



# Great Falls CONNECTION

Bell ringer Sara Hilgartner rings a bell as the names of the Great Falls residents who died on Sept. 11, 2001 are read by Andy Wilson, President, Friends of the Great Falls Freedom Memorial.

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## Frank Wolf to Speak at the Great Falls Senior Center Event

The Great Falls Senior Center has announced Frank Wolf, former U.S. Rep. who represented Virginia's 10<sup>th</sup> congressional district in the United States House of Representatives from January

1981 to his retirement in January 2015, as guest speaker for its Oct. 4 event; he was the state's longest serving congressman, serving for 34 straight years. Wolf is now a distinguished senior fellow for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Wilberforce Initiative and holds the Jerry and Susie Wilson Chair for Religious Freedom at Baylor University. His topic will be "defending Religious Liberty".

The Oct. 4 event will be held at the United Methodist Church, 10100 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and includes lunch. The event sponsor is

Seneca Hill Hospital Resort and Spa, located at 11415 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls, senecahillvet.com. Lunch is provided by Mookie's BBQ, 1141 Walker Road, Great Falls, mookiesbbq.com. Reservations are a must and can be made by contacting Polly Fitzgerald at pollyfitz1@verizon.net or calling 703-759-4345. Visit gfseniors.org.

## Comstock Announces

## Deadline For Services Academy Application

Rep. Barbara Comstock (R-10) announced that the deadline for students interested in applying for a nomination by the 10th District Service Academy Advisory Board to one of the nation's military academies for the Class of 2021 is 5 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 1 in her

Sterling district office.

"I look forward to meeting the next generation of our country's leaders who will go on to join their peers in advancing a stronger America," said Congresswoman Comstock. "I encourage everyone in Virginia's 10th Congressional District who aspires to be a part of the Class of 2021 to apply for a Service Academy nomination."

Applications can be mailed or hand delivered to Comstock's Sterling office at 21430 Cedar Drive, Suite 218, Sterling, Virginia 20164. Interested students can request an Academy Nomination Application from Comstock's Web site at <https://comstock.house.gov/services/military-academy-nominations>. The selection process is strictly a competitive one.

For more information about the congressional nominating process, contact Mary Ann Cannon in Comstock's Sterling office at 703-404-6903, or go to <https://comstock.house.gov/> and click on Military Academy Nominations under the Services section.

## 'Concert Across America to End Gun Violence' at Tysons Biergarten

A coalition of gun violence prevention organizations in the DC/Northern Virginia area have announced participation in the national "Concert Across America to End Gun Violence" on Sunday, Sept. 25.

Music will unite the country as artists from coast to coast rise up in concert to remember the victims of America's gun violence. The region will join the event from 5-8 p.m. at the Tysons Biergarten, 8346 Leesburg Pike, just steps from the Greensboro Metro stop. Local and regional artists will perform. Confirmed artists include The Harried Americans, The Glimpses, singer/songwriter Tim White, The Rockits and the youthful voices of Know1Else, with more artists being added.

Local sponsors include Concerned Citizens Against Gun Violence, Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence (NoVA Chapter), Reston Herndon Alliance to End Gun Violence and Virginia Gun Violence Prevention Coalition.

Free to all. Cash bar and food—craft beer and pretzels. Rain or Shine. The concert site is child and pet-on-leash friendly (pets outdoors only).

Visit [ConcertAcrossAmerica.org](http://ConcertAcrossAmerica.org) for information on this and other local concerts.



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The audience holds lighted candles during the 9-11 Memorial Ceremony in Great Falls.



About 50 members of the audience say a prayer during the 9-11 Memorial Ceremony in Great Falls.

## Great Falls Remembers 9-11

### 9-11 Memorial Ceremony held at Great Falls Freedom Memorial.

**O**n the 15th anniversary of Sept. 11, 2001, the annual 9-11 Memorial Ceremony was held at the Great Falls Freedom Memorial behind the Great Falls Library on Georgetown Pike on Sunday, Sept. 11.

The memorial was built in 2004 to honor these six Great Falls residents who perished when Flight 77 crashed into the Pentagon: 1st Lt. Richard P. Gabriel, USMC Retired; Ann C. Judge; Barbara K. Olson; Lisa J. Raines; Diane M. Simmons and George W. Simmons.

The candle-lighting ceremony was organized by Andy Wilson, President of the Friends of the Great Falls Freedom Memorial. It included an Invocation and Benediction by the Rev. Eva Steege of Christ the King Lutheran Church; music by Linda Sill, the Pledge of Allegiance and raising of the flags by members of Boy Scout Troop 55 of Great Falls; and Keynote Speaker Chuck Rosenberg, Acting Director of the Drug Enforcement Administration. Wilson also read the names of the six Great Falls residents who perished on that day, accompanied by bell ringer Sara Hilgartner.

Recalling that day 15 years ago, Andy Wilson said: "I thought the world was com-



Boy Scout Troop 55 member Daniel Reuss lights candles during the annual 9-11 Memorial Ceremony held at the Great Falls Freedom Memorial on Sunday, Sept. 11.



**Keynote Speaker Chuck Rosenberg, Acting Director of the Drug Enforcement Administration.**



**The Rev. Eva Steege of Christ the King Lutheran Church.**



**Singer Linda Sill with Andy Wilson in the background.**

PHOTOS BY STEVE HIBBARD/THE CONNECTION

Keynote Speaker Chuck Rosenberg said in 2001, for most Americans, terrorism was something very abstract and very distant. "It existed, but it wasn't something in our conscience," he said.

He talked about United Airlines Flight 93 in Somerset, Pa., when at 9:57 a.m., the brave passengers voted and took it upon themselves, to try to wrest control of that

plane from the hijackers.

"We know that a very ordinary group of men and women did an extraordinary thing, and at the cost of their own lives, they forced that plane down," he said. "Every man and woman on that flight was a hero; they may have taken different roles but they acted in concert to save hundreds and perhaps thousands of lives at the U.S. Capitol."

