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Day for Veterans

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Master Sgt. Bill Strawsburg salutes a flag being hoisted by Master Sgt. Willie B. Jones at a Veteran's Day remembrance service at Gunston Elementary School.

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I never thought of myself as athletic before I came to Madeira. I've always done ballet, but I never really played any sports. Still, the first thing I did freshman year was try out for the JV soccer team. I was petrified. But the next day I had friends. [My parents called it an overnight transformation.](#)

Now I'm really into long-distance running. I know the cross-country course so well. I never get tired of running around Madeira. I go through the Big Woods behind the horse pasture, which means running up a lot of hills. Then I run up Meyer House Road, toward the Potomac River, and then loop up to Little Woods, which puts me right near the soccer fields. [Running is such a mental release.](#)

I enjoy working hard. I don't skimp on my homework. I always do the extra assignment. Running gives me balance, so do my friends and mixing music CDs. I have a lot of drive. Both of my parents are engineers, so I think I get it from them. They are so curious about everything, and they instilled in me that sense of wonder.

When I was thirteen, my dad started reading Stephen Hawking to me. [I now love the ideas of modern physics.](#) The idea that time is relative, it is not constant. You could be sitting in class, maybe a little tired, and time is slow. One minute seems like an hour. But when I am really engaged in a class discussion, or when I'm running, time flies by.

After college, I would really like to work in international aid. If I could study international relations, with a concentration in nonviolence and peace studies, and combine that with astrophysics, well, I'd be a happy girl. I think I could make it work.

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Wanted: Food

As donations thin, demand increases, food banks continue to help the needy.

BY DEREK B. JOHNSON
THE CONNECTION

By the end of September, the food shelves at the Lorton Community Action Center (LCAC) on Richmond Highway in Lorton were almost completely bare. The number of families serviced by the charity had been steadily rising over the past few years, even before the recent financial collapse. Now up to 300 families were coming to the center for food, clothing and financial assistance.

According to Karlene Webster, nu-

“Across the board, [all statistics] are up. It’s only worsened.”

— Patricia Gauthier, executive director of ECHO

tritionist for the LCAC, more than two-thirds of those families were regularly using their services, including the pantry. It took emergency food drives by both the Boy Scouts and St. Raymond of Penaforte Catholic Church in Springfield to bring 8,000 pounds of



John Ray, food co-chair at Ecumenical Community Helping Others in Springfield, says the food shelves are lighter at this time of the year than he could ever remember in his 11 years with the organization.

supplies to restock the shelves.

“Our clientele used to be the poor. Now we’re seeing middle-class and some upper middle-class,” said Webster.

John Ray and Sandy Gumbert co-chair the food pantries of Ecumenical Community Helping Others (ECHO) in Springfield. In his 11 years with ECHO, Ray said the food pantries are lower than he could remember at this time of the year.

In addition, an economy that has only continued to falter has resulted in a dramatic increase in the number of families coming in hungry.

“Five of the last seven months have been record highs in outflow of food,” said Ray.

Last year, ECHO took in over 169,000

pounds of food. Ray said he expects demand to increase by at least 10 percent in the next year. Patricia Gauthier, executive director of ECHO, said donation levels remain “very good” though she believes there’s been “some burnout by our donor base.”

“Across the board, [all statistics] are up. It’s only worsened,” said Gauthier, who provided statistics showing a client base of nearly 1,160 different families.

The Lamb Center on Old Lee Highway in Fairfax services 65-70 homeless men and women a day. About one-third of that base relies on the center for lunches, laundry and sometimes breakfast more than three times a week, according to director of operations Dave Larrabee. Unlike the LCAC and ECHO, which deal mostly with families in lower

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By George, GMU E-mail Hacked

E-mail sent via GMU provost’s account spreads election eve disinformation.

BY DEREK B. JOHNSON
THE CONNECTION

On Tuesday, Nov. 4 at approximately 12:40 a.m., Peter Stearns, the provost of George Mason University decided to send a campus-wide e-mail. His aim was to dispel some of the rumors about voting that had spread through the student body in the weeks prior that day’s presidential election.

“So here are the facts: the election is Nov. 4 for all political parties. The notion that one party votes Nov. 5 is untrue,” wrote Stearns.

Dan Walsch, spokesman for George Mason University said that the e-mail was an attempt to proactively address some of the myths that are spread around communities with students and first-time-voters in an attempt to suppress turnout among those areas.

“Apparently things like this have been going on and building up to Election Day. We were aware that there was some trickery going on and tried to do our best to head that off at the pass,” said Dan Walsch, spokesperson for George Mason University.

The e-mail sent half-an-hour later from Stearns’ e-mail account was as brief as it was contradictory to the provost’s message.

“Please note that Election Day has been moved to Nov. 5. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you,” it read.

Once the school’s administration started receiving calls from confused students and parents, it didn’t take long to realize that another party had gained access to the school provost’s e-mail account. After sending a third message clarifying that the previous e-mail was a hoax, school officials brought the matter to the police, who in turn brought it to the Federal Bureau of Investigations. Now the incident is being investigated to determine whether it was a sophomore technical student’s idea of a prank or a serious attempt at voter suppression in a battleground presidential state.

“We’ve been asked was it someone on the inside, whether it was done by a student or someone [not affiliated] with the school? The answer is ‘Yes, it could be all of the above,’” said Walsch. “There’s also a chance that we may never be able to find the source

Koger Pleads Guilty to Embezzlement

Still faces charges including attempted capital murder of police officers in Fairfax County.

BY KEN MOORE
THE CONNECTION

Jeffrey Scott Koger admitted to embezzling approximately \$3 million from 400 homeowner associations using 140 bank wire transfers, according to statement of facts filed Monday, Nov. 10 with his plea agreement in federal court in Alexandria.

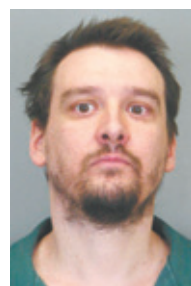
Koger, 39 of Oak Hill, embezzled the money and invested funds in personal accounts and businesses he was involved in, including: \$733,000 in Jordan’s 8 restaurant on Capitol Hill; \$374,960 to pay a contractor to remodel his Oak Hill house and the Tri-Fitness, Inc. facility in Annandale; \$40,000 for a down payment on a 2005 Chevrolet Corvette convertible; \$60,000 for

a down payment on a house in New Mexico; and \$56,668 for windows and doors for his home.

Koger was the former chief financial officer of his father’s real estate management firm, Koger Management Group, which filed for bankruptcy in July 2007. Robert Koger, the father, reported to the Fairfax City Police in November 2006 that he believed his son Jeffrey Koger had embezzled \$800,000, kicking off the investigation.

Jeffrey Koger pleaded guilty Monday, Nov. 10 in federal court in Alexandria to wire fraud and income tax evasion.

Jeffrey Koger, already jailed in Fairfax County Adult Detention Center on other charges, waived prosecution by indictment and consented that his plea agreement could continue Monday.



Jeffrey Koger

SHERIFF'S PHOTO

U.S. District Court Judge Leonie M. Brinkema is currently scheduled to sentence Jeffrey Koger in February.

He faces a maximum penalty of 25 years in prison, \$500,000 in fines and full restitution, according to Acting U.S.

Attorney Dana J. Boente.

“The defendant took various actions to conceal his scheme from the homeowners’ associations and their auditors,” according to agreed upon statement of facts. “If the defendant received a complaint that money was missing from a particular homeowners’ association account, he would provide a false explanation.”

Jeffrey Koger also evaded \$775,273 in

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A student representative of the SCA plants memorial flags around the base of the Gunston Elementary flag pole.

Students Mark Veterans Day

With "America the Beautiful" playing across the speaker system, the students of Gunston Elementary School exited their school buses and kiss and ride cars on Tuesday, Nov. 11 and to begin their day.

To celebrate Veterans Day, students and staff gathered around the school flagpole. Present at the ceremony were several school administrators, Principal Tonya Cox, students of the SCA, Master Sgt. Bill Strawsburg and Master Sgt. Willie B. Jones.

The ceremony began with Cox introducing the program and the importance of this day to the children, followed by a full raising of the American flag by Strawsburg and Jones.

