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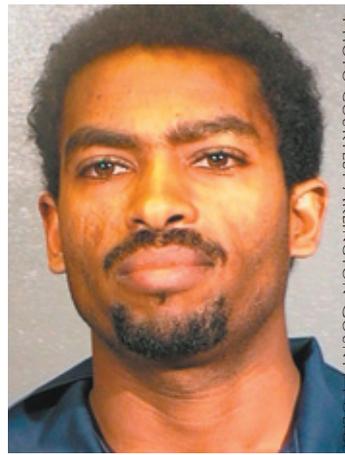
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Sirak Manbegirot

Man Charged With Killing Wife

Sirak Manbegirot, a 28-year-old Arlington man, was charged with the murder of his wife last week, the first murder charges made in the county this year.

Manbegirot was arrested early last week after Arlington police officers responding to a domestic dispute on the 1200 block of South Thomas Street and found his wife, Metshet Habtamu, 26, of Arlington, unresponsive with injuries to her head and neck. According to a police spokesperson Detective Crystal Nosal, police were alerted to the incident after Manbegirot called the police to request assistance.

"It's not unusual from us to receive calls [from suspected perpetrators], especially if it's a known victim," she said. "It's not like it's a stranger."

Nosal also said that Manbegirot did not make an admission of guilt in his phone call to the police. According to Nosal, police believe that the motive for the killing was a domestic argument.

Habtamu was treated on the scene and transported to a local hospital but succumbed to her injuries two days later. "She was in the hospital for a few days before she passed away," Nosal said. "We were hoping she'd pull through but that was not meant to be."

Habtamu is survived by her young son and other family members.

After the death of his wife, Manbegirot, who is from Ethiopia, was charged with homicide and is being held at the Arlington County Detention Facility without bond.

New Civic Federation President

The Arlington County Civic Federation selected Frances Finta as its newest president last week.

The group, which is a coalition of Arlington County neighborhoods that advises the County Board on local issues, elected Finta as its president on a unanimous vote. She has been involved with the Civic Federation for years, previously serving in a variety of leadership positions.

Finta also has a history in Arlington politics. In 1999, she and Mike Lane ran for County Board on the Republican ticket against Democrats Paul Ferguson and Charles Monroe. Finta lost that election, receiving 29 percent of the vote, but has been involved in local issues ever since.

Finta will be replacing Larry Mayer, who is stepping down from the Civic Federation leadership. At the Civic Federation's June meeting, Mayer said that he felt the group's incoming leaders are a "strong slate."

Primary Coverage

Primary elections for the 8th district Congressional seat, which covers Arlington, Alexandria, Falls Church and parts of Fairfax County, were held this week after the Connection's deadline for this issue. U.S. Rep. Jim Moran (D-8), the incumbent in the race, ran against local lawyer Matt Famiglietti for the Democratic nomination. Alexandria businessman Mark Ellmore ran against Amit Singh, an Arlington defense contractor, in the Republican primary race.

—DAVID SCHULTZ



Stranded passengers wait outside the Rosslyn station.

Train Derails, No Injuries

An Orange Line Metro chain jumped its tracks causing major delays.

BY DAVID SCHULTZ
THE CONNECTION

A six-car Orange Line Metro train jumped off its tracks Monday, causing major delays in Arlington but no injuries.

The train derailment occurred between the Rosslyn and Court House Metro Stations at approximately 2:45 p.m. on Monday afternoon amid temperatures in the mid-90s. The incident caused all Orange Line trains to share tracks between the Foggy Bottom and Clarendon Stations, creating massive delays during rush hour and forcing many commuters to unexpectedly revise their routes home.

"We're getting a friend to pick us up," said Steve Ramaley, who was waiting outside the Rosslyn Metro Station with his friend Steve Shapiro. Ramaley said that the delays from the derailment weren't as bad as the ones from the week before, when strong thunderstorms forced the temporary closure of Orange Line trains in Northern Virginia.

As for dealing with the oppressive heat, Ramaley said that he's just trying to "man up."

Jennifer Moones also called a friend to pick her up from the Rosslyn station. "I didn't think I'd be able to get all the way home," said the Reston resident. Unfortunately, her friend was stuck

in traffic on I-66 and she was forced to wait for over 20 minutes at the station.

The train derailment forced travelers to be flexible. Sara Wieseneck of Arlington and her friends were trying to get back to her home near the Virginia Square Metro Station but, after a frantic cell phone conversation, decided to get off at Rosslyn. "We had to change our plans," she said.

Catherine Norman said that the situation was made all the worse by the extreme weather. "I would have walked home if it wasn't for the heat," she said.

Many commuters chose to stay in their air-conditioned offices a little longer than usual to try to wait out the train problems. Lorene Kluge, an employee of Arlington County's Department of Transportation, was one of those who delayed their trip home.

She said she didn't want to try to use the train to get back to her home in Silver Spring because she was stuck in a train tunnel last summer when the temperatures were high and it was very unpleasant. "[I] didn't want to take a chance again," she said."



The scene outside the Rosslyn Metro station after a derailed train created massive delays.



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This home at 1402 N. Glebe Road saw severe damage from last week's storms.

Emergency crews work on clearing a downed tree out of the yard of a house in Arlington.

Strong Storms Wreak Havoc

**"Trees were blowing sideways."
— Alex Deucher**

Fierce thunderstorms cause power outages and test the County's new emergency response system.

BY DAVID SCHULTZ
THE CONNECTION

On Wednesday afternoon, Alex Deucher was sitting in his home on Glebe Road north of Washington Boulevard when he heard a loud snapping noise. Immediately afterwards, all the electricity in his house went out.

Deucher was startled but not surprised by the incident. A particularly violent thunderstorm that brought torrential rains and up to 60 mile per hour wind gusts was passing through his area. Young trees in his front "blowing sideways," he said.

Once the weather had sufficiently calmed down, Deucher stepped outside and discovered what had happened.

An approximately 40-foot tall tree in the yard of his neighbor's house had been completely uprooted and had fallen onto a group of power lines, knocking out a transformer. The tree's branches fell directly onto southbound Glebe Road, causing traffic to be diverted.

THIS WAS ONE of many incidents caused by the extreme weather that came to the area last week. A fast moving and severe storm system caused tens of thousands of power outages, some lasting for days afterwards.

Barrett Elementary School in West Arlington, for one, had to be closed the entire day after the storms because power still had not

been restored.

"It moved so rapidly into this area that we didn't have time to set up," John Crawford, director of Arlington County's Emergency Communications Center, said.

Crawford is in charge of coordinating the response when a catastrophic event such as this occurs. Recently, the County upgraded its Emergency Communications Center and Crawford said that this was the first test of

the new equipment and facility. "We passed the test," he said.

ON A NORMAL Wednesday afternoon, Crawford said, the Emergency Communications Center receives around 250 calls for assistance. On this day, the center received more than 600 in a two-hour span.

"We were processing calls from motorists, trees down, lines down," Crawford said, "Not to mention our other emergencies that routinely occur throughout the day. We were sending Police, Fire and EMS personnel throughout the entire county."

The County also used the Arlington Alert system, which tells subscribers via email and

text message about disruptions in Arlington. "We sent out an Arlington alert to all [25,000] users," Debbie Powers, the deputy coordinator for the Arlington County Office of Emergency Management, said. Powers herself wasn't able to make it to the Emergency Communication Center that day because, she said, "I got caught in the rain... This was one of those times when the weather forecast was actually right."

Crawford said that the new Emergency Communications Center worked great when the storms hit because it had more space than the old one.

"We just did not have the capacity in the old center," he said. "We would have had people actually standing around not able to answer a phone because there wasn't enough room. Here there was plenty of room."

AS FOR THE house on Glebe Road where the tree fell, no injuries were reported from the incident. Yvonne Matsko lives next door to the house and said that its occupants were out of town when the tree fell.

She was inside her own home at the time of the storm with her children. They were frightened at the time, Matsko said, but were excited afterwards when they got to get their picture taken with a policeman.

"The wind was very hard," said Pete Xereaes, who lives a few houses down from the house on Glebe Road. "I was afraid because I thought other trees would come down ... It was very tough weather."



Severe thunderstorms caused this tree to be uprooted in a central Arlington home.

SCHOOLS



Local artist Kevin Reese shows a group of Claremont students how to create a mobile.

Breaking The Mold

A local artist helps elementary school students make a sculpture.

BY DAVID SCHULTZ
THE CONNECTION

Kevin Reese has a simple method to get his students to pay attention. He uses power tools.

Reese is a local artist who is working with a group of Claremont Immersion School fifth graders to build a 13-foot tall sculpture for an art project.

Last week, when several of the students got distracted while putting the finishing touches on the sculpture, Reese turned on his buzz saw and cut through a piece of quarter-inch steel, making a loud, grinding noise.

The group of more than a dozen students immediately

stopped what they were doing and stared intently at the sparks flying from Reese's saw. "Cool..." they said in unison.

REESE IS A professional artist who has lived and worked in the Washington D.C. area for decades. Wearing paint-stained jeans and with a shock of white hair, he is energetic and engaging with his students, letting them explore and experiment while firmly maintaining their attention.

In the last seven years, he has been going to schools to create permanent art project with the students. This got started, Reese said, in 2001 when a teacher at Chesterbrook Elementary School in McLean asked him if he would work on a sculpture with her students.

"At first I said no. It sounded too hard," he said. "But then the more I thought about it the more I thought it was kind of a cool idea."

This year, Reese plans on going to 20 different schools in the area and across the country to teach students the principles of

"It is applied art ... There's nothing theoretical about this."

— Kevin Reese, artist

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PEOPLE

Getting to Know ... Joan Cummins

This budding dramatist won a prestigious scholarship.



Joan Cummins is a senior at Washington-Lee High School who recently received a National Merit Scholarship.

Competition for the annual award began in October of 2006 when more than 1.4 million students in over 21,000 high schools across the country took the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT). Last fall, the highest scoring participants in each state were named semifinalists. Of the 15,000 finalists, 2,500 students nationwide receive scholarships.

Cummins will be attending the University of California at Los Angeles and wants to go into a career in theater. In an interview with the Arlington Connection, Cummins talked about what it was like to win the prestigious scholarship, why she is interested in theater and what she is looking forward to in college next year.

Where were you when you found out you had won the National Merit Scholarship? What was your reaction?

