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Carlos, 9, and his father Steve Garcia try a ride at the carnival, part of the Reston Oktoberfest at Reston Town Center.

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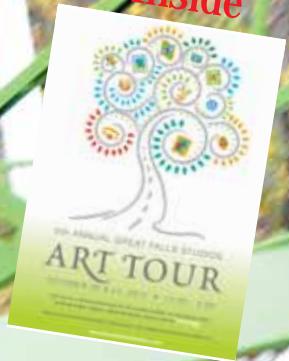
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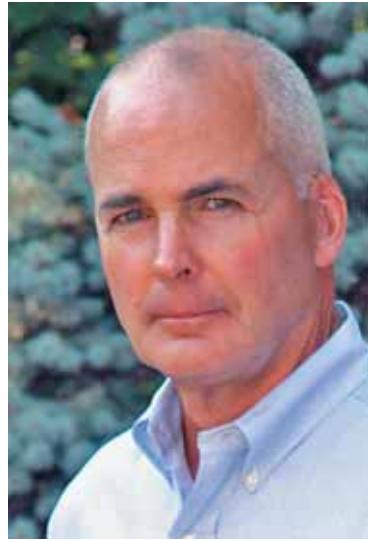
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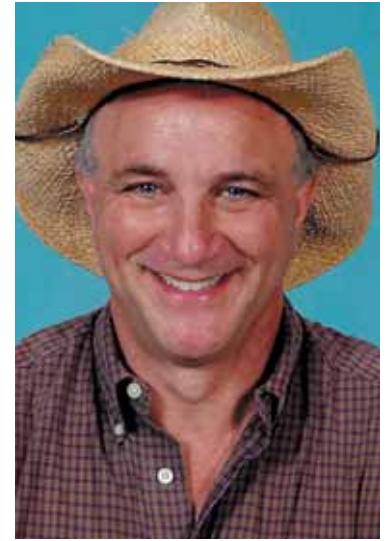
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 U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly is currently serving his second term in Congress. Prior to his election to Congress, he served 14 years on the Fairfax County

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Perkins, Four Independents Challenge Connolly

About 11th District

This will be the first election using new district maps based on 2010 Census data. Virginia's 11th congressional district includes the City of Fairfax, most of Fairfax County, and the eastern portion of Prince William County. The Towns of Clifton, Haymarket, Occoquan, and Vienna are also located in the 11th District. U.S. Rep. Gerald Connolly (D), who was first elected to the U.S. House in 2008, represents more than 650,000 residents.

Political strategists note that Connolly inadvertently benefitted from the 2012 redistricting plan by Republicans to fortify several GOP incumbent districts. Connolly's 11th district lost portions of its Republican base to neighboring Frank Wolf's 10th district, resulting in a more Democratic district for Connolly. According to 2010 census data, Virginia's 11th district is one of the wealthiest congressional districts in the nation, with couples earning an average median annual income of more than \$90,000. On election day, Connolly will face Republican challenger Chris Perkins, and four Independent candidates: Mark Gibson, Joe Galdo, Chris DeCarlo and Peter Marchetti.

—Victoria Ross

Q&A With Candidates

Editor's Note: The Connection asked each candidate to answer the following questions, and limit their answers to 100 words or less, along with an optional "bonus" question. Peter M. Marchetti, an Independent Green Party candidate, did not submit answers to The Connection's questions. All campaign finance data was provided by the Virginia Public Access Project, and current through June 30, 2012.

Q: Virginia's 11th district is the wealthiest in the country in terms of median income. Its proximity to Washington, D.C. means a

large number of federal employees and government contractors. How would you address the looming defense cuts? Are you willing to raise taxes to resolve the deficit?

Connolly: The massive defense and domestic spending cuts that will occur if Congress is unable to pass a balanced deficit reduction plan is a real threat to our region. Protecting and growing Northern Virginia's economy has always been my top priority and that's why I have called for Congress to

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Map of Virginia's redrawn 11th Congressional District

"The massive defense and domestic spending cuts that will occur if Congress is unable to pass a balanced deficit reduction plan is a real threat to our region."

— Gerald E. Connolly (D-Incumbent)

"Additional revenue will come by growing the economy and expanding the base, not by raising taxes."

— Christopher S. Perkins (R)

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News



Photo by Dana Culver

Bob Simon poses with Sarah Culver, age 7, and his statue on Saturday, Sept. 22 at the Reston Multicultural Festival. Culver holds two art projects she did at the festival.

Buzz Aldrin Second Grader Meets Reston Founder

Dana Culver, mother of Sarah Culver, age 7, who conversed with Reston founder Bob Simon on Saturday, Sept. 22 at the Reston Multicultural Festival, said of Simon, "He was very kind and interested in her work...She is in second grade at Buzz Ald-

rin. She was so excited to meet the man who founded Reston and wouldn't stop talking about him!"

—Chelsea Bryan



Miranda Cosgrove,
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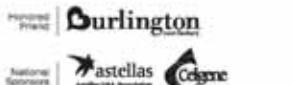
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News

As part of the inaugural Green Apple Day of Service hosted by the Center for Green Schools, first-grade teacher Emily Stube organized a project Friday, Oct. 5 at Sunrise Valley Elementary School.

Photo contributed



Where We Learn Matters

Area teachers, parents, students and advocates come together to support better schools.

It doesn't take long for children to embrace the values of conservation and the importance of protecting our natural resources. Just about any parent will tell you, it's their children who diligently remind them not to forget to recycle their family's paper, plastic, glass and other materials.

As part of the inaugural Green Apple Day of Service hosted by the Center for Green Schools, first-grade teacher Emily Stube organized a project last Friday at Sunrise Valley Elementary School (SVES). The project was designed to engage Stube's students and help them better understand our planet's limited resources and the importance of recycling. Af-

ter the lesson, students decorated bubble letters with various recycling materials to spell out an important affirmation and a challenge to others: "SVES First Graders Recycle, Do You?"

More than 1,300 schools held projects on Sept. 29 as part of the first Green Apple Day of Service. The projects attracted thousands of volunteers dedicated to improving where our students learn. The events coincided with the national launch of Green Apple, a movement to put all children in schools where they have clean and healthy air to breathe, where energy and resources are conserved, and where they can be inspired to dream of a brighter future.

Reston Lions Club Helps Residents of Lake Anne Fellowship House

The Reston Lions Club gave out Giant Food Gift Cards to victims of the derecho storms on Friday, Aug. 31. Residents of the Lake Anne Fellowship House were able to replenish food lost during a five day power outage.

The local service club received a \$2,000 grant from the Lions of Virginia Foundation, which funds emergency relief in the state. The club partially matched the grant so that they could provide \$15 Giant Cards to 240 residents to help restock spoiled food supplies.

Reston Lions Club President Sue Beffel and members Jim Ryan and Jack Gazlay assisted Fellowship House Administrator Louneta Beckles by handing out the cards.

After the gathered residents received their cards, resident Buzz Carter thanked the Lions on behalf of all the others, as many of them did not speak much English.



Lions Jack Gazlay and Sue Beffel, and Fellowship House Administrator Louneta Beckles provide Giant Cards to residents of Lake Anne Fellowship House to help replenish food spoiled during the derecho.

The Reston Lions Club has over 30 members and meets on first and third Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at Mama Lucia's at the North Pointe Shopping Center. Lions Clubs are groups of men and women who

identify needs within their community and work together to fulfill those needs. For more information or to get involved with the Reston Lions Club, please visit our web site at www.restonlions.org.

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To have community events listed in the Connection, send to reston@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Friday.

Imagine@TheChildrensScienceCenter.org.

MONDAY/OCT. 22

NARFE Dulles Chapter Meeting

11:30 a.m., Amphora Diner, 1151 Elden Street, Herndon. U.S. Rep. Frank Wolf (R) speaks; opposing U.S. Rep Gerald Connolly (D) speaks also. Reservations by Oct. 18. 703-435-3523.

SATURDAY/OCT. 27

Understanding and Asserting Your Rights to Marital Assets in a Divorce

10 a.m.-12:30 p.m., at Odin, Feldman & Pittleman, PC, 1775 Wiehle Avenue, Suite 400, Reston. Learn how Virginia courts divide assets and liabilities upon divorce, how to determine whether property is marital or separate and the factors the court must take into account in making its decisions. \$50, \$40 for Members. Register. 703-281-2657, ext. 276 or www.thewomenscenter.org.

SUNDAY/OCT. 28

Cat Adoption

1-4 p.m. PetSmart, 11860 Spectrum Center, Reston. Every Sunday. Sponsored by Lost Dog & Cat Rescue Foundation. www.lostdogrescue.org.

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Opinion

Cancer Awareness

Success with breast cancer awareness should help other cancers.

October is breast cancer awareness month. Anyone connected to media of any variety already knows this. A massive marketing success, we all know that pink shows support for breast cancer prevention, especially in October.

For me, last month marked three years since I completed chemotherapy and radiation for breast cancer. Because of early detection, advances in treatment (surgery, radiation, chemotherapy and ongoing hormonal treatment in my case), and ongoing monitoring, my prognosis, and the prognosis for most of the 2.5 million breast cancer survivors in the United States, is excellent.

Still in 2008, the last year reported by the CDC, 40,589 women died from breast cancer. The same year, 210,203 U.S. women were diagnosed with breast cancer. It is the most common cancer for U.S. women other than skin cancers.

Breast cancer awareness month is the perfect time to be sure that you and/or the women in your life are following best practices for breast cancer screening. While in recent years, there has been some confusion about breast cancer screening, if you have a family history of breast cancer, it is never too early to talk to your doctor about how to approach your preventative care. All women age 40 or over should talk with a doctor experienced in breast health about when to begin screening mammograms and how often to have them. When it comes to what is best for your breasts, self exam, knowing your own breasts and what feels normal, is a low-tech, low-cost measure.

In January 2009, I found a lump in my breast that I knew immediately was not normal. A

coworker's diagnosis of breast cancer had prompted me to have an overdue mammogram seven months before I found the lump, and that mammogram was perfectly normal. The mammogram after I found the lump showed the difference, a glowing spot that led the radiologist to say he would be "very concerned." The biopsy of the lump confirmed the concern.

Now three years later and cancer free, I can tell you that if I did not find that lump, if I waited two years for my next mammogram, my outcome would very likely have been different.

I share my experience in breast cancer awareness month, not because the experience defines me, but because I know how easy it is to put off a mammogram, how easy it is to miss months of self-checks, and because I know, early detection in breast cancer really can save lives.

THE SUCCESS of the breast cancer awareness movement has resulted in more than \$630 million annually in spending on research. It is not too much.

But at Connection Newspapers, we have two other employees who are in ongoing treatment for cancer. Kenny Lourie, who has stage 4 lung cancer, writes a weekly column that appears in most of our papers that discusses his more than three-year journey with candor and humor. Jean Card was diagnosed with Acute Promyelocytic Leukemia in early 2011 and has also written about her experience as she raises money for leukemia research and outreach. Visit www.LighttheNight.org and search APL Dumpling Gang.

Lung cancer kills more people in the United States every year than any other kind of can-

cer, in fact more than the other top cancers combined. In 2008, more than 208,000 people were diagnosed with lung cancer and more than 158,500 died of lung cancer. This is more than the deaths from breast, prostate and colon cancer combined. Spending on lung cancer research? Less than half spent on breast cancer, about \$280 million annually. As Lourie wryly points out, part of the problem may be that you can't turn out tens of thousands of lung cancer survivors for a march because, well, there are very few survivors over time.

