CMSAF Rod McKinley greets a friend at the conclusion of the annual wreath-laying ceremony at the Air Force Memorial in Arlington.

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The final wreath laying of flowers to the memory of the men and women of the United States Air Force was presented by CMSAF Rod McKinley, Michael Carton and James Lauducci.

Three Seek GOP Slot For AG

Republican party nominee to be selected at convention.

By Julia O’Donoghue
The Connection

T he Republican Party of Virginia’s 2009 nominating convention, taking place May 29-30 in Richmond, could be the largest such event in years.

Approximately 10,600 people have signed up to participate and several Republicans are expecting more than 5,000 people to attend.

“I hear it is the biggest one since Oliver North [was nominated in 1994]. This is the kind of thing we are seeing. Now, we are all engaged. No, everybody is showing up,” said Del. Dave Albo (R-42), who represents Springfield and South County.

By comparison, just more than 5,000 people signed up last year’s Republican convention and only about 3,100 people attended, despite a close contest between former Gov. Jim Gilmore and Del. Bob Marshall (R-13) for the party’s U.S. Senate nomination.

This year’s large numbers could reflect the efforts of the three candidates trying to become the Republican pick for attorney general. The convention delegates will select the party’s attorney general nominee and all three campaigns have been working hard to sign up supporters to attend the event.

“You now have three hard-working guys going out there and recruiting delegates statewide,” said Steve Hunt, a Republican and former Fairfax County at-large school board member.

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES for attorney general, John Brownlee, Ken Cuccinelli and Dave Foster all have strong Northern Virginia connections and have been actively recruiting delegates in the area.

Brownlee, the former U.S. Attorney for Virginia’s western district, now lives in Roanoke but graduated from Robinson Secondary School. Cuccinelli, a former Virginia Farm Bureau president, now lives in Virginia’s eastern district. Foster, formerly of Robinson Secondary School, now lives in Loudoun County, and has been campaigning in the western part of the state.

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A wreath is laid in memory of all the men and women who have given their lives in the service of the United States of America by CMSAF Rod McKinley, Michael Carton, president of Air Force Sergeants Association, and James Lauducci, vice chairman for Field Operations, Air Force Association.

See more photos at www.connectionnewspapers.com.
Thirty-four year-old Alan Howze worked for former Gov. Mark Warner and touts his statewide perspective. But 31-year-old Miles Grant has been hyper-local in his activism — working with groups like Arlingtonians for a Clean Environment, Arlington Young Democrats and Arlington Community Volunteer Network.

All five candidates hope to win the primary June 9 and succeed incumbent Del. Al Eisenberg (D-47), who announced he was not seeking re-election earlier this year. The person who wins next month’s primary is likely to be the winner of the general election in November since the Democratic Party tends to dominate local elections.

In 2003, Eisenberg beat his Republican opponent with 65 percent of the votes and has run unopposed during his last two election cycles.

According to the Arlington County Board of Elections, Josh Rubener, of the Green Party, has declared his intention to run for the 47th House of Delegates seat. No Republican candidate has yet declared.

Of the five candidates running, Grant, Hope and Tobar have been heavily involved with the local Arlington community. As a leader in Arlingtonians for a Clean Environment, Grant helped protect what he describes as “a few thousand dollars” for cleaning up trash in waterways from being cut out of Virginia’s state budget.

And I am the only candidate who has been active for years now on standing up against the expansion of Interstate 66,” he said.

Hope has brought some of his professional expertise in public health to Arlington through his work on the county’s community services board and several advisory committees.

“I led a coalition of people in the region and state that brought people together to pay the case-workers in our group homes a living wage. … It has improved the lives of thousands of people across the state,” he said.

Hope also founded and is the current president of Buckingham Community Civic Association. Tobar has been executive director of the Shirlington Employment & Education Center, an organization that oversees the hiring and education of local day laborers, since 2004.

“I bring a substantial amount of experience from the federal government and the local non-profit community, having served the public at both levels,” said Tobar, who worked at the U.S. Department of Education for 20 years before retiring.

