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Santa and Mrs. Claus greet legions of their adoring fans just after using their magic to light up the Christmas tree at Reston Town Center.

# Let There Be Light

## Santa and Mrs. Claus stop by Reston Town Center to light Christmas tree.

Reston Town Center was the place to be when it came to holiday spirit Friday. After the annual holiday parade in the morning, hundreds gathered in front of the tree as the sky darkened to see the Christmas tree in front of the fountain lit for the first time this year.

A pair of elves got people's attention before the official lighting, as they argued over who would help Santa the most when he showed up. As the crowd around the tree thickened, more and more children found their way onto the shoulders of their parents, giving them a view.

Reston resident Don Colwell, better known to D.C. area radiophiles as "Cerphe" served as the master of ceremonies for the event welcoming the children and telling them to keep their eyes peeled for Mr. and Mrs. Claus, who he said should be arriving any minute.

Anyone who happened to be wearing a red coat caused at least one case of mistaken identity, as false alarms rang out throughout the crowd from eager spotters who said they saw Santa.

When the celebrity couple finally arrived, they were impossible to miss, as they came on a horse-drawn carriage.

"I'm going to need everyone to



**Kenzie Clifford, 4, of Herndon, gets a boost from her father, John as she keeps an eye out for the arrival of Santa and Mrs. Claus at Reston Town Center Friday.**

close their eyes, and try and use your magic to help light this tree," Santa said to the crowd. "Count to three and then open your eyes."

Just on cue, when the crowd opened their eyes, the tree lit up like a phoenix, which caused the crowd to break out in ecstatic applause.

"It worked!" cried Jordana Manuel, 4, of Reston.

After the tree was lit, the crowd only had to turn 360 degrees to see the Reston Chorale, who had set up on the other side of market street, break out into "O Christmas Tree."

The chorale performed a variety of holiday favorites, from the love song "Let it Snow" to "O Come All Ye Faithful" among others, before concluding with "We Wish You A Merry Christmas."

"It was the perfect way to bring in the holiday season," said Moira Heisley of Reston. "I feel like kicking myself for not coming out to one of these sooner, between Santa, the tree and the music, it really is like something out of a movie."



**The Reston Chorale serenades the crowd at Reston Town Center, just after the tree is officially lit. The group sang traditional Christmas tunes as part of the tree lighting ceremony.**



PHOTO BY VICTORIA ROSS/THE CONNECTION

**Hugs for Scotland, back row, from left: Kyle Norfleet, 16, Kirrollos Guirguis, 15; Jacob Savage, 15; Robert Bouwmeester, 17, Phil Vollman, 17; front row - from left, Jenny Rubin, 16; Brionna White, 15, Kemi Akinbileje, 15, teacher Maria Harris, Michelle Slivinski, 15; Eric O'Brian, 15; Kenzy Forman, 15 (hugging Mrs. Harris).**

## Seahawks Host Fundraisers for Trip to Scotland

BY VICTORIA ROSS  
THE CONNECTION

Fifteen talented teens at Reston's South Lake's High School already know the highlight of their next summer vacation.

In August, the young actors are headed to Edinburgh, Scotland, where they've been selected to perform Neil Simon's slapstick comedy Rumors during "The Fringe," the largest arts festival in the world. They will join more than 1,800 different performing companies from all over the world who are participating in the American High School Theatre Arts Festival (AHSTF), which runs in conjunction with The Fringe Festival in Scotland's capital city.

The trip is sponsored by the school's Theatre Arts Boosters. "Our Theatre Arts Boosters are helping us fund the trip, and together we've planned some great fundraisers," said Maria Harris, Theatre Arts Director

and Performing Arts Chair.

On Friday, Dec. 3 at 8 p.m., the school is hosting the Jason Linett Comedy Hypnosis Show in the South Lakes Little Theater; Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. "It's a hilarious show.

It's back by popular demand because it was so funny last year," Harris said.

On Dec. 4, the school hosts a "Disney Lunch with Cast and Crew" from 12:30 to 2 p.m. There's also an iPod raffle during the Disney show. Tickets for the lunch and show are \$10. According to Harris, there will be an "extra special visitor" to the show this year.

Other fundraisers include a Scotland Fundraising Day on Dec. 11, a Disney Princess Breakfast on Feb.12 and a casino night in March or April with more details to come.

To support the students' trip to Edinburgh, or to get tickets to the comedy show, or the Disney lunch, call the school at 703-715-4589.

## Raising Funds for the United Way

Reston Hospital Center & Dominion Hospital CEO Tim McManus kissing a pig from Frying Pan Park as the finale of the United Way campaign. The kiss the pig fundraiser raised more than \$1000 for the United Way.



## Jingle on the Lake Holiday Event

Lake Anne Waterfront will host the kick off of the holidays on Dec. 4 with Jingle on Lake Anne - a Holiday Event Celebration taking place from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Community organizers and plaza retailers will host a variety of festive activities ranging from a special visit from Santa (arriving on a lake barge), strolling carolers, a petting zoo, wine tastings, merchant specials, a gingerbread house decorating contest, cookie decorating, holiday arts and crafts market, holiday entertainment and much more.

The 1st Annual Gingerbread House Decorating Contest (taking place during this event) will bring an opportunity for locals to design a personal/favorite Reston landmark into a gingerbread house.

Lake Anne invites the community to submit a gingerbread scene to be judged by a local panel of experts. People are encouraged to select a Reston scene or an event from history illustrations and get to decorating. Rules for entry and additional details are located at [www.lakeanneplaza.com](http://www.lakeanneplaza.com). This activity is sponsored by [www.allrestonrealestate.com](http://www.allrestonrealestate.com).

The holiday event is sponsored and hosted by Lake Anne Merchants. Event Schedule:

11 a.m.-3 p.m. - Holiday Arts & Crafts Market, Petting Zoo, Ginger Bread Decorating Contest & Cookie Decorating (until 2 p.m.), Plaza Activities

12 noon-2 p.m.- Santa Arrival/Departure.

Cost: Free, Rain or Shine

## Penzance Signs Headquarters Lease in Reston

Penzance has signed a 30,000 square foot lease at Parkridge Center Four in Reston NetWitness, a network security company that provides real-time network forensics and automated threat analysis solutions.

Matt Pacinelli, Penzance's director of leasing, spearheaded the leasing effort that brought Virginia-based NetWitness to the Reston property. "What attracted them to the building for their worldwide headquarters was our ability to deliver a high-end data center along with very attractive, unique office space featuring high ceilings, skylights and six private terraces," Pacinelli said.

Parkridge Center Four is a six-story, 120,000 square foot Class-A office building just off the Dulles Toll Road at the corner of Hunter Mill Road and Sunrise Valley Drive in the Parkridge Center office park. Parkridge Center Four is owned and managed by Penzance Management and is currently 85% leased. Other tenants include Qwest, ScienceLogic, Avenity, GS5, and Logostech.

## Giving Circle of Hope Awards \$60,000 to 12 Organizations

The Reston Giving Circle of Hope is awarding \$60,000 to 12 nonprofit organizations in Northern Virginia that help people in need.

This is the seventh grant cycle for the Giving Circle of Hope, an organization of more than 100 members that was founded in 2004 to promote volunteerism and effective philanthropy. Members seek to make a difference in the community by contributing their time, talents and money to projects which encourage self-sufficiency and well-being among people in need in Northern Virginia.

Since its inception, the Giving Circle has awarded over \$350,000 through the grant program.

This year's recipients of \$5,000 grants are: Alternative House, Computer CORE, Empowered Women International, Friends of Guest House, Greenbrier Learning Center, Jeanie Schmidt Free Clinic, Just Neighbors, KEEN of Northern Virginia, Kids R First, Manassas Midwifery, NOVACO, Inc., and Stop Child Abuse NOW (SCAN).

