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(From left) the Tjahjana brothers, Keenan, 11, and Darren, 7, of Fair Oaks make themselves at home on an ambulance.

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Girlz, Girlz, Girlz—Girls, big and small, rocked out with the pop cover band on the Main Stage during the city's 36th annual Fall Festival on Saturday, Oct. 13.

City of Fairfax Hosts Fall Festival

More than 30,000 visitors enjoy arts, entertainment and more.

The weather could not have been more perfect for the 36th annual City of Fairfax Fall Festival on Saturday, Oct. 13. Under bright blue skies, and crisp fall temperatures, more than 30,000 visitors enjoyed headliner bands, amusement rides, three stages of entertainment, the always-popular arts & craft show, a parade and festival food for every palate.

Shoppers could peruse the wares and display of an A-to-Z list of more than 400 vendors—from American Heritage Girls and Barking Dog Gallery to My Daddy Puzzles and Yarn Chef Creations.

The Diggidy Dudes, Mr. Knick-Knack and Turley the Magician were just a few of the children's favorite entertainers during the day-long festival. The Old Town Hall parking lot was transformed into a children's paradise with crafts, face-painting, a petting zoo, balloon art and other fun.

For the "Bob the Builder" crowd—who got their photos taken with Bob himself—the City of Fairfax Parks & Recreation Department held "Touch-A-



Fairfax High School's Korean Drummers and Dancers arrive at Old Town Hall for their performance on Festival Stage during the city's 36th annual Fall Festival on Saturday, Oct. 13.

Truck," where children (young and old) could explore work vehicles and equipment.

The Festival Stage, presented by the Fairfax Commission of the Arts, hosted a variety of cultural performances, including Shepard's Pie, featuring music and dance of Ireland, and Los Quetzalas Mexican Dance Ensemble, Northern Virginia's premier Mexican folklore performance company.

The historic Ratcliff-Allison House on Main Street was open for tours all day, and the Fairfax Host Lions sponsored two locations for this year's Octoberfest Beer Garden.

"The festival was fantastic this year. It's a perennial family favorite that showcases everything the city has to offer," said Mayor Scott Silverthorne.

—Victoria Ross



Photo op! The Old Town Hall photo booth is always a popular stop for photogenic visitors of the city's 36th annual Fall Festival on Saturday, Oct. 13.

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Michael McDonald, (left), a GMU professor and political analyst, moderated a panel discussion Monday, Oct. 15 on the impact of Latino voters in Virginia. The panel included Vanessa Cárdenas, executive director of Progress 2050 Action, Center for American Progress Action Fund; Del. Alfonso Lopez (D-49); and Frank Sharry, executive director of America's Voice.

The Politics of Immigration

GMU panel addresses the impact of Latino votes in Northern Virginia.

By Victoria Ross
The Connection

Del. Alfonso Lopez (D-49) became visibly emotional talking about "the decidedly anti-immigrant sentiments" held by his conservative peers in the Republican-controlled Virginia General Assembly.

Speaking before a group of political analysts, Latino advocates and community leaders at George Mason University Monday, Lopez—the Commonwealth's first Latino elected to the state legislature—said that several bills are on the table this GA session that would "demonize" immigrants.

"The Mac-Daddy (of the proposed bills) which has made Arizona and Alabama look pretty bad, requires carrying an ID with you everywhere," Lopez said, referring to the commonwealth's Arizona-style anti-immigration policies requiring all law enforcement officers in the state to inquire about the immigration status of anyone stopped or arrested. "The fact is...what would be the basis for stopping someone and asking for ID?"

In Venezuela, where Lopez's family is from, "random police would go up to anyone and say 'give me your ID.' If someone came up to me and I'm wearing a suit, and looking like my mom, instead of actually my dad, they'd think my name was Al Smith, not Alfonso Lopez. This is a slippery slope to racial profiling, and this is going to be

proposed next session."

Lopez said the increasing percentage of Virginia's Latinos and immigrant voters make him hopeful that the political polarization regarding immigration reform will diminish.

HE POINTED OUT that, since 2000, Latino voter participation in the Commonwealth of Virginia has gone up between 1 and 3 percent every election cycle. Currently, there are 683,000 Latinos in Virginia, and approximately 183,000 of those are eligible voters, according to the State Board of Elections.

The rising impact of the Latino vote is well documented.

Earlier this month, the Pew Hispanic Center reported a record 23.7 million Latinos will be eligible to vote in the 2012 election—representing roughly 11 percent of the country's electorate, and that 17 percent reside in presumptive battleground states.

"There's something huge about what's happening in the Commonwealth," Lopez said. "The demographic shifts coming to Virginia will wipe out the effects of the short-sighted anti-immigrant politicking we see now."

In Virginia and at the national level, Latino voters are changing the political landscape in unprecedented ways, and hold increasing influence on the 2012 campaigns, according to Lopez and other panelists at

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The County Line

What Would \$155 Million Bond Package Buy?

**New fire stations,
library renovations,
park improvements and
more on Nov. 6 ballot.**

By Victoria Ross
The Connection

On a recent Saturday afternoon, Monique Bell of Oakton helped her 5-year-old daughter McKenzie sort through a dozen Halloween craft books at the Reston Regional Library.

The library, one of the busiest branches in Fairfax County, has a collection of more than 215,000 volumes and circulates more than a million books a year.

For children, there is a separate wing with everything from board books for infants to chapter books for school-age readers; special events such as Spiderella's Spooktacular Tales, and a full-service children's information desk.

"We're new to the area," Bell said, "but this has already become one of our favorite places. It's where a lot of moms spend time. We love all the story-time events."

Built in 1985, the 30,000-square-foot library is located north of the Reston Town Center and near the planned Reston Parkway Metro station. Because that area may be redeveloped into a more urban, mixed-use center, the library may be relocated.

