

**October
means
hard work
and hard
partying**

VOLUNTEER

See Page 3 for all the contact information you need to get involved.

PARTY

See Page 4 for lots of opportunities to eat, drink, hoot at the GOP and bid on behalf of Barbara Favola

VOTE

And, please, don't forget to vote! So you can work Election Day, or just avoid the crush, vote early. It's legal and it's all explained on Page 3.

Garvey wins with red/blue chili

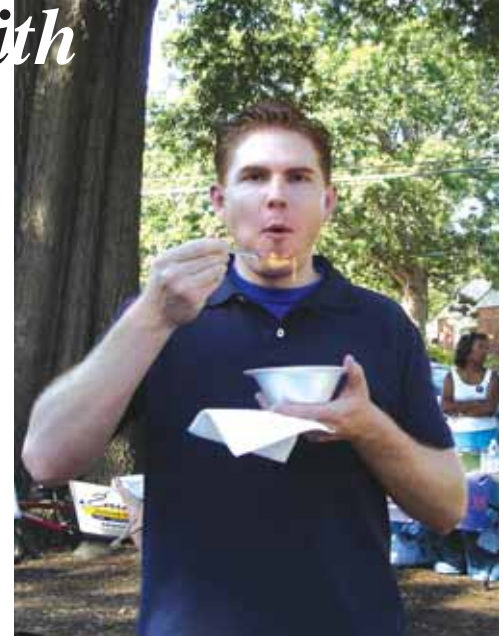
Libby Garvey's "Red Hot and Very Blue Chili," prepared by Dale Proctor, took the People's Choice Award at this year's Chili Cookoff.

This is the first win of two in two months (the latter being in the General Election in November) for the School Board candidate.

First Runner Up—and the first and only time the Obama campaign will come in second in Virginia—went to the Obama campaign's "Ready to Go" chili, prepared by Kate Maliga.

The awards were only a part of the fun and politicking at the annual Labor Day (and first Gold Card) event. More than two hundred people came out on a clear and sunny day to kick off the campaign season, sample the best chili in town, and otherwise have a GOT (grande olde time)!

The event was organized by first-timer Michelle McCall like a seasoned pro.



WOW — You can almost see the smoke rising as Chris King sampled this chili.

Here's what to do to keep getting The Voice

Last month *The Voice* announced that, as of the December 2008 edition (which is published in late November), the newsletter will only be available online. Due to the heavy cost of printing and mailing, the print edition will no longer be available.

Now we're going to tell you how to ensure that you may continue to read election analysis, feature articles and other information of interest to Arlington Democrats.

A little-known fact: You can already read *The Voice* online at the ACDC web site, www.arlingtondemocrats.org. On the left-hand side of the home page, click on "Read *The Voice*." It has been available there for years! It is in full color and looks great! Check it out now!

However, in order to ensure that you know when the latest edition of *The Voice* has

been published, you will need to provide ACDC with your email address and you will receive a monthly reminder with a link you can click on to go directly to the newsletter.

To do this, you just go to the ACDC website, www.arlingtondemocrats.org, and on the home page click on "Sign up to receive *The Voice* electronically." Then fill out the easy form. That's all. **DO IT NOW!**

For those who do not have email—and ONLY for those individuals—if you would like to continue to receive a print version of *The Voice*, fill out the form on page seven and mail it to ACDC headquarters. At this time, we cannot guarantee there will continue to be a print version. This will depend entirely on the number of requests received and the cost and time effectiveness of producing and mailing a print copy.

Report from Chairman Peter Rousselot

Obama: Yes, we can!

In times of national crisis, a natural leader will inspire all of us to join together to meet the challenge. Without inspiration, we stray off course. Barack Obama has risen within reach of the American Presidency because he is uniquely gifted to inspire our nation in times of crisis at home and abroad. Jealous adversaries have belittled Obama's gifts for oratory as "just words." In their days, the same was said of Lincoln, FDR, and JFK by their less-gifted opponents.

