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## NEWS

### 25 Years for Sexual Assault

An Arlington man was sentenced on Friday, March 3, in the Arlington County Circuit Court for his role in a 2016 sexual assault. Anibal Rodriguez Castellanos, 37, was sentenced to 30 years, with five years suspended, for the charge of burglary while armed and 10 years for the charge of attempted rape. These sentences will run concurrently. After his release, Castellanos will be listed on the sex offender registry and will be deported upon serving his sentence.

Theophani K. Stamos, Arlington County Commonwealth's Attorney and M. Jay Farr, Arlington County's Chief of Police made the announcement following the court appearance. At approximately 2 a.m. on June 19, 2016, a male subject unlawfully entered a female victim's residence in the 3900 block of 4th Street N. and sexually assaulted her. The subject used the threat of a weapon to hold her against her will. During the attack, the 28-year-old female victim was able to lock herself in the bathroom and yell for help. The male subject fled the scene on foot and was observed by a neighbor leaving the scene.

Following interviews with the victim and witnesses, a composite sketch of the suspect was developed. A combination of evidence collected during the investigation and



**Anibal Rodriguez Castellanos**

the accounts of several people from the neighborhood led to the identification of Anibal Rodriguez Castellanos.

"The victim's searing courtroom testimony today was heartbreaking and the sentence handed down today by Judge Newman was entirely appropriate. My hope is

that today's outcome will bring a small measure of peace and closure to the victim. She deserves that," according to a statement by Theo Stamos, Commonwealth's Attorney.

Arlington County Deputy Chief Daniel J. Murray, Commander of the Criminal Investigations Division said, "The steadfast investigative work completed by our detectives, the strong partnership with the Arlington County Commonwealth's Attorney's Office and the ultimate sentence imposed by the court sends a powerful message that we will use all available resources in our pursuit to keep our community protected from sexual predators."

Detective P. Pena was the lead detective and the case was prosecuted by Commonwealth Attorney Lisa Tingle.

### Man Sentenced to 17 Years

Martin Walker, 25, of Largo, Md. was sentenced on Friday, March 3, in the Arlington County Circuit Court to 17 years in prison for his role in a shooting on Columbia Pike in 2016.

Judge Daniel S. Fiore imposed the sentence for the charges of attempted murder, malicious wounding, use of a firearm during the commission of a felony and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

On April 20, 2016 at approximately 10:30 p.m., Arlington County Police responded to a report of a dispute in the 3600 block of Columbia Pike. Arriving officers located one male victim suffering from a gunshot wound to the leg. He was transported to the hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

The initial investigation revealed there was a dispute between several subjects and a business owner over the sale of a vehicle. One subject brandished a firearm and shot multiple rounds towards the victim who was sitting in his vehicle. Following the shooting, the subjects fled the area. Officers observed the subject's vehicle and initiated a short pursuit on northbound I-395. The pursuit was terminated in Washington D.C.



**Martin Walker**

U.S.s Park Police assisted the investigation with the use of their helicopter. Detectives from the Department's Homicide/Robbery and Tactical Units developed suspect descriptions. Members of the SWAT Team took Walker and

Joseph Thompson into custody from a residence in the 2400 block of S. Lowell Street. Thompson, 27, of Manassas, previously entered an Alford plea to the charge of attempted malicious wounding by mob and was sentenced to serve one year in jail.

Through the course of the investigation, detectives determined that the initial male victim suffering from a gunshot wound had been an aggressor in the dispute. Gregory Porter Jr., 22, of Triangle Va., previously pled guilty to the charge of attempted malicious wounding by mob and was sentenced to serve one year in jail.

Detective S. Roeseler was the lead detective and the case was prosecuted by Commonwealth Attorney Josh Katcher.

### Arrest Follows Williamsburg Homicide

The Arlington County Police Department has arrested and charged Monique Williams, 27, of Capital Heights, Md. with accessory after the fact for her role in a homicide in the Williamsburg neighborhood on Feb. 19, 2017.

Williams was arrested in Prince Georges County, Md. and subsequently extradited to the Commonwealth of Virginia. She is being held on no bond in the Arlington County Detention Center.

Police continue to seek the public's assistance in locating the primary suspect, Ja-



**Monique Williams**

son Allen Johnson, 37, of Washington, D.C. Johnson is wanted in Arlington County for murder. He is described as a black male, approximately 5'5" and weighing 145 pounds.

Johnson is considered armed and dangerous. Anyone with information

on his whereabouts should call 911 immediately and not approach the suspect.

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## Little Church on the Corner Broadens Its Vision

Plans move forward to transform CUMC property.

BY SHIRLEY RUHE  
THE CONNECTION

**T**he road has been a long one for the Central United Methodist Church (CUMC) efforts to transform their property in Ballston into a new worship space. The Rev. Sarah Harrison-McQueen says for 100 years they have been the little church on the corner and an integral part of the Ballston community. “But,” she added, “The community we serve is growing and changing so it’s important that we grow and change as well in order to serve the people who live, work and worship here.”

CUMC moved into the next phase on Feb. 28 when the Arlington County Board unanimously approved their redevelopment plan. This came after five years of discussing how to re-envision the church property to better serve the community. This included a year-long effort to satisfy local preservationists and historians about appropriate treatment of the historic Ball cemetery located on church property.

The question revolved around whether the historic Ball Cemetery should be declared an Arlington Historical District which would necessitate modification of church plans or whether any potential Bell family remains along with markers should be moved to a separate location.

A series of public hearings have been held since October 2016 along with specialized archaeological investigations to determine whether graves still existed on church prop-



PHOTO BY SHIRLEY RUHE/THE CONNECTION

**The Ball family cemetery located on Central United Methodist Church property will be voluntarily designated an Arlington Historical District as part of the transformation of church property into a new worship space.**

erty. Although that question was never fully resolved, the plan moved forward when the architects were able to redesign the underground parking for the building to incorporate the Ball cemetery space. To honor Robert Ball, Sr., the founder of Ballston, the plan designates the 502-square-foot space that contains headstones for several Ball family members as a local historic district. Plans for the space include a fenced area around the headstones under the backdrop of the “Christ in Blessing” Tiffany stained glass window from the former Abbey Mausoleum.

The new CUMC building will include the sanctuary, offices, classrooms, music suite, commercial kitchen and a fellowship hall. The new kitchen will allow for the expansion of the current meal program serving



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**Central United Methodist Church moves forward in its plans to transform their property in Ballston into a new worship space to include residential units, a commercial kitchen to expand feeding the homeless and a doubling of daycare slots.**

about 100 less fortunate residents every Friday. The goal is to add more days during the week with professional support from A-SPAN, AFAC and the county. Kathy Sibert, president and CEO of Arlington Street People’s Assistance Network (A-SPAN) said, “The church hosts a drop-in meal program from 5 a.m.-noon, and A-SPAN has outreach workers and case managers there, and the nurse practitioner drops in to assist people. It is a time for visiting; people are treated with respect and many of the homeless have joined the church. It’s a really nice partnership.”

An expanded daycare space will double Kinhaven School’s capacity from 68 slots to 120, will extend the daycare hours to full day and add an infant classroom to help relieve the severe shortage of daycare in

Arlington. It will include underground dedicated parking spaces for use by the church and to be shared by Kinhaven.

In addition, the plan includes a residential structure above the worship space to include 119 rental units, of which 71 will be market rate and 48 will be affordable rental units. These units will serve persons earning 40-60 percent of the area median income. Six of these affordable units will be three bedrooms to better serve families. The project is scheduled to begin in the fall of 2017 with an estimated completion date of December 2019. The timing will depend on the approval of its affordable housing tax credit application to be decided in the spring. Harrison-McQueen said, “It has been a long tortuous road to get from where we were to where we’re going. But I’m excited.”

## WofA Meeting Draws Motivated Crowd

General Assembly election called first referendum on President Trump’s policies.

BY EDEN BROWN  
THE CONNECTION

**A**lmost 100 residents gathered on Monday, March 6, as members of “We of Action Virginia” (WofA), a group of Arlington men and women who are working to pursue political change in the wake of the 2016 election. But first, they had to sing happy birthday to Del. Patrick Hope (D-47), in harmony.

Hope called the upcoming General Assembly election the first referendum on the Trump administration’s policies. No other state has as many delegates up for election in 2017. The problem, he said, was that many Virginians don’t vote in uneven years. Hope said the would like this to be the year to turn the General Assembly around. “We

have the wind at our backs,” he said. “Thanks to the folks across the river, we’ve had to do very little to find delegates willing to run for the Virginia General Assembly.”

