

Khongozul Knosbayar makes her appearance on stage in the masked dance, a traditional Buddhist dance at the Mongolian School of the National Capital Area in the Wilson School on Saturday afternoon, Nov. 17

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Interviews and Recommendations

Private school admissions officers offer insight into application process.

By Marilyn Campbell
The Connection

aid for Bullis School in Potomac, Md., adds that schools value sincerity. "Does the student talk about things that are important to them? Do they go into detail so that I don't have to dig? If I ask about a physics class, does the student go into detail about their own personal experience? It is always exciting for me to hear different layers of a student's experiences," he said.

Mark Fischer sat with his parents in the plush reception area of one of the region's elite independent schools, biting his fingernails and tapping his left foot while waiting to speak with an admissions officer for the interview portion of his application.

"Yeah, I'm a little nervous," he said. Admissions directors say the interview is a chance for both students and their parents to get to know the schools and for the school to become familiar with the applicants. But what do admissions teams want to learn from interviews with applicants and their families?

"We really just want to get to know you better and hear what you have to say about your school year and thoughts for next year," said Ann Richardson Miller, director of admission and financial aid at The Madeira School in McLean.

"We like to see that the student is curious about life, what he or she is interested in and what they are passionate about," said Diane Dunning, director of admission and financial aid at St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School in Alexandria.

Tim Simpson, director of admission and financial

COMPETITION TO GET INTO independent schools can be fierce — some school admissions teams accept only one out of every 10 applicants — so parents may wonder if they should hire education consultants or coaches to help their children prepare for interviews.

Mark Sklarow, executive director of the Independent Educational Consultants Association, says it's not worth it: "A school is trying to get ... an understanding of who that student really is," he said. "They'll try to get past any planned or scripted answers."

Richard Moss of The Heights School in Potomac agrees. "It is often easy to tell when a student is not interested based on their knowledge of the school and the reasons for wanting to attend," he said. "The interview with the parents is important because you get a sense of the kinds of people you're going to be working with. We want to make sure our parents are on board with what our instructors are trying to do."

Admissions directors say parents often ask how their families should prepare for interviews. "This is an opportunity to soul search about why they are

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Pre-school rehearse walking together for a presentation on stage during the afternoon concert.

Celebrating in Song, Dance and Fashion

The Mongolian School of the National Capital Area hosted a concert of music, song, dance and fashion at the Wilson School on Saturday afternoon, Nov. 17. The Mongolian School, a Saturday school that teaches Mongolian language, history, culture and music, has been at the Wilson School since 2007. Celebration was in the air

recently as the Mongolian parliament agreed upon the official birthday of Chinggis Khan. The legislators, using the Lunisolar Calendar, set the day as the first day of the first month of winter. Chinggis Khan's 850th birthday will be celebrated in 2013. For more information on the Mongolian School, visit www.mongolianschool.com



Bolor, Oyun-Erdene and Telmuun Batzorig model clothes from Tuya Taylor's Salon in Clarendon.



Enkhzaya Nyamochir practices her part in the masked dance.



The Wilson School auditorium is decorated with a ribbon canopy resembling the interior of a traditional Mongolian nomad's dwelling, a ger.



The entranceway of the Wilson School displays work from contemporary Mongolian artists.

Radioactive Debate

Upcoming General Assembly session to feature effort to lift ban on uranium mining.

By Michael Lee Pope
The Connection

The uranium deposits under the farmlands of Pittsylvania County are miles away from Northern Virginia, but the debate about what happens there is shaping up to be one of the hottest issues of the upcoming General Assembly session. In the last year, Chatham-based Virginia Uranium, Inc., has invested more than \$52,000 in campaign contributions across the commonwealth as part of a lobbying effort to persuade legislators to tap the largest undeveloped uranium deposit in the nation.

"I told them I would take their money, but that I haven't made up my mind," said state Sen. Toddy Puller (D-36), who received \$1,000 from Virginia Uranium. "There seems to be more people that are lobbying for it. I am certain that the environmentalists will weigh in against it, but they haven't started doing that yet."

A recent study by the George Mason Center for Regional Analysis at George Mason University concluded that overturning the longstanding ban on uranium mining in Virginia would bring more than \$1 million to Pittsylvania County, adding about 2 percent to the county's revenue base. The net fiscal benefit would be equivalent to a reduction of 4 cents on the tax rate. That would be welcome news in a part of Virginia that's struggling to emerge from the global economic crisis. Statistics from the Bureau of Labor Statistics show the unemployment rate in Pittsylvania is 6.7 percent, which is higher than the statewide average of 5.6 percent.

"I don't disagree with the fact that this portion of the state needs economic development," said Del. Rob Krupicka (D-45). "But I also think that folks shouldn't have to sacrifice the health of their water or the long-term health of their community for jobs."

FOR MORE THAN 30 years, Virginia has banned uranium mining in the commonwealth. Last year, Virginia Uranium tried to overturn that ban to begin mining a vast resource in Pittsylvania County, a southside community that borders North Carolina. But Republican Gov. Bob McDonnell intervened, asking legislators to take no action in 2012. Instead, the governor initiated a study of the issue by a newly created multi-agency state workgroup including secretaries of Natural Resources, Commerce and Trade and Health and Human Resources.

"Public safety must be the primary factor in the ultimate determination as to whether to proceed with uranium mining," McDonnell said in a written statement. "While uranium mining could mean the creation of high-paying jobs for our citizens, a

Uranium Money

Chatham-based Virginia Uranium, Inc., has invested more than \$52,000 this year in campaign contributions across Virginia:

- \$7,500 to the Republican Campaign Committee for House of Delegates
- \$5,000 to the Virginia Republican Senate Caucus
- \$5,000 to the Majority Leader PAC
- \$5,000 to Dominion Leadership Trust
- \$5,000 to Sen. Ryan McDougle (R-4)
- \$2,500 to Del. Todd Gilbert (R-15)
- \$2,500 to the Democratic Party Commonwealth Victory Fund
- \$2,500 to Del. Jackson Miller (R-50)
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boost for the important nuclear power industry, increased economic development for the region and the generation of significant tax revenue for the entire commonwealth, we must prudently study the issue to ensure that such mining would not impair the health of our people or the condition of the environment."

Environmental groups have been critical of uranium mining because of concerns over a radioactive byproduct known as "tailings," a sand-like substance left over after the uranium is milled. Some legislators say they are concerned that the radioactive byproduct could flow downstream into the Hampton Roads area. That means Pittsylvania County could see the economic benefits while the Hampton Roads area has to deal with the pollution.

"I don't want to sell the public health at any price," said state Sen. Adam Ebbin (D-30). "We should be serious about other kinds of economic development besides dirty energy."

THE BAN WAS originally enacted in 1982, although supporters say technological advances have made the practice of mining

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Chairman Moran To Step Down

Brian Moran endorses Charniele Herring to succeed him as state leader of Democratic Party.

By Michael Lee Pope
The Connection

As chairman of the Democratic Party of Virginia, Brian Moran couldn't have had a better year. He delivered Virginia's 13 electoral votes to Barack Obama, and he helped former Democratic Gov. Tim Kaine beat back a strong challenge from former Republican Gov. George Allen. Now Moran says it's time to step aside and let new leadership take over the party.

"To be frank," said Moran. "I need a job." Moran is the younger brother of U.S. Rep. Jim Moran (D-8) and a former member of the House of Delegates, where he represented the West End of Alexandria and the Skyline community in Fairfax County. He abruptly resigned that seat in December 2008 to launch an ill-fated campaign for governor, prompting a last-minute special election in January 2009. That race was so close that Republican Joe Murray asked for a recount, but Charniele Herring eventually emerged as the winner. Now, Herring is the leading contender to take Moran's place yet again — this time as chairwoman of the Democratic Party of Virginia.



Photo by Michael Lee Pope/The Connection

Brian Moran congratulates Charniele Herring the night she narrowly beat Republican Joe Murray in a 2009 special election for the 46th District of the House of Delegates.

"I endorsed Charniele in that race," said Moran. "And now I'm endorsing her again."

