



Sept. 11 Remembrance Ceremony

Market Square is bathed in golden light as Fire Chief Adam Thiel concludes his remarks on remembering September 11, 2001 on Tuesday. Thiel noted that 11 years ago he thought he understood the grief connected with the loss of a co-worker. He went on to say that after the events of the past year here in Alexandria and losing one of his own forces, his understanding has significantly changed.



Fire Battalion Chief Michael Brown tolls the bell five times in the Return to Quarters Ceremony.

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LOUISE KRAFFT
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Vice Mayor Kerry Donley is joined by U.S. Rep. Jim Moran and Police Chief Earl Cook before the 9/11 ceremony on Tuesday evening.



Deputy Sheriff LaTonya Covington, along with city officials, stands at attention at the conclusion of the Return To Quarters Ceremony in Market Square.

Trio of Challengers Against Moran

Republican, Independent Green and independent candidates all hope to take on longtime congressman.

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE
GAZETTE PACKET

A trio of challengers will oppose longtime U.S. Rep. Jim Moran (D-8) this November, although the Northern Virginia district is solidly blue and not considered competitive. Challengers include a conservative Republican, a liberal Independent Green and an independent candidate hoping to steer clear of partisan influence.

"It's not realistic to think that any of these candidates poses a serious threat to Moran," said Toni-Michelle Travis, political science professor at George Mason University. "But our democracy is founded on the idea that members of Congress should be challenged every election, so it's good to have

the debate."

And there's a lot to debate. The congressman's opponents are calling for everything from the repeal of the Affordable Care Act to reopening the 9/11 Commission. They face an uphill battle in the Eighth Congressional District, where Moran is well known for using his position on the Appropriations Committee to steer federal money to Northern Virginia. As a member of the House of Representatives for the last 22 years, Moran is one of the most recognizable members of the Virginia delegation.

"With so many Democrats in Northern Virginia, this seat is as safe as you can get," said Kyle Kondick, analyst with the University of Virginia Center for Politics.

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Sharp-Dressed Teacher

Living Legend Carlton Funn dies at age 80.

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE
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Carlton Funn, a longtime teacher and Living Legend who helped create Alexandria Society for the Preservation of Black Heritage, died Tuesday, Sept. 11 of pneumonia. He was 80.

"He had a very witty, knee-slap-

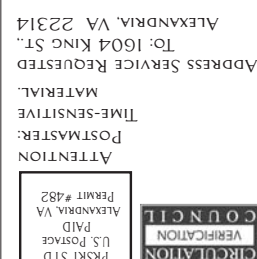


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Carlton Funn

ping sense of humor," said son Marc Funn. "That's what made him such a memorable teacher."

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Two Down

The Alexandria City Council gaveled back into session, but two longtime fixtures were not there.

The portrait of **George Washington** was absent, his knowing gaze no longer overlooking the actions of city leaders. City officials have packed the portrait up and sent it off to a restoration specialist so that it will be as vivid as the portrait of **Robert E. Lee**, which was recently refurbished as a gift from the Sons of Confederate Veterans. The city plans to spend about \$2,500 so the gleam in Washington's eye will sparkle with the same intensity as the leader of the Lost Cause.

The other absence was the seat where former Councilman **Rob Krupicka** used to sit, which remained empty for the duration of Tuesday night's meeting. Last week, Krupicka submitted his resignation after winning a special election to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of former Del. **David Englin** (D-45). Council members took official action to accept the vacancy Tuesday night, and hand delivered the resolution to the courthouse Wednesday morning. Circuit Court Chief Judge **Lisa Kemler** has the power to appoint a temporary council member to serve the rest of the year.

"The council does have a public hearing coming up on Saturday," said Vice Mayor **Kerry Donley**. "With any luck, maybe we've got a full complement on Saturday. We've got some items, and we don't want to have ties."

Ramble On

If the city's ongoing dispute with Norfolk Southern Railroad had a soundtrack, it would probably be the classic 1969 Led Zeppelin song "Communication Breakdown." The first verse would be about former City Manager **Jim Hartmann** failing to tell City Council members that a class 3 hazardous materials facility until it had already been in operation a month. The second verse would be about what happened last week, when railroad officials failed to call the Alexandria Fire Department when they spilled 150 gallons of liquid ethanol.

"We would hope they would have called the universal number for help," said City Manager **Rashad Young**. "911."

But they didn't. Railroad officials said they followed their plan for a spill at the facility, immediately notifying federal and state officials. They didn't get around to calling Alexandria until more than an hour after the accident.

"We notified those that really needed to know at the time depending on the nature of the emergency," said Norfolk Southern spokesman **Robin Chapman**. "We have a plan that's specific to each situation, and we followed the plan."

Norfolk Southern describes the call to Alexandria as a "courtesy call," although Alexandria Fire Chief **Adam Thiel** isn't sure what that means.

"We don't get a lot of courtesy calls," said Thiel. "We get a lot of 911 calls, which are, by definition, urgent."

The hour-long delay has created a new sense of urgency at City Hall, where officials are trying to schedule a meeting with Norfolk Southern in an effort to persuade the railroad to notify the city immediately of any accidents at the hazardous materials facility.

Arlandria Dreams

The long-delayed dream of redeveloping Arlandria remains stalled by a sluggish economy and unfunded improvements. The old Safeway has never been redeveloped, and its parking lot is a large-scale reminder of the unfulfilled promise of the neighborhood bordering Arlington and Alexandria. That's why Mayor **Bill Buille** is looking for what he calls "a genie in a bottle."

During a discussion of the Arlandria Action Plan this week, the mayor noted that the city officials should "think outside the box" when trying to find \$180,000 for a new roof and air-conditioner for the Four Mile Run Community Building. One idea, the mayor suggested, might be to sell the naming rights.

"Instead of the Arlandria Neighborhood Buildings, maybe it could be the **Rob Krupicka** Building," joked the mayor.

— MICHAEL LEE POPE

NEWS



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Fatima Shuler looks over the Nationwide NASCAR at the chamber event.

Heel & Wheels

The Alexandria Chamber Professional Women's Network joined event hosts Duke Street Speedy Lube and Mango Mike's for an evening of barbecue and cars on Wednesday, Sept. 5. The event held in the Speedy Lube parking lot at the corner of Duke and South Jordan Streets featured the Nationwide NASCAR racer.



Event co-sponsor Duke Street Speedy Lube owner Connie Hart and her crew Tony Willingham and Anthony Carevich.



Kathy Renwick tries out Officer Tony Brown's new three-wheeler.



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At Del Ray's Fashion Block Party

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Garrett White joins the gathering at Barkley Square before the runway show.



Christina Richardson, brought along her dog for the runway show.



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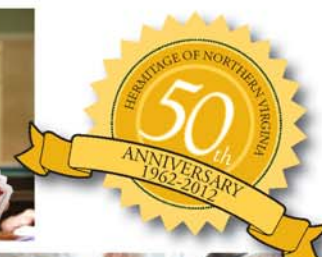
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Running Down the Clock

With six weeks to go before Election Day, it's starting to look like Alexandria Mayor **Bill Euille** will not be debating former Vice Mayor **Andrew Macdonald** — at least not in a debate that doesn't include all 12 of the City Council candidates.

"I'm not opposed to it," said Euille, who has already turned down at least one invitation to a one-on-one debate with Macdonald. "But it's a short window of time, and I'm not sure we can work it out."

Democrats say the failure to schedule a separate debate for the mayoral candidates is a scheduling problem rather than a strategic one, with the mayor tending to the city's business at the same time as he's running for a forth term. Macdonald supporters say the mayor is afraid of a one-on-one debate with Macdonald, and that he's hoping that an event featuring all 12 council candidates will reduce the time and attention focused on his record.

"I find it difficult to believe that the mayor can't find an hour or two in his schedule to give the citizens something they truly deserve — the chance to take measure of each of us unfettered by other discourse," said Macdonald. "I believe Mayor Euille should take a more positive approach to informing the citizens of Alexandria."

The Undecided

The fate of Virginia's hotly contested campaign for the U.S. Senate is now in the hands of undecided voters, a group of people who have yet to make up their minds about which candidate they support in the closely watched race.

"What we are seeing is the weakening of party ties and the ascendancy of voting for individuals because we like an individual or his policies," said George Mason University professor **Toni-Michelle Travis**. "People stay undecided until some crucial event pushes them one way or another. For some women it's abortion, and for men it may be views on Afghanistan or foreign policy."

Poll after poll shows that the race between Allen and Kaine is at a deadlock, even tighter than the presidential contest in Virginia. President Barack Obama has stronger support in Virginia than Kaine, even though both are Democrats on a statewide ballot.

"I'm sure Kaine will get the vast majority of black votes, but maybe if there was a little bit of an undervote or perhaps Kaine might not be getting quite the level of black support that Obama is getting," said **Kyle Kondick**, analyst with the University of Virginia Center for Politics. "That may be a small factor but potentially an important one."

Not Invited

Presidential candidates are often judged by whether or not they are able to carry their home state. Statewide candidates are judged by whether or not they can carry their region. At a local level, one crucial factor to watch is whether or not a candidate is able to win his or her home precinct. But what happens when your own civic association won't invite you to its candidate forum?

"I guess I should be offended," said **Janet Murphy**, Independent Green candidate for Congress. "They didn't invite me."

For the last two years, Murphy has lived in the Cherrydale neighborhood of Arlington County. But Murphy says nobody has called to invite her to the Oct. 17 Cherrydale Candidates Forum.

"I'll just come in as the wicked witch," said Murphy. "I'm assuming they want the more the merrier at these things because it can get dull."

Murphy is not a first-time candidate, although her campaign against Del. **Bob Brink** (D-48) was unsuccessful. When she tried to bring a bouquet of flowers to one debate, she said, the gift was rejected.

"They didn't want to seem like they were taking one side or the other, which I guess I can understand," said Murphy.

— MICHAEL LEE POPE

POLITICS

Meet the Candidates



Jim Moran



Patrick Murray



Jason Howell



Janet Murphy

♦ **Jim Moran, 67:** A native of Buffalo, N.Y., Moran was raised in Natick, Mass., and moved to Northern Virginia in the 1970s to work as a stockbroker. He has a bachelor's degree in economics from the College of the Holy Cross and a master's degree in public administration from the University of Pittsburgh. He was first elected to the Alexandria City Council in 1979, and was elected mayor in 1985. He ran for Congress in 1990, and has been reelected 10 times.

♦ **Patrick Murray, 53:** A native of Oklahoma City, Okla., Murray moved to the Carlyle neighborhood after retiring from the Army in 2009. He has a bachelor's degree in economics from Oklahoma State University, a master's degree ancient history from Oklahoma State University and a master's degree in Russian Studies from Ohio State University. He served in the Army from 1986 to 2009, retiring as a colonel who was

stationed in New York City as part of the diplomatic corps.

♦ **Jason Howell, 38:** A native of Anaheim, Calif., Howell was raised in Northern Virginia. He has an associate's degree from Northern Virginia Community College in Annandale and a bachelor's degree in accounting from George Mason University. He worked in banking and accounting before founding his own company and writing "America: Still the Land of Opportunity," which was self-published in 2011.

♦ **Janet Murphy, 61:** A native of Boston, Murphy was raised in Beverly, Mass. She has a bachelor's degree in English drama from McGill University in Montreal, Canada. She has a master's degree in counseling from the University of the District of Columbia. She is a former real-estate agent who is currently a property manager for two buildings in Dupont Circle and a building in Brightwood.

Trio of Challengers Against Moran

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"If he was ever in any trouble, it would be in a primary and not in a general election."

WHEN ASKED ABOUT his goals for the next term, Moran said his top priority is avoiding any negative impact of the "sequester" — \$1.2 trillion in automatic spending cuts that would be triggered if Congress cannot reach a deal to reduce the deficit by the end of the year. The congressman said sequestration would have a particularly devastating influence in Northern Virginia, where cuts to defense spending plays an important role in the local economy.

