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Little hands, big hands and very sticky hands add strips of newsprints to the papier-mâché kangaroo and baby Joey outside artist Lisa Schumaier's studio in the Torpedo Factory.

Hands-On Arts and Crafts at Arts Safari

he Torpedo Factory Art Center hosted the 18th Annual Arts Safari on Saturday, Oct. 12. Participating artists of fered a multitude of activities for families. Susan Greenleaf helped visitors with small blocks of clay for sculpting, Lisa Schumaier had dozens of hands helping to papier-mâché a kangaroo with a baby Joey, the Art League held a gallery scavenger hunt, Gloria Barbre and Tanya Davis held a workshop in making treasure boxes and origami art, the Torpedo Factory Potters took turns demonstrating on a potter's wheel, the staff at the Alexandria Archaeology Museum worked with visitors recreating designs from salt-glazed stoneware, Marcia Dullum led a hallway of painters on the second floor, Patrick Sargent from Printmakers Inc. offered supplies and instruction in block printing, Jackie Ehle used the third floor landing for playing with plastics, Fluff and Nonsense offered demonstrations in spinning and activities in felting, and Heidi Moyer and the Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery offered materials and



Torpedo Factory potter Karen Abromaitis works a lump of clay into a shape on the potters wheel.



Caroline Seo poses for a photo next to her chalk self portrait on the Giant Chalk Board at the annual Arts Safari.

supplies for creating a fabric collage. Event collaborators included: Torpedo Factory artists, The Art League Gallery and School, Fluff and Nonsense and the Alexandria Archaeology Museum plus community volunteers and the Single Volun-



Mixed media artist Jackie Ehle set out a table of plastics for visitors to play

Push and Pull On the Waterfront

As development plan is implemented, a mix of reactions.

By Michael Lee Pope Gazette Packet

n the last week, members of the public have heard rival visions of the future for the waterfront. One vision is a five-story hotel at the northeast corner of Duke Street and South Union Street, a proposal that received a chilly reception from neighbors last week. Another vision is a series of public spaces along the waterfront presented this week by a landscape architect Laurie Olin, who has been hired by the city to create a vision for the future. That presentation received rave reviews, even from some of the waterfront plan's harshest critics.

first time," said Old Town Civic

Association president Yvonne Weight Callahan after the presentation on landscape architecture. "He has a vision. I just hope the city listens to him."

Nobody is ready to sing Kum Bay Yah, though. The first item on the agenda is likely to be the development proposal now under consideration from Carr Hospitality, a Washington-based developer who wants to demolish the Art League warehouse and construct a 50-foot hotel. During a presentation to the Old Town Civic Association last week at the Lyceum, the developer tried to sell his vision of a waterfront hotel with publicly accessible open space.

"I think we have done a lot to "I'm optimistic, maybe for the break down the scale of the ho-SEE DEVELOPMENT. PAGE 32

Lois L. Walker Dies at 73

Memorial service planned for Oct. 26.

By Jeanne Theismann GAZETTE PACKET

hen Lois Walker was named a Living Legend of Alexandria in 2010, she was asked about the key to her success.

"You just do it," she told interviewer Sherry Wilson Brown. "Sometimes it is almost civil disobedience. Sometimes you have to nag, well, more politely, 'remind' a lot so you don't get lost in the shuffle. You just have to stay fo- SEE FAMILY, FRIENDS, PAGE 33

cused on what you are trying to achieve and keep pushing. If you are not willing to nag a little, I just don't think you care enough."

There was never any doubt that Walker cared about the City of Alexandria, a place she called home for over 40 years. On Sunday, Oct. 13, the former City Council woman died in Kayseri, Turkey after contracting pneumonia while on vacation. She was 73.

"Lois was an important and beloved part of the civic and cultural life of Alexandria for over 40 years," said Vola Lawson, who was City Manager during Walker's two terms on City Council. "I greatly enjoyed working with her. Her tragic death leaves a hole in the

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Agreeing to Disagree

When city officials called a press conference to threaten the use of eminent domain against the Old Dominion Boat Club last week, one of the points raised was that the club never responded to an ultimatum sent over the summer. Late last week, Old Dominion Boat Club chairman Eric DeSoto sent Mayor Bill Euille a letter responding to the city's offer.

"ODBC previously agreed and agrees now that the mayor's nine points set the framework for the substantive issues to be resolved," DeSoto wrote in the Oct. 11 letter. "That, however, was the extent of any previous agreement between parties."

Issues under discussion include everything from how much of Wales Alley is accessible to members of the Boat Club to repairs of storm sewers. Perhaps most significantly, DeSoto says the club is willing to dedicate a 25-foot-wide permanent pedestrian easement on the western edge of its parking lot, which would allow the city to construct a public plaza on the Strand side of the parking lot.

"This compromise position will nearly achieve the city's goal of a continuous public walkway along the waterfront," wrote DeSoto. "We believe 25 feet is wider than nearly any other sidewalk or walkway in the city, and in fact wide enough to give the sense of a mini-plaza at that location if the city desires."

City officials have scheduled a public hearing to consider the use of eminent domain against the Boat Club on Nov. 19.

Sewer Signs

Anyone who has ever tried to read the signs posted at the city's four sewage outfall locations has probably been frustrated. First, the signs are hard to see. Some are posted high in the air. Others are obscured by vegetation. One is posted so far from the public walkway that it's impossible to read with the naked eye.

Secondly, the signs are just plan wrong. They say raw sewage will be dumped "during or after long or heavy rain events." But a recent permit application from city officials admits that the dumping begins after as little as 0.03 inches of rain. Nobody considers that a "heavy" or "long" rain event, which means that the signs are misleading if it's possible to read them in the first place.

"They have to be larger," said Jack Sullivan, member of Friends of Dyke March. "And they have to be accurate."

This weekend, Sullivan plans to take his case to members of the Alexandria City Council. During their Saturday public hearing, Sullivan will make the case that the city should flush its current signs down the proverbial toilet and install new ones so people will know the straight poop about raw sewage.

"I've got pictures of all four of them that I'm going to present to council members," said Sullivan. "One of them is about 15 feet in the air. And other one is covered with vegetation."

Moving Pieces

Developer Carr Hospitality is moving forward with the proposal to develop a five-story hotel at the northeast intersection of Union Street and Duke Street, although neighbors are unhappy about the size and scale of the building. This weekend, Old Town resident Bob Wood plans to offer an idea to members of the Alexandria City Council that he says might improve the design.

One of the sticking points for neighbors is the entrance to the underground garage and service entrance is on Duke Street, one of the city's most prominent streets and the entrance for Point Lumley Park. Meanwhile, the front door of the hotel is on South Union Street, potentially causing traffic clashes between taxicabs and bicyclists.

Wood says switch them.

Instead of having a front door on Union, Wood says, move it to Duke Street. Because the street is much wider, he says, it would be able to handle the crush of taxicabs. Meanwhile, an entrance to underground parking on Union Street would work much better because it could be coordinated with underground parking on the adjacent lot. No plans have come forward to develop that property yet, although its part of the land that has been rezoned for redevelopment under the waterfront plan.

"Make this an integrated parcel," said Wood, who was a member of the waterfront work group. "These parcels work better together than they do apart."

— Michael Lee Pope

News



Bodice-ripper or promotional campaign? Some love the city's new marketing campaign while others feels it's a bit racy.

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— Yvonne Weight Callahan, president of

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An Extraordinary Campaign

\$1.6 million advertising campaign hopes to rebrand Alexandria; critics say it's inappropriate.

By Michael Lee Pope Gazette Packet

irst Alexandria was the Fun Side of the Potomac. Then it was Charmville. Now Alexandria is being sold as "extraordinary" in a new \$1.6 million destination advertising campaign that hopes to generate overnight stays by targeting people within a five-hour drive radius. The campaign features advertising in print, broadcast and digital

"We represent the perfect getaway," said Patricia Washington, the organization's new president and

chief operating officer. "That could be a romantic getaway or a getaway with their family or with their girlfriends."

Earlier this year, members of the Alexandria City Council approved a \$200,000 allocation to increase the existing advertising expenditure budget. The line item was sold as a way to increase revenue for the city, and leaders at the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association say they expect the \$200,000 appropriation

will yield \$500,000. Last year, leaders of the association made a similar promise when they requested a \$100,000 appropriation they promised would yield \$300,000 in revenues to the city.

"I'm very confident that the growth attributed to visitors exceeds \$300,000," said Tom Kaiden, chief operating officer for the association.

Calculating the exact revenues that come from an advertising campaign can be tricky because it's unclear how many people have booked a hotel room based on an advertisement they saw in a magazine or how much they spent when they arrived here. But ACVA leaders say all the revenue categories they are

focused on have increased over the last year. Lodging tax revenue went up \$131,000. Room night tax went up about \$13,000. Admissions tax revenues went up \$91,000. Revenue from the retail sales tax is up \$2,8 million, and income from the meals tax increased about \$1.8 million.

"Obviously some of the meals tax and some of the retail sales tax are ascribed to local consumers as well," said Kaiden. "Obviously with the two lodging tax numbers are directly related to local marketing because everyone that stays overnight is a visitor by definition."

CRITICS OF THE CAMPAIGN are more interested in the content than the bottom line. Some say the couple doing the Tango on a cobblestone street looks like it was taken from the cover of a romantic bodice ripper. Others say the concept of calling Alexandria "extraordinary" is itself a problem because it makes implications about other localities in the region. Those who are unhappy with the advertising campaign say it does not capture the essence of the city.

"This notion that we are somehow the elite side of the Potomac is self-appointed elitism," said Poul Hertel, co-chair of the Alexandria Federation of Civic Associations. "Maybe we are elite. Maybe we're not. But I think it's bad taste to rub it in the face of everyone else."

Second guessing the city's marketing campaign is nothing new. Detractors ridiculed the "fun side of the Potomac" as juvenile and cartoonish. Critics of

"Charmville" said it made the city sound like it was aspiring to be a second-class Baltimore. Now those who are unhappy with "extraordinary Alexandria" are calling attention to everything from the music that appears in the video to the nose ring worn by the female dancing in the streets.

"It's tacky," said Yvonne Weight Callahan, president of the Old Town Civic Association. "We have so many ways to sell the history of Alexandria and the architecture and the ambiance. Do we have to throw in sex as well?"

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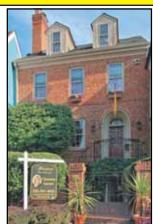


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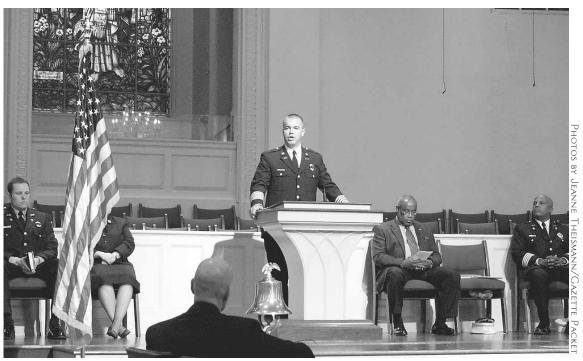
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Fire Chief Adam Thiel delivers a keynote address during the service.

Remembering the Fallen

Ivy Hill ceremony honors fire and EMS personnel.

By Jeanne Theismann GAZETTE PACKET

lexandria's fallen firefighters and EMS personnel were remembered by members of the city's first responder and law enforcement agencies at a memorial service and wreath laying Oct. 11 at First Baptist Church as part of the annual National Fire Prevention Week ceremonies.

"Public service is not an easy thing," said Virginia Secretary of Public Safety Marla Graff Decker, who delivered a keynote address. "Every shift, every call, you run the risk of never coming back."

The ceremony, traditionally held at Ivy Hill Cemetery, was moved indoors due to heavy rains. It honored those who have died in the line of duty and also marked the passing of two members of the department who died during the preceding 12 months: Retired Battalion Chief George E. Toy and retired Capt. Leonard M. Devers.

"Despite the grey of the day, let us talk about the good things in these men's lives," said Alexandria Fire Chief Adam Thiel in his remarks. "Let us remem

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Alexandria Fire Chief Adam Thiel, left, and **Volunteer Fire Department President Jay** Johnson place a wreath on the alter of First Baptist Church as part of the Oct. 11 **National Fire Prevention Week memorial** service for Alexandria Fire and EMS career and volunteer personnel.



Chief Fire Marshall Robert Rodriguez, **Capt.Thurston McClain and Assistant Chief** Rudy Thomas.



Sheriff Dana Lawhorne thanks EMS paramedic Holly Phillips for her service as First Baptist Church associate pastor Bryan Jones looks on.

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Alexandria's Brooke Curran crosses the finish line to win the Easter Island marathon in Chile.



Brooke Curran poses with children from the Ruby Tucker Center following a 1K Fun Run.

Taking It to the Streets Curran kicks off goal to raise \$1 million through marathons.

By Jeanne Theismann Gazette Packet

f anyone has earned the right to use the phrase "Been there, done that," it's Brooke Sydnor Curran. The Alexandria mother of three has completed marathons on all seven continents and in all 50 states, running 1,703 miles to help local charities that benefit at-risk children in the areas of early childhood education and health and fitness.

"Phase 1 is done," said Curran, who founded the RunningBrooke Fund, a 501(c)(3) charity through ACT for Alexandria, in 2009. "Now it's time to start working towards my next goal, which is to raise \$1 million for charities that prepare kids for school, keep them there, and get kids outside and moving."

Curran's original goal — which included running a marathon a month as well as competing in the five world majors of Boston, Berlin, Chicago, London and New York — came to a close Oct. 20 when she crossed the finish line at the Des Moines Marathon. And that, she says, calls for a celebration.

"I am ready to celebrate the end of Phase 1 and kick off Phase 2," said Curran, who is hosting a RunningBrooke Fund celebration



Brooke Curran picks up her personalized race bib prior to the start of the Ghana marathon earlier this month. Curran will kick off Phase 2 of her goal to raise \$1 million for children's charities with a reception Oct. 25.

at her King Street home Oct. 25 from 7 to 9 p.m. "I hope people will come out, have some fun and learn more about the children that are being served through these amazing organizations."

Since its inception, the RunningBrooke fund has raised and donated over \$300,000 to local charities. It has made grants to 17 Alexandria-based nonprofits, benefitting thousands of at-risk children through orga-

Brooke Curran celebrates after winning the Antarctica Marathon in 2012.



nizations such as Girls On the Run, The Reading Connection, Child and Family Network Centers, Carpenter's Shelter, Community Lodgings, Coats for Kids, the Alexandria Tutoring Consortium and the Center for Alexandria's Children.

The RunningBrooke Phase 2 kick-off celebration will take place Oct. 25 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Curran's home at 2413 King Street in Alexandria. All proceeds benefit at-risk children and tickets are available online at https://runningbrooke.eventbrite.com/

"My Phase 2 goal is to run 100 marathons and raise \$1 million for at-risk children in Northern Virginia," Curran said. "I'm not sure how long it will take — probably a projected completion date of the fall of 2016. I'll just keep running a marathon a month until I reach 100."

For more information on the Oct. 25 RunningBrooke celebration, contact Curran at 703-989-4945 or email her at therunningbrookefund@gmail.com. www.runningbrooke.com

Litigation Seeks Clarity on Petitioning City

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE
GAZETTE PACKET

hat do citizens have to do in order to properly file a protest petition forcing a supermajority vote on the City Council? Opponents of the waterfront plan say that's unclear, and now a trial date has been scheduled to clarify the issue, unless the city is successful in its efforts to dismiss the case.

