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Members of the Special Forces Association Chapter XI Kevin Knapp, Wallace Johnson, George Huff, Lynn B. Mariano and Ray Oden gather at the The Captain Rocky Versace Plaza and Vietnam Veterans' Memorial on Veterans Day, Nov. 11. The memorial honors the 67 men from Alexandria who either died in Vietnam or remain missing in action.

## Honoring Veterans' Service, Sacrifice



Brig. General (USA, ret.) John W. Nicholson Sr., a West Point graduate and friend of Rocky Versace, opens up his keynote address with the first of many personal stories of how his life crossed with Rocky Versace's through college and in Vietnam. Nicholson was part of three rescue attempts while Versace was known to be alive and held captive during the Vietnam War.



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Sheriff Dana Lawhorne and Deputy Police Chief David Huchler.



Brig. General (USA, ret.) John W. Nicholson Sr. shares a story with Rocky Versace's brother Dr. Stephen Versace.

## Eminent Domain Preliminaries

City, Boat Club lay out arguments in parking lot dispute.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN  
GAZETTE PACKET

In a likely rehearsal of arguments to be made at next week's public hearing before City Council, the Old Dominion Boat Club and the City of Alexandria made presentations before a standing room only crowd of more than 100 people Nov. 7 to discuss the potential use of eminent domain to seize the club's parking lot in Old Town.

According to Deputy City Manager Mark Jinks, the use of eminent domain may be necessary to seize the half-acre waterfront lot in order to implement public access to the Potomac River at the site city planners hope to develop as Fitzgerald Square, a park-like area that includes plans for an ice skating rink and additional water taxi docks.

"The city's goals and the boat club's goals remain far apart," said Jinks, who described years of attempts to negotiate a resolution with the club.

Held in the Sister Cities conference room at City Hall, the two and a half hour meeting was called by the Waterfront Commission in an attempt to better understand the outstanding issues between the parties before weighing in with a recommendation of its own at a public hearing scheduled for Nov. 19.

After taking questions from commission representatives, members of the public were allowed to ask questions of Jinks and Boat Club Board of Governors president Eric DeSoto.

In his remarks to the commission, DeSoto outlined the club's offer to provide a public walkway

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## Transportation Visionary Murdered

Police find body of Ron Kirby with multiple gunshot wounds at his house in Rosemont.

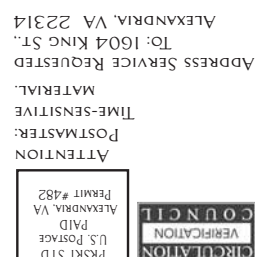
BY MICHAEL LEE POPE  
GAZETTE PACKET

Rosemont became the scene of a murder this week when one of the region's leading transportation

experts was found dead in his home on Elm Street. Alexandria police say Ron Kirby, 69, died of multiple gunshot wounds.

"Rosemont is a very safe neighborhood," said Ashley

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## Remembering Inman

The past few weeks have been difficult for members of the Alexandria City Council, who have been mourning the loss of former Councilwoman Lois Walker and former Vice Mayor Mel Bergheim. This week brought yet another loss, former Vice Mayor Marlee Inman, the first Republican woman elected to the Alexandria City Council.

"Our prayers and condolences are extended to the Inman family," said Mayor Bill Euille during Tuesday night's council meeting, calling for a moment of silence in her honor.

First elected to the City Council in 1979, Inman became vice mayor in 1985. The following year, she resigned to get married and move to South Carolina.

"She was a pioneer of Republican politics in the city," said Chris Marston, former chairman of the Alexandria City Republican Committee.

## Delinquent Taxpayers

As the old saying goes, there's only two certainties in life, death and taxes. At Alexandria City Hall, there's one more certainty. Those who don't pay their taxes will find themselves in trouble.

This week, members of the Alexandria City Council authorized City Manager Rashad Young to advertise delinquent tax listings greater than \$1,000. According to a list released by city officials, Marpech Investment Group on Colvin Street has the largest unpaid bill, owing Alexandria more than \$137,000. Other delinquents on the list include Soung or Eun Lee on South Fayette Street (\$43,000), Juanite Lyles and Thomas Owen on Duke Street (\$35,000) and A.J. King Properties (\$34,000) on King Street.

## Childish Ideas

Do you have an opinion about what should happen to the children of Alexandria? City officials want to hear from you.

A draft edition of the Children and Families Master Plan has been posted to the city's website, and Alexandria leaders want to hear from citizens. The public comment period comes at a time when the Alexandria School Board is seeking to hire a new superintendent of schools, yet another process that involves public input. Alexandria leaders say they want to hear from residents on both issues, and they say issuing feedback is as easy as sending an email.

"I would encourage people to do so," said Councilman Tim Lovain during Tuesday's City Council meeting.

## Headcount at Schools

Speaking of Alexandria children, the final enrollment numbers for this year are in — and they are showing yet another increase in enrollment for the city's crowded classrooms. The total is 13,562 students, an increase of 530 individuals.

"The good news is that overall, our projection was under by 0.37 percent," said Councilman Justin Wilson, who serves on the long-range educational facilities group. "So we were pretty much right on target."

The numbers show a slight decrease in the number of Kindergarten students entering the system, a surprise to school officials who have seen those numbers steadily growing in recent years. On the flip side, ninth grade enrollment was larger than expected.

"So what you're saying is that kids are not going to Kindergarten," joked the mayor. "They are going right into the ninth grade."

"They are so advanced, they are skipping right to ninth grade," responded Wilson.

— MICHAEL LEE POPE

# Dry Mouth

Regulators crack down on wine tastings at retail establishments that have restaurants.

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE  
GAZETTE PACKET

When Cheesetique became so popular that owner Jill Erber expanded from a retail operation to a restaurant, she didn't realize that her wine tastings would become outlaw affairs. But that's exactly what happened. A few months ago, Virginia Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control chief operating officer Curtis Coleburn issued a letter informing wholesale wine and beer licensees that they are not permitted to participate in tasting events.

"At a recent meeting attended by wine and beer wholesale licensees, the question was addressed to members of the bureau's compliance unit concerning the legality of wholesale licensees participating in wine dinners sponsored by retail licensees," Coleburn wrote. "Those in attendance of this meeting were advised that wholesale licensees or their employees where not permitted to participate in these type of events."

Since that meeting, a firestorm has erupted in the wine community. Retail outlets such as Wine Planet in Del Ray are fine. But a growing number of restaurants that also have retail operations are the target of regulatory agents. Here in Alexandria, that list includes Cheesetique, Society Fair and Grape + Bean. Unlike wine shops or grocery stores, these establishments run afoul of 1930s-era legislation designed to prohibit alcohol consumption. "We are committed to ensuring that there is equal access to these opportunities," said Kristian Havard, director of government affairs for the Virginia Hospitality and Travel Association. "This certainly is an initiative of high importance for us."

