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Dear Richmond: Here's What's Needed

Medicaid and mental health services cited as key issues.

By EDISON RUSS
THE CONNECTION

Arlington's representatives in the state legislature listened to the public's wishes for priorities to be addressed at the upcoming Virginia General Assembly session during a hearing on Friday, Jan. 4, in the Arlington County Board Room.

Scheduled to run from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., the hearing lasted nearly three hours because of high turnout.

The public spoke about the expansion of Medicaid, stricter gun control laws and increased funding for various mental health services.

The delegation consists of Senators Barbara Favola, Janet Howell and Adam Ebbin, as well as Delegates Alfonso Lopez, Bob Brink, Robert Krupicka and Patrick Hope.

People advocating for mental health services requested that additional waivers be granted to alleviate long waiting lists and for independent living programs for those with intellectual disabilities.

One advocate, Betsy Greer, requested funding for jail diversion programs for adults with mental illness and co-occurring



Legislators listen to members of the public identifying their priorities for the upcoming state legislative session.

substance abuse disorder.

Greer also asked that the proposed amount of \$750,000 for discharge assistance planning for mental health patients would only provide for 15 adults, which she said was "grossly inadequate when you consider there are approximately 160 at any given time on the departments' ready-for-discharge list."

She said that Arlington alone has 12 such patients.

Members of the Arlington Community Service Boards advocated for funding of the Northern Virginia Training Center, scheduled to close in July 2015.

As part of a settlement agreement between the Commonwealth and the Justice Department, any patients still residing in

the NVTC three months prior to its closing would be required to leave. Members of the CSB asked either for the funding to keep the center open, or to delay the closing long enough to properly discharge the residents. According to CSB member Barbara Jones, Virginia already has almost no surplus of beds for most of 185 individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities that need treatment.

Jones also said that the existing waiver reimbursement infrastructure does not cover the cost of care in Northern Virginia.

"The governor's proposal to raise Medicaid waiver rates by 25 percent for high-need individuals is a step in the right direction," Jones said. "However, even a 25 percent increase will not cover the cost of serving those with the highest needs."

Favola said that she saw a renewed energy around gun control at the hearing in wake of the Sandy Hook incident. [See related story, below].

"Nobody ever would have imagined that young children attending school would not have been safe," she said.

Favola said she hoped that there would be enough public pressure to get legislation passed on gun control not just at the General Assembly, but in Congress.

Favola said she is not looking to restrict individual rights; rather, she is concerned with the danger inherent with current options. She cited the loophole that allows people to purchase weapons at gun shows without background checks.

PHOTO BY EDISON RUSS/THE CONNECTION

Taking Aim To Close the Gun Show Loophole

Arlington delegate hopes to register all private firearm transactions.

By MICHAEL LEE POPE
THE CONNECTION

Legislators will be dueling over guns this year at the Capitol, with gun-rights advocates set to oppose efforts to close Virginia's gun-show loophole. Alexandria state Sen. Adam Ebbin (D-30) and Arlington Del. Patrick Hope (D-47) have introduced legislation that would require a background check for every gun purchase. That includes the 40 percent of current gun sales that take place in a private transaction, which do not require any kind of background check to be conducted on the individual purchasing the weapon.

"The current laws are like Swiss cheese," said Hope, who sits on the Militia, Police and Public Safety Committee. "We can't have nearly half of all gun sales in Virginia subject to background check and the other half absent any regulation."

Gun advocates fear that background checks are a slippery slope. Organizations such as the Virginia Citizens Defense League



Ebbin



Hope

argue that increased registration could lead to confiscation, a threat that motivates advocates for gun rights to oppose efforts to increase background checks. In a perfect world, argues League president Phillip Van Cleave, all background checks would be eliminated — regardless of whether the sale is private or not.

"The truth is it's easy to get around a background check. You simply send in somebody with a clean record to do a straw purchase," said Cleave. "I certainly don't want to see

more background checks, and I'd be just as happy with fewer."

THE POLITICS of gun regulation have become much more pitched in recent weeks, after a gunman blasted his way into a Connecticut elementary school and killed 20 children and six adults. Both sides of the gun debate responded by doubling down on its previous position. Those who support gun rights argue that schools should have armed security guards. Those who support increased gun regulation have been arguing for increased screening and background checks. Historically, Virginia has been hostile to efforts to increase gun regulations.

"There's an urban-rural disconnect about gun rights, and that split defines politics in Virginia," said Kyle Kondik, analyst with the University of Virginia Center for Politics. "I just don't see a lot of potential traction for gun control legislation, especially given the makeup of the House of Delegates, which is so overwhelmingly Republican."

That means Northern Virginia Democrats who support increased gun control have a

seemingly intractable goal — persuading conservative members of the General Assembly to change their minds on one of the most emotional issues of the day. Even if they are not successful in session, though, Northern Virginia Democrats can campaign on the issue later this year, when every member of the House of Delegates will be up for reelection.

"I think the tragedy in Newtown will change the politics of all gun bills," said Ebbin. "Whether or not particular ones will pass is hard to determine, but I think we will see a serious consideration of many more gun bills this year."

"The current laws are like Swiss cheese."

— Del. Patrick Hope (D-47)

VIRGINIA HAS STRONG LAWS protecting the right to

carry and use guns, a tradition that dates back to English common-law instituted when the commonwealth was a British colony. The Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence gives Virginia a score of 11 out of 100, describing the commonwealth as having "weak gun laws that help feed the illegal gun market, allow the sale of

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Effort To Close Gun Show Loophole

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guns without background checks and put children at risk." But many Republicans say no change to the law could have prevented the mass shootings that happened.

"Just because you pass a law doesn't mean you're going to stop it. I mean, there's millions and millions and millions of guns in America," said Del. Dave Albo (R-42). "So when somebody wants to pass a law that says no one can have a gun, does any rational person think that would work?"

One issue that comes up again and again each year is the so-called "castle doctrine," sometimes known as "stand-your-ground" legislation, that would protect individuals from being sued if they fatally shoot

an intruder. That hasn't passed, but other measures increasing the availability of guns have been successful. One overturned a longstanding ban against individuals purchasing more than one handgun a month. Another successful bill allows local government employees to bring concealed weapons onto government property. A few days after the Connecticut shooting, Republican Gov. Bob McDonald suggested that policymakers should consider allowing armed guards in schools across Virginia.

"What an absurd idea," responded Arlington state Sen. Barbara Favola (D-31) in a written statement. "We must seize this opportunity to craft reasonable gun violence prevention measures and to help those with mental illnesses. This is the only way to honor the victims of the Sandy Hook Elementary tragedy."

CRIME REPORTS

The Arlington Police Department reported the following incidents:

ARMED ROBBERY, 1900 block of N. Nash Street. At 1:40 a.m. on Dec. 29, two unknown suspects allegedly robbed a male victim at gunpoint. The subjects stole all of the victim's personal items before fleeing the scene on foot. The first subject is described as a black male, approximately 5'11" and 160 lbs. He had shoulder length dread locks with a ski hat on and was wearing a dark colored hooded sweatshirt and jeans. The weapon that he was allegedly carrying is described as a black handgun. The second subject is described as a black female, approximately 5'3" and 130 lbs. She had shoulder length brown hair.

ROBBERY, 700 block of N. Glebe Road. Between 4:53 and 5:15 p.m. on Dec. 30, a juvenile male was allegedly robbed of his iPhone 4 by four males while walking with his friend. The victim reported that one of the subjects displayed a handgun during the robbery. Surveillance footage from nearby restaurants and stores show the subjects following the victims. The suspects were described as being black males in their late teens and wearing dark clothing.

ROBBERY, 1100 block of S. Hayes Street. At 8:07 p.m. on Dec. 29, three male subjects surrounded a family in a threatening manner as they were exiting a store. One subject then stole a hat from one of the victims and all three subjects fled the scene. A family member was able to recover the stolen hat after chasing after the subjects. Police were able to apprehend the suspects in a different store nearby. A 22-year-old Suitland, Md. man and a 20-year-old Temple Hills, Md. man were arrested and charged with robbery and conspiracy. The first suspect was also issued a warrant for failure to give identification to a law enforcement officer, and

the second suspect was issued a warrant for contributing to the delinquency of a minor. The third subject is a minor. Charges against him for robbery and conspiracy are pending.

ROBBERY, 2400 block of S. Lowell Street. Between 9:44 p.m. and 9:48 p.m. on Dec. 28, three subjects allegedly robbed a victim and took his Droid HTC EVO 3D cell phone. The victim claims that two of the suspects were males and one was a female. He also alleged that the subjects had assault rifles and were wearing black ski masks.

UNLAWFUL WOUNDING, 800 block of S. Frederick Street. At 4:40 p.m. on Jan. 1, a victim and his girlfriend got into a verbal altercation. The argument quickly escalated and the suspect stabbed her boyfriend in the arm with a kitchen knife. The victim was able to break free and call the police. He was later transported to Virginia Hospital Center for medical treatment of the stab wound. A 32-year-old Arlington woman was arrested and charged with unlawful wounding. She was released on recognizance with a \$7,500 unsecured bond.

MALICIOUS WOUNDING, 3000 block of N. Wilson Boulevard. At 12:30 a.m. on Dec. 31, a fight between two males broke out on the sidewalk. The suspect punched the victim in the face causing the victim to fall into a parked car. In the process of falling, the victim ended up hitting his head on the passenger side mirror. Contact with the mirror caused a deep laceration to the victim's head. The victim was transported to Virginia Hospital Center for medical treatment. The suspect fled the scene, but is described as a 20-25 year old white male, approximately 5'10", brown hair and brown eyes. He was wearing a dark suit with a blue shirt and dark tie at the time of the incident.

