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City's Democrats Face Civil War

Euille officially announces write-in campaign.

By Vernon Miles
Gazette Packet

"Though wise men at their end know dark is right, Because their words had forked no lightning they Do not go gentle into that good night."

hen Mayor William
Euille officially announced his pursuit
of a write-in campaign for reelection at a Sept. 7 rally,
he referred to the Dylan Thomas
poem about a man who believes his
work is unfulfilled.

"This city is worth fighting for," said Euille. "I was born and raised here, and I will not go quietly into the night."

Euille said the primary issue that drove him back into the campaign was development, specifically a concern that Silberberg could undo the economic progress made by successes like the National Science Foundation and the Transportation Security Administration's arrival in Alexandria. Though unspoken at the event, one of the major divides between Euille and Silberberg in City Council chambers and in the primary was the development and implementation of the Alexandria Waterfront Plan.



Mayor William Euille addresses the crowd at Waterfront Park on Sunday, Sept. 7.

"These [successes] don't just happen by accident, we have to work for that," said Euille. "It's teamwork. It's collaborative. It's government. It's all about leadership. It's all about making certain that Alexandria continues to move forward."

After the incumbent mayor lost the Democratic primary in June to Vice Mayor Allison Silberberg, rumors began circulating about a write-in campaign, with a Twitter account for the idea launching almost immediately after the primary. Euille's response had been muted, neither confirming nor denying his

intent until the Waterfront event on Sunday

At the event, several notable Alexandria Democrats defected from the party. Silberberg's surprising victory in the primary was largely a result of opposition factions cobbled together against what was seen as unnecessary development. The first members of Euille's counter-coalition began to emerge at his write-in announcement. Bill Harris, who has served on the Alexandria Commission on Aging, Senior Services board of directors, and the Alexandria Af-

fordable Housing Advisory Committee, criticized Silberberg for her support of neighbors against the expansion of the Woodbine Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center.

"Mayor Euille has led our city through difficult times while expanding our economic base, and ensuring that seniors in the city not only have a voice, but have the services they needed," said Harris. "I can't say the same for the Democratic candidate for mayor. She's been a naysayer on the council against many important projects, but particularly some important to seniors."

Lonnie Rich, formerly a member of the City Council from 1991 to 2000 and a former chair of the Alexandria Democratic Committee, publicly resigned from the Democratic Committee in support of Euille.

"One concern about Allison is that she lacks experience and is not ready," said Rich. "She's only served on council for two years and has had minimal community experience before that. She's not been involved long enough to understand the budget and the fiscal complexities of the city. More significantly, her views on fiscal issues and growth suggests a lack of understanding and balance. She always seems to be in the mode of keeping everything exactly as it is. I believe she is seriously misguided in believ

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Hauling Trouble Carr Hospitality faces criticism over trucks in Old Town.



Hauling trucks without using their covers is a violation of hauling regulations.

By Vernon Miles Gazette Packet

he jackhammers are loud, but Old Town residents can yell even louder. After years of fighting against the development of Carr Hospitality's Indigo Hotel by residents of Alexandria's Waterfront, there was little reason to think the opposition would suddenly quiet with construction underway. Representatives from Carr spoke at a special meeting of the Waterfront Commission on Sept. 8 specifically to address the concerns of local residents.

Austin Flajser, representing Carr on the Waterfront Commission, laid out the timeline for building development. 220 S. Union has been completely demolished. The jackhammer noises and vibrations local residents have reported to the city are part of the disposal of the concrete slab at the building's base, a process that began on Thursday, Sept. 3.

Between Sept. 7 and 11, Flajser said slab removal will continue, as will work on electrical utilities on

South Union and Duke streets. Between Sept. 14 and 18, Flajser said utility work will continue while the 210 Strant St. warehouse is demolished.

Flajser noted that these activities would be less disruptive than the jackhammers breaking up the slab, though since complaints about noise began before demoli

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The South Won't Rise Again

Council votes for further restrictions on Confederate flags.

By Vernon MILES
GAZETE PACKET

here are at least 33 streets in Alexandria clearly named after Confederate military leaders, but potentially twice that many that may be related but without a clear historical record. With more than 236 street signs in Alexandria bearing the names of Confederate military leaders, not including those to Confederate President Jefferson Davis (ie. Jefferson Davis Highway), it's pretty clear that sorting through the city's Confederate history isn't going to be easy.

Over the summer, the council requested that staff research into the possibility of removing, relocating, or renaming Confederate iconography in the city. Staff reported back at the Sept. 8 City Council meeting: The cost of renaming the city streets would

total \$270,000, an idea many on the council quickly dismissed as infeasible. The discussion quickly honed in on smaller pieces of the Confederate puzzle: the Appomattox Statue on Prince Street, the renaming of Jefferson Davis Highway, and the flying of Confederate flags from city buildings and on city streets.

The Appomattox statue, approved by the City Council in 1888, is protected by legislation passed in 1890 by the General Assembly that requires the statue to remain, permanently, at its present location. The statue is also protected by Virginia code 15.2-1812, which prohibits the removal of memorials or monuments related to any war involving the United States.

Any movement of the statue would require legislation from the General Assembly

While similarly protected at a statewide level, the renaming of Jefferson Davis Highway was more tenable. Named in 1922 in honor of the president of the Confederate States of America, the road goes by several names throughout the state.

While many localities in Virginia cannot officially rename the road, Alexandria has

a special charter that allows it to alter the names of all roads within the city, including the stretch of the Jefferson Davis Highway that passes through the city. The road was named River Road until council changed the name to Jefferson Davis highway in 1953. Changing the name would cost between \$15,000 and \$50,000 depending on whether the replacement name was the same length.

The one notable change made at the City Council meeting specifically targeted the Confederate flag.

According to City Attorney James Banks, there is a substantial amount of leeway given to the city on flags flown from government buildings, but less on what is flown on city streets. Banks advised that, in the interest of protecting the city from potential allegations of freedom of speech violations, the city specifically limit flag flying to the national, state, and city flags. However, with the prospect of this keeping the city from flying the flags of visiting dignitaries, the council instead voted specifically to prohibit the flying of the Confederate flag on General Lee's Birthday, Jan. 19, and Confederate Memorial Day, May 24.



The Appomattox statue at the intersection of Prince and Washington streets.

Giant Opens in Potomac Yard New store replaces Monroe Avenue location, which is now closed.

By Jeanne Theismann Gazette Packet

he location is new but be prepared to see many familiar faces at the Potomac Yard Giant grocery store, which opened for business Sept. 4.

"A lot of us came over from the Monroe Avenue store," said Yvonne Haggins, a 13-year employee of the Landover, Md.-based food chain. "The new store is fabulous and I like being able to see my old customers here."

Located at 621 East Glebe Road, the new store replaces the Giant store in Del Ray at 425 East Monroe Ave. store, which is now closed

At 57,716-square-feet, the Potomac Yard location is three times larger than the East Monroe store and features a pharmacy and Starbucks café. Approximately 150 associates are employed at the new location, including John White, who has been with the retailer for 29 years.

"I came from Annandale to do my grocery shopping here," said White's wife Jessie LeCount-White while shopping Sept. 8. "The store is really incredible — so clean and bright. I love it."

Features of the new store include a newly designed market-style produce section offering a fresh-cut fruit and vegetable preparation center and smoothie bar and large organic produce display. The store also has a full-service deli department with an expanded offering of products, including a service case with Boars Head premium meats and cheeses, a sandwich service center, an assortment of hot foods, a salad bar



Giant associate Yvonne Haggins, left, helps Jessie LeCount-White select grapes from the fresh produce section of the new Giant grocery store in Potomac Yard.

and a gourmet cheese island.

Also available is "Order It," a deli kiosk where customers can digitally place deli orders and continue shopping while their deli order is filled. In addition, the seafood department features a selection of fresh and frozen seafood along with a live lobster tank and sushi freshly prepared by Giant's inhouse sushi chef.

An expanded bakery section is located adjacent to the Starbucks café and includes fresh baked products and new muffin cart, bagel bin and bread bar. More than 100 offerings of natural and organic foods, including Giant's own Nature's Promise products

as well as many gluten-free offerings are also available. In addition, an expanded international section includes a selection of Kosher, Hispanic, Italian, Irish and Asian goods.

The store also stocks a selection of domestic and international wines as well as an assortment of beer, including craft, domestic and imported. Customers will also find fresh flowers and custom arrangements created by Giant's specially trained florists in the floral department.

A full-service pharmacy is on site and complimentary Wi-Fi is available at the store's Starbuck's Café.

Giant

The new Potomac Yard Giant grocery store opened Sept. 4 and replaces the Del Ray store on Monroe Avenue.

Underground parking is available and is accessible from the parking garage entrance at 2900 Main Line Blvd.

Giant at Potomac Yard also offers shoppers the use of "Scan It!" a hand-held device which allows customers to scan and bag their groceries while they shop to allow for speedier checkout. In addition, the store will include nine mainline registers along with 10 self-checkout centers. A PNC Bank will also be onsite.

"I don't just work in Alexandria, I live here," Haggins said. "This is my neighborhood so it's especially nice to get to know my new neighbors."

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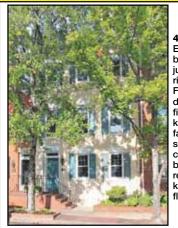


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News

Alexandria Gets Inked

Final approval rests with council.

By Vernon Miles
Gazette Packet

wenty years ago, James Marlowe said it wouldn't be possible, but by the end of the year Old Town may have its first tattoo parlor. Pending City Council approval on Sept. 12, 1314 King St. could be home to a second location for Marlowe Ink. The plans were approved at the Sept. 1 Planning Commission meeting, where members of the commission expressed their support for the proposal and more than a little confusion at the classification of the business.

"I was surprised that we have to regulate this as an amusement enterprise," said Commission member Nathan Macek, "I think that's an outdated notion of what this business entails."

Marlowe says he's no stranger to facing outdated notions of his craft, frequently battling stereotypes of tattoo parlors as drunken party spots.

"This is a safe place," said Marlowe. "There's an old preconception of drinking and partying: we don't have that here. It's quiet, and it's focused on the art — it's a real job."

It's not hard to see where the image comes from. Accessing the current location on Main Street in Fairfax requires passing down a series of long, dimly lit hallways.

But inside the shop, Marlowe Ink is a professional operation. That's the side of the industry that Marlowe hopes to show Old Town.

