

# Burke CONNECTION

# Rams Win State

SPORTS, PAGE 10

Jack Bass, right, made it all the way to the 125-weight class finals, only to lose a close 4-1 decision to Annandale's Dane Harlowe, left, at last Saturday night's Virginia State AAA wrestling championships at Robinson Secondary.

## Renovation On Horizon?

NEWS, PAGE 3

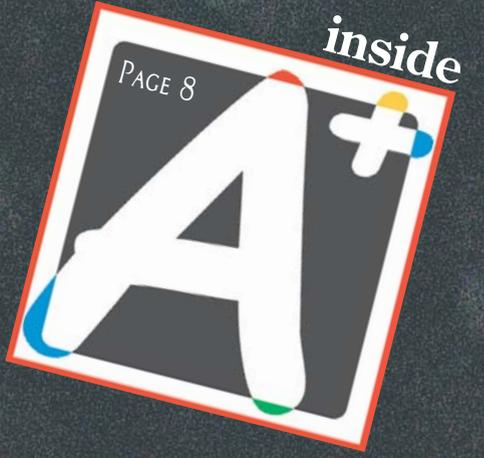


PHOTO BY CRAIG STERBUTZEL/THE CONNECTION SPORTS, PAGE 10 ♦ ENTERTAINMENT, PAGE 9 ♦ CLASSIFIED, PAGE 13

PRST STD  
U.S. POSTAGE  
PAID  
MARTINSBURG, WV  
PERMIT #86

FEBRUARY 24 - MARCH 2, 2011

ONLINE AT [WWW.CONNECTIONNEWSPAPERS.COM](http://WWW.CONNECTIONNEWSPAPERS.COM)

# County Executive Proposes \$3.38 Billion Budget

BY NICHOLAS M. HORROCK

THE CONNECTION

**F**airfax County Executive Anthony H. Griffin proposed a \$3.38 billion budget to the Board of Supervisors Tuesday which if adopted would bar pay raises for county employees and school teachers for another year and could cost an average home owner some

\$110 a year in increased real estate taxes.

Griffin told the supervisors that the budget still has a shortfall of some \$50 million, but this far less than the \$350 million shortfall in the current 2011 budget and was designed to maintain "the quality of life" in Fairfax County, he said.

The board voted Tuesday to "advertise" the tax rate at \$1.09 in the 2012 budget, beginning on July 1, which on a home valued at \$443,511 (the mean assessed value

**Does not include raises for county employees, cuts funds for school raises.**

in the county) would cost the tax payer an additional \$110 a year.

Three members of the board refused to back the \$1.09 figure, offering an amendment to advertise a figure of \$1.065, which would further tighten the amount of money the county would have to spend.

The board's three Republican supervisors John Cook (Braddock), Michael R. Frey (Sully) and Pat Herrity of the Springfield District said the lower rate would force cuts in services rather than an actual increase

SEE GRIFFIN, PAGE 5

## Introduce your best bank to your best friend.



You want the best for your friends, right? We have a proposition that's good for them and for you. If you like banking at Union, do your friends a favor: invite them to a *Union Reunion*. If they open a checking account, we'll make it worthwhile for everyone.

**\$50 for you. \$50 for your friends.**

That's right, we'll give each of you \$50!\* Everybody wins: both of you will get rewarded, your friend will have a great new bank, and we'll have a great new customer.

Just fill out the referral slip below, and introduce your friends to Union. We'll handle the rest. After all, isn't that what friends are for?

**UNION**  
Union First Market Bank

1-800-990-4828 • bankatunion.com

Is it so wrong to love a bank?

### The Union Reunion Referral Program

To make a referral, complete this form and give it to a friend. After they open a new checking account with either a direct deposit made or five debit card purchases, we'll credit both of your accounts with \$50 each!

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

Referring My Friend:

**For bank use only:** New Cust. Acct. No: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Opened: \_\_\_\_\_ Teammate: \_\_\_\_\_

Branch: \_\_\_\_\_ Exist. Cust. Acct. No: \_\_\_\_\_

Send completed forms to Retail Operations on a weekly basis.



\*The Union Reunion Referral Program: Existing Customer: We will pay a \$50 referral award for a new Personal or Business Checking Account to an existing customer after we verify that the new customer you referred opened a new Checking Account and met the other terms of the offer. The value of the referral award will be reported to the IRS as taxable income. New Customer: You must present your Referral Program form at the time of account opening. If you open a Personal or Business Checking Account, you will receive a \$50 referral award if you set up and post a direct deposit of at least \$100 a month or use your debit card to make five or more store purchases within 90 days of account opening. All accounts are subject to our normal approval process. The value of the referral award will be reported to IRS as taxable income. All Business Checking Accounts, excluding public funds are eligible for the Referral Program. Eligibility: You must be a new customer of Union First Market Bank. Offer not available to individuals or businesses that were signers of any Union First Market Bank Checking account that closed in the last six months, and employees of Union First Market Bank and its affiliates. This offer cannot be combined with any other offer. Referral Payment: You must have a Union First Market Bank Checking Account in good standing at the time of payment to receive the referral award. We will pay the referral payment to you by crediting your Checking Account within 90 days of account opening and once the terms of the offer have been met. This offer may be changed or withdrawn at any time and we reserve the right to determine at our sole discretion the eligibility of new customers and existing customers. We also reserve the right to disqualify referrals in circumstances where we reasonably believe they were not made in good faith. We value our customer's privacy and we are unable to give out the identity of customers who have opened an account. If you want to know who has opened a Checking Account, please ask your friends.

## West Springfield High Renovation Moves Forward

**SOAR wants school fast-tracked, seeks alternative funding strategies.**

BY VICTORIA ROSS  
THE CONNECTION

**L**ower construction costs and favorable market conditions have accelerated the timetable for many school renovations projects, including the \$88 million renovation of West Springfield High School, according to Fairfax County School Board officials.

“What’s positive is that WSHS has a place in the queue and is scheduled to be renovated after Langley High School,” said School Board member Liz Bradsher (Springfield). “It has been accelerated due to cost savings and capital decisions made by the School Board.”

Renovation for WSHS is slated to begin in 2016, four years ahead of when originally anticipated in 2009, Bradsher said.

The closing of Pimmit Hills Alternative School and Clifton Elementary School, which the School Board approved last July, coupled with historically low construction bids, enabled FCPS to save \$31 million over the past three years and pushed up the renovation of many schools.

“One bright spot in the economic downturn is that we’re seeing lower costs for construction, enabling us to speed up our renovations,” said FCPS Superintendent Jack D. Dale. “This makes it possible for us to renovate our schools more quickly than originally planned while saving money.”



PHOTO BY VICTORIA ROSS/THE CONNECTION

**Erik Hawkins, president of SOAR, stands in front of West Springfield High School with Monique Craft, a 1972 alumna, and Hawkins’ children, Anya, 10, Luke, 8, and Ainsley, 5). Fifth-grader Anya and second-grader Luke attend Cardinal Forest Elementary and Ainsley attends Grace Weekday Preschool in Springfield.**

On Jan. 20, the School Board approved the FY 2012-16 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), which includes new schools,

renovations and additions over five years, totaling \$804.9 million — \$199.4 million is currently funded with approved school bonds. To complete projects as scheduled in the new CIP, the schools would require a bond referendum in November 2011 to cover the \$600 million shortfall.

Even with the accelerated renovation

schedule, some community activists and elected officials want to fast-track WSHS renovations so that the school is completely overhauled by its 50th anniversary in 2016.

“The renovation queue has been accelerated by a couple of years, but it’s still unacceptable,” said Erik Hawkins, who spearheads the community action group Spartans Organized for Action on Renovation (SOAR). “Even with the new timetable, a complete renovation of WSHS is still a decade away.”

Current FCPS estimates are for the school to be refurbished and modernized by about 2018, and that’s not fast enough for SOAR.

“To put that date in perspective, that means that no West Springfield child currently older than first grade would attend a renovated WSHS,” Hawkins said.

Built in 1966, the 300,000-square-foot high school on Rolling Road currently enrolls more than 2,200 students in ninth through 12th grades and offers many Advanced Placement programs. Optimal capacity is approximately 2,100 students, and that number is expected to jump to 2,500 students in 2014. Like Herndon and Oakton high schools, WSHS is laid out on two stories with the library, planetarium, administration offices and cafeteria in front and auditorium and gymnasiums in the back.

In the summer of 2009, the school received \$2.4 million to fund repairs that included new carpeting, a new \$400,000 state of the art running track and \$55,000 for stadium improvements.

SEE RENOVATION, PAGE 4

## Fairfax County School Discipline: Broken or Perfect?

**Jack Dale criticizes concerns linking recent teen suicides to suspensions.**

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE  
THE CONNECTION

**I**n the last 22 months, two Fairfax County students have died of suicide while coping with their removal from their local high school for disciplinary matters.

When the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously Feb. 8 to “make outreach efforts” to the local school system about student disciplinary tactics,” members hoped to begin a friendly and ongoing discussion about possible reforms to the schools’ current system.

“I want us to come together and ask ‘Can we find a better way to do this?’” said Supervisor Cathy Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill), one of two sponsors of the county measure.

Hudgins is concerned that the school’s current disciplinary process may have caused these students to feel more isolated and could have contributed to their deaths.

“Many parents and students are asking

whether the Zero Tolerance disciplinary policy of FCPS lacks the ability to recognize the emotional difficulties students experience,” she said in a written statement.

Supervisors plan to invite the Fairfax Partnership for Youth and parent groups to put together a forum about student discipline, including how expulsions and suspensions are handled, for both county and school system officials.

### THREE DAYS LATER,

Fairfax County Superintendent Jack Dale made it clear he had no intention of discussing the disciplinary system with the county. Dale said in a statement that Hudgins’ resolution demonstrated a “serious misunderstanding” among the supervisors of the school system’s current disciplinary policies.

Instead, he suggested a broader approach

of tackling teen depression in general.

“I believe our efforts would be far more productive if we focused on the incidence of depression among our county youth and how our agencies can work together to tackle this problem,” wrote Dale in his statement.

Dale said Fairfax County schools do not have a “zero tolerance” approach to discipline and consider every proposal for ex-

Hudgins’ link of two teenage suicides to the school disciplinary process.

“For Supervisor Hudgins to link the two tragic student deaths to their disciplinary processes for the purpose of furthering a falsehood is unconscionable and a blow to those who have already suffered great pain and loss,” wrote Dale.

Dale and Hudgins did not speak to each other directly; each issued public statements.

Last month, sophomore Nick Stuban died a few weeks after he had been forced to leave Woodson High School for Fairfax High School because of an infraction. In 2009, South Lakes High School junior Josh Anderson took his life a few hours before he expected to be

expelled from the entire Fairfax County school system at disciplinary hearing.

According to last year’s Fairfax County Youth Survey, 14 percent of local students had considered suicide and 3.6 percent had attempted suicide at least once. The youth survey shows that students who report abus-

SEE FCPS, PAGE 7

**“I strongly recommend that all members of the Board of Supervisors learn more about FCPS’ practices and policies ...”**

— FCPS Superintendent Jack Dale

pulsion or suspension on an individual basis.

“I strongly recommend that all members of the Board of Supervisors learn more about FCPS’ practices and policies before making public statements that are misinformed and damaging to our students, families and community,” wrote Dale.

Dale also objected in strong language to

## Elizabeth Bradsher To Become a Democrat?

Fairfax County School Board Member Elizabeth Bradsher (Springfield) is considering joining the Democratic Party and attended a recent meeting of the Springfield District Democratic Committee, she said in an interview.

The School Board office is nonpartisan, but the Fairfax County Republican Committee endorsed Bradsher when she ran for the School Board in 2007. Since then, Bradsher said she has had a fall out with some Springfield Republicans, particularly Supervisor Patrick Herrity (R-Springfield).

Over the past two years, Herrity has questioned how the School Board allocates money within the Fairfax County Public Schools system. He has also fought the closing of Clifton Elementary School, a proposal that Bradsher backed.

Bradsher has repeatedly said that Herrity has spread misinformation to the public about Clifton's closing.

"I really don't like the leadership of the Springfield District at this time. It lacks integrity and courage," said Bradsher of why she was considering joining the Democratic Party.

Bradsher is contemplating a run against Herrity for the Springfield supervisor seat as a Democrat this year. She said she would make a final decision whether to jump into the race in the next two weeks, following the School Board's vote on the county's southwestern elementary school boundary study Feb. 24.

If Bradsher decides to run for School Board again, it may also be beneficial for her to join the Democratic Party.

A Republican Party activist, Clifton resident Elizabeth Schultz, has said she will run for Bradsher's School Board seat in November. Bradsher would likely have a fight with Schultz on her hands for the Republican endorsement for School Board.

— JULIA O'DONOGHUE

## Stringfellow, Monument Ramps To Open Feb. 28

On Monday, Feb. 28, the westbound Interstate 66 exit ramps to Monument Drive and Stringfellow Road will open to all traffic — HOV as well as non-HOV — on weekends and during off-peak hours beginning at 10 a.m. New overhead digital message signs will alert drivers as to when the exit ramps are "open," "closed" or "HOV-only." Traffic signs and signals at the top of the exit ramps have been upgraded, and traffic signals near the interchanges will be retimed to accommodate traffic.

"Opening the ramps will be of great benefit to those in the Fair Lakes and Fairfax Corner area, and result in reduced drive time and congestion" said Supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield). "The ramps are critical transportation infrastructure that went unused most of the day. This is a commonsense, low-cost solution that will reduce trip time and improve air quality."

### BULLETIN BOARD

#### SATURDAY/FEB. 26

**Leadership Institute.** The Braddock District Community Engagement Initiative offers a Leadership Institute, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., at the Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Thee Institute is targeted for those who are, or wish to be, officers and directors of civic and homeowners' associations and community-based volunteer and non-profit organizations. The program includes lunch. Spots are limited. Contact Ann Sharp at 703-425-9300 to sign up.

