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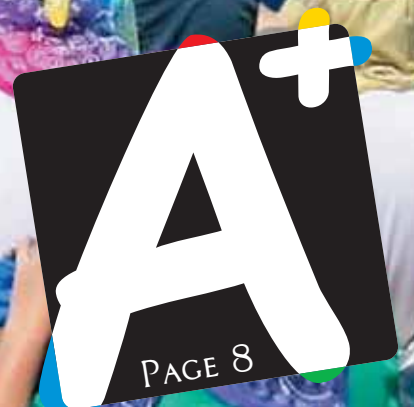
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Fairfax Republicans Nominate Bryan 'BA' Wolfe for Sheriff

Wolfe faces Democratic nominee Stacey Kincaid in Nov. 5 special election.

BY VICTORIA ROSS
THE CONNECTION

When retired Fairfax police officer Bryan "BA" Wolfe was selected as the Republican nominee for Fairfax County Sheriff last week, he vowed to "restore the public trust" by making the 500-member department more "accountable and transparent."

He also pledged to donate his salary to charity if he wins against Democratic challenger Stacey Kincaid in the Nov. 5 special election.

Wolfe's campaign promise echoes a similar pledge made by former Sheriff Stan Barry during his 2011 run.

Barry's salary pledge and his participation in the county's Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) ignited the "DROP Stan Barry" bomb. County Republicans hammered Barry for his participation in DROP, claiming Barry could collect nearly \$1 million in pension benefits in a program never intended for elected public officials. Barry, whose salary was set at \$160,000 a year by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, challenged the claims.

FIRST ELECTED SHERIFF IN 1999, Barry announced last May that he would retire in July, launching the special election between Wolfe and Kincaid. The winner will serve the remaining two years of the sheriff's four-year term.

"[Wolfe's] pledge to donate his salary to charity shows clearly how passionate he is that leadership changes are needed at the department," said Jay McConville, chairman of the Fairfax County Republican Committee (FCRC), in an Aug. 15 news release.

"I am running for sheriff to restore the public trust and confidence in our law enforcement community," Wolfe, 51, said. The U.S. Air Force veteran said he will hold the Sheriff's Department "to a higher standard of accountability than previously held and I will work to create greater transparency that is so necessary."

McConville said Wolfe's record of service, both in the military and as a police officer, "demonstrates the kind of commitment to community and selfless service so needed at the top of the Sheriff's Department."

"I strongly believe in a leadership style encouraging participation which calls for greater involvement from all levels of the Sheriff's Department and I have the necessary skills, knowledge and drive to effectively serve as the next sheriff," Wolfe said.

A 1979 graduate of Robinson Secondary School, Wolfe joined the U.S. Air Force in 1981. He is an 18-year member of American Legion Post 177 in Fairfax and a member of the National Rifle Association. Wolfe has earned several awards for his service to his community, including being named Policeman of the Year twice, as voted by his peers



Bryan Wolfe, a former Fairfax police officer and U.S. Air Force veteran, was chosen by the Fairfax County Republican Committee last week as its nominee in the Nov. 5 special election to succeed retired Sheriff Stan Barry.



Stacey Kincaid, a 26-year veteran with the Fairfax County Sheriff's Department, won the Democratic nomination for sheriff during a caucus held July 17.

in the department. He and his wife Kelly live in Clifton and have three daughters and two sons.

Kincaid, a graduate of Frostburg State College, began her career with the Fairfax County Sheriff's Office in 1987. She said a summer internship at the Sheriff's Office "sparked my interest in a career as a deputy sheriff." In 2008, she received the agency's highest honor, the Distinguished Service Award.

A Vienna resident, Kincaid won the Democratic nod against acting Sheriff Mark Sites in a caucus last month.

Kincaid said that while she is focused on the three main functions of the sheriff's office—running the county's jail, performing security at the courthouse and serving civil process—she also wanted to "bring the agency forward."

"As the largest sheriff's office in Virginia, we should be the role model for the commonwealth," she said after her win over Sites last month. She added that she wanted to focus on diversity inside the department as well as in community outreach efforts.

