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Victorious: Allison Silberberg with City Council members Timothy Lovain, John Chapman, Redella "Del" Pepper, Justin Wilson, Paul Smedberg, and Willie Bailey.

It's Mayor Silberberg

A "new day" for Silberberg marks end of era for Mayor Euille.

BY VERNON MILES
GAZETTE PACKET

While Democrats weren't able to secure a hold on the state legislature, in Alexandria, the embattled incumbent Democrats were able to hold their ground in every election. In the mayoral race, Vice Mayor and Democratic candidate

Allison Silberberg unseated incumbent Mayor William "Bill" Euille, who after his loss in the Democratic primary, waged a write-in campaign.

"It is a new day," said Silberberg. "It is time for change, and I think that's what the voters have said overwhelmingly across this city..."

But what didn't change was the Democrats' unanimous hold on the City Council. In the council election, all six seats went to Democrats, from Councilwoman Redella "Del" Pepper celebrating her 11th campaign victory to new City Council member Willie Bailey celebrating his first.

"I think we do need a shared sense of purpose in this city," said Silberberg. "That is what I will stand for going forward in terms of pursuing thoughtful, appropriate development that fits in

and is to scale, and will protect our neighborhoods and quality of life. I think that that message has resonated. We must preserve and protect our historic districts all across the city. It is an honor, not a burden, to have these historic districts, and you can count on me to always speak up for [the neighborhoods] and do everything I can to protect them."

The Silberberg vs Euille battle for mayorship, even since the Democratic primary, has centered around the question of development. The ques



Bill Euille and Allison Silberberg at the Alexandria Democratic victory party.

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After Verdict, Sharing Memories

Severance found guilty on all counts.

BY VERNON MILES
GAZETTE PACKET

The jury had been dismissed over the weekend, but it barely took an hour of discussion on Nov. 2 to come back with a verdict in the case of Charles Severance, accused of three murders in Alexandria: guilty on all 10 counts.

Severance was accused of the murder of real estate agent Nancy Dunning in 2003, transportation planner Ron Kirby in 2013, and music teacher Ruthanne Lodato in 2014. The four-week trial analyzed what Commonwealth Attorney Bryan Porter described as a "mountain of circumstantial evidence." The trial largely centered around Severance's writings, the account of a woman who was injured in the Lodato murder, and the rarity of the ammunition used in the crime.

Before the jury recommended a sentence, representatives of the families of each of the victims gave impact statements, conveying to the jury just how much Severance's actions had cost them. Lucia Lodato, the oldest of Ruthanne Lodato's three daughters, said that she had lost her role model.

"I was 32 years old when mom was killed," said Lucia Lodato. "While she was technically finished raising me, she was far from finished being my mom. She was still the person I called when I was sick and upset or needed to be comforted."

Lucia Lodato said that her heart breaks when she realizes that her mother won't get to see her youngest daughter graduate from college, won't get to enjoy her "golden years" with her husband, and won't get to spend time with her grandchildren.

"I'll tell you this: we won't speak of the horrible and inexplicable way she died," said Lucia Lodato. "We will remember her the way she lived: focusing on music, faith,

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Commonwealth Attorney Bryan Porter, flanked by the three families of Severance's victims.

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Alexandria Police are seeking the identity of the suspect who attempted to rape a woman in the Unit block of Canterbury Square on Friday, Oct. 23. The suspect is described as a black male in his 30's, 5'11" to 6', 200 to 240 lbs., with a larger build. He had long braided hair, facial hair on his chin and tattoos on his arms. He was last seen wearing a black tank top and dark colored boxer shorts.



Composite sketch of suspect

The public is asked to remember this composite is a compilation of facial features, not a photograph. If any of the features in the composite suggests a person, contact the police immediately. Keep in mind that the suspect may have recently changed his appearance.

Anyone recognizing the person depicted in the sketch or anyone with additional information about this case is asked to contact Detective Brad Cecchetti with the Alexandria Police Department at 703-746-6858.

In other incidents, the police are investigating:

- ❖ a robbery on Oct. 30 in the 800 block of N. Henry Street. The suspect brandished a knife and fled after the robbery. No one was injured.

- ❖ a robbery on Oct. 29 in the 6200 block of Edsall Road. Two suspects with one gun robbed a woman sitting in her car. No one was injured.

Increased Traffic Safety Enforcement

In conjunction with the Fall 2015 "Street Smart" campaign, the Alexandria Police Department is conducting increased enforcement of traffic safety laws. The campaign is an annual public education, awareness and behavioral initiative to improve safety for pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists in the Metropolitan Washington, D.C. region.

Officers from the Police Department's Motor Unit are focusing on busy locations such as the areas around Metrorail stations during rush hour and the Union Street corridor in Old Town. The goal of enforcement is to encourage safe walking, cycling and driving behavior for all users.

Officers will cite pedestrians for jaywalking and motorists and bicyclists for violations of the traffic code.



"Mango Mike" Anderson serves up BBQ from Sweet Fire Donna's to Donnie Simpson Sr. at the Rotary Club of Alexandria's Taste For Giving fundraiser Oct. 23 at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.



Past Rotary president Peter Kneteman, right, serves wine to attendees at Taste For Giving Oct. 23.

PHOTOS BY STEVEN HALPERSON

Taste For Giving 2015

Rotary Club raises funds for local nonprofits.

Spirits were high and the food was plentiful as the Rotary Club of Alexandria held its annual Taste For Giving fundraiser Oct. 23 at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

With Loch Harbour serving as presenting sponsor, attendees enjoyed samplings from

17 local restaurants. Don Manuel Villafane Winery and Port City Brewery were the beverage sponsors for the evening.

The event raises funds for the Rotary Grants program, which dates back to the 1930s and provides financial support to local nonprofits and service organizations.

Earlier this year, the Rotary Club of Alexandria contributed \$115,000 to 45 local organizations.

For more information visit www.rotaryclubofalexandria.net.

— JEANNE THEISMANN



Taste For Giving presenting sponsor Loch Harbour CEO Tony Braddock and Evelyn Delottinville enjoy the reception.



Rotarians Steve and Mary Wharton at Taste For Giving Oct. 23.



Past Rotary presidents and Taste For Giving founders John and Joan Renner.



Gant Redmon calls to order the Taste For Giving live auction Oct. 23 at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.



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PEOPLE



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Volunteers from Alfred Street Baptist Church showed up to surprise community members at Yates Carwash and Detail Center.

Hidden Halos

Yates Carwash and Detail Center patrons receive random acts of kindness.

BY MARISSA BEALE
GAZETTE PACKET

North Henry Street's Yates Carwash and Detail Center got a special visit from members of Alfred Street Baptist Church (ASBC), who arrived early Saturday morning to deliver an unexpected surprise to patrons and employees.

In September, ASBC kicked off a kindness initiative dubbed "Hidden Halos," where

members of the congregation perform acts of kindness for people in their communities, at schools, jobs and in other public places, and document their efforts and experiences online at hiddenhalos.org. The project was launched in honor of Pastor Howard-John Wesley's seven years leading ASBC.

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32 Years of Cooking and Singing

BY SHIRLEY RUHE
GAZETTE PACKET

It is 8:30 on Friday night and the customers look expectedly toward the kitchen. Five bar stools are perched in front of a silent TV where several customers sit drinking Perronis and watching the third World Series game. Tables of diners crowd the small room as Francesco Abbruzzetti, owner and chef at Trattoria da Franco on S. Washington Street, appears. Daryl Ott, the Friday night piano player and operatic baritone, runs his fingers up and down the keyboard. They sing together, "it's time to say goodnight in old Napoli." Abbruzzetti swings a white towel around his head and leans toward a customer with a la-la-la.

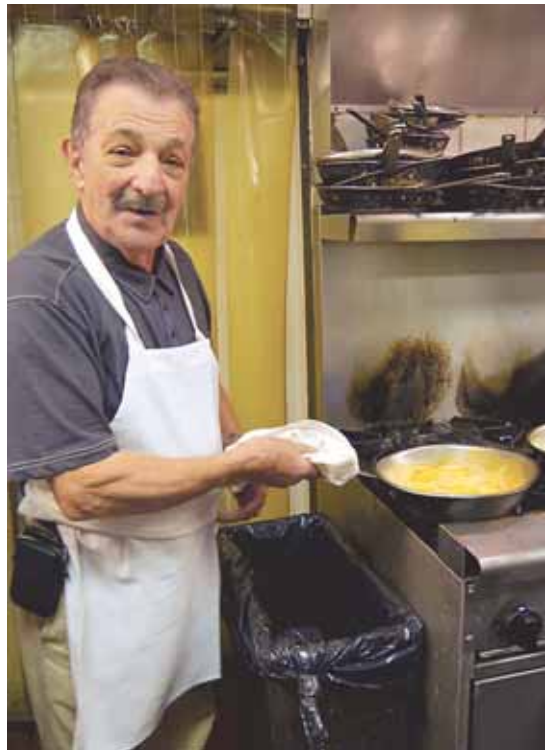
PEOPLE AT WORK

Abbruzzetti has just come from the kitchen where he was working with his cooks Juan Amador and Victor Rivera, "but on a night like tonight, they can handle it all themselves." Small cards are passed to the front of the room with song requests. The piano player has launched into "Lullaby of Broadway." Abbruzzetti first began singing when he lived in Rome and served as an altar boy at the Sistine Chapel when he was 10 or 12 years old. "At the Vatican you sang when you were an altar boy."

Pictures of Abbruzzetti's father in World War II are crowded together on the wall with photos of people who have eaten at Trattoria da Franco over the last 32 years. Abbruzzetti said he grew up in Rome and his father who was a colonel in the Italian Army was a friend of Rommel. "Here let me show you the picture." The faded black and white photo was dated Oct. 5, 1942. "This is my father on the end." Then one day Rommel asked his father if he was a Fascist and his father said, "No, I am an Italian," and that was the end of that. Most of Abbruzzetti's relatives were kicked out of Italy or killed. Abbruzzetti's uncle told him to join the French Foreign Legion when he turned 18. "I was in Paris, bored and had a fight with my uncle. I didn't really like it." Abbruzzetti came to the United States when he was about 50.

A customer stops to chat as he walks out the door. BJ Dougherty says, "I first came here in 2002 for chocolate martinis with a girl I ended up marrying. I can walk here from my house. It is constant, a magical place, truly what I love about living in Alexandria."

As Dougherty opens the door, Abbruzzetti says,



Chef Francesco Abbruzzetti stirs the vodka sauce for his homemade lobster ravioli, a Friday night special at Trattoria da Franco.

where you goin'?" Abbruzzetti adds, "We have some famous people who eat here. I cooked for Mama Bush and for Pavorotti and President Reagan's daughter, Maureen, who came with her boyfriend. Again, "here, let me show you the picture." Business is a lot of the same familiar faces but Abbruzzetti says, "business has gone down a little. It's not the same."

Abbruzzetti says they have made the same kind of Italian food for over 30 years. "We make real Italian food. A lot of people say they make Italian food but they don't." The menu features food from all over Italy — seafood from the north such as misto mare which is a special tonight and all the pasta dishes from southern Italy. Sometimes they travel to Baltimore to get the seafood. He says when people bring the family, the kids "always like the spaghetti and meatballs." Osso buco is so tender tonight it cuts with a fork. Homemade lobster ravioli in Vodka sauce simmers on the front left burner. Tomorrow night they are having a Halloween party. He says, "We will design the special menu tomorrow," and this month it

combines with opera night which is always the last Saturday of the month.

The evening moves on, and more memories are created for the worn scrapbook of pictures that he keeps inside the front door. In the meantime the piano player has moved on to "gonna take a sentimental journey, gonna set my mind at ease."



Francesco Abbruzzetti's walls are covered with pictures of WWII as well as famous people who have eaten at Trattoria da Franco over the last 32 years. "Here is a picture of my father with Rommel. They were friends until Rommel asked my father if he was a Fascist and my father said, no, he was an Italian."



Daryl Ott, the Friday night piano player and operatic baritone, launches into sentimental journey ... "gonna put my mind at ease" at Trattoria da Franco on Friday night song night.

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World War II veterans William McNamara and Warden Foley will be honored with the Distinguished Patriots Award at the Chamber of Commerce Salute to Veterans Nov. 12 at George Washington's Mount Vernon Estate.

Saluting Veterans

McNamara and Foley to be honored for service.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN
GAZETTE PACKET

World War II veterans William McNamara and Warden Foley will be honored with the Distinguished Patriots Award at the Chamber of Commerce Salute to Veterans breakfast Nov. 12 at George Washington's Mount Vernon Estate.

As members of American Legion Post 24 for nearly seven decades, McNamara and Foley oversaw the preservation of Gadsby's Tavern, which was owned by the Legion until 1972. Recognizing the building's historical significance, McNamara, as commander of Post 24, led the Legion's decision to turn over the keys to Gadsby's Tavern as a gift to the city with the understanding the building be preserved for future generations.

A recently published book on Gadsby's Tavern by Office of Historic Alexandria Deputy Director Gretchen Bulova bears this dedication: "To the members of American Legion Post 24 whose remarkable dedi-

cation and passion preserved this important historic landmark."

The Chamber of Commerce event is open to all and tickets can be purchased online at www.alexchamber.com. It is one of several events taking place in the city during the week of the Veterans Day holiday.

