

# Burke CONNECTION

**Say hello to Law Professor Simba Moorad, J.D.**

# Movement Determined to 'Save the Park'

NEWS, PAGE 3

# Pet Smart

PET CONNECTION, PAGE 12

124

**THE JUDICIAL POWER**  
**UNITED STATES V. WINDSOR**  
United States Supreme Court 2012  
113 S Ct 2673

Justice KENNEDY delivered the opinion



There is no dispute that concrete parties, a dispute resolution taxes when she was exempt but from what DOMA

The decision of the Examiners while continuing to deny that the applicant has any deficiencies in his current position was a clear violation of the District Court's ruling in *Trinetti*.

... Court would not have de-pend on the  
the refund suit for her son  
concrete, persisting, and un-  
government's allegedly re-  
andor's legal contenti-  
effect - meant

the claimant would find to be an **BLAG** point. The disagreement is over the parties, or aspiring parties in the Court of Appeal.

[The argument] is that the Government's concession that 'he refund the case should the Court of Appeal

**Anthony Kennedy**

... was  
to the Supreme  
in 1985 after the Reagan  
nominations of  
and Douglas failed.  
Born in 1936, he is the  
second oldest member of  
Court. Prior to his appoint-  
ment to the Court, Just-  
Kennedy had been  
on the Ninth  
1977.

the swing vote on the Court, sometimes siding with the liberals, such as in the case of *Lawrence* in Texas, in which he wrote the Court's opinion finding state sodomy laws unconstitutional, but siding

point. The  
of the party  
appeal in the  
as parties  
Court.

...constitutional, the refusal the

# Community Reviews Plans for Silas Burke Property

NEWS, PAGE 3

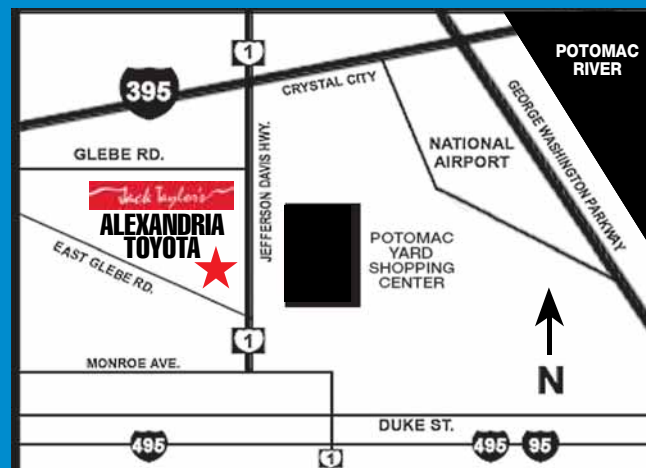
# Inside

# PET CONNECTION



# Jack Taylor's ALEXANDRIA TOYOTA

3750 Jefferson Davis Hwy.  
Alexandria, VA 22305  
**703-684-0710**  
www.alexandriatoyota.com



## NEW! Extended Service Department Hours:

**Monday – Friday, 7 am to 9 pm**  
**Saturday, 7:30 am to 4:30 pm**  
**Sunday, 10 am to 4 pm**  
**Sunday by appointment only.**

Make your next service appointment at:  
**alexandriatoyota.com**

**You Have Saturdays Off**  
*That's Exactly Why We Don't!*



## TOYOTA LIFETIME GUARANTEE

Mufflers • Exhaust Pipes • Shocks • Struts  
Toyota mufflers, exhaust pipes, shocks, struts and strut cartridges are guaranteed to the original purchaser for the life of the vehicle when installed by an authorized Toyota dealer. See us for full details.



## TOYOTA GENUINE SERVICE WINTER DETAIL SPECIAL **\$119<sup>95</sup>**

Prepare your car's paint for the harsh winter road conditions. A full exterior buffing, paint sealant and wax, along with a vacuuming of the interior. Vans & SUVs add \$20.00.

NOT VALID WITH ANY OTHER OFFER OR COUPON. TOYOTA VEHICLES ONLY. OFFER EXPIRES 2/28/15. COUPON MUST BE PRESENTED AT TIME OF WRITE-UP. VALID ONLY AT ALEXANDRIA TOYOTA.

## GENUINE TOYOTA **15% OFF** WIPER INSERTS & WIPER BLADES

SOME MODELS HIGHER. NOT VALID WITH ANY OTHER OFFER. TOYOTA VEHICLES ONLY. GOOD THRU 2/28/15. COUPON MUST BE PRESENTED AT TIME OF PURCHASE. VALID ONLY AT ALEXANDRIA TOYOTA PARTS CENTER ONLY.

## TOYOTA GENUINE SERVICE WINTERIZATION SPECIAL **\$59<sup>95</sup>**

**Includes:** Drain and fill radiator with genuine Toyota anti-freeze inspect belts hoses and water pump.

Lifetime anti-freeze \$10 more

SOME MODELS HIGHER. NOT VALID WITH ANY OTHER OFFER. TOYOTA VEHICLES ONLY. GOOD THRU 2/28/15. COUPON MUST BE PRESENTED AT TIME OF PURCHASE. VALID ONLY AT ALEXANDRIA TOYOTA PARTS CENTER ONLY.

## TOYOTA GENUINE SERVICE OIL & FILTER SERVICE SPECIAL **\$5<sup>00</sup> OFF**

**Includes:** Change oil, install Genuine Toyota oil filter, inspect & adjust all fluid levels and complimentary multi-point inspection with print out.

NOT VALID WITH ANY OTHER OFFER OR COUPON. TOYOTA VEHICLES ONLY. OFFER EXPIRES 2/28/15. COUPON MUST BE PRESENTED AT TIME OF WRITE-UP. VALID ONLY AT ALEXANDRIA TOYOTA.

## TOYOTA GENUINE SERVICE WE WILL **MEET OR BEAT** ANY LOCAL TOYOTA DEALERSHIP'S CURRENT ADVERTISED SERVICE SPECIALS

NOT VALID WITH ANY OTHER OFFER OR COUPON. TOYOTA VEHICLES ONLY. OFFER EXPIRES 2/28/15. COUPON MUST BE PRESENTED AT TIME OF WRITE-UP. VALID ONLY AT ALEXANDRIA TOYOTA.

## TOYOTA GENUINE SERVICE NITROFILL SPECIAL **\$39<sup>95</sup>**

We will purge the tires of air and refill them with nitrogen.

NOT VALID WITH ANY OTHER OFFER OR COUPON. TOYOTA VEHICLES ONLY. OFFER EXPIRES 2/28/15. COUPON MUST BE PRESENTED AT TIME OF WRITE-UP. VALID ONLY AT ALEXANDRIA TOYOTA. TAX AND SHOP SUPPLIES ADDITIONAL.

**Great  
Savings  
Great  
Security  
Great  
Service**

**Sales Hours: Mon – Fri: 9am – 9pm | Sat: 9am – 6pm | Sun: 12pm – 5pm**

**703-684-0700**



**New 2015 Prius Liftback  
\$1,250 Cash Back**



## ToyotaCare No Cost Service & Roadside

Peace of mind with every new vehicle.  
Receive a no-cost maintenance plan\*  
and roadside assistance\*\* with the purchase  
or lease of every new Toyota. For two years or 25,000 miles,  
whichever comes first, you and your new Toyota will be covered.



**Finance a New 2015  
Corolla LE Auto at 0.9%  
APR for 60 months.**

\*Covers normal factory scheduled service for 2 years or 25K miles, whichever comes first. See Toyota dealer for details and exclusions. Valid only in the Continental U.S. and Alaska.  
\*\*Roadside Assistance does not include parts and fluids. Valid only in the Continental United States and Alaska. 1-800-444-4195.

Add Dealer Processing Fee of \$599. \$1,250 Cash Back from Toyota Motor Sales USA, Inc. available on new 2015 Prius. Customers can receive cash back from Toyota or can apply to down payment. Excludes plug-in models. See dealer for details. ToyotaCare covers normal factory scheduled service. Plan is 2 years or 25k miles, whichever comes first. The new vehicle cannot be part of a rental or commercial fleet, or a livery/taxi vehicle. See participating Toyota dealer for plan details. Valid only in the continental U.S. and Alaska. Roadside assistance does not include parts and fluids. Prius plug-in hybrid comes with an extra year of roadside assistance, for a total of three (3) years from date of purchase. Lease, APR and Cash Back offers may not be combined. See dealer for details. Offers expire 3/2/2015.

Add Dealer Processing Fee of \$599. 0.9% APR financing up to 60 months available to qualified buyers thru Toyota Financial Services. Total financed cannot exceed MSRP plus options, tax and license fees. 60 monthly payments of \$17.05 for each \$1,000 borrowed. Not all buyers will qualify. ToyotaCare covers normal factory scheduled service. Plan is 2 years or 25k miles, whichever comes first. The new vehicle cannot be part of a rental or commercial fleet, or a livery/taxi vehicle. See participating Toyota dealer for plan details. Valid only in the continental U.S. and Alaska. Roadside assistance does not include parts and fluids. Prius plug-in hybrid comes with an extra year of roadside assistance, for a total of three (3) years from date of purchase. Lease, APR and Cash Back offers may not be combined. See dealer for details. Offers expire 3/2/2015.



**ALEXANDRIA TOYOTA/SCION**  
3750 JEFFERSON DAVIS HWY. | ALEXANDRIA, VA 22305  
**703-684-0700 | ALEXANDRIATOYOTA.COM**  
**JUST MINUTES FROM REAGAN NATIONAL AIRPORT!**



**Let's  
Go  
Places**



# Community Foresight

Park Authority passes on commercial proposal for Burke Lake Golf Park.

BY TIM PETERSON  
THE CONNECTION

**B**urke resident Meg Hanrahan likes Topgolf in Alexandria. “To go out on a date with my husband,” she said, “but it’s not some place I want to go when I want to mentally prepare to go out on a course and play 18 holes.”

A bar-lounge atmosphere of is also not one in which she would consider leaving her three daughters, once a little older, to hit buckets of balls themselves.

Hanrahan is president of the Burke Lake Women’s Golf Club, which uses the course, range and clubhouse at Burke Lake Park.

Recently, members of the community held a public meeting to discuss the unsolicited proposal the Fairfax County Park Authority received from KC Management to upgrade Burke Lake to a facility with an increased structural footprint and parking, reminiscent of the golf center in Kingstowne.

Supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield) attended the public meeting and then scheduled an additional meeting with Park Authority staff to follow-up.

“It was clear this isn’t going to happen without significant impact to the community and without raising the prices for golf,

to use the driving range,” said Herrity. “Those are both unacceptable to me and to the Park Authority. I didn’t have to do any arm-twisting.”

In his newsletter released on Feb. 23, Herrity lead with the headline “Top Golf Bottom Option for Burke Lake” and announced that he and the Park Authority would not be going forward with the proposal from KC Management.

Fairfax County Park Authority director Kirk Kincannon was not available for comment, but Judith Pedersen, a spokesperson for the parks, said in a statement, “We were concerned about the scale of the project which seemed too large for the site.”

**THE FACILITIES**, which date back nearly 60 years, are overdue for upgrades and are slated to receive them per Park Bonds passed in 2008 and 2012. KC Management submitted its proposal under the Virginia Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act, to build and run facilities on public land.

These also are changed, slightly, to remove Topgolf, beginning as the paragraph following “THE FACILITIES”

But members of the community bristled at the idea of the larger complex being proposed. Homeowners created a “Save Burke



PHOTO BY TIM PETERSON/THE CONNECTION

**The driving range at Burke Lake Park is uncovered, but in season offers “dew-chasers” the opportunity to tee off early in the morning.**

Lake” Facebook group as well as a Change.org petition to raise support of opposing the proposal. Bob Vitti, one of the senior golf instructors at Burke Lake, sent the petition to his 1200-odd roster.

“I think it did something in terms of the significant count on the petition,” said Vitti. “A lot of folks had the same perspective I do.”

#Referring to the Kingstowne center, he continued, “I don’t have anything against it, it’s a nice facility for its own goals, mission, environment. This is just not the environment for this type of service.”

Among the major concerns of Vitti and Hanrahan were that the proposed new facility wouldn’t open early enough to accommodate the strong culture of dawn-rising “dew-chasers,” that more alcohol available on the property would require more adult supervision of minors than currently exists at the park, and an increased structural footprint would take away from the natural

beauty of playing in the park itself.

“You look at it and think goodness isn’t this gorgeous,” said Hanrahan. “We’re so blessed to have such an amazing park we can play golf at, even if your game is stinking it up.”

**HERRITY** said the Park Authority will go back to planning for the park’s upgrades and expects concept plans to be ready to share with the public sometime this summer. He also sees the whole situation with the unsolicited proposal as an opportunity to grow organized support for the park.

“We don’t have a Friends of Burke Lake Park currently,” he said, referencing other non-profit organizations such as Friends of Lake Accotink Park that help maintain and protect county natural resources. “What I’d like to see happen is take this energy created around this proposal and create a friends group.”

## Movement Determined to ‘Save the Park’

Since the beginning of February, the Movement has generated a petition with more than 8,900 signatures and counting to save the Park.

BY MARISSA BEALE  
THE CONNECTION

**“W**hen the anonymous letter showed up in our neighborhood mailboxes many of us began to wonder and worry. A few of us started talking and soon a meeting was scheduled with Pat Herrity and the Park Authority,” said Leigh Claypool, committee chair of the Save Burke Lake Park Movement. “We were assured by the PA that they do not like KC Management’s proposal either. However, they have spent more than two years in negotiations with them.”

From runners on the local high school



BY MARISSA BEALE/THE CONNECTION

**Terri Siggins, co-coordinator of the Save Burke Lake Park Movement.**

cross country teams, to small business owners, professional golfers and mothers, community members are concerned about a proposal from KC Management, LLC that could potentially change the atmosphere of a more than 60-year-old park in Fairfax County.

Burke Lake Park has been described as one of those few places in the County where you can go and escape the hustle and bustle of Fairfax County and the Northern Virginia area.



PHOTO COURTESY OF LEIGH CLAYPOOL

**Supervisor Pat Herrity speaks at the meeting. There is a petition to stop plans for construction at Burke Lake Park.**

“They are turning it into a late-night bar atmosphere instead of a family-friendly driving range,” said Fairfax County resident and co-coordinator of the Save the Burke Lake Park Movement, Terri Siggins. The Movement began when members of the community found out news about the proposal through an unknown source. Since the beginning of February, the Movement has generated a petition with more than 8,900 signatures and counting to save the Park.

Back in 2008 and 2012 the public voted

on proposals to restore the clubhouse and driving range at the Park. According to the Fairfax County Government website, the 2008 Park Bond includes funding to replace the existing Golf Course Clubhouse at Burke Lake Park Golf Course. The 2012 Park Bond includes funding to upgrade and expand the existing driving range at Burke Lake Park Golf Course. However, both of these plans are different from those listed in the proposal by KC Management, according to the Save Burke Lake Park movement. “We believe the atmosphere is not appropriate for a public park,” said Siggins. “[The proposal] would create a bar atmosphere targeted more toward entertainment rather than golf.

“Under KC’s design, the entire current driving range will be redesigned. Artificial turf, lighting and additional parking spaces would also be included in the design. There is concern that this would get rid of established oaks and the current green area in the Park,” she said.

The public can get involved by signing the petition, writing to Supervisor Pat Herrity, or by contacting the FCPA. Concerned individuals can also Like and Follow the “Save Burke Lake Park” Facebook page to get news and updates on next steps.



