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The Weathervanes perform at the annual music festival in the late afternoon.

That 'Small Town Vibe'

Seventh Annual Del Ray Music Festival draws crowds.

Celebrating the diversity and talent of the Del Ray community, the Seventh Annual Del Ray Music Festival took place on Saturday, June 22. From noon to 9 p.m. on the Mt. Vernon Recreation Center Fields, the Del Ray Music Festival included music, food, games, and a chance to ring in the summer with friends and neighbors.

Chaired by Kate Moran, longtime Del Ray resi-

dent and lead singer in her own band, the festival is organized with the support of a group of Del Ray citizens.

The festival featured a variety of music that included reggae, jazz, blues, swing, folk, country, Celtic, and rock. Dave Dodd, front man for the local band Elroy Jenkins, said: "When you look out into the crowd and see friends and neighbors, it reminds me that, even though we live just outside of a big city, the small town vibe is still alive and well here in Del Ray."

In addition to the music, the day featured games for the children and adults and food from neighborhood favorites Pork Barrel BBQ and Rita's Water Ice.



Between bands and music and dancing, young music enthusiasts take turns spinning around the ball field with a wagon filled with friends enjoying the first official summer weekend.



Ed Jackson on guitar with the Weathervanes entertains the gathering crowd at the Mount Vernon Community Center field.

Winds of Change At Landmark

Once thriving mall braces for redevelopment.

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE
GAZETTE PACKET

When West End resident Daniel Daughtry's watch broke, he did the same thing people across the country do — he headed for the local mall. Parking was no problem because the mall has a huge lot with row after row of unused spaces. But when Daughtry walked into the main entrance for his first visit to Landmark Mall, he discovered an ailing patient. The down-on-its heels shopping mall has more closed stores than open ones. People are few and far between.

"It's pretty dead, pretty lame, in here," said Daughtry, who recently moved to Alexandria. "And it's strange to see all these closed up

stores."

When it opened in 1965, Landmark Mall was the first retail center in the region to feature three anchor department stores: Sears and Roebuck; the Hecht Company, now Macy's; and Woodward & Lothrop, later J.C. Penney, then Lord & Taylor. The ribbon cutting happened on a sweltering August day and featured Alexandria Vice Mayor Nicholas Colassanto and Lt. Gov. Mills Godwin, who was in the midst of his first campaign for governor.

"A Glad Day At Landmark," announced the headline on the front page of the Alexandria Gazette the next day.

For many years, the mall was a thriving place. Stores included Bond Clothes, Casual Corner,

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Bike to the Future

Alexandria rewrites rules for cyclists.

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE
GAZETTE PACKET

Do bicycles belong on the street or on the sidewalk? It's an age-old debate — or at least a conversation that's been going on since bicycles were invented. Here in Alexandria, it's complicated by uneven historic bricks and scores of cyclists that cut through Old Town as part of Mount Vernon Trail. This week,

city leaders are hoping to bring some new clarity to the issue.

"When appropriate, ride on the street," said Mayor Bill Euille. "When not appropriate, jump on the sidewalk as long as it's not in the restricted area."

Until members of the Alexandria City Council took action to change the ordinance this week, riding on the sidewalk was prohibited. That caused a problem for younger or less confident cyclists, who wanted to avoid being run over by a DASH bus. So the new ordinance creates a set of new rules for cycling off the street. Critics say the old rules were better.

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Hensley Field is one of the city's most popular recreation sites, with three baseball fields and one multi-purpose field nestled between the Capital Beltway and Eisenhower Avenue just west of Cameron Run.

But that may change soon.

Last week, a developer known as the St. James Group submitted an unsolicited proposal to construct a new entertainment and recreation facility on the city-owned property. The developer has already scheduled a community meeting to sell the idea to the public.

"This is putting the cart before the horse," responded Mayor **Bill Euille**. "We are moving too fast here."

The proposal for the 15-acre site includes aquatics, ice rinks, field house, baseball, basketball, racquet, golf, climbing, gymnastics, track, wellness services, childcare and retail. But it would also cut into the city's supply of open space, a move that would come at a time when council members recently ditched a dedicated source of funding for purchasing new open space.

"It's not like we are growing land like some people grow beef," said Vice Mayor **Allison Silberberg**.

While some members of council feel that it's too soon to start having community meetings to sell community members on the proposal, Councilman **Tim Lovain** said the What's Next Alexandria Initiative suggested Alexandria should work to involve community members earlier in the process rather than later.

"Here it is. This is our chance to involve the community earlier," said Lovain. "The alternative is to hush it up."

The community meeting is scheduled to take place at the Holiday Inn on Eisenhower Avenue at 6:30 p.m. on July 1. Council members are expected to determine whether or not they want to issue a request for proposals in the fall.

Olympic Alexandria

Alexandria has a lot of runners. And recent years have seen a lot of races — the George Washington Classic, the Colin Casey 3K, the Ragner Relay and the Woodrow Wilson Half Marathon, just to name a few.

"From my perspective," said the mayor, "we have too many races."

Nevertheless, council members approved a new one this week — the USA Track and Field National Road Racing Championship. The race is a season-capping 12-kilometer event to the USA Running Circuit, a series of championship races featuring star distance runners. "You can expect some Olympic athletes to be coming through the streets of Alexandria, and really bring a national class sporting event to the city," said **Kathy Dalby**, managing partner at Pacer's Running Store. "And that's really exciting."

Although race organizers were considering using Commonwealth Avenue as part of the course for the race, neighbors pushed back and the Alexandria Police Department worked with race organizers to chart a new course. The current design avoids Commonwealth altogether. "We're trying to mitigate the concerns of residents," said Sgt. **Joe Seskey**. "And we always try to tweak these races so we can come up with the best routes."

Spoke Change

This week, members of the Alexandria City Council began an effort to do away with a long-standing — but rarely enforced — requirement that bicycle owners register their vehicles with the city. Back in 1963, city leaders adopted a city code that required all bicycle users to register with the city and pay a 25 cent registration fee. If that person sold the bike, a 10 cent transfer fee applied.

"The requirement in city code dates back to a much earlier time when bicycles were more rare," said Deputy City Attorney Chris Spera. "They were more like cars than they are today. Having a bicycle was a big deal."

Police Chief **Earl Cook** says the department abandoned enforcing this ordinance long ago, even if it's still on the books. Cook, who grew up in Alexandria, said he does not remember ever registering his own bikes as a young man.

"Twenty five cents was a lot of money when I was growing up," said Cook. "That was five movies!"

— MICHAEL LEE POPE



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Former director of the Alexandria Black History Museum Eugene Thompson served as master of ceremonies for the program.

Hall of Fame Dedicated at Center

The lobby at the Charles Houston Recreation Center was bursting with guests for the dedication and unveiling ceremony of the new African American Hall of Fame and Mural on Saturday afternoon, June 22.

More than 70 names of individuals and architectural structures appear in the new displays. Mayor Bill Euille, in a letter to the selection committee, noted: "Individuals, living or deceased, are honored for the significant strides made in their own lives, their contributions to the quality of life in the city's African American community, or their impact on the lives of African Americans in the City of Alexandria."

The Charles Houston Recreation Center Ad-Hoc Naming Committee includes: Julian Haley, Robert Dawkins, Louis Hicks, Andrew Winfree, John Taylor, Sheila Whiting, James Beatty, Gwendolyn Henderson, James Henson Sr., Dorothy Turner and Catherine Ward. Chosen for the Alexandria African American Hall of Fame are: Andrew W. Adkins, Helen Lumpkins Day, Ferris Holland, Dr. Rutherford H. Adkins, Arnold Thurmond, Charles Price, Edward L. Patterson, Jacqueline LaMarr Henry-Green, Dr. Arthur Dawkins, Edward "Jose" Hernandez, Harry Burke, Eugene Thompson, Carlton A. Funn Sr., Nellie Brooks Quander, Ardelia Hunter, Christine Howard, William D. Euille, Earl Cook, Ferdinand D. Day, Judy Belk, Marie Bradby, Mable Lyles, Adrienne Terrell Washington, Cathy Grimes Miller, Judge Nolan Dawkins, Dr. Thea James, Eudora Lyles, Ella O. Lewis, Dorothy Turner, Thomas "Pete" Jones, Olander Banks Sr., John Wesley Jackson, Richard A. Diggs, Charles A. Hall, Arthur Bracey, General Leo Austin Brooks Sr., Thomas H.



Kenny Cross says hello to Dorothy Turner.

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The mural and hall of fame are permanent installations at the Charles Houston Recreation Center and may be viewed during the center's regular operating hours.



Hall of Fame honoree Arthur Dawkins performs a few musical selections with his quartet during the program.



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Winds of Change at Landmark

FROM PAGE 1

People's Drug Store, Raleigh Haberdasher, Thom McAn Shoes and Waldenbooks. In 1990, it was enclosed to be an indoor mall. Since that time, though the mall has fallen into a slump mirroring the national trend away from enclosed shopping malls. Store after store closed, and then the mall lost a major anchor when Lord & Taylor shut its doors.

"The only people who come here are foreigners," said Arjay Armani, who works at a kiosk known as MyPhoneFix, a kiosk inside the mall. "So that's why you see a lot of mom and pop stores."

ALL THAT is about to change. Earlier this month, the Alexandria City Council approved a plan to redevelop the struggling mall. The 11-acre site will be transformed into an open-air, mixed-use community with retail, residential and entertainment components. The idea is to create a kind of urban village that has now replaced shopping malls as destination centers across the country. Although city leaders are excited about the prospect, the businesses that are still in operation at the struggling mall view the situation from a different perspective.

"I'm disappointed," said Laurie Noufal, who has owned a hair salon in the mall for more than 20 years. "Yes, we want to see development. Yes, we want to see the city of Alexandria do much better and look much better. But it's a challenge to us."

Noufal was here when the mall converted from a strip mall to an enclosed structure. In those days, the parking lot was full, and the storefronts were all occupied. And even though most of the mall is a ghost town, Noufal has loyal customers who make regular visits to the mall. Unlike many of the other stores that rely on foot traffic, she has customers who will come to Landmark just to visit her salon. And parking is never a problem.

"They say they are going to take it down by June," she said. "So we have to be out by next June. We



A new plaza will accommodate larger special events such as fairs, farmers markets, craft fairs and antique shows.

don't have much time."

REDEVELOPMENT AT LANDMARK has been on the agenda of city leaders for more than a decade. Back in 2004, General Growth Properties had plans to redevelop the mall. The city responded by creating an advisory group that eventually led to the Landmark/Van Dorn Corridor Plan, which recommended that the site have tall buildings, a mixture of commercial and residential uses, a more pedestrian friendly circulation pattern, and a transit hub.

Then the bottom fell out.

When the global financial meltdown happened in 2008, General Growth Properties went belly up. By April 2009, the business was in bankruptcy and plans for redevelopment were shelved — at least for the moment. In the reorganization of assets owned by General Growth, ownership of the mall was transferred to a spin-off company known as the Howard

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A grid of new streets will accommodate pedestrian-friendly shopping.

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Mall Braces for Redevelopment

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Hughes Corporation, a Dallas-based developer founded by the famous and reclusive aviator. “Our vision is to breathe new life into Landmark and the surrounding area,” said John Simon, executive vice president of strategic planning for the Howard Hughes Corporation.

The 750,000-square-foot redevelopment of Landmark will include 285,000 square feet of retail, 400 residential units and an upscale dining movie theater. Sears and Macy’s will continue to anchor the property, a fact that slowed the planning process because the two anchor retailers own the land where their stores are located. So the redevelopment will demolish only the existing retail space located between Sears and Macy’s, replacing it with residential and retail uses in an open air design. A new street grid will be constructed, and city transportation officials are planning a transit center that will accommodate bus-rapid transit for two separate corridors.

“We all understand the challenges you had to work with and the developers had to work with because of some less-than-cooperative property owners,” Councilman Paul Smedberg told city transportation officials during the public hearing. “So it created a lot of challenges.”

AS PART OF THE DEAL, the Howard



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Lieutenant Governor Mills Godwin and Alexandria Vice Mayor appear at the ribbon-cutting ceremony on Aug. 4, 1965.

Hughes Corporation will contribute \$4.5 million to local causes and projects in Alexandria. Investments include \$500,000 for the Landmark Transit Center, \$500,000 in pedestrian and bicycle paths, \$200,000 in public art projects, \$1 million bus-rapid transit and pedestrian access, \$150,000 in aesthetic improvements to the Landmark flyover ramp and \$2 million into the city’s affordable housing fund.

“This project will be the economic engine to bring vitality to this major retail center and the surrounding neighborhoods, which is long overdue,” said Alexandria Mayor Bill Euille.

City Rewrites Rules for Cyclists

FROM PAGE 1

“Why would you put pedestrians in danger just to let bicyclists use the sidewalks?” said Parker Gray resident Dino Drudi. “Bicyclists don’t even drive safely when they are on the street.”

NOW THE RULES say that bike riders must yield to pedestrians and give audible warning before they pass. Although cycling on the sidewalk is OK for most of Old Town, it’s strictly prohibited in commercial zones. That means no bicycles on the sidewalks on King Street between West Street and the Potomac River. It’s also forbidden on Union Street between Prince Street and Cameron Street.

“I don’t think outside these areas we will have the complaints,” said Rich Baier, director of the Department of Transportation and Environmental Services. “The behavior will change.”

More changes are on the horizon for bike regulations. Now that council members have taken action, city officials will be moving forward with notification on maps, signs and a new website. The idea is to get the word out to bicycle riders about when and where it’s appropriate to go off road. And city officials are taking steps to do away with an outdated requirement that cyclists register their vehicles with the city and pay a 25-cent registration fee, an ordinance that the Alexandria Police Department has long

Want to Ride on the Sidewalk?

- ❖ Must yield to pedestrians
- ❖ Must give audible warning
- ❖ Prohibited in commercial zones

since abandoned enforcing despite the fact it’s still on the books.

“The national registry became a better option than what we were doing locally,” said Police Chief Earl Cook. “When the law doesn’t become useful and practical, then we should not enforce it.”

AND MORE restricted zones may be in the works, increasing the number of areas that are off-limits to the two-wheel set. City officials say proposed zones should have a high volume of pedestrian activity, more than 150 people an hour. They also need to have a significant percentage of the block within the zone containing commercial development. And then there are also areas where sidewalks might be relatively narrow, five feet or less.

“They went about this backwards,” said Drudi, who lives on a street with a narrow sidewalk. “On day one of these new rules, almost every sidewalk will be eligible for bicyclists to ride on, even the ones that are inappropriate. They should have kept the status quo and built on that instead of making such a radical change.”

