

## Oh, What A Night!

**National Night Out promotes police-community partnerships.**

BY JEANNE THEISMANN  
GAZETTE PACKET

The enthusiasm was infectious across Alexandria as dozens of neighborhoods came together Aug. 7 to celebrate National Night Out, a program designed to promote neighborhood spirit and law enforcement-community partnerships in the fight against crime.

"This is part of a national strategy to connect communities in these kinds of efforts," said David Mineta, a 1981 graduate of T.C. Williams High

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**Sheriff's deputy Anthony Zygmunt, right, gives Nicolas Sheils, 9, a chance to sit on a sheriff's department motorcycle.**



**Sheriff Dana Lawhorne holds Fenton Heckel, 3, as Natasha Bertetti, 7, stands by his side during National Night Out festivities Aug. 7 at the Mount Vernon Recreation Center field.**

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**Northridge resident Ray Kazanjian talks with Deputy Sheriff Tim Gleeson at the block party on Oakcrest Drive.**

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## A Stark Choice

**Special election offers clear distinction between candidates.**

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE  
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The summer of 2012 is turning out to be the hottest political season in recent memory, and not just because of the record-breaking temperatures. In less than four weeks, voters in the 45th District of the House of Delegates will select a replacement for Del. David Englin (D-45), who is stepping down at the end of this month after acknowledging being unfaithful in his marriage. The race features Democrat Rob Krupicka against Republican Tim McGhee.

"This is probably going to be one of the lowest turnout elections in a long time," said Kyle Kondik, analyst with the University of Virginia Center for Politics. "But I think it's pretty safe to say this is a safe seat for Democrats, so Krupicka shouldn't have any problems. But who knows?"

Under normal circumstances,

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**McGhee**



**Krupicka**

the Democratic candidate would easily prevail in true blue Northern Virginia, especially in a district that stretches from south Arlington through eastern Alexandria into southeast Fairfax County. But the dynamics of a special election are different, potentially favoring Republicans if they are able to mobilize their base. Because Democrats tend to show up in large numbers for general elections, Republicans have a better chance at winning in special elections, when turnout is reduced.

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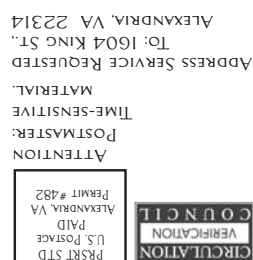
**Enrollment spikes again as schools prepare for opening day.**

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE  
GAZETTE PACKET

With the first day of school fast approaching for most of the city's public schools, central administration officials are scrambling to respond to dramatic en-

rollment increases. It's a trend that began four years ago, when declining enrollment ended and students started coming back to Alexandria City Public Schools. The most recent enrollment projections show T.C. Williams High School will

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## Rosemont Arrest

Alexandria police officers have arrested a man they say is responsible for a rash of burglaries from automobiles over the last few months in the Rosemont neighborhood. On Monday, the Alexandria Police Department announced the arrest of **Vincent Edward Evans**, 20, of Alexandria in connection with a series of burglaries and larcenies from automobiles.

Detectives are charging Evans with two burglaries, one in the 300 block of West Masonic View Avenue and the other in the 100 block of East Linden Street. For these two cases, Evans has been charged with two counts of conspiring to commit burglary and two counts of conspiring to commit grand larceny. Evans was also charged with one count of petit larceny and one count of possession of marijuana with intent to distribute. He is being held without bond in the city jail.

"At this point, we are still trying to figure out which ones he may have been involved with," said Sgt. Michael Kochis, who works in the detective bureau. "This is still an ongoing investigation."

## Another Parking Scam

Three years ago, Alexandria detectives arrested a city employee for stealing buckets of quarters from parking meters. Now authorities are looking into another parking scam, although this one is decidedly more high tech.

**Gente Yigzu**, 46, of Alexandria was one of three Parking Management employees arrested last weekend by the Smithsonian Office of Inspector General and the Federal Bureau of Investigation after finishing her shift Saturday afternoon. Federal prosecutors say she was part of a scheme to steal at least \$400,000 of visitor parking fees at the Smithsonian Institution's Udvar-Hazy Center in Chantilly. She faces a maximum of 10 years in prison if convicted.

"Yigzu is accused of stealing as much as \$1,185 on a single day," said **Peter Carr**, public information officer for the U.S. Attorney's office.

Prosecutors say footage from closed-circuit television cameras shows Yigzu and two other Parking Management employees repeatedly unplugging electronic vehicle counters to manipulate the vehicle count. Visitors to the museum pay \$15 per vehicle.

## Like, Protection

Have you hit the "Like" button for Connection Newspapers, which publishes the Alexandria Gazette? If so, that simple act could be protected by the First Amendment.

This week, the American Civil Liberties Union of Virginia filed a friend-of-the-court brief in the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals arguing that when Facebook users hit the "like" button they are engaging in speech protected by the First Amendment.

"People are increasingly using social media to engage in political activities," said **Rebecca Glenberg**, legal director for the ACLU of Virginia. "Just because some interactions on social media can be accomplished with a single click does not mean that they don't express a point of view."

The case arose in Hampton, where employees of the Sheriff's Office argued that their freedom of speech was violated when they were fired after they hit the "like" button for the sheriff's opponent during an election.

## Waterfront Scoreboard

Three separate lawsuits are moving forward in the ongoing saga of the waterfront plan, with no resolution in sight for the controversial small-area plan. Two cases are currently before the Alexandria Circuit Court, an appeal brought by the city to contest the Board of Zoning Appeals. The Circuit Court is also hearing a challenge brought by two citizens charging that the plan is "arbitrary and capricious." A third challenge is on file with the Virginia Supreme Court, which will determine whether or not to hear the case later this year.

A trial date for the city's challenge of the Board of Zoning Appeals is expected to be scheduled next week.

— MICHAEL LEE POPE

# News

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**Vivian Yun and Maxie Gluckman snap a photo of themselves wearing the celebration favors, a bright red fire helmet.**



**Beth Kiesner of "All College Stuff" offered her line of tie dyed t-shirts and dresses for sale at the annual firehouse festival.**



**The current Friendship Firehouse was built in 1855, underwent remodeling in 1871 and was restored in 1992. The firehouse now serves as a city museum.**

## Friendship Firehouse Marks 238th Birthday

**T**he 100 block of S. Alfred Street was blocked off on Saturday, Aug. 5 for the annual Friendship Firehouse birthday celebration. Established in 1774, the Friendship Fire Company was the first volunteer fire company in Alexandria. Alexandria fire personnel brought in fire trucks for visitors to explore while the museum held an open house.

More than 1,000 visitors passed through the museum during the celebration.

**Station 204 firefighter Rick Muse helps Ben down from one of the fire trucks on display at the festival.**



**Kiara Randhawa displays some of her hand-made earrings that were for sale at the annual birthday celebration.**



**Susan Allen, wife of U.S. Senate Republican candidate George Allen, stops and talks with Lt. David Denardo and John Renner. Allen made a visit to the second floor of the firehouse museum to view the framed photo of her father-in-law Coach George Allen. The coach was a member of the Friendship Veterans Fire Engine Association and his picture hangs on the wall of the museum.**



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## OBITUARY

### Clifton Elmer Howard

Clifton Elmer Howard died on Aug. 1, 2012 while being treated for congestive heart failure at Fauquier Health Rehabilitation & Nursing Center located at Warrenton, Va. He was 92 years old. A lifelong Alexandria resident, Cliff was born on April 22, 1920 at the family residence located at 113 S. Patrick St.

He graduated from George Washington High School in 1939 and entered the U.S. Army as a rifleman in 1944. He returned to Alexandria after being honorably discharged from the army as a disabled veteran in 1945. Cliff remained at 113 S. Patrick St. until he married Margaret Miller in 1962 and the newlyweds moved to 2604 Davis Ave. in the Braddock Heights neighborhood of his beloved City of Alexandria.

Cliff worked as a clerk for the Federal Government and retired after over 40 years of service.

The loving couple remained together on Davis Avenue until the late '90s, when Margaret, who was suffering from Alzheimer's disease, required around the clock care that Cliff was unable to provide. With heavy heart, Cliff moved Margaret into Woodbine Nursing Home, but did not abandon her there; he spent the majority of every day with her until her death on June 30, 1999.

Cliff remained in Alexandria for several more years, until he moved to Amissville to live with his step daughter Carol Metz.

Cliff was reluctant to leave Alexandria. His family



had first arrived there in 1737. Howard Street was named after his family and Minnie Howard Elementary (now the 9th grade annex for T.C. Williams High School, but still bearing her name) was named after his grandmother, a tireless social worker and children's advocate at the turn of the last century. Like his father before him, Cliff had been a member of the Alexandria Harmonizers Barber Shop Chorus. He was a member of the Odd fellows Potomac Lodge 38 and an active member of Westminster Presbyterian Church on Cameron Mills Road.

Cliff moved into Fauquier Health Rehabilitation and Nursing Center in 2011 and his wit and upbeat attitude made him an instant hit with the staff. At the end of July 2012, he checked into the adjacent hospital to be treated for congestive heart failure. He returned to the Nursing Center July 31 and died on Aug. 1.

Clifton was predeceased by his parents William and Katherine Howard, his brother Nelson Howard, sister in law Oceola Howard and his wife Margaret Howard.

Clifton is survived by his nephew Phillip Howard of Kissimmee, Fla., his step daughters Carol Metz of Amissville, Va. and Linda Hutchison of Colorado Springs, Colo.

He is also survived by grandchildren John Metz of Marshal, Va., Julie Roberts of Amissville, Paul "Tony" Allen of Vail, Colo., David "Chris" Allen of Alexandria and seven great-grandchildren.

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## NEWS

# He's Legionnaire of the Year

**Jim Glassman, Vietnam veteran,  
first to win award in history of Post 24.**

BY JEANNE THEISMANN  
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**J**im Glassman walked into Alexandria's American Legion Post 24 on July 25 expecting the Executive Committee meeting he was attending to be routine. But his fellow officers and board members knew otherwise.

"I was completely taken aback," said Glassman as he was presented with the 2012 Virginia Legionnaire of the Year Award, a first in the 83-year history of the historic Old Town post. "I'm not a 'rah, rah' guy. I prefer just to stay in the background and do my job."

A Vietnam veteran, Glassman joined the American Legion more than 39 years ago. He serves as the Adjutant for Post 24 and is the District 17 Administrator for American Legion Baseball throughout northern Virginia.

"I did not join the American Legion 39 years ago for recognition," Glassman said. "I joined because I believe in the principles that the Legion stands for."

Post 24 Commander Bill Aramony nominated



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**Virginia's Legionnaire of the Year Jim Glassman enjoys an event at Post 24 in Alexandria with granddaughters Lily Moody, 11, Evelyn Moody, 5, and Ella Moody, 8.**

Glassman for the award.

"I can think of no one who deserves this award more than Jim Glassman," Aramony said. "He has truly earned this award not only for what he has done in the past, but for what I know he will do for The

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## PEOPLE



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Emma Rainard and Maya Parker practice their skills.



Bryce Hartigan releases the halyard that holds the mainsail.



Nora Stanko and Katie McCoy sail through the lagoon at the sailing marina tacking to get back into the dock for lunch on the first day of class.

## First Day Out

The summer sailing camp at the Washington Sailing Marina on Daingerfield Island is in full tilt as the students take to boats and try their hands at navigating the wind and sails. The first day of the summer weekly classes brings the students out on the Sunfish. Staying out of

the no-go zone is the objective. The object is to tact and move the sail and tiller so the wind powers the boat.

By noon most of the students have a sense of it. Classes run all summer. For more information, visit [www.washingtonsailingmarina.com](http://www.washingtonsailingmarina.com).



Sailing instructor Connor Anderson has spent the last 10 summers on the river: The first five years as a student and the second five as an instructor. Connor is an upcoming sophomore at Colorado Mountain College in Steamboat Springs, Colo.

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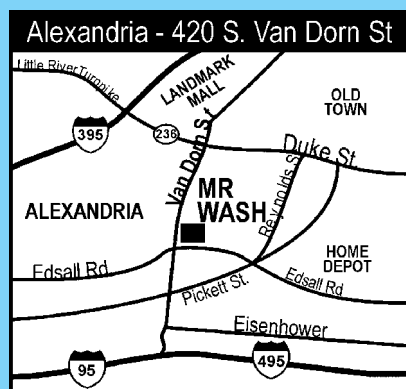
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## NEWS



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Members of American Legion Post 24 in Alexandria gather to congratulate Jim Glassman, seated second from right, on his selection as Virginia's 2012 Legionnaire of the Year. Pictured standing are (from left) Fred Brink, Erik Campbell, Eric Young, Sam Moore, Jim Taylor, Paul Moffett, Jerome Schorr, Walter Clarke, John Bordner and Eric Beckman. Seated (from left) are Warden Foley, Post 24 Commander Bill Aramony, Legionnaire of the Year Jim Glassman and Bill McNamara.

