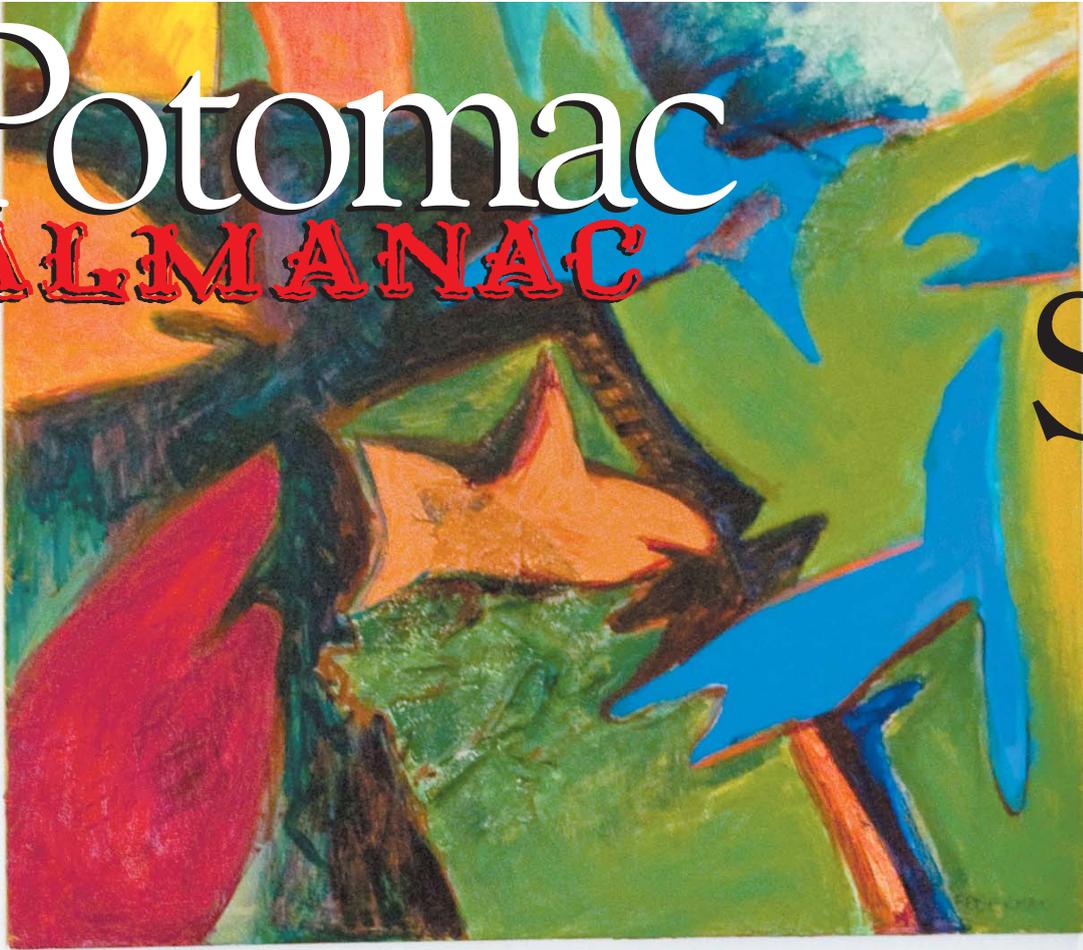


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by

Michael Matese

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THIS WEEK IN POTOMAC

Potomac Hunt To Benefit Injured Service Members

The Yellow Ribbon Fund, a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping wounded service members and their families, is partnering with the Potomac Hunt Races to create revenue and awareness for the Yellow Ribbon Fund and their programs.

Held on May 16 in Seneca, the Potomac Hunt Races is one of the final steeplechase races of the season. Horses race on the turf and over fences, while spectators look on from their tailgate parties. A child-friendly event, The Potomac Hunt Races feature pony rides, a moon bounce, and face painting. Included in the day's activities are the presentation of the colors by the Maryland National Capital Park Police, horseback riding demonstrations, and shopping on vendor row.

The Yellow Ribbon Fund will use income from the races to take service members to sporting events, provide housing for visiting families, supply taxi vouchers and rental cars.

General admission parking passes to the races are \$30, and rail side parking passes are \$200. To purchase tickets visit www.potomachuntraces.com. For more information on the Yellow Ribbon Fund, visit www.yellowribbonfund.com.

Missing North Potomac Teenager Found

Detectives from the Montgomery County Police 1st District Investigate Section have located a missing 18-year-old teenager from North Potomac.

Melissa Moore was located on March 27 in Prince George's County, safe and unharmed.