CARING FOR OUR Watersheds™ 2013 Contest Winners Announced

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2	\$900	Frankenfish	H-B Woodlawn Secondary Program
3	\$800	Rain Gardens	Centreville Elementary School
4	\$700	Bean There Grown That	George Washington Middle School 2
5	\$600	Scare-Beasts Scare Geese	Kenmore Middle School
6	\$500	Rain Check	George Washington Middle School 2
7	\$450	Hit the Lights	George Washington Middle School 2
8	\$400	More White Oaks for a Greener Community	Kenmore Middle School
9	\$350	Rooftop Garden	Kenmore Middle School
10	\$300	Lincolnia Community Garden	Lincolnia Community Center

Chamber Awards Spotlight Acts of Valor

Laboy, Weissman
among honorees
for heroism.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN
GAZETTE PACKET

The Alexandria Chamber of Commerce recognized first responders from the Alexandria Police Department, Fire Department and Office of the Sheriff at the 27th Annual Valor Awards held June 13 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel.

More than 275 attendees were on hand as 21 awards were presented, including a Gold Medal presented posthumously to EMT Joshua Weissman for his heroic actions and exceptional performance in the line of duty.

On Feb. 8, 2012, Weissman was part of a response team dispatched to the site of a car fire on Interstate 395 near Glebe Road. On what was a cold and icy night, he fell 30 feet between two bridge spans in an attempt to reach the burning vehicle. Despite extraordinary efforts by members of Rescue 206, Weissman succumbed to his injuries the following day.

During a sobering presentation, EMS Supervisor Kelsea Bonkowski accepted the Gold Medal, one of only 31 presented in the history of the awards, on Weissman's behalf.

Also receiving an award was APD Officer Peter Laboy, who was shot in the head Feb. 27 during a routine traffic stop in Old Town.

The crowd rose to its feet as Laboy, still undergoing extensive rehabilitation, accepted a Silver Award for his skill in negotiating a volatile and lengthy suicide situation with an armed subject in the 5300 block of Taney Ave. on Oct. 4, 2012.

"There was no doubt he was going to put his uniform on and be here today," said



Police Chief Earl Cook, Sheriff Dana Lawhorne and Fire Chief Adam Thiel are joined onstage by Mayor Bill Euille, Chamber of Commerce CEO John Long, Chamber chairman John Renner and emcee Alison Starling for a photo with the 2013 Valor Awards honorees June 13 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Old Town.

Laboy's wife Suzanne. "The men and women here today are his family and he misses them all tremendously."

This is the second Valor Award for Laboy, who was awarded a Silver Medal in 2002.

"It's an honor to be here today," Laboy said. "And I am thankful to everyone for the support shown to me and my family."



Police Chief Earl Cook, center, with APD Officers Anthony Gorham and Peter Laboy.

Police Officer Peter Laboy gets a congratulations kiss from his wife, Suzanne, following the Alexandria Valor Awards June 13. Laboy was awarded a Silver Medal for heroism related to a September 2012 incident.



Sheriff Dana Lawhorne presents Deputy Sheriff Brian Bell with a Life Saving Award.



EMS supervisor Kelsea Bonkowski, right, accepts a Gold Medal for heroism from Fire Chief Adam Thiel on behalf of Medic Joshua Weissman, who lost his life in the line of duty Feb. 9, 2012.



Fire Chief Adam Thiel poses with the first responders who were recognized for their heroism during an incident that claimed the life of EMT Joshua Weissman. From left, Chief Thiel, Lt. David Bogozzi, Firefighter Kenneth Salfelder, Firefighter Chizoba Okoli, Medic Charlie Cura and EMS Supervisor Kelsea Bonkowski.



Cynthia and Frank McGrigg, who earned a Bronze Medal for heroism.

BUSINESS MATTERS

Landing the Big Fish

Why did the National Science Foundation leave Arlington and move to Alexandria? The answer to that question is relatively simple — money. In an all-out effort to woo the foundation, city leaders put together a tax-incentive package that will save the federal government \$65 million over the 15-year term of the lease and another \$35 million in relocation costs provided by the developer.

“Clearly the federal government is shrinking,” said Deputy City Manager **Mark Jinks**. “If we are going to grow, the new normal is looking at how we do economic development differently.”

Alexandria offered the developer a \$23 million tax abatement, which city leaders say will bring in an additional \$50 million in taxes from the foundation building and surrounding neighborhood. They also hope the foundation will anchor a new Eisenhower Avenue “Science Redevelopment District.” Arlington County Manager **Barbara Donnellan** responded by sending a letter to the acting administrator of the General Services Administration asking that the federal government continue negotiations so Arlington can be reconsidered. “We’ve heard from a neighboring jurisdiction a bit of sour grapes that this was somehow extraordinary and unprecedented,” Councilman **Tim Lovain**.

Not so, responded Jinks.

“Offering it for federal government agencies probably would have been unusual five years ago,” responded the deputy city manager. “But we’re increasingly seeing people realize that their development plans aren’t going to automatically happen if they just sit and wait.”

New Tax Panel

The old saying notes two things certain in life, death and taxes. But perhaps there’s a third certainty — businesses will always complain about being taxed too much.

That’s why City Councilmen **Justin Wilson**, **Tim Lovain** and **Paul Smedberg** circulated a memorandum this week outlining plans for a new Study Group on Business Tax Reform. The group will make recommendations on making changes to how businesses are taxed and what kinds of incentives are used to attract businesses to the city. “With both candidates for governor now offering differing plans for business tax reform initiatives, we believe the timing is right for consideration of efforts to reform the city’s business tax structure to ensure our success in the future,” the memo explains. “As we learned from our successful courtship of the National Science Foundation, tax policy can play a significant role in our successful attraction of businesses, both large and small.”

The memo was circulated in the hours before Tuesday night’s meeting, which caused some consternation among members who felt like they needed more time to consider the options. But this week’s meeting was the last before the summer recess, so council members felt it was important to go ahead and create the task force so it could come up with some recommendations before the city manager submits his next budget in February. The councilmen originally suggested it be relatively small and consist of representatives from the business community.

“It looks like it’s kind of packing the committee for a particular outcome,” said Councilwoman **Del Pepper**. Council members eventually decided to give the city manager discretion to determine what kind of members might be appropriate.

Massaging the Rules

It may seem kinda stodgy today, but Old Town Alexandria was once known for drugs and crime. Many people of a certain age say their parents forbade them from ever stepping foot into the neighborhood, a place that was known for prostitution and drunkenness. Things have changed, of course. But many of the city’s rules from that era have not. Take the ordinance that requires inspection of massage therapy establishments and permitting of massage therapists. Proprietors of an earlier era might have used the title with a wink and a nod. But these days, the field of massage therapy has become a respected profession — one that’s regulated by the Virginia Department of Health Professions.

“Arlington County deregulated massage last year,” noted City Manager **Rashad Young**, adding that the Board of Nursing is responsible for making sure massage therapists are free of “moral turpitude.” Council members are set to formally repeal the ordinance this fall.

— MICHAEL LEE POPE

NEWS



Members of American Legion Post 24 take the oath of office during the installation of 2013-2014 officers and board members June 12 in at the Legion’s headquarters in Old Town.

PHOTOS BY
JOHN NAPOLITANO

Legion Installs New Officers

Glassman to lead veterans organization.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN
GAZETTE PACKET

Vietnam veteran Jim Glassman was sworn in as the new Commander of American Legion Post 24 in Alexandria during a June 12 ceremony to install the organization’s 2013-2014 slate of offices and board members.

“American Legion Post 24 has been helping the veterans of our community since 1920,” Glassman said. “We look forward to doing more to honor those who have and continue to serve our country.”

Glassman, who was named Virginia’s Legionnaire of the Year, was sworn in by Dan Dellinger, the leading candidate for National Commander of the American Legion. Glassman takes over from past Commander Bill Aramony.

In addition to Glassman, newly elected officers include: Scott Allen, first vice commander;



PHOTO BY JEANNE THEISMANN/GAZETTE PACKET

American Legion Post 24 Commander Jim Glassman with Dan Dellinger and outgoing commander Bill Aramony.

Jerome Schorr, second vice commander; Jesse Stevens, third vice commander; Adjunct Dick Evans; and finance officer Doug Gurka.

Held at the Legion’s ballroom in Old Town, officers for the Sons of the American Legion and the Auxiliary Unit 24 also took the oath of office.

Frank Tobin will lead the SAL members, with Steve Artley as first vice commander, Alexandria Cup-

cake owner Adnan Hamidi as second vice commander, Burke and Herbert vice president Walter Clark as finance officer and Frank Felker as Adjutant.

Auxiliary officers include: Melissa Schermerhorn, president; Linda Cahill, treasurer; Amber Stevens, vice president; Autumn Lloyd, secretary; and Pamela Bartz as chaplain.

www.VALegionPost24.org.



Officers of the Post 24 Auxiliary are sworn in by Margaret Dellinger during the June 12 installation ceremony.

Bon Appetite

2nd annual Food and Wine Festival attracts thousands.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN
GAZETTE PACKET

More than 5,000 people attended the second annual Alexandria Food and Wine Festival June 22, which was held in the Carlyle District of Alexandria.

The festival featured entertainment by Duende Camaron and Flamenco while local artisans displayed their wares and arts and crafts activities were provided in the Children's Corner.

The Westin Hotel's Trademark Restaurant won Best Appetizer for its Bacon Candy; Walker's Grille won Main course with a Scallop Dish; and Dessert was won by Alexandria Cupcake.

Other participating restaurants included La Tasca, Clyde's at Mark Center, San Antonio Bar & Grille, Rita's Ice, Theismann's Restaurant and Bar, Whole Foods, Crepe Deli



Edy Lopez turns over Halloumi skewers on the grille for Theismann's Restaurant & Bar.

and Railstop Gastro Pub.

This year's judge panel included ABC7/WJLA news anchor Scott Thuman, 94.7 Fresh FM Kelly Collis from The Tommy Show, Lisa Shapiro from Dining in DC, and Molly Ahern from DC foodie site The List Are You On It.



Clyde's at Mark Center chef Jay Allen prepares crab cakes.

The Wine Garden featured samples from 14 wineries with all profits being donated to ALIVE!

"It's a little hot but I'm having fun," said 10-year-old Kathryn Ouimet, who was visiting from Valley Forge, Pa., with her family. "I'm glad we came."



Ten-year-old Kathryn Ouimet of Valley Forge, Pa., gets her face painted during the Food and Wine Festival.

Cousins and owners of Walker's Grille, Jason Musleh and Sam Misleh served up the judges choice of "best entrée of the festival" with pan seared divers scallops on creamed corn with truffle oil and micro greens.



Trademark chef Matthew Miller steps back and enjoys a refreshing fruit drink after preparing the judges choice of "Best Appetizer" the bacon candy with Willie Johnson.



Keith Gross hurries to prepare another sample of the Whole Foods entrée of Bulgogi marinated beef barbeque with soy sauce, ginger, garlic, black pepper, chili flakes, sesame oil and onions.



Alexandria Cupcake owner Adnan Hamidi serves a cupcake to Eindra Khin Khin during the Alexandria Food and Wine Festival. Hamidi's cupcakes won Best Dessert.



Bob Shellhouse on guitar performs with the band Handpainted Swinger.

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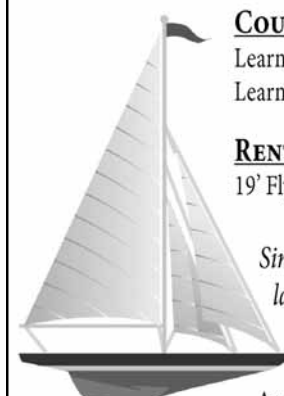
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OPINION

Ready for Your Pet's Close-up?

The Pet Gazette, a bi-annual themed edition, will publish July 24. We invite you to send us stories about your pets, photos of you and/or your family with your cats, dogs, hamsters, snakes, lizards, frogs, rabbits, or whatever other creatures share your home or yard with you.

Tell us the story of a special bond between a child and a dog, the story of how you came to adopt your pet, or examples of amazing feats of your creatures. Can your dog catch a Frisbee 10 feet in the air, or devour an entire pizza when you turn your back for less than a minute?

Do you volunteer at an animal shelter or therapeutic riding center or take your pet to visit people in a nursing home? Tell us about your experience.

You can also take this opportunity to memorialize a pet you have lost.

Send photos and identify everyone in the photo including the pets and tell us what is happening in the photo, and include your address (we will only print the town name).

Submissions should arrive by July 18.

Email editors@connectionnewspapers.com, or submit photos and stories directly on our website at www.connectionnewspapers.com/pets/.

Careful While Going Faster

If you have driven on the new 495 Express Lanes, you might wonder if the people who decided to raise the speed limit to 65 have driven on them. At the current prices, the Express Lanes are appealing whenever you really need to get somewhere and you have doubts about the flow of traffic.

But the first few times you drive on the Express Lanes, they are confusing. Which Tysons' exit do I take for the Ritz Carlton? Will it be on the left or the right? When I get off, will I have to deal with a stop light, a stop sign or a

merge? What on earth is the driver next to me doing? The express lanes are not attracting as many drivers as predicted, so now there is the added incentive of being able to go faster in those lanes than on the rest of the Beltway where the speed limit is 55 even if there isn't backed up traffic on the other lanes.

Changes July 1

Many actions of the 2013 General Assembly go into effect July 1.

Here are three things to know that kick in July 1:

- ❖ Sales tax increases to 6 percent in Northern Virginia to help pay for transportation.
- ❖ Texting while driving becomes a primary offense, meaning that you can be pulled over if an officer sees you using your phone or thinks you are texting because you are looking down.
- ❖ Mandatory minimum sentence of one year in jail for those repeatedly convicted of driving (or boating) under the influence. (Repeatedly in this case means the third time.)

EDITORIALS

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Unaware of Federal Law?

To the Editor:

Your story of June 20 by reporter Michael Lee Pope, headlined "An Alternative for Alternative B," raises some very serious concerns about the planning process in Alexandria. For months city officials have pushed for "Alternative B" as the site of the Potomac Yards Metro Stop, apparently assuming

they could use George Washington Parkway land as a staging area and the parkway itself for accommodating construction truck traffic. Now the National Park Service has pointed out that federal law, specifically Section 106 of the Transportation Act, forbids the kind of uses that would have been required.

The federal law in this instance is not a secret. A simple inquiry months ago to the Park Service

would have revealed this obstacle. As a result of this unexplained ignorance by Alexandria officials, the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) has been delayed by many months while adjustments are being made in its contents.