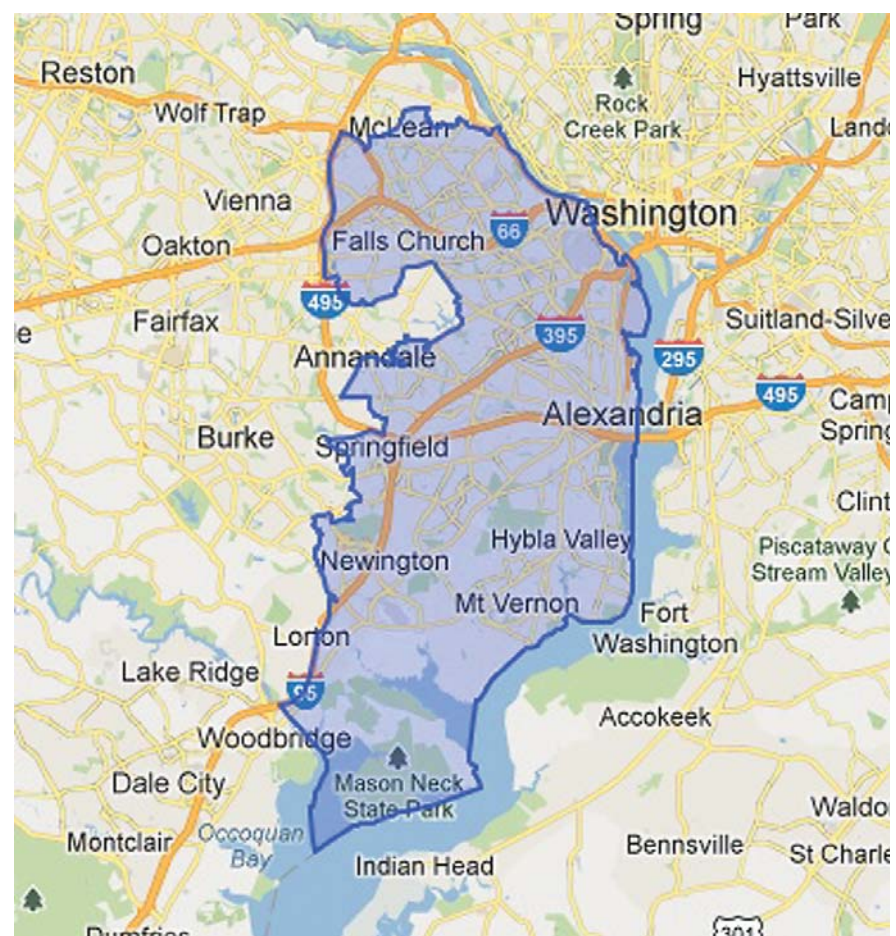
"We've got to avoid it," said Moran. "And I think the way to avoid it is to reset the budget table by letting the Bush tax cuts expire and getting enough revenue on the table that we can afford government at a reasonable level."

Moran also said he wants to invest in early childhood education and research into early childhood development. He noted that the budget proposal submitted by U.S. Rep. Paul Ryan (R-Wisc.), who is the vice presidential nominee on the presidential ticket, eliminated the Child Care Tax Credit. Moran said that's a mistake. The congressman said he wants a "large piece" of funding for pre-Kindergarten in the

Elementary and Secondary Education Act reauthorization, although he wasn't willing to say how much because the numbers are still being negotiated. He also wants to start investing in public transit in southeast Fairfax County, eventually extending the Metro system south from the Springfield Metro station toward Fort Belvoir.

"We have got to start reinvesting in our nation's infrastructure, particularly public transit," said Moran. "We've disinvested over the last several years, so it's going to cost us more now to get back to where

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The Eighth Congressional District

VIRGINIA PUBLIC ACCESS PROJECT

NEWS

Bidding Adieu to The Winery

Local wine shop
to close Sept. 15.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN
GAZETTE PACKET

The Winery, a fine wine and gourmet food shop known for the personal touch of owner Jane Cahill, will be closing its doors Sept. 15 after more than a decade of serving the Alexandria community.

"Everyone has been so supportive," said Cahill, who has owned the South Washington Street shop for 15 years. "And I know the friends we've made here will continue to be our friends."

Cahill and her husband, retired army officer Tim Graham, have been living above the shop but found their dream home in the West End of Alexandria over Labor Day weekend.

"We didn't want to lose the house so we made the decision to close the shop and make the move," Cahill said. "When we looked at the numbers, it didn't make sense to keep operating the shop if we weren't going to be living in the same building."

Cahill will continue to lend her expertise through consulting, private wine tastings and organizing wine dinners.

"I'm excited about this new adventure for me," Cahill said. "This move allows me to not have the restrictions of a retail shop. Now I can be more creative and more accessible to my clients."

Cahill praised her experience as a local business owner, noting the guidance and support she received from the Small Business Development Center's Bill Reagan, Stephanie Landrum of the Alexandria Economic Development Partnership and Peter Leiberg of the city's Planning and Zoning Department.

"I loved working with Bill, Stephanie and Peter,"



PHOTO BY JEANNE THEISMANN/GAZETTE PACKET

The Winery owner Jane Cahill will be closing the S. Washington Street shop Sept. 15 after 15 years in business in Alexandria.

Cahill said. "They all helped me get started when I first opened and really do provide an invaluable resource here in the city."

For the last 13 years, Cahill has hosted an annual fundraiser for St. Ann's Infant and Maternity Home in Washington, raising more than \$228,000 for abused, neglected and abandoned children and pregnant and parenting teenage women.

"Absolutely I will continue to do the St. Ann's event," Cahill said. "Only now I will be able to host it in my new home."

Cahill takes with her many memories of her years selling wine to local residents but one day in particular stands out.

"It was the best day of my life when Tim walked into my shop 12 years ago and I sold him a bottle of Fat Bastard chardonnay," Cahill said with a smile. "We've been married for 8 years now and are looking forward to the next chapter in our lives."

The Winery, located at 317 S. Washington St., will close Sept. 15. For information on private events, Cahill can be reached at jcwinery@erols.com.

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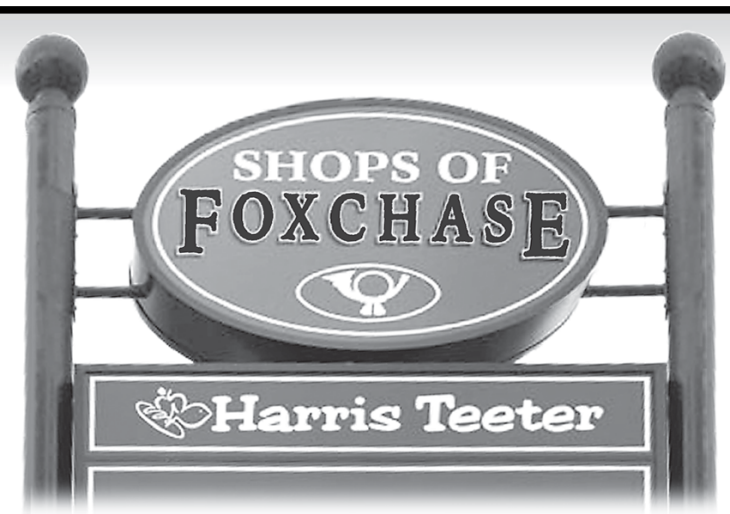
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Approximately 75 children were ID'd. Numerous vendors provided information and free brochures, pamphlets and gifts. Family activities included a petting zoo, moon bounce, video game truck, face painting, and more. Police K-9 Jay demonstrated how he detects explosives.

Children tumble through the inflatable slide at the second annual Emergency Preparedness Fair at the Inova Alexandria Hospital.

The Alexandria City Council, by resolution, has certified that a vacancy exists in the membership of council as a result of Councilman K. Rob Krupicka's resignation. Any person who is interested in filling Mr. Krupicka's unexpired term on the City Council is requested to submit a letter detailing their qualifications and reasons for seeking the position to the Alexandria Circuit Court no later than the close of business on September 25, 2012. In the event the judges of the Circuit Court desire to follow up in person with any such applicant, the applicant shall be contacted about scheduling an interview. It is the intention of the Court to appoint an individual who does not have an interest in seeking a permanent position on Council.

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PPEA PROPOSAL**

**PROPOSAL FOR BIOSOLIDS PROCESSING
Issue Date: September 6, 2012**



**CLOSING DATE: October 21, 2012
CLOSING TIME: 2:00 PM, EDT**

Alexandria Renew Enterprises ("ARenew") has accepted an unsolicited proposal for review pursuant to the Virginia Public-Private Education Facilities and Infrastructure Act of 2002 (the "PPEA") (Va. Code § 56-575.1 et. seq., as amended) and the ARenew PPEA Guidelines. ARenew intends to evaluate the proposal, may negotiate an interim or comprehensive agreement with the proposer based on the proposal, and will accept for simultaneous consideration any competing proposals that comply with the procedures adopted by ARenew and the PPEA.

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OBITUARIES

Janet Elizabeth Hannan Hyman

Janet Elizabeth (Libby) Hannan Hyman completed a long and full life of 99 years at Goodwin House in Falls Church on Aug. 16, 2012. She was born on Oct. 8, 1912 to William and Janet McClymont Hannan of Lincoln, Nebraska. The family moved to Albany, where her father was head of the legislative reference section of the New York State Library, and she graduated from the Albany Academy for Girls in 1930. Libby graduated magna cum laude from Bryn Mawr College in 1934. In 1940 she earned a Ph.D. in political science at Radcliffe/Harvard. At Harvard she met law student Joseph Baer Hyman. They married in 1938. Her husband Joe served in the Navy in the Pacific during World War II, then joined the staff of the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee before practicing law in Arlington until his death in 1996.

Following a fellowship at the Brookings Institution and research work at the Council on Foreign Relations, Mrs. Hyman was employed as a political analyst in the Bureau of Intelligence and Research at the State Department from 1946 to 1978. She authored works entitled "Congress Investigates Tin" Digest Press, American University Graduate School (1936); "Political Decolonization: the Philippines, Ceylon, Syria and the Lebanon, and Iraq" (Ph.D. diss. Radcliffe College, 1940); "Dollars in Latin America; an Old Problem in a New Setting", New York Council on Foreign Relations (1941) (co-author); "Soldiers in Politics: New Insights on Latin American Armed Forces", Political Science Quarterly, vol. LXXXVII, No. 3, (Sept. 1972); "A Church Militant: Scotland, 1661-1690", The Sixteenth Century Journal, vol. XXVI, No. 1 (Spring 1995); and "Hite v. Fairfax and the Case of Terrapin Neck", Magazine of the Jefferson County Historical Society, vol. LXII (Dec. 1996).

The Hymans lived in Alexandria and raised short-horn cattle at their farm in Shepherdstown, W.Va. They had no children. They are survived by their admiring nieces and nephews — Kenneth Hannan, Jr. and Ted Hannan of New York City, Vandy Hannan Walker of Bronxville, N.Y., William Hannan of San Francisco, Laura King Hannan Price of Dallas, Martha Watson Shaw of Boston, Ted Watson of Philadelphia, Susan Watson Perkinson of Akron, and Sandra Silberstein of Seattle.

Mrs. Hyman's many interests included reading, researching, gardening, and raising happy dogs in the city and in the country.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Sept. 29 at 11 a.m. in the chapel at Goodwin House West, 3440 South Jefferson Street, Falls Church. There will be a reception immediately following the service. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the Jefferson County Historical Society, the Hannan Scholarship at the Albany Academy for Girls, Bryn Mawr College, or the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Studies at Harvard University.

Paula Swift

A common belief is that Congressional wives do little but stand around looking on devotedly as their husbands give speeches. With few exceptions that is untrue. It was particularly not the case for Paula Swift, wife of eight-term Representative Al Swift (D-Wash.). She died suddenly of a heart



attack on Labor Day.

Mrs. Swift was the founding board chair of the House Child Care Center and served there for a decade. Starting with a blank sheet, she led the board in establishing all of the policies of the center, including the touchy issue of whether members' children should take a priority in getting into the center. The policy established was that the children of all employees of the House would be selected on a "first come, first serve" basis — from the speaker through the staff to the custodians. It was sometimes hard to enforce but Mrs. Swift always fought to preserve the principle.

Mrs. Swift formed a close bond with three other wives whose husbands were elected in 1978 and called themselves The Four Hearts.

Each had a major project like the Day Care Center and all helped each other. Mrs. Swift worked on many projects of The Congressional Club when her friend Doris Matsui was president.

Matsui is now, herself, a member of the House from Sacramento. Among other activities Swift worked on the annual First Lady's Luncheon sponsored by the group and helped edit its frequent Congressional Cookbooks.