The Montgomery County Police and Moore's family would like to thank the local media and the community for their assistance with this incident.

Ride On's Annual Food Drive

Ride On bus passengers in Montgomery County can help needy families and receive free bus rides by donating canned or nonperishable food during Ride On's annual food drive. A free trip will be provided to riders who donate food from Sunday, April 11 through Saturday, April 17. Food collected through the drive goes to Manna Food Center, which feeds 3,000 hungry families a month.

During the Give and Ride promotion, food collection bags will be placed near the fare boxes on all Ride On buses. Riders using free shuttles and other transit services can participate by bringing their donations to a Ride On bus. In addition to non-perishable food, children's items are also needed. Disposable diapers, formula, baby or toddler food and juice are especially useful to families in need. Plastic containers are preferred.

All food donations, regardless of the number of cans, will be valued at the regular fare rate of \$1.45. Passengers who transfer buses will need an additional food donation to ride free on the second bus. Riders who wish to buy a Regional One-Day pass will need to add \$1.75 to the fare box. Checks made out to Manna Food Center will also be accepted. Writing in "Ride On" on the "For" or "Memo" line in the lower left corner of a check will make it easier to track the success of the program.

For bus stop locations or bus schedules, call the County's Transit Information Center at 240-777-7433; TDD/TTY 240-777-5869. Route and timetable information is also available on Ride On's Web site at montgomerycountymd.gov/rideon, then click on "Ride On."



PHOTOS BY HARVEY LEVINE/THE ALMANAC

Five of the resident artists of The Art Gallery of Potomac: Terri Cunningham, Felisa Federman, Colette Calilhanna, Cherry Dearie, and Claire Howard



The Art Gallery of Potomac has filled the former site of The Surrey.

Artists Find Home in Potomac Village

Group displays artwork in vacant storefront.

BY COLLEEN HEALY
THE ALMANAC

Spanish artist Pablo Picasso once said, "Give me a museum and I'll fill it." The same can be said of a vacant building in Potomac Village. The former storefront occupied by The Surrey has now been transformed into an artist collaborative and art gallery.

Each month, The Art Gallery of Potomac will feature a different local artist's work. According to

artist Terri Cunningham the space "will be our home base as well as a working studio where the public can come in and watch us work. We welcome people to watch us paint and explain our pieces."

The inspiration for the gallery was an idea by eight local artists who have known each other for many years to share a workspace and gallery together. In addition, the space would feature other Potomac artists and give them a place and opportunity to show their work. Each artist has a different style and background, coming from countries such as South Africa, Argentina and Lebanon.

Colette Calilhanna describes the collaborative "as a group of friends that are happy to have a place to work together."

"Our hope is to make Potomac even more lovely, lively and interesting"

— Anne Martinez

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Colette Calilhanna and her painting, "Dahlias"

Residents Looking Forward to New Food Market

Harris Teeter offers series of grand opening weekend events.

BY COLLEEN HEALY
THE ALMANAC

If you build it, they will come. On April 6, the long-awaited grand opening of Harris Teeter Food Market in the Park Potomac Shopping Center will take place during a Taste of Teeter event from 5:30-8 p.m.

Customers are welcome to attend and sample food from the various departments. Amy Schulenburg is excited about the new store because "it is so close to my office. I look forward to trying the food samples in the different departments. There is such a wide variety."

Anne Trudel likes the concept of the store and looks forward to being able to buy the nuts and black cherry juice her husband

enjoys. She feels "it is a different approach to shopping. I especially like the prepared foods and the variety and choice of meats. There is no other store like Harris Teeter; they just have nice stuff."

Emily Hannapel agrees: "It is a nicer place to shop than Giant or Safeway. Harris Teeter has similar pricing and the location is extremely convenient. It also has great snacks for kids and the mini shopping carts for children. It is a pleasure to go there and shop."

Rowena DeLeon has never been inside of a Harris Teeter however, "everyone tells me how good it is. From what I understand it is a specialty store that is not as big as Giant or Safeway, but it offers more organic veggies and fresh things. It is convenient but on a smaller scale. The parking will have

easy access. I have been waiting for this Harris Teeter to open and I am interested by what I have heard."

The formal grand opening of Harris Teeter in Potomac was scheduled for Tuesday, April 6.

To celebrate the grand opening, the company will also host a variety of events on the first three weekends following the opening. During select times on Friday, April 9 through Sunday, April 11, the e-VIC mobile will be parked in front of the store giving customers an opportunity to sign-up for this free service that notifies customers when items they regularly buy are on sale and offers them member-only discounts. The following weekend the Rancher Mobile Grill will be visiting the store during select times and associates will give away free

samples of Harris Teeter Rancher Beef NY Strip Steaks. During the last weekend event starting on Friday, April 23, Harris Teeter's ice cream truck will be at the store, and associates will distribute free Harris Teeter brand ice cream sandwiches to customers.

