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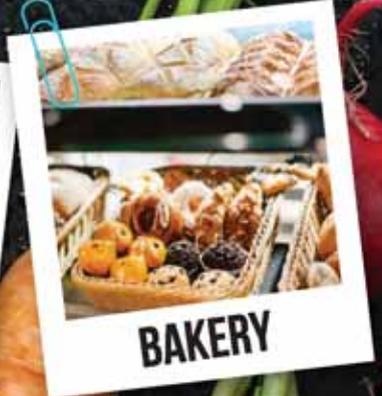
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Clinton and Kaine Carry Virginia, Trump Seizes Key Battlegrounds

**Comstock, Connolly,
Beyer re-elected;
meals tax voted down;
bonds voted up.**

BY TIM PETERSON
THE CONNECTION

With final numbers still coming in from around the country, Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump carried a strong lead early Wednesday morning over Democrat opponent Hillary Clinton.

In the Commonwealth of Virginia, however, the former First Lady, U.S. Senator and Secretary of State picked up a victory over Trump. According to Virginia Department of Elections unofficial results, Clinton carried Virginia with 48.2 percent, 1,742,105 votes, to Trump's 46 percent, 1,662,777 votes. Libertarian Gary Johnson received three percent of the vote, just over 109,000.

Fairfax County played a key role in that Clinton win, registering a 63.8 percent vote for Clinton over 30.3 percent for Trump.

Newly re-elected Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11) attended a Democratic Party of Virginia event in Falls Church, hosted by Gov. Terry McAuliffe (D).

"In delivering Virginia for Secretary Clinton and Senator Kaine tonight," Connolly said in a statement, "Virginians sent a clear message that we will not tolerate the hateful rhetoric that sought to divide us."

But with Trump grabbing hold of multiple swing-states including electoral college heavyweights Ohio, Florida and North Carolina, he controlled a commanding lead over Clinton nationally going into the early morning. That was much to the surprise of many pollsters who had Clinton leading early in some of those battlegrounds.

"It's pretty clear there's a chunk of the electorate in the U.S. which is significantly alienated," said Virginia state Sen. Scott Surovell (D-36). "It's mind-boggling you could vote for someone who's an acknowledged sexual assaulter. The rest of world looks to our country to be a beacon of democracy — mature and responsible. Donald Trump would be harmful to how people practice politics in the U.S."

SUPERVISOR Pat Herryty (R-Springfield) said: "A lot of people are dissatisfied with government," he said. "In the end, the people have spoken."

In the U.S. House of Representatives 10th District race, incumbent Republican Barbara



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Center, Virginia Gov. Terry McAuliffe (D) announces Hillary Clinton a winner in the Commonwealth over Republican challenger Donald Trump.



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(From left) Fairfax County Board of Supervisors chairman Sharon Bulova, Supervisor Kathy Smith (D-Sully) and supervisor Cathy Hudgins (D-Hunter Mill) attend the Fairfax County Democratic Committee election night party at the Waterford at Fair Oaks.

Comstock defeated Democrat challenger LuAnn Bennett 53.3 percent to 46.3 percent.

Incumbent Gerry Connolly (D) in the 11th District ran unopposed and received 87.39 percent of the popular vote. Incumbent Don Beyer (D-8) was re-elected with more than 68 percent of the vote.

"I thank the voters of Virginia's 11th district for once again giving me their trust and sending me back to Congress," Connolly said in a statement. "I love what I do and I love representing the people of Northern Virginia. It's been the greatest privilege of my life."

Also on the ballot for Virginia voters were two Constitutional amendments, plus in Fairfax County, a referendum on the meals tax and a trio of bonds items.

The first amendment, known as "right to work," essentially ensures a citizen is allowed to work in a job without being required to join a labor union. That measure

was voted down in Virginia 53.5 percent to 46.5 percent. Fairfax County went slightly further, voting it down with 55.8 percent of votes.

"I was very happy it didn't pass," said Del. Paul Krizek (D-44) who represents much of the Mount Vernon District of Fairfax County. "It shows Virginians don't like to mess with our Constitution. And unions are still quite respected by our electorate."

Question two, a property tax exemption for spouses of policemen and firefighters killed in the line of duty, passed overwhelmingly with 79.5 percent of the vote, or 2,575,064 votes.

The proposed Fairfax County meals tax was defeated by a margin of 55.8 percent to 44.2 percent.

