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Paying Tribute to Fairfax's Fallen Soldiers

VFW Post 8469 and American Legion Post 177 host Memorial Day observance.

By Victoria Ross
The Connection

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Members of VFW Post 8469 stand behind the wreath after the Memorial Day ceremony and reading of the Honor Roll on the lawn of the Old Fairfax Court House. The ceremony was hosted by American Legion Post 177 and VFW Post 8469.

Monday's Memorial Day ceremony at the Old Fairfax County Court House was like many solemn and reverent observances across the nation.

It included the ceremonial laying of the wreath, the bugler who played "Taps" and the retiring of the colors by the color guard.

But it was the personal stories of loss, service and sacrifice that struck a chord with guests assembled on the Old Court House lawn during the two-hour observance, hosted annually by American Legion Post 177 and the Blue and Gray Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8469 of Fairfax Station.

On a hot, sweltering Monday morning, City of Fairfax Council member Steve Stombres shared the story of his best friend, Capt. James F. Adamouski, the first Fairfax resident killed in Iraq.

"Jimmy was just a kid when I met him. He was a talented athlete and played soccer, football, and ran track. He was small, but he was a ferocious competitor," Stombres said.

He and Adamouski both attended Robert E. Lee High School and came from military families. Stombres served in the military and was a U.S. Army reservist for 21 years. Stombres said Adamouski learned to fly Blackhawks after graduating from the elite West Point Military Academy.

"His mother was understandably concerned about her son's safety when she learned that he would be deploying to Iraq with the 3rd ID in early 2003," Stombres said. "He told her 'Don't worry Mom, I'll fly low and I'll fly fast.'"

James Adamouski was killed in Iraq on April 2, 2003.

"I first heard of his death while driving in my car listening to WTOP radio," Stombres said.

"My generation of soldiers is only beginning to understand the pain and sorrow that previous generations of soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines have known for decades," Stombres said. "When the bell rings for Jimmy, I hope you will think of the talented athlete, the dedicated soldier, the loving brother, and the devoted husband that he was."

> **"They did not lay down their lives in America's wars for us to forget them."**
>
> **— Floyd Houston**

With the clang of a WWII-era bell, Adamouski was the 287th name read by veterans, as family members, community leaders and elected officials bowed their heads on the lawn of the Fairfax County Courthouse to honor the fallen soldiers.

Some veterans were visibly moved as the last three names were read, men who had died in the past year:

❖ Pfc. Benjamin J. Park, U.S. Army of Fairfax Station, who was killed in Operation Enduring Freedom on June 18, 2010 at the age of 25.

❖ First Sgt. Eddie Turner, U.S. Army, of Fort Belvoir, killed in Operation Enduring Freedom on June 22, 2010, at the age of 41.

❖ Sgt. Ronald A. Rodriguez, U.S. Marine Corps, of Falls Church, killed in Operation Enduring Freedom on Aug. 20, 2010, at the age of 26.

"They did not lay down their lives in America's wars for us to forget them. Here

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Starting the Summer with Thanks

Thousands honor those who served in annual Ride of the Patriots parade and ceremony.

By Amber Healy
The Connection

Twice during Sunday morning, May 29's Ride of the Patriots ceremony at Fairfax Harley-Davidson in the City of Fairfax did Don Withrow, the event's organizer, ask for a show of hands of people who were active duty or retired military. Twice he was answered by dozens of arms outstretched, and those arms were welcomed with thunderous applause.

It's the annual tribute to the military, complete with thanks for those who came home or who are still serving and moments to honor the memories of those not so lucky that kicks off the summer in this area. Thousands — nearly 4,000, to be exact — of motorcyclists line Fairfax Boulevard from the dealership near Fairfax Circle and stretch at least a mile down the road to Captain Pell's crab restaurant, with license plates boasting the long distances their owners rode to be here, including Michigan, West Virginia, Ohio, Nevada and Florida.

"This is a gift to the community," said Bob Trost, director of the local Harley Owners Group, which helps organize the Ride of the Patriots. "When I was going to Fairfax High School, we didn't have a Memorial Day parade. It wasn't that we forgot, we just didn't have one."

For 13 years now, a community-wide celebration kicks the weekend off right, he said. It helps everyone remember the real reason behind Memorial Day.

"Look to the empty space to the left of you, and to the right, and in front of you and behind me. That's a space that could be filled by a man or woman in uniform who gave the ultimate sacrifice," he said.

Bob DeHaven, owner of Patriot Harley-Davidson, talked about his "favorite veteran," his 90-year-old father, before getting a little emotional recounting an email he received from a Fairfax City mother who just lost a son in Afghanistan, while another son is still serving.

Normally, Stephen Mace's mother rides in the parade every year, DeHaven said, but this year she couldn't do it. "So when you ride out of here, wave to Mrs. Mace. Throw her a kiss. She'll be here," he said, fighting back his tears.

He also mentioned that this year's event carried special weight, as the country approaches the 10-year anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks. Now U.S. forces have killed Osama bin Laden, the organizer of those attacks, Mace asked if anyone in the massive crowd had decided to forgive or forget those actions.

"I didn't think so," he said, to wild applause. "I know I haven't."

Other speakers included City Council member Ellie Schmidt, Del. Dave Bulova (D-37), State Sen. Chap Peterson (D-34) and U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11), all of whom spoke about their repeated involvement with the Ride of the Patriots and

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Photo by Amber Healy/The Connection

The motorcycles of the Fairfax County Police Department were lined up along Fairfax Boulevard, waiting to lead the way during the annual Ride of the Patriots Parade Sunday morning, May 29. For more photos, go to www.connectionnewspapers.com

Photo by Megan McGovern/The Connection

World War II Veteran Arthur Dahmer with his wife, Elsie.

In the Business Of Giving Back

Buffet honors veterans at start of Memorial Day weekend.

By Megan McGovern
The Connection

This year's Memorial Day weekend festivities kicked off Friday, May 27, with a special Veterans Buffet at the Chick-Fil-A in Fair Oaks Mall. Veterans and their families were invited to come enjoy the food as restaurant owner and operator Joe Emma paid tribute to their service.

This was the second year of the Veterans Buffet, following a successful turn out from last year.

"The Veterans Buffet is really a time to celebrate our armed servicemen, and bring together members of the community," said marketing director Dorothy Ready of the motivation behind the event.

Emma retired from the Air Force as a colonel after a 30-year career. He still maintains a strong connection to the military, and the Veterans Buffet is just one of the ways he maintains his military roots.

"This event is his way of giving back and building camaraderie within the community," Ready said of Emma and the event.