On Sunday, Nov. 8, the Sons of the American Legion Post 34 will once again partner with the Old Dominion Boat Club to host the third annual EOD Wounded Warrior fundraiser. Last year's event raised more than \$90,000 to support EOD warriors and the families of wounded and fallen EOD personnel. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased online at www.eodwarriorfoundation.org.

On Tuesday, Nov. 10, the Capitol Post will host a Veterans Day Eve Social from 5 to 8 p.m. at Port City Brewery, which was just voted Small Brewing Company of the year at the Great American Beer Festival. No tickets are required but RSVP is requested to Mary Iafelice at mary.iafelice@thecapitolpost.com.

NEWS

A Chili Rivalry

Port City Chili Brawl this Sunday.

By EMILY RABBITT
GAZETTE PACKET

The 2015 Port City Chili Brawl will take place this weekend, with Chef Eric Reid of the Reserve and Chad Sparrow from Mason Social warring for bragging rights for the cold weather staple and brew-lovers companion.

The rivalry is a good-natured one with a philanthropic angle. Reid and Sparrow met in the early '90s at George Washington Middle School and they now preside over kitchens at restaurants a stone's throw from their old stomping grounds.

Prior to this Sunday's chili face-off, Reid and Sparrow have pitted their culinary prowess against each other in themed tailgates at the Washington football team's games, where they would battle to see who could make the best dish.

"My chili will be the best because it has tender love and care in it," said Reid. He promised a twist, "it won't be a standard ground beef chili, I'm gonna use brisket."

As far as pairings for local brewer Port City, Reid likes "the Porter or the Port City Monumental, the IPA style really cuts spice well."

Sparrow says he has a unique take on the dish as well. "I'm doing a braised pork chili. I char all

the veggies — tomato, garlic, and the different chili peppers, then reduce in beer and beef stock." He's planning to use Port City's pale ale in the broth.

Both are excited about the bragging rights that will ensue from victory, and are motivated by the fact that a portion of the proceeds will go towards Feed It Forward, a D.C. group that raises money and distributes food to the hungry in D.C..

If brisket and braised pork don't fill attendees' meat quota for the afternoon, Logan's Sausages will also be giving out samples.

The homegrown showdown will take place at Port City Brewing Company on Sunday, Nov. 8 from 2-6 p.m. at its brewery on 3950 Wheeler Ave.; samples and a pint to pair them with costs \$20.

The tasting room and brewery tours are available that day.



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OPINION

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We publish artwork, poetry, essays, creative writing, opinion pieces, short stories, photography, photos of sculpture or gardens or other creative efforts.

We ask that all submissions be digital so they can be sent through email or delivered on CD or flash drive. Writing should be submitted in rich text format (.rtf). Artwork should be photographed or scanned and provided in jpeg format.

Some suggestions:

❖ Drawings or paintings or photographs of your family, friends, pets or some favorite activity. These should be photographed or scanned and submitted in jpeg format. Photos of sculpture or larger art projects are also welcome.

❖ Short answers (50 to 100 words) to some of the following questions: If you could give your parents any gift that didn't cost money what would that gift be? What are you most looking forward to in the upcoming year? What is one thing that you would change about school? What do you want to be when you grow up? What is your favorite animal? What is your favorite toy? What makes a good parent? What makes a good friend? What is the best or worst thing that ever happened to you? What is the best gift you've ever given? Ever received?

❖ Your opinion (50 to 100 words) about traffic, sports, restaurants, video games, toys, trends, politics, etc.

❖ Poetry or other creative writing.

❖ News stories from school newspapers.

❖ Photos and text about activities or events.

We welcome contributions from public and

private schools, individuals and homeschoolers. To be published, we must have first and last name of the student. Please include the student's age and/or grade, school attended and town of residence.

Email submissions for the Children's Gazette Packet to gazette@connectionnewspapers.com.

Identify each piece of writing or art, including the student's full name, age, grade and town of residence, plus the name of the school, name of teacher and town of school location. Please provide the submissions by Friday, Dec. 4.

To send CDs or flash drives containing artwork and typed, electronic submissions, mark them clearly by school and hometown and mail the CD or flash drive to Children's Gazette Packet, 1606 King Street, Alexandria, VA 22314.

Please send all submissions by Dec. 4. The Children's Gazette Packet will publish the week of Dec. 28, 2015.

You can see last year's editions by visiting www.connectionnewspapers.com/PDFs/ and scroll down to Children's Edition.

EDITORIAL

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Justice Has Been Served

To the Editor:

The following statement was sent following the conviction of Charles Severance.

While it has been a long time coming since 2003, I am gratified that justice has finally been done today by the conviction of Charles Severance for my sister, Nancy Dunning's murder and for the murder of two other prominent Alexandria residents, Ruthanne Lodato and Charles Kirby.

I am not surprised by the jury's guilty verdict as I recall my sister telling me in a very foreboding conversation at her home on primary election eve in May 2000 about her concern for Charles Severance and his "issues" with she and "mostly Jim." When I told Nancy that I would be campaigning for the Democratic ticket outside Minnie Howard School the following day, she asked me if I would recognize Severance. When I told her that I would from newspaper photos of the mayoral candidates, including Severance, she

warned me to avoid all contact with him and told me that if Severance confronted me to be sure not to tell him who I was or that I was related to she and Jim. I did not know at the time — and Nancy did not tell me then — that Severance had been served with a protective order involving his son signed by my sister's husband, Sheriff James Dunning, shortly before the primary election. In retrospect, Nancy's conversation with me was prescient. It is now clear based upon the weight of the evidence at trial and the jury's ver-

dict that Severance killed my sister, Nancy, Ruthanne Lodato (whose father and brother were both municipal judges), and Ronald Kirby in revenge for the loss of the custody of his infant son in the Alexandria City courts.

Nothing can bring my sister and the other two victims back. But, knowing that Severance will spend the rest of his life behind bars for his despicable actions will protect the lives of other Alexandria City residents and bring an end to this painful saga for me and my family and for the Lodato and Kirby families. Rest in peace at last, Nancy.

Christine M. Niedermeier

The writer is a sister of Nancy Dunning, a Connecticut attorney and political analyst, and a former Connecticut state representative, selectman and Democratic Congressional nominee.

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OPINION

Honor Veterans

BY JIM GLASSMAN
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LEGION POST 24

While we set aside Nov. 11 as a special day to honor and remember our veterans, we should continuously endeavor to serve our veterans as well as they have served their nation.

The American Legion shows its support through numerous programs such as the Family Support Network, Temporary Financial Assistance, the National Emergency Fund and Operation Comfort Warriors, just to name a few.

Sometimes all that is needed is a simple "thank you" directed at the veteran or the family member for his or her sacrifice.

Part of that sacrifice too often includes unemployment or underemployment when the veteran's military service is over. Companies should understand that it's smart business to hire veterans, and when members of the Guard and Reserves deploy, it is America's business to ensure that their civilian careers do not suffer.

We must not forget the unique



Jim Glassman

needs of women veterans. There are more than 1.8 million women in America today who have worn the uniform. Women are major contributors to our military readiness and many have given their lives in the Global War on Terrorism. The Veterans Administration must adequately treat breast and cervical cancer as well as trauma that may have resulted from domestic violence, sexual harassment and assault.

While fewer than 10 percent of Americans can claim the honorable title "U.S. military veteran," this special group often provides the vital services that enable our communities to function.

Chances are that if you surveyed your local police or fire department, you would find that a disproportionately high percentage of its members are veterans. When an emergency hits, there is a good

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OPINION

Finding Your Passion

And leaving your legacy.

BY JOHN PORTER
PRESIDENT, ACT FOR ALEXANDRIA



how you can make a difference.

There will be representatives who work with animals, arts, environment, health, seniors, veterans and youth. It's going to be an interactive session

where participants can move around to hear from each organization about their important work. The event kicks off with a special guest speaker David Speck of Speck-Caudron Investment Group talking about finding your passion and the different ways to leave a legacy.

The Nov. 18 event takes place at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2701 Cameron Mills Road in Alexandria. The program runs from 10 a.m. – noon with registration at 9:30 a.m. It is free and open to the public with light refreshments provided. You can register online at seniorservicesalex.org or call 703-836-4414, ext. 110.

We hope you can join us and have some fun exploring your passions.

I think everyone strives to find their passion — whether in their professional work life or an outside interest. When we retire and work has been one of the major focuses of our life finding what interests us can take some time. It is also the time when we might think about leaving a legacy that fits our passion and lifestyle. Do you like working with youth? Are you crazy about animals? Is protecting the environment important to you? Are you a veteran and would like to give back to those serving our nation today?

If you want to explore what your passion is and think about what your legacy could be then join ACT for Alexandria and Senior Services of Alexandria on Wednesday, Nov. 18 to hear from local nonprofits from a variety of different areas on what they do and

Honor and Remember Veterans

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chance that it is a veteran that is first to respond.

Whether it's a schoolteacher, construction worker or first responder, military veterans take their missions seriously. They vote in higher percentages than nonveterans, they are more likely to volunteer in their communities and they are less likely to live in poverty. In short, veterans make our communities better.

Whenever we hear a politician rail about the high cost of veterans' benefits, it is up to us to remind the critic about the high cost of being a veteran. It is a cost — blood,

sweat, and sacrifice — that has produced and protected the greatest nation on earth.

Nearly a century has passed since the American Legion's founders made their commitment to serve veterans, troops and families in their communities, states and nation.

American Legion members have never retreated from that commitment. If you are a veteran and not a member of The American Legion, why not? Join us to ensure that the promises made to us for defending our country are kept.

God bless all our veterans and God bless America.

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THROUGH NOV. 20

Fall Coat Drive. The Fund for Alexandria's Child invites Alexandria residents to help children in foster care or at risk of abuse or neglect keep warm this winter through its annual Fall Coat Drive. Call 703-746-5663 or email thefundforalexchild@alexandriava.gov to learn about donation options.

THROUGH DEC. 15

Accepting Donations. Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at 421 King St., Suite 400. Every year, the Alexandria Domestic Violence Program organizes a holiday party for children and mothers who have been recently served by the program. Children's toys and gift cards in denominations of \$25 will be accepted. Call 703-746-4911 for more.

THROUGH DEC. 30

Leaf Collection Program. Visit www.alexandriava.gov/leafcollection.

SATURDAY/NOV. 7

Gadsby's Tavern Museum Volunteer Training. 9 a.m.-12 p.m. at Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 N. Royal St. Gadsby's Tavern Museum is seeking individuals 14 and older who enjoy meeting and talking with people of all ages, love American history, and want to learn more and share this knowledge with others. To apply to become a docent, complete an application online through www.gadsbystavern.org or email Michele.longo@alexandriava.gov.

SUNDAY/NOV. 8

Deadline for Public Art Applications. 11:59 p.m. The City of Alexandria invites artists and artist teams to submit their qualifications to be considered for a public art project as part of the Simpson Park Playground and Passive Space Renovation. The Selected Artist/Artist Team (Artist) will join an interdisciplinary project team (Design Team) that is contracted to provide the landscape architectural design services for the Simpson Park Playground and Passive Space Renovation. Members of the Design Team will be chosen through a separate Request for Proposal (RFP) process. Contact Diane Ruggiero at Ongoing

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DRAMA DEPICTS 1862 ALEXANDRIA.

"Mercy Street," a new Civil War-era drama set in Alexandria but produced in and around Richmond will debut on PBS Sunday, Jan. 17, 2016, at 10 p.m. "Mercy Street" will follow the final season of "Downton Abbey."

Based on true stories, "Mercy Street" takes viewers into the lives of Americans on the Civil War home front as they face the challenges of one of the most turbulent times in the nation's history.

Set in Virginia in the spring of 1862, "Mercy Street" follows the lives of two volunteer nurses on opposite sides of the conflict; Mary Phinney, (Mary Elizabeth Winstead), a staunch New England abolitionist, and Emma Green, (Hannah James), a naive young Confederate belle. The two collide at Mansion House, the Green family's luxury hotel that has been taken over and transformed into a Union Army Hospital in Alexandria, a border town between North and South and the longest-occupied Confederate city of the war. Ruled under martial law, Alexandria is now the melting pot of the region, filled with soldiers, civilians, female volunteers, doctors, wounded fighting men from both sides, runaway slaves, prostitutes, speculators and spies.

The intersection of North and South within the confines of a small occupied town creates a world that is chaotic, conflicted, corrupt, dynamic and hopeful — a cauldron within which these characters strive, fight, love, laugh, betray, sacrifice and, at times, act like scoundrels.

'MERCY STREET' CAST. — in leading roles includes:

→ Mary Elizabeth Winstead ("The Returned," "The Spectacular Now") as nurse Mary Phinney, a New England widow who is a newcomer at Mansion House Hospital.

→ Josh Radnor ("How I Met Your Mother," "Liberal Arts," Broadway's "Disgraced") as Dr. Jedediah Foster, the civilian contract surgeon who grew up in a privileged slave-owning household as the son of a wealthy Maryland landowner.

→ Gary Cole ("Veep," "The Good Wife," "Entourage") as James Green, Sr., patriarch of the Green family, struggling to maintain his family business while living in an occupied city.

→ Newcomers Hannah James as Emma Green, an entitled Southern young woman who volunteers as a nurse at Mansion House Hospital, and Brad Koed as James Green, Jr., working alongside his father on the family businesses while he wants to be on the front lines for the Confederate cause.

→ Norbert Leo Butz ("Bloodline") as Dr. Byron Hale, an old-school Army Surgeon who does everything by the book.