Another one of the group, Carol Williams, wife of Pat Williams (D-Mont.) was executive director of Peace Links, an organization founded by Betty Bumpers, wife of Sen. Dale Bumpers (D-Ark.) to forge lines of communication between American women and women of the Soviet Union. When the USSR disappeared Peace Links declared victory and closed shop. Mrs. Swift worked on many of the group's projects including its annual fundraising dinner, dance and auction.

Sylvia Sabo, wife of Rep. Martin Sabo (D-Minn.), led projects in many areas always aided by the other "Hearts."

Mrs. Swift was a retired teacher, a mother of two girls, three grand-daughters and one great-grandson. She was 76 and had just celebrated her 56th wedding anniversary. Memorial services will be held on Saturday, Sept. 22 at 1 p.m. at the Everly-Wheatley Funeral Home, 1500 West Braddock Road, Alexandria.

There will also be a memorial service for her in Washington State at a later date.

James Warren Wright

James Warren Wright, 82 of Spotsylvania died on Saturday, Sept. 8, 2012. He was born and raised in Alexandria.

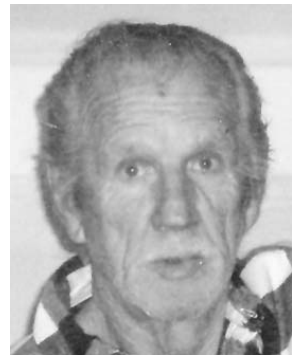
He was preceded in death by his parents, Ernest and Alice Margaret Wright; daughter Tara Wright; brothers, Ernest Wright, Glen Wright and Robert Wright.

He is survived by his grandson, Warren; two great grandchildren, Karmen and Cameron; brother Richard Wright and wife, Ann; nieces, Sharon, Dale, Chryl, Becky, Gloria Gean, Sue Ellen, Donna, Brenda, and Heather; nephews, Jack, Mickey, Walter, Glen, Richard and Robert; great nieces and nephews, Timmy, Ashley, Heather, Karen, Robert, and many more.

Also by a life long number of friends, Goat, Mikey, Herbert, Ricky, Billy, Laine, Ted, Tj and Marion.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Online condolences maybe sent at mullinthompsonfredericksburg.com



PEOPLE

At the Alexandria Festival of the Arts



Alexandra Malooley poses for a photo with TV celebrity Monte Durham ("Say Yes to the Dress, Atlanta") at the festival on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 9.



Hassan, Laura, Kenan and Everett Aidan greet friends Sgt. Tara May and Det. Victor Ignacio at the Festival.



Artist Larry Smith answers questions from visitors at the show.



A multimedia sculpture by Lisa Schumaier rises up in the foyer of the Torpedo Factory.

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THOUGHT WEDNESDAY/SEPT. 19

Seek Public Comment. The Alexandria Commission for the Arts invites the public to provide comment on a proposed mural for the outdoor gymnasium wall at the Mt. Vernon Recreation Center, 2701 Commonwealth Ave. The Del Ray Mural was created by local artists and children in the community during the 2010 Art on the Avenue as temporary public art project. All comments will be given to City Council in the fall when an extension is requested. Comments can be offered at the Mt. Vernon Recreation Center, in a notebook near the display, during normal operating hours, or by email to toaca@alexandriava.gov, with Del Ray Mural in the subject line. All comments received by Sept. 19 will be reviewed by the Alexandria Commission for the Arts. Call 703-746-5588 or email aca@alexandriava.gov.

Correction

In "TC, Inova Launch Project Search" (Gazette Packet, Sept. 6), the state agency, the Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services — incorrectly identified — funds Project Search programs throughout the Commonwealth. The agency's partnership with Inova Alexandria Hospital and T.C. Williams High School is the latest to join this state agency-funded program.

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Remembering Those Lost on Sept. 11

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On Sept. 11, 2001, 9:37:46 a.m., American Airlines Flight 77 crashed into the Pentagon. The Pentagon's on-site firehouse responded immediately to the crash. Firefighters from nearby Reagan National Airport and Arlington County Fire Department arrived within minutes.

One-hundred-and-eighty-four lives were lost at the Pentagon that day. Nearly 3,000 people died that day in the nearly simultaneous attacks in Arlington, New York and Pennsylvania. Since Sept. 11, 2001, more than 6,400 U.S. military service men and women have died in support of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The following list of people who lived in Connection Newspapers coverage area and died in the Sept. 11 2001 terrorist attacks, is compiled from multiple sources, including news reports, and is likely not complete. The Pentagon Memorial website offers photos and biographies of most people who died at the Pentagon. <http://pentagonmemorial.org/explore/biographies>.

- ❖ Spc. Craig Amundson, 28, Fort Belvoir, employed by U.S. Army, died in Pentagon
- ❖ Lt. Col. Canfield D. Boone, 54, Clifton, employed by U.S. Army, died in Pentagon
- ❖ Charles Burlingame, 51, Herndon, employed by American Airlines, died on AA Flight 77
- ❖ Rosa Maria Chapa, 64, Springfield, employed by Defense Intelligence Agency, died in Pentagon
- ❖ Eddie A. Dillard, Alexandria, employed by Philip Morris, died on AA Flight 77
- ❖ Capt. Robert Edward Dolan, 43, Alexandria, employed by U.S. Navy, died in Pentagon
- ❖ Charles A. Droz III, 52, Springfield, employed by EM Solutions Inc., died on AA Flight 77
- ❖ Gerald P. Fisher, 57, Potomac, Md., employed by Booz Allen Hamilton, died in Pentagon
- ❖ 1st Lt. (Ret.) Richard P. Gabriel Sr., 54, Great Falls, employed by Stratin Consulting, died on AA Flight 77
- ❖ Diane M. Hale-McKinzy, 38, Alexandria, employed by U.S. Army, died in Pentagon
- ❖ Stanley R. Hall, 68, Centreville, employed by Raytheon, died on AA Flight 77

- ❖ Brady K. Howell, 26, Arlington, employed by U.S. Navy, died in Pentagon
- ❖ Lt. Col. Stephen Neil Hyland Jr., 45, Burke, employed by U.S. Army, died in Pentagon

- ❖ Bryan C. Jack, 48, Alexandria, employed by Department of Defense, died on AA Flight 77

- ❖ Steven D. Jacoby, 43, Alexandria, employed by Metrocall, died on AA Flight 77

- ❖ Ann Judge, 49, Great Falls, employed by National Geographic Society, died on AA Flight 77

- ❖ Norma Cruz Khan, 45, Reston, Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors Assn., died on AA Flight 77

- ❖ Terence M. Lynch, 49, Alexandria, employed by Booz Allen Hamilton, died in Pentagon

- ❖ Ada L. Mason-Acker, 50, Springfield, employed by U.S. Army, died in Pentagon

- ❖ Lt. Gen. Timothy J. Maude, 53, Fort Myer, employed by U.S. Army, died in Pentagon

- ❖ Mark McGinly, 26, Vienna, employed by Carr Futures, died in World Trade Center

- ❖ Patricia E. Mickley, 41, Springfield, employed by Department of Defense, died in Pentagon

- ❖ Khang Ngoc Nguyen, 41, Fairfax, employed by Navy contractor, died in Pentagon

- ❖ Barbara K. Olson, 45, Great Falls, attorney, died on AA Flight 77

- ❖ Maj. Clifford L. Patterson Jr., 33, Alexandria, employed by U.S. Army, died in Pentagon

- ❖ Capt. Jack D. Punches, 51, Clifton, retired from U.S. Navy, died in Pentagon

- ❖ Lisa J. Raines, 42, Great Falls, employed by Genzyme Corp., died on AA Flight 77

- ❖ Todd H. Reuben, 40, Potomac, Md., attorney, died on AA Flight 77

- ❖ Charles E. Sabin, 54, Burke, employed by Department of Defense, died in Pentagon

- ❖ Marjorie C. Salamone, 53, Springfield, employed by U.S. Army, died in Pentagon

- ❖ Cmdr. Robert Allan Schlegel, 38, Alexandria, employed by U.S. Navy, died in Pentagon

- ❖ Mark E. Schurmeier, 44, McLean, employed by Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., died in World Trade Center

- ❖ Janice M. Scott, 46, Springfield, employed by U.S. Army, died in Pentagon

- ❖ Michael L. Selves, 53, Fairfax, employed by U.S. Army, died in Pentagon



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- ❖ Diane M. Simmons, Great Falls, died on AA Flight 77

- ❖ George W. Simmons, Great Falls, retired from Xerox, died on AA Flight 77

- ❖ Lt. Col. Gary F. Smith, 55, Alexandria, retired U.S. Army, died in Pentagon

- ❖ Norma Lang Steuerle, 54, Alexandria, died on AA Flight 77

- ❖ Lt. Col. Kip P. Taylor, 38, McLean, employed by U.S. Army, died in Pentagon

- ❖ Leonard E. Taylor, 44, Reston, employed by XonTech Inc., died on AA Flight 77

- ❖ Sandra C. Taylor, 50, Alexandria, employed by U.S. Army, died in Pentagon

- ❖ Sandra D. Teague, 31, Fairfax, employed by Georgetown University Hospital, died on AA Flight 77

- ❖ Karl W. Teepe, 57, Centreville, employed by Defense Information Agency, died in Pentagon

- ❖ Meta L. Waller, 60, Alexandria, employed by U.S. Army, died in Pentagon

- ❖ Ernest M. Willcher, 62, North Potomac, Md., employed by Booz-Allen Hamilton Inc. died in Pentagon

- ❖ Maj. Dwayne Williams, 40, Lorton, employed by U.S. Army, died in Pentagon

- ❖ Vicki C. Yancey, 43, Springfield, employed by Vredenburg Co., died on AA Flight 77.

headphones and start off on a run. There was no "are you OK?" or "can I call an ambulance", instead, just the sound of her shoes hitting the pavement as she disappeared onto the path.

One could argue that it would be unsafe for a woman to approach a man crouched in the grass next to a broken bike. He could be drunk or on drugs. But I being clearly immobile and in need of help, a distant offer would have given a sense of "not being alone." Several others would pass by (though none as close) before my wife arrived to take me to the emer

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Loss of 'Community' On Bike Paths

To the Editor:

Last week I took a hard fall on the bike path. At 5:45 a.m., as I entered the Mount Vernon bike path on my commute to the Pentagon, I misjudged the location of the ramp entrance and instead slammed into the curb. Though it was dark, I was equipped with proper lighting on front, back and helmet, reflective belt and eye protection to prevent and be prepared for possible mishaps. I had made this trek hun-

dreds of times, so making the entrance should have been easy.

The initial sensation was my full-body impact on the macadam as all breath was crushed from my lungs, and the pain of a broken the rib that resulted. I knew I had to get up and off the bike path and into the grass, as the morning rush of bicyclists, runners and walkers would soon pick up, and we didn't need another accident. But the pain was only made worse by what followed. As I struggled to move my broken bike off the path, audibly in pain, a car pulled in and parked within ten feet of me. The driver emerged, proceeded to put on her

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gency room. Though there are surely still examples where “good Samaritans” intervene, this was not one of those times.

Though a single incident, it reinforced my concern that we might be losing our “sense of community” on our bike paths (and by extension in our parks, trails, or anywhere where individuals recreate alone and may need the help of a stranger). Do we feel a sense of responsibility to help others who travel along our local bike paths? Are headphones “just for the music” or a “sign of separation”? Have we got so used to our “social media” that we’ve forgotten how to “socialize”? Or are we just too busy to take time for each other?

As a military family, we’ve been assigned to the D.C. area three times and consider ourselves “Alexandrians” by choice. Having commuted to work on this same path since 1993, what was most startling since our return this year was the reduction of camaraderie. Though the path had been smoothed and widened, the human interactions had become lessened and narrowed. In previous years, most passings included greetings like “on your left” or “passing”, with a response of “thanks” or a hand raise. Often, as you approached someone you could hear “enjoy your ride” or a head nod and a smile. Though we were all going to different places at different speeds, there was a sense of “togetherness” and “unity.” Today, greetings often go unanswered. The sense of unity seems to be evaporating, possibly by the increase in head phones, smart phones and texting. Listening to music on a run is great, but probably not the safest practice. One wonders, “can you hear me, or just choose not to respond?”