After the flag raising, sixth grader and SCA President Connor Salisbury, did read "In Flander's Field" a 1915 poem written by Maj. John McCrae, as a reaction to the first World War.

Connor read the poem because of its significance to Armistice Day, which celebrated the end of World War I. In 1954, Armistice Day was changed to celebrate all veterans not just those who served in World War I.

"My dad used to be a Navy Seal," said Connor, "and I knew a little about the poem. My father practiced reading it with me."

When asked what he considers significant about Veterans Day Connor said: "Some people died in the war, and I'm happy my dad didn't. You want to support the people who have fought for your country."

The ceremony included a moment of silence and the playing of "Taps" by Gunston music director Randy Benton, as well as the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" by Yaa Boamah and Sara Mills. The ceremony concluded with a thank you to military veteran's Strawsburg and Jones.

Strawsburg is a veteran of both the Vietnam War and Desert Storm. He joined the military when he was. When asked about the importance of Veterans Day, he said, "If we ever forget why we went in the first place, I feel as though we lose sight of our heritage."

Jones is a veteran of both the Korean and Vietnam wars. He was drafted into the military in 1952. He was promoted quickly and it soon became a job. "I was on a payroll, a steady payroll and I decided to make a career out of it," he said.

Of Veterans Day, Jones said: "There are some people that served that have never returned home, and we can never forget those people." When asked about how he feels about the Gunston students celebrating this day he said, "It really makes you feel good, for these schools to take an interest, even with the really young kids."

— CANNON COOK

Kickbacks to Clifton Home

Former U.S. government official Gerardo Chavez, 46, of Clifton, received \$172,000 in kickbacks by steering \$2.8 million in U.S. government contracts to a company in Caracas, Venezuela, according to Dana J. Boente, Acting U.S. Attorney

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Bulova Runs For Chair

Republican Herrity may also throw his hat in ring to succeed Connolly.

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE
THE CONNECTION

Fairfax County chairman Gerry Connolly (D-At-large) won his new position in the U.S. Congress on Nov. 4, but two of his colleagues on the Board of Supervisors have been preparing for his departure for months.

Supervisor Sharon Bulova (D-Braddock) and Supervisor Patrick Herrity (R-Springfield) have made little secret of their interest in chairman's position, especially since Connolly was the favorite to take Virginia's 11th Congressional District.

Even before Connolly made his election night victory speech, Bulova shared plans for her county chairman campaign kick off Nov. 12.

Herrity, who is chief operating officer and chief financial officer of Arrowhead Global Solutions, a local technology company, said he will make a final decision regarding the chairman race later this week. The Springfield supervisor has been shaking hands at events like the Vienna Fourth of July festival and others miles outside his district for months.

The countywide race to succeed Connolly is likely to be short and fast. The chairman will step down in early January and county officials expect a special

"I have done a very good job of steering the county through tough fiscal times before and I will again."

— Supervisor Sharon Bulova

election to replace him will occur in early February, about one month later. The new chairman would serve out the rest of Connolly's term and has the chance to stand re-election in 2011.

BOTH Bulova and Herrity, who is still weighing a campaign against personal factors, said the economic downturn and Fairfax County's budget shortfall would be their top priorities as chairman.

If the real estate tax rate stays at the same level, Fairfax is facing a projected \$500 million shortfall in the county's \$3.4 billion general fund during next fiscal year. Fairfax has already had to wrestle with a \$65 million budget shortfall in the current fiscal year, which started July 1, and required county agencies to make mid-year cuts.

If the supervisors had to wrestle with just a \$400 million budget shortfall next year, they would be looking at cutting roughly 12 percent of Fairfax's total general fund. According to county staff, \$400 million is equivalent to what the county sets aside for public works, courts, community development, parks and recreation, libraries, administrative and support services, county transit and Metro funding combined.

Budget staff predicts that the tight fiscal situation would continue beyond next year and that the county could take several budget cycles to recover from the current downturn.

Bulova, 61, who has sat on the board since 1987, said she is the most qualified person to steer the

Sharon Bulova (D)

Age: 60

Current Home: The Cloisters of Fairfax, Fairfax County resident since 1996

Hometown/Grew Up In: Pikesville, Md.

Education: University of Virginia (classes via Fort Belvoir extension campus), Northern Virginia Community College, business management (1977)

Family: husband Lou DeFalaize, two adult children, three grandchildren

Professional experience: bookkeeper, sales and office manager

Political experience: Braddock District Supervisor (1987-present), former aide to Annandale District Supervisor Audrey Moore (1984-1987)

Civic experience: founding member of Virginia Railway Express Operations Board (1989 – present), Governors Commission on Rail Enhancement for the 21st Century (2004-present)



Patrick Herrity (R)

Age: 48

Current Home: Clifton/Centreville

Hometown/Grew Up In: Springfield

Education: Virginia Tech., B.S. in accounting (1982)

Family: Wife Nancy and two high school children

Professional experience: chief financial officer at Arrowhead Global Solutions, government contractor (2005-present)

Political experience: Springfield District Supervisor (2008-present)

Civic experience: former executive committee of Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce, former board member of Northern Virginia Technology Council, youth athletics coach



county through tough financial times. She has served as the supervisors' budget committee chairman for all but four of the past 20 years. Former county chairman Tom Davis headed the committee in the early 1990s.

Bulova said she played a pivotal role in guiding the county out of its last fiscal crisis in the mid-1990s.

"I was the budget chairman when we took action to address the last downturn, and we emerged from that recession in better shape than we had been in when the downturn began," she said.

The county found new and better ways to partner with the non-profit and faith communities to deliver services. As a result of the last recession, the supervisors also created a revenue stabilization fund, which the county is tapping right now, to provide "rainy day" money for the county if it ever faced a mid-year budget shortfall, she said.

"Looking ahead, I want to find those same opportunities to pull out of this current recession in a sound and improved manner," said Bulova.

As chairman, Bulova wants to focus on "getting us back on our fiscal feet so we can emerge from the recession better than ever."

STILL, Herrity, 48, said it might be time for a new perspective and blames Bulova, in part, for the county's current financial crisis.

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Bulova Enters Board Chairman's Race

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"Basically, she was the budget chair that got us into a lot of this mess. I don't think the county can afford three more years of the same," he said.

Fairfax should have been better prepared for an economic downturn, particularly the slowing down of the real estate market, said Herry, who joined the board in January. Though Herry is in his first year on the county board, he brings name recognition to the race. His father, Jack Herry, served 16 years on the Board of Supervisors, including 12 years as chairman.

Residents' home values have more than doubled, resulting in significantly higher taxes and more revenue for county government. Supervisors should have been more conservative about spending the additional money and adding new county programs, said Herry.

The Springfield District supervisor also implied that Bulova and Connolly had not focused new revenue on the county's most critical needs. As the local economy boomed, traffic got worse and the locality, which is looking at cutting public safety funding, saw a spike in crime this year, he said.

In his short time on the board, Herry has also been an advocate for more com-

munity involvement in Fairfax's budget process and supported the board's decision to conduct community dialogues about county budget priorities this fall.

"[In recent years], we haven't had outside input into the budget process other than public hearings," said Herry.

BULOVA said she, Connolly and the other veterans on the board couldn't be blamed for the county's current financial problems.

"This is a worldwide economic downturn and Fairfax County is affected by it. I have done a very good job of steering the county through tough fiscal times before and I will again. Tom Davis was chairman of the board the last time we were affected by a recession and it certainly wasn't Tom's fault," she said.

Many of Bulova's Democratic colleagues have already expressed support for her and said her experience as budget chairman would be a valuable asset.

"The main reason I am backing Sharon is we need someone who understands the budget backwards and forwards. There will

be tough decisions and we need someone understands the ramifications of those tough decisions," said Supervisor Jeff McKay (D-Lee).

Others, mostly Republicans, have already come out for Herry, even though he has not yet declared his candidacy yet.

"Sharon was chairman of the budget committee last year when they put off a lot of their decisions. They didn't do what they might have done because Gerry was running for congress. They didn't make any of the tough decisions," said

Davis.

Herry could face an uphill battle getting elected countywide as a Republican.

Fairfax has not had a Republican chairman since Davis left office 13 years ago, and all but two of the nine district supervisors are Democrats. Michael Frey (Sully) is the only other Republican on the board.

