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T.C. students throw their caps into the air at graduation.

## 50 Years at T.C. Williams

**Class of 2016 Graduation marks the school's 50th anniversary and the end of Principal Dingle's first year.**

BY VERNON MILES  
GAZETTE PACKET

According to Principal Dr. Jesse Dingle, life at T.C. Williams High School is a kaleidoscope. It's constantly moving and shifting, full of every imaginable form of diversity. Dingle described the days at the school as fast paced, with faculty and students darting from class to class, administrators like Dingle stopping in, and a variety of guest speakers coming and going from the school. It's a year of organized chaos that culminated last Saturday in the class of 2016's graduation.

Six hundred and sixty-seven students graduated from T.C. Williams on June 18 at a packed ceremony in George Mason University's Eaglebank Arena, representing 92 percent of the senior class. Thirty-six more students will be eligible to graduate over the summer. The class of 2016 also

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Superintendent Alvin Crawley with the family of Cameron Evans.

## Cutting Out City Council?

**Backlash follows proposed changes to city's charter.**

BY VERNON MILES  
GAZETTE PACKET

In the span of one docket item, City Council voted to yield more approval powers to city staff, but were more wary of a proposal that would give final approval powers to the Planning Commission. At the City Council meeting on June 18, staff piggybacked a proposal to amend the city's charter onto a text amendment that would delegate City Council's discretionary approval to the Planning Commission.

The main text amendment approved in a 6-1 vote expanded the city staff's administrative review powers, meaning changes to a business's operations that doesn't require them to seek City Council approval. Taryn Toyama from the Department of Planning and Zoning said the amendments work to make Alexandria more business friendly, with lower application fees and reduced review items.

Administrative Special Use Permits are approved at a staff level, which is a 30-day process and can cost between \$250 - \$325. Full Special Hearings before the Planning Commission and the City Council, on the other hand, can take three months and cost ap-

proximately \$575.

Items that can now be approved by staff include minor changes for restaurants, the amount of delivery vehicles a restaurant can receive, and the number of cars stored in an industrial zone. Private commercial schools and retail and personal services in a W-1 zone formerly required Special Use Permits but can now be considered permitted uses.

Toyama made particular note, however, that parking reductions would not be included in the administrative review.

"This is about providing businesses certainty," said Councilman John Chapman. "We can't do things in a quick, hurried fashion all the time, but we need to provide certainty where we can."

Several local economic leaders spoke in favor of the text amendments, notably Maria Ciarrocchi, vice president for public policy with the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce, and Stephanie Landrum, CEO of the Alexandria Economic Development Partnership (AEDP). Landrum said the text amendments make it easier for Alexandria to bring in smaller amenities, like day care and yoga facilities, which in turn Landrum says draw

**"This is about providing businesses certainty."**

— Councilman  
John Chapman

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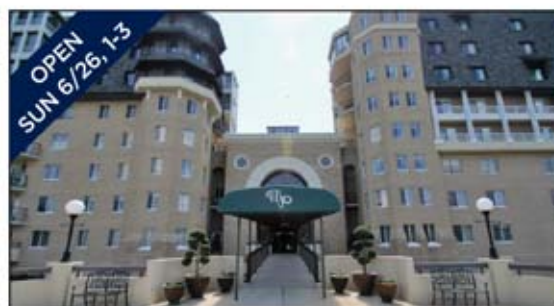
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# Market Square Hosts Vigil for Orlando

Community calls  
for action.

BY EVAN JENKINS  
GAZETTE PACKET

**M**oms Demand Action of Northern Virginia in collaboration with Northern Virginia Pride gathered a little over a hundred supporters in Market Square in Old Town Alexandria on June 15 to raise tea lights and remember the victims of the shooting at the Pulse nightclub in Orlando, Fla.

The vigil and rally had speakers from the Northern Virginia community such as Mayor Allison Silberberg and the Rev. William Bradley Roberts of the Virginia Theological Seminary. Supporters in the audience held signs with sayings such as, “EveryTown for Gun Safety” and “Whatever it Takes.” The podium had a sign that read “We can end gun violence.”

The vigil was held to pray, to cry, and to remember. Moms Demand Action, however, believes that crying and praying aren’t enough, and implores people to take action by reaching out to their local representatives and joining organizations such as MDA to push for better gun control legislation. “We need to end the moments of silence that take place in Congress after mass shootings,” said Del. Mark Levine, (D-45). “Thoughts and prayers are no longer good enough.”

Brian Reach, president and executive director of Northern Virginia Pride, said, “This is our generation’s Stonewall. For a lot of people it was a wake-up call that there are still a lot of problems that need to be addressed.”

In the Alexandria community, the Northern Virginia chapter of the Gay, Lesbian, and Straight Education Network, or GLSEN, works to champion LGBT issues and pro-



Supporters at the vigil listened to songs and speeches as they held candles.

mote inclusiveness in schools from K-12 by partnering with educational programs. “The LGBT community is still under attack in this country,” says David Aponte, chair of GLSEN Northern Virginia, “with students [we] want to feel that they can feel safe in social settings ... . A huge support is staying active in these situations and not just letting it be a headline.”

For more information visit [MomsDemandAction.org](http://MomsDemandAction.org), [novapride.org](http://novapride.org), [GLSEN.org](http://GLSEN.org), or [everytown.org](http://everytown.org).

**Monika Jones, Jordan Costen, Marco Henderson, and Derrick Petit came out in support of the vigil.**



Vigil attendees were given electronic tea lights to raise in support of the victims of the Orlando shooting.



Parents and community members from the Alexandria area received signs to show support for the cause.





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# News



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**Current state of the King Street-Beauregard intersection: Small sidewalks sit close to oncoming traffic and crosswalks are nonexistent.**



**Plans for the intersection widened the road, placed a median to separate lanes, added an extra lane, added crosswalks and increased distances between pedestrians and traffic.**

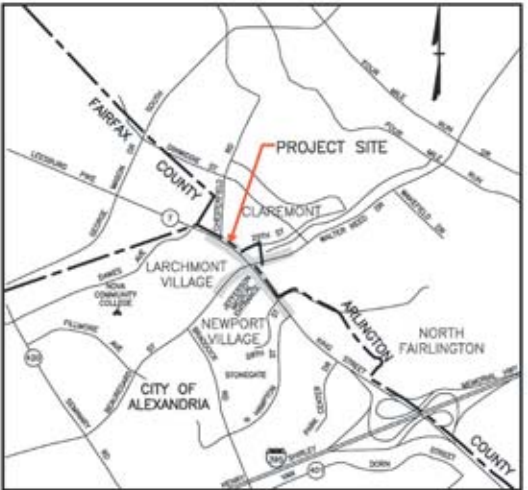
## King Street-Beauregard Street Improvement Begins

Project seeks to increase pedestrian safety and reduce commute time.

BY SEAN JONES  
GAZETTE PACKET

The Alexandria City Council met at the intersection of King Street and North Beauregard Street to hold a groundbreaking ceremony, signaling the start of improvements to be made

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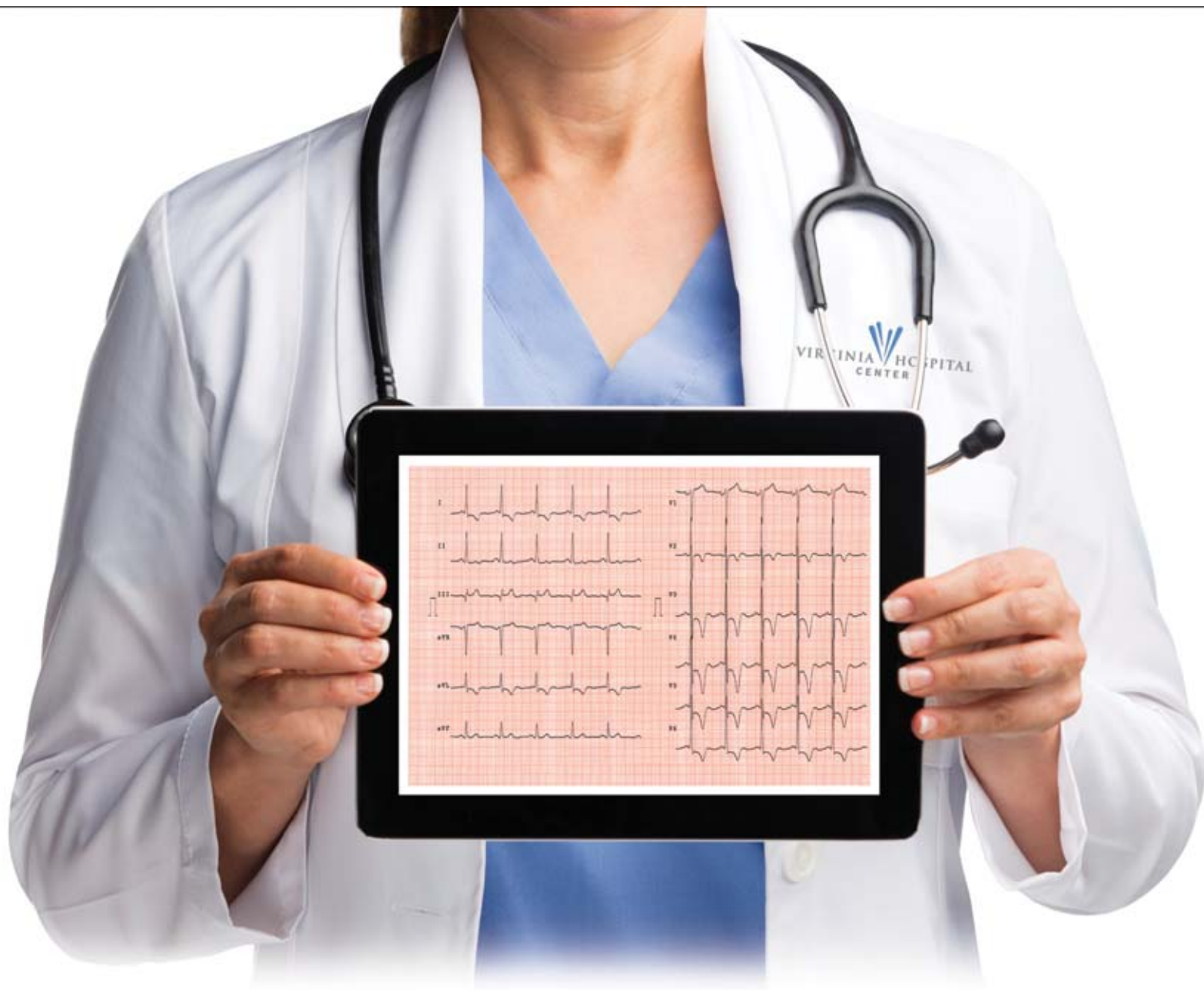


**The improvement site is located at the Alexandria border with Arlington and Fairfax counties.**



**Alexandria City Council breaks dirt on the King Street-Beauregard Improvement Project**





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# Class of 2016 Bids Farewell to T.C. Williams

FROM PAGE 1

marked the 50th class to graduate from T.C. Williams High School.

While the graduations don't normally have commencement speakers, to mark the 50th anniversary, U.S. Secretary of Education John B. King Jr. spoke to the graduating class and laid out the challenges facing them after their graduation.

"We need to keep building that 'more perfect union,' for ourselves and our neighbors," said King. "We need to heal the heartbreak in places like Ferguson, Baltimore, and Flint, and end the injustices that cause these tragedies. We need to fix our broken immigration system, and give DREAMers and their families paths to citizenship. We need to fight poverty and climate change. We need to build strong multi-racial, multi-cultural, multi-lingual communities that celebrate diversity and collaborate to solve big challenges. As T.C. graduates, you are prepared to shape how we confront these issues."

For many of the students in the crowd, life at T.C. Williams has already been defined by helping others. Sidrah Hamid is currently a sophomore at T.C. Williams and was there to see her older sister, Khadijah Hamid, graduate. Sidrah and Khadijah both take leadership classes at T.C. Williams and wound up in the same class, where Sidrah Hamid says her older sister helped her.

"I'm so proud, I can't put it into words," said Sidrah Hamid. "She guided me and helped me, she was my support system."

