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What To Do on Valentine's Day?

Five people share their plans for and opinions of the holiday.

BY BRIAN CAIN
CONNECTION NEWSPAPERS

People celebrate Valentine's Day in many different ways. Some celebrate by going out to dinner or by buying chocolates and flowers. Some make secret plans to surprise their significant other, while others don't celebrate the holiday at all. Here is a look at what five people in Northern Virginia have planned and what they think of the holiday, with two other options thrown in.

Tina Rasulova, 21, of Burke works at Beau Totale Salon and Spa. She is single but has a surprise in store for her this year. She said she usually gets flowers from her single girlfriends, but this year a close friend of hers is taking her to a Washington, D.C. restaurant, but that's all she knows.

"He said we were going to do something special, but he won't give me the details," she said. "I am excited. I hope it's good. I'm already excited because of his efforts."

Rasulova shared her view of the holiday. "I think if you're in a serious loving relationship, it's just another day where two people are saying they love each other," she said. "I think if you're a new couple, it's more special. You get to surprise each other, get some flowers, chocolate and make it a really special day. But I think long-term couples can definitely make it special by doing something new and interesting, by

spicing up their routine."

Tony Arnold, 26, of Fairfax Station works at the Music and Arts store in Burke. He has been dating his girlfriend for more than five years and said they celebrate Valentine's Day every year, "even if it isn't on the exact day."

He said they usually go to dinner in Washington, D.C. and take in the sites because they "don't get to go down there very much." He said he is still working on plans for this year.

"I have been getting [her] flowers for the last few years but I'll do chocolates [this year]. She loves chocolates," he said.

Of Valentine's Day, Arnold had this to say: "The way my life works, it's almost the same thing one day from the other, so anything to break up that pattern is cool."

Maryam Saeedi Eftekhari, 49, of Fairfax is the owner of Maryam Flowers. She has been married for seven years, but she and her husband do not celebrate Valentine's Day, which might seem strange at first, considering her profession.

"We never celebrate any holiday on time," Eftekhari said. She pointed out that she works every holiday and her husband, who is in the restaurant business, also works every holiday, but that isn't the reason why she doesn't celebrate Valentine's Day.

She said she works extremely long hours leading up to Valentine's Day, which is her busiest single day of the year, and because she's a "perfectionist," she dreads the fact that something could go wrong with one of her 100-150 orders that day.

"If I could do without Valentine's Day, I would," she said, with a laugh.

"I think if you're a new couple, it's more special."

— Tina Rasulova



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Tina Rasulova's close friend has a surprise evening planned.



Sohail Mirza is celebrating with his family.

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Youth Group Defies Storm To Serve the Homeless

Volunteers from Burke Ward of LDS serve food at Lamb Center in Fairfax.

The young women's Laurels group at the Burke Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS) planned for over a month to serve a hot meal to the poor and homeless who gather each day at The Lamb Center in the City of Fairfax.

One member of the group, Kallina Crompton, and her family had previously served a hot breakfast there and recommended the project for the group. After viewing a video of The Lamb Center's operations, the girls' excitement grew and the group's leader, Cindy Ripa, made arrangements with The Lamb Center's hot meals coordinator, Charlie Hoover, to serve lunch on Saturday, Jan. 29.

The plan was to gather as a group and prepare the meal on Wednesday, Jan. 26. Unfortunately, a major snowstorm hit the area that afternoon and evening knocking

out power, making driving extremely treacherous, and closing schools for the rest of the week.

The girls and their leaders thought initially about cancelling the project, but quickly came to the conclusion that the snowstorm was not going to stop them. In homes where power was available, the leaders, the girls and a number of moms pitched in to prepare and bake six large pans of lasagna to serve The Lamb Center guests.

On Saturday, Jan. 29, Crompton and Veronica Garces with leader Laurie Telles made their way to The Lamb Center and served more than 80 guests. The guests were grateful and many expressed thanks directly to the girls for the freshly prepared hot lasagna. Others were grateful for the effort made by the youth group in spite of



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Kallina Crompton and Veronica Garces serve a Lamb Center guest.

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Snap, Snap — It's Coffeehouse Time

West Springfield High School Guitar Club hosts Coffeehouse fund raiser.

BY AMBER HEALY
THE CONNECTION

For the 10th year, the West Springfield High School Guitar Club is preparing for its Coffeehouse, an afternoon of free-form music played by the school's guitar students.

"The Guitar Coffeehouse was started to give the kids an opportunity to perform their own music," said Keith Owens, the school's guitar teacher, who started the Coffeehouse event. "We spend a lot of time educating students how to play and exposing them to music we feel is important and influential. The Coffeehouse gives them the opportunity to play the music that they feel matters or even play their own compositions."

It's a relaxed atmosphere, set up in the school's cafeteria, and the students are free to play either solo or in groups, said Owens, who has taught at West Springfield for all 20 years of the school's guitar program.

"It's basically an organized open mic night," he said. "The Guitar Boosters make sandwiches and other baked items and local coffee shops donate coffee for the par-



West Springfield High School Guitar Club members Jeremiah Richards and Lorenz Cruz will be performing in the Feb. 17 coffeehouse.

ents and other audience members."

Laurie McCreedy, president of the booster club, echoed Owens' eagerness for this year's event.

"I think the students like going to a place that is fun, warm, and they can basically play guitar together without worries," she said.

Unlike previous years, the booster club is also offering a fund raiser with Schwan Foods, having taken orders over the past few weeks which will be delivered after the

Coffeehouse. The delivery truck will have some additional items available for purchase the night of the event, McCreedy said, and the proceeds from the fund raiser go to help the booster club pay for its annual spring trip. Any sales that are not associated with a particular student will be applied to the overall guitar program, she said.

Even more excited than the parents are the students, of course, but a few admit they're a little nervous to perform in public.

"It's fun to get together with people and be able to make music for everyone there."

