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Jennifer Difilippo, the spring show choreographer, does a run through of the opening scene with the full cast.

Police: Flimflam Season Arrives

Mount Vernon residents advised to beware of con artists' schemes.

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE
GAZETTE

Con Games

When a group of six or seven workers showed up at an elderly man's house off Collingwood Road last year, they said his roof needed work. The men patiently explained that the joints in his roof were leaking and that unless he fixed them, the water would damage his house. When the man asked for references, the men presented him with a telephone number for a woman who offered glowing praise. But the elderly man was not sure he could afford the \$12,500 bill.

That's OK, the men said. They were willing to cut him a deal.

If he paid in cash, the men were willing to do the work for \$9,500. So the man got in his car and drove to the Sherwood Hall branch of Burke and Herbert Bank. The teller thought the cash withdraw was suspicious, so she approached the branch manager who began asking questions. Why did the man need the cash? What kind of work were they doing?

"He didn't want to answer questions at first, but I was persistent," said Araba Brobbey, a Burke and Herbert vice president and the Sherwood Hall branch manager. "When he explained what had happened, I immediately knew he was being scammed."

The bank contacted the Fairfax County Police Department, which dispatched uniformed officers. Unlike most scams, this one was uncovered while it was still unfolding and some of the perpetrators were taken into custody. But po-

❖ Home-Improvement Scam:

Mount Vernon police officials say this is the most common kind of con game in the area. Each year when the weather turns nice, itinerant crews of roofers, pavers and landscapers drive into neighborhoods looking for victims who are elderly or live alone. Oftentimes, the victim is asked to pay up front and the workers disappear or work quickly then leave.

❖ **Diversions Burglary:** Strangers appear at the door, claiming to be dealing with an emergency or wearing a fake uniform of a utility company. While the victim's attention is diverted, accomplices search the house for valuables.

❖ **Latin Lotto:** This scam begins when a stranger approaches a victim claiming to have won the Virginia Lottery, but says he's afraid to claim the prize because he's an illegal immigrant. A second stranger then approaches, and the story is repeated. Then he offers to sell the ticket to the victim and the second suspect at a bargain price, followed by a trip to the bank to withdraw funds. Once the victim hands over the money the suspect and the accomplice drive away with the money.

❖ **Handkerchief Switch:** This con starts when a victim is approached by a stranger who shows a large amount of money. The stranger explains that he is returning to his home country but cannot take the money with him because of political unrest, so he's interested in donating to a local church or charity. A second person then approaches and the story is repeated. Eventually the victim and the accomplice are offered a portion of the money for helping out — but only after a large sum of "good-faith money" is presented upfront. Once the victim's money is obtained, all the cash is placed in a large handkerchief and given to the victim. Only after they depart does the victim realize that the handkerchief has blank paper.

lice officials say the vast majority of scam artists are long gone by the time the flimflamery is uncovered. And an unknown amount of confidence games are never re-

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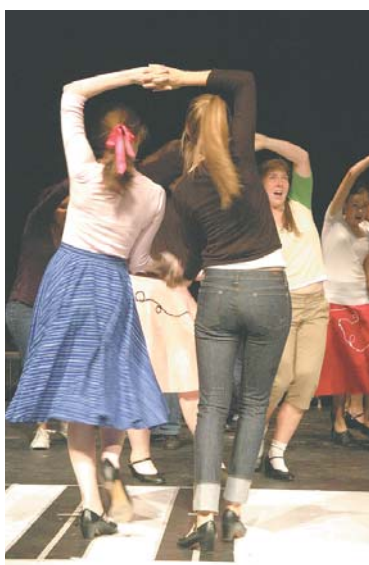
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The West Potomac Choral Department will present "20 Years/20 Shows: The Best of WPHS Choral Spring Shows," a program of songs and dances from the past 20 years of choral productions. Included will be Broadway songs, classic standards by Gershwin, Ellington, and Berlin, and many popular songs from various decades of the 20th century. Starring in the program will be the 100-plus singers in the choral department, including the Bunchagize, Bella Voce, Colonial Singers, Freshman Concert Women, and the Symphonic Women. Spe-

cial guests include faculty favorites Garry Relton and Steve Rice; the "Pyramid Kids" — children from Hollin Meadows, Belleview, Ft. Hunt, Waynewood, Groveton, and Stratford Landing, and singers from Sandburg Intermediate School.

The program will also feature a few solos by WP Choral alumni who are singing professionally.

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These mirror-image Dutch Colonial homes were built in 1954. With approximately 3,000 square feet each, these classic structures reflect quality construction and design.

6015 Grove is an excellent example of classic features and is in very good condition. With a freshly painted exterior it features three bedrooms and two full baths (including an oversized master suite) on the upper level, and living room with wood burning fireplace, dining room, den, kitchen, half bath and sun porch on the main level. There's a full basement which is ready to become comfortable living space - driveway included! The backyard is brilliant with greenery and color!

ALEXANDRIA/BELLE HAVEN \$1,095,000



Houses in the Heart of Belle Haven

Next door at **6017 Grove**, the owners have meticulously renovated this stunning home! Upstairs features four bedrooms and two full baths including a master suite with walk-in closet, balcony and limestone bath. The main level has a chef's kitchen with breakfast room, oversized living room, half bath, year-round sunroom, and dining room. Outside there are three lovely levels of stone terrace, complete with pergola. Downstairs is a family room, guest suite and mudroom. Off-street parking for two/three cars.

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Primary Tough Choice for Dems

Strong candidates lead to indecision?

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE
THE GAZETTE

With the Democratic gubernatorial primary less than two weeks away, Scott Surovell still had not made up his mind about his vote.

Surovell, a Mount Vernon resident, is not a typical voter. He is the chair of the Fairfax County Democratic Committee, one of the largest local Democratic organizations in the commonwealth. Surovell is paying very close attention to the race and the three candidates — state Sen. Creigh Deeds (D-25), former Democratic National Committee chair Terry McAuliffe and former Del. Brian Moran (D-46).

"These candidates are pretty similar on policy. There are subtle differences but they are all strong candidates. I think the question a lot of people are trying to answer is which candidate would be the best to go up against Bob McDonnell," he said. "I am actually undecided. I have really been struggling with this myself."

Many other likely voters are having a tough time choosing a candidate in Democratic Party's gubernatorial primary June 9.

"It was a tough decision. We are have embarrassment of riches this time around and it was a tough choice to make," said Greg Zimmerman, a Democratic activist from Arlington County, who would not reveal who he was supporting publicly.

"I think, for Democrats, I think this primary is really difficult," said Loretta Nawakowski, the Democratic Party's captain for the Greenspring voting precinct, which traditionally has the highest election turn out of any precinct in Virginia. Though the residents are known for being politically active, attendance at a candidates' forum May 14 on the Greenspring campus was particularly high, about 250 people.

Volunteers who have knocking on the doors of reliable Democratic households in Northern Virginia have also found a lot of uncommitted voters.

"I am going door to door and a lot of people are undecided," said Steve Baker, an Arlington resident who supports McAuliffe.

Voters may be having a tough time choosing a candidate because the three men in the race are similar in many respects.

Deeds, a native Virginian who lives in Bath County where he grew up, likes to tell the story of his mother only giving him a few \$20 bills in his pocket when he went off to college.

McAuliffe, a McLean resident, started a driveway paving business at 14 years old in upstate New York so that he could pay for school.

Moran, a former state delegate for the City of Alexandria and Fairfax County, recalls when he father was laid off and his employer towed away the company car they

CREIGH DEEDS



Age: 51
Residence: Bath County, Va.
Hometown/Grew Up In: Bath County, Va.
Family: Wife Pam and four children
Education: Concord College (bachelor's degree - 1980), Wake Forest University (law degree - 1984)
Community Work/Relevant Experience: former Bath County

prosecutor; House of Delegates member (1992-2001), state Senator (2001 - present)
Web site: <http://www.deedsforvirginia.com>

used as a family station wagon.