→ Tara Summers ("You're the Worst," "Rake," "Boston Legal") as nurse Anne Hastings, whose claim to fame is her experience working with Florence Nightingale in the Crimean War.

→ McKinley Belcher III ("Show Me A Hero," "Chicago PD") as Samuel Diggs, a black laborer who works in Mansion House Hospital and harbors a secret knowledge of medicine.

→ Shalita Grant ("NCIS: New Orleans," "Bones") as Aurelia Johnson, a stoical "contraband" working as a laun-

dress at the hospital.

→ Peter Gerety ("Syriana," "Charlie Wilson's War," "The Wire," "Prime Suspect") as Chief Surgeon Alfred Summers, a career Army surgeon who has risen to the rank of major by virtue of his age, not his skill

→ Jack Falahee ("How to Get Away With Murder") as Frank Stringfellow, a Confederate spy who is betrothed to Emma.

→ Anna Sophia Robb ("The Carrie Diaries," "The Way, Way Back," "Bridgete to Terabithia") as Alice Green, Emma's younger sister who at first frivolous and naive, becomes the most radicalized member of her family.

ADVISING ON HISTORICAL ACCURACY. — Based on both historical and composite characters, "Mercy Street" combines real and dramatized places and events as backdrops for an array of colliding storylines.

To ensure historical accuracy, the producers engaged a team of advisors headed by historian James McPherson and including experts on Civil War medicine, military history, African-American history, women in the Civil War era and more. Each script was vetted with the entire advisory team, many of whom were on set during the show's filming in Richmond and Petersburg, Virginia.

Along with McPherson, the advisory team included Dr. Stanley Burns (19th century medical historian, "The Knick"), Shauna Devine ("Learning From the Wounded, the Civil War and the Rise of Medical Science"), Jane Schultz ("Women at the Front: Hospital Workers in Civil War America"), George Wunderlich, director of the National Museum of Civil War Medicine, Audrey Davis, director of the Alexandria Black History Museum, and Anya Jabour ("Scarlett's Sisters, Young Women in the Old South").

FOR THE CLASSROOM. — PBS LearningMedia will offer materials designed to bring "Mercy Street" into classrooms around the nation including a series of student-facing videos that will explore ties between current events topics with roots in Civil War era history, clips from "Mercy Street" and teacher-focused classroom support materials, such as background essays and lesson activities. These resources will enable teachers to connect content covered in "Mercy Street" with curricula topics in Civil War era history, and connect themes covered in the series to issues relevant to students' lives today.

ALEXANDRIA FILM FESTIVAL.

The Alexandria Film Festival will present 62 featured films for the 9th annual festival, to be held Nov. 5-8 at AMC Hoffman 22 Theatre and Beatley Central Library in Alexandria. The festival opens Thursday, Nov. 5, with the Alexandria premiere of "Mercy Street," PBS's new civil war drama historically based in Alexandria.

The festival will host a Q&A with "Mercy Street" stars Mary Elizabeth Winstead (Mary Phinney), Hannah James (Emma Green), Tara Summers (Anne Hastings), and executive producers David W. Zucker and Lisa Wolfinger. Local Alexandria producer and Alexandria Film

Festival award winning filmmaker Joe Cantwell will moderate a Q&A following the screening.

Festival highlights include a holiday movie showcase on Saturday night at 7 p.m. at AMC Hoffman Theatre with a special advanced screening of the soon-to-be Christmas hit "Love the Coopers," starring Alan Arkin, John Goodman, Ed Helms, Diane Keaton, Jake Lacy, Anthony Mackie, Amanda Seyfried, June Squibb, Marisa Tomei and Olivia Wilde.

The showcase will begin with short film "Merry Xmas," starring Dick Van Dyke and Valerie Harper. "Merry Xmas" filmmaker Adam Rackoff will engage audiences with a Q&A following the screening.

This year's festival also presents political documentaries, including a work-in-progress screening of political talk radio documentary "The Brainwashing of My Dad" on Saturday, Nov. 7 at 7 p.m. at AMC Hoffman Theatre. Filmmaker Jen Senko and producer Adam Rackoff will be available for an audience Q&A following the screening.

The festival will host the premiere of political advertising documentary "I Approve This Message" on Saturday, Nov. 7 as part of a film showcase happening at 4 p.m. at AMC Hoffman Theatre. Local D.C. filmmaker Jesse Strauss will greet audiences for a Q&A following the screening.

"Yemeniettes" follows three women from Yemen trying to break the barriers of their traditional society as a part of the International Film Showcase at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 7 at AMC Hoffman Theatre.

Sixteen international films includes films from Sweden, China, the United Kingdom, Aruba, Australia, Lithuania, Lebanon, Venezuela, Yemen, Vietnam and India. "Rebirth" filmmaker Alireza Sadreddini from the United Kingdom plans to attend and perform an audience Q&A at 2:30 p.m. at Beatley Central Library on Saturday, Nov. 7.

Films coming from within the greater Washington, D.C. metropolitan area include "Shrines," "Cherry Blossom," "Freak the Language," "Arlington Passages," "Landscape of Power: Freedom and Slavery in the Dismal Swamp," and "The Art of Richard Thompson."

Local filmmakers Jesse Strauss of "I Approve This Message," Nguyn inh Anh of "Uncle & Son," Josh Peterson of "Forest Born," and Karen Reedy of "Les Falaises" will be present at the festival with their films.

The festival features two LGBTQ films this year. "Uncle & Son" will be shown at AMC Hoffman Theatre at 1 p.m. as part of the International Film Showcase. "The David Dance" will be shown Sunday, Nov. 8 at 4 p.m. as a part of a film showcase. Both filmmakers will be in attendance at the festival for Q&As after their screenings.

The Alexandria Film Festival's history of environmental films continues this year with "The Bonobo Connection," with filmmaker Irene Magafan in attendance, "Free Flight" and "From Australia with Lov3."

The first-ever Kid's Cinema Showcase will begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 7 at AMC Hoffman Theatre. Animated films "The Importance of Lios" and "Hill of the Hapersnoks" lead the screening, followed by a nature feature length "On the Wing" about saving bald eagles. In addition to the Kid's Cinema Showcase, many films provide an educational opportunity for

teachers and their students, including "The Art of Richard Thompson," "Offset: Seeing Beauty Through a Brain Injury," "Landscape of Power: Freedom and Slavery in the Dismal Swamp," "Shrines," "The Soft Shell Crab and the Metal Claw" and "Arlington Passages."

The festival pays tribute to Sydney-Chanele Dawkins, award-winning feature filmmaker, film curator, film festival producer and a theater/film critic and arts writer who died on July 8, 2015, at age 47, after a battle with breast cancer. She served as an impassioned advocate for the arts as chair of the Alexandria Commission for the Arts in Alexandria. Her successful first film, "Modern Love Is Automatic," will be shown at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 7, at AMC Hoffman Theatre.

A series of short films round out the festival. Notable shorts include "Zero," a sci-film short by YouTube Your Film Festival winner David Victori with executive producer support from Ridley Scott and Michael Fassbender, "The Schoolboy," "I Am Reva," "Three Lady Tailors," "Before We Lose," "Keepsake," and "Birthday."

All films shown at Beatley Central Library are free and open to the public. Tickets for films shown at AMC Hoffman 22 Theatre on Saturday, Nov. 7 and Sunday, Nov. 8 are available for purchase. The all-access pass to the festival is \$45 and is available for purchase online until Saturday, Nov. 7. The all-access pass is \$50 at the door. Tickets to individual screenings are \$12 online prior to the festival, and \$15 at the door. For more information, visit alexandriafilm.org.

FILM SCHEDULE. — The program is subject to change. Visit alexandriafilm.org, www.facebook.com/alexandriafilmfestival or find them on Twitter (twitter.com/alexfilmfest).

→ THURSDAY, NOV. 5
"MERCY STREET" Alexandria Premiere (private screening) Special guests for the premiere include: Hannah James, actress; Tara Summers, actress; Mary Elizabeth Winstead, actress; David W. Zucker, executive producer; Lisa Wolfinger, executive producer; Beth Hoppe, chief programming executive and general manager, general audience programming, PBS.

→ FRIDAY, NOV. 6
"JOURNEY TO A MIRACLE: FREEDOM FROM INSULIN" (10:30 a.m., Beatley Library, Free)
"I AM REVA" (1:15 p.m., Beatley Library, Free)
"FREE FLIGHT" (2:30 p.m., Beatley Library, Free)
"FREAK THE LANGUAGE" (3 p.m., Beatley Library, Free)
"LES FALAISES" (3:30 p.m., Beatley Library, Free)
"THE DEEP HEART'S CORE" (4 p.m., Beatley Library, Free)
"HERMITS" (4:05 p.m., Beatley Library, Free)

→ SATURDAY, NOV. 7
KID'S CINEMA SHOWCASE (10 a.m., AMC Hoffman Theater #2) "THE IMPORTANCE OF LIOS" - "HILL OF THE HAPERSNOKS" - "ON THE WING"
SYDNEY-CHANELE DAWKINS MEMORIAL SCREENING (10 a.m., AMC Hoffman Theater #3) "MODERN LOVE IS AUTOMATIC"
"ARLINGTON PASSAGES" (10:30 a.m.,

Beatley Library, Free)
"SHRINES" (11:15 a.m., Beatley Library, Free)
"MANNISH BOY" (11:30 a.m., Beatley Library, Free)

"OFFSET: SEEING BEAUTY THROUGH A BRAIN INJURY" (12 p.m., Beatley Library, Free)
SHORT FILM SHOWCASE (1 p.m., AMC Hoffman Theater #2) "SAFIYAH FLIES ACROSS THE OCEAN" - "MAIL.MAN" - "THE POEM OF A MEMORY" - "BIRTHDAY" - "ZERO" - "KEEPSAKE"

FILM SHOWCASE (1 p.m., AMC Hoffman Theater #3)

"THREE LADY TAILORS" - "THE BONOBO CONNECTION" - "THE WOMAN NOVELIST IN THE PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL" - "YEMENIETTES" - "THE SONS OF MAPES" (1:30 p.m., Beatley Library, Free)

"FROM AUSTRALIA WITH LOV3" (2 p.m., Beatley Library, Free)

"TUNNEL VISION" (12:10 p.m., Beatley Library, Free)

"REBIRTH" (2:30 p.m., Beatley Library, Free)

"THE SOFT SHELLED CRAB AND THE METAL CLAW" (2:45 p.m., Beatley Library, Free)

"CHERRY BLOSSOM" (3 p.m., Beatley Library, Free)

"LANDSCAPE OF POWER: FREEDOM AND SLAVERY IN THE DISMAL SWAMP" (3:30 p.m., Beatley Library, Free)

FILM SHOWCASE (4 p.m., AMC Hoffman Theater #2) "JANEY MAKES A PLAY" - "OH CRAPPY DAY"

FILM SHOWCASE (4 p.m., AMC Hoffman Theater #3) "THE ART OF RICHARD THOMPSON" - "OFF THE RECORD" - "C.T.R.L." - "I APPROVE THIS MESSAGE" - Premiere

ADVANCE SCREENING SHOWCASE (7 p.m., AMC Hoffman Theater #2) "MERRY XMAS" - "LOVE THE COOPERS"

FILM SHOWCASE (7 p.m., AMC Hoffman Theater #3) "MERRY XMAS" - "BRAINWASHING OF MY DAD"

LATE NIGHT SHOWCASE (10 p.m., AMC Hoffman Theater #2) "THE SCHOOLBOY" - "THE DROUGHT LAND" - "IN PROGRESS" - "DREAM WRITERS" - "FOREST BORN"

LATE NIGHT SHOWCASE (10 p.m., AMC Hoffman Theater #3)

"LADY IN WHITE" - "RAGE" - "INERTIA" - "AMERICAN DIRTBAGS"

→ SUNDAY, NOV. 8
FILM SHOWCASE (10 a.m., AMC Hoffman Theater #2) "BUILDING MAGIC" - "SIDESHOW OF THE ABSURD"

"THE LAST GREAT CIRCUS FLYER" (10 a.m., AMC Hoffman Theater #3)

INTERNATIONAL FILM SHOWCASE (1 p.m., AMC Hoffman Theater #2)

"UNCLE & SON" - "BEFORE WE LOSE" - "SHACKLE"

"RUN FREE: THE TRUE STORY OF CABALLO BLANCO" (1 p.m., AMC Hoffman Theater #3)

FILM SHOWCASE (4 p.m., AMC Hoffman Theater #2) "FROM AUSTRALIA WITH LOV3" - "LUCHADORA" - "FIXED" - "THE DAVID DANCE"

"LOVE THE COOPERS" - Advanced Screening (4 p.m., AMC Hoffman Theater #3)
CLOSING RECEPTION & AWARDS CEREMONY (6 p.m., AMC Hoffman Theater Mezzanine)

ENTERTAINMENT

Meet the Chef: Evening Star Cafe

Menu accesses all flavors in user friendly experience

BY SHIRLEY RUHE
GAZETTE PACKET

“Smell the nutty aroma of the brown butter.” Foam quickly bubbles up the sides of the saucepan as Keith Cabot, executive chef at Evening Star Cafe on Mount Vernon, adds the cold liquid to the caramelized hot butter cooked on high heat. He is making the brown butter verjus dressing for his Brassica Salad, a customer favorite. Verjus is a tart vinegar substitute made from un-

IN THE KITCHEN

ripened wine grapes. But he says it is important to have the rest of the dressing ready to go before the butter is browned so you can mix them together while the butter is still hot. He has measured one and a half cups of verjus and added juice from half a lemon to brighten up the acidity. Then two cloves of garlic grated with a zester. “I like to use this small thermos to pour the dressing because it’s easier in a large kitchen,” he said.