— Lauren Marquez

"I get nervous about messing up, but once I'm on stage it isn't so bad," said Lauren Marquez, a senior at West Springfield who has been playing guitar for six years and who participated in the Coffeehouse last year.

She got her start playing instruments even easier, she said.

"My grandpa played guitar for me when I was little and sent me my first guitar," she said. "I also play piano and ukulele."

At the Coffeehouse, she plans to play some cover songs with her friend, Maeve Nash.

"It's fun to get together with people and be able to make music for everyone there," she said.

Joining her will be Mitch Faulkner, another senior, who has been playing guitar for five years and who also happens to play the ukulele.

"The guitar always caught my attention when I would see people play it and I wanted to learn, so I did," he said. "I enjoy

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These Dads On Watch and In Demand

Program promotes fathers serving as volunteers at Terra Centre Elementary.

BY CHELSEA MUTH
THE CONNECTION

Terra Centre Elementary School is commanding a new security troop. Protective and loyal like the mascots on their chests, the WatchDOGS (Dads of Great Students) were called to duty in December. Part of a national program to promote safety and father involvement in school, the Terra WatchDOGS have launched at full force.

"We have to get to school early," kindergartener Cullen Davis told his father's first volunteer day in December. "Dad is the WatchDOG today."

Chad Davis arrived on time and in uniform to greet students as they entered school. Beside his son Cullen and daughter Peyton, he went on the morning TV show to introduce himself as a WatchDOG. On duty, he assisted both of his children's classrooms, reading to students, helping with projects and providing general supervision.

"When walking with my son's class back from an activity, two little girls just walked up to me, held my hand and wanted me to

walk them all the way back to their classroom," Davis said. "I heard 'Hey, there's the WatchDOG' followed by a high-five, many times."

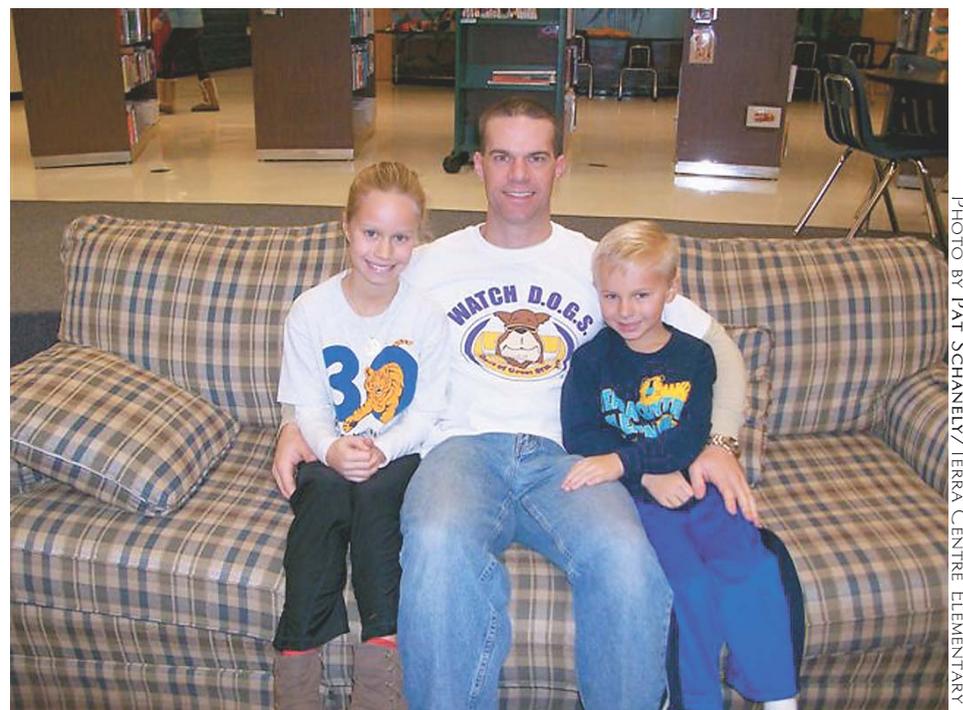
In an effort to make their presence known, the fathers make rounds at lunch, recess and in the halls.

"When there's nothing else I can do as a parent, I go pop my head in other classrooms," said "Top Dog" Spencer Schoen, recruited as head WatchDOG by the PTA. "That's when kids ask if I can tie their shoe or open their straws at lunch."

The National Center for Fathering, which founded WatchDOGS in 1998 after a middle school shooting in Arkansas, helped Schoen launch the "father involvement initiative." Schoen and principal Michele Sims modeled Terra Centre's volunteer initiative after successful branches in other local schools.

This past fall, the PTA hosted a kickoff pizza party for the fathers. Preceding a regular PTA meeting, the party turned parents onto the idea of daylong father volunteering. The sign-up list grew instantly.

Building a positive male presence in the



Lt. Col. Chad Davis spends quality time with his kindergartener son, Cullen, and third grade daughter, Peyton.

school, Schoen enlists all adult father figures, including uncles, grandfathers and older brothers. As a Navy lieutenant and PTA member, he stresses the importance of

adult-males being present in children's lives, despite busy schedules.

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County Animal Shelter Hosts 'Be Mine, Feline' Event

The Fairfax County Animal Shelter is currently hosting a special adoption, through Feb. 28, called "Be Mine, Feline," highlighting cats and kittens available for adoption. The shelter is including a special assessment of each cat's personality to help prospective adopters find the right feline for their family.

In November 2010, the shelter received 161 cats from a hoarding case at a single home. Many of those cats are now healthy and ready to go to safe, loving, permanent homes. Many other cats and kittens staying at the shelter this winter are also available.

"Throughout February, the shelter will be in the business of matchmaking, helping adopters match the right cat for their lifestyle and their home," said Dr. Karen Diviney, the shelter director.