HERRING WAS BORN in the Dominican Republic while her father was stationed there in the Army, and she led a difficult life before entering politics. She was homeless during part of her high school years, when she was raised by a single mother struggling to make ends meet. She has a bachelor of arts in economics from George Mason University and a juris doctorate from Catholic University. She is a trial lawyer, and her home precinct is the Ramsay Recreation Center. When asked about the upcoming election for governor, Herring said the Democratic Party needs to build on the success of 2012.

"Virginia is a left-leaning state, actually, not a right-leaning state. So I think the votes are there," said Herring. "The issues that the Democrats care about, the voters care about. So it's just about making sure they have a good grassroots operation."

Alexandria has been a traditional seat of power for the party, and several leaders have come from the city. V

ice Mayor Kerry Donley is a former chairman of the state party, and he said he thought Herring would be an excellent choice to lead the party.

"First off, it's always great to have someone from Northern Virginia and Alexandria," said Donley. "But I think it would also mark the first time we've had an African-American woman as the chair of the party."

featured speaker Johnny Moloto, deputy chief of mission of the Embassy of South Africa. Tickets for the gala are \$50 per person, and are available at stpeterslovequilts@gmail.com. All funds raised from the two events directly support the quilt project and the orphans in South Africa.

Glebe Road. Nov. 30, 4-9 p.m.; Dec. 1, 9 a.m.-9 p.m., and Dec. 2, noon-6 p.m.

SATURDAY/DEC. 1

Messages of Love. The St. Peter's Love Quilt Project welcomes the community to two events at the Falls Church Episcopal (115 East Fairfax St.). From 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., members of the community are invited to view the first 50 quilts crafted by members of St. Peter's Episcopal Church for South African children orphaned by AIDS, and enjoy refreshments while listening to live djembe drumming performed by Wolf Trap Master Teaching Artist Kofi Dennis. From 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., an evening gala will celebrate South Africa with music, a buffet of selected wines and food, a raffle of craft items, and

SUNDAY/DEC. 2

Invasive Plant Removal. 1-3 p.m. Lacey Woods Park, N. Frederick St. and 11 St. N., Arlington. Join Arlingtonians for a Clean Environment in working up a sweat to get rid of unwanted plant invaders. Email volunteer@arlingtonenvironment.org or call 703-228-6406 for more information and to register.

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Hands-on wreath making workshop. Wednesday, Dec. 5, 1 p.m., Culpepper Garden. Free. Register, 703-228-4403.

Home decorating on an affordable budget, Thursday, Dec. 6, 1 p.m., Walter Reed. Free. Register, 703-228-0955.

The ABC's of credit, Thursday, Dec. 6, 11 a.m., Langston-Brown. Free. Register, 703-228-6300.

Current events discussion, Thursday, Dec. 6, 1 p.m., Lee. Free. Register, 703-228-0555.

Social ballroom dance, Friday, Dec. 7, 1 p.m., Lee. Free. Register, 703-228-0555.

Poets group monthly meeting, Friday, Dec. 7, 3 p.m., Langston-Brown. Free. Register, 703-228-6300.

Fast-paced walking group, Friday, Dec. 7, 9 a.m., Aurora Hills. Free. Register, 703-228-5722.

Admissions

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interested in the school," said Moss, adding he notices a lot about a prospective student during an interview. "Does a student present well? Does he look sharp? Does he have a firm handshake? Does he thank you for having him? Does he look alive and engaged? Does he mumble?"

Sklarow says that while students should not over-prepare, they should know what to expect. "Every school is not looking for the same kind of student. Every school is not looking for the same answer. They are trying to figure out whether that student fits the personality of the school. They want to know if this is a student who will find friendships within the school and fit into the school community."

WHAT ROLE do the teacher recommendations play in admissions decisions? "Teacher recommendations give us a broader perspective on student effort and attitude, and often provide us with a different perspective than what the application alone might show," Michael Cresson, director of admissions, Bishop O'Connell High School in Arlington.

"Families would be surprised by the thoughtful and insightful comments most teachers make on the recommendations," Miller said. "Trust the teachers. They have your child's best interest at heart." Charlotte Nelsen, director of admission for the Potomac School in McLean said, "Potomac School takes a particular interest in the current teacher's recommendation for the applicant. We recognize a teacher has known the student far longer than we have." Some experts say that reports from a student's current instructors can raise red flags as well. "Teacher recommendations can shed light on the difficult aspects of a student's personality that you don't see on a report card," said Moss. "Report cards don't necessarily tell you how hard a student is working, how generous he is or what his true abilities are. "We realize that teacher recommendations are subjective, but they are important," Moss continued. "If a student is required, for example, to get a recommendation from a current English teacher and they have a terrible relationship with that teacher ... they should ... ask the previous year's English teacher to write a supplementary recommendation, just so they can balance out the negative one. The one thing you don't want to do is get a bad recommendation and say, 'Well this is a horrible teacher who doesn't like my son.'"

Julie Jameson, director of admission and financial aid at St. Andrew's Episcopal School in Potomac, concludes: "The interviews and teacher recommendations offer multiple perspectives and wonderful opportunities to learn more about each applicant as part of the whole admission process."

Bulletin Board

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THURSDAY/NOV. 29

APS FY2014 Budget Forum. 7-9 p.m. County Manager Barbara Donnellan and Superintendent Pat Murphy invite the public to a joint forum on strategies for balancing the FY 2014 budgets. At Washington-Lee High School Cafeteria 1301 N. Stafford St.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/NOV. 30-DEC. 2

Christmas Tree Sale. BSA Troop 167 holds their annual Christmas Tree Sale at Mt. Olivet United Methodist Church (parking lot), 1500 North

"Flourishing After 55"

"Flourishing After 55" from Arlington's Office of Senior Adult Programs for Dec. 2-8.

Arlington senior centers: Aurora Hills, 735 S. 18th St.; Walter Reed, 2909 S. 16th St.; Culpepper Garden, 4435 N. Pershing Dr.; Langston-Brown, 2121 N. Culpepper St.; Lee, 5722 Lee Hwy.; Arlington Mill at Fairlington, 3308 S. Stafford St.; also Madison Community Center, 3829 N. Stafford St.; TJ Comm. Center, 3501 S. 2nd St.

Senior trips: National Geographic Museum, Monday, Dec. 3, \$16; Radio City Music Hall, N.Y.C., Tuesday, Dec. 4, \$183 (includes dinner); Arundel Mills Outlets, Thursday, Dec. 6, \$13; Holiday tour of Annapolis sights, Friday, Dec. 7, \$80 (includes dinner); Signature Theatre's "Dreamgirls," Saturday, Dec. 8, \$63. Call Arlington County 55+ Travel, 703-228-4748. Registration

required.

Living will components, Monday, Dec. 3, 11 a.m., TJ. Free. Register, 703-228-5920.

Family treasures appraised, Monday, Dec. 3, 1:30 p.m., Aurora Hills. Free (one item only). Register, 703-228-5722.

Passing on personal heirlooms without conflict, Monday, Dec. 3, 11 a.m., Culpepper Garden. Free. Register, 703-228-4403.

Making holiday wreaths, Tuesday, Dec. 4, 1 p.m., Lee. \$1. Register early, 703-228-0555.

Retirement income options, Tuesday, Dec. 4, 7 p.m., Walter Reed. Free. Register, 703-228-6300.

Three-part Pearl Harbor documentary begins Tuesday, Dec. 4, 1 p.m., Culpepper Garden. Free. Register, 703-228-4403.

Laughter yoga class, Wednesday, Dec. 5, 11:30 a.m., Aurora Hills. Free. Register, 703-228-

Obituary

Joyce Graham Henderson

Joyce Graham Henderson, most recently of Ripton, Vt. died in Burlington, Vt. early on Friday, Nov. 2, 2012 at the age of 60. She was born in Arlington, the daughter of Donald Graham Henderson and Alaine Marsh Henderson, longtime residents of Alexandria; her father worked for the federal government, rising to the level of Assistant Chief of Staff for the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in the 1970s. With the notable exception of a year in London during the swinging mid-'60s, Joyce grew up in Alexandria, and attended Charles Barrett, Thomas Jefferson and finally T.C. Williams High School, from which she graduated as a member of the Class of 1969. She has friends and extended family across the state of Virginia.

