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Scrambling to collect eggs as part of The Biggest Easter Egg Hunt April 20 at Mount Vernon High School.



Children collect eggs at The Biggest Easter Egg Hunt April 20 at Mount Vernon High School. The family event was sponsored by Washington Community Church and featured more than 20,000 candy-filled eggs.

Hop to It!

Local Easter Egg Hunt features more than 20,000 eggs.

It was a mad scramble for candy as children from across the region descended on the fields of Mount Vernon High School April 20 in the hunt for more than 20,000 candy-filled eggs as part of an Easter family day celebration.

Called The Biggest Easter Egg Hunt, the event was hosted by Mount Vernon's Washington Community Church and featured face painting, jugglers and inflatables.

Following the hunt, prizes including stuffed animals, Nintendo Switches and bicycles were distributed through a raffle drawing.

The Washington Community Church, led by Senior Pastor Steve Bradcovich, is a non-denominational church located in the Mount Vernon area of Alexandria and hosts the free family event as part of its community outreach.

See www.wcchurch.com.

— JEANNE THEISMANN



Wearing his best Spiderman face, Caleb Hartridge collects eggs as part of the Washington Community Church's Easter Egg Hunt April 20 at Mount Vernon High School.



PHOTOS BY JANET BARNETT/THE GAZETTE

Washington Community Church Senior Pastor Steve Bradcovich, right, is with Angela Clinkscales, Youth Pastor Joseph Bradcovich, Chelsea Estes and Isabella Bradcovich at The Biggest Easter Egg Hunt April 20 at Mount Vernon High School.



Volunteer Angela Clinkscales at the April 20 Easter Egg Hunt.



Erika Pinena and 16-month old Griffith Parker.



Volunteers Andrew Stearman and Kayla Cowles

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SAR Chapter Presents Public Safety Awards

The George Washington Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, presented Public Safety Awards on April 11 to the following Fairfax County Police Officers at the Mount Vernon Station: Sergeant Michael A. Wheeler, MPO Peter Feigleson, MPO Ernie Jones, MPO Joseph Wallace, PFC Kelvin Catron, PFC Corey Clark, PFC Matthew Dobson, Officer John Buffington, Officer Austin Matos and, Deputy Connor Delgado.

All officers are from the Fairfax County Police Department's Mount Vernon Station with the exception of Deputy Connor Delgado who is from the Fairfax County Sheriff's Department and was working a Health Fair Expo event at the Bethlehem Baptist Church when he heard the call come over the radio and responded.

These officers had responded to a shooting on Sept. 8, 2018 in the Mount Vernon area. As a result of their coordination and quick action, the situation was quickly resolved and the suspect apprehended.



From left are: PFC Kelvin Catron, Deputy Sheriff Connor Delgado, OFC Austin Matos, MPO Peter Feigleson, MPO Joseph Wallace, SAR Compatriot John Blair, Mount Vernon Precinct Cdr. LT Camilla Stewart, PFC Corey Clark, SGT Michael Wheeler, and PFC Matthew Dobson. Missing awardees are: MPO Ernie Jones, and OFC John Buffington.

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Virginia Trails Nation in Placing Foster Children with Relatives

BY CAITLIN MORRIS
CAPITAL NEWS SERVICE

Only 7 percent of Virginia's foster children are placed with relatives, according to a new study — well below the national average of 32 percent.

The Annie E. Casey Foundation tracked changes in foster care in each state from 2007 to 2017. For Virginia, the data snapshot contained some good news: There were fewer children in foster care, and fewer foster children were placed in group homes.

But many experts say that ideally, foster children should be placed with relatives — and on that measure, Virginia did not make any progress over the 10 years.

"We want for children to have a family that is their family forever — whether it's their family of origin or if their foster family turns into an adoptive home," said Allison Gilbreath, a policy analyst at Voices for Virginia's Children, a nonprofit advocacy program.

Over the 10-year period, Virginia was successful in decreasing the percentage of foster children in group homes from 23 percent to 17 percent. That means more children have been fostered in family settings — but just not with their own relatives. The data also shows that older youth are more likely to be in group homes.

"We really need to spend some time and energy in the state and figure out what we can do that will specifically get at the racial inequities in the foster care system."

— Allison Gilbreath, Policy Analyst,
Voices for Virginia's Children

Virginia was also successful in reducing the number of children entering foster care. In 2007, there were 7,665, compared with 4,795 in 2017.

"While we have reduced the number of children overall in foster care, black children in particular continue to be overrepresented both in family-based settings, but also particularly in group homes," Gilbreath said. "We really need to spend some time and energy in the state and figure out what we can do that will specifically get at the racial inequities in the foster care system."

This year's Virginia General Assembly passed SB 1339 to bring Virginia in compliance with federal foster care regulations, including the federal Family First Prevention Services Act enacted in 2018. The act encourages states to keep children in family-based settings by redirecting federal funds to support services for at-risk children and their caregivers.

Virginia's new law also aims to increase the number of children placed with family members by notifying relatives when a child enters foster care.

Voices for Virginia's Children joined the Annie E. Casey Foundation in calling on child welfare systems to shift resources from group placements to family settings.

"They feel more loved and protected, and it's a more normal experience for that child," Gilbreath said. "But also, they're more likely

to achieve permanency that way, and that's what we really want for kids."

The organizations contend that the support system for other foster children and caregivers should also be available to relatives who take in children. This includes financial support and access to mental health support. Often, family members take in a child through what is known as kinship diversion, meaning they take in a child without using the foster system and don't receive the same support as caregivers in the foster program.

The children's advocacy groups also called for expansion of kinship navigator programs. These programs aim to help relative caregivers navigate the complex child welfare system. Under the Family First Prevention Services Act, additional federal funds have been made available for kinship navigator programs.

"Virginia has already started to take ad-

vantage of these funds but could adopt the programs statewide," Voices for Virginia's Children stated in a press release.

The organization and the Annie E. Casey Foundation also asked for increased access to services that would help stabilize families. By aligning legislation with the Family First Prevention Services Act, funds will be accessible for family support services to prevent at-risk children from entering the foster system.

"It's going to provide the first-ever opportunity to have money used to prevent entry into foster care," Gilbreath said. This funding will go toward programs that offer mental health support for the child and the caregivers, substance abuse treatment and in-home training in parenting skills for the family.

"If we were able to step in and provide that family support — we'd be able to make that family successful," Gilbreath said.

Owens To Lead Internal Affairs

Major Matt Owens, commander of the Mount Vernon District Station, has been promoted to command the Fairfax County Police Department's Internal Affairs Bureau.

He has been part of the FCPD family for 21 years. He started his career at the West Springfield District Station, where he served as a patrol officer, a member of the Neighborhood Patrol Unit, and a detective in the Criminal Investigations Section. He then decided he wanted to be a supervisor, and was soon after pro-



Owens

moted to Sergeant and assigned to the Sully District Police Station. Owens then served as Second Lieutenant in the Internal Affairs Bureau's Investigation Division, and was promoted to First Lieutenant as a Police Liaison Commander at the Department of Public Safety Communications. He returned to the Sully Station as the Assistant Commander before being promoted to Captain in 2016.

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DMV Just Around the Corner

BY PAUL KRIZEK
STATE DELEGATE (D-44)

In 2017, I successfully pushed for the establishment of the Sherwood Regional Library as a regular Mobile DMV location once every month. DMV Connect and the DMV2Go program serves Virginians who may not be able to travel to a DMV office. These services are aimed to bring the DMV to busy Virginians at times and locations which are more convenient to them. Prior to the Sherwood Regional Library location, 44th District residents would only have had the option to travel to either the Eisenhower Avenue or the Lorton DMV locations in order to access DMV services. The new service at the Sherwood Regional Library is also much more accessible to senior citizens, residents without cars, and for those that feel more comfortable speaking Spanish. Also, this year the DMV Connect will be open to the public at the Hollin Hall Senior Center.

