

Gubernatorial hopeful Terry McAuliffe encourages supporters to register to help get out the vote in the days left until the election at an event at Herndon Middle School on Oct. 28. Former President Bill Clinton is spending several days in Virginia campaigning with McAuliffe.

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Republican incumbent Del. Tom Rust (R-86) will face off against Democratic challenger Jennifer Boysko for the 86th district Tuesday, Nov. 5.



Rust, Boysko Duel for 86th District Seat

Incumbent Tom Rust faces challenger Jennifer Boysko on Nov. 5.

BY ALEX MCVEIGH
THE CONNECTION

Del. Tom Rust (R-86) seeks re-election to a seventh term on Tuesday, Nov. 5, with Democratic challenger Jennifer Boysko hoping to unseat him.

The 86th district runs north of Route 50 from Chantilly to Leesburg Pike, mostly west of Fairfax County Parkway, encompassing portions of Chantilly, Oak Hill, Herndon and Reston.

The district went heavily Democratic in the 2012 election, with Barack Obama getting 60 percent to Mitt Romney's 39 percent and Tim Kaine getting 61 percent to George Allen's 39 percent.

This race has been an especially contentious one, with more than \$562,000 being spent, as opposed to around \$220,000, which is the average for similar races in the state.

Democrats see it as a chance to gain one of two delegate seats needed to undo the Republican supermajority in the house.

BOYSKO has worked for Alabama Sen. Richard Shelby, and as a legislative assistant covering NAFTA, telecommunications deregulation, aviation, financial derivatives, Superfund and alternative fuels.

From 2008 to this year, she was the Herndon aide to Supervisor John Foust (D-Dranesville), serving as a liaison between the community and the Board of Supervisors.

"As much as I enjoyed working for Supervisor Foust, I've watched what's happened at the General Assembly level over the past few years, and I'm very frustrated," she said. "We've watched them move further and further and further to the right."

She says she supports Medicaid expansion in Virginia, tackling transportation and education, which includes "teaching our children problem solving and critical thinking skills while making sure our teachers are getting a fair wage."

"Tom Rust has meant a lot to the Town of Herndon, but as a delegate, I don't feel he's giving us anything that's making this state a better place," said Barry Gostler of Herndon. "Jennifer seems to be someone who will fight against the partisan status quo, and her knowledge of this community means she knows



Democratic challenger Jennifer Boysko will attempt to unseat Del. Tom Rust (R-86) on Tuesday, Nov. 5.



Del. Tom Rust (R-86) will vie for a seventh term on Tuesday, Nov. 5, facing off against Democrat Jennifer Boysko.

our wants and needs."

RUST served on the Herndon Town Council from 1971 to 1975, when he was elected mayor. He held that position until 1984, and was elected mayor again in 1990, serving until 2001, when he was elected to represent the 86th district.

"After 10 years of really hard work getting the transportation plan done, which a lot of people give me and three or four others credit for accomplishing, people said 'why don't you go out on a high note?'" he said. "I thought about it, but there's a lot of work left to be done."

He says his top priorities for the upcoming term are education, where he has "plans to make major changes to SOLs," implementation of the transportation plan, jobs and the economy.

"We're not out of the proverbial woods yet, we need to make sure we stay open for business here in Virginia, protect our right to work laws and have a business-friendly atmosphere so businesses want to come to Virginia, do come to Virginia and stay here in Virginia," he said.

If re-elected he says he also hopes to introduce a bill to do away with the hybrid car fee, and keep tuition costs down.

"Throughout this entire state, I don't think you'll find a politician who knows their district as well as Tom Rust knows the 86th," said Dave Leopold of Herndon. "I think he's demonstrated true leadership in Richmond, true bipartisan leadership, and there's a lot to be done this term. I want someone who has the experience, and who helped get us here to get us to the finish line."



PHOTOS BY DEB COBB/THE CONNECTION

Greeting the crowds, Virginia gubernatorial hopeful Terry McAuliffe rests his hand on former President Bill Clinton's shoulder at an Oct. 28 election event held at Herndon Middle School.

Clinton, McAuliffe Come to Herndon



On the campaign with Virginia gubernatorial hopeful Terry McAuliffe, former President Bill Clinton speaks at an Oct. 28 event at Herndon Middle School. Also on the stage, from left, attorney general candidate Mark Herring, gubernatorial candidate Terry McAuliffe and Dorothy McAuliffe.



Lewi Gonzalez (left), Elieen Virnspon, both of Herndon, and Tewannah Durgaminah of Fairfax wait in the crowd.

Eddie Mae Walker (left) and Farima Mejia of Herndon wait for the arrival of former President Bill Clinton with gubernatorial hopeful Terry McAuliffe Oct. 28.



Making Voters Feel Welcome, No Matter Their Language

County election officials have stepped up outreach efforts and volunteer recruitment efforts.

By VICTORIA ROSS
THE CONNECTION

It's been nearly a year since more than 450,000 Fairfax County voters cast their ballots at 237 precincts in the 2012 presidential election, and for most voters, the process was quick and painless.

But long lines and even longer wait times at some polls frustrated voters and prompted Fairfax County to investigate what went wrong.

Making sure that history does not repeat itself, Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova set up a special bipartisan Election Commission less than two weeks after the 2012 election to look into what caused the long lines, whether poll workers were trained properly and why some voters just gave up and went home.