Joyce received her A.B. in History with honors from Heidelberg College in Tiffin, Ohio. She pursued graduate work in public administration at the Maxwell School of Syracuse University and the Washington Public Affairs Center. After an internship with the U.S. Department of State and a stint at the U.S. Embassy in Paris, Joyce worked as an editor and staff associate in Washington, D.C. for Trans-World News Service and the American Association for Engineering Education. She continued to work as a free-lance writer, editor, and indexer for major scholarly presses throughout her life.

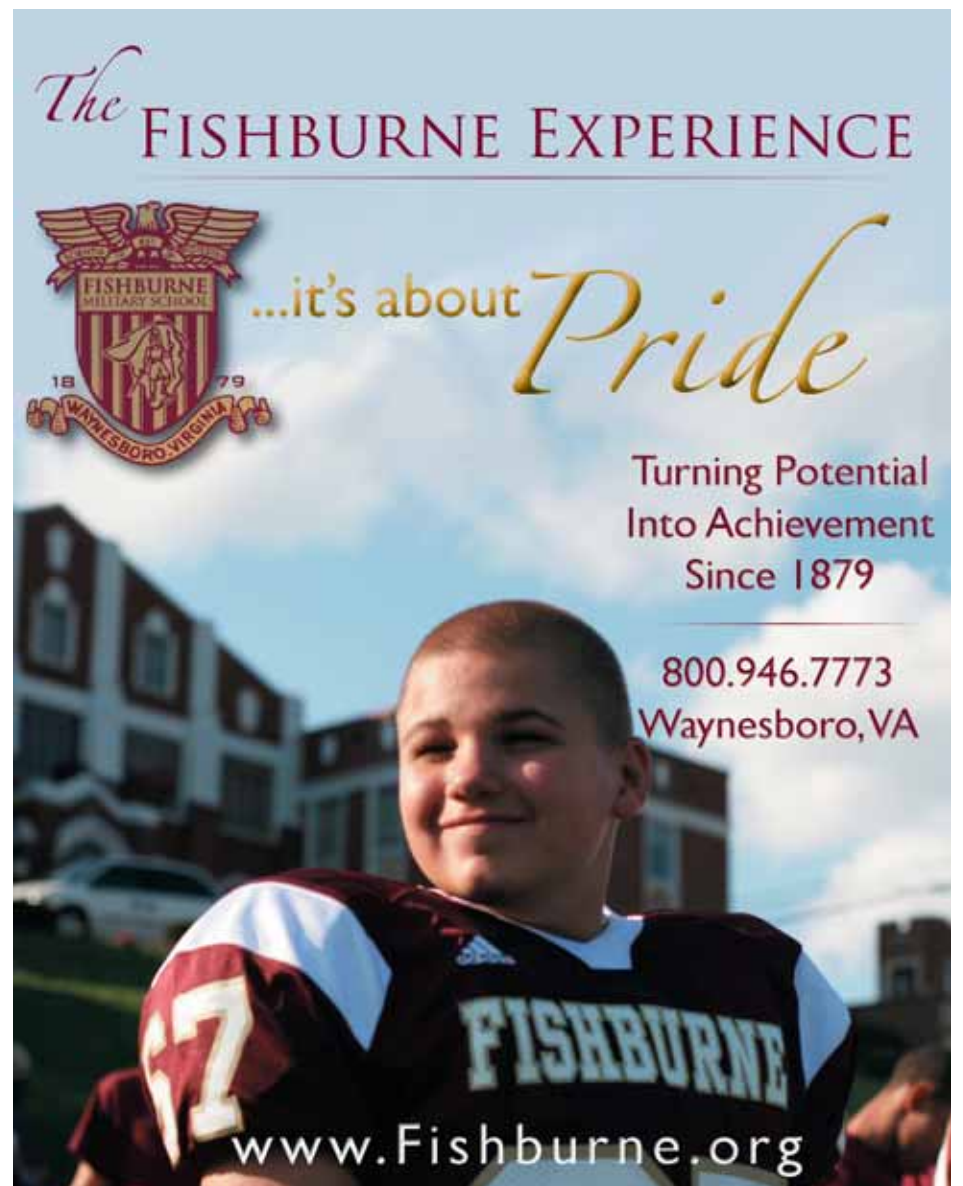
From 1979-1982 Joyce served as project officer at Appropriate Technology International, managing economic development projects in Africa and the South Pacific: she had primary responsibilities for all operations in Kenya, and shared responsibility for projects in Fiji, Malawi, Swaziland, and Vanuatu. This was work of which she was particularly and deservedly proud. From 1982-1984 she lived in Cairo, Egypt, working for Chemonics International's Basic Village Services Project, and edited a volume of the United Nations' comprehensive development study of the Sinai.

For the past 27 years, Joyce and her husband William B. Pierce owned and operated the Chipman Inn in Ripton, Vt. She was Ripton's Assistant Town Clerk, and served several terms on the Regional Planning Commission.

Joyce loved people, and served as an inspiration for many as she battled lung cancer and other adversities with grace, optimism, and determination. She was a voracious reader, with a special love of historical novels and mysteries as well as literary classics. She was adept at all sorts of board games and word puzzles, composing as well as solving crosswords.

She was also a skilled needlewoman — knitting sweaters, crocheting socks, and

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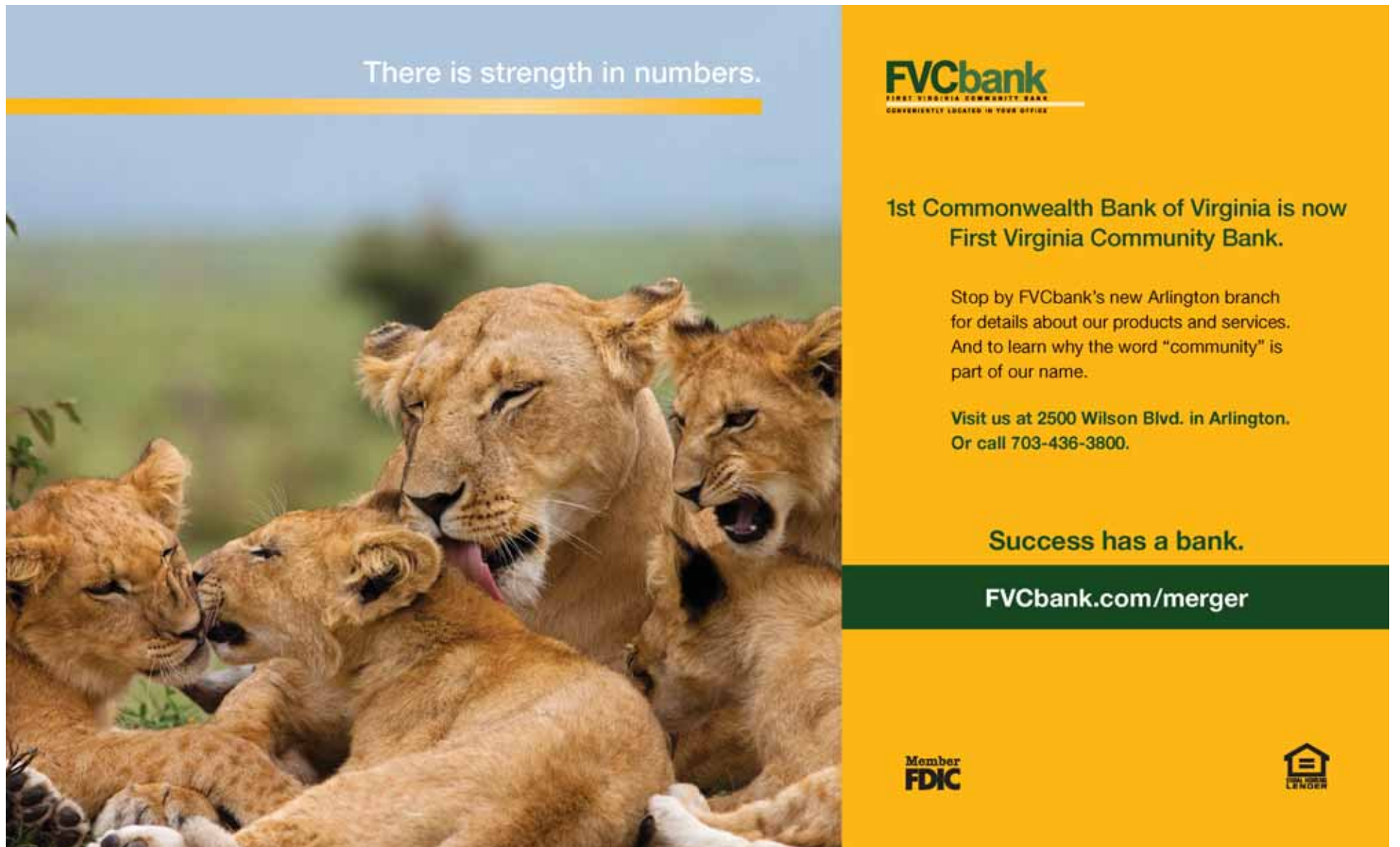
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Opinion

Shop Locally...