"When I say diversity, I am talking about diversity of thought, values and beliefs, not just skin color," Kincaid said. "We need the office to respect and reflect the diversity in our community. ... Listening and learning is an important part of forging a relationship with the community."

THE FAIRFAX COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE is responsible for managing the Adult Detention Center, providing security in the courthouse and serving civil law process. The sheriff and the sheriff's deputies have civil and criminal jurisdiction in Fairfax County, the City of Fairfax and the towns of Vienna and Herndon.

"Our sheriffs serve our community well, and they deserve someone who has a passion for service and not a continuation of the establishment bureaucracy that has failed for years to provide the type of leadership needed," McConville said.



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Local Scouts Go National

Boy scouts from McLean and Fairfax Station attended the 2013 National Jamboree

BY JACOB ACTON
MCLEAN BOY SCOUT TROOP 652

A group of boy scouts from McLean and Fairfax Station had the privilege of attending the 2013 National Jamboree—held for the first time ever at the Summit Bechtel Reserve, or "The Summit" in Mount Hope, W. Va. Years of preparation went into making The Summit ready to host 40,000 scouts from all over the U.S. for 10 days. The Summit had a huge variety of activities for scouts to enjoy. These activities included mountain biking, scuba, BMX, rock climbing, shooting sports, and the most popular activity there—the zip-lines! At any given moment the zip-line had up to a 3-hour wait.

Plans for The Summit began in 2007, when the Boy Scouts started looking for a new home for the national Jamboree. They reviewed more than 80 sites in 28 states, and, after two years of looking, they finally selected The Summit in West Virginia to hold the 2013 National Jamboree.

The Summit was made possible by the generous donations of many—both in money and in their time. The biggest benefactor was the S.D. Bechtel, Jr. Foundation and the Stephen Bechtel Fund. They donated 50 million dollars to help build The Summit grounds. The Summit

got its name from the Bechtel donation and there were many statues around the site commemorating the donation.

There was a significant change at this Jamboree over prior ones involving an increased demand of physical capability in order to participate in many activities. The Summit is located in the New River Gorge region of West Virginia and sits on 10,600 acres of forested mountainous land. There was no transportation around The Summit so scouts had to walk to where they needed to be. Most activities took place about a mile away from the base camps, so scouts needed to be able to walk miles in a very mountainous area. The jamboree also required all scouts to participate in a 5-mile hike to "the summit" of the site.

An average day at the Jamboree looked something like this:

- ❖ Wake up at 6:30 a.m. (the cooking patrol would wake up about 30 minutes earlier to get the food and start cooking);

- ❖ Eat breakfast at 7 a.m. and around 7:30 the cooking patrol would clean up;

- ❖ On certain days a whole troop would go as a unit to do certain activities such as the required hike and the technology quest;

- ❖ Other days the scouts would have all day to do what

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In July 2013, 94 homes sold between \$1,295,000-\$839,950 in the Clifton, Fairfax Station and Lorton area.

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11101 HAMPTON RD	4	5	1	FAIRFAX STATION	\$1,005,000	Detached	5.00	22039
9902 HIDDEN TRAIL CT	5	4	1	FAIRFAX STATION	\$1,000,000	Detached	0.59	22039
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8821 LAKE HILL DR	5	4	1	LORTON	\$990,000	Detached	5.91	22079
9269 BLU STEEL WAY	5	5	2	LORTON	\$930,000	Detached	0.84	22079
12602 CLIFTON HUNT LN	4	4	1	CLIFTON	\$925,000	Detached	5.00	20124
8112 HIGHAM RD	4	3	1	LORTON	\$910,000	Detached	0.97	22079
10401 HENDERSON RD	5	4	2	FAIRFAX STATION	\$900,000	Detached	5.01	22039
9005 RIDGELY DR	5	4	1	LORTON	\$894,682	Detached	0.68	22079
7525 WILDERNESS WAY	5	2	1	FAIRFAX STATION	\$874,950	Detached	0.66	22039
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8404 HELLER RD	5	7	1	LORTON	\$840,000	Detached	1.00	22079
7612 RUSTLE RIDGE CT	5	3	1	FAIRFAX STATION	\$839,950	Detached	0.61	22039

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News



Police investigator Tom Polhemus discusses the perils of identity fraud.



