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Neighbors Oppose Hunting

Defeated in Richmond, homeowners seek help from county.

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE
THE GAZETTE

Over the last year, a group of homeowners near Dyke Marsh has become increasingly concerned about duck hunting in their neighborhood. Shots ring out at night, with hunters firing in close proximity to residents living along the Potomac River. Some are concerned about hunters violating federally protected land inside Dyke Marsh, while others say Mount Vernon is just too urban to allow duck hunting anymore. Meanwhile duck hunters say they paid good money for their licenses.

"It's disconcerting to hear gunfire going off all the time," said Will Donahoe, a nearby resident who said he would like to see duck hunting eliminated in his neighborhood. "If I heard gunfire like that anywhere else, I'd call 911."

Disgruntled homeowners were hoping to see some action during the recent session of the General Assembly, which concluded last week. Del. David Englin (D-45) introduced legislation that would have established a six-member legislative subcommittee to study waterfowl hunting in urban and suburban areas. But that effort died in the House Rules Committee. State Sen. Toddy Puller (D-36) had a little more success with a bill that would have directed the Crime Commission to study waterfowl hunting in certain urban and suburban areas, which passed the Senate with a unanimous vote in early February. But the House Rules Committee killed the bill on Feb. 28, ending the session with no action on an issue.

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A digital billboard of Annie McCann displays reward information.

Mystery Grows in Teen's Death

Parents offer \$10,000 reward for information.

BY CHUCK HAGEE
THE GAZETTE

When, where and why did Annie die remains a mystery. The "how" has finally been answered. Or has it?

Another haunting question surrounding the case and impacting the investigation is: Was it murder or suicide? If it was suicide it is the first of its kind in the annals of self-inflicted death.

Annie McCann, 16, a junior at West Potomac High School, supposedly ran away from home on Oct. 31, 2008. Her lifeless body was discovered on Nov. 2,

2008, behind a dumpster in the 200 block of South Spring Court in Southeast Baltimore, Md., near a public housing complex. The case remains unsolved.

Monday morning, March 2, during a press conference at the Baltimore Marriott Waterfront Hotel, Dan and Mary Jane McCann, Annie's parents, offered a \$10,000 reward "for information leading to the arrest, indictment, and conviction of any person for the death of our dear Annie."

On Friday, Feb. 27, more than four months after Annie left her home on Vantage Court in the Groveton area of southeastern Fairfax County and less than 72 hours before the scheduled press conference, the Baltimore Medical Examiner's Office finally released the autopsy report. Annie died by orally ingesting "a toxic dose of lidocaine in the form of over-the-counter
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Bahá'i Community Seeks Spotlight on Iran

Freedom for religious leaders cuts across faith lines.

BY CHUCK HAGEE
THE GAZETTE

Sitting in his living room on Arlington Drive in Mount Vernon District, Parham Azadi was a long way from where he spent the first years of his life — in an Iranian prison. Although only a few months old in 1983, he had been imprisoned along with his parents and siblings by the Iranian government. He did not know freedom again until he was five.

His offense? He says the Iranian Revolutionary Government prosecuted and persecuted his family because they followed the Bahá'i religion.

Now the Bahá'i community of the Greater Washington Metropolitan Area, which totals approximately 3,000, of which an estimated 100 live in the Mount Vernon/Alexandria area, is desperately trying to raise local awareness of an impending trial in Iran of seven of its leaders. The out-

come of that trial could result in their execution, according to William Collins, public information spokesperson for the Bahá'i of

Hundreds Reject School Start Plan

Even proponents of later start times say plan is too disruptive.

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE
THE GAZETTE

Fairfax County school bus driver Georgia Walsh takes students to and from West Potomac High School, Sandburg Middle School, Waynewood and Stratford Landing elementary schools five days a week.

She also picks up the same students in the morning that she drops off in the afternoon and has developed a relationship with their families, particularly those with children in elementary school.

"My parents know Mrs. Walsh is there in the morning and Mrs. Walsh is there in the afternoon," she said.

So Walsh was upset when she heard that, next fall, bus drivers may be picking up one group of students and dropping off an entirely different group of students in the afternoon.

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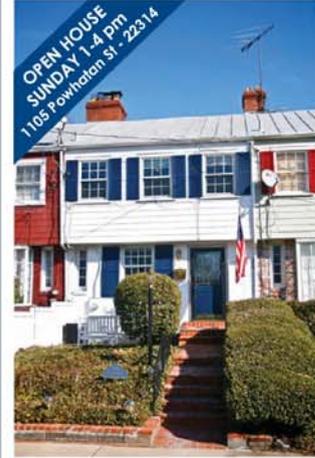
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Homeowners Uneasy with Duck Hunting

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“Northern Virginians concerned about hunting near parks and homes will continue other avenues to make state policy more consistent with Fairfax County’s ordinance preventing discharge of firearms near people,” said Glenda Booth, president of Friends of Dyke Marsh, in a written statement. “We will continue to press the National Park Service to mark the eastern boundaries of the preserve.”

Now that legislative efforts to address the conflict has failed, neighborhood residents are hoping the Fairfax County government might be able to accomplish something. After hearing from several of his constituents on this issue, Supervisor Gerry Hyland (Mount Vernon-D) scheduled a March 18 meeting to help work toward a resolution. The meeting will include state officials to issue hunting permits, wildlife enthusiasts, nature conservationists and the county attorney’s office.

“If Fairfax County had the authority to eliminate duck hunting in this area, I would do it in a

heartbeat,” said Hyland. “It’s just insane to have duck hunting this close to people’s homes.”

Hyland said his strategy for the meeting will be to press officials from the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries to stop issuing permits for residential areas, especially areas near Northdown Road, Southdown Road, the American Horticultural Society and Dyke Marsh. Meanwhile neighborhood residents said they will continue to advocate for a complete ban on duck hunting near their houses, perhaps with better luck in future sessions of the General Assembly.

“It goes on all day on Thanksgiving, all day on Christmas Eve and all day the day after Christmas,” said Elizabeth Ketz-Robinson, who lives on Southdown Road less than a block from one of the hunting blinds. “This whole situation has been very aggravating and distressing because duck hunting is just inappropriate here.”

AFTER LEARNING about the situation last year, Mount Vernon resident Ned Stone got out in his



PHOTO COURTESY OF NED STONE

This photograph, taken in October, shows the close proximity to houses along the river and the duck blind position at the center of the image.

kayak one foggy October morning to get a firsthand glimpse of the situation. Armed with a camera, Stone took several photographs to document the frustrations of the neighborhood. One photo shows a duck blind in the water with houses along the nearby shore. Other photos show hunters moving toward federally protected areas in Dyke Marsh.

“In each case, the hunters appeared to be pushing the limits,” said Stone. “They had taken a position that was much closer to the shore than the boundaries marked by the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries.”

Part of the problem is the overlapping jurisdictions, with Fairfax County unable to enforce its own

ordinances in waters controlled by state regulators. Adding to the confusion is the federally protected land at Dyke Marsh, which is only a few feet from areas where a Maryland hunting license is required. In the midst of all these overlapping jurisdictions are the hunters, who have already paid for the right to hunt in designated areas.

“You look at charts and maps and any signage that’s in the marsh, but that’s all you have to go on,” said Tim Tener, a duck hunter with a Maryland license who has hunted in the areas south of Dyke Marsh. “It sounds to me like the only way to get this unraveled is to get the federal government involved.”

Analyzing Start Times

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proposing an entirely new bell schedule for schools, in part to accommodate later start times for high school students. Studies show that teenagers can benefit from a later class schedule because they predisposed to stay up later at night and wake up later in the morning.

But for bus drivers like Walsh, the new bell schedule would only make it harder to form a relationship with the students she drives and their families, she said.

She also worries about elementary school students — some of which would be pushed to an earlier opening time on the new schedule — having to wait for the school bus in the dark morning. Currently, the only students who ever have to get on bus before dawn are already in high school.

“I am extremely concerned about picking up young students in the dark,” she said.

THE BUS DRIVER is not alone in her opposition to the bell schedule proposal.

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Parents Offer Reward for Information

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Bactine," according to the McCann's press release.

"I find it strange that the Medical Examiner suddenly confirmed this just a few hours after we announced this press conference. We were not consulted or informed before this final ruling," they stated.

The McCanns have also noted that, "Since Nov. 2, we have been painfully, painfully aware of the possibility of suicide. We were then, and we remain today, desperate to know the truth, however hurtful. We are convinced that Annie's death was the result of (1) homicide, (2) manslaughter, or (3) suicide."

But, they "have very grave and specific reservations about a finding, explicit or implied, of simple suicide." That was heightened by the Medical Examiner's determination of ingestion of Bactine.

"We can point out that no one has ever committed suicide with Bactine. It's just inconceivable to us that Annie hid thoughts of suicide behind a brilliantly crafted, happy-go-lucky facade, and then decided on suicide, and then reached for Bactine — for the first time in the painful history of suicides," the McCanns stated.

There is also the fact, as noted from the moment of her disappearance, that Annie, although a bright student, accomplished athlete, and budding artist, had a terrible sense of direction — even within and around Northern Virginia. As her father stated originally, "She'd go to Costco's on Backlick Road and get lost on the way home."

Every investigator who has examined this case agrees that Annie could not have gotten from her home to where she ended up in Baltimore without help, according to the McCanns. "Given that, we believe that there is a high probability that Annie was lured or tricked into traveling across state lines, probably in the company of an adult predator," they said.

Following the press conference, the McCanns unleashed an advertising blitz in an attempt to find out what really happened to their daughter. Through digital billboards around the City of Baltimore, direct mailings in Baltimore and Northern Virginia, and mobile ads in Northern Virginia they hope to trigger a positive response.

Their \$10,000 reward is in conjunction with the help and support of Crime Stoppers of Maryland. Baltimore Police have characterized the case to the McCanns as "red ball" — all available resources are dedicated to solving this case.

