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HONORING HIS GREAT-GRANDFATHER



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Raymond Webster "Buck" Jones, left, salutes John Martin, a member of Fredericksburg-based Matthew Fontaine Maurey Camp 1722 Sons of Confederate Veterans, at the Belle Haven Baptist Church cemetery located on Quantico Marine Corps base Wednesday.

Confederate grave gets marker

By AILEEN M. STRENG
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If a headstone was placed on the grave of Charles William Jones when he was buried in 1909, it is long gone.

So is the Belle Haven Baptist Church that stood beside the cemetery and the village of Kopp that surrounded it.

Jones' great grandson, Raymond Webster "Buck" Jones, however, made sure that he wouldn't be forgotten. After five years of researching his family history, he was able to locate and prove to

the federal government where Charles Jones was buried in the Belle Haven Cemetery aboard the Quantico Marine Corps base.

"I'm 78 years old. Once I die, this would never have been done," Buck Jones said.

"He will not be forgotten as long as that stone is there," he said.

Since his great-grandfather served his country — albeit in the Confederate Army — Jones was able to get a headstone from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

"I was surprised they would do it for a Confederate soldier, but they did. All I had to pay for was to have someone put it up," he said.

Jones and his family and friends held a ceremony Wednesday morning at the Belle Haven cemetery, a fenced-in area in the western part of the Quantico base near Independent Hill. The Marines use the area for training and the cemetery is surrounded by a lot of

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Cons invests nets

By KEITH WALKER
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Prince William County police confiscated night goggles, a Glock semiautomatic pistol, a cell phone bill and a skinned animal from the home of Lynn Curtis, the 37-year-old Haymarket woman charged with conspiring to murder a Culpeper woman, according to a Prince William County search warrant.

Police said Curtis, 40, of Cheyenne Way, paid 17-year-old Daniela Munson \$1,000 to commit the murder, according to a criminal complaint filed March 30.

Police said that Curtis, Munson and Rodriguez, a 27-year-old woman's address they went to Culpeper

Woodbridge man guilty

By ROB SEAL
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A Woodbridge man pleaded guilty Wednesday to a charge that he failed to report \$900,000 in income to the federal government.

Dwight D. Vanover, 42, is in federal court in Alexandria for allegedly filing false income tax returns between 2001 and 2004 that concealed ownership of a home flooring business.

In 1996 and 1997, Vanover's flooring businesses reported a considerable payroll tax liability according to Internal Revenue Service spokesman Robert Brown.

In 1999, Vanover filed a bankruptcy reorganization plan, claiming a network saving he'd

Officials ask students not to protest Friday

By DANIEL GILBERT
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With plans in motion for a student protest on Friday, school officials and leaders in the Hispanic community are going on Spanish-language radio stations to halt the protest.

"Violent student protests are hurting the school system,"

Chavez, Consul-General of El Salvador, in an address Wednesday morning on station WKDL.

Chavez appealed to parents to keep their children from joining protests Friday, telling them it is "not authorized" and warning of potential violence, such as a stabbing that took place at a protest in Springfield last week.

on Radio Campeona 1420, warning students not to skip class.

It was the same message delivered by Superintendent Steven Walts on Monday, when he spoke on Radio Fiesta 1480.

And it was essentially the same message a mother gave her daughter, a student organizer, Wednesday afternoon.

Karla, an 18-year-old senior at Freedom High School.

Karla responded without looking at her mother.

"I don't really agree with the continuing protests," she said. "Some people say we're doing wrong."

Would she participate in a protest Friday?

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stest Friday has ks for a long time, ers say. Helping o organize is R- ader of the Work-

and wants to see the streetscape project completed. In addition to Vazquez and Shuryn, four other first-time candidates are seeking a council seat: Vicki L. Benjamin, Robert A. Hoffman Jr., Christopher A. Johnson and Nicole M. Tessitore.

Also, five incumbents are running for re-election: Bob Weir, Jay Tobias, Natasha Sikorsky, Sheila Jarboe and John Cole.

All town elections are non-partisan and will be held May 2.

