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The History of the Roberts/Chichester House

by William Page Johnson, II

Based on deed and tax records, the *Roberts/Chichester House*, located at 3701 Chain Bridge Road in the City of Fairfax, is thought to be at least 136 years old.

The present house was constructed in at least four distinct phases over the preceding 136 years. The initial phase of construction occurred in 1866, probably on the foundations of an earlier house constructed in 1851.^{1, 2} This earlier structure was destroyed during the Civil War.³ After the war a Charles G. Roberts acquired the lot and constructed a two-story, gabled-front, "Upright-and-wing" style house in late 1866. This is the extreme NE portion of the present house, or that portion located along Chain Bridge Road and Stratford Avenue. In 1872 the house was purchased by Cornelius and Sarah Speer. Adding on to the *wing* portion of the original house, the Speer's constructed a two-story, two-room addition to the east. The house was sold again in 1878 to Judge Daniel McCarty Chichester and his wife Agnes. The Chichester's added another two-story, two-room addition to the east about 1880 to accommodate their growing family. In 1936 Dr. Ford and Susie Swetnam added the shed addition for a

kitchen on the north-side facing Stratford Avenue.⁴ James and Elizabeth R.P. Shaw acquired the house in 1952 and made the final alterations. The garage and a second floor master bedroom were added at this time, as was the north side entrance parlor and porch.⁵

The parcel of land on which this house now stands was subdivided to its present size of just over one acre in 1872 – a fairly unusual occurrence at the time as Fairfax was then largely an agrarian community of mid-sized farms. This small parcel was part of an original Land Grant of 1,093 acres from Thomas, 6th Lord Fairfax to George Mason, II in 1714.⁶ George Mason, II was the grandfather of George Mason, IV, of Gunston Hall, the author of the Bill of Rights and for whom George Mason University is named.

The Mason Patent of 1714 passed from father to son and remained intact and in the Mason family for well over one hundred years. The Mason family owned vast quantities of land in Fairfax County and elsewhere that exceeded 13,000 acres in all. Most of this land was farmed directly by the Mason's but leased to others for that purpose as well. The Mason family never actually lived on the 1714 Land Patent. Evidence of their lease arrangements can be seen in a deed of lease to Thomas Love "...containing one hundred



Oldest portion (c. 1866) of the Roberts/Chichester House, 3701 Chain Bridge Rd. Photo taken from Chain Bridge Rd.

Civil War Exhibition Highlights Renovated Fairfax Museum and Visitor

Contributed by
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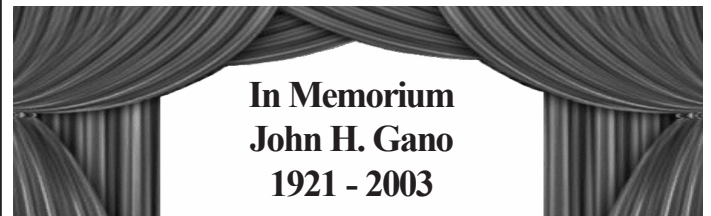
When the old Fairfax Elementary School (converted into the Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center in 1992) was erected in 1873, a combination of public and private funds resulted in the first two-story brick schoolhouse in Fairfax County. The museum's first major renovation continues this public-private partnership, with City funds supplemented by \$115,000 contributed through private donations collected over several years by Historic Fairfax City, Inc.

Renovations include new exhibition cases and state-of-the-art lighting in a redesigned main gallery showing rotating exhibitions, beginning with Raids, Romance, Writings: Fairfax Court House in the Civil War. A grand re-opening was held on April 12, with an open house, a tour of the new exhibit by Curator Susan Gray, Civil War re-enactors from the 17th Virginia Infantry and children's activities. The ceremony led by Mayor Robert Lederer included a dedication of the remodeled main gallery in honor of John Gano, founding member of the museum and president of HFCI during its formative years from 1990-1996.