Appointed by the Board of Supervisors, the 2013 Bipartisan Election Process Improvement Commission consists of county residents who represent the county's supervisory districts, communities within the county and organizations. Katherine Hanley, former chair of the Board of Supervisors, and Stuart Mendelsohn, former Dranesville supervisor, co-chaired the commission.

One of the key reasons for the problems, election officials said, was a shortage of poll volunteers.

This year, Cameron Quinn, the county's chief election official, and the county's Electoral Board have been working together to implement some of the 50 recommendations made by the bipartisan committee in May.

"We've been doing a number of things since January to improve outreach and make things go smoothly for every voter this year," Quinn said last week. "We've done a lot more targeting of messages to people who need it, senior and disabled population, and we've been able to provide more bi-lingual volunteers at precincts that need language assistance."

In addition to printing all voting materials in English and Spanish, a federal requirement, Quinn said the county will have English/Spanish bi-lingual volunteers at every precinct, as well as Korean-speaking volunteers at some polling precincts with large Korean populations.

"I was touched with Korean community's efforts to help us translate materials and provide volunteers," Quinn said. "And so we're trying to encourage other pockets. My next target is Vietnamese. We've also printed recruitment brochures in Farsi, Arabic, Chinese Korean, French, and Spanish."

Another key improvement was raising the



Voters lined up outside Lake Anne Elementary early Tuesday morning for last year's election. Voters reported about a 45-minute wait at Lake Anne Elementary.

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Highlights of Bipartisan Election Commission's Report

Last fall, the Board of Supervisors appointed a 26-member Bipartisan Election Process Improvement Commission to look into some of the problems encountered by voters and election officers during the 2012 general election, including long lines. In March this year the commission released its report, offering over 50 recommendations, including:

- ❖ Use electronic poll books at all precincts
- ❖ Avoid parent-teacher conferences on Election Day
- ❖ Encourage voters to use optically scanned ballots, reserving touch-screen machines for voters with disabilities
- ❖ Enable dedicated phone lines for the chiefs to use to reach the registrar and elections offices
- ❖ Purchase new voting equipment to modernize and improve the voting process

pay of election volunteers, from \$100 to \$175 per day, which Quinn said has helped in the effort to recruit more volunteers.

The county also encouraged absentee voting, starting the process three weeks earlier at satellite sites. As of Oct. 23, Quinn said there have been more than 17,248 absentee applications, a 50 percent increase from 2012.

"The Electoral Board agreed with the vast majority of the recommendations the commission made and most of those recommendations are being implemented right now or will be implemented in the future," said Brian Schoeneman, a Fairfax County attorney and secretary of the Electoral Board.

- ❖ Consider raising election officers' pay and increasing the number of rovers
- The Office of Elections is considering the following recommendations to determine which may be implemented.
- ❖ Refer to "electronically scanned" ballots, not "paper"
- ❖ Configure lines and precinct room layout for maximum efficiency
- ❖ Meet with EO teams the night before election to set up and for a quick review of duties
- ❖ Post maps outside rooms of co-located precincts
- ❖ Be sensitive to and assist voters with disabilities and those with limited English skills

(Read the full report at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/electioncommission.)

"One thing we knew even before November was that we needed to begin thinking of replacing our aging voting equipment," Schoeneman said. "We have made significant progress in that area and are evaluating a variety of systems with a goal of implementing a new, fully integrated system by November 2014."

The Board of Supervisors allotted \$6 million for new equipment this year, which Quinn said gives the election office "more breathing room" to implement some improvements.

Last week, the Sully District precinct, received its first Ballot on Demand machine. Adrienne Free of Fairfax, an election offi-

cial stationed at the precinct, said the new technology would make it easier for both voters and volunteers.

"We have literally dozens of different ballot combinations of offices," Free said. "With the new equipment, we won't have to print as many ballots."

In some election years, like the upcoming 2015 elections, election officials will juggle more than 80 different ballots to accommodate the various jurisdictional boundaries across Fairfax County.

The multiple ballots are especially difficult to handle with absentee ballots and absentee in-person voting at the satellite locations and the Government Center, where officials have to have every single ballot combination available to allow every voter in Fairfax to vote.

"Ballot on demand technology lets us get around the need to print thousands of copies of each ballot and have them available, especially in the satellites and Government Center," Schoeneman said.

Instead, election officers can print the ballot for voters at the time they check-in, saving the time of finding the correct ballot, saving the money of printing thousands of ballots no one will ever use, and reducing errors caused by handing out incorrect ballots to voters.

"Many jurisdictions around the country are moving to this model and we hope Fairfax — if the tests are successful — will help lead the way here in Virginia," Schoeneman said.

PEOPLE



John Burkarth of Herndon is the Special Olympics gold medalist for Virginia. He won the weekend of Oct. 18-20 with a score of 64-86-59 on a course in Galloway, N.J.

John Burkarth Wins Special Olympics Gold Medal

John Burkarth of Herndon won his first national tournament and became the Virginia gold medalist in the Special Olympics 2013 held in Galloway, N.J., Oct. 18-20.

Burkarth was tested in six different shot-making skills and scored 64-86-59 for a total score of 209, first place in the top division of the individual skills competition.