Prior to the grand opening, Harris Teeter would like to encourage future shoppers to visit harristeeter.com and sign up for its Very Important Customer (VIC) card. The VIC card allows shoppers to take advantage of weekly specials and participate in weekly special promotions. Shoppers can also sign-up for and use their VIC card at the grand opening.

The new store will be 48,000 square feet and have eight standard check out lanes, and six USCAN lanes. The store will be open 24 hours and the pharmacy hours will be Monday – Saturday 9 a.m. – 9 p.m., Sunday 12 – 6 p.m. For more information, visit www.harristeeter.com

On 40th Anniversary of Earth Day ...

... a fortunate Potomac River.

BY NAT WILLIAMS

On April 22, 1970, 20 million Americans gathered around the country to observe the birth new holiday: Earth Day. Encouraged by Senator Gaylord Nelson of Wisconsin, the event evolved into an annual celebration of the planet that supports our lives.

Here in Washington, those first Earth Day celebrants assembled around the monuments on the National Mall, within sight of the Potomac River. But the Potomac of 40 years ago was a different sight (and smell) than the river we know today. Quite literally, that river would make you sick.

In those days, huge toxic algae blooms fed on excess bacteria and created such a stench that government officials steered visiting dignitaries away from the river. The algae also caused massive fish kills, and pollution made swimming in the Potomac unthinkable, even on the hottest days.

BUT THOSE first Earth Day celebrants were part of a rising tide of environmental awareness, resulting in a host of laws that improved the health of rivers nationwide. Most notably, the Clean Water Act of 1972 prompted Maryland, Virginia and D.C. to modernize their sewage treatment plants and reduce pollution entering the Potomac by 95 percent.



Nat Williams

A clean Potomac River benefits us all, especially since more than 80 percent of our region's residents rely upon it for drinking water. The Potomac is also the second-largest tributary of the Chesapeake Bay, so the cleaner the Potomac, the better our chances of restoring the Bay's crabs, oysters and fish.

Millions of people also enjoy fishing, boating, and hiking along the Potomac. Indeed, more than 3 million people a year visit Great Falls in Potomac alone, a place The Nature Conservancy helped to protect back in 1960. The Conservancy co-owns Bear Island and the popular Billy Goat Trail, and continues to work with the National Park Service to pro-



View of the Potomac River, now 95 percent clearer than it was on the first Earth Day.

ALAN ECKERT PHOTOGRAPHY

BUT ON THIS 40th anniversary of Earth Day, we deserve to celebrate our accomplishments on the Potomac. Not only have we turned around the health of the river in a generation, but also proven that we can restore our environment. In the shadow of our national monuments, we have achieved the rebirth of a natural monument.

This year, you can celebrate, have fun outdoors, and help The Nature Conservancy by running or walking in our 2nd annual Earth Day 5K "Sprint for Spat" in Silver Spring, on Sunday, April 18. Hosted by Pacers Events LLC, the event will raise funds to plant 5 million baby oysters (called spat) in the Chesapeake Bay. For more information, go online to nature.org/earthday5k.

Nat Williams is director of The Nature Conservancy in Maryland/DC, a non-profit organization whose mission is to preserve the diversity of life on Earth. The organization cares for more than 50 preserves in Maryland and Virginia, including co-ownership of Bear Island at Great Falls Park. nature.org/marylanddc

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LETTERS

Support MET Funding

To the Editor:

The following open letter was addressed to District 15 delegates Brian Feldman, Kathleen Dumais and Craig Rice.

The West Montgomery County Citizens Association (WMCCA) supports continued full funding of Maryland Environmental Trust (MET) which has already preserved more than 122,000 acres in Maryland. As has been proven all over the nation, there is no better strategic investment in the future of open space protection than land trusts that preserve forest, farmland and significant natural resources in perpetuity through easements, especially in these difficult financial times.

MET not only preserves open space directly through more than 1,000 easements, but promotes the ethic of preservation through assistance to local land trusts and by providing grants to environmental education projects through Keep Maryland Beautiful. The easements held with landowners provide the ultimate in property rights for those who wish to protect their land by assuring that land placed in the easement will never be used in a way contrary to their intent and provides tax incentives for doing so. The same cannot be said for easement agreements with Montgomery County, which are violated and then adjusted to accommodate uses contrary to the intent of the original easement. Citizens of Maryland need the preservation assurance that only MET can offer. Cutting funding to this fundamental program is unconscionable.

