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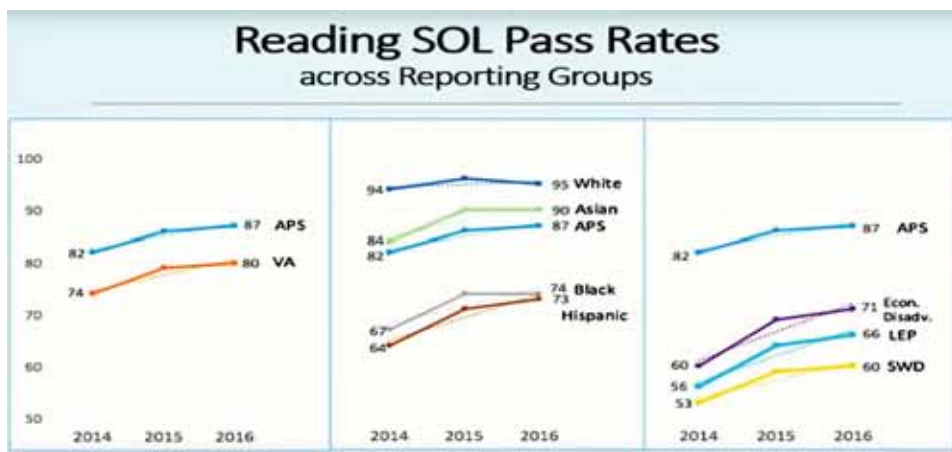
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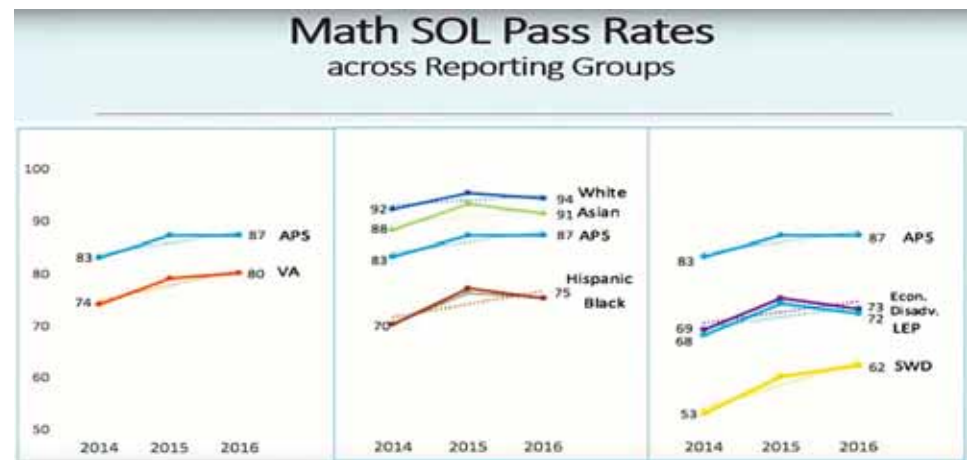
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One of the Fraternidad Cultural Pachamama dancers is ready to perform in the Arlington County Fair Parade on Saturday, Aug. 20.



Results of Arlington Reading SOLs.



Results of Arlington Math SOLs.

Scores Grow, Gap Shrinks

Arlington Schools achievement gap still wide, but narrowing.

BY VERNON MILES
THE CONNECTION

Arlington Public Schools have two top goals: making sure every student is challenged and engaged and eliminating achievement gaps. On Aug. 18, the Arlington School Board met to discuss how the results of the 2016 Standards of Learning (SOL) testing shows the school system meeting those goals. For the most part, the test results showed continual improvement in the schools and in closing the gaps between student demographic groups, but members of the School Board also noted that Arlington still has a lot of work left to do to meet their goals.

“[SOL testing] gives a great snapshot of where we are in terms of our academic achievement data and gives us the big picture,” said Dr. Tara Nattrass, assistant superintendent for instruction. “We’ll be continuing to dig into this data over the course of the year with monitoring reports.”

Nattrass emphasized that the testing data is just one measurement of how the schools meet those goals. According to Nattrass, other critical information, like how the

scores vary from school to school within the system, will be presented in September.

Over the last three years, Arlington SOL results improved in every category except social studies, where scores remained even each year. In most categories, Arlington students tested roughly 10 points higher than the state average. For history and science, Arlington students scored five points higher than the state average.

“Social studies has been flat,” said Nattrass. “This is something our social studies supervisor is looking into. We’re looking at where we go in terms of this data.”

While testing scores in general have improved, Nattrass also noted that scores in Arlington’s high schools remained flat over the last three years despite a small bump in 2015.

Nattrass said the SOL results also highlight a continuing achievement gap inside Arlington schools between white and minority students, though the data also shows that gap is closing at a faster rate each year. In all four categories in 2016, white students consistently scored a 95 percent pass rate, while black and Hispanic students passed at 74 and 73 percent.

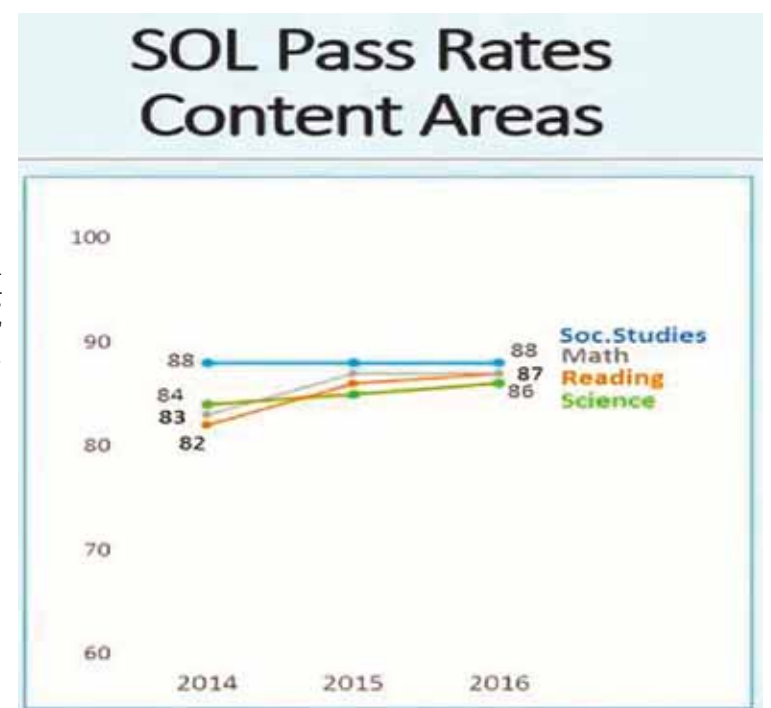
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— School Board Chair Emma Violand-Sanchez.

Arlington SOL testing results over three years.

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is that the rate of improvement for black and Hispanic students is growing at a faster rate than our white or Asian students,” said Nattrass. “If the slope is greater for those students, then their rate of improvement is greater and we’re closing the gap.”

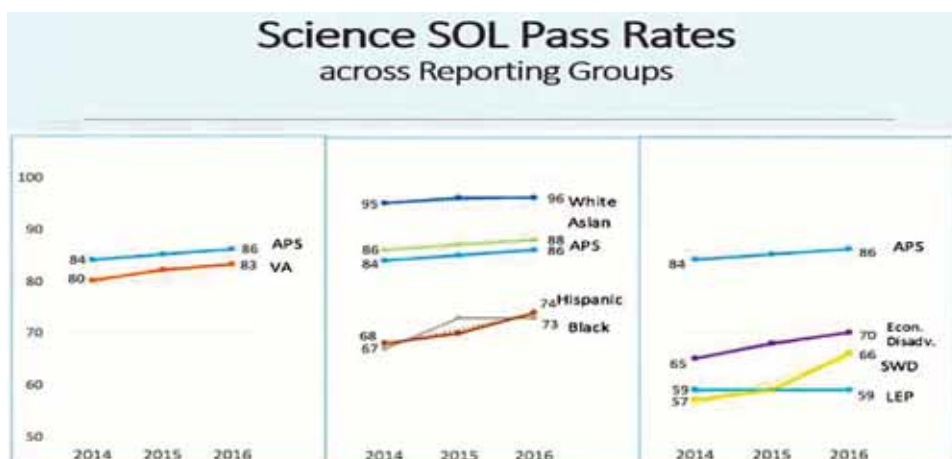
We need to close at a faster rate for students with disabilities.”

School Board members said that while they were happy with the progress made in general testing scores, Arlington schools needed to continue to work on closing the achievement gap.

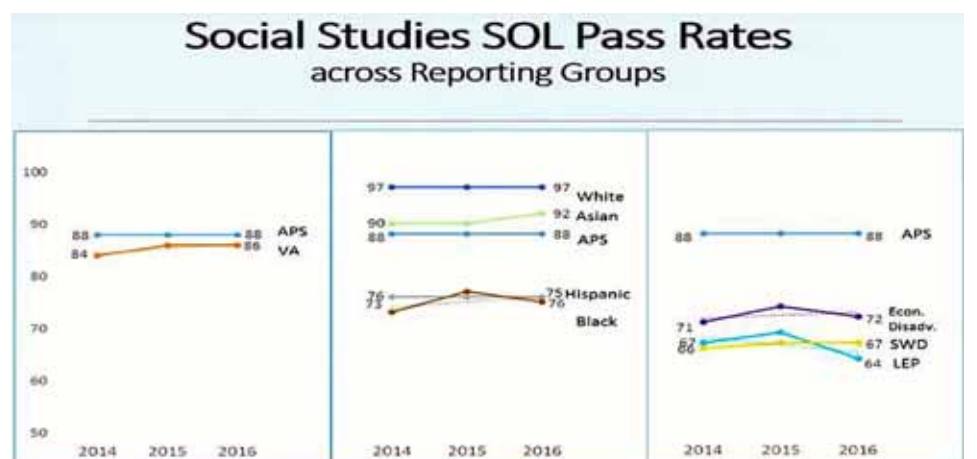
“This is one of the issues that has dogged us,” said School Board Member Barbara Kanninen. “We haven’t made a lot of progress on our achievement gap.”

“It’s very disappointing sometimes to continue to see this,” said School Board Chair Emma Violand-Sanchez. “I know you say there’s progress, but it’s minimal progress and then it goes down again. To close the gaps, students have to grow almost two years in one year to close the gap. There really has to be an acceleration. With social

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Results of Arlington Science SOLs.



Result of Arlington Social Studies SOLs.

A Day at the County Fair Food, performances, and a parade at the Arlington County Fair.



PHOTOS BY VERNON MILES/THE CONNECTION

The Capitol Heights performs at the Arlington County Fair.



The Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps marches in the Arlington County Fair Parade.



Food trucks and vendors line the main thoroughfare of the Arlington County Fair.

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Fraternidad Cultural Pachamama dancers in the Arlington County Fair Parade.



The Arlington Combined Honor Guard marches in the Arlington County Fair Parade.



Arlingtonians fill the streets for the Arlington County Fair Parade on Saturday, Aug. 20.

OPINION

Lifesaving Conversations Every Day

Take one action for awareness of National Suicide Prevention week #MindsMatter.

BY WENDY GRADISON
CEO, PRS, INC.



Wendy Gradison

It's 3 p.m. School's out. Like clockwork, alerts start ringing, letting our crisis workers know that young people are out of class, and they need to talk.

"Hi, I don't know who to talk to. I don't know what to do." Every day PRS, a local nonprofit helping those with mental health issues and facing life crises, gets texts like these through our CrisisText Connect textline.

Our trained volunteers respond and engage in life-saving conversations with teens and others who are facing life crises, steering them to help and safety. Having dialogues and making it easier to discuss problems before crisis occurs is key to preventing suicides. After all, suicide is the 10th leading cause of death nationwide and second leading cause for people aged 15-24, so the individual and societal toll of suicide is real.

In preparation for National Suicide Prevention Week NSPW which starts Sept. 5, PRS has teamed up with Connection Newspapers to

host the second annual #MindsMatter Social Media Campaign. Visit prsinc.org/mindsmatter. We designed the campaign to encourage the community to pledge to do something that raises awareness about suicide prevention.

Our #MindsMatter campaign uses social media as a catalyst for conversation and action to prevent suicide. Our campaign deputizes the community, providing ways to "pledge" to spread the word, change minds and save lives. This is an especially important way to reach younger people with a message of hope.

The #MindsMatter pledge outlines activities that people can do to make a difference and spread awareness before, during and after the week. Anyone can take the pledge by visiting

www.prsinc.org/mindsmatter or the Connection Newspaper's social media pages. Examples of activities people can pledge to do include:

- ❖ Following PRS Facebook and Twitter pages
- ❖ Submitting a selfie showing support of National Suicide Prevention Week
- ❖ Participating in the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention's walk on Sept. 24, or the National Alliance on Mental Illness walk on Sept. 24
- ❖ Taking a stress test
- ❖ Sharing the campaign with family and friends
- ❖ Setting a personal goal to improve mental health
- ❖ Reading and sharing stories about individuals who have survived a suicide attempt and/or helping individuals cope with thoughts of suicide
- ❖ Signing up for a suicide prevention workshop

Each year, more than 42,000 Americans die by suicide. Despite this statistic, for every death, 278 people manage to move past thoughts of suicide and survive. By participating in the #MindsMatter campaign, you can play a role making it okay to discuss suicide and mental health issues openly. Take the pledge. It may just save a life.

COMMENTARY

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Email announcements to arlington@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.

SATURDAY/AUG. 27

Police Host Summer Block Party. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at Kenmore Middle School, 200 S. Carlin Springs Road. The Arlington County Police Department invites residents to join them during the second annual

Summer Block Party. Get to know neighbors and police officers while enjoying interactive stations, safety demonstrations, entertainment, food and more. Free. Visit newsroom.arlingtonva.us/release/police-to-host-summer-block-party/ for more.

THURSDAY/SEPT. 1

Application Deadline. The Arlington County Police Department is now accepting applications for the fall Citizen's Police Academy, beginning Thursday, Sept. 15. The academy will consist of 12 sessions that meet on Thursdays, 6:30-9:30 p.m. at police headquarters, 1425 North Courthouse Road. Individuals who apply will be subject to a background check. Call 703-228-4247 or email ACPDTraining@arlingtonva.us.

MONDAY/SEPT. 5

Conference Registration Deadline. Thursday, Sept. 29-Saturday, Oct. 1, 17th Annual Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference at Sheraton Hotel-Pentagon City, 900 S. Orme St. The conference will bring together hundreds of participants from across the state to learn and share information on creating diverse, sustainable neighborhoods. \$75 (including workshops, meals, networking event, welcome reception and related activities, including a Youth Café encouraging 13-to-18-year-olds to engage in civic activities in their communities. Visit www.vsn.org/ to register.

SEPT. 10-21

2016 Northern Virginia Senior Olympics. Registration forms will be available at community and senior centers, senior residences and event venues. The registration fee is \$12, which covers multiple events. Three events have an added fee, ten pin bowling, golf and orienteering. Deadline for registering is Aug. 27 (by mail), Sept. 3 (online). Call 703-830-5604 or email nvso1982@gmail.com for more.

Volunteers Needed. The Northern Virginia Senior Olympics has more than 50 events scheduled at 20 venues, including track and field, swimming and diving, Spelling Bee



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'Come and You Will See'

The Catholic Diocese of Arlington held its first Korean-American Catholic Conference, "Come and You Will See," on Aug. 20 which mirrored an annual conference in South Korea that helps teenagers determine what they want to do with their lives. The diocese has an estimated 10,000 registered Korean-American Catholics — the highest concentration in the country, according to the Korean American Priests Association. Started in 2009 in Seoul, the initiative aims to help teenagers determine their calling — whether it's a single life, marriage, religious life, etc., through a series of workshops. The conference, held in Korean and English, took place at St. Paul Chung Catholic Church in Fairfax.