Changes in the visitor center include new furniture in the Arts and Crafts style harmonizing with the building's 1912 date and original function as a brick schoolhouse. Other new features include an expanded gift shop with Civil War items, a seating area, and a 60-inch flat screen monitor—encased in a school blackboard to reflect old and new learning technologies—showing historic images and special programs. Additional monitors display Cityscreen Channel 12 and a new information kiosk provides access to Fairfax County's CRIS information system. Other technical improvements include a closed circuit video security system and multi-zone sound system. The major upgrade will showcase the City of Fairfax for heritage tourism and attract repeat local visitation including school tours.

The new Civil War exhibition provides a personal, biographical approach to Fairfax's role in the Civil War, through display of original objects related to camp life and numerous quotations and writings in manuscripts, diaries, and even an original section of the Gunnell House wall containing several Union soldier signatures. The exhibition will be on display through

December. Other new exhibits include Fairfax Treasures on the second floor, and Historic Postcard Views of Fairfax: Images from the Tony Chaves Antique Postcard Collection on the new HistoryMax video screen in the Visitor Center, and Fairfax Historic Landmarks and Sites: Watercolors by Shelley Rentsch in the first-floor Hall Gallery. For more information call (703) 385-8414 or visit www.ci.fairfax.va.us.



John Gano was born April 3, 1921 in Pittsburg, PA and raised in Mainsfield, OH John and his family moved to the City of Fairfax in 1973.

As a young man he attended Northwestern University. At the outset of World War II he received an appointment to the United States Naval Academy where he graduated in 1943. During the war he served in the Pacific on board the destroyers *USS Bullard*, *Isherwood*, *Massey*, *DeHaven* and *McNair*.

After the war he was the Port Liaison Officer in Alexandria, Egypt during the evacuation of American nationals there in 1956. He also participated in the Lebanon Crisis in 1958. He served on the staff of the Commander, Middle East Forces in Bahrain. Shore duty assignment included London, England and Key West, Florida. He retired from active duty as the commanding officer of the Explosive Ordinance Disposal Facility in Indian Head, MD.

As a civilian John worked for SWL, Inc. as an internal security officer from 1967 to 1988. After retiring from SWL John volunteered his time with Historic Fairfax City, Inc. He joined the Board of Directors and served as president of the organization from 1989 until declining health forced him to step down in 1995.

During his tenure as HFCI president he headed a fund-raising campaign and lead a bond task force that insured the restoration of the Fairfax Elementary School Annex and creation of the Fairfax Museum and Visitors Center, which opened in July 1992. The bond funds also secured the restoration of the Ratcliffe-Allison House and Old Town. He also worked with city planners to establish an historic preservation district for Old Town Fairfax and to link the museum with the Virginia Visitors

From the Desk of the President-

Fairfax, Virginia, April 2003-

Greetings from the President -

Thank you for your response to our membership drive and I'd like to welcome all the new members to HFCI and hope you will all plan to attend our General Meeting on May 22 at Old Town Hall. We hope you, and all our members and guests, will enjoy spending some time in the "days before" with the items and stories that go with them. It's been a pleasure to meet many of you at our events these past few months and I am looking forward to seeing you again.

The Board Members, Volunteers and Historic Resources Staff have been very busy this Spring. My hats off to all who worked so hard on events that just kept coming, and coming – beginning with the grand re-opening of the renovated Museum and Visitors Center and introduction of the new exhibit "Raids, Romance, and Writings: Fairfax Court House in the Civil War" on April 11th. Right on its heels, on April 26th, the Historic Homes Tour – a wonderful variety of architectural styles, furnishings and family memorabilia shared with us by six gracious families in Fairfax City. Most recently, the weekend of May 3 & 4 we hosted "Civil War Days" at the historic Blenheim Estate.

It is highly unlikely that all of this would have been accomplished without the energy and support of about 150 willing and giving members, volunteers, and City staff members. This support enables us to gain the strides and objective's to "preserve and promote" history in Fairfax City and beyond. Our plans for the future are ambitious, and if we are to continue in our work, we will need the continued financial support of our existing members, plus membership growth as well. And so I ask you to take a moment and think of someone who might want to join or make a donation to HFCI and ask them to complete the membership form and return it with their check.