As a participant in one of the "consulting parties" meetings some weeks ago on the Metro siting, a consultation required under Section 106, I, along with others present, were aware of the federal

law and its provisions. Why weren't responsible local authorities similarly aware?

My surmise is that city officials were hoping to bring pressure through U.S. Rep. Jim Moran on the Park Service to achieve their objectives. Mr. Moran, to his great credit, has stood by the Park Service and the law. As a result, no GW Parkway land will be used as a construction site, nor will construction vehicles be rumbling down the parkway itself. This is a positive outcome.

Still to be decided, however, is the fate of an adjacent parcel of land that is owned by the city but was given to the Park Service as a "scenic easement" some time ago in part to help shield the roadway from visual "pollution" from Potomac Yard. Sight line experiments show that building a Metro Stop at Alternative B clearly would intrude visually on the parkway. This and other issues undoubtedly will be discussed extensively when the EIS finally is issued, presumably this fall.

We are left, however, with the nagging question: What didn't city officials know and, for goodness sake, why didn't they know it?

Jack Sullivan
Alexandria

Need To Address Running Tracks

To the Editor:

The following is an open letter to Alexandria City School Board members.

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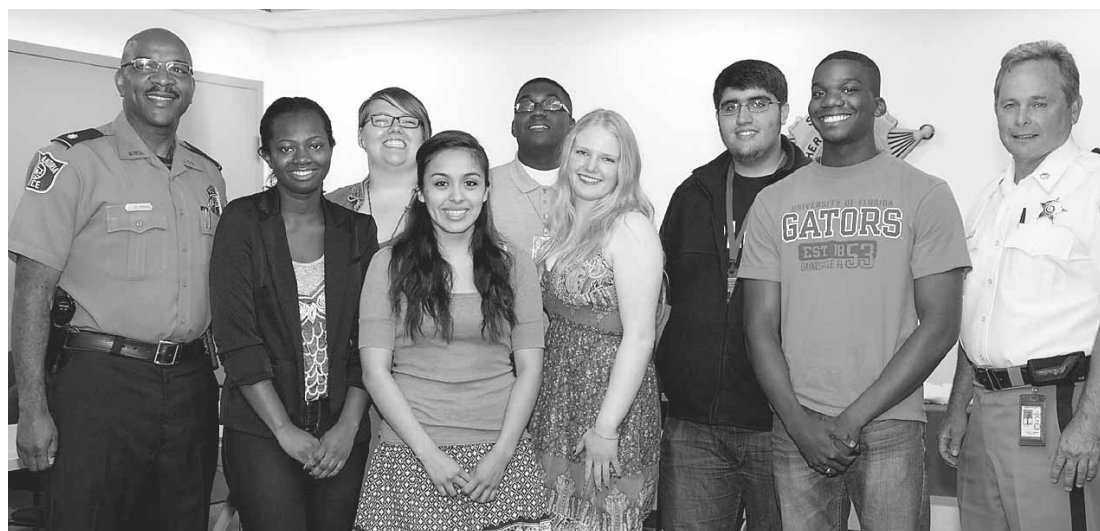


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Criminal Justice Experience

From left: Deputy Chief Cleveland Spruill, Abi Osei, Courtney Booterbaugh, Jacqueline Tapia, Rodney Thomas, Katja Shimkin, Meelad Yousufzai, Sean Thomas and Undersheriff Tim Gleeson celebrate the T.C. Williams students' senior experience with the Alexandria Police Department and Alexandria Sheriff's Office. From May 20 through June 7, the seven students spent their school day working with criminal justice professionals at Alexandria Police Headquarters, the William G. Truesdale Adult Detention Center, the Northern Virginia Criminal Justice Training Academy and the Alexandria Courthouse. They went on ride-alongs with patrol officers and sheriff's deputies and observed the 911 call center operated by the Department of Emergency Communications.

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LETTERS

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You will be pleased to know that Alexandria School system students performed well at the Hershey Track and Field Event on June 22. The 4x100 team from Mount Vernon Recreation Center was barely edged out and took second place. The team from Charles Houston Recreation Center finished in third place. An Alexandria student also took first place in the long jump. They should be commended.

What happened before the race is the purpose of this letter. Days prior to the race, the team looked for a place to practice. They went to the George Washington Middle

School Track, and faced with appalling conditions, were unable to practice there. They went to the T.C. Williams High School, only to find the school was having a large function and the parking lot totally full. They then went to Francis Hammond Middle School as the only other location in the entire city with a running track. While the track was in excellent condition, a lack of the regulation markings on the track prevented them from practicing the baton hand-off crucial to a relay race. Nonetheless, they made do with what they had, and went on to proudly represent themselves and the city. Would a properly marked run-

ning track have been able to make up the less than one-second difference between the winner and second place? We will never know, but hopefully future track athletes will not have to ask, and the running track at Francis Hammond will receive the regulation markings it needs and deserves.

Gary Carr

J-H Appreciates Community Support

To the Editor:

The following is an open letter to the Alexandria community.

Jefferson-Houston is a school community with great pride and promise. Amid the difficult moments we have faced over the past year, we have felt great support from so many community members who have reached out to us with their time and expertise. They have poured their hearts and minds into teaching and mentoring our children, and for that, the Jefferson-Houston community is truly grateful.

As we finish this school year, the Jefferson-Houston Leadership and PTA

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Alexandria's Welcome Mat for Mr. Snowden

BY HARRY M. COVERT

Aw shucks. Just when it looked like Alexandria would be "home" to another spy he's slipped through the grasp of authorities.

The late night bulletin hit all news media. A federal espionage warrant for Edward Snowden had been issued. It came under the direction of the federal court in Alexandria. Heavy duty business.

It was quite certain, many thought, that U.S. Marshals would be on the job, allowed to do their job and swiftly nab him. Problem No. 1? The fellow was still in Hong Kong.

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Still it was exciting to know the alleged computer wizard was going to have his day in court and everybody would be glued to the reporting how this guy could get lots of secrets onto thumb drives. Now, it appears his arrival will be later instead of sooner. The reason for the delay? Complications with extradition rules and political derring-do with Russia, Cuba and Ecuador.

Through no fault of the U.S. Marshals, Mr. Snowden was enjoying the courtesies of the Hong Kong government, overseen by the Chinese government. Not good.

Alexandria's history with secret-stealing Americans for the former Soviets goes back many years. These people, convicted as traitors,



were tried in the city's fast-action federal court. They now reside in the highest security federal prisons. The life terms are not being served in sweet and nice penitentiaries or what some would like to describe as houses

of correction. There are no work release programs for them. They are fortunate to have avoided the ultimate prices of times past.

While the U.S. Department of Justice seems to have bungled Snowden's arrest and extradition plans for the moment, those charged with rounding up such dangerous people are champing at the bit. As this is being written, the subject, Mr. Snowden, is awaiting political asylum in Moscow, Havana or Quito, capital of Ecuador.

Stealing secrets is not a good thing. Such conduct is more than whistleblowing.

Snowden grew up in Maryland's Anne Arundel County. It is interesting that his computer wizardry landed him highly-paid jobs with the CIA, NSA and a government contractor for such agencies.

If history is to be remembered, his future is not bright. No matter how he and/or his legal counsel want to portray his leaking secrets, he will become a blip on a computer screen. He seems to be bragging on how he has hurt the U.S.

He will not be considered a patriot.

The day will come when he is captured, placed in handcuffs and leg-irons and brought by a marshal's Learjet to the William G. Truesdale Adult Detention Center of the Alexandria Sheriff's Office.

His outward appearance may be smug and without regrets, but the bottom line is he could pay with a severe life of scorn, incarceration and solitude and be well-acquainted with restraints.

For a short while he may enjoy life in a South American refuge. He will always be looking over his shoulder. The day he makes a slip, let's his guard down, the marshals will be there. His computer days will be over and his home could be in a cell ranging from 77 to 87 square feet in the Florence, Colorado Federal Supermax prison. No rehab there. Among the former inmates of the Alexandria jail now in the Supermax are Robert Hanssen, an FBI agent convicted of spying for the Soviets, and Zacarias Moussaoui, the 9/11 terrorist. These two are not role models of any sort.

There will be no welcoming party for Snowden in the Alexandria Jail with the exception of the duty commander and deputies. The serious business of law enforcement, federal prosecution and jail reality will be the order of the day or night under the efficiency of Sheriff Dana Lawhorne's staff.

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would like to take a moment to recognize the many members of the community who have given their time to our students this year. Below is a list of our official volunteers, and we know there are many more people who have supported our students and teachers. You have enriched our children's lives and made our school a better and stronger community.

Alexandria Tutoring Consortium Book Buddies: Loretta Britten, Stephanie Chin, Julie Duke, Anne Duke, Susan Davis, Jeff Elder, Martha Johnson, Jermaine Mincey, Eloise Payne, Lisa Schumaier, Mary Smirnow and Patti Turner.

Jefferson-Houston 21st Century Community Learning Center: Lauren Bishop, David Doll, Officer Esposito, Kendra Jones, Jen Karanian, Andrew Kelley, Nancy Lorentz, Mark Reilly, Allison Taylor, Jenifer Thompson, Juan Valentin, Erica Williams and Rodney Williams.

Super Saturday Tutors: Beth Coast, John Dresen, Kelly Dresen, Keil Gentry, Gillian Goree, Linda Kelly, Gene Lange, Jane Malik, Nate McKenzie, Clark Miller, Kathleen Partovi, Rene Paschal, Mary Powell, Elizabeth Powell, Mattie Powell, Emma West, Craig Witmer and Kennetra Wood.

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OPINION

So Long, Farewell ...

BY JANET BARNETT
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
SENIOR SERVICES OF ALEXANDRIA

After five and half years, I will be leaving my position as executive director of Senior Services of Alexandria at the end of this month. It has been my sincere pleasure and a true honor to serve in this capacity.

I believe strongly in the organization's mission which is "to foster independence and self-sufficiency, enabling seniors within the City of Alexandria to age with dignity." I believe together with our dedicated staff, board of directors, incredible volunteers and loyal donors, we are providing necessary services to enrich the lives of seniors in the City of Alexandria.

I am proud of the way that SSA has grown in the past five years, including expanding Meals on Wheels delivery to seven days a week plus holidays. We have established a very popular Speaker Series for seniors, their family members and caregivers. Just this past year, we launched the Friendly Visitor Program that helps allay senior isolation. The Senior Resource Center answers questions, make referrals and conducts outreach activities across the city — just check out the senior corner the next time you are at your local library. Also, SSA's annual gala is one of the "best parties" in the city honoring generations of Alexandrians with over 350 attendees, a great silent auction and lots of dancing and fun.

I will be forever grateful to the Alexandria community for your support and generosity to SSA. I hope that you will continue to remember this great organization with your time and financial resources. I know that our 46-year-old organization will continue to thrive for another 46 years and more. Mary Lee Anderson and Donna Walker James will be the primary contacts. You can reach them at 703-836-4414.

SSA will always have a special place in my heart as will our loyal Gazette Packet readers. Thanks for the memories!



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Thank you. We hope to see all of you again in September.

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Open Space Vigilance

To the Editor:

Normally, ribbon-cutting ceremonies are very mundane events to draw attention to a new super-market or the naming or re-nam-

ing of a street.

But sometimes they can be a red-letter day, worthy of acclaim and attention for the efforts the event is trying to celebrate.

Such was the case on a sunny June 15, when the mayor and five of the council members snipped a yellow ribbon at 5325 Polk to commemorate a winning battle that citizens waged for over 13 years. Thanks to wide-spread civic involvement, this 2.3 acre site — the last heavily forested parcel in all of Alexandria — will now permanently be an Open Space Preserve. Gone are the threats of massive development that envisioned this space as a new home for 17 townhouses or 11 condominiums or 42 apartment units that would have risen 68 feet above the sidewalk. In the process, more than 162 mature trees that anchor the marine clay soil would have been cut down, with erosion and neighborhood flooding a likely result.

Instead, we saw an all-too-rare example of massive community engagement where residents pointed to this unique ecological environment and the need to save these pristine woods which is a place for a quiet visit amidst urban chaos. And politicians, appointed officials and city staffers listened to hours of testimony

pleading for recognition, and, in a bold move, voted to Save This Space.

Ironically, it was an initially negative move that led to this positive outcome. The city has lost six acres of Open Space at the Winkler Preserve in the West End in order to construct the BRAC military facility. And, although that land was independently assessed for \$14 million to \$16 million, the Army provided only \$1.5 million to mitigate that major loss and they stipulated only two conditions: 1) the land had to be in the West End, and 2) the parcel had to be used for Open Space. The Beauregard Rezoning Advisory Group (BRAG) set up a competitive process for candidates for those funds, and the 5325 Polk site won unanimous approval from first BRAG, then the Planning Commission and finally the City Council. We applaud the council members — past and present — who listened to the residents and voted to preserve this land, adding \$400,000 from the city's Open Space Fund to the Army's \$1.5 million for the purchase.