# Community Reviews Plans for Silas Burke Property

**M**embers of the Burke and West Springfield communities were invited to review the plans of Sunrise Development, LLC to build an assisted living facility on the property of the Silas Burke House. The meeting was held Tuesday, Feb. 24 at the West Springfield Government Center.

Sunrise Development has applied for the property to be rezoned to accommodate the more densely populated living space they intend to build.

Though some have expressed concern for the well-being of the nearly 200-year-old former residence of Silas Burke himself if a new building were to go up nearby, Sunrise's proposal includes a guarantee that the house, "accessory structures" like the iconic windmill and immediate surrounding property, will be protected and maintained.

"The neat thing there is we're able to preserve the Silas Burke house in perpetuity," said Supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield), "without a big investment from the county, in a very tight fiscal time."

— TIM PETERSON



PHOTO COURTESY OF SUNRISE SENIOR LIVING

The rendering from Sunrise shows the existing Silas Burke house on the left, with a concept for the Sunrise community behind the house on the right.

## Bulova to Create Transparency Review Commission

**Group would include citizens, legal community and other organizations.**

BY TIM PETERSON  
THE CONNECTION

**W**hen Alexandria resident Natasha McKenna was removed from life support and died on Feb. 8, the Fairfax County Sheriff's Office posted a release on the county website. It was an update to an earlier post on Feb. 5 that explained McKenna was an inmate at the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center who experienced a "medical emergency" on Feb. 3.

McKenna was scheduled to be moved to the Alexandria Adult Detention Center that day. When she fought against deputies transporting her, they used tasers to restrain her. At that point, the Fairfax County Police Department was notified and an investigation of McKenna's "in-custody inmate death" began.

February 19, the Police Department released another update, an 800-word description of the events leading up to McKenna's arrest and death.

She had called Fairfax County police herself on Jan. 25 to report being assaulted. Officers accompanied her to a hospital and through a record check discovered an outstanding arrest warrant for assaulting an Alexandria police officer back on Jan. 15.

Though the officers involved have yet to be named, the content and amount of information released in under two weeks since McKenna's death is comparable to that which it took the county over a year to release following the officer killing of Springfield resident John Geer.

According to Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Sharon Bulova, that was indicative of the board's commitment to "making a stronger effort than before to make sure that we're putting out as much info as possible."

Amid Sen. Charles Grassley (R-Iowa), the ranking member of the Judiciary Committee, writing letters to the county as to why Geer's investigation has taken so long and how it's been handled, as well as public pressure from organizations such as the Justice for John Geer Facebook group and Citizens Coalition for Police Accountability, Bulova previously announced the board

would seek outside expertise to examine its policies for releasing information on police action.

**AT THE FEB. 17 MEETING** of the board, supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield) introduced a draft policy for transparency that had been making its way to the Fairfax City Council.

"You don't have to look far to find a good policy on transparency," said Herrity. "If this had been enforced, we wouldn't have had a lot of the problems with the Geer case."

That Fairfax proposal mandated a release of basic facts, any conflicting information and confirmed identities of individuals involved with the incident — all within 72 hours of the incident itself.

"There were some good recommendations," Bulova said, "but I'm not sure that is the only thing that we want to consider. We're prepared to take a look at a number of models and best practices, to include the one the city of Fairfax is considering."

February 20, Bulova took another step and announced the creation of a new commission, made up of citizens, members of the legal community and other organizations such as the NAACP, to review police policies.

"This gives the community an opportunity to take part in our review," said Bulova.

In her release, the Chairman named Michael Hershman, founder of the Fairfax Group and a citizen appointee to the Board of Supervisors Audit Committee, chair of this commission. She plans to bring it before the Board in its March 3 meeting for endorsement. At that time, Bulova has said she will also announce the rest of the commission's membership.

Though the commission is a step, Herrity remains critical of the Board's lack of open discussion on the Geer case and others involving excessive and or lethal force by police officers.

"The most disturbing thing to me is we haven't had a Public Safety Committee meeting in well over a year," he said. "I don't know why not, there's not a good answer. And too much of the board's discussion has been in closed session. We need to get out into open session and have a dialog on our policies and practices and get them fixed."

**BULOVA'S COMMISSION** will have the opportunity to review both the county's search for "independent expertise" on releasing information on officer-involved incidents and the Police Department's policies and training regarding use of force.



## VOLUNTEERS EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Fairfax County's free **Family Caregiver Telephone Support Group** will discuss using the Internet to help with caregiving on Tuesday, March 10, 7-8 p.m. Register at [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/olderadultservices/caregiver.htm](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/olderadultservices/caregiver.htm). Call 703-324-5484, TTY 711.

The **Wakefield Senior Center** in Annandale needs volunteer **Bilingual English/Spanish** activity leaders, a **Canasta Player** to lead a group and certified instructors for classes in **Pilates, Chair Exercise** and **Ballroom Dance**. For these and other volunteer opportunities, call 703-324-5406, TTY 711 or visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults) and click on Volunteer Solutions.

The **Kingstowne Center for Active Adults** in Alexandria needs instructors for **Mosaic Art** and **Jewelry Making**. For these and other volunteer opportunities, call 703-324-5406, TTY 711 or visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults) and click on Volunteer Solutions.

**Korean Meals on Wheels** needs **Korean-speaking volunteers** to deliver meals in **Centreville, Annandale** and **Falls Church**. For these and

other volunteer opportunities, call 703-324-5406, TTY 711 or visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults) and click on Volunteer Solutions.

The **Annandale Adult Day Health Care Center** in Annandale needs **Spanish-speaking** social companions and a **lunch assistant**. For these and other volunteer opportunities, call 703-324-5406, TTY 711 or visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults) and click on Volunteer Solutions.

Fairfax County needs volunteers to **drive older adults** to medical appointments and wellness programs. For these and other volunteer opportunities, call 703-324-5406, TTY 711 or visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults) and click on Volunteer Solutions.

**Respite Care** volunteers give family caregivers of a frail older adult a well-deserved break so they can go shopping, attend a doctor's appointment or just have coffee with a friend. Volunteers visit and oversee the safety of the older adult for a few hours each month. Contact Emmy Thompson at 703-324-7404, TTY 711, or [Maura.Thompson@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:Maura.Thompson@fairfaxcounty.gov).

## #1 Weichert Agent in Burke & Fairfax Station



Call Kathleen today and ask for a copy of her "Satisfied Client List"



**Fairfax Sta/South Run \$849,950**  
**Open Sunday 3/1 • 1-4**

Immac Colonial w/ dramatic 2 story foyer, screened porch + deck, library w/ built-ins, eat-in kit w/ granite cnts, double ovens, butlers pantry + walk-in pantry, fin walkout bsmt, huge master suite w/ 2 walk-in closets, 3.5 baths, gas frplc, fresh paint, sprinkler sys, central vac & more.

**Kathleen Quintarelli**  
**703-862-8808**

See Interior Photos at:  
[www.kathleenhomes.com](http://www.kathleenhomes.com) • [kathquintarelli@erols.com](mailto:kathquintarelli@erols.com)



**Manassas/Ashland \$524,950**  
**Open Sunday 3/1 • 1-4**

Model-perfect home on premium cul-de-sac lot backing to trees w/ Trex deck & fenced yard, dramatic 2-story family rm w/ stone frplc, 4 large BR & 4.5BA, sunny fin walkout bsmt, hrdwd flrs, eat-in kit w/ Corian counters, library, MBR w/ walk-in closet w/ custom organizers, dual zone HVAC & more.



**Alex/Landmark \$299,950**  
**Shows Like a Model**

Beautiful 2 lvl condo w/ open floor plan w/ 2BR, 2BA, frplc, balcony, kit w/ breakfast bar & SS appliances, new windows, city views, 9 ft ceilings, MBR w/ walk-in closet, MBA w/ new tile, double sinks & sep tub & shower, comm pool, easy access to I-395, walk to shops, restaurants & Metro.



**Alex/Landmark \$349,950**  
**Open Sunday 3/1 • 1-4**

Dramatic top floor loft unit w/ city views, 3 levels, 2 BR+ den, 2BA w/ new tile, 1,480 sq ft, skylts, huge master suite w/ vaulted clngs & walk-in closet, updated kit w/ glass backsplash & quartz breakfast bar, new carpet, fresh paint, frplc, balcony, new HVAC, comm pool, walk to shops & Metro.



**Fairfax Sta/South Run \$839,950**  
**Sold in 3 Days**

Beautiful Colonial on private 1/2+ acres on cul-de-sac w/ 5BR upstrs, gorgeous remodeled baths, fin walkout bsmt, large deck, eat-in kit w/ granite cnts tile splash & SS & blk appliances, lovely hrdwd flrs, fresh paint, new carpet, custom built-ins, library, rear staircase, walk to pool & park & more.

**#1 Weichert Realtor**  
**Burke/Fairfax Station**  
Licensed Realtor 25 Years  
NVAR Lifetime Top Producer




## Commonwealth Orthopaedics has merged with OrthoVirginia.

This merger means that Commonwealth Orthopaedics will now be known as OrthoVirginia. While our name may be new, our doctors, our staff, our locations and our commitment to our patients haven't changed at all. Call us or visit our website to learn more.

A new name.  
The same commitment.  
Getting *you* back to your life.

  
**OrthoVirginia**  
Commonwealth Orthopaedics

 Official Orthopaedic and Physical Therapy Partner of the Washington Redskins

703.277.BONE (2663) | [orthovirginia.com](http://orthovirginia.com)



# Fairfax County REAL ESTATE

## 2015 Assessments by Area

Hunter Mill Supervisor **Cathy Hudgins (D)** saw no change in her home assessment. This year, her home was worth \$638,100, same as last year.



Dranesville Supervisor **John Foust (D)** saw a 0.75% increase in his property value when compared to 2014. The county valued Foust's house at \$2,917,660 last year and \$2,939,290 this year.



Mason Supervisor **Penelope Gross (D)** saw her home value go up 4.91% from \$440,970 in 2014 to \$462,630 in 2015.



Lee Supervisor **Jeff McKay (D)** saw his assessment go up 9.07% from \$710,220 in 2014 to \$774,620 in 2015.



Braddock Supervisor **John Cook (R)** saw a 4.68% increase in the value of his home over the last year. Cook's home was assessed at \$634,760 in 2014 and \$664,480 in 2015.

Mount Vernon Supervisor **Gerry Hyland** has no property listed.



Fairfax County Chairman **Sharon Bulova (D)** saw her home value go up 7.36% from \$601,550 in 2014 to \$645,380 in 2015.

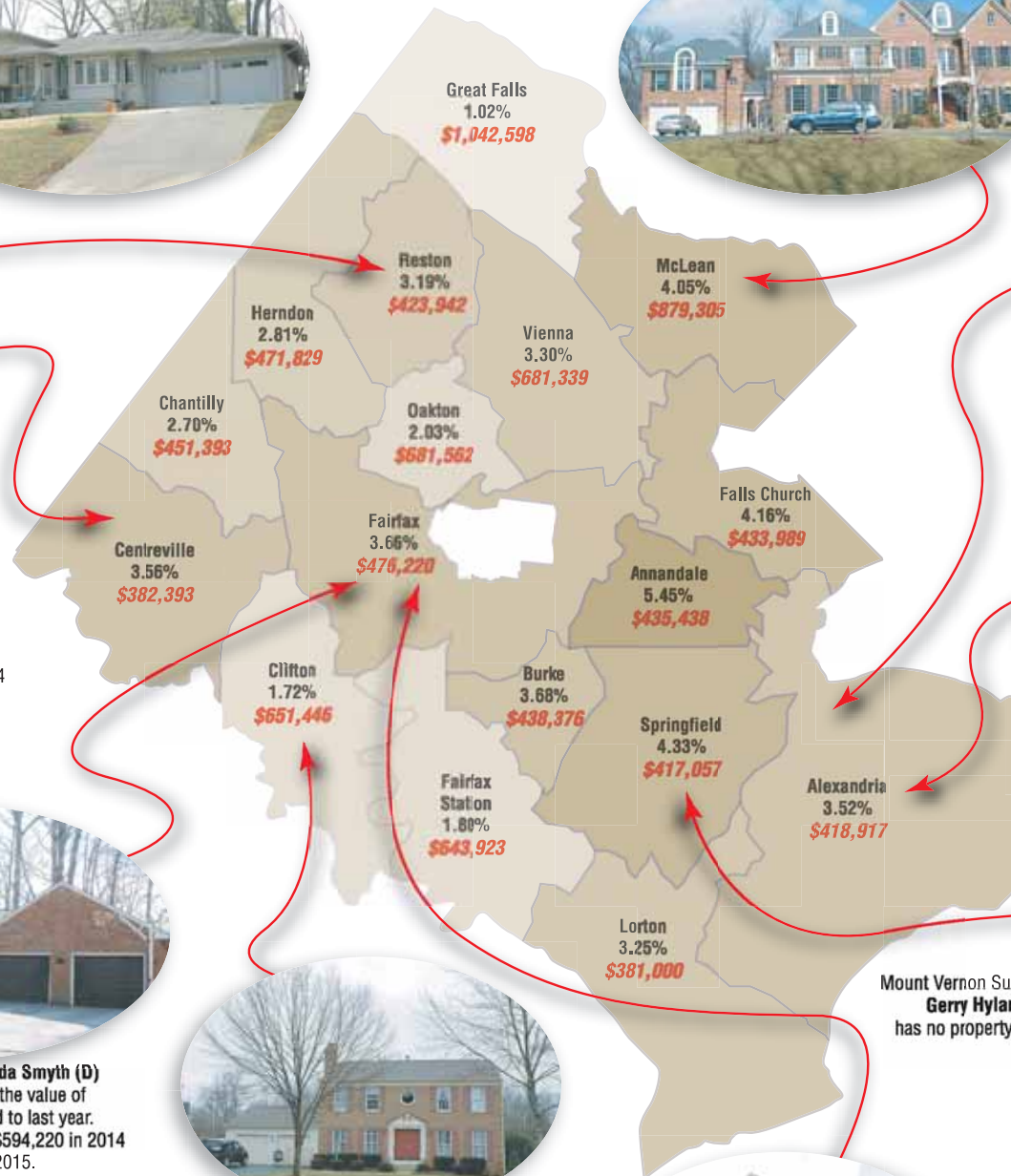
Springfield Supervisor **Patrick Herry (R)** saw a 4.57% gain in his property value when compared to 2014. Last year, his home was worth \$573,460 and this year it is valued at \$599,660.



Providence Supervisor **Linda Smyth (D)** saw a 2.87% increase in the value of her house when compared to last year. Smyth's home was valued at \$594,220 in 2014 and \$611,280 in 2015.



Sully Supervisor **Michael Frey (R)** saw a 8.57% increase in the value of his home over the last year. Frey's home was assessed at \$252,830 in 2014 and \$274,500 in 2015.



