

Student Design Model
Shannon Bush is a
senior at Robinson
Secondary walks the
catwalk at the annual
DECA Fashion Show.

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FCPS Releases Its Recommendations

Clifton students would move to Fairview, Oak View and Union Mill next year.

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE
THE CONNECTION

Fairfax County Public Schools staff will present a final proposal for elementary school redistricting in the central and southwestern portions of the county to the local school board at an evening meeting on Jan. 20.

If implemented, the redistricting plan would change boundaries for 21 schools communities located in Centreville, Chantilly, Clifton, Fairfax, Fairfax Station, Burke and Springfield. The school system would also spend \$15.1 million on building additions, interior school modifications and the relocation of modular classrooms at a handful of campuses, according to documents posted on the school system's website.

The School Board launched an elementary school boundary study for central and southwestern Fairfax in order to address severe overcrowding at schools serving the Route 29 area in Fairfax. Staff predicts Eagle View Elementary would reach 144 percent of its capacity and Greenbriar East would reach 124 percent of its capacity by 2015 if the School Board took no action.

The School Board has scheduled public hearings on the proposal for Feb. 7 and 8 at Jackson Middle School in Falls Church. It is schedule to vote on the boundary pro-

posal on Feb. 24.

The final recommendation is slightly different from the most recent iteration that was released in December, which staff had called "option d."

Under the proposal released this week, Clifton students — whose school is scheduled to close — would move to Union Mill, Fairview and Oak View elementary schools for the next school year. The previous recommendation had shown Clifton students attending Union Mill, Fairview and Sangster elementary schools. Now, Sangster would undergo no boundary changes at all.

"The projections don't show enough room at Sangster to make that work. There is a pretty large special education population. ... It is a little bit too full. We heard from the Sangster community that they were concerned about the space," said Dean Tistadt, the school system's chief operating officer.

IN ADDITION TO Clifton, some students from Fairview Elementary School would also move to Oak View under the new pro-

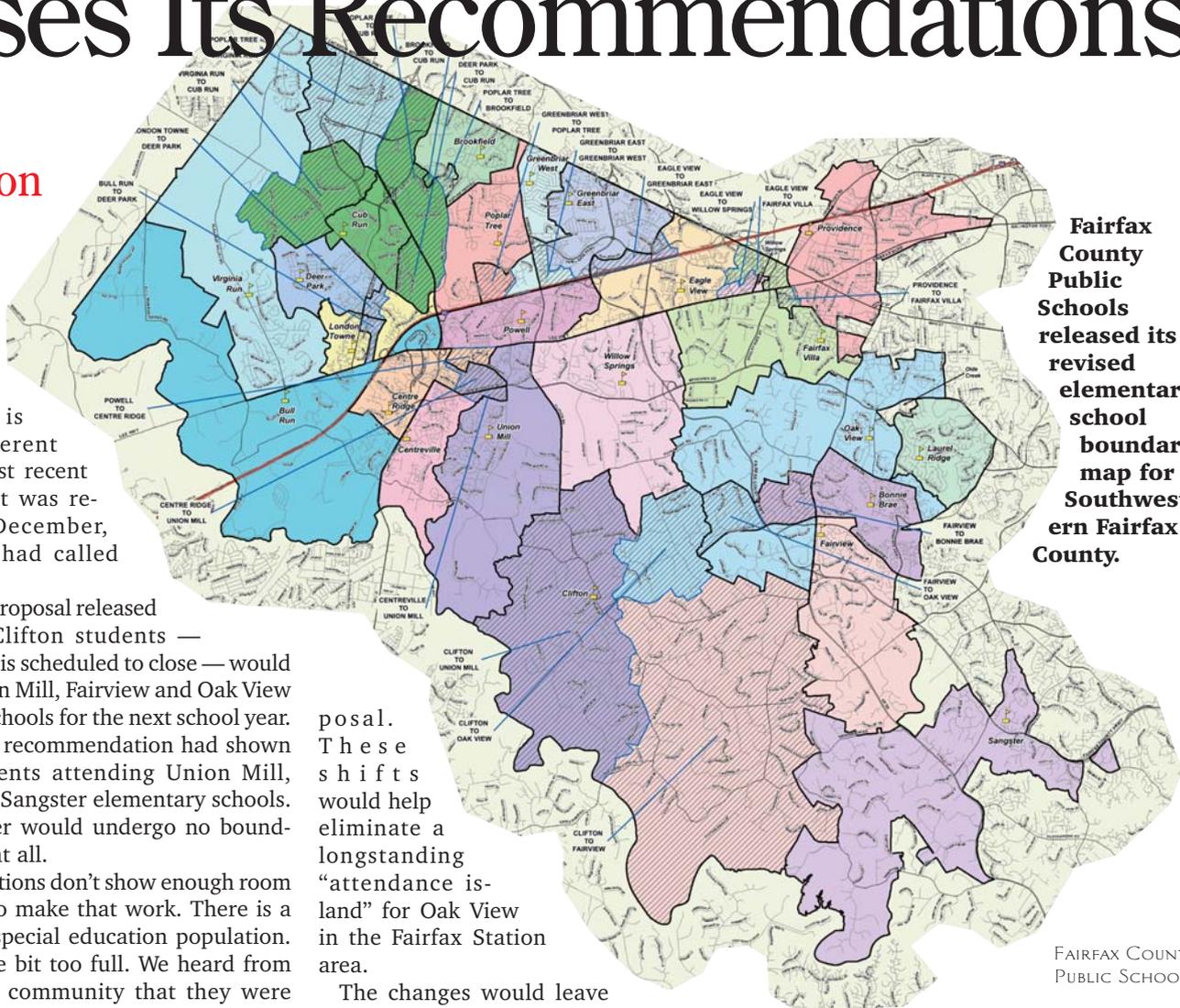
posal. These shifts would help eliminate a longstanding "attendance island" for Oak View in the Fairfax Station area.

The changes would leave Oak View slightly over capacity next school year, with approximately 778 students in a building meant to hold 761 students, according to School Board documents about the boundary change. Fairview would be slightly underutilized, with 719 students remaining in a building that could

hold 748 students, according to the same documents.

Oak View's PTA president, Kristi Stoddard,

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FAIRFAX COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Pennies for Patients

Fairfax High students hope to collect \$3,000.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

By itself, a penny isn't that valuable. But combine it with lots of pennies, other spare change, some dollars and some checks and then it has the power to do some good. That's the principle behind the Pennies for Patients fund raiser at Fairfax High.

Ally Berman, Khrys Amaya, Kristinia Hansen and their fellow DECA students are conducting this community-service project to raise money for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

"We're trying to raise \$3,000," said Berman. "We had an assembly, Jan. 5, and a representative from the Northern Virginia chapter of the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society talked to the students about what the organization does. She also explained how they use the donations to fund research for

patients with blood cancers and try to enrich the lives of people already affected by these cancers."

Collections began Jan. 10 and will continue through Jan. 31. All eighth-period teachers received donation boxes for their classrooms, and the class bringing in the most money will win a pizza party from Domino's.

"Anything people can donate — spare change, quarters, dollars — will be helpful," said Berman. "We also have an online website [http://nca.syllsevent.org/FHS] where parents and community members can donate."

Directions for contributions are on the homepage. Scroll to the bottom, click on "Make Your Donation" and fill in all the required fields. A donation booth will also be set up at an upcoming, home, varsity bas

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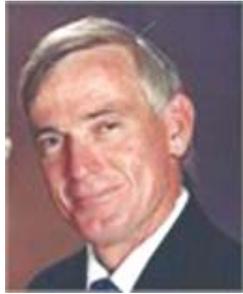
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From left at the fund raiser's Kick-Off Assembly are Fairfax High DECA students Khrys Amaya and Allyson Berman, Leukemia & Lymphoma Society representative Leah Cutler, cancer survivor Jonathan Faure and DECA student Kristina Hansen.

OBITUARY

Mark Richard Allen Dies

Mark Richard Allen, 63, died Jan. 14, in the arms of his wife at his home in Alexandria after a year-long battle with neuroendocrine cancer. He had lived in Alexandria for 32 years.



Allen

Mark Allen was born Dec. 27, 1947, in Philadelphia, Pa., to David Hector and Ruth Isabel (Chilton) Allen. At the age of 7, he moved with his family to Wildwood, N.J., where he graduated from high school in 1965. He attended Rutgers University in New Brunswick, N.J., from 1965 to 1968. After being drafted into the U.S. Army in 1968, he received Medical Corpsman training at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, then was stationed at the Fort Dix Military Hospital in New Jersey until his Honorable Discharge in 1971. He was awarded the National Defense Service Medal.

Mark Allen then moved to Ann Arbor, Mich., where he attended the University of Michigan from 1972 to 1974, earning a B.S. degree in Natural Resources. While there, he was employed at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens. After graduation, he was employed as a park ranger in the State of Michigan Park System. From 1975 to 1977, he worked for the City of Des Moines, Iowa, Department of Urban Forestry. He then moved to Charles County, Md., where he was employed by Southern Tree Service until late 1979.

From September 1979 to October 1989 he was employed at George Washington's Mount Vernon Estate, first as assistant supervisor of gardens and grounds and later as supervisor. He lived on the estate and served in the estate's in-house fire and medical aid departments. His two children, by his first marriage to Linda Lee Anderson (which ended in divorce in 1989), were the last children born on the estate. While at Mount Vernon, he was in charge not only of the maintenance of the estate's grounds and gardens, but also the livestock. He gave many tours of the estate's wooded areas to local schoolchildren, sharing his vast knowledge of flora and fauna.