Whether on the battlefield and at home, American soldiers have a creed that says “I will never leave a fallen comrade.” Though initially just words, through shared experience they become inculcated. Could we regain a similar sense of “unity” by adopting an approach of concern, support and unity? I think it’s time to disconnect from the iPod and “reconnect” to each other. For me, I will do my small part by saying “hello”, “passing on your left”, or a nod to everyone I meet on the bike path; head phones or not, response or not. I will never pass a distressed traveler; I will seek them out to assist. I will always drive safely with the appropriate gear, and will pray for the safety of those who choose not

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- > Should hunters be allowed in our parks to exacerbate deer-vehicle collisions, which increase when deer flee in fear from danger?
- > Should we have to witness suffering, dying, or dead deer in our parks or surrounding neighborhoods?
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to. And I will always believe that should we meet on the bike path you will do the same for me, and together, we will reignite the “sense of community” along the way.

John Sims
 Alexandria

Historical Significance

To the Editor:

A few days ago, I returned from a Maryland location via Route 50 and then I 295 with its Wilson Bridge exit. I used to commute from Maryland on this route while the bridge and its access ramps were not yet finished. Even late at night in the dark and tired after a long work day, I had no problem finding the right exit because there were three official Maryland state road signs on 295 directing me to Alexandria. This time, there was one single sign left which I almost missed in bright daylight. Having eliminated the two other Alexandria signs, the state of Maryland now directs us to “National” Harbor instead, not a geographic location but a commercial establishment erected by a hotel chain. How did this get on Maryland state road signs? It appears to me that the democratic state of Maryland is colluding with the democratic Alexandria City Council in wiping off the map not only Alexandria as a geographic destination but also as one of the most historic places in the country. Our Old Town has been a National Historic Landmark since the 1960s, the prerequisite for becoming a UNESCO World Heritage Site. High density Alexandria waterfront development including hotels for potential gamblers would certainly help support Maryland’s commercial interests while wiping out what really matters — our in-

creasingly fragile monument to the history of our country. Now we have it on both sides of the Wilson Bridge — official bowing to commercialism while rapidly destroying the historical significance, beauty and charm of 18th-century America.

Ursula Weide
 Alexandria

Democracy Not Debatable

To the Editor:

Your coverage of the discussions about whether or not the two candidates running for the job as Mayor of the City of Alexandria should meet to debate is frustrating. The debate about whether to debate is not what many of the residents want to read about. We need to hear more about the vision that Andrew Macdonald and Mayor William Euille have for Alexandria. The city is a place that is easy to love but it is also an area that is struggling with land development, traffic, vacant businesses, education, and storm water/flooding. We are also a city struggling with how we make public decisions so that residents have meaningful access and input. The candidates for Mayor need to find the time to meet in public forums and discuss these and other topics before the election.

Those of us that live in the West End have had our share of surprises with the city’s decisions related to the BRAC project, second battle of Fort Ward, land use and traffic at dysfunction-junction, and the Beauregard Plan. In each case decisions have been made under the cover of darkness and in a ham-fisted way which makes many people cynical about our political leaders and civic engagement. Rather than spend time and money to send us political literature and speak in selected gather-

ings it would serve Alexandria well to be able for the public to listen to and ask questions of Mayor Euille and Mr. Macdonald. I don’t believe this part of our democratic process is debatable.

J. Glenn Eugster
 Alexandria

City Police Deserves Kudos

To the Editor:

Alexandria residents are fortunate to have an excellent police department in their midst comprised of professionals of the highest caliber. As skilled, educated, and knowledgeable practitioners who face myriad and complex situations in an ever-increasing dangerous world, the men and women who serve and protect the city of Alexandria excel in their craft.

As a criminal justice practitioner for many years and as an educator as well, I had the recent privilege and pleasure to ride along with Sgt. Nicholas Rugierro. I observed nothing but the best during the tour of duty. Every officer I encountered who responded to calls displayed the utmost professionalism, courtesy and respect to all they interfaced with. They were steadfast in their efforts to assist citizens and to respond to crisis calls and thwart crime in progress.

Most residents who go about their daily lives have little idea of how much the police endure in their world of work. It is not at all uncommon for them to be verbally abused and challenged in difficult and, oftentimes, tenuous situations. Moreover, when the police pull over a vehicle or appear on a scene, they never know, with certainty, what they are facing in terms of threats or lethal potential. With honor and pride, these police officers unhesitatingly put their lives on the line on a daily basis.

Sgt. Ruggiero, his crew, and the entire group of officers that comprise the Alexandria Police Department are an impressive group of law enforcement officers. They deserve appreciation and respect for all they do. It is my pleasure to extend to them, as the saying goes in law enforcement lingo, “Attaboys” and “Attagirls.” Congratulations to them all for a job superbly done.

Karen L. Bune
Karen L. Bune is an adjunct professor at Marymount University in Arlington where she teaches criminal justice.

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LETTERS

People's Role In Democracy

To the Editor:

Sept. 17 inaugurates Constitution Week; that document, adopted 225 years ago in 1787, established our federal republic and has been the model for the constitutions of many other nations. In that undertaking, Alexandrian George Washington was again the indispensable man. The conference he hosted at Mt. Vernon in 1785 set an example of how states could cooperate for their mutual benefit. (Maryland's boundary was the high water line of the Potomac on the Virginia side; Virginians got unlimited fishing rights on the river.) Delegates from five states met the following year at Annapolis for more successful discussions and problem-solving; that meeting was followed by the 1787 Constitutional Convention, whose purpose was to fix problems resulting from weaknesses in the Articles of Confederation. Washington was unanimously elected president of the Convention. The 55 delegates soon realized that they would have to make a clean break from that governing document, so, meeting in total secrecy from May to September, started the world's first peaceful revolution as they overthrew their previous form of government.

Despite Washington's strong urging, the adoption of the Constitution was not easy. States were reluctant to give up even the specifically enumerated powers. Having just fought against a strong government which had imposed its will from afar, they wanted to protect their freedoms by limiting the powers of any central government, even one on this continent. One of Washington's best friends and nearest neighbor, George Mason, who wrote the Virginia Declaration of Rights which served as the model for the Bill of Rights, refused to sign the Constitution because it lacked written specific protections for individual rights and allowed slavery to continue for 20 years. Note: The influence of Thomas Jefferson's Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom which provided for the separation of church and state can be seen in the First Amendment. Jefferson, our minister to France, was not at the Convention, but exchanged letters with friends in Philadelphia during the debates. Other prominent Virginians like Patrick Henry and Edmund Randolph opposed the Constitution in its original form, and the debate in the General Assembly was extended and lively until it was approved, 89-79. Thus Virginia was the 10th state, not the first (Delaware), to adopt it. Because Virginia was by far the largest, wealthiest, and most important state and located in the middle of the Atlantic coastal states, her ratification was essential to the success of the effort. In the end, the other states followed Virginia's example. Rhode Island, which had not sent delegates to the Convention, was the last to ratify, in 1790, after Washington had been President for more than a year.

All the states ratified the Constitution with provisions that they could withdraw if staying in the union was against their interests and contingent upon approval of a written Bill of Rights, which was ratified



Students attending the Constitution Day ceremony pose for a photo with Mayor Bill Euille. Pictured are: Cierra Brown, Natalia Pena, Thomas Watson, Bryan Membreno, Aaliyah Gaskins, My-Linh Aslanian, Amy Oliva, Kevin Rosales, Sophie Moniz, Janelle Krupicka, Alfonso Guzman, Aliyah Brown, Rebecca Walsh, Carlos Vasquez and Angelica Santiago of the Mount Vernon Elementary School; Anthony Cruz, Alexa Carmenates, Shamiah Scott, Michael Katsock, Daejah Moody, Max Callanan, Aklasia Assefa, Megan Perez, Darcy McIlwain and Orlando Clarkson of Samuel Tucker Elementary School. Representing Lyles Crouch Traditional Academy were Foster Belevetz, Lauren Beale, Will Edwards, Tobias Kargho, Emily Portelance, Max Schropp, Kwame Bolton, Allie LaBarbera, Elodie Camus, Malcolm Kerr, Fred Jenkins, Yeb Simie, Sumayah Mustafa and Lydia Greenwood. Standing in the back behind the students are City Attorney James Banks, ACPS Board Chair Sherly Gorsuch, Councilmembers Frank Fannon and Rob Krupicka.

City Celebrates 225th Anniversary Of U.S. Constitution

Mayor Euille presented an official proclamation to Linda Greenberg, a member of the John Alexander Chapter of the DAR commemorating Constitution Week, Sept. 17 – 23, in Council Chambers in City Hall.

Participating in the event were students from Mt. Vernon and Samuel W. Tucker Elementary Schools and Lyles-Crouch Traditional Academy and Fort Hunt Elementary School, as well as School Board Chair Sheryl Gorsuch, City Council members Frank Fannon, Rob Krupicka and City Attorney James Banks and members from the John Alexander,

Kate Waller Barrett, Mt. Vernon, Pentagon, Henry Clay, Nelly Custis, and Thomas Nelson Chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR).

Virginia played a pivotal role in the writing of the Constitution. James Madison and George Mason shaped the Virginia Declaration of Rights and the Virginia State Constitution, and Thomas Jefferson referred to these documents when he finalized the Constitution of the United States. All three focused on self-government by the people, on the inalienable rights of individuals, and the importance of law in protecting those rights.



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on Dec. 15, 1791. Virginian James Madison has been called the "Father of the Constitution", a title earned by his prominent participation in the Philadelphia debates, his role as unofficial secretary of the Convention, and his tireless efforts in ensuring the adoption of the Constitution by the various states. He and John Blair, later an associate Supreme Court justice, were the two Virginia signers.

The Constitution established a federal republic, not a democracy. An important difference is that in a democracy, the majority rules absolutely. However, our Constitution protects the rights of the minority from the more powerful majority. Our federal republic has a representative form of government; our elected representatives, not the people directly, pass the laws. However, there are limits on their powers. They

cannot abridge our individual freedoms and rights protected under the Constitution's Bill of Rights, nor may they pass laws beyond the limits imposed by the Constitution. Also, because of the Constitution's system of checks and balances, the laws they pass must be signed by the President in order to become law. People may challenge those laws in court if they believe their rights have been violated. The laws apply to all equally; the most powerful are subject to the same laws as the least. Because the laws are written, we know what they are. This is what the signers intended; part of today's political debates is how elastic the Constitution's provisions should be.

We can appropriately celebrate Constitution Week by rereading that document, flying the American and Virginia flags and becoming informed voters. In November, we

will fill lots of offices at the national, state and local levels and decide about proposed amendments to our Virginia Constitution. We the People must play an active role to ensure that we make thoughtful choices, mindful of their effects now and in the future.

Ellen Latane Tabb
Alexandria

'Demolition By Neglect'

To the Editor:

The Yacht Basin within Windmill Hill Park is decaying at a rapid rate. It is the second

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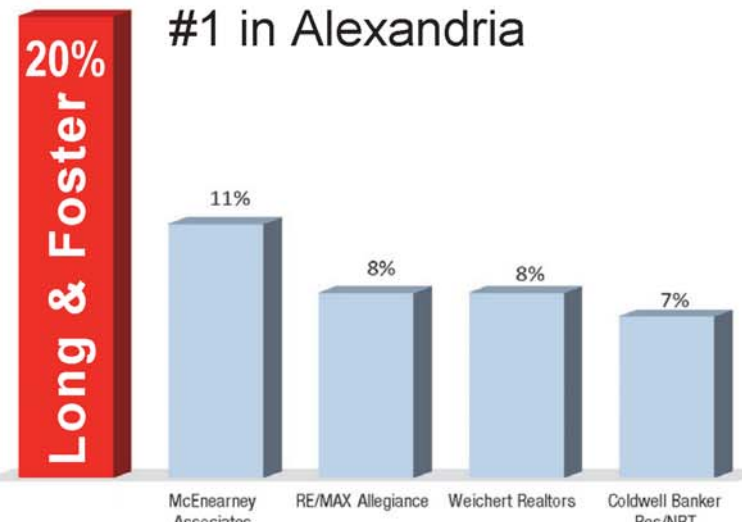


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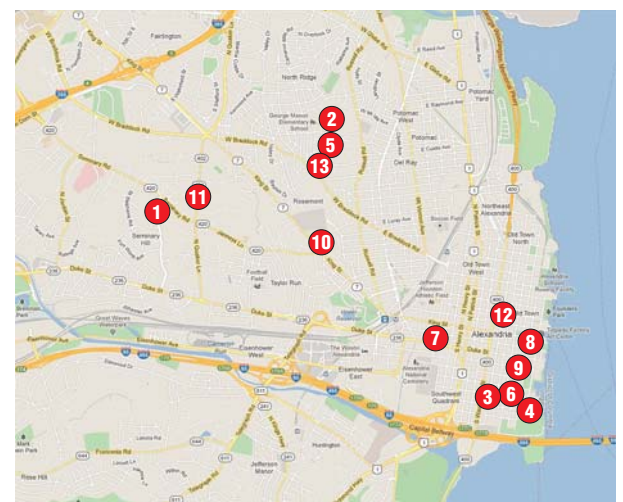
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3 632 PITT ST	4	4	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$1,415,000	Townhouse	0.06	22314	OLD TOWN	07/13/12
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5 405 WOODLAND TER	4	3	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$1,315,000	Detached	0.19	22302	JEFFERSON PARK	07/12/12
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Home LifeStyle

Uncorking the Possibilities

Local builders say wine storage options are almost limitless.