To view cats (and other animals) available for adoption, visit the shelter Tuesdays through Fridays, 12-7 p.m.; and Saturdays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Or, to adopt other types of animals, go to www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police to see the shelter's Adopt-A-Pet feature and learn more about an animal in search of a loving home. For more information, call the shelter at 703-830-1100.

Recycle During Electric Sunday, Feb. 27

Residents may recycle old TVs, computers, peripheral electronic devices, such as keyboards, speakers, printers and scanners, as well as household hazardous wastes, including fluorescent light bulbs and tubes, for free, during Fairfax County's "Electric Sunday" events. The next one is slated for Sunday, Feb. 27, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., at the I-66 Transfer Station, 4618 West Ox Road in Fairfax. For more information, call 703-324-5052.

Blood Donations Needed

The supplies of blood and platelets in the local area are at critically low levels, so the American Red Cross is urging residents to donate. They may do so at the Red Cross branch at 8550 Arlington Blvd. in Fairfax. For appointments, call Lori at 1-800-272-2123.

Tree, Seedlings Available

The Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District is currently holding its annual seedling sale. Two packages are available:

* The Deer Resistant Shrub and Small Tree package costs \$15.95 and includes two of each of the following species: Red osier dogwood, silky dogwood, serviceberry, spicebush, and pawpaw.

* The Wildlife Friendly Tree Package sells for \$10.95 and is ideal for common areas or larger suburban yards. It includes two of each of the following: Black oak, sycamore, and American hornbeam.

All seedlings are native to Northern Virginia. To download an order form or for more information visit: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/nvswcd/seedlingsale.htm>. For more information, contact Nick Kokales at 703-324-1420 or nicholas.kokales@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Feral Cats Need Homes

The Fairfax County Animal Shelter is seeking barn homes for 22 feral cats seized from a hoarding case in November 2010. So far, 12 of them have been placed in barn homes as part of a new, pilot Barn Buddy adoption

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PHOTO BY PAT SCHANEY/TERRA CENTRE ELEMENTARY

Karl Asmus is dad on duty in Arlene Murdock's kindergarten class.

Dads as Dogs at School

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"It's a tough area for dads to be regularly involved. There are lots of military families commuting with tight schedules," Schoen said. "When the dads do get in the schools, they're involved for an hour or so, or have lunch with their children. But the whole point behind WatchDOGS is let's get the dads in the school for one full day a year."

Schoen empathizes with busy dads. He had hoped to spend another day at Terra Centre in February, but is so busy he will have to wait until April. However, Schoen sees this as proof of the WatchDOGS' value.

"It's an opportunity to spend time you don't usually have. We're always running and don't always have the quality time with the kids, to see their friends and their interactions. Even if you have an active spouse in school, they may not be able to tell you all the little things," Schoen said.

Other WatchDOGS echo Schoen's sentiment.

"The kids seemed to think I was just one of them, but bigger and faster than most of them. They chased me all over the playground" said U.S. Army officer and father Karl Asmus. "WatchDOGS is a very positive thing."

"In a small way, I feel like I am making a positive impact by being there just a couple days a year," said WatchDOG Davis.

Teachers reflect enthusiasm for the program as well. "My kids absolutely love it. They get so excited to do projects with the dads," said kindergarten teacher Judy Lavine.

Still in its first months at Terra Centre, the WatchDOGS force is being requested for school dances and public hearings. Fathers are signing up for their third and fourth volunteer day, nearing the goal of having a dog on duty every day.

"Almost all the kids are having the same reaction," said Schoen. They want their dads there. My kids have been asking for days 'When are you coming back again?'"

New 7-Eleven Opens on Burke Commons Road

A grand opening celebration took place recently at Burke's newest 7-Eleven store, located at 6030 Burke Commons Road. The store brings jobs and convenience to Burke. On hand for the grand opening are, from left, Brendan Murphy, Edwin Go and Chris Calcador.



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the storm.
 "It is amazing that young people and their leaders sacrificed their time and made the effort, against weather obstacles, to prepare and serve a hot meal to the homeless," said Henry Marks, assistant director of The Lamb Center. "It says a lot about the type of community we live in."

"It was a wonderful experience," said Garces. "I am glad that I took the time to provide service. I would love to do it again." "This was my second time at The Lamb Center, and serving here is always an uplifting experience," said Crompton.

Telles who accompanied the girls, and was a first-time visitor to The Lamb Center, was impressed by the generosity of the volunteers, and all those whose donations and services help the poor and homeless.

Laurels from the LDS Burke Ward represent Robinson, Lake Braddock and West Springfield High Schools.

For more information go to: <http://thelambcenter.org>.

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program.
 The shelter received 161 cats from a single home in November 2010 following a hoarding investigation. Several of these cats are considered to be feral and have not been socialized with humans; they are more suited to barn homes.

The Barn Buddy cats will be spayed/neutered and vaccinated prior to going to their new homes. In addition, their adoption fee will be waived.

For more information or if interested in adopting a barn cat, e-mail Michelle Hankins at michelle.hankins@fairfaxcounty.gov.

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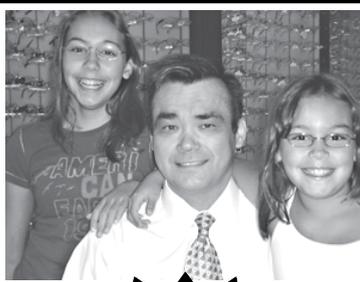
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OPINION

Make It a Real Happy Valentine's Day

'Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex."

These words, conceived in 1923 by Alice Paul, who was jailed at the Occoquan Workhouse in Lorton for demonstrating for women's right to vote, were approved by the United States Congress in 1972 as the Equal Rights Amendment to the United States Constitution.

To amend the constitution required the approval of 38 states; 35 voted in favor. Virginia was not among them.

This year, some of Northern Virginia's representatives in the General Assembly reintroduced the measure, and a resolution supporting the Equal Rights Amendment passed in the Virginia Senate 24-16, with all of Northern Virginia's senators voting in favor.

