

# After the Storm

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A tree uprooted by hurricane-force winds on Saturday, June 30, across from the City of Fairfax Town Hall at the corner of Armstrong Street and University Blvd.

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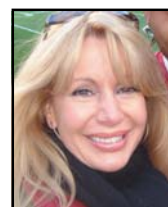
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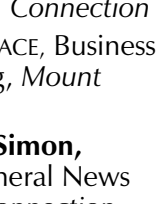
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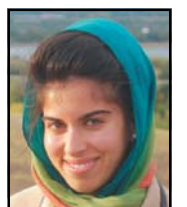
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**Tree crushes cars along Rt. 123 in Oakton. Storms uprooted mature trees, blew down limbs, brought down numerous power lines and also broke power poles.**

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## Storms Leave 2 Dead, Power Out

**At least two dead in Fairfax; 285,000 residents still without power after Friday night's hurricane force winds.**

BY KEN MOORE  
THE CONNECTION

**W**inds of more than 70 miles per hour swept through Fairfax County Friday night. Power went out as the storm blew into the area around 10:30 p.m. with hurricane force winds sounding like a freight train.

The sound made some residents think a tornado was upon them, and many took refuge in basements.

**THERE WERE AT LEAST TWO DEATHS** in Fairfax County, both in the West Springfield area.

A 27-year-old Burke man, Khiet Hguyen, died when a tree fell directly on top of his car on Old Keene Mill Road near Bauer Drive, according to Fairfax Police. He was declared dead at the scene of the accident.

A 90-year-old West Springfield woman who was lying in bed died when a tree fell on her home on Carr Street at 11 p.m. Friday night. Another person in the home called 911 but was unable to reach the woman. Police and fire and rescue units responded to the home, but they needed a construction crane and specialized tree removal equipment to continue the recovery operation.

On Saturday early morning, 429,868 of Dominion Power's Northern Virginia 831,900 customers were without power. Among those affected was the Fairfax County emergency 911 service.

The Fairfax County emergency 911 phone system was down around noon Saturday, according to the Fairfax County Emergency Alert system. "Many other forms of communications to include cellular, land line and texting are intermittent. If you have an emergency, we ask that you go to your local police or fire station for assistance," according to Fairfax County officials.

Emergency 911 service was working by Sunday,



PHOTO BY AMINA REHMATULLA/THE CONNECTION

**One person was killed while driving at the intersection of Old Keene Mill Road and Bauer Drive in Springfield.**

and police ask that residents call 911 only in a true emergency, and to call the Fairfax County non-emergency numbers, 703-691-7561 and 703-691-3680 to report less urgent public safety problems. These are not the numbers to call to report a power outage; call Dominion at 866-366-4357.

Many traffic signals are out throughout the region. In Fairfax County, 130 traffic signals were without power on Saturday, according to county officials, who remind drivers to treat any intersection with a dark signal as a four-way stop sign.

Residents who get their water from the Falls Church Water system in portions of Tysons, McLean, Vienna, Dunn Loring and Merrifield were advised to boil their water before drinking it. Multiple water pumping plants throughout the region were without power, leading to calls for water conservation.

It will take at least several days, possibly as long as a week, to restore power to most customers, Dominion power warned.

By Saturday night, there were about 340,000 Dominion customers in Northern Virginia still without power. By Sunday morning, that number was down to 285,000 households.

With temperatures predicted to be 100 degrees or greater, there were hyperthermia concerns about residents who are older or with disabilities.

**STORMS UPROOTED** mature trees, blew down limbs, brought down numerous power lines and also broke power poles.

Neighbors were urged to check on seniors and those with disabilities.

Call 911 for reports of "hot" or sparking electrical wires, especially those on roadways.

Call Dominion Power to report outages at 1-866-366-4357.



PHOTO BY VICTORIA ROSS/THE CONNECTION

**A worker feeds tree branches and stumps into a shredder in Fairfax on Saturday, June 30.**

## After the Storm

**Area residents cope with no power, no air-conditioning and soaring temperatures.**

BY VICTORIA ROSS  
THE CONNECTION

**M**ore than 80,000 residents were still struggling with power outages and triple-digit temperatures Monday after a wave of violent thunderstorms slammed the region Friday, June 29, packing hurricane-force winds that uprooted trees, downed power lines and knocked out power to more than 1 million homes.

The fast-moving line of thunderstorms rolled through the area without warning, surprising residents with 50-80 mph winds and wreaking havoc as trees toppled on homes and roadways.

"Fairfax County was especially hard hit. We are still struggling with widespread power outages and diminished landline phone communication," said Supervisor Jeff McKay, (D-Lee).

Shortly before 11 p.m. on Friday evening, fallen trees were blamed for the deaths of two people in the area. A 90-year-old Springfield woman died when asleep in bed after a tree crashed into her home 8100 block of Carr Street. At approxi-

mately the same time, a 27-year-old Burke man died when a tree fell directly on his car as he was driving on Old Keene Mill Road near Bauer Drive. Fairfax County police said Khiet Nguyen was pronounced dead at the scene of the crash.

"We had massive damage through the county, so Virginia Dominion Power has been busy trying to get to all of those sites," said Dave McKernan, Fairfax County's Emergency Management Coordinator.

"Trees down on wires prevent roads from opening because VDOT will not work those sites until they can confirm the power is off to those wires. Then we can get the trees out of the way and traffic moving again," McKernan said.

More than 80 intersections in Fairfax County remained without working traffic lights on Monday - including West Ox Road and Fair Lakes Parkway in Fairfax and Lorton Road and I-95 - causing numerous fender-benders and small collision, according to police. Officials urged motorists to obey 4-way stop rules at intersections without power.

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A 40-foot tree, uprooted by the storm, lands on a sidewalk at George Mason University on Saturday, June 30.



The Bonanno family enjoys ice-cream at the Sweet Frog in Lorton on Saturday, June 30. (From left) Kevin, Keith, Anderson, 4, Charles, 5, Ryan, 8, Carolyn and Anne, who lives in Burke.

# Area Suffers Massive Damage in a Tornado-like Storm

FROM PAGE 3

**BY MONDAY, JULY 2,** Dominion Virginia Power had restored power to approximately 600,000 of 831,000 customers in Northern Virginia, according to Carolyn Moss, a regional managing director for the utility.

"Friday's storm was the largest non-hurricane related outage in our company's 100-year history," Moss said, adding that Dominion Power expected to have all remaining service restored by Saturday.