Honored guests in attendance included: U.S. Rep. Barbara Comstock (R-10), State Sen. Barbara Favola (D-31); Dranesville District Supervisor John Foust; Lt. Governor of Virginia Ralph Northam and a few first responders.

Singer Linda Sill of Sterling, led in the singing of the "The National Anthem," "Amazing Grace," "God Bless America" and "America the Beautiful."

— STEVE HIBBARD

ing to an end. It was very scary times. The events that day started a war that 15 years later we're still involved in. We're here to

remember the nearly 3,000 people who died on 9-11 and those Great Falls residents who also died."



## NEWS

Members of the Great Falls Friends and Neighbors (GFFN) and the GFFN Scholarship boards pose with some of the recipients of the 2016-2017 scholarships at the Kick-Off club year luncheon. From left — back row: Ricki Harvey, publicity director GFFNSF, Asra Amin, recipient, Candice Bovee, VP GFFNSF, Laura Bumpus, director of scholarships, GFFNSF, Jean Macneal, secretary, GFFNSF. Front row: Hela Baer, Lucy Spring, and Regina Bell, scholarship award winners. Seated: Teresa Nasif, president GFFN.



PHOTOS BY ANDREA WORKER/THE CONNECTION



Lucy Spring had best get used to standing for applause. Taking her bow at the Great Falls Friends and Neighbors luncheon, the GMU student is the recipient of the Betty Carter Scholarship for Dance.

# Great Falls Friends and Neighbors Award Scholarships

BY ANDREA WORKER  
THE CONNECTION

Eight local young women are getting some much appreciated assistance toward achieving their educational goals, thanks to the efforts of the Great Falls Friends and Neighbors Scholarship Fund, Inc. “Actually, it’s more than just a boost for their educational endeavours,” said Ricki Harvey, past president of the fund, who now serves as the Publicity Director for GFFNSF. “We’ve had past recipients of scholarships come back to us and tell us how getting that degree changed their lives, in some cases helping them escape from abusive situations and

enabling them to make new and stable lives for themselves and their families.”

The fund was founded in 1983. It is now a 501 (c)(3) non profit, designed to provide financial aid to women pursuing degrees in higher education. Administered by a 7-member board, in 2016 the GFFNSF established endowments at George Mason University (GMU) and Northern Virginia Community College (NVCC) for \$25,000 each, ensuring perpetuity of monies donated by GFFN members. In recent years, they have been able to provide annual academic awards to six women over the age of 25 who attend either GMU or NVCC, as well as one award for a George Mason Dance student in the name of Betty Carter, a co-

founder of the Great Falls women’s group. Thanks to the intensity of their fundraising efforts this year – with \$25,000 raised at a Fashion Show in partnership with Bloomingdales of Tysons Corner, and another \$5k internally through the GFFN Bridge Players group – there was enough money to add a seventh deserving academic recipient to the “honor roll.”

The Scholarship Fund made a formal presentation to those students who could attend the GFFN club year “Kick-Off Luncheon” on Sept. 9 at the Riverbend Golf and Country Club in Great Falls. The GFFN is the original “parent” organization of the Scholarship Fund, and is the result of the 2011 merger between the Great Falls

Women’s Club and the Great Falls Newcomers Club. This year, their combined strengths made life just a little easier for the following young women:

**Asra Amin** – A graduate student working to become a nurse practitioner while supporting herself and her family of six.

**Hela Baer** – A second-time GFFNSF recipient majoring in Conflict Analysis and Resolution. A year ago, Baer was working 3 jobs and taking a full academic course load. This year, her second award will lighten her load.

**Regina Bell** – Enrolled in George Mason’s Accelerated Second Degree BS in

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## Scholarships

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Nursing program, with the ultimate goal of becoming a nurse practitioner in a community health clinic.

**Lea Lines** – Pursuing a nursing degree, Lines still earned 3.88gpa and was still a fully involved mom, teaching Sunday school and attending a rigorous nursing program this past year.

**Noushin Nourslehi** – This award will allow Nourslehi, who graduated from a medical school in Iran, to become a fulltime student this year while she studies to achieve her goal of becoming a dentist.

**Rebecca Postol** - A single mom who graduated Summa Cum Laude from the University of South Carolina with a degree in Biology, she is also working toward becoming a nurse practitioner. Postol has done volunteer work, including a stint in Honduras with the humanitarian group “Shoulder to Shoulder,” and with a neonatal intensive care unit and at a free clinic helping Spanish-speaking patients.

**Leidy Rubio** – receiving the Northern Virginia Community College Scholarship.

**Lucy Spring** – Recipient of the Betty Carter Scholarship for Dance, Spring is either always taking arts and academic classes, rehearsing, or teaching dance to “help pay the bills.”

Amin, Baer, Bell, Postol and Spring were able to attend the function and receive their

official certificates, and the warm congratulations of the Scholarship Fund and the assembled members of the GFFN club.

“I really don’t know how I got picked,” admitted Spring, who received the Betty Carter scholarship for a student majoring in dance. “But I know it will really help.” Spring is entering her last year of formal education and will soon be facing the daunting task of continuously auditioning for her next “temporary job.” “But, with help like this, I’m ready for it,” she said.

Postol was equally appreciative of the honor and the financial assistance. “I’ve had a lot of support [as a single mom of a five-year-old] from my family, and now this. This scholarship makes some of the burden a little lighter.”

The students, the scholarship board and the members of the Great Falls Friends and Neighbors enjoyed a delicious lunch and were delighted to welcome keynote speaker Arvind Manocha, President and CEO of neighboring Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts. Before the event came to an end, plans were already being made to continue the fundraising efforts for their ongoing philanthropic concerns. GFFN president Teresa Nasif and her squad probably didn’t let anyone leave without the purchase of one – or maybe more – raffle tickets in support of their charitable causes. To learn more about the Scholarship Fund or to donate, follow them on Facebook, and check out their website at [www.gffnsa.org](http://www.gffnsa.org).



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# OPINION

## History: Protests Required to Advance Justice

Local story: Protest, arrests, brutal treatment, torture of advocates for vote for women.

