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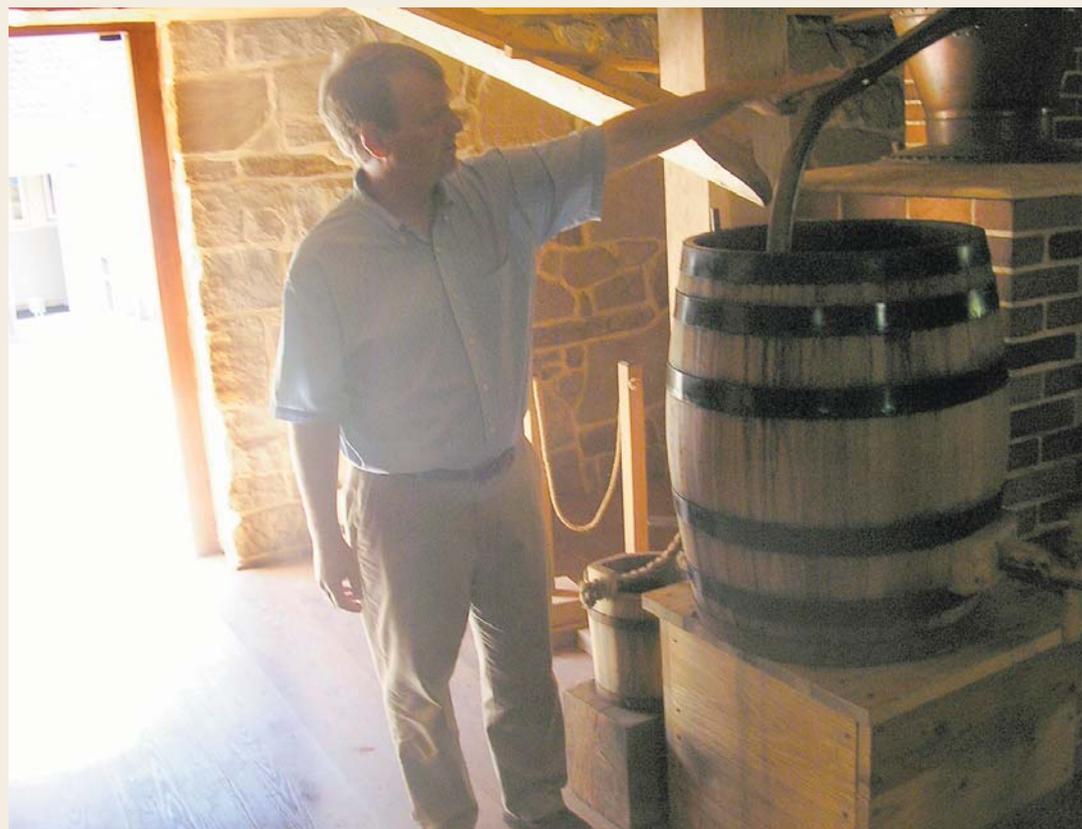


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Dennis Pogue explains the whiskey-making process at Mount Vernon's distillery.

Whiskey — George's Way

Father of Our Country begins selling rye whiskey this week at the Mount Vernon Estate.

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE
THE GAZETTE

Build it, and they will chug. George Washington knew it was true. Now the Mount Vernon Estate is going to fulfill Washington's goal of launching a profitable distillery on Dogue Creek. This is where 471 bottles of George Washington Rye Whiskey are waiting for the open market, hitting the retail market this week. But don't expect the Father of Our Country to put Jack Daniel's out of business any time soon.

"There are a lot of nice people in Kentucky who make very good products," said Dennis Pogue, vice president for preservation at Mount Vernon. "We never envisioned ourselves as jumping into the alcohol business, but it's something that people are naturally interested in."

The reconstructed buildings have been open to visitors since 2007, after the ruins of Washington's once thriving gristmill and distillery had been transformed into an educational museum and gift shop. Almost immediately, the buzz began to build. When will whiskey be available in the gift shop? Hundreds of visitors

left names and phone numbers in anticipation of purchasing the first batch.

"It's as much like Washington's whiskey as you can possibly get today," said Pogue. "It's sweeter and spicier than a lot of today's corn whiskey."

WASHINGTON GOT into the whiskey business late in life, beginning construction in the fall of 1797. That's when Scottish farm manager James Anderson finally persuaded the former president to launch a start-up. Washington had been skeptical at first, but Anderson persuaded him that a good product would be very marketable. Together with his son, Anderson began making the first batch of commercially available whiskey in the spring of 1798.

"Washington was an entrepreneur," said Pete Curtis, assistant manager. "Having wheat flour being shipped as far as Portugal and then starting up the distillery and having that shipped to the mer-

chants in Alexandria made Washington a very successful businessman of his time."

Washington's recipe was 65 percent rye, 30 percent corn and 5 percent malt and barley. It was known at the time as "common whiskey," which

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— Dennis Pogue, vice president for preservation at Mount Vernon

Forward Movement On 'Ashley's Law'

Survey to be launched of law enforcement agencies' emergency response procedures.

BY GERALD A. FILL
THE GAZETTE

The Virginia Crime Commission's Law Enforcement Work Group met June 16 in Richmond to consider state Sen. Toddy Puller's (D-Mt. Vernon) legislation, popularly called Ashley's Law. After debating Puller's legislative proposal, members of the working group ordered the state-wide survey. They also asked to watch the Dash Cam Video which recorded the McIntosh auto crash.

Puller expressed the belief that the work group's recent order for a state-wide survey, and desire to watch the Dash Cam video of the McIntosh auto crash was a "positive development."

Kristen Howard, the executive director of the Crime Commission,

expected the survey would be sent to all Virginia law enforcement agencies sometime in July.

"We will be surveying what kinds of local law enforcement emergency response procedures are in place, and what type of driver training is taking place, among other issues," Howard said.

The Crime Commission's next regularly scheduled meeting is Sept. 8. Howard could not say whether the survey would be completed in time for the September Crime Commission meeting.

Puller introduced legislation (SB 847 "Emergency Vehicles Proceeding Past Red Lights") because of an accident on Feb. 12, 2008 when Mt. Vernon area teacher's assistant Ashley McIntosh was accidentally killed by a Fairfax county police officer responding to an emer

SEE RESPONSE, PAGE 23

Traffic Study Sought

At the June 23 meeting of the Mt. Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations, Supervisor Gerald Hyland reported that he asked the Board of Supervisors to request county staff to obtain traffic data on the level of activity known as the North Gateway of Fairfax County in the Mt. Vernon District — the intersection of Woodrow Wilson Bridge, Richmond Highway, Huntington Avenue, Old Richmond Highway, and Fort Hunt Road.

The purpose is to assist the county board in making decisions on several south county Area Plan Review (APR) nominations to the Comprehensive Plan.

Hyland called attention to his already approved request of the board for a traffic study on Huntington Avenue. He pointed out that the two studies together will inform the community and county decision makers on appropriate densities and transportation management goals.

Also at the meeting, the Mt. Vernon Council passed a resolution supporting a rezoning application — combining two parcels into a single one, and increasing density — to establish the Inova Lorton Health Plex, outpatient medical services clinic and doctor's offices. There were no council votes against the resolution.

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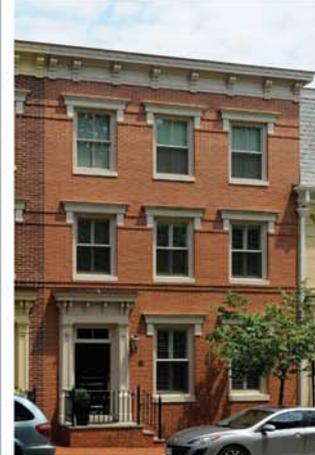
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League Names Surovell '2010 Conservation Hero'

Del. Scott Surovell was acknowledged as a "2010 Conservation Hero" by the Virginia League of Conservation Voters in recognition of his support of conservation issues during the 2010 legislative session.

Surovell was one of 18 delegates to receive a 100 percent rating from the VALCV, which was founded in 2000 as a non-partisan political voice for the Commonwealth's conservation community.

Surovell's rating reflects his votes on issues ranging from air quality to off-shore oil drilling. House Bill 833, introduced by Surovell was one of the pieces of legislation VALCV used in its scoring. Home energy audits are increasing in popularity due to heightened awareness, increased energy costs, and government incentives to encourage home energy efficiency, but there are currently no government standards regarding what constitutes a home energy audit or any standards governing the profession. HB 833 created a system of regulation for home energy auditors and was supported by both industry and conservation groups.

Drama Seminar To Lead To July 8 Performance

The Mount Vernon High School Drama Boosters is holding a one-day Masters Seminar for Professional Theatre for area students 12-18 years old. Sixteen Mount Vernon students have registered for the seminar which includes the performance of an original one act musical comedy. The performance is open to the public.

During the morning session, students will receive intensive training on theatrical voice projection, dominant stage presence, professional stage blocking and techniques to build the fourth wall with the audience.

Director and seminar instructor, Paul McKellips, is now writing a customized one-act musical comedy called, "On Tap," which is in the tradition of the English farce. Once students have mastered the morning seminar instruction they will receive the script for the first time in the early afternoon on the day of the performance. They will have six hours to rehearse, block and build a set before the evening curtain goes up.

The performance, open to the public with complimentary tickets are available at the door, will be held 7-8 p.m., Thursday, July 8, at the Mount Vernon High School Theatre.

Library To Reopen July 10

The renovated Martha Washington Library, a branch of the Fairfax County Public Library, will celebrate its reopening on Saturday, July 10, with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 2 p.m. The branch is located at 6614 Fort Hunt Road. Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairman Sharon Bulova, Mount Vernon District Supervisor Gerald W. Hyland and Library Director Edwin "Sam" Clay III will speak at the ceremony.

A special guest during reopening day will be Martha Washington (interpreted by Mary Wiseman). Storyteller Gary Lloyd will present Dragon Tales at noon and Mutts Gone Nuts will perform at 3 p.m. The activities are sponsored by the Fairfax Library Foundation and Friends of Martha Washington Library.

Martha Washington Library started as a storefront in 1954. The current building opened in 1969. It was the third library to be established in Fairfax County. The renovation expanded the facility from 10,220 square feet to 16,663 square feet. It has 24 public computers, and meeting space for group study, quiet study and community groups. The large meeting room has a capacity for 142 and can be divided into two smaller meeting spaces. The building was designed by Ritter Architects.

The Martha Washington Library renovation was funded through the 2004 Bond referendum at a cost of \$7,310,000.

NEWS

Route 1's Aviation History

Mount Vernon area was home to not one, but two, airports.

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE
THE GAZETTE

Mount Vernon residents only have to drive a few miles up the George Washington Parkway to catch the closest commercial flight out of the metropolitan area now.

The Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport is less than an hour away, even in rush hour traffic. Locals may also choose to fly out of the region's largest airport, Dulles International, on the other side of Fairfax County in Chantilly.

But back in the middle of the 20th century, Richmond Highway was the hot bed of aviation activity for Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia. Most people living in the Mount Vernon area could have walked to the closest airplane runway, according to local historians.

By the 1930s, two airports had opened on the Route 1 corridor between the City of Alexandria and the Mount Vernon estate. Only one other airport, located on the site of the current Pentagon building, was fully operational in the region.

At the time, Fairfax County's local elected officials lobbied for the larger of the two Richmond Highway facilities, called Hybla Valley Airport, to become Washington's transatlantic hub of air travel. But the site eventually lost out to an Arlington County location on the Potomac River, where National Airport opened in the 1940s.

Dulles airport didn't open until years later, in 1962. "Hybla Valley was the first licensed airport in Vir-



PHOTO BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE/THE GAZETTE

Harry Lehman and wife Anna Marie Hicks led efforts to get a historical marker erected on the site of the old Beacon Field Airport in the Richmond Highway corridor.

ginia," said Anna Marie Hicks, who has researched the local history of airports with her husband Harry Lehman.

THE COUPLE has focused most of its energy on the
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Truck Flips Over on Fort Hunt Road

BY GALE CURCIO
THE GAZETTE

Jesse Vergara crawled out of this Postal Service truck after it flipped over on Friday afternoon, June 18, at the intersection of Fort Hunt and Plymouth Roads. It is believed that he was wearing his seatbelt.

Sixty-years-old, Vergara was taken to the hospital by ambulance. The 81-year-old woman driving a brown Grand Marquis who collided with the truck was taken home by the police.

Lt. Michael Proffitt said, "In a nutshell, we had a postal truck going south on Fort Hunt Road. It was stopped delivering mail, and then tried to go back out into traffic and cut in front of another vehicle. The two vehicles impacted and ended up on the opposite side of the road. The truck hit the edge of the road and turned over. The driver of the postal vehicle was held at fault."

Bob Hurd, who lives across the street from where the accident



PHOTO BY GALE CURCIO/THE GAZETTE

Postal Service mail carrier crawled out of this truck after a collision with a Grand Marquis.

occurred, said, "It's an awful place. I see them [accidents] all the time. There's the bus stop and the second lane. People pass on the right or left and as they are passing, they pick up speed.

