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Attempted Capital Murder?

Jeffrey Koger appears in court on attempted capital murder of police officer.

BY KEN MOORE
THE CONNECTION

Jeffrey Scott Koger held a shotgun against his shoulder and pointed the gun at Virginia State Trooper Jonathan Groner.

"I said, 'Drop the gun, drop the gun,' over and over again," Groner testified, during Koger's preliminary hearing Tuesday, June 17 in Fairfax County General District Court.

"At that time, I took aim at the subject," Groner testified, about a series of events in the early morning hours of Feb. 2, 2007 that culminated in the confrontation in front of Springfield Mall.

After Koger, 38, of Oak Hill, fired his weapon, Groner and Washington Metropolitan Transit Authority officers shot back, hitting him in the mid-section.

Groner gave Koger his Miranda rights en route to Inova Fairfax Hospital.

"You are under arrest for attempted capital murder of a police officer," Groner told Koger, who was admitted to the hospital in critical condition.

On Tuesday, June 17, Judge Penney S. Azcarate certified the case to a Fairfax grand SEE ATTEMPTED MURDER?. PAGE 12



PHOTO BY LOUISE KRAFFT/GAZETTE

The Honorable Judge Nolan Dawkins

Judge Dawkins and his wife Lorraine are surrounded by their daughters Ashley, Kelli and Kimberly following his swearing in as a Circuit Court Judge. For more pictures and story see page 3.

City Files Petition Against Norfolk Southern

Mayor issues apology to the citizens for ethanol operation.

BY CHUCK HAGEE
GAZETTE PACKET

Who knew what when and what did they know? Or was it more a matter of not comprehending the facts rather than not knowing them?

Those questions appear to be at the core of the ethanol transloading controversy with Norfolk Southern Corporation and their facility in Alexandria's West End between Eisenhower Avenue and Duke/Picket streets. Its proximity to Cameron Station, Summers Grove and Tucker Elementary School have raised not only safety concerns but also legal questions as to a possible solution.

As a way to address the latter, City Attorney Ignacio Pessoa has filed a petition with The Surface Transportation Board (STB), successor to the Interstate Commerce Com-

mission, seeking a Declaratory Order making the transloading facility and its operation subject to the City's Special Use Permit process—something the railroad claims is not applicable under Federal laws covering "transportation by rail carriers."

The petition maintains that "the ethanol transloading facility in the City of Alexandria operated by RSI Leasing, Inc., on property apparently leased from Norfolk Southern Railway Company does not constitute "transportation by rail carrier," and that the City's zoning and other regulatory authority is therefore not preempted."

It does not dispute the fact that the railway company "owns the property on which the facility is operated." However, the petition does maintain that "the facility commenced and is being operated by RSI and not by Norfolk Southern. As a result, the operation of the facility is not subject to preemption because it is being operated by a private, non-rail carrier operator."

What triggered this action by Pessoa was a tense and heated May 27 City Council meeting when Alexandria Mayor William D. Euille and Council members publicly took

a Norfolk Southern representative as well as City Manager James Hartmann and Pessoa to task for supposedly not keeping the City and its residents, particularly those in the West End, in the dark about the transloading facility being underway. Both Hartmann and Pessoa admitted to a breakdown in communications during that meeting, according to Euille.

That was followed by a joint statement news release from Euille and City Council, issued June 16, apologizing to Alexandria residents for "inadequate communication provided to the community leading up to and after the opening of the operation." It also placed the blame for that communications breakdown directly with Hartmann and Pessoa.

It further stated, "City Council is taking SEE PETITION. PAGE 37

"They can't have it both ways."

—Alexandria Mayor William D. Euille



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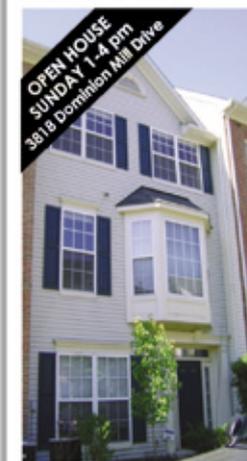
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Dawkins Sworn in As Judge

He becomes Alexandria's first African American Circuit Court judge.

BY HARRY COVERT
GAZETTE

When Nolan Dawkins was growing up, he and his childhood playmate couldn't get a drink of water outside of their homes in Alexandria.

In those days, the city was part of the old-time south where drinking fountains, public facilities and public schools were racially separate and allegedly equal.

Dawkins and his childhood chum, Bill Euille, grew up in the Parker Gray neighborhood. As adults they have been leaders of change in the city and have distinguished themselves, Dawkins as an attorney and jurist and Euille as a businessman and political leader.

Today, things have indeed changed. It was never more evident than on Thursday, June 12 when Dawkins became Alexandria's first African American Circuit Court judge and the 18th judicial circuit's third judge. He joins Chief Judge Donald M. Haddock and Judge Lisa B. Kemler, both native Alexandrians.

William D. (Bill) Euille, now mayor, was among the first speakers at Dawkins' swearing-in ceremonies, first as friend and second as the city's leader. He and Dawkins grew up on Columbus Street. Dawkins was one of seven African Americans who broke the color barrier and entered George Washington High School, graduating in 1965. Euille tagged along but graduated from T. C. Williams High School in 1967.

And, 43 years after graduating from high school, Dawkins was accepting the well-wishes from a packed audience of more than 300 well-wishers in the Franklin P. Backus Courthouse

for his seating.

Del. Brian J. Moran (D-46) read Gov. Timothy M. Kaine's official proclamation naming Dawkins to the Circuit Court. It was Moran who spearheaded the eight-year term through the General Assembly in March in an often sticky political struggle.

THE INVESTITURE APPEARED almost like a homecoming for the respected Judge Dawkins. His wife Lorraine and three daughters, Kelli, Kimberly and Ashley participated in the judicial "robing" of the new judge. Dawkins was greeted by his fourth-grade teacher, Mrs. Mabel Lyles. She beamed with pride listening to the accolades for her pupil at the city's Lyles-Crouch Elementary School. His first grade teacher was unable to attend.

Rev. Dr. Elbert J. Ransom Jr. set the stage for the ceremony as he invoked "Divine favor" on the Dawkins judgeship.



"This is an incredible day," Dawkins said later. "A little piece of me will always be with the Juvenile & Domestic Relations Court. But, it's very different up here. I am looking forward to the work. Alexandria is a wonderful city."

The ceremony was marked by family and friends. As conversations raised the decibel level in Courtroom No. 2, bailiwick of Judge Haddock, the noise was so loud that Deputy Sheriff Walt Travers, the veteran bailiff, had to call the court to order with a booming voice.

Sitting and retired local, state and federal judges, the city's elected Constitutional officers and attorneys all filled in the courtroom.

ACCOLADES MADE IT an ever grander day for Judge Dawkins.

Sheriff Dana Lawhorne, responsible for courthouse security and also an Alexandria native, said: "There is no one more deserving of this position than Judge Dawkins. He has earned this because of his outstanding reputation in our community both professionally and personally. Plus he has a great sense of humor."

Semonian said, "He's given a ton to this community. I had the pleasure of swearing him in the first time (as judge of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court). And I was glad to do it again."

Semonian, also a native Alexandrian, is a 1951 graduate of George Washington High School.

Dawkins was passed over in 2004 when his nomination was stymied by a politically divided General Assembly.

"He never complained and never made a fuss," Dr. Ransom said. "This is his time now."

Clerk of the Court Edward Semonian swears in Judge Nolan Dawkins as a Circuit Court Judge in Alexandria. The Judge's wife Lorraine held the bible for the ceremony.

Retired Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Court chief judge Stephen W. Rideout praised the selection of his colleague, noting how they worked together and often thought alike in the development and growth of their court.



State Delegate Brian Moran congratulates Judge Nolan Dawkins.



Kimberly, Kelli, Ashley and Lorraine Dawkins help dress the Judge in his new robe.



Mayor Bill Euille congratulates Judge Nolan Dawkins.

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Wilkes Tunnel Facelift Unveiled

BY CHUCK HAGEE
GAZETTE PACKET

After 10 months the historic underground connection between South Royal and South Union streets is once again open to pedestrian and cyclist traffic. A little after 9 a.m. last Saturday Alexandria Mayor William D. Euille, flanked by members of City Council and staff, officially cut the ribbon on the refurbished Wilkes Street Tunnel.

After years of deterioration from the concussion of traffic on South Fairfax and South Lee streets above it the old railroad tunnel had become a hazard to users. Now, the brick dome ceiling is secured with steel braces, the pathway is resurfaced, and new lighting adds to its security.

"This work will enable this transportation facility to operate for another 150 years," said Richard Baier, director, Alexandria Transportation & Environmental Services Administration, opening the ribbon cutting ceremony.

"This was not only an active transportation facility for the railroad but it was also a great place to play when I was growing up," Euille told those attending the event.

"We'd have to wait for the trains to pass in order to get to Lyles Crouch School. Which was a good excuse to be late," he said. Then jumping up on the side wall of the tunnel, Euille demonstrated how they would stand with their

"This work will enable this transportation facility to operate for another 150 years."

—Richard Baier, director, T&ES



Alexandria Mayor William D. Euille (center) is joined by members of City Council and City staff in cutting the ribbon to officially mark the reopening of the Wilkes Street Tunnel after a year-long project to refurbish and structurally strengthen the old railroad tunnel that now serves as a pedestrian/bicycle connector between South Royal and South Union streets.

backs against the wall as a train rumbled through missing them by inches.

Following Euille's remarks, Alexandria Archeologist Pamela J. Cressey, gave attendees a history of both the tunnel and the active railroad freight

lines that served the city. "This tunnel is a legacy from when trains were the engine of progress. It helped to changed Alexandria in a significant economic way," Cressey said.

Reconstruction of the tunnel commenced in September 2007 and was completed in March 2008. Strengthening and making the

tunnel more user friendly recognizes the city's commitment to historic preservation, according to T&ES.

Joining in the ceremony were Vice Mayor Redella "Del" Pepper; Council members Rob Krupicka, Timothy Lovain, Paul Smedberg, and Justin Wilson; City Manager James Hartmann; and City Engineer Emily Baker.

Planning Commission Approves Potomac Yard Changes

Metro Station is a proposal but one without funding.

BY CHUCK HAGEE
GAZETTE PACKET

Three primary elements of the Potomac Yard development concept were recommended for approval by the Alexandria Planning Commission at their June 3 meeting, but not without controversy once again triggered by the elusive metro station. In the end the station remained a concept "without funding."

The first proposal on the Commission's docket called for an amendment to the City's Master Plan and Coordinated Development District (CDD) to relocate office density from Potomac Yard Landbays J and L to H to further the goals of creating a more pedestrian friendly environment to stimulate the Yard's Town Center.

Although, the proposal passed by a vote of four to two, Planning staff drew criticism from Commission Chairman Eric Wagner and Commissioner H. Stewart Dunn, Jr., for not placing more positive emphasis on the long-proposed metro station and economic incentives. In fact, Wagner suggested deferral but was unsuccessful. Both voted against the proposal being recommended for approval.

As the staff report stated, "The proposal logically leads to a discussion and analysis regarding a possible Metro station within Potomac Yard. However, a new Metro station is not currently funded and, therefore, the proposed land use applications have been evaluated based on the merits, assuming no Metro station."

What the applicant, MidAtlantic Realty Partners, LLC, was requesting was "transfer of density with the Yard" from Landbays J and L to H in order to make the Town Center more viable. In staff's view that would make the Town Center more "useful" both sociologically and economically.