BUT THE McCANNs have reservations about the police effort. As a result they have hired two private investigators. In early November they retained Gene O'Leary to assist with the investigation in Virginia.

In late December they engaged Beau Dietl & Associates of New York to assist in both the Maryland and Northern Virginia investigations.

Those investigators have made inroads to the case not accomplished by the Baltimore Police Department, according to the McCanns. One is that a witness recalls a young woman in Annie's company that day.

That witness is now working with a sketch artist to recapture the woman's appearance.

"Since December we have become increasingly concerned with the slowing pace of the investigation [by the police]. Detectives who had worked furiously in November were finding it more and more difficult to follow up on the few actual leads that were slowly emerging," the McCanns said.

Here are some of the investigating facts thus far:

- ❖ A number of juveniles have been placed in the McCann car taken by Annie on her trip to Baltimore. Evidence places them in the car during the late afternoon or evening of Nov. 1, according to the McCanns.

- ❖ These young people described another person "as having parked the car." When they later returned and "checked the car out, they found Annie dead inside. They dumped her body where it was found and went for a joy ride," McCanns reported.

- ❖ Not all of these juveniles have been interviewed or identified by Baltimore Police, according to the McCanns. "The accounts provided to our investigators in February differ significantly from the accounts given to the police," McCanns said.

- ❖ "There has been no serious effort to identify, or to sketch, or to rule out, or to rule in, the existence of the person described by the juveniles as having parked the car with Annie's dead body inside," they said.

"We believe that priests at St. Louis Catholic Church should be questioned more closely. Unusually Annie went to 6:30 morning Mass there on a few occasions in October. We also believe she went to confession

there at least once in October. Parishioners recall seeing Annie at Mass; it's inconceivable that not one priest would recall her. In two visits, homicide detectives got no answers, and got no further than the front door of the rectory," according to the McCanns.

The investigations of the private firms retained by the McCanns continues. And, Annie's parents have developed a two and half page scenario debunking the "simple suicide" conclusion. It lists 18 of their reasons why they say her death is "not a simple suicide." Among those rationales are:

- ❖ A hand noted to-do list written the day before her disappearance;

- ❖ Her pro-life views and anti-abortion public statements;

- ❖ No salutations in her runaway note i.e. Dear Mom or Dear Dad;

- ❖ She took all the money she had saved over the years, \$1,000, with her;

- ❖ Her body had clear signs of trauma to her head and body;

- ❖ On the day before she disappeared she had stayed after school to earn incremental extra credit in her advanced placement psychology class.

"We have not ruled out suicide. Strangely enough — with many unanswered questions, with much basic police work yet to do, and with keenly relevant forensic results still pending and long overdue — the authorities have ruled out homicide and manslaughter," the McCanns said.

But they vehemently maintain, "This is not a case of simple suicide." They want answers and continue to search for them.

Local Activists Take On Iranian Government

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nage for Israel, insulting religious sanctities, and propaganda against the Islamic Republic," according to Collins.

"But the real charge is that they are Bahá'í. The charges would be dropped if they renounced their faith and adopted the Muslim faith. That they will not do," he said. "If something goes wrong in Iran, no matter what — blame it on the Bahá'í."

ON WEDNESDAY, Feb. 25, about 40 followers of the Bahá'í faith gathered at the Bahá'í Center on Eisenhower Avenue in Alexandria to conduct an hour-long prayer service for the imprisoned religious leaders. U.S. Representatives James P. Moran (D-8) and Frank R. Wolf (R-10) have co-sponsored legislation calling for Congress to express its disagreement with the treatment of Iranian Bahá'ís. The U.S. State Department has issued a formal rebuke.

Azadi, Shahram Samimi and his wife, Monika Ahmadpour, gathered at his apartment to tell their



Seated left to right are William Collins, Ala Motlagh, Shahram Samimi, Monika Ahmadpour, and Parham Azadi, members of the Mount Vernon District Baha'i community, who are attempting to raise awareness of circumstances surrounding the arrest and possible trial of seven of their leaders in Iran.

stories of persecution while living in Iran in an effort to raise support and awareness for their seven imprisoned leaders. In each case their only crime was their faith.

Now 27 and married, Azadi is a professional photographer and filmmaker. He had produced several ecology/nature documentaries and three short films before the Iranian government closed

him down.

"I arrived at my studio early one morning and found the police there. They took everything, closed my office and said that I could not do this anymore," he said.

"That's when my wife and I decided to leave. We crossed over into Turkey where we stayed for about a year. Then we were able

to come to the United States," he said. They have been here about a year and a half.

They haven't had any problems since living here except maintaining employment. Azadi is enrolled in ESL classes at Northern Virginia Community College. He has not practiced his photography profession since he arrived.

"I love photography and I want to get back to it. I first got interested in it as a boy at 14 when it was a hobby," he said.

Samimi is presently employed as a warehouse worker in the District of Columbia. His wife, Monika, is a crafter who works from their home in the same apartment complex on Arlington Drive. They have four children — two small girls age four and six and two teenagers, a daughter 17 and son 16. "They are typical American teenagers," Monika said.

"One of the Bahá'í teachings is that wherever Bahá'ís reside they are bound to adhere to the laws and government rules of that country, except for denying their religious beliefs," said Ala

Motlagh, who has lived in the United States for 40 years and served as an interpreter during the interview.

MOST BAHÁ'IS RESIDING in Northern Virginia are Americans by birth such as Collins, a native of upstate New York, who now resides in the Stoneybrooke area of Lee District. He adopted the Bahá'í faith while a student at Middlebury College in Vermont.

Of the 100 Bahá'í in the Mount Vernon community, about 30 came from Iran, according to Collins. "The rest are Americans, Europeans, Central Americans, and others from throughout the world. Our biggest task here is to help the Iranian Bahá'ís and reach out to the non-Bahá'í community to help us in this effort to have these people released from prison," he said.

"We believe that one of the big issues, in addition to trying to make them recant their faith, is that the Bahá'í International Center is located in Haifa, Israel," Collins said.

Reacting to Start Times Proposal

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attended a community meeting about the matter at Whitman Middle School Feb. 26. The Fairfax County School Board is expected to take a vote on shifting school start times at its March 9 meeting.

Many of those attending the meeting were elementary and middle school parents, who said they worried about the impact a bell schedule change would have on the child care arrangements and children's after-school activities. Several also added that they didn't think the rest of the families in the school system should have to change their schedule to accommodate high school students.

"People are really against this. That is a side of this issue that I don't think has really been talked about fully," said Greg Milonovich, a West Springfield resident with children in elementary school.

Some high school groups, particularly those associated with sports, are also concerned about what impact the proposal could have on extra-curricular activities like swimming.

Even those people who have been working for years to promote later high school start times in Fairfax County Public Schools have said they can no longer support a proposal that would radically shift when thousands of children would be picked up by school buses next year.

Sandy Evans, co-founder of the Start Later for Excellence in Education Proposal (SLEEP), has been one of the county's leading advocates for pushing back the high school bell schedule.

But Evans said the current proposal includes too

many drastic shifts for elementary schools. For example, some elementary schools that currently start after 9 a.m. this year would have to begin before 8 a.m. next year.

THE SCHOOL SYSTEM'S chief operating officer Dean Tistadt said some elementary schools will have to go to school on the first school bus shift — before 8 a.m.— and some middle schools will have to start on the latest school bus shift — after 9 a.m. —to get high schools students on the middle shift.

"We are keeping costs down by having schools open from 7:50 a.m. to 9:40 a.m. If you squeeze the opening times more than that, the cost increases dramatically," said Tistadt.

School Board member Brad Center (Lee) believes some of the concerns people have could be mitigated if the county and school system worked together. For example, Fairfax schools could possibly offer "before school" programs for middle school students instead of "after school" programs, should those students be moved to a later bell schedule, he said.

"I believe that some of the issues can be mitigated or resolved. Not all of them but definitely some of them," said Center.

But there were at least a few high school students who showed up to support the proposal.

West Potomac senior Maiya Ilyas said she often has to take a nap when she gets home from school activities and then wakes up later in the evening to do her homework.

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OPINION

Later Start Times Still Possible

Not this proposal, but later start times still worth the effort, without hurting athletics and activities.

Next week, the Fairfax County School Board should direct school staff to resolve the many issues and concerns raised about moving high school start times.

Years ago, moving start times for high schools in Fairfax County was impossible because it would have cost \$20 million. That was about a decade ago.

Now, after five years of intensive study and probing by a group of dedicated parents, it turns out that start times could be moved back from 7:20 to 8:30 a.m. at no cost at all.

This alone makes it hard to have a lot of confidence in the financial forecasts coming from the school system.

The devil is in the details, and the details put forward in the proposal last month are fraught with conflict. While it represents a technically feasible plan, it clearly stops there. It seems to have maximized the size and number of changes that Fairfax families would face next year, and Fairfax families have responded accordingly.

Thousands of people turned out for community forums on the topic, responding with intensity in several directions. Teens and their families worry that later start times will throw a wrench in carefully orchestrated after school activities. Parents of children who attend different schools complain that they would have to accommodate vastly different schedules.

The parents who have advocated for later start times have science on their side. But even the many advocates of affording teens an extra hour of sleep have concluded that the current proposal is not workable for the coming year.

It's clear that this proposal has too many unresolved issues to move forward for next fall as many had hoped.

But this should be the beginning, not the end, of this proposal. An 8:30 a.m. high school start

time won't cost \$20 million to implement, and it should be compatible with high school sports, including swimming, and other extracurricular activities. Both Arlington and Loudoun manage this start time, and their sports teams compete with Fairfax sports teams in some leagues.

EDITORIAL It isn't fair for school staff to dump a half-baked proposal on families without answering the obvious questions.

Fear of change will stymie progress.