**2015 County Average (Percent Change)**  
 Single Family Detached **\$620,080 (3.27%)**  
 Townhouse **\$385,338 (3.81%)**  
 Condos **\$259,752 (4.48%)**

ZIP CODE AREA	2014 MEAN	2015 MEAN	PERCENT CHANGE
Alexandria/Mount Vernon	404,687	418,917	3.52
Annandale	412,942	435,438	5.45
Burke	422,815	438,376	3.68
Centreville	369,253	382,393	3.56
Chantilly	439,525	451,393	2.70
Clifton	640,436	651,446	1.72
Fairfax	459,412	476,220	3.66
Fairfax Station	632,518	643,923	1.80
Falls Church	416,666	433,989	4.16
Great Falls	1,032,117	1,042,598	1.02
Herndon	458,919	471,829	2.81
Lorton	369,023	381,000	3.25
McLean	845,113	879,305	4.05
Oakton	668,009	681,562	2.03
Reston	410,846	423,942	3.19
Springfield	399,742	417,057	4.33
Vienna	659,582	681,339	3.30

for single family, townhouses and condominiums

The average assessed value of a single family home in Fairfax County for 2015 is \$620,080, up 3.27%

SOURCE: FAIRFAX COUNTY



## NEWS

### Local Swimmers Shine at States

Swimmers from 36 high schools from around Virginia competed in the Virginia High School League 6A state championship held in Richmond on Feb. 20. Divers from each team competed the day before. Athletes first raced in a morning prelims session to qualify for a finals competition that evening. At the end of the night, the top five overall points-winners for girls were Langley, Oakton, Robinson, West Potomac and Chantilly. On the boys side, first through fifth place went to Oakton, Robinson, Langley, Frank W Cox High School (Virginia Beach) and Patriot High School (Nokesville).

For more final results of the meet, visit [www.swimtechusa.com/Vhsl](http://www.swimtechusa.com/Vhsl).

—TIM PETERSON

PHOTO BY  
TIM PETERSON  
THE CONNECTION



Robinson junior James Jones (center) checks the time board after winning the boys 50-yard freestyle in a time of 20.19 seconds. The Robinson boys team finished second overall behind Oakton at the Virginia High School League 6A championship meet in Richmond.

# WILD WEST IRISH TOURS

## EXPECT GREAT THINGS IN SIMPLE PLACES

Authentic Ireland • Intimate and Unique



## BOOK ONLINE NOW OR CALL

# 571-236-9650

**FREE!** Irish Music & Dance Show

**Sunday, March 1, 2-5 p.m.**

**Auld Shebeen Pub in Fairfax City**

**Featuring Mai Hernon & Celtic Font and The Ganley Sisters direct from Ireland**

## WILDWESTIRISHTOURS.COM



Inova Proudly Presents our Upcoming Ask The Expert Community Lecture!

Osteoarthritis and the Latest Advances in Joint Replacement

#### Are you living with chronic joint pain?

Learn about state-of-the-art treatments for your condition from one of the area's leading orthopedic surgeons who practice at Inova hospitals.

Dr. Goyal will discuss causes, risk factors, symptoms and some of the latest treatment options for osteoarthritis and joint pain.

This FREE lecture is designed to provide our community members with important information about the latest medical advances in specific orthopedic specialties and help you find solutions to health issues that may increase your quality of life.



Nitin Goyal, MD

Thursday, March 12 • 6:30 p.m.

Laurel Hill Golf Club  
8701 Laurel Crest Drive  
Lorton, VA



Register today for this FREE lecture! To better serve you, we ask that you register online at [Inova.org/AskTheExpert](http://Inova.org/AskTheExpert) or by calling 1.855.My.Inova (1.855.694.6682)



# Managing Mental Illness in Jails

**Natasha McKenna's death provides window on national concern.**

**A** national report released on Feb. 11 highlighted the prevalence of people with mental illness incarcerated in local jails.

"Serious mental illness, which includes bipolar disorder, schizophrenia, and major depression, affects an estimated 14.5 percent of men and 31 percent of women in jails — rates that are four to six times higher than in the general population. ... While most people with serious mental illness in jails, both men and women, enter jail charged with minor, nonviolent crimes, they end up staying in jail for longer periods of time." See vera.org.

Natasha McKenna, a woman with a long history of severe mental illness, died on Feb. 8, five days after being repeatedly shocked with a taser, restrained, hooded and forcibly removed from her cell by six deputy sheriffs "pursuant to its protocols for managing combative inmates."

McKenna, a small woman according to press

reports, had been held in the Fairfax County Detention Center since Jan. 26, on a warrant from the City of Alexandria. Fairfax deputies were forcibly extracting her from her cell so she could be transported to the Alexandria jail.

Here is part of the police release on the incident:

"During the struggle to restrain McKenna, a member of the Sheriff's Emergency Response Team deployed a conducted energy weapon (Taser) on McKenna. While being restrained, deputies placed a spit net (which is designed to restrict and prevent spitting) on McKenna.

## EDITORIAL

A nurse from the ADC medical staff was present at that time to check on her prior to transport and cleared her for transport. Deputies attempted to put her in a medical transport chair, but McKenna continued to be combative and was moved to a restraint chair for transport."

To understand a little of what was happening, search for images of "spit net" and "prisoner restraint chair."

When the emergency response team was getting ready to load McKenna into a vehicle, "medical personnel from the Fairfax County Sheriff's Office checked McKenna and determined she was experiencing a medical emergency."

McKenna never regained consciousness.

The incident was recorded on video, but "the video is currently retained as evidence by detectives from the Fairfax County Police Department and will not be released at this time."

Less than two weeks after McKenna's death, the public knows a lot more about the details of this incident than previous cases involving the Fairfax County Police, but questions of what happened, how and why, greatly outnumber answers.

It is standard operating procedure in the United States to warehouse disruptive people with mental illness in jails. A 2006 Special Report by the Bureau of Justice Statistics estimated that 705,600 mentally ill adults were incarcerated in state prisons, 78,800 in Federal prisons and 479,900 in local jails, according to the National Institute for Corrections.

We have to ask what constitutes humane, effective treatment for people with mental illness, and often substance use disorders, who end up in jails. Are the brutal images of Natasha McKenna's handling a common experience for people with severe mental illness in jails? While deaths resulting from such incidents are rare, they do occur. What can be done to provide treatment?

— MARY KIMM

MKIMM@CONNECTIONNEWSPAPERS.COM

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Breastfeeding is About Life

To the Editor:

As a fairly new Virginia resident, I like reading your summaries of county and state government actions that impact us all, including the General Assembly's crossover bills featured in your February 19-25 issue. I'd like to share one more. HB1499 protects mothers who breastfeed their babies in public; Del. Dave Albo is one of the co-patrons. With its passage in both chambers and a promised signature from Governor Terry McAuliffe, the Commonwealth will become the #48 state in the U.S. to support breastfeeding mothers and their right to feed their babies wherever necessary — be it a restaurant, rec center or retail store or any other public or private space where nursing moms find themselves needing to feed their children.

The grassroots coalition, VA Alliance for Breastfeeding Laws with its leaders Rebecca Geller (a local attorney and mother) and Kate Noon, should be commended for this family-focused effort. Concerned moms and dads from all over the state contacted their legislators, visited Richmond, and testified in support of the bill during its various committee hearings.

When babies are hungry, they need to eat. As nursing mothers,

we shouldn't be scared into using a designated lounge, public bathroom, or, worse yet, be told to leave the premises. Nursing is about sustaining human life. It's about growing a little human being into an adult. It's about life.

Studies by medical experts prove breastfeeding is best for babies. There are numerous health and emotional benefits to the baby and the mother. (The World Health Organization spells these out: [http://www.who.int/nutrition/topics/exclusive\\_breastfeeding/en/](http://www.who.int/nutrition/topics/exclusive_breastfeeding/en/)) There are economic advantages as well, as families and the Commonwealth (when helping our families through WIC and other supports) do not have to spend money on formula. About 80.5-percent of new Virginia moms breastfeed their babies at birth (CDC, statistics by state, 2014 report). By 6 months, it's only 53.7-percent who exclusively breastfeed or do a combination of breastmilk and formula to nourish their babies. By 1 year, it's 27.4-percent. Yet, breastfeeding is recommended by the American Academy of Pediatricians at least until a baby turns 1-year old.

I am a mother as well as a volunteer who helps moms with breastfeeding. I can share that

women experience many "boobytraps" in their breastfeeding journey that cause this statistical plunge. There are medical issues and societal issues. Not being able to breastfeed in public — or feel comfortable doing so — is one of those traps. When babies are infants, they are often eating every 2-3 hours. Not being protected to nurse in public, some women "shelter in place" in their homes. Yet, moms still need to

work, shop, take care of our families and carry on with daily life. Being restricted on where we can "legally" nurse in public makes breastfeeding success and life in general a little more difficult. And we don't need to make life more difficult for mothers; we need to support them for success! I'm so glad we'll finally have a law on the books to do just that.

**Anna Custer-Singh**  
Lorton

### Oversight Needed in Police Shooting Cases

To the Editor:

Kudos and thanks for your recent editorials voicing the concern of many Fairfax County citizens in connection with the investigation of police shootings.

James Madison said of government that we must "oblige it to control itself" through checks and balances, including vigilant oversight of administration.

It is difficult to conceive where Board of Supervisors oversight is more needed than over a group — even a group as honorable and courageous as our police officers — entrusted to exercise coercive powers, up to and including life

and death.

The Board of Supervisors should fulfill that oversight function, starting with investigative hearings into the reasons for the secrecy shrouding the shootings identified in your editorial.

State Sen. Barbara Favola and our new Del. Kathleen Murphy may also wish to consider whether to propose statutory changes to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.

**Bruce Ellis Fein**  
Great Falls

SEE LETTERS, PAGE 9

#### NEWS DEPARTMENT: [burke@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:burke@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Kemal Kurspahic**

Editor ♦ 703-778-9414

[kemal@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:kemal@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Amna Rehmatulla**

Editorial Assistant

703-778-9410 ext.427

[arehmatulla@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:arehmatulla@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Tim Peterson**

Community Reporter

703-314-0789

[tpeterson@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:tpeterson@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Jon Roetman**

Sports Editor ♦ 703-752-4013

[jroetman@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:jroetman@connectionnewspapers.com)

@jonroetman

#### ADVERTISING:

For advertising information

**e-mail:**

[sales@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:sales@connectionnewspapers.com)

703-778-9431

**Steve Hogan**

Display Advertising, 703-778-9418

[shogan@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:shogan@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Andrea Smith**

Classified Advertising, 703-778-9411

[classified@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:classified@connectionnewspapers.com)

**Debbie Funk**

National Sales

703-778-9444

[debfunk@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:debfunk@connectionnewspapers.com)

**David Griffin**

Marketing Assistant

703-778-9431

[dgriffin@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:dgriffin@connectionnewspapers.com)

#### Editor & Publisher

Mary Kimm

[mkimm@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:mkimm@connectionnewspapers.com)

@MaryKimm

#### Executive Vice President

Jerry Vernon

[jvernon@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:jvernon@connectionnewspapers.com)

#### Editor in Chief

Steven Mauren

#### Managing Editor

Kemal Kurspahic

#### Photography:

Deb Cobb, Craig Sterbutzel

#### Art/Design:

Laurence Foong, John Heinly

#### Production Manager:

Geovani Flores

#### Special Assistant to the Publisher

Jeanne Theismann

[jtheismann@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:jtheismann@connectionnewspapers.com)

@TheismannMedia

#### CIRCULATION: 703-778-9426

#### Circulation Manager:

Ann Oliver

[circulation@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:circulation@connectionnewspapers.com)





## LETTERS

### Monkey Business Is Deadly Business

To the Editor:

Maybe I missed hearing about it the last time a monkey attacked its owner.

But I sure remember each time an estranged husband or boyfriend blows away his wife or girlfriend and her innocent children. I feel the pain and disgust in my gut.

Apparently Virginia lawmakers don't have that same reaction because they voted to kill legislation that would ban convicted domestic abusers, stalkers or those convicted of sexual battery from having guns. But they did pass a bill to make it illegal to own a pet monkey because monkeys can sometimes be violent.

Virginia's illustrious forefathers—Washington, Madison and Jefferson—would hang their heads in shame at the shenanigans that went on in the Virginia legislature this session over gun laws. Our not-so esteemed lawmakers killed any efforts to make our communities safer from gun violence. They even killed a bill that would make it illegal for a 4-year old to have a gun!

Talk about monkey business. The Senate bill to take away guns from stalkers, sexual batterers and domestic abusers was approved by voice vote in committee but later reported out as dead.

After media inquiries, the committee voted again to pass the bill but it was sent to another committee to die.

Other gun safety measures died in committee when the chairman held an emergency hearing which limited public testimony.

Transparency in government anyone? Supporters were scrambling to follow the bills but the NRA lobbyist always seemed to show up in the right place at the right time.

In the House, lawmakers killed the domestic gun violence bill even after two women who were victims of domestic gun violence begged them not too.

Next time a domestic abuser in Virginia shoots his wife or girlfriend or a child we can thank the mostly white, male Republican rural lawmakers who sit on the Virginia committees that kill gun safety bills.

**Linda Falkerson**  
Reston

Looking for a New  
Place of Worship?  
Visit Antioch Baptist Church!



**All Are Welcome!**

Sunday Worship 8:00, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.  
Sunday School for Children & Adults 9:30 a.m.  
Married Couples Sunday School 11:30 a.m.

Rev. Dr. Marshal L. Ausberry, Sr., Senior Pastor

**Antioch Baptist Church**  
6531 Little Ox Road  
Fairfax Station, VA 22039  
703-425-0710 • [www.antioch-church.org](http://www.antioch-church.org)

**Tree Clearance Sale**  
**30% OFF**  
All Trees 2013 & Prior

**Selected indoor plants 1/2 price**

**Blooming Tropicals 75% Off**

**Concrete Fountains, Benches, Statuary and Birdbaths 25% off**

**Cactus, Succulents 25% off**

**Fragrant, blooming Citrus Plants 10% Off**

**Free Estimates**  
Patios, Walkways, Retaining Walls, Paver Driveways, Landscaping! **OFF-SEASON PRICING**

**60 50-75% Off Pottery**  
Lowest Prices Since 2008!

**Playground Chips & Organic Compost \$29.99 cu. yd.**  
**Bagged, Shredded Hardwood Mulch \$3.49 (3 cu. ft. bags)**  
**Bulk Mulch \$19.99 cu. yd. FREE Fill**

**Cravens Nursery & Pottery**  
9023 Arlington Blvd., Fairfax, Virginia  
2 miles west of I-495 on Rt. 50.  
1 mile from I-66 (Vienna Metro)  
**703-573-5025**  
Open 7 days a week  
Visit our new Web site: [www.cravensnursery.com](http://www.cravensnursery.com)

For a free digital subscription to one or all of the 15 Connection Newspapers, go to [www.connectionnewspapers.com/subscribe](http://www.connectionnewspapers.com/subscribe)

Be the first to know – get your paper before it hits the press.

Complete digital replica of the print edition, including photos and ads, delivered weekly to your e-mail box.