Police Det. Mike Deane advises residents, "Monitor your bank statements."

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Guarding Against Identity Theft and Fraud

Police advise residents on how to protect themselves.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

With identity theft and fraud being such a major concern these days, police investigator Tom Polhemus and Det. Mike Deane recently presented some ways local residents can protect themselves from becoming victims.

They're both with the Sully District Station's Financial Crimes section and spoke during a meeting of the station's Citizens Advisory Committee. Basically, said Polhemus, "If you know how people are being ripped off, you'll know how to protect yourself."

He told residents to watch their bank accounts online and carefully examine their statements each month. If something's amiss, he said, "After 60 days, you own it."

The mail also holds hidden dangers, said Polhemus. "When you get a pre-approved credit application in the mail, thieves will take it from your mailbox, get the credit card and run up the bill in your name," he warned.

But, he said, "There's an opt-out number on the application, and you can call it from your home phone. Just follow the prompts and that'll tell the three credit bureaus—Esperian, Trans Union and Equifax—that you don't want this mail anymore."

Polhemus said consumers should go to www.annualcreditreport.com, or call this entity, to check on their credit report for any possible discrepancies or charges that shouldn't be there. "Do it once a

year; it's free," he said.

"If you find there's a delinquent account with something you didn't sign up for, contact the creditor and fill out a police report and an affidavit of fraud," said Polhemus. "Have it removed from your credit report and stay on top of it. We see a lot of credit card fraud and stolen credit cards. They're taken especially from women in crowded restaurants or at fitness centers and health clubs."

He said thieves also know that many people leave their wallets and purses in their cars, instead of in lockers, at their gym. So he told residents to keep their valuables with them, instead.

"Some thieves will even steal a person's keys from their gym locker and then use them to open their car and steal their credit cards," added Deane.

SENIOR CITIZENS are also preyed upon, said Polhemus. "People will take a credit card from their purses while they're distracted," he said. But those wanting to commit credit card fraud and identity theft target people of all ages.

For example, said Polhemus, "A temp at your dentist's office has access to your credit card information and address. She can order a \$4,000 computer online, have it sent to your address and track its shipping online. Then she'll call UPS and tell them to hold it for pickup, instead. Or she'll change the shipping address to another state."

He said police also handle a
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Learn more about the history of the 1917 suffragist imprisonment at the Occoquan Workhouse and the plans to build the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial nearby at the Occoquan Regional Park. Activities will include films and displays on the suffragist movement which brought the largest expansion of democracy in America. There will be suffragist re-enactors and children's activities throughout the afternoon.

❖ 12:30 p.m.: "The Suffrage Prisoners at Occoquan," illustrated talk by Alice Reagan, Associate Professor of History, Northern Virginia Community College.

❖ 1:15 p.m.: "About the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial," talk by Emily McCoy, Chair of the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial, which will include a 3-D animation "fly-through" of the planned memorial.

❖ 1:45 p.m.: Appearance by suffragist Mrs. Robert Walker, re-enacted by Lynne Garvey-Hodge.

❖ 2:30- 3:30 p.m.: Photo opportunity with costumed suffragists. Watch "The War of the Roses," an award-winning student film about the conflict between Tennessee legislators opposed to suffrage (red roses) and those in favor of giving women the right to vote (yellow roses). Tennessee was the last state to ratify the 19th amendment in 1920.

3:30 p.m.: Performance of suffragist songs. Singers from the Metropolitan Academy of the Arts give voice to the music sung at the turn of the century in support of women's right to vote.

Turning Point Suffragist Memorial Association (TPSM) is an all volunteer 501c3 with the mission "to memorialize the suffragists whose harsh treatment at the Occoquan Workhouse in Lorton served as a turning point for the recognition of a woman's right to vote; and to educate, inspire and empower present and future generations to remain vigilant in the quest for equal rights." The goal is to raise money now so that a memorial will be in place by 2020, the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment. Learn more about the memorial at www.suffragistmemorial.org.