"An older woman hit him dead center, he climbed out of truck and they put him on the stretcher."

Shakeel Khan, manager, Cus-

tomer Services, said that Vergara suffered two fractured ribs and was later released from the hospital.

"It will depend on the doctor's release, when he gets back to work," Khan said.

Gale Curcio is an independent writer and public relations consultant in Mount Vernon.

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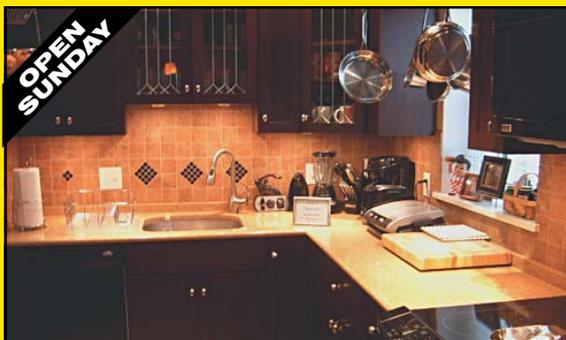
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CRIME

Activities reported by the Mt. Vernon police department through June 25.

ASSAULT

A man cut a 20-year-old woman with a knife around 2:40 a.m. on Saturday, June 19 in the 7500 block of Fordson Road. The suspect fled with another man on foot south on Fordson Road. The victim was driven to the hospital by a passerby and treated for non life-threatening injuries. The suspect was described as black, about 5 feet 4 inches tall and 190 pounds. He had shoulder-length corn rows, a light moustache and hair on his cheeks.

ROBBERY

A 46-year-old man was robbed by two men in the area of Richmond Highway and Mohawk Lane around 1:30 a.m. on Monday, June 21. The suspects assaulted the victim, stole his wallet and fled on foot. They were described as black, about 5 feet 9 inches tall, with thin builds and short hair. The suspect did not require medical attention.

Police are investigating a robbery

that occurred in the 6300 block of South Kings Highway on Friday, June 11. A man and woman, both 28, were home with their 1-year-old baby around 6:44 p.m. when the man answered a knock at the door. A woman engaged him in conversation then two men appeared and assaulted him. At least two of the suspects entered the home, one of them brandishing a gun. They took cell phones from the home and fled. The suspects were described as black. The woman was between 25 and 35 years old and about 5 feet 3 inches tall. She was wearing a light-colored shirt and blue jeans. The victims did not require medical attention. Anyone with information is asked to contact Crime Solvers by phone at 1-866-411-TIPS/8477, e-mail at www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org or text "TIP187" plus a message to CRIMES/274637 or call Fairfax County Police at 703-691-2131.

ASSAULT OF A FAMILY OR HOUSE

HOLD MEMBER/ARREST

Police arrested a woman for allegedly assaulting her 27-year-old boyfriend on Monday, June 21 around 10:27 a.m. near the intersection of Richmond Highway and Woodlawn Road. A 21-year-old female of the 9100 block of Richmond Highway in Alexandria, was taken to jail and charged with assault of a family or household member.

BURGLARY

The Dollar Outlet store, 8254 Richmond Highway, was burglarized on Saturday, June 12 around 3 a.m. A man broke into the store and stole an undisclosed amount of cash. He was described as white, wearing blue jeans, white sneakers and a dark-colored, hooded sweat shirt with white writing on the back.

BURGLARY OF AN

OCCUPIED DWELLING

A home in the 7800 block of Ashton St. was burglarized around 4 a.m. on Saturday, June 12. A 40-year-old man was asleep inside the home at the time of the burglary. An investigation determined the victim's wallet was stolen. The suspect was described as Hispanic, between 20 and 30 years old, 5 feet 6 inches to 5 feet 7 inches tall and about 160 pounds.

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Wounded Warriors in Transition participate in a kayak outing on Pohick Bay last week, from left, front row kneeling: SFC Eric Bryant, SGT William Thomas, SGT Aaron Chichester, SPC Benjamin Lawrence, SPC Vincent Dimarco; back row, standing, 1Sgt Danny Rael, SSG Gabor Nap, SPC Kenneth Trease, SFC Celia Hodge, SPC Alexander Stilwell, 1 Lt. J. Scott Crawford (Cadre) Executive Officer, Warrior Transition Unit, Ft. Belvoir.

Recovering Soldiers on Kayak Trip

Wellness Opportunities for Warriors program provides therapeutic recreation.

Evan Braff, Fairfax County's project manager for the Operation WOW (Wellness Opportunities for Warriors) program and the supervisor of the financial assistance grant which gave the county the seed money to launch the program, reports on its progress.

How many senior volunteers are now helping?

Eight, with eight more committed for the fall. Our goal is to recruit and train 30. Volunteer mentors are needed to market the program, recruit volunteers, and to accompany soldiers on structured recreation experiences such as golf outings and kayak trips.

What kind of donations (in-kind or cash) are you looking for in the near future?

How To Help

Want to contribute as an individual or corporate sponsor, or to apply to become a volunteer mentor?
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There is an immediate need for cash donations to purchase recreation vouchers for use by the soldiers opting to have access to park authority recreation facilities. Also, we would like to see members of the business community serve as corporate sponsors and Steering Committee participants. To date we have given out 68 recreation vouchers to injured soldiers who wish to participate informally in recreation facilities. A total of 137 injured soldiers are now in the Warriors in Transition rehabilitation unit at Fort Belvoir. Eventually the unit is expected to assist 400 injured soldiers in recovering from their injuries.

At the heart of the program is the participation of local area senior citizens who are military veterans willing to volunteer as mentors.

— GERALD A. FILL



Kiwanis Scholarships

At the Awards Assembly at Mount Vernon High School on June 17, Mount Vernon Kiwanis Club (MVKC) President Bruce Malkin presented three students (Brittany Pruitt, Rabia Javed Edom Seifu) who are leaders of the school's Kiwanis Key Club with scholarships ranging from \$750-1500 for use during their first year at college. These scholarships to Key Club leaders sponsored by the MVKC are in addition to the two each that were already awarded this year to Key Club students at West Potomac High School (Michael Lagana and Sandra Vargas) and South County Secondary School (Stephen Kim and Lauren Boudreau).

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OPINION

Summer Fun, Safely

Enjoy your summer fun, including our features on places to go with great beer selections, but plan ahead; SoberRide needs more sponsors.

This week's Gazette includes Summer Fun pages, with information about waterparks, local baseball and golf, places to watch the remaining weeks of World Cup Soccer, highlights of coming Independence Day events and, yes, a map of places to go that offer great beer selection. Enjoy.

By week's end, you'll find the listings and stories from all of our papers online at www.ConnectionNewspapers.com under Summer Fun.

That said, we know that Independence Day, like Halloween and Saint Patrick's Day, is a holiday that coincides with a higher rate of drinking and driving. When you head out for your celebration, plan ahead, arrange for a designated driver, or choose to abstain if a designated driver isn't available.

One safety net for those who might find themselves in the unfortunate position of drinking without a safe way home is the Washington Regional Alcohol Program SoberRide. Washington Regional Alcohol Program (WRAP), has offered free cab rides home on the Independence Day beginning at 10 p.m. July 4 and continuing until 6 a.m. the following day as a way to keep local roads safe from impaired drivers during this traditionally high-risk, holiday period. During this 12-hour period, area residents celebrating with alcohol could call the toll-free SoberRide phone number 1-800-200-TAXI and be afforded a no-cost (up to a \$ 50 fare), safe way home.

Founded in 1982, WRAP is a public-private partnership working to prevent drunk driving and underage drinking in the Washington-metropolitan area, but its work is endangered

at by the county supervisors or other administrative group.

Andrew Schoenewolf
Mount Vernon

Drain Needed

To the Editor:

Regarding the article by Gale Curcio in the June 17, 2010, Mount Vernon Gazette, "House Bought to Stop Flooding."

by a combination of growing ridership on key holidays and a drop in funding. At presstime, the organization was counting up donations to be sure they would be able to offer the service this year.

Last Independence Day, 331 people in the Washington-metropolitan area used the area's SoberRide program as opposed to possibly driving home drunk.

A 60 percent increase in use of the program since 2008 combined with a 35 percent decrease in corporate underwriting is threatening the free cab ride service to prevent drunk driving.

Behind SoberRide's services is a three-person charitable organization (WRAP) paying a projected \$73,000 in cab fares this year alone. WRAP relies on corporate sponsorship to offset these costs, but the recent downturn has contributed to the drop in funding.

WRAP is actively seeking contributors to bridge SoberRide's \$31,000 shortfall.

Call 800-200-TAXI for a free carbide (up to \$50 fare) home if you need it on July 4.

See www.wrap.org for sponsorship opportunities and information on how to contribute.

As a 17-year resident of East Boulevard Drive and neighbor of the Conways, I have watched storm water flood our backyards dozens of times. Contrary to what the Park Service believes, it is not the Conway's pool that is the primary cause of the flooding. The majority of the problem is that all the runoff water from a quarter-mile of East Boulevard north of Collingwood Road funnels into a single Fairfax County storm drain in the backyard of a house on West Boulevard Drive south of Collingwood Road. That drain is undersized for the runoff of major storms, and the grade between the drain and Conway's backyard is practically nil. At the point where the runoff emerges from under the southbound parkway, the elevation is slightly below the drain resulting in water pooling at times. The Park Service money would have been better used putting in a large, sloped drain pipe from East Boulevard Drive to the river than in putting the Conways out of their home.

Charles Holliman
Alexandria

Infill: Zoning Is Key

To the Editor:

The letter in response to my recent letter to the editor confuses subdivision with zoning. According to Virginia law, a recorded subdivision plat is immune from zoning for a period of 5 years (Code of Virginia §15.2-2261 C), that is, after 5 years zoning controls. Over 25 years ago, Fairfax County elected officials adopted a zoning ordinance, which zoned Hollin Hall Village an R-3 District (three houses per acre). Thus, when the Voorhees purchased their home in 1988, the two subdivision lots had become one zoned lot based on this statute (law) and the 1978 Fairfax County Zoning Ordinance.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sidewalks on Fort Hunt Road

To the Editor:

Today I would like to talk to you about an issue that is very important to me. There are very few sidewalks along Fort Hunt Road. This makes it difficult to walk or bike down the street. I cannot easily travel to my friend's house or to the stores along the road. It would be very helpful if we could get this issue looked



New Kiwanis Members Air Force Major Reid Novotny and his wife, Lauren, were inducted June 16 by Mount Vernon Kiwanis Club Secretary Joanne Malkin, at right, and Mount Vernon Kiwanis Club President, Bruce Malkin, at left. Both of the Novotnys were active in their high school Kiwanis Key Clubs and Reid was also a member of the GWU CKI Club. The Mount Vernon Kiwanis Club was founded in 1953, and is a partner with the largest charities in this area. To learn more about membership, visit www.mtvernonvakiwanis.org.

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No court has invalidated the written law (§15.2-2261), nor has any court expressly overruled the BZA's unanimous motion in the Concerned Citizens of Hollin Hall Village's BZA appeal that expressly stated: "This property was zoned to the R-3 District at some point in the past. It is still R-3, and nothing we're going to do is going to change that. These properties would all remain subject to all of the requirements in the R-3 District if somebody's going to build a house on them." (Page 492, lines 32-34 of the BZA record, emphasis provided). The Supreme Court of Virginia upheld the BZA's motion including the above zoning requirements language.

The Board of Supervisors who enacted the 1978 Fairfax County Zoning Ordinance provided a mandatory definition to clearly define "lot" differently in the Zoning Ordinance from the subdivision sense of the word. The word "lot" in each zoning regulation is defined as:

A parcel of land that is designated at the time of application of ... a Building Permit, ..., as a tract all of which is to be used, developed or built upon as a unit under single ownership. A parcel of land shall be deemed a lot in accordance with this definition, regardless of whether or not the boundaries thereof coincide with the boundaries of lots or parcels as shown on any map of record.

That is, the subdivision lots shown on old recorded plats (or maps of record) are not zoned lots. This is consistent with the Code

of Virginia law (§15.2-2261 C). According to the written regulations of the Fairfax County Zoning Ordinance, lot width (80 feet minimum), lot area (10,500 square feet minimum) and density (no greater than 3 houses per acre) should be followed in Hollin Hall Village.

Section 58.1-3285 of the Virginia Code mandates that "each lot in a subdivision shall be assessed and shown separately upon the land books." The Voorhees' tax records assessing both platted subdivision lots together prove that the Voorhees have only one lot in Hollin Hall Village.

Catherine M. Voorhees

A Year of Many Successes

To the Editor:

The following is an open letter to the Mount Vernon High School community.

On behalf of the administration, faculty and staff at Mount Vernon High School, I would like to thank you for your continued support of the Mount Vernon High School. We had a great year with many successes.

Our teachers and support staff worked tirelessly to give our students the outstanding education they deserve.

Our students stepped up and finished the year strong. We graduated 381 seniors who are off to rule the world in their very own special way. Graduation was a wonderful event with outstanding student speakers

and a graduation speaker who asked us to ask: "How may I help?" We wish them the very best and congratulate their families for their accomplishments. You can view the graduation video at <http://mtvernonmajors.wordpress.com/> or go to our webpage and click the link at the top of the page. A special thanks to the volunteers who made this effort so parents who are serving overseas can watch their children graduate.