Thanks especially to state Sen. Patsy Ticer for advocating for what could have been a gift to all the women of Virginia and the United States, and thanks to Senators George Barker, Mark Herring, Janet Howell, Dave Marsden, Chap Petersen, Toddy Puller, Dick Saslaw, and

Better than roses or chocolate, ratify equal rights for women; 35 states have done, but not Virginia; 38 states needed to amend the constitution.

Mary Margaret Whipple for voting in favor of equal rights for women.

Delegates Mark Sickles, Kay Kory and Scott Surovell sponsored the same legislation in the Virginia House of Delegates, but the measure, which previously died in the Virginia General Assembly in 1980, languished in subcommittee.

EDITORIAL

With equal pay for women still just a goal or dream in the United States as just one example ongoing limits to women's rights, ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment would be welcome at the state and national level, and a worthy Valentine's Day present to the mothers, wives, daughters, sisters in Virginia and beyond. With women's rights as a concern worldwide and a consideration in U.S. foreign policy, such a step

Senate Joint Resolution No. 357

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia hereby ratifies and affirms the Equal Rights Amendment to the United States Constitution proposed by the United States Congress on March 22, 1972, and ratified by 35 state legislatures.

would send the message that the U.S. is committed to women's rights at home and beyond.

— MARY KIMM

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Politics of the Bizarre Kind

Democrat introduces ABC privatization bill of plan proposed by Republican governor.

BY SEN. DAVE MARSDEN
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If you ever want to see politics at its most bizarre, you only have to witness what has transpired over the past two weeks regarding ABC (State Liquor Store) privatization. I'm still scratching my head.

First, the governor spends an entire year making the case that ABC stores can be privatized by selling licenses to private enterprise. The sale of these licenses, he believes, would generate a one-time windfall of \$200 million-\$400 million that would be dedicated to transportation. That's fine but no feasibility study has indicated that the \$250 million per year that is currently generated for the state could be maintained under privatization. The governor's number is \$47 million short per year, would drive up the cost of liquor 15 percent according to the University of Richmond, triple the number of liquor outlets and leave Virginia open to untold numbers of unanticipated consequences — increased alcohol related social problems, DUIs, family discord, etc. There are very few delegates or senators who believe this is a good idea. Now for the fun part.

Del. Bob Brink (D-48) of Arlington, hijacked the governor's bill and introduced it in the House of Delegates. The governor praised this action but the Speaker of the House won't bring the bill to the floor because, even with a Republican majority, there are not enough votes to pass it. This would be embarrassing if the governor's own party would not back him, so enter

from stage right Sen. Mark Obenshain (R-26) from Harrisonburg who introduces the bill in the Senate. The reason? Have Democrats, who have the majority in the Senate, kill the bill and the governor would be able to blame them for the failure of this unworkable idea.

Look, very few people think Virginia should have ever entered the alcohol business in the 1930s after prohibition ended. The problem is, we do it too well. It makes money through taxes and mark-ups that

keep other taxes like those on food and income down. It is not a core function of government, but then neither

is bilking money from people — mostly lower income — through the State Lottery. At least this foolishness is not taking up valuable legislative time this year, but it is comical.

My bill to help families save money and plan for their disabled child's future is through the Senate and on its way to the House of Delegates (SB 1175). Helping people help themselves is always a good policy.

My bill to get traffic moving on the Beltway after minor fender benders is also out of the Senate and on its way to the House.

Tomorrow, we vote on my bill (SB 768) to allow Burke Centre to install flashing school zone lights, at their expense, on either side of Terra Centre Elementary to slow

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Richmond Update

To the Editor:

At the halfway mark in the 2011 Legislative Session of the Virginia General Assembly, I wanted to take the opportunity to update you on the status of newly proposed laws currently being debated in Richmond.

As your 41st District representative in the Virginia House of Delegates, I have had a number of responsibilities over the past few weeks in Richmond. These included scheduled meetings of the two House committees on which I am privileged to serve — Transportation, and Militia, Police and Public Safety — reviewing relevant new legislation, in addition to ongoing discussions with colleagues on both sides of the aisle to draft, present, and introduce resulting bills, and daily floor sessions enabling the entire House to formally vote on ways in which to improve the daily lives of

Virginians.

I am particularly pleased to report that my first bill, HB 1877, was officially passed by the House of Delegates last week. A local Home Owners Association had proposed to me that the immunity from civil liability already provided to directors and other officers of tax-exempt organizations should be continued in the event that the organization is dissolved. Accordingly, I am very optimistic that following a similarly favorable vote in the State Senate, the resulting bill will become law on July 1, 2011.

To see a full list of legislation I have introduced, please visit the General Assembly website, at

<http://leg1.state.va.us/lis.htm>. Working with members of both parties and both legislative chambers, I am serving as a co-patron on a number of important bills, including

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Another Week of State Politics

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traffic on the Burke Centre Parkway. The Virginia Department of Transportation and the school system say it is not needed. I think it is and so do the 200 residents who signed a petition, which was offered in testimony, which really helped me get this bill out of committee.

The bill I introduced to create a license plate that would honor the 32 young people killed at Virginia Tech on April 16, 2007 is out of the Senate and on to the House. The House will not approve it until 350 people have signed up. The cost is \$25. Please go

to: <http://vtvfoundation.wsiefusion.net/license-plates.html> for more information on how to get this plate. Come on all you Virginia Tech Grads!

Lastly, kudos to the governor. Gov. Robert McDonnell (R) has proposed spending a projected \$152 million surplus to pay back part of the Virginia Retirement System funds we did not put in last year, add money to the Rainy Day Fund and relieve retail sales businesses of having to accelerate their tax payments to the State. These are great choices. Thank you Gov. McDonnell.