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OPINION

Excerpts From King's 'I Have a Dream'

Martin Luther King Jr. spoke to the March on Washington 50 years ago next week, Aug. 28, 1963.

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"Five score years ago, a great American, in whose symbolic shadow we stand signed the Emancipation Proclamation. This momentous decree came as a great beacon light of hope to millions of Negro slaves who had been seared in the flames of withering injustice. It came as a joyous daybreak to end the long night of captivity.

"But one hundred years later, we must face the tragic fact that the Negro is still not free. One hundred years later, the life of the Negro is still sadly crippled by the manacles of segregation and the chains of discrimination. One hundred years later, the Negro lives on a lonely island of poverty in the midst of a vast ocean of material prosperity. One hundred years later, the Negro is still languishing in the corners of American society and finds himself an exile in his own land. So we have come here today to

dramatize an appalling condition. ...

"We have also come to this hallowed spot to remind America of the fierce urgency of now. This is no time to engage in the luxury of cooling off or to take the tranquilizing drug of gradualism. Now is the time to rise from the dark and desolate valley of segregation to the sunlit path of racial justice. Now is the time to open the doors of opportunity to all of God's

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children. Now is the time to lift our nation from the quicksands of racial injustice to the solid rock of brotherhood. ...

"We can never be satisfied as long as a Negro in Mississippi cannot vote and a Negro in New York believes he has nothing for which to vote. No, no, we are not satisfied, and we will not be satisfied until justice rolls down like waters and righteousness like a mighty stream. ...

"I say to you today, my friends, that in spite of the difficulties and frustrations of the moment, I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream.

"I have a dream that one day this nation will

rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: 'We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal.'

"I have a dream today. ...

"This is our hope. This is the faith with which I return to the South. With this faith we will be able to hew out of the mountain of despair a stone of hope. With this faith we will be able to transform the jangling discords of our nation into a beautiful symphony of brotherhood. ...

"This will be the day when all of God's children will be able to sing with a new meaning, 'My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing. Land where my fathers died, land of the pilgrim's pride, from every mountainside, let freedom ring.'

"And if America is to be a great nation this must become true. So let freedom ring ...

"And when this happens, when we allow freedom to ring, when we let it ring from every village and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God's children, black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing in the words of the old Negro spiritual, 'Free at last! Free at last! Thank God Almighty, we are free at last!'"

COMMENTARY

Setting Record Straight on Libraries

The facts on the proposed library pilot program.

BY PAT HERRITY
SUPERVISOR (R-SPRINGFIELD)

There has been much confusion about the recently-announced recommendation from the Library Board to pilot some changes to more efficiently serve library patrons at two county libraries. Libraries are pillars in our community, they are resources for people furthering their education, they are places of discovery for children, and they are a critical gathering place in our neighborhoods. Just like our community, our libraries have evolved over time, and as they have countrywide, libraries will need to continue to evolve in order to best meet the needs of our residents. Unfortunately, the announcement of this simple two-library pilot has resulted in a swirl of misinformation about what it is and what it will do. I would like to take this opportunity today to set the record straight.

First, this is a pilot program. The county is not suddenly making overnight changes to the way our libraries operate. Instead, we

are going to run a pilot program at the Burke Centre and Reston Regional Libraries to see if the recommendations work. Both libraries will test the "one-desk" model of customer service, with cross-trained staff answering account and information questions, as well as increased programming conducted within the branch and the community. The one-desk model should be a benefit to the library patron who will only have to go to one place to get all of their questions answered. It will likely also make for more well rounded staff that have a greater understanding of the total operation of a library.

Second, we are not laying anyone off. This is a pilot program—we have absolutely no intention of cutting staff to accommodate the pilot program. If the model works, any reduction in staff at the libraries is expected to occur via natural attrition. Over 30 percent of employees in the county's library workforce will be eligible to retire by 2015.