I was in my living room, opening a pile of college-related mail. It was pretty exciting, to have \$2,500 suddenly at my disposal.

What kinds of things did you have to do to qualify for this scholarship? Was it just based on your PSAT score or was there more involved?

The preliminary step was the PSAT score, I think. At that point you find out whether you're a semi-finalist or not. After that, you submit more application materials, includ-

ing an essay, a teacher and counselor recommendation and some information about extracurricular [activities] and such. Rather like an abbreviated college application, actually. Then the finalists were announced and from then on you just continued to wait.

When you took the PSAT, did you leave the testing room thinking you did good enough to possibly qualify for the scholarship?

Frankly, that was a really long time ago. Mostly there was the deadened feeling you get after a standardized test, but also I felt I did well. It's hard to tell from the score sheet you're mailed whether you qualified for the scholarship or not. Your percentiles are listed, of course, and mine were high, but the correlation between the test and the scholarship wasn't clear when we took the test.

Where are you going to college? Why did you decide to go there?

I'll be attending UCLA for its incredible theatre program, the diversity of opportunity offered by a large school, equal opportunity to major in history, the friendly people and at least partially for the weather.

What are you looking forward to next year at college? Is there anything you are apprehensive about?

I'm so excited to have new and different things to explore. I can't wait to take new kinds of classes, live in a new city and meet other people. I want to be involved in organizations, take classes and perform in shows

with other people who are equally excited about what we're doing. I'm a little worried about keeping in touch with friends and family and about the sheer cost of college.

Why do you want to go into theater? What attracts you to this field?

Theater is the most amazing way to connect to people, to tell a story that means something to you and to them. You put so much of yourself into it – your personality, your time and your emotions – that it becomes personal and makes a powerful connection with the audience. It lets you explore parts of yourself you didn't know were there. It gives you insight into specific people's lives, environments and relationships.

You can learn about history, politics, marriage, war, love and anything in between by being in or watching a play. There are so many roles to fill, whether it's stage management, house management, electrician, seamstress, performer, director, everything. There's something for most kinds of people and so you meet interesting ones whenever theatre happens.

Also, it's something you can do without a computer, office, tools, etc. All you need is yourself, something to say, and an open space. I absolutely love it.

Where do you see yourself in five years? Do you want to be on Broadway? Or do you want to go into movies? Or something else entirely?

I'm willing to let things happen as they

will. I intend to take advantage of opportunities, of course, but where I go from here depends on what those are and which of them happen. I'd like to work on Broadway, I'd like to be in a movie, I'd like to work in local theatre. Anything and everything would be excellent. Primarily, I think, I'd like to direct plays, wherever that might happen, but that too could change in five years.

What is your favorite movie? Why?

Probably "Serenity." It's full of clever shots, clever and meaningful lines, fabulously rounded and interesting characters and a whole universe that reflects our own just enough to teach us. I sympathize with all of the main characters in some way or another and that keeps me coming back to watch it again.

What are you going to miss most about Arlington after you leave?

The people I love. Knowing where everything is, how to get there despite pieces of the same street reoccurring on either side of 66 or 50.

Who is your role model? How has this person influenced your life?

I'm not sure I have one. There are things I know I value, but I don't think they came from any one person. I am my own person and would rather not be trying to copy someone else.

— DAVID SCHULTZ



Kelly and Tim Engaged

Carol and Gary Noesner of Fairfax announce the engagement of their daughter Kelly Noesner to Tim Brady, son of Donald J. Brady and Marie Schum-Brady of Arlington.

Kelly graduated from Robinson High School in 1998, completed her bachelor's degree from Mary Washington College, and then earned her MA/EdS in school counseling at James Madison University in 2005. She is employed as a school counselor at Wilson Middle in Fishersville, Va.

Tim graduated from H.B. Woodlawn High School in 1998 and is an assistant brewer, bartender and manager at the award winning Calhoun's Restaurant and Brewery. He is also the co-owner of Midtowne Market in Harrisonburg, Va. A June 21, 2008 wedding is planned for the happy couple.

PEOPLE NOTES

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Jake McGuire of Arlington, Va., was awarded second place in the party category of the **2007 Governor's Cup Yacht Race Photographic Competition** for his color shot "Dog-tired: Morning after the Night Race," which shows sailors asleep in the grass after finally reaching the College. McGuire has

published a series of photography books, including the photographic portraits of Washington, D.C., Baltimore, Annapolis, Tidewater, Va, and the coast of New England by air. His new coffee-table book of aerial photography of the Chesapeake Bay will be published in May.

The Arlington Host Lions Club presented to Mr. Robert Guenther, owner of D & V Auto Service Center of Arlington, the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award. It is the highest honour award this is presented by the Lions Club International for humanitarian service. In addition to Mr. Guenther's numerous contributions to local charities, he has

assisted the Lions for many years. He has provided trucks to the Arlington Host Lions to transport truckloads of citrus fruit for sale four times a year without charge. Mr. Guenther's contributions have made a significant impact on the success of the Lions Citrus Fruit Sales.

Allan Mutén has been named the evaluation champion of District 27 Toastmasters. He delivered an evaluation that was judged the best of eight presentations at the District 27 Spring Conference at the Crystal City Marriott in Arlington. A Toastmaster for seven years, Mutén is a member of the Last Great Speakers Club. He is a resident of Arlington.

BUSINESS NOTES

Know of something missing from our *Business Notes*? Send it to *The Arlington Connection*, e-mail it to arlington@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is 2 p.m. the Thursday before publication. Call Rebecca Halik at 703-917-6407 with any questions.

Cuyler Thomas has been promoted to Executive Chef at Carlyle located in Arlington. Thomas has been with Great American Restaurants for over 17 years and has held many roles with the company, most recently as chef at Artie's

located in Fairfax.

First Edition Toastmasters meets every Friday at noon at 1300 Wilson Blvd., 11th Floor, Rosslyn. The diverse membership of this Toastmasters chapter includes small business owners and employees with a variety of government agencies and associations. Visit to find out how Toastmasters can help improve skills in all areas of public speaking and communicate more effectively in everything done. Contact Josh McIntire at 703-585-0117 or joshmcintire@hotmail.com. Visit

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SCHOOLS

Artist, Students Work On Sculpture

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art and to help them on their own permanent art project.

LAST WEEK, Reese and his Claremont students finished their sculpture and installed it on a grassy area in front of the school. Reese said that the students have been involved in the project since its inception, when they made drawings of their ideas for the shape and design of the sculpture.

"They're really excited about this," Reese said. "They want it to be good ... It's not that difficult to get them interested in the idea that we're going to create a moving sculpture."

As they frantically worked to finish the project so they could install it on time, the Claremont students got to bend pieces of steel, paint large wooden beams and use a power sander to buff metal. All with Reese's supervision, of course.

"It takes patience," Claremont fifth grader Ricky Astudillo said. "And you have to be careful."

"**THEY'VE** loved it," arts instructor Nancy Libson said. "They look forward to it and they go every day of the week." Libson is the director of SPARK, a program at Claremont that seeks to get students more

involved in culture and arts.

Libson brings professional artists like Reese to the school to work with the students on making their own works of art. In the past, the Claremont students have worked with photographers, playwrights, poets, musicians and dancers as a part of their daily curriculum.

"It definitely teaches them group process and working together," Libson said. "It teaches them about making something much larger than themselves."

This type of program, Reese said, shows all the things students can learn through the teaching of arts in schools. "They may not be on the SOLs,"

he said, "But they're important to being good people and good citizens."

"It is applied art," he added. "That's the cool thing about it. There's nothing theoretical about this."



Claremont fifth graders stare enraptured as artist Kevin Reese uses a power buffer on a piece of metal.

BUT REESE said that best part about working with the students on their own project is the sense of ownership they feel after they complete it. When he was working at a school in Baltimore, he said that one of the

students came up to him six months after they had completed a mobile.

"He walked right up to me," Reese recalled, "And said 'See that piece right up there? I painted that piece right there.'"

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OPINION

More Reasons for Change

Price of gas, "Code Red" add reasons to change behavior.

After days of intense heat, we begin this week with a "Code Red" air quality day, meaning that breathing the air is "unhealthy for all individuals."

On a "Code Red" day, no one should stay outside or exert themselves outdoors any longer than necessary, according to federal guidelines. At particular risk are active children and adults, and people with lung diseases, such as asthma.

The primary causes of air pollution in Northern Virginia are vehicle emissions and pollution from power plants here and to the west.

Approximately 60-70 percent of the pollutants that cause ground-level ozone are created from vehicles, lawn mowers, other garden equipment and common household products, according to the Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments.

The price of gas has already motivated more commuters in the area to turn to public transportation. On predicted "Code Red" days, local bus service is free, which should provide even more incentive to see if you can use transit for all or part of your commute.

The price of gas is excruciating, and takes a far higher toll on the working poor, but at \$4 a gallon and above, we're all motivated to seek conservation and alternatives. As businesses and individuals work to save money, the environment and air quality will also benefit. There's a chance that such measures could ease traffic as well.

On bad air quality days, children, older people and individuals with heart or respiratory ailments should reduce outdoor activities. Even healthy individuals should limit strenuous outdoor work and exercise.

Here are a few more suggestions to help air quality:

- ❖ Limit driving and when possible, combine trips or work from home.
- ❖ Use area bus and rail lines or carpool.
- ❖ Avoid mowing lawns with gasoline-powered motors.
- ❖ Refuel vehicles after dusk; avoid idling.
- ❖ Conserve electricity, keep air conditioning no lower than 78 degrees, turn off unneeded lights.

For the air quality forecast for Northern Virginia and links to maps, see <http://www.deq.virginia.gov/airquality>.

For more information, see www.epa.gov/airnow.

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Health Consequences of Bad Air

While some people say they might consider moving out of the region because of the traffic congestion, for others the choice to move might be necessary to save their health. Consider the risks:

- ❖ One out of every three people is at a higher risk of experiencing ozone-related health effects, including active, otherwise healthy children who spend a lot of the summer playing outdoors.
- ❖ People of all ages who are active outdoors are at increased risk because during physical activity, ozone penetrates deeper into the part of the lungs that are more vulnerable.
- ❖ Ozone can aggravate asthma. When ozone levels are high more people with asthma have attacks that require a doctor's attention or the use of additional medication. One reason this happens is that ozone makes people more sensitive to allergens, the most common triggers of asthma attacks.
- ❖ People with respiratory diseases that make their lungs more vulnerable to

ozone may experience health effects earlier and at lower ozone levels than less sensitive individuals.