We thank the many parents who volunteered this year through our supportive parent organizations and look forward to more participation next year. Your time spent serving our students and staff is very much appreciated.

This summer, the entire Mount Vernon High School, faculty, staff and student body will be reading what we consider a very important and timely book, "Three Cups of Tea" by Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin. The book follows Mortenson's evolution from mountain climber to humanitarian and illustrates the power of one individual to change the lives of many. We believe this book will inspire everyone who reads it. You should have received a summer reading packet from me in the mail. If you need another copy of the packet, please let me know.

Our summer office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 - 2:30. New student registrations must be done by appointment. Please call 703-619-3112 if an appointment

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Best Ranger Competition

Col. Christopher Argo, a 1979 graduate of Mount Vernon High School, recently competed in the 27th Annual David E. Grange Jr. Best Ranger Competition in the U.S. Army. The Best Ranger Competition covers more than 60 miles in 60 hours with various events in a marathon style "Ranger Olympics" that includes running, marching, swimming, obstacle courses, marksmanship, orienteering, and basic Ranger skills events like parachute jumps, rappelling and first aid.

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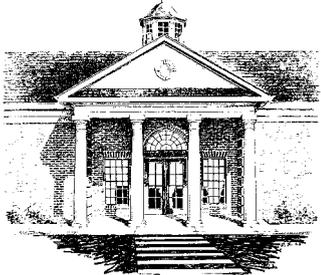
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'Forte' Years of Service

Saying Farewell to a Mount Vernon High School icon.

BY DYLAN YEP
THE GAZETTE

Surrounded by family, friends, and colleagues, Bernie Forte said goodbye to the only career he had ever known. It was a bittersweet event as well wishers helped close a chapter in the life of a remarkable man.

Forty years serving in the Fairfax County Public School system, 22 years as Mount Vernon Public School's director of student activities, 100 district championships as athletic director and two-time cross country coach of the year are just a few of Bernie Forte's accomplishments since he began working for the school system in 1970.

While those numbers alone could explain why more than 30 of his friends, family members and co-workers showed up at Mount Vernon Country Club last Friday to celebrate Forte's retirement, they don't tell the whole story.

Tony Garza, assistant athletic director of Mount Vernon High School, described Forte as "a walking manual of public school policies and regulations. Working with him, if I ever need a question answered regarding school activities, I don't resort to the manual. I go straight to him. He knows everything by heart."

While Garza considered Forte's experience invaluable, he most appreciated Forte for a quality that had little to do with rules and regulations. "One thing I enjoy most about Bernie that a lot of people don't see is his sense of humor. There were times in the office I'd be at my desk bent over laughing as hard as I can, tears from my eyes." He added, "A lot of people don't get to see the other side of him and the man is com-



PHOTOS BY DYLAN YEP/THE GAZETTE
Following his speech, B.J. Forte hugs his father Bernie Forte.

pletely funny. Our job is very stressful at times and he can walk in and he'll do something just to lighten the load. He'll just do something to make you feel better."

Garza concluded, "I guess the thing about Bernie was that he wasn't just my boss, he was a good friend to me also, and that's one thing I probably cherish the most — his friendship."

ALTHOUGH FEW had as close of a working and personal relationship as Garza did with Forte, Garza's feelings reflected those of his co-workers. "I'm just very sad he's retiring because I've learned so much from him over the past two years and I want to continue learning more from him." "He's the type of person that does whatever is required to get the job done. Even though he's the director of the program, he's outside with coaches, he's working with us, he'll do what's needed, said Gloria Adams, who has worked for Forte for the last three years.

Berkeley McHugh, the department chair for career and technical education added, "he's wonderful to work for, unendingly patient, always very supportive ... fiercely loyal."

The event featured speeches by Forte's family and friends all reminiscing about Forte and their many experiences with him. Some speakers had known him for decades such as former Mount Vernon High School student activities director, Bruce Patrick, and Forte's own son, B.J.; while others, like McHugh, had only worked with Forte for a year.

FOLLOWING HIS GRADUATION from University of Miami in 1969, Forte began

teaching physical education at Weyanoke Elementary School in Fairfax County. In 1979, he began coaching track and field and cross country at Annandale High School. In addition to his consecutive cross country coach of the year awards, he led his team to six district championships in track and field and nine consecutive district championships in cross country. He also tacked on two regional runner ups, two regional championships, four state runner-ups finishes, and one state championship.

From 1980-1988, he began teaching health and physical education, driver's education, chaired the physical education department, and was the assistant director of student activities at Annandale High School. In 1988, he was hired as the director of student activities at Mount Vernon High School.

To put his 40-year career in perspective, Forte recalled an encounter with a former student around 1998.

"A young lady found me in the stands and said 'Mr. Forte, how are you?' so I looked at her and she was probably in her 40s. She said 'remember me?' I said 'no'. She said 'Squeaky!' I said 'Squeaky?'" He explained, "well I started my career at Weyanoke Elementary where I taught students and I used to give them nicknames. Well her nickname 30 years ago was 'Squeaky.' She remembered 'Squeaky' and now she had two kids who are at Mount Vernon High School in their teens."

Following the speeches, Mount Vernon High School principal Nardis King made a gift presentation. She expressed her admiration for Forte and thanked him for fostering the "culture of excellence" that exists at the high school. King presented Forte with a picture frame with messages from his colleagues at Mount Vernon High School



Tony Garza, Mount Vernon High School assistant athletic director, has worked closely with Forte over the past five years.



Mount Vernon High School Principal Nardis King presented a number of gifts to Bernie Forte and delivered the closing remarks.

and inducted him into the Mount Vernon High School Athletic Hall of Fame — a project Forte pioneered. Forte was the first person inducted as the project is not expected to induct its first full class of members until next year.

After the presentation, Forte expressed his gratitude for the time he spent in the Fairfax County Public School system. "It's been a wonderful place to work. The people, the friends, the colleagues, I've met over the years have been tremendous. The people in the Fairfax county community have been tremendous."

Reflecting on his 40 years of his experience with students and families, Forte said, "Be supportive of your son or daughter but also understand it's a shared experience between school and parents at home. Folks at school are there for your children, but it has to be a supportive environment for both parents and students."



Bernie Forte has been working for Fairfax County Public Schools since 1970.

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July Storytelling Sessions at Historic Mount Vernon

Children enter a world of fantasy and fables when costumed interpreters weave three tales together during Mount Vernon's storytelling session, "Once Upon a Time at Mount Vernon," held every Saturday and Sunday at 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. in July. Storytelling sessions will take place in the Hands-On History Room in the Donald W. Reynolds Education Center. "Harvest" is the theme for July's storytelling sessions. During the 20-minute session, children learn Aesop's fables and listen to stories about George Washington's life! The storytelling program is recommended for children ages three to eight. Parental supervision is required. "Once Upon a Time at Mount Vernon" is included in regular Estate admission: adults, \$15; youth ages 6-11, \$7; and children under 5 are admitted free.

Events, programs, and activities are subject to change.

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Summer Fun



The 25 meter x 25 yard Mount Vernon RECenter indoor pool is a great place to escape the summer heat.

Summer Respite at the RECenter

The Mount Vernon RECenter offers a 25-meter heated indoor pool, poolside spa, a beach and play area for children, locker rooms with showers and sauna, a fitness center, dance room, multi-purpose rooms and an indoor ice arena open year round. The RECenter offers a variety of classes for all ages including hockey, skating, swimming and fitness. All facilities can be rented out for parties.

The RECenter is open Mondays-Thursdays 6 a.m.-9 p.m.; Fridays 6 a.m.-7 p.m.; Saturdays 7 a.m.-7 p.m.; Sundays 8 a.m.-6 p.m. On Saturdays and Sundays the pool opens one hour after the facility. Located at 2017 Belle View Boulevard in Alexandria. For more information, call 703-768-3224 or visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/rec/mvrec.htm>.

Mount Vernon Kicks Off the Summer Season

Historic Mount Vernon began its summer schedule by welcoming visitors an hour earlier, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., making it one of the few early-opening attractions in the Washington, D.C., area. For visitors looking to save a few "Washingtons" this year, Mount Vernon is offering special money-saving admission packages now through Oct. 31.

The George Washington: Pioneer Farmer site and George Washington's Distillery & Gristmill is now officially opened. This includes Potomac River sightseeing cruises, special walking tours on slave life and gardens, and a daily tribute at the tomb of George and Martha Washington. All activities at Mount Vernon are included in admission with the exception of the Distillery & Gristmill and sightseeing cruises, which require an additional fee. Go to Visit.MountVernon.org for more information.

Three money-saving admission packages will be available beginning now through Oct. 31: The Farmer (\$21/adult, \$12/youth), The Commander (\$17/adult, \$8.50/youth), and The President (\$28/adult, \$16/youth). Regular admission to the Estate is \$15 for adults; \$7 for youth ages 6-11; and free for children five and younger.

♦ The Farmer package includes admission to the Estate and George Washington's Distillery & Gristmill for a savings of \$2 dollars per adult and \$.50 per child.

♦ The Commander package includes admission to the Estate, George Washington's Distillery & Gristmill, and an audio tour for a savings \$4 per adult and \$3 per youth.

♦ The President package, available Tuesday through Sunday only, includes admission to the Estate, George Washington's Distillery & Gristmill, audio tour, sightseeing cruise, and 10% off at The Shops for a savings of \$6 per adult and \$4 per youth.

♦ Add a guidebook to any package for \$6 and save another "Washington."

Visit the George Washington: Pioneer Farmer site Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to ride in a wagon pulled by Mount Vernon's livestock.

Daily tours of slave life and gardens enrich the visitor experience by providing in-depth knowledge of these fascinating subjects during 30-minute guided walking tours. Slave Life at Mount Vernon explores the lives and contributions of the slaves who lived at Mount Vernon at 11 a.m. The Garden and Landscape Tour highlights Washington's creative design for his gardens at 2 p.m.

On the River

Potomac River sightseeing cruises offer a refreshing opportunity to explore Mount Vernon from a different view with a 40-minute narrated excursion aboard the Spirit of Mount Vernon or Miss Christin Tuesday through Sunday at 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Tickets for sightseeing cruises are \$9 for adults and \$5 for children (6-11) in addition to Estate admission. Children ages 5 and under are free. Go to Visit.MountVernon.org for sightseeing cruise schedules.



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On the Water

Youth sailing classes are offered through the summer at Washington Sailing Marina and Belle Haven Marina. For information on the Washington Sailing Marina on Daingerfield Island, visit www.washingtonsailingmarina.com For information on the classes held at the Belle Haven Marina, visit www.saildc.com.

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FRIDAY AFTERNOONS

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THURSDAY/JULY 1

Barbara Efron's Storytime Express. 4 p.m. For ages 3 and up. At the Burke Branch Library, 4701 Seminary Road, Alexandria. Call 703-746-1704.

Robinson Lee Earle with Sara Mosher. 7-9 p.m. Free. Robinson Lee Earle plays finger-style post-folk. On back-up vocals and hand percussion is Sara Mosher. This performance will be presented in conjunction with CrisisLink, a local crisis prevention hotline. At Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Alexandria. Call 703-838-4565, www.torpedofactory.org.

FRIDAY/JULY 2

The English Channel (British Music from 60's and 70's). 7:30-8:30 p.m. Free. The English Channel authentically recreates British music from the mid '60s to the mid '70s. Every song they play sold millions of records in its day. Tune in to The Channel to go back to where you once belonged. At Grist Mill Park, 4710 Mt. Vernon Memorial Hwy., Alexandria. Call 703-324-SHOW (7469). Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances

SATURDAY/JULY 3

Alexandria Art Market. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. A variety of original artwork from over 20 artists will be displayed for sale including painting, photography, pottery, jewelry, and glasswork. At the Nicholas A. Colasanto Park, adjoining the Del Ray Artisans Gallery, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave., Alexandria (corner of Commonwealth Avenue and Mount Vernon Avenue). Contact Kimberley Bush at 703-627-7656 or email DRA.AlexandriaArtMarket@gmail.com.

Teddy Bear Parade. 10 a.m. to noon. Children should dress themselves and their teddy bear (or favorite stuffed toy) as a figure in American history. Children ages 3 and up may participate. Participants can enter one of two age groups: ages 3-6 and 7-11. Three winners (1st, 2nd, and 3rd) will be selected in each age group. Admission is \$5/child marching in the parade. Register now by calling 703-548-1789. Visit www.leefendallhouse.org. At the Lee-Fendall House Museum & Garden.

Villamay Fourth of July Parade and Celebration. 10 a.m. Neighbors will gather in front of the home of Marjorie and David Spires at 7302 Admiral Drive, Alexandria, for drinks and a sing-a-long. Children will be present with bikes and scooters decorated. A parade will begin around 10:30 a.m. will end at the Belle Vista-Admiral Drive cul-de-sac with a visit from an ice cream truck and a fire truck.