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HOME SALES

In July 2016, 286 Arlington homes sold between \$2,325,000-\$128,500.
This week's list represents those homes sold in the \$2,325,000-\$835,000 range.
For the complete list, visit www.ConnectionNewspapers.com

| Address | BR | FB | HB | | Postal City | Sold Price | Type | Lot AC | PostalCode |
|---------------------------------|----|-----|----|-------|-------------------|------------------|-------------|---------------------|------------|
| 3147 QUINCY ST N | 7 | ... | 6 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$2,325,000 | Detached | 0.24 22207 |
| 2611 MARCEY RD | 6 | ... | 5 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$2,135,000 | Detached | 0.27 22207 |
| 2311 ALBEMARLE ST N | 5 | ... | 5 | ... | 2 | ARLINGTON | \$1,799,000 | Detached | 0.22 22207 |
| 515 LINCOLN ST N | 6 | ... | 5 | ... | 0 | ARLINGTON | \$1,700,000 | Detached | 0.16 22201 |
| 4389 OLD DOMINION DR | 8 | ... | 6 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,697,500 | Detached | 0.33 22207 |
| 6520 27TH ST N | 5 | ... | 4 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,690,000 | Detached | 0.19 22213 |
| 2021 STAFFORD ST | 5 | ... | 4 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,680,000 | Detached | 0.17 22207 |
| 3409 WILSON BLVD #711 | 3 | ... | 2 | ... | 0 | ARLINGTON | \$1,649,900 | Mid-Rise 5-8 Floors | 22201 |
| 6235 21ST ST N | 5 | ... | 4 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,600,000 | Detached | 0.18 22205 |
| 2533 UTAH ST | 5 | ... | 4 | ... | 0 | ARLINGTON | \$1,576,265 | Detached | 0.16 22207 |
| 5618 WILLIAMSBURG BLVD | 6 | ... | 5 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,560,000 | Detached | 0.23 22207 |
| 616 VERMONT ST | 4 | ... | 2 | ... | 0 | ARLINGTON | \$1,550,000 | Detached | 0.35 22203 |
| 3501 JOHN MARSHALL DR | 5 | ... | 5 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,550,000 | Detached | 0.24 22207 |
| 6000 27TH ST N | 5 | ... | 5 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,505,000 | Detached | 0.19 22207 |
| 4911 34TH RD N | 5 | ... | 4 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,490,000 | Detached | 0.16 22207 |
| 3229 OHIO ST N | 5 | ... | 4 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,440,000 | Detached | 0.33 22207 |
| 1523 16TH RD N | 3 | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,400,000 | Attach/Row Hse | 0.02 22209 |
| 1422 HERNDON ST N | 3 | ... | 3 | ... | 0 | ARLINGTON | \$1,385,000 | Detached | 0.28 22201 |
| 4839 LITTLE FALLS RD | 5 | ... | 4 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,370,000 | Detached | 0.17 22207 |
| 2701 1ST RD N | 5 | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,325,000 | Detached | 0.13 22201 |
| 1170 IVANHOE ST N | 6 | ... | 5 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,320,000 | Detached | 0.19 22205 |
| 2238 NOTTINGHAM ST | 5 | ... | 4 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,300,000 | Detached | 0.18 22205 |
| 4112 RANDOLPH ST N | 5 | ... | 4 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,295,000 | Detached | 0.25 22207 |
| 5710 25TH ST N | 5 | ... | 5 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,275,000 | Detached | 0.25 22207 |
| 1822 STAFFORD ST N | 5 | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,274,500 | Detached | 0.17 22207 |
| 817 26TH PL S | 4 | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,265,000 | Detached | 0.20 22202 |
| 1719 MONROE ST N | 6 | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,219,000 | Detached | 0.15 22207 |
| 1236 UTAH ST | 3 | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,195,000 | Detached | 0.14 22201 |
| 6222 21ST ST N | 4 | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,174,000 | Detached | 0.16 22205 |
| 3127 POLLARD ST N | 4 | ... | 3 | ... | 2 | ARLINGTON | \$1,169,000 | Detached | 0.26 22207 |
| 1512 HARRISON ST | 3 | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,153,000 | Detached | 0.30 22205 |
| 5119 27TH RD N | 5 | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,150,000 | Detached | 0.12 22207 |
| 2518 FORT SCOTT DR | 4 | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,130,000 | Detached | 0.26 22202 |
| 1530 COLONIAL TER | 3 | ... | 2 | ... | 2 | ARLINGTON | \$1,130,000 | Townhouse | 0.07 22209 |
| 5429 CARLIN SPRINGS RD | 5 | ... | 3 | ... | 0 | ARLINGTON | \$1,123,500 | Detached | 0.26 22203 |
| 5515 LITTLE FALLS RD | 5 | ... | 3 | ... | 0 | ARLINGTON | \$1,123,000 | Detached | 0.23 22207 |
| 2835 11TH ST N | 3 | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,100,000 | Townhouse | 0.02 22201 |
| 2239 FAIRFAX DR N | 4 | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,099,000 | Townhouse | 22201 |
| 3228 PERSHING DR | 4 | ... | 3 | ... | 0 | ARLINGTON | \$1,085,000 | Detached | 0.16 22201 |
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| 1304 19TH RD S | 4 | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,039,000 | Detached | 0.14 22202 |
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| 3816 30TH ST N | 5 | ... | 2 | ... | 0 | ARLINGTON | \$1,010,000 | Detached | 0.29 22207 |
| 1117 17TH ST S | 5 | ... | 4 | ... | 0 | ARLINGTON | \$1,000,000 | Detached | 0.14 22202 |
| 3007 12TH ST S | 4 | ... | 4 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$1,000,000 | Detached | 0.14 22204 |
| 1881 NASH ST #1004 | 1 | ... | 2 | ... | 0 | ARLINGTON | \$1,000,000 | Hi-Rise 9+ Floors | 22209 |
| 2240 QUEBEC ST | 4 | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$994,900 | Detached | 0.22 22207 |
| 3855 30TH ST N | 3 | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$990,000 | Detached | 0.30 22207 |
| 2801 LEE HWY #203 | 3 | ... | 2 | ... | 0 | ARLINGTON | \$960,000 | Garden 1-4 Floors | 22201 |
| 4636 2ND ST S | 5 | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$960,000 | Detached | 0.11 22204 |
| 1401 OAK ST N #301 | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$960,000 | Mid-Rise 5-8 Floors | 22209 |
| 4306 24TH ST N | 4 | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$950,000 | Detached | 0.18 22207 |
| 1101 TAYLOR ST | 3 | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$948,000 | Detached | 0.11 22201 |
| 2410 13TH CT N | 3 | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$940,000 | Townhouse | 0.02 22201 |
| 1118 17TH ST S | 3 | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$940,000 | Detached | 0.14 22202 |
| 3021 FLORIDA ST N | 4 | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$940,000 | Detached | 0.32 22207 |
| 4630 40TH ST N | 4 | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$922,000 | Detached | 0.24 22207 |
| 4620 23RD ST N | 5 | ... | 3 | ... | 0 | ARLINGTON | \$915,500 | Detached | 0.18 22207 |
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| 608 VERMONT ST | 4 | ... | 2 | ... | 0 | ARLINGTON | \$900,000 | Detached | 0.51 22203 |
| 606 BARTON S ST | 5 | ... | 3 | ... | 0 | ARLINGTON | \$900,000 | Detached | 0.12 22204 |
| 609 KENMORE ST | 3 | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$895,000 | Detached | 0.15 22201 |
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| 2914 23RD ST N | 3 | ... | 3 | ... | 0 | ARLINGTON | \$885,000 | Detached | 0.10 22201 |
| 3625 10TH ST N #707 | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$880,000 | Hi-Rise 9+ Floors | 22201 |
| 4636 40TH ST N | 4 | ... | 3 | ... | 0 | ARLINGTON | \$879,500 | Detached | 0.24 22207 |
| 1900 VEITCH ST | 3 | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$872,000 | Townhouse | 0.07 22201 |
| 2220 ILLINOIS ST | 4 | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$854,500 | Detached | 0.14 22205 |
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| 2327 NORTH GLEBE RD | 4 | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$850,000 | Townhouse | 0.09 22207 |
| 4400 PERSHING CT | 4 | ... | 3 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$849,500 | Townhouse | 0.09 22204 |
| 2428 POTOMAC ST | 4 | ... | 2 | ... | 0 | ARLINGTON | \$847,000 | Detached | 0.29 22207 |
| 3827 8TH ST S | 4 | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$845,000 | Detached | 0.19 22204 |
| 1811 14TH ST N #C104 | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$845,000 | Garden 1-4 Floors | 22209 |
| 2621 ARLINGTON RIDGE RD S | 3 | ... | 2 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$840,000 | Detached | 0.17 22202 |
| 2119 ROLFE ST | 3 | ... | 3 | ... | 0 | ARLINGTON | \$838,000 | Detached | 0.18 22209 |
| 1700 CLARENDON BLVD #B122 | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ARLINGTON | \$835,000 | Mid-Rise 5-8 Floors | 22209 |

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ONGOING

NoVa Lights Chorale Rehearsals.

Mondays, 7-9 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 3439 Payne Street, Falls Church. NoVa Lights Chorale is welcoming new singers for their Oct. 30 performance of the Gabriel Faure "Requiem." Singers need to start on Aug. 22 and hopefully commit. Free. Advance registration required: www.novalightschorale.jigsy.com/sing or email novalightschorale@gmail.com.

Sci-Fi Book Club. Third Wednesday of each month, 7-8:30 p.m. at Java Shack, 2507 N. Franklin Road. Free. Visit www.library.arlingtonva.us.

Kenmore Students Glass Art Exhibit.

Library hours at Arlington Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Kenmore Middle School students will have stained glass art displayed. Free. Email jeffbrookland@me.com.

"The Good Devil (in Spite of Himself)." Various times at Gunston Theatre Two, 2700 S. Lang St. When a Commedia dell'Arte theater troupe in 17th-century France is bedeviled by a royal decree forbidding them from speaking onstage, the rambunctious actors stage an ingenious revolt. Tickets are \$10-35. Visit www.wscavantbard.org for more.

Netherlands Carillon Concerts.

Saturdays through Aug. 28, 6-7 p.m. at 1400 N. Meade St. Guest artists play patriotic music, jazz and pop on the Carillon's 50 bells. Free. Visit www.rosslynva.org for more.

Art Exhibit: "Blue." Through Aug. 26, gallery hours at Gallery Underground, 2100 Crystal Drive. Resident artists explores the many connotations of the color blue. Free. Visit www.galleryunderground.org for more.

"Jelly's Last Jam." Through Sept. 11, various times at Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave. Signature presents a musical about famed and notorious jazz entertainer Jelly Roll Morton. Tickets start at \$40. Visit www.sigtheatre.org for more.

Lubber Run Concert Series. Fridays-Sundays through Sept. 18 at Lubber Run Amphitheater, 200 N. Columbus St. Free. Visit www.arlingtonarts.org for more.

Ball Sellers House. Saturdays, April-Oct., 1-4 p.m. at Ball Sellers House, 5620 3rd St., S. The Ball-Sellers House, the oldest building in Arlington County is open to the public for tours. The house was built around 1742 by John Ball and named the Ball-Sellers House to honor both the builder and the donor. Free. Visit www.arlingtonhistoricalsociety.org for more.

Exhibit: "Strange Landscapes."

Through Oct. 2, gallery hours at Arlington Arts Center, 3550 Wilson Blvd. "Strange Landscapes" approaches landscape as a historical legacy, a lens for exploring nature, and foundation for imagining alternative ways of being. Featuring painting, drawing, installation, video, sculpture, and performance, the exhibition highlights artists whose work draws on and challenges traditional artistic approaches to the natural and built environments. Free. Visit www.arlingtonartcenter.org for more.

Exhibit: "Remnants." Through Oct. 8, on view 24 hours a day, seven days a week at 34zero9 Art Studios and Micro Gallery, 3409 Wilson Blvd. "Remnants" will feature new

experimental work of J.T. Kirkland. Free. Visit www.34zero9.wix.com/34zero9artstudios.

Post-Graduate Residency Studio.

Through Nov. 17, gallery hours at The Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. The Torpedo Factory Art Center welcomes four emerging artists to participate in the Post-Graduate Residency Program. Jihee Kang, Paulette Palacios, Anne Smith, and Danielle Smith, were juried by Paul Shortt, new media curator for Arlington Cultural Affairs. Artists can create and sell work, interact with the public, and network with other artists. The program will culminate in a group exhibition in the Torpedo Factory's contemporary exhibition space, the Target Gallery. Free. Visit www.torpedofactory.org for more.

Friday Night Live.

8 p.m. at the Church at Clarendon, 1210 N. Highland St., Suite A. Local musicians perform. Free. Visit 1bc.org for more.

Arlington's Historical Museum Open on First Wednesdays.

The Arlington Historical Museum is open to the public on the first Wednesday of every month from 12:30-3:30 p.m. The museum consists of exhibits chronicling Arlington County's history from Native American settlements up to the present day. The museum will continue to be open on Saturdays and Sundays from 1-4 p.m. Admission is free. The museum is located in the former 1891 Hume School building at 1805 S. Arlington Ridge Road. Contact Garrett Peck at 571-243-1113 or at garrett.peck@arlingtonhistoricalsociety.org.

LGBT & Straight Friends Social.

Tuesdays. Happy Hour, 3 p.m.-7 p.m.; Mikey's "Bar A" Video Wall, 7 p.m.; start time at 8 p.m. IOTA Club & Cafe, 2832 Wilson Blvd. For 21 years and older. Free. Visit www.iotaclubandcafe.com for more information.

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

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

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

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

Open Mic Nite. 8 p.m.-12:30 a.m. every Wednesday at IOTA Club & Cafe, 2832 Wilson Blvd. Sign-up times are 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. Bring instruments, fans and friends. Visit www.iotaclubandcafe.com or call 703-522-8340.

Karaoke. 8 p.m. on the first Sunday every month at Galaxy Hut, 2711 Wilson Blvd. Visit www.galaxyhut.com or call 703-525-8646.

Pub Quiz. 8 p.m. every Sunday at Whitlow's on Wilson, 2854 Wilson Blvd. Prizes for first place. Free. Visit www.whitlows.com or call 703-276-

9693.

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

Lego Club. Monthly on the first Wednesday. 4-5 p.m. Glencarlyn Branch Library, 300 S. Kensington St. The library provides tubs of legos and a special challenge and after the program the creations are displayed for everyone to see. No registration required. Call 703-228-6548 for more.

FRIDAY/AUG. 26

Summer Farewell Campfire.

7-8 p.m. at Long Branch Nature Center, 625 S. Carlin Springs Road. Stories, special animal guests, games, songs and S'mores. Tickets are \$5. Call 703-228-6535.

SATURDAY/AUG. 27

Central Arlington History Tour.

9 a.m. at Clarendon Metro Station. Walk 1-12 miles visiting parks and historic sites in Clarendon, Ballston, Glencarlyn and surrounding areas. Tour historic locations dating from colonial times to early 20th century. Tickets are free for Center Hiking Club Members, \$2 for non-members. Call 7030243-0179 for more.

Summer Block Party. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at Kenmore Middle School, 200 S. Carlin Springs Road. The Arlington County Police Department invites residents to get to know their neighbors and police officers while enjoying interactive stations, safety demonstrations, entertainment, food and more. Free. Visit arlingtonva.us for more.

Wags n' Whiskers. 10 a.m.-4 pm. At the Village at Shirlington, 4000 Campbell Ave. Wags n' Whiskers is a community-oriented event for animal loving shoppers of all ages. The event features 65+ onsite exhibitors ranging from pet services and accessories to onsite adoptions. In addition to the onsite exhibitors, Wags n' Whiskers hosts pet photos (\$5), live music, and children's activities such as face painting, balloon art, strolling entertainment and more. Free. Visit www.villageatshirlington.com for more.

Bat Fest. 6:30-9 p.m. at Gulf Branch Nature Center, 3608 Military Road. Live bat shows are presented by the riveting Leslie Sturges, director of the Save Lucy Campaign established to protect and conserve bats in this region. Tickets are \$8. Call 703-228-3403.