MEALS TAX referendum would have allowed Fairfax County supervisors to enact up to a four percent tax on prepared foods and beverages. Opponents called the tax

Unofficial Election Results

Source: <http://results.elections.virginia.gov/>

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Virginia Results

Hillary Clinton (D)	1,904,700	49.46%
Donald J. Trump (R)	1,722,045	44.72%
Gary Johnson (L)	115,330	2.99%
Evan McMullin (I)	52,538	1.36%
Jill Stein (G)	27,138	0.70%

Fairfax County Results

Hillary Clinton (D)	354,486	64.41%
Donald J. Trump (R)	157,547	28.63%
Gary Johnson (L)	15,649	2.84%
Evan McMullin (I)	10,366	1.88%
Jill Stein (G)	4,551	0.83%

U.S. CONGRESS

Member House of Representatives (08)

Donald S. Beyer Jr. (D)	245,775	68.36%
Charles A. Hernick (R)	98,123	27.29%
Julio Gracia (I)	14,617	4.07%

Member House of Representatives (10)

Barbara Jean Comstock (R)	203,411	52.67%
LuAnn L. Bennett (D)	181,314	46.94%

Member House of Representatives (11)

G. E. "Gerry" Connolly (D)	233,552	87.65%
Write-in	32,922	12.35%

Unopposed

Fairfax County Meals Tax

No	286,543	53.69%
Yes	247,139	46.31%

regressive and said it would negatively impact more families than it would benefit. Supporters pointed to the 70 percent of revenue generated by the tax promised to go directly to Fairfax County Public Schools as the system struggles to find money to pay teachers competitively.

"It was an uphill battle from the start," Fairfax County Board of Supervisors chairman Sharon Bulova said from the Fairfax County Democratic Committee election night party at the Waterford at Fair Oaks.

"People have spoken again," said Herryty, who was strongly against the proposal. "They're not ready for another \$100 million tax on top of the \$100 million we put on them earlier this year. ...

"This wasn't a Republican or Democrat issue," Herryty continued. "We need to grow our commercial tax base and spend more wisely. Just like 1992, it sends a message to the Board of Supervisors and school board we need to get the spending under control."

Each of three Fairfax County bond items passed with more than 60 percent of the vote, including transportation, parks and facilities, and human services and development bonds.

"People have always been supportive," of the bonds, Bulova said. "It's a reflection of our careful budgeting of debt service."

For more results, see results.elections.virginia.gov

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Lexie Station (right) gave an instructional talk on using FamilySearch, an extensive, free database operated by the Mormon Church, to search and store one's family tree.

Making History Personal at Burke History Day 2016

Burke History Day 2016, put on by the Burke Historical Society, was all about getting community members to become more engaged in the study of history themselves.

Titled "Finding Your History," the day-long event on Nov. 5 at the Burke Centre Library included half a dozen special research workshops in addition to poster displays, stories from Silas Burke himself and children's activities.

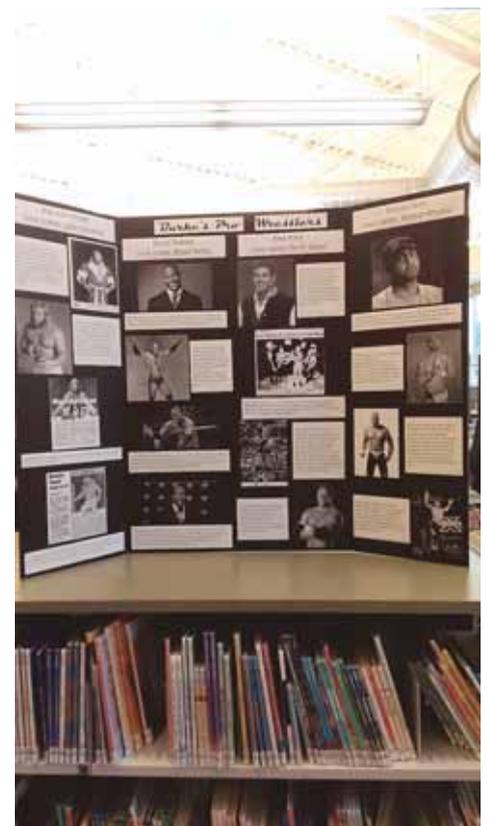
Chris Barbuschak from the Fairfax library started the day with a session on searching old newspaper archives through online databases.

Lexie Station gave an instructional talk on using FamilySearch, an extensive, free database operated by the Mormon Church, to search and store one's family tree.

Other workshops included a children's program about the Silas Burke House and Huldah Coffey House, and interpreting maps and aerials.