SUNDAY/JULY 4

Summer Chamber Music Series. 3 p.m. Free. Pianist Alexander Beresovsky performing works by Schumann, Scriabin and Chopin. At the Lyceum, 201 S. Washington Street, Alexandria.

Organ Fireworks, Hot Dogs & Lemonade. 11:30 a.m. Douglas A. Beck, music director, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, presents a Fourth of July concert. At St. Paul's Episcopal Old Town, 228 South Pitt Street, Alexandria. Call 703-549-3312.

Mount Vernon Fireworks. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Made-for-daytime smoke fireworks fired over the Potomac River. Concert, cake, demonstrations by First Virginia Regiment and more. Admission is \$15/adults; \$7/children.



SUNDAY/JULY 25

Demonstration Game Day. Noon to 5 p.m. Free. Miniature wargaming simulates historical or hypothetical battles on a table top of simulated terrain (hills, woods, streams, and buildings), using miniature soldiers and vehicles depicting the opponents. Popular periods in historical miniatures wargaming include the Napoleonic age, the American Civil War, Ancients, and WWII. Seven to nine games will start the top of every hour. These short, one-hour, beginner-friendly games introduce the games and teach the basics. Everything is provided. At Eagle & Empire Game & Hobby Shop, 6468 Landsdowne Center, Alexandria. Email michael.burmeister@us.army.mil or 703-328-1401. Visit the store's website is http://eagle-and-empire.com.

At Historic Mount Vernon. Go to Visit.MountVernon.org.

A Walk to Remember Our Children.

8 a.m. For families who have lost a child of any age or cause. Starts at Crystal City Hyatt Regency Hotel, Arlington. Sponsored by The Compassionate Friends, a national support organization that helps families reach a positive resolution of their grief. Call Susan Johnson at 301-949-2158. Registration is \$20 for the walk.

Independence Day Worship. 9:30 a.m. St. James' Episcopal and Epiphany Lutheran Churches invite the Mount Vernon community to a combined worship service. The service will include Holy Communion and Patriotic Music featuring a special guest soloist, Katherine Oros. Pastor Brent Thalacker will be officiating at St. James' Episcopal Church, 5614 Old Mill Road. Following the service all will walk down to Epiphany Lutheran Church (5521 Old Mill Road) for a pie, ice-cream and a fireworks celebration. Call 703-780-3081 or visit www.stjamesmv.org.

MONDAY/JULY 5

Expressions: An Exhibit Celebrating Active Aging and the Arts. 7 p.m. At the opening, adult guests will be free to view the art, sip cocktails and sample Washington House signature menu items. Washington House residents will showcase their artistic creations in a variety of media while local judges select "best of show" pieces to be entered into a nationwide competition amongst residents of 26 communities managed by Tucson-based Watermark Retirement Communities. Finalists will be featured in the company's "Expressions" calendar. Guests are welcome to attend by calling 703-845-5000. At the Fountains at Washington House, 5100 Fillmore Ave., Alexandria.

TUESDAY/JULY 6

Catherine's Ring. 6 to 8 p.m. Free. Talk on a Historic Link to Our First President. Historian Richard Klingenmaier will discuss how the discovery of a gold memorial ring has served to focus a new light on the momentous events surrounding the death of George Washington. At Morrison House, 116 South Alfred Street, Alexandria. Visit www.morrisonhouse.com or call 703-838-8000.

JULY 6 THROUGH AUG. 10

Zenery's Summer Yoga for Teens.

Tuesdays from 5:45 to 6:30 p.m. At Nativity Lutheran Church, 1300 Collingwood Road, Alexandria. Cost is \$10/class. Drop in anytime. Bring a yoga mat and water (mats are available for \$10). Contact instructor Susan Doyle at zenery.yoga@cox.net or call 703-933-1986.

WEDNESDAY/JULY 7

Swing Dancing. 9 to 11 p.m. Cost is \$6. With DJ Dance Party with DJ Dabe Murphy. At Nick's Nightclub, 641 South Pickett Street, Alexandria.

Musical Bingo Party. 1-3 p.m. Free. Prizes and refreshments. At the Hermitage Senior Center, 5000 Fairbanks Ave., Alexandria. Call 703-797-3815 to reserve a seat.

Salsa at Sunset — an Evening of Edibles. 6:30-8 p.m. \$16. Learn how to grow and cook with different kinds of peppers from kitchen gardener, Cindy Brown. You and fellow enthusiasts will sample delectable garden treats and then take a pepper to grow in your own garden. At Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria. Call 703-642-5173 to register. Visit www.greenspring.org.

THURSDAY/JULY 8

Healthy Relationships Group. 3-4:30 p.m. Teen girls ages 13 and 17, are invited to join a group to talk about healthy relationships, self-esteem and more every Thursday for 6 weeks starting July 8 from 3pm - 4:30pm at Duncan Library. Contact Jennifer.Hemmick@alexandriava.gov or call 703-746-5030.

Masters Seminar for Professional Theatre. 7 to 8 p.m. Sixteen Mount Vernon students have registered for the seminar which includes the performance of an original one act musical comedy. The performance is open to the public. For students ages 12-18. At Mount Vernon High School Theater, 8515 Old Mount Vernon Road, Alexandria.

JULY 8-17

"Zero Hour." Directed by Zina Bleck, featuring James E. Mitchell III. Set in theatre legend Zero Mostel's painting studio on West 28th Street, a naïve reporter attempts to interview the famously volatile artist, prompting an explosion of memory, humor, outrage and juicy backstage lore. July 8, 9, 10,

15, 16, 17, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$15/general; \$10/students, seniors. At The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington Street, Alexandria. Information/Reservations: 703-615-6626.

FRIDAY/JULY 9

Pie Tasters (Ska). 7:30-8:30 p.m. At Grist Mill Park, 4710 Mt. Vernon Memorial Hwy., Alexandria. Call 703-324-SHOW (7469). Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances.

Inside North Korea. 7 p.m. A National Geographic documentary film hosted by Lisa Ling (sister of detained American journalist, Laura Ling) presented and discussed by representatives of LiNK (Liberty in North Korea.) Resistance, ideology, brainwashing, and survival all interwoven in the film. Chapel at the Mt. Vernon Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Lane, Alexandria. Donations accepted. Refreshments. 703-721-0595 or gpourchot@yahoo.com .

SATURDAY/JULY 10

Annual USA & City Birthday Celebration. 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. Free. The City of Alexandria will celebrate its 261st and the USA's 234th birthday. At Oronoco Bay Park, 100 Madison St., on the Potomac River between Fairfax, Pendleton, and Madison Streets. Visit www.alexandriava.gov/Recreation or call 704-746-5418.

"Harlem's Mart 125: The American Dream" Film Screening. 4:30 p.m. Free. Part of "Movies with a Mission." At the Alexandria Black History Museum, 902 Wythe St., Alexandria. Visit www.alexblackhistory.org or call 703-746-4356.

U.S. Army Band. 6 p.m. Free. The 257th Army Band will perform patriotic music, marches and entertainment. At Oronoco Bay Park, Alexandria. Go to www.257armyband.com or call 202-685-7899.

Botany for Gardeners. 9:30-11:30 a.m. \$18. Enhance your ability to identify plants. Under Mary Olien's guidance, we will use lectures and live samples to explore basic concepts of plant classification and plant anatomy, key elements in plant identification. At Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria. Call 703-642-5173 to register. Visit www.greenspring.org.

National Capital Daylily Show. Come in to see some unusual varieties of these summer beauties. Their flower forms will dazzle you. Daylilies available for sale. At Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria. Call 703-642-5173 for more information. Visit www.greenspring.org.

Antigua and Barbuda Masquerade Symposium. 1 to 3 p.m. Free. The Alexandria Black History Museum and Kemet Technologies are presenting a panel discussion exploring the aesthetics of Jumbie in Caribbean Carnival celebrations. ("Jumbie" refers to a spiritual being in the likeness of a person who has died.) Call 703-746-4356 for reservations or more information. Visit www.alexblackhistory.org.

SUNDAY/JULY 11

Fest-Ability Picnic. 1-4 p.m. This annual event, sponsored by the Virginia Ability Alliance (VAA), provides fun, activities, information, and resources for northern Virginians with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. At T.C. Williams High School, 3330 King Street, Alexandria.

Summer Chamber Music Series. 3 p.m. Free Trombonist Kirsten Leis Warfield performing "The Electric Slide", music for solo trombone with electronics and electrified trombone. At the Lyceum, 201 S. Washington

Street, Alexandria.

Art Reception: Diane Frykman. 1-3 p.m. Diane Frykman holds an art reception for her show of oil landscapes and still life. Her work can be viewed at the Historic House of Green Spring Gardens from June 29-August 29. The House is open Wednesdays-Sundays from noon-4:30 p.m. At Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria. Call 703-642-5173 for more information. Visit www.greenspring.org.

Art Reception: Penny McGrath. 1-3 p.m. Penny McGrath holds an art reception for her show of oil landscapes and still life. Her work can be viewed at the Horticulture Center of Green Spring Gardens from June 29-August 29. The Horticulture Center is open Sundays from noon-4:30pm and Monday- Saturday from 9am-4:30pm. At Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria. Call 703-642-5173 for more information. Visit www.greenspring.org.

Gunston Conversations. 2 to 4 p.m. Converse with 18th-century costumed characters. Discuss politics, fashionable dress, or the doings of the neighborhood with Founder George Mason's family and friends. At Gunston Hall Plantation, 10709 Gunston Rd., Mason Neck. Call 703-550-9220 or www.gunstonhall.org. Included in site admission: \$9, \$8 seniors, \$5 ages 6 to 18, younger free.

TUESDAY/JULY 13

Empower Women Spanish Dinner. 6 p.m. Join Empowered Women International for a fun dinner fundraiser at La Tasca, 607 King Street, Old Town Alexandria. The restaurant will donate 10-20 percent of the evening's proceeds to support Empowered Women International and its career development and entrepreneurial programs for women. To make a dinner reservation, call 703-299-9810.

WEDNESDAY/JULY 14

Women's Luncheon. 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. "Need a New Look for the Summer" luncheon. Special guest is Sharon Keen, Senior Beauty Consultant with Mary Kay Cosmetics, who will show some new looks and give tips for having a flawless look. Sponsored by the Springfield/Alexandria Women's Connection. Cost is \$17/person. Reservations must be made by Friday, July 9, to 703-590-6562 or email to SpringWmConn@yahoo.com. At the Springfield Golf & Country Club, 8301 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield.

Concert in the Garden. 7-8 p.m. Free. Be our guest for a musical evening in the gardens with the Fairfax Symphony Brass Quintet. Bring a picnic dinner to enjoy on the lawn. The Friends of Green Spring (FROGS) Board serves complimentary cake and lemonade. At Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria. Call 703-642-5173 for more information. Visit www.greenspring.org.

The Fairfax Symphony Orchestra's Brass Quintet. 7-8 p.m. The Fairfax Symphony Orchestra's introduction to five of the brass instruments that add brilliance to an orchestra's sound. Green Spring Gardens: 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria, VA 22312. 703-324-7469 www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/performances.

THURSDAY/JULY 15

U.S. Army Band. 7:30 p.m. Free. The 257th Army Band will perform patriotic music, marches and entertainment. At Schlesinger Hall, Northern Virginia Community College, Alexandria. Go to www.257armyband.com or call 202-685-7899.

SUMMER FUN

Daytime Fireworks at Mount Vernon Estate

Celebrate Independence Day on Sunday, July 4, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Historic Mount Vernon, the home of George Washington, salutes our first commander-in-chief with a display of made-for-daytime fireworks during its annual Independence Day event. Visitors will be treated to spectacular smoke fireworks in patriotic colors fired over the Potomac River. The event also includes a naturalization ceremony for 100 new citizens, military reenactments, a special wreathlaying ceremony, free birthday cake for all (while supplies last), and a visit from the “first” first couple, “General and Mrs. Washington.” All events are included in regular Estate admission: adults, \$15; children ages 6-11, \$7; and children under 5 are admitted free. Go to Visit.MountVernon.org for more information.

Mount Vernon's Schedule of Events

- ❖ 9:30 a.m.: General Washington's Inspection of the Troops. Reading of the Declaration of Independence and a demonstration by the First Virginia Regiment on the Bowling Green.
- ❖ 10 a.m.: Annual Independence Day Wreathlaying. A ceremonial wreathlaying at Washington's Tomb by the George Washington Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution.
- ❖ 11 a.m.: United States Citizenship & Immigration Services Naturalization Ceremony. A special Independence Day naturalization ceremony for America's 100 newest citizens.
- ❖ 12 p.m.: “Red, White, and Blue” Concert. Patriotic performance by the National Concert Band of America on the Bowling Green.
- ❖ 12:45 p.m.: Pyrotechnic Salute to America. Unique daytime fireworks display over the



Potomac River.

- ❖ 1 p.m.: “Happy Birthday, America” Cake. Birthday cake on the Bowling Green (while supplies last).
- ❖ 1:30 p.m.: Revolutionary War Military Music. Demonstration by the First Virginia Regiment on the Bowling Green.
- ❖ 2:30 p.m.: Revolutionary War Military Drill. Demonstration by

the First Virginia Regiment on the Bowling Green.