The \$10 million project, which includes site studies, design and construction of a new library, is just part of Fairfax County's \$155 million bond package on the ballot Nov. 6. Specifically, the ballot will include four bond referendums for parks, public safety facilities and storm water projects.

"I didn't know about the project, but I can't imagine not supporting library projects," Bell said. "They're important for our children, like good schools, and one of the reasons we moved here."

IF MOST VOTERS think like Bell, their approval of the bond package would allow the County to borrow \$25 million to redesign the Reston library, as well as renovate three other libraries: Pohick Regional, Tysons-Pimmit Regional and John Marshall Community libraries.

The public safety bond would raise \$55 million, including \$35 million to replace three fire stations—Baileys Crossroads, Jefferson and Herndon—and \$20 million to renovate 22 courtrooms in the Jennings Judicial Center.

The \$75 million park bond for local and regional parks, according to County officials, would generate \$63 million toward a 10-year, \$435 million capital improvement plan and \$12 million to renew a four-year plan to contribute capital funds to the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority. Another \$30 million is earmarked for a levee and other storm-water improvements in the Huntington community.

"The projects the bond referenda will pay for are community priorities that essentially enhance our quality of life," said Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova (D-at-large). She said Fairfax County's triple-A credit rating—one of only 39 counties in the country to earn the rating - allows

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For general information, go to www.fairfaxcounty.gov/bond
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Public Safety: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1JL_zmihy2Y
Stormwater: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WI3ZQq94IJk>
Participate in two upcoming AskFairfax! Online forums:
Monday, Oct. 24 at 10 a.m. at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/AskFairfax/ActiveDiscussion.aspx?roomid=43
Monday, Oct. 29 at 10 a.m. on the Parks bond exclusively at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/AskFairfax/ActiveDiscussion.aspx?roomid=45

the County to borrow money at a low cost to pay for public facilities and infrastructure. She said the County has a fiscally-conservative policy of rapid debt retirement and strong debt management. Since 1978, the County has saved more than \$543.28 million on bond and refunding sales as a result of the triple-A ratings. Bulova said none of the bonds are expected to raise tax rates for residents.

"The County has benefited from the low cost of construction to make these kinds of improvement to our parks, libraries and public safety facilities. It's the silver lining, so to speak, in the economic downturn," she said.

In Fairfax County, bonds typically have a high rate of passage and, for the most part, have bipartisan support from the Board of Supervisors.

"All residents benefit from parks, libraries and, of course, the courthouse renovations. Efficient handling of court cases come from better facilities. Park and library funds are spent in an order established based on needs. Over time that covers the whole County," said Supervisor John Cook (R-Braddock).

However, a partisan divide separated supervisors on the \$30 million storm water bond referendum, which would provide flood-prevention measures such as a new levee for residents in Mount Vernon's flood-prone Huntington community.

In April, Huntington residents appeared before the board, asking the County to support measures that would protect their community from continued flooding along Cameron Run. On Sept. 8, 2011, during Tropical Storm Lee, Cameron Run peaked at 15 feet and flooded homes, causing the evacuation of more than 200 residents.

"We have 1,341 signatures from people who support our request. By our count, 1,193 of them are Fairfax County residents," said Huntington Community Association (HCA) secretary David Coon, who spoke about the community's "Stop the Floods" campaign at the April 12 board meeting.

During the May 22 board meeting, Supervisor Gerry Hyland (D-Mount Vernon) urged the board to include a \$30 million bond referendum for flood-prevention measures in Huntington, arguing that the county should fulfill a 40-year-old promise to protect the neighborhood.

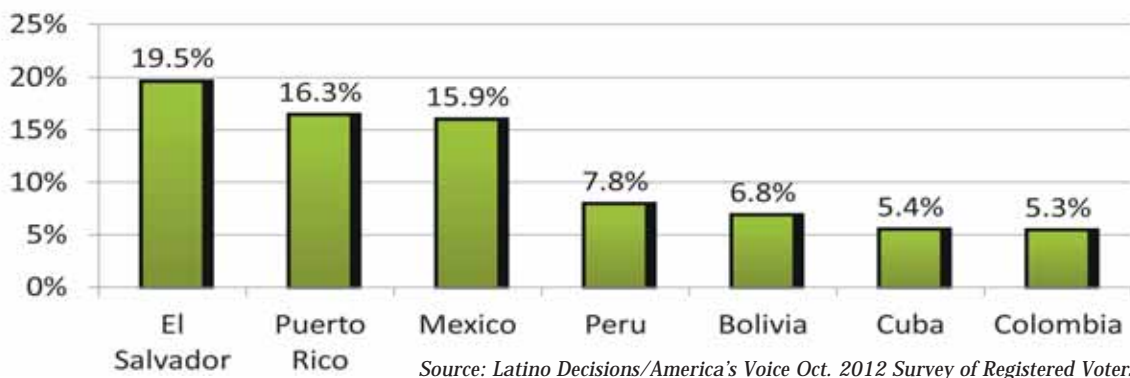
THE BOARD'S THREE Republican supervisors—John C. Cook (Braddock), Michael R. Frey (Sully) and Patrick S. Herrity (Springfield)—opposed the extra bond referendum for flooding.

"I voted against the storm water bond because it only helps about 200 households in Huntington," Cook said. "It will significantly increase the value of those homes, which is good for them, but at others' expense." Cook said supervisors should have explored the option of a private developer who had expressed an interest in buying the homes and building an apartment building, which would meet current FEMA floodplain regulations.