It was an opportunity for members of the military, young and old, to come together to talk and share their stories with each other.

Among those in attendance were Charles Anderson, a veteran of World War II, Korea and Vietnam and George Hanes, also a World War II veteran. World War II veteran Arthur Dahmer came with his wife, Elsie. Elsie Dahmer served as a junior Red Cross nurse during a time when young female nurses were not allowed in the same room as a male patient. At the other end of the spectrum was Junior Marine Wally Hite, 9, who came to perform his service hours to be promoted from private to private first class.

The Junior Marines are an organization of the Marines, functioning much like the Boy Scouts. They are community orientated, with a focus on shaping a positive character that will translate into a successful military career.

This is the second community outreach event of the year for Emma's restaurant, following their April Easter Egg Hunt

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Above, Victoria Tran and Mike Muldoon were named Prom King and Queen at the Woodson High School prom on Friday night, May 27.

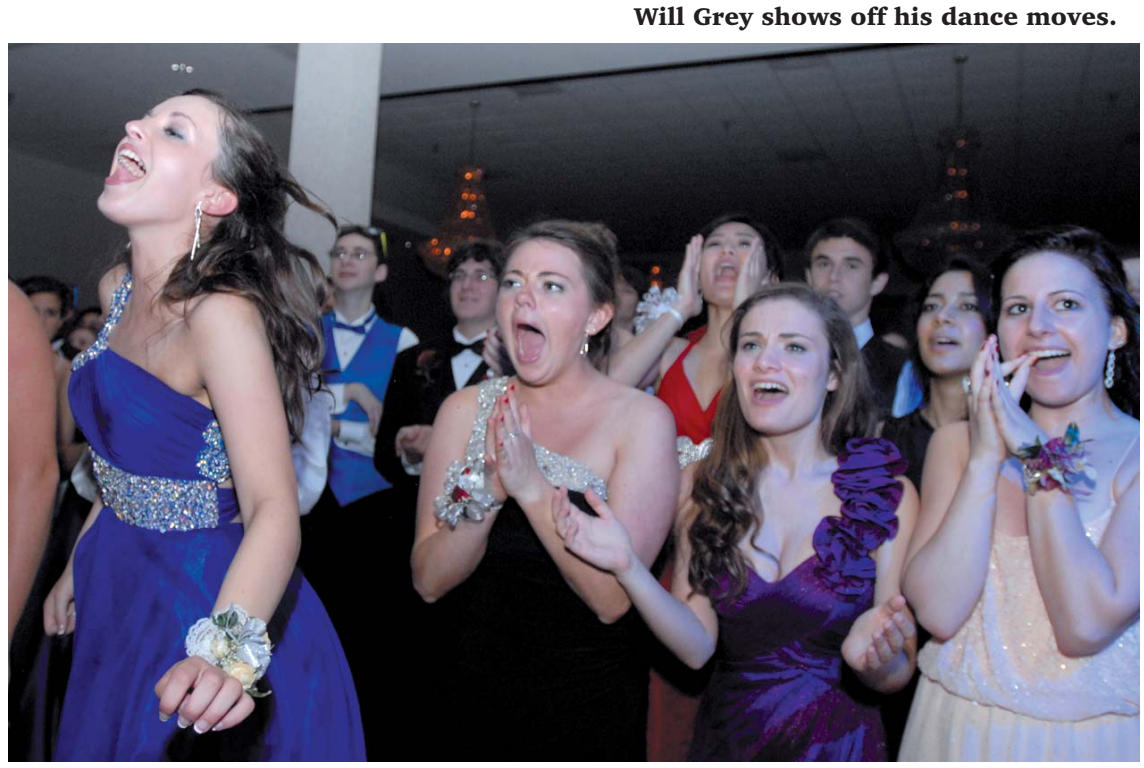
Left, Kayoung Park and Nicole Dierolf enjoy themselves during the Woodson High School prom at the Fair Oaks Waterford in Fairfax on Friday night, May 27.

Cavaliers' Big Night

Woodson students celebrate 2011 Senior Prom.

Students from Woodson High School got dressed up, dined out and dance the night away at the Fairfax school's 2011 Senior Prom. The dance took place Friday, May 27, at the Fair Oaks Waterford.

Will Grey shows off his dance moves.



Several Woodson High School students cheer for the Prom King nominees as their names are announced at the school's annual prom in Fairfax on Friday night, May 27.

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at Fairfax High School. Community outreach is an integral part of the Chick-Fil-A corporation's foundations, and Emma loves being able to bring together members of the community.

"Many community members love coming to Chick-Fil-A, so we can really use that to our advantage when we host events like this," said restaurant manager Ali Davar.

All in all, the Easter Egg Hunt and Veterans Buffet were "a great community effort, creating a relaxing environment to build relationships" between the community and Chick-Fil-A Ready said.

Along with their focus on community outreach, Chick-Fil-A attracts many customers with their emphasis on their core values, including closing their stores on Sundays. The corporation also sponsors the Winshape Foundation, a non-profit charity founded to help "shape winners."

"Life has a lot of happy moments," Emma said, "and this can be one of them."

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13th Ride of the Patriots

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thanking those involved for their service, their dedication to their country and their gratitude for the event.

Normally, the Ride of the Patriots has a member of the military as its featured speaker, but this year, with the anniversary of 9/11 quickly approaching, Withrow explained that it was time to look a little closer to home and honor Fairfax County's first responders, the men and women of fire departments, both professional and volunteer, and emergency crews, the people "you don't think about when things are going right, but who you call when things have gone terribly, terribly wrong."

Speaking on behalf of the first responders was Capt. Richard Yuras of Virginia Task Force 1, the elite first responders that get called to places like Haiti, New Orleans and Japan when natural disasters strike.

Founded in 1986, the group first deployed to Armenia in 1988, Yuras said. Since then, they've become one of 28 teams that the Federal Emergency Management Agency contacts when they need specialized groups to help with search and rescue operation. Within six hours, the team is ready to be sent to any corner of the earth with their equipment and knowledge on how to operate in the direst circumstances, Yuras said.

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This motorcycle, paying tribute to the men and women who served in Vietnam, was among the first in line for the annual Ride of the Patriots Sunday, May 29, in the City of Fairfax. View more photos at www.connectionnewspapers.com

And he thanked the fire and rescue companies that remain in Fairfax County and fill the void while Task Force members are called away.