I stopped in to visit the DMV Connect office at the library last week to see how their operation is set up. I was thrilled to learn that they are often busy throughout the day and that residents are utilizing the service to its fullest extent. The DMV employees on duty told us that the busiest times are in the morning, with residents lining up prior to the opening time. According to them, the best time to receive prompt service is in the afternoon. Below are the dates the two different DMV services will be in the 44th district through the end of the year.

DMV2GO provides all DMV transactions including vital records and testing. The hours of



Del. Paul Krizek visits DMV Connect at the Sherwood Regional Library.

operation at the Sherwood Regional Library are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The mobile van will be parked in the parking lot at this location but is unfortunately not handicap accessible.

- ❖ Sherwood Regional Library - May 23
- ❖ Sherwood Regional Library - July 25
- ❖ Sherwood Regional Library - Sept. 19
- ❖ Sherwood Regional Library - Nov. 5

DMV Connect provides all DMV transactions except vital records and testing. The hours of operation at the Hollin Hall Senior Center are from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Sherwood Regional Library in the Conference Room.

- ❖ Hollin Hall Senior Center - April 29-30
- ❖ Hollin Hall Senior Center - May 28
- ❖ Hollin Hall Senior Center - June 24-25
- ❖ Sherwood Regional Library - June 26
- ❖ Hollin Hall Senior Center - July 29-30
- ❖ Hollin Hall Senior Center - Aug. 26-27
- ❖ Sherwood Regional Library - Aug. 28
- ❖ Hollin Hall Senior Center - Sept. 23-24

- ❖ Hollin Hall Senior Center - Oct. 28-29
- ❖ Sherwood Regional Library - Oct. 30
- ❖ Hollin Hall Senior Center - Nov. 25-26
- ❖ Sherwood Regional Library - Dec. 18
- ❖ Hollin Hall Senior Center - Dec. 30

Below are the services provided by the mobile offices. The vital records and testing services are only available at the DMV2Go location at Sherwood Hall Library.

- ❖ Apply for or renew your ID card - available for adults and children.
- ❖ Apply for or renew your driver's license - take road and knowledge tests; get your picture taken. Reinstate driving privileges. This can be done in

conjunction with applying for a new Real ID, which will allow for compliance with new federal regulations for domestic air travel.

- ❖ Apply for a Veteran ID card.
- ❖ Get a copy of your driving record.
- ❖ Obtain vehicle titles, license plates, decals, transcripts.
- ❖ Order disabled parking placards or plates.
- ❖ Apply for certified copies of Virginia vital records, including birth, death, marriage, and divorce certificates.
- ❖ Get fishing and hunting licenses.
- ❖ Update your mailing address, voter registration address, and organ donor status.
- ❖ Request a Personal Identification Number (PIN)/password to set up an online myDMV account.
- ❖ Purchase an E-ZPass transponder.

It is an honor and pleasure to serve you as Delegate. Please do not hesitate to contact me at paul@paulkrizek.com for any questions and concerns related to these services or any other issues.

Redirecting Recycling Stream for Glass

The City of Alexandria, Fairfax County, Arlington County, and Prince William County have announced a new strategic partnership to improve glass recovery and recycling. These jurisdictions have committed to collecting glass via purple glass-only drop-off containers. The glass will then be transported to a Fairfax County processing plant, where it will be recycled into a variety of products.

In Northern Virginia, glass collected in curbside recycling bins is sent to recycling facilities where it eventually ends up in landfills. During transportation to the facility, glass is broken and becomes mixed with recycling residue (such as small bits of plastic and paper)

during the sorting process. This recycling contamination, along with rising recycling costs and lack of a market for single-stream processed glass has made glass unrecoverable across the area.

The new glass-only drop-off containers address this issue by diverting glass recyclables to a specialized plant for responsible recycling.

In Alexandria, glass-only purple drop-off bins have been placed at the city's four recycling drop-off centers, which are open 24 hours a day. The city continues to accept glass as part of its curbside collection.

In Fairfax County, residents and businesses are encouraged to bring glass to purple drop-off centers at



Separate recycling container for glass.

the I-66 transfer station and I-95 landfill complex. Arlington County's two Recycling Drop-off Centers, located at Quincy Park

and the Trades Center, now feature glass-only containers for residents and small business owners operating in Arlington.





PHOTOS BY MIKE JONES

Easter Sunrise Service

The Rotary Club of Mount Vernon sponsored its 38th Easter Sunrise Service at Historic Mount Vernon on Sunday, April 21. Providing the Easter message was Deacon Justin W. Nick who is currently in his final year at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington D.C. where he specializes in African American Church Studies.



Attendees gathered for the service at 7 a.m. The musicians, musical equipment and sound system were arranged by Pastor Johnnie Abram and Velvet Abram of Harvest Assembly Baptist Church. Flowers were donated by the Rotary Club of Mount Vernon. Usher services were provided by Boy Scout Troop 993 of Wesley United Methodist Church.



Reginald A. Anderson, Jr., minister of music, arts and worship from Harvest Baptist Church on Fordson Road, provided music for the service.

CRIME REPORT

The following incidents were reported by the Mount Vernon District Police Station.

ROBBERY: 6800 block of Richmond Highway, April 23, 12:53 a.m. The victim met two men and got into their car. The men drove him to a parking lot where they hit him and pointed a knife at him. The men took his money and identification and drove away. The car was described as an older light-colored, four-door model.

COMMERCIAL ROBBERY: 6800 Richmond Highway (Giant), April

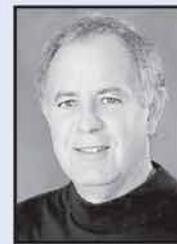
19, 2:46 p.m. A man entered the Giant and began concealing property in a backpack. Loss prevention attempted to stop the man when he brandished a knife. Officers found a 28-year-old man from Woodbridge attempting to leave and placed him under arrest. He was charged with robbery.

COMMERCIAL ROBBERY: 8226 Russell Road (7-11), April 19, 3:02 a.m. A man and woman entered the store grabbed an employee and demanded cash. Officers found a man in the area; surveillance footage confirmed him as

the offender. He was arrested and charged with robbery. The female is described as white, 20-years-old, 5'4", 130-140 lbs. .

APRIL 23 LARCENIES
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Sharing Wisdom of Positive Aging

Positive Aging and Wellness Fair draws crowd for education, information – and fun.

BY ANDREA WORKER
THE GAZETTE

The 2019 Northern Virginia Positive Aging and Wellness Fair on April 8, powered by the Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia (JCCNV) and Celebrate Fairfax, Inc., has grown over the years, requiring more and more space to spread its wings.

This year, for its ninth edition and for the first time, the event was held at the Fairfax County Government Center at 12000 Government Center Parkway in Fairfax. Some 600 registered fair attendees, 75 exhibitors, with more than 20 workshops in session, along with the staff, volunteers, facilitators and sponsors created an air of organized chaos as they mingled with the regular business of the county at work. Before the actual event-day, the event's website apologetically announced that walk-ins were no longer being accepted, such was the response received.

Pam Wiener, director of Adult Services at event co-host JCCNV, officially opened the fair and was followed by opening remarks from Supervisor Pat Herrity (R-Springfield), who chairs the county's 50+ Committee. Tisha Deeghan, deputy executive director, Fairfax County, also took a brief turn at the podium before handing things over to the keynote speaker Pat Collins, the long-time general assignment reporter for News4.

"I'm one of you. I'm 72. I belong here," said Collins, as he stood to address the packed theatre with his signature "snow stick" in hand.

For the next hour, Collins kept his audience enthralled – when they weren't laughing at his descriptions of "coming up in the old days," trained by "grizzled old men with typewriters – and no degrees."

The Emmy award-winning Collins ranged

far and wide in his remarks, from his own history and how he "accidentally became a reporter at age 15, to stories across the timeline of his career. Starting as a print journalist with the Washington Daily News, then the Washington Star, his first foray into television news reporting didn't go quite as expected.