Big vote on the governor's transportation package tomorrow. Will discuss that next week

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health insurance coverage for autism spectrum disorder, establishing the Virginia Higher Education Opportunity Act, enacting formal anti-bullying measures in our public schools, extending polling hours in state and local elections, and supporting increased use of solar resources throughout Virginia.

I am also honored to be co-chairing the new Arts Caucus, along with my colleague, Del. Barbara Comstock (R-34), which is designed to encourage more extensive partnerships between the arts and individual citizens, foundations and the business community. It is our hope and expectation that this new initiative will result in significant social and economic benefits for all Virginians.

The current 2011 Legislative Session will conclude on Feb. 26, and I invite you to share your thoughts on new legislation now being debated in Richmond. Please contact me directly at any time, either by e-mail [Eileen@EileenFillerCorn.com] or by phone at my Richmond office, at 804-698-1041.

LETTERS

When I return to the district later this month, I look forward to speaking with you about the bills that were passed by the General Assembly, implementation of Arts Caucus activities in our district and addressing any questions or concerns you may have regarding our legislative efforts during this session.

Del. Eileen Filler-Corn
D-41



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This year, Girl Scouts from Troop 2742 will be selling cookies via a drivethrough booth on Burke Centre Conservancy Drive in Burke. The booth will be open from Feb. 18-March 27, on Saturdays, from 1-5 p.m., and Sundays, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Drivers will be able to purchase their favorite cookies for \$4 a box. Girl Scouts raise money to support activities, trips and donations to many groups and service projects.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Strumming and Sipping

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playing the ukulele, but I'm not very good at it."

This will be his first appearance at the Coffeehouse, and he likes the idea of the relaxed atmosphere associated with Coffeehouses.

"I get nervous playing in front of people I don't know, but it's something you just get used to."

For the event, he hopes to play his favorite song, "More than Words," by the 1990s rock band Extreme.

David Tobul, another senior and a guitar student for six years, said that while he's been playing guitar for six years and also plays bass and synthesizer, he'll be sitting in the audience this year.

"I enjoy the atmosphere and the fun that we have there, just watching friends play and stuff," he said.

Ryan McCreedy, president of the student board of the boosters club, said he's ready to perform in front of his friends and family.

"I tried violin at first but I got bored with it," he said, and he's been playing guitar for six years, including private lessons before becoming involved at West Springfield.

He remembered one time a musician from Woodbridge came up to the Coffeehouse and took the stage for a few minutes, because in the tradition of open mic nights, anyone who wants to perform is welcome to do so.

"Nowadays, when people go to hear music, you have to go to a club and pay to go in," he said. The Coffeehouse is a nice alternative to that, especially for the high schoolers that aren't old enough to get into some of the 18-and-older clubs in Washington, D.C.

Like the others, Ryan McCreedy is hoping for a



West Springfield guitarists Ryan McCreedy and Erik Rasmussen perform.

big turnout.

"It's hard when there's only like eight people in the audience," he laughed.

The Coffeehouse, like the guitar program at West Springfield, is something special students there have, something other schools don't necessarily offer, Ryan McCreedy said. "We're very fortunate to go to a school that has this for us."

This is the first of several fund raisers the boosters have on their calendar: Another is scheduled for Monday, March 7, at the Austin Grill in Springfield, and a certain percentage of that night's sales will benefit the club, Laurie McCreedy said.

Free Live Music

The West Springfield Guitar Club is hosting its annual Coffeehouse on Friday, Feb. 17, in the school cafeteria, from 5-8 p.m. Admission is free, and the West Springfield Guitar Boosters will be selling sandwiches and chips at the door. More information about the fund raiser and other upcoming events can be found at www.wshsguitar.org.

CALENDAR

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/FEB. 10

George Mason University's Theater of the First Amendment presents "24, 7, 365." 7 p.m. at the Atlas Performing Arts Center, 1333 H St. N.E., Washington, D.C. The world premiere of Jennifer L. Nelson's play putting educated African Americans' attitudes about race, class and social activism under a humorous microscope, as part of Intersections: A New America Arts Festival, opening at the Atlas Arts Center on Feb. 25. www.atlasarts.org or 202-399-7993.

An Intimate Evening with SGGL. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

Artist's Reception. 7 p.m. Fairfax Old Town Hall, Second Floor Gallery, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. Larry Oskin's Art Beautique Images collection. www.FairfaxArtLeague.net.

Paws for Reading. 4-5:15 p.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Practice reading with a trained therapy dog. Age 6-12. Reserve at 703-249-1520.

FRIDAY/FEB. 11

"Six Characters in Search of an Author." 8 p.m. at George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Luigi Pirandello's surrealistic tragicomedy, presented by Aquila Theatre of New York City. Tickets \$17-\$34 at 888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu.

Kid Architect CD Release, Attractions and Poly-Opto. 10 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

Bachelors and Babes for Breast Cancer Fashion Show and Auction. 6 p.m. Waterford at Springfield, 6715 Commerce Street, Springfield. Fifty eligible "bachelors & babes," silent auction, raffle and more. \$25 advance, \$35 at the door, including food and two complimentary drinks. Proceeds benefit HANDS Inc. (Helping and Nurturing from Diagnosis to Survival), focusing on breast, cervical and ovarian cancer. 571-288-9662.

Connie Novak Book Signing: "Crossing the Line." 5-7 p.m. Barnes and Noble, 12193 Fair Lakes Promenade Drive, Fairfax. A memoir of 20 years as a Fairfax County Police Officer, written by the current Chief of Police of the Town of Warrenton. cnplus2@aol.com.

The Vagina Monologues. 8 p.m. George Mason University Harris

Theatre, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. A benefit performance to raise awareness to stop violence against women and girls. Proceeds benefit George Mason University Victims of Violence Fund and the Tahirih Justice Center. Sponsored by George Mason University Sexual Assault Services, Office of Housing and Residence Life and Women and Gender Studies. Tickets \$5-\$25. www.vday.org/about/more-about-or/dlance@gmu.edu.