The next meeting of the Burke Historical Society is scheduled for 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 20, in the fellowship hall at Abiding Presence Lutheran Church, 6304 Lee Chapel Road in Burke. Author Paul N. Herbert will discuss his latest book "Treason in the Rockies."

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One poster display at Burke History Day on Nov. 5 tells about the professional wrestlers who have come out of Burke over the years.

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Beautifying New Pohick Library

Perry Spring, a “Life” scout in Boy Scout Troop 1100, at Nativity Church in Burke completed his Eagle Scout Service Project by leading his Troop in rebuilding the entranceway planter boxes at the newly renovated Pohick Library on Sydenstricker Road. More than thirty scouts from Troop 1100 worked throughout the day to complete this project. The service project included removing the old plantings and deconstructing the planter boxes. The Scouts then cut the lumber and rebuilt new planter boxes. The planter box areas are now ready for fresh new plantings that will be planted to beautify the entranceway to the new library.



A group of the scouts who participated in the service project.

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Perry Spring (right) and Matt Jenkins.



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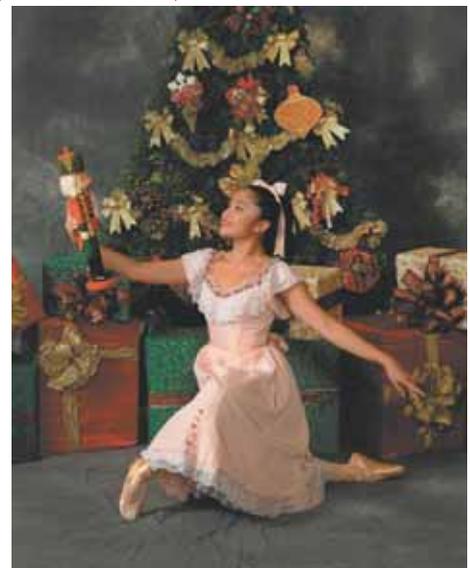
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OPINION

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During the last week of each year, The Connection devotes its entire issue to the creativity of local students and children. The results are always remarkable. It is a keepsake edition for many families. Even readers without children of that age spend time admiring and chuckling over the issue. The annual Children's Connection is a tradition of well over a decade.

We publish artwork, poetry, essays, creative writing, opinion pieces, short stories, photography, photos of sculpture or gardens or other creative efforts.

We ask that all submissions be digital so they can be sent through email or delivered on CD or flash drive. Writing should be submitted in rich text format (.rtf). Artwork should be photographed or scanned and provided in jpeg format.

Some suggestions:

- ❖ Drawings or paintings or photographs of your family, friends, pets or some favorite activity. These should be photographed or scanned and submitted in jpeg format. Photos of sculpture or larger art projects are also welcome.

- ❖ Short answers (50 to 100 words) to some of the following questions: If you could give your parents, family or friends any gift that didn't cost money what would that gift be?

Editor's Note

Eight of the 15 Connection Newspapers go to press during the day on Tuesdays, including earlier this week on Election Day. Reporters visited polling places and filed photos and short stories during the day on Election Day, election results were not yet available when this paper went to press. See next week's papers for more insight.
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— MARY KIMM

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What are you most looking forward to in the upcoming year? What is one thing that you would change about school? What do you want to be when you grow up? What is your favorite animal? What is your favorite toy? What makes a good parent? What makes a good friend? Describe one of the best or worst things that ever happened to you? What is the best gift you've ever given? Ever received?

- ❖ Your opinion (50 to 100 words) about traffic, sports, restaurants, video games, toys, trends, politics, etc.

- ❖ Poetry or other creative writing.
- ❖ News stories from school newspapers.
- ❖ Photos and text about activities or events.

We welcome contributions from public and private schools, individuals and

homeschoolers.

To be published, we must have the full first and last name of the student artist/writer.

Identify each piece of writing or art, including the student's full name, age, grade and town of residence, plus the name of the school, name of teacher and town of school location.

To send CDs or flash drives containing artwork and typed, electronic submissions, mark them clearly by school and hometown and mail the CD or flash drive to: Children's Connection, 1606 King Street, Alexandria, VA 22314.

Please send all submissions by Friday, Dec. 2. The Children's Connection will publish the last week of 2016.

You can see last year's editions by visiting www.connectionnewspapers.com/PDFs/ and scroll down to Children's Edition.

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EDITORIAL

Regardless of who the new president is and who controls the Congress there is much work to be done.

After the Elections

BY KENNETH R.
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STATE DELEGATE (D-36)



COMMENTARY

ture—to name just a few!