The developments are the latest in the ongoing series of lawsuits challenging the waterfront plan, a controversial

small-area plan that almost triples density at three sites slated for redevelopment compared to what's there now. The complaint was filed by three woman known as the Iron Ladies, April Burke, Beth Gibney and Marie Kux. After the Virginia Supreme Court ruled that their case against the zoning is moot, they filed an amended complaint challenging the process the city used to dismiss concerns raised by the neighbors.

"It's a very important process issue," said Bert Ely, a supporter of the Iron Ladies. "What do people have to do to file a protest petition? The Supreme Court ducked that."

The lawsuit challenges the City Council

vote of March 16 to amend the W-1 zone, overturning a longstanding ban against hotels on the waterfront and increasing the allowable density. Opponents say the lawsuit challenging the process puts what they call a "cloud" over the zoning changes, although city officials say that's not the case. Lawyers representing the city hope to have the case dismissed before the April 14 court date.

This does not put a cloud over the zoning at all," said Mayor Bill Euille. "We have a judicial process that allows people to bring challenges, but I'm hoping we can put all this behind us and move forward with implementing the waterfront plan."

Last year, citizens tried to file a protest petition to force a supermajority vote on the waterfront plan — a threshold that supporters of the plan did not have on the council at the time. Since that time, new members have been elected and a new vote was cast, this time with a supermajority.

Meanwhile, council members changed the rules for what kinds of developments could be challenged with the protest petition. For now, opponents say, the rules remain unclear about how the process works.

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From the Heart

Volunteer Alexandria to honor 2013 awardees.

By Jeanne Theismann Gazette Packet

olunteer Alexandria will present the 19th annual Evening in the Heart of Alexandria Awards Oct. 25, a tribute honoring the exceptional volunteer service of four individuals, including T.C. Williams High School student Emma West, who will receive the first Youth Volunteer Service Award.

Also being recognized for their "give from the heart" volunteer work will be Alan Lomax, who will receive the Marian Van Landingham Lifetime Achievement Award, and Scott Kahler and Seena Foster, each of whom will receive the Joan White Grass Roots Service Award.

ALLEN LOMAX will receive the Marian Van Landingham Lifetime Achievement Award. Lomax, who is also a Living Legend of Alexandria, has been an active volunteer and leader advocating for policies and community change to promote the well-being, growth and development of youth in Alexandria for over 22 years.



Alan Lomax

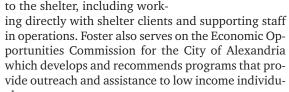
Lomax currently serves on the boards and committees of the Partnership for a Healthier Alexandria, United Way National Capital Area, Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition of Alexandria, Homeless Services Coordinating Committee, Economic Opportunities Commission, Alexandria Collaborators, Alexandria Democratic Committee and Youth Master Plan Design Team.

scott Kahler will receive the Joan White Grass Roots Service Award. For the past seven years, Kahler served as a critical member of the American Red Cross Disaster Action Team (DAT), responding to emergencies such as residential and commercial fires. Kahler responds to events by monitoring scanner ra-



Scott Kahler

dios and is among the most reliable volunteers on the DAT. Kahler is a role model for other volunteers and a leader for others in a variety of areas, including shelter management, client casework and driving the emergency response vehicle. seena foster will receive the Joan White Grass Roots Service Award. Foster has been a volunteer and advocate for the homeless and low income individuals through her direct service work and fundraising for Carpenter's Shelter. For the past five years, Foster has provided more than 1,000 hours to the shelter, including work-



EMMA WEST will receive the Youth Volunteer Service Award. West is a T.C. Williams High School student and a volunteer for the Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition Center of Alexandria (SAPCA). She has supported the agency's efforts by sharing with her peers the harms associated with smoking. West led the SAPCA club in



Emma West

creating an action plan that contains specific strategies and activities to decrease marijuana use among her peers. She helped plan and lead several activities during lunch times at the school. West co-wrote an op-ed piece highlighting Alcohol Awareness Month and SAPCA's work. She is the founder of the T.C. Williams' Breast Cancer Awareness Club, served as the president, and raised nearly \$4,000 towards this effort. In addition, West is a member of Alexandria's Children, Youth, and Families Collaborative Commission and participated in Alexandria's Youth Master Plan.

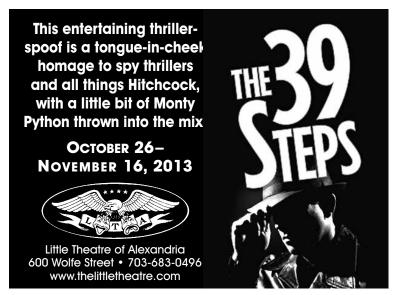
CHAIRED BY Cyndi Lake and Frank Fannon, the Evening in the Heart of Alexandria will be held at the American Legion Post #24 ballroom at 400 Cameron St. from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Sponsorships are still available. For more information, visit www.VolunteerAlexandria.org or contact Marion Brunken at 703-836-2176. Tickets are \$60 per person at http://www.razoo.com/story/Honoring-Our-Volunteers-An-Evening-In-The-Heart-Of-Alexandria.

Service Above Self

Mount Vernon resident Martha Ann Alito, right, admires a Jefferson Cup presented to her by Alexandria Rotary Club president Peter Knetemann Oct. 8 at Belle Haven Country Club. The wife of Supreme Court Justice Sam Alito, Martha Ann Alito was the featured speaker at the club's weekly luncheon and talked about the services provided by The Woodmont House at The Children's Inn at NIH, where she sits on the board of directors. The Woodmont House is a transitional home for families and their children with acute illnesses who have surpassed the maximum length of stay at The Inn. www.childrensinn.org









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EDITORIAL

While much of the coverage and advertising at the top of the ticket has been negative in the extreme, it will still matter who is governor. Don't turn up your nose, hold your nose if necessary, and go

vote. You can vote on Nov. 5; most likely you can vote before that.

Voter Identification

Virginia's existing voter ID requirements will change in July 2014. A law requiring photo identification at the polls was signed into law in May 2013. This new photo identification requirement will not to take effect until July 1, 2014. The current law allows for the acceptance of all identification documents listed here.

When you arrive at your polling place, a voting official will verify that your name is on the registration list. Voters will be asked to present one valid form of identification. It can be any of the following: Virginia voter registration card; Virginia driver's license; military ID; any Federal, Virginia state or local government-issued ID; employer issued photo ID card; concealed handgun permit; valid Virginia student ID; current utility bill, bank statement, government check or paycheck indicating the name and address of the voter; Social Security card.

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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 the City of Alexandria, Office of Voter Registration & Elections, 132 North Royal Street, Suite 100.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Taxpayer Costs And Benefits?

To the Editor:

The Oct. 3 Gazette Packet issue was the first

in several weeks that did not bring more bad news about taxes and city spending.

The biggest item has been the surprise stealth utility tax increase. However this 25 per cent increase shows the true nature of the City Council. If they had any real leadership there



Snapshot

Members of Thames Valley International entertain visitors on the Alexandria City Dock with Morris dancing on Saturday afternoon, Oct. 12.

would be true transparency in raising taxes. Do it openly, the way it is done with property taxes. Dominion Resources exists to provide reliable electric service. They are not meant to be disguised deputy tax collector for this or any other jurisdiction.

Another stealth tax is in your Comcast bill, called PEG, which stands for Public Education & Government (access). This is a fairly new tax to pay for public television. I did not know it was a responsibility of Alexandria to pay for

What do we get for our taxes?

- \diamondsuit An elementary school in the bottom 1 per cent of all elementary schools in the Commonwealth and no accreditation. Remember Sherman's predecessor got the school accred-
- ❖ A high school with similar performance
- * A school board that bought out the contract of the superintendent that produced these stellar results. Worse is we paid for unused vacation. Given the results we would have been better off if he used the leave.
- ❖ An expensive office lease for the school stem headquarters. Given the stellar results. all they seem to accomplish is cost money and have problems with basic financial controls. Has anyone looked at the overhead costs? ❖ A new bicycle tax.
- ❖ An expensive lawsuit against a whistle

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"Dr. Hong has been a wonderful addi-

tion to our veterinary team," states Jason Overman, Medical Director at Springfield Animal Hospital. "She is bringing her unique skill set to our hospital and is already working towards building a lasting relationship with our clients.

Her professional interests include soft tissue surgery and small animal medicine.

When she is not busy caring for her furry, four legged patients, Dr. Hong loves to immerse herself in DIY (do-it-yourself) projects. She has an addiction to Pinterest. which keeps her mind swirling with new ideas for interior design and decor. She enjoys gardening and loves spending time with her own babies: 6 dogs and 2 cats!

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blower who committed the very serious and heinous crime of looking out for the taxpayer. I'm sure I've missed something.

There seems to be no sense of priorities. We will have another expensive lawsuit with Old Dominion Boat Club, but our schools do poorly. Instead there is a push for a skating rink, but little thought about the cost of sewer system or school system space needs.

Given the above, I think the council needs the motto, "We have never met a tax we did not like and would not increase." The ship in the city seal should be changed to a Viking long-ship to reflect the approach of always looting and plundering the taxpayer. Instead the council should take the \$282,000 contract buyout from the school board, apparently they have money to burn.

But there is one bright spot concerning Councilor Wilson. Apparently he is real student of history and a true disciple of President William McKinley. In 1898 McKinley implemented the first telephone excise tax to pay for the Spanish American War. So we know what truly inspires him and the council.

> William Blumberg, MBA Alexandria

Not Ready for Prime Time

To the Editor:

The Alexandria Housing Master Plan was the subject of a second City Council Work Session on Oct. 8. That work session made one thing clear. Unfortunately the Alexandria Housing Master Plan is not yet ready for prime time. This is truly unfortunate as the Alexandria Housing Master Plan has been in process, being drafted, for more than four years.

To be ready for prime time, the Alexandria Housing Master Plan must, minimally, set aspirational housing goals. The Alexandria Housing Master Plan must set goals. The City Council made it clear that their aspiration was to punt goals into an appen-

No other master plan that has been adopted by the City of Alexandria is devoid of goals. Small area plans, the Master Transportation Plan, the Master Sewer Plan, even

the Bicycle Master Plan, have goals. Without goals, there is no way to set objectives. no way to determine local housing funding in more than a haphazard way.

Alexandria has seen a sea change in the kind of community it is. It used to be a community that was 75 per cent renter-occupied (in 1975). By 2010 that number had dropped to 56.7 per cent.

From an affordable housing standpoint, the Alexandria housing market used to supply significant quantities of affordable rental housing. In 2000, some 18,000 rental units were affordable to people with incomes below 60 percent of the area median income. Sixty per cent of the area median income is the income earned by young professionals; by retail workers; by custodians, mechanics and cab drivers; by retired people-by the people this community needs to staff its jobs and by the people who have lived in Alexandria for much of their lives and who wish to continue to live here.

By 2012, the number of rental units affordable to people with incomes below 60 per cent of the area median income had dropped to 9.850.

The Calvert Apartments used to provide more than 175 affordable rentals. When the "rehabilitation" currently underway is done, it will provide no affordable rentals. The 9,850-unit figure also includes the Beauregard corridor and Hunting Point; so we know it has dropped and will continue

Alexandria should prioritize the preservation of affordable units as one of the most important considerations when a rental complex seeks public approval for renovations or condominium conversion. A Housing Master Plan must prioritize the preservation of as much of the remaining affordable housing stock as possible. Alexandria should make full use of existing powers like the establishment of a special affordable housing district using Title 36 of the Virginia Code (as Arlington has done with the Rosslyn Ballston corridor and is doing with Columbia Pike.)

The district would require all development in designated areas to retain or replace existing affordable units.

The Plan provides a single strategy to create and retain committed affordable units. That strategy is to obtain committed afford

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esponding to the federal government surprising that we are experiencing such a slow shutdown's effect on local businesses, down."

The D.C. metro area is densely populated with government employees, with Virginia having over 300,000 alone.

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Adams has extensive experience in school leadership and day-to-day operational management, curriculum planning, faculty support and mentoring, fiscal management and financial models, as well as strategic planning, development and fundraising, and campus master planning.

She currently serves as associate head of school and head of Upper School at McDonogh School in Owings Mills, Md. Among her duties, she has coordinated the academic planning and programmatic decision-making during construction of two new buildings, STEM (2013) and Student Center (2014). In addition, she has ad-



Kirsten Prettyman Adams.

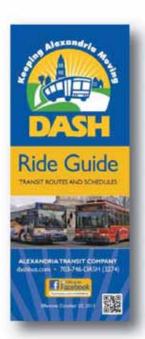
ministrative oversight for and has been involved in all aspects of McDonogh's boarding community.

Previously, Adams served as head of Upper School at The Hockaday School in Dallas, Texas, where she played a major role in implementing the school's new

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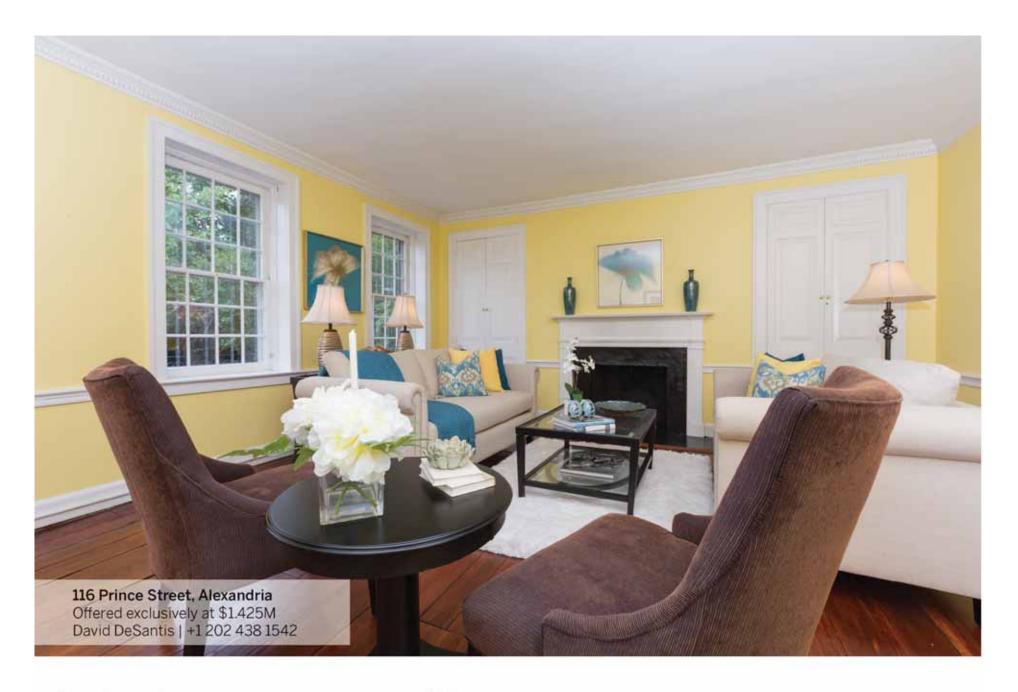
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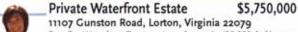




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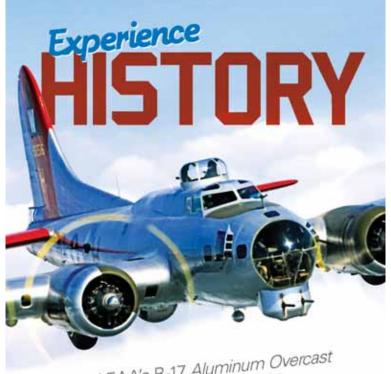






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NEWS



Fire Chief Adam Thiel leads a salute to fallen firefighters and EMS personnel at the Oct. 11 memorial service at First Baptist Church.

Remembering The Fallen

From Page 5

ber men like Joshua Weissman and all of those on this honor roll."

