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## New Paid Parking Policy at Reston Town Center

**Paid parking system to be set up by August.**

BY RYAN DUNN  
THE CONNECTION

**T**he Reston Town Center (RTC) has seven parking garages which service visitors, merchants and staff. The upscale shopping center is six miles from Dulles International Airport and adjacent to the interchange of Reston Parkway and the Dulles Toll Road. It has also hosted popular signature events, and offers over 30 cafes and restaurants. Yet while the parking is free, that will not be for long.

Boston Properties is the sole owner of Reston Town Center. According to Marion Myers, RTC spokesperson, paid parking at the RTC parking garages is expected to begin in the late summer of 2016. Details are being worked on the new program, and RTC management has been connecting with tenants to discuss the system. Drivers who park at RTC garages will be able to pay for parking with a smartphone app called Park RTC or by using cash or a credit card at a kiosk. There are no plans for gates in the garages, as license plates can be scanned with cameras and fees can be charged to all motorists. The app system is expected to be in



PHOTO BY RYAN DUNN/THE CONNECTION

**Reston Town Center (RTC) has 7 parking garages which service visitors, merchants and staff. While the parking has been free, that will not be for long. Boston Properties has announced plans to begin charging for parking at RTC.**

operation by August.

Parking is planned to initially cost \$2 per hour, with a maximum 24-hour charge of \$24. The garages will be free on weekends, holidays and certain special community events. Response to this change has not

been enthusiastic. "I will have to start walking more," said Reston resident Armand Marquardt. "I hope the charges will stay lenient," said George Mason University graduate student and Reston resident Sean Tatman. Others have asked how part-time

employees at RTC stores will handle the parking expense, as RTC store employees and staff will also pay to use the garages.

Myers said the parking change is necessary as commuters have been parking in the lots and the bus to commute to the Wiehle-Reston East metro station. Myers says this will help prevent parking abuse. Visitors and drivers to RTC will be able get tickets validated at RTC shops and restaurants.

Two online petitions have been organized by Reston Town Center patrons, one on the site Change.org, as well as the webpage StandUnited.org. Suzanne Zurn obtained over 3,000 online supporters who oppose the paid parking. According to Zurn: "The Tysons Corner Mall is convenient to major commuting routes and has an attached new Metro rail station with zero dedicated metro rider parking. If Tysons can handle their parking issues with no parking fees to consumers and employees, then why can't Reston?"

A community meeting will be held on Reston Town Center parking garages at 6:30 p.m. on March 31 at The Avant, located at 12025 Town Square St. at Reston Town Center. Myers says with developments of Phase 2 of the Metro Silver Line, vehicle parking abuse at the RTC was already a concern. Phase 2 of the Silver Line is expected to open in 2020, and the Reston Town Center Metro station will be in the middle of the Dulles Toll Road near Sunset Hills and Reston Parkway.

## Student Art on Display at GRACE

BY RYAN DUNN  
THE CONNECTION

**A** reception was held the evening of March 18 for the Emerging Visions program, on display at the Greater Reston Arts Center (GRACE) at Reston Town Center. The exhibit is sponsored by Hughes Group Architects, and shows the work of local high school artists inspired by Reston founder Robert E. Simon's vision for his town and what it means to live in an open community. Students, parents and teachers from Herndon, Oakton, and South Lakes High School (SLHS) attended the reception. "It is a good exhibit, it is very impressive," said Alex Martschenko, a resident of Oakton.

"The whole thing is a great opportunity for the kids, and they are very supportive of each other," said Adam Hatchl, an art teacher at Oakton High School. Simon died in September at the age 101. His 102nd birthday would have been April 10. Working with their teachers and GRACE's staff, the students created work in response to their engagement with the Center's winter exhibition, LineWorks: Drawing Redefined. Executive director and curator of Exhibitions at the Greater



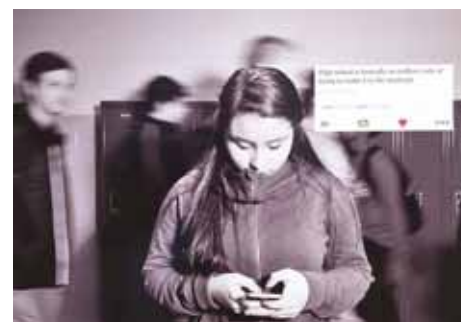
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**Sarah Craig, a senior at Oakton High School by her art piece on display at Greater Reston Arts Center (GRACE). Her mixed media piece includes commentary by local neighbors.**

Reston Arts Center (GRACE) Holly McCullough and Reston Town Center Association executive director Robert Goudie welcomed visitors.

"I am so impressed with the quality of art we have here. I am pleased to have worked with all the students who made their way into the exhibition," said John Adams, director of Education at GRACE. About 374 people attended the evening reception on Friday night. Parents expressed their gratitude for

## Reception held at Greater Reston Arts Center for high school students' art show.



GREATER RESTON ARTS CENTER (GRACE)

**Herndon High School student Erin Mills brought several photos in a piece called "Cyber Barrier." In her artist's comments, Mills says with the Internet and cyber world, people can become disconnected from the real world.**

what the art teachers and GRACE staff have done for their children. Thirty-seven artists are in the show. "I love being part of the kids art exploration," said SLHS art teacher Marco Rando. Also attending the reception was SLHS principal Kimberly Retzler.