**Lake Braddock Secondary School PTSA Mulch Sale.** Lake Braddock Secondary School, 9200 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Proceeds support the alcohol and drug free All-Night Graduation Party. Double shredded hardwood mulch in 3 cubic-foot bags, \$4.50 each. Orders of 15 bags or more will be delivered March 26-27. Orders of less than 15 must be picked up on Saturday, March 26. www.lbssptsa.org or lbss.mulchman@cox.net. 703-569-1357.

# Renovation Moves Up the List

FROM PAGE 3

"Other than a relatively minor 'patch and paint' touch up, WSHS has never received a structural renovation since it was built," Hawkins said.

Supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield), who has been pressing for renovations to his alma mater since his first year in office in 2008, agreed with Hawkins, and said the school is in dire need of a complete overhaul.

"The school is in horrible shape," Herrity said. "Our senior staircase has fallen 6 inches, and you can see where they pumped in cement to keep it from buckling. The roof is sagging and there are still the old wooden light poles on the main athletic field that even the repair guys refuse to climb."

**In addition** to the escalating structural problems, the school has a 50-year-old HVAC systems, which frequently fluctuates from freezing to boiling and makes some classrooms — particularly computer, chemistry and music rooms — uncomfortable.

Both Hawkins and Herrity said they've been in the computer labs when the temperature has been above 90 degrees.

"The facility just does not provide optimal educational environments all FCPS high school students deserve, especially in science, technology and music," said Hawkins. "FCPS students in unrenovated high schools like West Springfield are placed at an unfair disadvantage among both FCPS student peers in new or renovated schools and also peers from other school systems like Arlington, Loudoun and Prince William."

Monique Craft, a SOAR member and 1972 WSHS graduate, said the conditions at the school make it untenable for faculty and students.

"West Springfield is not the time capsule I want to put my daughter in," she said.

Hawkins added that SOAR members are worried the conditions that have created a favorable financial climate for building projects may not last.

"Construction and financing costs have never been lower. Investing more money in the CIP now can help solve chronic CIP renovation timeline challenges," Hawkins said.

Herrity added that he is supportive of accelerat-

ing the construction timetable to take advantage of unprecedented low construction costs.

"Instead of having two or three construction companies bidding on a project, we now have 10 or 12, which drives the construction costs down considerably. That situation is not going to last," Herrity said.

Hawkins said group members met recently with Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairwoman Sharon Bulova (D-At-large), Bradsher and FCPS financial staff to pitch a proposal that would allocate more funds to leverage the favorable economic conditions.

Bulova said she and Bradsher had met with SOAR, and she has asked Len Wale, the county debt manager in the Department of Management and Budget and Dean Tistadt, chief operating officer of Facilities and Transportation Services, to collaborate on creative financial strategies that might push WSHS and other schools further along the queue.

"At our last meeting, we discussed several strategies for taking advantage of the unprecedented low construction costs right now to help clear some of the backlog for school renovations and construction," Bulova said, adding that she plans to bring a proposal for discussion and consideration at the joint Board of Supervisors and School Board Budget Committee meeting on March 15.

Even if SOAR is successful in its efforts to move the renovation queue forward, a school bond referendum is the most likely financial solution to cover the shortfall in the current CIP.

A detailed list of the renovation projects, along with a firm price tag, could be up for voter approval later this year. Bradsher said she believes the prospects of passing those bonds are good.

"Fairfax County voters have not voted down a bond for well over 35 years," she said. "These bonds are most important and provide a vital funding stream for our many capital needs, most of which pertains to the renovations of our older schools."

"Plainly speaking, our school system sells this county and as such is a promotional tool used to encourage companies to move to Fairfax County and to stay in Fairfax County. Whether we want to believe this or not Fairfax County schools play a key role in providing a stable and strong county economy," Bradsher said.

## Spartans Win District Title



**The West Springfield girls basketball team captured its second consecutive Patriot District championship on Feb. 18 at Lake Braddock Secondary School. The Spartans beat T.C. Williams, 64-50.**

### Girls basketball team defeats T.C. Williams.

The West Springfield girls basketball team defeated T.C. Williams 64-50 on Feb. 18 at Lake Braddock Secondary School to capture its second consecutive Patriot District championship.

Three days later, the Spartans defeated Westfield 45-27 during the opening round of the Northern Region tournament, improving their record to 24-1.

— JON ROETMAN

# Griffin Proposes \$3.38B Budget

FROM PAGE 2

in county revenue. Herrity said it was time to drop the tax rate. "We doubled people's taxes between 2000 and 2007, and its past time we give them some relief."

But Supervisor Jeff McKay (D-Lee) said the \$1.09 figure gives the people of Fairfax a chance to present their ideas of what programs they want in public hearings and budget meetings over the next two months. "The lower figure looks like we have already decided," he said.

When the Board votes to advertise a rate, it can lower the rate in the final adopted budget, but it cannot raise the tax rate without starting all over. Board chairwoman Sharon Bulova (D-At-large) and Supervisors McKay, John W. Foust (D-Dranesville), Catherine M. Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill), Penelope Gross (D-Mason) and Linda Q. Smyth (D-Providence) voted to advertise the \$1.09 rate. The Board may still vote to lower it on April 12.

The total recommended 2012 budget of all funds is \$6.1 billion.

Fairfax County can anticipate less money from Richmond. Staff analysis showed that the Virginia Senate might approve a package with a \$6.9 million loss for fiscal 2012 and that the House of Delegates version could mean a \$10.2 million reduction.

Though the Board of Supervisors does not control the school budgets, it can effectively veto increases the school board seeks. The Fairfax County Public Schools has sought a county "transfer" of \$1,659 bil-

lion, an increase of \$48.8 million, and most of which would go to increase school salaries. But Griffin said that the county cannot have school employees getting an increase when county employees are not and he has proposed \$1.61 billion for schools.

Griffin said his budget plan results in an "available balance" of \$30 million, which the board of supervisors can utilize in several ways including pay increases for county employees or a reduction in the real estate tax rate. Griffin said it could be "saved" for the "critical needs" in 2013.

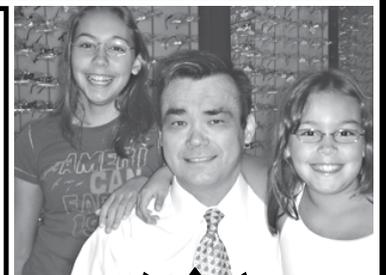
Both Griffin and Bulova see continued bleak economic times in Fairfax. Though the average price of homes sold through the Multiple Listing Service increased 8.9 percent in 2010, the number of homes sold declined some 7.8 percent to 14,100. Foreclosures in Fairfax totaled 842 in December 2010, a 5.8 per cent increase over December 2009.

Even though the Department of Defense transfer of some 19,000 workers to Fairfax in 2011 will increase revenues and investment, several members of the Board see budget tightening in Washington as ominous for Fairfax.

Gross said the county will have to learn more about a crisis in Virginia's ancient system of institutional care for people with mental or developmental disabilities.

The Department of Justice found Virginia needlessly institutionalizes many people with intellectual disabilities and provides too little community based care. The state has 40 days to address the Justice Department report.

**USE  
YOUR  
TRICARE  
BENEFIT!**



**TWO  
CONVENIENT  
LOCATIONS**

- Family & Pediatric Vision Care
- Comprehensive Eye Exams • Treatment of Eye Diseases
- 17 yrs. Naval Service, 6 yrs. Active Duty
- Laser Vision Consultants • Over a thousand frames in stock
- We carry all major brands of contact lenses • In-house lab

**Most Insurances Accepted:**

Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Care First, Medicare, Tricare In-network Doctor, Vision One Discount, Avesis, Aetna HMO/PPO/POS, PHCS, VSP® Network Doctor, EyeMed Vision Care, United Healthcare, VA Medicaid  
**WE WELCOME YOUR DOCTOR'S PRESCRIPTION**

**DR. GENE SWEETNAM  
DR. THANH YANG**

**O P T O M E T R I S T S**

5204A Rolling Rd.  
Burke Professional Center  
Burke, VA 22015  
**703-425-2000**

8951 Ox Rd., Suite 100  
Shoppes at Lorton Valley  
Lorton, VA 22079  
**703-493-9910**

[www.drsweetnam.com](http://www.drsweetnam.com) • [www.sightforvision.com](http://www.sightforvision.com)

**Fall in Love with Your Cabinets All Over Again with Glide-Outs!**

**ShelfGenie®**  
*Designed to Transform*

- Storage solutions custom designed, built & installed in your existing cabinets
- Hold 100 pounds fully extended, so everything is within easy reach
- Locally owned and operated

Call Today for Your **FREE** In-Home Design Consultation!

**(888) 543-4159**  
[www.shelfgenie.com](http://www.shelfgenie.com)

**Home Show Season Special!**  
**20% Off Installation!**  
Buy 5 or More Glide-Outs™ & Save 20% on Installation!  
**Hurry! This Offer Expires March 12, 2011!**

*\*Valid on Glide-Out purchase with this ad. Offers cannot be combined.*

**ShelfGenie's Under Sink Riser**

**Where Your Dental Needs Come First!**

Family Dentistry

**NEW PATIENT SPECIAL**  
**\$79**  
*(Regularly \$224)*  
Includes Exam, Cleaning and X-rays with this coupon

- Crowns, Bridges, Partials, Full Dentures and Implants
- Denture Relining, Dentures and Partials Repaired While You Wait
- Saturday and Evening Appointments Available
- Most Insurances Accepted
- Free Consultation

**703-323-9394**  
[yourdentalfirst.com](http://yourdentalfirst.com)

**Raja Gupta, DDS**  
**Dental First Associates, LLC**

9570 A Burke Road, Burke, VA  
in Burke Village II

# OPINION

## Time to Talk about 'Discipline'

**Schools need to consider the best interests of the student.**

**O**ur hearts go out to the parents of Nick Stuben, a student at Woodson who died of suicide last month after an ordeal of navigating a suspension and disciplinary process that clearly has gone awry.

Nick was not the first local student to suffer from the process. In March 2009, Josh Anderson, then a junior at South Lakes High School, died of suicide the day before he was to face expulsion from the Fairfax County school system at a disciplinary hearing.

It is true that a teenage suicide never has only one cause; the students' deaths are not the "fault" of disciplinary policies. But no one can deny that the disciplinary process contributed to the unhappiness that these two students experienced.

We have heard now from many parents whose teenagers (and even younger children) have suffered through an inflexible and adversarial process that separates students from support systems and healthy activities and even schoolwork at exactly the moment that they need them the most.

Students who have not been in serious trouble before suddenly find themselves isolated at home, unable to participate in sports or clubs, unable to interact with peers or teachers on a regular basis. The results have been

devastating for many families.

Many people are seeking a dialogue to understand and hopefully modify the current approach.

Del. Kaye Kory introduced legislation in the Virginia House of Delegates that would have required schools to notify parents if their student was in trouble that might lead to suspension. The bill failed, but the idea that such legislation might be needed is eye-opening. Fairfax schools opposed it.

Caroline Hemenway founded Fairfax Zero Tolerance Reform, a community group that advocates for changes to Fairfax's approach to disciplinary matters, years ago after her family's ordeal with suspension years ago.

School board member Tina Hone (At-large) has been asking for data about suspensions and expulsions from schools staff, but reports that she has been unable to get good answers, leaving open questions about minority students being over-represented in students who have been suspended, among other issues.

The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously Feb. 8 to "make outreach efforts" to the local school system about student disciplinary tactics, hoping to begin a friendly and ongoing discussion about possible reforms to the schools' current system.

Fairfax County Superintendent Jack Dale made it clear he had no intention of discussing the disciplinary system with the county. Dale said in a statement that the resolution demonstrated a "serious misunderstanding" of the school system's current disciplinary policies.

Note that this exchange involved dueling

### Read On

#### SCHOOL DISCIPLINE: BROKEN OR PERFECT?

Jack Dale criticizes concerns linking teen suicides to suspensions.

**MONDAY, FEB. 21, 2011**

<http://www.connectionnewspapers.com/article.asp?article=348482&paper=72&cat=104>

#### MANTUA TEENAGER REMEMBERED

Nick Stuben, 15, participated in Woodson football, Boy Scouts.

**THURSDAY, JAN. 27, 2011**

<http://www.connectionnewspapers.com/article.asp?article=347811&paper=63&cat=104>

#### ONE STRIKE, THEY'RE OUT

Some families call the school system's policies on marijuana punitive and ineffective.

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 17, 2010**

<http://www.connectionnewspapers.com/article.asp?article=344330&paper=82&cat=104>

"statements," not discussion.

Dale is correct when he suggests a broader approach of tackling teen depression in general, but this must be in addition to grappling with the challenges in the disciplinary process.

"I believe our efforts would be far more productive if we focused on the incidence of depression among our county youth and how our agencies can work together to tackle this problem," wrote Dale in his statement.

In the meantime, if you have a teenager in your family, it might be worth letting him or her know that they shouldn't sign any statements admitting they've done anything wrong at school without having the school call you first.

—MARY KIMM,

[MKIMM@CONNECTIONNEWSPAPERS.COM](mailto:MKIMM@CONNECTIONNEWSPAPERS.COM)

## Big To-Do Over Hotel Tax

BY DAVE MARSDEN  
THE CONNECTION

**T**he late Sen. Jesse Helms of North Carolina once declared, "All farm subsidies were a waste of money ... except for the ones for tobacco because they really help people." Needless to say, North Carolina was a leading tobacco state.

A similar situation was occurring in Virginia this past week. A number of state senators were voting against other senator's requests to establish a "Transient Occupancy (Hotel) Tax" in their districts. They were secure in the knowledge that their localities already had these taxes authorized, so they could appear fiscally conservative at someone else's expense. Senate Majority Leader Dick Saslaw (D-35) decided enough was enough. He put in an amendment to remove authority for these taxes from the districts of those senators that had voted to deprive others from receiving their fair share. Well, you should have heard the howling from one senator. He was put in a situation where he had to either vote to remove revenue from his district or vote not to eliminate \$300 million in taxes statewide. He has always maintained that we pay too many taxes. We gave

him a chance to do something about it and he wouldn't do it.