Questions? E-mail: [goinggreen@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:goinggreen@connectionnewspapers.com)

**THE CONNECTION**  
NEWSPAPERS



**Instant Download!**  
Or call for your **FREE** copy.

**INJURED?**

**Before you talk to the adjuster**

**Before you hire an attorney**

**Before you sign any forms**

Download this **FREE** consumer guide today

**TheAccidentBook.com**

or call 703.991.4880 for a **FREE** copy

Thousands have relied on the information in this book.  
See what others say: [JustReadTheReviews.com](http://JustReadTheReviews.com)



"I wrote this book to level the playing field between you and the insurance companies." Ben Glass

**BENGLASSLAW™**  
FREE Books Before You Sign ANY Form

**DR. GENE SWEETNAM**  
**DR. GRACE CHANG**  
**O P T O M E T R I S T S**



**TWO CONVENIENT LOCATIONS**

- Family & Pediatric Vision Care
- Comprehensive Eye Exams • Treatment of Eye Diseases
- 21 years Naval Service, 6 years Active Duty
- Laser Vision Consultants • Over a thousand frames in stock
- We carry all major brands of contact lenses • In-house lab

**Most Insurances Accepted:**

Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Care First, Medicare, Tricare In-network  
Doctor, Vision One Discount, Avesis, Aetna HMO/PPO/POS, PHCS,  
VSP® Network Doctor, EyeMed Vision Care, United Healthcare, VA Medicaid  
**WE WELCOME YOUR DOCTOR'S PRESCRIPTION**

5204A Rolling Rd.  
Burke Professional Center  
Burke, VA 22015  
**703-425-2000**

8951 Ox Rd., Suite 100  
Shoppes at Lorton Valley  
Lorton, VA 22079  
**703-493-9910**

[www.drsweetnam.com](http://www.drsweetnam.com) • [www.sightforvision.com](http://www.sightforvision.com)



# PET CONNECTION

## Bark and Call

Mobile pet grooming comes to you.

By ABIGAIL CONSTANTINO  
THE CONNECTION

**M**arzi Sharifi started HoPPooH in Fairfax, a mobile pet grooming service, in 2013. With her two vans and groomer, Sara, HoPPooH—which means little dog or dog in Persian—will come to the pet owner's door to groom and style man's best friend...or his cat.

HoPPooH's area of coverage is between 10 to 12 miles of its base. Sharifi said that her business provides convenience for her and for her clients. "I can choose my clients, make my own hours."

She has learned a lot since she first started, such as accepting clients that are not more than 75 pounds. She once had a German shepherd in the van that started "growling and barking" at her. "It was very dangerous for me," she said. But her confidence has grown. "I'm really good at grooming dogs, especially poodles."



PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

**Marzi Sharifi of HoPPooH in Fairfax with her dogs and her mobile pet grooming vans. Sharifi recently acquired a second van for her growing business.**

Sharifi, a Persian-American, has a background in videography. It was this background that got her started in pet grooming. As a volunteer at the Animal Welfare League of Arlington, Sharifi created a video about one of its dogs, Gaston, an American pit bull terrier mix, for Best in Shelter's first virtual dog show. The video won first prize and \$50,000 for AWLA.

"I have always loved animals," she said. To learn more about HoPPooH, go to <http://www.hoppoooh.com/>.

## When Sam Met Frodo

"Sam and Frodo are both rescue cats. Frodo, the big orange guy with the furry feet, came from Home Alone Feline Rescue in 2011. He is part Maine Coon and part American bobtail. Lou and I had been thinking about getting a second cat as a companion for Frodo when I ran into Lee District School Board member Tammy Koufax at a community event in Springfield in August 2013. Tammy and her kids were fostering a litter of feral kittens that had been found behind a restaurant in Washington D.C. When Lou and I saw Tammy's photo of the smallest kitten, a tiny tiger tabby, we fell in love. Eventually, so did Frodo, once she got over Sam trying to steal his toys and occasionally snatching his treats away. We love watching the two cats chase each other around. Animals add so much to your life!"

— SHARON BULOVA,  
CHAIRMAN OF THE FAIRFAX  
COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

**Sharon Bulova with her cats Frodo and Sam.**

## Fairfax County Animal Shelter Gets Creative to Save Lives

**S**ince 2013, Fairfax County has been the largest jurisdiction in the United States with a placement rate of animals above 90 percent. Last year alone, nearly 2,500 animals were adopted, which is nearly double the adoptions just two years earlier.

With more than 4,500 animals coming through its doors in 2014, the shelter implements creative ways to find homes for the many homeless cats, dogs, guinea pigs, rabbits and other small animals. Here are just a few of the new ways the shelter can save more lives:

\*"Fosters" help animals in a variety of ways, both long term and short term. There are 150 foster families who provide temporary housing to pets needing a break from the shelter. In addition to caring for puppies and kittens as well as animals recovering from surgery or illness, foster families can take an animal into their home for shorter time periods. Fosters take dogs on one-hour field trips or can take a dog home for the weekend, to give it a much-needed break from the stress of the shelter environment.

Older cats sometimes wait many months to find a permanent home, so foster families take them home for 30 days of TLC while waiting.

\*The shelter has a robust social media presence. More than 20,000 people follow the shelter on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. And more than half the shelter's adopters say they first saw their pet or the shelter itself on social media. In the past, a pet with a special medical need would have waited months for an adopter. Now that same pet usually finds a home within days of its pictures and story being shared on social media.

\*Some 300 volunteers give daily love, enrichment and exercise to homeless pets. Dogs play in groups, go on off-site walks and get kennel breaks four or five times every day. Treat dispensing toys, stuffed and frozen Kong toys and other enrichment items keep shelter dogs busy throughout the day. Cats and small animals get to enjoy play time in one of the shelter's cat rooms every day and are constantly cared for by dedicated volunteers. All of this helps shelter pets be



PHOTO COURTESY OF FAIRFAX COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER

**Caitlin Rose and Cathy Connolly, daughter and wife of Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11) respectively, handle a cat at the Fairfax County Animal Shelter.**

happy, healthy and ready to meet their new families.

Because the shelter has been so successful at placing animals, there are sometimes empty spaces on the adoption floor. Whenever there is space, they take in animals from under-resourced and overburdened shelters in D.C. and rural Virginia. In 2014, nearly 500 dogs and cats were transferred into the shelter, where they were adopted to loving homes.

In addition to adoptions, the shelter offers a variety of other activities, including classes for adults

and kids, dog obedience training, Scout badge programs, birthday parties, a book club and a pet loss support group. To learn more about shelter programs or to view adoptable animals, visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/animalshelter](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/animalshelter).

Want to know how to help your local shelter? In addition to volunteering, fostering and donating, all shelters in the area have Facebook pages. By following your local shelter, you can help spread the word about all the great pets waiting to meet their forever families.

**Barkin' Good Treats**

**SANDWICHES**

Dogs will bark & wag their appreciation when they taste our all-natural 100% whole wheat, hand-shaped dog treats!

Come check out our made-to-order sandwiches and paninis – simply amaaaaazing!

**CATERING**  
From 1-20,000

Call for details  
Advance Orders Appreciated

**GREAT HARVEST BREAD CO**  
6030-G BURKE COMMONS RD, BURKE  
9000 S. LORTON STATION BLVD  
703-249-0044 B 703-372-2339 L  
GREATHARVESTBURKE.COM  
FACEBOOK.COM/BURKEGREATHARVEST.COM

## You Can Make a Difference

Cats benefit from being in a foster home. We need long- and short-term fosters for cats of all ages, mothers with litters and kittens on their own. Email [cats@lostdogrescue.org](mailto:cats@lostdogrescue.org).

**Consider Fostering**  
visit the website, click on Participate  
Adopt/Donate/Volunteer at  
[www.lostdogrescue.org](http://www.lostdogrescue.org)

**Full Service Mobile Pet Grooming**  
Outside Your Home or Work.

We groom to "Pet Breed" standards, clients preferences, or We can customize a style.

**BOOK ONLINE TODAY**  
[www.HoPPooH.com](http://www.HoPPooH.com)  
(703)982-0208

**Your Pet will have:**

- Luxury Bath & Brush,
- Warm Air Fluff Drying,
- Ear Cleaned,
- Nails Trimmed,
- Full Coat Clip,Cut,Shape & Style (To Owners Specific Requirements or to Breed Standards)
- Cologne,Bows or Bandana

We Fit in Your Schedule  
All Products are Bio-Degradable ,Eco Friendly & Natural

## WALKING THE DOGS, LLC

**DAILY DOG WALKS**  
**VACATION PET CARE-ALL SMALL ANIMALS**

- Local Moms, Professional Pet Sitters
- We Make Owning Pets Easier
- Bonded • Licensed • Insured

**www.walkingdogsva.com**  
Call Felicia at (703)473-9768 or [Felicia@walkingdogsva.com](mailto:Felicia@walkingdogsva.com)  
[www.facebook.com/walkingthedogs](http://www.facebook.com/walkingthedogs)

**BURKE ANIMAL CLINIC**

Compassion is our practice.  
Wellness is our goal.

Complete Medical and Surgical Services  
Sick and Wellness Exams  
Dental Cleanings and Extractions  
Ultrasound & Digital X-ray  
Stem Cell Therapy  
Acupuncture and Cold Laser Therapy  
Veterinary Orthopedic Manipulation

(703) 569-9600 | 6307 Lee Chapel Road, Burke, VA 22015 | [burkeanimal.com](http://burkeanimal.com)



# Find Your Children Safe & Sound

# KIDDIE COUNTRY

## DEVELOPMENTAL LEARNING CENTER

REGISTER  
NOW!

### DEVELOPMENTALLY APPROPRIATE SCHOOL YEAR AND SUMMER CAMP PROGRAMS

Designed to provide a complete, happy, safe learning environment in harmony with the needs of the child.

#### CHILDREN AGES 2-5

Full (6:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.) and half day (9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.) programs

#### SPECIAL FEATURES

Developmental Curriculum • Degreed Teachers • Registered Nurse • Music Director • Nutritious Breakfast, Lunch and Snacks • Heated Swimming Pools • Spacious Shaded Playgrounds • Planned Orientations and Presentations for Parents • State Licensed

### BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

#### AGES SIX-ELEVEN YEARS

#### GRADES 1-6

Transportation provided to Terra Centre, Fairview, White Oaks, and Cherry Run Elementary Schools. Emphasis on special events, sports, time for homework, and student's choice of activities.

### KINDERGARTEN

Registrations are now being accepted for the 2014-2015 School Year. Two Virginia certified teachers per classroom. Program emphasizes language arts, math, computer literacy, science, social studies, social development, art, music and physical development.

### FULL DAY SUMMER CAMP PROGRAM AGES SIX TO ELEVEN YEARS

Program is organized into weekly themes packed with FANTASTIC FIELD TRIPS, A SENSATIONAL OVERNIGHT CAMP OUT, DAILY SWIMMING, SPORTS, DANCING, MUSIC, AND AN END OF THE SUMMER "SMASH" MUSICAL PRODUCTION BY OUR CAMPERS FOR THEIR FAMILIES.

### KIDDIE COUNTRY I

Burke Centre  
Fairfax Station (Fairfax)  
6000 Schoolhouse Woods Rd.  
Burke, Virginia 22015  
703-250-6550

### Come See Our Award-Winning Facilities!

(Both Schools Winners  
of American Institute  
of Architects Awards)

[www.kiddiecountry.com](http://www.kiddiecountry.com)

### KIDDIE COUNTRY II

Burke-Springfield  
Fairfax Station (Lorton)  
9601 Old Keene Mill Rd.  
Burke, Virginia 22015  
703-644-0066

## PET CONNECTION

# Best Friends Forever

Simba Moorad  
of Burke.



PHOTO COURTESY OF  
SARA MOORAD



What's up y'all!  
The snow is  
very bright.

PHOTOS COURTESY OF KISHWAR RAFIQUE



The best way  
to nap is  
with your  
best friend.



Simba and Safa  
Moorad are best  
friends forever.

PHOTO COURTESY OF  
FEHMIDA MOORAD

# COMMUNITIES OF WORSHIP



5690 Oak Leather Drive  
Burke, VA 22015  
703-764-0456  
[www.BurkePresChurch.org](http://www.BurkePresChurch.org)

Sunday Worship:  
8:30 & 11:00 am  
9:45 am Sunday School

Saturday Worship:  
5:30 pm CoffeeHouse  
casual, guest musicians

First Monday of the month: Labyrinth Prayer Walk  
Great offerings for children, youth and adults throughout the week.  
Wonderful opportunities in music and mission.



9800 Old Keene Mill Rd.  
703-455-7041

Sunday School  
9:15 AM  
Worship Service  
10:30 AM

[www.calvaryfamily.com](http://www.calvaryfamily.com)  
"Continuing the ministry of  
Christ on earth"

## Looking for a New Place of Worship? Visit Antioch Baptist Church! All Are Welcome!

Sunday Worship 8, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.  
Sunday School for Children & Adults 9:30 a.m.  
Married Couples Sunday School 11:30 a.m.

703-425-0710 • [www.antioch-church.org](http://www.antioch-church.org)  
6531 Little Ox Road, Fairfax Station, VA 22039



## Jubilee Christian Center

"Experience the Difference"

Worship Gathering - Sunday 8:45 & 11 AM  
Sunday School 10:10 AM  
Sunday Evening - Realtime Worship  
& Youth 6 PM  
Family Night - Wednesday 7:15 PM  
Home Life Groups & College/Young Adult Ministries  
Visit our Website: [www.jccag.org](http://www.jccag.org)  
4650 Shirley Gate Road, Fairfax  
Bill Frasnelli, PASTOR 703-383-1170



To Advertise Your Community  
of Worship, Call 703-778-9418



# PET CONNECTION

## Fern and Otter Come to 'Work'

"My dogs, Fern and Otter, both adopted from the Fairfax County Animal Shelter love to come to work with me at the shelter. They enjoy greeting visitors and just hanging out. When they're not 'working,' they love playing with each other and taking me on long hikes. Proof that shelter dogs come in all shapes and sizes, with and without spots."

- KRISTEN AUERBACH,

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATION AND OUTREACH AT  
FAIRFAX COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER



## BURKE PROFESSIONAL PLAZA

The Corner of Rt. 123 (Ox Rd.)  
& Burke Centre Pkwy.

**Gary Kramer, D.D.S.**  
**Sara Bunin, D.D.S.**

DIPLOMATES OF THE AMERICAN BOARD OF PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY  
Dentistry for Children, Adolescents & Special Needs  
703-978-0051 [KBPediatricSmiles.com](http://KBPediatricSmiles.com)



SUITE F • 5631 BURKE CENTRE PARKWAY • BURKE, VA. • 22015

**Met Life, Delta, BCBS/Carefirst  
and United Concordia Provider**

Weekdays • Saturdays • Evenings  
24 Hour Emergency Care



5631-B Burke Centre Parkway  
Burke, VA 22015

4600 John Marr Dr., Suite #401  
Annandale, VA 22003

8998-E Lorton Station Blvd.  
Lorton, VA 22079



- Free Initial Exam
- 40+ Years Experience
- Two Board Certified Orthodontists
- In Network Providers for MetLife, Delta Dental & United Concordia



**703-750-9393**

[www.dutson-ellisortho.com](http://www.dutson-ellisortho.com)

To advertise, please call  
Steve Hogan at 703-778-9418

## Bathroom Remodel Special \$6,850

**Celebrating 15 Years in Business!**

### TWO POOR TEACHERS

Kitchen and Bathroom Remodeling



**Free Estimates**  
**703-999-2928**



Visit our website: [www.twopoorteachers.com](http://www.twopoorteachers.com)

Select your products from  
our Mobile  
Showroom  
and Design  
Center

Fully Insured &  
Class A Licensed  
Est. 1999



## Family Matters

It's a good feeling to know that help is there when you need it—the assurance that loved ones are cared for by skilled professionals who feel like family—the warm feeling of a neighborhood environment with good friends, brings with it an indescribable peace of mind.

Assisted Living at Westminster at Lake Ridge offers a full complement of engaging activities encompassing fitness, wellness, social, spiritual and educational programming. We provide quality, professional on-site assisted living, as well as short-term and long-term nursing care. Your family will be assured of superlative, compassionate care *and* an exceptional quality of life at Westminster at Lake Ridge.