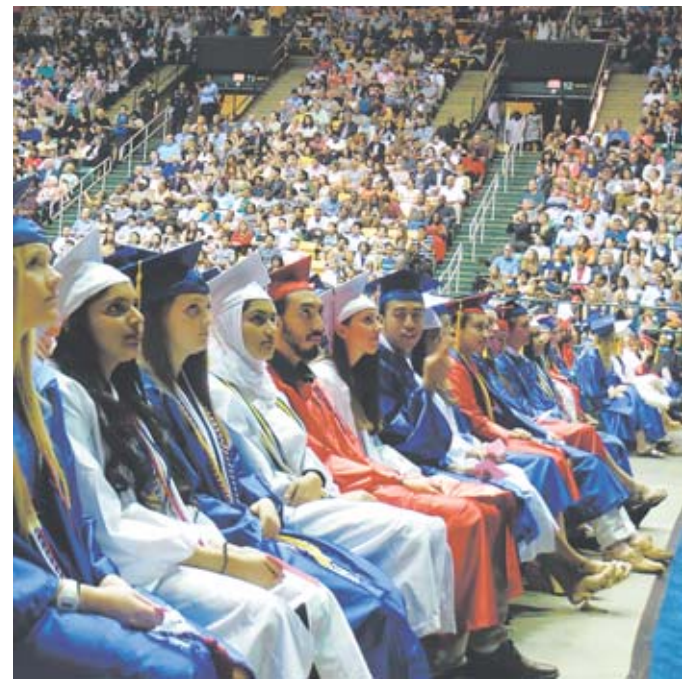
A few rows up, Tim Gray scanned the crowd for his daughter, Jessica Gray. Tim Gray described the moment as one of overwhelming excitement. After his daughter's freshman year, he recalled her taking a trip with a wilderness program that brought her out to rural Utah, where she camped in the high desert for three months. Tim Gray said the experience was transformative for his daughter, and she ended up with all A's in her last semester of her senior year. Tim Gray said his daughter wants to study to be a math teacher and benefited from a school program that allowed seniors to go to Hammond Middle School and help teach in classrooms.



Dr. Jesse Dingle greets Laura Wilcox, 2016 valedictorian.



Secretary of Education John B. King Jr. speaks to T.C. Williams students.



T.C. Williams students at the 2016 graduation

"It's a great experience," Tim Gray said. "It really taught her about the other side of the classroom."

Both Khadijah Hamid and Jessica Gray will be attending George Mason University in the fall.

John Dill said his son Leo Bekele's experience at T.C. was a mix of ups and downs. Bekele not only attended school, but works part time, volunteered, and helped take care of some of his older family members. Dill said he was proud of his son for pushing through the challenges. Bekele will be attending Virginia Commonwealth University to study real estate.

"It's awesome," Dill said of the graduation, "The day is finally here."

For other parents, it was also a day tinged with sorrow. Bennie and Dina Evans accepted a diploma on behalf of their son, Cameron Evans, who committed suicide in 2013 during his sophomore year at the

school. As they accepted the degree, the entire graduating class stood and applauded.

"It let me know that my son's memory is still alive," said Dina Evans. "He was loved by this community."

While the graduation marked the end of T.C. Williams High School's 50th year, it also marked the end of Dingle's first. Dingle took the reins at T.C. Williams High School in 2015 after Suzanne Maxey retired.

"There's a lot of anticipation when you come into a new situation, you're worried about how you're going to do," said Dingle. "But it's gone well. It feels good."

There's a few things to finish up before the school year is officially over, but Dingle says he's already beginning to look back at the ups and downs of his first year.

"When people first found out [that I was going to be the principal], people reached out with support and pride," said Dingle. "[I was] surprised by the sheer volume of our students. We are the high school of Alexandria. I was used to reading about the international community here, but once you see that diversity, it's so cool to hear all the different voices and see all the different skin colors come together."

Dingle said the diversity at the school is one of his favorite things about being there, and says it's one of the most important ways in which the school prepares students for the real world. But while Dingle cites the school's diversity as one of its greatest strengths, it has also come with its share of challenges. Over several years, students have complained about a punitive system that seems to target students of color. A contingent within the student population have actively lobbied the Alexandria City Public Schools to implement restorative practices that limit suspensions and other disciplinary actions.

Dingle says the students advocating for a reform to the school's disciplinary programs have found an ally in him.

"I'm completely on board for restorative practices," said Dingle. "I never want our students to not be in school. If a child is in school, academically he's going to do better. But just like anything you want to fully and deeply implement, it takes time, anywhere between two to five years if we want that to become entrenched as a part of your culture. [But students should know,] this principal is truly committed to seeing that happen."

## Backlash Follows Proposed Changes to City's Charter

FROM PAGE 1

in the "bigger fish," clients that fill larger commercial spaces.

At the end of the presentation for the text amendment, staff rolled out the beginnings of a larger proposal that could change the basic structure of city government. The proposal was a charter amendment that would give final approval authority for non-development, use-based SUPs to the Planning Commission. These would be special use permits for things like amusement enterprises, auto service stations, and drive-through restaurants. City Council would still

have final authority over non-use based SUPs, meaning items that require height, zone, or parking modifications, and Toyama said staff was currently working on a potential appeals process that would allow residents affected by a Special Use Permit change to take the issue directly to City Council.

The Charter Amendment would create a shortened review cycle while maintaining the public hearings for changes to local businesses.

As a change to the city's charter, it would require approval by the Virginia General Assembly. But several in the community, and

on the City Council, were disturbed by the implications of the change.

Local civic activists Jack Sullivan and Amy Slack spoke regarding concerns that the Planning Commission, a non-elected body, would become the final authority for many business proposals. Slack, who previously chaired the Del Ray Citizen Association's Land Use Committee, said that she'd seen how any organization that opposes a special use permit or asks for conditions is immediately labelled anti-business and is publicly ridiculed.

"When [a special use permit] would come in it was considered already settled," said

Slack. "We'd say 'let's just walk away from it, let's not worry about it ... let's not talk about it.' So we never contested them. We never made a stink about it because of our reputation as being anti-business."

Slack wasn't alone. The charter change was a proposal, not an item to be voted on, but Mayor Allison Silberberg and Councilmen Paul Smedberg, Redella "Del" Pepper, Timothy Lovain, and John Chapman all expressed their disapproval of the proposed charter change.

"I don't feel comfortable with charter change," said Smedberg, "and I don't feel like staff should waste time pursuing it."





Commencement recessional for St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School's graduates.



PHOTOS CONTRIBUTED

From left: SSSAS Board Chair Clay Perfall; Head of School Kirsten Adams; Commencement Speaker Lee Fifer '61; and the Rev. Sean Cavanaugh, chaplain.



Valedictorian Isabel Shaw addresses her classmates.

## SSSAS Graduates Look to Future

St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School celebrated the Commencement of the 115 members of the Class of 2016 on Saturday, June 11 on the grounds of Virginia Theological Seminary.

Academic honors include two National Merit finalists, two semi-finalists, and 15 commended scholars; and 22 seniors were inducted into the Cum Laude Society. More

than one third of the class was offered college scholarships or merit aid. Three members of the class received military appointments. Three seniors won the Alexandria and Arlington division of the Virginia Math League, and two seniors received a Cappies performing arts award. Thirty three athletes will be continuing with their sports at the collegiate level, representing 10 sports.



Danae Awai-Gibbs receives her diploma from Head of School Kirsten Adams.

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## PETS

# Volunteering at Animal Shelter Still Rewarding

**Dog lover Ellen Flynn sets record at 45 years volunteering.**

BY BARBARA S. MOFFET  
ANIMAL WELFARE LEAGUE OF ALEXANDRIA

If the thousands of dogs who have passed through the Vola Lawson Animal Shelter over the last four decades could talk, many would recall the calm voice and gentle hand of volunteer Ellen Flynn. Ms. Flynn first served as a volunteer at the original Alexandria shelter location on South Payne Street, beginning in September 1971. “I took my sick dog into the shelter and immediately liked the place — and decided to volunteer,” Ms. Flynn remembers. She never left.

Ms. Flynn soon became a fixture of the volunteer corps and especially enjoyed taking care of the dogs. In those days, she said, volunteers did nearly everything — bathing dogs in a big tub, walking them along a nearby canal, and helping put on the “canine games,” an annual fundraiser featuring competitive events for dogs that took place in a park under the Woodrow Wilson Bridge. Besides volunteering, Ms. Flynn served for several years on the board of the Animal Welfare League of Alexandria (AWLA), which operates the shelter.

Some 150 volunteers assist the AWLA staff today, many of them having dedicated hundreds of hours to the shelter over the course of several years. Volunteers do just about everything that’s needed to keep a



PHOTO BY AWLA

**Longtime volunteers Eleo Worth (left) and Ellen Flynn. Flynn has served the Animal Welfare League of Alexandria for 45 years.**

busy animal shelter going — socializing animals, helping with adoptions, cleaning cages, keeping up with laundry and working at special events, among other duties.

These days Ms. Flynn can be found at the shelter on Monday afternoons, helping to socialize the dogs who are waiting for adoption and assisting would-be adopters. “I love being up-close and personal with dogs — I just think ‘dog,’” Ms. Flynn said. She also organizes the donation jars positioned in shops around Alexandria to benefit the shelter.

Eleo Worth is another pillar of the shelter’s volunteer program. Ms. Worth became interested in the Payne Street shelter in the 1970s after adopting two cats there, and 40 years later she still puts in a weekly shift in the shelter’s cat room, helping to socialize and adopt out felines. Ms. Worth, who also served on the AWLA board a few decades back, recalls that at the Payne Street shelter cats didn’t wait in spacious

cages to be adopted, as they do now; instead, they roamed free in a zone known as “kitty city.” Ms. Worth volunteered with both cats and dogs in those days, a time when many unwanted animals were euthanized. She added that the old shelter didn’t have a foster program like the one that thrives today, preparing newborn kittens and puppies and other special-needs animals for adoption.

Ms. Worth has kept coming back for 40 years because, she says, it’s been such rewarding work: “If I can help make an animal happy, it’s much more likely to be adopted.”

AWLA’s volunteer cadre lost a key veteran player this spring. Nancy Posey, who died in April at age 86, had served at the shelter for more than 28 years and continued to work at the front desk until just a few months before her death. Ms. Posey had a soft spot for German shepherds and was known for a bright smile and easy laugh that warmed the shelter’s lobby. “She always put herself last, looking to make life better for all creatures — two-legged and four-legged,” recalled AWLA staffer Phin Cooper, who worked alongside Ms. Posey at the desk for several years. “She played the Mother Goose role very well.”

Eighty-seven-year-old Marnie Moore also worked closely with Nancy Posey on the front desk. The work has been a tonic for Ms. Moore, a former flight attendant, since her husband died 14 years ago. When she takes a break from the desk, Ms. Moore makes a beeline for the dog kennels, talking to the dogs and slipping them treats. No longer strong enough to take a dog out for exercise, Ms. Moore goes on duty every Thursday afternoon answering citizen



**The late Nancy Posey with a four-legged friend**

phone calls, filing, and greeting shelter visitors. “I’ll go anyplace they need me,” Ms. Moore said.

The Animal Welfare League of Alexandria, celebrating its 70<sup>th</sup> year, is an independent, local, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Operating the Vola Lawson Animal Shelter, an open-admission facility and Alexandria’s only animal shelter, the league provides care for more than 3,500 animals every year, including strays, lost pets, local wildlife, rescue animals, and animals surrendered by their owners. The AWLA is committed to ending animal homelessness, promoting animal welfare, and serving as an educational resource for the community. More information is at [AlexandriaAnimals.org](http://AlexandriaAnimals.org).

## Aboard the Puppy Boat

**Animal Welfare League celebrates 70 years.**

BY VERNON MILES  
GAZETTE PACKET

It was all paws on deck Sunday, June 12, as staff and supporters of the Animal Welfare League of Alexandria were joined by dogs and a kitten for a trip up the Potomac on the Potomac Riverboat Company’s “Cherry Blossom.” The event marked a celebration of the organization’s 70th anniversary.

In preparation for the anniversary, AWLA Executive Director Megan Webb said she spent time looking back at how the shelter started. It was 1946 and the Second World War had just ended. The shelter was a decrepit wooden hovel where it was recorded that some local residents broke in to rescue dogs being kept inside in unsafe conditions.

It’s a far cry from the modern Vola Lawson Animal Shelter at 4101 Eisenhower Avenue, but in some ways Webb says the mission has remained familiar throughout the years. She was particularly touched by notes where volunteers at the shelter were trying to match a WWII veteran with a suitable dog.

Now, the Animal Welfare League has been working on expanding its mission. The shelter sometimes takes in dogs from other shelters in Virginia, particularly those with high euthanasia rates, and made headlines for their adoption of dogs from Korea from being butchered.

The event also celebrated Ellen Flynn, a 45-year volunteer with the Animal Welfare League.