In addition to widespread power outages, residents were also struggling with record-high temperatures. On Friday, temperatures reached 104 degrees - topping a record of 101 set in 1934 - and many homes were left without power and air-conditioning as the National Weather Service warned the heat index could reach 110 degrees later this week.

Fairfax County Executive Ed Long issued a statement Monday through Fairfax County's emergency blog saying there were "plenty of places to go to stay cool as weather is going to stay hot this week."

"While things have gotten significantly better since Friday, we are still experiencing some difficulties," Long said. He urged residents without power to go to various "cooling sites" throughout the county, such as libraries, recreation centers and shopping malls.

"We're all optimistic that by the end of the week, things will be worked out and we're asking people to be patient," Long said.

## CITY FAIRFAX DECLARES STATE OF EMERGENCY

City of Fairfax officials announced a state of emergency Monday as more power crews arrived in the city to restore electricity to the 900 homes still without power, according to Mayor Scott Silverthorne.



McDonald's employees Ravinder Kaus and Colin Westfield said they were handing out Happy Meals left and right to hungry residents without power on Saturday, June 30.

"The number is down from 10,000 -plus on Saturday," Silverthorne said. "It's my hope that those without power will be restored by this evening."

According to Dominion Power, nearly 90 percent of city customers experienced a power outage after a wave of violent storms tore through the region Friday, June 29, downing power lines and trees.

Ken Rudnicki, the city's emergency coordinator, said city officials declared a state of emergency, effective June 29, after determining that "resources were overwhelmed."

"Basically, we're making sure our ducks are in line to get federal assistance when and if it becomes available," Rudnicki said, adding that declaring "a state of emergency" allows the city to streamline procedures to obtain equipment and services needed for clean-up.

"Let's say we needed a bulldozer. Normally, we'd have to go through (extensive) permitting process. Under the declaration, if we need a bulldozer we get a bulldozer," Rudnicki said.

Silverthorne said the City's Fireworks cel-



College student Tiana Hoffer of Burke at the Burke Centre Starbucks on Saturday, June 30.

ebration, which draws nearly 20,000 people from all over Fairfax County, is still on.

"I think we all need something good to celebrate, but I'm hoping this will all be cleared up by tonight or tomorrow," Silverthorne said.

## BURKE: HAPPY MEALS, STARBUCKS AND FUEL

On Saturday evening at Burke Centre Shopping Center, fast-food restaurants and gas stations were jammed with cars.

"It's been crazy busy today. Kids are happy we're open, and people don't seem too stressed," said Ravinder Kaus, a McDonald's cashier.

Several gas stations in Burke and Fairfax ran out of gas and were shuttered by early Saturday afternoon, but the Burke Centre Exxon station was open for business, and a long line of cars wrapped around the gas station Saturday evening. Several motorists expressed frustration at the nearly hour-long wait for gas.

"This is just too long," said Fairfax resident Tim Kellin, who was pumping gas in the sweltering heat after waiting in line for 45 minutes. He said he had been to several closed gas stations before finding the Burke Exxon open at 6 p.m. "I don't think you can

print the rest of what I have to say."

Steven Goodheart, a meteorology student at George Mason University, decided not to wait for gas, and headed for the Starbucks in the shopping center. "We saw the storm coming last night," said Goodheart, who lives on Popes Head Road. "The winds were changing direction very fast, which is not a good sign." He said the power was still out at his home, and he planned to stay with a cousin in Woodbridge for the weekend.

Burke resident Alex Miegel, who grabbed coffee and pastry at the Starbucks, said his power came on about 3 p.m. "We were very lucky. What

was weird (about the storm) was that it didn't last that long, but there were major winds. It felt like intense, and then you see all this damage."

Tiana Hoffer, a college student home for the summer, sat outside the Starbucks, sipping coffee and working on a research project. She said power was still out at her family's home in Burke. "I'm here to mooch off their wi-fi," she said, joking. "My mom was definitely freaked out by the storm last night. The lightning was non-stop."

On Monday, Supervisor John Cook (R-Springfield) said his office in the Kings Park Library was open after losing power during the weekend, but "our telephone connections are still spotty, so email may be the best way to reach us."

"All of us on the Braddock team send out our condolences to the families of those who have lost their lives or those who suffered injuries from the storm, including two fatalities in the Braddock District. You and your families are in our thoughts and prayers," Cook said.

Cook said his house suffered minor damage, but he viewed significant damage to homes across the district. "We're here to help in whatever way we can," he said.

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## NEWS

# Clean-up Begins

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### SPRINGFIELD CLEAN-UP

Like many neighborhoods throughout the county, sidewalks and roads in West Springfield neighborhoods were littered with broken limbs, branches and other debris.

Manuel Carara with Advanced Landscaping in Springfield said he worked for nearly 10 hours on Saturday hauling pieces of trees to trees to feed into the shredder.

"I've never seen so much damage from one storm," Carara said. "We've had dozens of calls since early this morning."

Since Friday's storm, Supervisor Pat Herry (R-Springfield) has issued frequent storm updates in his blast e-newsletter The Herry Report. On Monday, he sent out a list of updated road and municipal closings, as well as resources for residents.

"It is supposed to be hot today," Herry said, "so please continue to check on your neighbors, and as always, our office is open to you should you need to get out of the heat."

### LORTON: ICE-CREAM & JAZZ

Around 7 p.m. on Saturday, members of the Bonanno family were enjoying ice-cream at Sweet Frog Ice Cream Parlor at the Shoppes at Lorton Valley.

"Our power went out about 10:20 last night," said Kevin Bonanno. "We heard this terrible wind first, like a moaning sound. We live in a townhouse, and I thought 'Geez, are we going to get blown away? If the rain hadn't cooled things off, it would have been a sauna in the house.'"

Bonanno said there was a run on ice at the grocery store, but he had not encountered too many other problems.

"All the fast-food restaurants were busy, but at least we're here together," Bonanno said.

At the Lorton Workhouse Arts Centre, the band Chopteeth Afrofrunk was getting ready to perform Saturday around 7:30 p.m. during Mount Vernon nights, a series of free concerts.

"We ready to chase away the stormy blues..." said sax player Mark Gilbert, looking up at the darkening skies, as a few drops of rain began to fall "...at least between this storm and the next one."