**VIRGINIA'S LIQUOR** laws date to the end of prohibition, when the state created a monopoly on the sale of distilled spirits, which can be purchased only in state-owned institutions. That's when a series of rules were created to limit alcohol consumption. One of the rules,

for example, was that restaurants were forbidden from mixing wine and spirits. That made sangria illegal until state Sen. Adam Ebbin (D-30) introduced legislation to change the rules. "It was clearly an antiquated law that needed to be done away with," said Ebbin, who is now involved with the effort to change law regulating wholesalers.

Ebbin is working with Del. David Bulova (D-37) and Del. Rob Krupicka (D-45) to change the existing law to provide more flexibility. Draft legislation is still being crafted at this point, but the general idea is to allow establishments such as Cheesetique, Society Fair and Grape + Bean to allow wine tastings without fear of a regulatory crackdown. "A number of these places have been breaking the law for years, quite frankly," said Krupicka. "Fixing it requires a change in state code."

**CHANGING THE COMMONWEALTH'S** liquor laws can be challenging, though, as Ebbin's experience with sangria proves. Conservative legislators from across Virginia frequently oppose any legislation that might provide more opportunity for people to drink alcohol. Then there's potential opposition from wineries and retail establishments that have a competitive advantage under the current law.

"It's a twofold fix," said Havard. "We have to fix it in the General Assembly, and then once we have the legislation we also work with the ABC board to ensure that the regulations properly interpret the legislation."

Changes to Virginia liquor laws often involve balancing the interest of three distinct groups — producers, distributors and retailers. Each has its own business interest in any proposed legislative change, and each would likely have lobbyists closely monitoring the conversation. That's why legislators are trying to be proactive to figure out how a bill might be crafted to gain support. "Tastings blur the lines between producers, distributors and retailers," said Krupicka. "If not managed properly, folks might feel like they are not being treated properly."

## Celebrating Farm to Table Week

Students at George Mason Elementary School took turns harvesting sweet potatoes from the outdoor classroom gardens last week as part of "Farm to Table Week." After digging up the bright orange potatoes from the garden plot, the students washed and dried the potatoes. On Nov. 7, the sweet potatoes were roasted and each student was able to sample a taste during lunch.

The Children's Gardens at Alexandria City Public Schools are outdoor classrooms where students extend their learning to the natural world. Children learn about plant needs and plant parts while tracking the growth of vegetables.

— WENDY SPARROW



The sweet potatoes are scrubbed, washed and dried.

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A barrel begins to fill with the fall harvest of sweet potatoes.







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# Keeping Kids Warm

**Firefighters distribute 2,200 coats to children in need.**

BY JEANNE THEISMANN  
GAZETTE PACKET

**F**uture First Lady of Virginia Dorothy McAuliffe joined Fairfax County Fire Chief Richard Bowers Oct. 30 at Penn Daw Station 11 as the Firefighters Coats for Kids Foundation and Operation Warm distributed more than 2,200 new coats to children in need.

"The big difference this year is that most of our coats were made in America," said Capt. Willie Bailey, founder of the Firefighters Coats for Kids program. "We started this in Northern Virginia and now it has spread to over 50 other fire departments and unions throughout the country." Spearheaded for several years by Bailey and members of the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department, this year's coat drive is the third since joining forces with the Pennsylvania-based nonprofit Operation Warm and focused on distributing coats that were made in the U.S.A.

"By collecting and purchasing coats that were made in America, we helped save over 200 jobs in the U.S.A.," Bailey said.

Primo's Restaurant provided food for the dozens of retired firefighters and volunteers who gathered before dawn to sort through the coats and prepare



PHOTO BY ELLIOTT RUBINO

**Coats for Kids founder Capt. Willie Bailey receives congratulations from U.S. Rep. Jim Moran (D-8).**

them for distribution to representatives of 60 area schools and nonprofit organizations.

Additional sponsors of the coat drive include Local 2068, Progressive Firefighters of Fairfax County, Kilroy's Restaurant & Sports Bar, Apple Federal Credit Union, Fire & Rescue Retirement Association, Fairfax County Federation of Teachers, Service Employees International Union -VA 512, Rotary Club of Tysons Corner, Nationwide Credit Corp., Promax Realtors, ACT for Alexandria, Modern Tech Solutions, Alexandria Pest Services and Rutherford of Alexandria.

"This is a wonderful program," said ACT for Alexandria Executive Director John Porter. "Combined with Operation Warm, Coats for Kids has exceeded all expectations in providing coats to children in Alexandria and throughout Fairfax County."

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## PEOPLE



**Laura Lawler, center, is presented the Campagna Center Founder's Award Sept 24 by the Athenaeum by board chairman Jay Beckhorn and CEO Tammy Mann.**



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**Lonnie Rich, left, accepts the Campagna Center Board Service Award from Jay Beckhorn, chairman of the board of directors, and CEO Tammy Mann.**

## Campagna Center Honors Supporters

### Lawler receives volunteer award.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN  
GAZETTE PACKET

**T**he historic Athenaeum was the setting for the 2013 Campagna Center Donor Reception that recognized the service of several individuals for their commitment to the organization.

Longtime volunteer Laura Lawler received the Founder's Award, established in 1987 to honor the dedicated service and commitment of George and Marion Galland. The award recognizes a member of the Campagna Center organization for his or her faithful service.

"Laura has been involved with the Center for decades as a Junior Friend, Supporting Friend, Finance Committee Member, and currently serves as treasurer," said

president and CEO Tammy Mann. "We are very grateful for her dedication and service."

The Institute for Defense Analysis was honored as the Community Partner of the Year for its nearly eight-year support of the Building Better Futures Program. Building Better Futures provides over 40 tutors and mentors each academic year in support of immigrant and low income students at T.C. Williams High School.

"The program is celebrating 10 years of service and has reached nearly 1,000 young people since its founding," Mann said. IDA staff members Keith Green and Daniel Wright were on hand to receive the award.

The Board Service Award was presented to Lonnie Rich and Bob Bell, who was unable to attend the ceremony.

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# City Loses Wales Alley Case

## Virginia Supreme Court rules against city in fight with Old Dominion Boat Club.

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE  
GAZETTE PACKET

Justices of the Virginia Supreme Court have rejected the argument City Attorney James Banks outlined during oral arguments back in September that the city has the ability to lease a public alley to a private business. At issue in the case is Wales Alley, which members of the Old Dominion Boat Club say they have a right to use dating back to the 18th century. When members of the Alexandria City Council leased the alley to Virtue restaurant in 2010, the club filed a lawsuit. During oral arguments back in September, the justices seemed to indicate the city didn't have much of a case.

