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# ‘Manhattan on the Potomac’ Loses Its Central Park

**Dramatic size reduction planned for Rosslyn Highlands Park.**

By VERNON MILES  
THE CONNECTION

**D**espite an impassioned plea from local residents to save Rosslyn Highlands Park, a redevelopment plan for Western Rosslyn has moved forward. The new H-B Woodlawn building, a new fire station, an affordable housing section, and private development will fill the space of five parcels between Key Boulevard and Wilson Boulevard. However, these developments come at the cost of nearly 10,000 square feet of park space.

Rosslyn Highlands Park, currently the largest contiguous tract of open space in Rosslyn, will be reduced from 30,500 square feet to 21,800 square feet to allow neighboring Penzance Cos. to expand with a new mixed use developments.

These developments include a 17-story office building and a pair of 27 and 24-story residential buildings. The 24-story residential building will include a fire station on the property. Dozens of nearby residents and members of various commissions gathered at the June 13 County Board meeting to express their support for preserving the park.

Ultimately, however, the County Board voted to advertise public hearings to consider adoption of the development plan.

Steve Campbell, a member of Arlington’s Urban Forestry Commission, said that the neighbors compromised in accepting a greater building height in the area, but were disappointed that the county did not yield on maintaining open space in the area.

“There is too much development in this plan and not enough opportunity for tree growth,” said Campbell.

James Sharkey, a local 12-year-old, compared the lack of park space in Arlington to park land in neighboring Fairfax County.

“Arlington has one-fourth of the park space per capita compared to Fairfax,” said Sharkey. “If we dramatically shrink Rosslyn Highlands Park we take away even more park space from Arlington where parks are small and sparse already. Rosslyn Highlands Park is not just part of a number

**“There is too much development in this plan and not enough opportunity for tree growth.”**

— Steve Campbell, member, Arlington’s Urban Forestry Commission

on a graph. I believe parks are important because they’re a good place for people to have fun and bond together ... I grew up on this park. From hanging out on the playground to playing basketball and catch to sledding when I was little, to even doing multiple science

projects for school. I’ve used this park for multiple purposes. If you shrink this park, you take away all of that: not just from me, but from all the young children in the neighborhood who haven’t had these experiences yet.”

**LOCAL ADULTS** expressed similar frustrations. Michael McMenamin represented the nearby Highgate Owner’s Association in asking the County Board to prioritize park land over the installation of a new fire station.



**Current layout of 155 Wilson Boulevard and Rosslyn Highlands Park**

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**Proposed design of the expanded Penzance Cos. into Rosslyn Highlands Park.**

**“We understand you wish we did not make an arrangement with Penzance Cos., but we did. We have affirmed that in a work session in the past. We’re moving forward with that arrangement.”**

— Mary Hynes, County Board Chair

Paul Arquette, a local architect, argued that the existing park is highly used, and additional residents from the Penzance Cos. development would overcrowd the park even were it not being reduced in size.

“Rosslyn is often touted as a Manhattan on the Potomac, and while that’s a bit of a stretch, it is constructive to compare and contrast the two communities,” said Arquette. “Both communities have tall buildings and are on major rivers, served by multiple subway lines. But while Manhattan has a huge park at its center, there is no such park in Rosslyn.”

County Board Chair Mary Hynes recognized the citizen’s concerns before saying the County Board would likely be moving forward despite them.

“Clearly the most important issue to everyone this evening is the open space,” said Hynes. “The theme has been strong and constant. We understand you wish we did not make an arrangement with Penzance Cos., but we did. We have affirmed that in a work session in the past. We’re moving forward with that arrangement.”

After a brief discussion, the County Board voted unanimously to move forward with advertisement for public hearings on July 6 at the Planning Commission and July 16 for the County Board.

Many members of the public expressed disappointment with the decision.

“The new [Rosslyn Highlands Park] needs to be an incredible destination,” said Caroline Haynes, chair of the Parks and Recreation Commission, “especially given what the neighbors have given up.”





Dr. Raymond Pasi joins class officers James Mountain and Sean Coleman and valedictorian speaker Kirby Eule.



The Yorktown Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Maestro Thomas Hartman performed a pre-ceremony concert in Constitution Hall.

## A Farewell to Yorktown High School



Students relax on the floor before the call to line up for the procession.



Family and friends of the Yorktown Class of 2015 wait for the doors to open in Constitution Hall for the afternoon graduation on June 18.



Senior Class Secretary Sean Coleman



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# Graduating from Convention

## H-B Woodlawn hosts its annual unorthodox graduation.

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**D**uring graduation, while other schools would have a sea of caps and gowns in rows of seating, the class of 2015 from H-B Woodlawn lounged around on the floor or on sofas in an array of Hawaiian shirts. Even with less than 100 students graduating from H-B Woodlawn, the ceremony still went on for three hours. At H-B Woodlawn, or just H-B for most, students aren't just names in a long list, and they don't just grab a diploma and take a seat with hundreds of their peers. At the graduation ceremony on June 17, teachers spoke about each student. They shared memories of adventures and hardships they watched the students overcome. In addition to their diploma, each student received a set of gifts from the teacher: a set of drumsticks for one student, a pink Superman cape for another, each representing a part of that student's life at H-B.

Parents, students, and teachers describe the school, with a heavy note of understatement, as being a little different from other public schools in Arlington. Founded in 1978, H-B is an alternative all-county public school that serves grades 6 through 12. Students are selected through a lottery system, which keeps the student population around 600.

At graduation, parents of 11th graders prepare a potluck dinner for teachers and families of the graduates. Families gathered in the cafeteria before the graduation.

Ronnie Hovatz said her favorite memories with her grandson, Joseph "Joe" Sanz, were seeing him perform in concerts. Joe Sanz began at the school seven years ago and began learning how to play drums, so seeing him master his skill and play alongside his peers was, for Hovatz, a very fulfilling moment. Gerry Sanz, Joe's father, said that his son plans on attending the University of Maryland after graduating to study Aerospace Engineering.

"He's always been interested in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math), especially over the last few years,"



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**Frank Haltiwanger, principal of H-B Woodlawn, addresses the student body one last time.**

said Gerry Sanz. "He wants to design and build a space-elevator."

Joe Sanz also played ultimate Frisbee, one of H-B's most popular sports teams. Rachel Branman played alongside Sanz and said her times with the sport were some of her best memories at the school.

"I played soccer before ... but ultimate Frisbee is more about the team. It's a family," Branman said ultimate Frisbee provided an atmosphere that emphasized positive reinforcement rather than negative.

"As a parent, I'll always remember her on the ultimate Frisbee team," said Diane Gordon, Rachel Branman's mother. "I'll remember seeing her become Junior Varsity captain and watching her find herself."

After graduating, Branman plans on attending the University of Virginia, and while she's still making up her mind on what to study, she's currently leaning towards physics.

"It's bittersweet. I'll miss it," Branman said, "But I'm ready to move on."

Gordon said the school completely changed her children's lives. Her son also attended H-B after one year at Williamsburg Middle School. She described her son's experience at Williamsburg as miserable, but said he loved it at H-B. Branman credits the

school with her son applying and getting accepted to the University of Michigan.

The school's founder, Ray Anderson, said the school has hardly changed over the last 44 years. Anderson pointed to the cafeteria walls, covered in painted messages from past graduating years. Each year the graduating class is allowed to paint images or phrases on the walls. The class of 2015 left their mark on one of the second floor hallways.

"This school hasn't changed at all," said Anderson. "You just have to look at the walls, painted from the 1980s, and it's happening again today."

Anderson said the core concepts haven't changed, particularly the expectations of students to be responsible for themselves.

"Do teenagers always make perfect decisions, no," said Anderson, but quoted the school's motto as a response: "Verbum Sap Sat: a word to the wise is sufficient."

Aaron Margosis, a 1979 graduate of H-B Woodlawn and his wife, Elise Margosis, a 1983 graduate of H-B, were both in attendance to see their daughter Elana Margosis graduate. Unlike her parents, who attended for the full seven years, the lottery system kept Elana from attending until her final two years of high school. Still, Aaron

Margosis said she made the most of it.

"[Elana] represented her school at the Virginia General Assembly ... and has opportunities for all kinds of internships and got to meet important people," said Aaron Margosis.

Elise Margosis said she was most impressed with her daughter's work with the Feminist Majority Foundation and their Girls Learn International. Elise Margosis said her Elana was able to meet women from across the world through the program. With what she learned, Elana was able to teach a human rights elective to underclassmen when she was a senior, an experience Elise says was probably the highlight of her daughter's year, if not her entire experience at H-B. After graduating, Elana Margosis is planning on attending Rice University.

Kathi Morrison-Taylor was not only attending the graduation as a parent, but as a teacher. Morrison-Taylor and Michael Coughlin teach HILT, High-Intensity Language Training, for students for whom English is not their native language.

"I'm incredibly proud," said Morrison-Taylor, "These students come from very different backgrounds, and most have second jobs to support their families."

"It's a big accomplishment," said Coughlin. "We've both taught at other schools. It's a dream being here. We're given the freedom and respect needed to teach kids. [As teachers,] we usually know best what the needs are and we're given a lot of latitude in that regard."

As was brought up several times that night, Morrison-Taylor described the school as a family.

"We've had kids face extremely difficult circumstances," said Coughlin. "We've seen them be so determined and never give up, no matter the odds."

During the graduation, Coughlin gave each student in his program a dictionary and a word to look up following the graduation ceremony.

For Frank Haltiwanger, 2015 would be his last year at a graduation as principal. While he plans on attending future graduations, as Anderson attended graduations each

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**HILT Instructor Michael Coughlin embraces graduating Wally Walwyn.**



**Ray Anderson, founder of H-B Woodlawn, points to his daughter's signature on a previous graduating year's painted wall.**



**Margaret Gorman (left) and Maryrose Durbin (right, on guitar) sing a farewell song for departing Principal Frank Haltiwanger.**



**Zoe Boyd receiving a gift, a pink Superman cape, from instructor Carl Holmquist.**



# Principal To Leave in August

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year, he still said this experience was extremely emotional. Haltiwanger has worked at the school for 25 years and has spent the last 11 as the facility's principal. Haltiwanger plans on working at H-B until August when he can help transition the new principal, Casey Robinson, into the position. Robinson, a graduate of H-B in 1995 and later from Rice University and the University of Michigan, has been teaching at H-B since 2002. Haltiwanger said he believes the school will be in good hands with her.

"She's homegrown," said Haltiwanger. "She's familiar with the way the school works."

Haltiwanger's decision to leave the school comes synchronized with the School Board decision to move the program to a new facility in Rosslyn in 2019. The new H-B will host 775 students, the largest student body the program has experienced. Haltiwanger said he had concerns about the move.

"Our operation is highly dependent on our small size," said Haltiwanger. "We have low levels of supervision, no rules, tremendous trust of staff and students .... We talk with [our students]. We trust them and they come to trust us. Being on a first name basis and being very informal allows us to have pretty significant relationships with the kids. They have ac-

cess to us they wouldn't have at other schools. Kids feel a sense of responsibility and ownership. They care about the well being of the school because it's theirs."

Haltiwanger said he'll still be involved with the school on the sidelines, but said that if the school was undergoing a change of location, it was fitting for that to correspond with a change in leadership.

"It doesn't make sense for me to be involved in making this move," said Haltiwanger. "It was a good time."

After his retirement, Haltiwanger plans to travel to Montreal and Italy with his family. He also expressed an interest in focusing on music, his true passion. Haltiwanger plays

the fiddle, mandolin and guitar. Honoring this passion, at the beginning of the graduation ceremony, graduating seniors Margaret Gorman and Maryrose Durbin performed a song for their departing principal.

During the ceremony, H-B instructor Tom Mallan summarized one of his students, Carter Stucki, as the embodiment of what H-B hopes to find in students.

"He's unique, but never alone," said Mallan. "Carter [Stucki] is a pleasure to teach, but hard to squeeze into a standardized test. He's more than a transcript."