Virginia Latino Population

Total Population	8.0%
Non-citizen	36.0%
Citizen Population	5.6%

Source: Census Bureau's 2011 American Community Survey



Source: Latino Decisions/America's Voice Oct. 2012 Survey of Registered Voters

Immigration Issue High On Latino Voters' Agenda

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Monday's forum, which was co-sponsored by the GMU Department of Public and International Affairs and America's Voice, a Washington, D.C.-based immigration organization advocating for comprehensive immigration reform.

"There does seem to be an awareness that tectonic plates are shifting," said Frank Sharry, executive director of America's Voice.

While Virginia isn't traditionally a state where Latino voters have held a lot of sway, Sharry said that may change in 2012. "These voters are poised to play a decisive role in both races," Sharry said, pointing out that despite Mitt Romney's surge in national polls in recent weeks, his numbers with Latino voters are at "a dismal 22 percent."

During the panel discussion, moderator Michael McDonald, a professor of government and politics at GMU, released fresh polling of Latino voters in Virginia, from a poll conducted by Latino Decisions for America's Voice.

The bottom line: candidates' immigration positions matter to Virginia Latinos.

More on Poll Findings

❖ In the presidential race, 66 percent of Virginia Latinos said they will vote for President Obama, while 22 percent said they will vote for Romney and 7 percent are undecided.

❖ In the U.S. Senate race, 64 percent of Virginia Latinos said they will vote for Tim Kaine, while 24 percent said they will vote for George Allen and 12 percent are undecided.

❖ After hearing about Senate candidate Tim Kaine's support for the DREAM Act, 65 percent of Latinos said they were "more enthusiastic" about Kaine and 6 percent said they were "less enthusiastic."

❖ After hearing about George Allen's opposition to the DREAM Act and proposal to build a fence along the border, 8 percent of respondents said they were "more enthusiastic" about Allen and 49 percent said they were "less enthusiastic."

❖ 48 percent of Virginia Latinos said that immigration was the most important issue facing the Latino community that Congress and the president should address, while 47 percent said the same about the economy, jobs and unemployment.

❖ When asked how enthusiastic they are about voting in the election this year, 73 percent of respondents said that they were "very enthusiastic" about voting in the upcoming election.

SIXTY-FOUR PERCENT of respondents said that immigration was "the most important issue" or "one of the most important issues" in their voting decisions this year.

"Immigration is a personal issue that affects Latinos' attitudes toward candidates even if they don't explicitly name immigration as one of the most important issues facing the country," McDonald said. For more information on the poll, go to: www.latinodecisions.com/files/7213/5028/2350/Virginia_Toplines.pdf.

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Two constitutional questions will appear on all Virginia ballots, one about the use of eminent domain and one about the timing of a particular session of the General Assembly to consider overriding vetoes by the governor of legislation that was passed by the assembly. See <http://www.sbe.virginia.gov/webdocs/201211ConstitutionalAmendmentsPoster.pdf>.

In the races for U.S. House of Representatives, it's worth noting that redistricting resulted in significant changes in Northern Virginia in terms of who your U.S. representative will be. If you live in Reston, for example, you were represented by Jim Moran and the 8th district, now you are in the 11th district where the incumbent is Gerry Connolly. Fairfax County is represented by three Congressional Districts, 8, 10 and 11.

In Fairfax County, voters will also decide whether to invest in infrastructure based on

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four bond questions, answering yes or no to supporting \$75 million for parks, \$55 million for public safety facilities, \$25 million for library facilities and \$30 million for stormwater and sewer improvements. http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/nov_2012_county_bond_issues.pdf.

Last Week to Register to Vote

To vote on Election Day, you must be registered at your current address no later than Oct. 15, 2012. Registered voters should have received a new voter card in the mail by now. You can check your registration status online by visiting the State Board of Elections website at www.sbe.virginia.gov. There you can also download a voter registration form and mail or fax it to your elections office address.

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Editorial

Letters to the Editor

Vote Yes for Area Parks

To the Editor:

As Connection readers know, the upcoming election is a pivotal one. What readers may not be aware of is that a park bond referendum question is on the ballot for Fairfax County residents. I'm writing to ask readers to vote YES for the 2012 park bond.

The Fairfax County Park Authority's operating budget is almost 60 percent funded by revenue generating park activities. The remaining 40 percent is covered by appropriations from the County's General Fund derived from taxpayer contributions. This total contribution to parks amounts to less than 1 percent of the entire County operating budget. However, the operating funds do not include capital improvements such as renovations, new facilities, land acquisitions and the like. The funds for those endeavors are primarily funded through general obligation bonds. These types of bonds require the approval of the County constituency. This is just one of the bond questions on this year's ballot.

I know in our troubled economy some will argue that taking on debt is not a smart decision. How-

ever, I would argue that right now is the best time to embark on projects this bond will fund. Fairfax County maintains their debt payments at 10 percent or below tax revenue. The current bond request is projected to remain below that limit. With the current economic climate, purchases and construction costs are significantly lower so the funds can stretch further. Fairfax County's outstanding credit rating also enables it to obtain lower interest rates. Please visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/2012bond.htm for more detailed information about projects funded by the bond and more about the bond process.

I live in a neighborhood near the recently completed section of Pohick Stream Valley Trail in Burke. This project was paid for with park bond funds and I am so pleased with the results. Living in the suburbs outside the beltway, it is rare that you can easily walk or bike to shopping centers or commuter hubs. I can now easily and beautifully do both. Fairfax is such a family friendly and great place to live primarily because of its dedication to green, historic, and recreational spaces. My hope is the County continues to add more of these gems throughout the region with your help on Nov.

6. Please remember to vote YES for our parks.

Beth Gamble
Burke

Protecting Visitors to Clemyjontri Park

To the Editor:

Clemyjontri Park captures memories. My grandchildren and I swing, climb, balance, run, jump, go through the maze and ride the carousel horses. On the weekends, we park in the overflow lot and have to make our way across Route 193. The street curves right

before the point of crossing so we have to be extremely cautious. And when I drive by Clemyjontri and see families pushing strollers and waiting to cross, I slow down and stop. Unfortunately, I am one of very few.