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dent organizers in Prince William and Arlington counties and the cities of Manassas and Alexandria with a phone number and code to hold telephone conferences.

Karla says there have been four conferences that she knows of, which last around 45 minutes.

Juarez said he and his organization remain neutral in the student protests.

"We are supporting them in their fight," Juarez said, "but recommend they do it outside of the school schedule."

During one of the phone conferences, Karla said the students were advised not to attend school at all if they planned to participate in a protest that day.

dishwasher and other household appliances valued at \$18,400 were stolen from a construction site in the 8400 block of Mineral Springs Drive between 6 p.m. March 30 and 6 a.m. March 31.

DALE CITY
• Jewelry valued at \$500 was

nothing but trees and forestland.

It didn't used to be that way. Beginning in 1885, the little village of Kopp flourished for almost 60 years, and the Belle Haven Baptist Church was the center of much of the activities for the approximately 100 farming families who lived nearby. Aside from the church, there also was a country store, a school, a post office and the church.

In 1942, however, the village of Kopp ceased to exist when the federal government decided to expand the Quantico Marine Corps base and take about 50,000 acres. The families were paid for their land and displaced. At the time, the residents referred to it as "The Taking."

The Belle Haven church was demolished around 1945, but the Quantico Marine Corps base

tween 7 p.m. March 31 and 12:30 p.m. Tuesday.

DUMFRIES
• A Coach purse and two cell phones valued at \$1,200 were stolen from a vehicle in the 15500 block of Fancy Farm Court near the Ashland subdi-

was required to maintain that cemetery, as well as several smaller family cemeteries within the base.

During World War II, Quantico was in a hurry to train Marines and send them overseas as quickly as possible. The little cemetery took a beating as the Marines trained around it—and through it, according to a book about Kopp written by Raymond W. Woolfenden Sr., known to many as "Cousin Ray" Marines trampled over the graves and broke several tombstones until a tall fence was put around the area, Woolfenden wrote.

If Charles Jones' headstone fell victim to that training, it is not known. The location of his grave, however; Buck Jones remembers from childhood visits to the cemetery with his father.

"This is my great-grandfather," Jones said during the ceremony held on the cold and blustery April morning. "He went to church here with his family."

plates and the other was a white Cadillac with Maryland plates.

MANASSAS AREA
• A stereo, a receiver and a DVD player valued at \$400 were stolen from a vehicle in the 8500 block of Spruce Street between

Charles W. Jones, Co. B, 49th Virginia Infantry, Confederate States of America, 1835-1909."

In honor of the Confederate soldier, five members of the Matthew Fontaine Maurey Camp 1722, Sons of Confederate Veterans from Fredericksburg attended, dressed in Confederate uniforms and carrying period weapons. They participated in the ceremony, including firing a 21-gun salute and the playing of Taps.

"This is a great honor," Jones said after Taps was played. Jones said he started researching his family history after his brother expressed an interest in joining a Confederate reenactment group. In order to do so, he needed to prove he was related to a Confederate soldier; Jones took up the challenge,

WESTGATE
• A 1998 Ford Expedition valued at \$5,000 was stolen from the 10000 block of Portsmouth Road between 8:30 p.m. March 30 and 9 a.m. March 31.

which turned into a genealogy hobby
"I started out with one piece of paper: Five years later, I ended up with a thick book," Jones said.

He has scoured libraries throughout Prince William and from Manassas to Richmond. Birth certificates, Civil War records, census information and lots of photographs have all been neatly covered with plastic and placed in a 4-inch-thick binder.

"I'm still working on it," he said, adding that he hopes to turn it into a book, as are many of Jones' ancestors, neither will be forgotten.

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Lotteries 5/2

These numbers were drawn Wednesday, April 5:

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| District of Columbia | |
| Midday Lucky Nos | 6-1-3 |
| Midday D.C. Four | 3-8-6-3 |
| Lucky Numbers | 6-3-0 |
| D.C. Four | 2-1-2-2 |
| Rolling Cash 5 | 27-2-5-10-24 |