"We are really serious about bringing a high quality of art and tattoo art," said Marlowe. "Old Town is artistic, but people are very serious about it, and I look forward to that."

Marlowe has owned the Fairfax location since 2001, and since then he says he learned a lot about how to run a business and how not to. He approached the store as someone who is passionate about art and tattooing, and said there were bumps along the way in learning the business side of operations.

Expanding operations into Old Town isn't going to be easy, but looking at the regional view of tattoo shops, Marlowe said it stood out as the one spot without coverage.

"In Alexandria, you have to bring your A-game, and that's very exciting," said Marlowe. He's uncertain to how receptive Old Town residents will be, but he says so far the reaction has been positive. The sentiments on the Planning Commission seemed to echo that view.

"I believe [this] will make a wonderful addition to the community," said Planning Commission chair Mary Lyman.

If all goes according to plan, the business will include a manager, two licensed tattoo artists, a rotating guest and a body piercer. If Marlowe gets his approval at the Saturday public hearing, Marlowe says he hopes to have the store opening by late October or early November, specifically targeting a Halloween opening.



James Marlowe in his Fairfax tattoo parlor: Marlowe Ink.

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PEOPLE

Helping Customers Be Successful

BY SHIRLEY RUHE
GAZETTE PACKET

spurt of water cascades over pots of lenten roses as Scott Sutherland walks down the rows of plants at Greenstreet Gardens on King Street. He says, "There is lots of watering to be done, once or twice a day depending on the plant and the size of the pot. That lettuce right over there could probably use a dunk." He passes by lacy astilbe, another shade plant. "These can take a while to take hold and grow large."

Sutherland usually works the late shift coming in at 11 a.m. or 1 p.m. and working until the nursery closes at 7 p.m. He says the flow of customers is hard

PEOPLE

At Work

to predict mid-week but there is usually a bump around lunchtime and again after work from 5-7 p.m. And landscapers are in and out all day long. Sutherland points to a tall tree-like

plant with large pinkish ball blossoms. It is a hydrangea but, "when they trim up like that, they are called standard." He spots a woman wandering over by the evergreens and heads over to help her and answer her questions. She is looking for an evergreen of some kind to plant in large pots by the front door. "How much sun do you get? Half a day? Maybe four hours?" They decide on boxwoods, and he pulls out several plants for her to inspect. She tilts her head and walks around, finally choosing two plants that seem to match. "I'll check you out," Sutherland said, "and maybe even load you. I'm full service." He hands her the receipt announcing, "You have 254 points of free money to use next time."

Sutherland heads back outside to continue watering and passes by Ricky Camacho, also armed with a large green hose and watering in another aisle. "Ricky has been working here the longest of anyone, for over 20 years since this was the Apple House." Sutherland has been working at Greenstreet since mid-March. He completed a master gardener's course last year since leaving his "real job in politics downtown." He said he had worked in the White House for two Presidents and then been a lobbyist as head of Governmental Affairs for Ducks Unlimited.

Kerry Sprinks is pushing a stroller while two-year old Daphne piles rocks into her new lavender watering bucket tucked in the back of the wagon full of pansies. They are looking for assistance in choosing soil. Sutherland jokes, "Dirt and water is what we do." He compares two organic soils for her, one garden soil with more peat moss and spongy and the other garden soil that you don't have to water as much, "I have it myself." Sprinks stretches her arms to describe her three planters, and they decide on a



Kerry Sprinks and her daughter Daphne have filled a wagon full of pansies to put in planters for the fall season. Scott Sutherland tells her that if the pot is large enough they could go dormant and come back in the spring.



Scott Sutherland begins the mid-afternoon watering at Greenstreet Gardens on King Street. He says the plants get watered at least once a day and sometimes twice depending on the plant and the size of the pot.

cubic foot of soil. Sprinks asks if her pansies will last all fall and he answers if they are in a big enough pot, they will go dormant and come back with a stronger root system in the spring. "Sounds good to me."

He says, "A lot of what I do is help people be successful." As Sprinks is checking out, Sutherland asks if Daphne can have a l-o-l-l-i-p-o-p, spelling it out but not fooling Daphne.

The nursery is open all year round and in the winter people come to buy indoor plants. Sutherland said they have a huge Christmas business with trees, wreaths and poinsettias. "I think December is the biggest month of the year." He said the nursery grows most of its bedding from seed and recently he saw at least 1,000 poinsettias in the greenhouse getting ready for Christmas.

Although Sutherland has been at the nursery for only six months, he says he has been gardening since he started with his grandma in Alaska when he was 10-years-old. "We grew a lot of cold weather stuff like broccoli, cauliflower and radishes and with the really long days, things grew well. It was a different kind of gardening." Now he participates in a cooperative garden in Arlington and has a large garden at home with a lot of native plants such as milkweed known to attract butterflies. "I saw a lot of Monarchs and Admirals before I came to work today." He says he used to be a customer at the nursery "which is a family-run friendly place." One day after he retired he just came in and asked if they needed people and, "the rest is history."



Ricky Camacho, the longest employee at Greenstreet Gardens is watering plants. Camacho has been working at the nursery for 20 years, even when it was the former Apple House.



Tom
Calhoun
with his
grandchildren:
Ashleigh
Pickeral
and Patrick
Yowell.

Celebrating 35 Years At Farmers' Market

By Gerald A. Fill Gazette Packet

om Calhoun first opened his Calhoun Hams/Meat Market in 1980 at the Alexandria Farmers' Market at Market Square in Old Town. It continues as a mainstay of the Saturday market to-

He opened his original Calhoun's Ham House and Meat Market in Culpepper in 1963. "At one time or another, just about everyone in our family has worked at the Alexandria Farmers' Market," said Tom Calhoun. "My daughter Tracy Preziosi currently runs the business. She began working in our business at the age of 14. My granddaughter, Ashleigh Pickeral, manages the Alexandria Farmers' Market portion of our business. Tracy and I are already training the next generation of great-grands: Baileigh, Gavyn, Shannon, and Payton, on the value of hard work and good customer ser-

Preziosi said, "I love the business; the product; and the people I come in contact with. It also gives me the flexibility to be closely involved with my children and family whenever I want or need to be."

Calhoun responded to questions about his business:

Q: How do you cure your hams?

Calhoun: "Our selected lean and fresh hams are rubbed with salt, pepper, and sugar twice in the first eight weeks and then hung and aged over a period of 6 to 12 months. I learned how to cure hams at my uncle's farm in Tennessee. I have spent all of my adult life except for three years in the Marine Corps in the ham and meat business."

Q: How long have you operated a stand at the Alexandria Farmers' Market?

Calhoun: "My wife Laurie started selling our hams there in 1980. After graduating from

Details

Tom Calhoun, 83

Born in Washington, D.C., moved to Alexandria, and then to Culpepper

Married to Laurie Brown Children: Tracy, Terry, Tommy, Steven, David, Joey, Jerry

Father, Aubrey Calhoun, served as a D.C. firefighter. He was killed in an auto accident at the age of 46 crossing the 14th Street Bridge while on the way to a fire. His mother, Eliza, was left to raise six children.

Military: U.S. Marine Corps; Ko-

Military: U.S. Marine Corps; Ko rean combat service.

George Mason University she pursued a social work career and turned over the Alexandria business to our children and now the grandchildren. The Alexandria Farmers' Market has truly been a family affair and very special to all of us."

Q: What unique or special customers buy hams from you?

Calhoun: "Well, all of our customers are unique and special. Some have been buying hams from us for many years. We have customers who once shopped with their parents as children coming to visit us when they return for high school or family reunions or holidays. Some of our celebrity customers include the Inn at Little Washington restaurant; the TV personality Willard Scott; and for the past three Presidential Administrations (Bush, Clinton, Obama) the White House chefs regularly ordered hams from us.'

Q: What is the secret to your business success over these many years?

Calhoun: "Hard work. No secret there; just always be there when we are needed and stand behind our products. The loyalty to our products and customers displayed by all of my family is what has made this a very special experience for me. I am very proud that the next generation is already stepping up to carry out the Calhoun Hams quality tradition."

Tom Calhoun Hams: 540-825-8319 or 877-825-8319. See www.calhounhams.com

OBITUARY

Nancy K. Beavers

ancy K. Beavers, 63, of Alexandria, died at INOVA Alexandria Hospital on Aug. 30, 2015. She was born in 1952 to the late Raymond Boothe Sr. and Mallie Conner Boothe.

Nancy loved selling Mary Kay Cosmetics and was an avid fan of the Washington Redskins.

Including her parents she is preceded in death by her sister, Mary Jo Orme.

She is survived by her loving husband of 46 years, Thomas Beavers; her two sons, Brian Beavers and Thomas Beavers Jr. and his

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OPINION

Focusing on Suicide Prevention

Help is a phone call away.

his week is Suicide Prevention Week. Preventing suicide means paying attention to mental health and treating depression, and there is no better time to focus on that than the first week of school.

In 2013, more than 41,000 people ended their own lives in the United States, more than 21,000 with firearms. (Compare to the number of murders in 2013, 16,120.) In 2013, more than

800,000 people were treated in U.S. emergency departments for self-inflicted injuries. More than a million adults report making a suicide attempt each year, while many more people struggle with thoughts of suicide, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Preven-

Suicide is the 10th leading cause of death for Americans overall and the second leading cause of death among adolescents and young adults aged 15-29. More than half of suicides involve firearms.

In 2013, 1,047 Virginians died by suicide,

with white males accounting for 716 of those deaths. The Southside region had the highest suicide rate at 19.3 per 100,000 in 2013, while the Northern region had the lowest rate at 10.1 deaths. (By comparison, there were 383 homicides in Virginia in 2013.)

Two groups particularly at risk are youth and the elderly. Data from the Virginia Department of Health indicates that rates of suicide in Virginia were higher for older people than youth - but suicide is a leading cause of death for young people.

One strategy to prevent suicide is to learn about the warning signs of suicide, which can include individuals talking about wanting to hurt themselves,

increasing substance use, and having changes in their mood, diet, or sleeping patterns, according to the CDC. When these warning signs appear, quickly connecting the person to supportive services is critical. Promoting opportunities and settings that strengthen connections among people, families, and communities is another suicide prevention goal.

Exhibiting any of the signs listed below is reason for an immediate call to the National Suicide Prevention hotline at 1-800-273-8255 (TALK). If you cannot reach someone on this line, go to an emergency room, make sure you

or your loved one is not alone until professional help arrives and remove all firearms, sharp objects, drugs, alcohol and other things that could be used in a suicide attempt.