Today’s salad features vegetables from the Brassica family including cauliflower, broccoli and kale. Six curly green kale leaves from Northern Neck Produce are spread on a half sheet pan. Cabot places another pan on top to add pressure. In addition to buying fresh produce directly from the farm, Cabot says the restaurant has a huge garden on the roof with mostly sage and other garnishes at this time of the year. The broccoli and cauliflower florets have been roasted in the oven with olive oil, salt and pepper and garlic at 375 degrees for 15-20 minutes. “I like to take the traditional salad and do something a little different,” he said.

Green and white are mixed together in the bowl as the cauliflower and broccoli are coated with dressing. Cabot has shaved tiny green specks off the broccoli floret and will use what he calls his “green couscous” as a garnish. “I also shave thin round slices from the broccoli stalk to mix into the salad. Like with animals, the same with vegetables. We use it all from root to stem,” he said.

The Brassica mixture is placed in a large serving bowl. Cabot sprinkles copper-col-

ored sumac to add more bright acidity, then his broccoli couscous, making a green decorative edge around the dish. Pieces of lavash crackers that are made in the restaurant (a complicated process) are added to the top of the salad and finally several crispy kale chips are arranged on the top.

Cabot went to chef’s school in Charlotte. Then he opened with a few restaurants in Washington D.C. including Suna on Capitol Hill where he was a sous chef, then Sodo on 14th Street and a restaurant in Chinatown. He says the major change he has seen in 15 years of cooking is that, “we know where our food is coming from. We have a relationship with food that my parents didn’t have.”

Cabot has been executive chef at Evening Star Cafe since Aug. 10 and during that time has changed the whole menu: “I wanted it to be more user friendly so guests can create their own experience.” The previous version of Evening Star Cafe was Southern-themed but Cabot wanted to access all of the flavor profiles, and he wanted the focus to be an exchange between people. The first courses are all Share Dishes so that guests can taste a lot of flavors of the season.

He walks into the adjoining room past a rack packed with quiche crusts. Part of this job, he explains, involves organization and thinking ahead to what you will need tomorrow or in a few days.

Cabot opens up the foil on a large, rectangular black pot to show his own favorite dish, the Braised Short Ribs that are cooked in a water bath at low temperature for 7 1/2 hours. Each is encased in a sealed plastic bag that removes all oxygen and keeps in the moisture and flavor during the cooking process.

When Cabot was growing up, his mother had retired from the Marines and his father from the Navy. They were both working on Master’s degrees “so food wasn’t a focus.” But he remembers holidays were a big thing where his godmother would cook a huge feast: “The story goes that I walked in one holiday and said, Mom, this is what a real kitchen smells like.”



Keith Cabot, executive chef at Evening Star Cafe, measures out verjus, adds fresh lemon juice and zested garlic for the dressing for his Brassica Salad.

Cabot points out that when you add the cold liquid to the hot caramelized butter, it foams bubbles to the top of the saucepan.



Vegetables are used “root to stems,” so Cabot shaves off small broccoli florets to use as garnish.



(above) “Nice curly kale” from Northern Neck produce will be baked with olive oil, salt and pepper, until crispy. (right) Finished salad includes broccoli and cauliflower with brown butter verjus dressing, sprinkled with sumac and homemade lavash crackers with crispy kale as the final touch.



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

“Painting the Line, Drawing the Paint.” Through Nov. 8 at Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall & Arts Center, 4915 E. Campus Drive. This show that will include works by Ann Schlesinger, daughter of Jim and Rachel Schlesinger. Free. Visit www.nvcc.edu for more.

“Safari.” Through Nov. 15, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at The Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery, 105 N. Union St. Resident fiber artists display work inspired by

the wild. Free. Visit www.potomacfiberartsgallery.com.

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 children younger than 5. To view the historic stereoview images as well as the modern 3-D anaglyphs, visit www.mountvernon.org/3D.

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. Visit www.seniorservicesalex.org or by calling Mary Lee Anderson at 703-836-4414, extension 111.

Torpedo Factory’s Post-Graduate Studio. Through Nov. 29, during gallery hours at the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. To wrap up the inaugural year of the Torpedo Factory Art Center’s post-graduate in-house residency program, the Target Gallery will feature the work of the four participating artists in a group exhibition. Free. Visit www.torpedofactory.org for more.

PHOTO ‘15. Through Nov. 29, gallery hours at Multiple Exposures Gallery, 155 N. Union St. Senior Curator and Head of the Department of Photographs at The National Gallery

of Art Sarah Greenough will jury the “PHOTO ‘15” exhibit. Thirty-one fine art photographers will display their work. Admission to the gallery is free. Visit www.multipleexposuresgallery.com for more.

Green Spring Gardens Art Show. Through Dec. 27, gallery hours at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Artist Carol Higgs works in batik, oil, watercolor, and collage. Painter Joan Wolfe works with acrylic and Erik and Caroline Hottenstein use watercolors. Free. Call 703-642-5173 for more.

“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.

“Nature’s Journey.” Through Jan. 2, at American Horticultural Society, 7931 East Boulevard Drive. Darlene Kaplan will exhibit more than 60 of her original oriental brush paintings in a one-person art exhibition. Free. Visit www.darlenekaplan.com for more.

“George Washington’s Thanksgiving Proclamation.” Through Jan. 6, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at George Washington’s Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway. This exhibit will detail the history of Thanksgiving at Mount Vernon. On October 3, 1789, Washington issued his Thanksgiving

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proclamation, designating for "the People of the United States a day of public thanks-giving." Admission to the exhibit is included in Mount Vernon ticket prices. Tickets are \$17 for adults, \$9 for children, and free for children ages 5 and younger. Visit www.mountvernon.org/thanksgiving.

VCA Alexandria Animal Hospital Art Show. Through Jan. 31 at VCA Alexandria Animal Hospital, 2660 Duke St. The artwork is on display in waiting areas and examination rooms as a part of Del Ray Artisans' Gallery Without Walls program. Free. Visit www.TheDelRayArtisans.org for more.

"Ancient Art of Movement." 1 p.m. at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road. Carmen Shippy, retired professional dancer, teaches a series designed for 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. Through March, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Alexandria Black History Museum, 902 Wythe St. A new exhibit tracing the 150-year 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 703-746-4356.

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.leafendallhouse.org or call 703-548-1789. NEEDS EXPIRATION DATE

Alexandria Cars and 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.-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 703-746-4848. NEEDS EXPIRATION DATE

National Inventors Hall of Fame Exhibit. Through November 2016 at The National Inventors Hall of Fame-USPTO campus, 600 Dulany St. The exhibit features the stories of Inductees of the National Inventors Hall of Fame who served their country during World War II and returned home to help build the nation with their innovations. Free. Visit www.inventnow.org.

Dinner for the Washingtons. 12



St. Stephen's & St Agnes School will present a comedic version of "The 39 Steps," adapted from the 1915 novel by John Buchan and the 1935 film thriller by Alfred Hitchcock. Shows will be held Nov. 5, 13, and 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel/Performing Arts Center, 1000 St. Stephen's Road. Tickets are \$5. Visit www.sssas.org/arts.

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 with 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.alexandriarchaeology.org.

CAMPS, CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

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.

THROUGH DEC 13

Mike McConnell: "Flip Side." During gallery hours at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Mike McConnell was a commercial illustrator who recently dedicated himself to fine art. Free. Visit www.nvfaa.org for more.

THROUGH NOV. 8

"Mary Poppins." Various times as Bryant Alternative High School, 2709 Popkins Lane. Mount Vernon Community Children's Theatre presents "Mary Poppins." Tickets are \$12. Visit www.mvccct.org for more.

THURSDAY/NOV. 5

An Evening on John Singer Sargent. 7 p.m. at the Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. Richard Ormond, former Director of London's National Maritime Museum and former Deputy Director of London's National Portrait Gallery, is also one of the leading authorities on his great uncle and artist John Singer Sargent. Ormond will share anecdotes about and insights into the world of this portrait painter of the late 1800s. Free. Visit www.theartleague.org for more.

Damon Fowler and Delbert McClinton. 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Guitarist Damon Fowler opens for The Delbert McClinton Band. Tickets are \$45. Visit www.birchmere.com.

"The 39 Steps." 7:30 p.m. at St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School-Chapel/Performing Arts Center, 1000 St. Stephen's Road. St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School will present a comedic version of "The 39 Steps," adapted from the 1915 novel by John Buchan and the 1935 film thriller by Alfred Hitchcock. Tickets are \$5. Visit www.sssas.org/arts.

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The United States Air Force Band-Chamber Players Series. 7:30 p.m. at The Lyceum-Alexandria's History Museum, 201 S. Washington St. An evening of "Music for Percussion." Free. Visit www.usafband.af.mil.

THURSDAY-SATURDAY/NOV. 5-7

Duncan Library Book Sale. 10 a.m.-6:45 p.m. on Thursday; 10 a.m.-5:45 p.m. on Friday; and 10 a.m.-2:45 p.m. on Saturday at Duncan Library, 2501 Commonwealth Ave. Thousands of donated books, DVDs and CDs will be on sale. Free to attend. Visit www.friendsofduncanlibrary.org/special-events/.

FRIDAY/NOV. 6

ACPS 2020: Every Student Succeeds. 5:30-8 p.m. at Jefferson Houston School, 1501 Cameron St. In honor of the launch of "Every Student Succeeds," Alexandria City Public Schools is inviting the community to a celebration featuring circus performances, live music, food and more. Free. Call 703-619-8003 for more.

Sadie Hawkins Dance. 6-8:30 p.m. at the Durant Arts Center, 1605 Cameron St. Peter Kasper, featured caller and The Boomerangs Square Dance Teaching Council set the stage for this hillbilly country dance. Guests are invited to square dance and wear denim, paisley, red handkerchiefs, straw, and close-toe shoes. Tickets are \$5 for residents and \$10 for non-residents in advance; \$10 for residents and \$15 for nonresidents at the door. Register at www.alexandriava.gov/webtrac with Activity Code 255202.01.

"Under \$100: Affordable Masterpieces" Opening Reception. 7-9 p.m. at Del Ray Artisans Gallery, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Celebrate the opening of an exhibit showcasing artwork for \$100 or less. Patrons can own and take home art when purchased. Free admission. Visit www.TheDelRayArtisans.org.

Art on Tap. 7-10 p.m. at The Art League Gallery, 105 N. Union St. Craft beers from local breweries have been paired with a work of art from an Art League instructor. Local restaurants have chosen a brew/artwork coupling to serve as their muse to create a complementary appetizer. Tickets are \$35, \$45 after Oct. 3. Visit www.theartleague.org.

The Recessionists. 8 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. An improv group accepts suggestions from the crowd for scenes and games. Tickets are \$15. Visit www.nvfaa.org for more.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/NOV. 6-8

Alexandria Film Festival. AMC Hoffman Center 22, 206 Swamp Fox Road and Beatley Central Library, 5005 Duke St. The Alexandria Film Festival brings together short and feature length films of all genres from emerging and established, local and international filmmakers. Last year, the festival brought more than 60 films and 50 filmmakers to Alexandria from as far as Sri Lanka and Uruguay. All ticketed events will be held at the AMC Hoffman Theater 22, with Beatley Central Library offering free programs to the public. Visit www.alexandriafilm.org for more.

"Songs for a New World." 8 p.m. on Friday, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. on

Saturday, and 2 p.m. on Sunday at Workhouse Arts Center, 9518 Workhouse Way, Lorton. Metropolitan Youth Theatre students of the Metropolitan School of the Arts (MSA) of Alexandria and Lorton, Va. will present its student-directed and produced performance of Jason Robert Brown's "Songs for a New World." Tickets are \$20. Visit www.metropolitanarts.org for more.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY/NOV. 6-7

Playfest 2015. 7 p.m. at Convergence, 1801 N. Quaker Lane. Morning Bishop Theatre Playhouse presents Playfest 2015. The event is titled "All Voices Matter." Tickets are \$10 and \$12. Call 703-998-6260.

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SATURDAY/NOV. 7

"Beyond the Battlefield." 10 a.m. at the Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. The Lee-Fendall House will offer "Beyond the Battlefield," a guided walking tour of Civil War sites in Historic Old Town. Participants will see locations and stories associated with soldiers, citizens, and the enslaved, including the occupation of Alexandria and emancipation. Stops on the tour will include locations to be featured in the upcoming PBS drama, "Mercy Street," which airs in

January 2016. Advance tickets are \$15, or \$20 on the day of the program. Visit www.leefendallhouse.org for more.

Library of Virginia: "African American Resources." 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at Lloyd House, 220 N. Washington St. The names of millions of African Americans, slave and free, who lived, worked, worshiped, loved, and died in Virginia, are buried deep in the archival records and manuscript collections housed at the Library of Virginia. Reference archivist Cara Griggs will discuss methods and resources for African American genealogy prior to the end of the Civil War. Her lecture will focus on the Library of Virginia's collections, including cohabitation registers, free Negro registers and lists, wills, deed, and tax records as well as elected federal records that can be accessed through its databases. Free. Visit www.alexandriava.gov for more.