"Your argument is premised on something that is not correct," Chief Justice Cynthia Kinser told Banks at one point. "You haven't told us how the easement gets swept up."

Banks tried to make the case that the city dedicated the alley a public street by actions if not by explicit action. Under the city attorney's theory, the private rights was extinguished in the 1970s when city officials began clearing snow, filling potholes and issuing parking tickets. Last week, justices issued an opinion rejecting that argument: "Because the conversion of Wales Alley to a public street did not result in a

cessation of the purpose for which the easement was granted, ODBC's easement over Wales Alley was not extinguished when Wales Alley became a public street."

**THE STORY** of Wales Alley dates back to 1789, a few years before Alexandria became part of the original District of Columbia. It was originally called Fitzgerald Alley in honor of Alexandria Mayor John Fitzgerald, one of the major landowners in the city. By 1786, people started calling it Wales Alley when Andrew Wales started selling beer there. Three years later, Fitzgerald and Maryland businessman Valentine Peers divided their holdings, securing a deed that allowed for "free use and passage of the several streets and alleys."

That deed, now held by the Old Dominion Boat Club, was at the heart of the legal case. For leaders of the Boat Club, the fight to keep Wales Alley open is only one of a series of disputes with city officials, who are

currently threatening to use the power of eminent domain against the club to accomplish the goals of their waterfront plan. That ongoing feud was part of the debate in 2010 when a majority of City Council members approved a lease to Virtue restaurant.

"The citizens of Alexandria and the Old Dominion Boat Club spent hundreds of thousands of dollars in legal fees to find out the city attorney was incorrect," said former Republican City Councilman Frank Fannon, who is a member of the Boat Club. "We need to have a city attorney who will tell the City Council what the law is, not what the majority of City Council members want it to be."

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— Former City Councilman Frank Fannon

**THE CITY'S ONGOING** fight with the Boat Club is not over. Now that Alexandria Mayor Bill Euille has abandoned his long-time opposition to using eminent domain against the Boat Club, city officials have scheduled a Nov. 19 public hearing on the

issue. For Euille and city leaders who invested time and attention to fighting the Boat Club over Wales Alley, the Virginia Supreme Court ruling was a setback.

"We are disappointed by this ruling, but we accept it," said Euille in a written statement. "However, this does not affect our implementation of the adopted Waterfront small-area plan."

At issue in that conflict is a waterfront parking lot and boat launch at the foot of King Street, which the waterfront plan envisions as a public park. The Boat Club is offering an easement across the east side of parking lot as a compromise, although city officials are pressing ahead with the public hearing. Meanwhile, the fate of Virtue's special-use permit allowing outdoor dining remains unclear. Although the license agreement includes an annual fee of \$14,000, city officials never collected any money to lease Wales Alley because the lawsuit was pending.

"The Supreme Court remanded the case back to the Circuit Court," said Deputy City Attorney Chris Spera in an email response to questions. "It would be the Circuit Court's order that would regulate the parties. No order has been entered by the Circuit Court yet."

City officials say an appeal of the Supreme Court's decision is unlikely.

## City, Boat Club Lay Out Arguments in Parking Lot Dispute

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along the waterfront edge of its parking lot as well as a sidewalk along the Strand. But DeSoto also said that the club prefers to retain ownership of its property and has suggested the option of a lease agreement or easement for public access. Jinks, however, said the city wants to own the property outright "because it's simpler that way," a comment that prompted jeers from the

crowd.

The property located at the foot of King Street in Old Town has been at the center of lawsuits and property disputes since the 1970s. The city has considered the use of eminent domain in the past but backed down from the threat in 2005 in hopes that negotiations with the club could move forward.

The two sides resumed negotiations earlier this year with DeSoto seeking an agreement that also resolves the outstanding issue of the club's ownership of 2 King St. and The Strand. A dispute involving the club's right to an easement in Wales Alley was decided in the club's favor last month by the Virginia State Supreme Court.

But Jinks said the club has been slow to respond to the city's compromises, leading Mayor Bill Euille to publicly announce Oct. 8 that City Council is considering seizing the land through eminent domain.

"Insanity is doing the same thing over and over and expecting a different result," Jinks said. "We need to move this discussion forward."

DeSoto disagreed, saying that progress is being made but a settlement resolving all remaining issues between the two parties is in the best interest of everyone.

"We don't want to be back in front of this commission again," DeSoto said. "We want to reach a settlement that resolves all of the outstanding issues between the Boat Club and the city. We are trying to be good neigh-



**Representatives of the Old Dominion Boat Club and the City of Alexandria give a presentation to members of the Waterfront Commission Nov. 7 as part of the ongoing debate over the use of eminent domain to seize the club's Old Town parking lot.**



**Former Waterfront Task Force member Bob Wood, left, talks with Founders Park Community Association board president Howard Bergman following the meeting.**

bors."

The commissioners and audience members who spoke were in general agreement that the parties may not be as far apart as Jinks suggests. The club is willing to reduce its parking lot from 20,000 square feet to approximately 15,000 square feet to accommodate the city's needs, while the city is insisting on taking over all but 11,500 square feet, a difference of 3,500 square feet.

"The reality is, the Boat Club owns Boardwalk and Park Place," commission member

Doug Gosnell said to Jinks in a reference to the popular real estate board game Monopoly. "So you may need to give up Pennsylvania Avenue to get to a resolution that works for everyone."

The Waterfront Commission will vote on a recommendation for City Council at its regularly scheduled meeting Nov. 19 at 7:30 a.m. The public hearing to discuss the use of eminent domain begins that night at 6 p.m. and documents presented by both sides to the commission are available for viewing at [www.alexandriava.gov/Waterfront](http://www.alexandriava.gov/Waterfront).





**Bryan and Irene McGee, Maria Ward, Colin Campbell, Ball chair Eva Lanyi, emcee Jay Andrews and dance instructors Elaine Brunken and Ron Wallace.**

## Welcome to the 30th Argyle Ball

**P**iper Samuel Potter led more than 100 Scottish Country dancers in a grand march to officially open the 30th Argyle Ball on Saturday evening, Nov. 9. The ball was held in the gym at the St. Stephens St. Agnes lower school in Alexandria.