All three candidates promise to make Virginia the epicenter of green technology and jobs. McAuliffe talks of turning chicken waste into fuel. Deeds wants to build an algae-to-fuel plant in Hampton Roads. Moran calls for wind farms off the coast of Virginia Beach.

Northern Virginia, they all expect, would be a hub of green job research and take part in developing things like the smart electrical grid and clean coal technology. "I think we can build on the technology companies that we already have here," said Moran.

Moran, in particular, appears to be trying to set himself apart by running to the left of his primary opponents on social and environmental issues.

If elected governor, Moran promises to seek repeal the 2006 Marshall-Newman amendment, which defines marriage as between a man and woman and bans marriage-like contracts for same sex couples. "We should not be placing discriminatory language in the Virginia constitution," said Moran at the Greenspring forum.

As a state senator, Deeds voted in favor of the same-sex marriage amendment in 2006. McAuliffe said he does not support gay marriage but is fully supportive of civil unions. But he has said multiple times that the campaign should focus on other issues.

"If we don't fix the economy, we are going to go backwards on several fronts folks," said McAuliffe at an Annandale debate.

Moran has spoken out against drilling for oil or natural gas off the coast of Virginia and opposes the construction a new coal power plant in Surry County between Richmond and Hampton Roads.

On the issue of offshore drilling, McAuliffe backs limited exploration for natural gas but not for oil. Deeds said he would support some exploration for oil and natural gas.

McAuliffe says if elected governor, he would work to push all payday lenders, which provide small, short-term loans at a very high interest rate, out of Virginia.

Critics of payday lenders said many people become trapped in a unending cycle of debt through these types of loans, which

TERRY MCAULIFFE



Age: 52
Residence: McLean, Va.
Hometown/Grew Up In: Syracuse, N.Y.
Family: Wife Dorothy and five children
Education: Catholic University of America (bachelor's degree -1979); Georgetown University (law degree - 1984)
Community Work/Relevant Experience: Democratic National Committee chairman

(2001-2005); confidant of U.S. President Bill Clinton and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton; national finance director of President Jimmy Carter's 1988 re-election campaign
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they can never afford to pay back.

McAuliffe has also been critical of Virginia's largest utility company, Dominion Power, for not being open to renewable energy and energy efficiency proposals. "There should be no more rate increases until they agree to move on wind and solar power," said McAuliffe, who is not accepting donations from Dominion or the company's political action committee.

Dominion Power has been the largest business interest or individual contributor to Virginia's statewide political campaigns over the last 13 years. Since 1996, the utility company has donated \$5.2 million to political candidates, \$2.45 million to Democrats and \$2.65 million to Republicans. Both Moran, who has accepted \$46,800, and Deeds who has accepted \$57,200, from Dominion since 1996,

said McAuliffe's pledge to turn down Dominion money is hollow because the McAuliffe campaign held a fundraiser at the home of Thomas Capps, Dominion's retired president.

When there is consensus on an issue, such as the need for quick job creation, the candidates have different approaches.

Deeds, who represents the Charlottesville area, wants to use Virginia's well-regarded higher education system to spur growth and new employment.

McAuliffe would have a hands-on approach to attracting business to Virginia. As governor, he intends to be the commonwealth's number one salesperson and business recruiter.

"You all know I am good at getting money out of people," said McAuliffe at a meeting with the Northern Virginia Technology Council. The candidate, who once wrestled an alligator for a campaign donation, revolutionized political fundraising for the national Democratic Party.

Moran, who runs his own small law office, said he intends to shore up the economy by supporting and promoting small businesses.

"I have created a business in Virginia, a small business," said Moran.

If elected, Moran's first action as governor would be to convene a bipartisan sum-

BRIAN MORAN



Age: 50
Residence: City of Alexandria
Hometown/Grew Up In: Natick, Mass.
Family: wife Karyn and two children
Education: University of Massachusetts, Amherst (bachelor's degree), Catholic University of America (law degree)
Community Work/Relevant Experience: former Arlington County

prosecutor, House of Delegates member (1996-2008), House of Delegates Democratic caucus chair (2001-2008)
Web site: www.brianmoran.com/

mit of business community members and government leaders to brainstorm about the best ways to address the current economic situation in Virginia. The summit would not just address job creation but also housing needs and other problems that have cropped up in the down economy.

"We need a governor who puts the people first," said Moran at the Greenspring forum.

Deeds and Moran have similar professional backgrounds. Both worked as local prosecutors and are currently lawyers at small law firms. They are also both former members of the House of Delegates. In 2001, Moran replaced Deeds as the House of Delegates Democratic caucus chair when Deeds won his election to the state senate.

A fixture of political talk shows, McAuliffe is one of the most recognizable Democratic Party figures on the national stage, even though he has never held elected office.

McAuliffe is trying to reshape his public persona into that of a Mark Warner-like businessman, who does Democratic Party activism on the side. He has rescued both a failing bank and Florida home building company during his career. Through these and a few other business ventures, McAuliffe said he has created several thousand new jobs.

Deeds and Moran tout their legislative experience in Richmond as an asset.

Deeds said he was able to get legislation passed as member of the minority and the majority party in the House of Delegates and Senate.

"I am going in knowing that system like the back of my hand," said Deeds.

While McAuliffe talks about needing to win more Democratic seats in the House of Delegates, Moran points out that he has actually done that as head of the House of Delegates Democratic caucus.

"I helped build the House Democratic caucus from 33 members to 45 members," said Moran.

McAuliffe, who has lived in McLean for almost 20 years, does not seem phased by his lack of experience at the Virginia statehouse. The Washington insider is running as a Richmond outsider.

"If you are happy with Richmond, I am not your guy," said McAuliffe.

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Owner Fears Dog Has Been Stolen

Reward offered for information on 14-year-old missing pet.

BY ERICA KICAK-VANDERHOEVEN
THE GAZETTE

On May 8, Lorraine DiVacky walked her 14-year-old Terrier mix, Shadow, around her yard between 6 and 8 p.m. and made sure that the gates were closed. At some point, Shadow got back into the yard. DiVacky was unconcerned because the gates were supposed to be closed. She said there were workers in the yard that evening who left at 8 p.m. Shortly thereafter, DiVacky noticed that Shadow was missing.

At first, she believed that Shadow was somewhere in the neighborhood, so she searched the area and put up signs. DiVacky, who lives in the Alexandria part of Fairfax County, continues to search including area shelters, local veterinarians and animal control officers, all to no avail.

It wasn't until DiVacky spoke to her neighbor about Shadow that she began to fear that Shadow had been stolen. The neighbor reported seeing two men standing by a van, at around 8 p.m. on May 8 and twice



Shadow's owner has contacted the police about the dog, missing since May 8.

heard a man's voice say, "Get the dog in the car."

After that, DiVacky hired Dogs Finding Dogs, a group of handlers and dogs that tracks the scent of lost pets. Shadow's scent trail ended at the curb — in the same place that the neighbor claimed to have seen the men with the van. DiVacky then contacted Fairfax County Police Detective A. A. Tabatabaie, who has been looking into the case and said this week, "This is the first time in my years that a dog has been missing and there's been suspicion that it's been stolen."

DiVacky still believes that Shadow was taken. However, Tabatabaie said, "I cannot at this time prove that anyone took Shadow." If it can be proved that Shadow was stolen, the crime would be classified

as grand larceny, a felony, because the dog originally cost \$400. In Virginia, it is classified as grand larceny if stolen property is worth over \$200.

