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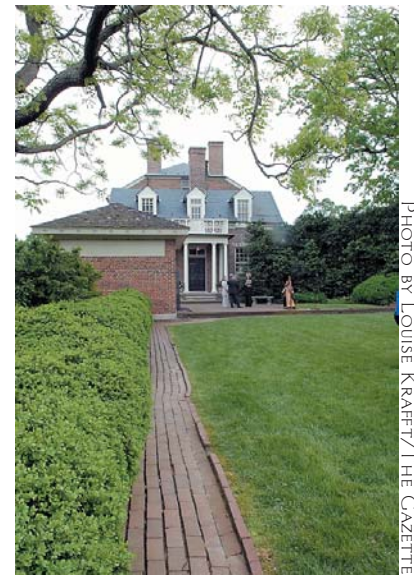


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**Woodlawn Plantation**

## Welcome to Mount Vernon

BY SUPERVISOR GERRY HYLAND  
MOUNT VERNON DISTRICT

**W**elcome to Mount Vernon, an area steeped in history and full of exciting activities. If you are a history buff, you will enjoy a trip to Mount Vernon Estate, Gunston Hall and Woodlawn Plantation. If you prefer natural spaces, be sure to explore our extensive park systems in Mason Neck, Laurel Hill, and Dyke Marsh along the George Washington Memorial Parkway.



If active recreation is more your thing, you can play a round of golf on the world class Laurel Hill Golf Course or let the kids splash around in the Pirates Cove Waterpark and explore our Fairfax County Recreation Centers. The Potomac River is always beautiful with some of the best bass fishing in the country. You can launch out of Belle Haven or Pohick Bay marinas.

New shops and restaurants are being built along Richmond Highway, so be sure to shop and dine along Mount Vernon's main street. Perhaps you want to try your hand at civic matters and join one of our over 150 civic or homeowners associations represented by the Mount Vernon Council or South County Federation. Be sure to attend Mount Vernon's Town Meeting held on the Saturday before the Super Bowl to learn about our district and ask questions of its elected representatives. I hope my enthusiasm has convinced you to participate in your community and its many activities.

If you are a newcomer reading this message, I welcome you wholeheartedly. If you already are a resident of the Mount Vernon District, I don't have to convince you of the benefits of living here and hope that you continue to enjoy all the best that our district offers.

## The Forces That Shape Mount Vernon

**Transit study to relieve Route 1 corridor traffic gridlock; boundary studies to relieve overcrowded schools.**

BY GERALD A. FILL  
THE GAZETTE

**T**he decision several years ago by the federal Base Realignment and Closure Commission (BRAC) to massively expand the Fort Belvoir military base on Route 1 near Woodlawn Plantation will continue to be felt by the Mount Vernon community in many ways and for years to come. Prima-

rily, it will affect local and regional traffic which is already causing traffic gridlock. The ability of Federal, State, and local government leaders to effectively cope with the impact on traffic of the Belvoir expansion will determine the pace of other developments and the quality of life of Mount Vernon area residents and businesses.

### WHAT'S AHEAD

Plans are in the works for Mount Vernon

area school boundary changes to manage increases in student enrollment and West Potomac High School overcrowding, and determine which students end up in what schools.

And this summer Fairfax County began a long awaited county-wide transit study that will set in motion decisions on road and mass transit improvements in the Route 1 corridor. The decisions should eventually

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## Newcomers Are Needed to Volunteer

**Here are four agencies to join.**

BY ED SIMMONS, JR.  
THE GAZETTE

**A**ltruistic? Enjoy helping others? Although affluent homes predominate in the Mount Vernon community, along the Route 1 corridor there are numbers of homeless people camping in the woods and numerous families struggling to put food on the table and subsisting in crowded apartments and rundown motels.

To make a difference, volunteer at the following four nonprofit local agencies.

### NEW HOPE HOUSING

With a focus on sheltering the homeless and helping them find work, the administrative offices of New Hope Housing are located at 8407 Richmond Highway. Call 703-799-2293.

New Hope Housing operates the Kennedy  
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**Sherry Edelkamp (left) of New Hope Housing discusses the evening meal at the Rising Hope hypothermia shelter with volunteers from Christ Church, Kerry Erisman, Esperanza Hall and Kat Schrieber.**

# Community Leaders Outline High Priority Local Issues

## Gerald Hyland

Supervisor, Mount Vernon District:

❖ Widen the Richmond Highway through Woodlawn and Fort Belvoir.

❖ Revitalize Richmond Highway, including implementing the Laurel Hill Adaptive Reuse Plan, deciding on the residential density and building housing at North Hill, and ensuring the survival of the Lorton Arts

Foundation.

Hyland commented on these issues: "The Route 1 widening project will help ease the daily traffic backups around Fort Belvoir .... As part of the process, the National Trust for Historic Preservation must decide if they will continue to lease the Woodlawn Stables property past 2016 before the Board of Supervisors can endorse any (Route 1) alignment option.

"At North Hill the community must decide if they want to support amending the Comprehensive Plan and rezone the property to permit more density in a multifamily development with a mix of market rate and affordable units at no cost to Fairfax County through a public-private partnership, or have Fairfax County finance approximately \$9 million in bonds to build 67 manufactured homes.

"The Lorton Arts Foundation (LAF) is a jewel at the corner of Ox and Lorton roads which has struggled to raise money during the recession. A second successful concert series has been started over the summer at the LAF .... I encourage everyone to visit the art facility and/or take classes at this wonderful facility .... Mount Vernon is truly a great place to live."

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## Dan Storck

School Board member, noted the top elementary and secondary education issues facing Mount Vernon area residents:

❖ A new superintendent search will soon begin in order to replace current Superintendent Jack Dale, who will retire June 30, 2013.

❖ Boundary studies will be conducted in the elementary school areas north of Fort Belvoir both east and west of Route 1 to determine where a projected 1,000 new students will attend school. Simultaneously, all Mount Vernon District middle and high school boundaries will be involved in a boundary study to address the projected overcrowding at West Potomac High School and to better utilize existing educational capacity at other schools.

❖ Capital and operating funding needs to be sustained in order to continue to maintain first class schools. Per capita funding levels are lower than they were five years ago and everything possible must be done to refocus our resources on core achievement goals.

❖ We must continue to strengthen student achievement. When enriched academics are needed, it means offering advanced instruction in a classroom, in a center, or at special schools. Our mission must remain ensuring that each child reaches their full potential.

## David Versel

Executive Director, Southeast Fairfax Development Corporation:

❖ Improve Route 1 Connectivity, i.e., improve the connections between major arterials and nodes.

❖ Bring rail transit to the area.

❖ Obtain proffers from developers to help pay for the transportation and environmental improvements as part of the already underway multimillion dollar investments in commercial and residential building projects along the Route 1 corridor.

❖ Expand the availability of dining and entertainment offerings

❖ Do what it takes to bring together the Lee and Mount Vernon communities and its leaders to pursue a unified vision of a revitalized Route 1 corridor.

## Scott Surovell

State Delegate, 44th District:

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- **Health care** needs to remain about patients, doctors, and quality of care; not become a data-centered bureaucracy.
- **Family law** should support families, and ensure justice is also provided for single-parent and broken homes.
- **Transportation** should be about ensuring a way for our economy to grow, expand, and be prepared for the future.

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**Alex./Stoneybrooke \$459,900**  
**7001 Brookington Court**

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**Alex./Riverwood \$792,500**  
**9301 Ludgate Drive**

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spectacular backyard. 5 min to Ft. Belvoir, 15 to Old Town, 25 to Reagan Nat'l Airport, and scenic commute along GW Pkwy and Potomac into D.C. This house is a gem!



**Alex./Mt. Vernon \$319,000**  
**7901 Martha Washington Street**

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# Priorities

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- ❖ Widen Route 1 and provide a transit model that will support redevelopment for the next 100 years.
- ❖ Improve and expand public education assistance. We need to expand opportunities for early childhood education and fully fund our secondary school system. The state is not fully funding our public education needs. In addition, the cost of higher education in Virginia is out of control. We are supporting our state colleges at 50 percent of the inflation-adjusted levels we were 20 years ago. This needs to change.
- ❖ Virginia needs to expand its Medicaid eligibility requirements and establish a health insurance exchange so individuals can have access to affordable insurance.
- ❖ We need to do a better job of establishing systems of elder care support to allow seniors to age in place. Our area has one of the highest concentrations of seniors.
- ❖ We need to protect the water quality of the streams in the Mount Vernon area by establishing storm water controls, and to provide a means to reduce and prevent litter and toxic runoff to prevent contamination of our streams and rivers. Also, the state should adopt renewal energy tax incentives to help preserve and protect our

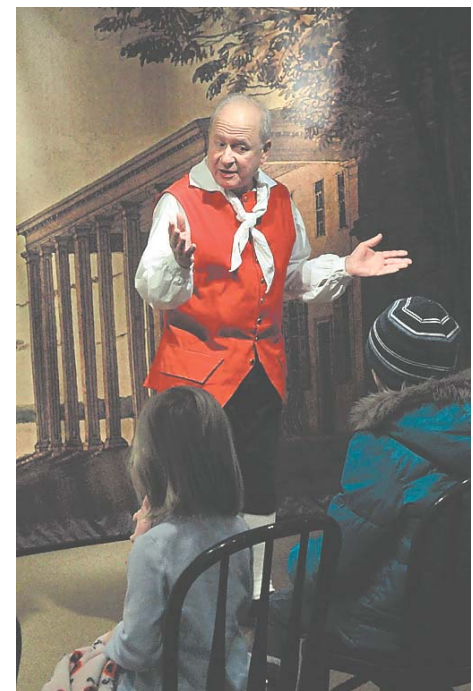


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**Actor Ron Field portraying Artemus Tucker engages the children in reenacting the story of the Oxen and the Lion during an afternoon of storytelling at the Mount Vernon Estate.**

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## Betsy Martin

Chair, Environment & Recreation Commit

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**The Grist Mill**



**Historic Huntley**

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## Outlining High Priority Local Issues

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tee, MVCCA:

- ❖ We must develop the will and urge the funding necessary to adequately address the serious air and water quality problems we face in the area.

- ❖ We need to reduce stormwater runoff, and reduce water pollution.

- ❖ We have to prepare for climate change; severe heat, extreme weather, including extreme storms.

- ❖ A third challenge is to ensure that all people, but especially children, are provided with opportunities to experience the natural world. We are so wired to our electronic media that we tend to be cut off from the natural world; the sensual and spiritual experience of nature. Experiencing nature is good for people-it reduces stress and helps people slow down and restore balance and perspective that is really important for our emotional well-being. I remember right after 9-11 we noticed a man regularly bicycle down to Little Hunting Creek to sit on a bench and read the Bible. Finally my husband talked to him to find out that he worked in counterterrorism at the Pentagon. He couldn't tell us the details about what he did. However, clearly he found some respite from the tension of his job by experiencing the peaceful setting of the creek. People who have forgotten how to experience nature need to be invited back in, to relearn their connection to the natural world. I think our connection with the natural world makes people happier and more aware-not to mention better stewards of the earth.

### Queenie Cox

Chair, Consumer Protection Committee, MVCCA:

Consumers are very likely to face the following problems in the coming year and, therefore, our community and political leaders need to be ready to help those in need: Increases in gasoline prices; increases in food prices; a reduction in emergency or disaster assistance services; a failure on the part of the state to provide a fair share of the state surplus to the Mount Vernon area for those most in need of assistance.

### Elizabeth Lardner

Mount Vernon commissioner and chair of the Fairfax County Redevelopment and Housing Authority:

- ❖ Retain and preserve affordable market rate housing in the Route 1 Corridor as it undergoes transformation and redevelopment.

- ❖ Provide for the inclusion of accessory dwelling units within single family neighborhoods in support of seniors desire to age in place.

- ❖ Integrate new units of affordable housing into our community that serve all income levels; through mixed use developments and in conjunction with the development of public facilities.

- ❖ Make use of vacant county lands and institutional properties such as religious facilities or hospitals for the provision of workforce housing.

### SHIRLEY MARSHALL

Newly appointed executive director, United Community Ministries (UCM), who directs one of several non-profit service providers assisting needy individuals and families in the Route 1 Corridor, said:

"Last year we served over 4,000 households, thanks to donations to UCM .... We expect a substantial demand for our services this fall and the coming year due to several factors: the drought nationally will drive up food prices, and proposed federal changes may cut the local workforce. If you are buying less, stores will sell less, and employers may lay off workers, etc. In Virginia there is a long and growing waiting list for child care support. Without affordable child care or higher wages it is hard to stay employed. In addition, demand for housing keeps rent high. Fortunately we have successful programs to help people deal with these troubles; however, we need more support to grow them."

### Holly Dougherty

Executive Director, Mount Vernon-Lee Chamber of Commerce:

- ❖ We need to create a better sense of identity to what is already a wonderful community. The U.S. Postal Service continues to use the mailing address for the Mount Vernon community as "Alexandria" even though it is not Alexandria city. Identifying our community as distinct from Alexandria city would help create a better sense of community.

- ❖ Tourism is a major industry for our community and we should do more to promote it by encouraging a colonial appearance in new buildings being constructed along the Route 1 corridor. It would attract tourists to the area. Route 1 is "America's First Highway" and needs a patriotic facelift as the gateway to our historic destinations and Fort Belvoir.

- ❖ We should be promoting the construction of new office buildings to bring jobs to the Route 1 corridor.

- ❖ Route 1 widening should extend from the Occoquan river in the south to the Beltway in the north to enable a consistent traffic flow and economic development.

Dougherty added: "Mount Vernon is a place where

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# Welcome to Fairfax County

BY SHARON BULOVA  
CHAIRMAN, FAIRFAX COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



**G**reetings and welcome to Fairfax County! Fairfax County is an exceptional place to live, work and play. We have a range of fantastic parks, trails, and recreational attractions as well as one of the best public school systems in the country. We are also one of the safest jurisdictions of our size in the United States. I'm sure that after experiencing what Fairfax has to offer, you will see why so many families, professionals, and top-tier businesses call Fairfax County home.

The Fairfax County Public School system, with a budget this year of \$2.4 billion, is consistently ranked among the top public school systems in America. Twenty-three Fairfax county high schools have been featured in the Washington Post's 2012 list of 1,800 top high schools in the nation, putting these Fairfax County schools in the top nine percent nationwide.

Fairfax County is also home to George Mason University, which is centrally located and an easy commute from all parts of the County. Mason has become one of Virginia's premier universities and was recently added to Kiplinger's list of best value universities

in the country.

We are a business-friendly community. Fairfax County is home to nearly 600,000 jobs, with companies ranging from startups to Fortune 500 companies, ten of which have located their headquarters here. Our range of business start-up resources via the Fairfax County Economic Development Authority makes it easier for firms of any size to thrive. In fact, about 97 percent of the companies in Fairfax County are small businesses with fewer than 100 employees and less than \$1 million in annual revenue. When a corporate leader recently moved his medium sized technology company to Fairfax County, he announced that he did so because he liked the "mood" in Fairfax, explaining that he wanted to be close to others who were as excited as he about their work and engagement in the community.