By MARILYN CAMPBELL
GAZETTE PACKET

From those who sip an occasional glass of Chianti with friends to enthusiastic oenophiles, the notion of owning a wine cellar is fascinating to many people. In fact, a recent U.S. Luxury-Home Market survey by Wine Trends, a wine-consulting firm, showed that 67 percent of respondents were interested in incorporating wine storage into their homes.

Local designers say they are now catering to a new breed of wine collector and are creating cellars equipped with perks ranging from full kitchen and dining spaces to rare art and LED lighting. Jason Kirkpatrick, of Kirkpatrick's Construction in Centreville, says creative options are virtually boundless.

"With wine cellar design, the sky is the limit. In fact, the sky is actually the starting point," he said. "There are so many neat things that you can do with architecture, racking and lighting. You can turn a relatively small space into a gorgeous wine cellar."

DESIGNERS SAY that when planning a wine cellar, there are a few basic factors to consider.

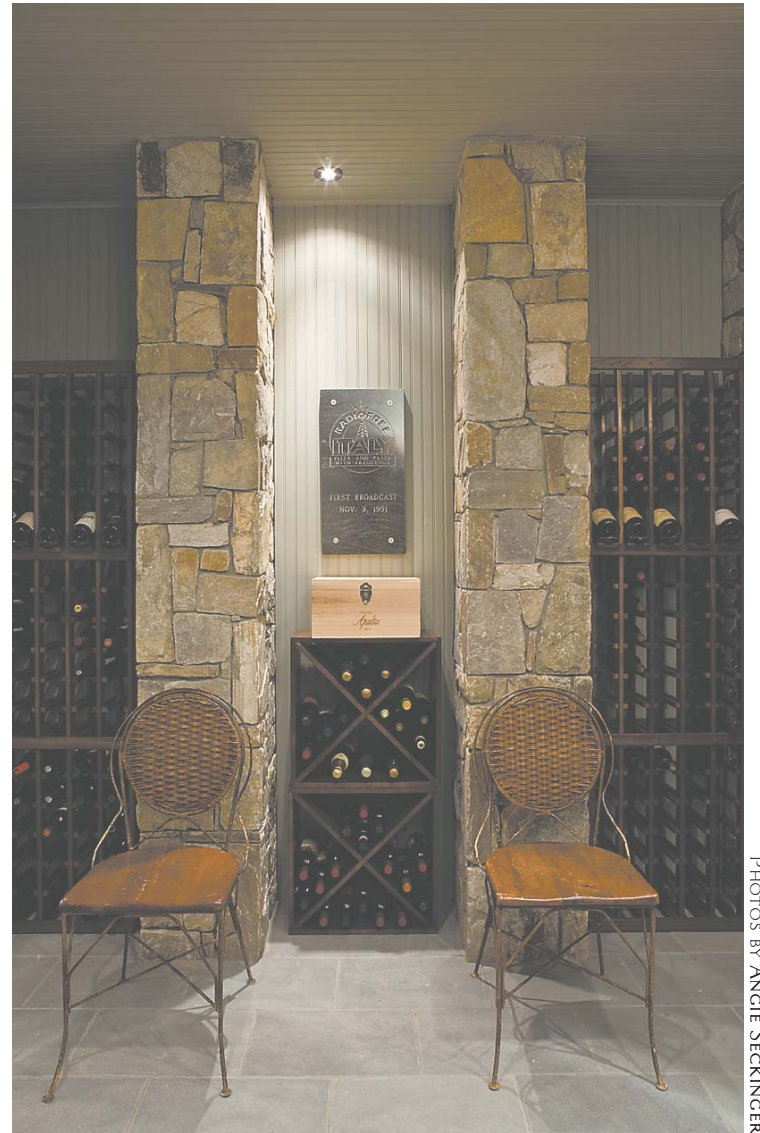
The first item that those who want to build a wine cellar should think about is a system of organization. "You have to not only think about how many bottles you have in your collection, but also how much you think your collection will grow over the next

five to 10 years," said Kirkpatrick, who lives in Clifton. "You don't want to make this kind of investment

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The wine cellar in this McLean home opens to the adjacent billiard room. Designers say homeowners should create a style for the cellar that is consistent with the rest of the home.



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Jason Kirkpatrick of Centreville-based Kirkpatrick's Construction won a Contractor of the Year Award from the National Association of the Remodeling Industry for a McLean project that included a wine cellar with a tasting area.

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Home Life Style

Variety of Options for Wine Storage

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in your home and then a year or two later say, 'Gosh, we need to make an addition onto our wine cellar.'"

Local interior designer Marika Meyer of Marika Meyer Interiors says homeowners should create a style for the cellar that will be consistent with the rest of the home, something she and the design team did when creating the cellar in a McLean home.

"We ... developed a sophisticated space that was reflective of the home and the collection," she said. "For example, the flooring is the same slate that is used in the exterior patio. We wanted to use the cherry cabinet that is featured in the center of the two front columns, so we designed the room around this piece. Each stone column was designed to work around the room based on the proportion established by this piece of furniture. We also wanted the space to feel open to the billiard room, which is attached. To that end, we widened the door enclosure and added side-lights to make the space open."

HOW THE SPACE WILL BE used is another important consideration. "Are you planning to use it for strictly for utilitarian storage or would you like for there to be a space for entertaining in it as well?" said Kirkpatrick, who won a Contractor of the Year Award from the National Association of the Remodeling Industry for a McLean project that included a wine cellar with a tasting area. "Which do you drink more of: White or red? Do you prefer large format bottles or standard-sized bottles?"

Designers say the style and features of the rest of the home should be factored into the cellar's design: "What are the spaces that are adjacent to the wine cellar? You can incorporate them into the design for a better flow," said Kirkpatrick.

Kirkpatrick says he integrated a wine bar into the design of a south Arlington kitchen during a recent renovation. "We used interesting frosted glass cabinets and really designed the space for wine tasting, there was even a space for tasting cheese or chocolate. The plan was integrated into the design of the kitchen and the whole space flowed."

When remodeling a kitchen in Alexandria, Kirkpatrick created two spaces for wine. "We used open storage where wine can be stored for easy accessibility and built-in wine storage under the cabinets. But one of the most cost-effective things you can do is to buy a glass-front refrigerator that is specifically designed for holding wine with so you can display the wine nicely," said Kirkpatrick.

In fact, Potomac, Md.-based designer Susan Matus of Case Design/ Remodeling says that there are budget-friendly options for wine storage. "[Kitchen] cabinet-makers are now making cabinets that incorporate wine storage in base cabinets or wall cabinets. There are also wine refrigerators that have two cooling zones that are appropriate for red and white wine, but are not outrageous in terms of price."

According to National Association of the Remodeling Industry spokesperson Nikki Golden, "Wine cellars are still very popular for people to put into their home during a remodel."

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Tres Bien!

'Jacques Brel' comes to life at MetroStage.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN
GAZETTE PACKET

Though he was Belgian by birth, no one captured the spirit of the French troubadour tradition better than Jacques Brel, whose potent mixture of musical romanticism, cynicism and whimsy are brought to life in "Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris," now playing at MetroStage in Alexandria.

With an explosive cast of four, "Jacques Brel" delivers an enthralling evening of entertainment featuring the works of Brel augmented by material from Eric Blau and Mort Shuman in a revival of the award-winning Off-Broadway production.

Director Serge Seiden has cast four exceptional performers as capable of acting the quintessentially French songs as of singing them: Natascia Diaz, Sam Ludwig, Bobby Jones and Bayla Whitten.

Diaz, who received the 2009 Best Actress Helen Hayes Award (in a tie with theater legend Chita Rivera) for her MetroStage performance in "ROOMS, a Rock Romance," returns to the "Jacques Brel" role she captivated audiences with Off-Broadway in 2006. She gives a stirring performance of songs ranging from the heart wrenching "Ne Me Quitte Pas" to the powerful "Marieke."

Ludwig, Smith and Whitten are equally as gifted, each taking command of the stage during vignettes that bring luster to Brel's lyrics. Smith's comedic talents are evident when delivering the hilarious "Middle Class" and cavorting in the bawdy "Amsterdam," while the formidable presence of Ludwig

shines in the dramatic "Next," a shattering performance of a young soldier preparing for war.

Making her MetroStage debut is Whitten, whose lyric soprano savors each note from "I Loved" to "Not Alone." Along with Smith and Ludwig, she is cleverly captivating in the story of "Timid Frieda."

IN TRUE CABARET tradition, the show moves along without a plot, unified by the eloquent set design of Daniel Pinha, breathtaking lighting effects by Jessica Winfield and striking costumes by Janine Sunday.

Signature Theatre's Associate Artistic Director Matthew Gardiner provides the choreography and music director Jenny Cartney (keyboards) leads the superb four-member onstage band of David Cole (guitar), Greg Holloway (percussion) and Yusef Chisolm (bass).

The ensemble comes together to capture the exhilaration of a carnival in "Carousel" and closes the show with Brel's signature "If We Only Have Love."

When the original Off-Broadway production of "Jacques Brel" opened in Greenwich Village in 1968, the composer was indeed alive and well and living in Paris. At the time, American audiences were familiar with his few songs that were successful as English translations, such as "Le Moribond," a hit for Rod McKuen as "Seasons in the Sun." In this must-see MetroStage production, Artistic Director Carolyn Griffin introduces a new generation to the power and passion that is the incomparable music of Jacques Brel.

"Jacques Brel Is Alive and Well and Living in Paris" is playing now through Oct. 21 at MetroStage, 1201 N. Royal St., Alexandria. For tickets or more information, call 703-548-9044 or visit www.metrostage.org.



PHOTOS BY CHRIS BANKS

Bobby Smith, Sam Ludwig, Bayla Whitten and Natascia Diaz in MetroStage's "Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris."



Natascia Diaz



Bobby Smith

CALENDAR

E-mail announcements to gazette@connectionnewspapers.com. Photos and artwork are encouraged. Deadline is Thursday at noon.

THURSDAY/SEPT. 13

Target Gallery Celebrates 25 Years Reception. 6-8 p.m.; juror talk with J.W. Mahoney at 7 p.m.. Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Visit <http://www.torpedofactory.org/target> or www.torpedofactory.org/target.
Second Thursday Music: Dead Men's Hollow. 7 p.m. \$10. At the Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Visit www.deadmenshollow.com. Tickets are available online at nvfaa.org or at the door.

FRIDAY/SEPT. 14

Spoken Word. 7 p.m. The Northern Virginia Fine Arts Society (NVFAA) is pleased to announce the next four scheduled SLAM ALEXANDRIA spoken word poetry events at the Athenaeum in Old Town. Admission is free for all, but attendees interested in competing in the poetry slam can pay an entry fee of \$10 for a chance to win a \$100 cash prize.

Featuring live music, scheduled artists, and an open mic, SLAM ALEXANDRIA is hosted by Shelly Bell and co-sponsored by the NVFAA and Shelly B. Arts. At The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St.

Green Spring Gardens. Basic Gardening: Grow Great Grub. 4603 Green Spring Rd. Code: 290 486 0001. 1:30-2:30 p.m. \$10. Planting a fall vegetable garden will extend the gardening season so you can continue to harvest fresh produce. Master Gardeners show you how. Register on-line at www.greenspring.org or call Green Spring Gardens at 703-642-5173.