The proposal accomplishes two specific

goals, according to staff: Provides a critical office density mass to increase its development and marketability and draws more patrons to the Center's retail and restaurant establishments

As staff noted, if a Metro station does come into being at some future date, this proposed change to the Master Plan would increase the development's overall plan and strengthen the Town Center's pedestrian base. However, in these tight budget times the prospect of a Metro Station at Potomac Yard, which would have to be largely funded by the City, remains a questionable prospect.

The other two Potomac Yard items dealt with proposed the 24-acre linear park that runs along the railroad right-of-way in Landbay K and the formal approval of a pedestrian bridge and dog park within Potomac Yard. Both were unanimously approved six to zero. Vice Chairman John Komoroske was absent from the meeting.

Designed to be 70 percent passive recreation, plans call for the park to include two basketball courts, two tennis courts, two

volleyball courts, two multi-purpose fields, a multi-purpose lawn with picnic areas, fitness trails, a playground and vegetative buffer. A 20 foot wide promenade will allow pedestrians access to Four Mile Run and Braddock Road.

When it came to the pedestrian bridge and dog park, the developer, Potomac Yard Development, LLC, proposed to fulfill their obligation by constructing a pedestrian bridge to the north Potomac Greens at the area reserved for a potential future Metro station, dedicating a rail park to the City and designing and constructing a .91 acre dog park on Monroe Avenue.

The proposed 250 feet long bridge, spanning both rail lines, will provide both bicycle and pedestrian connectivity between the east and west sides of Potomac Yard. It is approximately 100 feet longer than the originally proposed bridge.

The other change to the original plans deals with relocating the proposed dog park from within the Rail Park to the Monroe

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Virginia Commerce Bank Celebrates 20 Years

The bank decided to mark its anniversary by working with local charities.

BY GREG ROSENSTEIN
GAZETTE PACKET

a community bank is all about.”

Anniversaries are typically celebrated with cake, balloons and presents. Virginia Commerce Bank had other ideas.

Rather than throw a party for their 20th anniversary this May, Virginia Commerce Bank decided to give back to the community that has helped them throughout the years. All 26 Northern Virginia branches chose charitable organizations to work with, ranging from the Ronald McDonald House to the Alexandria Animal Welfare League.

“We figured the celebration is really how much the community has helped us as a company grow,” Robin Coracci, senior vice president of Retail Administration and Marketing for VCB, said. “We really felt we owed the community for their continued support over the years. It was just our way of truly giving back.”

Dan Marks, branch manager for VCB on King Street in Alexandria, said it was a great opportunity to help local residents in need.

“It was really good to take time out and volunteer to help the less fortunate,” Marks said. “We wanted to remind everyone what

SINCE VCB originally opened on May 16, 1988, the company decided to devote the entire month of May towards community outreach. Some branches joined together for a particular cause. Most of the Alexandria banks partnered with the non-profit “Rebuilding Together Alexandria,” an organization that provides free repairs to homes in need of assistance.

A group of employee volunteers worked on the home of a 76 year-old widow who raised five children in a three-bedroom townhouse in Alexandria. The workers helped fix a leaky roof, the interior hand-rail to the stairs and the front walkway among other repairs.

“There were safety issues but it was also the ability to have her to live in place—not to have to have her feel she had to go to a retirement home,” Bob McCoy, a senior vice president and regional manager, said. “We were able to give her the ability to at least extend those years in her house more safely and comfortably. That is a good feeling.”

Katharine Medina, Executive Director of “Rebuilding Together Alexandria,” said the organization would not be able to achieve



Anne Moffitt, assistant manager at the Del Ray Virginia Commerce Bank, sold red hearts for \$1 each in support of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation last May. Virginia Commerce Bank celebrated its 20th anniversary by working with charitable organizations in the area.

what they set out to do without the help of volunteer groups such as VCB.

“For many years Virginia Commerce Bank has financially supported us,” Medina said.

“But this year they sent volunteers to help work on a house. Without volunteer teams like Virginia Commerce Bank we would not

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Optimists Honor Young Volunteer

Del Ray resident recognized for service to his community.

BY GREG ROSENSTEIN
THE GAZETTE PACKET

Ryan Bailey was born eight teen years ago with Down syndrome. Three months later he underwent open-heart surgery to fill a massive hole in his heart. And he continues to deal with health issues ranging from breathing and speech problems to severe food allergies.

But none of this has hindered Bailey's ability to help others.

Last Tuesday morning at the Belle Haven Country Club, Bailey was named the Sunrise Optimist Club's

Annual Service Award winner for his volunteering efforts in the Del Ray community.

"I cried," Carol Bailey, Ryan's mother, said of her reaction to hearing the news. "He did have quite a

rough start to life. Ryan is here because he wants to be here...he is a fighter. He has a strong desire to do and to live."

Courtney Bishop, the Alternative Community Service Manger for the Alexandria Volunteer Bureau, said Ryan stood out in a wide pool of applicants.

"Given his circumstances, he could

have chosen to not be so involved in the community," Bishop said. "But Ryan did just the opposite. He has risen above a lot of adversity."

Ryan has spent much of his life volunteering at a variety of events in the area including Art on the Avenue, the Del Ray Halloween Parade, Holiday Tree Lighting and Cinema Del Ray. His parents have worked to help rebuild the Del Ray community and Ryan has been with them every step of the way.

"We wanted to try and make him a part of society rather than dependent on society," Terry Bailey, his father, said. "You just learn what your capabilities and capacities are and try and fulfill them. He gets a real enjoyment out of helping other people."

Gayle Reuter, a longtime neighbor and friend of the family who serves on the Del Ray Business Association's Board of Directors, said his disabilities have not held him back from his love of volunteering.

"Ryan has never been afraid to go in and meet new challenges and new situations," Reuter said. "I think what is important is that he is always the first person at all of these events and the last to leave. He does everything with a smile."



Ryan Bailey is presented with the Sunrise Optimist Club's Annual Service Award last week at Bell Haven Country Club.

"With so many teens, the first thing they do not think about is, 'gee, what can I do for the community?'" Reuter said. "And he takes much of his own personal time in doing for others. I think that is extremely unique for young men."

Ryan attends T.C. Williams High School and is part of the Life Skills Program for Students with Special Needs. The group works with local businesses such as the Hilton Hotel and Old Navy to see what skills the students can use upon graduation. Ryan is also a member of the newly instituted "Best Buddies" program, in which students from the regular school partner with Life Skills students to take them to different events.

Patty Moran, a longtime friend of the Baileys and administrative assistant to the Principal at T.C. Williams, said Ryan is known throughout school for his jovial and friendly personality.

"He has done really well in school and is kind of a leader in his class," Moran said. "When he goes to the lunchroom, everyone says hi to him. He gets along with all types of kids here."

When Ryan accepted the award last week, his speech consisted of only "I like to help and thank you very much."

But that was okay. His actions spoke much louder than words.

Reuter said that when they put up decorations on Mt. Vernon Avenue last winter, Ryan stayed out all night holding lights and ladders, despite the freezing temperatures.

Captain Ward Boston Jr. Dies June 12

Captain Ward Boston, Jr. longtime Coronado, California resident died on June 12th after a short term illness at the Coronado Hospital. At the time of his passing, Ward was in the comfort of his beloved wife, Emma and his loving family.

Ward was born in Moberly, Missouri on June 21, 1923, and was the only son of Ward and Margaret Boston. Prior to World War II, Ward had received a scholarship to study oboe at the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, however his life took a detour when World War II was declared. At nineteen (19) years old Ward entered flight school as an aviation cadet. It was in Pensacola, Florida, where he earned his flight wings, and joined the war efforts to preserve America's freedom. He will be remembered as one who belonged in the group called our "Greatest Generation".

At the beginning of World War II, Ward entered the Naval Service and became a "F6F" fighter pilot in the Pacific fleet. Ward also was on combat duty on USS Yorktown, and also flew "Hellcats" and "Corsairs" off of two Jeep Carriers and two CVL Carriers including USS Midway in the Atlantic Fleet. Ward's flight crew soon referred to him as "Blackie", a nickname that followed him through his life span.

After World War II, Ward received his Bachelor of Art and Jurors Doctoral Degrees from the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia. Ward also passed the Virginia State Bar, while still attending Law School, and subsequently practiced law in the "Law Firm of Richardson & Boston" in Williamsburg, Virginia. Shortly after World War II ended, Ward continued to fly as a "Weekend Warrior" and was stationed in Norfolk, Virginia. While stationed in Nor-

folk he met and married his beloved wife Emma Penello.

Ward then accepted an appointment as a "Special Agent" for the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and after graduating from the FBI Academy he was assigned and served in San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Shortly after the Korean War commenced, Ward returned to active duty in the regular Navy as a Judge Advocate lawyer. Upon retirement, Ward had completed thirty-four (34) and a half years of duty. At the time of his retirement, Ward was the senior Captain in the Naval Service.

Ward was a graduate of the Armed Forces Staff College in Norfolk, Virginia, the US Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island and did graduate law studies at George Washington University. During Ward's long and devoted Naval Service career Ward received sixteen (16) combat decorations,

awards and citations.

Ward and his wife Emma retired to Coronado in 1975 to enjoy their retirement years. However, throughout Ward's career; they had many tours of duty in Coronado that began in 1953 and continue until they made Coronado their permanent home. After Ward retired many longtime residents and friends came to know and enjoy Ward's talents, outgoing personality and expertise with civic and legal issues. Ward became active in the Al Bahr Shrine Oriental Band and the Coronado Optimist Club where he held "official club titles". Additionally, he was a member and Officer of the Coronado "Roundtable", and served as the Assistant President for the Grand Jury. Ward also held the title of President of the Silver Strand Chapter of the Retired Officers Association,

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CRIME

Incidents reported to the Alexandria Police Department between June 2 and June 15.

BURGLARY

4400 block Ford Ave. Between May 30 at 5 p.m. and June 2 at 6:55a.m., an unknown suspect gained entry to the business by force. Once inside, the suspect removed business property.

5200 block Duke St. Between June 7 at 5 p.m. and June 9 at 7a.m., an unknown suspect entered the business without force. Once inside, the suspect removed cash.

5200 block Duke St. June 4 at 9

p.m. Two unknown suspects entered a locked office by force. The first suspect is described as a black male, 5 feet 5 inches to 5 feet 8 inches, approximately 160 pounds and wearing a black ball cap, black rain jacket with a green collar and black pants. The second suspect is described as a black male, 25 to 45 years old, 5 feet 6 inches to 5 feet 10 inches, 160 to 190 pounds and wearing a black ball cap, black raincoat and black pants.

GRAND LARCENY AUTO

Intersection of N. Fairfax Street and Oronoco Street. June 2 between 6 a.m. and 6:45 a.m. 2001

Dodge Caravan, van, white.

100 block of Queen St. Between June 3 at 9 p.m. and June 4 at 11 p.m. 2000 Jeep Cherokee, sport-utility, dark blue.

800 block of S. Fairfax St. Between June 4 at 10 p.m. and June 5 at 5 a.m. 1997 Jeep Grand Cherokee, sport-utility, gold.

400 block of Cameron St. Between June 4 at 11 p.m. and June 5 at 7:45 a.m. 1999 Dodge Stratus, 4-door, white.

400 block of Commonwealth Ave. Between June 4 at 6 p.m. and June 6 at 6:30 p.m. 1999 Suzuki GSX-R 600, motorcycle, top black and bottom yellow.