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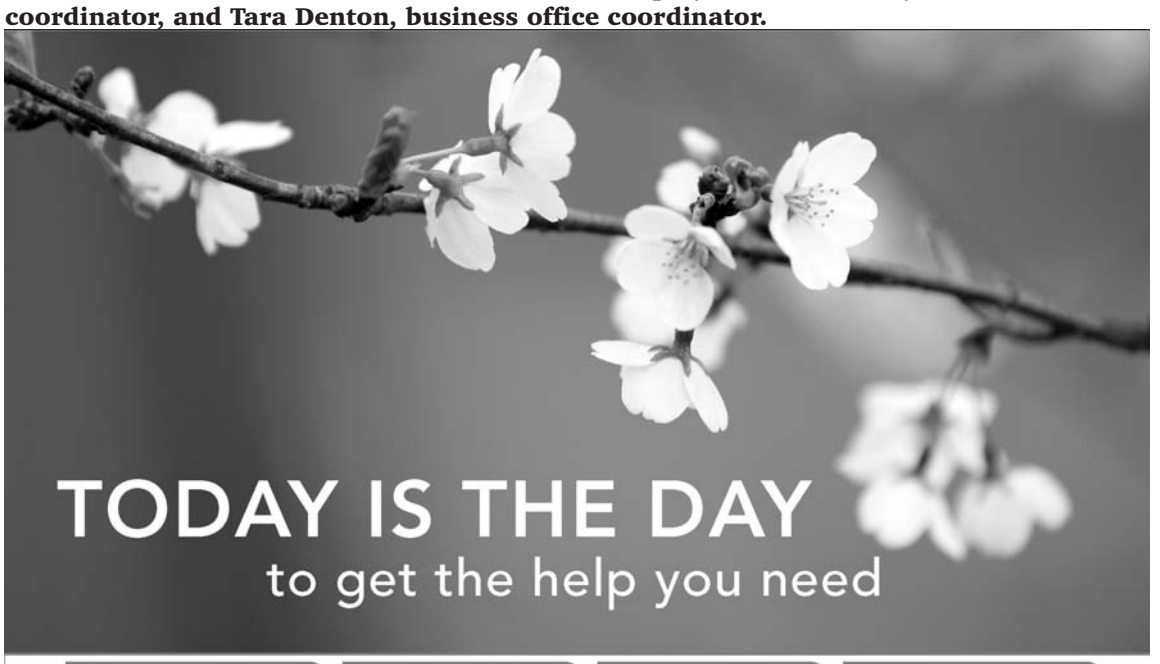
A group of Sunrise of Fair Oaks residents demonstrated their patriotism on Sunday, May 29. They set up on the side of Route 50 to wave to passing motorcycle riders participating in the annual Rolling Thunder Memorial Day ride. They enjoyed seeing so many waving American flags, including their own, and got a kick out of the actual sounds of Rolling Thunder and smiled throughout the 'Parade of Hogs.' Front row, from left, are Marguerite Zillotti, Betty Bryant, Don Cline, Rick Strauss and Anne Mandeville. Back row are Sunrise of Fair Oaks employees Lisa McGary, activities coordinator, and Tara Denton, business office coordinator.



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Opinion

Together, We Can Make an Impact

Susan G. Komen Global Race for the Cure takes place on June 4 on the National Mall.

By Nancy G. Brinker

Guest Editorial

For nearly three decades, millions have walked or run to honor a loved one and to both raise awareness and funds to fight breast cancer — both for those battling the disease today and those who may be impacted in the future. This bold statement of unity has given hope to millions and has helped fuel critical investments in breast health programs and cutting-edge research that is saving lives every day.

We can be proud of how far we've come. And we can be proud of the work that we do in communities everywhere. What started out as 800 women walking around a shopping mall in Dallas, Texas has grown to include more than 1.5 million people walking or running in more than 140 Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure events worldwide. People are walking in Richmond and Rome; Cleveland and Cairo. It has truly become a global movement.

All this walking has paid off too. In the U.S., we have entered into a new era of awareness, early detection and personalized medicines. This new era is saving lives and providing hope of one day putting an end to the suffering for good.

Yet for all of our successes, this hope is not universally shared. In capitals across the globe, women and their families do not yet fully understand this disease or appreciate the benefits of early detection. In many communities, health care systems are unable to adequately screen or treat the disease.

Here too, in the communities surrounding our nation's capital, many women do not fully understand the disease and are often confused about the importance of early detection. Many women still struggle to get off work or find the time to navigate a fragmented health care system that sends them far from home or work for screenings and doctor's appointments — especially if they are under or uninsured.

Together, we can make an impact, both right here and abroad. On June 4 on the National Mall, we will host the 22nd running of the Susan G. Komen Global Race for the Cure. Up to 75 percent of all the funds raised by the Komen Global Race will stay right here to help local women in our community. The rest will go to support our efforts to share the lessons we have learned educating low-resource women in the U.S. with women in low-resource countries of Asia and Africa and Latin America.

And let me be honest, we have a lot of work to do.

OVER THE past two decades, we have invested more than $28 million in education and outreach programs in the National Capital Area. These investments are increasing awareness and improving the care women in our region receive. We've had some great successes. In Montgomery County, Md., for example, we have helped to reduce mammography wait times from 100 days to five days, and we have cut the wait between diagnosis and treatment nearly in half. In many instances, this improved efficiency not only increased patients' chances at survival, it also likely reduced the cost of treatment by starting at an earlier, less costly stage.

Yet we are far from satisfied. Despite our success in raising awareness, women diagnosed with breast cancer in Washington, D.C., are still more likely to die from the disease than women in the rest of the country.

Awareness is not enough. Women need to truly understand breast cancer, including how it's detected and treated. We find that myths and misconceptions are still widespread. Many women are afraid of screening, thinking it is painful and that a cancer diagnosis equals a death sentence.

The region's overly fragmented health care system also produces substantial barrier to accessing care for major segments of the population. Many women cannot access affordable screening because there is too little funding for programs that provide free and low-cost mammograms. These women face economic and transportation barriers that keep them from seeking help. We need to make it easier for women to take good care of themselves.

Thanks in large part to the funds raised last year, we're investing $4.5 million this year in local programs to increase breast health education and to break down barriers to accessing care. Through these grants, we're reaching more women, elevating their understanding and teaching nurses and doctors how to more effectively serve this incredibly diverse population. And we're leading an effort to get the system to work together, in a more efficient and effective manner, so that women don't fall through the cracks and treatments aren't needlessly delayed.

While we've come a long way, we are not yet at the finish line. We must keep running. Will you join us?