## Glassman Receives Statewide Honor

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American Legion in the future."

In addition to his 15-year tenure as Post 24's baseball coach, Glassman serves as the Communications Officer and the VA and Rehabilitation Service Officer, assisting members with Department of Veterans Affairs claims. Additionally, he pays monthly visits to Post 24 members living in assisted living facilities.

"Jim is the first one to volunteer his time and services to help our veterans," Aramony said. "But he is also the last person to ever talk about it."

Glassman is a regular Saturday morning fixture at the Old Town Farmer's Market, manning the Post 24 table and sharing information on the many Legion programs that are supported in the community.

"It is a great honor to be selected by the Department of Virginia as their Legionnaire of the Year," said Glassman, who was also named the District and



**Jim Glassman, a member of Alexandria's American Legion Post 24, holds the Virginia State 2012 Legionnaire of the Year Award.**

**"I am very humbled. To be selected means that we, at Post 24, were recognized by our colleagues for the hard work we do and will continue to do."**

**— Legionnaire of the Year  
Jim Glassman**

Regional Legionnaire of the Year. "There are many Legionnaires throughout Virginia whose work is just as important in their communities. To be selected means that we, at Post 24, were recognized by our colleagues for the hard work we do and will continue to do."

## Becoming a Member

The American Legion is an organization of veterans from across the country, divided up into chapters by state and post by county and city. To join, members must be a veteran of a wartime era.

"You don't have to have been in action," said Jim Glassman, a member of Post 24 and Virginia's 2012 Legionnaire of the Year. "But you do have to have been active military during a wartime period."

In the Alexandria-based Post 24, several members served in World War II, including Col. Bill McNamara, the publisher of Stars and Stripes that led a six-man detachment across Omaha Beach on D-Day 1944, and Col. Kim Ching, who as a teen survived the bombing of Pearl Harbor and went on to serve in World War II, Korea and Vietnam.

"We've got a fantastic history with our members," Glassman said. "They are true heroes."

The American Legion focuses on serving veterans, whether they are members or not. Legionnaires volunteer to take other vets to the doctor, make hospital visits and attend funerals. Community involvement spans from collaboration with schools to American Legion Baseball.

"We're trying to make a difference in the world," said Post 24 Commander Bill Aramony. "A lot of people don't understand what we do. We're here to help and serve the veterans of our community."

For more information about American Legion Post 24, visit [www.VALegionPost24.org](http://www.VALegionPost24.org).

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## ON THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL Judicial Selection

What happens to City Councilman **Rob Krupicka's** seat if he is elected to the House of Delegates next month? Fortunately for Democrats, it's too late to have yet another special election.

"When you have too many," said Democratic parliamentarian **Craig Fifer**, "they cease to be special."

According to the city charter, Krupicka's City Council seat would be filled by Circuit Court Chief Judge **Lisa Kemler**. The charter does not lay any steps for making the decision, only that the chief judge of the Circuit Court gets to make the call. When Mayor **Jim Moran** was elected to Congress in 1990, for example, Chief Judge **Donald Kent** chose Republican **Scott Humphrey** to fill the vacancy.

"All the Democrats thought it was crazy," said former Alexandria Democratic Committee Chairwoman **Susan Kellom**.

Democrats are already talking about potential candidates to fill the unexpired term, which they say is likely to be a graybeard. Names under discussion include former Del. **Marian Van Landingham** (D-45), former Councilman **David Speck** and former Del. **Dick Hobson** (D-45). Ultimately, though, it's up to Kemler's judgment.

"If a selection is necessary, I would hope that the person would be someone who already has a strong sense of civic engagement," said Krupicka shortly after emerging as the winner of the Democratic caucus last weekend. "We have a lot of important issues coming up in the next few months."

## Debating the Debates

Talks are underway for two potential debates in the race between incumbent Mayor **Bill Euille** and challenger **Andrew Macdonald**.

The Alexandria Chamber of Commerce has been working to set a date between the two candidates in October and a handful of West End civic associations is trying schedule a debate in September. This week, Macdonald announced that he has accepted a forum hosted by Seminary Hill Association, Seminary West Civic Association, Brookville-Seminary Valley Civic Association and Seminary Heights Civic Association.

"We need a constructive debate in Alexandria on a wide range of issues," said Macdonald. "This is an opportunity for the citizens of Alexandria to learn more about the two candidates and to have their questions answered."

This November will mark the first time in the long history of Alexandria when the election for mayor will happen in November. The election has always been in the early part of the year. In recent years, the election has been in May along with the City Council election. But after the Democrats lost two seats in May 2009, the lame-duck members moved the election to November when a critical mass of Democrats would be at the polls to vote in the presidential election. That means that the coming few months are likely to see the campaign between Euille and Macdonald heat up as November approaches.

"My campaign is coordinating the debates with the Democratic committee," said Euille. "Hopefully, we'll have something to announce by Friday or next week."

## Captain Pike's Wheelchair

Some people look at the clouds and see works of art. Other people look at toast and see the **Virgin Mary**. For some, everything they see looks like a tootsie roll. But Democratic Committee Chairman **Dak Hardwick** has boldly gone where no one has gone before, comparing election equipment to science fiction.

"It looks like **Capt. Pike's** wheelchair," said Hardwick during last weekend's Democratic caucus.

Yes, the chairman is a Trekkie — a committee fan of the Star Trek universe. Pike was the captain of the US Enterprise during the original Star Trek pilot episode. During one of the scenes, Pike is severely injured while rescuing several cadets on a training vessel and becomes dependent on a brainwave-operated wheelchair. The device becomes his only means of communication, with the captain flashing a light on the chair once for yes and twice for no.

Perhaps it's a fitting metaphor for voting equipment — the only opportunity for voters to communicate.

— MICHAEL LEE POPE

## POLITICS



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**Voter turnout was higher on the second day of voting during last week's Democratic Caucus.**

## Special Election Yields Distinct Choices

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That's how Republican Mike Lane won a spot on the Arlington County Board and how Republican Joe Murray almost beat Del. Charniele Herring (D-46) when Brian Moran unexpectedly resigned to run for governor.

"This dirty trick will not work," said Karen Gautney, who challenged Krupicka for the Democratic nomination last weekend. "You cannot sneak an election past the voters of the 45th District."

**THE SPECIAL ELECTION** for the House of Delegates has been in the works for months, ever since Englin appeared before the Alexandria Democratic Committee in April and made an emotional speech announcing he would not seek a fifth term. Almost immediately, Democrats began to speculate that Englin would resign. But the embattled member of the House of Delegates did not announce his resignation until after the June primary, denying voters an opportunity to participate in a full-scale election. Instead, Democrats conducted a caucus and Republicans called a canvass.

"It will be an uphill fight for us," said Tom Fulton, chairman of the Alexandria City Republican Committee. "But we have more of a chance when voters are focused on this race than all the other things that will be competing for attention in November."

In some ways, the special election on Tuesday, Sept. 4 will be a rematch of the last year's state Senate campaign. Krupicka was a candidate in the hotly contested



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**The 45th District of the House of Delegates stretches from south Arlington through Del Ray and Old Town into the Belle View neighborhood of Fairfax County.**

Democratic primary, although he lost to then-Del. Adam Ebbin (D-49). The night of the primary last summer, Krupicka said it would his "last big campaign for a very long

time." A long time turned out to be about eight months, when Krupicka saw an opening in the

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## Krupicka on the Issues

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## BUSINESS

# In With the Old

Vintage Mirage celebrates new location.

By JEANNE THEISMANN  
GAZETTE PACKET

**A**fter serving Alexandria for eight years at 210 N. Lee St., Elinor Coleman's Vintage Mirage celebrated its recent relocation with a wine and cheese reception July 26 at the new location on South Columbus Street.

"We had to leave our old space pretty quickly," said Coleman as

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she greeted customers to the new shop at 117 S. Columbus St. "The landlord has other ideas for that building but in the end, this is a better space for us."

Coleman's previous location was on the second floor of the build-



**Elinor Coleman displays some of the vintage jewelry available at Vintage Mirage. After eight years on N. Lee St., the Old Town retailer reopened July 3 at 117 S. Columbus St.**

ing that formerly housed The Sugar Cube, another Old Town retailer that recently relocated. The new shop is on the ground floor of a historic townhouse.

"This suits us better and gives us better visibility to our custom-



**Gigi Pearl prepares a vintage Neiman Marcus gold brocade dress accented with rhinestones for display at the new Vintage Mirage location at 117 S. Columbus St.**

ers," Coleman said.

Vintage Mirage carries a wide range of vintage clothing spanning Victorian-era pieces to contemporary designers. "I've always worn vintage myself," Coleman said. "The business started as a way for me to sell off my personal collec-

tion," Coleman prides herself on the excellent condition of her selection, which ranges from designer clothing, jewelry and accessories, to one-of-a-kind Artisan commissioned-purses, belts, hats and gloves. "We downsize estates year round and also accept unique

consignment pieces so we continuously have new items," Coleman said. "I love helping people accessorize their wardrobe or find a fresh way of wearing something. The business has expanded and grown from that and I am still having a lot of fun."



**An antique suitcase holds a selection of vintage men's items available at Vintage Mirage.**

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# OPINION

# Mindless Slashing

Automatic cuts set to start in January would harm Northern Virginia more than any other region.

While reducing the federal deficit is critical to the nation's economic health in the long run, the knee jerk, slash and burn method based only on cuts that is coming at us like a freight train will do immense damage to the economy nationally. But no place would feel the pain more intensely than Northern Virginia. Last week, hundreds of technology workers gathered in Arlington, waving stop-sign shaped pickets that said "stop sequestration." Self-serving? Perhaps, but the mindless and catastrophically timed cuts would hurt everyone in Northern Virginia.

"The risk posed by these cuts taking effect is not a gamble that Virginians can take," said U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly, who addressed the group along with Gov. Bob McDonnell, U.S. Reps. Jim Moran and Frank Wolf, Northrop Grumman CEO Wes Bush, SAIC CEO John Jumper, Northern Virginia Technology Council Chair Brad Antle, Aerospace Industries Association CEO Marion Blakey and Fairfax Chamber of Commerce CEO Jim Corcoran and others.

"A third of our economy here in Northern Virginia and in the National Capital Region is dependent directly on federal investment and spending, Connolly said, calling for compro-

mise in Congress.

The Budget Control Act of 2011 sets the stage for automatic spending reductions over the next 10 years beginning Jan. 2, 2013 resulting in Pentagon spending cuts of \$800 billion, \$700 billion in cuts from other agencies with a \$200 billion reduction, mostly from Medicare, in mandatory programs. This is according to Steve Fuller and the GMU Center for Regional Analysis.

According to the analysis, Virginia would be second after California in job losses to the states in the next two years, with a potential loss of

more than 200,000 jobs (136,191 defense-related jobs lost and 71,380 non-defense jobs).

It's important to note that the vast majority of these job losses would be in Northern Virginia, and the looming problem is one reason Fairfax County is asking all departments to prepare for a possible five percent reduction in each of the next two years.

There are hundreds, possibly thousands, of ways to begin to fix the deficit; this is not one.

You can read the George Mason analysis at [http://www.aia-aerospace.org/assets/Fuller\\_II\\_Final\\_Report.pdf](http://www.aia-aerospace.org/assets/Fuller_II_Final_Report.pdf)

— MARY KIMM,  
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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Must Work with Republicans

To the Editor:

Congratulations to Rob Krupicka for winning the nomination in the Democratic Primary for the 45th

District House of Delegates. It is widely anticipated that he will win the Sept. 4 election against his Republican opponent in this heavily Democratic district.

As an independent voter in Alexandria, I am disappointed with Krupicka's early attacks on his fu-

ture Republican colleagues and Gov. Bob McDonnell for having the Special Election on Sept. 4. There are two special elections that day in Virginia, and due to the fact that the delegate in Norfolk should win the nomination for the Senate, his delegate seat will need to be filled

on the Nov. 6 ballot. That is the reason Sept. 4 was the statewide date.