In the end, the amendment and bill were approved and sent back to the House of Delegates where I am sure it will be rejected. The matter will then be taken up in the budget conference held between the Senate and House to resolve differences. The taxes will be restored but a number of senators will have been shown that you can't be that blatantly hypocritical.

In other news, my bill to require drivers involved in fender benders on the Beltway during HOT Lane construction to advance their vehicles to the next available shoulder or pull off area to exchange information or wait for police was passed in the House Transportation Committee was then referred to the House Courts of Justice Committee because it involved a fine. It died there in a close vote because most members felt it was already covered by the hit and run statute that requires drivers to get their vehicles off the road after an accident. Most people would not think they were authorized to move their vehicle a half-mile to accomplish this. This is what I was trying to clarify to get our traffic moving in Fairfax County. But the committee members did not

## Marsden's Beltway safety bill dies in committee.

want to tinker with the hit and run statute. They do not have to drive the Beltway.

I was also disappointed that my and Del. Eileen Filler-Corn's (D-41) bill to allow the Burke Centre Conservancy to install "flashing yellow lights" at Terra Centre School at their own expense was defeated. The school system would not do it for a variety of reasons and I disagreed. Del. Joe May (R-33), who chairs House Transportation, offered to write a letter to Fairfax County Public Schools in an effort to resolve the matter. I really appreciated that and I hope it is effective.

It looks like I will pass seven bills this year with my bill allowing tax deductions for trusts established for disabled children to be referred to the Disability Commission. Del. Bobby Orrick (R-54), the commission chairman, will explore the proposal in greater detail this summer to see if it is an idea the commission can sponsor next year. Proposals from commissions have great weight with legislators. Four other bills of mine were resolved by committee chairs in the House and Senate by writing letters to state agencies to ask that they take action to accomplish the purpose of my bills.

### THE CONNECTION

[www.ConnectionNewspapers.com](http://www.ConnectionNewspapers.com)

Newspaper of  
**Burke**  
An independent, locally owned weekly  
newspaper delivered to  
homes and businesses.

1606 King Street  
Alexandria, Virginia 22314

**NEWS DEPARTMENT:**  
To discuss ideas and concerns,  
Call: 703-778-9410  
e-mail:

[burke@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:burke@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Michael O'Connell**  
Editor / 703-778-9416

**Victoria Ross**  
Community Reporter  
703-778-9436  
[vross@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:vross@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Nick Horrock**  
County & Projects  
[nhorrock@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:nhorrock@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Jon Roetman**  
Sports Editor  
703-778-9410  
[jroetman@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:jroetman@connectionnewspapers.com)

#### ADVERTISING:

To place an advertisement, call the ad  
department between 9 a.m. and  
5 p.m., Monday - Friday.

Display ads 703-778-9410  
Classified ads 703-778-9411  
Employment ads 703-778-9413

**Steve Hogan**  
Display Advertising, 703-778-9418  
[shogan@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:shogan@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Andrea Smith**  
Classified Advertising, 703-778-9411  
[classified@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:classified@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Barbara Parkinson**  
Employment Advertising  
703-778-9413  
[classified@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:classified@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Editor & Publisher**  
Mary Kimm  
703-778-9433  
[mkimm@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:mkimm@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Editor in Chief**  
Steven Mauren  
**Managing Editors**  
Michael O'Connell, Kemal Kurspahic  
**Photography:**  
Louise Krafft,  
Craig Sterbutzel  
**Art/Design:**  
Geovani Flores, Laurence Foong,  
John Heinly, Wayne Shipp,  
John Smith  
**Production Manager:**  
Jean Card

**CIRCULATION: 703-778-9427**  
**Circulation Manager:**  
Ann Oliver

**CONNECTION NEWSPAPERS,**  
L.L.C.  
**Peter Labovitz**  
President/CEO

**Mary Kimm**  
Publisher/Chief Operating Officer  
703-778-9433  
[mkimm@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:mkimm@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Jerry Vernon**  
Executive Vice President  
[jvernon@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:jvernon@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Wesley DeBrosse**  
Controller

**Debbie Funk**  
National Sales  
703-778-9444  
[debfunk@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:debfunk@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Jeanne Theismann**  
Special Assistant to the Publisher  
703-778-9436  
[jtheismann@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:jtheismann@connectionnewspapers.com)

# FCPS Disciplinary Policies

FROM PAGE 3

ing substances also tend to report considering suicide and attempting suicide at a higher rate, according to Dale.

"There is no link between the tragic suicides that we have had and the disciplinary process. ... I have knowledge of both cases that I can't share with you and there is zero evidence to support that. None," said Dale in an interview.

**JOSH'S PARENTS** disagree with Dale's assessment. "Honestly, the superintendent's response was very mystifying to me," said Tim Anderson, Josh's father. "To say there is nothing that connects the suicide and depression to the disciplinary procedure, we believe it is unconscionable to say that. We believe it is unconscionable to not look [at the disciplinary process]."

Tim Anderson said his family and other people close to Josh believe the emotional strain of the disciplinary hearing and facing expulsion from all Fairfax schools contributed to the teenager's death.

"Obviously it happened on the eve of his second hearing. Whether it was the number one cause or the number five cause, I don't know. But it got him closer than he needed to be to that place. I don't think it is by coincidence that it happened the day before his second hearing," said Tim Anderson in an interview Feb. 15.

The Andersons wonder how Dale might have acquired enough "knowledge" about their son to make any conclusion about the impact of the disciplinary process on Josh's suicide.

"No one from Fairfax County [schools] has ever talked to us about Josh's death. No one from the superintendent's office has ever discussed it with us. If you are really concerned about kids and families in Fairfax County, wouldn't it be the right thing to at least send a condolence card in these cases?" said Tim Anderson.

He added that Dale appears to be more concerned with protecting the school system from liability or a class action lawsuit than addressing the shortfalls of the disciplinary process.

The Andersons' limited contact with the county board on this issue has been a much more positive experience. Hudgins contacted the family before she made her proposal to the county board, asking for input on the issue from Tim Anderson and to make sure he was comfortable with a reference to Josh's death in her written statement.

"Cathy Hudgins — I really appreciate all the things she said. I don't appreciate the approach that Jack Dale took," said Tim Anderson.

**SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER** Tina Hone (At-large) started pushing for a detailed examination of the

process last October.

Hone said it is difficult for her to even deduce what problems might exist in the current system because the administration has never provided her with comprehensive data related to student suspensions and expulsions. Other school board members have also been reluctant to spend time looking potential reforms until they have more information about the effectiveness of the current system, she said.

"We need to see the data. .... But what I have gotten is stonewalling and stalling on this [from school staff]," said Hone.

Hone first started focusing on disciplinary policies and procedures when a parent contacted her to say that her son had been removed from his base school and placed on "long-term suspension" at an alternative high school for over 400 days.

"That student wasn't suspended. He was reassigned to a new school. He received the exact same penalty he would have gotten if he had been expelled from his base school. ... I had hoped to achieve an agreement that no child would be reassigned to one of our alternative high schools for more than 365 days unless he had been expelled from his base school," said Hone.

Among the data that Hone requested was a count how many students receive five-day suspensions, 10-day suspensions, and longer-term suspensions. She also wanted to know what, if any, the suspensions had on students' academic achievement when they returned to class.

Hone also wants evidence that transferring a student from one general education high school to another, which is done often for minor drug offenses, has any discernable positive effects.

"Kids get shuffled a lot and we have no idea what it does for them. We don't know what it does for their base school. It might even be better to have the student come back. We don't know," said Hone.

Technically, many students who are expelled are able to reapply and potentially attend their original school the following year, though Hone knows of no cases anecdotally where this has occurred.

Hone would also like to videotape or otherwise monitor disciplinary hearings, which are conducted by special hearing officers. A few families have complained to Hone and others about hearing officers badgering students.

The Andersons said their son was traumatized during his first hearing and extremely upset about having to go through the process a second time. They have talked to other parents whose children were also emotionally beaten down by aggressive questioning and lectures from the school system's staff. One student they know sobbed for hours after the hearing concluded, said Tim Anderson.

Hone said she has personally witnessed disciplinary officers engaging in unbecoming behavior.

"I have impeded on hearing officers in front of kids. ... Once [a hearing officer] was just banging into a kid's head what a rotten person he was," said Hone.



FILE PHOTO  
**FCPS Superintendent Jack Dale**

## COLLEGE NOTES

Washington College freshman swimmer **Carly Ogren** of Burke won one gold medal and two silver medals at the 2011 Centennial Conference Champion-

ships, which took place Feb. 18-20, at Gettysburg College. A 2010 graduate of Lake Braddock Secondary School, Ogren swam the freestyle leg of the

Shorewomen's gold-medal winning 400-medley relay team, which broke the school and pool records, finishing in 3:59.57.

## Seeking Singers for "Requiem" and "Revelations" by Bradley Ellingboe

Community members are invited to sing! Required rehearsals are Sundays, February 27, March 6, 13 & 20 from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Dress rehearsals with Mr. Ellingboe are Friday, March 25 from 7:30-9:30 p.m. & Saturday, March 26 from 9:00 a.m.-noon. The performance is Sunday, March 27 at 3 p.m. To sing with us, contact Fran Underwood at 703-569-9862, ext. 205 or funderwood@messiahumc.org.



Messiah United Methodist Church  
6215 Rolling Road, Springfield, VA  
703-569-9862 • www.messiahumc.org

IF YOU DO  
YOUR HOMEWORK,  
WE'LL DO YOUR  
HOUSEWORK  
"COMPARE PRICES.  
CHECK REFERENCES"



**MA Stevens Services**  
703-979-1265 MAStevensServices.com

Spring Pots Are Here **60-75% OFF POTS**  
Area's Largest Selection

**50% OFF**  
Japanese Maples  
Over 100 Varieties (6"-12')  
Evergreen Magnolias, Hollies,  
Arborvitae & Leyland Cypress  
Rhododendrons,  
Crape Myrtle, Redbuds

**Off-Season Pricing**  
Free Landscape  
& Hardscape Estimates  
Patios, Walls,  
Walkways, Paver  
Driveways & So  
Much More  
Ends March 1

Spring is in the  
Greenhouse  
Citrus, Cyclamen  
& Amaryllis

**Cravens Nursery & Pottery**  
9023 Arlington Blvd.,  
Fairfax, Virginia  
2 miles west of I-495 on Rt. 50.  
1 mile from I-66 (Vienna Metro)  
**703-573-5025**  
www.cravensnursery.com  
9:00-6:00 • 7 Days a Week

Your Friendly, Neighborhood Thrift Shop

**YESTERDAY'S ROSE**  
where you never see the same thing twice



**MOVING!**

As of May 2011,  
Yesterday's Rose  
will be located at  
**10385 Main Street**  
Corner of Main & University St.

**50% OFF**

Housewares & Linens  
Saturday, 2/26/11  
10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Not valid with other discounts or sales.

**Clothing • Furniture • Housewares**

Servicing The Community Since 1981

9960 Main St. Fairfax, VA  
703-385-9517 • www.yesterdayrose.org

# Rams Stage 'Funny as a Crutch'

**Nine humorous sketches show disabilities in a new light.**

BY BONNIE HOBBS  
THE CONNECTION

**R**obinson Secondary thespians will perform their latest show, "Funny as a Crutch," this summer, in New York and at Scotland's Fringe Festival. First, though, they'll premiere it in the school theater, Friday, March 4, at 8 p.m.

This performance is a fund raiser to help offset the \$4,000 per person cost of the Scotland trip. Tickets are \$20 in advance for early seating, via [www.robinsondrama.org](http://www.robinsondrama.org), or people may pay what they like at the door.

"'Funny as a Crutch' is a series of nine, totally accessible comedy sketches," said Director Chip Rome. "It's about people with disabilities trying to make their way through their world, despite the rest of us."

RAMbunctious Theatre is the group of 14 students producing the show and, afterward, the actors will do a talkback with audience members to get their feedback and reaction.

"This is a wonderful combination of humor for any audience about issues much of the public seems to shy away from," said Rome. "This show brings them

to the forefront in a humorous vein, reduces the tension and makes the audience more comfortable about people with disabilities. It also makes them more aware of their own attitudes; it's been an education for our cast."

Written by Rich Orloff, "Funny as a Crutch" presents the world as seen by those with disabilities. The sketches include:

❖ "The New Land" – Some Mayflower-type adventurers arrive looking for freedom and opportunity in the new land. But they're not sure they want to share it with "other" new adventurers.

❖ "Position Available" – An over-zealous member of C.L.I.C.H.E. (Citizens for Liberal Inclusion of Caring Handicapped Employment) trying to turn an ordinary woman in a wheelchair into a new, liberal icon.

❖ "Toes" – On her 21st birthday, a young woman and her boyfriend announce their engagement to her parents. But the parents disapprove because her fiancé has only nine toes. How would they play This Little Piggie?

❖ "Dutch Treat" – Two women on their last day of vacation in Amsterdam meet a handsome Frenchman. To Tina's surprise, he's more interested in hooking up with her companion Olivia, who uses a wheelchair, than with her.

SEE ROBINSON, PAGE 11

**Jackson Viccora, as the prince, is about to dance with 'Cripplerella,' portrayed by Allison Poms**



PHOTO BY BONNIE HOBBS/THE CONNECTION

## REACH NEW HEIGHTS

AT THE AREA'S BEST ALL INDOOR FITNESS FACILITY

**PARTY PACKAGES AVAILABLE**

---

**ACTIVITIES**

- Adult & Children's Tennis\*
- Swimming
- Racquetball\*
- Cybex Weight Equipment
- Zumba
- Cardiovascular Equipment
- Aerobics/Pilates
- Water Aerobics
- Yoga
- Wellness Seminars
- Personal Training
- Massage Therapy\*
- Masters Swim Program

**CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES**

- Interactive Xergym & Sport Climbing Wall
- Kidfit\*
- Birthday and Team Parties\* (using our climbing wall, XERGYM, and/or pool)
- Kids Nite Out\* (4 hours of fun & play give Mom and Dad a "date night")
- KidZone\*

\*FEE

**REGISTER NOW**

**SWIMMING AND TENNIS LESSONS**

Corporate memberships available

**Home of the Nationally Ranked Curl Burke Swim Team**

*Swim Lessons, Stroke Clinics and Water Aerobics Available*

**703.250.1299**

6001 Burke Commons Rd. Burke, Virginia

15 minutes from Springfield, Newington, Fairfax & Centreville.