Democracy without our Bill of Rights could amount to mob rule. The Bill of Rights, a visionary document made up of the first 10 amendments to the U.S. Constitution, is reprinted on our website; it's under 500 words; it takes just a few minutes to read.

In the United States, the Constitution and the Bill of Rights offer many protections of freedom and equality. But actually extending that protection and freedom to all has often required individual action and sacrifice, protest, demonstration and nonviolent civil disobedience.

That doesn't make every demonstration and every protest virtuous, but even when protest is not to our tastes, we should appreciate that we live in a country where the right to do so is protected.

Even something as basic as the right of women to vote only came about because of persistent, unpopular protests organized by a militant group, individual action, sacrifice and courage in the face of brutality and repression from existing authority.

The story of how women got the vote, that is to say how half the population of the United States escaped being disenfranchised, is a local story, and so appropriate to tell in the Connection.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Why Comstock?

To the Editor:

The one note campaign of LuAnn Bennett, heard all around the town of McLean and the 10th congressional district seems to be that she doesn't like Donald Trump. Join the crowd. Few do, but so many don't like Hillary Clinton either. This is a horrid Presidential race with poor choices all around. People are going to decide what they want to do about that race without any help from LuAnn Bennett or any other campaign or individual. It's that simple. When voters choose candidates for Congress in McLean—it shouldn't be about either of these dreadful choices for President—but about the two candidates running for the job. LuAnn Bennett has made clear her "Johnny-one-note" campaign is not about issues. That's not surprising. She hasn't lived in McLean for most of the past decade. She talks about the 10th district, but has much more in common with the 8th district (where I happen to live by a few blocks in McLean)...one that her former husband, Jim Moran, the former left-wing Democrat congressman who represented Alexandria and Arlington, held. Bennett was married to former

Congressman Jim Moran from the 8th District and then lived in Washington, D.C., after being done with him.

You won't find that on her Facebook page.

Yet, Congresswoman Barbara Comstock has always been her own woman and a woman of significant personal and legislative accomplishments. She has served the 10th District and McLean with honor. Her work in the Virginia

General Assembly was also special. Check out her website. See all she has done. It is amazing. She has been a leader for our region on stopping the defense sequester cuts; passing a 5 year transportation bill; cutting our personal, small business and research and development taxes. She is leader on technology and now serves as a Chairwoman of the Research and Technology Subcommittee in Congress. She has long been a leader passing

legislation to stop human trafficking and now has become a champion for those who are battling addictions like heroin – helping pass the landmark legislation just signed into law. She also has the support of every business group – the Chamber, small business groups, Realtors, Credit Unions and contractors and oth-

### EDITORIAL

Alice Paul, "one of the most notorious women in America, was the chairman of the National Woman's Party, a small and militant suffrage offshoot of the mainstream National American Woman Suffrage Association," wrote Catherine J. Lanctot, professor of law at Villanova, in "The Suffrage Pickets and Freedom of Speech During World War I."

In January 1917, Paul, Lucy Burns and other activists organized a relentless public protest outside the White House over President Woodrow Wilson's refusal to support the vote for women.

"By the fall of 1917, more than a hundred women had been arrested and imprisoned on charges of obstructing traffic and unlawful assembly, ostensibly because they attracted large and often hostile crowds to witness their demonstrations. ... Suffrage pickets found themselves at the center of increasingly violent confrontations with angry crowds and hostile law enforcement authorities. ...

"The judge assigned to their cases seemed perplexed by their stubbornness, patiently lecturing the women on world conditions, and explaining: "We are at war, and you should not bother the President," before sending them to

serve their sentence at the Occoquan Workhouse in Lorton, Virginia. This strategy backfired badly in mid-July, 1917, with a firestorm of controversy over the incarceration of several socially prominent women and the intervention of liberal lawyers who previously had been allied with Wilson. ...

"Wealthy women serving time in a workhouse brought extensive media attention."

In fact, protest by women of privilege made a critical difference.

Conditions in the workhouse were brutal and filthy; women were beaten and tortured by force feeding during hunger strikes.

The 19th Amendment was ratified on Aug. 26, 1920: "The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex."

Edith Mayo, curator emeritus of political and women's history at the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History, put the history in context at a recent event: "I think one of the things we're trying to get across is one has to be vigilant about voting rights. The voter suppression of recent years has concerned a lot of Americans. It took such guts and determination for all these groups except for white men to get the right to vote that any slipping backward and trying to suppress the right to vote is a grave concern."

— MARY KIMM

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ers. It's no wonder the serious Democrats couldn't get anyone who was living in Virginia's 10th to run against Congresswoman Comstock. Nancy Pelosi imported her opponent from the Ritz Carlton in D.C. and tore her away from her D.C. based business. Now it's clear that LuAnn Bennett doesn't want to run against Barbara Comstock either and is instead going to run a one note, negative campaign devoid of substance.

Padraic Buckley  
McLean

#### Vote 'Yes' on Meals Tax

To the Editor:

I am writing to encourage a "Yes" vote on the Fairfax County Meals Tax.

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All of the neighboring counties in our region have a meals tax. Fairfax teachers are paid less, and Fairfax County Public Schools have larger class sizes than these other counties. If we fail to pass the tax, our schools are likely to lose most music, art, and sports programs, along with many AP classes.

My children's best teachers are leaving the county, and more are likely to do so, if we can't shore up our schools.

There is extensive documentation of all of this information at YesMealsTax.org. I strongly urge your support of this critical initiative. Please visit the website to engage with the campaign as I have done. They welcome your questions, and need your donations and support.

Debra Louison-Lavoy  
McLean

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## NEWS



### Karen Roll Exhibits at Katie's Coffee House

Through the month of September the Great Falls artist Karen Roll will be exhibiting "Reflections of Nature," landscapes in oil, at Katie's Coffee House, 760 Walker Road, Great Falls.