- * Talking about wanting to die or kill one-
- ❖ Talking or writing about suicide or death.
- ❖ Talking about feeling hopeless or having no reason to live.
- * Talking about being a burden to others and how the world would be better off without him/her.
- * Talking about being trapped or in unbearable pain.
- Complete withdrawal.
- Showing rage or talking about seeking re-
- Displaying extreme mood swings and acting recklessly.
- ❖ Looking for ways to kill oneself, such as searching online or obtaining access to firearms, pills, or other means to kill oneself.
- Giving away prized possessions and other personal things; tying up loose ends.

See http://www.afsp.org/understandingsuicide/facts-and-figures

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Two Different Sets of Rules?

To the Editor:

We write in full support of the Parker Gray Board of Architectural Review's denial of the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority (ARHA) request to demolish Ramsey Homes and urge City

Council to deny ARHA's appeal. Ramsey Homes contributes to the scale, character, and livability of the neighborhood and should be preserved and rehabilitated.

EDITORIAL

The Parker Gray local historic district was created specifically to protect neighborhood housing from development. This is evidenced by then-Vice Mayor Ticer's 1984 statement that the district's

establishment "would give the neighborhood protection from development anticipated around the Braddock Road Metro station."

The 2008 Braddock Metro Small Area Plan similarly emphasizes the importance of maintaining the scale and character of the neighborhood — particularly those blocks that fall within the Parker Gray historic district.

Council should be under no illusion that the West Old Town Citizens Association supports some sort of "compromise" that includes a tear down and dense three-story buildings as a replacement. This is not our position.

Ramsey Homes provide much needed green space in the neighborhood. In fact, the green space at Ramsey Homes is the last remaining large swath of green space in Parker-Gray's eastern quadrant and constitutes an important public benefit. Given the city has yet to deliver on the commitment that it made to the community in the Braddock Metro Small Area Plan to provide a 1.5 acre park, it is unacceptable to ask the neighborhood to give up limited remaining green space when the city has yet to live up to its obligations.

The Parker-Gray BAR unanimously voted in April that Ramsey Homes meets four of six criteria for preservation.

ARHA argues that it is too expensive to rehabilitate the 15 units currently at Ramsay Homes. However, ARHA has owned the property for well over 50 years, and its maintenance of the property has been substandard. A list of upgrades that ARHA argues the units need, obtained through a FOIA request, reveal a pattern of longterm neglect. ARHA's poor track

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Civic Involvement Secret weapon for veteran rointegration

veteran reintegration.

By John D. Sims USA (Ret.)

'm proud to say that my life is centered around helping veterans reconnect to their community. When I retired from the Army just 18 months ago, I had no understanding of civilian life or how my family and I would reintegrate into a civilian community or connect to our chosen home of Alexan-

dria. Having enlisted in the Army when I was 18 years old, and now COMMENTARY 30-plus years of military service later, joining a civilian commu-

nity wasn't dissimilar from deploying to foreign countries like Iraq, Afghanistan or Kosovo. Just as I prepared for those tours, I did research, met community leaders and learned about this "civilian world" that would become my new life. At the same time, I was hired for the perfect position at the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) where I help transitioning military like me learn how to navigate the job market. I would often tell transitioning vets to get involved in their community, but wasn't sure exactly how to do that.

A few months ago, an Alexandria Army veteran and mentor of mine asked me to help manage his campaign for City Council. I was an unlikely choice as I knew nothing about politics or running a campaign, we are of different political parties and I don't live in the City of Alexandria so I can't even vote for him. What I did know was the intellect and quality of the man. Combined with my belief that Alexandria is too small for partisanship and to important not to have the best leaders, I agreed.

What has completely surprised me, and what I now believe is the secret weapon in veteran reintegration, is that by becoming involved in your community through committees, neighborhood associations or supporting the democratic process, veterans can more quickly and effectively reintegrate into civilian life. In the past two months, I've learned more about local issues affecting citizens and met more welcoming people than I had met in the past two years of living in Alexandria. I also feel I am making a meaningful difference in "my" community, which gives me an important sense of purpose. The message is that the process of getting involved in local issues, whether neighborhood, precinct, city or regional is the perfect way for veterans to reintegrate.

Where the challenge remains is that involvement in the democratic process (some say "politics") is unnatural for most veterans. Our military culture is to be nonpartisan and outside the body politic. Ironically, while our military serve in our nation's cloth to protect the freedoms of democracy, veterans involvement often doesn't go much beyond voting. What I've learned is that it's not about party or politics, but about policies and issues that affect people's lives.

To change the cultures that create separation between veterans and citizens will take time. It will also take leaders like my Army mentor and many of you to invite veterans to get involved.

Though I remain underqualified for my task to help in his campaign, I am grateful to be given the secret weapon of involvement to help me reintegrate into Alexandria.



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record on maintaining its properties is well known. The parade of horrors ARHA paints with photos showing how dilapidated the housing is - and by implication the attempt to paint opponents of demolition as heartless - needs to be dismissed outright. These conditions did not develop overnight.

ARHA's neglect is not an acceptable excuse for demolition. The city formerly maintained a Blighted Properties list and went after those (mostly private) owners who did not keep their houses up. Even today, no single family homeowners would be able to let their properties slide into such disrepair and then argue before the BAR that they should be permitted to demolish because it would be too expensive to remediate the neglect.

The neighborhood will no longer tolerate one set of rules for ARHA and another set for single family homeowners. ARHA's lack of maintenance of its property is not a justification for destroying buildings that the city itself identified as a contributing structure to the Uptown/Parker Gray listing on the National Register of Historic Places. Unless City Council is prepared to grant every private

homeowner in Parker Gray the same latitude to tear down their historic homes when they find it financially beneficial to do so, then it must deny ARHA's appeal.

West Old Town Citizens Association Executive Board

> Leslie Zupan, Heidi Ford, Donna Reuss, and **Peter Prahar**

Enormous Challenges

To the Editor:

Since high school at T.C. Williams, Bob Wood has demonstrated the many qualities of leadership, high moral character, positive interactions with people and competency in all endeavors.

Our city would be served well with his abilities in this time of rapid expansion and redevelopment. We especially need people on the council who will listen to citizens and process information with clarity, expertise and good faith.

All who live in the City of Alexandria are drawn to its rich history and unique style. Our people have an attitude of caring for others and fostering quiet and friendly communities. This needs to be retained and enhanced. At

Importance of Senior Planning

BY CHRIS WRIGHT, ESQ. Alexandria Bar Association

"The only thing that is constant is change." — Heraclitus

amilies change. People get married. Some people stay married and some people do not. Children are born. If everything goes as planned, our children will grow into able and responsible adults, move out and form a family of their own, and maybe have grandchildren (the human kind — no disrespect to our furry four-legged companions). Sometimes, for several different reasons, grandparents raise grandchildren.

Studies abound on the types of changes that families will go through over the course of person's lifetime. There are statistics on divorce and remarriage. There are statistics on death. Recent statistics suggest, for example, that 100 percent of us will eventually die. Families will change again.

Our society has laws that can profoundly affect our family as we go through these changes. I believe it is very important for families to be familiar

to both thrive and live within a realistic budget, make prudent decisions about growth and spending, while considering the voice of our citizens. This means decisions that will not burden our children with excessive taxes to relieve city

with these laws. In some instances, if families had done planning in advance, the impact of change minimized and might even be to our benefit.

On Saturday, Oct. 17,, from 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Senior Services of Alexandria and the Alexandria Bar Association will host the fifth annual Senior Law Day

event at First Baptist Church, 2932 King Street, Alexandria. This free event is open to the public. Come hear local experts, including attorneys and financial advisors, discuss family changes such as marriage, divorce, custody, death and dying. This is a great opportunity to receive valuable information.

To register for Senior Law Day online, go to www.seniorservicesalex.org or call Senior Services at 703-836-4414, ext 110. A light breakfast will be served and there is ample parking.

Importance Of Heritage

To the Editor:

I have lived in Alexandria for 26 years. Alexandria is my home town and I love it because of its heritage. The Parker Gray historic dis

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OPINION

Mr. Write-in Bolts His Party

BY HARRY M. COVERT

ot since 1961 has a write-in Alexandria City Council candidate managed a victory. That person was a beloved community, political and business leader Frank Mann. He died at 86 in 2007.

Bill Euille is in his $12^{\rm th}$ year as mayor and has been a faithful and strong member and supporter of city

COVERT Democrats. His blessing has always been sought in party maneuvers.

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Hizzoner in this year of political surprises has pulled off a stunner. He has bolted his party to which he has been faithful for years. His good leadership has been recognized. In various campaigns he has been challenged to no avail.

In June, city Democratic primary voters had a three-way choice for the mayor's seat. The mayor faced challenges from former mayor Kerry Donley, and Vice Mayor Allison Silberberg.

To the utter shock and surprise of political watchers, the vice mayor won the nomination. Ms. Silberberg earned her council seat three years ago with the largest number of votes. The result was the vice mayorship for the 52-year-old.

Her triumphant election did send shocks throughout what has been called the "good old boys." She has conducted herself with quiet charm and action.

Following the June primary and her 312-vote victory, the city's partisan landscape began to change.

Euille just smiled and kept on his routine of being everywhere and running the show, especially in political events.

When the loyal party primary voters spoke, Ms. Silberberg's win was nicely and whisper-like congratulated. Mr. Euille was quoted as saying, "I will not go quietly into the night." He didn't.

He naturally denied having anything to do with it but a twitter address began this way, "write-in Euille." He has nice friends and the online site has been extremely busy pumping out the hoopla.

The task for the mayor is a difficult one. Democratic Party insiders are distressed by the write-in effort. The current candidates want to focus on their bids for council seats in the November election.

The questions? How to educate city voters to cast write-ins? Mr. Euille's name won't be on the ballot. His campaign workers must be schooled in their door-to-door crusade throughout the city. Sample write-in ballots suddenly take on a new character.

To combat the supporters of Vice Mayor Silberberg, Mr. Donley and Lonnie Rich, former party leader and council member, are resigning, I mean "taking a leave," from the city party to campaign for Euille and raise campaign coffers.

What happens now? The mayoral race will be quite different from the past. This is more than a catfight. The mayor's job is part time and pays \$30,500. The vice mayor and council members, also part time, earn \$27,500. It's not about the money.

From now until Election Day, the mayor's race will certainly be fun to watch. Council members seeking re-election won't be in the limelight. This time the opposition party, GOP members, have a chance for some success.

