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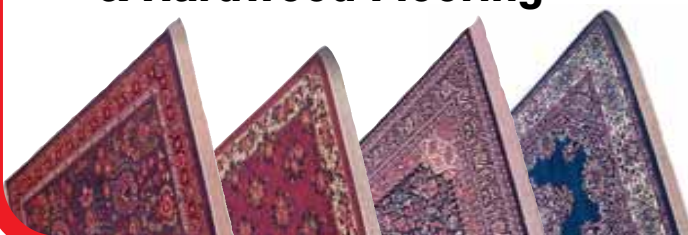


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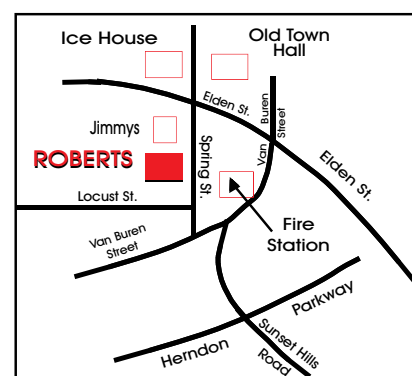


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Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova addresses the current state of affairs in Fairfax County, Feb. 20, at the Fairfax County Government Center.



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Bulova Presents State of County

Board chairman discusses Tysons future, effects of sequestration.

BY ALEX McVEIGH
THE CONNECTION

Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova premiered her "State of the County" address Wednesday, Feb. 20. In the 20-minute video, Bulova addressed what promises to be an eventful year in the county, one that will see the opening of five new Metrorail stations in Tysons Corner and Reston.

Bulova pointed to several signs that not only has the county weathered the economic storm over the past few years, the future looks promising.

"The county is home to 10 Fortune 500 companies, five of these have relocated within the last four years. Consumer confidence is rising and the number of foreclosures is falling," she said. "Home sales are up and unemployment is down, well below the national average of nearly eight percent. While we are not yet out of the woods from the impacts of the recession, clearly we're on the right track."

Bulova said that the county's future is tied to the redevelopment efforts going on now and planned for the future, with transportation changes a major part of that development.

"As Fairfax continues to mature, it's important that we accommodate our future growth and existing population in ways that make it easier for our residents and workers to live, work and play without always needing to get behind the wheel of a car," she said. "Aging commercial centers near mass transit, like Tysons, present especially valuable opportunities for attractive, transit-oriented mixed-use revitalization."

Planning principles used in Tysons redevelopment are also being used for other areas undergoing rede-

velopment and revitalization around the county.

But while the Metro and some related development will be opening this year, Bulova mentioned that it would be a number of years before all the changes are in place.

"The transformation of Tysons is going to be an evolutionary process. The transportation plan we have adopted and the finding mechanisms the board adopted are meant to serve the community over the next 20 or 30 years," she said. "You're not going to see the development happen at once, and just as that will happen over time, so will the transportation improvement. Developers are working with the county on establishing a grid of streets, and they are dedicated either a right-of-way or building as part of their application, segments of the grid of streets."

Bulova said by 2050, "but hopefully before," the grid of streets in Tysons would be operational.

In a follow-up to the official State of the County address, Bulova also discussed the county's concern when it comes to federal spending cuts that could be happening as early as March 1 as a result of sequestration.

She said there is an "absolute concern" about sequestration, and the county is already seeing effects in terms of budget planning and government-related business decisions on things like renting new office space. She said the county is looking at diversifying its economic base.

"One of the things that Fairfax County has been doing is to increase our commercial base in areas that are not necessarily federal or defense related. One thing we were happy to see was the move of the Hilton Headquarters to Fairfax County, which is a new commercial opportunity," she said. "We're also working with the EPA and INVOA Health Systems to restore opportunities for personalized and translational medicine. The name of the game is finding areas that make us more diverse than we've been in the past."

The entirety of Bulova's State of the County address can be found online at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/cable/channel16/vod.htm>.

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— Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova



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Preschool children of Forest Edge Elementary School playing with donated toys by the RCC's Good Neighbor woodworking group.

Happy Day at Forest Edge

RCC's Good Neighbors Woodworking Group donates toys.

BY OLUFEMI
AKINSITAN
THE CONNECTION

It was a day filled with fun and excitement for preschool children of Forest Edge Elementary School on Tuesday, Feb. 19, at the school's main cafeteria. The occasion was the presentation of about 50 handmade wooden toys to the children by members of the Reston Community Center's Good Neighbors, a senior adult volunteer woodworking group.

Summing up the occasion, Martha Furniss, a school staff member, described it as "definitely a bright spot on a wintry school day." Also speaking, Walter Lazear, one of the organizers and a member of the group said, "we enjoy the woodworking and we enjoy using tools, but the goal is to see the kids play."