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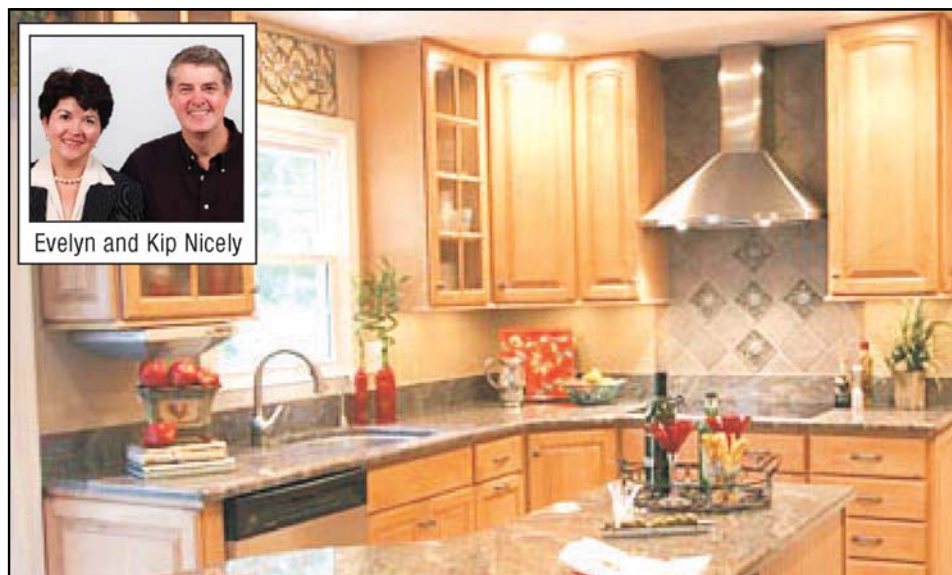
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# New Laws, Assault on Freedom?

**Voting restrictions, abortion restrictions, DUI restrictions, fewer gun restrictions, more go into effect July 1.**

A plethora of new laws will go into effect in the Commonwealth on July 1, including restrictive new procedures for voting, and the loosening of multiple gun regulations.

Drivers convicted of driving while very intoxicated and anyone convicted of DUI for the second time will now be required to have ignition locks installed on their vehicles which will check their blood alcohol levels and keep them from driving if they have been drinking. Hopefully this technology will keep drunk drivers from getting behind the wheel.

Women seeking abortions will be required to have a sonogram 48 hours before the abortion. The debate over this bill was one of the most publicized pieces of state legislation in the nation, and the focus of many jokes, protests and outrage. But still the bill passed and the Governor signed it into law.

Voters will be required to present identification, and if they arrive at the polling place without identification, they will cast a provisional ballot that will only be counted if the voter attends a meeting of the electoral board the next day to present his or her identification. Previously signing an affidavit swearing to your identity was sufficient.

Fortunately, your concealed weapons permit will count as your voter identification. But the law provides less sanction for carrying your concealed weapon without having your concealed weapons permit in your possession (\$25 civil fine) than for not having your identification to vote in your possession (disenfranchised, your vote is not counted).

These two provisions, counting concealed weapons permit as voter identification and limiting the penalty for not having your permit with you while carrying your concealed weapon, were just a few of the laws passed that lessen restrictions on guns in commonwealth. Some examples, effective July 1: Eliminate the prohibition on purchasing more than one handgun in a 30-day period (there are no limits now); provide that nothing in the Emergency Services and Disaster Law shall limit or prohibit the otherwise law-

ful possession, carrying, transportation, sale, or transfer of firearms; provide that any locality that participates in any gun-buyback program offer the firearms acquired for sale by public auction or sealed bids to a person licensed as a dealer; allow local government employees to store a lawfully possessed firearm and ammunition in a locked private motor vehicle; remove the option for a locality to require that an applicant for a concealed handgun permit submit fingerprints as part of the application.

And something that will affect all of us, although it does not go into effect until September 2013, a new law that will require Virginians to pay sales tax on purchases from Amazon. This is only fair to local retailers.

The Virginia General Assembly enacted more than 700 new laws in 2012, many of them worthy of discussion.

## Independence Day Coverage Online, Next Week

This week's Connection papers were printed on Monday and Tuesday July 1-2 because of the timing of the July 4/Independence Day holiday.

On Monday, at least half of our readers were still without power after Friday night's 80-mile-per-hour wind storm, and at our office, we are coping with intermittent power and related computer problems. Our website has been updated with storm information, [www.ConnectionNewspapers.com](http://www.ConnectionNewspapers.com), and our twitter accounts kept followers up to date during the aftermath.

While the hard copy of our papers won't get to readers until after the Wednesday holiday,

those papers will not include coverage of independence day events, which will hopefully all be held despite the ongoing cleanup.

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Fourth of July Celebration

To the Editor:

As a former federal worker with 11 years of service at the Department of Defense, the Fourth of July is an important day for me. Since the dawn of our nation, federal workers have played a significant role in America's achievements.

The contributions of federal workers will be very much in evidence this week as Americans prepare to celebrate our nation's birthday. Millions of Americans will check a weather report prepared by the National Weather Service, grill meat inspected by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and fly in skies kept safe by the Federal Aviation Administration and the Transportation Security Administration. Others will enjoy time outdoors in our National Parks, travel with children protected by car seats inspected by the Consumer Product Safety Commission, and visit post offices to mail letters and packages to loved

ones serving in the military.

My fellow federal workers and I are proud of the jobs we've done for America for the last 236 years. We wish you, and the nation we love, a happy Independence Day.

**Lawrence Goldschmidt**  
Springfield

## Carbon Monoxide Alarms Can Help Prevent Tragedies

To the Editor:

Four adults and five children were hospitalized on June 14 after experiencing the effects of carbon monoxide poisoning in their apartment in Oakton. Luckily, these lives were saved, but this isn't always the case.

Carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning is the leading cause of accidental poisoning deaths in America. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, CO

poisoning causes more than 400 deaths and 20,000 emergency department visits in the U.S. annually.

Often called the "silent killer," CO is produced anytime a fuel is burned. Potential sources include gas or oil furnaces, water heaters, space heaters, clothes dryers, barbecue grills, fireplaces, wood-burning stoves, gas ovens, generators, and car exhaust fumes. When these appliances malfunction or are used improperly, CO poisoning may occur.

The National Fire Protection Association reports that nearly 89 percent of reported non-fire CO incidents take place at home. Having a working carbon monoxide alarm is the only safe way to detect this poisonous gas, so now is the time to install CO alarms or make sure your current alarms are updated.

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## Two Die in a Crash in Fairfax Area

On Thursday, June 28 around 6 p.m., police responded to a crash on Braddock Road near Shirley Gate Road.