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Happy Father's Day



Viktor Votsch with his son Nicholas Votsch, now 12 months old, on a hike in Potomac Overlook park.



A picture of my dad and me (Alexa) and our Briard dog taking a break in the new leaf pile we just raked up in our back yard.

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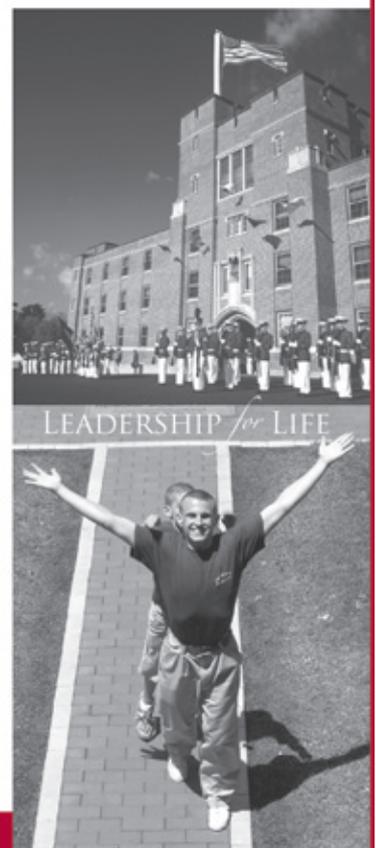
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PROM NIGHT



Andy Samora and his date Robin Chamma wore matching outfits to the prom.



Rebecca Hargrove shows off her dress at Yorktown's 2008 prom.



Michael Alexander and Amber Fahy attended Yorktown's prom, held at the Crystal Gateway Marriot in Crystal City.

Gateway To The Future

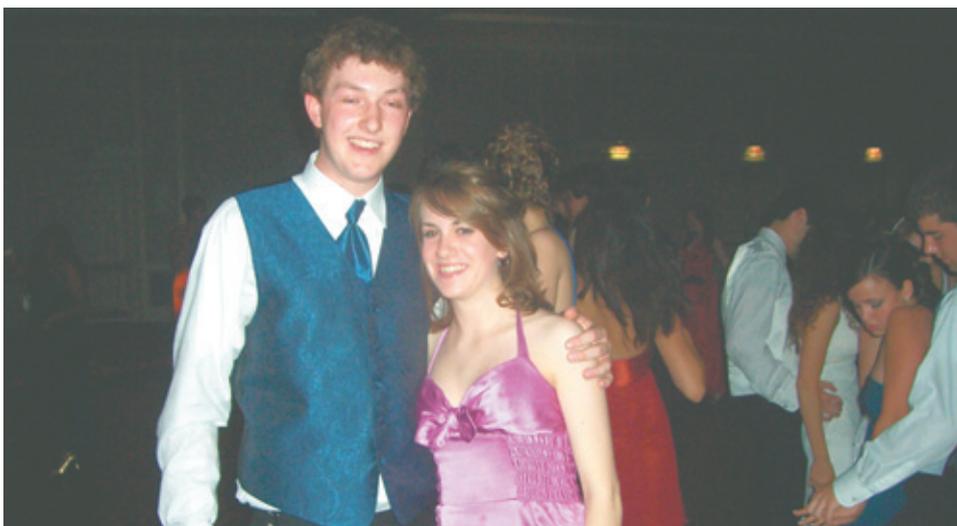
On a steamy, late-spring evening, Yorktown High School held its prom at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Crystal City. This year's prom featured stretch limousines, a photo booth and, of course, very loud music. Hundreds of students showed up to celebrate the end of their high school careers and dance the night away.



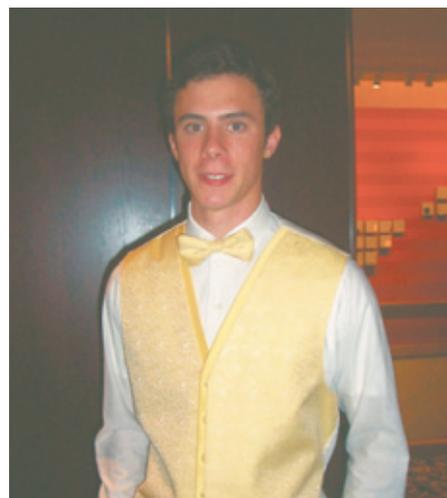
Victoria Bartlette and Stanley Woodley attended Yorktown High School's 2008 prom.



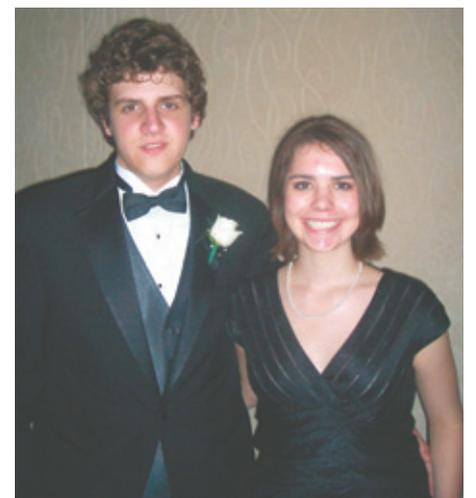
Yorktown's 2008 prom was held this weekend at the Crystal Gateway Marriot in Crystal City.



Andrew Canghran and Emily Johnson took a break from dancing to pose for this photo at Yorktown's prom.



John Marshall broke from the norm with his cream-colored tuxedo.



Sean Becker and Haley Miles-McLean were one of many revelers at Yorktown's prom.

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ARTS ♦ ENTERTAINMENT ♦ LEISURE

Isabelle Chester chats with some of the children at the front of the room.

“You can’t really fail if you’re happy doing something, it’s intrinsically successful.”

— ‘Miss Belle’ Isabelle Chester



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‘I Want To Perform,’ Isabelle Chester travels the area playing music for children as Miss Belle.

BY MEGHAN WILLIAMS
THE CONNECTION

The scene is reminiscent of many concerts: a throng of fans crowds as close as they can to the microphone, swaying to the music and requesting favorites; people behind them have enough room for some full-on dancing and hand-clapping; the shiest are around the edges of the room, singing along under their breath and watching the action closely. The singer commands attention, wearing layers of violet, lavender and plum, and playing a purple guitar. She is Isabelle Chester of McLean, but her stage name is Miss Belle, and she’s one of the popular performers on the preschool circuit.

The show in the community room of the Herndon Fortnightly Community Library has drawn a core audience of under-10s and their parents, although a few older siblings out of school for spring break listen in as well.

Chester plays some standard songs, with a few twists – after the wheels on the bus go round, round, round, “Miss Belle on the bus goes ‘sing, sing, sing,’” and Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star is followed by the all-too-appropriate Twinkle, Twinkle Little Starlight. Chester adds her own songs into the mix: The Belly Button Song prompts several toddlers to show off their navels, and Dance Daddy Dance tries to get the fathers in the room involved.

“I’m singing to everybody here,” Chester

said. She likes the idea that by entertaining the children, the parents can take a short break: “My hope is that that is going to relieve some of their stress ... This is a safe place [for children] where grown-ups can talk.”

PUT SIMPLY, PERFORMING makes Chester happy as well. “I’ve had the most fun of anyone,” she said at the end of her Herndon concert. She explained that she reached an epiphany about music and performing several years ago. “It made me happy,” she said. “You can’t really fail if you’re happy doing something, it’s intrinsically successful.”

By mid-June, Chester will have a set schedule performing five days a week in Northern Virginia and Maryland. Tuesdays she is at the Mayorga Coffee Factory in Silver Spring and the Chesterbrook Starbucks in McLean, Wednesdays are her library days – she visits the Dolley Madison, Patrick Henry and Great Falls libraries. Usually the first Saturday and first Wednesday of the month she appears at the Aladdin’s Lamp Bookstore in Arlington. Monday and Thursday mornings she teams up with Oh Susannah, Susan McNelis, for performances at Jammin’ Java in Vienna and Mayorga. Special programs, like the Herndon performance, are also common. Visit <http://thebiggestbelle.com> for schedule updates. The schedule is tiring, but Chester says she has the best job in the world. A moment later, she reconsiders: “How can I call this

a job?” she wonders. “It’s what I do, it’s who I am.”

Reaching the point where she is performing so often has been a journey of several steps for Chester. “I thought I was going to be a writer,” she said. After studying creative writing in college, she has “the closet full of writing that many of us have.” But she wasn’t a fan of the critique that necessarily comes with a career in writing. And she missed music. She had started playing guitar when she was in fourth grade at McLean’s Potomac School, with a ’70s program of learning songs from popular folk artists, including Joni Mitchell and the Beatles. She also took classical guitar for three years. Chester said she was writing songs when she was 11, but came back to it when she was in her mid-20s, living in Centreville and studying with musician Doug Rainoff in Chantilly. “He just unlocked my songwriting,” Chester said. She found melodies coming into her head constantly: “I would go on walks in Great Falls in the park and I’d have to take a tape recorder.”

It was several years later, living in Great Falls and now raising daughter Kyra and son Kyle, that Chester started working to share music with children. She was part of St. Francis Episcopal Church when they were beginning their crèche preschool, and was asked to direct the children’s choir and be the school’s music teacher. “They were wonderful,” Chester said, but she soon realized that teaching was not what she wanted to be doing. “That’s a whole commitment and

a whole life, and I want to perform,” she explained. “I made a choice to say, ‘I want to perform.’”

Because she lived near the Great Falls library, she decided to try that as her first venue. “I asked if they would take a volunteer singer,” she explained. “They really, really took me in. It was volunteer, but I felt like I was getting paid a million dollars.” Her success there snowballed into more performances in more places. Although she now performs in many Fairfax County Public Library branches, she remains attached to where she began: “Great Falls really has my heart,” she said.

Her fan base sometimes follows her to several venues; although the concert at Herndon Fortnightly was a special program, Chester said she recognized a few of the children from past shows at Great Falls and Vienna’s Patrick Henry library.

Chester ends each performance with time for hugs and stickers: “I get a hug and you get a sticker,” she told the children at the Herndon library. She set down her guitar and knelt down, and was immediately surrounded by children. Several children wanted to make sure they got a homemade sticker, with a picture of Miss Belle on it, for their siblings and parents.