**"This school hasn't changed at all. You just have to look at the walls, painted from the 1980s, and it's happening again today."**

— Ray Anderson, H-B's founder

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# OPINION

## Safe Planning for Independence

Talking and planning about celebrating July 4, and throughout the summer months.

Independence Day is a national celebration, and for many, that celebration includes alcohol. The summer overall and July 4 in particular are times of greater risk for drinking and driving.

This is true for the young adults over 21 living with you, and unfortunately also for many teens who are under 21. More on that below.

For all revelers in independence: Make a plan. Plan to celebrate with access to public transportation. Plan to have a designated driver. Plan to celebrate in a place safe and comfortable to spend the night.

But in case those plans go awry, here is an alternative safety net.

On the night of Saturday, July 4, the Washington Regional Alcohol Program will offer free taxi rides home (up to \$30), beginning at 10 p.m. for six hours until 4 a.m. the morning of July 5. Participants must be at least 21. Call 1-800-200-TAXI.

On July 4, 2014, more than 150 people used WRAP's SoberRide service rather than possibly driving home impaired.

In summer, 44 percent of all U.S. traffic deaths are caused by alcohol-impaired drivers,

according to statistics provided by WRAP. SoberRide is a way to help keep local roads safe from impaired drivers during this traditionally high-risk holiday.

On July 4, historically, nearly 40 percent of traffic deaths in the U.S. are caused by drunk drivers; more than 20 percent of the drunk drivers involved in those deaths during the 2013 July 4 holiday had blood alcohol concentrations of nearly twice the legal limit, said Kurt Erickson of WRAP.

For parents of young adults who may be living at home and parents of those under 21, this is time to talk. Ask about plans, ask specifically about getting home. Remind those over 21 to take the WRAP phone number with them.

While you hope that young adults under 21 aren't drinking — because there are lots of dangers to binge drinking beyond drinking and driving — you know that many of them will be drinking. Talk with your teens about the problems of binge drinking. Let your younger family members know that you would much rather pay for a cab or come get them yourself than run the risk of losing them.

This is a message important for the tail end of graduation season and good for the whole summer, which is the time of the highest risk for teen drivers.

Since 1993, WRAP's SoberRide program has provided more than 62,500 free cab rides home to would-be drunk drivers in the Greater Washington area.

For more information, visit [www.soberride.com](http://www.soberride.com).

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Questioning VDOT On I-66 Plan

To the Editor:

*The following is a statement by the 66 Alliance at the Virginia Department of Transportation's public information meeting on the "Transform 66 Inside the Beltway Project" at the Arlington Public Library on June 17.*

Good evening. My name is Greg Scott. I live with our family in Warrenton, Va. and have commuted on an almost daily basis from Fauquier County to downtown Washington, D.C. on I-66 for over 13 years.

I appear this evening on behalf of the grassroots I-66 commuter advocacy group called the "66 Alliance." The Alliance is a growing group of I-66 commuters — now over 400 members after just a month of recruiting — committed to challenging many facets of VDOT's plans for I-66, both inside and outside the Beltway. More information on the Alliance can be found on our website at [www.66alliance.org](http://www.66alliance.org).

The Alliance's members are united by our concern about VDOT's plan to change the carpooling rules on I-66 from HOV-2 to HOV-3. We are con-

cerned about VDOT's plan to end the Clean Fuel Vehicle plate program for all of I-66. We are concerned about VDOT's plan to toll I-66 inside the Beltway in both directions during the morning and evening rush hours, thereby impacting thousands of "reverse" commuters. And we are concerned about the collective impacts of all of these plans on the primary alternative commuter routes to I-66, both inside and outside the Beltway, and the potential for commuters to "bail" from these primary commuter routes onto residential and neighborhood streets.

Primarily, the Alliance's members are deeply concerned that VDOT is undertaking all of these plans for I-66 without a single public hearing on the impact of these plans on I-66's commuters, without seeking the input from the users of I-66, and without releasing a single study, report or analysis with respect to commuter impacts supporting any of these plans. In short, VDOT plans to disrupt the commuting patterns and personal and professional lives of tens of thousands of Northern Virginia commuters without answering the hard questions that should come with such momentous decisions.

The Alliance asserts that this

lack of transparency from VDOT must end, and that end must begin today. The Alliance has sent an open letter to VDOT Secretary Aubrey Layne today — a copy of which I will share with the panel-asking 13 simple but vital questions to VDOT with respect to its I-66 plans. The Alliance's members are united in our conviction that VDOT should not move forward with any aspects of its I-66 plans, inside or outside the Beltway, before all of these questions are answered — comprehensively and in writing.

I would be pleased to pose some or all of the Alliance's questions to this evening's VDOT panelists if you wish. We could discuss some or all of the questions in this public forum for all attendees to hear. Please let me know if you would like to take advantage of this "Public Information Meeting" to impart some real and important information to the public, rather than the canned and uninformative presentations and charts that VDOT has presented to date at its myriad public hearings on its I-66 plans.

Thank you for this opportunity to present the Alliance's views at this public hearing. We look forward to receiving VDOT's responses to the Alliance's questions in the near future.

### The Questions For VDOT

*The following letter was addressed to Aubrey Layne, Secretary Virginia Department of Transportation.*

Re: Questions from the 66 Alliance Regarding VDOT's Plans for I-66 Inside the Beltway

The 66 Alliance, as a representative of the public and of I-66 commuters, poses the following questions to VDOT and asks for comprehensive answers, including sources for the data or studies referred to in each answer, to these questions before VDOT moves forward in any fashion with its plans for I-66 inside the Beltway.

1. What is the hourly vehicle capacity for the existing lanes of I-66 between the D.C. line and the Capital Beltway? Is there a difference between the eastbound and westbound lanes?

2. Where are the current congestion points on I-66 inside the Beltway in both directions during the morning and afternoon/evening rush hours, why does congestion occur at these points, is the roadway's maximum vehicle capacity exceeded during these times, and what alternatives has VDOT considered, besides a con-

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version to High Occupancy Toll (HOT) lanes in each direction, to mitigate this rush hour congestion?

3. During the rush hours (east-bound in the morning and west-bound in the evening), how many vehicles use I-66 on an hourly basis that fall into the following categories: (1) HOV-2; vehicles with Clean Fuel Vehicle (CFV) plates; (3) vehicles travelling to or from Dulles Airport; and, (4) HOV "cheaters," or vehicles not entitled to travel on I-66 during these restricted times?

4. How many of the I-66 HOV "cheaters" (expressed both as a percentage and as a number) are ticketed by state or county police on an hourly or daily basis on average between 495 and the D.C. line, what is the average fine for each citation, and how much revenue does the state and county forgo annually by not fully enforcing the existing HOV lane rules on I-66 between D.C. and the Beltway?

5. Have commuters in both directions (with the rush hours and "reverse" commuters) on I-66 inside the Beltway paid for the construction and maintenance of I-66 through our federal and state motor fuel excise taxes?

6. Based on the agency's answer to Question 5, what specific statutory or regulatory authority — derived from a federal or Virginia statute or regulation — gives VDOT the authority to either privatize a portion of an interstate highway paid for with taxpayer dollars or convert those taxpayer-financed lanes into HOT lanes?

7. What, if any, contact has any VDOT employee had with each of the following — (a) the Federal Highway Administration; (b) any other federal agency; (c) any private company that is in the business of building and operating highways financed through HOT lane revenues; or, (d) any independent entity for the purpose of study or research — with respect to the conversion of I-66 inside the Beltway to HOT lanes, to I-66's existing HOV-2 (as opposed to HOV-3) rule, to the use of I-66 by vehicles with CFV plates, or the role of HOV "cheaters" in the highway's congestion.

8. How have VDOT's projections for HOT lane use, average toll per mile, weekly, monthly or annual toll revenues, congestion mitigation, non-express lane congestion, and surface and neighborhood street "bailouts" and resulting non-interstate congestion (particularly on Routes 29, 7, 50, and 244 in Fairfax and Arlington counties) compared to actual data for I-495's

and I-95's HOT lanes, and how are VDOT's projections for the I-66 inside the Beltway HOT lanes similar to or different than its projections for those other projects.

9. With respect to tolling "reverse" commuters on I-66 inside the Beltway, what data can VDOT provide on the impacts of this plan on "bailouts" from the interstate to surface and neighborhood streets (particularly on Routes 29, 7, 50, and 244 in Fairfax and Arlington counties), in terms of local congestion, neighborhood safety and projected revenue from the "reverse" HOT lanes?

10. Why is VDOT planning to toll I-66 inside the Beltway in both directions during the rush hours when it did not impose the same tolls on the express lanes of I-395 inside the Beltway?

11. Why is VDOT planning to repeal the CFV plate program on I-66 inside Beltway when it did not repeal a similar CFV program on I-395 as part of the I-395/I-95 HOT lane conversion?

12. What number — both in percentages and total vehicles — of current HOV-2 users of I-66's inside the Beltway HOV lanes will continue to use these lanes as HOV-3 carpoolers, and how many current HOV-2 users will either shift to other roads or transportation options to avoid the tolls or simply pay the tolls in the HOT lanes?

13. What plans does VDOT have to follow — or ignore — the opinion of many users of I-66 inside the Beltway that much of the congestion on this portion of this highway can be mitigated by widening I-66 inside the Beltway to 3 or 4 lanes in each direction?


The 66 Alliance sincerely appreciates VDOT's willingness to respond to these questions from the commuting public. We will wait with great anticipation to your comprehensive responses to these questions.

Once VDOT answers these and any other questions that the public may have on VDOT's plans for I-66 inside the Beltway, the 66 Alliance respectfully asks that VDOT schedule another series of meetings or hearings so that the public can discuss publicly VDOT's answers to these questions and, if appropriate, raise new concerns or questions about the information contained in VDOT's answers.

If you have questions about the information the 66 Alliance's members are seeking in this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

In advance, the members of the 66 Alliance thank you for your prompt attention to these questions.

**Gregory M. Scott**  
The 66 Alliance



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## PEOPLE

# This Hamburger Came to Arlington ...

An exchange student in Arlington leaves loving ice hockey and rock music.

By EDEN BROWN  
THE CONNECTION

Ask Simon Kroger what surprised him when he first got to America, he laughs and says: “When the guy kept refilling my glass with soda and it was free.” He is going to miss that very un-European custom when he returns to Hamburg.

“When I came here, I thought it would be like Europe,” Kroger said about his arrival in Arlington last fall from Hamburg, Germany. “But it wasn’t at all like home in many ways.” Kroger, a 17-year-old exchange student at Yorktown High School, travelled here under the auspices of the Youth for Understanding (YFU) program. “For one thing,” he said, “People in the U.S. thank each other all the time. They talk openly to each other, even to total strangers who are standing in line at McDonalds. They are more social, more interactive. When I first got here, people were asking me: ‘What’s up?’ all the time and I thought I had to answer the question because they really wanted to know what I was doing.” Now he knows that’s just a conversation opener, not a request for information.

Simon catalogued the many differences between life as a student in Hamburg and life in Arlington. He noticed right away that people here dress differently — more casually — flip flops and shorts. He thought it odd at first because at the same time, Arlingtonians were clearly able to afford nicer clothes. Then he realized it wasn’t like Germany, where what you wear and how much effort you put into your hair matters more. There are no school sports in Hamburg; school is just for academics. Here, it is a large part of the school experience. Although Simon could not get on the soccer team here because the coach didn’t know him and exchange students aren’t often chosen, he managed to play Ultimate Frisbee and club ice hockey. He fell in love with the latter sport, especially being able to play at Kettler Capitals Iceplex in Ballston. He wants to play it back home if he can. The fact that Arlington high schools have swimming pools amazed him, as did the well equipped gym and the library.

“The width of the streets, the bigness of everything, the greenery everywhere”,



Simon Kroger at home in Arlington.