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OPINION

Why Didn't You Vote?

Voter participation last week was dismal; in November it could hit record levels.

Tuesday, June 10 was a primary election day for all voters in Northern Virginia. Less than 6 percent of registered voters turned out at the polls to make some very important decisions.

With primaries in all three congressional districts here, a tiny number of voters trickled into polling places to make their choices.

But during the last presidential election, more than 70 percent of voters statewide turned out to vote. If anything, the election coming in November is likely to bring out even more voters.

Not only the presidential race, but also the statewide Senate race and the three lo-

cal congressional races will attract voters.

Virginia officials would be wise to try to move more local elections, including General Assembly contests, so they coincide with national election, encouraging more voter turnout. Currently, Virginians face some election every November, and they often vote with their feet — by staying home.

What's more, the Board of Elections should mail sample ballots to all registered voters in the weeks before an election, allowing each voter to see what will appear on his or her ballot and confirming the date and polling place. As a state, we'd be far better off with more participation.

Help with Community and Newcomers Guides

What would someone new to your town need to know? What interesting places would you like to have learned about earlier?

A bevy of interns and Connection staff members are already working on the Connection's annual Newcomers and Community Guides, which will publish between the end of July and the beginning of August, depending on the community.

We invite citizens and organizations to send us suggestions, calendar listings for major events for the upcoming year, information on how to get involved in nonprofits and charities, details about your club or

Register for November Election

The deadline to register to vote for the Nov. 4 presidential election is Oct. 6. For forms and instructions, go to http://www.sbe.virginia.gov/cms/Voter_Information/Registering_to_Vote/Index.html

other organization, and anything else you can think of.

We also invite readers to write short pieces about why you love your community, or one special place you'd like newcomers to know about, or any other suggestion you have for a newcomer to your community.

Send suggestions to gazette@connectionnewspapers.com or call Mary Anne Weber at 703-917-6431.

— MARY KIMM,

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Life Free of Back Pain

CHRISTINE CANDIO
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Christine Candio

According to the American Pain Society, back pain is the number one reason Americans visit their physicians. In fact, millions of people suffer from chronic, ongoing back pain, which causes disability in one percent of the country's population. Chronic neck, back, and hip pain is challenging and can significantly affect movement, mood and independence.

At Inova Alexandria Hospital, we believe the best way to beat any health challenge is through education and partnering with your physician to determine the best course of treatment for you.

A key cause of chronic pain is herniated discs, nerve compression or sciatica, and arthritis. All are spine problems, which can cause pain in the legs, arms, hands, but-tocks or even when walking. People suffer-

ing from these pain issues often do not realize that the problems originate in the spine.

Many contending with chronic pain can be treated with anti-inflammatory medications or physical therapy, but sometimes surgery on the spine is needed to permanently alleviate the pain.

Dr. Corey Wallach, a spine surgeon at Inova Alexandria Hospital and Inova Mount Vernon Hospital, along with Dr. Joseph White, states that when spine surgery is the most appropriate treatment option for a neck or back ailment it often brings much-needed relief to the patient.

Spinal surgery for disc and nerve issues, arthritis and other musculoskeletal problems are less invasive and result in faster healing, immediate improvement in quality of life and a return of freedom and independence.

Dr. Wallach often treats patients from their 20s into their 80s, including those with

genetic ailments and sports injuries. He finds that once the surgery is performed, his patients want to return to the normal activities they enjoyed before their chronic pain began. Once the pain is eliminated, walking, cycling, running and other activities are possible.

At Inova Alexandria Hospital, we believe the key to a challenging health issue is information. We have a commitment to providing the education and treatment you need to overcome any health challenge.

To learn more about treatment options for chronic pain or other health issues, contact Inova HealthSource at 703-750-8800 or visit inova.org/healthclasses to attend a free lecture.

Write

Letters to the Editor must be sent in by Friday at noon. Include name, telephone number and address.
The Connection
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She is here!

By L.E. NICOME II

Populated the once empty streets, they all

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Fields echo the kicking, throwing, hitting, bouncing of the ball

While some men go to the gym, women flock the mall

Little children embrace her, they do not stall

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For she is here! She is here! Say goodbye to winter and fall

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Happy Anniversary

Joseph and Alice Krafft celebrated their 60th Wedding anniversary on Saturday, June 14 at La Bergerie where the family gathered for a photograph. Front row: Aunt Anne Kelly, Uncle John Krafft, Alice and Joe Krafft
 2nd row: Martha Krafft, Cairn Krafft, Anne Suddy, Laurel Bartalon, Terry Johnson, Flora Slavin and Louise Krafft
 3rd row: Rebecca Krafft, Amy Kelly, Kathy Long, Douglas Krafft, Amy Krafft, Jean Krafft, Michael Slavin, Martin Krafft, John Long, Fred Krafft.
 4th row: Charles Krafft, Karl Long, Stuart Krafft, Luke Krafft, Peter Krafft, Skip Krafft, Matthew Krafft, Max Krafft, Henry Krafft and Johanna Krafft. Shannon and Joseph, both grandchildren of Alice and Joe were out of town and could not attend.

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Koger Charged With Attempted Capital Murder

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jury, one of the first steps for a felony case to proceed in Fairfax County Circuit Court.

Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Casey M. Lingan presented Groner as his only witness Tuesday. Koger faces the possibility of life in prison, if convicted.

KOGER IS SUSPECTED of embezzling and diverting \$2.2 million from Virginia homeowners associations and investing some of the money, in his wife's name, in a health club and a steak house on Capitol Hill.

He has been under investigation by the police and Internal Revenue Service for approximately two years, but no charges against him have yet been announced.

Koger, the former chief financial officer of his father's real estate management firm, was suspected in November 2006 of embezzling from some of the 400 homeowners associations managed by Koger Management Group.

His father, Robert Koger, reported to

Fairfax City Police that he believed his son embezzled \$800,000 through electronic transfers.

Koger Management Group filed for bankruptcy on July 27, 2007. (See related story.)

IN THE EARLY MORNING of Feb. 2, 2007, according to police reports, a man stopped his car behind a taxicab stopped at a traffic light at the corner of Seminary Road and North Beauregard Street in Alexandria.

The driver of the car got out, walked to the taxi driver's window, and fired several shots into the cab. The taxi driver was seriously injured, according to police.

About 20 minutes later, two men drove into the parking lot of the Fairfax County Police Station on Franconia Road to escape



Jeffery Koger

a car that had been chasing them. Koger, driving a 1990 Jeep Cherokee, followed them and shot both men, Fairfax County Police said.

Trooper Groner earlier had stopped a vehicle that had been traveling erratically and was told by the occupants that they were traveling to the Franconia District Police Station to help friends who were in trouble there. Groner was escorting them to the Franconia Police Station when he spotted a SUV with

its hazard lights flashing. The trooper asked the occupants if everything was all right.

"They pointed over my right shoulder and said there was a man with a gun over there," Groner said.

Groner focused his attention on the man with the gun, who turned out to be Koger. Koger fled the scene in his car, traveling

70-80 miles per hour on Franconia Road.

Trooper Groner and Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Police pursued Koger who slammed his Jeep into a traffic control box in front of the Springfield Shopping Mall.

"The defendant got out of the vehicle with the firearm in hand," Groner testified.

PETER D. GREENSPUN, Koger's defense attorney, asked Groner if Koger said anything at that time. "The only thing he said out loud was, 'Help me, they're coming to get me,'" Groner testified.

At this time, Koger has only been charged with attempted capital murder of a police officer, although the investigation is continuing.

During a preliminary hearing, the prosecution presents just enough evidence to establish that there is probable cause to move a case forward to a grand jury. The defense does not present its version of events or defense theory of the case.

Koger's case is scheduled to proceed to a Fairfax County grand jury in July.

Bank Celebrates 20 Years

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be able to give the services we provide to homeowners that allow them to stay in their homes."

Employees from the Alexandria, Arlington and Newington branches worked with "Christmas in May," in which they helped a single mom with four children move and settle into a new apartment. As the workers were about to leave at the end of the day, the six year-old boy said, "I have been having a really rough time lately and I cannot begin to thank you for all of these wonderful blessings."

Other services provided by VCB include work with the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, the Loudon Abused Women's Services and the Fair Oaks Manor Care.

Steve Reeder, executive vice president of retail management, said it was important to give back to a community that has supported them all these years.

"It is very fulfilling and worthwhile for our employees to support different organizations," Reeder said. "The stronger our communities are the better place it is to live and to do business. The satisfaction that you make from helping other people who are less fortunate is like no other."

Ali Abdhussain and Soo Yeo smile while working at McDonalds this past May. Virginia Commerce Bank employees helped raise money for the Ronald McDonald House.



Designer Hosts the Yacht Haven Garden Club Tour

Interior design seamstress and garden designer, Linda Brown opened her Stratford Landing home and garden, for the Yacht Haven Garden Club members and their guests to tour her spectacular garden on June 5th.

Features in the garden included: a hosta walk showcasing 176 hostas, a breezeway with Imperial Hanging baskets, shade gardens, tropical plants, column planters, and butterfly gardens that provide the nectar and host plants for the Black Swallowtail and Monarch butterflies which Linda Brown raises.

Brown answered gardening questions and showed the various stages of her butterflies during the tour. Members brought food donations for UCM to the garden tea. YHGC holds an annual fall fashion show with proceeds going to local communities. The club also sponsors a children's garden project at Washington Mill Elementary School and beautifies the entrances to various neighborhood subdivisions.



Hostess Linda Brown, Marvel Luykx, Angelita Kabler, Ebba Jo Spettel, Carla Amerau, Jan Hamlin, Linda Ely and Mary Woods at the Courting Swing.

LIFE

Moran's Vantage Point

Congressman and wife LuAnn Bennett share their contemporary home.

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE
THE CONNECTION

Waking up in the master bedroom of U.S. Rep. Jim Moran (D-8) and wife LuAnn Bennett's home can feel a bit like waking up outdoors. When Bennett opens her eyes, all she can see is trees through the large glass windows.

"You feel like you are in a tree house. ... It does bring the outdoors in," said Bennett of her contemporary home overlooking the Potomac River along Chain Bridge Road.

The couple enjoys the interaction they have with nature on the two-and-a-half acre site in Arlington. Both mentioned that a local fox and deer frequently wander onto the property that includes a swimming pool and outdoor tennis court. An eagle keeps a nest in one of the old trees beyond the pool.

"I love gardening and flowers and wild animals," said Moran.

THE CONGRESSMAN was the one who insisted the couple forego drapes because of the view, even if it means waking up to the sunrise in the winter when the leaves fall off the trees, said Bennett. She and Moran primarily bought their home in 2004 because it overlooked the Potomac.

"We decided on the site because of the breathtaking view of the River. It certainly wasn't the house at the time," said Bennett.

She and Moran initially intended to tear down their existing home and build an entirely new house on the property. Their plans changed when the architect returned with a design for a 20,000 square-foot structure that didn't suit.

"The architects had a grand vision. It was



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Enjoying a Sunday morning with coffee and the paper and Lulu, the Portuguese Waterdog.

a very big house that we didn't need. This house was more than adequate for Jim and me. Ninety-five percent of time, it really does suit our needs," said Bennett.

Instead of pursuing new construction, the couple focused on renovating the existing home, which is 2,000 to 3,000 square feet. Bennett's real estate development and construction

company, Bennett Group, handled much of the

interior work, she said.