Tobar ran for another delegate seat, in Virginia’s 39th house district, in 2003 and narrowly lost to current Del. Adam Ebbin (D) in the primary.

The two remaining candidates, Howze and Parkhomenko, are Arlington natives with more experience in politics at the state-wide and national level.

In addition to his work with Warner, Howze worked as a staff member for U.S. Rep. Rick Boucher (D), who represents southwest Virginia. He has visited all 95 counties and 35 cities in the commonwealth.

“I was born and raised in Arlington but have lived in all across Virginia,” said Howze, who now works as a management consultant at IBM.

Shortly after graduating from Washington and Lee High School, Parkhomenko went to work for former U.S. Senator and current Secretary of State Hillary Clinton. The young Democrat caught Clinton’s eye when he started a Web site to “draft Hillary” for the 2004 U.S. presidential election.

After hearing about the site, Clinton called Parkhomenko personally and invited him to join her political team. From 2005 to 2008, he served as top aide to former Clinton campaign manager Patti Solis Doyle.

Recently, former U.S. President Bill Clinton endorsed Parkhomenko and recorded a phone message that was sent out to voters in 47th district on the candidate’s behalf.

The five candidates share similar views on most political issues but would focus on different areas of policy as an elected official. See full text at www.connectionnewspapers.com
Republicans Vie for Attorney General

School in Fairfax County. As a soldier in the U.S. Army, he was also stationed at Fort Meyer in Arlington and lived in Arlington again when he worked as an assistant U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia.

Cuccinelli lives in Centreville and has represented Burke, Springfield and parts of western Fairfax County in the Virginia senate since 2002. He grew up in McLean, and is Northern Virginia’s only remaining Republican state senator following the 2007 state elections.

Foster was born in Arlington and currently resides there; he served eight years on the Arlington County School Board, after first being elected in 1999.

IF ELECTED, all three candidates promised to defend and improve upon Virginia’s “business friendly” environment.

“I have spent my 28 years in the law representing a range of businesses from Fortune 100 companies to start-ups. I have a lot of familiarity with what draws a business to a state and encourages it to expand there,” said Foster.

Should the U.S. Congress pass “card check” legislation, which could strengthen labor unions’ abilities to grow membership, the three Republican candidates said they would be willing to challenge the law in court, possibly on constitutional grounds.

“If you had forced unionization, it would be devastating to jobs here in Virginia. My job as attorney general is to protect our right-to-work laws,” said Brownlee.

All three candidates also promised to help reduce “red tape” and regulations they said are a burden to Virginia businesses and discourage economic growth.

“The attorney general deals with the regulation in Virginia and gives legal advice to all the state agencies. The attorney general can decide whether government continues to extend the arm of power or takes a hand off approach and allow business to grow and expand,” said Cuccinelli.

THE CANDIDATES do differ on what other issues might be a top priority if they were elected attorney general.

Brownlee said he would continue former attorney general Bob McDonnell’s work on gang violence. McDonnell had set a team of prosecutors and one assistant attorney general focus exclusively on gang violence.

“There is an increasing gang problem and the attorney general is going to play an important role in leading our efforts against gang violence,” said Brownlee.

If elected, Cuccinelli said he would want to continue his work on the legal issues surrounding mental health treatment.

The state senator has worked as a court-appointed lawyer for people facing involuntary commitment.

“There is a lot more refinement that is needed in our system. We need to be bringing in the people who need our help without locking up people who have committed no crime,” said Cuccinelli.

He said many of the laws passed following the shootings at Virginia Tech have not improved the government’s ability to help the mentally ill.

Foster said he is in favor of giving the attorney general the power to investigate voter fraud, which is now left to commonwealth attorneys at the local government level.

Foster said the state attorney general is a more appropriate figure to handle voter fraud because the issue can cross county and city lines.

“We need centralized expertise in Virginia on this issue. Certainly, there are reports from time to time that are concerning and even a small amount of voter fraud is too much,” said Foster.