MUSIC IS somewhat of a family affair. Her 15-year-old daughter Kyra, a student at the Madeira School, “has a beautiful singing

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CALENDAR

Know of something missing from our community entertainment calendar? Send it to TheArlingtonConnection@connectionnews.com. Deadline is 2 p.m. the Thursday before publication. Call Rebecca Halik at 703-917-6407 with any questions. Photos are welcome.

ONGOING:

The Arlington Farmers' Market takes place on Saturdays from 9 a.m.-noon year round. Located at the intersection of N. Courthouse Road and N. 14th Street. Visit www.arlingtonfarmersmarket.com for more on the market and vendors.

Potomac Overlook Regional Park, 2845 Marcey Road, presents "Unlocking the Secrets of Our Living Planet: A Guided Hike at Potomac Overlook" at 2 p.m. on **alternating Saturdays and Sundays**. \$3/person and reservations can be made at Potomac@nvrpa.org or 703-528-5406.

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Weekly Farmers Markets are set to return May 30 to Ballston's Welburn Square, between N. Stuart & N. Taylor Streets across from the Ballston Metro station. The markets will operate every Friday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Oct. 17, except for July 4. For directions and further information, visit www.ballstonfarmersmarket.blogspot.com or call 703-528-3527.

Hear music on "Wednesday at Waterview" from July 9 through Aug. 20 from Waterview Terrace, 1919 N. Lynn St. in Rosslyn. Enjoy happy hour concerts from 5:30-8 p.m. Enjoy **Rosslyn Restaurants & Rhythms** on Fridays from 5-6:30 p.m. at Tivoli Restaurant, Sundays from 7-8:30 p.m. at Piola and

Mondays from 5-6:30 p.m. at Café Asia. Free. There are concerts in **Welburn Square** on Fridays along with Friday nights at Lubber Run Amphitheatre. There are **James Bond Film Festivals** on Mondays in Crystal City and Fridays in Rosslyn through September. For more information on all of these events and more visit www.arlingtonarts.org or 703-228-6966.

THURSDAY/JUNE 12

T-Shirt Contest. Submit original artwork depicting "The Magic of Arlington" to Denise Marshall Roller at 703-228-1853 or email dmarshallroller@arlingtonva.us. **Dance Performance.** Bowen McCauley Dance will perform at Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave. Visit www.bmdc.org for more.

Music Production. 4-6 p.m. at Thomas Jefferson Community Center, 3501 S. 2nd St. Teens can learn about how to make music. Free. 703-228-7783. **Rock at the Row.** 7 p.m. at the Pentagon Row Plaza. Hear music by Scott Harlan, enjoy food samples, giveaways and more. Free. Visit www.pentagonrow.com or 703-413-6691.

Dear Abby. 11:30 a.m. at Lee Senior Center. Practice giving advice to others and learn from others. Free. 703-228-0555.

Antiques on the Road. 1 p.m. at Walter Reed Community Center, 2909 S. 16th St. Exchange stories and learn about treasured objects. Free. 703-228-0955.

Animal Dads. 1:30 p.m. at Gulf Branch Nature Center, 3608 N. Military Road. Children ages 3-5 and dads can look at nurturing fathers in the animal kingdom. \$3/child. Registration required, 703-228-3403.

FRIDAY/JUNE 13

Opening Reception. 6-9 p.m., Arlington Arts Center, 3550 Wilson Blvd., presents "She's So Articulate: Black Women Artists Reclaim the Narrative" from June 10 through July 19. Free. Visit www.arlingtonartscenter.org for more.

Story Time. 10:30 a.m. at Kinder Haus Toys, 1220 N. Filmore St. With the

lively Ms. Laura. Join for great stories such as "Where the Wild Things Are" and "If You Give a Mouse a Cookie." To register: 703-527-5929.

Stop In For Stories. 10 a.m. or 11 a.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Free. Stories, songs and more for all ages. 703-228-5946.

Music Performance. The Concert Band and Singing Sergeants will perform at 8 p.m. at Air Force Memorial, One Air Force Memorial Drive. Free. Visit www.usafband.af.mil or 202-767-5658.

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Hawaiian Extravaganza. 7 p.m. at Culpepper Garden Senior Center, 4435 N. Pershing Drive. See Hawaiian and Tahitian dancers. Free. 703-228-4403.

Food Chain Campfire. 7:15 p.m. at Gulf Branch Nature Center, 3608 N. Military Road. Families can enjoy campfire activities, treats and more. \$3/person. Registration required, 703-228-4747.

Snap! Snapping Turtles Campfire. 8 p.m. at Long Branch Nature Center, 625 S. Carlin Springs Road. Families can enjoy campfire activities including stories, treats and more. \$3/person. Registration required, 703-228-6535.

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Independent Study. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Euro Market Café, 2201 Wilson Blvd. For people needing help with a project or needing guidance. \$40 for two two-hour classes. RSVP Danielle@kmit-a-gogo.com.

Civil War Artillery. 11 a.m.-noon at Fort C.F. Smith Park, 2411 N. 24th St. Families with children ages 6 and up can work as a team to load and aim a replica Civil War cannon while learning about it. \$5. Registration required, 703-243-4342.

Teen Resume Workshop. 1 p.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Free. All ages. 703-228-5946.

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Argentinean Celebration. 5:30-10:30 p.m. at Thomas Jefferson Theater, 125 S. Old Glebe Road. Enjoy music by Tango Rea, Karma, poetry and more. \$25/door. Advance Tickets may be purchased online at: www.festivalargentinousa.com.

Ice Cream Social. 1 p.m. at Culpepper Garden Senior Center, 4435 N. Pershing Drive. Enjoy ice cream and music of Chopin. \$1/person. Registration required, 703-228-4403.

Movie Watch. 7 p.m. at Shirlington Library, 4200 Campbell Ave. Watch "27 Dresses." Free. 703-228-0322.

History Tour. Adults can watch a film about the history of Arlington and take a tour of a log house, 7-9 p.m. at Gulf Branch Nature Center, 3608 N. Military Road. \$5/person. Registration required, 703-228-3403.

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 18

Story Hour. 11 a.m. at Aladdin's Lamp Children's Books, 2499 N. Harrison St., Suite 10. Free. For children ages 2-6. 703-241-8281.

Ruffled Baby Hat. 7-9 p.m. at Euro Market Café, 2201 Wilson Blvd. Learn how to knit in the round. \$35. RSVP Danielle@kmit-a-gogo.com.

Music Performance. The Airmen of Note will perform at 8 p.m. at Air Force Memorial, One Air Force Memorial Drive. Free. Visit www.usafband.af.mil or 202-767-5658.

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Music Performance. The Air Force Strings will perform at 8 p.m. at Air Force Memorial, One Air Force Memorial Drive. Free. www.usafband.af.mil or 202-767-5658.

Blue Moon-Blue Cheese. 11 a.m. at Langston Brown Community Center, 2121 N. Culpepper St. Learn about lunar myths, folklore and superstitions. Free. 703-228-5321.

Movie Watch. 7:30 p.m. at Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave. Watch "Chicago." Free. 703-228-0322.

Music Performance. Steve Songs will perform 6 p.m. at Lubber Run Amphitheatre, N. 2nd and N. Columbus Streets. Free. Families encouraged to attend. Visit www.aucpva.org for more.

TUESDAY/JUNE 17

June Bug. 10:30 a.m. at Long Branch Nature Center, 625 S. Carlin Springs Road. Preschoolers can learn about bugs through games, stories and more. \$3/child. Registration required, 703-228-6535.

Games. 11 a.m. at Langston Brown Community Center, 2121 N. Culpepper St. Enjoy Trivial Pursuit for the Baby Boomer generation. Free. 703-228-5321.

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Poesis. 7-9 p.m. at Pentagon City Borders, 1201 S. Hayes St. Features Kurt Olsson and Katherine Young. Free. 703-418-0166.

June Bug. 10:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. or 3:30 p.m. at Long Branch Nature Center, 625 S. Carlin Springs Road. Preschoolers can learn about bugs through games, stories and more. \$3/child. Registration required, 703-228-6535.

Arlington Farmer. 3:30 p.m. at Fort C.F. Smith Park, 2411 N. 24th St. Children ages 7-11 can learn how to farm, water plants and more. \$5/child. Registration required, 703-243-4342.

Poetry Workshop. 6:30 p.m. at Shirlington Library, 4200 Campbell Ave. Rubin Jackson will share poetry. Free. 703-228-6545.

THURSDAY/JUNE 19

Rock at the Row. 7 p.m. at the Pentagon Row Plaza. Hear music by Dan Haas Band, enjoy food samples, giveaways and more. Free. www.pentagonrow.com or 703-413-6691.

Solstice Celebration. 7-9 p.m. at Barcroft Park, 4200 S. Four Mile Run Drive. Celebrate the longest day of the year with service projects and more. Register at 703-228-7772.

Movie Watch. 7 p.m. at Shirlington Library, 4200 Campbell Ave. Watch "Bridget Jones' Diary." Free. 703-228-0322.

Cinema. 6:30 p.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Watch "Arranged." Free. 703-228-3708.

Music Performance. U.S. Army Concert Band will perform at 7:30 p.m. at Kenmore Auditorium, 200 S. Carlin Springs Road. Free. Visit www.usarmyband.com for more.

FRIDAY/JUNE 20

Playmobil Playday. P11 a.m. at Kinder Haus Toys, 1220 N. Filmore St. Playmobil expert, Mr. Ed, will answer questions. He'll have open play sets. Free promotional packages while supplies last. Registration required, 703-527-5929.

Story Time. 10:30 a.m. at Kinder Haus Toys, 1220 N. Filmore St. With the lively Ms. Laura. Join for great stories such as "Where the Wild Things Are" and "If You Give a Mouse a Cookie." To register: 703-527-5929.

Stop In For Stories. 10 a.m. or 11 a.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Free. Stories, songs and more for all ages. 703-228-5946.

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Welcome Summer Campfire. 7:30 p.m. at Long Branch Nature Center, 625 S. Carlin Springs Road. Families can enjoy campfire activities. \$3. Registration required, 703-228-6535.

Spain's Music and Dance. 8 p.m. at Gunston Theater 1, 2700 S. Lang St. Enjoy music and dancing. \$25; \$15. 703-684-1949.