Burkarth celebrated with medals, smiles and high fives at the end of the three-day

Special Olympics North America Golf Invitational Tournament at the Stockton Seaview Hotel & Golf Club in Galloway. A field of 176 golfers from 23 programs representing the United States and Canada competed in one of five levels of competition—individual skills (Level I), 9- and 18-hole alternate shot team play (Levels II & III), and 9- and 18-hole individual stroke play (Levels IV & V).

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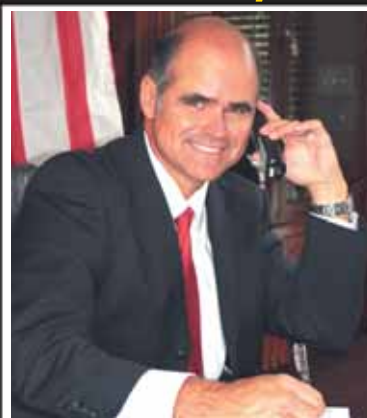
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OPINION

Vote Nov. 5 or Before

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Tuesday, Nov. 5

EDITORIAL

For voters in Virginia, it is hard to overstate how important it is to go out and vote next week. All Virginia voters will see statewide races for governor, lieutenant governor and attorney general, plus one delegate race. In addition, there are a few local races in Alexandria and Arlington, a bond question in Fairfax County and a referendum question about the housing authority in Arlington.

These off-year elections attract many fewer voters.

In 2008, 74.5 percent of Virginia's registered voters turned out to vote in the presidential election. In 2009, the last time Virginians elected a governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general and members of the House of Delegates, just 40.4 percent of registered voters came out to vote.

That is to say that 1.7 million voters went missing in the commonwealth.

Last November, more than 70 percent of Virginia's registered voters turned out. Will this November see 40 percent or less? Choices at the statewide level could hardly be more stark, and low turnout will make the outcome unpredictable.

This week's Connection includes what you need to know about the mechanics of voting and what is on the ballot.

Don't be among the missing.

Voter Identification Rules Same as Last Year

Virginia's existing voter ID requirements will change in July 2014. A law requiring photo identification at the polls was signed into law in May 2013, but this new photo identification requirement will not take effect until July 1, 2014.

When you arrive at your polling place, a voting official will verify that your name is on the registration list. Voters will be asked to present one valid form of identification this year when voting, any of the following: Virginia voter registration card; Virginia driver's license; military ID; any Federal, Virginia state or local government-issued ID; employer issued photo ID card; concealed handgun permit; valid Virginia student ID; current utility bill, bank statement, government check or paycheck indicating the name and address of the voter; Social Security card.

On the Ballot 2013

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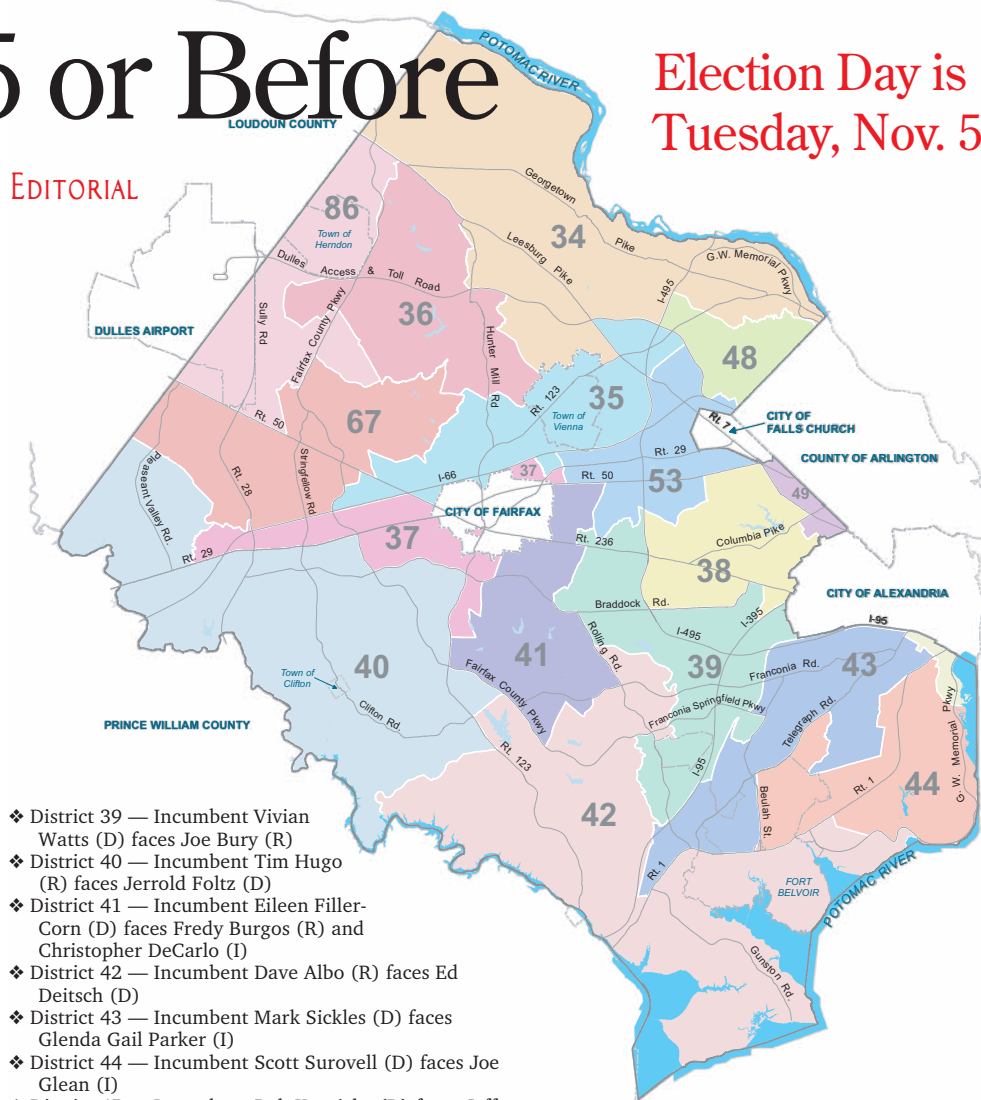
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HOUSE OF DELEGATES 2013 ELECTIONS