Accredited and nationally recognized for excellence by the award of the prestigious Gold Medal for Parks and Recreation, Fairfax County's parks are ranked among the best in the nation. We have more than 22,500 acres in 416 parks, with 80 percent of residents utilizing our park services each year. Fairfax County also boasts more than 500 miles of bicycle and walking trails. The bicycle trail system is tied into the county transit system to make it easier to reach



**Carl Gnam of the First Virginia Continental Line orders the troops to fire during the Mount Vernon Estate Celebration of the 230th Anniversary of the march to Yorktown.**

destinations without using a car. Fairfax Connector buses are all equipped with bicycle racks and VRE and Metro stations have bicycle racks or lockers – commuting by bicycle has never been easier!

Fairfax County also has a vibrant and growing arts community. The Workhouse Arts Center in Lorton, an historic county attraction and now converted arts space, allows visitors to watch artists perform their craft, and hosts many events ranging from exhibitions to plays.

As chairman of the Board of Supervisors, I am elected at-large by all registered voters in Fairfax County. Community engagement is my hallmark. Visit my website at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/chairman/> to be kept up-to-date on what is going on in the County. Whenever you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to email me at [chairman@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:chairman@fairfaxcounty.gov) or call my office at 703-324-2321.

Thanks for making Fairfax County your home!

## County School System Committed to Excellence

FCPS inspires, enables and empowers students to meet high academic standards, lead ethical lives and demonstrate responsible citizenship.

BY ILRYONG MOON  
CHAIRMAN AND  
MEMBER AT LARGE  
FAIRFAX COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD



**W**elcome to Fairfax County! One of the primary reasons you chose to live here may be the excellent reputation of Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS).

As chairman of the Fairfax County School Board, I am pleased to inform you that our reputation as one of the best public school systems in the country is well deserved.

FCPS is the largest school division in Virginia and the 11th largest in the United States out of more than 15,000 school divisions. The organizational structure of FCPS is focused on meeting the needs of more than 180,000 students while managing 196 schools and centers.

The Fairfax County School Board sets general school policy and, within the framework of state regulations, establishes guidelines and rules that will ensure the proper administration of the county school program. The Division Superintendent works

closely with the deputy superintendent and the assistant superintendents who oversee the day-to-day operations of the schools. As a world-class school system, FCPS inspires, enables, and empowers students to meet high academic standards, lead ethical lives, and demonstrate responsible citizenship.

Despite the economic challenges our school system has faced over the past four years, our students have continued to succeed at the highest levels. Our commitment to the achievement of all students is reflected in our students' SAT scores; FCPS' SAT average of 1654 exceeds both the state average of 1516 and the national average of 1500. For the 2010-11 school year, FCPS' pass rates for the Virginia Standards of Learning assessments were 93 percent in English and 92 percent in mathematics, and the achievement gap continued to narrow in reading for Black students and in mathematics for Hispanic students. About 92 percent of FCPS graduates plan to continue on to postsecondary education. In the 2011 ranking of public high schools

in the nation by the Washington Post, nearly all FCPS high schools were listed in the top 6 percent. Complete implementation of full-day kindergarten during the 2011-12 school year has been a vital success for the division, ensuring that all of our youngest students will benefit from the same educational opportunities. The commitment to serve our students is evident, with a majority of resources directed to the classroom. In FY 2013, 93 percent of our employees will be based in schools, and a majority of the operating budget, nearly 86 percent, will be spent on instruction. Hiring and retaining the very best teachers and divisionwide staff is also an essential component of our success.

FCPS values its diversity and a well-rounded education that goes beyond basics and encompasses the arts, literacy, technology, and preparation for the world of work. In return, the residents of Fairfax County embrace their schools. Businesses and community members generously volunteer their time and resources to help students. Schools are integrated into the fabric of the community, and residents take pride in the success of FCPS. Additionally, FCPS facilities



**Jaden sits still while his father Jimmy fits a hat on his head at the Hollin Meadows Multi-Cultural Fair.**

and athletic fields are available for use by the community, and adult and community education classes are offered throughout the year at locations throughout the county.

Once again, welcome to Fairfax County. Enjoy all that our community has to offer including our world-class school system!





# How To Register, Vote and Vote Early

Election Day is Nov. 6, but you can vote as early as Sept. 21.

BY MARY KIMM  
THE GAZETTE

**W**hy does it matter? How important is it for Virginia voters to turn out on or before Nov. 6? As a critical “battleground” state, Virginia will be key in determining who will be the next President of the United States. Who will represent Virginia in the U.S. Senate is also too close to call. Since polling shows that there are very few undecided voters in the Commonwealth, every eligible voter will want to be sure to cast a ballot.

This area has very high rates of voter registration. Consider that Fairfax County, with a population of just more than 1.1 million people, has 711,817 registered voters. And 24 percent of Fairfax County’s population is under 18, so not eligible to vote.

Arlington has a population of about 216,000 and 157,236 registered voters. Sixteen percent are under 18.

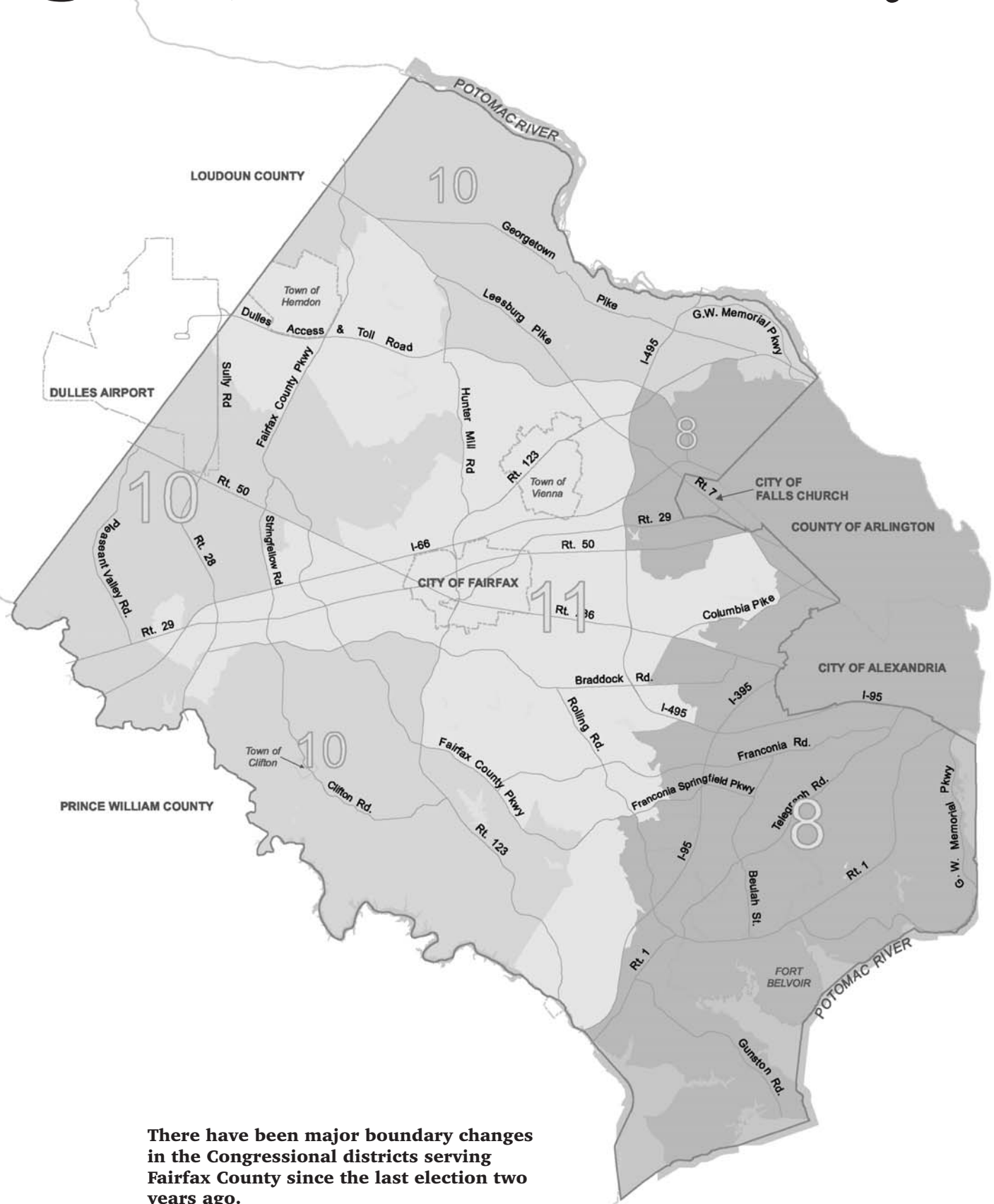
The City of Alexandria has a population of about 144,000 with 101,887 registered voters; 17 percent are under 18.

**REGISTER, CHANGE OF ADDRESS:** In order to vote on Election Day, you must be registered at your current address no later than Oct. 15, 2012. You can check your registration status online by going to [www.sbe.virginia.gov](http://www.sbe.virginia.gov). There you can also download a voter registration form and mail it to the elections office address, listed above.

**Voter ID:** New laws also affect what identification voters must bring with them to the polling place. Acceptable forms of identification include: Virginia voter identification card; valid Virginia driver’s license; military ID; any Federal, Virginia state or local government-issued ID; employer issued photo ID card; concealed handgun permit; valid student ID issued by any institution of higher education located in the Commonwealth of Virginia; current utility bill, bank statement, government check or paycheck indicating the name and address of the voter.

Voters arriving to the polls without ID will be required to vote a provisional ballot and will have until noon on the Friday after the election to deliver a copy of identification to their locality’s electoral board in order for their provisional ballot to be counted.

All Virginia active registered voters will be mailed a new Virginia voter identification card prior to the November 2012 General Election. Call 804-864-8901 or toll free 800-552-9745, TTY toll free: 800-260-3466. According to the State Board of Elections at presstime, some of the voter identification requirements listed are pending



**There have been major boundary changes in the Congressional districts serving Fairfax County since the last election two years ago.**

MAP PROVIDED BY FAIRFAX COUNTY GOVERNMENT.

preclearance from the Department of Justice.

**VOTING EARLY, ABSENTEE**

Virtually every voter in Virginia is eligible to vote absentee, which includes voting in-person absentee at a variety of locations between Sept. 21 and Nov. 2.

There are many reasons that voters are allowed to vote absentee, but the most

broad of these applies to almost anyone with a job: “Any person who, in the regular and orderly course of his business, profession, or occupation, will be at his place of work and commuting to and from his home to his place of work for 11 or more hours of the 13 that the polls are open (6 a.m. to 7 p.m.).”

See [http://www.sbe.virginia.gov/cms/absentee\\_voting/index.html](http://www.sbe.virginia.gov/cms/absentee_voting/index.html) for a complete

list of acceptable reasons to vote absentee, links to download a request for an absentee ballot and other instructions.

You can download an absentee ballot and mail it to your local voter registration office, or you can vote “absentee in person.”

Absentee Voting in Person, Fairfax County:

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# INSIDER'S EDITION

\* = incumbent

## U.S. SENATE



**Tim Kaine**  
(D)



**George Allen**  
(R)

## 8<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT



**Jim Moran**  
(D)\*



**Patrick Murray**  
(R)

## 10<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT



**Kristin A. Cabral**  
(D)



**Frank Wolf**  
(R)\*

## 11<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT



**Gerry Connolly**  
(D)\*



**Chris Perkins**  
(R)

# Election Day Is Nov. 6; Absentee Voting Begins Sept. 21

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❖ Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 323, Fairfax, VA 22035

Absentee voting hours, Sept. 21-Oct. 16, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Thursdays: 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Oct. 17-Nov. 2, Monday-Friday: 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Saturday Hours: Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27, Nov. 3: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Office Closed On: Monday, Oct. 8, 2012 (Columbus Day)

Last Day to Vote In-Person: Saturday, Nov. 3

Absentee Voting in Person, Fairfax County Satellite Locations

Voting in the following seven locations is available Oct. 17 - Nov. 3, Monday - Friday, 2 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturdays, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.:

❖ Franconia Governmental Center, 6121 Franconia Road, Alexandria, VA 22310

❖ Dolley Madison Library, 1244 Oak Ridge Avenue, McLean, VA 22101

❖ North County Human Services Building, 1850 Cameron Glen Drive, Reston, VA

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804 864-8901 Toll Free: 800 552-9745 FAX: 804 371-0194

email: info@sbe.virginia.gov  
http://www.sbe.virginia.gov/cms/Voter\_Information/Index.htm

### FAIRFAX COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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### CITY OF FAIRFAX GENERAL REGISTRAR

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### ALEXANDRIA BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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### ARLINGTON BOARD OF ELECTIONS

703-228-3456, http://www.arlingtonva.us/vote,  
2100 Clarendon Blvd. Suite 320, Arlington, 22201; FAX 703-228-3659; email voters@arlingtonva.us

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❖ West Springfield Governmental Center, 6140 Rolling Road, Springfield, VA 22152

❖ Mason Governmental Center, 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale, VA 22003

❖ Mount Vernon Governmental Center, 2511 Parkers Lane, Alexandria, VA 22306

❖ Sully Governmental Center, 4900 Stonecroft Boulevard, Chantilly, VA 20151

Absentee In-person Voting in the City of Alexandria:

In-person absentee voting starts Friday, Sept. 21 at 8 a.m. and ends Saturday, Nov. 3 at 5 p.m.

Regular hours for in-person absentee voting are Monday - Friday, from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. at the Office of Voter Registration and Elections, 132 North Royal Street, Suite 100 (the office is closed on Monday, Oct. 8).

Beatley Library will be used as a second absentee voting site beginning Thursday, Oct. 25.

More details, including dates of extended hours at <http://alexandriava.gov/elections/info/default.aspx?id=1720>

Arlington In-person Absentee Voting:

Will be available starting Sept. 21 and ending 5 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 3 at 2100 Clarendon Blvd., Lobby Level, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday, (closed Oct. 8) with some extended hours, and Saturdays beginning Sept. 29.

Two satellite locations, Barcroft Sport and Fitness Center, 4200 S. Four Mile Run Drive and Madison Community Center, 3829 N. Stafford St., will have in-person absentee voting from Oct. 6 - Nov. 3. For hours, visit <http://www.arlingtonva.us/departments/voterregistration/voterregistrationabsenteevoting.aspx>

### WHAT'S ON THE BALLOT?

Every voter in Virginia will vote for U.S. senator and their member in the U.S. House of Representatives, in addition to President of the United States and two constitutional questions.

For Senate, Tim Kaine (D), former governor will face George Allen (R), also former governor and former U.S. senator, to replace U.S. Sen. Jim Webb (D) who is retiring from the Senate after a single term. Webb defeated George Allen six years ago. Connection coverage of the U.S. Senate race is available at <http://www.connectionnewspapers.com/news/Election/National/Senate/>

Two constitutional questions will appear

on all Virginia ballots, one about the use of eminent domain and one about the timing of a particular session of the General Assembly to consider overriding vetoes by the governor of legislation that was passed by the assembly. See <http://www.sbe.virginia.gov/webdocs/201211ConstitutionalAmendmentsPoster.pdf>.

In the races for U.S. House of Representatives, it's worth noting that redistricting resulted in significant changes in Northern Virginia in terms of who your U.S. representative will be. If you live in Reston, for example, while last election you were represented by Jim Moran and the 8th district, now you are in the 11th district where the incumbent is Gerry Connolly. See the map for details. Fairfax County is represented by three Congressional Districts, 8, 10 and 11. Connection coverage of congressional races is available at <http://www.connectionnewspapers.com/news/Election/National/Representatives>.