Christopher Cobb, 54, of 4100 Addison Road, was driving eastbound on Braddock Road in a 2007 Nissan Murano. A 38-year-old Melissa Myers, 38, of Narragansett Terrace was driving westbound on Braddock Road in a 2011 Toyota Highlander. A 57-year-old man was also driving westbound on Braddock Road in a 2007 Pontiac Vibe. Near the intersection with Shirley Gate Road, Cobb crossed the median and drove into oncoming traffic, striking the Toyota Highlander. The Toyota was propelled into the path of and struck by the Pontiac Vibe.

Cobb died at the scene. Myers was airlifted to a local hospital with life-threatening injuries. She died from the injuries sustained in a crash two days later. The 57-year-old man was transported to a local hospital with non life-threatening injuries.

All seatbelts were in use. Speed and alcohol do not appear to be factors in the crash at this time. Investigation continues.

## Public Transit Meeting Set

The Fairfax County Department of Transportation is conducting the Countywide Transit Network Study to determine the type of transit systems needed to accommodate forecasted growth throughout the county over the next several decades. A public meeting will be held Monday, July 16, in rooms 9 and 10 of the county Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway in Fairfax. It'll run from 6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m., with a 20-minute presentation at 7 p.m.

The study will develop recommendations for where Metrorail should be extended, where streetcar or light-rail systems are appropriate, and where dedicated lanes that allow buses to move faster could go. It will also recommend how the system may be phased in and funded over time.

Area residents are encouraged to attend the meeting or a workshop to discuss the study purpose and scope and schedule and help refine proposed study goals and objectives. They may also help identify possible modifications to the Comprehensive Plan designation of Enhanced Public Transportation Corridors.

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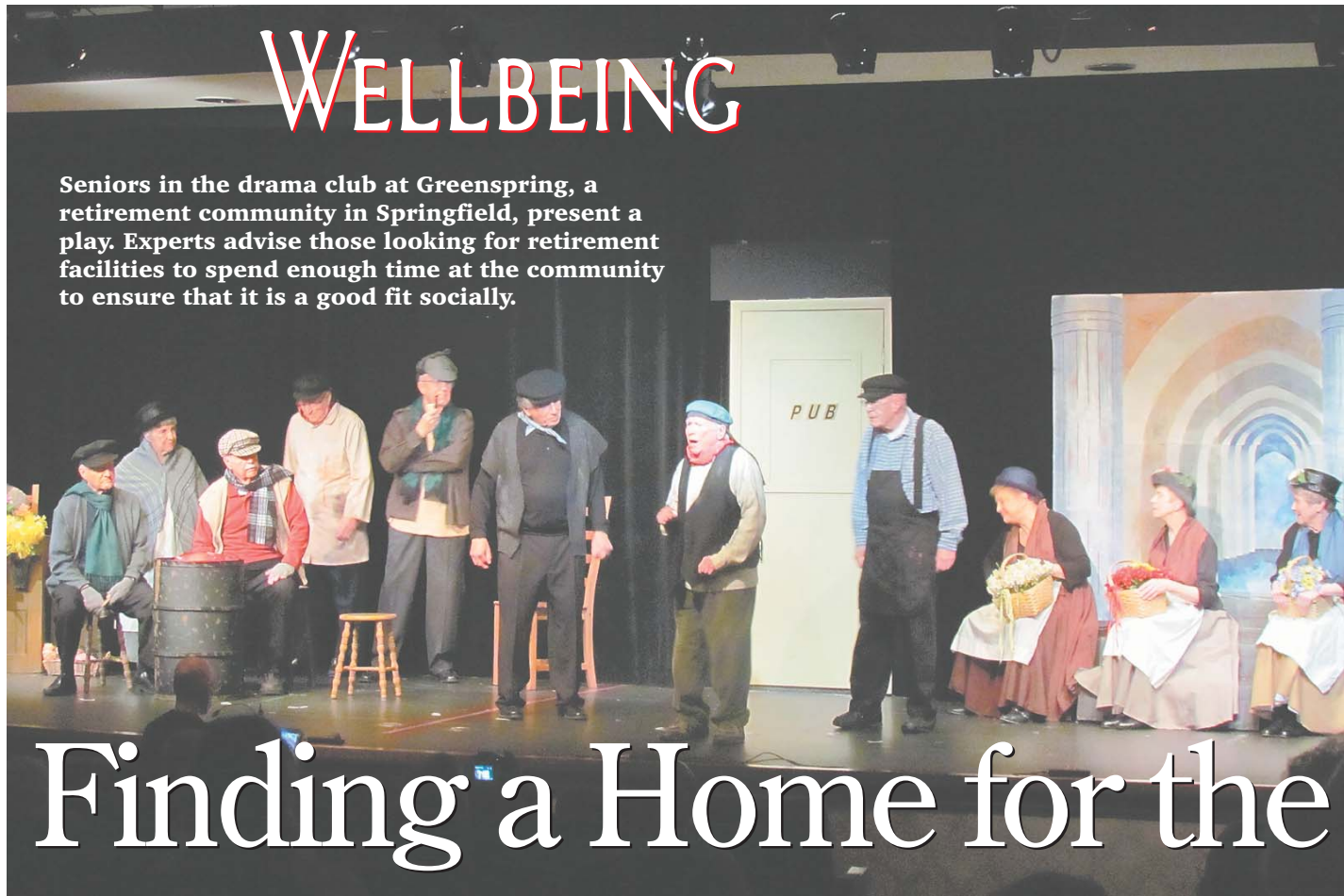
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Seniors in the drama club at Greenspring, a retirement community in Springfield, present a play. Experts advise those looking for retirement facilities to spend enough time at the community to ensure that it is a good fit socially.

# Finding a Home for the Golden Years

## Experts offer advice on choosing a retirement community.

By MARILYN CAMPBELL  
THE CONNECTION

When Jim Upp's wife Jeannie died in 2006, the Fairfax senior citizen found himself surrounded by a lifetime of memories in the spacious home where the couple had raised three children.

"We lived on a one-acre lot with plenty of trees all by ourselves," said Upp. "I was alone, and there was a large house and an acre of land to take care of. It took me about five days to realize that wasn't where it wanted to spend the rest of my life."

Upp moved to a retirement community, which he called a one-stop center for medical care, activities from bowling to television production, and socializing with people with similar backgrounds.

"I did not know a soul when I came here, but I know hundreds of people now," said Upp. "There are more than 200 activities here on campus. There are five or six doctors here everyday. If I have a problem, I can just go down and see a doctor anytime."

**WHILE UPP'S TRANSITION** was uncomplicated, methodical and borne out of a self-made decision, other moves are not so seamless.