Small business Saturday isn't enough; don't wait until then, and don't stop after that.

An effort to support locally owned businesses has resulted in the recognition of Small Business Saturday, the Saturday after Thanksgiving. This year that is Nov. 24. Black Friday, the day after Thanksgiving, is a day of national zeal for shopping. Presumably the next day shoppers can focus on local shopping.

It sounds like an obligation, and it is. But there is a joy to shopping in local stores at the holidays, to walking along a sidewalk with the streets decked out for the holidays, to being greeted by someone likely to be the owner of the store, to finding gifts that are not mass-produced.

We all benefit when local stores thrive, when local business districts beckon.

Locally owned retail shops, services, restaurants depend on vibrant local communities to thrive. Most small, locally owned businesses invest in community, helping to transform our towns and communities with a sense of place.

Supporting small businesses, locally owned businesses, has to be more than a one-day affair. The economy continues to improve slowly without inspiring. But still, local families will shop and exchange gifts during the next month, spending tens of millions of dollars in a variety of places.

One way to be sure holiday shopping comes with some holiday spirit is to do a portion of your shopping in some of the area's locally owned stores.

There is special holiday ambiance available by shopping in the heart of a town that is decked out for the season. Small retail shops

are part of defining any community. Their livelihood depends on the livability and quality of the neighborhoods around them. A small business owner pays attention to every detail in his or her business in a way that no chain can. Frequently, it is the small retail person who is active in fundraising for local charities, for fire and rescue service, for local schools and in organizing holiday events.

Local retail stores, mom-and-pop stores, face tough challenges right now. Competition from big box stores and online sellers makes the

holiday shopping season all the more important to locally-owned retailers.

Everyone will do some of their shopping at the mall.

Everyone will do some shopping online. But local shoppers should be sure to save some shopping time and dollars for local stores. Spend some time shopping in your own community, and also plan an excursion to a nearby town to check out the local businesses and holiday spirit there.

— Mary Kimm,
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Editorials

... Give Locally

Poverty and homelessness are sometimes hard to see in Northern Virginia, but there is no shortage of families in need locally, especially at the holidays. Here are some of the local organizations ready to help, and in need of your help. Financial contributions are always preferred.

In Arlington, Where To Give Locally

In no particular order:
Arlingtonians Meeting Emergency Needs (AMEN) provides one-time, same-day emergency financial assistance to Arlington residents facing a financial crisis, and also has programs to help prevent homelessness. 703-558-0035 www.emergencynneeds.org

Doorways for Women and Families provides services to help women out of domestic violence and homelessness toward safe and stable lives, Arlington www.doorwaysva.org 703-504-9400

The Arlington Food Assistance Center provides supplemental food assistance to Arlington County residents, on average serving 3,500 adults and 1,500 children a week. 2708 South Nelson Street, Arlington, VA 22206 <http://www.afac.org/> 703-845-8486

Habitat for Humanity of Northern Virginia, Arlington, 703-521-9890

Arlington Free Clinic provides medical care for low-income, uninsured adults in Arlington. www.arlingtonfreeclinic.org 2921 11th St. South * Arlington, VA 22204 703-979-1425

Arlington-Alexandria Coalition for the Homeless, 703-525-7177, www.aachhomeless.org
A-SPAN provides services for Arlington's street homeless. Our mission is to secure permanent housing for one of Arlington's most vulnerable populations. P.O. Box 100731 Arlington, VA 22210 703-820-4357 <http://www.a-span.org/>

Viewpoints

What is your favorite Thanksgiving side dish?

—Meghan Marville

Kim Brittain: "Sweet potato casserole with marshmallows, it's only once a year."



Chad Warren: "Rolands"

Michael Bonavia: "Green bean casserole. I hated it as a child but now I love it. I guess my taste buds have grown to adulthood."



Ivy Santomauro: "Stuffing, my mom makes it with spiced sausage, it's to die for!"



Josie McCormick: "Sweet potatoes with marshmallows, the sweetness is like candy for dinner!"

What are you thankful for?

—Jennifer Benitz

Dorothea Intorre, 22, Arlington, teacher: "I am grateful for my family, my puppy and my health. I am also grateful for my church, my job and the roof over my head."



Chas Spiros, fraud analyst, Arlington: "I am grateful for family for sure. I can't ask for anything else, especially in tough times. I am also grateful for my fiancé."



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News

Lift Ban on Uranium Mining?

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for uranium much safer than it used to be. One idea under discussion involves burying the tailings where they found, which could prevent the radioactive material from travelling downstream. Ultimately, though, the debate this year will be about overturning the ban. If that happens, the details about how the mining process would work would be dealt with in a future session.

“Contrary to popular belief, the vote — if we have it this year — is not whether to mine uranium or not,” said Del. David Albo (R-42). “It’s to lift the ban so they can present plans on how they are going to do it.”

Legislators say they have been lobbied heavily on the issue, and they expect the debate to be one of the hottest issues in the upcoming session. Virginia Uranium has 19

lobbyists registered from five different firms, an indication that the company is eager to present their case as forcefully as possible. An analysis from the Virginia Public Access Project shows that 15 percent of the company’s campaign contributions have gone to Democrats while 84 percent of donations have gone to Republicans.

“Democrats have a tendency to be more opposed to it because of the possible environmental effects, but there are also Republicans who are not exactly robust in their support of it for the same reason,” said Geoff Skelley. “So far, the environmental concerns have outweighed the possible economic benefits, but that could obviously change if the lobbying efforts have some effect.”

The governor’s uranium working group is scheduled to present its findings to the Coal and Energy Commission on Dec. 1.

Obituary

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creating needlepoint pillows. She was an amateur photographer, painter, calligrapher, and musician, and a lover of cats.

Joyce spoke some Arabic and Swahili as well as French; she lived for a time in England, France, and Italy, loved to travel, and had many friends around the world as well

as close to home.

She is survived by Bill, her husband of 30 years, as well as by her brother Geoffrey R. Henderson of Arlington and her sister Diana E. Henderson of Boston.

A memorial service in Joyce’s honor will be held at 1 p.m. on Dec. 1 at the Sanderson/Ducharme funeral home in Middlebury, Vt.



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Entertainment

Magical Time of Year

Magicians help the Alexandria branch of the Salvation Army.

By Amber Healy
The Connection

There's something special about the holiday season, between the sparkling lights, frosted windows, endless baked goodies and the wonder that anything is possible.

That same feeling of awe makes it the perfect time of year for a magic show, and that's precisely the sentiment that led Ring 50, the local chapter of the International Brotherhood of Magicians, to host a magic show for area children.

"We started this last year when we wanted to do something to give back to the community, not just hold a children's magic show," said Daniel Selnick, the club's president.

At the door, attendees are asked to bring a canned or non-perishable food donation, or a new children's toy, which will be given to the Salvation Army for their holiday outreach programs, Selnick said. The Salvation Army was the obvious beneficiary, as they work directly with families in the area who

might not be able to share in the holiday festivities otherwise.

WITH MORE THAN 100 magicians in the group, Ring 50 decided to feature different magicians this year, and the interest was huge, Selnick said. Some are working magicians whose weekends are filled with children's birthday parties and other events, while others are hobbyists who don't get the opportunity to perform as often. Each will take the stage in the cafeteria at Bishop Ireton High School for a 15-minute performance, with another magician serving as emcee for the event keeping the kids entertained between sets.