## NEWS



Reston founder Robert Simon waves to the crowd at the Reston Holiday Parade Friday.



Dancers from the Reston Conservatory Ballet perform at the Reston Holiday Parade.

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## Reston on Parade

BY ALEX McVEIGH  
THE CONNECTION

For 7-year-old Dominick Shoff, carrying a float in his first Reston Holiday Parade in front of thousands of people wasn't even the best part of his day. Shoff, along with fellow scouts from Cub Scout Pack 1313 from Reston, had the most fun when it came time to jump on the float after the parade to push the helium out.

"My favorite part was getting all the air out, we got to jump all over it," Shoff said. "But it was also fun seeing my friends from school."

Shoff and Pack 1313 were only one of dozens of community groups that were represented at the parade, which took place on

**"It's sort of cool knowing that all those community leaders make an effort to come out and support the parade."**

— Reston resident Carlo Pippal

Black Friday at Reston Town Center. Led by marshals representing the original retailers from Reston Town Center, the parade featured everything from collectable cars to cheerleaders and multiple giant floats. Members of the Reston Association, the Initiative for Public Art Reston, the South Lakes High School Junior ROTC and the Fairfax County Police Department participated, as well as community leaders such as state Delegates Tom Rust (R-86) and Ken Plum (D-

36), Supervisor Cathy Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill), school board member Stuart Gibson (Hunter Mill) and Reston founder Robert Simon.

"It's sort of cool knowing that all those community leaders make an effort to come out and support the parade," said Reston resident Carlo Pippal. "It really shows that they are a part of this community, not just making decisions from afar."

Many Boy Scout and Cub Scout Groups participated, and the parade stopped on several occasions to allow various dance groups to perform. Swing dancing, ballet, cheerleaders and even a drill exercise from the South Lakes JROTC were part of the event.

"I liked when we got to stop and perform, so people could see everything we could do," said Joy Chappell, 16, who is part of Dance Xone Extreme, a studio in Fairfax. "It's also fun to see the younger girls get excited about performing in front of so many happy people."

Emily Keenan, 17, another member of Dance Xone Extreme, said "it's exciting to see everyone on the streets cheering from us, and you always end up seeing people you know."



Members of Reston Youth Cheerleading perform at the Reston Holiday Parade.

# Paisano's Pizza Helps Food for Others

Collecting canned goods for families in need.

BY BONNIE HOBBS  
THE CONNECTION

Besides serving its own customers every day, for the second year in a row, Paisano's is collecting canned and boxed food to help local people in need. Last year, it did so for St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church in Clifton, which gave these items to four charities, including Western Fairfax Christian Ministries (WFCM).

This time, Paisano's is collecting for Food for Others. Headquartered in Merrifield, it's a lifeline for the increasing number of Northern Virginia's working poor unable to provide food for their families. And Fouad Qreitem, Paisano's president and CEO, is happy to lend a hand.

From Nov. 26 through Dec. 19, area residents may donate canned or boxed food items at any of Paisano's six restaurants, including Paisano's in Reston and Herndon, plus Bella Pizza (also owned by Qreitem) in Centreville. Customers may also give these items to Paisano's drivers when they deliver carry out food.

As a Fairfax County native, Qreitem says he considers those who'll receive the food his "extended family." Besides that, he explained, "This should be something every small, successful business owner should do. Because we've been blessed and fortunate, we should pay it forward and help others."

**QREITEM HOPES** shoppers will just pick up a few extra items at the grocery store, while doing their own shopping, and contribute them to the cause. "We'll see that the products get into the hands of Food for Others so that needy families receive the donations," he said. "This is the time of year to be thankful; a canned ham, corn meal, pudding mix, fruit cocktail or something similar can make a real difference to those less fortunate."

Last year, through the efforts of Paisano's employees and the community, the company was able to amass nearly 10,000 cans, plus boxed food, to donate. This year, with more people than ever needing help, said Qreitem, "We hope to double that amount and donate 20,000 cans. Even though Northern Virginia is considered one of the wealthiest areas in the country, a great amount of citizens are living in poverty, struggling to feed themselves and their children."

Food for Others serves more than 2,000 families a month at their Merrifield warehouse, said Food for Others Executive Director Roxanne Rice. "Some are referred by social workers and others come for the USDA food program. Ninety-eight percent of our clients come from Fairfax, Arlington and Alexandria counties but, by far, the most come from Fairfax County."



**Roxanne Rice, Food for Others executive director, and Fouad Qreitem, Paisano's president and CEO.**

After hearing about Paisano's collection efforts last fall - and facing a severe food shortage - Food for Others contacted Qreitem and asked his organization for help. He agreed and, last week, visited Food for Others - and what he saw made a big impression on him.

"We were pretty blown away," he said. "While we were there, people - including children - were picking up food. This is something I watched firsthand, and it was humbling. Seeing people pick up cans and cereal there made it real for me. I know the cans we'll donate will really affect our neighbors' lives."

Qreitem also praised his customers for their generosity in past fund-raising efforts for a sick child and for the Police Unity Tour. "I want to thank them because they really come through for us, all the time," he said. "Whenever I think they can't do anything else, they always surprise us and support us even stronger; they're really wonderful people."

**PAISANO'S VIRGINIA** is on Facebook and it will post a weekly can-collection count there. As part of Paisano's "Can for a fan" promotion, for each person who becomes a fan of Paisano's Virginia on Facebook, Qreitem will donate a can on their behalf.

"Paisano's is representative of many community organizations, businesses, churches and schools that, together, help us provide the services we do to people in need," said Rice. "They're wonderful, and we're thrilled they're committed to doing as best they can. Paisano's wants to do even more than last year and, for that, we're grateful."

She said the majority of the food distributed by Food for Others is donated. "There's no way we could do it without all this help," said Rice. "Starting in October 2008, the numbers coming to us for help became unprecedented and they've not gone down."

She also noted that food donations are needed in the summer, as well. Said Rice: "We're so grateful for the generosity at this time of year, but want to remind people not to forget their neighbors, the rest of the year, too."

# Community Leader Mukit Hossain Dies

A local community leader Mukit Hossain died on Saturday, Nov. 27.

Mukit and his family - including his wife Sabrina Hossain and two daughters - were very active in community service, helping those in need, interfaith dialogue, and civic engagement.

Mukit was one of the founders of Project Hope and Harmony, which represents various faith communities, nonprofit organizations, and community volunteers who worked to create an organized day labor site in Herndon and provide social services to the workers.

In 2004 Hossain was named the Herndon Citizen of the Year and also recognized the Virginia State Senate in a Joint Resolution sponsored by Sen. Janet Howell (D-32) and Del. Tom Rust (R-86). Mukit

was also founder of Food Source Foundation, which provides meals to homeless people in Fairfax County, and was involved with food banks and Meals on Wheels.

In 2006, he worked with Jewish leaders to push for legislation in the Virginia General Assembly that made it a crime to mislabel halal or kosher products. In April of this year he was mentioned in the Washington Post as a man who filled a niche through providing organic-raised halal goat meat for the Muslim community.

Mukit was a former ADAMS (All Dulles Area Muslim Society) Social Activities Chairperson (2000-2002) and Former ADAMS Board Member (2003 to 2006).

Mukit shall be missed, however his contributions shall remain as a reminder of mercy, peace, citizenship, and harmony.

## Dorothy Mae Howard Brown, 79, Dies

Dorothy Mae Howard Brown of Herndon, formerly a resident of Hampton and Newport News, Va., died on Monday, Nov. 22, 2010. She worked for many years at the former Reston-Herndon Medical Center and then at a physician's office. She was born in Newport News, Va., on Aug. 18, 1931. She was predeceased by her loving husband of 50 years, Thomas E. Brown Sr.

