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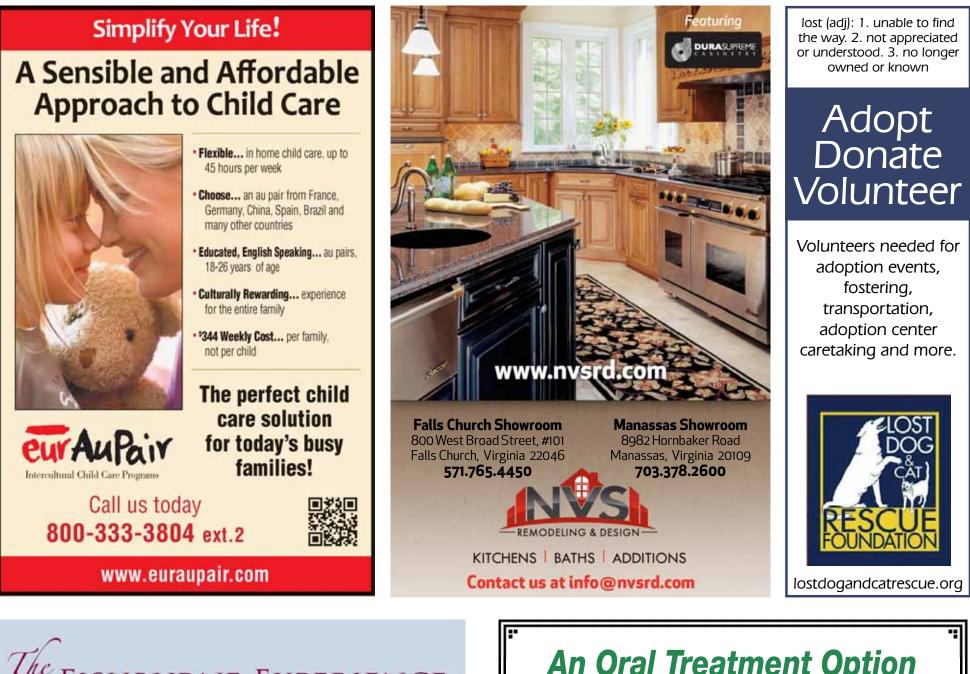
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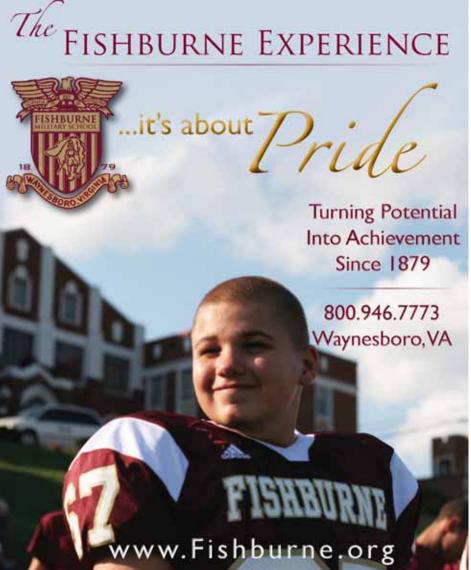
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Oakton East, a Stanley Martin townhome development, is billed as a "downsizer's dream." The 35 "large, luxury townhomes" begin at \$700,000 for 2,700 to 3,800 square feet of finished living space. On Friday, construction crews began work early on the development, which is almost sold out. For more information, go to www.stanleymartin.com.

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A construction worker frames the second story of a townhome in Pulte's MetroWest development, a new Fairfax infill development of 50 homes that includes luxury condos and townhomes in the \$550,000 to \$800,000 range. For more information, go to www.pulte.com/communities/va/fairfax/metrowest.

# Housing's Roaring Rebound?

Pent-up demand creates seller's market for Northern Virginia real estate.

> By Victoria Ross The Connection Newspapers

n February, Patricia Stack, a broker with Weichert Realtors, held an open house for a than 70 people toured the home.

"The home went under contract substantially above list price, Stack said. "2013 has started with a bang in Northern Virginia real estate. In fact, it ap-

pears to be a market more like 2005-2006 than anything we've seen since, Stack said.

"Buyers seem finally to be realizing that prices have bottomed out and the current combination of low prices and historically low interest rates will likely not be repeated in our lifetimes, Stack said.

Alison Sherman, an agent with Keller-Williams in McLean, is seeing the same trend. In the spring, she sold a home in Vienna in three days with multiple offers.

The 5-bedroom Colonial, built in 1976 on Ferol Drive, listed for just under \$1 million, and sold \$132,000 above list price.

"It's a great time to sell your home. Statistics show the average sales price is up and the average days on market are down, Sherman said.

Buoyed by low mortgage rates, low regional unemployment, growth in the number of households and rising consumer confidence, the residential realestate market in Fairfax County and the rest of Northern Virginia has rebounded in a big way.

Unlike the last five years, demand is up and supply is down. In fact, in some particularly desirable neighborhoods, the transition from a buyer's market to a seller's market is all but complete.

Call it the new "reality in realty.

"There is an oversupply of buyers and less invensingle-family home for sale in Vienna just tory right now in the market, said Anil Khanna, a listed for \$739,000. Within three hours, more real estate broker with Champion Homes Realty in

Chantilly. "I have seen it to be a seller's market based on the number of offers I Real Estate Focus have seen with the properties that I have bid on for buyers.

Khanna added that low interest rates are beginning to rise, and that has created a sense of urgency with buyers.

According to Freddie Mac, the rate for a 30-year, conventional, fixed-rate mortgage rose to 3.54 percent in May from 3.45 percent in April.

"Many buyers are trying to purchase something this year rather than next, due to the anticipated increase in interest rates, Khanna said.

Despite some similarities to the boom period in housing nearly a decade ago, market conditions that led to the housing bust are vastly different, according to national housing experts.

"The boom period was marked by easy credit and overbuilding, but today we have tight mortgage credit and widespread shortages of homes for sale, See Demand, Page 9



Local developer John Sekas created Oakcrest Farms, an "ensemble of seven high-end single-family homes selling for more than \$1.5 million with at least 5,000 square feet." The development is embedded in the original Oakcrest Farms community, which has 54 colonial-style homes built in the 1980s. Located off Hunter Mill Road between Vale Road and Route 123, the development has sold four of the seven homes, which feature gourmet kitchens, stone fireplaces and two-story family rooms, and optional media rooms. For more information, go to www.sekashomes.com.

# Gubernatorial Candidates Speak in Reston

Northern Virginia **Technology Council** hosts Ken Cuccinelli, Terry McAuliffe.

> By Alex McVeigh THE CONNECTION

he Northern Virginia Technology Council hosted Virginia's two gubernatorial candidates Thursday, June 20 at Microsoft's Reston offices. Republican Ken Cuccinelli and Democrat Terry McAuliffe spoke about their goals for Virginia if elected, and also answered questions from panelists and audience members.

Cuccinelli, a former state senator for the 37th District, is currently Virginia's attorney general, winning election to that position in 2009. McAuliffe is a former chair of the Democratic National Committee, and he co-chaired Bill Clinton's 1996 campaign, as well as Hilary Clinton's 2008 presidential campaign.

BOTH CANDIDATES said they are interested in helping Virginia weather tough economic times, particularly with the current sequestration dragging on, and the very real



From left, Virginia gubernatorial candidates Ken Cuccinelli and Terry McAuliffe address members of the Northern Virginia Technology Council Thursday, June 20.

possibility of reduced federal spending in the near future.

McAuliffe said Virginia must diversify its economy, and that he has an open mind when it comes to attracting businesses, and said he is prepared to examine any and all kinds of incentives.

"What's going to diversify our economy more than anything else is going to be IT. We are the leaders here in Northern Virginia, and I plan to take it to the next level," he said. "Will I roll back any federal regulations that could adversely affect Virginia families or businesses? You bet. Like a dog to a bone, I'm going to do everything within my power."

Cuccinelli said he would place less emphasis on incentives to lure businesses here, instead said he prefers to make the business climate one of the most friendly in the nation.

"[Incentives] do have a role to play. It's something that we have to be careful with, because we don't want to give unfair advantages to people, particularly if they're paid for by the folks who have already put roots down here," he said. "It isn't enough to be the best place to do business. My goal

for Virginia, especially Northern Virginia, it to make it foolish to leave. We're going to have an awful lot of entrepreneurs right here that are going to be making that decision."

McAuliffe said that a key part in attracting businesses is fixing the transportation problems in the region. He quoted statistics that said Northern Virginia drivers spend 67 hours per year in traffic, compared to 43 in Hampton Roads, which translates to billions of dollars lost in traffic.

"I think mass transit is something great for Virginia. It gets cars off of roads and puts people into mass transit and it's a huge driver for economic development," he said.

Cuccinelli said he felt a major change is needed in how Virginia addresses transportation problems, and cited that as a reason for why he didn't support the recent state transportation funding bill.

"One of the problems with this bill is that it didn't address what I believe are some of the fundamental challenges of transportation. We are over centralized, we're one of the four most centralized states for transportation funding and decision making, and that's a problem. We need the localities and regions to have more autonomy from Richmond," he said. "If I'm elected, one measure of success will be that four years from now, the governor will have less power when it comes to transportation."



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The NVTA members listen to one of about 20 speakers who took to the floor to comment on the transportation projects proposed for Northern Virginia in Fiscal Year 2014.

# Paving 'Virginia's Road to the Future'

Transportation Authority solicits public input on first year of proposed projects.

> By Andrea Worker The Connection

ity Hall in the City of Fairfax was the location of the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) June 20 Open House and Public Hearing, seeking public opinion on proposed regional transportation projects. The Authority was created by the Virginia General Assembly in 2002 to provide a common voice for all Northern Virginia stakeholders on transporta-

tion and related issues. The Authority is made up of representatives from the counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun and Prince William, the cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Manassas and Manassas Park, and one representative for the towns of Herndon, Leesburg, Purcellville, Dumfries and Vienna. The group also includes several members of the Virginia Assembly, governor appointees and non-voting representatives from the Virginia Department of Transportation and the Department of Rail and Public Transportation.