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OPINION

SOL Success at TC and Patrick Henry

By Karen Graf Chairman, Alexandria School Board

he school year has started and the staff is ready for a new year. But more good news is rolling in from last school year. T.C. Williams High School and Patrick Henry Elementary School will both be Fully Accredited in 2015-16. While ACPS will not have

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confirmation about the accreditation status of other schools until the end of October, the

news also looks to be better all round for them too.

Last year, T.C. Williams was warned in mathematics. This year they met accreditation status by improving math eight percentage points in the Virginia Standards of Learning (SOL). Math is improving across the district and T.C. Williams was no exception, but the future is brighter still because the math program at the elementary



school has also changed. This means that lessons learned at elementary school and reinforced at middle school will already be second nature in the future by the time students reach TC. The alignment

from elementary to high school is going to continue to strengthen all disciplines.

Accreditation involves having schools achieve SOL pass rates of 75 percent in language arts and 70 percent in math, history and science. T.C. Williams achieved 86 percent in English, 72 percent in math, 79 percent in history and 76 percent in science in this year's SOLs.

ACPS has high expectations for student learning and academic achievement. This ethic translates to staff and is creating pride

in the system and the work. The school division is on its way and there is statistical evidence of that in our growth numbers. In the past there had not been consistent signs of improving instruction.

Some of the strongest statistical growth comes out of Patrick Henry.

For the past two years, Patrick Henry has been Accredited with Warning. Since I have been on the board, Patrick Henry has struggled and saw many different leaders and teachers. For three years, the school has retained the same principal, Ingrid Bynum.

In the past two years, Patrick Henry increased performance by an average of 20 percentage points across all four content areas. This year Patrick Henry achieved 79 percent in English, 78 percent in math, 86 percent in history and 78 percent in science in this year's SOLs. They have also earned their way out of being a focus school.

Patrick Henry Elementary has established a school culture that is built on the motto "work hard to get smart" and they have continued to build solid relationships with the students.

Alexandria City Public Schools saw indisputable growth in this year's SOL pass rates in all four core disciplines at all of its schools. During the past year, ACPS strengthened instructional practices, increased teacher training to focus on specific student needs and frequently analyzed individual student performance. This summer Superintendent Alvin L. Crawley worked with the staff to strengthen special education instruction and practices, to train teachers and leaderships and to hire qualified professionals. Data helps us discover if ACPS has set the right course and whether the efforts are helping to move to schools in the right direction.

Alexandria citizens, the school division is in the pursuit of academic excellence. Are you ready for this? ACPS is ready. Based on this year's growth and the summer preparation, I am feeling confident that next summer will produce great growth too.

The Power of Collective Impact

By Tammy L. Mann, Ph.D.
President & CEO, The Campagna Center
Chairman, Children Youth and Families
Collaborative Commission

s Alexandria welcomes in the start of a new school year, this new beginning also provides an opportunity to remind us that a child's success in school and life is inextricably linked to what happens inside and outside of the school building.

For a child to reach their full potential,

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many actors must embrace and be prepared to play their respective roles to reach this de-

sired outcome.

At a very basic level, parents must attend to the material, emotional and physical needs of their children. Schools must employ educators who are skilled at tailoring instruction to meet the diverse learning needs of the many different children who enter their classrooms. The community must have resources and supports to help parents and schools when there are gaps and unmet needs if every child is to succeed.

An extensive body of knowledge documents that the interaction among actors in these systems — family, school, and community — will either support or undermine our ability to foster positive outcomes for children.

Alexandria is on a path to make sure that every child succeeds today and tomorrow. This is the vision as stated in the Children and Youth Master Plan (CYMP), developed by the Children Youth and Families Collaborative Commission with extensive input from hundreds of stakeholders, including



the voices of our youth. The plan, adopted last year by City Council and the Alexandria City School Board, represents a blueprint that aims to align and integrate services and supports to meet the needs of

children from birth through 21. When the Alexandria City Public Schools created its 2020 Strategic Plan, there were intentional efforts to ensure that it aligned with relevant elements of the CYMP. When the city Department of Community and Human Services awarded grants to invest in several organizations dedicated to supporting children, youth and families, there was alignment with the goals and strategies reflected in the CYMP.

The plan has been very instrumental in shaping current activities of the Early Care and Education Work Group (ECEW), convened by ACT and supported by the Bruhn-Morris Foundation and other donors, to build a stronger system of early care and education in Alexandria.

The ECEW has made great progress, publishing a resource for parents that makes it easy to understand where they can access high quality free and low cost preschool education in Alexandria. Early childhood educators across several organizations, including our schools, are also participating in joint professional development activities over the course of the next three years to enhance the quality of early learning experiences in these environments. There is momentum building around the power of

collective impact as a framework to help us achieve our goals.

We know that there are gaps that we have to bridge if we are going to realize that bold vision of having every child succeed today and tomorrow. We know that while some are succeeding, too many are falling through the cracks. The Campagna Center is prepared do her part to inspire action and help support this movement of working towards shared community goals. Our 70-year history of success is deeply rooted in the power of partnerships and working with others. We know that we do not do this work alone

As nonprofit organizations prepare for the start of another school year, there are things you can do to join them in working towards our city's vision for children and youth. You can invest your time, talents or treasures in organizations that align with your interests to help them continue to have impact. They all likely have websites with information about how you can support their efforts. You can use the search term "children and youth master plan" on the city's website to find a copy of the plan if you are reading about it for the first time.

If you are interested in the work of the Children Youth and Families Collaborative Commission, you can complete an application to serve as vacancies on the commission emerge. To learn about vacancies, use the search term "boards and commissions" to quickly locate the link on the City of Alexandria's homepage or contact the City Clerk's office.

There are countless ways to get involved to help more children and youth succeed because we know when they do not, everyone, those with and without children, pays the price.

LETTERS

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trict nomination and the Braddock Metro Small Area Plan emphasized the importance of protecting the historic fabric of this neighborhood. These actions clearly recognize the need to preserve its overall identity and architectural coherence. They support our city's goal for historic preservation.

In 1781 the current site of the Ramsey Homes was part of a huge encampment along the Washington-Rochambeau National Historic Trail. In 1940 President Roosevelt signed into law the "Lanham Act," providing federal funds to build low-income housing for defense workers.

The Ramsey Homes were built with the "Lanham Act" monies. The project was designed by Alexandria architect and architectural historian Delos H. Smith. The local firm of Smith, Werner, and Billings, with offices on King Street, was selected to work for the housing authority to build these important war-time housing units. Sanborn maps describe the site as "a project constructed specifically for African Americans." The housing of African American junior officers marks one milestone on the path to the Army's desegregation in 1948.

This property has been listed as a contributing resource to the Uptown/Parker-Gray National Register Historic District and remains the oldest extant public housing in Parker-Gray neighborhood. Historic preservation and historic districts have relevance in Alexandria and can only enhance the initiative by the Visit Alexandria tourism agency to promote African American heritage tourism. ARHA's request for demolition of this site will destroy of a key part of our neighborhood's architectural, historic, and cultural heritage. May City Council remain wise and deny the request.

Charlotte Landis
Alexandria
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Open House Sunday 2-4pm Mount Vernon Terrace 9221 Patton Blvd, Alexandria VA Gorgeous reconstruction w/ Potomac River views & a boat ramp! Craftsman-style architecture, 2 main level bedrooms, 2-car garage, 2 staircases, gourmet kitchen, porch, patio & deck. \$1,195,000 Jeanne Atkins MLS # FX8731063



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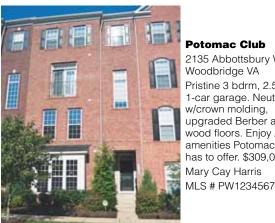
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4 Scenes From Alexandria's Restaurant Week

Annual summertime deal allows diners to taste eateries' menus at a fraction of the price.

BY HOPE NELSON

very year near the end of summer, Alexandria's Restaurant Week offers diners a prix fixe menu at some of the city's best restaurants for a great price — generally, \$35 per person or per couple depending on the establishment. Here are some of the standouts from this summer's selections — and some notes on what to try the next time you visit.

Cheesetique, 2411 Mt. Vernon Ave.

You can feel the festive vibe before you even darken the door of this wine-and-cheese shop and restaurant in the heart of Del Ray. Whether you sit outside — which,

in nice weather, can warrant a bit of wait, but it's worth it — or in one of the several indoor dining rooms, you're in for a treat.

Cheesetique's Restaurant Week menu gave diners the choice of three selections for a shared cheese board, plus eight entrée options and one dessert (chocolate mousse). The number of tantalizing items on the menu may mean your server will have to come back a couple of times before you're ready, but take all the time you need — this is a big decision. The grilled pimento sandwich offers up a refreshed take on the Southern delicacy, and served with a side of greens, it seems almost virtuous. The mac-n-Cheesetique is also a favorite.

Vermilion, 1120 King St.

If you've been waiting for a chance to hit up this gorgeously apportioned restaurant but always felt the prices were a little rich for the blood, Restaurant Week proves to be a great chance to give Vermilion a test drive. With ample selections to welcome any palate — both carnivores and vegetarians are at home with their menu - this Restaurant Week experience successfully caters to all. The menu presented three options for each course, all of which are worthy of attention. But if you're looking to send your meal over the top, you could do worse than the shrimp and grits, penne pasta, and Vermilion's famous poppyseed fritters (which, one server assured several diners,





stays on the regular menu at all times).

Vermilion's tasting menu also paired cocktails, beer, and wine with each course. But if you're looking to order off the main menu, be sure to give the Old Man and the Sea (christened with Old Bay syrup) or, if you're feeling extra-adventurous, the Will You Return (which features green pea puree) a try.

Del Ray Café, 205 E. Howell Ave.

Visiting the Del Ray Café, situated half a block off the main artery of Del Ray, is like coming home. Indeed, the restaurant has put down roots in what used to be a house,

ed cock-ner menu was in full effect, and diners were rse. But the richer for it.

The chilled red pepper and melon soup could change the mind of any cold-soup doubter; the flavors were alternatively spicy and sweet. For an entrée, the hanger steak was hearty and tender, while the red beet risotto provided an ample pop of color to the table. For dessert, you can't go wrong with the vanilla bread pudding.

Teaism, 682 N. St. Asaph St.