Prostate cancer has more new cases per year and about the same death rate as breast cancer, but half the funding.

In 2012, there were an estimated 47,150 new cases of leukemia with 23,540 deaths, more than half the number of annual breast cancer deaths. But funding for leukemia research lags behind.

Nothing should be taken away from the efforts of breast health advocates. But clearly more effort is needed in other areas.

SPEAKING OF HEALTH RISKS, on average more than 20,000 people a year in the United States die from the flu. The numbers vary from year to year, with as many as 50,000 deaths in some years, and some studies showing the average number of deaths to be more than 35,000. The influenza vaccine is a cheap and effective method of preventing or reducing the impact of the flu.

Remember that no matter what health plan you have, there is just one person in charge of your health care: you.

— Mary Kimm,
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Commentary

By Kenneth R.
"Ken" Plum
State Delegate (D-36)



Congress needs to act on the Development, Relief and Education for Alien Minors Act, or the DREAM Act, as soon as it reconvenes after the elections. The act which was first introduced in 2001 would provide a path to citizenship for people brought to this country at a very young age.

The proposed legislation has had broad bipartisan support including that of President George W. Bush. In 2010 the bill passed the House of Representatives and came within five votes of passing the Senate. Most of the arguments supporting the legislation in the past have been from legal, moral

and ethical perspectives. The Center for American Progress and the Partnership for a New American Economy released a study last week that makes the case for passage of the act from an economic basis.

The new study, "The Economic Benefits of Passing the DREAM Act," makes the case that the DREAM Act would help the American economy to the tune of a total of \$329 billion by 2030. The results to the economy would come from granting legal immigration status to 2.1 million young people and incentivizing higher education and broadening job opportunities for them. The spending ripples through the economy would create 1.4 million new jobs.

President Obama through an executive order in June took some action to defer deportation for undocumented youth and to authorize work. This was a critical interim step, but it does not provide a path to citizenship as the DREAM Act does. Under the proposed Act, a person would be eligible for citizenship if they came to the United States at age 15 or younger, are currently age 35 or younger, have been present in this country for at least five years, have completed high school, and have completed at least two years of higher education or honorably served in the armed forces for at least two years. After receiving conditional legal status to complete these requirements, these persons could apply for a green card signifying permanent legal status and eventually citizenship.

The persons that would be impacted by the act have been brought to this country while they were young. They have been attending public schools where many have excelled. A path to citizenship should not be denied them. But for those who are influenced by dollar and cents arguments, the new study results are most persuasive. The direct impact on the economy for 2010 to 2030 with passage of the DREAM Act would be \$148 billion; the induced impact would be \$181 billion for a total impact of \$329 billion. Additional state and federal income taxes of \$5.6 billion and federal business tax revenue of \$4.6 billion would be collected.

Encourage your congressman to vote for the DREAM Act. For more information on the study go to www.americanprogress.org.

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President Barack Obama spoke before a raucous crowd of George Mason University students, teachers and volunteers Friday afternoon, Oct. 5.

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Women's Health, Jobs and Big Bird Top Talking Points at GMU Rally

During campaign stump speech at GMU, Obama rallies the women's vote.

By Victoria Ross
The Connection

For President Barack Obama, 7.8 was the magic number that gave him and his supporters a reason to be hopeful again.

After a week that included a bruising debate with GOP challenger Mitt Romney and around-the-clock punditry detailing how Romney "cleaned Obama's clock" during Wednesday's debate, the president got a useful October surprise.

And he bragged about it Friday as he swooped onto the stage at George Mason University in Fairfax to deliver the good news that the jobless rate had fallen to 7.8 percent, dropping below the critical 8 percent for the first time since he took office. During a raucous campaign rally at the university, Obama boasted about the jobs report, mocked Romney's "Big Bird" comments and criticized his opponent's political pivots during their debate on Wednesday in Denver.

"My opponent has been trying to do a two-step and reposition, and got an extreme makeover,"

Obama said, drawing cheers and laughter from the crowd of 300-plus students and teachers.

Obama reminded the crowd that when Romney was asked specifics about cutting spending and reducing the deficit, he went after public television.

"So for all you moms and kids out there, don't worry, someone is finally getting tough on Big Bird. Rounding him up. Elmo has got to watch out, too," Obama said, clearly enjoying the college crowd's cheers and shouts of "we love you" as dozens of people in the audience jumped up to wave their Big Bird stickers.

While Big Bird got the laugh lines, it was women's health issues that resonated with crowd of mostly female supporters—from high-school age students to female professors.

STANDING IN FRONT of a backdrop of more than 50 women waving "Forward" signs, Obama tore into Romney on women's health issues and outlined the "stark choice the women of Virginia are facing in this election," warning that Romney's policies would turn back the clock for women to the 1950s, when abortion was illegal, and breast cancer was something women had to be ashamed of.

He said his new healthcare laws have secured ac

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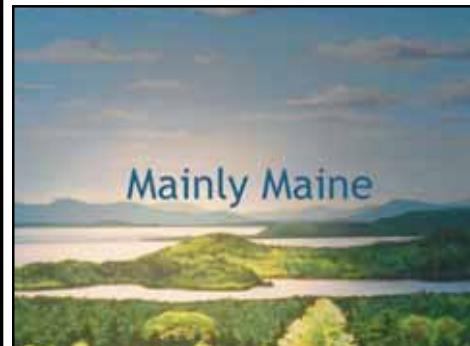
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cancel its recess and come back to Washington to solve this crisis. We need a bi-partisan plan that includes both revenue and spending cuts to balance our budget and avoid reckless cuts that would harm our local economy.

Perkins: The 11th District will be second only to Virginia's eastern shore in terms of the hardest hit region in America by the combined trillion dollars of defense cuts that Mr. Connolly voted in favor of. With a half trillion dollars of these defense cuts already moving forward, the additional \$492 billion that is part of 'sequestration' must be replaced with a more balanced plan that targets non-security related government programs. The worst thing we can do is raise taxes in a depressed economy. Additional revenue will come by growing the economy and expanding the base, not by raising taxes.

Galdo: A combination of tax reform and moderate cuts to the defense budget and other discretionary programs is the pragmatic approach that will provide for a strong defense, minimize the impact on the economy, preserve low tax rates for most Americans, and protect programs for the working poor, the disabled, and retirees. The key is moving to a simple, fair, and responsible tax code that expands the tax base rather than raising rates on middle-income families. My plan, detailed on my website, is estimated to yield a budget surplus of \$55 billion and enables us to start paying down the debt.

Gibson: The severe defense cuts of sequestration associated with the Budget Control Act of 2011 must not occur; these cuts are disruptive and damaging. Instead, I support measured steps to reduce Defense expenditures by paring antiquated programs, modernizing employee benefits, reducing facilities and infrastructure, and eliminating duplicative overhead. As a community we need to diversify our economy with greater focus on information technology, medical technology, and academia. I favor a complete overhaul of the tax code to collect taxes in an equitable manner; broadening the tax base will result in some taxpayers paying more.

Q: "In Nothing We Trust?" Many polls indicate that voters have a "trust deficit" in our government leaders. How would you go about restoring citizen's trust in our government?

Connolly: One of the great things about representing Virginia's 11th district is that I get to be in my district every morning,

every night, and every weekend. In the morning, I face the same challenging commute that many of my constituents deal with. In the evening and on weekends, I'm able to meet with them at civic associations, community events, and even the grocery store. I think that personal contact keeps me in close touch and gives everyone an opportunity to ask me where I stand and hold me accountable. I like that about my job and believe it helps to restore some of that trust in government.

Perkins: I won't lie to them. That includes the much practiced art of telling half-truths, which I was raised to believe is the same as telling a half-lie. I also pledge 100 percent transparency in governance. You will be able to tell how I voted and, as importantly, why I voted a particular way, simply by going to my website. Finally, as someone who has helped bring warring factions together to find peace, I will work with members of both political parties to find common ground on the issues. You can compromise on legislation without compromising your principles or your values.

Galdo: I would strive to be an example of responsible and open government: demonstrating integrity and independence from special interests and party influence in working for the best interests of Northern Virginia and the nation; establishing more meaningful and frequent communications with voters; and taking a leadership role in achieving the goals promised to voters.

I support a six-term limit for the House of Representatives, "no budget, no pay" legislation, stronger ethics reform, and campaign finance reform. I would like to see a sharing of power through proportional distribution of committee and subcommittee chairs instead of majority party take all.

Gibson: As an independent candidate and Congressman, voters will know that I have no interests other than maintaining their trust and providing effective representation. I am not part of a political party or movement with its own agenda; I have not signed any pledges to constrain positive action; and I have not accepted money from anyone other than voters of the 11th District.

Q: What do you see as the top 3 social issues of our times, and what is the role of government in addressing these issues?

Connolly: Clearly there is an effort, led by politicians in Virginia like (Attorney General) Ken Cuccinelli, to impose an extreme social agenda that would harm women's health. They want to restrict a woman's right to choose, allow insurance companies to deny coverage for birth control, and even

Bonus Question: Tell us something about yourself that most people don't know

Connolly: One of the proudest moments of my career was my vote to pass the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act. It was one of the very first votes I cast, and as the father of a daughter in college, it was particularly gratifying to know that she will begin her career in a nation that finally recognizes that she—and all women—deserve equal pay for equal work. Being able to give my daughter a framed copy of that bill was an incredible feeling.

Perkins: After college, I worked for four years as an offshore commercial fish-

erman and subsequently enlisted in the Army after listening to President Reagan's inaugural address.

Galdo: I sang in the chorus that accompanied Leonard Slatkin and the National Symphony Orchestra's performance of Mahler's 8th Symphony, "Symphony of a Thousand," at the Kennedy Center in 2006.

Gibson: I served as an officer with Ocean City, Md., Police Department for the summer of 1984 between my first and second years of graduate school.

DeCarlo Answers With Lyrics

Chris DeCarlo offered the lyrics from his YouTube music, rap video "Fight for Our Lives" as response to the Connection's questions.

Q: How would you address the looming defense cuts? Are you willing to raise taxes to resolve the deficit?

I'm the fighter that's not on the take,
Swinging for the laws we got to make.
But corruption's the Champ in this town,
I'm ready to fight; I'm ready to get down.
Put me in a match, I can make him bleed,
A quick left and a right, he's on his knees.
He buys everyone, he's all about the Bengi's,
I'm not doing this to meet all my friend's needs.
Character, ability, strength and the truth,
These virtues flow straight from my roots.
We work together to meet our demands,
I'm not afraid to get dirt on my hands.

Q: Many polls indicate that voters have a "trust deficit" in our government leaders. How would you go about restoring citizen's trust in our government?

They keep on giving us the same two choices,
Tell us what to think with the same tired voices.
How could this happen, we were never
consulted,
I sit in disbelief, I'm amazed and insulted.
Vote for me so we can finally begin,

To right all the wrongs and end all the spin.
For and by the people is the way it's gotta be,
So knuckle up cast your vote and get behind me.

Q: What do you see as the top 3 social issues of our times, and what is the role of government in addressing these issues?

This mission is important, we've got to succeed,
We've got to stop'em or we're gonna continue to
bleed.

The cash keeps coming motivatin' the lies,
We've got to cut the flow so that the truth can
survive.
Never working with each other cause they're just
so set,
They're blasting each other every chance that
they get.
They're spending all their time on the left and
on the right,
While we become the refugees of that fight.

Answer to Bonus Question: I am the first Congressional candidate to create his own music, rap, videos and the first Congressional candidate to rap about political corruption.

shut down organizations that provide women with critical health care services like breast cancer screenings. I will always stand up to ensure that women have access to affordable birth control and are not charged more by insurance companies just because they are women. Government should not interfere in women's private health care decisions.