She and Moran converted a room in the basement into a fourth bedroom, so that Moran's two young children and Bennett's youngest son each had a space of their own. The house was also rehabbed to be environmentally friendly, a specialty of Bennett's firm.

"The windows and skylights light it ... and the plumbing is designed to reduce the use of water," said Moran.

BENNETT AND MORAN'S home has some interesting history. Its previous owner was Najeab Halaby, father of Queen Noor, who was the fourth wife and widow of King Hussein of Jordan. The home's architect, Charles Goodman, also designed the original National Airport and served as the main architect of the Hollin Hills neighborhood in Alexandria.

"It fits into the side of the river. It is not dissimilar to the Frank Lloyd Wright style," said Moran.

When she moved into the new house, Bennett's

furniture was already contemporary but she gave it a fresh look by recovering most pieces.

"The furniture in the living room is over 25 years old. Why get rid of it when I can recover in another fabric? It just seems so wasteful. I don't like to throw things away and Jim really doesn't like to throw things away," said Bennett. She let Moran pick the new fabrics for the living room furniture, which is decorated in shades of blue, Moran's favorite color.

PRIOR TO MOVING into their current house, Bennett lived in Great Falls and most recently McLean. Moran had lived in the Del Ray neighborhood of Alexandria and another section of Arlington.

The couple is considering a move to Old Town in Alexandria, where Bennett's oldest son lives. Moran said he has always thought of Alexandria as "his home."

"It fits into the side of the river. It is not dissimilar to the Frank Lloyd Wright style."

— Jim Moran



Orchid's grow easily in the light filled rooms of Luanne and Jim's home on top of Chain Bridge Road.



Terraced gardens blooming with azaleas border the river view of the house.

PEOPLE

The Armenian Connection

The tenth annual Armenian festival was celebrated at Market Square in Alexandria on June 7. Despite the fact that the temperature soared into the high 90s, visitors still had fun, enjoying the folk dances and the food.



The Arax Armenian Dance Ensemble reforms onstage to do a second set of dances.



The welcoming ceremony included Rev. Sarkis Aktavoukian, pastor of Soorp Khatch Armenian Church; Virginia Senator Patsy Ticer; Vice Mayor Del Pepper; Rev. Hovsep Karapetyan, pastor of St. Mary Armenian Church and the Honorable Vardan Barseghian, representative of the Republic of Nagorno-Karabakh. The group is joined by the emcees Dean Shahinian, Esq., Artemis Jerikan and Meganooch Avakian and the Arax Armenian Dance Ensemble.



Visitors enjoyed the shade of the trees as the temperature continued to climb during the afternoon.



Pastry chef Maro Nalabandian places the special cheeses into an ice cooler as the temperatures rose into the high ninetys at the annual festival on June 7.



Children's activities were set up inside the lobby at City Hall.



Emcees of the festival were Dean Shahinian, Esq., Artemis Jerikan and Meganooch Avakian.

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There is a pet calendar contest to benefit the **Animal Welfare League of Alexandria**. All pets are eligible and all entries will appear in the calendar. \$25/pet, which includes one calendar. Entry deadline is Aug. 22. Visit www.alexandrianimals.org or 703-838-4774.

The Alexandria chapter of the Coronary Health Improvement Project (CHIP), will sponsor a **Community Health Expo and Seminar** on Sunday, June 22 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Community Praise Center, 1400 Russell Road. The event highlights include a fitness clinic, vegan cooking demonstrations, health information on hypertension, diabetes, cancer, cholesterol, door prizes. Free health screenings for blood pressure, diabetes, body fat analysis and more will be provided. Services for alternative health therapies will also be offered for a nominal fee. The expo is free and open to the public. For more information or to RSVP, call 703-823-2139 or email cpchchip@comcast.net

The annual **Fostering the Future Cruise**: a Parrothead Paradise takes place on Wednesday, June 25, aboard the Cherry Blossom paddleboat at the City Marina in Old Town Alexandria. Cocktail reception at the dock at 6:30 p.m., before setting sail at 7:30 p.m. Ticket price includes buffet and bar, with margaritas from Mango Mike's and the laid-back island music of the Nautical Wheelers Band. On-board raffle for Sony Bravia 32" flat-screen TV and other great prizes. Attire is Key West casual, flip-flops optional. All proceeds benefit The Fund for Alexandria's Child. For tickets and further information, call 703-519-3318 x 206 or visit: www.ourkids-ourbusiness.org/thefundforalexchild

Nonprofit organizations and other grantseekers in Alexandria looking for funding sources now have access to a valuable new collection of resources through Alexandria Library. **The Foundation Center's** core collection includes *The Foundation Directory Online* and *Foundation Grants to Individuals Online*. All four Alexandria Library branches have access to the two databases through their catalog computers. The complete Cooperating Collection of print and electronic resources is held at

the Barrett Library, located at 717 Queen St. For more information visit www.alexandria.lib.va.us.

The City of Alexandria has partnered with Alexandria City Public Schools to obtain a grant for \$70,000 to **retrofit approximately 40 school buses** with clean air technology that reduces pollutants emitted by diesel engine school buses. For more information about the Retrofit Grant Program, please contact Erica Bannerman, Department of Transportation and Environmental Services, at 703-838-4334 or David Rose, Alexandria City Public Schools, at 703-461-4169.

The **Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition of Alexandria** (SAPCA) invites youth (6th - 12th grades) and adults who live in the City of Alexandria or work with Alexandria youth to complete a short online survey that asks for perceptions and opinions about youth substance abuse in our community. Incentives are provided for youth participants, and adult survey participants have access to recent statistics on youth substance abuse in Alexandria. Community members are asked to complete one of the seven questionnaires, which are all available at alexandriava.gov/sapcasurvey and can be completed in about 10-15 minutes.

The **4Paws Rescue Team** is allowed to keep foster cats at the Petco in Alexandria to increase their chances of finding a loving home. Petco volunteers are asked to commit to one evening or morning each week to care for 2-4 cats. Currently are in dire need of Friday, Saturday and Sunday morning volunteers (until noon), but volunteers for other shifts are encouraged to apply as well. (If interested, contact info@fourpaws.org or by phone at 703-715-6369.

On Friday, June 27, **Alexandria Mayor William D. Euille** and the City of Alexandria's Health Department will host a rally in recognition of National HIV Testing Day. The rally will begin at noon at Market Square in front of City Hall (301 King

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ALEXANDRIA/OLD TOWN

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Only one of two models...this dramatic "New York loft-style" residence is enveloped in the original façade of historic Portner Brewery...showcased with soaring 12'+ ceilings, Palladian windows & exposed brick walls. At 1,819 sq. ft., there is space for two bedrooms (each with private terrace), study/3rd BR, three baths, kitchen/FR with adjoining patio, den with wet bar, custom built-ins, two parking spaces & storage unit. On the market in late June.

ALEXANDRIA/OLD TOWN

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Space & Elegance

...takes on a whole new meaning in this rare, totally-unique, 28' wide town home...that lives like a single family home...with both formal & casual living areas on four gracious levels. A beautiful floor plan that encourages the creative use of space...three master suites with private baths, a den/home office, two-car garage, tons of storage...and four decks backing to trees. With every

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ALEXANDRIA BULLETIN

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St.). Vice Mayor Redella S. "Del" Pepper will make remarks, followed by persons with HIV/AIDS, who will give their personal testimonies about living with the disease. T. C. Williams High School student Young Lyric, a rap artist and winner of the Citywide Spoken Word competition, will provide entertainment at the rally. For more information, please contact Neshelle Terrell at 703-838-4400 ext. 305.

Thursday, June 26: **"Managing for Results In a Downturned Economy."** The workshop is open to Alexandria restaurant and retail businesses and will be from 8 - 9:45 a.m. at the Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. There is no charge for this workshop, but space is limited so attendees must register in advance. Send an e-mail to pmelton@alexandriasbdc.org. Indicate "Willson Workshop" in the Subject line and include the name of the attendee(s), business name, address, telephone and e-mail.

On Monday, June 23rd, the New Neighbors Education Center (an English as a Second Language program located in Alexandria)

is hosting a Restaurant Night Fund Raiser at Bookbinders Restaurant at 109 South St. Asaph Street, Old Town, Alexandria. Bookbinders is graciously donating 15% of its proceeds for the evening to support this valuable program. Dinner reservations are from 5 to 10 pm; please call 703-683-1776 for your reservations.

The Northern Virginia Review is accepting entries for the next issue, slated for publication in March 2009.

The Review, an annual journal of essays, fine art, photography, poetry and short stories, accepts submissions from residents of the Northern Virginia and the greater Washington metropolitan area.

People may submit two essays, two works of fiction, three pieces of artwork and four poems, with a limit of five items per person. The deadline for entries is Sept. 18. Additional guidelines can be found at <http://www.nvcc.edu/depts/nvreview/nvr-submit.htm>. The Review is funded by Northern Virginia Community College, the NVCC Educational Foundation, individuals and corporate sponsors. Contributions are tax deductible and all donors are recognized in the publication. To make a donation or learn more about the journal, contact Managing Editor Steve Drasner at sdrasner@nvcc.edu.

The Alexandria Archaeological Commission (AAC) is now accepting nominations for the Bernard "Ben" Brenman Archaeology in Alexandria Award. Nomination forms are available at www.alexandriaarchaeology.org or by calling the Alexandria Archaeology Museum at 703.838.4399. The deadline for nominations is June 30.

Alexandria Library now offers its patrons a chance to write their own reviews of almost all of the Library holdings (books, movies, music, and other materials) on the Alexandria Library Web site online catalog at www.alexandria.lib.va.us. To access the online catalog, visit www.alexandria.lib.va.us, click on "Library Catalog," and begin browsing. To write a review, simply register and type your review for all to read. For more information, contact Mark Schwartz at 703-519-3498, or e-mail

mschwartz@alexandria.lib.va.us.

Community Partners for Children's fourth annual baby supply drive is underway. The following Alexandria drop off locations will have donation baskets and containers.

- * A Show of Hands, 2204 Mt. Vernon Ave.
- * Burke & Herbert Bank, 306 E. Monroe Ave.
- * Caboose Café, 2419 Mt. Vernon Ave.
- * Chinquapin Rec. Center, 3210 King St.
- * Chrysalis Chiropractic, 3140 Commonwealth Ave.
- * Dairy Godmother, 2310 Mt. Vernon Ave.
- * St. Elmo's Coffee Pub, 2300 Mount Vernon Ave.
- * T.C. Williams High School, Main Office, 3330 King St.
- * Yoga in Daily Life, 2402 Mt. Vernon Ave.

The Northern Virginia Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program is seeking persons who are diplomatic, assertive, and good communicators to serve as volunteer ombudsmen. Volunteers are assigned to a specific local nursing home or assisted-living facility in the City of Alexandria and make weekly visits, meeting one-on-one with residents. For further information and to obtain an application, call 703-324-5422, or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/LTCOmbudsman.

Greenlight Toastmasters International every second and fourth Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Mount Vernon Rec Center, 2701 Commonwealth Ave. Visit greenlight.freetoasthost.info or 703-569-4810.

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\$665,000
*Classic Center
Hall Colonial!*

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2215
Cavendish Dr
\$545,000
*Fabulous
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Cape Cod features a bright and open floor plan and

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4417
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\$550,000

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903
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\$1,240,000
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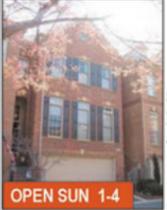
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Alexandria/Old Town
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Alexandria
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SHAD ROW
This Shad Row Patio entrance townhouse, features over \$130,000 of custom kitchen and luxury Master Bath renovations, to include a full bathroom addition. The home has 2 bedrooms and 2 baths, hardwood floors on 3 levels, travertine marble bathrooms, Elfa closet systems, and 1 underground garage parking space.