Hope told WofA it has been a fairly typical year in Richmond. “You will see bills that are anti-women, anti-immigrant, anti-reproductive rights. It’s important to remember these divisive bills are introduced not to turn into law but to send a message. Each side tries to motivate its voters and activists.”

“But,” Hope said, “Governor McAuliffe brags about setting the record for vetoes, and we can sustain his vetoes because we have enough delegates. We are 34 delegates now but if we can get to 43, the entire con-

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**Patrick Hope addressed the We of Action (WofA) meeting on Monday night, reviewing the upcoming Virginia General Assembly elections.**

### What Is WofA?

There are 12 #Indivisible groups that have formed to date in Arlington, of which WofA is one of the largest with almost 1,000 members. #Indivisible was formed by a group of congressional staffers who wanted to resist some of the policies of the Trump Administration. Since they had learned from Tea Party activists on the Hill, WofA follows the model with its own action teams. WofA VA was started by Micaela Pond, a teacher at Key Elementary School, and meets on the first Monday of the month in Arlington. WofA is looking for volunteers to engage on voting and elections, finding common ground with non-Democrats, reaching out to youth to understand what 18-plus year olds want, and dissecting the issues to understand what makes Virginia’s voters tick. They have a “weekly blast” on their website which provides suggestions on what people can do on any given week to be effective. To learn more, or to join the group, or find out where meetings are held, see [www.wofava.org](http://www.wofava.org), write to [wofava@gmail.com](mailto:wofava@gmail.com), see facebook We of Action Virginia, or visit twitter @wofava.



# Arlington Diner To Close ... Later in Spring

33 years of 364-day customer favorites.

BY SHIRLEY RUHE  
THE CONNECTION

**A**n Arlington institution is disappearing. After 32 years on S. Glebe Road the Arlington Diner will close its doors on .... "You know I haven't picked a date, maybe the third week in May," said Louie Alpos, the



**Louie Alpos contemplates what he will do when he closes the Arlington Diner after 32 years. His feelings are mixed but he is thinking about it and says everything is open.**

owner of the Arlington Diner. "I lost my lease. I asked for another 10 years but they would only give me 1-5 years." He says it isn't long enough to make back the money



**Bmebet Reggasa pours coffee for Lisa Long at the Arlington Diner on S. Glebe Road. Reggasa has been a waitress at the diner for 31 years and says it is like family.**

on the changes he'd like to make to the diner. Alpos points out the booths are 15-years-old, and he needs to replace the counter. He adds that expenses keep going up every year and it costs close to \$75 per square foot to lease the space.

Bmebet Reggasa pours a cup of coffee for a customer. "Bmebet has been with me for 31 years. When we came here we were both young and now we're still here." Reggasa says she doesn't know what she will do when the diner closes. "It's sad; this is like a family." Alpos says all of his employees have been there for at least 15 years. "They don't leave."

A bright green sign on the front window advertises "Breakfast." Lisa Long sits by the window getting a coffee refill and finishing her "eggs, toast ... the whole shebang. I love diner food. I don't like fancy places or junk food. This is my kind of place."

Alpos says some years ago he decided to offer breakfast all day and open earlier and this has helped his business. Some customers stop by every day for breakfast or lunch.

Alpos says last year business cut off, possibly because people know he will be closing. He says it will be a big surprise when they show up to see whether he closes or not.

Today's specials written in ink on a large index card include a bowl of bean soup or the special lemon-rice plus a grilled cheese sandwich for \$6.50. He remembers when a bowl of soup was \$1.25. "I was very cheap; rent was low." The lamb shank dinner, which is \$12.95, used to be \$5.95. "I used to buy a lamb and cut it up myself into lamb chops, roast leg of lamb and pieces for stew." But he stopped 5-6 years ago. "It takes a lot



**Louie Alpos stands outside the Arlington Diner where, except for a few short trips home to Greece, he has spent 364 days a year for 32 years. The diner is scheduled to close "probably the third week in May."**

of time, and I don't sell it like I used to."

He says salads and fish and chicken have taken over from lamb and beef that used to be popular. He said, "When I start here, I have different people. They say why not put lamb on the menu. But they move away." Now the omelets are a customer favorite. "Personally I like Louie's Greek Tycoon that has gyros, ham, sausage, bacon, onions and peppers, Feta cheese, black olives and potatoes — everything." The menu also advertises a Greek omelet, which is tomatoes and feta cheese.

Alpos says years ago and he used to work in a restaurant and then one day he found out he could do it by himself. So in 1987 he opened Arlington Diner and "well of course I cook the first 3-4 years." Later he hired cooks but he has always cooked the specials by himself. Now he is there at 6 a.m. in the morning and stays until 2 p.m. when he takes a short break and returns at 5 p.m. "I work 7 days a week with Christmas my only day off all year."

He says he doesn't know how life will be without work. "Well, my feelings are mixed. I need a little time off. But I've worked for 40 years." Alpos says he is thinking about it. "I will probably go visit my relatives in Menidi, a small village in Greece, more often and stay longer." He may start another restaurant in a while. "Everything is open."

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**Jose F. Sorto is busy peeling potatoes for the all-day breakfast at Arlington Diner. Sorto is a cook at Arlington Diner where he says he has worked for 21 years.**

## County Manager Recommends Reeves Farmhouse Sale

**A**rlington County Manager Mark Schwartz recommended Feb. 28 that the county move forward with the sale of the historic Reeves farmhouse, and that the county not be a financial partner in the farmhouse's restoration and re-use.

He will ask the board at its March meeting to direct him to move forward with creation of the separate Reeves farmhouse parcel and the sale of the farmhouse.

"The best way to preserve Reeves farmhouse is to sell it to a private buyer who will be required to maintain its historic integrity," Schwartz said in a release. "Our efforts to work with the Reeves Farm Conservation Society, Inc. and Reevesland

Learning Center have not resulted in a viable community proposal for the farmhouse."

The county's goal is to preserve the historic character of Reeves farmhouse and to preserve the site's two acres of open space, the raised gardens, sledding hill and milk shed.

After determining that the cost of restoring the farmhouse so that it could be used by the public was prohibitive, the board directed the county manager in May 2015 to pursue re-subdivision of the 2.4-acre Reevesland parcel. In September 2015, the board approved a Use Permit for a Unified Residential Development (URD) to create the farmhouse parcel, and a Use Permit for

a public park on the remaining two acres of the Reeves site. At that time, the board directed the county manager to hold off on recording the plat to allow the community the opportunity to put forward proposals for restoring the farmhouse.

In 2016 the county explored options with the Reeves Farm Conservation Society, Inc. In June the Conservation Society notified the county that they would not be pursuing reuse of the farmhouse. County staff also met with the Reevesland Learning Center several times over the past six years in the hopes that a viable community proposal could be developed.

The county has been unable to achieve the sort of partnership to restore the

Reevesland farmhouse that it has achieved with other nonprofits, including Phoenix Bikes, Arlington Arts Center, Marymount University and George Washington University, who brought significant capital contributions to their projects.

Both the farmhouse parcel and the public park parcel will remain under a county local historic district, so all exterior changes are subject to review by the Historic Affairs and Landmark Review Board. The farmhouse lot will have an additional historic easement recorded on it before it is put up for sale. The county manager's March Board Report will lay out the steps necessary to prepare the Reeves farmhouse for sale and the timeline for that to happen.



## 'FLOURISHING AFTER 55'

"Flourishing After 55" from Arlington Office of Senior Adult Programs, for March 12-18.

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

**Senior trips:** Medieval Times show, Hanover, Md., Sunday, March 12, \$54; Fiona's Irish Pub, Alexandria, early St. Patrick's Day lunch, Tuesday, March 14, \$5 (trans. only); Philadelphia Flower Show, Thursday, March 16, \$62; Air Mobility Command Museum and lunch, Dover, Del., Saturday, March 18, \$57. Call Arlington County 55+ Travel, 703-228-4748. Registration required.