The RCC's senior adult volunteer group consists of 15 members, who meet every Tuesday at the RCC woodshop to design, construct and decorate wooden toys for local children to cherish and enjoy.

According to Walter Lazear, materials like wood and tools are donated by people within the area, while members come up with design ideas on what toys to build. The toys produced are donated at similar events



Children of Forest Edge Elementary School actively engaged with toys donated to the school by the RCC's Good Neighbor woodworking group.

once or twice in a year to elementary schools in the area. He stated that interested adults, who must be over 55 years, can walk-in and join the group on Tuesdays at the Reston Community Center.

The Reston Community Center, the main supporter of the group, provides more than 2,000 positive self-development experiences that enhance the quality of life for all people living and working in Reston. The center offers a range of programs in arts, aquatics, enrichment and lifelong learning. Contact: www.restoncommunitycenter.org or call 703-476-4500 for more information.

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Supporters of new gun control regulations march in front of the National Rifle Association Headquarters in Fairfax Friday, Feb. 22.

Alliance Pushes for New Policies

Reston-Herndon Alliance to End Gun Violence holds vigil at NRA headquarters.

BY ALEX McVEIGH
THE CONNECTION

Members of the Reston-Herndon Alliance to End Gun Violence gathered at the National Rifle Association headquarters in Fairfax Friday, Feb. 22, to advocate for stricter gun laws. This was the group's second such protest, where more than 30 members carried signs citing statistics about gun-related deaths.

"We're here to remember the victims and recognize that every day there are new victims of gun violence," said Joanna Simon of the alliance.

The group marched around in a loop for more than an hour, each member carrying signs that mentioned massacres such as the ones at Columbine High School, Virginia Tech, the movie theater in Aurora, Colo., and Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Conn.

They specifically want to pass four policies: closing the gun show loophole, limiting the size of magazines, getting rid of illegal, military-style weapons and getting more support for the mentally ill.

"Military-style weapons and high-capacity magazines need to be out of the hands of the public," said Ellen Bussey, a clinical psychologist from Reston. "If you want to hunt, you can have a rifle, and if you want to protect your home you can have a handgun, but that doesn't mean anybody needs to fire 30, 40, 50 rounds before reloading."

Bussey said she is also a strong advocate for better mental health care to prevent such acts of mass violence, saying there has to be better ways to reach out to those suffering from mental illnesses.

Many of the protesters said they personally didn't have a problem with "reasonable" gun ownership, and had no interest in making guns illegal.

"This isn't guns versus no guns, and events like this help us bring nuance to the discussion, to show that this isn't a black and white issue, we're not against the second amendment, or anything as drastic as that," said Marilyn Adams of McLean, the daughter of a former FBI agent who grew up around law enforcement. "I completely understand the need for guns, but I think this organization [the NRA] is



Members of the Reston-Herndon Alliance to End Gun Violence hold a vigil outside of the National Rifle Association Headquarters in Fairfax Friday, Feb. 22.

completely out of touch with what their membership and this country want, which is to prevent these terrible shootings."

The group was restricted to the sidewalk along Waples Mill Road during their vigil, since it is county-owned property. They were not allowed on NRA property, and when Adams sat briefly on a light post on the property, she was asked to return to the sidewalk.

During their vigil, several cars in traffic honked their approval and waved to the group. Gloria Pan of Moms Rising, a national advocacy nonprofit, said: "This is democracy in action. We live in an age where a lot of talk happens on things like the Internet, but a number of people coming out together shows that there are a lot of voices in favor of reasonable, common-sense policies."

The group plans to gather on the 14th of every month at 9:30 a.m., the day of the month and time of the shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Conn. In March they plan to print out all signatures from a petition from Moms Rising, of which they currently have about 150,000, and drop the pages off at the headquarters.

OPINION

Cautious Optimism For Reston RELAC

BY JOHN LOVAAS
RESTON IMPACT PRODUCER/HOST

Well, we are about to get our wish. According to the Joint Petition filed with the Virginia State Corporation Commission (SCC), AQUA Virginia, the accidental corporate owner of the antiquated Reston Lake Anne Air Conditioning (RELAC), is going away. AQUA finally found someone to take it off their hands.

In the background, that is definitely applause you hear coming from seats occupied by 400-plus long-suffering prisoners of the air-conditioning monopoly. Corporate AQUA service is abysmal. Rates soared. They invested nothing.

If the SCC approves the sale, RELAC will be locally owned and operated. Messrs. Mark Waddell, Craig Nyman and Michael Coleman will pay AQUA something in excess of \$1 U.S. to acquire all the shares and assets for their new company, Reston RELAC, LLC. The actual acquisition price was redacted from



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the Joint Petition document and has not been made public. However, one can assume the buyers did not pay much more than what AQUA offered to sell old rickety to the Reston Association for a few years ago: \$1 U.S.