The ceremony included the Roll Call of the Fallen, a reading of 19 names of fire safety and EMS career and volunteer personnel who have died in the line of duty, followed by the laying of a wreath by Thiel and Volunteer Fire Department President Jay Johnson.

"Behind those 19 names are family members and friends," Decker said. "They will not be forgotten by the citizens they served. We will remember their service and sacrifice as we continue to work together, celebrate together and grieve together."

Retired fire department employee Callie Terrell led attendees in a rendition of "America the Beautiful" and Lt. Matthew Craig played "Taps" to close the ceremony.

"Let us remember the dedication of these men and how they lived their lives," Thiel said. "And let us also be thankful for the service our men and women in the first responder community continue to provide."



Sheriff Dana Lawhorne visits with retired Chief Fire Marshall Michael Conner.



Vice mayor Allison Silberberg, Greg Murphy, Janet Barnett, Mitch Opalski and councilman Tim Lovain.

Рнотоѕ ву Jeanne Theismann GAZETTE PACKET

By Jeanne Theismann GAZETTE PACKET

he award-winning Port City Brewing Company hosted the second annual Senior Services of Alexandria Oktoberfest tour and tasting fundraiser Oct. 9 to support the many programs provided to Alexandria seniors.

"We are so thankful to everyone who turned out this evening," said SSA board president Greg Murphy. "Without our donors and supporters, we would not be able to provide the much-needed services to seniors in our city."

Despite the heavy rains, more than 100 attendees turned out to support SSA and to sample the locally-



Senior Services of Alexandria Executive Director Mary Lee Anderson, left, and SSA board president Greg Murphy recognize donors at the Oct. 9 Oktoberfest fundraiser at Port City Brewing Company.



Elizabeth and Page Moon enjoy a tour of the Port City Brewery facilities.

Oktoberfest 2013 Port City Brewery hosts Senior Services fundraiser.

brewed craft beers, including the Optimal Wit, which just won the Gold medal in the Belgian-style Witbier category at the prestigious Great American Beer Festival in Denver.

"We're honored to support the programs of Senior Services," said Port City's tasting room manager Jen Chace. "We're also proud to introduce a new audience to our selection of beers." Attendees sampled traditional fare provided by Federal City Caterers and Logan Sausages. Murphy welcomed everyone and thanked them for their support of SSA's programs including Meals on Wheels, the Friendly Visitors program and a month speaker series.

For more information, call 703-836-4414 or visit www.seniorservicesalex.org.



ACT's John Porter, right, hams it up for SSA board member Lynwood Campbell, who recorded much of the evening's antics with his cell phone video camera.



Greg Murphy and Cathy Puskar enjoy the SSA Oktoberfest Oct. 9 at Port City Brewing Company.

COMMUNITY NOTES

Beautification Award Winners

he Alexandria Beautification Commission announced the 2013 Alexandria Beautification Award winners in a ceremony held on Sept. 30 at the Little Theatre of Alexandria. The commission, Mayor William Euille, and Councilman Tim Lovain presented 37 awards.

RECYCLING

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1102 Finley Lane

5524 Forrestal Avenue 2202 Fort Ward Place

5107 & 5109 Heritage Lane

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Stonegate Mews/Manors at Stonegate Common Area Sibley Street Community Path — Debra Vogel

The commission sponsors the Alexandria Beautification Awards each year recognizing a community member's efforts to contribute to the beautification of their neighborhoods and public vistas. Nominations are made by members of the commission and the community and are judged by members on the use of plants, texture, and color, neighborhood context, marked improvements, and overall appearance. Winners are limited to properties visible from the public right of way. The Alexandria Beautification Commission is a 12-member volunteer board approved by the City Council for two-year terms.

Looking for Houdini

very determined Australian Shepherd owner, Kim Gregg of New Jersey, and the dog-loving community of Alexan dria have joined together to find a Red Merle Aussie lost only four hours after being placed with a new family. Houdini is a 3-year-old male, 45 pounds, with long hair patterned in interesting patches of reddish brown and beige. He has been missing in the Del Ray and Old Town area since Sept. 11.

Citizens throughout Alexandria are working with assistance from as far away as Alabama and Michigan, to find the dog. Updates on the search and downloadable copies of the flyer can be found on the Facebook page Have You Seen Houdini? www.facebook.com/haveyouseenhoudini.

The focus continues to be on recent areas where he has been seen including East Monroe Avenue, Masonic Temple, Beverly Hills, Belle Haven and Jones Point.

If seen, call 609-805-1413 and/or 703-618-1998 to report the location, but do not make any move toward him.

OBITUARIES

Tom Shaw Remembered by Friends and Family

By Gale Curcio Gazette Packet

om Shaw was a survivor. For years, he survived vocal cord cancer, strokes and a myriad of other health issues. To many he was dubbed as 'the man with nine lives.'



Tom Shaw

Unfortunately,

Thomas Michael Shaw's body finally succumbed to the many attacks on his body and he died on Wednesday, Oct. 9, 2013. He was 67 years old.

Shaw was born on July 23, 1946 in New York, N.Y. He was the son of Thomas and Kathleen Shaw and attended Don Bosco Prep and Fordham University.

He is survived by his wife, Karen Shaw, a supervisor of Cardiovascular Interventional Radiology at Inova Alexandria Hospital. Karen and his family were with him every step of the way. Early on, when he lost his voice and before he had a throat box installed, she said, "I miss hearing his voice."

He had one son, Bronhed Shaw, from a previous marriage, who married Sparkle Shaw. They were blessed with a grandson, Gavin Shaw, who Tom was able to enjoy before he died. He and Karen are the parents of Ian Shaw and Kate Cavanaugh, married to Greg Cavanaugh.

Steve Crane, client relations manager at CACI Productions Group, was a close friend, and said, "I met Tom in 1979. I was his bartender at The Wayfarers in Old Town, and when he started a business in media production, he hired me and later we became partners in a firm that has been in business for over 25 years. Through his wife Karen, I was introduced to my wife Judy, and we

have been close friends and travelers together since 1986, even godparents to each other's children. So I owe both my entry into my career and finding the love of my life to Tom.

"Tom was always a great listener, and had a gift for bringing people together to enjoy their camaraderie and good times. Tom had a special feeling for place and time, for history, an appreciation for living in the moment and sharing that moment with whomever accompanied him. From the National ballpark to the Delaware Shore, from Ocean Drive on Miami Beach to Redskins games, Tom and I shared many memorable times together, and I will miss my friend very

"Tom was an innovator and ahead of his time in terms of applying media production with cutting edge distribution techniques to reach professional healthcare audiences."

Early on, Shaw was in magazine distribution and then sold X-ray film for Kodak. He decided to get into media production, creating Med-Scene in partnership with radiologists from Alexandria Hospital in 1979. He created an interventional radiology video production firm in the U.S., a leader in educational media at the time.

In 1984, he merged his company to create Media Exchange, a production company based in Old Town, producing programming for pharmaceutical companies, the American Stock Exchange, Columbia Pictures, among other clients. He split away in 1987 to form International Information Resources (IIR), which grew into a major player in the sector of live interactive satellite programming.

Shaw helped create a number of private satellite networks that IIR produced the media for, including Clinical Center Grand Rounds in collaboration with NIH, CenterNet with the Association of Academic Health Centers, and ran production for Hospital Satellite Network for three years in the early 90s.

IIR produced MedScholar, the first of its kind digital network to provide continuing professional health education to practitioner's homes via cable.

He began Outcome Communications in the mid-90s and was a partner in Celebrate Productions, a live event and staging company that provides production services to ExxonMobil among its other clients.

There were few networking events or causes that Shaw didn't support and he was a source of support and knowledge to many organizations. He served on many boards and committees.

"I met Tom several years ago and he introduced me to the SFDC [Southeast Fairfax Development Corporation] when Lara Fritts was the executive director and he got me involved with SFDC," said Peter G. Baldwin, MarketForce Strategies. "He was very generous in making connections, and always tried to create business opportunities. On top of that, he was just a nice guy with a good heart."

Shaw loved to contribute to and participate in community events. He spent a lot of time with the "Men's Group" and at Via Veneto. He also enjoyed taking his beloved dog Seamus to local dog parks and playing tennis and listening to NPR. His most precious time was spent with his family and friends.

Another good friend, Michael Lewan, said, "Tom was a Renaissance Man - comfortable talking politics, poetry, sports and culture. But in a way that made others feel comfortable and welcoming to his knowledge. Tom was a teacher in every sense of the word."

Memorial service will be held on Friday, Oct. 18, 4 p.m., at Saint Louis Catholic Church (2907 Popkins Lane, Alexandria).

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations be made in Tom's name to the "Stroke Fund" at Inova Alexandria Hospital Foundation, 4320 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA 22304.

John A. Bender

John A. Bender died at Georgetown Hospital on Saturday, Oct. 5, 2013. John was born Feb. 2, 1942 in Brooklyn, N.Y. After leaving home to volunteer for the U.S. Army, he served honorably from 1959-1963. From 1964 until 1973 he worked at National Airlines, and then followed his pursuit in the financial services industry from 1973 until he retired from UBS in 2012. He lived in Northern Virginia for his adult life, in both Arlington and Alexandria.

As a sports enthusiast, John loved the Nationals and Redskins and enjoyed friendly wagers over fantasy football, and horse racing. One of John's favorite pastimes was fishing, with the camaraderie of friends. Admired for his giving nature, he never wanted recognition for his generosity. His quick wit and sense of humor left him surrounded by laughs. Friends considered him a master chef and enjoyed his colorful and elaborate feasts.

Survivors include his partner of 29 years, Pat Heflin of Alexandria, and his loving ex-



tended family: Herbert S. Herrman of Pawley's Island, S.C.; Cynthia Fagan of San Diego, Calif.; Susan Grolton of Williamsport, Md.; **Gruff Herrman of Toms** Brook, Va.; and Katie Bowers of Stafford, Va.

John Bender wished to convey to his extended family and friends, too numerous to mention, his eternal gratitude for their overwhelming love, encouragement, laughter, e-mails and cards.

Services will be held at Arlington National Cemetery at a future date. Visit http:// www.everlywheatleyfuneralhome.com/ for updates.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to the Wounded Warrior Project are welcome at: support.woundedwarrior project.org/honor.

Police Make DWI Arrests not been impaired by alcohol or drugs.

Alexandria police conducted a roamapprehend intoxicated drivers from 8 Saturday, Sept. 28. Vehicles observed committing traffic infractions were stopped and drivers were checked to assure that their abilities to drive had

During the effort, 35 vehicles were stopped. Nine sobriety checks were coning DWI enforcement effort to deter and ducted and two arrests were made for Driving While Intoxicated (DWI). In adp.m. on Friday, Sept. 27, to 6 a.m. on dition, 16 summonses for miscellaneous traffic offenses and 19 traffic warnings were issued. Two vehicles were impounded. Three Alexandria police officers participated in the effort.

Neighborhood

Seminary Valley

Anne O'Neil, Polk's Safe Routes to Schools Coordinator, reports that on Oct. 9, over 700 K-5 students and their families walked to school. Bus riders were rerouted and dropped off at the parking lot behind Hammond and walked down the hill to the Polk blacktop. Among the morning's highlights were:

- ❖ A police motorcycle escort that drove along with the bus walkers to make sure they were safe.
- ❖ The engine and fire fighters from Station #206 on Seminary Road; the fire fighters helped pass out goodies to the students; and
- Students recieved a banana, sticker, wrist band and kicked off the day with a mini dance party (with music and speakers) on the black-

Anne wants to particularly thank Polk's PE teachers, PTA volunteers, Polk's nurse, Stephanie Lailiari, and assorted Polk teachers who lent a hand with the festivities.

Anne also wanted to send out a few observations about keeping our walkers and bike riders safe as they walk to Polk, Patrick Henry and

Please come to a complete stop at the stop signs on Taney Avenue and be aware that there are crosswalks close to the school along Polk Avenue, at Pickett and Pegram in particular.

The PTA is looking into installing a prominent crosswalk directly in front of the school.

The Beatley Library is one of the West End's gems, and you can help support it by coming out to the Library's big book sale on Saturday, Oct. 19 from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. In addition to the sale, the Library is hosting a special event: Allan Stypek, president of Second Story Books and antiquarian book expert, will be at the Library at 12:30 p.m. to appraise your old books.

Many congratulations to the 16 West Alexandria winners of the Alexandria Beautification Commission Awards, handed out on September 30. Of special note are the winners at 510 N. Pegram St., 124 N. Early St., the Mobil Station at 4109 Duke Street and Mini of Alexandria at 5990 Duke St. Each year the commission canvases the city in search of properties that have improved their surroundings through landscape, maintenance, and other comnunity efforts. The commission also solicits award nominations from the

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BULLETIN

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

FRIDAYS THROUGH DEC. 13

Flu Vaccination Clinic. Every Friday through Dec. 13, 3-6 p.m. in Hospital Health Education Center at Inova Alexandria Hospital, 4320 Seminary Road. \$30/shot; \$35/fluMist. Inova accepts Medicare Part B as payment in full for persons who are not enrolled in a managed care or advantage plan and bring their Medicare card. All others must pay and will be given a receipt to submit to insurance company. Visit www.inova.org/flu.

THURSDAY/OCT. 17

Annual Seniors Fair. 9 a.m.-noon at Inova Mount Vernon Hospital, 2501 Parkers Lane. Event will feature free health screenings, wellness information and more. Free massages are also offered. Registration required. Call 1-855-694-6682 and

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FRIDAY/OCT. 18

CPR Certification. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Global Health College, 25 S. Quaker Lane. Get certified or renew certification. \$75. Register at mmyers@global.edu or 703-212-7410 ext. 1136.

SATURDAY/OCT. 19

Senior Law Day 013. 8:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. at First Baptist Church, 2932 King St. Learn from law enforcement, legal and financial experts about the diverse frauds, scams, identity theft, financial abuse and other schemes targeting seniors in the Washington Metropolitan area. Free. To register visit www.seniorservicesalex.org or call Senior Services of Alexandria at 703-836-4414, ext. 10.

Craft Sale. 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road. More than 30 crafters, silent auction, bake sale, lunch and door prizes will be featured. Free admission. This is the main fundraiser for the center. 703-324-4600 TTY 711.

Old and Rare Book Appraisals.

Noon-2 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Allan Stypeck, noted antiquarian book expert, will be available to appraise books. Free. Visit www.alexandria.lib.va.us or 703-746-1702.

Country Market. 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Alexandria Country Day School, 2400 Russell Road. Enjoy a day of games, food, and fun for all ages at ACDS's annual Country Market. This year's event features a performance by The Great Zucchini at 11 a.m. Country Market is open to the public and although admission is free, most games and performances require the purchase of carnival tickets. Call 703-837-1308 or visit www.acdsnet.org for more information.

City Council Public Hearing. 9:30 a.m. at City Hall, Council Chamber, 301 King St.

Lecture and Demonstration. 10 a.m.-noon at Alexandria Archaeology Museum, 105 N. Union St., #32 Bernard Means will talk "Fire Up the Lasers! Creating 3D Avatars of Archaeological Objects." Free, but reservations required, archaeology@alexandriava.gov or 703-746-4399

Special Council Meeting. 6 p.m. in

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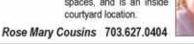


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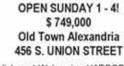
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E-mail announcements to gazette@connectionnewspapers.com. Photos and artwork are encouraged. Deadline is Thursday at noon.

ONGOING

- **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.