MALICIOUS WOUNDING, 2800 block of N. Wilson Boulevard. At 12:05 a.m. on Dec. 30, a subject and victim were involved in a dispute inside of a bar. The suspect smashed a drinking glass against the right side of the victim's face. The victim received several facial lacerations and was transported to Virginia Hospital Center for medical treatment. A 29-year-old Arlington man was arrested and charged with malicious wounding. He was held without bond.

MALICIOUS WOUNDING, 1600 block of N. Wilson Boulevard. On Dec. 30 at 3:45 a.m., an intoxicated subject attacked another subject inside of a store for no apparent reason. The subject repeatedly punched the victim in the head, then proceeded to drag the victim to the back of the store and continued to punch him. Following the altercation, the victim was found unconscious with facial swelling and was transported to GW hospital. A 30-year-old Herndon man was arrested and charged with malicious wounding. He was held without bond.

BURGLARY, 800 block of S. 22nd Street. Between Dec. 21 at 3 a.m. and Dec. 29 at 10 p.m., an unknown subject(s) entered a residence and stole property. That same subject(s) is believed to have broken into the same residence between 5 am and 9:30 am on Dec. 31. During the second burglary, the subject(s) used the shower and ate food within the residence. There is no suspect(s) description.

STOLEN VEHICLES
♦ Jan. 1, VA XPM8090 (Tags Only), 1400 block of N. Quincy Street.

♦ Jan. 1, DC H98234, 2012 Toyota Camry, silver, 5600 block of S. Arlington Boulevard.

VOUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

E-mail announcements to arlington@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is noon the Thursday before publication. Photos are welcome.

AHC Inc. is looking for volunteers to help middle- and high-school students with homework, and to be role models and mentors. Volunteers are needed once a week for about an hour and a half, from 6 -7:30 p.m. or 6:30-8 p.m. at six different AHC community centers. Visit AHC's Teen Tutoring Program or call Mary

Zambrano at 703-486-0626 ext. 140. **Arlington Meals on Wheels** needs volunteers to deliver meals to homebound Mondays to Fridays, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Call 703-522-0811 or mowvolunteers@yahoo.com. **Volunteers Needed.** Arlingtonians Meeting Emergency Needs (AMEN Inc.) seeks volunteers who will take social workers' calls from home 1-5 p.m., one or two weekday afternoons per month. Approve requests for emergency financial assistance for their clients. Must have some computer skills to record requests on

AMEN's laptop computer. Training and ongoing consultation provided. Contact 703-558-0035 or amen@emergencyneeds.org. Visit www.emergencyneeds.org. **Arlington Commission on Long-Term Care Residences.** Commission members are appointed by the County Board and must live or work in Arlington. For more information or an application, contact www.arlingtonva.us/aging or Carolyn Ferguson at 703-228-1700, TTY 703-228-1788, or Arllaaa@arlingtonva.us.

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Commandant Addresses Students at Bishop O'Connell

Admiral Robert J. Papp, Jr., commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard, visited Bishop O'Connell High School for an afternoon discussion with students enrolled in the school's Global Studies program. Papp was introduced by O'Connell's Principal, Dr. Joseph E. Vorbach III, a retired U.S. Coast Guard officer who served with Papp when the commandant was the captain of the Coast Guard's sail training vessel Eagle. Papp gave the students an American history lesson as he laid out the evolution of the Coast Guard, beginning with the formation of the U.S. Revenue Cutter Service in 1790, and growing to its current role which he summarized by saying: "We protect those on the sea, we protect America from threats delivered by sea, and we protect the sea itself."



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SATURDAY/JAN. 12

Meeting. The Arlington branch of the American Association of University Women will meet at 2 p.m. at the Arlington Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Free. Hear Martha Ann Miller share stories from her book "The First Century and Not Ready for the Rocking Chair Yet."

MONDAY/JAN. 14

Lecture. 3 p.m. at Arlington Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Encore Learning is sponsoring a lecture on "The Threat of Nuclear Iran in the Middle East." Free. 703-228-2144.
Gallery Walk. 6-8 p.m. at Williamsburg Middle School library, 3600 N. Harrison St. The community can view concept designs and other relevant information for the new elementary school. Free.
Meeting. The County Board of Arlington County will meet at 6 p.m. at Williamsburg Middle School, 3600 N. Harrison St. The proposed new elementary school on the site will be discussed. Public is welcome.

TUESDAY/JAN. 15

"Overcrowding in Our Schools." 8-10 a.m. at WETA, 2775 S. Quincy St. \$40/member; \$50/non-member. Breakfast included. Discuss the facets that will impact the community's school system for decades. Visit www.leadershiparlington.org to register.

WEDNESDAYS/JAN. 16, 23, 30, FEB. 6, 13

Money Talk: A Financial Course for Women. Women have unique financial needs. Most at some time will be on their own financially. Some will never marry, some will see their marriages end in divorce, and others will outlive their husbands. This course will provide you with information that you need to take charge of your financial future. The course includes five classes: Jan. 16 — Financial Basics; Jan. 23 — Insurance Basics; Jan. 30 — Investing Basics; Feb. 6 — Investing for Retirement; and Feb. 13 — Planning for Future Life Events. All classes will be held 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the 2nd Floor Meeting Room at Arlington Central Library (1015 N Quincy

Street). Cost: \$25 (for the accompanying textbook). To register, call 703-228-6417. This is a program of Virginia Cooperative Extension and Arlington Public Libraries.

THURSDAY/JAN. 17

Joint Work Session. 4-6 p.m. at Williamsburg Middle School auditorium, 3600 N. Harrison St. The chairs of the Public Facilities Review Committee and the Building Level Planning Committee will jointly present the project to the two boards. A discussion between Board members will follow the presentation. Free.
Medicare Explained. 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Arlington Human Services Center, 2100 Washington Blvd. Learn about the basics of coverage and choices. Registration required, 703-228-1700.

SUNDAY/JAN. 20

Tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr. 7-9 p.m. at Washington-Lee High School, 1301 N. Stafford St. Enjoy live music, volunteer fair, photo gallery and more. Non-perishable food donations welcome. Visit www.arlingtonva.us/mlk for more.

SUNDAYS/JAN. 20, 27, FEB. 3, 10, 17

Meditation and Buddhism Introductory Class. 12:30-1:30 p.m. at Buddhist Center, 4001 N. 9th St., Suite 105. \$10/class. Enjoy a guided meditation, lecture with questions and answers. Visit www.meditation-dc.org or 202-986-2257.

JAN. 23 THROUGH JAN. 28

Citrus Sales. 8 a.m. until dark at the Well Fargo Bank on corner of North Glebe Road and Lee Highway. The Arlington Host Lions will sell grapefruits, naval oranges, tangelos and more.

THURSDAY/JAN. 24

Fundraiser. 5:30-10 p.m. at Marriott Crystal Gateway. Benefits law enforcement officers who were impacted by Hurricane Sandy. \$150/government; \$175/other. Visit www.ijis.org/_about/benefit.html for more.

SATURDAY/JAN. 26

Business Gala. 6:30 p.m.-midnight at Ritz-Carlton, Pentagon City. Features more than 100 silent and live auction items, along with a vacation raffle. \$180 if purchased by Dec. 21 or \$200/ticket from Dec. 22-Jan. 18. Visit www.arlingtonchamber.org or 703-525-2400.

SATURDAYS/JAN. 26 AND FEB. 2

Two-day Basic Literacy Tutor Training. More than 75 new volunteer Basic Literacy tutors are needed to help area English-speaking adults learn to read and write. Currently on a waiting list to be matched with tutors, these adult students are eager to improve their literacy skills by working one-to-one with a trained volunteer. A \$40 training fee contributes to the cost of books and materials. All tutor training workshops take place at the James Lee Community Center, 2855 Annandale Road in Falls Church from 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m., but the tutoring will take place in a library or community center in the tutor's neighborhood. Students and tutors are matched based on geographic proximity to make the weekly sessions as convenient as possible. Email volunteers@lcncv.org or call 703-237-0866 x111.

SATURDAY/FEB. 2

Open House. Arlington Unitarian Cooperative Preschool, 4444 Arlington Blvd., will hold an open house from 10 a.m.-noon for prospective parents. Free.

THURSDAY/FEB. 7

Medicare Explained. 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Arlington Human Services Center, 2100 Washington Blvd. Learn about the basics of coverage and choices. Registration required, 703-228-1700.

WEDNESDAY/FEB. 13

Volunteer Training. The TreeStewards of Arlington and Alexandria are holding training sessions for people interested in learning how to plant, care and

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Scouts Adam Michalak, Patrick Odum and Michael Botis tune up their instruments while dinner is being prepared.



Luca Tognewli adds a few lyrics to the pre-dinner rehearsal of the musical entertainment.

Raising Funds for High Adventure

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LOUISE KRAFFT
THE CONNECTION

The aroma of garlic and tomato sauce wafted up from the stove and out the doors into fellowship hall as scouts from Boy Scout Troop 167 prepared for the annual spaghetti dinner on Saturday evening, Jan. 5, at Mt. Olivet United Methodist Church.

The scouts are raising funds for the troop's bi-annual trip to the Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, N.M. The ranch covers nearly 214 square miles of mountain wilderness in the Sangre de Cristo range of the Rocky

Mountains. The 12-day trek program features horseback riding, burro racing, mountain biking, gold panning, chuckwagon dinners, rifle shooting and interpretive history.

The ranch, donated by oil baron Waite Phillips in 1938 to the Boy Scouts of America, is celebrating its 75th anniversary this year. The scout troop, based out of Mt. Olivet United Methodist Church in North Arlington, has been participating in the Philmont program since 1971.