Tucked away in a corner of the Saul Cen-



Clockwise from bottom left: Salmon crepes start the meal off right at the Del Ray Café; The udon noodle salad proves to be a delicious first course at Teaism; The poppyseed fritters are a mainstay on Vermilion's dessert menu.

ter, across the driveway from Trader Joe's, Teaism is a beacon of calm. The warm dining area — low lighting, a blend of traditional tables and upholstered, low-sitting stools — exudes restoration, and the food certainly helps diners along the path to enlightenment.

Teaism sported a robust Restaurant Week menu, offering some of the eatery's best appetizers, entrees, and desserts for only \$17.50 per person. One perennial favorite is the udon noodle salad, a mix of vegetables, udon noodles, a hard-boiled egg, and some tempura "croutons" that is as light and airy as it is hearty and filling. For an entrée, the South Indian vegetable curry is complex, flavorful, and spicy enough to wake you up. And for dessert, don't miss the coconut rice pudding — it's one of the best sweets on their menu.

Hope Nelson owns and operates The Kitchen Recessionista blog, which can be found at www.kitchenrecessionista.com.

Calendar

Email announcements to gazette@connectionnewspapers.com. Include date, time, location, description and contact for event: phone, email and/or website. Photos and artwork welcome. Deadline is Thursday at noon, at least two weeks before event

ONGOING

International Guild of Realism
10th Annual International
Juried Exhibition. Through Sept.
18, during gallery hours at Principle
Gallery, 208 King St. The Guild is
dedicated to the advancement of
realism in fine art. Admission to the
gallery is free. Visit
www.principlegallery.com/
alexandria for more.

Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery Juried Show: "What I Did On My Summer Vacation." Through Oct

Summer Vacation." Through Oct. 18, 10-5 p.m. daily, 10-9 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month. Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St., Studio 18. View summer vacation-themed artwork. Admission is free. Visit www.Potomacfiberartsgallery.com.

"Seven Deadlies." Through Oct. 31, Fridays 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturdays 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at The Gallery @ Convergence, 1801 N. Quaker Lane. Sculptor Karen Swenholt explores lust, sloth, greed, gluttony, wrath, envy, and pride. Free. Visit www.convergence.org for more.Baseball Boat to Nationals Park. Through Sept. 26 at various times. Leaves from the Alexandria

Marina, 1 Cameron St. Baseball fans can avoid heavy traffic and cruise along the Potomac to Nationals Park. Tickets are \$20 one-way and \$25 round-trip, Monday-Thursday, \$28 roundtrip Friday-Sunday. Visit www.potomacriverboatco.com.

Fred Eberhart Photography
Exhibit. 10 a.m.- 5 p.m. through
Sept. at Broadway Gallery, 5641-B
General Washington Drive.
Photographer Fred Eberhart focuses
on local Virginia landscapes. Free.
Visit www.broadwaygalleries.net.

Doggy Happy Hour. Tuesdays through Oct. at 5-8 p.m. at Jackson 20, 480 King St. Enjoy discounted drinks and treats with one's dog. Free. Visit www.jackson20.com.

Water Taxi to the National Mall.
Through Nov. 1, at various times at

Alexandria Marina, 1 Cameron St. Cruise from Old Town to D.C. on the *Miss Sophie*, while stopping view some of the area's most popular attractions. Tickets are \$28 roundtrip and \$14 one-way for adults. For children under 12, tickets are \$16 roundtrip and \$8 one-way. Visit www.potomacriverboatco.com/.

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Young at Art Juried Art Show.

Through Nov. 20, Monday-Friday, 5-10 p.m. at Durant Arts Center, 1605 Cameron St. Artists 55 and older can contribute their artwork for the exhibition. On Thursday, Aug. 20, artists can bring their work to the Durant Center from 10 a.m.-noon to be registered and displayed. Artists must fill out a Entry and Artist/Lender Agreement and pay an entry fee of \$20 for up to three works of

art, \$5 for any additional pieces. Entry forms can be found at www.seniorservicesalex.org or by calling Mary Lee Anderson at 703-836-4414, extension 111.

Mount Vernon in 3-D: Then & Now. Through Nov. 20 during regular operating hours at George Washington's Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Highway. Visitors will have the chance to travel back in time, and in 3-D, to see how the estate appeared more than 100 years ago through a special photography exhibition. The exhibition is included in the regular admission fee of \$17 for adults, \$16 for seniors, \$9 for youth and free for childre younger than 5. To view the historic stereoview images as well as the modern 3-D anaglyphs, visit

www.ConnectionNewspapers.com

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www.mountvernon.org/3D.

"Not-So-Modern" Jazz Quartet

Performance. Thursdays through Dec. 31, 7:30-10 p.m. at St. Elmo's Coffee Pub, 2300 Mount Vernon Ave. Not So Modern Jazz Music plays music from the glory days of traditional jazz, including tunes from traditional Dixieland and the Swing era. Free. Visit

www.stelmoscoffeepub.com for more.

"Ancient Art of Movement."

Beginning Sept. 17. at 1 p.m. at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road. Carmen Shippy, retired professional dancer, teaches the Ancient Art of Movement in a series designed for those ages 50 and above. Movements are designed to strengthen core muscles and increase flexibility. Adjustments will be made for those with physical limitations. First lesson in the series is free for non-center members. To continue lessons, a yearly membership to all Senior Center programs is \$48. Call 703-765-4573 to sign up.

Flamenco Show. Wednesdays and Thursdays, 7:30-8:30 p.m. at La Tasca, 607 King St. Watch dancers and guitarists perform traditional flamenco. Free to attend. Call 703-299-9810 or visit www.latascausa.com

French Movie Night. Every Thursday, 7 p.m. in the back room of Fontaine Caffe & Creperie, 119 S. Royal St. View a French film. Free, no reservation necessary. Call 703-535-8151 or visit www.fontainecaffe.com/

reviews.html.

Journey to Be Free: Alexandria **Freedmen's Cemetery.** Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Alexandria Black History Museum, 902 Wythe St. A new exhibit tracing the 150year history of the long-forgotten Freedmen's Cemetery, its rediscovery and how the new Contrabands and Freedmen's Cemetery Memorial was

created at the site. Call 703-746-Their Fates Intertwined: The Lees of Alexandria in the War of **1812.** Wednesday- Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, 1-4 p.m. Lee-Fendall House and Gardens, 614

Oronoco St. A new exhibit on the experiences of the Lee family in Alexandria during the War of 1812 examines the contributions of Alexandria's citizens during the conflict that led to the writing of our national anthem through the lives of this iconic Virginia family. Visit www.leefendallhouse.org or call 703-548-1789.

Alexandria Cars & Coffee invites car enthusiasts to meet for coffee at Hollin Hall Shopping Center in front of Roseina's, 1307 Shenandoah Road. Owners of classic cars, hot rods. exotic cars, motorcycles and more meet to share car stories and drink

coffee. Group meets the first Sunday

of every month. 8:30-11 a.m. **Fifty Years of Collecting**. Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sundays 12-5 p.m. Fort Ward Museum, 4301 W. Braddock Road. An anniversary exhibit of objects from the Fort Ward collection. Free. Visit www.fortward.org or call 703-746-

Dinner for the Washingtons. 12 p.m. at George Washington's Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway. A walking tour that goes behind the scenes to find out how food was prepared and served before the era of microwaves and TV dinners. \$5 in addition to estate admission. Visit

www.mountvernon.org for more. Second Thursday Music.

Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. 7 pm. Second Thursday of every month. Visit nvfaa.org to view concert calendar and listen to upcoming Second Thursday Music artists.

The Monday Morning Birdwalk takes place weekly, rain or shine (except during electrical storms, strong winds, or icy trails), at 7 a.m. (8 a.m. November through March), is free, requires no reservation and is open to all. Birders meet in the parking lot at the park's entrance at 3701 Lockheed Blvd. Direct questions to Park staff during normal business hours at 703-768-2525.

Art for Life. Third Thursday of every month. 4:30-7:30 p.m. at Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. Hyatt Regency Crystal City has partnered will the National Kidney Foundation for a program highlighting a different artist each month for a year.

Civil War Sundays. 1-5 p.m. at Alexandria Archaeology Museum, 105 North Union St., #327. Learn more about the Civil War as it occurred in Alexandria. Find dioramas, newspaper articles and more. Free. Visit www.alexandriaarchaeology.org.

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Photography Workshop. 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. at Multiple Exposures Gallery on 105 N. Union St. Photographers and enthusiasts of all skill levels are invited to share work, ideas, and questions at this free workshop held on the last Sunday of each month, except December. No reservations. Call 703-683-2205.

Community Dance. 7:30-9:30 p.m. every third Friday at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road. Live music. Tickets are \$4. Call 703-765-4573.

Life Drawing. Del Ray Artisans offers a range of open life drawing sessions for anyone to develop life-drawing skills further. Drop-in for the session and bring supplies to draw or paint our live models. Fee ranges from \$8-\$12. All skill levels are welcome. Del

Ray Artisans is located at 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Visit www.TheDelRayArtisans.org for a schedule

Community Yoga. Wednesdays 9:30-10:30 a.m. and Sundays 7:30-8:45 p.m. at 532YOGA, 532 N. Washington St. Suite 100. No experience required to participate in weekly community class. Suggested \$10 donation. Visit www.532yoga.com.

THURSDAY-SUNDAY/SEPT. 10-OCT. 18

"Angel Soldier Dance Sublime." 10 a.m.-6 p.m. at the Target Gallery Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. View work exploring femininity and masculinity by female artists from Maine's Blue Hill Peninsula. Free. Visit torpedofactory.org.

THURSDAY-SUNDAY/SEPT. 10-OCT. 25

Athenaeum Invitational

Exhibition. During gallery hours at the Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Works inspired by the song "Don't Fence Me In." by Cole Porter, will be on display. Free. Visit nvfaa.org.

THURSDAY/SEPT. 10

Second Thursday Art Night:

Sharpen Your Pencils. 6-9 p.m. at The Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. Personalize your own art journal and leave a sketch in the six notebooks scattered around the building for a community sketching project. Free. Visit

www.torpedofactory.org.
Second Thursday Live: Rhythm and Roots Experience. 7 p.m. at the Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. This performance will feature West African music. Admission is \$15. Visit nvfaa.org.

SEPT. 10-OCT. 5

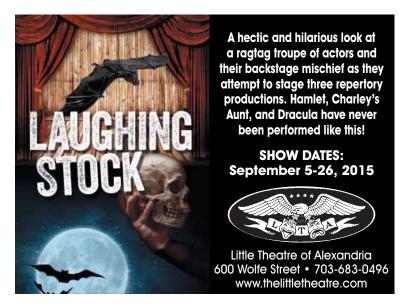
"The Ring of Fire." Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Saturday; Thursday 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; 12-6 p.m. Sunday at The Art League Gallery, 105 N. Union St. Indonesian American artist Wijati Soemantoro expresses her emotional response to the natural disasters she experienced while growing up in the most seismically active zone in the world, the Pacific Ring of Fire. Free. Visit www.theartleague.org.