Before something really tragic happens and we lose a child, it would be wonderful if our community were to join together to request a pedestrian bridge or, at the very least, seriously high speed bumps on either side of the walkway across Route 193.

I'm absolutely certain that we would all prefer happy memories to a terribly sad memorial.

Penny Morrill
McLean

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News

Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova with Smashburger founder Tom Ryan and Fairfax City Mayor Scott Silverthorne at the preview party on Oct. 3.



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Fairfax Gets Taste of Smashburger

Instead of cutting a ribbon, Mayor Silverthorne “smashes” burgers during grand opening in new shopping center.

By Victoria Ross
The Connection

Smashburger, a Denver-based burger chain, opened its first area location in the new Boulevard Marketplace on Wednesday, Oct. 3.

Fairfax City Mayor Scott Silverthorne participated in Smashburger's version of a ribbon-cutting, a “ceremonial smash” with founder Tom Ryan.

“I am thrilled to welcome Tom Ryan and Smashburger to the City of Fairfax, their first location in the Washington Metropolitan region,” said Silverthorne after Wednesday's preview party. “This new restaurant, along with several others in the new Fairfax Boulevard Marketplace, is a great addition to the Fairfax family.”

Silverthorne added that he quickly became a Smashburger fan after trying the burgers that are made of 100 percent Angus beef that is smashed on a 400-degree flat grill to sear the burger.

“I've eaten a lot of burgers in my day, but this is one of the best by far, and by the looks of the crowds the past few days, I'm not alone in my thinking,” Silverthorne said.

Each Smashburger restaurant features a regional menu created with “regional ingredients and tastes in mind,” according to Ryan. The Capital Burger and Chicken Sandwich were created exclusively for the DC area.

“At Smashburger, we pride ourselves in creating menu items that appeal to the local consumer,” Ryan said. In addition to burgers, the restaurant also offers a selection of chicken sandwiches, hot dogs, salads, rosemary and garlic-seasoned Smashfries, fried pickles, haystack onions and veggie frites. Beverage selections include alcoholic and non-alcoholic choices such as milkshakes in addition to beer and wine.

In addition to Smashburger, other tenants now open in the Boulevard Marketplace, located on Fairfax Boulevard across from Captain Pell's, include Subway, Donatos and a 7-Eleven. Hunan Taste and Hair by Lynn are opening soon, according to Jay Donegan, the center's developer.

Donegan, owner of J. Donegan Co., specializes in the redevelopment of underutilized, infill locations and ground-up specialty retail centers, mostly in the



City of Fairfax Mayor Scott Silverthorne conducts the ceremonial “smash” at the new Smashburger located in the Boulevard Marketplace shopping center.

Northern Virginia area. In 2001, he helped redevelop the \$17 million, 102,000 square foot Main Street Marketplace in old-town Fairfax that includes the area's first two-story Starbucks. In 2008, he developed the 24,000 square-foot \$12 million Fairfax Marketplace, on the site where Frank's Nursery once stood.

“We are excited that Smashburger's first location in the area has opened in the City of Fairfax at our new Boulevard Marketplace retail development,” Donegan said. “We were very discriminating in terms of which restaurant we wanted to occupy the most prominent location in our project. Smashburger will be very visible at the main entrance to the site, with colorful outdoor seating next to acres of preservation area.”

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FRIDAY/OCT. 19

Rockin' Ever After. 10:30 a.m., 7:30 p.m., at the Patriot Center, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Disney showcases classic and new starts on ice. Playing through Sunday, Oct. 21. \$15-75. 1-800-745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com.

SATURDAY/OCT. 20

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SUNDAY/OCT. 21

Rockin' Ever After. 12:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m., at the Patriot Center, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Disney showcases classic and new starts on ice. Playing through Sunday, Oct. 21. \$15-75. 1-800-745-3000 or www.ticketmaster.com.

Display and N Gauge Trains. 1-4 p.m., at the Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Blvd., Fairfax Station. The Northern Virginia NTRACK members provide a train display. \$3 for adults, \$1 for children. 703-425-9225 or www.fairfax-station.org.

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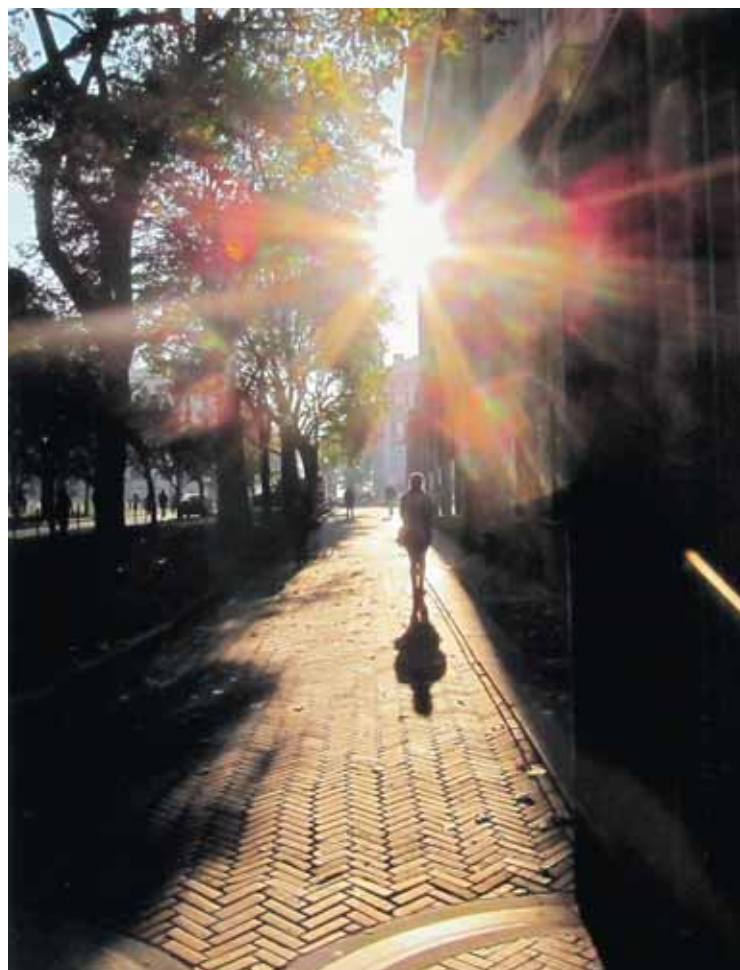
SUNDAY/OCT. 23