Perkins: I receive more questions about abortion rights than any other social issue. I believe the government should never come between a woman, her doctor or her family, nor do I believe that taxpayer funds should be used for such a procedure. How we should educate our children comes in second, an issue I believe is best left to the individual states to drive competition and choice. Illegal immigration also generates a lot of interest. The federal government needs to secure our borders, but we must also determine a pathway to legal status for the 11 million who are already here.

Galdo: Corruption and greed, civil rights, and drug addiction top my list. Gov-

ernment policies that feed the growing disparity in the distribution of income and wealth, that have obliterated past progress in reducing poverty and that precipitated the great recession, must be reversed. Congress must halt erosion of basic rights, such as due process, privacy, and freedom of religion that has occurred in recent years, and find the correct balance between conflicting rights and freedoms, and between liberty and security. And, it is time to declare the war on drugs a failure and find a better solution.

Gibson: The paramount issues are personal liberty and accountability as well as economic freedom and responsibility. Our rights are nationwide, not statewide. Government's role is to enforce our rights and liberties, and ensure that individuals and business can compete on their strengths in a competitive free market. We also need to ensure that the less fortunate and underserved get the attention and encouragement they need to participate and contribute to the best of their abilities.

News

2013 Best of Reston Honoree Nominations Open

Ann Rodriguez and Wade Bolton shared a special passion and gift for mentoring and inspiring young people and future leaders. While their volunteerism took different paths, Ann and Wade inspired all who knew them with the joy and enthusiasm they brought to their volunteer work, and the lives of those they touched. The Best of Reston is pleased to inaugurate a new award given in their memory—The “Wade Bolton-Ann Rodriguez Young Leaders—En-trusting Our Community’s Future” Award.

The Best of Reston honors businesses, organizations and individuals who have put forth tremendous effort in their commitment to community service and improving the lives of others in the greater Reston area. The annual event is produced in partnership by the Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce and Reston Interfaith. Nominations for the 2013 awards are now being accepted in five award categories: Individual Community Member, Civic/Community Organization, Small Business Leader (two to

100 employees), Corporate Business Leader (101-plus employees) and the Wade Bolton-Ann Rodriguez Young Leaders—En-trusting Our Community’s Future Award.

Nominations may be submitted by individuals and organizations. The nomination forms and a list of previous award winners can be found online at www.restoninterfaith.org or www.restonchamber.org or printed copies are available at both organizations offices. Nominations close at 5 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 19, 2012.

Reston Interfaith and the Greater Reston Chamber of Commerce are honored to announce Robert E. Simon as the Chair of the 22nd Annual Best of Reston Awards for Community Service on April 11, 2013. Reston’s founder, Bob Simon inspired the principles—“Live, work, play and serve”—that celebrate the community’s values and this unique charity partnership.

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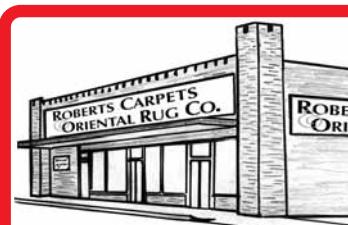
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Decorating for Halloween

Suggestions for getting one's home ready for Fright Night and beyond.

By Marilyn Campbell
The Connection

Whether one's preference is witches and ghosts or candles and pumpkins, there is no reason why fall décor should be limited to one month, say area tastemakers. A few local designers offer autumn embellishment ideas that span the spectrum from spooky to all-natural.

"Decorating for fall is one of the most enjoyable times of the year for many people. We particularly like it because nature provides so many wonderful options to use for decorating," said Ann O'Shields, owner of The Nest Egg in Fairfax. "If you are purchasing seasonal decorations for fall, we suggest choosing items that can go past Halloween and into Thanksgiving."

Add spine-chilling accents to traditional fall accessories. "One thing that you can do is hang faux cobwebs between orange pillar candles," said Angela Phelps, owner of Le Village Marché in Arlington. "Remove the webs after Halloween."

Use black and orange strategically. "We like putting white and orange pumpkins inside the fireplace," said O'Shields. "They are striking against a black in-



Photo by Marilyn Campbell

Pumpkins draped with cobwebs and spiders offer traditional Halloween décor that can be adjusted to last from October through Thanksgiving.

terior fireplace to fill the space until cooler fireplace weather arrives."

Be inspired by seasonal bounty. "The varieties of pumpkins and gourds available at local farmer's markets, nurseries and even grocery stores are the perfect start for seasonal décor," said O'Shields. "White pumpkins in particular are gorgeous and can make such a statement lined on a long table as a centerpiece. Mixed in with gourds of different colors and shapes, you have a simple, natural arrangement that is also eye catching. Wreaths with white pumpkins, branches, sunflowers and leaves welcome the season and extend into winter."

Make use of transparent containers like cylinder vases. "Fill glass containers with the miniature white and orange pumpkins or green or red apples and use them on a mantel or centerpiece," said O'Shields.

Marymount's Interior Design Department Receives 2012 Potomac Award

Program recognized for creative and intellectual contributions to the local community.

By Marilyn Campbell
The Connection

Marymount University's Interior Design faculty and students have been recognized for their creative and intellectual contributions to the local community. The Arlington school was recently awarded the 2012 Potomac Award from the Washington Metropolitan Chapter of the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID), making it the first university to receive the honor. Interior design classes are offered on the main campus or at the Reston Center.

"We have been blessed with intelligent, ambitious, dedicated students who have been willing to work hard and develop their understanding of the interior design field," said McLean resident Jean Freeman, an interior design professor at Marymount. "The awards that individual faculty have received and some of the articles and books they have published are...an indication of their efforts to extend the body of knowledge for the field and our students."



Photo Courtesy of Marymount University

McLean resident Jean Freeman of Marymount University's interior design department credits talented students and faculty with the program's success.

with which the [Interior Design] department at Marymount is keeping, you'll appreciate the prestige of the award."

Bridget May of Herndon, another professor of interior design at Marymount, believes that evidence-based design will become standard practice for future students. "A lot of research goes into optimal use of space for function," she said.

The award recognizes the university's interior design department for its contributions to the design industry, including its efforts in sustainable design, historic preservation and the lighting and design of commercial spaces. The National Trust for Historic Preservation and The National Portrait Gallery and the Smithsonian American Art Museum are among the past recipients of the award.

"It is a prestigious award," said Leslie Ehrmann, ASID Washington Metro Chapter administrator. "If you look at the company [of past awardees]

[Interior Design] department at Marymount is keeping, you'll appreciate the prestige of the award."

Emergency Preparedness Tips

Are your home and family ready for a hurricane?

By Josh Baker

With this summer's severe weather, and the hurricane season upon us, a few simple preventative steps, outlined below, may help you to avoid costly repairs once the storms have passed.

Avoid wind damage: Clear away yard debris and dead/dying branches.

Large branches or fallen trees can easily be tossed about by high winds during a storm. If you have trees near your home, be sure to trim any dead or dying branches, or ask your landscaper to do so at your next service visit.

The easiest way to avoid leaks: Make sure gutters are kept clean and in good shape.

Before the storms arrive, remove any leaves, pine needles, branches or other debris from the gutter system. Also, perform a visual check to be sure there are no damaged areas. Clogged, leaky, or broken gutters can fail to properly drain water from your house, which may cause flooding and property damage.

The second easiest way to avoid leaks: Make sure areaway and storm drains are clear.

If your basement has an areaway staircase, be sure to clear the drain at the bottom of leaves, dirt and other debris. Do the same for other storm drains located on or near your property. Failure to do so could lead to excess water backing up onto your property or into your home if the drains are clogged.

Save your electronics: Plug expensive household items into surge protectors, or unplug them entirely.

Stereos, televisions, fitness equipment and computers should be either unplugged before the storm begins, or plugged into surge protectors. This may help to prevent damage to these items if lightning strikes.

Be the envy of your neighbors: Learn how to safely operate your portable generator.

All generators are not the same, so be sure to read the manufacturer's instruction manual that came with your generator to ensure proper operation.

❖ Before the storm, test your generator by turning it on to be sure that it is working properly. Also, make sure that you have a sufficient fuel supply to keep the generator running once it is needed.

❖ Use the generator in a well-ventilated, outside area. Generators emit carbon monoxide, which can build up in an unventilated area and be hazardous to your family.

❖ Plug appliances into the generator using heavy-duty extension cords that are well-maintained and not frayed or worn. Using incorrect or damaged extension cords could pose a fire hazard.

❖ Turn the portable generator off and allow it to cool before refueling. Pouring fuel into a hot generator may cause an explosion or fire.

If you have a whole house generator make sure that it is well maintained with a service contract from a qualified vendor.

PREPARE YOUR POOL

A few simple steps will help prevent significant damage to your pool.

❖ Do not drain all of the water from the pool. An empty pool is subject to "floating" or "popping" out of the ground due to "lift pressure," which is caused by excessive ground water during heavy rains. Also, the water in your pool will act as a shield to protect the finish from damage.

Instead, only drain your pool water by one to two feet to allow for the accumulation of rainwater.

❖ Turn off the power to any pool equipment (pump, motor, lights) that may be on.

❖ Remove any loose pool items (filter housing tops, etc.). These can easily be taken away by strong winds.

❖ Add extra chlorine to the pool. This will help to prevent contamination from any debris and storm water that enters the pool.

❖ Move any unsecured items, such as patio furniture or potted plants, inside to keep them safe from driving rains or severe winds. Sinking furniture inside a pool is not recommended – the chlorine in the pool water may stain or rust expensive items, and this may also damage the bottom of the pool.

Josh Baker is founder of BOWA, www.bowa.com.

School Notes

The following students were named semifinalists in the 2013 National Achievement® Scholarship Program: **Kenyah T. Calhoun** and **Kyannah C. Calhoun** from South Lakes High School.

The following students were named semifinalists in the 2013 National Merit Scholarship Program: **Margaret M. Schaaf** and **Isaac W. Yampolsky** from Herndon High School; **Kelsey L. Erickson, Dara Kharabi, Adrienne Nims** and **Scott H. Reid** from South Lakes High School.

Stacey L. Zhou of Reston has been named as a 2012 National Merit \$2500 Scholarship winner. The Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology student's probable career field will be economics.

Danielle Neuberger of Herndon has been named to the fall 2011 dean's list at Rochester Institute of Technology's B. Thomas Golisano College of Computer and Information Sciences.

Air Force Airman **Andrew L. Wong** graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas, after training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills. Wong earned distinction as an honor graduate. He is the son of Jean Wong of Briargrove Court, Oak Hill, and a 2008 graduate of Oakton High School.

Abigail Marchesseault of Herndon is listed on the fall 2011 honor roll with distinction at Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Tx.

