

PEOPLE

Crafting First Novel from West Point Experience

Arlington writer launches a series.

By Ashley Claire Simpson The Connection

erron Sims II of Arlington published his first novel on Sept. 10. First in a four-part series, Sims' book, "With Honor in Hand," is a story of two mercenaries who face a moral dilemma when they take on a mission against West Point.

"With Honor in Hand" debuted on Amazon and Barnes and Noble online, and appeared in bookstores nationwide soon after. Sims said this has been a long journey, since writing the first 10 pages of the novel during his own sophomore year at West Point to Tate Publishing and Enterprises' release of the book this month.

"I started writing this book mid-September of 1997, my sophomore year at West Point, and officially finished the book in early March of 2003," Sims said. "I wanted to finish the book before deploying to Iraq because I didn't want to risk being killed while serving our nation and not have finished it."

He said the novel he originally wanted to write took a turn in a different direction

when he remembered the words of West Point's creative writing instructors — for authors to write about what they know.

"I knew West Point, so I decided to incorporate it," Sims said. "Once I figured this out, I wrote most of the mercenary pieces at West Point, and when I graduated and had all four years behind me, I wrote all the West Point stuff."

Even though "With Honor in Hand" is a novel, a good portion of the text was based on personal experience.

"The West Point elements are 85 percent real," Sims said. "I amalgamated some people, changed the time lines of some stories, and had them apply to other people at certain times."

Sims added that there were three layers to the novel's meaning and purpose. The first was his desire to write about mercenaries, the second was to explain the deep meaning and symbolism to West Point cadet training and meal formation.

"The third was that I wanted to give homage to some of my close friends and some of my own experiences," he said. "No one knows what a cadet's life at West Point is like. It is my personal experience, which means it is real.

"Though it is different and more unique than most experiences, this was a means by which I could share how much I love West Point." The publishing process was not easy. Sims said that he finished his book before deploying to Iraq in 2003, but the agent at the time was unsuccessful in his attempt to find a publisher. He ultimately self-published the first version of his book in 2010.

Given that self-publishing was so expensive, leaving him unable to fund his own marketing, he began to look for a publisher. He found Tate Publishing, an agentless publishing company that saw something they liked with "With Honor in Hand."

After a re-write and another editing process, Sims' current version of his story was officially released.

This novel is his first foray into the published book world, and the first sequel to "With Honor in Hand" is also set to be published by Tate Publishing.

"It's a four-part series I am writing," Sims said. "I just finished writing part three two weeks ago. Then, Part Three is about Iraq, and Part 4 is going to be more about mercenaries."

He added that he also has an epic he wants to write, and then he would like to venture into the non-fiction sphere of literature eventually.

He said he is not stopping at the written word, either.

"I want to focus this time period on making movies about these books," Sims said. "That focus is going to start really soon."



Arlington author Terron Sims II

Sims, who served in the Army from 2000 through 2005, said his writing style distinguishes his book from other books about the military life.

"I don't write like other authors," he said.

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Fully Accredited (Almost) School officials were ready to celebrate victory until state included Arlington Mill High School.

By Michael Lee Pope
The Connection

he news couldn't have been better for Arlington Public Schools. Preliminary reports indicated that the Virginia Department of Education was on the verge of releasing standardized test data that would show all 31 public schools in Arlington would be fully accredited.

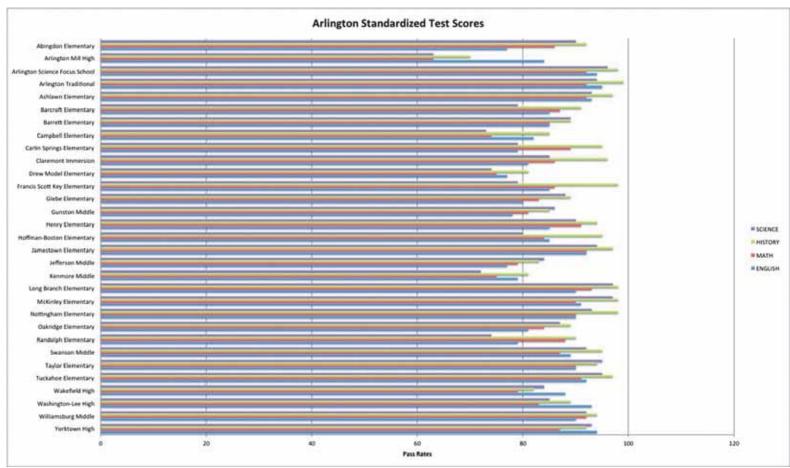
Then the bottom fell out.

Before state officials released the official report, Arlington leaders received a call informing them that they could retract the press release. One of the county's schools would not, in fact, be fully accredited. Arlington Mill High School, a first-year startup operation for nontraditional students, would receive the designation "accredited with warning" because of its graduation rate.

"We kind of argued with the state over being accredited with warning," said Connie Skelton, assistant superintendent for instruction. "This is their baseline year, so this is the first year we have ever collected data on them."

STATE ACCREDIDATION

ratings have long been a kind of gold standard for schools in Virginia. Some divisions have even created large banners to



Source: Virginia Department of Education

fly at schools proudly announcing the status. Arlington Public School leaders were ready to boast that each and every one of its schools was fully accredited, a feat that the county has never achieved and one that is almost unheard of for a division with 23,000 students.

"I'm very proud that our schools

have met this benchmark of student success," said Superintendent Pat Murphy. "Accreditation is one of the multiple ways we look at progress throughout APS."

The ratings reflect performance on the Virginia Standards of Learning tests, which are administered ever year. Students are expected to meet minimum standards in English, math, history and science. To be fully accredited, a school must have 75 percent of its students pass the English test and 70 percent. Although Arlington Mill did not meet the threshold for math, the Virginia Board of Education has approved an alternative

accreditation plan that allows the school to add all the categories together and achieve a 75 percent pass rate, a goal students exceeded by three points.

The problem was with the school's graduation rate, which

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Long-Distance Cycling for Campus Safety

Gran Fondo to raise funds for VTV Family Outreach Foundation.

By Bonnie Hobbs The Connection

ran Fondos are long-distance, group cycling rides that originated in Italy. And on Saturday, Oct. 5, the new Mosaic District in Fairfax will host the third annual VTV Gran Fondo for Campus Safety.

Presented by the VTV Family Outreach Foundation, it's open to both recreational and competitive bicyclists, who'll travel either 100- or 32-mile routes. Proceeds from the event will support VTV's mission to improve school safety across the nation and assist victims of mass tragedies.

Arlington's Omar Samaha, 29, will be among the participants, enjoying the ride www.ConnectionNewspapers.com

with the VTV Cycling Team. But for him, it's also personal — his sister Reema, a 2006 Westfield High grad, was one of the students killed in the April, 16, 2007 shooting massacre at Virginia Tech. And he's dedicating his ride to her, to everyone affected by that tragedy and to all victims and survivors of gun violence across the U.S.

"My sister was one of 32 innocent lives taken from us [that day]," he said. "These were our friends, sisters, brothers, parents and children. Our nation's universities and schools didn't seem like a safe place, anymore, so the families and survivors of the Virginia Tech shooting bonded together after the tragedy and created a [nonprofit] foundation dedicated to making our schools safer so others would never have to endure the same pain."

The Oct. 5 event is open to the public and includes food trucks, boutique vendors, music and entertainment near the finish line. Spots are available for additional vendors on a first-come basis. And if the VT football game is televised that day, it'll be

shown on Mosaic's 40-foot, outdoor Jumbotron.

The 100-mile ride to Quantico starts at 8:30 a.m., and the 32-mile ride to Burke Lake begins at 2 p.m., near the registration tent by Fresh Bikes. Both routes start and finish in the Mosaic District at 2910 District Ave. in Merrifield.

Charitable entry fees are 100 miles, \$80; 32 miles, \$60; students, 50-percent off; first-responders, 25-percent off. Cost includes refreshments, a dinner ticket at the post-ride festival, entertainment and a commemorative T-shirt. For more information and to register, go to www.VTVGranFondo.com.

Samaha and his cousin, Tommy Fadoul, are co-chairing the event, with help from Rene Cummings, Marjorie Castro and Brittany Tarzia. Previous VTV Gran Fondos were held in Blacksburg. But, said Samaha, "We wanted to bring it to this area because it's the foundation's home for cycling, and our friends and families are here, plus a lot of SEE CYCLING. PAGE 4

Omar Samaha of Arlington looks

Omar Samaha of Arlington looks forward to riding in the upcoming VTV Gran Fondo.

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Cycling for Campus Safety

Hokie fans and alumni."

This location also enables those unable to travel to Blacksburg to participate. "We hope to have 100 total riders, and we've already nearly doubled last year's total participants," said Samaha. "We have people flying in from as far away as Denver and Miami '

Besides the VTV Cycling Team, also riding will be Monte Frank from Team 26 and the Sandy Hook Riders, known for their "Ride On Washington" in March in honor of the Sandy Hook shooting victims.