In her wonderful recent biography of FDR, Jean Smith captured his inspirational leadership at the moment of his first inaugural address:

"The vast crowd stilled, sensing the destiny of the moment. Roosevelt's voice was firm and reassuring, instilling confidence by tone and example. 'This great Nation will endure as it has endured, will revive and will prosper. So, first of all, let me assert my firm belief that the only thing we have to fear is fear itself—nameless, unreasoning, unjustified terror which paralyzes efforts to convert retreat into advance.'... The effect of the speech was electrifying, the praise all but unanimous." [FDR, by Jean Smith, Random House Paperback ed., pp.302-303 (2008).]

After eight years of ruinous economic policies at home and disastrous foreign policies abroad, the Republican Party, sensing the

earthquake that is about to consume it, and contrary to the wishes of much of its base, has nominated for president a Vietnam war hero who is unfit to lead us. John McCain endured horrible torture in Vietnam, and deserves America's admiration and praise for that heroism. But, the John McCain who comes before us 40 years later seeking our Presidency is a brittle and unsure hot head who is so out of touch with the ordinary concerns of Americans that he cannot be entrusted with that office.

A man who doesn't know how many houses he owns, who cannot use a personal computer despite being in positions of leadership in the Senate (including chair of the Senate Commerce Committee) throughout the time the personal computer was developed, and who is prepared to roll the dice of our nation's leadership by choosing Sarah Palin as his VP nominee (passing over many others in his party, including leaders like Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison of Texas), is a man who lacks the temperament and judgment to be President of the United States.

Our current economic crisis starkly illustrates why we need President Obama. If you believe our economy needs to change, there's only one choice in this election. Barack Obama will bring the change we need by reversing the policies of the last eight years and

rebuilding an economy that works for the middle class. He'll break the grip of the special interests, and put the middle class first by giving a tax break of up to \$1,000 to 95 percent of hard working Americans. Under Barack Obama's plan, middle class families will benefit from the lowest income tax rates in over 50 years. And overall taxes will be below what they were under Ronald Reagan. Barack Obama will create jobs by ending tax breaks for companies that ship jobs overseas and by cutting taxes for small businesses and companies that create jobs in America.

What about John McCain? Despite the current crisis in the American economy, John McCain's initial, instinctive reaction to the bankruptcy of Lehman Brothers—an investment bank that withstood the American Civil War, the Great Depression, and two world wars, was to claim that "the fundamentals of our economy are strong." Let me tell you: the fundamentals of our economy are not strong. Even here in Northern Virginia, where we've had great leadership at the state and local level, the fundamentals of our economy are not strong.

McCain believes "we've made great progress economically" under George Bush—with whom he has voted 90 percent of the time. McCain himself has admitted, truthfully, that he doesn't understand economics very well. If he did understand economics better, he would be aware that unemployment is at a five-year high, home values are plummeting, and household incomes have dropped \$2,000. John McCain doesn't get it. He wants to give nearly \$2 trillion in tax breaks for corporations over the next 10 years, but doesn't offer any tax relief to 101 million families or to any small business. In fact, he'll raise taxes by \$3.6 trillion on health insurance for average Americans. While Americans can barely afford a tank of gas, he'll give billions in tax breaks to Big Oil.

That's not change we can believe in; that's not change we can afford—that's not change at all. That's just more of the same failed Bush economics that got us into this recession to begin with. Bush, McCain and their allies have argued for years that padding the pockets of the wealthy would trickle down. Well, now the economic mess they created is trickling up. So, the choice in this election is clear. If you are better off than you were eight years ago and want four more years of a president who puts the biggest corporations first, then you should vote for John McCain. If you believe that it's time for fundamental change in Washington and a president who puts the middle class first, then you'll vote for Barack Obama.