Fort Ward Museum Veteran's Day Tours. 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. at Fort Ward, 4301 W. Braddock Road. Two 90-minute tours will be conducted by Fort Ward staff member Kevin Moriarty, who will portray a Union army veteran reminiscing about his military service at Fort Ward during the Civil War. Participants will learn about Civil War veterans organizations, the history of Fort Ward, army life in the Civil War Defenses of Washington, and the design and construction of Civil War forts. Highlights include the reconstructed Officers' Hut and ceremonial entrance gate, and the fort's fully restored Northwest bastion. Free. Call 703-746-4848.

Fort Hunt Preschool Fall Festival. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at Fort Hunt Preschool, 1909 Windmill Lane. Find

pony rides, inflatables, games, food and more. Free. Visit www.forthuntpreschool.com.

Docent-Led Tour. 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at Friendship Firehouse, 107 S. Alfred St. Take an in-depth tour of Friendship Firehouse led by a trained docent. Tickets are \$5 for adults, and \$4 for children 10-17. The tour is recommended for children 10 and over. Visit www.friendshipfirehouse.net for more.

"A Behind the Scenes of Mosby's Rangers." 1-3 p.m. at Ivy Hill Cemetery, 2823 King St. Eric Buckland, a retired Army Special Forces Lieutenant Colonel, Vice President of the Stuart-Mosby Historical Society, member of the Mosby Heritage Area Association, and author of five books about some of the men who rode with Mosby's Rangers will tell tales of the Rangers' history, tactics, operations and lives during the Civil War era. \$5 suggested donation. Call 301-395-9541 or 703-549-7413 for more.

Pohick Church Tours. 1-3 p.m. at The Historic Pohick Church, 9301 Richmond Highway. The Historic Pohick Church Docent Guild will give guided tours of the historic colonial church. Free. Visit www.pohick.org.

SCAN's 14th Annual Toast to Hope. 6:30-9:30 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Arlington, 4444 Arlington Blvd. "Toast for Hope" is an opportunity to support Stop Child Abuse Now (SCAN). Tickets start at \$75. Visit www.scanva.org.

Kitty Donohoe and Kristin Rebecca. 7 p.m. at Focus Alexandria/Church of St. Clement, 1701 N. Quaker Lane. Ann Arbor-based songwriter and Michigan

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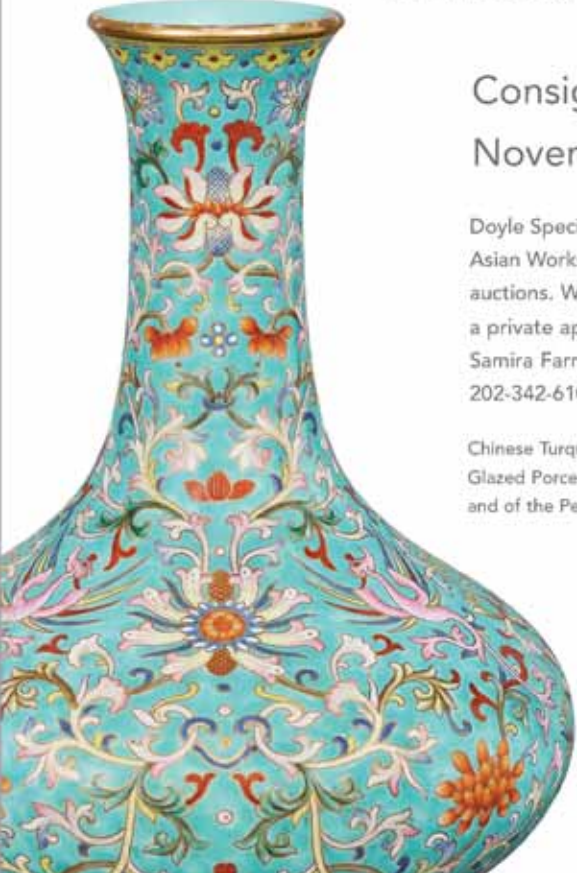
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Three Spots for a Cozy Sunday Brunch

As autumn takes hold and the air gets chillier, warm up with these hearty brunch options.

BY HOPE NELSON
GAZETTE PACKET

By now, it's no secret: Alexandrians love a good Sunday brunch. Whether it's eggs Benedict, French toast, a hearty sandwich, or a good mimosa, a quick look around proves beyond a shadow of a doubt that brunch is a popular activity citywide. Here are three spots to add to your list of tried-and-trues.

Shooter McGee's, 5239 Duke St.

Shooter McGee's opens at 10 a.m. on Sundays for brunch, and by 10:15 the parking lot in front of the restaurant is filling up nicely.

APPETITE

This is, of course, an excellent harbinger of things to come. At that early hour, the bar area is gaining popularity with football fans staking a claim to the afternoon games, and the dining room is well-attended with diners wanting to break their fast.

The restaurant is a sibling to Ramparts and TJ Stone's, but it has a personality all its own. The ambience is cozy and laid-back; the service is friendly and cheerful; and the food is a delight. For a hearty entrée, give the breakfast burrito a try: A tortilla filled with scrambled eggs, cheese, onion, ham, and Andouille sausage, it's sure to give you the strength you need to carry you through till dinner. You also can't go wrong with the fried egg sandwich, an open-faced number on an English muffin that's much heartier than it seems on the menu.

To wet your whistle, look no further than



(above) The open-faced fried-egg sandwich, and (left) the breakfast burrito at Shooter McGee's Sunday brunch.



The parking lot fills up quickly at Shooter McGee's on Sunday mornings, a sign of good things to come.

the bloody Mary bar, stocked with hot sauces and pickled vegetables galore. Add some Old Bay and you're in for a treat.

Chadwicks, 203 Strand St.

I'm sorry to disappoint, but the secret's

out on Chadwicks. If you come much later than opening time (which on the weekends is 10 a.m.), you'll likely encounter a bit of a wait. But the food and ambience are worth it.

This is another spot where the bar is hopping shortly after the doors open, with a mix of football fans and folks eager to get started on brunch eschewing a dining-room table in exchange for faster food. And that food lineup is certainly diverse: Diners who prefer the lunch side of brunch will be perfectly at ease with Chadwicks' weekend menu. Burgers (beef, turkey, or veggie), salads, sandwiches, and even pastas are in ample supply, quite at home alongside the brunch favorites.

If you're looking for lunch, consider one of Chadwicks' crab cake sandwiches or the restaurant's bangers and mash. For a meal

more along the breakfast lines, you can't go wrong with huevos rancheros or eggs Idaho. Paired with one of Chadwicks' popular mimosas, it's a meal fit for a Sunday morning.

Taqueria el Poblano, 2400 Mount Vernon Ave.

A Del Ray mainstay for years, Taqueria el Poblano offers one of the best brunches in town hands-down. Its Sunday brunch is always a festive affair offering something for everyone — and if you can eat outside on a mild day, so much the better.

Order a tequila sunrise — or, fine, a margarita — while you peruse the menu, and be sure not to miss the Specials board in the entryway. It often boasts some of the best options each week. If you see the words "Huevos Divorciados," order it without delay. This dish, whose name translates to "divorced eggs," is akin to huevos rancheros, but in this version the fried eggs are separated from one another by rice and beans and given different toppings — a red sauce for one, a green sauce for the other.

Another entrée that's sure to become a favorite is the Poblano's omelet, an omelet boasting Mexican cheese and topped with a poblano chili sauce and pico de gallo. For the ultimate in decadence, finish the meal with some Mexican rice pudding.

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Emmy recipient Kitty Donohoe is joined by Maryland based songwriter Kristin Rebecca. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$18 at the door. Visit www.focumusic.org for more.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/NOV. 7-8

"Whimsy & Wonderment." 8 p.m. on Saturday at Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall, 4915 E. Campus Drive; 3 p.m. on Sunday at George Washington Masonic Memorial, 101 Callahan Drive. The Alexandria Symphony Orchestra presents the music of Danny Elfman and classical music that shaped Elfman's style. Tickets are \$20-80 for adults, \$10 for students and \$5 for youth. Visit www.alexsym.org for more.

SUNDAY/NOV. 8

Ruffled Wreath Workshop. 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Create a Christmas wreath with felt ruffled rosettes. Adults only. Tickets are \$22. Call 703-642-5173 for more.

Book Signing Event. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Capital Teas, National Harbor, 145 Waterfront St., Oxon Hill, Md. Chrys Brobbey, a resident of Alexandria, will sign copies of "Dreams & Dreads." Kara Carter will sign copies of "Abby's Quilt." Free. Visit www.tatepublishing.com for more.

The Navy Concert Band. 2 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. The Navy Concert Band will perform at part of the "Music in the Gallery Series." Hear traditional and modern music for woodwinds and brass. Free. Visit www.nvfaa.org for more.

President Madison's Salon with Chief Justice John Marshall. 3-4:30 p.m. at Gadsby's Tavern

Museum, 134 N. Royal St. The date is Nov. 8, 1815. Chief Justice John Marshall will be joining President James Madison for a discussion of the organization and operation of the Supreme Court and how, in 1815, it has changed since its initial formation with the Judiciary Act of 1789. Reservations are recommended and tickets are \$15 per person and \$10 for high school/college students. Visit www.shop.alexandriava.gov or call 703-746-4242 for more.

Capitol Steps Benefit. 5 p.m. at U.S. PTO Madison Auditorium, 600 Dulany St. The Capitol Steps Benefit is a performance featuring satire based on headlines. Tickets are \$80. Visit www.ucmagency.org for more.

Pianist George Winston. 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. This concert by solo pianist George Winston will be accompanied by a food drive benefitting Carpenter's Shelter. Tickets are \$39.50. Visit www.birchmere.com for more.

MONDAY/NOV. 9

Champagne, Clothes, & Cupcakes. 6-7:30 p.m. at Sara Campbell, 320 Prince St. The Alexandria Chamber Professional Women's Network presents an evening of champagne, cupcakes, and style tips. Admission is \$35 for members, \$45 for nonmembers. Visit www.alexchamber.com.

Dance Class: The Art of Ballroom Dance. 7-7:45 p.m. class and 7:45-8:30 p.m. dancing at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Ballroom dance professional Gary Stephens teaches the Fox Trot, Waltz, Tango, Swing, Salsa, Meringue, Rumba, Cha-Cha, and Samba. Tickets are \$15. Contact garystephans@me.com or

703-505-5998.

TUESDAY/NOV. 10

Armchair Travels with Conne. 10 a.m. at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road. "World Traveler" Conne Rubenstein takes guests on a virtual tour of Sardinia and Sicily. She will also share two short videos of the "Baltimore Sailabration" and "Chihuly Glass at the Richmond Museum." Free. Call 703-765-4573.

WEDNESDAY/NOV. 11

Fall Craft for Kids. 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Mount Vernon Presbyterian Church, 2001 Sherwood Hall Lane. Children and parents will create a fall craft together at the MOMS Club of Alexandria South monthly meeting. All ages of children are welcome at the meeting. To honor Veterans Day, household items will be collected for the USO to help military families. MOMS Club of Alexandria South serves at-home parents as well as parents who work part-time or have home-based businesses and who reside in zip codes 22303, 22306 and 22307. Free. Email Southalexmomms@yahoo.com or visitsouthalexandriamomsclub.webs.com.

"I am Bound for Freedom's Light." 11 a.m. at The Alexandria Black History Museum, 902 Wythe St. Historian CR Gibbs presents "I am Bound for Freedom's Light: The Story of the U.S. Colored Troops in the Civil War." Free. Call 703-746-4356.

Toys for Tots Fundraiser. 4-7 p.m. at Murphy's Grand Irish Pub, 713 King St. The public is invited for live music, raffles, and door prizes. Attendees are asked to bring a new, unwrapped toy or a donation.

Contact Gabi Crousilac at gabi_gabs03@yahoo.com or 504-236-4485.

"Candlelight and Silence." 7-9:30 p.m. at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Road. St. Aidan's Episcopal Church invites the public to light a candle, walk the labyrinth, or simply spend time in silence. Free. Call 703-360-4220 for more.

THURSDAY/NOV. 12

Volunteer Awards Celebration. 6 p.m. at U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, 600 Dulany St. The 21st annual Volunteers are the Heart of Alexandria celebration will honor Gene Steuerle, for The Marian Van Landingham Lifetime Achievement Award; and Isabella Lovain, for The Youth Volunteer Service Award. Tickets are \$20. Visit www.volunteerallexandria.org for more.

Sass Brown Book Launch Party. 6-9 p.m. at Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. "USA-1000" author Sass Brown and "USA-1000" cover designer and sculptor Lisa Schumaier have teamed up for a book launch party in Studio #16. The event includes a brief reading, book signing, open art studios, and refreshments. Free. Visit www.torpedofactory.org.

Second Thursday Live: Russkie Musikante. 7 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Russkie Musikante is an ensemble of the Washington Balalaika Society. They perform on authentic Russian folk instruments. Tickets are \$15. Visit www.nvfaa.org for more.

The United States Air Force Band-Chamber Players Series. 7:30 p.m. at The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. Members of the

Airmen of Note, led by Technical Sgt. Grant Langford perform "Music for Jazz Combo." Free. Visit www.usafband.af.mil.

THURSDAY-FRIDAY/NOV. 12-13

Colin Hay. 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Former Men at Work band member Colin Hay will celebrate his new album "Next Year People" with a stop on his tour. Tickets are \$39.50. Visit www.birchmere.com.