DiVacky has recently added to her signs that there is a \$500 reward for Shadow's return hoping that anyone with any information will come forward and she and Shadow can be reunited.

DiVacky adopted Shadow in 1995 when the dog was a year and a half old. "When I went to get her, she was named 'Fifi.'"

She does not look at all like a 'Fifi.' When I got her home, she followed me all around, so I called her my Shadow. Up until she was taken, she was right beside me all the time. For 14 years, she was my companion." Shadow's age is also a factor. She is an older dog, who is not used to the outdoors, so her health is a concern.

Shadow is a gray and black terrier mix, weighing about 32 pounds. She is approximately 14 years old. Anyone who may have seen Shadow, or have any information, are asked to contact Tabatabaie at 703-360-8400, extension number 2247. Or contact DiVacky directly at 703-780-5681. There is a \$500 reward for Shadow's return.

Seasonal Flimflammetry

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ported because the victims are ashamed of being swindled.

"Many times, these people have contact with each other and so they'll let each other know who has fallen for the scam," said Mount Vernon District Detective Brian Smith, adding that the elderly man had already been victimized several times by other scam artists. "Once these networks find a victim, they'll hit that person two or three more times."

THIS TIME OF YEAR, confidence men are on the prowl. They'll go door-to-door in Mount Vernon offering to fix roofs, pave driveways and patch cracked sidewalks. But police officials warn that many of these people are just looking for a quick buck, and many leave before doing any work or perform minimal tasks. County rules require all door-to-door salesmen to carry a solicitor's license, and that could be a sign of a legitimate operation. And anyone who performs house repairs should also be able to produce a work permit.

"Definitely beware of people who show up out of the blue," said Smith.

Another scam that is closely related involves a stranger luring a victim out of the house, ostensibly to talk about how a tree is threatening to fall or how a roof needs certain kinds of repairs. Meanwhile an accomplice will surreptitiously enter the house while the homeowner is distracted. Several years ago, one such operation snagged about \$200,000 worth of merchandise from a house on Old Mount Vernon Road.

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Ethel Campbell



Ethel T. Campbell, 90, of Vero Beach, died Monday, June 1, 2009.

She was born August 11, 1918, in Greenville, Pa. and moved to Vero Beach one year ago, coming from Alexandria. Mrs. Campbell was a graduate of Butler Business College, Butler, Pa.

She retired in 1982 as administrator with the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture. Mrs. Campbell was a member of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees. She was a member of Fairlington Presbyterian Church, of Fairlington, Va.

She is survived by her daughter, Susan (Tim) McGarry of Vero Beach, and sister, Nellie Chandet of Grove City, Pa. Mrs. Campbell was predeceased by her husband, William F. Campbell, and sister, Ruth E. Cozad. A memorial service will be held 10 a.m., Friday, June 5, 2009, at First Presbyterian Church, Vero Beach. Contributions may be made to First Presbyterian Church, Capital Fund, 520 Royal Palm Blvd., Vero Beach, FL 32960, in memory of Mrs. Campbell.

Arrangements are under the direction of Lowther Cremation Service, Inc., Vero Beach. Condolences may be sent at www.lowthercremationservice.com.

Dorothy S. Duncan

Dorothy S. Duncan, 79, of Staunton, Va., died on May 27, 2009 at Bridgewater Retirement Community, Bridgewater, Va. of Alzheimer's disease.

She was born in Honolulu, Hawaii in November 1929, and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer J. Duncan. She is survived by her sister, Marguerite McFarland Bradford (Alan), Staunton, Va.; nephew Richard McFarland (Peggy), nieces Elizabeth McFarland (Mike Wigen), Trisha McFarland (Martin Kepner). Also survived by her are great nieces Kate and Kelly McFarland and great nephews Josh McFarland, Martin, Duncan and Jake Kepner.

Ms. Duncan, formerly of Alexandria, graduated from Mount Vernon High School, Fairfax County; Brenau College (University), Gainesville, Ga., and received a master's degree in secondary school administration from George Washington University (GWU). She pursued further graduate studies at University of Virginia (UVA), James Madison University and Virginia Tech. She taught at public schools in Warrenton, Arlington, Alexandria and Fairfax County where she spent the remainder of her career. She was a teacher at Fort Hunt High School, curriculum specialist in Health and Drug Education, coordinator of Curriculum Services, principal of Stephen Foster Intermediate School and until her retirement in 1985, was principal of Hayfield Secondary School. During this period she also served as assistant professional lecturer at GWU and adjunct lecturer at UVA. She also provided consultant services in the fields of substance abuse and drug education on a state and national level. When she retired she was awarded the Commander's Award for Public Service by the U.S. Army Engineer Center, Fort Belvoir. Ms. Duncan also served on the Red Cross Board, both in Fairfax County and Staunton. She was a member of both the Alexandria and Staunton Chapters of Delta Kappa Gamma (national education organization). She moved to Baldwin Place, Staunton, Va. in 1990 and served a term as president of the Homeowners Association.

In college, she was a member of the Senior Honor Society and president of the Mu Chapter of Alpha Gamma Delta Sorority.

Her entire career was in the field of education except for two years she served as service club director at Itami Air Base, Osaka, Japan.
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She was owner-director of Camp Win-Wah, near Winchester, a co-ed summer camp.

In 1998, five of her former female students and camp counselors searched and found her, after 30 years, for a reunion to personally thank the woman who had made such a difference in their lives. There were three PhDs, a MD and another master's degree. The five women attributed the inspiration and guidance of Ms. Duncan as a significant factor in their career choices and success. Ms. Duncan frequently heard from former students and young teachers who wanted "to check in and let her know how they were doing." She was a mentor to many. Even as Alzheimer's disease claimed her, she often spoke of how "we must help the kids."

Her nephew and nieces were especially close to their aunt; she was a loving, hands-on aunt. After the loss of their father in early childhood, Aunt Dorothy played a significant, caring role in their lives.

She was known for her wit, fairness and her ability to get to the heart of the matter. Ms. Duncan had a merry heart and will be deeply missed by those who loved her.

Services are to be held at Trinity Episcopal Church, Staunton, Virginia on Saturday, June 13 at 1 p.m. The family will receive friends after the service at the church. In lieu of flowers, it is suggested that contributions be made to The Women's College, Brenau University, 500 Washington St., Gainesville, GA 30501.

Ginger Madden

Ginger Rose Madden (formerly Ginger McKenzie) died peacefully in her sleep on Tuesday, May 26, 2009 in Alexandria. She was the daughter of Curtis and Emily McKenzie of Laurel, Miss. After starting her family in Laurel, she spent most of her adult life in New Orleans before moving 10 years ago to Virginia to be near some of her grandchildren, Ruby, Django and Nola Szilagi.

Ginger loved life and lived it to its fullest. She was a loving mother, a wonderful grandmother, a gifted artist, and a vibrant and independent woman. She pursued a variety of careers, including working for the stock exchange and directing river boat traffic on the Mississippi River. Her years on the river were filled with colorful stories and characters. Ginger loved living in the French Quarter — with its mix of art, music, colorful people, and fabulous thrift shops — this was the place she felt most at home. She also loved to travel and enjoy the company of her many friends. But her favorite place was always with her family. She loved to be surrounded by her children and grandchildren — enjoying good food, telling jokes and swapping stories. She urged her family to "color outside the lines" and she lived out that motto every day of her life. She is missed greatly but lives on through her extensive family and the beauty all around each day.

She leaves behind four children (Michael Purvis, Jon Phillip Purvis, Rosemary Szilagi, and Emily Madden), their spouses (Nancy Collins, Martha Purvis, Freddi Szilagi, and Dax Misner) and eleven beautiful grandchildren (Lily and Ben Purvis; Jade and Valen Purvis; Ruby, Django and Nola Szilagi, and Ginger, Rebecca, Joey & Samantha Haywood).