Music Performance. Enjoy jazz performances from 7-9 p.m. at Lubber Run Amphitheatre, N. 2nd and N. Columbus Streets. Free. Visit www.arlingtonarts.org or 703-228-1850.

SATURDAY/JUNE 21

Story Hour. 11 a.m. at Aladdin's Lamp Children's Books, 2499 N. Harrison St., Suite 10. Free. For children ages 2-6. 703-241-8281.

Artist Reception. 2-5 p.m. at Artists' Undertaking Gallery, 309 Mill St. Meet the artists of "Common Forms, Uncommon Beauty." Free. 703-494-0584 or at www.theartistsundertaking.com.

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Miss Belle Performs at Aladdin's Lamp

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voice," but isn't interested in pursuing music at the moment, Chester said. Her 9-year-old stepdaughter Elea is learning to play piano. But it's her son Kyle who "has the gene," Chester said. "He'll outdo me in probably a year and a half." Kyle plays several instruments, and is able to play songs by ear after hearing them. Chester said her husband Luis is helping her work on a CD of her music. She intends to have the proceeds go to children's charities. She's not sure when the CD will be available. "It's a process," she said, but promises that once the first one is finished, several more will follow. Chester got into children's music

"partly by default," she said. She still likes working with other genres, including folk and Christian music. "Definitely not rock and roll or blues," she laughed. In addition to her programs for children, she makes time to sing for senior citizens at nursing homes and the Sunrise Senior Living center in Tysons Corner. "It's actually very relaxing, I love singing for them," she said.

Working with another musician is another variation on Chester's theme. Two mornings a week she performs with Susan McNelis, who goes by Oh Susannah when she is performing for children. "When you're solo it's you and the kids. Sometimes it's a little scary," Chester said. Performing with someone else is "fun in a very different way," she said. She added that several songs let her take a break from playing her guitar, and

she gets off the stage to dance with the children. "Dancing is my other favorite thing," she explained. Working with another musician boosts Chester's confidence as well: "If she approves, I can't be all that bad," she said with a laugh.

McNelis isn't the only one approving, if the reactions of the children and their parents are any indication. Even the staff at the Herndon library were trying to find a time for her to come back, and suggesting other opportunities for her to perform in the area.

"One of the best complements is 'Are you going to be here next week?'" Chester said. She is also happy when her performance has put a baby to sleep - it's a good sign "when the baby's trusting enough to fall asleep."



Isabelle Chester is Miss Belle.

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SCHOOLS



Arlington resident Miranda Webster of H-B Woodlawn won Comic Actress in a Play for "As Bees in Honey Drown."

The Best Play went to H-B Woodlawn's "As Bees in Honey Drown." (Pictured): Montana DeBor, Jack Crawford-Brown, Tyson Brice, Sabrina Zeile, Miranda Webster, Graham Hooper, Caroline Brent (with trophy).



Arlington resident Sabrina Zeile won the Creativity Award for directing "As Bees in Honey Drown."



Arlington resident Graham Hooper of H-B Woodlawn won Featured Actor in a Play for "As Bees in Honey Drown."



The Best Ensemble in a Play award went to Wakefield High's The Boys Next Door in the play of the same name. (From left): J.J. Nell, Gary Kennedy, Chris Stanton and Kevin Trudel, all of Arlington.

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H-B Woodlawn Wins 4 Cappies

BY BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

S tarry statuettes were evenly distributed during Sunday night's ninth annual Cappies Gala, honoring the best and the brightest in high-school theater.

St. Stephen's & St. Agnes in Alexandria and H-B Woodlawn in Arlington each won four Cappies during the three-hour ceremony at The Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. Westfield, Robinson and West Potomac each won three.

The Best Play award went to H-B Woodlawn for "As Bees In Honey Drown." Said Caroline Brent, senior: "It's amazing. The show required so much hard work for everyone. And it was such an ensemble show and couldn't have been done without everyone working as hard as we did."

Arlington resident Miranda Webster of Woodlawn won Comic Actress in a Play for "As Bees in Honey Drown." "I'm completely surprised," she said. "I didn't expect it, at all. There are so many talented people out there that to win a Cappie is such an honor."

Best Musical went to Walt Whitman for "Aida." Chantilly's Eddie Monk won the Cappie for Lead Actor in a Play for "The Andersonville Trial," and Natalie Walker of St. Stephen's won the Lead Actress in a Play Cappie for "Metamorphoses."

James Madison's Trey Ervine won Lead Actor in a Musical for "Fiddler on the Roof," and Andrea Carroll of Whitman won Lead Actress in a Musical for "Aida." The Best Song award went to West Potomac's "Luck Be a Lady" from "Guys and Dolls."

THIS CAPPIES Gala was dedicated to the program's co-founder, Bill Strauss, who died of cancer in December at age 60. A published author and playwright, himself, his vision — along with that of co-founder Judy Bowns — was to celebrate students of theater and journalism via the Cappies, or Critics and Awards Program.

Strauss was honored with a special tribute during Sunday's gala, and his wife, Janie — a member of the Fairfax County School Board — was presented with an award called, "The Show Must Go On."

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CRIME

The following reports come from the Arlington police department. For the most up-to-date crime reports, visit www.Co.Arlington.Va.Us/police and click on daily crime report.

BURGLARY, 1500 block of N. McKinley Road. Between 10:30 p.m. on May 13, and 6:30 a.m. on May 14, an unknown subject entered a residence through the basement door. Several electronic items were stolen.

ATTEMPTED COMMERCIAL BURGLARY, 2000 block of N. 15th St. Between 8:30 p.m. and 9:19 p.m. on May 23, someone broke the door to an office. Nothing appears to be missing.

FATAL ACCIDENT, I-395/GW Park-

way. At approximately 7 a.m. on May 25, a group of motorcyclists was traveling northbound on I-395 and took the George Washington Parkway/Boundary Channel exit. The group was headed to the Pentagon North parking lot for the Rolling Thunder ride, but the lead motorcyclist was unsure which ramp to take and braked suddenly causing a chain reaction accident. One motorcyclist, 49-year-old Anthony Beam of Scranton, Pa., was thrown from his bike and fatally injured. Three other people suffered minor injuries.

LARCENY FROM AUTO (SERIES), 1100 block of S. Hayes St. Between 12:25 p.m. and 1:40 p.m. on May 24, someone smashed the front

passenger windows of two separate cars and stole both portable GPS systems.

LARCENY FROM AUTO (SERIES), 2400 block of S. Army Navy Drive. Between 11:30 p.m. on May 20, and 7:30 a.m. on May 21, three vehicles were broken into. All vehicles were parked inside a residential garage. There are no known suspects.

LARCENY FROM AUTO (SERIES), 1500 block of Arlington Blvd. Between 9:30 p.m. on May 21, and 5 a.m. on May 22, three vehicles were broken into. A window was broken out of each vehicle and items were stolen. There are no known suspects.

LARCENY FROM AUTO (SERIES), 1500 block of Arlington Blvd.

Between 7 p.m. on May 21, and 4:53 a.m. on May 22, five vehicles were broken into in a garage parking lot. Miscellaneous items were stolen.

STOLEN AUTOS:

❖ May 22, VA YTG6037, 1997 BMW, light blue, 1700 block of Crystal Drive.

❖ May 22, VA KHH5888, 2007 Volkswagon Jetta, white, 700 block of Wakefield St.

❖ May 21, VA XWR8294, 1995 Toyota 4 Runner, green, 3700 block of N. Pershing Drive.

❖ May 27, VA TW34098, 1987 Ford EC3 Truck, white, 4600 block of Four Mile Run Drive.

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❖ May 26, VA RDAERO, 1994 Mitsubishi 3000GT, red, 1200 block of N. Nash St.

❖ May 26, NC 2V7456, 2005 Viva 200cc Motorcycle, blue, 1300 block of N. Queen St.

ROBBERY, 2100 block of S. Fern. At approximately 11:35 a.m. on May 29, a 77-year-old woman was walking home, when a man came up behind her and forcibly took her purse from her arm. The suspect is described as a black male in his 40s, approximately 5 feet 10 inches tall and 160 pounds, wearing black pants and a beige t-shirt.

ASSAULT & BATTERY ON PO-

LICE-ARREST, 3700 block of S. Kemper Road. At approximately 6:15 p.m. on May 30, an officer spotted a man stumbling repeatedly. When the officer approached the subject, he took off running. The Officer gave chase and when he caught up to the man, the suspect took a swing at the officer striking him in the face. A struggle ensued during which the suspect attempted to grab the officer's gun. The officer radioed for assistance and the suspect was eventually handcuffed and taken into custody. Marlow Devonte Terry, 30, of Arlington, was charged with assault and battery on police, attempting to disarm a Law Enforcement Officer; resisting arrest and possession of marijuana. He was held without bond.

SEXUAL ASSAULT & BATTERY-ARREST, 1800 block of N. Moore St. At 6:30 p.m. on June 2, a man groped a female acquaintance against her wishes. Police were contacted and responded to the area. Tyrone Taylor, 51, of Annandale, was charged with sexual assault and battery, and held on a \$2,500 bond.

INDECENT EXPOSURE - ARREST, 1300 block of S. Quincy St. At approximately 7:33 p.m. on June 1, a 45-year-old woman was walking down the street when a man approached and exposed himself to her. The victim threatened to scream and the suspect fled. With information provided by a witness, officers later located the sus-

pect at his home and arrested him. Luis Fernandez-Orantes, 22, of Arlington, was charged with indecent exposure and held on \$2,500 bond.

COMMERCIAL BURGLARY - ARREST, 1100 block of S. Hayes St. At approximately 6:56 a.m. on May 30, a male suspect broke into a clothing store's storage room and attempted to take a large amount of merchandise. When the suspect exited the room he was met by waiting police officers and taken into custody. Jake Bernard Johnson, 58, of Mount Rainier, Md., was charged with burglary, grand larceny, possession of burglarious tools, and larceny with intent to distribute for this incident and a similar break-in at the

same location on May 29. He was held without bond.

COMMERCIAL BURGLARY, 700 block of S. 23rd St. Between 10:30 p.m. on May 31 and 1:30 p.m. on June 1, someone broke into a retail business and took money from the cash register.

COMMERCIAL BURGLARY, 1100 block of S. Hayes St. Between 7:19 p.m. on May 28 and 7:45 a.m. on May 29, someone entered a storage room and took clothing and a computer monitor.