THURSDAY-SUNDAY/NOV. 12-15

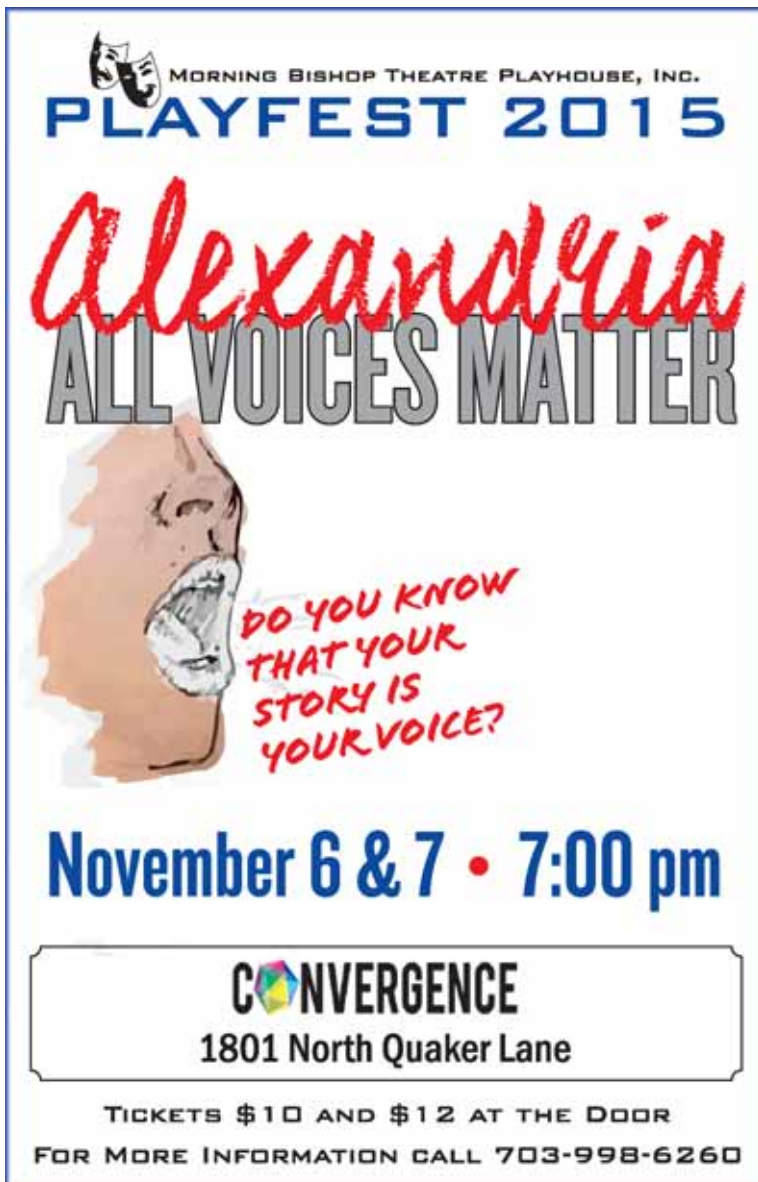
Fall Book Sale. 4-8:30 p.m. members preview on Thursday; 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. on Friday; 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. on Saturday; 1-4:30 p.m. on Sunday at Beatley Central Library, 5005 Duke St. All books are \$3 or less, unless specially marked. Books will be discounted further on Sunday. Call 703-746-1702 for more.

FRIDAY/NOV. 13

NOVA Orchestra Concert. 8-10 p.m. at Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall & Arts Center, 4915 E. Campus Drive. Program highlights will include "Afro-American" Symphony No. 1 by William Grant Still, The Testament of Freedom by Randall Thompson and The Battle Hymn of the Republic by Julia Ward Howe. Tickets are \$20. Call 703-569-0973.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY/NOV. 13-14

"The 39 Steps." 7:30 p.m. at St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School-Chapel/Performing Arts Center, 1000 St. Stephen's Road. St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School will present a comedic version of "The 39 Steps," adapted



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SATURDAY/NOV. 14

Straight from the HeART Craft Fair. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at First Christian Church, 2723 King St. The Craft Fair will feature local artists and craft makers, and accompany a pancake breakfast. Donations accepted, but free to attend. Visit www.fccalexandria.com for more.

Vendor Village Holiday Shopping Extravaganza. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Edison High School, 5801 Franconia Road. The event will feature more than 40 direct sales vendors to include Avon, Scentsy, Tastefully Simple, Tupperware, Thirty-One, Dogs in Style, and Mary Kay. Free. Visit www.alexandriajayceesfoundation.org.

Thanksgiving From 1621 to the Present. 1 p.m. at the Lee Fendall House, 614 Oronoco St. Attendees will learn how Thanksgiving has transformed itself over time from the celebration of Harvest Home as practiced by the Plimoth Plantation settlers in 1621, and discover how the holiday has been influenced by prominent figures such as George Washington, women's magazine editor Sarah Josepha Hale, and Franklin D. Roosevelt. The PowerPoint presentation will be followed by samples of Thanksgiving food from four centuries: a 17th century Native American stew, 18th century Thanksgiving cakes, 19th century Cranberry Tarts, and 20th century Pumpkin Tarts. Tickets are \$15. Visit www.leefendallhouse.org.

"What a Place I Have Found." 1:30 p.m. at Kate Barrett Library, 717

Queen St. In 1862, Julia Wilbur came to Alexandria as a relief worker on behalf of the Rochester Ladies Anti-Slavery Society. Paula Tarnapol Whitacre coordinated the 2013-2014 transcription of Wilbur's diaries by Alexandria Archaeology volunteers. Her presentation will focus on Wilbur's time in Alexandria. Free. Call 703-746-1703 for more.

Cooking Up the Past. 3:30 p.m. at the Lee Fendall House, 614 Oronoco St. Attend an interactive cooking class. Guests will learn how to read recipes from the 19th century and earlier and to recreate them. Historical equipment will be used to churn and wash butter, grind spices, whip eggs, and flavor foods. Tickets are \$25. Visit www.leefendallhouse.org for more.

"Horses & Hounds." 4 p.m. at George Washington's Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway. Watch a simulated fox hunt demonstration on the estate. Learn about the sport of foxhunting and why Washington was known as the greatest horseman of his age. Observe a cavalry demonstration before meeting the horse and hound breeds that Washington loved most. Visit the estate's modern livestock facilities for a chance to meet the horses, dogs, chickens, sheep, pigs, and cattle that call Mount Vernon home. Close the day by watching The Washington Cup, where horses and riders compete in series of judged skill competitions. Admission is \$17 for adults, \$16 for seniors, \$9 for youth ages 6-11, and free for children 5 and under. Visit www.mountvernon.org for more.

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SATURDAY-SUNDAY/NOV. 14-15

"See Between the Lines." 8 p.m. on Saturday, 4 p.m. on Sunday at Dance Place, 3225 8th St. NE, Washington, D.C. Alexandria's Jane Franklin Dance Company will perform work inspired by artwork. Tickets are \$15-30. Visit www.danceplace.org or www.janefranklin.com for more.

SUNDAY/NOV. 15

Dining in Style Tea Program. 1-3:30 p.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Victorian-era specialists Linda Lau and Terry Hooper exhibit a collection of 19th century dining accoutrements and explain how their uses, from practical to whimsical to downright bizarre, reflect the Victorians dining culture. Afterward, enjoy a traditional English afternoon tea served in the 1784 historic house. Adults only. Tickets are \$15 for the program only and \$45 for the program and tea. To make reservations, call 703-941-7987.

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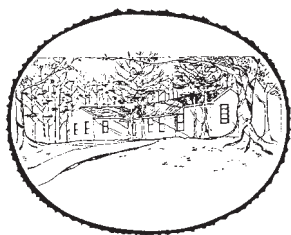
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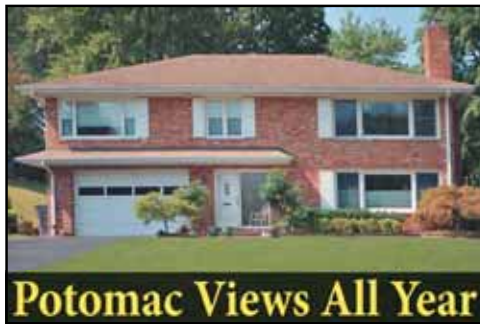
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McConnell's 'Flip Side' Open

Artist Mike McConnell worked for 30 years as an illustrator in the Baltimore and Washington, D.C., area. Now, working mostly in acrylics, McConnell will display his work at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. "Flip Side" will be on view through Dec. 13. The gallery is open Thursday, Friday, and Sunday, 12-4 p.m., and 1-4 p.m. on Saturdays. Admission is free. Visit www.nvfaa.org for more.



Alexandria's History Museum, 201 S. Washington St. The U.S. Air Force Woodwind Quintet and Chamber Trio perform "Music for Chamber Winds." Free. Visit www.usafband.af.mil.

TUESDAY/NOV. 17

STEM Homeschool Program: Pharmacies

Then and Now. 1-2:30 p.m. at Stabler-Leadbeater Apothecary Museum, 105-107 S. Fairfax St. Homeschool students and their families are invited to explore science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) with a monthly program sponsored by the City of Alexandria. Compare the job in the 1800s to today and the learn about some of the chemistry that makes their work possible. Children attend free, adult tickets are \$8. Visit shop.alexandriava.gov for more.

Researching Your WWI Ancestor.

1-3 p.m. at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road. Craig Roberts Scott explains how to do research on individuals who served in "The Great War" in Europe. Free. Visit www.mvgenalogy.org or call 703-768-4101.

Walt Whitman High School Fall Festival.

6:30-8:30 p.m. at Walt Whitman High School, 2500 Parkers Lane. Food, raffles, games, prizes, DJ, and more.

"Proper Cider and its Celtic Origins."

7-9 p.m. at The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. "Proper Cider and its Celtic Origins: From Gaul, Galicia, and Great Britain to America" presented by Albemarle Cider Works Co-Founder and Operating Manager Charlotte Shelton. Cider and cheese reception to follow featuring Albemarle Cider. \$5 suggested donation at the door. RSVP by visit ing.propercider.eventbrite.com.

WEDNESDAY/NOV. 18

Lecture: "Alexandria as a Major Hospital Center."

7:30 p.m. at Church of St. Andrew and St. Margaret, 402 E. Monroe St. Doug Coleman, a native Alexandrian, local lawyer and columnist, will focus on what happened at The Mansion House Hospital, Seminary and L'Ouverture, Washington Street United Methodist Church and convalescent camps. The talk will also touch on Civil War medicine and nursing. Free. Call 703-963-9616 for more.

The United States Air Force Band-Chamber Players Series.

7:30 p.m. at The Lyceum—

THURSDAY/NOV. 19

"Holiday Cheer: Innovative Ideas and Tips for Decorating in the Garden Style." 10 a.m. at Plymouth Haven Baptist Church—Fellowship Hall, 8532 Fort Hunt Road. Laura Dowling, former White House floral designer, is presenting a program on home holiday decorations. Admission is free for members of the Garden Club of Waynewood, \$10 for nonmembers. Contact Dorothy Raduazo at dmdraduazo@cox.net or 703-360-2316.

Pohick Church Christmas Mart. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Pohick Church, 9301 Richmond Highway, Lorton. Find arts and crafts, a consignment shop, and a pantry shelf. The Docent Guild will be leading tours of the church, and a luncheon will be served by women dressed in colonial costumes. Free to attend. Visit www.pohick.org.

FRIDAY/NOV. 20

"Drumming Through the Neighborhoods." 7 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Inspired by the diverse population of Alexandria, percussionist Tom Teasley will present a new work combining the rhythmic languages of Africa, The Middle East, The Far East, India and South America with American jazz and funk. Tickets are \$10. Visit www.nvfaa.org for more.

SATURDAY/NOV. 21

Mount Vernon High School Turkey Trot. 8 a.m. at Mount Vernon High School, 8515 Old Mount Vernon Road. Mount Vernon High School Cares is a non-profit organization that helps the neediest children of the Mount Vernon/Route 1 Corridor. The race has been established for the last five years and has raised over \$20,000. The registration fee is \$20. Visit www.facebook.com/MVCaresTurkeyTrot/.

Gearing up for Thanksgiving Turkey Trots

Local fitness experts suggest a training plan that will get you off the couch in time for Turkey Day.

By MARILYN CAMPBELL
GAZETTE PACKET

When many of us are still in bed early Thanksgiving morning, Susan Colarco will be lacing up her shoes, joining a group of friends and getting ready to hit the road for the Arlington Turkey Trot as she has done for many years past.

"I've run this race more times than I can count and it's always a great time," said Colarco, a Road Runners Club of America certified running coach.

On a day as notorious for sloth and gluttony as it is for gratitude and family, hundreds of thousands of runners across the country pound the pavement to raise money for charity, burn off calories and spend time with friends in what have become known as turkey trots. Running USA, a nonprofit organization for the running industry, reports that the number of people entering races on Thanksgiving Day now surpasses those who race on July 4th.

"[These races] are a great opportunity to get outside, do something in the community and stay active to counter the cold weather and extra helpings of mashed potatoes," said Colarco, who also works as a coach for True Health and Wholeness in Arlington.

While Colarco and her running mates train year-round, there's still time to get in shape and choose a turkey trot this year. "Many competitive and enthusiast runners start with 3 or 5K races," said Richard L. Steele, assistant dean of physical education at Northern Virginia Community College in Alexandria. "I tell most people to pick race that is conveniently located ...



Arlington running coach Susan Colarco will run in the Arlington Turkey Trot on Thanksgiving Day.

or has special meaning to them personally, [like] a charity."