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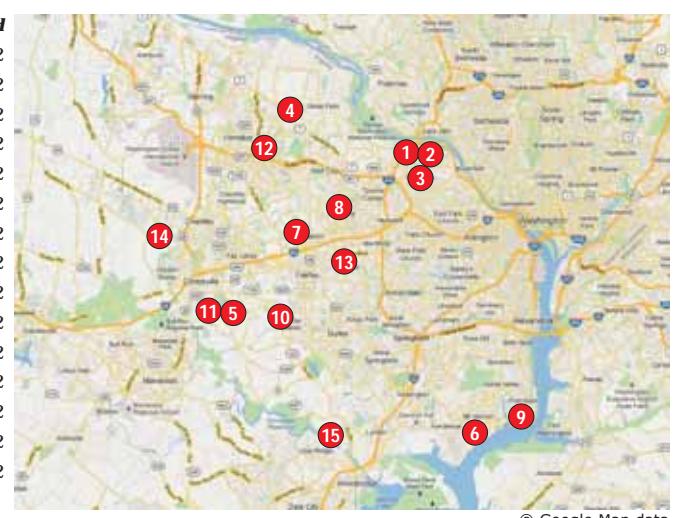
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Week in Reston

Reston Heights to Host Festival on the Square

Reston Heights' 4th annual Festival on the Square is on Sunday, Oct. 14, noon-4 p.m. In addition to hosting Reston Interfaith's Help the Homeless Community Walk, this event offers a full afternoon of free family fun including live music, a petting zoo, face painting, moon bounce, children's activities, plus the Z Car Club's Judging and People's Choice Award. Sheraton and Westin hotel restaurants will heat up the outdoor grills with festival foods for purchase. For event information, go to www.thefestivalonthesquare.com, and find it on the Reston Heights Facebook page and Twitter, or call 703-234-3509. Registration for the Community Walk is available online at Reston Interfaith and on site, noon-1:30 p.m., when the walk begins.

Festival on the Square is sponsored by Reston Heights, The JBG Companies, Westin Reston Heights, Vinifera Wine Bar & Bistro, Sheraton Reston, Syrah Restaurant, Reston Interfaith, Reston Community Center, Reston Association, Family Magazine, Fairfax County Times and The Connection Newspapers.

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The Heritage Fellowship Church, 2501 Fox Mill Road, Reston, presents the Women's Weekend of Wholeness 2012, a holistic health fair with educational workshops and an exhibit hall. On Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 19-21, the weekend aims to restore and educate adult and teen women, beginning Friday night at 7 p.m. 703-620-9515 or dbell@heritagefellowshipchurch.org.

Join for **Vajrayogini Buddhist Center**'s monthly class on Saturday, Oct. 20, held in the library: **Transforming Conflict Through Skillful Action**, from 10-11:30 a.m., at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 1625 Wiehle Ave., Reston. \$12. 202-986-2257 or www.meditation-dc.org.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) Classes. Various times, at St. Veronica Catholic Church on Centerville Road. RCIA is a series of classes for people interested in learning about the Catholic

faith and practice, as well as for those interested in entering (or returning to) the Catholic Church. Classes begin Sept. 17. rcia@stveronica.net.

Vajrayogini Buddhist Center, Brown's Chapel, 11450 Baron Cameron Ave., Reston, holds monthly classes for the general public. Gen Kelsang Varahi, an American Buddhist nun, will teach 'Living Meditation: Meditation for Relaxation,' teachings and guided meditations that teach students how to relax their body and mind. \$12. www.meditation-dc.org or 202-986-2257.

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Floris United Methodist Church, 13600 Frying Pan Road in Herndon, has worship services at 8 a.m., 9:15 a.m., 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Sundays, with a Latino service on Saturdays at 7 p.m. 703-793-0026 or www.florisumc.org.

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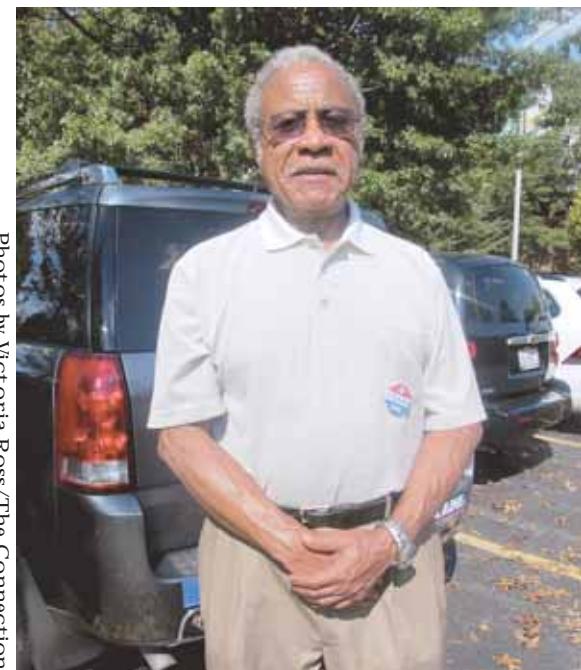


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News



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Denver Lovett of Reston said he was working hard canvassing for President Obama, and didn't want to miss the opportunity to shake his hand at Friday's rally at GMU.

Obama Receives Enthusiastic Welcome

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cess to preventive care like mammograms and cancer screenings with no copay, no deductible, and no out-of-pocket cost for more than 20 million women.

"Now, before this new law, many health care plans charged high deductibles or copays for these preventive services, or they just didn't cover them at all... more than half of all women put off the care they needed because of that," Obama said, shaking his head.

"I don't think a working mom in Arlington should have to wait to get a mammogram just because money is tight. I don't think a college student in Fairfax or Charlottesville should have to choose between textbooks or the preventive care that she needs. That's why we passed this law, and I am proud of it. It was the right thing to do, and we are going to keep it," Obama said, drawing applause after each line.

Polls show Obama with a strong lead (nearly 19 percent) among women voters, especially in battleground states such as Virginia. Before Obama took the stage, a parade of pro-choice women—a young mother from southwest Virginia, a former Republican supporter from Richmond, and Del. Eileen Filler-Corn (D-4)—praised Obama's record on healthcare reform and women's issues.

Filler-Corn got a rousing response as she talked about the recent General Assembly session, when her state GOP colleagues passed a controversial ultrasound bill and proposed "personhood" legislation that attempts to make abortions illegal in Virginia.

"These decisions affect every woman's health...you deserve a president who will fight for your choice and your health," she said.

"He was great today," said Annandale resident Jane Wilson, who brought her daughter Sarah, 10 to the rally. "She was very excited about the whole experience."

Wilson said Obama's remarks on women's issues—equal pay for equal work, health care, affordability of education—are key issues for her.

"There is something to be said for a man who came from the middle class like us. He understands the issues we live every day," Wilson said.

"I thought his speech was really empowering," Sarah Wilson said. "You could believe what he was saying. I want a job someday where I get paid the

same as my brothers."

Kate Badgett, a 17-year-old South Lakes High School senior, came to the debate with her mom Beth. She said education and women's rights were important issues for her.

"I wish I could vote," Badgett said. "Education impacts my life every single day. I have brothers in medical school, and I am planning on college, but the cost is scary," Badgett said. "He's right. We've come too far to turn back now, especially on issues that affect a woman's health."

Janice Allen, Dotte White and Jeannie Hicks, of Alexandria, said the president nailed it when talking about women's rights issues.

"We are all in this together, men and women. Preventative healthcare makes sense whether you care just about the economics of healthcare, or you really care about women's health," White said.

NIRA GUARE said she and her 15-year-old daughter, Madison, McLean residents, appreciated Obama's focus on women's issues.

"My daughter is very passionate on issues of social equality, and women's issues are clearly part of that. Pro-choice, for sure, but also topics like gay rights, equal access to education, pay equality for women, access to health care," Guare said.

"There's something about the 'pull yourself up by your bootstraps' message from Republicans that falls flat to me when so many people are born without boots. He and (former Virginia Governor) Tim Kaine both seemed to be framing 'women's issues' as just 'American Issues,' which I appreciated. If you are a man, and your mom or wife or daughter is dying of breast cancer and can't get health coverage, isn't that your issue too? I have four daughters, and my husband grew up with three sisters and no brothers, so we understand that a woman's issue is everyone's issue with great clarity," she said.

Obama told the crowd he would continue his fight for women's rights.

"The decisions that affect a woman's health aren't up to politicians; they're not up to insurance companies, they're up to you. They're up to you...So, one month. Just one month from tomorrow, Virginia, you're going to step into a voting booth, and you are going to have a very big choice to make."

Obama left the stage amid chants of "Four more years! Four more years! Four more years!"

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"Subjectively Speaking"



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

In my opinion. It's what I think. It's what I feel. It's what I think I feel. It may not be something I know, but it's certainly something that I hope I know. And if it's not exactly something that I know, then I hope it's something I believe. Because, if I don't believe it, hoping might not be enough. And if hoping is not enough, and I don't believe, then what I think I feel is simply mind over matter. Yet for all I know (not much really), my mind might matter more than any other weapon I have – real or imagined, in this battle, hopefully not 'till the death, against the stage IV NSCLC that has taken up residence in my body.

However, it's not as if I don't listen to what my oncologist says/has said. In fact, I take pride in my listening and observational skills, so I think I have paid particular attention throughout this entire process. (After all, my life was/is semi-at-stake here.) Now whether I actually heard/assimilated everything that was said to me by my oncologist is likely another issue/column entirely. Moreover, as much as I know how to focus on what the doctor is saying and to listen carefully in order to ask intelligent and potentially life-saving (at least life-sustaining) questions, later, when my wife and I are home reviewing what the doctor had said only a few hours before, invariably we have different impressions, different interpretations and overall different recollections. Unfortunately, there's no one really for us to call (who's available) to review and clarify questions and/or answers that a few hours later are amazingly less clear than they were when we initially heard them. The reality is, there are no do-overs.

As a result, it becomes impossible (nearly impossible) for the patient (this patient, anyway) to be objective about these kinds of life-and-death meetings/discussions, so what words come out, after internalizing everything you've seen and heard is, "subjectively speaking." Somewhere between your best "recollection," your best guess and your likely most positive spin on a set of facts and/or circumstances which might take a bit of getting used to, or at least, making sense of. And that's how life goes on: from one unforgettable (you know what I mean; not literally, but you sort of forget some of what you hear), potentially life-ending set of doctor-speak to the next round of scans, always to be coordinated with your oncologist-ordered lab work, followed up by yet another appointment/exam with the oncologist, the combination and interpretation of each will ultimately tell the tale: good, bad or indifferent.

"Good" and "bad" speak for themselves. "Indifferent" however, is another discussion altogether. Looking for the positive, minimizing the negative; this conversation turns grasping at straws into a literal event. You believe what you want and discount what you must, anything to induce yourself into believing that tomorrow is, as Scarlett O'Hara made famous at the end of "Gone With The Wind," "another day." One filled with hope and optimism, and one worth living, preferably without cancer. But being realistic – and occasionally honest – with yourself, the cancer is likely not disappearing anytime soon. Shrinkage (of the tumors) would be ideal, of course. But you can live with no growth, too. And as I have come to understand – and appreciate: "stable" is a pretty spectacular word, (my new favorite word, actually). In fact, I can live with "stable." But that's just my opinion, unrealistic though it may be.

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Thomas Jefferson senior Laura Brouckman, right, battles South Lakes sophomore Megan Greatorex for the ball on Oct. 5.



Photos by Craig Sterbutzel/The Connection

South Lakes senior Lisi Mueller, left, is the Seahawks' leading goal scorer.

TJ Goalie Seetharaman Shuts Out South Lakes

Herndon resident leads Colonials to first district win.

By Jon Roetman
The Connection

Thomas Jefferson goalkeeper Priya Seetharaman faced heavy pressure in the first half of the Colonials' Oct. 5 contest against South Lakes as the Seahawks, thanks to a barrage of penalty corners, were frequent visitors to the circle.

But thanks to sound decision-making and the confidence to act on it, Seetharaman kept South Lakes out of the cage and led TJ to its first Liberty District victory.

Seetharaman, a Herndon resident, thwarted multiple South Lakes opportunities, and Brittany Peck and Laura Brouckman scored goals for TJ as the Colonials defeated the Seahawks, 2-0, at South Lakes High School.