Chicago City Limits. 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. at Arlington Cinema & Drafthouse, 2903 Columbia Pike. Chicago City Limits, an improv theater company, is heading to the epicenter of it all, Washington, D.C., to take on the faces, places and events surrounding this year's chaos. Join CCL on a journey through CampAIN 2016 – an interactive look at what the Don has Done, the Thrillery of Hillary, and Feeling the Berned Out. Tickets are \$20. Visit



Signature Announces Casting for 'The Gulf'

Signature Theatre presents the world premiere of "The Gulf" by D.C. playwright Audrey Cefaly. This play is about Betty and Kendra wasting away a languid summer day fishing on the Alabama Delta. Suddenly, their lazy afternoon turns to chaos when the motor breaks, stranding the two, and their tumultuous relationship, in the Gulf. The show will run Sept. 13-Nov. 6. Tickets start at \$40. Visit www.sigtheatre.org for more.

www.arlingtondrafthouse.com for more.

MONDAY/AUG. 29

Meet the Author: Lesley Lee Francis.

3-4:30 p.m. at Arlington Central Library, 1015 Quincy St. In her lecture Francis, a granddaughter of the poet Robert Frost, will share with her reflections on her grandfather's poems and philosophy. She will present a firsthand account of a family that was enlightened by the perspectives of his poems. Free. Call 703-228-2144.

MONDAY-FRIDAY/AUG. 29-SEPT. 2

Summer Spanish Academy. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at Arlington Partnership for Affordable Housing-Arlington Mill, 901 S. Dinwiddie St. Students work in small groups and focus on language acquisition through arts and crafts, music, cultural activities, and games. Registration is \$300, \$250 for each additional child. Visit www.edu-futuro.org for more.

TUESDAY/AUG. 30

Adult Coloring Party. 7-8 p.m. at Aurora Hills Library, 735 18th St. S. Coloring pages and crayons will be supplied. Free. Visit arlingtonva.libcal.com/event/2632915.

THURSDAY/SEPT. 1

Fall Gardening in Containers. 1 p.m. at Walter Reed Community Center, 2909 16th St. S. The program will be presented for the Over 55 Program at Walter Reed. It will focus on plants you can grow successfully in our area in the fall as well as how to select the right pots, prepare for planting, and keep plants that are growing in containers healthy and happy. Free. Call 703-228-0948 for more.

Left: Rachel Zampelli, below: Maria Rizzo



Fall Lawn Care. 7-8:30 p.m. at Fairlington Community Center, 3308 S. Stafford St. Fall is the ideal time to restore cool-season grass, the most common turfgrass grown on lawns in the Northern Virginia area. This program will describe how to improve lawns and the underlying soil and outline steps for ensuring a beautiful weed-free lawn. Alternatives to turf will also be explored. Free. Visit www.mgnv.org for more.

Roosevelt Run 5K. 7 p.m. at 1301 Lee Highway. ACE Physical Therapy & Sports Medicine Institute and Safety Health Foundation welcome runners and walkers. Registration is \$32, \$40 the day of run. Visit www.ace-pt.org for more.

FRIDAY/SEPT. 2

Making Your Own Walking Stick.

7-8 p.m. at Gulf Branch Nature Center, 3608 Military Road. (Pick out a stick, make a grip for it, and personalize it with your initials or other decorative touches. Tickets are \$10. Call 703-228-3403.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY/SEPT. 2-3

SNL's Darrell Hammond. 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday, 7 p.m. and 10 a.m. at Arlington Cinema & Drafthouse, 2903 Columbia Pike. American stand-up comedian and Saturday Night Live regular Darrell Hammond will perform. Tickets are \$32. Visit www.arlingtondrafthouse.com for more.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 3

Groovy Nate. 11:30 a.m. at Kinder Haus Toys, 1220 N. Fillmore St. Kid's entertainer Groovy Nate performs. Free. Visit www.groovynate.com for more.

Senior's Concert. 2 p.m. at Arlington

ENTERTAINMENT

Women's Club, 700 S. Buchanan St. Baritone Jose Sacin will be joined by tenor Tony Torchia, soprano Jocelyn Hunt and mezzo-soprano Elise Jenkins. They'll sing Broadway hits, spirituals, some familiar opera arias and passages from Scott Joplin's opera "Treemonisha." Tickets are \$5, \$3 for seniors. Call 703-536-7557 for more.

Moonlight Movie: "National Treasure." 8:30 p.m. at Memorial Ave. Ample paid parking is available to visitors, accessible from Memorial Avenue. Guests are encouraged to bring blankets and lawn chairs for seating. Free. Visit www.gwparkwaytrust.org for more.

WEDNESDAY/SEPT. 7

Northern Virginia Bird Club Walk. 8:30-11 a.m. at Long Branch Nature Center, 625 S. Carlin Springs Road. Join members of the Northern Virginia Bird Club for one or all of these informal walks through Long Branch and Glencarlyn Parks in search of resident and migratory birds. Experienced and beginning birders welcome. Free. Call 703-228-6535.

The Arlington Children's Chorus Informational Parents Meeting. 7-9 p.m. at the Arlington Central Library Auditorium, 1015 N. Quincy St. The Arlington Children's Chorus is open to all children in the Washington D.C. metropolitan area with unchanged voices in grades 2-12. Learn more at this event. Free. Visit www.arlingtonchildrenschorus.org.

THURSDAY/SEPT. 8

The Arlington Children's Chorus Fall Auditions. Glebe Elementary, 1770 N. Glebe Road. Children grades 2-12 with unchanged voices are invited to audition for the 2016-2017 season. Free. Visit www.arlingtonchildrenschorus.org.

FRIDAY/SEPT. 9

Keeping Mini-Beasts. 4:30-5:30 p.m. at Gulf Branch Nature Center, 3608 Military Road. (Get ready to (temporarily) own all sorts of mini-beasts and have a series of amazing, unique pets. Learn about different animals' lives while caring for them for a month. At each session you'll return last month's critters, and learn about and receive new ones. Fee is \$30: additional \$20 materials fee for first time participants paid on-site. Call 703-228-3403.

SEPT. 9-OCT. 2

"Dinner With Friends." 8 p.m. at Theatre on the Run, 3700 S. Four Mile Run Drive. "Dinner with Friends" examines the lives of two couples and the repercussions of divorce on their friendships. Tickets are \$25-30. Visit www.petersalley.com for more.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 10

Arlington History Bike Ride. 9 a.m. at Ballston Metro Station. Bike from 1-23 miles visiting Arlington parks and historic sites. Tour historic locations dating from colonial times to early 20th century. Tickets are \$2. Visit www.centerhikingclub.org for more.

Rosslyn Jazz Fest. 1-7 p.m. at Gateway Park, 1300 Lee Highway. The lineup includes Akua Allrich, Vieux Farka Toure, Glen David Andrews Band, and Grupo Fantasma. Free. Visit www.rosslynva.org for more.

Scurrying Squirrels Campfire. 7-8 p.m. at Gulf Branch Nature Center, 3608 Military Road. (This engaging program will be filled with entertaining activities that may

include stories, special animal guests, games, songs, and s'mores. Tickets are \$5 per person; \$20 per family. Call 703-228-3403.

Moonlight Movie: "Flags of Our Fathers." 8:30 p.m. at Arlington National Cemetery. Ample paid parking is available to visitors, accessible from Memorial Avenue. Food is not permitted in Arlington National Cemetery. Guests are encouraged to bring blankets and lawn chairs for seating. Free. Visit www.gwparkwaytrust.org for more.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 11

Beckett's Celtic Festival. 12-7 p.m. at Samuel Beckett's Irish Gastro Pub, 2800 S. Randolph St. Find live music, traditional food and entertainment. Free. Visit www.samuelbecketts.com for more.

A Taste and Tour of the Garden. 1:30-3:30 p.m. at Potomac Overlook Park, 2845 Marcey Road. Join Master Gardener volunteers for a late summer tour of the Demonstration Organic Garden. Free. Visit www.novaparks.com for more.

Sip and Salsa. 2-6 p.m. at 220 20th St. S. The region's longest running inside the beltway outdoor wine festival returns to Crystal City combining the tastes of Spanish and South American wines from Jaleo and the Crystal City Wine Shop with delicious foods from around the region. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. Visit www.crystalcity.org for more.

TUESDAY/SEPT. 13

Scholar's Cup. 3:30-7 p.m. at Upton Hill Regional Park, 6060 Wilson Blvd. Participate in the Chamber's Annual Scholarship Fund fundraising event. This family-friendly event includes a mini-golf tournament, dinner, and music. Registration is \$15-80. Visit www.arlingtonchamber.org for more.

SEPT. 13-NOV. 6

Signature Theatre: "The Gulf."

Various times at Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave. Signature Theatre presents the world premiere of "The Gulf" by D.C. playwright Audrey Cefaly; Betty and Kendra waste away a languid summer day fishing on the Alabama Delta. Suddenly, their lazy afternoon turns to chaos when the motor breaks, stranding the two, and their tumultuous relationship, in the Gulf. Tickets start at \$40. Visit www.sigtheatre.org for more.

FRIDAY/SEPT. 16

Chimney Swifts. 7-8 p.m. at Walter Reed Community Center, 2909 S. 16th St. Each year Chimney Swifts (a breed of bird) put on a show; hundreds gather, swirl then disappear. Tickets are \$5. Call 703-228-4747 for more.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 17

Fall Migrants Walk. 8-9:30 a.m. at Long Branch Nature Center, 625 S. Carlin Springs Road. Adults are invited to search the woods around Long Branch Nature Center for warblers, thrushes and other fall migrants passing through on their way south. Tickets are \$5. Call 703-228-6535.

DogFest Walk 'n Roll. 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at Pentagon Row, 1101 S. Joyce St. Grab a leash and be part of Canine Companions DogFest Walk 'n Roll. A community dog walk that supports the mission of Canine Companions for Independence. Free. Visit www.cci.org/dogfestwashingtondc.

Fall Native Plant Sale. 1-4 p.m. at Long Branch Nature Center, 625 S. Carlin Springs Road. Find trees and

shrubs as well as perennials. Free. Call 703-228- 6535.

Clarendon Day. 11 a.m.-6 p.m. along Wilson Boulevard, Clarendon Boulevard, Highland Street, and Washington Boulevard. Find five stages of music and entertainment, an area for children, exhibitors and sponsors from across the region, local restaurants with a range of food and beverage items, craft beer and local wines, and more. Free. Visit www.clarendon.org for more.

Oktoberfest. 2-3 p.m. at Aurora Hills Library, 735 18th St. S. Celebrate Oktoberfest with the Mount Vernon German Band as they play traditional German music. Free. Visit arlingtonva.libcal.com/event/2649825 to register.

Insect Songs Campfire. 7-8 p.m. at Gulf Branch Nature Center, 3608 Military Road. (This program will be filled with activities that may include stories, special animal guests, games, songs, and s'mores. Tickets are \$5 per person; \$20 per family. Call 703-228-3403.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 18

Pups & Pilsners. 2-6 p.m. at 12th Street S. & Crystal Drive. This dog-friendly festival features a beer garden with craft brews and offerings from local breweries. Free to attend, but tasting tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. Visit www.crystalcity.org for more.

SEPT. 18-24

ReelAbilities Film Festival. Various times and places throughout Northern Virginia. The 5th Annual ReelAbilities Film Festival: Northern Virginia, powered by the Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia (JCCNV), is a lineup of award-winning feature and short films and a preview of guest speakers and special events. ReelAbilities is the largest film festival of its kind in the nation dedicated to showcasing films by and about people that experience a disability. Opening and Closing Nights: advance tickets are \$18 for adults, \$15 for JCCNV members, seniors (65+), and for groups of 10 or more, \$10 students with valid student ID. All tickets are \$20 the day of the opening and closing events. Other ticket prices vary. Visit www.northernva.reelabilities.org for more.

TUESDAY/SEPT. 20

Wine Helps. 6-8:30 p.m. at National Rural Electric Cooperative Association Building – Ballston Conference Center, 4301 Wilson Blvd. Proceeds will buy winter coats for children. Sample wine and cheese, listen to music and more. Tickets are \$75. Visit arcwinehelps.wordpress.com.

FRIDAY/SEPT. 23

Marvelous Millipedes Campfire. 7-8 p.m. at Gulf Branch Nature Center, 3608 Military Road. (This program will be filled with activities that may include stories, special animal guests, games, songs, and s'mores. Tickets are \$5 per person; \$20 per family. Call 703-228-3403.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 24

BBQ, Boots & Bingo. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at Columbus Club, 5115 Little Falls Road. A family picnic with moon bounces, a climbing wall, face painting, bingo, music and more, at the Columbus Club of Arlington. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$10 for children, \$50 per family. Visit www.arlingtonthrive.org.

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studies, there's a disconnect there between the content and the experiences of the students. I'm sad to see that."

Natrass said the next steps for SOL testing data will be working across departments within the schools to narrow areas of focus for instruction.

"What do we see across the

schools?" said Natrass. "What do we see across focus groups? What do we see across students? That's what we're going to be looking at over the next few months as we dig in with the team."

While full accreditation information hasn't been presented yet, Natrass said that the preliminary reports indicate that all schools in Arlington will be accredited.

Snyder Named Randolph Principal

The Arlington School Board appointed Dr. Donna Snyder as principal of Randolph Elementary School. Snyder is currently the director of Early Childhood and Elementary Education. Her interim appointment begins immediately.

Snyder's experience includes work in curriculum design, instructional leadership, supervision, professional development and training. She has worked in Arlington since 2010 as Title I supervisor, interim principal, and for the last four years director of Early Childhood and Elementary Education.

Prior to coming to APS, Snyder served as elementary education supervisor for the Hillsborough



County Schools in Tampa, Fla. From 1985 through 2000, Snyder worked for Montgomery County (Md.) Public Schools as an elementary principal for nine years and curriculum specialist or classroom teacher for six years.

Snyder earned a Bachelor of Science in elementary and early childhood education from Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, a Masters of Arts in school administration and curriculum development from Hood College, and a Doctorate of Education in curriculum and instruction from Virginia Tech. She is also certified as a National Principal Mentor by the National Association of Elementary Principals.

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The Arlington County Police Department's second annual Summer Block Party will take place on Saturday, Aug. 27, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Kenmore Middle School, 200 S. Carlin Springs Road.

The free event provides residents an opportunity to get to know their neighbors and police officers while enjoying interactive stations, safety demonstrations, entertainment, food and more.

Highlights of this year's event include:

- ❖ 15 Minutes Behind the Badge – 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Try on a badge and vest, attend a mini-academy and experience real-life scenarios officers handle on a daily basis.

- ❖ VIN Etching by Virginia State Police – 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Take a proactive step against auto theft by having your vehicle etched. First 100 vehicles receive a free carwash coupon from David's Brushless Carwash.

- ❖ Distracted Driving Course

Experience the dangers of distracted driving by navigating a golf cart through a cone course while wearing drunk goggles and attempting to text.

- ❖ ACPD Kid Zone

An area specifically designed for children. Take your fingerprints, color and make your own button badge, try on police gear, and drive like the police at their "Need for Speed" experience.

- ❖ K9 Demonstrations – 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Watch the K9 Teams demonstrate their skills and techniques.

- ❖ Motor Squad Rodeo – 12 p.m. and 2 p.m.

Watch Motor Officers put their skills to the test while performing

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- ❖ Vehicle Expo

Check out the police vehicle inventory and have a photo taken behind the wheel of a cruiser.

- ❖ Bicycle Registration

Protect your bicycle from theft by registering it with the Arlington County Police Department.

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"Flourishing After 55" from Arlington Office of Senior Adult Programs for Aug. 29 - Sept. 3.

Senior centers: Lee, 5722 Lee Hwy.; Langston-Brown Senior Center, 2121 N. Culpeper St.; Culpepper Garden, 4435 N. Pershing Dr.; Walter Reed, 2909 S. 16th St.; Arlington Mill, 909 S. Dinwiddie St.; Aurora Hills, 735 S. 18th St.