If Krupicka goes to Richmond with a partisan attitude, he is already showing he will achieve nothing as a minority member in the House of Delegates that is 68-32 Republican.

As an Alexandrian, I want my elected leaders to work for the people they represent and not the party. I only hope that Councilman Frank Fannon, who received the most votes in the last City Council election of any candidate seeking re-election, gives Krupicka some advice on how to work across party lines before he leaves for Richmond. If Krupicka cannot learn to work with Republicans in Richmond like Fannon works with Democrats in Alexandria, his predicted victory on Sept. 4 will mean nothing.

Sarah Shellock

### Alas, Poor Democrats

To the Editor:

I read "Disservice of September

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### Celebrating Obama's Birthday in Old Town

Hawaii Islanders and Obama supporters celebrated President Barack Obama's birthday at Hunting Point on the Potomac in Alexandria Saturday, Aug. 4, with a barbeque, birthday cake, and music. Organizing for America Fellow Dave Chun hosted the cookout for about 35 members of the Washington area Hawaii Islander community and Obama supporters in Alexandria and the Mount Vernon District of Fairfax County. The event featured Hawaiian music, food, and a cake that read: Hau'oli La Hanau (Happy Birthday), Hawaii's son, President Barack Obama, Mahalo (thank you), for the Affordable Care Act and the Lilly Leadbetter Act. Partygoers feasted on Hawaiian-style kalua pork, poke (tune), poi (taro root), and corned beef and onions as well as Korean style teriyaki ribs and spicy beef, South Carolina style BBQ chicken, smoked salmon, and an assortment of pastas, quinoa, bean salads, tossed salad, and vegetables.

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## OPINION

# Who You Gonna Call?

BY BARBARA S. ANDERSON, ESQ.  
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**"M**om's in the hospital following a fall and surgery. Just this morning the social worker called to say they are discharging her to a rehabilitation facility tomorrow and I need to approve of the placement! But I don't know anything about this place or what to expect!"

"Who will take care of my next door neighbor? She's all alone and there is no family. I want to help, but I don't have any authority."

"I don't want to leave my home — but the arthritis is painful and I can't handle the stairs."

"How can I afford a caregiver in my home?"

"That nice man in the car outside the bank said he just needs \$1,000 to clean my gutters."

Attorneys, geriatric care managers, bank managers, doctors, financial planners, city social workers, pharmacists — and even neighbors — all hear these concerns. There are a wealth of resources available, but how can we learn about them?

The Alexandria Bar Association and Senior Services of Alexandria are partnering to present the second annual Senior Citizens Law



Day on Saturday, Oct. 13, 2012. Two panels of local experts will provide information on aging, housing options, planning and paying for long term care as well as important planning to enable seniors to "stay ahead of the curve" with professional help and available benefits. Whether you want information for yourself, a parent or other loved one, friends or neighbors, we believe you will want to be part of this exciting, free event.

This year's theme — "Alexandria for a Lifetime" — will explore the opportunities for aging in this community through a case study based on real scenarios. An enormous number of private and public services can meet the needs of seniors, yet too many families scramble to address concerns on an emergency basis because they have not planned carefully and cannot access those services quickly and easily. This program will change that scenario for the citizens of Alexandria who attend!

The free event will be held at First Baptist Church, 2932 King Street, Alexandria, on Saturday, Oct. 13, 2012, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Coffee and continental breakfast available. Parking is free and plentiful, and the facility is accessible. Produced by Senior Services of Alexandria and the Alexandria Bar Association.

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Election" (Gazette Packet, Aug. 2, 2012) with amusement. I do so enjoy watching Alexandria Democrats when things don't go their way. Although that is a rarity, it is no less entertaining. Advantageous election scheduling is nothing new to them. When they lost two council seats in the last local election to be held in May they did not hesitate to manipulate election dates in order to make it as unlikely as possible that such an electoral shock would befall them again.

**David A Norcross**  
Alexandria

## Consider Impact Of Proposed Hotel

To the Editor:

A hotel on the corner of Duke and Union Streets is a mistake on any scale.

Considering a plan that does not conform to current zoning regulations is an affront to proper legal procedure governing development on the waterfront or anywhere else.

Nevertheless, a meeting was called, Carr presented, and the public was invited to voice their opinions about the project. BAR members repeatedly cautioned speakers to address only issues related to architectural style and scale of the plans. That left a very big elephant in the living room, a project that should not be located at the foot of the 100 block of Duke Street, one of our finest historic, residential neighborhoods. One only needs to stand on that block as I have done several times since the meeting, and imagine the impact of a 121-room, five-story hotel with associated traffic, garbage, and noise, to conclude that families who have maintained those beautiful homes and enjoyed some

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protection from the brunt of King Street commercialism will soon be looking elsewhere to live.

The architect was led to believe that history lovers prefer a style that mimics what used to be on the waterfront so they created an imitation warehouse. We don't need pretend warehouses. We have authentic ones that are successfully renovated for contemporary use like the Christmas Attic. What history lovers want are structures that complement the older buildings and are scaled to feature, not dwarf them. Waterfront buildings should showcase Alexandria's greatest treasure, our stretch of the Potomac. The Seaport Foundation building is an excellent example of a structure that in both form and function, celebrates the water and draws us to it.

The hotel design features a courtyard and one speaker assured us that the hotel owner would love to have everyone come and join hotel guests there. My guess is the first family to stroll in with three crying kids and seats themselves in the courtyard would quickly generate "hotel guests only" signs, like those that line the Newport R.I. waterfront where hotels and condos have turned a public waterfront into a private, black-topped mess.

Proponents of waterfront hotels said the Torpedo Factory is tall, and that the old warehouses were even taller. This is not the warehouse era. We are not trying to perpetuate the blight of past centuries. We seek contemporary solutions to development that recognize the Potomac as a great draw for citizens and visitors, but also as a fragile environmental entity that needs to be reclaimed from post-industrial Alexandria, revitalized and protected from further damage. That protection includes the water, wildlife, river banks, flood plain and wetlands. That is the legacy of the 21st century. Mirant fouled our river, air and soil and will soon close down. Areas along the waterfront continue to have toxicity issues that must be addressed.

So what should replace the current structure and protect the integrity of a residential neighborhood adjacent to the bike path, a volleyball court, playgrounds for small children, parks, playing fields and dog walking areas?

Not a big hotel. Not even a little one. Nothing that significantly increases congestion, obscures water views and adds to the environmental degradation of the river. Keep large hotels clustered at the King Street metro. Invite guests to stroll down King Street, patronize our shops and restaurants and when they get to the river, treat them to a variety of small cafes, bike and small boat rentals to enjoy the bike path and river, art and artisan shops tucked in some of the existing structures that are renovated to reflect a unique blend of truly old and charmingly new.

Do we really want to live up to our Eco-city reputation? Include an environmental resource center similar to Alexandria Archeology that educates visitors about environmental responsibility. Show with thoughtful, moderately-scaled development how Alexandria strives to preserve its flood plain area for the health of the river and the safety of all visitors and residents. Work with the Sierra Club and other environmental groups

to be the first city to show the world what stewardship really looks like.

I oppose waterfront hotels and zoning changes because economic stability does not have to be gained at the expense of our residential communities or the Potomac. To protect the waterfront and all Alexandria neighborhoods, I will vote for Bob Wood, Andrew MacDonald and Allison Silberberg, a Republican, an Independent and a Democrat, because the pivotal issues in our local election relate to policy, not party. These capable candidates will lead us into an era of economic prosperity and historical and environmental integrity. Vote!

**Nancy Morgan**

## Heading for Fiscal Cliff?

To the Editor:

According to Mark Williams' Aug. 2 letter ("Misreading Rating Agencies"), a good credit rating today apparently guarantees our future financial health. I do not agree, and in fact, when Moody's issued its rating, it said as much. It attached a negative outlook to their rating, and made it clear that there are number of real issues — including the fiscal impact of new development on school enrollment, which has been largely ignored by elected officials — that could easily result in a lower credit rating in the future, not to mention higher taxes. Our growing debt burden concerns me too.

The idea that we should base our future prosperity on the credit score we receive today strikes me as quite unwise. Instead, I think we should be looking much more closely at the costs and benefits we expect to receive from developments like Potomac Yards metro, and the redevelopment of the West End and the waterfront to make certain that these are good investments for our future. I don't think we are making good investments. We are relying increasingly upon future tax revenue to pay for infrastructure improvements that should have been paid for by developers. Or upon closer examination are not great investments.

I certainly understand that we must improve our city's infrastructure — roads, transit, sewers, parks, schools etc. — but I'm not convinced that simply more development, and a good credit rating, will automatically produce the tax revenue needed to pay for such improvements. We seem a heck of a lot more interested in giving developers what they want then in empowering citizens who might think differently, and Mayor Bill Euille, who is seeking a fourth term, is the first to pick up a shovel.

In short, I think we are headed for a real fiscal precipice unless we change how we go about planning for our future growth.

**Andrew Macdonald**

*Andrew Macdonald is an independent candidate for mayor of Alexandria.*

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# Hot Day at Polls and No Food

BY HARRY M. COVERT

I found the way to Cora Kelly Rec Center about midday Saturday. Took several turns, wrong ones of course, down Commonwealth Avenue, Mount Vernon Avenue then on to Dewitt and Hume. Eventually I got the nerve to stop to ask for directions.

Several unlicensed enterprising children were selling lemonade in front of their house. I was hoping no City Hall inspectors were sneaking around. Fortunately for me, the smiling boys' father came to my rescue. His refreshment at the moment came from a brown bottle, looked like a cold beer. Not lemonade.

"Voting today?" he said. "Nice crowd there. No food though." Where upon he gave me good directions through Del Ray's streets where the good citizens were walking with cell phones strapped to their ears, drinking from various cups in their hands and ignoring traffic lights and turning cars, mine for one.

I was a bit disappointed to find no card tables filled with goodies of homemade pastries, subs overflowing with pepperoni, spicy green peppers, mayo, lettuce to help defray some charitable expenses at Cora Kelly. At least some political insider from Del Ray's Main Street or some of the activists from Old Town could intervene with tuna sandwiches, cookies and cakes and plain old water. But, no.

For sure, Chick-fil-A, missed a good chance to feed the dedicated people walking in to vote. The party atmosphere, at least in my opinion, would have been enlivened with chicken sandwiches and spicy chicken nuggets.

There was Rob Krupicka, the city councilman, greeting people, smiling and glad-handing as fast as he could. Congressman Jim Moran was there talking non-stop to some people and he wasn't even on the ballot. City Council candidate Tim Lovain, even though he wasn't on the ballot either, was working the crowd. I didn't see Republican Councilman Frank Fannon but his reelection signs were everywhere up and down Reed Street.

No other candidates for the November city council race in November seemed bothered to be around, at least while I was doing my duty. My timing must have



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been off because I didn't see the mayor or his independent opponent, or the sheriff, the commonwealth's attorney or the clerk of the court. They're safely ensconced and can stand confidently

idly by and thanking the Lord they don't have to endure this hot August day.

Krupicka was confident he was going to win the Democratic nomination for the 45th District House of Delegates seat. He garnered 1,540 votes and his political compadre Karen Gautney had 891.

I thought certainly I'd see local reporters sneaking in an out, and taking voter polls and mooching free chips or water. I'm sure they were busy at the farmer's markets, cutting the grass, planning vegetarian meals or hounding the police for a line or two of any assaults, robberies or car wrecks.

I sauntered past the sign reading "no campaigning past this point" into the Cora Kelly gym. No basketball today. Lots of tables were set up and Craig Fifer, a Democratic party official, was busy making sure everyone went to the right table, filled out the right paper and voted right.

To my surprise an election official explained I came from the wrong side of the street. I couldn't vote. The event was only for those from Quaker Lane to Arlington and a portion of Fairfax County to which I'm not familiar.

Disappointed I didn't see the hard-working reporters, Rob Krupicka proved to be the best media expert and the most accurate. Moments after the polls closed, and I mean split seconds, Delegate-to-be Krupicka was online claiming victory. He did win and acknowledged the good campaign of his opponent. He faces a Republican challenger on Sept. 4 in a special election to fill the seat vacated by David Englin.

I'm sure Mr. Krupicka will be a good reporter and get his facts right. I think I'll come up with a recipe book, "There's Only One-Way to Make Chicken Sandwiches."

## Renovation Work Underway at Playground

The Mount Jefferson Park Playground, 301 Hume Avenue, will be under construction and renovation from Aug. 6 to Oct. 12.