Every Virginia voter will vote for delegate in the voter's district. Delegates serve two-year terms.

- ❖ District 34 — Incumbent Barbara Comstock (R) faces Kathleen Murphy (D)
- ❖ District 35 — Incumbent Mark Keam (D) faces Leiann Leppin (R)
- ❖ District 36 — Incumbent Ken Plum (D) is unopposed
- ❖ District 37 — Incumbent David Bulova (D) faces Patrice Winter (R)
- ❖ District 38 — Incumbent Kaye Kory (D) faces Jim Leslie (I)



- ❖ District 39 — Incumbent Vivian Watts (D) faces Joe Bury (R)
- ❖ District 40 — Incumbent Tim Hugo (R) faces Jerrold Foltz (D)
- ❖ District 41 — Incumbent Eileen Filler-Corn (D) faces Fredy Burgos (R) and Christopher DeCarlo (I)
- ❖ District 42 — Incumbent Dave Albo (R) faces Ed Deutsch (D)
- ❖ District 43 — Incumbent Mark Sickles (D) faces Glenda Gail Parker (I)
- ❖ District 44 — Incumbent Scott Surovell (D) faces Joe Glean (I)
- ❖ District 45 — Incumbent Rob Krupicka (D) faces Jeff Engle (I)
- ❖ District 46 — Incumbent Charniele Herring (D) is unopposed
- ❖ District 47 — Incumbent Patrick Hope (D) faces Laura Delhomme (I)
- ❖ District 48 — Incumbent Bob Brink (D) faces Laura Delhomme (I)
- ❖ District 49 — Incumbent Alfonso Lopez (D) faces Terry Modglin (I)
- ❖ District 53 — Marcus Simon (D) faces Brad Tidwell (R) and Anthony Tellez (L) to replace retiring Del. Jim Scott (D)
- ❖ District 67 — Incumbent Jim Lemunyon (R) faces Hung Nguyen (D)
- ❖ District 86 — Incumbent Tom Rust (R) faces Jennifer Boysko (D)

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- ❖ Buy land for the South West County High School
- ❖ Enhance the capacity of Westbriar Elementary and South Lakes High School
- ❖ Replace or improve infrastructure, such as roofs, major mechanical systems and parking lots.

See <http://www.fcps.edu/news/bond13.shtml> for more details.

Vote Now

From now until Saturday, Nov. 2, you can vote absentee in person for a variety of reasons, but you must sign a form affirming that

you do qualify. Almost everyone with a job in Northern Virginia qualifies for one particular reason: your work plus commute time would be 11 hours or more between 6 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Election Day. Other reasons include planned travel, pregnancy, illness or disability, being a student out of area and more. Voters can also vote absentee by mail.

It's worth looking at the absentee ballot application online before going to vote absentee in person: <http://www.sbe.virginia.gov/Files/Forms/VoterForms/ABApplication.pdf>.

In Fairfax County, you can vote at Fairfax County Governmental Center or any one of seven "satellite" voting locations.

Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 323, Fairfax, VA 22035. Saturday, Nov. 2, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday, Nov. 1, 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

The satellite locations in Fairfax County are also open for absentee in person voting; Saturday, Nov. 2, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Monday-Friday through Nov. 1, 3:30-7 p.m. including

- ❖ Dolley Madison Library, 1244 Oak Ridge Ave., McLean, VA 22101

- ❖ North County Human Services Building, 1850 Cameron Glen Drive, Reston, VA 20190

For more on voting absentee in Fairfax County, call 703-222-0776 or visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/absentee.htm>.

Contact

State Board of Elections, 804-864-8901 Toll Free: 800-552-9745 FAX: 804-371-0194, email: info@sbe.virginia.gov, http://www.sbe.virginia.gov/cms/Voter_Information/Index.html

Fairfax County Board of Elections, 703-222-0776, www.fairfaxcounty.gov/eb/, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, Suite 323, Fairfax, 22035; FAX 703-324-2205; email voting@fairfaxcounty.gov

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Boysko for 86th

To the Editor:

Jennifer Boysko is a Democrat with a long record of experience and integrity that will serve us well in the Virginia House of Delegates for the 86th district.