Ambassador Nancy G. Brinker is the founder and C.E.O. of Susan G . Komen for the Cure. The 22nd Annual Susan G. Komen Global Race for the Cure will take place June 4 on the National Mall. For more information or to register, visit www.globalraceforthecure.org

Next Great Generation

Letters

To the Editor:

My fellow citizens, we are blessed to have the greatest military that this earth has ever seen. It is well manned, well equipped, well trained and well respected. It is also under represented, underappreciated and under cared for. However, this is about to change.

I reflect back on the Greatest Generation. Emerging out of the Great Depression, we enlisted over 16 million military personnel into the Armed Forces of the United States as we prepared to fight and win World War II. This was fully 11 percent of our nation's populace. They came from all corners of the country and all walks of life. From Los Angeles, Calif., to Westfield, N.Y., from laborers' sons to lawyers' daughters. The nation consistently backed them during the war, welcomed them home at the end of the war and took care of them after the war. Just as the soldiers mobilized for the war, the great American people mobilized for them after the war; sending their sons and daughters to college, hiring them in huge numbers in industry, providing home loans, and providing them the medical care they needed. In return, these heroes again provided the nation a great service as they moved into business, science, medical, arts and political fields. There they helped catapult our cherished nation into a great economic, military and political superpower; able to exert our influence on a global scale.

I stand here before you today to tell you that, we as a nation need to remobilize behind our nation's heroes, our national treasures. We need to consistently think about them, understand them and support them. Since the Vietnam War, our own sons and daughters, our military personnel, have fought just as long and just as hard as their forbearers did. However, we as a nation have not always backed them like we backed their predecessors. The military today is just as important as ever, as the complexity of the world increases. They are there to defend us and our national interests. And they have consistently done so in truly remarkable fashion. However, they are sometimes forgotten as we Americans move though our daily lives. Today's military represents only about three-quarters of 1 percent of our nation's populace. It is still represented from most corners of the country, but no longer in such depth and no longer from most walks of life. Mostly gone are soldiers from doctors' families, lawyers' families, politicians' families, and soldiers from wealthy families. It is left to the rest of society to send their children to protect and defend us. But that is OK, so long as we support and defend them in return. We must mobilize for them as they return home.

My fellow citizens we will start today. Start to recognize and mobilize around our own sons and daughters, our own soldiers, our own national treasures. They are part of our nation's heart and soul. Our national conscience dictates that we think about them, thank them, support them, send them to college, hire them in industry and provide them the medical care they need. They sacrificed greatly for us and our great nation. We must now return the favor. We are Americans, and that is what Americans do. So I ask you to join me in creating the next Great Generation. The generation of Americans that will win the War on Terror, then move on to other areas of our society to help jump start our economy, to solve the hard issues of today and tomorrow, to help maintain our nation's status as a great economic, military and political superpower. .

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Bulletin

MONDAY/JUNE 6

Screening of "Race to Nowhere." 7 p.m. Robinson High School, 5035 Sideburn Road, Fairfax. To be followed by a panel discussion among faculty, staff, parents and students. $10-$15. 925-310-4242 or www.racetonowhere.com/screenings/robinson-secondary-school.

THURSDAY/JUNE 9

Central Fairfax Chamber of Commerce Lunch and Learn. 11:30 a.m. Fairfax City Hall, 10455 Armstrong St., Fairfax. "Exit Planning Strategies for the Small Business Owner." Bring a lunch and discuss various aspects of preparing, planning and executing an exit strategy for the private business owner. kate.sprague@bridgelandwealth.com.

TUESDAY/JUNE 14

Fairfax County Training for Respite Care Volunteers. 7 p.m. Pennino Building, 12011 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. Fairfax County needs volunteers who can commit six hours a month so a caregiver can go shopping, attend a doctor's appointment or just have coffee with a friend. Register at 703-324-7577, TTY 703-449-1186 or kristin.martin@fairfaxcounty.gov.

The Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke Dementia Care Givers Support Group. 12 p.m. Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 5114 Twinbrook Road, Fairfax. The group will meet on the second Tuesday of each month. Learn and share with others experiencing similar challenges. 703-451-8626.

Witness a Meeting of Theatrical Minds

National Theater Conference comes to George Mason June 9-11.

By David Siegel
The Connection

Shaping the future of live theater will be center stage at George Mason University in the upcoming days.

"Audiences have so many options for entertainment these days," said Heather McDonald, co-artistic director of the Mason Theater of the First Amendment (TFA). "But, live theater dazzles in ways that a solitary event such as watching television or interacting with a computer screen or watching a YouTube video cannot. Theater, what the audience sees and hears, is a wonderful communal event, not done in isolation."

McDonald and Kevin Murray, the longtime TFA managing director are two of the keys planners for a national conference, Playwrights in Mind, A National Conversation sponsored by the Dramatists Guild of America in partnership with George Mason. The conference meets June 9-11, at the George Mason Inn Conference Center.

McDonald, the conference is essential and timely. "Since there has been a shift in how audiences are being entertained, now it is not just the printed page and Broadway that tell stories," she said.

For Murray, the conference gives Fairfax County the opportunity to be spotlighted on the national theater scene. Also, the conference is geared to helping and serving playwrights.

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>
> — Kevin Murray, Mason Theater of the First Amendment managing director

"The public can attend and listen to some of this country's foremost theater minds and great playwrights of our time take on the future of theater, and the public can hear it first-hand," Murray said,

Expected presenters at the conference include Tony-Award Winning playwright Edward Albee, Pulitzer Prize Winning Marsha Norman, Tony Award Nominee and Pulitzer Prize finalist Christopher Durang, Oscar and Grammy Award winning Stephen Schwartz, MacArthur Genius Award and Pulitzer recipient Suzan Lori-Parks.

Heather McDonald

Kevin Murray

Molly Smith

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The opening keynote will be given by Molly Smith the artistic director of Washington, D.C.'s Arena Stage for the past 11 years. "There is nothing like the live theater experience to carry an audience away," Smith said. "Each night a new story is created between the audience and actors. It's the ultimate interactive engagement. Real human beings telling the story through their own bodies, hearts and minds."

Gary Garrison, executive director, Creative Affairs of the Dramatists Guild, said that "theater is essential to the culture of our country ... a live performance has a way of involving an audience to stimulate thought, to provoke actions, to engage in emotional discourse that film, television and the internet simply don't." The Dramatists Guild is the professional association of playwrights, composers, lyrists and librettists with over 6,000 members.

Why is a national theater conference at Mason? The environment will be "away from chaos … and George Mason has the extraordinary Theater of the First Amendment, a theatre company devoted to the development of new plays," said Garrison. "What a perfect situation for a national organization."