“It’s addictive,” said Flynn, and encouraged anyone who loves animals to get involved with the local shelter. “You have to come out, you just have to do it. When you realize how they react to kindness and attention... you can’t give up on them. It’s so gratifying to know that you’ve helped them become adoptable.”



PHOTOS BY VERNON MILE/GAZETTE PACKET  
**Tandoori, a puppy recently brought in from a nearby shelter, with Officer Megan Boyd.**



**Gage was brought in to be euthanized, but was treated and saved by Animal Welfare League veterinarians. Since then, Gage has been staying with a new foster family.**



## NEWS

# Award To Honor Nicole Mittendorff

A new award has been established to honor former Fairfax firefighter and distance runner Nicole Mittendorff who died two months ago.

Mittendorff participated in the Woodrow Wilson Bridge Half Marathon & 6k a number of times, and ran once with her husband Steven.

The first Nicole Mittendorff Award will be presented to the first female firefighter to complete the half marathon course, which now

begins at the Woodrow Wilson Bridge and ends under the bridge in Old Town Alexandria. Steve Nearman, founder and event director of the Woodrow Wilson Bridge Half Marathon & 6k, said he hopes that firefighters as well as police and EMS personnel from around the metropolitan area will come to the Oct. 2 race to honor Mittendorff.

Register for the Woodrow Wilson Bridge Half Marathon & 6k at [www.wilsonbridgehalf.com](http://www.wilsonbridgehalf.com).

## Bank Robbery Suspect Arrested

The Alexandria Police Department has made an arrest in a robbery that occurred at the Sun Trust Bank located at 2809 Mount Vernon Ave. on May 27. Kegni Omar Granados, 27, of Alexandria, was arrested on June 16, and charged with robbery. He is being held without bond.

On Friday, May 27, at 12:15

p.m., a man entered the bank and passed the teller a note. He demanded money, the teller complied and the suspect fled with an undisclosed amount of cash. There were no injuries.

Police ask that anyone with information about this incident call Detective Michael Whelan at 703-746-6228.

## CRIME REPORT

The following incidents were reported by the Alexandria Police Department.

### JUNE 21

The Alexandria Police Department and Alexandria Fire Department are investigating a possible attempted arson in the 5300 block of Taney Avenue. A suspect is in custody. No one was seriously injured.

### JUNE 20

The Alexandria Police Department is investigating a robbery in the 200 block of S Whiting Street. A man was robbed by two men known to him. A knife was seen and personal items were taken.

### JUNE 11

The Alexandria Police Department is investigating a robbery in the 100 block of W Glebe Road. Three suspects assaulted the victim and stole his wallet.

### JUNE 8

The Alexandria Police Department is

investigating a felonious assault, possibly a shooting, in the 1000 block of Montgomery Street.

### JUNE 7

The Alexandria Police Department is investigating robbery at the skate park at Duke Street and Quaker Lane. A group of juveniles robbed other juveniles. The suspects were apprehended.

### JUNE 6

The Alexandria Police Department is investigating a robbery at N Howard Street and Raleigh Avenue. Three suspects stole the victim's cell phone. There were no injuries.

### JUNE 1

The Alexandria Police Department is investigating a series of pharmacy robberies. One occurred in the 3800 block of Jefferson Davis Highway and the second in the 600 block of E. Glebe Road. The suspect implied weapon, and there were no injuries.



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## ENVOY of Alexandria

WELCOME TO THE TEAM

Dr. Amoah



Envoy of Alexandria is proud to announce the appointment of Dr. Nana Amoah as one of our attending physicians, joining Dr. Samir Al-Khoury and Dr. Manny Silis. Dr. Amoah earned both his undergraduate and graduate degrees from Kwame Nkrumah University, located in Kumasi, Ghana, in 1992 and 1996, respectively. For several years, Dr. Amoah was an attending physician in the Department of Surgery at Komfo Anokye Teaching Hospital.

When Dr. Amoah moved to the United States, he completed a General Surgery Residency at Howard University Hospital from 2002 to 2005, and then completed an Internal Medicine Residency at Woodhull Medical Center-NYU from 2005 to 2008. After this residency, Dr. Amoah became board certified with the American Board of Internal Medicine in 2008.

Upon moving to Virginia in 2009, Dr. Amoah began to work for the Inova Health Care System, with admitting and attending privileges at Inova Mt. Vernon Hospital, as well as Inova Alexandria Hospital. Currently, he has a thriving private practice located in Annandale, Virginia.

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# OPINION

## Making an Impact on Childhood Literacy

BY GORDON McGRATH

**O**f all the ways to spend a Sunday afternoon, teaching someone else's children to read will not, on the surface, top most people's list of priorities. However, they may be the most impactful hours of your whole week. Literacy and curiosity, gained at a young age, are the most important building blocks in a child's life. They provide the foundation for all other achievements. Unfortunately those building blocks are distributed unevenly, often as a result of things children have no control over, like their family's economic status.

We're leaving kids behind through no fault of their own, and we all suffer for it. Studies gathered by the World Literacy Foundation and UNESCO measure that illiterate people will earn 30-42 percent less than their literate peers, and lack the ability to push themselves forward by gaining further skills. Reading is the one skill that allows you to gain all other skills. It is the underpinning of a successful life.

For years I have wanted to "volunteer more," but I struggled. Sporadic corporate-organized opportunities became disjointed efforts rather than concerted progress towards an intentional goal. All I wanted was to help with something I enjoyed and knew made an impact. Some thinking eventually brought me to childhood literacy. Reading and intellectual curiosity were an ever-present piece of my childhood. I was inundated with education from the parents and

teachers I was lucky enough to have. Unfortunately not everyone has these advantages built into their youth.

Signing up to be a mentor with Wright to Read was easy. As I got closer to the first day one-on-one with my student, though, the doubts crept in. What if I didn't have enough time? Or worse, that I hated it? I'm no teacher or reading expert. I just happen to enjoy it and think it's important.

So I jumped in. It has been a year of curiosity-filled adventure. We grab the globe in the library and find countries. We investigate foreign currency to decode where it is from. We have fun creating lists of new words and finding books we like. We practice asking the librarian questions and proactively finding new information. We read. We learn. After our first three months my mentee progressed an entire reading level (as measured by the DRA2 reading standards). Shortly thereafter I started working with his brother as well.

The most enjoyable aspect is the continuing bond we have. I can see the ways that I am directly impacting someone's life. Young kids are malleable and they have a long runway. Benefits gained early, requiring only a small investment, compound for the rest of their lives. Moreover, it is a positive feedback loop. They are developing the ability to reach back help the next person. Literacy advances lives, and Wright to Read delivers literacy. Wright to Read is making a difference.

As written by my students:

"We like that we read and have fun. We like learning about everything, especially cool facts



**Gordon McGrath with Aron and Oliver**

about subjects. It's interesting to see how things work in pictures and explanations. We liked learning about how boomerangs work and then getting to test one. We like improving our reading level and spelling for school and finding ways to figure out words. Reading makes you better at being a grownup, going to college, and improving yourself."

*Gordon McGrath is a tutor, mentor, and committee member at Wright to Read. Wright to Read provides volunteer-based one-on-one sustained literacy tutoring and mentoring relationships to City of Alexandria elementary school children in need, and collaborates with families, schools and community partners to create a comprehensive support network that guides each child to success. Wright to Read is a member of the Alexandria Mentoring Partnership (AMP). AMP was created in 2006 to ensure that quality mentors and mentor programs are available for Alexandria's youth and young adults in need. To learn more about Wright to Read, visit [www.wrighttoread.org](http://www.wrighttoread.org) or to learn more about AMP, visit: <http://www.alexandriava.gov/Mentoring>.*

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Looking at Local Taxes

To the Editor:

As I paid my first half property taxes this week, I was shocked to realize they have gone up 36 percent since 2010. During that same period, the cost of living adjustments for those

of us on the federal General Schedule have increased salaries all of 3.5 percent. With corresponding increases in our sales tax rate, other taxes and fees, parking meter rates, and other ways we've been nickel-and-dimed over the last several years, in addition to rising food and (for several years) gas prices, I would not be

surprised to learn that many residents have seen their disposable income lower now than at the beginning of the decade. I feel lucky that I'm not being taxed out of my home, but others may well be, and the tax situation in the city seems untenable nevertheless.

**Adam Pearlman**  
Alexandria

#### Another Reason Supporting Pool

To the Editor:

Advocates for Alexandria Aquatics mentioned several compelling reasons for spending a lot of city money for a 50 meter swimming pool at the Chinquapin Recreation Center adjacent to T.C. Williams' High School, but missed the most compelling, even if slightly troubling one.

Public school physical education requirements originate in a federal mandate connected to military preparedness. Of the five main branches of our military, two (Navy and Coast Guard) expect recruits to be able to swim and dive for many or most positions in these services. These branches' importance cannot be underestimated because, as Admiral Alfred Thayer Mahan's "The Influence of Seapower Upon History, 1660-1783," considered the most important military strategy opus of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, the United States is a "great sea

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power.” This status is essential to protecting us from attack by sea, maintaining secure trade routes, and backing our “soft power” vis-à-vis other countries with a ubiquitous naval presence. The U.S. has gotten into trouble when it has eschewed a naval-oriented military policy for “boots on the ground” in immoral wars where we have not fared especially well (Vietnam, Afghanistan, Iraq), while we pick our battles all too cautiously and fail in our responsibility over the high seas versus, for example, pirates off the coast of East Africa. Other jobs, such as in our Merchant Marine, are also closely tied to our status as a trade-oriented maritime economy. Our underallocation of resources to maritime enterprises is one of many reasons why our “free-trade” policy has lately left us losers in the trade arena.

Investments in swimming facilities is a civic obligation to our legitimate military preparedness needs so that children and youth with swimming aptitude have appropriate venues in which to develop those skills so that they are prepared to serve in our Navy, Coast Guard, and Merchant Marine.

**Dino Drudi**  
Alexandria

## Thoughtful Decision-Making?

To the Editor:

Now you see it, now you don't. Our School Board has the ability to make decisions disappear almost overnight. Their recent magic was visible on our very first school tear down, Patrick Henry, when in fact all but the vote was necessary to pass option C1 — an option which was structurally compatible with the neighborhood, contained adequate green space and most importantly was neighborhood friendly with no bus privileges on Latham Street. The School Board rallied hard for a tranquil Latham Street, deferring bus traffic to the more commercialized Taney Street.

The School Board did a magical 360-degree turn and supported Option A1, an option they had committed against — an option that places the buses, garbage trucks and the semis-trailers back on Latham — an unfriendly gesture at best.

Why would they do such an about face? The pat answer given by the board is that they will save \$1.5-2 million by re-contouring 5500 sq feet in this project. Citizens, when has the School Board ever been interested in saving money on any project? Certainly not with the T.C. High School and Jefferson Houston construction budget, nor with the infamous T.C. tennis lights to which we were told was needed for the community — 150 percent over budget.

How can you judge how expensive A1 is when you have not even run the numbers — side by side with the more friendly C1 option. [Superintendent of Schools] Dr. [Alvin] Crawley stated he cannot guarantee it will be less expensive to do this A1 project, and so, if this is a pie in the sky idea — is it in our best interest to destroy life on Latham? We are going to create great congestion in this neighborhood; we are

going to change the character of this neighborhood forever — to save \$2 million, this is a \$46 million project.

The reality is the School Board was running up huge architectural fees with all the changes being made, the process was totally disorganized and completely flawed as mentioned by [Council member] Mr. [Paul] Smedberg in the June 2015 City Council meeting. He wanted to fire the entire group. The School Board was told to keep this project on schedule regardless, to pick a plan and go with it. When they could not make the decision someone else did, hence the 360-degree turn. We have 11 neighborhood schools ready for renovation — is this the way we will proceed? Blindfolded? This neighborhood advisory group is a farce — a mere ploy by the School Board to check the box under neighborhood advisory and move on.

How can the School Board possibly make a decision before you have the updated documents and data. The normal time to review documents is 24 hours a day in advance of the vote; the School Board got the documents the same day they were delivering the vote. With no details, no definite cost estimate, no line item comparison of costs, there should have been no vote.

However there were some heroes in this process — [School Board members] Ms [Margaret] Lorber and Ms [Cindy] Anderson thank you for your foresight — for your depth of analysis and thank you for not being intimidated. You were a breath of fresh air in a very poorly run process. Ms Lorber and Ms Anderson, you have given me and the citizens of Alexandria hope that you will vote for what you believe in and for the community and not for your own personal agenda. If you can spread this logic to the rest of the group we would all be much obliged. Thanks.