In the 8th District, incumbent Rep. Jim Moran (D), seeking his 12th term since being elected in 1990, will face Patrick Murray (R), and two independent candidates, Janet Murphy and Jason Howell. The 8th district includes all of Alexandria and Arlington, plus parts of Fairfax County including Mount Vernon, Lorton and parts of McLean, Tysons and Falls Church.

In the 10th District, Frank Wolf (R), elected to office in 1982, will face Democrat Kristin A. Cabral and independent J. Kevin Chisholm. The 10th district sprawls from McLean to Winchester, and includes Great Falls, Chantilly, parts of Fairfax Station, the Town of Clifton, part of Burke and Springfield.

In the 11th District, Gerry Connolly (D), former chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, elected to Congress in 2008, will face Republican Chris Perkins and Independents Joe Galdo and Peter M. Marchetti. The 10th district now includes the City of Fairfax, the Town of Herndon, Reston, central Fairfax County including parts of Burke, Springfield and Lorton.

**IN FAIRFAX COUNTY**, voters will also decide whether to invest in infrastructure based on four bond questions, answering yes or no to supporting \$75 million for parks, \$55 million for public safety facilities, \$25 million for library facilities and \$30 million for stormwater and sewer improvements. [http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/nov\\_2012\\_county\\_bond\\_issues.pdf](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/nov_2012_county_bond_issues.pdf)

**IN THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA**, voters will also choose a mayor, members of the city council and school board.

The Alexandria City Council is composed of a Mayor and six Council members who are elected at-large for three-year terms. Incumbent mayor Bill Euille (D) will face Andrew H. Macdonald (I) in the race for mayor.

Voters will choose six City Council members from the list of 12: Frank H. Fannon IV (R)\*, Alicia R. Hughes (R)\*, John R. "Bob" Wood (R), John Taylor Chapman (D), Timothy Lovain (D), Del Pepper \*(D), Allison Silberberg (D), Paul C. Smedberg❖ (D), Justin M. Wilson (D), Glenda B. Davis (I), Robert Krause (L), Jermaine A. Mincey (I). ❖ means incumbent.

The Alexandria City School Board is a nine-member elected body that adopts policy for the daily operation of schools and sees that school laws are properly explained, enforced, and observed. The city is divided into three voting districts, and three Board members are elected from each district. Each member serves a three-year term. Incumbents marked \*.

School Board District A: Stephanie Amann Kapsis, William E. "Bill" Campbell\*, Karen A. Graf, Helen F. Morris\*, Joyce D. Rawlings, Heath E. Wells

School Board District B: Michael A. Brookbank, Chyrell D. Bucksell, Kelly Carmichael Booz, Justin P. Keating, Marc Williams❖

School Board District C: Ronnie M. Campbell\*, Patricia A. "Pat" Hennig, Christopher J. Lewis, Jeff N. Zack.

**IN ARLINGTON**, voters will choose one member of the County Board and one member of the School Board. Both Arlington boards are made up entirely of at-large members, so both races will appear on all Arlington ballots.

Incumbent Libby Garvey (D) will face Matthew A. Wavro (R) and Audrey R. Clement (I) for the seat on the County Board.

For School Board, incumbent Emma N. Violand-Sanchez will face Noah L. Simon.

Arlington voters will also decide yes or no on four bond questions, whether to authorize raising \$32 million public schools, \$28 million for community infrastructure, \$50 million for local parks and recreation, and \$32 million for Metro and transportation. <http://www.arlingtonva.us/departments/voterregistration/forms/Bonds2012ENG.pdf>

# OPINION

## About the Gazette, a Connection Newspaper

### Newcomers and Community Guide 2012-2013

#### EDITORIALS

The paper you're reading, the Mount Vernon Gazette is one of 15 papers published by the independent, locally owned Local Media Connection LLC, serving the suburbs of Metropolitan Washington in Northern Virginia and Potomac, Md.

Our flagship paper, the Alexandria Gazette Packet, is one of the oldest continuously publishing papers in the country, beginning publication in 1784.

This spring, our papers won some very special awards, including the Virginia Press Association Award for Journalistic Integrity and Community Service, and the Fairfax County Media Partnership Award, along with dozens of others.

We're proud of our commitment to community service, and delighted when it results in awards. We have staff and contributors here at the Connection with remarkable talent and experience, far greater than one might expect. While the last few years have brought many challenges to the newspaper business everywhere, affecting us as well, we continue to publish 15 distinct papers every week that serve their communities in distinct ways.

As local, weekly newspapers, the Connection's mission is to bring the local news you need, to gather information about the best things in and near your community, to advocate for community good, to provide a forum for dialogue on local concerns, and to celebrate and record milestones and events in community and people's lives.

Here in our Newcomers and Community Guide, we've included an insider's look at the parks, plus details of how to vote in the upcoming elections. Many voters will be surprised when they look at the map on our elections page and discover that their Congressional district has changed.

We invite newcomers and long-time residents alike to let us know how we're doing and let us know what is going on in your part of the community. If you have questions or ideas, send us an e-mail, contact us on Facebook or send us a tweet. You can even call.

We invite you to send letters to the editor or to send an e-mail with feedback about our coverage. You can read and comment on our stories online [www.ConnectionNewspapers.com](http://www.ConnectionNewspapers.com)

We want to know if someone in your family or your community published a book, started a business, became an Eagle Scout, raised money for a good cause, accomplished some feat like running a marathon or having art included in an art show. We publish photos and notes of a variety of personal milestones and community events, including births, engagements, weddings, anniversaries, awards and obituaries. We are also interested in events at your church, mosque, synagogue, community center, pool, school, club, etc. Email us a photo and a note about the event. Be sure to include the names of all the people who are in a photo, and say when and where the photo was taken. We also publish notes about news and events from local businesses. Notes about openings, new employees, anniversaries are welcome. It is especially important to us to let people know about events ahead of time in our calendar of events. We appreciate getting notice at least two weeks ahead of the event, and we encourage photos.

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## Feds Approve Voting Law Changes

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#### COMMENTARY

On Monday, the U.S. Department of Justice approved Virginia's voting law changes for use in the Nov. 6 election. Many are questioning why DOJ approved the changes.

Virginia has a long history of voter suppression. When the colonies declared independence from England, only land-owning, male citizens were allowed to vote. In 1851, the Constitution was amended to allow all white men to vote.

During Reconstruction, the people passed a new state constitution called the "Underwood" Constitution which allowed all freedmen to vote. This resulted in large numbers of African American men and low-income whites voting and the number of votes cast in Virginia exploded. The new participants changed the po-

litical landscape which led to a new political party called the "Readjuster" Party. This party focused on "readjusting" Virginia Civil War debts, but also on progressive principles such as creating a public school system and public services.

The idea of altering Virginia's obligations with its creditors shocked Virginia's former ruling establishment. They argued that this undermined Virginia's "honor" and good name and they maintained that the government should not be in the business of educating children, that families could pay for children's education if necessary. They also opposed African Americans participating in government.

In 1902, Virginia adopted a new constitution which was expressly intended to end voting by blacks and limit low-income whites. In order to vote, the constitution required pay-

ment of a poll tax and passing a literacy test. It also prohibited anyone convicted of a felony from voting. Future U.S. Sen. Carter Glass declared the purpose was "to eliminate[e] every negro voter who can be gotten rid of, legally, without materially impairing the numerical strength of the white electorate." The convention even refused to allow ratification by voters (because blacks could vote) and it was simply adopted by the General Assembly.

In 1920, passage of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution and gave women the right to vote. In 1965, President Lyndon Johnson signed the Voting Rights Act into law which abolished poll taxes and literacy tests. States with a history of voting discrimination were put under the control of federal courts. Virginia and Fairfax County are still under a judicial decree which requires federal approval for all changes involving voting, including district

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# LETTERS

## Supports Natural Resource Parks

To the Editor:

I write to clarify the position of the Audubon Society of Northern Virginia on the development of Westgrove Park, in response to Jay Spiegel's Aug. 15 letter to the Mount Vernon Gazette.

The Audubon Society of Northern Virginia has gone on record several times in support of enhancing what is left of a largely natural area extending from Mount Vernon District Park to the Potomac River. One of those times was the July 30 hearing at which Glenda Booth spoke for ASNV in support of restoring the grassy

area, now largely an ecological "dead" zone, to a more natural state, thus creating more natural connectivity in that corridor. ASNV was also part of the coalition of over 20 organizations that recommended this approach for Westgrove in 2005. Westgrove

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## Department of Justice Approves Changes

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lines, polling places, polling hours and times to vote.

In 2008, the U.S. Supreme Court decided *Crawford v. Marion County Electoral Board*, a case that involved several Indiana nuns who were not allowed to vote because they did not have identification. Since then, many legislatures have passed laws restricting people's right to vote unless they have identification.

Under the previous Virginia law, voting officials could require identification at the polls, but it was not required. If you did not have ID, you could sign an affidavit affirming your identity. It was a felony to lie. This year, the General Assembly passed legislation that requires all voters to present one of the following to vote: a voter registration card, social security card, a valid Virginia driver's license or government ID, valid Virginia student ID, employer photo ID, utility bill, bank statement, government check or paycheck that shows the voters name and

address. DOJ has blocked voter identification changes in several southern states, but cleared Virginia's voting law changes this week, probably because our law allowed a broader number of documents to establish identity.

While I do not agree with these restrictions, they are now law. Please make sure everyone in your household knows the requirements.

Also, all please consider absentee voting to make sure your vote is counted. If you work outside Fairfax County (e.g., in Alexandria, the District of Columbia or Maryland), plan on going outside Fairfax County on Election Day or have problems standing in line, you can vote early by mail or in-person at the Mount Vernon Government Center starting on Oct. 17. Voting early avoids long Election Day lines and also ensures that if there are problems with your registration or paperwork, you can catch and clear them up early.

If you have any questions or want to discuss getting your right to vote restored, please call my office. It is an honor to serve as your delegate.

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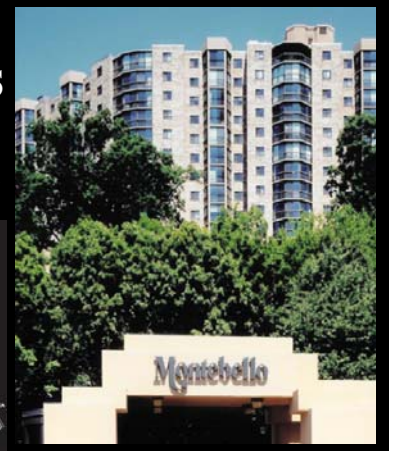
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## OPINION



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**A Day on the Water** Area residents enjoy a day on the water Saturday morning, Aug. 18, at the Belle Haven Park and Marina.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

FROM PAGE 13

Park, near the middle of this corridor, will apparently become a temporary off-leash dog area, quadruple the size recommended by Fairfax County Park Authority (FCPA) guidelines.

In addition, ASNV has on many occasions urged FCPA to create more natural resource parks in a county that has little undeveloped land left. We have also urged elected and park officials to correct the long-standing imbalance in the parks budget, to devote more funding and personnel to natural resource park creation, restoration, acquisition and management.

ASNV joined others in asking FCPA to develop a master plan for Westgrove, a process now underway. With others, we argued that agreeing to an interim dog park effectively excluded most of the public, circumvented a comprehensive review and gave unfair preference to one group and one use. We hope that our recommendations will result in a natural resources park in the master plan for Westgrove.

Restoring four acres of turf in Westgrove Park is a rare opportunity to enhance natural connectivity and help restore healthy ecosystems in this densely-developed community. Doing so is consistent with one of FCPA's goals. We hope decision-makers will agree.

**Terrence Liercke**

President

Audubon Society of Northern Virginia

### Expand Use of Sworn Testimony

To the Editor:

August is a good month to take a step back and think about what improvements can be made in the discourse occurring in the civic arena. In August, the Board of Supervisors (BOS), Planning Commission (PC), Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA), and Park Authority (FCPA) are all in recess along with the MVCCA.

Last week, my letter mentioned that community activist Glenda Booth had stood up before more than 100 attendees at the Master Planning Meeting for Westgrove Park and represented that she was there on behalf of the Friends of Dyke Marsh (FODM) and "the 5,000 members of the Audubon Society of Northern Virginia" (ASNV) to oppose the proposed off-leash dog area (OLDA) at Westgrove Park. I explained that I subsequently contacted the president of ASNV (whose name is Terrence Liercke) who in-

formed me that "ASNV has taken no official written position on the issue."

This is not the first time Glenda Booth has misrepresented who she speaks for in an effort to leverage her personal views to make it look like they are shared by a significant constituency. On April 11, 2011, Ms. Booth corresponded with the FCPA to state opposition for the proposed OLDA. In so doing, she claimed her comments were made in representation of fully 15 organizations and additional individuals. Among the claimed organizations was "River Towers Condominium."

Several months later, I contacted the president of the Board of Directors of River Towers Condominium Association and he informed me that they had never taken up the OLDA issue as an agenda item at any of their meetings. Thus, Ms. Booth's representation in April 2011 that she was taking a position on behalf of "River Towers Condominium" was false. They hadn't taken a position.

These examples point out a significant problem in the civic arena, that of activists who take extreme positions on issues, way out of the mainstream of community thought, and seek to make it appear that those views are in the mainstream by falsely claiming that their views are shared by numerous organizations and people. This practice must be stopped.

People appearing before the BZA are required to swear that their testimony will be true under penalty of perjury. This procedure is not followed by the BOS, PC or FCPA. Perhaps, to make sure representations made by witnesses are true, the process employed by the BZA should be employed by other boards, authorities and commissions. Additionally, people who provide written statements should be required to attest to the truthfulness of their statements under penalty of perjury. These small steps would go a long way toward ensuring that civic discourse is honest and ethical. The MVCCA is to be commended for only taking public positions based upon enacted resolutions. They could enhance their credibility by taking steps to ensure that community representatives take positions in concert with the views of their respective communities rather than asserting their personal views.

It is unfortunate that the vast majority of citizens might have to be inconvenienced by a new procedure to prevent a small minority of activists from obtaining undue influence in the civic arena. However, the minor inconvenience is surely better than permitting community decisions to be improperly influenced by inappropriate behavior.