It's also essential to try to minimize the changes forced on elementary and middle schools individually. For example, if an elementary school has an early time now, it shouldn't be moved to a late time in transition.

These are logistics that can and should be addressed so that it's possible to address healthy start times without compromising athletics or activities.

All change is hard. Some change is worth the effort.

Let's put in the effort to try to resolve the conflicts, not use unresolved questions to fan the flames.

— MARY KIMM.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Low Income Housing Overdue

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to the front page article in the Feb. 19 issue of the Gazette concerning the vote by the Spring Bank Community Association asking the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors "to immediately cease spending funds on the plans for or development of North Hill." If followed by the

county, this action would be misguided and wrong.

As your article correctly pointed out, the North Hill parcel was bought by the county approximately 25 years ago, funded largely with a grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development expressly for the development of low income housing. As a result, the site should be used for affordable housing, period.

If the circumstances were reversed and the site had been pur-

chased with a federal grant to preserve open space, would the community association and environmental advocates support an attempt to use the parcel for something totally different — such as affordable housing? I don't think so.

The head of the community association says it makes no sense in this troubled economy to give up green space and build affordable homes. But this was the condition on which the parcel was acquired. What makes no sense is that the county received a federal grant for land for affordable housing almost 25 years ago, and has still not built housing on most of the site.

Now that the county is finally moving ahead with a compromise proposal for two-thirds of the parcel to be used for parkland and one-third for affordable housing, Spring Bank would have the county renege on the last remaining portion of the plan that would actually carry out the terms of the HUD grant.

Let's be clear. The county is not proposing to denude a virgin forest. The North Hill site was previously used as a trailer park, and vestiges of that use, including a roadway system, remain. The site is in the heart of the Route One corridor between an apartment complex and a much smaller trailer park that was rebuilt on part of the larger parcel originally acquired by the county. It is adjacent to primary bus lines and

within walking distance of many Rt. 1 businesses, including a grocery store. Contrary to the assertion of the head of Spring Bank, this site is ideal for affordable housing, as it is compatible with nearby land uses and provides ready access to transportation. Asserting that "there are better places to help people than North Hill" is NIMBYism run amok.

Spring Bank's proposal for a county subsidy program for mortgages may be worthy in its own right. However, it does nothing for those who cannot afford to buy a home, even with assistance — whose only hope is to rent to put a roof over their families' heads, while they struggle to maintain jobs that do not pay very well. These are the "truly needy," whom the Spring Bank president "is not opposed to having the county help." Helping the truly needy is why groups such as the Ventures in Community (VIC), a collaboration of social service organizations and local churches, and Virginians Organized for Interfaith Community Engagement (VOICE) support earmarking 30 percent of the affordable housing on North Hill for those who fall at or below 30 percent of the median income level for the county.

Affordable housing advocates certainly are open to considering support for other measures to provide mortgage assistance to working families to help them buy fore-

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Snapshot

Snowdrops appear under the bushes at Woodlawn Plantation: March 1, 3:33 p.m.

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OPINION

Federal Stimulus Helps Budget

BY TODDY PULLER
STATE SENATOR (D-36)

The 2009 General Assembly approved revisions to Virginia's budget, necessitated by the bad economic times, and adjourned on time Saturday evening, Feb. 28. The federal stimulus package helped us for now to avoid even deeper cuts in education, health care, and public

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safety. The budget includes \$1.5 billion from the federal stimulus to offset the \$3.7 billion shortfall. The Senate passed the budget 35 to 5 and the House 90 to 8.

It is anticipated that Virginia's state and local governments will receive about \$4.8 billion in federal stimulus money. Much of that will be directed to specific programs and projects.

Public Education - The 2-year proposed budget provides a total estimate of \$14.3 billion for direct aid to public education for the 2008-2010 biennium. Of that \$365.2 million will come from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009. A similar amount will be provided in FY 2011.

For FY 2009, Fairfax County will receive an estimated \$462,543,311 for direct public education aid, and Prince William County \$381,975, 910. For FY 2010, the estimated amount for Fairfax County is \$474,759,118, and for Prince William County, \$392,033,080.

Higher Education - For higher education,

\$126.7 million of federal funds will offset FY 2010 reductions. This is expected to ease the need to increase tuition and fees on in-state students.

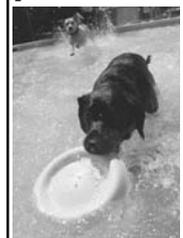
Health care - This was also aided by an infusion of \$962.4 million in federal Medicaid revenues. The restoration of certain savings initiatives that may have jeopardized the receipt of enhanced federal funding (\$24.3 million) was also helpful. Through general fund revenues, federal funding, and savings the following actions will be taken:

- ❖ Increases the number of people allowed to use Medicaid (due to economic downturn);
- ❖ Increases the rates for personal care services;
- ❖ Adds 200 mental retardation waiver slots;
- ❖ Maintains funding for community health centers and free clinics.
- ❖ Restores funding the second year for an inflationary adjustment for nursing homes removed last session and restores a 3 percent reduction for inpatient hospital services.

Public Safety - Aid was added to local police departments, community corrections, and pretrial release programs. A behavioral corrections program was authorized to permit judges to suspend part of the sentence for selected nonviolent, lower risk offenders who complete a 2-year substance abuse treatment program in prison.

One of the most significant changes was Gov. Tim Kaine's ban on smoking in most restaurants and bars except with a room with separate ventilation. A ban on texting while driving was also passed.

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LETTERS

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closed homes — or to help homeowners avoid foreclosure. However, such a program cannot take the place of fulfilling the County's legal and moral obligation to provide affordable housing on the site that was purchased specifically for that purpose in 1981.

Tom Devine
Alexandria

Test for Core Values

To the Editor:

North Hill has been a topic of debate for many years. With the Spring Bank Community Association resolution to keep it as undeveloped park land, (Mount Vernon Gazette, Feb. 19) it has made the news again. North Hill was purchased 27 years ago by Fairfax County with money granted from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The grant was made with the condition that affordable housing would be built on the site.

After this purchase and agreement with the Federal Government, only the first phase of the plan, on a small portion of the land, was completed.

The part that was developed is known as the Woodley Hills Estates and is a respected successful development. The undeveloped part, approximately 35 acres, is an un-

kempt, unattractive piece of land of questionable safety for users. It is often used as a campsite for the homeless in our community.

Members of a south county interfaith organization, known as Ventures In Community (VIC), and on whose steering committee I serve, have long had a concern for the homeless and the lack of affordable housing in our community. Major General Robert Trimble, a member of VIC, representing Heritage Presbyterian Church, began a study in 2003 of the living conditions of the poor in our community. Every director of every nonprofit organization providing food, clothing, shelter, and other care for the poor in the Route 1 Corridor listed the lack of housing for the poor as their number one problem. In today's economic climate the housing situation for the poor among us has only grown worse.

As a result of this study, Gen. Trimble made a formal proposal to the appropriate authorities in February 2006 that the county's Comprehensive plan be rewritten to allow development of low cost housing on all of North Hill. His proposal set off a heated controversy between those who supported his proposal and those who earlier had amended the Comprehensive Plan to designate a portion of the area as "passive (undeveloped) park land." In February of 2007, Supervisor Gerry Hyland proposed that the Fairfax County Redevelopment and Housing Authority (RHA) allocate 11 acres of North Hill for the development of manu-

factured homes and turn the balance of the property, 24 acres, into an active park.

Neither side of the argument was overjoyed with this compromise. As an advocate for the poor in our community I believe every square foot of that property should be used to house those who are most vulnerable in our community. That was HUD's purpose in granting us the funds for purchase. Yet I am enough of a political pragmatist to recognize this compromise is probably the best we will get. Gen. Trimble announced this was a win-win situation and Ventures In Community endorsed the compromise.

David Dale and Martin Tillett, representing Spring Bank Community Association, opposed Supervisor Hyland's solution from the start. Their current resolution to withdraw North Hill funding is evidence that they still oppose the plan.

Two years have passed since Mr. Hyland announced his compromise. I was disappointed when RHA announced its proposal to build about 65 manufactured homes on the site to be sold to families with annual incomes of about \$65,000. While there is no question there is a great need for affordable housing for someone at this income level, the very poor in our community, the ones for whom the churches in VIC have been advocating, have again been forgotten.

Ventures in Community has been joined by another interfaith group, Virginians Organized for Interfaith Community Engage-

ment (VOICE), in support of setting aside 30 percent of the units to be built on North Hill (about 20 units) as rental housing for individuals whose income is at or below about \$30,000.

In this economically vulnerable time for all of us, North Hill will be a test of the core values of our community. Do we really care for the least among us, the very people who serve our community as store clerks, gas station attendants, childcare providers, yard men, and maids? In conversations with the hundreds of people who seek assistance from Rising Hope every week, it is clear to me that the demand for small efficiency apartments for the service workers in our community is extremely high.

In the two years since the North Hill compromise was announced we still do not have an estimate of what the project will cost nor a commitment to use at least a portion of the project as rental units for the very poor. Once we get a development cost, and if rental housing is included for the very people VIC has been advocating for, we can begin the work of getting the churches to advocate for the funding.

Right now there are several homeless camps on the hill. Instead of tents, I'd like to see the residents of North Hill living in affordable housing. But that depends on how we respond as a community.

Rev. Keary C. Kincannon
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Irish To March on King Street

Classic Car Show and Fun Dog Show to precede parade on March 7.

BY CHUCK HAGEE
GAZETTE PACKET

Beginning this weekend Irish flags will again decorate the light standards on King Street from the river to the Metro station. It is the annual announcement of the approaching St. Patrick's Day Parade always held the first Saturday in March.

"This parade draws the biggest crowds into Old Town of any event all year."