 The Marshall House Incident
- **Exhibition.** Through 2013 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.
- **Book a Librarian.** At the Charles E. Beatley, Jr. Central Library, 5005 Duke St, for help with research or to better understand the library's databases and resources. Make an appointment by calling 703-746-1751.
- **Computer Tutoring.** At the Charles E. Beatley, Jr. Central Library, 5005 Duke St. Individual assistance from a librarian. Call 703-746-1751.
- Encore Chorale. Mondays 10:30 a.m.noon at the George Washington
 Masonic National Memorial, 101
 Callahan Dr. Register now for Encore
 Chorale's fall season. The group of
 singers, ages 55 and up, practice
 classical and holiday songs to prepare
 for December performances. \$150
 tuition. Visit encorecreativity.org or
 call 301-261-5747.
- Art Exhibit. See the second Front Porch Installation by Ned Egan. "Leci n'est pas une Magrite" is on display at 18 W. Linden St.
- Art Exhibit. See "Collaborations" through Oct. 20 at Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery in Studio 18 of the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Artists share inspirations to create pieces combining the input of two or more artists. It is open from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. everyday except on Thursdays when it is open from 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Visit www.potomacfiber artsgallery.com for more.
- Art Exhibit. See "Deep, Full, and Not Quite Real" at The Athenaeum Gallery, 201 Prince St., through Oct. 20. Features four artists exploring concepts of depth and threedimensionality. Visit www.nyfaa.org
- dimensionality. Visit www.nvfaa.org. **Art Exhibit.** See "Del-Ray-geous" at Del Ray Artisans, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. The exhibit focuses on the outrageous parts of Del Ray and community. Free. Visit www.TheDelRayArtisans.org.
- Art Exhibit. See "Disconnect" at Target Gallery in the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St., through Nov. 3. This all-media exhibit showcases how technology impacts our lives. Free. Visit
- www.torpedofactory.org/target. **Theater Performance.** Through
 Sunday, Nov. 3, see the premiere of
 "Gee's Bend" at MetroStage, 1201 N.
 Royal St. Watch as the true story of
 the Pettway family unfolds during
 the Civil Rights Movement and they
 become famous for their iconic quilts.
 Performances for Gee's Bend will be
 Thursdays and Fridays at 8 p.m.,

- Saturdays at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m., Sundays at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. For ticket reservations call 800-494-8497 or visit www.metrostage.org. For information and group sales call 703-548-9044
- Art Exhibit. See "Onstage" at the Art League Gallery in the Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. Composed of musicians, instruments and audiences, Cindi Lewis' paintings allow viewers to enjoy a musical performances from a visual perspective. The display is open from Oct. 10-No.v 4. Visit www.theartleague.org or 703-683-1790
- Art Exhibit. "Sacred Earth, Healing
 Water" by Anne Bouie at Schlesinger
 Center Margaret W. & Joseph L.
 Fisher Gallery, 3001 N. Beauregard
 St. Runs through Nov. 11. Gallery
 hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. MondayFriday and during performances.
 Visit www.nvc.edu/
 schlesingercenter/ for more.
- Art Exhibit. Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery presents "Colors of Autumn" in Studio 18 at Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Exhibit starts on Oct. 22 and closes Nov. 17. Free. Some items will be for sale. Visit www.potomacfiberarts gallery.com or 703-548-0935.
- **Art Exhibit.** See never-before-seen hats from Dr. Seuss's private collection along with prints and sculpture from the art of Dr. Seuss Collection. Runs Nov. 2-17 at P&C Art Gallery, 212 King St. Visit www.peart.com.
- Theater Performance. See "Shiloh Rules" by Doris Baizley, the second production that is part of "A Salute to the American Voice." Performances are Friday-Saturday, Nov. 8-9, 15-16, 22-23 and Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 8 p.m.; Saturday matinees Nov. 16, 23 at 2 p.m. All performances are at Port City Playhouse, 1819 N. Quaker Lane. \$18/adult; \$16/senior, military and student; \$14/groups of 10 or more. Visit www.portcityplay house.org/ for more.
- Art Exhibit. See "Concrete, Glass and Color," mosaic art by Jane Pettit at Crossroads Gallery at Goodwin House Bailey's Crossroads, 3440 S. Jefferson St., Falls Church. Free. The exhibit runs Oct. 16 through Nov. 24. 703-578-7201.
- Art Exhibit. See "Del Ray Dozen
 Invitational Photography Show" at
 Del Ray Artisans, 2704 Mount
 Vernon Ave. Subject matter ranges
 from landscapes to portraits and a
 little bit of everything in between and
 the select photographers approach
 their craft in different ways—as
 traditional film shooters, digital
 image-makers, darkroom junkies,
 print makers, and experimentalists.
 Exhibit runs Nov. 1 through Dec. 1.
 For more information, visit
- www.TheDelRayArtisans.org. **Art Exhibit.** See "Portent" in the Athenaeum Gallery, 201 Prince St., from Oct. 24 through Dec. 8. The works attempt to visually come to terms with, reflect or represent the magnitude of natural events. Free. Visit www.nvfaa.org for more.
- Friday Affair Market. Noon-4 p.m. at Historic Hollin Hall on the grounds of Mount Vernon Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Lane. Held the first and third Fridays through December. Vendors vary from week to week, but usually include baked goods, jewelry, pet items and more. Visit http://mvuc.org for more.
- mvuc.org for more.

 African American Activists
 - **Exhibition.** Through Saturday, Jan. 4, 2014, Living Legends of Alexandria is an ongoing photodocumentary 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



Pictured at 2012's Alexandria Shelter Walk for Homeless Animals are Shari Bolouri and Pomeroy, Mary Beth Norris and Sandy, and Gordon Kromberg and Champ.

Walk for a Paws

Join the Animal Welfare League of Alexandria on Sunday, Oct. 20 at Market Square for the second annual Alexandria Shelter Walk for Homeless Animals. The walk raises critical funds to support AWLA programs and is the only walk to benefit the Vola Lawson Animal Shelter. Walkers are encouraged to bring their canine friends. Please leave cats, small mammals, birds, reptiles and amphibians at home but join the walk and represent your companion animals. Adult registration is \$25 and includes an event t-shirt and bandana. Youth registration (ages 6-16) is \$10 and includes a t-shirt. Children 5 and under are free. Prizes will be awarded to the top team and individual (adult and youth) fundraisers. Online registration closes Oct. 18 at noon. Day-of registration is \$40 for an adult and \$15 for a youth and will be available the morning of the walk, starting at 8 a.m. Visit www.alexandriaanimals.org.

through Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Visit www.alexblackhistory.org or call 703-746-4356.

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

- Learn How to Make Toscana Food.
 Saturday, Oct. 26 at 11 a.m. at
 Osteria Marzano, 6361 Walker Lane.
 Learn how to make the dishes with
 Chef Carmine Marzano and then dine
 on the food you've made. \$85/
 person. RSVP with name, number of
 participants, and contact info to
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- info@osteriamarzano.com.

 Registration Still Open. The Art
 League School has openings in more
 than 200 classes and 50 workshops,
 from painting, jewelry, photography
 and more. Visit
- www.theartleague.org to register. **Seasonal Cupcake Decorating Classes.** Tuesdays from 5-7 p.m.,

Wednesdays from 5-7 p.m., Saturdays as scheduled and Sundays from 3-5 p.m. at Occasionally Cake, 207 King St. Learn four different designs for take-home cupcakes. \$60/person. Age 11 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Visit www.occasionallycake.com or 703-647-9638. Call for designs.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

Submit Art for The Christmas Attic's Holiday Advent Calendar Art Celebration. The Christmas Attic is looking for 25 artist and/or community organizations (churches, schools, charities, businesses, individuals) who are interested in participating in this project. Each day at sundown, one advent art piece will be revealed and illuminated. Visit www.christmasattic.com on how to submit the art. Sign up by Nov. 1.

OCT. 4 THROUGH 27

THURSDAY/OCT. 17 Annual Fashion Show and

- Luncheon. 10 a.m. at Fort Belvoir Officers Club. Fashions for women of all sizes will be provided by Bloomingdales. Proceeds will be donated by Yacht Haven Garden Club to local charities and organizations. For tickets contact Terra at tadmommy@verizon.net.
- **Book Sale.** 10 a.m. at Duncan Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Browse books for all ages and genres. 703-746-
- 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. Story Time. 10:30 a.m. at Beatley
- Story Time. 10:30 a.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.
- 703-746-1702 ext. 5. **Story Time.** 4 p.m. at Barrett Branch
 Library, 717 Queen St. Children ages
 3 and up can enjoy games, stories
 and more. Free. 703-746-1703.
- Book Sale. 4-8:30 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Members preview, but memberships are available at the door. Browse hardbacks/paperbacks in all genres, DVDs, comics and more. 703-746-1702
- Paws to Read. 5:30 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Children in grades 1-6 can read to friendly dogs. Registration required, 703-746-1702
- Yoga. Enjoy free outdoor yoga classes at

- 1900 Mt. Vernon Ave., from 6-7 p.m. Taught by Maureen Clyne of Prasada Yoga, Harvest Moon Yoga classes are suitable for all levels. Contact Maureen at yoga@prasadayoga.com or 703-967-8884.
- **Great Books Discussion Group.** 7 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Discuss "The New Organon" by Francis Bacon. Free. 703-746-1702.
- Pajama Party. 7 p.m. at Burke Branch Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Children ages 3-7 can come dressed in their favorite outfit/pajamas and listen to stories. Free. 703-746-1704. Knit Nite. 7 p.m. at Beatley Library,
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- Poems and Stories of Edgar Allan Poe. 7 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Actors from Guillotine
- Prince St. Actors from Guillotine Theatre will read some stories and poems. \$10/person. Visit www.nvfaa.org or 703-548-0035.
- Concert. 7:30 p.m. at the Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Vanessa Carlton performs. \$29.50. Visit www.birchmere.com or call 703-549-7500.
- **Lecture.** 7:30 p.m. at The Lloyd House, 220 N. Washington St. "Death & Dying During the Civil War" lecture. Free. 703-746-4554.
- Fundraiser. 7-8:30 p.m. at Artfully Chocolate Old Town, 506 John Carlyle St. A portion of all book sales of "Ruby and Baby an Unlikely Friendship" will be donated to the Amboseli Trust for Elephants. 703-575-8686.

FRIDAY/OCT. 18

Book Sale. 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. at

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Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Browse hardbacks/paperbacks in all genres, DVDs, comics and more. 703-746-1702

Friday Affair Market. 12-4 p.m. at historic Hollin Hall, 1909 Windmill Lane. Purchase baked goods, treats, flowers and crafts from local vendors. Held the first and third Fridays of every month through December. Call 202-256-5332.

SATURDAY/OCT. 19

5K Family Walk/Run. Registration begins at 7 a.m., race begins at 8 a.m. at Cameron Run Regional Park, 4001 Eisenhower Ave. Run and walk to show appreciation for the caregivers of wounded warriors. Visit www.operationhomefront.net or 703-421-9033

Guided Bus Tour. Learn about the events surrounding the death of President Abraham Lincoln on April 14, 1865 and the escape route of his assassin, John Wilkes Booth. The itinerary will focus on sites in Washington, D.C. and southern Maryland. Tour departs from Fort Ward Museum at 8 a.m. and returns at 6 p.m. Registration required. \$95/members of Friends of Fort Ward, and \$110 for non-members, and includes a box lunch. Deadline to register is Oct. 7. 703-746-4848.

Annual Bazaar. 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road. More than 30 crafters will display their wares, lunch items will be offered, silent auction, bake sale and door prizes. 703-765-4573.

Theater Performance. 2 p.m. at Olde Towne Theatre, 815 King St. See a performance of "The Big Meow," adapted from the book by Elizabeth Spires. \$10-\$20/person. Visit www.oldtowntheater1914.com or 703-544-5315.

Author Discussion. 10 a.m. at the Alexandria Archaeology Museum. Jay Roberts will discuss and then sign copies of his book "River to Rails: A Guidebook to Historical Markers in Old Town Alexandria, Virginia." Free, but reservations required.

Nelly's Needlers Fall Bazaar. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Woodlawn Plantation, 9000 Richmond Highway. Browse hundreds of handmade gifts and items for the home, as well as preserves and home prepared goodies. All proceeds benefit Historic Woodlawn. Visit www.woodlawnpopeleighey.org/ for

Community Fair. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at St. Louis School, 2901 Popkins Lane. Events include train rides, slides,

games, food, bake sale, vendors and apple pie bake-off. Free admission. Small fee for each

activity. 703-799-4844.

Book Sale. 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Browse hardbacks/paperbacks in all genres, DVDs, comics and more. 703-746-1702.

Fall Festival. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Armistead L. Boothe Park, 520 Cameron Station Blvd. Watch a puppet show, hear music, nature center displays, face painting and more. Admission is free, but tickets required for pony rides, scarecrow building and other events. 703-746-5592.

Friends of Duncan Library Book Sale. 10 a.m. at Duncan Library, 2501 Commonwealth Ave. Browse books, CDs and more. 703-746-1705.

Friends of Beatley Library Book Sale. 10 a.m. at Beatley Library,
5005 Duke St. Browse books, CDs
and more. 703-746-1702.

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

Fall Festival. 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at Plymouth Haven Baptist Church. Features a chili and mac 'n cheese

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Get Crafty

Del Ray Artisans' Craft Night Social provides time to work on a project in progress or start a new one. It is also an opportunity to get to know other creative individuals. The evening is



open to all who knit, crochet, sew, scrapbook, make cards or jewelry, or any other fiber, paper or general craft that does not involve wet media other thar glue. Each crafter will receive 2-3 feet of table space. Each four-hour session is \$8 for Del Ray Artisans members and \$10 for non-members. Space is limited register at www.TheDelRayArtisans.org/craft. Contact Lisa a artenuestra@yahoo.com.

Craft Night Social is 5-9 p.m. Oct. 22, at Del Ray Artisans gallery at the Nicho las A. Colasanto Center, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave.

cook-off, obstacle course, games, bake sale and more. Tickets cost \$0.50 or 40 for \$15. There will also be a raffle. Visit

www.plymouthhaven.org for more. **Old and Rare Appraisals.** Noon at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Allan Stypek will do book appraisals. Free. 703-746-1702.

Oscar Film Series. 2 p.m. at Burke Branch Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Call for title. Free. 703-746-1704.

Oktoberfest & Silent Auction. 3-7 p.m. at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Road. Enjoy games, live German music, authentic German food and more. Visit staidansepiscopal.com or 703-360-4220 for more.

Author Signing. 3 p.m. at Potomac Barnes and Noble, 3651 Jefferson Davis Highway. Maggie Sefton will sign copies of her book "Poisoned Politics." Free. 703-299-9124.

Spirits, Suffering, and Society:
Death in Civil War Alexandria.
6-9 p.m. at Lee-Fendall House, 614
Oronoco St. Enjoy re-enactments of a soldier facing his death and more.
\$15/person. Visit
www.leefendallhouse.org for more.

Italian Concert. 6:30-10:30 p.m. at Knights of Columbus Hall, 8592 Richmond Highway. Features Washington National Opera singers. \$30 includes dinner by Pema's at 6:30 p.m. Call 703-360-1964 ext. 4 for reservations.

Speakeasy Party and Silent Auction. 7-10 p.m. at Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 N. Royal St. Enjoy cocktails, heavy appetizers, silent auction and more. \$40/ member; \$45/non-member. Visit www.gadsbystavernmuseum.us for tickets. Period dress encouraged.

Cake Tasting and Decorating
Contest. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at Inova
Mount Vernon Hospital. Children 18
years of age and under can enter in
one category; adults above age 18
can enter the second category. There
will also be a Kids Zone, Lucky Dog
Animal Rescue, food and more.
Submit an entry application online at
www.celebrationMVL.com or 703360-6925. Deadline is Oct. 14.

Concert. 7:30 p.m. at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 8009 Fort Hunt Road. See Countertop in concert. \$15 suggested donations, with proceeds benefiting United Community ministries. 703-765-4342.