The renovation will include installation of new play equipment and site furniture, new rubberized safety surfacing, and new drainage systems. The playground and adjacent multipurpose court will be closed

to the public during construction.

For a list of City of Alexandria Playgrounds and Tot Lots, visit <http://alexandriava.gov/uploadedFiles/recreation/info/PlaygroundsandTotLots.pdf>.

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## NEWS

# Distinct Choices in 45th

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House of Delegates.

"I'm just happy there was no natural disaster today," said Krupicka shortly after last weekend's caucus, referring to the earthquake that happened the day he lost the primary to Ebbin.

**EBBIN SCORED** a landslide victory against McGhee, taking 65 percent of the vote and winning in all but six of 49 precincts. Now McGhee is back, launching his second campaign in less than a year. But the heat of the last campaign has not yet dissipated, and many Democrats are still angry about comments McGhee made on the campaign trail last year about the relationship between gays and God.

"Some of you are beyond frustrated with God right now," McGhee told the Arlington Gay and Lesbian Alliance in October. "Some of you refuse to believe in him altogether. You've asked the question or perhaps given up asking a long time ago, 'Why? Why would God make me who I am and then tell me that's wrong?'"

When asked about how he would vote on major issues in Richmond, McGhee offers a starkly different set of priorities than Krupicka. McGhee says he would have voted for repealing the one handgun per month limit, for example. He also opposes expand-

ing Medicaid in Virginia as part of the Affordable Health Care Act. And he supports forcing women to have ultrasound procedures before an abortion as well as imposing strict construction standards on abortion clinics.

"Despite what you may hear on the other side on this issue, this industry does have a track record of creating some very dangerous and deadly situations for women," said McGhee. "We need to make sure that as long as we continue to allow this procedure that we provide as much care for those involved."

Krupicka would on the opposite side of many of the major issues facing the General Assembly. He supports the handgun limit and opposes forcing women to undergo ultrasound procedures before receiving an abortion. Unlike McGhee, he supports expanding Medicaid coverage in Virginia as part of the Affordable Care Act. Krupicka also said he would work to give the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission more revenue authority, reducing the role of the Virginia Department of Transportation. That could mean that the commission would be able to create new taxes, although Krupicka would not endorse any specific proposal.

"That would have to be part of a package," said Krupicka. "I want to move away from VDOT determining our destiny."



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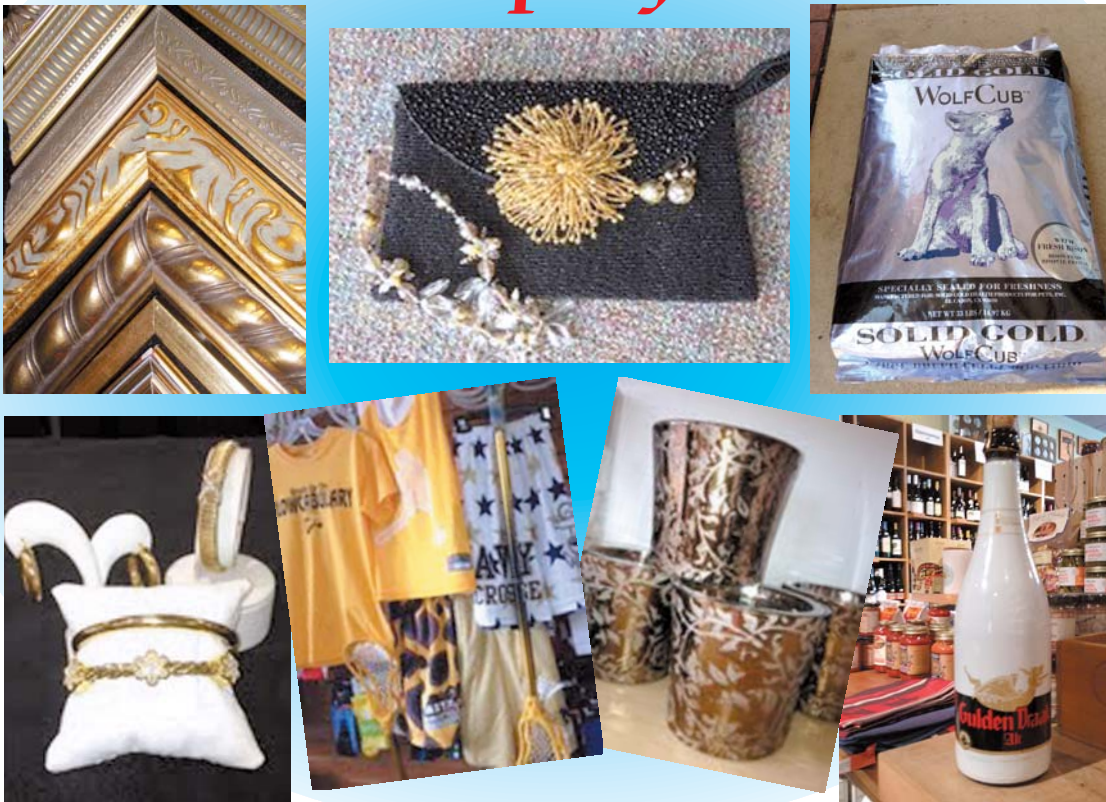


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**City Councilman Frank Fannon, Mayor Bill Euille, Daniel Mineta, Brian Porter, Sheriff Dana Lawhorne and City Attorney James Banks gather at the Mount Vernon Recreation Center field Aug. 7 to kick off National Night Out festivities.**



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**Deputies Valarie Wright and Andrea Diaz set up a display of information on the Alexandria Sheriff's Department as part of National Night Out.**

# National Night Out Promotes Police-Community Ties

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School and now deputy director, Office of Demand Reduction, of the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy. "It's a strategy that is working because of events like this."

Mineta accompanied Mayor Bill Euille to 15 sites throughout the city in support of National Night Out, an initiative that began 29 years ago as a simple display of outdoor lights and front porch vigils. The event has evolved into block parties and cookouts and an opportunity for local officials and law enforcement personnel to meet with residents of civic groups and neighborhood organizations.

"I am glad to be back in Alexandria," said Mineta as he visited with residents at the Mount

Vernon Recreation Center field. "This is where I learned about community work and the importance of communities coming together working on crime and drug prevention. It really is a very special place."

The Del Ray Citizens Association sponsored the event at the Mount Vernon Recreation Center, which included more than 400 hot dogs donated by 7-11, entertainment by 50 Man Machine and firefighters and volunteers from Your Dog's Best Friends manning the grills.

"What a great evening," said longtime Del Ray resident Gayle Reuter. "This is a wonderful opportunity to get together with our neighbors and say 'thank you' to the officers, firefighters and first responders who keep us safe throughout the year."



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**K-9 officer Carlos Rolon introduces his new patrol dog Czikaj. Czikaj, a 2-year-old German Shepherd has just finished his first training and he replaces Ajax in the field.**



**Residents Marty Christina and Mackenzie Ford use the block party as an opportunity to gather more signatures on their petition to get a sidewalk and/or bike lane on their block. Marty gets Ray Kazanjian to sign.**

## Enrollment Spikes as Schools Prepare for Opening Day

FROM PAGE 1

have 153 more students than last year, making it the largest high school in Virginia.

"There's no room at the inn," said Tammy Ignacio, chief administrative officer. "At our leadership meetings, we're talking about how to get kids through the lunch line without breaking the fire code."

Each new round of enrollment projections seems to add even more students to the mix. Superintendent Morton Sherman says the current projections show about 300 more students than were expected just a few months ago. More than 100 families have been turned away from Samuel Tucker Elementary School, the city's newest elementary school that's already at capacity.

"If you look at the Census data, the percentage of young kids under 5 has increased over the last 10 years and that's really the heart of our growth," said City Councilman Rob Krupicka, who is also a member of the Virginia State Board of Education. "So every year we're having record Kindergarten classes and the schools just keep getting bigger."

**RECENT YEARS** have seen a dramatic increase in enrollment numbers, although the reasons for the increase remain somewhat of a mystery. School officials say the economy could play a role, with parents choosing to send their children to public schools rather than private schools. Another reason could be a greater willingness of parents to live in an urban environment rather than a suburban Fairfax County home with a large yard. Whatever the reason for the growth, the numbers continue to spike.

"We're likely to see another spike when the latest projections come out in the middle of August," said Ignacio. "We may well end up adding another Kindergarten class at Mount Vernon."

Enrollment figures show that the numbers are not increasing evenly, indicating some racial and geographic movement. Schools on the west side, for example, are growing at a faster rate than schools on the east side. And while George Washington Middle School was once predominately African American, the latest numbers show that it has become predominantly white. Meanwhile the percentage of students who

live in poverty continues to increase, with the percentage who qualify for free and reduced price lunch spiking from 51 to 58 percent in the last year alone.

"It's a challenging trend," said Sherman. "It certainly gives us greater needs than a lot of other school divisions that don't have such a high percentage of kids who qualify for free-and-reduced price lunch."

To handle the crunch, school officials have added modular classrooms that are constructed offsite. Instead of the old fashioned trailers, also known as portable classrooms, modular classrooms are built offsite and assembled at the location as a permanent structure. In the last three years, school officials have added about 30 modular classrooms. One elementary school has added middle school classes, and two more are planning to follow suit in the next few years. Ultimately, Sherman says, the school system needs five new schools — two more than are currently funded by the City Council.

"This is not pie in the sky," said Sherman. "These numbers are projected to continue to grow."

### Enrollment Growth

School	2011-2012	2012-2013	Change
<b>T.C. William High</b>	2,227	2,380	153
<b>Washington Middle</b>	953	1,081	128
<b>Hammond Middle</b>	1,273	1,395	122
<b>Tucker Elementary</b>	665	774	109
<b>Mount Vernon Elementary</b>	697	778	81
<b>Jefferson-Houston</b>	305	364	59
<b>MacArthur Elementary</b>	651	704	53
<b>Mason Elementary</b>	473	522	49
<b>Lyles-Crouch Elementary</b>	403	450	47
<b>Polk Elementary</b>	616	651	35
<b>Maury Elementary</b>	397	431	34
<b>Barrett Elementary</b>	394	417	23
<b>Ramsay Elementary</b>	753	772	19
<b>Henry Elementary</b>	539	545	6
<b>Minnie Howard</b>	699	697	-2
<b>Cora Kelly Elementary</b>	370	362	-8
<b>John Adams Elementary</b>	818	770	-48





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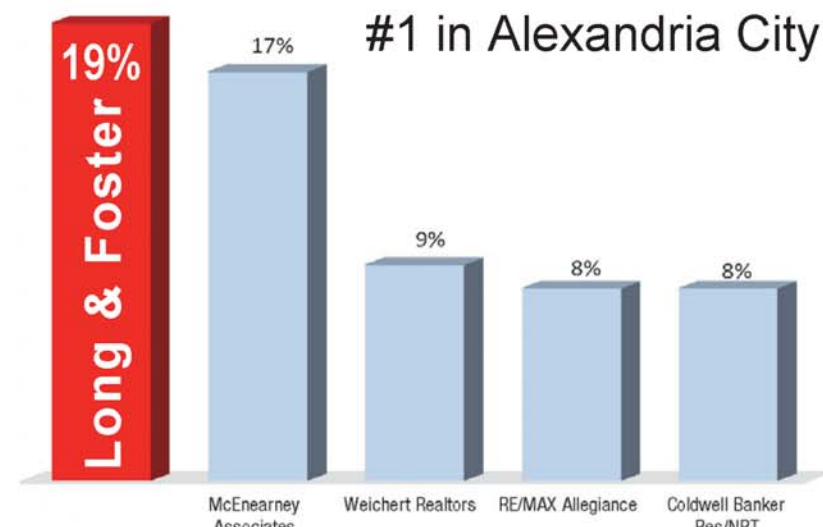
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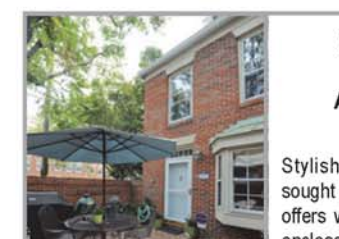


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# Alexandria REAL ESTATE

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IN JUNE 2012, 245 ALEXANDRIA HOMES SOLD BETWEEN \$2,900,000-\$90,000.