The NVTA's mandate includes developing both immediate and long-range transportation plans, the most recent being the

TransAction 2040 Plan. They advocate for regional transportation needs before both state and federal governments, and support initiatives to relieve congestion and improve air quality in the region. With all the affected jurisdictions working together, the Authority helps coordinate transportation plans among them and helps to streamline the process for garnering and allocating federal funds.

In the 11 years since it's creation, the NVTA has been studying, planning, advocating and combining their strengths and nonfinancial resources, but the impact of the Authority's efforts were limited by lack of state funds. Then came "Virginia's Road to the www.ConnectionNewspapers.com

Future"—HB 2313. During the 2013 session the Virginia General Assembly approved HB 2313-the state's first comprehensive transportation funding plan in 27 years. In what Governor McDonnell described as "technically a transportation bill, but at the end of the day, it's a jobs bill, HB 2313 will provide more than \$3.4 billion in statewide transportation funding, with an estimated \$1.9 billion to be dedicated to the needs of Northern Virginia over the next six years. The bi-partisan legislation is designed to be a sustainable revenue source for tackling the state's transportation challenges, but according to McDonnell, in addition it will ultimately sustain 13,000-plus new jobs and have more than \$9.5 billion in economic impact.

Seventy percent of the funds collected from a variety of new or modified tax revenue streams will go

to the NVTA to be used on regional projects. The other 30 percent will go directly to the individual jurisdictions. With the fiscal year about to begin on July 1st, the Authority is pulling out all the stops to educate the public on HB 2313, on the Authority's structure and its decision-making process, and on the projects being proposed. In addition to the educational component of the Open House, the NVTA put out the call for public commentary and input.

The event began with an opportunity to examine the 33 projects proposed for funding in the first year. Twelve are classified as roadway projects and 21 as transit/ multimodal endeavors, with a cost split of 58 percent to the roads and

42 percent to the transit/multimodal. Divided into "corridors, written material was provided on each project, and maps showing location and impact on each corridor were on display. Members of the NTVA and the JACC (Jurisdictional Agency Coordinating Committee who serve as the staff for the NVTA) were on hand at each display to explain the projects, answer questions and listen to comments. The projects range from adding buses to widening roads, adding a second platform at the VRE Lorton station to providing pedestrian access to transit stations.

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# **RCA** Announces **Board Candidates** Online elections June 26 to July 10.

Association (RCA) re-

leased the slate of candidates for its 2013 Board of Directors election. Founded in 1967, the Reston Citizens Association (RCA) represents the citizens of Reston on political and social issues, including planning, development, transportation, education, environment, accessibility and more. RCA is committed to preserving Bob Simon's founding principles and New Town vision as Reston moves forward as an established community.

The following seats are up for election: president, North Point director, Lake Anne/Tall Oaks/ Town Center director, South Lakes director, Hunters Woods director, and two At-Large directors. Each seat carries a twoyear term, except for president, which has a one-year term.

Running for president are incumbent Colin Mills and board member Gary Lee Thomas.

Mills, 34, is a lifelong Restonian who is completing his second year as RCA president. He had previously served on the RCA Board from 2005 to 2010, and as vice chair of the Reston Community Center (RCC) Board of Governors. He is Bob Simon's alternate on the Reston Master Plan Task Force. Mills hopes to have RCA facilitate a community-wide discussion on Reston's future. He also hopes to strengthen RCA's ties to other community organizations, and improve RCA's two-way communication with Reston citizens.

Thomas is currently serving as an At-Large RCA Board member; he has been in office for one year and serves on RCA's Education Committee. He also served two previous terms on the RCA Board. He is the president-elect of the Sunrise Valley Elementary PTA, and is a former chapter president of the Reston Jaycees. If elected, Thomas would focus on fundraising and community events. He hopes to start events such as a Reston Mini-Maker Faire, RCA Reston Spelling Bee, and RCA Reston Dirt Bike Race.

Gary Walker is seeking re-election as Lake Anne/Tall Oaks/ Town Center director. Walker has lived in Reston for over 20 RCA Board since 2011. He is the chair of RCA's Technology Committee, and spearheaded the recent re-launch of RCA's website

he Reston Citizens and newsletter. He hopes to help RCA craft action steps to meet its strategic goals, and to ensure that RCA speaks for the community. He calls for the citizens of Reston to have a voice in the community's future.

Joe Leighton is standing for election as South Lakes director. Leighton, a 32-year Reston resident, is currently secretary of the Reston Association (RA) Board, and he served as an RA Board member for 12 years. He also serves as the treasurer of the Association of Reston Clusters and Homeowners (ARCH), and is a former president of the Wethersfield Cluster Association. He seeks to preserve neighborhoods in South Reston, maintain open space, strengthen public transportation, and improve the lighting and sidewalks in Reston. Two candidates are seeking

election to the two open Hunters Woods Director seats.

John Hanley, RCA's sitting vice president, is seeking reelection. Hanley has served on the RCA Board since 2009, and he is a former co-chair of the Reston 20/20 Committee and former chair of the Elections Committee. He intends to expand the work of RCA and Reston 20/20 to improve Reston's quality of life and plan for new development in the community. He calls for protection of Reston's classic values and for the community to grow in an ordered fashion.

Connie Hartke, a first-time RCA candidate, is seeking the other Hunters Woods seat. Hartke is a board member of Rescue Reston and a volunteer with the Reston Triathlon, Reston Marathon, and Herndon-Reston FISH. She has also been an activist for palliative and hospice care. She hopes to help Restonians understand the important issues facing the community, using RCA as a platform to distribute information in an easy-to-understand format.

Tammi Petrine is running for reelection to an At-Large director seat. Petrine has lived in Reston for 37 years, and she has served on the RCA Board since 2007. She is the co-chair of the Reston 20/20 Committee and also serves as vice president of the Fairway Cluster Asyears, and he has served on the sociation. She was a founder of the Reston Institute for the Arts and founder of the Soapstone/Myrtle Neighborhood Watch.

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**Rob Whitfield with the Dulles Corridor Users** Group based in Reston.

# OPINION Ready for Your Pet's Close-up?

he Pet Connection, a bi-annual themed edition, will publish July 24. We invite you to send us stories about your pets, photos of you and/or your family with your cats, dogs, hamsters, snakes, lizards, frogs, rabbits, or whatever other creatures share your home or yard with you.

Tell us the story of a special bond between a child and a dog, the story of how you came to adopt your pet, or examples of amazing feats of your creatures. Can your dog catch a Frisbee 10 feet in the air, or devour an entire pizza when you turn your back for

less than a minute?

Editorials Do you volunteer at an animal shelter or therapeutic riding center or take your pet to visit people in a nursing home? Tell us about your experience.

You can also take this opportunity to memorialize a pet you have lost.

Send photos and identify everyone in the photo including the pets and tell us what is happening in the photo, and include your ad-

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Foster Care Training Offered This July

To the Editor:

Every day, children come into the foster care system and need a temporary home. To ease the burden of moving and change, foster care programs make it a priority to place children within their own school system. With this goal in mind, Northern Virginia Family Service (NVFS) is recruiting adults from every community in Northern Virginia to participate in its next foster parent training, July 13, 20 and 27, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the NVFS office in Oakton. Coffee and a light lunch will be provided.

The training is the first step into becoming a certified foster parent, and is also required for families interested in providing short-term weekend foster care. Trainees will learn about the foster care system; how NVFS supports foster parents, including round-the-clock access to case managers; and best practices in foster care. Families must complete a home study, and foster parents must be at least 21 years old.

To register or for more information about becoming a foster parent through NVFS, visit www.nvfs.org/fostercare, or contact Ginny Snaider, LCSW, NVFS training and placement supervisor, 571-748-2557 at or gsnaider@nvfs.org.

Northern Virginia Family Service is a private, nonprofit organization dress (we will only print the town name). Submissions should arrive by July 18.

Email editors@connectionnewspapers.com, or submit photos and stories directly on our website at www.connectionnewspapers.com/ pets/.

## **Careful While Going** Faster

If you have driven on the new 495 Express Lanes, you might wonder if the people who decided to raise the speed limit to 65 have driven on them. At the current prices, the Express Lanes are appealing whenever you really need to get somewhere and you have doubts about the flow of traffic.

But the first few times you drive on the Express Lanes, they are confusing. Which Tysons' exit do I take for the Ritz Carlton? Will it be on the left or the right? When I get off, will I have to deal with a stop light, a stop sign or a merge? What on earth is the

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driver next to me doing?

The Express Lanes are not attracting as many drivers as predicted, so now there is the added incentive of being able to go faster in those lanes than on the rest of the Beltway where the speed limit is 55 even if there isn't backed up traffic on the other lanes.

## Changes July 1

Many actions of the 2013 General Assembly go into effect July 1.

Here are three things to know that kick in July 1:

✤ Sales tax increases to 6 percent in Northern Virginia to help pay for transportation. Texting while driving becomes a primary

offense, meaning that you can be pulled over if an officer sees you using your phone or thinks you are texting because you are looking down. Mandatory minimum sentence of one year

in jail for those repeatedly convicted of driving (or boating) under the influence. (Repeatedly in this case means the third time.)

dedicated to helping vulnerable families and children. Each year, NVFS helps nearly 30,000 people find safe and stable housing, children and youth services, affordable health care, workforce development programs and emergency services through a variety of community-funded programs and

initiatives. NVFS is an innovator of efficient and comprehensive service methods, and has been recognized nationally for its effectiveness in creating sustained financial and social independence for its clients.

> **Jacqueline Pujol** Oakton

## Train To Help In Emergencies

To the Editor:

The National Capital Region's 3rd annual Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Convention, hosted by the Fairfax County CERT Team, will take place June 28-29 at the Northern Virginia Community College, Annandale Campus.

CERTCon 2013 is a two-day seminar/functional exercise that offers training, networking and sharing of best practices to CERT members in the National Capital Region.