My thanks to our Editor, Page Johnson and the many who contributed to this newsletter.

Contributions from you are welcome – do you have an interesting story to share? Let's hear from you. Thank you again for your support.

Hildie Carney, President
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John H. Gano... - continued from pg. 1

Bureau.

John also served on the Fairfax Round Table, a group that worked for over two years to publish a history of the City of Fairfax: *A City Traveling Through Time*.

In addition to his history interests, John was a member and former adjutant of VFW Post 8469, in Fairfax. He was also a member of the Society of Cincinnati, the Mount Gulian Society, the USNA Alumni Association, and Naval Intelligence Professionals.

In 2000, John served as Honorary Grand Marshal for the City of Fairfax Independence Day Parade.

John died January 21, 2003 at age 81 in Hatboro, PA from pneumonia and Alzheimer's disease. He was interred in Arlington National Cemetery February 21, 2003. He is survived by his wife of 38 years, the former Joan Romanchik, his son David and wife Dianna, and two grandchildren, Hannah and Rachel.

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ALBERT FAIRFAX, M. D.
Physician and Surgeon,

FAIRFAX C. H.

Can be found at his office in the village during the day, when not professionally engaged. At night at the residence of Herbert C. Fairfax.

Messages left at the store of Messrs Ford & Hunt, will receive prompt attention.

Editor Notes: Albert Fairfax was an early physician in Fairfax. Herbert C. Fairfax (1838-1890) undoubtedly a relative, lived at Mt. Ada where the Mosby Building (10560 Main St.) now stands. Source: Fairfax News 12/14/1873

House History... - continued from pg. 1

acres..." that was recorded in Fairfax County in 1752 which lease also named an earlier tenant, "...being that plantation whereon Ambrose Nelson lately lived...."⁷

Ownership by the Mason family ended in 1833 with John Mason, son of George Mason, IV. In the 1820's John Mason and his wife Anna Maria mortgaged the property to the Bank of the United States in order to secure debts they had incurred. When they defaulted on the note ownership was transferred to the Bank.⁸ The Bank of the United States owned the property for the next five years and possibly experienced difficulty selling the property due to the Panic of 1833 and 1837.¹

In 1838 the property was acquired from the Bank of the United States by three men from Philadelphia, PA, Joseph Copperthwait, Thomas Dunlap & Herman Cope.¹⁰ Nineteenth century Philadelphia City directories show that Herman Cope was an officer for a number of years the Bank of the United States. After the Second Bank's Federal Charter was not renewed by President Jackson it was re-chartered by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as the Bank of the United States of Pennsylvania. By 1844 Herman had become the re-chartered Bank's Superintendent of the Supervised Debt.¹¹

In 1839 the Philadelphia trio of Copperthwait, Dunlap, & Cope sold the property to Hachaliah and Mary Rafter (Purdy) Bailey.¹² Although Hachaliah Bailey was undoubtedly just speculating in the land, his ownership is significant as he is a noteworthy figure in American history. Bailey is widely accepted as the 'Father of the American Circus' In the 1830's he formed a traveling animal menagerie around an elephant named *Old Bet*. He then teamed with Phineas T. Barnum in the 1870's to form the Barnum and *Bailey* Circus - "The Greatest Show on Earth." Locally, Hachaliah Bailey is more closely associated with Bailey's Cross Roads area of Fairfax County, where he lived seasonally and which location still bears his name.