The Argyle Ball is an annual event for members of the Royal Scottish Country Dancing Society, Northern Virginia Branch. This year's Argyle Weekend hosted a variety of activities for members and guests that included a welcome dance Friday evening, technique and social classes on Saturday

before the ball, a potluck brunch on Sunday along with a specialty dance class with Ron Wallace and a fiddle workshop with special guest fiddler from Scotland Paul Anderson. For more information on the dancing society visit <http://www.rscds-greaterdc.org/>



**Piper Samuel Potter leads the dancers onto the dance floor for the 30th annual Argyle Ball on Saturday evening.**



**Ball chair Eva Lanyi, emcee Jay Andrews and dance instructors Elaine Brunken and Ron Wallace.**

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LOUISE KRAFFT  
GAZETTE PACKET



**Rosalie and Evan Duncan socialize with friends at the sherry party before the Argyle Ball on Saturday evening.**



**Waverley Station with David Knight on fiddle, Liz Donaldson on piano, Ralph Gordon on bass and cello and also featuring special guest fiddler from Scotland Paul Anderson perform the music at the ball.**

## A Reward for Serving Operation Enduring Opportunity benefits veterans.

BY PHILLIP JOHNSON  
GAZETTE PACKET

**O**n a chilly Tuesday morning, Nov. 5, U.S. Navy veteran Wade Franklin opened up the doors of his new small business at 3033 Wilson Blvd. in Arlington. He and his staff usually greet the incoming customers of the veteran-owned and operated UPS store with a smile and courteous customer service, but today was different. Instead representatives from various agencies were there to mark the anniversary of the launch of Operation Enduring Opportunity.

Like most veterans coming out of the

Armed Forces, Franklin was faced with a transition from military to civilian. In these difficult economic times, with the exception of Starbucks, UPS and a few others, employment in the private sector that provides both competitive pay and benefits is a precious commodity. For many, the military is one of the few good options; one gets a traditional pension after a 20-year career, and there are several options for those serving as few as six years. The economic downturn has placed these benefits on the chopping block as well. Some programs, which benefit veterans like Wade Franklin, may not even exist in a few years time.

"It's an excellent opportunity for those transitioning, it's a resource to educate,"



**U.S. Navy Veteran Wade Franklin owns and operates a UPS store in Clarendon thanks to the program VET-FRAN.**

Franklin said, referring to the variety of programs offered for veterans.

Franklin doesn't receive a pension from his military service. There are benefits, other than a pension, that provide the support needed for veterans to stay afloat and move forward, including the new G.I. Bill, the program that provides veterans and their families with a paid pathway to higher education and certifications, and VET-FRAN to name two.

"I learned about this program called VET-FRAN, and it was an opportunity to work for yourself, it educates you on what franchising is and the programs offer incentives as well," Franklin said. "The incentive I have is that my franchise fee was waived and that expense,

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## PEOPLE

# A Toast to 25 Years

SCAN celebrates silver anniversary.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN  
GAZETTE PACKET

**M**ore than 300 guests turned out Nov. 2 to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Stop Child Abuse Now (SCAN), raising a record-breaking \$95,000 for child abuse prevention programs.

Held in the atrium of the U.S. Patent and Trade Office, the 11th annual Toast to Hope featured a special check presentation to SCAN founder Dave Cleary by board alumni and former executive directors who collectively donated more than \$25,000 to honor SCAN's 25th anniversary.

Dave and Carol Cleary and The Katz Family were lead sponsors of the event that featured tasting samples from more than 12 local businesses including Tempo Restaurant, Dishes of India, Virginia Imports and Forge Brew Works. Other sponsors included Burke & Herbert Bank, Creative Elegance Interiors, McEneaney Realtors and Diversified Construction & Handyman Services. Wendy Albert and Tempo Restaurant received the evening's Culinary Award, which was voted for by attendees and presented by Dominion Power. "An investment in SCAN is an investment in a child's future," said SCAN executive director Sonia Quinonez, who noted that all proceeds will benefit SCAN's child abuse and neglect prevention programs, including parent education, public awareness and the Alexandria/Arlington Court Appointed Special Advocate Program. For more information, call 703-820-9001 or visit [www.scanva.org](http://www.scanva.org).



Chadwick's executive chef Michael Tam and Kat Scott.



Jim Walsh, Elsie Moscardo and Linda Johnson



Allison and Robert DiNardo and former SCAN executive director Diane Charles.



Fred Gordon and Grace Robbins sample food from A Taste of India.



Kim Fiske, right, presents SCAN founder Dave Cleary with a check from the SCAN Alumni Board Members for \$25,575 as former executive director Diane Charles looks on.



SCAN executive director Sonia Quinonez, front left, joins board of directors alumni for a group photo after founder Dave Cleary was presented with a check for \$25,575.



The People's Choice Culinary Award is presented to Tempo Restaurant owner and executive chef Wendy Albert.



Sandy Collum, Dave Hawkins and Charlie Collum



Laura Walsh, Maria Deloria Knoll, SCAN founder Dave Cleary and Joyce Bliss.



Kathleen Cox and Susan Heck



John and Valerie Smith



# OPINION

## Proof Every Vote Matters

Elections have consequences, including close races.

**T**uesday morning, a full week after an Election Day that included races that were more suspenseful than anticipated (and also many races that were foregone conclusions), we are probably more than a month away from certifying the winner of the Virginia Attorney General race.

At press time, the State Board of Elections reported, unofficially, that Mark Herring (D) had 1,103,610 votes with 49.89 percent of the vote; Mark Obenshain (R) had 1,103,493 votes with 49.88 percent of the vote. The 5,152

write-in votes are huge in a race that at one point had Obenshain ahead by 15 votes.

The process of canvassing or verifying the vote has been revealing, including a malfunctioning voting machine that had more than 2,000 votes uncounted in Fairfax County, a voting machine in Richmond that hadn't been counted at all and many smaller errors. Human error and computer error are to be expected.

It will make a difference which man is elected as Attorney General. The current Attorney General, Ken Cuccinelli, demonstrated the influence that office can exert on many fronts, from academic freedom and scrutiny to the challenge of health care reform to implementation of environmental regulations to investigations of the household staff of the Governor's mansion.

Del. Tom Rust (R) won reelection by just 57

votes, with 50.1 percent of the vote over Jennifer Boysko with 49.74 percent. Del. Barbara Comstock (R) won reelection with 50.64 percent of the vote over Kathleen Murphy (D) who received 49.19 percent, a margin of less than 500 votes. All results are still unofficial.

Consider another close race, in November 2007: then state Sen. Ken Cuccinelli (R-37) won re-election by less than one-half of a percentage point, with an edge of just 92 votes out of 37,185 ballots cast, beating Democrat Janet Oleszek. Approximately 32 percent of registered voters in the 37th District cast ballots at the polls in that election.

Retiring Del. Jim Scott was elected in 1991 with a margin of a single vote.

Just a few of many examples that prove that every vote really does matter.

— MARY KIMM,

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### EDITORIAL

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Eminent Domain Affects All

To the Editor:

Next week the Alexandria City Council will hold a public hearing to discuss eminent domain on a private property owner in Alexandria. This should be a concern for all the 40,000 plus property owners in the city.