She leaves behind three children, Thomas E. Brown Jr. (Judy)

of Bowie, Md., Ronald E. Brown (Kathy) of Herndon, and Mona D. Brown of Alexandria, Va., along with five grandchildren, two great grandchildren, five sisters-in-law, one brother-in-law, and many nieces, nephews, and other loving family and friends. Viewing was held on Saturday, Nov. 27, at Oak Grove Baptist Church, 22870 Dominion Lane in Sterling, followed by services.

Lyles Funeral Service, 1-800-388-1913.

## Doris Taylor, 69, of Sterling, Dies

Doris Taylor, 69, a resident of Sterling, died on Nov. 21. She is survived by one son, Darrell G. Warren, two grandchildren, LaTieya and Britain Warren, and one great-grandson, Jalen Lee Smith. She is survived by her siblings, Willie Forte of Georgia, Wilma King of Virginia and Sylvester Mines of Ohio; three sisters-in-law and a host of

nieces and nephews, family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her siblings, Chris and Lloyd Mines.

Viewing was held on Saturday, Nov. 27, followed by service at Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, 2516 Squirrel Hill Road in Herndon.

Lyles Funeral Service 1-800-388-1913

### FAITH NOTES

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

**The United Christian Parish** will hold four services on Christmas Eve, Friday, Dec. 24 at 11508 North Shore Drive, Reston. Children's Nativity Services will be at 4 and 5 p.m., and children will have

the opportunity to be participants in the story of the birth of Jesus Christ. The services at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. will include scripture lessons, music by adult and bell choirs, and candlelight. The United Christian Parish is an ecumenical church uniting four denominations: United Methodist, Presbyterian Church (USA), United Church of Christ, and Christian Church (Disciples of Christ.) 703-620-3065 or www.unitedchristianparish.org.

# OPINION

## Holiday Safety Net for Celebrating with Alcohol

Plan ahead, have a designated driver and carry the SoberRide number.

### Safely Home

Washington Regional Alcohol Program's 2010 Holiday SoberRide program will begin at 10 p.m., Friday, Dec. 17, 2010, and run through 6 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 1, 2011. To receive a free cab ride home up to a \$30 fare, call 800-200-8294. You must be 21 or older. WRAP needs sponsors and contributions to continue to offer this service. See [www.wrap.org](http://www.wrap.org) to contribute.

The season for holiday parties is upon us, and with it the increased incidence of driving under the influence. This year, with increased awareness about so-called "distracted driving," it's worth noting that both driving after drinking at a party and using your cell phone while you drive are behaviors you can control.

The possible consequences of driving drunk and underage drinking are often hard to comprehend, but the stories and grief of local families who have lost loved ones to such accidents provide a chilling reminder.

William Cameron Schlifke, born in Fairfax and a graduate of Robinson Secondary School, died Monday, Nov. 24, 2008, less than three days after he was rear-ended in Newport News. He was 22. Schlifke was serving as designated driver for friends in his fraternity at Christopher Newport University. The driver who crashed into him, 20 at the time and also a student at CNU, was arrested at the scene and charged with DUI refusal, reckless driving and underage possession of alcohol, and was convicted of manslaughter.

Unfortunately, such tragedy is not rare. In

fall 2008, a different young man from Fairfax was sentenced to three years in jail for involuntary manslaughter because of a drunk-driving accident on Dec. 3, 2007 that resulted in the death of one of his friends in the car and permanent injury for another. One family lost a beloved daughter after she clung to life for five brutal days; one family has seen their active son reduced to 70 pounds and "unresponsive" and living in a nursing home.

Such tragedies, if they do not touch us personally, often seem remote. Perhaps in these tough economic times, it's also worth adding up some the financial cost of an arrest for driving under the influence. In Fairfax County, there were more than 3,100 arrests for driving under the influence in 2008. In Arlington, 677 arrests. In Alexandria, 515 arrests. In the City of Fairfax, 181 arrests. Such an arrest is likely to cost as much as \$20,000 or more in legal fees. A conviction results in long term increases in insurances costs of \$1,500 a year or more. A conviction could result in losing a job. And once convicted you'll have to answer "yes" on any job application that asks if you have been convicted of a crime.

**DON'T TAKE THE RISK.** Plan ahead, leave your car at home, take public transportation, arrange for a designated driver, or choose to abstain if a designated driver isn't available.

But if you find yourself in the unfortunate position of drinking without a safe way home on your own this holiday season, the Washington Regional Alcohol Program has provided you with a safety net called SoberRide. Take their number with you when you head out, and be sure any young adults (must be 21 or over) in your family are similarly armed.

Founded in 1982, WRAP is a public-private partnership working to prevent drunk driving and underage drinking in the Washington-metropolitan area. The program gave more than 500 people a safe ride home on Halloween weekend this year.

Parents are well advised to talk to their teens and let them know that if they find themselves without a safe ride home, that they can call their parents to be picked up. There are consequences of binge drinking for teens that go beyond driving under the influence. But it is also important for parents to let their teens know that whatever happens, it is not OK to drink and drive or to get into a car driven by someone who has been drinking.

WRAP's 2010 Holiday SoberRide program is available beginning from 10 p.m., Friday, Dec. 17 to 6 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 1, 2011. To receive a free cab ride home (up to a \$30 fare), call 800-200-8294. You must be 21 or older. (Callers are responsible for anything over \$30.)

## Unraveling the Mysteries of Redistricting

By KENNETH R. "KEN"  
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### COMMENTARY

In the very near future Virginia will receive its official population numbers from the 2010 census. Our numbers are among the first to be issued because our off-year elections require us to redraw our legislative district lines in time for the 2011 fall elections. Follow the progress of the census results being made available at [www.census.gov/rdo](http://www.census.gov/rdo).

Preliminary estimates make it clear that Virginia will not be getting another federal Congressional seat. Our rate of growth relative to the Nation will keep our Congressional delegation at 11 members. Within the state there has been a substantial shift in population with the south central and western regions of the Commonwealth losing actual population or growing at a rate much less than the state as a whole. Northern Virginia especially Loudoun and Prince William counties experienced the greatest rate and number in population growth and can

expect an increase in legislative representation.

The purpose of legislative redistricting is to use the new census numbers to redraw legislative districts lines around an equal or nearly equal number of persons to make representation in the legislative bodies equal. "One man-one vote" as the Supreme Court termed the process. The total population number announced by the U.S. Census Bureau will be divided by 11 to determine the number of persons to be in each Congressional District, and the Supreme Court has decided that the each district must contain exactly that number of persons as practicable.

The total will be divided by 100 to determine the population of each House of Delegates district. In 2000 that number was 70,790; in 2010 it is expected to be about 78,911. The total divided by 40

senate districts will yield districts estimated at 197,277. The total numbers of seats in the House of Delegates and the State Senate are established in the State Constitution. Local governments will go through the same exercise to determine the population for equal magisterial or council districts.

The regular General Assembly session is scheduled to adjourn on Feb. 26. A special session is likely to be called for immediately after that for purposes of redistricting. The special session will be recessed then for the redistricting process to take place. A plan could be adopted as early as May or June. Federal law requires a review by the Justice Department under the Voting Rights Act to ensure that minorities are not unfairly disadvantaged under the new plan. It could also be challenged in federal court if the plan is alleged to violate the civil rights of some of the citizens. A final plan may not be known until July or August. The election calendar will be modified with the deadline for candidate selection moved to as late as Aug. 15 for the November election.

An excellent resource for learning more about the redistricting process can be found at <http://dlsgis.state.va.us/>. Click on Drawing the Line 2011. Another source of understanding the impact of population shifts can be found on the Virginia Public Access Project site at [www.vpap.org](http://www.vpap.org).