Saturday, June 29, will feature a lecture series from practicing professionals in the fields of emergency management, public health preparedness, and disaster psychology. The speakers are drawn

from a variety of organizations and agencies, including FEMA, NOAA, Virginia Task Force-1 (TF-1), and the National Association for Search & Rescue. Topics will include Stress and Trauma Management for First Responders, Pet First Aid, WMD & IED threat picture, Communications during a disaster, People with disabilities and disasters, Search and Rescue, Wilderness First Aid, Hazmat, and how to conduct Windshield Sur-

Sunday, June 30, will feature a hands-on drill at the former Lorton reformatory which is now used as a disaster training site. This exercise will give the participants an opportunity to sharpen and advance their skills and work together as a multijurisdictional team.

CERT members go through 36 hours of training at their local Fire and Rescue academies. Training provides a basic understanding of fire suppression, search and rescue, disaster medical operations and team organization.

The CERT program began in 1985 in Los Angeles, Calif., after recognizing that large-scale disasters overwhelmed emergency response teams. Through FEMA grants to local jurisdictions civilians are trained to respond to emergencies or assist emergency esponders arriving on the s All training and equipment is provided free of charge to the CERT participant.

This year CERTCon 2013 will host teams from Alexandria, Fairfax County and Fairfax City, Arlington, Manassas and Manassas Park and Prince William County. Montgomery County and Prince George County team members will be attending and other Maryland CERTs as far away as Baltimore are expected. The District of Columbia is sending representatives from their team in addition to Georgetown University, American University and Gallaudet University CERT team members.

If you are interested in participating at CERTCon as an actor victim or a rescuer, visit http:// certcon2013.eventbrite.com, to register.

To contact any of the Fairfax County CERT leadership, send the directly email to fire.CERT@fairfaxcounty.gov.

> **Mike Piccione** Fairfax County CERT team

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The Connection welcomes views on any public issue. The deadline for all material is noon Friday. Letters must be signed. Include home address and home and business numbers. Letters are routinely edited for libel, grammar, good taste and factual errors. Send to:

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## OPINION

## Northern Virginia's Health

By Kenneth R. "Ken" Plum STATE DELEGATE (D-36)

he 2.2 million people in the Northern Virginia communities of Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun and Prince William counties and Alexandria, Fairfax,

Falls Church, Manassas and Manassas Park cities live in the most populous region in the commonwealth and in some of the wealthiest jurisdictions in the nation. Generally, the region is quite healthy. According to the "County Health Rankings" published by the Robert Wood

## COMMENTARY

Wisconsin Population Health Institute, seven of the nine jurisdictions in Northern Virginia ranked in the top 10 of 133 Virginia cities and counties on various health measures.

As I learned recently, however, by attending the Northern Virginia Health Foundation's Northern Virginia Health Summit, it is important to look in detail at some of the health outcomes to most accurately understand the health of our region. The foundation's report, "How Healthy Is Northern Virginia: A Look at the Latest Community Health Indicators" provides those details (www.novahealthfdn.org). The most obvious challenge to the region's good health is obesity. More than a million adults and a quarter of all youth can be classified as overweight or obese. At the same time, there is the remarkable statistic that 35 percent of all kindergarten to 12th grade students are eligible for free or reduced priced lunch. Statistics from other reports show that these students are less likely to perform as well as students from more affluent homes. More than 400,000 adults are reported as not having been to a dental visit in the last two years. Also in the region, more than 5,000 pregnant women give

#### Bulletin Board

To have community events listed in the Connection, send to herndon@connectionnewspapers.com by the Friday prior to the following week's paper.

#### **THURSDAY/JUNE 27**

Family Budgeting. 4-6:30 p.m., at Leadership Fairfax Office, 8230 Old Courthouse Road, Vienna. A meeting on the topics of protecting family, budgeting, saving with a purpose and choosing a financial advisor. https://

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ing early prenatal care.

Multiple factors affect the health of any region. Although the Northern Virginia region is wealthy, there continues to be many low and marginal income people in the area. Reston-Herndon, Central Bailey's Fairfax,

Crossroads and the Route 1 Corridor have a higher concentration of persons at or below the federal poverty level. For more specific information on the demographics and health of the counties in Virto

www.countyhealthcalculator.org. The population of Northern Virginia is very diverse; about 42 percent of the population is Hispanic, Asian and African American among other racial and ethnic

Many of the conditions that contribute to poor health are preventable. Access to healthy foods and physical activity are critical as are healthy housing, clean air and water, and safe neighborhoods and workplaces. The biggest personal health-related behavior causes of death include tobacco use, poor diet and exercise, abuse of alcohol and drugs, firearms and motor vehicles.

Health Foundation has provided us with a diagnosis of the region's health, it is up to policy makers and community leaders to do something about it. I will continue to work to ensure that the Medicaid program is expanded in Virginia because it is the single most important thing that can be done to bring the uninsured into medical coverage.

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rom the participants at the summit, it was obvious to me that the community organizations and government agencies are willing to collaborate to ensure the best health of the Northern Virginia region.

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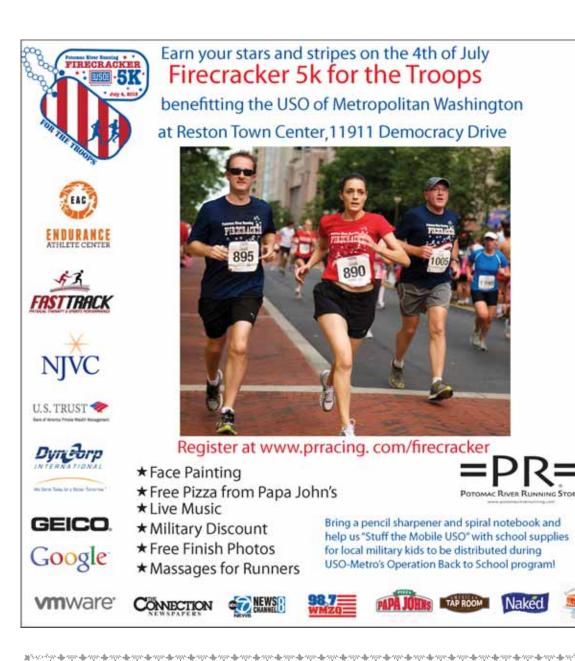
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**MONDAY/JULY 22** 







## **Guest Dealers**

South Lakes' All Night Grad Party, held Friday, June 14 after graduation, had three guest dealers from the FCPS School Board: Ryan McElveen, Chairman Ilryong Moon and (pictured here) Pat Hynes, Hunter Mill **District FCPS School Board member.** 

### Faith Notes

Faith Notes are for announcements and events in the faith community, including special holiday services. Send to reston@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Thursday.

**Trinity Presbyterian Church**, 651 Dranesville Road, Herndon, has Sunday worship services at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Nursery and childcare are provided and youth and adult Sunday school classes are held prior, from 9:40-10:45 a.m. 703-437-5500 or www.trinityherndon.org.

Vajrayogini Buddhist Center, Unitarian Universalist Church, 1625 Wiehle Ave., Reston, holds monthly classes for the general public which use Buddhist teachings to practice meditation. www.meditation-dc.org or 202-986-2257.

**Trinity Presbyterian Church,** 651 Dranesville Road in Herndon, has Sunday Worship Service at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. nurserv and childcare are available during worship services. Youth and Adult Sunday School is held Sun-days from 9:40-10:45 a.m. 703-437-5500 or www.trinityherndon.org.

St. Anne's Episcopal Church, 1700 Wainwright Drive in Reston, holds Sunday services at 7:45 a.m., 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m. and contemporary service at 5 p.m. nursery, Sunday School and Adult Education available. Morning Prayer on Monday at 9:30, Holy Eucharist Wednesday at 8:15 a.m. 703-437-6530 or www.stannesreston.org.

Adult Sunday school will be held 9:30 a.m. Sundays at the Washington Plaza Baptist Church at Lake Anne Village Center. The group is studying the

Gospel of Mark. Services follow at 11

HAVEN of Northern Virginia offers a variety of free bereavement support groups, meeting on a weekly basis. Contact 703-941-7000 or www.havenofnova.org for schedules and registration information.

The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington and the Jewish Outreach Institute offer the Mothers/ Parents Circle, an umbrella of free educational events and resources. Jewish rituals, ethics and the creation of a Jewish home, regular meetings and group Shabbats and holidays. Participants include Sha'are Shalom, Congregation Beth Emeth, Temple Rodef Shalom and the Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia. ShalomDC.org.

The Baha'i community of McLean holds a weekly fireside, a meeting of discussion, devotion and fellowship, at 7500 Box Elder Court in McLean, at 8 p.m. every Friday. An op-portunity to learn about the Baha'i faith. 703-556-3400.

**Epiphany United Methodist Pre**school, 1014 Country Club Drive, N.E. in Vienna, is now enrolling 3-4-year-old students for the 2010/2011 school year. Contact 703-938-2391 www.epiphanypreschool.com.

Hope Fellowship Church will temporarily be meeting at Woody's Golf Range, 11801 Leesburg Pike, Herndon. Sunday Worship Services for the Southern Baptist church are at 10:45 a.m.

The public is invited to join a Bible believing, multi-ethnic/multi-cultural congregation, with Bible-based sermons and uplifting music. 703-599-3527 or www.hopefellowshipchurchloudoun.org.

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# Real Estate Focus **Demand Drives Northern Virginia Market**

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said Gary Thomas, president of the National Association of Realtors.

"The issue now is pent-up demand and strong growth in the number of households, with buyer traffic 29 percent above a year ago, Thomas said.

Lawrence Yun, chief economist for the National Association of Realtors, said existing-home sales are at the highest level since November 2009, when the market jumped to 5.44 million as buyers took advantage of tax stimulus.

Sales have stayed above year-ago levels for 23 months, while the national median price shows 15 consecutive months of yearover-year increases.

"The housing numbers are overwhelmingly positive, especially in markets such as Northern Virginia, where employment is strong, Yun said.

## New Construction Key Indicator of Housing Rebound

Adding to the good news about the housing market is the increasing number of infill developments and new construction, "housing starts," in Fairfax County. According to real estate economists, housing starts are one of the leading predictors of overall economic stability and growth.

A June 6 report released by Metrostudy, a national housing data and consulting firm, reports that housing starts are up sharply in Fairfax County: This year, there were 386 starts in the first quarter of 2013 compared to 143 in the in the first quarter of 2012, a 170 percent increase.