**H. Jay Spiegel**

Mount Vernon



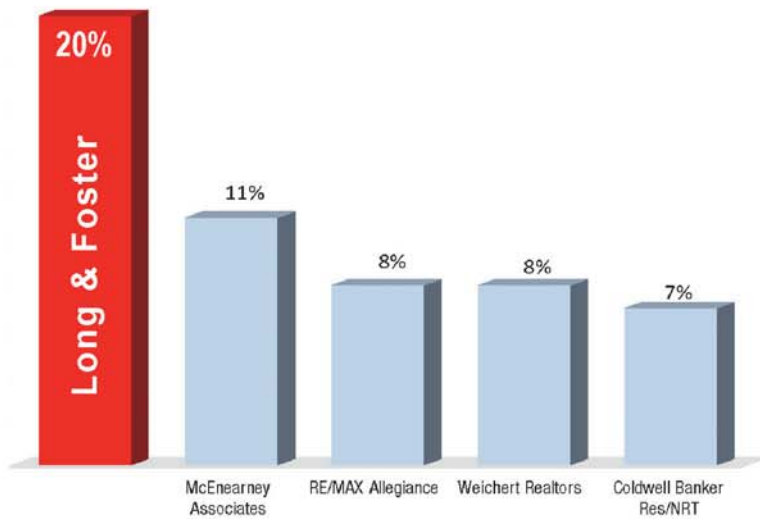


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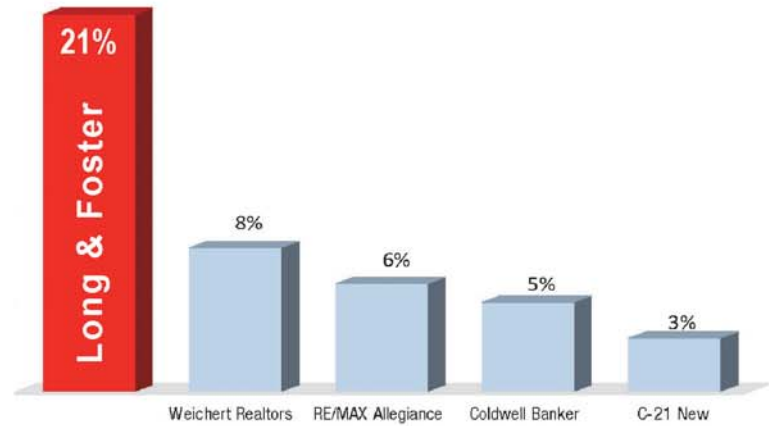
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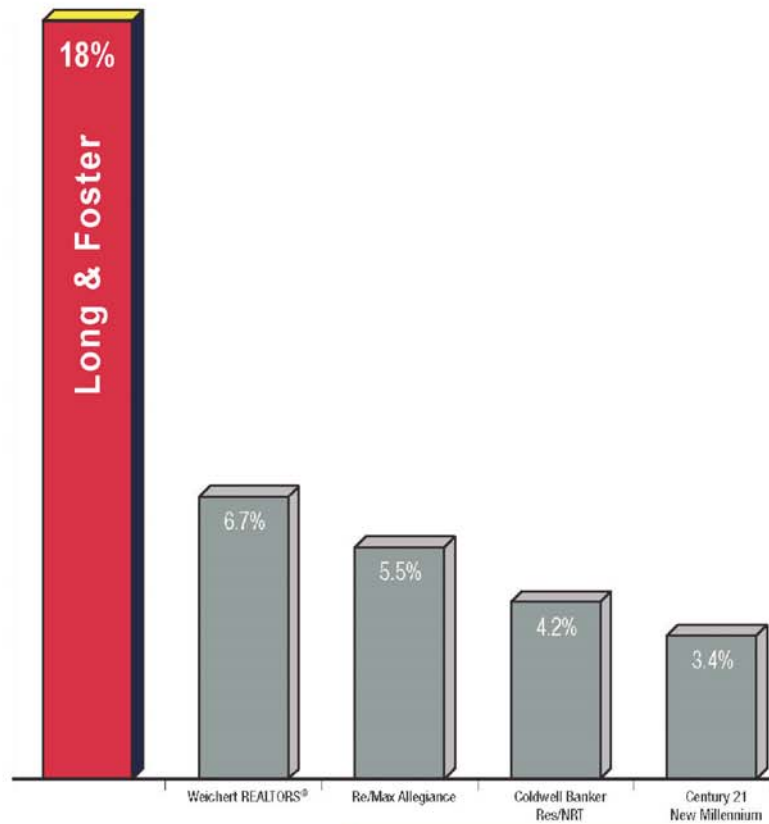


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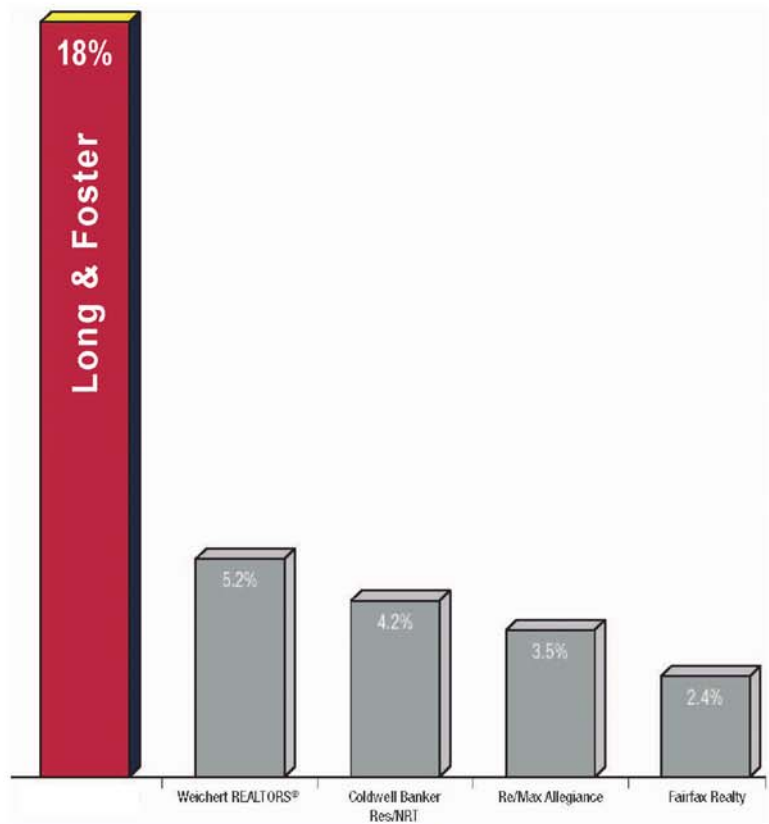


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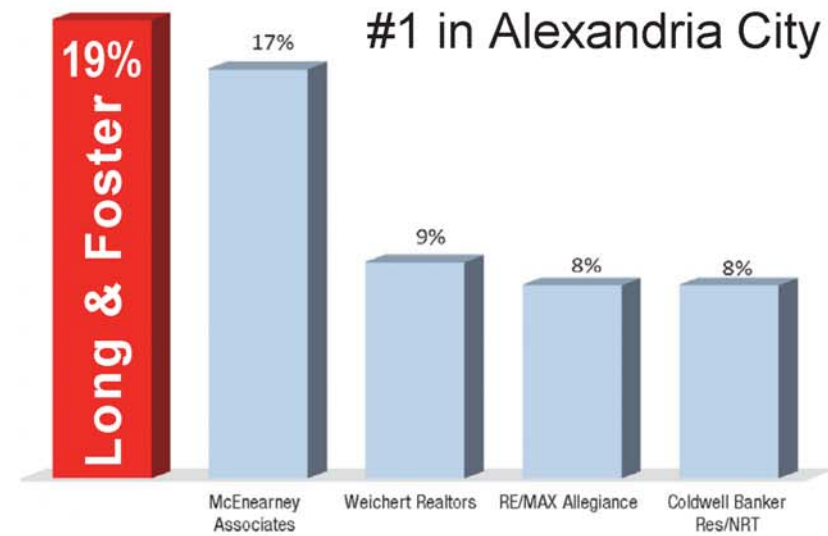
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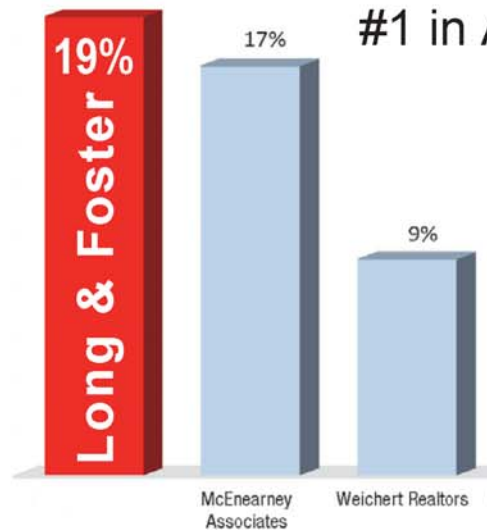


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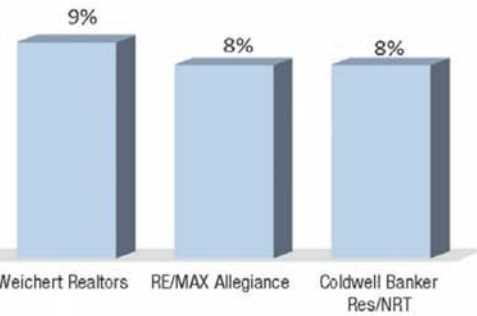
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# PARKS AN INSIDER'S GUIDE TO PARKS IN FAIRFAX COUNTY

## National Parks

**GF Great Falls National Park**  
9200 Old Dominion Drive, McLean  
www.nps.gov/grfa  
Great Falls Park is open daily from 7 a.m. until dark. The Visitor Center and bookstore are open from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. daily, spring through fall seasons. Picnic, hike along the Potomac River. Swimming and wading in the Potomac are prohibited.

**GW The George Washington Memorial Parkway**  
www.nps.gov/gwmp  
703-289-2500  
The GW Parkway includes more than 25 sites, ranging from historic homes to wildlife preserves. Join a ranger for a free program or explore sites independently. Some park sites, including Turkey Run Park, Theodore Roosevelt Island, Great Falls Park, etc., close at dark. The Parkway itself remains open 24 hours a day to vehicle traffic.

**WT Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts**  
1551 Trap Road, Vienna  
www.nps.gov/wotr/  
The only national park dedicated to presenting the performing arts. From May through September, multiple amphitheaters in the park present musicals, dance, opera, jazz, and popular and country music. Explore the park without the crowds from October - April. The Barns at Wolf Trap offer indoor entertainment through the winter months.

## State Park

**MN Mason Neck State Park**  
7301 High Point Rd. Lorton  
www.dcr.virginia.gov/state\_parks/mas.shtml#703-339-2385 or 703-339-2380 (visitor center)  
masonneck@dcr.virginia.gov  
The park's visitor center was expanded in 2010 to include a new exhibit room, gift shop and meeting room. There are several exhibits in the center, and with a view of Belmont Bay. Visitor center staff can answer questions and provide information on park trails, facilities and local points of interest. Pond study, bird watching, canoe trips, nature walks and talks, and GPS adventures are just a few of the exciting programs offered by park rangers.

## Regional Parks

**BR Bull Run Marina Regional Park**  
7700 Bull Run Drive, Centreville  
www.nvrpa.org/park/bull\_run/  
Main park open all year for picnicking, hiking and family camping. Bull Run Public Shooting Center open all year. Group Camping open daily Jan. 7 through Nov. 11. Mini and disc golf open April through October. Hours vary.

**Atlantis Waterpark** (at Bull Run Marina Regional Park)  
7700 Bull Run Drive, Centreville  
www.atlantisbullrun.com/  
703-631-0552  
Atlantis Waterpark features pools, a giant dumping bucket, waterslides, and fun-filled activities for all ages. Atlantis is open from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day, and is a member of the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority Family of Waterparks. Atlantis also features picnic pavilions, a deck great for sunning and playing, as well as plenty of shade. Neptune Reef snack bar sells food, beverages and sweets.

**FH Fountainhead Regional Park**  
7315 Ox Road, Fairfax Station  
www.nvrpa.org/park/fountainhead/  
703-250-9124  
The observation deck of the Marina Building at Fountainhead



**FH Fountainhead Regional Park**

commands a spectacular view of the widest point of the Occoquan Reservoir. Summer activities include catfish tournaments, children's fishing tournament, paddleboat tours and more.

**HO Hemlock Overlook Regional Park**  
13220 Yates Ford Road, Clifton  
www.nvrpa.org/park/hemlock\_overlook/  
800-877-0954; 571-281-3556;  
Hemlock Overlook Regional Park offers a variety of outdoor and environmental education. Programs at Hemlock Overlook are open to the public and groups by reservation. Only the hiking and horse trails may be used without prior arrangement.

**MBG Meadowlark Botanical Gardens**  
9750 Meadowlark Gardens Court, Vienna  
www.nvrpa.org/park/meadowlark\_botanical\_gardens/  
703-255-3631  
This 95-acre complex of large ornamental display gardens and unique native plant collections round and include walking trails, lakes, more than 20 varieties of cherry trees, irises, peonies, an extensive shade garden, native wildflowers, gazebos, birds, butterflies, seasonal blooms and foliage. The Atrium's indoor tropical garden setting is a popular meeting, reception, wedding and workshop location. Interpretive displays accompany a restored 18th-century cabin. A picnic area beside the Gardens is available to visitors. Meadowlark

presents gardening and horticulture workshops, tours, field trips, concerts and volunteer programs.

**OB Occoquan Regional Park**  
9751 Ox Road, Lorton  
www.nvrpa.org/park/occoquan/  
703-690-2121  
This park offers 400 acres of recreational space and a touch of the past with its historic brick kilns and the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial. Park lands, trails and associated waters are part of the Fairfax Cross-County Trail. Kayak rentals. One hour Tour Boat Rides on the Occoquan River to Belmont Bay and back. Offered Saturdays noon-5 p.m., Sunday 1-8 p.m., April 2 through Nov. 27. \$10 adults, \$5 children 12 and under, under age 4 are free.

**PB Pohick Bay Regional Park**  
6501 Pohick Bay Drive, Lorton  
www.nvrpa.org/park/pohick\_bay/  
Pohick Bay is located on the Potomac River 25 miles south of the nation's capital. The boat launch facility is one of only three public access points to the Potomac River in northern Virginia. Pohick Bay offers canoes, kayaks, paddle boats and jon boats for rent on the weekends, as well as family and group camping, hiking, picnic areas and a large play area for children. For those interested in swimming, the park offers one of the largest, outdoor freeform pools on the east coast. Pohick Bay Regional Park, located on Mason Neck Peninsula is an ecologically fragile

land that shelters an abundance of wildlife, including the bald eagle. Nature lovers can expect to see blue birds, osprey, heron, deer, beavers and rare sightings of river otters.

**Pirates Cove Waterpark** (at Pohick Bay Regional Park)  
6501 Pohick Bay Drive, Lorton  
www.piratescovepohick.com  
703-339-6102  
Pirates Cove Waterpark is located at Pohick Bay Regional Park. Visitors can cool off under the 300-gallon dumping bucket, fire the water cannons and splash down the waterslide or search for buried treasure at Buccaneer Beach sand play area. Pirates Cove also features picnic pavilions, a deck for sunning and playing, as well as plenty of shade. Captain's Galley snack bar features food, beverages and sweets. Pirates Cove is open from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day.

**PB Pohick Bay Golf Course**  
10301 Gunston Road, Lorton  
www.nvrpa.org/park/pohick\_bay\_golf\_course  
703-339-8585  
This scenic golf course is located on the Mason Neck Peninsula in Lorton. Pohick Bay's practice facility features a driving range with practice putting and chipping greens, and lessons from PGA pros. A full-service pro shop features an array of name-brand golf clubs, equipment and





**12** **Frying Pan Farm Park, Herndon**

apparel. Other services include club making, custom club fitting, regripping, reshafting and tournament coordinating.