BURGLARY, 1600 block of N. Danville St. At approximately 10:30 p.m. on June 1, someone entered a residence and took a CD player. Officers responded and located a possible suspect nearby. The investigation continues.

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Dark patches on the face can be caused by many things, including sun damage, acne scarring, or inflammation. When those dark, grayish-brown patches occur on the cheeks, upper lip and forehead, the condition may be melasma—

also known as paño, mask of pregnancy or hypermelanosis. Whatever the name, the condition is most likely caused by skin cells producing extra melanin — the chemical responsible for pigmentation. Many doctors link these cases to a variety of triggers including sun exposure, hormone changes in women, such as those caused by pregnancy, menopause, and even the hormonal shifts associated with use of birth control pills.

Millions of women in the United States face the dark patches in the mirror every day, and it's especially prevalent in women of Hispanic, Caribbean and Asian ancestry as well as African-American women. Approximately 80% of Latino women report having these types of darkened spots on their faces. It also tends to run in families.

These dark patches don't make people physically ill, but research shows that the psychological and emotional tolls are another story. Not only does the condition affect how many women feel about themselves, it changes how others see them. A report published in the journal *Evolution and Human Behavior* showed that dark spots on a woman's face are one of the signs that people use to judge her age, and in fact, the presence of spots alone can influence how old a person looks.

"I felt like people thought I was dirty," said Rebecca Brown, 32, a patient diagnosed with melasma.

Ms. Brown's condition appeared after a beach vacation in Cancun.

"The longer the dark patches lasted, the more

embarrassed I got," Ms. Brown said. "I covered them with makeup, and I tried some of the treatments I found at the supermarket."

Those treatments didn't work for her. Finally, she decided to call her doctor.

"Prescription treatments work differently and are often much more successful," Dr. Fuchs said.

Two months after she went to her dermatologist, Ms. Brown said her skin was clear.

"I had basically given up hope," she said. "I didn't realize how badly those spots made me feel until they were gone."

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What is TRI-LUMA® Cream? TRI-LUMA® Cream is a medicine with three active components. You put TRI-LUMA® Cream on your face to treat a skin condition called melasma. Melasma consists of dark (hyperpigmented) spots on facial skin, especially on the cheeks and forehead. This condition usually happens with hormone changes.

TRI-LUMA® Cream is for short-term and intermittent long-term treatment of moderate to severe melasma of the face, in the presence of measures for sun avoidance, including the use of sunscreens.

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In clinical studies, after 8 weeks of treatment with TRI-LUMA® Cream, most patients had improvements, with 42 (26%) out of 161 patients experiencing complete clearing of their melasma. In most patients treated with TRI-LUMA® Cream, melasma came back after treatment was stopped. If the underlying causes of melasma, such as the use of certain birth control pills or too much exposure to sunlight, are not removed, melasma will come back when you stop treatment. In the long-term studies, patients were treated with TRI-LUMA® Cream on and off, whenever their melasma came back until it cleared. About 300 patients used TRI-LUMA® Cream intermittently (not

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- Apply TRI-LUMA® Cream at night, at least 30 minutes before bedtime.
- Put a small amount (pea sized or 1/2 inch or less) of TRI-LUMA® Cream on your fingertip. Apply a thin coat onto the discolored spot(s). Include about 1/2 inch of normal skin surrounding the affected area. After you have used the medicine for a while, you may find that you need slightly less to do the job.
- Rub the medicine lightly and uniformly into your skin. The medicine should become invisible almost at once. If you can still see it, you are using too much.
- Keep the medicine away from the corners of your nose, your mouth, eyes and open wounds. Spread it away from those areas when applying it.
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- You may also use a moisturizer and cosmetics during the day.
- Use a sunscreen of at least SPF 30 and a wide-brimmed hat over the treated areas. It requires only a small amount of sunlight to worsen melasma. Melasma can get worse even if you don't get sunburn.
- Only your doctor knows which other medicines may be helpful during treatment, and will tell you about them if needed. Do not use other medicines

unless your doctor approves them. If you get sunburned, stop using TRI-LUMA® Cream until your skin is healed. After stopping TRI-LUMA® Cream treatment, continue to protect your skin from sunlight.

What should I avoid while using TRI-LUMA® Cream? Sunlight or ultraviolet light. Too much natural sunlight or artificial sunlight from a sunlamp can cause sunburn. Dark skin patches may become darker when the skin is exposed to sunlight. You don't have to have a sunburn to make your melasma worse. TRI-LUMA® Cream can make your skin more likely to get sunburn or develop other unwanted effects from the sun. Protect your skin from natural sunlight as much as possible to help prevent further darkening of existing dark patches and formation of new ones. Staying out of the sun is especially important for women who take birth control pills or hormone replacement therapy, and for people who have had dark patches in the past. Use an effective sunscreen any time you are outside, even on hazy days. The sunscreen should have SPF (sun protection factor) of 30 or more. Use sunscreen year-round on areas of the skin that are regularly exposed to sunlight, such as your face and hands. If possible, protect the treated area from sunlight exposure.

If you spend a lot of time outside, be especially careful of sunlight. Ask your doctor what SPF level will give you the needed high level of protection. If you will be outside, wear protective clothing, including a hat. Do not use sunlamps while you use TRI-LUMA® Cream. Heat, wind and cold. Heat and cold tend to dry or irritate normal skin. Skin treated with TRI-LUMA® Cream may be more likely to react to heat and cold. Your doctor can recommend ways to manage your melasma under these conditions.

Other skin care products and medicines. Avoid products that may dry or irritate your skin. These may include soaps and cleansers that are rough or cause drying; certain astringents, such as alcohol-containing products, soaps and toiletries containing alcohol, spices, or lime; or certain medicated soaps, shampoos, and hair permanent products. Do not use any other medicines with TRI-LUMA® Cream unless you have consulted your doctor. The medicines and products you have used in the past may cause redness or peeling when used with TRI-LUMA® Cream.

What are the possible side effects of TRI-LUMA® Cream? A very few patients may get severe allergic reactions from TRI-LUMA® Cream. This includes people allergic to sulfites. They may have trouble breathing or severe asthma attacks, which can be life-threatening.

While you use TRI-LUMA® Cream, your skin may develop mild-to-moderate redness, peeling, burning, dryness, or itching. TRI-LUMA® Cream contains a corticosteroid medicine as one of its active components. The following side effects have been reported with application of corticosteroid medicines to the skin: itching, irritation, dryness, infection of the hair follicles, acne,

change in skin color, inflammation around the mouth, allergic skin reaction, skin infection, skin thinning, stretch marks, and sweat problems.

Stop using TRI-LUMA® Cream and contact your doctor if you have severe or continued irritation, blistering, oozing, scaling, or crusting; severe burning or swelling of your skin; irritation of your eyes, nose, and mouth. Some patients using TRI-LUMA® Cream develop dark spots on their skin (hyperpigmentation), tingling, increased skin sensitivity, rash, acne, skin redness caused by a condition called rosacea, skin bumps, blisters, or tiny red lines or blood vessels showing through the skin (telangiectasia). If you are concerned about how your skin is reacting to the medicine, call your doctor.

General information about prescription medicines Medicines are sometimes prescribed for conditions that are not mentioned in patient information leaflets. Do not use TRI-LUMA® Cream for a condition for which it was not prescribed. Do not give TRI-LUMA® Cream to other people, even if they have the same symptoms you have. It may harm them. This leaflet summarizes the most important information about TRI-LUMA® Cream. If you would like more information, talk with your doctor. You can ask your pharmacist or doctor for information about TRI-LUMA® Cream that is written for health professionals.

Ingredients: TRI-LUMA® Cream contains flucinolone acetonide, hydroquinone, and tretinoin as active ingredients, as well as the following in the cream base: butylated hydroxytoluene, cetyl alcohol, citric acid, glycerin, glyceryl stearate, magnesium aluminum silicate, methyl gluceth-10, methylparaben, PEG-100 stearate, propylparaben, purified water, sodium metabisulfite, stearic acid, and stearyl alcohol.

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BULLETIN BOARD

Know of something missing from our community calendar? E-mail it to arlington@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is 2 p.m. the Thursday before publication. Call Rebecca Halik at 703-917-6407 with any questions. Photos are welcome. For more volunteer opportunities, classes, announcements visit www.arlingtonconnection.com and click on Community.

"Why Do People Believe in Apocalypse?" is the subject of ALRI lecture on Monday, June 16 from 3-4:30 p.m. at the Arlington Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Free. For more information call ALRI at 703-228-2144 and press "3" for special events.

Computer "Recycling" Event, Saturday, June 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Fairlington United Methodist Church, 3900 King St. Pull that old printer out of the closet, bring the old computer you replaced over the holidays out of the basement, dust off those external floppy drives and bring them in on Saturday, June 14. There will be no charge for recycling basic computer cards, cases, keyboards or peripherals. However, there will be a \$15 charge for each computer monitor (stand alone screen) dropped off to cover recycling costs at the recycling center. For more information go to: ecostewardsalliance.org or call 571-323-2386.

Join **Arlington Refugee Services** in a celebration of World Refugee Day on June 20. Come and learn about newcomers in the community and the cultures from which they come. A light lunch will be provided. Donation of \$3 requested. For more information please

FAITH NOTES

Send faith notes to The Arlington Connection, e-mail it to arlington@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is 2 p.m. the Thursday before publication. Call Rebecca Halik at 703-917-6407 with any questions.

Buddhist general program classes are held Mondays, from 7-8:30 p.m. at The Griffin Center, 3800 Fairfax Drive, Suite 5. They last for 90 minutes, and involve introductory lectures and meditations. \$12 contribution. For more information, go to www.meditation-dc.org, or 202-986-2257.

"One Hundred Years of St. George's Episcopal Church: Growth of A Church Community In the Turbulent 20th Century" has been published as part of the church's centennial year. The booklet is well illustrated, and contains stories from many St. Georgians, as well as chronological and personal history gathered from the church's archives and from interviews. Copies are available from St. George's, 915 N. Oakland St.

Mount Olivet United Methodist Church, 1500 N. Glebe Road, introduces "The Well," through energetic and contemplative music led by worship band, relevant, thematic preaching, opportunities for questions about God and faith, time to connect with others and weekly communion. Contact Pastor Brad, bmcmullen@mtolivet-umc.org, 703-527-3934 or www.mtolivet-umc.org.