SATURDAY/FEB. 12

The Civil Wars and Lucy Schwartz at 7 p.m. and The Resistance, The Influence and Cerca Trova at 10 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

Opole, the Philharmonic of Poland. 8 p.m. George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. With Maestro Boguslaw Dawidow. Mozart's overture to "Die Zauberflöte" (The Magic Flute) and Beethoven's Symphony No. 3, "Eroica." Virtuoso Evgeni Mikhailov is joined by the orchestra for Piano Concerto in A minor, Op. 17 by Paderewski. Tickets \$25-\$50, available at 888-945-2468 or

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Fun with Kaydee Puppets. 2:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Goldilocks & The Three Bears and Nursery Rhyme & Rhythm. All ages. 703-293-6227.

Bonita Lestina Concert Series: Kolner Karneval with Alte Kameraden German Band. 8 p.m. Old Town Hall, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. www.fairfaxarts.org.

SUNDAY/FEB. 13

Pat Sommers Rockshop. 1:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

All You Need Is Love 2: Jammin' Java's Songwriters' Circle, A Tribute To The Beatles & Love Songs. 7 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

Valentine Blood Drive. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Woods Community Center, 10100 Wards Grove Circle, Burke. Includes raffle and bake sale to benefit CureSearch, raising funds for childhood cancer research. Top prize is Redskins season tickets.

Appointments available at 1-800-RED-CROSS, sponsor code 17053. www.friendsofsadie.org.

Author Patrick L. O'Neill. 2 p.m. Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center, 10209 Main St., Fairfax. The author and historian will sign and sell his book "Virginia's Presidential Homes." Free. 703-385-8414

MONDAY/FEB. 14

Book Buddies. 4 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Beginning readers practice with a young adult volunteer. Age 5-9 with adult. 703-293-6227.

My Winter Valentine. 10:30 a.m. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Stories and songs. Age 3-5 with adult. 703-978-5600.

Glad! Sad! Mad! 11 a.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Stories and songs about feelings. Tickets distributed 30 minutes before program begins. Age 2-5 with adult. 703-249-1520.

TUESDAY/FEB. 15

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

Evening Book Discussion. 7:30 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. "Mornings on Horseback" by David McCullough. Adults. 703-293-6227.

Book Discussion Group. 1:30 p.m. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. "Shanghai Girls" by Lisa See. Adults. 703-978-5600.

Book Discussion Group. 6:30 p.m. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. "Ireland" by Frank Delaney. Adults. 703-978-5600.

Tiny Tots. 10:30 a.m. Pohick Regional Library, 6450 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. Very short stories and activities. Age 13-17 months with adult. 703-644-7333.

Small Oneders. 11:15 a.m. Pohick Regional Library, 6450 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. Stories and activities. Age 18-23 months with adult. 703-644-7333.

Evening Book Discussion Group. 7 p.m. Pohick Regional Library, 6450 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. "Beach Music" by Pat Conroy. Adults. 703-644-7333.

WEDNESDAY/FEB. 16

Hot: Living Through the Next 50 Years on Earth. 7 p.m. George Mason University, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Environmental writer Mark Hertsgaard on mitigating green house gases and adapting to climate change. 415-874-9145 or www.markhertsgaard.com.

Teddy Bear Tea. 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Stories and activities. Age 3-5 with adult. 703-293-6227.

Writers' Roundtable. 7 p.m. Pohick Regional Library, 6450 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. Discuss your work with other writers. Adults. 703-644-7333.

THURSDAY/FEB. 17

Teddy Bear Tea. 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. Stories and activities. Age 2-3 with adult. 703-293-6227.

Afternoon Reading Group. 1 p.m. City of Fairfax Regional Library, 10360 North St., Fairfax. In the Time of the Butterflies by Julia Alvarez. Adults. 703-293-6227.

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Bruin Girls Leap To Top

Lake Braddock gymnasts grab Patriot District title.

BY JON ROETMAN
THE CONNECTION

The Lake Braddock gymnastics team had all year to think about how it felt to watch Woodson capture the 2010 Patriot District championship on the Bruins' home floor.

On Feb. 3, Lake Braddock didn't miss its opportunity to get back on top.

Led by junior Caitlin Liberatore, the Bruins won the district title with 135.4 points, more than 5 points better than second-place Woodson.

"The girls have been working very hard all season, especially with the [championship] weeks coming up," Lake Braddock head coach Ellen Hagan-Bowerman said. "That was the one goal they wanted. They wanted to bring the title back home. They were very determined and they were committed. That was the biggest thing. They were committed to every skill that they put out there and it showed today. I'm very proud of them."

Liberatore finished second in the all-around for the

second consecutive year and won three of four individual events.

"Getting our title back as a team," Liberatore said, "it was a really good feeling."

Liberatore edged Lee sophomore Leah Michetti on vault (9.35-9.3), bars (9.1-9.075) and floor (9.4-9.25), but Michetti bested Liberatore by more than a point on beam (9.425-8.4), allowing Michetti to capture the all-around title.

"She's a competitor," Hagan-Bowerman said of Liberatore. "When it comes time to compete, she gets the job done. I can depend on her. I tell her exactly what we need to do and she usually follows through. She's very tough on herself. She works hard and she's determined and it shows."

Lake Braddock had five other individuals place in the top eight in at least one event. Sarah Shapiro finished third on beam (8.6) and fifth on floor (8.725), Katie Kubik was third on bars (8.85) and Courtney Galligan finished sixth on vault (8.85), seventh on floor (8.575) and tied for fourth on beam

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Lake Braddock junior Caitlin Liberatore finished first in the vault with a 9.35 at the Patriot District gymnastics championships on Feb. 3.

"That was the one goal they wanted. They wanted to bring the title back home."