Jerry Botland

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**Next Monthly Meeting—
All Dems Invited**

Wednesday, October 1, 2008, 7 p.m.

NRECA Building, 4301 Wilson Blvd
*Corner of North Taylor and Wilson, just east of Glebe & Wilson
 Free parking under building, enter from Taylor Street*

Please bring a box of cereal to the meeting. Since we began the cereal drive in June, each month has seen more boxes for the Arlington Food Assistance Center (AFAC). We are helping to feed over 800 families.

***Bumper Sticker
of the Month***

***Ask me how
many houses
I own!***

Avoid the crush – Vote early (but not often)

This isn't Chicago. We don't vote *often* on Election Day in Arlington. But we can vote *early*—and avoid the long lines that attend presidential elections.

You can vote right now—yes, weeks before the madding crowds of Election Day. The only legal requirement is that you must be planning to be out of the county at some point on Election Day. You only have to go to Falls Church for one minute to smell the roses, or you can go to Fairfax County for hours to enjoy the traffic.

You can vote through Saturday, Nov. 1 in **Room 109** of the **County Building, 2100 Clarendon Blvd.** near the intersection of Vietch Street and beside the Courthouse Metro entrance. Here are the hours:

- Weekdays – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (closed October 13)
- Saturdays – 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Evening hours – Until 7 p.m.
 - Tuesdays, October 21 and 28
 - Wednesdays, October 22 and 29
 - Thursdays, October 9, 16, 23, 30

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES:

October 6 – Last day to register to vote

October 28, 5 p.m. – Last hour to submit an application for mail-in absentee ballot

November 4 (Election Day), 7 p.m. – Deadline for Arlington County to receive completed absentee ballots.

***Ways to help
win in Virginia
for the entire
Dem slate***

It's crunch time!
The home stretch!

October is when we go all out to ensure victory. The Obama campaign, the Coordinated Campaign and the Joint Campaign are all registering voters, conducting phone banks, providing visibility at county and neighborhood events and canvassing neighborhoods.

Here is the contact information for those campaigns so you can volunteer:

OBAMA

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703-741-0295

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Don't miss this trio of five events

Watch all the debates

Be there or be square! As the second event of the Gold Card series, Arlington Democrats are hosting the hottest debate parties in town at Bailey's Pub and Grille in the Ballston Common Mall, 4238 Wilson Blvd.

It's better than mud-wrestling and cheaper than a movie with popcorn! Watch with your fellow Dems as Barack Obama takes on John McSame and Joe Biden makes moosemeat of Sarah Palin!

Mark these dates on your calendars: **October 2 (VP), October 7, and October 15.** The Dem area of Bailey's will be smoke-free for all the debates.

Come as early as 8 p.m. to enjoy debate-related games and socialize with your fellow Arlington Democrats before the debates begin. The debates start at 9 p.m.

Gold Card members get in FREE. General admission is \$10 per debate to help fund all the materials and GOTV for this critical election. Each attendee will receive a ticket for one beer or glass of wine.

Questions? Please contact **Christine Lamb** at christine.lamb@gmail.com. You may RSVP on www.my.barackobama.com.

Gorge at the Golden Gala

The crescendo is building to ... the Golden Gala. After all the hours spent on voter registration, door-to-door canvassing, and conversations at the farmer's markets, pause for a few hours to rev up for the mother of all Get Out the Vote (GOTV) efforts at the Joint Campaign's grand finale—the Golden Gala.

Don't let the goblins keep you away. Please join Arlington's elected officials and other luminaries on Halloween Eve, Thursday, Oct. 30, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the home of **Patricia and Tom Connally**, 3510 Roberts Lane. You can count on fiery oratory, last minute strategizing and great Democratic company. Expect a classy evening with a scrumptious menu prepared by the fabled "Kitchen Crew."