"Christmas is wonderment. Magic is wonderment."

— Arnold Fuoco

This year's emcee is Arlington resident Arnold Fuoco, who said his job is to keep the children focused without losing their interest in what's going on.

"There were so many kids last year,"

Fuoco remembers. He worked the show last year as a videographer and was eager to help out again this year, in a larger capacity.

He intends to do some "vanishes and productions" during his in-between-acts performances, making things disappear or appear out of seeming nothingness.

A magician for 20 years, Fuoco said he got his first magic set as a Christmas present



Photo Contributed

Laurie Curry had a group of children enthralled during her performance at last year's holiday magic show, featuring the International Brotherhood of Magicians Ring 50 club.

when he was a little boy, and the fascination grew. But, like the other magicians also admitted, magic took a backseat to school, work and families, never fully disappearing from their interests.

"When I got into my 50s, I went into Al's

Spread Some Cheer

Ring 50 of the International Brotherhood of Magicians will be offering their holiday magic show Wednesday, Dec. 5, at Bishop Ireton High School, located at 201 Cambridge Road, Alexandria, from 7-8:15 p.m. A donation of a new toy or canned food item is suggested for admission, but no one will be turned away. Donations will benefit the Alexandria branch of the Salvation Army.

Magic Shop in D.C., looking to buy tricks for a child," he said. "That got me hooked again."

Fuoco, an Arlington resident, said performing during the holidays makes the show more fun, the magic more real.

"Christmas is wonderment," he said. "Magic is wonderment."

Calendar

Email announcements to arlington@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is noon the Thursday before publication. Photos are welcome.

ONGOING

Food Truck Thursdays. In the surface parking lot at the corner of Crystal Drive and 18th Street.

Line Dancing Class. Fridays, 10-11 a.m. Line dancing with Barbara Allen. Covers the basic steps, then combines them to music for a gentle aerobic workout. More experienced line dancers are welcome as they can assist newer dancers. At Aurora Hills Senior Center. Call 703-228-5722.

Woodland Reveries: Photos of East Tennessee by Tammie George. At Cherrydale Branch Library, 2190 Military Road through Thursday, Jan. 3, 2013. Call 703-228-6330. Hours: Monday and Thursday: 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; Tuesday and Wednesday: 1-9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Free.

Family Skate Opening Night. Saturdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m., through March 30, 2013. Thomas Jefferson Center, 3501 2nd St. Fees: \$2 entry, \$3 skate rental, \$2 re-entry for students attending both family and teen skate. Cash only. Save time in line by bringing skates. Visit www.arlingtonva.us.

THROUGH JAN. 6, 2013

Musical: Dreamgirls. Part of Signature Theatre's 2012/2013 season, playing for 8 weeks in the

MAX Theatre. Tickets start at \$40. Visit www.signature-theatre.org. Signature Theatre is located at 4200 Campbell Ave.

THURSDAY/NOV. 22

Turkey Trot. 8 a.m. The starting line is 3020 Pershing Dr. Doorways for Women and Families, Arlington Food Assistance Center and Arlington Alexandria Coalition for the Homeless will receive all net proceeds. Visit www.ccapca.org/turkeytrot.htm to register.

FRIDAY/NOV. 23

Glass works. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Black Friday at Northern Virginia Art Center at 2100 Crystal Drive featuring a collection of pieces from the two sisters, Heide and Lori. Visit <http://novaartcenter.org>.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY/NOV. 23-24

Comedian. 10 p.m. Todd Barry from HBO, Comedy Central will come to the Arlington Drafthouse located at 2903 Columbia Pike. Admissions are \$23. Visit <http://ArlingtonDrafthouse.com>.

THROUGH NOV. 24

Art Exhibitions. "Room With a View" will include landscape paintings, but also views inside rooms, as well as abstract pieces. The show also features 3D pieces such as pottery, sculpture, glass and jewelry. "Small Works of Great Importance" features

small gems: a painting, ceramic or fused glass piece may be no larger than 103x123. At Arlington Artists Alliance Gallery, at 2100 Crystal Drive. Visit <http://novaartcenter.org/events/>.

MONDAY/NOV. 26

Northern Virginia Mineral Club. 7:45 p.m. The Northern Virginia Mineral Club encourages interest in geology, mineralogy, lapidary arts and related sciences. Meetings are held on the fourth Monday of each month at Long Branch Nature Center, 625 Carlin Springs Road. Call 703-228-6535. Visitors welcome.

NOV. 26 THROUGH DEC. 31

Art Exhibition. An exhibition called Illuminations is offered at Northern Virginia ART Center. Artists bring creations in the form of glass, sculpture, painting, drawing, jewelry and ceramics. At 2100 Crystal Drive. Call 571-483-0652 or visit www.novaartcenter.org.

Exhibition. Metroscapes: NOVA/DC is an exhibit that involves artists looking closely at the everyday landscape around us. Artists are invited to paint familiar scenes, and those that depict everyday life as we know it in the Metro area. At 2100 Crystal Drive. Call 571-483-0652 or visit www.novaartcenter.org.

TUESDAY/NOV. 27

Free Concert. 7:30 p.m. "Pershing's Own" Chamber Music Series. Our

popular recital series continues with works for mixed winds and strings by Bartok, Ingolf Dahl, and others. Free and open to the public. Call 703-696-3399 or visit www.usarmyband.com. At Brucker Hall, 400 McNair Road.

Full Moon, Poetic Nights. 7-8 p.m. Adults and teens. Enjoy a short hike by the light of the full moon, as winter stars begin to rise. Share poems inspired by the night as well — from nursery rhymes to sonnets. Call 703-228-3403. Meet at Gulf Branch Nature Center, 3608 Military Road. Free. Program #612942-H.

"Arlington's Got Talent." Leadership Arlington's Young Professionals Program will host the first "Arlington's Got Talent," featuring a talent show of the best and brightest at Clarendon Ballroom. The event will benefit the Young Professionals Program Scholarship Fund. Tickets are \$30 with networking beginning at 6:30 p.m. and the talent show at 7:30. Tickets can be purchased at www.leadershiparlington.org.

NOV. 27 THROUGH JAN. 29
Winter Project. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. The Winter Project includes dance technique and creative explorations to result in choreography that is practiced, memorized and performed for an audience. Dancers learn and create roles in class/rehearsal sessions directed by Jane Franklin at 3700 S Four Mile Run Drive. Call 703-933-1111 or visit <http://www.janefranklin.com/adult-dance-education/winter-project> to enroll.

WEDNESDAY/NOV. 28

"Books That Shaped America." 7 p.m. Mark Dimunation, chief of the Rare Book and Special Collections Division at the Library of Congress, reflects on 88 remarkable titles that changed the way people think. The list even includes "The Joy of Cooking" and "Alcoholics Anonymous." Bring your own list for the evening. At Arlington Central Library Auditorium, 1015 N. Quincy St.

WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY/NOV. 28 & 30

Full Moon Foray. Look at the phases and faces of the moon. Ages 3-5. Preschool programs are offered throughout the year at both Gulf Branch and Long Branch Nature Centers. The theme for preschool programs is repeated during the month, register for only one session at each nature center per month. Parents are invited to stay and observe, or those with younger siblings may visit the rest of the building during the program. Parents must remain on-site. Wednesday, Nov. 28 10:30-11:30 a.m., #612912-T or 3:30-4:30 p.m., #612912-U. Friday, Nov. 30 10:30-11:30 a.m., #612912-W or 3:30-4:30 p.m., #612912-X.

NOV. 28 THROUGH DEC. 3

Annual Fruit Sale. The Arlington Host Lions will host its first citrus sales from Wednesday Nov. 28 through

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Monday Dec. 3, 2012 from 8 a.m. until dark at the Wells Fargo Bank on the corner of N. Glebe Road and Lee Highway. The second sale will be Jan. 23-28, 2013. The following fruit will be sold at the following costs per case: Pink/white grapefruit at \$30 per case and \$16 per half; Navel oranges at \$28 per case and \$14 per half; Tangelos at \$26 per case and \$14 per half; Hamlin juice oranges at \$25 per case and \$13 per half; and Tangerines at \$18 per half case.