— Pat Troy, chair, Ballyshaners

Marking its 28th anniversary, this year's parade with step off from King and West streets at 12:30 p.m. on March 7 led by the Military Honor Guard from the Military District of Washington. It will proceed down King Street to the reviewing stand at King and Royal streets.

James V. Kimsey, founding CEO of America Online and founder of the Kimsey Foundation, established in 1996 to provide grants to the arts and education in the Washington area, has been named the 2009 Grand Marshal.

A native Washingtonian, Kimsey attended the United States Military Academy at West Point and served three combat tours as an airborne ranger, two in Vietnam. In 2005 he

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HISTORY

Preparing for Inauguration

Old Town readies itself for a banquet honoring election of James Madison.

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE
GAZETTE PACKET

Thought inaugural fever had passed? Think again. Old Town Alexandria is readying itself for yet another inauguration. No, it's not for Brian Moran's gubernatorial inauguration or even for a seemingly distant 2013 festivities. It's for a re-enactment of the 1809 inaugural banquet of James Madison. The event will feature speeches from former President Thomas Jefferson, President James Madison, Vice President George Clinton, Speaker of the House Joseph Varnum, Secretary of State Robert Smith and Alexandria Mayor William Herbert. The menu will be based on a newspaper advertisement found in the pages of the Alexandria Gazette.

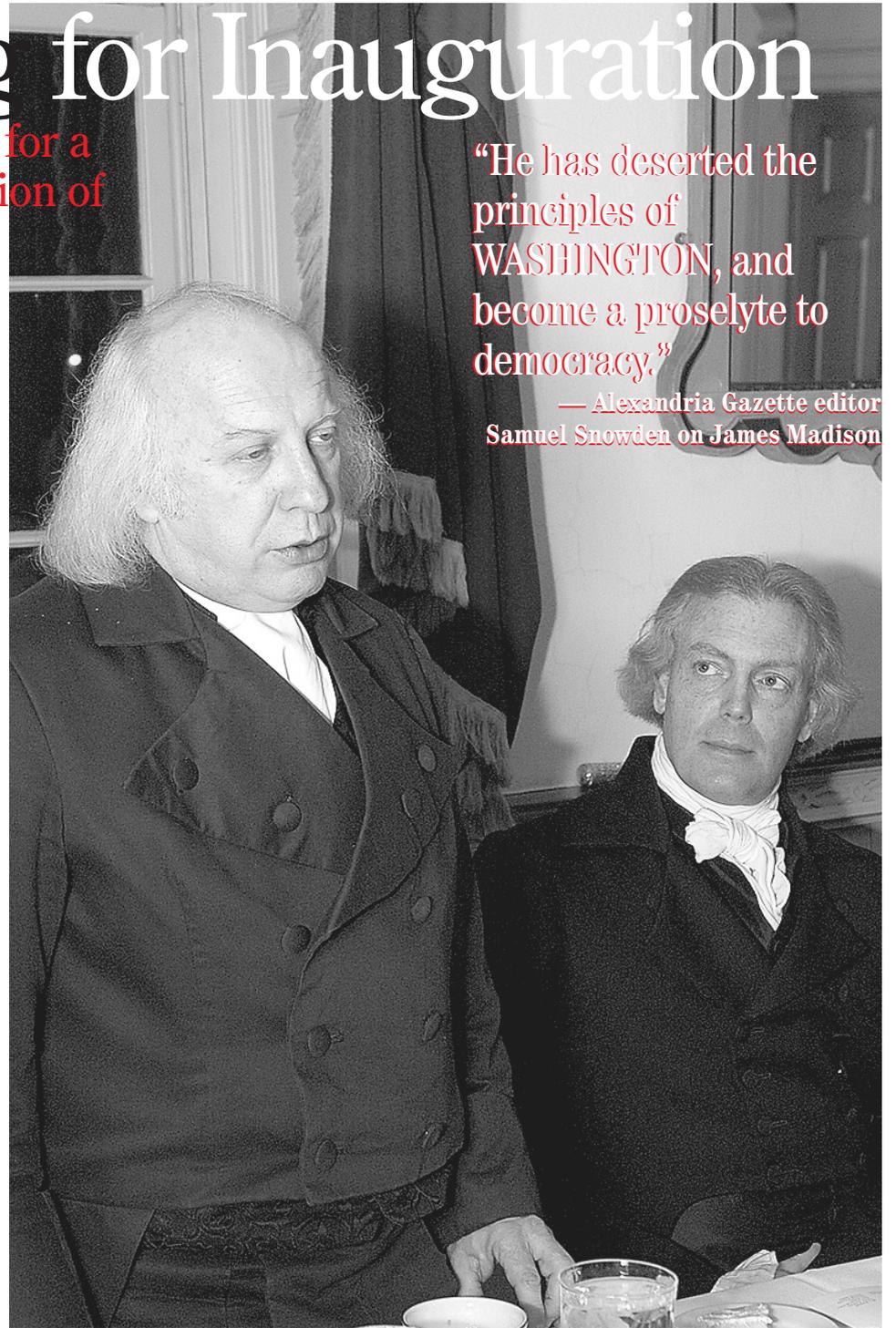
"I wish to purchase eight dozen young Chickens, four roasting Pigs, and 12 young Turkey-hens, of the best quality, for which I will give an extra price if delivered by Monday evening," wrote tavern manager William Caton in a 1809 Gazette advertisement. "I will likewise give EIGHT DOLLARS per bushel for *Green Peas*, delivered as above."

In addition to the foods Caton specifically requested in the advertisement, the event will also feature a host of seasonal vegetables that would have been available in Marcy 1809—lettuce, parsley, spinach, radishes, asparagus, broccoli, cucumbers, cabbage and turnips. The banquet will open with a soup and salad, followed by boeuf à la mode and galantine of chicken then vanilla-bean ice cream — although planners said they considered oyster ice cream, which was apparently popular at the time. The meal will conclude with a fruit-and-nut course, which was traditional feature of fine dining of the era.

"The menu isn't all that different than what people might eat today, but it's a much more formal service — and they drank so much more than we do," said Ric Marino, co-owner of Well Done Catering. "Our staff will be in period dress and we'll change the tablecloth between the each course."

THE RECENTLY CONCLUDED election of 1808 will undoubtedly be a hot topic of the day, with Madison and Clinton edging out Federalist candidates Charles Pickney and Rufus King. Although Pickney and the Federalists won most of the New England votes as the Federalists gained seats on the Congress, the Jeffersonian "Democratic Republicans" won twice as many votes in the Electoral College. But Madison was not all that popular in Alexandria.

"He has deserted the principles of WASHINGTON, and become a proselyte to democracy," wrote Alexandria Gazette editor Samuel Snowden in October 1808. "We consider him as having submitted, without



"He has deserted the principles of WASHINGTON, and become a proselyte to democracy."

— Alexandria Gazette editor Samuel Snowden on James Madison

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Former President Thomas Jefferson (right) will be at the Inaugural banquet of President James Madison (left).

Madison's Inauguration

Historic Gadsby's Tavern will be hosting a re-enactment of James Madison's 1809 inaugural banquet on March 14. The banquet will begin at 8 p.m. and will include period music and a full four-course dinner with wines paired to complement early 19th-century food. Tickets for dinner are \$100 per person, and additional sponsorship levels include a special VIP cocktail reception with Presidents Madison and Jefferson at 7 p.m. Formal attire or 1809 period dress is encouraged, and proceeds from the event benefit the Museum's educational and preservation programs. For more information or to make reservations, call 703-838-4242.

a struggle, to the tyrant of the world!! 'FRANCE WANTS MONEY, and we must give it' — for such a man we ought not to vote."

But Alexandria citizens, being residents of the District of Columbia, had no voice in the presidential election. If they had, it's possible that many city voters would have been disturbed by the fallout of Jefferson's embargo. The measure was so unpopular that the outgoing president repealed it three days before leaving office — perhaps the

reason the Gazette noted that Jefferson was not toasted at the event. Yet even if he was not popular in Alexandria, Madison would have had little choice for an inaugural banquet that had any measure of civility.

"This hotel was one of the finest establishments in the area, and dignitaries would frequently come here for large functions because we had the space," said Gretchen Bulova, director of Gadsby's Tavern Museum. "Washington was a swamp, and there wasn't much there at this time."



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- Concert.** 7 p.m. at Convergence, 1801 N. Quaker Lane. Empowered Women International presents 7Sopranos. \$12/person, reception follows. Visit www.7Sopranos.com for more.
- Miss Alexandria Pageant.** Ages 17-24 are eligible to compete. Visit www.missalexandria.com or e-mail missalexandria09@yahoo.com. The winner goes on to compete in the Miss Virginia pageant.
- Music Performance.** 8 p.m. at Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall & Arts Center, 3001 N. Beauregard St. Hear music by the Alexandria Symphony Orchestra, Heritage Signature Chorale and more. Tickets range between \$20-\$80. Visit www.alexsym.org or 703-548-0885.
- Multiplying Plants.** 9:30 a.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Take starter plants home. \$22/person. To register, 703-642-5173.
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- St. Patrick's Day Parade.** 12:30 p.m. on King St. See the Classic Car Show competition at 10 a.m., dog show at 10:30 a.m. and more. Free. Visit www.ballyshanners.org for more.
- Fun Dog Show.** 10:30 a.m. at Market Square, 301 King St. Proceeds benefit Animal Welfare League of Alexandria. All dogs eligible.

SUNDAY/MARCH 8

- Music Performance.** 3 p.m. at Schlesinger Concert Hall and Arts Center, 3001 N. Beauregard St. The Metropolitan Chorus, Alexandria Symphony Orchestra and Heritage Signature Chorale will perform. Tickets \$30-\$45/adult; \$25-\$40/senior; \$5/youth. Visit www.metchorus.org or 703-933-2500.
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3232
Woodland Ln
\$649,900

Water Access!
Truly special home on 1/2 acre lot just steps from community water access! Bright, open floor plan, 5BR, 3.5BA, updated eat-in kitchen, replacement thermal windows, oversized two car carport and major updated items. Stunning sunroom built in 2006 overlooks landscaped grounds in prime location just off GW Pkwy. Priced \$40,000 below tax assessment! Open 1-4pm. S GW Pkwy, R onto Rte 235N, R Woodland Ln.