In 1840 Hachaliah & Mary Bailey sold the property to Gilbert and Nathaniel Purdy.¹³ Undoubtedly, Mary (*Purdy*) Bailey was in some way related to Gilbert and Nathaniel Purdy. The Purdy's owned the property for seven years until 1847 when they sold a small 2-acre parcel to an Irish immigrant by the name of Barney Drury.¹⁴

Barney Drury was b. Roscomon, Ireland abt. 1799. He emigrated to Eastport, ME from Sligo, Ireland in July 1830. He declared his intention of becoming a U.S. Citizen in Washington, D.C. on April 13, 1841 and stated that he had resided in Fairfax County since that time. He took the oath of citizenship in Fairfax County on November 4, 1845.¹⁵ In 1848 Barny Drury and John Dulaney, another Irish immigrant, traded parcels of land. However, both failed to execute deeds to the other. As a result

the matter had to be settled by the Fairfax County Circuit Court when the properties were sold again.¹⁶

John Dulaney came to Virginia about 1846. He resided first in Alexandria, VA. He served in the Mexican War as a Private, Co. L, 1st Virginia Volunteer Infantry.¹⁷ After being discharged he returned to Virginia and settled in Fairfax. He acquired the 2-acre house and lot on Chain Bridge Road where he operated a tavern.¹⁸ Owing to its proximity to Fairfax C.H. and location on a main road, this would have been a ideal place for a tavern. John Dulaney operated the tavern and lived at this location from 1848 to 1857. In 1857 he sold the house and lot to Minor Lee Thompson and his wife Emma (Ferris) Thompson.¹⁹ Minor Thompson (1832-1907) was an area carpenter and builder. Minor was also a confederate soldier who served as a Private Co. A, 43rd Btl. Va. Cav., a.k.a. Mosby's Rangers.²⁰

The Thompson's owned the property during the Civil War. There is an undocumented story connecting this house to Mosby's famous raid on Fairfax Court House in which Union General Edwin Stoughton was captured. On the night of May 9, 1863 several of Stoughton's Vermont troops were alleged to have gotten drunk at the Tavern? owned by the Thompson's rendering them incapable of assisting in the defense of the Fairfax C.H.²¹ However, there is no evidence that the Thompson's were innkeepers. Furthermore, surviving records indicate that the building was destroyed sometime during the war.

In 1866 the Thompson's sold the lot to Charles G. Roberts.²² Later that year Roberts rebuilt the earlier house probably on the foundations of the former structure. His widow, Estha (Speer) Roberts further subdivided the property in 1872 and sold the portion containing the house lot to her brother Cornelius H. Speer and his wife Sarah A. Speer.²³ The current lot size of approximately 1-acre has remained unchanged since this date.

Cornelius & Sarah Speer sold the house and lot to Daniel McCarty & Agnes Robinson (Moncure) Chichester in 1878.²⁴ "Mac" Chichester was a prominent citizen of Fairfax during the last half of the 19th c. He was a confederate veteran having served as a Pvt., Co. D, 17th Va. Inf., "*Fairfax Rifles*." He also served as a Sgt., in McGregor's Battery, Stuart's Horse Artillery.²⁵ After the Civil War he returned to Fairfax where he learned the trade of law being admitted to the Fairfax County Bar. He rose quickly in the legal profession to become Chief Judge of the Fairfax County Circuit Court. In addition, to his legal career he served as Superintendent of the Fairfax County Public Schools in 1874, and one term in the Virginia House of Delegates 1885-1887. Several of his children went on to prestigious careers as well.² It is believed that Mac Chichester significantly enlarged the house during this time to accommodate

his large family. When Mac Chichester died in 1897 the property passed to his wife Agnes. She remained there until 1902 when she moved to her ancestral home "Glencairne" in Stafford Co., VA.

The property was then purchased by Robert & Mary Elizabeth Wiley.²⁷ Robert Wiley was a confederate soldier having served as 2nd Sgt., Co. K, 19th Ga. Inf. Returning to Virginia he was elected Commissioner of the Revenue for Fairfax County from 1871-1891. Subsequently, he was elected Treasurer of Fairfax County, a position he held for 24 years.²⁸ The Wiley's lived in the home for twenty years until Mary Wiley's death in 1923.