"On my first day, first thing in the morning, they told me I wouldn't actually go on air until I was ready, and until they thought I was ready," recalled Collins. "Guess when I did my first on-air broadcast? You guessed it! On the 5 p.m. news that same day!"

After stints at WJLA and WDVM (Now WUSA-TV) in D.C. and WLS-TV in Chicago, Collins found his home at News4 in 1986.

The veteran newsman says he has the best gig these days. "I can cover everything from murders to snow storms," all while working just three days a week.

While he may now have transitioned to "part-timer," Collins insists he's "not done, yet" saying that older adults have a lot still to offer in experience and life lessons learned that they can share.

"And what else can we older adults do? What other power do we hold? That's right, we vote," he noted to enthusiastic applause. "So keep going, keep active, use your knowledge and your skills. We have plenty left to do."

THE WORKSHOPS were held in three sessions, with topics like "Better Brain Healthy: Save Your Memory and Your Mind," "The Street Smart Senior: How to Avoid Getting Scammed," "Reaching Your Financial Goals," "Finding a Meaningful Encore Career," "Looking for a Meaningful Volunteer Experience," and "Gadgets and Gizmos for Your Health and Happiness."

The teachers were experts in their fields. Among them were Patricia Rohrer, Long



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Keynote speaker and local News4 reporter Pat Collins with Pam Wiener, director of Adult Services for the Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia (left) and Nancy Weinstein (right), also with the JCCNV.

Term Care Program manager with the county's Health Department; Carrie Brill, caregiver specialist and management analyst, Fairfax County Area Agency on Aging; Cathy Turner, director of Senior Health at Virginia Hospital Center; Cherie Lejeune, Age+Tech innovator, and a staff member from the Office of the Attorney General.

More experts manned the exhibitor booths.

There were representatives from numerous home care resources and senior living communities, and other sponsors displaying medical and health-related offerings,

and other businesses that provide services and products aimed at making the life of older adults easier and more comfortable, help residents age in place, and keep up with today's technologies.

Rebuilding Together Arlington/Fairfax/Falls Church was just one of those offering much-needed assistance. The nonprofit uses expert volunteers to make critical home repairs or construct disability and/or accessibility improvements at no cost for qualified homeowners on a limited income.

Allegra Joffe, who represented PRS CrisisLink's CareRing Program, was on duty, introducing visitors to the program that provides daily phone calls to help those individuals living alone or disabled or with chronic illness.

"It's a great free service," said Joffe. Clients are provided with screening upon intake and periodically during their time with the program, "so we can better know them and best serve them," Joffe added.

CareRing provides a daily friendly chat, but also can assist clients with reminders about medications or appointments, checking on general well-being, and helping ensure that clients are eating regularly.

Among the booths that lined much of the lower level of Government Center, there were some opportunities for job and volunteer-seekers, like the Fairfax County Auxiliary Police Officer program, there to hunt for a few new "rookies" to join their ranks.

The Grandinvolve organization was also on hand, hoping to entice a volunteer or two into sharing skills, hobbies, interests and talents with elementary school children.

THE LIST of services, products, and potential opportunities goes on. Check out the

SEE POSITIVE AGING, PAGE 7



More than 20 workshops and panel discussions at the Positive Aging and Wellness Fair addressed topics from memory care to avoiding scammers.



The 2019 Northern Virginia Positive Aging and Wellness Fair drew some 600 registered attendees to the event that packed the Fairfax County Government Center.

Senior Living



PHOTO BY ANDREA WÖRKER/THE GAZETTE

Auxiliary Police Officers, from left, Nina Aldrich, Fred Sanborn, and Ashley Soloff, were at the NoVa Positive Aging and Wellness Fair looking for recruits. Here they are speaking with Burke resident Dorothy Keenan, leader of the nonprofit “GrandInvolve.”

Positive Aging

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county’s website www.fairfaxcounty.gov/OlderAdults. While there, subscribe to the monthly Golden Gazette for information and a calendar of events. There is a phone

number to help callers navigate to the information or services being sought.

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ENTERTAINMENT

LTA Delivers 'The Savannah Disputation'

Evangelist comes knocking to save souls in this Southern comedy.

BY STEVE HIBBARD

The Little Theatre of Alexandria (LTA) is presenting "The Savannah Disputation" from April 27 to May 18. Written by Evan Smith, the subject is damnation, but the show is as light and sweet as the iced tea served by the odd-couple sisters in their proper Southern home. But the sisters quickly lose their Southern charm when a young door-to-door evangelist comes knocking to save their souls. This theological comedy with a twist blends the sharpness of wit with the depth of character while telling a story of a crisis of faith.

As a director, Will Jarred said he found the subject matter compelling. "I have always been intrigued by the ways in which various denominations 'weaponize' the Bible toward their agenda and points of view. I like the way in which the subject matter was treated with humor and humanity. I also appreciated the opportunity to direct a show that featured strong senior women — not too many roles out there for that demographic," he said.

He said the biggest challenge is hopping into a creative project with a relatively unknown play and a new production team. "Will people come out to see a show they may not be familiar with? Will the subject matter be a turnoff? What can I expect in terms of talent and expertise to pull it all off? The staff and volunteers at LTA have been terrific partners in bringing this show to life, and I've been thrilled to work with such talented cast, crew and production team," he added.

Added co-producer Lynn O'Connell: "I find this short, sweet comedy a perfect evening's escape from today's real world of government shutdowns, political sex (and other) scandals, and computer glitches such as the one that 'likely' started the fire at



Patricia Smith, Mary Jo Morgan and Ashley Amidon star in LTA's production of "The Savannah Disputation."

PHOTO BY KYLE REARDON

Notre Dame.

While the theme of the play seems to be religion, it really isn't. The theme is community and the importance of belonging and not being alone. And, at the end of this show, audience members will feel warmth and empathy for all four of the show's characters — Mary, Margaret, Melissa and Father Murphy. Besides, who doesn't love a show that is only 90 minutes long — and set in the beauty of Savannah, Georgia?" she said. The other co-producer is Kevin O'Dowd.

O'Connell said what she was trying to accomplish was: "Really an evening of relaxation and laughter with a subtle message, demonstrating that all of us are valued members of our community regardless of our religion, our marital status, or our individual personality quirks."

Patricia Smith plays the role of Margaret,

a sweet, friendly older woman who is facing some challenges in her life. "She spends most of her time at home and is eager to make new friends. She is also curious about what lies ahead. She has had difficulties in her life that she carries within her. She doesn't share her troubles with others, but tries to manage them by herself. She is mainly easy going, but can be stubborn when something is important to her," she said.

She added: "The main challenges were keeping Margaret 'real,' and showing her many facets.

This character is very reactive to the others. It is even more important than usual to always be in the moment."

Mary Jo Morgan plays the role of Mary, whose life has been hard and who does not fail to make sure everyone experiences her pain. "Mary knows a little kindness goes a

long way but a little meanness goes a lot further — and she is determined to make it go as far as she can. With the freedom that elderly Southern women demand, Mary does not hold back her feelings but her rigidity gets questioned and her vulnerability exposed," she said.

"We see the essence of Mary is loneliness. But then that is also the essence of Margaret, Melissa and Father Murphy and maybe everyone. Funny, maybe everyone is trying to connect in some way — through religion, theatre, sports, literature, art, science, education, business; maybe everything is really just about connection," she said.

Ashley Amidon is playing the role of Melissa, a young(ish) evangelical who goes door to door. "She's not perfect, but she truly believes what she says; it's her rare sort of earnestness that initially attracted me to the character honestly. She is so passionate and so grounded in her belief of what is right and wrong that even when I disagree with what she says, I recognize the place it comes from," she said.