### NEW PROGRAMS:

**Tai Chi Level I**, Monday, March 13, 2 p.m., \$44/8 sessions, Walter Reed. Register, 0955.

**Introduction to pickleball**, Mondays, 9 a.m., Arlington Mill. Details, 703-228-7369.

**Recorded piano recital by Vladimir Horowitz**, Monday, March 13, 1 p.m., Langston-Brown. Details, 703-228-6300.

**Weather events that affected history**, Tuesday, March 14, 11:15 a.m., Lee. Register, 703-228-0555.

**New garden group**, Tuesday, March 14, 1 p.m., Walter Reed. Details, 703-228-0955.

**Introduction to rubber stamping**, Tuesday, March 14, 1 p.m., Lee. Register, 703-228-0555.

**Medicare updates for 2017**, Wednesday, March 15, 1 p.m., Lee. Register, 703-228-0555.

**Meditation theory and practice**, Wednesday, March 15, 2 p.m., \$32/8 sessions, Lee. Register, 603-228-0555.

**Arlington Walking Club**, Wednesday, March 15, 9:30 a.m., Lubber Run, \$4. Register, 703-228-4403.

**Planning a multi-generational trip**, Wednesday, March 15, 6:30 p.m., Langston-Brown. Register, 703-228-6300.

**Basics of life insurance plans**, Thursday, March 16, 11:30 a.m., Lee. Register, 703-228-0555.

**Palliative Care explained**, Thursday, March 16, 11 a.m., Langston-Brown. Details, 703-228-6300.

**Smartphone advice**, Thursday, March 16, 1:30 p.m., Arlington Mill. Register, 703-228-7369.

**Lee Senior Center Walkers**, Fridays, 10 a.m., \$4. Register, 703-228-0555.

**Ballroom dance**, Friday, March 17, 1-3 p.m., Lee. Free. Register, 703-228-0555.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Volunteer Bike Repair Night.** First Tuesday of the month, 6-9 p.m. at Phoenix Bikes, Barcroft Park, 4200 S. Four Mile Run Drive. Volunteers gather to refurbish bikes, sort parts or help with essential tasks. No experience necessary.

**The Arlington Food Assistance Center's** Plot Against Hunger program is again seeking local

vegetable gardeners and farmers willing to grow and donate fresh produce to the AFAC food pantry. AFAC can provide free vegetable seeds to those who pledge to donate produce from community or personal gardens. Seeds available now at AFAC, 2708 S. Nelson Street, during regular business hours. Visit [www.afac.org/plot-against-hunger/](http://www.afac.org/plot-against-hunger/).

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# OPINION

## Reassuring and Reaffirming

BY PATRICK K. MURPHY  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

*The following letter was addressed to Arlington Public Schools students, families, staff and community.*

I first want to offer my sincerest gratitude to all of you for your daily support to provide a welcoming, safe and caring learning environment for each and every student. It's our most important duty. We have heard from families, students and staff about concerns in light of the most recent changes to our nation's political landscape. Please be assured that all of us in APS are here to support our students, their families and our staff as we work to find ways to move forward.

### LETTER FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Although some of the information that follows is not new, I want to take this opportunity to:

- ❖ Reaffirm for our entire community that we are unwavering in our commitment to maintaining school communities where all students know they are safe, nurtured, welcomed, respected, and included so they can achieve their full potential.

- ❖ Share the APS policies that support our work to ensure a climate of caring and support.

- ❖ Provide resources for families.

- ❖ Impart final thoughts about our commitment and ask you to join us in these uncertain times to work together for the good of our children.

### Our APS Vision and Commitment to Children

The hallmark of our work is that all students should experience freedom from harassment, judgement or prejudice. In these challenging times, I want to remind everyone in our APS family that our Vision as a school system has not changed:

"Arlington Public Schools is a diverse and inclusive school community, committed to academic excellence and integrity. We provide instruction in a caring, safe and healthy learning environment, responsive to each student,

in collaboration with families and the community."

Over the past few months, some of our families and students have expressed apprehension and fear about the safety of students at school. We have heard concerns from a wide array of community representatives including immigrant, LGBTQ, Jewish, Muslim and other faith communities, African-American and Latino neighbors, and those from across the entire political spectrum. I want to assure all APS families that we are here to work with you to ensure that your children have a safe place to grow and learn, and that families and their beliefs will be respected in our schools.

### APS Policies That Guide Our Work

Several APS policies articulate our promise for ensuring that schools are caring, safe and welcoming:

- ❖ As I shared a year ago, APS is committed to providing an excellent public education to every school-aged student residing in Arlington County. In 1982, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that public schools may not deny access to any child, whether present in the United States legally or otherwise. As educators, APS has always acknowledged our legal and, more importantly, our moral obligation to provide an education to all students who live in our community.

- ❖ Most notably, our APS Bullying Policy clearly states that, "APS is committed to creating a safe, caring, respectful learning environment for all students. Bullying or harassment of students, including bullying based on an actual or perceived characteristic, such as race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, and mental, physical, or sensory disability, is strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated."

- ❖ Within the framework of our Bullying Policy, we also continue to support our transgender students and allow them to utilize neutral or staff facilities or facilities that correspond to the gender with which they identify. This has been our response since this issue first arose several years ago, and we will continue to follow this practice.

- ❖ We will continue to keep all of our principals and administrators up to date about cur-

rule against putting up such a banner, the social atmosphere discouraged it because some found it to be unsettling.

In order to reduce criticism and prevent negative comments and attitudes from spreading, it was necessary to remove the cause of such responses, in this case, for the well-being of the school.

However, this does not imply that the topic itself should be discouraged. The controversial phrase "Black Lives Matter" is subjective because of the fact that people can take it to mean different things. Certain groups of both parents and students felt racially or politically threatened by it. If the aim of the students who put up the banner, though, was to raise awareness about racial issues and the challenges Af-

rican Americans face in today's society, then these important themes can certainly be represented in other ways besides advocating on YHS grounds for a particular political movement that is currently controversial.

- ❖ We also will continue to work with all of our families and staff to provide a supportive, caring and respectful school environment so our children can continue to learn and grow without fear. I urge all families to contact your principal if you have questions or need support. We may not immediately have all of the answers, but we will work with you to address your concerns.

### Resources for Immigrant Families

I want to assure every family that we are also working to implement procedures in our schools to ensure an effective, consistent and smooth response in the event of inquiries by representatives from federal agencies.

- ❖ This week, Arlington County unveiled a new one-stop Immigration Resource Website that includes Frequently Asked Questions, information about community and county services, and links to organizations that provide information to helpful topics such as 'Know Your Rights' and 'Legal Aid.' Links to this website can be found on the APS district site as well as all individual school home pages under "Quicklinks."

- ❖ I also want to emphasize the importance of keeping your family information with your child's school up to date, especially for parent/guardian and emergency contacts, so that we can always reach you in an emergency.

### Final Thoughts

Our important work continues. I am proud of the way our students and staff embrace their common interests while continuing to respect and celebrate their differences. In closing, I want to share three important actions that I firmly believe can guide all of us as we continue to work to support all of our children and families:

- ❖ Be Kind – I believe our world needs this now more than ever.

- ❖ Be Calm and Respectful – our children are watching us and we need to model civil dialogues.

- ❖ Be Hopeful – "[We] must be the change [we] wish to see in the world." (adapted from Mahatma Gandhi)

Students should focus on embracing Black History Month for its legacy — aside from current political disputes.

Yorltown students surely deserve to share, in unique and not inherently political ways, the values that race does not define us and that people of color should not be treated any differently.

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# Trail Detours Begin Next Week

**C**ustis Trail users — in the vicinity of N. Lynn Street and Lee Highway — will begin experiencing detours next week. Arlington County, along with Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and Dominion Virginia Power, will be performing utility work; part of the Lynn Street Esplanade and Custis Trail Improvements project. Trail users are advised to be aware of changing detour signs as project utility work progresses. Below is a list of work dates and specific detour locations. Work dates are estimated and may vary:

## Phase I:

- Street work to be completed March 11
- ❖ No trail detour

## Phase II (red dotted line):

- Detour east of N. Lynn Street March 8-April 17
- ❖ Trail will be rerouted onto adjacent paved public driveway. Detour area will have signs and

temporary trailer mounted lighting.