City Naturalist Rod Simmons noted at the dedication that some of the stately oaks in the preserve

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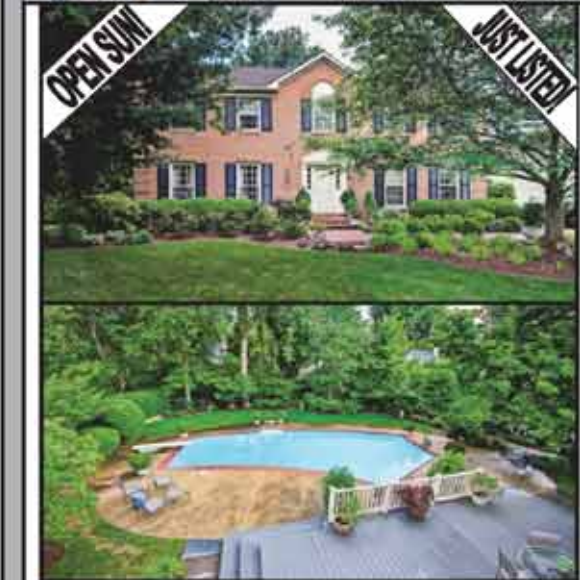


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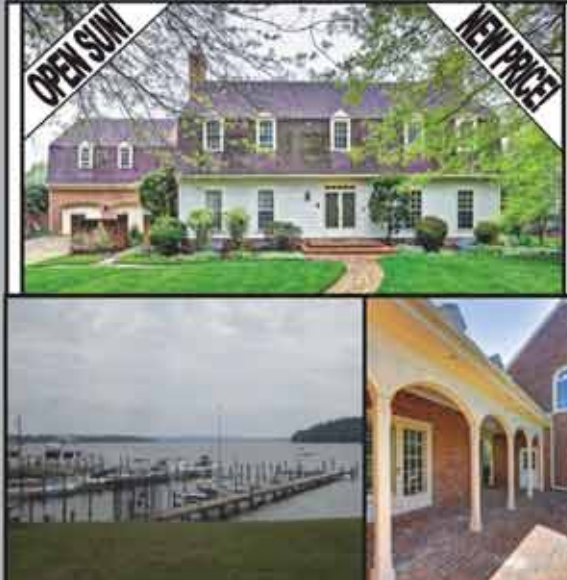
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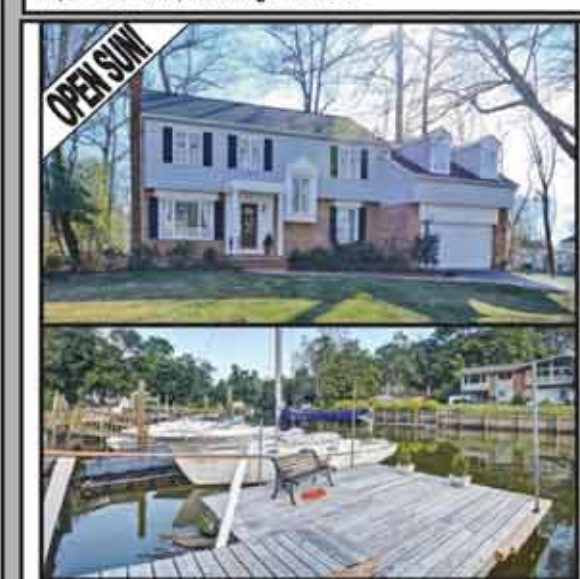
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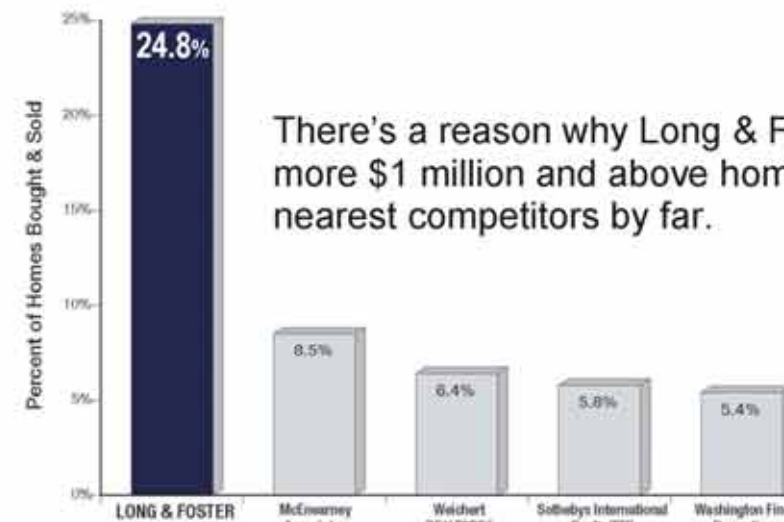


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PEOPLE

Let the Music Play

10th anniversary Garden Party cultivates ASO support.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN
GAZETTE PACKET

The Alexandria Symphony Orchestra's 10th annual Garden Party drew more than 175 people to the Belle Haven home of Isin and George E. Ludlow June 20 in an event that capped the 25th anniversary celebration of Maestro Kim Allen Kluge.

"When I came here 25 years ago, [ASO board members] Ann and Roy Snyder said 'We are not the backwaters of D.C. We are leaders and deserve the best for our citizens,'" Kluge told the crowd. "It was a bold move back then and part of what I came to see as the 'can-do' spirit of this community."

ASO musicians provided entertainment with catering by La Bergerie and Del Ray Café. A silent auction was followed by a live auction with Craig Dyson acting as auctioneer.

"Our supporters have been very generous," Dyson said. "We have some amazing items up for auction."

Attendees surveyed auction tables set up around the pool and expansive gardens, with the live auction excitement building over vacation trips to locales including Key Largo, Nantucket, Wintergreen and the Bahamas.

The ASO will kick off its 70th anniversary season Oct. 5 with the first of its "Dreamers and Visionaries" concerts. The season will include renowned violinist Sarah Chang, local favorite Carlos Rodriguez on piano and Matthew Harding on trumpet. Kluge himself will make a rare appearance as soloist in "Rhapsody in Blue."

"I've been a supporter of the symphony



Kathryn and Maestro Kim Allen Kluge at the Alexandria Symphony Orchestra Garden Party fundraiser June 20 at the Belle Haven home of George and Isin Ludlow.

for many years," said former city councilman Frank Fannon. "Alexandria is very fortunate not just to have our own symphony but to have one of this caliber."

In addition to its regular concert schedule, the ASO will present several community performances, including the upcoming Alexandria Birthday Celebration at Oronoco Bay Park July 13, and the Children's Holiday Concert in December.

"With this spirit of support in our community comes enormous responsibility," Kluge said. "I honor all of you who share that responsibility with me to ensure that our children and our children's children will be able to enjoy cultural treasures and music of lasting value."

For more information on the ASO and upcoming performances, call Jessica Wisser at 703-548-0885 or visit www.alexsym.org.



Jay and Jan Test.

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JEANNE THEISMANN
GAZETTE PACKET



Grady Frank and Maestro Kim Allen Kluge share a laugh at the ASO Garden Party fundraiser.



Craig Dyson conducts the live auction portion of the event.



Forrest Williams and honorary event chair Patsy Ticer.



Hostess Isin Ludlow, left, with Gant and Fran Redmon.



Event co-chair Margaret O'Grady and ASO board chairman Ronal Butler.



Frank Fannon and Larry Alberson.



Kathryn Kluge and Donnan Wintermute.



Former U.S. Sen. John Warner visits with Ellis Duncan.



Mary McAuliffe raises her hand to place a bid during the live auction.

REAL ESTATE FOCUS: SUMMER 2013

Housing's Roaring Rebound? Pent-up demand creates seller's market for Northern Virginia.

BY VICTORIA ROSS
GAZETTE PACKET

In February, Patricia Stack, a broker with Weichert Realtors, held an open house for a single-family home for sale in Vienna just listed for \$739,000. Within three hours, more than 70 people toured the home.

"The home went under contract substantially above list price," Stack said. "2013 has started with a bang in Northern Virginia real estate. In fact, it appears to be a market more like 2005-2006 than anything we've seen since," Stack said.

"Buyers seem finally to be realizing that prices have bottomed out and the current combination of low prices and historically low interest rates will likely not be repeated in our lifetimes," Stack said.

Alison Sherman, an agent with Keller-Williams in McLean, is seeing the same trend. In the spring, she sold a home in Vienna in three days with multiple offers.

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— Patricia Stack

The 5-bedroom Colonial, built in 1976 on Ferol Drive, listed for just under \$1 million, and sold \$132,000 above list price.

"It's a great time to sell your home. Statistics show the average sales price is up and the average days on market are down," Sherman said.

Buoyed by low mortgage rates, low regional unemployment, growth in the number of households and rising consumer confidence, the residential real-estate market in Fairfax County and the rest of Northern Virginia has rebounded in a big way.

Unlike the last five years, demand is up and supply is down. In fact, in some particularly desirable neighborhoods, the transition from a buyer's market to a seller's market is all but complete.

Call it the new "reality in realty."

"There is an oversupply of buyers and less inventory right now in the market," said Anil Khanna, a real estate broker with Champion Homes Realty in Chantilly. "I have seen it to



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be a seller's market based on the number of offers I have seen with the properties that I have bid on for buyers."

Khanna added that low interest rates are beginning to rise, and that has created a sense of urgency with buyers.

According to Freddie Mac, the rate for a 30-year, conventional, fixed-rate mortgage rose to 3.54 percent in May from 3.45 percent in April.

"Many buyers are trying to purchase something this year rather than next, due to the anticipated increase in interest rates," Khanna said.

Despite some similarities to the boom period in housing nearly a decade ago, market conditions that led to the housing bust are vastly different, according to national housing experts.

"The boom period was marked by easy credit and overbuilding, but today we have

tight mortgage credit and widespread shortages of homes for sale," said Gary Thomas, president of the National Association of Realtors.

"The issue now is pent-up demand and strong growth in the number of households, with buyer traffic 29 percent above a year ago," Thomas said. Lawrence Yun, chief economist for the National Association of Realtors, said existing-home sales are at the highest level since November 2009, when the market jumped to 5.44 million as buyers took advantage of tax stimulus.

Sales have stayed above year-ago levels for 23 months, while the national median price shows 15 consecutive months of year-over-year increases.

"The housing numbers are overwhelmingly positive, especially in markets such as Northern Virginia, where employment is strong," Yun said.

New Construction Key Indicator of Housing Rebound

Adding to the good news about the housing market is the increasing number of infill developments and new construction, "housing starts," in Fairfax County. According to real estate economists, housing starts are one of the leading predictors of overall economic stability and growth.

A June 6 report released by Metrostudy, a national housing data and consulting firm, reports that housing starts are up sharply in Fairfax County: This year, there were 386 starts in the first quarter of 2013 compared to 143 in the first quarter of 2012, a 170 percent increase.

In addition to housing starts, almost every other housing indicator has trended up from May 2012 to May 2013 in Fairfax County, according to Real Estate Building Intelligence (RBI) — a company that analyzes market trends and statistics from the Multiple Listing Service.

In Fairfax County in the past year:

- ❖ The total volume of homes sold jumped 32 percent, from \$729 million to more than \$950 million.

- ❖ The average price for a home increased nearly 10 percent, from \$469,000 to nearly \$550,000.

- ❖ Average days on market dropped a steep 30 percent from 39 days to 27 days.

- ❖ New "under contracts" jumped 31.56 percent, from 450 to 592.

The median sales price for homes in Alexandria for March to May 2013 was \$420,000, an increase of 10.2 percent, or \$39,000, compared to the prior quarter and an increase of 6.3 percent compared to the prior year,

"The housing numbers are overwhelmingly positive, especially in markets such as Northern Virginia, where employment is strong."

— Lawrence Yun, chief economist for the National Association of Realtors



Anil Khanna



Patricia Stack



Alison Sherman

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New Homes

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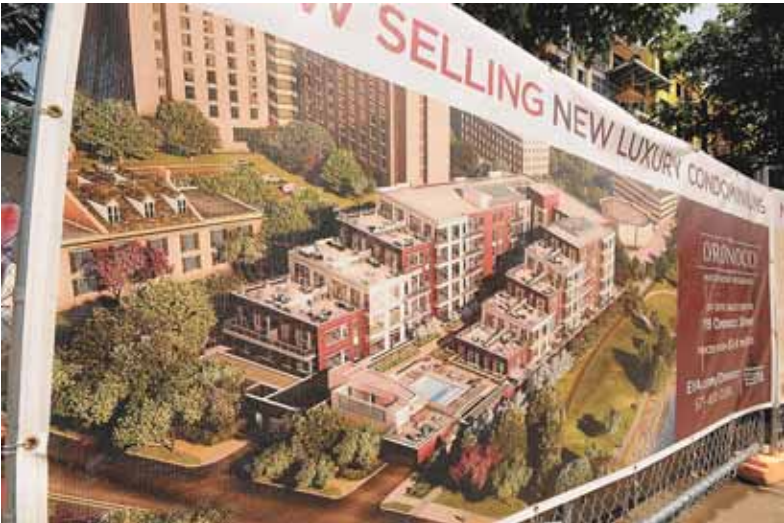
4 Oak Grove, Alexandria, VA 22314 — From \$2,134,900 — CRAFTMARK HOMES