— Lake Braddock head gymnastics coach Ellen Hagan-Bowerman



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Seven Ram Wrestlers Capture District

Rams put together a fine showing at Feb. 4-5 Concorde championships.

BY RICH SANDERS
THE CONNECTION

The Robinson Secondary School wrestling team saw seven wrestlers earn individual titles at last weekend's Concorde District championships, which took place Feb. 4-5 at Centreville High School.

Robinson, in the team standings, finished second place overall with 219 points, behind first place Westfield (225.5). Taking third place was Chantilly High (119), which finished ahead of fourth place Oakton (94), fifth place Centreville (67) and sixth place Herndon (22).

Robinson's champions were Wes Jones (160 weight class), Zak DePasquale (145), Brooks Martino (135), Santiago Valdez (130), Jack Bass (125), Jake Smith (119) and Lucas Sodergren (103).

Jones, the top seed at 160, was an 8-2 finals winner over Centreville No. 3-seed Ryan Sepulveda. He had reached the title match with a semifinals pin win over Chantilly's Joe Scholnick.

DePasquale, the top seed at 145, edged Westfield No. 3-seed Nick Lehman, 7-6, in the championship match. Earlier, DePasquale had beaten Oakton's Roscoe

Davis by technical fall in a semifinals match.

In the 135 finals, Martino, Robinson's top seed, earned a late match pin win over Westfield No. 2-seed Frank Aiello. Martino had reached the title match with a semifinals technical fall win over Oakton's Luis Rivera.

At 130, Valdez, the No. 1-seed, bested No. 3-seed Stephen Aiello of Westfield, 7-3, in the championship match. Valdez made it to the title round with a 15-3 semifinals victory over Oakton's AJ Duston.

FIFTH SEEDED Bass of Robinson won matches over both Thomas Price of Oakton and No. 2-seed Derek Arnold of Westfield, 7-0, to reach the finals against Chantilly's Ryland Arnold. Bass continued his stellar district showing by defeating the top seeded Arnold by pin in the championship match.

At 119, Smith, the No. 2-seed, was victorious over Westfield top seed Dennon Carranza-Kee, 6-0, in the finals. Smith had beaten Chantilly's Kyle Smith in the semifinals on a pin.

At 103, Robinson's Sodergren, the top seed, was an 8-3 finals winner over Westfield's David Aiello. He had reached the title match by pinning Herndon's Jared Nielsen in the semifinals.

Robinson second place finishers at districts were Jake Pinkston (heavyweight), Tim Fitzpatrick (171), and Shon Topper (140).

Pinkston lost a hard-contested heavyweight finals match, 5-3, to Westfield No. 1-seed Tyler DeLeon. The No. 2-seed, Pinkston reached the finals with a semifinals pin win over Chantilly's Ian Schircliff.

Fitzpatrick, the No. 2-seed at 171, lost his finals match to top seed Bernabe Mejia of Chantilly. He had beaten Oakton's Josh Newman by pin in a semifinals match.

Topper, Robinson's 140 finalist, lost a 13-3 finals match to Westfield top seed Beau Donahue. Topper, the No. 2-seed, defeated Oakton No. 3-seed Albert Borges, 5-2, in the semifinals.

Robinson's Dallas Smith finished third place at 112 weight class. The No. 5-seed going into districts, Smith won his opening round match over Chantilly's Ali Nadri by pin, then lost to eventual champion and top seed Brett Campbell of Westfield, 2-1. That put Smith in the loser's bracket where he defeated Centreville's Joey Nowak by pin before also beating Herndon No. 3-seed Gabe Pike, 14-2, for third place.

Other place finishers for the Rams were John Buono (189) and Daniel Mika (152), both fourth place finishers.

The Northern Region Championships will take place this Thursday through Saturday (Feb. 10-12) at Fairfax High School.

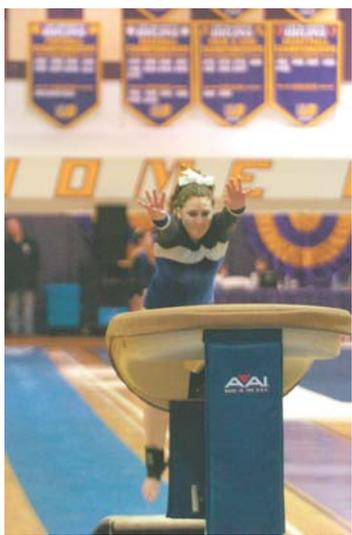
WEEK IN SPORTS

Dorian Shaw, a Robinson Secondary graduate and a senior member of the University of Michigan women's softball team, has been selected, along with Wolverine teammate and senior right-handed pitcher Jordan Taylor (Valencia, Calif.), to the 2011 USA Softball National Collegiate Player of the Year preseason watch list, as announced on Feb. 2 by ASA/USA Softball.

Shaw, a first baseman who is from Burke, claimed NFCA All-America Second Team honors last season as a junior after garnering career highs in every offensive category, including batting average (.362), runs (41), runs batted in (60) and slugging percentage (.855). She tied Michigan's all-time mark for homers hit in a season with 21, and is second all-time in program history with 46 round-trippers. Shaw is a two-time All-Big Ten selection, earning unanimous First Team honors as a freshman in 2008.

Michigan, ranked No. 8 (ESPN.com/USA Softball) and No. 11 (USA Today/NFCA) in pre-season polls, will open the 2011 season at the Houston Invitational, Feb. 11-13, where they will face Southern Illinois, Houston, Ohio and Stephen F. Austin at Cougar Softball Stadium in Houston, Texas.

SPORTS



CRAIG STERBTZEL/THE CONNECTION

Lake Braddock's Courtney Galligan finished in the top eight in three events during the Patriot District gymnastics championship meet on Feb. 3.

Gymnast

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(8.4). Emily Yeh was fifth on vault (8.9) and Emily Hassett was eighth on vault (8.7).