Movie: Fatal Promises. 2 p.m., Research Room 163, George Mason University, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. A screening to promote domestic violence awareness. 703-216-8297.

SATURDAY/OCT. 27

Fairfax Bike Summit. 9 a.m.-2 p.m., at the HUB at George Mason University, 10423 Rivanna River Way, Fairfax. Sessions on road improvements, safe routes, growing bicycle participation, bike share and more. ffxbikesummit.eventbrite.com or fabb-bikes.org.

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Live Boxing. 6 p.m., at the Patriot Center, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. A 10-round middleweight battle between Jimmy Lange and Tony "Mo Better" Jeter. \$40-500. 703-993-3000 or www.patriotcenter.com.

Drama's Night Out. 6-11 p.m., at Woodson High School Auditorium, 9525 Main St., Fairfax. Students in first through sixth grade can spend time with Woodson drama students playing improv, singing and dancing while parents are free for date night; benefits Cava-In Kilts Thespians' trip to perform at the Fringe Festival in Edinburgh, Scotland. \$40; \$30 for each additional sibling. www.wtwdrama.org/boosters/night-out.

SUNDAY/OCT. 28

Referendum, Reception and Redskins. 3-4:30 p.m., at Pohick Regional Library, 6450 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. Catch the tail-end of the Redskins game, enjoy dessert, beverages and free giveaways like a Nook or Kindle. 703-644-7333 or www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/news.

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Entertainment

From left, Mike Dazé (Paul), Sara Bennett (Penny), Christopher Schwartz (Tony Kirby), Joe Gargiulo (Mr. DePinna) and Andra Whitt (Essie Carmichael) in rehearsal for the Providence Players production of "You Can't Take it with You."



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Courtesy of
Providence Players
of Fairfax

Endearing and Enduring Comedy

Providence Players of Fairfax present "You Can't Take it with You."

By David Siegel
The Connection

"A non-stop dance of human interactions and emotions—with some crazy ballet thrown in for great entertainment," said Sara Bennett of the Providence Players next production, "You Can't Take it with You," by George S. Kaufman and Moss Hart.

With its share of screwball situations and wacky characters, "You Can't Take it with You" is unusual for the Providence Players. "We have never repeated a play. This is the first time we have done this," said Chip Gertzog, one of the founding members of the Players and the director of the production. "And every role is a gem."

The Pulitzer Prize-winning comedy's particular insights about wealth and happiness comes from a most unconventional family that impacts and influences those who are staid and stiff, and who find love hard to display. It ran two years on Broadway.

At a recent interview, Gertzog and other original members of the now 15-year-old Providence Players such as Sara Evans Bennett, John Coscia and Susan Kaplan reminisced about the beginnings of the company. They were parents of young children at Mantua Elementary School putting on productions to raise funds for the local PTA. "You Can't Take it with You" was their first production as a group.

Coscia will reprise his role from 15 years ago, eccentric Martin Vanderhof, a man who decides to leave all the stress of work behind and to relax. He escapes from a life with "six hours of things I have to do every day before I get one hour to do what I like in."

Bennett is re-playing the role of Penny Sycamore an avant-garde, somewhat blunt woman and charmer of a mother, who "has a great enthusiasm for living. She is full of joie de vivre as a character, taking pleasure in what is put in front of her." Bennett played the same role in the Players production 15 years earlier.

Susan Kaplan was also in the original production



John Coscia (Martin Vanderhof) and Sara Bennett (Penny) in rehearsal for the Providence Players comedy "You Can't Take it with You."

Where and When

"You Can't Take it with You," performed by Providence Players of Fairfax, James Lee Community Center Theater, 2855 Annandale Road, Falls Church. Performances: Oct. 19-Nov. 3., Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m.; Sunday matinees at 2 p.m., Oct. 21 & 28. Tickets: \$15-\$18. Call 703-425-6782 or visit www.providenceplayers.org. Note: Providence Players offers a special free preview performance for students and their guests, including teachers on Thursday, Oct. 18 at 7 p.m.

though in a different role. Now she is Mrs. Kirby, an "extremely prim and proper woman." Kaplan smiled widely as she said, "I love the production. Being on stage allows me to be something different from what I do in real life."

As it begins its 15th season, the Providence Players agreed that they were happy "to put together a season with an eye toward what long-time followers of the Providence Players have enjoyed through the years."

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Hey, look at me! Reagan Steger, 3, of Fair Oaks "drives" the fire engine in her sparkly, silver shoes.

Visiting the Local Fire Station

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Elections Come to Area Schools

Educators use current election to teach students about campaigns and elections.

By Marilyn Campbell
The Connection

How would you change the current tax situation and, at the same time, address the larger issue of our national debt? Do you believe it is the government's job to provide health care for all citizens? Why or why not?