"Our annual Gran Fondo ride brings 21st-century awareness around the rising, national challenges with school and campus safety," said Centreville's Joseph Samaha, Reema and Omar's father and the foundation's president. "Our plan is to expand this event into a National Campus Safety Awareness Day held in major cities and college campuses annually.'

VTV's advocacy has also secured congressional support to fund a National Center for Campus Pub-Safety in 2014. Learn more at www.VTVfamilyfoundation.org.

Meanwhile, Omar Samaha is getting ready for the upcoming Gran Fondo. "We started a cycling team a few years ago in the foundation's name to raise money for it, so we've been riding in several races," he said. "In the summer, we ride 50-70 miles almost every, single weekend. But this event is the biggest fundraiser, and doing 100 miles is different. You feel the strain and fatigue during the final 30 miles, but we break it up with five rest stops, plus food and water. The 32-mile route has two rest stops."

Getting outside on a bike is "lots of fun," he said. "You're riding with friends, talking and enjoying each other's company. And at the Gran Fondo, you're doing it while raising money and awareness, so it's very



Cousins Tommy Fadoul and Omar Samaha are co-chairing the Oct. 5 event.

community-oriented."

"We look forward to having everybody together and having a great ride for a great cause," continued Samaha. "We hope everyone can join us on that day to help support the foundation.'



Participants ride in last year's VTV Gran Fondo fundraiser.

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Author

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"I don't go into long details about things that I know readers don't care about. I'm not going to spend five pages describing the technical aspects of a satellite, because, who really cares? I will go into description about something that is more important to a particular character at a certain time."

Sims hung his Army uniform up full time after his aforementioned tour in 2005, where he said he was primarily responsible in the "revamping of municipality in Baghdad." He is now an entrepreneur involved in the Commonwealth's party politics. He is an elected member of the Democratic Party, on the 8th Congressional District Steering Committee.

He considers his goals — in all areas of his life — lofty, yet attainable with the hard work and determination he has displayed since his early days.

And though out of his hands for now, his dreams for "With Honor in Hand" are limitless.

"I want this on the New York Times Best Seller list," Sims said. "The underground version, I just did that for me. This one is for the world."

PEOPLE NOTE

Arlington County Board member **Mary Hynes** was elected vice president of the Virginia Transit Association for a two-year term. VTA provides public education and legislative advocacy to support public transportation systems throughout the Commonwealth. Its 73 members include 27 transit properties and 46 business and associate members.

At its annual meeting in Alexandria, VTA elected Newport News Council Member and Hampton Roads Transit Board Member Patricia Woodbury as president of the association. Woodbury served as vice president of the association since June 2011.

Hynes has served on the Arlington County Board since 2008. She joined the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Board in 2011, chaired the Governance Committee in 2011 and currently chairs the Momentum 2025 Working Group.

Since 2008, she has served on the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission Board and is currently a member of the executive and legislative committees. She also chairs the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments Region Forward Coalition.





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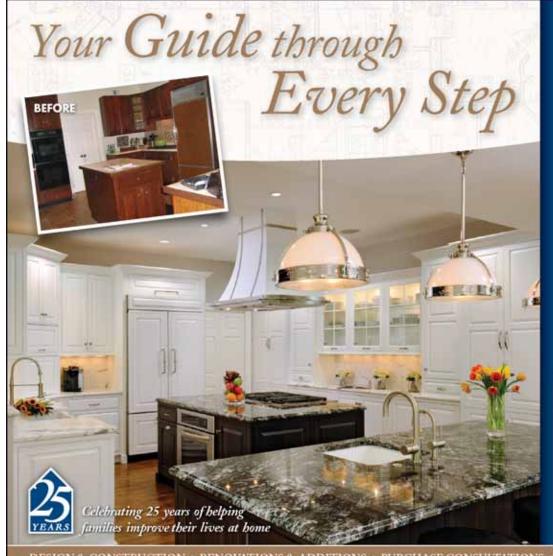
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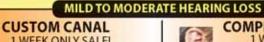
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Mini-golf Raises Scholarship Funds

More than 85 people attended the Arlington Chamber of Commerce's 8th Annual Scholar Mini-golf Tournament at the Upton Hill Regent Park on Sept. 18. All of the proceeds raised from the event supports the chamber's scholarship fund which awards high school seniors in Arlington. Elizabeth Spatz and her daughters Grace, Tess and Siobhan Cogley play in the tournament.



All participants in chamber's mini-golf tournament received orange tee-shirts with names of all sponsors contributing to event.

> Рнотоѕ ву LaShawn Avery-Simon THE CONNECTION

Fully Accredited (Almost)

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did not meet state standards.

"They are trying to meet life's challenge at same time they are trying to get an education," said Barbara Thompson, principal of Arlington Mill High School. "I am confident we will meet accreditation standards next year."

THE HISTORY of Arlington Mill High School dates back to 1929, when the county launched a night school for students who could not attend school during the day. By the 1970s, school leaders had transformed it into a high school continuation program for students who had left school and wanted to return. Over the years, it's been located in community centers thought the county, most recently at Arlington Mill Community Center. When that building was demolished,

it moved to rented office space in Ballston.

Last year, the school transformed from a continuation program into a full-fledged high school, now located at the Career Center near the Columbia Pike Library.

Students who are over the age of 18 are not counted in the graduation rate calculation, and students who speak English as a second language or have a disability can "slide" from one year to two years in terms of calculating the years it takes to graduate. Schools can also get bonus points for improving from one year to the next.

"Seven of the eight categories for bonus points involve improving performance over the previous year, but we did not have previous scores to improve upon," said Thomp-

"The only thing we gained points for was that we maintained a dropout rate of below 30 percent."

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The community helps support the Arlington Free Clinic during the 3rd Annual Clare and Don's Beach Shack fundraiser. During the event, guests were entertained with live music, raffle drawings and food. All proceeds benefit the clinic.



The 2 Ton Twig band performs at the fundraiser.

Supporting Arlington Free Clinic

Event organizer and part owner of Clare and Don's Beach Shack, Misty Tax welcomes guests as they arrive to the 3rd Annual Clare and Don's Beach Shack fundraiser on Sept. 18.

> Photos by **LaShawn Avery-Simon** The Connection



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For a Good Cause

Customers attend the Twisted Vines Bottleshop and Bistro for a wine tasting for \$35 per ticket to benefit the Arlington Free Clinic on Saturday, Sept.14.

> Pat McDermott, director of development for the Arlington Free Clinic, serves appetizers such as cheese and charcuterie as they sip five wines of Austria.





Bridal Show

At the T Rose International Bridal Show, guests enjoy live music, local vendors and fashion show inside Holiday Inn Rosslyn-Key Bridge on Aug. 24. Mikeela Gray models a wedding gown from Crystal's Bridal And Tuxedo, Inc.



A model displays custom earrings and other jewelry accessories by Indian fashion jewelry maker Neena Patel.



Raven Rigsey models a wedding dress from Crystal's Bridal and Tuxedo, Inc.



Guests view custom stationary designs at the Devine Designs stand by Diesha.

OPINION

Vote It will matter who is elected governor.

bsentee voting has already begun; Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 5. If you've read this far, you care enough that voting is absolutely essential.

On the ballot:

Every Virginia voter will vote for governor; lieutenant governor; attorney general and their member of the House of Delegates.

At the top of the ticket, there are stark differences in the vision for Virginia held by the candidates of each party.

EDITORIAL While almost all the coverage and advertising has focused on the significant negatives of the two major party candidates for governor, one of these two men will in fact be elected governor and serve as governor for the next four years. It will make a huge difference which one.

It shouldn't take very much research for you to determine which candidate holds views closer to your own. What is critical is that you don't let the negatives about personality or other details keep you from voting. It matters. Figure out which one is your candidate and get out and vote.

Also on the ballot in Fairfax County: sheriff, and the school bond.

Choose Your Own Election Day

From now until Saturday, Nov. 2, you can vote absentee in person for a variety of reasons, but you must sign a form affirming that you do qualify. Almost everyone with a job in Northern Virginia qualifies for one particular

reason, however: your work plus commute time would be 11 hours or more between 6.a.m. and 7 p.m. on Election Day. Other reasons include planned travel, pregnancy, illness or disability,

being a student out of area, and more. Voters can also vote absentee by mail. It's worth looking at the absentee ballot application online before going to vote absentee in person. http:/ /www.sbe.virginia.gov/Files/Forms/ VoterForms/ABApplication.pdf In Arlington County, in-person absentee voting: Courthouse Plaza, 2100 Clarendon Blvd. suite 320, 8-5 Monday-Friday through Nov. 1; Saturday, Oct. 19, 8:30-5; Tuesday. Oct. 22, 8-7; Thursday, Oct. 24, 8-7; Saturday, Oct. 26, 8:30-5; Tuesday, Oct. 29; 8-7; Thursday, Oct 31, 8-7; Saturday, Nov. 2, 8:30-5. For more on voting ab-

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Gubernatorial Debate

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Support Energy Efficiency Building Codes

BY ALFONSO H. LOPEZ STATE DELEGATE (D-49)

small improvement in energy efficiency can have a major impact on our daily lives. The benefits of energy efficiency are sometimes hard to see, but they are easy to measure. Homes that are not energy efficient impact health - resulting in decreased risk for damp, moldy conditions, and cold temperatures, all of which can increase the risk for respiratory illnesses and asthma, especially among children.