Preparing for a turkey trot usually consists of dietary retooling, aerobic exercise and strength training.

"Typically, the folks I work with run between three and five times a week with some weight training and ... cross-training worked into the schedule," said Colarco. "The distance and intensity vary based on the experience and fitness level of the runner, the goal they are aiming for and any

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— Susan Colarco, certified running coach

injuries they may be working through."

Colarco tailors her training regiment to the environment of the chosen race. "For example, if it's a hilly race, we'll definitely work some hills into the training plan," she

said. "If it's a trail race, we'll leave the nice paved running routes behind and head off road."

"Up your training distance each week, but do it in small amounts," said Steel. "A new runner should aim for three to five days per week of training," he said.

Creating a realistic training schedule that works in harmony with one's daily schedule is the key to becoming race-ready on Turkey Day, says Colarco. "I really try to take into account the fact that most of the runners in this area are working professionals with a lot on their plates. I work with my clients to determine not just what they should be doing, but realistically, what they can do given the stresses of everyday life."

Diet, both on the day of the race and the days and weeks leading to it, is an often-overlooked component of race training. "Eat a high-energy meal about an hour before the race," said Steel. "Eating within an hour can lead to upset stomach. ... You may need to increase your calories, but don't go crazy. If you are eating natural foods, free of artificial fats, added sugars and other chemicals, your body will respond in an amazing

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way." Protecting against injuries that can be sustained from the unrelenting pounding of the pavement, is another important, but often overlooked part of running. "You get an average of about 4,500 blows to your joints over the course of a 5K," said Christian Elliot, a personal trainer and founder of True Health and Wholeness. "Strength training helps your body handle the blows, and there's no downside to having strong muscles." Weight training exercises for the legs should be done two to three days per week, advises Steel. "You can hit the weights at the gym, do Pilates or use body weight, whatever you enjoy. Focus on light to medium resistance with higher repetitions to build muscle endurance; 12 to 15 repetitions, two to three sets for each exercise works well."

"It has been proven that runners who do strength training have fewer knee injuries," added Chance Heare, of Koko FitClub in Herndon, Reston and Great Falls. "Strength training builds the stabilization muscles to support the joints and runners who strength train tend to get fewer injuries and have better endurance."

The most common injuries associated with running are ankle and knee sprains, shin splints, stress fractures, runner's knee and plantar fasciitis. "Sprains and blisters are very common during races," said Steel.

Running shoes play an important part of injury prevention, but "by itself can't prevent all injuries," said Nelson Cortes, Ph.D., an associate professor in the Sports Medicine Assessment, Research & Testing Laboratory at George Mason University in Fairfax. "Everyone has different foot and lower body morphology and it's important that running shoes are appropriate."

In addition, a daily full-body stretching routine "will help with injury prevention and performance," said Steel. "You'll be surprised how much better you feel in general after doing this for about a week or two."

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PEOPLE



Starlet and John Zarek.



Mike Babcock with son Ryland.



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Trick or Treat

Lauren Fisher of Natty Beau Southern Proper Heritage Shop. Boutique shops around Old Town held a special Halloween trick-or-treat event for children.

Halloween Party Celebrates 30 Years

It began when Starlet and John Zarek hosted a neighborhood backyard Halloween celebration when their daughter Kirsten Marie was 2 years old. She's now 32.

Hot dogs and chili were served accompanied by lemonade and apple cider. Neighbors brought favorite dishes to share. Thus

began a Halloween tradition in the Malvern Hill neighborhood that has lasted 30 years. The Zareks never intended the event to last for so many years, but Starlet Zarek said, "When you have such lovely neighbors and you're having fun, it was something we wanted to continue each year."

Several of the neighborhood children

have returned to the party after having their own children and younger families moving into the neighborhood are invited.

The Zareks this year have handed over the baton to carry on the tradition to neighbors Brian and Pam Murphy. Brian Murphy has been the party's hot dog chef for several years.



PHOTOS BY LAURA MAE SUDDER

Maribeth Nyerges of Maribeth's Bakery.



Halloween Block Party

Taylor Run Citizens' Association held its annual Halloween Block Party on Oct. 24. Many local officials and politicians were there including police officers and Sheriff Lawhorne.

PHOTO CONTRIBUTED



Pumpkin by Amanda Traub.

Church Members Offer Random Acts of Kindness

FROM PAGE 5

for someone you don't know," reads the website.

On Oct. 10, unsuspecting patrons of Yates Carwash and Detail Center received free carwashes, and a breakfast of doughnuts and coffee from members of ASBC. Rather than wash the cars, members handed out coupons that allowed patrons to get their cars machine-washed on that day, for free.

"It feels really great. The weather is beautiful. Everyone is in good spirits," said August Slater, a volunteer.

"[Social media] is how I found out about this. I thought, since I'm not doing anything else, why not," said member Jackie Ross. ASBC is using tools like Facebook and Instagram to help spread the word about the campaign, and while these surprise efforts typically excite recipients, not everyone is comfortable accepting such generosity.

"People are shocked and amazed, but some are apprehensive because they are not



Reginald and Linnett Scott were surprised when Pastor Howard-John Wesley approached their car window offering a voucher for a free car wash. Wesley, alongside ASBC members, distributed free vouchers and doughnuts at Yates Carwash and Detail Center.

used to receiving kindness," said Wesley.

"I was turned down by a man who said no thanks and that he didn't need it," said Slater. "I don't see why you'd turn down a free car wash."

One patron admitted to feeling badly about accepting the generosity because she was not Christian.



PHOTOS BY MARISSA BEALE/GAZETTE PACKET

Layda Alvarado and Yates Carwash and Detail Center owner Jorge Mendoza.

The volunteers accompanied Wesley, who also helped hand out coupons. Frequently seen with a doughnut in hand, he laughed and joked about convincing one patron to take the coupon. Wesley frequents the car wash, and one day decided to purchase the car wash of someone in line behind him.

"It's a nice gesture," said Linnett Scott,

who was there early on Saturday. The event lasted from about 8:30 that morning to 11:30, and there were 15 volunteers in attendance.

"The customers were super happy," said owner Jorge Mendoza at the event's conclusion. "This was an awesome idea and event."

Guilty on All Counts

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and loving family above all else.”

Ruthanne Lodato’s husband, Norman Lodato, described the physical, financial, and emotional pains he has suffered after her death. Norman Lodato said he suffers from anxiety in crowds, has trouble driving, and had to retire from his job following his wife’s murder because he found himself unable to concentrate on his work.

“Each night when I get home, I’m extremely sad that Ruthanne isn’t there to share my day with,” said Norman Lodato. “I long for a normal day, where the pain is not so great ... There is no way I can convey to you what Ruthanne has meant to me. She had grit, determination, and loved to have fun. She loved to laugh, loved children, music, the arts, people in general. She was the best mother and partner. She had a strong faith, and she lived it. She believed in teamwork and hard work. She loved me, and for that I am truly grateful. She was a force that can never be replaced or forgotten.”

Anne Harris, wife of Ronald Kirby, took the stand and brought a picture of her with her husband just after he’d given her a bouquet of flowers for her birthday.

“There will never be another Ron Kirby,” Harris said. “He was an extraordinary human being with unique skills ... He was also the handsomest man I’ve ever met. He had a beautiful smile. When our romance began, I was overwhelmed when he told me he loved me. He was the love of my life ... he was everything to me. I’m devastated by the loss of his life in such a senseless way. We had talked about growing old together, and now I will be growing old alone.”

Harris recalled that her last conversation with Kirby, the day of his murder, was over the phone. Harris was stuck in an area of Fairfax she was unfamiliar with, and Kirby had been giving her directions over the phone.

“The last thing he told me was ‘call me if you get lost.’” said Harris. “I’m truly lost without him.”

For the family of Nancy Dunning, the jury’s verdict was the end of a mystery and an ordeal that lasted over a decade. When the jury returned the guilty verdict, Elizabeth Dunning, daughter of Nancy Dunning, wept and embraced her brother Chris Dunning. In addition to resolving the murder of their mother, Elizabeth Dunning said after the trial that the verdict clears the cloud of unfair suspicion that had haunted her father. James Dunning, an Alexandria Sheriff and wife of Nancy Dunning, had been considered a suspect by detectives early in the investigation. James Dunning died in 2012 at his South Carolina residence. When asked afterwards about the suspicions surrounding James Dunning, Porter said that it had been a difficult situation.

“In 2005, I couldn’t tell you what I would have thought,” said Porter, “but from the bottom of my heart, I’m happy to remove this cloud of suspicion.”

The Dunning family requested privacy to move forward with their lives, but during



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Elizabeth and Chris Dunning, the children of Nancy Dunning.

the impact statements, Elizabeth Dunning shared a reflection on how her mother’s murder had impact her life.

“We miss her more than I can say,” said Elizabeth Dunning. “She never met my husband or my boys. It breaks my heart to imagine all the ways she would love and support them. I can see the shape of that absence as clear as any object in this room... Someday, I’m going to have to tell my boys about their grandma about what happened here. I want to tell her boys that they don’t need to be afraid, that this evil man won’t be able to hurt them.”

For the Alexandria Police, the verdict brought three of Alexandria’s most infamous unsolved murders to a close.

“I am extremely proud of the dedicated men and women of the Alexandria Police Department and the time and effort they put in over the course of 11 years to bring these three cases to trial,” said Alexandria Chief of Police Earl Cook. “Thankfully, this verdict officially gives closure for the families of Nancy Dunning, Ron Kirby and Ruthanne Lodato.”

James Entas, one of the two Assistant Attorneys General, closed the prosecution with an argument for the maximum sentence.

“It is fitting that you deliberated over Halloween, because you have delivered justice to a monster,” said Entas. “He did accomplish what he set out to do; to deliver chaos and terror to the elites, in his words, but [also] to the entire city... The only way to finish your job of delivering justice is to give the defendant every second of every minute of every day and every penny of every dollar of every fine.”

Chris Leibig, an attorney representing Severance, tried one last time for the jury to see Severance as more than a killer.

“You’ve heard a lot about evil and monsters and such,” said Leibig. “Some people want there to be monsters and evil, but even if there, Mr. Severance is not that. People are born with a condition, it’s not their fault.” But the jury was not feeling merciful and recommended Severance be given three life sentences, plus 48 years, and fines of up to \$400,000. According to Porter, the death penalty had been considered in the case but was ruled out due to the mental health component of the case. Final sentencing will take place on Jan. 22.

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'New Day' for Alexandria

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tion of new development exceeding the scale and character of neighborhoods has come up throughout the city. In the West End, the question came in the form of BRAC 133 in the Braddock neighborhood. Along King Street, it was the expansion of Woodbine with a memory care facility. The most vocal clash between the two candidates was over the Robinson Terminal South and other new developments along Alexandria's waterfront. Euille fought for the projects as part of the city's goals of transforming the waterfront while Silberberg attacked them as dwarfing the nearby historic homes.

In her victory speech Tuesday night, Silberberg also said the city needed to focus on its swelling debt. The question of debt is one that had been brought up before during the City Council debates, usually with Republicans attacking the incumbent council for allowing it to swell to more than \$500 million, with an additional \$200 million anticipated for the construction of the Potomac Yard Metro Station.

Another major topic of the Silberberg campaign was "restoring public trust" which resulted in the announcement of one of the mayor-elect's first policy initiatives the night of the election.

"In January ... I will establish an ethics commission," said Silberberg. "We must do that. We need citizens to take a look, for a couple months, at what we're doing, how we're doing it, best practices across the country, and see how they handle their financial disclosure rules and financial conflicts of interest. If I know that a person is bringing business before the City Council as a developer, I return their checks. My opponent did not ... I hope that the ethics commission can take a look at all these issues and bring recommendations to the City Council. We'll take action from there."

The announcement was timely given Euille's disclosure at an Oct. 17 City Council public hearing that his campaign had received donations from a developer at Robinson Terminal North but that he would not be recusing himself from the vote.

"It takes money to run campaigns," said Euille in a previous interview with the Gazette Packet. "When I make decisions, it has nothing to do with whether or how much a developer contributed."

But Frank Shafroth, director of the Center for State and Local Leadership at George Mason University, said it may have come down to something more basic than an issue like development or debt.

"[Among] the voters with whom I spoke during the vote ... nary a one spoke about a different policy or policy differences they discerned between the mayor-elect and Mayor Euille," said Shafroth. "The comments were almost always 'he's served for a long time' [or] 'it's time for someone new.' No supporter of either candidate with whom I spoke described yesterday's election as a referendum on policy. Therefore what I found interesting was the interest [is] in a new face on a Democratic slate rather than some change in policy direction for Alexandria. The party,



Alexandria Mayor-elect Allison Silberberg, center, poses for a photo with campaign co-chairs Eileen Cassidy Rivera and Laura Mandal.



Campaign volunteer Ginny Hines Parry records the precinct results in the race for mayor at the election night headquarters for Allison Silberberg.

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JOHN BORDNER

indeed, was handing out a slate ... that was more a 'stay-the-course' rather than the kinds of changes proposed by other slates and candidates."

Shafroth also noted that the mayoral position is just one of seven votes on the City Council.

"Finally, it is valuable to remember that Alexandria is not a "strong mayor" city; so the mayor can set the tone and preside at council sessions, but has no more votes or authority than any other member of the council — unlike, say, Washington, D.C., New York, Indianapolis, etc."

But while the position of mayor may be a largely symbolic face of the city, for the last 12 years, that face has been Euille.