EACH CANDIDATE claims that they are the strongest Republican to take on the Democratic Party’s attorney general candidate Steve Shannon in the fall general election. Shannon is a Vienna resident, former Fairfax County prosecutor and holds the 35th district seat in the Virginia House of Delegates.

Brownlee said his experience as the top federal prosecutor for half of the commonwealth over the last seven years would help him in a race against Shannon.

“The number one issue is experience and I am the only prosecutor running (on the Republican side.) The voters want someone with prosecutor experience. The attorney general reviews evidence and decides whether they want a case to move forward,” said Brownlee.

Cuccinelli said he is the only Republican running who has a voting record on the types of issues that the attorney general would handle.

“I am the only one who has any sort of record on property rights, mental health and public safety. I have cast over 20,000 votes people can look at. That record is critically important to voters as they move forward,” he said.

Foster also touts his ability to get elected in Northern Virginia.

He was not only able to win election in Democratic Arlington, but also won his second school board campaign with 62 percent of vote. By contrast, Cuccinelli won his 2007 re-election in a close call, by fewer than 100 votes, said Foster.

“I got re-elected with nearly two-thirds of the vote in Arlington which shows I can appeal to independents and moderate Democrats (in a general election),” said Foster.

THE CANDIDATES

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Remembering on Memorial Day 2009

On Memorial Day, we recognize those who have died in war. Many local families continue to bear the personal sacrifice of having lost a loved one in Iraq or Afghanistan. Nearly 4,300 U.S. military members have been killed in Iraq and more than 680 more have been killed in Afghanistan since Sept. 11, 2001.


2Lt. Sean P. O’Connor of Burke died Oct. 19, 2008 while stationed at Hunter Army Air Field, Savannah, Ga. O’Connor was an athlete in soccer, basketball and football who attended Fairfax County Public Schools and was a 1999 graduate of Bishop Denis J. O’Connell High School in Arlington. He graduated from West Point and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Military Intelligence branch.


Army Lt. Thomas J. Brown, a George Mason University graduate and Burke resident, died Dec. 23, 2005, while serving in Iraq. His unit came under small arms fire, and Brown, 26, died from his wounds.

Brown, a leader who often insisted on riding in the lead vehicles of convoys, the ones most likely to be targeted in an attack, was three weeks away from completing his tour of duty.

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

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

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

Ami Neiberger-Miller of Sterling lost her brother, U.S. Army Specialist Christopher Neiberger, in August 2007 when he was killed by a roadside bomb while serving in Baghdad, Iraq. He was 22 years old when he died. Since her brother’s death, Neiberger-Miller has devoted herself to the Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (www.taps.org), which provides peer-based emotional support and other services for families of service members and veterans.

U.S. Army Specialist Christopher Neiberger, who was killed in action at Arlington National Cemetery.

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Holistic Moms Network Arlington/Alexandria Chapter meeting. 7-8:45 p.m. Topic: “Nourishing Healthy Kids: From Toddler to Teen.” NRECA Building, Room CC2, 4301 Wilson Blvd. (free garage parking). Arlington.

SATURDAY/MAY 30
Forum on Guantanamo. Three civic groups are hosting a public forum to hear from Washington attorney Brent Mickum, who represents Abu Zubaydah, a Guantanamo detainee. Mickum, an attorney with Spiroff & Hollingsworth in Washington, DC, was the second civilian lawyer to go to Guantanamo following the 2004 Supreme Court decision upholding the right of detainees to challenge their detention. He is a former special assistant U.S. Attorney for the Department of Justice. Northern Virginians for Peace and Justice (NVPJ), the Progressive Democrats of America – Virginia (PDA-Virginia), and Common Cause are sponsoring the forum. This free public forum is scheduled from 2 – 4 p.m. at the Arlington Central Library Auditorium, 1015 N. Quincy St.

Food Collection Drive. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Arlington Area Zonta Club will collect food for the Arlington Food Assistance Center at Cherrydale Safeway, 3713 Lee Highway, Arlington. Visit www.zontaarlingtonarea.org or www.afac.org or contact Christine Lucas, AFAC Executive Director at 703-845-8486 or afacChristine@aol.com.