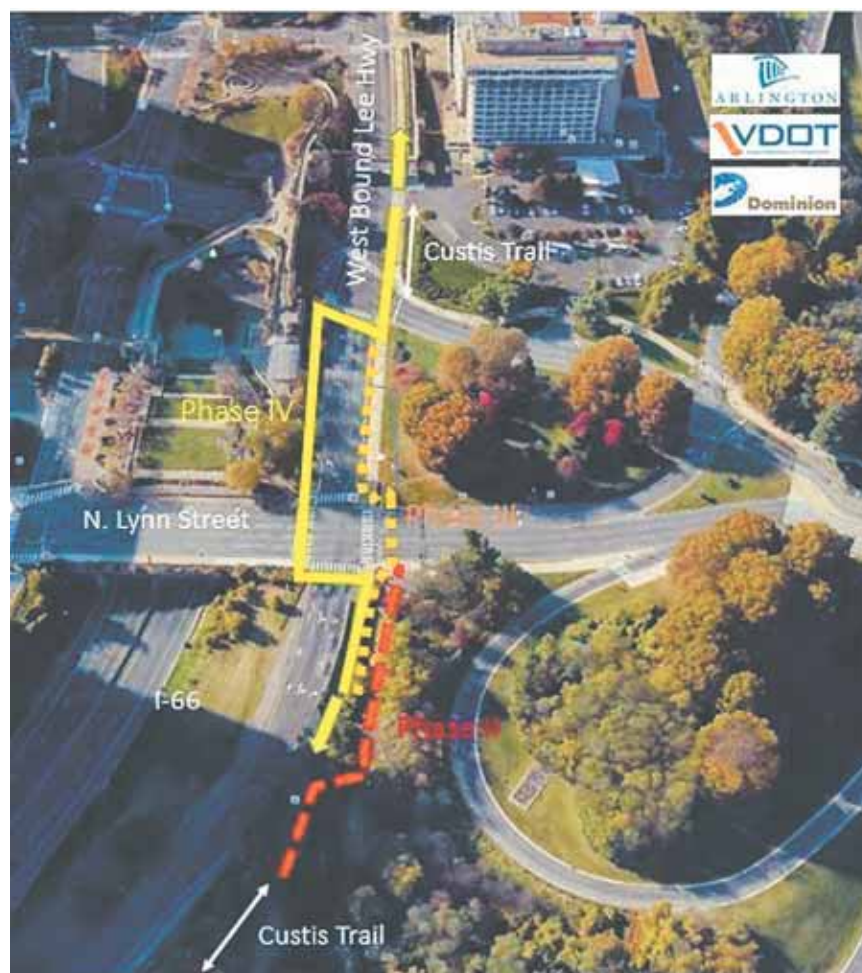
- ❖ Detour area has a steeper grade than current trail. Bicyclists are asked to dismount before entering and exiting the detour zone.

## Phase III (yellow dotted line):

- Detour at northeast corner of Trail Crossing at N. Lynn Street April 18 - May 8
- ❖ Trail will be rerouted around work area at northeast corner at N. Lynn Street; crossing will be shifted north.
- ❖ Detour area will have signs and temporary trailer mounted lighting.

## Phase IV (solid yellow line):

- Detour west of N. Lynn Street May 9 – June 6
- ❖ Trail will be rerouted to the south (Gateway Park) side of Lee Highway between N. Lynn Street and N. Fort Myer Drive.
- ❖ The detour route is narrower than current trail. Bicyclists are asked to slow down or dismount when pedestrians are near.



# 'We of Action Virginia' Focuses on November State Elections

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versation changes.” Hope urged the WofA activists to remind Virginians to vote in the upcoming elections. “The state does more to you or for you than the national government does,” he said. “Transportation, public schools, health care, environment ... it’s all state.”

Hope urged those at the meeting to write checks to help candidates if they want to see things like Medicaid expansion and more school funding. “But if you get people calling you for money, don’t just write a check to them,” he said. “Do what I do: I give my money to the House Democratic Caucus, because they know which races can be won and need money.”

Hope pointed out there are crucial races in Fairfax, Loudoun, and Prince William counties which need to be tracked. There are 17 Republicans who sit in seats that backed Clinton last year, Hope said. There are 6 or 7 very important, close races that

need to be won. The Republican in the bluest seat is James LeMunyon, who represents the 67th House District, a Northern Virginia district that Clinton carried 60-34.

He told WofA there are too many people who don’t realize they have to come out and vote. “Knock on doors and make phone calls. Register them to vote. Make sure everyone knows who their delegate and state senator are.”

Hope spoke with some frustration about the health care issue. “There are 400,000 Virginians who did not have access to affordable health care last year,” he said. During the years we have tried to expand Medicaid, we know Virginians have died, waiting for that health care.”

Hope said another major issue for the upcoming assembly is redistricting. The party in control of the General Assembly gets to draw their own maps for voting purposes and then it becomes a law that has to be voted on by both sides. It will be impor-

tant to make sure that those changes don’t take place without strong resistance. He urged the attendees to check [www.bluevirginia.org](http://www.bluevirginia.org) (this website is under construction) for upcoming races that are considered important to the Democrats. He also applauded Lt. Gov. Ralph Northam’s battle cry: “I won’t sign any legislation that is partisan.”

Most important, Hope said, remember to talk to Virginians and find out what it is they want.

There are more important bread and butter issues to talk about that people can find common ground on, like jobs and energy, which affect people’s income. Many people in Virginia depend on the coal industry as a livelihood and need to hear there is a plan to replace those jobs with other jobs they can do. He reminded those who had supported Hillary Clinton that the slogan had been ‘I’m with her’ but Donald Trump’s slogan had been ‘I’m with you.’”

## What Election?

❖ Elections for the office of Virginia House of Delegates will take place in 2017. The general election will be held on Nov. 7. All 100 House seats are up for election in 2017. No other state has this large a turnover in 2017. Virginia state delegates serve 2 year terms with all seats up for election every two years.

❖ Republicans have maintained control of the chamber since gaining a majority in 1999.

❖ Combined together, the General Assembly consists of 140 elected representatives from an equal number of constituent districts across the commonwealth. The House of Delegates is presided over by the Speaker of the House, while the Senate is presided over by the Lieutenant Governor of Virginia.

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## ONGOING

**“Taming of the Shrew.”** Through March 19, various times at the Synetic Theatre, Theater at Crystal City, 1800 South Bell St. Visit [synetictheater.org/](http://synetictheater.org/) for more.

**“Mrs. Miller Does Her Thing.”** Various times through March 26 at Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave. Visit [www.sigtheatre.org](http://www.sigtheatre.org) for more.

**The Gospel at Colonus.** Various times through March 26 in the Avant Bard, 3700 S. Four Mile Run Drive. General admission is just \$30 on Friday; \$35 on Saturday evenings and Sunday matinees. Call 703-418-4808 for more.

**Arlington Arts Light & Shadow Class.** Through March 29, 4:30-6 p.m. at Arlington Arts Center, 3550 Wilson Blvd. This new multimedia course focuses on value, arguably one of the most important elements of art. Exercises in charcoal, acrylic, chalk, and collage will lead to dramatic, high-contrast images. \$195. Visit [education@arlingtonartscenter.org](mailto:education@arlingtonartscenter.org).

**Pickleball.** Through March, noon-3:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at Arlington Mill Community Center, 909 S. Dinwiddie St. Call 703-228-7790 for more.

**John Glenn Exhibit.** Saturday and Sundays through March 31, 1-4 p.m.; Wednesdays, 12:30-3:30 p.m. at Arlington Historical Museum, 1805 S. Arlington Ridge Road. Includes his waterski from when he went waterskiing with Jackie Kennedy in 1962 as well as items celebrating his Mercury flight as the first American to orbit the Earth. Glenn lived in north Arlington at the time. He presented the waterski to the AHS, and it is autographed. 571-243-1113 or [garrett.peck@arlingtonhistoricalsociety.org](mailto:garrett.peck@arlingtonhistoricalsociety.org).

**“Purple Reign” Group Show.** Various times through March 31 at the Arlington Artists Alliance Gallery, 2100 Crystal Drive. An all-media show devoted to the color purple. Member artists were challenged to create colorful works that evoke the majesty and magic this color can elicit. Opening reception: Friday, March 3, 5-8 p.m. Visit [www.galleryunderground.org](http://www.galleryunderground.org) for more.

**Video Gallery.** Various times through April 1 at Metro Micro Gallery, 3409 Wilson Blvd. David Carlson “Water Unspoken” Video Gallery Experience. Visit [www.metromicrogallery.com](http://www.metromicrogallery.com) for more.

**Healthy Lifestyle Runs.** Saturdays, 9 a.m. at Roosevelt Island, George Washington Memorial Parkway. American Cancer Society partners with parkrun USA to promote fitness in the fight against cancer. Free. Visit [www.parkrun.us/rooseveltislanddc/](http://www.parkrun.us/rooseveltislanddc/) for more.

**Friday Night Live.** 8 p.m. Fridays at the Church at Clarendon, 1210 N. Highland St., Suite A. Local musicians perform. Free. Visit [1bc.org](http://1bc.org) for more.

**Culinaire’s Winter Lunch.** Tuesdays through Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at The Art Institute of Washington, 1820 N. Fort Myer Drive, 12th floor. Culinaire, the student-run restaurant of the Art Institute of Washington, is now serving lunch from their winter menu on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Visit [www.artinstitutes.edu/arlington](http://www.artinstitutes.edu/arlington) for more.

**Arlington’s Historical Museum**



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## ‘One Person Per Show’

**On March 9-11, it’s the “One Person Per Show,” marathon at Yorktown High School, 5200 Yorktown Blvd., Arlington. The Theatre IV One Person Shows are the culmination of the four-year Yorktown Theatre Program. Each Theatre IV student chooses a literary, fictional or historical character and then writes, stages, directs, and acts in a 30-minute show about that character. \$4, teachers free. Visit [yhstheatre.org/one-person-shows/](http://yhstheatre.org/one-person-shows/) for more.**

**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](mailto:garrett.peck@arlingtonhistoricalsociety.org).

**LGBT & Straight Friends Social.** Tuesdays. Happy Hour, 3-7 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](http://www.iotaclubandcafe.com) for more.