When & Where

Playwrights in Mind, A National Conversation at George Mason Inn Conference Center and Hotel, 4351 Mason Pond Road, Fairfax, VA 22030. Registration fees for non-members of the Dramatists Guild or students range from $125 to $425. Registration details for one-day or full conference, go to www.theaterofthefirstamendment.org/playwrights-conference/.

Calendar

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THURSDAY/JUNE 2

The Bob Gibson Big Band. 8 p.m. Old Country Buffet 9650 Main St., Fairfax. Vintage to modern jazz. No cover charge.703-764-0708.

Jesse Malin: Night of Stories and Songs. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

Bill Cosby. 8 p.m. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1624 Trap Road, Vienna. $40 in house, $20 lawn. www.wolftrap.org.

FRIDAY/JUNE 3

I Can Make a Mess Like Nobody's Business, Into It Over It and Mansions at 6:30 p.m., followed by Future and Chris Collat Band at 10 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

New Majority Comedy Tour Starring Gabriel Iglesias & Russell Peters. 8 p.m. George Mason University Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Circle, Fairfax. With Lisa Lampanelli. Tickets $49.50-$75 through www.ticketmaster.com or 703-573-SEAT, 202-397-SEAT and 410-547-SEAT. www.patriotcenter.com.

Gilbert and Sullivan's "H.M.S. Pinafore." 8 p.m. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1624 Trap Road, Vienna. With the New York Gilbert & Sullivan Players. Tickets $8-$50. www.wolftrap.org.

SATURDAY/JUNE 4

Skirmish at Fairfax Court House Reenactment and Living History Day. Historic Fairfax Courthouse, 4000 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax. A reenactment of the first organized land engagement of the Civil War will occur from 1-2 p.m. west of the Courthouse grounds at the corner of North and Main Streets. After the skirmish reenactment meet the Cavalry and infantry reenactors at Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Highway, to talk about the reenactment, what it was like for soldiers in the 19th century, and explore the historic Blenheim Estate. Also at the Blenheim Estate will be the Virginia Historical Society panel exhibit, An American Turning Point: The Civil War in Virginia, from May 23 to June 6. Free. 703-591-0560.

Laura Cantrell at 7 p.m., followed by Mc Graves and Nikko at 10 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

Barney Live in Concert: Birthday Bash! 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. George Mason University Patriot Center, 4500 Patriot Circle, Fairfax. Celebrate Barney's birthday with more than 25 upbeat sing-along tunes. Tickets $20-$30, $45 Gold Circle Seats and $75 Dino Seats also available. 703-573-SEAT or www.barneylivetour.com.

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SUNDAY/JUNE 5

A Dance for Japan Relief. 1 p.m. George Mason University Harris Theater, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Kikuyuki Dancers of America, Inc. present Onoe style Japanese classical dance, a raffle and silent auction of Japanese textiles, arts, and crafts. All proceeds donated to the Japanese Red Cross Society. $40 general admission, $25 students, available at 888-945-2468 or www.japandance.org.

City of Fairfax Band. 7:30 p.m. Mason District Park, 6621 Columbia Pike, Annandale. A pops-style symphonic concert of light classical, Broadway, jazz, film, and marches. Weather permitting. Bring a blanket or lawn chair and a picnic basket. Free. 703-757-0220 or www.fairfaxband.org.

Rockshop Unleashed at 1:30 p.m., followed by Kurtis Parks and The Anthem, Brian Franke and Hathaway Brown at 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

Wolf Trap's 22nd Annual Louisiana Swamp Romp. 2 p.m. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1624 Trap Road, Vienna. With Trombone Shorty & Orleans Avenue, Sonny Landreth, Geno Delafose & French Rockin' Boogie, and Steve Riley & The Mamou Playboy. $25. www.wolftrap.org.

MONDAY/JUNE 6

Access Royale, Burning Daylight, Naylor Court and Mission South. 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

TUESDAY/JUNE 7

Hank and Cupcakes, HyeTension and Fives. 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

Open House. Taschler Spine & Rehab, 5:30-7:30 p.m., at 10301 Democracy Lane, Suite 110, Fairfax. Chair message, outdoor barbecue, 40 door prizes from Fairfax businesses and goodie bags for first 100 attendees. RSVP at 703-293-3939.

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 8

Ian McLagan. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

THURSDAY/JUNE 9

Ted Vigil: A Tribute to John Denver. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

Artists' Reception. 7 p.m. City of Fairfax Old Town Hall, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. With painters Lisa Church and Pam Pavord. www.FairfaxArtLeague.net.

FRIDAY/JUNE 10

Alte Kameraden. 7 p.m. Plaza Performances, Old Town

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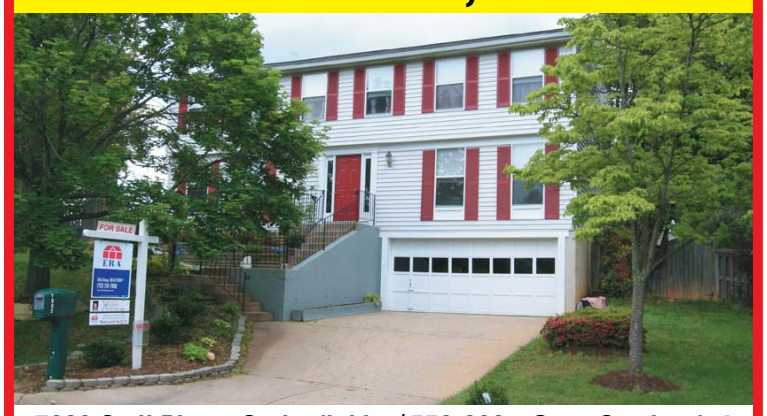

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Marcy Playground and Shayka Boyz at 7 p.m., followed by Those Darlins and Natural Child at 10 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

SATURDAY/JUNE 11

Tree Dedication. 11:30 a.m. Burke Centre Library, 5935 Freds Oak Road, Burke. Celebrating the history of the Burke community. Mary Ann Jung as Clara Barton, balloon sculptures, historical interpreter Jon Vrana as Silas Burke and more. www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/News/news1124.htm.

Natalie York and Rob & Maggie Ulmer at 7 p.m., followed by Fight The Lion, Cerca Trova and Playground Etiquette at 10 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

SUNDAY JUNE 12

Adopt-A-Lab Event. 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Petco, 9230 Old Keene Mill Road, Burke. Lab Rescue has lots of labs of all colors and ages waiting for a home. www.lab-rescue.org.