Career Power Day. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free, 90-minute tutorial sessions for working and job-seeking adults. Strayer University’s Arlington Campus, 2121 15th St., North Arlington (above Courthouse Metro Station). Participants must register in advance by calling 703-283-1767.

Master Gardeners’ Spring Program. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bon Air Park’s Quarry Shade Demonstration Garden. Learn about different types of shade, planting for continuous bloom and foliage. Bon Air Park is at 850 North Lexington at Wilson Blvd.

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Sing Books With Emily! At 11 a.m. Join singer Emily Lusha Vernon as she sings picture books made from favorite songs in a 30-minute program. Ages 2-6. Aladdin’s Lamp Children’s Books & Other Treasures, 2499 N. Harrison St., Suite 10, Arlington.

THURSDAY/ MAY 28
Benefits. 6:45 p.m. at Rock Bottom Restaurant, 4238 Wilson Blvd. $10/ person. Proceeds benefit the Virginia Hospital Center Lifetime Scholarship fund.

FRIDAY/ MAY 29
I Love the ‘80s Movies. Roslyn Outdoor Film Festival shows classic ’80s movies such as “Breakfast Club,” “Goonies” and more at Newseum, 1101 Wilson Blvd. Free. Visit www.arlingtonarts.org.

Ballston Farmers Market Opening Day and Lunchtime Concert. 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Welburn Square (N. 9th & N. Stuart Sts.) across from Ballston Metro station. Some 13 vendors have signed up for the 2009 season.

The Shin. 8 p.m. Roslyn Spectrum Theatre, 1111 N. Kent St., Arlington. Tickets are $30. Call 703-573-SEAT.

MAY 29-31
“Snow White.” Presented by The Children’s Theatre. A division of Encore Stage & Studio. Fridays at 7:30 p.m. Saturdays at 3 and 7:30 p.m. Sunday matinees at 3 p.m. At Thomas Jefferson Community Theatre, 125 S. Old Glebe Road, Arlington. Call 703-548-1154.

SATURDAY/ MAY 30
Public Forum on Torture Issue. 2-4 p.m. Attorney Brent McMick, co-counsel for tortured Guantnamo detainee Abu Zubaydah, discusses laws against torture and treatment of his clients under Bush administration interrogation policy. Arlington Central Library Auditorium, 1015 North Quinn St., Arlington. Free. 703-200-3379 or crowlej244@earthlink.net.

Gardening Open House. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Join Virginia Cooperative Extension’s Master Gardeners for a spring program at the Querry Shade Demonstration Garden in Bonair Park. Master Gardeners will be available to answer all gardening questions. Bon Air Park is located at 850 North Lexinmging at Wilson Blvd., Arlington. Call 703-228-6414.

Jim and Ashley Cash with their band Woven Green will be performing a concert Saturday, May 30 from 7-9:30 p.m. at Bangkok Blues, 826 West Broad Street in Falls Church. $7 cover and reservations are recommended. Call 703-534-0095.

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SUNDAY/ MAY 31

“Incidence,” Jane Franklin Dance. 4:30 p.m. King Street Garden Park - 1806 King Street, Alexandria. Free. 90-minute tutorial sessions for ages 10-18. by the Opera Guild of N. Virginia. Call 703-536-7557

“Zip Through a Tight Space.” 7 p.m. Arlington Arts Center, 125 S. Old Glebe Road, Arlington. Call 703-933-1111 or See Calendar. Page 10
THEATRE

Time-Spanning Play Premiers at Arena


By Brad Hathaway
The Connection

Time and Light

The thing about time-spanning stories is their ability to shine new lights on attitudes in each time period, as amply demonstrated in the new 18th and 21st centuries human drama/ comedy by local playwright Karen Zacarías, which is having its world premiere at Arena Stage in Crystal City.

Zacarías repeatedly shifts between her story of a fictional contemporary astrophysicist and a historical figure, Émile du Châtelet, who was Voltaire’s lover and a ground-breaking mathematician and physicist. While Zacarías touches on many cultural themes, her concentration is on the issues surrounding pregnancy, childbirth and maternal instincts. By viewing these matters through the kaleidoscope of different times she probes the issues with a sympathetic but insightful touch.