This is your last chance to contribute to the Joint Campaign's GOTV activities/materials to help Arlington turn Virginia Blue. Gold Card membership entitles you to attend. For others, the fee schedule is: Patrons \$250; Sponsors \$150; Friends \$85; Roosevelt Society \$75; AYDs/Seniors: \$50. Please RSVP to **Judy Connally** at (703) 536-6034.

Bid, bid, bid at Auction

Come to the annual County Board candidate auction in October to see normally staid Democrats engage in ruthless bidding for vacation bookings, tickets to sporting events, concerts, and just plain old bric-a-brac. Make a ruthless bid yourself!

The auction is to benefit the County Board campaign of **Barbara Favola**, who will face Green Party opponent John Reeder in November. It's a fund-raising event, but also a wild FUN-raising event every year.

The dinner and auction will be held **Friday, October 10**, from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Arlington Unitarian Universalist Church, 4444 Arlington Blvd, at the intersection of Route 50 and S. George Mason Drive.

The reception and silent auction start at 6 p.m., dinner is at 7 p.m., with the live auction beginning around 8 p.m.

The auction committee is gathering great items for the highest bidder but needs your help. Organizers are always on the prowl for more donations of lunches, dinners, autographed books, tickets to sporting events, services, gift certificates, vacation and weekend getaways, fine arts and crafts, political memorabilia, baskets of goodies—just name it. It's a great way to publicize a small business. To donate, volunteer to help, or for more information, please contact **Mary Dooley**, auction coordinator, at (703) 486-0120, or mdooley@mpdmortgage.com

Basic admission is \$25 per person which includes dinner. From there, it's going, going, GONE!

Calendar items

To submit items for the calendar—both for the website or The Voice—go to <http://www.arlingtondemocrats.org/submitevent.phtml>.

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Moran works to maximize the turnout here

The Moran for Congress campaign is working hard to turn out the vote in Northern Virginia to re-elect Jim Moran, send Senator Barack Obama to the White House and Governor Mark Warner to the U.S. Senate.

Our campaign is working with the Arlington Joint Campaign, the Virginia Coordinated Campaign, the Campaign for Change and Mark Warner's campaign to bring out every Democratic vote in Arlington and turn Virginia blue from the bottom to the top of the ticket.

But the campaign staff can't do it alone. They need your help. Every Tuesday and Thursday evening until the election they are running phone banks at EdOptions, Inc., 3440 N. Fairfax Dr., to identify and persuade Virginia voters to vote Obama, Warner and Moran. They are also recruiting volunteers to canvass on weekends across Arlington and Northern Virginia for all Democratic candidates.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact **Amy Lewis** at (703) 528-8588 or amy@jim Moran.org. Congressman Moran also has a number of upcoming campaign events including the American Association of University Women Forum on October 6, at 6 p.m. at the Library Auditorium and the Radnor/Ft. Myer Heights Civic Association Debate on October 14 at 7p.m.



JIM MORAN

Donkey Ears

*Listening to the doings
of Arlington's Dems*

**as overheard by
Dan Steen and Warren Nelson**



The village of New York: It's a small, small world. **Tom Connally**, precinct captain in Thrifton, took his kids to the Big Apple recently and they all went out to Liberty Island in New York Bay. Guess what they saw there? Well, yes, the Statue of Liberty, of course. But they also bumped into **Peter Owen**, ACDC deputy secretary, who was also there to gawk at the statue.

On the little screen: If you were watching the Denver convention, then you saw Arlington's own **Terron Sims** in the video shown on the third night to honor the military. Terron, an Iraqi war veteran, was shown telling a crowd, "There's nothing wrong with a man having fear. But there is something wrong with a man allowing fear to control his actions."

Leone data file: Many in Arlington are unhappy with the limited coverage of Virginia politics in the DC-area media. Now, Arlington's **Frank Leone**, one of four folks recently elected to represent Virginia on the Democratic National Committee, aims to rectify that with a new website, DemRulz.org. Check it out. It will include lots of news on state party activities with links and references to other information sources. He's also posted a bookshelf of must-read works on Virginia politics.