Would you approve the Keystone pipeline and what other changes would you make to help make the U.S. energy independent, while also protecting the environment?

Sound like questions that belong in a presidential debate? These are inquiries written by Advanced Placement government students at Alexandra's St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School, and they're just some of the local students getting involved in this year's election. From mock debates to in-school voter registration, some local educators are using the upcoming election to bring American government books to life.

"[Students in] ninth through 12th grade are holding a student debate between the Peoples' Democratic Front and the Young Conservatives, and then will hold a mock election after the debate," said Linda Stratton, St. Stephen's and St. Agnes' director of communications. Stratton said the students prepared questions to introduce the four debate topics: health care, the economy, foreign policy,



Fourth graders at Norwood School in Bethesda, Md., gather around the school's lower school election table to answer the "Question of the Day."

and energy and environment.

"The AP government class will be predicting the Electoral College result of the presidential race and the overall make-up of the House and Senate," she added.

Students at the Potomac School in McLean used social media to simulate a real campaign. "Students put together a mock Facebook profile for a selected candidate," said Jenni Ashley, an intermediate school humanities teacher at the school. "To explore the issues, students researched the two candidates, particularly their websites and their positions on the issues."

"The majority of my students are 12. I would say that all of the students knew the candidates and had some idea of who they are. However, they were quite uninformed on the issues," she added, saying the election provides an opportunity to explore these issues.

Her students are learning about campaign issues in preparation for a pre-Election Day mock debate. "We will start to explore how the candidates are trying to win the

election," said Ashley. "We are going to discuss the effectiveness of yard signs and create our own signs. And we will explore TV ads, both current and from past elections."

IN FACT, TEACHERS SAY mock debates are a way to teach students about elections and current events in way that keeps them engaged.

"A few days before the election, the [middle school] history department is hosting a mock debate that will lay out all of the issues of the election," said Stratton of students at St. Stephen's and St. Agnes. "On Election Day, they will set up polling places throughout the school where students will vote on issues." While the students will not vote on actual candidates, they will receive "I voted" stickers.

At Norwood School in Bethesda, Md., even kindergarten students are becoming politically active. "Students in kindergarten through fourth grade will be asked a "Question of the Day" relating to the election process in general and the presidential election specifically,"

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"Now that you know where you are applying, be on time and follow the admissions calendar. Call the admissions director to introduce yourself, ask questions and let the director know who you are. Putting a face, or a least a voice, with an application file can go a long way."

— **Rich Moss**, director of admissions, The Heights School, Potomac, Md.

"Find out when each school is having open houses or other events that help you get to know the program. Some schools have a limited number of these 'get to know you' events. If you miss them, you can still visit and tour the programs, but you will sometimes have missed the one opportunity to also meet faculty and talk with a variety of students and volunteers. Remember, your child spends the majority of her or his waking hours at school. You should want to get to know as much as you can about the schools you are interested in, this is the time to do that."

— **Pat Harden**, director of admissions and financial aid, Connelly School of the Holy Child, Potomac, Md.

"Each school has its own mission and community. It's important to experience the school to get an accurate picture. Can you envision your child and family there?"

— **Diane Dunning**, director of admission and financial aid, St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School, Alexandria.

"Track your application progress. Online systems are great and usually very efficient, but if you've not heard back from a school after you've applied, call to check on your status and to ensure that your application is complete and no further steps are needed."

— **Tim Simpson**, director of admission, Bullis School, Potomac, Md.

— Marilyn Campbell

said Leanne Gill, Norwood's director of communications. "The questions will be on display on an election table situated at the entrance to the lower school library."

Students write their answer on a piece of paper and place them in a box. The number of correct answers is posted each morning. "The goal ... is to provoke discussion and provide new information about the election process for our younger students," she said.


The school is holding a "Norwood School Voter Registration Week" prior to the Nov. 6 election. "As students attend library class, they will be given the opportunity to register as citizens of Norwood School," said Gill. "On Tuesday, Nov. 6, we will hold our own Norwood presidential election."

Students will also receive an "I voted" sticker after casting their ballots and teachers hope to an-

nounce the results of the Norwood election before the end of Election Day. "Throughout the weeks leading up to the election, the library will showcase a display of books about elections, presidents, and government," she added.

In addition, teachers asked Norwood seventh and eighth grade students to watch at least 20 minutes of each presidential debate. "The school is holding 'Election Days' after each debate when we discuss the debate and other issues related to the election," said Gill.

SOME STUDENTS SAY the lessons on political culture and good citizenship can extend beyond the election. "When you are running for president, it doesn't matter who you are—black or white, man or woman—it just matters that you work hard and do a good job," said Julius Camper, a fourth grade student at Norwood School.



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Sports

Fairfax senior captain Shannon Cosgrove is the Rebels' leading goal scorer.



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Fairfax Field Hockey Clinches Regional Berth

Rebels beat Statesmen for undefeated district record.

By Jon Roetman
 The Connection

Katie Clark knelt on the sideline and emptied her emotions following the Marshall field hockey team's regular season finale on Oct. 11. After a teammate consoled Clark, head coach Christina Carroll crouched by the senior midfielder and placed a hand on her head.

Marshall had just lost to Fairfax. It was Senior Night for the Statesmen, who failed in their attempt to beat the Rebels and earn the top seed in the Liberty District tournament, which comes with a first-round bye and automatic regional berth. Adding to Clark's disappointment was the experience of playing against Fairfax captains Shannon Cosgrove and Sam Zelenack, who are club teammates with Clark and fellow Marshall captain Madeleine Lewsen.

"It's really hard," Clark said after the game. "I have a lot of friends on the Fairfax team. I play club with them and it's hard to play against them."