**Westminster**  
at Lake Ridge

703-791-1100

12185 Clipper Drive, Lake Ridge, VA

Visit us at [www.wlrva.org](http://www.wlrva.org)





# ENTERTAINMENT

Send notes to the Connection at [south@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:south@connectionnewspapers.com) or call 703-778-9416. The deadline is the Friday prior to the next paper's publication. Dated announcements should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event.

## FRIDAY/FEB. 27

### Garden Talks with Master

#### Gardeners: Winter Beauty in the Garden. 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Historic Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria. Learn about garden trees, shrubs and grasses that add instant beauty and interest throughout the cold winter months. \$10. Register online at [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring) using code 290 102 9001 or call 703-642-5173.

**Fun Flicks.** 10:30 a.m. Pohick Regional Library, 6450 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. Watch movies based on children's books. All ages. Register each child and adult separately. 703-644-7333.

**Bricks 4 Kidz.** 4:30 p.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Learn, build and play with LEGO bricks. Content designed by engineers and architects, with exciting themes such as space, inventions, and amusement parks. Ages 5 to 10. 703-249-1520.

**John Aulabaugh.** 7:30 p.m. Old Firestation #3, 3988 University Drive, Fairfax. Special musical fundraiser for Unified Prevention Coalition of Fairfax County. Aulabaugh's new album, "Of Sins Present and Past," highlights addiction and recovery. \$10, \$20 online, \$12 at the door. [http://johnaulabaugh.com/shows\\_page/oldfirestationno3/](http://johnaulabaugh.com/shows_page/oldfirestationno3/).

**United States Army Band "Pershing's Own" Downrange.** 8 p.m. Old Town Hall, 3999



**The Irish are coming! Wild West Irish Tours is sponsoring a free Irish Music & Dance show at the Auld Shebeen Pub, 3971 Chain Bridge Road in Fairfax City on Sunday, March 1 from 2 to 5 p.m. The show will feature dancers Sandra and Laura Ganley, from County Roscommon, Ireland along with singer, Mai Hernon, who hails from County Sligo, Ireland and her group, Celtic Font. For more information call 571-236-9650 or visit [www.wildwestirishtours.com](http://www.wildwestirishtours.com).**

University Drive, Fairfax. Downrange embraces TUSAB's newest mission as a strategic public relations asset for the U.S. Army, and stands ready to entertain audiences at home and around the world. The men and

women of Downrange are not just "present and accounted for," they are constantly on the move and on the frontline — setting the popular-music entertainment standard for The U.S. Army Band and the United States

Army.

## SATURDAY/FEB. 28

**Collectors Showcase Fundraising Event.** 7:30-10:30 p.m. W-16

McGuireWoods Gallery, Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. Features the best in visual arts from all the Artist at the Workhouse. Ticket information available at [www.workhousearts.org](http://www.workhousearts.org). 703-584-2900.

### Seeds Workshop: Starting from

**Scratch.** 9:30 - 11 a.m. Historic Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria. Judy Zatsick, Green Spring's own propagator/horticulturalist, teaches the ins and outs of starting your own seed collection. \$22. Register online at [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring) using code 290 187 4201 or call 703-642-5173.

**Wag a Tale.** 10:30, 10:45, 11 and 11:15 a.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Need a little practice reading or just love dogs? Register to read to one of our therapy dogs. Ages 5-12. To register visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/kn/>.

### Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

**Meeting.** 10:30 a.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Board members meet biweekly to plan and implement projects and programs that will enhance library services for teens. Ages 13 to 18. 703-249-1520.

**Reading Buddies.** 11:30 a.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Pick a few of your favorite books and share them with your reading buddy. You read to them or they can read to you. Reading buddies are adult and teen volunteers. Ages 4 to 8. 703-249-1520.

**Fractured Fairy Tales: Writing Workshop.** 1:30 p.m. 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Join Young Adult

SEE CALENDAR, PAGE 15



# WE ARE MASON

2014-15 Men's Basketball

## Buy Your Tickets Now!

## Final home game of the season

Wednesday, Mar. 4, 7 p.m. — George Washington

Sponsored by  MainStreetBank



703-993-3270

GoMason.com

## It's Your Time to Celebrate with a \$100 Resort Credit!



**Make any occasion special at Gaylord National Resort.**

Whether a milestone celebration or the day you ran a mile, we will help make any occasion extra special by offering you a \$100 resort credit per night. Our spectacular 19-story glass atrium welcomes you with sweeping views of the Potomac River. Luxurious spa treatments, delicious dining, unique shopping and fun recreation options provide everything you need for a joyous occasion.

**Book your getaway today!**

**[GaylordNational.com](http://GaylordNational.com)** or call (301) 965-4000 (refer to promo code ZJL)

Available select dates through December 30, 2015. Limited number of rooms available for this promotion. Limit one (1) \$100 resort credit per night. See website for complete terms and conditions.



## Assistant Editor

Full-time assistant editor to help with all aspects of producing award-winning weekly newspapers, including daily web and social media updates.

Must be a prolific, efficient, accurate writer/rewriter with good basic knowledge of AP style and clean copy. Self-starter with excellent time management skills who can work independently and collaboratively with strong organizational skills, high productivity, attention to detail. Exciting opportunity to learn from excellent editors.

### Essential Responsibilities:

Generating local content daily for print and online, including calendar & entertainment listings, news briefs, crime reports, business briefs, school and education notes, faith notes, photo galleries, etc.

Monitor never-ending email, prioritize, download, edit, compile, post.

Community engagement, communication with readers and sources. Continuously seeking new sources of local information.

Copy editing, fact checking, familiarity with AP Style.

Design and paginate weekly entertainment, calendar and notes pages for multiple papers.

Update websites daily, post to social media.

Stay on top of local breaking news, work with editor and reporters to update.

Help transition to digital first workflow.

Salary approximately \$30K, health insurance, paid vacation. Office is 2 blocks from King Street Metro station. Free parking.

Send letter, resume, three clips or examples of work to [resumes@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:resumes@connectionnewspapers.com)

**THE CONNECTION**  
NEWSPAPERS



# ENTERTAINMENT

FROM PAGE 14

author Kristin Bailey as she makes mistakes so you don't have to. Learn how to edit your writing and avoid common pitfalls by reading messed up fairy tales. Then as a group, we will make them right. This workshop will focus on the common writing issues of passive voice, blocking, and dialog open to both teen and adult writers. 703-249-1520.

**Polar Bear Reading Club Wrap Up Party.** 2:30 p.m. Pohick Regional Library, 6450 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. Come and celebrate the end of the Polar Bear Reading Club with Jonathan Austin, juggler, magician and unicyclist extraordinaire. Register each child and adult separately. 703-644-7333.

**Dessert on Broadway.** 1:30 and 7 p.m. Lake Braddock High School Cafeteria, 9200 Burke Lake Road, Burke. Entertainment and dessert provided by the Lake Braddock High School Choir. \$20. Send emailed request to lbdessertsonbroadway@gmail.com.

**Indoor Flea Market and Lunch.** 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Green Acres Center, 4401 Sideburn Road, Fairfax. Don't break the bank! Find that special treasure — many booths of odds and ends to browse through! Hosted by the Young at Heart Senior Center. Donations accepted after Jan. 1.

## SUNDAY/MARCH 1

**Irish Music & Dance Show.** 2-5 p.m. Auld Shebeen Pub, 3971 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax. The show will feature dancers Sandra and Laura Ganley, from County Roscommon, Ireland along with singer, Mai Hernon, who hails from County Sligo, Ireland and her group, Celtic Font. 571-236-9650. www.wildwestirishstours.com.

**Capitol Steps.** 7 p.m. Robinson Secondary School, 5035 Sideburn Road, Fairfax. The Capitol Steps are a Musical Political Satire group that performs all over the country. They put the MOCK in Democracy and will feature their latest album "How to Succeed in Congress Without Really Lying." All proceeds support the Robinson Drama Boosters and the 2015 ANGP. \$35, \$30 for 10 or more at robinsondrama.org. Contact scamby@verizon.net for more info.

**Appetite for Art.** 1-3 p.m. Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria. Food has been a

central theme in art for centuries. Experience these two great pleasures together in a sumptuous selection of food-filled masterpieces which express cultural and social values by depicting the rituals, customs and symbolism of food and dining through the ages. Bon appetit! After the program, enjoy a traditional English tea. Reservations required. \$32. 703-941-7987.

**Winter Lecture: Teeming with Nutrients.** 1:30-2:30 p.m. Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria. Jeff Lowenfels explains how plants eat and what to feed them. You will be rewarded with an organic garden that is the envy of the neighborhood. A book signing follows the lecture. \$10 for advance registration, \$12 for out-of-county registrants or at the door. Register on-line at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring using code 290 182 4701 or call 703-642-5173.

## SATURDAY-SUNDAY/MARCH 7-8

**SPRINGPEX '15 Stamp Exhibition.** Saturday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Sunday, 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Robert E. Lee High School Cafeteria, 6540 Franconia Road, Springfield. 45th Annual Philatelic Stamp Show hosted by the Springfield Stamp Club. Features free kids stamp activities, show covers, 26+ dealers, U.S. Postal Service Station and club tables. Free. www.springfieldstampclub.com.

## SATURDAY/MARCH 7

**Workhouse Cabaret Series: Heroines of the Stage and Screen!** Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. 8 p.m. Some of Broadway's most beloved characters and some of the most memorable music are written for the leading ladies.

**Garden Under Glass: Terrarium Workshop.** 9:30-11:30 a.m. Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria. Shake off the winter chill by creating a garden under glass. Miniature plants, lush mosses, stones and whimsical figures will bring a smile and remind you of warmer days. Care instructions included. \$38/person plus \$25 supply fee. Register at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring using code 290 185 8201 for the program and code 290 185 8202 for the supply fee or call 703-642-5173.

**Garden Sprouts: Hot and Cold.** 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria. While it's winter in Virginia, it's summer in the Southern Hemisphere. Learn why seasons differ around the globe. Sample chocolatey treats, both icy and hot. Enjoy a story about chocolate, then scout the gardens for signs of winter and spring. \$6 per child. Register online at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring using code 290 102 8901 or call 703-642-5173.

**Winter Lecture: Hellstrip Gardening.** 1:30-2:30 p.m. Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria. Improve that patch of old turf on the streetside of the sidewalk by growing a hellstrip garden. Evelyn Hadden offers guidance on turning languishing, neighborhood parking strips into thriving, curbside gardens. Hadden addresses street trees, plants, poor soil, laws and covenants, and pedestrian traffic. A book signing follows the lecture. \$10 per person for advance registration, \$12 for out-of-county registrants or at the door. Register at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring using code 290 185 6501 or call 703-642-5173.

## THURSDAY-SUNDAY/MARCH 5-8

**"Doubt: A Parable."** 7:30 p.m. Old Town Village, 3950 University Drive, Fairfax. Tickets are \$17 in advance. Remaining seats, if available, will be \$20 at the door, one hour prior to performance times. Free parking is available. The production runs approximately 90 minutes, and a brief, talk-back session with the actors and directors will follow each performance. Buy tickets at: http://fairfaxcitytheatre.ticketleap.com/doubt-a-parable/.

## SUNDAY/MARCH 8

**Workhouse Cabaret Series: Heroines of the Stage and Screen!** Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. Matinee 1 p.m. Some of Broadway's most beloved characters and some of the most memorable music are written for the leading ladies.

**Film: An Ordinary Hero: The True Story of Joan Mulholland.** 2 p.m. Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia, 8900 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax. You'll hear firsthand from the Freedom Riders that took part in this movement.

also offers a Saturday vigil at 5:30 p.m. and a Thursday Latin mass at 7 p.m. 703-817-1770 or www.st-andrew.org.

**Prince of Peace Lutheran Church,** 8304 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield, offers casual worship services on Saturday evenings at 5:30 p.m. featuring contemporary music. More traditional services take place on Sunday mornings at 8:15 and 11 a.m. Sunday School is from 9:45-10:45 a.m. for children and adults. The church also offers discussion groups for adults. 703-451-5855 or www.poplch.org.

**Kirkwood Presbyterian Church,** 8336 Carrleigh Parkway in Springfield, supports a Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) program on the first and third Wednesday of each month. Meetings are 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the church. All mothers and children are welcome. The program provides mothers an opportunity to get to know other mothers through discussions and craft activities. Register. 703-451-5320.

meditation. Visit http://www.guhyasamaja.org for more information.

**Lord of Life Lutheran** offers services at two locations, in Fairfax at 5114 Twinbrook Road and in Clifton at 13421 Twin Lakes Drive. Services in Fairfax are held on Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. and Sundays at 8:30 and 10 a.m. Services in Clifton are held on Sundays at 8:15 and 10:30 a.m. 703-323-9500 or www.Lordoflifeva.org.

**First Baptist Church of Springfield** offers Sunday school at 9:15 a.m., followed by a 10:30 a.m. worship service at 7300 Gary St., Springfield. 703-451-1500 or www.fbcspRINGfield.org.

**Clifton Presbyterian Church,** 12748 Richards Lane, Clifton, offers Sunday worship services at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Nursery care is provided. Christian education for all ages is at 9:45 a.m. 703-830-3175.

**St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church,** 6720 Union Mill Road, Clifton, conducts Sunday masses at 7:30 a.m., 8:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. It

## 2ND ANNUAL Boys & Girls Club Fairfax Casino Night

**Friday, March 6, 2015**

**The Ritz-Carlton, Tysons Corner**



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS  
OF GREATER WASHINGTON  
FAIRFAX COUNTY REGION

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Washington/Fairfax Region help hundreds of at-risk youth every day right here in Fairfax County.

**Casino Night is a fun-filled evening featuring:**

- Full complement of staffed gaming tables including Texas Hold 'em, Black Jack and Craps, Roulette
- Fabulous dinner buffet \* open bar \* amazing raffles, live and silent auction
- Celebrity Emcee with music and dancing.

**The Ritz-Carlton, Tysons Corner**

1700 Tysons Boulevard, McLean, Virginia 22102 • On the Silver Line

Tickets: [www.bgcgw.org/fairfax/casino-night/](http://www.bgcgw.org/fairfax/casino-night/)



**Friday, March 6, 2015**

**6:30-11:30pm**

Tickets: \$95.00 per person,

\$175.00 per couple

Special Overnight Guest Room Rate

at the Ritz-Carlton for

Friday March 6, 2015 -- \$119.00

**We invite your organization to consider sponsorship opportunities for our 2nd Annual Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Washington, Fairfax Region Casino Night.**

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Washington/Fairfax Region help boys and girls of all backgrounds build confidence, develop character, and acquire skills fundamental to becoming productive, civic-minded, responsible adults. BGCWG provides a safe and positive environment for our youth.

## SPECIAL CONNECTIONS CALENDAR

Advertising Deadlines are the previous Thursday unless noted.

## MARCH

3/11/2015.....HomeLifeStyle Real Estate Pullout

3/18/2015.....A+ Camps & Schools

3/25/2015..Spring Fun, Food, Arts & Entertainment

FCPS Spring Break 3/30-4/3

## APRIL

4/1/2015.....Wellbeing – Senior Living Pullout

Easter Sunday is April 5

4/8/2015.....HomeLifeStyle

4/15/2015.....A+ Camps & Schools

4/22/2015.....Real Estate Pullout – New Homes

4/29/2015.....A+ Camps & Schools Pullout

4/29/2015.....Mother's Day Celebrations, Dining & Gifts I

## MAY

5/6/2015.....McLean Day Pullout

5/6/2015.....Mother's Day Dining & Gifts II

5/6/2015.....Wellbeing

Mother's Day is May 10

E-mail [sales@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:sales@connectionnewspapers.com) for more information.