**Open Mic Comedy.** Wednesdays 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/](http://www.RiRa.com/) Arlington for more.

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

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

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

**Open Mic Nite.** 8 p.m.-12:30 a.m. every Wednesday at IOTA Club & Cafe, 2832 Wilson Blvd. Sign-up

times are 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. Bring instruments, fans and friends. Visit [www.iotaclubandcafe.com](http://www.iotaclubandcafe.com) or call 703-522-8340.

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

**Pub Quiz.** 8 p.m. every Sunday at Whitlow’s on Wilson, 2854 Wilson Blvd. Prizes for first place. Free. Visit [www.whitlows.com](http://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.

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

**Open Mic Night.** Wednesdays, at 8 p.m., sign ups are at 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m., at Iota Club & Café, 2832 Wilson Blvd. Free. Visit [www.iotaclubandcafe.com/](http://www.iotaclubandcafe.com/).

**Art for Life.** Third Thursday of each

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

**Brunch at Freddie’s.** Third Saturday of every month, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Freddie’s Beach Bar, 555 23rd St. The Arlington Gay and Lesbian Alliance gathers for an all-you-can-eat breakfast buffet (\$9.99). All are welcome. No reservation is required. Visit [www.facebook.com/events/700174390103305](http://www.facebook.com/events/700174390103305).

**The Gospel at Colonus.** Through March 26, various times at WSC Avant Bard Theater, 3700 S. Four Mile Run Drive. Hollywood-set adaptation of one of the Bard’s best known romantic comedies returns. Visit [wscavantbard.org/](http://wscavantbard.org/) for more.

## THURSDAY/MARCH 9

**GMU Workshops.** Thursday, March 9, noon-3 p.m. at Founders Hall, Multipurpose Room, 3351 Fairfax Drive. Join members of the university community and surrounding region for a planning workshop to share visions for the Arlington Campus. Free and open to public. Call 703-993-9817, email [tandrew7@gmu.edu](mailto:tandrew7@gmu.edu) or visit [Relations.gmu.edu](http://Relations.gmu.edu) for more.

**Visit with author John P. Richardson.** 7 p.m. at Marymount University Reinsch Library Auditorium, 2807 N. Glebe Road. Discussion of ‘Alexander Robey Shepherd: The Man Who Built the Nation’s Capital.’ Visit [www.marymount.edu/](http://www.marymount.edu/) for more.

## MARCH 9-11

**One Person Per Show Marathon.** Various times at Yorktown High School, 5200 Yorktown Blvd, Arlington. The Theatre IV One Person Shows are the culmination of the four-year Yorktown Theatre. \$4 teachers free. Visit [yhstheatre.org/one-person-shows/](http://yhstheatre.org/one-person-shows/) for more.

## MARCH 10-19

**Night at the Wax Museum.** Various times at the Thomas Jefferson Theatre, 125 S. Old Glebe Road. Presented by Encore Stage & Studio. \$10-\$15. Visit [www.culturecapital.com/event/49457/night-at-the-wax-museum](http://www.culturecapital.com/event/49457/night-at-the-wax-museum) or call 703-548-1154 for more.

## MARCH 10-11

**Comedian Dino Archie.** 10 p.m. at Arlington Cinema & Drafthouse, 2903 Columbia Pike. \$20. Visit [ArlingtonDrafthouse.com](http://ArlingtonDrafthouse.com) for more.

## SATURDAY/MARCH 11

**NoVa TEEN Book Festival.** 10 a.m. at Washington-Lee High School, 1301 N. Stafford St. Presented by Fall for the Book in conjunction with Fairfax County Public Library, Arlington Public Library, One More Page Books, Loudoun County Public Library, and Washington-Lee High School. Visit

[www.onemorepagebooks.com/](http://www.onemorepagebooks.com/) for more.

**Stop Hunger Now.** Two shifts, 10 a.m.-noon and noon-2 p.m. at Clarendon United Methodist Church, 606 N. Irving St. Project focuses on package 20,000 meals to send all over the world to those in need. Visit [clarendonumc.org](http://clarendonumc.org) or contact Jane Dixon [jdixon580@aol.com](mailto:jdixon580@aol.com) for more.

## SUNDAY/MARCH 12

**Antique Photo and Postcard Show.** 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. at Holiday Inn Rosslyn, 1900 N. Fort Myer Drive. The show will feature hundreds of tables displaying antique photographs and postcards. Visit [www.rosslynva.org](http://www.rosslynva.org) for more.

**Arlington Philharmonic Pianist.** 4 p.m. at Wakefield Auditorium, 1325 S. Dinwiddie St. A program of orchestral music inspired by the tradition of storytelling featuring Michael Shephard and Maurice Ravel. Tickets are not required, \$20 donation per adult is suggested. Visit [www.arlingtonphilharmonic.org](http://www.arlingtonphilharmonic.org) for more.

## MONDAY/MARCH 13

**Meet the Author.** 3-4:30 p.m. at the Arlington Central Library, 1015 Quincy St. Encore Learning presents a lecture by Barbara Faust, director of Gardens at the Smithsonian Institution. Call 703-228-2144 for more.

**Signature in the Schools Play.** 7:30 p.m. at the Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave. A production of Silent Sentinels suffragette protests at the White House in 1917. Visit [www.sigtheatre.org](http://www.sigtheatre.org) or call 703-820-9771 for more.

## TUESDAY/MARCH 14

**Poet Sarah Browning.** 2-3:30 p.m. in the Reinsch Library Auditorium, Marymount University, 2807 North Glebe Road. Browning is co-founder and executive director of Split This Rock, a Washington, D.C.-based nonprofit that calls poets to a greater role in public life and fosters a national network of socially engaged poets. Visit [www.marymount.edu/](http://www.marymount.edu/) for more.

## MARCH 14-APRIL 30

**Midwestern Gothic.** Various times at Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave. A world premiere thriller with a musical twist. Visit [www.sigtheatre.org](http://www.sigtheatre.org) or call 703-820-9771 for more.

## FRIDAY/MARCH 17

**The Art of Science Shows.** 6:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at The David M. Brown Planetarium, 1426 N. Quincy St. screening of full-dome show, “The Little Bear,” followed by a selection of short full-dome art shows. 7:30 pm “The Little Bear,” followed by full-dome show, “Exploding Universe.” \$3 for children under 12 and Seniors and \$5 for adults and members. Visit [friendsoftheplanetarium.org/event/](http://friendsoftheplanetarium.org/event/) for more.

**St. Patrick’s Day Concert.** 7:30 p.m. in the Kenmore Middle School Black Box Theater, 200 S. Carlin Springs Road. Arlington Community Chorus, Directed by Mary-Hannah Klontz and accompanied by Diane Carsten-Pelak, will sing Irish favorites and a variety of popular, jazz and show tunes. Visit [www.apsva.us/adulted](http://www.apsva.us/adulted) or call 703-228-7200 for more.

## MARCH 17-18

**Local Documentaries.** Screenings at various times at Imagination Stage, 4908 Auburn Ave., Bethesda. Local



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**The Arlington Philharmonic will present pianist Michael Shephard, Sunday, March 12 at 4 p.m. in the Wakefield Auditorium, 1325 South Dinwiddie St. Tickets are not required, \$20 donation per adult is suggested. Visit [www.arlingtonphilharmonic.org](http://www.arlingtonphilharmonic.org).**



# ENTERTAINMENT

filmmakers include Ben Powell and Taylor Powell, Falls Church, with film "Charlie & Sam," Vanina Harel and Aditi Desai, Arlington, with film "The Culture of Collards," Joe Dzikiewicz and Jaclyn O'Laughlin from Arlington and Alexandria with film "Encaustic," and Lauren Knapp of Alexandria, with "The Sandman." \$10. Visit [www.bethesda.org](http://www.bethesda.org) or call 301-215-6660 for more.

## SATURDAY/MARCH 18

**Signature in the Schools Play.** 11 a.m. at the Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave. A production of Silent Sentinels suffragette protests at the White House in 1917. Visit [www.sigtheatre.org](http://www.sigtheatre.org) or call 703-820-9771 for more.

**Spring Garden Kick-off.** 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at Arlington Central Library, 1050 N. Quincy St. Arlington Food Assistance Center's annual event gives new gardeners and old gardeners a chance to meet each other and share knowledge about gardening. Visit [afac.org/](http://afac.org/) for more.