They also impact property value — energy efficient homes have been shown to reduce the likelihood of foreclosure by 32 percent. And energy efficient homes reduce net costs to homeowners, who will otherwise pay more in monthly utility bills, and for the costs of repairs if inefficient building standards lead to further structural problems over time.

Using energy efficient building practices at the time of construction is far easier and less expensive than retrofitting the technologies later. This approach is especially important for first-time and lower-income home owners, who may not have as much financial flexibility to spend on upgrades, especially after fi-

The good news is that the Washington Metropolitan region has made some important strides in residential energy efficiency. The District of Columbia anticipates adoption of modernized building codes, and Maryland recently approved the same measures. Unfortunately, Virginia is at risk of missing out on a similar opportunity.

The District and Maryland are incorporating the 2012 industry standards developed by the International

writing these standards, the IECC gained input from experts in energy efficiency, building design, and product performance, as well as

The Virginia Board of Housing and Community Development is currently deliberating on changes to the Commonwealth's building code. Many significant proposed IECC improvements for residential homes have been stripped from testing for air leaks in new homes rather than visual inspections. Fully adopting the new building codes would create a 27.4 percent increase in energy efficiency and save on average \$388 annually in energy costs to Virginia consumers. This means homeowners would save over \$30 per month on their utility bills.

Indeed, the U.S. Department of Energy estimates that adopting the IECC standards would save the average Virginia household \$5,836

> over 30 years, which more than recovers the estimated \$2,000 in upfront construction costs.

By implementing these new building codes, Virginia would also eliminate about 55.6 million metric tons of CO2 emissions over the next 20 years. This is equivalent to one year of emissions from 11.6 million cars. Updating the building code is a win-win for both Virginia consumers and the environment, but only if we fully implement the 2012 IECC.

COMMENTARY

The public comment period on this issue will end on Sept. 29. The Board of Housing and Community Development is expected to make a final decision for approval of the recommendations before the end of 2013. Comments can be sent to: Stephen W. Calhoun, Regulatory Coordinator, Department of Housing and Community Development, Main Street Centre, 600 East Main Street, Suite 300, Richmond, VA 23219, telephone 804-371-7000, fax 804-371-7090, TTY 804-371-7089, or emailed to steve.calhoun@dhcd.virginia.gov.

I hope you will join me in supporting the 2012 IECC by contacting the Board of Housing and Community Development, and also Governor McDonnell, who appointed 11 of the 14 members on the Board. Let's ensure Virginia does the right thing for consumers, for the environment, and for our children's future.



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The new building codes would increase insulation requirements and require objective

- People Notes -

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Ted Bilich has been appointed as chair of Leadership Arlington's Board of Regents, Bilich is a visiting professor of law at Georgetown University School of Law and completed the Leadership Arlington Signature Program in 2009.

At the bi-annual Convention of the Young Democrats of America, Atima Omara-Alwala was elected the first African-American and Virginian

president of the Young Democrats of America. Omara-Alwala ran with a team representing California, Georgia, New York, Kansas, Oklahoma and Delaware for the organization's leadership.

Omara-Alwala previously served as a Vice President, Mid-Atlantic Region Director, and Chairwoman of the Women's Caucus for the organization. She hails from Chester, Va. and graduated from George Mason University, MPA, and the University of Virginia, BA. She lives in Arlington with her husband, Clay,

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

ONGOING

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

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

The Crystal City **FRESHFARM Market** is open on Tuesdays from 3-7 p.m. with the same selection of foods and goods from local producers, in front of 251 S. 18th St.

Take a **free outdoor Zumba** class in the courtyard at 2121 Crystal Drive, led by instructors from the local Sport & Health Clubs, every Wednesday throughSeptember. Participants can take a free shower afterwards at the nearby Sport & Health.

Photography Exhibit. Through Monday, Sept. 30, see "Hallowed Ground: Photos of the Gettysburg Battlefield 150 Years After, by Ron Cogswell," at Cherrydale Branch Library, 2190 Military Road. Free. Call 703-228-6330.

"Miss Saigon." Extended through Oct. 6, at the Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave. Performances Tuesday through Sunday evenings, with matinees on Saturday and Sunday. Tuesday and Wednesday shows are 7:30 p.m.; Thursday through Saturday performances are 8 p.m.; and Sunday performances are 7 p.m. Matinees performances are 2 p.m. \$40. Call 703-573-SEAT or visit signature-theatre.org.

Theater Performances. Trough Oct. 12, Gunston Theatre Two, 2700 S. Lang St., presents "Come Blow Your Horn" with performances on Thursday-Saturday evenings at 8 p.m. and matinees on Saturdays and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. Visit americancentury.org or 703-998-4555 for tickets.

Register Now. Encore Creativity's 55+ Encore Chorale welcomes older adults to register for its fall season. The program offers an opportunity to improve your voice in a welcoming community. No auditions will be held. Singers will rehearse classical and holiday songs in prepartation for December perfomances. Call 301-261-5747 or visit encorecreativity.org.

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Theatre Classes. Encore Stage & Studio is holding classes and mini camps for children in grades K-8 at on Saturdays at Thomas Jefferson Community Theatre, 125 S. Old Glebe Road and Tuesdays and Wednesdays after-school at Theatre on the Run, 3700 S. Four Mile Run Drive. Visit www.encorestageva.org for a list of classes.

WEDNESDAY/SEPT. 25

Nanny Club. 10 a.m.-noon at Columbia Pike Library, 816 S. Walter Reed Drive. For children up to age 5. Free. 703-228-5710.

Story Time: Over 2s. 10:30 a.m. at Westover Library, 1644 N. McKinley Road, suite 3. For children age 25 months- 5 years. Free. 703-228-5260.

Stop in for Stories. 10:30 a.m. or 11:15 a.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. For children up to age 5. Free. 703-228-5946.

Family Story Time. 6:30 p.m. at Glencarlyn Library, 300 S. Kensington St. For all ages. Free. 703-228-6548. Blues and Brews. 5-8 p.m. at 2121
Crystal Drive Courtyard. Live music and beer. In partnership with the Crystal City Business Improvement District, Vornado/Charles E. Smith and the Washington Wine Academy. The beer garden will feature delicious brews hand-selected by beer experts from the Washington Wine Academy and the Crystal City Wine Shop. Visit www.crystalcity.org.

Pay-What-You-Can Performance.
Gunston Theatre Two, 2700 S. Lang
St., presents "Come Blow Your
Horn." Visit americancentury.org or
703-998-4555 for tickets.

Author Discussion. 7 p.m. at One More Page, 2200 N. Westmoreland St. Michael J. Sullivan will discuss "The Crown Tower" and "The Rose and the Thorn," the first and second installments in his Riyria Chronicles fantasy series. Free. Visit www.onemorepagebooks.com or 703-300-9746.

THURSDAY/SEPT. 26

Book Club. 10:30 a.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Discuss "Walden" by Henry David Thoreau. Free. 703-228-5946.

Drop-in Story Time: Over 2s. 10:30-11 a.m. or 11:15 a.m. or noon at Shirlington Library, 4200 Campbell Ave. For children age 25 months-5 years. Free. 703-228-6545. Drop in Storytime. 10:30 a.m. at

Drop in Storytime. 10:30 a.m. at Cherrydale Library, 2190 N. Military Road. Children up to age 5 can enjoy stories. Free. 703-228-6330.

Drop-in Storytime: Under 2s. 10:30 a.m. at Aurora Hills Library, 735 S. 18th St. For children up to age 2. Free. 703-228-5715.

Free. 703-228-5715. **Drop-in Storytime: Over 2s.** 11:15 a.m. at Aurora Hills Library, 735 S. 18th St. For children age 2-5. Free. 703-228-5715.

Bilingual Story Time. 4:15 p.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Children can enjoy stories, songs and crafts in English and Spanish. Free. 703-228-5990.

Knitting Group. 6:30 p.m. at Glencarlyn Library, 300 S. Kensington St. Drop-in for knitting support and instruction. Free. 703-229 6548

Author Talks. 7 p.m. at One More
Page, 2200 N. Westmoreland St. In
conjunction with George Mason
University's Fall for the Book Festival,
A.X. Ahmad talks about his new
mystery "The Caretaker" and Sujata
Massey discusses "The Sleeping
Dictionary," the first book in her
Daughters of Bengal historical fiction
series. Free. Visit
www.onemorepagebooks.com or
703-300-9746.

FRIDAY/SEPT. 27

Story Time: Baby Steps. 10:30 a.m. at Columbia Pike Library, 816 S. Walter Reed Drive. Children up to 1 year old can enjoy stories. Free. 703-228-5710.