After leaving Mount Vernon, Mark Allen became the arborist/horticulturist for the Town of Vienna, in which capacity he worked until his retirement in August 2010. Mayor M. Jane Seeman declared April 22, 2010, as "Mark Allen Day" in Vienna in recognition of his years of service in Vienna's Department of Parks and Recreation, during which time he cataloged all the trees in Vienna, created many new flower beds, planted countless trees, and shared his knowledge with garden clubs and residents.

While he and his wife Juanita lived in Old Town Alexandria at the Robert E. Lee Camp Confederate Veterans Home from 1990 to 1995, he spent many hours maintaining the historic building and its gardens, and assisted his wife in surveying Confederate graves in Alexandria. He also placed memorial wreaths on the Confederate statue on Washington and Prince Streets for many years.

Mark Allen was an avid birder and naturalist. He wrote detailed journals from 1977 until the time of his death, outlining his observations of birds and other wildlife, trees, flowers, and wetlands, from his backyard to the many parks and wilderness areas he visited in the United States including Alaska and Hawaii, Canada, Panama, France, Italy, and Spain. His bird list totaled 717.

Mark Allen was a voracious reader and frequent user of the Sherwood Hall Library. Throughout his life, he was a deep and introspective thinker, exhibiting great integrity, high morals, unfailing fairness, a keen intellect, a strong work ethic and an iron will.

The funeral service will be Friday, Jan. 21, at held at 6:30 p.m. at Plymouth Haven Baptist Church, 8523 Fort Hunt Road, Alexandria. Visitation is at 6 p.m. Burial will follow on Jan. 22 at Cold Spring Presbyterian Cemetery in Cape

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NEWS



Student Design Models, from left Kylie Pelayo, Katie Jones, Tess Tedrick, Michelle Jocz, Roda Hassan, Shannon Bush and Morgan Shepherd.

Fashion Sights and Sounds

Annual DECA Fashion Show follows theme of popular music.

For the fifth year in a row, DECA students at Robinson Secondary School hosted their annual fashion show, a student-run and organized event. This year's show took place Wednesday, Jan. 12.

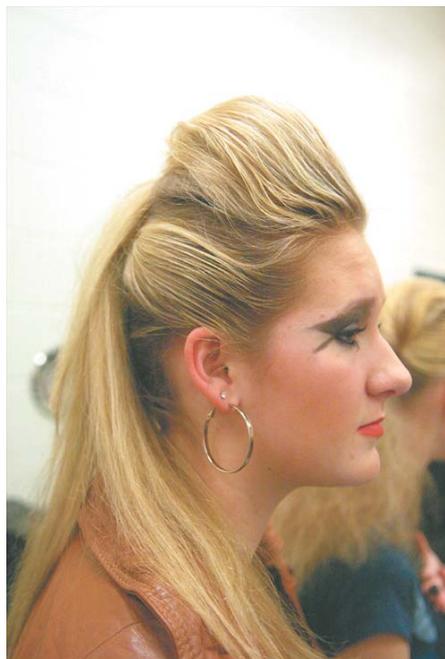
DECA members audition for roles in the show, filling the positions of show director, scene leaders, models and stagehands.

Advanced Fashion Marketing students Thomas Barto and Jessica Kiraly led this year's show and came up with the theme — the Sound of Fashion. Models wore fashions that centered on popular music genres, including classic rock, pop, alternative, techno, country, hip-hop, and dance.

Several local businesses contributed to the show, including DELiA*s, Jessica McClintock, and Paul Mitchell the School in Tysons Corner Center; Banana Republic in Potomac Mills; Papaya, Men's Wearhouse, and Elite Boardshop in Fair Oaks Mall; and The Factory on Main Street in Fairfax.



Above, senior DJ Palmer is a Pop Model.



Classic Rock models senior Hailey Colman, far left, and Sophomore Allison Dillion, left, wait to go on stage.

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NEWS

Pennies

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ketball game. Fairfax High has 400-450 DECA students. Berman said DECA advisor Michele Webb mentioned the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society to them after one of its representatives asked her if the students would join with some other Virginia schools in helping the organization raise funds.

"We think it's a great project," said Berman. "My older brother had skin cancer for a couple years, so this hit close to home. His case was mild, but it gave us a scare."

In addition, she said, "When the representative talked to us at the assembly, she brought a cancer survivor with her. He's a 16-year-old boy and his story inspired us. He told how the research saved his life. His sister gave him a bone-marrow transplant, and the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society helped throughout the whole process."

Berman said she and her classmates are glad to help out, any way they can. "It's a great charity," she said. "They're a nonprofit foundation and they use the money for a really good cause. And our DECA members are trying to do a good thing for the community."

MILITARY NOTES

Army Reserve Pvt. Nelson K. Njoroge has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C. He is the son of Terry Muraya of West Drive, Fairfax. Njoroge is a 2008 graduate of Fairfax High School.

Army Pvt. Logan A. Buzzard has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C. He is the son of Maggie Buzzard of Kristina Court, Fairfax. Buzzard is a 2009 graduate of Fairfax High School.

Edwin Ngongbo, a business administration major and resident of Fairfax, was among more than 4,000 students to receive a degree from American Public University and American Military University at the schools' spring 2010 commencement at DAR Constitution Hall in Washington, D.C.

Larriane Stamey, an accounting major and resident of Fairfax, was among more than 4,000 students to receive a degree from American Public University and American Military University at the schools' spring 2010 commencement at DAR Constitution Hall in Washington, D.C.

Army 2nd Lt. Kirk C. Benedict graduated from the Armor Officer Basic Course at Fort Knox, Ky. Benedict, a platoon leader, is assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 16th Cavalry Regiment, Fort Knox, Ky. He is the son of Craig F. and Diahn D. Benedict of Ashleigh Road, Fairfax. The lieutenant graduated in 2006 from Fairfax High School and received a bachelor's degree in 2010 from Davidson College, N.C.

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Robinson Secondary actors Zach Ghalayoni, Jackson Muse, Emily Rowson, Olivia Serio and Hillary Holloway receive three sixes for the first set.



Derek Yost, Michael Anderson, Shayne Anderson, Alex Griffith and Alex Woodman of Fairfax High school perform the 20 soap opera scene.



Meaghan Sniegowski, Riley McGrath and C.J. McCracken of Woodson High School get all theatrical in their Theatre Sports effort.

Chip Rome announces the Brown Bag rule and crowns a Thomas Jefferson performer during the first round.

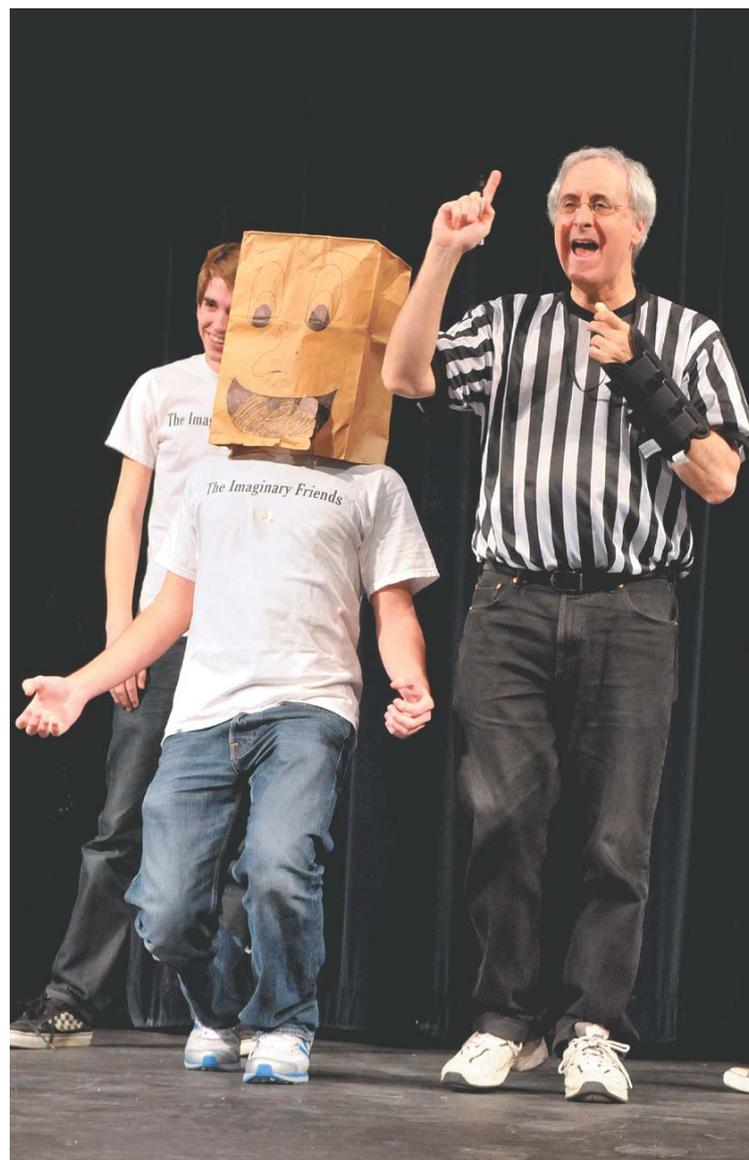


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Improv Tonight

Robinson Secondary hosts 28th Annual Theatre Sports event on Jan. 14.