Third, by not requiring a Masters of Library Science (MLS) requirement for the positions in the pilot, we are not "dumbing down" the library workforce. Only 15 states nationwide currently have a MLS requirement and Virginia isn't one of them. The MLS will remain a preferred qualification,

however a dynamic workforce, and one that attracts the best and the brightest, should be open to competition from people with differing backgrounds. As the challenges of a 21st century library system continue to evolve, the county needs to be able to hire the best person for the job—that could be someone with a MLS, someone with a technology or education degree, or more likely, a mix of both. Currently, the vast majority of those on our library staff do not hold an MLS.

Finally, this is an opportunity for the county to bring you the best library service that it possibly can. This is an opportunity to increase the efficiency of our library system and improve customer service. It is an opportunity to adapt to the challenges that the Internet and technology bring.

The real question is, "Why wouldn't you want to do a pilot to see if you can improve service and be more efficient?" Only when we have the results of the pilot the Library Board and county staff can make an informed decision on the best course for our libraries and the county. I will be waiting for the results of the pilot before I form any opinion on whether we should make the changes permanent at these two libraries or institute them at any other libraries.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Beyond the Borders

To the Editor:

The needs of our immigrant populations will continue long after Congress makes a decision about comprehensive immigration reform.

Immigrants face many obstacles in integrating into their new communities. Joanne Lipson, a nurse anthropologist who studied an Afghan population that settled in California after the Afghan Russian incursion, found that language and social dissonance kept most Afghans from associating with Americans. This keeps people from thriving in their new country. In her book, "The Middle of Everywhere: Helping Refugees Enter the American Community," psychologist Mary Pipher explains the myriad of things persons from other cultures must learn about life here in the U.S. This book is available through the Fairfax County Public Library. ESOL classes, citizenship classes, GED and vocational training will be needed to fully integrate our new Americans into society.

More than military presence at the border, the root causes of immigration must be addressed.

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Scouts Attend National Jamboree

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ever they wanted;

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had free time until 9:30.

The Summit Bechtel Reserve overall did a fantastic job of hosting the Jamboree. There were some minor inconveniences and some improvements that definitely need to be made before they host the next Jamboree, but overall the staff and management did a great job. All of the scouts attending had a fantastic time—trying new things, making new friends and having a blast trading patches (a sacred tradition of the Jamboree that lives on!).

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THURSDAY-SUNDAY/AUG. 22-SEPT. 8

Workhouse Clay National Exhibition. Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. View A juried exhibition of ceramic art from across the country representing various styles and trends in the art field. <http://workhousearts.org/events/visual-arts/3rd-annual-workhouse-clay-national-2013>.

THURSDAY/AUG. 22

Get Funked. 7-11:30 p.m., Empire-Alchemy Room, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. The Prime Tribe, Scotts Run, Albino Rhino, and others perform acoustic, funk and fusion music. \$10. www.ampedandalive.com/eventdetails.aspx?eventId=1181.

FRIDAY/AUG. 23

The United States Army Blues. 7:30-8:30 p.m., at Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield. This group began in 1942 and since then, it has evolved into the premier jazz ensemble of the United States Army. www.bands.army.mil.

SATURDAY/AUG. 24

Free Nutritional Seminar. 4 p.m.



The triple-threat cast of "Fame," the musical, coming to the Workhouse, 9601 Ox Road, Aug. 23-31 with 7:30 p.m. showings and one 3 p.m. matinee. The 80s throwback musical to the popular TV show that engaged teens throughout the nation is performed by students from the Metropolitan Performing Arts Theatre ensemble.

3443 Carlin Springs Road, Bailey's Crossroads. Mikido Martial Arts presents a nutrition, exercise, and weight loss seminar led by personal trainers. 703-922-0060 or 571-344-9483.

The Dangerous Summer, Tommy and the High Pilots, Rare Monk. 5-11:30 p.m. Varied artists perform songs of the rock genre. \$12. www.ampedandalive.com/eventdetails.aspx?eventId=1133.