**THE CONNECTION**

Newspapers & Online

**703-778-9431**

[www.ConnectionNewspapers.com](http://www.ConnectionNewspapers.com)

**Reaching Suburban Washington's Leading Households**

- Alexandria Gazette Packet
- Arlington Connection
- Burke Connection
- Centre View
- Chantilly Connection
- Fairfax Connection
- Fairfax Station/Clifton/Lorton Connection
- Great Falls Connection
- McLean Connection
- Mount Vernon Gazette
- Oak Hill/Herndon Connection
- Potomac Almanac
- Reston Connection
- Springfield Connection
- Vienna/Oakton Connection



# South County Boys' Basketball Wins Conference

**No. 7 (lowest) seed Stallions upset No. 1 Woodson in 3-OT classic.**

BY JON ROETMAN  
THE CONNECTION

Members of the South County boys' basketball team could have quit long ago. They could have thrown in the towel during the regular season, when injuries contributed to a 3-9 conference record and the lowest seed in the Conference 7 tournament.

But they didn't.

After upsetting T.C. Williams and Lake Braddock to reach the conference championship game, the Stallions could have laid down when trailing by eight points in the fourth quarter against top-seeded Woodson.

But they didn't.

And after having a conference championship ripped from their grasp when Woodson star Eric Bowles buried a 3-pointer at the buzzer to force a second overtime period, the Stallions could have lowered their heads and accepted that they were fortunate just to be there.

But they didn't.

Instead, South County played with the same mental toughness that helped the Stallions turn a sub-par season into a championship opportunity.

Despite trailing at some point in all four quarters of regulation and each overtime period, South County captured the first conference championship in program history with a 91-86 triple-OT victory over Woodson on Tuesday night at Lake Braddock Secondary School.

With the score tied and less than 2 minutes remaining in the third overtime period, South County sophomore Garrett Reaves knocked down a clutch 3-pointer, sparking a 10-2 run that secured the Stallions an improbable piece of history.

"It's overwhelming," South County freshman guard Isaiah Borders said. "We came from the seventh seed. ... We worked hard to get here and we finished it out."

South County's hard work nearly went for naught.

The Stallions led 72-69 in the closing seconds of the first overtime period when Woodson's Bowles, who had just missed a potential game-tying 3-point attempt, got another chance at the top of the arc.

This time, the Conference 7 Player of the Year came through, sending the game into double OT with a 3-pointer at the buzzer.

**THE STALLIONS** were struggling emotionally as Woodson grabbed a two-possession lead early in the second overtime period.

South County guard Chu Chu Enechionya answered with a 3-pointer, cutting the Cavalier lead to 76-75 with 2:02 on the clock,



**The South County boys' basketball team won the program's first conference title on Tuesday, beating Woodson in the Conference 7 championship game at Lake Braddock Secondary School.**

when head coach Travis Hess called a timeout.

"Our kids were clearly down, but Chu Chu hit a big 3 and it cut it to one and I called a timeout and said, 'OK, now we have to officially let it go,' because even I was harboring it," Hess said about the fallout from Bowles' game-tying 3-pointer. "... I wear my emotions on my sleeve. I was bummed because we had the game won and every one of our kids knew it. And for us to not fold is really a testament to how tough our kids are and how far we've come from the team that we were in November."

Borders, South County's leading scorer with 29 points, fouled out during the second overtime period, but the Stallions managed to stay alive, tying the score at 79 and forcing a third OT.

"Our whole playoff motto is we never get too high and we never get too low," South County senior guard Brandon Berry said. "We always stay even. We were saying no matter what happened this game, we were always going to stay at that one level — even. Even after Isaiah fouled out, after Eric hit the shot, because we stayed even, we were able to battle through that adversity."

Borders, a 6-foot-4 freshman guard, scored 18 of South County's 28 first-half points, including 12 of its first 14.

"He's a phenomenal talent," Hess said. "He's got things he needs to improve on, but a freshman in a conference championship game to go for [29] points is amazing. He has all the talent in the world and I look forward to developing his talent because I think he could really be a special player in the next couple of years for us."

Berry, a second-team all-conference selection, finished with 12 points and was named

tournament MVP.

"He has come such a long way and, more importantly, he's a great young man," Hess said. "I'm beyond proud of him. He's an amazing kid and had a great season and when you can combine his leadership with the talent of Isaiah and the rebounding of Veronta [Jones] — all of the pieces that we have have finally come together at what is the most important time in the season. For a coach, there's nothing more rewarding and satisfying than that."

Jones finished with 13 points for South County and Reaves added 11.

The Stallions' successful postseason is a far cry from a sub-par, injury-riddled regular season. First it was senior guard Jason Remy suffering an Achilles injury prior to the season.

Then it was 6-foot-6 center Ish Hussein suffering a knee injury early in the campaign. Enechionya missed time with back trouble and senior guard Tanner Gregory sat out during conference play with a high ankle sprain.

South County finished the regular season with a 10-12 record.

"It was an up-and-down ride throughout the season," Berry said. "We had some guys with season-ending injuries and stuff like that, but we really pulled together as a team and I'm really proud of these guys."

Borders said he felt the Stallions' fortunes start to change when they defeated Woodson 54-52 on Feb. 10, late in the regular season.

"The game [where] we beat Woodson the first time," he said. "That's when we knew we were on a roll and it started from there."

After receiving the No. 7 seed in the Conference 7 tournament, South County edged

No. 2 T.C. Williams 59-55 on Feb. 19 in Alexandria, earning a berth in the 6A North region tournament. Four days later, the Stallions traveled to Burke and thumped No. 3 Lake Braddock 78-61 on Feb. 23 in the conference semifinals.

"I think we're capable of making it to the state tournament," Berry said. "I think we've proven that we're one of the better teams in the region — big wins over TC, Lake Braddock and now Woodson. I think the sky's the limit for us."

**IT TOOK HESS TWO SEASONS** to lead the Stallions to their first conference championship. Prior to coaching at South County, Hess led Langley to four Liberty District titles and two region championship game appearances.

"Coach Hess is amazing," Berry said. "He's done everything. He's stayed up late nights putting in game plans, he's come to practice early [and stayed] late. When it comes to [college] recruiting, he's really making sure guys [are] getting their stuff done. He's a great coach and even better man and the amount of respect I have for him is unbelievable."

South County's Borders and Gregory were named to the all-tournament team, along with Woodson's Matt Ayoub, Tyler Wilson and Bowles.

Bowles led the Cavaliers with 29 points. Wilson scored 26 points and Ayoub added 25.

South County will host Chantilly in the opening round of the 6A North region tournament on Thursday, Feb. 26. Woodson, which won the previous two big-school region championships, will host Robinson.

"We're capable of some big things," Borders said. [www.CONNECTIONNEWSPAPERS.COM](http://www.CONNECTIONNEWSPAPERS.COM)

PHOTO BY JON ROETMAN/THE CONNECTION



## SPORTS

# Robinson Wrestlers Riggs, DePasquale Win State Championships

**Rams place third in team standings.**

BY JON ROETMAN  
THE CONNECTION

**A**fter eliminating the final obstacle in his path to a second state championship, Centreville senior Tyler Love eliminated the source of the ribbing he had received in recent weeks.

Love repeated as the Group 6A 195-pound champion, pinning Colonial Forge's Cameron Houston in the finals during the VHSL state wrestling tournament Feb. 20 at Robinson Secondary School. After posing for pictures on the medal stand, Love used the electric razor he brought to the meet to rid himself of the lip fuzz he sported during the postseason.

Along with a state title, Love won Conference 5 and 6A North region championships with the 'stache. But did he still receive a hard time for the facial hair?

"Absolutely," Love said. "All the time. I couldn't go anywhere without catching crap for it."

**ALL JOKES ASIDE**, Love's performance Friday put the finishing touch on a spectacular high school career. Along with two wrestling state titles, Love was a standout linebacker for the Centreville football team and helped the Wildcats reach the state final during his junior and senior seasons. Centreville won in all in 2013, finishing an undefeated season with a victory over nationally-ranked Oscar Smith in the championship game. In 2014, Centreville lost in overtime to Ocean Lakes in the season finale.

"It's pretty frickin' good," Love said of his high school career. "Obviously, four rings would have been nicer."

Love will continue his wrestling career at the University of Virginia — one of the reasons Love said he was motivated to continue working after winning his first wrestling title.

"It wasn't hard at all," Love said about finding motivation. "I know I'm moving to the collegiate level and I have to always keep on getting better."

Did the second state title feel any different than the first?

"It feels better," Love said, "because it's hard to repeat anything, as we saw in football."

Love was part of a Centreville trio that earned enough points to finish second in the team standings. Victor Echeverria won the 113-pound title, beating Battlefield's Matthew Asper via 8-4 decision, and Michael Vu finished runner-up in the 132-pound bracket.

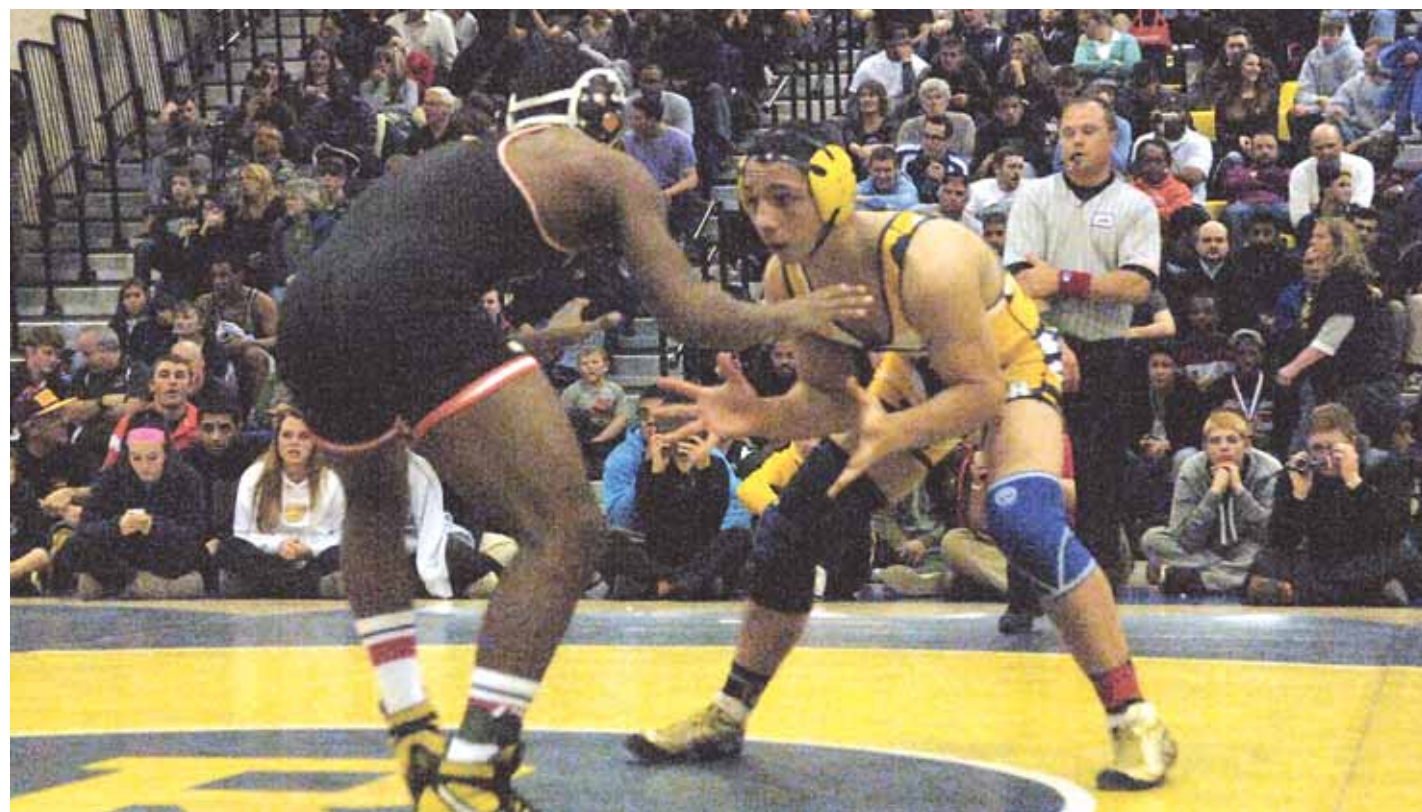
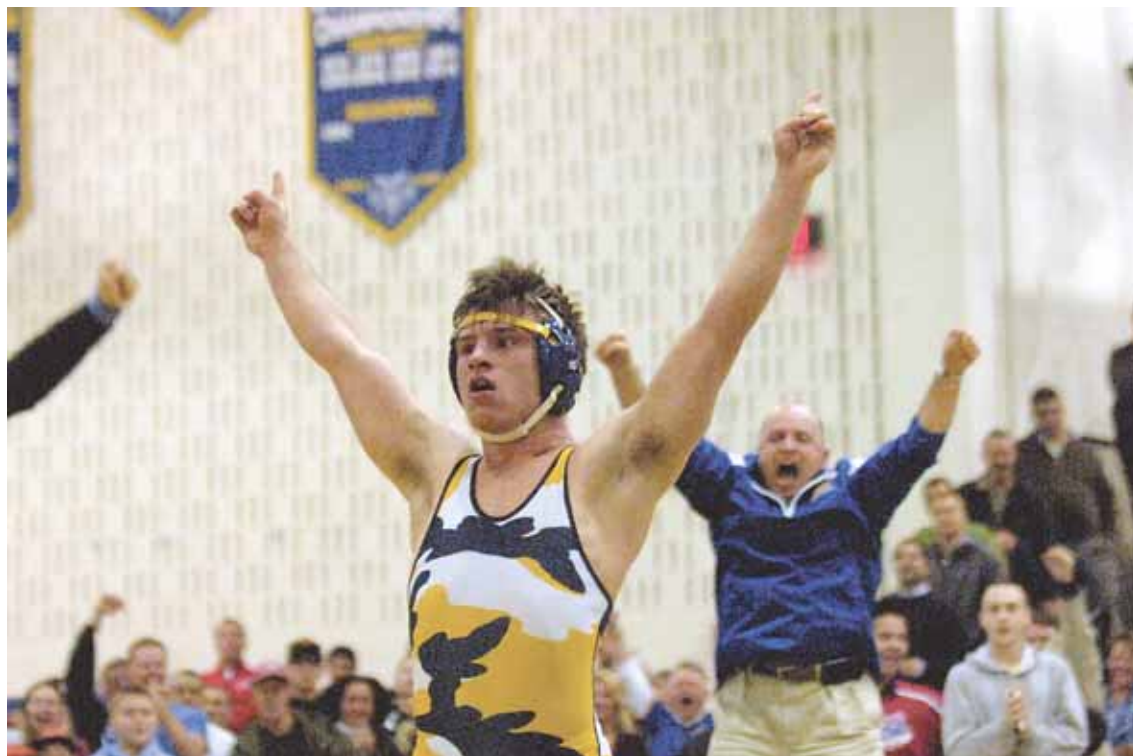
Colonial Forge dominated the competition, producing a winning score of 147. Centreville finished runner-up (57.5), followed by Robinson (51), Westfield (48) and Battlefield (47).