SUNDAY/OCT. 20

Walk for Homeless Animals. 9 a.m. at Market Square, 301 King St. Enjoy a 1.5-mile walk through Old Town to help the Animal Welfare League of Alexandria prevent pet overpopulation and curb animal homelessness. Visit

www.alexandriaanimals.org/walk to learn more and register.

Book Sale. 1-4:30 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Browse hardbacks/paperbacks in all genres, DVDs, comics and more. 703-746-1702.

Civil War Sunday. 1-5 p.m. at Alexandria Archaeology Museum, 105 N. Union St. #327. See an original May 26, 1861, edition of the "The New-York Tribune," a diorama of a heating system, a cocked and loaded Wickham musket discarded in a privy during the 1860s and more. Free. Visit www.alexandriaarchaeology.org or 703-746-4399.

Cauldron Tea. 2 p.m. at Carlyle House, 121 N. Fairfax St. Enjoy a spooky afternoon tea and a tour of the museum where you can learn about 18th century funeral and mourning practices in Virginia. Costumes encouraged. \$30/adult; \$15/child age 5-12. Reservations required 703-549-2997.

In the Company of President
James Madison. 3-4:30 p.m. at
Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 N.
Royal St. Be transported back to Oct.
20, 1813 as President James Madison
discusses the unfolding events.
Reservations recommended. \$15/
person; \$10/student. Visit
shop.alexandria.gov or 703-746-4242
for tickets.

"All That Jazz" Benefit. 5-8 p.m. at The Carlyle Club, 411 John Carlyle St. Celebrate and support At Home in Alexandria with a silent auction, music and more. 703-231-0824.

Music Performance. Focus Music presents Jack Gabriel with Michelle Swan at 7 p.m. at Episcopal Church of the Resurrection, 2280 N. Beauregard St. \$18/advance; \$15/member. Visit www.focusmusic.org or 703-501-6061.

Farewell Tour: Dr. Ralph Stanley. 7:30 p.m. at the Birchmere, 3701 Mt Vernon Ave. Cost is \$35. Call 703-549-7500.

MONDAY/OCT. 21

Little One-Ders. 10:30 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.

Baby Rhyme Time. 11:30 a.m. at Beatley Central Library, 5005 Duke St. Children up to 11 months with adult. Free. 703-746-1702.

Read, Sing & Play Baby. 4 p.m. at Barrett Branch Library, 717 Queen St. Children up to 11 months can enjoy stories and more. Free. 703-746-1703.

Let's Talk Books. 7 p.m. at Barrett Branch Library, 717 Queen St. Discuss "Brain on Fire: My Month of





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ENTERTAINMENT

Madness" by Susannah Cahalan, Free, 703-746

Music Performance. Jonah Tolchin will open for Rickie Lee Jones at 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Visit www.birchmere.com or 703-549-7500 for

TUESDAY/OCT. 22

Mother Goose Time. 10:15 a.m. at Barrett Branch Library, 717 Queen St. Children ages 12-23 months can enjoy games, rhymes and more. Free, 703-746-1703.

Time For 2s. 10:30 a.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Children age 24-36 months can enjoy stories and more. Free. Registration required, 703-746-1702 ext. 5.

Stories and Songs. 11 a.m. at Duncan Library, 2501 Commonwealth Ave. Children ages 1-4 can enjoy stories and more. Sign up half-hour before. Free. 703-746-1705.

Tuesday Tots. 11 a.m. at Burke Branch Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Children ages 2-3 can enjoy stories and more. Free. 703-746-1704.

Stories to Grow On. 11 a.m. at Barrett Branch Library, 717 Queen St. Children age 2 and up can enjoy stories and more. Free. 703-746-1703.

Baby Rhyme Time. 11:30 a.m. at Beatley Central Library, 5005 Duke St. Children up to 11 months with adult. Free. 703-746-1702.

Craft Night Social. 5-9 p.m. at Del Ray Artisans. Bring unfinished projects that are in progress and be social with other creative individuals, \$8 DRA members / \$10 non-members. Register: www.TheDelRayArtisans.org/craft

Paws to Read. 5:30 p.m. at Duncan Library, 2501 Commonwealth Ave. Children in grades 1-6 can read to friendly dogs. Registration required,

Science Night. 7 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Children ages 8-12 can explore science with hands-on activities. Free. 703-746-1702.

WEDNESDAY/OCT. 23

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Explore the Natural World. 3:30 p.m. at Duncan Library, 2501 Commonwealth Ave. A naturalist from the Buddie Ford Nature Center will talk about the rain forest. Frequently she is accompanied by live animals. For children in grades K-5. Free. 703-746-1705.

Friends of Burke Library Book Sale Preview Night. 5 p.m. at Burke Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Memberships available at the door. Browse books, CDs and more. Free. 703-746-

Artful Cocktail Competition. 6-9 p.m. at The Art League, 105 N. Union St. \$35/person. The Art League has challenged five local mixologists to each select a juried piece of artwork from the October "Body Language" exhibit as inspiration for a new cocktail and then compete at Art on the Rocks. Sample the coktails, enjoy appetizers and enjoy exhibits and live music. Must be 21 years of age or older with ID. Proceeds benefit The Art League's outreach programming. Visit www.theartleague.org for more.

Book Discussion. 7 p.m. at Duncan Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Discuss "The Great Gatsby" by F. Scott Fitzgerald. Free. 703-746-1705.

Author Signing. 7 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Oscar P. Fitzgerald, Ph.D, a faculty member at Smithsonian Institution, will discuss his book "New Masters of the Wooden Box: Expanding the Boundaries of Box Making." Free. Visit www.alexandria.lib.va.us or 703-746-1702.

SOLA Uncorked. 7-9 p.m. Symphony Orchestra League of Alexandria presents an evening of wine, cheese and chocolate pairings. There will also be a silent auction. \$50/person. RSVP to Susan Yonts-Shepard at seysrls@comcast.net. Lecture. 7 p.m. at Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134

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Knit Nite. 7 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Students in grade 4-12 can learn to knit and complete projects under the guidance of experienced knitters. Free. 703-746-1745

Concert. 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere, 3701 Mount Vernon Avenue. Performance by Madeleine Peyroux. Visit www.birchmere.com or www.madeleinepeyroux.com.

Halloween Concert. 7:30-8:30 p.m. at Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall and Arts Center, 3001 N. Beauregard St. The Alexandria NOVA Band will perform "Spooktacular Sounds in the Haunted Hall: A Halloween Concert." Attendees can come in costume and receive special prizes. Everyone who attends will receive a goodie bag. Free. Visit www.nvcc.edu/schlesingercenter/ for more.

FRIDAY/OCT. 25

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Alexandria. 7 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Hear stories of Alexandria's haunted past. A dessert reception and short ghost walk will follow. \$10/person. Visit www.nvfaa.org or 703-548-0035.

Music Performance. 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Noam Pikelny will perform. Visit www.birchmere.com or call 703-549-7500.



Pumpkin Time

Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill's 20th annual pumpkin sale runs Oct. 6-31, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. daily. This non-profit fundraiser benefits many of Alexandria's charities, such as ALIVE, Carpenter's Shelter, Community Lodgings, and the Northern Virginia AIDS Ministry. International charities include the Heifer Project and the Haiti Micah Project. Autumn crafts and cookies, brownies, cake, candy, hearty soups, gourds, mini pumpkins, apple crisps, Indian corn and cornstalks are also available. Immanuel Church-onthe-Hill is located at 3606 Seminary Road, (corner of Seminary Road and Quaker Lane).

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a.m.-4 p.m. at All Saints Episcopal
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Le Tour D'Alexandria Library. 10 a.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Enjoy a leisurely 12-mile loop that visits all of Alexandria's libraries. Registration required. 703-746-1702.

Bark or Treat Halloween Canine

Cruise. 10 a.m. or 11 a.m. at Alexandria City Marina, 0 Cameron St. Cruise around the Potomac River with your costumed canine companion. \$15/adult; \$9/child; dogs are free. Visit www.potomacriverboatco.com or 703-684-0580.

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Trick or Treat with the Boo-tiques.

11 a.m.-6 p.m. around Old Town Boutique District. All ages welcome. Visit www.oldtownboutique district.com for more.

Old Town Haunted Halloween Scavenger Hunt. 1-7 p.m. around Old Town. Solve mysteries and perform challenges. Proceeds benefit King Street Cats. \$10/person. Ends at a local bar. Must be 21 and older. Register at https:// tickets.ontaponline.com/Haunted-Halloween-Scavenger-Hunt&Tickets.

Ghoulish Graveyard at The Sugar Cube. 1:30-3 p.m. at 1218 King St. Children age 6 and up can create chocolate pudding "dirt" and chocolate skulls. \$35/child. Visit www.sugarcubesweets.com or 703-548-2868 to register.

Halloween Story Time Tea. 2-4 p.m. at The Grill at Morrison House, 116 S. Alfred St. Children can come dressed in a costume and enjoy an activity. Children can enjoy a pot of hot chocolate, sandwiches and more. There is an adult menu available, which includes scones, tea, smoked salmon and more. Reservations are required. \$38 for adults and \$28 for children. To book, guests can call 703-838-8000 or e-mail storytime@morrisonhouse.com.

Costume Party and Art Reception. 6-9 p.m. at Studio 4 Old Town, 218 N. Lee St. Artful prizes will be awarded for best costume. Free. Visit www.studio4oldtown.com for more.

Carlyle Funeral Re-Enactment and Historic Haunts Tour. 6:15-9:30 p.m. at Carlyle House Historic Park, 121 N. Fairfax St. Admission includes a ghost tour of Old Town, during which participants will visit the candlelit Carlyle House to view the coffin and pay respects to surviving family members of John Carlyle. \$15/person for the full event; \$5/ visit Carlyle House Museum for the Death and Mourning program; \$10/ visit museum and attend the funeral re-enactment. Reservations recommended. For ghost tour reservations call 703-683-3451. For all other reservations visit www.carlylehouse.org

www.carlylehouse.org. **Cabaret Macabre.** Sideshow starts at 5:30 p.m., dinner concert starts at 6:30 p.m. and the cabaret starts at 7:30 p.m. Suitable for adults over 18. At The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Visit www.birchmere.com for tickets.

Concert. 7:30 p.m. at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 8009 Fort Hunt Road. Michael Sheridan will perform. \$20/adult; \$15/senior; \$10/student or teacher. 703-765-4342.

Fair Trade Choc-toberfest.

Customers can visit Ten Thousand Villages, 915 King St., and try samples of food that has at least one ingredient of fair trade chocolate, and then judge the winners. Recipes of the dishes will be printed on cards that customers can take home. Visit www.alexandria.tenthousandvillages.com or 703-684-1435.

PEOPLE

Visionaries In Our Midst'

Vice mayor's book-signing attracts a crowd.

lexandria Vice Mayor Allison Silberberg drew a crowd to the Barnes and Noble bookstore in Potomac Yard Oct. 6 for a reading and book signing of her book "Visionaries In Our Midst: Ordinary People Who Are Changing Our World," a compilation of profiles of individuals who are making a difference in our country.

"This is a wonderful book," said former Mayor and state Sen. Patsy Ticer, who introduced Silberberg to the crowd. "Allison did a remarkable job of researching the situations these people found themselves in and really brought them to life. It inspired me and will inspire vou."

"Visionaries In Our Midst" focuses on public unsung heroes who are committed to social change. When it was first released,



Vice Mayor Allison Silberberg, center, poses for a photo with Deborah Johnson of Dominion Power and former mayor and state Sen. Patsy Ticer at a reading and signing of her book "Visionaries In Our Midst: Ordinary People Who Are Changing Our World" Oct. 6 at Barnes and Noble in Potomac Yard.

the book was #1 on Amazon's list of Hot

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for over two weeks and remained in the top

10 of that list for five months. ForeWord

Magazine Reviews named Visionaries In

Our Midst a finalist for its Book of the Year

Award for 2009.

Living Legends founder Nina Tisara, left, and Patsy Ticer at the book signing event. "I still have the stack of rejections that

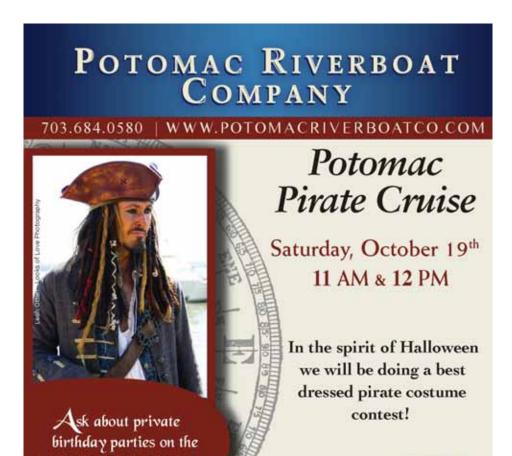
came before this book was published," Silberberg told the crowd. "But I was passionate about getting the word out about these inspiring individuals and never gave

Silberberg read passages from the profiles

in her book and stressed the timeless themes of gratitude and making a difference, no matter who you are.

"To me, this book is about gratitude," Silberberg said. "It's about appreciating what we have."

– Jeanne Theismann





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Business



Bryan "Bugsy" Watson and longtime friend Mike Guiffre.

"Over the years I've had so much fun,"

said Watson, who opened Bugsy's Pizza

Restaurant and Sports Bar on King Street

in 1983. "I had way too much fun playing

hockey. And then with Bugsy's, I've been

blessed to have two careers that were just

too much fun.'



Lindy and Bryan "Bugsy" Watson with longtime employee Bartolome Paz, the new owner of Bugsy's Pizza Restaurant and Sports Bar in Old Town. The trio celebrated the new ownership at an Oct. 9 farewell party for the Watsons, who opened the restaurant in 1983.

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Lindy and Bryan "Bugsy" Watson bid farewell to family and friends at Bugsy's Sports Bar Oct. 9.

A Fond Farewell NHL great Watson opened Old Town sports bar in 1983.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN
GAZETTE PACKET

More than 200 loyal customers stopped by to bid Bryan and Lindy Watson farewell, including longtime friend Mike Guiffre of

or the second time in his life, Bryan Guiffre Distributing. "Bugsy" Watson is hanging up his "I first met Bryan and Lindy when I was still a driver making beer deliveries," said skates. The National Hockey League defenseman first retired in Guiffre, who now serves as president of the 1979 following a 17-year career that fourth generation local beer and beverage brought the Canadian native to Alexandria distributing company. "I wish all our cusas a player for the Washington Capitals. His tomers were like them. I have many great second retirement came Oct. 9 when memories of pizza eating contests with Russ Watson and his wife Lindy officially turned Grimm and Joe Jacoby. But we're all movover the reins of their Old Town restaurant ing on to new chapters in our lives and and sports bar to longtime employee Bryan and Lindy are going to be sorely Bartolome Paz. missed."

The decision to exit the restaurant business came earlier this summer when Paz, a 27-year employee at Bugsy's, approached the Watsons with his desire to do something on his own.

"After 30 years, this was a good time to get out," Lindy Watson said. "Being in busi-

ness with your spouse wouldn't work for all marriages but for Bryan and me, it has been the greatest thing we have ever done. But now it's time to relax, do more charity work and have some fun."

With Bugsy's in good hands, the Watsons plan to split their time between homes in St. Michaels, Md. and New Orleans, where son Steven owns a bar and restaurant in the French Quarter.

"We're very proud of who we sold to," Bryan Watson said. "And we're not going away. Someone else is just paying the bills."

> Joe Guiffre and Danita Sharp enjoy the farewell celebration for Bryan and Lindy Watson at Bugsy's Sports Bar.