Story Time: Baby Steps. 10:30 a.m. at Westover Library, 1644 N. McKinley Road, suite 3. For children up to age 1. Free. 703-228-5260.

Story Time: Over 2s. 10:30 a.m. or 11:15 a.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Children age 25 months to 5 years. Free. 703-228-

Story Time: Under 2s. 10:30 a.m. or 11:15 a.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Children up to age 2. Free. 703-228-5946.

Story Time: Wobbly Walkers. 10:30 a.m. at Westover Library, 1644 N. McKinley Road, suite 3. For children age 13-24 months. Free. 703-228-

Harlem Wizards Basketball Game.
7-9 p.m. at Thomas Jefferson
Community Center. Watch as the
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Washington-Lee freshman band "Safety Third" performs on the Burke & Herbert Stage during Clarendon Day festivities in 2012.



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Clarendon
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Celebrate at Clarendon Day 2013

The 16th annual Clarendon Day Festival will be held Saturday, Sept. 28 near 3101 Wilson Blvd., from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Free admission.

This annual neighborhood event celebrates the diversity of Clarendon. Enjoy food offerings by more than a dozen local restaurants, two areas for children's entertainment, scores of arts and crafts vendors, plus dozens of local business and nonprofit exhibitors. Clarendon Day 2013 will also include three stages of live music and entertainment, beer and wine sales, and, new this year, the DC Chili

Cookoff

Clarendon Day 2013 is proud to host the "DC Chili Cookoff at Clarendon Day." The winners of the DC Chili Cookoff at Clarendon Day will advance to the ICS finals to be held in October. Chili competitors will be offering 2 oz. "tastes" at \$.50 each—and proceeds will benefit the Wounded Warrior Project.

The Clarendon Day 2013 music line-up combines national acts, long-time favorites and young performers. Visit www.clarendonday.org.

Arlington Elite. Visit https:// registration.arlingtonva.us for tickets or buy them at the door.

Author Discussion. 6:30 p.m. at One More Page, 2200 N. Westmoreland St. Victoria Schwab will sign and discuss "Vicious," a tale of ambition, jealousy and more set in a nearfuture world. Free. Visit www.onemorepagebooks.com or 703-300-9746.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 28

WAEC 5K Walk/Run. 8:30 a.m. at Bluemont Park. Washington, D.C. Area Eosinophilic Connection is raising money for Hope on the Horizon Research Fund. Register for this family-friendly event at waec5kwalk.eventbrite.com. There will be a raffle, allergy-friendly foods to sample and more.

Drop-in Story Time. 10:30 a.m. at Columbia Pike Library, 816 S. Walter Reed Drive. Children up to 5 years can enjoy stories. Free. 703-228-

Crystal City Diamond Derby. 2-8 p.m. at 2345 Crystal Drive. There will be a Kids' Race, River Ride, Open Challenge and Team Relay, plus other events, music and spectator lounge. Free for spectators, but some races have fees. For a full list of events, times and to register visit diamond-derby.com.

Waterbear Reading Series. 6 p.m. at One More Page, 2200 N.
Westmoreland St. Rae Bryant, author of "The Indefinite State of Imaginary Morals" and author Theodore Carter of "The Life Story of a Chilean Sea Blob and Other Matters of Importance" will discuss their books. Free. Visit www.onemorepagebooks.com or call 703-300-9746.

Eight-Thirteen Ball. 8 p.m. at Arlington Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. This ball is a literary-themed

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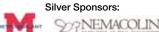
















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social event created to raise money for the library's early literacy initiatives. This year the theme is based on F. Scott Fitzgerald's "The Great Gatsby." Tickets can be purchased from the library for \$30. Visit www.artisphere.com.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 29

Mutts n Munchkins Crafty Kids

Fundraiser. 1-4 p.m. at Cherry Hills Park, 9800 Cherry Hill Road. Families invited to come out and have fun and raise money for pets with disabilities. Children will have opportunity to create their own means to fundraise or just enjoy the event. Visit

www.muttsnmuchkins.com. AutumnFest. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Glencarlyn Library, 300 S. Kensington St. Browse plants for sale, crafts, food and more. Free. 703-228-6548.

Latinoamericano Festival. 1-5 p.m. at Kenmore Middle School. Enjoy live music, authentic food, local vendors, performances and more. Free. Visit http://www.arlingtonva.us/portals/ topics/FestivalLatinoamericano.aspx

Author Series. 1 p.m. at One More Page, 2200 N. Westmoreland St. Arlington resident R.J. Tolson will discuss his book "Zephyr: The West Wind." Free. Visit www.onemorepage books.com or call 703-300-9746.

MONDAY/SEPT. 30

Story Time: Under 2s. 10:30 a.m. at Glencarlyn Library, 300 S. Kensington St. For children up to age 2. Free. 703-228-6548.

Drop-in Story Time: Under 2s. 10:30 a.m. or 11:15 a.m. at Shirlington Library, 4200 Campbell Ave. For children up to age 2. Free. 703-228-6545.

Story Time: Baby Steps. 2 p.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. For children up to age 1. Free. 703-228-5946.

Family Story Time. 6:45 p.m. at Cherrydale Library, 2190 N. Military Road. All ages. Free. 703-228-6330.

Author Series. 7 p.m. at One More Page, 2200 N. Westmoreland St. Securities analyst-turnedinvestigative reporter Barbara Dreyfuss will sign copies of "Hedge Hogs: The Cowboy Traders Behind Wall Street's Largest Hedge Fund Disaster." Free. Visit www.onemorepagebooks.com or call 703-300-9746.

Author Event. 7 p.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. David George Haskell will relate his year of scientific and personal observations of a single square meter in the old growth forest of Cumberland Plateau. Free. 703-228-

OCT. 1-31

Art Exhibit. See "Grass Etchings and Paintings" by Mary Ott at Gallery Underground, located in the Crystal City Shops, 2100 Crystal Drive. She is a painter and print-maker, and this exhibit focuses on blades of grass. Free. Visit www.galleryunderground.org or call 571-483-0652.

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Art Exhibit. See the gallery members' show at Gallery Underground, located in the Crystal City Shops, 2100 Crystal Drive. Features an array of media including sculpture, glass, cramics, oil and more. Free.

Visit www.galleryunderground.org or call 571-483-0652.

TUESDAY/OCT. 1

Book Club: Read Between the

Lines. 1-2 p.m. at Shirlington Library, 4200 Campbell Ave. Discuss "Empire of Summer Moon" by S.C.

Gwynne. Free. 703-228-6545. **Film.** 2-4 p.m. at Columbia Pike Library, 816 S. Walter Reed Drive. Watch "The Time Traveler's Wife" (2009). Free. 703-228-5710.

Paws to Read. 3-4 p.m. or 5:30-6:30 p.m. at Columbia Pike Library, 816 S. Walter Reed Drive. Children in grades K-5 can read to therapy dogs for 15 minutes. Each dog is part of PAL. Register for a slot by calling 703-228-5710.

Story Time. 4:15 p.m. at Westover Library, 1644 N. McKinley Road, suite 3. For children up to age 5. Free. 703-228-5260.

Drop-in Story Time: Over 2s. 4:30-:15 p.m. at Cherrydale Library, 2190 N. Military Road. For children age 25 months to 5 years. Free. 703-228-6330.

Family Story Time. 6:30 p.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St.

For all ages. Free. 703-228-5946. **Fiction Book Club.** 7 p.m. at One More Page, 2200 N. Westmoreland St. Discuss "The Funeral Dress" by Susan Gregg Gilmore. Free. Visit www.onemorepagebooks.com or call 703-300-9746.

WEDNESDAY/OCT. 2

Nanny Club. 10 a.m.-noon at Columbia Pike Library, 816 S. Walter Reed Drive. For children up to age 5. Free. 703-228-5710.

Story Time: Over 2s. 10:30 a.m. at Westover Library, 1644 N. McKinley

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Road, suite 3. For children age 25 months- 5 years. Free. 703-228-5260.

Stop in for Stories. 10:30 a.m. or 11:15 a.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. For children up to age 5. Free. 703-228-5946.

ASL Club for Kids. 4 p.m. at Columbia Pike Library, 816 S. Walter Reed Drive. Children in grades K-5 can enjoy activities, songs and more exploring American Sign Language. Free. 703-228-5710.

Author Event. 5-7 p.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Hear the story of Arlington Public School's successful transition to new ways of teaching and learning in the 1970s and beyond. Free. 703-228-5946.

Family Story Time. 6:30 p.m. at Glencarlyn Library, 300 S. Kensington St. For all ages. Free. 703-228-6548.

Author Series. 7 p.m. at One More Page, 2200 N.

Westmoreland St. Local author Kathy McCleary will discuss her novel "Leaving Haven." Free. Visit www.onemorepagebooks.com or call 703-300-9746.

THURSDAY/OCT. 3

Drop-in Storytime: Over 2s. 10:30 a.m. or 11:15 a.m. at Shirlington Library, 4200 Campbell Ave. For children age 25 months to 5 years. Free. 703-228-6545.