She added: "It is very much a show about belief: what we believe, how we hold on to it or don't, and how we react when others challenge what we think. It's fascinating, but I will admit I struggled with some of the dialogue initially because my character is so very rooted in what she thinks, and finds it hard to see any other side. I'm a lobbyist by day, and I am literally paid to see all sides to an issue and try to find a compromise, so this very right or wrong with no middle ground dichotomy Melissa employs was hard for me."

The Little Theatre of Alexandria (LTA) is presenting "The Savannah Disputation" from April 27 to May 18. Show times are Wednesdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m.; Sundays at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$21 to \$24. The venue is located at 600 Wolfe St., Alexandria. Visit www.thelittletheatre.com.

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Submit entertainment announcements at www.connectionnewspapers.com/Calendar/. The deadline is noon on Friday. Photos/artwork encouraged.

ONGOING

Art Exhibit: "(No) Comfort Zone."

Through April 28, gallery hours at Del Ray Artisans Gallery, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. The "(No) Comfort Zone" exhibit reflects people, places and things that are in and/or out of their comfort zone. Visit DelRayArtisans.org/exhibits.

Architecture Week. Through April 28, enjoy exclusive tours of recently completed buildings, participate in sketching and virtual reality workshops, visit an architecture school, see an exhibit of award-winning buildings designed by local architects, tour architecturally significant historic churches with expert architects, and build a 'Scrap City' or participate in an architectural scavenger hunt. Visit www.aianova.org for more.

Photography Exhibit: "Ranch

Life." Through May 5, daily 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Thursdays, 2-8 p.m. at Multiple Exposures Gallery, The Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N Union St., Studio 312. Sandy LeBrun-Evans visited Eaton's Ranch in Wyoming last year and was enamored with the lifestyle and how easy it was to forget the troubles of the world and to get lost in the past. Visit www.multipleexposuresgallery.com or call 703-683-2205.

Art Exhibit: "Bugs. Or Kafka on Prozac."

Through May 5, gallery hours at The Art League, 105 North Union St., Studio 21 in the Torpedo Factory Art Center. Megan Partridge's "Bugs. Or Kafka on Prozac" takes a closer look at these tiny creatures that are often overlooked. The artist imparts each arthropod with a personality as distinct as their biology, from the bedraggled bug aptly named Hangover Cricket to the speeding blur in Super Bee. Exhibitions are free and open to the

public. Visit www.theartleague.org or call 703-683-1780.

Juried Show: "East Meets West."

Through May 19, gallery hours at Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery, Torpedo Factory Art Center, Studio 29, 105 North Union St. Ikat weaving, Batik, Sashiko embroidery, Shibori dyeing, hand stamping, and other Eastern techniques and clothing styles are integrated with Western designs and techniques. Themed work will be eligible for recognition by the jurors. Non-themed work will also be exhibited. Free admission. Call 703-548-0935 or visit www.Potomacfiberartsgallery.com for more.

Kathryn Coneway Exhibit.

Through May 31, at Huntley Meadows Visitor's Center, 3701 Lockheed Blvd., Alexandria. Coneway's mixed-media art combines collage and photographic transfers, and it expresses her observations of nature. She uses mulberry paper to create a ground of color and texture. A reception will be held Sunday, March

10 from 2-4 p.m. Students from Kathryn Coneway's winter class at Huntley Meadows will also display work. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/huntley-meadows.

Living Legends of Alexandria:

African American Activists. Through July, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Alexandria Black History Museum, 902 Wythe St. Living Legends of Alexandria: African American Activists highlights the work of African American men and women who have made important contributions to the growth and productivity of the City of Alexandria. Call 703-746-4356 for more.

FRIDAY/APRIL 26

Family Splash Night. 6-9 p.m. At Chinquapin Park Rec Center and Aquatics Facility, 3210 King St., Alexandria. Featuring John Adams and Patrick Henry Schools schools. Enjoy swimming, a floating obstacle course, games, relays, refreshments,

music, diving for prizes and more. Different schools are featured at each event but all are welcome. Admission is \$4 per person upon entry. Visit www.alexandriava.gov/Recreation for more.

Play: "Yet I Stand."

7 p.m., at the Lee Center, Kauffman Auditorium, 1108 Jefferson St. The City's Sexual Assault Center (SAC) is sponsoring displays, exhibits, workshops and events around the community to raise awareness of sexual assault and support survivors. "Yet I Stand," is a presented in partnership with Friends of Guest House, the City of Alexandria Domestic Violence Program, and SAC. For more information and a full list of events and activities, visit alexandriava.gov/SexualViolence.

Poetry Slam.

7 p.m. at the Durant Arts Center, 1605 Cameron St. The City of Alexandria appointed KaNikki Jakarta as the City's new Poet Laureate. As one of her first official duties, Jakarta will lead a free poetry slam, A Friendly Game of Slam. She

ENTERTAINMENT

3 Places for Packing a Picnic

BY HOPE NELSON

Finally, winter's cold weather seems to be in the rearview mirror. And with the likes of new public art along Old Town's waterfront, outdoor movie nights and plenty of lazy Saturdays just waiting to be enjoyed, there's no better way to celebrate than a picnic. But sometimes life gets in the way of making a homemade feast from scratch. Count on these eateries to pick up your slack.

Noodle Box, 602 King St.

The fast-casual purveyor of Asian fare on King Street is the perfect place to go for picnic supplies.

APPETITE Pick your entree, pick your protein, choose a side or two and you're in business. Noodle Box has an extensive menu of, yes, noodle dishes — ranging from pad Thai to kung pao to drunken noodles and more — but the restaurant also offers up a hearty supply of rice-based meals, as well. The green curry rice box, the fried rice, the garden stir fry — all of these and more can be customized with the protein of your choice. Add on an order of gyoza or spring rolls and head out to the park — you'll have one of the best picnic baskets around.

Lori's Table, 1028 King St.

This little café in the heart of Old Town has the first two meals of your day covered. Pick up a breakfast sandwich atop an English muffin with egg,

cheese, and ham or bacon if you like, order a coffee to go alongside, and head out to the Saturday soccer game. Or choose from an extensive array of more lunch-friendly sandwiches to pep up your afternoon. Choose from among nearly a dozen meats and cheeses to put together a sandwich that will make all your picnic dreams come true. Or order up a grilled sandwich, ranging from a three-cheese Panini to a grilled PBJ to a Cajun chicken sandwich.

Zento, 693 N. Washington St.

When it comes right down to it, sushi is the perfect picnic food. Think about it: It comes in a form that is easy to eat with chopsticks or one hand; it packs a nutritional punch; and it's portable. And Zento offers a vast menu of sushi options for nearly every palate.

Want to go spicy? The Fire Dragon Roll, with crunchy spicy tuna with avocado, eel and a spicy sauce, is a safe bet. Or keep it local with the Old Town Roll, filled with salmon, tuna, masago and avocado wrapped in cucumber. Vegetarians won't be left out, either; the tempura-battered sweet potato and avocado roll, a mix of crispy and soft, makes for a great complement to a shiitake mushroom roll. Order some edamame to accompany the main meal and you've got finger food that can't be beat.

Hope Nelson owns and operates the Kitchen Recessionista blog, located at www.kitchenrecessionista.com. Email her any time at hope@kitchenrecessionista.com.

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will be joined by her predecessor, Wendy Kaplan, and the winning poets of the 2019 DASHing Words in Motion who will have their poems displayed inside the DASH buses and Trolleys in April and May. Call 703-746-5565 or poet@alexandriava.gov.

SATURDAY/APRIL 27

Garden Day Craft Sale. 8 a.m.-4 p.m. at Carlyle House, 121 N. Fairfax St. Stop by historic Carlyle House during Alexandria Garden Day to tour the museum and purchase crafts by local artisans. Visit www.carlylehouse.org or call 703-549-2997.