In 1923 the property was purchased by Dr. Ford H. & Susan (Jeffries) Swetnam who had previously lived in the Town of Vienna.²⁹ Dr. Swetman received his medical license in 1909 and was listed of the Fairfax County Medical Register in 1913.³⁰ Dr. Swetnam was a one of a small number of physicians then practicing in Fairfax. He and his wife were both active in civic affairs. In 1922, one year after the 19th Amendment to the Constitution giving women the right to vote was ratified, Susan Swetnam became the first woman ever elected to the Vienna Town Council, and was one of the first three women to ever hold elected office in Fairfax County.³¹

Lennig and Helen Sweet acquired the property in 1936 and resided there until 1942.³² Lennig Sweet (1893-1973) was the son of Colorado Governor William Ellery Sweet (1923-1925). He received a BA from Princeton University in 1916. He was a veteran of WW I serving in the US Army Signal Corps. He met and married Helen Firman in 1918. The Sweets spent the many years as educators in China both at Yenching University and with the YMCA there. While he and his wife occupied the house Lenning Sweet was employed by the Social Security Administration in Washington, D.C. His personal papers are now archived in the Yale University Library, Divinity Library Special Collections, New Haven, CT.³³

In 1942 the Sweet's sold the house to Alfred G. and Marna J. Toombs.³⁴ Alfred Gerald Toombs (1912-1986) attended the University of Maryland where he was a member of Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity. Toombs was an author whose novels include: *Raising a Riot*, c. 1949; *Honey Moon For Seven*, c. 1951; and, *Good as Gold* c. 1955. Several of his novels were adapted into 'off-broadway' plays. In addition to novels Toombs also wrote several articles for national magazines: *Colliers* (*There's Another War*, Apr. 1, 1944) and *American Magazine* (*Ration Racketeers*, Aug. 1942), to name a few.

James C. and Elizabeth R.P. Shaw purchased the house in 1952.³⁵ James Clair Shaw (? -1989) was a Lt. in the US Navy during WWII. He served in the Pacific on board the *USS Atlanta*. He married Elizabeth R. Perkins after her first husband and his good friend, Lt. (jg) Van Ostrand Perkins, was killed in

action on board the *USS Birmingham*. Following the war Elizabeth R.P. Shaw taught at Choate Preparatory School in Wallingford, CT. Recently, she wrote *Beside Me Still: A Memoir of Love and Loss in World War II*, c. 2002, Naval Institute Press, Inc., Annapolis, MD. She now lives in Keene NH.

Maurice Thatcher and Janet F. Paris acquired the home in 1947. Maurice Thatcher Paris was a candidate for Fairfax Town Council in 1950.³⁶ He was also Vice President of the Fairfax County Historical Society in that same year.³⁷ A Maurice T. Paris (1919-1994) and a Janet F. Paris (1911-1991) both died in Georgetown, SC.³⁸ Little else is known of the Paris'.

Guerin & Ann Todd owned the home from 1955 to 1977. Guerin Todd (1917-1999) was a graduate of Princeton University (1938) and a member of the board of directors of the National Bank of Fairfax. He was also a member of the Board of Directors of the Northern Virginia Community College. He was married to Ann Harriett Wilkinson.

The Todd's sold the home to the most recent owners, Claude and Judith Clarke.

Earlier this year the Clarke's sold this property to Landmark Communities who intend to construct several new homes on the site. However, Landmark has agreed to restore the Roberts/Chichester House!