Drop-in Storytime. 10:30 a.m. at Cherrydale Library, 2190 N. Military Road. For children up to age 5. Free. 703-228-6330.

Drop-in Storytime: Under 2s. 10:30 a.m. at Aurora Hills Library, 735 S. 18th St. For children up to age 2. Free. 703-228-5715.

Drop-in Storytime: Over 2s. 11:15 a.m. at Aurora Hills Library, 735 S. 18th St. For children



The pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; the optimist, the opportunity in every difficulty.

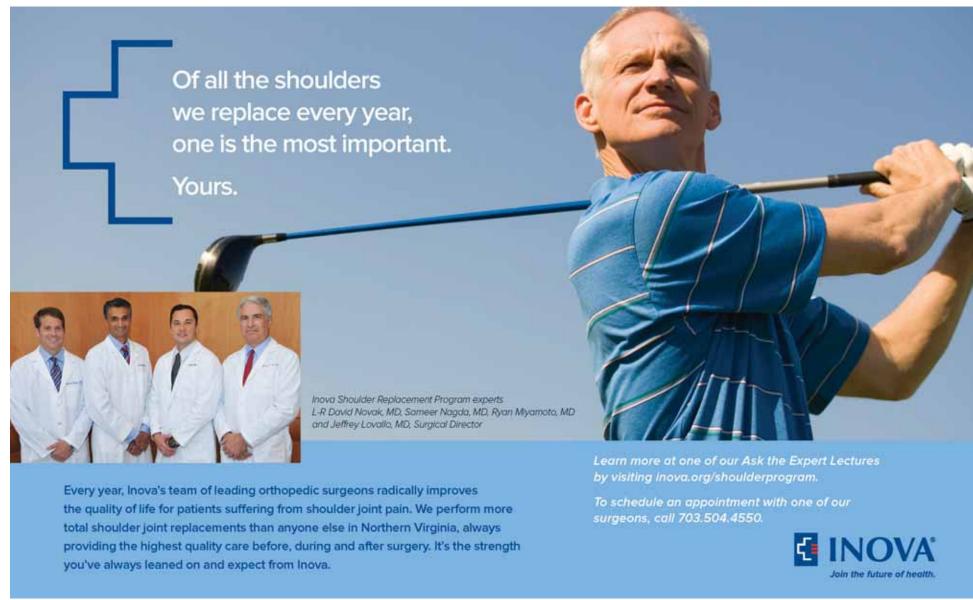
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Spider Kelly's Running Club. Staff, friends and community welcome to join Spider Kelly's running club and train for their inaugural race, the annual Clarendon Day 5K, held on the last Thursday of September. Call 703-312-8888 or visit http:// spiderkellys.com.

Art Exhibition. Through Sunday, Oct. 13, see Green Acres at Arlington Arts Center, 3550 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-248-6800 or visit

www.arlingtonartscenter.org. Mixed Media Exhibit. Through Sunday, Oct. 13, at Arlington Arts Center, 3550 Wilson Blvd. Visit www.arlingtonartscenter.org.

Special Art Exhhibition. Through Sunday, Oct. 13, see Dupont Market. Arlington Arts Center, 3550 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-248-6800 or visit www.arlingtonartscenter.org.

Art Exhibit. See "Nature Extracted: Paintings, Prints and Constructions" by Patterson Clark and Pam Rogers through Oct. 17 at Marymount's Barry Gallery, 2807 N. Glebe Road. Hours are Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. and Friday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Free. Visit www.marymount.edu.

Art Exhibit. See Becca Kallem's "Sweet and Tough" through Oct. 19 at the Mezz Gallery at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. They are recent paintings and drawings that focus on symbols, fragments and wonders. Free. Visit www.artisphere.com or call 703-875-1100.

Comics Making Studio. Watch members of the DC Conspiracy, a comics-creating collaborative, work on actual page submissions for the Spring 2014 edition of "Magic Bullet" through Nov. 2 at Works in Progress Gallery at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. Create a comic and leave it behind to be hung in the gallery. Hours are Thursdays from 6:30-9:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 1-4 p.m. Free. Visit www.artisphere.com or call 703-875-

SEPT. 26 THROUGH NOV. 3

Theater Performance. See "The Picture of Dorian Gray" at Synetic Theater, 1800 S. Bell St. Performances are Wednesday-Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Visit http:// www.synetictheater.org/ for tickets.

FRIDAY/SEPT. 27

Latin American Harp Festival. 7:30

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age 2, Friends members and seniors; \$5/ teens and adults. Visit http://

friendsoftheplanetarium.org/ or 703-228-

Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. In response to the exhibition "Andy Warhol: Silver

Clouds," Jakub Alexander (aka Heathered

Pearls) has collaborated with Almunia,

Dirty Beaches, and Praveen Sharma to

soundscapes that are directly inspired by

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and designed to be listened to while

experiencing Silver Clouds. Free. Visit

Latin American Harp Festival. 7:30 p.m

at Rosslyn Spectrum at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. Presented by Teatro de la

Luna. Visit www.artisphere.com or call

Inaugural Eight-Thirteen Ball. 9 p.m. at

given for the best 1920s attire. Visit

starts at 6:30 p.m. at Arlington

\$5/teens and adults. Visit http://

www.library.arlingtonva.us.

Movie Night. Doors open at 6:15 p.m., show

Planetarium, 1426 N Quincy St. Watch

"Deep Impact," a 1998 film about a meteor

on a collision course with Earth. \$3/child up to age 2, Friends members and seniors;

friendsoftheplanetarium.org/or 703-228-

Music Performance. 9 p.m. at Iota Club &

Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. The event

will support Arlington Public library's early literacy initiatives. The theme is "A Night

Out with The Great Gatsby." Prizes will be

create an original collection of

SATURDAY/SEPT. 28

Soundscapes. 7-9 p.m. at Terrace Gallery at

Clarendon Farmers Market. Year-round, has locally produced breads and pastries, organic vegetables, flowers, soap, sorbet and more. Saturdays and Sundays, 8 a.m.-12 p.m. at Courthouse Parking Lot, 3195 North Wilson Blvd., Arlington. Also year-round on Wednesdays from 3-7 p.m. at Clarendon Metro Station. Visit www.Clarendon.org. Call 703-812-8881.

Arlington Farmers Market at Courthouse. Adjacent to the Arlington

County Courthouse Parking Lot, at the intersection of N. Courthouse Road and N. 14th Street. This is a 'producer only' market with more than 30 producers. Saturdays from 8 a.m. - noon, through December. Each Saturday through September, Virginia Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners will answer any gardening question. Visit www.arlingtonfarmersmarket.com for a list of

Rosslyn Farmers Market and Lunchtime Concerts. The Farmers Market is every Thursday 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at 1401 Wilson Blvd. (across from the Cupid's Garden sculpture) starting May 23. Lunchtime concerts will take place during the market from 11:45 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. For a list of market vendors, visit www.rosslynva.org/play/markets.

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Event. 8 p.m. in the Dome Theatre at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. Songwriter and guitarist Sidi Toure will perform. \$15.

Visit www.artisphere.com or call 703-875-

SUNDAY/SEPT. 29

Opera NOVA's Season Opening

Brunch. 1:30 p.m. at the NRECA Building, 4301 Wilson Blvd. Hear music, meet Alexandria Vice Mayor Allison Silberberg and more. Reservations required. \$25/person. Contact Opera NOVA at 703-536-7557, or e-mail $mcdm1@verizon.net\ or\ visit$

www.Operaguildnova.org for more.

Music Performance. 8 p.m. at IOTA, 2832 Wilson Blvd. Mike Mangione & The Union will perform songs from their new album. \$12. Visit www.iotaclubandcafe.com or call 703-522-8340.

Presentation. Learn how to build comets out of dirt and dry ice while getting questions answered about comets, meteors and other celestial objects. Doors open at 1:15 p.m., presentation starts at 1:30 p.m. at Arlington Planetarium, 1426 N Quincy St. \$3/child up to age 2, Friends members and seniors; \$5/teens and adults. Visit http://friendsoftheplanetarium.org/ or 703-228-6070.

Screening. Doors open at 2:45 p.m. and show starts at 3 p.m. at Arlington Planetarium, 1426 N Quincy St. Watch "Magic Tree House: Space Mission." Best suited for ages 5-12 and their families. Older children familiar with the book series might also enjoy the show. \$3/child up to age 2, Friends members and seniors; \$5/teens and adults. Visit http://

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small Support farms and local businesses at the Rosslyn Farmers Market, including Elizabeth Harper Confections, where they bake all

their products in small batches, using local ingredients whenever possible. Bestsellers include homemade graham crackers, cream puffs and a 'yummy bar" — shortbread, chocolate custard and sweetened cream cheese. Look for their table at the market every Thursday through Oct. 31. Visit www.rosslynva.org.

friendsoftheplanetarium.org/ or 703-

FRIDAY/OCT. 4

Soundscapes. 7-9 p.m. at Terrace Gallery at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. In response to the exhibition "Andy Warhol: Silver Clouds," Jakub Alexander (aka Heathered Pearls) has collaborated with Almunia, Dirty Beaches, and Praveen Sharma to create an original collection of soundscapes that are directly inspired by and designed to be listened to while experiencing Silver Clouds. Free. Visit www.artisphere.com or call 703-875-1100.