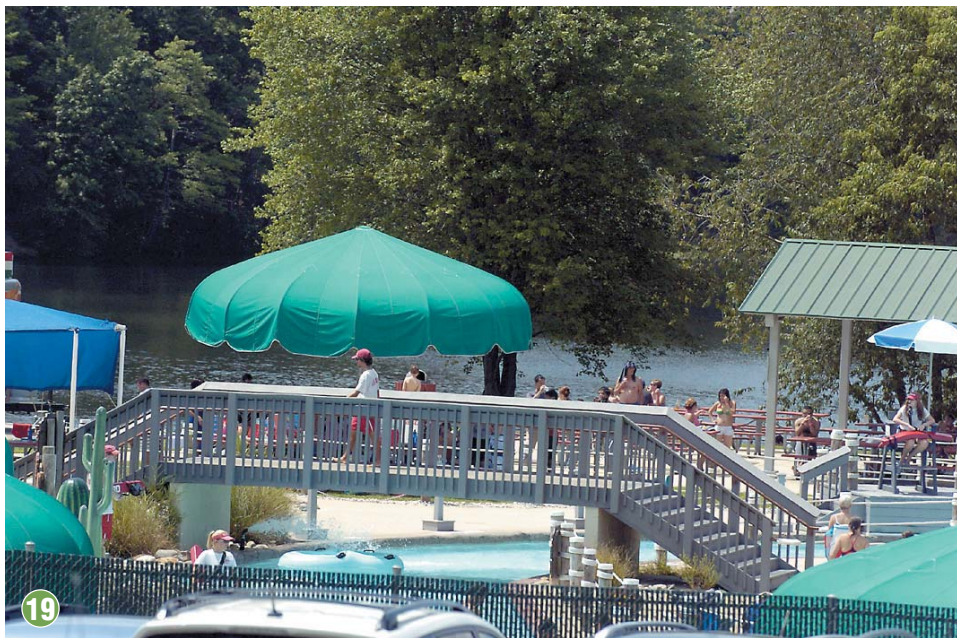
**SR** **Sandy Run Regional Park**  
10450 Van Thompson Road, Fairfax Station  
www.nvrpa.org/park/sandy\_run/  
703-690-4392

The park is open to the public for the purpose of education, training, practice, and racing for competitive and recreational sculling and rowing. Only shells and other boats authorized by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority may be launched from the docks or shoreline of Sandy Run. Sandy Run offers a facility for team training and competition for Olympic, college, high school and club canoe, kayak and crew athletes.

## Arts Center

**WAC** **Workhouse Arts Center**  
9601 Ox Road, Lorton  
www.lortonarts.org  
703-584-2900

The Workhouse Arts Center consists of seven studio buildings, the main galleries and the recently opened Youth Arts Center. Visitors are encouraged to interact with artists. In addition to visual arts, the Workhouse Arts Center is home to performing arts, including theater, film institute, musical and dance performances. The education department supports both the visual and performing arts, offering classes and workshops in a variety of disciplines. Future plans for the Workhouse include an event center, amphitheater, Workhouse Theatre, restaurants, apartments, music barn and garden/horticultural area. Other buildings on site, yet to be renovated, may provide for other activities such as a visitors center, a blacksmith shop, theatre scene shops and rehearsal space.



**19** **Lake Fairfax Park**

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## Fairfax County Parks

- 1 Annandale Park**  
7701 Royce Street, Annandale  
nature center  
50.7 acres, district park
- 2 Baron Cameron School Site**  
11300 Baron Cameron Avenue, Reston  
softball (unlit), soccer/football (unlit), biking/  
hiking trails, picnic area, playground  
60 acres, district park
- 3 Braddock Park**  
13451 Braddock Road, Clifton  
Softball field (lit), soccer/football (unlit and lit),  
minigolf, biking trail, equestrian trail, hiking  
trail, open picnic areas  
227.1 acres, special purpose park
- 4 Burke Station Park**  
6031 Kerrwood Street, Burke  
basketball, tennis (lit), hiking trail, playground, tot  
lot  
18.1 acres, community park
- 5 Centre Ridge North**  
Field Encampment Road And St. Germain Drive,  
Centreville  
basketball (lit), tennis (lit), biking/hiking/nature  
trails, playground  
8.9 acres, community park
- 6 Clarks Crossing**  
9850 Clarks Crossing Road, Vienna  
soccer/football (unlit), biking/equestrian/hiking  
trails, open areas  
143.8 acres, district park
- 7 Collingwood Park**  
8200 West Boulevard Drive, Alexandria  
soccer/football, basketball, tennis, playground  
12 acres, community park
- 8 Cub Run RECenter**  
4630 Stonecroft Blvd, Chantilly  
pool, water playground, fitness center, trails,  
playground  
9.3 acres, special purpose park
- 9 Dranesville Tavern**  
11919 Leesburg Pike, Herndon  
historic structure, natural/picnic areas, meeting  
room  
14.6 acres, cultural resource park

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**Sharon Bulova in Fairfax Villa Park.**

## 'My Favorite Parks'

BY SHARON BULOVA  
CHAIRMAN, FAIRFAX COUNTY BOARD OF  
SUPERVISORS

The tree I am standing next to in this photo is one of a number of large American Beech trees that populate the forests in Villa Park where I like to hike and jog. Villa Park is located in the central Fairfax area, with an entrance into the park off of Park Drive near Shirley Gate Road.

This park is unique. It has been left in its natural wooded condition and designated a Heritage Resource park to preserve features such as Native American quarries and work/chipping areas. It also contains remnants of the never-completed Independent line of the Manassas Gap Railroad. While no track was ever laid along this rail line, it played a significant role in the Civil War, serving as a little-known transportation route for both Confederate and Union soldiers. The earthworks served as protection during skirmishes.

A number of years ago a Civil War historian told me that he believed soldiers had carved their initials into trees located in Villa Park. The trees near my running path are covered with initials and symbols carved into the smooth grey bark. On the larger trees, the markings have become pretty much unreadable. I don't know if it's true or not, but I like to think these may be the trees my history buff friend was referring to.

When running along this trail, I imagine passing Native American Indians chipping arrow heads out of hunks of quartz and Civil War camp sites with soldiers drawing water from the Popes Head Creek and passing time by carving their initials or troop insignia in the smooth-barked Beech trees growing nearby. The experience is a perfect marriage of my love for history and nature.

Some other favorite Fairfax parks that

interpret our county's fascinating history and showcase its environmental beauty:

❖ Riverbend Park in Great Falls, includes more than 400 acres of forest, meadow and ponds. Trails include a 2.5-mile portion of the Potomac Heritage Trail linking national and regional parkland. Kayakers and canoeists can enjoy exploring many islands in the Potomac River.

Riverbend's visitor center overlooks the Potomac River and has an outdoor deck that is an ideal place to relax or have a snack after a hike. It has a wonderful interpretative display about the historic Native American presence in the area.

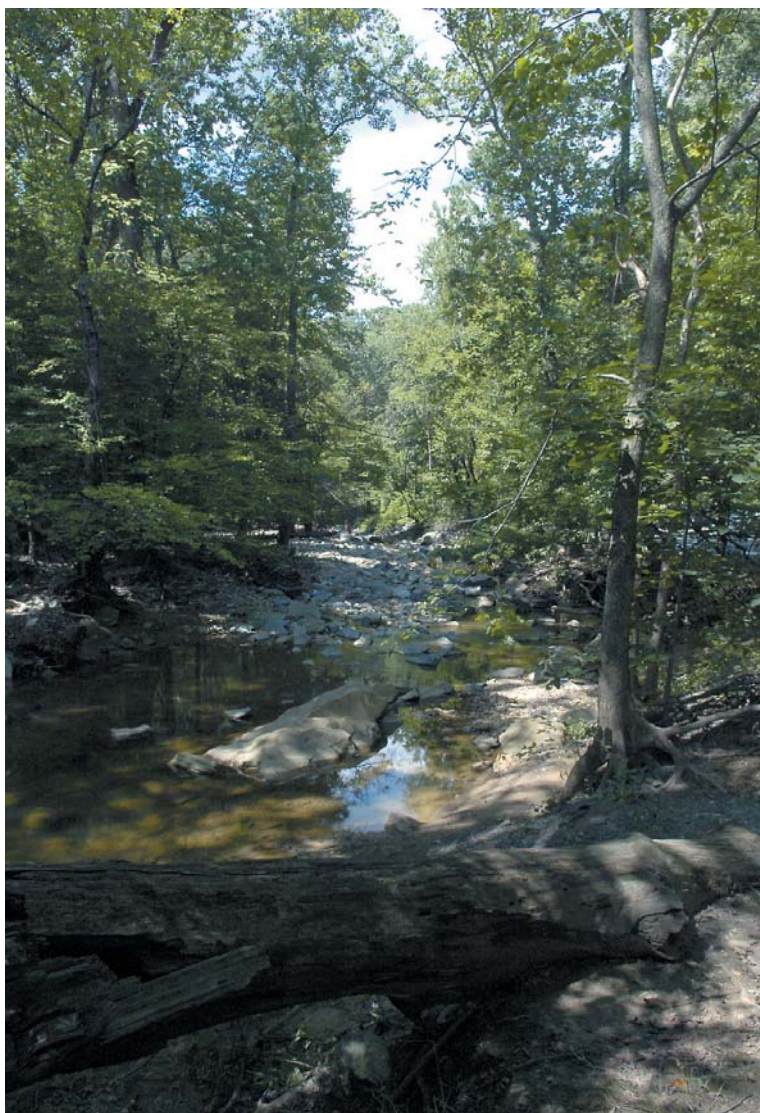
❖ In the South County Hybla Valley area, Huntley Meadows Park contains 1,425 acres of majestic forests, wildflower-speckled meadows and vast wetlands bursting with life. Some of the best wildlife watching in the Washington metropolitan area is enjoyed here. From the wetland boardwalk trail and observation tower, people have excellent views of beavers, frogs, dragonflies and herons. Huntley Meadows is well known as a prime birding spot, with more than 200 species identified in the park.

❖ Lake Accotink Park, located on 7500 Accotink Park Road in Springfield, is one of my favorite parks. Not only is this 493-acre park one of the most scenic in the county, it is also one of the most fun. In addition to boating, hiking, canoeing, and mini-golfing, you can always find a nice quiet spot to enjoy a picnic on the lake. Children love the beautiful antique carousel.

Lake Accotink was originally created to provide drinking water for troops stationed at Camp Humphries (which is now Fort Belvoir) during the early 1900s. The Norfolk Southern Railroad tracks carry D.C.-bound VRE commuter rail passengers over the Lake Accotink Dam. Remains of an older former railroad trestle make up part of the four-mile trail that winds around the lake and park.

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**Scotts Run, McLean**

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**10 Fairfax Villa Park**

4420 Belden Street, Fairfax  
historic structure, biking/historic/hiking trails, natural areas  
59.7 acres, community park

**11 Fred Crabtree Park**

2801 Fox Mill Road, Herndon  
Little league (lit), soccer/football field (unlit), historical structure, biking/equestrian/hiking/nature trails  
208.5 acres, district park

**12 Frying Pan Farm Park**

2717 West Ox Road, Herndon  
historic structure, biking/equestrian/hiking trails, open areas, playground  
135.3 acres, multiple resource park

**13 Great Falls Nike Park**

1089 Utterback Store Road, Great Falls  
baseball field (lit), soccer/football field (unlit), basketball (unlit), tennis (unlit), playground, biking/hiking trails  
45.5 acres, district park

**14 Grist Mill Park**

4710 Mount Vernon Memorial Hwy, Alexandria  
baseball, soccer/football, basketball, biking/hiking trails, playground  
75.5 acres, district park

**15 Huntley Meadows Park**

3701 Lockheed Boulevard, Alexandria  
nature center, historic structure, biking/hiking/nature trails, observation tower, boardwalk  
1444.8 acres, natural resource park

**16 Hybla Valley Park**

3431 Lockheed Boulevard, Alexandria  
tennis, hiking trails, open areas  
1.2 acres, neighborhood park

**17 Lake Accotink Park**

7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield  
basketball, volleyball, minigolf, trails, picnic  
448.1 acres, multiple resource park

**18 Lake Braddock School Site**

9200 Burke Lake Road, Burke  
soccer/football (unlit), fitness trails, open areas  
13.1 acres, community park

**19 Lake Fairfax Park**

1400 Lake Fairfax Drive, Reston  
softball (lit), soccer/football (unlit), amphitheater, carousel, campground, tour boat, picnic shelters  
479 acres, multiple resource park

**20 Lake Mercer Park**

9500 Silverbrook Road, Fairfax Station  
historic structure, biking/hiking/historic trails, fishing  
196.5 acres, multiple resource park

**21 Langley Fork Park**

6250 Georgetown Pike, McLean  
baseball (lit), soccer/football (unlit), basketball (unlit), biking/fitness trails  
54 acres, district park

**22 Laurel Hill Park**

8515 Silverbrook Rd., Lorton  
baseball (unlit), softball (unlit), clubhouse, driving range, 18 hole, disc golf, picnic areas, hiking/biking  
1197.5 acres, countywide park

**23 Lee District Park**

6601 Telegraph Road, Franconia  
softball, soccer/football, tennis, basketball, volleyball, trails, treehouse  
138 acres, district park

**24 Lewinsville Park**

1659 Chain Bridge Road, McLean  
baseball, soccer/football (lit), basketball, tennis, biking/fitness trails, picnic, playground, tot lot  
37.7 acres, district park

**25 Mason District Park**

6621 Columbia Pike, Annandale  
softball (lit), soccer/football (unlit/lit), basketball (lit), tennis (lit), shuffleboard, dog park, amphitheater, biking/hiking/fitness  
121.2 acres, district park

**26 Muddy Hole Farm Park**

7941 Kidd Street, Alexandria  
soccer/football, basketball, tennis, hiking trails, picnic areas, playground  
13.6 acres, community park

**27 Newington Heights Park**

8590 Heller Road, Lorton  
soccer/football, basketball, tennis, biking/hiking trail, playground  
69.3 acres, district park

**28 Nottoway Park**

9537 Courthouse Road, Vienna  
baseball (lit), soccer/football (lit), basketball (lit), tennis (lit), trails, picnic  
90.9 acres, district park

**29 Patriot Park**

12111 Braddock Road, Fairfax  
little league (lit), soccer/football (lit)  
130.5 acres, district park

**30 Pope Head Park**

5635 Rivercomb Court, Clifton  
soccer/football, basketball, tennis, biking/fitness/hiking trails, picnic, playground  
75.6 acres, district park

**31 Poplar Tree Park**

4718 Stringfellow Road, Chantilly  
baseball (lit), soccer/football (lit), biking, hiking, picnic, playground  
48.3 acres, district park

**32 Riverbend Park**

8700 Potomac Hill Street, Great Falls  
nature center, historic structure, biking/equestrian/hiking trails, picnic areas, craft room  
411.2 acres, multiple resource park

**33 Rolling Valley West Park**

6512 Sydenstricker Road, Burke  
softball, soccer/football (lit), basketball, tennis, biking, hiking, playground  
20.7 acres, community park

**34 South Run District**

7550 Reservation Drive, Springfield  
baseball, soccer/football, basketball, tennis, rec center, equestrian, playground, swimming  
196 acres, district park

**35 Spring Hill Park**

1239 Spring Hill Road, McLean  
swimming, fitness rooms, racquetball, picnic, playground, soccer/football  
46.1 acres, district park

**36 Wakefield Park & RECenter**

8100 Braddock Road, Annandale  
softball, soccer/football, basketball, tennis, rec center, biking, fitness trail, skate park  
292.6 acres, multiple resource park



**Ellanor C. Lawrence Park, Chantilly**



**Frying Pan Farm Park, Herndon**



**Burke Lake Park, Fairfax Station**

# NEWCOMERS GUIDE



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**Gilly gets a blessing from Rector Ruth Walsh as Peg Iber watches at the celebration of the feast of St. Francis of Assisi at St. James Episcopal Church.**

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**St. James' Episcopal Church**



8 AM – Holy Eucharist – no music  
 9:15 AM – Adult Forum  
 10:00 AM – Children's Sunday School  
 10:15 AM – Holy Eucharist – music

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# SPORTS

## Getting To Know Mount Vernon Sports

Girls' basketball team finished 25-2 during 2011-12 season, fell one win shy of reaching state tournament.