The greatest challenge of all may be the sharp division of opinion apparent during the election season on the role government should play in responding to these

needs. Complicating any reasonable discussion of the differences of opinion is the lack of trust of governmental institutions and politicians felt even more strongly after the rough and tumble of this election season.

While the only state level elections this year were special elections to fill vacancies, the tenor and outcomes of federal elections are likely to have an impact on how business is conducted in the 2017 session of the General Assembly beginning in January. If the extreme right is successful in this year's elections, those that are in the General Assembly may feel emboldened to continue to oppose taking federal health care monies, to adopt additional restrictions on abortions, and to pass laws that discriminate against LGBTQ citi-

zens. While Governor McAuliffe will still be around to wield his veto pen, there could be many protracted debates on social issues.

On the other hand, if Democrats are successful in capturing the presidency and one or both houses of Congress, moderate Republicans in Virginia may feel less need to insist on hard lines on many issues as we have seen in the past. After all, Virginia will elect a new governor and House of Delegates in 2017, and both parties will want to side with the prevailing political winds.

It is essential that all political leaders learn from this election

cycle and do what we can to help mend divisions in our state and in the nation. One thing we can do is listen. Senator Janet Howell and I will have our annual public meeting to talk with voters on Monday, Dec. 19, 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the Reston Community Center at Lake Anne Plaza. Come and tell us what is on your mind and offer your suggestions as to what we should do in the upcoming General Assembly session. Also, my constituent survey is on my website, www.kenplum.com, and I encourage you to complete it. After all, the elections are over: time to get back to work.

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30th Annual Northern Virginia Dementia Care Consortium Caregivers Conference, Friday, Nov. 11, 8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. The conference "Gems: A Treasure Chest of Ideas" will have speakers and resources on topics important to caregivers. The \$30 fee includes continental breakfast, lunch, materials, and certificate of attendance. First Baptist Church of Alexandria, 2932 King St., Alexandria. Find out more at www-fairfaxcounty.gov

gov/-olderadults and click on Caregivers Conference.

The **Fairfax Commission on Aging** meets on **Wednesday, Nov. 16, at noon** at the Kings Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Rd., Burke. The public is welcome to attend and join in the comment period that begins each session. Find out more at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/olderadultservices/coa.htm. Call 703-324-5403, TTY 711 for meeting access needs.

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The trade-in bread can be opened or unopened. All unopened outside loaves and all unused Great Harvest bread will be donated.

Great Harvest Bread Co in Burke is located at 6030 Burke Commons Road, Suite, G. In Lorton, Great Harvest is located at 9000 Lorton Station Boulevard. For more information visit www.greatharvestburke.com.

—TIM PETERSON

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Velvet pumpkins are a favorite holiday accessory of Courtney Thomas of The Picket Fence in Burke.

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Setting a Holiday Table

Local tastemakers offer suggestions for creating festive tablescape.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE CONNECTION

As Thanksgiving draws near, thoughts of table settings and holiday décor abound. In the midst of a flurry of activity — from shopping to chopping and roasting the perfect turkey to creating seating charts — it's easy to let holiday décor and tablescapes become an afterthought. The right accessories, however, can set the tone for a festive gathering.

"Decorating for the holidays in my house is always done with candles, fruit and flowers," said interior designer Gretchen Fuss of Gretchen Fuss Works of Art and Interior Design. It's "festive but simple."

Look to nature, advises Anne Walker of Anne Walker Interior Design, because some of the best holiday decorations are found not at a store, but in your own backyard. "Holly branches in a big

white vase make a beautiful centerpiece," said Walker. "Pinecones in a ceramic bowl or galvanized steel bin can add interest to any otherwise empty corner."

"Placing greenery in unexpected locations like a chandelier can also bring another interesting element to the tabletop," agreed Marika Meyer of Marika Meyer Interiors and Marika Meyer Textiles.

A local produce stand can also serve as inspiration for autumnal décor. Mini pumpkins, for example, can be used as place cards, suggests Courtney Thomas of The Picket Fence in Burke. "Simply write each guest's name on a small pumpkin or gourd and place at each seat," she said. "Finish off each place setting with a chocolate turkey tied up with a festive bow. [This] lets the food be the star."

Hollowing out a large pumpkin and using it as a

"Scatter gourds or acorns down the middle of the table and add some seasonal candles in your favorite candlesticks."

— Courtney Thomas of The Picket Fence in Burke

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An arrangement of wildflowers, such as this one by interior designer Anne Walker, adds a natural touch to a holiday tablescape.