In keeping with her wishes, her children and grandchildren will hold a private sunset memorial service on the beach at a later date. The family extends a heartfelt thanks to Dr. Robert Gibson, INOVA Mt. Vernon Hospital and Capital Hospice — all who provided excellent care and respected her wishes to be at peace.



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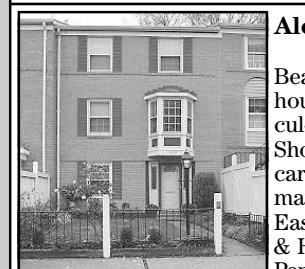
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OPINION

Vote June 9, Much at Stake

All polling places open, all registered voters eligible.

Every polling place in Northern Virginia will be open on June 9 for a Democratic primary, with two state wide races and several important contested primaries locally.

Much is at stake for Democrats in choosing a candidate for Governor.

The contentious, high volume campaign between the three candidates, Terry R. McAuliffe of McLean, Brian Moran of Alexandria and Creigh Deeds of

Charlottesville will be settled by voter turnout on June 9. Primaries like this in Virginia often garner embarrassingly low turnout given how much it matters.

The winner will seek to extend the leadership of Mark Warner (D) and Tim Kaine (D), the current and past governors, facing Bob McDonnell (R) in the general election in November.

Virginia desperately needs strong leadership at the top for the sake of the economy, transportation, healthcare, education, public safety and the needy.

The governor of Virginia is limited to a single four-year term.

EDITORIALS

COMMENTARY

Standing in Solidarity: Reflections of an Imam and a Rabbi

BY IMAM MOHAMMED MAGI AND RABBI ROBERT NOSANCHUK

None of us will soon forget the recent events in Riverdale, N.Y., leading to the arrest of men planning violence and spouting hatred against the members of a synagogue. But it does not and cannot stand alone in our memory as we meet one another as Muslims and Jews.

For nearly 10 years, our synagogue and mosque have engaged in dialogue programs and joint projects to raise awareness on issues pertinent to our faith and to build cooperation in our community. We have gained insight from each faith as both Islam and Judaism promote the dignity and integrity of every human being. Learning from our dialogue as rabbi and imam, we are planning a visit to the Middle East to provide humanitarian aid to Jewish and Muslim communities and to build peace and compassion. And recently we began welcoming one another into our homes to acknowledge the heartfelt prayer and values of the other. During this past year, we held a pulpit exchange as rabbi and imam and members of the mosque at All Dulles Area Muslim Society of Sterling now visit the Northern Virginia Hebrew Congregation in Reston as a location for Friday Muslim congregational prayer.

We hope that these pictures of our communities sharing space with hospitality and shar-

On the Ballot

STATEWIDE

Democratic primary, Governor, choose one:

❖ **Terry R. McAuliffe**, McLean, <http://www.terrymcauliffe.com>

❖ **Brian J. Moran**, Alexandria, <http://www.brianmoran.com>

❖ **R. Creigh Deeds**, Charlottesville, <http://www.deedsforvirginia.com>

❖ **Jon I. Bowerbank**, Withdrawn 5/18

Democratic primary, Lieutenant Governor, choose one:

❖ **Jody M. Wagner**, Virginia Beach, <http://www.jodyforva.com>

❖ **A. Michael Signer**, Arlington, <http://www.mikesigner.com>

❖ **Jon I. Bowerbank**, Withdrawn 5/18

See www.connectionnewspapers.com for more coverage of the race.

Also on the ballot are Democratic primary races for Lieutenant Governor, House of Delegates in Vienna, District 35; Arlington, District 47; and Falls Church, District 38.

Because voters do not register by party in Virginia, all registered voters are eligible to vote in the June 9 primary races.

For information on where to vote and more, see www.sbe.virginia.gov.

Father's Day Photos

Every year at this time, the Gazette puts out the call for photographs of fathers and their children, grandfathers and their children and grand children.

Father's Day is Sunday, June 21, and once again the Gazette will publish a gallery of Father's Day photos.

Send in photos as soon as possible, including names of everyone in the picture, the date the picture was taken, the ages of the children and sentence or two about what is happening and where the photograph was taken. Be sure to include your town name and neighborhood.

We prefer digital photos, but we also accept prints. We will do our best to return hard copies of photos that include a self-addressed-stamped envelope for that purpose, but please do not send us any photos that cannot be replaced.

Send photos to Mount Vernon Gazette, Father's Day Photo Gallery, 1606 King Street, Alexandria, VA 22314. Or e-mail them to gazette@connectionnewspapers.com.

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The Gazette, including our entire group of 17 weekly newspapers, is moving its headquarters this week from Tysons Corner, a location we have enjoyed for well over a decade, to Alexandria.

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— MARY KIMM,

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ing ideas and joint projects with respect and cooperation will be remembered this week, alongside the memories of the recent events plotted on a synagogue in New York.

For these events in New York trouble us both. When people plot violent attacks on synagogues or mosques, this reminds all of us to stand together as one community against all the hatred and religious bigotry that people claim to justify by religion. For hatred has no place in Islam or Judaism. Both of our traditions teach us to love our neighbors and to care about one another as human beings. They teach us to do as several members of the New York Muslim and Jewish communities have done and respond to the recent threats of violence with solidarity.

STILL WE BELIEVE even more efforts of solidarity are needed. We must engage people in both of our faiths to build understanding and collaboration until we see anti-Semitism and Islamophobia wiped out. All of the leaders of our community must bear the responsibility of teaching that an attack on one place of worship should be considered an attack on every place of worship. For in America all of us should enjoy freedom of religious expression and assembly.

In fact, attacks based on errant ideas about our religions are a breach of the very freedom of religion we enjoy in this country. Those who

plot violence should not be seen as representing Islam or Judaism or any faith. Nor is it reasonable to justify threatening another community's rights on the basis of one's religion. Rather the motive of those plotting violence is nothing short of racism and hatred. As imam and rabbi, we see attacking any synagogue or mosque as an attack on all places of worship and as an attack on freedom itself.

Imam Mohammed Magid represents the All Dulles Area Muslim Society in Sterling and Rabbi Robert Nosanchuk represents the Northern Virginia Hebrew Congregation in Reston.

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The Gazette welcomes views on any public issue.

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NEWS

Lord and Lady Fairfax Reign

Supervisors honor 2009 Lord and Lady Fairfax honorees.

BY JUSTIN FANIZZI
THE GAZETTE

In a time of dismal events and dark stories, a light emerged this week with the declarations of the 2009 Lord and Lady Fairfax honorees.

The awards, which recognize Fairfax County citizens who have demonstrated outstanding volunteer service, heroism or other special accomplishments, are given each year to a man and woman from each district, chosen by the respective district's supervisor.

This year's honorees for the Mount Vernon District are Lord Gilbert McCutcheon, Mount Vernon's representative on the Park Authority Board, and Lady Christine Morin, senior staff aide for Supervisor Gerry Hyland (D-Mount Vernon). The pair, along with the other district's honorees, was recognized at the Board of Supervisors' June 1 meeting, where they were brought up in front of the crowd and given a certificate.

McCutcheon, 93, has been Mount Vernon's Park Authority representative for the last 17 years and the Market Master of

Mount Vernon's Farmers Market for 27 years. McCutcheon also received a 2008 Distinguished Volunteer Service Award from the Virginia Recreation and Parks Society, as well as Board of Supervisors' prestigious Lawrence V. Fowler Award.

"He's just a person who gets things done," said Hyland, of McCutcheon. "The energy he has is just amazing. He has distinguished himself with his service in the two capacities."