THURSDAY/NOV. 29

"Superheroes Of Stoke." 7:30 p.m. This new film takes a captivating look at the past, present, and future of freeskiing through comprehensive storytelling and engaging first-person perspectives from those who helped change the game. Starring an elite class of superheroes, including Mark Abma, James Heim, Ingrid Backstrom and more. Also featuring legendary cameos from earlier generations of the MSP universe: Shane McConkey, Seth Morrison, Wendy Fisher, JP Auclair and more. Tickets are \$12. Visit www.arlingtondraffthouse.com. At Arlington Cinema & Draffthouse, 2903 Columbia Pike.

THROUGH NOVEMBER

National Cherry Blossom Photo Contest. Cherry Blossoms are blooming inside and outside in Crystal City this spring with a new partnership between the Crystal City Business Improvement District, Vornado/Charles E. Smith, and FotoDC. Some 150 finalists and judge favorites from FotoDC's Second Annual National Cherry Blossom Photo Contest will be exhibited along Crystal City's interior walkways. Visit www.crystalcity.org.

NOV. 30-DEC. 2

Artful Weekend at Fort C.F. Smith. The Arlington Artists Alliance will hold its annual Artful Weekend at the historic Henley House at Fort C.F. Smith, featuring 40 artists and a variety of styles. Come to meet the artists at a wine and light snack reception on Friday, Nov. 30 from 6-8 p.m. The show will open again on Saturday, Dec. 1, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Sunday, Dec. 2 from noon to 4 p.m.

SATURDAY/DEC. 1

Washington-Lee High School Holiday Bazaar. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. More than 60 local artisans will be showing handcrafted gift items. Take home baked goods and other holiday items offered by W-L clubs and teams. Live musical performances by The Madrigals and other school

groups. Free. At 1301 North Stafford St. Call 703-228-6200. Free parking and easy access to Bazaar from the 1-66 parking garage off Stafford Street.

Holiday Wreath Workshop. 1-4 p.m. Adults and children ages 12 and older. Create decorative crafts to spruce up home or to give as special gifts. Music, refreshments, basic instruction and enough materials are provided for each participant to make at least two seasonal decorations. Participants should bring hand pruners or wire cutters and any extra materials or special decorations you may wish to add. Call 703-228-6535. Meet at Long Branch Nature Center, 625 S Carlin Springs Road. \$30 fee payable upon registration. Program #612942-H.

Annual Holiday Boutique. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Free admission and Parking. At Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, 800 23rd St. S. Baked goods, ready-to-go meals, great holiday gift items, raffle baskets, silent auction, freshly decorated holiday wreaths and more. To benefit the Arlington Food Assistance Center and Arlington Hume School Historical Museum. Lunch will be available. Visit www.ahwc1958.org or call 703-218-7561.

Gala of Glitz, Glamour and a Gourmet Extravaganza. 6:30 p.m. The Jewish Community Center or Northern Virginia presents the Tony Award-winning musical Dreamgirls at the Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave. RSVP by calling 703-328-0880 or visiting www.jccnv.org.

Comedy: The Sklar Brothers: Randy and Jason Sklar. 7:30 and 10 p.m. at Arlington Cinema & Draffthouse, 2903 Columbia Pike. Admissions are \$22. Visit www.arlingtondraffthouse.com.

Incredible Edible Book Contest. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. An edible book is any representation of a book title that is made primarily from edible materials. Entries should be dropped off at the Cherrydale Library between 10 a.m. and noon. The public is welcome to come and view the entries beginning at noon. Awards will be given out at 3 p.m., and then light refreshments will be served. The professional judges include Justin Stegall of Bakeshop and David Guas of Bayou Bakery. Categories include Best in Show, Best Entry by an Individual (Children under 12, Teens 13-18, Adults) and more. Winners will receive prizes. At Cherrydale Branch Library at 2190 North Military Road. Visit <http://library.arlingtonva.us>.

MONDAYS/DEC. 3

From Page to Stage Mondays. 7 p.m. (Arlington Public Library, Shirlington Branch, 4200 Campbell

Ave. Watch the Oscar-winning Dreamgirls, the film based on the 1981 Broadway musical. Call 703-820-9771 or visit www.signaturetheatre.org.

Free Concert and Party. 7 p.m. Signature Theatre presents a concert featuring singer and actress Sandy Bainum and release party as she debuts her new holiday CD This Christmas. Bainum will be joined by a number of Washington performers. Free. Reservations are available through at 703-820-9771. At Signature Theatre at 4200 Campbell Ave. Visit www.theatrewashington.org.

Argentine Festival Anniversary. 7-9 p.m. The Argentine Committee invites the public to participate in a celebration of the XXV anniversary and success of the Gold Presidential Volunteer Service Award of the annual Argentine Festival. It's a festive evening of fun, shows under the festival's stars, great food for sale and exciting awards and raffle prizes. At El Patio Restaurant, 5240 Randolph Road, Rockville. Online advanced donation only is \$5. To register, call 703-212-5850 or email info@festivalargentinausa.com.

WEDNESDAY/DEC. 5

Children's Holiday Magic Show. 7-8:15 p.m. Featuring Ring 50 of the International Brotherhood of Magicians. Free. A donation of canned food items or new toy will be collected for local charity. At Bishop Ireton High School, 201 Cambridge Road. Email Danny Selnick at daniel.selnick@yahoo.com or call 703-347-5540.

THURSDAY/DEC. 6

Brown Bag Thursdays. 1-2 p.m. Nova Y. Payton, an audience favorite as Motormouth Maybelle in Hairspray, returns in the role of Effie White in the landmark musical Dreamgirls. Signature's Mead Lobby, (4200 Campbell Ave. Call 703-820-9771 or visit www.signaturetheatre.org.

Film: Bad Santa. 7:30 p.m. The A.V. Club's New Cult Canon brings Terry Zwigoff's dark comedy Bad Santa to Arlington Cinema & Draffthouse located at 2903 Columbia Pike. Admissions are \$6.50. Visit <http://www.arlingtondraffthouse.com>.

Jewelry Trunk Show and Art Reception. 5-8 p.m. To celebrate "Illuminations" and "Metrosapes: NOVA/DC" the Northern Virginia Art Center will hold a reception featuring the Gallery Jewelers. Treats to eat from King Street Blues. Live music. Free and open to the public. At 2100 Crystal Drive. Call 571-483-0652 or visit www.novaartcenter.org.

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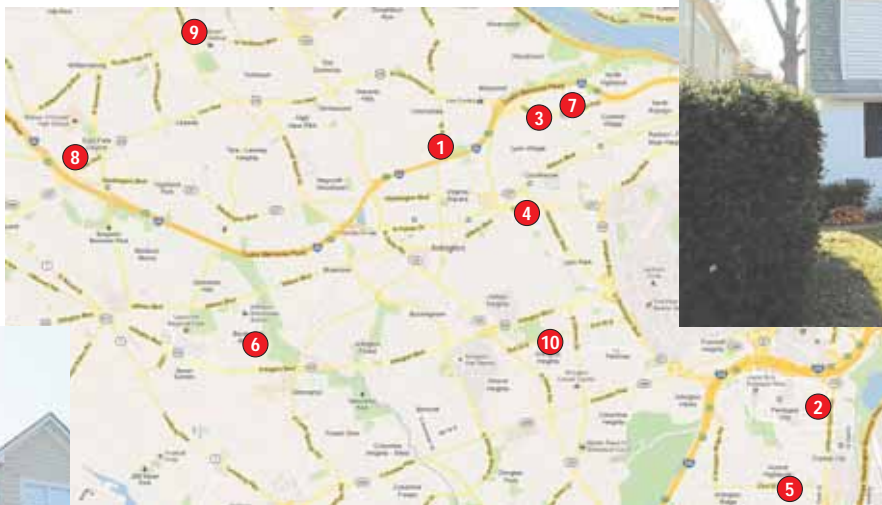
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2 1211 EADS ST S #2104	3	2	1	ARLINGTON	\$790,000	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors		22202	BELLA VISTA	09/21/12	
3 2702 LEE HIGHWAY #2A	3	3	0	ARLINGTON	\$789,900	Garden 1-4 Floors		22201	LYON POINTE	09/25/12	
4 3112 9TH RD N	4	4	1	ARLINGTON	\$788,660	Townhouse	0.02	22201	BERKELEY SQUARE	09/28/12	
5 704 24TH ST S	5	2	0	ARLINGTON	\$785,000	Detached	0.14	22202	AURORA HILLS	09/05/12	
6 5919 4TH ST N	4	3	1	ARLINGTON	\$774,000	Detached	0.14	22203	SPY HILL BLVD MANOR	09/27/12	
7 1906 ADAMS ST N	3	3	1	ARLINGTON	\$760,000	Townhouse	0.03	22201	COURTHOUSE CROSSING	09/13/12	
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Home Sales