In addition to housing starts, almost every other housing indicator has trended up from May 2012 to May 2013 in Fairfax County, according to Real Estate Building Intelligence (RBI)-a company that analyzes market trends and statistics from the Multiple Listing Service.

In Fairfax County in the past year:

The total volume of homes sold jumped 32 percent, from \$729 million to more than \$950 million.

The average price for a home increased nearly 10 percent, from \$469,000 to nearly \$550,000.

Average days on market dropped a steep 30 percent from 39 days to 27 days.

♦ New "under contracts jumped 31.56 percent, from 450 to 592.

## 'Buy Land. They Aren't Making Anymore.'

This famous quote could not be more apt for Fairfax County.

In the past decade, while new housing developments were being built in Prince William and Loudoun counties, Fairfax County was pretty much built out. If buy-



Local developer John Sekas created Oakcrest Farms, an "ensemble of seven high-end single-family homes selling for more than \$1.5 million with at least 5,000 square feet." The development is embedded in the original Oakcrest Farms community, which has 54 colonial-style homes built in the 1980s. Located off Hunter Mill Road between Vale Road and Route 123, the development has sold four of the seven homes, which feature gourmet kitchens, stone fireplaces and two-story family rooms, and optional media rooms. For more information, go to www.sekashomes.com.

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**National Association of Realtors** 

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ers wanted a newly-built home, they had

to tear down an old one. While land is still at a premium in Fairfax County, new infill developments have been springing up in unlikely areas such as

Vienna, Oakton, Burke and the City "The housing numbers are of Fairfax. "Demand for overwhelmingly positive,

housing is up, and so are development applications, said Supervisor John Cook (R-

Braddock), who noticed the trend last year and formed a land use development advi-

sory committee in his district in response to the rise in applications.

"Fairfax County is pretty much 'built out' and infill projects are more challenging to execute, Cook said.

Any existing pockets of land are small. and homes are often shoehorned into tight



**Alison Sherman** 

spaces, and sometimes squeezed into existing neighborhoods. Storm water, setback, density, parking and other zoning issues become more challenging for builders.

"So, we are seeing more going on, but they are usually very difficult projects, Cook said.

> Difficult, yes, but not impossible. The persistent demand for brand housing, new coupled with buyers willing to spend, has spurred high-end builders such as Pulte and

Stanley Martin to create luxury townhomes and condominiums project throughout the county.

In January, Stanley Martin Homes announced the opening of 35 luxury townhomes in Oakton.

"Stanley Martin is reaffirming the old

adage that in real estate it's all about 'location, location, location,' as it's tough to find a better Northern Virginia location than the charming and convenient town of Oakton, said Lauri Chastain, vice president of marketing for Stanley Martin.

Within weeks of news about the new Oakton East, there were more than 300 people on the "wait list for the homes that range in price from \$600,000 to nearly \$800,000.

Targeting empty-nesters who are looking for less square footage and less yard, but larger than the typical townhome, Oakton East offers 3,700-3,800 square feet of finished living space, a two-car garage and gourmet kitchens.

The homes "look and feel like single family homes-minus the yard work," Chastain said.

"Oakton is one of the premiere areas for brand new construction. Buyers prefer new homes over resale, but they are not easy to find, Realtor Pat Stack said.

MetroWest in Fairfax, a Pulte development, is one of the largest luxury townhome, condominium and apartment communities in Fairfax County, with a total of 2,248 residential units slated for development on 56 acres near the Vienna/Fairfax Metro.

In addition, plans call for 300,000-plus square feet of office space and 125,000 square feet of retail, service, institutional and governmental space. MetroWest will also feature community parks, courtyards, a rec center and at least 30 percent will be preserved as green space. Sales of the \$600,000 and up homes have been brisk.

While townhomes, condos and apartments are typical for infill developmentsboth because of their small footprint and the higher price per square foot builders can charge-there are several new single-family infill developments in the county.

Local developer John Sekas has created Oakcrest Farms, located off Hunter Mill Road near Vale Road, a development of seven high-end single-family homes selling for more than \$1.5 million with at least 5,000 square feet.

The development is embedded in the original Oakcrest Farms community, which has 54 colonial-style homes built in the 1980s. Construction began last year, and already four of the seven homes are sold.

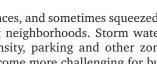
Grant Johnson, a real estate broker for Sekas, said he has seen two types of buyers for the homes, which feature gourmet kitchens, stone fireplaces and two-story family rooms, and optional media rooms.

"We have transfers, who are coming here for the high-paying tech jobs, and buyers who live in the area who want to move up, Johnson said. "This is an attractive location. The schools are great, we're near Wolf Trap and Tysons, and people like it here and don't want to leave.

## **Builders** Are Optimistic

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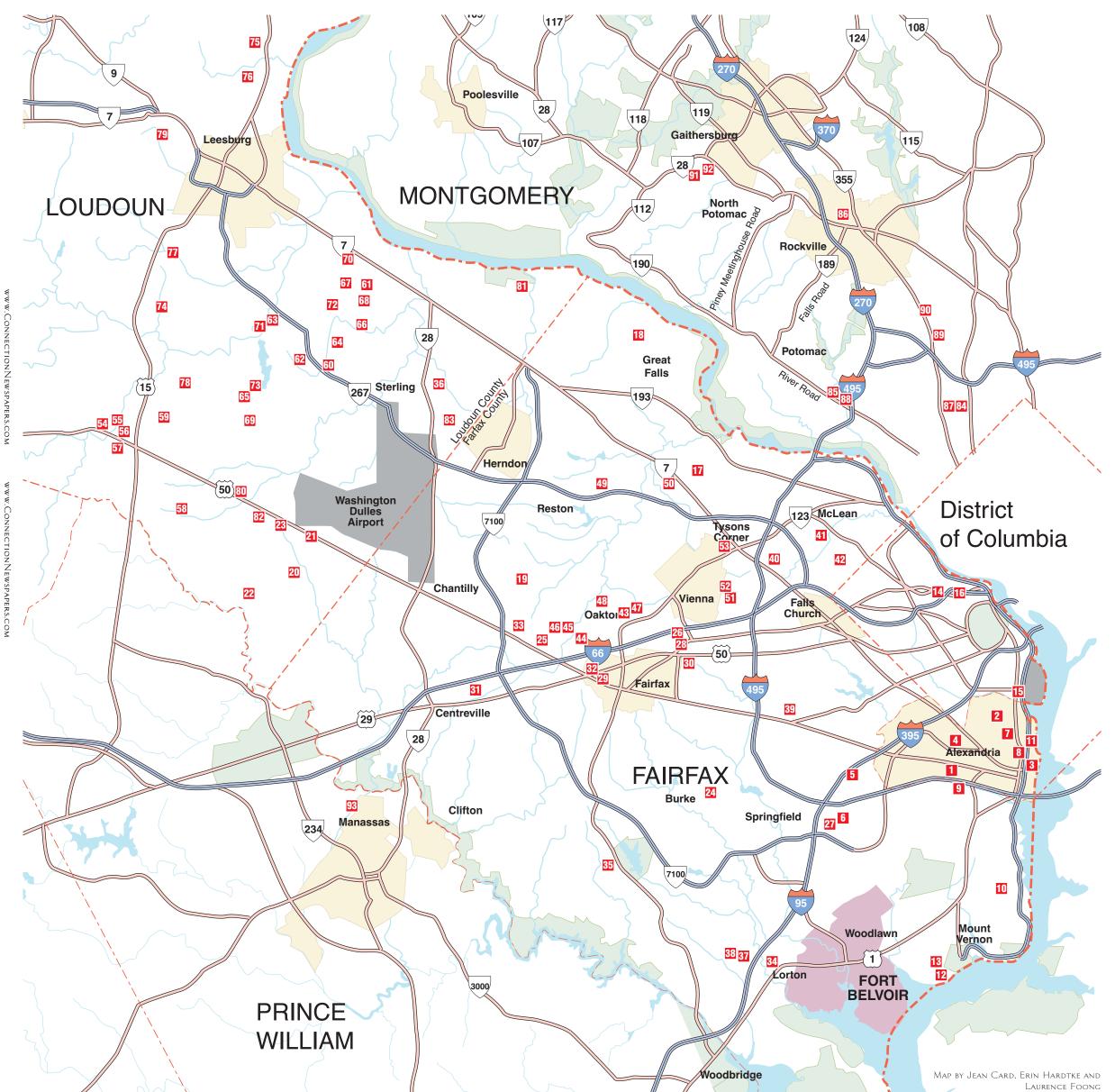