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Alexandria/Old Town
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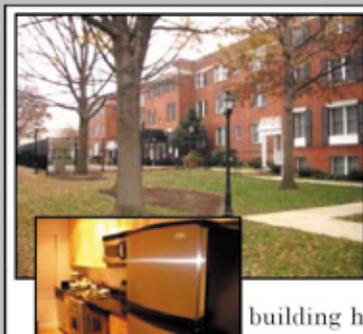
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The **Alexandria Mental Health Family Support Group** of NAMI/FOCUS is open to all dealing with mentally ill family members suffering from depression, bipolar or schizophrenia. Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month from 7:30-9:30 p.m. at the Alexandria Mental Health Office, Community Service Board Clubhouse, 4480 King St. Contact J. Gulka, Facilitator, 571-451-0773.

Capital Hospice is starting a Grief Support Group at the Hollin Hall Senior Center on Mondays, from 2-3 p.m. to talk with others who have also had losses. Carol Mansfield of Capital Hospice will facilitate. Call Senior Center at 703-4573 or sign up on their Bulletin Board.

Yoga in Daily Life, 2402 Mount Vernon Ave., offers classes for people of all ages and physical ability, seven days a week. Meditation classes also offered. Free trial class the first week of each session for newcomers - next session begins June 23. Drop-ins welcome. Lunchtime Yoga classes held on Wednesdays 12:15- 12:50 p.m. Visit <http://www.yogaindailylifeus.org/> or call 703-299-8946.

Dr. Corey Wallach, orthopedic surgeon, will discuss new treatments for neck pain, Wednesday, June 25 at 7 p.m., Inova Mount Vernon Hospital, 2501 Parker's Lane. To attend, visit www.inova.org and click on "Health Info & Classes" or call Inova HealthSource 703-750-8800.

Dr. John Albrigo, orthopedic surgeon, will discuss hip and knee replacements that are minimally invasive, Monday, July 28 at 7 p.m., Inova Alexandria Hospital, 4320 Seminary Road. To attend, visit www.inova.org and click on "Health Info & Classes" or call Inova HealthSource 703-750-8800.

Dr. Stefano Agolini, board-certified surgeon, will discuss new options for hernia repair, Wednesday, July 30 at 7 p.m., Inova Alexandria Hospital, 4320 Seminary Road. To attend, visit www.inova.org and click on "Health Info & Classes" or call Inova HealthSource 703-750-8800.

Dr. Corey Wallach, orthopedic surgeon, will present "Treatment for Neck Pain", Thursday, July 31 at 7 p.m., Inova Alexandria Hospital, 4320 Seminary Road. To attend this free lecture, contact Inova HealthSource at 703-750-8800 or visit www.inova.org and click on "Health Info & Classes."

Body in Balance Center, 1423 N. Powhatan St., offers fusion flow for parents and babies, a class specifically designed for parents with babies who are crawling and beginning to walk as well as pre-crawlers. Classes are offered Thursdays at 11 a.m. and Saturdays 11:30 a.m. \$20.00 drop in fee or 6 class pass for \$90.00. Visit www.bodyinbalancecenter.com or 703-518-4434.

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Come have a blast at **Power Lab** the week of July 21 - 25. This free week-long Vacation Bible School is open to first through sixth graders. It will be held at Harvest Church each night from 6:30 p.m. until 8:45 p.m. Kids will experience incredible music, hyperspeed games, wacky snacks, mind-blowing Bible adventures, amazing crafts and much more! Pre-registration is suggested by calling 703-971-7070, however walk-ins will be accepted. Harvest Church is located at 7401 Beulah Street in the Kingstowne area of Alexandria.

Saint James' Episcopal Church of Mount Vernon will highlight the 50th anniversary of its founding this year with a visit and sermon on June 22 by The Rt. Rev. David Colin Jones, Bishop Suffragan of the Diocese of Virginia, The Rev. B. Kris Kramer, Priest-in-Charge, announced. Assisting in this "Homecoming Celebration" service will be The Rev. Holt Jenkins of Alexandria. Saint James' honored Rev. Jenkins last year with the title of Priest Emeritus for serving as the priest who conducted the first service of the newly founded parish 50 years ago at Woodley Hills Elementary School in Mount Vernon.

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Shrine Mont: Saint James' has enjoyed this spiritually uplifting and restful weekend for many years. Our 50th anniversary will make our time together at Shrine Mont even more special this year, with The Rev. Howard Hanchey, formerly Saint James' first professional counseling priest, as our convener.

July 14-18 – Vacation Bible School: Last year was the first time in 20 years that Saint James' conducted Vacation Bible School. The week was highly successful with 30 children participating. This year we are planning for at least 50 children. Adult parishioners are also blessed through their "hands-on" involvement with the children. Public invited.

Kid's Club will be from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on July 9 and Aug. 13 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. Visit www.wsumc.com or 703-836-4342.

Children ages 3-through those who have just completed 2nd grade will learn what it means to know, speak, and live with God's love. The adventure will be Tuesday, July 15-Friday, July 18 from 9:30 a.m. to noon at Washington Street UMC, 115 S. Washington St. To register, visit www.wsumc.com For more information contact the church at 703-836-4324 or office@wsumc.com.

It's time for children from ages 3 through grade six to blaze a trail to **Vacation Bible School**. Gather at the Bible Study Campfire to hear Bible stories and learn life applications, play games at the Recreation Barn, create neat crafts at the Crafts Corral and enjoy some grub at the Chuck Wagon. The adventure begins every evening from 6:30-8:30 p.m., June 23-27, Good News Baptist Church, 5940 Telegraph Road. Pre-register by calling 703-329-2990 or send an email to Pastorcal@goodnewsbaptistchurch.org. Free. Visit <http://www.goodnewsbaptistchurch.org/> for directions.

Mount Vernon Presbyterian Church, 2001 Sherwood Hall Lane, has a special learning session from 9:45-10:45 a.m. every Sunday starting June 1 through Aug. 24. Children and adults will have the opportunity to learn about traditional Bible-times family life by playing authentic games, being apprentices in the Carpentry Shop, chatting with shopkeepers and tax collectors, participating in Synagogue School, and sampling food. For more information about this exciting program, or to pre-register, call 703-765-6118 or e-mail mvpva@aol.com. Visit www.mvpconline.org.

St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Road has activities. 703-360-4220:

There is also a group of moms and pre-school kids that meets every Wednesday morning at 9 a.m. for coffee, muffins, and fellowship and moves into the church at 9:30 a.m. to take part in the Day School's chapel service, which is a short child-friendly service full of singing and silliness.

Convergence: A Creative Community of Faith at 1801 N. Quaker Lane, gathers each Sunday at 5 p.m. for a worship gathering. All are welcome. Visit www.convergenceccf.net, or call 703-998-6260.

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Belvoir Celebrates Army Birthday

Child spots his father's picture in a new Army book

By CHUCK HAGEE
GAZETTE

They battled not only the best equipped and trained military machine in the world at the time but they did it in bone chilling cold and snow without proper clothing, weapons or housing at Valley Forge. They turned the tide of the Civil War at Gettysburg and saved the nation. Their lungs were seared with chlorine and mustard gas in the trenches of France during the "war to end all wars."

It didn't and they were volunteering again to "save the world for democracy" within a quarter of a century. They littered the beaches of Normandy with their blood and bodies and went on to crush the German military machine once again.

They fought under an international flag in Korea and remain to maintain the peace there today, more than a half century after the guns went silent. They suffered the stifling heat and tiger cages of Vietnam only to come home to a sharply divided nation.

Now they suffer the ravages of roadside bombs, suicide bombers, and some of the worst war inflicted injuries in their long and valiant history. More are coming home proportionately than in any of the previous conflicts but far more are also bring their lifelong scars of war with them — visible and invisible.

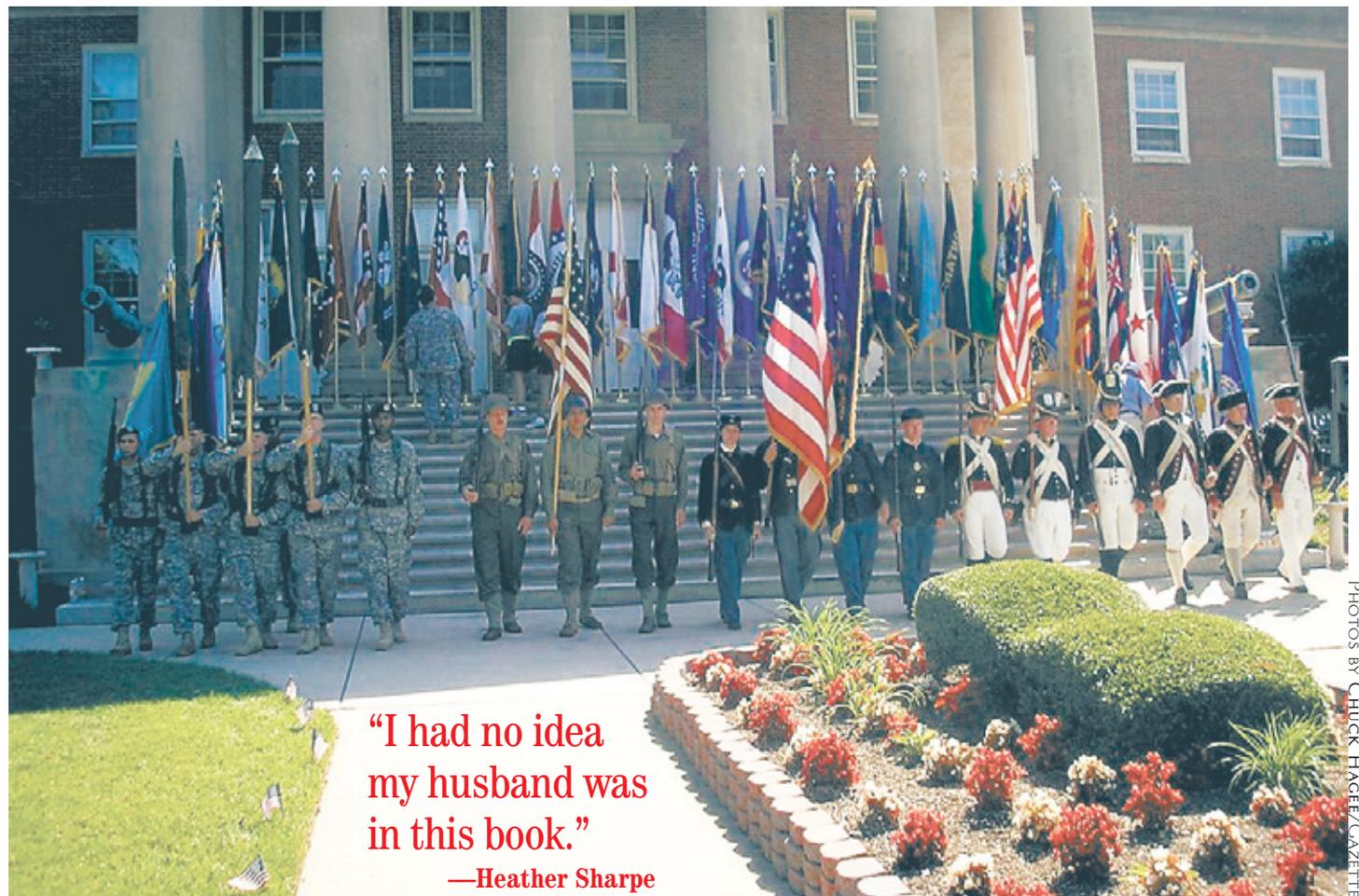
It all began 233 years ago with a proclamation from the U.S. Congress officially establishing the U.S. Army. And the next year the 13 star flag, fashioned by Betsy Ross, became the official banner under which those upstart colonies that had formed themselves into a loosely allied federation fought the British juggernaut.