Morin is responsible for the South County Middle School's advancement in the Capital Improvement Program and its eventual construction through her involvement in the creation of the South County Middle School Solutions Group, a grassroots organization that linked together neighborhoods, advocacy groups and elected officials to ensure that a middle school would be built.

"It's overwhelming," said Morin, of her selection. "It was a huge community effort that involved hundreds of people in South County and we are almost there. It's exciting to see our work come to fruition."

Following the supervisors' meeting later in the day, the honorees were invited back to the Fairfax County Government Center for a reception. At the reception, each of the honorees was introduced and their accomplishments summarized. They then enjoyed a catered meal from Coastal Flats of McLean.

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ONGOING

Historic Gadsby's Tavern Museum By Lantern Light Friday Night Tours every Friday night, June through August, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Tickets are \$6 per person ages 5 and up. Tours last approximately 30 minutes, with the last tour starting at 9:15 p.m. Call 703-838-4242 or visit www.gadsbystavern.org.

On Sundays from noon-5 p.m., visit the Waterfront and see **history-inspired performances** near the Torpedo Factory; do a "meet and greet" of early Alexandria residents and travelers near the Waterfront and lower King Street. Free. Visit www.historicalexandria.org for more.

Mount Vernon will bring back its popular **National Treasure Tour through Oct. 31**. Included in this approximately hour-long walking tour is the Mansion's basement and cornerstone, the setting for a pivotal scene in the movie. This daily tour is limited to 25 visitors per time slot, takes place at 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m., and 3 p.m., and costs \$5 per tour in addition to Estate admission: \$15 adults; \$14 seniors; \$7 children (6-11); free for children 5 & under. Advance tickets are available online at MountVernon.org.

Join City archaeologists and trained volunteers for a program for children of all ages at Alexandria Archaeology **Family Dig Days**. Monthly Family Dig Days will be held from 1:30 to 3 p.m. on the grounds of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial, 101 Callahan Drive, in Alexandria. The 2009 dates are: Saturday, July 18; Saturday, Aug. 15; Saturday, Sept. 12; Saturday, Oct. 17. \$5/person. Registration required, 703-838-4399 or visit www.alexandriaarchaeology.org.

JUNE 4-6

"20 Years/20 Shows", 7:30 p.m. The West Potomac Choral Department will present "20 Years/20 Shows: The Best of WPHS Choral Spring Shows!", a program of songs and dances from the past 20 years of stunning choral productions! Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Go to www.westpotomachoirs.org.

FRIDAY/JUNE 5

Frank E. Mann Field Dedication Ceremony, 6:30 p.m. Mayor William D. Euille and members of the City Council will host a dedication ceremony for the Frank E. Mann Field at Four Mile Run Park, 3700 Commonwealth Ave. Following the dedication ceremony, all City of Alexandria Baseball and Softball Players who are wearing their league uniforms will receive free admission to the season opener for the Alexandria Aces baseball team. Call 703-838-5095, ext. 273 or e-mail jack.browand@alexandriava.gov.

SATURDAY/JUNE 6

Amazing Del Ray-ce! 2:30-5 p.m. A combo scavenger hunt, Amazing Race and Jeopardy dash through the Del Ray community with teams competing for prizes and fun. Dessert reception from 4-5 p.m. Starts at Del Ray Artisans Gallery, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave., Alexandria. Cost is \$10/adult, \$5/under 17. Go to www.TheDelRayArtisans.org or www.leefendallhouse.org. Call 703-838-4827.

"The Fine Art of Jazz," an exhibition highlighting the names and faces synonymous with the Kansas City tradition of American jazz, opens Thursday June 18 at the Alexandria Black History Museum at 902 Wythe Street. The exhibition will be open through Saturday, Aug. 8. The Alexandria Black History Museum will host a free opening reception on June 18 from 6-8 p.m. The reception is open to the public, but reservations are requested. Those wishing to attend should call 703-838-4356. The Alexandria Black History Museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and suggested admission is \$2. Go to www.alexblackhistory.org.

Armenian Festival. Noon to 5 p.m. The Armenian Festival Committee and the Knights of Vartan, in partnership with the City of Alexandria, will host its 17th Annual Armenian Festival. At Market Square, 301 King St. Event highlights include the sights, sounds, food and culture of Armenia. Free. Call 703-883-4686, or visit www.ArmenianFestivals.com.

20th Anniversary, 7:30 p.m. The Washington Balalaika Society has been celebrating its 20th Anniversary this entire season, winding up with a concert extravaganza. Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall, NVCC, Alexandria Campus, 3001 N. Beauregard St., Alexandria. Tickets \$35-\$20. Go to www.balalaika.org. Call 703-549-2010.

Grand Opening event, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Bikes the Sites with Bike and Roll. New location at One Wales Alley in Old Town Alexandria. Enjoy free bike rentals up to two hours, blend a smoothie by pedal power, and more. Visit www.bikethestes.com or call 703-548-7655.

Civil War Sesquicentennial Community Meeting, 9 a.m. to noon. Planning meeting at George Washington Masonic National Memorial, 101 Callahan Drive, Alexandria. Purpose is to gather public input and refine ideas for Alexandria's commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the Civil War.

"Fly Me to the Moon: An Astronomical Adventure" presented by the Alexandria Choral Society. 8 p.m. Tickets are \$20/adult, \$10/seniors and students. Children under 12 free. At T.C. Williams High School, 3330 King Street, Alexandria. Tickets may be purchased at the door or online at www.AlexChoralSociety.org, for questions, please call 703-548-4734 or email info@AlexChoralSociety.org.

Designer Alberto Parada, 10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Mystique Jewelers will showcase designer Alberto Parada's jewelry creations. At 211 Strand Waterfront, Alexandria. Call 703-836-1401 or visit www.mystiquejewelers.com.

JUNE 6-7

Food & Wine Festival. National Harbor. Saturday, June 6, noon to 8 p.m.; Sunday, June 7, noon to 6 p.m. 100 exhibitors, restaurants, food crafters, wineries and a Belgian brewery. Admission is \$65/adults 21 or older, \$30 for ages 12-20, and \$15 for ages 6-11. For tickets, go to www.foodandwinenh.com. Across the Woodrow Wilson Bridge from Alexandria.

SUNDAY/JUNE 7

Make Friends With Slithering Snakes. Noon to 1:30 p.m. A naturalist will lead a discussion and walk in the park. At Huntley Meadows Park, 3701 Lockheed Boulevard, Alexandria.

Washington Metropolitan Philharmonic, 3 p.m. Free. At Bishop Ireton High School, 201 Cambridge Road, Alexandria. Go to www.wmpamusic.org, e-mail: wmpa@earthlink.net. Call 703-799-8229.

Rug Auction, 3-6 p.m. Agudas Achim Congregation will host a rug auction by J&J Oriental Rug Gallery at the Carlyle Club, 411 John Carlyle Street, Old Town Alexandria. Free admission, raffles and refreshments by Dahan. Visit www.aacrugauction.com.

Family Tour Days, 1-5 p.m. at Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 N. Royal St. Enjoy tours by junior Docents. Visit www.gadsbystavern.org or 703-838-4242 for admission prices.

Trees for the Future Benefit, 3 p.m. Concert with the Washington Metropolitan

Fifteen Ceramic Guild artists present their hand-made critter-inspired designs for table and display in a creative array for the "All Creatures Great and Small"-themed juried show and sale at the Torpedo Factory's Scope Gallery Cracked glaze raku polar bears roam the shelves and ravens perch on stone-ware stems. This June show will be juried by Mary C. Giammatteo, Langley Park Community Center pottery director and Takoma Park, Md. resident. Giammatteo, who has been working with clay for over 30 years, specializes in functional stoneware and porcelain tableware showing an her own array of over 40 matte and gloss high-fire oxidation glazes. The Scope Gallery show runs June 1 to July 28 - Monday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., with Thursdays open until 9 p.m. The gallery is Studio 19, 101 North Union Street Alexandria. Call 703-548-6288 or visit www.torpedofactory.org/galleries/scope.