"Often the students ambitious projects required support and encouragement from family members and friends to reach completion. To all of you who helped to

foster their artistic development, supported them in overcoming logistical challenges, and encouraged their artistic gifts, on behalf of the Greater Reston Arts Center staff and board, we thank you," said Adams.

Herndon High School students who have pieces in the exhibit include Beverly Hernandez, Erin Mills and Jules Yerovi. Yerovi's piece on display at GRACE is a flip book called "Community Through My Eyes." Mills brought several photos in a piece called "Cyber Barrier." In an artist's comment, Mills says with the Internet and cyber world, people can become disconnected from the real world.

Also attending was Razan Elbaba, an Oakton High School senior who won one of only eight Gold Medal art portfolio awards and a \$10,000 scholarship. National medalists will be celebrated at an awards ceremony at Carnegie Hall in New York City in June. Select national award winning work will be included in an exhibition in New York, and a traveling exhibition over the coming year. Angela He of Oakton High School, won a Gold Medal for digital art. Her art piece "Unity Across Time" has an image of a Reston's founder, Robert "Bob" Simon.

# OPINION

## Purple State

**Nonpartisan redistricting could support the best interests of the population, not the politicians.**

**W**hile the case of Virginia gerrymandering argued before the Supreme Court on March 21 does not impact Congressional Districts in Northern Virginia, it shows again that partisan efforts have diminished voter power in the Commonwealth.

This is one of multiple challenges in the courts about how political boundaries are drawn in Virginia.

Consider that in statewide elections, Virginia voters have chosen Democrats in the last two presidential elections, for U.S. Senate, for Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Attorney General, as we have said in previous editorials.

Here are the actual numbers:

**In 2013:**

McAuliffe (D) 1,069,789; Cuccinelli (R) 1,013,389  
Northam (D) 1,213,155; Jackson (R)

980,257  
Herring (D) 1,103,777; Obenshain (R) 1,103,612

**In 2012:**

Obama (D) 1,971,820; Romney (R) 1,822,522

Kaine (D) 2,010,067; Allen (R) 1,785,542

It's reasonable to assume that a state so evenly divided would be about evenly divided in political representation.

How is possible then that Virginia House of Delegates consists of 67 Republicans and 33 Democrats?

Why is it that Virginia's delegation to the U.S. House of Representatives consists of 11 Republicans and three Democrats?

Virginia's 11 Congressional districts should be split about evenly. You could understand a split of five Dems and six Republicans; or five Republicans and six Democrats. A four and

seven split would smack of some unusual circumstance. But three and eight?

The answer is gerrymandering. Political parties should not control the drawing of political districts. Gerrymandering thwarts the will of the voters.

Both political parties have been guilty of this when in power, although new technology and better data have made the process more egregious, the effects more damaging.

The courts will have a hand in redrawing boundaries in some Virginia districts. It's past time for courts to challenge political gerrymandering in general. Virginia's current system is an incumbent protection plan. Every incumbent who sought reelection to the General Assembly last November won. Why? Their districts were drawn for them, not for the voters who live there.

Virginia should embrace nonpartisan redistricting that supports the best interests of the population, not the politicians.

— MARY KIMM

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## Supervisors' Inaction

BY JOHN LOVAAS  
RESTON IMPACT PRODUCER/  
HOST

**COMMUNITY NOTE:** Reston Association election ballots must be returned for counting by COB Monday, April 4. There is only one real race—the At-Large seat. I suggest John Bowman, a person of integrity, knowledge and experience who cares about the community first. There is only one candidate for the other two posts. Both are excellent, not conflicted. Sherri Hebert is great, new blood for Lake Anne; Danielle La Rosa deserves a second term for North Point.

Remember the Ad Hoc Commission to Review Police Practices created by Chairman Sharon Bulova after the 2013 police killing of unarmed John Geer and the outrage after two years of stonewalling by County Police and silence from the Board of Supervisors (BOS)? The 40-member Commission submitted its final report, with 142 unanimously adopted recommendations, to the BOS last October. In the five months since, the BOS has met just once to consider specific actions. It has agreed in principle to adopt the Report of the Commission,

but not yet acted to initiate implementation of all its recommendations. The BOS just announced a second meeting planned for 10 a.m. on May 10 in Rooms 9/10 of the Fairfax County Gov't. Center (Taj Mahal). Why the delay? In a recent Reston Forum on "Making Justice Work", Supervisor Cathy Hudgins erroneously stated that the Board had in fact approved all recommendations, but additional careful consideration of implementation was required. She said the Board was "having a hard time organizing another meeting."

Meanwhile, the Washington Post sharply criticized the BOS for the delay and for preparing to undermine the Commission's unanimous recommendation for oversight of police internal investigations by an independent auditor and for a Civilian Review Panel to receive citizen complaints about police abuses. In other words, it seems the delay may not be because the Supes can't organize their own meeting, but because there are internal struggles going on over reform.

Police organizations (would-be unions) whose reps (including Fairfax Coalition of Police

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## Redesigning Our Schools

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

**M**y first experience in Fairfax County came as a result of being placed as an intern teacher by the University of Virginia in Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS). My history/political science undergraduate degree from Old Dominion University did not provide me the necessary credentials to teach; the M. Ed. program allowed me to continue my studies in history while completing a year-long supervised internship. The school in which I was placed scheduled me for three periods of the most challenging students in the school from whom I could learn to teach.