In October 2012, 222 Arlington homes sold between \$1,700,000-\$65,000. This week's list represents those homes sold in the \$1,700,000-\$730,000 range. For the complete list, visit www.ConnectionNewspapers.com

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1317 14TH ST N	3	3	2	ARLINGTON	\$1,700,000	Townhouse	0.02	22209	MONUMENT PLACE
3418 THOMAS ST N	5	4	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,520,000	Detached	0.26	22207	BROYHILL FOREST/HILLS
3118 17TH ST N	4	5	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,480,000	Detached	0.13	22201	LYON VILLAGE
4010 38TH PL N	4	3	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,325,000	Detached	0.24	22207	CHAIN BRIDGE FOREST
2418 COLUMBUS ST N	5	4	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,279,000	Detached	0.14	22207	LIVINGSTON HEIGHTS
495 WAKEFIELD ST N	5	5	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,257,736	Detached	0.17	22203	ENCLAVE OF BALLSTON
1700B CLARENDON BLVD #121	2	2	0	ARLINGTON	\$1,199,869	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors		22209	GASLIGHT
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THURSDAY/NOV. 29

Big Easy Express. 8 p.m. Directed by Emmett Malloy, featuring Mumford & Sons, Big Easy Express documents a cinematic musical journey. Britain's acclaimed Mumford & Sons, Indie folk heroes Edward Sharpe & The Magnetic Zeros and Tennessee's Old Crow Medicine Show climbed aboard a beautiful vintage train in California, setting out for New Orleans. \$10. At Dome Theater of Artisphere, located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com.

FRIDAY/NOV. 30

Boister: Live Soundtrack To Buster Keaton's Silent Film Steamboat Bill, Jr. 8 p.m. \$15. Creating an unequaled musical and film experience, the Baltimore-based ensemble Boister performs a live soundtrack to the 1928 classic Buster Keaton film Steamboat Bill, Jr. At Dome Theater of Artisphere, located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com.

THROUGH JAN. 5, 2013

Roberto Bocci's Streams + Spaces. Free. At Mezz Gallery. Roberto Bocci's Streams + Spaces in Between is a portrait of the distance between two geographical locations. A 100-foot experimental panorama maps the distance between Arlington and Washington, D.C. and relocates urban environments within the art gallery. Opening reception is Thursday, Nov. 1, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The artist talk with Don Russell, Juror at 6 p.m. Artisphere is located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com.

SATURDAY/DEC. 1

Raul Midón. 8 p.m. \$22. Raul Midón's music unleashes a dazzling percussive guitar style complimented by his silky, soulful tenor that has drawn comparisons to Donny Hathaway and Stevie Wonder. At Dome Theater in Artisphere located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com.

THURSDAY/DEC.6

Light Up Rosslyn. 5:15-6:45 p.m. Join for the Rosslyn Business



Photo by C. Stanley Photography

Opening night for WSC Avant Bard's "Six Characters."

'Six Characters In Search Of An Author'

Set during a rehearsal for Luigi Pirandello's "The Rules of the Game," the play finds actors and a director interrupted by orphan characters, seeking to have their story told. The play will run through Dec. 9 (times vary). Tickets are \$10-\$50. At Black Box Theater of Artisphere, located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com.

Improvement District's annual Rosslyn skyline lighting ceremony across from Artisphere in front of 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com.

Artisphere Dome Projection. 5:15-11 p.m. See Chris Coleman and Laleh Mehran's projection on the exterior of Artisphere's Dome, Artisphere is located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com.

DEC. 6-23

Project 2012.002r. Free. Local arts transform Artisphere's Education Lab into a site specific new media installation entitled Project 2012.002r, which explores emotional disconnectedness and the act of the search, addressing the experience of distance between people in society, both literal and social. Project 2012.002r will be accompanied by a short explanatory film and slideshow that shows the artists' process in the installation. At Education Lab + Bijou Theater in Artisphere located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com.

DEC. 6 THROUGH JAN. 20

W3fi: A Digital Experience Revealing The Connections Between Our Online + Offline Selves.

By Chris Coleman + Laleh Mehran. Free. At Terrace Gallery. Opening reception is on Thursday Dec. 6 from 7-10 p.m. Artists Chris Coleman and Laleh Mehran transform the Terrace Gallery into an immersive digital installation, using multiple projections mapped specifically for the space. W3FI animates the walls with ideas and real-time information gathered from

Artisphere visitors and the region at large. Artisphere is located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com.

FRIDAY/DEC. 7

Victoria Vox + Christylez Bacon. 8 p.m. \$12. Victoria Vox, has been warming the hearts of her audience across the United States, Canada, Australia and Europe. Her songs are honest, moving, but also light-hearted. Christylez Bacon is a GRAMMY nominated progressive hip-hop artist and multi-instrumentalist from Southeast D.C. At Dome Theater in Artisphere located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com.

SATURDAY/DEC. 8

Popped-Up Videos Live. Holiday edition. 8 p.m. Holiday videos get the pop up treatment with fun facts and jokes hosted by music-video historian Andrew Bucket with special guests and prizes. \$10. At Dome Theater in Artisphere located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com.

Kelly Hogan. Hogan will be coming to Arlington in support of her highly anticipated new solo album I Like To Keep Myself In Pain. She will be performing at the IOTA Club & Cafe located at 2832 Wilson Blvd. Visit www.iotaclubandcafe.com.

THROUGH DEC. 9

Johnathan Monaghan: Rainbow Narcosis. Free. At Works in Progress Gallery, Town Hall. Appropriating a range of imagery from video games and corporate logos to religious iconography, Rainbow Narcosis is a hallucinatory vision both haunting and humorous. Artisphere is located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com.

Six Characters In Search Of An Author. Set during a rehearsal for Luigi Pirandello's The Rules of the Game, the play finds actors and a director interrupted by orphan characters, seeking to have their story told. Previews are available from Nov. 11 through Nov. 14 at 7:30 p.m. The play will be open on Nov. 15 at 7:30 p.m. and run through Dec. 9 (times vary).

Tickets are \$10-\$50. At Black Box Theater of Artisphere, located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com.

DEC. 12 THROUGH FEB. 3

Art On The Art Bus: Hand Drawn Bazaar. Free. Elizabeth Graeber creates work for Art On The Art Bus at Works in Progress Gallery in Artisphere located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com. Onsite residency hours are Wednesday and Friday from 5:30-10 p.m.

FRIDAY/DEC. 14

Ellen Cherry + Naked Blue. 8 p.m. \$12. Emmy nominated singer/songwriter Ellen Cherry is a full-time touring and working performer based in Baltimore. Jen and Scott Smith make up the band Naked Blue. Their live performances have taken them to six countries and across the U.S. creating fans wherever they go. At Dome Theater in Artisphere located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com.

Music. 8:15 p.m. Nationally touring songwriters and Arlington residents Taylor Carson and Justin Trawick will be performing together with their full bands at IOTA Club & Cafe (2832 Wilson Blvd.). This show will mark their final band performances of 2012. Doors will open at 8 p.m. and special guest Cassidy Ford will play an opening set at 8:15 p.m. followed by Taylor Carson and finally Justin Trawick. Tickets are \$12 and available at the door. Visit www.iotaclubandcafe.com.

SATURDAY/DEC. 15

Grump At Artisphere. 12-6 p.m. Free. Ballroom Grump is the best ever alternative holiday craft show where people can shop local this holiday season. Join 40 local makers as they show and sell handmade goods. From kids clothing made from vintage t-shirts and handmade soap to plush anteaters and t-shirts about zombies eating pizza. And enjoy a tacky-sweater photo booth and DJ. Artisphere located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com.