Philharmonic. At Bishop Ireton High School, 201 Cambridge Road, Alexandria.

Children's Arts Festival, 2 p.m. at Schlesinger Concert Hall, 3001 N. Beauregard St. Hear music and enjoy activities. \$5/person. Visit www.alexsym.org or 703-548-0885.

Architecture in the Afternoon Tours, 2 p.m. Discover the architecture of George Mason's home. This 90-minute tour explores the mansion's exterior and interior. Hall Plantation, 10709 Gunston Rd., Mason Neck. 703-550-9220 or <http://www.gunstonhall.org>.

1759 Conversations: Establishing Gunston Hall, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Learn about the early days of the historic plantation and talk with a member of George Mason's family about his new house and how it was built. Gunston Hall Plantation, 10709 Gunston Rd., Mason Neck. 703-550-9220 or <http://www.gunstonhall.org>. Included in site admission: \$9, \$8 seniors, \$5 ages 6 to 18, younger free.

Trinity Benefit Concert, 3 p.m. Peace Ringers perform from St. Matthews United Methodist Church. Trinity United Methodist Church, 2911 Cameron Mills Road, Alexandria. 703-549-5500, ext. 103. Go to www.trinityalexandria.org.

Children's Arts Festival: "Adventures in Music." With the Alexandria Symphony Orchestra. 2 p.m. activities, 3 p.m. concert. At Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall. \$5. Call 703-548-0885.

MONDAY/JUNE 8

Jaleo's 7th annual Paella Festival, 6 p.m. Special guest chef Quim Marques. At 2250-A Crystal Drive, Arlington.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10

Dr. Keith Sterling, a board-certified interventional radiologist, will be discussing treatments for varicose veins at Inova Alexandria Hospital. 7 p.m. in the auditorium. Call 703-750-8800.

THURSDAY/JUNE 11

Second Thursday Art Night: Dancing in the Streets, 6-9 p.m. Browse open studios and galleries. Live music and breakdancing performances. At the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St., Alexandria.

Target Gallery Reception, 6 to 8 p.m. Target Gallery hosts the reception for The Mysterious Other featuring artwork by CMDupre, the Friends of the Torpedo Factory Artist of the Year. Visitors are invited to hear a gallery talk by juror Shauna Lee Lange at 7 p.m.

The Art League Gallery Reception, 6:30 to 8 p.m. The Art League Gallery hosts the reception for the All-Media Membership Show and Nancy Pane Fortwengler's solo show, Fabrications.

FRIDAY/JUNE 12

Re-String Your Bling! 6:30-9 p.m. At the Del Ray Artisans Gallery in SEE CALENDAR, PAGE 10

Learn About Area Hiking Trails

National Trails Day is June 6, at Mason Neck.

BY STEVE HIBBARD
THE GAZETTE

Lace up those hiking boots and come on down. The American Hiking Society is celebrating its 17th annual National Trails Day at the Elizabeth Hartwell Mason Neck National Wildlife Refuge in Lorton, on Saturday, June 6.

The largest nationwide trail celebration in America, the event helps to promote healthy lifestyles, connect the public with trails in their communities and build partnerships to protect trails.

“What’s great about this particular event is there’s a whole array of activities, so everybody can find something to participate in,” said Margie Cohen, marketing director for the American Hiking Society.

The event will offer a variety of outdoor recreation experiences on Mason Neck including family hikes, paddle excursions, trail construction



Activities will take place at Mason Neck National Wildlife Refuge in Lorton.

and revegetation projects, birding and interpretive hikes, and a handicapped-accessible hike.

“It’s a great spot to come out to be part of the kick off celebration for all the events around the country,” said Heather Sable, trails program manager with the American

Hiking Society. There’s accessible trails for the handicapped, barbecue pits, and tenting areas for learning about trails.

For those who want to give back to the parks, there are several trail maintenance projects going on throughout the day — from invasive species removal to clearing of pathways. The activities at Mason Neck are part of some 1,200 events taking place across the U.S.

“It takes a lot of community volunteers to take care of our trails,” said Cohen. “It’s a great myth out there that hiking trails somehow happen, and they somehow take care of themselves, and that’s not the case.”

Hosted with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service/National Wildlife Refuge System, Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service, Virginia State Parks and Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority, the celebration kicks off at Mason Neck State Park, 7301 High Point Road, Lorton, at 9 a.m. Go to www.AmericanHiking.org or call 301-565-6704.



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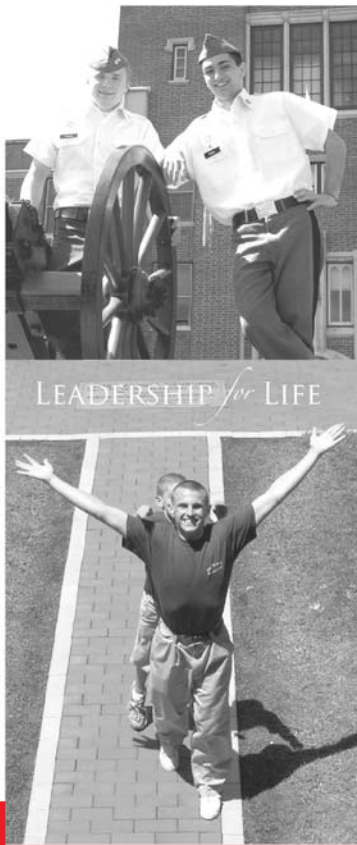
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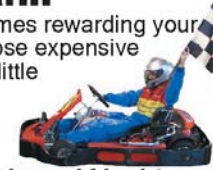
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CALENDAR

FROM PAGE 8

Alexandria. Jewelry designer Jen Judd will instruct students to re-fashion their broken or outdated beaded jewelry. Details, directions and online registration at www.thedelrayartisans.org or contact Theresa Kulstad at 703-283-0399 or tkulstad@verizon.net.

SATURDAY/JUNE 13

Break A Board-a-Thon. Noon. Virginia Martial Arts Institute fundraiser for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. At the Virginia Martial Arts Institute.

Sacramento Community Day Celebration. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Live entertainment, resources and giveaways, contests and family games. UCM Sacramento Neighborhood Center, 8792 E. Sacramento Drive, Alexandria. Call 703-619-2964.

Community Yard Sale. 7 a.m.-2 p.m. at Anthony T. Lane Elementary School, 7137 Beulah St. Hosted by the Alexandria Jaycees. Free. Visit www.alexjaycees.org for more.

Used Book Sale. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Friends Book Sale. Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre, Alexandria, 703-339-4610.

Elixirs and Edibles. 7-10 p.m. The Stabler-Leadbeater Apothecary Museum is hosting "An Evening of Elixirs and Edibles," a benefit inspired by herbs and spices. Reservations are available online at www.apothecarymuseum.org or 703-838-3852. Tickets range from \$75 to \$1,000, depending on sponsorship level.

SUNDAY/JUNE 14

River Farm Community Green Event. 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. At AHS River Farm, 7931 East Boulevard Drive, Alexandria, on the Potomac River. \$10/adults; \$5 children 3-12. Call Sharon Grant at 703-768-5700, ext. 116 or email sgrant@ahs.org. Exhibit space available.

Jazz Concert. The Committee for Jazz at Meade featured artist will be the Marshall Keys Group. At Meade Church, 322 N Alfred St, Alexandria. \$15. Light refreshments will be served.

Bon Voyage Concert. 3 p.m. Adult Choir of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, directed by Douglas A. Beck, organist-choirmaster. Free. At St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 228 South Pitt Street, Alexandria. Call 703-549-3312.