That year and the additional two years I was in the classroom before moving into administration continue to be the hardest work I ever have had to do. And I learned a lot from the students. I prided myself on being able to work with the most difficult students, but even I faced challenges I could not meet. One student in particular who had been removed from every class in which he was enrolled was finally removed from my class as well. Years later after I had become director of adult education for FCPS and responsible for the night high school I saw that same student graduate from high school. He had settled down, gotten a job, and many of the com-

plexities of his personal life had been resolved. He was married and seemed very happy.

I was thinking of that student and many others that I may have helped rescue with the alternative schools I helped to start for students who could not make it in the regular school environment when I read an article in the Washington Post recently about a speech from a top school administrator on the school to prison pipeline. Her speech is part of a debate that I am pleased is occurring about the way discipline is handled in the schools.

Zero tolerance policies simplify discipline. You break the rules you are automatically out—no need for administrators or school boards to be concerned as to whether there is a better way. Confusing school discipline with criminal behavior helps shift the burden from the school principal to the school resource officer/cop to take care of the problem. Suspending children as young as four or five may provide some relief in the short run but may contribute to bigger problems in the long run. Enforcing a system of standardized testing based on rigid standards increases anxiety for teachers and students alike, and it may not be the best way to educate children. Assuming that one can teach someone all they need to know for a future decades from now is fool

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Herndon's traditional Easter Egg Hunt will be on Saturday, March 26 on Lynn Street.



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# Celebrating Easter in the Area

**SATURDAY/MAR. 26**

**Traditional Easter Egg Hunt.** 9-11:30 a.m. Check for times for age groups. 777 Lynn St., Herndon. Easter Egg Hunt, featuring: craft projects, story time, petting zoo, coloring mural, potting station, and photos with the Easter Bunny. Bring a basket or bag to collect your eggs in the hunt. \$9/\$10. Register at 703-435-6800, ext. 2106. herndon-va.gov.

**Easter Egg Hunt.** 10:15 a.m. Forest Edge Elementary School, 1501 Becontree Lane, Reston. Join Restoration Church for an Easter service followed by a free egg hunt! Our Egg Hunt will begin around 11:15 a.m. immediately following the 10:15 a.m. Easter service. Come enjoy an egg hunt, moon bounce, snacks and more. restorationreston.org/egg-hunt. 703-405-7238.

**Easter Egg Hunt at Colvin Run Mill.** Starting at 10 a.m. Colvin Run Mill, 10017 Colvin Run Road, Great Falls. Hunt for eggs filled with treats

and treasures of the grounds of Colvin Run Mill Historic Site. Separate hunts by age group. Before the hunt, make egg-cellent crafts to take home. Bring your own basket; program will be held rain or shine. Ages 2-9. \$6/\$8. Register at http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/colvinrunmill/events.htm.

**Old-Fashioned Egg Hunt and Roll.** 10:30-11:30 a.m. Freeman House, 131 Church St., NE, Vienna. Children 12 and under and their parents are welcome to participate in an egg roll and visit with Easter Bunny, hosted by Historic Vienna, Inc. 703-938-5187.

**SUNDAY/MARCH 27**

**FAITH NOTES**

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

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

**Vajrayogini Buddhist Center,** Unitarian Universalist Church, 1625 Wiehle Ave., Reston, holds weekly classes starting Sept. 12, Thursdays 7-8:30 p.m., for the general public which use Buddhist teachings to practice meditation. \$12. 202-986-2257 or www.meditation-dc.org.

**St. Anne's Episcopal Church,** 1700 Wainwright Drive in Reston, holds Sunday services at 7:45 a.m., 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m. and contemporary service at 5 p.m. Nursery, Sunday school and adult education available. Morning prayer on

Monday at 9:30, Holy Eucharist Wednesday at 8:15 a.m. 703-437-6530 or www.stannes-reston.org.

**Adult Sunday school** will be held 9:30 a.m. Sundays at the Washington Plaza Baptist Church at Lake Anne Village Center. The group is studying the Gospel of Mark. Services follow at 11 a.m.

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

**The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington** and the Jewish Outreach Institute offer the Mothers/Parents Circle, an umbrella of free educational events and resources.

Jewish rituals, ethics and the creation of a Jewish home, regular meetings and group Shabbats and holidays. Participants include Sha'are Shalom, Congregation Beth Emeth, Temple Rodef Shalom and the Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia. ShalomDC.org.

**Epiphany United Methodist**

**Preschool,** 1014 Country Club Drive, N.E. in Vienna, is now enrolling 3- to 4-year-old students. 703-938-2391 or www.epiphanypreschool.com.

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

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

**Knitters needed** the first and third Wednesdays of the month, at 7 p.m., at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 432 Van Buren St., Herndon. The church's Shawl Ministry is offering free knitting instruction while providing shawls, blankets and other knitted items for people in need. No cost and yarn can be provided. Email shawl@saint-timothys.org or visit the Pastoral Care page at www.saint-timothys.org.