# New Homes

26 Metrowest, Fairfax, VA 22031 — From \$542,890 — PULTE HOMES



50 Maymount, Vienna, VA 22182 — From \$1,500,000 — BASHEER AND EDGEMOORE



Photos by Craig Sterbutzel/The Connection

	Community	Builder	Price	Postal Citv	Zip	Community	Builder	Price	Postal Citv	Zip	Community	Builder	Price	Postal City	Zip
	1 Coopers Grove	CALVERT LUXURY HOMES	From \$1,029,900	Alexandria	22304	32 Fairfield Manor	STANLEY MARTIN	From \$859,990	Fairfax	22031	63 The Preserve Goose Creek Villa	IS LENNAR	From \$300,000	Ashburn	20148
곤	2 Del Ray	CALVERT LUXURY HOMES	From \$1,399,900	Alexandria	22304	33 Autumn Willow	NV HOMES	From \$890,000	Fairfax	22033	64 Morley Corner	RYAN Homes	From \$334,990	Ashburn	20147
S	3 The Oronoco Waterfront	EYA	From \$1,400,000	Alexandria	22314	34 Lake Hill Farms	N.V.P	From \$800,000	Fairfax County	22079	65 Brambleton: Brownstone	MILLER AND SMITH	From \$400,000	Ashburn	20148
T	4 Oak Grove	CRAFTMARK HOMES	From \$2,134,900	Alexandria	22304	35 Hampton Reserves	RYAN Homes	From \$879,990	Fairfax Station	22039	66 Stonegate	NV HOMES	From \$400,000	Ashburn	20147
ž	5 The Isabella at Monticello Mews	McWILLIAMS BALLARD	From \$269,900	Alexandria	22312	36 Meadow Branch	INTEGRITY HOMES	From \$350,000	Hayfield	22601	67 One Loudon	CAMBERLY HOMES	From \$450,000	Ashburn	20147
$\sim$	6 Potters Glen	EVERGREENE HOMES	From \$500,000	Alexandria	22310	37 Spring Hll	DEL WEBB	From \$200,000	Lorton	22079	68 One Loudoun:Central Park We	stMILLER AND SMITH	From \$450,000	Ashburn	20147
6	7 Potomac Yard	PULTE HOMES	From \$638,580	Alexandria	22301	38 Spring Hill Condos	PULTE HOMES	From \$208,990	Lorton	22079	69 Brambleton: Noble Pointe	MILLER AND SMITH	From \$550,000	Ashburn	20148
ž	8 Old Town Commons	EYA	From \$700,000	Alexandria	22314	39 Harrison Hills	CHRISTOPHER COMPANIES	From \$650,000	Annandale		70 One Loudoun: Downtown	MILLER AND SMITH	From \$550,000	Ashburn	20147
Z	9 Burgundy Woods	NV HOMES	From \$720,000	Alexandria	22310	40 Tysons Overlook	CARR HOMES	From \$689,900	Falls Church	22043	71 Belmont Glen Village	CRAFTMARK HOMES	From \$600,000	Ashburn	20148
Ö	10 Hollin Hill Village	EVERGREENE HOMES	From \$900,000	Alexandria	22308	41 Chesterbrook Manor	MADISON HOMES	From \$1,675,000	McLean	22101	72 Ashburn Place	M/I HOMES	From \$600,000	Ashburn	20147
4	11 Printers Row	McWILLIAMS BALLARD	From \$949,900	Alexandria	22314	42 Grace Manor Court	KESWICK HOMES	From \$1,800,000	McLean	22102	73 The Boulevard at Brambleton	CAMBERLY HOMES	From \$300,000	Brambleton	20148
ō	12 Riverwood at Ferry Point	NV HOMES	From \$990,000	Alexandria	22309	43 Oakton Heights	EVERGREENE HOMES	From \$1,200,000	Oakton	22124	74 Courtland Rural Village	LENNAR	From \$300,000	Leesburg	20175
Z	13 Mount Vernon Park	NV HOMES	From \$930,000	Alexandria	22309	44 West Oaks	EVERGREENE HOMES	From \$1,400,000	Oakton	22124	75 Selma Estates	STANLEY MARTIN	From \$549,990	Leesburg	20176
	14 Dominion Heights	CHRISTOPHER COMPANIES	From \$300,000	Arlington	22207	45 The Reserve at Waples Millls	CAMBERLY HOMES	From \$1,479,900	Oakton	22124	76 Raspberry Falls	VAN METRE	From \$600,000	Leesburg	20176
***	15 The Eclipse at Potomac Yard	COMSTOCK HOMES	From \$500,000	Arlington	22202	46 The Reserve at Waples Mills	WINCHESTER HOMES	From \$1,479,900	Oakton	22124	77 Stone Fox Estates	CRAFTMARK HOMES	From \$700,000	Leesburg	20175
_	16 Court at Lyon Village	EVERGREENE HOMES	From \$900,000	Arlington	22201	47 Oakton East	STANLEY MARTIN	From \$709,990	Oakton	22124	78 Greene Mill Preserve	STANLEY MARTIN	From \$759,990	Leesburg	20175
Ş	17 Marquette	KESWICK HOMES	From \$2,300,000	Great Falls	22066	48 The Estates at Stuart Mill	CAMBERLY HOMES	From \$1,599,900	Oakton	22124	79 Shenstone Reserve	TOLL BROTHERS	From \$829,995	Leesburg	20175
Ē	18 The Pond at Beach Mill	CREEKSTONE	From \$2,800,000	Great Falls		49 Hunting Crest	NV HOMES	From \$1,200,000	Vienna	22182	80 Westend at Stone Ridge	VAN METRE	From \$250,000	Lorton	20105
N	19 Reserve at Oakton	EVERGREENE HOMES	From \$900,000	Herndon	20171	50 Maymount	BASHEER AND EDGEMOORE	From \$1,500,000	Vienna	22182	81 Overlook at Lowes Island	STANLEY MARTIN	From \$499,990	Potomac Falls	20165
G	20 East Gate	M/I HOMES	From \$350,000	Chantilly	20152	51 Wedderburn Estates	COURTLAND HOMES	From 1,115,000	Vienna	22180	82 South Riding	TOLL BROTHERS	From \$342,389	South Riding	20152
Ľ	21 Villas at East Gate	COMSTOCK HOMES	From \$300,000	Chantilly	20152	52 Pickett's Reserve	COURTLAND HOMES	From 1,220,000	Vienna	22180	83 Autumn Oaks	RYAN Homes	From \$404,990	Sterling	20166
	22 Dawson's Corner	NV HOMES	From \$650,000	Chantilly	20152	53 Willow Oaks	BASHEER AND EDGEMOORE	From \$1,200,000	Vienna	22182	84 Little Falls Place	EYA	From \$1,300,000	Bethesda	20814
L L	23 Arcola Center Townhomes	RYAN Homes	From \$372,990	Dulles	20166	54 Virginia Manor	NV HOMES	From \$400,000	Aldie	20105	85 Quarry Springs	Can't determine builder	From \$1,800,000	Bethesda	20817
D.)	24 Burke Lake Crossing	CHRISTOPHER COMPANIES	From mid-\$700,000			55 Lenah Mill- The Villages	TOLL BROTHERS	From \$559,995	Aldie	20105	86 Symphony Park at Strathmore	KOITZGROUP	From \$1,250,000	Bethesda, MD	20817
10	25 Penderbrook Square	COMSTOCK HOMES	From \$200,000	Fairfax	22033	56 Lenah Mill- The Carolinas	TOLL BROTHERS	From \$607,995	Aldie	20105	87 Little Falls Place	EYA	From \$1,349,900	Bethesda, MD	
N	26 Metrowest	PULTE HOMES	From \$542,890	Fairfax	22031	57 Lenah Mill- The Executives	TOLL BROTHERS	From \$688,995	Aldie	20105	88 River Quarry in Bethesda	CARTER BUILDERS	From \$1,390,000	Bethesda, MD	20817
2	27 Foster, Äôs Crest	STANLEY MARTIN	From \$567,990	Fairfax	22031	58 Willowsford Vintage Series	INTEGRITY HOMES	From \$704,990	Aldie	20105	89 Symphony Park	MICHAEL HARRIS HOMES	From \$1,000,000	N Bethesda, MD	20852
ω	28 Cameron Glen	STANLEY MARTIN	From \$614,990	Fairfax	22030	59 Huntleigh at Creighton Farms	STANLEY MARTIN	From \$714,990	Aldie	20175	90 White Flint Station	TOLL BROTHERS	From \$422,995	N Bethesda, MD	
	29 Main Street Residences	COURTLAND HOMES	From \$699,000	Fairfax	22030	60 Loudoun Station	COMSTOCK HOMES	From \$1399/month		20147	91 Hallman Grove	WINCHESTER HOMES	From \$692,900		20878
*	30 Mosaic District	EYA	From \$700,000	Fairfax	22031	61 Potomac Green	DEL WEBB	From \$250,000	Ashburn	20147	92 Quince Trace	PULTE HOMES	From \$565,900	N Potomac, MD	20878
=	31 Autumn Willow	RYAN Homes	From \$899,000	Fairfax	22033	62 The Villages at Broadlands	VAN METRE	From \$300,000	Ashburn	20148	93 Heritage Crossing	STANLEY MARTIN	From \$242,990	Manassas	20109
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## Clifton

12421 Clifton Hunt Dr......\$925,000....Sun 1-4..Carol Hermandorfer...Long & Foster..703-503-1812 12048 Winding Creek Ct..\$698,000....Sun 1-4..Carol Hermandorfer...Long & Foster..703-503-1812

### Fairfax Station

8309 Crestridge Rd\$1,445,000Sun 12-	4 Pat Fales	RE/MAX.	.703-503-4365
9825 South Park Cir\$789,950Sun 1-	4Kathleen Quintarelli	Weichert.	.703-862-8808

### Herndon

13439 Elevation Ln.......\$379,900....Sun 1-4.....Scott Koval. Samson Props. 703-625-3446

#### McLean

6720 Pine Creek Ct........\$895,000....Sun 1-4.....Betsy Twigg.....McEnearney..703-967-4391

### Oakton

2815 Norborne Pl......\$1,014,000....Sun 1-4......Maggie Earnest...Long & Foster..703-873-5175

### Vienna

1523 Gingerwood Ct.......\$640,000....Sun 1-4 .....John Baird .. Samson Props .. 703-609-1501

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# REAL ESTATE FOCUS Housing's Rebound

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the market as the rest of us. There is more confidence in the economy locally than we've seen in the past several years, said Stack.

A gauge of confidence among home builders jumped in June, hitting the highest level since 2006, according to data released June 17.

The National Association of Home Builders/Wells Fargo housing-market index rose to 52 in June—the first time the index has reached above a key reading of 50 since 2006—from 44 in May. Readings above 50 signal that builders, generally, are optimistic about sales trends.

"Builders are seeing better market conditions as demand for new homes increases, said Rick Judson, NAHB's chairman in the news release. "With the low inventory of existing homes, an increasing number of buyers are gravitating toward new homes.

That confidence doesn't surprise Gerald Gordon, president and CEO of the Fairfax County Economic Development Authority (FCEDA).

"The economic base of Fairfax County has been sufficiently diversified over the years that declining revenues in federal contracting will not be devastating to the economy as a whole, Gordon said. "Corporate additions to Fairfax County in recent years give us balance.

#### Home Sales



Location, location, location. Pulte's new MetroWest development in Fairfax boasts location as a draw for buyers. The 50-plus townhome development is next to the Vienna Metro and "two minutes from I-66."