— LOUISE KRAFFT



Michael Escamilla, Jorge Gomez and Jack Hughes are assigned to duties in the dining area.



Servers start off the line with plates of pasta, sauce and meatballs.



Kent Williams gently coaxes servings of flan from a muffin tin.



Kelton Williams gets some help with his apron before taking on the dishwashing duties in the kitchen.

Spencer Cobb calls out to clear the doorway as he carts through the first tray of hot spaghetti sauce.

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TUESDAY/FEB. 19

Medicare Explained. 10 a.m.-noon at Arlington Human Services Center, 2100 Washington Blvd. Learn about the basics of coverage and choices. Registration required, 703-228-1700.

ONGOING

PFLAG of Arlington. Second Sunday at 3 p.m. PFLAG promotes the equality and well-being of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered persons and their families. Meets on the second Sunday of each month, at the Unitarian Universalist Church at George Mason Drive and Route 50. Contact aly.pflagdc@gmail.com.

Free Mall Walking Program for Seniors. Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:30 a.m. Walk at your own pace in a safe and friendly environment. Group stretch and cool down led by hospital staff. Call 703-558-6859. Ballston Common Mall (Food Court Level), 4238 Wilson Blvd.

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group. Third Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Carlin Springs. Free. Call 703-558-6859.

Strength & Stretch For Seniors. Mondays and Thursdays at 1 p.m. Improve range of motion, strength & bone health. All abilities welcome. \$42. Mondays at Virginia Hospital Center, 1701 N. George Mason Dr. Thursdays at Health Pavilion, 601 S. Carlin Springs Road.

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Job Seekers' Support Group Meeting. Second and fourth Sundays, through Dec. 9 at 12:15 p.m. Arlington Temple United Methodist Church located at 1835 N. Nash St. is hosting Job Seeker and Career Enrichment Group meetings. The group is open to job seekers and those who are employed and wondering "what's next." Sessions are composed of readings, exercises and discussions to assist and hold members accountable for their own enrichment. Sign-up is required for participation. Contact atumcoffice@verizon.net, 703-525-6075 or www.Meetup.com/jobseeker.

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S. Carlin Springs Road. Call 703-558-6859.

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More Fodder for Comedy?

2013 Session of the Virginia General Assembly will tackle serious issues.

The 2013 30-day session of the Virginia General Assembly begins on Wednesday, Jan. 9. We can only hope that the various legislative proposals do not provide as much fodder for comedy as last session. The Virginia House of Delegates and the Senate of Virginia will offer live streaming video of the 2013 Legislative Sessions, and it is well worth tuning in once or twice.

The General Assembly typically considers between 2,000 and 3,000 bills during a session. It's like drinking from a firehose. There will be proposals about revenue and lack thereof, transportation and education funding, bills proposing to allow concealed weapons in schools, bills to allow civil penalties against gun owners who fail to secure their guns, bills that would limit access to insurance coverage for contraception, bills to further limit abortion, bills about undocumented immigrants, and other bills beyond imagination.

Every resident of Virginia is represented by one delegate and one state senator. You can find out who your representatives are, and look up what they actively propose and how they vote on the General Assembly website at <http://viriniageneralassembly.gov>

Here is a sample of bills local legislators have prefiled as chief patron.

Del. Dave Albo (R-42), **Seventh and eighth grade end-of-course mathematics Standards of Learning assessments; calculator use prohibited.** Prohibits students in the seventh and eighth grades from using any calculator on any mathematics Standards of Learning assessment.

The bill also provides that no eighth grade student who fails to receive a passing grade on the end-of-course mathematics assessment shall be placed in an Algebra I course, or a more advanced mathematics course, in the ninth grade.

Del. David Bulova, **Landlord and tenant laws; Virginia Residential Property Disclosure Act; disclosure of methamphetamine laboratory; remedy for nondisclosure.** Requires a landlord of a residential dwelling unit who has actual knowledge that the dwelling unit was previously used as a clandestine methamphetamine laboratory and has not been cleaned up in accordance with the guidelines established by the Department of Health to provide to a prospective tenant a written disclosure that so states. The bill provides when the disclosure shall be made by the landlord and the remedy for the tenant for nondisclosure.

The bill also requires an owner of residential property when selling the property to make the same disclosure. The bill has a delayed ef-

fective date of July 1, 2014.

Del. Barbara Comstock (R-34): **School calendar.** Makes local school boards responsible for setting the school calendar and determining the opening of the school year and eliminates the post-Labor Day opening requirement and "good cause" scenarios for which the Board of Education may grant waivers of this requirement.

Del. Charniele L. Herring (D-46): **Tax credit for small businesses hiring graduates of Virginia's public colleges.** Establishes, beginning Jan. 1, 2013, an individual and corporate income tax credit for certain small businesses creating new full-time jobs that are filled by persons holding associate's or bachelor's degrees from public institutions of higher education in the Commonwealth. The credit would equal \$2,500 for each such new full-time job. The credit would be claimed for the taxable year at which time the new full-time job was continuously filled for at least 12 months. Any unused credit would be allowed to be carried over for five taxable years. The tax credit would sunset in 2015.

Del. Tim Hugo (R-40): **Admission of students domiciled in Virginia at public institutions of higher education.** Provides that the board of visitors or other governing body of each public institution of higher education, except for Virginia Military Institute, Norfolk State University, and Virginia State University, must establish rules and regulations requiring that by the start of the 2018-2019 academic year, at least 75 percent of students admitted and enrolled at the institution are domiciled in Virginia.

Del. Rob Krupicka (D-45): **Customer access to restrooms; civil penalty.** Requires a retail establishment that has a toilet facility for its employees to allow a customer who suffers from Crohn's disease, ulcerative colitis, or other medical condition that requires immediate access to a toilet facility, to use that facility during normal business hours if certain conditions are met. The measure does not apply to certain filling stations or service stations or to banks or savings institutions. The operator of a retail establishment that violates this requirement is subject to a civil penalty of not more than \$100. A violation does not subject the retail establishment to further liability to the customer.

Del. Tom Rust (R-86): **In-state tuition; undocumented persons.** Establishes that an undocumented person who is unlawfully present in the United States shall not be eligible for in-state tuition unless he (i) entered and began residing in the United States prior to his 16th birthday; (ii) has graduated from a public or private high school in the Commonwealth ...; (iii) has registered as an entering student in a public institution of higher education in the Commonwealth; (iv) has resided in the Commonwealth for at least five years immediately preceding ...; (v) has provided an

affidavit to the institution stating that he has filed an application to become a permanent resident of the United States ... or will do so as soon as he is eligible, and that no grounds exist for the denial ...; and (vi) has submitted evidence that he or, in the case of a dependent student, at least one parent, guardian, or person standing in loco parentis, has filed, unless exempted by state law, Virginia income tax returns for at least one year prior to the date of enrollment.

Del. Vivian Watts (D-39): **Safe deposit boxes.** Requires the bank or other entity renting a safe deposit box to permit limited access to the box by the deceased lessee's spouse, next of kin, guardian, conservator, agent under a power of attorney, or agent in an advance medical directive, or by a court clerk, to look for a will or other testamentary instrument. Currently, the lessor of the safe deposit box has the option of allowing entry for such purpose.

Sen. George Barker (D-39): **Possession of open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle; penalty.** Provides that no person shall possess an alcoholic beverage in the passenger area of a motor vehicle upon a public highway of the Commonwealth in other than the manufacturer's unopened, original container. The bill punishes violators with a civil penalty of \$25. (Barker also proposes license plates for Washington Nationals fans.)

Sen. Adam Ebbin (D-30): **Nondiscrimination in state employment.** Prohibits discrimination in state employment based on race, color, religion, national origin, sex, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions, age, marital status, disability, sexual orientation, or status as a special disabled veteran or other veteran covered by the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, as amended. The bill defines "sexual orientation" as a person's actual or perceived heterosexuality, bisexuality, homosexuality, or gender identity or expression. The bill expressly provides that "sexual orientation" shall not include any person's attraction toward persons with whom sexual conduct would be illegal due to the age of the parties.

Sen. Barbara Favola (D-31) **Eligibility for TANF; drug-related felonies.** Provides that a person who is otherwise eligible to receive Temporary Assistance for Needy Families assistance shall not be denied assistance solely because he has been convicted of a felony offense of possession of a controlled substance, provided that he complies with all obligations imposed by the court and the Department of Social Services, is actively engaged in or has completed substance abuse treatment, and participates in drug screenings.

Sen. Janet Howell (D-32) **Elections; absentee voting.** Provides that qualified voters may vote absentee in person without providing an excuse or reason for not being able to vote in person on election day. The bill re-

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Legislators' Issues

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tains the present statutory list of specific reasons entitling a voter to cast an absentee ballot for those persons who vote absentee by mail.

Sen. David Marsden (D-37): **Use of firearm in commission of crime; civil liability.** Provides that a person may be held civilly liable for injury to the person or property of another or for wrongful death resulting from the use of a firearm in the commission of a crime if it can be shown by clear and convincing evidence that the firearm came into the possession of the person who committed the crime because of the failure of the civil defendant to adequately secure the firearm from theft or unauthorized possession.

Sen. Chap Petersen (D-34): **Fuels taxes; indexing of tax rates.** Increases or decreases each year the rates of Virginia's fuels

taxes using a fuel efficiency index. The bill defines the fuel efficiency index as the quotient that is obtained when using as the numerator the total annual vehicle miles traveled in the Commonwealth for the relevant year and using as the denominator the total gallons of motor fuel consumed for highway use in the Commonwealth for the relevant year, as published by the Federal Highway Administration of the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Sen. Toddy Puller (D-36): **Tax credit for hiring military veterans.** Establishes beginning Jan. 1, 2013, but before Jan. 1, 2018, an individual and corporate income tax credit for taxpayers hiring returning or disabled military veterans into new jobs paying an annual salary of at least \$50,000. (with other restrictions)

— MARY KIMM.