In our district she has worked tirelessly—most recently as Supervisors Foust's aide—deeply involved in constituent services and spending several years at the table with elected officials, community representatives, business leaders and inner jurisdictional staff, identifying and planning the best land use and transportation solutions in and around our Herndon/Sterling area. She has worked on tasks large and small, working with the

local PTAs to identify educational solutions, working with county staff to help coordinate the planning of Herndon's new fire station, and coordinating all the players involved in bringing synthetic turf to the Herndon High School athletic fields.

Boysko is endorsed by the Fairfax County Federation of Teachers, Planned Parenthood and NARAL, the Farm Team for Women of Virginia, Emily's List, LGBT Democrats of Virginia, AFL-CIO, and many more. She is also endorsed by many well-respected local leaders, including County Chairwoman Sharon Bulova, Senator Janet Howell, Supervisor Cathy Hudgins, Supervisor John Foust, Delegate Ken Plum, former

Senator Charlie Waddell, the majority of Fairfax County School Board.

We can no longer tolerate the anti-woman, anti-environment, anti-gay, anti-Health Care policies of the current House of Delegates that embarrass our state and put the most vulnerable among us at risk. Jennifer Boysko is an experienced, passionate, hard-working candidate who will work cooperatively with Terry McAuliffe and the General Assembly to make Virginia a top education and business-friendly state, while also standing up for the civil rights of all Virginians.

Barbara Glakas
Herndon

Supporting Boysko

To the Editor:

It is time to take back Virginia from the Republican extremists in the House of Delegates. One way we can do that is to vote for Jennifer Boysko for House of Delegates in the 86th District.

We can no longer tolerate a General Assembly that is anti-woman,

anti-environment, anti-gay, anti-business and continues to embarrass the state with its backward policies.

Our current Delegate—Tom Rust (R)—votes with the Virginia Republican leadership 97 percent of the time and has done so for several years. We can no longer tolerate leaders who back extreme, unfriendly policies, that will discourage economic development and do further harm to the envi-

ronment.

Jennifer Boysko is a hard-working experienced leader who will represent our 86th district as the moderate district that it is, and who will have the courage to stand up against extreme policies.

Please vote for Jennifer Boysko for the Virginia House of Delegates 86th District seat on Nov. 5.

Nancy Myers
Herndon

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(1) FOIA emails and documents (2) Fairfax Young Democrats forum, July 17, 2013



Jackie Snow, a resident of Oakton, brought a selection of quilts and fabrics to the craft fair.



Chris and Therese Liebermann by their stand at the St. Joseph's Parish Craft Fair.

Send announcements to herndon@connectionnewspapers.com. The deadline is the Friday prior to the following week's paper. Photos/artwork encouraged. For additional listings, visit <http://www.connectionnewspapers.com/news/2013/sep/26/fairfax-county-calendar/>.

WEDNESDAY/OCT. 30

Turtle Island String Quartet with Nellie McKay. 8 p.m. Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. Nellie McKay joins Grammy-winning Turtle Island String Quartet in producing both renditions of music by Billie Holiday and Billy Strayhorn as well as original pieces. \$20 Reston, \$40 Non-Reston. www.restoncommunitycenter.com.

WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY/OCT. 30-31

Breaking the Panels. 9 a.m.-9 p.m., at Hunters Woods Gallery Exhibit, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. Gian Lomagilo and Jeff Lonnett are two young artists and teachers who are serious about their art, but like to have fun with it. Both were inspired by popular culture but their artistic interpretations are very different.

WEDNESDAY-SUNDAY/OCT. 30-NOV. 3

Expressions Portrait Competition. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday-Saturday; and 1-5 p.m. Sunday, at ArtSpace Herndon, 750 Center St., Herndon. See the work of finalists in the fifth annual portrait competition.

FRIDAY/NOV. 1

Film Fridays. 7 p.m., at ArtSpace Herndon, 750 Center St., Herndon. Drink microbrews while you watch and learn information to help clue you in to what makes these films the best of all time. 21-plus. \$10 for the movie and two microbrews. 703-956-6590 or artspaceherndon.org.

SATURDAY/NOV. 2

Alternative Gifts Market. 9-11 a.m., at Southview Community Church, 2620 Reston Parkway, Herndon. Instead of featuring traditional gifts (chocolates, flowers, jewelry, DVDs), gifts featured provide mosquito nets to children in Africa or legal support to help free a girl from the sex trade.

Children's Fall Flea Market. 9 a.m.-noon at 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. Junior merchants will sell gently used toys, books, clothing, and games at the annual Fall Flea Market. Admission is one non-perishable food item for the RCC Thanksgiving Food Drive.

Girls' Day Out. 11 a.m.-5 p.m., at the Westfields Marriott, 14750 Conference Center Drive, Chantilly. A women's health expo with a luncheon, free health screenings, shopping and breakout sessions on topics such as skincare trends, to "pink toolbox" household fix it tips, financial planning and self defense. \$35. restonhospital.com/spirit.

Singles Dinner & Movie Night. 5 p.m., at Uncle Julio's, Reston Town Center, 1827 Library St., Reston. A fixed price dinner followed by the movie of your choice at Bow-Tie Cinemas. \$30 (includes dinner, soda, tip and movie ticket). RSVP. 301-924-4101 or visitwww.newbeginningsusa.org.