9 Burgundy Woods, Mount Vernon, VA 22310 — From \$720,000 — NV HOMES

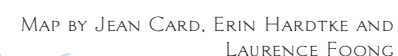


12 Riverwood at Ferry Point, Mount Vernon, VA 22309 — From \$990,000 — NV HOMES



3 The Oronoco Waterfront, Alexandria, VA 22304 — From \$1,029,900 — EYA

Community	Builder	Price	Postal City	Zip
1 Coopers Grove	CALVERT LUXURY HOMES	From \$1,029,900	Alexandria	22304
2 Del Ray	CALVERT LUXURY HOMES	From \$1,399,900	Alexandria	22304
3 The Oronoco Waterfront	EYA	From \$1,400,000	Alexandria	22314
4 Oak Grove	CRAFTMARK HOMES	From \$2,134,900	Alexandria	22304
5 The Isabella at Monticello Mews	McWILLIAMS BALLARD	From \$269,900	Alexandria	22312
6 Potters Glen	EVERGREENE HOMES	From \$500,000	Alexandria	22310
7 Potomac Yard	PULTE HOMES	From \$638,580	Alexandria	22301
8 Old Town Commons	EYA	From \$700,000	Alexandria	22314
9 Burgundy Woods	NV HOMES	From \$720,000	Alexandria	22310
10 Hollin Hill Village	EVERGREENE HOMES	From \$900,000	Alexandria	22308
11 Printers Row	McWILLIAMS BALLARD	From \$949,900	Alexandria	22314
12 Riverwood at Ferry Point	NV HOMES	From \$990,000	Alexandria	22309
13 Mount Vernon Park	NV HOMES	From \$930,000	Alexandria	22309
14 Dominion Heights	CHRISTOPHER COMPANIES	From \$300,000	Arlington	22207
15 The Eclipse at Potomac Yard	COMSTOCK HOMES	From \$500,000	Arlington	22202
16 Court at Lyon Village	EVERGREENE HOMES	From \$900,000	Arlington	22201
17 Marquette	KESWICK HOMES	From \$2,300,000	Great Falls	22066
18 The Pond at Beach Mill	CREEKSTONE	From \$2,800,000	Great Falls	
19 Reserve at Oakton	EVERGREENE HOMES	From \$900,000	Herndon	20171
20 East Gate	M/I HOMES	From \$350,000	Chantilly	20152
21 Villas at East Gate	COMSTOCK HOMES	From \$300,000	Chantilly	20152
22 Dawson's Corner	NV HOMES	From \$650,000	Chantilly	20152
23 Arcola Center Townhomes	RYAN Homes	From \$372,990	Dulles	20166
24 Burke Lake Crossing	CHRISTOPHER COMPANIES	From mid-\$700,000	Burke	
25 Penderbrook Square	COMSTOCK HOMES	From \$200,000	Fairfax	22033
26 Metrowest	PULTE HOMES	From \$542,890	Fairfax	22031
27 Foster, A&S Crest	STANLEY MARTIN	From \$567,990	Fairfax	22031
28 Cameron Glen	STANLEY MARTIN	From \$614,990	Fairfax	22030
29 Main Street Residences	COURTLAND HOMES	From \$699,000	Fairfax	22030
30 Mosaic District	EYA	From \$700,000	Fairfax	22031
31 Autumn Willow	RYAN Homes	From \$899,000	Fairfax	22033
32 Fairfield Manor	STANLEY MARTIN	From \$859,990	Fairfax	22031
33 Autumn Willow	NV HOMES	From \$890,000	Fairfax	22033
34 Lake Hill Farms	N.V.P	From \$800,000	Fairfax County	22079
35 Hampton Reserves	RYAN Homes	From \$879,990	Fairfax Station	22039
36 Meadow Branch	INTEGRITY HOMES	From \$350,000	Hayfield	22601
37 Spring Hill	DEL WEBB	From \$200,000	Lorton	22079
38 Spring Hill Condos	PULTE HOMES	From \$208,990	Lorton	22079
39 Harrison Hills	CHRISTOPHER COMPANIES	From \$650,000	Annandale	
40 Tysons Overlook	CARR HOMES	From \$689,900	Falls Church	22043
41 Chesterbrook Manor	MADISON HOMES	From \$1,675,000	McLean	22101
42 Grace Manor Court	KESWICK HOMES	From \$1,800,000	McLean	22102
43 Oakton Heights	EVERGREENE HOMES	From \$1,200,000	Oakton	22124
44 West Oaks	EVERGREENE HOMES	From \$1,400,000	Oakton	22124
45 The Reserve at Waples Mills	CAMBERLY HOMES	From \$1,479,900	Oakton	22124
46 The Reserve at Waples Mills	WINCHESTER HOMES	From \$1,479,900	Oakton	22124
47 Oakton East	STANLEY MARTIN	From \$709,990	Oakton	22124
48 The Estates at Stuart Mill	CAMBERLY HOMES	From \$1,599,900	Oakton	22124
49 Hunting Crest	NV HOMES	From \$1,200,000	Vienna	22182
50 Maymount	BASHEER AND EDGEMOORE	From \$1,500,000	Vienna	22182
51 Wedderburn Estates	COURTLAND HOMES	From \$1,115,000	Vienna	22180
52 Pickett's Reserve	COURTLAND HOMES	From \$1,220,000	Vienna	22180
53 Willow Oaks	BASHEER AND EDGEMOORE	From \$1,200,000	Vienna	22182
54 Virginia Manor	NV HOMES	From \$400,000	Aldie	20105
55 Lenah Mill- The Villages	TOLL BROTHERS	From \$559,995	Aldie	20105
56 Lenah Mill- The Carolinas	TOLL BROTHERS	From \$607,995	Aldie	20105
57 Lenah Mill- The Executives	TOLL BROTHERS	From \$688,995	Aldie	20105
58 Willowsford Vintage Series	INTEGRITY HOMES	From \$704,990	Aldie	20105
59 Huntleigh at Creighton Farms	STANLEY MARTIN	From \$714,990	Aldie	20175
60 Loudoun Station	COMSTOCK HOMES	From \$1399/month	Ashburn	20147
61 Potomac Green	DEL WEBB	From \$250,000	Ashburn	20147
62 The Villages at Broadlands	VAN METRE	From \$300,000	Ashburn	20148
63 The Preserve Goose Creek Villas	LENNAR	From \$300,000	Ashburn	20148
64 Morley Corner	RYAN Homes	From \$334,990	Ashburn	20147
65 Brambleton: Brownstone	MILLER AND SMITH	From \$400,000	Ashburn	20148
66 Stonagate	NV HOMES	From \$400,000	Ashburn	20147
67 One Loudoun	CAMBERLY HOMES	From \$450,000	Ashburn	20147
68 One Loudoun:Central Park West	MILLER AND SMITH	From \$450,000	Ashburn	20147
69 Brambleton: Noble Pointe	MILLER AND SMITH	From \$550,000	Ashburn	20148
70 One Loudoun: Downtown	MILLER AND SMITH	From \$550,000	Ashburn	20147
71 Belmont Glen Village	CRAFTMARK HOMES	From \$600,000	Ashburn	20148
72 Ashburn Place	M/I HOMES	From \$600,000	Ashburn	20147
73 The Boulevard at Brambleton	CAMBERLY HOMES	From \$300,000	Brambleton	20148
74 Courtland Rural Village	LENNAR	From \$300,000	Leesburg	20175
75 Selma Estates	STANLEY MARTIN	From \$549,990	Leesburg	20176
76 Raspberry Falls	VAN METRE	From \$600,000	Leesburg	20176
77 Stone Fox Estates	CRAFTMARK HOMES	From \$700,000	Leesburg	20175
78 Greene Mill Preserve	STANLEY MARTIN	From \$759,990	Leesburg	20175
79 Shenstone Reserve	TOLL BROTHERS	From \$829,995	Leesburg	20175
80 Westend at Stone Ridge	VAN METRE	From \$250,000	Lorton	20105
81 Overlook at Lowes Island	STANLEY MARTIN	From \$499,990	Potomac Falls	20165
82 South Riding	TOLL BROTHERS	From \$342,389	South Riding	20152
83 Autumn Oaks	RYAN Homes	From \$404,990	Sterling	20166
84 Little Falls Place	EYA	From \$1,300,000	Bethesda	20814
85 Quarry Springs	Can't determine builder	From \$1,800,000	Bethesda	20817
86 Symphony Park at Strathmore	KOITZGROUP	From \$1,250,000	Bethesda, MD	20817
87 Little Falls Place	EYA	From \$1,349,900	Bethesda, MD	
88 River Quarry in Bethesda	CARTER BUILDERS	From \$1,390,000	Bethesda, MD	20817
89 Symphony Park	MICHAEL HARRIS HOMES	From \$1,000,000	N Bethesda, MD	20852
90 White Flint Station	TOLL BROTHERS	From \$422,995	N Bethesda, MD	20852
91 Hallman Grove	WINCHESTER HOMES	From \$692,900	N Potomac, MD	20878
92 Quince Trace	PULTE HOMES	From \$565,900	N Potomac, MD	20878
93 Heritage Crossing	STANLEY MARTIN	From \$242,990	Manassas	20109



REAL ESTATE FOCUS: SUMMER 2013

Housing’s Rebound?

HOME SALES

In May 2013, 278 Alexandria homes sold between \$1,753,491-\$85,500. This week's list represents those homes sold in the \$762,000-\$502,000 range. For the complete list, visit www.ConnectionNewspapers.com

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according to Trulia. The average listing price for Alexandria homes for sale on Trulia was \$756,495 for the week ending June 12, an increase of 1.4 percent, or \$10,280, compared to the week ending May 22. In Old Town Alexandria zip 22314, the average price of a home for sale was \$1,033,158 for the week ending June 12, an increase of more than 3 percent.

In north Arlington, the average list price of a home for sale in the week ending June 12 was over \$1 million in three zip codes, 22213 (\$1,280,853), 22207 (\$1,235,897) and 22205 (\$1,002,568), according to Trulia. Overall in Arlington, prices are up, inventory of houses for sale is down.

“Buy Land. They Aren’t Making Anymore.”

This quote could not be more apt for Fairfax County.

In the past decade, while new housing developments were being built in Prince William and Loudoun counties.

Fairfax County was pretty much built out. If buyers wanted a newly-built home, they had to tear down an old one.

While land is still at a premium in Fairfax County, new infill developments have been springing up in unlikely areas such as Vienna, Oakton, Burke and the City of Fairfax.

“Demand for housing is up, and so are development applications,” said Supervisor John Cook (R-Braddock), who noticed the trend last year and formed a land use development advisory committee in his district in response to the rise in application.

“Fairfax County is pretty much ‘built out’ and infill projects are more challenging to execute,” Cook said.

Any existing pockets of land are small, and homes are often shoe-horned into tight spaces, and sometimes squeezed into existing neighborhoods. Storm water, setback, density, parking and other zoning issues become more challenging for builders.

“So, we are seeing more going on, but they are usually very difficult projects,” Cook said.

Difficult, yes, but not impossible. The persistent demand for brand new housing, coupled with buyers willing to spend, has spurred high-end builders such as Pulte and Stanley Martin to create luxury

townhomes and condominiums project throughout the county.

In January, Stanley Martin Homes announced the opening of 35 luxury townhomes in Oakton.

“Stanley Martin is reaffirming the old adage that in real estate it’s all about ‘location, location, location,’ as it’s tough to find a better Northern Virginia location than the charming and convenient town of Oakton,” said Lauri Chastain, vice president of marketing for Stanley Martin.

Within weeks of news about the new Oakton East, there were more than 300 people on the “wait list” for the homes that range in price from \$600,000 to nearly \$800,000.

Targeting empty-nesters who are looking for less square footage and less yard, but larger than the typical townhome, Oakton East offers 3,700 – 3,800 square feet of finished living space, a 2-car garage and gourmet kitchens.

The homes “look and feel like single family homes — minus the yard work,” Chastain said.

“Oakton is one of the premiere areas for brand new construction. Buyers prefer new homes over resale, but they are not easy to find,” Realtor Pat Stack said.

MetroWest in Fairfax, a Pulte development, is one of the largest luxury townhome, condominium and apartment communities in Fairfax County, with a total of 2,248 residential units slated for development on 56 acres near the Vienna/Fairfax Metro.

In addition, plans call for 300,000-plus square feet of office space and 125,000 square feet of retail, service, institutional and governmental space.

MetroWest will also feature community parks, courtyards, a rec center and at least 30 percent will be preserved as green space. Sales of the \$600,000 and up homes have been brisk.

While townhomes, condos and apartments are typical for infill developments — both because of the their small footprint and the higher price per square foot builders can charge — there are several new single-family infill developments in the county.

Local developer John Sekas has created Oakcrest Farms, located off Hunter Mill Road near Vale Road, a development of seven high-end single-family homes selling for more than \$1.5 million with at least 5,000 square feet.

The development is embedded in the original Oakcrest Farms community, which has 54 colonial-style homes built in the 1980s. Construction began last year, and

Address	BR	FB	HB	.....	Postal City	Sold Price	Type	Lot AC	PostalCode
217 MASON AVE E	3	1	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$762,000	Detached	0.17	22301
323 FAYETTE ST S	3	3	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$760,000	Townhouse	0.02	22314
932 FAIRFAX ST S	4	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$760,000	Townhouse	0.06	22314
610 WEST VIEW TER	3	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$759,900	Detached	0.11	22301
905 ALLISON ST	4	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$759,900	Detached	0.19	22302
280 MURTHA ST	4	3	2	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$756,000	Townhouse	0.03	22304
119 CLIFFORD AVE	3	2	2	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$753,000	Detached	0.08	22305
2307 SCROGGINS RD	3	3	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$752,000	Detached	0.13	22302
419 COMMONWEALTH AVE	3	3	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$750,000	Townhouse	0.05	22301
271 MURTHA ST	3	3	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$750,000	Townhouse	0.04	22304
304 WEST ST S	3	3	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$750,000	Townhouse .....	.....	22314
750 FIRST ST	2	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$749,900	Townhouse .....	.....	22314
1718 CRESTWOOD DR	4	3	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$735,000	Detached	0.13	22302
5010 WAPLE LN	3	3	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$734,000	Townhouse	0.05	22304
424 N ROYAL ST	3	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$730,000	Townhouse	0.02	22314
510 PITT ST S	2	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$730,000	Townhouse	0.02	22314
402 TENNESSEE AVE	3	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$728,000	Detached	0.15	22305
3115 RUSSELL RD	3	1	2	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$725,000	Detached	0.17	22305
601 SAINT ASAPH ST N	2	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$725,000	Townhouse .....	.....	22314
2181 JAMIESON AVE #403	3	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$725,000	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors .....	.....	22314
232 MEDLOCK LN	4	3	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$720,000	Townhouse	0.05	22304
5229 TANCRETI LN	4	3	2	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$717,000	Townhouse	0.04	22304
328 HUME AVE	3	1	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$716,000	Detached	0.12	22301
908 ENDERBY DR	2	1	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$715,000	Detached	0.17	22302
807 ENDERBY DR	4	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$715,000	Detached	0.17	22302
902 ALLISON ST	4	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$710,000	Detached	0.20	22302
1862 POTOMAC GREENS DR	3	3	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$698,500	Townhouse	0.02	22314
406 JEFFERSON ST	2	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$694,695	Townhouse	0.03	22314
2108 POTOMAC AVE #102	3	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$689,940	Townhouse .....	.....	22301
217 ALEXANDRIA AVE E	4	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$680,000	Detached	0.14	22301
5273 COLONEL JOHNSON LN	3	2	2	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$676,000	Townhouse	0.04	22304
5009 BARBOUR DR	3	3	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$670,000	Townhouse	0.04	22304
532 COLUMBUS ST	3	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$668,000	Townhouse	0.04	22314
1308 ROOSEVELT ST	4	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$662,500	Detached	0.17	22302
115 LEE ST N #302	3	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$662,000	Garden 1-4 Floors .....	.....	22314
509 FRANKLIN ST	2	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$652,000	Townhouse	0.04	22314
1613 HANCOCK AVE	3	2	2	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$651,000	Townhouse	0.04	22301
212 PARK RD	3	1	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$650,000	Detached	0.18	22301
122 CAMERON STATION BLVD	3	3	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$649,000	Townhouse	0.03	22304
2181 JAMIESON AVE #1509	2	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$641,900	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors .....	.....	22314
1019 PENDLETON DR	2	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$639,000	Townhouse	0.04	22314
334 CAMERON STATION BLVD	3	3	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$637,500	Townhouse	0.02	22304
271 MEDLOCK LN	3	3	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$635,500	Townhouse	0.03	22304
1160 PITT ST N	3	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$635,000	Townhouse	0.03	22314
811 BERNARD ST	3	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$633,000	Townhouse	0.07	22314
21 WINDSOR AVE W	3	1	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$630,000	Detached	0.13	22301
1205 MICHIGAN CT	3	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$628,000	Townhouse	0.02	22314
16 MASONIC VIEW AVE E	3	1	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$625,000	Detached	0.11	22301
1723 OAKCREST DR	4	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$620,000	Detached	0.11	22302
513 COLECROFT CT	2	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$620,000	Townhouse	0.02	22314
1806 ORCHARD ST	3	1	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$615,000	Detached	0.14	22302
4650 KELL LN	3	3	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$615,000	Townhouse	0.06	22311
309 HOLLAND LN #215	2	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$615,000	Garden 1-4 Floors .....	.....	22314
4637 KEMP CT	3	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$608,000	Townhouse	0.04	22311
118 RAYMOND AVE E	3	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$605,000	Detached	0.12	22301
5021 MURTHA ST	4	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$600,000	Townhouse	0.03	22304
513 TRIADLPHIA WAY	3	2	2	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$600,000	Townhouse .....	.....	22312
119 SHOOTERS CT	3	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$600,000	Townhouse	0.04	22314
420 GIBBON ST	2	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$599,000	Townhouse	0.03	22314
237 SOMERVELLE ST	3	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$595,799	Townhouse	0.04	22304
21 DEL RAY AVE E	3	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$587,010	Duplex	0.08	22301
334 PATRICK ST N	3	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$582,000	Semi-Detached	0.04	22314
505 WEST ST	2	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$578,000	Townhouse	0.03	22314
226 NELSON AVE E	2	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$575,000	Townhouse	0.05	22301
5230 HAROLD SECORD ST	3	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$572,000	Townhouse	0.02	22304
120 CAMERON STATION BLVD	2	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$569,000	Townhouse	0.02	22304
406 SECOND ST	3	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$568,000	Attach/Row Hse .....	.....	22314
420 SAINT ASAPH ST	1	1	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$565,000	Townhouse	0.02	22314
1015 N. PITT ST	3	2	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$565,000	Townhouse .....	.....	22314
706 AVON PL	2	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$565,000	Townhouse	0.03	22314
3291/2 HENRY ST N	2	1	1	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$565,000	Townhouse	0.04	22314
400 MADISON ST #709	2	2	0	.....	ALEXANDRIA	\$560,000	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors .....	.....	22314
1501 HANCOCK AVE	2	2	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$559,900	Semi-Detached	0.10	22301
221 DEL RAY AVE E	2	2	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$559,900	Semi-Detached	0.07	22301

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already four of the seven homes are sold.