In April 2013, 132 homes sold between \$1,850,000-\$194,900
in the Vienna and Oakton area.
This week's list represents those homes sold in the \$1,850,000-\$371,500 range.
For the complete list, visit www.ConnectionNewspapers.com

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Address	BR FB HB	Postal City	. Sold Price	Туре	Lot AC	Subdivision
11990 MARKET ST #2001	230	RESTON	. \$1.470.000	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors		MIDTOWN AT RESTON TOWN
2034 BEACON HEIGHTS DR	332	RESTON	\$925.000	Townhouse	0.08	RESTON
12012 CREEKBEND DR						
11414 NIGHT STAR WAY	431	RESTON	\$852.000	Detached	0.26	RESTON
11990 MARKET ST #1103						
1399 OLD OUINCY LN	4 3 1	RESTON	\$764,000	Detached	0.50	RESTON
11990 MARKET ST #515						
2100 OWLS COVE LN						
10857 HUNTER GATE WAY						
1914 LOGAN MANOR DR						
11814 GREY BIRCH PL						
11776 STRATFORD HOUSE PL #802						
11600 OLD BROOKVILLE CT		RESTON				
11627 SPRINGHOUSE PL						RESTON
2354 NASHUA CT						
11054 THRUSH RIDGE RD						
12393 COPENHAGEN CT	4 3 1	RESTON	\$620,000	Detached	0.35	RESTON
12227 QUORN LN	4 2 1	RESTON	\$615,000	Detached	0.51	RESTON
12227 GOORTVERV 12347 BROWN FOX WAY						
1353 PARK GARDEN LN						
12000 MARKET ST #490						SAVOY AT RESTON TWN CNTR
11419 HOLLOW TIMBER CT						
12046 EDGEMERE CIR						
11123 LAKESPRAY WAY						
1212 WILD HAWTHORN WAY						
1218 WEATHERSTONE CT	3 2 2	RESTON	\$555,000	Townhouse	0.07	RESTON
1417 PARK GARDEN LN						
2286 ARCHDALE RD						
11432 SUMMER HOUSE CT						
1322 WEDGEWOOD MANOR WAY						RESTON
12251 ANGEL WING CT						RESTON
1249 WILD HAWTHORN WAY						RESTON/HAWTHORN
1406 PARK GARDEN LN		RESTON	\$518.000	Townhouse	0.04	DEVONSHIRE
11416 SUMMER HOUSE CT						
1552 DEER POINT WAY	431	RESTON	\$499.000	Townhouse	0.06	ARBOR WOODS
11809 GREAT OWL CIR	322	RESTON	\$485,000	Townhouse	0.04	
11800 SUNSET HILLS RD #206	220	RESTON	\$466.000	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors		CARLTON HOUSE
12195 ABINGTON HALL PL #303						MADISON PARK AT WEST MAR
1622 GREENBRIAR CT	421	RESTON	\$453,000	Patio Home	0.12	
11800 SUNSET HILLS RD #221	220	RESTON	\$450,000	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors		CARLTON HOUSE
11525 HEARTHSTONE CT	431	RESTON	\$450,000	Townhouse	0.04	
12000 MARKET ST #239	. 2 2 0	RESTON	\$440,000	Garden 1-4 Floors		SAVOY AT RESTON TWN CNTR
2044 WINGED FOOT CT	. 3 2 1	RESTON	\$435,000	Townhouse	0.04	
1974 CRESCENT PARK DR #18A						
2325 OLD TRAIL DR						
1544 SCANDIA CIR	. 4 3 1	RESTON	\$425,000	Townhouse	0.06	RESTON
1403 GREENMONT CT						
1668 WAINWRIGHT DR	. 3 2 1	RESTON	\$425,000	Townhouse	0.04	RESTON

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## Week in Reston

## Local Historians to Present 'Untold Story'

Reston Historic Trust presents a special 150th sesquicentennial program commemorating the Civil War, "Sunstroke and Ankle-Deep Mud," on Thursday, June 27, 7-9 p.m. at Reston Community Center at Lake Anne, 1609 Washington Plaza, Reston.

Much has been written about the Battle of Gettysburg and Lee's Retreat, but little has been written about the arduous journey taken by 10s of thousands of men, wagons and horses of the Union's Army of the Potomac as it marched across Northern Virginia on its way to this historic battle.

A famous Confederate cavalry commander accompanied by 5,000 cavalrymen and six guns, as well as the commander of the Army of the Potomac, with his entire headquarters' staff, passed here within 30

hours of each other. They were both headed northwards towards the Potomac River. Ironically, each movement would end disastrously for both men.

Experience the incredible conditions the Union Army faced through the words of several of their soldiers: unbearable heat, torrential rains, forced marches, etc. before they reached the river, their final obstacle.

Local historians Jim Lewis and Brian McEnany will present the "untold story" of the Gettysburg Campaign. Portions of their recently released fully illustrated selfguided driving tour booklet will be presented.

For more information, call the Reston Museum at 703-709-7700, email restonmuseum@gmail.com, or visit www.restonmuseum.org. Space is limited, so come early.

Reston Historic Trust members have seating priority.



The race starting line at the "Ringing in Hope: A Salute to Our Troops" 5K, 10K and 1K. Matthew Clark, of Reston, won the 5K Memorial Day race.

## 16,000 Runners, Walkers 'Ring in Hope'

## Matthew Clark of Reston among 10K, 5K winners.

n a morning boasting beautiful weather and filled with numerous tributes to the nation, Reston resident Matthew Clark laced up to run in the "Ringing In Hope: A Salute to Our Troops" 5K, one of three races at the Brambleton, Va. event.

The races drew in nearly 1,600 runners and walkers to Brambleton Town Center, where members of the Junior ROTC program from Chantilly presented the colors, followed by the playing of the national anthem.

The colorful sound of a large bell rang by former Washington Redskins wide receiver Darnerien McCants signaled the start of the

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5K and 10K races. The bell was part of a larger display of the "Bells of the Fallen," which honor American service men and women who served in Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan and Operation New Dawn.

The event helped raised awareness and funding for charities, including The Fisher House Foundation, the Wounded Warrior Project, Special Forces Track Club and Operation Gratitude

Clark came out in first place in the 5K for the men with a time of 17:30.

The next Ringing In Hope event will be held in South Riding on Saturday, Sept. 14. The event, "Ringing In Hope: For the Sake of the Children," will benefit charities that offer services to children, including: The Make-A-Wish Foundation of the Mid Atlantic, Children's National Medical Center, Paxton Campus, Autism Speaks and the Down Syndrome Association of Northern Virginia.

### SETTING NEW STANDARDS IN REAL ESTATE



FOR SALE 10496 Dunn Meadow Rd Vienna

4 bedroom, 4 full baths, 1 half bath 3 car side load garage Rear and side solarium bump-outs Fully finished lower level Approximately 7500 sq ft

This stunning home is everything you deserve. Situated on nearly an acre. Ideally located between Great Falls, Reston, and Tyson's Corner.



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## FOR SALE 2607 Walter Reed Dr A, Arlington

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Del. Ken Plum, chairman of DCRA and President Patty Nicoson of DCRA, honor Del. Mark Keam (D-35).

## Legislators Honored **Dulles Corridor Rail Association** honors delegates, senators who helped provide Phase 2 funding.

Association honored the Northern Virginia members of the Virginia General Assembly who supported HB2313, which included \$300 million for Silver Line Phase 2. Comstock hosted the reception at its offices on 1886 Metro Center Drive, Reston.

General Assembly members were given certificates that recognized their leadership in supporting this important transpor-

he Dulles Corridor Rail tation legislation. Ten of the honorees attended the event.

> Among the guests present were the Honorable Sean Connaughton, secretary of transportation, Fairfax County Board Chairman Sharon Bulova, Hunter Mill Supervisor Catherine Hudgins, MWAA President and CEO Jack Potter, Herndon Town Council members Grace Han Wolf and David Kirby, as well as Chris Clemente and Maggie Parker, Comstock.

### HB2313 Supporters Helped Provide \$300 Million for Phase 2

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# **RCA Board Candidates**

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take place from June 26 to July 10. Continuing the practice established last year, this year's election

Petrine hopes to continue RCA's will be held entirely online. Anycan go to

zensa .org www The RCA Board election will and click on the "VOTE" button to learn more about the candidates and cast their ballots.

## News

# Public Comments Sought **On Transportation Projects**

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At 6:30 p.m., NVTA Chairman (and Prince William County Supervisor for Coles District) Martin Nohe began a 30-minute presentation to the packed Council Chambers. Nohe highlighted the Authority's history, make-up and voting process. "It's complex by design, he said. "Our voting system forces us to work together, and ensures no one jurisdiction gets railroaded into an action that they don't think best for their constituents. Nohe explained that for any vote to pass, two-thirds of the members must be present and voting, two-thirds of those present and voting must include at least

two-thirds of the populations embraced by the Authority, and for any project to be approved, it must receive an affirmative vote by the jurisdiction in which the project is located.

Nohe also gave a brief summary of HB 2313 and then touched on the selection process for the projects being considered for the upcoming fiscal year, saying that the list could be amended following this and other public hearings, as well as after review of public comments submitted by written or electronic formats. "What are the projects we can bring to bear quickly? Get the most bang for the buck, asked Nohe. Some of the criteria used for selecting the first round of projects included how quickly the project would reduce congestion relative to cost and how ready the project was for implementation with needed studies and regulatory reviews completed or able to be completed prior to selection. Nohe also made mention of the need to include consideration of emergency evacuation strategies in any plans, citing the gridlock of 2010's "snowmageddon and the 2011 earthquake.

Following his presentation, Chairman Nohe opened the Public Hearing, and speakers lined up to use their allotted three minutes. The speakers covered a wide range of interests, from private citizens to those officially representing a group, like Jana Lynott, Senior Strategic Policy Advisor with the AARP who read the organization's statement, offering their assistance toward planning that considers older adults and persons with disabilities "who are currently trapped in their homes because of inadequate transportation ... as well as provide relief to caretakers ... because their loved ones depend solely on them for transportation. Lynott also provided the Authority with her publication highlighting case studies of model senior transportation programs around the country, including how these programs are regionally coordinated and funded.