The Nov. 4 election also wasn't encouraging. Sixty percent of Fairfax County voters chose President-elect Barack Obama, giving the Democrat over a 100,000-ballot victory over Republican John McCain in the

locality.

Bulova also has a track record of getting elected as a Democrat in one of the county's more moderate-to-conservative magisterial districts, said Scott Surovell, head of the Fairfax County Democratic Committee.

"Sharon has a long history of getting things done and the Braddock District voters have confirmed that five times now. She has held that seat for 21 years, which says a lot about her ability," said Surovell.

But Davis pointed out that his successor, Kate Hanley, won the county chairman seat in a similar, unfavorable climate for the Democrats in 1995.

Davis, who was then chairman, was one of over 50 Republicans to win new seats in the U.S. House of Representatives in 1994. His move to Congress triggered a special election for county chairman in an era when Republicans had the advantage, but Hanley, a Democrat, still won the countywide seat.


"This is different set of issues, different turnout model and different people from the [Nov. 4] election," he said.

In some ways, the Democratic blowout on Nov. 4 could help Herry, according to Jim Hyland, head of the Fairfax County Republican Committee.

"I have no doubts that Republicans will be highly motivated given that election," he said.

"I don't think the county can afford three more years of the same."

— **Supervisor Patrick Herry (R-Springfield)**




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PEOPLE

Getting To Know . . . Scott S. Drummond, physical education teacher and powerlifting record holder.

In his 10th year as a physical education teacher at Newington Forest Elementary School, Scott S. Drummond knows a lot about how to stay fit and healthy. It's a philosophy that extends beyond the school gym and into the arena of competitive powerlifting, where Drummond holds six world records. Here, he talks about work, working out and the ultimate in exercise — parenting a 2-year old.

Family.

My wife, Jennifer Drummond is the assistant principal at Union Mill Elementary in Clifton. I have a 2-year-old daughter, Calista Lee Drummond.

Education

I graduated from George Mason University with a degree in physical education and health.

What was your first job?

My first job was a trainer in a health club in Raleigh, N.C. at the age of 15.

Hobbies, interests, activities.

I spend a great deal of time training for powerlifting. I also love home projects. I recently built a deck on my house, built a movie room, built a laundry room and a full bath in our basement.

How do you spend your spare time?

My powerlifting expenses are paid for by my sponsor- Charles Staley, the creator of

EDT (Escalating Density Training). I work with athletes on his site developing training programs and helping with training advice. That takes up a bit of my free time as well.

I also spend as much time with my wife and daughter as possible in outdoor activities such as going to the park or zoo.

Favorite local restaurants.

Rio Grande Cafe, Pei Wei, Sweetwater Tavern.

Community concerns.

Being a teacher in Fairfax County, I have concerns with the huge budget deficit that we are facing and its present and future affects on school programs, job cuts and salary issues.

How did you get interested in powerlifting?

I spent many years as a bodybuilder. I did pretty well winning the Mr. Virginia overall in my first competition. I've won several competitions along the way as well as being chosen AAU athlete of the year.

About three years ago, I decided to make the switch to powerlifting. I entered my first local competition and set two records.

What records do you hold?

My best lifts are a Raw (no equipment except weight belt and wraps) — bench press, 520 pounds; squat, 700 pounds; deadlift, 720 pounds.



PHOTO BY ROBBIE HAMMER/THE CONNECTION

Scott S. Drummond is in his 10th year as a Newington Forest Elementary P.E. teacher.

I currently hold two local, 14 state and six world records in the 259-pound and 275-pound weight classes. I'm also currently ranked 23rd in the country in the squat and 21st for bench press.

I have another competition coming up at the end of February where I plan to break the single lift bench press world record in

the Southern Powerlifting Federation of 515 pounds.

How often do you train?

I train three days a week at Gold's Gym in Manassas. I also am on my feet all day as a physical education teacher, then when I get home I chase my 2-year-old around the house.



Clifton Gardeners

Alexa Earl and Rachel Frazee, third graders in Margaret Batten's class, spread mulch in the Butterfly Garden. Third

Graders at Clifton Elementary School are taking their curriculum from the classroom to the courtyard as they care for the Butterfly Garden. Students weeded, fertilized, mulched and planted a few new plants as they prepared the garden for winter. The fourth graders have a Virginia Garden and the first graders are anticipating the groundbreaking for their Five Senses Garden.

MILITARY NOTES

Send notes to the Connection at south@connectionnewspapers.com or call 703-917-6459. Deadline is Friday. Dated announcements should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event.

Air Force Airman Catherine B. Gilbert has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. She is the daughter of William and Bonnie Gilbert of Whetstone Manor Court, Clifton, and granddaughter of William and Patricia Gilbert of Whispering Oaks Drive, Staunton. Gilbert is a 2007 graduate of Centreville High School.

Navy Ensign Rebecca A. Hardy of Fairfax Station is currently enrolled at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, Md., the nation's only fully accredited federal school of medicine and graduate school of nursing. Hardy is a 2003 graduate of W. T. Woodson High School, and joined the Navy in July 2008. She is the daughter of Marilyn H. and David M. Hardy of Fairfax Station.

Army Pfc. James P. Byrne has graduated from the Infantryman One Station Unit Training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga. Byrne is the son of Patrick Byrne of Whitley Way, Lorton, and a 2006 graduate of Hayfield Secondary School.

VIEWPOINTS

What was your first paying job?



"I worked for the Springfield Connection as a delivery boy. I remember dragging a little red wheel barrel around the neighborhood; it was a good time."

Brian DeWyngaert Jr., Alexandria



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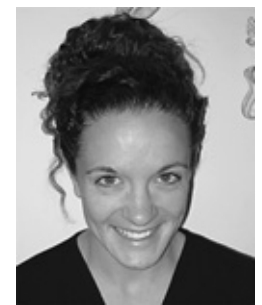
"It was an administrative job in New Jersey working for the AFL-CIO. There was an upcoming election and I worked on staff, matching union members to their voter registrations."

Brian DeWyngaert, West Springfield



"I was a caddie at a private golf course. It was the first job I could get at 15, and I could get one free game of golf a week."

Jonathon Diesel, Burke



"Working in a restaurant. Anytime I made a mistake I had a nightmare about it that night."

Heather McCarthy, Lorton

NEWS

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for the Eastern District of Virginia.

The company got the United States contract to provide four-wheel drive vehicles to U.S. law enforcement and government personnel throughout the South American and Caribbean region.

With the kickbacks, Chavez purchased property in California in his brother-in-law's name and purchased and remodeled his home in Clifton. He anticipated receiving another \$87,000 before U.S. government law enforcement agents uncovered the scheme, according to Boente.

NEWS BRIEFS

Chavez worked in Caracas as a supervisory special agent and attaché for the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and later as a deputy assistant

director of International Operations at ICE headquarters in Washington, D.C.

He pleaded guilty Thursday, Nov. 6 in federal court in Alexandria to two counts: receiving bribes as a public official and conspiracy to commit honest services wire fraud and money laundering.

U.S. District Court Judge T.S. Ellis III is scheduled to sentence Chavez next February. He faces a maximum penalty of 15 years in federal prison and a fine of \$250,000.

As part of his plea agreement, Chavez agreed to forfeit his real property and proceeds from bank accounts, according to Boente, Joseph Persichini Jr., and assistant director in charge of the FBI's Washington Field Office, and Richard L. Skinner, Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security.

— KEN MOORE

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A Day for Those Who Served

Army 1st Lt. Thomas J. Brown, a George Mason University graduate and Burke resident, died just over one month ago on Sept. 23, 2008 while serving in Iraq. His unit came under small arms fire, and Brown, 26, died from his wounds. Brown, a leader who often insisted on riding in the lead vehicles of convoys, the ones most likely to be targeted in an attack, was three weeks away from completing his tour of duty. Among family and friends left behind were his twin brother Timothy.

Nov. 11 marks Veterans Day, a day to honor all veterans, living and dead.

But our thoughts turn to the more than 4,100 U.S. service members who have died in Iraq, and more than 600 who have died in Afghanistan since 9/11. Here in Northern Virginia, many local families bear the personal sacrifice that comes with this loss.

Ami Neiberger-Miller of Sterling lost her brother, U.S. Army Specialist Christopher Neiberger, in August 2007 when he was killed by a roadside bomb while serving in Baghdad, Iraq. He was 22 years old when he died.