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"FLOURISHING AFTER 55"

"Flourishing After 55" from Arlington's Office of Senior Adult Programs for Jan. 22-26.

Arlington senior centers: Aurora Hills, 735 S. 18th St.; Walter Reed, 2909 S. 16th St.; Culpepper Garden, 4435 N. Pershing Dr.; Langston-Brown, 2121 N. Culpepper St.; Lee, 5722 Lee Hwy.; Arlington Mill at Fairlington, 3308 S. Stafford St.; also Madison Community Center, 3829 N. Stafford St.; TJ Comm. Center, 3501 S. 2nd St.

Arlington senior centers will be closed Monday, Jan. 21.

Senior trips: Tuesday, Jan. 22, Renwick Gallery, Civil War Art, lunch at Carmine's, D.C., \$47; Thursday, Jan. 24, Maryland Live! Casino, Hanover, Md., \$10. Call Arlington County 55+ Travel, 703-228-4748. Registration required.

Indoor walking program, Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m., Langston-Brown. Free. Details, 703-228-6300.

Cardio boxing class begins Tuesday, Jan. 22, 9 a.m., Walter Reed. Cost \$35/7 sessions. Register, 703-228-0949.

Sleep disorders examined Tuesday, Jan. 22, Culpepper Garden. Free. Register, 703-228-4403.

Zumba cardio dance class begins Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2:15 p.m., Lee. Cost \$31.50/7 sessions. Register, 703-228-0555.

Dance and sculpting exercise class begins Wednesday, Jan. 23, 10 a.m., \$28/7 sessions, Fairlington Community Center. Cost \$28/7sessions.

Register, 703-228-7529.

Meditation theory and practice, Wednesday, Jan. 23, 2 p.m., Lee. Cost \$28/7 sessions. Register, 703-228-0555.

Learn about hospice services, Wednesday, Jan. 23, 1 p.m., Langston-Brown. Free. Register, 703-228-6300.

Women's basketball program, Wednesdays, 7 p.m.-9 p.m., Langston-Brown. Details, 703-228-4771.

Bend, breathe, balance, Thursday, Jan. 24, 11:15 a.m., Langston-Brown. \$28/7 sessions. Register, 703-228-6300.

Senior Boot Camp begins Thursday, Jan. 24, 8:30 a.m., Walter Reed. \$31.50/7 sessions. Register, 703-228-0955.

Financial planning during retirement, Thursday, Jan. 24, 1 p.m., Lee. Free. Register, 703-228-0955.

Dance fitness begins Thursday, Jan. 24, 9:30 a.m., Walter Reed. \$31.50/7 sessions. Register, 703-228-0955.

Belly dancing classes begin Friday, Jan. 25, 10 a.m., Lee. \$38.50/7 sessions. Register, 703-228-0555.

Core training classes begin, Friday, Jan. 25, 9:30 a.m., Walter Reed. \$28/7 sessions. Register, 703-228-0955.

Fast-paced walking group, Fridays, 9 a.m., Aurora Hills. Free. Register, 703-228-5722.

Community Magic Show, Saturday, Jan. 26, 4 p.m., Culpepper Garden. Free. Register by Jan. 22, 703-228-4403.

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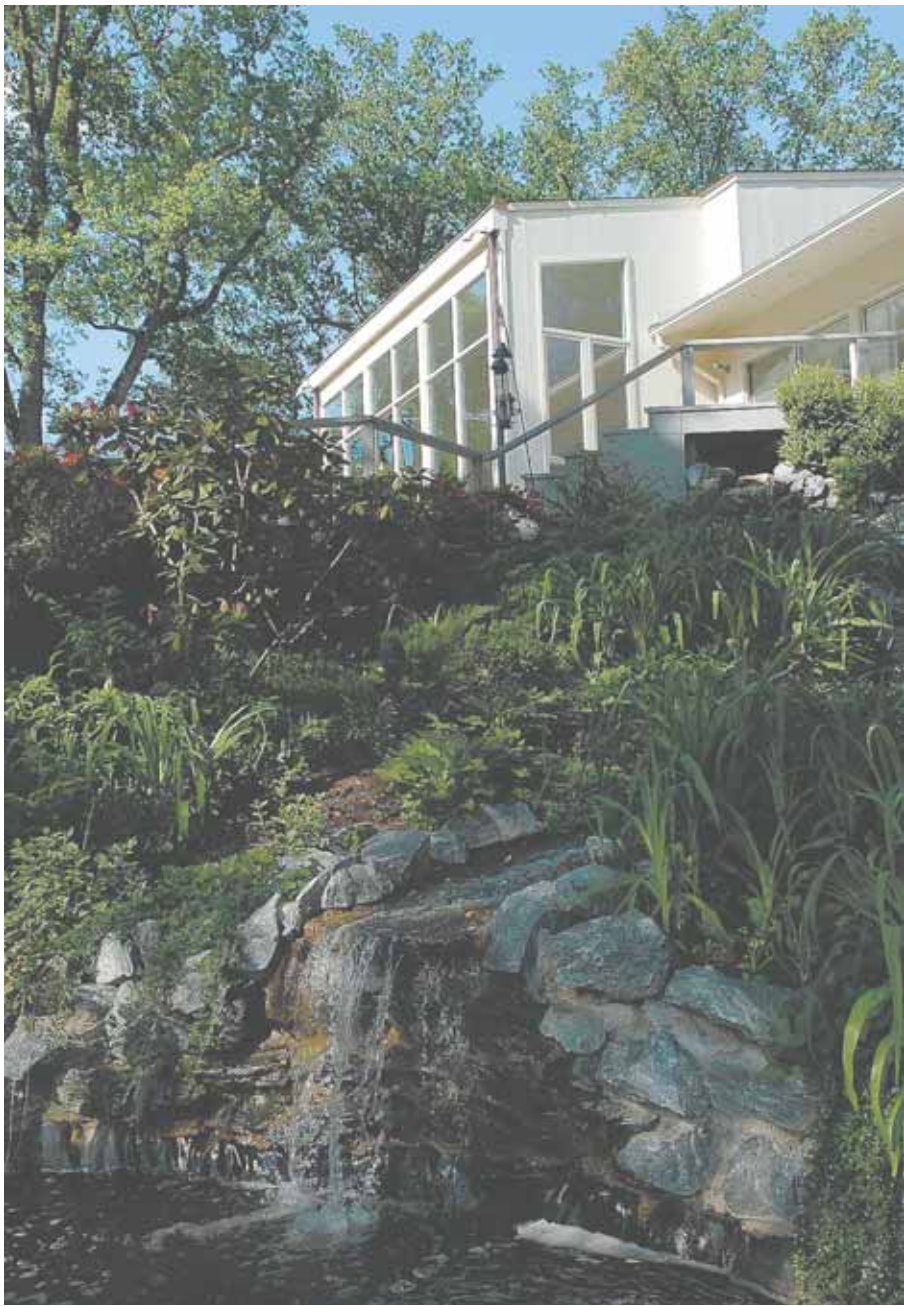
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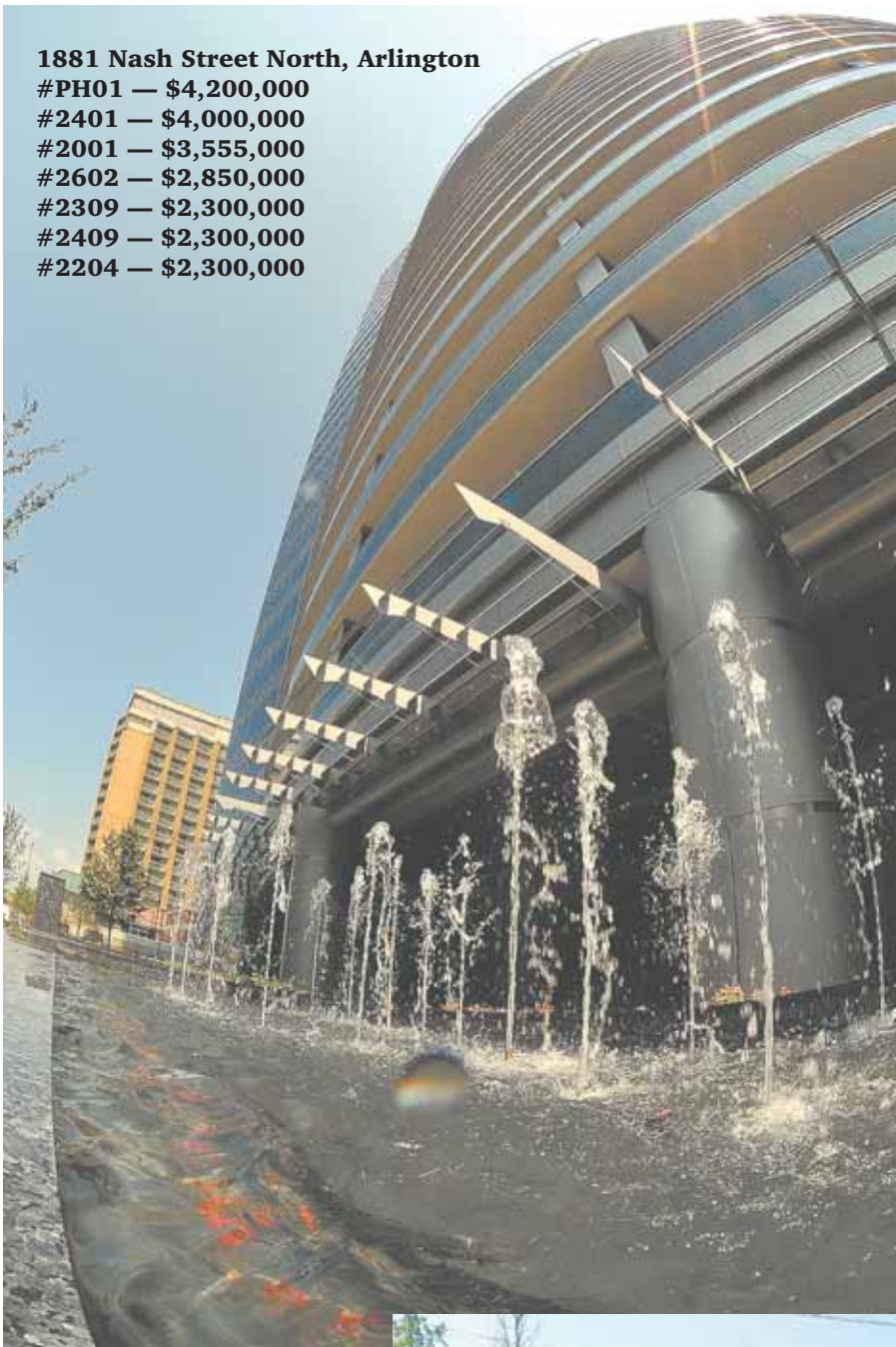
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3430 ABINGDON Street, Arlington — \$3,375,000