Ginny Barnes
Environmental Chair
WMCCA

Misguided Policy

To the Editor:

We are writing to express our grave concern over the Administration's misguided and hostile policy toward Israel, a stalwart ally of the United States and a bulwark in the fight against ter-

rorism. President Obama has put unprecedented pressure on Israel, while permitting the Palestinians to continue to incite and practice violence against the Jewish State and ignoring the threat of a nuclear Iran. The result of the Administration's policies is that a resolution of the Arab-Israeli conflict is ever less likely. Successive Israeli governments have demonstrated time and time again their desire for an enduring peace with the Palestinians, who remain unwilling to accept a Jewish state of any size or configuration in the Middle East. There remains no Palestinian partner for peace with Israel and no amount of pressure by the United States — or misguided hysteria re: "settlements," which house tens of thousands of Jerusalemites — will change that essential fact. Jerusalem has been for more than 3,000 years the eternal capital of the Jewish people and, please G-d, it will remain so, undivided, whole and welcoming to peace-loving people of all faiths.

The Administration lacks an historical understanding of the conflict and of its appropriate role in resolution of issues that must be addressed by the parties in interest, not by a U.S. president. President Obama's policy of appeasement toward religious fanatics and hostility toward Israel has weakened the security of the United States and of democracies worldwide.

We call on President Obama to reverse course immediately.

Lisa Alpert Rosen
Potomac

Ready for Peace

To the Editor:

Israel wants peace and is willing to compromise to get it. Israel has already shown that it will compromise by giving up lands that were rightfully its own. Please stand with Israel, your partner in the Middle East. Several Arab countries openly say that their goal is to wipe Israel off the map. Please help so that doesn't happen.

Gail Singer
Potomac

brary.

Items loaned for display could include uniforms, dog tags, photos, letters, medals, or the type of personal items often left at the Vietnam Memorial.

Items to be loaned for the May/Memorial Day displays should be taken — no later than Friday, April 16 — to the Broome School (first floor/use blue awning entrance) at 751 Twinbrook Parkway, Rockville, Monday through Thursday from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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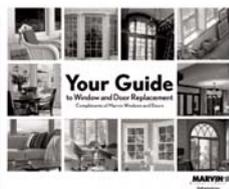
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WEDNESDAY/APRIL 7

Open Rehearsals. 7:15-9 p.m.

Maryland Classic Youth Orchestras is holding a free, open rehearsal with special guest conductor and prodigy, Ilyich Rivas, age 17. At the Mansion at Strathmore, 5301 Tuckerman Lane, North Bethesda. Call 301-581-5108.

THURSDAY/APRIL 8

Slow Blues and Swing Dance.

Admission is \$8. Slow Blues lesson from 8:15 to 9 p.m. Dancing from 9-11:30 p.m. DJ Mike Marcotte and Guests will play a variety of styles including traditional and contemporary blues music, and classic cover tunes going back through the history of blues music. At the Back Room of Glen Echo Park. Call Donna Barker at 301-634-2231 or go to info@CapitalBlues.org or www.CapitalBlues.org. At 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo.



Soovin Kim

APRIL 17-18

Mozart to Mahler Concert. Saturday at 8 p.m.; Sunday at 3 p.m. Music Director and Conductor Piotr Gajewski will lead the National Philharmonic in a program with works by Mozart, Bruch and Mahler. With violinist Soovin Kim and Soprano Arianna Zukerman. Tickets are \$29-\$79. At the Music Center at Strathmore, 5301 Tuckerman Lane, North Bethesda. Visit nationalphilharmonic.org or call the box office at 301-581-5100.

APRIL 8-11

Spring Scholars Weekend. The 2010 Scholars' Weekend, entitled Dig It! Archaeology, History & the Bible, runs Thursday, April 8 through Sunday, April 11 and will feature lectures, in-depth discussions, receptions, and a brunch. Features presentations from renowned Israeli archaeologist Dr. Doron Ben-Ami. Sponsored by Congregation Har Shalom. Most events are free to the public. Friday night dinner tickets are \$18/adult; \$12/youth; or \$40/family. Visit www.harshalom.org or call 301-299-7087.



Arianna Zukerman

FRIDAY/APRIL 9

Wine Class. 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$30/person; \$50/couple. Potomac resident Dick Rosano, author of *Wine Heritage: The Story of Italian-American Vintners*, will host a wine class. This fund-raiser benefits the St. James' Youth Group Summer Workcamp in Buffalo, NY. At St. James' Episcopal Church, 11815 Seven Locks Road, Potomac. Call 301-762-8040. Visit www.stjamespotomac.org.