Now, can the local owners pull it off? The system relies on four ancient, electricity-guzzling chillers vintage early 1960s. The chilled water is distributed through an aging, deteriorating web of pipes. Both will need big-ticket replacement to make the system efficient and affordable. The capital investment needed may be a stretch for the local owners who, according to the documents filed, have put up just \$30,000 and gotten a bank line of

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OPINION

All's Well That Ends Well

BY KENNETH R. "KEN" PLUM
STATE DELEGATE (D-36)

Not only did the 2013 session of the General Assembly end on time last Saturday, but it also ended on a high note. Having sat through a couple of decades of failed efforts to pass meaningful legislation addressing our transportation needs, I was not optimistic that we would be successful this year. The governor's proposal to fix a billion dollar problem with a revenue-neutral solution did not give me much hope. I was both amazed and delighted when the House passed a transportation funding bill by a vote of 60 to 40 that provides new revenue to meet road and transit needs. In addition to providing new money, the bill also addresses other problems by switching the gas tax from a per gallon amount to a percentage to help it keep up with future needs. The bill also provides for additional monies to be raised in Northern Virginia and spent in our region. While the bill will not



totally resolve our transportation congestion, it does provide money for mass transit and \$300 million towards the cost of the Silver Line that will help to keep the tolls down.

There are aspects of the omnibus transportation compromise that I do not like. The charging of

a \$100 per year fee for hybrid vehicles—because their fuel efficiency reduces the gas tax collected on them—is in conflict with policies we should be adopting to encourage the use of such cars. The planned reliance on the tax on internet sales that has yet to be passed by the U.S. Congress is open to question although there is a mechanism for making up for lost funds if the tax is not enacted.

Equaling the transportation bill in importance was a compromise approved in the closing

hours of the session that opens the way for the expansion of the Medicaid program in Virginia to provide insurance for about 400,000 individuals. Governor McDonnell had opposed passage of the Affordable Care Act and had refused to go along with accepting an expanded Medicaid program until reforms were put into place. The compromise bill establishes a joint committee of legislators who will approve Virginia's entry into the program as soon as certain reforms are made. It is expected that the state could enter the program as soon as the summer. Thanks to the many persons who called and wrote to the conferees and the governor; your voice did make a difference.

As is the case with most legislation, the final results are compromises. What was reassuring about this session that I had not seen in recent years was a willingness on the part of the majority to compromise with those of us in the minority. That made for an outcome that was better for everyone. I will be writing about other outcomes of the session in future columns and will be holding public meetings to report back to you.

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"This is a great step toward addressing the transportation challenges we face in Fairfax County and the Northern Virginia region.

The Transportation Bill passed yesterday fulfills the call made by mayors and chairs of the Urban Crescent (the Northern Virginia and Hampton Roads areas) for new, sustainable funding to address our critically under-funded transportation needs.

I applaud the efforts of Sen. Richard Saslaw, Sen. Janet Howell, Del. David Albo, Del. Vivian Watts and others for reaching agreement on a funding strategy that moves us in the right direction. I am especially pleased with the commitment of \$300 million for the Silver Line, which will help to keep tolls in the Dulles Toll Road affordable for Northern Virginia motorists.

I appreciate Gov. McDonnell's leadership in making transportation funding the focus of this General Assembly Session. The successful result required compromise on both sides of the political aisle. The stars were aligned this session to make something happen but political courage and leadership were required on many fronts to pull it off."

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Creating Safer Environment, Preventing Another Tragedy

BY TIMOTHY D. HUGO
STATE DELEGATE (R-40)

After the Virginia Tech shooting in 2007, I became committed to addressing mental health issues so that many of our young people could receive the help they need in the hopes of preventing another tragedy. Working with my colleagues in 2008, the Virginia General Assembly enacted comprehensive mental health legislation including several pieces of legislation that I co-sponsored. Last year, the governor signed my legislation, HB 1075, which requires community service boards to provide hospitals with informational materials on substance and alcohol abuse services to minors.

During this year's General Assembly session, I introduced HB 1609, which strives to improve the coordination between public four-year higher education institutions, mental health facilities, and local hospitals. I introduced this legislation at the request of Centreville residents, Angel Fund President Lu Ann McNabb and Board Member Greg Richter. Angel Fund (www.angelfundva.org) was established in honor of one of the Virginia Tech victims, Westfield High School graduate Reema Samaha. The fund seeks to create an atmo-



sphere of acceptance where schools and communities have a caring, supportive, and inclusive environment to help young people.