Of course, the description above is the technical part of redistricting. The part of the process that can have the greatest impact on individuals and communities is the partisanship that inevitably takes over when legislators attempt to draw district lines. "Gerrymandering" becomes part of the process as voters are included or excluded in a district based on their voting patterns. As some describe it, "legislators choose their voters rather than voters choosing their legislators." Legislation that I have introduced in the past and will introduce again this year would put the job into the hands of an independent commission. Hopefully this description will have removed some of the mystery of the redistricting process for you. Questions can be directed to me at [kenplum@aol.com](mailto:kenplum@aol.com).

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# OPINION

## Season for Giving and Remembering

BY JOHN LOVAAS  
RESTON IMPACT PRODUCER/HOST

On Saturday, Santa Claus will magically arrive by boat at Lake Anne's Washington Plaza at the stroke of noon. Last week was Thanksgiving. And, the weather is turning seriously colder. So, we know for sure the "holiday season" is upon us.

As noted in a recent column, it is unfortunately a time of year when the great and growing inequity in our society is more painfully apparent. While the wealthy circle their yachts and private jets to protect their birthright Bush tax cuts, millions of Americans have seen their jobs lost to corporate profiteering and are unable, literally, to put food on their family table or a roof over their heads. We have too many families, even in Reston, suffering in ways most of us can only imagine.

Fortunately, there are good charitable, non-profit groups in Reston who care and are working hard to ease the pain of our neighbors, bringing some cheer when most needed. But these groups have a critical need for our help in order to be able to deliver assistance. My personal favorite is Reston Interfaith, an extraordinary organization, founded in the new Town's (I wish!) early days by Reston's religious community. Today, RI's leadership is composed of the full range of faith communities. With our contributions and the help of hundreds of community volunteers working alongside their staff, Reston Interfaith provides: emergency shelter through the Embry Rucker



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help to vulnerable families such as bags of groceries, emergency utilities, clothing and school supplies. You can make a difference at this special time by contributing some cash, your time as a volunteer—or better yet, by doing both.

In the last few weeks our community has lost some of its brightest lights, folks who made a tremendous difference helping others. Among them:

Mukit Hossain-founder of Food Source to provide food to the hungry, and Project Hope and Harmony assisting and advocating for day laborers. In 2005, he was recognized as Herndon Citizen of the Year.

Ted Moline—long-time environmental activist, scout leader, volunteer for charitable groups such as the Lions Club, and progressive activist. Ted was a fixture at the Farmers Market, either for local Democrats or the Lions.

Esther Pank—After serving in the Army, Esther worked to promote peace, women's rights, protection for battered women and a wide range of social justice activities through the Unitarian Universalist Church.

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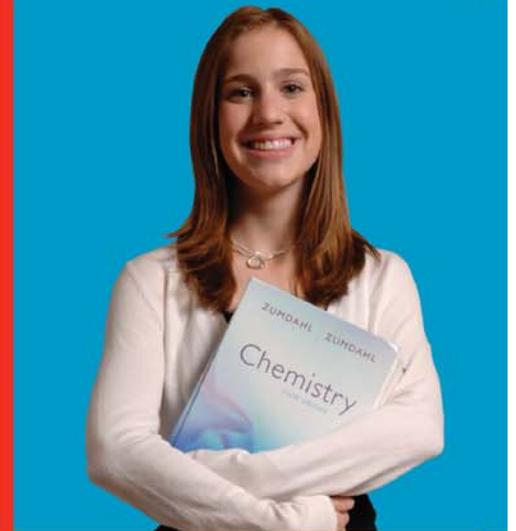
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## FAITH

# The Chanukah Miracle Revisited

BY RABBI LEIBEL  
FAJNLAND



I have been asked to explain the inner meaning of many Jewish observances, but eating potato latkes (pancakes) on Chanukah has never been one of them. After all, what is there not to understand? Take a bite, chew, and swallow. Repeat this several times until you have eaten six latkes too many.

Few have ventured into the deep mystical symbolism of the latke. But let me break with tradition.

I don't want to upset folks in Idaho, but the operative ingredient in the potato latke is not the potato; it's the oil. (Proof: Israelis eat the sufganiya - a deep fried pastry, also known as a jelly donut.)

To make a long story short: About two thousand years ago, after years of Greek oppression, the Jews revolted and were miraculously victorious. When they entered the Holy Temple in Jerusalem they found that everything had been defiled. The services could not be performed until ritually fit materials were procured. One jug of olive oil, necessary for the kindling of the great Menorah, was found still sealed by the High Priest. There was enough oil to light the menorah for only one day, but a miracle occurred and it lasted for eight days.

So, in addition to lighting the special Chanukah menorah for eight days, we indulge in potato latkes dripping in oil.

Why oil? Because oil, specifically olive oil, expresses the secret of survival. Olive oil is produced by crushing the olive. Even squeezing is not sufficient; this would produce mere olive juice. When the olive is crushed, the substance that floats on top is oil.

abalistically, this oil is a symbol of the essence of our soul. It may not be revealed at all times, but it is always there. It is our immutable connection with G-d.

There are times in our lives when the olive is crushed. We are placed under immense pressures from within and without, that challenge and pro-

## Community Chanukah Events

### OUTDOOR CHANUKAH FESTIVAL

**Thursday, Dec. 2, 6 p.m.** at the Lake Anne Waterfront and the Reston Community Center, 1609 Washington Plaza N # A in Reston.

Witness the lighting of a giant ice Menorah. Enjoy live family entertainment, prize drawings, hot chocolate, Chanukah donuts, latkes, chocolate gelt, free dreidels and balloons, Chanukah family film, and lots of holiday cheer for the whole family.

### FAMILY MENORAH WORKSHOP

**Sunday, Dec. 5, 10 a.m.-12 noon**, at the Home Depot, 1651 Reston Parkway.

Make your own menorah with many different materials. Make your own dreidel. Take part in an olive press workshop and press your own oil. Enjoy hot Latkes and much more. Admission is free, reservations at [www.chabadrh.org](http://www.chabadrh.org)

voke us. This was the story of Chanukah. It was then that a small courageous band of Jews took on the powerful Greek army who wished to obliterate their identity.

So often we live our lives without contemplating who we really are. How each of us has a unique and special contribution to make to the world. Yet when our very existence, as a person, and as a nation, is being challenged, it forces us to do just that. And to then fight if necessary to preserve our soul, humanity, and identity.

This is the oil; it hides and is almost invisible inside the fruit. But when push comes to shove, when it is broken and crushed, the essence comes out, and it floats on top of all else.

Preceding the Chanukah story, the Greeks instituted stifling decrees against Jewish observance. This challenge to Judaism called out the core spark of the Jewish people present in the depth of her soul. Jewish survival prevailed and we were granted a miracle of oil. Though the Holy Temple was eventually destroyed, and the seven-branched menorah is no longer lit. The Chanukah menorah of eight branches will continue to illuminate the night, and inspire us all to bring light and goodness to our darkened world.

Now, finish eating that latke before it gets cold!

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## FAITH NOTES

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

**Ladies Night Out: Evening in December.** Monday, Dec. 6 and Tuesday, Dec. 7 at Floris United Methodist Church, 13600 Frying Pan Road in Herndon. Holiday Marketplace and refreshments from 6-7:15 p.m., live entertainment 7:30-9:30 p.m. Music by Grammy nominee Kathy Troccoli, message by Christian humorist and author Ellie Lofaro. 703-793-0026 or [www.florismc.org](http://www.florismc.org).

**Minister Regina Boyd, M.Div.** will lead an Advent Discussion Group on Dec. 4 and Dec. 14 at 7 p.m. at Panera Bread, 460 Elden St., Herndon. The topic will be "Locating Our Theological World in Preparation for the Coming Christ." Contact 703-758-0527 or [capucc21@gmail.com](mailto:capucc21@gmail.com).