"Priya was on her game today," TJ Head Coach Amanda Kelly said. "She was very confident, she worked very well with the defense [and] you could hear her talking with the backfield. The most successful games are the ones she doesn't have to do much, but she worked her [rear end] off today. She did great."

Kelly wasn't the only coach to notice Seetharaman's effort.

"The goalie was outstanding," South Lakes Head Coach Jessica Dowd said. "She single-handedly got to the ball before any



Thomas Jefferson goalkeeper Priya Seetharaman, of Herndon, held South Lakes scoreless during the teams' Oct. 5 match-up at South Lakes High School.

"The goalie was outstanding. She single-handedly got to the ball before any of our forwards did, wasn't afraid to come out, didn't stay back and, as I told her and her coach, she was just an unbelievable goalie."

—South Lakes coach Jessica Dowd about TJ goalie Priya Seetharaman

of our forwards did, wasn't afraid to come out, didn't stay back and, as I told her and her coach, she was just an unbelievable goalie. We had the opportunities. I think some were more directed to the goalie and,

knowing how good she was, we weren't moving her as much and just using each other. The goalie was their saving grace."

Seetharaman said if she believes she can get to the ball, then she'll be aggressive and

attack it, rather than waiting back to make a save.

"It's really all about confidence," she said. "If I don't feel confident going out for [the ball], then I won't go out for it. But as long as I'm confident in there and I know I can get the ball, then I will get the ball."

WHILE THE TJ defense recorded a shut-out, Peck and Brouckman took care of the offense. Peck scored with 2:22 remaining in the first half, giving the Colonials a 1-0 advantage. With 18:38 left in the second half, Brouckman got the ball in the open field and ripped a shot into the cage for a 2-0 TJ lead.

"I think tonight our speed really picked up," Brouckman said. "The way we were communicating and working together definitely started in practice this week and carried over to the game.... I saw the open circle [in the second half] and I just shot as hard as I could. I looked for the corners and it went in."

TJ improved to 5-7-1, including 1-3 in the Liberty District. South Lakes dropped to 9-6, including 1-4 in the district. The Seahawks won six of their first seven games to open the season.

"We're in a tough district," Dowd said. "Right now we're [9-6] with this [loss] and, hands down, that's better than we were doing last year."

Friday was senior night for South Lakes. The Seahawks have three seniors: Lisi Mueller, the team's leading goal scorer, Emily Lemoine and Melissa Westfall.

South Lakes will travel to face Madison at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 10. TJ will host McLean at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 11.

Entertainment

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Help the Homeless Walk. 2:20 p.m., at Herndon High School, 700 Bennett Street, Herndon. Over 600 students/teachers/parents and over \$14,000 in the mini-walk. 703-810-2249.

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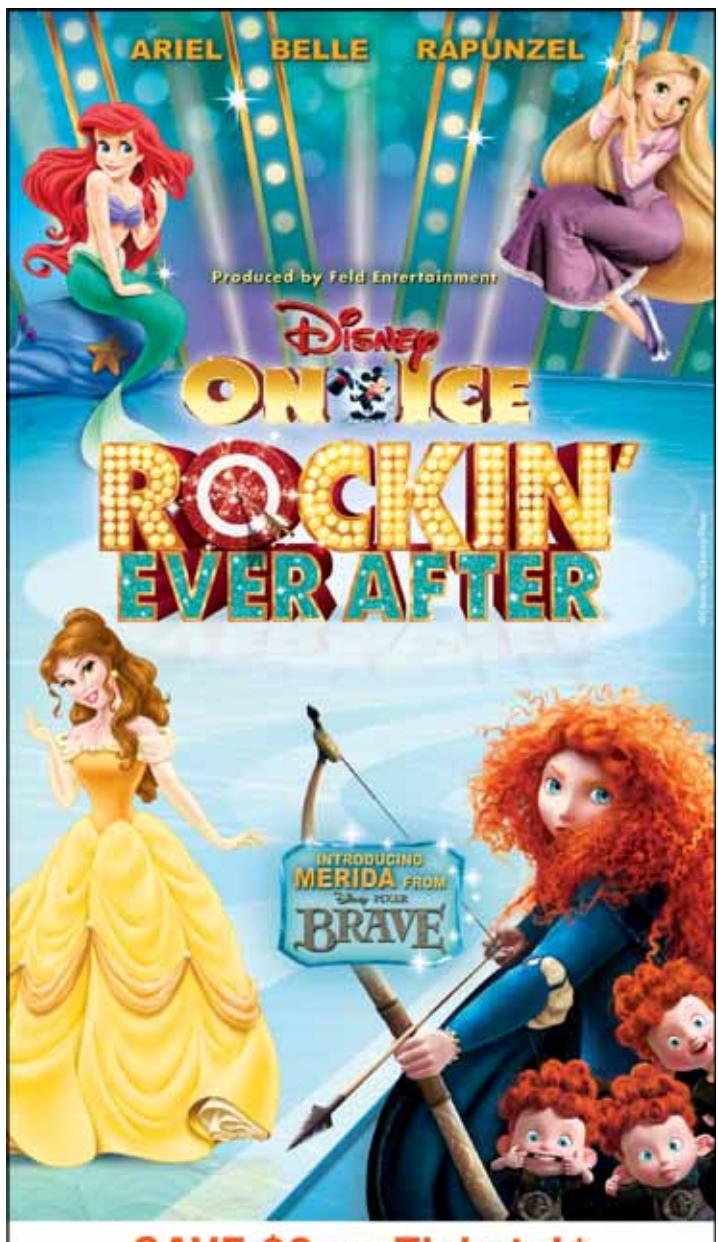
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2012 Light the Night Walk. 5 p.m., at Reston Town Center, 11900 Market Street, Reston. Festivities precede a remembrance ceremony for those who have been lost to cancer, a two-mile walk to follow at 7 p.m. 703-399-2924 or www.lightthenight.org.

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FRIDAY/OCT. 26

The Bradley Farm Haunted House. 6-10 p.m., at 13159 New Parkland Drive, Herndon. Exhibits and well-hidden scares within "The Evil Around Us"-themed house, deeply haunted with local spook and legend. \$5. www.bfhauntedhouse.com.

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SATURDAY/NOV. 10

Children's Fall Flea Market. 9 a.m.-noon, RCC Hunters Woods, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. Donate one non-perishable food item for the RCC Thanksgiving Food Drive and then do your holiday shopping at bargains: gently-used toys, books, clothing and games. www.restoncommunitycenter.com.



Rashida Jolley, a jazz harpist, was the headlining act at the Sixth Annual Lake Anne Jazz Festival. Jolley was a fan favorite on America's Got Talent and recently returned from an international tour with Lady Gaga. Her performance of pieces by John Coltrane, Roberta Flack and Alicia Keys as well as original pieces charmed the audience.

Photo by Amiee Freeman/The Connection

'Amazing Talent' Featured at Lake Anne Jazz Festival coordinators disappointed by sparse turnout.

By Amiee Freeman
The Connection

"Something about Lake Anne and music go together," said Reston resident and Lake Anne Jazz Festival co-coordinator Eve Thompson.

Saturday was the Sixth Annual Lake Anne Jazz Festival. Thompson along with Mykle Lyons, a Reston resident and founder of the Mykle Lyons Trio, started the festival out of love for music and for Lake Anne Plaza, said Thompson.

"Every year Mykle finds amazing talent. All the performers this year are local artists. A lot of people don't realize how much amazing talent we have around here," said Thompson.

"We believe this plaza is a special place. This is our own revitalization plan," continued Thompson referring to on-going Lake Anne Plaza revitalization discussions.

In addition to music, Eduardo Faubert of Jasmine Café was selling classic Oktoberfest fare: brats and hot dogs as well as craft beers and globally sourced wines. The festival is funded by proceeds from the craft market that is held at Lake Anne Plaza during the spring and summer and into the fall.

Jazz vocalist Sharon Clark kicked off the afternoon of music. Clark was the 2007 first

place winner of the Billie Holiday Vocal Competition. Also in the line-up was the Jason Karse Trio, Taylor Jones, Nia Olabesi, Ashley Danemann, the Mykle Lyons Trio and Leslie Summey. Jazz harpist Rashida Jolley was the headliner.

Jolley had just returned from an international tour with Lady Gaga. She had also recently appeared on "America's Got Talent" and was declared a fan favorite. During Saturday's performance she charmed the audience with stellar performances of pieces by Roberta Flack, John Coltrane and Alicia Keys as well as original material.

Prior to playing one of her original pieces, "There's No One Else Like You," Jolley said that when she wrote the song she felt as though she were a vessel for her late father, Noble Jolley Sr., conveying his love for her mother.

Despite the great line-up, turnout was sparse. Both Thompson and Lyons expressed disappointment with the crowd size. Thompson attributed the drop in attendance with the conflicting scheduling of the Reston Oktoberfest held at Town Center. "For six years we have always held our festival on the first Saturday in October. This year the organizers of the Oktoberfest moved up the date of their event," said Thompson.

News

Reston Homes on Display

Eleventh Annual Reston Home Tour to be held on Saturday, Oct. 13, 10 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Visit five outstanding private homes located in Reston's renowned neighborhoods and clusters on Saturday, Oct. 13, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. on the 11th annual Reston Home Tour. Presented by Reston Historic Trust, this self-conducted tour offers exclusive viewing of "wow factor" destinations showing inspiring interior design, architecture, unique ideas, art collections and renovation successes. Reston Home Tour ticket proceeds benefit Reston Museum, which is operated by Reston Historic Trust.

Reston Home Tour tickets include the map of all locations, available for \$30 each, or less.

Online at www.restonmuseum.org.

In person, in September: \$25 until Oct. 5; \$30 October 6-13 at Reston Museum, Lake Anne Florist, Appalachian Spring, GRACE, The Wine Cabinet at North Point and The Nature House.

Group discounts available.

Advice for Reston Home Tour Attendees:

❖ Start the tour at any location of choice using the map on the ticket. Receive a full tour program book with more details and resource information.

❖ Wear comfortable shoes. Attendees may be asked to remove their shoes at some of the homes,

especially if weather is wet. Bags will be provided for shoes to be carried until exiting the home.

❖ Reston Home Tour is not recommended for children, and those under the age of 10 cannot be admitted into the tour homes.

Reston Historic Trust (RHT), "Best of Reston 2010", is a community-based non-profit organization founded in 1996 to sustain the unique history of the award-winning, innovative, planned community of Reston through the operation of Reston Museum and Shop, which opened to the public in 1997. Located at Lake Anne Village Center, Reston Museum is open Tuesday through Sunday from noon until 5 p.m., staffed by volunteer docents. Reston Museum offers walking tours, community exhibits and archives, programs, commemorative bricks, and annual events such as Reston Founder's Day in April, and the Reston Home Tour in October. Reston Museum's shop is the only source for Reston-ware such as t-shirts, mugs, and more. Funding support for operation of Reston Museum comes from public membership with Reston Historic Trust, donations, grants, Reston Home Tour proceeds, and shop sales. Call 703-709-7700 or visit www.restonmuseum.org. Reston Museum and Shop, 1639 Washington Plaza, Reston, VA 20190.



The lakeside minimalist home of architect Matt Lammers holds a collection of fine art by Ginny Herzog. It is one of the five private homes open to the public for one day on the Reston Home Tour, Saturday, Oct. 13.



A bath from the Beyer home, located on Reston's Lake Thoreau.