4203
Adrienne Dr
\$459,000

Updated Home!
Owner's job transfer creates a "too good to be true" opportunity for this updated home on 3/4 acre lot! High ceilings, thermal windows, updated kitchen & baths, gas fireplace, walk out LL, new a/c unit, 2 car garage, 5 zone sprinkler sys, custom deck with gazebo & hot tub overlook park-like setting. Nothing like it in the area close to this price! Open Sun 1-4pm. S GW Pkwy, past estate, R Old Mt Vernon, L Adrienne.



4003
Belle Rive Terr
\$4,800,000

Riverfront!
Prime Mt Vernon location with the most breathtaking river views you have ever seen!

Over 11,000 sq ft with five bedrooms including main level river view master suite with enormous luxury bath and huge closets. Extensive balconies, deck and roof deck capitalize on the majestic setting high above the Potomac River.



3601
Riverwood Rd
\$749,500

Riverwood Gem!
Updated Colonial near the Potomac River neighboring homes selling for \$3,595,850 and \$5,500,000! Owner spent \$175K in recent upgrades. Spectacular custom kitchen with granite, stainless & light maple cabinets, 4BRs, hardwood floors, updated & reconfigured baths, large screened porch, oversized garage & fenced yard.



8304
Riverton Ln
\$845,000

Stunning!
Victorian home combines farm house exterior with stunning open interior. Three finished levels, 4BR, 3.5BA, hardwood floors and spectacular kitchen with custom wood cabinets, granite counters and center island. Prime location on quiet cul-de-sac within walking distance to highly regarded Stratford Landing and Sandburg schools.



9405
Ferry Lndg Ct
\$795,000

Magnificent Setting!
Stately Colonial on highly desirable quiet cul-de-sac near the river. Traditional exterior is complimented by bright, sunny interior opening to spectacular sun room. Large room sizes, updated baths, elegant trim detail, oversized garage and absolutely pristine condition on beautifully landscaped half acre grounds!



4212
Dandridge Terr
\$575,000

Prestigious Southwood!
Price slashed! A \$700,000 home for just \$575,000! Nothing like it on the market today! Owner paid \$699,900 in 2005 and added \$30,000 in upgrades. Classic Center Hall Colonial in pristine condition has three finished levels including full walk-out lower level. Oversized two car garage, gorgeous lot on cul-de-sac – stunning value!



4300
Neptune Dr
\$475,000

Yacht Haven Opportunity!
Rare 3/4 acre corner lot in prestigious Yacht Haven Estates, one of the Mount Vernon area's premier waterfront communities! Spacious home combined with exceptionally large building area provides limitless potential on this gorgeous level lot with access to Mount Vernon Yacht Club.



8826
Camden Street
\$899,500

Gorgeous Setting!
There's nothing like it on the market today – fabulous new Wakefield Home custom designed for this half acre lot overlooking acres of natural conservation land. Bright and open floor plan, high ceilings, granite countertops and two car garage. Pre-construction sale allows for maximum customization.



Brambly Lane
\$969,900
FREE FINISHED BASEMENT FOR FIRST CONTRACT IN JANUARY – \$50,000 VALUE!
Pre-construction special makes this new luxury home available at a price that is simply incomprehensible! Same model sold a few months ago for over \$1,600,000! High ceilings, open floor plan, 4BR, 3.5BA, energy conserving features, oversize garage & more! (Picture of same model for illustration purposes only.)



4307
Sheridan's Point
\$879,000

Georgian Colonial!
Large Price Reduction! Classic updated Colonial in prime Mt Vernon location. Home has a combination of location, size and features typically only available in \$1,000,000+ homes! Three finished levels, open kitchen/family room, stunning master suite, two bonus rooms on lower level and dramatic sun room overlooking private fenced yard. Just off the GW Pkwy – easy commute to DC!

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Chatham Sq / Old Town Alex - \$1,100,000

3RD PARTY APPROVAL REQUIRED - MAKE YOUR BEST OFFER! This stately residence boasts over 4,000sq ft of opulent living space. Too many appointments to be listed here but well worth seeing. For more information or pictures:

www.brianandjery.com
Brian Hong & Jerry Beamer
703.929.5764



3362 NORTH DICKERSON STREET
Arlington - \$869,000

GENEROUS CLOSING CREDIT! Seller to help purchase this trad. Colonial w/contemporary additions. 3or4BR/4FBA. Hdwd, vaulted ceilings, Palladian window, built-in bkcases, skylights. Garage/shed have electricity. Easy commute to DC. Call for details on credit.

Ruth Guirard 703.609.3343



5904 MOUNT EAGLE DRIVE #1505
Montebello / Alexandria - \$425,000

Mt. Vernon - MOVE IN READY! 2BR/2BA w/ UPDATED KITCHEN (maple, S/S, granite), new carpet, new ceramic tile in baths. METRO shuttle, indoor pool, fitness center and much more. Virtual Tour:

www.susanmovesyou.com
Susan Haughton 703.470.4545



OPEN SUN. 1-4

642 SOUTH COLUMBUS STREET
Alexandria - \$465,000

JUST LISTED! Delightful TH located in Historic OT offers 2 Br/2Ba, sun-drenched enclosed patio garden, garage parking, gleaming hardwood floors, FP, updated Kitchen / Bath & easy living. Short walk to King St. shops, restaurants & METRO. Around the corner from Balducci's, cleaners, 3 lights to Beltway & 15 min to National airport. To preview call Nancy Jo.

Nancy Jo Kemp 703.973.9142



OPEN SUN. 1-4

8311 MOUNT VERNON HIGHWAY
Alexandria - \$1,099,263

WHY SETTLE FOR ORDINARY WHEN YOU CAN HAVE A WAKEFIELD HOME! Enclave of 3 extravagantly appointed homes w/hand finished hdwd flrs, custom molding, butler pantry, gourmet Kit, huge windows, light filled loft & screened porch. Personalize your space w/more options.

Mary Prosser 703.625.4461



OPEN SUN. 1-4

126 HARVARD STREET
Alexandria - \$725,000

STEPS TO KING ST METRO! Beautiful end TH, 3BR/2BA. Updated Kit w/granite, SS leading to screened porch. LR has custom built-ins. Study, wood floors & more! Family room walkout to large landscaped & fenced in backyard. 2 off-street parking spaces.

Michael Lekas 703.927.9895



OPEN SUN. 1-4

5704 SHROPSHIRE COURT
Alexandria - \$475,000

WALK TO SCHOOLS & SHOPS! Move right into this 4BR/2BA, updated home situated on a quiet cul-de-sac in Hayfield Farms. All new roof, windows, doors, & more. Renovated Kit, sophisticated BAs, screened porch, hdwd flrs. Pool mbrship. Min. to METRO/Fl. Belvoir. Telegraph Rd S to L. Broadroad to L. Welch, R on Shropshire to 5104 on L.

Kim Muffler 703.282.7739



7119 COVENTRY ROAD
Alexandria - \$729,000

STUNNING & SPACIOUS. 5BR/3.5Ba Colonial is elegance & comfort. Main lvl includes a 2 story foyer, formal LR/DR, Fam rm. & gourmet Kit w/SS. W-out unfn bsmt. & a 2 car side load gar.

Blumel Adams Group
Dayna Blumel/Kerry Adams
703.587.7841



7021 CHESLEY SEARCH WAY
Alexandria - \$474,900

METRO CONVENIENT! Ready to go for a new owner! Light filled, 4 lvl, 3BR/2.55Ba, eat-in kitchen, deck off LR backs to trees, LL family room w/FP, sliding doors to patio. Remodeled kitchen. New roof, windows, paint, carpet, HWH, HVAC, and appliances. One-car garage. Pool, tennis, tot lots, walking trails, and community shuttle to METRO.

Rose Mary Cousins 703.627.0404



6817 BARON ROAD
McLean - \$2,750,000

UNIQUE MASTERPIECE IN MCLEAN! Mission style -rare modernist architectural home. Almost 7,000sq ft of living space - designer quality features thru-out. 6BR/5.55Ba, 1 FP & 3-car garage.

Shane Canny 703.346.2067



9326 OLD MANSION ROAD
Alexandria - \$4,250,000

THE POTOMAC RIVER! Beautifully renovated historic home w/an additional .34 buildable lot. Updated Kit, media rm. Library, sauna, MstrBR w/ spa BA, openair cabana w/outdoor Kit & FP plus heated swimming pool.

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1302 BELLE VIEW BOULEVARD #C1
Alexandria - \$279,000

SELLER TO PAY 6 months CONDO FEES! 2BR/1BA condo top floor end unit w/porch in excellent condition! Update Kit & BA. Large walk-in closet. Corian, ceramic tile, hardwoods & carpet. Ex storage. Fab location near river, jog/bike trails, METRO, Belle View shopping center.

Martha Deal 703.622.6797



OPEN SUN. 1-4

247 TENNESSEE AVENUE
Alexandria - \$407,500

AWESOME VIEWS! Sited on elevated, landscaped lot, this TH lives like a SFH. Newer windows, skylights, Kit w/SS, tile flrs & garden-style window. Full fin bsmt w/BA, laundry/wkrm, bar. Close -in location, near parks, schools, Del Ray shops & restaurants. Incredible value!

Jim Crowe 703.856.8244



8018 WELLINGTON ROAD
Alexandria - \$599,900

RENOVATION! Cherry cabs w/granite-eat in Kit, gleaming hardwood, wood burning FP, built-in bookcases, w-out LL den, dreamy Master bedroom. Freshly painted thru-out, fenced lot w/patio. Pool w/in walking distance of home.