**William Goff**  
Alexandria

## Who Pays For Free Rides?

To the Editor:

Why is our city planning to provide free and expanded bus transportation to some commuters during the July surges when some Metro lines will be shut down? Why isn't this cost the commuters' and Metro's responsibility? At the very least, the city should charge Metro a fair rental fee for this obviously costly additional service, and DASH and Metroway riders should continue to pay their current fares.

Commuters are expected to pay for their transportation service, but under this plan, some will get a free ride (literally) while the rest of the city's taxpayers, including those who also must pay their own transportation costs during the same period, provide the “treat.” Citizens who cannot use Metro, DASH and Metroway have long subsidized these services heavily and should not be asked to contribute more.

This clearly inequitable treatment of citizens is bad enough, but in a city saddled with an enormous debt, and facing daunting capital costs for essential needs and with

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## OPINION

# Senior Experience with Senior Services of Alexandria

BY CELIA HOLUBAR  
AND SEELEY LUTZ

**D**uring the last three weeks of our high school career, we had the opportunity as T.C. Williams seniors to do an unpaid internship of our choosing. We chose to work with Senior Services of Alexandria (SSA), a non-profit organization that provides assistive services for senior citizens aiming to help maintain their independence. These programs include Meals on Wheels, Groceries to Go, and the Friendly Visitor Program. Each of these programs has been successful in improving the lives of local seniors.

We had the privilege to get to work with all the programs including delivering Meals on Wheels to homebound seniors a few times each week, going on delivery routes all throughout the city. Hardworking vol-

unteers deliver one hot and one cold meal to seniors who have trouble or are unable to leave their homes. Their volunteers deliver seven days a week, rain or shine, and even on holidays. The Groceries to Go program, a very convenient grocery shopping and delivery service, works with Harris Teeter and Giant Foods to shop for and deliver food to seniors who participate. We shopped and delivered groceries for two clients.

Senior Services provides outreach to the community through its Speaker Series and Senior Information Corners. We were part of the Annual Senior Health and Fitness Fair held at the Lee Center. This event sponsored by the city's Successful Aging Committee, of which Senior Services is a member, is a fun event. After the formal program around different health topics, participants get to visit several breakout sessions including health screening, hearing tests, cooking demonstrations, tai chi and shoulder massages. One afternoon we spent restocking the 14 Senior Information Corners around

town in libraries and recreation centers with relevant literature for seniors on a variety of topics.

We also helped spread the word about the new Silver Service Card program. The Silver Service Card program aims to connect Senior Citizens and local businesses by offering various discounts to seniors who present the Silver Service Card at participating locations, encouraging seniors to stay active in the community.

It was a great three-week experience learning all that Senior Services of Alexandria has to offer the senior population in Alexandria. It is a great place to grow old.

**Celia Holubar  
and Seeley Lutz**



# Offering Translation Services for Adults in Need

BY JANE HESS COLLINS

*This is the second in a five-part series about Community Lodgings' programs and services to the Alexandria community.*

**B**uenas tardes. Nos gustaría establecer una reunión para discutir el comportamiento de su hijo en la escuela." ("Good afternoon. We would like to set up a meeting to discuss your child's behavior in school.")

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at each of our three learning center sites — Brent Place Apartments in Alexandria's West End, and the New Brookside Apartments and the Fifer Learning Center in Arlandria. From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. each weekday and by appointment, our Community Lodgings bilingual staff helps community adults with translation, school enrollment, job searches, referrals to other community based agencies and other services. Adults may also use Community Lodgings' computers for internet support, printing and faxing.

Translation is an especially important service. In the last year Community Lodgings has translated legal documents, IRS and insurance claims, utility notices, leases complaints, and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program/Electronic Benefits Transfer (SNAP/EBT) applications.

Additionally, we employ one part-time bilingual staff member, Cindy Lopez, to liaise with the parents of the students enrolled in our Youth Education program and the Alexandria City Public School teachers. Lopez, who grew up in Arlandria, assists parents when their child has behavior issues at school, and helps them navigate school registration, field trips and other communications between the parent and the teacher.

And what do our clients say when we are able to help them?

"Gracias. Muy amable," they tell us over and over. "Thank you. You are very kind."

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recent alarmingly high tax increases to fund them, city officials are displaying profligacy if they persist in implementing this "free for all" plan.

How much have city officials budgeted for these "free rides"? Is there a cap on the amount? This should be part of the public information released with other aspects of the plan.

**Ellen Latane Tabb**  
Alexandria

## City Fails Its Citizens

To the Editor:

Over the years, I have corresponded with almost all departments within the City of Alexandria's government. For the most part, I have generally been treated with respect and honest dealings. Lately, however, it appears to me that the city staff and City Council are at odds with citizens on almost ev-

ery important issue. I can relate two glaring examples that warrant this perception.

For years, the Transportation Department has stated that it has no authority to regulate tour buses coming into the Old and Historic District, and it needs to go to the General Assembly to obtain permission to do so. However, a review of Section 2.04 (subsections d and t) of our City Charter authorizes the city to regulate tour buses in any manner that they choose. If this section had been followed, it would have allowed us to prevent tour buses in the Old and Historic District. Hopefully, the new Tour Bus Task Force will recommend the prosecution of the constant tour bus violations that we citizens face on a daily basis. Even better, they should recommend that tour buses should not be allowed in the Old and Historic District.

As of late, the Bikeshare program has taken center stage. The City Council has allowed the Departments of Planning and Transpor-

tation to put additional Bikeshare stations all over the city, but most egregiously in the Old and Historic District. On July 10 in 2013 a city staff member agreed to return to the Board of Architectural Review (BAR) before placing any bike racks in the Old and Historic District. A few weeks ago, the city placed a new bike rack in front of the Safeway parking lot at the Royal and Gibbon Street, which flies in the face of the city's erstwhile promises. Furthermore, the city's Bikeshare Web Page (under "Engagement") states that "Prior to installation, adjacent businesses and civic associations will be notified about the new bikeshare stations." Section 10-103 of the City Code requires that all structures erected within the Old and Historic District be approved by the BAR. A great deal of email has gone back and forth from a number of citizens and different members of the city staff with staff quibbling to get out of the box they have put themselves in. Also, at one point, the

staff said that Bikeshare stations are temporary structures therefore no certificate of appropriateness is required by the BAR. How much help with equipment is required to haul away a Bikeshare station?

Other neighborhoods are also facing the spectre of unwanted and unneeded bikeshare stations. This program is a fad that has gone amuck. Since the Bikeshare program is subsidized by the taxpayers, they deserve greater input. Another point to be made is that the Arlington Bikeshare program admits a total cost recovery rate of 51 percent for FY 2015, and also has information for other years that is also publically available, but where is the information from Alexandria?

I respectfully ask the city staff and City Council to restore some sense of order and honesty in government. To do any less is a disservice to the community.

**Townsend A. "Van" Van Fleet**  
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## 3 Cocktails Perfect for Summer Happy Hour

Hot temperatures outside mean it's time for a cool, refreshing beverage.

BY HOPE NELSON  
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**T**he mercury's rising outside, and summer picnic season is well under way. So too are weekend happy hours, offering up a number of cool, refreshing concoctions. Try one of these three cocktails this season.

### The Crimson Tide: Chadwicks, 203 Strand St.

This whiskey-based drink is sure to evoke a longing for the hot days of football season. Although it seems like a simple combination of ingredients, the final product makes your taste buds shout "Roll Tide!" Made with Alabama whiskey, ginger beer, and cranberry juice, it's a refreshing beverage that isn't overly sweet or fruity.

The Crimson Tide pairs nicely with plenty of items on Chadwicks' menu, as well. The Cajun spiced chicken egg rolls make a wonderful companion — and serve as an easily

shareable snack at happy hour. For a dinner choice, the FGT grilled cheese — a sandwich stuffed with fried green tomatoes and pimiento cheese — makes an excellent companion indeed.

### Mojito: Los Tios Grill, 2615 Mount Vernon Ave.

It's a Del Ray tradition: Drive past Los Tios on nearly any pretty night and you'll find a lengthy line of hungry diners waiting for an outdoor table. And for good reason: The patio at Los Tios is one of the best places in town to while away the evening. Once you finally snag your table, you could do worse than ordering a mojito to celebrate.

The mojito has become de rigueur at so many Mexican, Cuban, and Salvadorean restaurants over the years, but Los Tios' stands out from the rest. Light and airy, this version is perfectly satisfying without being overly sugary or syrupy, as so many mojitos are. This balance allows the rum and the muddled mint to perform in concert, with only a hint of simple syrup lingering over the top. It's the perfect antidote



Chadwicks is the home of the Crimson Tide, a blend of whiskey, ginger beer, and cranberry juice.

to a hot day in the sun — and paired with a plate of fajitas or enchiladas, it's a wonderful complement to the main course.

### The Harold Johnson: Evening Star Café, 2000 Mount Vernon Ave.

What would a list of summer cocktail be without a sturdy gin drink? When it comes to refreshment with a little surprising kick, the Harold Johnson cocktail at Evening Star fits the bill.

The cocktail's green chartreuse liqueur

gives the Harold Johnson a bit of a boost (and a lovely hue), and it blends nicely with the gin and vermouth to take what might be considered a normal martini and kick it up several notches. The result is a drink that gives you something to talk about — and to ask for next time. Pair it with some hush puppies or fried cauliflower and feel your cares melt away.

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## CALENDAR

Email announcements to [gazette@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto: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

**Exhibit: "A Retrospective Exhibit of Florals and Still Life."** Gallery hours at Goodwin House Alexandria Art Center, 4800 Fillmore Ave. Artist Concetta C. Scott presents her work. Call 703-578-1000 for more.

**Art Exhibit: "Respect: Unsung Heroes in Uniform."** Through June 26, gallery hours at Del Ray Artisans, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Artists express their point of view, depict something amusing, or honor a loved one. There will be a small memorial section where visitors can reflect, contemplate and remember. Free. Visit [www.thedelrayartisans.org](http://www.thedelrayartisans.org) or call 703-838-4827.

**International Artist in Residence.** Through June 30, weekdays at the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Ethiopian artist Daniel Taye paints in his studio or en plein air in Alexandria and passersby are welcome to watch and interact. Free. Call 703-838-4565 x303 or 360-561-3531 for artist availability.

**June Artist Showcase.** Through June 30, gallery hours at Broadway Gallery Fine Art & Framing, 5641-B General Washington Drive. The Alexandria Gallery is featuring the paintings of plein air artist Christine Lashley. Free. Visit [www.broadwaygallery.net](http://www.broadwaygallery.net).

**Art in Progress: "Highest Honor."** Through June 30, gallery hours at

The Art League, 105 N. Union St. In collaboration with military veterans from The Art League's IMPart program, artist and League instructor Andy Yoder will construct a site-specific, suspended, 25-foot triangular banner for the Torpedo Factory Art Center's atrium. Yoder will be working daily in studio 8 in the Torpedo Factory Art Center to create the banner through the month of June. Free. Visit [www.theartleague.org](http://www.theartleague.org) for more.

**The von Brahler Ltd. Gallery: "Circuitous Roots."** Through June 30, gallery hours at 7931 E. Blvd. The von Brahler Ltd./Gallery, announces the Opening of an Exhibition, "Circuitous Roots: A Celebration of Art" at George Washington's River Farm on the Potomac, home of the American Horticultural Society. The exhibition will honor artists represented by VBG over three decades, as well as Liberal Studies' Artists from Georgetown University, Anna Katakina, Nan Morrison, Anne Ridder, Robert Murray and Rana Ryan. Free. Contact Robert F. Murray at 703-798-8686 or [vbghpromo@aol.com](mailto:vbghpromo@aol.com).

**Caribbean-American Jubilee Arts Exhibition.** Through July, gallery hours at The Torpedo Factory Arts Center, 105 N. Union St. The Second Art Impact USA Caribbean Jubilee Arts Exhibition is in honor of National Caribbean-American Heritage Month. Free. Visit [www.artimpactusa.org](http://www.artimpactusa.org) for more.

**Alex Tolstoy: "Watermarks."** Through July 3, gallery hours at The Art League, 105 N. Union St. Artist Alex Tolstoy's past life as an ocean acoustics mathematician subconsciously informed and inspired her present life as a watercolor artist,

as she now paints the moods and forms of the oceans, seas, lakes, ponds, and storms. Free. Visit [www.theartleague.org](http://www.theartleague.org) for more.

**"Who The Wounded Are."** Through July 11 at Carlyle House Historic Park, 121 N.

Fairfax St. "Who These Wounded Are: The Extraordinary Stories of the Mansion House Hospital" is about people who lived and worked at this site in Alexandria and their real life stories that inspired the PBS show, "Mercy Street." Tickets are \$2-12. Visit [www.carlylehouse.org](http://www.carlylehouse.org) for more.