Fear Fest II. 5-6:30 p.m. for youth and families, 8-9:30 p.m. for teens and adults, at Southgate Community Center, 12125 Pinecrest Road, Reston. A haunted house in honor of Halloween; entrance is a canned food donation of Thanksgiving fare or \$2 to benefit Cornerstones' food pantry.

Dead Men's Hollow. 7:30 p.m. show, at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1090 Sterling Road (one block off Elden Street), Herndon. Americana that encompasses bluegrass, country, folk, gospel, olde tyme and a bit of jazz. Three part-harmony female vocals are the mainstay. \$12; children under 12, free. 703-435-8377 or http://www.holycrosslutheranchurch.net/?page_id=18 or www.deadmenhollow.com.



Dead Men's Hollow plays Saturday, Nov. 2, at 7:30 p.m. at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1090 Sterling Road (one block off Elden Street), Herndon.



"Wading Pool," by Chinese brushpainter Tracie Griffith Tso, who will exhibit her work at the Reston Community Center Lake Anne, alongside her students' work and her brushpainted pottery. The Reston artist's show is open through Sunday, Dec. 1. Join for a reception Saturday, Nov. 10, 2-4 p.m.

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SATURDAY-SATURDAY/NOV. 2-30

Ventures and Puzzles. 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Sunday, at Hunters Woods, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. Abstract oil paintings by Frank Eifert; "Half-Reflections" accompany each picture to metaphorically suggest some of the intentions, surprises and significances encountered in the creation of the picture. 703-467-4500 or www.restoncommunitycenter.com.

SATURDAY/NOV. 3

Crafts Fair. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., at Community of Faith United Methodist Church, 13224 Franklin Farm Road, Herndon. Peruse offerings of handmade and unique goods.

TUESDAY-SUNDAY/NOV. 5-DEC. 9

The Artists of Montorno. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday-Saturday; and 1-5 p.m. Sunday, at ArtSpace Herndon, 750 Center St., Herndon. The exhibit features the work of Montorno

instructors—locally and internationally known artists. Portraits, landscapes, still life paintings, drawings, pastels, printmaking and photography are featured. 703-956-6590 or www.artspaceherndon.org.

THURSDAY/NOV. 7

Mosby's Raids. 7 p.m., at Reston Regional Library, 11925 Bowman Towne Drive, Reston. Award-winning author William Connerly will speak on his new book, "Mosby's Raids in Civil War Northern Virginia," and the life of Virginia's "Gray Ghost" Colonel John Singleton Mosby. 703-689-2700.

FRIDAY/NOV. 8

16th annual Monte Carlo Night. 6:30-11 p.m., in the ballroom at the Fairview Park Marriott, 3111 Fairview Park Drive, Falls Church. The Fairfax Rotary Club hosts the black tie optional gala with dancing from The Loudoun Jazz Ensemble, a dinner buffet, silent and live auctions, a free drink and free parking. \$75. www.dunnloring-merrifieldrotary.org.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/NOV. 8-10

Nature Visions Conference. 9:45 a.m.-4:30 p.m., at Hylton Center, George Mason University, 10960 George Mason Circle, Manassas. Juried, nature-themed photos. www.leagueofrestonartists.org.

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Trinity youth advisors Jim Shattuck, Yvonne Knowles and Youth Director David Hoppel.

Trinity Presbyterian Holds Annual Fall Festival

BY RYAN DUNN
 THE CONNECTION

Herndon's Trinity Presbyterian Church held their annual children's fall festival from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 27. This free event included several activities including a cup-

cake walk, art and craft event, and trunk or treating. Trinity's youth group sponsored the event.

Leading the event was Director of the Youth Ministry David Hoppel. "This is an annual fall festival held here every year. This year we had some activities outside," said Hoppel. "This is a community out-

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Fall Festival at Trinity Presbyterian

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reach event, so we invited others including Herndon Elementary to come attend. It is one of the larger youth outreach events we have for the community."

Hoppel joined Trinity as its director of youth in May 2011. Assisting Hoppel was a team of youth advisors who help him with activities and some volunteers. "This year's fall festival was bigger than last year and we had some good participation," said Jim Shattuck, one of the youth advisors. Trinity Presbyterian has partnership with Herndon Elementary, which allows Trinity to provide tutors to help students with math, science, reading and other subjects. Located on Dranseville Road, Herndon Elementary School is directly across the street from Trinity Presbyterian Church.

Helping with the cupcake walk were volunteers Jackson Dancy and Jake Killian.

"This is a family fun event geared towards the community," said Associate Pastor Rebecca Messman. Messman has been working with Trinity Presbyterian Church since 2006, and also brought her children to the fall festival event. With the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays on the



Jim and Janice Killian handed out candy at the Trunk or Treat event during the church's fall festival.



Stacie Blythe and her husband Brad Blythe dressed as Mary Poppins and Bert the chimney sweep.

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way, Trinity Presbyterian Church has been preparing with the LINK Holiday Program, and welcomes volunteers to sign up and volunteer a few hours to sort donated food. The designated hours for food sorting at Trinity Presbyterian Church for the LINK program are:

Monday, Nov. 11, 9 a.m.-noon and 7-9 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 14, 9 a.m.-noon and 7-9 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 15, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 16, distribution, 7 a.m.-5 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 12, 9 a.m.-noon,

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Friday, Dec. 13, 9 a.m.-noon, noon-3 p.m., 3-6 p.m., 6-8 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 14, 7 a.m.-5 p.m.