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**SingStrong A Capella Festival starts Friday, April 1 at South Lakes High School.**



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**The Northern Virginia Fine Arts Festival will be on Saturday, May 21 at the Reston Town Square Park.**

**TUESDAY/APRIL 12**  
**Design and Wine: Spring Wine Glasses with Cheryl Wilson.** 7-9 p.m. ArtSpace, 750 Center St., Herndon. Workshop on finding passion within to create beautiful wine glasses. \$30. [artspaceherndon.com](http://artspaceherndon.com). 703-956-9560.

**STARTS FRIDAY/APRIL 1**  
**SingStrong A Capella Festival.** 7-11 p.m. South Lakes High School, 1400 South Lakes Drive, Reston. The first night of SingStrong DC is ACA-Idol - the chance for a cappella groups to compete for \$1000 prizes - and entertain. \$30. Weekend pass available. 703-517-3520. [dc.singstrong.org](http://dc.singstrong.org).

**SUNDAY/MAY 1**  
**Spring Backyard Burn Trail Running Series.** Lake Fairfax Drive, Reston. Five or 10-mile trail running race on some of the best trail networks in Northern Virginia. Race 4 in a series of four. <http://www.ex2adventures.com/hybspring.php>

**SATURDAY/MAY 21**  
**Northern Virginia Fine Arts Festival - 25th Annual.** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Pavilion, streets, and Reston Town Square Park. View and purchase art from 200+ artists from across the nation and enjoy two days of live performances, acclaimed children's activities, and more. \$5 donation encouraged. Presented by Greater Reston Arts Center. 703-471-9242. [restonarts.org](http://restonarts.org).

CALENDAR

Send announcements to [reston@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:reston@connectionnewspapers.com). The deadline is the Friday prior to the following week's paper. Photos/artwork encouraged.

**ONGOING**  
**Reston Art Gallery and Studio March Group Show.** March 3-31. Reston Art Gallery and Studio, 11400 Washington Plaza W, Reston. [RestonArtGallery.com](http://RestonArtGallery.com).  
**Joyful Color in Reston.** April 7-May 5. Reston Art Gallery and Studio, 11400 Washington Plaza W, Reston. Joan Kelly's colorful acrylic paintings of Reston scenes will be on exhibit in unison with Founder's Week, a celebration of the life of Reston founder, Robert E. Simon, Jr. [RestonArtGallery.com](http://RestonArtGallery.com).

**"Namaste Nepal."** Through April 15. Executive Center 1, 1851, Alexander Bell Drive, Reston. Dawn Murphy's photographic journey demonstrating the experiences of Nepalis during the earthquake of 2015. Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Free. [www.leagueofrestonartists.org](http://www.leagueofrestonartists.org).

**Emerging Artists: Contemplating Community.** March 15-April 9. Greater Reston Arts Center, 12001 Market St., 103, Reston. Fairfax County high school students the opportunity to work directly with GRACE's curatorial staff to create thoughtful, well-crafted artworks that will be exhibited in the gallery. This year, GRACE is dedicating its celebration of Youth Art Month to Bob Simon's vision for a New Town. [www.restonarts.org](http://www.restonarts.org). Jan. 2-March 26. Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Reston Community Center, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. RCC is collecting formal dresses, shoes, handbags, scarves and shawls, jewelry and accessories for Diva Central. All donations are appreciated, however, we ask that donations are in good condition, no older than 5 years old (circa 2011), and dry cleaned before they are donated. 703-390-6158.

**Regina Petrecca's Paintings.** February-March. Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. PenFed Realty, 1886 Metro Center Drive, Reston. Energetic brushstrokes are the hallmark of Regina Petrecca's paintings. Free. [www.leagueofrestonartists.org](http://www.leagueofrestonartists.org).  
**All-comers' Group Fun Run at Potomac River Running.** Tuesdays and Thursdays. Reston Town Center, 11900 Market Street, Reston. For beginners or competitive runners, come out for a fun, low-key run that is safe and social. For more information, call 703-689-0999 or visit <https://potomacriverrunning.com>.  
**Patrick Dougherty Public Art Installation.** Through 2017. Reston Town Square Park, 11900 Market Street, Reston. See and explore "A Bird in the Hand," a monumental public art sculpture made from tree saplings. The event is presented by GRACE in collaboration with IPAR. For more information, call 703-471-9242 or visit <http://restontowncenter.com/index.php>.

**Nancy Lasater joins the Reston Art Gallery and Studios cooperative. Her works can be seen in the Group Show on exhibit from March 3-31 at the Reston Art Gallery and Studios.**



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**Metro Center Drive, Reston.** Energetic brushstrokes are the hallmark of Regina Petrecca's paintings. Free. [www.leagueofrestonartists.org](http://www.leagueofrestonartists.org).

**Cinemas, 11940 Market St., Reston.** Reston Association presents "The 33." Refreshments and door prizes provided prior to movie. Free to 55+. Information: [Ashleigh@reston.org](mailto:Ashleigh@reston.org). 703-435-6530. [reston.org](http://reston.org).

**TUESDAY/MARCH 24**  
**"Another Way of Living: The Story of Reston, VA."** 6:30-8:30 p.m. National Building Museum, 401 F St. NW, Washington. Documentary of the story of Reston will be shown at the Environmental Film Festival. <http://anotherwayoflivingfilm.com/screensings/>.  
**Poker Night.** 7 p.m. Kalypso's Sports Tavern, 1617 Washington Plaza N, Reston. World Tavern Poker. Fireball and cider specials. 703-707-0660. [www.kalypsoSPORTSTVERN.COM](http://www.kalypsoSPORTSTVERN.COM).