Grant Johnson, a real estate broker for Sekas, said he has seen two types of buyers for the homes, which feature gourmet kitchens, stone fireplaces and two-story family rooms, and optional media rooms.

“We have transfers, who are coming here for the high-paying tech jobs, and buyers who live in the area who want to move up,” Johnson said. “This is an attractive location. The schools are great, we’re near Wolf Trap and Tysons, and people like it here and

don’t want to leave.”

Builders Are Optimistic

“Builders, I think they are as clued into the market as the rest of us. There is more confidence in the economy locally than we’ve seen in the past several years,” said Stack.

A gauge of confidence among home builders jumped in June, hitting the highest level since 2006, according to data released June 17.

The National Association of Home Builders/Wells Fargo housing-market index rose to 52 in June — the first time the index has reached above a key reading of 50 since 2006 — from 44 in May. Readings above 50 signal that builders, generally, are optimistic about sales trends.

“Builders are seeing better market conditions as demand for new homes increases,” said Rick Judson, NAHB’s chairman in the news release. “With the low inventory of existing homes, an increasing number of buyers are gravitating toward new homes.”

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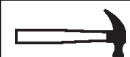
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An amended enforcement action has been proposed for TBR
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Fern Street in Alexandria, VA. The amended action seeks to
update and modify a previously issued enforcement action dated
January 3, 2006. A description of the proposed action is
available at the DEQ office named below or online at
www.deq.virginia.gov. Sarah Baker will accept comments by e-
mail Sarah.Baker@deq.virginia.gov, fax 703-583-3821, or
postal mail Northern Regional Office, 13901 Crown Court,
Woodbridge, VA 22193 from June 28, 2013 to July 29, 2013.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed bids for the City of Alexandria per specifications will
be received in the office of the Purchasing Division until the
date and time designated as follows:

Title: ITB #00000307, Uniforms for the Office of the Sheriff
Date and Time ITB Opens: July 9, 2013, 3 p.m., prevailing
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PUBLIC NOTICE VOLUNTARY REMEDIATION PROGRAM (VRP)

Property: The Madison Site
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VRP Site No: 592

VRP Applicant: EQR - Madison & Henry, L.L.C

In accordance with the Virginia Voluntary Remediation Pro-
gram (VRP) public participation requirements of 9 VAC 20-160-
120, the general public is hereby notified that the property lo-
cated at 800-849 North Henry Street, City of Alexandria, VA
22314 has voluntarily enrolled in the Voluntary Remediation
Program (VRP) and is requesting a Certificate of Satisfactory
Completion of Remediation from Virginia Department of Envi-
ronmental Quality (VDEQ). The 2.6 acre property was impact-
ed primarily by petroleum hydrocarbons related to historic on-
site storage and handling of petroleum products during glass
and bottle manufacturing operations. Voluntary remedial ac-
tivities were performed and included excavation, removal, and
proper disposal of impacted soils. Remaining soils and
groundwater beneath the site are below VRP risk-based levels.
In accordance with the VRP, site characterization and human
health risk assessments have been completed. For more infor-
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email at dberry@apexcos.com, and will be accepted for 30
days following the publication date of this notice.

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PUBLIC NOTICE VOLUNTARY REMEDIATION PROGRAM

In accordance with the Virginia Voluntary Remediation Pro-
gram (VRP) public participation requirements of 9 VAC 20-160-
120, the general public is hereby notified that the property
identified as Carlyle Block O, located at 601 Holland Lane, in
Alexandria, Virginia is working towards obtaining a Certificate
of Satisfactory Completion of Remediation from the Virginia
Department of Environmental Quality (VDEQ) through VRP.
This property is referenced by the City of Alexandria
Map-Block-Lot Number 073.04-01-03. The VRP participant is
the property owner, Post Carlyle II, LLC., who performed reme-
diation in 2010-2012 as a result of historical petroleum, arsenic
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use as part of a railroad yard and municipal landfill. The pro-
perty has been successfully remediated through the removal of
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institutional land use controls specifies that "groundwater be-
neath the property shall not be used for any purpose other than
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untary remediation who has comments or questions may call
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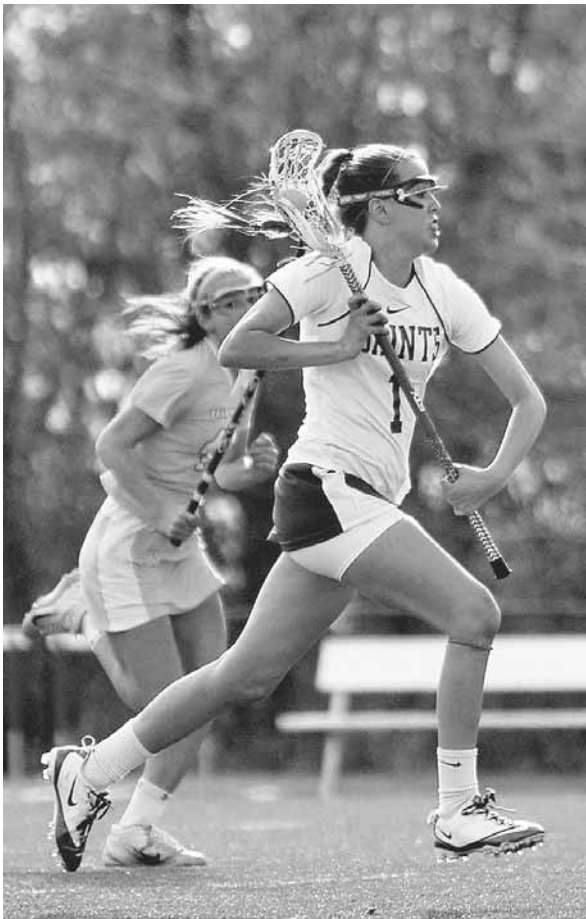


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St. Stephen’s & St. Agnes graduate Carly Reed finished her four-year high school lacrosse career with 475 goals.

Reed Preparing for All-American Game

Attacker finished prep career with 475 goals.

By JON ROETMAN
GAZETTE PACKET

Carly Reed’s goal as a freshman on the St. Stephen’s & St. Agnes girls’ lacrosse team was simply to make the varsity. Many of the Saints had played with one another during their earlier years at SSSAS, while Reed was an outsider from Alexandria Country Day School.

If Reed made the varsity, she figured she’d be the “ball girl.”

“My only goal going into high school was to make varsity,” Reed said. “I went to ACDS and they didn’t even have a lacrosse team there, so I didn’t know how I was going to do. ... I didn’t think I was going to be able to compete with [fellow Saints] at practice.”

Turns out Reed was better than she thought.

It took the attacker just two seasons to become the storied program’s all-time leading goal-scorer. When she graduated in 2013, Reed had scored 475 goals, which would be a national high school record for a four-year career according to the National Federation of State High School Associations. Reed’s 153 goals as a

sophomore in 2011 would rank second all time for a single season. She also tallied 103 career assists, giving her 578 career points.

Reed was a two-time U.S. Lacrosse first-team All-American (2011, 2012) and a three-time Washington Post first-team All-Met, including Player of the Year honors in 2012 and 2013.

Reed will attend the University of North Carolina on a lacrosse scholarship. Her older sister, Mackey Reed, also attended UNC. Reed committed to the Tar Heels as a sophomore.

“Ever since I was little, I really wanted to go there,” Reed said. “I honestly didn’t even consider another school when I was looking to play lacrosse.”

Reed said she’ll leave for Chapel Hill on Aug. 17. Before then, Reed will participate in the Under Armour All-America Lacrosse Classic on July 6 at Towson University’s Johnny Unitas Stadium. Joining Reed on the girls’ South roster are former St. Stephen’s teammates Besser Dyson (attacker, University of Virginia) and defender Wyatt Whitley (defender, Virginia). Reed will also play with several future North Carolina teammates.

RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO ADOPT AND CHANGE CERTAIN RATES, FEES AND CHARGES

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Alexandria, Virginia Sanitation Authority d/b/a Alexandria Renew Enterprises, Inc. hereby signifies its intent to change certain rates, fees and charges to become effective **October 1, 2013** and hereby sets the date of Tuesday **July 23, 2013 at 7:15 p.m.**, at the Authority’s administration office, 1500 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22314 for a public hearing to receive comment regarding same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Executive Officer is hereby directed to have published in a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Alexandria, for two consecutive weeks, notice of the proposed change in the schedule of rates, fees and charges and the day and time of the public hearing.

The proposed rates, fees and charges are:

	Current	To Be Effective Oct. 1, 2013**	To Be Effective Oct. 1, 2014	To Be Effective Oct. 1, 2015
Account Charge (Per Bill)	\$6.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Residential Customers:				
Quarterly Base Charge (Per Account)	\$25.15	\$25.15	\$25.15	\$25.15
Variable Charge (Per 1,000 Gallons)	\$6.36	\$6.51	\$6.64	\$6.77
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Commercial Customers:				
Quarterly Base Charge (Per Meter):				
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3/4"	75.45	75.45	75.45	75.45
1"	188.62	188.62	188.62	188.62
1-1/2"	377.25	377.25	377.25	377.25
2"	603.59	603.59	603.59	603.59
3"	1,131.74	1,131.74	1,131.74	1,131.74
4"	1,886.23	1,886.23	1,886.23	1,886.23
6"	3,772.50	3,772.50	3,772.50	3,772.50
8"	6,036.00	6,036.00	6,036.00	6,036.00
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** A public hearing was held on June 18, 2013 for the rates To Be Effective Oct. 1, 2013.

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Commercial	1.5	\$383.00	\$383.00	\$391.00	\$399.00
Commercial	2	\$767.00	\$767.00	\$782.00	\$798.00
Commercial	3	\$1,227.00	\$1,227.00	\$1,252.00	\$1,277.00
Commercial	4	\$2,453.00	\$2,453.00	\$2,502.00	\$2,552.00
Commercial	4	\$4,600.00	\$4,600.00	\$4,692.00	\$4,786.00

All other rates, fees and charges currently in force shall remain unchanged.

LETTERS

FROM PAGE 14

were there before the Civil War. The new preserve “is an important step in preserving the native forest canopy in the city, as well as protecting native plant diversity, essential wildlife habitat, and water resources,” Simmons said.

Thus, we’d ask those same politicians who just snapped the ribbon at 5325 Polk, affirming their support for Open Space, to seriously re-think their earlier decision to eliminate a dedicated 1 cent set aside for the Open Space Fund in future budgets. How is it that we no longer have any money for something as integral to our community as Open Space — at the same time they are voting for massive increases in height, density and thousands of new residents throughout the city, especially in the West End?

We also ask them to take another look at the 2009 Council decision that significantly reduced the Open Space Fund contribution from 1 percent of the Real Estate Tax, to 1/3 percent. As a result, the reduced amount since then has been used just to cover debt service, but not to build up the Open Space Fund.

While there is still a line item for Open Space in the upcoming budget, it will be meaningless if there is not a constant stream of funding, given how expensive one acre of land is in Alexandria. Let our politicians look at our priorities: how is

it possible to have significant funding for a private firm like Bike Share, but no dedicated revenue for Open Space? Over the summer, we welcome all Alexandria residents to walk to the top of the 5325 Polk oasis, and savor that Open Space. And then tell the politicians what your priorities, as a voter, are for the future of Alexandria.

Kathleen M. Burns
Alexandria

Who Cares About the Public?

To the Editor:

Alexandria is being run like a Wall Street bank. The last election in November was a farce from a local perspective and the result of such indifference (or should I say, such blind allegiance to one political party) is now becoming clearer and clearer.

The city’s population is rising much faster than is the amount of open space per capita, which is far below what it should be for a city of this size and wealth. City meets 100-acre target say the headlines: but, that’s not a success story but a failure. Great cities have great open spaces — we don’t!

Tree care? Take a look at the stumps

of the big old oak trees that lined the street near the soon to be rebuilt Jefferson Houston School (a project which was pushed through over the design objections of many residents there). Public housing with real open space (and trees) and playgrounds for kids is being demolished and cheap-looking new housing erected with inadequate open space.

The waterfront plan was passed over the objections of citizens that wanted to improve it. Just last week, the Board of Architectural Review approved a residential project on North Columbus Street over the objections of neighbors. The proposed new metro stop at Potomac Yards is being financed like a mortgage derivative.

Then there is the case of Hunting Towers (Hunting Point now) near Hunting Creek, which VDOT owned and has now sold. What will happen to these affordable apartments now? What’s city done to help? Little so far.

There are market forces at play here to be sure but the real push for these changes comes from City Hall and its elected leaders and the folks they align themselves with in the community. We need to hold politicians whose interests are in conflict with a real democracy responsible — as is occurring in Turkey and Brazil. Time is running out.

Andrew Macdonald

Santantonio Joins McEneaney

Wendy Santantonio has joined McEneaney Associates Inc. Realtors as a Realtor in its Alexandria office.