**AGLA Brunch.** 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Freddie's Beach Bar & Restaurant, 555 23rd St. S. No reservations necessary. Visit [agla.org/](http://agla.org/) for more.

**The Art of Science Shows.** 6:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at The David M. Brown Planetarium, 1426 N Quincy St. 6:30 p.m. screening of full-dome show, "The Little Bear," followed by a selection of short full-dome art shows. 7:30 p.m. Guest speaker, Phil Smith focusing on "Artists as Great Communicators of the Greatest Adventure." \$3 for children under 12 and Seniors and \$5 for adults and members. Visit [friendsoftheplanetarium.org/event/](http://friendsoftheplanetarium.org/event/) for more.

## SUNDAY/MARCH 19

**The Art of Science Shows.** 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. at The David M. Brown Planetarium, 1426 N Quincy St. 1:30 p.m. Live concert by Jim Thorne and the MoonDiggers, singing songs from the album, "To Follow Apollo." 3 p.m. The Little Bear," followed by full-dome show, "The Magic Treehouse." \$3 for children under 12 and Seniors and \$5 for adults and members. Visit [friendsoftheplanetarium.org/event/](http://friendsoftheplanetarium.org/event/) for more.

## WEDNESDAY/MARCH 22

**Meet the Author.** 7 p.m. at One More Page Books, 2200 N. Westmoreland St, Ste 101. Brad Parks will present and sign his first standalone thriller "Say Nothing." Visit [www.onemorepagebook.com](http://www.onemorepagebook.com) or call 703-300-9746 for more.

## THURSDAY/MARCH 23

**Heart+ Pints Bazaar.** 5-9 p.m. at Palette 22 4053 Campbell Ave. Advon Real Estate is hosting the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual gathering together local and free-trade artisans as well as makers and crafters for an evening to benefit the non-profit, the Arlington Food Assistance Center Visit [AdvonRE.com](http://AdvonRE.com) or call 703-663-7171 for more.

## MARCH 24-MAY 6

**Artomatic Kicks Off 2017.** Various times at Exhibition space, 1800 S. Bell St. A variety of creative work, including visual art, music, film, live fire performances, poetry, dance, fashion, workshops and special



## Theater

**"Mrs. Miller Does Her Thing" runs through March 26 at Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave. Visit [www.sigtheatre.org](http://www.sigtheatre.org) for more.**

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events showcases. Visit [www.artomatic.org/](http://www.artomatic.org/) for more.

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## MARCH 24-MAY 6

**OCEAN Yoga.** 1-2 p.m. at Shirlington Branch Library, 4200 Campbell Ave., Campbell Room. Tricia Londres, owner of OCEAN Yoga, will instruct students of all levels and ability. Mats not provided. Visit

## MARCH 20-27

**Restaurant Week.** Arlington Chamber of Commerce is in partnership with the Virginia Restaurant, Lodging & Travel Association to participate in a region-wide restaurant week, with specials at selected restaurants. Visit

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

## SATURDAY/MARCH 25

**"Sister, I Like Your Style."** 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Army Navy Country Club, 1700 Army Navy Drive. The National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Northern Virginia Chapter for the Annual Luncheon and 24th Ebony' Image Awards that honors distinguished women in the community. \$65. Visit [www.ancc.org/](http://www.ancc.org/) for more.

**8th Annual Move Me Festival.** 1-5 p.m. at Kenmore Middle School, 200 S. Carlin Springs Road. Bowen McCauley Dance presents a variety of experiences and performances to culturally underserved students and their families. Visit [www.bmdc.org](http://www.bmdc.org) for more.

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## SATURDAY/APRIL 1

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# Presenting Opera to School Children

BY MIKE DOAN

A cast of Opera NOVA singers and dancers held the rapt attention of hundreds of school children Feb. 28-March 4 with singing, dancing and bright costumes for the first-ever 45-minute performance of Scott Joplin's opera "Treemonisha."

"We felt it was important to expose our students to various kinds of arts and music, including opera," said Tracey Houston, a teacher at Drew Elementary School in Arlington.

What was the opera about? "There were bad people and they were all punished but in the end everyone was happy," said one small child. That about sums up the story of 18-year-old Treemonisha, who is kidnaped by people who practice magic in a community of former slaves. But Treemonisha, who has been educated, talks the townspeople into forgiving them. The importance of education is a theme of the opera, written by the ragtime king in 1910, but largely overlooked since then. Artistic Director Jose Sacin took the score and shortened it, with hopes that other opera companies will use it as well.

Children loved screaming when the practitioners of magic ran through the aisles carrying huge brightly colored masks to ward off evil spirits. "I liked it when the guy kicked the bad guy with his leg," said one young spectator. Most of the students were told about the story in advance by teachers who received study guides from Opera NOVA and its president, Miriam Miller.

Pupils, some as young as 4, were brought in yellow school buses from the District of



Opera NOVA presented "Treemonisha."

Columbia and Northern Virginia to the production at Thomas Jefferson Middle School Theater, complete with orchestra pit and 11 musicians. Sacin opened the show by having the musicians come on stage to demonstrate and play each individual instrument, quizzing the children about which one it was.

An open dance sequence with richly colored lighting pantomimed the story before the actors took stage. The opera, directed by Roger Riggle, was put on by professional singers and actors recruited by Riggle, Sacin

and others. Treemonisha was played by Jocelyn Hunt. Other key players were Sam Keeler, Elise Jenkins, Matthew Woorman, Alex Albuquerque, Dwight Smith and Angelica Brooks. Stage manager was Bryan Boyd, and a barbershop-style quartet was led by George Hobart.

Opera NOVA, previously known as the Opera Guild of Northern Virginia, puts on musical productions to expose children, seniors and minorities to opera and other music that is often neglected.

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

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## SCHOOL NOTES

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**Garrett Gustafson** earned a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting and finance from Grove City College (Grove City, Pa.). Gustafson is a 2012 graduate of Washington Lee High School and is the son of David and Sharon Gustafson of Arlington.

**Patsy Zetkulec**, of Arlington, performs during the McDaniel College (Westminster Md.) student-directed play festival. Zetkulec, a freshman, plays Meg in "The Actor's Nightmare."

**Eva Davis**, of Arlington, was recently named to the dean's list at Northeastern University (Boston, Mass.) for the fall 2016 semester. Davis is majoring in mechanical engineering.

**Sofia Cardamone**, of Arlington, was recently named to the dean's list at Northeastern University (Boston, Mass.) for the fall 2016 semester. Cardamone is majoring in environmental studies/international affairs.

**Julia Watson**, a resident of Arlington, was named to the dean's list at Ithaca College's School of Humanities and Sciences for the fall 2016 semester. Watson is an acting major.

**Henry Mai**, a first-year student from Arlington, has been named to the dean's list for the fall semester at The College of Wooster (Wooster, Ohio). Mai is a graduate of Washington-Lee High School.

**Layna S. Deneen**, of Arlington, who is majoring in pre-business, was named to the dean's list at Clemson University (Clemson, S.C.) for the fall 2016 semester.

**Olivia M. Layman**, of Arlington, who is majoring in chemical engineering, was named to the dean's list at Clemson University (Clemson, S.C.) for the fall 2016 semester.

**Jacob Campbell**, from Arlington, was named to the fall 2016 dean's list at Loyal University Maryland (Baltimore, Md.).

Marymount University Vice President for Student Affairs **Linda McMurdock** was one of five participants in a panel discussion on Feb. 21 that helped kick off the annual national tour of "I am Psyched," a multimedia pop-up exhibit that explores the history of contemporary contributions of women of color in psychology. McMurdock, a Washington, D.C., native, has been at Marymount since 2014. Over the past 15 years, she has been involved in numerous capacities in higher education, most recently as the dean of students and vice president for student affairs at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles. Previously she enjoyed a career as a clinical psychologist managing community clinics, teaching graduate students, administering training programs, and specializing in health psychology and emergency management. McMurdock earned her undergraduate and graduate degrees in psychology from Howard University.

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# Sow Now, Reap this Spring

Getting a garden and yard ready for warm weather.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL  
THE CONNECTION

One of the most anticipated sights of spring is a garden in bloom. While the project of tackling a yard or garden after a dormant winter can seem daunting, horticulturalist Misty Kuceris of Burke Nursery & Garden Centre says an organized plan will make the task manageable.

"First walk around your yard and look at what's happened over the winter months," she said. "Look at your trees and shrubs. Do they need pruning before things really start growing?"

Flower and garden beds should be surveyed as well, says Kuceris. "If you didn't clean out the flower beds and vegetable beds at the end of fall, you need to do that," she said. "Take a look at whether you need to add more compost to make the soil better."