The Silberberg event at Los Tios Grill in Del Ray was packed to standing-room only with supporters. Across town, the Euille campaign headquarters on North Fairfax Street was a much quieter scene. The mayor appeared intermittently throughout the evening as, he went around town thanking voters and supporters.

There were two types of supporters present. The majority were pro-Euille, but several were mostly anti-Silberberg. Early in the evening the latter shared videos of over-zealous Silberberg campaign workers and already began theorizing about ways to challenge the results, but when the votes started coming in, it was the supporters who had been with Euille since his early days who stayed around to see things through.

Nearly 50 years ago, James Henson voted Euille for the outstanding student award at T.C. Williams High School. At the time, Henson said he saw a young man who was able to be many places and do many things for his community, and 50 years later, he said that hasn't changed.

"He's a local boy who made good," said Henson. "You definitely can't say that Bill Euille wasted his life pursuing false hopes ... he's held his head high."

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Alexandria Election Results

Unofficial results as of Wednesday morning, Nov. 4, 2015.
* indicates incumbent

Candidate	Votes	Percentage
Mayor		
Allison Silberberg (D)	16,554	63.05%
Write-In	9,702	36.95%
Alexandria City Council		
Top 5 vote-getters take office		
Justin M. Wilson (D)*	15,815	11.68%
John Taylor Chapman (D)*	15,402	11.37%
Paul C. Smedberg (D)*	14,880	10.99%
Redella S. "Del" Pepper (D)*	14,696	10.85%
Timothy B. Lovain (D)*	14,563	10.75%
Willie F. Bailey Sr. (D)	13,482	9.95%
John R. "Bob" Wood (R)	11,532	8.51%
Monique A. Miles (R)	11,260	8.31%
Fernando M. Torrez (R)	9,349	6.90%
Townsend A. Van Fleet (R)	8,384	6.19%
D. Phil Cefaratti (I)	5,366	3.96%
Alexandria School Board District A		
Top 3 take office		
Karen A. Graf*	7,112	36.22%
William E. "Bill" Campbell*	6,354	32.36%
Henry E. "Hal" Cardwell	5,753	29.30%
Alexandria School Board District B		
Top 3 take office		
Veronica R. Nolan	5,978	26.24%
C. M. "Cindy" Anderson*	4,755	20.87%
Margaret Lorber	4,231	18.57%
Mimi L. Goff	3,818	16.76%
Kelly Carmichael Booz*	3,750	16.46%
Alexandria School Board District C		
Top 3 take office		
Christopher J. Lewis*	2,801	25.12%
Ronnie M. Campbell*	2,514	22.54%
Ramee A. Gentry	1,933	17.33%
Daria S. Dillard	1,903	17.06%
Patricia-Ann "Pat" Hennig*	1,889	16.94%

Virginia Senate Results

Unofficial results as of Wednesday morning, Nov. 4, 2015.
* indicates incumbent

Candidate	Votes	Percentage
District 30		
Adam P. Ebbin (D)*	27,207	76.72%
J. Ron Fisher (I)	7,420	20.92%
District 35		
Richard L. "Dick" Saslaw (D)*	18,733	74.46%
Terry W. Modglin (I)	6,046	24.03%
District 39		
George Lincoln Barker (D)*	19,966	53.75%
Joseph R. Murray (R)	17,093	46.02%

House of Delegates

Unofficial results as of Wednesday morning, Nov. 4, 2015.
* indicates incumbent

Candidate	Votes	Percentage
District 45		
Mark H. Levine (D)	15,987	95.08%
Unopposed		
District 46		
Charniele L. Herring (D)*	7,488	66.98%
Sean T. Lenehan (R)	3,161	28.27%
Andrew G. "Andy" Bakker (I)	502	4.49%

Democrats Maintain Unanimous Hold on Council

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For Henson, a 79-year-old retired attorney and one of the authors of "African-Americans of Alexandria," there was a sense of historic importance for the night. Euille, who wrote the foreword to the book, is the first African-American mayor of Alexandria. Win or lose, Henson said that Euille has always been a role model for many people in the city.

Dennis Auld, who sat next to Henson at the campaign headquarters, had campaigned for Euille at the polls during the day and said that he saw a lot of confusion firsthand.

"People go to the poll with the intent to write-in," said Auld, "but for many, it was more complicated than they had initially expected."

Auld, who had been volunteering at the Braddock precinct, said that the elections officials had sent some voters back outside to get more information when they had expressed surprise that the City Council candidates were not marked with their party designations.

The first results from City Hall came in early in the evening, showing roughly 60 percent support for Silberberg and 30 percent write-ins. Exactly how many write-ins were for Euille, or some close variation of that name, would take days to sort through, but the total number of write-ins had to exceed the volume of votes for Silberberg for Euille's write-in campaign to have a chance.

But that didn't happen. "It doesn't look good," Auld remarked, "but it is what it is."

There was still some traces of optimism in the crowd of volunteers early in the night.

"He has to win tonight," said Marrett Ceo. "He's done so much for this city. He's got spirit ... even if you hate him, you have to respect him."

But as the results approached 70 percent of the precincts reporting in, and Silberberg with 65 percent of the vote, the mood began to turn. Among the supporters, there were murmurs of "we put up a good fight" and "write-in campaigns are hard." Once it was all over, Silberberg won with 63 percent of the vote.

Hardly anyone spoke as Euille entered the room full of volunteers. He shook each of their hands and quietly thanked them individually.

"We ran a professional and visible campaign," said Euille. "We drew out a lot of



Vice Mayor Allison Silberberg addresses supporters at her victory party Nov. 3 at Los Tios Grille. Silberberg easily won the race for mayor despite a high-profile write-in campaign from four-term incumbent Mayor Bill Euille.

PHOTO BY JOHN BORDNER



Bill Euille speaks with his supporters after election defeat.



Bill Euille embraces his supporters after Silberberg's victory.

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votes, and as a Democrat, I'm happy we kept the slate intact."

Euille noted that he's still young enough to do other things, but didn't specify his plans beyond continuing to work in advocating for affordable housing.

In contrast, the mood at the Democratic victory party at Pork Barrel Barbecue was

one of unmitigated celebration. Silberberg stood at the head of the row of triumphant Democratic candidates for City Council. She thanked Euille for his service to the city and asked for his help and advice during the transition.

"We have to come together to work across all lines to fix these challenges that face our

city," said Silberberg.

Despite Euille's formal departure from the Democratic Party of Alexandria, Silberberg invited Euille to speak and he was greeting with cheers.

"I'm not going anywhere," Euille said. "After 21 years, I can now attend public hearings and say what I want to say."

Councilman Justin Wilson became vice mayor with 11.68 percent of the City Council votes, barely edging out Councilman John Chapman at 11.37 percent of the votes, the two men only 413 votes apart. It was a topic of mock-contention between the two, with Chapman ultimately saying there's no one he'd rather lose the position to.

"We heard mistruths ... and we responded with clear eyed vision," Wilson shouted to the crowd. "I'd say tomorrow, but really tonight, we're getting to work."

Perhaps the loudest cheer of the night, though, was for Willie Bailey. Bailey prevailed over lead Republican John "Bob" Wood by less than 2,000 votes. For Bailey, the celebration at Pork Barrel Barbecue was a return to neighborhood he grew up in.

"Growing up here in Del Ray, back when it wasn't the nicest place, I never knew one day I would be able to run for City Council," said Bailey. "I wondered a lot if I was ready for the job."

But every time I heard the Republicans talking about the city going to hell in a handbasket, I'd look over at the NSA and TSA headquarters coming in, and they wouldn't be here if Alexandria were going to hell."

Bailey thanked Sheriff Dana Lawhorne and his wife Linda Lawhorne for their support and encouragement to run for City Council. Bailey said the first campaign meeting that he held was in Dana Lawhorne's living room. Bailey also thanked the Alexandria Democratic Committee and Zak Sabil, his campaign manager.

"It's a double-edged sword, not being an established candidate," said Sabil. "We had to send out a lot of emails and knock on a lot of doors. I kept telling Bailey there's no secret, you just have to go one door at time."

Dana Lawhorne said he was proud of Bailey and the other Democratic candidates, but also made special note of Euille. "I'm grateful to Euille for his service," said Dana Lawhorne. "I want to congratulate him on all he's done for us. Tomorrow, it's a new day for Alexandria."

Jeanne Theismann contributed to this story.

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TC Field Hockey Secures State Berth

Titans will face Westfield in region championship game.

BY JON ROETMAN
GAZETTE PACKET

It started as a pass with the hope that a teammate would score via deflection. As it turned out, T.C. Williams senior Philomena Fitzgerald didn't need any help finding the back of the cage.

Fitzgerald received a corner insertion near the top of the circle in the second half before blasting a pass-turned-shot past the Fairfax goalkeeper. Fitzgerald's goal proved to be the difference as the T.C. Williams field hockey team defeated defending region champion Fairfax 1-0 during the 6A North region tournament semifinals on Tuesday night at Minnie Howard.

The Titans secured a state tournament berth and will face Westfield in the region championship game at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 5 at Westfield High School.

After a scoreless first half, Fitzgerald capitalized on a corner, scoring with 20:21 remaining in the contest.

Senior Alex Milliken inserted the corner before moving over to the near post. Fitzgerald sent the ball from the top of the circle, sneaking it inside the near post for a goal.

"I was actually looking to pass near post and hopefully someone would deflect it in," Fitzgerald said. "... I was like, 'Wait, was that me?' because I thought Alex might have hit it in. And then when everyone looked to me, I was just like, 'Oh, my pass is a shot and now it's a goal! I'll take it! I'll take it!'"

T.C. Williams head coach William Heresniak said the corner didn't play out as designed, but Fitzgerald, the Conference 7 Player of the Year, made something happen.

"The reason we have Phil receive on corners is she's a great QB," Heresniak said. "When something's covered up in regards to an option not being there for us, she puts the ball where it needs to be. We kind of just stayed with the possession of the ball and she just put it in."

After taking the lead, T.C. Williams survived a late push from Fairfax that included three corners in the final two minutes.

"They just didn't play their 'A' game and they really decided to only play the last 9 minutes of the game," Fairfax head coach Amber Beaudoin said about her team. "I think if they had played with that kind of fire and intensity throughout the game, it would have been a different story. You saw them turn it up and then the other team was just backpedaling and reeling from the pressure — and some of that was me. I should have changed the scheme sooner than I did. I waited too long and that's on me. But some of it's on [the players]. They need to know when to ratchet up the intensity."

Beaudoin said T.C. Williams fans had an



Members of the T.C. Williams field hockey team celebrate during their 1-0 victory over Fairfax during the 6A North region semifinals on Tuesday night at Minnie Howard.

impact on the game.

"It's a tough fence-line to play here and I warned my kids: it's a tough place to play when their community is behind a team because they've never been some place," Beaudoin said. "It's a tough thing to surmount. I thought that [Fairfax players] were able to do it to some extent, but it was difficult. They came off the field at halftime really saying, 'I can't hear; it's too loud. [We] can't hear each other; it's too loud.' I really think their fans were a real 12th man and a factor in today's game."

T.C. Williams goalkeeper Sarah Leckman finished with five saves. Heresniak praised the performance of sophomore defender Isabella Diz, a first-team all-conference selection.

Fairfax ended its season with a 15-5-1 record. The Rebels won their seventh consecutive Liberty District/Conference 6 championship along the way.

T.C. Williams, which recently won its first conference/district title since 1995, improved its record to 21-1 and extended its win streak to 17 games. A victory over Westfield on Thursday would result in the



T.C. Williams senior Philomena Fitzgerald scored the lone goal in the Titans' victory over Fairfax on Tuesday.

program's first region championship.

"If we can get a win on Thursday, we'd be making history," Heresniak said. "It's a great group of kids: there's no selfishness, there's no egos, it's just a bunch of kids who have jelled together who are playing as a team and everybody understands what their job is and we're just playing hockey."

Westfield defeated Woodson 4-0 in Tuesday's other region semifinal contest. The Bulldogs are 19-2, won the Conference 5 championship and have not lost to a team from the 6A North region.

Westfield is also a perennial power, having earned its fourth state tournament berth in the last five seasons. The Bulldogs won the 6A state championship in 2013.

"That's the past," Heresniak said. "I'm looking at Thursday. They're going to be looking at Thursday."

Will the Titans be intimidated by Westfield?

"I think with everything that we've done, we're past that," Heresniak said. "I think we're starting to understand who we are and when we just work together and we fight, good things happen."

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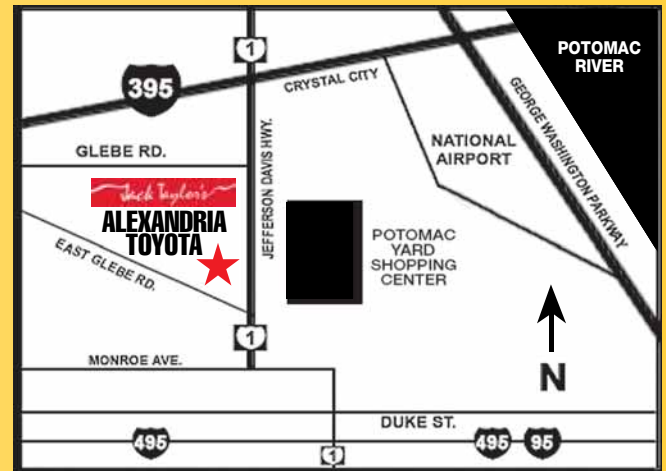
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