Project Discovery Walkathon. 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m. At Fort Ward Park, 4301 W. Braddock Road, Alexandria. Come join the fun at the 23rd annual Project Discovery Walkathon. Based at T.C. Williams High School and the Minnie Howard 9th Grade Center, Project Discovery prepares and motivates low-income and first generation college-eligible students to access opportunities in higher education. This Walkathon is the spring fundraiser and all proceeds go to the program. Free. Visit alexandriava.gov/ProjectDiscovery.

Native Plant Sale. 9 a.m.-2 p.m. in the parking lot at 1701 N. Quaker Lane. Plant sale hosts 10 vendors from three states selling native perennials, shrubs, and trees for sun or shade. Free admission. Call 571-232-0375 or visit www.NorthernAlexandriaNativePlantSale.org.

Watercolor Workshop – Color Theory. 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. (16-Adult) Understanding color is essential to creating work that captivates the eye and evokes certain moods or emotions. Through a series of exercises lead by artist Dawn Flores, learn to understand tints, shades and tones, the color wheel, complementary colors, warm and cool colors and color schemes. Make useful charts

and swatches that can be used for future reference. \$93/person. Register online at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/parktakes/ using code F91.8B8F or call 703-642-5173.

Hamilton's BFF & Frenemies

Specialty Tour. 10-11 a.m. at Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 North Royal St. Inspired by the musical Hamilton, hear about Washington, Lafayette, Jefferson, Madison, and Burr, who all came to the tavern, and delve into the issues they faced and how their choices impacted local citizens. This specialty tour is offered every Saturday in April. \$15 per person, \$12 for museum members. Call 703-746-4242 or visit www.alexandriava.gov/shop for tickets.

Becoming American. 10 a.m.-noon Alexandria's History Museum at the Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. Carefully curated, Becoming American is a selection of documentaries representing a selection of diverse immigration experiences drawn from both the past and present. Each of the sessions is moderated followed by discussion after the viewing. Light refreshments will be available. This program is designed for adults, high school students may attend with an adult. Free, pre-registration is required at shop.alexandriava.gov.

Community Pet Fair. 10 a.m.-noon in front of the Ruby Tucker Family Center at 322 Tancil Court. The Animal Welfare League of Alexandria (AWLA) will hold a free Pet Care Fair, offering rabies and other vaccinations and other services at no cost for pets in Alexandria's underserved communities. Residents can also take advantage of basic grooming and nail trims, pet food, behavioral advice and more. Dogs must be on leash, and cats must be transported in carriers. Visit alexandrianimals.org for more.

Earth Day Celebration. 10 a.m.-2

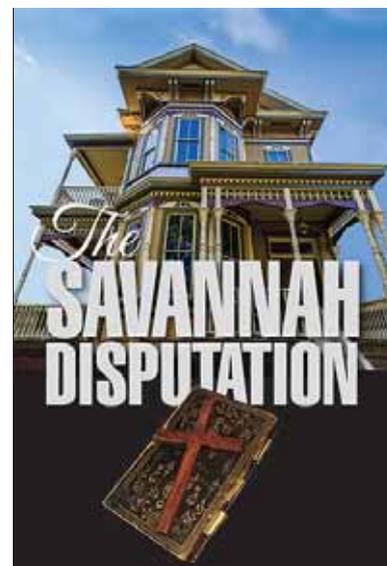
p.m. at the Lenny Harris Memorial Fields at Braddock Park, 1005 Mount Vernon Ave. The City of Alexandria will host the 26th Annual Alexandria Earth Day and Arbor Day celebration. This family-friendly event includes the ninth annual Upcycling Showcase, where students from Alexandria City Public Schools will present unique fashion items and other upcycling creations based on the event theme, "Climate Change – Take Action." Admission is free, and food and beverages will be available for purchase. Visit alexandriava.gov/EarthDay or call 703-746-5592.

Bus Tour: "From Slavery to Freedom."

10 a.m.-4 p.m. at George Washington's Mount Vernon. This special bus tour begins at Mount Vernon with an exclusive viewing of Mount Vernon's Lives Bound Together exhibition, on slavery at George Washington's plantation. Afterward, visitors will walk to Mount Vernon's Slave Cemetery for a site talk by archeologists, followed by a lunchtime lecture (box lunch provided). Guests will board a bus to Alexandria and visit Freedom House Museum, then on to Alexandria's Contraband and Freedmen Cemetery Memorial. The tour will conclude at Mount Vernon at 4 p.m. The tour will go rain or shine and has extended periods of walking over uneven terrain. \$40. Get tickets at shop.alexandriava.gov/.

Celebrate Historic Garden Week.

10 a.m.-4 p.m. Five of Old Town Alexandria's finest private homes and gardens will open to the public, as part of Historic Garden Week in Virginia, the oldest and largest house and garden tour in the nation. This walking tour features private townhomes and secluded gardens located along the tree lined streets of Alexandria's historic district, refreshments and a marketplace at the Athenaeum, and is just steps away from Old Town's fine dining and boutique shopping. \$45 in



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Pipeline Playwrights Holds New Reading

“The Whole is Greater” play reading on Monday, April 29 at MetroStage.

BY STEVE HIBBARD

The next play reading of Pipeline Playwrights’ Winter/Spring 2019 Reading Series will be “The Whole Is Greater” by Ann Timmons. The staged reading will be held on Monday, April 29, at 7:30 p.m., at MetroStage in Alexandria.

According to Timmons: “‘The Whole is Greater’ is a comedy about what happens among a group of disparate characters when their lives unexpectedly intertwine.”

It stars Carmen, the motivational superstar; Marguerite, the cynical, recently unemployed professor; Shelly, the wily Dollar Store cashier; and Frances, the corrupt City Council chair; who all come together in Carlyle, Va.

“They all try desperately (and somewhat hilariously) to hold onto their carefully crafted identities. The play shatters many of their illusions, and illustrates what can happen when the lies we tell ourselves — and others — catch up to us,” said Timmons.

As far as challenges, she said it has a fairly complicated plot structure, so she didn’t want to overwrite, but also didn’t want the



Ann Timmons

audience to get confused. “And I wanted to leave some room for my director and actors to make some creative choices, so I kept finding myself editing, cutting, re-editing, and so on.

I had written an earlier version of this play that was read at Page to Stage at The Kennedy Center in 2015, and after that I eliminated a major character and one whole plot arc. Which was hard! They call it ‘killing your little darlings,’ and it sure felt like

I had stamped out something very precious to me,” she said.

She added: “If people are encouraged by this play to take risks, or look a bit more closely at how they move through life, I would be happy. Oh, and if they remember a funny line or moment from the play that made them laugh, that’d be great too.”

Directed by Catherine Tripp, the play stars Barbara Pinolini as Marguerite Navarre; Caren Anton as Shelly Lauerman; Diane Coope Gould as Carmen; Marni Penning as Frances Furst; and Stephen Strosnider as Kevin McSweeney.

Pipeline Playwrights is a group of women playwrights based in Northern Virginia who have decided to work together to support each other’s work and get women’s voices into theatre.

The group’s other members are Jean Koppen, Crystal Adaway, Patricia Connelly, and Nicole Burton.

Pipeline Playwrights will present a reading of “The Whole is Greater” on Monday, April 29, at 7:30 p.m., at MetroStage, located at 1201 North Royal St., Alexandria. The show is free, with a suggested \$10 donation. Stay for the post-performance dis-



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“The Whole is Greater” at MetroStage.

cussion and reception with the cast, Ann Timmons, and all the Pipeline Playwrights. Visit them on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pipelineplaywrights/>.

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advance at www.vagardenweek.org or at the Alexandria Visitor Center at Ramsay House (221 King St.). On the date of the tour, \$55 at the Athenaeum (201 Prince St.) and at the Old Presbyterian Meeting House (323 South Fairfax St.). Tickets will not be sold at individual tour homes.

Spring Open House. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at EMMAvet Veterinary Urgent Care, 1628A Belle View Blvd. EMMAvet and the Belle View Shopping Center welcome the community to their Spring Open House for a clinic tour, raffle prizes, food from Primo, and exclusive deals from many of Belle View Shopping Center neighbors. Well-behaved and leashed dogs are welcome. Free. Call 703-373-3774 or visit emnavet.com for more.