Swing Dance. 8 p.m. to midnight. Admission is \$15. With the Boilermaker Jazz Band. A beginning

swing dance lesson from 8-9 p.m. followed by dancing until midnight. At the Bumper Car Pavilion of Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Email: info@dclx.org.

Late Night Swing Dance. 1-5 a.m.

Cost is \$15. With the band Jonathan Stout and his Campus Five. This event is part of the annual Washington, DC Lindy Exchange (DCLX) weekend and open to all. At the Chevy Chase Ballroom, 5207 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. Go to www.DCLX.org, email info@dclx.org, or call Tom O'Brien at 301-466-8671.

Contra Dance. 7:30-11:30 p.m.

Admission is \$9. Contra Dance lesson from 7:30-8:15 p.m., followed by the called dance to live music from 8:30-11:30 p.m. This week, Louie Cromartie calls to the fabulous Glen Echo Open Band. At the Spanish Ballroom of Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Email: fndcontra@yahoo.com

Bethesda Art Walk. 6-9 p.m.

Downtown Bethesda galleries showcase artwork created locally, nationally and internationally including painting, photography, sculpture and mixed media. Enjoy several galleries by walking throughout downtown Bethesda. The free Bethesda Circulator stops within a few blocks of each Bethesda Art Walk gallery, and runs continuously throughout the duration of the Art Walk.

APRIL 9-10

2010 DC Lindy Exchange Weekend.

D.C. Lindy Exchange returns in its 9th year with a full weekend of swing and lindy dancing at Glen Echo Park, featuring live music and late-night dances with renowned DJs. Open to all dancers, beginners to advanced. Visit dclx.org.

APRIL 9-11

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SATURDAY/APRIL 10

Swing Dance. 8 p.m. to midnight.

Admission is \$18. With the band Jonathan Stout and his Campus Five. Beginner swing dance lesson from 8-9 p.m. followed by dancing until midnight. At the Spanish Ballroom of Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Email: info@dclx.org

Potomac River Watershed Clean-up.

9 a.m. to noon. Join the Potomac Conservancy. Volunteers will be supplied with trash bags and gloves. At River Center at Lockhouse 8, C&O Canal National Historical Park, 7906 Riverside Ave., Cabin John. Visit www.PotomacCleanup.org or contact Becky Horner at 202-518-7415 or email bhorner@fergusonfoundation.org or contact Deanna Tricarico at tricarico@potomac.org, or 301-608-1188 x204.

Late Night Swing Dance. 1-5 a.m.

Cost is \$15. With the Red Hot Rhythm Chiefs. This event is part of the annual Washington, DC Lindy Exchange (DCLX) weekend and open to all. At the Chevy Chase Ballroom, 5207 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. Go to www.DCLX.org, email info@dclx.org, or call Tom O'Brien at 301-466-8671.

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Potomac's Mason Excited for San Diego Opportunity

Former Georgetown Prep, Washington Redskins running back seeks playing time with Chargers.

BY JON ROETMAN
THE ALMANAC

Marcus Mason always wants an opportunity to prove he belongs in the NFL. After three seasons, three teams and 32 regular season carries, the 25-year-old running back has another chance — only this time, he'll have to show he belongs nearly 3,000 miles from home.

Mason, who carried the ball in nine games with the Washington Redskins in 2009, was claimed off waivers by the San Diego Chargers on March 8. Mason has spent his entire pro career on the East Coast, including brief stops with the New York Jets and Baltimore Ravens. Mason, who grew up in Potomac's Scotland neighborhood off Seven Locks Road, said the move will be tough — but not too tough.

"It's going to be hard, but at the same time, it's San Diego — you can't really ask for better weather," Mason told the Almanac on Monday. "You've got the beach, everything. [Los Angeles] is an hour and a half away. But as far as [being away from] family, it's going to be hard."

Mason said he's looking for a place to live on the West Coast.

EACH OF MASON'S NFL stops placed the running back at the back end of a stacked or solidified depth chart. Washington had Clinton Portis, Ladell Betts and Rock



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Potomac native and former Washington Redskins running back Marcus Mason, seen with ball, was claimed off waivers by the San Diego Chargers.

Cartwright. Baltimore had Willis McGahee and Ray Rice. The Jets had Thomas Jones and Leon Washington. After putting up big preseason numbers — including leading the NFL in preseason rushing yards in 2008 — Mason finally received regular season carries in 2009, his third NFL season. He rushed 32 times for 127 yards and hauled in six receptions for 58 yards with the Redskins.