#### BULLETIN BOARD

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#### THURSDAY/SEPT. 15

**Fairfax County Public Meeting FY 2018 Transportation Alternative Projects** The meeting starts at 7 p.m. at the Fairfax County Department of Transportation, 4050 Legato Road, Suite 400, Fairfax, VA 22033. At the meeting, county staff will make presentation about the program, followed by a question-and-answer session. The purpose of the meeting is to solicit comments on the proposed FY 2018 Transportation Alternative Projects. Such as on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other non-motorized forms of transportation, safe routes for non-drivers, Construction of turnouts, overlooks, and viewing

#### SUNDAY/SEPT. 25

**McLean Area AAUW Open House.** McLean Area Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) will hold an open house at 2 p.m. at the McLean Community Center. The public is invited. Winners of the scholarships to Trinity, Marymount, and George Mason universities will be introduced, as well as the high school science fair female awardee. The scholarships are funded through part of the proceeds of the annual AAUW Used Book Fair Sept. 16-18. All the activities and projects of the branch will be featured as well.

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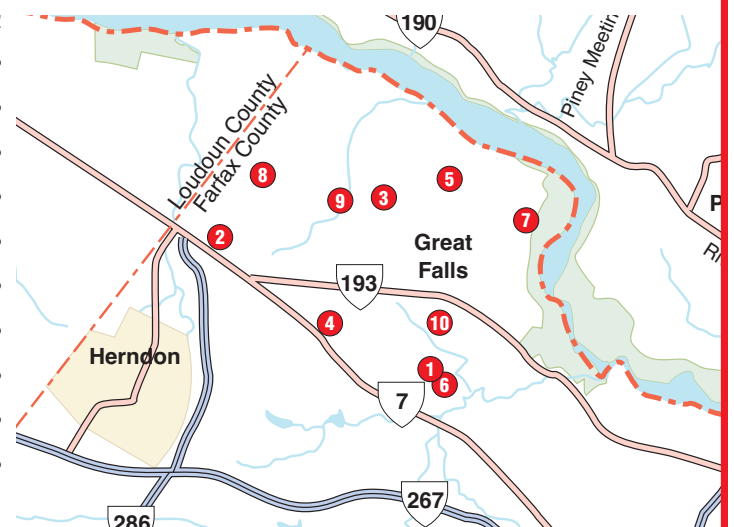
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<b>4</b> 1092 GREAT PASSAGE BLVD .....	5	..	5	..	1	...	GREAT FALLS	..	\$1,500,000	....	Detached	....	0.86	.....	GREAT FALLS GLEN	.....	07/18/16
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<b>8</b> 658 NALLS FARM WAY .....	5	..	4	..	1	...	GREAT FALLS	..	\$1,140,000	....	Detached	....	2.00	.....	GREAT FALLS WEST	.....	07/29/16
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John Smith of Willem Smith FurnitureWorks shows examples of leather used for the seating he creates.



PHOTO BY MARILYN CAMPBELL

## Comfort Zone

Local furniture maker combines style and comfort

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL  
THE CONNECTION

John W. Smith treks through a maze of sleek chairs and stately sofas in a large, sunlit showroom tucked in an industrial warehouse center in Fairfax. He pauses at dining chair, upholstered in beige linen and framed with espresso hardwood.

"Feel how smooth that is," he said, running his fingers along the wooden edge of the seat. "If you're at a sitting at the table for three, there's no sharp edge against the back of your calves."

Dubbed the "three-hour dinner party" chair, the Etesian is part of the Willem Smith Furnitureworks collection. Pieces ranging from the brown, leather San Luis, a streamlined version of a traditional wing chair, to the Francisco Metro Swivel, a petite recliner, to the Canapé sofa, fill the showroom.

"The comfort of the pieces sells them, but it doesn't look like big, over-stuffed furniture," said interior designer Lowell Wade of Interior Motives in Alexandria.

Like many furniture makers, Smith strives to marry style and comfort. He's taken that commitment to a new level, however, creating and patenting his own seating mechanism to ensure comfort. Named piErgonom, it's a device that attaches the seat back to the seat cushion, preventing slippage and offering back support. Beauty and style matter to Smith, but in his liberal view of aesthetics, beauty springs from not only the physical appeal, but also the way a piece feels and functions.

"Comfort is the final element that determines

whether the chair or sofa is a success," said Smith, a Great Falls father of four teenage daughters. "We sweat all of the details and are completely consumed by making all of our seating more comfortable."

Smith says that he is committed to minimizing his company's impact on the environment. His practices include using non-endangered hardwoods. All of the springs incorporated into the cushions of his seats are made from recycled steel. Most of the furniture and fabrics used are made in the United States. Buyers can choose from a range of textiles and finishes, including leathers and fabrics, which are displayed in the showroom.

Born and raised on a farm in Ontario, Canada, Smith left a career in banking to spend more time with his then-young family. He also itched to find creativity in his life. His pieces, which not only include seating, but also tables, cabinets and other wood works, are a blend of contemporary lines and classic styles.

Smith credits a talented team of what he calls "style leaders" with the aesthetics of his goods. "I have no illusions that I'm Yves St. Laurent and I wouldn't pretend to have an affinity for style," he said. "There is a difference between design and style. Design is the engineering, construction, materials and performance, and that's my focus."

Before hitting the market, for example, each piece undergoes a careful inspection by Smith and his business partner John "JB" Behrens.

"We know all of our pieces intimately," said Behrens. "The designs essentially come out of a collaborative process. We think about furniture logically



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John Smith uses his firm's Caballero chair in his Great Falls home.

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# HomeLifeStyle Comfort Zone

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and practically and we obsess over comfort."

"We focus a lot on scale and proportion and how that relates to a furniture buying decision," he continued. "When we have a chair, for example, John and I look at it together, think about what works, what doesn't, what things bother us, how can we figure out a solution to turn problems into positives."

A combination of versatility and comfort drew Potomac, Md.-based interior designer Anne Walker of Anne Walker Design to Willem Smith furniture during a recent home redesign. "All of their pieces are incredibly beautiful. They combine this very clever combination of Old World and classic style with innovation," said Walker. "The greatest strength is the comfort of their pieces. They take painstaking details. You can tell the first time you sit on one of their products that they are extremely comfortable."