Deciding that one can no longer live alone, selling a house that has been a home for decades and relo-

cating to retirement facility can be an emotionally charged and physically challenging feat. Recognizing the warning signs that a change might be necessary and developing a plan can help make the move less complicated.

"There is usually a crisis that bring someone into a facility," said Catharine A. Kopac, Ph.D., a certified geriatric nurse practitioner and chair of the graduate nursing program at Marymount University in Arlington. "Often the family gets no counseling and the move is made in a hurry."

Knowing when it is time to transition to a professionally run living environment is a decision with which many struggle. Gerontology professionals say there are a few red flags. Topping the list is the risk of vulnerability. "Is the person safe?" asked Andrew Carle, executive-in-residence, at George Mason University's Program in Senior Housing Administration. "Are they are on [multiple] medications and it's hard for them to manage? Are they at risk for falling or do they have Alzheimer's and are at risk of wandering?"

If the answer to any of these questions is "yes," it might be time to move. An inability to perform daily activities such as eating, bathing and driving is another indicator.

**Herndon resident Andrew Carle of the George Mason University's Program in Senior Housing Administration recommends visiting at least three retirement communities before selecting one to call home.**

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**SELECTING THE RIGHT TYPE** of facility requires knowing the choices: independent living, assisted living and nursing homes.

Independent living is generally regular housing specifically designed for seniors whereas residents at assisted-living facilities can get aid with daily activities such as bathing and medication management. They often include kitchens, but meals and transportation to medical appointments and other errands are usually provided as well.

"Many people don't understand the difference between a nursing home and assisted living," said Carle. "Unless a person is bedridden, they probably don't need a nursing home."

Identifying a person's specific needs and finding a facility that is equipped to meet those requirements is vital. "If one needs any rehabilitation, then you would want to choose a facility that offers rehab services or therapy," said Dr. Jean Glossa, M.D., medical director for Fairfax County Community Health Care Network and Molina Healthcare. "If one has dementia or Alzheimer's disease, then you would want a facility that has trained and experienced staff in working with patients who suffer from either disease."

Geriatric care specialists, who can be found through the National Association of Geriatric Care Managers, can help assess a person's needs and help match him or her with an appropriate community. The Assisted Living Federation of America is another source for information on facilities, and experts recommend visiting [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov) when looking for a nursing home.

"CMS [Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services] has the Nursing Home Compare website, which provides basic data about nursing homes, including staffing, past violations in recent surveys by the licensing agency, quality measures and more," said Glossa.

Experts say it is important to visit multiple communities before making a decision: "You should always tour at least three," said Carle, who lives in Herndon. "It is like test driving a car. You don't just test one car and buy it."

Meet those who run the facility. "A community is only as good as its administrator," said Carle. "Have the administrator give you a tour. It doesn't matter if the facility has a glass chandelier or a baby grand piano. As you're walking around, if the administrator doesn't know their own employees or residents, that would tell you a whole lot more than any brochure would. Families should look for an administrator who clearly has a love for seniors."

When meeting the staff at retirement facilities or nursing homes, there are key questions to pose. "Ask about the longevity of the staff and the average years of employment in the facility, the community's philosophy on aging in place, transition expectations as

the person declines and needs additional services," added Karen Boyce, the administrator at Renaissance Gardens at Greenspring in Springfield. She also recommends staying for lunch or another activity "to experience the sense of community, and staff interactions with other residents and each other."

**LOCATION AND ACTIVITIES** are other key considerations. "Is the facility close to family?" said Dave DeClark, director of marketing at Vinson Hall in McLean. "Is it close to a social network or former business associates? Is it in a geographic location that they find desirable?"

DeClarke suggests contemplating social aspects. "What type of environment would the individual or the couple really thrive in? What are their outside friends like? What are some of the things that they used to do and would like to continue doing?"

The cost of the facility is important too. "Discussing payment methods in advance also helps alleviate financial issues in the future," said Glossa. "If you or your family member has Medicaid or Medicare, make sure the facility accepts residents on either or both programs."

Experts say such moves require sensitivity and planning. "Don't take control. Leave control in the hands of the elder like when to move, what to take, what to buy new, all the details, no matter how long it takes or how weird it may sound to you," counseled Potomac resident Linda Berg-Cross, Ph.D., a professor of psychology at Howard University.

Carle added that guilt is a com-

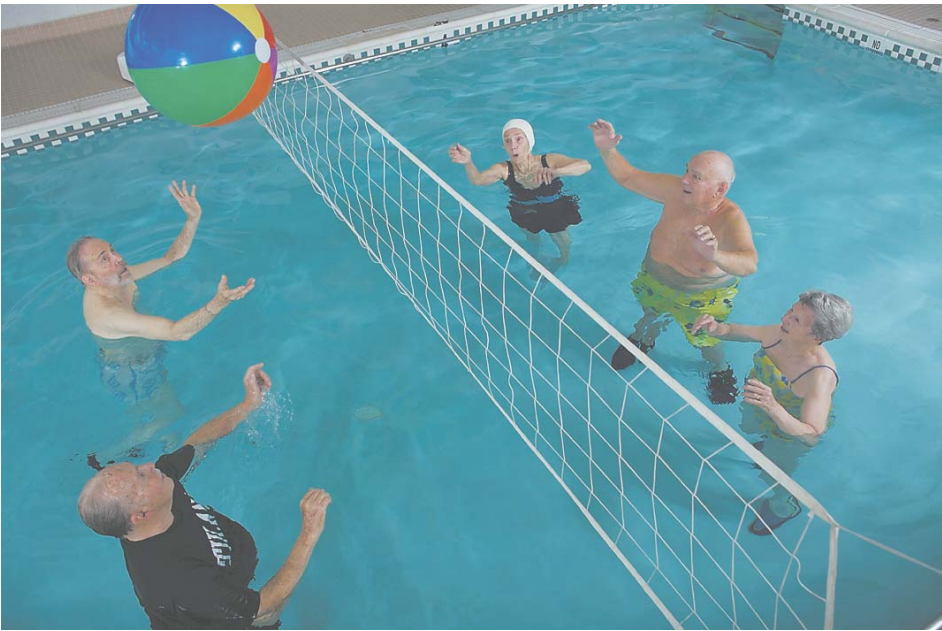


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Residents at Vinson Hall McLean, participate in water sports. Experts say many people would be happier in an assisted living facility, where they have activities and friends, than they are living alone.