Ethan Lipton + His Orchestra: No Place To Go. 8 p.m. \$22. The Obie Award-winning show delivers an irreverent and personal musical ode to the unemployed. Lipton is joined by his incomparable "orchestra" of Eben Levy (guitar), Ian Riggs (upright bass) and Vito Dieterle (sax), a trio that's been playing with him for over seven years. At Dome Theater in Artisphere located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com.

THROUGH DEC. 15

Beth Baldwin: Artist-in-Residence. Free. Open studio hours Nov. 12-Dec. 15: Friday 6-10 p.m.; Saturday Noon-6 p.m. In a 500-square-foot studio located off of Artisphere's main entrance lobby, Baldwin will create her one-of-a-kind animals and houses made from recycled materials in full view of the public eye. Throughout her residency, Baldwin will collaborate with Artisphere to create programming that allows visitors to learn more about her artistry. Patrons are encouraged to watch her work and ask questions during her residency hours. Artisphere is located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com.

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Yorktown running back MJ Stewart rushed for 249 yards and three touchdowns against South County on Nov. 16.



Yorktown running back Arturo Brown reaches for the goal line against South County on Nov. 16. Brown rushed for 155 yards and two touchdowns against the Stallions.

Photos by Louise Kraft/The Connection

Yorktown Throttles South County in Playoff Rematch

Patriots advance to Division 5 Northern Region championship game.

By Jon Roetman
The Connection

The Yorktown football team's perfect 2011 season came to an end on its home field courtesy of South County, which beat the Patriots by 24 points in the region championship game.

In the days leading up to Friday's postseason rematch, a Yorktown assistant coach offered a little reminder.

"That was almost 100 percent of our motivation right there," Yorktown running back MJ Stewart said about losing to the Stallions last year. "Two days before [Friday's rematch], coach [Wayne] Hogwood, he printed a picture out [of] when [South County] won last year and took a picture with the regional championship banner on our field and that just hurt



Yorktown linebacker Alex Rockelli hits South County running back LeVaughn Davis on Nov. 16.

us all because we knew how painful it was. ... We wanted this game so bad."

If it was pain that motivated Stewart, the junior carried the Patriots to a second consecutive championship game appearance with an effort fueled by a year's worth of agony.

Stewart carried 19 times for 249 yards and three touchdowns as No. 2 Yorktown defeated No. 6 South County, 48-28, on Nov. 16 during the Division 5 Northern Region semifinals at Greenbrier Stadium. Stewart scored on runs of 22, 64 and 78 yards. He also completed one pass for 22 yards,

the Jefferson game (region quarterfinals) and in the W-L game (regular season finale), we kind of had to rely on the pass. MJ had 120-yard nights, but he hadn't busted a big one in a couple weeks. W-L and Jefferson were able to contain him. I guess we called MJ's number and he just ran [into the end zone. I thought], we're going to keep doing that."

Stewart's first two carries went for touchdowns. On Yorktown's third play from scrimmage, Stewart ran left and showed tremendous speed getting around the corner en route to a 22-yard score. Yorktown increased its lead to 14-0 on a 36-yard fumble return by Colin Johnston, and two plays into the Patriots' next drive, Stewart ran 64 yards into the end zone for a three-score advantage.

Stewart put the finishing touch on the victory with a 78-yard touchdown run with 3:53 remaining in the fourth quarter. Yorktown linebacker John Yoest recovered a South County fumble on the previous play.

"He's honestly the best player I've ever played with, but he's also the nicest guy I've ever played with," Yorktown quarterback Will Roebuck said. "I'm sure everybody says that, but as good of an athlete as he is, as nice of a person as he is, you don't find people like that. He's a hell of a football player. ... Makes my job a lot easier [hav-

ing Stewart on the field]."

Stewart credited the guys up front.

"It was really all my linemen," he said. "They came out with all kinds of hype and intensity. They blocked well for all four quarters. They just opened holes for me that I took."

Yorktown's offensive effort was a far cry from the previous season, when the Patriots managed just one offensive touchdown during a 37-13 loss to the Stallions. On Friday, Yorktown scored six offensive touchdowns and produced 490 yards, including 396 on the ground.

Yorktown senior transfer Arturo Brown, who watched last year's South County loss from the sideline, carried 23 times for 155 yards and two touchdowns.

"It's always great to get a win, but this was a big one for us," Brown said. "... It's a big momentum [boost] to go into [the region final against] Stone Bridge."

Roebuck was 3-of-6 for 72 yards, one touchdown and an interception. Nick Yore caught a 33-yard touchdown pass.

Alex Rockelli intercepted a pass for Yorktown, one of five turnovers caused by the Patriots defense.

Yorktown will travel to face No. 1 Stone Bridge at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 23 in the region final. Both teams are undefeated. Hanson will be coaching against the Bulldogs for the first time during his 28-year tenure as Yorktown head coach.

"We're not going to be intimidated by them," Hanson said. "We're going to play."

"We wanted this game so bad."

— Yorktown running back MJ Stewart

Sports Brief

W-L Softball Standout To Play at Shippensburg

Washington-Lee third baseman Jenny Peel has committed to play NCAA Division II softball at Shippensburg University in the fall of 2013.

At W-L, under Coaches Carolyn Majowka, Will Downs, and Jack Belcher, Peel batted third and helped lead the Generals to postseason berths in the National District in each of the last three seasons. She has played travel softball

with Vienna Stars Softball program in Northern Virginia and competed in premier national tournaments every year since she was 12.

Peel said she is looking forward to being a Lady Raider: "I've worked really hard to be able to compete at this level by training nearly every day of the year. Shippensburg is a great fit for me, and I can't wait to be play softball there."

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The proposed changes, to be effective April 1, 2013, include the following:

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10. An increase in the Installation of Sewer Use Meter Charge from \$41 to \$44.
11. An increase in the Returned Payment Charge from \$16 to \$17.

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<http://www.fairfaxwater.org/rates/index.htm>. Those wishing to speak at this
hearing or desiring a copy of the proposed changes should call Ms. Eva Catlin at 703-289-6017.
Interested parties also may submit written comments to
PublicHearingComments@fairfaxwater.org or mail written comments to:

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8570 Executive Park Avenue
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All written comments must be received by close of business on Wednesday,
December 12, 2012 to be included in the record of the public hearing.

†Charges reflect fees associated with a standard 5/8" residential meter. Changes in charges
for larger residential and commercial meters are reflected in the Proposed Schedule of Rates,
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2013 BUDGET

Fairfax County Water Authority (Fairfax Water) is proposing a \$143.4 million budget
for calendar year 2013¹.

On Thursday, December 13, 2012, Fairfax Water will conduct a public hearing on its
proposed 2013 Budget in its offices at 8570 Executive Park Avenue, Fairfax. The public
hearing will begin at 6:30 p.m.
A copy of the proposed budget can be viewed on our Web site at
<http://www.fairfaxwater.org/>. Those wishing to speak at this hearing or desiring
a copy of the proposed budget should call Ms. Eva Catlin at 703-289-6017.

Revenues are expected to be \$143.4 million in 2013. Water sales are expected to provide
\$124.6 million. Approximately \$18.8 million is expected from connection charges, invest-
ment income and other sources.

The major areas of operation and maintenance expense are:

Category	-- \$1,000s --	
	2012	2013
Personal Services & Employee Benefits	\$46,473	\$48,367
Power and Utilities	11,345	11,686
Chemicals	6,694	7,968
Fuel	916	960
Postage	547	460
Insurance	1,300	1,107
Supplies and Materials	3,976	4,233
Contractual Services	8,749	8,657
Professional Services	1,656	1,902
Other	2,005	2,285
Sub-Total	83,661	87,625
Transfer to Improvement Fund	(9,559)	(9,613)
Total	74,102	78,012

Net revenues are expected to be appropriated as follows:

Debt Payment	\$39,374,000
Improvement Fund	\$11,000,000
General Fund	\$14,068,000

¹ Fairfax Water's Board will continue to monitor economic factors and review revenues
and expenditures at mid-year to determine if additional action is needed.

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