Faith, Food and Fellowship - Clarendon UMC, 606 N. Irving, offers twice monthly mid-week worship, meal and program on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month. The worship service with inspirational music begins at noon, a hot meal follows at 12:30 p.m., and a program runs from 1-1:45 p.m. Contact the church at 703-527-8574.

e-mail Rebecca at r.ruiz@arlingtondiocese.org or call 703-841-3876.

Are you interested in working with a commission that advises the Arlington County Board on senior issues? There are two that are currently looking for new members. For more information or an application, visit www.arlingtonva.us/aging, or contact the Agency at 703-228-1700, TTY (703) 228-1788, or e-mail Arlaaa@arlingtonva.us.

Virginia Tech in the National Capital Region will hold a **Graduate School Information Session**, Wednesday, June 18, from 6 to 8 p.m., at the Northern Virginia Center, 7054 Haycock Road, Room 214, in Falls Church, for prospective students to explore opportunities in certificate, master's, and doctorate programs. A listing of graduate programs is available at ncr.vt.edu.

Christian Women In Action- A Catholic ministry to women will be hosting a conference at Marymount U. Arlington June 13-15. 703 971-3633 or visit www.cwiaholyspirit.org.

The Arlington Disability Advisory Commission is seeking applicants to interview for several vacant positions. The Arlington Disability Advisory Commission is a 13 member, County Board appointed advisory group comprised of individuals who live and/or work in Arlington, and who are interested in and knowledgeable about issues involving people with physical and sensory disabilities. People with disabilities, community leaders, and business people are urged to apply. Individuals interested in serving on the Commission or any of its committees should contact the Disability Advisory



The 2008 Catholic Charities Ball Committee presented a \$525,000 check to Bishop Paul S. Loverde on May 17 to support the programs of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington. Catholic Charities' programs include a soup kitchen and food pantry, emergency shelter, mental-health counseling, emergency assistance, foster care, services for the elderly, immigrant assistance, services for the disabled, crisis pregnancy counseling, adoption services, parish social ministry, and prison ministry.

Commission staff at 703-228-7096 or via e-mail at amaynard@arlingtonva.us for more information or to request a copy of the Commission's Application Form. The form may also be found on the Arlington County Web site under "Advisory Groups."

Kid's Club will be held on July 9 and Aug. 13 from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Washington Street United Methodist Church, 115 S. Washington St. The church playground/courtyard and Children's Library will be open all morning for kids and parents to come and go

as they please. Enjoy Story Time in the Children's Library at 10:30, a Craft Project at 11 and yummy popsicles at 11:45. Children of all ages are welcome to attend. 703-836-4324 or visit www.wsuac.com for more information on events.

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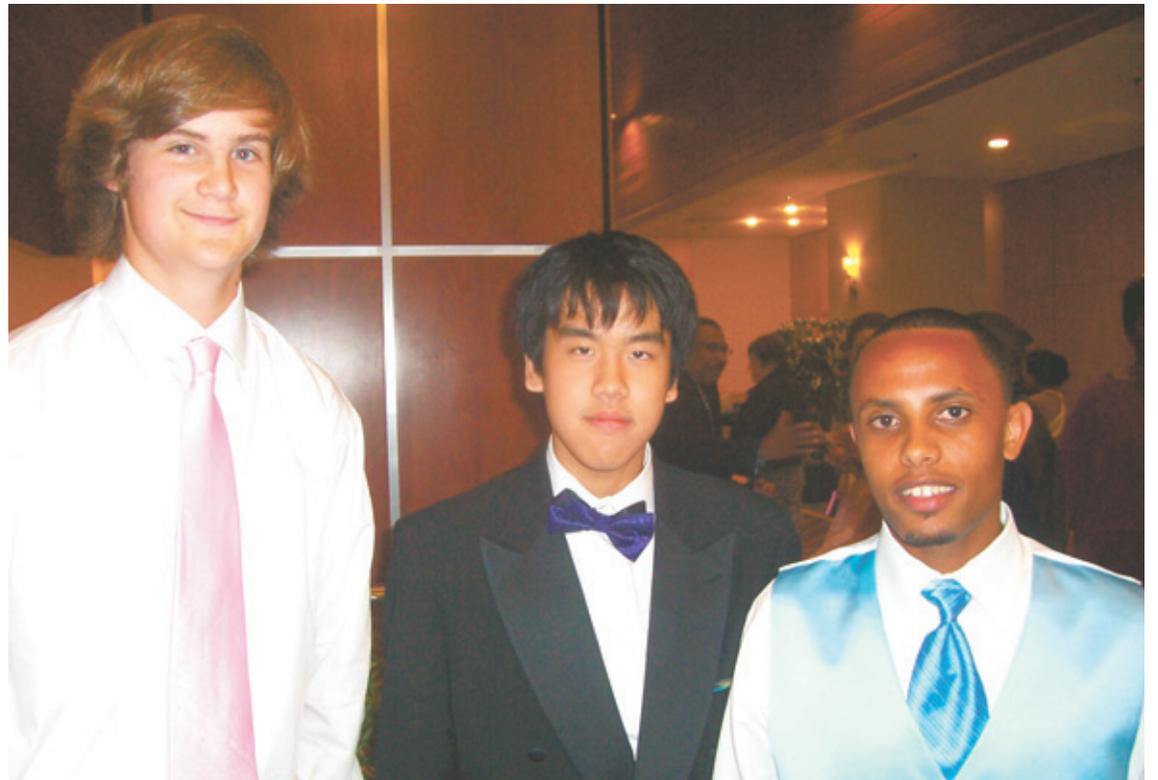
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PROM NIGHT



Alyssa Fernandez and Kanitha Thaonprasert prepare to celebrate at Wakefield's 2008 prom.



Cris Stanton [l] and Mateas Chekol [r] came to prom with their mysterious friend, who goes only by the name "Ace."

Prom Feels Heat

Wakefield High School students didn't let the high temperatures and humidity spoil their prom. Held at the Sheraton Crystal City this weekend, the prom featured a full buffet, free soft drinks and a large bucket of ice that was frequently used. But, judging by the crowding on the prom's large dance floor, a good time was had by nearly all. "I've got wonderful kids," said Wakefield principal Doris Jackson, who was recently named Arlington Public Schools' principal of the year. "They make me look good."

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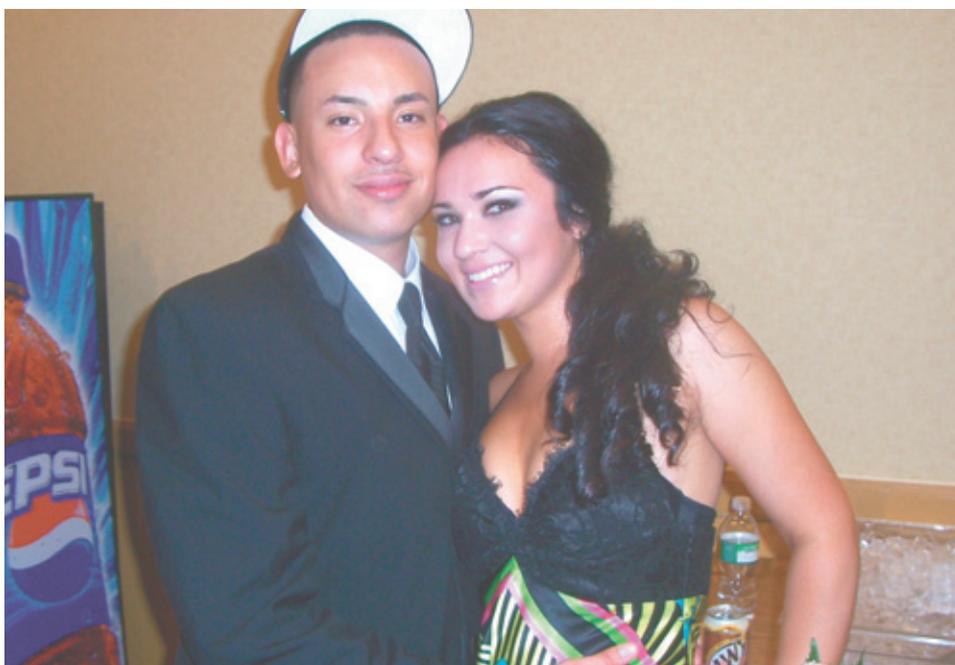
Evan O'Neal went with a retro look for his prom outfit.



Brenden Alexis-Robinson was one of the many Wakefield students at this year's prom.



Earl Graddick, Asia Moten and Vonce Greene attended Wakefield High School's 2008 prom.



Alex Lopez and Eder Valle went with a casual look at this year's Wakefield High School prom.



Linda Sich, Ana Acevedo, Marco Manzo and Madelaine Torres take a break from dancing at the prom.

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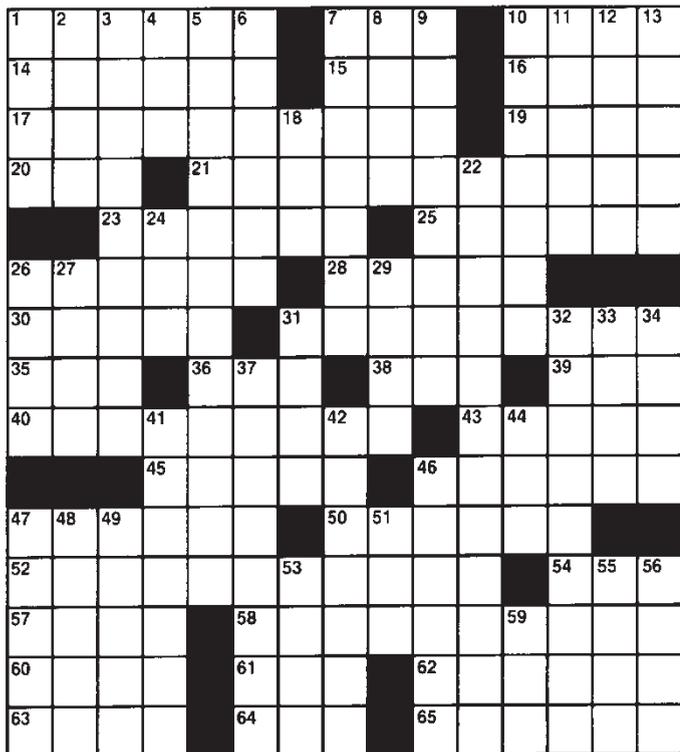
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THURSDAY/JUNE 12

Antiques and Stories. Seniors will bring personal antiques and accompanying stories to Walter Reed Senior Center, 2909 S. 16th St., 1 p.m. Share with antiques expert Jean Jackson from Antiques Associates. No fee; newcomers welcome. Call for details, 703-228-0955.