## Top Sales for June 2012

**2** 801  
Duke Street,  
Alexandria —  
\$2,200,000



**1** 312  
Queen Street,  
Alexandria —  
\$2,900,000



**3** 628  
Oakland  
Terrace,  
Alexandria —  
\$1,695,000



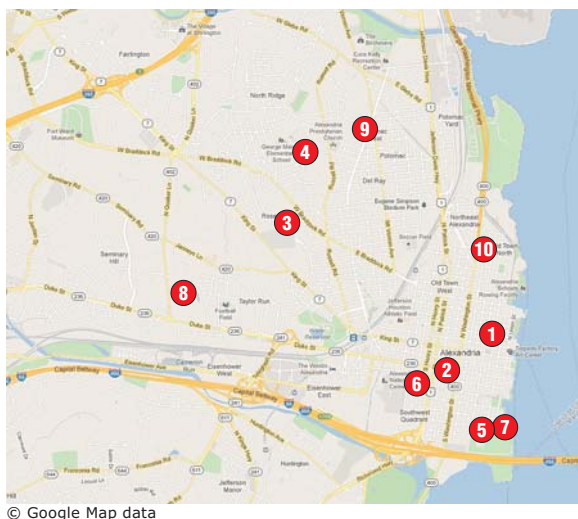
**4** 304  
Virginia  
Avenue,  
Alexandria —  
\$1,450,000



**5** 723 Lee Street South,  
Alexandria — \$1,390,000



**6** 1103  
Wilkes Street,  
Alexandria —  
\$1,150,000



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<b>1</b>	312 QUEEN ST	4	4	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$2,900,000	Townhouse	0.10	22314	OLD TOWN	06/14/12
<b>2</b>	801 DUKE ST	5	4	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$2,200,000	Detached	0.12	22314	HISTORIC OLD TOWN	06/13/12
<b>3</b>	628 OAKLAND TER	4	4	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$1,695,000	Detached	0.65	22302	OAKLAND TERRACE	06/25/12
<b>4</b>	304 VIRGINIA AVE	6	5	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$1,450,000	Detached	0.24	22302	JEFFERSON PARK	06/22/12
<b>5</b>	723 LEE ST S	3	2	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$1,390,000	Detached	0.12	22314	HISTORIC OLD TOWN	06/06/12
<b>6</b>	1103 WILKES ST	4	2	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$1,150,000	Townhouse	0.05	22314	OLD TOWN VILLAGE	06/15/12
<b>7</b>	701 FORDS LANDING WAY	3	3	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$1,149,000	Townhouse	0.03	22314	FORDS LANDING	06/22/12
<b>8</b>	1402 COVENTRY LN	4	3	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$1,100,000	Detached	0.57	22304	MONTROSE	06/29/12
<b>9</b>	7 FORREST ST	5	4	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$1,075,000	Detached	0.12	22305	MOUNT IDA	06/01/12
<b>10</b>	600 SECOND ST #401	3	2	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$1,045,000	Garden 1-4 Floors		22314	LIBERTY ROW	06/01/12

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# Home Life Style

## Remodeling and Renovating

Local designers design a home that is compatible with one's lifestyle.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL  
GAZETTE PACKET

Lifestyle and social considerations are as important as design and aesthetic decisions when remodeling or renovating a home, say some local designers. From bathrooms with a water closet to second floor laundry areas and kitchens that flow freely into the family room, homeowners should determine how the space will be used before beginning a remodeling project.

"I try to figure out how the family lives," said George Hodges-Fulton of BOWA. "If I know who is doing what where and when I can design around it. If something drives you up a wall and you're ready to go see Dr. Phil with your spouse, let's just design around it."

Hodges-Fulton restructured the dated kitchen of a McLean home to add more space for an active family that includes three teenage boys. An addition extending from the rear wall of the kitchen expanded the footprint of the home. The plan included a butler's pantry, family dining area, sitting room and screened porch. The addition of windows allowed natural light to stream into the space.

"The specific reason that the addition was put on was to provide the husband with a place to read the Sunday paper and still be engaged with the family," said Hodges-Fulton. "He travels quite a bit, but the idea would be that the family would have a Sunday morning gathering space. The addition definitely changed the dynamic and improved family time."



PHOTO BY SUZANNE KALMIN

**Designers at RJK Construction created a warm, inviting space in this Old Town Alexandria guest bathroom.**

Guy Semmes of Hopkins and Porter Construction in Potomac, Md. transformed the cramped, dark interior of a Damascus, Md., home into a haven of light and nature. Floor to ceiling windows make up the entire rear wall of the addition, which also unified the kitchen, family room and living room, creating an open, flowing space with a panoramic view of the tree-filled backyard.

"We wanted to take advantage of all the southern light from the backyard and to make the home feel more expansive," said Semmes. "We integrated the outdoors with the interior spaces. It made everything flow

so much nicer."

**HUSBAND AND WIFE DESIGN** team Suzanne and Robert Kalmin of RJK Construction in Fairfax created a space in the bathroom of a Reston home to make laundry less laborious. "The homeowner had an active family," said Suzanne Kalmin. "She had to do laundry for three kids and two adults. The washer and dryer were in the basement. She wanted a laundry area that didn't require her to run up and down the stairs constantly."

The Kalmins remodeled the large second floor master bathroom to include a space

for the washer and dryer. "All of the bedrooms are on the top level, so it made more sense," said Robert Kalmin. "Instead of walking up and down the stairs she could just go straight across the hall. She could do laundry at night while relaxing in her bedroom."

Potomac, Md.-based designer Susan Matus of Case Design/Remodeling transformed an outdated Bethesda home, creating a space that would feel inviting to the homeowners' daughter, son-in-law and three grandchildren. The design included a ground level office and family room, and a renovated basement with room for a pool table and bar. Even the walls were stripped of the existing wood paneling.

"The family room walks out to the backyard where there is a very beautiful pool," said Matus. "Before the renovation, the family room did not have a clear exit out to the pool area. We added French doors that open to the patio."

When renovating a kitchen, an Alexandria homeowner wanted the warm look of a slate floor, but not the high-maintenance that comes with a natural stone surface in a high-traffic area. Designers Allie Mann and Jim Wrenn of Case Design/Remodeling suggested a porcelain slate with high variation to provide the look and feel of slate without the tiresome upkeep.

From free-flowing rooms to low-maintenance spaces, designers say that are able to incorporate most homeowner requests into a remodel or renovation. "Every homeowner has their own style," said Robert Kalmin. "When it comes to construction, we're able to accomplish everyone's style."

## Enlarging a Living Space — Without Adding On

The Kourils increased usable space of their circa-1950s ranch, while staying within walls of original structure.

BY JOHN BYRD

Nineteen years may seem like a long time to wait for an interior custom-suited to your lifestyle, but Gail and Doug Kouril are satisfied that everything has come together perfectly, and at just the right time in their lives.

"We moved into this house in 1992," Gail Kouril said, referring to their circa-1955 ranch house quietly situated on a tree-shaded Arlington cul-de-sac. "Our main pre-occupation, though, was raising and educating three sons — who have now finished college and moved on."

Gail Kouril is quick to add that the couple's decision to makeover the entire house wasn't simply "empty nest" syndrome, but finds it timely that they were introduced to a top design/build remodeling firm at exactly that point when moving

forward on long forestalled plans made sense economically and personally.

"The house is in a neighborhood that has really appreciated," Gail Kouril said. "So we attended a workshop sponsored by Sun Design Remodeling, and were surprised at how quickly the outlines of a working plan came together."

**FOR STARTERS**, the solution called for converting a first floor 2,000-square-foot primary living area into a more spacious, bright and better rationalized interior without ever breaching the envelop of the original structure.

Among key problems with the existing house: the master bathroom was tiny; the kitchen cramped and dated. There was no place to have a meal save the dining room. The rear porch was of minimal use. Traffic patterns were constricted. The interior was



PHOTO BY BRYAN BURRIS

**Sun Design Remodeling removed a rear bearing wall in a circa 1955 ranch, co-opting a seldom-used rear porch into an expanded new kitchen. The dining counter is a de facto space divider and a convenient serving station.**

too dark. There wasn't even an organized place to store beach chairs and Christmas decorations.

Moreover, the ever-promising lower level — which featured windows at-grade and a rear walk-out — was only half finished, and

the accessing stairway was too steep and out-of-code.

"We were pretty aware of the shortcomings," Doug Kouril said. "We just weren't sure what was feasible within our budget."

SEE UNUSED FOOTAGE, PAGE 21



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Address .....	BR . FB . HB ...	Postal City ....	Sold Price ...	Type .....	Lot AC .....	PostalCode .....	Subdivision .....
927 COLUMBUS ST S .....	2 1 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$532,000	Townhouse	0.04	22314	HUNTING CREEK
1719 PRICE ST .....	3 1 1	ALEXANDRIA	\$529,800	Townhouse	0.05	22301	DEL RAY
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The remodeling team converted an adjacent back corner bedroom into an adjoining master bath which features a glass-encased walk-in shower and a generously-sized vanity and bench.



PHOTOS BY JUSTIN KRIEL

## Discovering Unused Square Footage

FROM PAGE 15

So it was a revelation when planners at Sun Design proposed a spatial reconfiguration — which made the home's existing footprint seem vastly enlarged, without adding an inch of new enclosed square footage.

"It's now a kitchen-centric plan," said Roger Lataille, the remodeling firm's design consultant. "We rotated the kitchen into the north corner of the house, switching places with the dining room, then converted part of the seldom-used back porch into a breakfast room with a two-stool dining counter facing into the kitchen."

Results: the kitchen now easily serves the living room, the new dining room and a back patio where the family spends a lot of warm weather time.

Better yet, with several interior walls deleted (including a section of rear elevation bearing wall), the new layout yields a significant increase in natural light.

Convenient serving stations are integrated into well-equipped food preparation zones. As Doug Kouril, the household's preferred chef, explains: "when you're cooking and entertaining ... this plan that makes it really easy to multi-task."

Aesthetically, the new kitchen presents a warmly textured ambience. Maple built-ins, floor-to-ceiling glass-facing cabinets and marble surfaces are set off by newly-refinished hardwood flooring. A stovetop backsplash comprised of Santa Cecilia granite and glass-accented ceramic tile makes a particularly fine interior design statement.

"The designer helped us to make informed choices," Gail Kouril said. "They pre-selected finishwork options in our budget range, and their guidance was spot-on."

Converting the original electric range to a five-burner gas cooktop has been a creative windfall for

Doug Kouril who now has both a convection oven and a traditional baking oven at his fingertips.

**EXPANDING THE MASTER SUITE** was a separate challenge, inspired by Gail Kouril's interest in retaining all four bedrooms while adding a large master bath and two walk-in closets.

"The designer immediately identified the bedroom adjacent to the existing master suite as the appropriate spot for the master bath," Gail Kouril said. "In fact, the arrangement actually creates an extra bedroom window and space for sizeable his and her closets."

The 12' x 11' master bath features a glass-encased walk-in shower; each partner now has a basin of their own; and Gail gains a generously-sized vanity and bench.

Eliminating the former back corner bedroom also deletes an end-of-the-hall foyer, gaining 20 square feet for the re-made hall bath.

So, where's the fourth bedroom?

In the thoroughly mainstreamed lower level — which now includes a beautifully-appointed guest bath and a home office as well as a newly carpeted and upgraded family room complete with working fireplace.

Doug Kouril said that the lower level, with its ample available

light, was always a pleasant gathering place. But Sun Design's better-rationalized stairway has made this part of the house as functional as any other — one of the reason the makeover has really worked for everyone.

"Developing ways to get existing space to perform better is always one of the strategic initiatives we explore," said Lataille. "Clients are often amazed at how much unused square footage we find within the envelope of the existing home, and at how quickly the design solution comes together."

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# NVSL Season Concludes with Individual All-Star Meet

## Waynewood's Dona sisters triumph at home pool.

BY JON ROETMAN  
GAZETTE PACKET

**E**ight-year-old Hanani Dona jumped up and down in support of her older sister, 17-year-old Reanna, during a medal ceremony at the Northern Virginia Swim League Individual All-Stars meet on Aug. 4. Hanani's involvement in the day's events wasn't limited to cheerleading, however, as the younger sibling received her own recognition.

Reanna won the 15-18 girls' 50-meter butterfly and finished second in the backstroke, and Hanani finished third in the 8U 25-meter butterfly and first in the backstroke at their home pool: Waynewood Recreation Association in Alexandria. Reanna, a 2012 graduate of West Potomac High School and rising freshman at Ohio State University, finished with an NVSL season-best time of 28.55 seconds in the fly. In the backstroke, she was one of two swimmers to break 30 seconds. Her time of 29.66 was bested only by Janet Hu's NVSL record time of 28.21.