Last Thursday, June 12, in front of the headquarters building at Fort Belvoir, both the U.S. Army's 233rd birthday and the American flag's 232nd birthday were celebrated in a fashion that recognized both the strengths and sacrifices of the nation, its people and its defenders.

"America would not be the beacon of democracy if it were not for the men and women serving in today's Army. The legacy of the U.S. Army dates back to the formation of this nation. Let us renew our commitment to duty and to this nation," said Ft. Belvoir Installation Commander Col. Brian Lauritzen.

"Much of our success depends on keeping our people informed. Our

motto, "Army Strong," goes beyond physical strength. It goes to being strong spiritually and ethically," he told the crowd assembled on the headquarters lawn facing a phalanx of color guard wearing Army uniforms from the Revolutionary War to the present.



"I had no idea my husband was in this book."

—Heather Sharpe

Color Guard soldiers representing the U.S. Army from the Revolutionary War to the present day assembled in front of Fort Belvoir's headquarters building during a dual celebration of the Army's 233rd birthday and Flag Day.

Prior to Lauritzen's remarks, Fort Belvoir Historian Gus Persons gave a history of the American flag from the original 13 stars banner to today's 50 Stars and Stripes. First proposed by President Woodrow Wilson in 1916, the designation of June 14 as Flag Day was not approved by Congress until 1944 with the first celebration in 1945, Persons explained.

"Both the Army and the flag personify our country," said Ft. Belvoir Public Information Officer Donald Carr, noting that the flag is

on the right shoulder of every soldier's uniform.

In keeping with the event's theme, "America's Army — Strength of the Nation," the original Congressional proclamation officially establishing the U.S. Army was read by Ft. Belvoir Soldier of the Year Specialist Joanna Montoya and NCO of the Quarter Brad Morrow. Deputy to the Installation Commander Jo Ann Banks lead the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by Lauritzen formally administering a symbolic oath of citizenship to attendees.

Following the formal ceremonies the entire crowd was treated to birthday cake and red, white and blue cup cakes compliments of the Ft. Belvoir Commissary. The cake was officially cut with a silver military saber wielded by Lauritzen, Montoya and Morrow.



Ft. Belvoir Installation Commander Col. Brian Lauritzen (center) is joined by Specialist Joanna Montoya (right), Ft. Belvoir's Soldier of the Year, and Staff Sgt. Brad Morrow, Ft. Belvoir's NCO of the Quarter, in using a silver plated saber to cut the cake.

PRIOR TO THE Army Birthday/Flag Day ceremonies, Army Chief of Staff Gen. George W. Casey, Jr., continued the tradition honoring Army families as part of the birthday recognition. As Lauritzen noted in his re-

marks, "Soldiers draw their strength from their families and now is the time to honor those families."

To that end Casey read the book "Happy Birthday Army," which explains various facets of the Army through the eyes of a child, to a group of children at Fort Belvoir's Markham School Age Services. During that event Casey received some unsought knowledge.

One element of the book refers to and pictures Army dogs and their handlers participating in various venues. As Casey was explaining about the Army dogs and showing the children a picture in the book of one such a handler, four year old Tristan Sharpe raised his hand and said, "My daddy is an Army dog handler" to which Casey responded, "That's nice," and moved on.

Following the reading Tristan asked if he could see the picture of the dog handler again because he thought the person looked familiar. Casey showed him the picture and Tristan exclaimed, "That's my daddy."

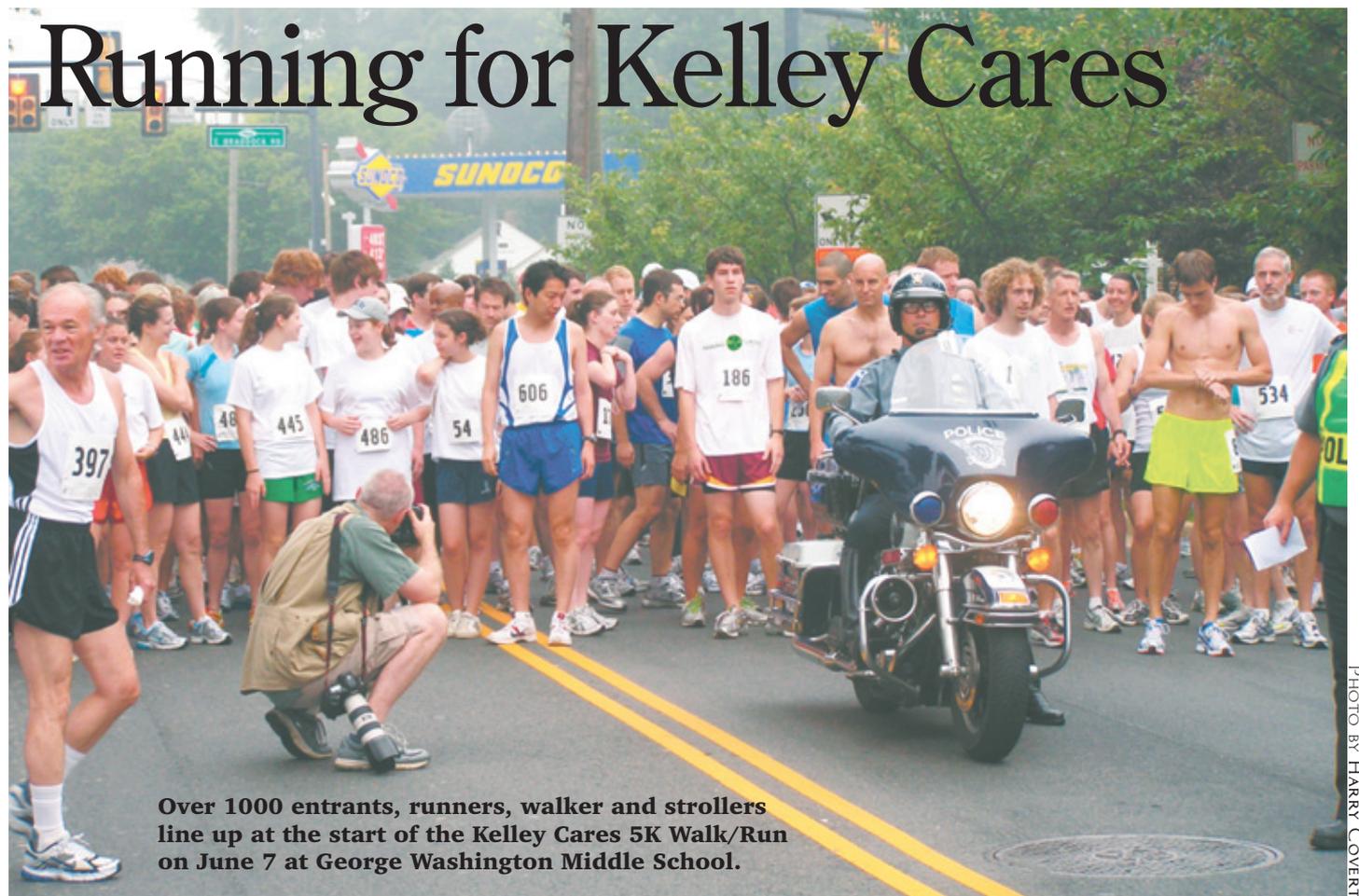
Sgt. Joshua Sharpe, 212th Military Police Detachment, Headquarters Battalion, Fort Belvoir, is presently deployed to Iraq with his dog Kira. Tristan's mother, Heather Sharpe, who was also at the children's event, said, "I had no idea my husband was in this book."

Casey, gave the Sharpe family an autographed copy of the book that contains many photos, graphics and history of Army events and life. He also departed with a memory that he will long cherish.

PHOTOS BY CHUCK HAGEE/GAZETTE

COMMUNITY

Despite the early morning fog and humidity, over 1000 runners, walkers and strollers signed up for the third annual Kelley Cares 5K Walk/Run which began at 8 a.m. promptly in front of George Washington Middle School and wound its way through Del Ray's streets. The funds raised are used to benefit the Therapeutic Recreation Department, part of Alexandria Parks and Recreation.



Running for Kelley Cares

Over 1000 entrants, runners, walker and strollers line up at the start of the Kelley Cares 5K Walk/Run on June 7 at George Washington Middle School.

PHOTO BY HARRY COVERT



John Porter announces the start of the race.



Vice Mayor Del Pepper congratulates the winners.

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Clients and staff of the Alexandria Therapeutic Recreation program walk the route carrying a banner of thanks.



Ryan Bailey completes the course after raising over \$1500. for the center.

GRADUATION 2008

Bishop Ireton Celebrates Graduation

Bishop Ireton High School celebrated its graduation on Tuesday, June 3 at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in D.C.



PHOTOS BY CHRIS GANSSLE

The graduates of the Bishop Ireton Class of 2008 leave the Shrine at the conclusion of the ceremony.



Father Matt Hillyard poses with graduates on the steps of the Shrine. It was the last Bishop Ireton graduation for Father Hillyard

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Summer Swim: Everybody into the Pool

The CSL and NVSL kicks off their 2008 swim season.

BY PAUL FROMMELT
GAZETTE PACKET

With 126 swim teams in 21 divisions and made up of thousands of swimmers, the Northern Virginia Swimming League and the Colonial Swim League are making sure that Saturday mornings around Northern Virginia begin in the pool.

The NVSL houses 102 competitive swim teams, spread out in 17 different divisions throughout Fairfax County, Arlington and Alexandria. The more developmental CSL sports 24 competitive teams throughout four divisions, drawing mostly from Fairfax County and Loudoun County.

"The excitement level is really up," said CSL President Bobby Winterbottom. With most teams conducting their time trials last Saturday, both leagues will kickoff their 2008 dual meet season on June 21.

"They have been practicing now for two weeks so the kids are really fired up and ready to get in there and start swimming against somebody else," said Winterbottom.

Both league's seasons will culminate on August 2, for their Individual All Stars meet.

"It is a short season, but it is a really intense season. The kids are out of school and everybody is very excited, especially for that very first meet," said NVSL publicity chairman Keenan Goldsby.

Founded in 1956, the NVSL's mantra is, "A love for the sport, advanced aquatic skills, teamwork, and the principles of good sportsmanship."

Winterbottom takes the same approach when speaking of the CSL's goals this summer.

"We try to teach them good sportsmanship and get them ready for bigger things," he said. "If they want to continue with swimming, they are getting all the knowledge and the experience to continue on."

Notable recent NVSL and CSL alumni include Kate Ziegler, 19, who broke the 1500-meter freestyle record last June, the longest standing world record at the time. Ziegler, a four-time World Champion, is favored to win gold at the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing.

Suzanne Schwee, a CSL alumna who graduated from Stone Bridge High School this year, will swim for the University of Alabama and has posted top-20 times in butterfly and backstroke.

Recent Lake Braddock grad Ashley Danner, considered a top-10 swimmer, started in the NVSL and will swim for George Mason.