History Talk. The life and legacy of artist Grandma Moses will be discussed, 10:15 a.m., Walter Reed Senior Center, 2909 S. 16th St., Arlington. Program conducted by Joan Hart, art educator, Museum One. No fee; newcomers welcome. For more information, call 703-228-0955.

Health Talk. Public health nurse Clarissa Roger, R.N., will discuss ways to prevent falls with seniors, 11 a.m., Langston-Brown Senior Center, 2121 N. Culpeper St., Arlington. No fee; newcomers welcome. Call for details, 703-228-5321.

Problem Solving. Seniors will share problem solving experiences at 11 a.m., Lee Senior Center with Rachel Thompson, senior adult specialist, 5722 Lee Highway, Arlington. No fee; newcomers welcome. Call to register, 703-228-0555.

FRIDAY/JUNE 13

Fast Walking Group. Aurora Hills Senior Center's fast paced walking group will meet 9 a.m., 735 S. 18th St., for a 3-4 mph loop in S. Arlington. No fee; newcomers welcome. Call for details, 703-228-5722.

Local Trip. Seniors will visit The Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land, Washington, D.C. Cost is \$8. Call Arlington Senior Adult Travel, 703-228-4749. Registration required.

Games. Scrabble is a brain exercise for seniors and a new event this year in the Northern Virginia Senior Olympics. Walter Reed Senior Center is a Scrabble site for players, 10:15 a.m. – noon. Coaching available; no fee. Call for details, 703-228-0955.

Walkers. The Lee Walkers, Lee Senior Center, will travel to Annandale's Eakin Park East, for their weekly walking program, 10 a.m. Cost is \$2.50; newcomers welcome. Call to register, 703-228-0555.

Music Discussion. The works of Czechoslovakian composer Antonin Dvorak will be discussed 1 p.m., Culpepper Garden Senior Center. No fee; newcomers welcome. 703-228-4403.

Celebration. Early Father's Day celebration at Aurora Hills Senior Center, at noon. Lunch and entertainment by musician and singer, Fred Brooks. Cost is \$6. Register by June 11 by calling, 703-228-5722.

Culture Performance. Hawaiian Extravaganza, 7 p.m., Culpepper Garden Senior Center. Performed by Arlington County Hawaiian and Tahitian Dancers. No fee; newcomers welcome. Register by calling, 703-228-4403.

SATURDAY/JUNE 14

Weight Training. Exclusive hours for seniors at the Madison Community Center weight room with certified fitness coaches, 7-10 a.m. Cost is \$56 for 16 sessions. Call for details, 703-228-4745.

MONDAY/JUNE 16

Culture Talk. Coping and interacting with different cultures will be discussed with seniors, 1 p.m., Aurora Hills Senior Center, 735 S. 18th St., Arlington. Program conducted by Arlington transition counselor, Rachel Thompson. No fee; newcomers welcome. Call to register, 703-228-5722.

Myths, Folklore and Superstition. Dr. Doris Bitler, Assoc. Dean, George Mason University, will present a program about lunar myths, folklore and superstitions, 11 a.m., Langston-Brown Senior Center, 2121 N. Culpeper St.,

Arlington. No fee; newcomers welcome. Call for details, 703-228-5321.

Language Class. Linguist Dr. Merton Bland will conduct ESL classes (English as a Second Language), 11 a.m., Langston-Brown Senior Center, 2121 N. Culpeper St., Arlington. No fee; newcomers welcome. Call for information, 703-228-5321.

Games. Chess club for seniors, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m., Madison Community Center, 3829 N. Stafford St., Arlington. All levels of players welcome; instruction available; no fee. Details, 703-228-0555.

Exercise. Seated exercise class for seniors, 9 a.m., Madison Community Center, 3829 N. Stafford St., Arlington. Drop-in class; \$3.50 per session. Call for details, 703-228-0555.

Exercise. Full fitness exercise class for seniors, intermediate and advanced, 10 a.m., Thomas Jefferson Community Center, 3501 S. 2nd St., Arlington. Improve muscle tone, flexibility, balance, strengthen heart and increase stamina. Drop-in class; \$3.50 per session. Call for details, 703-228-4745.

Walkers. The Walter Reed Walkers, Walter Reed Senior Center, 2909 S. 16th St., will travel to Ft. Hunt, for their weekly walking program, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Cost is \$2.50; newcomers welcome. Call to register, 703-228-0955.

Ice Skating. The Kettler Capitals Iceplex, Ballston Mall, welcomes senior (55+) ice skaters, 8-9:15 a.m. Cost is \$1 for skate rental. For information, call 703-228-4745.

Art Class. Oil painting classes for seniors, taught by artist Larry Isham, begin at Lee Senior Center, 5722 Lee Highway, Arlington. Cost is \$24 for four two-hour sessions. Call for information, 703-228-0555.

Bowling. Armchair bowling for seniors, 9:30 a.m., Langston-Brown Senior Center, 2121 N. Culpeper St., Arlington. No fee; newcomers welcome. Call for details, 703-228-5321.

Performance. Arlington seniors will attend a performance of "An American Journey—Celebrating the Heritage of the American People," at the LaFontaine Dinner Theater, Glen Burnie, Md. Cost is \$55. Call Arlington Senior Adult Travel, 703-228-4749. Registration required.

TUESDAY/JUNE 17

Antique Sharing. Arlington seniors are invited to share antique objects and accompanying stories with Jean Jackson, Antiques Associates, 11:30 a.m., Walter Reed Senior Center, 2909 S. 16th St., Arlington. Program will include brief appraisals. Call to register, 703-228-0955. Space is limited.

Games. "Trivial Pursuit," designed for Baby Boomer generation, Tues., June 17, 11 a.m., Langston-Brown Senior Center, 2121 N. Culpeper St., Arlington. No fee; newcomers welcome. Details, 703-228-5321.

Stamping Club. The Rubber Stamping Club, Lee Senior Center, 5722 Lee Highway, will make dimensional cards with a summer theme, 11:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. No fee; newcomers welcome. Call for information, 703-228-0555.

Ice Cream and Music. Ice Cream with Chopin event at Culpepper Garden Senior Center, 1-3 p.m., 4435 N. Pershing Drive, Arlington. Listen to classical music and enjoy generous helpings of ice cream and toppings. Cost \$1. Call to register, 703-228-4403.

Games. Ping pong for seniors, 10 a.m. – noon, Walter Reed Senior Center, 2909 S. 16th St., Arlington. Coaching available; no fee. Drop-in or call for details, 703-228-0955.

Health Exercise. Open Tai Chi practice, 10 a.m., Madison Community Center, 3829 N. Stafford St., Arlington. No fee; newcomers welcome. Call for details, 703-228-0555.

Walkers. The Langston Walkers, Langston-Brown Senior Center, 2121 N., Culpeper St., will meet 9:30 a.m., for a walk in and around the Center. No fee; newcomers welcome. Call for information, 703-228-5321.

Games. Volleyball games for seniors (55+), Langston-Brown Senior Center, 2121 N. Culpeper St., 1:30 p.m. (practice), 2 p.m. (games). All levels of players welcome. No fee. Call for details, 703-228-4745.

Market. Fisherman's Crab Deck & Seafood Market, Kent Narrows, Md., is on the agenda for seniors. Cost is \$57 (includes all-you-can-eat buffet). Call Arlington Senior Adult Travel, 703-228-4749. Registration required.

New to Medicare Seminar. Attend a free session about the basics of Medicare at 2 p.m. at the Arlington Agency on Aging, 3033 Wilson Blvd., 7th floor. For information or to pre-register, call 703-228-1700.

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'Real-time' Traffic



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

That's what I'm hearing on the radio; on the 8s, on the 4s, pick a number, pick a station, television, too; the implication being that "real-time" is somehow new and better — and different — and to your driving advantage, than non "real-time." All of which is of great comfort to us Washington DC Metropolitan area commuters because the last thing any of us Washingtonians need is misinformation. We receive enough of it already. Moreover, given the fact that typically we are out and about attempting to go somewhere when we hear this misinformation, misinforming us as how to best get there seems contrary to the greater good.

Now, every time I hear "real-time" I can't help wondering exactly what traffic information I have been receiving for the past 30 years. Was it fake-time traffic? Was it old-tyme? (No, that's Schmidt's-brand bread.) Was it given at the right time? Was it even reported at a useful time? And at what time, and under what circumstances, did "real-time" all of a sudden become timely?

Certainly these are all questions above my pay grade, as the expression is so often heard in Washington, but somebody, somewhere has to be responsible. When I consider (shudder at the thought, actually) how much time, real or otherwise, I spend — and have spent — commuting (idling more than anything, it seems), and how frequently I have been listening to the radio — more specifically listening to what I thought were up to the minute and accurate traffic reports; and now to find out, that after all those years, all those bullets I sweated, all those bathroom breaks I couldn't make, may have all been for naught, and not because of the truth, either. But, because the traffic reporters, traffic observers, traffic readers, etc., were providing useless traffic information (but in a timely fashion of course), fictionalizing what is, for many of us, the worst part of our day; someone should suffer, other than us commuters, that is, for the unnecessary consequences of these traffic inactions.

Now I'm not naive enough to think that had the traffic reports always been in "real-time" (meaning/infering that the traffic reports are for the current commuting situation at the time the report is being given/heard), that my commuting would somehow have been drastically different. No, I'm many things, but stupid and delusional I'm not. However, as a former adolescent who grew up watching George Reeves play Superman on television — in black and white, no less — fighting for "truth, justice and the American Way," misinforming the American public in the manner and the consistency I've described seems hardly truthful, just or the American Way.

Learning that we've been deceived, (apparently) since the traffic is now "real-time" hurts. It makes me wonder, that if the American public can't be trusted enough to be given honest, accurate and timely traffic reports, of all things — for fear of whatever, then what other information have we not been given? On the one hand, it's only traffic; but on the other hand, maybe it's symptomatic of a much deeper problem. Trust is a wonderful feeling; to be sure; when you can be trusted. No matter the time.

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