Even after flowerbeds are clean, David Watkins, general manager of Merrifield Garden Center says that homeowners should wait before planting warm season flowers like impatiens and begonias. "You want to hold off until the last frost is gone, he said. "Some nurseries however have tulips and daffodils that are already potted. Those can be planted now. There is also a Lenten Rose which blooms from February until June and you can add



PHOTOS BY MISTY KUCERIS

**Horticulturalist Misty Kuceris says that pansies are an ideal flowering plant for spring.**

color to your yard that way."

Kuceris also suggests reestablishing the weathered edging of a garden bed and adding new mulch when necessary. "The other thing that is good to do every two years is a soil test," she said. "Find out the pH is of your lawn and garden." Soil pH is a measure of the acidity and alkalinity in soils.

One source that Kuceris recommends is the Virginia Tech Soil Testing Laboratory. Researchers analyze soil samples submitted by the public and perform tests to evaluate the soil's nutrient potential. The tests also help researchers determine the most beneficial application rates of fertilizer and lime for optimum plant growth.

After the garden is tidy and the soil is prepared, vegetables can be planted. "If you have a vegetable garden, March is the best time to plant potatoes, scallions, onions, asparagus, lettuce, kale, cauliflower, broccoli, and even horseradish because those plants love spring," said Kuceris. "We call them cool season plants."

If weeds are an issue, you can apply a weed and crabgrass preventer and fertilizer," says Kuceris. "For a natural alternative, you can use corn gluten meal as a natural weed suppressant and fertilizer for grass lawns."

"With anything you plant now, the roots are going to start growing and you'll have a much better established plant by summer," added Watkins.

Most trees or shrubs can also be planted now, says Watkins. "Now is a great time to mulch and fertilize your trees, shrubs and lawn," he said. "That alone makes it look a lot better, even without planting."



**March is a great time to plant trees, like these Dogwoods.**

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**White and gray painted cabinets like those in this kitchen by Winn Design + Build will dominate kitchen color schemes in 2017.**



**Homeowners are seeking kitchen spaces that are calming and clutter-free says, Shannon Kadwell of Anthony Wilder Design/Build, Inc.**

# Kitchen Design Trends to Expect in 2017

## Local designer share popular design ideas.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL  
THE CONNECTION

**T**hose looking for kitchen design ideas have a new source of inspiration: the National Kitchen & Bath Association's (NKBA) list of trends for 2017. Local designers reveal which trends are most popular in the Washington, D.C. region.

NKBA predicts that contemporary-styled kitchens will overtake traditional to become the second most popular design after transitional. Locally, Michael Winn, president of Winn Design + Build expects to see "a strong move towards transitional and contemporary styles, with no fussy designs."

Homeowners are looking for "kitchen spaces that look comfortable, calming and clutter-free," said Shannon Kadwell of Anthony Wilder Design/Build, Inc.

Clean lines, built-in shelving and simple door styles dominate kitchen designs. Megan Padilla, senior designer for Aidan Design reports an interest in custom storage ideas. "We're inspired by our work with clients who often have collections of table décor — everything from antique trays to vintage oyster plates," she said. "By creating custom storage these cherished items can be readily accessible."

When it comes to painted cabinetry, gray is the new white and the popularity of both



**Design trends for 2017 include kitchens with rustic and reclaimed woods, such as this one by Aidan Design.**

colors shows no signs of slowing down, according to the NKBA survey. However, blue painted and high gloss kitchen cabinets are emerging, especially in the Washington area, says Winn. "Blues and grays are very popular [and] 'White continues to be popular."

**"People have less time and want to cook so want to do it quickly and they're wanting these appliances that can accomplish that."**

— Shannon Kadwell  
of Anthony Wilder Design/Build, Inc.



**"I would also expect the technology side to be a focus in D.C.," said Samantha Klickna, project developer with Case Design/Remodeling, Inc.**

For overall color schemes, two-toned kitchens are gaining popularity while blue and black are emerging as sought after colors. "We're seeing a rise in product offerings available in matte black — from appliances to plumbing fixtures to cabinet hardware," said Padilla.

"We love it paired with white in a classic black and white kitchen, but also as an accent piece. Matte black also pairs beautifully with brass, which has been trending for the past couple of years."

Quartz is the most sought-after kitchen countertop material, followed by granite. "Most of our clients aren't really interested in a kitchen that [is] too trendy since they plan to have it in place for 15-20 years," said Padilla. "We've seen an uptick in interest in incorporating color by way of alternate neutrals. Navy blue is probably the top choice, but taupes and lighter blues are also on the list."

An interest among homeowners in incorporating technology in kitchen design is increasing as well. About one third of the NKBA professionals surveyed reported recent projects that included wiring and pathways for future tech integration. "I would also expect the technology side to be a focus in D.C.," said Samantha

Klickna, project developer with Case Design/Remodeling, Inc. "The ease and comfort of controlling your home while at the office or on travel is very appealing and convenient for the city dweller."

Induction cooktops and convection ovens are trending higher, and microwave drawers are surpassing freestanding or built-in microwaves in popularity. "People have been purchasing appliances like steam ovens and induction ovens now more than ever before," said Kadwell. "People have less time, but still want to cook. They want to be able to cook quickly, so they're looking for appliances that can accomplish that."



# Butterfly Weed Wins Perennial of the Year

BY CAROLE FUNGER  
THE CONNECTION

The designation Perennial Plant of the Year is awarded each year by the Perennial Plant Association to the perennial that outshines its competitors not only in appearance, but also in its noteworthy characteristics. To be considered, a plant must be able to grow in a wide range of climates, require little maintenance and have multiple seasons of interest. And, it should be relatively pest and disease free.

That’s a tall order for many plants, but late last year, orange-flowering butterfly weed (*Asclepias tuberosa*) more than rose to the occasion. In November it was voted 2017 Perennial Plant of the Year, becoming the 27<sup>th</sup> in a distinguished line of perennials to receive such an honor.

### What makes butterfly weed so special?

Native to much of the continental United States as well as Ontario and Quebec, butterfly weed grows wild in a variety of climatic conditions including dry forests, along roadsides and in prairies and open fields. A member of the milkweed family, it tops out at about 1 to 2 feet. Its natural preference for average to dry soil makes it an excellent drought-resistant plant.

Butterfly weed’s large clusters of flowers are a brilliant orange-yellow, a beacon among other subtler-



The butterfly weed

toned plants. Happily blooming from June through August, they produce copious amounts of nectar that attracts hordes of butterflies, birds and a wide assortment of insects. The distinctive flowers are composed of five petals that stand up (called hoods) and five petals that hang down. The hoods enclose a single orange horn that when cross-pollinated, forms a follicle. Later in the season, the follicle opens up along one side to disperse silky-tailed seeds.

Not to be outdone, butterfly weed’s foliage has its own attractions. Long and pointed, the 4” leaves provide food for the larvae of native Monarch butterflies, while also lending a deep green backdrop to the brilliant flowers.

Plant butterfly weed in full sun in well-drained, moderately dry soil. For an eye-catching composition, pair it with other strong-hued perennials like *Liatris spicata*, *Echinacea* ‘Double Scoop Raspberry’ and *Hemerocallis* ‘Stella D’Oro.’ Or, let its orange flowers shine amidst subtler toned flowers like lemon-yellow *Hemerocallis* ‘Happy Returns’, white *Phlox* ‘David’ and apricot *Cosmos*.

## HOME SALES

In January 2017, 159 Arlington homes sold between \$2,387,500-\$95,000. This week’s list represents those homes sold in the \$560,000-\$570,000 range. For the complete list, visit [www.ConnectionNewspapers.com](http://www.ConnectionNewspapers.com)

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### TUNE IN

**Aging Matters.** 2-3 p.m. Tuesdays on WERA 96.7 LP FM on Arlington’s community radio station. Each week host Cheryl Beversdorf interviews individuals with expertise about a broad array of aging related topics affecting the lives of older adults and their loved ones. Visit [www.facebook.com/agingmatterswera](http://www.facebook.com/agingmatterswera) to listen to programs.

### THROUGH APRIL 18

**AARP Foundation Tax-Aide.** 10 a.m.-7p.m., Tuesdays, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Thursdays, Arlington Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Available free to taxpayers with low to moderate income, with special attention to those 60 and older. 703-829-6192

### WEDNESDAY/MARCH 8

**Sycamore School Open House.** 6-8 p.m. at the Falls Church Presbyterian Church, 225 E. Broad St., Falls Church. Upcoming open houses for

The Sycamore School will highlight “pop-up” classrooms where students can participate in experiential learning and parents can talk with staff about the curriculum and admissions. The school is located at The Arlington Center, Suite 300, 4600 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington. Visit [www.thesycamoreschoolva.org](http://www.thesycamoreschoolva.org) for more.