❖ **Summer Farm Life:** July has always been a time of celebration at George Washington's farm as it marks the beginning of the wheat harvest season. To celebrate Washington the farmer, field hands will kick-off the season on Independence Day with

wheat-treading demonstrations at the George Washington: Pioneer Farmer site. Costumed staff will lead Mount Vernon's horses as they tread wheat in the 16-sided barn at 10:30 a.m., 11 a.m., 1 p.m., and 3 p.m. Visitors can witness Washington's innovative treading process, learning first-hand how Washington separated grain from straw.



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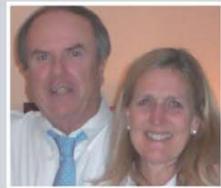
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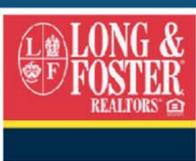
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Where To Go on July 4th

In Virginia

❖ **Virginia has a variety of places** to see 4th of July fireworks. You can see spectacular views of the fireworks on the National Mall from the Marine Corps War Memorial (Iwo Jima) in Arlington, near the Rosslyn Metro station and areas along the Virginia side of the Potomac River that can be reached from George Washington Memorial Parkway. You may park at the Gravelly Point parking lot, which is about a quarter mile from the 14th Street Bridge. Another great place to watch the fireworks is from the Air Force Memorial on Columbia Pike.

Here are some other places in Virginia to see 4th of July fireworks.

❖ **Alexandria**, Oronoco Bay Park, 100 Madison St., Alexandria. Celebrate Alexandria's 261st Birthday & the USA's on Saturday, July 10, 2010, 4-10 p.m. Enjoy a concert by the Alexandria Symphony Orchestra at 9 and fireworks at 9:30 p.m. Visit www.alexandriava.gov/Recreation or call 704-746-5418.

❖ **Falls Church**, George Mason High School, 7124 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, Virginia. Live music will start at 7 p.m. followed by fireworks at 9:30 p.m.

❖ **Fairfax**, July 3, (rain date - fireworks only July 4) Fairfax City, Independence Day Parade through the downtown area beginning at 10 a.m. Musical entertainment begins at 7 p.m. at Fairfax High School with a spectacular fireworks display at dark. (703) 385-7858.

❖ **McLean**, Langley High School, 6520 Georgetown Pike McLean. (703) 790-0123. Music performances, food, games, and activities for kids. Grounds open at 6 p.m. Fireworks at dark.

❖ **Vienna**, Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street Southeast, Vienna. Arts and crafts, food, live music, vendors, and games. Celebrations start at 11 a.m. Fireworks at 9:15 p.m. at Southside Park on Ross Dr.

❖ **Herndon**, Herndon Community Center, 814 Ferndale Ave. Herndon. (703) 787-7300. Rides open at 5 p.m. Music, crafts, bingo, games at 6:30 p.m.

Fireworks at 9:30 p.m.

❖ **Reston**, Lake Fairfax Park, 1400 Lake Fairfax Dr., Reston. (703) 471-5415. Fireworks begin around 9:15 p.m.

❖ **Leesburg**, Ida Lee Park, Rt. 15 (King Street) and Ida Lee Drive, Leesburg. (703) 777-1368. Gates open at 6 p.m. Fireworks around 9:30 p.m.

❖ **Manassas**, 9431 West Street, Manassas. (703) 335-8872. Enjoy live music, children's activities, food and fireworks. Entertainment begins at 4 p.m. Fireworks at 9:15 p.m.

❖ **King's Dominion**, 16000 Theme Park Way, Doswell, Virginia. Independence Day celebrations and fireworks.

In the District

Following is a guide to all of the 4th of July events on the National Mall.

The 4th of July celebrations in Washington, D.C., are among the most attended events of the year and many people arrive early to stake out a seat on the lawn. There are plenty of activities scheduled throughout the day to keep the whole family busy.

❖ **Getting to the National Mall** — The best way to get to the National Mall is to take the Metro. Stations nearby include Metro Center, Gallery Place-Chinatown, Judiciary Square, Federal Triangle and L'Enfant Plaza. The Smithsonian Metro station will be closed on the Fourth.

❖ **Public access** to the National Mall begins at 10 a.m., with all visitors required to enter via a security checkpoint.

❖ **Independence Day Parade**
Parade Start Time: 11:45 a.m.
Parade Route: Constitution Avenue and 7th to 17th Sts.

Washington, D.C.'s 4th of July Parade features marching bands, military and specialty units, floats, and VIP's. The parade draws a large crowd, so plan

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to arrive early to stake out a good viewing spot.

❖ Smithsonian Folklife Fest

The annual event includes daily and evening music and dance performances, crafts and cooking demonstrations, storytelling and discussions of cultural issues. The themes of the 2010 program will be: México Profundo: A Deeper Mexico, Asian Pacific American Connections and Smithsonian Inside Out. The hours on the 4th of July are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

❖ 4th of July at the National Archives

The National Archives celebrates the 4th of July with special family programming celebrating the signing of the Declaration of Independence. Visit the National Archives Building for this special birthday party from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

❖ White House Visitor Center Family Events

Between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., stop at the White House Visitor Center and enjoy games, crafts and other activities celebrating America's Birthday. National Park Service rangers and volunteers will give you the opportunity to sample the sights, sounds, activities and personages that helped finalize the Declaration of Independence and create the United States of America on July 4, 1776.

❖ Concert on the Washington Monument Grounds

Beginning at 6 p.m. the U.S. Navy Band performs on the Southwest corner of the grounds of the Washington Monument. The concert includes the U.S. Navy Concert Band, the Sea Chanters chorus, and the Cruisers, their rock and top-40 ensemble. That portion ends at 7:30 p.m., to be followed by a vignette by the National Park



Service. At 8 p.m., the Navy Band Commodores Jazz ensemble will perform with guest Jane Monheit. This portion promptly concludes at 9:10 p.m. for the fireworks display.

❖ A Capitol Fourth Concert

Time: 8 - 9:30 p.m. (Admittance begins at 3 p.m.)

Location: West Lawn of the U.S. Capitol Building

The 30th anniversary broadcast will be hosted by actor Jimmy Smits, with performances by Reba McEntire, Gladys Knight, Darius Rucker (Hootie & the Blowfish), singer David Archuleta (American Idol), and actor and singer John Schneider, as well as classical pianist Lang Lang with the National Symphony Orchestra under the direction of top pops conductor Jack Everly and the Choral Arts Society of Washington, under the direction of Norman Scribner.

The July 4th concert finale includes Tchaikovsky's "1812 Overture" — featuring the U.S. Army Herald Trumpets and complete with live cannon fire provided by the United States Army Presidential Salute Battery. Also featured are the U.S. Army Ceremonial Band, the U.S. Marine Drum and Bugle Corps, the Joint Armed Forces Color Guard and the State

and Territorial Flags of the Military District of Washington. The annual event will be broadcast live on WETA TV 26 with a repeat airing at 10 p.m.

❖ Best Places to View the National Mall Fireworks

- ❖ U.S. Capitol
- ❖ Lincoln Memorial
- ❖ Jefferson Memorial
- ❖ FDR Memorial
- ❖ East Potomac Park
- ❖ Southwest Waterfront 4th of July Festival (tickets required)
- ❖ Rooftop of the W Hotel (tickets required)
- ❖ Anywhere along the National Mall between 14th Street and the Capitol
- ❖ Aboard a cruise along the Potomac River (tickets required)

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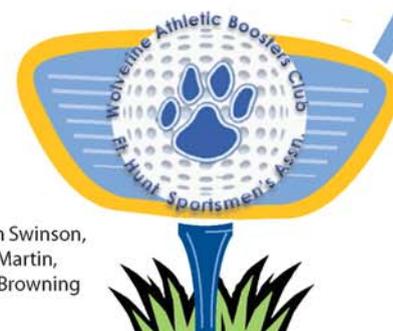


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CRIME

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MALICIOUS WOUNDING/BURGLARY/OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE/ARREST

A 28-year-old man was stabbed inside his home in the 5900 block of North Kings Highway around 12:52 p.m. on Friday, June 11. The suspect, a 33-year-old male of the 3300 block of Lockheed Blvd. in Alexandria, was apprehended nearby. He was taken to jail and charged with malicious wounding and burglary. A 30-year-old female of the 7400 block of Fordson Road in Alexandria, was charged with obstruction of justice; she allegedly failed to cooperate with police during their investigation of this case. The victim was transported to a local hospital for treatment of non life-threatening injuries.

ASSAULT BY MOB/ARREST

Several men assaulted a 38-year-old man in a parking lot around 10:40 p.m. in the 3300 block of Lockheed Boulevard on Friday, June 11. One of the suspects was arrested. A 20-year-old male of the 20700 block of Crystal Hill Circle in Germantown, Md., was taken to jail and charged with assault by mob. The victim was treated at the scene for minor injuries.

LARCENIES

1100 block of Belle View Blvd. Racing bike stolen from residence.
5900 block of Grand Pavilion Way. Computer and monitor stolen from residence.
3100 block of Groveton St. Tools, fishing pole, lawnmower and ladder stolen from residence.

7100 block of Groveton Gardens Road. Two laptop computers stolen from residence.
2300 block of Huntington Ave. Beer stolen from business.
1800 block of Old Richmond Highway. Four tires stolen from vehicle.
2500 block of Parkers Lane. Cash stolen from residence.
2500 block of Parkers Lane. License plate stolen from vehicle.
8600 block of Pilgrim Court. Tools stolen from vehicle.
7500 block of Republic Court. Music amplifier stolen from residence.
6700 block of Richmond Highway. Shirts stolen from business.
7200 block of Richmond Highway. Food stolen from business.
7600 block of Richmond Highway. Soda stolen from business.
7700 block of Richmond Highway. Pint of gin stolen from business.
8200 block of Richmond Highway. Bicycle stolen from business.
9100 block of Richmond Highway. Luggage stolen from business.
6300 block of South Kings Highway. Beer stolen from business.
3900 block of Stone Mansion Court. Laptop computer stolen from residence.
7900 block of Ashton St. Tools stolen from vehicle.
8000 block of Ashton St. Work bag stolen from vehicle.
2800 block of Beacon Hill Road. Beer, nuts and beef treat stolen from business.
2600 block of Boswell Ave. Yard furniture stolen from residence.

2300 block of Huntington Ave. Two bottles of water stolen from business.
2300 block of Huntington Ave. Beer stolen from business.
2700 block of James Drive. GPS stolen from vehicle.
2800 block of James Drive. GPS stolen from vehicle.
2700 block of Popkins Lane. Purse and cell phone stolen from vehicle.
2900 block of Popkins Lane. Camera stolen from school.
6500 block of Quander Road. Camera stolen from school.
6700 block of Richmond Highway. Merchandise stolen from business.
8000 block of Richmond Highway. Four propane tanks stolen from business.
8300 block of Richmond Highway. Bicycle stolen from residence.
3700 block of Roxbury Lane. License plates stolen from vehicle.
4900 block of Sprayer Court. Grinder and two rings stolen from residence.
6500 block of Tower Drive. Two bracelets stolen from residence.
6600 block of Wakefield Drive. GPS stolen from vehicle.
7900 block of Wellington Road. License plate stolen from vehicle.
5900 block of Williamsburg Road. Purse stolen from vehicle.

VEHICLE THEFTS

7800 block of Audubon Ave. Ford Escape.
7900 block of Bluebird Lane. Trailer with lawn equipment.
8000 block of Janna Lee Ave. 2002 Kawasaki motorcycle.
3800 block of Laramie Place. Toyota Corolla.
8200 block of Frye Road. Honda Civic.
7700 block of Richmond Highway. Dodge Ram.

Missing Adult Reported

Police are asking for the public's assistance in locating a missing/ endangered, 68-year-old woman. Dorothy M. Holcomb was last seen at her home in the 2600 block of Arlington Drive, near Richmond Highway at approximately 6:45 p.m. on Sunday, June 27.



wearing pink pants and a white and pink flowered shirt. She has a serious medical condition and is without her medication.

Holcomb is white, about 5 feet 4 inches tall and 250 pounds. She has white hair and blue eyes. She was last seen

Anyone with information is asked to contact Crime Solvers by phone at 1-866-411-TIPS/8477, e-mail at www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org or text "TIP187" plus a message to CRIMES/274637 or call Fairfax County Police at 703-691-2131.

SCHOOL NOTES

Fort Hunt High School, Alexandria, class of 1980 announces its 30th reunion. Visit the web site to register and stay connected on all of the happenings. Go to fhhs80.com or email: fhhsclassof80@yahoo.com.

The following Alexandria students were named to the High List, Episcopal High School's academic honor roll, for the first quarter of the 2009-10 school year.

* **Anne Caperton Page,** freshman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter M. Page, Jr. of Alexandria.
 * **Angelique Lynn Phillips,** junior,

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Laurence T. Phillips of Alexandria.

* **Charles Davidson Snow,** senior, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey D. Snow of Alexandria.