Suzanne Backus 703.338.3594



RENTALS

- 6476 Cheyenne Drive #103 \$1,750
Windy Hill
Garden, Contemp. Condo - 2Br/2Ba, 1 pkg
- 1250 South Washington St #318 \$1,850
Porto Vecchio
Hi-rise, Condo - 1Br/1Ba, 1 pkg
- 113 North Fairfax Street \$1,950
Old Town Alexandria
1780 Colonial TH - 1Br/1Ba
- 5957 Bent Willow Dr \$2,250
Willow Creek
Colonial style TH - 3Br/3.5Ba, FP, 1 pkg
- 400 Madison Street #1201 \$2,495
Alexandria House
Hi-rise, Contemp. Condo - 2Br/2Ba, 1 pkg

RENTALS

- 6205 Foxcroft Road \$2,950
Belle Haven
Detached, Split Foyer - 5Br/3Ba, 2FP, Gar
- 540 2nd Street #203 \$3,000
Liberty Row
Garden, Federal style - 2Br/2.5Ba, FP, 2 Gar
- 1250 South Washington St #311 \$3,500
Porto Vecchio
Mid-rise, Condo - 4Br/3.5Ba, 2 pkg
- 700 Miller Lane \$4,965
Potomac Greens
End TH, Contemp. - 4Br/4.5Ba, FP, 2 pkg
- 2106 Foresthill Road \$5,000
Belle Haven
Detached, Colonial - 5Br/3.5Ba, 2FP



4009 COOL BROOKE WAY
Alexandria - \$595,000

GARDENERS' DELIGHT! Open home w/ contemporary feel. Gleaming hardwood floors, New carpet UL, skylights. Family room off Kit leads to deck. W-out basement leads to 2nd deck, wooded fenced yd w/pond & 3rd deck.

Ruth Guirard 703.609.3343



2181 JAMIESON AVENUE, UNIT 410
The Carlyle Towers / OT
\$460,000

JUST LISTED! 1,165sq ft of wonderful living space. Foyer, lg Kit w/pass thru to LR. Enclosed balcony off LR & 2nd BR. Separate DR. Hallway to owner BR. Both BR have ensuite baths & lots of closets. W/D. Parking. Storage. EZ commute to DC, NVA & MD. For more information:

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New Listing



4818 South 9th Street | \$749,900

Absolutely A Gem in Arlington!
Absolutely stunning home with 4 BR, 2.5 baths and a fabulous kitchen / family room. Absolutely wonderful master suite! Absolutely nothing to do but move your furniture in! Gorgeous architectural details. Custom window treatments, high ceilings, classic moldings and 2 fireplaces. Wonderful close in location with easy access to Metro, bus, parks and shopping. Priced competitively at \$749,900. For information call: Linda Trinkle Wolf

Linda Trinkle Wolf | 703 518-6165 Arlington

New Listing



4610 30th Road S #1894 | \$418,000

Fabulous 2 bedroom / 2 bath home that shows like a model. New kitchen with granite counters, ceramic tile floor, recessed lighting and stainless steel look out over gleaming hardwoods in the LR and DR. Two spacious BD's, pull down attic stairs with built in storage and a renovated bathroom complete the 2nd level. Updated full bath, step down den with high ceilings and large rec room are on the lower level. A beautiful brick and flagstone patio off of the kitchen are perfect for entertaining.

Cathy D'Antuono | 703 819-3077 Arlington

Waterfront Community



5710 River Drive | \$898,000

Not Just A Home, But A Lifestyle...
This charming colonial sited on a one acre privacy lot, offers timeless architecture in a unique setting surrounded by parkland and the Potomac River. Just 30-40 minutes from Old Town and DC. Easy commuting access to I95 and VRE commuter rail. 4 BD's, 3.5 BA's, main floor master bedroom, exceptional gardens, water view, community boat launch, pier, tennis, b-ball and beachfront park. Tucked away in a resort style setting at the tip of Mason Neck Peninsula surrounded by nature's tranquility, just steps to the Potomac River.

Susan Gray Chambers | 703 203-9900 Hallowing Point

New Price—Open Sunday 1-4



4 West Rosemont Avenue | \$849,000

A classic Rosemont beauty on a great lot just blocks from the King St Metro. Comfortable, flowing floor plan with sunny living room leading to charming porch, large formal dining room, gourmet kitchen, powder room and family room that opens to private patio and yard. This three bedroom, two and a half bath home is an elegant renovation of a timeless classic.

Karen Leonard | 703 328-7041 Alexandria

New Listing



6206 Sandlin Court | \$389,000

Polished and Buffed to Perfection!
Completely renovated with stainless steel kitchen and brand new baths. Gleaming hardwood floors and elegant French doors in first floor family room. Complete lower level in law suite. Four bedrooms, den, two full baths plus a garage. Convenient to Metro and the Beltway. A great value at \$389,000. Please contact Liz Bucuvalas for more information.

Liz Bucuvalas | 703 518-6163 Alexandria S

Drastic Price Reduction



5116 Kenwood Drive | \$1,399,000

Nantucket Estate with wrap porches and cupolas on nearly 1 acre only minutes to Fairfax Hospital and Tysons Corner. Natural distressed hardwood floors, heated stone floors, see thru fireplace, custom roll out windows, copper roof and custom wainscoting/crown, 10 foot ceilings, handcrafted archways, Wolf range, Subzero refrigerator, 3 kitchen sinks, exercise/media rooms, private patios, decks and sitting areas. Stone walkways with mature landscaping.

Phyllis Patterson | 703 518-6158 Annandale

New Listing



9216 Presidential Drive | \$569,000

Welcome home to this charming 5 bedroom/ 3 bath rambler on half-plus acre near historic Mount Vernon. Main level features eat-in kitchen, living room/ dining room with fireplace, a main level master bedroom with bath, and two additional bedrooms with bath. Lower level features family room with fireplace and French doors leading to patio. Two more bedrooms with bath perfect for au pair, guest or teenagers. Located just off GW Parkway, near Potomac River, Old Town and Fort Belvoir.

Cindie Fish | 703 201-4451 Mount Vernon

New Listing—Open Sunday 1-4



6237 Gentle Lane | \$649,000

Wonderful three level colonial near Metro, Old Town and the Beltway. Four bedrooms, two and a half baths with a two car garage. This is the largest model in this sought-after neighborhood of Huntington Forest. Updates include windows, vinyl exterior trim, hardwood floors, paint. Kitchen opens to family room with fireplace. Fenced rear yard overlooks private treed area.

Rita McCauley-Redmond | 703 447-9114 Alexandria S

New Price



1203 Essex Manor Place | \$1,399,900

Remarkable 5 bedrooms, four full and one half bath home on a large private lot with custom wood deck and mature trees. Grand foyer, formal living room and dining room, two story family room that opens to chef's kitchen with breakfast room and sunroom with vaulted ceilings and floor to ceiling windows. Designer colors, hardwood flooring / plush carpets. On a cul de sac in a small enclave of homes, just off the George Washington Parkway.

Phyllis Patterson | 703 518-6158 Alexandria S



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502 Upland Place
\$1,195,000



Must See Inside!

Wonderful home just blocks from the metro. Six bedrooms, 3.5 baths, kitchen plus breakfast room, living room, dining room, family room, gorgeous master suite, four fireplaces and full basement! You won't believe the size of the rooms. Perfect house for relaxing or entertaining. Great, close in location in MacArthur Elementary School district. First floor bedroom and bath. Totally renovated/updated. For information call: Linda Trinkle Wolf 703-836-8259

Linda Trinkle Wolf | 703 518-6165 Alexandria

New Listing—Open Sunday 1-4

PREVIEWS INTERNATIONAL



6 Keiths Lane
\$1,525,000



Stunning bright and spacious 3 bedroom home with enhanced moldings, soaring ceilings and Palladian windows with sweeping views of the Potomac River. Decadent master suite with spa-like bathroom and sep. sitting area on entire 2nd level. The entry level LR and DR are an open floor plan with gleaming hardwoods passing into a gourmet kitchen with granite counters, breakfast bar and sitting area. Lovely LL family room with fireplace and two car garage. 2 BR and a den/loft make up the top floor.

Cathy D'Antuono | 703 819-3077 Old Town

Circa 1862

PREVIEWS INTERNATIONAL



227 South Fairfax Street
\$1,750,000



Sunlight pours into this free standing historic home imposingly sited on the corner of Duke and South Fairfax Streets. This plaqued five bedroom plus three and a half bath Federal Townhome requires restoration, but offers fabulous potential! Many special features including a grand entrance hall with beautiful keystone arch, original pine floors, detailed moldings, high ceilings, large windows, seven fireplaces, front and rear staircases and a lovely brick walled garden. Easy parking with two off street parking places. Reasonably priced at \$1,750,000.

Donnan C Wintermute | 703 518-6156 Old Town

New Listing—Open Saturday 1-4

PREVIEWS INTERNATIONAL



810 Rivergate Place
\$1,149,000



Desired "Carlyle" model in exclusive Rivergate. Very well appointed. This home features a large master bedroom with cathedral ceiling and sitting area and two additional bedrooms each with private bath, all white upgraded kitchen, cozy family room with wood burning fireplace. The lower level recreation room with full bath adjoins large, two car garage. Lovely private patio with koi pond. Excellent location in historic Old Town steps from Potomac River & minutes to National Airport and DC.

Hugo Romero | 703 582-6727 Old Town

New Listing—Open Sunday 1-4

PREVIEWS INTERNATIONAL



500 South Fairfax Street
\$1,199,000



Fabulous brick end townhome filled with light and space and a practical floor plan for everyday living. Four bona fide bedrooms and 3.5 baths, two master bedrooms, newly redone kitchen with stainless appliances and granite counters. Private patio with off-street parking— The list goes on. The attic has the capacity to be expanded into living space - the choice is yours. To see more photos, go to www.VirginiaRealEstate4u.com or call 703.598.7788 for more information or a private showing.