Smith's wife, Mary, helps with marketing and other tasks. "The clear differentiator for the furniture is the attention to comfort and functionality," she said. "There is a lot of furniture out there that may look good, but isn't functional. A lot of the public doesn't realize it. That's the fun of the marketing piece: educating others about this great

solution for people. Like before there was Starbucks people didn't realize they were drinking bad coffee all the time."

This attention to detail attracts clients ranging from furniture-seeking homeowners to interior designers on a mission to create a showplace.

"Their furniture has a bespoke quality and an incomparable level of comfort," said Joseph Van Goethem of Joseph Van Goethem Interior Design in McLean. "I believe Willem Smith is the epitome of authenticity and timelessness." Even better, he added, "when I first took a client to Willem Smith, there was no smothering my client, no sales pitch. When your furniture is that good, there's no need to sell it."

They may not hover, but they are there to help. Michelle Mock, an Annandale homeowner, first visited the Willem Smith showroom earlier this year after renovating her kitchen. She chose a dining table, dining chairs and bar stools to complete the space. "JB and John ... helped me pick style, scale, color and design that enhanced my space and really pulled it together beautifully. I invested significantly into the renovation and I really wanted the space to come together, flow, and serve as a welcoming, bright and calm social space."

Locally, Peet's Coffee & Tea selected Willem Smith's Rio Java chair for the lounge area of its coffee shops.

## What's Permissible When Planning a Home Renovation?

Complete due diligence upfront to research any ordinances or restrictions that may affect the project.

BY JOSH BAKER

Unfortunately, homeowners and contractors often forget important steps during this project feasibility phase, which sometimes leads to wasted time and money or abandoned projects. To ensure you sidestep those mistakes, start with this checklist to look into to help minimize setbacks while planning and executing your next renovation.



plications prepared. Many counties now allow these forms to be submitted electronically.

### Department of Environmental Safety

You will also need to contact your local health department or department of environmental safety for water and septic tank restrictions or conflicts. There are many water and sewer construction requirements that have to be adhered to by the contractor and homeowner. Long delays can arise during your permitting process if this part of the planning phase is neglected.

### Homeowner's Association

Call your homeowner's association (HOA), condo association or equivalent, to see if there are any requirements or restrictions. HOAs can stop you from using certain materials or building on cer-

### Local Jurisdiction/County

First, call your local county government to find out if there are any site restrictions or requirements for your home or property.

Propose your plan to the county before you start and get their feedback on any setbacks before moving forward. Ask them about any potential zoning ordinances as well. Also, check with the county to get building permits and land disturbance ap-

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## SPORTS

# Winning Silver in South Africa

**Omeed Mossadeghi of Great Falls, a Langley High student, comes home with Silver in World Championship.**

**O**meed Mossadeghi of Great Falls, a Langley High student, Mossadeghi, has recently returned from third Annual International Shotokan Karate Federation (ISKF) Tournament in Cape Town, South Africa 2016. He represented team USA. There were 30 countries that came to compete and Mossadeghi competed in 16-

17 age group. He won the silver medal in sparring and came home as a world champion.

Mossadeghi advanced through many levels of karate, achieving his 2nd degree black belt in 2013. After that accomplishment, Mossadeghi began to participate in tournaments. He has participated all along the east coast, traveling to numerous cities including



**Omeed Mossadeghi with his mother Sholeh Shirazi Mossadeghi.**



PHOTOS CONTRIBUTED

**Omeed Mossadeghi in action.**

New York, Philadelphia, and Williamsburg. "When I first started doing tournaments, I was nervous, but now I don't get nervous anymore," said Mossadeghi.

Mossadeghi advanced to the competition in South Africa after winning the gold medal in sparring for the 14-17 age group at age 15 at the ISKF East Coast Tournament. The competition was held in Chester City, Pa. and it was the second consecutive year Mossadeghi won the ISKF East Coast Regional title. "Omeed is always calm and friendly, but it's

interesting to watch his whole persona change as he enters the ring," said his mother, Sholeh Shirazi Mossadeghi. Omeed has been participating in karate since he was six years old. Ever since he saw the flyers advertising the sport in an athletic center, he knew that karate was the sport for him, and joined the Fairfax Shotokan Karate Club. "It used to just be a hobby, but now it's more of a sport; almost like a lifestyle," he reflected.

Mossadeghi attributes his success to his sensei, Mohammad Gharavi, his mentor, Pedram

Rastegar and his mother's dedication for taking him to class for the past 10 years.

Mossadeghi trains rigorously three times a week at his dojo. Not only does he train under his sensei and work hard to perfect his own skill, but he also helps train the younger generation of students, acting as Gharavi's assistant.

Mossadeghi has learned many life skills from karate. "Karate is very disciplined so when I need discipline that comes in handy," he says - as reported by Benjamin Howlett, "Saxon Scope."

## Due Diligence

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tain parts of the home. Additionally, HOAs sometimes require a review of your plans before you start the building process. These restrictions typically come written in covenants and, in most cases, are reviewed with prospective buyers before a purchase. To make sure you have the current information to share with your builder and get your project started on the right foot, it's always best to engage your association early in the process.

### Check with Local Historic Boards

Do you know if your property is in or near a historic area? If there is any question, call your local historic review board or registries to double-check. Some requirements from historic boards are extremely specific and involve special atten-

tion and advance planning. For example, we have seen instances where a board has only allowed the use of one specific brick on a home addition. Make sure you know what your requirements are, so you can plan in advance and avoid a battle and costly changes later.

With so many requirements for designing, building, budgeting and engineering it can be easy to overlook certain steps. Always make sure you hire an advocate that knows how to manage the many aspects of your renovation from start to finish, so that your project runs as smoothly as possible.