Chain of Title

3701 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, VA

Dates	Ownership
1977-Present	Claude L. & Judith Clarke
1955-1977	Guerin & Ann W. Todd
1952-1955	James C. & Elizabeth R.P. Shaw
1947-1952	Maurice Thatcher & Janet F. Paris
1942-1947	Alfred Gerald & Marna Jane Toombs
1936-1942	Lennig & Helen F. Sweet
1923-1936	Dr. Ford & Susan Swetnam
1902-1923	Robert & Mary Elizabeth Wiley
1878-1902	Daniel M. & Agnes R. Chichester
1872-1878	Cornelius H. & Sarah A. Speer
1866-1872	Charles G. & Ophelia E. Roberts
1857-1866	Minor L. & Emma (Ferris) Thompson
1848-1857	John Dulaney
1847-1848	Barney & Elizabeth Drury
1840-1847	Gilbert & Nathaniel Purdy
1839-1840	Hachaliah L. & Mary R Bailey
1838-1839	J.Copperthwait, T. Dunlap & H. Cope
1833-1838	The Bank of the United States
1792-1833	John & Anna Maria Mason
1735-1792	George Mason, IV, of Gunston Hall
1716-1735	George Mason, III (1690-1735)
1714-1716	George Mason, Jr. (1660-1716)

-contd. from pg. 5**(Footnotes)**

¹ The financial panics (recessions) of 1833 and 1837 were the results of intense land speculation and banking experiments in the United States the 1830s.

When Andrew Jackson became President, in 1829, he very quickly manifested a dislike for the National Bank, which he declared to be corrupt, dangerous, and unconstitutional. His first hostile action against the Bank came in 1833 when he removed all government deposits from it, which he distributed among smaller State banks. This measure produced a storm of opposition, greatly disturbed the conditions of business, and caused general distress in the industrial community – the Panic of 1833.

However, the removal of government deposits from the central bank contributed to the unprecedented growth of state and wildcat banks which offered many more people the opportunity to borrow money with great ease, and a sizeable portion was invested in the purchase of land. As a result, government land sales soared. The land offices recorded that in 1836 the sales were ten times greater than they had been five years earlier.

An alarmed President Jackson attempted to limit the speculative fever and issued his now famous Specie Circular in 1836, which ordered land offices to accept only gold or silver in payment of public lands. Many state banks did not have specie backing and this caused a decline in borrowers, a drop in land sales, numerous defaulted payments and the financial crisis that came to be known as The Panic of 1837.

² Richard Henry Lee Chichester (1870-1930), Associate Justice Virginia Supreme Court; President, Free-Lance Star Newspaper, Fredericksburg, VA
Cassius Moncure Chichester, Esq. (1882-1950); Dr. Peyton Moncure Chichester, MD (1884-1957); Francis Moncure Chichester, Esq. (- 1946)

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Roberts/Chichester House from Stratford Avenue. Earliest portion of house on right.



Roberts/Chichester House looking west. 1952 Garage in the foreground. Earliest portion of house, "Upright-and-wing on right.

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**Occupations in the
Town of Fairfax in 1860**

Apprentices	2	Laborers	11
Attorneys	6	Ladys	10
Bakers	4	Livery Stable	1
Blacksmiths	1	Machinists	1
Boarding Houses	1	Masons	2
Cabinetmakers	1	Merchants	5
Carpenters	6	Milliners	2
Carriage Makers	1	Ministers	2
Clerks	7	Painters	1
Confectioners	2	Physicians	2
Constables	1	Postmasters	1
Coopers	5	Printers	1
County Clerks	1	School Teachers	2
Dentists	1	Seamstresses	8
Domestics	2	Sheriffs	1
Drovers	1	Shoemakers	2
Editors	1	Students	2
Farmers	21	Tailors	4
Gentlemen	5	Wheelwrights	1
Hotel Keepers	1	Widows	17
		Total	146


FAIRFAX FAST FACT:

Did know that Fairfax has a connection to the famous *Gunfight at the OK Corral* which occurred October 26, 1881 in Tombstone, Arizona, between the Earp brothers and the Clantons and McLaurys.

Before there was a town of Fairfax there was only an Inn, or "Ordinary" located at the crossroads of the Falls Church Road (Rt. 237) and the Ox Road (Rt. 123), "Earp's Ordinary" was operated by Caleb Earp (1734-1799). *Caleb Earp was the Great-great-great uncle of Virgil , Wyatt and Morgan Earp!*

**HFCI MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/
RENEWAL**

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"I know not what course others may take. But as for me give me liberty or give me death."
- Patrick Henry, 1775

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