ALONG WITH PLAYER RELATIONSHIPS, Carroll and Fairfax head coach Amber Beaudoin are friends. Neither side was overly thrilled with having to complete against the other. Beaudoin said coaching against Carroll can be "awkward" at times. Cosgrove said playing against her club teammates is "tough because all four of us are really competitive." In the end, it was the Rebels that made the most of an uncomfortable situation, beating the Statesmen, 2-0, at Marshall High School.

Cosgrove scored on an assist from Zelenack with 8:41 remaining in the first half and junior Sara Allen added an insurance goal late in the second half as Fairfax improved to 15-1 and completed an undefeated run through the Liberty District. The Rebels' last loss to Marshall came in 2010.

Cosgrove's goal was her team-leading 15th of the season and proved to be the game-winner.

"I think it completely affected the game," Cosgrove said. "I think we started dominating after that, especially at the end of the second half. We were moving the ball really well and that set the whole tone for the game."

Fairfax started the season 11-0 before suffering its only regular season defeat—a 3-0 loss to Westfield



Fairfax junior Sara Allen scored a goal in the second half of the Rebels' 2-0 victory against Marshall on Oct. 11.

on Sept. 24. Cosgrove said the loss caused the Rebels to address their sub-par practice habits. Beaudoin said it gave younger players a taste of adversity.

"We have a lot of sophomores on our team and they just don't understand that things aren't always going to be awesome," the coach said. "When you lose like that...it makes them have to work."

THE REBELS RESPONDED with four straight wins, outscoring opponents 8-0. During the regular season, Fairfax outscored its opposition 45-4.

Marshall finished the regular season with a 12-4 record and earned the No. 2 seed in the Liberty tournament with a 4-2 district mark.

Lewsen, who finished the regular season with 10 goals, said Marshall will use the loss to Fairfax as motivation in the postseason.

"The drive is all there and the want to win is all there," she said, "especially now that we have this loss on Senior Night."

Clark led Marshall with 14 regular season goals. Marshall defeated No. 7 South Lakes, 1-0, in the first round of the district tournament on Tuesday, earning a trip to the semifinals while securing a berth in regionals. Fairfax will play in the semifinals.

"It's so emotional for so many different reasons—but for Senior Night, specifically," Carroll said after Marshall's loss to Fairfax. "We tell [the players] that we're still in it, we still have a season.... We need to pick up the pieces and go. So what? We didn't get the automatic [berth] into regionals and we have to work for it. It's OK. We can do it...."

"I was just saying [to Beaudoin] that we're in the same situation every year playing for first place. One of these times, I'd just like to beat her."

Sports



Lake Braddock linebacker Dwight Lomax wraps up Robinson running back Joe Wilson on Oct. 13.



Photos by Craig Sterbutzel/The Connection

Lake Braddock running back Aaron Hollins carried 17 times for 95 yards and two touchdowns during the Bruins' 32-7 victory against Robinson on Oct. 12.

Defense, Running Game Lead Lake Braddock Past Robinson

Bruins have won four straight after 1-2 start.

By Jon Roetman
The Connection

The Robinson Rams had the ball on the Lake Braddock two-yard line in the closing moments of the teams' rivalry football matchup on Oct. 12 when Bruins defensive back Rory Renzi shouted encouragement to his teammates.

"Twelve seconds!" Renzi said. "Don't give them anything!"

The outcome was all but decided as Lake Braddock held a 25-point lead. That didn't matter. This was about pride.

Lake Braddock stuffed Robinson standout running back Joe Wilson at the one-yard line on the game's final play and the Bruins ended a lengthy regular-season losing streak against the Rams with a 32-7 homecoming victory at Lake Braddock Secondary School.

WILSON CARRIED 12 TIMES for 72 yards and a touchdown on Robinson's opening drive as the Rams jumped out to a 7-0 lead. From that point, however, the Lake Braddock defense stymied Robinson's ground-oriented offense, limiting Wilson to 49 yards on his final 20 carries.

"I thought [defensive coordinator Eric] Henderson did a good job mixing the front up and kind of changing the scheme," Lake Braddock head coach Jim Poythress said. "He had a back-up plan.... I thought that we played smart. Joe Wilson is a heck of a football player. In the beginning, you saw us running up field and he'd cut and we'd miss and we'd look silly. Then we kind of built walls and tried to [force] him [to] run through the walls and to dominate up front and we were able to do that, and that kind of changed the course of the game."

According to stats from the Washington Post's Web site, Wilson leads the Washington, D.C. metro area in rushing yards (1,548) and touchdowns (22) through seven games. He rushed for at least 230 yards against four opponents and twice scored six touchdowns in a single game. Wilson carried 31 times for 413 yards, caught one pass for 34 yards and scored six touchdowns against T.C. Williams on Sept. 14. He rushed 31 times for 262 yards and six scores against South County on Sept. 28.

While Wilson got off to a strong start against Lake Braddock, the Bruins made the necessary adjustments to contain No. 32. Wilson finished with 32 carries for 121 yards and a touchdown.

"[Opposing defenses] know who the ball is going to most of the time," Wilson said after the game, "so it's hard for me to find the holes."

While Lake Braddock bottled up Wilson, the Bruins offense got things going on the ground. Senior Aaron Hollins, who moved from receiver to running back earlier in the season, carried 17 times for 95 yards and two touchdowns. His 32-yard scoring scamper gave the Bruins a 19-7 lead with 5:57 remaining in the second quarter.

"This whole day, everyone was talking about Joe Wilson, Joe Wilson," Hollins said. "That didn't even put me down. I stayed focused and that motivated me."

Hollins also scored on an 11-yard run in the fourth quarter.

"I don't know if there's a quicker kid around," Poythress said. "Here's a kid who just can stop on a dime and get going. He's a difference-maker for us. It's opening up our running attack. We're a much different football team with him playing there and some of the other personnel changes that we made."