To learn more about Trinity Presbyterian Church, visit their webpage at <http://www.trinityherndon.org>.

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The South Lakes defense takes down W-L quarterback Sam Appel on Sept. 12. Defensive lineman Ethan Clark (44) has 15 sacks this season.



Oakton football coach Jason Rowley praised Bobby Lam's play this season.

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South Lakes Football Runs Into Tough Opponents

After a 4-2 start, the South Lakes football team dropped down to the .500 mark after facing a pair of tough opponents.

The Seahawks lost to Langley 56-33 on Oct. 18 and Stone Bridge 41-13 on Oct. 25. Langley is now 6-2 and one of the top teams in the 6A North region. Stone Bridge is 6-2 and played in three of the last four AAA Division 5 state championship games.

"Coming off the Langley and Stone Bridge games, we know that we were exposed in some areas," South Lakes head coach Marvin Wooten wrote in an email. "Good news is we will have the opportunity to correct those mistakes."

The Seahawks (4-4) will close the regular season with a road game against Marshall on Friday, Nov. 1, and a home contest against Fairfax on Nov. 8. Among South Lakes' four victories is a win against 6-2 Washington-Lee. "We're treating these last two games as playoff games," Wooten wrote. "We know how important it is to win out, so we're working very hard to prepare our kids for success. We played well at times but we need to be more consistent."

Khayri Denny has scored 17 touchdowns and has been the Seahawks' offensive leader. Defensive lineman Ethan Clark has 15 sacks.

South Lakes Field Hockey Advances to Regionals

The South Lakes field hockey team lost



South Lakes junior Aly McCarty is pictured against Marshall on Sept. 30.

five out of six games prior to the 6A North region tournament, but that didn't stop head coach Jessica Salo from conveying confidence in the Seahawks.

After an 8-3-1 start, South Lakes dropped its final four regular-season games. Needing a win to keep its season alive, the Seahawks defeated Washington-Lee in the opening round of the Conference 6 tournament, securing a berth in the 6A North tourney. South Lakes would lose to No. 2-seed McLean in the semifinals of the conference tourney. "Our team is at the top of their game," Salo wrote in an email. "Our best game this season was our semifinals match against No. 2 McLean. We lost in overtime, but we fought hard and it was anyone's game." Despite the rough end to the regular season, Salo said the Seahawks improved from facing stiff competition, including McLean and Fairfax.

"Some of our most difficult games were at the end of our season, which prepared us well for tough playoff games," Salo

wrote. "We knew we were ready to play a difficult [conference tournament] game against Washington-Lee and we proved it!"

Salo mentioned several Seahawks have performed well of late.

"Our goalkeeper, Allie Micka, has made some impossible saves throughout the season and has kept us in the game at key moments during playoffs," Salo wrote. "Our defense, led by Hannah Becker, was extremely solid. Additionally, our midfield, led by Olivia Wolfe and Megan Greatorex, were able to move the ball effectively through the midfield to our forwards, particularly Aly McCarty who is a leading goal scorer this season." South Lakes competed in the opening round of the 6A North tournament on Tuesday, after The Connection's deadline.

Oakton Looks to Snap 3-Game Skid

Last year's Oakton football team over-

came a four-game losing streak to win the Northern Region championship. This year's team will have to overcome a three-game skid to reach the playoffs.

The Cougars lost to Robinson 41-21 on Oct. 25. It was Oakton's third consecutive loss that dropped its record to 4-4.

Last year, Oakton started 6-0 before losing its final four regular-season games.

The Cougars bounced back to win the Northern Region title and reach states.

This year, after dropping their opener to T.C. Williams, the Cougars responded with four consecutive victories, but lost the next three.

"Obviously, we are all disappointed," Oakton head coach Jason Rowley wrote in an email. "We have had some obstacles that we have had to overcome as a group, but we are certainly all disappointed; however, we feel like if we can fix a few things,

get a little more consistent, we can find success. We are determined, as a group, to become more consistent."

Oakton closes the regular season with a home game against Westfield on Friday, Nov. 1 and a road game against Herndon on Nov. 8.

Rowley wrote that the Cougars want to "[w]in those last two and get into the playoffs."

While Oakton has struggled, linebacker/running back Bobby Lam has played well of late, Rowley wrote.

The head coach also mentioned quarterback Michael Ficarra, defensive lineman Miles Lindsey and offensive lineman Connor Fagan as having played well.

"Bobby Lam has done an outstanding job for us this season," Rowley wrote. "Leads our team in tackles. ... I know he had 18 tackles against Robinson."

He is a two-way player and doesn't come off the field. He would start for anyone in the region."

LETTERS

A Candidate With No Baggage

To the Editor:
Tom Rust has enthusiastically endorsed the entire Republican slate. He has done so because he is a Republican. It doesn't surprise me that he endorsed Cuccinelli, but I find it very difficult to accept that, in his heart, he could endorse the candidate for lieutenant gov-

ernor, Rev. Jackson. Jackson's comments about gays and those who aren't strong Christians and other comments he has made, are of the kind that Rust would not, normally, accept. As for the attorney general candidate, Obenshain, I can only say that he is so far out of the mainstream. Wanting women who have had miscarriages to report to police within 24 hours, so as to find out whether they have had an abortion or not, is just beyond the pale. And I cannot believe that Rust agrees with

that. Rust has been in politics so long that he is folding into whatever might keep him office, rather than standing up for what he believes in. "It's politics" was his answer when I asked him why he endorsed a local candidate he really did not believe was the best candidate.