Nov. 11 marks Veterans Day, a day to honor all veterans, living and dead.

Many local people have responded to their loss by reaching out and helping others. Since her brother's death, Neiberger-Miller has devoted herself to the Tragedy

Assistance Program for Survivors (www.taps.org), which provides peer-based emotional support and other services for families of the fallen.

Scott Kirkpatrick, 26, died on Aug. 11, 2007, in Arab Jabour, Iraq. Kirkpatrick, who graduated from Park View High School in Sterling, and also considered Herndon and Reston as his hometowns, was a champion slam poet. His father, Ed Kirkpatrick, calls him the "warrior poet," and he and his wife help injured vets at Walter Reed through the Yellow Ribbon fund (www.yellowribbonfund.org).

Beth and Michael Belle of Vienna are mother and stepfather of U.S. Marine Lance Cpl. Nicholas Kirven, who, at age 21, was killed in Afghanistan in 2005 during a firefight in a cave with insurgents. He enlisted while still in high school after 9/11. Beth Belle was notified that her son had died on Mother's Day.

Xiomara Mena and Rafael Anderson of Vienna are mother and brother of U.S. Army Cpl. Andy Anderson, age 24, who was killed by enemy fire during combat operations in Iraq. Xiomara Mena is de-

Time to remember that we are still fighting two wars, many thousands have died or been wounded and our veterans deserve the best possible care on their return.

scribed as the unofficial "mayor" of the section of Arlington National Cemetery where her son is buried; she is at the cemetery every day.

More than 30,000 soldiers have been wounded in Iraq and Afghanistan. More than a million soldiers have served in Iraq and Afghanistan in that time, with their lives forever changed by that experience.

EDITORIAL

Those serving are there because of their sense of duty to the rest of us, to put their lives on the line to defend the country. They join more than 24 million men and women, veterans, who have made great sacrifice in serving in the military.

A good place to start in showing respect for those now serving would be to provide them with the equipment and services they need while they are there, and the services they will need when they get home, including impeccable, first class health care.

HERE ARE the names of some of the local men and women who have died in Iraq and Afghanistan. We repeat these names several times a year to honor their service and to keep their memories in our consciousness.

If you know of someone who should be included in this list, or if you would like to share how you are honoring the memory of a family member or friend lost, or about the progress of someone injured, please let us know.

❖ Staff Sgt. Jesse G. Clowers Jr., 27 of Herndon, died when an improvised bomb exploded near his vehicle in Afghanistan on Aug. 12, 2007.

❖ Jonathan D. Winterbottom, 21, of Falls Church, died in Iraq on May 23, 2007, of wounds inflicted when an "improvised explosive device" exploded near his vehicle.

❖ Nicholas Rapavi, 22, of Springfield, died Nov. 24, 2006, of wounds suffered during combat in Anbar province in Iraq.

❖ Army Cpl. Andy D. Anderson, 24, was killed on Tuesday, June 6, 2006. He and another member of the 46th Engineer Battalion were killed when their camp in Ar Ramadi, Iraq, came under "indirect enemy fire during combat operations," according to Department of Defense documentation. He had been a respected football and basketball player at Jeb Stuart High School and had proposed to his high-school sweetheart about three weeks before he was killed.

❖ Airman 1st Class LeeBernard E. Chavis, 21, was killed Oct. 14, 2006, by sniper fire in Iraq, trying to protect civilians from a roadside bomb.

❖ Spc. Robert Drawl Jr., 21, who graduated from T.C. Williams High School in 2003, was killed by a bomb in Kunar, Afghanistan, on Aug.

19, 2006.

❖ Capt. Shane R. M. Mahaffee, 36, a 1987 graduate of Mount Vernon High School, died May 15, 2006. He was a lawyer, married, with two children. His parents live in Alexandria.

❖ Maj. William F. Hecker III, a 1987 graduate of McLean High School, was killed in action in An Najaf, Iraq, Jan. 5, 2005.

❖ Ayman Taha, 31, of Vienna, was killed Dec. 30, 2005, when an enemy munitions cache he was prepping for demolition exploded.

❖ Army Capt. Chris Petty of Vienna was killed Jan. 5, 2006.

❖ George T. Alexander Jr., the 2,000th soldier to be killed in Iraq, was literally born into the Army here in Northern Virginia, at DeWitt Army Hospital at Fort Belvoir. Alexander died at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio, Texas, Oct. 22, 2005, of injuries sustained in Samarra, Iraq, Oct. 17.

❖ On Nov. 5, 2005, Lt. Col. Thomas A. Wren, 44, of Lorton, died in Tallil, Iraq.

❖ Marine Capt. Michael Martino, 32, of the City of Fairfax, died Nov. 2, 2005, when his helicopter crashed while flying in support of security operations in Iraq.

❖ Fairfax Station resident Pfc. Dillon Jutras, 20, was killed in combat operations in Al Anbar Province of Iraq Oct. 28, 2005.

❖ Laura M. Walker of Oakton was killed on Aug. 18, 2005, in Kandahar, Afghanistan.

Among other local lives lost: Tavon Lee Hubbard, 24, of Reston; Alexander Wetherbee, 27, of McLean; Jeff Kaylor, 25, of Clifton; Nathan B. Bruckenthal, 24, of Herndon; Sharon T. Swartworth, 43, of Mount Vernon; Jim Blankenbecler, 40, of Mount Vernon; Jim Adamowski, 29, of Springfield; DeForest L. Talbert, 22, of Alexandria; Marine Cpl. Binh N. Le, 20, of Alexandria; Russel Verdugo, 34, of Alexandria. Army Capt. Mark N. Stubenhofer, 30, from Springfield; Marine Gunnery Sgt. Javier Obleas-Prado Pena, 36, from Falls Church; Marine Sgt. Krisna Nachampassak, 27, from Burke; Army Staff Sgt. Nathaniel J. Nyren, 31, from Reston; Marine Lance Cpl. Tenzin Dengkhim, 19, from Falls Church, Navy Chief Joel Egan Baldwin, 37, from Arlington.

On Veterans Day we also honor those who served in World War I (a dwindling number), World War II, Korea and Vietnam, as well as those who have served the nation in times of peace.

If you have a story you'd like to share, about your own military service or that of a family member, we'd like to hear from you.

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Food Banks Call for Donations

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income brackets, the Lamb Center services homeless men and women. Larrabee said he had seen an increase in foot traffic to the center, but that most people affected by the financial turmoil on Wall Street and the real estate industry were probably not showing up at their doors.

"Our numbers are starting to go up but that probably has more to do with the cold weather," said Larrabee. "Maybe [those affected] have some safety net where they end up with families and don't make it to the Lamb Center. The ones we deal with don't have that safety net."

Grumpert said ECHO has found some of those people.

"We've seen more as foreclosures have been going on for the last year more so than in these last few months," she said.

In tough economic times, local grocery stores and churches become vital sources of supplies for a local food bank. Safeway and Trader Joe's have donated food to the Lamb Center. The LCAC relied on the local chains like Wegmans, Bloom and Bottom Dollar for weekly bread and pastry delivery. ECHO relies on food drives at local schools along with organizations like the Boy Scouts.

"That's who you count on for donations on a regular basis," said Grumpert.

Donations of cheap food like bread, pasta and canned foods rose among centers, while donations of produce and red meat have thinned. Instead of giving away 20 items to a client coming for food, Webster said she now instructs volunteers to give only 9.

"We give out smaller amounts to serve more people every month," said Maryam Ulomi, director of emergency services at the LCAC.

In addition to food, the LCAC also provides financial assistance by helping to pay gas and electric bills for client families. Budget constraints and a swell in needy families took their allocated money down to

More

For more information on how to provide help, here is a short list of local charities:

❖ **Ecumenical Community Helping Others**, 7205 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield. Hours of operation are Monday-Friday, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 7-9 p.m. 703-569-9160.

❖ **Fairfax FISH (For Immediate Sympathetic Health) Inc.**, P.O. Box 2254, Fairfax, VA 22031. Fairfaxfish@yahoo.com. 703-978-0280.

❖ **The Koinonia Foundation**, 6037 Franconia Road, Franconia. Hours of operation are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m.-12 noon and Thursday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. 703-971-1991.