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Jim Upp displays his late wife's paintings at an arts fair at Greenspring, a retirement community in Springfield. Upp downsized from a large home to an independent living facility after his wife died. "I did not know a soul when I came here, but I know hundreds of people now. There are more than 200 activities here," he said.

mon barrier to assisted living or nursing home placement. "Many people feel that they should be taking care of their parents," said Carle. "But families need to be honest with themselves and understand that the world is different

and friends than they would be living all by themselves. We should look at this as helpful and not something to feel guilty about."

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## FRIDAY/JULY 6

**Elizabeth Mitchell.** 10:30 a.m. Filene Center, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. Smithsonian Folkways Recordings artist. \$8-\$10 at 1-877-WOLFTRAP or www.wolftrap.org/TITW.

**Alte Kameraden.** 7 p.m. Fairfax City Old Town Plaza, 3955 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax.

## SATURDAY/JULY 7

**Country-Western Dance.** Accotink Unitarian Universalist Church, 10125 Lakehaven Ct., Burke. Line dance lesson at 7:30 p.m.; couples dance lesson at 8 p.m. Open dancing from 8:30-11p.m. NVCWDA members \$10; non-members \$12; children under 18 accompanied by a paying adult \$5; PSDC members \$10. 703-860-4941.

**Brain Training Center's Grand Opening and Open Classes.** 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Power Brain Training Center, 3903 Fair Ridge Dr, Suite 217, Fairfax. Experience fitness, focus and fun through physical, cognitive and relaxation exercises. 703-359-7282 or info@powerbrainedu.com.

**Wolf Trap Opera Company: Don Giovanni.** 7 p.m. Wolf Trap Center for the Performing Arts, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. Preshow talk one hour before performance. www.wolftrap.org.

## SUNDAY/JULY 8

**Murder Mystery Brunch at Trummers.** 12 p.m. 7134 Main Street, Clifton. \$58/person. 703-266-1623.

## TUESDAY/JULY 10

**Coal Train Railroad.** 10:30 a.m. Filene Center, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. A Nashville, Tennessee ensemble takes children and families into the world of jazz. \$8-\$10 at 1-877-WOLFTRAP or www.wolftrap.org/TITW.

**Meet the Author: Kimberly "Kimba" Dalferes.** 7 -8:30 p.m. Join local author for a reading of fun and quirky stories from her book "I Was In Love With a Short Man Once." Adults. Burke Centre Community Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road. http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/events/meettheauthor/

## WEDNESDAY/JULY 11

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**Big Head Todd & The Monsters.** 7

p.m. Filene Center, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. With Ben Harper, Los Lobos, JJ Grey & Mofro, The Lumineers, North Mississippi Allstars, The Wood Brothers, James McCurtry, David Lindley, Nathaniel Rateliff, Matthew Curry and more. \$30-\$75. 703-255-1900 or www.wolftrap.org.

**Summer Extravaganza: Dog Days of Summer.** 6 p.m. Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 5114 Twinbrook Road, Fairfax. Canine musical freestyle dogs, music, and hot dogs. Free. erodgers@lordoflifeva.org

## THURSDAY/JULY 12

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**CFB Children's Concert.** 7:30 p.m. Veterans Amphitheatre, 10455 Armstrong St, Fairfax. Annual summer children's concert featuring free ice cream, instrument petting zoo, children's parade and more.

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**Brain Training Center's Grand Opening and Open Classes.** 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Power Brain Training Center, 3903 Fair Ridge Dr, Suite 217, Fairfax. Experience fitness,

focus and fun through physical, cognitive and relaxation exercises. 703-359-7282 or info@powerbrainedu.com.

## SUNDAY/JULY 15

**Wolf Trap Opera Company: From Bel Canto to Can Belto.** 3 p.m. Wolf Trap Center for the Performing Arts, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. Recital with Steven Blier and singers from the 2012 Wolf Trap Opera Company. Preshow talk one hour before performance. www.wolftrap.org.

**Train Display.** 1-4 p.m. 11200 Fairfax Station Road in Fairfax Station. The Northern Virginia NTRACK members will have a display and N gauge trains running at the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum. Adults \$3, children \$1. www.fairfax-station.org or 703-425-9225.

## MONDAY/JULY 16

**Children's Music Performance Series.** 10:30 a.m. Old Town Hall, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. First and third Mondays of each month. Free admission. 703-352-2787 or www.fairfaxarts.org.

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**Rani Arbo & daisy mayhem.** 10:30 a.m. Filene Center, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. A blend of blues, swing, and country that incorporates everything from a ukulele and banjo to a cardboard box and suitcase. \$8-\$10 at 1-877-WOLFTRAP or www.wolftrap.org/TITW.

**Wilco with Lee Ranaldo Band (of Sonic Youth).** 7 p.m. Filene Center, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna. \$45 in-house, \$35 lawn. www.wolftrap.com.

## WEDNESDAY/18

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Pictured are Anna Maria Fitzhugh chapter member Nancy Tarlano, a retired Lake Braddock teacher; Cadet Kateri J. OHare who received the DAR Bronze ROTC Medal, and National Defense Committee member Sandy Todd.

## DAR Recognizes Local Area Students

Anna Maria Fitzhugh Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, recently presented several awards at local schools.

Gloria Williams, senior at Lake Braddock Secondary School, received the DAR Good Citizens Award. Gloria will be attending the University of Virginia where she will study chemical engineering. Gloria was also selected the Good Citizen Award winner for DAR District V which is composed of 28 DAR chapters in Northern Virginia. The DAR Good Citizen Award recognizes a high school senior who exhibits dependability, service, leadership and patriotism to an outstanding degree.

Cadet Kateri J. OHare of Lake Braddock Secondary School received the DAR Bronze ROTC Medal. The award is presented to one outstanding cadet in the school ROTC unit. Kateri plans to attend college in Texas.

The DAR Good Citizenship Medal was presented to one outstanding sixth grader at 11 local elemen-

tary schools. The winners have exhibited service, courage, honor, leadership and patriotism.

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More than 200 guests attended the swearing-in ceremony for the City of Fairfax Mayor, Council and the City of Fairfax School Board on Wednesday, June 27 at the City Hall Veteran's Amphitheater.

Mizvho Akiba and son Peyton, 8, on Amphitheater lawn of the City of Fairfax Boy Scout Troop 1113 watch the ceremony. The Troop participated in the ceremony by leading the crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance and performing the changing of the colors.

# Silverthorne Sworn In as City of Fairfax Mayor

Promises diversity, accountability as city moves forward with economic growth.

Speaking at swearing-in ceremony, R. Scott Silverthorne promised to recognize and reflect the city's growing diversity as he became the 10<sup>th</sup> person to serve as mayor of the City of Fairfax on Wednesday, June 27.