Virginia Delegate James LeMunyon (R-67) used his time to urge the Authority to consider fewer projects in the first year. "Let's use how many hours can be put back into the lives of Virginians for each dollar spent as part of the criteria, he proposed. LeMunyon also reminded the Authority that none of the money collected could be spent on staff or administration according to the bill.

The majority of the speakers praised the NVTA members for their work and acknowledged the enormity of the task and the challenges ahead, like Douglas Stewart of Fairfax City. "I applaud the balanced



NVTA Chairman Martin Nohe welcomes the crowd and highlights the Authority's history, mandate, make-up and process.

#### More Information

Additional local community meetings will be held in several of the NVTA's jurisdictions during the next several weeks and a second full NVTA Public Hearing is planned for July. "We want to hear from you, and we want you to know what's on the table," said Nohe. The public may email comments on the proposed projects to the NVTA at fy14projects@thenovaauthority.org. NVTA's website, www.thenovaauthority.org, provides full details of the projects for this fiscal year, the projects proposed for the next six year cycle, the full TransAction 2040 Plan and information on HB 2313 and dates for future meetings.

list of projects, he stated, even if some of their comments were less than positive.

"There's a plethora of plans for transportation. There is also a crying need for connection and coordination of all these plans, said private citizen Gary O'Brien, addressing in particular the Route 28 corridor. "This area needs relief now, not in 2035, and the plans I am seeing appear to simply move the bottlenecks further up the road, not relieve them.

Congestion on Route 28 was also a hot topic for several other speakers. Audrey Clement, co-chair of the Green Party of Virginia, pointed out that "of over \$186 million in proposed new projects for Northern Virginia, only \$13 million is targeted for street improvements and \$12 million of that is for Columbia Pike in Arlington County. None of it is for Fairfax County, she noted. "The NVTA ought to scrap its current project list and start all over with a new vision, one that emphasizes transit over cars and people over pavement."

Gail Parker of Alexandria recommended that rail projects be moved to the top of the list. "It costs less money to build 80 miles of track than 3 miles of road along Route 1." Parker also expressed concerns about emergency evacuation capabilities in such congested areas.

Less emphasis on roads and more on transit systems and bike and walk paths seemed to be a frequent recommendation from the almost 20 citizens who addressed the Authority, while the proposed Bi-County Parkway to connect I-66 in western Prince William County to Route 50 in Loudoun County appeared to bring out the most heat from proponents and opponents alike. Jeanine Lawson of Prince William County said, "We are fired up about this Parkway proposal ... and disappointed in HB 2313. I am a fiscal conservative and this is a massive tax hike."

## No Shame in Crying

#### By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Nor is it a crying shame. But something has changed, dare I say affected my tear duct production. I can't say with certainty - or even specify a particular moment in time for sure – when the tears began to flow more easily, but I'll guess the change occurred sometime on or around February 27, 2009, the day I first met my oncologist; the day I was diagnosed with a terminal disease, stage IV non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC), "prognosed" to live 13 months to two years. If that kind of shocking, terminal-type news doesn't upset your apple cart - permanently, "You're a better man than I am, Gunga Din." And so it has. as reflected in my frequent "salty discharge" (to quote Jerry Seinfeld).

How this "upset" has manifested itself has been in my emotional reactions to things. On a wide range of subjects, when discussions conjure any kind of heartfelt, semi emotional connection/reaction, my voice weakens, quivers, shakes, cracks and then becomes almost inaudible as I try to string together the words in my brain that I'm trying to vocalize through my mouth. Invariably the words get out, but in a halting type of hesitation rather than the firm kind of expression with which I'm accustomed. I used to be confident in what I said; now I've become confident in what I can't say.

Moreover, if the circumstances described in the previous paragraph occur in a semi private place, or where I feel a bit more at ease, my eyes will begin to water and tears will form. I can usually prevent my cheeks from getting wet by rubbing my eyes and clearing my throat, but at that point, the damage is already done: I have been walloped emotionally, almost unexpectedly, given the usually unrelated-to-my life story line mentioned. Once again however, the cancer – in my opinion, has reared its ugly, figurative head.

It's not exactly as if I'm crying over spilled milk, but I seem to be crying over and about thoughts, memories, expressions, references, etc., not necessarily relating to cancer and rarely connecting to me. It's as if my reaction stabilizer (as if there is such a thing) has been compromised somehow. (You think?) I can't control or even prevent these very public displays of being affected. Apparently, my immune system is so focused on fighting/fending off the cancer - internally/physically, that it has lost its ability to thwart off the external. It seems that the words I see, hear and feel upset me more than the metastatic tumors I know I have in my lungs do.

I'm definitely different now. I can't always keep my feelings to myself. The tears give me away. It's not embarrassing – to me. It's nothing about which I'm ashamed. It is however, something for which I have no off switch. And though I may have thought – about myself, going into this cancer life, that I was fairly sturdy and together emotionally, perhaps these tears are evidence to the contrary. Or maybe it's simply my body's way of coping with an extremely demanding and hostile intruder: cancer.

Kenny Lourie is an Advertising Representative for The Potomac Almanac & The Connection Newspapers





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# Sports

## Relays Make the Mark in Third Week of RSTA Season

Relays.

It's the word that piques spectators' interest and gets all swimmers pumped at any meet. They are longer in both time and distance than individual events and with their reliance on multiple team members, everyone gets involved. And as they take place both midway and at the end of meets, there is always an added level of excitement.

Indeed, with the additional points that are awarded to the relay team winners, how they do can make the difference between winning and losing a meet.

Last Saturday saw three Reston Swim Team Association relay teams at their best.

"They are by far the most exciting part of the meet," said Jamie Mazziotta, parent of North Hills swimmer Christina Mazziotta (15-18).

And while relay teams took the spotlight at last Saturday's meets, they were not the only ones that excelled.

In all, six new pool records were set. On an individual basis, Emily Meilus of Lake Anne continued her assault on the record books. In the girls' 13-14 50-meter backstroke, she broke her old record of 31.22 seconds, which she set just three weeks ago, with a new mark of 31.06. In the girls' 13-14 50-meter breaststroke, Meilus improved her time of 38.81 to 38.80.

Joanne Fu, also of Lake Anne, continued to impress. She lowered her own record in the girls' 13-14 50-meter butterfly, which she set just last week, with a time of 31.68.

These same two girls were also participants on the record-setting Lake Anne 13-14 200-meter medley relay. They, along with Sage Raphael and Arianna Barkhordari,

broke the record they had set just last week with a time of 2:24.63. Also in the girls' 13-14 200-meter medley relay, Glade Gators teammates Emily Landeryou, Meghan Benedetto, Madeline LaPorte and Lainie Davison shattered a record that had stood since 2000. Their time of 2:19.52 easily broke the old record of 2:23.44, which was set by Lauren Donnelly, Emily Keith, Katie Powell and Katie Cochran. Finally, in the girls' 6-18 200-meter freestyle relay, the North Hills team of Katie Cazenas, Emily Ren, Marlee Czarny, Logan Kruse and Rachel Swarts set a record with a time of 2:07.94. Interestingly, Swarts, now in her last year of swimming for North Hills, was a much younger member of the team that had set the mark of 2:09.40 back in July of 2004.

## North Hills Hurricanes 575, Glade Gators 451

For North Hills, triple-event winners were: Katie Cazenas, Marlee Czarny, Joseph Sciortino and Swarts. Double-event winners were: Tenlee Czarny, Ryan Hill, Sarah Joyce, Benjamin Livaudais, Mary Grace Long, Piper Luczak, Ryan Luczak, Emily McKittrick, Isabella Ramsey, Caz Rubacky, Page Schiavone, Samantha Sciortino, Catherine Swarts, Emma Tierney and Miles Yang. For Glade, triple-event winners were: Hunter Ellis, Tyler Ellis, Emily Landeryou and Sophia Landeryou. Double-event winners were: Sam Becker, Dean Hartke, Aaron Letteri and Jack Walker.

Ridge Heights Sharks 532, Autumnwood Piranhas 500

For Ridge Heights, triple-event winners were: Ian Champney,

Oakton High Wins Wells Fargo Cup for Athletics akton High School has won its first Wells Fargo Cup for Athletics, awarded by the Virginia High School League (VHSL) for excellence in athletics, for Group AAA for the

Other Fairfax County public schools finishing in the top 20 were Chantilly High School in fourth place, Madison High School in eighth place, Lake Braddock Secondary School in ninth place, Robinson Secondary School in 17th place, Westfield High School in 18th place, and Langley High School in 20th place.

Sogandares. Double-event winners were Ethan Boswell, Ryan Ferzoco, Audrey Moore, Julia Rose, Carter Schultz, Marc Sipher, Paige Songandares, Olivia Stiebel and Hailey Wang. For Autumnwood, triple-event winners were Toren Greenfield-Tuthill, Vikrant Mahajan, Diya Murthy, Katie Storch and Manda Xie. Doubleevent winners were Joanie Belo, Yaoxia Guan, Delaney Kirr, Kalista Majoros, Michael Norford, Benjamin Thompson and Liam Willson.

## Lake Newport Lightning 569, Hunters Woods Blue Marlins 505

For Lake Newport, triple-event winners were: Ryan Giebel, Anna Redican, Grant Romero and Casey Storch. Double-event winners were: Grant Bommer, Caitlin Connelly, Jack Edgemond, Peter George, Morgan Giebel, Lindsey Jacobson, Isabelle Kahng, Vincent Kahng, Emi Redican, Siena Shannon, Meghna Sharma, Britt Truckess, Nathan Williams and Alan Yu. For Hunters Woods, double-event winners were: Christopher Byron, Mary Byron, Amanda Cornette, John Evans, Melissa Le, Spencer Line, Logan Nasr, Lena Song, Eric Tang, Ashley Turner, Gwyneth Wagner, Roger Zeng and Sheila Zhu.