Theatre Sports was the brainchild of Keith Johnstone while he was at the Loose Moose Theatre Company in Calgary, Canada. Douglas “Chip” Rome, the theater director at Robinson for the past 30 years, heard about the exercise from his sister, who lives in Calgary. He brought it to the school in 1983.

The exercise starts with the Improv groups showing up. This year, eight schools participated on Friday, Jan. 14: Robinson, Hayfield, Falls Church, Chantilly, Fairfax, Oakton, Thomas Jefferson and Woodson.

Three questions are asked to the audience ... People you want to be stuck in an elevator with? Places you don't want to go without a flashlight? And Things you don't want to find under your seat? The audience provides the answers that are then presented to the improvisation troupes as they take the stage. Groups are limited to five. The first round is 3 minutes.

Acting as referee, Rome introduced the rules. No wimping, waffling or blocking.

Any who does, receive the red sequined flag that may be part of the fabric used to construct Dorothy's shoes for the Wizard performance at Robinson. The second offence would be that of inappropriate dialogue or language, the perpetrator gets the brown bag over their head for 60 seconds. The third rule is “No Groaning.” Groaning should resound from the audience when someone says no to an idea.

The first part of the Theatre Sports concerned styles. After the troupe selected the words that they would work with from the list — a person, place and thing — Rome would call out a different style every 20 seconds. The troupes responded to changes, beginning as themselves then prompted to western, mime, soap opera, musical, science fiction and Dr. Seuss.

After the first two rounds, two teams were tied — Thomas Jefferson and Chantilly. A Hat Game was called to break the tie. Chantilly won the contest. Chantilly student Taylor Jarrell won the individual award for the evening's sports.

— LOUISE KRAFT

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Mark Allen

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May County, N.J. Arrangements by Jefferson Funeral Chapel of Alexandria.

He is survived by his wife, Juanita Elisabeth (Wright) Allen, son Aaron David Allen of Annapolis, Md., daughter Emily Lynn (Allen) Goodman of Fairfax, granddaughter Avery Lynn Allen of Annapolis, and brother Bruce David Allen of Del Haven, N.J. His family and friends were honored to have such a fine man in their lives and he will be greatly missed.

Dance Show At NOVA

The Fairfax County Dance Coalition (FCDC) will host its first annual gala, "A Celebration of Dance," Saturday, Jan. 29, at 8 p.m., and Sunday, Jan. 30, at 2 p.m., in the theater of Northern Virginia Community College's Annandale Campus.

"This is a unique opportunity to appreciate a showcase of dance styles — ballet, tap, jazz, modern and Indian dances — integrated into a diverse array of dynamic dance talent," said Tish Cordova, FCDC president. "Advanced and professional dancers from throughout Fairfax County will represent our dance arts community."

Nine companies will perform, including: BalletNova, Classical Ballet Theatre, Dancin' Unlimited Jazz Dance Co., Dream in Color Foundation — Impact Dance Co., Encore Performers, Lasya Dance Co., The Ballet Arts Ensemble of Fairfax, Center Stage Dance Co. and the Virginia Ballet Co.

The Fairfax County Dance Coalition formed in 2008 with the encouragement of the Arts Council of Fairfax County. The Coalition's mission is to grow awareness of and participation in the dance arts by students, audiences and dance companies.

"I believe that dance enriches the cultural fabric of a community," said Marilyn York, an FCDC officer and adance company director for more than 35 years. "Fairfax County is rich in dance ability, but we haven't been promoting it enough. There's something in this family-oriented show for everyone."

Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$18 at the door. To purchase them, or for more information, visit www.dancefairfax-gala.org, or contact any of the participating dance organizations. NOVA's Annandale Campus is at 8333 Little River Turnpike.

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OPINION

Transportation Plan without Substance

Say no to liquor plan, a giveaway to big business.

If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is. It's a major component of consumer protection and something we try to teach our children.

So consider this quote from Gov. Bob McDonnell on his latest plan for transportation funding:

"I'm asking all of you to support a plan that pumps billions into roads, creates tens of thousands of new jobs, adds no new debt, starts work now, and doesn't raise taxes."

Lots of money, no debt, no taxes. Not likely.

In fact, the governor's plan would take existing revenue that is paying for existing costs, like public safety and education, and forcing reallocation to transportation.

The so-called privatization of the liquor business would cost the state hundreds of millions of dollars in lost revenue that is currently being used for core state services, services that have already been cut to the bone. The one-time infusion of up to \$400 million (literally

not enough money to pay for a single new interchange on a highway) does not make up for the loss of revenue annually. Or the harm of possibly tripling the number of liquor stores in the state.

EDITORIALS

Who would benefit? Very large retailers who would get almost all of the licenses to sell liquor.

Fixing the transportation debacle in Virginia will require new revenue. Gov. McDonnell is more interested in saying that he cut the size of government and turned more business over to the private sector than a meaningful fix for transportation. Right now, his proposal is to take the insufficient amount of money being spent on education, public safety and the safety net and spend it on roads instead.

The result will be irreparable harm and not nearly enough money to improve roads and transit.

Setting Priorities for 2011

County chairwoman outlines year ahead.

BY SHARON BULOVA
CHAIRMAN, FAIRFAX COUNTY BOARD
OF SUPERVISORS

As we turn the page for the New Year, Fairfax County continues to face significant challenges. Our economy is on a slow road to recovery from the worst recession in decades. Residential and commercial property values are still too low, close to a thousand homeowners in Fairfax are still struggling with foreclosures and nearly 30,000 of our residents are unable to find work.

Despite these challenges, Fairfax County continues to be an exceptional place to live, work and play. We have taken advantage of some of the opportunities the economic downturn has presented. With the cost of construction at a record low, we have been able to realize long-term savings in our capital program for parks and schools. We have also made organizational changes and found efficiencies that have lowered the cost of providing services while keeping taxes affordable.

Work has begun on the County's budget for Fiscal Year 2012. As the effects of the Great Recession linger, we estimate a projected shortfall in our \$3.3 billion General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2012 of about \$50 million. Giving employees raises "as usual" would increase this shortfall by \$107 million — \$33 million for County workers and \$74 million for School employees.

When our Board adopts the budget in April, we will be investing in our community's priorities. The budget we adopt must be balanced and cannot include a deficit. As in past years, it is critical to have the community at the table with us as we consider funding decisions and I

look forward to working with my colleagues and constituents through another community engagement process.

A number of things will happen in Fairfax County during 2011 in addition to adopting the budget — some Supervisor districts will change, 13,000 Defense employees will move to Ft. Belvoir, and state and local elections will take place.

In addition to these items, I will be working toward achieving several goals for the year ahead. These goals deal with growth and redevelopment, energy efficiency, and sustainability, economic development, and transportation.

Fairfax County's future is in redevelopment. As Fairfax County continues to grow, it is important that we get it right by encouraging growth where it can be supported by mass transit in compact, walkable mixed use developments. This will allow growth to happen in a way that protects the environment, our older stable neighborhoods and offers another life style choice that is desirable for our residents through all chapters of life.

Our vision for transforming Tysons is a model for future smart growth in Fairfax County. Look for development to advance during the next year (as a result of Comprehensive Plan changes in Tysons, Merrifield, Springfield and other redeveloping parts of the county) that will contribute to that vision.

In 2011, I will make encouraging innovation and collaboration for energy that is clean, efficient, sustainable, secure and reliable a priority. Energy efficiency is critical for industry to remain competitive in Fairfax County. It is also the right thing to do. In November I began plans for a Private Sector Energy Task Force

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Our legislators in the Virginia General Assembly should just say no.

Judge the governor's proposal for yourself, read it at www.governor.virginia.gov/News under Jan. 14.

— MARY KIMM,

MKIMM@CONNECTIONNEWSPAPERS.COM

Dogs and Cats, Parrots And Pigs, Spiders and Snakes

It's time to take some photos of your family and your favorite animals and send them in to the Connection for our Feb. 2 Pet Connection.

Write a paragraph or two about how you acquired your pet or what's special about your pet or what you've learned from your pet, have your children draw a picture, take some photos and e-mail in by next week. Send to fairfax@connectionnewspapers.com

Get Involved In School Budget

To the Editor:

Recently, Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) Superintendent Jack Dale presented the School Board with his proposal for next year's budget. The proposed \$2.2 billion budget outlines programs and services for our growing and increasingly diverse student population. It also includes funds to give eligible employees a step increase and a market scale adjustment after two years without any increase in compensation.

Our population will grow by a projected 2,120 students next year. We project that in 2012, one in four students will be eligible for free and reduced-price meals, a federal indicator of poverty — making that the fastest growing segment of our population. We expect to see a 15 percent increase in the number of students whose first language is not English. There will be increased costs to comply with the mandated online testing requirement for all students taking the Virginia Standards of Learning (SOL) tests.

We cannot meet the needs of our staff and students without adequate resources. That is why Superintendent Dale has included in his proposal a request to the Board of Supervisors for an increase of 3 percent, or \$48.8 million, in the transfer of funds over the FY 2011 level. This reflects a realistic set of needs.