**The United Christian Parish** will hold four services on Christmas Eve, Friday, Dec. 24 at 11508 North Shore Drive, Reston. Children's Nativity Ser-

VICES will be at 4 and 5 p.m., and children will have the opportunity to be participants in the story of the birth of Jesus Christ. The services at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. will include scripture lessons, music by adult and bell choirs, and candlelight. The United Christian Parish is an ecumenical church uniting four denominations: United Methodist, Presbyterian Church (USA), United Church of Christ, and Christian Church (Disciples of Christ.) 703-620-3065 or [www.unitedchristianparish.org](http://www.unitedchristianparish.org).

**St. Timothy's Episcopal Church**, 432 Van Buren St. in Herndon, presents "Journey to Adulthood", a comprehensive Christian Education for youth in grades 6-12. It uses Bible study, prayer, rites of passage, outreach ministries and both serious and playful activities to underscore its core message that adulthood must be earned.

**Bright Pond Bible Study** presents their 12th year of Bible study, a non-denominational group of women searching the Bible for God's truth. Meeting at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 1133 Reston Ave. in Herndon, starting 9:30 a.m. Sept. 22.

[bbpbiblestudy@aol.com](mailto:bbpbiblestudy@aol.com).

**Floris United Methodist Church**, 13600 Frying Pan Road in Herndon, holds worship services at 8 a.m., 9:15 a.m., 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Sundays with a Latino service on Saturdays at 7 p.m. 703-793-0026 or [www.florismc.org](http://www.florismc.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](http://www.hopefellowshipchurchloudoun.org).

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

# BULLETIN BOARD

To have community events listed in the Connection, send to [reston@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:reston@connectionnewspapers.com). Deadline is Friday.

## MONDAY/DEC. 6

**Ezra Klein, Washington Post and Newsweek economics and domestic affairs columnist.** 8 p.m. at Northern Virginia Hebrew Congregation, 1441 Wiehle Ave., Reston. "The Economic Recovery, Its Consequences and How They Will Alter Our Lives: A Post Election Analysis." Free and open to the public. 703-437-7733.

## TUESDAY/DEC. 7

**Homework Made Simple.** 9 p.m. The Auburn School, 13525 Dulles Technology Drive, Herndon. Tips, tools and strategies for students who struggle with executive functioning. [www.theauburnschool.org/forms](http://www.theauburnschool.org/forms).

**Town Hall on Proposed Government Contracting Cuts.** 7 p.m. at Tysons Corner. With Delegate Barbara Comstock, 34th District, Va. House of Delegates, and former congressman Tom Davis. 703-209-3787 or [bcomstock@delegatecomstock.com](mailto:bcomstock@delegatecomstock.com).

## WEDNESDAY/DEC. 8

**Moms Club of Reston.** 10 a.m. at the Hunter's Woods Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. An international non-profit organization providing support for mothers. Playgroups, babysitting co-op, regular monthly activities and events, moms' night out and more. [momsclubofreston@yahoo.com](mailto:momsclubofreston@yahoo.com).

**Advisory Committee for Students with Disabilities Monthly Meeting.** 7:30 p.m. Gatehouse Administrative Center, Room 1600, 8115 Gatehouse Road, Falls Church. [www.fcps.edu/dss/ACSD](http://www.fcps.edu/dss/ACSD).

## THURSDAY/DEC. 9

**Lupus Support Group.** 12 p.m. at Reston Hospital Center, The West Wing, 1850 Town Center Parkway, Reston. [lh@ascendcomm.com](mailto:lh@ascendcomm.com) or [www.lupusgw.org](http://www.lupusgw.org).

## MONDAY/DEC. 13

**NARFE Dulles Chapter 1241 Luncheon Meeting.** 1 p.m. Amphora Diner, 1151 Elden St., Herndon. Installation of 2011 officers. Music by pianist Ernest Smith and The Chorus of Old Dominion. 703-435-3523.

**Herndon Woman's GFWC Virginia Club Meeting.** 7 p.m. Dranesville Elementary School, 1515 Powells Tavern Place, Herndon. With speaker GFWC International President Carlene Garner. [www.herndonwomensclub.com](http://www.herndonwomensclub.com) or 703-444-4511.

## WEDNESDAY/DEC. 15

**The Advisory Board of the Northwest Center for Mental Health Services.** 7-9 p.m. at Northwest Center for Community Mental Health, 1850 Cameron Glen, Reston. Volunteers are needed to serve and act as advocates for women's shelters, homeless shelters, etc. The Board meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month. Contact Cleveland at 703-435-0868 or [leaderwilliams@gmx.com](mailto:leaderwilliams@gmx.com).

## THURSDAY/DEC. 16

**Committee for Dulles Luncheon.** 11:30 a.m. Hyatt Dulles, 2300 Dulles Corner Blvd., Herndon. Dulles Airport Manager Chris Browne's annual update. \$45-\$60. [www.committeefordulles.org](http://www.committeefordulles.org).

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## GIFT GUIDE

# Wine Gifts for the Holidays

BY MIKE POTASHNIK AND DON WINKLER  
INTERNATIONAL WINE REVIEW

**W**hy not give wine for the Holidays? Wine makes a great gift. Both the casual wine drinker and the seasoned wine enthusiast will be excited to receive a gift of wine.

Local wine shops are a great place to browse for that special wine gift. One of the many benefits of living in Northern Virginia and Maryland is the abundance of choices of wines from all over the world and at every price level.

Make your gifts exotic by choosing wines from lesser known countries and producers. Some countries like Argentina and Chile are well known for their wines, whereas Austria and Portugal are relatively new international producers.

Of course, which wine you buy as a gift depends on both your pocketbook and the person you're giving to. We usually think of wine-drinkers as falling into three categories: The Casual Wine Drinker,

who may not know the difference between Chardonnay and Pinot Grigio. Serious Wine Drinkers, who know what they like but pretty much limit themselves to the popular brands. And the Semi-Pro who knows wine and probably has more than a few bottles stashed in a wine cooler, closet or cellar.

Let's consider which wines each of these might like to receive for the Holidays. We've limited our choices to wines that should be available in most good wine stores. All prices are retail prices recommended by the winery or importer; the shelf price is often lower.

**THE CASUAL WINE DRINKER.** While you might not be spending lots of money on the casual wine drinker, you can still give a bottle that will give a lot of pleasure. Stick with the well-known varietals, but find a new producer or new region. Argentine Malbec would fit the bill.

Ask your purveyor for a mid-priced Malbec from a producer like Andeluna, Salentein, or Doña Paula. We recently tasted the 2009 Doña Paula Los Cardos Malbec and especially like it. Best of all, it costs

just \$10 a bottle.

Everyone these days loves Pinot Noir, and a good one for the casual drinker has been produced by Carneros winemaker, Sean Minor. His 2009 4 Bears Pinot Noir (\$17) is ripe, flavorful and fleshy and is unbeatable for the price.

A good, sparkling wine is another option. One that all casual wine drinkers would love is the Roederer Estate (\$18) from California's Anderson Valley.

If your friend prefers white wines, try a cool coastal Chardonnay from California. When we visited the Santa Lucia Highlands last year we enjoyed the 2008 Mer Soleil Barrel Fermented Chardonnay (\$19). While a little more pricey than the other wines recommended here, it's a sure thing.

**THE SERIOUS WINE DRINKER.** The Serious Wine Drinker is likely to be a little more open than the Casual Wine Drinker to trying something new. Here we recommend you find something that will stretch his or her wine knowledge just a bit. Our first

choice might be a different varietal from a reliable producer. One such bottle we tasted this past year is Montes Alpha Carmenere (\$19) from Chile. It's a reasonably priced, delicious, full-bodied red wine from a very good Chilean winery. (We also offer many suggestions on pairing Carmenere and food on our website [www.i-wine.com](http://www.i-wine.com).) Among white wines, we'd recommend an Austrian Grüner Veltliner such as Anton Bauer's 2009 Rosenberg Reserve (\$24) or other Anton Bauer cuvees. They combine flavor, acidity, and minerality that is hard to find in one bottle.