HB 1609 ensures that all four-year public colleges and universities have mechanisms in place in order to expand services available to students seeking treatment. Specifically, it allows universities and community services boards to work together so that there is no-

tification when a student is involuntarily committed, or when a student is discharged from a facility and he consents to such notification.

During the bill's hearings, Virginia's universities unanimously testified in support for HB 1609. As this article goes to print, my legislation, along with Senator Chap Petersen's identical legislation, is before the governor for his signature.

I believe that ensuring the mental health of our children is of the utmost importance. This year's legislation is important as it will strengthen the connection between higher education institutions and mental health facilities. It will also create a safer and more supportive environment for students and may help to prevent future tragedies.

If you would like additional information on this issue, please contact me at 703-815-1201 or delthugo@house.virginia.gov.

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OPINION

Cautious Optimism

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The new team brings a welcome new approach to customer service. Unlike AQUA, they actually plan to provide it. They've already met with community leaders and are available to meet with Lake Anne users. A new interactive website for customers and home inspections with advice on system maintenance and improvement are also in the offing. AQUA had one onsite maintenance man (new owner Michael Coleman), but otherwise was totally unresponsive, often unreachable for customers.

First impressions of the new owners are positive. The facts that they are local and not a remote caretaker corporation are also reassuring. They appear to have the competence to manage the system. Whether they have a viable plan for the necessary system rehabilitation and the financial capacity implement it remains to be seen. There is cause for cautious optimism and we are all rooting for the new team to succeed.

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Building Community in Reston: Diversity, Openness and Inclusiveness. 7-9 p.m. Jo Ann Rose Gallery at Reston

Community Center Lake Anne, 1609 Washington Plaza N., Reston. A panel of 60s and 70s Reston residents including Tom Ahart, Carol Ann Bradley, Laura Thomas, Doris Briggs, J. Arthur Jones and Vern Wingert presents. 703-709-7700, restonmuseum@gmail.com or www.restonmuseum.org.

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Maria Perez-Barton and Rachael Barton of Herndon take their pets, two Pembroke Welsh corgis named Toby and Forrest, for a recreational walk every chance they get, including at places like Great Falls Park.




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Spike of Herndon, a rescued German shepherd-basset hound-corgi mix, enjoys a day at the beach with mom Gail Weber and family.



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WEDNESDAY/FEB. 27

Paint Your Own Pottery. 5:45-6:15 p.m., at the Herndon Community Center, 814 Ferndale Ave., Herndon. Children ages 5-10 can make a food-safe, finished item, to be returned one week later; paints, material, supplies and instructions provided. \$10. www.herndon-va.gov.

THURSDAY/FEB. 28

Wine Dinner. 6:30 p.m., at Il Fornaio, 11990 Market St., Suite 106, Reston. Five courses prepared with wine. \$65. 703-437-5544 or banquets.reston@ilfo.com.

2013 Xing Wen Art Studio

Exhibition. 7-9 p.m., at Reston Community Center Hunters Woods, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. This exhibition displays Xing Wen's paintings of the Yi and Tibetan ethnic groups in China. www.restoncommunitycenter.com/arts_exhibits.html.

SATURDAY/MARCH 2

A Night at the Movies: Songs from the Silver Screen. 4-7:30 p.m., at Reston Community Center, Hunters Woods, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. The Reston Chorale's 2013 Pops Concert will showcase songs from great film soundtracks—from Breakfast at Tiffany's to Amistad. \$25 for adults, \$20 for seniors/youth. 703-476-1111 or www.restonchorale.org.



"Thanatos, a Still Life Blue," by Dorothy Bonica, the League of Reston Artists' newest and youngest member.

League of Reston Artists Opens Parkridge Exhibit

Paint and Flash is the new League of Reston Artists exhibit, featuring paintings and photographs in a wide range of styles and subjects. Open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Parkridge 5 Building, 10780 Parkridge Blvd., Reston, through April 12. www.leagueofrestonartists.org.

SUNDAY/MARCH 3

Serendipitous Seven: A Fine Art Exhibition from Seven Reston Artists. 9 a.m.-8 p.m., at the Jo Ann Rose Gallery, 1609-A Washington Plaza, Reston. Serendipitous Seven synthesizes the work of seven Reston artists. www.restoncommunitycenter.com/arts_exhibits.html.

Party with a Purpose. 6-8 p.m. at Grevey's Restaurant, 8130 Arlington Blvd., Falls Church. Learn about Lost Dog & Cat Rescue Foundation volunteer opportunities for 10 weekly adoption events, fostering, transport or taking care of cats and kittens in adoption centers; door prizes and refreshments. lismarierecue@hotmail.com or lostdogbarb@gmail.com.

WEDNESDAY/MARCH 6

Pirate Party. 11 a.m.-noon., at the Reston Association, 12001 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston. The Pirate Adventure will transform your child into a pirate, complete with dress-up, games, crafts, and fun activities. Reston Association Members: \$4; Non-members: \$6. 703-435-6577 or Ashleigh@reston.org.