❖ **The Lamb Center**, 3220 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. Hours of operation are Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. and Saturday, 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

❖ **Lorton Community Action Center**, 9518 Richmond Highway, Lorton, behind the Lorton Library. Hours of operation are Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 703-339-5161.

❖ **Our Daily Bread, Inc.**, 10777 Main St., #320, Fairfax, VA 22030-6903. www.our-daily-bread.org. 703-273-8829.

zero less than two weeks into October. Ray said donations usually increase before the Thanksgiving and Christmas season as the weather gets colder and people begin feeling more generous. ECHO will rely on that planned generosity to keep up with the flow of families and individuals looking for food.

"You have peaks and valleys with supply but demand stays pretty constant," said Ray.

Webster and Ulomi took a fatalistic approach to the weekly attrition of their food cupboards, refusing to get frustrated.

"There's no need. There's nothing you can do," laughed Ulomi. "In life you pick your battles."

Koger To Be Sentenced in Feb.

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federal income taxes by failing to file personal income tax returns from 2003-2006, according to the Internal Revenue Service. In 2005, he received taxable income of more than \$810,257.

The IRS, Secret Service, FBI, Fairfax City, Fairfax County and Alexandria City police departments investigated the case, which is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Jack Hanly and Trial Attorney Caryn Mark, of the Department of Justice's Tax Division.

JEFFREY KOGER ALSO FACES three counts of attempted capital murder of police officers, two counts of aggravated maiming and five counts of use of a firearm in the commission of felonies in Fairfax County courts.

According to police reports and testimony at Koger's preliminary hearing in June, Koger stopped his 1990 Jeep Cherokee behind a taxicab stopped at a traffic light at the corner of Seminary Road and North Beauregard Street in Alexandria in the early morning of Feb. 2, 2008.

Koger got out of his Jeep, walked to the taxi driver's window, and fired several shots into the cab. The

driver was seriously injured.

Koger shot two other men in another car, who escaped him by driving into the Fairfax County Police Station on Franconia Road.

Koger eventually fled in his Jeep to elude a Virginia State trooper. Koger crashed into a traffic control box in front of Springfield Shopping Mall, and got out of his car with a firearm in his hand.

When Koger fired his weapon, the trooper and Washington Metropolitan Transit Authority officers shot back, hitting Koger in the midsection. He was hospitalized with life-threatening injuries, but recovered.

In August, Koger's defense attorney, Peter D. Greenspun, filed notice of Koger's possible intent to claim the insanity defense.

At Koger's preliminary hearing, Greenspun asked the trooper if Koger said anything after crashing his car.

"The only thing he said out loud was, 'Help me, they're coming to get me,'" the trooper testified.

Koger faces more than three life terms in prison if convicted in Fairfax County Circuit Court.

His trial on those charges is currently scheduled for February, after his sentencing hearing in federal court.

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George Mason University Speaker Series: Virginia Ashby Sharpe, Ph.D., Georgetown University Medical Ethicist, National Center for Ethics in Healthcare, U.S. Veterans Health Administration. Free. 6 p.m. at George Mason University, 4400 University Drive, Mason Hall, Room D3AB, Fairfax. 703-993-1850 or chpre.gmu.edu.

Lighters and Matches are Tools for Grownups Only. 1:30 p.m. Age 4-5 with adult. Lorton Library, 9520 Richmond Highway, Lorton. 703-339-7385.

What's New in Picture Books. 7 p.m. Learn about new books for preschoolers. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. 703-971-0010.

Fall Fun. 1 p.m. Stories and activities. Age 3-5 with adult. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. 703-339-4610.

Women in the Military Memorial, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at Springfield Golf & Country Club, 8301 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield. Brig. Gen. Wilma Vaught, U.S.A.F. (Ret.) President of the Board of Directors of the Women in Military Service for America Memorial Foundation, will speak about the memorial and recount stories of women who served the nation. \$17. 703-768-4543.

Workshop Jazz Band, 8 p.m. in the Harris Theater, George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Free. 703-993-8794.

Dave Berry, 8 p.m. at Kate's Irish Pub,

6131 Backlick Road Springfield. 703-866-0860 or www.katesirishpub.com.

FRIDAY/NOV. 14

Y&T with Switched at Birth, Gate 1, Sinners Trail and NeoComplex. Age 21 and over. 7:30 p.m. \$25 in advance, \$28 at the door. Jaxx Night Club, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield. 703-569-5940 or www.jaxxroxx.com.

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The Kirov Orchestra under Valery Gergiev, at the George Mason University Center for the Arts, on the Fairfax campus at the intersection of Braddock Road and Route 123. 8 p.m. Tickets are \$30-\$60. Charge by phone at 888-945-2468 or visit www.tickets.com.

Christopher Paul Curtis, author of "Bud, Not Buddy" and "The Watsons Go to Birmingham - 1963," 7:30 p.m. at the Fairfax County Government Center, Board Auditorium, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Books available for sale and signing. 703-324-8428.

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Dave Berry. 8:30-12:30 p.m. at Kate's Irish Pub, 6131 Backlick Road Springfield. 703-866-0860.

University Vocal Jazz Concert, 3 p.m. in the Harris Theater, George Mason Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Free. 703-993-8794.

Home for the Holidays, a fundraising event for United Community Ministries, at Collingwood Library & Museum on Americanism, 8301 East Boulevard Drive, Alexandria. 11 a.m.-3 p.m., \$15 per person. 703-785-3272 or www.ucmagency.org.

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MONDAY/NOV. 17

Lighters and Matches are Tools for Grownups Only. 10:30 a.m. Puppet show by Fairfax County Fire and Rescue. Age 3-5 with Adult. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. 703-339-4610.

Pointed Pursuits. 7:30 p.m. Join other needleworkers. Adults. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. 703-339-4610.

College Night in Virginia, from 6-9 p.m., at NOVA's Alexandria, Loudoun and Woodbridge campuses. Choosing the right college, understanding the financial aid process, finding scholarships, and completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). www.collegenightinva.org.

Open Mic Night, 8 p.m. at Kate's Irish Pub and Restaurant, 6131 Backlick Road Springfield. 703-866-0860 or www.katesirishpub.com.

George Mason National Geography Awareness Week and Men's Basketball vs. Brown, 7 p.m. at the George Mason Patriot Center, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. \$7. Children can enter a random drawing for the World Ball basketball. Call 703-993-3270 or www.gmu.edu.

TUESDAY/NOV. 18

Colors. 10:30 a.m. Age 2-3 with adult. Lorton Library, 9520 Richmond Highway, Lorton. 703-339-7385.

Mother-Daughter Book discussion. 7 p.m. Call for title. Age 10-12 with adult. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. 703-971-0010.

Fall into Fall. 10:30 a.m. Autumn stories. Age 13-23 months with adult. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria. 703-339-4610.

M3E: Mason Modern Music Ensemble, 8 p.m. in the Harris Theater, George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Free. 703-993-8794.

WEDNESDAY/NOV. 19

Small Wonders. 10:15 a.m. Stories and fingerplays. Age 13-23 months with adult John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. 703-971-0010.

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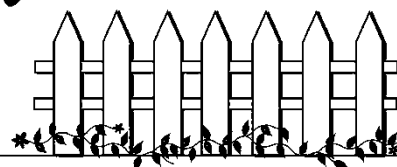
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Stories and Science. 4 p.m. Stories and activities. Age 4-6 with adult. John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive, Alexandria. 703-971-0010.

"Alice in Wonderland," 7:30 p.m. at West Springfield High School, 6100 Rolling Road, Springfield. \$10 adults, \$5 students and seniors. 703-913-3800 or www.fcps.edu/westspringfieldhs.

Brook Yoder, 8 p.m. at Kate's Irish Pub and Restaurant, 6131 Backlick Road Springfield. 703-866-0860 or www.katesirishpub.com.