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**FRIDAY/MARCH 25**  
**Bushmaster with Gary Brown: Funky Blues and Rock.** 9:30 p.m. Kalypso's Sports Tavern, 1617 Washington Plaza N, Reston. 703-707-0660. [www.kalypsoSPORTSTVERN.COM](http://www.kalypsoSPORTSTVERN.COM).  
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**Cooking Class.** Noon- 2 p.m. Il Fornaio, 11990 Market St. #106, Reston. Includes three-course luncheon with wine and recipes. \$55. Tax and gratuity not included. Reservations: 703-437-5544. [banquets.reston@ilfo.com](mailto:banquets.reston@ilfo.com).

**SATURDAY/MAR. 26**  
**Reston Founder's Day.** Noon. Lake Anne Plaza, 11404 Washington Plaza W, Reston. Join the fun, with Reston Chorale as Reston marks its 52nd Anniversary and celebrates the 102nd birthday of founder Robert E. Simon, Jr. Free. [www.restonmuseum.org](http://www.restonmuseum.org).  
**Joyful Color in Reston Opening Reception.** 1-4 p.m. Reston Art Gallery and Studio, 11400 Washington Plaza W, Reston. Joan Kelly's colorful acrylic paintings of Reston scenes will be on exhibit in unison with Founder's Week, a celebration of the life of Reston founder, Robert E. Simon, Jr. [RestonArtGallery.com](http://RestonArtGallery.com).  
**Book Signing.** 2-4 p.m. Reston Museum, 1639 Washington Plaza N, Reston. Reston native Kristina Alcorn will be signing her book about Reston founder Robert E. Simon, Jr. "In His Own Words: Stories from the Extraordinary Life of Reston's Founder, Robert E. Simon, Jr." 703-967-2995.

**SUNDAY/MARCH 27**  
**Easter Egg Hunt.** 10:15 a.m. Forest Edge Elementary School, 1501 Becontree Lane, Reston. Join Restoration Church for an Easter service followed by a free egg hunt! Our Egg Hunt will begin around 11:15 a.m. immediately following the 10:15 a.m. Easter service. Come enjoy an egg hunt, moon bounce, snacks and more. [restorationreston.org/egg-hunt](http://restorationreston.org/egg-hunt). 703-405-7238.

**Reston Readings.** 5:30-6:30 p.m. Reston's Used Book Shop, 1623 Washington Plaza North, Reston. This month's reading will feature Richard Peabody, Hailey Leithauser and Cory MacLauchlin. (703) 435-9772. <https://www.facebook.com/RestonsUsedBookShop>.  
**Ukulele Open Mic Night.** 5-8 p.m. Cafe Montmartre, 1625 Washington Plaza North, Reston. Enjoy the sounds while dining, or bring your ukule and hop on stage. 703-904-8080.

Celebrating Pinter, Poetry Month

By DAVID SIEGEL THE CONNECTION

Where and When

Be smitten by the works of Nobel recipient Harold Pinter who wrote romantic verses to his wife such as this; "You are my life, And so I live." Local audiences will come to know Pinter; his tender mercies and the stinging aches in a solo performance of "A Celebration of Harold Pinter, Directed by John Malkovich" at Reston's CenterStage. The event recognizes Harold Pinter, "one of the greatest writers of the 20th century," said Paul D. Michnewicz, arts and events director, Reston Community Center. The performance also marks the beginning of National Poetry Month. British actor Julian Sands, known from films such as "The Killing Fields," and "The Girl with a Dragon Tattoo" as well as regular television roles in "24" and "Dexter" will transform himself into Pinter based upon his meetings with the

Julian Sands in "A Celebration of Harold Pinter, Directed by John Malkovich" at Reston Community Center CenterStage, 2310 Colts Neck Road, Reston. Performance April 2, 2016 at 8 p.m. Tickets: \$20/Non-Reston Ticket Price: \$30. Call: 703-476-4500 or visit [www.restoncommunitycenter.com](http://www.restoncommunitycenter.com)  
great writer. The performance will provide rare glimpses into Pinter's deepest feelings not only through his writings, but personal anecdotes. The show was nominated for a 2013 New York Drama Desk Award. For those less familiar with Pinter, he was an influential playwright known for often biting plays about life's mysteries. His poetry has a much different bent as he wrote about the love of his life, his wife Lady Antonia Fraser. Pinter often wrote deeply emotional verse about what long-lasting love brought to his life. Sands was personally trained by the late Pinter "on the meaning and tone of his very

Reston's CenterStage celebrates Harold Pinter and National Poetry Month with actor Julian Sands.



PHOTO BY BALDUR BRAGASON/COURTESY OF BAYLIN ARTISTS MANAGEMENT  
**Julian Sands in "A Celebration of Harold Pinter, Directed by John Malkovich."**

personal poetry. Then another great actor, John Malkovich, joined the fun by directing the theatrical production," said Michnewicz. "This is a rare and fascinating collaboration of three great artists." In an interview, Sands noted that his solo show will be "a roller coaster full of many layers, yet very accessible about one man's home life with his wife. One does not need to know Pinter or his writings to enjoy the show. It is about the capacity to express romantic love in an honest, vigorous, luxurious, breathtaking manner." The performance will provide fresh insights to Pinter as the family man. "It is absolutely not essential to know Harold Pinter before the performance; just be curious," added Sands. "You will be rewarded to come to know such a gifted writer." In his later life, Pinter wrote these words to his wife and life's partner, "You are alive in my heart and my head" and "My heart is all yours." Life burns in Pinter's verse.