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Fresh-cut holly branches and pumpkins are two items that interior designer Anne Walker uses to create a festive table.

vase to hold flowers for a centerpiece helps keep the autumnal theme consistent, she adds. "Keep things simple," said Thomas. "Scatter gourds or acorns down the middle of the table and add some seasonal candles in your favorite candlesticks."

She also recommends decorative pumpkins, especially velvet pumpkins: "Add some luxe to your Thanksgiving décor with velvet pumpkins. Made with stems from real pumpkins, each one is unique. Group a few on an entry table or sideboard or add some to your table décor."

An easy way to change up your everyday dinnerware and make a statement is to upgrade your salad plates. "An interesting salad plate sitting on top of your dinner plate can add a pop to your tabletop," said Meyer. "Custom napkins can also bring color or

pattern to the tabletop."

However, before purchasing new holiday décor, Walker advises editing what you already own. "Go through your holiday decorations with a keen eye, and weed out any that no longer bring you joy for whatever reason," she said. "Maybe they've gotten a bit old and worn or maybe they don't match the current style of your furnishings or maybe you've just grown tired of them."

Maybe your wreath has seen better days as well. In fact, one of the keys to holiday decorating, according to Meyer, is layering and it starts at the front door. "We love to dress a front door by flanking it with white poinsettias and a wreath for the door," she said. "Magnolia or boxwood wreaths are a perfect option to welcome your guests."

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ONGOING

Senior Line Dancing 1 - 2 p.m. Little River Glen Senior Center 4001 Barker Ct, Fairfax. Line Dancing is a gentle, social form of aerobic activity. Studies have shown it aids in warding off Alzheimer's disease. No previous experience needed. Cost: \$5 per 8 week session. barbriba@hotmail.com 703-524-3739

The Farmer's Market at Springfield Town Center. May 7-Nov. 19, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Through November. Corner of Spring Mall and Loisdale roads, Springfield. Enjoy fresh baked goods, produce, vegetables & fruits, meats & cheeses, and a host of other vendors. springfieldtowncenter.com.

Rudy Guernica Landscapes Exhibit Mon. - Sat 9 - 9 p.m. Sun. 9 - 8 p.m. Reston Community Center 2310 Coltz neck road, Reston. Through Nov. 30.

Fairfax Rotary Club Meeting. 12:15-1:30 p.m. Mondays. American Legion, 3939 Oak St., Fairfax. Meetings with luncheon and program. fairfaxrotary.org.

Carolina Shag. Wednesdays. 6:30-10 p.m. Arlington/Fairfax Elks Lodge, 8421 Arlington Blvd., Fairfax. Free lessons at 7:30 p.m. No partners needed. Dinner menu. \$8. Under 21 free. nvshag.org.

FUN-Exercise. Thursdays, noon-12:50 p.m. Grace Presbyterian Church Family Room, 7434 Bath St., Springfield. Inova certified exercise instructor leads a moderate level exercise class with music and current events conversation. Muscle, Balance, Strength Training using stretch bands and weights both standing and seated exercises. Instructor donation is \$5. moorefitt@yahoo.com or 703-

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Cafe Ivrit (Hebrew Cafe). Wednesdays. 8:15-9:15 a.m. Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia, 8900 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax. Shalom (hello) Did you always want to converse in Hebrew? Join Na'ama each week for conversational Hebrew. You will learn and practice Hebrew in a fun and interactive way while learning more about Israel. Free, however we ask that you try to attend regularly. RSVP Naama.Gold@jccnv.org.

Smoke Free Bingo (with breaks for smoking friends). 7 p.m. Every Friday. Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department, 4081 University Drive, Fairfax. Free coffee, entertaining callers, \$1,000 jackpot. www.fairfaxvd.com. 703-273-3638.

English Conversation Groups weekly at George Mason, Burke Centre, and Lorton Libraries Practice and improve your English. Day and start times vary. Visit: <https://va.evanced.info/fairfaxcounty/lib/eventcalendar.asp>

First Sunday Jazz Brunch 11 - 2 p.m. Recurring monthly on the 1st Sunday at Bazin's on Church 111 Church St N.W., Vienna. Enjoy brunch accompanied by the soft jazz sounds of Virginia Music Adventure. Visit: <http://www.fxva.com/listing/bazins-on-church/1686/>

Stories From Strawberry Park 10 - 11 a.m. Tuesdays in Mosaic - Strawberry Park 2910 District Avenue, Fairfax. Enjoy a live