4417 36th Street North, Arlington — \$2,500,000



406 Chain Bridge Road, McLean — \$3,100,000

Unforgettable Spaces Local designers share their favorite home designs from 2012.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE CONNECTION

Local interior designers spend their days mixing colors, accessories and furnishings to create chic and stylish rooms. As the new year begins, some local tastemakers look back on some of their most memorable accomplishments.

Nadia Subaran of Aidan Design names a light-filled Alexandria, kitchen as one of her top accomplishments for 2012.

"I'm particularly proud of this one, because the remodel made a huge improvement in the [homeowners'] daily lives."

— Evelyn Nicely, Nicely Done Kitchens

"The ample windows and doors let in plenty of natural sunlight, also important for this busy family," said Subaran.

Evelyn Nicely of Nicely Done Kitchens in Springfield, fell in love with a Fairfax Station, kitchen she completed

"This ... kitchen was designed for an active family with small children and pets, so it was important to provide spaces where the entire family could gather, such as the breakfast nook and multi-level island," said Subaran.

Storage options abound in the new space, which includes an adjoining butler's pantry.



PHOTO BY ROBERT RADIFERA

Designer, and Arlington resident, Allie Mann created this bathroom using subway shower tiles, porcelain flooring and bright marble counters paired with polished nickel fixtures. Mann says this bathroom was one of her favorite accomplishments in 2012 "because it blends casual comfort with casual elegance."

near the end of 2012. "I'm particularly proud of this one, because the remodel made a huge improvement in the [homeowners'] daily lives," said Nicely. "[It] was not only outdated, but it wasn't functional and it didn't have enough storage."

The new kitchen now includes a spacious refrigerator, double ovens and a cook-top with six burners. "Updated lighting highlights the custom cabinetry, while interior lighting in the glass cabinets and under cabinet lighting create the overall ambient effect," said Nicely.

Potomac, Md., designer Sharon Kleinman's 2012 masterpiece was the weekend home of a busy family that sits on an expansive horse farm in Mount Airy, Md. "This was a farmhouse that needed to be completely redone design-wise," said

Kleinman. "The client does a lot of entertaining with friends and family, so we gutted the kitchen to make plenty of room for multiple cooks."

The remodeled kitchen is now a light, airy space with granite counter tops in hues of cream, gray and sand. "The prior cabinets were dark wood, but for the new design, we chose cabinets with a creamy finish," continued Kleinman. "We decided to forgo a kitchen table and instead designed a large island that became the central hub."

The curvaceous light fixtures that dangle above the island are made of iron and thick glass. "They are fun and have a sense of whimsy," said Kleinman. There is also whimsy in the subtle horse theme that runs throughout the home, echoing the outdoor scenery.



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Arlington designer Allie Mann's top project for 2012 was the bathroom she created for the D.C. Design House.

The flooring on the home's main level is made from wide-plank, distressed wood, and the living room was transformed into a space that serves as both a family room and an office. "Over the sofa there is a picture of a horse and rider. We used that painting — the bright red riding

jacket and the camel colors — as the inspiration for the room," said Kleinman. "The sofa is in a herringbone fabric, which we accented with chocolate pillows. We added red leopard print for a little bit of whimsy."

Arlington designer Allie Mann's top project was the bathroom she created for the 2012 DC Design House. "I love the bathroom ... because it blends casual comfort with casual elegance, while incorporating many of the design trends I continue to see this year: subway shower tiles, porcelain flooring and bright marble counters paired with polished nickel fixtures," said Mann, a project designer for Case Design/Remodeling, Inc. "Custom elements such as the window seat and striped walls add elements of uniqueness and style."



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"Storage options are abundant in this [Alexandria] kitchen and adjoining butler's pantry, while the ample windows and doors let in plenty of natural sunlight," says Nadia Subaran of Aidan Design.

Designers at Nicely Done Kitchens used lighting to emphasize "the custom cabinetry, while interior lighting in the glass cabinets and under cabinet lighting create the overall ambient effect," said Evelyn Nicely.

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2310 14TH ST N #406	3	2	1	ARLINGTON	\$719,900	Garden 1-4 Floors	22201
608 TAZEWEILL ST N	3	2	2	ARLINGTON	\$715,000	Townhouse	0.03	22203
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855 MADISON	4	3	0	ARLINGTON	\$683,000	Detached	0.16	22205
1220 FILLMORE ST N #501	2	2	1	ARLINGTON	\$673,000	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors	22201
1801 21ST RD N	2	2	1	ARLINGTON	\$670,000	Detached	0.14	22209
2517 KENMORE CT S	3	3	1	ARLINGTON	\$662,500	Townhouse	0.02	22206
518 NORWOOD ST	3	1	1	ARLINGTON	\$661,000	Detached	0.15	22203
5713 16TH ST N	3	2	0	ARLINGTON	\$660,000	Detached	0.14	22205
4736 11TH ST N	2	2	1	ARLINGTON	\$660,000	Detached	0.18	22205
1600 CLARENDON BLVD N #W112	1	1	0	ARLINGTON	\$660,000	Garden 1-4 Floors	22209
5132 23RD RD N	3	2	0	ARLINGTON	\$655,000	Detached	0.18	22207
6309 36TH ST N	4	2	0	ARLINGTON	\$650,000	Detached	0.23	22213
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4731 1ST ST N	3	2	0	ARLINGTON	\$640,000	Detached	0.20	22203
5923 2ND ST N	4	2	0	ARLINGTON	\$635,000	Detached	0.14	22203
5908 9TH ST N	4	2	0	ARLINGTON	\$635,000	Detached	0.17	22205
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3608 7TH ST S	4	2	0	ARLINGTON	\$619,000	Detached	0.19	22204
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515 ABINGDON ST S	3	2	1	ARLINGTON	\$600,000	Detached	0.18	22204
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"If It Ain't Broke..."



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Today is a day I feel like writing – not merely one when I am looking forward to having written, but rather one when I am interested and motivated by the process. The situational gods have been aligned: I have time on my hands, an empty house with peace and quiet, and adult cats who are a sleeping and a kitten who is blissfully asleep (not always the case). Unfortunately, I don't have anything particularly insightful to "prose" about. But I will persevere, as the opportunity with which I've been presented rarely presents itself, and certainly not nearly as often as literary pursuits might require – for me, anyway.

Oddly enough, what I think I've found is, as a writer, prattling on about nothing – as I have in the first paragraph, is sort of an exercise in mind stretching (not futility) – akin to when athletes maneuver themselves into awkward-looking, pre-game warm-ups. The act of writing something, mildly coherent but not necessarily on any particular topic, sort of warms me and my synapses up as well and hopefully gets them firing on enough cylinders so that what words are eventually written are words worth reading. (No comments from the peanut gallery, please?)

I imagine you regular readers are probably wondering how I could possibly relate the content of these initial paragraphs to my stage IV, non-small cell lung cancer diagnosis (a fact with which you all are excruciatingly familiar), or if this week's column might possibly avoid the subject altogether – for once, as perhaps cancer-fatigue may have finally set in. After all, too much of a good thing can be too much, as it has often been said. Moreover, too much of a bad thing then (and being diagnosed with terminal cancer certainly qualifies as a "bad thing") can likewise be way more than "too much;" it can be, as my mother so often said about so many subjects/circumstances: "Enough already!" (I'm almost finished.)

The point of these "cancer columns," as I call them, is not to bring anybody down emotionally/make anybody miserable (least of all, me); in fact, there is no point. I'm simply telling a story – that I'm able to tell in a reasonably intelligent and unflinching way, about the trials and tribulations of being a lung cancer diagnosee, not because of who I am (hardly), but rather because of what I have. Cancer is a killer and since I've been fortunate to still be a "liver," – in spite of the odds, predictions, presumptions, statistics, etc., 45 months post-diagnosis, continuing these cancer columns weekly as I do, seems more like a success story than a failure. Ergo, writing about cancer reinforces to me all the positives – even while occasionally writing about the negatives, and the more positives I can infuse into my own life, the healthier I'll likely be. So please indulge my writing these cancer columns, as they have probably contributed to my above-average, better-than-expected, life expectancy. Given how much longer I've lived than my original prognosis: "13-months to two-years," I don't see any reason to stop now. My future is ahead of me, not behind me.