"It feels good to win it and get it back," Shapiro said. "I was definitely really bad [when Woodson won last year]. It hurt a lot."

The Northern Region championships are Thursday, Feb. 10 at Lake Braddock.

FAITH NOTES

Send notes to the Connection at south@connectionnewsletters.com or call 703-778-9416. Deadline is Friday. Dated announcements should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event.

Accotink Unitarian Universalist Church, 10125 Lakehaven Court in Burke, Friday Night Film Series Presents "9500 Liberty," Friday, Feb. 18 at 7:30 p.m. The film will be followed by a discussion on immigration with director Eric Byler. Bring dinner. Free and open to the public, doors open at 7 p.m. www.accotinkuuc.org or 703-503-4579

Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 13421 Twin Lakes Drive in Clifton, offers three levels of ESL Classes every Tuesday and Thursday at 7 p.m. Cost for semester is \$35, including student book. To register, come to the next class. www.lordoflifelutheran.com or 703-323-9500.

Jubilee Christian Center, 4650 Shirley Gate Road in Fairfax, will have a new Bible Study on Tuesdays through March 8 at 9:45 a.m. entitled "Discovering Who We Are in Christ." \$15. Child care available. Register at 703-383-1170 or www.jccag.org.

Interested in the Catholic Faith? Classes will be held at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church in the Guadalupe Room in the Parish Center, 3700 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax, 7:30 p.m. every Wednesday. Contact Carolyn Smith at carolynsmith.stleos@gmail.com or 703-273-5369.

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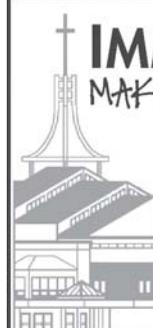


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COMMUNITY

Five People Share Holiday Plans

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Eftekhari said people tell her that she and her husband are such romantics, which is another reason why she doesn't celebrate the holiday — because she doesn't need to.

"He brings me little things all the time," Eftekhari said. "We celebrate Valentine's Day every day."

Eftekhari's opinion of Valentine's Day? "I call it a Hallmark Holiday," she said. She sees the holiday as a chore for men and the first inkling of snow often causes delivery cancellations.

Sohail Mirza, 49, is the owner/operator of Vocelli Pizza in Burke.

Mirza has been married for 20 years and has three children. He leaves work early on Valentine's Day and buys flowers for his wife.

Sohail said he prefers to spend the day at home and have a special dinner.

"I like to spend Valentine's Day with my family," he said. "Valentine's Day is sharing a good day, good times. ... It's a special day for lovers."

Connie Clark, 50, works at the Clifton Wine Shop & Tasting Room.

She has been married for 25 years and has four children. This past summer, her husband surprised her on their 25th anniversary.

"He had my pastor come down and we renewed our vows with my family at Virginia Beach," Clark said. "So, it's my turn to surprise him."

Clark's husband has already taken off work on Valentine's Day, but what he doesn't know is that his wife has a plan to have him leave work early the

Friday before Valentine's Day.

"I'm going to tell him our son is getting an award and to come home early from work," Clark said. "Then I'm just going to drive away with him."

Clark said she will already have the car packed for a surprise return visit to Virginia Beach.

"Hopefully that will all fall into place," she said.

Although Clark will be in Virginia Beach on Valentine's Day, Julie Thompson, the owner of Clifton Wine Shop & Tasting Room, will be hosting a "Be My Valentine" wine tasting from 4-8 p.m. The cost is \$5-7, depending on the selections. Call 703-266-1607 for more information.

HANDS Inc., a nonprofit organization that focuses on breast, cervical and ovarian cancer, is sponsoring an event for those who are single and do not have a date on Valentine's Day. It is the first Bachelors and Babes for Breast Cancer Fashion Show and Auction.

The theme of the fashion show is "the Evolution of Fashion," which will display fashion trends from the 1960s to the present. After the fashion show there will be an auction for "Bachelors and Babes."

"The intentions were to have the auction before Valentine's Day so people would have a valentine," said Evelyn Clarke, HANDS president and executive director. Participants agree to have a date within 30 days of the auction and to accommodate any possible scheduling conflicts. Winning couples will receive a gift certificate for local restaurant vendors. The event is Friday, Feb. 11, at 6 p.m., at the Waterford at Springfield, 6715 Commerce St., Springfield. Tickets are \$25 advance, \$35 at the door. For more information call Clarke at 571-288-9662.

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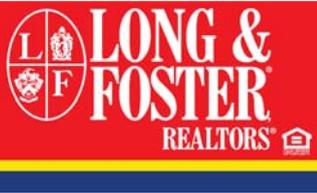


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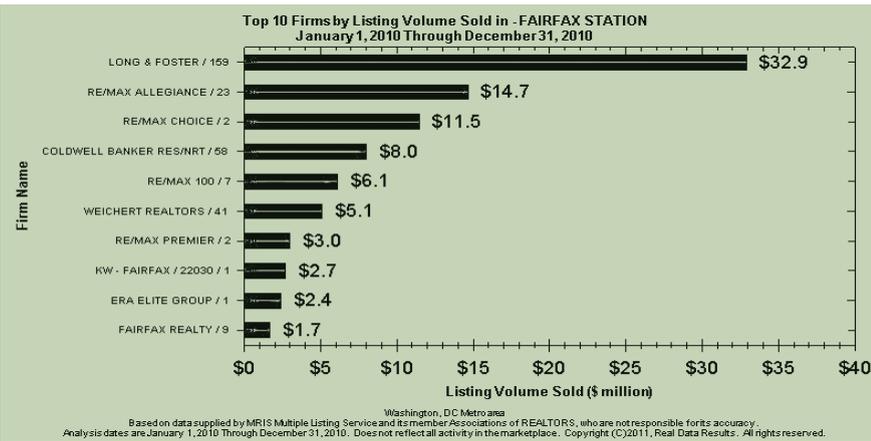
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