Santantonio grew up in Cleveland, Ohio, and graduated from Miami University with a B.S. in business. In 2000, she became an Alexandria resident. She spent the first decade and a half of her career specializing in non-profit marketing and event management. The skills she honed in this field, including contract negotiation, attention to detail, and the ability to juggle multiple responsibilities under tight deadlines, eased her transition into real estate.

She and her husband purchased their first home, a fixer upper, in Old Town Alexandria in 2003, which they share with their two four-legged family members. Between house projects, they run a DIY blog, OldTownHome.com, providing renovation tips and tutorials, decorating advice, a glimpse into the charm and character of Old Town Alexandria and surrounding areas, as well as insight into the ups and downs of a DIY renovation spanning more than a decade.

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ONGOING

Summer Classes. Art at the Center, 2804 Sherwood Hall Lane. Children ages 6-10 can participate. Register at www.artatthecenter.org or 703-201-1250.

Theater Performance. “Twentieth Century” is playing through June 29 at The Little Theatre of Alexandria, 600 Wolfe St. Call 703-683-0496 or visit www.thelittletheatre.com.

Walking Tour Devoted to Dogs. Saturdays, through June 29 at 10 a.m. at Mount Vernon Estate. All dogs on a leash can enjoy a 1.25 mile walk around the estate, and learn about canine life at Mount Vernon. \$5/for the tour plus the general admission for owners. Dogs are free. Visit www.mountvernon.org or 703-780-2000.

Art Exhibit. Through Sunday, June 30, the artists of Studio 4, Old Town, 218 N. Lee St., Suite 101, have created 2D and 3D artworks on the themes of pride and equality. Hours are Wednesday through Saturday 11 a.m.-7 p.m. and Sunday from noon-5 p.m. Visit www.facebook.com/WorkhouseStudio4 for more.

Art Exhibit. Through Sunday, June 30, see work by Patrick Sargent at Printmakers Inc. For this exhibition, Patrick Sargent brings together his military background with his artistic talents to create large woodcuts based on his experiences. Printmakers Inc. is at 105 N. Union St. Call 703-683-1342.

Art Exhibit. Through Sunday, June 30, see the exhibit “Food: Friend or Foe,” which examines the relationship we have with food. Showcases 19 works by artists from all over the country. Free. Located at Target Gallery, Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. Visit www.torpedofactory.org/target for more.

Gallery. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. daily through Sunday, June 30, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Thursdays. “Sweet Celebrations” at the Scope Gallery, 105 N Union St. Ceramic Guild members present pottery for weddings, anniversaries, graduations and birthdays. Call 703-838-4565 or visit www.torpedofactory.org.

Gallery. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. daily through Sunday, June 30, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Thursdays. Enamelists Gallery at the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N Union Street. In “Summer Joy,” enamelists work with a bright summertime palette to celebrate the intensity and everlasting beauty of enamel colors. Call 703-838-4565 or visit www.torpedofactory.org.

Art Exhibit. Running through Sunday, June 30, Target Gallery presents Food, an all-media exhibition at the Torpedo Art Factory that explores the complex relationship with food including a reception Thursday, June 13, 6-8 p.m. Torpedo Art Factory is located at 105 N. Union St. Call 703-838-4565 or visit www.torpedofactory.org.

Gallery. The Art League Gallery at the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N Union St. This juried exhibition, running through Monday, July 1, “(Con)text: Art with a Message,” features text-based work. Call 703-683-1780 or visit www.theartleague.org.

Gallery. The Art League Gallery at the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N Union Street. The Art League Gallery presents “Tabletop,” an exhibition of functional tabletop wares crafted by artists from around the country, and juried by Linda Christianson. Running through Monday, July 1. Call 703-683-1780 or visit www.theartleague.org.

Gallery The Art League Gallery at the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N Union Street Bob Tetro’s solo show, “Bob Tetro: Yellowstone Abstracted,” features photographs of Yellowstone National Park that bring the viewer close. Running through Monday, July 1. Call 703-683-1780 or visit www.theartleague.org.

Art Exhibit. Through Sunday, July 14, see “Hair Apparent” in the Athenaeum Gallery, 201 Prince St. It is a multimedia exhibit featuring sculpture, photography, performance and assemblage. Free.

Art Exhibit. Through Sunday, July 21, see “Conscious Evolution” by Denise Philipbar at Margaret W. and Joseph L. Fisher Art Gallery, located in the Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall & Arts Center, 3001 N. Beauregard St. The exhibit blends nature with science and technology. Visit www.nvcc.edu/schlesingercenter/ for more.

Gallery. Through Monday, July 29, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. daily, 12 p.m.-9 p.m. Thursdays. Multiple Exposures Gallery at the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N Union Street. Multiple Exposures Gallery presents “Michael Borek: What Would Sudek Do?,” a solo show inspired by a Czech photographer who sought beauty in places that others dismissed. Call 703-838-4565 or visit www.torpedofactory.org.

Art Exhibit. Open through Aug. 3, “Living Legends of Alexandria: African American Activists” is on display at the Alexandria Black History Museum, 601 Wythe St. Free. Hours are Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Visit www.alexblackhistory.org or 703-746-4356.

Art Exhibit. Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery is opening a juried show called “Where in the World.” In this show, artists derive inspiration from travel and adventure. Free. Through Sunday, Aug. 4. The Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery is located at 105 N. Union St. Call 703-548-0935.

National Park and Recreation Month: Open Play Days and Nights. Through Aug. 18. Tuesday and Thursday 6-9 p.m. at Ben Brenman Park Field, 4800 Brenman Park Drive and at Four Mile Run Soccer Field, 3700 Commonwealth Ave. Saturdays from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sundays noon-5 p.m. at Ben Brenman Park, Four Mile Run Soccer Field and Witter Fields, 2700 Witter Drive. Call 703-746-5402 or e-mail mac.slover@alexandriava.gov.

Art Class. Running through Saturday, Aug. 31, classes meet 9:15 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. Bring toddlers or preschoolers for guided exploration of clay, paint, collage, drawing and building in a supported studio environment. Classes held at Art At The Center, 2804 Sherwood Hall Lane. Register online at www.artatthecenter.com.

Visiting Artists. Through Saturday, Aug. 31, the Visiting Artist Program is a professional development opportunity for emerging and experienced visual artists from all over the country and provides an opportunity for visitors to interact with a rotating group of visual artists. Torpedo Factory located at 105 N. Union St. Call 703-838-4565 or visit www.torpedofactory.org.

Distillery Open. George Washington’s Distillery and Gristmill open through Oct. 1. \$17/adult, \$8/child, 5 and under are free.

Occupied City: Life in Civil War Alexandria Exhibition. At The Lyceum, Alexandria’s History Museum, 201 South Washington Street. Open daily through September, this exhibit traces life in Alexandria following Virginia’s decision to secede from the Union in May 1861. See how Robert E. Lee’s



“Enter the Orchids,” oil on canvas



“Flutter,” oil on canvas



“Sonoran Swing,” oil on canvas

Oil Paintings by Jennifer Brewer Stone

Tropical flora and fauna leap from Jennifer Brewer Stone’s canvases, engaging the viewer with vibrant color and layered compositions. These oil paintings move beyond botanical illustration and explore the physical connections between plant and animal life. “Fantasy of the Real” will be on view in The Art League Gallery Friday, July 5-Monday, Aug. 5.

Stone holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Fine Art and English Literature from the University of Maryland College Park. She is an exhibiting member at The Art League, and she paints in her studios at the Lee Arts Center in Arlington and at the Torpedo Factory Art Center.

Opening Reception will be held Thursday, July 11, 6:30-8 p.m. The Art League is located at the Torpedo Factory Art Center, on the waterfront in Old Town Alexandria at 105 N Union St. Call 703-683-1780 or visit www.theartleague.org.

hometown was transformed literally overnight from a prosperous commercial port into a supply, hospital, and transportation center for the Union Army, and find out why Alexandria became a destination for African Americans seeking freedom. Explore the experiences of Alexandrians and others who lived

here during this time, as well as period photographs and collections items. Open Monday through Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, from 1-5 p.m. Admission \$2. Visit www.alexandriahistory.org or call 703-746-4994.

Life Drawing. Del Ray Artisans offers a range of open life drawing sessions to

hone figure drawing skills. Drop-in with your supplies to draw our live models. Fee: \$8-12. View the calendar at www.TheDelRayArtisans.org.

The **West End Farmers Market** will run Sundays from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. through November. Located at Ben Brenman Park, browse food, crafts and more. Visit www.westendfarmersmarket.org. This **exhibit at Fort Ward**, located at 4301 W. Braddock Road, features objects from the museum collection, to tell this story of the event that launched the Civil War in Alexandria. Free. The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., and Sunday, 12-5 p.m. Visit www.fortwaRoad.org or call 703-746-4848.

Life in Civil War Alexandria Exhibition at The Lyceum, 201 South Washington Street. This exhibit traces life in Alexandria following Virginia’s decision to secede from the Union in May 1861. The Lyceum is open Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday, 1-5 p.m. Suggested admission is \$2. Visit www.alexandriahistory.org or call 703-746-4994.

African American Activists Exhibition. Living Legends of Alexandria is an ongoing, not-for-profit photo-documentary project created in 2006 by artist-photographer Nina Tisara to identify, honor and chronicle people making current history in Alexandria. This free exhibit is at the Alexandria Black History Museum, 601 Wythe St. The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Visit www.alexblackhistory.org or call 703-746-4356.

The Marshall House Incident Exhibition at Fort Ward Museum, 4301 West Braddock Road. The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., and Sunday, noon-5 p.m. Visit www.fortwaRoad.org or call 703-746-4848.

Photography Workshop. 10:30 a.m.-noon at Multiple Exposures Gallery on 105 N. Union Street. Photographers and enthusiasts of all skill levels are invited to share work, ideas, and questions at this free workshop held on the last Sunday of each month, except December. No reservations. Call 703-683-2205.

Culinary Arts Month Sunday Film Fest. Every Sunday in July, Charles Beatley Central Library, 5005 Duke St. All films start at 2 p.m. Free. Call 703-746-1702 or www.alexandria.lib.va.us for schedule and information.

Art Exhibit. Open in The Art League Gallery located in the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Studio 21. Photographer Bob Tetro captures the geysers and hot springs in Yellowstone National Park open through July 1. The closing reception takes place Sunday, June 30, from 2-4 p.m. For information and gallery hours Call 703-838-4565 or visit www.torpedofactory.org.

Summer Youth Programs. Metro Fine Arts Center 6450 Landsdowne Centre Drive. Classes start July 8. Call 703-339-0444 or visit www.metrofinearts.com.

Gallery. July 5 through Aug. 5 at the Art League Gallery in the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. “Fantasy of the Real,” a solo show. A reception will be held on Thursday, July 11, 6:30-8 p.m. Call 703-683-1780 or visit www.theartleague.org.

Theater. Musical production “Man of La Mancha” at the Aldersgate Church Community Theater, 1301 Collingwood Road. Shows are Fridays and Saturdays, 8 p.m. (June

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28, 29, and July 5, 6); Sunday matinees, 2 p.m. (June 30 and July 7). Adults \$18, Youth/Senior \$15. Visit <http://acconline.org>.

SUMMER CAMPS

Mt. Vernon Community Children's Theatre Summer Camp. Children can participate in either a one-week all-day session July 22-26 or a two-week session, with the option of either morning, afternoon or all day from July 1-12 (no 4th) or July 29-Aug. 9. Children will learn about all aspects of theatre through games, rehearsals and a final showcase. Visit www.mvct.org/camps.php or 703-360-0686.

The **American Backstage Company** is offering a variety of summer classes and workshops, many which are free. Located at 5380 Eisenhower Ave. Visit www.americanbackstage.com for a full listing.

Art Camp 2013 for Kids at Del Ray Artisans. Art exploration through art history, themes, influential artists. Ages 8-14 enjoy drawing, painting, sculpture, games, individual pursuits. Includes supplies, healthy lunches/snacks. Choose July 15-19 or 22-26. Visit www.TheDelRayArtisans.org/ArtCamp or email ArtCamp@TheDelRayArtisans.org. Camp will be at the Del Ray Artisans gallery at the Nicholas A. Colasanto Center, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. The gallery is handicap accessible.

Spanish Immersion Camp for Tots. Monday, July 8-Friday, July 12. Ages 3-5 will enjoy games, art and songs and more. \$325/child. Register online at www.sssas.org/smmertimesreg.

Clio's Kids: A History Mini-C.a.m.p. Tuesday, July 23-Thursday, July 25, 9 a.m.-noon for ages 5-7. \$105 includes snacks and souvenirs. Visit www.alexandriava.gov/historic/lyceum/default.aspx?id=43632 for more.

Camp Carlyle. Monday-Friday, July 22-26 from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at Carlyle House, 121 N. Fairfax St. Ages 9-12 can learn about 18th century games, clothing, schooling and more. Includes field trips to other museums in Old Town Alexandria, storytelling and more. \$300/in district child; \$350/out of district child. To register visit www.nvrpa.org or 703-549-2997.

Shakespeare Summer Camp. July 29-Aug. 2, StagePlay will be serving up its 12th year of Shakespeare this summer at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Road. Children in grades 3-6 will be introduced to "A Midsummer Night's Dream" through scene work, improvisation activities, costume play and theatre games from 1:30-4:30 p.m. Email Heather Sanderson at bardsplay@gmail.com or visit www.stageplay.tv.

THURSDAY/JUNE 27

"A Little DECOdence." Enjoy the 10th Anniversary Fostering the Future Cruise with a dockside reception at 7 p.m.; the Cherry Blossom paddle wheel boat will depart at 8:30 p.m. at the City Marina in Old Town Alexandria, Cameron and Union Streets. Enjoy dinner, drinks and dancing until 10 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by the Tower House Band. Attire is 1920s jazzy casual. All proceeds benefit The Fund for Alexandria's



Metropolitan Fine Arts Center students perform.

Child helping foster children and others at risk of abuse and neglect. \$85/adult. Buy tickets at www.decodence.eventbrite.com or 703-746-5663.

Music Performance. 8 p.m. at Old Town Theater, 815 King St. Hear Live Jazz. Buy tickets at www.oldtowntheater1914.com/home.html or 703-544-5313.

Story Time. 10:30 a.m. or 3 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Children ages 3-5 can enjoy stories, activities and more. Free. Registration required, 703-746-1702 ext. 5.

SummerQuest: Ukulele Phil and the Hula Kids. 11 a.m. at Barrett Branch Library, 717 Queen St. Children ages 2 and up can enjoy Hawaiian music and dancing. Free. 703-746-1703.