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WEDNESDAY/NOV. 9

FCIA Network Meeting "How Fairfax County is Strengthening the Relationship Between Law Enforcement and the Community" 1 - 3:30 p.m. Audrey Moore Recreation Center Club Rooms 1 and 2 8100 Braddock Road Annandale. Please join us for our next Faith Communities In Action (FCIA) meeting which will provide a forum for discussion about how Fairfax County's Communities of Trust Committee is addressing relationships between law enforcement, other public safety representatives and the community. Our panel will include Shirley Ginwright of the NAACP and officials from within Fairfax County's law enforcement and public safety staff. This meeting will involve brief presentations from our panel, followed by a Q/A session with clergy and community members. Please note: The FCIA Network Meeting will NOT take place at the Government Center this November. Please register online via www.fairfaxcounty.gov via email at NCSInterfaith@fairfaxcounty.gov, or by calling 703-324-3453.

SATURDAY/NOV. 12

Third Annual Virginia Girls'

Summit 9 - 4 p.m. at George Mason University's Johnson Center in Fairfax. After two sold out years, She Rocks The World (SRTW) will be returning to host a day dedicated to fostering the power of girls' voices, the Summit is produced for 7th - 12th grade girls and their parents by the organization's 34 local Ambassadors and Leadership Team. Tickets are now available at www.sherockstheworld.org.

Icelandic Christmas Bazaar 10 - 3 p.m. American Legion Post 177, 3939 Oak Street, Fairfax. Icelandic candy, viking jewelry, books, hand woven rugs, wool sweaters, skin care products and more. Cost: Free. All are welcome. www.icelanddc.com

The Robinson Marketplace. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. 5305 Sideburn Road, Fairfax. Shop at over 80 vendors at the Holiday Market, raffle and silent auction sponsored by the Robinson Secondary School PTSA. Visit <http://www.robinsontpsa.org/marketplace.html>

Holiday Express Boutique Craft Sale, 10 - 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary of Sorrows Church Hall, 5222 Sideburn Rd, Fairfax. Handcrafted, one of a kind, decorator and gift items for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Sweet Shop, Chili lunch and Cafe (10-4), Silent Auction, Raffle, Questions? Call Lou: 703-426-8092. St. Mary's 703-978-4141.

American Festival Pops Orchestra at GMU 2 p.m. at GMU's Center for the Arts 4400 University Dr. Fairfax. The Orchestra will perform a Patriotic Salute to US Veterans. Performed by 60 of the D.C. metropolitan area's finest musicians, this program features patriotic favorites. Cost: \$50, \$43, \$30 <http://cfa.gmu.edu/calendar/227>

Jazz 4 Justice: A Tribute to the Greatest Generation. 8-10 p.m. at GMU Center for the Arts. The Mason Jazz Ensemble (dir. Jim Carroll) joins Ed Weiner, the Fairfax Law Foundation, and the Prince William County Bar Foundation to present Jazz 4 Justice™, an annual benefit concert with a special Veterans Day "Tribute to the Greatest Generation." Open jam session and reception to follow. Ticket available at cfa.gmu.edu \$20 adults, \$15 students/seniors.

SUNDAY/NOV. 13

An Afternoon with Ambassador Dennis Ross, 2 p.m. at Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia, 8900 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax. The discussion will be moderated by Ron Halber, Executive Director, JCRG of Greater Washington. Ross, a senior advisor to Presidents George H.W. Bush, Bill Clinton, and Barack Obama will discuss U.S. Middle East foreign policy challenges. In his newest book, "Doomed to Succeed," Ambassador Ross describes the past and present of America's policies towards Israel, from Truman to Obama's administration. Books will be available for sale and signing. Admission: \$18/ \$15 J member. Contact Carla.Rosenfeld@jccnv.org for information. www.jccnv.org.

The Fencers Club of Virginia Event for Service Members and Veterans noon - 2 p.m. How many pushups can you do in 90 seconds? Join The Fencers Club of Virginia on and Give Back to Veterans and Active Duty Military through the national

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Plan Ahead

FRIDAY/DEC. 2

My Gym Community Event 10:30 a.m. Burke Centre Library 5935 Freds Oak Rd, Burke, VA 22015. Develop your child's large motor skills with physical exercise and games. Funded by the Friends of Burke Centre Library. Age 1-3 years with adult. Visit: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/bc/>

SATURDAY/DEC. 3

Creative Writers Group 2 p.m. Burke Centre Library 5935 Freds Oak Rd, Burke, VA 22015. Do you enjoy writing fiction, poetry, non-fiction and/or memoirs? Join us for sharing, discussion and feedback of works in progress. Teen volunteer facilitates. Ages 13-18. Visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/bc/>

Holiday Book Sale 10 - 4 p.m. Burke Centre Library 5935 Freds Oak Rd, Burke, VA 22015. Peruse and shop a selection of gently used holiday-themed books collected by the Friends of the Burke Centre Library. Visit: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/bc/>
City of Fairfax Festival of Lights and Carols. Time TBA Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. Come enjoy live holiday music, hot cider, s'mores by the Yule log, petting farm, ferris wheel, caroling and lighting of the Christmas tree in the winter wonderland. Visit <http://www.fairfaxva.gov/about-us/special-events/festival-of-lights-and-carols> for times and locations.