City Nature Challenge 2019. 1-3 p.m. at Simpson Park Gardens, 420 E. Monroe St. An Extension Master Gardener will lead an event for the City Nature Challenge taking place April 26-29. In the challenge cities around the globe compete to see who can find the most species of plants, animals, reptiles, and fungi, and who can engage the most people. Download the iNaturalist app (www.inaturalist.org/) and join the fun. Arlington Regional Master Naturalists will also lead events during the four-day challenge at a number of area parks. For those event times, check armn.org/volunteer-opportunities/. Look for the City Nature Challenge 2019 signs. Open to all ages. Free. Questions? Contact Extension Master Gardeners at telephone 703-228-6414 or email mgarlalex@gmail.com.

Spring Benefit Concert: “Kindred Spirits.” 3 p.m. at Convergence, 1801 N. Quaker Lane. Celebrate connections, including friendship, kinship, sisterhood, and even frenemies. This event will feature Sopranessence’s arrangements of music from popular operas & operettas such as Hansel and Gretel, The Mikado and Mozart’s Così fan

Tutte; audience-favorite musicals like Miss Saigon, Cinderella, Wicked, and more. Proceeds support St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. Through Friday, April 26: \$20; \$10, ages 12 & under. All tickets \$25 at the door. Visit ourconvergence.org for more.

Live Music: Cleve Francis. 7:30-10:15 p.m. at The Birchmere, 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave. A blend of many musical styles, from country, to blues and jazz. Enjoy Cleve Francis for an evening of musical storytelling. \$35. Call 703-549-7500 or visit www.birchmere.com.

SUNDAY/APRIL 28

Britain on the Green. 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. at Gunston Hall, 10709 Gunston Road, Lorton. The 22nd Britain on the Green show will feature two hundred British cars and motorcycles, music, food trucks, youth activities, and admission to Gunston Hall and grounds. \$10 adult; \$5 children 6-18. Visit www.capitaltriumphregister.com/bog/ or call 703-522-6571.

Love Your Pet Day Block Party. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Local businesses will host a block party on Roth & Colvin streets in the West End with proceeds benefiting the Animal Welfare

League of Alexandria. The kick-off will be held mid-way along Colvin Street at 11am, hosted by Dr. Katy Nelson. Children and leashed pets welcomed. Free admission. Visit www.alexandrialoveyourpetday.com.

Carpenter’s Cook-Off 2019. Noon-3 p.m. at The Birchmere. During the event, 20 top-rated local restaurants serve samples of their best dishes to guests and compete to win awards. A panel of celebrity judges grants the Best Savory and Best Sweet Awards while attendees of all ages determine the People’s and Kids’ Choice Awards. In addition to sampling dishes, guests can bid on hot ticket items during the live and silent auctions, try their luck at raffles, and listen to live music by the Alpha Dog Blues Band. Visit www.CarpentersShelter.org.

Spring Ballet: Coppelia. 12:30 and 3:30 p.m. at Metropolitan School of the Arts, 5775 Barclay Ave., Alexandria. Coppelia is a charming, humorous ballet of infatuation, deception, and finally a love that prevails. Dance along with Swanhilda and Franz as they find their way to love and “happily ever after.” \$12. Visit www.metropolitanarts.org for more.

Film Screening: “Just Eat It.” 2:30 p.m. at Nannie J. Lee Memorial Recreation Center, 1108 Jefferson St. In honor of Stop Food Waste Day, the City of Alexandria’s Department of Transportation and Environmental Services, Resource Recovery Division, will screen “Just Eat It,” about a couple who dives into the issue of food waste from farm and retail, right to the back of their own fridge, as they pledge to eat only discarded food for six months. Before and after the film, enjoy light refreshments and engage with City staff and community leaders on efforts to fight food waste and create a greener Alexandria for the next generation. RSVP on Facebook at www.facebook.com/events/2169281946459574/permalink/

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APRIL 29-MAY 26

The “Weekends” Kiln Club Show. Gallery hours at Scope Gallery, 105 North Union St., ground floor Studio 19 of the Torpedo Factory Art Center. Artisan creations are as unique as that match made in heaven, ideal as an anniversary gift, engagement congratulations or to commemorate the hoopla of getting hitched. Capture a moment in clay, recall a scene with ceramics and upgrade important goings-on with Scope Gallery. Call 703-548-6288 or visit www.scopegallery.org for more.

TUESDAY/APRIL 30

Rare 1792 Gold Coin on Display. In the Donald W. Reynolds Education Center, at George Washington’s Mount Vernon. On the 230th anniversary of George Washington’s first inauguration, visitors will have the opportunity to view the 1792 Washington President gold eagle pattern coin, the earliest gold pattern proposed for U.S. coinage and the only gold coin with this design. This unique piece, on loan indefinitely from a private owner, will remain on view as part of Mount Vernon’s educational experience for its more than 1 million annual visitors. Visit mountvernon.org/1792coin.

Twilight & Tipple Tours. 6-9 p.m. at Pope-Leighey House, 9000 Richmond Highway. Experience Frank Lloyd Wright’s Pope-Leighey House by twilight. This tour series is a rare chance to see one of Wright’s houses illuminated against a night sky. Grab a drink, included in the price of the tour ticket, and walk through the house on a leisurely, open house style tour with plenty of time to take stunning photos. \$35. Visit www.woodlawnpopeleighey.org/ for more.

Science, Pseudoscience, Magic,



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Attendees at the 2018 block party celebrating their love for their pets.

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(No) Comfort Zone image, Scribble Scramble by Kelli Sinco

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and Humbug. 7-9 p.m. at Alexandria's History Museum at the Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. Learn about some of the fascinating programs and performances from The Lyceum's first 20 years. Science was a popular topic for lectures, demonstrations, and exhibits at Lyceum Hall, as it was known in the 1840s and 50s – some of them featuring legitimate academic programs and others featuring the latest pseudoscience crazes of the day. Jim Holloway, facilities coordinator at the Alexandria History Museum at The Lyceum shares his research on the wide variety of science-based entertainments enjoyed by Alexandrians in the two decades

before the Civil War. \$10. Tickets at shop.alexandriava.gov.

THURSDAY-SATURDAY/MAY 2-4

Sailing on String. Thursday-Friday, 10:30 a.m.; Saturday, 10 and 11:30 a.m. at The Lab at Convergence, 1819 N. Quaker Lane. Arts on the Horizon produces original work exclusively for children ages 0-6 and their families. Follow two curious explorers on a voyage into a world made of string. This gentle, engaging performance features object transformation, movement, live string music, and captivating design. Best for children ages 0-2 and their families. Sign interpreted performance May 11, 10 a.m. \$7.

Visit www.ArtsOnTheHorizon.org or call 571-549-1270.

FRIDAY/MAY 3

Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony. 10 a.m. Old Town Safeway, 500 S. Royal St. Safeway will unveil renovations to its Old Town store. The celebration will include live music from the New Line Brass Band, refreshments and free gifts. As part of the ribbon-cutting celebration, Safeway will present donations to two local community organizations: The Campagna Center and ALIVE!

UCM Give From the Heart Gala. 6 p.m. at Belle Haven Country Club, 6023 Fort Hunt Road. Hosted by The Friends of UCM, the 2019 Gala is also part of UCM's 50th Anniversary Celebration. The theme for the yearlong celebration is "50 Years of Neighbors Helping Neighbors." Honorary Co-Chairs are U.S. Sen. Mark Warner (D-VA) and Mrs. Addy Krizek, both former UCM Board members. \$200. RSVP at www.ucmagency.org.