[www.burkeclub.com](http://www.burkeclub.com)

**ST. STEPHEN'S & ST. AGNES SCHOOL**

What can make your summer **Picture Perfect?**

Choosing the right camp!

**Summer Times**

2011 Summer Camp Program  
Celebrating 40 Years!

[www.sssas.org/summer](http://www.sssas.org/summer)  
703-212-2777 | Alexandria, Virginia

Starting June 20!

MADSTONE PRODUCTIONS  
In association with  
**CELTIC WOMAN LTD.**  
presents

# Celtic Woman

SONGS FROM THE HEART

2010 EMMY NOMINEE

**LIVE IN CONCERT**

Artistic Director: DAVID DOWNES | Producer: SCOTT FORSTER | Executive Producer: DAVID EMMANUEL

**ON SALE NOW!**  
**Friday, March 11 • 8:00pm**

Tickets available at all Ticketmaster locations,  
202-397-SEAT or online at [ticketmaster.com](http://ticketmaster.com)  
[www.celticwoman.com](http://www.celticwoman.com)

# ENTERTAINMENT

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

## THURSDAY/FEB. 24

**Brendan James and Matt White.** 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. [jamminjava.com](http://jamminjava.com).

**Our Daily Bread Empty Bowls Fundraiser.** 6:30 p.m. Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. A meal of soup and bread, with live music by the Fairfax Saxophone Quartet, a silent auction and raffles. Purchase a hand-crafted bowl for a donation of \$25 and up. Families welcome, \$10 per child or \$20 for two or more children (bowl not included). Proceeds benefit Our Daily Bread, a non-profit that provides aid to working families in Fairfax County. [www.our-daily-bread.org](http://www.our-daily-bread.org) or 703-273-8829.

**Little House Studio Recital with the Morrison Brothers.** 7:30 p.m. Bangkok Blues, 926 West Broad St., Falls Church. Music from Beatles and bluegrass to Natalie MacMaster and Green Day, performed by Little House Studio students under the guidance of director Larry Rice. Pop/country/rock recording artists Truman and Willie Morrison of The Morrison Brothers Band will be joined by Larry Rice on fiddle. Free admission. 703-534-0095 or [www.LarryRiceMusic.com/lessons.html](http://www.LarryRiceMusic.com/lessons.html).

**How to Hire a Home Contractor.** 7 p.m. Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Wil Slaughter, Consumer Affairs, offers tips on hiring a contractor, what should be included in a contract and information on laws related to home improvement. 703-978-5600.

**Friends of Burke Centre Blizzard of Books Sale.** 3 p.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Chase away cabin fever and stock up on great books. 703-249-1520.

**Chinese Scrolls from the Dr. Chi Wang Collection.** Mason Hall Alumni Atrium Gallery at George Mason University, 4400 University Drive in Fairfax. Panel discussion at 5 p.m., and Opening Reception 6-8 p.m. 888-945-2468 or [cfa.gmu.edu](http://cfa.gmu.edu).

**World-music Violin Ensemble Barrage.** 8 p.m. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1624 Trap Road, Vienna. Dancing, traditional and modern songs. \$27. [www.wolftrap.org](http://www.wolftrap.org).

## FRIDAY/FEB. 25

**Cypress String Quartet.** 8 p.m. The Barns at Wolf Trap, 1635 Trap Road, Vienna. A multimedia collaboration with author Jacob Needleman and film producer Michael Schwarz. \$35. [www.wolftrap.org](http://www.wolftrap.org).

**Marshall Crenshaw** at 7:30 p.m. and Griffin House and Charlie Mars at 10 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. [jamminjava.com](http://jamminjava.com).

**"Oklahoma!"** 7:30 p.m. Fairfax High School, 3501 Rebel Run, Fairfax. Advance tickets \$8, at the door \$10. [www.fxplayers.org](http://www.fxplayers.org).

**Lake Braddock Chorus Sock Hop & Silent Auction.** 7 p.m. Lake Braddock Secondary School Cafeteria, 9200 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Family fun with live music by the Rivers Rockabilly Trio and the combined Lake Braddock choruses, dance contests, silent auction and more. \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door. [teachingkat@gmail.com](mailto:teachingkat@gmail.com).

**"Gianni Schicchi."** 8 p.m. George Mason University Harris Theatre, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. The GMU School of Music presents the Mason Opera & Chamber Orchestra performing Giacomo Puccini's satirical one-act opera. Tickets are

\$20 adults, \$15 students/seniors, and a limited number of tickets are free for students with a valid Mason ID. Charge at 888-945-2468 or [cfa.gmu.edu](http://cfa.gmu.edu).

## SATURDAY/FEB. 26

**Movie Mania.** 8 p.m. at W.T. Woodson High School, 9525 Main St., Fairfax. The City of Fairfax Band presents a concert of music from Hollywood classics including Chicken Run, Titanic, Catch Me If You Can, The Red Pony, Avatar, Hunchback of Notre Dame and E.T. \$15 adults, \$9 seniors, free ages 18 and younger. [www.fairfaxband.org](http://www.fairfaxband.org) or 703-757-0220.

**TobyMac Winter Wonder Slam Tour.** 7 p.m. at the George Mason University Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Circle, Fairfax. With Brandon Heath and House of Heroes. Tickets \$15-\$50, available through [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com) or 703-573-SEAT.

**Civil War Authors Book Mart.** 2 p.m. The Civil War Interpretive

## Experience Art of the Motorcycle

The opening reception for the Live Fast-Harley Inspired Art Show will be on Saturday, Feb. 26 from 5-8 p.m. at Patriot Harley-Davidson, 9739 Fairfax Blvd. in Fairfax, with a guest appearance by the artist Letterfly demonstrating traditional "old school" pinstriping. Live Fast will feature art inspired by the gasoline, oil, and freedom that power American Harley-Davidsons, including custom Harley tanks painted especially for this show as well as other pieces the hand-picked stable of artists created for this event. The art exhibit will also be open to the public on Sunday, Feb. 27 from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. The reception is free, but reservations are required for entrance and cocktails at [Livefast@artwhino.com](mailto:Livefast@artwhino.com).



Graffiti-style artwork by Mr. Christopher

Center at Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. Authors of Civil War fiction and non-fiction will discuss and sign their latest books and guides. Proceeds will benefit the restoration of Blenheim. Free. 703-591-0560.

**"Oklahoma!"** 7:30 p.m. Fairfax High School, 3501 Rebel Run, Fairfax. Advance tickets \$8, at the door \$10. [www.fxplayers.org](http://www.fxplayers.org).

**Opening Reception for the "Live Fast-Harley Inspired Art Show."** 5-8 p.m. Patriot Harley-Davidson, 9739 Fairfax Blvd., Fairfax. Artist Letterfly will demonstrate traditional "old school" pinstriping, art inspired by Harley-Davidsons and custom Harley tanks painted for this show. The reception is free, but reservations are required for entrance and cocktails at [Livefast@artwhino.com](mailto:Livefast@artwhino.com).

**"Gianni Schicchi."** 8 p.m. George Mason University Harris Theatre, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. The GMU School of Music presents the Mason Opera & Chamber Orchestra performing Giacomo Puccini's satirical one-act opera. Tickets are \$20 adults, \$15 students/seniors, and a limited number of tickets are free for students with a valid Mason ID. Charge at 888-945-2468 or [cfa.gmu.edu](http://cfa.gmu.edu).

**The "Five Star" Robinson Gives Back Concert.** 7 p.m. St. Stephens

United Methodist Church, 9203 Braddock Road, Burke. All proceeds benefit the Lamb Center. 703-691-3178.

## SUNDAY/FEB. 27

**Disney Live! presents Mickey's Magic Show.** 12:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. at George Mason University Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Drive, Fairfax. Featuring magic from legendary Disney films. Cinderella's rags turn into a beautiful ball gown in a split second, Aladdin's Princess Jasmine levitates into the air and the enchanted dancing brooms in Fantasia help sweep Minnie off of her feet. Mickey Mouse performs illusions along with Cinderella's Fairy Godmother, Alice in Wonderland's Mad Hatter and professional illusionist Brad Ross. Tickets \$22-\$50, available at [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com) or 703-573-SEAT. [www.disneylive.com](http://www.disneylive.com).

**Jay Nash CD Release, Natalia Zukerman and Garrison Starr.** 7 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave.

# NOW OPEN!

cafe **IMA**

## Fusion Asian Restaurant



New Restaurant in  
**University Mall**

FEATURING

**Asian-Fusion, Sushi  
& Hibachi (Japanese Steak)**

10645-B BRADDOCK ROAD | FAIRFAX, VA 22032 | 703.278.9123

**HOPSFROG  
GRILLE**  
Great American Food



Celebrate St. Patrick's with Us  
Great Irish Food During March

Your Neighborhood Place  
for  
Homemade Burgers,  
Soups, Salads, Steaks  
Friendly Service & Cold Drinks

Live Music Wednesdays  
7:30-10:30 PM

Sunday Brunch Buffet  
10 AM-3 PM

**50% OFF Lunch**  
Buy one and get 50% Off  
2nd item of equal or lesser value.  
Offer expires 3/15/11.  
Not valid with any other offers.

**10% OFF  
Entire Check**  
Offer expires 3/15/11.  
Not valid with any other offers.

5765-C Burke Centre Pkwy ■ Burke ■ 703-239-9324

# Robinson Wrestling Rolls to State Title

**Rams, for first time since 1985, take possession of the state AAA crown.**

BY RICH SANDERS  
THE CONNECTION

Throughout the postseason, the Robinson Secondary wrestling team has had one prevailing thought in mind — to capture the program's first state title since 1985. The Rams, under longtime head coach and former Robinson standout wrestler Bryan Hazard, realized all season long that they had the talent, experience and desire to achieve such heights. Following Concorde District and Northern Region team championships in recent weeks, all that was left for the team to accomplish was its original goal of taking the title at states.

Last weekend, Robinson left no room for question as to who is the best team in the state as the Rams, in typical dominant fashion, captured first place running away at the Virginia State AAA championships. Making the team title extra special was the fact that the two-day postseason meet, on Feb. 25-26, took place at Robinson's own Henry M. Smith Field House.

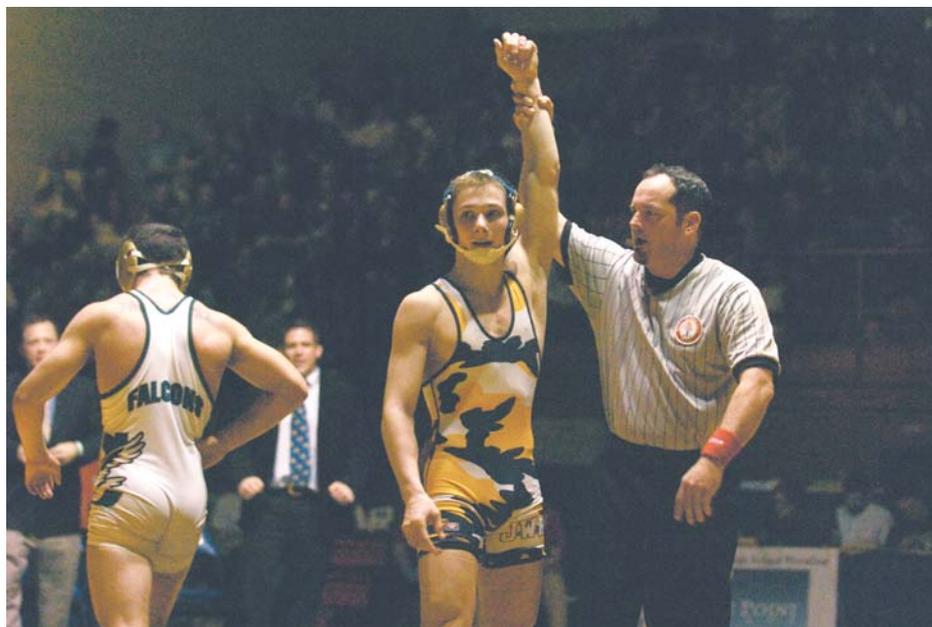
"Now we get to put a 2011 [state championship] banner in our gym," said a joyful Hazard, during Robinson's celebratory moments following Saturday's championship round matches. "Our kids worked so hard and believed. To win a tournament like this you have to believe it."

During post meet ceremonies, former Robinson head coach — John Epperly, of whom Robinson's wrestling room is named after — was the individual who presented the state championship trophy to the Rams.

"It was amazing that Coach Epperly gave us the trophy," said Hazard, a 1991 Robinson graduate who was a part of the Rams' region title winning team that same year. "He's my mentor."

Under Epperly, Robinson won state titles in both 1981 and 1985. The 1985 state crown marked the last time before this year that a team from the Northern Region won the team championship. Over the years, state high school wrestling has, for the most part, been dominated by schools from around the Tidewater/Virginia Beach area.

**THERE WAS LITTLE** suspense going into Saturday night's championship finals matches regarding who would win the team title. Robinson, over the most part of the two days of tournament wrestling up to that point, had easily had the most success. So for the five Robinson wrestlers who were competing in the finals, the pressure of having to win in order to boost the teams' chances was a non-factor. The Rams, they realized, had first place clinched and could



**Robinson's Brooks Martino has the look of a state champion after his 135-weight class wrestling finals win over Cox High School's CJ Jablonski last Saturday night.**

focus on garnering some individual championships.

Robinson's individual state champions were Brooks Martino (135-division) and Jake Smith (119). Rams who reached the finals before losing were Dallas Smith (112), Jack Bass (125), and Jake Pinkston (heavyweight).