**School:** Mount Vernon High School.

**Mascot:** Majors.

**School Colors:** Maroon, gray and white.

**Athletic Director:** Bob Maxey, 703-619-3141.

**Football Coach:** Barry Wells (third year).

The Majors finished with a 5-5 record in 2011, including 4-3 in the National District, and missed the playoffs. It was the program's second consecutive 5-5 regular season after going 0-10 in 2009. Wells led Mount Vernon to the playoffs in 2010, his first as head coach.

**Field Hockey Coach:** Jessica Edwards.

**Boys' Basketball Coach:** John Wiley.

**Girls' Basketball Coach:** Courtney Coffey.

**Rival School:** West Potomac

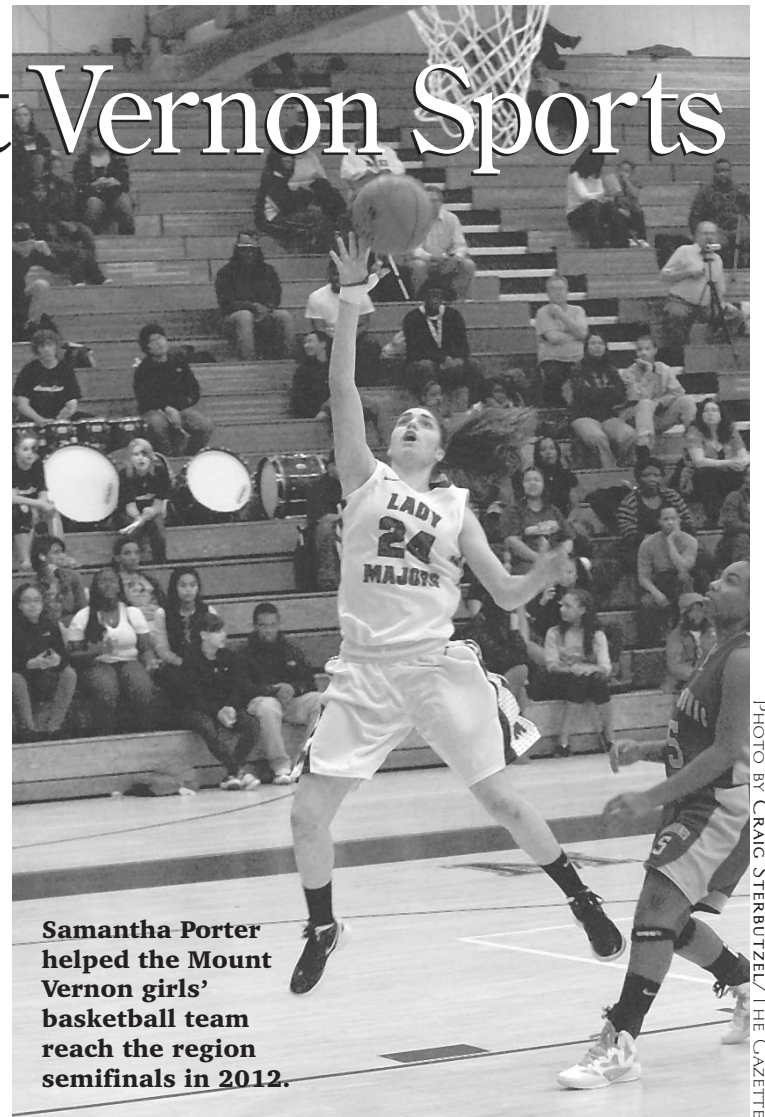
The boys' and girls' basketball teams opened their 2011-12 seasons with wins against West Potomac. The boys' soccer team beat West Potomac as part of a 14-2-2 season.

**What happened last year:** The girls' basketball team won its second consecutive National District championship, reached the Northern Region semifinals and finished with a 25-2 record. The wrestling

team won a district title and finished fourth at regionals. The boys' soccer team won a district title, reached the region quarterfinals, finished 14-2-2 and at one point was ranked in the nation's spring soccer top 20 by ESPN.com. The boys' lacrosse team finished district runner-up.

**Famous Graduates:** Atlee Hammacker (1976 graduate) pitched in the Major Leagues from 1981-1995. He was an all-star in 1983 as a San Francisco Giant, when he led the National League with a 2.25 ERA. He also played for the Kansas City Royals, San Diego Padres and Chicago White Sox. Ed Cunningham (1987) played center for the University of Washington's 1991 national champion football team. He went on to play in the NFL for the Phoenix Cardinals and the Seattle Seahawks. Swimmer Markus Rogan (2000) won silver medals in the 100M and 200M backstroke at the 2004 Summer Olympics.

**Quotable:** "Only thing I can say is, with only having two seniors, we'll be back next year, and hopefully we won't be going through this again." — Mount Vernon girls' basketball coach Courtney Coffey after the Majors lost to Oakton in the 2011-12 region semifinals.



**Samantha Porter helped the Mount Vernon girls' basketball team reach the region semifinals in 2012.**

PHOTO BY CRAIG STERBUTZEL/THE GAZETTE

## Getting To Know West Potomac Sports

Girls' cross country team finished third at states.

**School:** West Potomac High School.

**Mascot:** Wolverines.

**School Colors:** Royal blue and silver.

**Athletic Director:** Aaron Helmick, 703-718-2561.

**Football Coach:** Jeremiah Davis (first year).

The Wolverines finished the 2011 regular season with a 7-3 record and qualified for the playoffs. West Potomac beat Chantilly, 35-7, in the opening round before falling to top seed Westfield, 42-34, in the regional semifinals. Head coach Eric Henderson's contract was not renewed at the end of the season.

**Cross Country Coach:** Jenn Dietz.

**Boys' Basketball Coach:** David Houston III.

**Baseball Coach:** Jim Sullivan.

**Softball Coach:** Craig Maniglia.

**Rival Schools:** Mount Vernon, T.C. Williams.

The football team extended its winning streak against Mount Vernon to five with a 51-7 victory in the 2011 season opener. The Wolverines secured a share of the Patriot District title with a 41-27 win against T.C. Williams in the regular season finale.

**What happened last year:** The girls' cross country team won Patriot District and Northern Region championships, and finished third in the state. The field hockey team defeated Woodson in the opening round of the district tournament, earning a regional berth for the first time in more than a decade. The softball team reached the regional semifinals. The girls' lacrosse team reached the regional

quarterfinals. The baseball team earned a regional berth.

**Historic Achievements:** In 2010, the boys' basketball team won its first district championship since 1996. The football program won back-to-back state championships in 1989 and 1990. The girls cross country team also won state championships in 1989 and 1990.

**Famous Alumni:** Tiombe Hurd (1991 graduate) set the American record in the outdoor triple jump at 14.45 meters in 2004. She won the Olympic Trials in 2004 and competed in the Olympic Games. Willie Pile (1998) was a standout quarterback who led the Wolverines to a 1997 Division 5 region championship and earned region Offensive Player of the Year honors. He was also first-team all-region as a defensive back after snagging a school-record eight interceptions. He played defensive back at Virginia Tech and was a seventh-round draft pick of the Kansas City Chiefs in 2004. He also played for the Dallas Cowboys. His football career continued in the Canadian Football League for the Toronto Argonauts. Figure skater Ashley Wagner, who attended West Potomac through the 2007-08 school year, finished third at the U.S. Championships and the World Junior Championships.

**Quotable:** "Throughout the season, we always set the goal to get on the podium for states (top three) and we finally did it this year. It's our senior year, so it was quite an accomplishment, especially for our coach (Jenn Dietz), who has been coaching us since our freshman year." — West Potomac cross country runner Sarah Jane Underwood after the Wolverines finished third in the state in 2011.



**Dale Lescher helped the West Potomac girls' cross country team finish third in the state in 2011.**

PHOTO BY CRAIG STERBUTZEL/THE GAZETTE

# Rev. Charles Brock Named as St. James' Rector

The Rev. Charles F. Brock, most recently associate rector at St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church in Annandale, has accepted a call to be rector of St. James' Episcopal Church, Mount Vernon, beginning Sept. 2.



The Rev. Charles F. Brock

"Charles Brock earned a M. Divinity from Virginia Theological Seminary, a BA at Haverford College and has studied at M.I.T. He complemented this education with cross cultural studies at Maryknoll Institute in Nairobi and with several years of additional study in ministry and prayer," said Robert (Bob) Fitz, St. James' senior warden. Brock's seminarian assignments included ministry at St. John's Church in Beltsville, St. Patrick's in Falls Church and Washington Hospital Center where he served as chaplain. He is a member of the executive board of the Diocese of Virginia.

Prior to entering the ministry, Brock was

an independent consultant, developing educational computer software for K-12 education. He assisted educators to develop creative programs, and led technical teams to implement their visions, managing all aspects of bringing projects from ideas to fruition.

"Concurrent with our enthusiasm about receiving Rev. Brock to be our rector, we are pleased that St. James' Sunday

School will resume fall activities in September," Fitz added.

Registration for classes will be Sunday, Sept. 9, beginning at 10 a.m. Children may also be registered for Sunday School by calling St. James' office during the week at 703-780-3081. Classes will begin on Sunday, Sept. 16.

The church Nursery will be open and

staffed every Sunday from 9 a.m. to noon. Children four years old and younger are invited to use the Nursery, where they can enjoy Bible stories and related activities.

Sunday services and programs include:

- ❖ 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I
- ❖ 9 a.m. Nursery is staffed until noon (for 4-year-olds and younger)
- ❖ 9:15 a.m. Adult Forum
- ❖ 10 a.m. Sunday School (for children five and older)
- ❖ 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Music, Rite II.

The Fall Picnic will be on Sunday, Sept. 9

in the church gardens, following the 10:15 am service.

St. James' Annual Art and Craft Fair will be held on Saturday, Sept. 15 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., rain or shine.

"St. James' is pleased to welcome Charles, his wife Heidi and their young son to our parish and the Mt. Vernon community," said Fitz. "We invite our Mount Vernon friends and neighbors, as well as those from surrounding areas, to our services and activities and also to join us in carrying out our mission of being the face of Christ to others."

## Firefighters Sponsor Children's Haircuts

Fairfax County firefighters will be sponsoring children's haircuts from 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Monday, Aug. 27, at Gum Springs Recreation Center.

Off-duty firefighters/barbers, the Progressive Firefighters of Fairfax County, Inc., WKYS 93.9 FM, and local barbers throughout the community will provide free haircuts for local children on free or reduced lunch plans in anticipation of the new school year. Through everyone's donation of time and barbering skills, these children will receive needed haircuts.

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# Shaping Bypass Proposal

## Plan includes "Equestrian Underpass."

BY NICHOLAS HORROCK  
THE GAZETTE

According to supporters of Woodlawn Stables, the Federal Highway Administration has offered an alternative bypass proposal that would allow the riding academy to continue operation, preserve more acreage and build new barn facilities on the remaining property.

The announcement said that Woodlawn is working with the FHWA and "an excellent architectural firm experience in designing equestrian facilities" in an effort to save the riding school as a resource in south Fairfax County. The plan would create an "Equestrian Underpass" to allow the horses to go under the bypass and reach an indoor riding rink from pasture areas.

David Versel, executive director of the Southeast Fairfax Development Corporation, said in an interview, that a key issue is the control of the property itself. The 60 acres and the stable facilities are managed by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. They have, he said, since 1991 leased the land and buildings to Woodlawn Stables for \$2,700 a month. Versel said this \$32,000 per year is "on a property that could be worth tens of millions of dollars if developed for another use."

**DESPITE THE POSSIBLE** profitability of the property, the National Trust is involved in historic preservation and not developing non-historic uses for the property. Shelly W. Castle, a spokesperson for Woodlawn, said the stables are in discussion with National Trust officials on how the stable operation can assist the Trust in raising additional funds. She acknowledged that Woodlawn Stables greatest concern is whether its lease will be renewed in 2016.

The Trust spokespersons have said it will make no announcement on the issue until the lease is closer to its end date, but have long reportedly opposed the widening plan because it would take land away from the plantation.

The decision of FHWA to work with the stables on a bypass plan less detrimental to the riding school came after an analysis of 281 public comments on the issue found strong support for a "widen-in-place" option (105 comments) and 126 responses that the road should not impede the Woodlawn Stables. The "widen-in-place" would take land from Woodlawn Plantation west of current Route 1 and land from the stables which are east of Route 1.

The Federal Highway Administration is expected to announce in September the plan it has selected for widening U.S. Route 1 the 3.4 miles between Fort Belvoir's Pence Gate and Mount Vernon Parkway.

The Woodlawn Stables announcement blames Gerry Hyland, the representative of Mount Vernon on the Fairfax Board of Supervisors, and Fairfax transportation officials for forcing the FHWA administration

to consider an unrealistic widening project to allow for rail or express bus lanes down the center of this road. Only 14 out of 281 people responded to the survey that this should be a priority.

Though there has long been talk in southern Fairfax of a subway extension or electric rail down Route 1, anybody who has followed the excruciating battles to fund rail to Dulles International Airport, would doubt this could happen within two or three decades.

This relatively short highway project has become bogged down by a score of differing needs and intentions that may suggest what goes wrong in public projects in times of financial limitations. For nearly two decades there have been ideas to widen Route 1 from Alexandria to Fredericksburg. State Sen. Toddy Puller (D-Fairfax) passed resolutions in the General Assembly in 1991 to start the planning process.

In a commentary in the Gazette on Aug. 1, Del. Scott A. Surovell, (D-44) outlined all the barriers that arose in the following 20 years from resistance by communities bordering the highway to the abysmal poverty in road funds in Virginia which has left hundreds of roads in Fairfax un-repaired. This resulted in a sensible, carefully researched redevelopment plan being left uncompleted.

**MEANWHILE, IN 2005** the Department of Defense undertook a sweeping Base Realignment and Closure protocol which by last year had transferred some 19,000 workers to areas in Alexandria and south Fairfax. Only 3,400 new personnel came to the main Fort Belvoir post and about half those people would not be heading north on Route 1, according to some traffic analysis.

Under pressure by the Virginia congressional delegation, the Department of Defense "earmarked" \$180 million to fund the redevelopment of the 3.4 miles. This limited project is going forward without a plan for the bulk of Route 1. As Surovell mentioned, one reason is "money."

As federal highway authorities opened a public hearing June 5 on their proposals to increase traffic flow to Fort Belvoir, they found themselves facing growing political and public resistance to a plan that would harm historical properties on the Woodlawn Meadow and drive the 50-year-old Woodlawn Stables out of business.