MVHS Theatre Arts Alumni Night. 6:15 p.m. (reception); 7 p.m. performance. The MVHS Theatre Arts Alumni night will feature the MVHS Theatre scrapbook and honor all Mount Vernon alumni in their first annual MVHS Theatre Arts Alumni Night during the spring musical production of Cinderella. \$5-\$10. Purchase tickets online (www.itickets.com/events/402293.html) or at the door.

Symphony of Frogs. 7:30-9 p.m. at Huntley Meadows Park, 3701 Lockheed Blvd. Join a naturalist for an indoor discussion and a guided walk to listen for serenading frogs and toads. Learn the calls of a bullfrog, southern leopard frog, green frog, tree frog, American toad and more. The weather and time of season will affect what frogs will be calling. Adults. \$8. Call 703-768-2525 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/huntley-meadows.



Focus Music

Acoustic Eidolon is Joe Scott and Hannah Alkire. Their music is a combination of Celtic, classical and contemporary folk. This show will be a benefit for Holly's Hands Southern Animal Charity (www.hollyshandscharity.org). Saturday, May 4, 7 p.m. at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Road. Tickets are \$18 in advance at www.focusmusic.org/buy-tickets and for members, \$20 at the door.

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Changing the Culture Around Mental Illness

Sheriff speaks at the League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area annual meeting.

BY LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE FAIRFAX AREA

Sheriff Stacey Kincaid was the keynote speaker at the Annual Meeting of the League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area (LWVFA), held on April 6 at The Waterford in Fairfax.

She is the first female sheriff of Fairfax County in its 276-year history and is also one of only six female sheriffs in Virginia. She was first elected in 2013 to fill the balance of a term and was re-elected in 2015. She will be on the ballot again this November. In 2008, as a deputy sheriff, she earned the Distinguished Service Award, which recognizes "a career of sustained exemplary performance."

What does the Sheriff's Office do? It operates the Adult Detention Center (ADC), which has an average daily population of 972; provides Courthouse security; and serves civil law process for the courts. Her office is staffed by 529 sheriff's deputies and 87 civilians.

Changing the culture around mental illness and substance use disorders has been her focus. She works to achieve change by collaborating with partners in county government and the community. She helped spearhead Diversion First, which offers alternatives to incarceration for people with mental illness and co-occurring substance use disorders. She created an addiction treatment and recovery program in the ADC

Officers Elected

In addition to listening to the Sheriff, LWVFA members elected the following officers: Co-President, Nancy Roodberg, Secretary, Lois Page, and the following Directors: At Large, Jessica Storrs, Public Relations, Katharina Gollner-Sweet, Voter Service Coordinator, Cindy Kalkwarf, Voter Service - Voter Registration Coordinator, Bob Meredith, Volunteer Outreach - Judy Helein, and Membership - Carol Bursik. They will serve two-year terms (2019-2021), beginning July 1, 2019. They also elected the Nominating Committee, composed of Chair, Charleen Deasy, and members, Barbara Ewalt and Peggy Knight. They will serve one-term (2019-2020), beginning July 1, 2019.

and she has created a partnership with the courts on new post-arrest diversion programs.

ONE-THIRD OF JAIL INMATES have behavioral health issues. Kincaid emphasizes training to help address these issues. More than 120 of her deputies have taken the 40-hour Crisis Intervention Team training, and all of her staff, sworn and civilian, have to take a Mental Health First Aid course. Such training teaches people how to identify symptoms of mental illness and how to help people experiencing a mental health crisis. Also, with the opening of the Merrifield Crisis Response Center in January 2016, police officers and Sheriff's deputies can divert people experiencing mental health crises to the Merrifield. Bringing someone to jail is no longer the default option. As of Dec. 31, 2018, more than 1,300 people had been diverted from potential arrest.

Trauma is often an underlying cause of addiction. On Nov. 1, 2018, Kincaid launched a pilot program in the ADC - Striving to Achieve Recovery (STAR). Two peer recovery specialists work with inmates to help them achieve recovery from addiction.

Post-arrest diversion programs in the county include a Supervised Release Non-Compliance Docket, Veterans Treatment Docket, Mental Health Docket and Drug Treatment Court. They all aim to provide people with second chances after arrest.

The ADC's priority is to help inmates develop skills, so they can live productively after release. Towards achieving this priority, inmate programs focus on furthering education, improving life skills, increasing employability and building self-confidence. Examples of programs include GED classes and testing; yoga, art and sewing classes; work release opportunities, and the Community Labor Force.

THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE has about 300 volunteers who lead or support many inmate programs. In addition, resource fairs are organized for inmates to obtain infor-

mation that will help them after they are released. LWVFA has participated in these resource fairs for several years.

Fairfax County is not immune to the problem of domestic violence. If aware or know of a person suffering from domestic violence, call the Domestic Violence Hotline at 703-360-7273. Domestic violence is not always physical. It can be financial, emotional, and/or sexual as well.



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From left, the League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area (LWVFA) Co-Presidents Judy Helein and Anu Sahai, With Sheriff Stacey Kincaid.

Owens To Lead Internal Affairs

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Owens led the Planning and Research Bureau at Public Safety Headquarters, which entailed such responsibilities as directing the Department's Diversion First Program, Crisis Intervention Training, and coordinating the Department's community outreach programs, including the Police Leaders of Tomorrow program, which he founded.

Since September of 2017, Owens has served as the commander of the Mount Vernon District Station. While leading the Mount Vernon District Station, Owens continued to serve as a commander on the Department's Crisis Negotiations Team and represents the Police Department on the Fairfax County Alternative

Accountability Program's planning committee.

Owens has completed the International Association of Chiefs of Police - Leadership in Police Organizations course. He obtained a Department of Criminal Justice Services instructor certification and now teaches the Leadership in Police Organizations course to law enforcement agencies around the country as an IACP National Instructor.

He obtained his Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Liberty University, and also graduated from the Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police Professional Executive Leadership School. He is married to his wife of 13 years and they have two children together.

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Scholars Selected for Fellowships

Topics of study range from Washington and the theatre to death and mourning in the American Revolution.

Mount Vernon has selected 20 leading history scholars to receive fully-funded research fellowships at the Fred W. Smith National Library for the Study of George Washington (Washington Library) during the 2019-20 academic year. These fellows will study on site at the Washington Library for up to six months beginning this fall.

Now in its seventh year, the Washington Library's fellowship program has become a sought-after honor for academics researching topics related to George Washington, his life, and the founding era. These awards also provide an opportunity for scholars to work on their research projects, which are reviewed by an independent jury of academics. While in residence, the fellows become a part of the Mount Vernon community. They take part in day-to-day activities at the estate and library. The scholars are called upon to share their findings in formal settings and casual gatherings for staff, other visiting scholars, and special guests.

Research fellowships less than three months provide a stipend of \$3,000 per month, three-month fellowships provide \$10,000, and six-month fellowships provide \$20,000. All awards include onsite housing, as well as round-trip airfare or mileage reimbursement for one trip to and from Mount Vernon. For more information, visit mountvernon.org/researchfellows.

The 2019-20 Mount Vernon Research Fellows include the following scholars, listed with their topic of study:

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Scholarship Application Deadline. Applications are now available for business scholarships provided by Mount Vernon Lee Chamber of Commerce. At least \$12,000 will be awarded to local graduating seniors pursuing further education in

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Label Me Determined



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Like anyone with a name and an address, no doubt over the years, you readers have received unsolicited gifts/inducements in a kind of presumptive exchange for charitable contributions from many organizations with which you are probably familiar. And among the many good deeds they offer are the manufacture and subsequent mailing at no cost or obligation to the recipient, of self-adhesive, return-address labels.

I have, over the years, made a below-average level of contribution despite having maintained an above-average level of use. Still the labels arrive, regularly. And given their accumulation in my home office, I have become ever more determined to not die until I have used every one of those labels. In a manner of speaking/referencing, this pursuit has sort of become my white whale. I'm sure Captain Ahab could relate.