Difficult times require difficult choices. The Fairfax County School Board has shown great fiscal responsibility during tough economic times. In the past three

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Spreading Warmth

Girl Scout Troop 659 had a coat drive sponsored by p.s. Aeropostale (Aeropostale's children's store) and 1WarmKid charity organization. They collected 88 coats with the help of the Willow Springs Elementary School SCA and 77 coats from Clifton Elementary School for a total of 165 coats. The coats Troop 659 collected were taken to SERVE in Manassas as directed by Aeropostale. Through 1WarmKid, needy children received a new coat from p.s. Aeropostale for every gently used coat that was donated. From left are, Katie Yusko, Kasey Smith, Hannah Holman, Nikki Kozy and Emme Seale. Not pictured are Elena Calderone, Karen Lohrmann, Mary Kate Foley, Taylor Corridon and Delaney Desman.



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Looking Ahead to Summer

Parents begin signing up their children for summer camp.

BY CRISTINA ABELLAN-MATAMOROS
THE CONNECTION

In spite of harsh winter winds, parents are shifting their focus to warmer months and looking for the perfect summer camps for their children.

"Late January is the time to start looking," said Grace Becker from Northern Virginia, mother of a 10 year old and a 13 year old. "It can be a stressful process initially, but every year gets a little bit easier. For me, I didn't have much of a choice because I needed the childcare, but every family is different." At most summer camps, enrollment works on a first-come first-serve basis, causing some to fill up quickly.

To help guide parents in their search, the Fairfax County Association for the Gifted has compiled a summer camp guide, available for \$10. The guide focuses on "enrichment [and] academic camps," according to Lara Bove of McLean, producer of the guide. "I try to get as much of an overview of the camps listed in the guide as I can." Music, drama, and nature camps are also featured in the guide, providing "exposure for niche camps ... that won't put a flashy ad in the Washington Post," said Becker, who volunteers on the production of the guide.



Youngsters gather at one of the Katydid Kids summer camps.

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"Parents are looking for different things," Becker said. "There are working parents who are mostly looking for childcare for the summer, and then there are stay-at-home moms who look for more flexible camps [with] half-day sessions."

The availability of extended care hours is a growing concern among working parents, according to several camp directors. Kate Summer, who runs the Katydid Kids sum-

mer camps in Frying Pan Park, Burke Lake Burke, Colvin Run Mill Park, and Lake Fairfax Park, said that she has "a lot of parents signing up for after care." About 60 per cent of the parents who enroll their children in one of her sessions are working parents, according to Summer. The guide includes information about childcare for each listed camp.

Although specifics vary, most parents are

More

A sampling of county and community fun camps: <http://www.katydidkids.com> which is the one that has the camps in Fairfax County Parks <http://www.ticcamp.com/> located in McLean http://www.levineschool.org/site/PageServer?pagename=classes_campgeneral located in Arlington <http://www.theauburnschool.org/camp.cfm> in Herndon

looking for a safe, fun camp where their child will be actively engaged. "[I'm looking for] safety, fun, the typical things that parents want," said Bove.

Clifton's Elizabeth Schultz, mother of four, added, "I investigate for things that are fun. It's great [for the youngsters] to have an outdoor experience, [to] exercise brain and body ... and [to] give me a break."

But for many parents, money is also a concern when considering camps for their children. "Especially if you have three or four children, price is a biggie," said Schultz.

However, some parents such as Tim Higgins of Great Falls, say that expensive enrichment camps can help flesh out a college application.

Nancy Soschan, who runs a camp-advising program in Springfield called Summer Solutions, strongly agrees. "Wilderness adventure camps, academic enrichment camps, art camps are really great for teenagers," she said. A representative of Wilderness Adventure, a sleepaway outdoor camp in Roanoke, claimed that such summer experiences give college applicants intriguing essay topics.

Soschan strongly recommends sleepaway camps to foster competence and independence. "Kids learn to be independent," she said. "They learn ... sharing and communicating with others."

To have community events listed, send to south@connectionnewspapers.com or call 703-778-9416 with questions. Deadline for calendar listings is two weeks prior to event.

THURSDAY/JAN. 20

Warm Up to a Good Story. 10:30 a.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Stories and activities. Age 3-5 with adult. 703-293-6227.

Afternoon Reading Group. 1 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. "Water for Elephants" by Sarah Gruen. Adults. 703-293-6227.

Schiavone, We Were Kings and My Radio. 7 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

Chicago City Limits: America Idles. 8 p.m. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1624 Trap Road, Vienna. Improvisational comedy. \$24. www.wolftrap.org.

FRIDAY/JAN. 21

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SATURDAY/JAN. 22

The Bigger Lights, Boys Will Be Boys and The Love Light at 6 p.m. and Fight The Bear, Overdrive Superthruster at 10 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

Perú Negro With Eva Ayllón: "Festejo." 8 p.m. at the George Mason University Center for the Arts Concert Hall, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. A group of more than 30 dancers and musicians performs the rhythms, sounds and movements propagated along Peru's coast by African slaves, joined by singer Eva Ayllón. Tickets \$23-\$46, available at 888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu.

Microsoft Access. 2:30 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Introduction to creating, modifying and mastering databases using Microsoft's Access program. Age 13 and up. 703-293-6227.

SUNDAY/JAN. 23

Music Through An Artist's Eyes. 2:30 p.m. Providence Presbyterian Church, 9019 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax. A free organ recital and reception in conjunction with a juried art exhibition.

www.providencechurch.org/music_arts.

Brass of Peace. 7 p.m. Fairfax United Methodist Church, 10300 Stratford Ave., Fairfax. The music of Gabrieli, Bach, Mel Torme, Elgar, Joplin, Pierre Dubois and more. 703-635-5272 or www.brassofpeace.org.

Mid-Atlantic Song Contest Awards Gala. 6 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

MONDAY/JAN. 24

Tales to Tails. 4 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Sign up to read to the dog. Age 6-12 with adult. 703-293-6227.

Teddy Bear Tales. 11 a.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Stories and songs. Tickets distributed 30 minutes before program begins. Age 13-23 months with adult. 703-249-1520.

Create A Story, Make A Friend. 3:30 p.m. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Create new stories to share. Age 6-12. 703-978-5600.

TUESDAY/JAN. 25

English Conversation Group. 7 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Conversation group for adults learning English. 703-293-6227.

Kings Park Library Friends Meeting. 7 p.m. Kings Park Library,

9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Monthly meeting. Adults. 703-978-5600.

Twilight Tales. 7 p.m. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Come in pajamas to listen to stories. Age 3-6 with adult. 703-978-5600.

Pierre Bensusan. 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

WEDNESDAY/JAN. 26

Faculty Artist Series: Philippe Chao, Marcio Botelho and Patricia Parker. 8 p.m. at the George Mason University Center for the Arts Harris Theatre, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Free. 888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu.

David Berkeley CD Release and Seth Glier. 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

THURSDAY/JAN. 27

"Annie." 7:30 p.m. Lake Braddock Secondary School Little Theatre, 9200 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Tickets \$12. www.lbmusical.webs.com.

FRIDAY/JAN. 28

Mason Jazz Concert. 8 p.m. at the George Mason University Center for the Arts Harris Theatre, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Free. 888-

945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu.
L.A. Theatre Works "The Real Dr. Strangelove." 8 p.m. at the George Mason University Center for the Arts Concert Hall, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Tickets \$18-\$36, available at 888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu.
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Independent Living Project. 10 a.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Fridays from Jan. 28-March 11. 703-249-1520.

Callers and Brainfang at 7 p.m. and Murphy's Kids, Irresponsible and Feed God Cabbage at 10 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

SATURDAY/JAN. 29

Deutsche Staatsphilharmonie. 8 p.m. at George Mason University Center for the Arts Concert Hall, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. The German State Philharmonic, conducted by Philippe Entremont on its first tour of

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CALENDAR



Bigger Lights The Vienna-based band **The Bigger Lights** will be performing at **Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E. in Vienna, on Saturday, Jan. 22 at 6 p.m. with two Fairfax bands, Boys Will Be Boys and The Love Light.** jamminjava.com.

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the U.S., performing Strauss' "Till Eulenspiegels lustige Streiche" and Brahms' Symphony No. 4, Op. 98. Entremont also joins Sebastian Knauer on piano for Mozart's Concerto for Two Pianos, No. 10 in E-Flat major, K. 365. Tickets are \$30-\$60, available at 888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu.

"Annie." 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Lake Braddock Secondary School Little Theatre, 9200 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Tickets \$12. www.lbmusical.webs.com.

Musical Tribute to Jim Tucker featuring The Lost Highway Band, Laurie Jones & SB2 and MHR at 5 p.m. and Passafire and Three Legged Fox at 10 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

SUNDAY/JAN. 30

Faculty Artist Series: Mira Yang, mezzo-soprano. 7 p.m. at the George Mason University Center for the Arts Harris Theatre, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Free. 888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu.

Robbie Fulks and Timothy Bracken. 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

Lab Rescue Club of the Potomac Adoption Event. 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Petco, 9230-B Old Keene Mill Road in Burke. Talk with fosters and volunteers about dog ownership or choose the right dog to join your family. www.lab-rescue.org.

MONDAY/JAN. 31

Faculty Artist Series: Harry Watters, trombone and Dr. Dickinson, trombone. 8 p.m. at the George Mason University Center for the Arts Harris Theatre, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Free. 888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu.

Baby Signing. 11 a.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Learn to sign words and letters. Tickets distributed 30 minutes before program begins. Age 2 with adult. 703-249-1520.

WEDNESDAY/FEB. 2

Bands without Borders Featuring Brother Shamus, The Weathervanes and Half Brother. 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna.