FRIDAY/NOV. 21

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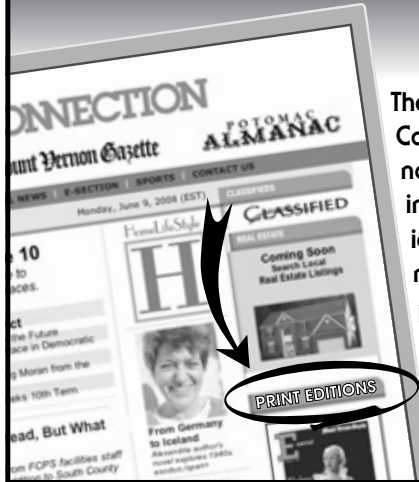
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Jazz for Justice Concert, 8 p.m. in the Concert Hall, George Mason Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. \$20 adults, \$15 students and seniors. 703-993-8794.

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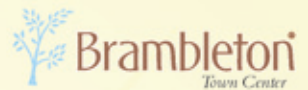


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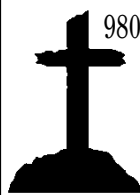
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❖ **David Roth Concert**, Saturday, Nov. 22, 7:30 p.m. at Adat Reyim. Bring a nonperishable food item for donation to ECHO (Ecumenical Communities Helping Others). Tickets are \$18 in advance and \$20 at the door. Tickets at www.AdatReyim.org.

❖ **Burke Hunger Walk**, Sunday, Nov. 23, 2 p.m. The 16th Annual Burke CROP (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) Hunger Walk, brings communities of faith together to support efforts to fight hunger. Contact SocialAction@AdatReyim.org.

❖ **Interfaith Thanksgiving Service**, Wednesday, Nov. 26, 7:30 p.m. at St. Mary's of Sorrows Catholic Church, 5222 Sideburn Road, Fairfax. Join members of Adat Reyim, Burke Presbyterian Church and The Rumi Forum at St. Mary's for a joint Thanksgiving service, an opportunity to unite with others in thanks, celebrate unity, and reflect on our blessings. 703-978-4141.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Christmas Bazaar is Saturday, Nov. 15, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Local crafters, a room just for children to shop in, a tea-room, and a Grandma's Attic with "nearly new" gifts. St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 6509 Sydenstricker Road, Burke. 703-455-2500.

St. Mary of Sorrows Holiday Express Craft and Gift Sale will be Saturday, Nov. 15 from 10 a.m.-7 p.m., and Sunday, Nov. 16 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m., at the Parish Hall, 5222 Sideburn Road, Fairfax. Sweet Shoppe, cafe and raffle table. Admission is free. All proceeds go to the parish. 703-250-3434.

Larry Jaffrey speaks on The Gospel of John through Jewish traditions and customs of the day Sunday, Nov. 16 at 6 p.m., at Grace Church, 9800 Burke Lake Road, Burke. 703 323-8033.

United Methodist Women's 22nd Annual Craft Fair. Thursday, Nov. 20 from 4-8 p.m., Friday, Nov. 21 from 11 a.m.-6 p.m., and Saturday, Nov. 22 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Free admission. Silent auction, juried arts and crafts, jewelry, pottery and more. Proceeds support Outreach programs. St. Matthew's United Methodist church, 8617 Little River Turnpike, Annandale. 703-425-3376.

Fairfax Presbyterian Church Thanksgiving Worship Service, Wednesday Nov. 26 at 7:30 p.m. 10723 Main St., Fairfax. 703-273-5300 or fpc@fairfaxpresby.com.

Western Fairfax Christian Ministries is looking for volunteers to provide food baskets at Thanksgiving and Christmas. Western Fairfax Ministries will provide information about a family in need, and the volunteer will deliver the basket(s) directly to the sponsored family. Contact Pam Ryan at 703-988-9656.

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GMU E-Mail Hacked

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of this.”

On campus, many students said their own instincts combined with the blatant contradiction between the two e-mails made the hoax a hard sell.

“I hoped that people weren’t stupid enough to believe it,” said junior Amanda Cook.

“I just deleted [the e-mails] because I had heard all of the rumors,” said senior Joe Dilberti.

“It was obviously bogus. How could the election be moved to another day?” said junior Kevin Shannon.

Other rumors of pre-election foul play had spread across campus. Sophomore Darlin Gutierrez said she had heard from other students about someone going dorm to dorm to inform students that, just like the e-mail from Stearns’ account, the election would be delayed until Wednesday, Nov. 5. Walsch said school administrators had heard similar stories around campus and at other schools, where students were falsely informed that voting would put their financial aid status in jeopardy.

The e-mails were sent through a listserv, an automated program that can send messages out to multiple addresses, in this case every student enrolled at GMU. In an e-mail sent Wednesday morning, GMU chief information officer Joy Hughes told students that the hacker used an outside Web server to create a mirror account that looked as if it had come from the provost’s office. Because the false e-mail was sent while the original message was still being delivered, the sender was able to gain access to the central list of names in GMU’s database.

“In order to avoid future incidents of this type, a manual verification step has been added to the central process to send announcements,” wrote Hughes.

Some students, like GMU junior Katie Cane, expressed surprise that someone could have gained access to the provost’s list.

“I was actually surprised that something like that could happen,” said Cane.

Others said it was a long time coming.

“I thought it was a riot. It shows people that ‘security’ is not what people thought it was,” said Shannon, who said he believed the hack was a prank done by a student.

Walsch said that GMU officials were reviewing any change in protocols needed to bolster security of the lists. He also said that he had yet to hear from a student who was fooled by the e-mail and didn’t vote.

“It’s more of an embarrassment than anything. We hope it didn’t inconvenience anyone or actually cause someone not to vote on Election Day,” said Walsch. “Nevertheless, we still take it seriously to the point where we will prosecute to the fullest extent if we do find the culprit.”

SCHOOL NOTES

Send notes to the Connection at south@connectionnewspapers.com or call 703-917-6459. Deadline is Friday. Dated announcements should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event.

Scholastic Press Association, for the sixth year in a row. Co-editors were 2008 graduates **Abebe Kebede, Jocelyn Best and Stephanie Quinn.**

Brook Chang of Clifton is on the Cornell University soccer team. The freshman plays forward, and is has scored six points so far this season. Chang is a 2008 graduate of Bishop O’Connell High School.

The Hayfield Secondary Homecoming court included seniors **Andreana Williams, Evelyn Mingle-Taylor and Hannah Moser**; juniors **Yodi Haile, Gigi Finney, Sean-Michael King and Elhan Uddin Shadan**; sophomores **Lauren Dalal and Allen Grey**; and freshmen **Kiara Coleman and Joe Fitzsimmons**. Several members of Katie Vitali’s American Sign Language class signed the National Anthem, including **Tarah Coley, Richard Eldridge, Kimie Daly, Cami Cardillo, Sam MacFiggan, Rachel Carroll, Jordan May, Mahpara Ahmad, Jasmine McKenney, Amber Banks, Marisa Mendez, Emma Wilson, Crystal Shutts, Darius Wilson, Kaitlyn Shanks, Anthony Wilson, Taylour Steeves and Shequela Wilson.**

The Hayfield Secondary Marching Band finished in second place at the Northern Virginia Marching Band Invitational at Herndon High School, and was awarded “Best Music.”

Hayfield Secondary School’s newsmagazine, H2N, has earned a Gold Medal rating from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association in all categories, including coverage, writing an editing, graphic presentation, and business operations. The newsmagazine also earned an All-American rating from the National

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PEOPLE



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Ciannait Fitzpatrick, an exchange teacher from England, on her first day of school at South County High School.

An 'English-English' Teacher

Ciannait Fitzpatrick is a Fulbright Teacher at South County High.

BY STEVE HIBBARD
THE CONNECTION

Ciannait Fitzpatrick, 34, is an "English-English" teacher. Originally from Surrey, England, she's teaching English at South County High School as part of the Fulbright Teacher Exchange Program for the 2008-09 school year.

Specifically, the Woodbridge resident is teaching grammar and literature to students in grades 9 and 12.

"It's amazingly different," says Ciannait (pronounced K-ear-na) of her South County experience. "The national curriculum is very different; the grading is different, and how school is set up is different."

HOW DIFFERENT? She said students in America are better behaved in certain aspects. "The people don't seem as stressed here as they are in England," she said. "And the parents seem to be far more involved in their child's education."

The Fulbright Teacher Exchange is an educational organization that exchanges teachers to countries worldwide. The program incorporates international

educators from 20 countries from around the world. To be accepted as a Fulbright teacher, the applicant has to have taught for four years in his or her country.