Quin Tango. 7-8 p.m., at Workhouse Arts Center at Lorton, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. QuinTango is a quintet of two violins, cello, bass and piano dedicated to the musical performance of tango. www.quintango.com.

SUNDAY/AUG. 25

Women's Equality Day. 12:30-4 p.m. Building 9, Lorton Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. The Workhouse Prison Museum and the Turning Point Suffrage Memorial celebrate the 93rd anniversary of the 19th amendment which granted women suffrage. The event includes music, a film, historical reenactments, and more. 703-584-2900 or workhousemuseums.org.
Late Nite Reading. 5-10 p.m. Empire-Alchemy Room, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. Late Nite Reading, This Is All Now, and Heres to Us perform pop music. \$10. www.ampedandalive.com/eventdetails.aspx?eventId=1144.

WEDNESDAY/AUG. 28

Workshop: Developing Learning Skills Through Movement. 10-11:30 a.m. Kirkwood Presbyterian Church, 8336 Carrleigh Parkway, Springfield. Jeannine Lacquement, founding director of Children of the Light Dancers, explores how movement can assist learning in children. \$7 per adult; children admitted for free; complimentary refreshments; dress comfortably; R.S.V.P. to MomsOnTheRun4@gmail.com with the number of children attending. 703-405-8331.

Mic Check: Hip Hop Showcase. 7 p.m., Empire-Alchemy Room, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. Varied artists present music of the hip hop genre. \$10. www.ampedandalive.com/eventdetails.aspx?eventId=1186

FRIDAY/AUG. 30

City of Fairfax Band Alte Kameraden German Band. 7:30-8:30 p.m., at Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield. AUG-toberfest, featuring the Blaskapelle Alte Kameraden Bavarian Band, invites you to end your summer in Octoberfest style with authentic fest musik and "gemutlichkeit." www.fairfaxband.org.

SATURDAY/AUG. 31

Back to School Bash Health Fair. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Hilton, 6550 Loisdale Road, Springfield. Volunteers and families are welcome to this free event that provides free school supplies, backpacks, haircuts, immunizations and health screenings, a community fair, and children's activities. Booths assigned first-come, first-served basis. 205-222-8975.

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Tango Comes to Lorton Workhouse

QuinTango to perform Saturday.

BY BARBARA BOLAND
THE CONNECTION

QuinTango, a chamber tango music group with international acclaim, will play at Lorton Workhouse Art Center, at 9601 Ox Road, on Saturday, Aug. 24 at 7 p.m. The concert is free and concertgoers are invited to listen to the music sponsored by the Fairfax County Park Authority, with seating under a tent, and take in the sounds of Buenos Aires.

The QuinTango players are a quintet of two violins, cello, bass and piano and they will be accompanied by dancers Anton Gazenbeek and Mandi Messina.

Joan Singer, the founder of the group and an Alexandria native, started Quintango 15 years ago after playing tango music for fun for a long time. QuinTango is the only tango music group to give a Command Performance at The White House and the only American tango group to give a Command Performance at the U.S. Embassy in Buenos Aires.

A finalist in the 2004 Interna-



QuinTango's CD.

tional Tango Competition, QuinTango has been heard on NPR's Morning Edition, CNN and network television in both the U.S. and Costa Rica. They have also won WAMMIE awards five times. The group is currently working on its sixth album.

In the same way that jazz represents African American culture, so also tango evokes a broad spectrum of the culture of Buenos Aires and the Rio de la Plata. "I love the international aspect of the music, the fact that people all over the world love tango music and have

their own takes on it," Singer said. "There are tango communities everywhere you go in the world. Wherever you are, there are people that love tango and that dance to it, like an underground river which, if you know about it, can sweep you away."

The QuinTango players tell stories about their music and their adventures in Argentina throughout the concert, between songs. They will be signing CDs afterwards. The concert is free, and those who feel so inclined are welcome to dance on the grass.



Daniel Raphael and Rachel Gart

Rachel Gart and Daniel Raphael Engaged

Rachel Gart of Fairfax Station, daughter of Ron and Ilyse Gart of Fairfax Station, and Daniel Raphael of Oakton, son of Larry and Marlene Raphael of Oakton, are engaged and plan to wed in early September.