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A CSL swimmer prepares to race during the 2007 CSL Individual All Star meet at Wakefield Chapel.



CSL swimmers dive into the pool at the 2007 Relay Carnival.



A CSL swimmer shows off her dolphin body art at the 2007 Relay Carnival at Sugarland Run.

2007 Division Champs

Northern Virginia Swim League

Division	Team	Record	Points
Division 1	Overlee	5-0	2014.00
Division 2	Little Rocky Run	5-0	1757.00
Division 3	Lee-Graham	5-0	1803.00
Division 4	Fox Mill Woods	3-2	1414.00
Division 5	High Point Pool	5-0	1432.00
Division 6	Dunn Loring	5-0	1448.00
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Division 15	Long Branch	5-0	1308.00
Division 16	Lincolnia Park	4-1	1332.00
Division 17	Laurel Hill	5-0	1460.0

Colonial Swim League

Division	Team	Record	Points
Red Division	Burke Centre	5-0	1653.00
White Division	Chan. Highlands	5-0	1505.00
Blue Division	Barrington	5-0	1387.00
Gold Division	Fort Meyer	5-0	1558.00

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NVSL and CSL: 2008 Important Dates

Colonial Swim League

First Dual Meet of the Year:
Saturday, June 21, 2008
Relay Carnival
Sunday, July 13, 2008
Divisionals
Saturday, July 26, 2008
All Stars
Saturday, August 2, 2008

Northern Virginia Swim League

First Dual Meet of the Year:
Saturday, June 21, 2008
Divisional Relays
Wednesday, July 13, 2008
Divisionals
Saturday, July 26, 2008
Individual All Stars
Saturday, August 2, 2008

OBITUARY

Captain Ward Boston Jr. Dies June 12

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and he was a member and served in the San Diego Chapter of the Society for former FBI agents. Ward was instrumental in the organization of this FBI Chapter and held a position as an Officer. Ward was very active in the "Hammer Club" and the "Unconcerned Citizens" of Coronado. For thirty years (30) he was a weekly volunteer at the San Diego Aerospace Museum and a "Senior Volunteer Patrolman" for the Coronado Police Department.

Within the last few years, Ward had become instrumental in the investigation and uncovering the facts behind USS Liberty and the 1968 historical implications of his

and the late Admiral Isaac Kidd, investigation as "Senior Judge Advocate" for the Sixth Fleet in Naples, Italy. Ward has always been and was an advocate for the survivors of USS Liberty as well as those who were lost at sea.

Ward and his beloved wife, Emma loved Coronado since four generations of his family resided on Coronado Island. Ward's late parents home, the "Pickford-Boston House" was designated a Coronado Historic Landmark in 1981.

Ward is survived by his beloved wife of 60 years who resides in Coronado. Three children: Anne Boston Parish of Alexandria, Virginia, Ward Boston, III and his wife Maryanne of Saint Petersburg,

Florida, and Geoffrey Daniel Boston of Park City, Utah.

He is additionally survived by six grandchildren: Daniel Ward Boston, Jennifer Parish Wallace and her husband, John, Christopher Miller Boston, George Rod Parish,

IV, Emma Jane Boston and Tyler Geoffrey Boston. Additionally, Ward is survived by his sister-in-law, Anne Jenkins of Norfolk, Virginia.

On June 24th, at 1p.m. Ward will be interred at Fort Rosecrans Na-

tional Cemetery on Point Loma with full military honors. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, Ward wished to have all donations made to the Disabled American Veterans.

VOLUNTEERS

Send volunteer notices to gazette@connectionnewspapers.com or call Rebecca Halik with any questions 703-917-6407.

Community Lodgings needs tutor/mentor a child in the Alexandria community. The after school program provides homework assistance as well as character development. Contact: Emily Barnes, 703-739-5856 emilybarnes@communitylodgings.org

The **Alexandria Commission for Women** needs volunteers to work with its Court Observation Program. This program is a volunteer-based court monitoring and research project which follows cases of sexual and domestic violence. Volunteers are asked to commit to working at least one morning each month in the Alexandria City Courthouse. Training will be provided two evenings: Tuesday, May 6 and Wednesday, May 14 from 7-9 p.m. Volunteers need to attend only one of these sessions. Contact Laura Mandala at 703-798-5452 or Laura@MandalaResearch.com.

Port City Playhouse - construct and paint sets for the theatre. Box office and ushering help also needed for performances. Groups and youths age 15 and older are welcome. Contact: Robert Kraus, 703-838-2880 portcityinfo@aol.com

Alexandria Legacies, the City of Alexandria's Oral History Program, is seeking volunteers to help collect the oral histories of long-time Alexandria residents by documenting their memories of living and working in Alexandria. Oral history volunteer training sessions will be held on Saturday, May 10, and Saturday, June 7, from 10 a.m. to noon, at the Alexandria Archaeology Museum (in the Torpedo Factory Art Center) at 105 N. Union St., Suite 327. Space is limited and an RSVP is required by Thursday, May 1. If interested, contact Jen Hembree by calling 703-838-4399 or by e-mail at jen_hembree@hotmail.com.

There will be a **volunteer management boot camp** from 9 a.m.-noon in Alexandria. Part of Volunteer Fairfax. Visit www.volunteerfairfax.org, and click on "Training Registration" on the left-hand side. The fee for this session is \$35.*For more information, e-mail Emily Gibbs at egibbs@volunteerfairfax.org.

UCM's Transitional Housing Program is looking for volunteer groups to

help provide a prepared well balanced meal for about 60 people, this includes children. Groups would be asked to sign up for 1 meeting per year on the third Tuesday evening of each month. The grocery bill would be at the group's expense and a tax donation slip would be provided. Assistance with child care is needed. Call Betsy Damitz, volunteer coordinator 703-768-7106 ext. 328.

The Child & Family Network Centers has many volunteer opportunities, including volunteering in classrooms, field-trip assistants, ESL and Spanish language tutors, clothing drive assistant and office assistant. They also need volunteers to help prepare for their annual wine tasting fundraising event in the spring. Contact Patricia Chapman at 703-836-0214 or pchapman@cfnc-online.org.

Higher Achievement seeks teacher mentors to work with motivated scholars at Hammond Middle School from 6-8 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Karen Berry, Volunteer Coordinator, 202-544-3633 or kberry@higherachievement.org

The Hispanic Committee of Virginia needs volunteers for their youth programs, including volunteers to mentor Hispanic teenagers and for "Arroz Con Leche," a weekly reading and writing enrichment program for immigrant 2nd and 3rd graders. Spanish language proficiency is not required, training and support is available, and average commitment is just 1-2 hours/week. Contact Jodi Hammer at 703-671-5666, ex. 20, or educationcoord@hcva.org.

Project Northstar needs volunteers to tutor children who live in homeless shelters, transitional housing programs and foster care. Project Northstar matches adult volunteers with the same student for one evening per week to work on basic math and reading skills. 202-223-0144, ext. 10

RAINN (Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network) seeks volunteers for the National Sexual Assault Online Hotline, which provides live, secure, anonymous, instant message-style crisis support to the growing number of people who prefer communicating via the Internet — giving those affected by sexual assault a safe place to turn when they can't find their voice. Contact Darcey West at 202-544-0227 or darceyw@rainn.org.

Legal Notices



ALEXANDRIA PLANNING COMMISSION

JULY - 2008

The items described below will be heard by the Planning Commission and the City Council on the following dates. NOTICE: Some of the items listed below may be placed on a consent calendar. A consent item will be approved at the beginning of the meeting without discussion unless someone asks that it be taken off the consent calendar and considered separately. The Planning Commission reserves the right to recess and continue the public hearing to a future date. For further information call the Department of Planning and Zoning on 838-4666.

ALEXANDRIA PLANNING COMMISSION
TUESDAY, JULY 1, 2008
7:30 PM, CITY HALL
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
301 KING STREET
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

ALEXANDRIA CITY COUNCIL
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2008
9:30 AM, CITY HALL
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
301 KING STREET
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

SPECIAL USE PERMIT #2007-0107

CARLYLE DEVELOPMENT-Area bounded by Duke Street to the north, Holland Lane to the east, Eisenhower Ave to the south and Mill Road to the west, known as the Carlyle Development

CARLYLE COORDINATED SIGN PROGRAM

Consideration of a request for an amendment to the Carlyle Coordinated Sign Program; zoned CDD-1/Coordinated Development District - 1. Applicant: Carlyle-Lane-CFRI Venture II, LLC and LCOR Ballenger Avenue, LLC by Jonathan P. Rak, attorney

TEXT AMENDMENT #2008-0004

SMALL BUSINESS ZONING

Consideration of a text amendment of the Zoning Ordinance eliminating the requirement for SUP approval for a variety of uses, changing a variety of uses to either permitted or administrative SUP uses, and amending the procedures and standards for minor and change of ownership amendments and for administrative SUPs, as recommended by the Small Business Task Force.

Staff: Department of Planning and Zoning

THE FOLLOWING WILL BE HEARD BY PLANNING COMMISSION ONLY, (AND BY CITY COUNCIL ONLY UPON APPEAL.)

SUBDIVISION #2008-0002

714 WYTHE STREET
SUBDIVISION

Consideration of a request to subdivide the subject property into two lots; zoned OC/Office Commercial. Applicant: Sophie Development, LLC

DEVELOPMENT SITE PLAN #2006-0026

3601 JEFFERSON DAVIS HIGHWAY
TARGET EXPANSION

Consideration of a request for a development site plan to expand an existing retail store; zoned CDD-10/Coordinated Development District 10. Applicant: Target Corporation by Molly McKee, agent

Legal Notices

Obituary

Georgie F. Richardson (age 89)

On June 11, 2008 at her home in Alexandria. She was preceded in death by her husband, Chester Richardson and two sisters, Virginia Simpson and Martha Smith. She is survived by her loving daughter, Sandy Richardson, sister Marion Rice, nieces Janet Smith and Lona Taley, nephews Gordon and Gary Smith and James Simpson as well as numerous great nieces and nephews. A memorial service was held on Monday, June 16 at Grace Episcopal Church, 3601 Russell Rd, Alexandria, VA 22305. In Lieu of flowers, charitable contributions may be made to the School improvement Fund, c/o 613 Park Lane East, Charlottesville, VA 22902.

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Case No JJ020397-06-00
Commonwealth of Virginia
VA. CODE § 8.01-316
Alexandria J & DR Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court
Commonwealth of Virginia, in re
BRIONA WILLIAMS

The object of this suit is to: Approve the permanency plan submitted by Alexandria DHS, with the goal of adoption, to terminate the residual parental rights and responsibilities of Michael Wilkerson, the alleged father of Briona Williams born 4/16/1998, daughter of Jeannie Williams-Sandifer.

It is ORDERED that the defendant Michael Wilkerson(father) appear at the above named Court and protect his or her interests on or before 7/22/2008 at 9:00am

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Case No JJ020397-07-00
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VA. CODE § 8.01-316
Alexandria J & DR Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court
Commonwealth of Virginia, in re
BRIONA WILLIAMS

The object of this suit is to: Approve the permanency plan submitted by Alexandria DHS, with the goal of adoption, to terminate the residual parental rights and responsibilities of unknown father, of Briona Williams born 4/16/1998, daughter of Jeannie Williams-Sandifer.