After four years, he's back: Four years ago, **Greg Lane** was precinct captain in Oakland when his business transferred him to California. Now Greg is back in Arlington. And he's brought a wife, Amy a toddler, Brady—and in a few weeks will add a baby daughter. He's still with Saint Consulting Group, which designs political campaigns for zoning and land use battles. Here, Greg will be heading Saint's Mid-Atlantic Division, taking over from another Arlington Dem, **Ben Kellahan**, who has been promoted to senior VP.

Now he's gone: **Jeremy Caverly** started the campaign as precinct captain in Virginia Square. But before he could even make it to the Chili Cookoff, he was cramming his truck and heading off to South Florida to be a consultant to the Joe Garcia for Congress campaign in Florida's 25th District. This is a targeted district and happens to be just a hundred miles from where Jeremy grew up. Of course, that also means hurricanes.

Another goner: And another mid-campaign loss as **James Ullrich**, editor of the AYD newsletter, accepted a position with the American Cancer Society as director of federal government relations in the northwest, based in Seattle. Of course, that means rain—but no hurricanes.

We're Number Three: We keep saying that everyone rates Virginia as very competitive this fall in the presidential race. Well, here's proof that the national campaign looks at us that way. During June and July, the Obama campaign spent more than \$2 million on broadcast advertising in each of just five states. The biggest bucks went into Florida, the Land of the Hanging Chad, followed in order by Pennsylvania, Virginia, Ohio and Michigan. Now, we're Number Three. In the previous half-century, we barely made the top 50!

Report from the Denver convention

Bridgit Donnelly is a 2007 graduate of Washington-Lee High School in Arlington and has completed her freshman year at Barnard College. She is taking the first semester of her sophomore year off to work as a field organizer for the Virginia Coordinated Campaign and has also worked for the Obama campaign in various capacities during the past year. She was elected a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in Denver from Virginia's 8th Congressional District and will celebrate her 20th birthday in October. The Voice asked her to share her experiences and impressions as a first-time convention-goer.

It was a dream come true when I was elected a Virginia delegate from the Eighth District and a once in a lifetime experience that I will never forget. I was one of a number of Arlingtonians who traveled to Denver in August to nominate the next president of the United States. [Others, including those who attended in other capacities, were **Bob Brink, Frank Leone, Margo Horner, Allida Black, Kevin Wolf, Jay Fiset, Kevin Vincent, Voncille Hines, Julie Agarwal, Venkat Murthy, Evan Day, and Allison Umberger.**]

Besides having a great time and witnessing history, I learned a lot about how conventions work and I'm armed with new knowledge for my next convention. Here are some suggestions for future first-time delegates:

1. Get elected a delegate of a battleground state. Seating on the convention floor is based on several factors, but the biggest is the likelihood to turn from red to blue. In the past Virginia has been seated far in the back but this year we were located directly behind Illinois, front and center. Every night, I was sitting less than 20 rows away from some of the greatest politicians in the country, from Ted Kennedy to Joe Biden to Barack Obama.

2. Keep track of events and make sure you RSVP. A month or so before the convention, you will start getting mail from every liberal group in the country, from Rock the Vote to Planned Parenthood. Each of these groups hosts a party every night, which is a huge part of the convention experience. However, many of them are RSVP only and the dates are well before the Convention convenes. Don't worry if you miss out, however, because there's always a state delegation party sponsored by local politicians or PACs.