The Old Dominion Boat Club has owned this property since the 1930s and has been paying its property tax bill since then to fund our city government. Property owners represent less than 50 percent of the population of the city and pay the majority of the bills that the City Council continues to incur.

The facts are simple: The Boat Club owns the land. The city wants it, and can take it with your tax dollars. The club is willing to work with the city on improvements but

wants to retain ownership and do a long term deal so a future City Council does not come and try to take their remaining land.

Last year 75 percent of Virginia voters supported a Constitutional Amendment for stronger eminent domain laws to protect property owners from the abuse of government. Unfortunately the current City Council, due to partisan politics and changing election dates to eliminate opposing views, is on the verge of being the first municipality in Virginia to test the new eminent domain laws.

Next week's hearing is not about the Old Dominion Boat Club. It is about the abuse of power and overreach of the Alexandria City government. If the City Council will do this to a prominent Alexandria institution with 750 members, it will do it to any property owner whose property they covet.

If you are concerned with the actions of this City Council being

led by an aggressive city attorney, please attend and speak at the hearing on Nov. 19. The meeting commences at 6 p.m. at City Hall. If you are not able to attend and speak, please voice your concerns online by going to [Alexandriava.gov/Council](http://Alexandriava.gov/Council) or calling City Hall, 703-746-4500.

**Sunny O'Malley**  
Alexandria

## TC Advances To Playoffs

To the Editor:

Last week you published a letter from an enthusiastic but not well-informed T.C. Williams Titan fan about last Saturday's football game between the Titans and West Potomac High School. (The writer incorrectly said both teams had identical 6-3 records. Not so! T.C. was 6-3, but West Potomac was

only 4-5.) I am happy to correct myself. With a fine 24-14 win, the Titans, now 7-3, advance to the playoffs for the first time since 1991.

That's the good news. The bad news is that the Titans play South County down at Lorton this Friday night, Nov. 15, at 7:30. Back on Oct. 12 South County beat the Titans in a well-played barn-burner at Parker-Gray Stadium. Come on down. I'm sure the Titans will continue to make us proud.

**Mike Oliver**  
a.k.a. "Grandpa Titan,"  
Alexandria

## Celebrating Thanksgiving

To the Editor:

We Virginians can rightly claim our forebears first celebrated and

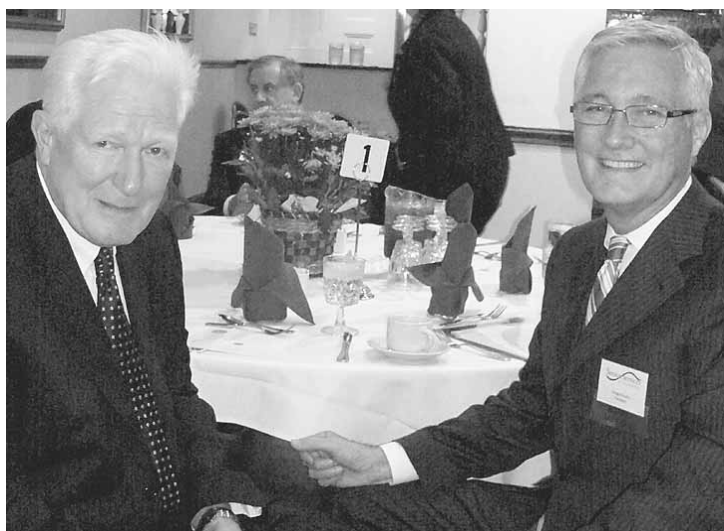
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## Senior Services Recognized as One of the Best

Senior Services of Alexandria celebrated its designation as one of the best community-based charities in the 2013-14 edition of the Greater Washington Catalogue for Philanthropy - a Guide to Giving with a special appreciation luncheon at Fort Myer's Officer Club on Nov. 6. SSA's President Gregory Murphy, Esq. highlighted ways that SSA serves Alexandria's senior population. For more, visit [www.catalogueforphilanthropy-dc.org](http://www.catalogueforphilanthropy-dc.org).



**SSA's Deputy Director Donna Walker James and Mayor Bill Euille.**



**U.S. Rep. Jim Moran (left) and SSA's President Gregg Murphy.**

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## OPINION

# To Congress: Protect the Charitable Deduction

... Or Alexandria will suffer.

BY JOHN PORTER  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
ACT FOR ALEXANDRIA



Porter

**T**he recent fiscal turmoil in Washington serves as a poignant reminder of the important strength and stability of America's charitable sector. When political indecision forced the stoppage of many programs and services, nonprofits, once again, stepped up to help those in need in communities throughout the country. Community foundations, like ACT for Alexandria, were part of this lifeline.

As the government returns to normal and as we celebrate Community Foundation Week, Nov. 12-18, it's important to be reminded of the value of both community foundations and nonprofits in general to our wonderful country. And what better a time to reaffirm our country's support of the charitable sector and all that it means to our nation's success.

thousands of people who rely on programs and services provided by our nonprofits.

Let's be clear. The charitable deduction is not about donors — it's about what donors' dollars do to aid those in need. Elimination or reduction of the charitable deduction will have significant consequences for our community. Consider these:

❖ For Alexandria's Underserved (the homeless, battered women, hungry children): Nonprofits continue to face an increased demand for services — became more dramatic with the recession and recent government shutdown — and with dwindling dollars to assist with this demand. They are asked to do more with less. ALIVE!, a local agency which provides food

to Alexandrians in need, noted a significant increase in people in need of food from a pre-recession average of 1,600 people per month to over 2,100 people per month in 2011 — a 35 percent increase. At the same time, the cost of food has grown substantially for ALIVE! mainly due to the decrease of free items from the USDA food program which must now be purchased.

❖ For Alexandria's Workforce: The nonprofit sector in Alexandria employs more than 10,000 people, almost 11 percent of Alexandria's workforce. Statewide, nonprofits employ nearly 20 times as many workers as the state's utilities industry, five times as many as the state's information industry and three times as many as the state's finance and insurance industry.

❖ For Alexandria's Economy: Nationally, nonprofits — some of the largest are based right here in Alexandria — generate billions each year in economic activity through goods, services and wages. Nonprofits are a major economic force in our community. Statewide, nonprofits generate nearly \$1.3 billion in state and federal tax revenue.

❖ For Alexandria's Future: If the charitable tax deduction were reduced or eliminated, nonprofits will lose their ability to effectively provide food, shelter, educational support, health services and more — all vi-

tal components of a thriving community. Conservative estimates indicate that even limiting or "capping" the charitable tax deduction could drastically reduce charitable giving by \$5.6 billion each year nationally. Other estimates are twice that amount. Either way, dramatic reductions in charitable giving would seriously impede the ability of nonprofits that provide crucial "on the ground" services to those most in need in our community.