Fitzpatrick said the program matches a teacher to a school that has the same socioeconomic makeup of students — race, background, income, religion, etc. — as their own school work experience.

"They try to put you in the same age group," she said. "It's a lot harder than I originally thought."

Driving has also been an issue. Because everything is so spread out here, Fitzpatrick had to buy a car — a Ford Tempo. "Where I live now is very spread out, and in my home town, it's very small and you can get to places without a car," she said.

In terms of curriculum, she said in England, more is required from the students academically.

"In England, children are examined throughout their lives," she said. "They are aware of where they are in the structure of being academically intelligent. By the time they reach secondary school, they already know where they stand."

In the U.S., Fitzgerald said there's lots of praise for people regardless of their academic achievement. "Which is good, and that's why they have more self-esteem," she said.

Regarding Americans: "I think they're friendly," Fitzgerald said. "The people I work with are very helpful."

On the flip side, with her British accent, some people speak to her rather condescendingly, as if English isn't her primary language.

"The national curriculum is very different; the grading is different, and how school is set up is different."

— **Ciannait Fitzpatrick, originally from England**

HEALTH NOTES

Haven of Northern Virginia, 4606 Ravensworth Road, Annandale, will be offering two meetings on coping with the loss of a loved one. Saturday, Nov. 15, at 4 p.m. and on Thursday, Dec. 11, at 7:30 p.m. 703-941-7000 or www.havenofnova.org.

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SPORTS

New Coach, in Somewhat New Place

South County picks girls lacrosse coach, former George Mason assistant Liz Schaffner.

BY JASON MACKEY
THE CONNECTION

After interviewing to become the head coach of South County's girls lacrosse team on Thursday, Oct. 9, Elizabeth Schaffner returned home hoping to hear something by that following Monday or Tuesday.

When her phone rang that Friday, Schaffner was convinced that she had spelled her name wrong, listed the wrong address or otherwise botched some part of the application.

In reality, it was quite the opposite. "It was within hours after our interview that we said, 'This is our person,'" said South County director of student activities Mike Pflugrath, who assembled a four-person panel for the interview. "I think you could actually tell during the interview itself that she was clearly the one we wanted."

As an assistant women's lacrosse coach at George Mason from 1998-2008, Schaffner has been immersed in the Northern Virginia lacrosse scene for quite some time. She has also served as co-director of the SuperNoVA Select Lacrosse Club for the past five years.

Schaffner went to St. Mary's High School in Annapolis and played Division I-A women's lacrosse at Loyola College in Baltimore. At Loyola, Schaffner started 62 of 66 games on defense for a squad that lost only two conference games and 13 total.

When she graduated from Loyola in 1998, the Patriots' coach at that time and current Stanford coach Amy Bokker offered Schaffner a job coaching her team's defense and scouting opponents.

In her first season, Mason's defense allowed the fewest goals in school history (121). This past spring, the Patriots (12-5) ranked fifth in the nation in caused turnovers per game (10.9) and sixth in ground balls per game (21.1).

WHEN SPRING PRACTICE starts at South County, Schaffner hopes to emphasize stick work and individual defense, two things she feels are essential at the high school level.

"Players are always excited about scoring, and they want to run plays and do that

"These kids, honestly, can't be luckier."

— Amy Bokker



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As a player, Liz Schaffner was an All-American at St Mary's High School in Annapolis and went on to become a standout defender for Loyola College in Baltimore.

type of exciting stuff," Schaffner said. "But I definitely think the basics — stick work and individual defense — and then conditioning are the things that I'll probably focus on the most."

Schaffner inherits a South County program that has known no other coach than Barb Mahoney, who left after the 2008 sea-

son for a full-time assistant director of student activities position at West Potomac.

In three years, Mahoney won nearly 66 percent (29-15) of her games, while the Stallions lost in the first round of the regional tournament this past spring.

Schaffner has yet to see her new team play.

"I'm actually excited going into it not knowing what to expect," Schaffner said. "I like going in there with a clean slate. ... Let the players on the field show me what they have rather than having an idea of how they played last year, what they played or who played what position."

Schaffner might not have seen some of her new players play at the high school level. However, through SuperNoVA, she's developed a formidable club program and has seen or coached many of the top players from across the Northern Region.

With the club program, Schaffner oversees four teams, 80 players and eight coaches, with 18 of the Northern Region's 30 school having at least one representative.

"These kids, honestly, can't be luckier," said Amy Bokker, the head coach during Schaffner's 10 years at George Mason. Bokker recently accepted the job as head coach at Stanford University and she also helped Schaffner co-found the SuperNoVA club program.

"For the quality of coach she is, coming to a high school, I think she's going to do phenomenal," said Bokker.

Lake Braddock Girls on an 'O' Mission

After region crown, Bruins field hockey hits state tournament with one goal in mind.

BY JASON MACKEY
THE CONNECTION

Fielding questions after her team's latest conquest, a 2-0 victory over Westfield to claim the Northern Region title, Lake Braddock field hockey coach Diane Miller ended every answer in the exact same way.

"I'm just happy for the kids," she said. In her 28th year of work at the school on Burke Lake Road, Miller has been happy for thousands of "kids." Affectionately referred to as Coach "O" or simply just "O," Miller drew the loudest ovation Wednesday, Nov. 5., as she accepted the championship trophy from Lake Braddock principal David Thomas.

The win over Westfield marked the seventh time one of Miller's teams has lifted the region trophy, but one piece of hardware has eluded her — a Virginia AAA state championship.

"We can prove to her that this is what

we've been working for," said senior forward Annmarie Gambescia, who scored two minutes into the second half against Westfield. "I just wanted it so bad for her."

As the Bruins (22-1) travel to Virginia Beach for this weekend's state tournament, the current Lake Braddock team would like nothing more than to become the one squad that won a state title for Miller.

"After the game, they said they wanted to win the region and go to the state tournament," said Miller, whose team will face Maggie Walker Governor's School (Central Region runner-up) on Thursday at 3 p.m. "They realized those goals and what happens [at states] ... who knows. We're just glad to be going."

Forget the state playoffs, the Bruins were starting to fret about just getting to the Northern Region title game. They had suffered second-round exits during each of the past three years. The team last made a title game appearance when it lost to Woodson in 2002.

"They play hard for her and it shows."

— Leah Conte



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In her 28th season on the Lake Braddock sideline, coach Diane Miller won her 400th game on Oct. 20, 2008 and led her team to its seventh region crown last Wednesday. Miller has also won 18 district titles.

But Miller has coached every sort of team. She's had the talented, how-can-they-not-win-it types as well as scrappy groups that did it with hard work. Eighteen of her 27 teams have won district titles, though this

year's group suffered the loss that may well propel it into that state title game.

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SPORTS

Bruins Field Hockey Region Champs

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record, Miller's team began to get complacent. Lake Braddock faced a Patriot District semifinal matchup with Annandale on Oct. 21 and the Atoms stunned the Bruins, 2-0.

"It probably was the best thing that happened to us," Miller said. "I hate to say that because you want to win as many championships as you can, but in hindsight, that probably was a good thing."

"It made us realize that we're not indestructible," said senior midfielder Katie Klatt, who scored her seventh goal of the season — on a penalty stroke — against Westfield to stake the Bruins to a 2-0 lead. "We had to go into each game thinking it was the championship."

Like it has been trained to do, Lake Braddock just kept on running. A three-game jaunt through the region produced wins over Chantilly, Woodson and, finally, Annandale before the Bruins turned back Westfield last Wednesday.

And that leads to the paradox driving this relationship between a coach and her players. A taskmaster at practice, Miller has not only earned her players' respect but their admiration, too.

Miller has built a dynasty at Lake Braddock with relentless off-season conditioning. Every year since 1992, Miller's team has traveled to North Carolina for a series of intense preseason workouts. The players run nearly 40 miles during the weeklong



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Lake Braddock field hockey team will face Maggie Walker Governor's School (Central Region runner-up) on Thursday, Nov. 13, at 3 p.m. in Virginia Beach for the Virginia AAA state quarterfinals.

trip, but nobody ever complains.

When asked to identify one trait common throughout every Lake Braddock team she has seen, Leah Conte, who in four years has

built her own successful field hockey program at South County, didn't hesitate.