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

ENTERTAINMENT

An Unusual Walk

Much more fun than training for a race, Crystal City Shops opens its doors to 1K wine and beer walks.

BY AMBER HEALY
THE CONNECTION

Most distance runners or walkers sign up for races to earn their personal best time, or perhaps in preparation for a longer run in the future.

A pair of upcoming events in Crystal City would rather have participants take their time and savor the experience. After all, wine can stain clothes.

"It's January, it's a fun, laid-back way to spend an afternoon and you get to try lots of different kinds of beer or wine," said Angela Fox, president and CEO of the Crystal City Business Improvement District, which is again hosting the 1K Wine and Beer Walks later this month, the third year for the events.

Crystal City has hosted a number of more traditional wine events, and running events, over the past few years. But January is too cold a month for outdoor jazz concerts where patrons sip wine, and an indoor event allows people who think of Crystal City as a place where people can go from the Metro to underground stores without stepping foot

outside to get a better idea of the place, she said.

"It's all about changing the way people see Crystal City," as more than just a mall, but an underground city with art on the walls, restaurants and a theater nestled within its space, Fox said. "There's a tremendous amount here. It's a location you can't beat. People who live here can walk to the airport — I've seen it."

And hosting a wine walk?

"What better way to show people how exciting it is to get around in an underground city?" Fox asked with a laugh.

Participants purchase a ticket for a "heat," which start every 30 minutes after 1 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 12 and 13, and Jan. 26 and 27 for the beer walk, and sip their way through a 1K course. It's that easy.

There are bread and cheese stations along the way, and a party at the end with more food, wine and live music, Fox said.

SOME PARTICIPANTS get into the "race" mentality, and come in team t-shirts or running gear, she said.

But people are really coming for the wine, said Jim Barker, president of the Washington Wine Academy, who is responsible for selecting the wines available for sampling and purchase during the walks.

"The Washington, D.C. metropolitan area

A Tasty Outing

The Crystal City Business Improvement District is once again partnering with the Washington Wine Academy for the 1K Wine Walk and 1K Beer Walk, this month, within the Crystal City Shops. Admission is \$43.50 for the Wine Walk, which includes 20 wine tasting tickets and a t-shirt, and \$38.50 for the Beer Walk, which also includes 20 tasting tickets and a t-shirt. Space is limited. Visit www.crystalcity.org. Tickets can be purchased online at www.washingtonwineacademy.org.

is the top wine market in the U.S.," he said. "More wine is purchased here than in any other metro city in the country," and wine

consumption in the country is outpacing other wine-soaked nations.

Washington is "a white collar town, it's a political town, it's an educated town," and all that leads to a great and growing interest in sophisticated bev-

erages, Barker said.

Events like the one in Crystal City are a nice addition to the big outdoor wine festi-

vals the Washington Wine Academy hosts each year, including one at Bull Run Park in Centreville, just on a slightly smaller scale.

And when the craft brew community began to become popular in the past few years, Barker decided to invite them to the party too. An estimated 80 percent of the beer sold in the U.S. comes from three major companies, but there are 1,500 craft brewers out there offering different taste profiles and flavor combinations.

The wine and beer walks are a "polite spoof" on endurance athletes who spend months training for an event, Barker said. People are not encouraged to run, and no one's timed on how long it takes to complete the course.



A group of women prepare to walk a 1K course while sampling wine during last year's Crystal City Wine Walk.

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CALENDAR

Email announcements to arlington@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is noon the Thursday before publication. Photos are welcome.

ONGOING

Food Truck Thursdays. In the surface parking lot at the corner of Crystal Drive and 18th Street.

Line Dancing Class. Fridays, 10-11 a.m. Line dancing with Barbara Allen. Covers the basic steps, then combines them to music for a gentle aerobic workout. More experienced line dancers are welcome as they can assist newer dancers. At Aurora Hills Senior Center. Call 703-228-5722.

Family Skate Opening Night. Saturdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m., through March 30, 2013. Thomas Jefferson Center, 3501 2nd St. Fees: \$2 entry, \$3 skate rental, \$2 re-entry for students attending both family and teen skate. Cash only. Save time in line by bringing skates. Visit www.arlingtonva.us.

Flying Squirrel Lore & More. For families and children. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Flying squirrels are found throughout the wooded neighborhoods of Arlington, but are seldom seen. Learn about these nocturnal acrobats. After an indoor presentation, go outside to see them glide in for an evening meal. Call 703-228-6535 to register. Meet at Long Branch Nature Center, 625 S.

- Carlin Springs Road.
- ❖ Saturday, Jan. 12, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Program #622953-F
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- ❖ Saturday, Jan. 26, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Program #622953-I

Photo Exhibit. See "Paris by Day, Paris by Night: Photos by Kevin Kasmai" at Cherrydale Library, 2190 Military Road through April 2. Free. 703-228-6330.

JAN. 9 THROUGH JAN. 12

Theater Performance. See "Emily Skinner: There is Nothing Like a Dame" at ARK Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave. \$35. Visit www.signature-theatre.org or 703-573-SEAT for showtimes and tickets.

JAN. 11 THROUGH FEB. 2

"The Show-Off" by George Kelly is a comedy about an ambitious and audacious young faker who transforms the lives of those around him, at the same time proving that even the most obnoxious of us have our virtues. Presented by The American Century Theater, at Theatre II, Gunston Arts Center, 2700 S. Lang St. Visit www.AmericanCentury.org.



THURSDAY/JAN. 10

Author Talk. 7 p.m. at One More Page, 2200 N. Westmoreland St. Charles Thomas Jr. will discuss his memoir "Scars, Exile, Vindication: My Life as an Experiment." Free. Visit www.onemorepagebooks.com or 703-300-9746.

Pay What you Can Performance. 8 p.m. The American Century Theater presents "The Show Off" by George Kelly at Gunston Performing Arts Center's Theatre Two, 2700 S. Lang St. Buy tickets at americancentury.org or 703-998-4555.

FRIDAY/JAN. 11

Performance. Encore Stage & Studio

Honk

Encore Stage & Studio presents "Honk, Jr.," a retelling of Hans Christian Anderson's classic "The Ugly Duckling," about an awkward, odd-looking duck who has lost his family, at Thomas Jefferson Community Theatre, 125 S. Old Glebe Road. Performances are Friday, Jan. 11 and 18 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Jan. 12 and 19 at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.; and Sunday, Jan. 13 at 3 p.m. \$12/adults, \$10/children, students and seniors. Tickets online at www.encorestage.org or 703-548-1154.

703-300-9746.

JAN. 11 THROUGH FEB. 2

Theater Performance. The American Century Theater presents "The Show Off" by George Kelly at Gunston Performing Arts Center's Theatre Two, 2700 S. Lang St. Showtimes are Thursday through Saturday at 8 p.m. with Saturday and Sunday matinees at 2:30 p.m. Buy tickets at americancentury.org or 703-998-4555.

SATURDAY/JAN. 12

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ENTERTAINMENT

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Performance. Encore Stage & Studio presents "Honk, Jr.," a retelling of "The Ugly Duckling," at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. at Thomas Jefferson Community Theatre, 125 S. Old Glebe Road. \$12/adults, \$10/children, students and seniors. Tickets online at www.encorestage.org or 703-548-1154.

Comedy Performance. Deon Cole

has been featured on HBO's "Def Comedy Jam," NBC's "Showtime at the Apollo," and will have a new show on TBS called "Deon Cole's Black Box." He will perform at Cinema & Drafthouse, 2903 Columbia Pike, at 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. \$24. Visit arlingtondrafthouse.com for tickets.

Meeting. The Arlington branch of the American Association of University Women will meet at 2 p.m. at the Arlington Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Free. Hear Martha Ann Miller share stories from her book "The First Century and Not Ready for the Rocking Chair Yet."

Yarn Workshop. 9-11 a.m. at The Potomac Crescent Waldorf School, 923 23rd Street South. Knitters new

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SATURDAY-SUNDAY/JAN. 12-13

Wine Walk. 1-7 p.m. at Crystal City Shops. Taste wines as you walk a 1k course. \$40. Buy tickets at www.washingtonwineacademy.org/events/1k-wine-walk.

SUNDAY/JAN. 13

Performance. Encore Stage & Studio presents "Honk, Jr.," a retelling of "The Ugly Duckling," at 3 p.m. at Thomas Jefferson Community Theatre, 125 S. Old Glebe Road. \$12/adults, \$10/children, students and seniors. Tickets online at www.encorestage.org or 703-548-1154.

Indoor Track Meet. 7:45 a.m.- noon. For walkers and runners of all ages and abilities. Events: 400m/800m/1500m/3000m race walks; 55m, one mile; 400m, 800m, 200m, 3000m, and 5000m runs. Free for children, \$3 for high school students, \$5 for adults. At Thomas Jefferson Community Center, 3501 S. 2nd St. Visit www.pvtc.org/indoor or 703-927-4833.

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Yarn Bomb Meet-ups + Stitch Session. Wednesdays through Feb. 28, 6-9 p.m. Free. Create a yarn bombing temporary public art project in Rosslyn. Meet other knitters at Town Hall, 1901 N. Moore St. All ages and experience levels are welcome. Free. Visit <http://pinklineproject.com>.

W3fi: A Digital Experience Revealing The Connections Between Our Online + Offline Selves. Free. At Terrace Gallery. Artists Chris Coleman and Laleh Mehran transform the Terrace Gallery into an immersive digital installation, using multiple projections mapped specifically for the space. W3FI animates the walls with ideas and real-time information gathered from Artisphere visitors and the region at large. Artisphere is located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com. Through Jan. 20.