Senior trips: National Gallery of Art, D.C., Monday, Aug. 29, \$7; Maryland State Fair, Lutherville, Md., Tuesday, Aug. 30, \$17; Inner Harbor cruise, Baltimore, Md., Wednesday, Aug. 31, \$65; Toby's Dinner Theatre, Columbia, Md., "Hairspray," Thursday, Sept. 1, \$56; Heurich House Museum tour, D.C., Friday, Sept. 2, \$17. Call Arlington County 55+ Travel, 703-228-4748. Registration required.

NEW PROGRAMS for the week of Aug. 30- Sept. 3:

Benefits of music therapy, Wednesday, Aug. 30, 6:30 p.m., Walter

Reed. Free. Register, 703-228-0955

Introduction to decorative painting, Tuesday, Aug. 30, 11:30 a.m., Lee. Free. Register, 703-228-0555.

Family Bike Night, Wednesday, Aug. 31, 5 - 7 p.m., Arlington Mill. All ages; free. Register, 703-228-7369.

Hearing aids 101, Thursday, Sept. 1, 10 a.m., Walter Reed. Free. Register, 703-228-0955.

Spanish book club, Friday, Sept. 2, 10:30 a.m., Culpepper Garden. Free. Register, 703-228-4403.

Ballroom Dance, Friday, Sept. 2, 1 p.m.-3 p.m., Lee. Free. Register, 703-228-0555.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED PROGRAMS:

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

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

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and Sudoku, and needs volunteers (16 or older) to support the games. Volunteers register at rsvp@volunteerfairfax.org. All events are free and open to the public.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 10

Volunteers Needed. 1-7 p.m. at Gateway Park, 1300 Lee Highway. The Rosslyn Jazz Fest planning is already in full swing for this event that draws crowds from all over the region. The Rosslyn BID is looking for volunteers to help fill a variety of roles on the day of the event, including helping in the Kids' Zone and assisting in the beer and wine tent. Volunteer shifts are typically 1 1/2 to 2 hours. Volunteers receive complimentary food and soft drinks

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Campaign Kickoff. 4-5:30 p.m. at Bon Air Park 850 N Lexington St. Join U.S. Rep. Don Beyer for his 2016 campaign kickoff. RSVP here at bit.ly/2afZ6Jb.

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Feed the World. 1-5 p.m. at 384 N. Washington St., Falls Church. Honor those affected by the events of 9/11 through service at Christ Crossman's Falls Church Feeds the World. Volunteers package 30,000 meals with Stop Hunger Now. The event also includes a children's festival of activities that teach children about food insecurity in the community. Free. Contact Kate Hoing at info@christcrossman.org or 703-532-4026. Visit www.fallschurchfeedstheworld.org for more.

The Weak That Just Was

By KENNETH B. LOURIE



One of my cancer-patient survivorship goals has been to, whenever possible, not look the part, act the part or live the part. This past week, the eating challenges I endured and the emotional and psychological havoc it wrecked upon me stopped me from "not" doing any of the three: I looked, acted and lived the part. And aside from the unpleasantness (some of which was detailed in last week's column), looking, feeling and being the way I was, were such negative reinforcers that it has further prevented me from regaining my equilibrium, both emotionally and physically.

Not that I'm ever unaware of my circumstances or not mindful of my mortality/abbreviated life expectancy, but the less obvious it is, and the less impact the treatment has on me, the more I am able to live like I'm not dying. However, when symptoms manifest themselves and compromise some of my activities of daily living, the more difficult it is for me to delude myself into thinking that my stage IV, non-small cell lung cancer is chronic/treatable rather than "incurable/treatable," as my oncologist quite clearly characterized it seven and a half years ago.

Believe me, the last thing I need are reminders. The first thing I need are pretenders (which is really just another word for hope). And though I have absolutely nothing to complain about 90 months into a "13-month to two-year prognosis," my reality is, every day is precious and days lost to side effects are days I can't afford to lose. Moreover, when you consider the lack of control I experienced over this last week and the associated feelings of helplessness—along with the fear that this not eating was morphing from temporary to permanent, you have a recipe for emotional disaster. And "emotional disaster" does not help yours truly or any other cancer/seriously ill patient fend off the demons and level the playing field. In fact, it tips it in the complete wrong direction. And tipping it in the wrong direction is all it's cracked up to be.

So much of what I am going through is psychological. I am constantly telling myself (not aloud but in print, I would admit) to persevere, not overreact, balance the bad with the good, forget your prognosis, forget your "terminal" diagnosis, forget the extremely discouraging mortality statistics, believe all the non-Western stuff I'm doing is helping, don't slack, don't abuse the privilege of life I've been given and finally, be grateful for every day.

Still, five days of not eating seemed to compromise my emotional wherewithal. It's as if I didn't have the mental capacity necessary to talk myself out of the dark hole I had fallen into. It was a struggle to be sure and one I've experienced many times before, but for some reason, and this is the scary part, this post-chemo week was the worst. Now moving forward, my next chemotherapy infusion is not for four weeks as we've extended the interval to five weeks (from four), alternating my future intervals to four weeks, five weeks, four weeks, etc., through my next quarterly scan in mid October. If the results of that next scan continue to be encouraging, I'll be an extremely happy man. But as I am well aware, there are no guarantees in cancer and success is measured scan to scan. In the interim though, I have to coexist with my reality. It's not ideal, but "ideal" left the building in February, 2009.

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

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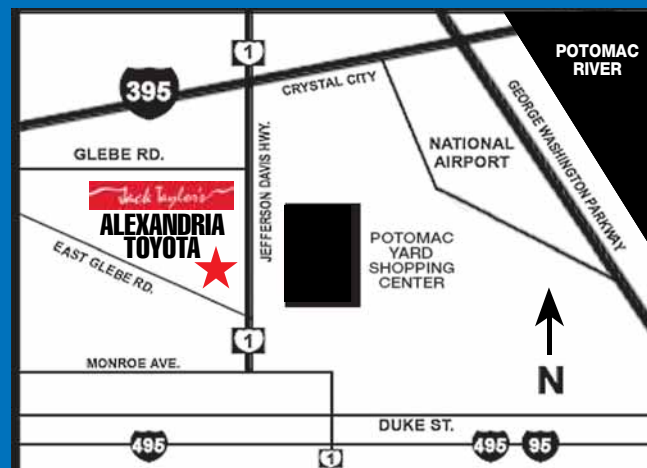
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As your local, weekly newspaper, the Connection's mission is to deliver the local news you need, to try to make sense of what is happening in your community, to gather information about the best things in and around your community, to advocate for community good, to provide a forum for dialogue on local concerns, and to celebrate and

record achievements, milestones and events in the community and people's lives.

Here in our Newcomers and Community Guide, we've included an updated version of our award-winning Insider's Guide to the Parks, plus details of how to vote in the upcoming elections, information on local government, nonprofits and business organizations, plus tips and tidbits from the

community.

We invite newcomers and long-time residents alike to let us know how we're doing and let us know what is going on in your part of the community. If you have questions or ideas, send us an email or call us, contact us on Facebook or send us a tweet. We invite you to send letters to the editor or to send an email with feedback about our coverage.

We want to know if someone in your family or your community published a book, started a business, became an Eagle Scout, raised money for a good cause, accomplished some feat like running a marathon, supporting a cause or having art included in an art show. We publish photos and notes about personal milestones and community events, including births, engagements, weddings,

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An Arlington Abecedary ... for Newcomers

Arlington residents name favorites in the county.

BY EDEN BROWN
THE CONNECTION

“A” is for Ayres Hardware Store in Westover Village. Arlington resident Mary Lanaras said, “You can find anything there. Like hair nets. It is like a trip back in time to the old family hardware and variety store. There aren’t many left like it.” Ayers is at 5853 N Washington Blvd, Arlington.

A is also for Arlington Cemetery, said Mary Lanaras. “It’s one of the most beautiful places in the area.

“A is for Atmosphere,” said Jerod Hudley. “There is a really good atmosphere in Arlington.”

A is for the Arlington Mill Community Center 909 South Dinwiddie Street, because, said Dawit Mulugeta, “There is always something to do there, for any age group.”

“B” is for the Birchmere concert venue, “Even though it’s not in Arlington, it’s right across the county line and it’s wonderful and where Arlingtonians go to have a good time,” said Lanaras. It’s at 3701 Mt Vernon Ave., Alexandria.

B is for Bluemont Park at 5910 Wilson Blvd. — the park, the tennis courts, and the bike path — one of Arlington resident Jean Turner’s favorites.



PHOTOS BY SHIRLEY RUHE/THE CONNECTION

A is for Ayres Hardware

Step back in time at Ayres Variety and Hardware on Washington Boulevard in Westover where you can find that special “hard to locate” gift that matches the personality of your hostess. Ceramic turtles, dogs, owls and dogs crowd the shelves along side decorative-themed glasses and “crazy high heel salt and pepper shakers.” A clerk points out that it is wise to know your host or hostess in order to buy one of these specialty hostess gifts. “They are fun but not extravagant.”

“C” is for Cinema: the Arlington Cinema and Drafthouse at 2903 Columbia Pike, Arlington. “We don’t go there enough,” said

both Lanaras and Turner.

C is for Celtic House, at 2500 Columbia Pike, Arlington, an Irish bar in South Arlington that Anne Stewart, a teacher at Yorktown High School likes. It was also named one of the best Irish pubs in the U.S. by Business Insider.

C is for Central Library, said Dawit Mulugeta, a student at NOVA. “I study there because it’s quiet and great place to study and they also have a conference room too.”

Mulugeta also likes “Catholic Charities” at 80 N. Glebe Road “because they help you with hiring people who arrive here as immigrants, and giving support to political asylees.”

“D” is for Dogs - the Lost Dog Cafe in North Arlington and the Lost Dog Cafe in South Arlington. “What I like about Lost Dog in S. Arlington,” said Turner, “is the pizza, of course, but also the parking. It’s so easy.”

D is for Dama Pastry and Restaurant at 1505 Columbia Pike in South Arlington, a favorite of the Ethiopian diaspora “because they have delicious fasting food made from Tofu when we aren’t allowed to eat any meat,” said Mulugeta.

“E” is for Edith: Bob and Edith’s Diner in South Arlington is one of my favorites,” said Josh Dobson. It’s at 2310 Columbia Pike, Arlington. “Bob and Edith’s?” said Lanaras: “Oh gosh, I haven’t been there in ages but yes, it’s a tradition, very much the old style diner.”

And E is also for El Paso Cafe, another Dobson recommendation, at 4235 N Pershing Dr.

E is for “Enjera” at 549 23rd Street, S. Arlington. “They have good cuisine especially their Shekla Tebes (Cooked Beef),” said Mulugeta.

And lastly, E is for Encore Learning, said Lanaras. Encore learning is the adult learning network residents can teach at or learn at — everything from Copperplate italic writing to cooking Indian food. See www.encorelearning.net.

“F” is for Food: that’s what I really like about Arlington, said Dobson. “Any kind of food you want. You can find it in Arlington. And I eat out a lot.” Dobson waxed fondly about Arlington, where he has lived a long time: “But I’ve lived all over the country,” he adds. “And Arlington is the only place that is a big city but feels like a small city.”

F is for all the “Fort” parks in Arlington — old Civil War forts that are now parks, like the Fort C.F. Smith, Fort Reynolds, Fort Barnard parks.

“G” is for Gulf Branch Nature Center at 3608 N. Military Road. “Their nature center is full of creatures found on local hiking trails, and people can go there to identify what snake they saw or what spider,” said Youssef Thomas.

“H” is for Hayes Park, one of Turner’s favorites. It’s at 1516 N. Lincoln St.,



D is for Dama Bakery

Enter Dama Pastry and Cafe, an Ethiopian Bakery tucked away in a small row of stores on Columbia Pike. The large green board behind the counter lists the pound cakes, tortes, baklava and other specialties offered. Almaz Dama said they make 15 kinds of cakes with a lot of vegan specialties, and this year’s cakes will have holiday frostings. When shopping for holiday cakes, try a bombolino (large dense donut), a fried pastry laced with cumin or a whole wheat bread wrapped in banana leaf for breakfast.

Arlington, and is one of the four spray parks in the area.

“I” is for Interior Journey: A Spirituality for the 21st Century: just one of the many courses offered at Encore Learning at the Syphax Center. Participants are invited to explore their inner terrain. I is for “I should be hired by Arlington County, said Lanaras. All you have to do is ask me what I like about Arlington and I can talk all day about how wonderful this county is.”

“J” is for the Arlington Jazz Festival, cited by Kenny Robinson, a fitness coach at the YMCA. It’s in Rosslyn around the end of the summer. It’s on Saturday, Sept. 10, 1-7 p.m., at Gateway Park at 1300 Lee Hwy. and it’s official name is the Rosslyn Jazz Fest. For the past 26 years, the Rosslyn Jazz Fest has taken over all of the three-acre, urban Gateway Park. This much-anticipated annual event draws thousands of music fans to Gateway Park for a day of performances in Arlington’s largest urban park.

“K” is for Robinson’s class at the Arlington YMCA, located at 3422 13th St. North. He and Jerod Hudley have a following for their “Yoga /Stretch fitness” classes, as do most of the teachers there. There is something for everyone at the Y.

“L” is for Lubber Run Park’s Ampitheatre at 200 N Columbus St

Arlington. “Not too many people even know about Lubber Run,” said Charles Lanaras. “I’m not sure you should mention it. It will get crowded.” His wife adds that sometimes really well-known singers and musicians play there, and it’s free.”



C is for Clarendon Days

The street was lined with pizza stacked high, chili tasting booths for the International Chili Cookoff Tournament, one-hour free yoga giveaways, craft beer and a sangria booth, five bands playing all day, balloons and face painting for Clarendon Day.

NEWCOMERS & COMMUNITY GUIDE

A Tour of Arlington's Future Major projects and zoning changes ahead.

BY VERNON MILES
THE CONNECTION

Throughout the county, development is changing the streets and skylines of Arlington's neighborhoods. Both along and outside the Metro corridors, new projects are coming online within the next year, and the next few months will see even more changes coming before the Arlington County Board.

One of the most recognizable changes coming to Arlington will be the complete redevelopment and renovation of the Ballston Mall.

"This is one of the first projects that's really exciting for Arlington County in the plan," said Robert Duffy, Arlington County planning director. "The project involves the total reconstruction of the retail mall. It involves major new exterior improvements, new public spaces, streetscape and garage improvements. The redevelopment is one of the centerpiece projects of Ballston. It will include a new 22-story residential apart-



Aerial concept rendering of the Ballston Mall redevelopment

ment building with 405 units. The new development will turn the mall inside out and create a great street life. It's a major anchor redevelopment project."

Plans for the new Ballston Mall include an open-air design for the main shopping avenue.

Duffy said the development is also bringing in new projects to the area, like a 121,000-square-foot residential development at 750 North Glebe Road. A few blocks away, the Shooshan Company is

redeveloping 4040 Wilson Boulevard, formerly home to the Blue Goose, to allow Marymount University to expand.

"There's a great deal of redevelopment coming within the Ballston Area," said Duffy.

The mall redevelopment is expected to take place throughout 2017 to be opened in 2018.

FURTHER UP the Metro Corridor, the county is beginning to work on implementing the West-



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Building heights limited where necessary to preserve prime public views
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Concept rendering for Rosslyn Sector Plan skyline

ern Rosslyn Area Plan. The plan was the subject of controversy over the summer as the County Board approved the placement of a temporary fire station on the outdoor space of the new H-B Woodlawn school site. Duffy said in October, the County Board will begin to consider zoning changes to Western Rosslyn.

The more central parts of Rosslyn could also see major zoning changes in the fall as modifications come forward in the fall to implement the Rosslyn Sector Plan approved in 2015. On a street level, one of the most visible changes will be an extension of the 18th Street Corridor from N. Quinn Street. Duffy says the new 18th Street extension will create a new central pedestrian and bicycle spine that will become a defining element for Rosslyn. The Sector Plan calls for a new bicycle/pedestrian bridge to connect the waterfront near Roosevelt Island with downtown Rosslyn.