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nonprofit Boot Campaign push up challenge. <https://www.crowdrise.com>

Guest Preacher St. Andrew's Episcopal Church 6 - 7:30 p.m. And Nov. 14 7 - 8:30 p.m. 6509 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. Come out for a special event at St. Andrew's with our guest preacher, The Rev. Ed Bacon, and music by the gospel choir group Roderick Giles & Grace. Cost: Free. www.standrews.net

SUNDAY/NOV. 15

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THURSDAY/NOV. 17

Historic Pohick Church Christmas Mart 10 - 2 p.m. 9301 Richmond Highway, Lorton. The Parish House and the Vestry House will be

transformed into a festive Christmas atmosphere with rooms filled with Attic Treasures, a Consignment Shop, fresh baked goods, homemade candy and apple butter, and frozen casseroles made by the women of Pohick Church. Booths will feature the work of artisans showcasing handmade jewelry, stained glass, Christmas decorations and many other crafts. Colonial-attired ladies will serve luncheon at three sittings—11:00 AM, 12:00 noon and 1:00 PM—the cost is \$12.00. The Docent Guild will be leading tours of the historic church and the Golden Dove Gift Shop will be open. Admission: free. www.pohick.org

Lunch N' Life 12 - 2 p.m. at The Church of the Good Shepherd, 9340 Braddock Rd, Burke. Are You 50 or Better? Please join us for the next Lunch N' Life sponsored by the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke. The guest speaker will be Paul Herbert, Author of Treason in the Rockies; Nazi Sympathizer, Dale Waple's POW Escape Plot. For reservations, call Bea Stephenson at 703-273-5730 by November 11th. The cost is \$10.00; checks payable to SCFB. If transportation is needed, call the SCFB office (703) 323-4788. www.scfbva.org



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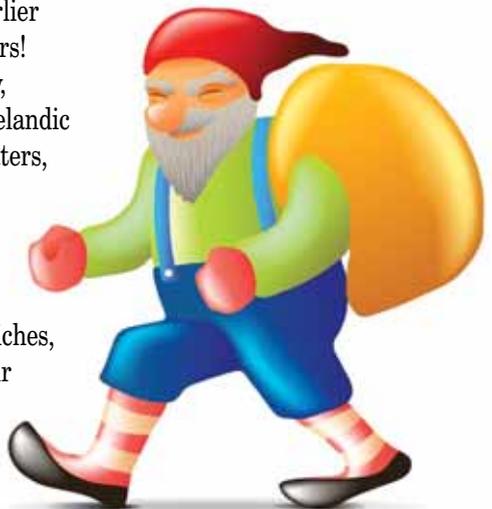
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'Crazy' Lines on Election Day Morning

Ipads, communication keep things moving quickly.

BY TIM PETERSON
THE CONNECTION

At 5:45 a.m., Colleen Dewing was queued up for a lifetime first: voting. The West Springfield High School senior needed to fulfill her civic duty early in order to take a shift right away at the senior class' annual bake sale outside the school.

"You hear, 'My vote doesn't count,'" around school, Dewing said. "But it's cool I can have say. Not a lot of people know what's being discussed, but you can make a difference locally. If you complain, you've got to vote."

Dewing said her teacher Mr Spicer encouraged her to register, and to know what she was voting for. Her dad also "made me research, the Meals Tax, the park bond."

As a result, she said, she wasn't anxious about the experience at all. "It was interesting," she said.

Dewing was one of about 156 people in line at West Springfield High School's precinct when the poll doors opened at 6 a.m. on Nov. 8.

"It was crazy," said chief election officer Allyn Hammel. "A lot of excitement, a lot of first-time voters. Everyone has been nice, even on their way to work."

By 10:17 a.m., Hammel said her team of election officers had already processed 1,280 in-person voters. She said the addition of new Ipad to help officers sign voters in sped up the process dramatically.

Around southern Fairfax County, election officials had similar experiences.