The secret of the success of the play — and successful it is in this handsome and well performed premiere — is that she creates characters for both women that bring them to life, not just as representatives of their times, but as people with hopes, fears, favorites and attitudes that ring true. Her Émile, who at age 42 finds herself “with child” in a time when childbirth at that age was extremely dangerous, is no less believable a character for contemporary audiences than is her 21st century astronomer who has survived a cancer but been left incapable of bearing a child.

Each woman copes with her situation in a forthright manner, as you might expect of highly disciplined scientists. They examine the issues, compare options and make plans. For Émile, the solution is to take the months of gestation to complete her life’s work, a study of the mathematical properties of light. If she can complete it before coming to term, her life may be in danger but her work can survive. For contemporary scientist Olivia, the solution is to engage a young woman named Emily to be artificially inseminated to carry a fetus to term.

Zacarías’ delightful sense of whimsy kicks in as she creates a psychic connection between Émile and Emily which shakes things up dramatically … or is that comedically? The second act turns fanciful in unexpected but both entertaining and satisfying ways.

Molly Smith, the artistic director of Arena, directs this production and has given it every opportunity to succeed with a strong cast and an equally strong design team. Lise Bruneau makes 18th Century Émile seem very much a woman of her time while avoiding excesses of mannerism that could keep us from seeing the emotional core of the character. Carla Harting doesn’t have to cope with the three-century gap between her character and the audience’s experience, so the quality of her performance may be less surprising or even noticeable but she does a fine job of letting the audience understand the pain of her inability to bear children.

It is Lindsey Kyler, however, who hits the highest of highs and makes the strongest impression in the dual role of Emily, the surrogate hired in a “rental womb” arrangement, and of Émile’s own daughter, herself at supposedly marriageable age. The cast also includes Stephen Schnetzer who sparkles at times as Voltaire, and David Covington and Michael Russotto add dual roles of the other men in the ladies’ lives.

The Arena production rises to the occasion visually as well. Linda Cho has designed sumptuous formal court-quality costumes for the 18th Century scenes and given the contemporary characters a collection of casual outfits while set designer Marjorie Bradley Kellogg spans the periods with the unifying themes of a telescope and Newton’s famous apple tree.

While this delightful show is playing, Arena has also announced its 2009-10 season and put season subscriptions on sale.

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Gold Party. Hosted by the women of Great Falls United Methodist Church. At 11:15 a.m. Bring your old broken gold jewelry and walk away with money. The church is at 10100 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls. Questions? Contact Carol Wesley Wright 703-582-1640 or carolwright@starpower.net.

Monday/June 1

Stars Tonight for June. 7:30 p.m. At the David M. Brown Planetarium, 1426 N. Quincy St., Arlington. Learn of the constellations of early summer and the celestial events of June with Jonathan Hamos, planetarium director. $3 admission/adults, $2/seniors. Call 703-228-6070 or go to: www.apva.us/planetarium.

Wednesday/June 3

Concert Band and Singing Sergeants. 8 p.m. Air Force Memorial, One Air Force Memorial Drive, Arlington. Free. Call 202-767-5588 or visit www.usafband.af.mil.

Friday/June 5

WalkArlington. 6-7 p.m. Free and open to public. Begins and ends at Gateway Park. Guided tour of Rosslyn. Board Chairman Barbara Favrile will lead. Includes 10 stops through Arlington’s gateway community and returning in time to kick off the second month of Rosslyn’s free Outdoor Film Festival. “I love the ‘80s” with a screening of “Weird Science” in Gateway Park. I Love the ‘80s Movies. Rosslyn Outdoor Film Festival shows classic ‘80s movies such as “Breakfast Club,” “Goonies” and more at Newseum space, 1101 Wilson Blvd. Free. Visit www.arlingtonarts.org for more.