SATURDAY/MARCH 9

Contra Dance. 7:15-8 p.m., 8-10:45 p.m. Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. Michael Barraclough calls contra dances and squares to the music of the June Apple Band; partner not necessary. 703-476-4500.

WEDNESDAY/MARCH 13

Jigsaw Puzzle Event. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., at the Reston Association, 12001 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston. Join us as an individual or as a couple to do a Reston themed puzzle to see how much you can finish in the time allotted; coffee and lunch provided. Reston Association: \$9; Non-members: \$13. 55 years or older. 703-435-6577 or Ashleigh@reston.org.

SATURDAY/MARCH 16

Doyle Lawson & Quicksilver. 3 p.m., 7 p.m., at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1090 Sterling Road, Herndon. The many-award-winning bluegrass institutions plays with on-the-rise band. \$20; children under 12, free. 423-878-6160 or www.doylelawson.com.

St. Patrick's Celebration. 7 p.m., at the ArtSpace Herndon, 750 Center St., Herndon. Come enjoy an evening of music and merriment featuring The Treble Clefs. \$10. 703-956-6590.



PHOTOS CONTRIBUTED

A Confederate re-enactor fires at Union soldiers during the 2001 re-enactment of Capt. John Mosby's raid on Herndon. The town will host another re-enactment of the event Saturday, March 17, at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Civil War Raid Comes Downtown

March 17 marks 150 years since Mosby's raid of Herndon.

BY ALEX MCVEIGH
THE CONNECTION

On St. Patrick's day 150 years ago, Union soldiers from the First Vermont Cavalry were at the Town of Herndon depot and sawmill. They were expecting a group of reinforcements, but instead Confederate Capt. John Mosby and his unit arrived on a raid, sparking a brief skirmish.

On Sunday, March 17, the Herndon Historical Society and the Herndon Chamber of Commerce will present a re-enactment of that raid, featuring 50 cavalry members in Herndon's downtown. "The highlight of any cavalry raid is always when the cavalry makes their charge and just blasts away," said Chuck Mauro, a local historian and re-enactor coordinator.

The skirmish has been re-enacted several times in Herndon before, in 1991, 2001 and 2003, but this year's will have the most participants, members of the Black Horse Cavalry, a local group.

This year's event will also feature two re-enactments, one at 11 p.m. and one at 2 p.m. The re-enactors themselves will be around telling their stories and speaking to audience members from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

"We tried to make this year's events as in-depth as they've ever been," Mauro said. "We'll have an announcer narrating the battle from the second floor of the Green Lizard Cycling

Civil War Exhibit Open

Herndon ArtSpace's "Beyond the Blue and Grey: The Virginia Home Front" exhibit will be open until Sunday, April 7. It focuses on the aspects of Virginia that reflect life as a Virginian from 1830 to 1880, including the build-up and aftermath of the Civil War.

An opening reception for the exhibit will be held Saturday, March 2, from 7 to 9 p.m., which will feature a performance by the Towne Square Singers of Civil War-era songs.

building, and we've got handouts with the remarks on them that we'll be passing out so people can really follow along and know what they're seeing."

The raid will take place on Lynn Street near the Herndon Depot. Mauro said the best views will be the grassy area between Elden Street and Depot Street.

Nearby Herndon ArtSpace will be open, presenting their current exhibit, "Beyond the Blue and Grey: The Virginia Homefront" and selling books and videos about the Civil War.

"A Tour Guide and History of Col. John S. Mosby's Combat Operations in Fairfax, Virginia," the newest book by Mauro and Don Hakenson, will be one such book for sale. It details more than 60 sites around Fairfax County that Mosby was involved in.

More information about the raid and the re-enactment can be found at www.herndonhistoricalsociety.org.



