supporters at Bailey's Sports Grille in Arlington, which served as his election night headquarters. "Sometimes, you lose some battles but win some wars and if you look at what's going on around the country, it's terrific for the United States of America and terrific for Republicans."

Moran retained his seat with 61 percent of the vote, while Murray won 37 percent and Green Party candidate Ron Fisher 1.4 percent. Alexandria saw a nearly 50 percent turnout among active registered voters while 8th District turnout stood at 44 percent.

Alexandria City Council members Alicia Hughes and Frank Fannon congratulated Murray on a well-run race, with Fannon weighing in on the national election results.

"Today was basically a referendum on the far left agenda of Obama, Pelosi and Reid," Fannon said. "America is still a center right nation and will always stay a center right nation."

Fannon believes the next two years will play a crucial role in the presidential elec-

**"Sometimes life doesn't work out exactly like you want, but in the long run, we'll be fine."**

— Patrick Murray

Murray unsuccessfully attempted to place the customary call to his opponent conceding the race.

"We were given a cell phone number to reach Moran by his daughter Mary, who is also his campaign manager," said Mike Lane, campaign manager for Murray.

A call was placed at 8:39 p.m. and, according to Lane, an unknown male voice answered the phone.

"After I identified myself, we could hear

tion of 2012. "The Republicans are being rented for 24 months by the American people," Fannon said. "How they perform in those 24 months will dictate whether America will want to buy them in the presidential election of 2012."

Murray unsuccessfully attempted to place the customary call to his opponent conceding the race.

"After I identified myself, we could hear

him ask Moran if he wanted to talk to Patrick," Lane said. "Very clearly we heard Moran respond 'No, I don't want to talk to him.' No one ever came back on the line and after nearly three minutes they hung up."

Murray was unfazed. "Sometimes life doesn't work out exactly like you want, but in the long run, we'll be fine," Murray said. "We'll do just fine in this congress over the next two years and guess what? There's another election in 2012."

When asked if he had made any decisions on his political future, Murray said, "Absolutely not. But I can tell you I am here to stay."

Murray praised his campaign staff and thanked them for what he described as "a phenomenal effort" by his team.

"We fought the best fight that has ever been fought in a very difficult district," Murray said. "I am disappointed that we weren't victorious but sometimes you have to live to fight another day."



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Republican 8th District candidate Patrick Murray addresses supporters Tuesday night at Bailey's Sports Grille in Arlington.

# Defiant Moran Criticizes 'Politics of Fear'

State Sen. Dick Saslow, former state Del. Brian Moran and Joe Landa check the early returns.



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year, when the General Assembly will craft reams of new maps and redrawn districts. That could pose a problem for candidates who are suddenly cast into a new constituency. For example, Garvey might be excluded from the Democratic primary for the 30th District of the Virginia Senate if the lines move south. Some Democrats suggested Tuesday night that the new lines for the district might have more Alexandria and less Arlington, potentially casting Garvey out of the race.

"I'm not going to talk about that," responded Senate Majority Leader Dick Saslow (D-35) when asked about the speculation.

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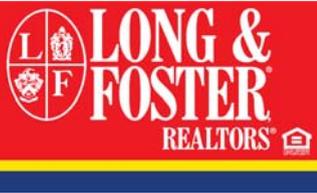


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\$329,900

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