Kroger said, smiling, “When I got here last August, I felt as though I was in an American movie: it was just like on the big screen.”

Another major difference for Kroger was the intense school spirit he found at Yorktown. Here, students wear Yorktown sweatshirts and are proud of their school. He was amazed at the difference in youths’ attitude towards teachers. Arlington high school students are more respectful of teachers, and the profession is more valued than in Germany, where the teaching profession is viewed as “what you do when you can’t do anything else,” Kroger said. A large part of the reason, he thinks, for the respect students feel for teachers here, has to do with the way students are evaluated. Fifty percent of the grade in Germany is the “participation grade” or how much you say in class. This opens the door to some students currying favor with teachers and being graded up for it. But at Yorktown, Kroger smiles, “Some kids just sat in the back of the classroom and said nothing: they weren’t given poor grades as long as they did the work.”

Kroger said he didn’t choose Arlington, but he is glad YFU chose it for him. He said he might not have enjoyed being out in rural Minnesota where there is no public transportation. Arlington offers both greenery and urban access. In Germany, he was free to go wherever he wanted: the subway and bicycle are the most common forms of transportation in Hamburg. He doesn’t ride his

bike in Arlington because the bike paths don’t seem as safe as in Germany. He prefers the separation between road and bike path so that there is less risk of a driver hitting a cyclist. He isn’t even sure Americans are aware of cyclists the way they are in Germany, and noticed there were a lot of people who drove with cell phones to the ear and might not notice a bike.

Kroger said he felt lucky to be housed with his Arlington host family, the Flemings. He was impressed that his host mom, Alexa, was so easy to talk to and was at home a lot because she is a journalist. He learned to love rock music because of his host family. And the Flemings? They have hosted foreign students three times for a year, and four times on shorter mini-exchanges. Alexa Fleming said she believes her family gets as much from having a student live with them as he does. People ask her how she could bring another teenager into her house, as if it were odd ... but for her family, living with these youths “has bumped us out of complacency. Simon brought something different to each member of the family and helped all of us look at things from different angles. We get way more from these kids than they get from us. They’re a gift we have given ourselves.” Her son Garrett says Kroger is like the brother he never had.

As for family customs, Kroger said in Germany you sit together every night and eat dinner together. Not so much in the U.S.,

where people’s schedules don’t always allow for that and one grabs dinner sitting on stools around the kitchen island. In Germany, he could stay out later and drink beer legally at age

16. Here, he is expected home earlier and isn’t allowed to drink. But that’s OK, he says. He doesn’t drink to get drunk like many American youths seem to do. That didn’t stop him from joining in the family debate mid-way through the year about how late the curfew should be ... on the later side.

“So many Americans,” he said, “could

benefit from doing the same thing because they don’t know much about life outside the USA. Personally, though, it’s also a bit of a reset. You can be whoever you want and grow as a person, because no one knows who you were back in Hamburg.” He for instance, played handball for seven years in Germany, but not at all here. It also gave him a great perspective on his country, and a more neutral view of both Americans and Germans, “without so many judgments.” His mother, who visited him last week after spending the year apart, noticed the difference in Simon immediately: he too became more outgoing as a result of his time in Arlington.

Kroger said his school in Arlington was a lot more diverse than in Germany, where there were some Turkish students and one African-German. That said, he said in the U.S. there was “a lot of buzz about blacks versus whites, especially during the time of the shooting in Ferguson, Missouri and ‘Black Lives Matter’ demonstrations. People talked about race more than they would have in Germany.” There is more separation here, he feels, between people of different ethnicities, with many cliques being “just Hispanic” or “just Black.”

There were many similarities between young Germans and young Americans: both play a lot of video games and enjoy Xbox and PlayStation, but Americans are very interested in Twitter whereas Germans are more into WhatsApp. Everyone has a phone, but iPhones are more common here. Soccer is the most important sport in Hamburg, but here the stadium for a DC United game was barely 25 percent full. Food in Germany is more organic and whole grain, whereas here, it’s pretty unhealthy and might be genetically modified, which never happens in Germany.

Things he will take back to Hamburg? Love of hockey and rock music, more respect for teachers and social openness, lifetime friends with his host family. A couple of hockey sticks. A lot of great memories. His advice for exchange students: Definitely do a sport, stay busy all the time, and go to any events you can like concerts, sports events. Try new things. Push that reset button. Kroger’s picks for Arlington? Thai Noy Restaurant in Westover, Chipotle, Joe’s Pizza, McDonalds and .... refillable drinks.

To get involved, visit [www.yfu.org](http://www.yfu.org).

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— Simon Kroger

## “FLOURISHING AFTER 55”

“Flourishing After 55” from Arlington Office of Senior Adult Programs for June 29-July 3.

**Senior centers:** Lee, 5722 Lee Hwy.; Langston-Brown Senior Center, 2121 N. Culpeper St.; Culpepper Garden, 4435 N. Pershing Dr.; Walter Reed, 2909 S. 16<sup>th</sup> St.; Arlington Mill, 909 S. Dinwiddie St.; Aurora Hills, 735 S. 18<sup>th</sup> St. Arlington Senior Centers will be closed Friday, July 3

**Senior trips:** Monday, June 29, Kutztown (Pa.) Festival, \$23; Wednesday, July 1, Toby’s Dinner Theatre, “1776,” \$59; Thursday, July 2, Blue-

grass Concert, Castleton, Va., \$42; Friday, July 2, Washington Nationals vs San Francisco Giants, \$60. Call Arlington County 55+ Travel, 703-228-4748. Registration required

**Pickleball games and instruction,** Mondays, 11 a.m., Arlington Mill. Free. Register, 703-228-7369.

**Ice skating,** Mondays, 8 a.m. – 9:10 a.m., Kettler Capitals Iceplex, Ballston Mall, \$1. Register, 703-228-4745.

**Madison Chess Club,** Mondays, 9:30 a.m. Games and strategies. Free. Details, 703-534-6232.

**Table tennis,** Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., Arlington Mill.

Free. Register, 703-228-7369.

**Volleyball,** Tuesdays, 1:30 p.m., Langston-Brown. Free. Register, 703-228-6300.

**Belly dance class,** Tuesdays and Fridays, 10 a.m., Lee. Free. Register, 703-228-0555.

**Beginners full fitness exercise,** Tuesdays, 10 a.m., Lee. \$60/15 sessions or \$4 per class. Details, 703-228-0555.

**Arlington Mill Walkers,** Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. Free. Register, 703-228-7369.

**Table tennis,** Tuesdays, 10 a.m., -12 p.m., Walter Reed. Free. Register, 703-228-0955.

**Poker games,** Tuesdays and Thurs-

days, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Lee. Register, 703-228-0555.

**Registration opens** Wednesday, July 1, 2015 N. VA Senior Olympics, \$12, [www.nvso.us](http://www.nvso.us), 703-228-4721.

**Drop-in basketball for women** begins Wednesday, July 1, 7 p.m., Langston-Brown. Free. Register, 703-228-4771.

**Armchair tour,** National Gallery of Art, Wednesday, July 1, 1:30 p.m., Lee. Free. Register, 703-228-0555.

**Collecting school supplies** for children and teachers, Lee and Aurora Hills. Details, 703-228-4721.

**Duplicate bridge,** ACBL sanctioned, Wednesdays, 10 a.m., Aurora

Hills. \$5. Register, 703-228-5722.

**Events that changed course of history,** Thursday, July 2, 1 p.m., Culpepper Garden. Free. Register, 703-228-4403.

**Lee Woodcarvers share woodcarving tips,** Thursdays, 1 p.m. Free. Details, 703-228-0555.

**Scrabble games,** Thursdays, 1 p.m., Culpepper Garden. Free. Details, 703-228-4403.

**Lee Walkers,** Lee Senior Center, Fridays, 10 a.m., \$3. Register, 703-228-0555.

**Fast-paced walking group,** Fridays, 8 a.m., Aurora Hills. Free. Register, 703-228-5722.



## PEOPLE

# Changing Genres from Thriller to Self-Help

**Local author uses his novels' characters to address life.**

BY AMINA LUQMAN  
THE CONNECTION

**Y**ears ago Charles Toftoy conceived of an idea for a thriller mystery novel in which four unlikely friends shared their talents to solve crimes. The four friends became the Alpha Team and the two mystery thrillers, "It's in the Eyes" and "Eyes of Cold Case Killers," met with national acclaim. Toftoy's latest work, "Amazing Fireside Talks: Intriguing Thoughts to Awaken You," is both familiar and surprising. The Alpha Team returns, yet this time they've taken a sabbatical from their crime-solving lives to share stories and lessons of inspiration.

It was his wife's idea, said Toftoy, a resident of Arlington for over 40 years. "Why not write something inspiring that gives people hope?" she said one day. "I think she was a little tired of me meeting with people to talk about homicides."

Most authors would shy away from a genre switch, from thriller to self-help, but Toftoy was undeterred: "I like to challenge

myself."

To say that Toftoy doesn't shy away from challenges would be an understatement. A West Point graduate, two tours in Vietnam with two purple hearts, a business executive, former professor emeritus at George Washington University, lecturer, triathlete, and author of three books and numerous articles. Toftoy's life is one of goals set, then achieved. His latest work, at 382 pages, covers 25 life topics including trust, depression, anxiety, patience, integrity and happiness. "I did three and a half years of research and study before I even put pen to paper," he said of his approach.

The book draws from research in books, blogs, websites and meetings and conversations with a diversity of people.

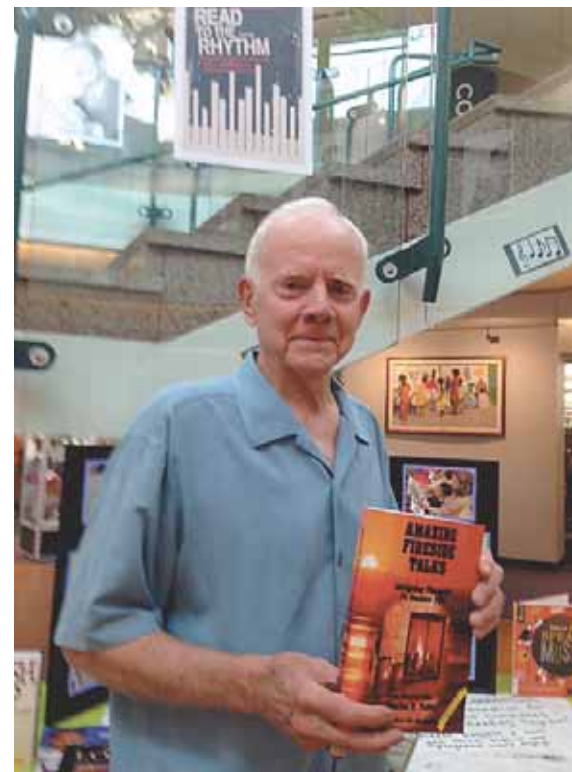
"I didn't want any fluff in the book," Toftoy said in response to looking at several other inspirational books on the market. He departs from the typical inspirational book format where the author conveys ideas using his or her voice. Instead he uses the voices of his fictitious characters in The Alpha Team. For each topic, each of the four Alpha Team friends presents his or her own wisdom and ideas. Why this format? "I didn't want it to be about me. I want it to be about you, the reader." For Toftoy, this style felt natural. After two books with the Alpha Team, Toftoy feels a connection

with his characters, "The characters live inside me." He said.

"I've never had writer's block," said Toftoy about his writing. "I'll be freewheeling around doing something and all of a sudden I get an idea and I start writing and it flows." Over the years he's learned that good ideas are valuable and fleeting. "I keep a note pad by my bed. If I get an idea, I write one or two words down." That's all he needs to jog his memory and begin writing once again.

"I wanted to inspire people and give them hope," Toftoy said about his motivation for writing the book. As a veteran, he always kept fellow veterans in mind as he wrote. For years, Toftoy has actively worked with the Wounded Warrior Mentor Program, working with veterans suffering from PTSD, traumatic brain injury and more. A portion of the book's proceeds will go to the mentor program.