Little One-Ders. 11:15 a.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Children ages 12-23 months can enjoy stories and more. Registration required, 703-746-1702 ext. 5.

SummerQuest: Under the Sea. 4 p.m. at Burke Branch Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Children ages 6-12 can learn about sea creatures. Free. 703-746-1704.

Blockbuster Thursday. 6:30 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Free. Call 703-746-1702 for title.

World Short Story Discussion. 7 p.m. at Burke Branch Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Free. Call for title. 703-746-1704.

Eat My Dust. 10:30 a.m. at Sherwood Regional Library, 2501 Sherwood Hall Lane. Children ages 6-12 can meet Charlie Williams, vocal sound impressionist and noise making

children's comedian. Free. 703-765-3645.

Martha's Family Movie. 7 p.m. at Martha Washington Library, 6614 Fort Hunt Road. All ages can watch a film based on a children's classic book. Free. Registration required. 703-768-6700.

FRIDAY/JUNE 28

Community Dance. 7:30-9:30 p.m. at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road. Dance to a live band. \$4/person. 703-765-4573.

Comedy. 7 p.m. or 10 p.m. at Old Town Theater, 815 King St. Claude Stuart performs. Buy tickets at www.oldtowntheater1914.com/

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Delbert & Glen Duet. Delbert McClinton with Glen Clark. Birchmere, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Showtime: 7:30 p.m.; Tickets \$45. Visit www.birchmere.com.

Friday Affair at Hollin Hall. Noon-4 p.m. at Historic Hollin Hall, 1909 Windmill Lane. Browse food, drinks and other items. For more information call Gale at 202-256-5332. Free.

SATURDAY/JUNE 29

Family Dig Day. 1:30-3 p.m. Help City archaeologists screen excavated soil for real artifacts. \$5. Contact archaeology@alexandriava.gov or call 703-746-4399.

Music Performance. 8 p.m. or 11 p.m. at Old Town Theater, 815 King St. Hear Billy Hancock. Buy tickets at www.oldtowntheater1914.com/home.html or 703-544-5313.

Free healthy food event United Community Ministries (UCM) from 1-3 p.m. at the Mount Vernon Unitarian Church at 1909 Windmill Lane. The public is invited and registration is free. The event will open with a lively panel discussion about healthy food and food policy, with local food experts. Call 703-768-7106

Saturday Stories. 11 a.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. All ages can enjoy stories and songs. Free. 703-746-1702.

Grand Gaming Melee. All day at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. All ages can play a variety of games. Beginners welcome. Free. 703-746-1702.

Free Meditation Workshop. 1 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St.

Learn breathing technique and more. Free. 703-746-1702.

Air Force Concert. 8 p.m. West Potomac High School, 6500 Quander Road. The Concert Band Alumni Reunion Concert is offered as a public service. Free. Tickets not required. For more information visit www.usafband.af.mil.

Food Event. 1 - 3 p.m. at the Mount Vernon Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Lane. Renown chef of Alexandria's Restaurant Eve will attempt to make a gourmet meal out of ingredients from the United Ministries food bank. To RSVP for this event e-mail UMC at chew@ucmagency.org.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/JUNE 29-30

Theater. Metropolitan Fine Arts Center will perform "Mirror, Mirror" at the Rachel M. Schlesinger Center at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Saturday and 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Sunday. \$18-\$23. Visit www.metrofinearts.com.

SUNDAY/JUNE 30

Photography Workshop. 10:30 a.m.-noon at Multiple Exposures Gallery on 105 N. Union St. Photographers of all skill levels are invited to share work, ideas, and questions at this free workshop held on the last Sunday of each month. No reservations. Call 703-683-2205.

North Kingstown Community Chorus Concert. "Friendly Visitor's Program." at 4 p.m. at the Old Presbyterian Meeting House, 321 S Fairfax St. Free with a reception to follow. Proceeds from donations will go to the Friendly Visitor Program of its mission partner, Senior Services of Alexandria. Call 703-836-4414, ext 13.

MONDAY/JULY 1

Jason Isbell with Widowspeak. The Birchmere Music Hall is located at 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Visit www.birchmere.com or call 703-549-7500.

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY/JULY 1-3

Stop-Motion Animation Class. 10 a.m.-noon, Art at the Center, 2804 Sherwood Hall Lane. Cassie will be back in the studio July 1-3 and July 9-11. Bring toys and build sculptures to tell a unique story. Call 703-201-1250 or visit www.artatthecenter.org.

JULY 1-13

Art Class. Del Ray Artisans is offering an adult art camp with 22 workshops over 11 days, including Intro to Fashion Drawing, Intro to Visual Journaling, and Pop-Up Sewing. Workshop details and registration at www.TheDelRayArtisans.org/GUAC. All workshops will be at the Del Ray Artisans gallery at the Nicholas A. Colasanto Center, 2704 Mount Vernon Avenue, Alexandria.

TUESDAY/JULY 2

Alexandria's First Family of Beer - Then and Now. 6-8 p.m. at Morrison House, 116 S. Alfred St. The Portner sisters will share details about their great-great-grandfather's company, The Robert Portner Brewing Company, and how it is influencing their own. Free. Sample some of the beers available. Visit www.morrisonhouse.com or 703-838-8000.

THURSDAY/JULY 4

Fireworks. 12:45 p.m. at Mount Vernon Estate. Daytime fireworks at George Washington's Mount Vernon. In addition, 600 limited-edition aged George Washington Rye Whiskey bottles will be available for purchase at 10 a.m., \$185 each. Visit MountVernon.org

Plant Sale. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Plant sale hosted by the Garden Club of Waynewood will be held after the Waynewood community parade at the Waynewood Recreation Park.

July 4th Parade and Picnic. 10 a.m. at Waynewood Elementary School, following the parade at the Waynewood pool. In addition to concessions, inflatables, midway games, and plants for sale by the Garden Club, the Waynewood Founders gather for a breakfast to celebrate and reminisce. Located at 1205 Waynewood Blvd., Fort Hunt. Visit www.waynewoodrec.org.

SATURDAY/JULY 6

Alexandria Art Market. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. in Colasanto Park, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Meet local artists and hear live music. Visit www.thedelrayartisans.org/artmarket for more.

JULY 6 THROUGH JULY 28

Art Exhibit. Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N Union Street. The Target Gallery presents "Optical Studies," a solo exhibition of work by Torpedo Factory artist Ruth Gowell, winner of the Friends of the Torpedo Factory Art Center's Artist of the Year award. A reception will be held July 11, 6-8 p.m., with an artist talk and award ceremony at 7 p.m. Call 703-

838-4565 or visit www.torpedofactory.org/target.

SUNDAY/JULY 7

Concert. 7:30 p.m. at the Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Come see Swing Out Sister perform. \$35. Visit www.swingoutsister.com.

SUNDAY-MONDAY/JULY 7-8

Talk. Meet Mata Amritanandamayi, renowned humanitarian and spiritual leader at Hilton Alexandria, Mark Center 5000 Seminary Road. July 7, 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., and July 8 10 a.m. Free shuttles to and from the hotel. Visit www.ammadc.org or call 240-696-1927 for information. Free.

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Concert. Noon-1 p.m. at 44 Canal Center Plaza. Music by Wake Campbell. Free. 703-746-5592.
Author Event. Author Bob O'Connor will speak about his book "Countdown to West Virginia Statehood" celebrating 150 years of statehood. 7 p.m. at the Beatley Public Library.

THURSDAY/JULY 11

Opening Reception. 6-8 p.m. see a solo exhibit from Torpedo Factory Artist of the Year Ruth Gowell. Located in the Target Gallery, 105 N. Union St. See works in woven fiber art and kiln-formed glass. Free. Visit www.torpedofactory.org.
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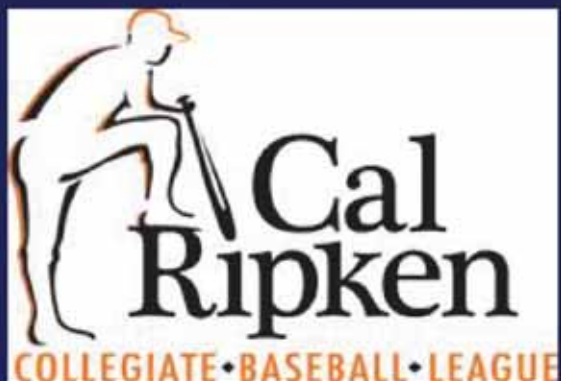
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The Kicking4Hunger soccer clinic collected food items for Carpenter's Shelter in Alexandria.

Soccer Clinic Benefits Shelter

Boys and girls from across Alexandria came out for Virginia's first Kicking4Hunger soccer clinic on June 15 at Ben Brenman Park. In lieu of an admission fee, the children, ages 6-11, were encouraged to bring non-perishable food items for Carpenter's Shelter in Alexandria.

The free clinic was organized and directed by Jack Hall, a rising senior at St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School. He brought the clinic together as a service project for the community. Jack is a soccer player on the Saints varsity team and also plays with an Alexandria travel team. He heard about the Kicking4Hunger national organization and decided to initiate the movement in Northern Virginia. A number of SSSAS students volunteered to help during the event.

Sixty boys and girls turned out for a morning of soccer drills, games, and prizes. They were coached by local high school soc-



PHOTO BY MELISSA MAAS

Jack Hall is the St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School student organizer for the Kicking4Hunger soccer clinic.

cer players and members of the Alexandria Soccer Association's U-17 travel teams. More than 300 food items, totaling 350 pounds, were collected for Carpenter's Shelter.

Kicking4Hunger.org is a non-profit organization based in North

Carolina. Founded by a high school soccer player in 2006, the organization holds soccer clinics and camps throughout the summer to provide a fun and educational soccer experience, free of charge, while simultaneously raising food to feed the hungry.

SCHOOL NOTES

Email announcements to gazette@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Thursday at noon. Photos are welcome.

Throughout Volunteer Appreciation Week, Alexandria public schools recognized their outstanding volunteers.

James K. Polk Elementary School: **Sheila Joy** tutors children two days a week. Through the Alexandria Tutoring Consortium, Book Buddies tutors **Ellen Gehrs, Arlene Shapiro, Evelyn Englander, Rosalind Singer, Reginald Jones, Diana Jarrett, Pat Sugrue, Joan Lamb, Risa Gordon, Joanne Sedor, Sissy Walker, Valerie Wright, Joan Smith, Sally Lindsay** and **Carolyn Griglione** work one-to-one with first-grade students twice a week to target specific areas in reading and writing to help strengthen the children's abilities in literacy.

Matthew Maury Elementary School: Kindergarten Book Buddies tutors **Pat Lovo, Jim Roberts, Caroline Duncan, Monica Parry** and **Andrea Lacey** work with selected kindergarten

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Lyles-Crouch Traditional Academy: Volunteers **Carolyn Miller, Vance Hall, Julia Hall, Kit Ruland, Brigid Ruland** and **Shirley Carroll** are trained through the Alexandria Tutoring Consortium's Book Buddies Reading Program to help students practice reading fluency, reading comprehension and sight word and vocabulary instruction.

Cora Kelly School for Math, Science and Technology: Book Buddies volunteers **Doug Wade, Bob Pasley, Claire Gregory, Patricia Boyle, Sue Dodge, Mary Kent, Elizabeth Davenport, Joan Baxter, Christine Muth, Susan McAdoo, Mary Ann Warner, Teresa Ebersole, Jacke**

Cohan and **Denise Hill** are paired with first-grade students with whom they work two times a week for 30 minutes. During this time, tutors teach individualized lesson plans for their students that include reading, writing and phonics.

Douglas MacArthur Elementary School: MacArthur salutes its volunteer tutors **Mary Doan, John Nakahata, Martha Shelton, Katherine Leon, Maeve O'Connor, Jo Hyman, Bob Mansell, Elaine Gort, Meredith Martino, Laura Jennings, Phyllis Welch, PK Johnson, Amy Swindell, Andrea Moore, Addis Haile, Chris Bosland, Al Anderson, Sziena Lurie, Sue Miller, Rebecca Vance** and **Lauren Jennings** and Book Buddies Tutors **Kris Clark, Dodo Ablard, Ann Principato, Linda Woodhouse, Charles Ablard, Annie Meighan-Kendrick, Michael Kenny, Louise Kenny, Maddie Christy, Iivan Garvin, Julia Peterson, Anne Ritchie** and **Wilma Goldstein**. The volunteers tutor children in reading, math and other academics as needed.

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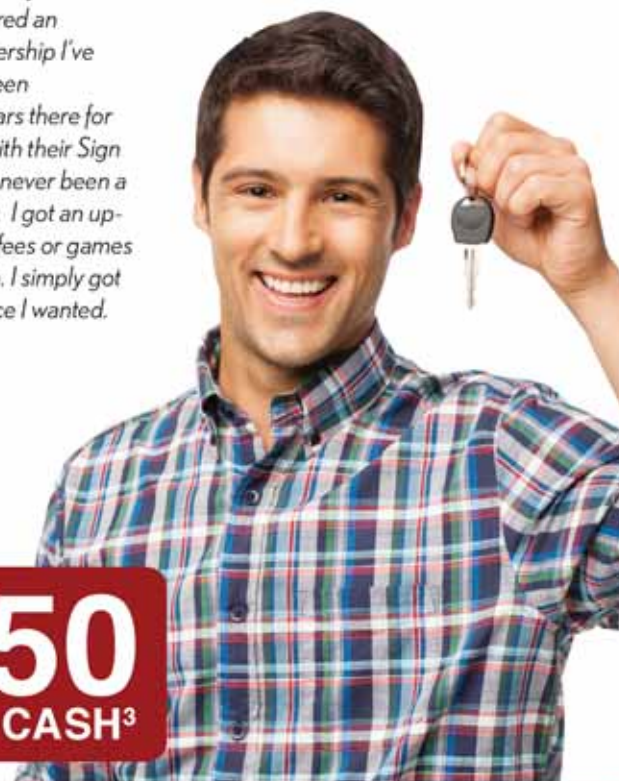
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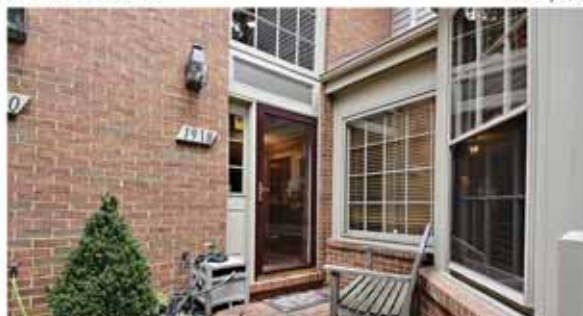
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