FRIDAY/SEPT. 11

SPARK Health and Fitness

Festival. 4-8 p.m. at John Carlyle Park, 300 John Carlyle St. Hosted by SPARK Physiotherapy, LLC., fun and safe games, competitions, entertainment, raffles and giveaways. Free.Visit www.sparkphysio.com/ home/make-your-health-happen-





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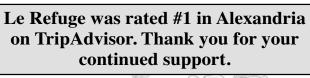
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DC Public Opera Presents: Mozart's "Così Fan Tutte." 7 p.m. at The Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. DC Public Opera presents a contemporary production of Mozart and DaPonte's comic opera "Così Fan Tutte (The School for Lovers).' Inspired by Andy Warhol's work and parties at his New York studio, The Factory, the performances take place in the Torpedo Factory Art Center as a live installation. Tickets are \$25. Visit www.dcpublicopera.org for

Fort Hunt Preschool Outdoor Movie Festival. 7:30 p.m. at 1909 Windmill Lane. Watch animated film "Madagascar." Admission is \$5, free for children under 2. Call 703-768-7584 or visit

www.forthuntpreschool.com. Four Mile Summer Movie Festival.

Movies start at dusk and are shown at the Four Mile Conservatory Building, 4109 Mt. Vernon Ave. National Community Church's Inaugural summer movie festival is co-sponsored by the City of Alexandria. Film is "Cool Runnings." Bring a blanket or chair. Free. Visit www.theaterchurch.com for more

SEPT. 11-OCT. 25

"Artifact" Exhibit. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, and during performances at Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall & Arts Center, 4915 East Campus Drive. In this exhibit artist J.T. Kirkland integrates the painted gesture with the naturally occurring textures or "gestures" in the wood. John James Anderson will also share the space. Free, Visit www.nvcc.edu.



"I Never Knew Him" by Karen Swenholt 'Seven Deadlies' Now Open at Convergence

Sculptor Karen Swenholt explores the "Seven Deadly Sins" in her new exhibit at The Gallery @ Convergence. Each sculpture acts as a representation of the seven sins; lust, sloth, gluttony, wrath, envy, greed and pride. "Seven Deadlies" is on display through Oct. 31. Visit www.ourconvergence.org.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 12

Community Yard Sale. 7 a.m.-1 p.m. at Seminary Walk Condominium behind Buildings 105, 203, and 205 Skyhill Road. Free to attend. Rain date: Sept. 19. Call 703-370-6914.

Annual Sidewalk Sale. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Hollin Hall Shopping Center, 7900 Fort Hunt Road. Variety Store, 529 Hollin Hall, Initial Impressions Hollin Hall Pastry Shop, and The Dance Studio will participate. Free to attend. Call 703-765-4110

Civil War Walking Tour. 10 a.m. at The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. Discover locations and stories associated with soldiers, citizens, and the enslaved, including Robert E. Lee's departure from his hometown, the occupation of Alexandria, and

emancipation. Admission is free for museum members, \$12 in advance, and \$15 on the day of the event. Visit www.leefendallhouse.org for more.

Container Gardening in Cold

Weather. 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. at Ellen Coolidge Burke Branch Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Master Gardeners of Northern Virginia (Arlington/Alexandria) will present a program on gardening in containers. It will emphasize the use of edible herbs and vegetables that not only look attractive but also can survive cold conditions. Free, but registration is required. Visit www.mgnv.org.

Canine Cruise. 11 a.m. at Alexandria City Marina, 1 Cameron St. The family dog is welcome to join in on an hour-long cruise through the Alexandria Seaport. Tickets are \$16 for adults and \$10 for children. Dogs ride free. Visit

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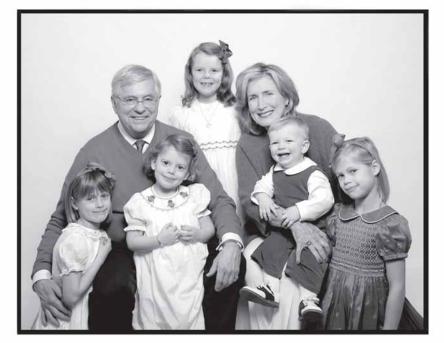
Reopening. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at Dogtopia of Alexandria, 3121 Colvin St. Dog daycare, boarding, and spa facility Dogtopia is reopening. The grand reopening is open to the public and will include facility tours, petfriendly vendors and more. Free. Visit www.dogdaycare.com/alexandria.

4th Annual Alexandria

Multicultural Festival. 12-4 p.m. Four Mile Run Park Community Building, 4109 Mt. Vernon Ave. There will be live entertainment, local performers, children's interactive games and crafts, food, face painting and various vendors. Free. Email cisco.fabian@alexandriava.gov or call 703-746-5465.

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ENTERTAINMENT



Kari Van Tine performs "She is Solid in Chaos." 'Angel Soldier Dance Sublime' Now Open

Thursday, Sept. 10, the "Angel Soldier Dance Sublime" exhibit exploring femininity and power, will open with a performance of artist Kari Van Tine's "dance drawing" at 2 p.m. and public reception 6-8 p.m. at The Target Gallery, 105 N. Union St. The exhibit is a collection of work by four artists: Sam Jones, Kari Van Tine, Heather Lyon, and Anya Antonovych. Visit www.torpedofactory.org for more.

are needed and how to care for your bees. Presented by Beekeepers Association of Northern Virginia. Free. Register at www.fairfaxcounty.gov for more.

Book Signing & Reception. 2-5 p.m. at the Fort Ward Museum, 4301 W. Braddock Road. Joseph and Sharon Scopin will be on hand to discuss their book "As I Remember." The book is about local Civil War veteran Lewis Cass White, whose story and memorabilia was discovered in the authors' basement. Free to attend. The book will be available to purchase for \$35. Only cash or check will be accepted. Visit www.fortward.org for more.

"Artifact" Exhibit. 4-6 p.m. at Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall & Arts Center, 4915 East Campus Drive. Artist J.T. Kirkland integrates the painted gesture with the naturally occurring textures or "gestures" in the wood. Also meet, John James Anderson, an artist who will share the space. Free. Visit www.nvcc.edu.

Collective Delusion. 9:30 p.m. at John Strongbow's Tavern, 710 King St. Local band will perform rock songs from the 1970s to the present. Free. Visit

www.collectivedelusion.net.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 13

Friends of the Torpedo Factory
Present "Arts & Light." 11 a.m.-5
p.m. at The Torpedo Factory, 105 N.
Union St. As part of UNESCO's
International Year of Light and Light-

Based Technologies, The Friends of the Torpedo Factory Art Center present Art and Light, an afternoon celebration of art, music, dance, and light. Jane Franklin Dance, the Francis C. Hammond Middle School Orchestra, The Alexandria Singers, The Dance Studio at Hollin Hall, cellist John Kaboff, and the St. Petersburg Duo will perform alongside the Radiance Orb, a large geodesic globe that responds to music and motion with flashes of color. Free. Visit

www.torpedofactory.org/orb. **Grandparents Day Celebration.** 12-2 p.m. at Paul Spring Retirement Community, 7115 Fort Hunt Road. Celebrate Grandparents Day with family and friends with family-oriented activities including pony rides, a moon bounce and a magician accompanied by a traditional picnic lunch and live music from the Mt. Vernon Community Band. A raffle will be held by the resident council. Free. Visit www.rui.net/paul-spring/events-activities.

DC Public Opera Presents:

Mozart's "Così Fan Tutte." 7 p.m. at The Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. DC Public Opera presents a contemporary production of Mozart and DaPonte's comic opera "Così Fan Tutte (The School for Lovers)." Inspired by Andy Warhol's work and parties at his New York studio, The Factory, the performances take place in the Torpedo Factory Art Center as a live installation. Tickets are \$25. Visit www.dcpublicopera.org for more.

MONDAY/SEPT. 14

Dance Class: The Art of Ballroom

Dance. 7-7:45 p.m. practice and 7:45-8:30 p.m. dance at the Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Come with or without a partner to learn several classic dance styles from Gary Stephans. Admission is \$15. Email garystephans@me.com or call 703-505-5998 for details.

History Lecture: Medical Heroism in Alexandria. 7 p.m. at the Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Learn about the Athenaeum's role in the Civil War and medical efforts in Alexandria from historian Tom Shultz. Free. Visit nvfaa.org.

TUESDAY/SEPT. 15

Artisan Information

Presentation. 11 a.m. at Ten Thousand Villages, 915 King St. Immanuel Bundellu of Asha Handicrafts, based in Mumbai, will discuss the impact of fair trade. The presentation will be followed by a question-and-answer session. Free. Visir

www.alexandria.tenthousandvillages.com for more.

Genealogy and DNA Talk. 1-3 p.m at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road. Jim Bartlett tells how to use DNA test results to prove lines of ancestry in this free talk sponsored by the Mount Vernon Genealogical Society. Visit www.mvgenealogy.org.

WEDNESDAY/SEPT. 16

The Alexandria/Mount Vernon

Antiques Club Meeting. 9:30-11 a.m. at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road. Speaker Barbara Stewart will share her experiences as a buyer of antiques for dealers, decorators and individuals, as well as her volunteer work at a local thrift store, where she has found many items. Members and guests are encouraged to bring their own "finds" to share. Free. Call 703-360-4979 for more.

Get Moving in Carlyle. 6 p.m. at John Carlyle Square, 300 John Carlyle St. and 1901 Jamieson Ave. Take an outdoor pilates class sponsored by Local Motion Studio. Free. Visit www.localmotionstudio.com for more.

"An Ordinary Hero." 7-8:30 p.m. at Beatley Central Library, 5005 Duke St. Join Joan Mulholland, civil rights activist, and Mike O'Brien, author, for a screening of the documentary "An Ordinary Hero" followed by a Q&A session. The documentary focuses on Joan's experiences in the Civil Rights Movement and at the Woolworth Sit-in. Free. Visit www.alexandria.lib.va.us. for more.









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Home LifeStyle



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Thinking of Downsizing?