Years ago, around the time of my diagnosis, I was likewise determined, given where I live in Montgomery County, to not die until the Inter County Connector (a long-planned-for, cross-county highway connecting Interstate 270 in Montgomery County to Route 1 in Prince George's County) was completed. I never thought, given my "13 month to two-year" prognosis in 2009, that I'd live to see its completion and to attach its transponder and pay its tolls. But I have.

And though I am not a regular driver on this road, I am nonetheless emotionally connected to it. It's as if we both overcame something.

Which brings me back to the other emotional connection I've mentioned: the return-address labels.

It's not because of the specific charities or the design of the labels or anything in particular (they all tend to blend together after a while), it's that they all have my name and almost always have it spelled correctly, which is not always the case in mail addressed to Lourie. And below that correctly-spelled name, is an equally correct return address.

All combined on a label which doesn't require any licking or stamping or writing. All of which when combined creates a certain functionality which for a non-millennial, baby-boomer like myself who actually mails envelopes rather than types them online, provides an incredibly helpful asset.

And as a cancer patient, any asset that simplifies my life is an asset worth mentioning.

There are many mailers of a certain age who live, almost thrive in a non-paper-free environment. We still write our own checks, hand-address our own envelopes, buy and stick our own stamps and finally go to the Post Office to mail our correspondence.

I can't say whether many of us "balance our checkbooks," but as for myself, I do review the various entries in my check register with my paper statements to confirm their familiarity and accuracy. If this all sounds a bit antiquated to some of you younger readers, some of what you do sounds far-fetched and sort of redundant to me, which probably minimizes your appreciation for something as mundane as a correctly-spelled and properly-addressed return-address label.

I imagine there's a path down the middle somewhere, but it's not important that we all correspond.

But for those of you who do correspond with hard copies instead of computerized soft copies, these return address labels can be a vital cog in the mailing machine. Intended recipients are not always where you thought they were and mail that you thought you had properly addressed stands a better chance of being returned to sender.

A properly-affixed and accurate return address label might not save the sender time or money, but it might do so for the recipient; and let's be honest: who doesn't like to receive mail?

And what's the first thing you look at? The return address. If it were not for the return address, label or otherwise, the reason for its delivery might lose some of its appeal.

For me, living beyond the correspondence on which that final label will be affixed is very appealing. Because considering the number of labels I still have at home, I'm going to be living for a long time. Cancer be damned.

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Scam Jam and ShredFest. 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at Fairfax County Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax. The Silver Shield Task Force and AARP Virginia are hosting a free fraud prevention and shredding event. There will be numerous speakers discussing how to be aware of scams and how to prevent being scammed or defrauded. Scam Jam runs 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; ShredFest runs 8 a.m.-noon.

Spring Clean. 8:30 a.m. Meet at Candlewood Suites, 8847 Richmond Highway. Join the Chamber to Spring Clean Jeff Todd Way and other roads about Fort Belvoir. Receive assignments, garbage bags, snacks and bottled water. Bring work gloves. Visit www.mtvernon-leechamber.org/events/details/highway-cleanup-5433 to register.

Spring Forward. 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. at Colgan Hall, George Mason University Science and Technology Campus, 10900 University Blvd., Manassas. Spring Forward Family Fun Day offers adoptive, foster and kinship families a day of fun and learning about tools and solutions. Found Families Forward is partnering with NewFound Families, the Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS), and VDOE's Training and Technical Assistance Center. Parents, caregivers and professionals will be treated to keynote Family Strong: Five Ways to Fight the Fear, Beat the Burnout, and Stay Focused for the Long Haul by presenter Wendy Besmann. Following the keynote, parents and caregivers choose from a variety of breakout sessions. \$0-\$40. Visit www.eventbrite.com/e/spring-forward-family-fun-day-and-regional-conference-tickets-54145770457 for tickets.

HMES Earth Day. 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at Hollin Meadows Elementary School, 2310 Nordok Place. The Earth Day Celebration and Community Work-Day will return to Hollin Meadows Elementary School after a 2-year hiatus due to full reconstruction of the school. Along with volunteer opportunities for all ages and abilities, there will be food, children's activities, and a student-led bake sale and plant sale. Free. Visit www.hollinmeadowspartnership.com/earthday or call 610-804-6084.

Teen Job Fair and Resume Building Workshop. 10 a.m.-noon at Mount Vernon High School. These events will focus on student job seekers (approximately ages 16-18) looking for full time employment, after-school employment, seasonal positions, internship opportunities, or volunteer experiences. It is open to all teens in Fairfax County looking for employment or wanting tips to build their resume. Visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/springfield/teen-job-fair-student-registration to register.

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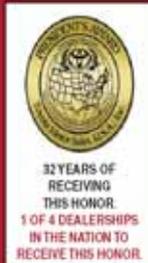
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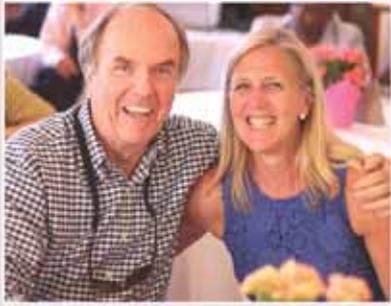
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Just completed: Top to bottom renovation maintains the stunning Antebellum character and charm! Potomac River views, expansive verandas & half acre lot give this home a classic Tidewater Virginia feel. Brand new kitchen, baths, fixtures, flooring, the list goes on and on! Great opportunity for virtually new home in desirable Oxford neighborhood!



**9112 Volunteer Dr
\$655,000**

Spacious Colonial in the Williamsburg tradition featuring premier setting on large level lot in the desirable Westgate community near Mt Vernon Estate. Features include: 4 Bedrooms, 2.5 baths, huge master suite with 2 large closets

and private bath, 2 fireplaces in family and living room, hardwood floors on both levels, two car garage, & incredible sun room overlooking half acre rear grounds complete with two storage sheds.

SOLD!



**2207 Lakeshire Dr
\$945,000**

Curb appeal abounds with distinctive front porch. Exceptionally bright and open floor plan highlighted by updated kitchen opening to spacious family room with soaring cathedral ceiling. Other features include: 4 Bedrooms,

3.5 Baths, main level office/library, upgraded trim detail, and two car garage. Near Stratford Landing School. Unique combination of size, location, & attractive price in premier location!

SOLD!



**3601 Riverwood Rd
\$785,000**

Nicely situated 4 Bed, 2.5 Bath updated home in lovely Riverwood Community. Home features: updated custom Kitchen with granite countertops, stainless steel appliances, beautiful hardwood floors on main and upper level, master suite with private bath and custom closet, replacement windows by Pella, gas fireplace, screened porch, fenced rear yard, and side load 2 car garage. Community has serene riverfront walking path and beachy area!

SOLD!



**8826 Black Alder Dr
\$665,000**

Incredible value for Classic Colonial style on established street adjacent to Mount Vernon Country Club. Many features including: 3 finished levels, 5 Bedrooms including main level master, 3.5 baths, open kitchen to fam room, 2

fireplaces, oversize 2 car garage. Extensive list of recent updates including: Kitchen, roof, master bath, wood floors, powder room, basement bath, interior paint, garage doors, and the list goes on. Turn key opportunity!

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**9402 Mt. Vernon Circle
\$875,000**

Unique property in highly desired Mt. Vernon on The Potomac Neighborhood! Classic 3 level Colonial in prime location just steps from neighborhood private marina. Features inc: Open Floor plan, large room sizes, family room off nicely updated kitchen with stone fireplace, hardwood floors,

elegant trim detail, and true oversize two car garage. Community includes private waterfront grassy area, 2 tennis courts with hitting wall, fire pit, bathrooms, and docks/boat slips (for additional fee).

SOLD



**9416 Old Mt Vernon Rd.
\$789,000**

Incredible opportunity to own a brand new 5 Bed/5.5 Bath home on 4 finished levels! Economical Gas appliances include: fireplace, cook top, heat and hot water. Hardwoods on main level,

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