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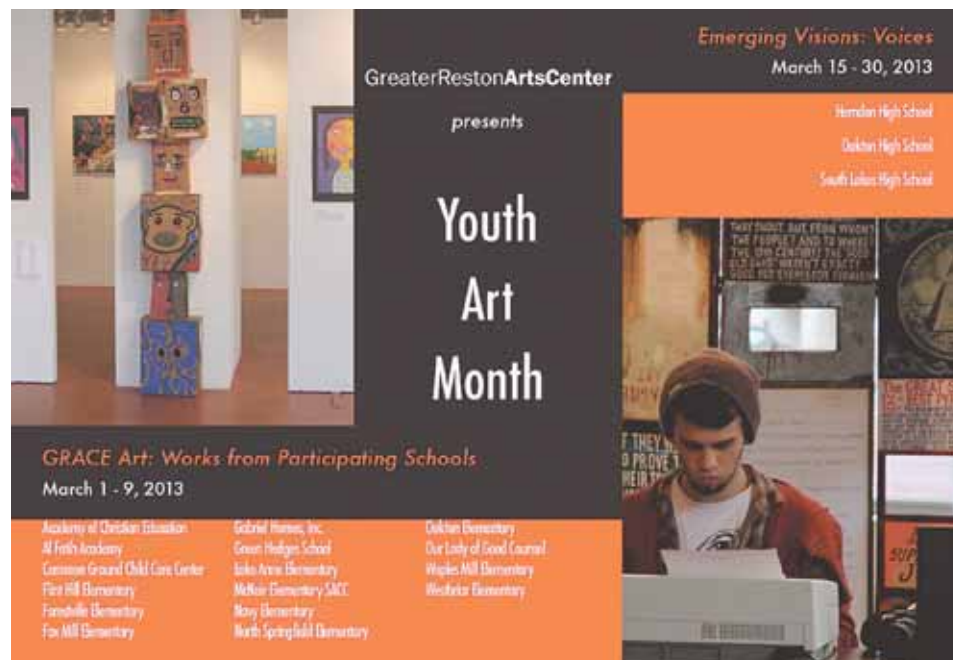
GRACE Celebrates Youth Art Month

Area students exhibit at Greater Reston Arts Center.

Greater Reston Arts Center (GRACE) will celebrate Youth Art Month by presenting two exhibitions dedicated to the artistic achievements of the area's youth.

❖ "GRACE Art: Works from Participating Schools" exhibition highlights artwork created through the Greater Reston Arts Center's signature educational program, GRACE Art. Over 40 area schools participate in this program, in which classroom volunteers deliver an interactive art history lesson with visuals followed by an engaging hands-on art project designed to reinforce the lesson. Sixteen schools have elected to participate in the exhibition including:

Academy of Christian Education, Al Fatih Academy, Common Ground Child Care Center, Flint Hill Elementary, Forestville Elementary, Fox Mill Elementary, Gabriel Homes, Inc., Green Hedges School, Lake Anne Elementary, McNair Elementary SACC program, Navy Elementary, North Springfield Elementary, Oakton Elementary, Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic School, Waples Mill Elementary and Westbriar El-



Youth Art Month post card, courtesy of Greater Reston Arts Center.

ementary.

❖ "Emerging Visions: Voices" exhibition offers Fairfax County high school students the opportunity to exhibit their work in a professional gallery setting. Students from Herndon, Oakton, and South Lakes High Schools will create works specifically for this exhibition. Many of the artists were inspired by their engagement with GRACE's fall ex-

hibition, Campaign RE/Form, curated by DC performance artist Holly Bass. Bass selected 12 artists from multiple disciplines to transform GRACE into an interactive campaign office that highlighted many of the political and social dialogues taking place during the 2012 Presidential Election. Taking a cue from the Campaign RE/Form exhibition, 45 young artists from the three area

When and Where

❖ GRACE Art: Works from Participating Schools, March 1-9, 2013. Opening Reception: Saturday, March 2, 5-7 p.m.
❖ Emerging Visions: Voices, March 15-30, 2013. Opening reception: Friday, March 15, 5-7 p.m.
Gallery Hours: Tuesdays through Saturdays, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.
Address: 12001 Market Street, Suite 103, Reston.
www.restonarts.org/exhibitions or 703-471-9242.

high schools have used a variety of media to explore subjects important to them.

Programming during the exhibitions include:

❖ TGIF: Free Friday, March 1, 5-7 p.m.—Families with children ages 1 and up. Free event, registration required.

❖ Appetite for Art: GRACE Art Lesson for Adults, Monday, March 4, 10:30 a.m.-noon. Ages 18 and up. Registration required. \$10.

❖ Super Studio Monday, March 18, 3:30-5 p.m. Children ages 7 to 10. Registration required. \$15. These hands-on art workshops are influenced by exhibitions at the Greater Reston Arts Center. In each session children will cultivate their creativity and curiosity and will create art using a variety of materials.

❖ Appetite for Art: Discussion with participating Emerging Visions student artists. Thursday, March 21, 7-8:30 p.m. Ages 14 and up. \$10 for adults, students free. Registration required.

Candidates' Forum

Reston Association Board of Directors



Meet the 2013 Reston Association Board Candidates

Several RA Members have made application and you will have an opportunity to meet the 2013 Board Candidates during a Forum scheduled for **Monday, March 4, at 7 p.m.** at **RA's Headquarters** located at **12001 Sunrise Valley Drive.**

RSVP requested ElectionsCommittee@reston.org or 703-435-6530.