**Target Gallery: "Please Touch."** Through July 17, gallery hours at Target Gallery, 105 N. Union St. Sixteen national and international artists, including four people from Virginia, were juried into this group show. This all-media exhibition features 20 works with which audiences are invited to engage. Free. Visit [www.torpedofactory.org](http://www.torpedofactory.org) for more.

**Art Exhibit: "Out and About."** Through July 17, gallery hours at The Associates Gallery – Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. TAG member artist and oil painter Ellen Kolansky presents a grouping of her landscape paintings. Free. Visit [www.torpedofactory.org](http://www.torpedofactory.org) for more.

**Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery: "Circuses."** Through July 24, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at 105 N. Union St. Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery announces the juried show "Circuses." Artists' derive inspiration from clowns, animals, trapezes, jugglers, ringmasters, sideshows, crowds and other big house trappings. Free. Visit [www.potomacfiberartsgallery.com](http://www.potomacfiberartsgallery.com) for more.

**"Violent Grace: A Retrospective."**

Through July 30, gallery hours at Convergence, 1801 N. Quaker Lane. This exhibit is a survey of five decades of paintings by Edwards Knippers. Free. Visit [www.ourconvergence.org](http://www.ourconvergence.org) for more.

**"The Beauty of Inflection."** Through July 31, gallery hours at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Julia Bloom and Susan Hostetler have created complementary bodies of work, in both two and three dimensions, inspired by nature; murmurations and birdsongs, and organic grids of color and light. Free. Visit [www.nvfaa.org](http://www.nvfaa.org) for more.

**Art Exhibit: "Streets Meets Glass."** Through Aug. 15, business hours at the Vola Lawson Animal Shelter, 4101 Eisenhower Ave. The exhibit features the work of two Del Ray Artisans artists, Joshua Oliveira and Betsy Mead. Free. Visit [www.TheDelRayArtisans.org/GWW](http://www.TheDelRayArtisans.org/GWW).

**Fort Hunt Concerts.** Through Aug. 28, Sundays 7-8 p.m. at Fort Hunt Park, 8999 Fort Hunt Road. A different band performs each week. Free. Visit [www.nps.gov/gwmp](http://www.nps.gov/gwmp) for more.

**Collage and Ceramics – Kathryn Horn Coneway.** Through Aug. 28, gallery hours at Huntley Meadows Park, 3701 Lockheed Blvd. Free. Visit [www.kathrynconeway.com](http://www.kathrynconeway.com) for more.

**Women of Civil War Alexandria Tour.** Through Sept. 3, 7 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays at The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. Learn more about women's roles during the Civil War in Alexandria. Presented by the National Women's History Museum (NWHM). Tickets are \$15, \$12 for NWHM members. Visit [www.nwhm.com/get-involved/event/walking-tours](http://www.nwhm.com/get-involved/event/walking-tours).

**Mercy in Alexandria Walking**

**Tour.** Sundays at 1:30 p.m. at Alexandria Visitors Center, 221 King St. Experience an inside access tour of 19th century Alexandria. Inspired by the PBS mini-series "Mercy Street," accompany a trained military historian through Civil War-era Alexandria and learn the actual history behind the TV show. Short tours are \$15, private tours for five are \$149. Visit [www.dcmilitarytour.com](http://www.dcmilitarytour.com) for more.

**Medical Care for the Civil War Soldier Exhibit.** Ongoing at the Fort Ward museum, 4301 W. Braddock Road. ongoing exhibit which features original medical instruments and equipment from the Civil War period and information on Union Army hospital sites in Alexandria. Free. Visit [www.alexandriava.gov/forward](http://www.alexandriava.gov/forward) for more.

**Alexandria's Nurses & Hospitals During the Civil War.** Ongoing at The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. An exhibit on the life of Clarissa Jones, a nurse at The Lyceum hospital during the Civil War. The true story of a nurse in Alexandria during the war, drawing parallels with characters portrayed in the PBS drama "Mercy Street," with references to the experiences of other nurses, such as Anne Reading, who worked in the Mansion House hospital, and Jane Woolsey, who served at the Fairfax Seminary hospital. Admission is \$2. Visit [www.alexandriava.gov/lyceum](http://www.alexandriava.gov/lyceum) 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



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## Del Ray Artisans Holds Indoor Art Supplies Yard Sale

Art supplies will be for sale from June 27 through July 15 a half-hour before (and immediately after) each Grown Ups Art Camp workshop at Del Ray Artisans Gallery, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Visit the "Last chance" sale July 15, 12-3 p.m. Free admission to the sales. Visit [www.delrayartisans.org](http://www.delrayartisans.org) for more.

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](http://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](http://www.fontainecaffe.com/reviews.html).

**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.leeendallhouse.org](http://www.leeendallhouse.org) or call 703-548-1789.

**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](http://www.fortward.org) or call 703-746-4848.

**National Inventors Hall of Fame Exhibit.** Through November 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](http://www.inventnow.org).

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

**Second Thursday Music.** Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. 7 pm. Second Thursday of every month. Visit [nvfaa.org](http://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

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Regency Crystal City has partnered will the National Kidney Foundation for a program highlighting a different artist each month for a year.

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

**Doggy Happy Hour.** Starting April 5, Tuesdays through October 5-8 p.m. at Jackson 20 and Hotel Monaco Alexandria, 480 King St. Doggy Happy Hour at Jackson 20 and the Hotel Monaco Alexandria offers specials on cocktails and beers plus treats and water for canine companions. Free, but drinks sold separately. Visit [www.monaco-alexandria.com](http://www.monaco-alexandria.com) for more.

## CAMPS, CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

**Olympic Champions Camp.** July 25-Aug. 26, 7 a.m.-6 p.m. at Boys & Girls Club, 401 N. Payne St. The Olympic Champions Camp incorporates “Triple Play” to engage mind, body, and soul. Campers participate in reading, STEM, sports, meditation and more. Prices vary. Visit [www.bgcgw.org](http://www.bgcgw.org) for more.

**Theatre Camp.** Through Sept. 2, various times at The Little Theatre of Alexandria, 600 Wolfe St. Offering a variety of camps for age 3 through 8th grade, covering creative play, acting, singing, dancing, musical theatre and improv. Sessions also include comedy, scene study, Shakespeare and drama. Tuition prices vary. Visit [www.thelittletheatre.com](http://www.thelittletheatre.com) for more.

**Photography Workshop.** 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. at Multiple Exposures Gallery on 105 N. Union St. Photographers 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 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](http://www.TheDelRayArtisans.org) for a schedule.

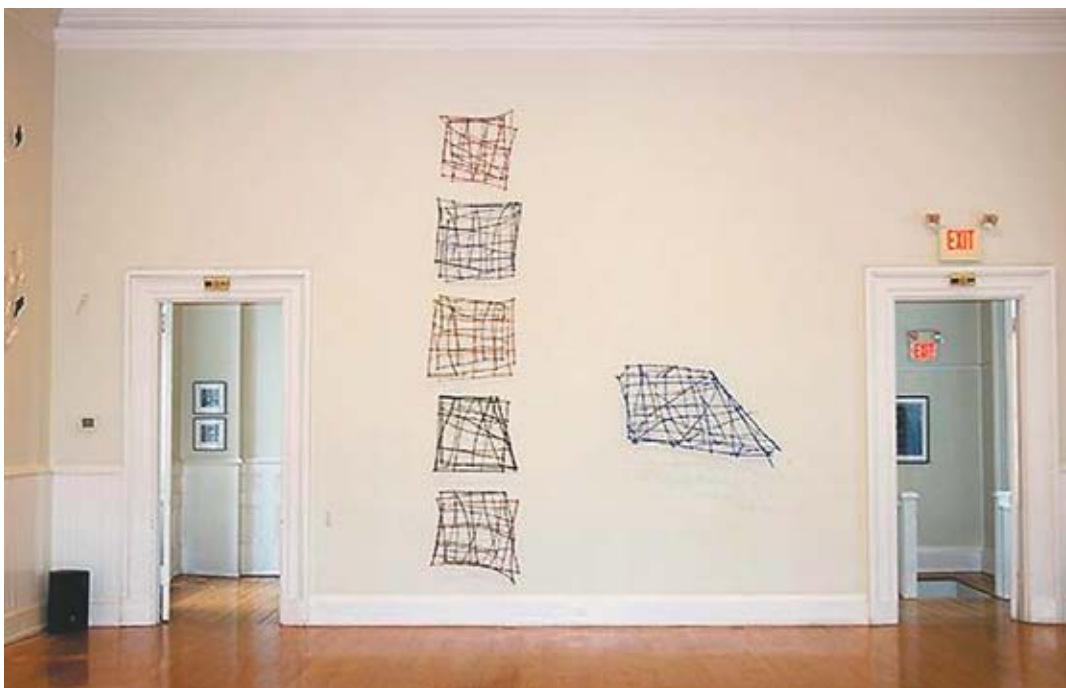
**Community Yoga.** Wednesdays 9:30-10:30 a.m. and Sundays 7:30-8:45 p.m. at 532YOGA, 532 N. Washington St. Suite 100. No experience required to participate in weekly community class. Suggested \$10 donation. Visit [www.532yoga.com](http://www.532yoga.com).

## THROUGH JULY 24

**Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery:** “Circuses.” Gallery hours at Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery announces the juried show “Circuses.” Artists’ derive inspiration from clowns, animals, trapezes, jugglers, ringmasters, sideshows, crowds and other big house trappings. Free. Visit [www.potomacfiberartsgallery.com](http://www.potomacfiberartsgallery.com) for more.

## THURSDAY/JUNE 23

**Photography Workshop With George Tolbert.** 6-8 p.m. at The Alexandria Black History Museum, 902 Wythe St. The former U.S.



**Julia Bloom, “Overlap,” sticks, wire, oil paint, beeswax, 2016, below: Susan Hostetler, “Murmuration 3,” clay, graphite, paper, gouache, 2016**

## Bloom, Hostetler Present ‘Beauty of Inflections’

Julia Bloom and Susan Hostetler have created complementary bodies of work, in both two and three dimensions, inspired by nature; murmurations and birdsongs, and organic grids of color and light. Both artists have taken advantage of the extreme height of the Athenaeum gallery and developed work that leverages the available space. On Saturday, July 30 at 2 p.m., the artists will conduct a workshop for children ages 8-12. The children will explore various media including making stencils and create work reflecting the nature of the show. Free. Visit [www.nvfaa.org](http://www.nvfaa.org) for more.



Senate photographer provides tips and techniques. Participants are encouraged to bring their own images on a thumb drive or CD to garner tips on improvement during the session. Free. Call 703-746-4356 for more.

**Angie Stone.** 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. R&B songstress performs. Tickets are \$59.50. Visit [www.birchmere.com](http://www.birchmere.com) for more.

## FRIDAY/JUNE 24

**Film Screening: “Goonies.”** Movie starts at dusk, activities start at 6 p.m. at Four Mile Conservatory Center, 4109 Mount Vernon Ave. Free. Visit [www.fourmilemovieseries.com](http://www.fourmilemovieseries.com).

**10,000 Maniacs.** 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. The band celebrates the

release of a live-recording album. Tickets are \$39.50. Visit [www.birchmere.com](http://www.birchmere.com) for more.

## FRIDAY-SATURDAY/JUNE 24-25

**“Stupid F#@\*ing Bird.”** 8-10 p.m. at Port City Playhouse, 1819 N. Quaker Lane. Anton Chekhov’s “The Seagull” gets an irreverent update in this comedy about the battles between the sexes and the generations, and the disappointments to be found in love, art and aging. Tickets are \$18-20. Visit [www.portcityplayhouse.com](http://www.portcityplayhouse.com) for more.

## SATURDAY/JUNE 25

**“Beach Booty Workshop and Summer Soiree.”** 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Studio Barre Alexandria, 610 N. Fayette St. Founder Shannon Higgins created this 75-minute

“Beach Booty Workshop” as a summer kick-off. In tune with Studio Barre’s lifestyle offerings, the workshop will conclude with a Summer Soirée complete with fresh-pressed juice and a seasonal trunk show. Tickets are \$15 for members, \$30 for non-members. Call 571-970-3305 for more.