Free seminar will focus on moving to a smaller place with style.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL Gazette Packet

omeowners considering a move from a large home to a smaller dwelling will have an opportunity to receive expert advice on their transition later this month. Representatives from the real estate, moving and home design industries will host a lifestyle seminar to discuss downsizing issues like interior design, organizing and pack-

"The lifestyle seminar will address all aspects of moving and condo living, including what to

keep, what to donate and how to decide," said Christine Basso of TTR Sotheby's International Realty.

Lifestyle Seminar

Quarry Springs 8101 River Road in Bethesda, Md. Sept. 20 from $11\ a.m.$ to $1\ p.m.$

Movers will discuss ways to make www.quarrysprings.com for more.

the entire moving process run smoothly from starting early to the most effective ways to pack to determining what goes where." According to Basso, seminar attendees will also hear from design experts who will offer guidance on personalizing one's living space. They will also give advice on topics such as measuring existing and new furniture for space placement and incorporating an art collection into a home's design.

The seminar will be held Sunday, Sept. 20 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Quarry Springs estate condominiums, located at 8101 River Road in Bethesda, Maryland. The

Quarry Springs complex will open later this year.

To RSVP to the free event, contact Chris-

"The experts at Town & Country tine Basso at 202-302-2508. Visit

HOME SALES

In July 2015, 236 Alexandria homes sold between \$2,495,000-\$120,000. This week's list represents those homes sold in the \$2,495,000-\$578,500 range. For the complete list, visit www.ConnectionNewspapers.com

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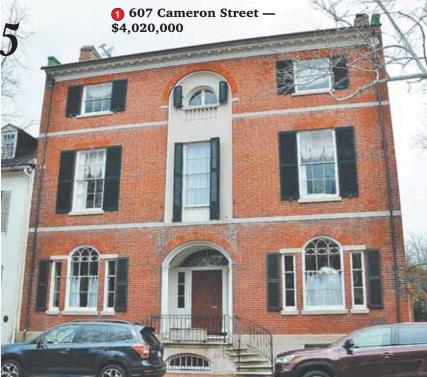
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News



Mayor William Euille fields questions from the media after officially announcing his candidacy.



Zach Hall, member of the campaign staff, discusses endorsing Mayor William Euille with local residents Mary Faber of Southport (with hat) and her friend Amber Gordon of Del Ray.



Lonnie Rich, former member of City Council, was one of several speakers endorsing Mayor Bill Euille.

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ing that growth can be severely limited and at the same time, city services can be maintained or even expanded."

But Euille's most notable endorsement so far has come from former mayor and primary opponent Kerry Donley. According to a press release from the "Friends of Bill Euille" campaign, Donley recognized Euillle's achievement in bringing the National Science Foundation and the Transportation Security Administration to Alex-

andria as some of the main reasons for his support.

Since the announcement, however, the mayor has remained hushed on the specifics of the write-in campaign. Beyond his announcement on Sunday, Euille said he was not ready to further discuss the details of the upcoming election.

The response by Silberberg was swift but brief. Silberberg said the announcement was not a surprise, that Euille had been

write-in campaign all summer. She also claimed that, when she signed on as a candidate, she and the other Democrats signed a pledge not to run as a part of any other party. Technically, as a write-in, Euille is not breaking this pledge, but Euille says his campaign clearly defies the intent of the pledge.

Clarence Tong, chair of the Alexandria Democratic Committee, said that he and other members of the Democratic Commitmaking less-than-cryptic references to the tee are "still looking into" whether or not

there was a pledge and what it entailed. Tong said he was prepared to follow the bylaws of the ADC and eject Euille from the party, but said that Euille came to them first after the announcement and removed himself as a member, as did Rich and Donley. According to Tong, this would mean that Euille would not be readmitted until the party's reorganization every two years, but this also means that Euille will not have access to the local or state Democratic resources that Silberberg will.

Carr Hospitality Faces Criticism over Trucks in Old Town

From Page 1

tion had even started, Flajser couldn't promise that residents wouldn't still find the activities disruptful.

A major complaint from local citizens centered around the use, or disuse, of approved haul routes. Flajser noted that the inbound route to the site was via Franklin Street, and the outbound was along Gibbon Street. Any drivers found deviating from these routes, Flajser said, are dismissed. However, many in the city say this discouragement has proven insufficient. Emilio Pundavela from the city's Department of Project Implementation, reported that there have been three confirmed incidents so far of truck deviating from haul routes.

"Firing a driver from a hauling route isn't an effective sanction," said Bert Ely, co-chair of the Friends of the Waterfront Commission, at the Waterfront Commission

meeting. Ely called on the city to look into whether or not they could fine Carr for the deviations.

"People want a sanctioning process that has more teeth," said Ely. "Residents want to see results."

One of the more egregious violations was a Griffin Dewatering Truck that travelled down a cobblestone street directly past a prominent sign that stated that there were no trucks allowed. Pundavela noted that, of all the complaints received about trucks related to the project, this was the least understandable.

Flajser offered no defense of the error, and said that his company is as frustrated as the citizens when the trucks deviate from the approved paths.

"That driver is not allowed to return," said Flajser. "All I can tell you is, we're very frustrated by this. We are addressing it and we are trying to enforce it as best we can."



Austin Flajser addresses the Waterfront Commission and Old Town residents.

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LETTERS

From Page 14

Equal Treatment

To the Editor:

Public entities like the Alexandria Redevelopment Housing Authority (ARHA) must be held to the same, if not to a higher standard, than the general public. On Sept. 12, City Council will consider ARHA's appeal of the Parker Gray Board of Architecture Review unanimous decision to deny ARHA's request to demolish the historic Ramsey Home to replace it with apartment buildings. City Council's decision will tell us once and for all whether there is one set of rules for privileged entities and another set of rules for the rest of us.

In April, the Parker Gray BAR unanimously determined that Ramsey Homes met four out of six criteria identified in the Zoning Code as indicative of historical significance and hence meriting preservation. Ramsey Homes is located in the Parker Gray Historic District and was built as housing for African American defense workers during the early 1940s; it is one of the last remaining examples of wartime housing in Alexandria. The fact that the city highlighted Ramsey Homes as a contributing resource in its now-approved Uptown/Parker Grav National Register Historic District nomination is a clear indication of city acknowledgement of the historical and architectural significance of the site.

During a July public meeting, ARHA displayed slides showcasing the poor condition of the units, which clearly need substantial renovation. The units suffer from peeling paint, closets and pantries without doors, birds nesting in the attic, and inadequate electrical. The question must be asked, however, as to why the units are in such poor condition? ARHA has owned this property for decades. Are we to believe that in the last 50 years ARHA could not find the funds to put doors on the closets, to seal up crevices to prevent birds from nesting in the attics, to perhaps do something as simple as upgrading the electrical? These are routine maintenance and upgrades that anyone who lives in a historic home is familiar with. The almost willful neglect of such routine home upgrades should not be an excuse for demolition of historically significant buildings. City regulations underscore this point the condition of a building does not justify demolition.

Because ARHA has neglected upkeep on Ramsey Homes it now argues it is not financially prudent to renovate the buildings. However, city regulations specify that financial matters, master plan requirements, what might replace an existing building, cannot be considered in demolition requests. Yet, this is exactly the argument that ARHA is making. Private homeowners in the historic districts are routinely required by the City to use more expensive materials on their homes - wood instead of hardiplank, wood windows instead of vinyl. If private homeowners are expected to fund such routine maintenance and upgrades, and to do so with more expensive historically appropriate materials, why should the same not be expected of ARHA?

For many of us in the Parker Gray historic district, the financial value of our homes is in the land. The houses are old and upkeep is expensive. If City Council accepts ARHA's argument that its land values and the expense of maintaining its historic buildings is justification for demolition, then City Council must treat private homeowners equally. Either the BAR and historic district requirements apply to all or they must apply to none.

Christopher Jones Alexandria

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Sports

TC Football Faces Tough Tests After Easy Win

Titans open season with 65-0 win over TJ.

By Jon Roetman Gazette Packet

arc Matthie earned in dominant fashion his first win as head coach of the T.C. Williams football program on Sept. 4 when the Titans blanked Thomas Jefferson 65-0.

The Titans amassed 451 yards and eight touchdowns on the ground, averaging 11.9 yards per carry against a program that hasn't won a game since 2013.

"One of the things I've mentioned [that] they started to realize [is] when they do things correctly and at a fast pace, this can be the result of it," Matthie said. "I thought they were able to execute effectively and play with a lot of energy."

Following the season-opening victory, Matthie didn't take long before giving the Titans a reality check: tougher challenges lie ahead.

T.C. Williams will face Conference 5 teams Oakton and Westfield in the next two weeks. Oakton won its season opener against Madison on Sept. 4 and won the region title in 2012. Westfield defeated Washington-Lee on Sept. 3 and has been to the last four region championship games.



Marc Matthie, right, seen during an August practice, earned his first win as T.C. Williams head football coach on Sept. 4.

"We addressed that immediately after the game," said Matthie, who was Centreville's defensive coordinator before taking over as head coach of the Titans. "Our true test is going to be against two really good Concorde District teams that have won state championships in the last 15 years. They're the standard."

Oakton won the 2005 AAA state championship, and Westfield won the title in 2007.

Against Thomas Jefferson, senior running back Tavaris James led the T.C. Williams ground game, carrying 13 times for 190 yards and four touchdowns. Senior Mahlique Booth carried twice for 83 yards and two touchdowns.

"Mahlique and Tavaris James," Matthie said, "really offer a 1-2 punch."

Junior Charles Farmer Jr., rushed three times for 80 yards and a touchdown, and sophomore quarterback Ethan Hall scored a rushing touchdown.

Senior left tackle Carlos Green (6 feet 4, 250 pounds), junior left guard Benton Lewis (5-11, 195), junior center Garrett Roach (5-11, 240), senior right guard Gareth Markel (6-0, 180) and junior right tackle Ebenezer Belayneh (6-2, 225) comprise the TC offen-

sive line.

"I've got to really give it up to our offensive line," Matthie said. "Our center Garrett Roach is a guy who has really taken a lot of great leadership there."

On defense, junior Teyan Williams had two sacks, and junior Matt Sloan and Chadi Abdalla each had one.

James and senior Colson Jenkins each returned a punt for a touchdown.

T.C. Williams will travel to face Oakton at 7 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 11. The Titans' home opener is against Westfield at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 19.

Sports Brief

Bishop Ireton Football Beats N-SA

The Bishop Ireton football team defeated Nansemond-Suffolk Academy 27-6 on Sept. 4 to open the season with a 1-0 record.