Saturday/June 6

The Shortie Awards: Student Film and News Festival. 3-5 p.m. At the Women in Military Service for America Memorial. Student films, live music, literary and visual arts displays, vendors. Presented by Arlington Parks and Recreation at Thomas Jefferson Community Center, 3001 2nd Street South.

The 2009 Air Force Cycling Classic will take place Saturday and Sunday, May 30 – 31. The two-day event will feature cycling events for all abilities, from young kids to top pros! Sunday’s Air Force Cycling Classic’s Crystal Ride will allow participants of all riding levels to challenge themselves for up to 100 km on a 12.5 km course in and around Crystal City.

The 2009 Air Force Cycling Classic will also feature two days of racing by some of the world’s top pro teams competing in the Clarendon Cup on Saturday and Sunday. Sunday they will race on the same course as the Crystal Ride.

For more information or to discuss sponsorship opportunities: info@arlingtongeports.com or visit our website.


Monday/June 8

“Vietnam: The Reconciliation.” 2 p.m. The Arlington Central Library. 1015 G St., NW, Arlington. Arlington Learning in Retirement is presenting the documentary about the reconciliation process between the U.S. and Vietnam in the postwar period. Call 703-228-2144.

Wednesday/June 10

The Airmen of Note. 8 p.m. Summer Concert Series. Air Force Memorial, One Air Force Memorial Drive, Arlington. Free concert. Go to www.usafband.af.mil.

Thursday/June 11

Baby-Ready Pet Help. 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Animal Welfare League of Arlington, 2650 S. Arlington Mill Drive. Parents can learn how to prepare a home and pet for the arrival of a new baby. Suggested donation of $25. Reservations required, janewman@awlva.org or 703-931-9241 ext. 213.

Mark Austin with Tiffany Thompson. 7 p.m. Acoustic music from smooth jazz to acoustic funk. $10 tickets online at NYJAZZ.ORG and at the door. The Athenaeum, 201 Prince Street, Alexandria. 703-548-0055.

June 11-14


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Saturday/June 13

Neo-Indie Arts Festival. 6:30-10:30 p.m. Student films, live music, literary and visual arts displays, vendors. Presented by Arlington Parks and Recreation at Thomas Jefferson Community Center, 3001 2nd Street South.

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Four of the season’s six shows will be presented at the Crystal City facility they are using while their campus in Southwest Washington is under construction. They are the musical “The Light in the Piazza” with its lovely score which won a Tony Award, the sharp comedy/drama “Stick Fly,” Jane Anderson and Jollett Williams in the drama “The Quality of Life” and a multi-media solo-performer piece on R. Buckminster Fuller, “The History (and Mystery) of the Universe.” The two shows to be presented at the Lincoln Theatre in Washington will be musicals — Tom Jones and Harvey Schmidt’s fable “The Fantasticks” and the Duke Ellington revue “Sophisticated Lady.” Subscriptions for three or more shows are now on sale.

Brad Hathaway reviews theater in Virginia, Washington and Maryland as well as Broadway, and edits Potomac Stages, a web site covering theater in the region (www.PotomacStages.com). He can be reached at Brad@PotomacStages.com.
Bill Brannigan

Bill Brannigan, 73, a former journalist and press officer, who turned to acting in retirement, died on Wednesday, May 20, 2003 of acute idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis at GWU Hospital in Washington, D.C. He resided in Arlington, Va. He attended Tuffs University and then served as a naval officer for five years. Beginning at the New York World-Telegram & Sun, his journalism career included NBC News, UPN Newsfilm and ABC News, where he was a correspondent and bureau chief. He opened news bureaus for ABC in Nairobi and Cairo and served at the network’s New York, Los Angeles and Tel Aviv news bureaus. He was the Murrow Press Fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations in 1960-1970.

He covered civil rights protests including the 1965 Selma, Alabama march and the James Meredith march through Mississippi the next year. He was based in Viet Nam for two years at the height of that conflict and reported on the 1968 Tet Offensive from Da Nang and Hue. He reported from Egypt during conflict and reported on the 1968 Tet Offensive from based in Viet Nam for two years at the height of that conflict.

