



KF senior Max Antwerpes takes the stand as the defendant in the mock trial

## Kenston college government students hold Mock Trial

The old courtroom in the historic Lunenburg County Courthouse came alive on Sat 12 Feb 2011 for a murder trial...at least a "mock" version.

The trial was part of the learning experience for Kenston seniors in Dr. John Allen's government class. As a Dual Enrollment class, students earn high school credit toward Kenston Forest graduation as well as college credit through Southside Virginia Community College.

The mock trial was based on an actual murder trial held in the 1980s in Alexandria, Virginia. The defendant, John Diamond, was accused of fatally shooting his girlfriend, waitress Trudi Doyle, in the diner where she worked. Kenston exchange student Max Antwerpes of Germany played the role of the defendant.

Other Kenston students played roles as witnesses, members of the prosecution team, defense team, medical examiners, and jury members.

Retired Lunenburg Judge Billy Wellons presided. Nottoway Commonwealth Attorney Mayo Gravatt, who visited Kenston earlier in the week to discuss court procedure, was in attendance to provide technical advice. Mr. Peter Hasso of Blackstone, who was instrumental in the coordination of the event, also attended. A bailiff from the Lunenburg County Sheriff's Department handcuffed the defendant and added authenticity to courtroom security.

After 2 hours of trial proceedings, the defendant was found guilty of 1st degree murder (mirroring the outcome of the actual trial). The mock trial defendant was sentenced to 40 years in the state penitentiary.

## Kenston Forest to host VCC basketball tournament at RBC

The 2011 Virginia Commonwealth Conference (VCC) basketball tournament will be held at Richard Bland College, with Kenston Forest serving as the host school. Initial pairings and home courts will be determined Fri 18 Feb for girls' teams and Mon 21 Feb for boys' teams.

### Mon 21 Feb - Varsity Quarterfinals

8 varsity girls' teams play (4 games). The top 4 teams are at their home gyms.

### Tue 22 Feb - Varsity Quarterfinals

8 varsity boys' teams play (4 games). The top 4 teams are at their home gyms.

### Wed 23 Feb - JV Semifinals

4 JV girls' teams play (2 games). The top 2 teams are at their home gyms.

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### Thu 24 Feb - No games scheduled

### Fri 25 Feb - Varsity Semifinals - RBC

Varsity girls' game (starts at 3 p.m.). The next varsity girls' game follows. The first varsity boys' game follows. The next varsity boys' game follows.

### Sat 26 Feb - Finals - RBC

JV girls' final (2 p.m.).  
JV boys' final (4 p.m.).  
Varsity girls' final (6 p.m.).  
Varsity boys' final (8 p.m.).

If you would like to assist the tournament hosting effort through various tasks from working the gate to carrying ice, please give the folks in the school office a call ASAP at (434) 292-7218.

## Kenston SGA to hold 2nd blood drive of the year

The Student Government Association will host a blood drive from 2-5 pm Wed 23 Feb 2011 through Virginia Blood Services (VBS). The event is planned for the cafeteria, unless VBS brings a "bloodmobile" to be parked in the gym parking lot.

## Fiber optic cable installation

Why have earthmoving machines been around campus? Why have there been orange cones in the parking lot? Why are there so many little blue flags along Ridge Road? These are all part of the new fiber optic cable being installed to bring unparalleled internet and phone service to Kenston. Look for details in an upcoming *Newsletter*.

## Bits and pieces

Mon 21 Feb: Standard school day. (Washington's Birthday holiday).

Wed 23 Feb: 7th grade hosts chapel.

Fri 25 Feb: Early release (1:00 p.m.)



Kenston Junior Hyunji Ha of South Korea

## International student profile: Hyunji Ha of South Korea

Kenston is proud to have eight students studying from countries across the globe. Hyunji Ha is living with hosts Gary and Susan Behler of Victoria.

*What is your hometown?* "I'm from the capital, Seoul, which has over 10 million people (the metropolitan area population is close to 25 million, the 2nd largest in the world)." *Describe your school at home.* "I attended middle school in Korea, before attending Central of Lunenburg a year ago. In Korea, we have similar classes as here, such as math, English, music, and art." *What languages do you speak?* "I speak Korean, English, a little Japanese, and I am learning Spanish." *Do you have any brothers or sisters?* "I have a little brother back in Korea." *What college would you like to attend?* "I will likely attend college back in Korea, and major in business or linguistics." *What are your hobbies?* "I enjoy playing the piano and baking." *How do some of the age limits in Korea compare to the United States?* "The minimum age to drive a car is 18. You must be 19 to purchase cigarettes, and you must be 20 to purchase alcoholic beverages."



Keep taking appropriate measures to combat colds and flu. The Kenston [News Weather Sports](#) web page has a link to the CDC Flu IQ quiz with tips.



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## Did you know?

The official designation (US Code) of the holiday next Monday is "Washington's Birthday" and NOT "President's Day." Washington was the only president who did not occupy the White House as President. George Washington was the first person to sign the US Constitution. In 1976, Congress said that no officer of the US Army should outrank Lieutenant General George Washington on the Army list, so Congress passed a resolution that the grade of General of the Armies of the United States was established, with such grade to have rank and precedence over all other grades of the Army, past or present. Washington's effective date as General of the Armies was July 4, 1976.



### Upcoming Girls Basketball

- 17 Feb: Fuqua School at KF
- 21 Feb: VCC varsity quarterfinal (TBA)
- 23 Feb: VCC JV semifinal (TBA)
- 25 Feb: VCC varsity semifinal at RBC
- 26 Feb: VCC varsity and JV final at RBC

### Upcoming Boys Basketball

- 15 Feb: KF at Blessed Sacrament
- 18 Feb: KF at Fuqua School
- 22 Feb: VCC varsity quarterfinal (TBA)
- 23 Feb: VCC JV semifinal (TBA)
- 25 Feb: VCC varsity semifinal at RBC
- 26 Feb: VCC varsity & JV final at RBC

Kenston Forest hosts the VCC basketball tournaments at Richard Bland College Fri 25 Feb – Sat 26 Feb.

Check the [www.kenston.org](http://www.kenston.org) news-weather-sports web page for times, driving directions, calendars, etc.

## Keep our deployed Cavalier Alumni in your prayers

If you would like us to include information about a deployed service member, please send the contact information to [jmilroy@kenston.org](mailto:jmilroy@kenston.org). It would be our honor to share the information in an upcoming edition of the *Newsletter*.

Jackie Morton (KF Class of 2005) is serving in Afghanistan with the US Army's Combat Engineer Corps.

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Matt Dark (KF Class of 2006) is also serving overseas as a welder in the US Marine Corps.

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