3. Get to the convention hall early (or send a friend) if you want a good seat. The Convention convened at 3 p.m. each day, but none of the major speakers started until 7 or 8. Many



Arlington's Bridgit Donnelly (right) campaigning with the next president.

of the delegates would roll in at about 5 or 6, but it was a mad rush for seats at that point, especially since we had prime real estate. Get there at 3 and then have someone save your seat while you wander. In addition, a different religious denomination gives the invocation every day, which is very interesting. One day there was a rabbi, another was a Native American, and another was a traditional Christian priest. It was a great way to incorporate faith with modern politics

4. Bring food with you to the Convention Hall. In Denver, the convention was held at the Pepsi Center, normally a basketball stadium, and the space came complete with stereotypical stadium food – hot dogs, soda, fries, etc. Besides not being healthy, they also would not allow food onto the floor, meaning you had to scarf down your dinner in the hall. Instead, I ate a late lunch, and then sneaked in snack food in my bag. Regardless of whether or not you bring food, definitely bring water. It can easily get past security, and you'll be glad you brought it when it gets to be 7 and they aren't letting people out to grab water and come back in for fire code reasons.

5. TiVo the speeches at home. The convention floor is loud and always bustling. The Virginia delegation was right in the thick of it. Because of our stellar seats, people were always gathered around us. I have pictures of everybody from Andrea Mitchell of MSNBC to Kal Penn of *Harold and Kumar* to Richard Schiff of *The West Wing*. Unfortunately, this hustle and bustle often distracted from some of the best speeches, so I ended up rewatching them on YouTube or MSNBC later that night.

6. Don't skip out on roll call. You may

be wondering how the actual voting thing works. Wednesday morning before our daily delegation breakfast, we all signed in and voted for either Hillary Clinton or Barack Obama. Later that day, at 3 p.m., the Convention reconvened and the roll call began. Nancy Pelosi went through each state and asked for their votes. This was easily the most exciting part of the entire Convention. When New Mexico gave the floor to Illinois, the Convention Hall buzzed with excitement. MSNBC correspondent David Gregory was surrounded by the Illinois delegation ready to announce that Barack Obama had officially been named the Democratic nominee. Then Illinois shook things up even more and bounced the floor to New York. Hillary Clinton came out and the hall went nuts. She moved that the convention nominate Obama by acclamation. The excitement and feeling of unity was electric. It's a moment I will never forget. (Virginia never did get to publicly cast its votes but they were duly recorded by the secretary of the convention and placed in the official record).

7. There's time to sleep after the convention. Chances are, it's a once in a lifetime opportunity. Don't waste it. Take advantage of every moment, drink lots of coffee, and sleep later.

If there's one thing I took away from the Convention and the weeks that followed, it's that there's so little time left. We don't have any time to waste. We can't afford another four years of Bush doctrine. The time is now. How we spend the remaining days until Nov. 4 will determine the future of the country for the next four years. Let's make it count.

The campaign by the numbers

- 49,000 – new voters registered in Virginia in August
- 12,823 – number of new voters registered in Arlington County, an increase of 9.07%
- An average of 1,300 @ month – number of new voters registered in Arlington since November
- 61 per cent – number of those new voters who are 30 years old or under
- 20 per cent – number of those new voters between 30 and 40
- 51 per cent – number of first-time primary voters in

- the February Democratic presidential primary
- 66 – number of precinct parties held in Arlington to watch Obama's acceptance speech
- 125,000 – number of doors Obama volunteers knocked on in Virginia in August
- 1,200 – number of calls made in Spanish
- 200 – number of Arlington Young Democrats' dues-paying members—a milestone
- 15,000 – pieces of mail sent by AYD to young voters urging them to update their voter registrations and telling them about in-person and absentee balloting.
- 18,233 – number of envelopes hand-addressed for upcoming Arlington Dollars for Democrats drive
- 894 – John McCain's ranking in his class of 899 at the U.S. Naval Academy 50 years ago



TAIL WAGGER . . . — Mollie, the dachshund belonging to Beth Holtzclaw, precinct captain in Dominion Hills, has declared her vote.

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ACDC Calendar 2008

October

1, Wednesday

7-9 p.m. — **ACDC General Membership Meeting**, NRECA Conference Center, 4301 N Wilson Blvd., garage parking (Ballston Metro).