THURSDAY/FEB. 3

An Evening with Todd Wright and Cal Everett. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

FRIDAY/FEB. 4

Mark Morris Dance Group. 8 p.m. George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. The D.C. area premiere of "Petrichor," set to the music of Heitor Villa-Lobos, plus "Going Away Party," "Silhouettes" and "Excursions." A pre-performance discussion, free to ticket holders, begins 45 minutes prior to the performance on the Center's Grand Tier III. Tickets \$22-\$44, available at 888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu.

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An Evening With The Nighthawks. 7 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

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Fairfax Boys Basketball On a Roll

Spartans down Lee, Stallions encounter mid-season wall.

BY RICH SANDERS
THE CONNECTION

The Fairfax High boys' basketball team has gone on a mid-season tear over recent weeks, stringing together five straight wins to move over the .500 mark at 8-6.

The Rebels, who were 1-4 to begin the season and just 3-6 following a 67-55 non-district home loss to Yorktown on Dec. 29, have since won five in a row — Liberty District victories over host Falls Church, 64-50, on Jan. 30; home team Madison, 60-50, on Jan. 3; visiting Jefferson, 76-53, on Jan. 6; visiting Stone Bridge, 71-55, on Jan. 12; and at South Lakes, 85-71, on Friday night, Jan. 14.

In the win over South Lakes, a victory that improved Fairfax's district record to 5-1, four Rebels' players scored in double digits: sophomore guard Zack Burnett (20 points), senior guard Joey Boyle (19), junior forward Jazz Holley (14) and senior forward Spencer Macleod (13 points, team-high nine rebounds). John Robic, a sophomore guard, added eight points in the win against the Seahawks (6-7), who were led by J.D. Wallace's 15 points and Mitchell Dempster's 14.

In Fairfax's win over Stone Bridge two days earlier, Joey Boyle scored a game-high 22 points to pace the Rebels, who also received strong nights from Holley (14 points) and Macleod (13). That contest was tied at 36 at halftime before Fairfax outscored the Bulldogs 20-11 in the third quarter to gain control of the game.

Fairfax was scheduled to host a red-hot McLean team earlier this week, a contest originally scheduled for Tuesday before snow forced it to be postponed until the following day. McLean is 8-4 overall and 4-2 in district play.

Fairfax is not scheduled to play this Friday, but will host first place Langley next Tuesday, Jan. 25. The Saxons, who were



The Lee High boys, under coach Michael Harris, lost a tough home game to non-region opponent Bladensburg of Maryland last Saturday night.

scheduled to host McLean this Friday night, are 6-0 in district play.

South County has hit a tough mid-season skid, having lost five straight games after getting off to an 8-1 start this season. The Stallions, whose scheduled game against Lee on Tuesday of this week was postponed due to the poor weather, lost their fifth straight last Thursday night, falling at home to a resurgent Lake Braddock squad, 77-63. Lake Braddock, in the Patriot District win over the Stallions, had a big night from Bobby Freedman (17 points) as well as Matt Zanellato (15), senior forward Chris Williams (13) and senior guard Cory Bonds (13). For the Stallions, junior forward Marquice Johnson scored 22 points and senior forward Nik Biberaj had 15. Also for

South County, senior guard Alex Carrington scored eight points, junior guard Rodie Lamb scored seven and sophomore guard Oren Burks six.

Against unbeaten district opponent T.C. Williams (11-0), South County struggled early on in a 74-63 home loss on Jan. 10. The Stallions, who trailed 19-6 after one quarter, had a huge game from Johnson, who scored a game-high 26 points to go along with 12 rebounds. Biberaj scored 15 points with 11 rebounds in the loss.

South County will be looking to get back on the winning track when it meets district foe Annandale in a home game this Friday night.

West Springfield High (2-9) earned a 62-48 Patriot District home win over Lee on

Jan. 7. Both the Spartans and Lancers are experiencing tough seasons thus far. West Springfield, in a district game at Lake Braddock on Jan. 4, received 14 points from Lawrence Rouse in a 72-51 Spartans' loss. Colin Mosley scored nine points for West Springfield, while Josh Armstrong and Ali Kazmi scored eight and seven points, respectively. Bobby Freedman tallied 19 for Lake Braddock.

Lee, looking for its first win, played Bladensburg (Md.) tough in a 54-40 home loss last Saturday night. The Lancers took an early 15-6 lead and led 23-20 at the half. Maseer Ghorab scored 16 points in the game for the Lancers. Lee will play at district opponent West Potomac this Friday night. West Springfield will play at T.C. Williams.

O'Connell Hires Former Robinson Lacrosse Coach

Former Robinson Secondary boys' lacrosse coach Justin Fitzgerald, who as a player or coach was a part of five state title teams with the Rams, has been named the new head coach at Bishop O'Connell High in Arlington. O'Connell Athletic Director Joe Wootten made the announcement on Jan. 14.

O'Connell, a Catholic school and a member of the Washington Catholic Athletic Conference (WCAC), also named Mark Borgiasz as its new boys' tennis coach.

Fitzgerald comes to O'Connell with an impressive coaching record. Most recently

he was the head coach at Robinson where he led the Rams to several championships and twice earned District Coach of the Year recognition. Fitzgerald is a former assistant coach at both St. Albans School and Langley High School. He is the owner of Lax World Virginia and is very active in youth lacrosse, having worked for and led the Virginia Lacrosse Club, Advantage Lacrosse, and the Virginia select high school team.

As a player, Fitzgerald was an All-American at Robinson and played college lacrosse at Roanoke College. He graduated from George Mason University and currently re-

sides in Vienna with his wife Marylynn; daughter Mackenzie, 8; and son Brady, 4.

"Fitzgerald's experience, his leadership and his connections in the lacrosse community will be an asset as he leads O'Connell lacrosse to great heights," said Wootten, who along with being O'Connell's athletic director also serves as the school's head coach in boys' basketball.

Meanwhile, coach Borgiasz, the Knights' new boys' tennis coach, comes to O'Connell from Sleepy Hollow Bath and Racket, where for the past four years he has served as an assistant coach.

While working with LeMair, Borgiasz was responsible for teaching youngsters ages 3-to-18 the varied skills of tennis. Prior to working with the LeMair Tennis Program, Borgiasz spent five years as the head coach of the Sleepy Hollow Recreation Association. He is a 2006 graduate of O'Connell and a graduate of George Mason University with a degree in government and international politics.

"Borgiasz's enthusiasm, experience and love for teaching the game will help him lead the O'Connell tennis team in their quest for excellence," said Wootten.

Richmond Diary 2011

State senator faces busy first week of 2011 General Assembly session.

BY SEN. DAVE MARSDEN
D-37

This is the first of weekly reviews of activity in Richmond during this session of the General Assembly by State Sen. Dave Marsden (D-37).

The most important event that triggers the start of the General Assembly session for me is the legislative forum held every year at the Fairfax County Government Center before the legislature convenes. Citizens address their state legislators on any issue of concern to them. The list of needs is staggering and sometimes heartbreaking. The event is a humbling experience when you realize that you do not have the resources to address all of these concerns adequately.

On Monday, I arrived in Richmond to begin setting up our office. We are in Richmond for 45 days this session. My long-time roommate, Del. David Bulova (D-37), and I stay at the Richmond home of House Minority Leader Ward Armstrong (D-10) of Martinsville. Ward is an extraordinarily talented 20-year legislator who has been a great mentor to me.

On Tuesday, my legislative aide and I be-

gan preparing the bills I am filing this year. A number of groups and members of the business community have approached me to sponsor bills for them, and I agreed to introduce a number of them based on importance. Senators are under intense pressure to sponsor legislation because House members are limited to 15 bills this year. I ended up submitting 23 bills, three Commending Resolutions and one budget amendment.

I also met with Gov. Robert McDonnell (R) and the Public Safety Secretary Marla Decker regarding the most important issue I am dealing with this session. This is a budget amendment to study restructuring juvenile justice re-entry to save millions, reduce the size of government and put our young offenders in the best position to succeed and lead crime free lives. They were very receptive. More on this later.

On Wednesday, Lt. Governor Bill Bolling (R) gaveled us into session at noon. I took my seat next to Sen. George Barker (D-39), who is one of the smartest members of the Senate. When I was in the House of Delegates, David Bulova was my seatmate. I learned early in life that having close working relationships and friendships with brilliant people like George and David is the

best way to insure that you make the best decisions possible.

Wednesday night we filed into the House of Delegates Chamber with the members of the Supreme Court, the Governors Cabinet and many others to hear the Governor's "State of the Commonwealth" address. He addressed many issues important to all of us, which I support including economic development and job growth. I am concerned however over his continued efforts to borrow \$3 billion that will exceed our self-imposed cap of 5 percent of the general fund to service any bond debt we incur. This is a fiscally dangerous path I will not support. It will take money away from schools, public safety and health care. After the speech, legislators attended a reception at the Governors' Mansion where I had the opportunity to renew my conversation of the day before with the governor.

ON THURSDAY, I had my first bill before a subcommittee, which dealt with strengthening drunk driving laws for individuals under 21. It passed 5-0 as I finally resolved an issue with the U.S. Justice Department that had previously blocked it. My friend, Del. Bill Janis (R-56), will introduce the bill in the House of Delegates. We ended the day with a dinner in honor of Virginia's largest industry, agriculture and forestry. Next week we begin hearing the bulk of more than 2,500 bills.

Will let you know how that went next week.

Bulova

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that will work with our county staff and my office to identify strategies to realize progress toward meeting our energy goals.