And in the process of writing about self-help and inspiration he learned a great deal. "I'm much more patient now. I take in more," he said. "I practice more deep breathing. I re-



Charles Toftoy

PHOTO BY AMINA LUQMAN/THE CONNECTION

member to always look ahead and move forward."

Find out more about the book and about Toftoy at [www.charlestoftoy.com](http://www.charlestoftoy.com).



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## ONGOING

**“Fragments of Everyday Life.”** Through June 27, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday at Gallery Underground, 2100 Crystal Drive. Artist Dennis Crayon uses classical painting techniques, trompe l’oeil, and contemporary composition to paint “fragments.” Free. Visit [www.galleryunderground.com](http://www.galleryunderground.com).

**June Members Show.** Through June 27, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday at Gallery Underground, 2100 Crystal Drive. Gallery Underground’s members will present an exhibit of sculpture, glass, ceramics, etc. Free. Visit [www.galleryunderground.com](http://www.galleryunderground.com).

**“Current.”** Through June 28, 4-8 p.m. on Wednesday and Friday; 12-5 p.m. on Sunday at Artisphere’s Artist in Residence Studio, 1101 Wilson Blvd. Sculptor and installation artist Brian Davis will have open studio hours. Free. Visit [www.artisphere.com](http://www.artisphere.com). **Spring SOLOS.** Through June 28, 12-5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday at Arlington Arts Center, 3550 Wilson Blvd. Arlington Arts Center hosts several solo exhibits each season. This spring, they welcome Bradley Chriss, Nichola Kinch, Kate kretz, A. Gray Lamb, Nate Larson, Dan Perkins, and Paul Shortt. Admission to the gallery is free. Visit [www.arlingtonartscenter.org](http://www.arlingtonartscenter.org).

**The Madwoman of Chaillot.** Through June 28 at various times at Gunston Theatre Two, 2700 South Lang St. The WSC Avant Bard presents a comedy translated from French about four women attempting to save the world from capitalists. Tickets start at \$10. Visit [www.wscavantbard.org](http://www.wscavantbard.org).

**“Holoscenes/Quaternary Suite.”** Through June 28, Gallery hours at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. Media artists, design, director, write and artistic director of Early Morning Opera Lars Jan presents a performance, video, photographic and print comprised work. Free. Visit [www.artisphere.com](http://www.artisphere.com).

**“Cabaret.”** Through June 28 at various times at Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave. This musical is set in 1931 Berlin and revolves about a young cabaret perform and her love interest. Tickets start at \$40. Visit [www.signature-theatre.org](http://www.signature-theatre.org).

**Crystal Screen.** Mondays through Aug. 31 at sunset at 1851 S Bell St. Courtyard. Watch a projected film under the stars. This year’s theme is espionage. Free. Visit [www.crystallcity.org](http://www.crystallcity.org).

**ArtJamz.** Fridays in June from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at 1750 Crystal Drive. Create an original work of art while being inspired by the beauty of water, multiple wine varietals and live music. Customers get their choice of canvas, paint and art materials, easel, as well as helpful tips and guidance from art-trained team of creative enablers. Tickets are \$40 45. Visit [www.artjamzdc.com/wine-in-the-water-park-artjamz-crystal-city](http://www.artjamzdc.com/wine-in-the-water-park-artjamz-crystal-city).

**Barre in the Park.** Wednesdays through July, 6-7 p.m. at Gateway Park, 1300 Lee Highway. Lava Barre provides an outdoor fitness class focused on the ballet barre. Free. Visit [www.rosslynva.org](http://www.rosslynva.org).

**Fashion Truck Fridays.** Last Friday of the month through September, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at the corner of Lynn St. and Wilson Blvd. or the Plaza at 19th and N Moore St. Fashion trucks The G Truck, Curvy Chix Chariot, Tin Lizzy Mobile Boutique, Zoe’s Shoe Bar, The Board Bus, TNTN Unique Designs, Sheyla’s Boutique, and The Pink Armoire will rotate their schedules to appear. Free to attend. Visit [www.rosslynva.org](http://www.rosslynva.org) for more.

**Shirlala Music Festival.** Thursdays, through Aug. 27. 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Village at Shirlington, 4200 Campbell Drive. The third annual Shirlala Music Festival features three months of live music. This event series is free and open to the public. See [www.villageatshirlington.com](http://www.villageatshirlington.com).

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**Summer Movies @Penrose Square.** Saturdays, through Sept. 19. Sundown at Penrose Square, 2597 Columbia Pike. Free. Visit



## ‘All American Bar Crawl’

Approximately a dozen bars in Clarendon including Clarendon Grill and Mad Rose Tavern will play host to the All American Bar Crawl on Saturday, June 27. For \$30, patrons will receive drink specials, a “Freedom” mug, party beads, raffle ticket, and \$2 pizza slices. Visit [www.allamericanbarcrawl.com](http://www.allamericanbarcrawl.com) for more.



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**Sizzlin’ Summer Nights Series.** July 8-25 at Signature Theater, 4200 Campbell Ave. Christine Pedit, Natascia Diaz, Sherri L. Edelen, Will Gartshore and the Revenge of the Understudies Mitchell Jarvis (The Threepenny Opera), Kevin McAllister and more are scheduled to perform. Call box office at 703-820-9771.

**LGBT & Straight Friends Social.** Tuesdays. Happy Hour, 3 p.m.-7 p.m.; Mikey’s “Bar A” Video Wall, 7 p.m.; start time at 8 p.m. IOTA Club & Cafe, 2832 Wilson Blvd. IOTA Club & Cafe has designated every Tuesday LGBT & Straight Friends Social Night for those 21 years and older. Free. Visit [www.iotaclubandcafe.com](http://www.iotaclubandcafe.com) for more information.

**Open Mic Comedy.** Wednesdays 8-10 p.m. at Ri Ra Irish Pub, 2915 Wilson Blvd. Doors open at 7 p.m. 21 and up only. Free show, \$25 cash prize for best joke. Call 703-248-9888 or visit [www.RiRa.com/Arlington](http://www.RiRa.com/Arlington) for more.

**Food Truck Thursdays.** 5:30-8:30 p.m. at the corner of North Irving St., and Washington Blvd. Find a round-up of regional food trucks. Free to attend. Visit [www.dmvfta.org](http://www.dmvfta.org).

**Invasive Plants Removal.** Work parties are held every month to keep the parks free of destructive invasive plants. Teens, adults and families welcome. Every second Sunday of the month 2-4:30 p.m. at Gulf Branch Nature Center, 3608 Military Road; call 703-228-3403. Every third Sunday of the month 2-5 p.m. at Long Branch Nature Center, 625 S. Carlin Springs Road; call 703-228-6535 or visit [registration.arlingtonva.us](http://registration.arlingtonva.us). Free, no registration required.

**Poetry Series.** 6-8 p.m. second Sunday of the month at IOTA Club & Cafe, 2832 Wilson Blvd. Hosted by poet Miles David Moore. Featured artists share their poetry followed by open readings. Free. Visit [www.iotaclubandcafe.com](http://www.iotaclubandcafe.com) or call 703-522-8340.

**Open Mic Nite.** 8 p.m.-12:30 a.m. every Wednesday at IOTA Club & Cafe, 2832 Wilson Blvd. Sign-up times are 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. Bring instruments, fans and friends. Featured musicians perform from 9:30-10 p.m. Visit [www.iotaclubandcafe.com](http://www.iotaclubandcafe.com) or call 703-522-8340.

**Karaoke.** 8 p.m. on the first Sunday every month at Galaxy Hut, 2711 Wilson Blvd. Visit [www.galaxyhut.com](http://www.galaxyhut.com) or call 703-525-8646.

**Storytime.** Mondays and Fridays, 10:30-11:00 a.m. at Kinder Haus Toys, 1220 N. Fillmore St. Storytime with Ms. Laura. Call 703-527-5929.

**Lego Club.** Monthly on the first Wednesday. 4-5 p.m. Glencarlyn Branch Library, 300 South Kensington St. The library provides tubs of legos and a special challenge and after the program the creations are displayed for everyone to see.

No registration required. Call 703-228-6548 for more.

**Ball-Sellers House Tours.** 1-4 p.m. at The Ball-Sellers House, 1015 N. Quincy St. This year marks the 40th anniversary of the Arlington Historical Society receiving the house from Marian Sellers in 1975 for \$1. Free. Visit [www.arlingtonhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.arlingtonhistoricalsociety.org).

**Crystal City Sparket.** 11 a.m.-2 p.m. on Wednesdays at 1900 Crystal Drive. Sparket — A Creative Market is an extension of DC’s Eastern Market complete with arts, crafts, and other handmade goods. Free to attend. Visit [www.crystallcity.org](http://www.crystallcity.org).

**Art for Life.** Third Thursday of each month. The Hyatt Regency Crystal City’s “Art for Life” Partnership with National Kidney Foundation brings a new artist each month to The Hyatt for a reception. Free. Visit [www.torpedofactory.com](http://www.torpedofactory.com).

## CAMPS, CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

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

**Synetic Theater.** Synetic Studio, 2155 Crystal City Plaza Arcade T-19, Arlington. Synetic offers an introduction to physical theater, acting and dance that inspire students to creativity. Classes include programs for elementary, middle and high school students, as well as adults. Discounted packages and payment plans are available. Visit [www.synetictheater.org/studio](http://www.synetictheater.org/studio) or call 703-824-8060.

**Arlington Arts Center Adult Summer Session.** June 16-Aug. 19 at Arlington Arts Center, 3350 Wilson Blvd. Class size has been reduced to allow room to be creative, and increased opportunity for one-on-one time with AAC Instructors. Prices vary. Register online at [www.arlingtonartscenter.org/aac-adult-classes](http://www.arlingtonartscenter.org/aac-adult-classes).

**Teen Camp Summer Intensive.** June 22-July 1, 9 a.m., at the Synetic Studio. Eight days of actor training and new play development led by Synetic teaching artists and DC theatre professionals, culminating in the production of Star Force, a physical musical theatre parody of everyone’s favorite intergalactic space odyssey. Register at [www.synetictheater.org](http://www.synetictheater.org).

**Children and Teens Art Summer Camps.** June 22-Aug. 24 at Arlington Arts Center, 3350 Wilson Blvd. Campers explore the fundamentals of art through fun projects that enhance and develop motor skills, observational thinking, and

artistic aptitude and much more. Ages 4-18. Price per camp is \$155-195. Register online at <https://www.arlingtonartscenter.org/education>.

## Youth and Teen Winter Fitness Programs.

Winter speed and explosion workshops at Swanson Middle School will focus on mental preparation, speed, explosion, agility, fitness and conditioning training. Teens ages 13-19 can take advantage of programs focused on baseball and softball. Ages 9-13 will enjoy a more generalized program. The key objective is to ensure that every athlete is challenged in an intense and fun atmosphere that will enable them to learn and maximize their performance and to achieve peak condition. For full time and session dates or to register visit [www.registration.arlingtonva.us](http://www.registration.arlingtonva.us) and use activity code 720515.

**GenCyber Residential Camp.** July 5-17, at Marymount University, 2807 North Glebe Road. Marymount University is offering Summer Tech Institutes for students 16-18. Participants will take daily classes from Marymount faculty. This program in particular will focus on awareness of cybersecurity among high school-aged children. Free. Visit [www.Marymount.edu/admissions/summer](http://www.Marymount.edu/admissions/summer) to apply.

**Jane Franklin Dance Summer Camp Program.** July 13-Aug. 7 at Cultural Affairs Building, 3700 S. Four Mile Run Drive. Children ages 5-9 may participate in theatre, performing, and visual arts activities. Enrollment starts at \$255. Scholarships are available. Visit [www.janefranklin.com/dance-education/classes](http://www.janefranklin.com/dance-education/classes).