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Community



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Members of the Alpine Dancers, an ensemble specializing in dance from Austria, Germany and Switzerland, perform at the Reston Oktoberfest Sunday, Oct. 7.

Town Center Hosts Oktoberfest

Annual event features fall beer, food, children's carnival.

By Alex McVeigh
The Connection

A cold, rainy day couldn't keep George Mitchell and his friends away from Reston's Oktoberfest Sunday, Oct. 6. "Wind, rain and a cold wind is the perfect fall weather, and there's nothing that screams fall like an Oktoberfest," Mitchell said. "I wanted to come on a Sunday, so we could wander around and watch the Redskins at the [American] Tap Room and watch from outside if we had to."

Though Mitchell was one of a few that made it out on Sunday, the annual Reston Oktoberfest drew thousands to Reston Town Center from Friday to Sunday. Featuring live music, children's entertainment, a variety of Oktoberfest-inspired food from local restaurants and a large selection of fall beers, most attendees were able to find something to keep busy, if not a day's worth.

"Fall beers are my favorite seasonal beers by far. The summer ones are a bit light and the winter ones are so heavy you can't have more than a few, but the fall brews

are the perfect blend of flavors," said John Root of Vienna. "Plus they really warm you up on a day like this."

Michelle Burton, who says she goes to almost every festival Reston Town Center hosts throughout the year, said Oktoberfest is the one time where she doesn't take time to explore much.

"I like to keep myself anchored around the pavilion, that's where the beer is, and that's where the music is happening. I don't need anything more than that," she said. "Other than finding the closest bratwurst, I'm not going anywhere."

Other visitors didn't stray far from the parking lot at the corner of Presidents Street and Freedom Drive, the site of the children's carnival. The weather on Sunday meant that most rides were empty throughout the day, something that Carlos Garcia, 9, and his parents were able to take full advantage of.

"I was able to pretty much go from ride to ride and there wasn't anyone in line, we could even ride some of them three or four times in a row," Garcia said. "The Ferris wheel was the best, because we could get a view of the entire carnival, and they let us stay on for a while."



A clown performs at the Reston Oktoberfest Sunday, Oct. 7 as part of the weekend's activities.



Bob Westin of the Kings Park German Band plays his strumphfiddle at the annual Reston Oktoberfest Sunday, Oct. 7.



Herbert Traxler of the Alpine Dancers leads a toast at the Reston Oktoberfest Sunday, Oct. 7.



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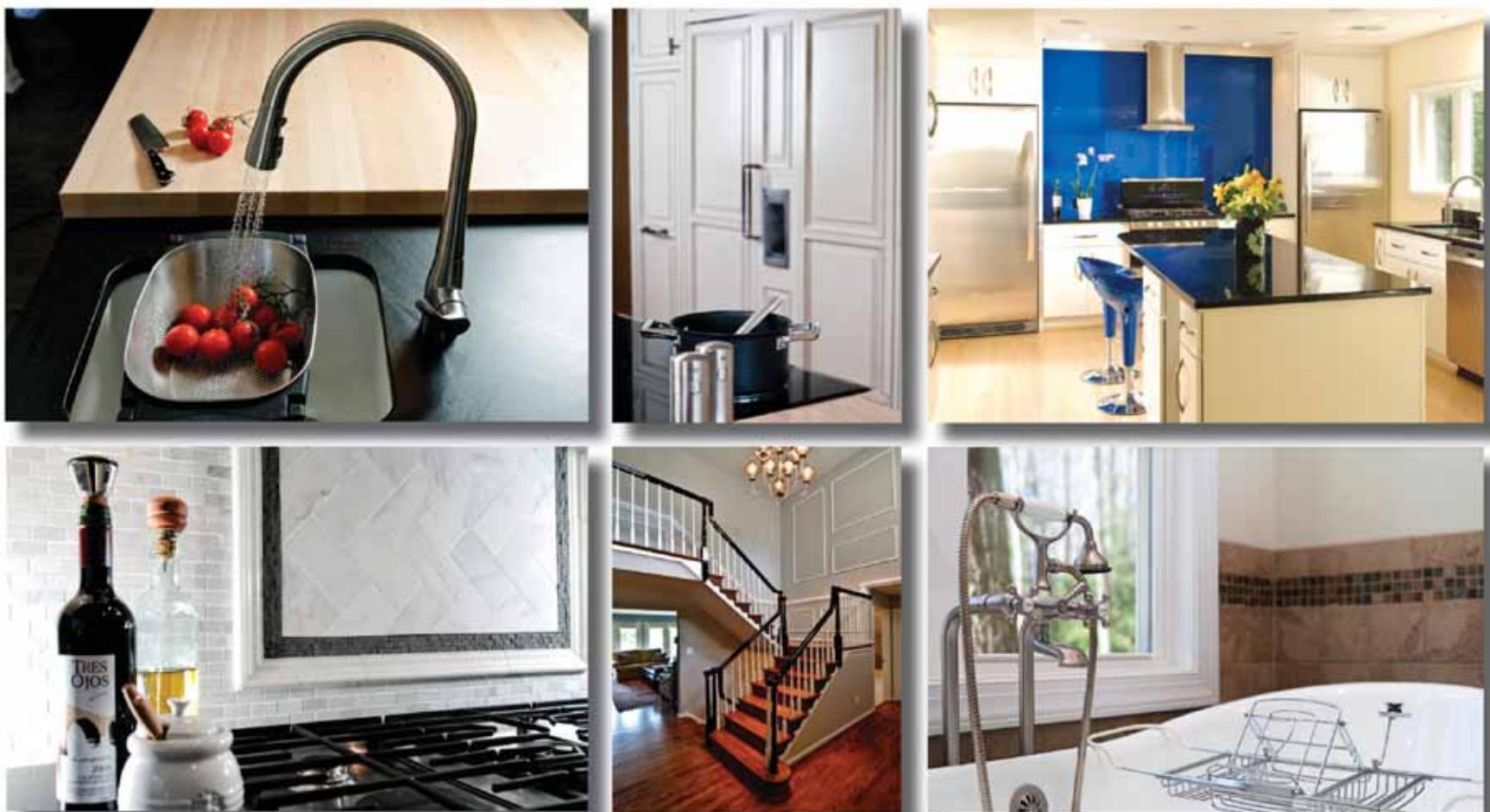
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To My Friends and Neighbors

What gives people the energy to do what they do? Some are motivated by the promise of financial reward, some crave social position, some are motivated by curiosity and some by something else. I invite you to ask any of the 49 artists on this, the Ninth Annual Great Falls Studios Tour, what drives them to give the time, resources, thought and hope to their art. Ask them also how they work, where they get their materials, where they look for inspiration, what they do when they draw a blank. Ask them—they may tell you something really surprising! Please join us!

Laura Nichols
President, Great Falls Studios

YOUR ART TOUR HOSTS: GREAT FALLS STUDIOS

In 2003, a handful of local artists sitting around a kitchen table launched a movement to help promote creativity in Great Falls. They started a group called Great Falls Studios. Today, this organization has more than 100 artist members. We serve our community while helping kindred spirits advance professionally in the arts. The Studios Tour is our signature event. In its first eight years, it has generated more than 21,500 visits to home-based art studios and other art venues in Great Falls and has become a "go to" arts event in the DC area.

To learn more about us and our artists, please visit our website: www.GreatFallsStudios.com. While there, you can see the artwork of our members, along with an online gallery of local art that changes monthly. Then enjoy our tour. Meet you in Great Falls.



2012 STUDIOS TOUR AT A GLANCE

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE NINTH ANNUAL GREAT FALLS STUDIOS TOUR

What it is: A self-guided driving tour to meet 49 artists in their home studios or in group venues.

Where: Great Falls, Virginia.

When: Saturday and Sunday, October 20 and 21, 2012. Hours: 10:00 to 5:00. Rain or shine.

Cost: Free.

What you'll see: Home-based art studios and other venues scattered on scenic back roads. Meet artists in their creative "habitats," including barns, historic buildings, rustic homes, contemporary houses. Enjoy fall colors.

How to navigate: Drive from venue to venue. Free maps and roadside directional signs will help you find your way. Pick up a brochure at any venue on tour days.

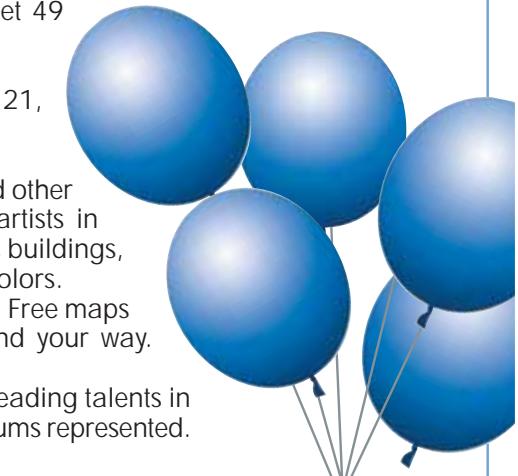
About the artists: Our artists include many leading talents in the DC area. You'll find a dozen different art mediums represented.

Buying local art: All artists will be selling their work. If buying art is on your agenda, bring a checkbook since many studios do not have credit-card capability.

"Art Buck" prizes: Win one of forty \$50 certificates good toward art purchases. Register for a drawing through October 18 at www.GreatFallsStudios.com. Winners will be notified by telephone before the tour.

Bonus home opening: Our tour is sponsored by Sun Design Remodeling Specialists, Inc., which will hold a concurrent tour featuring an open house at a Great Falls home it has renovated. Discover elegant design solutions to remodeling challenges.

Meals: Four participating local restaurants will be open for lunch and/or dinner: BRX American Bistro, L'Auberge Chez François, The Old Brogue Irish Pub, and Mediterranee Restaurant (Saturday only).



Friends of the Arts: We Tip Our Hats

Our tour would be impossible without the help of those who support our vision. To them we offer a heartfelt thank you:

Tour sponsor: Sun Design, a home remodeling company, is our primary financial benefactor. Please visit Sun's home tour, concurrent with our own. www.SunDesignInc.com.

Restaurants: Stop for lunch or dinner at one of four official tour eateries: BRX American Bistro, L'Auberge Chez François, The Old Brogue Irish Pub, and Mediterranee Restaurant.

Advertisers: Please see ads in this newspaper insert for companies and non-profits that support the tour, and consider supporting them with your business.

Year-round partners: Special kudos to those that hang local art or otherwise support the arts: Great Falls Citizens Association, Great Falls Community Library, Great Falls Foundation for the Arts, The Old Brogue Irish Pub, Seneca Hill Animal Hospital Resort & Spa, Turner Framing, Inc., and Village Green Day School.





PHOTO Guide To WHAT You'll SEE ON THE TOUR

The Ninth Annual Great Falls Studios Tour will transport you to creative outposts throughout our village. You can visit home studios, group studios and other venues to meet artists and chat about the creative process. Many studios are located in extraordinary contemporary or historic houses, or in old barns, converted garages or sheds. In all, 49 artists will take part. All live or work in Great Falls. The art you'll see varies dramatically in style, cost and subject matter.

The tour is free. You can go in any order. Use the map on page 8 of this newspaper insert as your guide. Brochures with artist information and sample art can be picked up at any venue on tour days.