Bonnie Rivkin | 703 598-7788 Old Town, SE

New Listing

PREVIEWS INTERNATIONAL



600 Upland Place
\$1,549,000

Jill Milliken | 703 338-6614 Alexandria
Sherry York | 703 625-3377

Gorgeous home completely renovated and expanded on a double corner level lot in one of the finest neighborhoods in Alexandria. 5 BR/4BA; gourmet kitchen with Wolf double oven, Sub-Zero refrigerator, granite countertops, and island; two fireplaces; hardwoods and plantation shutters throughout; master suite with balcony; two car garage; and huge backyard with charming playhouse and slate patio. Only blocks to King Street Metro, Starbucks, restaurants, and shops.

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CALENDAR

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or 703-501-6061.

Music Benefit. Holly Near will perform a benefit concert for RPJ Housing Corp., at 7 p.m. at Church of the Resurrection. \$25/person; \$20/advance. Visit www.focusmusic.org.

Music Performance. 4 p.m. at The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. Hear pianist Jim Allison perform. Free. 703-505-0700.

A Taste of Britain. 1 p.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Discover British cooking and sample foods. \$25/person. 703-941-7987 to register.

Glorious Ornamental Vines. 1:30 p.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Learn about a variety of vines for all conditions. \$10/person. To register, 703-642-5173.

Bach Vespers. 6 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Alexandria. Features music of Bach, hymns and more. Visit www.wpc-alex.org for more. Free.

Purim Carnival. 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. at Agudas Achim Congregation, 2908 Valley Drive. Enjoy games, prizes and food. Free. 703-998-6460.

MONDAY/MARCH 9

Tavern Toddlers. 10:30 a.m.-noon at Gadsby's Tavern, 134 N. Royal St. Toddlers up to 36 months can enjoy games and more. \$7/group of three, one adult and 2 children; \$3/additional person. Visit www.gadsbystavern.org or 703-838-4242.

Yoga for Gardeners. 9:30 a.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Features the Vinyasa method. \$66/six-class session. To register, 703-642-5173.

Rainbow Readers. 10:30 a.m. at Kingstowne Library, 6500

Landsdowne Centre. Children ages 2-3 years can enjoy colorful stories. Free. Registration required, 703-339-4610.

Books & Ideas. 7:30 p.m. at Sherwood Library, 2501 Sherwood Hall Lane. Adults discuss "The Vanish Act of Esme Lennox." Free. Registration required, 703-765-3645.

Book Discussion. 6:30 p.m. at Grape + Bean, 118 S. Royal St. David Martin will discuss his book "Losing Everything." Free. RSVP to 703-739-7778.

TUESDAY/MARCH 10

Think Green. 10:15 a.m. at John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive. Children ages 2-3 can celebrate St. Patrick's Day with stories. Free. 703-971-0010.

K is for Kite. 10:30 a.m. at Sherwood Library, 2501 Sherwood Hall Lane. Children ages 2-5 can enjoy stories and activities. Free. Registration required, 703-765-3645.

WEDNESDAY/MARCH 11

Meeting. 7:30 p.m. at Huntley Meadows Park, 3701 Lockheed Blvd. Discuss global warming and climate change with Dr. Chris Pyke. Free. 703-768-2525.

Rising Words, Rising Images. 11 a.m. at Sherwood Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive. Children ages 9-12 can discuss "One More Valley, One More Hill" by Linda Lowery. Free. Registration required, 703-765-3645.

Older Adults Book Group. 2 p.m. at Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre. Discuss "Presidential Courage: Brave Leaders and How They Changed America 1789-1989" by Michael Beschloss. Free. 703-339-4610.

Lullaby Stories. 7 p.m. at Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre. Children 1-5 can enjoy stories and activities in pajamas with favorite stuffed animal. Free. Registration required, 703-339-4610.

THURSDAY/MARCH 12

The Tree's Defense Process. 7:30 p.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Learn about tree biology from arborist Richard Murray. Free. Visit www.vnps.org or 703-642-5173.

Music Performance. 7 p.m. at the Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Hear NovaZanz perform. \$10/person. Visit www.nvfaa.org for tickets.

Performance. 8 p.m. at the Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. Zemfira Stage presents "Oleanna." \$15/adult; \$10/student, senior, military. Visit www.zemfirastage.org or 703-318-0619.

Lecture. 7 p.m. at Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre. Learn about the emerald ash borer. Free. 703-324-5304.

Baseball Musical. 7 p.m. at Jefferson Houston School. \$1/person. Watch "The Inside Pitch." 703-706-4400 for limited tickets.

FRIDAY/MARCH 13

Ballroom Dancing. 8:30-11:30 p.m. at Mount Vernon Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Lane. Dance the waltz, rumba, swing and more to live music. \$15/person. Reservations required, www.fridaynightersdancingclub.com.

Lunch Bunch. Noon at John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive. Children up to age 5 can bring lunch

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Thursday - Italian Night

Lasagna, Chicken Alfredo, Calamari

Friday - Fish Night

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OUTDOORS

Parade in Old Town

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was inducted into the Ranger Hall of Fame and in 2008 was awarded the Distinguished Graduate Award for Outstanding Service to the Nation from the Academy at West Point. He is a resident of McLean.

UNDER THE DIRECTION of the Ballyshaners organization, the parade features an array of pipe and high school bands plus Irish organizations, veterans organizations, military units, Knights of Columbus, Civil War re-enactors, various floats, dancing groups, animal units and many others participants. Each year the parade initiates Irish Heritage Month.

Founded in 1980 by a small group of volunteers for the explicit purpose of organizing a St. Patrick's Day parade in Old Town Alexandria, the Ballyshaners have expanded their mission to serve charitable and educational purpose. Their name means "Old Townner" in Gaelic, the Irish language.

"This parade draws the biggest crowds into Old Town of any event all year. And, it's the biggest income day for restaurants along King Street. But, support from them continues to go down except for our long-standing supporters who are mainly local restaurant owners," said Pat Troy, chair, Ballyshaners.

AS USUAL the parade will be preceded by the Classic Car Show with registration at 8:30 a.m. and judging at 10 a.m., in the 100 block of North Pitt Street and the Fun Dog Show at Market Square commencing

at 10:30 a.m. More than 40 cars have pre-registered for this year's show. They include a 1931 Model A Ford, 1931 Fire Chief's pick up truck, 1947 Nash, and several MG's including a classic 1952 MGB. Vern Parker of The Washington Times will again serve as the show's judge.

Daniel O'Flaherty will again serve as the Fun Dog Show judge, joining John Harter as master of ceremonies. This event is again co-sponsored by Barkley Square Gourmet Dog Bakery and Karing by Kristina. They are joined by NOVA Dog Magazine, Dogtopia of Alexandria, Nature's Select, Paws and Claws Photography, Osborne Books and More, The Halstead and The Alexander, and Paws Purrs and Exotic Animal Hospital as sponsors.

The show features competition in such categories as dog with the best tail wag, biggest feet, best Irish costume, and the most resemblance between owner and dog. "It serves as a great fund-raiser for the Animal Welfare League of Alexandria and entrants are invited to march in the parade with their dogs," said Ballyshane member J.J. Kelly.

The weekend kicks off with the Grand Marshal Dinner at the Holiday Inn & Suites, 625 First St., on Friday evening, March 6, at which Kimsey will be officially installed as grand marshal. For more information, visit www.Ballyshane.org.

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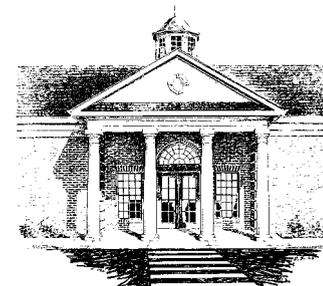
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'Huge Shock' Ends Mount Vernon's Run

Hayfield 3-pointer with 3.2 seconds remaining snaps Majors' 19-game winning streak.

BY MARK GIANNOTTO
THE GAZETTE

Growing up, every high school basketball player dreams of hitting that game-winning shot to send his team to a regional final. Nobody thinks of being the guys on the other end, though.

And yet that was the reality facing the Mount Vernon boy's basketball team after Hayfield junior Brandon Winbush nailed a cold-blooded 3-pointer with just 3.2 seconds remaining in last Saturday's Northern Region semifinal at Robinson to give his Hawks a thrilling 60-57 victory and a spot in this year's state tournament.

The loss snapped a 19-game winning streak for the Majors — a span of 76 days.

"I was praying [Winbush's shot] wouldn't go, but it went in," said dismayed Mount Vernon junior Robert Smith. "It was a huge shock. We haven't lost in a long time, we forgot how it felt."

What made the shot so excruciating wasn't its beauty or its significance. It was



The Mount Vernon bench locks arms and hopes for the best during the final moments of the team's 70-67 loss in the regional semifinals last weekend. "Through each game, we just stuck together," said junior Skylar Jones.

the game that had unfolded before Winbush's jumper took flight that had Mount Vernon grasping for what could have been.

The Majors and Hawks exchanged leads eight times and had seven ties in a contest where no team led by more than six points. And it was the hustle of one Mount Vernon player as his team fought back from a six-point deficit with a little more than two minutes remaining that should define the Majors' season more so than any game winner could.

With Mount Vernon trailing 54-48, Smith (11 points) took control, hitting a lay-up while getting fouled for a three-point play. After Hayfield's T.J. Wilson hit one of two free throws on the ensuing possession, Smith hit another tough lay-up to draw the Majors within two.

Smith then drew a charge, forcing Hayfield's Chad Kennedy to the bench with five fouls, and setting up perhaps the game's second-most memorable sequence.