**Mobile App Development Institute.** July 13-17, at Marymount University, 2807 North Glebe Road. Marymount University is offering Summer Tech Institutes for students grades 8-12. Participants will take daily classes from Marymount faculty. This program will focus on the development of mobile applications. Free except for \$100 application fee. Visit [www.Marymount.edu/admissions/summer](http://www.Marymount.edu/admissions/summer) to apply.

**GenCyber Day Camp.** July 5-17, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at Marymount University, 2807 North Glebe Road. Marymount University is offering Summer Tech Institutes for students 14-18. Participants will take daily classes from Marymount faculty. This program in particular will focus on awareness of cybersecurity among high school-aged children. \$100 application fee. Visit [www.Marymount.edu/admissions/summer](http://www.Marymount.edu/admissions/summer) to apply.

**Bowen McCauley Dance Summer Intensive.** Aug. 10-14, 4-8:30 p.m. at The Maryland Youth Ballet studios, 926 Ellsworth Drive, Silver Spring, Md. Bowen McCauley Dance of Arlington will host four days of intensives for dancers age 16 and older. Registration is \$400



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until May 31, \$450 until June 30, \$500 after that. Scholarships are available. Visit [www.bmdc.org/outreach.intensive](http://www.bmdc.org/outreach.intensive).

## WEDNESDAY/JUNE 24

**The Arlingtones.** 8 p.m. at Lubber Run Park, N Columbus St. and 2nd St. N. A local barbershop quartet performs. Free. Visit [www.arlingtonarts.org](http://www.arlingtonarts.org).

## THURSDAY/JUNE 25

**Author Talk.** 6:30 p.m. at One More Page Books, 2200 N Westmoreland St. Journalist and author Robert Fuss discusses and signs his book, "Kidnapped by Nuns and Other Stories of a Life on the Radio." Free. Visit [www.onemorepagebooks.com](http://www.onemorepagebooks.com).

**Live Music.** 9 p.m. at IOTA Club & Cafe, 2832 Wilson Blvd. Singer/songwriter Caroline Rose perform rockabilly-style music alongside rock duo Sirsy. Tickets are \$12. Visit [www.iotaclubandcafe.com](http://www.iotaclubandcafe.com).

## JUNE 25-28

**The Amazing Acro-cats.** 2, 4, and 8 p.m. at The Syntetic Theatre in Crystal City, 1800 S. Bell St. Samantha Martin and her Amazing Acro-Cats will perform a series of agile feats including walking tightropes, skateboarding and more. Tickets are \$20. Visit [www.circuscats.com](http://www.circuscats.com).

## FRIDAY/JUNE 26

**Benefit Show for the Josh Anderson Foundation.** 4-6 p.m. at IOTA Club & Cafe, 2832 Wilson Blvd. A performance by rock band Plexus will benefit a foundation dedicated to suicide prevention and

helping teens with mental illness. Tickets are \$10. Visit [www.iotaclubandcafe.com](http://www.iotaclubandcafe.com).

**The Buzz Hounds.** 6 p.m. at Westover Beer Garden & Haus, 5863 Washington Blvd. Local band plays '70s cover songs. Free. Call 703-536-5040 for more.

**Mary Ann Redmond.** 8 p.m. at Lubber Run Park, N Columbus St & 2nd St N. Jazz vocalist performance. Free. Call 703-228-1850 for more.

**The Vespers.** 9 p.m. at IOTA Club & Cafe, 2832 Wilson Blvd. Americana-style band celebrates its third studio album titled, "Sisters and Brothers." Tickets are \$12. Visit [www.iotaclubandcafe.com](http://www.iotaclubandcafe.com).

## FRIDAY-SATURDAY/JUNE 26-27

**"Pasodoble, A Gift to my Mother."** 8 p.m. at Gunston Arts Center, 2700 South Lang St. Carmen de Vicente Spanish Dance Academy presents a program of traditional Spanish music, dance, castanets, and costumes. Tickets are \$25. Visit [www.carmendevicente.com](http://www.carmendevicente.com).

## SATURDAY/JUNE 27

**Waterwise Gardening** 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. at Fairlington Community Center, 3308 S. Stafford St. Master Gardeners of Northern Virginia (Arlington/Alexandria) will present a program on water-conscious gardening. The program is free and open to the public, but advance registration is requested at [mgnv.org](http://mgnv.org). Call 703-228-6414 or email [mgaralex@gmail.com](mailto:mgaralex@gmail.com).

**Author Event.** 12 p.m. at One More Page Books, 2200 N Westmoreland St. Author Allison Leotta will read from her book, "A Good Killing" about a D.C. prosecutor who returns

home to find her sister accused of killing a high school coach. Free. Visit [www.onemorepagebooks.com](http://www.onemorepagebooks.com).

**Lisa Jakub Author Event.** 2 p.m. at One More Page Books, 2200 N Westmoreland St. Former child actor Lisa Jakub will discuss her memoir, "You Look Like That Girl: A Child Actor Stops Pretending and Finally Grows Up." Free. Visit [www.onemorepagebooks.com](http://www.onemorepagebooks.com).

**Laurie Rose Griffith & Peter Mealy.** 8 p.m. at Lubber Run Park, N Columbus St & 2nd St N. Blues-inspired musicians will perform. Free. Visit [www.arlingtonarts.org](http://www.arlingtonarts.org).

## JUNE 27, 28, AND 30

**Historic Wedding Celebration.** 11 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday, 1-4 p.m. on Sunday and 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on Tuesday at the Arlington House, 321 Sherman Drive, Fort Myer. In honor of the 184th wedding anniversary of of Robert E. Lee and Mary Anna Randolph Custis, The National Park Service is hosting three days of educational events about wedding customs and traditions. The wedding will be reenacted on June 30. Admission is free. Visit [www.nps.gov](http://www.nps.gov).

## SATURDAY/JUNE 27

**Brunch at Cove Rosslyn.** 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at cove Rosslyn, 1735 N Clarendon Blvd. Meet the cove team and enjoy mimosas, baked goods and coffee. Free. Visit [www.cove.is/events/brunch-rosslyn](http://www.cove.is/events/brunch-rosslyn) to RSVP.

**All American Bar Crawl.** 2-9 p.m. at various Clarendon bars. More than a dozen local bars will participate in an Independence Day-themed bar crawl with specials at each bar, food and more. Tickets are \$30. Visit [www.allamericanbarcrawl.com](http://www.allamericanbarcrawl.com).



## 'Colors of the World' Opens in July

Artist Adrienne Kralick used oil paint to capture the "Colors of the World." The exhibit will be on display at Gallery Underground June 29-July 31. The opening reception is July 10, 5-8 p.m. See [www.galleryunderground.com](http://www.galleryunderground.com)

**Blue Cedar with Annika.** 8-10 p.m. at Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington, 4444 Arlington Blvd. Folk musician Michelle Lockey and Nathan Nasby share the stage with singer/songwriter Annika. Tickets are \$20, \$10 for students and seniors. Visit [www.stonerroomconcerts.com](http://www.stonerroomconcerts.com).

## SUNDAY/JUNE 28

**Pops for Pets.** 6 p.m. at Lubber Run Amphitheater, North Columbus and 2nd Street North. In partnership with the Animal Welfare League of Arlington, The Arlington Philharmonic will perform patriotic and contemporary music. \$20 suggested donation. Visit [www.arlingtonarts.org](http://www.arlingtonarts.org) or call 703-228-1850.

**Firefly Festival.** 7:30-9:30 p.m. at

Fort C.F. Smith Park, 2411 24th St. N. Play games, go on a scavenger hunt, make crafts, take a firefly walk and more. Admission is \$7. Visit [www.parks.arlingtonva.us](http://www.parks.arlingtonva.us) for more.

## MONDAY/JUNE 29

**Live music.** 9 p.m. at Galaxy Hut, 2711 Wilson Blvd. D.C. band DKvDK performs. Tickets are \$5. Visit [www.galaxyhut.com](http://www.galaxyhut.com).

## TUESDAY/JUNE 30

**Author Event.** 7 p.m. at Arlington Central Library Auditorium, 1015 N Quincy St. Author Cassandra A. Good will discuss the significant personal relationships between the "Founding Fathers" and "Founding Mothers" and some lesser-known men and

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women of the time. Good is associate editor of the Papers of James Monroe at the University of Mary Washington. Admission is free. See [www.library.arlingtonva.us](http://www.library.arlingtonva.us).

## THURSDAY/JULY 2

**Dinner And A Movie: “The Sandlot.”** 7:45 p.m. at Market Common Clarendon, 2700 Clarendon Blvd. A restaurant partner will provide food for a fixed price to accompany a movie screening. Popcorn, candy and water will be available as well. Price will vary. Visit [www.marketcommonclarendon.com](http://www.marketcommonclarendon.com).

## SATURDAY/JULY 4

**July 4 Celebration.** 5-10 p.m. at Long Bridge Park, 475 Long Bridge Drive. Find family games, social sports such as cornhole and bocce, a food truck rally with more than a dozen vendors, live music, and a view of Washington, D.C.’s fireworks display. Free. See [www.parks.arlingtonva.us](http://www.parks.arlingtonva.us) for more.

## SUNDAY-MONDAY/JULY 5-6

**Visit From Humanitarian.** 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. at Crystal Gateway Marriott, 1700 Jefferson Davis Highway. Humanitarian Mata Amritanandamayi visits to present inspirational music, meditation, spiritual discourse and blessings. Free. Visit [www.ammadc.org](http://www.ammadc.org).

## SUNDAY/JULY 5

**John Gilstrap Book Launch Party.** 2:30-3:30 p.m. at the Vienna Inn, 120 E Maple Ave., Vienna. Arlington’s One More Page Booksellers invite the public to join author John Gilstrap for the release party of his latest thriller “Against All Enemies.” Free. Visit [www.onemorepagebooks.com/events](http://www.onemorepagebooks.com/events) for more.

## MONDAY/JULY 6

**Live Music.** 9 p.m. at at Galaxy Hut, 2711 Wilson Blvd. Two-piece band draws influence from the B-52s. Tickets are \$5. Visit [www.galaxyhut.com](http://www.galaxyhut.com).

## WEDNESDAY/JULY 8

**Spanish Inspired Art Jam.** 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Jaleo, 2250 Crystal Drive. Paint Spanish-inspired art, eat and drink. Tickets are \$40-45 dollars. Visit [www.artjamzdc.com/crystal-city-artjamz-at-jaleo/](http://www.artjamzdc.com/crystal-city-artjamz-at-jaleo/) to purchase tickets.

## THURSDAY/JULY 9

**Dinner and a Movie: “The Wizard of Oz.”** 7:45 p.m. at Market Common Clarendon, 2700 Clarendon Blvd. A restaurant partner will provide food for a fixed price to accompany a movie screening. Popcorn, candy and water will be available as well. Price will vary. Visit [www.marketcommonclarendon.com](http://www.marketcommonclarendon.com).

## SATURDAY/JULY 11

**Opening Reception.** 6-9 p.m. at Arlington Arts Center, 3500 Wilson Blvd. Celebrate “PLAY,” an exhibition that examines games and play through the lens of contemporary art. Free. Visit <https://arlingtonartscenter.org/exhibitions/play> for more.

**Singles Dinner and Movie Night.** 5 p.m. at Rock Bottom Brewery, 4238 Wilson Blvd. Find prix fixe dinner and a movie at Ballston Regal 12 sponsored by New Beginnings, a support group for separated/divorced men and women. Tickets are \$30 at the door and includes dinner, soda, tip and movie ticket. Visit [www.newbeginningsusa.org](http://www.newbeginningsusa.org).

## JULY 11-AUG. 23

**“Screenshot” Exhibit.** Wednesday-Sunday, 12-5 p.m. at the Wyatt Resident Artists Gallery at Arlington Arts Center, 3500 Wilson Blvd. Roxana Alger Geffen’s “Screenshot” exhibit reflects an interest in the structure of domestic life and the schedules and patterns that order a life with small children. Geffen uses the graphics and content from the computer game Minecraft as a source of material and fodder for her solo exhibition. Free. Visit [www.arlingtonartscenter.org/studios](http://www.arlingtonartscenter.org/studios) for more.