"We're really reinventing Rosslyn's street level with this plan," said Duffy. "The plan defines where and how we widen sidewalks and create bike amenities.

There are a number of recommendations intended to move Rosslyn beyond its 1970s and early '80s car-oriented environment to a more pedestrian environment that offers opportunities for more public space."

Above the street level, Duffy says shifts in building heights will continue to be a major discussion at the County Board.

"We're introducing new zoning standards that will address building heights," said Duffy, "ensuring that the great views that Rosslyn offers to our nation's capital are preserved."

In August 2015, discussion of the Rosslyn Sector Plan centered around a new "Peaks and Valleys" architectural approach that encouraged a varied skyline with new floor area ratio and height allowances. At that time, members of the Planning Commission and the North Rosslyn Civic Association expressed concerns that the new height allowances might block the views of existing residents. The Ballston and Rosslyn Business Improvement Districts, as well as the Chamber of Commerce,

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Exploring Local History

BY MARK BENBOW
ARLINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Do you like history? Do you like local history? The Arlington Historical Society (AHS) was founded in 1956 to preserve and promote the history of Arlington County. Since 1963 the AHS has operated the Arlington Historical Museum in the Hume School at 1805 South Arlington Ridge Road. The Hume School is itself a bit of a historic artifact. Built in 1891, it operated as a school until 1958. The museum is open from 1-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday and from 12:30-3:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

So, what would you see if you came to the AHS museum? We have lots of cool Arlington objects on display in our permanent exhibits. One of my favorites include the county's first television. Built by Dumont, its original owner in 1946 won it in a contest. In the evenings the family would move it outside so the neighbors could join in watching this new form of mass media entertainment.

If you came over the Key Bridge into Rosslyn in the 1940s and 1950s you'd find a number of pawnshops. The museum has the trefoil pawn sign (three large gold balls) that hung over the National Pawn Shop for decades. If you wanted to get something to drink after visiting the pawn shop you might want to have a Cherry Smash, made for years in the old Arlington Brewery by John Fowler. One of Mr. Fowler's grandsons gave the AHS some rare Cherry Smash items and his generous gift sparked one of our most colorful and popular displays. It includes a

painting of model of silent movie star Lillian Walker who posed for a company calendar in the early 1910s.


Many local residents still find Minié balls and other Civil War artifacts in their yards 150 years after the last Union fort protecting Washington was abandoned. The Arlington Historical Museum has a display of items dropped by soldiers and found by local residents illustrating life in the Union Army encampments in the county. Of course it includes things such as bullets and uniform buttons, but also everyday items like coins, pens, and parts of a harmonica. We even have a cannon ball a local resident found while planting a bush in her yard.

Of course this area was inhabited before the Europeans arrived. Numerous Native American villages sat along the Potomac and their inhabitants left behind their own artifacts. The museum displays some of the items found by archeologists in the county, including a stone ax head found on a local golf course.

Speaking of archeologists, did you know the AHS is sponsoring an archeology dig at its second property, the Ball-Sellers House? Built in the 1740s by John Ball and his family (he had a wife and five daughters) it's the oldest surviving building in the county. It's open from 1-4 p.m. on Saturday afternoons from April into October and we are currently hosting a dig led by trained archeologists to uncover an addition that was torn down a century ago. The dig is open to the public on Saturday and Sundays through September. Check the AHS website for more

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SATURDAY/AUG. 27

Central Arlington History Tour. 9 a.m. at Clarendon Metro Station. Walk 1-12 miles visiting parks and historic sites in Clarendon, Ballston, Glencarlyn and surrounding areas. Tour historic locations dating from colonial times to early 20th century. Tickets are free for Center Hiking Club Members, \$2 for non-members. Call 7030243-0179 for more.

Summer Block Party. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at Kenmore Middle School, 200 S. Carlin Springs Road. The Arlington County Police Department invites residents to get to know their neighbors and police officers while enjoying interactive stations, safety demonstrations, entertainment, food and more. Free. Visit arlingtonva.us for more.

Wags n' Whiskers. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. At the Village at Shirlington, 4000 Campbell Ave. Wags n' Whiskers is a community-oriented event for animal loving shoppers of all ages. The event features 65+ onsite exhibitors ranging from pet services and accessories to onsite adoptions. In addition to the onsite exhibitors, Wags n' Whiskers hosts pet photos (\$5), live music, and children's activities such as face painting, balloon art, strolling entertainment and more. Free. Visit www.villageatshirlington.com for more.

Bat Fest. 6:30-9 p.m. at Gulf Branch Nature Center, 3608 Military Road. Live bat shows are presented by the riveting Leslie Sturges, director of the Save Lucy Campaign established to protect and conserve bats in this region. Tickets are \$8. Call 703-228-3403.



Clarendon Day

Clarendon Day, scheduled for Sept. 17, is Arlington's biggest street festival. Find four music stages, craft beer and wine, the Clarendon Chili Cookoff, scores of local restaurants, a kids area, a VIP tent, arts and crafts vendors, plus local businesses and nonprofits. Admission to the festival is free. Visit www.clarendon.org for more.



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September 2016

THURSDAY/SEPT. 1

Roosevelt Run 5K. 7 p.m. at 1301 Lee Highway. ACE Physical Therapy & Sports Medicine Institute and Safety Health Foundation welcome runners

SATURDAY/SEPT. 10

Rosslyn Jazz Festival. 6-9 p.m. on Friday, 1-7 p.m. on Saturday, at Gateway Park, 1300 Lee Highway. The Jazz Festival kick-off event will feature Mexico's fusion band Troker and DJ G-Flux on the 33rd floor of the 1812 North Moore building. The Funk Ark, Sonny Knight & The

and walkers. Registration is \$32, \$40 the day of run. Visit www.ace-pt.org.

Lakers, Debo Band, and The Dirty Dozen Brass Band will headline the main event. Free admission—registration required for kickoff. See www.rosslynva.org/events.

Memorial 5K. 6 p.m. in Crystal City. This race was organized to honor the victims, firefighters, and public safety who responded on Sept. 11, 2001. Registration fees are \$35-40. Visit www.arlington911race.com.

SEPT. 10-21

34th Annual Senior Olympics. Various times at various locations. Participants over 50 years old will participate in track and field, swimming, diving, tennis, table tennis, golf, miniature golf, ten pin bowling, Wii bowling, scrabble, duplicate bridge, cribbage, Mexican train dominoes, pickleball, racquetball, handball, volleyball, badminton, bocce, eight ball pool, cycling, horseshoes, yo-yo tricks, American style Mah Jongg, 5K run and more. Admission varies based on event. Visit www.nvso.us.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 11

Beckett's Celtic Festival. 12-7 p.m. at Samuel Beckett's Irish Gastro Pub, 2800 S. Randolph St. Find live music, traditional food and entertainment. Free. Visit www.samuelbecketts.com for more.

FRIDAYS IN SEPTEMBER

Vintage Crystal: Sip and Salsa. 5-10 p.m. at 1900 Crystal Drive. Wine from Spain Portugal, and Argentina and food from local latin restaurants come together at this annual event. Also find live Latin music and salsa lessons. Tickets are \$25 at the door, \$20 in advance; designated drivers tickets are also available for \$10. Visit www.crystalcity.org.

TUESDAY/SEPT. 13

Scholar's Cup. 3:30-7 p.m. at Upton Hill Regional Park, 6060 Wilson Blvd.

Participate in the Chamber's Annual Scholarship Fund fundraising event. This family-friendly event includes a mini-golf tournament, dinner, and music. Registration is \$15-80. Visit www.arlingtonchamber.org for more.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 17

Clarendon Day. 11 a.m.-6 p.m. On Clarendon and Wilson boulevards between Washington and Highland. Find all the traditional trappings of a street fair plus an International Chili Cookoff, arts and crafts promenade and more. Free to attend. Visit www.clarendon.org/clarendon-day.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 18

Vintage Crystal: Pups and Pilsners. 2-6 p.m. at 12th and Crystal Drive. This dog-friendly festival will feature a beer garden with 10 stations—each featuring a different brew. Visit www.crystalcity.org for more.

SEPT. 18-24

ReelAbilities Film Festival. Various times and places throughout Northern Virginia. The 5th Annual ReelAbilities Film Festival: Northern Virginia, powered by the Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia (JCCNV), is a lineup of award-winning feature and short films and a preview of guest speakers and special events. ReelAbilities is the largest film festival of its kind in the nation dedicated to showcasing films by and about people that experience a disability. Opening and Closing Nights: advance tickets are \$18 for adults, \$15 for JCCNV members, seniors (65+), and for groups of 10 or more, \$10 students with valid student ID. All tickets are \$20 the day of opening and closing. Visit www.northernva.reelabilities.org.

TUESDAY/SEPT. 20

Wine Helps. 6-8:30 p.m. at National

Rural Electric Cooperative Association Building – Ballston Conference Center, 4301 Wilson Blvd. Proceeds will buy winter coats for children. Sample wine and cheese, listen to music and more. Tickets are \$75. Visit arcwinehelps.wordpress.com.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 24

BBQ, Boots & Bingo. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at Columbus Club, 5115 Little Falls Road. A family picnic with moon bounces, a climbing wall, face painting, bingo, music and more, at the Columbus Club of Arlington. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$10 for children, \$50 per family. Visit www.arlingtonthrive.org.

SUNDAY/SEPT. 27

Latinoamerican Festival. 1-5 p.m. at Kenmore Middle School, 200 S. Carlin Springs Road. Celebrate Hispanic Heritage month by learning more about the folk traditions, music, food and dance of several Latin-American countries. Free. Visit www.parks.arlingtonva.us/events/latinoamerican-festival.

SUNDAY-FRIDAY/ SEPT. 25-30

Fall for the Book Festival at GMU. Times vary. Select locations throughout Northern Virginia, D.C., and Maryland. This week long regional celebration of literature and the arts, connects readers and authors at all levels. Offering bookworms the chance to meet their favorite writers. Free and open to the public. Visit www.fallforthebook.org.

THURSDAY/SEPT. 29

Bowen McCauley's 21st Birthday Bash. 6-8 p.m. at Holiday Inn, 4610 N. Fairfax Drive. Find an open bar, a buffet, and dancing. Tickets are \$50 in advance, \$55 at the door. Visit www.bmdc.org for more.

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Bowen McCauley Dance celebrate 21 years on Thursday, Sept. 29 at Holiday Inn, 4610 N. Fairfax Drive. Find an open bar, a buffet, and dancing. Tickets are \$50 in advance, \$55 at the door. Visit www.bmdc.org for more.

NEWCOMERS & COMMUNITY GUIDE

Herb Levitan trains for the Northern Virginia Senior Olympics at Ocean Dunes Waterpark on Wilson Boulevard, Arlington. He is entered in seven swimming events as well as a number of other events including pickleball, rowing and some track events.

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Never Too Old To Compete

800 expected to compete in Northern Virginia Senior Olympics.

BY SHIRLEY RUHE
THE CONNECTION

Herb Levitan adjusts his goggles, pulls on his swimming cap and lowers himself into the pool. Levitan had been up at 7 a.m. to run three miles and had biked from home to the Ocean Dunes Water Park as he trains for the Northern Virginia Senior Olympics.

Levitan has participated in the Olympics for the last 9-10 years and is entered in about 30 events this year. He says swimming is his favorite: "I train all year long with swimming a couple of times a week, weights, running the track at Thomas Jefferson, and I ride my bike everywhere. I think cross training is important and I avoid injury by not just concentrating on one sport."

While preparing for the Senior Olympics, Levitan is also training for a triathlon in September. "It's a mile swim, 25-mile cycle and 6-mile run. The first time was pretty tough." Levitan says he had never competed in sports before but the people who organize and participate in the Senior Olympics are nice, and there is camaraderie among the competitors. Over the years Levitan has won so many medals that he doesn't even collect them anymore.

The Northern Virginia Senior Olympics is scheduled to be held Sept. 10-21. These local Olympics for adults age 50 and over began in 1982, and nearly 800 seniors participated last year. According to the chair of this year's event, Jim Mackenzie, they hope to exceed that number this year. Mackenzie said he competed for a number of years and then volunteered last year for

the swimming events. "This year I found myself chairman," he said.

Opening events begin Saturday, Sept. 10 at 8 a.m. with track followed by rowing and diving and they conclude on Sept. 21 with pickleball singles and a spelling bee. More than 50 events will take place at 25 different venues including senior and recreation centers, parks, pools and golf courses around the area. Registration is \$12 for as many non-conflicting events as a participant is willing or able to schedule with extra fees for golf, bowling and orienteering.

Participants must live in one of the sponsoring jurisdictions including the cities of Alexandria, Fairfax and Falls Church and the counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, Fauquier, and Prince William. Register online at www.nvso.us or postmark by mail by Aug. 27.

"Things are getting a little hectic," according to Mackenzie. "We like to encourage people to sign up online, but seniors sometimes find it difficult and we have to walk them through it."

New events this year include 100-yard Breast Stroke, Orienteering, Spelling Bee, RummiKub and Sudoku. Events are broken down in 5 year, 10 year, 20 year or no year age groups. Events include swimming, golf, miniature golf, table tennis, badminton, ten pin bowling, bridge, cycling, pickleball, bocce and cornhole and others.

Last year they had 37 people competing in the 90-99 year-old range. "We had a 100-year-old chosen to carry the torch this year but unfortunately he passed before the games," he said.

Mackenzie said a lot of people take the games seriously and some practice year round. For instance, last year 85-year-old Helen Moot not only won the 80-89 year old Wii bowling competition but the next closest person was 150 points behind, "and she beat all of the men."

Mackenzie said, "Senior or not, they want to win." He adds there is a podium for presentation of the medals for the track and swimming events, and the medal winners are all beaming with their families taking pictures.



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A SAMPLING OF ARLINGTON PARKS

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1 Alcova Heights Park
901 S. George Mason Drive; 13 acres. Features: picnic shelter and tables, public restrooms, playground, baseball field, basketball court, volleyball court and grill.

2 Allie S. Freed Park
2465 Culpeper St.; 5 acres. Features: running trail, bridge, stream, open space.

3 Andrew Ellicott Park at the West Cornerstone
2824 N. Arizona St.; 0.25 acres. Features: the boundary markers of the original District of Columbia, picnic tables and benches.

4 Arlington Hall West Park
290 S. Taylor St.; 7 acres. Features: playground, multi-use rectangular field, picnic area and grill.

5 Bailey's Branch Park
990 S. Columbus St.; 2 acres. Features: playground, benches and open green space.

6 Ballston Pond Park
4747 N. Fairfax Drive; 4 acres. Features: a great spot to observe wildlife.

7 Barcroft Park
4200 S. Four Mile Run Drive; 65 acres. Features: lighted handball, basketball and tennis courts, lighted baseball and softball fields, batting cages, volleyball courts, a drop-in rectangular field, horseshoe pit, fishing at the stream, scenic running/walking/biking trail, sheltered picnic areas, charcoal grills and playgrounds.



8 Barton Park
2401 10th St. N.; 3 acres. Features: healing garden, labyrinth and seating.

9 Benjamin Banneker Park
6620 N. 18th St.; 11 acres. Features: trail access, picnic tables, charcoal grills, playground, multi-use field and dog park.

11 Bluemont Junction Park
744 N. Emerson St.; 15 acres. Features: paved walking trail, Bermuda grass rectangular field and the retired Bluemont Junction Caboose.



12 Bluemont Park
601 N. Manchester St.; 70 acres. Features: biking/running/hiking trails, basketball, tennis and volleyball courts, baseball, softball, soccer, lacrosse and football fields, a playground, picnic areas and nature areas with streams for fishing.

13 Bon Air Park
850 N. Lexington St.; 24 acres. Features: memorial rose garden, azalea and ornamental tree gardens, playgrounds, volleyball and basketball courts, picnic areas and charcoal grills.