After junior Skylar Jones (game-high 15 points) and senior Robert Coleman (nine points) nearly turned the ball over on a sloppy pass, Smith dove into the

midst of a group of two other Hayfield players and somehow recovered possession. He had the wherewithal to find Coleman, who then saw wide-open senior Kyle Ricks (11 points, nine rebounds) for a lay-up to tie the game at 55.

It was a combination of sloppiness, hustle, poise, and teamwork — a fitting description of the Majors entire season.

"It was a good game," said Jones. "But it's hard to think about that right now when you lose."

WHEN THE SEASON first began, it looked like the regional semifinals would be the last place to find Mount Vernon. The Majors lost four of their first six games of the season — including a 61-52 loss to Hayfield on Dec. 12 —

as they tried to solve chemistry issues following the departure of last year's star player, Marquel de Lancey, now playing at Old Dominion.

Mount Vernon looked to be an extremely deep and talented group of individuals all looking to fill the void at once, rather than combining to do it collectively.

"Those four losses were a big character check for us," said coach Alfonso Smith. "They humbled us and made us open to being teachable."

From there, Mount Vernon (21-5 overall, 14-0 National District) marched through the rest of the season, winning its own holiday tournament thanks to a confidence-building 76-71 win over Wise (Md.) and followed that up with an unblemished record in Na-

tional District play.

LEADING THE CHARGE the entire season was Jones, who in addition to being named the National District Player of the Year was selected to the all-Northern Region first team last weekend.

The lanky, 6-foot-4 do-everything forward put up close to a double-double in scoring and rebounds every game, averaging more than 18 points per contest. He was aided by a litany of role players — Smith singled out seniors Brian Green

and Ricks for their strong play — who grew to accept their positions after initially chafing at the responsibilities.

"Through each game, we just stayed together," said Jones on why his team was so successful.

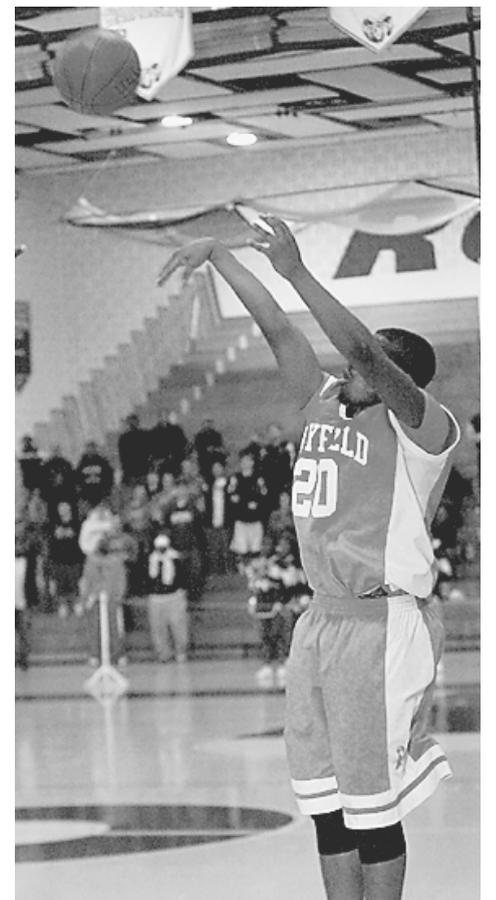
"To really be one game away from the state championship is huge for the program," said Smith. "Our team has been showing a lot of heart, a lot of fortitude throughout the season and that didn't change in one game."

"We haven't lost in a long time, we forgot how it felt."

— Mount Vernon junior Robert Smith



Mount Vernon's Kyle Ricks goes up for a shot over Hayfield's T.J. Wilson in Saturday's Northern Region semifinal. Hayfield won, 70-67.



Hayfield's Brandon Winbush rises up for what would become the game-winning 3-pointer with 3.2 seconds remaining in the Hawks 70-67 victory.

SPORTS

Majors' Season Ends in Heartbreaker

Big first-half lead slips away with star player hurt in Northern Region semifinals.

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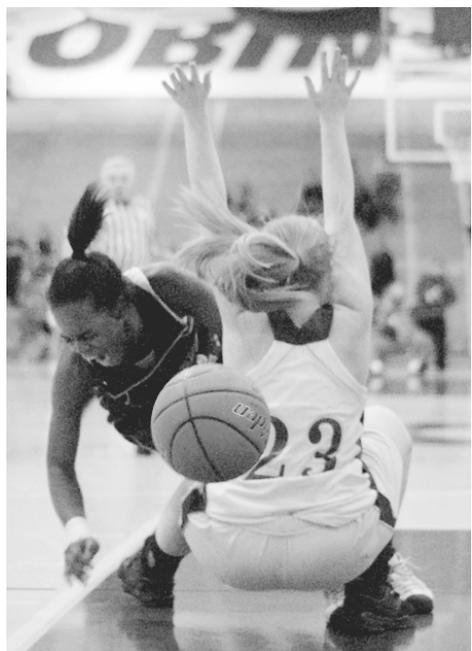
To really judge just how disheartening a loss last Friday night's 47-39 defeat to Oakton was for the Mount Vernon girl's basketball team, one had to look no further than the scene Saturday afternoon when its male counterparts took the floor for their own regional semifinal match-up.

Many on the girl's team sat emotionless directly behind the Mount Vernon bench, the tears gone from the injury-riddled night before, but none were in the mood to stand and join the Majors' boisterous student section. Those associated with the team could only shake their heads in disbelief about what had taken place less than 24 hours earlier as Mount Vernon watched what was a 21-2 first-half lead turn into a season-ending loss.

"I couldn't sleep at all, I laid in bed all night thinking about that game," said one assistant coach of the loss, which cost Mount Vernon a trip to this year's state tournament.

THE ONLY REGRETS should have been within the Oakton camp, after the undefeated Cougars shot 5-of-23 from the field in the opening half Friday night, thanks to some tenacious Mount Vernon defense.

After Oakton freshman Caroline Coyer



Mount Vernon junior Tracy King runs into Oakton's Erin McGartland in the fourth quarter of last Friday's regional semifinal game, drawing a charging foul and injuring her right knee in the process. King (22 points) did not return and Oakton went on a 14-2 run to close the game.



PHOTO BY ROBBIE HAMMER/THE GAZETTE

After his Majors lost 47-39 to Oakton, Mount Vernon coach Terry Henderson was unhappy with what he felt was poor officiating that led to an 18-4 disparity in foul calls against his team in the second half.

"I know it hurts, but I told them to hang on to the taste in their mouths because we'll be back next year."

— Mount Vernon Coach Terry Henderson

(game-high 22 points) hit a jumper to open the game, the Cougars proceeded to miss 14 consecutive shots — including four free throws — and didn't score again until Coyer hit a 3-pointer with 3:40 remaining in the second quarter. By that point, Mount Vernon had built a commanding 19-point lead.

"I thought coming in we could beat them, probably by double digits," said coach Terry Henderson. "Even though (they're undefeated) ... I really thought we could come in and jump out early."

But the Cougars, and more specifically Coyer, kept chipping away and the Majors entered halftime up just 12 points. Coyer had 10 of her team's 14 first-half points.

What will really irk Mount Vernon the rest of this offseason, though, is the second half. After some turnovers got the best of the Majors in the third quarter, Oakton (28-0) entered the final period down just six points.

After a 3-pointer drew the Cougars to within four, 37-33, with more than five minutes remaining, the Majors' star player, all-region first team selection Tracy King (22 points, nine rebounds), put her head down and decided to gut out a win for her team.

She proceeded to drive to the hoop, draw a charging foul after running into Oakton's Erin McGartland, and hurt her right knee in the process. From there, the Cougars went on a 14-2 run to close the game, again thanks to Coyer who promptly hit a 3-pointer and nailed two free throws with King on the sideline the remainder of the contest.

In last Wednesday's regional quarterfinal against West Springfield, Mount Vernon (24-3) also nearly coughed up a double digit second-half lead, but King rescued them late with a key lay-up, steal, and subsequent assist to eke out a 51-45 victory. The whole situation Friday night illuminated a disturbing trend for Henderson, who afterwards was upset with the officiating.

"I don't feel the kids decided the game," said Henderson of the 14 more fouls called against his team during the game. "We knew they would make a run and that's understandable, but the way the fouls were called ... it was horrible."

MOUNT VERNON had high expectations coming into the regional tournament after jumping onto the Northern Region scene with big time wins over regional finalist T.C. Williams and 2008 National District champion Edison in the beginning of the year.

And even though the season ended in bitter disappointment, the team should look no further than its Alexandria neighbors,

T.C. Williams, for how to deal with such a devastating injury.

Last season the Titans' star player, Tierra Ruffin-Pratt, separated her shoulder in the Patriot District Finals and her team lost earlier than expected, in the first round of regionals, as a result.

But Ruffin-Pratt came back for her senior year with a vengeance, something juniors Jalinda Venable (14 points per game), Jasmine McDonald (nine ppg) and King (21 ppg) should take heed of. King will have an MRI in the coming weeks to determine the exact damage done to her knee.

"I know it hurts, but I told them to hang on to the taste in their mouths because we'll be back next year," said Henderson.



Despite her injury in the regional semifinals, Mount Vernon's Tracy King was named to the all-tournament team. Here she tries to slip through the defense of Oakton's Zora Stephenson (34) and Brianna Johnson (24).

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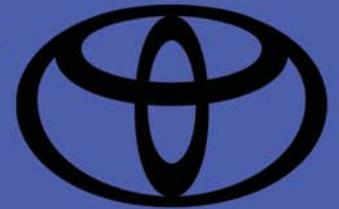


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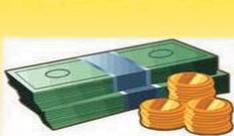
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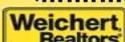
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