Houses and Spaces

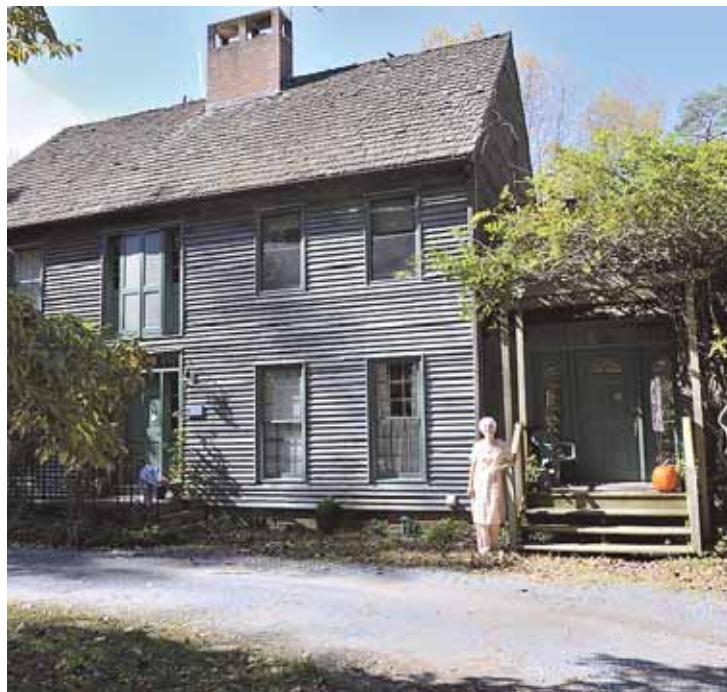


Vad Moskowitz, fiber artist/weaver (Studio #3)

Artists Creating



Barbara Gatterdam, potter (Studio #21)



GuruSangat Khalsa, painter (Studio #26)



Michael McDermott, digital artist/photographer (Studio #14)



Karen Bateman, painter (on location, Venue #14)



Dean Souleles, photographer (Studio #27)

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Studios AND Workplaces



Jo Fleming, painter (Studio #5)

ART of All Kinds



Robin Kent, photographer (Studio #28)



Artists' Atelier, multiple artists (Venue #24)

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Will Tuthill, printmaker (Studio #8)

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Jinny Beyer, fiber artist/quilter (Studio #20)

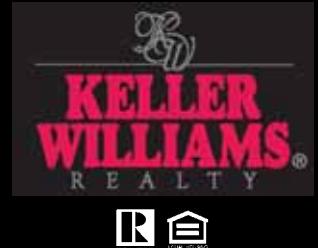


Kathleen O'Bryan Hedges, sculptor (Studio #25)



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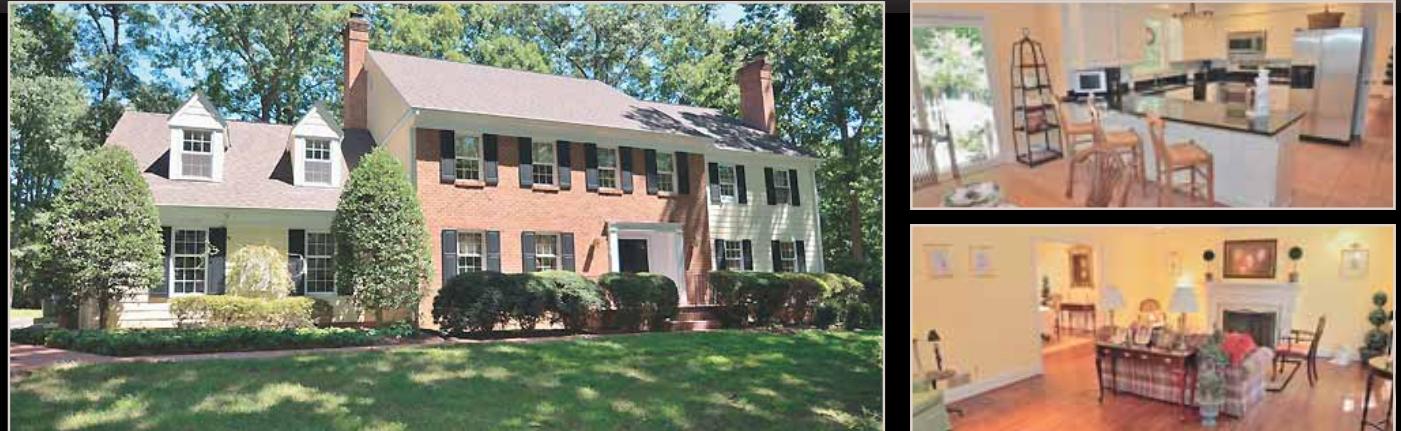
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MCLEAN, VA Offered at \$7,500,000

Exquisite is the only way to describe this 1938 farmhouse completely renovated, restored and expanded by architect David Decker. A completely private 2 acres in the middle of one of McLean's most prestigious neighborhoods, this charming home has so much to offer. Beautiful finishes, grand rooms for entertaining, a wrap-around front porch, French doors throughout, beautiful views along with 7 fireplaces.



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ART TOUR COMPANION EVENT FEATURES REMODELED HOME

TOUR SPONSOR SUN DESIGN shows off its CAPABILITIES, brings 'ART' TO HOME RESTORATION

A second tour that runs concurrently with the Great Falls Studios Tour will be hosted by Sun Design, an architectural design-build remodeling firm—same days, same hours.

Visitors interested in reinventing their own homes can drop by an open house where Sun has partially remodeled the main living level, to include a kitchen that is now open to the family room, and more. Craftspeople from the company will guide visitors through the space while answering questions and educating them on the design-build process.

Sun Design, which is based in Burke and has been in business for more than two decades, has just opened its second office in McLean. For the second year, it is the sole sponsor of the Great Falls Studios Tour. The

company's financial support makes the art tour possible.

The partnership between a community arts organization and a regional company that brings new life to homes is based on the value of good design, each organization says. "We're delighted to have a company supporting our art event that places such importance on aesthetics in its home remodeling," said Laura Nichols, president of Great Falls Studios.

Location of the Sun Design open house is shown on our map, pages 8 and 9, with a yellow-and-brown icon. Two of the home-based art studios on the Studio Tour are also located in homes where Sun has completed renovation work. You can find out which ones by looking at the key with our map.

FOR HUNGRY TOUR VISITORS: A CHOICE OF LUNCH SPOTS

FOUR GREAT FALLS RESTAURANTS ARE official WATERING HOLES

Four Great Falls restaurants are participating in the 2012 Studios Tour as tour partners. They will be open for lunch or dinner.

The four are L'Auberge Chez Francois, BRX American Bistro, Mediteranee Restaurant and the Old Brogue Irish Pub. (Mediteranee will

be open on Saturday only.) All four are shown on our map and accompanying key, on pages 8 and 9 of this newspaper insert.

The restaurants provide a range of cuisines and price points. Dining at any of them offers a respite from busy art sightseeing.

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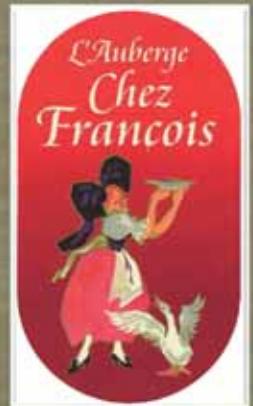
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MEET THE ARTISTS

Alphabetical listing of TOUR ARTISTS by medium

Numbers key to studio locations on our map

Digital Artists

Michael McDermott #14

Fiber Artists

Jinny Beyer #20
Cindy Grisdela #24
Vad Moskowitz #3

Flower Designer

Binaifer Davar #16

Jewelry Designers

Jorge Adeler #19
Donna Barnako #10
Linda Rosen #17

Layered Paper Artist

Ronni Jolles #12

Mixed Media Artists

Roberta Pruitt Beasley #24
Tina Learned #24
Sheila Lynch #15

Painters

Jill Banks #24
Karen Bateman #14
Benjamin Cheshire #17
Hwa Crawford #16
Jennifer Duncan #23
Elaine Elinsky #24
Jo Fleming #5
Betty Ganley #16
Robert Gilbert #29
Yeganeh Hejazi #7
Linda Jones #30
GuruSangat Khalsa #26
Michela Mansuino #24
John McCabe #24
Begona Morton #6
Mehrnaz Moussavi #11
Pat Neuman #13
Gail Pearn #18
Alicia Sommers #16
Judith St. Ledger-Roty #24
Mollie Vardell #24

Photographers

Jan Bender #2
Robin Kent #28
Walt Lawrence #24
Dee Leggett #17
Val Mahan #9
Terri Parent #24
Silvia Gonzalez Roman #16
Dean Souleles #27

Potters

David Cowdrill #1
Barbara Gatterdam #21
Laura Nichols #14
Pu-Chin Waide #22

Printmaker

William Tuthill #8

Sculptors

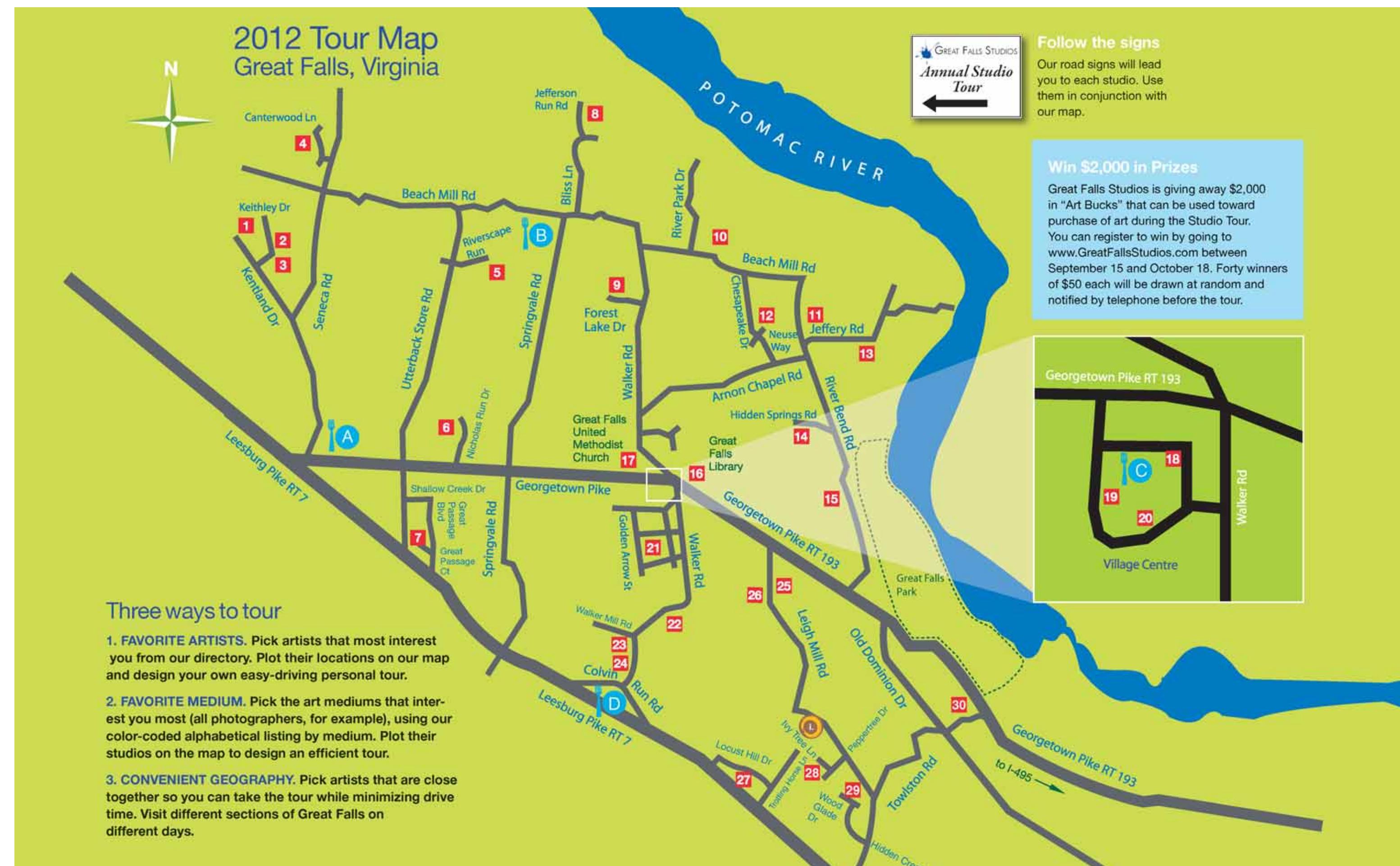
Jonathan Fisher #4
Kathleen O'Bryan Hedges #25

Wood Carver

Michael Long #17

Art School

Great Falls School of Art #24



How to Read Our Map

Finding the artists: Numerals in red squares on our map show the locations of individual art studios or other art venues. They are keyed to an alphabetical list of artists by medium.