Hanani swam 18.81 in the fly and 19.94 in the backstroke.

"I actually made it a point to watch [Hanani]," Reanna said. "... We have such a huge age difference between us, I wasn't sure whether she'd like swimming or not. At her age, I was not making it to all-stars as an 8-and-under. I didn't know what all-stars was. The fact that she knows what's going on is just really great for her."

While the Dona sisters shined in their home pool, Hu rewrote the NVSL record book. A member of the Mosby Woods Raiders (Fairfax) and a rising junior at Oakton High School, Hu broke her own record in the 15-18 50 freestyle with a time of 28.21. Hu set the previous record of 28.52 one week earlier at divisionals, according to the NVSL Web site.

"It's pretty exciting," Hu said, "to know



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**Reanna Dona, a 2012 West Potomac graduate, finished first in the girls' 15-18 50-meter butterfly and second in the backstroke during the NVSL Individual All-Stars meet on Aug. 4. The meet was held in Dona's home pool: Waynewood Recreation Association.**

I'm still improving."

Hu also won the 50 free with a time of 26.5. She set the NVSL record in the event one week prior with a time of 26.27.

Laura Schwartz, a member of the Camelot Community Club Knights (Annandale) and rising senior at Falls Church High School, entered the 15-18 girls' 100 IM as the No. 1 seed and didn't disappoint. She finished with an NVSL season-best time of 1:06.5.

"I try not to think about it," Schwartz said of being an event's top seed. "I guess it kind of gets me a little bit excited because I think, 'I have to make sure I get first place since I'm seeded first.'"

Schwartz had to come from behind to capture the win.

"I actually had no idea where I was until I came off the breaststroke turn," she said. "... I breathed to my left and I saw the other girl and I was right at her hip. I was like, 'Oh gosh, I'm seeded first, I need to win this,' so I had to kick it into another gear to out-touch."

While Schwartz fulfilled her duty as a favorite, Ben Lambert's victory in the 15-18 boys' 50 fly was an upset. Lambert, a member of Hayfield Farm Seahawks (Alexandria) and rising sophomore at Hayfield Secondary School, won the event with a time of 26.3 despite being seeded outside of the

top three.

"It was all mindset," Lambert said. "My coach from a while ago told me that if you believe you're the best one out there and you swim like it, then you can be and that's what happened today. ... I actually kind of like having people ahead of me because it inspires me to go faster and it gets me more hyped."

Paul O'Hara, a member of the Hollin Meadows Barracudas (Alexandria) and a rising senior at Gonzaga College High School in Washington, D.C., finished first in two events. After finishing in a first-place tie in the 15-18 boys' 100 IM (1:00.65), O'Hara won outright the 100 freestyle with a time of 23.74.

"I was kind of amped up for the second event," O'Hara said, "because after the tie, it was kind of disappointing."

Zachary Fountain, a 2011 West Springfield High School graduate and rising sophomore at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, tied with O'Hara in the 100 IM and won outright the 100 breaststroke (30.82). Fountain represented the Orange Hunt Sharks (Springfield).

In boys' butterfly action, winners included: Sleepy Hollow's Liam Redman (8U, Falls Church); Highlands Swim's Ben Charles (9-10, McLean); Chesterbrook's

Jaya Kambhampaty (11-12, McLean) and McLean's Christopher Murphy (13-14). In girls' butterfly action, winners included: Hunter Mill's Alexandra Dicks (8U, Vienna); Little Rocky Run's Emily Drakopoulos (9-10, Clifton); Greenbriar's Jacqueline Clabeaux (11-12, Fairfax) and Orange Hunt's Robyn Dryer (13-14, Springfield).

In boys' IM competition, winners included: Highlands Swim's Charles (10U); Dunn Loring's John McClorey (11-12, Vienna) and Lee-Graham's Miller Surette (13-14, Falls Church). In girls' IM action, winners included: Wakefield Chapel's Madelyn Donohoe (10U, Annandale); McLean's Isabella Rongione (11-12) and Commonwealth's Hannah Baker (13-14, Fairfax).

In boys' freestyle action, winners included: Fox Mill Woods' Tomasz Kleczek (8U, Reston); Lee-Graham's William Jackson (9-10, Falls Church); Little Rocky Run's Myles Brown (11-12, Clifton) and Village West's Aidan Pastel (13-14, Springfield). In girls' freestyle competition, winners included: Ravensworth Farm's Emily Suris (8U, Springfield); Little Rocky Run's Drakopoulos (9-10); Greenbriar's Clabeaux (11-12) and Commonwealth's Baker (13-14).

In boys' backstroke competition, winners included: Tuckahoe's James Ewing (8U, McLean); Lee-Graham's William Jackson (9-10, Falls Church); Overlee's Jonathan Day (11-12, Arlington); Overlee's Ryan Baker (13-14, Arlington) and Annandale's Kyle Tyrrell (15-18). In girls' backstroke action, winners included: Sully Station SS's Elise Mozeleski (9-10, Chantilly); Hamlet's Grace Gent (11-12, McLean) and Orange Hunt's Dryer (13-14).

In boys' breaststroke competition, winners included: Donaldson Run's Drew Harker (8U, Arlington); Sully Station SS's Brian Patten (9-10, Chantilly); Chesterbrook's Sam Gollob (11-12, McLean) and South Run's Christopher Stankiewicz (13-14, Springfield). In girls' breaststroke action, winners included: Ravensworth's Suris (8U); Hunt Valley's Carrie Morrison (9-10, Springfield); Mount Vernon Park's Holly Jansen (11-12, Alexandria); Little Hunting Park's Sarah Cahill (13-14, Alexandria) and Crosspointe's Brooke Malone (15-18, Fairfax Station).



**Overlee's Jonathan D. Day finished second in the 11-12 boys' 100-meter IM and won the backstroke at the NVSL Individual All-Stars meet on Aug. 4.**



**Hayfield Farm's Ben Lambert won the 15-18 boys' 50-meter butterfly at the NVSL Individual All-Stars meet on Aug. 4.**



**Highlands Swim's Ben Charles of McLean won the 9-10 boys' 25-meter butterfly and 10U 100 IM during the NVSL Individual All-Stars meet on Aug. 4.**



## SPORTS

# Summer Rowers Compete At Blue Plains Sprints

**F**or the past six weeks, nearly 130 youth and adult novice and veteran rowers have gotten up before dawn to learn the sport and strengthen their skill set at the Alexandria Summer Rowing program in Old Town.

Last Friday, they put what they learned to the test at the Blue Plains Sprints, an annual regatta that is held at the Dee Campbell Boathouse and marks the official end of the summer rowing season. The regatta featured the rowers racing against each other in a series of 500-meter sprints down the Potomac River.

Rowers competed in single sculls, doubles, fours, and eight person racing shells. The waters were calm, but the competition was fierce. For many rowers, it marked the first time they had raced 500 meters. For the more veteran rowers, the races provided an opportunity to show what they learned this summer and show off the skills they had developed in the past.

The annual highlight of the Blue Plains Sprints is the last race of the day, one that pits the youth novice rowers against their coaches. This year's event saw the pupils

best their teachers, as the novice youth crossed the finish line with a time of 1:20 — two seconds better than their coaches.

This year's youth rowers were drawn from such area schools as T.C. Williams, Bishop Ireton, St. Stephen's & St. Agnes, Commonwealth Academy, West Potomac, Yorktown, McLean, Georgetown Visitation, St. Albans, Herndon, and Howard Gardner.

The Alexandria Summer Crew program is directed by Lexye Hearing. This year's coaches included Pat Marquardt, Adam Soller, Chris Ottie, Audrey Shankles, Will Shankles, Ian Terrell, Emma Carlisle-Reske, Grace Barbara, Jobelle Cruz, Max Jones, Mark Kennedy, Christian Salcedo, Nora Willkomm, Allie Zickar, Josh Cruz, Cameron Pattisall, Rene Rodriguez, and John West. Also providing assistance was Steve Weir.

The Summer Crew program is sponsored by the Alexandria Crew Boosters. For more information about rowing in Alexandria and the rowing programs that will be offered this fall, visit [www.tcwcrew.org](http://www.tcwcrew.org) or [www.rowalexandria.org](http://www.rowalexandria.org).



A group of adult novice rowers gather on the dock of the Dee Campbell Boathouse before the Blue Plains Sprints on Friday, Aug. 3.

**Gabby and Christian Salcedo race down the Potomac during the Blue Plains Sprints on Friday, Aug. 3. Gabby was a rower in this year's summer crew program, while her brother, Christian, was a coach.**



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**Lucille Toombs Duling**, a lifelong resident of Alexandria, passed away on August 5 at her home in Alexandria at the age of 91. She was preceded in death by her husband, Roland Duling; and three sisters. She is survived by her daughter, Sharon Edwards; son, Roland L. Duling Jr.; grandchildren, Melanie Lavery, Christopher Duling, Shaun Duling, and Denyse Reynolds; and three great grandchildren. She was a 60 year member of Baptist Temple Church, the Dorkas Sunday school class, as well as the church choir; retired from the Alexandria School Board. She volunteered at many civic organizations to include the Ramsey House and Lyceum in Old Town Alexandria. Family and friends may gather on Thursday, August 9, 2012 from 2-4 & 6-8 p.m. at Everly-Wheatley Funeral Home, 1500 W. Braddock Rd., Alexandria, VA 22302 where funeral services will be held on Friday, August 10, 2012 at 11 a.m. Interment will follow at Mount Comfort Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association via their website [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org), select Donate, Tribute/Memorial Donation and then please enter BAE Network Systems (Arlington, VA) for the employer matching program. Flowers, gifts and a guest registry may be found at [www.everlyfuneralhomes.com](http://www.everlyfuneralhomes.com)

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September 6, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.

The Fairfax County Water Authority will hold a public hearing pursuant to Va. Code Ann. § 15.2-1903 on at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 6, 2012, to receive public comments on a proposed Resolution authorizing the acquisition of easements necessary for the improvement and expansion of Fairfax Water's water system infrastructure adjacent to sections of the Lee Jackson Memorial Highway (U.S. Route 50) in Fairfax County. The improvement and expansion is required to provide adequate capacity to serve existing and future customers. The necessary easements are to be located across several parcels of land adjacent to U.S. Route 50, more particularly described as Fairfax County Tax Map Parcels 0332-01-0004, 0332-01-0005B2, 0332-01-0005D, 0332-01-0005E, 0341-03-B4, 0341-03-B5, 0341-03-0001, 0343-01-0041A, and 0343-13-0001. Following the public hearing, the Water Authority Board may vote on or after September 6, 2012, to adopt the proposed Resolution.

The proposed Resolution and other related information can be viewed at Fairfax Water's Website at <http://www.fairfaxwater.org>.

The public hearing will be held in Fairfax Water's offices at 8570 Executive Park Avenue, Fairfax, VA. Those wishing to speak at this hearing or desiring a copy of the proposed resolution should call Eva Catlin at (703) 289-6017. Interested parties also may submit written comments to [PublicHearingComments@fairfaxwater.org](mailto:PublicHearingComments@fairfaxwater.org) or mail written comments to:

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## News



A Rebuilding Together volunteer cuts a new board while repairing a homeowner's front porch.

## RTA Receives Home Depot Foundation Grant

Rebuilding Together Alexandria, a volunteer-based, nonprofit organization that preserves affordable housing and revitalizes communities, has been selected as a Home Depot Foundation 2012 Community Impact Grant recipient. The \$5,000 grant will be used to make much-needed home repairs to low-income residents in Alexandria, at no cost to those that are served.

Volunteers will install programmable thermostats and compact fluorescent light bulbs, repair door and window locks, replace smoke detectors, paint, seal air gaps throughout homes, replace broken appliances, repair leaking roofs, and much more.

To apply, volunteer or donate, visit [www.RebuildingTogetherAlex.org](http://www.RebuildingTogetherAlex.org) or call 703-836-1021.

## BULLETIN BOARD

Email announcements to [gazette@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:gazette@connectionnewspapers.com). Deadline is Thursday by noon. Photos welcome.

### THURSDAY/AUG. 16

**CARD Virginia School** will host open house 6:30-8:30 p.m. for families of children ages 3-12 with autism spectrum disorders. CARD (Center for Autism and Related Disorders) offers a unique program with a one-to-one student-teacher ratio and 215 days of instruction per year. At 5400 Shawnee Road Suite 208. Visit <http://virginia.centerforautism.com> or call 855-345-2273.