Robinson won the team title with 155.5 points, besting runner-up Cox High (125) of Virginia Beach and third place Colonial Forge (98.5) of Stafford. Forest Park (76) of Woodbridge took fourth place and Westfield High (69) from the Northern Region was fifth. Annandale High, also from the Northern Region, finished 11th place at the 20-team meet.

Some of the evening's most drama came at the 119 finals where Jake Smith, in overtime, defeated Jerelle McCabe of Bayside High (Virginia Beach), 6-5. Smith (43-6) led 3-0

after two periods and held a 5-0 advantage following a take down at the edge of the mat with 1 minute, 18 seconds remaining in the third period. But, following a one-point escape point that got McCabe within 5-1 with 20 seconds left, things fell apart for Smith in the closing seconds when his opponent got him onto his back and scored four points. Incredibly when the buzzer sounded, the match was tied at 5-5 and headed into overtime.

"I was wrestling a perfect match until the last couple of seconds," said Smith. "I went in shock [after he tied it] because I thought I'd had the match won. I was a little surprised and flustered going into overtime and tried to keep my head."

The score remained tied following the first 1-minute overtime. In the second OT, Smith, beginning the session in the down position, earned an escape point to take a 6-5 lead with 50 seconds left. Moments later, it appeared McCabe had scored points when he momentarily got Smith onto his

back. But no points were given and Smith still led. Over the final 20 seconds, Smith was on top of McCabe, who nearly got away from the Robinson wrestlers grip as time ran out.

In the end, Smith had held on and gotten the dramatic win.

"I'm just glad I was able to fight it out and win," said Smith. "I fought hard and did what I needed to do. [Winning the title] means everything to me. And winning at

**"I'm so happy for coach Hazard. The championship shows how hard we've worked. And to win it at home, I love it."**

— Robinson Wrestler Brooks Martino

home is an even greater feeling. I couldn't have done it without coach Hazard."

In the moments following the 119 match, a loud, large contingent of beach area fans, frustrated that McCabe had not been awarded overtime points earlier in the second OT, vehemently booed the officials and, seemingly, Smith, whose arm had been raised by an official as the winning wrestler.

Later, Smith would be booed again as he took the medal stand. He took it in stride, smiling as he walked up to his first place standing at the podium.

Of course, the numerous partisan Robinson fans were trying to drown out the boo birds with loud cheers for their champion.

"It was kind of poor for the [beach] fans to boo like that, but a win's a win. I'm real glad I have a state title," said Smith.

He went on to say there was a fairly large part of the close-to-capacity crowd, made up of fans from all across the state that

wanted to see the Rams falter because of their dominance throughout the weekend.

"Everyone is going to want to see the No. 1 team lose," said Smith. "I was ranked No. 1 [going into states] so [that same group] wanted to see me lose."

Smith made it to the finals with wins over Brian Lee of Norview (Chesapeake) by pin; Connor Mairena of Colonia Forge (Stafford), 1-0; and Austin Hurst of Great Bridge (Chesapeake), 5-0.

Martino, at 135, was Robinson's other champion, winning his finals match, 8-4, over CJ Jablonski of Cox High. The Robinson junior trailed in the championship match 4-3 with 48 seconds remaining in the second period before, moments later, earning reverse points to go ahead, 5-4. Early in the third period, Martino got an escape point for a 6-4 advantage. Jablonski, a junior with 130 career wins, required a blood timeout with 1:31 remaining. Thereafter, when the match resumed, Martino was in control of the action. Two late points in the final seconds wrapped up the win and title. At the final buzzer, Martino triumphantly raised his arms into the air.

"It was a tough match," said Martino (43-6). "He came out hard and started very strong. [Late in the match] when I looked at the clock with one second left I just felt joy. Individually, it's such a great feeling."

Of the Rams winning the team title, Martino was even more thrilled.

"Any state championship is huge," he said. "I'm so happy for coach Hazard. The championship shows how hard we've worked. And to win it at home, I love it."

Martino opened the state tournament with a second round pin win over Stuart Jefferson of Matoaca High (Chesapeake) on Friday afternoon. That evening, he was also a pin winner over Timmy Antonelli of Kellam High (Virginia Beach). That advanced Martino into an early Saturday afternoon semifinals match and a 7-1 win over Gabe LaVey of Hanover (Mechanicsville).

One of the best matches of the finals came at heavyweight where Robinson freshmen Jake Pinkston pushed bigger opponent Taylor Horner, a senior from Franklin County (Rocky Mount), to the final seconds before being pinned with three seconds remaining in the match.

Pinkston, the sensational underclassman who, in his first high school postseason, captured both Concorde District and Northern Region titles, made a great showing in the state finals. Following a scoreless first period, Horner (51-5) earned an escape point for a 1-0 lead early in the second period. On two occasions throughout the second period, it appeared Pinkston was going to earn take down points. But the action, during both sequences, led to the wrestlers falling out of bounds and Pinkston still trailed after two periods.

SEE ROBINSON, PAGE 13

# Robinson Show Heading To Off-Broadway, Scotland

FROM PAGE 8

❖ “Just One of Those Things” – During a job interview, the applicant’s “thing” seems to be a continual distraction. But doesn’t everyone have one sort of “thing” or another?

❖ “Nellie” – Nellie is bemoaning her recent breakup when Mr. Puppet and his puppet friends, each with a disability – Captain Hook, Quasimodo, Tiny Tim and Oedipus – try to make her see the light.

❖ “All That He Can Be” – Will the Army be willing to enlist a totally capable young man, even if one of his legs is artificial? “Your regular guy, he gets hit, yells, ‘Medic,’ and he’s out,” says the hopeful. “Me? I get hit, hand me the duct tape. I keep on going.”

❖ “Totally Accessible” – a husband and wife try to surmount the difficulties their disabilities pose to both their vacation plans and their marriage.

❖ “Cripperella” – In this version of Cinderella, the Fairy Godmother’s magic makes Cripperella’s wheelchair invisible to everyone at the ball. But when the prince finds her the next day, will his integrity or image prevail?

“Our drama booster president, Jane Rath, works on disability issues professionally, so she’s been a terrific resource,” said Rome.

“We’ve also had consultants — Melody Goodspeed, a former teacher who’s now blind, and Ben Spangenberg, who’s been in a wheelchair his whole life. They were upbeat and candid about answering a wide range of questions from the cast.”

In “Cripperella,” sophomore Hannah Bunting portrays an ugly stepsister, along with Carys Meyer. “We’re constantly fighting with each other and make fun of Cripperella for her disability,” said Bunting. “We’re wild and nasty, and it’s fun to play something you’re not. I’ve learned that there’s so much depth to a person besides a disability. And it’s not the end of the world for them. They learn about their own character from facing their challenges, and most of them have a good sense of humor about it.”

Calling people with disabilities “heroes,” Bunting said everyone has disabilities, to some extent, so “people who are ‘normal’ shouldn’t think they’re better than others and shouldn’t judge them by their disabili-

ties.”

The actors play several roles, and junior Allison Poms plays Cripperella and also the girl’s mother in “Toes.” Her character is over-protective of her only child and wants the best husband possible for her. “But her fiancé only has nine toes, and that’s unacceptable because I want him to be perfect,” said Poms. “But it’s ironic because I’m in a wheelchair and my husband is blind.”

She said the show’s content is important because “it’s out of our comfort zone and is almost glossed over in everyday life. We’re taught not to point and stare at people with disabilities, and now we’re playing them. I have so much more empathy and respect now for people in wheelchairs. And after meeting the consultants, we see people with disabilities as more human — cool, normal people we can relate to and feel comfortable around.”

In “The New Land,” sophomore Jackson Viccora portrays Uriah, who’s sailed to 1600s America as a settler and clashes with

other settlers not as physically able as him. “These characters aren’t very nice to people with disabilities, so it’s important to raise awareness about how they’re treated,” said Viccora. “Doing it with humor is a good way to show that. I’ve learned a lot. At school, I’d notice disabled students for a second and go back to my life, but I never thought about how they felt.”

He’s also in “Just One of Those Things,” about a disabled man in a job interview. “He’s qualified for the job, but external factors that shouldn’t influence the interviewer’s impression of him, do,” said Viccora. “It’s probably the most abstract of the sketches, but also one of the most relatable because it lets the audience know how someone with a disability feels when he’s slighted like that.”

Chris Keihl operates Mr. Puppet in “Nellie,” and his character ridicules other puppets with disabilities. “But the puppeteer, himself, is in a wheelchair, so he’s hypocritical,” said Keihl. “He wants to be loved and hates being in a wheelchair, so he’s happy when a young girl talks to him. Instead of pitying or avoiding someone who’s disabled, this sketch makes people think of them as a person and consider what they want.”

The cast’s next stop will be off-Broadway, in late July, and Scotland in August.

**“This is a wonderful combination of humor for any audience about issues much of the public seems to shy away from.”**

— Chip Rome

## COMMUNITIES OF WORSHIP

**BURKE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
5690 Oak Leather Drive  
Burke, VA 22015  
703-764-0456  
[www.BurkePresChurch.org](http://www.BurkePresChurch.org)

Sunday Worship: 8:30 & 11:15 am  
9:45 am Sunday School  
Saturday Worship: 5:30 pm  
CoffeeHouse/casual, guest musicians

**Seussical™ the Musical**  
**Youth Musical March 3 - 6**  
[Tickets@BurkePresChurch.org](mailto:Tickets@BurkePresChurch.org)

**IMMANUEL BIBLE CHURCH**  
MAKING ROOM FOR GROWING FAMILIES

OUR WORSHIP SERVICES  
SUNDAYS AT 8, 9:30, 11AM  
VENTURE (YOUNG ADULTS) 10:45AM  
HISPANIC 12:30PM

6911 BRADDOCK RD. SPRINGFIELD, VA 703.941.4124  
[WWW.IMMANUELBIBLE.NET](http://WWW.IMMANUELBIBLE.NET)

**Jubilee Christian Center**  
Celebrating the Sounds of Freedom

Realtime Worship - Sunday 8:45 & 11 AM  
Sunday School 10:10 AM  
Sunday Evening - Realtime Service & Youth 6 PM  
Family Night - Wednesday 7:15 PM  
Call for Sunday Evening Worship Home Group Schedule visit our website: [www.jccag.org](http://www.jccag.org)

4650 Shirley Gate Road, Fairfax  
Bill Frasnelli, PASTOR 703-383-1170  
“Experience the Difference”

**Messiah United Methodist Church**  
[www.messiahumc.org](http://www.messiahumc.org)

Check out our:

- dynamic youth group
- both men’s and women’s ministry
- wonderful choir, bell choirs and a full orchestra

Sunday Services 8:15, 9:30 and 11 am  
Sunday School 9:30 and 11 am  
Childcare is available during worship

6215 Rolling Road, Springfield  
(near West Springfield High School)  
**703-569-9862**

9800 Old Keene Mill Rd.  
703-455-7041

Sunday School  
9:15 AM  
Worship Service  
10:30 AM

**CALVARY CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

[www.calvaryfamily.com](http://www.calvaryfamily.com)  
“Continuing the ministry of Christ on earth”

**Christian Youth Mission Fund Raiser**  
**Art Auction, Saturday, March 19th**  
Preview 6 p.m., Auction 7 p.m.  
**Tickets: \$10/person, \$15/couple**  
Music, door prizes, snacks & guaranteed fun!

For more info visit [www.SUMCdisciples.org](http://www.SUMCdisciples.org)  
or call 703-451-8223.  
Preview the art online at [www.Marinart.com](http://www.Marinart.com)  
(Use code 63634 at checkout)

**Sydenstricker United Methodist Church**  
8508 Hooes Road, Springfield, VA 22153 (corner of Hooes & Sydenstricker)

<b>Baha’i Faith</b> Baha’is of Fairfax County Southwest 703-912-1719	703-455-2400 <b>Christian Reformed</b> Grace Christian Reformed Church 703-323-8033 <b>Episcopal</b> Church of the Good Shepherd 703-323-5400	St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church 703-455-2500 <b>Lutheran</b> Abiding Presence Lutheran Church 703-455-7500 <b>Methodist</b> Burke United Methodist Church 703-250-6100	St. Stephen’s United Methodist Church 703-978-8724 <b>Non-Denominational</b> Burke Community Church 703-425-0205 Calvary Christian Church 703-455-7041 Knollwood Community Church 703-425-2068	<b>Presbyterian</b> Burke Presbyterian Church 703-764-0456 Sansaug Korean Presbyterian 703-425-3377 <b>Unitarian Universalist</b> Accotink Unitarian Universalist 703-503-4579
--	---	---	--	---

**To Advertise Your Community of Worship, Call 703-778-9418**

# OPEN HOUSES

## SAT./SUN. FEB 26 & 27



**5924 Embry Spring Lane, Kingstowne • \$775,000 • Open Sunday 1-4**  
**Barb White Adkins, RE/MAX, 703-609-8950**

When you visit one of these Open Houses, tell the Realtor you saw it in this Connection Newspaper. For more real estate listings and open houses, visit [www.ConnectionNewspapers.com](http://www.ConnectionNewspapers.com) and click the Real Estate links on the right side.