## JULY 11-OCT. 11

**“PLAY: Tinker, Tech & Toy” Art Exhibit.** Wednesday-Sunday, 12-5 p.m. at the Arlington Arts Center, 3500 Wilson Blvd. “PLAY” is an exhibition that examines games and play through the lens of contemporary art. Free. Visit [www.arlingtonartscenter.org](http://www.arlingtonartscenter.org).

## SUNDAY/JULY 12

**Poetry Reading.** 6 p.m. at Iota Club & Cafe, 2832 Wilson Blvd. Bilingual poets Maritza Rivera and Yvette Neisser-Moreno will read their own work. Free. Visit [www.iotaclubandcafe.com](http://www.iotaclubandcafe.com).

## JULY 15-26

**Jane Franklin Dance for Capital Fringe.** Various times at The Cafritz Foundation Theater — Dance Place, 3225 8th St. NE, Washington, D.C. Arlington’s Jane Franklin Dance will perform “Niche,” based on the lives of an ordinary couple. Visit [www.capitalfringe.org](http://www.capitalfringe.org).

## JULY 15-AUG. 9

**“A Midsummer Night’s Dream.”** Wednesday–Saturday at 8 p.m.; 2 p.m. on Sundays at the Synetic Theater, 1800 S. Bell St. Synetic presents a playful adaptation of Shakespeare’s timeless comedy with a movement-based visual storytelling. Regular tickets start at \$35. Student tickets start at \$20. Visit [www.synetictheater.org](http://www.synetictheater.org).

## THURSDAY/JULY 16

**“A Love Affair with an Old House: The Ball-Sellers House Story.”** 7 p.m. at Arlington Central Library, 1015 N Quincy St. Martha Orth will recount stories about the house and the owners over 273 years of Arlington history, including the builder and his family on what was then the colonial American frontier. A question-and-answer session will follow. Free. Call 703-228-5990.

**UrbanArias.** 8 p.m. at Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave. Local contemporary opera company performs “Craig’s Listlied” which sets real Craigslist songs to music. Tickets are \$25. Visit [www.urbanarias.org](http://www.urbanarias.org) for more.

## FOOD & DRINK

**Fairlington Farmers Market.** Sundays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., April 19 through November 22.

Rain or shine, selling fresh produce, grass fed meats, eggs, coffee, pastries and baked goods, flowers and other prepared foods. Fairlington Community Center, 3308 S Stafford St. Visit [www.fairlingtonfarmersmarket.org](http://www.fairlingtonfarmersmarket.org) for more.

**Rosslyn Farmers Market and Concert.** 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Thursdays, May 29-Sept. 25, 1401 Wilson Blvd. The market offers fresh foods and goods from regional vendors including bread and pastries, farm-fresh and organic produce, herbs and spices, exotic teas and specialty coffees, gourmet baked goods, and marinades and sauces. Visit [www.rosslynva.org/do/rosslyn-farmers-market1](http://www.rosslynva.org/do/rosslyn-farmers-market1).

**Clarendon Farmers Market.** Year-round, has locally produced breads and pastries, organic vegetables, flowers, soap, sorbet and more. From April to December on Wednesdays from 3-7 p.m. at Clarendon Central Park, adjacent to the Clarendon Metro Station. The opening date has yet to be decided. Visit [www.Clarendon.org/farmersmarket](http://www.Clarendon.org/farmersmarket). Call 703-812-8881 or email [matt@clarendon.org](mailto:matt@clarendon.org).

**Arlington Farmers Market at Courthouse.** Adjacent to the Arlington County Courthouse Parking Lot, at the intersection of N. Courthouse Road and N. 14th Street. This is a ‘producer only’ market with more than 30 producers. From January through March, the market is open on Saturdays 9 a.m.-noon. Visit [www.arlingtonparks.us/farmersmarket/vendors](http://www.arlingtonparks.us/farmersmarket/vendors) for a list of vendors.

**The Crystal City FRESHFARM Market** is open April 7 to November 24 on Tuesdays, 3-7 p.m. with a selection of foods and goods from local producers, on Crystal Drive, between 18th and 20th Sts. Visit [www.freshfarmmarkets.org/farmers\\_markets/markets/crystal\\_city.php](http://www.freshfarmmarkets.org/farmers_markets/markets/crystal_city.php) for more.

**Arlington Mill Community Center Plaza.** Wednesdays, 3-7 p.m. at 909 S Dinwiddie St., Arlington. Open weekly. Visit [www.columbia-pike.org/?page\\_id=26](http://www.columbia-pike.org/?page_id=26) for more.

**Ballston Farmers Market.** Thursdays from May through October, 3-7 p.m. Welburn Square across from Ballston Metro. Visit [www.ballstonbid.com/meet/taste-arlington/farmers-market-info](http://www.ballstonbid.com/meet/taste-arlington/farmers-market-info) for a list of vendors.

**Westover Farmers Market.** Sundays 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. May through November, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. December through April. 1644 N McKinley Road, just north of Washington Blvd. More than 20 great vendors selling fresh produce, herbs, cut flowers, grass fed meats, dairy products, baked goods, and other prepared foods. Visit [www.westoverfarmersmarket.org](http://www.westoverfarmersmarket.org) for a list of vendors.

**Columbia Pike Farmers Market.** Every Sunday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Pike Park, in front of the Rite Aid store at the corner of Columbia Pike and S Walter Reed Dr. Visit [www.columbia-pike.org/fm/?page\\_id=11](http://www.columbia-pike.org/fm/?page_id=11) for a list of vendors and information on parking.

## FRIDAY/JULY 17

**Wine Tasting.** 6:30-7:30 p.m. at One More Page Books, 2200 N Westmoreland St. Free. Visit [www.onemorepagebooks.com/events](http://www.onemorepagebooks.com/events).

**Author Reading.** 7-8 p.m. at One More Page Books, 2200 N Westmoreland St. Author Beatriz Williams reads from her new novel “Tiny Little Thing.” Free. Visit [www.onemorepagebooks.com](http://www.onemorepagebooks.com).

## JULY 17-AUG. 8

**“Twelve Angry Men.”** Various times at The Gunston Arts Center, Theatre II, 2700 S Lang St. The American Century Theater will perform their adaptation of the play detailing the story of dissenting jury members in a murder trial. General admission tickets are \$26-29 and \$23 for students and seniors. Visit [www.americancentury.org](http://www.americancentury.org).

## SATURDAY/JULY 18

**DC BRGR Bash.** 12-6 p.m. at Gateway Park, 1300 Lee Highway. Sixteen local restaurants and three local breweries bring their goods for a day of live music and food. Tickets start at \$29. Visit [www.dcbgrbash.com](http://www.dcbgrbash.com).

## SUNDAY/JULY 19

**Paleo Author Event.** 2-3 p.m. at One More Page Books, 2200 N Westmoreland St. Stephanie Gaudreau, author of “The Paleo Athlete” shares information on how to enhance athletic performance through a paleo food approach.

Ciarra Hannah, author of “Frugal Paleo Cookbook” shares information on meal planning and budget approaches to healthy food. Free. Visit [www.onemorepagebooks.com](http://www.onemorepagebooks.com).

## THURSDAY/JULY 23

**Author Reading.** 7-8 p.m. at One Page Books, 2200 N Westmoreland St. Author Helaine Mario shares from her latest book “The Lost Concerto.” Free. Visit [www.onemorepagebooks.com](http://www.onemorepagebooks.com).

## MONDAY/JULY 27

**Holistic Health and Wellness Book Group.** 7-8 p.m. at One More Page Books, 2200 N Westmoreland St. Discuss holistic health and wellness. Free. Visit [www.onemorepagebooks.com](http://www.onemorepagebooks.com).

## MONDAY/JULY 27-31

**Fashion Fights Poverty Summer Fashion Camp.** 10 a.m.-4 p.m. daily at Arlington Costume Lab (inside Gunston Middle School), 2700 S Lang St. This is a five day fashion program that is centered around eco-ethical fashion principles for middle school and high school students who are interested in the fashion industry. Students will engage in activities designed to boost their self esteem and introduce them to fashion related areas such as styling, design, photography, etc. For registration information, send an email to [ycastro@fashionfightspoverty.org](mailto:ycastro@fashionfightspoverty.org).

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# HOME SALES

In May 2015, 288 Arlington homes sold between \$2,482,000-\$118,000.  
This week's list represents those homes sold in the \$2,482,000-\$695,000 range.  
For the complete list, visit [www.ConnectionNewspapers.com](http://www.ConnectionNewspapers.com)

Address .....	BR	FB	HB .....	Postal City...	Sold Price ...	Type .....	Lot AC	PostalCode .....	Subdivision
2745 RANDOLPH ST N .....	5	5	1	ARLINGTON	\$2,482,000	Detached	0.49	22207	DOVER
2613 24TH ST N .....	6	5	2	ARLINGTON	\$2,478,000	Detached	0.36	22207	WOODMONT
4513 37TH PL N .....	6	5	1	ARLINGTON	\$2,100,000	Detached	0.25	22207	COUNTRY CLUB HILLS
3413 RANDOLPH ST .....	6	5	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,909,000	Detached	0.23	22207	BROYHILL FOREST
3888 30TH ST N .....	5	4	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,805,700	Detached	0.24	22207	BELLEVUE FOREST
5908 35TH ST N .....	5	5	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,700,000	Detached	0.23	22207	WILLIAMSBURG VILLAGE
3400 VENICE ST N .....	5	4	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,690,000	Detached	0.27	22207	COUNTRY CLUB HILLS
3808 WOODSTOCK ST N .....	5	4	2	ARLINGTON	\$1,625,000	Detached	0.37	22207	COUNTRY CLUB HILLS
6017 28TH ST .....	5	4	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,610,000	Detached	0.21	22207	N/A
1309 HUDSON ST .....	5	4	0	ARLINGTON	\$1,602,100	Detached	0.13	22201	LYON VILLAGE
1517 EDISON ST N .....	5	4	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,549,900	Detached	0.15	22205	WOODLAWN/WAYCROFT
6319 35TH ST N .....	5	5	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,545,000	Detached	0.23	22213	MINOR HILL
3163 17TH ST N .....	4	4	0	ARLINGTON	\$1,525,000	Detached	0.17	22201	LYON VILLAGE
3310 OHIO ST N .....	4	3	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,475,000	Detached	0.68	22207	BERKSHIRE OAKWOOD
6617 LITTLE FALLS RD .....	5	4	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,450,000	Detached	0.24	22213	OAKWOOD
6815 30TH RD N .....	5	5	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,410,000	Detached	0.24	22213	N/A
4645 DITTMAR RD .....	6	5	0	ARLINGTON	\$1,348,000	Detached	0.27	22207	COUNTRY CLUB HILLS
3309 23RD RD N .....	6	4	0	ARLINGTON	\$1,312,500	Detached	0.24	22201	MAYWOOD
5510 19TH ST N .....	6	4	0	ARLINGTON	\$1,275,000	Detached	0.19	22205	LEEWAY HEIGHTS
6763 25TH ST N .....	5	4	0	ARLINGTON	\$1,275,000	Detached	0.34	22213	BERKSHIRE OAKWOOD
2219 QUANTICO ST .....	4	3	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,255,000	Detached	0.17	22205	OVERLEE KNOLLS
3611 POCOMOKE ST .....	4	5	0	ARLINGTON	\$1,250,000	Detached	0.23	22213	STONELEIGH
3207 19TH ST N .....	5	3	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,240,000	Detached	0.10	22201	LYON VILLAGE
430 JACKSON ST N .....	4	3	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,215,000	Detached	0.18	22201	ASHTON HEIGHTS
4864 33RD RD N .....	3	3	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,210,000	Detached	0.14	22207	COUNTRY CLUB MANORS
1540 COLONIAL TER .....	3	2	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,202,000	Townhouse	0.03	22209	HIGHGATE
4047 27TH RD N .....	4	3	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,200,000	Detached	0.57	22207	POTOMAC
531 24TH ST S .....	6	4	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,175,000	Detached	0.17	22202	ADDISON HEIGHTS
4019 CHESTERBROOK RD .....	4	4	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,150,000	Detached	0.23	22207	CHESTERBROOK
4243 VACATION LN .....	3	3	0	ARLINGTON	\$1,130,000	Detached	0.23	22207	LEE HEIGHTS
5018 YORKTOWN BLVD .....	6	4	1	ARLINGTON	\$1,100,000	Detached	0.33	22207	SHIRLEY WOODS
3840 TAZEWELL ST N .....	3	2	2	ARLINGTON	\$1,090,000	Townhouse	0.06	22207	THE GLEBE
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1306 EDISON ST .....	4	3	0	ARLINGTON	\$857,500	Detached	0.13	22205	WAYCROFT
410 HIGHLAND ST S .....	4	4	1	ARLINGTON	\$850,000	Detached	0.19	22204	ARLINGTON HEIGHTS
6725 27TH ST N .....	4	3	0	ARLINGTON	\$850,000	Detached	0.18	22213	HEATHER HEIGHTS
4342 HENDERSON RD N .....	3	3	2	ARLINGTON	\$835,000	Townhouse	0.03	22203	BUCKINGHAM COMMONS VILLAGE
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727 26TH ST S .....	3	2	1	ARLINGTON	\$775,000	Detached	0.15	22202	ARLINGTON RIDGE
445 GEORGE MASON DR N .....	3	3	1	ARLINGTON	\$775,000	Townhouse	0.02	22203	BUCKINGHAM COMMONS VILLAGE
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705 19TH ST S .....	3	2	0	ARLINGTON	\$770,000	Detached	0.14	22202	ADDISON HEIGHTS
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6559 28TH ST N .....	3	2	1	ARLINGTON	\$761,000	Detached	0.14	22213	SYCAMORE GARDENS
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# Wakefield High School Salutes Its 2015 Graduates