"It's no secret that our community continues to diversify," Silverthorne said, before 200 guests during the outdoor ceremony held at the Veteran's Amphitheater.

"When (former) Mayor Rob Lederer graduated high school, our minority population was just over 2 percent. When I graduated high school ten years later, the minority population was 8 percent. Today, it's 40 percent," Silverthorne said, noting that in the Fairfax County school system, more than 100 languages are spoken.

"I believe we have turned a blind eye to this trend – a trend we must not ignore. As mayor, I will do all within my power to see that every citizen of the city has an equal opportunity to participate fully in our community," Silverthorne said, adding that, as a first step, he would ask the city council to diversity on its boards and commissions to "accurately reflect the community."

**SILVERTHORNE**, a former city council member, won the seat his father - former Mayor Frederick W. Silverthorne - occupied from 1978 to 1982.

"My father taught me the importance of public service, and that you have no right to complain if you're sitting on the sidelines. It is not lost on me, that I'm assuming the office of mayor a full 30 years following my father's departure from elected service,"



**R. Scott Silverthorne becomes the City of Fairfax's 10<sup>th</sup> mayor during his swearing-in ceremony on Wednesday, June 27 at the City Hall Veteran's Amphitheater. The oath of office was administered by Clerk of the Court John Frey. Former Mayor Rob Lederer (seated), Silverthorne's mentor, watches the swearing-in.**

Silverthorne said.

He noted that every city council member campaigned that a growing local economy is key to the City's long-term health, and that it was time to develop a citywide strategic plan and "perform a long overdue review of our city charter."

"I believe we have turned a blind eye to this trend (of diversity) ... As mayor, I will do all within my power to see that every citizen of the city has an equal opportunity to participate fully in our community."

— Mayor Scott Silverthorne

"I am asking each and every one of you – as business people, residents, and elected officials to help in this effort, to keep an open mind, and to keep eyes on the future of our City," Silverthorne said.

He also promised to focus energy on the redevelopment of Fairfax Boulevard and continue the progress in historic downtown.

"I will also urge the city council to pursue opportunities to streamline City government, including a top to bottom review of the regulatory burdens for starting or expanding a business," he said.

Silverthorne also thanked his mentor, retiring Mayor Rob Lederer, who served five terms.

He noted the city's accomplishments under Lederer's leadership, including the ranking by Forbes as the 3<sup>rd</sup> most "livable" community in America and the Gold Medal Award by the National Recreation and Parks Association – one of only four jurisdictions in Virginia to receive this prestigious award over the past 40 years.

"Well done Mr. Mayor," Silverthorne said. "I am very proud of our new city council tonight. You don't have to look far – only across the Potomac – to see how not to gov-

ern," Silverthorne quipped.

In addition to Mayor Silverthorne, members of City Council were sworn in including newcomer Michael DeMarco, and returning council members Daniel Drummond, Jeff Greenfield, David Meyer, Ellie Schmidt and Steve Stombres. The City of Fairfax School Board was also sworn in during the ceremony, including Chair Janice Miller, Jon Buttram, Tobin Sorensen, Carolyn Pitches and Mitch Sutterfield.

Attending the ceremony were Senator Chap Petersen (D-34), Delegate David Bulova (D-37) and former Mayor John Mason.

Silverthorne, a former 18-year council member, retired in 2008 after serving nine terms. In 2011, he was appointed to serve out the term of council member Joan Cross, who stepped down on June 28 for health reasons. She died one month later at age 68.

**AS MAYOR**, Silverthorne, presides over council meetings, has veto power that may be overridden by a two-thirds vote of the council, represents the city for ceremonial purposes and votes only to resolve ties. The City Council determines policy, enacts ordinances; levies taxes, adopts the budget, borrows money; provides for organizational conduct and operation of all departments, bureaus, boards, commissions, offices and agencies of the city; appoints the city manager and members of advisory boards and commissions.



# SPORTS



**Mantua Pool in Fairfax has a vibrant intramural program that takes place every week and is always accepting new players.**



**Six-year-old Logan Morris winds up for a backhand swing at Belle Haven Country Club in Alexandria.**

## Hitting on the Sweet Spot of Summer

One of the most beloved summer pastimes is all over Fairfax.

Tennis is everywhere in Fairfax this summer. As the weather starts heating up and the days get longer, more and more people are flocking to the courts to get their adrenaline fix, work on their backhand swing or just have fun with friends and neighbors. Whatever the reason people grab for their racquets it is clear that the opportunities for tennis players are everywhere. Many neighborhood facilities like The Fairfax Station Swim and Tennis Club offer camps and clinics for younger players for nominal weekly fees. Most prices range from \$100-\$150 per week and programs run from Memorial Day to late July. FSSTC also offers a Varsity Prep class for adolescent players looking to train for High School Teams and is admittedly “not for the faint hearted.”

Players looking for a more relaxed environment where they can play intramural-style matches can find adult single and double groups at almost every neighborhood facility in the area. Some facilities do require membership and entrance fees but this usually comes with access to a “court key” which gives players unlimited access to the courts within facility hours. Country Club facilities Such as Belle Haven



**One of the adult teams at Country Club of Fairfax poses for a picture during one of the summer tournaments.**

Country Club and Country Club of Fairfax offer special amenities such as clay courts and private lessons with professional coaches. However there are endless opportunities to have fun working on a top spin without breaking the bank. For more information and tennis-networking visit: <http://tennisopolis.com/group/fairfaxvirginia>.

— CAROLINE PAXTON



**Coach Rob leads a game of “King of The Court” during a junior tennis clinic at Fairfax Station Swim and Tennis Club in Fairfax Station.**



**After nine seasons at Mount Vernon, Robert Garza on July 2 was named head boys’ soccer coach at Robinson Secondary School.**

## Garza Takes Over Robinson Soccer

Coach leaves Mount Vernon for Robinson.

BY JON ROETMAN  
THE CONNECTION

In nine seasons, Robert Garza led the Mount Vernon boys’ soccer program to three National District championship game appearances, two district titles and a top-20 ranking in the ESPN.com national poll. The Majors reached the regional quarterfinals each of the last three years and proved capable of competing with best in the area.

Garza left his fingerprints on the Mount Vernon program. Now the 39-year-old coach is moving on to a new challenge.

Garza on July 2 was named head coach of the Robinson boys’ soccer team, replacing Jac Cicala, who retired at season’s end. The Rams captured the 2012 Northern Region championship before losing to Thomas Dale, 1-0, in the state quarterfinals. Robinson finished state runner-up in 2008, 2000 and 1987.