**Call Specific Agents to Confirm Dates & Times.**

### Springfield

8121 Cliffcrest Dr.....	\$324,900	Sun 1-4	Kathy Peters.....	Long & Foster.....	703-915-2165
9055 Northedge Dr.....	\$579,950	Sun 1-4	Kathleen Quintarelli.....	Weichert.....	703-862-8808
8294 Crestmont Cir.....	\$230,000	Sun 2-4	Cecilia Molina.....	Fairfax.....	703-470-0927
7250 Hillmead Ct.....	\$279,750	Sun 1-5	Steve Childress.....	Long & Foster.....	703-981-3277
7105 Red Horse Tavern La.....	\$579,900	Sun 1-4	Kelly & Owen Thomas.....	Jobin.....	703-405-2222

### Kingstowne/Alexandria

5729 Independence Circle.....	\$275,000	Sun 1-4	Christina Wood.....	Keller Williams.....	202-714-9817
5924 Embry Spring La.....	\$775,000	Sun 1-4	Barb White Adkins.....	RE/MAX.....	703-609-8950

### Annandale

7515 Pleasant Way.....	\$479,000	Sun 2-4	Shamein Qadri.....	Saab Realtors.....	703-861-6334
4725 Springbrook Dr.....	\$499,950	Sun 12-3	B.J. Winar.....	Avery-Hess.....	703-402-5072
5020 Woodland Way.....	\$499,900	Sun 1-4	Chunhang Zhu.....	Libra.....	703-829-7788

### Burke

9638 Ironmaster Dr.....	\$549,900	Sun 1-4	Doris Crockett.....	Weichert.....	703-615-8411
7007 Veering La.....	\$569,950	Sun 1-4	Kathleen Quintarelli.....	Weichert.....	703-862-8808

### Fairfax

3502 Mavis Ct.....	\$1,300,000	Sun 1-4	Ingrid Barrett.....	ERA.....	571-216-2313
4664 Luxberry Dr.....	\$474,900	Sun 1-4	Christi Kay.....	Long & Foster.....	703-385-9410
5403 Cheshire Meadows Way.....	\$330,000	Sun 1-4	Julia Johnson.....	Green Valley Realty.....	703-407-7160
13158 Quail Creek La.....	\$379,900	Sun 1-4	Ryan Rice.....	Century 21.....	571-212-8339

### Centreville

14506 Sully Lake Ct.....	\$374,500	Sun 1-4	Courtney Riley.....	Weichert.....	703-934-0400
--------------------------	-----------	---------	---------------------	---------------	--------------

### Woodbridge

4915 Enterprise Ln.....	\$207,000	Sun 1-4	Linda Maxwell.....	Long & Foster.....	703-452-3912
-------------------------	-----------	---------	--------------------	--------------------	--------------

**To add your Realtor represented Open House to these weekly listings, please call Erin Peck at 703-778-9449 or E-Mail the info to [epeck@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:epeck@connectionnewspapers.com) All listings due by Tuesday at 3 pm.**

# HOME SALES

In January 2011, 24 Burke homes sold between \$569,000-\$220,000.

Address .....	BR	FB	HB	Postal	City ..	Sold Price ..	Type .....	Lot	AC .....	Subdivision
10723 BEAR OAK CT .....	4	2	1	BURKE	\$569,000	Detached	0.23	BURKE CENTRE		
5901 CARTERS OAK CT .....	3	3	1	BURKE	\$540,000	Detached	0.25	BURKE CENTRE		
9519 SHIPWRIGHT DR .....	4	2	1	BURKE	\$535,000	Detached	0.20	LONGWOOD KNOLLS		
6215 CAPELLA AVE .....	4	2	1	BURKE	\$525,000	Detached	0.20	BENT TREE		
6104 MEADOWPOND CT .....	5	3	1	BURKE	\$489,900	Detached	0.15	BURKE CENTRE		
9752 IRONMASTER DR .....	3	2	1	BURKE	\$460,000	Detached	0.20	CHERRY RUN		
9705 TINY CT .....	4	2	1	BURKE	\$450,000	Detached	0.20	FOUR OAKS ESTATES		
9305 WINBOURNE RD .....	4	2	1	BURKE	\$445,000	Detached	0.27	LAKE BRADDOCK		
9606 MINSTEAD CT .....	4	3	1	BURKE	\$370,000	Townhouse	0.04	BRITTFORD		
10570 REEDS LANDING CIR .....	3	2	0	BURKE	\$340,000	Townhouse	0.07	BURKE CENTRE		
5807 BANNING PL .....	3	2	1	BURKE	\$309,000	Townhouse	0.04	BURKE STATION SQUARE		
9495 CLOVERDALE CT .....	3	2	1	BURKE	\$300,000	Townhouse	0.03	OLD MILL COMMUNITY		
10314 MOCKINGBIRD POND CT .....	3	2	2	BURKE	\$300,000	Townhouse	0.05	BURKE CENTRE		
6487 FENESTRA CT .....	3	2	1	BURKE	\$277,000	Townhouse	0.05	KEENE MILL WOODS		
9615 WESTPORT LN .....	3	3	1	BURKE	\$276,000	Townhouse	0.05	LAKE BRADDOCK		
9505 CHERRY OAK CT .....	3	3	1	BURKE	\$270,000	Townhouse	0.04	OLD MILL COMMUNITY		
5718 EDGEWATER OAK CT .....	3	2	1	BURKE	\$260,000	Townhouse	0.03	BURKE CENTRE		
5402 LIGHTHOUSE LN .....	3	3	1	BURKE	\$260,000	Townhouse	0.03	LAKE BRADDOCK		
5558 HOLLINS LN .....	3	2	1	BURKE	\$250,000	Townhouse	0.03	LAKE BRADDOCK		
5636 SUMMER OAK WAY .....	2	1	1	BURKE	\$249,900	Townhouse	0.05	BURKE CENTRE		
4965 TIBBITT LN .....	3	1	1	BURKE	\$235,000	Townhouse	0.03	LAKE BRADDOCK		
5641 SUMMER OAK WAY .....	3	1	1	BURKE	\$230,000	Townhouse	0.05	BURKE CENTRE		
6410 FENESTRA CT #56 .....	3	2	1	BURKE	\$221,000	Townhouse	0.05	KEENE MILL WOODS		
5906 BRIDGETOWN CT #37 .....	2	3	0	BURKE	\$220,000	Townhouse	0.05	OAKWOOD COMMONS BURKE		

Copyright 2011 Metropolitan Regional Information Systems, Inc. Visit [www.mris.com](http://www.mris.com).

## COLLEGE NOTES

Send notes to the Connection at [south@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:south@connectionnewspapers.com) or call 703-778-9416. Deadline is Friday. Dated announcements should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event.

**Gabrielle Silvers**, a junior from Burke, made the dean's list at Radford University for the fall semester. She is the daughter of Carolyn and Scott Silvers. Gabrielle Silvers is majoring in biology.

**Joanna Peter** of Burke has been named to the dean's list for the 2010-11 fall semester at Geneva College. Dean's

list status is awarded to students who earn a 3.6 grade point average or better. A senior, Peter is majoring in elementary education.

**Jose Noriega** of Burke was named to the honorable mention list at Alderson-Broaddus College for the fall 2010 semester. Noriega is a business administration major.

**Catherine Elizabeth Kuntz** of Burke, was named to the fall 2010 dean's list at Shenandoah University.

**Amelia Hart Kakar** of Burke was

named to the fall 2010 dean's list at Mary Baldwin College. Students named to the dean's list earned grade point averages of 3.50 to 3.74. To be eligible, a student must be a degree candidate and must have earned at least 12 semester hours for the grading period.

**J. Alex Manzo** has been named to the dean's list for the spring and fall 2010 semesters at East Carolina University in Greenville, N.C. Manzo is a criminal justice major with a minor in alcohol and drug studies in the College of Human Ecology. He is a 2009 graduate of PVI Catholic High School.

## #1 Weichert Agent in Burke & Fairfax Station



**Call Kathleen today and ask for a copy of her "Satisfied Client List"**




**Burke/Longwood Knolls \$569,950**  
**Open Sunday 2/27 1-4**

Mint cond home w/ 4BR, 3.5BA, deck, screened porch, fin walkout bsmt, lovely hrdwd flrs, updated eat-in kit w/ granite, new Andersen windows, spacious MBA w/ sep tub & shower, large familyrm w/ granite bar & greenhouse window, replaced roof, siding, HVAC, garage drs & walkway, walk to school & more.



**Springfield \$579,950**  
**Open Sunday 2/27 1-4**

Beautifully maintained home on landscaped 1/3 acre w/ huge deck, patio, 4BR, 3.5BA, sunny eat-in kit w/ SS stove & microwave, fin walkout bsmt w/ custom blt-ins & recessed lts, quality new windows, new carpet, fresh paint, new HVAC, sprinkler sys, walk to lake, Lake Braddock & Sangster schools.



**Burke \$434,950**  
**Remodeled Kitchen & Baths**

Model perfect home on private fenced lot w/ remodeled eat-in kit w/ SS & blk appl & 42" cabs, amazing MBA w/ granite cntns & porcelain tile, 5BR, 3 full BA, oversized GAR, new A/C 2008, loads of hrdwd flrs, fresh paint, elegant moldings, walk to school & more.



**Reston \$749,950**  
**1/3 Acre Backing to Creek**

Amazing renovations on 3 lvls w/ stunning hi-end kit remodel w/ quartz cntns & huge island w/ double ovens, deck, screened porch, spacious MBR w/ huge walk-in closet, MBA w/ double sinks w/ granite, recently fin lower lvl w/ recrm + den, quality Hardiplank siding, replaced roof, HVAC, walk, garage drs & more.



**Fairfax Sta/Crosspointe \$639,950**  
**Back to Trees**

Beautifully updated col w/ flat fenced yard w/ dramatic mastersuite w/ vaulted clngs & walk-in closet, updated eat-in kit w/ SS appl & granite cntns, loads of hrdwd flrs, sunny fin walk-up bsmt w/ custom blt-ins & full BA, deck, MBA w/ double sinks w/ granite, gas frplc & more.

**Kathleen Quintarelli**  
**703-862-8808**

See Interior Photos at:  
[www.kathleenhomes.com](http://www.kathleenhomes.com) • [kathquintarelli@erols.com](mailto:kathquintarelli@erols.com)



**#1 Weichert Realtor**  
**Burke/Fairfax Station**  
 Licensed Realtor 22 Years  
 NVAR Lifetime Top Producer



# Robinson Wins State

FROM PAGE 10

However, he earned an escape point early in the third period to make it 1-1. From that point on, both wrestlers, as they had done much of the match, competed head to head on their feet, looking for chances to score. Horner finally got the big move late in the match when he scored a takedown with 15 seconds left. Moments later, he got the pin — the first pin win of the finals matches that evening.

Following the match, the Robinson faithful gave Pinkston a rousing ovation. He had gotten to the finals with Friday wins over Dominique Hannibal of Deep Creek (Chesapeake) and Keenan Hughes of Patrick Henry, and then a Saturday semifinals match win over Marcus Matthews of Osbourn High (Manassas), 9-3.

Robinson's other two finalists were Dallas Smith (112) and Bass (125). Smith (30-6) won matches over Sawyer Barksdale of Lee-Davis (Mechanicsville); Dieguito Pritchett of Phoebus (Hampton); and Cam Tomok of Hermitage (Richmond) to reach the finals. In the title match, he lost to Cody Stageberg of Cox High, 9-7.

Smith opened the finals match with an early two-point takedown. The score was tied at 3-3 after one period. Late in the second period, Stageberg, trailing 4-3, scored a takedown to go ahead 5-4. His lead increased to 9-4 in the third period before Smith rallied, getting a reversal with one minute remaining to get within 9-6. In the final seconds, Smith was awarded a stall point to get within 9-7. That's how the match ended.

Bass, in his 125 finals match, lost a 4-1 decision to Annandale's Dane Harlowe. The match was tied at 1-1 before Harlowe (33-5), from the ground, scored a takedown to go up, 3-1, with 1:30 left in the second period. He went on to win the match and garner the state title after finishing second at states last year. Bass, a freshman, finished the season 41-7. His three wins leading up to the finals came over Christian Olanowski of First Colonial (Virginia Beach), 6-4; Donte Henderson of Stafford, 21-5; and Zach Isenhour of Kempsville (Virginia Beach), 2-1.

Other Robinson wrestlers to place at states were: Tim Fitzpatrick (eighth place at 171); Wes Jones (third at 160); Zaq Depasquale (eighth at 145); and Santiago Valdez (third at 130) of Robinson.

## SCHOOL NOTES

**Will Crowley** of Woodson High School is one of the 28 Fairfax County Public Schools students that performed Sunday, Feb. 20, at Carnegie Hall in New York City, as part of the wind ensemble Flutopia. The students performed in A Breath of Fresh Air presented by the Distinguished Concerts International New York series as part of a larger concert. Among the pieces they performed were "Eyes Wide Open" (Eric Jackson), "October" (Eric Whitacre), "Heaven's Light and Fate of the Gods," (Steven Reineke) and the overture to the "Marriage of Figaro" (Mozart).

ZONE 2: • BURKE  
• FAIRFAX • SPRINGFIELD

# EMPLOYMENT

703-917-6464

ZONE 2 AD DEADLINE:  
WEDNESDAY 11 A.M.

### TELEPHONE A great opportunity to WORK AT HOME!

NATIONAL CHILDRENS CENTER  
No sell! Salary + Bonus + Benefits!  
**301-333-1900**  
☎ Weekdays 9-4 ☎

### TELEPHONE A great opportunity to WORK AT HOME!

NATIONAL CHILDRENS CENTER  
No sell! Salary + Bonus + Benefits!  
**301-333-1900**  
☎ Weekdays 9-4 ☎

### Master Plumber

Northern Virginia HVAC Company is in search of a Master Plumber to manage a start up Plumbing division. Must have at least 10 years experience, submit to a drug test, have a good driving record and excellent customer skills. Benefits include top pay with 100% family medical coverage, matching 401k, holiday, vac and PTO. This is a great opportunity to get in at ground level of a growing division. Serious applicants email resume to [Rmurphy@ssihvac.com](mailto:Rmurphy@ssihvac.com).