*Josh Baker of Great Falls is the founder and co-chairman of BOWA, an award-winning design and construction company. BOWA has more than 28 years of experience and has earned nearly 200 awards, including being named National Remodeler of the Year by Professional Remodeler magazine. Visit [www.bowa.com](http://www.bowa.com) or call 703-734-9050.*

## FAITH NOTES

*Faith Notes are for announcements and events in the faith community. Send to [vienna@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:vienna@connectionnewspapers.com). Deadline is Friday at noon.*

**St. Thomas' Episcopal Church** at the intersection of Lewinsville and Brook Roads in McLean, just a mile west of Tysons, invites you for a casual Saturday Service at 5 p.m., followed by conversation and fellowship or for Sunday Services at 8 a.m. or 10 a.m. Sunday School for Youth and Children takes place during the 10 a.m. Service. Look for our Pumpkin Patch this October, and check [www.stthomasmcleanva.org](http://www.stthomasmcleanva.org) for Special Events and Services through the year. St. Thomas' Episcopal Church, 8991 Brook Road, McLean, 703-442-0330.

**Church of the Holy Comforter**, 543 Beulah Road, NE, Vienna offers a monthly

Healing Eucharist with the Laying on of Hands and Anointing for Healing (first Sunday of the month, 5 p.m. at St. Mary's Chapel. The Healing Ministry is led by the Rev. Valerie Hayes and Alexandra MacCracken and includes a team of lay healers who have gone through intentional training and formation. Questions? Please contact the Rev. Valerie Hayes at [vhayes@holycorforter.com](mailto:vhayes@holycorforter.com).

**Yoga Class with a Christian Focus** is held Saturdays, 3:00-4:00 p.m., McGill Hall or the Library at the Church of the Holy Comforter, 543 Beulah Road, NE, Vienna. This group is suitable for those with beginner and/or intermediate yoga experience. Dress comfortably and bring a mat. Feel free to bring a towel, block(s) or strap if you have them. Questions? Please contact the Church Office at 703-938-6521.

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The Rappahannock Tribe from Indian Neck, Va., plays drums in a circle.



The women from the Rappahannock Tribe from Indian Neck, Va. do a sacred dance.

## Virginia Indian Festival Held at Riverbend Park in Great Falls

**R**iverbend Park in Great Falls held its 19th annual Virginia Indian Festival on Saturday, Sept. 10. The day included performances by Rappahannock Indian dancers, storytelling by Rose Powhatan, and native animals of Virginia. There were hands-on activities and demonstrations of a dug-out canoe, ancient technology, archery and spear throwing, flint knapping and hide tanning, as well as ancient technology experts with hands-on demonstrations.

"We started doing it here because there are more Native American archaeological sites here than anywhere else in Fairfax County, so we wanted to do it as

an educational event and a celebration of Virginia tribes," said Marty Smith, retired Park Manager for Riverbend Park and event co-coordinator.

He added: "Kids can learn how to make arrowheads, ax heads, and tan animal hides with brains. They can learn how to make fires with a bow drill. They can visit the home of an 'Yahaegan,' what Virginia native people call a 'long house' — that's an authentic home from the Indian days."

With the event positioned right next to the river, he said people have commented that the festival "feels very spiritual."

— STEVE HIBBARD



Jacob Fortune of the Rappahannock Tribe from Indian Neck, Va., leads the crowd in the Snake Dance at Riverbend Park in Great Falls on Saturday, Sept. 10 during the Virginia Indian Festival.



Luke Elena of Great Falls tries his luck with a bow and arrow with the help from Christopher Kopsick.

(From left to right) Skylar Tilley of the Rappahannock Tribe with Enrique Fernandez of Peru, and Leah Fortune.



(From left) Nathan Fay of Alexandria, Antonio Benevides of Springfield, Jacob Fortune of the Rappahannock Tribe, and Allie Benevides of Springfield.



# CALENDAR

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## ONGOING

### Great Falls Farmers Market.

Saturdays, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 778 Walker Road Great Falls. <http://greatfallsfarmersmarket.org/>

**Cirque du Soleil "Kurios."** July 21 to Sept. 18. Tysons II, The Lerner Town Center, 8025 Galleria Drive, Tysons Corner. \$39-\$170. 1-877-924-7783. [cirquedusoleil.com/kurios](http://cirquedusoleil.com/kurios).

### Lobby Hero 1st Stage Tysons Sept.

8 - Oct. 9 Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., Fridays at 8 p.m., Saturdays at 2 and 8 p.m., and Sundays at 2 p.m. 1<sup>st</sup> Stage in Tysons, 1524 Spring Hill Road, Tysons Corner. What does it truly mean to be a hero? While struggling with a world of conflicting truths, the characters grapple with their own realities and those of the people around them. [www.1ststageTysons.org](http://www.1ststageTysons.org) or 703-854-1856.

### Karen Roll Exhibit at Katie's

**Coffee House.** Begins Sept. 1 through Sept. 30 760 Walker Road Great Falls, VA. Oil painter, Karen Roll, will show her exhibit of landscape paintings titled "Reflections of Nature." [kvroll@cox.net](mailto:kvroll@cox.net) / [www.karenroll.com](http://www.karenroll.com)

### September Photography

**Showcase.** Saturday Sept. 3 through 29 Broadway Gallery Fine Art and Custom Framing 1025-J Seneca Road Great Falls, VA 22066 both the Great Falls Alexandria galleries are featuring photographic works by Fred Eberhart, Geoff Livingston, and more. 703-450-8005 [jacinta@broadwaygalleries.net](mailto:jacinta@broadwaygalleries.net) [www.broadwaygallery.net](http://www.broadwaygallery.net)

### Art Walk in the Village: First

**Fridays** beginning Sept. 9, 6 - 9 p.m. through Dec.31 at 756 Walker Road, Great Falls, VA. Admission free and open to the public. Visit: <http://www.greatfallsart.org/artwalk/>

### ValeArts Fall Show "Artful

**Aspirations"** Sept 30 through Oct. 2 at 10 a.m. - 9 p.m. Friday 10 a.m. 6 p.m. Saturday & Sunday at the Vale Schoolhouse 3124 Fox Mill Rd. ValeArts welcomes Reston artist Betsey Mulloy to the fall show "Artful Aspirations". Contact: Diana Eichler or visit [valearts.com](http://valearts.com)

## WEDNESDAY/SEPT. 14

### Teddy Bear Band Jammin' Juniors

Free Concert 12:30 p.m. McLean Central Park, 1468 Dolley Madison Blvd. Teddy Bear Band is a real band that helps children gain a positive sense of self and an appreciation of their own abilities. Participation and interaction are cornerstones of the band's musical shows. Visit: <http://www.mcleancenter.org/>

## THURSDAY/SEPT. 15

### Seniors Learn 10 - 2 p.m. Open house

and the following eight weeks of Thursday classes will be at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Fairfax, 2709 Hunter Mill Road, Program Building, Oakton. Sunrise at Hunter Mill provides refreshments. Classes begin September 22nd and run through November 10th from 9 - 2 p.m. There is a \$40 registration fee for the semester. Program administered by Shepherd's Center of Oakton Vienna. Full lineup of classes will be available by the end of August on our website, [www.scov.org](http://www.scov.org) or call (702)281-0538.