Music Performance. 3 p.m. at St. Paul's Old Town, 228 S. Pitt St. Hear the St. Paul's Choir. Free. Donations accepted.

Community Green. 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. The American Horticultural Society headquarters at River Farm in Alexandria. Guest speakers and exhibitors include: Brent Heath of Brent & Becky's Bulbs; wildlife photographer Don Chernoff of DC Wild; Joe Keyser of the GreenMan radio show; children's gardening expert Norm Lownds from Michigan State University's 4-H Children's Garden; and sustainable gardening coach Susan Harris. Admission is \$10 per adult (\$8 for AHS members) and \$5 per child aged 3 to 12 (under 3 are free). For more information, call (703) 768-5700 ext. 112 or visit the AHS web site at http://www.ahs.org/river_farm/09/community_green.htm.

Washington Revels Summer Solstice Festival Day. 1 p.m. Spend the day singing, dancing and picnicking with the Washington Revels. Those wanting to perform may sing in the chorus, act in a mummies' play, learn and do a Morris dance, or play in the band. Festival Day "Mini-Revels" performance at 5:30 p.m. At Fort Hunt Park. Go to www.revelsdc.org or call 301-587-3835.



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Stunning value! Majestic Colonial custom designed to capitalize on panoramic water vistas from all four levels and dramatic riverfront swimming pool! Abundant superlatives include: Over 9,400 total sq ft, 4 levels, 5 BRs, 5.55 BAs, 7 fireplaces, stunning 2 level MBR suite, custom built-ins, dock with power lifts, the list goes on & on! Price slashed over \$200,000 to expedite sale!



8642
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\$399,500
Huge Value!
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7501
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\$1,300,000
Stunning!
Inspired by Frank Lloyd Wright's Prairie style, this 1.13 acre property sits on a bluff overlooking acres of parkland with seasonal river views! Heart of redwood features, large room sizes, high ceilings and expansive glass window walls capture the natural beauty of grounds. Off GW Pkwy, 3 miles from Old Town. (Adjoining 1.18 acre available for \$975,000).



9516
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Waterfront!
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4307
Sheridan's Point
\$859,000
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!



4003
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\$4,800,000
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8826
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9500
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\$1,450,000
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2511 Appian Court
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8708 Bradgate Road
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805 N. Howard Street, Unit 421
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OPEN SUNDAY 1-3!

2410 Brentwood Place
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OVER THE TOP!

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The Artisans United Craft Gallery. Enjoy the free show, "Dads and Grads," during the month of June and "Summer Delights" during July. Come in and find unique hand-made craft items. Located at 4022 Hummer Rd., Annandale. Call 703-941-0202. The Craft Gallery is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and on Sundays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Amazing Mothers: An Exhibition by Lara Beaudry Byer will be on display June 3-24 at the Lee Arts Center Mini Gallery. The opening reception is Wednesday, June 3 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. The gallery is at 5722 Lee Highway, Arlington. Call 703-228-0560.

Oerth Gallery hosts Make Your Own Mug For Father's Day. On Saturdays, June 6 and June 13; potter Lorraine Oerth is hosting a special sidewalk event in front of Oerth Gallery, 420 South Washington Street. For \$20, individuals may select a mug and decorate it. Call 703-836-3784.

Elizabeth Stone Gallery comes to The von Brahler Ltd. Gallery, 1437 Powhatan Street, North Old Town, Alexandria, May 30-June 30. Open studios Saturdays and Sundays, June 5-7, June 13-14, June 20-21, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. "Dragons, Fairies, and Lullabys" Call 703-509-5845. Go to elizabethstonegallery.com.



Carol M. Dupré: The Mysterious Other

The Torpedo Factory's Target Gallery presents the 2009 Torpedo Factory Artist of the Year, CMDupré and her solo exhibition titled "The Mysterious Other" from June 10 - July 12. Along with having a solo exhibition, the artist will also receive an award check of \$1,000. The collection of visually lush oil paintings explores dark areas of human existence including the grasping horror of war. Through her use of a grid pattern, the artist retells historical narratives from different viewpoints while utilizing varied approaches to painting. The Friends of the Torpedo Factory Art Center named CMDupré Torpedo Factory Artist of the Year in January of 2009.

During the opening reception on Thursday, June 11 from 6-8 p.m., Shauna Lee Lange will discuss Dupré's work and offer her own insight into the work on exhibit. Dupré will not be present for the June 11 opening because she will be in Italy where she has embarked on studies for the doctorate in visual arts. She was accepted into the graduate program at the Institute For Doctoral Studies in the Visual Arts.

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Ongoing Events

See "Rosa de Dos Aromas (Two-Scented Rose)" at Gunston Arts Center, 2700 S. Lang St., from now through June 13. \$25/person; \$20/student, senior. Visit www.teatrodelaluna.org or 703-548-3092.

"Lucy's Playlist" will perform June 11-14 at 8 p.m. at Signature Theatre. Backstage Gala is June 13. At 4200 Campbell Ave., Arlington, in the Village at Shirlington. Call 703-820-9771 or www.ticketmaster.com.

The Providence Players of Fairfax will be performing their final production of the 2008-2009 Season, Arthur Miller's drama, "All My Sons," now through June 13 at the James Lee Community Center Theater. It will be performed Friday and Saturday, June 5, 6, 12, 13) at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, June 7 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$15/adults and \$12/ seniors and youth. Tickets may be reserved by emailing providenceplayers@cox.net or calling the Providence Players Ticket line at 703-425-6782. Tickets will also be available at the door. The James Lee Community Center is located at 2855 Annandale Road, Fall Church. Go to www.providenceplayers.org.

"Tomorrow's Stars," summer drama camp by The Little Theatre of Alexandria. For children ages 5-12. Early June offerings include a mornings-only drama camp for rising K-2nd graders. Mid-summer session features a two-week camp that features morning drama classes and/or afternoon musical theatre instruction. Contact the theatre office weekdays at 703-683-5778, ext.2, or check for classes on the web site: <http://www.thelittletheatre.com>.

Port City Playhouse presents "The Curious Savage" from now through June 14 at Lee Center for the Performing Arts, 1108 Jefferson St. Shows are Tuesdays, Fridays, Saturdays at 8 p.m. with special Sunday matinee at 2 p.m. Visit www.portcityplayhouse.com for more.

See "Legacy of Light" from now through June 14 at Arena Stage. Tickets are \$25-\$66/person. Visit www.arenastage.org or 202-488-3300.

Signature Theatre presents Partial Eclipse, a rock song cycle by Matt Conner directed by Artistic Director Eric Schaeffer, running June 10 through 13 in Signature's MAX Theatre. Performance dates are June 10 and 11 at 8:30 p.m. and June 12 and 13 at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30 each and can be purchased at the box office or by calling Ticketmaster at 703-573-SEAT (7328) or visiting www.signature-theatre.org.

Theater of the First Amendment presents the 9th Annual First Light Play Discovery Program Professional Weekend on Saturday, June 13. Featured works will be "The Bay of Fundy" by Sherry Kramer at noon, "Refugee Blues" by Wendy L. Anderson at 3 p.m., and "24, 7, 365" by Jennifer L. Nelson at 6 p.m. on the

George Mason University campus in Fairfax. For more information: www.theaterofthefirstamendment.org Admission is free.

"Jeffrey" runs from now through June 13 with performances Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. A Thursday night performance will take place on June 11, at 8 p.m. All performances will be held at the Gunston Arts Center - Theater One, located at 2700 S. Lang Street in Arlington. Tickets are \$17 for adults and \$15 for seniors and juniors. Seating is general admission; Tickets are available online for pre-purchase at www.DominionStage.org. Reservations can be made online or by calling 703-683-0502.