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SPORTS



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South Lakes junior Abigail Rendle scored 14 points, grabbed 12 rebounds and blocked nine shots against Edison on Saturday, Feb. 23.

South Lakes junior Sasha Sprei shoots against a pair of Edison defenders in the Northern Region championship game on Feb. 2.

South Lakes Girls' Basketball Advances to States

Seahawks lose to Edison in Northern Region final.

BY JON ROETMAN
THE CONNECTION

The South Lakes girls' basketball team experienced the high of reaching 20 victories, the low of losing in the district tournament semifinals and the stressful bliss of winning three regional contests by a combined five points. And while the Seahawks slipped in blowing a 17-point lead in the region final, the good news for South Lakes is there is still a chance to end the 2012-13 season on a high note.

South Lakes lost to Edison 60-52 on Saturday, Feb. 23, in the Northern Region tournament championship game at Robinson Secondary School. The Seahawks led 20-5 at the end of the first quarter and by as many as 17 points in the first half, but the Eagles chipped away at the deficit and took over the game in the fourth quarter.

The loss did not end South Lakes' season, however, as the Seahawks' victory against Oakton in the semifinals secured them a state berth. South Lakes will face Northwest Region champion Stonewall Jackson in the first round of the AAA VHSL state tournament at 6:45 p.m. on Friday, March 1, at Robinson.

South Lakes earned victory No. 20 when it beat Marshall in the opening round of the Liberty District tournament on Feb. 12. But two days later, the Seahawks, who entered the tournament as the No. 1 seed, lost to defending district champion Madison, 55-52.

South Lakes recovered from the defeat, winning

three regional tournament games in four days by a combined five points. The Seahawks beat Chantilly 42-40 in the opening round on Feb. 18. The following evening, South Lakes knocked off National District champion Mount Vernon 46-45 on a buzzer-beater from guard Caitlin Jensen. On Feb. 21, the Seahawks beat defending state champion Oakton 48-46 in the semifinals.

"First of all, I'm really proud of my team for making it this far," South Lakes senior Gabrielle Schultz said after losing to Edison in the region final. "We didn't make it to the championship in our district, which is a very big disappointment. Advancing all the way to the regional championship shows how mentally tough we are and how we were able to come out of a loss from the district tournament strong and ready to keep competing."

South Lakes center Abigail Rendle finished with 14 points, 12 rebounds and nine blocks in the region final. She had eight points, six boards and five blocks at the half, but had also been whistled for three fouls. She picked up her fourth foul with 2:28 remaining in the fourth quarter and Edison leading 53-50.

While Rendle was a shot-blocking force for South Lakes, Edison freshman guard Jada Graves continued driving to the rim. She finished with 23 points, including 22 in the second half.

"I'm not scared of anybody," the 5-foot-9 Graves said about going against the 6-foot-2 Rendle. "I'm going to take it and try to get her in foul trouble. If she blocks it, [I'll] go again."

Senior Mary Severin scored 13 points for South Lakes and Schultz finished with 12.

Graves was named tournament MVP. Rendle and Schultz were named to the all-tournament team.



South Lakes girls' basketball coach Christy Winters-Scott.



PHOTO BY CRAIG STERBUTZEL

Oakton girls' basketball coach Fred Priester talks to the Cougars during a game against Centreville on Jan. 18.

Oakton Girls' Basketball Loses in Region Semifinals

Standout Manner forced to watch with fractured thumb.

BY JON ROETMAN
THE CONNECTION

The Oakton girls' basketball team trailed by nine points midway through the fourth quarter of its regional semifinal matchup with South Lakes on Feb. 21. Meanwhile, Oakton senior Elizabeth Manner, a first-team all-region selection, sat on the bench with her fractured left thumb in a cast, unable to help while the Cougars' season was slipping away.

South Lakes had opened the final quarter on a 9-0 run. Oakton responded by showing the resiliency of a defending state champion.

Karlle Cronin scored the Cougars' first bucket of the quarter with 3:52 remaining. Then, Lindsey Abed converted a three-point play, cutting South Lakes' lead to four with 2:49 on the clock.

Oakton would have a chance to tie with less than 20 seconds remaining, but the Cougars' quest for a second consecutive state title would fall short of reaching the state tournament.

Oakton lost to South Lakes 48-46 in the semifinals of the Northern Region tournament at Robinson Secondary School. Down by three, Abed made a two-point bucket with about five seconds remaining, cutting the Seahawks lead to one. South Lakes added a free throw with 3.2 seconds on the clock and the Cougars' ensuing half-court heave was off the mark.

Oakton led 28-24 midway through the third quarter despite the absence of 6-foot-1 center Manner, who fractured her left thumb against McLean in the opening round of regionals on Feb. 18, but the

Cougars couldn't hold on.