New Birchmere shows will go on sale. Noon through Ticketmaster.com. or call 800-745-3000. The Birchmere Box Office is open from 5-9 p.m. any night of a show. Bill Kirchen & Too much fun with special guest Dale Watson.

Dale Watson Concert. 7:30 p.m. Dale Watson plays a concert in celebration of his new single "Daughter's Wedding Song." The Birchmere, 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave. \$29.5. Call 703-549-7500, or visit www.birchmere.com.

Wee Ones Storytime. 10:30-11 a.m. Explore the exciting world with some children's favorite stories and songs.

Ages 2 and under. Free. Hooray for Books! Children's Bookstore, 1555 King St. Call 703-548-4092 or visit www.hooray4books.com.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 15

Green Spring Gardens. Gardening with Succulents. 4603 Green Spring Rd. Code: 290 485 5801. 9:30-11:30 a.m. \$22. Succulents, with their striking forms and unusual colors, are easy and fun houseplants. Growing tips, cultivar selection and design uses will be discussed by Green Spring gardener, Judy Zatsick. Register on-line at www.greenspring.org or call Green Spring Gardens at 703-642-5173.

Green Spring Gardens. Gardens of Washington Lecture and Booksigning. 4603 Green Spring Rd. Code: 290 483 1101. 1-2 p.m. \$18. Come to Green Spring to join Barbara Glickman, an avid and active member of the D.C. gardening community and author of the recently published Capital Splendor, Gardens and Parks of Washington, D.C. as she shares the history and beauty of Washington gardens. Book-signing and light

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Alexandria Story Festival

Alexandria Story Festival will take place on Saturday, Sept. 15 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at T.C. Williams High School. This free festival, for students in grades pre-K to high school, brings authors to Alexandria to read to children and to sign books. Raffle prizes and hands-on activities will round out the experience for families. Visit www.alexstoryfest.com.



ENTERTAINMENT

'Funny Money'

Laughs to bank on
at Little Theatre.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN
GAZETTE PACKET

It's another routine day at the office when Henry Perkins heads home from work thinking his briefcase contains paperwork and a half-eaten cheese and chutney sandwich. But when he discovers a stash of cash, the hilarious hijinks begin in the Ray Cooney comedy "Funny Money," at The Little Theatre of Alexandria.

The rapid-fire British farce about mistaken identity tells the tale of Henry, a London accountant who discovers 735,000 pounds in a briefcase he mistakenly picked up on his way home from work. A stop at a local pub to contemplate his next move leads to one small lie that quickly snowballs into a complicated puzzle of imaginary relatives and compromising situations.

Director Shawn g. Byers has culled together a superb cast featuring Erik Harrison as Henry, Charlene Sloan as his teetotaling wife Jean, Gayle Nichols-Grimes and Ted Culler as Betty and Vic Johnson, Larry Grey as Inspector Davenport and John

Shackleford as taxi driver Bill.

Each sails through the tongue-twisting dialogue and physical slapstick with aplomb, providing plenty of laugh-out-loud moments as Henry attempts to convince Jean to immediately jet off to Barcelona and leave their old life behind.

Harrison plays ringleader Henry with perfect comedic timing that is especially priceless in his near-end recap of the madcap plot. As Jean, Sloan brilliantly deteriorates from controlled Stepford-wife decorum into a wife-swapping drunken stupor.

Henry and Jean get support from their friends Vic and Betty Johnson, played to Fred-and-Ethel-Mertz perfection by Culler and Nichols-Grimes. As Betty, Nichols-Grimes draws some of the evening's biggest laughs as she eagerly jumps into the escalating drama. Culler is spot on as the straight man, a puzzled Vic who's always a few minutes behind.

Police detectives Davenport (Grey) and Slater (Marisa Johnson) add to the general confusion. Grey especially makes an endearing crooked cop who pockets cash for turning a blind eye to the hanky panky.

The laughs would be fewer without the considerable talents of Shackleford's exasperated taxi driver Bill. Don't be fooled: in true Shackleford fashion, he knows more



PHOTOS BY DOUG OLIMSTED

Michael Metz (Passer-by), Charlene Sloan (Jean Perkins), and Gayle Nichols-Grimes (Betty Johnson) in The Little Theatre of Alexandria's "Funny Money."

than you think.

"Funny Money" shines with a quality cast and crew that rise to the challenge of the cleverly-penned misadventure. Don't think too hard, just relish the delightful humor that kicks off the 2012-2013 LTA season.

"Funny Money" is playing now through Sept. 29 at The Little Theatre of Alexandria, 600 Wolfe St. For tickets or more information, call 703-683-0496 or visit www.thelittletheatre.com.



Erik Harrison (Henry Perkins) and John Shackleford (Bill)

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Carlyle House Fashion Show. 10:30 a.m. - noon. Enjoy a morning of high fashion - from the past. Admission: \$10 for adults, \$5 for children. Carlyle House, 121 N. Fairfax St. Call 703-549-2997 or e-mail carlyle@nvrpa.org.

The City of Alexandria's Seventh Annual Doggie Day Swim. 3-7 p.m. at the Old Town Pool, 1609 Cameron St. This annual event provides dogs with the opportunity to swim and play games. Free. Register Online - activity number 140950. Visit alexandriava.gov/Pool or call the Chinquapin Park Recreation Center at 703-746-5435.

Wee Ones Storytime. 10:30-11 a.m. Explore the exciting world with some children's favorite stories and songs. Ages 2 and under. Free. Hooray for Books! Children's Bookstore, 1555 King St. Call 703-548-4092 or visit www.hooray4books.com.

Alexandria Story Festival. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Interact with some favorite authors and check out games and activities for the whole family. Located at TC Williams High School, 3330 King St. Visit wrighttoread.org/alexandria-story-festival.html. All ages. Free.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 16

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

Green Spring Gardens. Tea at Downton Abbey. 4603 Green Spring Rd. 1-3 p.m. \$27. The spellbinding "Downton Abbey" portrays the intertwined lives of Edwardian aristocrats and their servants during a period of changing world order. Hear about life upstairs and downstairs at Downton. Call Historic Green Spring at 703-941-7987 to register.

Music Benefit. Tenth Avenue North's concert will support Rising Hope Mission Church in Mount Vernon—a church that serves the homeless, economically disadvantaged and those in recovery. At 14640 Potomac Mills Rd, Woodbridge. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Tickets available at www.itickets.com/events/287540/Woodbridge.

Free Concert. 3 p.m. Enjoy an afternoon of music of violin at Chamber Players Concert, the Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. Call the United States Air Force Band's Concert Line at 202-767-5658 or visit www.usafband.af.mil

Free Concert. 7:30 p.m. The D.C.-based Valenzano Trio will perform "20th Century Music for String Trio" at the Mount Vernon Unitarian Church, Hollin Hall, 1909 Windmill Ln. This concert is one of an occasional series presented as fundraisers for the music program at MVUC. Donations are Welcome.

Bridal Showcase. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Simply Couture Bridal Showcase will be held at the Crowne Plaza Old Town Alexandria. 901 N Fairfax St. There will be a wide variety of vendors on hand to help with every aspect of planning the big day. Free. Brides and guests are encouraged to register through the website to be eligible to win door prizes and more. Visit www.simplycouturebridalshowcase.com or call 703-829-5516.

Jazz Concert. Anna Mwalagho and the Afroloetry Band will perform at Meade Church, 322 N Alfred St. Donation is \$15. Light refreshments

Flea Market Find: Renoir for Sale at Potomack Company Auction

An auction house can never anticipate what might come through the door. Elizabeth Haynie Wainstein, owner of The Potomack Company, announced that a Virginia woman's flea market find — a lost Renoir painting the auction house recently revealed — will be for sale at the gallery's Sept. 29 catalogue auction.



The Potomack Company's fine arts specialist, Anne Norton Craner, determined that the painting, which had been purchased along with a box of random items in the Shenandoah Valley, was actually a work by Pierre-Auguste Renoir worth many times more than its purchase price. Her investigation confirmed the painting as *Paysage Bords de Seine*, one of Renoir's many river scenes painted along the Seine River near the towns of Bougival and Chatou. The gallery estimates *Paysage Bords de Seine* will sell for \$75,000-\$100,000.

Further information about The Potomack Company's Sept. 29-30 catalogue auction is at www.potomackcompany.com or 703-684-4550. The Potomack Company is a fine arts and antiques auction gallery located at 526 North Fayette Street in Alexandria, Virginia.

will be served, and parking is available in the church's lot and on the street.

Talk Like a Pirate Storytime. 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Celebrate Talk Like a Pirate Day with two rip-roaring story times for aspiring swashbucklers. Wear a pirate costume to the event. Ages 6 and under. Free. Hooray for Books! Children's Bookstore, 1555 King St. Call 703-548-4092 or visit www.hooray4books.com.

TUESDAY/SEPT. 18

Mount Vernon Genealogical Society Meeting. Room 112 of the Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road, Alexandria. 1:00 pm. Free and open to the public. The presentation "Solving Problems with Tax Records" will focus on what information can be found in tax lists when other sources fail. Visit www.MVGenealogy.org.

Jeff Carmella Band. 9-11 p.m. The band draws their musical influences and inspiration from American roots, rock, surf, jazz, swing, blues, and rhythm and blues, performing at The Carlyle Club, 411 John Carlyle St. \$10. Visit thecarlyleclub.com or call 703-548-5953.

Potomac Conservancy's 2012 Benefit. 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. At River Farm, 7931 East Boulevard Dr. Special guest Alexandra Cousteau, will be honored for her global leadership on water quality and environmental policy. Dress Attire: Cocktail Blue. Tickets are \$250 per person (\$175 tax deductible). Purchase tickets by visiting www.potomac.org.

WEDNESDAY/SEPT. 19

TODD SNIDER at the Birchmere. \$25. Visit www.toddsnyder.net/ or www.Birchmere.com.

Swing Speak. 9-11 p.m. The group has a musical range of 1930s and 1940s, American jazz, Latin, and rhythm & blues. They will perform at Nick's

Nightclub, 642 S. Pickett St. \$10. Visit nicksnightclub.com or call 703-751-8900.

THURSDAY/SEPT. 20

Lecture. 7 p.m. "From Private to Public: New Uses for Wright Houses." The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. \$15 (\$10 National Trust Members). Call 703-780-4000 ext. 26327. Thursdays through Mondays only. Advance purchase recommended. Limited ticket sales at door.

Author Series. 10:45 a.m. Barbara Glickman will talk about her new book, *Capital Splendor*. Free. Plymouth Haven Baptist Church, Fellowship Hall, 8532 Fort Hunt Rd. Call 703-549-4245.

FRIDAY/SEPT. 21

Joe Pug (Solo) to open for John Hiatt & The Combo at the Birchmere. Visit birchmere.com.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 22

Green Spring Gardens. Fall Garden Day. 4603 Green Spring Rd. No reservations required. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Free. More than 25 plant and craft vendors descend on Green Spring Gardens to fill your fall gardening needs. Call Green Spring Gardens at 703-642-5173.

Matinee Film. 2 p.m. The Contender (R). The Charles E. Beatley Central Library, 5005 Duke St. Visit www.alexandria.lib.va.us or call 703-746-1702. Free, open to the public.

Colonial Market & Fair. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Over forty juried artisans from across the nation will demonstrate their trades and sell their wares while two stages of family entertainment delight audiences with 18th-century amusements. Free Potomac River sightseeing cruises and fresh chocolate sampling. Admission: adults, \$15; youth, 6-11 \$7; children 5 and under, free. At the Mt. Vernon Estate. Visit mountvernon.org.

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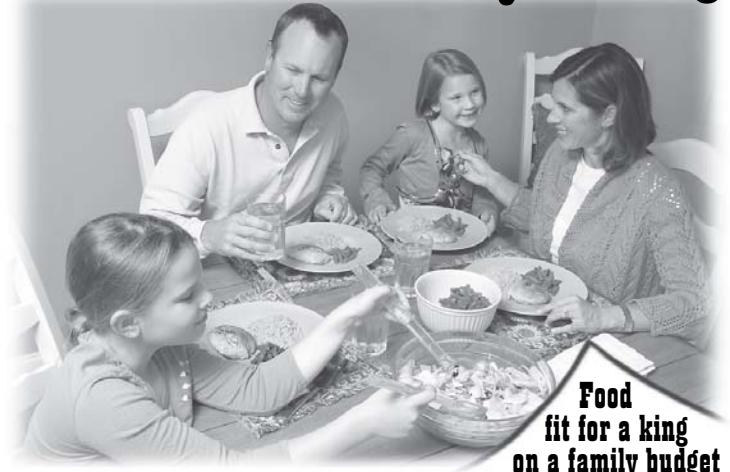
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Three Candidates Line Up Against Moran

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we ought to be.”