The bride-to-be graduated from Robinson High School and is an alumnus of The University of Virginia McIntire School of Commerce and Harvard Law

School. She will be working for Crowell and Moring in its Washington, D.C. law offices.

The future groom graduated from Oakton High School and holds a business degree from Virginia Tech. He works for Avalon Bay Communities, Inc.

A September wedding is planned at Raspberry Plain in Leesburg, Va. and the couple plan to honeymoon in Bali, Indonesia.

Identity Theft Protection Tips

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great deal of cases involving counterfeit credit cards. "The most important thing to a criminal is the magnetic stripe on the back of your card," explained Polhemus. "He can swipe it through a device to record it—and now he has your credit card. And there's no skill involved; it's really easy to do. At different times, various point-of-service computer terminals in stores and restaurants are compromised, as well."

Noting that crimes such as these are "now driven by organized crime, such as the Russian mob and the Romanians," he said they'll "put a device on top of a particular ATM. So when you put in your credit card, it'll skim your magnetic stripe and have a camera photograph your pin number as you punch it into the pin pad."

Furthermore, said Deane, "Now they can harvest your

credit card information remotely. If they want it, they'll get it, so monitor your bank statements."

"And if you do and you contact your bank and notify them about any charges that aren't yours, you will get your money back," added Polhemus.

He also advised the audience about check fraud, saying that there's no difference between the way a real and a counterfeit check look.

What's important, he said, are the routing and account numbers on the bottom of the check.

"When you pay your mortgage and put the envelope in the mailbox with the 'steal-me' flag up, a thief will take your check and counterfeit 10 checks," said Polhemus. "He'll then deposit these checks and get the cash back from your bank at several different locations. So don't mail your checks from home; do it from work or at the post office."

Even seemingly innocuous situations may pose a threat, he said.

"For instance, if you pay for Girl Scout cookies with a check and the child's brother gets a hold of it and gets the numbers, he can use them to make automatic, monthly purchases for porn, or whatever he wants," said Polhemus.

However, he added, "If your identity's been stolen, you can get an identity theft passport from the attorney general's office to show the police, if necessary."

Polhemus also warned residents to never wire money to strangers online. "Your nephew isn't in trouble overseas," he said. "And the power company isn't going to call and threaten to turn off your power in an hour if you don't wire money immediately—100 percent, it's a fraud."

REGARDING FRAUD AGAINST THE ELDERLY, he said people age 70 and over need to obtain a credit freeze. "They'd pay \$10 to each of the three credit bureaus to prevent anyone else from having access to their credit

Review Credit Reports & Avoid Ripoffs

Fairfax County police offer the following tips regarding identity theft and fraud:

- ❖ Review credit reports annually
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Trans Union: Fraud, 800-680-7289; Credit history, 800-888-4213;
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Go to www.annualcreditreport.com.
- ❖ Opt out of receiving pre-approved credit card applications by calling 888-567-8688.
- ❖ Monitor credit cards and bank accounts online for early fraud detection.
- ❖ Don't mail bills from home; use electronic banking, if possible.
- ❖ Victims of identity theft should get a police report and secure a seven-year fraud alert or a credit freeze.
- ❖ People 70 and older should contact the credit bureaus and obtain a credit freeze, even if they're not currently identity theft victims.
- ❖ Never wire money to strangers online; these requests are scams.

accounts. That way, no new credit would be issued."

It's necessary, said Polhemus, because some unscrupulous home health care providers will, otherwise, come into elderly people's homes, take their credit cards and run them up. "It's sad; we see senior citizens get ripped off all the time," he said. "But family members can monitor their accounts online for them."

At the end of his presentation, a resident asked how police decide which financial crimes to investigate. "Our loose criteria for investigating a case are: Is a Fairfax County resident out of money, and do we have a likelihood of prosecution?" answered Polhemus. "It also helps if there's a good video or surveillance photo of the thief."



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Robinson football coach Dan Meier talks to the Rams prior to a scrimmage at West Potomac on Friday, Aug. 16.