BI quarterback Walker Venable completed 14 of 26 passes for 251 yards and two touchdowns.

Perris Jones caught four passes for 133 yards and two touchdowns. He also carried 13 times for 58 yards and a score.

On defense, Andrew Hershey intercepted a pass.

The Cardinals' home opener is at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 12 against Bishop O'Connell.

SCHOOL NOTES

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

Joshua Bekoe graduated from Louisburg College (Louisburg, N.C.).

Kelin Baldridge, a University of Pennsylvania (Philadelphia, Pa.) student, was selected to participate in the Library of Congress Junior Fellows Program.

Zelalem Meaza graduated from Union University (Jackson, Tenn.) with a pharmacy major.

Naif A. Alsagr has earned a Master of Business Administration degree with a major in finance from the University of Scranton (Scranton, Pa.).

Kathryn L. Adzima has earned a Master of Science degree with a major in educational administration from the University of Scranton (Scranton, Pa.).

James H. Webber has earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in international relations and Spanish from William Jewell College (Liberty, Mo.).

Nicholas Campbell, a junior majoring in civil engineering at Worcester Polytechnic Institute (Worcester, Mass.), returns from a research project "Green Space Design for a River Daylighting Pilot Project."

Dipesh Khanal has earned a Master of Science in Chemistry from the Georgia Institute of Technology (Atlanta

Ga.)

Michael McCeney has graduated from Furman University (Greenville, S.C.).

Mallory Marie Gerndt has received dean's list recognition from Newberry College (Newberry, S.C.) for the spring 2015 semester.

Alexandria City Public Schools has chosen five elementary schools to receive Amplify tablets in the fall. ACPS was able to repurpose 900 previously used tablets to give fourth- and fifthgrade students at Lyles-Crouch Traditional Academy, Cora Kelly School for Math, Science and Technology, and Charles Barrett, Patrick Henry and George Mason elementary schools access to the technology at no extra cost to the school division.

Charles M. Stillwell, formerly headmaster of St. Christopher's School in Richmond, Va., has been named the head of Episcopal High School.

Emily Hauptle has received dean's list recognition from Marquette University (Milwaukee, Wis.) for the spring 2015 semester. Hauptle is studying marketing.

Emma Florence Cordell has graduated from Miami University (Oxford, Ohio) with a bachelor's degree in Italian Studies. She also received president's list recognition for the spring 2015 semester.

Sarah Lane has been named to the president's list at Miami University (Oxford, Ohio) for the spring 2015 semester.

Darcy S. Gilbert graduated from Boston University (Boston, Mass.) and received a Bachelor of Arts in psychology.

Dana Mock graduated from Boston University (Boston, Mass.) and received a Master of Science in computer information systems.

Kelsey F. Dashiell graduated from Boston University (Boston, Mass.) and received a Master of Science in health communication.

Luke J. Pecoraro graduated from Boston University (Boston, Mass.) and received a Ph.D. in archaeology.

Daniel C. McCarthy graduated from Boston University (Boston, Mass.) and received a Master's of Music in music education.

Tess E. Pascua was named to the dean's list at Boston University (Boston, Mass.).

Amber Hugee was part of the cast/crew of Baldwin Wallace University's (Berea, Ohio) production of "Dark of the Moon" during the spring 2015 semester. Hugee is majoring in theatre with a focus on acting and directing.

Belen Rogers was named to the dean's list for the spring 2015 semester at Mount Saint Mary's University (Emmitsburg, Md.).

Erin Rheinheimer and **Ryan Yates** have graduated from Eastern Mennonite University (Harrisonburg, Va). Rheinheimer received a bachelor's in education with a teaching license for pre-K to grade 12. Yates received a bachelor's in communication.

Heather Evans, Hannah Eve, and Erin Rheinheimer were named to the dean's list for the spring 2015 semester at Eastern Mennonite University (Harrisonburg, Va).

Charlotte Eaton earned a Bachelor's degree from Florida Institute of Technology (Melbourne, Fla.).

Genevieve Francis was named to the dean's list for the spring 2015 semester at Scranton University (Scranton, Pa.)

Janelle Canty earned a degree in business, technology or health professions from Davenport University (Grand Rapids, Mich.).

Yewlsow Ferede was named to the president's list for the spring 2015 semester at Husson University (Bangor, Maine).

Hasamone Nimjareansuk was named to the dean's list for the spring 2015 semester at Niagara University (Lewiston, N.Y.).

Christin Yi was named to the honor's list for the spring 2015 semes-

ter at Husson University (Bangor, Maine).

Andrea Schimmoeller was named to the dean's list for the spring 2015 semester at Columbus State Community College (Columbus, Ohio).

Michael LaGrande was named to the dean's list for the spring 2015 semester at Emory and Henry College (Emory, Va.).

Samuel Walters earned a Bachelor of Arts in mathematics from Lafayette College (Easton, Pa.).

Kelly Marie Dervarics and **Alison Somers Lindsay** were named to the dean's list for the spring 2015 semester at Washington University (St. Louis, Mo.).

Amna Sheikh was named to the dean's list for the spring 2015 semester at Clarion University (Clarion, Pa.).

Anna Patricia Manalo was named to the dean's list for the spring 2015 semester at Binghamton University (Binghamton, N.Y.).

David M. Souliotis, Edward L. Wilkinson Jr., Patrick W. Doolin and Patrick K. Piedad were named to the dean's list for the spring 2015 semester at Virginia Military Institute (Lexington, Va.).

Andrew Lucero earned the "Gold Standard" for the National German Exam at Randolph-Macon Academy (Front Royal, Va.).

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ALEXANDRIA CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NUMBER 15-08-06

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Sealed Proposals with the notation RFP# 15-08-06 Functional Performance Audit Services, will be received in the Central Procurement Office, 1340 Braddock Place, Suite 620, Alexandria, Virginia 22314, on or before 3:00 pm, October 2, 2015. The time of receipt shall be determined by the time clock

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Carolyn Weaver Mackay (Age 63)

On August 26, 2015 in Arlington, VA, Carolyn passed away with her family by her side. A native of the DC area, Carolyn grew up in Bethesda, MD and was a graduate of Mary Washington College in 1973 with her degree in Economics and was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. She then attended graduate school at Virginia Tech where she earned her Doctorate in Economics in 1977. She served on

the economics faculties of Tulane University and Virginia Tech and was a Research Associate at the Center for Study of Public Choice at Virginia Tech. She was a Senior Research Fellow at the Hoover Institute at Stanford University from 1984-1986. Carolyn served as Editor of Regulation magazine from 1986-1988 and was a Resident Scholar and the Director of Social Security and Pension Studies at the American Enterprise Institute from 1987-2000.

From 1981-1984, Carolyn was chief professional staff member on social security for the U.S. Senate Committee on Finance, under the Chairmanship of Senator Robert Dole, and during that time also served as Senior Advisor to the 1983 National Commission on Social Security Reform ("Greenspan Panel"). She served on several federal advisory councils dealing with social security and disability policy, including the 1994-1996 Social Security Advisory Council, the 1994-1997 U.S. Social Security Advisory Board, the U.S. Disability Advisory Council, and the Social Security Public Trustees Working Group on Trust Fund Solvency, and was a founding member of the National Academy of Social Insurance. Carolyn testified frequently on Capitol Hill on issues pertaining to social security and the budget, social security solvency and reform, disability policy, and welfare reform. She also wrote books, articles, and editorials on these subjects and was a policy advisor to two presidential can-

didates. Carolyn is recognized in Who's Who in America. Carolyn lived out her faith in service to the Lord. She taught Sunday school and served on the Pastoral Care Committee and the Vestry at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Alexandria. She also devoted herself to outreach and service to her Christian Brothers and Sisters in Uganda and Sudan and was

a founding board member of the American Friends of the Episcopal Church of Sudan (AFRECS). In 2009, Carolyn and her family joined The Falls Church Anglican, where she was an active member of Women's Ministry Bible Study and served on the Guild of the Christ Child and the Hospitality Committee. She was also a long-time supporter, mentor, and tutor with Central Union Mission in Washington, DC. Carolyn is survived by her ever-loving husband of 35 years, Robert J. Mackay; children, Taylor and Bennett Mackay; step-daughter, Stacy Mackay O'Bryant; grandchildren, Patrick and Joseph O'Bryant; brothers, Kenneth Jr., Brian, and Scott Weaver: as well as a host of nieces, nephews. cousins and other extended family. She was preceded in death by her parents, Kenneth and Margaret Weaver.

Family and friends may gather on Thursday, September 10, 2015 from 2-4 & 6-8 p.m. at Everly-Wheatley Funeral Home, 1500 W. Braddock Rd., Alexandria, VA 22302, A funeral service will be held on Friday, September 11, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at Columbia Baptist Church, 103 W. Columbia St., Falls Church, VA 22046. The committal will follow at Columbia Gardens Cemetery in Arlington, VA. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Central Union Mission at www.missiondc.org with a designation for the Carolyn Mackay Education Fund. A guest register may be found at www.everlywheatley.com.



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Priscilla Alden Ford

TENNENT, Priscilla Alden Ford, age 86, of Richmond, Virginia, passed away on August 31, 2015, at her home in Westminster Canterbury, Richmond. Priscilla, the daughter of Dr. David Emerson Ford and Mildred Katherine Bascom, was born July 31, 1929, in New Bern, North Carolina and raised in Washington, North Carolina. She was a 1946 graduate of St. Mary's School in Raleigh, North Carolina and a 1950 graduate of St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing in New York, New York. She married John Hooper Tennent, IV on June 7, 1952 and made their home in Alexandria, Virginia. She was employed at Alexandria Hospital, the Visiting Nurse Association of America, and retired after 27 years from Goodwin House in Alexandria, Virginia. Priscilla is survived by her children, John Hooper Tennent, V (Marena) of Clifton, Virginia, David Ford Tennent (Faith) of Bowie Maryland and Katherine Tennent Cox (Robert) of Richmond, Virginia; her grandchildren, Sarah Elaine Simmons (Raymond) of Prince Frederick, Maryland, Ashley Eileen Tennent of Clifton, Virginia and Alan Sanford Tennent of Redwood City, California; her great grandchildren, Anna Faith Simmons and Rosalie Patricia Simmons. A memorial service will be held at 2pm at the Westminster Canterbury Chapel on September 11, 2015. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the CrossOver Healthcare Ministry, 8600 Quioccasin Road, Richmond, Virginia, 23229.

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