The FHWA originally created plans that pitted different stake holders against each other. The widening plan would cause Woodlawn Baptist Church to have to exhume 100 graves from its cemetery, said Travis Hilton, Woodlawn Baptist pastor.

The bypass plan would avoid the Baptist church property, but cut a swath through the center of the historic Woodlawn Meadow, destroying 150-year-old buildings on the property and driving the 56-horse stable and riding school out of business.

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### 21 Announcements

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# NEWCOMERS & COMMUNITY GUIDE

## Focusing on Gridlock and Overcrowded Schools

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lead to much-needed relief from Route 1 traffic congestion and will also positively impact on the scope and character of commercial and residential development in the region.

While the transit study is underway, significant construction and development and redevelopment in Mount Vernon continues at a quickened pace, lending even more urgency to the transit study decisions. However, looming in the near future will be the need for government leaders to find the money needed to finance the recommended improvements.

**NEW CONSTRUCTION** is underway to build the National Library for the Study of George Washington adjacent to the Mount Vernon Estate, build the U.S. Army National Museum at Fort Belvoir, and complete the construction of small, medium, and large commercial and multifamily residential construction projects along the Route 1 corridor.

The availability of \$180 million of federal highway money shepherded by U.S. Rep. Jim Moran to widen the Route 1 highway in the Fort Belvoir and Woodlawn Historical District awaits final decisions on the Federal Highway Administration widening design. Selecting the least objectionable design option will hasten much-needed Route 1 highway improvement in this traffic choke point or will be delayed because of critics who will see the design option as adversely impacting historic properties.

Elsewhere, decisions will be made next year affecting three Mount Vernon area



Spring clean-up at Huntley Meadows.

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public parks: in the north, the Fairfax County Park Authority is now working on a long-range plan for Westgrove Park adjacent to the Belle View Elementary School. Under pressure by a local group of dog owners, and over the objections of those who support keeping the park in its natural state, the Park Authority has already decided to provide for a two-year interim off leash dog park. Whether or not to approve a permanent off leash dog park and what, if any, other functions to include, will be decided sometime next year as part of the

master planning process. Along the Mount Vernon Parkway, the federally-managed Dyke Marsh wildlife preserve federal study will be completed soon and the National Park Service, working with the Corps of Engineers and the community, will recommend actions to stem the loss of wetlands areas. Further south, the federally managed Fort Hunt Park is being studied by the National Park Service in consultation with the community to develop a long-range plan for how the park will be utilized.

**GROWTH IN THE MOUNT VERNON-** area population also means growth in the school-age population. Whereas once, over 25 years ago, student enrollment declines resulted in boundary changes and, despite stiff community resistance, the closing of Fort Hunt High School, Hollin Hills and Hollin Hall Elementary schools, and the former Mount Vernon Middle School (now occupied by the Islamic Academy on Route 1). Now, the Mount Vernon area on both sides of Route 1 finds itself in the reverse situation of overcrowded schools requiring boundary studies to be conducted throughout the Mount Vernon area.

School Board member Dan Storck said the school system will be conducting boundary studies to address “projected overcrowding at West Potomac High School, and better utilize existing student capacity at other schools.”

Exacerbated by a chronic downturn in the economy the low-income minority population along the Route 1 corridor continues to need sustained focused support. In addition, the seniors 55 and over population is

growing rapidly and there is a strong desire to “age-in-place,” rather than move into institutional care. Aggressive and creative approaches to serving both of these groups will face the community in the fall and upcoming year. Their basic human needs: food, shelter, health care, transportation assistance, and in-home nursing and companion care, will challenge private service providers and county, state, and federal government leaders to meet their needs.

Inova Mount Vernon Hospital, having decided several years ago to make a long-term commitment to remain in the Mount Vernon community, continues to move ahead with expansion plans at the main hospital site on Collingwood Road. The Inova health system also recognized the need to open a Lorton area walk-in clinic and medical office facility in order to better serve the medical needs of the Mount Vernon area population in the Lorton area. A new private independent walk-in clinic (Doctors Express) has also opened to serve the Route 1 northern area of the district.

The outpatient and hospital needs of the active duty and retired military population living and working in the Mount Vernon area and outlying region will be served by the recent opening of Fort Belvoir Community Hospital on the Fort Belvoir military base. The new military hospital and rehabilitation facilities will also serve the newly acquired responsibilities of Fort Belvoir to serve combat wounded military personnel — a result of the BRAC decision to close Walter Reed Army Hospital in the district and send some of the combat wounded to Fort Belvoir hospital.

## Volunteers Needed To Help Nonprofit Organizations

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Shelter for the homeless as well other shelters and resident homes in Alexandria and Fairfax area. Their programs help the homeless get back on their feet and into jobs.

Volunteer opportunities are numerous, including tutoring, helping with job searches, resume writing, organizing recreation activities, assisting in the kitchen, helping with repairs and helping with landscaping and maintenance.

In particular, a tutor is needed who speaks Farsi and a data entry volunteer is needed. There’s an upcoming activity Sept. 29 called “Rock and Stroll” which needs many volunteers. Contact Chris at cbramante@newhopehousing.org.

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Shirley Marshall, the new executive director at UCM, is flanked by some of her staff: Terry Bibbs (left) director of human resources; Niki Wanner, director of development and communications and Herb Lea, director of community programs.

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also devoted to helping the homeless and needy, Good Shepherd Housing and Family Services needs volunteers for administration, mentoring, childcare, tutoring, writ-

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# ENTERTAINMENT

## 'Canvas of Clay' at Scope Gallery

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Work ranges from decorative forms and sculptures to functional traditional tableware.

Clay channels Picasso with geometric vases and plates and dips like Degas with graceful curves and movement of organic bowls and pitchers. The earthy palate and people painted by Diego Rivera is mirrored in brown stoneware sculptures and floral tiles.

Van Gough's starry swirls are seen in crystalline glazes and the spirals of thrown work. Esher's tessellations are echoed in stamped, embossed and textured surfaces while sheets of clay drape and shape a la the limp renderings of Savador Dali.

Floating florals and handpainted aquatic scenes hint at Monet while splashy servers appear as Jackson Pollock. Variations and lines on smoked and raku forms mirror the waves and lines of Japanese woodblock prints of Hokusai.

With this earthy palette, the moniker for high artistry might be, indeed, Mud.

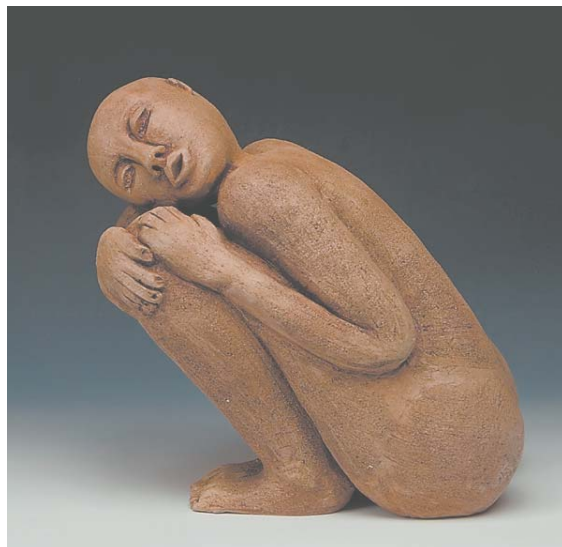
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Floating dogwood stoneware bowl by Suan Ying of Vienna.



Stoneware with stained finish sculpture by Christine Moerenhout-Hubloue of McLean.

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**Butchering Demonstration.** 3-4 p.m. Complimentary demonstration with Ken Kaiser covering how to break down and butcher whole chickens from Midnight Amish farms, and how to grill with marinades. Chickens and specialty sauces available for purchase. At the Butcher's Block, 1600 King St. Call 703-894-3440.

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**Alexandria Summer Restaurant Week.** More than 55 restaurants throughout Alexandria offer a \$35 prix-fixe three-course dinner or a \$35 dinner for two. Foodies can savor the flavors of Alexandria's distinctive collection of

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The costumed cast of MVCCT's July 2012 production of Peter Pan. Pictured are: Emma Brown, Kate Wharton, Adele Godby, Mikayla Henry, Brevan Collins, Danielle Yates, Leia Surovell, Jack Pyles and Katharine Burgess.

## MVCCT Announces Plans for New Season

Mount Vernon Community Children's Theatre, now in its 32nd season, announces a blockbuster season with a twist. Because of major renovations at Carl Sandburg Middle School, two of its three productions will have a temporary venue at Bryant Alternative School on Popkins Lane, next to Saint Louis School.

The 2012-2013 season includes the classic musicals Oklahoma! and Disney's My Son Pinocchio, both to be performed at Bryant, and the teen production, The Pink Panther Strikes Again, to be performed at Heritage Presbyterian Church. Children ages 8-18 may audition for the two musicals and those 12-18 may audition for the teen show.

Founded in 1980 in response to community desire for a creative outlet for youth in the Mount Vernon area south of Old Town, Alexandria, MVCCT has consistently served its community by offering three annual productions, summer and spring break camps, and after school programs for area youth. An ongoing scholarship program assures participation for area residents.

MVCCT is a nonprofit organization supported in part by the National Endowment for the Arts, the Virginia Commission for the Arts, and the Arts Council of Fairfax County. Additional support is provided by individuals and local businesses. MVCCT relies on a solid core of board members and volunteers.

Visit [www.mvctt.org](http://www.mvctt.org) or call 703-360-0686.

### MVCCT's 2012-2013 Season

#### Oklahoma!

Music by Richard Rodgers, Book and lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II  
Based on the play "Green Grow the Lilacs" by Lynn Riggs  
Original dance by Agnes de Mille  
Nov. 9, 10, 16 and 17 at 7:30 p.m.; Nov. 11 and 18 at 3 p.m.  
Auditions held the week of Sept. 9, 2012

At Bryant Alternative High School, 2709 Popkins Lane  
Oklahoma! tells the story of cowboy curly McLain and his romance with farm girl Laurey Williams alongside the drama of Will Parker and his flirtatious fiancée, Ado Annie. With songs like "Oh What a Beautiful Mornin'," "The Surrey with the Fringe on Top" and "People Will Say We're in Love"?

#### The Pink Panther Strikes Again (The Teen Production)

By William Gleason  
Based on the film by Blake Edwards and Frank Waldman  
Feb. 9, 15 and 16 at 7:30 p.m.; Feb. 10 and 17 at 3 p.m.  
At Heritage Presbyterian Church, 8503 Fort Hunt Road  
A stage adaptation of the 1976 film features a madman threatening the world's survival with the ultimate Doomsday Machine. Who can save the world? Why, the world's most unusual criminologist, Inspector Jacques Clouseau.

#### Disney's My Son Pinocchio

Book by David I. Stern, Music and lyrics by Stephen Schwartz  
"When You Wish Upon A Star" and "I've Got No Strings": music by Leigh Harline, lyrics by Ned Washington from the Walt Disney Motion Picture Pinocchio.

March 8, 9, 15 and 16 at 7:30 p.m.; March 10 and 17 at 3 p.m.  
At Bryant Alternative High School, 2709 Popkins Lane  
Join Pinocchio, the Blue Fairy, and a lively cast of characters as Geppetto journeys beyond the Toy Shop to discover what makes the "perfect child." This classic tale of an aging toymaker and his puppet, Pinocchio, features a compelling score of original songs along with the beloved classics "When You Wish Upon a Star" and "I've Got No Strings."



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**"Fallen Angel," oil, by Diane Tesler, 44" x 16"**

**"Second Skin," graphite, by Lisa Semerad, 5 7/8" x 4 3/4"**



### Online Auction Will Benefit Art League

The online silent auction of faculty work, the third event in The Art League's "30-Something" Summer Series, is an opportunity to own a masterpiece by a member of the league's faculty while supporting The Art League's build out at the Madison Annex. All proceeds from the auction go to fund the project.

Works by the following instructors are available for auction: Dawn Benedetto, Gwen Bragg, David Carter, Danni Dawson, CM Dupre, Steve Fleming, Mike Francis, Rob Liberace (3 pieces), Rosemary Luckett, Fred Markham, Joyce McCarten, Sara Linda Poly, Beverly Ryan, Jackie Saunders, Deanna Schwartzberg, Lisa Semerad, Marsha Staiger and Diane Tesler.

The online auction begins Sunday, Aug. 26 at 6 p.m. and closes on Tuesday, Aug. 28 at 5 p.m. Visit <http://www.32auctions.com/theartleaguefaculty> to view the works available and register. You must create an account on the site to participate in the auction. Visit [www.theartleague.org](http://www.theartleague.org).

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**Untitled Me Exhibit.** 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 D.C. 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).

### SUNDAY/AUG. 26

**A Great Gatsby Ice Cream Social.** 2-5 p.m. Step back in time with an ice cream social on the lawn of the beautiful Lee-Fendall House Museum, 614 Oronoco St. Tickets are \$18 for adults, \$15 for children ages 3-17. Call 703-548-1789 to purchase tickets. Visit [leefendallhouse.org](http://leefendallhouse.org).

**30th Annual Begonia Show and Sale.** noon - 3:30 p.m. Presented by the Potomac Branch of the American Begonia Society. At Green Springs Garden Park, 6403 Green Springs Rd.

**Jazz Summer.** 2-3 p.m. With the duo "Mike and Tai Jazz," mainstays of the Washington Jazz Scene, at the Charles E. Beatley Central Library, 5005 Duke St., [www.alexandria.lib.va.us](http://www.alexandria.lib.va.us); 703-746-1702. Free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

**Gospel Music.** 4 p.m. The Carter Gospel Singers of Alexandria are celebrating their 43rd anniversary in concert along with the Original Carter Chorus Singers at the Woodlawn-Faith United Methodist Church, 7730 Fordson Road.

**Visiting Artists Demonstration Day** at the Torpedo Factory. Meet the Torpedo Factory's visiting artists and learn about their methods, materials, techniques, and backgrounds. Demonstrations from 1-4 p.m. Free. 105 N. Union St. Visit [www.torpedofactory.org](http://www.torpedofactory.org).



**Del Ray Artisans presents BOARDERLINES, an art exhibit by six members of the Board of Directors, through Sept. 2. Visit [www.theDelRayArtisans.org](http://www.theDelRayArtisans.org).**

**Family Potluck Picnic.** 4-6 p.m. Hosted by the Mount Vernon Unitarian Church for members who live in Alexandria and their families and friends, as well as anyone who would like to meet the MVUC minister and hear more about the Unitarian faith. At Fort Ward Park, 4301 West Braddock Road, Picnic Area 1. Bring a favorite dish to share and reusable plates and utensils, if possible.

### MONDAY/AUG. 27

**Haircuts.** 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Fairfax County Firefighters will sponsor children's haircuts at Gum Springs Recreation Center, 8100 Fordson Rd. Off-duty firefighters/barbers, the Progressive Firefighters of Fairfax County, Inc., WKYS 93.9 FM, and local barbers throughout the community will provide free haircuts for local kids on free or reduced lunch plans in anticipation of the new school year.

### TUESDAY/AUG. 28

**Gina DeSimone and the Moaners.** 9-11 p.m. Using acoustic and electric guitars, playing a mix of funk, jazzy blues and smoky folk guitar for swing dance fun. \$10. At The Carlyle Club, 411 John Carlyle St.