Lake Audubon Barracudas 694, Lake Anne Stingrays 427 For Lake Audubon, tripleevent winners were: Matthew Fritz, Kaliyana Haering, Suya Haering, John Hughes, Tyler Macaluso, Julia Sofhia Nassau, Bryce Onozuka and Nicolas Sobenes. Double-event winners were: Sasha Avilov, Madeleine Daum, Spencer Harris, Riley Lender, Kaylyn Macaluso, Michael McDermott, Dylan Mulvaney and Griffin Scanlan. For Lake Anne, triple-event winners were: Emily Meilus, Houston Nelson and Fred Zhang. Double-event winners: were Noah Charvet, Andrew Cramer, Patrick Dealey, Mary Fouse, Hannah Lane, Elliana Marty and Lucia Sund.

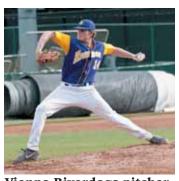
### Vienna Riverdogs Drop Doubleheader vs. Bethesda

he Vienna Riverdogs lost both games of a doubleheader against the first-place Bethesda Big Train on Monday in Cal Ripken Collegiate Baseball League action at Shirley Povich Field in Bethesda.

Vienna lost the first game 4-0, and dropped the second contest 3-1. The Riverdogs' record fell to 6-7 and the team was tied for eighth in the 12-team league standings. Bethesda improved to 12-3.

For players with at least 30 at-bats, 2010 Westfield High School graduate Aaron Scoville (Radford) leads Vienna with a .278 batting average. Demetrius Jennings (Wofford) and Quinn Pippin (Tampa) each have one home run. Bobby Rice (Tallahassee CC) has six RBIs.

Former George C. Marshall High School standout Mitchell



Vienna Riverdogs pitcher Nick Deckert throws against the Bethesda Big Train.

MacKeith (Radford) has pitched 7 2/3 scoreless innings for the Riverdogs. Former Oakton Cougar Luke Willis (Coastal Carolina) is also a member of the team.

Vienna will host a doubleheader against the Southern Maryland Nationals at 5 and 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 26 at Madison High School.

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Oakton athletes scored a total of 405 points to cap-

ture the Group AAA crown. Strong finishes in boys





Herndon High School seniors receive their diplomas at the Patriot Center Tuesday, June 18.

# Herndon High Class of 2013 Graduates

Four hundred and eightyeight seniors graduate at Patriot Center.

> By Alex McVeigh The Connection

he 488 members of the Herndon High School Class of 2013 took their final steps as high school students Tuesday, June 18 at the Patriot Center in Fairfax.

Ellie Shelton, class secretary, recalled the challenges and triumphs that were part of the class's fouryear journey.

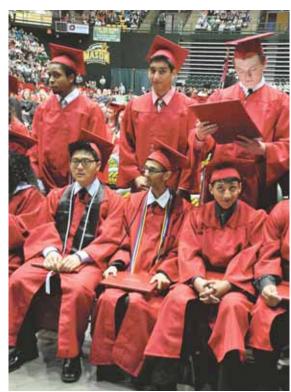
"We can all testify to the fears of losing and rebuilding friendships, re-assessing academic strength as well as competing against our classmates, who may have been more talented artists, athletes or writers," she said. "High school was filled with challenges, but despite the trials, I hope when you look back on high school, you will be pleased with the ways the experiences changed your life."

The Class of 2013 received more than \$3.8 mil-

lion in local and national scholarship money, a record for Herndon High, which Principal William Bates called "a testament to your hard work and dedication."

Class Vice President Julia Diaz-Perez said that the Class of 2013's gift to the school will be water fountains, lighting and other improvements to the school's stadium, which was recently converted to synthetic turf. In his student address, Class President Ismael Elhelbawey said what he learned in high school would serve him well later in life.

"I think one of the most important aspects of high school is that it's so indicative of how spontaneous life really is. Through these four years, we became confident students, with the ability to improvise in any situation," he said. "Through those countless acts of improvisation, and procrastination, we shaped our high school careers. Classroom lessons from smartboards and textbooks, even [social studies teacher Larry] Stroud's YouTube videos, pale in comparison to the lessons we learned in the halls, cafeteria, foyer and even the sharp new bathrooms. Moving forward, whether it's college, working full time, the military, whatever awaits us, improvisation has equipped us to handle virtually every situation."



The Herndon High School Class of 2013 receives their diplomas Tuesday, June 18. 18 & Reston Connection & June 26-July 2, 2013



Herndon High School senior Mayra Romero prepares to receive her diploma Tuesday, June 18.

VIEWPOINTS



From right, Stephanie Brininstool, Kathryn Brough and Alexis Brown prepare to receive their diplomas from Herndon High School Tuesday, June 18. Where are you headed in the fall and where do you see yourself in



10 years?

#### Namra Naeem

"I'm going to Northern Virginia Community College, I'm not sure what I'd like to study. I'm interested in a lot of technology subjects, so probably something to do with that. I have no idea what I'd like to be doing in 10 years."



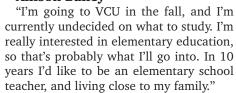
#### Pranjala Singh

"I'm studying computer science at Radford University. I'd like to eventually become a programmer of some sort. In 10 years, I'd like to have a nice car, house and career as a programmer."

#### Hannah Coyne

"I'm going to Christopher Newport to study computer science, where I'd like to eventually learn to write music programs. In 10 years, I hope I'm in a job I like, and I'd love to be living somewhere in California, maybe San Diego."

#### **Allison Bailey**







#### William Torres Velez

"I'm gong to Northern Virginia Community College to study business. Hopefully in 10 years I've got a place of my own, and have a job in business or maybe as an engineer somewhere in Virginia."

#### Oscar Hernandez

"I'm joining the Marines this fall, and I hope to become an engineer. In 10 years I'd like to be wherever the Marines send me, and hopefully doing something like mechanical engineering."

-Alex McVeigh

# Entertainment

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#### WEDNESDAY/JUNE 26

- Photography by JoAnne Henck. 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., at 12001 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston. The League of Reston Artists features Henck's photography in the month of June, open for viewing 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday. www.leagueofrestonartists.org.
- The Great Zucchini. 10-11 a.m., at Frying Pan Farm Park, 2709 West Ox Road, Herndon. The Great Zucchini, a preschool and kindergarten entertainer, performs a colorful magic show where every child is a star and laughs are guaranteed. www.thegreatzucchini.com.
- Meet Me at the Movies: Senior Movie Day. 10 a.m., at Bow Tie Cinemas, 11940 Market St., Reston. Reston Association presents "My Week with Marilyn"; refreshments and door prizes provided (free to 55plus). 703-435-6530 or reston.org.

#### **THURSDAY/JUNE 27**

The ATOMIC Swing Club. 7:30-8:30 p.m., at Frying Pan Farm Park, 2709 West Ox Road, Herndon. The music of the ATOMIC Swing Club is a diverse, perky mix of swing, rockabilly, big band, lounge and jazz with a rockin' edge. http:// www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/ performances/.



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#### FRIDAY/JUNE 28

Crowded Streets + Six to Midnight. 6:30-10:30 p.m., 777 Lynn St., Herndon. The individuals who form this Dave Matthews Band (DMB) tribute are each dedicated to the task of reproducing the unique experience of a live DMB performance. http:// www.herndonrocks.com/.

#### SUNDAY/JUNE 29

The Grandsons Jr. 10-11 a.m., at Lake Fairfax Park Amphitheater, 1400 Lake Fairfax Drive, Reston. The Grandsons Jr. play the upbeat mix of rock, swing, New Orleans R&B, country and Latin music. www.grandsonsir.com.

www.grandsonsjr.com. **Chuck Redd & Friends.** 7:30-10 p.m., at the Pavilion, Reston Town Center, 11900 Market St., Reston. A jazz night featuring Nicki Parrott, Adrian Cunningham and Sharón Clark. http:// www.restontowncenter.com/ events.html.

#### **SUNDAY/JUNE 30**

Baltimore Orioles vs. NY Yankees. 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Reston Association, 12001 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston. Join Reston Association for a chartered bus trip to the Oriole Park at Camden Yards to see The Baltimore Orioles play the New York Yankees. Reston Association members: \$39; non-members: \$44. www.reston.org.

#### WEDNESDAY/JULY 3

**The GoodLife Theater.** 10-11 a.m., at Frying Pan Farm Park, 2709 West Ox Road, Herndon. Recycling Pirates is a rollicking musical about puppet characters created from trash. www.goodlifetheater.com.

#### FRIDAY/JULY 5

**2U.** 8 p.m., at 777 Lynn St., Herndon. A U2 tribute band plays. http://

#### www.notu2.com/.

#### SATURDAY/JULY 6

- Nicolo Whimsey Show. 10-11 a.m., at Lake Fairfax Park Amphitheater, 1400 Lake Fairfax Drive, Reston. Nicolo the Jester presents a hysterical and educational show, reinforcing a message of tolerance and sharing, as well as the joy of reading. http:// www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/ performances/.
- performances/. **David Akers w/ the Bohemian Caverns Jazz Orchestra.** 7:30-10 p.m., at the Pavilion, Reston Town Center, 11900 Market St., Reston. David Akers w/ the Bohemian Caverns Jazz Orchestra plays everything from swing to motown. http://www.restontowncenter.com/ events.html.

#### **TUESDAY/JULY 9**

Town of Herndon Calendar Exhibit. 10 a.m.-2 p.m., at ArtSpace Herndon, 750 Center St., Herndon. Finalists from the 2014 Town of Herndon Calendar Competition are featured in this exhibit. 703-956-6590 or www.artspaceherndon.org.

#### WEDNESDAY/JULY 10

- Sacred Threads. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., at Floris United Methodist Church, 13600 Frying Pan Road, Herndon.
  Sacred Threads 2013 is a national juried exhibition of more than 200 quilts exploring themes of spirituality, joy, grief and healing. \$5. www.florisumc.org.
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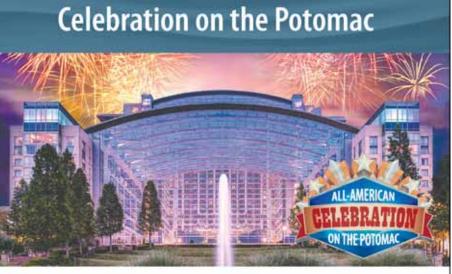
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