14 Charles A. Stewart Park
2400 N. Underwood St.; 4 acres. Features: woods, fields, gazebo, playground and basketball half court.

15 Cherrydale Park
2176 N. Pollard St.; 0.8 acres. Features: open green space, benches, playground and path.

16 Clarendon Central Park
3140 Wilson Blvd.; 1 acre. Features: War memorial dedicated to Arlington citizens, hosts seasonal farmers market and occasional concerts.

17 Dark Star Park
1655 Fort Myer Drive; 0.4 acres. Features: sculptures by artist Nancy Holt and a fountain.

18 Doctor's Run Park
1301 S. George Mason Drive; 6 acres. Features: picnic tables, charcoal grills, playground, volleyball court and path.

19 Donaldson Run Park
4020 30th St. N.; 8 acres. Features: forested area, trail and stream.

20 Douglas Park
1718 S. Quincy St.; 5 acres. Features: playground, nature trails, stream, picnic shelter, volleyball court and stone fireplace.

21 Drew Park
3500 23rd S. Features: basketball court, baseball field, playground and "sprayground."

22 Eads Park
2730 S. Eads St.; 4 acres. Features: gazebo, charcoal grills, playground and multi-use field.

23 Fields Park
825 N. George Mason Drive; 4 acres. Features: multi-use field with bleachers, path and ornamental garden.

24 Fillmore Park
33 N. Fillmore St.; 1 acre. Features: playground, picnic area and baseball and softball fields.

25 Fort Barnard Park
2101 S. Pollard St.; 5 acres. Features: dog exercise area, playground, diamond field with backstop and bleachers, basketball court and a path.

26 Fort C.F. Smith Park
2411 24th St. N.; 19 acres. Features: tree canopy, open meadow, the Hendry House, preserved earthworks of a Civil War Fort and more.

27 Fort Ethan Allen Park
3829 N. Stafford St.; 15 acres. Features: gazebo, playground, basketball court, multi-use field and a dog park.

28 Fort Scott Park
2800 S. Fort Scott Drive; 12 acres. Features: picnic area, playground, baseball and softball fields, tennis court wall and a basketball court.

29 Fraser Park
1800 28th St. S.; 2 acres. Features: grills, picnic tables and open green space.

30 Gateway Park
1300 Lee Highway; 3 acres. Features: ornamental garden, fountain and amphitheater.

31 Glebe and Randolph Park
N. Glebe Road and N. Randolph Street. Features: bocce ball courts, benches and green space.

32 Glebe Road Park
4211 N. Old Glebe Road; 4 acres. Features: playground, tennis courts, basketball court, nature trails, drinking fountains and picnic tables.

33 Glencarlyn Park
301 S. Harrison St.; 95.5 acres. Features: picnic shelters, fishing, nature trails, playground, amphitheater and dog park.

34 Greenbrier Park
2700 N. Greenbrier St.; 18 acres. Features: basketball and tennis courts, diamond fields, multi-use synthetic turf field and a track with high jump and shot put discus area.

35 Gulf Branch Nature Center and Park
3608 Military Road. Features: exhibits, classroom, discovery room, pollinator garden, restored log cabin and observation bee hive.

36 Gunston Park
2700 Lang St. S.; 10 acres. Features: picnic shelter, playground, tennis courts, multi-use rectangular field, baseball/softball field and basketball court.

37 Hayes Park
1516 N. Lincoln St.; 3 acres. Features: tennis courts, basketball court, picnic shelter, playground and "sprayground."

38 Henry Clay Park
3011 7th St. N.; 1 acre. Features: gazebo, playground and basketball court.

39 Henry Wright Park
4350 4th St. N.; 0.7 acres. Features: gazebo, playground and picnic tables.

40 High View Park
1945 N. Dinwiddie St.; 3 acres. Features: picnic area, charcoal grills, playground, baseball/softball field, lighted basketball courts and an amphitheater.

41 James Hunter Park
1299 N. Herndon St. Features: plaza terrace, open lawn, gardens, water feature and community canine area.

42 James W. Haley Park
2400 S. Meade St.; 5 acres. Features: charcoal grills, gazebo and nature trail.

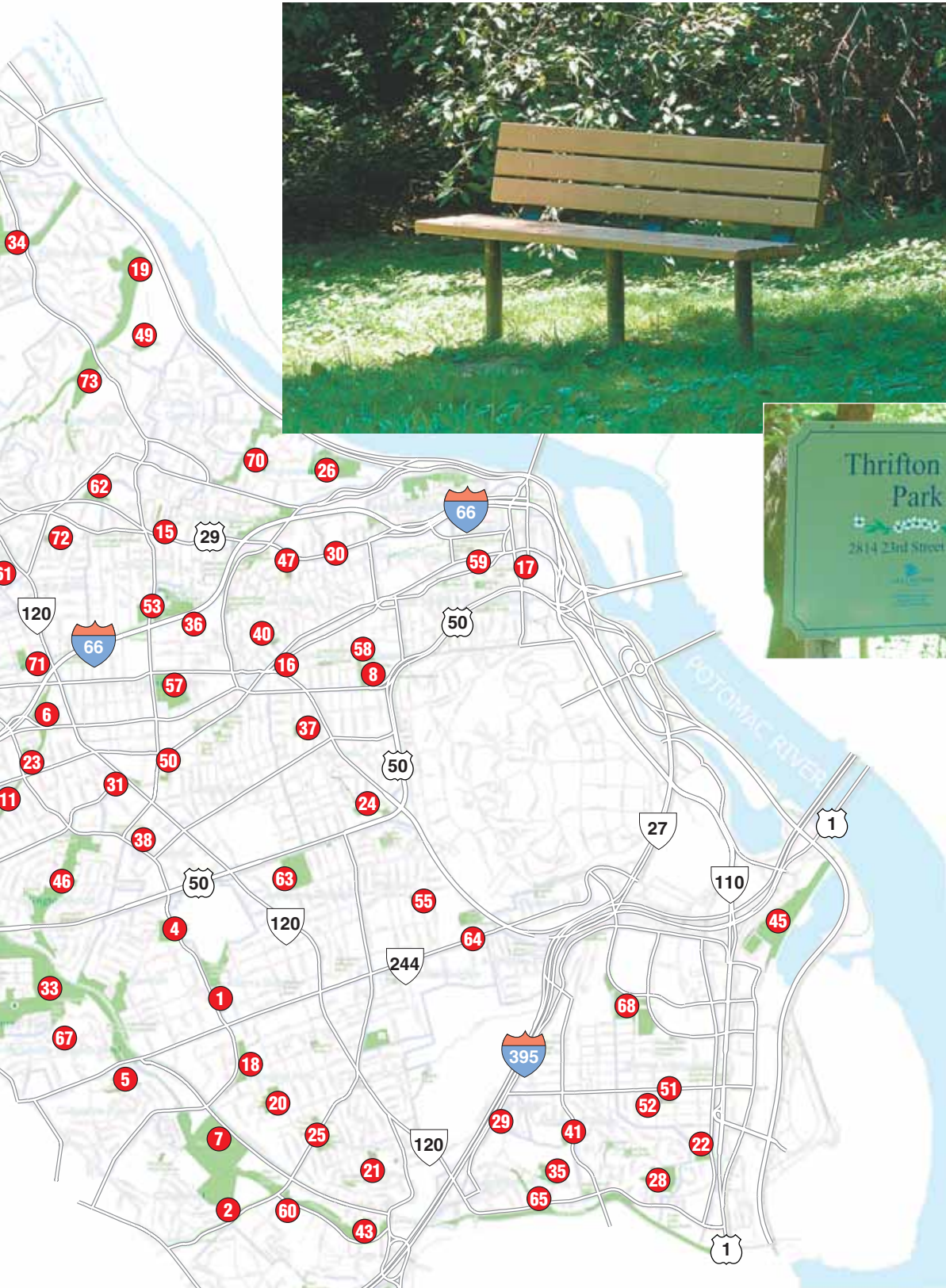
43 Jamestown Park
3618 N. Dickerson St.; 6 acres. Features: diamond field, rectangular grass field, tennis courts and a basketball court. Great for sledding in the winter.

44 Jennie Dean Park
3630 27th St. S.; 22 acres. Features: picnic shelter, playground, baseball/softball fields, tennis courts, basketball court and open field.

45 Lacey Woods Park
1200 N. George Mason Drive; 14 acres. Features: picnic shelter, lighted basketball court, charcoal grills, playground, multi-use field, nature trails, ornamental garden, wooded areas, open green space and a fire ring.

46 Long Bridge Park
475 Long Bridge Drive. Features: three rectangular synthetic turf fields, walkways, art features and picnic areas.

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47 Lubber Run Park
200 N. Columbus St. Features: basketball and volleyball courts, picnic shelter, charcoal grills, gazebo, amphitheater, nature paths, playground and grassy multi-use fields.

48 Lyon Village Park
1800 N. Highland St.; 2 acres. Features: picnic area, tennis courts, basketball court and "sprayground."

49 Madison Manor Park
6225 12th Road N. Features: restrooms, drinking fountain, picnic shelter and tables, charcoal grills, stream, playground, baseball/softball field, tennis courts and a lighted basketball court.

50 Marcey Road Park
2722 N. Marcey Road; 3 acres. Features: tennis and basketball courts and access to Potomac Overlook Regional Park.



51 Mosaic Park
544 N. Pollard St. Features: playground, small climbing wall and bocce ball courts.

52 Nelly Custis Park
701 24th St. S.; 0.8 acres. Features: playground, landscaped open green space and benches.

53 Nina Park
800 S. 24th St. Features: sand pit, picnic area and wave wall.

54 Oakgrove Park
1606 N. Quincy St. Features: picnic tables, gazebo, playground, rectangular fields and paved walking trail.

55 Parkhurst Park
5820 20th Road N. Features: play area for toddlers, sand area, playground and gazebo.

56 Penrose Park
2200 6th St. S.; 2 acres. Features: picnic tables, charcoal grills, playground and basketball court.

57 Powhatan Springs Park
6020 Wilson Blvd. Features: skatepark, drinking fountains, concessions, stream, rectangular grass field, ornamental rain garden and fountain.

58 Quincy Park
1021 N. Quincy St.; 4 acres. Features: tennis, basketball and volleyball courts; baseball and softball fields; picnic area and playground.

59 Rocky Run Park
1109 N. Barton St.; 2 acres. Features: picnic shelter, playgrounds and a lighted oval field.

60 Rosslyn Highlands Park
1529 Wilson Blvd.; 2 acres. Features: basketball court and playground.

61 Shirlington Park
2601 S. Arlington Mill Drive; 29 acres. Features: drinking fountain, stream, walking path, benches and dog park.

62 Slater Park
1837 N. Culpeper St.; 3 acres. Features: playground, picnic tables, charcoal grills and a path.

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63 Stratford Park
4321 Old Dominion Drive; 5 acres. Features: baseball/softball field, picnic tables, lighted tennis courts, rectangular multi-use field and a lighted basketball court.

64 Thomas Jefferson Park
3501 S. 2nd St. Features: lighted basketball and tennis courts, diamond field, lighted multi-use rectangular field and fitness trail.

65 Towers Park
801 S. Scott St.; 4 acres. Features: playground, lighted tennis and basketball courts, sand volleyball court, community garden, lighted dog park, picnic tables, charcoal grills and gazebo.

66 Troy Park
2629 S. Troy St.; 2 acres. Features: picnic tables, horseshoe pit, stream, playground and basketball courts.

67 Tuckahoe Park
2400 N. Sycamore St.; 12 acres. Features: playground, baseball/softball fields, lighted tennis courts, rectangular grass field, nature trails, ornamental garden, amphitheater and picnic tables.

68 Tyrol Hill Park
5101 7th Road S.; 2 acres. Features: playground, picnic shelter and tables, charcoal grills, basketball and volleyball court, open drop-in field and nature trails.

69 Utah Park
3191 S. Utah St.; 4 acres. Features: baseball/softball field, volleyball court, dog park with water hook-up and picnic tables.

70 Virginia Highlands Park
1600 S. Hayes St.; 18 acres. Features: lighted baseball/softball fields, lighted tennis and basketball courts, volleyball court, "sprayground," rectangular drop-in fields and petanque courts.

71 Westover Park
1001 N. Kennebec St.; 4 acres. Features: picnic shelter and tables, playground, baseball/softball fields, lighted basketball courts, volleyball courts, rectangular grass field, path and ornamental garden.

72 Windy Run Park
2420 N. Kenmore St.; 14 acres. Features: stream, nature paths and wooded areas.

73 Woodlawn Park
1325N. Buchanan St.; 1 acre. Features: stream, playground, half basketball court, open green space and picnic tables.

74 Woodstock Park
2049 N. Woodstock St.; 1 acre. Features: water fountains, picnic tables, gazebo, playground and basketball court.

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ENTERTAINMENT

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October 2016

SATURDAY/OCT. 1

Arlington Fun Ride. 8 a.m.-12 p.m. at various locations in Arlington. Now in its 5th year, This scenic, family-friendly bike ride will give the anticipated 250+ participants a chance to experience the paved, multi-use trails that make up the “Arlington Loop” while enjoying support from rest stops in Crystal City, Columbia Pike, Ballston and Rosslyn. Registration is \$15, \$40 for a family of up to 4 people. Visit www.arlingtonfunride.org for more.

16th Annual Mid-Atlantic

Oktoberfest. 12-7 p.m. at Capitol City Brewing Company, 4001 Campbell Ave. Breweries bring 4 oz. samples to accompany a day of authentic German food, music, and more. Tickets are \$30. Visit www.facebook.com/CapCityOktoberfest.

SATURDAY/OCT. 8

Fall Wine & Craft Beer Festival. 3-8 p.m. at Adams Street and Columbia Pike. Taste food paired with wine and craft beer. Ticket prices not yet announced. Visit www.columbiapike.org for more.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/OCT. 14-16

US FreedomWalk Festival. 3-6 p.m. on Friday, 7 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday, 7 a.m.-4 p.m. at 1900 N. Fort Myer Drive. The FreedomWalk Festival is a three-day long social walking challenge meant to bring together people of different backgrounds. Different trails are offered each day at a variety of distances from 3-27 miles starting at the Holiday Inn. Costs vary. Visit www.usfreedomwalk.org for more.

SATURDAY/OCT. 15

Fall Heritage Festival. 1-5 p.m. at Gulf Branch Nature Center, 3608 N. Military Road. Step back into history and try your hand at some old-time games and crafts, make a corn husk doll, try on a coon-skin cap, or work the cider press. Write with a quill pen or churn butter and enjoy old-time music. Tickets are \$5. Visit parks.arlingtonva.us for more.

SATURDAY/ OCT. 22

VolunteerFest. A region-wide day of community service helps nonprofits accomplish tasks they would not have time or resources to do on their own. Visit www.volunteerfairfax.org/individuals/volunteerfest.php for more.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/OCT. 23-25

Marine Corps Marathon Weekend. Events like the Health & Fitness Expo, First Timers Pep Rally, Runners bRUNch, and more, lead up to the main event—The 40th Annual Marine Corps Marathon—on Sunday at 7:55 a.m. and the MCM Finish Festival. Visit www.marinemarathon.com for more.

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SATURDAY/OCT. 23

Pumpkin Carving Party. 1-3 p.m. at



Rosslyn Jazz Fest Lineup Announced

For the 26th year, Rosslyn Jazz Festival returns to Gateway Park (1300 Lee Highway) with food, drinks, and music. This year's lineup includes Akua Allrich, Vieux Farka Touré, Glen David Andrews Band, and Grupo Fantasma. Admission to the festival is free. Visit www.rosslynva.org for more.



Left: Grupo Fantasma, below: Glen David Andrews performs last year.

Potomac Overlook Regional Park, 2845 Marcey Road. Tickets are \$10. Visit www.novaparks.com for more.