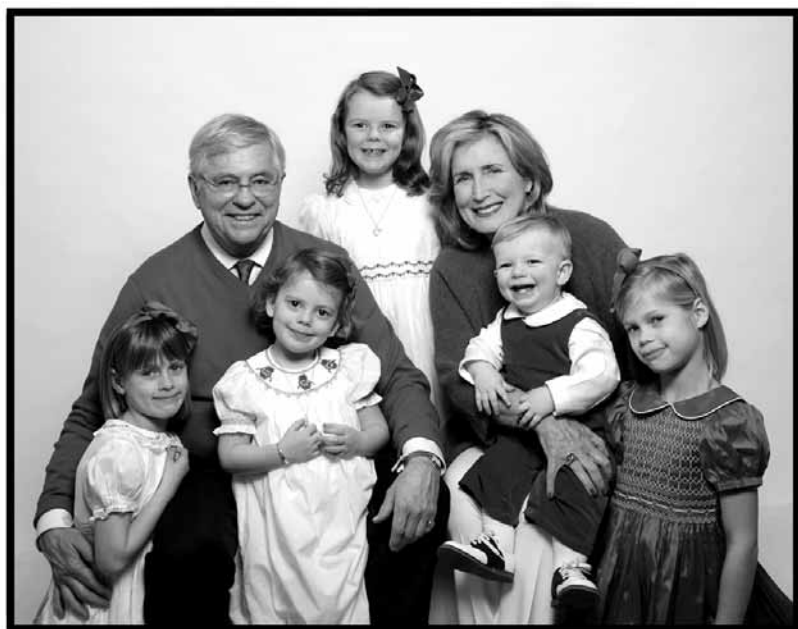
It's clear. Millions of Americans depend on a network of highly effective, compassionate organizations across the country that provide jobs, economic development, food, shelter, places of worship and countless other services. Nearly all depend on charitable giving for their survival.

The 2012 Giving USA report states that more than 80 percent of the nearly \$229 billion in individual philanthropy was from taxpayers who itemized their charitable contributions — and receive a charitable deduction. Without this incentive, would they give? Would they give as much? One thing is for certain — lawmakers shouldn't experiment with the charitable tax deduction when so much is at stake.

*John Porter is the executive director of ACT for Alexandria, Alexandria's community foundation.*

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# Living Life Their Way

BY MARY ANNE WEBER  
CHAIR, ANTI-STIGMA HOPE  
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FOR A HEALTHIER ALEXANDRIA

In August a judge in Newport News made history when he ruled that a woman with Down Syndrome can live the life she wants. It's been 50 years since President John F. Kennedy signed the two laws that were to begin the revolution in mental health care, 45 years since Virginia began the system of Community Service Boards to oversee mental health care in communities, nearly 40 years since President Gerald Ford signed the Education for All Handicapped Children Act, popularly known by advocates as public law 94-142, yet the battle to recognize adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities as citizens with rights like everyone else still goes on.

That war, like every civil rights war, has been fought on three fronts in the legislatures, in the courts and in the public forum. There has been no lack of laws. Besides those insuring the right to live in the community and the right to an education, there have been Federal laws passed to insure the



civil rights of those in institutions, the rights of persons with disabilities to travel by air, the Fair Housing Act which prohibits discrimination because of disability, an expansion of hate crime legislation to include those with disabilities, and most recently the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act which prohibits discrimination on the basis of health status, mandates mental health coverage and bans lifetime limits. Before this, children with handicapping conditions often reached their lifetime insurance limits for such things as physical therapy or language therapy or psychological therapy before they reached their teens. In addition parents often had to hunt for medical professionals willing to take on their children and their often complex problems.

Despite the fierce opposition of many school officials and citizens to having children with disabilities in their schools and despite neighbors rallying against group homes and treatment centers in their neighborhoods, things did change. Today the great majority of people with developmental disabilities live in their communities not in institutions. It started with the law but also with the stubbornness of mothers and fathers who said no to the experts and insisted on caring for their children at home. They argued with educators who despite the law said they were not "babysitters," educated their neighbors and formed their own advocacy associations. While some states had had "special education" in place since the turn of the 20th century, if not earlier, others had to change their systems to accommodate a new world.

We now have a generation of adults who have lived with their families, gone to public schools for the most part, taken part in recreation programs and camps, although often segregated, gone to concerts, plays, movies and restaurants, even played sports. But that is not enough.

In too many cases, their lives have been segregated. They have been educated in separate classrooms, sometimes separate schools. Recreation is separate as are camps, sports, even vacations. Not that this is always bad. It is just that as a child outgrows training wheels so do those with disabili-

## The Last Frontier of Civil Rights: Adults with Developmental Disabilities

The Beatley Central Library at 5005 Duke St., will host a discussion on the lives of today's adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities on Wednesday, Nov. 20 at 7 p.m. The discussion will focus on the concept of person-centered care, what Department of Justice rulings and the latest civil rights case mean for Virginians with developmental disabilities and

what it means to live, work, play and worship in the community and be part of the community.

Speakers include Paul Wexler, one of the founders of Sheltered Homes of Alexandria and currently regional executive director of ServiceSource and Berline Lewis, director of ID Residential Services for the City of Alexandria.

ties grow up to be adults with wants, needs and dreams of their own.

All too often they are thwarted. Employment prospects are often limited. Sheltered workshops may not offer marketable skills and often pay sub-minimum wages. They can be isolating and a resident can move from group home to sheltered workshop and back again without ever interacting with residents in the community. They may not be consulted as to what they want to do with their day, what they want to eat or wear or what to do for fun.

There are many reasons for this. The old philosophy was that people of limited intellectual ability were simple, childlike and must be treated like children and told what was good for them. When institutions in the 1960s and '70s and beyond were under court orders to empty out, the group homes were larger and run like mini-institutions often because those who ran and staffed them had worked in institutions. They were not mean or abusive or uncaring, they just ran their facilities for the sake of the institution and the staff, not the people who lived there. In the beginning it probably even worked. Those coming to the group homes had been in institutions. Now they lived in newer, prettier, quieter places, they might have their own room or just one roommate instead of sleeping on a ward with a bed and locker their only possessions.

But there was that new generation who grew up with mom and dad and brothers and sisters, who went to public school and who were allowed to choose. They wanted a say in what they did, where they lived, the books they read, the movies they watched. They were not happy in a regimented group home or regimented activities. And then in Virginia along came Jenny Hatch who said no to the group homes she was put in, no to the jobs. She wanted to

find her own job and she did. Eventually it went to court and Jenny won.