### MONDAY/AUG. 20

**Alexandria Hospital Lectures:** Minimally Invasive Joint Replacement presented by John Albrigo, M.D. Inova Alexandria Hospital Auditorium. 7 p.m. 4320 Seminary Road. Register: 1-855-694-6682 or register online at [inova.org/AskTheExpert](http://inova.org/AskTheExpert)  
**Town Hall Meeting** hosted by the WPFW Local Station Board. 6:30-8:30 p.m. The meeting will be at the Charles Houston Rec Center in Alexandria just 2 blocks from Braddock Metro Station at 901 Wythe St. The Rec center is in the middle of a community fighting to preserve affordable housing and fight displacement of low income families. The Town Hall is free and open to the public. Contact 202-588-0999 ext 0 for any questions. Or go to [wpfw.org](http://wpfw.org)

### TUESDAY/AUG. 21

**Alexandria Sheriff's Office Accreditation.** 3-5 p.m. The Office is asking for comments from interested community members during its on-site assessment by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA), an international organization facilitating the pursuit of law enforcement excellence. Community members and agency employees are invited to a public meeting at 520 King St.



## PEOPLE

### Jarrett, Crute Wed

**A**shley Nicole Jarrett of Virginia Beach and Patrick David Crute of Chesapeake were married on June 30, 2012, at Farmville United Methodist Church, Farmville, Va. The Rev. Sylvia Meadows officiated and a reception followed in Blackwell Hall, Longwood University.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David I. Jarrett of Virginia Beach, Va. She is the granddaughter of Mr. James B. Harris and the late Mrs. Nellie Harris of Norfolk, Va., and the late Mr. and Mrs. James Jarrett of Normal, Ill.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. David Crute, Jr. of Chesapeake, Va. He is the grandson of the late Raymond J. Whitehurst, and Peggy Eason Whitehurst and Charles Lindbergh Whisenant of Chesapeake, Va., and the late J. David Crute, Sr., former mayor of Farmville, and Jane Danby Crute of Farmville, Va.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Mrs. Stephanie Lee, friend of the bride, served as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Colleen Nichols, Miss Lori Corley, and Miss Katie Bartoszek. Mr. David Crute, Jr. was his son's best man. Groomsmen were Mr. Stephen Lee, Mr. Matthew Baldwin, cousin of the groom, and Mr. Christopher Warren. Mrs. Pamela Baldwin and Mrs. Debbie Ives served as Mistress of Ceremonies. Miss Katie Nosay, niece of the bride, and Miss Lauren Cashwell served as guest book attendants. Mr. Andrew Nosay and Mr. Carter Jarrett, nephews of the bride, greeted guests with the programs.

Mrs. Crute, a graduate of Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Va., received an M.S.Ed in education with a concentration in higher education in May, and in 2006 a B.S. in elementary education from



**Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Crute**

Longwood University in Farmville, Va. She is employed by George Mason University in Fairfax, Va. as the assistant director of career services in the School of Management.

Mr. Crute, a 2006 graduate of Longwood University in Farmville, Va., received B.A. degrees in history and political science. He is employed by DDC Advocacy in National Harbor, Md. as the deputy field manager.

Following a honeymoon in Ireland, Mr. and Mrs. Crute will reside in Alexandria.



**From left: Chloe Constants, Dorothy Constants, Allyson Markussen and Steve Constants at the Avalon Yacht Club.**

### Markussen Receives Scholarship

**O**n July 27, the Constants family of Annapolis, Md., headed to the Jersey Shore to present an Alexandria resident with the first Olivia Constants Foundation college scholarship. Steve and Dorothy Constants created the Olivia Constants Foundation to honor the qualities of their daughter Olivia, who died in a sailing mishap last summer.

Enroute the Lightning Class Atlantic Championships, Steve, Dorothy and Chloe Constants stopped at the Avalon YC to personally congratulate Allyson "Ally" Markussen and speak of the foundation.

With gathering of family and members of the Avalon YC Sailing Committee, Steve Constants presented Markussen with the Olivia Constants Foundation college scholarship and outlined the organization's goals to partner with teams and community outreach programs to help those in need or those less fortunate than others.

Steve and Dorothy Constants shared the qualities that stood out in Olivia — her distinguishable laugh, genuine kindness and compassion for others — as her gifts that the parents wish to share by helping others in her name.

Markussen was selected for her personal character, compassion and empathy for others that reflected the spirit of Olivia.

A 2012 graduate of Bishop Ireton High School in Alexandria, Markussen will enter St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia, in the fall. She is the daughter of Dean and Marie Markussen of Alexandria, and spends the summers as a sailing instructor for the Avalon YC on a barrier island in Cape May County, N.J. For more information about the Olivia Constants Foundation and its outreach efforts, go to [www.oliviaconstants.org](http://www.oliviaconstants.org) or see their Facebook page at Olivia Constants Foundation.

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## OBITUARY

### Ruth Delones Seaton

Ruth Delones Seaton, 82, of Stuart, Fla. died on Thursday, Aug. 2, 2012 at Treasure Coast Hospice in Stuart.

Ms. Seaton was born in Florence, Ala. and had been a resident of Stuart, Fla. coming from

Alexandria. Prior to retirement she had been a medical assistant for over 15 years in Alexandria.

She is survived by two sons, Donnie Seaton of Maryville, Tenn. and Keith Seaton of Spring City, Tenn.; one daughter, Rhonda Keeling of Upper Marlboro, Md.; two



grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her husband, Bill M. Seaton, and one brother Lowell Delones.

The family will hold a private memorial service at a later date.

Memorial Contributions may be made to the local humane society.

Arrangements are entrusted to Treasure Coast Seawinds Funeral Home & Crematory, Stuart, Fla.

Condolences may be expressed at: [www.treasurecoastseawinds.com](http://www.treasurecoastseawinds.com).



# ENTERTAINMENT

## 55 Restaurants Offer \$35 Menus

For 10 days this summer, restaurants throughout Alexandria will offer a \$35 prix-fixe three-course dinner or \$35 dinner for two. Foodies can savor the flavors of Alexandria's distinctive collection of eateries, from fine dining to casual neighborhood gems. Alexandria is known for its independently owned and chef-driven restaurants.

For 10 days, including two weekends, diners can treat themselves to the culinary creations of Alexandria's distinctive collection of eateries, from fine dining to neighborhood gems.

Chef Cathal Armstrong's newest Alexandria venture, Society Fair, makes its Restaurant Week debut – joining two of his other establishments, The Majestic and Virtue Feed & Grain. Layla's Lebanese Restaurant is also new to the event. Diners can sample menus by the new executive chef at The Grille at Morrison House and Jackson 20, Brian McPherson.

Restaurant Week menus and online reservations are available on VisitAlexandriaVA.com. Foodies can peruse the list of participants, which includes Washingtonian's "100 Very Best Restaurants" pick The Majestic plus OpenTable Diners' Choice Winners La Bergerie, A la Lucia, Tempo, Geranio, and Monroe's - An American Trattoria. Other favorites include Bastille, Cheesetique, Columbia Firehouse, Fontaine Caffé & Creperie, The Warehouse, and Delia's Mediterranean Grill.

Alexandria is known for its independently owned and chef-driven restaurants. This bi-annual event enables residents and visitors to experience Alexandria's diversity of restaurant choices and taste the culinary inventiveness of local chefs. The August 2012 event is the third time Alexandria Restaurant Week has been offered in the summer. Alexandria Restaurant Week was launched in 2009 and has been popular with patrons and restaurateurs ever since. The Alexandria Convention & Visitors Association coordinates and markets the event, which is free for participating restaurants. In addition to serving as an economic driver for Alexandria restaurants, Alexandria Restaurant

Week builds the Alexandria brand as it helps the city to become known as a culinary destination.

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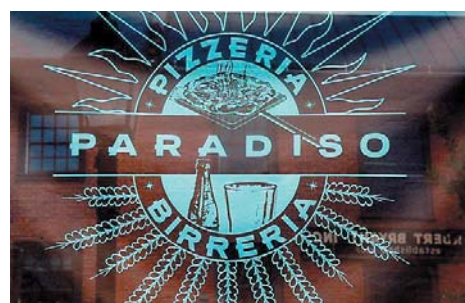
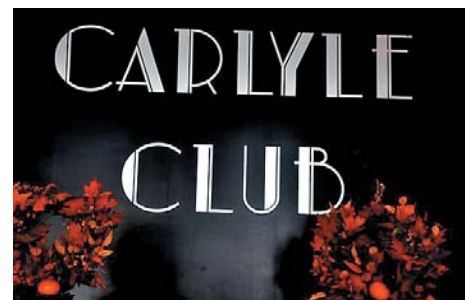
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### Details

#### Alexandria Summer Restaurant Week

Aug. 17-26, 2012  
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Restaurants, menus, and online reservations at VisitAlexandriaVA.com or call 703-746-3301.



### CALENDAR

E-mail announcements to [gazette@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:gazette@connectionnewspapers.com). Photos and artwork are encouraged. Deadline is Thursday at noon.

#### THURSDAY/AUG. 9

**Dance Classes.** Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 North Royal St. In preparation for the Jane Austen Ball on Aug. 11, learn English country dancing from expert dance instructors. \$12 per class, or \$30 for the series of three. 7-9:30 p.m. Reservations recommended. Visit [www.gadsbystavern.org](http://www.gadsbystavern.org) or call 703-746-4242.

#### Untitled Me Exhibit and Reception.

6-9 p.m. ART Options partners with the Torpedo Factory to bring you Untitled Me, a collection of self portraits and celebrated icons created by diverse talented artists from the DC region. Visitors are encouraged to bring broken or constant items to be attached to human frames made of wire. At Torpedo Factory Arts Center, 105 N. Union St., Sites 2 and 3 (second floor).

**Bingo Night.** 6:30-8:30 p.m. Back 2 School Bingo Night at Gum Springs Community Center. The Gum Springs Community Center is located at 8100

Fordson Road. Call 703-360-6088.

#### FRIDAY/AUG. 10

**Friday Night Live featuring Gerald Scott & CO.** 7 p.m. Free. Special guest William McMillan with songs from his new album "Incredible." Shiloh Baptist Church Worship Center, 1401 Jamieson Ave.

**Hooray for Books! Children's Bookstore.** 10:30-11 a.m. Join our Wee Ones Storytime as we explore the exciting world around us with our favorite stories and songs. Ages 2 and under free. At 1555 King St. Call 703-548-4092 or visit

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#### SATURDAY/AUG. 11

**Summer Trees of Park Fairfax.** 9-10:30 a.m. Free. Join us for a summer morning walk at amongst the trees at Park Fairfax. Education chair Scott Knudsen will review the keys to summer tree identification techniques. He will discuss the native habitat of each tree and good uses for the tree in the landscape. RSVP required. Email [sknudsen@earthlink.com](mailto:sknudsen@earthlink.com) to register.

**Debi Smith.** 7 p.m. A folk/pop singer, Smith has recorded more than 20

albums and compilations. Performing at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church at 8531 Riverside Rd., between Fort Hunt Road and Route 1. Visit [www.debismith.com](http://www.debismith.com).

**Jane Austen Ball.** Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 North Royal St. Step back to the time of Jane Austen at this late 1790's-era ball. The evening will feature a variety of English country dances in the historic ballroom, live music, and "iced refreshments." Period costume optional, "after-five" attire encouraged. \$45 in advance, reservations are required. 8-11 p.m.

SEE CALENDAR, PAGE 29





## On the Move

The Wanderer is inclined to believe, despite his moniker, that the benefit to moving must be quite substantial to make it worth the herculean effort required. But here are five businesses that have found the perfect match of location, location, location — and space — for the move to benefit themselves and their clients, all in Old Town, naturally. Swing by and take a gander.