In addition to clean energy, I will be working with our corporate neighbors in identifying and fostering the emergence of new industry sectors, such as personalized medicine and tourism. Together with our business community we can build a new economy in Fairfax County, and emerge from the Great Recession stronger than ever.

And lastly, improving mobility in Fairfax County that incorporates multi-modal options for our workers and residents will be a top priority for 2011. We must continue to plan for and invest in pedestrian and bike routes, light rail, Metro, and the VRE, and ensure they connect to offer efficient mobility options.

Fairfax County offers a great quality of life. The most important ingredient in making that happen is the positive engagement of our community. I extend my warmest wishes for the year ahead as we work together to realize its promise.

COMMENTARY

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Fionnuala Quinn, a member of Fairfax Advocates for Better Bicycling (FABB), is a Fairfax City resident, a cyclist and civil engineer who co-wrote the recently-published Guide for Reviewing Public Road Design and Bicycling Accommodations for Virginia Bicycling Advocates.

The New Road to Happiness

BY FIONNUALA QUINN

Lots of us have fond memories of getting ourselves to school but few local children walk or bike there today. In Fairfax County, many who live within the one-mile limit of their elementary school are bused if it is decided that unusual hazards make the route unsafe. One option would be to help remove some of the obstacles through the Safe Routes to Schools (SRTS) Program. This Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) program provides funds to make bicycling and walking a safe option. Of the \$13,000,000 total funds available to Virginia schools, Fairfax County has received only \$10,000 to date.

The image of Fairfax children walking to school in the past is preserved in a silent movie, "The Road to Happiness." This movie was produced in 1924 by the Ford Motor Company as part of a campaign to promote road paving for automobiles and was filmed in various parts of Fairfax County and employed mostly local residents. Copies of what remains of the original movie are available through the public library.

In an early scene, children walk along an unpaved West Ox Road to the original Navy schoolhouse, scraping their boots before entering. Later, the teacher encourages the students to enter the Good Roads essay contest. The Good Roads movement was sweeping the country at the time and the contest drew over a quarter of a million entries annually.

One of the students wins and heads to Washington to be presented with a college scholarship by President Calvin Coolidge. The student goes on to study highway engineering, eventually returning home as the local County Engineer. Finally, we see children happily walking together on the newly paved road to the Navy schoolhouse. One pair of students drive a pony and cart to the school.

That one-room schoolhouse has long since been replaced with an eight-hundred student facility while West Ox Road is a four-lane divided highway. Today, many children living short distances from the school cannot easily walk there. Sidewalks are missing in many locations and vehicles speed by the school on three sides.

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years (FY 2009-FY2011), FCPS took reductions and cost avoidances totaling more than \$465 million and eliminated more than 1,400 positions.

It is time now to compensate our employees for their outstanding work that has kept FCPS a leader in student achievement. Additionally, our starting teacher salaries have declined over the last two years and we need to bring those salaries up so we can continue to attract the most qualified teachers to our classrooms and remain competitive with neighboring jurisdictions.

Now the School Board needs to hear from you as we consider the superintendent's proposal over the next few weeks, then move to adopt the advertised budget on Feb. 3. Here's what you can do to get involved. First, learn more about the budget by visiting www.fcps.edu where you'll find extensive details on all aspects of the budget and the process. Second, sign up to speak at our public hearing on Jan. 24-25. Third, attend the School Board's Budget Forum to be held on Saturday, Feb. 26, at Falls Church High School.

We are a successful school system, and our success draws business to the area, making a major contribution to the economic engine of the community. Public education in Fairfax County is a source of pride and honor and should remain that way. We need the continued support and involvement of citizens to ensure that it does.

Kathy Smith
Chairman

Fairfax County School Board

New Session Begins in Richmond

Petersen highlights proposed bills for 2011 General Assembly session.

BY SEN. CHAP PETERSEN
D-34

The General Assembly session is underway. On Friday, Jan. 7, I filed 22 bills that are the heart of my legislative package. Here are some of the highlights:

Green Buildings: For the last four years, I've proposed the "Green Buildings Act" (SB 832), which requires the state to use LEED-certified materials and techniques in constructing new state-owned buildings. These materials and techniques have a marginal impact on construction costs, but that increase is immediately amortized by cost savings from utility savings. The end result is a net savings to Virginia taxpayers.

Transportation: While the governor has proposed borrowing billions of new dollars for roads, I am more modest (but realistic) in my goals, which are represented by two bills. First, SB 833, the fuel "indexing" bill, adjusts Virginia's fuel tax based upon vehicle miles traveled on Virginia's highway. Indexing maintains our ability to fund repaving and improvements as usage on our highways increases. SB 834 also deals with our ongoing road issues, but takes a different tack. It authorizes the Virginia Department of Transportation to contract with private companies for maintaining state right-of-ways in exchange for free advertising. If Richmond is going to continually slash maintenance spending, this may be the only way to keep our highways presentable.

Government Transparency: As taxpayers, you deserve to know how local governments spend your

money. If it passes, SB 844 will permit localities to post information about individual spending items on the Internet so it can be easily accessible. (A similar state service tracking state spending exists at "Commonwealth Datapoint").

Higher Education: Our colleges and universities have enough problems dealing with three years of state budget cuts. They shouldn't have to spend additional time dealing with state investigations into the research of university scientists, e.g. last year's investigation by the Attorney General of scientists who support the theory of global warming. SB 831 would do that by limiting the Attorney General's investigative powers over matters of academic research. There are enough politics in academics without real politicians being involved.

Foreclosure Reform: The Great Recession brought a wave of foreclosures to Northern Virginia, especially Prince William and Fairfax counties. Unfortunately, many of these were "drive-by" foreclosures in which an accelerated process threw homeowners

out of their house, often with the use of fabricated documents. Three of my bills (SB 836, 837 and 838) seek the reform of the foreclosure system by establishing a standard notification process, prohibiting the use of forged documents and requiring lenders to record their purchases of mortgages with Clerks of Court. I'm pleased to have bipartisan support on this effort.

These are but a few of my proposals. Please review the state website [leg1.state.va.us] or my Generals Assembly blog [www.oxroadsouth.com] for a full listing of all my bills.

Please come and visit us in Richmond. We are in Room 323 of the General Assembly Building. If you can't make it, please know that you are invited to my constituent town hall with Del. David Bulova (D-37) on Saturday, Jan. 29, at 10 a.m. at the Fairfax City Hall.

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THURSDAY/JAN. 20

Are You 50 or Better? 12 p.m. at Jubilee Christian Center, 4650 Shirley Gate Road, Fairfax. Lunch N' Life is sponsored by the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke. Linda George will entertain with Broadway tunes and patriotic songs. Reserve at 703-620-0161 by Jan. 13. \$8, checks payable to SCFB. 703-323-4788 or www.fairfax-burkesc.org.

SATURDAY/JAN. 22

Open House. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The Boyds School, 3909 Oak St, Fairfax. Serving infants through middle school. Year round and academic year program options available. 703-934-0920.

Merrifield Garden Center

Seminars. 10 a.m. Register at www.MerrifieldGardenCenter.com/seminars.
❖ Greenhouse Flowers and Foliage. Merrifield Community Hall, 8104 Lee Highway, Merrifield. Reliable and easy to grow houseplants.
❖ Orchids For Everyone. Merrifield Fair Oaks Meeting Room, 12101 Lee Highway, Fairfax. With Jonathan Kavalier, Horticulturist, Smithsonian Institution.

MONDAY/JAN. 24

Surfin' the Tsunami to a Federal Job. 1 p.m. JCCNV, 8900 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax. Free workshop presented by Karol Taylor, federal retiree, federal job search expert and co-author of Guide to America's Federal Jobs. Register at careerinfo@jssa.org.

WEDNESDAY/JAN. 26

JSSA Parent Support Group for Young Adults Across the Autism Spectrum. 7 p.m. at JSSA, 3018 Javier Road, Fairfax. A monthly support group. Identifying community resources, building a support network and balancing one's own needs with that of an adult son or daughter. Register at 703-204-9100.

Financial Literacy Volunteers

Training. 9 a.m. at Our Daily Bread, 10777 Main St., Room 310, Fairfax. Non-profit Our Daily Bread and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) host a free seminar to train Financial Literacy volunteers to teach budgeting strategies to working families the using the FDIC's Money Smart curriculum. Lunch provided. For more information, got to www.our-daily-bread.org or reach by phone at 703-273-8829.

THURSDAY/JAN. 27

Fairfax County Park Authority

Monticello Park Public

Comment Meeting. 7 p.m. in the cafeteria at Bonnie Brae Elementary School, 5420 Sideburn Road, Fairfax. The Park Authority has initiated a public master planning process for Monticello Park, 5315 Guinea Road in Fairfax. The park consists of primarily a large lawn area and is classified as a local-serving park. This meeting will feature a presentation about the site's existing conditions, potential future uses, and the park master planning process. 703-324-8662 or Parkmail@fairfaxcounty.gov.

SATURDAY/JAN. 29

Journey through Grief. 2 p.m. Haven of Northern Virginia, 4606 Ravensworth Road, Annandale. Free workshop. Snow day is Saturday, Feb. 5. Registration is required at 703-941-7000, www.havenofnova.org, or havenofnova@verizon.net.
Merrifield Garden Center Seminars. 10 a.m. Register at www.MerrifieldGardenCenter.com/seminars.
❖ Color And Interest In The Winter Garden. Merrifield Community Hall, 8104 Lee Highway, Merrifield. Create intrigue with berries, seed heads and more.
❖ Growing Bonsai. Merrifield Fair Oaks Meeting Room, 12101 Lee Highway, Fairfax. With Chuck Croft, Northern Virginia Bonsai Society.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Rules Change

The following letter was sent to Sen. Jim Webb (D-Va.)