As the 2010 season approaches, Mason's fourth team has a running back situation the antithesis of settled. Gone from San Diego are hall-of-fame-bound ball carrier LaDainian Tomlinson, who has rushed for more than 12,000 yards and 138 touchdowns, and veteran Michael Bennett, a former first-round draft pick. Tomlinson was released and signed with the New York Jets. Bennett is a free agent.

The Chargers' most experienced remain-

"They've been after me for awhile now. I feel wanted."

— Marcus Mason on the San Diego Chargers

ing running back is six-year veteran Darren Sproles, who recently signed a one-year restricted free agent tender. While seen as a playmaker, it's unknown if the 5-foot-6, 185-pound Sproles could thrive as a featured back while taking the pounding that comes with 20-plus carries per contest. The 5-foot-9, 215-pound Mason and fellow undrafted ball carrier Curtis Brinkley (5-9, 208) are the team's other running backs.

"I think it's a perfect opportunity," Mason said. "I feel like this is my best opportunity to do" something.

Avalon, Marchand said. "He mixed things up really well and challenged the hitters."

Wootton travels to face Damascus at 3:30 p.m. April 7 and Blair at 2:30 p.m. April 10.

"Obviously we've been playing well," Marchand said. "We've improved. We were pretty inconsistent in the preseason in our scrimmages."

Whitman Starts 2-0

The Whitman baseball team looks to maintain its winning ways after a 2-0 start. The Vikings defeated Magruder 6-2 on March 24 and Einstein 20-0 (five innings) on March 25.

Whitman's Michael Flack had four hits and three RBIs against Einstein. James Dionne, Brett Morgenstern, Sam Sharpe and Danny Lee each had three hits. Sharpe had four RBIs and Morgenstern, Dionne, Lee

MASON'S CHANCES of earning a roster spot and playing time will become somewhat clearer after the NFL Draft on April 22-24. Mason said he expects the Chargers will select a running back. Clemson's C.J. Spiller is the only running back consistently chosen in the first round of media mock drafts. San Diego holds seven draft picks, including No. 28 in round one.

"They have to draft a running back, so I'm not really worried about it," Mason said. "I've been on teams where competition was tough."

The Chargers went 13-3 in 2009, winning their final 11 regular season games, but they were upset by the Jets in the divisional round of the AFC playoffs. Sproles led the team with 33 rushing yards in the playoff loss, and San Diego did not have a running back reach the 100-yard mark in any game during the season. The Chargers finished 31st out of 32 teams with 1,423 yards during the season.

Mason was a standout at Georgetown Prep in Bethesda, ending his career in 2002 as Maryland's all-time leading high school rusher with 5,700 yards. He attended the University of Illinois and later found success after transferring to Youngstown State University in Ohio, where he rushed for 2,739 yards and scored 31 touchdowns in two seasons. As a senior at YSU he set the school record for rushing yards in a season with 1,847.

Mason said the Chargers claimed him off waivers after he was released by the Jets in 2008, but the Redskins, who also claimed Mason, were awarded his services due to a worse record. San Diego's pursuit of Mason is one reason the back is excited to play for the Chargers.

"They've been after me for awhile now," he said. "I feel wanted."

SPORTS BRIEFS

Wootton at 4-0

The runs keep coming for the Wootton baseball team.

Wootton beat Avalon (Gaithersburg) 10-0 in six innings on March 31. The Patriots have scored 44 runs in four games and are off to a 4-0 start.

"We hit the ball well" against Avalon, head coach J.D. Marchand said. "We didn't hit the ball as well as we had against Quince Orchard, but it's hard to do that."

The Patriots scored 18 runs against Quince Orchard on March 27, including 10 in the first inning.

Max Simon went 3-for-3 against Avalon with two doubles and four RBIs. Greg Albertini had a double and two RBIs.

The Patriots also got a big pitching performance from Alex Hindman, who struck out 12 while tossing a two-hit shutout. The senior threw a no-hit shutout against Paint Branch on March 24.

"Our pitching was dominant" against

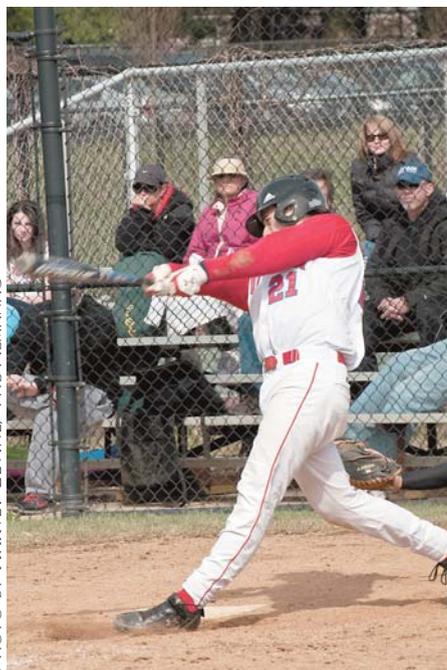


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Alex Hindman and the Wootton baseball team have scored 44 runs in four games.