* **Ashley Hamilton Stevens,** senior, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Shelby T. Stevens of Alexandria.

Cindy Bergstrom of Alexandria, a student at Centre College in Danville, Ky., was a member of the Centre College soccer team during the 2009-2010 fall season. Bergstrom is the daughter of David Bergstrom of Alexandria and Deborah Bergstrom of Annandale.

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LETTERS

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is needed.

Report Cards should reach home by the end of next week. You should have heard from your student's teachers if your child failed a class and needs to attend summer school. Summer school is offered online only except for seniors. Summer school for any seniors who did not graduate is being held at Fairfax High School.

We will spend the summer planning and gearing up for another fantastic year. I look forward to another rewarding and productive year as the Principal of the school I love. You have fantastic children! Enjoy the summer with your family and please make sure your student reads!

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Leash Law Scofflaws?

To the Editor:

Section 41.1-1-1 of the Fairfax County Code (the Code) defines "unrestricted" pertaining to dogs as: "not under control of the owner or his agent either by leash, cord, chain or primary enclosure when off the property or premises of the owner or custodian. An electronic device does not qualify as a leash, cord or chain." Section 41.1-2-4 of the Code says the following: "No dog shall run unrestricted, as defined in Section 41.1-1-1, in the County. Any person who is the owner of a dog found unrestricted in the County shall be in violation of this Section." The owner of the dog can be fined and if the owner can't be readily found, the dog may be impounded.

This is elementary stuff folks. Under Fairfax County law, if you leave your property with your dog, it must either be in a cage or on a leash, cord or chain. The policy reasons for this law are also straightforward. If your dog is being walked off a leash: (1) it can be run over by a car; (2) it can intimidate the elderly or children or anyone else in the vicinity as well as other leashed dogs; (3) it can be attracted by a wild animal like a rabbit, squirrel or fox and run into the path of a car, resulting in (a) being run over, or (b) causing the car driver to swerve, resulting in an accident. That accident might just cause property damage or might result in death or injury to a child or adult happening by at the time. On any given day, dozens of dogs are walked by my house, the overwhelming majority on a leash. As a dog lover and one who wants his

neighborhood to be safe, I don't understand why certain neighbors of mine adamantly refuse to leash their dogs.

One couple walks their yellow Labrador retriever by my house several times a week around 6:30 a.m., always without a leash. Over the past couple of years, I've asked them several times to leash their dog — they either don't respond or explain that their dog is so well trained it doesn't need a leash (it only takes one mistake for a disaster to occur). Last year, out of concern for others in our community including children and the elderly, as well as their dog, I wrote them a letter asking them to leash their dog or the next time I saw it off leash I'd report to animal control. The result? For the next six months or so, they chose another route to walk their dog. In recent months, they've returned, walking their dog without a leash. I haven't yet reported them.

Another couple owns a border collie. Around 6 a.m. several times a week, the wife walks the dog by my house on a leash. A couple of times a week, usually at dawn or dusk, the husband rides his bicycle by my house at breakneck speed chasing the dog running ahead with no leash. Last year, I took several photos of this behavior to document it. The husband observed me taking the photos and visited me to ask me why I was photographing him and his dog. I explained that I planned to send the photos to our civic association president with the request that a story be published in our newsletter concerning the local leash law. About two weeks later, while the husband was chasing the dog on his bicycle, it was hit by a car. One of my friends saw him cradling the injured dog sitting on the curb. She drove him and the dog to their home. Luckily, the dog survived but had a noticeable limp for several months as it was walked by my house on leash. Apparently, the dog is back to normal because the husband has resumed chasing it around our neighborhood on his bicycle. Last week he zoomed past my house at high speed after dark trailing the dog.

I have not yet reported these neighbors to the animal control people. However, I am beginning to believe I'll somehow feel responsible if something befalls these dogs or someone in our community is hurt or killed, and I didn't report these irresponsible dog owners to the authorities. Come on neighbors, please obey our County's leash law for the good of your dogs and the safety of our community.

H. Jay Spiegel
Mount Vernon



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5K Walk-a-thon

Many turned out for the 5K walk-a-thon at Fort Hunt Park on Saturday, June 26. The walk-a-thon was hosted by Younglives DC, an organization that helps minister to teen mothers.

Ashley Thompson and Kendra Smith participate in the walk-a-thon.



Can We Afford It?

To the Editor:

Cities, counties and states across our great nation are experiencing serious budgetary deficits. The same can be said about our federal government. Citizens throughout our country are being affected by this financial crisis.

Education, healthcare and public safety are just a few of our public needs that are suffering from this chaotic problem. We know the future of our nation depends greatly upon education our children on all levels. Our kids will be the future leaders of our country. Without education, our future leaders will not be able to carry on with the success we have enjoyed for decades.

In recent days, we have learned of a proposal by the Fairfax County School Board to close the Clifton Elementary School. It cites the cost in the millions to renovate the school that was built in 1953. Parents of children attending the school object to the closing saying "it is integral to life in Clifton."

When we observe what has hap-

pened as a result of police misconduct or negligence it should alert us to the fact this is a part of the financial problem we face in Fairfax County. Fairfax taxpayer money in recent years has been paid to litigants of lawsuits against Fairfax County Police in the millions of dollars.

Most recently in January 2010, the County Supervisors, in a rare step, awarded \$1.5 million to close a lawsuit brought by the family of Ashley McIntosh, who was killed by a Fairfax County police officer in a car crash on Rt. 1 in 2008. More pending cases involving million dollar lawsuits include the "accidental shooting death" of Salvatore Culosi, Jr., who was shot and killed by a SWAT team officer while serving an arrest warrant on Culosi at his home for sports gambling.

Civil rights activists have used tort litigation, under federal and state laws, to enhance police accountability. The dollar cost of police misconduct has been raised to a critical level. Local elected officials in parts of our nation have responded by adopting meaningful police reforms. According to Human Rights Watch, a police in-

ternal affairs officer in a large city was quoted as saying "civil cases are not our problem." Another was quoted saying police departments consider the money they pay out in damages and settlements "a cost of doing business."

This raises the question, does our country and its taxpayers benefit more for allocating funds to renovate our schools, or to pay millions of dollars in civil lawsuits tried in our courts resulting from police misconduct or negligence?

The CCPA remains pro-police, but expresses deep concern for the few who violate their oath to protect and serve the citizens of Fairfax County. By their very special nature of responsibilities, they must be subjected to accountability.

As the CCPA moves ahead, it has a vision for an improved Fairfax County Police Department and a safer community.

The question is, can we afford it? For information about the CCPA, visit virginiaccpa.org or email www.virginiaccpa@aol.com.

Nicholas Beltrante
Executive Director, CCPA



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Effective July 31, St. Clair Appliance will be closing.

St. Clair Appliance To Close

St. Clair Appliance owner Bob St. Clair announced their showroom is closing down, effective July 31, after almost 45 years.

St. Clair issued a formal statement that said in part: "Since 1966 when the company was established by J. Robert and Ruth St. Clair, and taken over by Robert F. St. Clair, son of the founders, St. Clair Appliance Distributors grew from a one office

operation to a full service builder supply company. It provided design services, appliances, and cabinetry to contractors, builders, and homeowners in the Washington Metro area. The family would like to extend its heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to all of the customers and friends in the community who have supported the business through the years."

— GERALD A. FILL

Selling Rye Whiskey at the Estate

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essentially meant it had been distilled twice. While most of the whiskey made in America today is mostly corn, in Washington's time most distilleries used rye primarily because it was a cheaper grain.

"People must have liked it because it sold very well," said Joel Nichols, lead miller at the gristmill. "He had several merchants in Alexandria who were purchasing it and selling it, and he also had neighbors who were also buying it or exchanging for it."

ARCHEOLOGY BEGAN at the site in 1999, followed by years of planning and research to reconstruct Washington's whiskey stills. In 2003, Mount Vernon Estate used Washington's recipe to make 10 gallons of whiskey using an 18th-century still from the Smithsonian as a test batch. It

worked, and with financial support from the Distilled Spirits Council the dream of re-opening Washington's distillery became a reality. Since the day it opened, visitors have been clamoring for a drink.

But Mount Vernon was not allowed to sell the product that was made at the reproduction distillery because of Virginia's restrictive alcohol laws. So when the Mount Vernon Ladies Associated decided to move forward with a boutique operation in February 2009, they called on state Sen. Toddy Puller to introduce legislation allowing the gift shop to sell rye whiskey. Now the shelves are stocked with bottles, and people can taste Washington's own recipe.

"If you've been to Kentucky or any of the distilleries out there, it's the same process," said Pogue. "Of course, their operations are on steroids while ours is the 18th century version."

retiring as a Commander. During his active duty he was present on the Battleship Missouri when General Douglas McArthur presided over the signing of the surrender of Japan.

In 1980 Suffa received the meritorious civilian service award from the Defense Department. He graduated from Brown University and earned a master's degree in business administration from Columbia University.

Suffa and his wife Shirley have lived in Tauxemont for over 50 years.

OBITUARY

Fred Suffa

Fred Suffa, long time Mt. Vernon area civic activist who served on the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Association, and Chairman, Fairfax County Board of Equalization of Real Estate Assessments, died June 7 at Inova Mount Vernon Hospital. He was 85.

Suffa served at the Defense Department as an economist, and statistical analyst with the Labor Department.