**Lecture on Alexandria’s 18th-Century Ship.** 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. By examining the wood and iron fastenings from Alexandria’s recently excavated ship at 220 South Union St., the speaker illustrates how deep draft cargo vessels were constructed, repaired, and beached and broken during the 18th century in the Mid-Atlantic. Emphasis is placed upon historic documents relating to Alexandria during the 18th century as well as the story the timbers tell. Jason Lunze is a Maritime

Archaeologist who holds a master’s degree from the University of Southern Denmark. Free, but reservations required. Call 703-746-4399 for more.

**Meet & Greet Rad Cat Raw Diet Representative.** 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at PetSage, 2391 S. Dove St. Learn more about Rad Cat’s premium raw diets from Dan McCain, Eastern Territory Sales Manager. Free. Visit [www.petsage.com](http://www.petsage.com).

**Lecture: Let’s Talk About Marriage and Finance.** 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at The Alexandria Black History Museum, 902 Wythe St. Nicolas Troy Abrams, A Certified Financial Planner Professional and Founder and CEO of AJW Financial Partners, LLC of Columbia and Washington, D.C., discusses the wealth management and financial planning that couples should commit to before marriage. Free. Call 703-746-4356, or email [reserve@portofharlem.net](mailto:reserve@portofharlem.net).

**Vine on the Waterfront Festival.** 12-6 p.m. at Oronoco Park, 100 Madison St. Formerly known as the Alexandria Food & Wine Festival, the festival will expand to include both restaurants within Alexandria and other eateries throughout the region. The event is free to attend, but tickets are \$15 per area (food or wine), \$20 after June 18. Visit [www.vineonthewaterfront.com](http://www.vineonthewaterfront.com).

**Well Ray 2016.** 1-6 p.m. at 2214 Mount Vernon Ave. The third annual Well Ray festival is a community wide effort to highlight resources for living healthily and happily. Browse health and lifestyle inspired tents and more. Free. Visit [www.MindTheMat.com/Well-Ray/](http://www.MindTheMat.com/Well-Ray/).

**National Day of Play.** 3:30-7:30 p.m. at Gymboree, 318 S. Pickett St. All Families with children from birth to 5 are welcome to drop-in for play activities, flying parachutes, bubbles, art, music, touch a truck, child ID program, balloons, refreshments and more. Free. Call 703-836-2277 for more.

**Dogme Run Distillery Dinner.** 6-10 p.m. at George Washington’s Gristmill and Distillery, 5513 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway, Mount Vernon. View the innovative gristmill in action and explore the distillery while enjoying cocktails and light refreshments. Guests will then make their way to Woodlawn Estate for a Virginia-inspired sit-down dinner. Dine on locally-sourced food and wines by Early Mountain Vineyards, while being served in various rooms throughout the historic Mansion. Tickets are \$225. Visit [www.mountvernon.org](http://www.mountvernon.org).

## SATURDAY-SUNDAY/JUNE 25-26

**MSA: “Alice in Wonderland.”** 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday. 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. at Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall and Arts Center at 4915 E. Campus Drive. The show will feature almost 1,000 MSA students in dance, music, and theater. Tickets are \$20-23. Visit [www.metropolitanarts.org](http://www.metropolitanarts.org).

## SUNDAY/JUNE 26

**Living With a Happy, Healthy Cat.** 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at PetSage, 2391 S. Dove St. Learning more about cat health, diet, preferable environment and more via lectures, panel discussions, and more. Tickets are \$65 after and \$75 at the door. Visit [www.ittybittyurl.com/Ya9](http://www.ittybittyurl.com/Ya9) for more.

**Chamber Concert.** 3-4 p.m. at The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. Washington Metropolitan Philharmonic Association presents pianist John Sutherland Earle as he plays the music of Beethoven and Mozart. Free. Visit [www.wmpamusic.org](http://www.wmpamusic.org).

**“The Wizard of Songs.”** 7 p.m. at Fort Hunt Park- Pavilion A, 8999 Fort



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Hunt Road. Potomac Harmony Chorus presents show sung barbershop-style by an award-winning women's chorus. Free. Visit [www.potomacharmony.org](http://www.potomacharmony.org) for more.

**Lynn Hollyfield and Bill Staines.** 7 p.m. at George Washington Masonic Memorial, 101 Callahan Drive. Focus Music presents folk musicians Lynn Hollyfield and Bill Staines in concert. Tickets are \$18, \$15 for members and in advance. Visit [www.focusmusic.org](http://www.focusmusic.org) for more.

**Concert: Ensemble de Camera of Washington LLS Fundraiser.** 7-9:30 p.m. at The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. Ricardo Cyncynates (violin), Claire Eichhorn (clarinet), David Hardy (cello), and Lisa Emenheiser (piano), Hindemith Quartet, Haydn Piano Trio in E Major, Brahms Clarinet Trio, Op. 114 and the World Premiere of Tudor Dominik Maican Quartet, Rise, written for this occasion. Admission is free, but donations to The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Call 703-851-9050 for more.

**Three Dog Night.** 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Live music. Tickets are \$69.50. Visit [www.birchmere.com](http://www.birchmere.com).

## JUNE 27-JULY 15

**Grown Ups Art Camp.** Various times at Del Ray Artisans, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Del Ray Artisans is offering more than 30 workshops and sessions to choose from. Prices vary. Visit [www.delrayartisans.org](http://www.delrayartisans.org) for more.

**Indoor Arts Supplies Yard Sale.** Various times at Del Ray Artisans Gallery, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Art supplies will be for sale from June 27 through July 15 a half-hour before (and immediately after) each Grown

Ups Art Camp workshop. "Last chance" sale on Friday, July 15. Free to attend. Visit [www.TheDelRayArtisans.org/GUAC](http://www.TheDelRayArtisans.org/GUAC).

## TUESDAY/JUNE 28

**Family Fun Day: Shaping Our City.** 10-11:30 a.m. at The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. Explore how shapes are used in buildings – in the classroom and on the streets of Alexandria. Families are encouraged to bring recycled materials to share during a building workshop and should be prepared for a short walk outdoors, including walking shoes, sunscreen, and clothing appropriate for the weather. Tickets are \$8 for children, free for adults. Visit [shop.alexandriava.gov/events.aspx](http://shop.alexandriava.gov/events.aspx).

**Cat-tastic Craft Night.** 7-8:30 p.m. at Beatty Central Library, 5005 Duke St. Free. Visit [www.alexandria.lib.va.us](http://www.alexandria.lib.va.us).

## THURSDAY/JUNE 30

**Film Screening: "House Maid."** 6-8 p.m. at The Alexandria Black History Museum, 902 Wythe St. The Alexandria Black History Museum hosts a series of programs from the pages of Port Of Harlem Magazine. All programs open with a 20-minute reception with light refreshments. Set in Gambia, West Africa and written by Gambian Bubacarr Jallow, this 90-minute culturally reflective, sometimes comedic film is about a wife who loses her man to their maid. Free. Call 703-746-4356.

## JULY 1-31

**Art Exhibit: "Generations."** Gallery hours at Torpedo Factory Art Center – Studio 306, 105 N. Union St.

Realist artists James Dean and Kara Hammond bring together their space related works to celebrate the early days of space travel and exploration, in a small, targeted retrospective. Free. Visit [www.karahammond.wordpress.com](http://www.karahammond.wordpress.com).

## SATURDAY/JULY 2

**Independence Fireworks.** 6 p.m. at Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway, Mount Vernon. Greet "General and Mrs. Washington" in the historic area before trying a turn at bocce ball and 18th-century dancing demonstrations. Mount Vernon's colonial artisans will reveal how 18th-century ice cream was made in the days before freezers. Enjoy a performance by Yorktown Fife & Drum and the National Concert Band. Also enjoy a fireworks show. Tickets are \$30 for adults, \$20 for youth. Visit [www.mountvernon.org](http://www.mountvernon.org) for more.

## MONDAY/JULY 4

**An American Celebration.** 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway, Mount Vernon. Watch made-for-daytime fireworks shoot off over the Potomac River. Admission is \$9-20, free for children 0-5. Visit [www.mountvernon.org](http://www.mountvernon.org) for more.

**Plant Sale.** 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at Waynewood Recreation Park, 1027 Dalebrook Drive. Features plants that are known to thrive in this area. Members from the Garden Club of Waynewood will be available to answer questions on plants. There also will be a children's table to help them start plants. Free. Call 703-549-4245 for more.

## TUESDAY/JULY 5

**Simpson Park Garden Stroll.** 11 a.m.-12 p.m. at 420 E. Monroe St. VCE Master Gardeners who maintain Simpson Park Demonstration Gardens invite Alexandria residents and others to stroll by the gardens. Free. Call 703-228-6414 or email [mgarlalex@gmail.com](mailto:mgarlalex@gmail.com).

## WEDNESDAY/JULY 6

**Swing Dance.** 9-11 p.m. at Nick's Nightclub, 642 S. Pickett St. The Crawstoppers play blues music with jazz and soul influences. Tickets are \$10. Visit [www.gottaswing.com](http://www.gottaswing.com).

## THURSDAY/JULY 7

**Artist's Reception.** 6-8 p.m. at The Associates Gallery, Studio 311, The Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. TAG member artist and oil painter Ellen Kolansky presents a grouping of her landscape paintings "Out and About: Environs of DC." Her style is loose, noted for its rhythm, color, and grace. In the current show, scenes depict the C & O Canal, Potomac river, Frederick Maryland train station and Great Falls among other locations. Visit [torpedofactory.org/](http://torpedofactory.org/) for more.

## SATURDAY/JULY 9

**Civil War Kids Drill Day.** 9 a.m.-12 p.m. at Fort Ward, 4301 W. Braddock Road. Children ages 9-12 can learn more about the daily life of the Civil War soldier. Tickets are \$25. Visit [www.fortward.org](http://www.fortward.org) for more.

**Beyond the Battlefield Walking Tour.** 10 a.m. starting at the Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. Discover the real-life stories and

locations of soldiers, citizens, and former slaves that inspired the PBS drama "Mercy Street" in this walking tour of Old Town. Tickets are \$15. Visit [www.leefendallhouse.org](http://www.leefendallhouse.org) for more.

**Film Screening: "This Little Light of Mine."** 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Alexandria Black History Museum, 902 Wythe St. Director Robin Hamilton will discuss her work to shine a light on the life of Fannie Lou Hamer, an often-overlooked heroine of the Civil Rights Movement in this documentary film. A question and answer session with Hamilton follows the film. Tickets are \$5. Call 703-746-4356.

**"Eating Right on the Run."** 11:30 a.m. at Williams-Sonoma Old Town, 825 S. Washington St. Presented by Certified Wellness Master Ruvi Makuni. Free. Visit [ruvi.typeform.com/to/x2ioCE](http://ruvi.typeform.com/to/x2ioCE).

**Our American Girl.** 1-3 p.m. at Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway, Mount Vernon. Join Mount Vernon's own American girl, "Nelly Custis" on a tour of George Washington's estate. Enjoy refreshments with "Lady Washington" and create colonial crafts. Bring your favorite doll. Tickets are \$35 for youth, \$25 for adults. Visit [www.mountvernon.org](http://www.mountvernon.org) for more.

**Alexandria/USA Birthday Celebration.** 6-10 p.m. at Oronoco Bay Park, 100 Madison St. Visitors celebrate America's 240th birthday and Alexandria's 267th along the Potomac waterfront at Oronoco Bay Park and enjoy live music by the Alexandria Symphony Orchestra, patriotic birthday cake, food vendors and a fireworks display. Free. Visit [www.VisitAlexandriaVA.com/alx-bday](http://www.VisitAlexandriaVA.com/alx-bday).

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# SPORTS

## Top Alexandria Sports Moments

The following is a look back at some of the top moments in Alexandria high school sports during the 2016 winter and spring seasons.

### TC Girls' Soccer Wins 11-Round PK Shootout

The 2016 T.C. Williams girls' soccer team advanced to the state tournament for the first time in program history, but the Titans' path through the 6A North region tournament was not easy.

Fresh off winning the first conference championship in program history, T.C. Williams hosted Chantilly in the opening round of regionals on May 24.

The teams were tied at 1-all at the end of regulation and after neither produced a goal in 20 minutes of overtime, the game went to a best-of-five shootout.

After five rounds, both teams had converted four PKs. From the sixth round on, the shootout became a round-by-round, sudden-death competition.

For the next five rounds, the Titans and the Chargers made every PK. That's when TC goalkeeper Savannah Richardson stepped up.

Richardson saved Chantilly's 11th-round attempt — her second save of the shootout — leaving the door open for TC to win. Titans senior Philomena Fitzgerald then converted her third PK of the shootout, giving TC a 1-1 (10-9) victory.

Three Titans each converted two PKs: Claire Constant, Bella Ponzi and Hannah Bates. Caroline Bates made one.