**Reston Association's 2016 Open House**  
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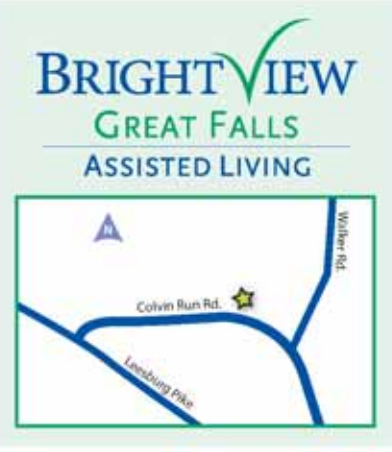
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**Herndon junior Indeya Sanders earned VHSL second-team all-state honors.**



**Oakton senior guard Alex Marquis was a VHSL first-team all-state selection.**



**Oakton junior forward Delaney Connolly was named to the VHSL all-state second team.**

PHOTOS BY WILL PALENSCAR

## Herndon's Sanders Receives All-State Honors

**H**erndon junior guard Indeya Sanders was selected the VHSL 6A all-state second team for the 2015-16 season. Sanders, who surpassed 1,000 career points during the season, helped the Hornets earn the program's first-ever state tournament berth. Herndon upset 6A South champion

Woodside in the state semifinals before the Hornets were eliminated by eventual champion Cosby in the semifinals. Oakton had a pair of players earn all-state honors: Senior guard Alex Marquis earned first-team honors and junior forward Delaney Connolly was a second-team selection.

The Cougars won their first 29 games

before losing to Langley in the state semifinals.

Other first-team selections: Noe'll Taylor (Fairfax), Genesis Parker (Stonewall Jackson), Paige Galiani (Langley), Jocelyn Jones (Cosby), Tyra Whitehead (Cosby), Cynita Webb (Landstown) and Asia McCants (Woodbridge). Jones was named Player of

the Year and Cosby's Rachel Mead earned Coach of the Year honors.

Other second-team selections: Haley Blankenship (West Springfield), Jalita Montgomery (Fairfax), Khiana Johnson (Western Branch), Cam Wilson (Woodside), Jay Kilpatrick (Woodside) and Shakira Austin (Colonial Forge).

## Langley's Galiani, Shafer First-Team All-State Selections

**T**he Langley girls' and boys' basketball teams each had a player receive VHSL 6A first-team all-state honors.

Senior guard Paige Galiani and senior forward Nate Shafer were each all-state selections for the Saxons.

Galiani became the girls' program's all-time leading scorer during the 2015-16 season. She helped the Saxons win the Conference 6 championship, the program's first district/conference title since 1988, and reach the state tournament for the first time. Langley beat Landstown in the state quarterfinals and upset previously unbeaten Oakton in the semifinals before falling to Cosby in the championship game. Shafer was a 6-foot-5 defensive presence for the boys' team, which finished 20-6 and won the Conference 6 championship.

Girls' first-team selections: Galiani, Noe'll Taylor (Fairfax), Genesis Parker (Stonewall Jackson), Jocelyn Jones (Cosby), Tyra Whitehead (Cosby), Cynita Webb (Landstown) and Asia McCants (Woodbridge). Jones was named Player of the Year and Cosby's Rachel Mead earned Coach of the Year honors.



**Langley senior guard Paige Galiani was a 6A VHSL first-team all-state selection.**

Boys' first-team selections: Shafer, Tyler Scanlon (Westfield), James Butler (Lake Braddock), Keaton Simmons (Stonewall Jackson), Jerry Carter (Hylton), Chris Orlina (Woodside), Donald Hicks (Oscar Smith) and Daryus Evans (Landstown). Scanlon was named Player of the Year and Westfield's Doug Ewell was named Coach of the Year.

PHOTO BY WILL PALENSCAR



**Langley senior midfielder Jon-Michael Duley scored four goals against Yorktown on March 17.**

PHOTO BY CRAIG STERBUTZEL/THE CONNECTION

## Langley Boys' Lax Splits First Four Games

**A**fter winning its season opener against Westfield, 12-9, on March 15, the Langley boys' lacrosse team dropped a double-overtime contest against Yorktown on March 17 in Arlington.

The Saxons opened Conference 6 play with a 9-8 loss to the Patriots, during which Langley overcame a two-goal fourth-quarter deficit to force overtime. After neither team scored during the first four-minute OT, Yorktown's C.J. Stowell scored the game-winner in the second OT.

Langley senior midfielder Jon-Michael Duley scored four goals — all in the second

half. Junior attackman Daniel Orme, junior midfielder Michael Levetown, junior midfielder Michael Killion and senior midfielder Parker Kaplan each had one.

The Saxons defeated Battlefield 14-9 on March 19 and lost to Chantilly 10-4 on March 21 — both games were at Robinson Secondary School.