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6-9 p.m. — **Team Englin Vol Night for Obama/Warner**, Home of Del. David Englin, 1505 Wayne St, Alexandria. Join this effort of mailings, door-knocking and other grassroots organizing. Pizza, drinks provided. RSVP to 703-549-3202 or info@davidenglin.org

1, Wednesday

5-9 p.m. — **Annual Constituent and Community Outreach Cook-out**. Tancil Court, Alexandria. Join us in the Berg public housing neighborhood, with Team Englin and the Obama campaign to register new voters and canvass door-to-door. RSVP to info@davidenglin.org or 703-549-3203. (Location: The courtyard at Tancil Ct., off of N Fairfax St between Princess St and Oronoco St.)

2, Thursday

8-11 p.m. — **Vice Presidential Debate Watching Party**. Bailey's Sports Pub, inside Ballston Mall, Randolph St. & Wilson Blvd. Watch Joe Biden take on Sarah Palin with your fellow Democrats! *Our area of Bailey's will be designated SMOKE-FREE and attendees will receive a ticket for one beer/glass of wine with their entry. Enjoy a few debate-related games.* Gold Card Members get in FREE. For others, the cost is \$10 per debate.

3, Friday

Midnight — **Midnight Media Sign Madness**. Campaign signs officially go up in medians countywide. To volunteer for this Joint Campaign event, contact Jody Olson at jody_olson@hotmail.com, Madi Green at yellowdog22207@yahoo.com or Jay Fisette at jay@fisette.org.

7, Tuesday

8-11 p.m. — **2nd Presidential Debate Watching Party**. Bailey's Pub & Grille, 4238 Wilson Boulevard at Randolph Street inside the

Ballston Mall. Watch Barack Obama take on John McCain with your fellow Democrats! *Our area of Bailey's will be designated SMOKE-FREE and attendees will receive a ticket for one beer/glass of wine with their entry. Enjoy a few debate-related games.* Gold Card Members get in FREE. For others, the cost is \$10 per debate.

10, Friday

6 p.m. — **County Board Dinner & Auction**. Unitarian Universalist Church, Rt 50 and George Mason Dr. Come out to support candidate Barbara Favola in her re-election bid for County Board at this Annual event. Admission price of \$25 includes; silent auction, dinner and live auction.

11, Saturday

4 p.m. — **"New Americans" United for Rep. Jim Moran**. Busboys & Poets Cafe, Shirlington Village. Suggested contributions: Host \$1,000; Sponsor \$350-\$500; Patron \$150-\$300; Friend \$75-\$100. RSVP to Hannah Margetich or Joe Easton at 703-299-0064, or e-mail at event@moranforcongress.org.

15, Wednesday

8 – 11 p.m. — **3rd Presidential Debate Watching Party**. Bailey's Pub & Grille, 4238 Wilson Boulevard at Randolph Street. Inside the Ballston Mall. Watch Barack Obama take on John McCain with your fellow Democrats! *Our area of Bailey's will be designated SMOKE-FREE and attendees will receive a ticket for one beer/glass of wine with their entry. Enjoy a few debate-related games.* Gold Card Members get in FREE. For others, the cost is \$10 per debate.

30, Thursday

6:30-8:30 p.m. — **Annual Golden Gala**. At the home of Patricia and Tom Connally, 3510 Roberts Lane. Drinks and an appetizer buffet will be served. Join fellow Democrats in celebrating the end of a successful campaign. Tickets are; \$250 (Patron), \$150 (Sponsor), \$85 (Friend), \$75 (Roosevelt Society), \$50 (AYD/Seniors) and Free to Gold Card holders. Dress is business casual. Proceeds go to the Arlington Democratic Joint Federal Campaign. For more info contact Golden Gala co-chair, Aileen Whitfill, at acwhitfill@verizon.net or 703-241-5750 (h) or 703-772-1893 (c)

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