Music Performance. 8 p.m. in the Ballroom at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. Roberto Fonseca will perform. \$19/advance; \$23/day of; \$32/Lounge level. Visit www.artisphere.com or call 703-875-1100.

SATURDAY/OCT. 5

The 5 Ws of Sustainable Agriculture

and Eating. 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at Arlington Arts Center, 3550 Wilson Blvd. Learn about the economic and social impact of eating local food, what makes some produce safer than others and how to find the best food to put on the table. Register by visiting http:// www.eventbrite.com/event/ 7989365407/es2/?rank=3.

TUESDAY/OCT. 8

Fundraiser. 5-8 p.m. for Arlington Partnership for Affordable Housing at The Clarendon Ballroom, 3185 Wilson Blvd. from 5-8 p.m. For information call 703-276-7444 ext. 102 or email lkelleher@apah.org or visit www.apah.org.

CALENDAR

age 2-5. Free. 703-228-5715.

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Bilingual Story Time. 4:15 p.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Children can enjoy stories, songs and crafts in English and Spanish. Free. 703-228-5990. Shut Up and Write: A Panel

Discussion. 7-9 p.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Adults who are interested in writing young adult literature can learn writing tips and more. Some guest authors will

be there. Free. 703-228-5990. Wine Tasting. 7 p.m. at One More Page, 2200 N. Westmoreland St. Free, Visit www.onemorepage books.com or call 703-300-9746.

FRIDAY/OCT. 4

Story Time: Baby Steps. 10:30 a.m. at Columbia Pike Library, 816 S. Walter Reed Drive. Children up to 1

year old can enjoy stories. Free. 703-228-5710.

Story Time: Baby Steps. 10:30 a.m. at Westover Library, 1644 N. McKinley Road, suite 3. For children up to age 1. Free. 703-228-5260. **Story Time: Over 2s.** 10:30 a.m. or

11:15 a.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Children age 25 months to 5 years. Free, 703-228-

Story Time: Under 2s. 10:30 a.m. or 11:15 a.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Children up to age 2. Free. 703-228-5946

Story Time: Wobbly Walkers. 10:30 a.m. at Westover Library, 1644 N. McKinley Road, suite 3. For children age 13-24 months. Free. 703-228-

Opening Reception. 5-8 p.m. meet the artist of "Grass Etchings and Paintings," Mary Ott at Gallery

Underground, located in the Crystal City Shops, 2100 Crystal Drive. She is a painter and print-maker, and this exhibit focuses on blades of grass.

Free. Visit www.galleryunder ground.org or call 571-483-0652. **Author Series.** 7 p.m. at One More Page, 2200 N. Westmoreland St. Tom Dunkel, author of "Color Blind: The Forgotten Team That Broke Baseball's Color Line" and Tim Wendel, author of "Summer of '68: The Season that Changed Baseball and America Forever." Free. Visit www.onemorepagebooks.com or call 703-300-9746.

SATURDAY/OCT. 5

Arlington Fun Ride. 8 a.m. at Crystal City Water Park. Families can enjoy a 17-mile ride around the "Arlington Loop," a network of paved, off-street,

multi-use trails. Many pit stops for snacks and water will be available. At the finish festival, families can enjoy activities, games, music and more. \$10/person or \$25/family. To learn more about the Arlington Fun Ride or to register, visit www.arlingtonfunride.org.

Drop in Story Time. 10:30 a.m. at Columbia Pike Library, 816 S. Walter Reed Drive. Children up to age 5 can enjoy stories and more. Free. 703-228-5710.

Dogtober Day. 1-3 p.m. at Lacey Woods Park. Enjoy contests, agility fun course, games and more. Leashes and current vaccinations required. Registration starts at noon.

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Author Series. 7 p.m. at One More Page, 2200 N. Westmoreland St. YA author Alethea Kontis will discuss "Hero," a companion novel to her book "Enchanted." Free. Visit www.onemorepagebooks.com or call 703-300-9746

SUNDAY/OCT. 6

Film. 6-8 p.m. at Shirlington Library, 4200 Campbell Ave. Watch "Bells are Ringing." Free. 703-228-6545.

Music Performance. 2 p.m. at Cherrydale United Methodist Church, 3701 Lorcom Lane. LYRA, the Russian Vocal ensemble of St. Petersburg will perform. Free, but a free-will offering will be accepted. 703-527-2621.

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A Peculiar Existence



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

I'm not exactly pretending that I don't have stage IV lung cancer (non-small cell, to be specific), but ever since my hospital admission on August 2nd, I have been treatment-free; no I.V. chemotherapy, no oral medication, no targeted treatment, no nothing. And during this sabbatical (I use that term loosely; being off chemotherapy has been as much about recovering from surgery and recuperating from my hospital "stay-cation" as it was anything necessarily intended), I have progressed from feeling crappy and being short of breath - while being infused previously, to where I have become relatively asymptomatic, breathing normally and for the nearly eight week treatment-free interval mentioned, have felt mostly OK.

But I'm not OK, really. I have incurable lung cancer, the terminal kind (typically the only kind). I have tumors which have metastasized from somewhere else in my body (though a determination as to exactly from where the tumors originated has never been made) and an inevitable fluid build-up in my lung – characteristic of the underlying diagnosis, which has already put me in the hospital once, and given the presumptive reality of the disease, is likely to do so again in the future, and with a less than favorable outcome, according my oncologist.

However, right now – so far as I know and/or has been diagnostically indicated/ confirmed, I am living in relative peace (not sure about tranquility though) and able to manage my life well enough to perform all the activities of my daily living and pretend that this break in my cancertreatment action is not the least bit problematic and possibly even beneficial in some therapeutic way. At least, that's what I tell myself as opposed to worrying that each week that passes when I'm not infused with some pharmaceutical creation, shortens my life expectancy somehow by a corresponding amount of time. Heck, where's the future in that?

Still, the time off between treatment has given me pause – to refresh, so to speak and time to gear up - emotionally and physically, for the next round of treatment outlined in last week's column. On the one hand, I'm sort of relieved (happy would be a bit too naive of a description of how I feel) to be once again taking medication, understanding and respecting the medical reality of the cancer-centric existence I now live - meaning that wishing and hoping the cancer remains dormant/inactive without any treatment is a bit unrealistic. On the other hand, I am ambivalent about forfeiting the relative calm and above-average quality of life that has characterized these last two months. Characterizations that generally don't describe a stage IV lung cancer patient's life in year five post-diagnosis. And though I am exceeding grateful – and incredibly fortunate for the gift of life that I have received, I remain both fearful and appreciative of my status quo. Subject to change. I imagine, and not necessarily for the best, either. Nevertheless, life goes on, and I aim to keep it that way.

Kenny Lourie is an Advertising Representative for The Potomac Almanac & The Connection Newspapers

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Book Sale. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Browse books for all ages, cds and more. E-mail arlington.booksale@yahoo.com or 703-228-

Foster Parent Training. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Cherrydale Baptist Church, 3910 Lorcom Lane. Adults age 21 and over can train to become a certified foster parent, and is required for families interested in becoming short-term weekend foster providers. To register visit www.nvfs.org or contact Ginny Snaider at gsnaider@nvfs.org or 571-748-2557.

Arlington Youth Fitness and Wellness Expo. 5-8 p.m. at Thomas Jefferson Community Center. Enjoy a climbing wall, obstacle course, live performances, sports and fitness demos and more. Free.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/SEPT. 28-29

Bead & Jewelry Show. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Taking Place at Northern Virginia Community College, 8333 Little River Turnpike (Route 236), Annandale, VA in Building CE. The event, put on by The Northern Virginia Bead Society, costs \$6. For tickets visit www.NVBS.org.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 29

Book Sale. Noon-6 p.m. at Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Browse books for all ages, cds and more. Everything is half-off. E-mail arlington.booksale@yahoo.com or 703-228-5990

Walk the Walk. 1:30-3:30 p.m. at Penrose Square, 2503 Columbia Pike. All proceeds support Volunteers of America Chesapeake's Residential Program Center in Arlington, providing substance abuse treatment and recovery support throughout Arlington County. For more information or to register visit www.voachesapeake.org/walkthewalk.