Jonny (featuring Norman Blake of Teenage Fanclub and Euro's Child of Gorky's Zygotic Mynci) and Apex Manor. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

Civil War Living History Program. 2 p.m. Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center, 10209 Main St., Fairfax. Re-enactors will portray Virginia Gov. William "Extra Billy " Smith and Lt. Col. Richard Ewell and explain their roles in the June 1, 1861 "Skirmish at Fairfax Court House." Free. 703-385-8414.

MONDAY/JUNE 13

The Duke Robillard Band. 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

TUESDAY/JUNE 14

Matt Duke, Rosi Golan and Hope Waits. 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

WEDNESDAY/JUNE 15

"Remembering Fairfax" Oral History Program. 7:30 p.m. Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. A video presentation of oral history interviews with Fairfax residents Gladys Potterton, Etta Bowles-Strozier, Ellen Wigren, Lee Hubbard and Pat Rodio. Free. 703-385-8414.

Red Wanting Blue, Riley Etheridge, Jr. and Tiger Darrow. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

THURSDAY/JUNE 16

Company of Thieves, Empires and Sleeper Agent. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. www.jamminjava.com.

FRIDAY/JUNE 17

The Kennedys. 7 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

Skatefest 2011. 2 p.m. Wakefield Skate Park, 8100 Braddock Road, Annandale. Presented by Fairfax Surf Shop and Wakefield Skate Park. Proceeds benefit the Children's National Medical Center in Washington, D.C. www.skatefestfairfax.com.

Fairfax Saxophone Quartet. 7:30 p.m. Plaza Performances, Old Town Plaza, 3955 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax. Classic jazz. Weather permitting. Bring a blanket or lawn chair and a picnic basket. Free. 703-757-0220 or www.fairfaxband.org.

"Aladdin Jr." 7:30 p.m. George Mason University Harris Theatre, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Performed by local fifth and sixth grade students. $10 adults, $5 age 13 and under. cfa.gmu.edu.

SATURDAY/JUNE 18

Michelle Shocked: Roadworks 2011 Campfire Girl. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

31st Annual Spring Mosby's Confederacy Bus Tour. 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Truro Rectory, 10520 Main St., Fairfax. Sponsored by the Stuart-Mosby Historical Society. With tour Leaders Don Hakenson, Gregg Dudding, Eric Buckland and Tom Evans. The bus will be leave the Truro Rectory to visit various Mosby sites in Loudoun County, Fauquier and Prince William Counties, including Mt. Zion Church, Middleburg, Markham, Warrenton, Warrenton Junction and Catlett Station. $65 members of the Stuart-Mosby Society, $75 non-members. 703-971-4984. Tour will stop for lunch.

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Honoring Their Fallen Friends

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in Fairfax, too, we revere the sacrifice of our fallen sons and daughters," said Floyd Houston, outgoing commander of VFW Post 8469, during the ceremony. Houston is a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy who served in Mogadishu.

U.S Army Capt. Mark Little, 28, who grew up in Fairfax Station, was one of the veterans who read a list of names of those killed during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

AN IRAQ WAR veteran, Little said he "realizes that we are the fortunate few who survived." When another veteran pointed out that Little had earned two Purple Hearts, Little talked about what experiences led to those honors.

In September 2007, he was on combat patrol just south of Baghdad when an EFP (explosively formed penetrator), or what Little calls and "IED on steroids," blasted through the driver's side door and ripped off both his legs. "I didn't realize what happened until I started to slide down in my seat, and I couldn't use my legs to push back up."

EFPs, which use explosives to form a solid copper penetrator and have proved deadly against mine-resistant vehicles and tanks, are widely used in IEDs by insurgents in Iraq.

Known as the jokester of his platoon, Little told the medic in his vehicle that he was hurt. "He kept telling me to stop joking around, that he was busy. And I kept saying 'Doc, really, I'm not joking this time,'" Little said. "I was lucky. He saved my life."

His wife, Alicia Little, attended Monday's ceremony. She met and married her husband after he returned from Iraq. "I loved his personality," Alicia Little said. "He is always upbeat. He is always thankful that it was him, and not someone else that day."

U.S. Army Sgt. Aaron Coffin, 37, one of Little's best friends, attended his first Memorial Day ceremony Monday. He said he joined the military because he believes in the ideals of freedom and service to others before oneself. "Today is a reminder that other people have sacrificed and died to protect our freedom, our way of life," he said. "I am proud and humbled to be here today."

Guest speakers including U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11), Fairfax County Supervisor John Cook (R-Braddock) and City of Fairfax Council member Eleanor Schmidt.

After the ceremony, several veterans gathered at the "rock," the Fairfax War Memorial near the corner of Main Street and Chain Bridge Road, and talked about their wartime experiences. Jerry Wolf, who, at 87, is one of the oldest members of VFW 8469, was shot down flying near Berlin in WWII. He survived after being held as a prisoner of war for nearly a year.

"People ask, 'Was it worth it?' Absolutely," Wolf said. "Every veteran knows the sacrifice is worth the freedom we have."

As the retired veterans chatted, several cars honked and yelled "thank you" to the soldiers, who returned the comments with a salute.

Faith Notes

Jubilee Christian Center, 4650 Shirley Gate Road in Fairfax.The Children's Ministry Department will hold Vacation Bible School, with a theme of "Pandamania," at the church on Friday, June 24 at 7 p.m., Saturday, June 25 at 12 p.m. (includes lunch), and Sunday, June 26 at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. VBS is for ages 3 years-6th grade, and costs $5. Register by June 19. 703-383-1170 or www.jccag.org.

St Mary of Sorrows Church, 5222 Sideburn Road in Fairfax, is hosting a White Elephant Sale on Friday, June 3 from 5-8 p.m., Saturday, June 4 from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. and Sunday, June 5 from 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m. 703-323-0345.

A new Women's Bible study, "Discovering Who We Are in Christ - Part III," will be at Jubilee Christian Center, 4650 Shirley Gate Road in Fairfax, 9:45 a.m. Tuesdays through May 31. $15. Child care available. Register at 703-383-1170 or www.jccag.org.

Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 13421 Twin Lakes Drive in Clifton, offers three levels of ESL Classes every Tuesday and Thursday at 7 p.m. Cost for semester is $35, including student book. To register, come to the next class. www.lordoflifelutheran.com or 703-323-9500.

Interested in the Catholic Faith? Classes will be held at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church in the Guadalupe Room in the Parish Center, 3700 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax, 7:30 p.m. every Wednesday. Contact Carolyn Smith at carolynsmith.stleos@gmail.com or 703-273-5369.