"It's amazing," Love said of Centreville placing second. "I'm so proud of Vu and Vic."

Centreville's Conference 5 foes Westfield

**Robinson wrestler Austin Riggs won the 145-pound state title on Feb. 20 at Robinson Secondary School.**

**Robinson's Cole DePasquale won his second state championship on Feb. 20.**



PHOTOS BY CRAIG STERBUTZEL/THE CONNECTION

and Robinson each produced two individual state champions, as well.

**ROBINSON'S** Austin Riggs won the 145-pound title, beating Thomas Dale's Corey Leonard, 5-4. Riggs trailed by one in the closing seconds before scoring two points for a reverse, sending the home crowd into a frenzy.

"I just got his wrist and it just really opened it up," Riggs said. "His hips came off a little bit — just a little bit of an opening and I took it." DePasquale won the 182-pound title — his second state championship — via 3-1 sudden victory over Hayfield's Antonio Agee.

"With your family and friends cheering you on and that roar at the end," DePasquale said, "everything just feels right."

Westfield's Justin Yorkdale pinned Vu to win the 132-pound title — Yorkdale's second state championship.

"Michael is a really tough kid," Yorkdale said, "but I pinned him twice before — I pinned him in the regional final — so I was pretty confident." Yorkdale said it wasn't easy to get back to work after winning his first title.

"The first one is definitely ... so fulfilling," he said. "... [After] I won my first one, the offseason, that was really hard. You're coming off a big win — that's your main goal in high school, to win a state title — and now what do I do? ... It's definitely tough to push yourself."

Westfield senior Austin Knies defeated Stafford's Sebastian Silva via 1-0 decision to win the 285-pound title. Knies missed the 2014 postseason after dislocating his

right kneecap prior to the conference meet, making Friday's victory that much sweeter.

"I got injured and I started to lose faith if he would ever get there," Knies said. "... The lowest point was actually watching states [in 2014]. I watched where I would have been. As it progressed, I was like, 'Oh I could have beaten him, I could have done better there.' It was really hard for me to watch the state tournament. I felt like I had wasted the golden egg that I had been given where I had a really good chance of doing well at states."

Robinson's Austin Riggs won the 145-pound championship and Cole DePasquale repeated as 182-pound champion.

Due to inclement weather concerns, the VHSL condensed the two-day state tournament into a one-day tournament. The competition lasted until after midnight.



ZONE 2: • BURKE  
• FAIRFAX • SPRINGFIELD  
• FAIRFAX STATION/CLIFTON/LORTON

# HOME & GARDEN

CONNECTIONNEWSPAPERS.COM

CONTRACTORS.com

703-778-9411

ZONE 2 AD DEADLINE:  
TUESDAY NOON

# EMPLOYMENT

## CLEANING

## CLEANING

**MAGALI CLEANING SERVICE**  
15 Years Experience.  
Excellent References.  
VA, MD, DC  
**20% off 1st time service**  
Available 7 days a week  
**571-332-6407**  
[www.magalicleanerservices.com](http://www.magalicleanerservices.com)

## IMPROVEMENTS

## IMPROVEMENTS

**The HANDYMAN**  
A DIVISION OF NURSE CONSTRUCTION  
**BATHROOM REMODELING, DRYWALL, PAINTING, CERAMIC TILE, CARPENTRY, POWER WASHING & MUCH MORE**  
*You have tried the rest - NOW CALL THE BEST!!*  
Proudly serving Northern VA - 46 yrs. exp.  
We Accept VISA/MC  
**703-441-8811**  
Licensed Insured

## HAULING

**ANGEL'S HAULING**  
Junk Trash Removal, Yard/Construction Debris, Garage/Basement Clean Out, Mulching.  
**703-863-1086**  
**703-582-3709**  
**240-603-6182**

## LANDSCAPING

**JUNK HAULING**  
Junk, Rubbish, Homes, Offices, Commerical, Yard/Construction Debris, Lot Clear out, 24 hrs day, General Hom Work.  
**703-520-3205 N-VA**

## BUSINESS OPP

## BUSINESS OPP

**TELEPHONE**  
A great opportunity to **WORK AT HOME!**  
NATIONAL CHILDRENS CENTER  
No sell! Salary + Bonus + Benefits!  
**301-333-1900**  
Weekdays 9-4

## ELECTRICAL

## ELECTRICAL

**K & D ELECTRIC**  
COMMERCIAL / RESIDENTIAL SERVICE  
Family Owned & Operated  
Recessed Lighting Ceiling Fans Phone/CATV Computer Network Cabling Service Upgrades Hot Tubs, etc...  
Licensed/Bonded/Insured  
Office 703-335-0654  
Mobile 703-499-0522  
lektrkman28@gmail.com

## R&N Carpentry

◆ BASEMENTS ◆ BATHS ◆ KITCHENS  
Foreclosure specialist/Power washing  
◆ Exterior Wood Rot More!  
Deck & Fence repair, Screen Porches  
No jobs too large or small  
Free est. 37 yrs exp. Licensed, Insured  
**703-987-5096**

If tomorrow were never to come, it would not be worth living today.  
-Dagobert Runes

## TREE SERVICE

**ANGEL'S TREE REMOVAL**  
Brush & Yard Debris Trimming & Topping Mulching & Hauling  
[Angeltreeslandscaping-hauling.com](http://Angeltreeslandscaping-hauling.com)  
**703-863-1086**  
**703-582-3709**  
**240-603-6182**

## TREE SERVICE

## TREE SERVICE

## FUN JOB FOR MOMS

Local dog walking and pet sitting company, seeking fit adults for permanent year round positions. Must love dogs, and being outside. Cell phone, internet, flexibility, and a reliable vehicle a must. Competitive pay, fun work environment if you love animals! Call Abbie  
**703-473-9768**

## MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST

Busy Internal Medicine office in Burke needs part time front desk staff. Must be able to multi-task. Experience preferred.  
Email resume to  
[patriciaabounds@hotmail.com](mailto:patriciaabounds@hotmail.com)

## Join the team of professionals

at a busy, progressive eye care practice in Burke, VA. Requires excellent communication skills, ability to multi-task, attentive to details and work with a large volume of patients. Duties include answering phones, checking in patients, and assisting doctors. Experience with multi-functional databases required with billing and insurance a plus, (training available). Availability is Monday through Friday with additional Saturdays. Please fax your resume with a cover letter to 703-451-9291 or email to [business@virginiaeyecare.com](mailto:business@virginiaeyecare.com).

## Editorial Assistant/Assistant Editor

Full-time assistant editor to help with all aspects of producing award-winning weekly newspapers, including daily web and social media updates.  
Must be a prolific, efficient, accurate writer/rewriter with good basic knowledge of AP style and clean copy. Self-starter with excellent time management skills who can to work independently and collaboratively with strong organizational skills, high productivity, attention to detail. Exciting opportunity to learn from excellent editors.  
Essential Responsibilities:  
Generating local content daily for print and online, including calendar & entertainment listings, news briefs, crime reports, business briefs, school and education notes, faith notes, photo galleries, etc.  
Monitor never-ending email, prioritize, download, edit, compile, post.  
Community engagement, communication with readers and sources. Continuously seeking new sources of local information.  
Copy editing, fact checking, familiarity with AP Style.  
Design and paginate weekly entertainment, calendar and notes pages for multiple papers. Update websites daily, post to social media. Stay on top of local breaking news, work with editor and reporters to update.  
Help transition to digital first workflow.  
Salary approximately \$30K, health insurance, paid vacation. Office is 2 blocks from King Street Metro station. Free parking.  
Send letter, resume, three clips or examples of work to [resumes@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:resumes@connectionnewspapers.com)

## GUTTER

## GUTTER

**GUTTER CLEANING**  
Gutters and Downspouts Cleaned Small Repairs • Gutter Guards  
**PINNACLE SERVICES**  
lic/ins **703-802-0483** free est.  
email [jamie@lawnsandgutters.com](mailto:jamie@lawnsandgutters.com)  
web: [lawnsandgutters.com](http://lawnsandgutters.com)  
Friendly Service with a Friendly Price!

## HANDYMAN

## HANDYMAN

**RCL HOME REPAIRS**  
Handyman Services  
Springfld • Burke • Kingstowne  
Light Electrical • Plumbing • Bathroom Renovation • Ceramic Tile • Drywall Repair  
**703-922-4190**  
LIC. [www.rclhomerepairs.com](http://www.rclhomerepairs.com) INS.

## SPRINGFIELD HANDYMAN

► Small Home Repairs  
► Good Rates  
► Experienced  
**703-971-2164**

## Hand and Hand Handyman

**General Remodeling Residential & Commercial**  
Specializing in:  
Kitchen/Bathroom/Basement Remodeling  
Plumbing • Electrical • Custom Carpentry  
Doors Windows • Hardwood Floors  
Crown Molding • House Cleaning  
Interior/Exterior Painting • Brick/Stone Work  
Ceramic Tile • Decks, Fences, Patios  
HOA Maintenance, Granite Counter Tops  
Realtors Work and Much More  
Licensed and Insured Serving Northern Virginia  
**703-296-6409**

## R.N. CONTRACTORS, INC.

Remodeling Homes, Flooring, Kitchen & Bath, Windows, Siding, Roofing, Additions & Patios, Custom Deck, Painting  
We Accept All Major Credit Cards  
Licensed, Insured, Bonded • Free Estimates • Class A Lic  
Phone: 703-887-3827 Fax: 703-830-3849  
E-mail: [rncontractorsinc@gmail.com](mailto:rncontractorsinc@gmail.com)  
[www.rncontractors.com](http://www.rncontractors.com)

**Picture Perfect**  
**Home Improvements**  
**(703) 590-3187**

## Remodeling Bathrooms, Kitchens & Basements

Exterior & Interior Repair, Painting, Carpentry, Wood Rot, Drywall, All Flooring, Decks  
•FREE Estimates •EASY To schedule  
•FAST & Reliable Service •NO \$\$\$ DOWN!  
Handyman Services Available  
<http://www.pphionline.com/>  
"If it can be done, we can do it"  
Licensed - Bonded - Insured

## LAWN SERVICE

## LAWN SERVICE

## PINNACLE SERVICES, INC. LAWN SERVICE

**MOWING, TRIMMING, EDGING, MULCHING & TRIM HEDGES**  
Friendly Service for a Friendly Price  
**703-802-0483**

## THE CONNECTION CLASSIFIED

Classified or Home • Lawn • Garden:  
**703-917-6400**  
Employment: 703-917-6464  
E-mail: [classified@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:classified@connectionnewspapers.com)

## Quality Tree Service & Landscaping

Reasonable prices. Licensed & insured  
**Leaf Removal Gutter Cleaning**  
25 years of experience  
Free estimates  
**703-868-5358**  
24 Hour Emergency Tree Service

## Quality Tree Service & Landscaping

Reasonable prices. Licensed & insured.  
**Fall Cleanup...**  
Tree removal, topping & pruning, shrubbery trimming, mulching, leaf removal, planting, hauling, gutter cleaning, retaining walls, drainage problems, etc.  
25 years of experience - Free estimates  
**703-868-5358**  
**24 Hour Emergency Tree Service**

## HOW TO SUBMIT ADS TO

## THE CONNECTION

Newspapers & Online

## CLASSIFIED

**DEADLINES**  
Zones 1, 5, 6 ..... Mon @ noon  
Zones 2, 3, 4 ..... Tues @ noon

E-mail ad with zone choices to: [classified@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:classified@connectionnewspapers.com) or call Andrea @ 703-778-9411

## EMPLOYMENT

**DEADLINES**  
Zones 1, 5, 6 ..... Mon @ noon  
Zones 2, 3, 4 ..... Tues @ noon

E-mail ad with zone choices to: [classified@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:classified@connectionnewspapers.com) or call Andrea @ 703-778-9411

## ZONES

**Zone 1:** The Reston Connection  
The Oak Hill/Herndon Connection  
**Zone 2:** The Springfield Connection  
The Burke Connection  
The Fairfax Connection  
The Fairfax Station/Clifton/Lorton Connection  
The Alexandria Gazette Packet  
The Mount Vernon Gazette  
**Zone 4:** Centre View North  
Centre View South  
**Zone 5:** The Potomac Almanac  
**Zone 6:** The Arlington Connection  
The Vienna/Oakton Connection  
The McLean Connection  
The Great Falls Connection



ZONE 2: • BURKE  
• FAIRFAX • SPRINGFIELD  
• FAIRFAX STATION/CLIFTON/LORTON

# CLASSIFIED

703-778-9411  
ZONE 2 AD DEADLINE:  
TUESDAY NOON

## BULLETIN BOARD

Send notes to the Connection at [south@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:south@connectionnewspapers.com) or call 703-778-9416. The deadline for submissions is the Friday prior to publication. Dated announcements should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event.

THE  
CONNECTION  
NEWSPAPERS

CLASSIFIED

For Local...

- Employment
- Employees
- Services
- Entertainment
- Announcements
- Real Estate
- Cars
- Trucks
- Vans
- RV's
- Boats
- Pets
- Yard Sales
- Crafts
- Hobbies
- And More!

For All  
Your  
Advertising  
Needs...

It Works.  
Week  
After Week.

703  
917-6400

Place  
Your  
Ad  
Today!

THE  
CONNECTION  
to your community

### 26 Antiques

We pay top \$ for STERLING, MEN'S WATCHES, JEWELRY, COSTUME JEWELRY, FURNITURE, PAINTINGS AND CLOCKS. Schefer Antiques 703-241-0790 [theschefers@cox.net](mailto:theschefers@cox.net)

### 29 Misc. for Sale

MED LIFT CHAIR (new) 25 series model, 2 positions, Battery back-up \$600.00 703-695-5348

### 102 Instruction

ENGLISH/ FOREIGNERS BY SKYPE expert teacher learn at home \$10 per hr. 703-378-1714 Mary

### 101 Computers

## HDI COMPUTER SOLUTIONS

JENNIFER SMITH ♦ Serving the Area Since 1995

- Speed up Slow Computers
- Troubleshooting
- Virus Removal
- Computer Setup



(571) 265-2038

[jennifer@HDIComputerSolutions.com](mailto:jennifer@HDIComputerSolutions.com)

### 26 Antiques

## PRIVATE SWORD COLLECTION FOR SALE

Antique swords from the United States and United Kingdom. Call 703-371-1765

### 21 Announcements

### 21 Announcements

#### Public Notice

Notice is hereby given that USMA LLC, 8110 Kenova Lane, Springfield, VA 22153, has applied for authority to operate as a Common Carrier of Passengers over Irregular Routes. If granted, the certificate will only authorize passenger transportation between points in the Counties of Arlington, Fairfax, and Loudoun, Virginia, to/from Reagan National Airport (DCA, in Arlington, Virginia), and to/from Dulles International Airport (IAD, in Loudoun, Virginia). Any person who wishes to support or oppose the application, but does not wish to be a party to the matter, may submit a written statement to DMV Motor Carrier Services Operating Authority Case Management, P. O. Box 27412, Richmond, VA 23269-0001. The statement must be signed and contain the applicant's name and DMV Case Number MC1400328EF. Any person who wishes to protest the application and be a party to the matter must contact DMV Motor Carrier Services Operating Authority Compliance Management at (804) 367-6504 to receive information on filing a protest. The deadline for submitting letters of support, opposition, or protest is Thursday, March 5, 2015 (must be postmarked on or before).