At Silverbrook Elementary School in Fairfax Station, assistant chief election officer Krystyna Kolesar said the opening line stretched from the school's entrance down around the building to the parking lot.

"It's been crazy busy," Kolesar said, "but good energy, very positive."

Chief election officer at Silverbrook Mary Brown said they kept the line for about an hour before things died down. But things moved smoothly and quickly thanks, she said, to what she saw as good communication from Fairfax County as to what voters needed to bring with them to the polls and what to expect when they arrived.



Harvey Lawson, Jr. of Springfield gets help from chief election officer Allyn Hammel pulling voter registration information.

At 6 at Robinson Secondary School in Fairfax, chief election officer Teri Ayers said there were 168 voters in line.

Ayers, with five years at her post, said the advanced search capabilities and covering for misspellings afforded by the check-in Ipad have "really seen a line cut-down."

By 11:30 a.m. with 1,656 voters processed, Ayers' operation still ran somewhat of a line. But she said she was still encouraged by their ability with the Ipad and paper ballots to move people through the process quickly.

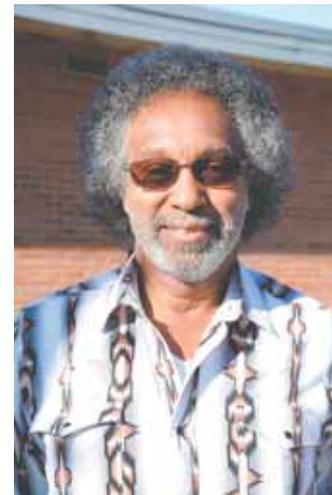
Outside the Robinson precinct, supervisor John Cook (R-Braddock) mingled with voters on one of several stops over the course of the day.

Cook said his impression of the election day turnout and emotion was "all very positive."

"The ugliness is not reflected out here," he said. "It's festive, like it ought to be. That's a good sign."

Who did you vote for?
What mattered most to you in
this election? Did you support
the Meals Tax?

—TIM PETERSON



Winston Marcus of Springfield

Voted for Clinton, supported the Meals Tax. "I voted because of her experience, and the opportunity to participate in another first for this great nation. In favor of the Meals Tax, I think we're fortunate to live in a county that provides so much for so many. For these important programs and services, it's worth having a little money come out of my pocket."



Colleen Dewing, West Springfield senior

Voted for Clinton, supported the Meals Tax. "She was more open to the younger population. She reached out, made more of an effort."



Ben Ellison of Burke

Voted for Trump, did not support the Meals Tax. "I wanted Joe Biden. Then WikiLeaks showed too much, how the media helped [Clinton], how there's corruption from the Democratic National Committee. With Obamacare, I've lost three healthcare plans because of premiums and deductibles going up. I oppose the Meals Tax — the county has passed raises, increased pensions, and it's clear we have a spending problem over a revenue problem."



Ishrat Hossain with her son Shair, both of Burke

Voted for Clinton, supported the Meals Tax. "Race relations, education and healthcare mattered to me. Obamacare was OK, and she has a concept of fixing it."

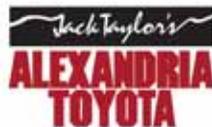
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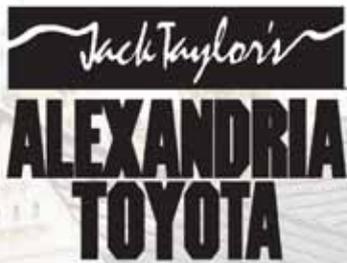
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According to the Lease by and between Barbara Franceschi (of unit 1069) and TKG-StorageMart and its related parties, assigns and affiliates in order to perfect the Lien on the goods contained in their storage unit, the manager has cut the lock on their unit and upon cursory inspection the unit was found to contain: totes, bed, furniture, home decor, ect. Items will be sold or otherwise disposed of on Friday November 18, 2016 @ 12:00pm at 11325 Lee Hwy Fairfax VA 22030 to satisfy owner's lien in accordance with state statutes.

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TUESDAY/DEC. 6

Board of Supervisors' Public Hearing: at 4:30 p.m. To subscribe to other Fairfax County electronic mailing lists, click the link below and follow instructions given: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/email/lists/> Thank you for your interest in the Fairfax County Zoning Ordinance. Should you have questions, please contact the Zoning Administration Division at 703-324-1314.

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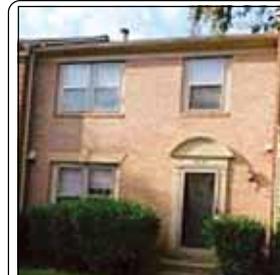
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