TC went on to beat Patriot in the quarterfinals and Oakton in the semifinals to clinch a state berth. The Titans lost to Battlefield in the region final and Cox in the state semifinals and ended the season with a 19-4 record.

### SSSAS Girls' Lax Beats Ireton in State Final

Bishop Ireton's emergence as one of the top girls' lacrosse programs in the country included beating perennial power and Alexandria foe St. Stephen's & St. Agnes in the 2014 and 2015 VISAA state championship games.

On May 21, St. Stephen's regained its place atop the state of Virginia.

The Saints defeated the Cardinals 12-5 in the VISAA Division I state final at the University of Richmond. Seven different St. Stephen's players scored at least one goal. Elena Ricci and Annie Dyson led the way for the Saints, each scoring three.

St. Stephen's finished the season with a 25-1 record and an ISL title. Bishop Ireton went 20-4 and won the WCAC.

Both teams were ranked in the top five of the Nike/Lacrosse Magazine national poll, with the Saints coming in third and the Cardinals fourth.

### TC Girls' Basketball Wins Conference 7 Championship

The T.C. Williams girls' basketball team finished the Conference 7 tournament final with just five players who weren't injured or fouled out.

The Titans also finished the game as champions.

T.C. Williams defeated two-time defending champion West Springfield 69-66 in double overtime to win the conference title on Feb. 21 at South County High School. It was the Titans' first conference/district championship since 2013.

Injuries limited TC to eight available players for the game. Three more Titans fouled out and freshman Trinity Palacio, who led TC with 25 points, picked up her fourth foul late in the third quarter. Palacio managed to avoid a fifth foul and lifted TC with her clutch free-throw shooting, knocking down 8 of 9 attempts in the fourth quarter and two overtimes.



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**Claire Constant and the T.C. Williams girls' soccer team won an 11-round PK shootout against Chantilly in the opening round of the 6A North region tournament on May 24.**



PHOTO BY ROBERT PUSEY

**The St. Stephen's & St. Agnes girls' lacrosse team beat Bishop Ireton in the VISAA state championship game on May 21.**



PHOTO BY JON ROETMAN/GAZETTE PACKET

**The T.C. Williams girls' basketball team beat West Springfield in double overtime on Feb. 21 to win the Conference 7 championship.**



## BUSINESS

# Local Maker Spotlight

BY PAGE CASTRODALE  
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**T**he movement to shop small and support locally-owned businesses is alive and well in the DMV area, and that includes supporting the makers themselves. Northern Virginia and the District's handmade communities are thriving and there's certainly no shortage of creativity here in Old Town.

Happy Dough Lucky, which is owned by Arlington-based mom, Heidi Drake, produces natural and

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safe modeling dough for kids. But it isn't like the simple playdough we're all used to. Each tub comes with a little something extra, like rubber bugs you have to dig out or a wooden spoon and sprinkles to make a pretend ice cream cone. You can see all the different themes at Red Barn Mercantile.

Curated carries several local jewelry designers, including Mallory Shelter of Washington, D.C. and Hannah Lois of Arlington. Both make classic, delicate pieces using only semi-precious stones and gold or silver metals. They've become a favorite among brides choosing jewelry for their big day, but also make a great gift for any other occasion.

Speaking of beautiful jewelry, Sara Campbell carries Meg Carter Designs, an Alexandria-based business that has been featured in the Washington Post, Washingtonian and In Style Magazine for her one-

of-a-kind statement pieces.

Kristin Try is a talented local artist who creates exquisite, color-filled abstract paintings out of her studio in Alexandria and offers a variety of different sizes and styles.

Whether you're looking for something to fill the space over your dining room table or something small, but impactful, you can commission whatever you have in mind and Kristin will bring it to life beautifully. You can see her work at Red Barn Mercantile, Curated or her website, [www.ginghamandgostrain.com](http://www.ginghamandgostrain.com)

And if you're feeling crafty, stop by fibre space. You'll find Neighborhood Fiber Co. of Baltimore and The Fiberists of Herndon, indie hand dyers who dye their yarns in their local studios.

Of course, just stroll through the Old Town Farmers' Market and you'll see that there's plenty happening in the food scene as well. Local bakers, cheese and yogurt makers and tea blenders can be found sharing their crowd favorites on Saturday mornings. And Olio Tasting room carries a local honey from Backyard Farm, produced locally by a husband and wife team.

Here's one final tip: if you're ever looking for artists to support, try searching Etsy Local. Not only can you look online for local retailers who carry these independent makers, but you can also see a calendar of upcoming events, like farmer's markets or craft fairs where some of these makers may be featured. It's a great way to see what's happening in the handmade world right in your own community.

### ME & MY DAD



**Scott MacConomy of Alexandria with Cameron**



**Scott MacConomy of Alexandria with Kiera**

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#### SOBER-RIDE FOR JULY 4TH


**Free Cab Rides.** Monday, July 4, 10 p.m. through Tuesday, July 5, 4 a.m. Area residents, 21 and older, celebrating with alcohol may call the toll-free SoberRide phone number 1-800-200-TAXI (8294) and receive a free (up to a \$30 fare) safe way home. Visit [www.soberride.com](http://www.soberride.com).

#### COMMUNITY WALKS

Join **Alexandria Police Chief Earl L. Cook** as he walks through your neighborhood. Chief Cook will be out to talk with residents about questions or concerns regarding the community. Visit [www.alexandriava.gov/police](http://www.alexandriava.gov/police) for more.

- ❖ Thursday/June 23, 6:30-7:30 p.m. — **Arlandria Community** at Glebe Road and Mount Vernon Avenue
- ❖ Tuesday/June 28, 6:30-7:30 p.m. — **Del Ray Community** at E. Uhler Avenue and Mount Vernon Avenue
- ❖ Thursday/June 30, 6:30-7:30 p.m. —

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## Alexandria Aces

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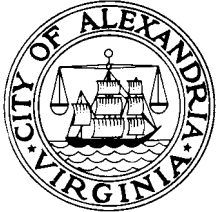


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Public Hearing will be held by the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, City of Alexandria, Virginia, on Tuesday, 7:00 p.m., June 28, 2016, or as soon as may be heard on the hereinafter described items.

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain the Master Plan of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, by adopting and incorporating therein the amendment approved by City Council on June 16, 2016 to the Potomac Yard/Potomac Greens Small Area Plan chapter of such master plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2016-0001 and no other amendments, and to repeal all provisions of the said master plan as may be inconsistent with such amendment.

The proposed ordinance accomplishes the final adoption of Master Plan Amendment No. 2016-0001 to amend the land use map (map 18) in the Potomac Yard/Potomac Greens Small Area Plan chapter of the Master Plan to amend the land use designation from CDD#10 to Utility.

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Sheet No. 025.02 and 025.04 of the "Official Zoning Map, Alexandria, Virginia," adopted by Section 1-300 (Official Zoning Map and District Boundaries), of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning portions of the property at 2501, 2504 and 2901 Potomac Avenue; 1702 and 1880 Potomac Greens Drive; and 700 Carpenter Road from CDD#10/Coordinated Development District 10 to UT/Utilities and Transportation Zone with proffer in accordance with the said zoning map amendment heretofore approved by City Council on June 16, 2016 as Rezoning No. 2016-0001.

The proposed ordinance accomplishes the final adoption of Rezoning No. 2016-0001 to rezone portions of the property at 2501, 2504, and 2901 Potomac Avenue; 1702 and 1880 Potomac Greens Drive; and 700 Carpenter Road from CDD#10/Coordinated Development District 10 to Transportation Zone with proffer in accordance with the said zoning map amendment heretofore approved by City Council on June 16, 2016.

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 7-1101 (Restriction on Parking Trailers in Any Zone) of Section 7-1100 (Parking Trailers and Recreational Vehicles) of Article VII (Supplemental Zone Regulations) and Section 11-513 (Administrative Special Use Permits) of Section 11-500 (Special Use Permits) of Article XI (Development Approvals and Procedures) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in accordance with the text amendment heretofore approved by City Council as Text Amendment No. 2016-0005.

The proposed ordinance accomplishes the final adoption of Text Amendment No. 2016-0005 to allow classroom trailers at public schools with an administrative special use permit.

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 5-602 (Coordinated Development Districts, created, consistency with Master Plan, required Approvals) of Section 5-600 (CDD/Coordinated Development District) of Article V (Mixed Use Zones) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in accordance with the text amendment heretofore approved by City Council as Text Amendment No. 2016-0006.

The proposed ordinance accomplishes the final adoption of Text Amendment No. 2016-0006 to add public schools to the list of uses in the CDD #4 with a CDD Special Use Permit.

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Article II (Definitions), Article III (Residential Zone Regulations), Article IV (Commercial Zone Regulations), Article V (Mixed Use Zones), Article VI (Special and Overlay Zones), Article VII (Supplemental Zone Regulations), Article XI (Development Approvals and Procedures) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in accordance with the text amendments heretofore approved by City Council as Text Amendment No. 2016-0004.

The proposed ordinance accomplishes the final adoptions of Text Amendment No. 2016-0004 to allow administrative review of Special Use Permits for certain uses requiring a hearing; allow certain uses requiring a Special Use Permit to be permitted by-right; update various use categories and definitions to clarify and identify certain uses; amend the criteria for Minor Amendment and Outdoor Dining administrative review of Special Use Permits; and various technical corrections.

THE PUBLIC IS ADVISED THAT AMENDMENTS OR ADDITIONS MAY BE MADE TO PROPOSED ORDINANCES WITHOUT FURTHER PUBLICATION. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT PERSONS INTERESTED IN ANY OF THESE ORDINANCES OBTAIN FREE FULL-TEXT COPIES FROM THE CITY CLERK AT CITY HALL. JACKIE M. HENDERSON, MMC, CITY CLERK

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING:

Public Hearing will be held by the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, City of Alexandria, Virginia, on Saturday, June 18, 2016, at 9:30 a.m., or as soon as may be heard on the hereinafter described items.

Public Hearing on the Consideration of a Lease with the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority for Cameron Run Regional Park.

For more information, please call 703-746-4550.

Jacqueline M. Henderson  
City Clerk and Clerk of Council

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Notice of Availability of an Environmental Assessment and Draft Finding of No Significant Impact for Davison Army Airfield Hazardous Tree Removal

Fort Belvoir, Virginia

Interested parties are hereby notified that the U.S. Army Garrison Fort Belvoir has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) and a Draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FNSI) in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, and regulations implementing the procedural provisions of the NEPA, 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 1500-1508, and Environmental Analysis of Army Actions, 32 CFR 651. The EA analyzed the potential environmental impacts that may occur as a result of the proposed removal of trees on Davison Army Airfield airfield proper that violate the primary surface, approach-departure clearance surface, transitional surface, taxiway clearance, and apron clearance safety areas to ensure pilot safety and to comply with regulatory guidance outlined in Unified Facilities Criteria 3-260-01, Airfield and Heliport Planning Design, and Federal Aviation Regulation Part 77.

The EA is incorporated by reference in the Draft FNSI. Based on the EA, the Army has determined that implementation of the Proposed Action would have no significant adverse direct, indirect, or cumulative effects on the quality of the human or natural environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared.

A copy of the EA and Draft FNSI are available for review and comment at the following libraries: Fort Belvoir Van Noy Library, and Fairfax County Public Library at the following locations: Lorton Branch, Sherwood Regional Branch, and Kingstowne Branch. The documents are also available at: <http://www.belvoir.army.mil/envirodocssection2.asp>. Comments on the EA and Draft FNSI should be submitted to Mr. Felix M. Mariani, Fort Belvoir DPW Environmental and Natural Resources Division, Building 1442, 9430 Jackson Loop, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060, or [usarmy.belvoir.imcom-atlantic.mbx.enrd@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.belvoir.imcom-atlantic.mbx.enrd@mail.mil). Comments must be received no later than 30 days after publication of this Notice of Availability.

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### ALEXANDRIA CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS INVITATION TO BID NUMBER 16-05-03

The Alexandria City School Board dba Alexandria City Public Schools is seeking bids for John Adams Elementary School Parking Lot Improvements at Alexandria City Public Schools.

Sealed Bids with the notation ITB # 16-05-03, John Adams Parking Lot Improvements will be received in the Central Procurement Office, 1340 Braddock Place, Suite 620, Alexandria, Virginia 22314, on or before 3:00 pm, Thursday July 14, 2016. The time of receipt shall be determined by the time clock stamp in the Procurement office. Bids appropriately received will be opened and the names of the firms responding will be read aloud. ITB documents may be obtained at the above Procurement Office or by calling 703-619-8162, or by downloading the ITB from the ACPs website at [www.acps.k12.va.us](http://www.acps.k12.va.us), Administration, Financial Services, Procurement and General Services - Current Bids and Request for Proposals.