Robinson Football Team Under New Leadership

Running back Wilson returns after 2,000-yard season.

BY JON ROETMAN
THE CONNECTION

After back-to-back subpar seasons, the Robinson football team is looking to return to its winning ways with a hard-nosed style of play. Leading the way for the Rams in 2013 are a 2,000-yard running back, a stout defensive lineman who now contributes on offense and an “old school” head coach with three state titles under his belt.

After retiring as principal of Robinson Secondary School, Dan Meier returns to the sidelines to serve as interim head coach of the Rams. Meier won a state championship with Chantilly in 1996, and guided West Potomac to state titles in 1989 (Division 6) and 1990 (D5). Meier takes over for Trey Taylor, who led the Rams to the playoffs in each of his two seasons as head coach, but finished with a 4-7 record in 2011 and a 5-6 mark in 2012.

“He’s a really good coach,” senior running back Joe Wilson said about Meier. “[He’s an] old school coach.”

Wilson returns as the Rams’ top offensive threat. The 5-foot-9, 195-pound running back led the area with 2,358 yards and scored 33 touchdowns last season. Avyn Johnson, Marcus Denham, DeMarcus Byrdson and Justin No could also see carries for the Rams.

Jake Pinkston could be a weapon at fullback. Entering his third year as a varsity starter, the 5-foot-8, 250-pound Pinkston has been a standout at defensive tackle. This season, he has the chance to make an impact on offense, as well.

Pinkston said Meier suggested in the past



Robinson running back Joe Wilson rushed for more than 2,000 yards last season.

that he play fullback. Now that Meier is head coach, Pinkston is lining up in the backfield.

“We’re getting back to how we used to play—hard and fast,” Pinkston said. “[We’re] not worried about the big things or anything else. We’re just focused on winning games and getting better every day. ... I like getting people on me. I like carrying the load. It’s nice.”

Junior Jack Rowlett returns as the starting quarterback. Endi Ackerman, Devante Hicks and Navarus Grant could see time at receiver. Six-foot-5, 310-pound Aiden Elkhatib is the leader of the offensive line.

On defense, the Rams return seniors with starting experience. Pinkston anchors the D-line and Johnson returns at “Mike” linebacker. Grant, Hicks, Rowlett and Stephen Diggs comprise the secondary.

Robinson will play in 6A North’s Conference 5 after the VHSL’s six-class realignment. The conference is composed of the six teams that played in the former Concorde District.

The Rams will open the season at home against Lake Braddock at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 30.

“Our goals are play 15 games,” Wilson said, “and win the state title.”

McLean Finishes Runner-Up at Little League Softball World Series

The McLean All-Stars reached the championship game of the Little League Softball World Series, but fell short against Sunnyside from Arizona, 9-0, on Aug. 14 in Portland, Ore.

McLean won its first five games of the World Series, beating teams from Oregon, Puerto Rico, Ohio, Italy and New Jersey.

McLean team members were: Caitlin Jorae; Madison Wolfe; Gracen Govan; Kathryn Sandercock; Elizabeth Hoeymans; Rachel Remer; Julia Jones; Jamie Wang; Kate Haas; Cate Willing; Riley Simon; and Sarah Stahlman.

USA Hockey Team Camp to Include Public Day

USA Hockey’s 2013 U.S. Men’s National Team Camp, which will be staged at the Kettler Capitals Iceplex in Arlington, will include a public day on Tuesday, Aug. 27.

Tickets for the event are limited and are on sale at ticketmaster.com.

All ticket holders will receive the following: player autographs; collectible puck; limited edition scarf; American flag; chance to skate; exclusive pre-order access to the Nike USA Hockey Olympic replica jersey.

In addition, NHL Network’s Kathryn Tappen will host an on-ice program that will include the unveiling of the 2014 Nike Olympic jersey, the introduction of all 48 players attending the camp, and product giveaways.

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Voluntary Remediation Program (VRP) No: 494

VRP Applicant: FW VA-Kings Park Shopping Center LLC
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