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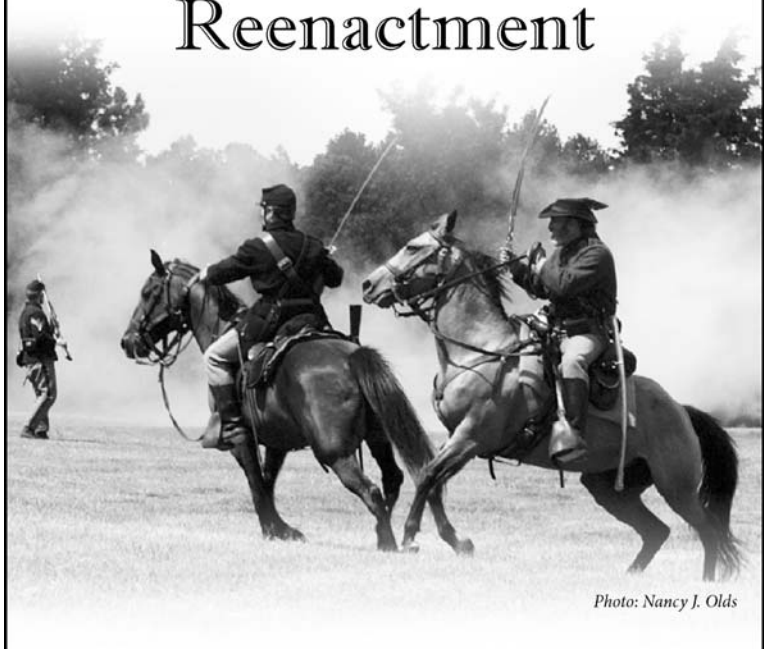

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Cavaliers Sign on Dotted Line, Commit to Colleges

Twenty-nine athletes at W.T. Woodson High sign papers to play college sports.

By Benjamin Paczak
The Connection

On Thursday morning, May 26, 29 senior athletes of W.T. Woodson High School signed on to 22 colleges in 12 different sports, completing the final task of accepting a college's recruitment to play for their new school while studying in higher education.

"I've definitely learned all the normal things like leadership, communication and determination," Melissa Vinall said, going on to play lacrosse at the University of Mary Washington. "Mostly, I've learned really how hard it is to be able to lose games and just pick yourself backup again. Because you can't quit. You have to keep going. So I've really gotten a strong sense of how that relates to real life. You win some, you lose some, but you have to keep going."

Dan Checkosky, Woodson's director of students activities, spoke about how the Cavaliers' athletes have learned about success and failure, joy and hardships, gains and losses, and what it meant to be a part of a team.

Photo by Benjamin Paczak/The Connection

Twenty-nine student athletes participated in a college signing ceremony on Thursday, May 26, at Woodson High School.

Each coach then spoke and had nothing but praise for each of their athletes as they recalled fond memories and gave advice about their future while parents listened, smiled, and applauded for each student moving on.

"I anticipate success," Joseph McGillicuddy said, going to Marshall University with his brother John to play baseball. "Freshman year we're going to have to catch up with the game because the college game is so much faster, so freshman year we plan on furthering our game a lot more. Sophomore year we will hopefully contribute to the team and get somewhere."

The students have their hearts set on having the best sports experience possible while weighing in on the opportunities that come with attending college.

"I chose American University because, first of all, it's a great education, I like the campus and I like the school," John Schoof said, heading to AU to play basketball. "And I really like the coaches and the basketball program they built there. I feel I could be successful there and hopefully play a lot."

"Our Woodson team was really like a big family, so it really helped with playing on the court."
— Marina Randall

Marina Randall has her sights set high as she plays tennis at Methodist University N.C., wanting to study either professional tennis management or sports medicine.

"They have a great program in professional tennis management, and it's one of three schools in the country that has that," she said. "I would go there either for sports medicine, because they have a great sports medicine program and a great tennis team, or for the professional tennis management. It just seemed like an all around fit for me."

As for playing on Woodson's tennis team, Randall said: "It's definitely taught me how to be a team player. Our Woodson team was really like a big family, so it really helped with playing on the court, and off of the

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Woodson's Season Ends in Regional Quarterfinals

Cavaliers tally nine hits but lose game amid flurry of strikeouts.

By Jon Roetman
The Connection

The Woodson softball team had ample opportunities to bury Westfield early in a regional quarterfinal matchup on Monday, May 30 at Falls Church High School.

Woodson pounded eight hits in the first three innings, but produced just two runs. The Cavaliers' inability to come up with enough hits with runners in scoring position cost the team a chance to advance to the semifinals and ended their season during a 4-2 loss to Westfield.

Woodson had no trouble putting the ball in play early against Westfield sophomore pitcher Keona Gaines. But each time Gaines got in trouble, she found ways to get strikeouts and strand Cavalier baserunners. Gaines scattered nine hits over seven innings and struck out 11.

"She got us when she needed to," Woodson head coach Robert Coleman said. "We were putting it in play and then she came up with the big pitch when she needed to. She did a great job."

In the first inning, the first three Cavalier batters reached base, but Woodson managed just one run as Gaines struck out the next three hitters.

Woodson sent four batters to the plate in the second inning and came away with three hits and a sacrifice bunt, but failed to score due to a pair of baserunning blunders.

The Cavaliers opened the third inning with three consecutive hits, but again managed just one run as Gaines struck out the next three batters.

"She got us when she needed to. We were putting it in play and then she came up with the big pitch when she needed to. She did a great job."
— Woodson head softball coach Robert Coleman about Westfield pitcher Keona Gaines.

Woodson finished with nine hits. Courtney Purtell, Eliana Budoff and Shannon McCloud each had two hits for the Cavaliers. Kelsey Schwartzbach, Marissa Lynch and KJ Johnson each had one. Purtell had a double and Johnson produced an RBI.

I was "just trying to hit my spots," Gaines said. "A strikeout would be nice, but [I was] really just trying to hit my spots and focus in."

While Woodson fell short against Westfield, Coleman said the Cavaliers accomplished "more than I ever thought we would. It was the best season we've had at Woodson in 12 years. I couldn't be more proud of them."

Woodson finished 17-4, went undefeated at home and finished atop the Patriot District standings in the regular season. Coleman said the team's three seniors — pitcher Naomi Kennedy, catcher McCloud and center fielder Johnson — were the key to Woodson's success this season.

"The three seniors made the team: KJ Johnson, Shannon McCloud and Naomi Kennedy. They took the group, molded them, carried them on their back the whole season. Without those three, we would have been lost."

McCloud said she is proud of the team's accomplishments.