Students wait in the wings for the procession to begin.

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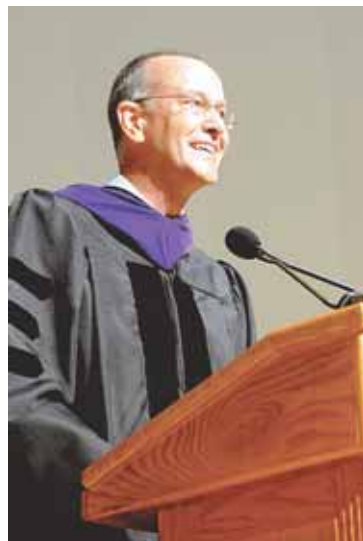
Senior class president Sara Najah talks with assistant principal Gordon Laurie.



Roxanne Borjas, her husband Franklin and son Sammy wait for family members outside Constitution Hall before the start of the Wakefield High School graduation on Thursday evening, June 18.



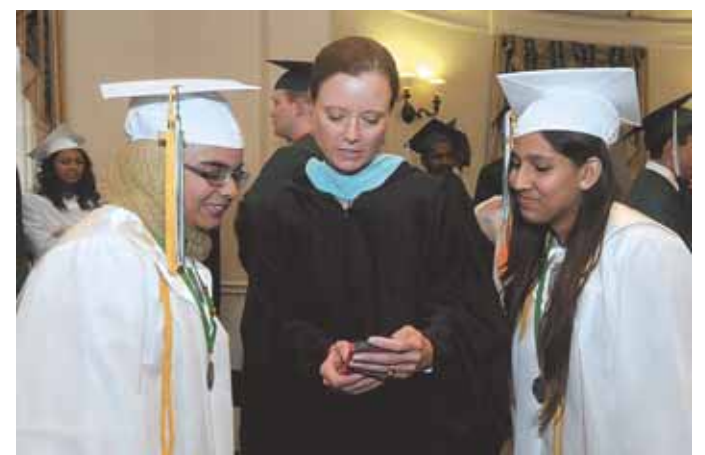
Carlos Varela poses for a photo with his family before graduation.



Faculty speaker Dr. Michael Megaree



Wakefield High School Principal Dr. Christian Willmore



Mahnoor Moien and Sidra Manzoor talk with English teacher Diana Dempsey.



Valedictorian speaker Eva Davis reflects on the past four years at Wakefield.



Jasmine and Alecia Bonner and Lamonie Robinson



Jada Parker and Kenneth Simpson



Taylor White and Nilofar Tokhi





Violinist Casey Spellman performs with the W-L Madrigal Singers directed by Theresa Severin.



Valedictorian Brandi Moore, senior class president Mackenzie Sturka, senior class vice president Maria Serfis and director of student activities Carol Calloway at Washington-Lee High School's graduation in D.A.R. Constitution Hall on June 18.

# Washington-Lee High Graduates Look to the Future



2015 Principal's Award recipients Adam Michalak and Hannah Walmsley.



Luis Santos-Molina is presented the 2015 O.U. Johansen Award for Educational Excellence by Principal Dr. Gregg Robertson.



Jonathan Yaw-Kwei Wilson is presented with the 2015 Marion D. Spraggins Award for Excellence in Service.



The 2015 W-L High School Generals' Way Award was presented to Jeffrey Kruger.



Charlotte Marie Hay also received a 2015 Generals' Way Award.



W-L principal Dr. Gregg Robertson



Maria Serfis is awarded the 2015 Dr. William J. Sharbaugh Award for Leadership Excellence.



Izzadean Salah Mirghani and his brother Shamsadean.



Arlington School Board member Dr. Emma Violand-Sanchez and commencement speaker Steven Brown.

Friends and family of the Class of 2015 stand and cheer and take photos as the graduates enter the hall.



Caitria Boomsma, Emily Bragaw and Ben Bohannon

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# SPORTS



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**The men's group officially starts the competition.**

## Air Force Association Cycling Classic

**The women's group participate in the Air Force Association Cycling Classic course in Crystal City on June 14. The course was marked off with cones, traffic signs and police presence. Supporters were on hand to encourage the participants, as well as provide water. The winner was Coryn Rivera.**

## SWIM NOTES

### Donaldson Run Thunderbolts

**T**he Donaldson Run Thunderbolts lost narrowly, by four points, to Hunter Mill in its first NVSL Division II meet of the season. Despite many impressive swims, several event sweeps and impressive relay wins, it wasn't enough to close the small gap.

Double individual race winners for Donaldson Run were (in order of age and event): Charlie Greenwood, boys 8&U breaststroke and butterfly; Rachel Conley, girls 8&U freestyle and butterfly; Jack Tsuchitani, boys 9-10 freestyle and butter-

fly; Emma Hutchison, girls 13-14 backstroke and butterfly; and Brian Meade, boys 15-18 freestyle and butterfly.

The team's single winners were: Coco Rigoli, girls 8&U backstroke; Eliza Gromada, girls 8&U breaststroke; Gracie Jansen, girls 9-10 breaststroke; Tony Cuellar, boys 13-14 backstroke; Audrey Engel, girls 13-14 butterfly (note: this was a tie with Emma Hutchison also on DR); Emily Brooks, girls 15-18 freestyle; Andrew Fleckenstein, boys 15-18 freestyle; and Andrew Walker, boys 15-18 breaststroke.

## BULLETIN BOARD

Email announcements to [arlington@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:arlington@connectionnewspapers.com). Include date, time, location, description and contact for event: phone, email and/or website. Deadline is Thursday at noon, at least two weeks before event.

### WEDNESDAY/JUNE 17

**Community Meeting.** 7 p.m. at Swanson Middle School Auditorium, 5800 Washington Blvd. The community is invited to attend a forum on interim options to address capacity issues at Swanson and Williamsburg Middle Schools between September 2016 to 2019. Visit <http://www.apsva.us//site/Default.aspx?PageID=30095> for more.

### THURSDAY/JUNE 18

**Managing Pests and Diseases in the Landscape.** 7-8:30 p.m. at Fairlington Community Center, 3308 S. Stafford St. Learn to control insects in your garden. Free. Visit [www.mgnv.org](http://www.mgnv.org) to register.

### SATURDAY/JUNE 21

**ZERO - The End of Prostate Cancer's Run/Walk.** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. at Pentagon Row Courtyard, 1101 Joyce St. A run/walk benefitting prostate cancer research will feature a 4 mile run/walk, 1 mile walk, 200 yard sprint for children, and a "Snooze for Dudes" program in which participants may support the program by sleeping in. Registration fee vary. Visit

[www.kintera.org](http://www.kintera.org).

### MONDAY-THURSDAY/JUNE 22-25

**Intelligence Education Conference.** Various times at Marymount University, 2807 N. Glebe Road. "Preparing the Next Generation of Intelligence Analysts to Confront a Changing World" will offer dual tracks: one exploring new methodologies to enhance the teaching of intelligence and the other looking at emerging challenges facing intelligence professionals. Cost is \$250 for members of International Association for Intelligence Education, \$400 for non-members and \$100 for students. Visit [www.iafie.org](http://www.iafie.org).

### TUESDAY/JUNE 23

**Leadership Arlington Event.** 7:30-9 a.m. at Marymount University, Caruthers Halls, Room 1021, 2807 N. Glebe Road. Leadership Arlington and Victor Hoskins, director of Arlington Economic Development, will connect to discuss the future of the community. \$25 for Leadership Arlington members, \$35 for the general public. Visit [www.leadershiparlington.org](http://www.leadershiparlington.org) for more.

**Volunteers Needed.** 3-5 p.m. at Buchanan Garden Apartments, 914 S Buchanan St. Arlington Partnership for Affordable Housing is seeking volunteers to help with a book drive for low-income families. Children will also be registering for a summer reading program. Visit [www.apah.org](http://www.apah.org).

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Yorktown Competes At 7on7 University Bulldog Classic

The Yorktown football program had two teams compete on June 21 at the 7on7 University Bulldog Classic at Westfield High School.

The Patriots' primary group went 1-2 during pool play and outscored opponents 56-51. Yorktown No. 2 went 3-0 during pool play, outscoring opponents 39-23.

John Champe won the single-elimination tournament and qualified for the 7on7 University National Championship Tournament on July 10 and 11 at Oakton High School. Chantilly, Lake Braddock and Oakton also qualified for the national tournament.

### Field Hockey Camps

The Academy International Coaches will be running field hockey camps this summer in the following locations at Herndon High School, Annandale High School, Yorktown High School and Long Bridge Park in Arlington. Beginners to advanced players welcome. For dates and times go to [www.academyinternational.net](http://www.academyinternational.net) or call 1-888-529-3827.

### Register for Senior Olympics

The 2015 NVSO competition will take place Sept. 12-25 at 23 venues throughout Northern Virginia. Events include track and field, rowing, swimming, diving, tennis, table tennis, pickleball, racquetball, handball, bocce, golf, miniature golf, ten pin bowling, Wii bowling, eight ball pool, nine ball pool, horseshoes, men's basketball, men's and women's basketball free throw and field goals, Frisbee throw, football throw, bunco, badminton, volleyball, cycling, scrabble, cribbage, duplicate bridge, softball hit and throw, Mexican Train dominoes. Mah Jongg, 5K road race, cornhole toss and yo-yo tricks. Registration forms are available at senior centers, community centers and senior residences or by calling 703-228-4721. Participants can register online at [www.nvso.us](http://www.nvso.us) after July 1. Registration fee is \$12 which covers multiple events. There is no onsite registration.

### Marymount Hosts Boys' Lacrosse Camp

Marymount University is hosting a series of lacrosse camps for boys ages 6 to 15. There will be a day camp Monday-Friday, July 13-17, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. and again Monday-Friday, July 20-24. Cost is \$310. Lunch is included for the day camps.