"They love to play for Miller," said Conte, whose team finished 18-4 this season and

claimed its first-ever Patriot District title. "They love her and they respect her. But the biggest thing is that they play hard for her and it shows."

WEEK IN SPORTS

Epstein Finishes Sixth at AAA Meet

Liana Epstein, a junior from Lake Braddock, finished in sixth place on Saturday at the Virginia AAA championship meet. She finished with a personal-best mark of 18 minutes, 46 seconds.

"I was very happy with how I did at states," she said. "The Great Meadow course is much different than Burke Lake [Park]. There are a lot more hills, the grass is a little longer and no part of it is on the road."

"She had a pretty good race," said Bruins coach Mike Mangan. "We were hoping to be in that front pack, but it's a pretty different style of course than we've run this year. I think in general she did pretty well, first team All-State and sixth overall is pretty darn good."

Epstein won her two previous meets, the Northern Region championship (17:47) on Oct. 30 and Patriot District meet (17:55) on Oct. 23. Both races were at Burke Lake Park.

When asked about how it differed from last year, Epstein said, "Well, it's very different. I felt like I was more a part of the competition. This year, I got top 10, and last year, I got 36th place. I felt like I was in the more competitive part of the race. I had more of a chance to succeed."

W.T. Woodson's Howes Recovers Well

In August, W.T. Woodson junior Erica Howes wasn't burning through a cross-country course. She was running in water and trying to rehabilitate multiple stress reactions in her knee, shin and femur.

Howes worked for weeks to gather the strength to merely complete a race, let alone dominate it, and finished the Glory Days Invitational on Oct. 11 in 19 minutes, 45 seconds.

But she continued to improve both performance- and health-wise over the next few weeks, finishing fourth at the Liberty District meet (18:06) on Oct. 22 and fifth at the Northern Region (18:06) race on Oct. 30.

"She's a really aggressive runner. She just doesn't fear anybody," said one of Woodson's three coaches, Craig Davis (Ron Katz and Casandra DeVaughn are the others), following Howes' third-place finish at last Saturday's Virginia AAA cross-country championships.

Running at Great Meadow in The Plains, Howes shook off any lingering effects from her early-season struggles, completing the 3.1-mile course in a personal-best 18:29, shaving 76 seconds off of her time from less than a month ago.

"I can't really wrap my head around it,"

said Howes, who transferred to W.T. Woodson this summer from Saratoga Springs, N.Y. "It's just so exciting. I'm glad I could show what I could do."

Maykoski All-CAA Second Team pick

Robinson graduate Teri Maykoski of the James Madison Dukes was awarded with second team All-Colonial Athletic Association honors for women's soccer. This is the second year in a row that Maykoski was named All-Conference. In 2006, she was named James Madison defense's most valuable player. She became a redshirt-junior this year after being sidelined with an injury throughout all of 2007. She was a four-time All-District player at Robinson, winning state, region and district championships in 2002.

Broadus, Savvides Given All-CAA honors

William and Mary's Mikala Savvides was named to the All-CAA second team and All-Rookie team for women's field hockey. A Lake Braddock graduate, Savvides tallied 10 points on four goals and two assists and was named CAA Rookie of the Week twice. During 2005 and 2006, Savvides earned All-

District and All-Region honors at Lake Braddock where the Bruins won district championships both years. She scored 34 goals and tallied 21 assists in her four years.

Degfae Brothers Make Top 15

In their final race at Great Meadow, Edison brothers Leoule and Tihut Degfae, both seniors, posted top 15 finishes. Leoule Degfae, who won Patriot District and Northern Region individual titles during the past two weeks, took third place with a time of 15 minutes, 29 seconds.

Tihut Degfae finished 13th, completing the 3.1-mile course in 15:59. Tihut Degfae had been bothered by an early-season hip flexor injury but showed no ill effects on Saturday.

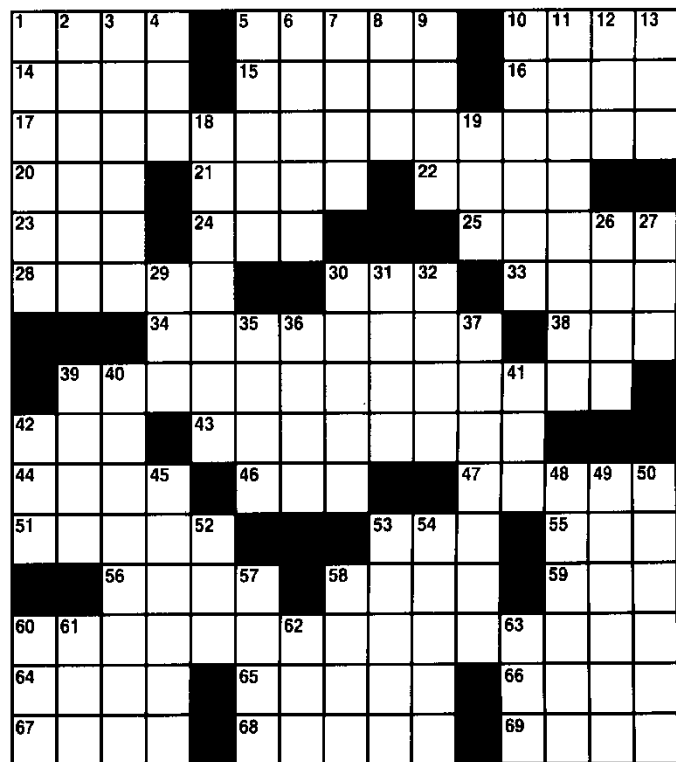
Tihut Degfae said, "I felt pretty good, so I started picking up people the second mile, and the third mile came around and I tried to work the hills and get a good spot for the finish."

"Nobody in the front was breathing hard, so you had to wait until the last stretch to see who was going to win," Leoule Degfae said. "I just ran with [the leaders] almost throughout the whole race until the last straightaway."

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- 5 Rogue
- 10 Kind of sax
- 14 Johnson of "Laugh-In"
- 15 Tyrolean refrain
- 16 Equal
- 17 Loses to a late-night host?
- 20 W.W. II Gen. — Arnold
- 21 "September —" (Neil Diamond hit)
- 22 Fuse
- 23 Prefix with cycle
- 24 Emissions control grp.
- 25 It may be wild
- 28 One of the Fondas
- 30 Tout's hangout, briefly
- 33 Agile
- 34 Initiates
- 38 Menlo Park monogram
- 39 Fills in for an actor?
- 42 Shade maker
- 43 Exposed as false

- 44 Ali —
- 46 Old geog. initials
- 47 Bar at the bar
- 51 "Mr. Tambourine Man" group, with "the"
- 53 Cutting tool
- 55 Capek play
- 56 Put in or take out, maybe
- 58 "Peter Pan" pirate
- 59 "Make — double"
- 60 What the foreign car driver does after a trip?
- 64 Look longingly at
- 65 Japanese commercial district
- 66 Together, in music
- 67 Incite
- 68 Have the helm
- 69 Sew up

DOWN

- 1 Mom's pre-meal instruction
- 2 Mysterious
- 3 "Enough!"
- 4 A pop
- 5 On-line V.I.P.

- 6 Deadly snake
- 7 Yemen's Gulf of —
- 8 Funnyman Brooks
- 9 Clear the roads, in a way
- 10 Lunchbox items
- 11 Approach carefully, as a subject
- 12 Social
- 13 N.H.L. Hall-of-Famer since 1979
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- 19 United
- 26 Grouch
- 27 Pupil's locale
- 29 Plumbing connection
- 30 Transpire
- 31 Compared to
- 32 Bill
- 35 Puts to work
- 36 Catches
- 37 Blessed events?
- 39 Be in the game
- 40 Kind of insurance policy
- 41 Law degs.
- 42 Go back
- 45 Confused
- 48 Vacuum tube with three elements
- 49 Beat to the finish line
- 50 Hoped for the best
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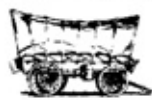
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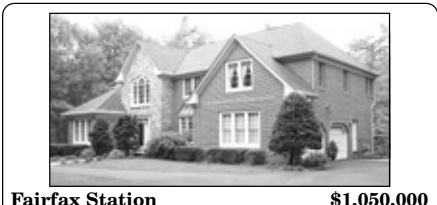
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