### C RED BARN MERCANTILE

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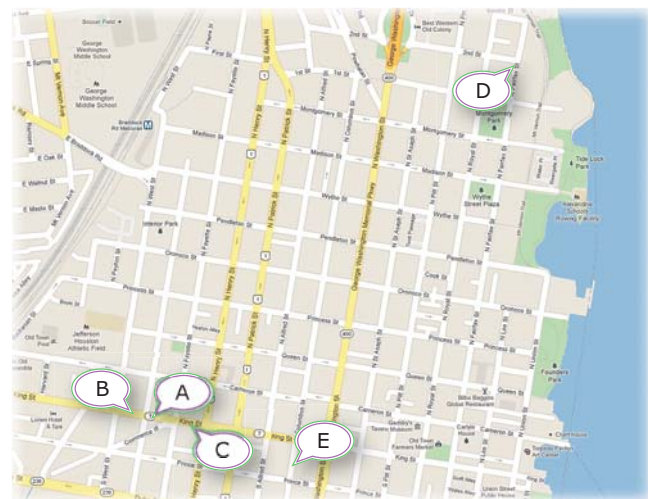
Aida Fekir is thrilled to be in her new, larger, light-filled location. Since her move she has welcomed two new associates adding new techniques of therapeutic massage and shellac nail services for manicures and pedicures to her spa menu that includes her award-winning organic waxing treatments. 1309 King Street, 703.535.7875, [aidaspaoldtown.com](http://aidaspaoldtown.com)

Photos by Jane Hughes



### A THE SUGAR CUBE

Kim and Alyssa have relocated their modern chocolate and candy store to a bright new space that now has an on-site kitchen, a large party room for children's parties and classes with plenty of space for bulk candies and events. 1218 King Street, 703.548.2868, [sugarcubesweets.com](http://sugarcubesweets.com)



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### E ELINOR COLEMAN'S VINTAGE MIRAGE

Elinor Coleman has settled into a street level location just off of King Street. She now enjoys more than twice the space of her previous location, a large fitting room, high ceilings, built-in shelving and a stunning mantle that perfectly suits her eclectic collection of vintage clothing, jewelry and accessories. 117 South Columbus Street, 703.535.8200, [vintagemirage.com](http://vintagemirage.com)



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# ENTERTAINMENT

## Summer Sidewalk Sale Returns to Old Town

The streets of Alexandria will be buzzing with shoppers on Saturday, Aug. 11 at The Third Annual Old Town Summer Sidewalk Sale.

Participating merchants and restaurants will be showcasing their products in the third City-wide sale event. This year, many stores will be open early, at 9 a.m., making it easy to stop by after the farmers market.

Each participating business will host a different event or promotion—some retailers will be offering deeply-discounted summer merchandise, some will be holding demonstrations of their product lines, and others will have special events. Visit [www.alexandriasidewalksale.com/](http://www.alexandriasidewalksale.com/) for participants and their hours.

Event sponsors are the Potomac Riverboat Company and the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association.

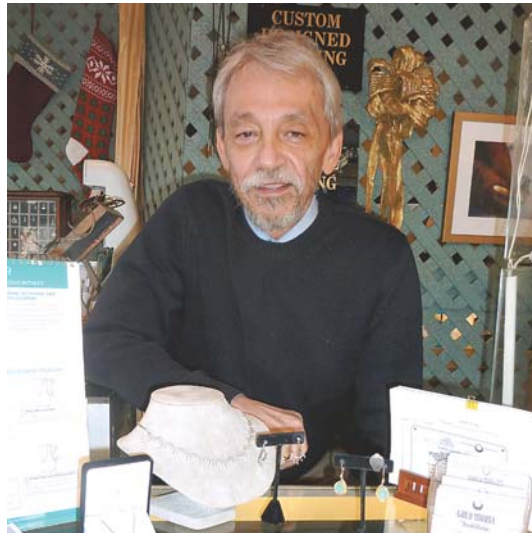


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**David Martin of Goldworks will participate in the 3rd Annual Old Town Summer Sidewalk Sale on Saturday, Aug. 11.**

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Visit [www.gadsbystavern.org](http://www.gadsbystavern.org) or call 703-746-4242.

**Hooray for Books! Children's Bookstore.** 10:30-11 a.m. Join our Wee Ones Storytime as we explore the exciting world around us with our favorite stories and songs. Ages 2 and under free. At 1555 King St. Call 703-548-4092 or visit [hooray4books.com](http://hooray4books.com).

### THROUGH AUG. 12

**"The Wizard of Oz"** presented by the Port Tobacco Players. Come see the family musical adapted for the stage from the classic movie version. Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m. Tickets for adults are \$17 and tickets for students, seniors, and military are \$14.

### SUNDAY/AUG. 12

**Civil War Sunday.** Alexandria Archaeology Museum, 105 North Union St., #327. Explore the Civil War in Alexandria. Free. 1-5 p.m. Visit [www.alexandriaarchaeology.org](http://www.alexandriaarchaeology.org) or call 703-746-4399.

### MONDAY/AUG. 13

**Music.** An Intimate Duo Evening with LUCINDA WILLIAMS featuring Doug Pettibone at the Birchmere. \$49.50. Visit [www.Birchmere.com](http://www.Birchmere.com).

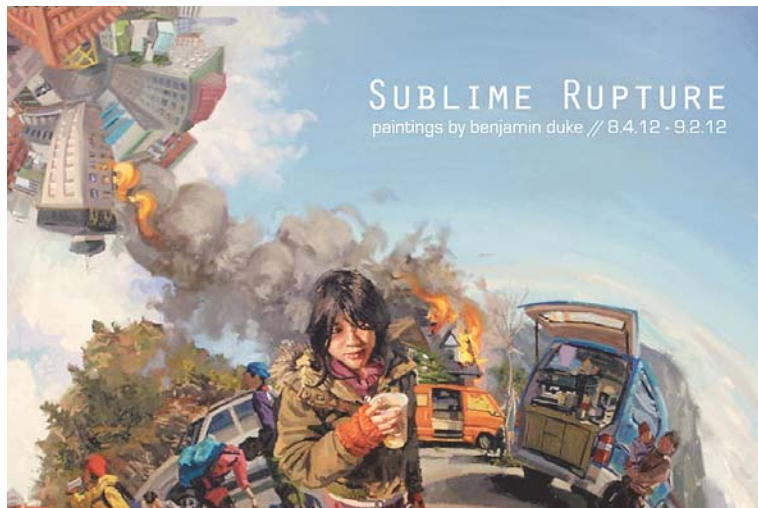
### TUESDAY/AUG. 14

**Music.** An Intimate Duo Evening with LUCINDA WILLIAMS featuring Doug Pettibone at the Birchmere. \$49.50. Visit [www.Birchmere.com](http://www.Birchmere.com).

### FRIDAY/AUG. 17

**Alexandria Harmonizers Concert.**

**Focus Music in Mount Vernon presents folk/pop singer Debi Smith in concert 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 11, at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church. Tickets are \$18 general, \$15 in advance at FocusMusic.org. St. Aidan's is located at 8531 Riverside Rd., between Fort Hunt Road and Route 1. Visit [debismith.com](http://debismith.com).**



**The Torpedo Factory Art Center's Target Gallery presents the exhibition Sublime Rupture, featuring a series of large paintings by artist Benjamin Duke, winner of the gallery's 2012 Open Exhibition competition. There will be a reception Thursday, Aug. 9, 6-8 p.m., including a gallery talk with Benjamin Duke at 7 p.m. 105 N. Union St. Visit [www.torpedofactory.org/target](http://www.torpedofactory.org/target).**

7:30-8:30 p.m. The Alexandria Harmonizers, men's barbershop group, perform a variety of musical harmony. Sit around Market Square on bench seating, or bring a folding chair to enjoy the music. Market Square, 301 King St. Call 703-746-5592.

**Mount Vernon Swing Band.** 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$4 at the door. Owen Hammett will conduct the live band. Light refreshments will be provided by Mount Vernon Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Rd. Call 703-765-4573.



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**Sierra Hull and Highway 11.** 7:30 p.m. Free. Part of the Mount Vernon Concert Series. Performing at Grist Mill Park, 4710 Mt. Vernon Hwy.

**Cirque du Soleil.** 8 p.m. The Campagna Center will benefit from this performance of TOTEM at the Plateau at National Harbor. Ticket sales through the center benefits the programs of The Campagna Center. Visit [www.campagnacenter.org](http://www.campagnacenter.org) or email Lee Stenberg at [lstenberg@campagnacenter.org](mailto:lstenberg@campagnacenter.org). Tickets: \$115.

### SATURDAY/AUG. 18

**The United States Marine Chamber Orchestra.** Summer Concert Series III. 7:30 p.m. Free. Schlesinger Center, 3001 N. Beauregard St. Visit [www.marineband.usmc.mil](http://www.marineband.usmc.mil).

**Nature Walk.** 10 a.m. Join a nature walk led by Dr. Elizabeth Wells, Associate Professor Emerita of Botany at the George Washington University. Emphasis will be on native plants and identification of "pollinator syndromes" — flower characteristics that may appeal to a particular type of pollinator. At the Dyke Marsh

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Wildlife Preserve.

**Alexandria and the War of 1812: A Town Occupied.** Come to Carlyle House Historic Park to learn about the burning of Washington and surrender of Alexandria in August 1814. Lectures will take place in Virginia's oldest bank building, the former home of the Bank of Alexandria, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and tours of the museum 10 a.m.-4 p.m. \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 5-12. Children's activities included in price of admission. At 121 N. Fairfax Street. Call 703-549-2997.

## SUNDAY/AUG. 19

**Family Day.** 1-4p.m. Gadsby's Tavern Museum is welcoming families with tours hosted by its Junior Docents. Visit [www.gadsbystavern.org](http://www.gadsbystavern.org)

**Silent Auction.** St. Joseph Catholic Church, 711 N. Columbus St. Following both Masses in the Church Hall until 3 p.m. Jewelry, paintings, crystal, silver, china, personal services and more.

**The Committee for Jazz** will feature Vaughn Ambrose for its concert. At Meade Church, 322 N. Alfred St. Donation is \$15. Light refreshments will be served, and parking is available in the church's lot and on the street.

## TUESDAY/AUG. 21

**"Postal Routes and Our Ancestors"** will be presented by Leslie Bouvier and the Mount Vernon Genealogical Society ( MVGS) in room 112 of the Hollin Hall Senior Center, starting at 1 p.m. Free, open to the public. The program will focus on the who, what, where, when, and



**Cirque du Soleil returns to The Plateau at National Harbor with TOTEM. Tickets purchased through The Campagna Center for Friday, Aug. 17, 8 p.m. will benefit programs at The Campagna Center. \$115. Visit [www.compagnacenter.org](http://www.compagnacenter.org).**

how of mail from before the Revolution into the 19th century. The Hollin Hall Senior Center is located at 1500 Shenandoah Rd. Contact Phyllis Kelley at 703-660-6969 or [publicity@mvgenealogy.org](mailto:publicity@mvgenealogy.org).

## THURSDAY/AUG. 23

**Elephant Day.** All day, all elephant items will be 20 percent off, customers can sample elephant themed snacks and read fun facts

## Oregon Wine Tasting with Biggio Hamina Winery

On Monday Aug. 13, from 6-8 p.m., The Butcher's Block will host an Oregon wine tasting with Biggio Hamina Winery winemaker and proprietor, Todd Hamina.

Hamina founded Biggio Hamina winery in September 2007 with a focus on Pinot Noirs. The winery practices whole cluster fermentation, and prefers grapes from volcanic soil. The store will offer a 10 percent discount on all half cases and 15 percent on a whole case. The tasting is complimentary, and open to the public, and below is a list of the wines that will be poured:

❖ Biggio Hamina 2009 Cougars Mark Vineyard Willamette Valley Pinot Grigio – Light straw color, provides tropical notes of melon and pineapple combined with mineral scents of wet stone.

❖ Biggio Hamina 2009 Willamette Valley Pinot Noir - Fresh red raspberry fruit prevails, with hints of white pepper and earth. A crisp, food-friendly wine.

❖ Biggio Hamina 2007 Momtazi Vineyard Pinot Noir - Red raspberries, red cherries, and sweet cinnamon intermingle in the glass. Silky smooth tannins finish this biodynamic Pinot noir.

❖ Biggio Hamina 2007 Deux Vert Vineyard Pinot Noir – Big, earthy blackberry and black currant flavors finish with structured firm tannins. This is a wine to cellar or decant before serving now.

*The Butcher's Block is located at 1600 King Street. Visit [www.braborestaurant.com](http://www.braborestaurant.com) or [www.facebook.com/braborestaurant](http://www.facebook.com/braborestaurant).*

about elephants at Ten Thousand Villages. In addition, 15 percent of the day's sales will be donated to the International Elephant Foundation, which works to protect elephants and their dwindling habitats in Africa and Asia. Visit [www.elephantconservation.org](http://www.elephantconservation.org). Call 703-684-1435 or visit [www.alexandria.tenthousandvillages.com](http://www.alexandria.tenthousandvillages.com).

## FRIDAY/AUG. 24

**Concert by National Community Church.** A local church is performing songs written by award-winning singer-songwriters, from its first worship CD, "The God Anthology" at the Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Visit [www.godanthology.com](http://www.godanthology.com) or [www.Birchmere.com](http://www.Birchmere.com).

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