Langley, led by first-year head coach Bo Ingalsbe, will travel to face two-time defending 6A state champion Robinson at noon on Wednesday, March 23. The Saxons' home opener is scheduled for 8 p.m. on Friday, April 1 against Dominion.

# Founder's Day to Honor Simon, Celebrate Community

**R**eston Historic Trust and Museum (RHT) invites the community to celebrate Robert E. Simon, Jr. and the community. In honor of Bob Simon, his vision, and his dedication to this place called Reston, RHT will host the annual Founder's Day event on Saturday, April 9 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Lake Anne Plaza. The expanded event will feature activities for all ages and will focus on the past, present, and future of Reston.

Founder's Day will feature a 50-foot ferris wheel sponsored by Reston Association (RA). The ride will offer patrons the chance to see Reston's first plaza from a new perspective and proceeds will benefit RHT and the Friends of Reston. Additional activities will include face painting, children's art projects in cooperation with the Initiative for Public Art - Reston (IPAR), and musical entertainment for all ages provided by local artists and schools.

Entertainment will include performances by Mr. Knick Knack; students from Dogwood Elementary, Hunters Woods Cooperative Preschool, Sunrise Valley Elementary, and South Lakes High School; Beverly Cosham; the Reston Chorale and the Encore Chorale; Noteworthy; singer-songwriter Amy Cox; and local band Catchin' Toads.

The event will also feature guided walks around Lake Anne Plaza in cooperation with IPAR and RA.

At noon there will be remarks by local elected officials Gerry Connolly, Ken Plum, Sharon Bulova, Cathy

Hudgins, Beverly Cosham, and Ellen Graves. The remarks will be followed by a dedication of the Bob Simon Post Office, and new public art on the plaza sponsored by IPAR, and the new commemorative bricks on Lake Anne Plaza.

Local author Kristina Alcorn will also be signing copies of her newly-published book, "In His Own Words: Stories from the Extraordinary Life of Reston's Founder, Robert E. Simon, Jr." from 2-4 p.m. during the event.

The event will be fun for the entire family. For more information, contact the Reston Historic Trust and Museum by phone at 703-709-7700, by email at [restonmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:restonmuseum@gmail.com), or by visiting [www.restonmuseum.org](http://www.restonmuseum.org).

Robert E. Simon, Jr. passed away on Sept. 21, 2015 at his home on Lake Anne Plaza. Bob was 101 years young and left a community that experienced his death as a shock despite his age.

As community civic and nonprofit organizations began planning for Reston's annual Founder's Day event in 2016, it became evident that the scope and number of commemorative activities would expand. Thus Founder's Day for 2016 has evolved into Founder's Week.

A full schedule of Founder's Week events may be found at [www.restoncommunitycenter.com/foundersweek](http://www.restoncommunitycenter.com/foundersweek).

## Lovaas

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President sitting across from me) voted for the Civilian Review Panel apparently are now trying to kill it. At the one BOS meeting held to date, the President of the Fairfax Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge 77, Brad Carruthers, told assembled Supervisors they should exercise caution in considering the recommendations since the whole Commission was only created because of complaints "from ten percent of the population who are anti-cops." What!?

If reform is to be implemented and effect real change, independent oversight and civilian review advisory functions are indispensable for assuring the integrity of the changes. Experts stress the importance of independence of oversight. Al-

though Police Chief Roessler and Chairman Bulova both say they support oversight and civilian review, the devil is likely in the details. Specifically, the more extreme voices are demanding that police be included on the Civilian Review Panel because only they truly understand the work of the police. In fact, we are where we are in Fairfax County today because there has been no oversight behind the steel blue curtain. A Civilian Review Panel is exactly that—civilian. It represents the community and provides an independent view. Let's hope Chairman Bulova, Supervisor Hudgins and other Supervisors stand firm and are neither distracted nor intimidated from transforming the Fairfax County Police Department into a more responsive, topnotch force of which we all can be proud.

## Plum

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ish if we are not teaching the skills of problem solving and learning rather than isolated bits of information.

The simple solutions of the past never worked as well as many would have hoped, and

they sometimes led to greater problems. The school model of the past will not meet the diverse needs of children today. I am pleased that discussions are taking place about new models for schools. I am just as pleased that my student of the past found his way back to school after being turned out.

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## "It's Enough Already, K.B."



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

...as my mother used to say (the initials represent my first and middle names). But is it? The context to which I refer is chemotherapy. After seven years of being infused every three weeks, most recently every four weeks, is it indeed "enough already?" At some point, if I understand my predicament/precipice correctly, the chemotherapy stops working - and then a new protocol begins. What will be treating forward, we rarely discuss. My oncologist prefers not to consider scenarios. Generally speaking, I know what awaits. The question is: is it worth the wait and/or worth the quality of life issues likely to impact?

Perhaps it's time to give my body a rest from toxic chemicals and allow it to heal itself through a combination of anything and everything except chemotherapy: diet/nutrition, exercise, Essential Oils, yoga, I.V. vitamin C therapy, oxygen therapy, cannabis oil, coffee enemas/detoxification, acupuncture, aromatherapy, and on and on and on? Unfortunately, many of these alternatives are not found in the oncologist's standard issue handbook. Presumably, they're aware of many of the non-traditional/non-Western options, but without getting into or even understanding the/their issues, it might not be in their best interests to color outside the conventional cancer-treatment lines. Ergo, as cancer patients, not only must we advocate, we must anticipate and ruminate outside the protocols to try and find some light in an otherwise extremely dark place.