Salon 46 co-owner Tricia Wagner, Carlis Sanchez (SpicyCandy DC), Alison Gary (Wardrobe Oxygen), Maria Jose Orvalle (Very Busy Mama), Ashlyn Williams (Let It Be Beautiful) and Salon 46 co-owner Cindy Wagner gather at the salon's first anniversary party.

Salon 46 Celebrates Its First Anniversary

alon 46 owners Cindy and Tricia Wagner hosted a group of customers, partners, business neighbors and bloggers for a VIP reception to mark the salon's one year anniversary on Thursday, Oct.10.

To further the celebration and to display the work of the stylists, Salon 46 partnered with local "blogger models." Four local style bloggers were chosen to receive a "Salon 46 Fall Look Remix," and showed off their new looks during the party.

The featured bloggers included Alison Gary of Wardrobe Oxygen and Maria Jose Ovalle of Very Busy Mama, Carlis Sanchez of Spicy

alon 46 owners Cindy and Candy DC, and Ashlyn Williams Tricia Wagner hosted a of Let It Be Beautiful.

During the party, guests enjoyed sweet treats from Somerset Cakes, and sipped on red and white sangria cocktails named the "Red Head" and "Beach Blonde," all styled by Petite Social.

The celebration culminated with two giveaways: packages with gifts from partners including Bumble and Bumble, 529 Kids Consign, Petite Social, and Bitar Cosmetic Surgery Institute. Salon 46 is located at 512 N Henry St, Old Town Alexandria; visit online at salon46.com.

Extraordinary

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WHEN ASKED about criticism of the campaign, ACVA leaders said they received positive feedback when they unveiled the campaign at the Old Town Theater last month. Tickets to the brand launch cost \$35 for those who were not association members and \$25 for members. Association leaders say those in attendance loved the video and the campaign.

"If you were at our event, which was sold out, when people first saw the video there was an over-whelmingly positive response to the video," said Washington, "and what it evoked in terms of the feeling that people get by being here and the very special sense of place."

The \$1.6 million "extraordinary" campaign is built on the theory that every \$1 in advertising yields \$4 in revenue for the city. That means that association leaders are expecting the additional \$200,000 that was appropriated for the campaign earlier this year will create about \$500,000 in revenue, although association leaders acknowledge it's difficult to pin down exactly how much spending is a direct result of the advertising campaign. As for the theme, that may continue to be a matter of extraordinary debate.

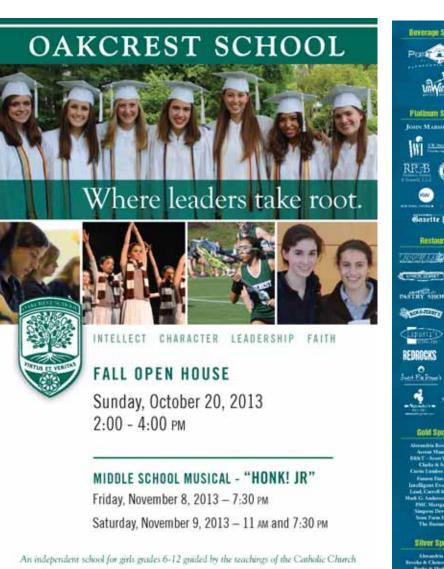
"Obviously there's been a big push for us to be the tourist side of the Potomac, meaning come in and shop and dine and leave as quickly as you can," said Hertel. "I don't think that's in character with what we are."

City Receives Go Green Award

The City of Alexandria was recognized by the Virginia Municipal League with platinum-level certification for being a green and sustainable government on Tuesday, Oct. 15.

The Go Green Government Challenge encourages local governments to implement specific environmental policies and practical actions.

The city was given maximum innovation points for its efforts in permanently closing the local coalfired power plant, achieving the highest-ever solid waste recycling rate of 48.4 per cent, establishing a Capital Bikeshare program in Alexandria and installing eight stations in Old Town, purchasing new hybrid DASH buses and trolleys, installing a 42-kilowatt solar photovoltaic system at Beatley Central Library, and retrofitting traffic lights with LED technology.





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As Development Plan Is Implemented, a Mix of Reactions

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tel," said Austin Flajser, president of Carr Hospitality. "One of the things we are doing is providing a significant amount of open space."

Flajser points out that the current 1950sera warehouse fills the entire space and provides no open space at all. His plan for a hotel on the Cummings property allows for 10 percent to 15 percent open space, an area that will be mirrored by Turner property when its owner decides to move forward with redevelopment. By extending the open alleyway from South Union Street to the Strand, Flajser said, the height of the building along Duke Street was increased although still within the 50-foot height limit.

"What's been difficult is that there is little consensus to be found in terms of what people want, how they would like it to look and what they would like us to do about it," said Flajser. "So we are trying to be as flexible as we can and address as many of the concerns as we hear."

CONCERNS ABOUT the Carr proposal run wide and deep. Chief among them is the size and scale of the building. Last month, members of the Old Town Board of Architectural Review criticized the project as too large. This month, Carr took its plans directly to neighbors in Old Town. But after a presentation about the proposal at the Lyceum last week, many members of the Old Town Civic Association said they were not impressed.



Landscape architect Laurie Olin speaks to waterfront work group member Bob Wood.

Photo by

Michael Lee Pope

Gazette Packet

"You can put all the lipstick on a pig you want but it's still a pig," said Don Santarelli, who has lived in Old Town for 40 years. "If this is permitted to be of that size, then the whole waterfront will look like giant boxes."

Some opponents of the plan believe that Carr might be able to bypass concerns of the Old Town Board of Architectural Review by taking their case directly to City Council. If the board rejects the proposal, Carr could appeal the decision and take their case to council members. Considering most of the council members strongly support the waterfront plan, the developer's proposal to inaugurate redevelopment along the

waterfront might be able to move forward despite opposition from the Board of Architectural Review.

"We need to thank these developers for wanting to be part of this city," said Realtor Cindy Golubin.

ON THE OTHER side of Old Town this week, city leaders and architectural students gathered to hear a presentation from landscape architect Olin. His designs include everything from Bryant Park and Columbus Circle in Manhattan to the J. Paul Getty Center in Los Angeles. On Tuesday, he arrived in Alexandria and toured the

waterfront with Planning Director Faroll Hamer to start thinking about the public spaces along the waterfront that are part of the controversial small-area plan.

"Your waterfront is almost alright," said Olin, when asked about his reaction. "It's got some great bones. But it needs some work."

Olin describes his design philosophy as timeless but modern, employing the tools of critical regionalism to convey a sense of place without devolving into what he calls "kitsch" or "cornball." In a wide-ranging discussion of his previous projects, Olin laid out a vision for the waterfront that is built for residents rather than tourists. When asked about potential parking problems associated with the design Olin was blunt.

"I can't think of a lot of wonderful places where I really want to go where it's really easy to park," said Olin. "Walking is good for you."

The waterfront plan calls for a series of new and revitalized public spaces up and down the waterfront, creating an unbroken chain of public access. That's where Olin comes in, crafting a design for generations to come. The event at the United Way was designed to be the first step of gathering advice and consent, so the landscape architect did not present any specific goals. Instead he laid out a vision for how he hopes to approach the waterfront in the coming years as the plan for landscape architecture moves forward.

"You are going to be the deciders," Olin told the group.



Alexandria Renew Enterprises Holds Open House

Dozens of visitors took advantage of Alexandria Renew Enterprises' open house on Saturday, Oct. 12 to see how dirty water is not only cleaned, but can be turned into renewable, safe and sustainable resources, such as reclaimed water and affordable alternatives to natural gas and chemical fertilizers. Alexandria Renew is the former Alexandria Sanitation Authority. Visitors took tours of the award-winning advanced wastewater treatment plant and also got a glimpse into the future by visiting the construction site of the 18-million gallon Nutrient Management Facility, part of Alexandria Renew's State-of-the-Art Nitrogen Upgrade Program designed to meet more stringent federal and commonwealth environmental standards.

Family, Friends Mourn Former City Councilwoman's Death

From Page 1 heart of the City."

Born Lois Larsen on Dec. 30, 1939 in Ogden, Utah, Walker and her four siblings moved often because of their father's work that included two stints in Okinawa, Japan.

"We lived all over the world," said Carol Bringham, Walker's older sister. "Lois was always a very happy person but she really found her passion when she came to Alexandria."

The last family move would be to Arlington, where Walker graduated from Washington and Lee High School before attending Valparaiso College and George Washington University. She married real estate investor John Walker in January of 1964 and settled in Alexandria in 1968 to raise a

"Lois loved Alexandria," Bringham said. "This city was very important to her and it was important for her to give back to the community."

Walker worked on several political campaigns, including Marian Van Landingham's first election to the Virginia House of Delegates, before embarking on her own political career.

"Lois always thought she could be of service to Alexandria," Bringham said. "But it took a number of years before she decided she could give more to the community by



Lois Walker, left, was an organizer of the popular women's Sherry Party. She is shown at a previous party with Sherry Brown.

running for public office herself."

Walker served from 1994 to 2000 on City Council, representing Alexandria on numerous regional transportation bodies, including the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Board of Directors, the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission, the Northern Virginia Transportation Coordinating Council and the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments' Transportation Planning Board.

"During her two terms on City Council,

said. "She advocated for an effective multi- $\stackrel{\smile}{\mathbb{R}}$ modal transportation system and for regional and state coordination. She served on and chaired several key regional and state transportation and urban planning commissions. But she also took great pride

in her family, and was a loving and supportive mother to Donna and Boyd, and a proud grandmother to Boyd's daughter Alo and Donna's sons Tobin and Tyler."

Widowed in 2000. Walker took over as president of Walker Real Estate and was an active member of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. She

was a recipient of the Marian Van Landingham Legislation and Public Policy Award from the Alexandria Commission on Women, served as chair of the Alexandria United Way campaign and was a founding president of the Friends of the Torpedo Factory Art Center. In addition to Bringham, Walker is survived by her son Boyd, of Alexandria, and daughter Donna Walker James (Tobin) of Falls Church. Other survi-

Lois was the transportation expert," Lawson vors include brothers Joel Larsen (Judy) of Vermont, and Gary Larsen (Sharon) of Connecticut. She was predeceased by a sister, Nancy Larsen Turner, also of Alexandria. Grandchildren include Alo Walker, 16, and Tobin Jr., 17, and Tyler, 14, James.

"I have been stopped on the street by com-

plete strangers to express their sympathy," Bringham said. "Lois knew everybody, from people that needed help to those that were important in the city. She really was a very special person. It's unbelievable that she is gone."

Cards and flowers may be sent in care of Carol Bringham,

1115 Cameron St., #104, Alexandria, Va. 22314. A memorial service is planned for Oct. 26 at the Torpedo Factory Art Center from 6 to 8 p.m.

"Lois touched a lot of lives and leaves a great legacy of commitment and dedication," said Vice Mayor Allison Silberberg. "But we didn't have time to say thank you. We didn't have time to say goodbye. Hopefully she knew how much she meant to us."

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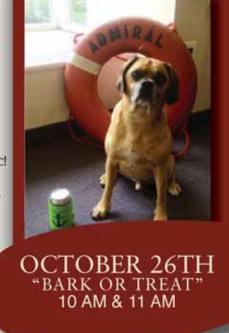
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Choosing a Private School Local educators offer advice on selecting the right independent school for your child.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL GAZETTE PACKET

arta Soltes was sitting in an Arlington coffee shop recently pouring through catalogs and application packets from some of the area's most elite independent schools. Her stack of brochures was almost as high as her extra-large latte.

"There are so many options," said Soltes, who is a mother of twins. "And the application fees are outrageously expensive. I can't apply to all of them."

As the independent school application process gets underway, many parents are struggling to find the best fit for their child. Author and education consultant Ann Dolin, president of Educational Connections Inc., in Fairfax, and Bethesda, Md., says when choosing a school, key factors to consider include the school's location, single-sex versus co-ed, the level of academic rigor, methods of instruction, athletics and a child's chance of acceptance. Dolin recommends school visits, tours and open houses as a way to start narrowing down your choices.

"You'll want to consider certain factors," said Dolan. "Is the school close by or logistically feasible? Are you looking for all-out rigor and accelerated academics or would your child benefit more from a balanced, less intensive approach? Are sports important to your child? If so, this factor may make a school more or less attractive. Is the school known to be highly competitive, meaning that only a small percentage of students gain acceptance each year? Is the school looking for very high test scores and top grades? These are the schools that might be hard to get into. Be sure your list contains some of these 'reach' schools, but also others that may provide a better chance of acceptance."

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agree that attending open houses and scheduling school visits are effective ways to start the application process. "An admission open house is a great venue to get an overview of a school's environment, sense of community, and the approach to teaching and learning," said Julie Jameson, director of admission at St. Andrew's Episco-



Teacher Wassila Taylor reads with **Lower School** students at The Potomac School in McLean. **School visits** give families a chance to see classes in action and observe the level of student engagement.

pal School in Potomac, Md. "Opportunities to get to know the school are offered through tours, speaking with current students and parents, meeting faculty and administrators, and learning more about curriculum, activities and student life."

Charlotte Nelsen, director of admission and financial aid for The Potomac School in McLean, suggests visiting a school during the day when classes are in session. "Visiting campus gives families a chance to see classes in action, sense the level of student engagement and picture their child at the school," she said.

"Observing classes and teacher-student interactions will give families a feel for the culture of the school," said Mimi Mulligan, assistant head and director of admission and enrollment at Norwood School in Bethesda. "How is the learning environment set up? How do teacher and students interact? Are students working independently or collaboratively? Are they happy and engaged? Do the walls and the sounds in the hallway sing to you?"

Julie Lewis, director of admissions and financial aid at Alexandria Country Day School in Alexandria, said, "Being in the hallways and seeing how students and teachers interact with one another gives a prospective family a feel for the school and its culture that cannot be found on a website."

Richard S. Moss, director of admissions at The Height School in Potomac, Md., says that an open house offers families an opportunity to look into the "heart and soul of a school" and to get a sense of a school's true environment. "On a superficial level, a good school ought to present an organized and welcoming open house, but a discerning parent and student will look beyond the external trappings to discern what values and principles an institution holds dear and how it implements those principles," said Moss. "If the principles line up with those of family, and the school does a good job of implementing them, it could be a good fit."

Open houses, said Mulligan, offer a different experience than a school tour. "[They] are wonderful opportunities to really delve into curricular discussions with faculty," she said. "Because open houses typically happen during non-school hours, teachers and administrators are available for conversation. Current students and parents are also usually in attendance, so if hearing about the school experience from that perspective is important to you, then an open house would be a worthwhile activity." Mulligan said she believes it's important to experience a school in more than one setting. It "allows for a deeper understanding of how a school's mission comes

Ann Richardson Miller, director of admission and financial aid for The Madeira School, in McLean, also suggests that prospective families visit frequently and spend time on campus outside of scheduled tours and open houses. "Come often," she said. "We all have sporting events, announced on our website. You should stop by a game sometime. School plays and concerts are my favorite way to learn about a school. These events often have large numbers of parents and students from the school, and it is a wonderful way to see the culture of the school in one place."

DURING THE VISIT or open house, parents and prospective students should consider the school's environment and ask themselves several questions, said Katherine Carbo, director of Lower School admission at St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School in Alexandria: "How comfortable do I feel in this environment? Do the faculty appear passionate and enthusiastic about teaching? Are the students focused and engaged? What is the overall philosophy of the school? Is the approach traditional or pro-

Classroom size and structure are other factors to note. "Keep your eyes peeled for the number of children in the classroom, and try to get a feel for their daily schedule," she said. "Could you imagine your child working and playing with the students and teachers you see? Visiting a school provides parents with one snapshot of the community. Learning more about that community takes time." Carbo also suggests visiting several schools. "Most of the information you collect through reading and conversations will be reliable," she said. "But the right match for your child may be vastly different than your neighbor's child or coworker's child. This is why touring different schools is important."