Home restoration: A yellow-and-brown Sun icon shows the location where Sun Design staff will walk visitors through a recently completed home renovation. This home will be open to all visitors of the tour. Details are listed below:

Sun Design Home Remodel Site:

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Explore the warm farmhouse feel of a country, rustic kitchen with large center island, new pantry, breakfast area, powder room, and mud room.

Sun Design Bonus:

When you visit the renovated art studio of painter Jennifer Duncan, #23 on map, and home of Nancy Broyhill and painter Robert Gilbert, #29 on map, you'll be seeing other reinvented spaces by Sun Design.

Where to have lunch or dinner: Letters in blue circles show the locations of four participating restaurants, representing a variety of cuisines and price points:

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B. L'Auberge Chez François

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Follow the signs

Our road signs will lead you to each studio. Use them in conjunction with our map.

Win \$2,000 in Prizes

Great Falls Studios is giving away \$2,000 in "Art Bucks" that can be used toward purchase of art during the Studio Tour. You can register to win by going to www.GreatFallsStudios.com between September 15 and October 18. Forty winners of \$50 each will be drawn at random and notified by telephone before the tour.



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ARTISTS TO GIVE AWAY \$2000 IN PRIZES ONLINE

You can win one of forty \$50 'Art Bucks'
in a random drawing at Great Falls Studios' website

Great Falls Studios, organizer of the Ninth Annual Great Falls Studios Tour, has announced that its member artists are giving away forty gift certificates, each worth \$50, to be used toward purchase of art on the tour. The certificates are called Art Bucks.

The giveaway takes place via a drawing now being held, through October 18, at the Great Falls Studios website: www.GreatFallsStudios.com. To win, simply register online. Forty winners will be picked randomly and will be informed by phone prior to the Studio Tour. Winners can pick up their Art Bucks at the Great Falls

Library on tour days. The library is one of the venues on the tour.

The Art Buck program has two main goals. One is to encourage you to visit our website, where you can meet artists online while you are registering for an Art Buck or look at our virtual gallery, where the art changes monthly. The other is to stimulate sales of local art at the Studios Tour.

Each participating artist will be selling original art "Made in Great Falls." The work includes some of the finest art produced in the Metro area. And it is offered at reasonable prices—lower than you would pay in leading galleries.



You can win a \$50 gift certificate, called an Art Buck, by going online. In all, \$2,000 in prizes will be given away for purchase of art during the tour.

Holiday Art Sale To Benefit School

Next Great Falls Studios event to raise
money for children's' art resources

Once the dust settles from the studio tour, there's more art on the horizon for Great Falls—and this time it will focus on art education for younger kids.

The annual Great Falls Studios Holiday Art Sale will be held December 8 and 9 from 10:00 to 5:00 at the Village Green Day School, 790 Walker Road, just south of the Village Centre. During the sale, selected artists from Great Falls Studios will sell paintings, photographs, pottery, jewelry, art quilts, cards and other art that is especially suitable for the gift-giving season."

This is a great time to buy last-minute presents that are 'Made in Great Falls,'" said Linda Jones, a

painter who organizes the event for Great Falls Studios. "It's also an opportunity to buy high-quality artworks for yourself."

A percentage of all sales will be donated to the school to help build its art education program. The Village Green Day School is for pre-school-age children.

For up-to-date listings of other arts events scheduled throughout the year by Great Falls Studios, you can go to the calendar at the group's website: www.GreatFallsStudios.com. One upcoming event: the Great Falls Studios Art Boutique at Herndon ArtSpace (750 Center St., Herndon, VA). It will open Tuesday, October 28, through Saturday, November 3, 10:00 to 5:00.

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Steven Isserlis, cello
Kirill Gerstein, piano
Liszt, Busoni, Brahms, Bartók
Fri., January 25 at 8 pm

Parker String Quartet
Debussy, Liszt, Dvořák
Fri., March 1 at 8 pm

Chatham Baroque
J.S. Bach, Buxtehude, Biber, Schmelzer
Fri., March 15 at 8 pm

Peter Kolkay, bassoon
Wolf Trap Debut Artist with Alexandra Nguyen, piano and Deirdre Chadwick, oboe
Moravec, Poulenc, Lalliet
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Parker String Quartet: 3/1



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MEET A PALETTE OF ARTISTS: FROM POTTERS TO PAINTERS

On this year's studios tour you can find a wood carver wielding a chain saw. Or a weaver who dyes wool on her front porch. Or a printmaker

outsmarting lithographic stones on a historic printing press.

In all, there are 49 artists taking part, and they all have stories. Each

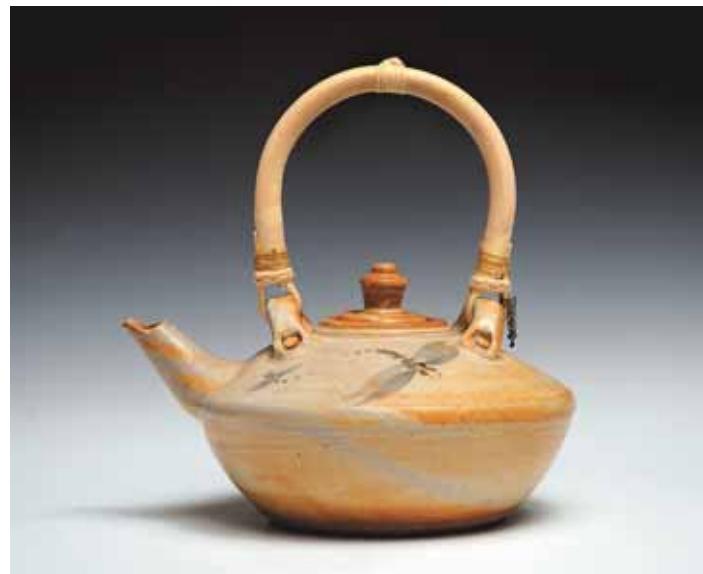
creates something different. And each works in a personal space that says something novel about the creative process. You can meet them

all and let some of the magic rub off.

Here's what you'll discover when you interact with the artists of Great Falls:

Powwow With Potters

There are four potteries on the tour. They range from a historic outbuilding on an 18th-Century farm to a converted two-car garage. These studios are particularly interesting to visit because so much is going on—fiery kilns, splattery wheels, drying racks, earthen colors. Watch talented craftspeople transform wet clay into urns, mugs, dishes, fountains, serving plates—even miniature animals.



Laura Nichols, potter (Studio #14)

Schmooze With Sculptors

You'll discover human figures and animals cast in bronze, or bright abstractions in wood. Studios this year: a converted shed that doubles as an art school and a small barn in an orchard. Witness the creative process in three dimensions and get insight into how the human brain copes with viewing art from multiple perspectives.



Jonathan Fisher, sculptor (Studio #4)

PUTTER With PAINTERS

Painters make up the biggest group on the Tour: 21 of them.

These artists are as different as cats and dogs, guns and butter, Romney and Obama. Some of them work in watercolor, oils, acrylics. Pastel and charcoal artists are in this group, too.

You can check out wildlife art, shimmering abstract pieces, ocean scenes, still lifes, landscapes, portraits. Some painters produce towering creations, some miniatures only a few inches across. You can even commission paintings for your home. Visit some of these brush-wielding artisans in group venues, such as the Artists' Atelier, where 15 creative types do their thing in a charming oversized garret. Find others at the Great Falls Library, the Great Falls United Methodist Church, or in a variety of home-based studios, one as entertaining as the next.



Michela Mansuino, painter (Studio #24)

Befriend Photographers

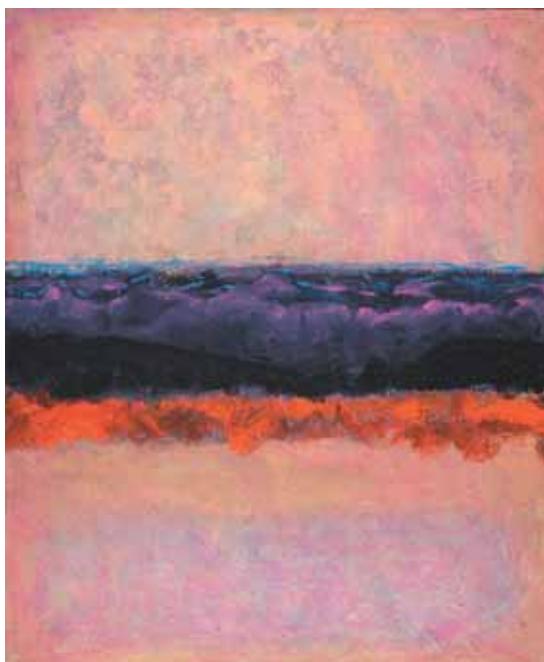
If you're a camera buff, expect great shooting tips. Visit an old-fashioned darkroom or discover cutting-edge digital wizardry via computer. Revel in incredible images that range from black-and-white photographs to stunning views of DC-area monuments. Learn about lenses and other equipment, but pay special attention to the greatest piece of photographic equipment of all—the human eye. There are eight photographers and a digital artist on the tour.



Jan Bender, photographer (Studio #2)



Donna Barnako, jewelry designer (Studio #10)



Roberta Pruett Beasley, mixed media (Studio #24)



Vad Moskowitz, weaver (Studio #3)

FRATERNIZE With Fiberists

See how quilting has become high art—with stunning traditional designs or mind-blowing contemporary works. Watch talented hands at work. There are two quilters in this group (some quilters prefer to be called fiber artists these days). There's also a weaver (her loom rocks) who makes small purses.

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Mix With MISCELLANEOUS

These may be the best of all. Meet a printmaker (old-fashioned press), a layered paper artist (complete with baby grand piano in the studio), a wood carver (that's the one with the chain saw), and a floral designer (see live flowers as art).



Ronni Jolles, layered paper (Studio #12)



Yeganeh Hejazi (Studio #7)

NURTURING NEWBIES

Every year our tour has artists you've never met before. In 2012, six of them are new to the event—or returning after an absence. And that means different art for you to see. You'll find these creative talents at venues #1, #7, #16, #17, #24, #25.

Do Your Homework

Want to learn more about artists on the tour? For more samples of their work and a profile, go to: www.GreatFallsStudios.com. For some artists, you can also link to a personal website. Then enjoy the tour, the art, the studios, the creative process, friendly conversations, extraordinary properties, our artful community—and, at some unspecified studios, free cookies while they last.

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