Red table wine from Portugal would also be different. We recommend the 2008 Quinta Vale Meão Meandro (\$20), the 2008 Quinta do Vallado Tinto (\$29), or the Herdade do Esporão Reserva (\$21) all wines which have abundant red and black fruit, spice, and complex flavors.

**THE SEMI-PRO.** The Semi-Pro is the most difficult to buy for. If you have lots to spend, you can pick a top end wine that is certain not to disappoint. The 2008 Phelps Insig-



Mike Patashnik and Don Winkler of International Wine Review offer tips for the gift of wine this holiday season.

nia (\$185) is one such wine – expensive but worth it, and the person receiving it will recognize both its quality and value. If your pocketbook is looking for something a little lower in price, there are many options. Everyone loves a good Oregon Pinot Noir, and Cristom produces some of the best. The 2007 Cristom Marjorie Vineyard Pinot Noir (\$50) is exceptionally good, but so are Cristom's other bottlings, (reviews at [www.i-wine.com](http://www.i-wine.com)).

Another option is a rich, full-bodied Ribera del Duero wine like the 2006 Bodegas Condado de Haza

Crianza (\$30) or the 2006 Cyclo (\$51). If these specific bottlings are not available in your local store, ask for something similar from Ribera del Duero.

Another terrific wine gift is an introductory subscription to the International Wine Review, just \$25 for six months. Purchase online at [www.i-wine.com](http://www.i-wine.com).

Mike Patashnik and Don Winkler have for the past twenty years traveled the globe and tasted thousands of wines in search of the best wines and innovative winemakers to recommend to consumers and wine professionals. They have published the International Wine Review, based in McLean, since 2005.

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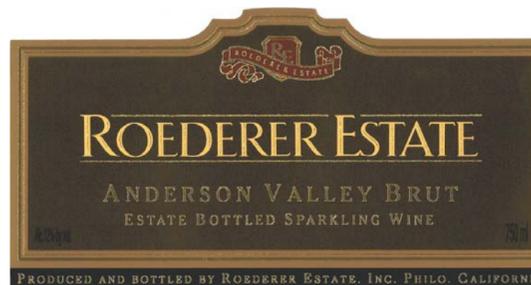
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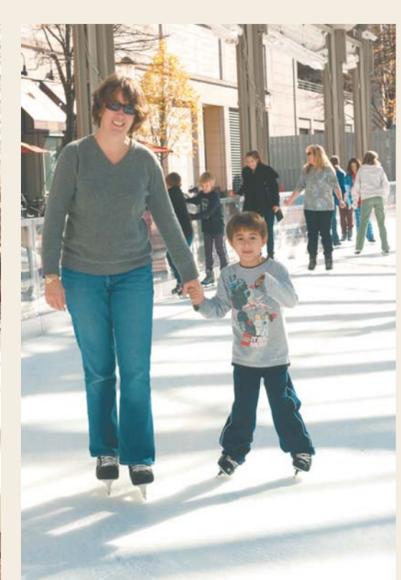
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Keely Mullis of Washington DC (left) and Danielle Barbera of Great Falls enjoy the great weather by stopping by the Reston Town Center and watching the children ice skate.



Oliver Cervantes is here with his mother Gretchen, a former ice hockey player, for the first skate of the season. They are from Vienna.

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**R**eston Community Center's 12th Annual Gifts from the HeART Fine Arts Exhibit will be held from Nov. 29 through Jan. 3, 2011 at RCC Lake Anne's Jo Ann Rose Gallery. All are invited to a festive opening reception on Saturday, Dec. 4, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. for holiday refreshments. Entry fees and ten percent of all sales for this exhibit are donated to Reston Interfaith to continue their important work, including the Embry Rucker Community Shelter, the Laurel Learning Center and their Community Services Outreach, which includes job counseling, emergency food, and youth programs.

The exhibit showcases original works of fine art in a variety of media, including oil, acrylic, watercolor, collage, and stained glass, in a wide range of sizes and prices. Many of the ceramic pieces and sculptures available for sale were created during classes and open studios at the Reston Community Center Lake Anne.

"This exhibit is unique and wonderful because it offers



**Ceramic Piece by Guy Zoller, River Water Art Works, Reston.**

unique handcrafted gifts perfect for this Holiday season," said Cheri Danaher, RCC's Arts Education Director. "More importantly, it provides participating artists and community members an opportunity to support the important work of Reston Interfaith."

For more information regarding the exhibit or the opening reception on Dec. 4, call Cheri Danaher at 703-390-6175.

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**"Sweetie's Healthy Start."** 2 p.m. Reston Museum, 1639 Washington Plaza, Reston. Book talk and signing by author Terlene Terry-Todd of Sterling. 703-709-7700 or [www.restonmuseum.org](http://www.restonmuseum.org).

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## 2010 Reston Association CALL FOR BOARD CANDIDATES

In Spring of 2011, Restonians will elect two Reston Association Board members - one from the Hunters Woods/Dogwood District and one At-Large Director, each serving a three-year term. The RA Board of Directors determines the Association's goals, policies and makes a significant and lasting contribution to the community.

Reston Association Members are invited to attend an Election Information Session on **Wednesday, Dec. 15, 2010, 7 p.m.** at Reston Association, 12001 Sunrise Valley Drive Reston, VA 20191-3404.

For additional information please contact **Cate Fulkerson** [cate@reston.org](mailto:cate@reston.org) or 703-435-6512.



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**Handel's Messiah Sing-along.** 7:30 p.m. Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. With the Reston Chorale and the Reston Community Orchestra. \$10. Rental scores available. [lindacke@verizon.net](mailto:lindacke@verizon.net).

**Flutopia.** 8 p.m. at George Mason University Concert Hall, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. With flute students from Mason's School of



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**The Honey Dewdrops.** 7:15 p.m. at The Folk Club of Reston-Herndon, in the Back Room of The Tortilla Factory, 648 Elden St., Herndon. Laura Wortman and Kagey Parrish, a husband and wife folk singer-

songwriter duet from Charlottesville. \$9 members, \$10 non-members. [DAHurdSr@cs.com](mailto:DAHurdSr@cs.com).

## FRIDAY/DEC. 10

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## Jingle on the Lake Holiday Event

Lake Anne Waterfront will host the kick off of the holidays on Dec. 4 with Jingle on Lake Anne - a Holiday Event Celebration taking place from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Community organizers and plaza retailers will host a variety of festive activities ranging from a special visit from Santa (arriving on a lake barge), strolling carolers, a petting zoo, wine tastings, merchant specials, a gingerbread house decorating contest, cookie decorating, holiday arts and crafts market, holiday entertainment and much more.

The 1st Annual Gingerbread House Decorating Contest (taking place during this event) will bring an opportunity for locals to design a personal/favorite

Reston landmark into a gingerbread house. Lake Anne invites the community to submit a gingerbread scene to be judged by a local panel of experts. People are encouraged to select a Reston scene or an event from history illustrations and get to decorating. Rules for entry and additional details are located at [www.lakeanneplaza.com](http://www.lakeanneplaza.com). This activity is sponsored by [www.allrestonrealestate.com](http://www.allrestonrealestate.com).

The holiday event is sponsored and hosted by Lake Anne Merchants. Event Schedule:

11 a.m.-3 p.m. - Holiday Arts & Crafts Market, Petting Zoo, Ginger Bread Decorating Contest & Cookie Decorating (until 2 p.m.), Plaza Activities  
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West Ox Road, Herndon. Live music by the Bogwanderers Ceili Band & Friends. \$12-\$35. [www.ccepotomac.org](http://www.ccepotomac.org) or 703-521-4340.