### History of the Military-Industrial

**Complex** 7:30 p.m. at Neighbor's Restaurant, 262D Cedar Lane, Cedar Lane Shopping Center, Vienna, Virginia. Molly Sinclair McCarthey, co-author of "America's War Machine: Vested Interest, Endless Conflicts", will discuss the history of the military-industrial complex and its potential impact on future American foreign policy. She is a



"Big Red Horse" Oil, by Leslie Anthony

## 'Straight Off the Farm' Exhibit Opens at Triny's Tex Mex Grill

A colorful exhibit "Straight Off the Farm" has just gone up at Triny's Tex Mex Grill in the Great Falls Shopping Center. Leslie Anthony, local artist and member of Great Falls Studios, has bought her horses, hounds, roosters, cows and various other critters plus some flowers from the farm garden to brighten up your day. The exhibition will run until Oct. 14

thirty year newspaper journalist with emphasis on national security issues. The general public, teachers, and all veterans are invited. Admission is free. For information, call Len Ignatowski at 703-255-0353 or visit the web page at [www.vva227.org](http://www.vva227.org).

## FRIDAY/SEPT. 16

### The Old Firehouse AMC Double

**Feature 3:30-10 p.m.** 1440 Chain Bridge Road McLean, VA 22101. Teens can enjoy an evening at the cinema with the Old Firehouse as they head to AMC Tysons Corner for movies. \$35/\$25 members. [www.mcleancenter.org/teens](http://www.mcleancenter.org/teens)

## SATURDAY/SEPT. 17

### 5K/10K Dulles Day on the

**Runway.** 7:30 a.m. 14390 Air and Space Museum Pkwy., Chantilly. All race proceeds benefit Special Olympics Virginia, the Committee for Dulles Community Outreach and Washington Airports Task Force. [www.planepull.com/View/Page/5K](http://www.planepull.com/View/Page/5K).

### Dulles Day Plane Pull.

10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Dulles International Airport. Teams of 25 are pitted against one another to see who can pull a 164,000+ pound Airbus 12 feet the fastest in Special Olympics Virginia's "heaviest" fundraiser. Visit [www.planepull.com](http://www.planepull.com).

### Fall Bonsai Show and Auction

Saturday-Sunday/Sept. 17-18 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. September 17 and 18 Meadowlark Gardens Ct, Vienna, VA 22182. Auction of trees and related items in the Meadowlark Laurel Pavilion September 18. Cost: Free. [nvbs.us](http://nvbs.us) for club info and the PBA site for association info [www.potomacbonsai.com](http://www.potomacbonsai.com). Contact: Gary Reese at [Info@nvbs.us](mailto:Info@nvbs.us)

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5157.

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### Day of Free Dental Care Hosted by

**Vienna Smiles** 7:30 - 5 p.m. 2553 Chain Bridge Road, Vienna, VA 22181. First come first serve. The Smiles Team, comprised of offices in Vienna, Fairfax, Arlington, and now, The Plains, VA. "This event is very important to us, as it's one of our many ways of giving back to our wonderful community. 703-790-1953 [rripps@mpaart.org](mailto:rripps@mpaart.org)

## WEDNESDAY/SEPT. 21

### Washington D.C. Career Fair &

**Job Fair** 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at Embassy Suites Hotel- Tysons Corner 8517 Leesburg Pike Vienna, VA 22182. Meet, sit down and interview with Fortune 500 employers at Washington D.C.'s Premiere Sales & Professional Career Fairs. Professional dress suit & tie or business suit. Bring plenty of resumes.

## FRIDAY/SEPT. 23

### Breakfast Near Tiffany's 8 - 10

**a.m.** 8045 Leesburg Pike Vienna. Tysons Regional Chamber of Commerce Women's Leadership Council for breakfast at Chef Geoff's and learn fashion tips from the owner of Style Edit. After breakfast, we'll go to Tiffany & Co. for a chance to win a \$300 giveaway. Cost: \$50 for TRCC chamber members/\$55.00 for non-members. To register visit: [tysonschamber.org](http://tysonschamber.org)

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

AT&T proposes to modify an existing facility (new tip heights 171' & 177') on the building at 1425 S Eads St, Arlington, VA (20160502). Interested parties may contact Scott Horn (856-809-1202) (1012 Industrial Dr., West Berlin, NJ 08091) with comments regarding potential effects on historic properties.

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Joseph M. Johnson, February 7, 1938

Passed away peacefully on September 2, 2016 after a long battle with colon cancer. He was husband to the late Yvonne L. Jonson, the father of ten, grandfather of nineteen and great-grandfather of eleven. Joe was most well known for being the "Shoe Doc," as Joe owned and operated his shoe repair shop in Bradlee Shopping Center for over fifty years. He served and was a friend to generations of Alexandrians. A celebration of his life will be held Sunday September 18th at the Atlantis Family Restaurant at 3648 King Street, Alexandria, VA 22302 from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

### ABC LICENSE

1st Stage Inc, trading as 1st Stage, 1524 Spring Hill Rd, Mclean, VA 22102. The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) for a Annual Mixed Beverage Special Event license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages. Alex Levy Managing Director NOTE: Objections to the issuance of this license must be submitted to ABC no later than 30 days from the publishing date of the first of two required newspaper legal notices. Objections should be registered at [www.abc.virginia.gov](http://www.abc.virginia.gov) or 800-552-3200.