See "Lincolnesque" June 4-28 at Theatre on the Run, 3700 S. Four Mile Run Drive. \$25/person; \$20/student, senior. Visit www.keegantheatre.com for more.

Auditions for "Beauty & the Beast" June 9-10, from 7-9 p.m. at Thomas Jefferson Community Theatre, 125 S. Old Glebe Road, Arlington. Teens and adults ages 15 and older. Go to www.encoresstage.org. Performance dates: July 24-Aug. 2, Fridays at 8 p.m., Saturdays at 2 and 8 p.m., Sundays at 2 p.m.

Synthetic Theater 2009-10 season:
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State Sen. Patsy Ticer at Mount Vernon Estate with Charles Perla (left) portraying Alexander Hamilton and Stephen Lastova as James Monroe. These students were part of a Project Enlightenment at McLean High School where 65 students researched an 18th century person for the year and then portrayed them for the three days at George Washington's home.

With George and Martha

Taylor Shirley, 17, a junior at Mount Vernon High School and Mitchell Shirley, 12, a sixth-grader at Washington Mill Elementary, rode in a carriage with George and Martha Washington as they brought Martha's children, Jackie and Patsy, to life in the National Memorial Day Parade in the District. They are the daughter and son of Craig and Zorine Shirley of Mount Vernon Circle, Alexandria.



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Prom Can Wait for West Potomac Relay

Boys' 4x400-meter relay team takes first place at state championships.

BY MARK GIANNOTTO
THE GAZETTE

There was already plenty of pressure on the West Potomac boys' 4x400-meter relay team heading into last weekend's VHSL AAA State Outdoor Track and Field Championships in Newport News, Va.

All four runners — Brandon Comfort, Chris Montgomery, Joe Bradley, and Jon McCants — were seniors in one of their last high school races. Not to mention the Wolverines were the defending champions in the race, having won it a year ago at the 2008 state championships. If that weren't enough, they were also the talk of the competition thanks to the 3:15.27 time the quartet laid down at the prestigious Penn Relays back in April — the fastest recorded time in Virginia for the 4x400 this year.

None of that concerned West Potomac coach Don Beeby, though. With senior prom just a few short hours away, he was more worried about what his four athletes were thinking about. Was it dinner and dancing or a second-consecutive title that raced through their bodies?

"My fear was they would race faster to the car than on the track," said Beeby.

Little did the coach know, his four seniors could do both.

After racing to first place in the 4x400-meter relay with a time of

3:18.52 in the afternoon, giving the Wolverines their lone state title of the day, Beeby and his star pupils made it back to Northern Virginia right in time for the 8 p.m. dance.

It capped off a memorable season for the relay team, which took fourth in the country at the Penn Relays and won the race at districts, regionals, and now the state meet.

"It was a lot of pressure, but I tried to put that aside," said Montgomery. "I was kind of nervous because it's the state meet and you never know. We just didn't worry about getting first, we just wanted to go out there and run fast."

BUT THIS RELAY wasn't some juggernaut from the beginning. Take Montgomery for instance. A football player in the fall, he had never participated in outdoor track during the spring season, instead choosing lacrosse his first three years at West Potomac.

But after a strong winter season of indoor track, Montgomery stuck around for the spring campaign much to the coaching staff's surprise. His speed landed him on the vaunted 4x400 team.

Those quick feet also played a role in saving the Wolverines during the beginning parts of their race last Saturday.

After Comfort's opening leg, West Potomac sat in fourth place, but during the final straightaway of Montgomery's second leg, the Wolverines jumped up to the lead



PHOTO BY ROBBIE HAMMER/THE GAZETTE

West Potomac senior Joe Bradley raced the third leg of the Wolverines' first place 4x400-meter relay. He also placed fourth in the state in the 800-meter run last Saturday.

pack, directly behind first-place Western Branch.

After Bradley maintained that position the entire third leg, star Jon McCants took it from there, bypassing Western Branch almost as quickly as he received the baton for the final leg, and taking home another first-place medal in a race that has become the school's

forte.

"I got to witness a lot of talent," said Montgomery. "I wish I had done [track] all four years."

McCants and Bradley were a big reason the West Potomac boys' took seventh in the state as a team. McCants finished in fifth place in the 400-meter dash and sixth in the 200-meter dash, while Brad-

ley was an impressive fourth place in the 800-meter run. Bradley had held himself out of the 4x400-meter relay at the Northern Region meet due to a minor injury.

On the girls' side, senior Meghan Connor took 11th in the pole vault competition and freshman Sarah Jane Underwood came in ninth place in the 800-meter run.

FOR MOUNT VERNON, the state meet was a bit of a letdown after a promising regional showing. Star hurdlers Amira Hill and Clive Cameron both placed in the top-15 in their prospective specialty races, but finished lower than expected.

Cameron took 14th place in the 300-meter hurdles, running nearly three seconds slower than he did at the Northern Region championships, while Hill posted a blazing sub-15 second time in the preliminaries of the 100-meter hurdles, but couldn't match it in the final heat to place seventh. Senior Candace Bailey also took 10th place in the girls' discus competition.

But on a day that began at a track meet, it was the four seniors from West Potomac who got to celebrate its end in style at their prom, repeat champions despite having a target squarely on their backs.

"This time around, we had that early season time, so everybody was gunning for us," said Beeby. "I'm sure there were people in the stands halfway through who thought we weren't that fast, but every single final straightaway we picked people off. I was really pleased with the overall follow through of this group."

MOUNT VERNON SPORTS BRIEFS

Swim Results

The NVSL summer swim season is right around the corner and the Gazette doesn't want any child's prowess in the pool to go unnoticed. To have swim team's results posted in the Gazette each week, contact sports editor Mark Giannotto at mgiannotto@connectionnewspapers.com.

Alexandria Aces

The Alexandria Aces of the Cal Ripken, Sr. Collegiate Baseball League kicks off their second season this Friday Night at Frank E. Mann Field in Four Mile Run Park with a special dedication of the field beginning at 6:30 p.m. City of Alexandria baseball and softball players will receive free admission if they wear their league uniform. If there's inclement weather, the dedication will be moved to the Cora Kelly Recreation Center.

In addition, the Aces are still looking for host families to house some of their out-of-town college players. This sum-

mer approximately 30 young men from all over the United States will descend upon the Alexandria area for the summer to play baseball. From early June to early August they will play 42 games in 60 days. A host family is only asked to provide a warm bed and access to a washer and dryer. The Alexandria Aces handle the rest. To volunteer as a host parent/family contact Hilary Garner at 202 216-8304 or email@Hilary at hgarner@ralaw.com

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The camp will be run by boys' team head coach Alfonso Smith and girls' head coach Terry Henderson. Smith was named Northern Region Coach of the Year this past winter, while Henderson was named National District coach of the

year in his first year with the program. For more information, call 571-241-1486.

Lacrosse Leagues

In its 12th year of existence, the Alexandria Summer and Fall Lacrosse league is now taking registrations. The league is separated into two groups by age and skill level with games played every Sunday beginning June 14 at Woodley Hills Elementary School. College players and coaches will instruct and participate in play as well. The cost is just \$60. Goalies are half price. For more information, contact coach Dale Nalls at 703-203-7357 or email him at majorslax@cox.net.

For area high school varsity players there is also the Alexandria Travel Lacrosse, which will be holding tryouts June 7 and June 8 beginning at 5 p.m. The purpose of this team is to provide an opportunity to compete against the best players in the country and in front of college coaches.

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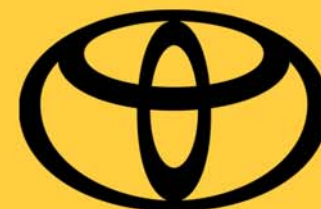


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