“It feels good, to be honest,” Garza said of taking over at Robinson. “I don’t know if bit-

tersweet is the right thing to say. Being at Mount Vernon for nine years, I hate to leave that program ... but this is an opportunity for me to take [the next step in] my coaching career.”

Garza’s Mount Vernon teams faced Robinson four times in the last three seasons, including three postseason matchups. In 2010, Robinson defeated Mount Vernon in the regional quarterfinals. In 2011, the Majors beat the Rams in the opening round of the regional tournament. In 2012, Mount Vernon won the teams’ regular season meeting, but Robinson responded with a victory via penalty-kick shootout in the regional quarterfinals.

“I’m looking forward to taking my style over there,” Garza said, referring to Mount Vernon’s use of speed, agility and forward-moving possession. “I’m looking forward to the next challenge. [Robinson is] in the toughest district (Concorde) in the state of Virginia. I’m looking forward to the challenge and the next step and bettering myself as a coach.”

Garza graduated from Hayfield in 1991 and played soccer collegiately at Liberty University and Marymount University. He’s a history teacher at Alice Deal Middle School in Washington, D.C.



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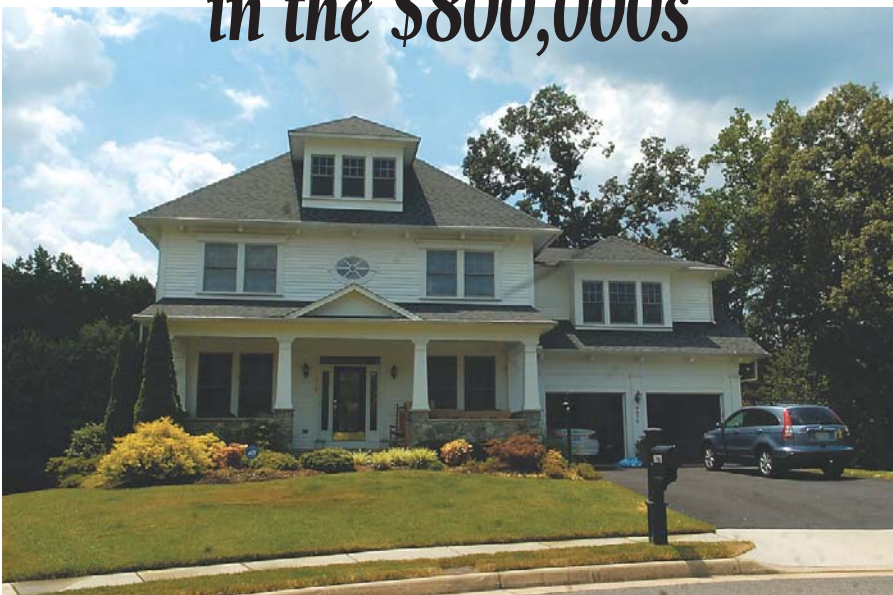


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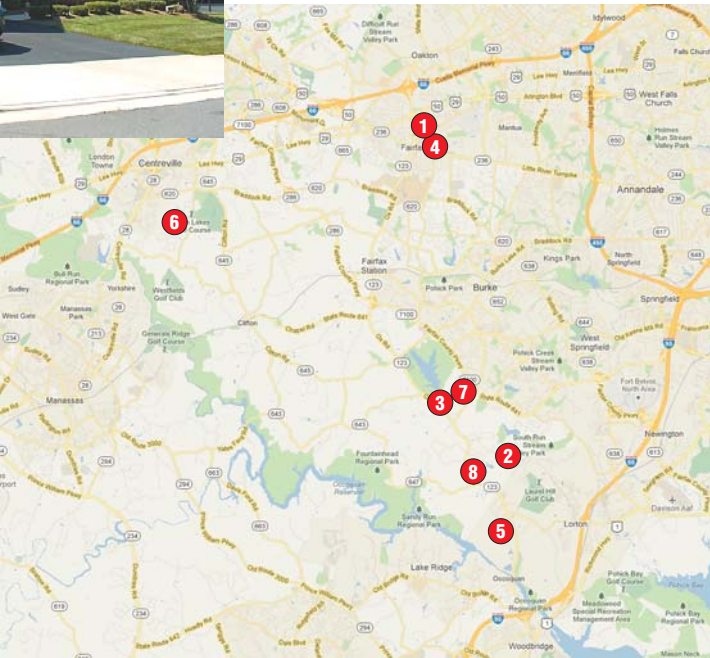
**5** 9113 Mariah Jefferson Court, Lorton — \$849,227



**8** 9622 Nuthatch Drive, Fairfax Station — \$800,000



**6** 6409 Deepwood Farm Drive, Clifton — \$839,000



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Address .....	BR	FB	HB	..	Postal City .....	Sold Price ...	Type .....	Lot AC	.	PostalCode .....	Subdivision .....	Date Sold
1 3831 FARR OAK CIR .....	5	..	4	.	1 FAIRFAX .....	\$877,500	....	Detached ..	0.11 .....	22030 .....	FARRCROFT .....	05/20/12
2 9079 EMMA ANN WAY .....	6	..	5	.	1 FAIRFAX STATION ...	\$876,500	....	Detached ..	0.25 .....	22039 .....	SILVERBROOK FARMS .....	05/30/12
3 9913 SHADY SLOPE CT .....	5	..	3	.	1 FAIRFAX STATION ...	\$875,000	....	Detached ..	0.58 .....	22039 .....	SOUTH RUN .....	05/14/12
4 10094 COVER PL .....	5	..	4	.	1 FAIRFAX .....	\$860,000	....	Detached ..	0.14 .....	22030 .....	FARRCROFT .....	05/04/12
5 9113 MARIAH JEFFERSON CT	3	..	4	.	1 LORTON .....	\$849,227	....	Detached ..	1.32 .....	22079 .....	OCCOQUAN PARK .....	05/25/12
6 6409 DEEPWOOD FARM DR ...	4	..	4	.	1 CLIFTON .....	\$839,000	....	Detached ..	0.26 .....	20124 .....	LITTLE ROCKY RUN .....	05/10/12
7 9743 ROLLING RIDGE DR .....	5	..	3	.	1 FAIRFAX STATION ...	\$820,000	....	Detached ..	0.62 .....	22039 .....	SOUTH RUN .....	05/04/12
8 9622 NUTHATCH DR .....	7	..	5	.	1 FAIRFAX STATION ...	\$800,000	....	Detached ..	0.22 .....	22039 .....	OAKS AT CROSSPOINTE .....	05/18/12