## HOW TO SUBMIT ADS TO

THE  
CONNECTION  
Newspapers & Online

**CLASSIFIED • CHOOSE 1 TO 6 ZONES**  
E-mail [classified@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:classified@connectionnewspapers.com) or call Andrea @ 703-778-9411

**EMPLOYMENT • CHOOSE 1 TO 6 ZONES**  
E-mail [classified@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:classified@connectionnewspapers.com) or call Andrea @ 703-778-9411

### 21 Announcements

### 21 Announcements

#### OBITUARY

**Dakota George Cape**, of Springfield, VA born December 18th 1914 passed away on February 7th 2015. He is survived by his loving parents, Cory and Kirsten Cape, brother Arkarian Spirek, grandparents, great-grandparents, great-great-grandmother, and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Visitation was held at Fairfax Memorial Funeral Home, 9902 Braddock Road, Fairfax, VA 22032, on Sunday, February 15th, from 4-6 PM as well as Monday, February 16th, from 6-8 PM. A memorial service was held at Living Faith Church, 10266 Battlevue Parkway, Manassas, VA 20109, on Friday, February 20th, 2015 at 9:30.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to: <http://www.gofundme.com/m2fd60>.

To read a full obituary or to sign an online guestbook for the family, please visit [www.fmfh.com](http://www.fmfh.com).

I am easily  
satisfied with  
the very best.  
-Winston Churchill

### 101 Computers

### 21 Announcements

### 25 Sales & Auctions

### 25 Sales & Auctions

## PUBLIC REAL ESTATE AUCTION FAIRFAX COUNTY

SATURDAY, MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup> @ 11:30AM  
7808 Southdown Rd, Alexandria, VA 22308



6BR/6FBA/2HBA Single Family Waterfront Home & 106'x47' +/- lot w/ private parking on the Potomac River. Financial statement & appointment required for showing.

Gopal Hariani 410-977-9390

**AUCTION BROKERS**

TERMS: Deposit: \$30,000 due at time of sale. Cash or certified funds. 30-day settlement - 10% buyer's premium. Brokerage up to 10%. See website for full terms and conditions. \* Sale on Previews. Auctioneer: Larry Blazewicz (LVA) 703-410-426-2622

[www.AuctionBrokers.net](http://www.AuctionBrokers.net)

### 21 Announcements

### 21 Announcements

### 21 Announcements

# THIS AD FOR SALE!

Reach across Virginia  
with this ad!  
No other media offers  
the audience of loyal,  
local, repeat readers  
you'll reach through  
community newspapers!

71% of American adults have used a newspaper, a newspaper website and/or a newspaper mobile source in the past 30 days. (Scarborough Research 2012)

Virginia Press Services will run this business card-size display ad across Virginia for one low discounted price. For more details, call Adriane at 804-521-7585.

Virginia  
**PRESS**  
Services

### 21 Announcements

### 21 Announcements

### 21 Announcements

## Outer Banks, North Carolina - Vacation Rentals



- Over 600 vacation homes in all price ranges!
- Kitty Hawk, Kill Devil Hills, Nags Head, and Southern Shores to Corolla
- 2 to 18 bedrooms most with private pool/hot tub
- Linens and towels are provided (call for exception)

*Brindley Beach*  
VACATIONS & SALES

Reserve your family vacation today!

877-642-3224 . [www.brindleybeach.com](http://www.brindleybeach.com)

### 21 Announcements

### 21 Announcements

### 21 Announcements

# WET BASEMENT??? CRACKED WALLS???

We Fix: Basements, Crawlspace, Cracked/Settling Foundations, Bowing Walls

**800-772-0704**

**seal-tite**

**FREE ESTIMATES**

Serving you since 1972

Call Now! 10% Limited Time Coupon  
Some Restrictions Apply

### 21 Announcements

### 21 Announcements

### 21 Announcements

## LIFETIME METAL ROOFING

by VA CAROLINA BUILDINGS



45 Year Warranty  
Financing Available  
Licensed & Insured  
Local Contractor

**12 MONTHS  
SAME AS  
CASH!**  
W.A.C.



**1-800-893-1242**  
Call For Your Free Roof Inspection!

### FRIDAY/FEB. 27

**English Conversation Group.** 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. 9520 Richmond Highway, Lorton. Practice speaking English with others and improve your skills. Adults. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/lo/>.

### SATURDAY/FEB. 28

**Boating Safety Class.** 8 a.m.-5 p.m. 8592 Richmond Highway, Alexandria. State required powerboat safety class provided by U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. Includes textbook, certificate and card, free membership in Boat US and West Marine discounts. \$40. Contact [herpomp79@gmail.com](mailto:herpomp79@gmail.com) or 703-362-7079.

**VITA Tax Assistance.** 10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. Tax help. IRS-certified volunteers help taxpayers who earned up to \$52K. Adults. <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/branches/kn/>.

### THURSDAY/MARCH 5

**Friends Annual Meeting.** 6-8 p.m. Hear about the biggest ship collision of the 20th century, the Andrea Doria, at 7 p.m. Refreshments served.

### TUESDAY/MARCH 10

**March NARFE Fairfax Chapter 737 Meeting.** 11:30 a.m. American Legion Post 177, 3939 Oak Street, Fairfax. The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE) luncheon meeting. Lunch at noon (cost-\$11), followed by a presentation on "Elder Law" given by Evan Farr, Certified Elder Law Attorney & Three-time Best Selling Author. Chapter 737 meets on the second Tuesday of each month, except July and August. Membership is open to all federal employees, retirees, spouses and survivors. For more information on the benefits of NARFE membership visit [www.NARFE.org](http://www.NARFE.org).

### THURSDAY/MARCH 12

**Caregiver Bootcamp!** Insight Memory Care Center, 3953 Pender Drive, Suite 100, Fairfax. Join IMCC for a special day-long training event. The bootcamp will include presentations from experts in the fields of financial planning, medical issues, legal needs, and caregiver support. There will be a small fee for this session and lunch is provided. Call 703-204-4664 to RSVP and for more information.

### ONGOING

**Volunteer Fairfax** seeks individuals, families, youth and corporate groups for service opportunities at a variety of nonprofit agencies. One-time special events or ongoing activities are available at [www.volunteerfairfax.org](http://www.volunteerfairfax.org) or call 703-246-3460.

**Singers Wanted for the Celebration Singers.** The women's show choir is interested in new talent to perform at various Northern Virginia community sites. Practices are Wednesdays 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. in Burke. Contact Gayle Parsons, 703-644-4485 or email [gparsons3@cox.net](mailto:gparsons3@cox.net).

**Online Scavenger Hunt.** Visit Fairfax tasks those interested in becoming "citizen ambassadors" to the county (those informed on fun, creative weekend outings in the area) to find two Fairfax County Ambassador icons hidden throughout the [fxva.com](http://fxva.com) website in order to join the ambassador team; those who find all five hidden pins will receive a complimentary gift. [www.fxva.com/online-ambassador](http://www.fxva.com/online-ambassador).

**Senior Fall Prevention Classes.** 1:30-2:30 p.m., at the Woodlands Retirement Community, 4320 Forest Hill Drive, Fairfax. Tuesday and/or Thursday classes in a heated pool designed to work on balance and core muscles for injury prevention. \$10. 703-667-9800.

**American Red Cross CPR, First Aid and AED.** Various times, at 2720 State Route 699, Suite 200, Fairfax. One-year certification, digital or print materials and continued education on Mondays through Thursday and Saturday. \$70-110. [www.redcrossna.org](http://www.redcrossna.org).





# LONG & FOSTER® # 1 in Virginia

703-425-8000



**Carol Hermandofer**  
703-216-4949

**C.A.R.O.L.**  
**Hermandofer Associates**  
Top 1% of Agents Nationally



**Fairfax Club Estates - \$625,000**  
Terrific Home w/ Updated Kitchen & Walk-out  
Lower Level to Great Backyard!



**Clifton - \$1,195,000**  
Stately Home on Perfect 2 Acres. Updates and Wonderful  
Features Throughout - Incredible Attention to Details!

View more photos at [www.hermandofer.com](http://www.hermandofer.com)



**David Levent**  
703-338-1388  
[davidshomes@lnf.com](mailto:davidshomes@lnf.com)  
Selling Virginia's Finest Homes  
Member, NVAR Multi Million Dollar Sales Club



**Alexandria**  
Lovely 4 bedroom townhome in D'Evereux West subdivision  
of Alexandria. 1 Mile from Kingstowne & close to Springfield  
Franconia Metro and Ft. Belvoir. Home has 2 full and 1 half  
bath plus rough-in bath in basement. Call for details.



**MARSHA WOLBER**  
Lifetime Member NVAR Top Producers  
Top 5% of Agents Nationally  
[www.marshawolber.com](http://www.marshawolber.com)  
Cell: 703-618-4397



**Clifton**  
**\$1,690,000**  
**Castle Hill Farm**  
Own a piece  
of Clifton  
history! 18+  
acres with  
c1840 farm-  
house, barn,  
horse pas-  
tures, and  
separate 1BR, 1BA guest house. Some of the prettiest land in  
Clifton! So many options including family compound, B & B,  
horse property, or subdivision possible.



**JUDY SEMLER**  
703-503-1885  
[judys@longandfoster.com](mailto:judys@longandfoster.com)  
[www.JudysHomeTeam.com](http://www.JudysHomeTeam.com)



**Fairfax/Kings Park West** \$475,000  
Lovely 4 bedroom home with garage \* Wood floors \* Updated  
kitchen that opens to private patio \* Living room with fireplace  
\* Family room opens to deck & hot tub \* Large fenced back yard  
\* Fresh paint & carpet. Call Judy for more information.



**West Springfield** \$2,250  
Lovely rambler with 4 bdrms & 3 full updated baths \* Refinished wood  
floors on main level \* Updated eat-in kitchen \* Fresh neutral paint \*  
Fireplace in recreation room \* Fenced back yard w/storage sheds \*  
Multi-level decking \* Driveway parking. Call Judy for more information.



**STEVE CHILDRESS**  
"Experience...with  
Innovation!"  
Life Member NVAR Top Producers  
Buyer Broker since 1973!  
703-981-3277



**OAKTON Gorgeous Modern Farmhouse \$2,180,000**  
Perfectly situated on 4 acres of land overlooking stream & natural  
wooded landscape. 7,000 fin. sq. ft. on 3 fully fin. lvls. Gourmet kit. &  
walk-in pantry, sunlit morning rm, fam. rm with lge stone fireplace,  
huge living rm & elegant open din rm. Lge master suite w/incredible  
views w/luxury bath & closets, 3 very large BRs w/2 full BAs! Full  
walkout 2nd family rm, plus game room overlooking swimming pool!  
Exercise/BR w/BA & steam shower, office w/built-in workstation &  
designer HD theater! Much MORE...CALL Steve NOW...703 981-3277.

**Pep Bauman**  
"Put Pep's Energy to Work for You"  
703-314-7055  
[PepLnF.com](http://PepLnF.com)



**Stafford** **Coming Soon**  
Serenity and seclusion. This is it. Beautiful 4 bdrm, 3 ba with  
den on 3.5 private acres. Freshly painted, updated throughout  
with hardwood floors, granite counters, gorgeous kitchen and  
baths. Screen porch. Park-like setting.



Come to the HEART  
of Real Estate, since 1980  
Proudly Serving Northern VA  
**KAY HART, CRS, GRI**  
Associate Broker  
Life Member NVAR Top Producer  
[kay.hart@longandfoster.com](mailto:kay.hart@longandfoster.com)  
703-503-1860



**JON SAMPSON**  
[jon.sampson@longandfoster.com](mailto:jon.sampson@longandfoster.com)  
[jonsampsonrealtor.com](http://jonsampsonrealtor.com)  
703-307-4357

The 2015 Market will heat up in March  
following the chills of February.

Coming Soon! 4 BR Single Family Values

Burke - Top of the line beauty near Lake Braddock HS.

Lorton - Five minutes to Ft Belvoir. Looks great.

Falls Church - Excellent Location. Charming!

Call Kay for Coming Soon Details in March.  
703-503-1860

This is the time to prepare  
for the spring market!  
Contact me for professional  
advice and council.  
I will gladly meet with you  
to make and execute  
plans to maximize the  
value of your home.



**Cheryl Pryor**  
REALTOR® [ckpryor@msn.com](mailto:ckpryor@msn.com)  
703-801-9985  
1st time HOME BUYERS  
don't stay on the  
sidelines,  
call me!  
NOW is the PERFECT TIME to Buy a Home...  
Interest Rates are the Lowest in Years!



**Sheila Adams**  
703-503-1895  
Life Member, NVAR Multi-Million  
Dollar Sales Club  
Life Member,  
NVAR TOP PRODUCERS



**Fairfax/Fairfax Club Estates**  
**Coming Soon**  
Charming Colonial beauty ready for market soon. 4 Bedrooms, 2 1/2 Baths, brand  
new remodeled Kitchen w/ granite counters, new hardwood flooring on main level,  
new carpeting upstairs, updated baths, newer windows, furnace, A/C, roof & siding.  
Wow...it is perfect, nothing to do but move right in. Call Sheila 703-503-1895



**Mary Hovland**  
703-946-1775  
**Cathy DeLoach**  
571-276-9421  
Your REALTORS®  
Next Door

**BARBARA NOWAK & GERRY STAUDTE**  
"My Virginia Home Team"  
703-473-1803, 703-309-8948  
[gerry.staudte@longandfoster.com](mailto:gerry.staudte@longandfoster.com)  
[www.MyVirginiaHomeTeam.com](http://www.MyVirginiaHomeTeam.com)



**Fairfax \$550,000**  
Great outdoor & indoor space!  
Comfortable Colonial with 4BR/2.5BA, gas fireplace, beautiful main level ceramic tile flooring, hardwoods on UL, and remodeled kitchen. A great slate patio, front porch with swing, and nice fully fenced backyard with over-sized shed add to the wonderful outdoor space. Plus, new roof, vinyl siding, triple pane windows, new HVAC (gas heat) and more! Close to schools with Metrobus on the corner.



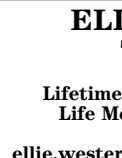
**Burke** **Low \$600's**  
Remodeled 5 BR, 3.5 BA. Sparkling white kitchen with granite counters and hardwood floors. Remodeled baths. In the heart of Burke backing to trees.



**Richard Esposito**  
703-503-4035  
[Richard@LNF.com](mailto:Richard@LNF.com)  
Service is the difference I provide.



**Fairfax Station** **\$998,000**  
This Cedarbrooke colonial has almost 3,900 sq. ft. on 3 finished levels. Updated and spacious kitchen, renovated master suite, screened-in porch, hot tub, two-story foyer and family room, professionally decorated, 3 car garage and so much more. Open Sunday, March 1st. 6203 Halley Commons Court



**ELLIE WESTER**  
703-503-1880  
L&F Founder's Club  
Lifetime NVAR Top Producer  
Life Member, NVAR Million Dollar Sales Club  
[ellie.wester@longandfoster.com](mailto:ellie.wester@longandfoster.com)



**Sterling/Countryside** **\$264,900**  
Three finished levels with common ground and trees on two sides of this end unit. Three bedrooms with 2.5 baths with walkout basement, updated appliances and baths. Quick occupancy.

Access the Realtors' Multiple Listing Service: [www.searchvirginia.listingbook.com](http://www.searchvirginia.listingbook.com)