The biggest things are always the easiest to do because there is no competition.  
-William Van Horne

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### NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT

1624, 1628, and 1630 HUNTER MILL ROAD

FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA

### SALE TO BE HELD AT THE FAIRFAX COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

SEPTEMBER 23, 2016, AT 10:00 A.M.

In execution of the Deed of Trust, Assignment of Rents, Security Agreement and Financing Statement dated November 21, 2006 and recorded among the land records of Fairfax County, Virginia on November 27, 2006 in Book 18934 at Page 621 (the "Deed of Trust"), now securing CATJEN LLC, a Virginia limited liability company (the "Noteholder"), default having occurred in the payment of the debt secured thereby, and being instructed to do so by the Noteholder, the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale the property described below at public auction in front of the main entrance to the Fairfax County Circuit Court, located at 4110 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, Virginia 22030 on September 23, 2016, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

The real property encumbered by the Deed of Trust that will be offered for sale by the Substitute Trustee is commonly known as (i) Mailing Address 1624 Hunter Mill Road, Vienna, Virginia, 22182; Tax Identification Number: 0183-03-0003A; (ii) Mailing Address 1628 Hunter Mill Road, Vienna, Virginia, 22182; Tax Identification Number: 0183-01-0004; and (iii) Mailing Address 1630 Hunter Mill Road, Vienna, Virginia, 22182; Tax Identification Number: 0183-01-0005, all located in Fairfax County, Virginia, and all as more particularly described in the Deed of Trust, and all improvements, fixtures, easements and appurtenances thereto (the "Real Property"). The Real Property will be sold together with the interest of the Noteholder, if any, secured by the lien of the Deed of Trust in any personal property described in the Deed of Trust, as permitted by Section 8.9A of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended (the "Personal Property"). The above described Real Property and Personal Property are collectively referred to as the "Property."

### TERMS OF SALE

ALL CASH. The Property will be offered for sale "AS IS, WHERE IS" and will be conveyed by the Substitute Trustee's Deed (the "Substitute Trustee's Deed") subject to all encumbrances, rights, reservations, conveyances, conditions, easements, restrictions, and all recorded and unrecorded liens, if any, having priority over the Deed of Trust, as they may lawfully affect the Property. The Personal Property (if any) shall be conveyed without warranty by a Secured Party Bill of Sale.

The Substitute Trustee and the Beneficiary disclaim all warranties of any kind, either express or implied for the Property, including without limitation, any warranty relating to the zoning, condition of the soil, extent of construction, materials, habitability, environmental condition, compliance with applicable laws, fitness for a particular purpose and merchantability. The risk of loss or damage to the Property shall be borne by the successful bidder from and after the date of the time of the sale. Obtaining possession of the Property shall be the sole responsibility of the successful bidder (the "Purchaser").

A bidder's deposit in the amount of the lesser of (i) ten percent (10%) of the bid price; or (ii) \$350,000.00 (the "Deposit") by certified or cashier's check payable to the order of the Substitute Trustee shall be required by the Substitute Trustee for such bid to be accepted. The Substitute Trustee reserves the right to prequalify any bidder prior to the sale and/or waive the requirement of the Deposit. Immediately after the sale, the Purchaser shall execute and deliver a memorandum of sale

with the Substitute Trustee, copies of which shall be available for inspection immediately prior to the sale, and shall deliver to the Substitute Trustee the Deposit and the memorandum of sale. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid by the Purchaser. Settlement shall occur within thirty (30) days after the sale date, TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE with regard to the Purchaser's obligation.

Settlement shall take place at the offices of Venable LLP, 8010 Towers Crescent Drive, Suite 300, Tysons Corner, Virginia 22182 or other mutually agreed location. Purchaser shall pay all past due real estate taxes, penalties and interest (including the pro rata portion of real estate taxes for the current year), rollback taxes, water rents, water permit renewal fees (if any) or other state, county or municipal liens, charges and assessments. Purchaser shall also pay all settlement fees, title examination charges, title charges and title insurance premiums, all recording costs (including the state grantor's tax, congestion relief fee and all state and county recordation fees, clerk's filing fees and transfer fees and taxes), auctioneer's fees and/or bid premiums (if any), reasonable trustee's fees, and reasonable attorneys' fees and disbursements incurred by the Substitute Trustee in the preparation of the deed of conveyance and other settlement documentation.

Purchaser shall be required to sign an agreement at settlement waiving any cause of action Purchaser may have against the Substitute Trustee, and/or the Beneficiary for any condition with respect to the Property that may not be in compliance with any applicable federal, state or local law, regulation or ruling including, without limitation, any law, regulation or ruling relating to environmental contamination or hazardous wastes. Such agreement shall also provide that if notwithstanding such agreement, a court of competent jurisdiction should permit such a claim to be made, such agreement shall serve as the overwhelming primary factor in any equitable apportionment of response costs or other liability. Nothing herein shall release, waive or preclude any claims Purchaser may have against any person in possession or control of the Property.

If Purchaser fails for any reason to complete settlement as provided above, the Deposit shall be forfeited and applied to the costs of the sale, including Trustee's fees, and the balance, if any, shall be delivered to the Beneficiary to be applied by the Beneficiary against the indebtedness secured by and other amounts due under the Deed of Trust in accordance with the Deed of Trust or applicable law or otherwise as the Beneficiary shall elect. There shall be no refunds. Such forfeiture shall not limit any rights or remedies of the Substitute Trustee or the Beneficiary with respect to any such default. If the Property is resold, such re-sale shall be at the risk and the cost of the defaulting Purchaser, and the defaulting Purchaser shall be liable for any deficiency between the amount of its bid and the successful bid at the re-sale as well as the costs of conducting such re-sale. Immediately upon conveyance by the Substitute Trustee of the Property, all duties, liabilities and obligations of the Substitute Trustee, if any, with respect to the Property so conveyed shall be extinguished, except as otherwise provided by applicable law.

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