To Sen. Webb,

I hope you will join your colleague, Sen. Mark Warner (D-Va.) in support of Sen. Tom Udall's (D-N.M.) proposal to change the Senate filibuster rules. It seems the filibuster, not a Constitutional issue, has been abused so many times and used simply to obstruct debate and block up and down voting. It is surprising and shocking to me to learn that a senator does not even have to be on the floor of the Senate in order to employ the filibuster technique.

The idea to end filibusters on motions to begin debate and force senators waging a filibuster to stay on the floor and engage in debate is a worthy one. I hope it will gain your support.

Please lend your support to approval of Sen. Udall's (and 24 of his Senate colleagues) package to change the Senate rules in this manner.

Please lend your hand to ending the paralyzing effect on healthy and necessary debate by the filibuster as it is often currently being employed.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration and support.

George T Dewey
Fairfax

One Grateful Reader

To the Editor:

Your recent article ["For Wrestling Fans, It's a Classic Meet," Fairfax Connection, Dec. 9-13, 2010] on page 13, had a photo of my son Jordan Yost (Fairfax wrestler class of 2010). He is an excellent athlete, a very good student and a great son. He is a freshman at Washington and Lee University and is wrestling there and is doing very well. The reason I am telling you this is partly out of pride, but also to let you and the Connection Newspaper know, just how much the last four years have meant for my son, my Woodson students and myself. Although Jordan was in more than several issues of the Connection, he always took great pride in seeing and reading good stuff about himself ... as would any person. The Fairfax Connection fairly and equally represents all schools in "our" area. It is the only paper I wait for and enjoy looking at, besides our school newspaper.

Thanks for all the time you put in for all of our school, especially Woodson and Fairfax.

Jeff Yost
Principal
Woodson High School

Real Italian Food

To the Editor:

I read with great interest your article about the new Ozzie's Restaurant ["Little Italy Comes to Fairfax Corner," Connection, Dec. 23-29, 2010]. As an Italo-American, I am affronted by Chris Osburn (apparently an instant Italian) taking credit for "creating" fried dough balls. Anyone raised in an Italian household knows what they are. Venture into any Italian feast and you will find cauldrons of hot oil with vendors frying those "dough balls," otherwise known as Zeppoli.

The restaurant serves good Italian food and the waitress who took care of my party did know the proper pronunciation of "bruschetta" — one of my pet peeves.

Gloria Stolfi Toner
Fairfax

HOME SALES

In December 2010, 156 Fairfax homes sold between \$1,175,000-\$148,000.

Address	BR	FB	HB	Postal	City	Sold Price	Type	Lot	AC	Subdivision
3820 DANIELS RUN CT	6	5	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$1,175,000	Detached	0.22	.....	FARRCROFT
3781 THARPER WAY	5	6	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$922,735	Detached	0.89	.....	FAIRFAX FARMS
3781 THARPER WAY	4	6	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$918,000	Detached	0.89	.....	FAIRFAX FARMS
3860 FARRCROFT DR	4	4	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$820,000	Detached	0.18	.....	FARRCROFT
2907 ROSELINE RD	5	4	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$786,830	Detached	0.25	.....	REMINGTON PLACE
2911 ROSELINE	5	4	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$785,155	Detached	0.00	.....	REMINGTON PLACE
12627 DUSTY WHEEL LN	4	3	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$738,000	Detached	0.14	.....	CENTURY OAK
12644 DUSTY WHEEL LN	4	2	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$725,000	Detached	0.18	.....	CENTURY OAK
4334 AMNESTY PL	5	3	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$720,000	Detached	0.18	.....	CHANCERY PARK
3829 HIGHLAND OAKS DR	5	4	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$690,000	Detached	0.14	.....	HIGHLAND OAKS
4024 TOPSHAM	3	3	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$684,496	Townhouse	0.09	.....	KENSINGTON PARC
4223 TROWBRIDGE ST	4	2	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$655,000	Detached	0.17	.....	CRESTMONT SINGLE FAMILY
4020 WALTERS CT	4	3	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$607,500	Detached	0.30	.....	SINGING PINES
4490 MARKET COMMONS DR#PH-04	2	2	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$584,000	Mid-Rise 5-8 Floors	.....	.....	ELAN AT EAST MARKET
12408 WASHINGTON BRICE RD	4	3	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$554,950	Detached	0.27	.....	FAIR OAKS ESTATES
12318 WASHINGTON BRICE RD	4	3	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$549,500	Detached	0.35	.....	FAIR OAKS ESTATES
10614 SPRINGMANN DR	4	3	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$500,000	Detached	0.32	.....	BRIARCLIFF
3548 QUEEN ANNE DR	4	2	1	FAIRFAX	\$490,000	Detached	0.23	AMANS FAIRMONT ESTATES
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12841 MOUNT ROYAL LN	5	2	1	FAIRFAX	\$485,000	Detached	0.24	GREENBRIAR
4151 BROOKGREEN DR	3	2	1	FAIRFAX	\$476,500	Townhouse	0.05	FAIR LAKES COURT
10502 NORMAN AVE	4	3	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$450,000	Detached	0.53	.....	COBDDALE
3501 BROOKWOOD DR	4	3	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$447,000	Detached	0.35	.....	FAIRMONT ESTATES
10106 SCOUT DR	4	3	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$440,000	Detached	0.24	.....	MOSBY WOODS
13219 PRESSMONT LN	4	2	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$438,000	Detached	0.21	.....	GREENBRIAR
4117 FAIRFAX ST	4	2	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$435,000	Detached	0.17	.....	WESTMORE
10911 ORCHARD ST	3	2	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$432,000	Detached	0.89	.....	EL HOGAN
10136 SPRING LAKE TER	4	3	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$430,000	Detached	0.39	.....	COUNTRY CLUB HILLS
4400 MIDDLE RIDGE DR	3	2	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$430,000	Detached	0.33	.....	GREENBRIAR
4110 PORT RAE LN	5	2	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$430,000	Detached	0.24	.....	GREENBRIAR
11726 VALLEY RIDGE CIR	3	3	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$422,000	Townhouse	0.05	.....	PENDERBROOK
9918 BROADVIEW DR	4	2	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$420,000	Detached	0.24	.....	COUNTRY CLUB HILLS
4103 MINSTRELL LN	4	3	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$419,888	Detached	0.28	.....	GREENBRIAR
4301 PERGATE LN	4	2	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$404,000	Detached	0.27	.....	GREENBRIAR
12544 SWEET LEAF TER	3	3	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$402,000	Townhouse	0.06	.....	FAIR WOODS
12342 FOX LAKE CT	3	3	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$395,000	Townhouse	0.06	.....	FAIR RIDGE
4343 STEVENS BATTLE LN	3	2	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$390,000	Townhouse	0.04	.....	CARR AT CEDAR LAKES
4480 MARKET COMMONS DR#615	2	2	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$384,000	Mid-Rise 5-8 Floors	.....	.....	ELAN AT EAST MARKET
9710 RANGER RD	3	3	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$374,900	Townhouse	0.10	.....	CAMBRIDGE STATION
4119 BERRITT ST	3	1	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$370,000	Detached	0.23	.....	GREEN ACRES
12415 ERICA HILL LN	3	2	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$365,000	Townhouse	0.03	.....	CEDAR LAKES
12318 FOX LAKE PL	3	2	2	FAIRFAX	.....	\$361,900	Townhouse	0.04	.....	FAIR RIDGE
9720 MAIN ST	3	2	2	FAIRFAX	.....	\$345,000	Townhouse	0.04	.....	COMSTOCK
13135 QUAIL CREEK LN	4	3	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$340,000	Townhouse	0.03	.....	FAIR LAKES LAND BAY
3903 KERNSTOWN CT	3	3	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$337,750	Townhouse	0.03	.....	FOXFIELD
13202 GRAND JUNCTION DR	3	3	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$325,000	Townhouse	0.03	.....	FOXFIELD
3641 SWEETHORN CT	3	2	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$314,000	Townhouse	0.04	.....	FRANKLIN GLEN
3823 BEVAN DR	3	2	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$300,000	Detached	0.26	.....	FAIRCHESTER
4330D CANNON RIDGE CT #24	2	2	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$300,000	Garden 1-4 Floors	.....	.....	CHRISTOPHER AT CEDAR LKS
3801 RIDGE KNOLL CT #11A	2	2	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$295,000	Garden 1-4 Floors	.....	.....	PENDERBROOK
13244 CUSTOM HOUSE CT	3	2	2	FAIRFAX	.....	\$293,500	Townhouse	0.03	.....	FOXFIELD
10341 SAGER AVE	2	2	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$293,000	Townhouse	.....	.....	THE CROSSINGS
12221 FAIRFIELD HOUSE DR#113	2	3	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$282,000	Garden 1-4 Floors	.....	.....	FAIRFIELD HOUSE
12446A LIBERTY BRIDGE RD#206A	2	2	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$270,000	Other	.....	.....	EAST MARKET AT FAIR LAKE
12935 RIDGEMIST LN	3	2	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$245,000	Townhouse	0.04	.....	TOWNES OF GREENBRIAR
10708 MAPLE ST	3	1	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$220,000	Duplex	0.14	.....	ARDMORE
12008 RIDGE KNOLL DR #8	2	2	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$219,900	Garden 1-4 Floors	.....	.....	PENDERBROOK
13310 BURKITT RD	2	3	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$209,000	Townhouse	0.03	.....	FOXFIELD
3807 GREEN RIDGE CT #301	2	2	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$200,000	Garden 1-4 Floors	.....	.....	HEIGHTS AT PENDERBROOK
12217 FAIRFIELD HOUSE DR#104A	2	2	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$200,000	Garden 1-4 Floors	.....	.....	FAIRFIELD HOUSE
12163 PENDERVIEW TERR#1034	1	1	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$165,000	Garden 1-4 Floors	.....	.....	PENDERBROOK
11149 LITTLEBROOK LN	2	1	1	FAIRFAX	.....	\$158,000	Townhouse	.....	.....	OXFORD ROW CONDOS
10570 MAIN ST #411	2	1	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$150,000	Mid-Rise 5-8 Floors	.....	.....	MAIN STREET GREEN
10570 MAIN ST #123	2	1	0	FAIRFAX	.....	\$150,000	Mid-Rise 5-8 Floors	.....	.....	MAIN STREET GREEN
12938 GRAYS POINTE RD #B	1	1	0	FAIRFAX	\$150,000	Garden 1-4 Floors	GRAYS POINTE
10570 MAIN ST #224	2	1	0	FAIRFAX	\$148,000	Garden 1-4 Floors	MAIN STREET GREEN