Start now by calling or emailing a school's admission office to request a tour, said Carbo. "When should you get started?" she asks. "That really depends on what program you are seeking out. Most admission seasons begin in October, and parents will tour in the fall or winter, a year before they hope their child will start school."

The most important guide, say experts, are a parent's instincts. "Each school has its own distinct feel," Carbo said. "It is up to you to visit and see what seems to be a good fit for your family.'

Dolin said, "Parents' intuition is a good guide, but you have to balance it with the needs of your child."

Local literature experts recommend their

Reading About Halloween Local literature experts recommend in favorite Halloween books for children.

By Marilyn Campbell GAZETTE PACKET

children's Halloween book section at a library near his Washington, D.C. office. He had his three children in tow and an armload of books with covers that included carved pumpkins, willowy ghosts and witches in black hats.

"We've got about 15 books," he said. "I think the limit of books you can check out Monstore" by Tara Lazar and "Zombie Base-

is 50 and we might reach it."

Children's literary experts say the month of October is a perfect time for children to ark Burch, who lives in Oak Hill, explore their imagination, address their recently browsed through the fears and have fun reading with their parents. In addition to traditional Halloween favorites, local booksellers say this season brings forth new offerings in children's Halloween literature

Jill Beres of One More Page Books in Arlington says Caldecott honor book "Creepy Carrots" by Aaron Reynolds, "The ball Beatdown" by Paolo Bacigalupi are among her favorite Halloween books.

"As a parent, I am drawn to books with nice illustrations and themes," said Beres. "And anything that has a nice message for kids."

Ellen Klein, co-owner of Hurray for Books!, in Old Town Alexandria, said that children between the ages of 3 and 6 might enjoy "Click Clack Boo: A Tricky Treat" by Doreen Cronin and Betsy Lewin, the same authors of the popular children's book "Click Clack Moo: Cows that Type."

Klein said children under the age of 3 would enjoy "Maisy's Trick-or-Treat" by Lucy Cousins, a sticker book as well as a storybook that introduces Halloween to young children. "It has a Halloween theme and is more of a story that is fun and funny, but not scary," she said. "It has an activity and introduces young children to what the holiday is."

Children who are old enough to read or appreciate chapter books could enjoy "Desmond Pucket Makes Monster Magic" by Mark Tatulli. "It is a fun book," says Klein.



Find Spooky Inspiration Everywhere Local artists suggest Halloween crafts to make with your kids.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL GAZETTE PACKET

ocal artists say one of the best things about the month of October is the opportunity to find in spiration in nature and create spooky crafts that stretch from now through Halloween and beyond.

Samantha Marques-Mordkofsky, of the Arlington Art Center, suggests finding inspiration in nature, such as the abundance of falling leaves in vibrant colors like red, orange and yellow.

"We're collecting leaves and other natural materials. You can take paper plates [and] decorate them with leaves and feathers, which is a cheap and easy thing to make," she said.

Kathryn Horn Coneway, of Art at the Center in Mount Vernon, believes in getting out into nature while temperatures are still mild. "Fall is a great time for taking art outside," she said. "Let kids paint outside. If you use washable paint, it doesn't take a lot of parental supervision."

Marques-Mordkofsky is running a class now where students are learning about trees native to Virginia. "Students are doing leaf rubbing," she said. "Basically you



Anne Ross, a visual arts teacher at St. Stephen's and St. Agnes School in Alexandria, teaches elementary school students to make "spooky houses" using basic craft materi-

get a sheet of paper and crayon and put the paper over the leaf and rub it with a cravon and you get a relief image of the leaf. The students are learning about native trees in Virginia and compiling all of their projects into a book."

One of Coneway's favorite activities is

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— Kathryn Horn Coneway of Art at the

Center in Mount Vernon.

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painting pumpkins. "It's a great early fall activity for young children. Pumpkins have round surfaces that are fun to paint on," she said. "With washable paints, paint it now and the same pumpkin can be carved later in time for Halloween."

Anne Ross, a visual arts teacher at St. Stephen's and St. Agnes School in Alexandria, makes spooky houses, a project designed for elementary school students. "I use a paper lunch bag and very basic materials: construction paper or card stock, markers or crayons, glue or a glue stick,

scissors, a stapler and newspaper stuffing for 'the house."

Coneway implements a spooky optical illusion project that is ideal for Halloween. "Ever wondered how those portraits in scary movies seem to follow you with their eyes?" she asks. Coneway has developed simple in-

> structions for creating such portraits.

> "Have adult help you cut two oval holes in a paper plate," she said. "Cut off the handle of a white plastic spoon draw an eye with permanent marker in the spoon. Tape

the spoons to the back of the plate so the eyes show through the holes. Turn over to see the eyes peering through your plate. Decorate your plate with a unique character drawing. Notice how the eyes seem to follow you as you look at your portrait from different sides."

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PEOPLE

Starry, Starry Night Old Town Business and Professional Association hosts Supper Under the Stars.

By Jeanne Theismann Gazette Packet

he Old Town Business and Professional Association and King Street Gardens Park Foundation hosted the 11th annual Jazz Supper Under the Stars Sept. 27, where U.S. Sen. Mark Warner stopped by to visit with friends and enjoy the music of saxophonist Al Williams.

"It's great to be home in Alexandria," said Warner, who praised the business owners who made the park and event a reality. "It's a job well done for those who worked to create this little oasis in the middle of Alexandria."

Catering was provided by Hard Times Café with wine by Vermillion and Sangria by Bittersweet. Alexandria's own Al Williams provided the entertainment with organizer David Martin of Goldworks adding his own jazz clarinet interpretations of "Summertime" and "The Girl from Impanema."

As the shutdown of the U.S. government approached, Warner expressed his appreciation for his hometown neighbors. "There are times when my job can be a bit frustrating," Warner said. "Hopefully, this too shall pass, but tonight provides the opportunity to enjoy this urban respite during these challenging times."



Alexis Colton, 9, captures a selfie photo with U.S. Sen. Mark Warner and her grandfather David Colton at the Jazz Supper Under the Stars Sept. 27 at King Street Gardens.



Marlin Lord, Paula and Herb Berg and City Councilman Tim Lovain enjoy the gathering.



Del Ray Artisans member John Bordner is flanked by AWLA board chair Charlotte Hall and executive director Megan Webb, who added their artistic designs to Bordner's white dinner jacket.



David Martin of Goldworks took to the stage to show off his jazz clarinet skills, playing "Summertime" and "The Girl From Impanema."



Hard Times Café's Princess serves a helping of chili to Pam Barton of Goldworks.

People Notes

Rebuilding Together Alexandria Executive Director Katharine Dixon has been elected as chair of the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee for the City of Alexandria. The committee oversees the administration of the housing trust fund and makes recommendations to city council regarding affordable housing policy and goals.

Rebuilding Together Alexandria has named **Doug Kloth** as director of drograms. He will oversee project management and development of new services to serve more in-need residents.







5th Anniversary

Dr. Dora Adamopoulos and her staff welcomed friends and clients to celebrate the 5th Anniversary of Eye2Eye Optometry Center in Del Ray. From left are Mellanie So, Elizabeth Crull, Meagan Paul, Granville Price and Dr. Dora Adamopoulos.

PEOPLE NOTES

Email announcements to gazette@connection newspapers.com. Deadline is Thursday at noon. Photos welcome.

Licensed Professional Counselor **Dr. Carrie Barone** has joined Peak Neurofitness, LLC, as a neurotherapist. Peak Neurofitness is a neurofeedback center, providing brain fitness training and counseling at offices in Arlington and Burke. Barone comes to Peak Neurofitness from The Georgetown Family Center, where she has been a family therapist and clinical associate since 2007.

Barone received her Master's Degree in Rehabilitative Counseling from the University of South Carolina School of Medicine in 1999 and her Bachelor's Degree in Psychology from the University of Maryland in 1996.

In January 2013, Barone completed her PhD in Counselor Education at The George Washington University, where she studied family systems theory and did research on successful adaptation throughout a person's lifespan, especially successful late life adaptation.

She is interested in alternative treatment for mental conditions without labeling and without using heavy medication and inpatient services. Barone and her fiancé live in Alexandria.

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able units as part of newly constructed communities. In the best of circumstances this strategy will replace three existing affordable housing units with one affordable unit while redeveloping a community and significantly increasing its density. The end result creates a community that does not please those who wish Alexandria to retain its current character that of a small city devoted to its diversity.

The days of federal housing assistance are over. These days it seems the only thing Democrats and Republicans agree on in the Congress is that federal housing assistance can be cut. As a country, we've cut the fat out of the housing budget, cut the muscle out of the housing budget and are now cutting the marrow out of the bones of the housing budget.

Virginia, unlike many states, has never provided significant affordable housing funding. It's up to Alexandria to look out for Alexandrians, and it is not cheap to provide affordable housing funding.

Nevertheless, Arlington has found a way to do so. It targets adding 400 committed affordable units each year. In 2012, it actually added 293 committed affordable units.

Preserving existing affordable housing requires significant local funding. This means that Alexandria must provide at least one cent of its property taxes to fund a local program. Arlington provides the equivalent of six cents of its property taxes for affordable housing. Alexandria can do more.

Alexandria should provide locally funded rental subsidies administered by the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority to protect Alexandrians from being displaced from existing market affordable housing due to rent increases. Arlington has had such a program for more than a decade. It provided locally funded rental assistance to 1,087 households in FY 2012. The other central city in the region, Washington D.C. also has a locally funded rental assistance program.

Alexandria provides no such assistance. Alexandria can prevent tenant displacement in its diminishing supply of market affordable housing by creating this program. This would not be an entitlement. Each budget year, the amount of funds going to the program would be determined, with funds committed to families on a first come, first served basis. Alexandria could even target which neighborhood, even which apartment complex(es) it wants to serve.

Alexandria should extend Resolution 830 to include the roughly 2,000 units of privately owned federally subsidized apartments in the city. Resolution 830 commits Alexandria to replacing existing low rent public housing with housing that is affordable to people who occupy that housing if and when existing low rent public housing is redeveloped. It has been used numerous times, most recently with the redevelopment of the public housing that used to line N. Alfred Street and its replacement by Old Town Commons.

Eight hundred seventy-one of these 2,000 units of privately owned federally subsidized apartments in the city are under risk of loss between now and June 30, 2015. These are HUD mortgage insured proper-



Crisis Intervention Team Graduates

Sixteen public safety employees are the most recent graduates of the Crisis Intervention Team training academy. Members of the Alexandria Police Department, Alexandria Sheriff's Office, Alexandria Fire Department, Department of Emergency Communications, and Probation and Parole were recognized at a graduation ceremony on Friday, Sept. 20, at police headquarters. Police Chief Earl Cook, Chief Deputy Clarke Stearns and Liz Wixson, director of Clinical and Emergency Services for the Department of Community and Human Services, hosted the event and congratulated Police Officers Mark Aiesi, Amanda Deptula, Danny Webb and Jordan Young, and Roy Bliss, Tonia Copeland and Cathy Gary of the Police Department; Sheriff's Deputies Keith Crane and Marybeth Plaskus, and Dwayne Kennedy and Lenora Murphy of the Sheriff's Office; Ericka Flournoy of the Department of Emergency Communications; Zubin Byramjee and James Woody of Probation/Parole; and Jason Cage and Amy Stephens of the Alexandria Fire Department. The Crisis Intervention Team was developed to help improve staff interactions and outcomes with persons with mental illness and substance use disorders. Alexandria's program includes staff from all first responding agencies.

ties that were originally developed using Sections 221d3, 236 and 8 Rehabilitation. (There are another 550 of such units that are committed affordable units and thus have already been preserved.)

Alexandria needs to make a commitment to preserve these rental units. They've been part of the fabric of Alexandria for 40 years or more and serve households that couldn't find comparable housing elsewhere in the city.

Alexandria can do it. Some may say that Alexandria cannot afford to fund these initiatives. There are sewers to be replaced, schools to build. Alexandria used to be a city that was 75 per cent renter occupied. That city might not have been able to afford to do so. Alexandria was a city in 2000 that provided its homes to 8,000 more modest income households than it does now. That city might not have been able to afford to do so. In 2013 Alexandria can afford to fund these initiatives. It simply needs to choose to do so.

Herb Cooper-Levy Alexandria

So, No One's Property Is Safe?

To the Editor:

Isn't it coincidental that right after the Washington Post announced the sale of the Robinson Terminals, and Carr announced its plans to go ahead with a 120-room ho-

tel on the waterfront, the mayor announced that the council is scheduling a public hearing on Nov. 19 to determine whether the city will resort to the use of eminent domain on the Old Dominion Boat Club's (ODBC) parking lot. These three developments are some of the biggest benefactors in the game, as the taking of ODBC's property to develop a commercial plaza will no doubt benefit them economically. Bill Euille has for years said he would never invoke eminent domain on the Boat Club so what changed his mind? By the way, did the entire council approve having the hearing? If so, when? In executive session?

The Boat Club has over the years been an exemplary tenant in our city and has contributed to the welfare of our citizens in many ways. For over 30 years the Boat Club was involved in a lawsuit with the Federal Government over the ownership of its building and parking lot. After that long drawn out fight and a million dollars in legal fees, the Feds finally awarded the lot and building to ODBC free and clear. Now along comes the city and a new fight to retain ones property is at stake once again. Where is the fairness in all this?

Over the years, many citizens have criticized the ODBC's chain link fence and the fact that their parking lot should not be located on the water. Well, the fence was erected by the city during then Mayor Beatley's tenure and for years the club has attempted on a number of occasions to tear it down and replace it with a good looking fence. On each attempt the city told the club

that since they didn't own the land their application could not be approved. Since the Fed's awarding of the property the club can now beautify the lot, and they intend to do so. The fact that ODBC's parking lot is on the water is immaterial as every park owned by the National Park Service on the Potomac has a parking lot on the water.

A new eminent domain law was passed as a Virginia constitutional amendment by 75 per cent of the voters last year and makes it much harder to take ones property. One of the keys to this new law is if one can prove the loss of profits or loss of access then damages can be pursued by the aggrieved party. In this case, access could be limited for a number of ODBC members who cannot walk to the club, therefore their participation in club activities will be extremely limited and they may choose to terminate their membership in the club. This will in turn have an adverse effect on the club's fiscal affairs (loss of profits).

Additionally, the taking of one's property for aesthetic reasons is not good enough to pass the eminent domain smell test. The city has repeatedly pontificated that it had to have a walkway on the ODBC's parking lot shoreline so that citizens could enjoy seeing the river as they walked along shoreline. In addition, the taking of another piece of the ODBC parking lot, as an addition to the Fitzgerald Plaza, can also be interpreted as an aesthetic taking.

The bottom line in all this is that if the city can take the ODBC's property they will

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BULLETIN

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City Hall, 301 King St. The purpose of the meeting is to provide a discussion and public hearing to examine the City's options, including eminent domain, for 1) implementing the approved Waterfront Small Area Plan and 2) resolving a longstanding dispute with the Old Dominion Boat Club concerning the club's parking lot and adjacent areas. The disputed property is located in a key area of the Waterfront Plan.

SUNDAY/OCT. 20

Walk for Homeless Animals. 9 a.m. at Market Square, 301 King St. Enjoy a 1.5-mile walk through Old Town to help the Animal Welfare League of Alexandria prevent pet overpopulation and curb animal homelessness. Visit www.alexandriaanimals.org/walk to learn more and register.

Out & About Potluck Brunch. 12:30 p.m., Historic Christ Church, 118 N. Washington St. Free, 703-549-1450.