Art On The Art Bus: Hand Drawn Bazaar. Free. Elizabeth Graeber creates work for Art On The Art Bus at Works in Progress Gallery in Artisphere located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com. Onsite residency hours are Wednesday and Friday from 5:30-10 p.m. through Feb. 3.

THURSDAY/JAN. 10

Music. Debo Band performs with guest DJ Underdog at 8 p.m. at the Ballroom in Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. \$15. Debo Band is an 11-member group led by Ethiopian-American saxophonist Danny Mekonnen. Visit www.artisphere.com or 703-875-1100.

FRIDAY/JAN. 11

Music. Nomadic Massive in partnership with Alliance Francaise will showcase its take on hip-hop at 8:30 p.m. at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. \$20. Visit www.artisphere.com or 703-875-1100.

THROUGH JAN. 11

Art Exhibition. "Bold Expressions" by Rebecca Kirtland McNeely will be on view at Piola, 1550 Wilson Blvd. McNeely paints in oil and water-based media, creating award-winning abstracts, mixed media works and expressionistic paintings.

SATURDAY/JAN. 12

Clarinet Capers. 7:30 p.m. at Rosslyn Spectrum Theatre at Artisphere, 1611 N. Kent St. Hear works from Mozart, Gershwin and more. \$28/adult; \$15/student. Visit www.arlingtonva.us or 888-841-2787 for tickets.

Elizabeth Graeber Hand Drawn Bazaar.

5:30-10 p.m. Graeber has created a flea market of her original work in the WIP Gallery. During her residency, she will be making placards to display on Art on the Art Bus while creating and selling new work in her Hand Drawn Bazaar. The space will be transformed into a flea and farmer's market theme with silk screened cards, postcards, stickers and ephemera. Items are available to purchase at the Terrace Gallery desk. Artisphere located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com.

JAN. 18 THROUGH MARCH 24

Art Exhibit. Arlington Arts Center will showcase the finalists for "Interwoven: Art. Craft. Design" at AAC, 3550 Wilson Blvd. See a range of media, including video, murals, photography and more. Free. Visit www.arlingtonartscenter.org.

SATURDAY/JAN. 19

Music. Roots Rock Revue featuring the Grandsons, Karl Straub and Art Hill + The Long Gone Daddys perform at 8 p.m. in the ballroom at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. \$15. Visit www.artisphere.com or 703-875-1100.

Children's Theater Festival. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. at Rosslyn Spectrum, 1611 N. Kent St. Enjoy performances, activities and more. \$15/adult; \$10/child; under 4 are free. Visit www.teatrodelaluna.org for more.

Opening Reception. 6-9 p.m. Meet some of the artists of "Interwoven: Art. Craft. Design" at AAC, 3550 Wilson Blvd. See a range of media, including video, murals, photography and more. Free. Visit www.arlingtonartscenter.org.

THROUGH SUNDAY/JAN. 20

Exhibit. See "Water Root" by William Villalongo. This is his first video film project where actors are turned into graphic characters from his paintings while a poem that narrates the video muses on the distances between morality and immortality. Located at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. Free. Visit www.artisphere.com or 703-875-1100.

FRIDAY/JAN. 25

Opening Reception. 6-10 p.m. at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. Free artist talk and music showcase as part of the exhibit "Delicate/Violent (Delicado/Violento)" by David Amoroso. Visit www.artisphere.com or 703-875-1100.

SATURDAY/JAN. 26

Music. Gangstagrass with special guest The Highballers mixes bluegrass with hip-hop starting at 8 p.m. in the ballroom at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. \$15. Visit www.artisphere.com or 703-875-1100.

Movie. Watch "The Comedy" directed and co-written by Rick Alverson. 8 p.m. in the Dome Theatre at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. \$10. Visit www.artisphere.com or 703-875-1100.

Night of Boleros (Noche de Boleros). 7 p.m. at NRECA, 4301 Wilson Blvd. Hear singers Maria Aurora Paz and Alex Alburquerque with Alejandro Hernandez Valdez on piano. \$30/adults; \$25/students and seniors. Visit www.teatrodelaluna.org for more.

Elizabeth Graeber Hand Drawn Bazaar. 5:30-10 p.m. Graeber has created a flea market of her original work in the WIP Gallery. During her residency, she will be making placards to display on Art on the Art Bus while creating and selling new work in her Hand Drawn Bazaar. The space will be transformed into a flea and farmer's market theme with silk screened cards, postcards, stickers and ephemera. Items are available to purchase at the Terrace Gallery desk. Artisphere located at 1101 Wilson Blvd. Call 703-875-1100 or visit www.artisphere.com.

SATURDAY/FEB. 2

Music. Canzoniere Grecanico Salentino performs at 8:30 p.m. in the ballroom at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. There is a social hour at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall. \$22. Visit www.artisphere.com or 703-875-1100.

Movie. Watch Quentin Tarantino's "Reservoir Dogs" at 8 p.m. in the Dome Theatre at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. \$8. Visit www.artisphere.com or 703-875-1100.

THROUGH SUNDAY/FEB. 3

Art Exhibit. See "Hand Drawn Bazaar" by Elizabeth Graeber. She has created a flea market of her original work in the WIP Gallery at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. Free. Visit www.artisphere.com or 703-875-1100.

WEDNESDAY/FEB. 6 THROUGH SUNDAY/MARCH 24

Exhibit. "Infestation" by Carolina Mayorga is a multimedia project that will slowly invade Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd., in the same way that vermin do. Visit www.artisphere.com or 703-875-1100.



Julian Milkis

Clarinet Capers

Julian Milkis performs works of Mozart, Arutiunian, Gershwin, Templeton and more with Leo Sushansky Artistic Director/violin, Kathryn Brake piano, Uri Wassertzug viola. Saturday, Jan. 12 at 7:30 p.m. Rosslyn Spectrum Theatre at Artisphere, 1611 N. Kent Street (off Wilson Blvd.). \$28 Adult and \$15 Student. Tickets by phone at 888-841-2787 or visit www.NationalChamberEnsemble.org.

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THURSDAY/FEB. 21 THROUGH SUNDAY/MAY 19

International Design Festival. Look around "The Next Wave: Industrial Design Innovation in the 21st Century" at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. Free. Features pieces from Spain, Italy, Belgium, Scandinavia and more. Visit www.artisphere.com or 703-875-1100.

THURSDAY/FEB. 21

Opening Reception. 7-10 p.m. at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. Look around "The Next Wave: Industrial Design Innovation in the 21st Century." Free. Features pieces from Spain, Italy, Belgium, Scandinavia and more. Visit www.artisphere.com or 703-875-1100.

THURSDAY/FEB. 21 THROUGH SUNDAY/MAY 19

Juxtaposed: An Interactive Photo Contest. Participants can send in a photograph that blends objects that convey wit, symbolism and/or deeper meaning. Contest runs in conjunction with "The Next Wave: Industrial Design Innovation in the 21st Century" exhibit. Upload photos to www.flickr.com/photos/apartmentzero1. Free. Visit www.artisphere.com for more.

FRIDAY/FEB. 22

Music. C.J. Chenier and the Red Hot Louisiana Band performs at 8:30 p.m. with dance lessons at 7:30 p.m. in the ballroom at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. \$20. Visit www.artisphere.com or 703-875-1100.

THROUGH SUNDAY/FEB. 24

Exhibit. Korean-born artist Si Jae Byun addresses the relationship of nature and architecture in a series of works in Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd., that juxtapose images and structures associated with the construction of a city apartment with those of nature and even the human body. Free. Visit www.artisphere.com or 703-875-1100.

SATURDAY/MARCH 2

Panel. 5-6:30 p.m. at Artisphere, 1101 Wilson Blvd. Enjoy a conversation on "Who's Hot, Who's Not: The Role of Women in Today's Male Dominated Industrial Design Field." A reception follows. Free. Visit www.artisphere.com or 703-875-1100.

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Wakefield Boys' Basketball Suffers First District Loss

The Wakefield boys' basketball team failed to hold a nine-point halftime lead against Hayfield on Jan. 4 and suffered its first National District loss, 50-49. The Warriors fell to 8-4 overall, 3-1 in the district.

According to stats from the Washington Post Web site, Khory Moore led Wakefield with 17 points against Hayfield. The senior guard is averaging 14.7 points per contest.

SPORTS BRIEFS Ermias Nega had 13 points and is averaging 17.3 per game. Xavier Cooper had seven points, and Jalen Carver and Requan Hopson each had five.

Wakefield faced Stuart on Tuesday, after The Connection's deadline. The Warriors will host Yorktown at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 11.

Wakefield Girls' Basketball Improves to 3-1 in District

The Wakefield girls' basketball team defeated Hayfield, 48-35, on Jan. 4, improving its National District record to 3-1.

Kaitlyn Lyons scored a team-high 12 points and grabbed six rebounds for Wakefield. Demia Smith-Bingham finished with eight points, nine rebounds and five blocks for the Warriors.

Wakefield played Stuart on Tuesday, after The Connection's deadline. The Warriors will host Yorktown at 5:45 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 11.

Yorktown Boys' Basketball Beats W-L in OT

The Yorktown boys' basketball team defeated Washington-Lee, 57-50, in overtime on Jan. 4. The Patriots improved to 5-6 overall and 2-2 in the National District. The Generals fell to 5-6, including 1-3 in the district.

According to stats from the Washington Post's Web site, Yorktown's Nick Yore led all scorers with 18 points. Zack Esherrick had 16 points for the Patriots, Matt Pietropaoli had nine points and Thomas Molnar had seven.

Jonah Sens led W-L with 13 points. Kellen Blake had 11 points and Alex Coppa had nine.

Yorktown faced Mount Vernon on Tuesday, after The Connection's deadline. The Patriots will travel to face Wakefield at 7:30 on Friday, Jan. 11.