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COLLEGE NOTES

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Thirty Fairfax residents have been named to the spring semester dean's list at Radford University. The students included are **Gretchen Leigh Bashore, Benjamin M. Fuentes, Emily Ann Grimes, Arielle Lee Retting, Allison Marie Cormier, Brandyn Noelle Peyton, Christel Anne Ripanti, Dominic A. Da Cruz, Ayesha Mousa Abu-Sbeitan, Lauren Ashley Baumann, Allison Faye Broadus, Brandford John Brooks, James Jeffery Burk, Lauren Marie Cavazos, Lindsey Heather Feld, Samuel Travis, Shane Tyler Gaboury, Hassan Alexander Gray, Oluwakemi C. Joseph-Ojeniyi, Timothy Scott Kennedy, Robert Brando Klopfer, Michael Dennis Nugent, Brittany Diane Owens, Jacqueline Noble Price, Kelsey Anne Ranson, Jessica Jannette Robinson, Erika Marie Stahl, Lindsey Marie Uthoff, Christine Marie Watts, and Eric Rustad Young.**

Kristen Brockway, a resident of Fairfax was named to the dean's list for the spring semester at Florida Institute of Technology in Melbourne. Brockway is a physics major.

Evanthia Angelo of Fairfax received a bachelor of science in industrial and systems engineering degree magna cum laude in industrial and systems engineering from the Virginia Tech College of Engineering.

Sara Elizabeth Duffy of Fairfax was named to the dean's list at Mary Baldwin College in Staunton.

Kristen Brockway, a resident of Fairfax was named to the dean's list for the spring semester at Florida Institute of Technology in Melbourne. Brockway is a physics major.

Rajdeep Bhaduri of Fairfax received a master of business administration degree in business administration from the Pamplin College of Business at Virginia Tech.

Michael Cohen of Fairfax received a master of science degree in human development from the College of Liberal

Arts and Human Sciences at Virginia Tech at the commencement ceremony.

Shailesh Deshpande of Fairfax received a master of science degree in computer science and application from the College of Engineering at Virginia Tech at Lane Stadium in Blacksburg, Va. during the class of 2010 commencement ceremony.

Jason Gray of Fairfax received a master of information technology degree in information technology from the Virginia Tech Graduate School.

Omar Hafez of Fairfax received a master of engineering degree in mechanical engineering from Virginia Tech's College of Engineering.

Maryam Iman of Fairfax received a master of business administration degree in business administration from Virginia Tech's Pamplin College of Business.

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Boundary

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was not aware that the school system has proposed moving students from Clifton and Fairview to her school. The Oak View boundary remained untouched in "option d," so she hasn't been paying as close attention to the boundary study as other school communities.

"I don't even know what to say about how I feel. I guess it would depend on how many students we are talking about. ... It hadn't been affecting us at all so I checked out for a little bit," said Stoddard.

The PTA president added that Oak View, at 5004 Sideburn Road, is fairly long distance from Clifton Elementary.

"I guess I would feel bad for those Clifton students, that is a pretty long ride," said Stoddard.

Under the current recommendations, Eagle View, Londontowne, Bull Run, Powell, Centreville, Fairview and Providence elementary schools would lose at least some students. Fairfax Villa, Willow Springs, Cub Run, Union Mill and Oak View elementary schools would receive children.

Several other schools — Greenbriar East, Greenbriar West, Poplar Tree, Deer Park, Brookfield, Virginia Run and Centre Ridge — would both lose current students and gain new pupils at the same time under this proposal.

The boundary changes, including the closing of Clifton, would primarily take place next year, though the school system would wait to make some shifts until 2013, when the building additions are slated to be complete.

Greenbriar East, Union Mill and Fairfax Villa would have to receive eight-room building extensions for this redistricting effort to work, according to Tistadt. The school system would also relocate a eight-room classroom modular to Centreville Elementary and make some interior modifications at Fairview under this recommendation, according to school board documents.

ACCORDING TO the school system, some parents have complained that recommendation would move a few families from Eagle View, Greenbriar East, Poplar Tree and Centreville from full-day kindergarten programs to half-day kindergarten programs at their new schools.

School Board Member Tessie Wilson (Braddock) said some discussion has taken place about expanding the full-day kindergarten program to those schools that are receiving students from those campuses that already have full-day kindergarten.

Wilson said the School Board would prefer to have full-day kindergarten at every school in the county but budget constraints over the past few years have slowed the expansion of the program.

"It is our goal to have full-day kindergarten in all schools but these [receiving] schools would certainly be the ones that would be my top priority," said Wilson.

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OBITUARY
Dorothy Van Liew Ognibene, age 86, formerly of
Burke, VA passed away peacefully on January 11, 2011.

She was preceded in death by her husband Joseph and
brother Allan.

Dorothy is survived by her children- Mike Ognibene,
Stafford, VA, Anne Staudt, Warrenton, VA, Peter Ognibene,
Leesburg, VA, John Ognibene, Chesterfield, VA, James
Ognibene of Salem, MA and Daniel Ognibene of Courtland,
VA; twelve grandchildren- Jeremy, Amanda, Ashleigh, April,
Andrew, Brian, Rachel, Danielle, Katie, Sarah, Luke and
Morgan.

Graveside service was held at Culpeper National Cemetery,
Culpeper, VA. Memorial services on Saturday, Jan. 15 at
11:00 AM at Calvary Christian Church, 9800 Old Keene Mill
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be made to Capital Hospice, Attn: Philanthropy Office, 2900
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with her Savior on Tuesday, January 11, 2011. Bettye was
born in Salem, Va. on August 12, 1934, and is the daughter
of the late Russell and Ruth Gresham.

Bettye is survived by her husband, Bob; children: daugh-
ter, Teri Byers-Koleas and her husband Bob, and her son
Rick, of Springfield, Va.; four granddaughters: Sheri Haupt
of Salem, Va., Allison (Byers) and Heather (Haupt) of Spring-
field, Va., and Amy (Byers) of Harrisonburg, Va.; her brothers:
James L. Gresham and his wife, Judy; Russell Gresham
III and his wife, Carolyn; and Van Gresham and his wife, Bar-
bara; her sister-in-laws: Jean Damewood, Alice Wilburn (and
her husband Gordon), Joyce Haupt, Nell Haupt, Betty Ruth
Nappier, and Joan Miles (and her husband Bud); brother-in-
law: Bill Haupt; and numerous nieces, nephews, grand-nie-
ces and -nephews; God son Josh Brown, and adopted
granddaughters.

Bettye was a former employee of Allstate Insurance
Company (Roanoke, Va.) and Fairfax County Public Schools
(Fairfax, Va.). Between jobs Bettye was a devoted stay-at-
home mom while living in Yorktown, Virginia Beach and
Burke, Va. Throughout her life Bettye was dedicated to
serving her church, involved in being a Sunday School teach-
er, coordinator, and a member of various Methodist women's
circles and activities.

Bettye's forte' was being extremely organized and she
loved to plant flowers (especially Impatiens); pull weeds; at-
tend her granddaughters' choral, dance and sports events;
give hugs; collect angels; "whistle" while she worked; go to
musicals and plays; participate in various forms of church
and community volunteering; and celebrate with Virginia
Tech fans by dancing the "Hokie Pokie." She had a talent for
simple crafts and creating photo and memorabilia albums.
Her many nicknames included Bettye Jo, "Sis", BJ, and Bet-
tye-Bob; but her favorite was being called "Granna" by her
granddaughters and so many others who grew to love and
cherish her during her golden years.

She was a loving wife and mother and was happily mar-
ried to her Andrew Lewis High School Sweetheart, Bob, for
57 years. She and Bob built a Christian home where God
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In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be
made, in her memory, to either of the following: First United
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A celebration of her life will be conducted at 2 p.m. on
Sunday, January 23, 2011, followed by a reception for family
and friends, at First United Methodist Church, Salem, Va.,
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