**Annual Meeting.** 6:30-9 p.m. at the Navy League, 2300 Wilson Blvd. The 39th annual meeting of Arlingtonians for a Clean Environment (ACE), “What It Means to Be Greener: Ecolabels and Standards for Environmentally Preferable Products” will include a panel presentation about the standards and labels used in the marketplace to guide our consumer choices. Visit [www.arlingtonenvironment.org](http://www.arlingtonenvironment.org) or call 703-228-6427 for more.

**Committee of 100 Meeting.** 7 p.m. at Marymount University’s Gerald Phelan Hall, 4737-4763 Yorktown Blvd. How Arlington should help seniors remain in their homes is the topic of the next Arlington Committee of 100 meeting. The hall opens at 7 p.m., dinner (\$28 for

members, \$30 for non-members) begins at 7:25, and the program begins at 8. For more details or reservations, visit [arlingtoncommitteeof100.org](http://arlingtoncommitteeof100.org).

### Gardening Talks &

**Demonstrations.** 7 p.m. at the Arlington Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. The Arlington Food Assistance Center and the Master Gardeners of Northern Virginia will sponsor a series of talks and demonstrations about gardening. In addition to basic gardening techniques, topics will include wild edibles, pollinators, food preparation and preservation, and more. For a complete schedule, visit [www.afac.org/plot-against-hunger/pah-events/](http://www.afac.org/plot-against-hunger/pah-events/).

### THURSDAY/MARCH 9

**Survey Deadline.** Interested in having a Farmers Market on the west end of the Pike at Arlington Mill Community Center? Fill out this survey on which day of the week is preferred for another farmers market on Columbia Pike. Also, see the list of winter vendors at the Farmers Market at

Pike Plaza. See the survey at [columbia-pike.org/farmers-market-survey-and-winter-market-vendors](http://columbia-pike.org/farmers-market-survey-and-winter-market-vendors).

### SATURDAY/MARCH 11

**Traffic Alert.** The Arlington County Police Department will conduct the following road closures to accommodate the Four Courts Four Miler:

❖ 6:30-11 a.m. — Wilson Boulevard from Courthouse Road to N. Rhodes Street.

❖ 8:45-11 a.m. — Wilson Boulevard from Route 110 to N. Courthouse Road; Northbound Route 110 from I-395 to I-66.

❖ Street parking in the area will be restricted.

**Sustainable Landscaping.** 9 a.m.-noon at Fairlington Community Center, 3308 S. Stafford St. Sustainable Landscaping 2: Soil Health and Water Conservation delves into soil structure, the geology of this area, how to create great compost, and preventing soil erosion and compaction. Free. Advance registration required as space is limited, at [mgmv.org](http://mgmv.org). Call 703-228-

6414 or email [mgaralex@gmail.com](mailto:mgaralex@gmail.com) for more.

### MONDAY/MARCH 13

#### Placement Exams for ESL Classes.

9 a.m. or 6 p.m. at Syphax Education Center, 2110 Washington Blvd. English as a Second Language for Adults, Arlington Public Schools’ REEP Program is giving placement exams for the March 27-June 16 session. Classes to be held at Syphax Education Center. Morning and evening classes available. Tuition is \$200-\$285 for people who live or work in Arlington; \$350-\$470 for people who do not. Exams are free. Call 703-228-4200 or visit [www.apsva.us/reep](http://www.apsva.us/reep).

### WEDNESDAY/MARCH 15

**Pruning: How and Why.** 10 a.m.-noon or 1-3 p.m. in front of 3205 White St., Falls Church. Come for some hands-on training on the proper way to prune hedges, evergreen and deciduous shrubs, and deadhead perennials. Free. Registration required at [mgnv.org](http://mgnv.org).



## No More "Dating"

By KENNETH B. LOURIE



Not until next year, anyway. Besides, there will be enough water gushing under that bridge, almost as much seen a few weeks back flowing onto the Oroville Spillway in Northern California. At least I hope so. Because if there's no more 'gushing,' there's likely no more, well; we don't have to talk about that. Not talking and planning for one's future is bad for a cancer patient's business; self-fulfilling prophecy and all that presumptive karma. And with all the dos and don'ts and hopes and prayers in the cancer world, my general philosophy has been not to mess with Mother Nature, too much, if you know what I mean? I don't necessarily believe in leaving well enough alone, but neither do I believe in poking the bear.

I mean, I acknowledge that I'm dying, but aren't we all really? Reminiscent to a few years back when a former ESPN Sports anchor (Dan Patrick, I believe it was, now of NBC Sports) made famous a similar characterization concerning a ballplayer's injury, when he said: "He's listed as day to day, but then again, aren't we all?" Oh yeah. A little perspective goes a long way, even a decade or so in arrears. I guess that's what's so enriching about reading. Unfortunately, reading is not fundamental for me, writing and listening is. And as with my unexpected non-small cell lung cancer diagnosis at age 54 and a half (lifelong non-smoker, no immediate family history of cancer or premature death; I know, any death is premature), I make the best of my situation and endeavor to strive to stay alive. I don't dwell on the negative. Sure, I accept and understand my reality (maybe in some dispute, but not in my head though), but having been raised with a positive attitude by both my late parents, I am able to endure until science/medicine finds a cure. It's not ideal, but it's a living — thank God!

And even more so the day after chemotherapy, as I sit and write on Saturday, March 4. Reminded as I am of the situation I find myself living in and trying to learn from to cope and always hope. Somehow trying to find a way to continue to take cancer in stride while not hiding from the harsh realities that affect many cancer patients. Just as occasionally looking in the mirror is not a pretty sight, nor is droning on and being cancer-centric. Though I am mostly cancer-centric in my weekly column, I hope its contents provide enough context that it sheds some light on how one lives with a terminal disease rather than how that same one puts off death.

I don't mean to imply that being diagnosed with cancer is akin to having a bad roommate where you can sort of close their bedroom door or try to ignore their comings and goings except as it concerns rent and utilities, but similar elements have to be enforced. 'Enforced' may be too strong a word. Maybe ingrained would be a better word? You have to own the responsibility of living with a terminal disease, but somehow try and not believe it. It sort of invokes the quote about minor surgery: "Minor surgery is someone else having it." When it's me having it, it's major. Compartmentalizing one's cancer diagnosis/prognosis is crucial to its acceptance. Obviously, it dominates your thinking and awareness, but it can't be allowed to control it. You just hope when you peel away the emotional layers you impose to maintain an even/humorous keel (in my approach, anyway), it won't resemble the damage seen on the Oroville Spillway.

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

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932 North Highland Street  
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VRP Participant:  
10th Street Flats LLC,  
4401 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 600,  
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The 10th Street Flats Property, located at 3100 10th Street North (formerly 3100 to 3128 10th Street North, and 932 North Highland Street) in Arlington County, is participating in the Voluntary Remediation Program (VRP) administered by the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). The property was the former site of commercial activities that included a battery store, fuel storage, vehicle sales, and vehicle maintenance. Environmental investigations found on-site petroleum and volatile organic compound contamination of soil and groundwater. Remedial actions to mitigate potential risks to human health and the environment from the contaminants have been proposed by 10th Street Flats, LLC and accepted by VDEQ-VRP. The remedial action consisted of soil excavation and disposal. A Certification of Satisfactory Completion of Remediation will be requested from DEQ-VRP. Questions or comments regarding this notice will be accepted for 30 days from the date of publication and should be addressed to the contact below:

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#### LEGAL NOTICE

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TSKAAB, LLC trading as The Black Squirrel, 2670 I Avenir Place, Vienna, VA 22180. The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) for a Beer & Wine, On & Off Premises & Mixed Beverages license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages.

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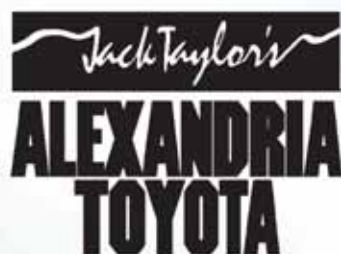
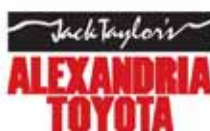
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**ToyotaCare Plus \$299<sup>00</sup>**  
Covers up to 4 years/45,000 miles



## BASIC LUBE, OIL & FILTER CHANGE SERVICE

**\$29<sup>95</sup>**

NON-SYNTHETIC

**\$44<sup>95</sup>**

SYNTHETIC

Includes: Genuine Toyota oil filter, up to 5 qts of conventional oil\*, inspect windshield wipers, check tire condition, check battery(with print-out), inspect and adjust all fluid levels, inspect air & cabin air filters.

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**Rotate & Balance 4 Wheels**

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