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Whitman's Danny Lee slides into third base during a preseason scrimmage.

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and Paul Balland each had two.

On the mound, Ross Peterson, Flack, Sharpe and Ryan McGill combined to allow one hit and issue just one walk.

Flack had three RBIs against Magruder and Balland had two. Dionne had three hits and Balland and Sharpe each had two.

Whitman hosts Quince Orchard on April 8 and travels to face Clarksburg on April 9 and Paint Branch on April 10.

Churchill Baseball Returns to Action

The Churchill baseball team travels to face Magruder at 3:30 p.m. April 7, the Bulldogs' first official game since defeating Sherwood on March 24. Churchill lost to Gaithersburg, 6-5, and Quince Orchard, 4-2, on March 31 in games that didn't affect the Bulldogs in the standings.

The Bulldogs host Rockville at 3:30 p.m. April 9.

Churchill Sports Return From Spring Break

Several Churchill teams return to action on April 7. The boys lacrosse team hosts Sherwood at 7 p.m. The boys tennis team hosts Wootton at 3:30 p.m. The softball team travels to play Magruder at 3:30 p.m. The coed volleyball team hosts Kennedy at 5:15 p.m., and the boys volleyball team hosts Kennedy at



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Harris Fanaroff and the Churchill baseball team will play their second game on April 7 at Magruder.

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On April 8, the girls lacrosse team travels to play Sherwood at 7 p.m.



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However inadvertent it may have been, and however brief it was, I was nonetheless abruptly reminded, loudly and aggressively, that my driving delay in departing from a stop-light-having-just-turned-green was unacceptable. The driver behind me didn’t just “lean” on his horn, if you know what I mean; he rested on it! Sorry, I thought, somewhat aggravated and nonplussed at the same time, as I pressed on the gas pedal and proceeded through the intersection. “Give me a break,” (or something to that effect) as I reacted verbally to the tone and frequency of this horn o’ plenty blaring directly behind me. “Cool it! Give me a second. Jeez.” (I don’t believe I swore, to tell you the truth.) And a few seconds later, this driver accelerated and passed me, but not before I noticed the familiar green bumper sticker on his car’s rear bumper: “Choose Civility in Howard County.” I didn’t see whether the driver was a man or a woman, or whether the driver was in uniform or not (although the vehicle was not marked in any way); it simply appeared to be a regular passenger vehicle, not one on any kind of duty/in a hurry, but one proudly promoting the existence of civility in Howard County.

How ironic I thought. How rude I accused. How characteristic – or not, I wondered. I only wish I could have caught the whole episode on tape somehow; then found the Howard County employee/department responsible for this civility campaign; then found the actual driver whose behavior precipitated this pursuit and then presented it all to the County Executive for his/her approval/consideration. (Oh. I forgot to mention, this exchange occurred during the Blizzard of 2010, just to give the circumstances a little context.)

As an advertising consultant for 13 years with Connection Newspapers, I’m somewhat familiar with advertising campaigns. One of the old adages is, frequency matters; continuing exposure to the same message/promotion eventually wins the day (and the night, too). If consumers see/hear/read something enough times, they start to believe it. Previous to this incident, I had seen the Howard County bumper sticker many times, and had begun to wonder if in fact there was any truth/validity to its claim. Now I know better. This driver proved it.

Kenny Lourie is an Advertising Representative for The Almanac & The Connection Newspapers.

NEWS

Artists

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“Art is so needed in a community,” she said. “Art is expression along with music and literature. We need these things in Potomac.”

“The gallery has such a friendly atmosphere, and we are so passionate about what we do we want to share it with others,” said Claire Howard. “I am excited to be part of this community.”

As for future plans, Felisa Federman said that the space could be used for different art occasions such as poetry readings, concerts and art lessons. The artists also encourage students to visit and hope schools will plan field trips to the gallery.

“Our hope is to make Potomac even more



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Claire Howard and her painting “Spring in Washington”

lovely, lively and interesting with our display of art at The Art Gallery of Potomac,” said Anne Martinez.

The Art Gallery of Potomac is open Thursday-Sunday, 12-4 p.m., and is located at 10107 River Road in Potomac.