SATURDAY/OCT. 29

Dia de Muertos / Day of the Dead. 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Long Branch Nature Center at Glencarlyn Park, 625 S. Carlin Springs Road. Make Calaveras, the decorative sugar skull masks, enjoy holiday snacks, and see some night animals up close. Then, go on a night hike through the candlelit forest. Tickets are \$5. Visit parks.arlingtonva.us for more.

Annual Halloween Party. 5:30-8:30 p.m. at Potomac Overlook Regional Park, 2845 Marcey Road. Snacks, games, arts and crafts, storytelling, guided hikes through the woods, and the Haunted Nature Center makes up the yearly party. Cost is \$15 per participant for the party, \$20 per participant includes the Haunted Nature Center experience. Children 3 and under are free. Visit www.novaparks.com for more.

MONDAY/OCT. 31

Halloween Trick-Or-Treating. 5-7 p.m. at Carlyle House Historic Park, 121 N. Fairfax St. Free. Visit www.novaparks.com to register.

November 2016

NOV. 4-DEC. 18

Exhibit: “Dia de los Muertos.” Gallery hours at Arlington Arts Center, 3550 Wilson Blvd. Artists living in the Mid-Atlantic states submit work that responds to the concepts, themes, and imagery of this beloved holiday. Free. Visit www.arlingtonartscenter.org for more.

FRIDAY/NOV. 11

Arlington National Cemetery Veterans Day Ceremony. Arlington National Cemetery. Thousands of visitors gather to honor fallen and living veterans. Visit www.arlingtoncemetery.mil.

SATURDAY/NOV. 12

Toast to Hope. 6:30-9:30 p.m. at UUCA Gallery, 4444 Arlington Blvd. Toast to Hope is SCAN's signature fall giving event and offers wine and beer tastings, food samplings, plus a Silent/Live Auction. Tickets prices yet to be announced. Visit www.scanva.org for more.

SATURDAY/NOV. 19

Virginia Cider Week Tasting Event. 7-9:30 p.m. at The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. In partnership with the Alexandria-Caen Sister Cities Committee, the Lyceum offers a cider tasting as part of Virginia Cider Week. Tickets are \$50-75. Visit www.show.alexandriava.gov/events.

FRIDAY/ NOV. 25

Tree Lighting Ceremony. 6-8 p.m. at Market Square, 301 King St. Attend the ceremony in which the City Tree is lit and visited by Santa, the Town Crier, and other city officials. Free. Visit www.alexandriava.gov.

FRIDAY/NOV 25-SATURDAY/JAN. 6

Christmas in Mount Vernon. 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway, Mount Vernon. Mount Vernon decks the halls with themed Christmas trees on the estate and festive greenery in the Mansion. Visit www.mountvernon.org/christmas.

December 2016

SATURDAY/DEC. 3

Jingle Bell Run/Walk. Registration begins at 6:45 a.m., events begin at 8 a.m. race starts at 8:50 a.m. at Pentagon Row, 1101 S. Joyce St. This run/walk features a “Jingle in Your Jammies” and a “Children's Fun Run” as well as races for adults. Registration is \$15-40. Visit www.arthritis.org for more.

SATURDAY/DEC. 10

Great Chocolate Race. 7:30 a.m. at N. Kent Street and Wilson Boulevard. Take a 5-mile trip around the capital,

Arlington National Cemetery, and other monuments. Registration is \$5. Visit www.crucibleracing.com/chocolatearlington.

March 2017

SECOND TUESDAY IN MARCH

Clarendon Mardi Gras Parade. Annual parade to celebrate Fat Tuesday. Visit www.clarendon.com/mardi-gras.

Persian New Year Celebration.

The Nowruz Festival celebrating the Persian New Year will include entertainment from musicians, dancers, artists, costumed characters, and traditional players. About 55 street vendors will be offering traditional and exotic foods, as well as jewelry, crafts, and other traditional Persian products. Visit www.nowruzfestival.org for more.

April 2017

APRIL-JUNE

Relay for Life. Raise funds for cancer research by attending all-night-long events sponsored by the American Cancer Society. Visit www.relayforlife.org for specific details.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/APRIL 22-23

Arlington Festival of the Arts. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at 3003 Washington Blvd. Artists from all over the country will showcase paintings, jewelry, pottery, glass, and more. Free. Visit www.artfestival.com.

APRIL 23-30

Historic Garden Week. This eight-day statewide event provides visitors with a unique opportunity to see elaborate gardens with more than 2,000 flower arrangements created by the Garden Club of Virginia Members. Visit www.va.gardenweek.org for more.

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Annual Move Me Festival. Each

year, local dance company Bowen McCauley Dance hosts a family-friendly celebration of arts and culture featuring live performances and interactive demonstrations. Activities in arts and crafts, theatre games, singing, storytelling, world dance, yoga, Pilates, and more are perfect for the whole family. Free. Visit www.bmdc.org for more.

May 2017

SATURDAY/MAY 21

Taste of Arlington. 12-6 p.m. at Downtown Ballston. This annual event turns the Ballston area into a street festival featuring Arlington's restaurants and live music. Ticket prices vary. Visit www.ballstonbid.com.

June 2017

MONDAYS, JUNE-AUGUST

Crystal Screen. 1851 S. Bell St. Each year a different theme is chosen for this outdoor film festival beginning at sunset each Monday. Visit www.crystalcity.org for more.

SUNDAY/JUNE 25

Pops for Pets. 6 p.m. at Lubber Run Amphitheatre, 200 N. Columbus St. The Arlington Philharmonic will collaborate with the Animal Welfare League of Arlington (AWLA) to present the fourth annual Pops for Pets, an informal outdoor benefit concert. Free. Visit www.arlingtonphilharmonic.org for more.

August 2017

WEDNESDAY-SUNDAY/AUG. 16-20

Arlington County Fair. Times vary at Thomas Jefferson Community Center, 3501 Second Street South. Summer family event complete with carnival rides, musical entertainment, food and more. Admission is free. Visit www.arlingtoncountyfair.us

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Arlington's Future

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wrote in letters arguing that the height allowances were still too restrictive for potential development. There was debate on the County Board over the height allowances, but the board unanimously approved the Sector Plan.

FURTHER SOUTH, Crystal City and Pentagon City are both seeing significant residential growth. Duffy said the recent improvements to the Fashion Centre at Pentagon City have had a major change on development in the area, bringing in new restaurants and 60,000 square feet of new construction along Hayes Street.

"It's a whole new appearance and new frontage to the Fashion Centre Mall," said Duffy. "We're seeing retail and residential development occurring in Pentagon City at that Metro station. Looking at those two different areas in our Metro corridors we see active mixed use development underway."

At the southern border of Arlington, Duffy says the county is beginning a major project centered around Jennie Dean Park in the Shirlington neighborhood. Duffy said the park, the temporary home to Arlington's ART bus fleet, will be improved with new active recreation facilities and passive, open space park areas. Plans for the

park include more pedestrian connectivity to the Four Mile Run stream, where Arlington and Alexandria are both engaging in conservation efforts, and to the nearby dog park.

The last major project underway in the upcoming months is the Lee Highway Planning Initiative. In early 2016, consultants unveiled a draft plan for upgrading the Lee Highway corridor. The plan included limiting the highway to two lanes to make room for more green space and bicycle accessibility.

"By the end of the year, we will recommend to the County Board efforts to undertake to continue to work with the Lee Highway residents to realize this vision," said Duffy.

In addition to development questions, Arlington faces the daunting task of implementing 2015's Affordable Housing Master Plan.

"One of the priorities that the board has charged is that we need to put

strategies in place that will help preserve several thousand market rate affordable units located throughout Arlington," said Duffy. "We're completing a set of recommendations and strategies and actions that the board can take to preserve existing affordable units. We will be bringing those recommendations forward in the fall for consideration by the County Board."

"We're seeing retail and residential development occurring in Pentagon City at that Metro station."

**— Robert Duffy,
Planning Director,
Arlington County**



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Arlington by Zip Code

From U.S. Census data

Zip code: 22201

Population: 34,427

Race: White-27,095 (78.7%), Black/African American-1,448 (4.2%), American Indian and Alaska Native-89 (0.3%), Asian-3,574 (10.4%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-3,654 (10.6%)

Total housing units: 19,597

Owner-occupied housing units: 6,407 (32.7%)

Households with individuals under 18 years: 2,213 (13.1%)

Households with individuals 65 years and over: 1,324 (7.8%)

Median household income: 117,332

Mean family income: 206,905

Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home: 22.6%

Zip code: 22202

Population: 22,543

Race: White-16,872 (74.8%), Black/African American-1,777 (7.9%), American Indian and Alaska Native-83 (0.4%), Asian-2,698 (12%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-1,823 (8.1%)

Total housing units: 14,505

Owner-occupied housing units: 3,005 (22.9%)

Households with individuals under 18 years: 1,137 (8.7%)

Households with individuals 65 years and over: 1,774 (13.5%)

Median household income: 109,006

Mean family income: 170,684

Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home: 24.4%

Zip code: 22203

Population: 21,850

Race: White-15,552 (71.2%), Black/African American-1,321 (6%), American Indian and Alaska Native-256 (1.2%), Asian-2,247 (10.3%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-3,839 (17.6%)

Total housing units: 11,272

Owner-occupied housing units: 3,859 (34.3%)

Households with individuals under 18 years: 1,554 (13.8%)

Households with individuals 65 years and over: 1,937 (17.2%)

Median household income: 100,874

Mean family income: 166,006

Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home: 26.8%

Zip code: 22204

Population: 47,233

Race: White-24,650 (52.2%), Black/African American-7,920 (16.8%), American Indian and Alaska Native-322 (0.7%), Asian-5,407 (11.4%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-14,433 (30.6%)

Total housing units: 21,637

Owner-occupied housing units: 8,205 (41.5%)

Households with individuals under 18 years: 5,272 (26.7%)

Households with individuals 65 years and over: 2,794 (14.1%)

Median household income: 75,135

Mean family income: 99,944

Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home: 49.4%

Zip code: 22205

Population: 18,875

Race: White-15,416 (81.7%), Black/African American-484 (2.6%), American Indian and Alaska Native-2 (0.0%), Asian-1,452 (7.7%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-1,684 (8.9%)

Total housing units: 6,922

Owner-occupied housing units: 5,074 (%)

Households with individuals under 18 years: 2,554 (36.9%)

Households with individuals 65 years and over: 1,239 (17.9%)

Median household income: 149,703

Mean family income: 196,055

Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home: 19.1%

Zip code: 22206

Population: 19,051

Race: White-13,346 (70.1%), Black/African American-2,459 (12.9%), American Indian and Alaska Native-61 (0.3%), Asian-1,294 (6.8%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-2,700

Total housing units: 11,166

Owner-occupied housing units: 4,586 (45.8%)

Households with individuals under 18 years: 1,730 (17.3%)

Households with individuals 65 years and over: 927 (9.2%)

Median household income: 95,023

Mean family income: 125,954

Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home: 22.9%

Zip code: 22207

Population: 33,553

Race: White-27,831 (82.9%), Black/African American-1,029 (3.1%), American Indian and Alaska Native-230 (0.7%), Asian-1,877 (5.6%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-3,125 (9.3%)

Total housing units: 11,997

Owner-occupied housing units: 9,160 (76.4%)

Households with individuals under 18 years: 4,047 (35.8%)

Households with individuals 65 years and over: 2,637 (23.1%)

Median household income: 167,594

Mean family income: 255,264

Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home: 15.3%

Zip code: 22209

Population: 11,551

Race: White-8,247 (71.4%), Black/African American-646 (5.6%), American Indian and Alaska Native-17 (0.1%), Asian-2,183 (18.9%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-1,393 (12.1%)

Total housing units: 8,075

Owner-occupied housing units: 1,981 (24.5%)

Households with individuals under 18 years: 495 (7.7%)

Households with individuals 65 years and over: 586 (9.1%)

Median household income: 94,742

Mean family income: 150,798

Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home: 33.6%

Zip code: 22213

Population: 3,470

Race: White-2,915 (84%), Black/African American-19 (0.5%), Asian-359 (10.3%), Hispanic or Latino (of any race)-146 (4.2%)

Total housing units: 1,376

Owner-occupied housing units: 1,022 (74.3%)

Households with individuals under 18 years: 444 (32.3%)

Households with individuals 65 years and over: 207 (15.1%)

Median household income: 151,477

Mean family income: 217,299

Population 5 years and over who speaks a language other than English at home: 23%

Source: American Community Survey 2014

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An Arlington Abecedary

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And L is for Arlington's libraries. There is no comparison between Fairfax County libraries and Arlington's, said several of the "Splash Girls," a group of early risers who swim together at Yorktown.

And Liberals, said Sheila Taylor, a Splash Girl, who said loves Arlington because there are so many liberals living here.

There's also the Lee Community Center, said Mulugeta, for its art classes for seniors, and music.

"M" is for Meaza Restaurant, 5700 Columbia Pike, South Arlington. Mulugeta said they "have delicious food, a wide variety of fasting food and also Shiro with beef." Ethiopians fast several times during the year Meaza caters to a strict fasting regimen.

"N" is for the Netherlands Carrillon, said Lanaras. "If you have never been to a concert there, you should try it."

"O" is for "Oh Say Can You See?" The military band plays regularly in Arlington, whether at the Iwo Jima memorial, or at other monuments.

"P" is for Parks. Jean Turner rhapsodizes about parks in Arlington: "No matter where you live there is a park you can walk to in Arlington," she said.

P is for People: the people in Arlington are just different: nicer, friendlier, said Jerod Hudley.

P is for the Pentagon City mall: "The beauty of this mall is that you can get it all in one place: Costco, Nordstrom, Best Buy, and parking."

"Q" is for Quesadilla: one of the favorites of Jennifer Penick is District Taco, at 5723 Lee Hwy., North Arlington.

"R" is for Ravi Kabob, one of Josh Dobson's favorite places to eat out. Both Ravi Kabob restaurants are great: one is more take out style and one is more family restaurant. They are right across from each other at 305 N Glebe Road, Arlington and, 250 N. Glebe Road. The restaurant has dishes like lamb shanks that fall off the bone.

R is also for Rocky Run Park, one of the easy to park at parks, according to Jean Turner.

"S" is for Spray parks: "it's a new thing for Arlington," said Turner. "There is a new one at Pentagon City."

"T" is for Tailor: Reeds Custom Tailor and Alterations at 5179 Lee Hwy., Arlington near all the Bangladeshi stores. Local resident Bryan McAlister said he goes to Reeds because "If you want to get it done right, this is where you come." Farid Salahi alters a new suit for McAlister and agrees to help a new client, who has waited until the last minute, get a custom order done ... overnight. In between fittings, he bemoans the lack of a good Afghani restaurant in Arlington: Bamiyan, in Falls Church, he said: "still the best." The kindness Salahi shows his customers, many of whom need their item right away, is typical in South Asia, but not so much in the U.S. "Going to that strip of stores is like taking a little trip to South Asia," said Elizabeth Thomas.

"U" is for Upton Hill Regional Park: Jim Moore said it's "his favorite place to go in Arlington: they have putt- putt golf, a great pool, batting cages, and



PHOTO BY SHIRLEY RUHE/THE CONNECTION

U is for Upton Hill Regional Park

With a loud creak, the batting machine shoots a ball through the air to the batter in number two baseball fast pitch batting cage at Upton Hill Regional Park on Wilson Blvd. This park also offers a swimming pool with two slides and a 500-gallon dumping bucket tower as well as miniature golf.

many other things for only \$12 a day." It's at 6060 Wilson Blvd., Arlington.

"V" is for very interesting that there was only one letter not mentioned by residents: perhaps next year's guide will be able to include readers' comments on a favorite that begins with V.

"W" is for William Jeffery's Tavern, at 2301 Columbia Pike, according to Anne Stewart. It has a raw bar and a long list of craft beers.

And the "Westover Beer Garden," said Josh Dobson. "That really brought Westover back to where it used to be years ago: a happening place." The Beer Garden and Haus is at 5863 Washington Blvd.