It is ORDERED that the defendant unknown father appear at the above named Court and protect his or her interests on or before 7/22/2008 at 9:00am

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Case No JJ020396-06-00
Commonwealth of Virginia
VA. CODE § 8.01-316
Alexandria J & DR Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court
Commonwealth of Virginia, in re
JOSHUA WILLIAMS

The object of this suit is to: Approve the permanency plan submitted by Alexandria DHS, with the goal of adoption, to terminate the residual parental rights and responsibilities of Earnest Payton, alleged father of Joshua Williams born 4/9/2000, son of Jeannie Williams-Sandifer.

It is ORDERED that the defendant Earnest Payton(father) appear at the above named Court and protect his or her interests on or before 7/22/2008 at 9:00am

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Case No JJ020396-07-00
Commonwealth of Virginia
VA. CODE § 8.01-316
Alexandria J & DR Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court
Commonwealth of Virginia, in re
JOSHUA WILLIAMS

The object of this suit is to: Approve the permanency plan submitted by Alexandria DHS, with the goal of adoption, to terminate the residual parental rights and responsibilities of unknown father, of Joshua Williams born 4/9/2000, son of Jeannie Williams-Sandifer.

It is ORDERED that the defendant unknown father appear at the above named Court and protect his or her interests on or before 7/22/2008 at 9:00am

Legal Notices



Public Hearing will be held by the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, City of Alexandria, Virginia, on Tuesday, June 24, 2008, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as may be heard on the hereinafter described items.

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Article 2 (DEFINITIONS), Article 7 (SUPPLEMENTAL ZONE REGULATIONS), Article 8 (OFF-STREET PARKING AND LOADING), Article 11 (DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS AND PROCEDURES), and Article 12 (NONCOMPLIANCE AND NONCONFORMITY), of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, to adopt Infill Zoning Regulations (Text Amendment No. 2008-0005).

The proposed ordinance accomplishes the final adoption of Text Amendment No. 2008-0005 to adopt Infill Regulations as part of the City of Alexandria Zoning Regulations, as recommended by the Infill Task Force, and approved, with amendments, by the Planning Commission.

AN ORDINANCE to amend Chapter 4 (COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS), of Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, by adding thereto a new Article U (PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY COMMISSION).

The proposed ordinance constitutes the existing Public Health Advisory Commission as a standing committee established by ordinance. In addition, the proposed ordinance changes the membership of the commission from 13 members to 14 members, including citizens, health care practitioners, institutional and governmental representatives. No substantive change in the functions, powers or duties of the commission is being made.

THE PUBLIC IS ADVISED THAT AMENDMENTS OR ADDITIONS MAY BE MADE TO PROPOSED ORDINANCES WITHOUT FURTHER PUBLICATION. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT PERSONS INTERESTED IN ANY OF THESE ORDINANCES OBTAIN FREE FULL-TEXT COPIES FROM THE CITY CLERK AT CITY HALL. JACKIE M. HENDERSON, CMC, CITY CLERK. (APO #132404)

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WALTON SR AND JR. AND BOBEE AND ALL
OTHER RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Case No JJ020560-01-00
Commonwealth of Virginia
VA. CODE § 8.01-316
Alexandria J & DR Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court
Commonwealth of Virginia, in re
JOSE DANIEL SALVADOR

The object of this suit is to: Custody/Visitation
It is ORDERED that the defendant Sonia Milagro Palacios appear at the above named Court and protect his or her interests on or before 7/31/2008 at 9:00am

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Puzzle by David J. Kahn

- ACROSS**
- 1 Small coin
 - 5 Racing car product
 - 8 Some Iranians
 - 13 Part of a chorus
 - 14 Word with strings or horns
 - 15 "Do I — you?" (line from "GoodFellas")
 - 16 Beechcraft Baron or Cessna 310
 - 18 Clobber
 - 19 Atomic energy source
 - 20 More, musically
 - 22 Sellout
 - 23 Bond accrual: Abbr.
 - 24 Division
 - 26 Modern prefix with friendly
 - 27 See 32-Down
 - 29 Mischief
 - 30 Kind of boot
 - 31 Take off the rolls
 - 33 Outfielder's throw, maybe
 - 36 Bygone era, which will help answer the five italicized clues
- DOWN**
- 25 Edwardian wit who wrote "The Happy Hypocrite"
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 - 32 Place where 27-Across is sung
 - 34 Undissembling
 - 35 Counter offer?
 - 36 Fade gradually
 - 37 Badges
 - 38 1950's TV variety show sponsor
 - 39 Salon fixtures
 - 43 African antelopes
 - 45 Nicely sun-tanned
 - 46 Poe poem
 - 47 None too challenging courses
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City Files Petition Against Norfolk Southern

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swift action to address this situation.” The petition to the STB was filed Tuesday, June 17.

THE RELEASE goes on to state, “Norfolk Southern acted irresponsibly in locating the facility in a residential neighborhood near a school, opening the facility without appropriate notification to the City or the community, and opening the facility when the City was unable to adequately respond had there been a serious emergency at the site.” However, as far back as Sept. 18, 2006, in a letter addressed to Rich Josephson, deputy director, Alexandria Department of Planning and Zoning, William A. Galanko, vice president-law, Norfolk Southern Corporation, in responding to an Aug. 25, 2006 inquiry from Josephson about the transloading facility, stated, “Since June 19, 2006, Norfolk Southern has met with, and provided facility plans to various Alexandria officials.”

Those officials included Euille, Hartmann, Deputy City Manager Mark Jinks “as well as D. T. Perry and Art Dahlberg from the Alexandria Fire Department,” according to Galanko’s letter. “We have integrated all modifications proposed by Alexandria fire officials to address perceived safety and fire concerns, including but not limited to special spill containment facilities, additional fire hydrant locations, foam capability, and additional portable fire extinguishers,” Galanko stated.

“The facility will be fenced, gated and secured, and will be operated in a safe manner in conformance with any applicable health and safety requirements,” he said. But, he also insisted that the STB jurisdiction over “Transportation by rail carriers is exclusive” and therefore not subject to local zoning regulations and processes.

“Application of this section (of the federal statute) preempts Alexandria’s zoning statute to the extent that it would require any permit prior to the modification or operation of the facility,” Galanko noted in his letter written 20 months prior to the May 27, 2008 Council meeting.

He also maintained that the preemption of state and local zoning laws and permit

requirements applies to “the construction of rail facilities to be operated by or on behalf of rail carriers.” Norfolk Southern maintains RSI is operating the transloading operation “on behalf” of the railroad.

THE FACT THAT RSI is operating the facility under an agreement with Norfolk Southern goes to the heart of the City’s petition to the STB. It claims this nullifies the federal exemption of rail carriers.

“We don’t know the actual wording of the arrangement between Norfolk Southern and RSI because they have not shared that with us. But, if the railroad has surrendered control of the property to a third party we

entitled “Going Green with Freight Offers Benefits,” she delves into the growing business of transloading ethanol by RSI owner Bob Tucheck whom she interviewed in 2007.

The article states that ethanol shipping by rail and off loading into tank trucks “has made RSI the largest bulk transloader of ethanol in North America.” Tucheck stated in that article, “The trend (transloading ethanol) also has prompted construction of the newest terminal in Alexandria, Virginia, which will open early next year and be dedicated exclusively to the shipment of ethanol.”

Tucheck further stated, “The cheapest way to get ethanol from the heartland of the United States into the consuming markets and to the gasoline storage facilities is via rail. We have the terminals, and they’re in the proper markets.”

It is this fact, that RSI and not Norfolk Southern is the sole operator of this transloading facility, that Pessoa states in his petition to the STB removes the federal protective cloak from the operation. Since the transloading operation commenced on April 9, 2008 no Norfolk Southern employees have been involved “in conducting or supervising the off-loading,” according to the City’s petition.

However, if the STB comes down on the side of Norfolk Southern, then the petition seeks an order from the Board directing the railroad “to comply with federal regulations governing the transloading of ethanol by railroad.” That states, according to Pessoa, that “ethanol from a rail tank car be off-loaded to a permanent storage tank, with the capacity to hold the rail car’s entire content.”

Each rail car carries an average of 29,000 to 30,000 gallons of ethanol. The tank trucks to which their cargo is off loaded have a capacity of approximately 10,000 gallons each. This requires an estimated three tanker trucks to off-load one rail tank car.

There was no indication as to when the Board will decide upon the City’s petition. However, as Euille stated in his news release, “The City is moving forward on two simultaneous fronts — doing everything we can to shut down this facility and to protect the health and safety of our residents from any dangers posed by this facility.”

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— William A. Galanko

believe this negates the exemption,” said Christopher Spera, assistant City Attorney.

“Our contention is that it is who controls the operation and not who owns the land on which the operation is taking place that determines if it is subject to our zoning laws,” Spera said.

That was reiterated by Euille. “If the railroad has contracted out this operation then they are not entitled to the federal protection. They can’t have it both ways,” he said.

“It is my understanding that the regulations say that when this material comes in it must be unloaded and moved out. You can’t have fully loaded rail cars waiting to be unloaded— that’s against regulations,” Euille said.

“I’ve heard the argument that there are a lot of dangerous fuels and materials moving all around us everyday. But, these rail cars are standing fully loaded at a site. That’s the difference,” he said.

In an article published in the January 2008 issue of the Greater Lansing Business Monthly, written by Jo Anne Paul-Stanton,

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June 23 and continue through Friday, August 15. Activities include sports, games, tournaments, arts and crafts projects, swimming, and reading activities. Special events include an ice cream social, international food tasting, field day, a pre- Fourth of July cook out, movies and a Show Your Talent contest. In addition, participants will take field trips. Operating hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday at the Dr. Oswald Durant Memorial Recreation Center. Children who are residents of the City of Alexandria, between the ages of 6 and 12, are welcome to participate (children 5 years of age may participate if they have completed kindergarten).

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Planning Commission Approves Potomac Yard Changes

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Avenue area across from Simpson Fields. The area includes a .66 acre in Landbay L and .25 acre of the Monroe Bridge right-of-way that will be vacated when the new Route 1 bridge fully opens.

THE COMMISSION also unanimously recommended approval of a series of text amendments to the Zoning Ordinance rec-

ommended by the Infill Task Force chaired by Commissioner Dunn and composed of eight other members representing residents, architects, realtors and developers.

Addressing critical aspects of infill development, the Task Force recommended the following: Height and Bulk: Establish average height limits and clarify floor area definitions to reduce excessive deductions. Historic preservation and demolition issues: Encourage establishment of overlay districts

and explore the creation of a Citywide pattern book. Neighborhood compatibility: Measure height from existing grade; permanently adopt interim threshold height regulations; encourage qualifying open front porches; permanently adopt interim subdivision regulations; and Establish a tree cover requirement.

Visual impact of front garages, vehicle parking, paving and driveways: Encourage detached garages in the rear of the lot; al-

low permeable driveways in required yards; allow tandem parking without an SUP; require attached garages to be set back from the front building wall and be side loaded. Teardowns & New Construction on substandard lots: Require a Special Use Permit (SUP)

Zoning provisions needing clarification: Identify height measurements for all roof types; require front setback to meet the established or average setback.

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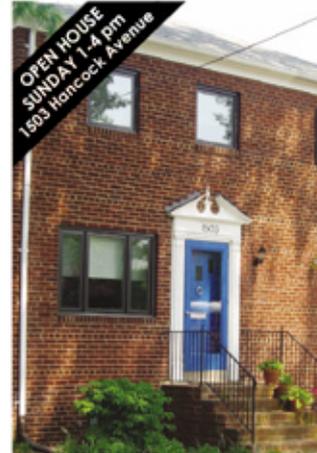
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