### EDUCATION TRAINING

### Pharmacy Technician Trainees Needed Now!

Pharmacies now hiring. No experience?  
Job Training & Placement Assistance Avail.  
1-877-240-4524  
CTO SCHEV

### MED BILL & CODING Trainees NEEDED NOW

Medical Offices now hiring. No experience?  
Job Training & Placement Assistance Avail.  
1-800-385-2615  
CTO SCHEV

### DENTAL ASSISTANT TRAINEES NEEDED NOW!

Dental Offices now hiring. No experience?  
Job Training & Placement Assistance Avail.  
1-800-381-1734  
CTO SCHEV

### HOW TO SUBMIT ADS TO

### THE CONNECTION Newspapers & Online

#### CLASSIFIED

**DEADLINES**  
Zones 1, 5, 6.....Mon @ noon  
Zones 2, 3, 4.....Tues @ noon  
E-mail ad with zone choices to:  
[classified@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:classified@connectionnewspapers.com)  
or call Andrea @ 703-778-9411

#### EMPLOYMENT

**DEADLINES**  
Zones 5, 6.....Tues @ 11:00  
Zones 1, 3.....Tues @ 4:00  
Zone 2.....Wed @ 11:00  
Zone 4.....Wed @ 1:00  
E-mail ad with zone choices to:  
[classified@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:classified@connectionnewspapers.com)  
or call Barbara @ 703-778-9413

#### ZONES

- Zone 1:** The Reston Connection  
The Oak Hill/Herndon Connection  
**Zone 2:** The Springfield Connection  
The Burke Connection  
The Fairfax Connection  
The Fairfax Station/Clifton/  
Lorton Connection  
**Zone 3:** The Alexandria Gazette Packet  
The Mount Vernon Gazette  
**Zone 4:** Centre View North  
Centre View South  
**Zone 5:** The Potomac Almanac  
**Zone 6:** The Arlington Connection  
The Vienna/Oakton Connection  
The McLean Connection  
The Great Falls Connection

### RECEPTIONIST

Chiropractic office in Fairfax. Duties include: Data entry, phones, patient scheduling, clerical duties. Part-time hrs. Mon, Wed., and Fri. 2:30pm-7pm. Email resume [DRGMSB27@aol.com](mailto:DRGMSB27@aol.com)

### PRESCHOOL TEACHER

P/T Teacher in 2 year old classroom.  
Kiddie Country, Burke, VA.  
4 year degree required. Loving, caring, professional applicants only.  
Fax: **703-250-7631** or  
Phone: **703-250-6550**



### Nysmith School Preschool to 8th Grade Now Hiring

College Degree Required  
• General Elementary Music Teacher  
with band instruction experience.  
Send resumes to: [resume@nysmith.com](mailto:resume@nysmith.com)  
FAX: 703-713-3336

### Love to Decorate?

Decorating Den Interiors was chosen Best of the Best by entrepreneur Magazine. Home based, flexible schedule, low overhead, wholesale accounts. Call for more information on how you can turn your passion into a business.  
**703-239-8112**  
[DecoratingDen.com](http://DecoratingDen.com)

### VDOT is hiring



VDOT has opportunities statewide. We are currently seeking outstanding candidates for the following position:

### Geotechnical Engineer Fairfax, VA

For more details on this position and other opportunities go to [www.vdot.jobs](http://www.vdot.jobs)

*We keep Virginia Moving*  
VDOT is an equal opportunity employer



### GOODWIN HOUSE Home Care

#### PRN Home Care CNA

Goodwin House Incorporated is seeking experienced CNAs for our Home Care Department to work on an on-call/as needed basis (PRN).

#### Qualifications include:

1. Must hold current Virginia CNA license
2. Must have at least two years home care agency experience
3. Must be willing to work short shifts (2 hours) and on an on-call basis
4. Must be able to communicate effectively with residents and staff

Please visit our website to apply online at  
[www.goodwinhouse.org](http://www.goodwinhouse.org)

EOE

### COMMUNITY SVCS COORDINATOR, FT

Primary duties include events, scheduling facility rentals & managing pool memberships. Excellent cust svc & communication skills, strong computer w/graphic design exp. College degree and/or equivalent work experience preferred. Pay negotiable; flex work environment w/great benefits. Background check, valid driver's license and good driving record required. Resume w/cover ltr Attn: Jeannie Winslow, 6060 Burke Centre Pkwy., Burke, VA 22015.

Fax: (703) 978-1073

e-mail [jeannie@burkecentre.org](mailto:jeannie@burkecentre.org)

### ACCTS RECEIVABLE ASSISTANT

FT, wanted to post payments & manual checks rec'd from lockbox; reconcile balances; assist w/bank reconciliations; post misc. cash transactions. Requires excellent cust svc & communication skills, MS Office & Acct software, 2 years A/R experience. Prefer Associates deg. in Acct or related field. Salary negotiable, great benefits. Resume w/cover letter to: Karen Frank, 6060 Burke Centre Pkwy., Burke, VA 22015.

Fax: (703) 978-1073,

e-mail: [finance@burkecentre.org](mailto:finance@burkecentre.org).  
Background check also required.

### LEAD TELLER

#### Needed for Springfield Area

Union First Market Bank is seeking a Lead Teller for its Burke Branch. Positions require good communication skills, an ability to excel in a retail sales environment, dependability, flexibility and experience with customer service and cash handling. Prior bank teller experience and supervisor experience preferred.

Qualified candidates should submit an application on-line at [www.bankatunion.com](http://www.bankatunion.com), choose the "Careers" link.

We offer an excellent compensation and benefits package. All applicants must pass a consumer credit check.  
EOE

### Educational Internships

Unusual opportunity to learn many aspects of the newspaper business. Internships available in reporting, photography, research, graphics. Opportunities for students, and for adults considering change of career. Unpaid. E-mail [internship@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:internship@connectionnewspapers.com)

THE CONNECTION  
NEWSPAPERS

**CLEANING** **CLEANING**

**A CLEANING SERVICE**  
Since 1985/Ins & Bonded

Quality Service at a Fair Price  
Satisfaction Guaranteed  
Comm/Res. MD VA DC

[aclearningserviceinc.com](http://aclearningserviceinc.com)  
703-892-8648

**ELECTRICAL** **ELECTRICAL**

**K & D ELECTRIC**  
COMMERCIAL / RESIDENTIAL SERVICE  
Family Owned & Operated

Recessed Lighting Ceiling Fans Phone/CATV Computer Network Cabeling Service Upgrades Hot Tubs, etc...

Licensed/Bonded/Insured  
Office 703-335-0654  
Mobile 703-499-0522

**GUTTER** **GUTTER**

**MR. GUTTER**  
GUTTER CLEANING & REPAIRS

Townhouses \$65  
Houses \$125  
Ext. Painting • Power-Washing

LIC 703-323-4671 INS

**PINNACLE SERVICES, INC.**  
**LAWN SERVICE**

MOWING, TRIMMING, EDGING, MULCHING & TRIM HEDGES

Group Rates Avail.!

703-802-0483

**HANDYMAN** **HANDYMAN**

**RCL HOME REPAIRS**  
Handyman Services

Springfld • Burke • Kingstowne  
Light Electrical • Plumbing • Bathroom Renovation • Ceramic Tile • Drywall Repair

703-922-4190  
LIC. www.rclhomerepairs.com INS.

**HANDYMAN** **HANDYMAN**

**SPRINGFIELD HANDYMAN**

► Small Home Repairs  
► Good Rates  
► Experienced

703-971-2164

**HOME IMPROVEMENT**  
Repairs & Remodeling:  
Plumbing, Electrical, & Painting!

703-455-3858  
www.ZenouZHomeImprovement.com  
No Job too Small

**IMPROVEMENTS** **IMPROVEMENTS**

**R&N Carpentry**

◆BASEMENTS ◆BATHS ◆KITCHENS  
Foreclosure specialist/Power washing  
◆Exterior Wood Rot, Roofing & Siding  
Deck & Fence repair, Screen Porches

No jobs too large or small  
Free est. 37 yrs exp. Licensed, Insured  
703-987-5096

**M. C. Lynch**  
Home Improvement  
Family Owned & Operated

Rotten Wood, Wind Damage, Trims, Windows, Doors, Deck, Stairs, Vanity, Basement Framing, Garbage Disposal, Painting, Power Wash, Siding Repairs.

Licensed, Bonded, Insured  
703-266-1233

**R.N. CONTRACTORS, INC.**

Remodeling Homes, Flooring, Kitchen & Bath, Windows, Siding, Roofing, Additions & Patios, Custom Deck, Painting

We Accept All Major Credit Cards  
Licensed, Insured, Bonded • Free Estimates • Class A Lic  
Phone: 703-887-3827 Fax: 703-830-3849  
E-mail: rncontractorsinc@gmail

**The HANDYMAN**  
A DIVISION OF NURSE CONSTRUCTION

BATHROOM REMODELING, DRYWALL, PAINTING, CERAMIC TILE, CARPENTRY, POWER WASHING & MUCH MORE

You have tried the rest - NOW CALL THE BEST!!  
Proudly serving Northern VA - 46 yrs. exp.

Licensed Insured We Accept VISA/MC  
703-441-8811

**LANDSCAPING** **LANDSCAPING**

**J. REYNOLDS** 703.919.4456  
Landscaping LLC Free Estimates  
www.ReynoldsLandscapingOnline.com Licensed / Insured

**INSTALLATION SPECIALIST** **WET BASEMENT / WET YARD**

Paver & Flagstone Patios / Walkways Retaining Walls Stacked Field Stone Plants / Trees / Shrubs

Water Proofing Foundations Standing Yard Water French Drains / Swales Downspout Extensions Dry River Beds

•No sub-contractors, or day labors. •15 Years Designing and Installing  
•The Owner is physically on your job site. •On time and Professional.

**MASONRY** **MASONRY**

**BRICK AND STONE**  
Custom Masonry  
703-768-3900  
www.custommasonry.info

Patios, Walkways, Stoops, Steps, Driveways  
Repairs & New Installs • All Work Guranteed

**Potomac Masonry**  
703-842-7884

New Installations & Repairs  
Stone - Flagstone - Brick - Concrete  
FREE ESTIMATES!!  
Lic. & Ins  
www.pmasonry.com

**GUTTER**

**PINNACLE SERVICES**  
•GUTTER CLEANING  
•SMALL REPAIRS  
•SCREENING  
•POWER WASHING

703-802-0483  
GROUP RATES AVAILABLE  
FREE EST.

**M&O REPAIR**

Gutter Resetting  
Ice Damage Repair  
Gutter Guards

703-843-4792

**HAULING**

**ANGEL'S TRASH REMOVAL**  
•Junk & Rubbish •Furn., Yard, Construction Debris •Tree Leaf & Snow Removal

703-863-1086  
703-582-3709

**AL'S HAULING**  
Junk & Rubbish  
Concrete, furn., office, yard, construction debris

Low Rates NOVA  
703-360-4364  
703-304-4798 cell

7 DAYS A WEEK

**LANDSCAPING**

**ANGEL'S LAWN MOWING**  
•Trimming •Leaf & Snow Removal •Yard Cleaning •Hauling •Tree Work

703-863-1086  
703-582-3709

**PAINTING**

**PATRIOT PAINTING**  
www.PatriotPainting.net

Wallpaper Removal, Carpentry, Power Washing, Int/Ext Painting

Free Est. • Satisfaction Guar.!

Lic./Ins. Int./Ext.  
703-502-7840  
Cell 571-283-4883

**ROOFING**

**Roofing & Siding**  
(All Types)  
Soffit & Fascia Wrapping  
New Gutters  
Chimney Crowns  
Leaks Repaired  
No job too small  
703-975-2375

**TREE SERVICE**

**ANGEL'S TREE REMOVAL**  
Brush & Yard Debris  
•Leaf & Snow Removal  
•Gutters & Hauling

Angeltreeslandscaping-hauling.com  
703-863-1086  
703-582-3709

**THE CONNECTION NEWSPAPERS**

**CLASSIFIED**

For Local...  
•Employment  
•Employees  
•Services  
•Entertainment  
•Announcements  
•Real Estate  
•Cars  
•Trucks  
•Vans  
•RV's  
•Boats  
•Pets  
•Yard Sales  
•Crafts  
•Hobbies  
•And More!

For All  
Your  
Advertising  
Needs...  
It Works.  
Week  
After Week.

703  
917-6400

Place  
Your  
Ad  
Today!

**THE CONNECTION**  
to your community

**21 Announcements**

**ABC LICENSE**  
Michael Rocco Juliano and Patricia Smith Juliano trading as Rocco's Italian Restaurant, 1357 Chain Bridge Road, McLean, VA. 22101. The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL for a catering and mixed beverage license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages. Michael Juliano, Owner

**21 Announcements**

**ABC LICENSE**  
SL & HJ, LLC trading as Hunan Deli, 7200-V Telegraph Square Drive, Lorton, VA 22079. The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL for a Beer & Wine on and off premises license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages. Hyun-Jung Yi, Vice President

**26 Antiques**

We pay top \$ for antique furniture and mid-century Danish/modern teak furniture, STERLING, MEN'S WATCHES, jewelry and costume jewelry, paintings/art glass/clocks. Schefer Antiques @ 703-241-0790. Email:theschefer@cox.net

**ABC LICENSE**  
Tess, LLC trading as Tess, LLC, 7203 Little River Turnpike, Annandale, VA 22003. The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL for a wine and beer on premises, mixed beverages on premises license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages. Thomas Chay, member

**25 Sales & Auctions**

**116 Childcare Avail.**  
BURKE Childcare avail in my home, OFC Lic, FT & PT, days, evenings, Back-up care & special needs children welcome. Large yard for lots of fun! 703-569-8056

**25 Sales & Auctions**

**Need an Estate Sale?**  
Get the highest price for your estate and everything sold in 1 day.  
CALL "THE ESTATE SPECIALIST"

Bolton Auctioneers  
Frank E/Donna Bolton  
Licensed/Bonded  
703-494-5062  
Sell the best way.....the auction way!  
www.boltonauctioneers.com

**21 Announcements** **21 Announcements**

**Public Notice**

Availability of Environmental Assessment (EA) and Draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FNSI) for Implementation of the Privatization of Army Lodging Program at Fort Belvoir, Virginia

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Mobile District, has prepared an EA that considers the proposed implementation of the Privatization of Army Lodging (PAL) program at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. Implementation of the proposed action to transfer ownership and operation of Fort Belvoir's lodging facilities and to lease the land underlying the existing facilities, as well as other previously developed land where new lodging facilities will be constructed, to a private-sector development company is not expected to result in significant adverse environmental impacts. Therefore, in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, preparation of an environmental impact statement is not required. Copies of the EA and draft FNSI are available for review and comment at the Fort Belvoir Van Noy Library and the following Fairfax County, Virginia libraries: City of Fairfax Regional Branch, John Marshall Branch, Kingstowne Branch, Lorton Branch, and Sherwood Regional Branch, and have been posted on the Fort Belvoir website: <http://www.belvoir.army.mil>. Comments on the EA and draft FNSI should be submitted to: Mr. Patrick McLaughlin, Chief of Environmental and Natural Resources Division, Directorate of Public Work, 9430 Jackson Loop Suite 200, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060-5116 (or by e-mail to [environmental-fb-dpw@conus.army.mil](mailto:environmental-fb-dpw@conus.army.mil)). Comments must be received no later than 30 days after publication of this Notice of Availability. Subject to review and consideration of comments submitted by individuals, organizations, or agencies during the comment period, the Army intends to issue the final FNSI at the conclusion of the comment period and to proceed with the proposed action.