W is for Walter Reed Community Center at 2909 16th St S, Arlington. Mulugeta goes there "to play basket ball, table tennis, ground tennis, and volley ball."

"X" - well, X is for 'extraordinary,' said Jean Turner. "The way they (Arlington County) try to use everything so well," said Turner. "Like the high schools all have pools and they are used by the public."

"Y" is for the YMCA in Arlington, said Hudley. Fitness classes there are demanding but social: sometimes announcements are made about one of the attendees having a concert or book reading.

"Z" - Zen, as in Sushi Zen at the Harrison Shopping Center, 2457 N Harrison St. "One of the elderly residents I took care of, Calvin Thomas, loved to go to Sushi Zen for lunch, where he was treated with respect and kindness by the staff, and the food was great," said his caregiver, Dawit Mulugeta.

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How to Vote

Every year is election year in Virginia; mechanics and details of voting require attention to detail.

While the Presidential election will take top billing, in Arlington four important bond questions plus one County Board seat and two School Board seats are on the ballot. Every seat in the U.S. Congress is on the ballot, meaning the 8th district in Arlington.

Arlington voters will be asked to vote yes or no on four bond questions, details below: \$58 million in transportation bonds, \$19 million in park bonds, close to \$100 million for county “infrastructure,” and \$138 million for schools bonds. More information at <https://budget.arlingtonva.us/bond-referenda/>

Absentee Voting in Person in Arlington

Voting begins Sept. 23, and with record turnout possible, voting early if you qualify is a good choice.

There are 19 valid reasons to vote absentee in Virginia, including working and commuting to and from home for 11 or more hours between 6 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Election Day. Check the Virginia Department of Elections list to see if you are eligible. <http://elections.virginia.gov/casting-a-ballot/absentee-voting/index.html>

There are two ways to vote absentee, in-person and by mail. To do either, you should first check your voter registration status to make sure it is up-to-date. If you vote absentee in-person you will fill out the application when you arrive at the in-person absentee location (see locations below).

Absentee-in Person Voting

Friday, Sept. 23 through Sat. Nov. 5.
Courthouse Plaza, 2100 Clarendon Blvd., Lobby Level
Mon-Fri, Sept. 23-Oct. 21, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
Saturdays, Oct. 8, 15, 22, 29, Nov. 5: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
Mon-Thu, Oct. 24-Nov. 3 8 a.m.-7 p.m.,
Fri, Oct. 28: 8 a.m.-5 p.m.,
Fri, Nov. 4: 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
Walter Reed Community Center, 2909 16th St. S
Madison Community Center, 3829 N Stafford St.
Saturdays, Oct. 8, 15, 22, 29, Nov. 5: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
Mondays-Thursdays, Oct. 24-Nov. 3: 1-7 p.m.
Fridays, Oct. 28 and Nov. 4: 1-5 p.m.

Proposed Arlington County Bond Referenda Metro and Transportation

QUESTION: Shall Arlington County contract a debt and issue its general obligation bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$58,785,000 to finance, together with other available funds, the cost of various capital projects for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority and other transit, pedestrian, road or transportation projects?

This proposal would fund a variety of transportation, road, pedestrian enhancement and transit projects across the county. The largest components of this proposal are

\$30 million for Arlington County’s share of WMATA/Metro’s capital improvement program, and \$24 million to fund a portion of the costs for paving local streets and roadways. Proceeds of this proposal would also fund bridge renovation, street lights, transportation systems and traffic signals, as well as the WALKArlington, BikeArlington, Safe Routes to Schools, and Curb and Gutter Missing Links programs. The County Board may reallocate bond funds among the various projects to the extent necessary or desirable.

Local Parks and Recreation

QUESTION: Shall Arlington County contract a debt and issue its general obligation bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$19,310,000 to finance, together with other available funds, the cost of various capital projects for local parks & recreation, and land acquisition for parks and open space?

The proposed Local Parks and Recreation program would fund parks improvements and enhancements, as well as \$3 million for the Land Acquisition and Open Space program for strategic park acquisitions and land acquisition for parks and open space. This proposal would also fund the Trail Modernization program, design and planning at Jennie Dean Park and construction at Tyrol Hills Park, and maintenance capital improvements such as playground, courts and other parks infrastructure improvements. The County Board may reallocate bond funds among the various projects to the extent necessary or desirable.

Community Infrastructure

QUESTION: Shall Arlington County contract a debt and issue its general obligation bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$98,850,000 to finance, together with other available funds, the cost of various capital projects for county facilities, joint county – schools projects, information technology, and other county infrastructure?

This proposal will fund a variety of county infrastructure projects.

The largest component of this proposal is \$46.46 million for the Lubber Run Community Center project.

Also included is \$12 million of funding for Neighborhood Conservation projects, as well as funding for the Nauck Town Square, planning and design of the Fire Station 8 replacement, renovations and improvements to government facilities in the Court House Complex, renovation of the Barcroft Sports and Fitness Center for additional gymnastics, and a county childcare facility.

The Neighborhood Conservation Program provides funding for a variety of neighborhood-identified capital improvement projects including street improvements (sidewalk, curb and gutter, drainage, paving), traffic management and pedestrian enhancements, park improvements, street lighting, recreational facilities, landscaping, and beautification.

It also includes funding of a joint county

and schools parking deck and other improvements at the Thomas Jefferson middle school site due to the construction of a new elementary school, critical systems infrastructure upgrades to 24x7 hour facilities; and facilities maintenance capital improvements, including design and construction of projects including but not limited to roofs, electrical and heating / cooling systems and other facilities infrastructure. The County Board may reallocate bond funds among the various projects to the extent necessary or desirable.

Arlington Public Schools

QUESTION: Shall Arlington County contract a debt and issue its general obligation bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$138,830,000 to finance, together with other available funds, the costs of various capital projects for Arlington Public Schools?

This proposal will make funds available for the Arlington Public Schools’ capital improvement program. The proposed bonds will fund the following projects:

- ❖ the new middle school at the Stratford site (\$26,030,000)
- ❖ the new school at the Wilson site (\$78,400,000)
- ❖ addition and renovation at the Career Center/Arlington Tech (\$12,000,000)
- ❖ planning for secondary seats at location(s) to be determined (\$10,000,000), and
- ❖ infrastructure capital projects such as HVAC, roofing, etc. (\$12,400,000)

The School Board may reallocate bond funds among the various projects to the extent necessary or desirable.

Virginia Voter ID

Virginia has a stringent voter identification requirement, plan to bring photo identification with you to vote, whether that is absentee or on Election Day.

Among accepted ID: valid Virginia Driver’s License or Identification Card; valid Virginia DMV issued Veteran’s ID card; valid U.S. Passport; other government-issued photo identification cards issued by the U.S. Government, the Commonwealth of Virginia, or a political subdivision of the Commonwealth; valid college or university student photo identification card from an institution of higher education located in Virginia; valid student ID issued by a public school or private school in Virginia displaying a photo; employee identification card containing a photograph of the voter and issued by an employer of the voter in the ordinary course of the employer’s business.

Any registered voter who does not have one of the required forms of identification can apply for a free Virginia Voter Photo Identification from any general registrar’s office in the Commonwealth.

Constitutional Amendments

Two proposed Virginia Constitutional Amendments will also be on the ballot:

Ballot Question 1: Should Article I of the

Upcoming Deadlines

On Election Day Polls are open from 6 a.m. - 7 p.m.

To determine whether you are eligible and registered to vote in this election, visit the Virginia Department of Elections website at <http://elections.virginia.gov/> or call Fairfax Elections office at 703-222-0776.

❖ Sept. 23: In-Person Absentee Voting Begins www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/absentee.htm

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❖ Nov. 1: Last Day to Apply for an Absentee Ballot by Mail, Fax, Email or Online: 5 p.m.

❖ Nov. 5: Final Day for In-Person Absentee Voting

❖ Nov. 8: Absentee Ballot Return Deadline: 7 p.m.

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On The Ballot in Arlington:

Nov. 8, 2016 General and Special Elections - on the ballot are:

- ❖ President and Vice President
- ❖ U.S. House of Representatives, 8th District
- ❖ Arlington County Board
- ❖ Arlington School Board (two seats)
- ❖ Two Proposed State Constitutional Amendments
- ❖ Four Proposed County Bond Questions

President and Vice President of the United States

Donald Trump/Mike Pence, R
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U. S. House of Representatives, 8th District

Donald S. Beyer, Jr. (D) (incumbent)
Charles A. Hernick (R)
Julio Gracia (I)

County Board

Libby T. Garvey (D) (incumbent)
Audrey R. Clement (I)

School Board (two seats)

Nancy Van Doren (incumbent)
Tannia Talento

Constitution of Virginia be amended to prohibit any agreement or combination between an employer and a labor union or labor organization whereby (i) nonmembers of the union or organization are denied the right to work for the employer, (ii) membership to the union or organization is made a condition of employment or continuation of employment by such employer, or (iii) the union or organization acquires an employment monopoly in any such enterprise?

Ballot Question 2: Shall the Constitution of Virginia be amended to allow the General Assembly to provide an option to the localities to exempt from taxation the real property of the surviving spouse of any law-enforcement officer, firefighter, search and rescue personnel, or emergency medical services personnel who was killed in the line of duty, where the surviving spouse occupies the real property as his or her principal place of residence and has not remarried?

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Local History

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information. <http://www.arlingtonhistoricalsociety.org/>

We have more exhibits at the Arlington Historical Museum, including displays on local African-American History, the Little Tea House, the Pentagon on 9/11, and more. We also have temporary exhibits that change several times a year. Please come visit and check us on line at our website or on Facebook.

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Arlington Chamber of Commerce

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Arlington Economic Development

1100 North Glebe Road, Suite 1500. A resource for consumers and businesses in Arlington, with everything from updates on what on businesses' recent accomplishments and successes to studies on Arlington demographics that show how the city is changing. Call 703-228-0808 or visit www.arlingtonvirginiausa.com.

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901 North Glebe Road, Suite 806. Ballston's BID strives to be a foremost business, cultural and entertainment destination; they plan the large food-music-art festival Taste of Arlington. Call 703-664-1194 or visit www.ballstonbid.com.

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2001 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 505. A public-private partnership established in April 2006 to promote the Crystal City business, retail, restaurant and residential community. The BID is committed to showcasing the area as a world-class destination for visitors, employees and residents. Call 703-412-9430 or visit www.crystalcity.org.

Rosslyn Business Improvement District (BID)

1911 North Fort Myer Drive, LL-10. Established in 2003, the Rosslyn BID takes a leadership role in making Rosslyn a viable place to live, work and play. Call the office at 703-522-6628 or visit www.rosslynva.org.

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Getting To Know ...

O'Connell Softball Wins 5th State Title In a Row

School: Bishop Denis J. O'Connell High School.
Mascot: Knights.
School Colors: Blue and silver.
Athletic Director: Joe Wootten
Football Coach: Colin Disch (second year).
The Knights finished the 2015 season with a 1-9 record.

Girls' Soccer Coach: Alberto Starace.
Boys' Basketball Coach: Joe Wootten.
Girls' Basketball Coach: Aggie McCormick-Dix.
Baseball Coach: Kyle Padgett.
Softball Coach: Tommy Orndorff.
Rival Schools: Paul VI, Bishop Ireton.

What happened last year: The Knights won their 21st softball state championship in the history of their school. They finished the season with a 23-5 record and defeated Norfolk Christian School 16-0 on May 20 to secure their 5th straight title.
Head Coach Tommy Orndorff coached his 24th straight 20-win season in his 31st year as head coach.
O'Connell's all time softball state tournament record is 67-2.

Notable: Bishop O'Connell hired former NFL tight end Chris Cooley to their football coaching staff for the upcoming season.

Boys' Basketball Returned to VCU

School: Wakefield High School.
Mascot: Warriors.
School Colors: Kelly green and black.
Athletic Director: Noel Deskins
Football coach: Wayne Hogwood, (fourth year)

WAKEFIELD SPORTS The Warriors finished the 2015 regular season with an 8-3 record and earned a 5A North region playoff berth. Wakefield was defeated in the opening round by Potomac Falls 21-6.

Field hockey coach: Mike Wisniewski
Boys' basketball: Tony Bentley
Girls' basketball: Marcia Richardson
Baseball: Mike Ruck

What happened last season:
The Warriors boys' basketball team won the Conference 13 championship — the program's fourth straight district/conference title — and finished 5A North region runner-up before eventually losing to L.C. Bird, 54-51, in the state semifinals. Wakefield finished the season with a 25-3 record.
After falling to Potomac in the region final, the Warriors beat Deep Run 50-48 in the state quarterfinals on March 5 at Robinson Secondary School. Three days later, Wakefield returned to VCU for the first time since 2013, but fell short against L.C. Bird again.

Notable: The boys' basketball program, led by head coach Tony Bentley, has won four straight district/conference championships. The Warriors are 98-15 during that stretch, with one region title and two region runner-up finishes.

Boys' Soccer Brings Home State Title

School: Washington-Lee High School.
Mascot: Generals.
School Colors: Blue and Gray.
Athletic Director: Carol Callaway
Football Coach: Josh Shapiro (tenth season).
The Generals finished the 2015 regular season with a 5-6 record and qualified for the 6A North playoffs. W-L lost to Westfield 44-20 in the opening round.

WASHINGTON-LEE SPORTS
Cross Country Coach: Matt Przydzial.
Field Hockey Coach: Beth Prange.
Boys' Basketball: Bobby Dobson.
Girls' Basketball: Angie Kelly.
Gymnastics Coach: Joe D'Emidio.
Baseball: Doug Grove.
Boys' Soccer Coach: Jimmy Carrasquillo.
Girls' Soccer Coach: Eddy Matos.
Rival School: Yorktown.

What Happened Last Season: The Washington-Lee boys' soccer program was one of Virginia's best during the last three years, compiling a record of 48-4-6. While the 2014 and 2015 seasons ended in disappointment for W-L, the 2016 campaign ended with the Generals hoisting a state championship trophy.
Washington-Lee defeated First Colonial 3-1 in the 6A state final on June 11 at Robinson Secondary School, capturing the first state title in program history and the school's first team state championship since girls' tennis won it all in 1977. W-L senior striker Maycol Nunez scored a pair of goals in the state final, one day after scoring four against Grassfield in the semifinals.
The Generals finished the year with an 18-1-2 record and a third consecutive undefeated regular season.
Notable: The girls' varsity basketball team finished their season 11-11, but lost to McLean High School in the opening round of the Liberty Conference 6 Tournament 53-45.

Yorktown Gymnastics Wins Title

School: Yorktown High School.
Mascot: Patriots.
School Colors: Columbia blue and white.
Athletic Director: Mike Krulfeld
Football Coach: Bruce Hanson (32st year).
Yorktown finished the 2015 regular season with a 3-7 record and missed the playoffs after qualifying last season.

YORKTOWN SPORTS
Volleyball coach: Sheena Gauer.
Boys' basketball coach: Joe Reed.
Girls' basketball coach: Devaughn Drayton.
Baseball coach: John Skaggs.
Boys' Lacrosse Coach: Greg Beer.
Girls' Lacrosse Coach: Crystal Fraser.
Rival school: Washington-Lee.

What Happened Last Season: The Yorktown gymnastics team was arguably one of the more talented in the area during the 2013-14 and 2014-15 seasons, but with the Patriots competing against state powers Washington-Lee and McLean in Conference 6, Yorktown was unable to advance past the conference meet.
Yorktown finally got over the hump during the 2015-16 season, winning Conference 6 and 6A North region championships, along with earning a trip to the state meet.
Freshman Julia Hays was one of the top performers on a team that included junior standouts Juliette Mitrovich and Olivia Zavrel.
Hays won region championships for all-around, beam and floor, and went on to share the beam state championship with Mitrovich, both earning a score of 9.75.
Notable: The boys' soccer team finished with an 11-7-3 record and won the Conference 6 championship by defeating Langley 2-1. They would then lose to W-L in the Region finals and lose to First Colonial in the opening round of the State playoffs.
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