Speaker. 2 p.m. at Aroma, 4052 Campbell Ave, Arlington. Biblical Archaeology Society of NOVA presents Dr. Eric Kline, GW University director. \$27/member; \$30/nonmember. Includes Lunch. Visit www.basonova.org to register.

Hope for the Holidays Seminar. 4-7 p.m. at Jefferson Funeral Chapel. Designed to help people who have lost loved ones since last Christmas. Free, but registration by Oct. 11 is requested. E-mail info@jeffersonfuneralchapel.com or 703-971-7400 to register.

TUESDAY/OCT. 22

City Council Work Session. 5:30 p.m. City Hall, Council Work Room, 301 King St. Contact 703-746-4550.

City Council Meeting. 7 p.m. City Hall, Council Chamber, 301 King St. Contact 703-746-4500.

WEDNESDAY/OCT. 23

Foster Parent Orientation. 6-7:30 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Free information session for prospective foster parents. An agency representative will be on hand to answer any questions and explain the requirements to foster and/or adopt. To RSVP e-mail Christine.Levine@alexandriava.gov or 703-746-5858.

 $\textbf{Gang Prevention Community Task Force.} \ 6$ p.m. at City Hall, Council Work Room, 301 King St. Contact Mike Mackey, 703-746-4144.

Information Session. 3-5 p.m. at Global Health College, 25 S. Quaker Lane. Find out what it takes to become a CNA, PN or RN. Anyone with a GED or high school diploma can attend. Free. Register at fgold@global.edu or 703-212-7410.

THURSDAY/OCT. 24

Meeting. 7-9 p.m. at Mount Vernon Recreation Center, 2701 Commonwealth Ave. "Modern Streetcars: Not Your Grandfather's Streetcar." Free. E-mail streetcarinfo@gmail.com for more.

FRIDAY/OCT. 25

CPR Certification. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Global Health College, 25 S. Quaker Lane. Get certified or renew certification. \$75. Register at mmyers@global.edu or 703-212-7410 ext.

SATURDAY/OCT. 26

Walk to Fight Breast Cancer. 8 a.m. at Patent and Trademark Office, 600 Dulany St. \$30/ adult and \$15/child if register by Oct. 18. Onsite registration is \$40/adult. Walkers can choose from a 1.5K/3.5K/5K walk or run. The walk route is accessible to wheelchairs and strollers. All proceeds support the Alexandria Breast Cancer Walk Fund, Visit www.alexcancerwalk.com to register.

SUNDAY/OCT. 27

Speaker. 3 p.m. at Noetic Science of Alexandria, 400 Madison St., Drake Room, floor 23. Vedic astrologer Dr. Andrew Foss will be the guest speaker. Register at www.meetup.com/Noetic-Science-of-Alexandria-VA/.

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The Finance Department is open, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. A drop box located on the Royal Street side of City Hall is available 24 hours a day. (Payments must be in the drop box by midnight on November 15, 2013 to be considered on time.)

LETTERS

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Alexandria

Undergrounding Power Lines

To the Editor:

We all have our favorite television, computer, smart phone or tablet, but they all have one thing in common: they need to be recharged regularly and that is not possible without reliable electric service. Without reliable electric service, we lose access to our favorite handheld devices, and more importantly we lose heating and cooling, refrigeration, and many of the other necessities and comforts of modern life.

For most of us, this is an inconvenience and an irritation but nothing more serious. For small businesses, loss of electric service can mean loss of their income. For vulnerable seniors and disabled people, loss of power can mean loss of the medical technology they rely to maintain their health and well-being.

Given the number of widespread outages in our communities in recent years and some areas that experience much too regular outages, I've been thinking a lot about how we can improve the reliability of our electric system. Here in Alexandria, Arlington and along the Potomac in Fairfax, we are blessed with an impressive urban tree canopy. It is a natural resource that we rightly treasure, except during a major storm when tree limbs and power lines meet and power outages result. For decades, we've accepted this as a normal part of life, and periodic discussions of undergrounding have been, if you pardon the pun, shortcircuited by cost estimates of tens of billions of dollars to place the entire electric distribution system underground.

There is a more strategic way to think about undergrounding. It does not have to be an all or nothing proposition. As in much of public policy, a targeted amount of undergrounding work could go a long way, in this case towards improving the reliability of our electric system, the vibrancy of our small businesses, and the health of our citizens. There are areas that have much more dramatic problems with outages and those

areas impact the reliability of our entire electric system.

As many readers will recall from past widespread outages, typically individual neighborhoods (and sometimes small clusters of homes within these neighborhoods) are the last to have power restored during a widespread outage. These neighborhoods (and the small businesses in and around them) are served by the smallest power lines, called tap lines. Placing more of these tap lines underground would help reduce the duration of power outages at a small fraction of the costs that have been estimated in the past for putting the entire electric system underground.

There are a lot of details that I would like to see filled in. I've started a conversation with Dominion Virginia Power about how we do this.

We need to figure out how much it will cost to create a marked improvement in reliability, say reducing outage duration by at least 50 percent? How much would this add to a customer's monthly bill? How long would it take? Presumably installing underground line would require digging up yards, sidewalks, and even streets, so what would be the effect on traffic? How would neighborhoods be prioritized for moving their lines underground (assuming this was something the neighborhood wanted)?

I would love your input as we work on this. What are your priorities? Should we pursue more use of undergrounding certain distribution lines where it makes economic sense to do so? Would this be worth paying a little more for improved service reliability?

Please tell me what you think.

Rob Krupicka

State Delegate (D-43) He can be contacted at DelRKrupicka@house.virginia.gov or 571-357-4762.

Politically Spooky

To the Editor:

Halloween is later this month and lots of scary things are in the wind. As a grandmother I delight in seeing my grandchildren "think spooky." But, I don't like to "think spooky" when I think of Virginia's government. I don't like to think a man such as McAuliffe, basically a hustler for dubious causes and in my book not very savory characters, would be Virginia's next governor. That is a spooky thought. He makes lots of promises about creating jobs and then burdening us with environmental regulations. He talks about governing wisely but hasn't shown that he knows how Virginia's legislative process works. That is spooky. No fears like that with Ken Cuccinelli. He knows Virginia and how our government works. He's a worker for grandmothers like me.

Linda Greenberg Alexandria

Moderate Vs Extreme

To the Editor:

The Virginia of tomorrow demands a different vision than what we have seen coming out of the Richmond majority leadership the past four years. That future is predicated upon a change in leadership and being guided by a more progressive political compass.

A vote for Mark Herring Nov. 5 is an investment in a Virginia for all. Mark proposes to provide the caliber of representation that extends across the generation and gender gaps and beyond the partisan divide.

Mark Herring's opponent and colleague in the Virginia Senate, Mark Obenshain, campaigns in the shadow of Ken Cuccinelli and his legacy of an extreme social agenda.

In 2009, Senator Obenshain sponsored a bill that would require a woman to report her miscarriage to the police within 24 hours. This would be an absolutely unnecessary and incalculably cruel intrusion upon a woman and her family at a time of profound sorrow.

Mark Obenshain also worked with Ken Cuccinelli on the personhood bill. Together they cosponsored legislation which could have banned common forms of birth control. The state has no business inserting government mandates into the private lives of women, limiting their health-care options and dictating personal decisions.

Mark Herring has a proven record of placing the law and people above politics. He's a problem solver who can reach across the aisle to advocate for fairness and equality. He'll support our service members, veterans, and military families.

He promises to diligently pursue child sexual predators and combat human trafficking throughout Virginia

Every vote for Mark Herring is a vote for all Virginians. Mark Herring is for women. Virginia is for women. And this Virginia woman is for Mark Herring.

K.M. MacConomy Alexandria

Sports



T.C. Williams running back Malik Carney rushed for 220 yards and two touchdowns against South County on Oct. 12.



T.C. Williams linebacker Kevin Perry (52) closes in on South County running back LeVaughn Davis during their Oct. 12 game at T.C. Williams High School.

'Undisciplined' South County Holds on to Beat TC

Stallions improve to 5-1, Titans fall to 4-2.

By Jon Roetman

Gazette Packet

t the conclusion of Saturday's game at T.C. Williams High School, South County football coach Gerry Pannoni voiced displeasure with the Stallions' effort.

"We played undisciplined," he said, "We played sloppy, we didn't play smart."

But they played well enough to win.

In a matchup of 4-1 teams from Conference 7, South County overcame penalties, turnovers and big plays by the Titans to beat T.C. Williams, 44-37. Running back LeVaughn Davis' 22-yard touchdown run gave South County a two-score lead with less than five minutes remaining and the Stallions held off a late TC rally. Trailing by seven points, the Titans drove to the South County 31 with six seconds remaining, but quarterback Darius Holland's pass into the end zone fell incomplete. South County was flagged for numerous penalties, committed two turnovers and allowed three TC touchdown runs of at least 51 yards. Despite their struggles, the Stallions improved to 5-1 with kev contributors Robert Avery (RB/DB), Ed Kargbo (LB) and Campbell Buhrow (RB/LB) set to return within the next few weeks.

"I guess if there's a silver lining, it's we're winning without several of our very good kids and they're close to coming back," Pannoni said. "... We're finding a way to win, but that wasn't good enough. That was bad. That was a bad performance, I thought."

After a 15-yard South County penalty in the second quarter, Pannoni called timeout, walked onto the field and chewed out the Stallions offense in the huddle. On the following play, quarterback David Symmes connected with Kevin Quigley for a 32-yard touchdown, giving South County a 21-0 lead with 10:16 remaining in the first half. The Stallions led 28-16 at halftime and 36-23 early in the fourth quarter.

"That's not the style of play we want to represent," Symmes said. "We want to be able to dominate mentally and physically. I'd rather win by 21 than seven points and have it down to the last [six] seconds [with TC] chucking it up into the end zone."

Did Pannoni's on-field pep-talk help?

"He definitely has a great presence and we listen to him," Symmes said, "especially when he's screaming at us."

Symmes completed 6 of 12 passes for 73 yards with two touchdowns and an interception. He also carried nine times for 35 yards.

Davis carried 35 times for 147 yards and two touchdowns. James Simon rushed for 82 yards and a touchdown on 13 carries and sophomore fullback Thomas Wheeler scored on a 1-yard run.

South County is averaging 49.5 points per

T.C. Williams dropped to 4-2, but showed resiliency in defeat. Trailing 21-0 early in the second quarter, the Titans faced third-and-11 at their own 12-yard line, having gained just seven yards to that point. Running back Malik Carney took a handoff and gave the Titans a spark with an 88-yard touchdown run.

Trailing by 13 points early in the fourth quarter, Carney received another third-down carry and raced 85 yards into the end zone, cutting the South County lead to 36-30 with 10:05 remaining.

Carney, who is committed to UNC as a linebacker, finished with 15 carries for 220 yards and two touchdowns.

Davis' 22-yard touchdown run and a twopoint conversion by Gerald Hulett gave South County a 44-30 lead with less than five minutes remaining. TC responded with a three-play, 82-yard scoring drive to pull within seven. Holland, who struggled most of the afternoon, connected with Timmy Rattanaphone for a 43-yard gain on secondand-nine before finding a wide-open Alex Bledsoe for a 38-yard touchdown, cutting the South County lead to 44-37 with 3:35 left.

TC'S FINAL DRIVE started at its own 25-yard line with 50 seconds remaining after South County turned it over on downs. Holland moved the Titans down to the Stallions 31 and spiked the ball with six seconds left. His desperation pass on the final play fell incomplete.

"We made lots of mistakes on both sides of the ball which contributed to our loss," TC head coach Dennis Randolph said. "... But the thing that impressed me was we stuck in there. We could have very easily — when we were down five and then they scored again, went up 13 — we could have just stopped right there and said hey, it's over ... but the kids came back."

Holland, who missed last week's game against Annandale with an elbow contusion, completed 6 of 29 passes for 120 yards and a touchdown. The junior, in his first season as a varsity starter, went 1-for-14 in the first half and misfired on 19 of his first 21 at-

tempts.

"It's his first season as a varsity player and there's no substitute for experience," Randolph said. "Hopefully he gained some valuable experience tonight."

Holland made a play with his legs in the third quarter, when his 51-yard touchdown run cut the South County lead to 28-23.

"I made a move and got [in the] open," Holland said. "[I] saw the light and I was out."

Mahlique Booth rushed for 50 yards and a touchdown for the Titans. Rattanaphone had an interception.

South County will host West Potomac at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 18.

"We shot ourselves in the foot with penalties," Pannoni said. "Whether it was a holding, whether it was a personal foul, if you want to keep playing in December, that's the kind of stuff you can't do."

T.C. Williams will travel to face Lee.

"We had some execution problems, but overall, you can come out of this game saying we aren't willing to lay down," TC lineman and UNC commit Jeremiah Clarke said. "We fixed our problems from [the loss to] Centreville [and we're] ready to fight back at the end of games and come back — stuff that's going to help us later on in the playoffs."

The T.C. Williams football program is looking to end a 22-year playoff drought.

SCHOOL NOTES -

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James Madison University's nationally recognized marching band, the Marching Royal Dukes, begin their season with 485 members, the largest in their history. The following students are members of the 2013 Marching Royal Dukes: Lindsey Boggess, Colin Boyd, Joseph Figliola, Armin Haracic, Katharine

Hardy, Max Kosanovich, Peter Kosanovich, Marcia McCants, Zipporah Lee Norton, Kristine Sweezey, Chris Tadie, and Sarah-Marie Wood.

Adrianna Watson from was selected to perform in Randolph College's production of "Our Town" in October. Watson was cast as Emily Webb, one of the play's central characters. Watson is a member of the class of 2017 at Randolph College.





Sports



City Volleyball Champions

The T.C. Williams Lady Titans won the Alexandria City Volleyball Championship on Friday, Oct. 4, by defeating Bishop Ireton in the finals. Teams from St. Stephens/St. Agnes and Episcopal High School also participated in the two-day tournament. The winning TC team, from left, includes, front row, Alexus Foreman, Nicolette Thomas, Lauren Forrer, Emma Goldberg, and, back row, Head Coach Michael Burch, Audrey Dervarics, Amara Edwards Coulibaly, Olivia Devereux, McKayla Robinson, Areana Goodrum and Assistant Coach Melanie Bradshaw.

SSSAS Appoints Next Head of School

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faculty evaluation program, refocusing the school's boarding program, and coordinating student and faculty needs during a renovation of the Upper School's academic building. She also oversaw the 100-student Residence Department. Before joining Hockaday, Adams served as science department chair and science teacher at National Cathedral School in Washington, D.C., where she taught AP biology, chemistry, and environmental science, as well as fourth grade science. She is a former AP biology test grader and instructor of AP biology teachers. While

at NCS, she co-chaired the school's accreditation self-study and coached field hockey and lacrosse.

Adams has taught students in grades four through twelve and served as a Teaching Fellow at Yale University. She received her bachelor of arts degree cum laude in environmental and evolutionary biology from Dartmouth College, where she was a Presidential Scholar and was awarded Richter Research and Mellon Foundation grants. She received a master's degree in environmental studies from Yale University, where she was the recipient of the Alan Mann endowed scholarship.



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In Memoriam Carol Cleary

On October 6, 2013, we lost our dear friend and fellow associate Carol Cleary. Admired and respected throughout our community as a consummate real estate professional, Carol's friends knew her to be much more than an exceptional Realtor. She was thoughtful, supportive, always willing to give and share, and an inspiration. We are deeply saddened, but will always remember this wonderful and gracious person, friend, and cherished member of our McEnearney Associates family.

Our sympathy goes out to her husband Dave, her daughter Erin, son-in-law Paul, and grandchildren Robert, David and Margaret. Carol will be truly missed by all who know and love her.