**Synergy Brass Quintet: "Christmas in Brass."** 8 p.m. at George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Brass arrangements of Bach's choral works, Handel's triumphant "Messiah" and a selection of classic Christmas carols. \$22-\$44, youth through grade 12 half price. Tickets available at 888-945-2468 or [cfa.gmu.edu](http://cfa.gmu.edu).

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## GIVING THANKS IN RESTON

There was an error in processing the following two responses in the last week's Giving Thanks in Reston story.



**Bill Bouie**

(pictured at 9 months old)

1. I will give thanks this year for the health of my family, living in the greatest country on Earth, and being able to sit down with my 89-year-old Mom and my brother and celebrate my favorite holiday. I will attend my 38th Thanksgiving Day game featuring the Detroit Lions. Could this be the year that they start winning again?

2. I am thankful for living in Reston because it is a caring community where people look out for each other, and everyone is invested in the community which started as a dream of Bob Simon's and continues today.

3. I would tell them to do a couple of things to get ready for the holidays.

First of all, volunteer to read to the young children that participate in the programs at Reston Interfaith. Secondly, I would tell them to go to the Reston Community Center on Thanksgiving morning with about 300 volunteers and collect and sort food to be distributed during the holidays to those that are less fortunate or just having a hard time.

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## Insurance Assurance



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Though I once sold life and health insurance for a living – and still maintain my license by fulfilling Continuing Education requirements every two years, I am no longer in “the business.” As a result, I know much less about policies and procedures now than I once did. And what policies and procedures I did know about – then, I knew primarily about “individual” life and health insurance as opposed to Group/Business/Employer-provided insurance. Factor in recent White House-initiated and recently passed Health Insurance legislation, euphemistically – and often disparagingly – referred to as, “Obama care,” and what little I did know/remember has been overtaken by what I don’t know.

Throw into this vat of change and uncertainty, the fact that I am an active cancer patient – undergoing treatment still, chemotherapy (\$7,500 per session) every three weeks, covered by a Group Health insurance plan provided by my “small” employer at Connection Newspapers, whose annual health insurance renewal is up now, and perhaps you can guess the anxiety and worry I’ve been experiencing of late: What if the coverage is dropped? What if the coverage is maintained but the price and/or benefits are modified – for the worse, because of my treatment and the average age of our group? Alternatively, what if the company changes insurers and I have to change oncologists? And if there is new coverage, given the size of our group, will my pre-existing condition be excluded? Not covered for 90 days? Or prohibitively expensive?

So you can imagine my relief when quite unexpectedly, I received my new health insurance identification card in the mail recently. It is from the same HMO/insurer whose oncologist has been treating me since Feb. 27, 2009, when my Internal Medicine doctor called to tell me the results of my week-previous biopsy, that the pain I had initially felt in my rib cage – two months prior (the time it took to be assessed and scanned by multiple doctors and machines to get to this current point), was unfortunately a malignant tumor. At that point, having health insurance mattered more to me than almost anything; my treatment could proceed without consideration of coverage and/or cost, and so it has.

Until possibly now. Or so I thought, given all the changes in the industry, and of course, the new legislation. But I tried not to think about it too much because it was mostly out of my control. And for cancer patients (maybe any terminal patient, or so I’ve been told), controlling what you can and letting go of what you can’t, is an adage to live by. Still, I was mindful of the calendar knowing that sometime in the fall, our policy renews/we shop carriers, and that change sometimes happens.

But since I’m scheduled for chemotherapy tomorrow, I can’t worry about it too much today. However, I haven’t been sleeping very well of late. Perhaps that was my insurance-coverage subconscious worried about its insured’s consciousness? No more. I have my new card. I have my new (same old) coverage. I don’t have to change doctors, change facilities, change how I buy my medication. The only thing I have to change is how much I co-pay, co-insure and premium-pay. Neither of which is an improvement/enhancement over my previous coverage. Nevertheless, it’s change I can live with, hopefully for a long time.

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# SPORTS



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**The Reston Wildfire, a U-13 elite girls' travel soccer team from the Reston Soccer Association, won the Hunt Country Classic Tournament last weekend in Warrenton. The Wildfire was undefeated in four games in the Elite Division of the two-day tournament. The team advanced to the championship game on Sunday afternoon and defeated the current West Virginia state champions, 2-1, in a thrilling match. The Wildfire, a travel team in the Washington Area Girls Soccer League (WAGS), recently concluded its fall season in which they lost just one game. The team is led by coach Adam Schulman and assistant coach Ramsey Meiser. The girls on the team come from Great Falls, Mclean, Reston, Chantilly, Sterling, Oak Hill, Oakton and Herndon.**

**The Herndon Hawks'** 12-and-under travel baseball team won the National League's Central Division of the Old Dominion Baseball League (ODBL) this fall season. The Hawks, in the league's 19-team postseason tournament, finished third overall. For the season, Herndon went 19-5 and scored 216 runs (9 runs per game) while allowing 96 (4 per game). The team's coaching staff consists of manager Shawn Boynton, assistants RJ House and John Broussard, and bench coach Adam Boynton. The Hawks are spon-

## SPORTS BRIEFS

sored by Al's Towing and Omia's Grille.

**Herndon High cheer team** captured first place at the Northern Region championships held at Robinson Secondary. The Hornets edged runner-up Fairfax by one point to garner the crown. Herndon cheer is under the leadership of head coach Jenny Goff. The Hornets went on to compete at the Virginia State Championships at the Siegel Center in Richmond.

**Herndon High School** recently announced the hiring of Dave Baggetta as its' new boys la-

crosse coach. Coach Baggetta is coming back to the Hornets' Nest where he served as the head coach from 2001-2003. In recent years, he has coached at Robinson and South County Secondary schools.

**Bridgewater College senior** football linebacker T.J. Montague (Reston) earned First Team All-ODAC honors after a standout season for the Eagles. Montague was a standout at linebacker for the Eagles, leading his position teammates with 85 tackles on the year. He recorded 11 tackles and forced a fumble against Washington and Lee, and posted a season-high 13 tackles at Randolph-Macon. T.J. is the son of Melanie Holmes of Reston.

**Thomas Jefferson High** cross country runner Jonathan Phillips, of Herndon, has been named both All-Northern Region and All-State this fall. Phillips placed an outstanding place ninth at the State AAA Championships.

Meanwhile, the Thomas Jefferson varsity girls' team finished out its season by taking second place at the Northern Region championships and fourth at states.

Congratulations to the Jefferson varsity girls team of Sarah Stites (Reston), Stephanie Marzen, Rachel Kuprenas, Kelly Rogers, Sarah Nielsen (Reston), Rekha Schnepf, and Lisa Junta that went undefeated through districts.

Also at states, the South Lakes High boys' team took ninth place. The Seahawks were made up of Will Sickenberger, Nick Guarnaccia, Austin Leggett, Alex Clough, Andy Reinhold, Kevin Muir, and Michael McHugh.



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**Herndon Pegasus, a premier U12 girls' travel team which went undefeated this fall season, was a finalist at the Nov. 20-21 Hempfield Soccer Tournament in Lancaster, Pa. The team played 11 versus 11 against teams from Maryland and Pennsylvania. Pictured, in the back row, left to right are Emily Jones, Kate Colclough, DJ Chi, Leah Fri, Cara McFerren, Erica Griffith, Cabrey Keller, and Kelsey Kiley. Middle row: Caroline Glazier, Annie Colclough, Seanna Adam, Mia DiTommaso, Maddy Patrick, Kiley Lanigan, and Renee Kohler. In the front, center is Ashley Wilson.**

# Christensen Makes Top 30

**F**ormer University of Virginia women's swimmer Mei Christensen, a South Lakes High graduate who completed her eligibility on the UVA swim team in 2010, was selected as a Top 30 honoree for the National Collegiate Athletic Association's Woman of the Year award. The award honors female student-athletes who have distinguished themselves throughout their college careers in the areas of academic achievement, athletics excellence, community service and leadership.