W-L faced Falls Church on Jan. 8, after The Connection's deadline. The Generals will host Edison at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 11.



Khory Moore, seen against Fairfax on Nov. 30, and the Wakefield boys' basketball team suffered its first National District loss on Jan. 4 against Hayfield.

W-L Girls' Basketball Defeats Yorktown

The Washington-Lee girls' basketball team beat Yorktown, 44-32, on Jan. 4.

The Generals improved to 6-5 overall, including 2-2 in the National District. Yorktown fell to 3-8, 2-2 in the district.

According to stats from the Washington Post's Web site, W-Ls Tatianna Torres led all scorers with 23 points. She made 13 of 17 free-throw attempts. Marie Serfis had nine points for the Generals.

Ellen Nye had 16 points for Yorktown and Tierney Patton added eight.

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O'Connell Boys' Basketball Improves to 12-1

The Bishop O'Connell boys' basketball team improved to 12-1 with a 53-50 victory against Paul VI on Jan. 6.

The Knights are ranked No. 2 in the Washington Post's top 20.

According to stats from the Post's Web site, Leroy Butts scored 15 points and

grabbed eight rebounds against PVI. Romelo Trimble finished with 12 points and 12 rebounds.

O'Connell faced Bishop McNamara on Tuesday, after The Connection's deadline. The Knights will host DeMatha at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 11.

O'Connell Girls' Basketball Loses to PVI

The Bishop O'Connell girls' basketball team fell to Paul VI, 56-41, on Jan. 6. The Knights fell to 4-6.

According to stats from the Washington Post's Web site, Tori Morris led O'Connell with 20 points. Ashley Jean finished with eight for the Knights.

O'Connell faced Bishop McNamara on Tuesday, after The Connection's deadline. The Knights will travel to face Elizabeth Seton at 7 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 11.

Yorktown Swim and Dive Teams Remain Undefeated

The Yorktown swim and dive teams returned to the pool after the holiday break to face Stuart High School. Both teams won their meets and remain undefeated. The girls' team won, 220.5-91.5, and the boys' team won, 217-96.

The boys' team won its meet against Stuart with 11 first-place wins in the 12 events.

Max Fish was a double winner with first-place finishes in the 100 fly and 500 free. Individual wins also came from Jacob Larsen (200 free), George Cranwell (200 IM), Drew Hindman (diving), David Emson (100 free), Andrew Loranger (100 back) and Brady Almand (100 breast). The boys also won the three relay events: 200 medley relay (Larsen, Fish, Emson and Almand); 200 free relay (Almand, Emson, Fish and Mike Poppalardo); and 400 free relay (Jason Henley, Henry Love, Poppalardo, and Griffin Romanek).

The girls' team sealed its win against Stuart with 12 first-place finishes. Individual wins came from Kaitlin Luncher (200 free), Abigail Young (200 IM), Elena Bavalack (diving), Lauren Allard (50 free), Suzanne Dolan (100 fly), Ellie Belilos (100 free), Amanda Didawick (100 back), Elizabeth Romano (500 free) and Rachel Robertson (100 breast). The girls also won the three relay events: 200 medley relay (Belilos, Young, Didawick and Dolan); 200 free relay (Didawick, Dolan, Belilos and Young); and the 400 free relay (Young, Didawick, Belilos and Dolan).

The Yorktown Patriots return to the pool on Friday, Jan. 11, with a meet against Falls Church High School at the Yorktown Pool. The meets begin with diving at 6:30 p.m.

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Jack Frost poses for a photo with Lianne and Nina Cherry.



Jessica Shearer as a sugar plum fairy sprinkles snow dust as guests visit with Santa Claus.



Winter Wonderland

The Figgy Pudding Carolers sing as guests arrive to see Santa Claus during a winter festival.

Bryce, 7 months old, waits for his turn to see Santa Claus.



Marianne Wittesberger greets guests as they enter a Winter Wonderland at Market Common Clarendon on Dec. 15.



CALENDAR

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required. Free. At Gulf Branch Nature Center, 3608 Military Road.

Author Talk. 3 p.m. at One More Page, 2200 N. Westmoreland St. Luis Alberto Urrea will discuss his book "Queen of America: A Novel." Free. Visit www.onemorepagebooks.com or 703-300-9746.

See, Hear, Sketch: Rabbits in the Snow. 2:30 p.m. at Long Branch Nature Center, 625 S. Carlin Springs Road. Children ages 5-9 can learn about the Eastern cottontail and how to draw a rabbit in the snow. \$5 due at registration. 703-228-6535.

Capital Steps. 5-7 p.m. at Yorktown High School, 5200 Yorktown Blvd. See D.C.'s Capitol Steps and help Yorktown's Theatre Arts Department raise funds. \$40/advance; \$45/door. Visit yhsccapitolsteps.eventbrite.com.

THROUGH JAN. 13

Musical: Dreamgirls. Part of Signature Theatre's 2012/2013 season, playing for 8 weeks in the MAX Theatre. Tickets start at \$40. Visit www.signature-theatre.org. Signature Theatre is located at 4200 Campbell Ave.

MONDAY/JAN. 14

Lecture. 3 p.m. at Arlington Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St. Encore Learning is sponsoring a lecture on "The Threat of Nuclear Iran in the Middle East." Free. 703-228-2144.

TUESDAY/JAN. 15

Book Club. 7 p.m. at One More Page, 2200 N. Westmoreland St. Discuss "The Crossing Places" by Elly



David Gram, as Aubrey, in "The Show-Off."

Griffiths. Free. Call 703-300-9746 or visit www.onemorepagebooks.com.

WEDNESDAY/JAN. 16

Wine Tasting. 6:30 p.m. at One More Page, 2200 N. Westmoreland St. Come taste wine and browse some books. Free. Call 703-300-9746 or visit www.onemorepagebooks.com.

Pay What you Can Performance. 8 p.m. The American Century Theater presents "The Show Off" by George Kelly at Gunston Performing Arts Center's Theatre Two, 2700 S. Lang St. Buy tickets at americancentury.org or 703-998-4555.

THURSDAY/JAN. 17

Speaker. 11 a.m. at Little Falls

Presbyterian Church, 6025 Little Falls Road. Designer Bryan Swann from Karin's Florist will speak about spring designs with a twist. Free, with a \$5 lunch option. RSVP by Jan. 10 to rockspringgardenclub@gmail.com or www.rockspringgardenclub.com.
Post Show Talk-Back. 8 p.m. The American Century Theater presents "The Show Off" by George Kelly at Gunston Performing Arts Center's Theatre Two, 2700 S. Lang St. Buy tickets at americancentury.org or 703-998-4555.

FRIDAY/JAN. 18

Performance. Encore Stage & Studio presents "Honk, Jr.," a retelling of "The Ugly Duckling," at 7:30 p.m. at Thomas Jefferson Community

'The Show-Off'

The American Century Theater will begin the new year with "The Show-Off" by George Kelly. Egotistical braggart Aubrey Piper blows into the lives of the Fishers, regaling them with fantastic tales of his past success and bright future while winning the heart of daughter Amy. The family's attempts to cope with this master exaggerator, and his endeavors to set the record straight when caught in his own fabrications, made this 1926 parlor comedy a hit Broadway show and twice-produced film.

Director Stephen Jarrett returns to TACT to direct an ensemble cast that includes Lee Mikeska Gardner as Mrs. Fisher and Craig Miller as Mr. Fisher. Newcomers David Gram and Erin E. McGuff play the roles of Aubrey and Amy. The ensemble includes Jenna Berk, Joe Cronin, Evan Crump, Nello DeBlasio and Bill Gordon.

"The Show-Off" runs Jan. 11-Feb. 2, Thursday through Saturday evenings at 8 p.m. with Saturday/Sunday matinees at 2:30 p.m. (no matinee Jan. 12). Tickets can be ordered online at americancentury.org or by calling 703-998-4555.

Pay-what-you-can preview on Thursday, Jan. 10 at 8 p.m., pay-what-you-can performance on Wednesday, Jan. 16 at 8 p.m. and a post-show talk-back on Thursday, Jan. 17.

Theatre, 125 S. Old Glebe Road. \$12/adults, \$10/children, students and seniors. Tickets online at www.encorestage.org or 703-548-1154.

Opening Reception. Marymount University Barry Gallery, 2807 N. Glebe Road, will showcase "Manufactured Reality: Computer Generated Art" by Richard L. Dana, James Huckenpahler and Don Kimes. Free. Each piece of art will jolt the viewer with the unexpected. 703-284-1561.

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SATURDAY/JAN. 19

Performance. Encore Stage & Studio presents "Honk, Jr.," a retelling of "The Ugly Duckling," at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. at Thomas Jefferson Community Theatre, 125 S. Old Glebe Road. \$12/adults, \$10/children, students and seniors. Tickets at 703-548-1154 or online www.encorestage.org.

SUNDAY/JAN. 20

Tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr. 7-9 p.m. at Washington-Lee High School, 1301 N. Stafford St. Enjoy live music, volunteer fair, photo gallery and more. Non-perishable food donations welcome. Visit www.arlingtonva.us/mlk for more.
Remove Invasive Plants. 2-5 p.m. at Long Branch Nature Center, 625 S. Carlin Springs Road. Adults, families and teens can help. Free. 703-228-6535.

JAN. 20 THROUGH FEB. 17

Young Choreographers Competition. Dancers 14-18 years old can enter BalletNova's competition. Applicants must submit a 3-5 minute videotape featuring 3-8 dancers, a short essay and a recommendation from their teacher. Five finalists will be chosen by judges and then the public can vote for their favorite. For more information and applications, contact info@BalletNova.org, or go to the website at www.BalletNova.org.

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