IN THE LAST election, Republican Patrick Murray was able to score about 37 percent against Moran, who won with a solid 61 percent of the vote. This year, Murray is hoping to improve on that performance. If elected, Murray said that he would try to balance the budget by reforming entitlement programs. Specifically, he said, he would raise the age of eligibility for Social Security from 67 to 70 and implement a system of means testing.

“I’m proud of picking Mitt Romney for picking Paul Ryan because we want to rescue Medicare and Social Security,” said Murray. “If you ask anybody under 40 years old if they think they are going to have Social Security or Medicare, they laugh because they know they are not going to under the current system.” Another priority for Murray would be to repeal the Affordable Care Act, which Murray said is a drain on small businesses. Murray sees overturning the landmark health-care act as a way to help the economy because he said small businesses would hire more employees, which would reduce unemployment. The Republican candidate also said he wants to extend the controversial Keystone XL pipeline and expand drilling for oil off the coast of Virginia.

“We need to pursue more of our own natural resources,” said Murray. “To me, that’s a huge no-brainer.”

IN ADDITION to the Democrat and Republican, voters will also have an independent and an Independent Green candidate to choose from. The independent candidate is Jason Howell, author of the 2011 book “America: Still the Land of Opportunity.” Howell said the inspiration for the book came from his experiences as recruiter working during the economic collapse in 2009. If elected, Howell said he would revise the Dodd-Frank Act so small and regional banks do not have to meet as many compliance rules as large banks. He said the details of how that would work have yet to be worked out.

“I don’t have all of that written out,” said Howell. “But we know what a regional bank is. We just have to write it out.”

Howell said he would also work to reduce the level of paperwork that is needed for small companies to go public. Like the banking reform, Howell says that many of the reforms instituted after the 2009 economic crash don’t make enough distinctions between big businesses that created the problem and smaller businesses that might be unnecessarily stifled by new regulations. He said he would also like to become a champion for telecommuting among federal agencies, using the Patent and Trademark

Office as an example that should be followed by the rest of the federal government.

“Somebody needs to be a spokesman for telecommuting policy,” said Howell. “I want to be that spokesman.”

INDEPENDENT GREEN candidate Janet Murphy offers yet another perspective to the ballot. Like many of her colleagues in the Independent Green movement, Murphy believes voters should have choices beyond the two major parties.

That’s why she’s spent the last few months getting several third-party candidates on the presidential ballot, including Green Party Jill Stein, Libertarian Party Gary Johnson and Constitution Party candidate Virgil Goode. Now that the ballot qualification is over, Murphy is turning her attention elsewhere. “I need a job,” said Murphy. “I don’t have one.”

If elected, Howell said she would work to reopen the investigation into 9/11 because she feels the official story has a number of discrepancies. She said she would also work to repeal the Patriot Act, which she said was unnecessary and encourages an abuse of the justice system. Howell would also ban mountaintop removal mining, which she says is dangerous to the environment.

“It’s so egregiously bad, and they keep on doing it,” said Murphy. “They work around the EPA rules, and it’s very corrupt.”

Funn

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A native of Alexandria, Funn was born into a segregated society in 1932. For many years, he carried around his ragged 7th grade textbook from Lyles Crouch Elementary School to show people what life in the Jim Crow South was like. The book included a passage that explained “life among the Negroes of Virginia in slavery times was generally happy.” That book later launched his career as a civil rights activist when he was asked to teach from the same textbook in 1957. “He fought to change what was taught to African American students,” said Alexandria Black History Museum curator Audrey Davis in a 2008 interview. “Often using his own money, he purchased supplemental materials for his students.”

Over the years, he began collecting African-American memorabilia into a travelling exhibit that he called the National/International Cultural Exhibits — known by the acronym NICE. The exhibit has been shown more than 500 times to school and community groups in 12 states over the past 50 years. In the classroom, Funn was known for making sure his students were well dressed, with pressed pants and shoes that had been shined.

“I guess to be a legend means to be around before your time,” Funn said in a 2008 interview. “If I have one, my legacy is the fact that we have come a long ways, and have a long ways to go. I want us to respect people of all races and give them the credit that they are due.”

He is survived by a son, Carlton Funn Jr. of San Leandro, Calif., a daughter, Tracye Funn of Clinton, Md., a son, Marc Funn of Alexandria, a sister, Mattie Funn Hopkins of Accokeek, Md., a brother, Charles Funn of Accokeek, Md., three grandchildren, Mia Funn of San Jose, Calif., Earl Carter Jr. of Clinton, Md., and Marcus Funn of San Leandro, Calif., as well as a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.

NEIGHBORHOODS

Seminary Valley

School is back in full swing, and all three of our local schools are bursting with students. Hammond Middle Schools 1, 2 and 3 started off the new school year with 454, 453 and 493, respectively. Polk Elementary has enrolled 642 students, and 586 students attend Patrick Henry. Remember to keep an eye out for the children as they walk to school; although some of the kids ride buses, many of our neighbors walk or ride their bikes to school, and they are often accompanied by parents and siblings.

Many of us are aspiring gardeners, and the heat of the past few months has led me to conclude that I may need to re-

think the types of plants I use in my landscaping. Both Hammond and Polk have substantially revamped their “curb appeal” as they have gone through renovations, and ACPS and the City of Alexandria has taken great pains to install native plants and grasses that need minimal watering and upkeep. A partial list of plants and shrubs, most of which are native, include: switchgrass, blackeyed Susans, Knockout roses, inkberry, winterberry, sungold cypress, abelia, cottoneaster, purpleleaf, sandcherry and native sweetpire. Large boulders are used to enhance drainage and add visual interest.

It would not be a proper September column if I did not include the usual information on grocery store card programs that benefit our schools. You can register your

Giant, Safeway and Harris Teeter card to benefit any number of schools right in the store or online. Even better, send your card information to Marianne Hetzer at marianne.hetzer@bsvca.net and she will happily register your cards for you!

A few dates to keep in mind: the Annual Mile-Long Yard Sale is fast approaching, kicking off at 8:30 a.m. on Sept. 22. Come out to the new playground at Holmes Run and Ripley Street for the Playdate Kickoff on Sept. 25 at 5 p.m. Don’t forget to come to the BSVCA meeting on Oct. 9; we elect officers and at-large representatives at this important meeting.

— MIA JONES

SCHOOL NOTES

Send announcements to the Alexandria Gazette Packet, by e-mail to gazette@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Thursday at noon for the following week’s paper. Photos are encouraged.

T.C. Williams High School Band Tag Days are Sept. 29 and Nov. 3, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. The main fundraisers supporting the T.C. Williams bands. Uniformed band members will visit homes throughout the city to request donations to fund equipment and uniform purchases and maintenance, lesson scholarships, competition fees and other band expenses.

Virginia Community College welcomed several new faculty members for the fall 2012 semester, including a NOVA graduate, **Ousmane A. Diall** of Alexandria, who was assistant professor of mathematics and supervisor of the Woodbridge Campus Master Math Lab during the last academic year. He brings teaching experience from the Community College of Philadelphia, LaGuardia (N.Y.) Community College, Virginia Tech and George Mason University. He earned a master’s degree in mathematics at Virginia Tech and another master’s degree in statistical science at George Mason.

On Thursday, Sept. 13, **Karen Leggett Abouraya and Susan L.**

Roth will celebrate the publication of Hands Around the Library, one of the first children’s books about the Egyptian revolution, at Burgundy Farm Country Day School. Beginning at 9 a.m., Abouraya and Roth will meet with Burgundy students in Junior Kindergarten through fifth Grade to discuss the book. At 7:30 p.m., they will share their book with a wider community during a public book launch party held at Burgundy. Visitors may view the original illustrations from the book, listen to celebratory music, hear Abouraya and Roth speaking about the book’s creation and may purchase signed copies of the book.

The following students are semifinal-

ists in the 58th annual National Merit Scholarship Program: **Richard T. Horan and Kaitlyn M. Ugoretz** of Episcopal High School; **Anna M. Rapp** of Bishop Ireton High School; **Evan R. Draim and Douglas T. Maggs** of St. Stephen’s and St. Agnes School, and **Charlotte L. Clinger and Alexander M. Eichner** of T.C. Williams High School.

James Madison University has announced that the following Alexandria students graduated with honors during the May 5th commencement exercises. **Margaret Amos** graduated with a bachelor of music degree. **Abigail Agha** graduated with a bachelor of social work degree. **Johanna**

Salas graduated with a bachelor of music degree. **Amanda Beyland** graduated with a bachelor of social work degree.

Andrea T. Brendalen, of Alexandria, VA has been named to the dean’s list for the spring 2012 semester at the **University of Vermont**. Brendalen is a junior Environmental Sciences major in the Rubenstein School of Environment & Natural Resources.

Gettysburg College students **Kelly McGrath, Cheryl Olechnowicz, and Kateryna Savchyn**, all of Alexandria, were named to the Dean’s List for the spring 2012 semester.

OPINION

What To Do Until Help Arrives

BY MARY ANNE WEBER
CHAIR OF THE ALEXANDRIA
COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

Nearly everyone is familiar with the concept of First Aid. Scouts learn it. Teenagers and adults take First Aid Courses at their local Red Cross or in adult education programs. Taking such a course doesn't make you a professional but it does mean you can provide emergency support until professional help arrives.

So it is with Mental Health First Aid, a concept that has traveled to 14 countries around the world. There have been four detailed studies and several journal articles describing how Mental Health First Aid Helps. One study found that those who took the course had much more confidence in providing help and were more likely to tell people to seek professional health. Those taking the course found that stigmatizing attitudes were decreased and that they themselves had improved mental health.

Let's be clear. The course does not prepare someone to diagnose mental illnesses or provide therapy. It teaches people how to aid someone showing symptoms of mental illness until the right help can be found. It will also eventually create a community where those in crisis do not go unnoticed and get the help they need in time.

The 12-hour course that will be offered to the Alexandria public for the first time will explain the potential risk factors and warning signs for a range of mental health problems, including depression, anxiety, trauma, psychosis, eating disorders, substance abuse disorders and self-injury. It will describe the various mental health disorders in the United States, how prevalent they are, and why we need to reduce stigma in communities, a barrier to both seeking treatment and getting it.

Those taking the course will be offered a five-step action plan offering the skills, resources and knowledge needed to assess the situation, take appropriate interventions and help an individual connect with the right professional care. They will learn what is available to help someone with a mental health problem.

Why is the City of Alexandria offering this training? In the beginning, the Department of Community and Health Services looked into the program because there was no formal prevention or education services for adults that dealt with mental health and substance abuse issues. There was also a need to be consistent with the City Council strategic plan that states that the city will "provide a comprehensive and cohesive system of prevention, early intervention and treatment services to those Alexandrian most in need." This training had also been proven as a way to reduce stigma.

Mental Health First Aid

For the first time in Alexandria, Mental Health First Aid Training will be offered to the public with day and evening sessions beginning on Oct. 9. The 12-hour course teaches risk factors, warning signs and symptoms of mental health and substance abuse disorders, effects of the illnesses and an overview of treatments. It also offers a five-step action plan for helping someone with symptoms.

Mental Health First Aid helps paraprofessionals and laypersons provide support until an individual is linked to professional resources.

To apply for the course you must register by Sept. 28. Each class is limited to 20 participants. The day session will be on Tuesday, Oct. 9, 11, 16 and 18 from 1 to 4 p.m. The evening session on Oct. 9, 11, 16 and 18 from 5 to 8 p.m.

To register, email Donielle.Marshall@alexandriava.gov. Attendees will receive a three-year certification in Mental Health First Aid.

For more information about Mental Health First Aid, visit mentalhealthfirstaid.org

People in the Alexandria community expressed the need to know more, voices from the business and faith community as well as those serving our citizens in need. So the department arranged to have four of the staff become certified Mental Health First Aid trainers and two more are currently receiving training. This will make it possible to offer nine training courses per year with about 20 people in each course. This means the department can train 180 people a year.