MONDAY/SEPT. 30

Application Deadline. For a number of years, Arlington County has been awarding grants to non-profit organizations in the community who help residents with disabilities. The grants are administered by Arlington's Disability Advisory Commission, which has released the grant application packet for the 2015-2016 Regional Grants to Disability Groups. Grants are awarded to non-profit groups providing services to Arlington residents with physical and sensory disabilities. Successful projects increase or maintain independence and community integration through empowerment focused services. These grant awards are for two fiscal years, FY2015 and FY2016. Average grants are approximately \$20,000, but vary depending on the project. Grant proposals are due no later than Monday, Sept. 30. The Disability Advisory Commission will review proposals and make funding recommendations to the County Board in early 2014. The Grant Proposal Application Packet may be downloaded on the Disability Advisory Commission's webpage. Contact Anna Maynard at 703-228-7096 (v/tty) or amaynard@arlingtonva.us for further

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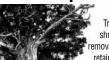
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Luis T Sabado honor my father. Luis Tilos Sabado, who was born June 12

1939 in Tawagan, Philippines. He was the second to youngest of 11 children and the youngest son. He told many stories of his happy childhood in the Philippines. His grandchildren enjoyed hearing stories of his pet monkey, and how he rode his caribou around the plantation to pick up the baskets of fish from the rice fields. The lessons he learned from his fa-ther and family were invaluable. His family was among the first Christian families to move into southern Philippines where they were not originally welcomed by their Muslin neighbors. My grandfather taught my dad and his two broth ers how to fire guns in case they would ever have to protect their home. Thankfully, they never had to use them for that purpose. During World War II, when the Japanese were nearing the plantation border, the whole family hiked 18mi through jungle terrain to another homestead where they lived or 7 yrs. These early years taught him the importance of amily unity, perseverance, and a work ethic.

After studying and getting certified to practice architecture, he was enamored by my mother in Davao City. In 1969, they were married in Manila after courtship and a long distance engagement. After living in Canada for a short while and having me, they both looked for opportunity in America. One look at a picture of the Chicago skyline and he knew the city we needed to live in.

magine leading a household with two headstrong ladies. Not a mission most men are willing to undertake and keep, but he did it with grace and endurance. He did have God first in his life. He faithfully went to church and when my mom and weren't ready in time, he never fussed, but would just quietly leave without us because he did not want to miss the message. We eventually learned. He personified the principle of Psalm 133, where it is better to be unified than right, for God blesses unity. Looking back, he was always right, but somehow never gloated. He patiently waited until my mom came around to his way of thinking. As an independent thinker growing up, this was the hardest concept for me to wrap my head around. But thank goodness he taught me, and I have the utmost respect for him because of it. the utmost respect for him because of it.

So many good things I learned from my dad. I am thankful for all he did to provide for me, for the time I had with him here in Virginia, and for the time he spent with my children. His biggest smiles were seen when he was with his grandkids. My father will always be for me a model for inner strength, character, and endurance. I will miss him, but find comfort from the scripture below, knowing that God has restored him, strengthened him and placed him on a firm foundation in

In his kindness God called you to share in his eternal glory by means of Christ Jesus. So after you have suffered a little while, he will restore, support, and strengthen you, and he will place you on a firm foundation.

Love you, Dad.

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Brenna Holmes, interactive department director for Chapman Cubine Adams + Hussey, a direct marketing firm serving global nonprofit organizations, is participating in the newly launched Grow Your Base certification program. Sponsored by Salsa Labs, Inc., GrowYourBase.org is a new microsite offering a free 12-class certification program for practitioners new to the nonprofit direct marketing industry or those seeking the best practices for online outreach. Her course, "How to Create your Multi-Channel Outreach Plan to Grow Your List," outlines strategies for nonprofit marketers to create content that can be shared on multiple platforms.

Virginia Hospital Center is among the few hospitals along the east coast to offer Selenia Dimensions 3D mammography (Breast Tomosynthesis), a new screening tool for breast cancer detection. This new technology is performed at the same time as standard digital mammography and with the same system, yet produces a 3D image of a patient's breast which helps radiologists to see the fine details more clearly by minimizing overlapping tissue.

Brandon M. Barg was promoted to senior vice president, commercial lending at Virginia Commerce Bank. Barg started with the Bank in 2004 as branch manager in Vienna, and in 2007, moved into commercial lending, focusing on the Arlington and Alexandria markets. He is a graduate of Leadership Arlington and is actively involved with Rebuilding Together Alexandria.

Capital English Academy has opened its doors to teach adult students English as a Second Language. Offering eight levels of instruction from beginning to advanced, the Academy is looking to serve the very diverse international population in Northern Virginia. Located on the 4th Floor of the Bank of America building on Columbia Pike and Glebe Road, the school is easily accessible by bus or car. Students can choose from day, evening, or weekend programs and students also receive basic computer skills training. Job placement assistance is given to all program graduates. In addition, the school is able to tailor its curriculum to meet certain needs of industry, such as construction, hotel/

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MemoryBanc was named the winner of the AARP Foundation Prize for Older-Adult Focused Innovation at the 2012-2013 George Washington Business Plan Competition. The competition was launched in 2009 to give students, faculty and alumni a real world experiential learning opportunity in entrepreneurship, compete for startup capital and receive mentorship, training and feedback from real business professionals. MemoryBanc help seniors and other adults organize and manage myriad details and accounts related to their personal, financial, medical, online and household assets. Founded in 2012, MemoryBanc's mission is to help people secure their personal information so they can easily locate it, share it or pass it onto loved ones. This privately-held company is based in Arlington. Visit MemoryBanc.com.

Andrea Campbell Davison has joined Bean, Kinney & Korman, P.C. as an associate attorney. Davison practices in the areas of bankruptcy, creditors' rights and financial restructuring. Previously, Davison was an associate attorney at an Am Law 200 law firm in Washington D.C.

Ashley R. Dobbs has been named a shareholder of Bean, Kinney & Korman, P.C.. Dobbs helps clients protect and grow their corporate brand through trademark and copyright protection, licensing and franchising agreements, and compliance with advertising laws. In addition to the practice of law, Dobbs maintains a deep commitment to community service. She has served as a board member, volunteer and fundraiser for community and charitable organizations throughout her career. Currently, she is a member of the U.S. Board of Directors for PetSmart Charities, Inc.

Jennifer A. Harper has joined Bean, Kinney & Korman, P.C. as a shareholder. Harper focuses her practice in employment law.

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Senior outside hitter Jane Townshend had five aces against Falls Church on Monday.

Yorktown Volleyball Continues Winning with New Coach

Carpenter takes over for Behar, who won four district titles.

By Jon Roetman The Connection

embers of the Yorktown volleyball program notice differences in approach between first-year head coach Stefanie Carpenter and former leader Brittanie Behar.

The Patriots, however, are expecting a similar level of success.

Yorktown defeated Falls Church 3-0 (25-5, 25-8, 25-15) on Monday at Yorktown High School. The Patriots improved to 5-1 in best-of-five matches under Carpenter, winning five straight after losing to South County.

Carpenter coached in Michigan for 15 years before moving to the Washington, D.C.-metro area for a consulting job. Her desire to return to coaching led to Carpen-



Stefanie
Carpenter, left
is in her first
season as
Yorktown head
volleyball
coach.

ter taking over a Yorktown program that won the last two National District championships and reached the 2011 Northern Region semifinals under former coach Behar, who led the Patriots to four district titles in seven seasons.

"I do expect that we would have the same

level of success," Carpenter said. "We have some very talented [athletes]."

One of those athletes is 6-foot-1 senior outside hitter Haley Molnar, who is committed to the University of Pennsylvania. On Monday, Molnar finished with nine kills and seven digs against the Jaguars.

"Haley's not just the best hitter," Carpenter said, "Haley's our best passer, too."

Molnar said Carpenter focuses on the technical aspect of volleyball.

"She's more into passing," Molnar said.
"... She's more [about improving our technical skills], while Brittanie is like, let's play, play, play, get more touches."

Senior outside hitter Jane Townshend, who had five aces against Falls Church, is pleased with what Carpenter has brought to the Patriots.

"Stefanie is a great coach," Townshend said. "She has more emphasis on conditioning and going to the weight room, making us stronger, so I think that's definitely beneficial.

"[She also teaches] attention to detail. We all wear warmups now and I think that's made us more refined as a team."

Senior libero/outside hitter Brooke Maloney had five aces against Falls Church. Sophomore libero Rachael Osborne and senior setter Reilly Burlingame each had five digs and Burlingame had nine assists.

Yorktown will travel to face Fairfax at 7:15 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 25.

- Sports Briefs -

Yorktown Football Beats Edison

The Yorktown football team improved to 2-1 with a 44-18 victory over Edison on Sept. 20.

According to stats from the Washington Post's allmetsports.com, Yorktown running back MJ Stewart carried 22 times for 191 yards and three touchdowns. Quarterback Will Roebuck completed 13 of 16 passes for 152 yards and a touchdown. He also scored on a 7-yard run.

The Patriots will host Falls Church at

7:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 27.

O'Connell Football Wins Fourth Straight

The Bishop O'Connell football team improved to 4-1 with a 42-6 victory over Archbishop Carroll on Sept. 21. The Knights have won four straight since dropping their season opener.

According to stats from the Washington Post's allmetsports.com, O'Connell quarter-back Michael Galvan completed 8 of 9 passes for 142 yards with two touchdowns

and an interception. He also carried nine times for 37 yards and three scores.

O'Connell will travel to face St. John's at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 28.