"We didn't even know what we were going to have coming into this year since we lost so many starters last year," the catcher said. "Coming into this year, we were able to bring each other together and have one of the beast years yet. It was amazing to watch. Everybody improved."

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Woodson senior Naomi Kennedy suffered the loss against Westfield on May 30 in the regional quarterfinals.

Colleges

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Rebecca A. Bajkowski of Fairfax has been named an Alden Scholar for the 2009-10 academic year at Allegheny College. A graduate of W. T. Woodson High School, Bajkowski is a sophomore at Allegheny.

John Awbrey has been named to the dean's list for the fall 2010 semester. Awbrey is from Fairfax. To be eligible for dean's list, a student must carry a semester GPA of 3.5 or better and take a minimum of 12 letter-graded hours (four courses).

Caitlin Campbell of Fairfax, a sophomore, was named to the deans' honor list at Gettysburg College for outstanding academic achievement in fall 2010. College students with a quality point average of 3.60 or higher (on a 4.0 scale) for a semester's work are placed on the college's deans' honor list.

Jessica Weathers of Fairfax, a first-year student, was named to the deans' honor list at Gettysburg College for outstanding academic achievement in fall 2010. College students with a quality point average of 3.60 or higher (on a 4.0 scale) for a semester's work are placed on the college's deans' honor list.

Graham Brouder of Fairfax, a senior, was placed on the deans' commendation list at Gettysburg College for the 2010 fall semester. College students with a quality point average of 3.33 or higher for a semester's work are placed on the deans' commendation list.

Michael Smitsky of Fairfax, a senior, was placed on the deans' commendation list at Gettysburg College for the 2010 fall semester. College students with a quality point average of 3.33 or higher for a semester's work are placed on the deans' commendation list.

Drew University student **Elizabeth Reams** of Fairfax has been named to the dean's list for the fall 2010 semester. In order to qualify for the dean's list, students must earn a grade point average of 3.4 or above, which is equivalent to a B+ or better.

Kamila Goldin of Fairfax is among 581 students named to the fall 2010 semester dean's list at Ohio Wesleyan University. Goldin also is a graduate of Thomas Jefferson High School of Science & Technology. To qualify for dean's list recognition, Ohio Wesleyan students must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale in at least three unit courses.

Wandella Lynn of Fairfax was named to the fall 2010 dean's list at Ball State University. The dean's list recognizes undergraduates who earn at least a 3.5 grade-point average for 12 or more credits of graded course work during a semester or for 6 or more credits of graded course work during a summer term. Lynn also graduated magna cum laude from Ball State University in the fall of 2010 with a bachelor of science degree.

Fairfax resident and Azusa Pacific University student **Lisa Damerell** made the academic deans' oist at APU. She is a marketing major, who is joined by 1,765 other students so honored.

Cavaliers

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court it was really just a great experience to have that whole family, surroundings, and environment."

Each team means a lot to the players as they move on further into academia. They made family ties and went through countless wins and losses.

"The baseball team was my family for high school," John McGillicuddy said, "Even though we're going to college, we have a bunch of guys on our team that are going to college to play baseball, so we can always check up on them and see how they're doing and just motivate one another to do better."

Through their sports experiences, the athletes learned how to live strong and successful lives on and off the court, field and range.

The following is a complete list of the Woodson athletes, the sports they participate in and what schools they will be playing at: Bryson Hough, Baseball, Bucknell University; John McGillicuddy, Baseball Marshall University; Joseph McGillicuddy, Baseball, Marshall University; Matthew Powell, Baseball, University of Mary Washington; Tyler Wislocki, Baseball, Longwood University; John Schoof, Basketball, American University; Timothy Courtney, Crew, West Point; Timothy Kazimer, Crew, West Point; Nikki Nicely, Crew, Indiana University; Eliana Brown, Field Hockey, Colgate University; Elizabeth Swanton, Field Hockey, University of Mary Washington; Tyler Monday, Football, Emory and Henry College; Melissa Vinall, Lacrosse University of Mary Washington; Clayton Wainer, Lacrosse, Mount St. Mary's University; Evalyn Holman, Rifle, University of Mississippi; Virginia Holman, Rifle, University of Mississippi; Morgan Lluy, Rifle, Texas Christian University; and Kaitlin Brooks Soccer, Towson University.

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Players, from left, Lady Jags Assistant Coach Phil Selz of Burke, Slovakian exchange student Lea Minarikova of Fairfax, Amelia Johnson of Herndon and Marisol Heisley of Fairfax.

Lexy Gorospe of Burke receives a pass during warm up at the Rugby Prom hosted by the Fairfax Police Youth Club Lady Jags Rugby Team at Lanier Middle School on May 27. The event was a fundraiser for the Lady Jags to pay for equipment and a road trip for next season, all participants were instructed to show up wearing old prom dresses. See more photos at www.connectionnewspapers.com

Action-Packed Prom

Lady Jags host Rugby Prom Fundraiser.

On Friday, May 27, the Fairfax Police Youth Club Lady Jags Rugby Team of league Rugby Virginia hosted a Rugby Prom fundraiser on the playing fields of Lanier Middle School in Fairfax.

Players from the other five teams in the Northern Virginia Conference and team friends were invited to come out for a rugby match wearing old prom dresses. The fundraiser will help the Lady Jags buy equipment and fund a trip during next year's season.

On June 4, the team will be playing in the state rugby championships hosted at TC Williams High School.

Participants in the Rugby Prom, hosted by the Fairfax Police Youth Club Lady Jags rugby team, pose for a group shot before the 15-on-15 match begins on May 27 at the Lanier Middle School playing grounds. The event was a fundraiser for the Lady Jags to help with equipment purchases and a team trip next year.

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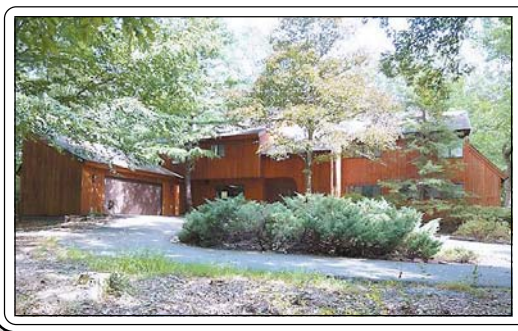

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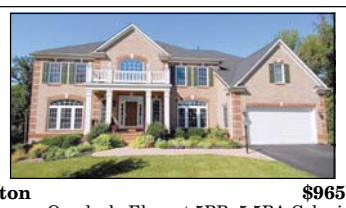

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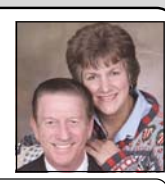

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