We need new blood with no baggage. Therefore I believe Jennifer Boysko will be the better delegate. Change is of the essence.

Ruth Tatlock
Herndon

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

THURSDAY/OCT. 31

Trunk or Treat. 6:30-8:30 p.m., at Floris United Methodist Church, 13600 Frying Pan Road, Herndon. A safe and free evening of Halloween fun with parking lot chock full of delightfully decorated car trunks with lots of candy, inflatables for children to bounce, a preschool harvest activity area, family photo booth (bring your

own camera/smart phone), hot dogs, snacks, drinks and contests for best decorated trunk and costumes by age group. www.florisumc.org/trunkortreat.

MONDAY/NOV. 4

Planting Native Shrubs & Trees. 10 a.m., at Colts Neck Natural Area, 1517 Reston Parkway, Reston. Volunteers will replant lots of natives, including shrubs and trees provided by Fairfax ReLeaf. More details on where to meet after registration. RSVP: habrock@reston.org or 703-435-7986.

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Following the scheduled fall collection, leaves must be placed in 30-gallon kraft recyclable bags and will be picked up on regular trash/yard waste collection days.

Collection dates:

Oct. 28-Nov. 1—South of Bike Trail

Nov. 4-8—North of Bike Trail

Nov. 11-15—South of Bike Trail

Nov. 18-22—North of Bike Trail

Nov. 25-27—South of Bike Trail

A map that shows areas north and south of the bike trail is available on the Town Services page of the website, www.herndon-va.gov.

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 weekly classes starting Sept. 12, Thursdays 7-8:30 p.m., for the general public which use Buddhist teachings to practice meditation. \$12. 202-986-2257 or www.meditation-dc.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.stannes-reston.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 a.m.

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 opportunity to learn about the Baha'i faith. 703-556-3400.

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

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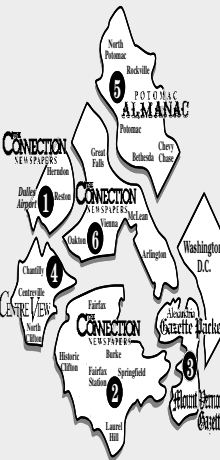
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By KENNETH B. LOURIE

If it wasn't a coincidence, it was the next thing to being one. What it was, was the hiccups; occurring after chemotherapy infusion number one and again after chemotherapy number two. The first episode lasted only a few days and annoyed my wife, Dina, way more than it annoyed me. The first hiccupping episode was fairly constant; however it was not exhausting – and I wasn't having any trouble sleeping because of them. Nor was I making any disturbing sounds or having any difficulty breathing – when caught in mid-hiccup, and/or eating because of the herky-jerky movements/spasms of my diaphragm. In general, it was a fairly benign effect. In the big picture, it didn't seem particularly important that it was the hiccups I was having, so I never called my oncologist. It was the hiccups after all. It might as well have been a skinned knee. Jeez. And sure enough, within a couple of days, I was "hiccupped out."

Now when they started again after the next infusion, I gave that coincidence more consideration (two representing a pattern). Perhaps there was a relationship between the infusion (the drug Alimta) and the hiccups. Nonetheless, I stood stubbornly firm yet again in my decision to not call my oncologist, anticipating that the hiccups would subside after a few days as they had done previously, and so I waited. Unfortunately, that was not the case.

This second episode did not stop. In fact, it intensified until blockhead-Kenny gave in to a new reality: multiple days and nights of non-stop burping/hiccupping, no sleep and very little eating made me a shell of my former self. Not only was I burping/hiccupping constantly, my throat/diaphragm was becoming so sore and so swollen from the constant spasming that it began to impact my voice, which became raspy and weak – and my throat, which seemed to narrow, made swallowing food and liquids a scary challenge. Moreover, the burping sounds that were coming from my throat were ones rarely heard from man or beast, and when out in public were disturbing to others in spite of my best efforts to muffle them. After nearly a week of progressing difficulties, I was a beaten man. No rest for the weary, I suppose. No sleep. No food. No nothing. This induced me, shall I say, to finally e-mail my oncologist with a list of my particulars and await medical instructions.

I picked up the prescription the next morning after having e-mailed my doctor the night before. Oddly enough, a side effect of the pills – to help settle my diaphragm/stop the hiccupping/burping, was sleepiness, hardly an effect I was happy about. I was already half asleep – from not sleeping, and unable to sleep because of the burping/hiccupping, so I didn't want to feel any sleepier. But what could I do? I had to make some progress. I was completely out of patience. For the first 24-36 hours, the medication barely took off the edge, but eventually it took off more than the edge, it stopped the burping/hiccupping altogether so I was once again able to sleep – when I meant to, at bedtime. I had survived the ordeal – yes, ordeal, and lived to fight another day.

Who would have thought? The hiccups, for crying out loud. It was unpleasant. I was unpleasant. However, in the cancer picture, the hiccups were not particularly unpleasant (meaning significant). They were, I suppose, just another hiccup on the road to find out (Cat Stevens reference) and learning to live with a terminal disease.

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