Poythress also said Jason Hoskins, who moved from running back to defensive back earlier in the year, played well against Robinson. Hoskins had four tackles.

Lake Braddock quarterback Caleb Henderson completed 14 of 21 passes for 95 yards a touchdown. He carried 12 times for 51 yards, including an 11-yard, game-tying touchdown run early in the second quarter.

THREE PLAYS LATER, Renzi intercepted a Robinson pass and returned it 21 yards for a touchdown, giving the Bruins a 13-7 lead they wouldn't relinquish.

"We just knew we were going to win the whole time," Renzi said. "We believed it. We didn't think; we believed it."

Defensive lineman Joseph Achour led Lake Braddock with 11 tackles and one sack. Achour attended Robinson as a freshman.

"This is my old school, so it's the best feeling in the world," he said.

"This is the most important game in my high school career, my senior year, especially homecoming. This meant the world to me."

The Lake Braddock defense also benefited from the return of lineman Romario Peart,

who had four tackles and a 1/2 sack while playing in his first full game coming off an injury.

"It felt great," Peart said. "I missed my teammates so much."

Linebacker Patrick Farrell had 10 tackles for Lake Braddock and linebacker Kevin Hankton had eight. Linebacker Dwight Lomax had seven tackles, including a team-high four solos, and a 1/2 sack.

On offense, receiver Austin Wolfe had eight receptions for 60 yards and a touchdown.

Robinson (3-4 overall, 1-1 Concorde District) will host Herndon for homecoming at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 19. Lake Braddock (5-2, 4-0 Patriot District) has won four in a row and will travel to face Lee at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 19.

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Langley Football Falls to Yorktown

The Langley football team lost to Yorktown, 24-14, on Oct. 12. It was the Saxons' third consecutive loss and fourth in the last five games.

Langley (3-4) will close the regular season with Liberty District contests

against South Lakes (home, Oct. 19), Fairfax (away, Oct. 26) and McLean (home, Nov. 2). The Saxons are 2-2 in the district, with wins against Thomas Jefferson and Marshall, and losses against Madison and Stone Bridge.

Area Roundups

Meet the Mayor

At his swearing-in ceremony in June, City of Fairfax Mayor R. Scott Silverthorne promised to give every resident an equal opportunity to participate in government.

This month, Silverthorne will host a series of "drop-in" meetings for residents to come by and discuss any issue. "Clearly they can still email, call or set up an individual appointment, but I thought it would be helpful to develop a new open door policy without needing an appointment," Silverthorne said.

Silverthorne announced the following dates and times for the drop-in meetings, which will be held on the third floor across from the city manager's office in the City Hall building, 10455 Armstrong Street.

- ❖ Friday, Oct. 26 from 2 to 5 p.m.
- ❖ Monday, Oct. 29 from 6:30 to 9 p.m.
- ❖ Friday, Nov. 9 from 2 to 5 p.m.

Herrity Holds Town Hall Meeting

Supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield) in conjunction with the Springfield District Council, the Virginia Department of Transportation, and the Fairfax County Department of Transportation, will be hosting a Town Hall meeting on the future of the Fairfax County Parkway on Tuesday, Oct. 23 at 7 p.m. at Robinson Secondary School, 5035 Sideburn Road in Fairfax. "There have been some successes in improving parts of the parkway, such as the extension project, repaving and the Fair Lakes Interchange project currently underway," Herrity said, "but even with these improvements, the parkway is experiencing significant congestion. We need to establish a vision for its long-term future before we wake up and find the parkway as congested as I-66."

Area Companies Dominate List of 50 Fastest Growing Companies

Thirty-three companies from Fairfax County are on this year's Washington Business Journal list of the 50 fastest growing companies in the Washington region. To see the companies listed in the WBJ ranking, go to <http://www.bizjournals.com/washington/feature/fastest-growing-companies-2012.html>.

Five of the top 10 companies on the list hail from Fairfax County. No other county or city is represented by more than five companies on the list. Seven companies are from Maryland and two are from the District of Columbia.

"Fairfax County has gained a lot of notoriety for being the home of 10 Fortune 500 companies, but being home to two-thirds of the companies on the Business Journal list points out Fairfax County's strength with newer, smaller companies that are growing quickly in this marketplace," said Gerald L. Gordon, president and CEO of the Fairfax County Economic Development Authority (FCEDA). "It also shows the value that companies of all sizes put on the kinds of business assets and quality of life that Fairfax County offers."

—Victoria Ross

Week in Fairfax

Saturday Morning Coffee with Delegate Bulova

This Saturday, Oct. 20, Del. David Bulova (D-Fairfax) will continue a tradition started in 2006 by holding the second in a series of informal office hours to take place from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Jireh Bakery and Café, 13848 Lee Highway, Centreville. Constituents are invited to talk about issues of interest and to ask questions about legislation affecting our community. The format is casual and no appointment is needed.

The next coffee will be held on Dec. 8 at Main Street Bagel, 10268 Main Street,

City of Fairfax. Delegate Bulova is also happy to arrange individual appointments on specific issues or concerns.

Recycle During Electric Sunday

Residents may recycle old TVs, computers, peripheral electronic devices—such as keyboards, speakers, printers and scanners, as well as household hazardous wastes—including fluorescent light bulbs and tubes, for free, during Fairfax County's "Electric Sunday" events. The next one is slated for Sunday, Oct. 21, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., at the I-66 Transfer Station, 4618 West Ox Road in Fairfax. For more information, call 703-324-5052.



R. Scott Silverthorne becomes the City of Fairfax's 10th mayor during his swearing-in ceremony in June 27 at the City Hall Veteran's Amphitheater. The oath of office was administered by Clerk of the Court John Frey.

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