But there is lots of light out there. I'm living proof of that, and I am not alone (I have five cats so I'm never alone). More to the point though, I know of many people who have died from lung cancer since I was diagnosed and "prognosed": "13 months to two years" in early 2009. Many others, however, are living longer than ever before. Whether it's the luck of the non-Irish (in my case) or lifestyle choices or unexpectedly positive responses to standard treatment protocols, success stories are easy to find. Not only is there hope, there is research and dollars supporting it all. Granted, a lung cancer diagnosis is hardly joy to the world, but neither is it the lost/underfunded/under-researched cause it used to be.

And with the evolution in the cancer-treatment world, I can't help wondering (and listening and reading too; and you know who you are) if it's the right time to get off the horse upon which I've been riding so successfully for seven-plus years now and leap - with faith, into the wild blue yonder and hopefully live longer and prosper more, naturally. I have to admit, in spite of hearing the echoes of one of my mother's favorite sayings, the thought of changing horses in midstream scares the heck out of me. I can't get the "if it ain't broke, don't fix it" expression out of my head. And as the conflict in my head continues, it becomes a bit more difficult to turn my back on the status quo. Still, if I don't consider thoroughly the past, present and future and my respective place in them, I may regret the omission and be damned if I don't.

Nevertheless, surviving seven years post a "terminal" diagnosis, is hardly cause for concern. In fact, it's cause to celebrate. Even so, I just wish I knew where to go from here: straight on through (hopefully not to the other side) or deviate from the norm that has kept me around in such fine form. Sometimes, I feel like "Bob's Big Boy." I don't know whether to stay or go...

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# Fairfax County REAL ESTATE

## 2016 Assessments by Area

Also home values for members of  
Fairfax County Board of Supervisors.

Hunter Mill Supervisor **Cathy Hudgins (D)**  
2015 — \$638,100  
2016 — \$674,430  
5.69%



Dranesville Supervisor **John Foust (D)**  
2015 — \$2,939,290  
2016 — \$2,788,330  
- 5.14%



Mason Supervisor **Penelope Gross (D)**  
2015 — \$462,630  
2016 — \$478,490  
3.43%

Great Falls  
0.72%  
**\$1,055,259**

Reston  
1.03%  
**\$428,378**

McLean  
0.99%  
**\$894,285**

Herndon  
0.60%  
**\$475,057**

Vienna  
1.85%  
**\$698,974**

Chantilly  
2.78%  
**\$462,509**

Oakton  
1.19%  
**\$694,101**



Sully Supervisor **Kathy Smith (D)**  
2015 — \$579,780  
2016 — \$607,140  
4.72%

Centreville  
0.90%  
**\$385,089**

Fairfax  
1.28%  
**\$482,115**

Falls Church  
3.17%  
**\$447,822**



Lee Supervisor **Jeff McKay (D)**  
2015 — \$774,620  
2016 — \$728,080  
- 6.01%



Providence Supervisor **Linda Smyth (D)**  
2015 — \$611,280  
2016 — \$617,810  
1.07%

Clifton  
1.70%  
**\$659,408**

Burke  
1.96%  
**\$447,099**

Springfield  
2.79%  
**\$428,503**

Alexandria  
2.06%  
**\$428,621**



Braddock Supervisor **John Cook (R)**  
2015 — \$664,480  
2016 — \$677,950  
2.03%



Springfield Supervisor **Patrick Herry (R)**  
2015 — \$599,600  
2016 — \$587,370  
- 2.05%

0% Percent Change 4%

2016 Countywide average for all homes — \$527,648

Single family-detached homes — \$632,507, up 1.69 percent

Townhouse/duplex properties — \$392,951, up 2.05 percent

Condominiums — \$261,792, up 0.73 percent



Fairfax County Chairman **Sharon Bulova (D)**  
2015 — \$645,830  
2016 — \$665,090  
2.98%



Mount Vernon Supervisor **Daniel Storck (D)**  
2015 — \$579,700  
2016 — \$585,460  
0.99%

ZIP CODE AREA	2015 MEAN	2016 MEAN	PERCENT CHANGE
Alexandria/Mount Vernon	419,966	428,621	2.06
Annandale	436,194	444,426	1.89
Burke	438,919	447,099	1.86
Centreville	381,645	385,089	0.90
Chantilly	450,015	462,509	2.78
Clifton	648,374	659,408	1.70
Fairfax	476,037	482,115	1.28
Fairfax Station	643,207	647,290	0.63
Falls Church	434,062	447,822	3.17
Great Falls	1,047,755	1,055,259	0.72
Herndon	472,236	475,057	0.60
Lorton	381,572	390,687	2.39
McLean	885,556	894,285	0.99
Oakton	685,967	694,101	1.19
Reston	424,021	428,378	1.03
Springfield	416,853	428,503	2.79
Vienna	686,293	698,974	1.85

for single family, townhouses and condominiums

The average assessed value of a  
single family home in Fairfax County  
for 2016 is \$632,507, up 1.69 percent

SOURCE: FAIRFAX COUNTY