She wasn't the first to say no. There was a young woman in another state who just like Jenny had been brought up to be independent. She said no to a group home and got to share an apartment with two other girls, the same kind of thing, any young woman just out of school might do. She wasn't so successful about a job. Her service agency found her one stocking shelves, two bus rides away from her apartment, two hours a day of travel for a four-hour job. One day, walking home from the bus stop she saw a sign for help in a florist's window and went inside to talk to the couple who owned the place. They were impressed with her knowledge of flowers and her sense of design and color and offered to teach her whatever she needed to know. She was hired on the spot and went home to call her mother to announce the change. She had a job that paid better, was walking distance from her home and a place she could learn something. No one could argue with that.

In other cases, parents annoyed with the limited possibilities, found employment with family friends or relatives or in one case quit their jobs and started their own business so their adult daughter could have a job that made use of her skills.

All of these changes would remain anecdotes, isolated incidents if it weren't for another change. Along with new laws and court decisions came a change in attitude, what is known as "person-centered" thinking. The philosophy probably began in nursing homes and other long-term care facilities where staff began to question arbitrary rules and schedules and ask who benefited. For those with developmental disabilities, the question was even more basic:

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## Bellefonte Wizards Vs. Shooting Stars

Come see the Bellefonte Wizards as they take on the Shooting Stars of the Department of Community and Human Services for the fourth annual basketball game at the Cory Kelly Rec Center, 25 West Reed Ave., on Dec. 9 at 7 p.m. The Wizards will attempt to add to their three-year winning streak while the Shooting Stars will seek to avenge their losses and finally send Coach Gilmore home as a winner of the Gilmore cup.

The Wizards live in city residential programs that assist adults with intellectual disabilities to develop community relationships and connections. The Shooting Stars is a team of staff from the Department of Community and Human Services coached by Director Michael Gilmore.

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established the custom of celebrating Thanksgiving on these shores. Let's remember and teach our children about the 1619 Thanksgiving celebration at Berkeley Hundred, Va. It was the first Thanksgiving celebrated by the English colonists in our country, despite the many textbooks that give the Pilgrims' 1621 celebration at Plymouth, Mass. that honor. Also, Alexandria's own George Washington was the first President to set aside a special day for the nation to offer Thanksgiving to God.

On Dec. 4, 1619, when the Margaret, sailing from Bristol, England, reached her destination 20 miles upstream from Jamestown at Berkeley Hundred, now Berkeley Plan-

tation, Captain John Woodliffe opened the sealed orders given him in London. They directed that the first act of those 38 settlers and eight crewmen aboard should be to have a religious service of thanksgiving to God for their safe arrival, and the settlers and crew did so. Indians, curious about the newcomers and familiar with the settlers and religious services at Jamestown, probably watched. Furthermore, Woodliffe's orders provided that the day of the ship's arrival was to be "yearly and perpetually kept holy as a day of Thanksgiving to Almighty God."

In 1622 in a surprise attack, Indians massacred almost everyone at the Berkeley settlement. Thus the custom of thanksgiv-

ing was observed there for only a few years. After that tragedy the area was abandoned, and the Jamestown settlers did not feel like celebrating. After many years colonists returned to the site, and the Harrison family built a beautiful home there, Berkeley Plantation.

Benjamin Harrison IV signed the Declaration of Independence. His grandson, William Henry Harrison, was elected President; two generations later Benjamin Harrison, his grandson, also was elected President. Both wrote their Inaugural Addresses at Berkeley. Today Berkeley is open to the public, there is a marker at the site on the James River shore where the 1619 Thanksgiving was held, and there is an annual historical

reenactment of the first thanksgiving at the original site.

For those who might have forgotten, the Pilgrims did not land on the rocky coast up north until December 1620. They had intended to come to Virginia, but were blown off course by heavy winds.

They starved for the first year, so they were most grateful for their bountiful harvest in 1621. According to the Pilgrim Hall website, "In ... 1621, the 53 surviving Pilgrims celebrated their successful harvest, as was the English custom .... (It was a social occasion, a festival of food.) The Pilgrims did not call this harvest festival a "Thanksgiving," although they did give thanks to

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## NEWS

# Kirby Murdered

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Hildebrandt, spokeswoman for the Alexandria Police Department. "There's relatively no crime there."

Kirby, a longtime Alexandria resident, was director of transportation planning at the Washington Council of Governments. A relative discovered the body on the first floor of the house shortly after noon on Monday and called the police, who arrived on the scene and began investigating. After an autopsy on Tuesday, the cause of death was ruled homicide. Police say Kirby died of multiple gunshot wounds, although they won't say how many. They also won't say where in the house his body was discovered.

"That's part of the investigation," said Hildebrandt.

**KIRBY IS BEING** hailed as a "visionary" by friends and colleagues for his work on transportation issues, specifically his advocacy of multi-modal solutions to the region's traffic problems. Kirby guided the Transportation Planning Board's work for more than 26 years.

"He was both a visionary on what this region could become through smart growth and strate-

gic transportation improvements, and an expert who gained the confidence of elected officials to make it happen," said U.S. Rep. Jim Moran (D-8) in a written statement. "His behind the scenes work and sage advice saved Washington area commuters a lifetime of avoided congestion and traffic delays."

Friends and colleagues say they are devastated by the loss.

"His deep knowledge and wise counsel assisted local, state and national officials in reaching consensus on the major transportation issues over the years," said COG Executive Director Chuck Bean. "More importantly, he was a trusted colleague and a dear friend to all of us at the council and his associates around the region."

**AT THE BEGINNING** of Tuesday night's City Council meeting, Mayor Bill Euille called for a moment of silence to honor the slain transportation official.

"Probably every member on this dais, through our activity and involvement with COG, has had an opportunity to work side-by-side with Ron Kirby," said Euille. "So we extend condolences to his family and friends and COG staff."



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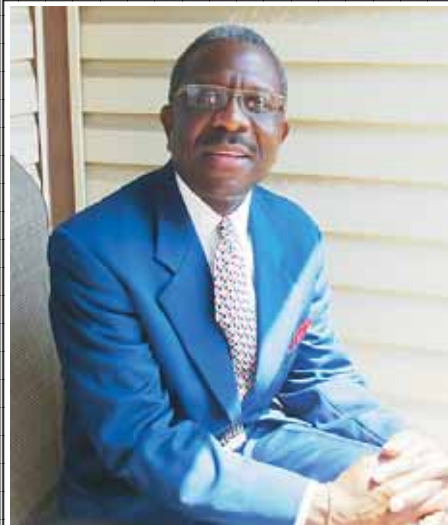
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## Creating a Feast for the Eye

Local designers share ideas for a striking Thanksgiving table.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL  
GAZETTE PACKET

**W**hile a menu of turkey and gravy will satisfy the belly this Thanksgiving, a well-designed centerpiece that reflects the warm hues of fall will be a feast for the eyes.