**21 Announcements** **21 Announcements**

**Public Notice**

Availability of Environmental Assessment (EA) and Draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FNSI) for Implementation of the Privatization of Army Lodging Program at Fort Belvoir, Virginia

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Mobile District, has prepared an EA that considers the proposed implementation of the Privatization of Army Lodging (PAL) program at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. Implementation of the proposed action to transfer ownership and operation of Fort Belvoir's lodging facilities and to lease the land underlying the existing facilities, as well as other previously developed land where new lodging facilities will be constructed, to a private-sector development company is not expected to result in significant adverse environmental impacts. Therefore, in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, preparation of an environmental impact statement is not required. Copies of the EA and draft FNSI are available for review and comment at the Fort Belvoir Van Noy Library and the following Fairfax County, Virginia libraries: City of Fairfax Regional Branch, John Marshall Branch, Kingstowne Branch, Lorton Branch, and Sherwood Regional Branch, and have been posted on the Fort Belvoir website: <http://www.belvoir.army.mil>. Comments on the EA and draft FNSI should be submitted to: Mr. Patrick McLaughlin, Chief of Environmental and Natural Resources Division, Directorate of Public Work, 9430 Jackson Loop Suite 200, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060-5116 (or by e-mail to [environmental-fb-dpw@conus.army.mil](mailto:environmental-fb-dpw@conus.army.mil)). Comments must be received no later than 30 days after publication of this Notice of Availability. Subject to review and consideration of comments submitted by individuals, organizations, or agencies during the comment period, the Army intends to issue the final FNSI at the conclusion of the comment period and to proceed with the proposed action.

**THE CONNECTION NEWSPAPERS** **CLASSIFIED**

Classified or Home • Lawn • Garden:  
703-917-6400

Employment: 703-917-6464

E-mail: [classified@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:classified@connectionnewspapers.com)

**THE CONNECTION NEWSPAPERS** **CLASSIFIED**

Classified or Home • Lawn • Garden:  
703-917-6400

Employment: 703-917-6464

E-mail: [classified@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:classified@connectionnewspapers.com)

Jack Taylor's  
ALEXANDRIA  
TOYOTA

**#1** FOR A REASON\*  
\*TOYOTA IS THE #1 CHOICE AMONG CONSUMERS BASED ON TOYOTA RETAIL BRAND SALES CY2010

RECEIVE **0% APR** ON **10** MODELS<sup>3</sup>

NEW 2010  
COROLLA **\$99**  
PER MONTH<sup>2</sup>



NEW 2011  
CAMRY **\$129**  
PER MONTH<sup>2</sup>



**ToyotaCare**

Featuring a complimentary maintenance plan with roadside assistance.

Receive **2 years** of Toyota Care with the purchase of a new vehicle

OIL & FILTER CHANGE  
**\$5 OFF**  
REGULAR PRICE  
Up to 5 qts of oil. Synthetic additional. Excludes diesel. Must present coupon when order is written. Plus tax and any applicable shop supplies. Not valid with any other advertised offer. Expires 2/28/11

BUY **3** TIRES  
GET THE **4th** FOR **\$1**

**(877) 210-5399**  
CELEBRATING OVER  
**35 YEARS OF BUSINESS!**

RECEIVE  
UP TO AN ADDITIONAL  
**\$1500**  
OVER BLACK BOOK FAIR VALUE  
FOR YOUR TRADE-IN<sup>1</sup>

\*COVERS NORMAL FACTORY SCHEDULED SERVICE FOR 2 YEARS OR 25,000 MILES, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST. THE NEW TOYOTA VEHICLE CANNOT BE PART OF A RENTAL OR COMMERCIAL FLEET OR A LIVERY OR TAXI VEHICLE. SEE PARTICIPATING DEALER FOR COVERAGE DETAILS.  
<sup>1</sup>BASED ON BLACK BOOK FAIR TRADE VALUE MINUS CONDITION, MILEAGE, & RECONDITIONING. TOWARD THE PURCHASE OF A NEW TOYOTA VEHICLE. <sup>2</sup>36 MONTH LEASE, 12K MILES PER YEAR. \$1,999 DUE AT SIGNING, PLUS TAX, TAGS, \$379 PROCESSING FEE, \$0 SECURITY DEPOSIT & ACQUISITION FEE. OFFER ENDS 02/28/11. <sup>3</sup>FINANCE FOR 60 MONTHS. NEW '10 YARIS, COROLLA, MATRIX, VENZA, AND '11 CAMRY (GAS & HYBRID), AVALON, RAV4, HIGHLANDER (EXCLUDES HYBRIDS) AND TUNDRA. FINANCING ON APPROVED CREDIT. ADVERTISED PRICE EXCLUDES TAX, TAGS, REGISTRATION, TITLE, AND \$379 DEALER FEE. OFFER ENDS 2/28/11.

3750 JEFF DAVIS HIGHWAY ALEXANDRIA, VA

**WWW.ALEXANDRIATOYOTA.COM**



The Best New Cars Make The Best Used Cars

CHECK OUT OUR  
PRE-OWNED  
VEHICLES ONLINE!

The Toyota Certified Used Vehicles Advantage  
3 month / 3,000 mile Comprehensive Warranty  
7 year / 100,000 mile Limited Powertrain Warranty  
7 year / 100,000 mile Roadside Assistance Plan  
160 Point Quality Assurance Inspection  
CARFAX Vehicle History Report  
Certified customers are eligible for standard new car financing rates





# LONG & FOSTER® # 1 in Virginia



## Hermandorfer & Associates

Personal Service & Focus on Your Goals

**703-216-4949**

[www.Hermandorfer.com](http://www.Hermandorfer.com)

Carol Hermandorfer  
Top 1% of Agents Nationally



**Clifton \$724,900**

Enjoy gorgeous views from this 5 BR, 3.5 BA contemporary sited on 5 acres. Comfortable floor plan features a master suite on the main lvl, 2 wood burning fireplaces, hardwood flrs, new carpet & fresh paint. Plenty of windows, deck and patio area offer the best indoor/outdoor living.



**Clifton \$775,000**  
This is Clifton! Pottery Barn charm inside & out! Wonderfully welcoming wrap around porch, 3 Fin lvls w/ 4

BRs, 3.5 BAs. So many recent upgrades, including a gorgeous Sunroom addition which opens to brick patio perfect for entertaining. Top of line remodeled Kit & Master BA. Gleaming Hardwoods, so many extra special touches, this home sparkles!



## BETTY & BOB BARTHLE

**703-425-4466**  
OVER 35 YEARS EXPERIENCE  
e-mail: [betty@bettybarthle.com](mailto:betty@bettybarthle.com)  
website: [www.bettybarthle.com](http://www.bettybarthle.com)

## Ron & Susan Associates

Ron Kowalski & Susan Borrelli  
*Make the Right Move*  
**1-888-495-6207**  
[ronandsusanonline.com](http://ronandsusanonline.com)



**Vienna \$549,000**

4 bedrooms - 3 baths - remodeled kitchen & baths - hardwood flooring - lower level features rec rm/bath & bedroom - large deck - within 1 mile of Vienna Metro Station - move in condition!

Ron & Susan Associates is proud to sponsor the

4th Annual **MONOPOLY** Tournament



Top Prize



\$500

Saturday, February 26<sup>th</sup>

More info at [www.LortonMonopoly.com](http://www.LortonMonopoly.com)



## JUDY SEMLER

**703-503-1885**

[judys@longandfooster.com](mailto:judys@longandfooster.com)

[www.JudysHomeTeam.com](http://www.JudysHomeTeam.com)



**Arlington \$219,000**

This two bedroom two bathroom condo sits in the heart of Arlington. Close to schools, transportation to Washington and so much more. Call for details.



## BETSY RUTKOWSKI

**703-503-1478, 703-282-5818**

[Betsy.Rutkowski@LongandFoster.com](mailto:Betsy.Rutkowski@LongandFoster.com)  
[www.Realty4Design.com](http://www.Realty4Design.com)  
Real Service, Real Commitment, Real Results!

## SHEILA GREGORY

**703-503-1858**

[sheila.gregory@longandfooster.com](mailto:sheila.gregory@longandfooster.com)



**Fairfax - Impeccable Brick Colonial**

Gorgeous model like home located in Fairfax City. 3 fully finished levels, hardwoods, gourmet kitchen, 9ft + ceilings and loads of updates. Professional landscaping with irrigation system backing to woods. Call Betsy Rutkowski for more details (703) 503-1478

Ready to make your move?  
Call today for prompt,  
Professional Service!

**SHEILA GREGORY, Realtor**

**703-503-1858**

[sheila.gregory@longandfooster.com](mailto:sheila.gregory@longandfooster.com)



## DAVID & VIRGINIA

Associate Brokers

**703-690-1795**

[www.BillupsTeam.com](http://www.BillupsTeam.com)



**Fairfax Station/CROSSPOINTE \$699,990**

Updated kitchen with granite counters & SS appliances! 5BR, 3.5BA. Large library extension! New hardwood floors! Finished walkout basement to a premium wooded lot! Visit [8321ArgentCircle.com](http://8321ArgentCircle.com) for a virtual tour of this fine home.



**Lorton/ LAUREL HILL \$849,990**

Over 5,600 SF of refined living space! 5BR, 4.5BA. Soaring 2 story family room, sun room, library, huge finished basement! Exotic wood floors, granite & SS kitchen. Home backs to wooded parkland! Visit [8710BitterrootCourt.com](http://8710BitterrootCourt.com) to view the virtual tour!



## Buzz & Courtney Jordan

Your Local Father/Daughter Team!  
**703-503-1866 or 703-503-1835**  
[TheJordanTeam@longandfooster.com](mailto:TheJordanTeam@longandfooster.com)  
[www.TheJordanTeam.com](http://www.TheJordanTeam.com)

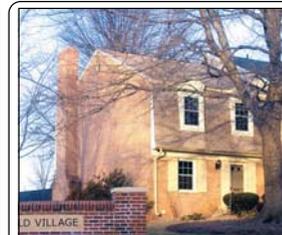
## STEVE CHILDRESS

"Experience...with Innovation!"  
Life Member NVAR Top Producers  
Buyer Broker since 1973!  
**703-981-3277**



**West Springfield \$719,900**  
Fabulous House  
3 finished levels\*5 bedrooms\*3.5 baths\* 2frpls\*total finished w/o basement\*Media room\*Hdws all main level\*2 car Gar\*Updated

kitchen\*close to VRE/Shopping/walk to schools\*Must see inside to appreciate the details\*fresh paint and more.  
Call Buzz 703-503-1866



**Springfield \$279,750 ALL BRICK!**  
RENOVATED 3 LEVEL END UNIT TH CLOSE TO SPRINGFIELD VRE COMMUTER RAIL STATION! 3 BR, 2.5 BA. Fireplace in Rec Rm. Patio overlooking private common

grounds. Many NEW Upgrades: Deluxe double-pane windows, insulated front door, vinyl clad aluminum trim, w/w carpet, paint, Fios, and MORE! CALL STEVE NOW FOR APPT. 703 981-3277



## NANCY BASHAM

Associate Broker  
Top 1% Nationwide  
NVAR Top Producer  
[nancy.basham@lnf.com](mailto:nancy.basham@lnf.com)  
**(703) 772-2066**



**Fairfax City \$249,000 OFFICE CONDO**  
Recently renovated corner condo with 5 offices, reception area, restroom, kitchenette and storage. Bright & sunny with lots of windows. Elevator, covered parking & on bus route. Great location near shopping and commuter routes.

Nancy Basham  
703-772-2066

## Save A Date To Attend Long & Foster's FREE Real Estate Career Seminar

DATES IN 2011: TIME:  
7:00-9:00 PM

March 2 LOCATION:  
March 30 Long & Foster's Northern Virginia Training Center  
May 4 3069 Nutley St. Fairfax, VA 22031

From the Beltway (495), take Rte. 66 West to the Nutley St. South Exit (exit 62) towards Fairfax. Go through the intersection of Lee Highway and Nutley Street. The training center is located in the Pan Am Shopping Center on the left.

TO REGISTER:  
Please contact Mary Ann Plonka at 703-503-1898 or [maryann.plonka@longandfooster.com](mailto:maryann.plonka@longandfooster.com)



## Barbara Nowak & Gerry Staudte

"My Virginia Home Team"  
**703-473-1803, 703-309-8948**  
[gerry.staudte@longandfooster.com](mailto:gerry.staudte@longandfooster.com)  
[www.MyVirginiaHomeTeam.com](http://www.MyVirginiaHomeTeam.com)

## Catie, Steve & Associates

Direct: **703-278-9313**  
Cell: **703-362-2591**  
NVAR Top Producers  
Multi-Million Dollar Sales Club



**Burke \$1650**

**Short Term Rental**  
Fully furnished short term rental (3 to 12 months). 3 BR, 2 BA, 1st Fl Condo. New carpet and flooring. Updated Kit and Baths. In-unit washer and dryer.  
Call Barbara Nowak 703-473-2803



**Fairfax Middlebridge \$565,000 WOW!**

Exquisite colonial on a magnificent lot! Payne (colonial) model with 4 large bedrooms, 3.5 updated baths, beautiful and updated kitchen, hardwood floors, finished lower level, one car garage... all overlooking a flat and beautiful backyard! Call Catie, Steve & Associates to learn more ... this one won't last! 703-278-9313

**703-425-8000**