"We expect everybody to do their job and sometimes their job changes," Oakton head coach Fred Priester said. "It changed the last couple games because Elizabeth wasn't there. Everybody did what they had to do. It was a game where we played pretty well and they just played two free throws better."

Oakton, which finished runner-up to Centreville in the Concorde District, ending a streak of eight consecutive district titles, defeated McLean 42-33 in its regional opener. The victory was costly, however, as the Cougars lost Manner to injury. Without their standout center, the Cougars defeated T.C. Williams 46-36 in the quarterfinals on Feb. 19, but fell short against South Lakes.

"As every athlete knows, it's obviously hard [and] it sucks," Manner said about watching from the bench as the Cougars lost to the Seahawks. "I'm extremely proud of them."

Abed, a sophomore who was named to the all-tournament team, finished with 17 points against South Lakes. Freshman Alex Marquis scored 11 points, senior Angela Sickels and sophomore Cronin each had eight and senior Helen Roberts added two.

Oakton finished the season with a 22-5 record.

"It's been a great year for us and it really shows the heart of this team," Sickels said about Oakton competing without Manner. "... [I'll remember the] girls on the team, how much they helped me grow as a person and as a leader, and what I learned about teamwork and determination. I'm going to take that with me the rest of my life."

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Herndon Reston Youth Softball Takes on New Commissioner

Veteran fastpitch softball player and coach Jordan Foster says she's ready for the challenge of leading the Herndon Reston Youth Softball League as Commissioner Bob Thomas retires and a new slate of officers takes the helm.

The growing girls' fastpitch softball league, serving players ages 6 to 18 in the greater Herndon-Reston area, will take on Foster to take the baton from Bob Thomas, who helped build a good name for the league.

Foster graduated from George Mason University and has been active in softball for 15 years. A Reston native, she played house league for Reston Youth Softball and was a member of the Reston Red-birds travel organization.

She attended South Lakes High School, where she played on the Varsity team for four years and where she is currently entering her second year as the assistant junior varsity coach. Foster has been part of the HRYS community since 2011, coaching teams ranging in age from 10 to 18.

In addition to Foster's appointment, the board elected Coach Melissa Pickell as registrar and



Jordan Foster

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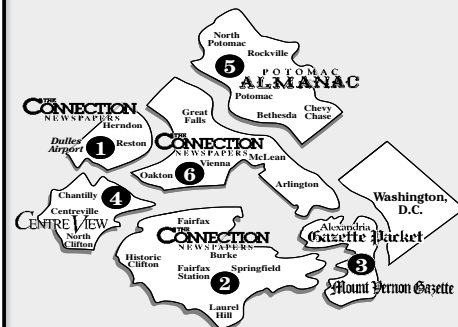
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That is my question. And though I can't quite quote Shakespeare the way I can quote The Three Stooges: "Moe, Larry, the cheese. Moe, Larry, the cheese," "tis nobler" to ask it nonetheless. Still, if Hamlet had been diagnosed with a terminal form of cancer, as I have, perhaps he wouldn't have been contemplating suicide but rather allocating his monthly budget – as I do every day, with nearly every purchase. That's my dream, "perchance" or otherwise.

Given that I'm not heir to a fortune, but rather fortunate to still be here, what dollars I earn – and in turn spend, are dollars whose expenditure has to make sense (at least add up, anyway). As a result, I'm always thinking "what if," as in "what if" I'm spending money now on relative incidentals, money that I might need later for more important health and welfare-type costs? And I'm not discussing comfort foods, either. I'm discussing in-home care and/or miscellaneous other cancer-related expenses that can't exactly be paid out of petty cash. Expenses that generally don't take care of themselves any more than cancer takes care of itself. Moreover, though little I know about health and fitness and subsequent complications, I do know my medical ABCs: Anything But Cancer.

However, cancer has become the name of my game and living with it the greatest challenge of my life. Do I ignore it? Do I give in to it? Do I adjust to it? As much as I want to "live long and prosper," and live as normally with my diagnosis as I would live without it, that compromised life expectancy/mortality thing tends to rear its ugly, uncontrollable head. The subconscious control it exerts over me is not so much scary as it is uncomfortable – and somewhat uncharacteristic of who I am and how I want to be. Unfortunately, I can't change the way I think now/how I'm influenced any more than this life-long member of Red Sox Nation can become a New York Yankee fan. It's almost as if your personality profile/tendencies are genetically transformed because of the mutations in your cells brought about by the cancer being triggered somehow. You know what you're doing. You think you know why you're doing it. But you still can't stop yourself from doing it. This preoccupation seems to manifest itself most when I am spending money. I always ask myself if I really need that item now. And if I do need it now, how long might I actually need it for. And how long I might need it for determines the level of financial commitment I'm willing to make. After all, are we talking days, weeks, months or years?

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