Campers will have access to all of Marymount University's Division III varsity athletic facilities. Rental equipment is available for \$35 a week but does not include sticks.

Contact [jreynolds@marymount.edu](mailto:jreynolds@marymount.edu).

## Gone But Always Remembered

By KENNETH B. LOURIE



As Father's Day approaches, (written Thursday, June 18th) I am reminded of one of my father's standard lines which characterize his positive attitude on life, for which I am eternally grateful – because I inherited it. My father would say that every morning that he woke up was a good day. Ultimately, my father would die a few months past his 87th birthday, having lived longer than either of his parents and his seven siblings. A child of the Depression, born in 1919, he spent his formative years not playing Little League baseball as I did, but rather selling newspapers and hot dogs at Fenway Park in Boston. Upon his return home, his mother would hold out her apron, into which my father would pour his day's earnings. At that time, life was not so much an adventure as it was finding a job/way to make money so the family could eat. His mother/my grandmother worked for a caterer, and at the end of her day, she would bring home remnants of her day's/evening's work: food that was discarded before the meal (chicken wings were not so highly regarded then as they are now.) My father/the Lourie family ate chicken wings often. And throughout his life, my father was happiest when eating chicken wings. The experience did not weaken him; it seemed to make him stronger and more grateful for what good fortune fell upon him later in life. In fact, all he ever wanted in life – aside from the obvious things, was "a hot meal and clean sheets." His upbringing and the hardships he endured seemed to simplify his life.

Another story he would tell – with a smile – was concerning the bathroom in the tenement building where he lived with his nine other family members: it was down the hall, outside of the apartment in which he lived. There was no toilet paper; toilet paper cost money, money which they didn't have. There were, however, catalogues (Sears, Montgomery Ward, etc.) that were mailed and thus were free. Tenants would cut the pages into squares and hang them in the bathroom on a nail convenient to the commode. My father never complained about this; they were too poor to complain. Occasionally though, staples were not removed from all the squares. Unfortunately, my father, like many other residents I'm sure, found out a bit too late. I imagine there was some pain and suffering, but my father always laughed when he told this story, as much for others' benefit no doubt as it was for his.

And so too do I try to make people laugh when I am asked to share my cancer stories. I do this because my father always found the humor in things. And before I realized what I was doing and/or why I was doing it, it became clear that unbeknownst to me, I had been following a family tradition and one I am most proud to be continuing. This is not to say that being diagnosed with "terminal" cancer is a wonderful opportunity to find humor and attempt to make people laugh. Nevertheless, I'm not going to be negative. After all, I am my father's son. Of that I'm positive.

One of the other things I'm super-positive about was how helpful my father would have been had he lived to see me diagnosed with cancer. He would have been my biggest booster, my 24-7 support staff, my unwavering source of encouragement, my inspiration, my up whenever I was down; a man anyone would be lucky to call dad; although I actually called him "Beez," the nickname given to him by his fellow knothole gang members (Benet was his given name). Whatever good fortune I'm able to experience going forward though, I'll do so with gratitude and the acknowledgment that none of it would have happened without having had the father I did and hearing about the life he led. Thanks for everything, "Beez." I'll see you Sunday.

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



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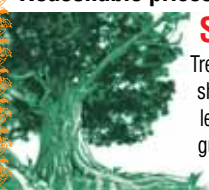
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date of the first of two required  
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800-552-3200.

**ABC LICENSE**  
Best Value Petroleum, Inc  
trading as Best Value Petrole-  
um, 5630 Lee Hwy, Arlington,  
VA 22207. The above estab-  
lishment is applying to the  
VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF  
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE  
CONTROL (ABC) for a Wine  
and Beer Off Premises license  
to sell or manufacture alcohol-  
ic beverages. Arpit Sethi,  
President  
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submitted to ABC no later than  
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### PUBLIC NOTICE

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TANK SITE

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The CAPA will be submitted to the Northern Regional Office of  
the DEQ on June 17, 2015. If you would like to review or dis-  
cuss the proposed CAPA with the staff of the DEQ, please feel  
free to contact Joseph Glassman (Joseph.Glassman@deq.vir-  
ginia.gov) at (703) 583-3808 after the date of the  
CAPA submittal. The DEQ Northern Regional Office will con-  
sider written comments regarding the CAPA until July 17,  
2015. Written comments should be sent to the DEQ at the ad-  
dress listed below. The DEQ requests that all written com-  
ments reference the tracking number for this case; PC# 2009-  
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Department of Environmental Quality  
Storage Tank Program  
13901 Crown Court  
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**ABC LICENSE**  
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ca Eats Tavern, 1700 Tysons  
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PARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC)  
for a Mixed Beverage Caterer  
license to sell or manufacture  
alcoholic beverages. Robert  
Wilder, Vice Chairman/Share-  
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**ABC LICENSE**  
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trading as Chase the  
Submarine, 132 Church St,  
NW Unit A, Vienna, VA 22180.  
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applying to the VIRGINIA  
DEPARTMENT OF  
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE  
CONTROL (ABC) for a Wine  
and Beer On and Off Prem-  
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or manufacture alcoholic  
beverages. Timothy Ma,  
member  
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Any person wishing to comment on this application may file his or her comments in writing with the Regional Director of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation at its regional office located at Millennium in Midtown, 10 Tenth Street NE; Suite 800, Atlanta, GA 30309-3906. Comments by interested parties must be received by the appropriate regional director within 15 days following the date of the last newspaper publication. The nonconfidential portions of the application are on file in the regional office and are available for public inspection during regular business hours. Photocopies of the nonconfidential portion of the application file will be made available upon request.

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**NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEES' SALE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY HUNTER MILL WEST, L.C.**  
LOCATED AT  
10736 SUNSET HILLS ROAD, RESTON, VIRGINIA  
SALE TO BE HELD AT THE FAIRFAX COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

July 2, 2015, AT 4:00 P.M.

In execution of a certain Credit Line Deed of Trust and Security Agreement dated November 19, 2008, and recorded November 20, 2008 in Deed Book 20183 at Page 0376 among the land records of Fairfax County, Virginia (the "Deed of Trust"), made by HUNTER MILL WEST, L.C., a Virginia limited liability company, now securing CATJEN LLC, a Virginia limited liability company (the "Noteholder"), default having occurred in the payment of the debt secured thereby, and being instructed to do so by the Noteholder, the undersigned Substitute Trustees, will offer for sale the property described below at public auction by the main entrance to the Fairfax County Circuit Court, located at 4110 Chain Bridge Rd, Fairfax, VA 22030 on July 2, 2015, beginning at 4:00 p.m. The public auction for the sale of the property previously scheduled for June 18, 2015 was continued to July 2, 2015.

The real property encumbered by the Deed of Trust that will be offered for sale by the Substitute Trustees is commonly known as 10736 Sunset Hills Road (Tax Identification Number: 0183-02-0004) located in Reston, Fairfax County, Virginia, as more particularly described in the Deed of Trust, and all improvements, fixtures, easements and appurtenances thereto (the "Property").

**TERMS OF SALE**  
ALL CASH. The Property will be offered for sale "AS IS, WHERE IS" and will be conveyed by Substitute Trustees' Deed (the "Substitute Trustees' Deed") subject to all encumbrances, rights, reservations, rights of first refusal, conveyances, conditions, easements, restrictions, and all recorded and unrecorded liens, if any, having priority over and being superior to the Deed of Trust, as they may lawfully affect the Property.

The Substitute Trustees and the Beneficiary disclaim all warranties of any kind, either express or implied for the Property, including without limitation, any warranty relating to the zoning, condition of the soil, extent of construction, materials, habitability, environmental condition, compliance with applicable laws, fitness for a particular purpose and merchantability. The risk of loss or damage to the Property shall be borne by the successful bidder from and after the date and time of the sale. Obtaining possession of the Property shall be the sole responsibility of the successful bidder (the "Purchaser").

A bidder's deposit of \$150,000.00 (the "Deposit") by certified or cashier's check shall be required by the Substitute Trustees for such bid to be accepted. The Substitute Trustees reserve the right to prequalify any bidder prior to the sale and/or waive the requirement of the Deposit. Immediately after the sale, the successful bidder shall execute and deliver a memorandum of sale with the Substitute Trustees, copies of which shall be available for inspection immediately prior to the sale, and shall deliver to the Substitute Trustees the Deposit and the memo-

randum of sale. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid by the Purchaser. Settlement shall occur within thirty (30) days after the sale date, TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE with regard to the Purchaser's obligation.

Settlement shall take place at the offices of Venable LLP, 8010 Towers Crescent Drive, Suite 300, Tysons Corner, Virginia 22182 or other mutually agreed location. Purchaser shall also pay all past due real estate taxes, rollback taxes, water rents, water permit renewal fees (if any) or other municipal liens, charges and assessments, together with penalties and interest due thereon. The Purchaser shall also pay all settlement fees, title examination charges, title charges and title insurance premiums, all recording costs (including the state grantor's tax and all state and county recordation fees, clerk's filing fees, congestion relief fees and transfer fees and taxes), auctioneer's fees and/or bid premiums, and reasonable attorneys' fees and disbursements incurred in the preparation of the deed of conveyance and other settlement documentation.

The Purchaser shall be required to sign an agreement at settlement waiving any cause of action Purchaser may have against the Substitute Trustees, and/or the Beneficiary for any condition with respect to the Property that may not be in compliance with any federal, state or local law, regulation or ruling including, without limitation, any law, regulation and ruling relating to environmental contamination or hazardous wastes. Such agreement shall also provide that if notwithstanding such agreement, a court of competent jurisdiction should permit such a claim to be made, such agreement shall serve as the overwhelming primary factor in any equitable apportionment of response costs or other liability. Nothing herein shall release, waive or preclude any claims the Purchaser may have against any person in possession or control of the Property.

If any Purchaser fails for any reason to complete settlement as provided above, the Deposit shall be forfeited and applied to the costs of the sale, including Trustees' fees, and the balance, if any, shall be delivered to the Beneficiary to be applied by the Beneficiary against the indebtedness secured by and other amounts due under the Deed of Trust in accordance with the Deed of Trust or applicable law or otherwise as the Beneficiary shall elect. There shall be no refunds. Such forfeiture shall not limit any rights or remedies of the Substitute Trustees or the Beneficiary with respect to any such default. If the Property is resold, such re-sale shall be at the risk and the cost of the defaulting bidder, and the defaulting bidder shall be liable for any deficiency between its bid and the successful bid at the re-sale as well as the costs of conducting such re-sale. Immediately upon conveyance by the Substitute Trustees of the Property, all duties, liabilities and obligations of the Substitute Trustees, if any, with respect to the Property so conveyed shall be extinguished, except as otherwise provided by applicable law.

Henry F. Brandenstein, Jr., Substitute Trustee  
Patrick W. Lincoln, Substitute Trustee  
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Henry F. Brandenstein, Jr., Esq.  
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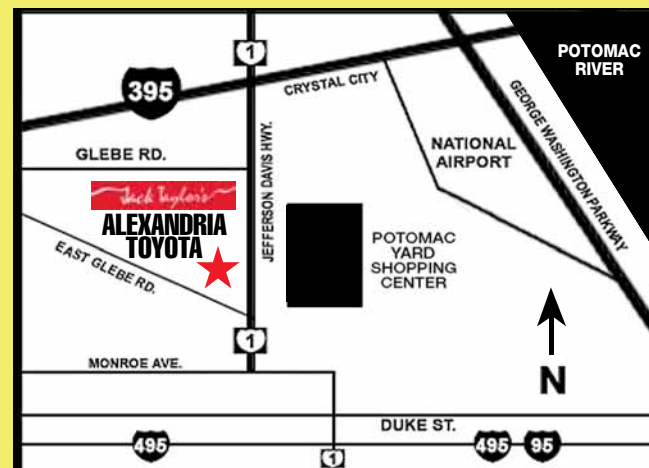


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