All questions must be submitted before 3:00 p.m., July 8, 2016. If necessary, an addendum will be issued and posted to the ACPs web site.

A pre-bid conference/site visit will be held on June 30, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the address listed above.

No ITB may be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) days after the opening of bids except as may be set forth in the ITB.

ACPS reserves the right to cancel this ITB and/or reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities in any bid.

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### ALEXANDRIA CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS INVITATION TO BID NUMBER 16-06-03

The Alexandria City School Board dba Alexandria City Public Schools is seeking bids for HVAC Replacement at George Washington Middle School.

Sealed Bids with the notation ITB # 16-06-03, G.W. Middle School HVAC Replacement will be received in the Central Procurement Office, 1340 Braddock Place, Suite 620, Alexandria, Virginia 22314, on or before 3:00 pm, Thursday July 14, 2016. The time of receipt shall be determined by the time clock stamp in the Procurement office. Bids appropriately received will be opened and the names of the firms responding will be read aloud. ITB documents may be obtained at the above Procurement Office or by calling 703-619-8162, or by downloading the ITB from the ACPs website at <http://www.acps.k12.va.us/financial-services/purchasing/>

All questions must be submitted before 3:00 p.m., July 6, 2016. If necessary, an addendum will be issued and posted to the ACPs web site.

A pre-bid conference/site visit will be held on June 28, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the address listed above.

No ITB may be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) days after the opening of bids except as may be set forth in the ITB.

ACPS reserves the right to cancel this ITB and/or reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities in any bid.

Gerald W. Amacker (Jerry)  
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### ALEXANDRIA CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NUMBER 16-06-02

The Alexandria City School Board dba Alexandria City Public Schools is seeking competitive proposals from qualified Offerors to provide Video Production Services.

Sealed Proposals with the notation RFP# 16-06-02 Video Production Services will be received in the Central Procurement Office, 1340 Braddock Place, Suite 620, Alexandria, Virginia 22314, on or before 3:00 pm, June 28, 2016. The time of receipt shall be determined by the time clock stamp in the Procurement office. Proposals appropriately received will be opened and the names of the firms responding will be read aloud. RFP documents may be obtained at the above Procurement Office or by calling 703-619-8181, or by downloading the RFP from the ACPs website at <http://www.acps.k12.va.us/financialservices/purchasing/bids.php>

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decrease in delays for morning rush hour and a 19 percent decrease in the evening. Total cost for the project is around \$11.5 million.

"The focus of this project is on pedestrian safety," said Yon Lambert, director of Alexandria Transportation and Environmental Services, "The idea is to shorten walking distance for pedestrians and slow down cars."

City officials hope a more pedestrian friendly area will increase access to and encourage citizens to use public transportation.

The project will move forward in three phases. Phase I is projected to take 12 months and will mainly relocate utilities in preparation for sidewalk and street widening. Phase II will be construction of actual improvements to the sidewalk and road.

at the crossroads. Mayor Allison Silberberg and City Manager Mark Jinks gave opening remarks, thanking everyone involved in the project's work and approval. The City Council then ceremonially took up shovels to break dirt on the project.

The beginning of this project marks an end for years of planning and debate, with the project first being proposed in the 1970s. Current plans have reduced the amount of land the city would have to acquire from private citizens.

The project will add six-foot landscape buffers between the traffic and pedestrians with added crosswalks and pedestrian signals. The project also features added left turn lanes in each direction. Studies have said overall this will create a 31 percent



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## Bike Safety

**Alexandria Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee held a bike rodeo on Friday, June 10, at Polk Elementary School in conjunction with the school's ice cream social.**

## BULLETIN BOARD

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**Andrew Adkins Community** at Charles Houston Rec. Center

### THURSDAY/JUNE 23

**Author Talk.** 7-8:30 p.m. at Beatley Central Library, 5005 Duke St. Wall Street Journal Bestselling author Kathleen Sindell, Ph.D. provides discusses her new book, "Social Security: Maximize Your Benefits (2nd Edition)." Call 703-746-1702.

**Public Hearing.** 7 p.m. at the Charles Houston Community Center, 901 Wythe St. The Park and Recreation Commission will hold a public hearing to receive comment on the planning process to determine the framework for future site improvements at Cameron Run Regional Park. Contact Jack Browand at Jack.Browand@alexandriava.gov or 703-746-5504.

### THURSDAY-SATURDAY/JUNE 23-25

**Charrette/Open House.** The Old Town North Small Area Plan Update Advisory Group will host a charrette to develop a preliminary draft illustrative design and draft policy narratives for the plan update. The charrette will be held at 66 Canal Center Plaza (second floor), according to the schedule below. Visit [www.alexandriava.gov/Planning](http://www.alexandriava.gov/Planning) for more.

### FRIDAY/JUNE 24

**Sugar Shack Honors Teachers.** Sugar Shack, 804 N. Henry St, with the public's help, will deliver donuts to nominated Alexandria school teachers. Post nominations at [www.facebook.com/sugarshackalexandria](http://www.facebook.com/sugarshackalexandria), or [twitter.com/SugarShackDMV](https://twitter.com/SugarShackDMV). Nominations will be accepted through the end of the 2015-2016 school year.



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## Supporting Life With Cancer Center

**Fraternal Order of the Eagles ALVA #871 secretary Jean Oliver, left, presents a check in the amount of \$5,000 to Amy Richards, development director of the Life With Cancer Center. The funds were raised by the FOE Auxiliary in Alexandria to support the mission of the center, which is to enhance the quality of life of those affected by cancer through education, information and support. Services are provided free of charge to children, teens and adults regardless of where they live or receive treatment. Call 703-698-2526 or visit [www.LifeWithCancer.org](http://www.LifeWithCancer.org).**

### Obituary

## Richard Bruce Neuhart

Richard Bruce Neuhart, age 65, passed away peacefully Sunday, June 20, at an Alzheimer's Care Facility in Annandale, VA.

A native of Bellaire, Ohio, Bruce was preceded in death by his mother, Betty Lou Dickens Neuhart and his father, Richard Frederick Neuhart, both of Bellaire. He attended Bellaire public schools, and Linsly Military Institute in Wheeling, W.VA. He subsequently graduated from Fort Hunt High School in Alexandria, VA, and the College of Wooster in Wooster, OH. He was a member of the Heritage Presbyterian Church, Alexandria, VA.

Bruce had retired from an outstanding career in the federal government including positions with the U.S. Department of Energy at the U.S. Pavilions at the World's Fairs in Spokane, WA, and New Orleans, LA. He last served as a manager with the Federal Emergency Management Agency in Washington, DC.

A lifelong sports fan, Bruce was an avid supporter of the Washington Redskins, Ohio State University, Fort Hunt High School and Bellaire High School. He loved the outdoors and his dog, Sam, and finished the prestigious Marine Corps Marathon in Washington, DC.

A devoted son and loving brother, he is survived by his brother, Capt. Mark D. Neuhart, USN (Ret.) (Pam) of Knoxville, TN; his sisters, Paige Harrell (Stan) of Alexandria, VA. and Brooke Neuhart Toth of Phoenix, AZ. Bruce has five nieces and nephews: Sara and Matthew Neuhart, Elizabeth and Jonathan Harrell and Thomas Toth.

There will be a private graveside service held on Saturday at the Greenwood Cemetery in Bellaire, Ohio with the Rev. David Demarest presiding.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America (alzfdn.org).

Arrangements by Bauknecht-Altmeier Funeral Home and Crematory, Bellaire, Ohio.

Online condolences at [www.bauknechtaltmeier.com](http://www.bauknechtaltmeier.com).

### Public Notice – Environmental Permit

Purpose of notice: To seek public comment on a draft permit from the Department of Environmental Quality that will allow the filling of wetlands and streams in Fairfax County, Virginia.

Public comment period: For 30 days, starting from the day after the notice is in the newspaper: June 24, 2016 to July 25, 2016

Permit name: Virginia Water Protection Permit issued by DEQ, under the authority of the State Water Control Board

applicant Name, address and permit number: Fairfax County-Department of Public Works and Environmental Services; 12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 449, Fairfax, Virginia 22035; VWPP No. 15-1292

Project description: Fairfax County-Department of Public Works and Environmental Services has applied for a new permit for the Huntington Run Levee. The project is located in Huntington Park, parallel to and between Arlington Terrace and Cameron Run (waterway) at the northern end of Liberty Drive in Fairfax County, Virginia. The permit will allow the applicant to construct a 2,800-foot long earthen levee capped with a concrete I-wall and associated infrastructure including a pump station, interior drainage and storm sewer system, outfall channels, high flow diversion culverts, and a runoff storage ponding area. The proposed activity would affect 1.04 acres of tidal and nontidal wetlands and 1,391 linear feet of tidal and nontidal streams. The activity proposed in the permit will affect unnamed tributaries to Cameron Run in the Potomac watershed. A watershed is the land area drained by a river and its incoming streams. To compensate for the affected area, the applicant would purchase 2.16 wetland credits and 738 stream credits from a DEQ approved mitigation bank that is authorized to sell credits to the permitted impact site and/or the Virginia Aquatic Resources Trust Fund. DEQ's preliminary decision is to issue the permit.

HOW TO COMMENT AND/OR REQUEST A PUBLIC HEARING: DEQ accepts comments and requests for public hearing by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments and requests must be in writing and be received by DEQ during the comment period. Submittals must include the names, mailing addresses and telephone numbers of the commenter/requester and of all persons represented by the commenter/requester. A request for public hearing must also include: 1) The reason why a public hearing is requested. 2) A brief, informal statement regarding the nature and extent of the interest of the requester or of those represented by the requestor, including how and to what extent such interest would be directly and adversely affected by the permit. 3) Specific references, where possible, to terms and conditions of the permit with suggested revisions. A public hearing may be held, including another comment period, if public response is significant, based on individual requests for a public hearing, and there are substantial, disputed issues relevant to the permit.

Contact for public comments, document requests and additional information: Allison King; Northern Regional Office, 13901 Crown Court, Woodbridge, Virginia 22193; Phone: 703-583-3909; E-mail: [Allison.King@deq.virginia.gov](mailto:Allison.King@deq.virginia.gov); Fax: (703) 583-3821. The public may review the draft permit and application at the DEQ office named above by appointment or may request copies of the documents from the contact person listed.

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**ABC NOTICE**  
Hen Quarter, LLC trading as Hen Quarter, 801 King St, Alexandria, VA 22314. The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) for a Wine and Beer On Premises, Mixed Beverage Restaurant license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages. Ali Azima Managing Member NOTE: Objections to the issuance of this license must be submitted to ABC no later than 30 days from the publishing date of the first of two required newspaper legal notices. Objections should be registered at [www.abc.virginia.gov](http://www.abc.virginia.gov) or 800-552-3200.

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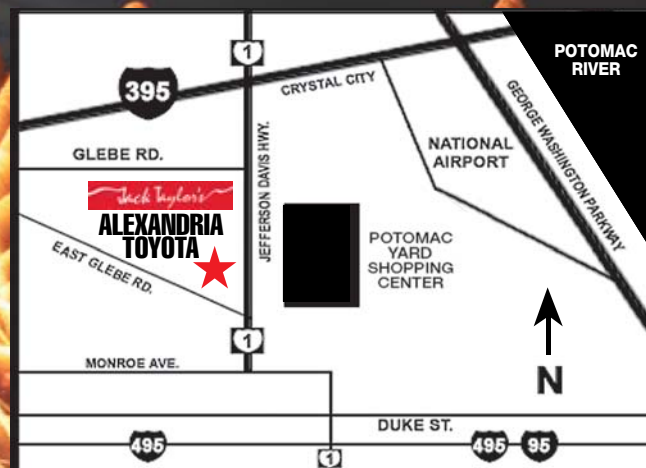
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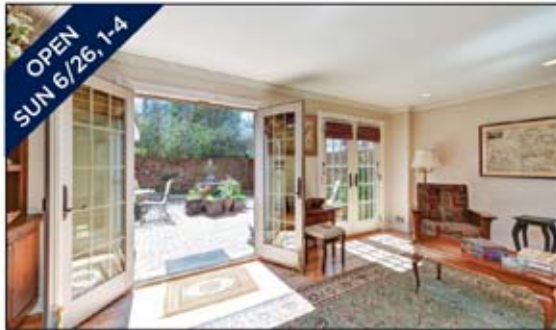
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