He was a member of the National Press Club, the Overseas Press Club and the Society of Professional Journalists. For more than 20 years, he was a lector at St. Rita’s Catholic Church in Alexandria. He served as a volunteer with Travelers Aid at Ronald Reagan National Airport. His wife of 33 years, the former Rosalind Prophet, died in 2005. He is survived by two daughters, Beth, of Lake Tahoe, Calif. and Brigid, of San Francisco, Calif.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Rita’s Catholic Church on Friday, June 26 at noon (3815 Russell Road Alexandria, VA 22305). A memorial service will be held at the National Press Club on Saturday, June 27, from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. (529 14th St. NW, 13th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20045). In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Catholic Relief Services (http://crs.org/), checks may be sent to: Catholic Relief Services PO. Box 17090 Baltimore, MD 21203-7090.

After leaving ABC News, he served as news manager at Bank of America headquarters in San Francisco. In 1982, he joined the World Bank’s press office in Washington, where he served for 15 years. Upon retirement, he took up acting, performing in 22 area productions, both dramas and musicals.

MONDAY/JUNE 1
Heart Gallery Opening Ceremony. 6 p.m. Union Jacks British Pub in Robinhood Common. Karen Kaldenbach, 18, will speak on her experience with adoption.
By Mark Giannotto
The Connection

As Warren Gillus leaned against the fence along the final straightaway preparing for the girls’ 4x100-meter relay during last Friday night’s Northern Region Outdoor Track and Field Championships at Lake Braddock, he knew his No. 1 seeded Washington-Lee relay team had the makings of a winner.

The only problem was that with 0.3 seconds dividing the top-sox seeded teams, Gillus also knew five others coaches were thinking the exact same way.

So when junior Sierra Riddle came storming down the back stretch in the final leg of the race, holding off runners from second-place Stone Bridge and third-place Herndon, there was Gillus—who had moved to the bleachers at that point — jumping up and down while letting out a scream heard across the track.

“He’s the happiest man alive right now,” said senior Kimsue Grant, who ran the second leg of the first-place relay.

“Every single day we had to practice baton changes and it was so frustrating. It’s definitely worth it now.”

“Sometimes it got annoying,” said sophomore Jasmine Woodson, the first leg of the relay. “But it all paid off.”

The relay victory was the feather in the cap for the W-L track and field team, whose 11th place finish on the girls’ side made the Generals the strongest Arlington school at the meet. Leading the charge was Grant, whose fourth-place finish in the 100-meter dash and second-place showing in the triple jump made her one of highest point scorers in the area.

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Gillus had Grant and Coleman run the middle two legs of the race since his philosophy is to get out in front early, so that the anchor leg actually has meaning and the ensuing adrenaline from a close race can kick in. That theory worked to perfection Friday night as Grant pulled the Generals near the front and Coleman’s burst put them in the lead for Riddle’s final stretch.

During the season, the relay never lost and the quartet entered the regional meet as the No. 1 seed. The victory, though, was more about hard work and dedication than any influx of talent.

“One day I saw the potential, we spent a lot of time developing them,” said Gillus. “We just worked so hard. They got upset with me because I was working them and they just wanted to relax.”

“All the practices and all the complaining, it really came through,” said Riddle as she walked over to hug her elated coach.

Though W-L had the only gold medal winners from Arlington, there were several other strong performances. Like all season, the distance runners led Yorktown at the regional meet. Junior Lindsey Hunt took sixth place in the 1600-meter run, while Dylan McGowan finished in 12th place in the boys’ version of the same race.

Dominque Hunter was the lone participant for Wakefield, competing in both the 100- and 200-meter dashes. The state championships take place this weekend at Todd Stadium in Newport News, Va.
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Additional terms and conditions of sale may be announced at the time of sale.

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Monday, June 1, 2009 at 11:00 a.m.

the following property being the property contained in said Deed of Trust, described as follows:

Lot 43, Second Addition to Bryn Mawr Subdivision, as the same appears duly dedicated, platted and recorded in Deed Book 543 at page 309, among the Land Records of Fairfax County, Virginia.

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