The department has already offered two trainings for staff and volunteers at Alexandria homeless shelters because they serve many individuals with mental illness and substance abuse disorders. Potential students include those in the business and faith communities, school personnel, public safety first responders and other not-for-profit agency partners. There are also employees of the department who would benefit from such training if they have not had formal education in these issues.

But just as traditional First Aid benefits anyone who takes it, so would the Mental Health First Aid training. Mental illness and substance abuse are far more common than current prejudice would suggest. You would want to know what to do if someone fainted, or was badly cut or burned, so wouldn't you want to know what to do when someone you care about is in crisis?

You must register for the course by Sept. 28. It is limited to 20 participants per class and the day class is filled. To register, email Donielle.Marshall@alexandriava.gov. For more information about Mental Health First Aid, visit mentalhealthfirstaid.org.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

FROM PAGE 14

best example in this city, after the Beachcomber Restaurant, of "demolition by neglect."

Ten years ago, I and a large number of my neighbors all sat through the many meetings of the Windmill Hill Task Force addressing how the yacht basin could be reconfigured. The Task Force came up with a plan which was subsequently approved by the council. Funds were then inserted into the Capitol Improvement Plan (CIP) with a start date of about five years. Well it's been 10 years now

and the yacht basin still isn't scheduled to be funded until 2016 (\$500,000) and 2017 (\$4 million). The real sad commentary on all this is that one of the city's great benefactors, Al Voohees, in conjunction with the Nature Conservancy would have redeveloped the basin at no cost to the city, yet the Council rejected it.

Now using the "phony-baloney" excuse that the area surrounding the yacht basin has suddenly become hazard and an extreme insurance liability, the city wants to put a fence around it. The BAR, city staff and others are trying to

find the right kind of fence. This is so bizarre that no-one could make this up. It is my contention that if any fence is put around the basin it will just sit there and rot away as the city just won't find the resources to redevelop it. Subsequently, the dollars currently programmed in the out-years will eventually disappear and a completely redeveloped yacht basin within Windmill Hill Park just won't happen.

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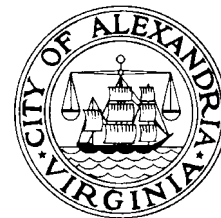
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A City license decal and residential parking decal, if applicable, were mailed with the personal property tax bills to most residents. The City license decal should be removed from the back of the bill and applied inside the front windshield next to the vehicle inspection decal. The residential parking decal should be applied to the driver's side rear bumper.

Pay by credit card or eCheck on the City's web site at alexandriava.gov/payments, in person at City Hall or at any SunTrust Bank Branch located in the City. Personal property tax payments can also be mailed to City of Alexandria, PO Box 34710, Alexandria, VA 22334-0710. Business property tax payments can be mailed to City of Alexandria, PO Box 34901, Alexandria, VA 22334-0901. Payments can also be made with cash only at approximately 70 Global Express Cash Payment Centers conveniently located throughout Northern Virginia. For a complete list of the available cash payment centers, including Shoppers Food and Pharmacy Stores, please visit the City's website at alexandriava.gov/payments.

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T.C. Williams junior Tyrice Henry heads up field against Westfield on Sept. 8.



T.C. Williams quarterback Alec Grosser (13) hands off to Malik Carney against Westfield on Sept. 8.

TC Football Falls Short Against Westfield

**Titans surrender
55 points to 2011
region runner-up.**

BY JON ROETMAN
GAZETTE PACKET

The T.C. Williams football team had weathered the storm — both literally and figuratively — against Westfield on Sept. 8 and forced the Bulldogs into a fourth-and-10 on the TC 26-yard line with less than five minutes reaming in the first half.

After TC fell behind, 14-0, and both teams endured a nearly hour-long weather delay, the Titans responded by forcing a turnover and scoring a touchdown, and now TC had a chance to get the ball back once again. But while the Titans showed resiliency to get to this point, the result was one of many missed opportunities for a TC team trying to prove it could play with the big boys.

Westfield quarterback Chris Mullins pitched the ball left to running back Dalaun Richardson, who raced 26 yards into the end zone for the first of three consecutive Bulldog touchdowns as Westfield throttled the Titans, 55-28, at T.C. Williams High School.

Westfield led, 14-0, early in the second quarter when both teams were forced to leave the field and head to their locker rooms due to a severe storm warning in the Alexandria area. When the teams returned to the field after nearly an hour, the scoreboard at Parker-Gray Stadium had lost power, but that didn't stop Westfield from piling up the points. Six different Bulldogs reached the end zone at least once, led by Devon Burns' three-touchdown performance.

"I don't know how many games you give



T.C. Williams defensive backs Carlos Jordan (6) and Tyrice Henry force a Westfield ball carrier to fumble during the teams' Sept. 8 matchup at Parker-Gray Stadium.

up 55 points and expect to win," TC head coach Dennis Randolph said. "... I thought we needed 21 points to win this game. It turned out we needed more."

Burns, a transfer from Freedom High School, caught five passes for 117 yards and three touchdowns. His second score might have had the biggest impact, helping bury a Titans team that moments earlier was hanging with a Westfield team ranked No. 11 in the Washington Post's top 20.

With 20 seconds remaining in the first half and Westfield out of timeouts, Burns ran a "go" route down the field and beat single coverage before hauling in a 20-yard touchdown pass from Mullins, giving the Bulldogs a 28-7 advantage before halftime.

"They didn't have a safety over top so it was just one on one," Burns said. "I beat him down the field [and] the ball was

thrown perfectly by Chris ..."

Westfield head coach Kyle Simmons has been pleased with Burns' impact.

"Devon's a transfer to us and we were looking for somebody that could give us a deep threat, so it's like somebody wrapped a present and sent it to us," he said. "He's a great kid, he works real hard, he keeps his mouth shut, he's all about being coachable and working and he's fit in real nice."

Richardson and Tyler Thrashe-Walker each rushed for more than 100 yards and scored a touchdown. Brian Garland scored a rushing touchdown and receiver Zach Scully picked up a teammate's fumble and raced into the end zone. Mullins completed 7 of 11 passes for 138 yards and three touchdowns.

Westfield amassed more than 500 yards of offense.

"We just buckled today," Randolph said.

Westfield scored on its first two possessions, including a fortunate break. Leading 7-0, running back Tre Smoot carried for 19 yards before fumbling. Scully picked up the loose ball and took it the remaining 45 yards to the end zone.

TC later drove to the Westfield 6-yard line, but came away empty when a 28-yard field goal attempt was blocked.

After the teams returned from the weather delay, TC recovered a fumble and three plays later, quarterback Alec Grosser lobbed a 21-yard touchdown pass to Landon Moss. Westfield would regain momentum on its following drive, however, and start to pull away.

Grosser completed 11 of 27 passes for 178 yards and three touchdowns. He was intercepted once. Moss caught three passes for 37 yards and two touchdowns, and Julius Cooper had two receptions for 77 yards, including a 73-yard touchdown.

Running back Dealo Robertson carried 22 times for 112 yards and a score.

"They didn't defeat us," Robertson said, "we defeated ourselves today."

Kevin Perry and Ed Kargbo each had 13 tackles for the Titans.

Westfield continued rolling after defeating South Lakes, 51-13, in its season opener on Aug. 30. TC defeated Wakefield, 73-0, in its Aug. 30 opener but received a reality check against Westfield. Moss said the Titans weren't shocked by facing one of the top teams in the region one week after beating a Wakefield team that hasn't had a winning season since 1983.

"We knew that it was going to be a completely different game and different environment," Moss said. "We just didn't show up"

Westfield will travel to face Lake Braddock at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 14. TC will travel to face Robinson.



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Dogs Ride the Waves

The Cameron Run Regional Waterpark opened the gates Saturday, Sept. 8, to hundreds of waiting canines and their owners for an afternoon at the pools. The dog swim has become an annual event at all of the four regional wave pools and waterparks in Northern Virginia.

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Fashion's Night Out Alexandria

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The inaugural Fashions Night Out Alexandria, presented by the Alexandria Convention & Visitors Association, showcased more than 89 local businesses Thursday evening, Sept. 6. In Old Town, the evening kicked off with a VIP reception in the courtyard at the Hotel Monaco. Honorary Chair Tameka Young and members of the host committee that included: Old Town Business & Professional Association, Old Town Boutique District, Monte Durham - "Say Yes to the Dress, Atlanta", Camille Leverett - BeautyFull Boutique, Jody Manor - Bittersweet Catering, Mason Shupe - Blown Hair Salon, Meshelle Armstrong - Eat Good Food LLC, Pamela Lynne Sorenson - Pamela's Punch (blog), Amy Rutherford - Red Barn Mercantile, Ryan Charchian - Cashmere & Tweed (blog), Kathryn Martin - Fashion stylist, Charlotte Hall - Potomac Riverboat Company, Maria Burns - Salon de Zen, Karen Sommer Shalett - DC Magazine, Sade Richardson - Kimpton Hotels, Natasha Lewis - PR at Partners, Tara Zimnick-Calico - Torpedo Factory Art Center, Cindy McCartney - Diva Designer Consignment, Natalie Kaar - Northern Virginia Magazine, Annie Lee -

Pretty People Vintage, Maggy Francois - West Potomac Design Academy & Maggy Francois, LLC, Del Ray Business Association, Alexandria Transit Company/DASH and Alexandria Economic Development Partnership were applauded for their efforts to promote the boutiques, restaurants, hotels and art venues in Old Town and Del Ray.



Committee member Jody Manor of Bittersweet Catering shares a laugh with event producer Maurisa Turner Potts. The event was presented by the Alexandria Convention & Visitors Association. ACVA hired Potts, founder/CEO of Spotted MP (Marketing + Public Relations) to produce the event.



Annie Lee of Pretty People Vintage and Jillian Lopikno.



Honorary Chair of Fashion Night Out Alexandria! Tameka Young and her husband City Manager Rashad Young.



H. David Meyers plays the oboe outside of the newly opened Bucket List on S. Royal Street.



Maggy Francois of West Potomac Design Academy and Maggy Francois, LLC served on the host committee for the Thursday evening event.



TV personality and designer Monte Durham ("Say Yes to the Dress, Atlanta") applauds the work and accomplishment of the host committee at the VIP reception in the courtyard of the Hotel Monaco.



Deputy City Manager Mark Jinks and Senior Services of Alexandria executive director Janet Barnett.



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Dressed for the fashion show later in the evening are Samantha Dorsey, Studio D'Maxxi CEO/Creative Designer Afua Sam and Nicole Foronda.

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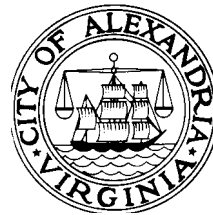
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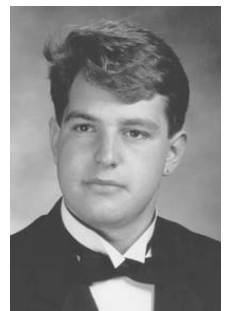
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In execution of a Deed of Trust from Christopher J. Camera and Kiersten Camera, dated July 31, 2007, and recorded August 1, 2007, as Instrument numbered 070017988 among the Land Records of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, the undersigned substitute trustee will offer for sale at public auction at the front entrance of the Court House for the City of Alexandria, at 520 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia, on

Tuesday, SEPTEMBER 25, 2012 at 9:30 a.m.

the following property being the property contained in said Deed of Trust, described as follows:

Lot 38, OLD TOWN GREENS, as the same is shown on a plat attached to a deed of consolidation and resubdivision recorded in Deed Book 1698 at page 1601, among the Land Records of the City of Alexandria, Virginia.

Commonly known as 702 Scarburgh Way, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of \$50,000.00 or ten percent (10%) of the sale price, whichever amount is less, in the form of cash or its equivalent will be required of the purchaser at the time and place of sale; the balance of the purchase money being due and payable within fifteen (15) days after sale, time expressly being of the essence, with interest at the rate of 6.75 percent per annum from date of sale to date of settlement. Provided, however, that if the holder of the secured promissory note is the successful bidder at the sale, no cash deposit shall be required, and part of or the entire indebtedness, including interest and costs, secured by the Deed of Trust, may be set off against the purchase price.

Any defaulting purchaser shall forfeit the deposit and stand the risk and cost of resale.

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In the event the undersigned trustee is unable to convey to the purchaser good title, then purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy shall be in the refund of the deposit paid at the time of sale.

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