"It is obvious by her academic and athletic accomplishments that Mei Christensen is a champion and fierce competitor in the classroom and in the water," said UVA Athletics Director Craig Littlepage. "Few student-athletes have compiled a more impressive resume. She is one of our program's all-time greats."

The Top 30 honorees, nominated by conference and independent members, are representative of multiple sports. Three finalists (3 each from NCAA Div. 1, 2 and 3) will be chosen to form the nine finalists for the Woman of the Year award.

The national winner will be chosen by the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics.

"I am extremely surprised and honored to be selected as one of the Top 30 female student-athletes for Woman of the Year," said Christensen. "It's neat to look back at past winners and all the schools they represent. I am honored to be in the running."

Christensen repeated as the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) Swimmer of the Year in 2010 and was also tabbed the conference's scholar-athlete of the year for women's swimming and diving.

The Reston native defended her ACC individual titles in both the 100 and 200 backstroke events and claimed league championships as part of the 200 freestyle, 200 medley and 400 medley relay teams.

As a team captain in 2010, Christensen led the Virginia women's squad to its third consecutive conference title - a first in program history.

The Cavaliers went on to place ninth at the NCAA Championships, their best finish since 1988.

"It is a tremendous honor for the University of Virginia and all student-athletes who represent our school in competition for Mei to be honored in this way," said Virginia head coach Mark Bernardino. "Obviously, Mei's athletics accomplishments throughout her storied career have been well chronicled. What has not been as well chronicled is her work as a human being in the Charlottesville and University communities as well as her exceptional academic achievement. We are extremely proud of Mei and all she has accomplished as a student, person and athlete."

Christensen went on to pick up All-America honors in the 100 backstroke, 200 backstroke, 200 freestyle relay, 400 freestyle relay and 400 medley relay at the 2010 NCAA Championships.

She finished her career at UVA as the school and conference record holder in the 100 and 200 backstroke events, as well as the 200 medley, 400 medley, 200 freestyle and 400 freestyle relays. She earned eight career All-American and four honorable mention All-American honors and was a 12-time ACC champion. A recipient of the ACC's Weaver-James-Corrigan postgraduate scholarship, Christensen was named to the ACC Academic Honor Roll four times.

In addition to being named the conference's swimmer of the year in 2009 and 2010, Christensen earned a spot on the United States National Team in the 100-meter backstroke. She was also selected as the 2009 ACC Swimmer of the Championships.

Christensen was actively involved in University and Charlottesville community service endeavors. She was a member of UVA's Student Athlete Advisory Committee for two years and participated with the Madison House Boosters as part of Cavs in the Classroom. She also served as a Big Sister to the CYAC Swim Team and was involved with the Special Olympics 10K Run.

Christensen earned her bachelor's degree in psychology in May of 2010. She is currently enrolled in UVA's Curry School of Education and is slated to receive her master's degree this month.

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Friends of Andy Wells began receiving friend requests on Facebook from Andy Wells, with this photo as a profile picture. Wells died July 27, 1990 and on the 20th anniversary of his death, his mother and several friends set up a Facebook page to remember him.



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## Friends Remember, Reconnect

BY ALEX McVEIGH  
THE CONNECTION

This past summer, a friend request popped up on Reston native Sean Bedinger's computer, from his high school friend Andy Wells. The profile was complete with a picture of Wells as he was at 19, holding a surfboard. What gave Bedinger pause was the fact that Wells died 20 years ago.

"I tried to avoid social networking like the plague for reasons like this, I was thinking someone was trying to hack into accounts using Andy's name," Bedinger said.

But the truth behind the account was something far more significant, something that brought together friends and families from generations past, all of whom had a connection with Wells.

The account was set up by Ellen Perrins, Andy's mother, and friends Brian McCracken and Brien Stewart, to create a living memorial for their son and friend 20 years after his death.

"The anniversary came up so quickly, and a lot of people had fallen out of the loop, but we wanted to get everyone back together for Andy," McCracken said. "We didn't want to be selfish, I checked with Andy's mom and some friends to make sure it wouldn't be taken the wrong way, but almost everyone was on board with it."

**THEY BEGAN** to sift through the details of Wells' life, collecting photographs and stories, and Perrins provided a biography for the site that contained a lot of information most of Wells' friends didn't know.

"We all learned a lot of things we never knew about Andy," McCracken said.

Perrins said she was hesitant at first to work on the bio, but "once I started, it all came pouring out, it brought memories back, and it was kind of nice to remember where he was at different ages."

Wells, who attended South



Sean Bedinger, friend of Andy Wells and his mother, Ellen Perrins got back in contact due to a Facebook page set up 20 years after Wells' death.



From left, Steve Howd and Brian McCracken catch up at Andy Wells' gravesite at Fairfax Memorial Park on the 20th anniversary of his death.

Lakes High School, was killed in a car crash July 27, 1990, and the accident shook his friends to the core. Most were too young to even comprehend the tragedy, and the Facebook page helped them sort out their feelings from so long ago.

"We just weren't emotionally mature enough to convey the extent of devastation we all felt," Bedinger said. "Andy was really a brother to us all."

For Steve Howd, the accident caused him to leave Reston and its painful memories for good, but due to the Facebook page, they

were able to reconnect.

"When Andy died, I just left, I didn't want to have anything to do with Reston," said Howd, who now lives in Tennessee. "I hadn't talked to most people, including Andy's mom in more than 20 years."

The page brought together many people who went to South Lakes High School with Wells, or knew him when he lived in Charleston, S.C., or knew his band the Learning Disability kids, LD

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This drain was spray-painted after Andy Wells died in 1990, by his friends as a tribute.

## A Friend Remembered

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Kids for short.

Perrins says she has enjoyed hearing stories about her son, such as the girl who says Wells was her first kiss, people that were in the audience when the LD Kids played at Hunters Woods "Jam for Man" concert and the tattoos shared by a select group of Wells' friends that said "BTTE," short for "brothers to the end." Soon photographs started appearing on the page that Perrins and many of Wells' friends didn't even know existed, whether it was from a concert in Washington, D.C., photos of Wells sitting on a couch talking on the phone or one from several days after Wells died, when his friends spray-painted a water drain in Lake Thoreau with "All the kids love Andy." "I've heard stories that I would have been so angry about 20 years ago, but now they just make me laugh," Perrins said. "Now it's just another memory I have of my son."

**FRIENDS** say that their impressions of Wells aren't just nostalgia 20 years after the fact, they say Wells brought people from many different cliques, whether the punk rockers, jocks, metal kids and anyone else. "He was just a very warm, gentle person that

brought so many people together, even 20 years later," Perrins said. "I had a great time seeing all these people again, seeing what they grew up to be, seeing them have kids and families of their own."

Howd said that the only people that didn't like Wells were the ones that didn't know him.

"Anybody that was at odds with Andy didn't know him at all, they just judged him because he once had a mohawk, or wore a leather jacket," he said.

The Facebook page was set up a few weeks before the actual 20th anniversary of Wells' death, and helped let people know about the reunion of sorts that was being held. Friends from across the country traveled back to Reston, back to the Fairfax Memorial Park to Wells' gravesite to pay their respects.

After the memorial service, friends gathered at a nearby bar to share stories and catch up on old times. Perrins put together a cassette tape of recorded LD Kids songs and handed them out. She even listened to all the songs and transcribed the lyrics as best she could for the liner notes.

As the sun rose the morning after the celebration of Wells' life, words could be seen spray-painted on the same drain in the middle of Lake Thoreau: "All the kids still love Andy."

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**The Reston Association Board of Directors** will be holding a Special Meeting at 9 a.m. at the Nature House, 11450 Glade Drive in Reston. The purpose of the special meeting is to discuss and consider revising the 2011 capital

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