During WW II he served in the U.S. Navy,



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8236 WEST BOULEVARD DR	4 . 3 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$1,350,000	Detached	0.53	BOULEVARD ACRES
1500 COLLINGWOOD RD	8 . 7 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$1,100,000	Detached	0.85	COLLINGWOOD
6017 GROVE DR	4 . 3 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$945,000	Detached	0.18	BELLE HAVEN
3906 RIVE DR	4 . 3 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$925,000	Detached	0.85	BELLE RIVE
8040 WASHINGTON RD	4 . 4 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$879,000	Detached	0.15	HOLLIN KNOLL
8210 MACK ST	4 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$850,000	Detached	0.39	COLLINGWOOD
8206 COLLINGWOOD CT	4 . 3 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$840,000	Detached	0.25	COLLINGWOOD SPRINGS
8599 MOUNT ZEPHYR DRIVE	6 . 5 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$835,000	Detached	0.53	WOODLEY HILLS
3403 BURGUNDY RD	4 . 4 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$750,000	Detached	0.28	BURGUNDY WOODS
6420 BOULEVARD VW	3 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$685,000	Detached	0.30	NEW ALEXANDRIA
8713 HIGHGATE RD	5 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$685,000	Detached	0.27	STRATFORD LANDING
6323 OLDE TOWNE CT	3 . 3 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$675,000	Townhouse	0.23	OLDE BELHAVEN TOWNE
2201 PAUL SPRING RD	4 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$655,000	Detached	0.42	HOLLIN HILLS
4122 SCOTLAND RD	5 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$655,000	Detached	0.36	MT VERNON GROVE
2499 DAWN DR	4 . 3 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$650,000	Detached	0.21	BELLE HAVEN MEADOWS
2114 MASON HILL DR	3 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$645,000	Detached	0.41	HOLLIN HILLS
8636 WINTHROP DR	5 . 3 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$630,000	Detached	0.41	PLYMOUTH HAVEN
6419 POTOMAC AVE	4 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$625,000	Detached	0.16	NEW ALEXANDRIA
4706 TARPON LN	5 . 3 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$615,000	Detached	0.50	YACHT HAVEN ESTATES
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7316 STAFFORD RD	3 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$599,900	Detached	0.48	HOLLIN HILLS
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2201 KILT CT	3 . 3 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$580,000	Detached	0.37	KIRK
2215 COLLINGWOOD RD	4 . 3 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$580,000	Detached	0.33	WILLIAMSBURG MANOR N
7529 LINDBERG DR	5 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$575,000	Detached	0.13	GRVE AT HNTLY MDWS
1910 STIRRUP LN	4 . 3 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$575,000	Detached	0.32	RIVERSIDE GARDENS
8309 CEDARDALE DR	5 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$570,000	Detached	0.29	COLLINGWOOD ON POT
2810 JOSEPH MAKELL CT	7 . 4 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$567,500	Detached	0.45	GUM SPRINGS
1505 WAKE FOREST DR	3 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$560,000	Detached	0.30	WESTGROVE
3850 ELMWOOD TOWNE WAY	3 . 3 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$555,000	Townhouse	0.07	ELMWOOD
8421 BLAKISTON LN	4 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$553,000	Detached	0.26	STRATFORD ON THE POT
8809 LINTON LN	5 . 3 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$539,000	Detached	0.24	FORT HUNT ESTATES
5705 NORTON RD	5 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$535,000	Detached	0.28	HICKORY KNOLL
1806 COURTLAND RD	4 . 3 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$535,000	Detached	0.29	HOLLINDALE
2217 LIDA CT	4 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$535,000	Detached	0.38	KIRKSIDE
4413 FERRY LANDING RD	3 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$535,000	Detached	0.54	YACHT HAVEN ESTATES
4200 ROBERTSON BLVD	3 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$530,000	Detached	0.34	MT VERNON GROVE
1301 CROTON DR	3 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$524,900	Detached	0.30	WAYNEWOOD
2205 SHIVER DR	3 . 3 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$520,000	Detached	0.69	RANDALL
8202 RIVERSIDE RD	4 . 3 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$520,000	Detached	0.25	HENSLEY ESTATE
8231 CHANCERY CT	5 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$515,000	Detached	0.27	WILLIAMSBURG MANOR N
8602 BOUND BROOK LN	5 . 3 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$515,000	Detached	0.24	RIVERSIDE ESTATES
8401 CAMDEN ST	4 . 3 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$510,000	Detached	0.26	STRATFORD ON THE POT
5904 MOUNT EAGLE DR #1104	2 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$500,000	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors		MONTEBELLO
8621 WOODWARD AVE	4 . 3 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$496,000	Detached	0.10	MOUNT VERNON HILLS
6422 THIRTEENTH ST	3 . 1 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$485,000	Detached	0.24	NEW ALEXANDRIA
7916 NEW MARKET RD	4 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$479,250	Detached	0.24	HOLLIN HALL VILLAGE
8056 FAIRFAX RD	3 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$451,500	Detached	0.23	HOLLIN HALL VILLAGE
3824 COBBLESTONE CT	4 . 3 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$450,000	Detached	0.21	STONEBROOKE
3410 RAMSGATE TER	5 . 3 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$450,000	Detached	0.29	RIVERSIDE TERRACE
3911 WOODLEY DR	4 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$435,000	Detached	0.52	WOODLEY HILLS
7903 BAYBERRY DR	4 . 3 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$429,000	Detached	0.27	SHERWOOD HALL
5991 GRAND PAVILION WAY	4 . 3 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$425,000	Townhouse	0.03	PAVILIONS AT HUNTINGTON
1704 JAMESTOWN RD	3 . 1 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$425,000	Detached	0.19	HOLLIN HALL VILLAGE
4341 ROCK CREEK RD	3 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$422,000	Detached	0.35	STONEBROOKE
5903 MOUNT EAGLE DR #314	2 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$420,000	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors		MONTEBELLO
4341 ROLLING STONE WAY	3 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$412,000	Detached	0.30	STONEBROOKE
7026 QUANDER RD	4 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$410,000	Detached	0.18	BUCKNELL MANOR
3802 TOWANDA RD	4 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$402,000	Detached	0.24	BURGUNDY FARM
2908 SCHOOL ST	4 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$395,000	Detached	0.19	PENN DAW VILLAGE
6711 TAHALLA DR	3 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$390,000	Detached	0.45	COUNTRY CLUB ESTATES
8785 MILL TOWNS CT	3 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$390,000	Townhouse	0.04	OLDE MILL TOWNS
8216 LAKEPARK DR	4 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$380,000	Detached	0.29	SPRING VALLEY
6916 DUKE DR	3 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$378,000	Detached	0.17	BUCKNELL MANOR
3306 MEMORIAL ST	3 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$375,000	Detached	0.20	GROVETON HEIGHTS
8243 CLIFTON FARM CT	3 . 2 . 2	ALEXANDRIA	\$375,000	Townhouse	0.04	HUNTINGTON AT MT VERNON
2303 COLLINGWOOD RD	3 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$371,000	Detached	0.30	WILLIAMSBURG MANOR N
6600 CAVALIER DR	4 . 1 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$360,000	Detached	0.17	BUCKNELL MANOR
8735 OLD MILL RD	3 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$360,000	Townhouse	0.04	OLDE MILL TOWNS
2016 ROLLINS DR	4 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$350,000	Detached	0.18	BUCKNELL MANOR
8119 KEELER ST	4 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$345,050	Detached	0.27	WOODLAWN TERRACE
4707 LAURIEFROST CT	3 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$345,000	Townhouse	0.04	SKYVIEW PARK
8237 JEPSON PL	3 . 3 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$345,000	Detached	0.27	MT VERNON VALLEY
5808 KINGS HWY N	3 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$339,000	Semi-Detached	0.08	JEFFERSON MANOR
5844 MONTICELLO RD	2 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$338,500	Semi-Detached	0.10	JEFFERSON MANOR
7201 STOVER CT	3 . 3 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$338,000	Townhouse	0.05	WOODSTONE
5902 MOUNT EAGLE DR #415	2 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$334,000	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors		MONTEBELLO
2611 FORT DR	3 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$330,000	Duplex	0.13	JEFFERSON MANOR
8119 KIDD ST	5 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$330,000	Detached	0.26	MT VERNON VALLEY
8337 HUNTER MURPHY CIR	2 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$330,000	Townhouse	0.02	MOUNT VEE MANOR
8455 HALLIE ROSE ST	3 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$330,000	Townhouse	0.03	SKYVIEW PARK
7134 HUNTLEY CREEK PL	3 . 3 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$325,000	Townhouse		GROVETON WOODS
3807 ROXBURY CT	4 . 3 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$325,000	Townhouse	0.03	ROXBURY OF MT VERNON
8417 BYERS DR	3 . 2 . 3	ALEXANDRIA	\$325,000	Townhouse	0.03	SKYVIEW PARK
7979 AVERY PARK CT	3 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$320,000	Townhouse	0.05	AVERY PARK
6404 CAVALIER DR	4 . 1 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$320,000	Detached	0.17	BUCKNELL MANOR
5827 FIFER DR	3 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$315,000	Duplex	0.09	HUNTINGTON
6631 WAKEFIELD DR #302	3 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$310,500	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors		RIVER TOWERS
2223 ARLINGTON TER	2 . 1 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$300,000	Townhouse	0.08	HUNTINGTON
2417 WINDBREAK DR	3 . 2 . 2	ALEXANDRIA	\$300,000	Townhouse	0.03	MT VERNON SQ TWNHS
8200 GLEAVES CT	3 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$300,000	Detached	0.27	WOODLAWN TERRACE
5901 MOUNT EAGLE DR #1109	2 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$290,000	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors		MONTEBELLO
2043 ARLINGTON TER	2 . 1 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$290,000	Duplex	0.15	HUNTINGTON
4436 LONGWORTHE SQ	4 . 2 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$290,000	Townhouse	0.05	PINEWOOD LAKE
6917 WESTHAMPTON DR	3 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$289,000	Duplex	0.10	BUCKNELL HEIGHTS
3604 ROLLING HILLS AVE	3 . 1 . 2	ALEXANDRIA	\$285,000	Detached	0.46	ROLLING HILLS
7836 GUM SPRINGS VILL DR	3 . 3 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$280,000	Townhouse	0.03	VILLAGE AT GUM SPGS
2207 DARTMOUTH DR	3 . 1 . 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$280,000	Duplex	0.10	BUCKNELL MANOR
8020 ASHTON ST	4 . 1 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$275,000	Detached	0.46	MT VERNON WOODS
6802 RADCLIFFE DR	2 . 1 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$269,500	Duplex	0.08	BEACON MANOR
8210 MARTHA ST	3 . 2 . 0	ALEXANDRIA	\$264,900	Detached	0.17	GUSTAFSON

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Route 1's Aviation History

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history of the Beacon Field Airport, the smaller of Mount Vernon's two aviation outfits.

This facility was located where the current Beacon Mall and Target are along Richmond Highway in the Groveton area. The airport was also owned by Lehman's family.

"We had a huge advantage [in gathering history] because I used to walk around that airport every day," said Lehman, who still owns the land where the Beacon Field Airport was located.

Beacon Field was initially used for air mail and recreational flying in the late 1920s and early 1930s. The facility, located at one of the highest points in Fairfax County, featured a beacon, which emitted a light that helped guide airplane pilots traveling up and down the east coast before radar technology was invented, according to the couple's website, www.beaconfieldairport.com.

"The beacon was there so they could have air mail at night. Before, all the night mail had to come in by train," said Lehman.

But pilots were also trained at the airport, particularly in the run up to the United States entering World War II, said the couple. Then, the airport's operations suspended temporarily during the war because of restrictions placed on private and commercial planes, according to the website.

Both the Hybla Valley and Beacon Field airports shuttered their operations in the late 1950s, though a few local residents still remember when they were open.

Barbara Keck, who grew up in the Woodlawn area, remembers throwing fund raisers to benefit the local volunteer fire station on the grounds of the old airport.

"The airport would allow them to hold carnivals near the end of the runway," said Keck, who has lived

in the Groveton community since she got married in 1966.

LEE DISTRICT SUPERVISOR Jeff McKay's grandparents built their house in Groveton because his grandfather worked at Beacon Field Airport. His grandfather walked to work many days, said McKay (D).

"For a long time, Route 1 was centered on the airline industry and hospitality industry," said McKay.

"A lot of people who worked at the airport lived right here," he said.

In addition to building a website about the airport, Lehman and Hicks were also instrumental in getting the county to erect a historical marker for the Beacon Field Airport in the parking lot of the Beacon Mall last August.

The couple has also hung historical photographs of the airport at the Starbucks located in Beacon Mall.

"I felt there was a huge history drain with people forgetting and people dying. It was interesting to do something like this before the people who remembered the airport were all gone," said Lehman.

The couple has found there are significant gaps in the more recent history of the local area.

"To the commonwealth, there is no history after the Civil War," said Lehman.

Lehman and Hicks are now working to gather information about the Hybla Valley Airport. They hope the county will erect a historical marker commemorating that facility as it has done for the Beacon Field Airport. They are also interested in establishing a local Groveton-Beacon Hill museum, said Hicks.

More reminders of local history are important, since so few people seem willing to find out information for themselves, said Keck.

"People are too busy. Some people wouldn't even remember what was on the highway two years ago," said Keck.

Emergency Response Procedures

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gency call. The police officer failed to turn on her siren or slow at the Route 1 and Boswell Avenue intersection while the traffic light was red. A year later, in a Sovereign Immunity Bench Trial, a Fairfax District Judge ruled that the police officer was not entitled to immunity because she failed to follow Fairfax county emergency response procedures. Government employees are immune from liability while they are doing their jobs unless they are grossly negligent.

Virginia law reads that the decision to use flashing lights and a siren is required at all times except "as may be reasonably necessary." Puller's legislation would require the use of flashing lights and a siren

at all times.

Exceptions to these procedures is part of the Crime Commission's survey and analysis as it contemplates what, if any, new legislation is necessary and appropriate to prevent the kind of accidents that resulted in the death of McIntosh. Driver training is also under consideration. Law enforcement leaders argue the exception language is necessary to allow for circumstances which may require a silent emergency response approach.

According to the mother of McIntosh, Cynthia McIntosh-Colasanto, 26 states have emergency response procedures similar to Puller's proposed language.

SCHOOL NOTES

Send announcements to the Mount Vernon Gazette, by e-mail to gazette@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Thursday at noon for the following week's paper. Photos are encouraged. Call Steve Hibbard at 703-778-9412 with questions.

Columbia College Chicago congratulates **Graham Jenkins of Alexandria** on being named to the Dean's List for spring semester 2010.

The following local students graduated from Longwood University in the Spring of 2010.

* **Shannon Marie White of Alexandria**, B.A. sociology

* **John Joseph Walker II of Alexandria**, B.S. cum laude, kinesiology

The University of Mary Washington has announced its Dean's List for the spring semester of the 2009-10 academic year.

* **Elizabeth Gillispie**, a junior, from Alexandria;

* **Katharine Bertron**, a senior, from Alexandria;

* **Christopher Goulait**, a senior, from Alexandria;

* **Rachel Blier**, a senior, from Alexandria;

* **Erin Burke**, a senior, from Alexandria;

* **Christine Pham**, a senior, from

Alexandria;

* **Jennifer Hicks**, a senior, from Alexandria;

* **Excy Herrera**, a sophomore, from Alexandria;

* **Elizabeth Crowe**, a junior, from Alexandria;

* **Andrew Cole**, a junior, from Alexandria;

Mount Vernon High School's Class of 1980 is gearing up for its 30th Reunion on July 31, 2010 at the Mount Vernon Inn at the Mt. Vernon Estate. To be added to the list, contact Leisa Gates Less: llscouter@aol.com, 281-536-3121 or Jennifer Julian Radcliffe: hood1984@aol.com, 703-968-3072.

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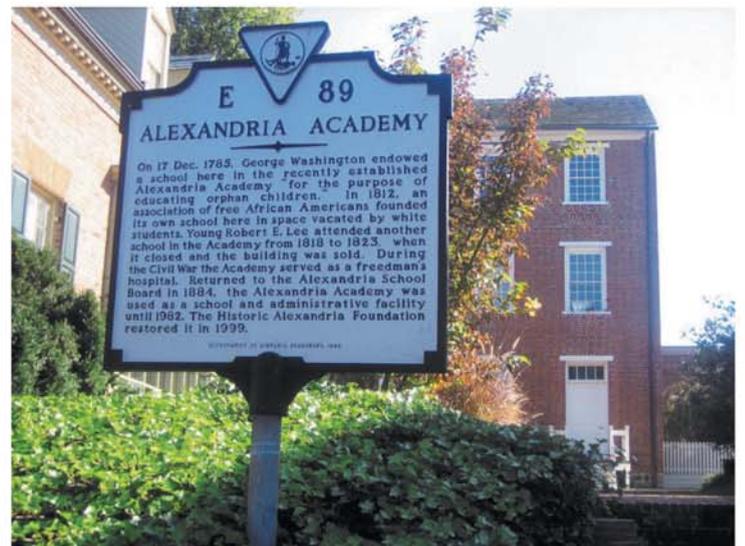
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Sara Bertram was a double winner for the Mount Vernon Park Gators on June 26.