History Worth Telling

Vinson Hall resident launches new book with support from St. Andrews student.

Maj. David L. Chewning, 89, has just published his second novel, “A Life Worth Living,” with the help of the “History Matters” project volunteers at Vinson Hall Retirement Community. Chewning will present his novel and sign copies on Friday, April 9, at 1 p.m., at Vinson Hall in McLean.

Chewning’s novel was written with the help of volunteers, as part of the “History Matters” project at Vinson Hall. “History Matters” was the vision of Marco Bonvillian, a student at St. Andrews Episcopal School in Potomac.

Chewning, who was named “Best High School Newspaper Editor” in the nation by Columbia University in 1937, always aspired to write a novel. When he moved into Vinson Hall Retirement Community, Chewning looked forward to the opportu-

nity to pursue ventures that he always wanted to do but never had the time to pursue before retirement.

Entitled “All Who Wander Are Not Lost,” his first book was published in early 2009. He soon embarked on writing a follow up novel; a microcosm of 20th century history as examined through his life experiences, including his time as an Army Air Force officer, Department of Defense executive and economic advisor who traveled the world.

“I did have an exotic life, but that is characteristic of individuals who have served in the military and done the type of economic development work I did,” Chewning said.

“History Matters” pairs volunteers with residents, like Chewning, so that they may have their stories told. Volunteers typically transfer the residents’ written manuscripts to type, edit their work and digitize their old photos.

Bonvillian was inspired to help senior citizens and contacted Vinson Hall Retirement Community to see how he could be of service. After brainstorming with Vinson Hall Volunteer Coordinator Phillip DuBois, “History Matters” was launched with the mission to bring technology and personal history together for the residents of Vinson Hall.

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ing items, call Richard Schiffauer at 240-777-1724 or email Richard.schiffauer@montgomerycountymd.gov.

WEDNESDAY/APRIL 7

Support Group — DBSA. 7:30 p.m. Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance National Capital Area Family Support Group. At the Parish Hall of St. Raphael’s Church, 1513 Dunster Road (Falls Road and Dunster Road) in Rockville. For families and friends of people who have been diagnosed with depression or bipolar illness. Free. Call 301-299-4255 or 301-570-9065. Internet: www.dbsanca-family.org.

FRIDAY/APRIL 9

Autism Resource Fair. 3 to 7 p.m. More than 50 organizations and businesses will share

information about recreation, employment, behavior management services, family supports and respite, and other support services for individuals with autism and their families. At Montgomery College, PE Main Gymnasium Building, 51 Mannakee Street, Rockville. Call 240-777-1216 (voice), 240-777-1217 (TTY) or 711 (Maryland Relay) by March 19.

SUNDAY/APRIL 11

Yom Ha’Shoah v’Hagvurah - Holocaust Heroes and Martyrs Day. 3-4 p.m. At B’nai Israel Congregation - 6301 Montrose Road, Rockville. Contact Arielle Farber at afarber@jcouncil.org or 301-770-0881 or visit www.jcouncil.org

MONDAY/APRIL 12

Operating Budget. 7:45 to 10 p.m. County Executive Ike Leggett’s FY 11 Operating Budget

PETS OF THE WEEK

Partnership for Animal Welfare (PAW) is an all-volunteer, not-for-profit group. To adopt an animal, volunteer or make a tax-deductible donation, visit www.paw-rescue.org, call 301-572-4729 or write to PAW, P.O. Box 1074, Greenbelt, MD 20768.

Aaron is a 2-year-old Basset/Terrier mix. At 40 pounds and neutered, Aaron was rescued from a shelter and nursed back to health by PAW. He’s a clownish dog with an offbeat sense of humor. He loves walks, people and the outdoors and would love an adopter who would enjoy this funny, happy boy as a family member.



Eliza is a 2-year-old spayed Beagle. At 20 pounds, she came from a difficult situation that made her shy, but she is coming out of her shell with a PAW foster. She’s pretty much housebroken and has started playing with other dogs and is becoming less fearful. Eliza will blossom in a calm home with a kind, patient adopter and a gentle buddy dog or two.



to be featured at next meeting of the Montgomery County Civic Federation. At the County Council Office Building, 100 Maryland Ave., Rockville. Visit www.montgomerycivic.org.

THURSDAY/APRIL 15

Rockville Tax Day Tea Party Rally. 5-7 p.m. Sponsored by Americans for Prosperity/Montgomery County, Campaign for Liberty, and Accuracy in Media. At Rockville Town Square Plaza, 26 Maryland Ave., Rockville.

WEDNESDAY/APRIL 21

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