### WEDNESDAY/AUG. 29

**Solomon Douglas Quartet.** 9-11 p.m. Seattle pianist Soloman Douglas and young vocalist Alison Dreyfuss from New Hampshire perform at Nick's Nightclub, 642 South Pickett St. \$10.

### THURSDAY/AUG. 30

**Kenny Lattimore.** 7:30 p.m. \$29.50. The Music Hall. Visit [www.kennylattimore.com](http://www.kennylattimore.com).  
**Leukemia/Lymphoma.** 7 p.m. Free. Make a difference in the fight against blood cancer. Team In Training will

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## FRIDAY/AUG. 31

**BIG CHALK DRAW.** 8-10 a.m. Community art event in Art at the Center's parking lot at 2804 Sherwood Hall Lane. Free. Donations of new backpacks and school supplies to benefit families served by Good Shepherd Housing and Family Services needed. Visit [www.artatthecenter.org](http://www.artatthecenter.org)

**Beatlemania Magic.** The Carlyle Club, 411 John Carlyle Street, Alexandria. 8 pm. \$25. A national touring Beatles Tribute band recreating the early Beatles concerts with identical costumes, equipment and spot on harmonies. Visit <http://thecarlyleclub.com> or call 703-548-8899

## SATURDAY/SEPT. 1

**Alexandria Art Market.** 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Alexandria's newest outdoor art market featuring a variety of original artwork from more than 25 artists displayed for sale including painting, photography, pottery, jewelry, and glasswork. Market includes live music and food from local restaurants. At Del Ray Artisans Gallery, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Call 703-838-4827.

## THROUGH SEPT. 2

**Boarderlines.** Thursday-Sunday. Free. This exhibit is an individual and

group journey across "boarders" and features a silent auction, 2-D and 3-D gallery artwork, and take-away art. At the Nicholas A. Colasanto Center, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Visit [www.theDelRayArtisans.org](http://www.theDelRayArtisans.org).

## WEDNESDAY/SEPT. 5

**"Out of the Past."** 7 p.m. Free. Starring Robert Mitchum, Kirk Douglas, and Jane Greer. Part of the monthly Film Noir Series at Duncan Library, 2501 Commonwealth Ave., in Del Ray. After the movie, viewers are invited to discuss the film at St. Elmo's Coffee Pub at 2300 Mt. Vernon Ave. Call 703-746-1705.

## THURSDAY/SEPT. 6

**Fashion's Night Out Alexandria.** Presented by Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association. 6-11 p.m. Participating boutiques, restaurants and businesses throughout Alexandria. Visit [www.fashionsnightoutalexandria.com](http://www.fashionsnightoutalexandria.com)

**Ten Thousand Villages,** a fair trade retailer on King Street in Old Town, will be transformed into an oriental rug showroom, when more than 300 rugs, all hand made in Pakistan by fairly paid adults, arrive for the annual 4-day sale. Ten Thousand Villages is located at 915 King St. Call 703-684-1435.

**First Thursday in Del Ray.** 6-9 p.m. Celebrating Fashion's Night Out with the theme "Always in Fashion" during this month's family-friendly



## Fuse Box

**Alexandria's own Fuse Box will perform at Tim's Rivershore Restaurant & Crabhouse on Sunday, Aug. 26, 1-6 p.m. Classic rock and roll, river views and Tim's famous home-cooked seafood. 1510 Cherryhill Road, Dumfries, Va. Call 703-441-1375 or visit [www.timsrivershore.com](http://www.timsrivershore.com).**

street festival. Festivities along Mount Vernon Avenue include music, exhibitions by local organizations, and businesses open late with activities. At Mount Vernon Avenue. Call 703-746-3301.

## FRIDAY/SEPT. 7

**Jazz Supper Under the Stars.** 5-9 p.m. An evening of food and jazz with Al Williams' jazz band and catering by Hard Times Cafe. Hosted by the Old Town Business & Professional Association and the King Street Gardens Park Foundation. Tickets \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. At King Street Garden Park, Diagonal Road and King Street. Call

703-683-0333.

## SEPT. 7 THROUGH 30

**'It Runs in the Family'** art exhibit. Artists explore many ways art runs in families; presenting collections of their own and their family's artworks. Details at [www.TheDelRayArtisans.org](http://www.TheDelRayArtisans.org).

## SATURDAY/SEPT. 8

**Green Spring Gardens.** 2-3 p.m. Family Fun: Autumn is for Apples. 4603 Green Spring Rd. Code: 290 484 7501. \$6/person. Children ages 5 and older with registered paying

adult. Listen to the story of Johnny Appleseed and take a walk through our orchard. Try some applesauce and leave with an apple inspired decoration. Register on-line at [www.greenspring.org](http://www.greenspring.org) or call Green Spring Gardens at 703-642-5173.

**Green Spring Gardens.** Flourishing, Flowering Salvias. 4603 Green Spring Rd. Code: 290 488 6301. 9:30-11 a.m. \$22. Make room in your garden for fall blooming salvias. Take home a sample of hardy salvia. Register on-line at [www.greenspring.org](http://www.greenspring.org) or call 703-642-5173.

**Art Activated.** 12-4 p.m. This free, 6th annual event takes place during the Alexandria King Street Art Festival. Studios and galleries will be open for the public to check out local artwork and meet the artists. Artist demonstrations, hands-on projects, and activities throughout the afternoon. At the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Call 703-838-4565.

## SATURDAY/SEPT. 8 THROUGH SEPT. 9

**Alexandria King Street Art Festival.** Historic King Street from Washington Street to the waterfront is transformed into an outdoor art gallery with original fine artwork by over 200 artists from the US and abroad. Saturday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Visit [AlexandriaVA.com](http://AlexandriaVA.com) - 703-746-3301 or [www.ArtFestival.com](http://www.ArtFestival.com) - 561-

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# ASO Names New Executive Director

The Alexandria Symphony names a new Executive Director effective Aug. 27, 2012. Jessica Wisser joins the ASO to replace Adrien Finlay, who relocated to New England earlier this summer. Wisser will assume responsibilities for operations, fundraising, marketing and public relations for the 68-year-old organization.

Wisser, a recent Alexandria transplant from the Boston area, formerly served as General Manager for Cantata Singers, a choral organization dedicated to the performance of works both old and new.

A music lover from a young age, Ms. Wisser began her music career as a pianist, later branching out to study voice and music theory. She graduated with a B.A. from Duke University, focusing on a double major in music and public policy. She was active within the University's music department, performing with the Duke University Chorale under Rodney Wynkoop, as well as with Duke University's oldest all-female a cappella group, Duke Out of the Blue.

The ASO begins its season on Sept. 22 with piano soloist Yulia Gorenman performing Brahms's Piano Concerto No. 1 in D minor, Op. 15, as well as Copland's Fanfare for the Common Man and Sibelius's Symphony No. 2 in D major, Op. 43.

The Alexandria Symphony Orchestra, one of North-



Jessica Wisser

ern Virginia's most active performing arts organizations, presents its 69th season — and Music Director Kim Allen Kluge's 25th Anniversary season — during 2012-2013. While renowned for bringing distinguished soloists to the DC and Northern Virginia Metropolitan area, the Symphony remains committed to providing affordable and

accessible music through its highly respected, innovative, professional performances and programming. The Symphony is also dedicated to reinforcing arts education in school curriculums and was one of two orchestras in the United States to be selected for one of the violinist Midori's Orchestra Residencies Program during the 2011-2012 season, where the violinist spends a week with the orchestra and in local public schools.

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746-6615. Free.

**Autumn Cabaret.** 7 p.m. An evening of song, dance, variety and comedy. Individuals and ensembles from the D.C. area's premier pops chorus perform in an elegant, cabaret-style setting at the beautiful Carlyle Club, 411 John Carlyle St. \$20. Call 703-941-7464.

### SEPT. 8 THROUGH 29

**"Funny Money."** Wednesdays-Saturdays, 8 p.m.; Sundays, 3 p.m. This comedy of errors by the master of farce, Ray Cooney, follows Henrys Perkins' attempts to escape his humdrum life and spice it up with this new "funny money." \$17-20. At the Little Theatre of Alexandria, 600 Wolfe St. Call 703-683-0496.

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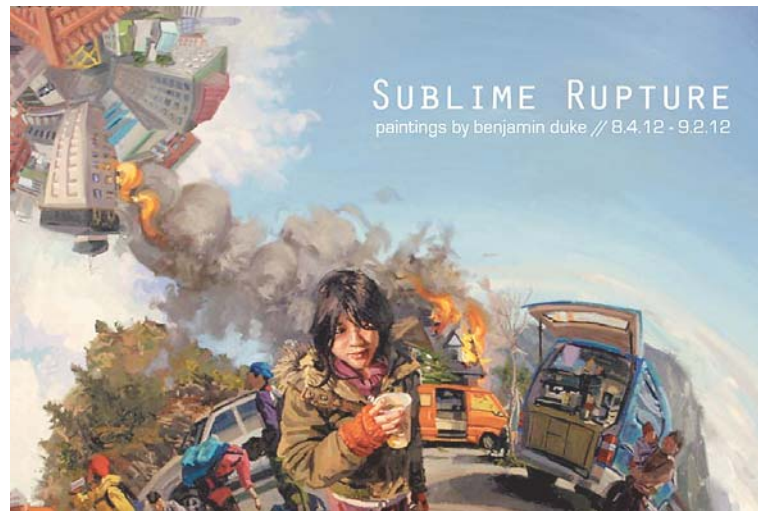
**Art Show.** Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery announces the opening of the juried show "Paper of All Kinds." The gallery is open daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Free. Studio 18 of the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 North Union St., Old Town Alexandria on the waterfront.

### SUNDAY/SEPT. 9

**Matinee Film.** 2 p.m. Beatley Central Library Sunday Matinee Film Series featuring: Dave (PG-13). The Charles E. Beatley Central Library, 5005 Duke St. Visit [www.alexandria.lib.va.us](http://www.alexandria.lib.va.us) or call 703-746-1702. Free and open to the general public. Refreshments will be served.

**Green Spring Gardens.** Springfield Art Guild Art Reception. 4603 Green Spring Rd. 1-3 p.m. Free. Meet local artists from the Springfield Art Guild and their mixed media show of botanical art. Light refreshments served. Call Green Spring Gardens at 703-642-5173.

**Family Concert.** 7:30 p.m. Melissa Cox, at Mount Vernon Unitarian Church. At the MVUC Chapel, 1909



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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. Target Gallery, Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Visit [www.torpedofactory.org/target](http://www.torpedofactory.org/target).

Windmill Lane. Donations will help Beacon House, which provides mentoring, athletic, and nutritional programs to at-risk children in the Edgewood Terrace community of Washington, D.C. Visit [www.mvuc.org](http://www.mvuc.org).

### MONDAY/SEPT. 10

**Green Spring Gardens.** 6:30-8:30 p.m. Floral Design: Punch with a Bunch. 4603 Green Spring Rd. Code: 290 488 9601. \$35. Discover how to transform that grocery bunch of flowers into a beautiful floral design. Class participants design their own arrangement to take home. Floral material and containers provided. Registration and \$20 supply fee due by Aug. 31. Call 703-642-5173.

**Green Spring Gardens.** Garden Sprouts: Migrating Monarchs. 4603 Green Spring Rd. Code: 290 484

7601. 11a.m. - noon. \$5/Child. Children ages 3-5 with accompanying adult. Hunt for monarch butterflies in the gardens, learn about their life cycle, migration and favorite flowers. Register on-line at [www.greenspring.org](http://www.greenspring.org) or call Green Spring Gardens at 703-642-5173.

### TUESDAY/SEPT 11-SUNDAY/OCT 21

**Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery** announces the opening of the juried show "Antique Recreations." Open daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., except on Thursdays, 11a.m. to 9 p.m. Free. Artists are inspired by old linens, old lace, old techniques made new. Jewelry, sculpture, clothing, and wall pieces are some of the items that will be exhibited. Studio 18 of the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 North Union Street, Old Town Alexandria on the waterfront.

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# Mount Vernon: From a Boy Scout's Perspective

BY DOMINIC MANCINI  
BSA TROOP 888

I was reading your newspaper online, and noticed your request for people to write about their experiences and interests in the community. I thought it would be interesting to write to you from the perspective of Boy Scouts in the Mount Vernon area. Boy Scouts in America started in 1910 and has thrived ever since. In the Mount Vernon area I know of at least five active Boy Scout troops. Mine is Troop 888, which meets at Plymouth Haven Baptist Church. Boy Scouts gives boys opportunities to succeed and teaches them responsibility, integrity and leadership. My involvement has helped me to better understand my community, become involved and contribute through volunteerism.

Joining the Boy Scouts has raised my awareness of the community in several ways. In Boy Scouts we often hike in the area and visit nearby historic landmarks. In pursuit of our American Heritage Merit Badge, my troop visited one of these landmarks, Mount Vernon, which plays an important role in the history of our community and our nation. Growing up in this area, I've visited Mount Vernon many times. When I was a wee tot, we used to have pic-



Mount Vernon Estate

nics there, run in the fields and visit the animals. As I've grown older, my family and I have taken out of town visitors to tour the mansion and grounds. Now as a Boy Scout, I toured the estate, learned more about our

first President's contributions to the United States, and the role he played in the history of our community. George Washington once owned the land that my house is built on. We even had a historian from Mount

Vernon come talk to the troop.

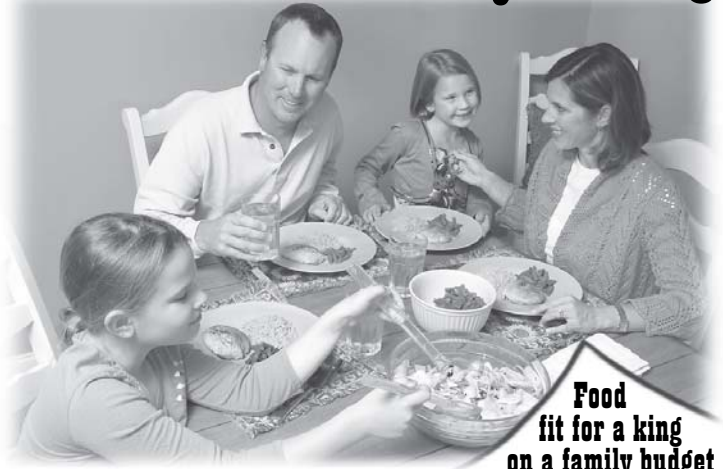
Other Merit Badges such as Photography and Architecture, have helped me to look at my community with a critical eye. Wandering the streets of Old Town, I've identified at least 15 different architectural styles. I've learned to notice details that I had ignored before and can more greatly appreciate the beauty and diversity of my community.

Boy Scouts encourages volunteerism. I have assisted with a number of Eagle Scout Projects which have helped me to get to know my community and its needs better. Our troops scouts have helped install a patio at Saint Luke's Church, marked a trail in the Accotink Bay Wildlife Refuge, built wooden bridges at Fort Belvoir and Mount Vernon High School, built picnic tables at Plymouth Haven Church and participated in many more projects of this nature. I've also had the opportunity to volunteer at a local soup kitchen, helping the poorer members of our community and reminding me that not everyone here is as fortunate as my friends and I.

I would encourage new members to our community to join in and get involved. Whether it's scouts or another community organization, chances are, your efforts will be rewarded.

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