W-L Football Improves to 2-1

The Washington-Lee football team de feated Stuart 15-10 on Sept. 20.

According to stats from the Washington Post's allmetsports.com, W-L running back Daquay Harris carried 27 times for 202 yards and a touchdown.

The Generals will travel to face Hayfield at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 27.

Wakefield Football Suffers First Loss

The Wakefield football team fell to 2-1 after a 22-7 loss to Thomas Jefferson on Sept. 20. Warriors quarterback Riley Wilson completed 10 of 26 passes for 129 yards and an interception. He scored on a 10-yard run.

Wakefield will host Edison at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 27.

SPORTS



Standing from left: Zip Rausa of Vienna, Colin Church of Bethesda, Al Cahill of Herndon, Pat Boone of Beverly Hills, Calif., Jim Martin of Arlington, and Del Wilson of Burke, captain. Kneeling from left: Paul Spishak of Vienna, George Arvan of Fredericksburg, Bob Stroud of Hyattsville, and Dallas Chestnut of Fredericksburg.

Pat Boone Joins Virginia Creepers

he Virginia Creepers, men's senior (75+) basketball team, competed recently in the National Senior Games in Cleveland, Ohio. Making a surprise appearance with the Virginia Creepers was singer Pat Boone.

He was invited to play by Creepers member and personal friend, James Martin of Arlington. Although seeded third, out of the top eight teams in double elimination, the team did not medal. Del Wilson of Burke and captain of the Creepers, said, "Even though we didn't bring home a medal, it

was a successful trip and a once in a lifetime experience to play with Pat Boone." Wilson also said, "Pat still draws the ladies and was so gracious to everyone plus he's not a bad player."

In addition to Wilson and Martin, other members of the Virginia Creepers are Zip Rausa and Paul Spishak, Vienna; Al Cahill, Herndon; Dallas Chestnut and George Arvan, Fredericksburg; Colin Church, Bethesda and Bob Stroud, Hyattsville. The National Senior Games are held every two years.

White Wins Medals in National Games

rlington resident and senior athlete Helen White participated in the recent National Senior Games in Cleveland, Ohio. White returned with three medals.



Helen White

A bronze for coaching the NOVA United Classics basketball team, age 70+ to a bronze medal (third place); a silver (second place) as captain of the NOVA United Gold Mettle 60+ basketball team and a silver medal in the women's 60+ pickleball singles tournament.

"FLOURISHING AFTER 55"

"Flourishing After 55" from Arlington's Office of Senior Adult Programs for Sept. 30 - Oct. 5.

Arlington senior centers: Aurora Hills, 735 S. 18th St.; Walter Reed, 2909 S. 16th St.; Culpepper Garden, 4435 N. Pershing Drive; Langston-Brown, 2121 N. Culpepper St.; Lee, 5722 Lee Hwy.; Arlington Mill, 909 S. Dinwiddie St., also Madison Community Center, 3829 N. Stafford St.; TJ Community Center, 3501 S. 2nd St.

Senior trips: Sunday, Oct. 6, Walkersville Southern Railroad Train Ride, lunch, \$40; Monday, Oct. 7, Lincoln's Cottage, D.C., \$26 plus lunch; Wednesday, Oct. 9, tour the Supreme Court, D.C., \$8; Thursday, Oct. 10, Pinkadilly Tea Room, Fredericksburg, \$41; Saturday, Oct. 12, tour Merrifield Post Office and nearby shopping,\$11. Call Arlington County 55+ Travel, 703-228-4748. Registration required.

50+ Expo, Sunday, Oct. 6, 12 p.m. – 4 p.m., Ballston Mall, 3rd level; Free. Details, 703-228-4721

Open rehearsal of 17 piece Tom Cunningham Orchestra, Monday, Oct. 7, 8 p.m., Walter Reed. Free. Register, 703-228-0955.

Madison Chess Club meets Mondays, 9:30 a.m., Madison Community Center, Free. Details, 703-534-6232

Ice skating, Mondays, 8 a.m. – 9:10 a.m., Kettler Capitals Iceplex, Ballston Mall. Cost \$1 (include skate rental). Register, 703-228-4745.

Chinese culture and myths, Tuesday, Oct. 8, 10 a.m., Thomas Jefferson. Free. Register, 703-228-4403

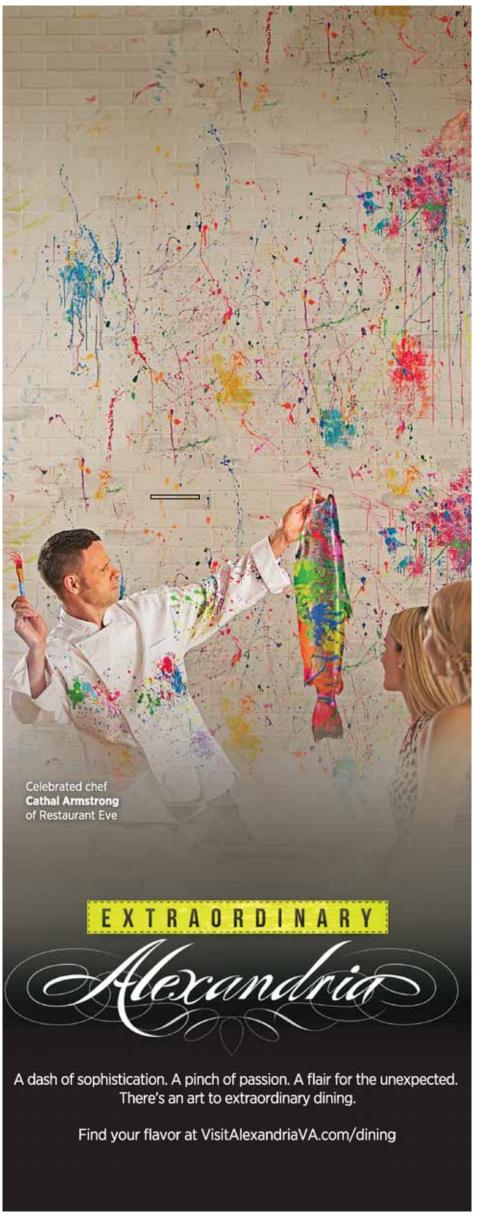
The importance of death certificates, Tuesday, Oct. 8, 1 p.m., Lee. Free. Register, 703-

Pickleball played Tuesday-Thursday-Friday, 11 a.m. -3 p.m., Walter Reed. Details, 703-228-0955. **Volleyball**, Tuesdays, 1:30 p.m., Langston-Brown. Free. Register, 703-228-6300.

Learn about estate sales and auctions, Wednesday, Oct. 9, 1 p.m., Langston-Brown. Free. Register, 703-228-6300.

Duplicate bridge, Wednesdays, 10 a.m., Aurora Hills; Fridays, 10 a.m., Madison. \$5. Register, 703-228-5722 (AH), 703-228-5310 (Mad.).

Coping with change, Thursday, Oct. 10, 1 p.m., Walter Reed. Free. Register, 703-228-0955.



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Arlington REAL ESTATE

In July 2013, 290 Arlington Homes sold between \$1,825,000-\$74,000.

July 2013 Top Sales

> 3005 Stuart Street North — \$1,310,000



1 6300 Washington Boulevard — \$1,295,000

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1718 Utah Street North — \$1,290,000



1 2612 Fillmore Street North — \$1,205,000

HOME SALES

In August 2013, 295 Arlington homes sold between \$3,008,000-\$125,000. This week's list represents those homes sold in the \$3,008,000-\$760,000 range. For the complete list, visit www.ConnectionNewspapers.com

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ABOUT ALEXANDRIA'S BRENDAN O'TOOLE

Brendan O'Toole served in the United States Marine Corps from 2008-2012. He enlisted during his senior year at T. C. Williams High School in Alexandria. During his time in the Corps, O'Toole completed two overseas deployments as a communications specialist based out of Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point (N.C.).

On his first deployment (2009), Brendan served as a member of the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) which assisted in the Haitian earthquake relief effort, before serving in the Indian Ocean, the country of Djibouti, and patrolling the Gulf of Aden and the east coast of Africa where pirating was a major problem. During their Haitian duty, O'Toole established a functioning communication system that was used to coordinate the distribution of vital humanitarian supplies.

On his second deployment (2011), O'Toole was stationed in Afghanistan with Marine Air Support Squadron 1. Upon his arrival, he was assigned to Regimental Combat Team 6, which was assigned to the western part of the Helmand Province, outside the city of Delaram. O'Toole was responsible for all ground communications efforts of the Direct Air Support Center's area of operation. Sgt. O'Toole established and maintained radio and tactical communications systems used to coordinate air strikes against insurgent forces as well as support medical evacuations, and re-supply to U.S. military and coalition forces throughout the battlefield. It was during his Afghanistan deployment that Brendan started planning for The Run for Veterans.

In June 2012, Brendan completed his active duty military service with the rank of Sergeant. On his return home to Alexandria, he began planning and organizing The Run for Veterans, which was chartered by the State of Virginia in August, 2012.



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