PHOTO BY DIANE HOHMAN

The Hollin Meadows 13-14 boys 100-meter medley relay team of (from left) Hunter Aardema, Ben Cermak, Paul O'Hara and Andrew Hohman recorded a time of 59.58 seconds, breaking a 25-year-old team record.

Mount Vernon Park Gators Win Season-Opening Meet

Fans of the Mount Vernon Park Gators were on the edge of the seat throughout a closely contested swim meet on June 26 — and, there were no vuvuzelas, so everyone still has their hearing, which is a bonus. By meet's end, MVP defeated Virginia Run 206-196.

SWIM BRIEFS

The Gators got off to a strong start by winning five of the first six freestyle races, but the Virginia Run Riptides fought back to trail by just four points, as MVP led 47-43 after the freestyle events.

Backstroke went the Riptides' way by two points (46-44), so the meet tightened to 91-89 after two events. The Gators widened the lead back to four points by narrowly winning breaststroke 46-44 to take a 137-133 lead. By now, the crowd was buzzing without need for vuvuzelas.

The Riptides struck back by carrying butterfly by four points, (38-34), knotting the meet at 171 each.

And so the meet came down to the 12

relay races. Seven wins would clinch the meet. Six wins for each team would mean a tie, while only five Gator relay wins would result in a tough loss.

The boys 8-and-under relay won, spurred by a strong swim by Nicky McBroom to overtake his Riptide foe. The 8-and-under girls won as well, putting the Gators up 2-0. After that, each team traded relay wins — the Riptides taking the boys relays, while the Gator girls went undefeated. The mixed age girls relay — the last race of the day — clinched the victory with a victory by nearly a four-second margin. Every Gator girl relay won by at least 1.5 seconds.

Turning back to the individual events, the balance in Division 5 was shown by the fact that the Gators only swept one event — the girls 11-12 50 freestyle. Led by Torie Bolger, Emily Walzl took second and Molly Cabral earned a close third to take all nine points.

Double winners included Nicholas Dupuis (free and breaststroke), Dom Heratsch (free and fly), Sheridan Phalen (free and back), Cassidy Bayer (free and fly), Torie Bolger (free and back), Holly Jansen (back and breast-

stroke), and Sara Bertram (back and fly).

Other Gator winners included Nicky McBroom (back), Gus Leyden (back), Leigh Orleans (free), Kaila Stein (breaststroke), Sophia Passacantando (breaststroke), and Christine Rholl (fly). The Gators won 20 of the 38 individual events.

Second-place points were earned by Brian McNamara (free), Sean Jansen (breaststroke), Tristan Colaizzi (breaststroke), Austin Neal (breaststroke), Josh Stein (breaststroke), Kevin Adams-Mardi (fly), Bea Heratsch (free), Emily Walzl (free), Christine Rholl (free), Molly Cabral (back), Sophia Passacantando (back), Julia Bolger (back), Taylor Makin (breaststroke), Jayne Orleans (breaststroke), Maddy Bolger (breaststroke), Emma Jones (fly), and Mollie Passacantando (fly). The Gators took second in 17 of the 38 individual events.

Third-place points were scored by Gus Leyden (free), Aidan Chaddock (free), Andrei Zaitsev (back), Kevin Adams-Mardi (back), Cyrus Adams-Mardi (back), Brian McNamara (breaststroke), Nicolas

Duceschi (breaststroke), Griffin Colaizzi (fly), Joe Darville (fly), Parker Fulghum (free), Molly Cabral (free), Jessica Metter (free), Maddie Finn (back), Maddy Bolger (back), Julia Hunger (breaststroke), Sarah Jones (breaststroke and fly), Hannah Gwartney (breaststroke), Leigh Orleans (fly), and Julia Bolger (fly). The Gators took 19 third places.

On July 3, the Gators travel to South Run to take on the 1-0 Seahawks in Fairfax Station.

— GLEN BOLGER

Barracudas Set Record Despite Loss

In Division 9 action of the Northern Virginia Swim League, the Hollin Meadows Barracudas lost to the Arlington Forest Tigers 220-182 in the first A-Meet of the 2010 season. The meet was held at the Arlington Forest pool. The Barracudas were led by Kristine Stout, Andrew Hohman, Lexie

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SPORTS BRIEFS

Mount Vernon Milers

The Mount Vernon Milers running club meets at 8 a.m. on Sundays. The group usually meets along the Potomac River, but the exact location is listed in an e-mail sent every Wednesday for the coming week. Distances vary but runners can expect between four and eight miles.

To join the Mount Vernon Milers, send Lee Britton an e-mail at lbritton7@yahoo.com to be put on the e-mail list.

West Potomac Basketball Camps Approaching

West Potomac will host three summer basketball camps. A co-ed skills camp will be held from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. July 6-9 for girls and boys ages 7-16. Basketball

camp for boys ages 7-16 will be held from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. July 12-16 and July 26-30.

Summer Basketball Camp at Whitman Middle School

The Mark Vincent Annual Summer Basketball Camp will be held at Walt Whitman Middle School. The camp session will be held from July 19-23. Camp tuition is \$200 per camper. Camp hours are from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. each day except on the last day; it will end at noon. Boys and girls ages 7-15 are welcome to attend. Boys and girls campers will be grouped in separate gyms. Campers will also be grouped by age, size and skill level. There will a 10-1 camper to coach ratio. The camps are instructional and

skill based. The camp features include local college coaches or players as guest speakers, camp shirts, written evaluations, lectures and demonstrations of offensive and defensive strategies, daily competition and awards, 3 on 3, and 5 on 5 league play. Lastly, concessions will be sold daily throughout the day. Pizza will also be sold during lunch time. Campers will be responsible for their own lunch if they don't order pizza. Staff members will consist of local high school coaches and players.

At this time, there is a \$25 discount from all Fort Hunt members if RSVP by July 7. There is also a \$10 discount for any referrals. Contact markvincentbasketballcamps@gmail.com for more in

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formation about referrals. In a RSVP request, include the campers name, shirt size, age, height and position.

Aces Win 3 of 5

The Alexandria Aces have won three of five games between June 21 and June 27, including a win over the second-place Bethesda Big Train, moving their record to 9-12 in the Cal Ripken Collegiate Baseball League.

Alexandria defeated the Southern Maryland Nationals twice (6-5, 2-1) and the Big train, 2-1, during the stretch.

Against Bethesda on June 24, Kyle Zimmer (San Francisco) picked up the win on the mound, allowing one run and three hits over 6 2/3 innings. His ERA is 0.89 over 20 1/3 innings this season, good for fourth in the league.

The Aces have three of the league's top four batting average leaders. Nick Allen (George Mason) is hitting a league-best .393. Will Davis (Pennsylvania) is second at .368 and Rand Ravnaas (Georgetown) is fourth at .352. Ravnaas and Davis are tied for second in home runs (2) and Davis (16) and Ravnaas (14) are first and second, respectively, in RBIs.

On the mound, Max Knowles (North Carolina Wesleyan) leads the league in wins (4) and strikeouts (30).

The Aces host the Baltimore Redbirds at 7 p.m. July 1.

Wahoos Swim Team

The Wahoos Swim Team Program offers youth ages 6-18 of all abilities the opportunity to develop their own potential. The Wahoos swim program will promote individual achievement and team camaraderie in an atmosphere of friendly competition. Developing and experienced swimmers alike can refine their freestyle, breaststroke, backstroke, butterfly, turns and starts with an experienced coaching staff. Swim meets are scheduled every Saturday morning from mid-June through early August. Practices for the participants are held beginning June 1 until the Alexandria City Schools are out for the summer break at Chinguapin Center from 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. Monday-Friday. Beginning June 28, the participants will have the option of practicing at Chinguapin Center from 7:15-9:15 a.m. or in the afternoons at Old Town Pool from 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. The cost for the program for City residents is \$125 for the first child and \$100 for each additional swimmer. The non-resident fees are \$150 for the first child and \$125 for each additional child. Swimmers must be able to swim 25 meters continuously. For more information on the clinics or the summer basketball league, call the sports office at 703-746-5402 or visit the youth sports website at www.alexandriava.gov/recreation.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

With a team made up mainly of middle schoolers, Mount Vernon Youth Athletic Association won the Fairfax County Girls Softball League 18U division. They are, from left, (sitting) Carly Callahan, Brittany Creamer, Amber Sable, Susie Rhodes, Sarah Busch (standing) Karly Clayton, Miranda Carroll, Emily Miller, Zoey Williams, Kelly Quigley, Taylor York, Jamie Barr. Team member missing from photo: Michelle Heintz.

SWIM BRIEFS

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Kroeger, Olivia Petretich, Charlie Costigan, Camryn McNutt and Paul O'Hara all winners in both of their individual events. Other event winners included Mark Mattis and Lydia Perkins. In addition to the winning races, four team records were set during the meet. The highlight was the 13-14 boys 100-meter medley relay team of O'Hara, Hunter Aardema, Hohman and Ben Cermak who broke a 25-year-old team record with a time of 59.58 seconds. The previous record was

1:00.73 set back in 1985 by Chris Laux, Jason Gritzner, Ken Schwartz and Colin Crowther. O'Hara and Mattis both improved on records they already held from earlier in the season with O'Hara swimming the 13-14 boys 50-meter freestyle in 25.96 seconds and swimming the 13-14 boys 50-meter butterfly in 29.50 seconds. Mattis went 29.93 seconds in the 15-18 boys 50-meter backstroke. The Barracudas' next meet will be at home on July 3 against the Poplar Heights swim team starting at 9 a.m.

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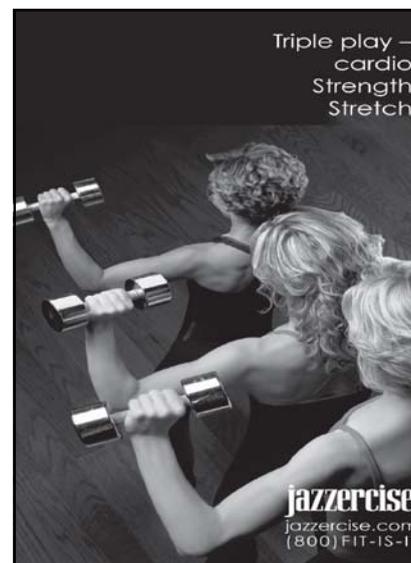
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Mary P. Burke of Lewes, previously of Alexandria, VA, age 86,
passed away peacefully on Sunday, June 27, 2010 at her resi-
dence, Cadbury at Lewes. Ms. Burke was born March 4, 1924
in Alexandria, VA, daughter of the late John S. and Helen
(Sampson) Burke.

Ms. Burke was raised in Alexandria, VA graduating from St.
Mary's Academy. After high school, she attended Washington,
DC School of Business in the early 1940's with a degree in ac-
counting. Ms. Burke enjoyed a 36 year career with the Ameri-
can Red Cross in Alexandria. After retiring she moved to
Lewes, DE to share a home with her sister Florence M. Burke
who preceded her in death in 2004. Following her sister's
death, Ms. Burke moved to Cadbury at Lewes where she
made many friends. She was a loved member of the commu-
nity. Ms. Burke was a member of St. Jude The Apostle Catholic
church. She was a loving niece, cousin and friend to many;
she will be missed by all.

The family would like to extend a note of gratitude to the very
caring staff at Cadbury at Lewes who saw to Ms. Burke's
needs during her three year residency.

Ms. Burke is survived by her aunt, Anita Sampson of Simsbury,
CT; and many cousins: Jill Nixa and husband David of Atlantic
Beach, FL; Kirsten Sabia and husband Barry of Atlantic
Beach, FL; Courtney Boyd and husband Nathan of Aspen, CO;
Parker Ashleigh Boyd of Aspen, CO; Katherine Nixa of Bur-
bank, CA; Joshua Nixa of Enfield, CT; John Sampson and wife
Beth of Henderson, NV; Michael Sampson of Las Vegas, NV;
Andrea Sampson of St. Paul, MN; Michael Burke Moore of
Medford, OR; Dennis W. Moore of Huntington Beach, CA; Shir-
ley Ramey of Warrenton, VA; and Ashby Owen of Alexandria,
VA.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday, July
1, 2010, at 11:00 AM, at St. Jude The Apostle Catholic Church,
DE Route 1 North of Five Points, Lewes, DE. There will be no
calling hours. There will be a Graveside Service on Friday, Ju-
ly 2, 2010, 12:00 noon at Ivy Hill Cemetery, 2823 King Street,
Alexandria, VA 22302-4012. Arrangements are being handled by
Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium, Lewes, DE.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions
be made to the American Red Cross, PO Box 4002018, Des
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