From vivid floral arrangements that spring from gourds to tables piled with seasonal produce, local floral designers say that when it comes to creating Thanksgiving table décor as tantalizing as the meal itself, the options are vast.

Charles Gang, owner of Helen Olivia Flowers in Old Town Alexandria, and his team of designers often create colorful combinations of flowers and fruit in rich hues. "As far as fall arrangements, we're [using] fruit like apples and pears, we're seeing mini pumpkins in arrangements," he said.

In fact, Gang suggests creating arrangements using full-sized pumpkins as vases. "We're doing a lot of rustic hydrangeas, a lot of roses in deep orange and germini in a variety of colors like orange and violets," he said.

Floral designer Laurie Diver, of Conklyn's Florist in Alexandria and Arlington, often uses glass cubes and bubble vases as a receptacle for her arrangements. "Flowers in orange, gold and maroon are great for fall,"



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**Charles Gang, owner of Helen Olivia Flowers in Old Town Alexandria, creates fall centerpieces using full-sized pumpkins as vases.**

she said. "I also like to use hydrangeas that are green tipped with burgundy edges and lilies in rust, yellow and orange."

David Hicks, owner of Conklyn's, doesn't shy away from unconventional flowers. "We have a wholesale shop that is open to the

public," he said. "Two or three times per week, we import flowers from South America like kangaroo paws [a tubular flower] that come in bronze and rust and cottage yarrow that come in bronze and yellow."

Another surprise for fall, says Diver, are tulips. "We usually don't see them again until spring, but now we have an assortment of parrot tulips in orange, yellow or a combination of both with tattered edges that look very artsy."

Great Falls-based designer Alison de Wit of Distinctive Floral Designs, who isn't afraid to add a harbinger of spring to her autumn arrangements either, said, "A lot a spring flowers are available from Dutch markets."

She also combines traditional flowers with modern varieties. "You can combine a traditional hydrangea with a chartreuse spider chrysanthemum for a bright and unusual floral combina

**"We're doing a lot of rustic hydrangeas, a lot of roses in deep orange and germini in a variety of colors like orange and violets."**

**— Charles Gang, owner of Helen Olivia Flowers**

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## Kitchen Gets Monumental Makeover

Local designer brings style and ingenuity to Alexandria kitchen.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL  
GAZETTE PACKET

**T**wo Alexandria food enthusiasts will have a new space where they can perform culinary magic this holiday season.

The owners of the 1930s Alexandria home enjoyed cooking, but found it cumbersome in their tiny kitchen, so they decided to expand their home. They created a larger kitchen with an open floor plan and abundance of space for family and friends to gather.

"Making the kitchen functional while looking good

and complementing the age of the home were the keys," said Nadia Subaran of Aidan Design in Bethesda, Md., who the homeowners selected for the task. "The owners enjoy cooking so that was always top of mind when designing the space."

Subaran's challenge was to create a kitchen with modern functionality that met the homeowners' culinary needs and simultaneously respected the architectural integrity of the original home. The designer installed maple cabinetry clad with Brookhaven's Edgemont recessed panel doors, painted antique white and trimmed with decorative crown molding.

A massive, ebony-stained oak island topped with Typhoon Gold granite dominates the new kitchen. Subaran created work areas as well as a bar top for interest. "Connecting the work stations with the is

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**A repurposed, dark hood centers the back wall of this Alexandria kitchen, designed by Nadia Subaran of Aidan Design.**

**Nadia Subaran of Aidan Design created this Alexandria kitchen using warm-hued granite counters and antique white-painted maple cabinets.**





# Feast for The Eye

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tion."

Floral designer Rachael Rinaldi, of Reston Floral Design in Reston, combines dried oak leaves with chrysanthemums in orange, burgundy, yellow or magenta. "Every fall, mums in rich colors are popular."

Hicks has seen a recent spike in the number of consumers who want to create budget centerpieces at home. "You can take eight to 12 blooms of cymbidium orchids in green and orange and put the elongated stems in a glass cylinder with some curly willow to give it contrast," he said.

Hicks also suggests that those who want simple elegance "gather four hydrangeas and put them in a square glass container with rocks at the bottom and you have a simple and elegant centerpiece."



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**Laurie Diver of Conklyn's Florist, in Alexandria and Arlington, often creates arrangements with orange, yellow and gold flowers nestled in glass cubes.**

## Makeover

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land and eating areas is the perfect combination of function and form," she said.

Covering the DCS range is a recycled metal hood wrapped in plywood and painted black. To create visual movement, the designer chose Trapunta subway tile in biscuit for the backsplash and Churchill Ridge ceramic tile flooring in ash.

Subaran said that structural issues, often found in older homes, created a few challenges, so appliances were installed to appear built in.

The original kitchen became the butler's pantry, featuring open shelving, a second refrigerator and a sink with a limestone mosaic tile backsplash.

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# ENTERTAINMENT



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Actors Jennifer McClean, Adriana Hardy, Shaina Higgins, Jean Hudson Miller, Nyla Rose DeGroat and Karen Lawrence in a scene from "Shiloh Rules" at Port City Playhouse.

## 'Shiloh Rules' In battlefield satire, no one is civil.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN  
GAZETTE PACKET

**"T**o hell with Yankee bitches," is but one of the razor sharp barbs slung in "Shiloh Rules," a Civil War satire by playwright Doris Baizley that takes no prisoners in a cleverly crafted production at Port City Playhouse.

Skillfully directed by Mary Ayala-Bush, "Shiloh Rules" is set in the present at Shiloh Battlefield Park in West Tennessee. The play opens on the eve of a major reenactment of the 1862 Battle of Shiloh, and though the rules of engagement are clear — no one is allowed in the park before dawn — a dedicated Union nurse and a mysterious Confederate refugee have slipped in along with their over-eager apprentices to compete for the title of Reenactor of the Year.

Playing rival Civil War buffs in this modern red state/blue state twist are Karen Lawrence as Mrs. Cecelia DeLaunay Pettison, a steely Confederate Southern belle, and Jean Hudson Miller as the stoic and proud Northerner Clara May Abbot.

Bitter enemies from past re-creations, each is mentoring a reenactor neophyte: Meg Barton (Jennifer McClean) is working with Miss Abbot while LucyGale Scruggs (Shania Higgins) is a zealous student of the South. The women try to out-do each other in authenticity as they prepare for the re-creation to come.

Thrown into the mix are Adriana Hardy as the Widow Beckwith, a likeable huckster who sells reenactment memorabilia, and Nyla Rose DeGroat as

Park Ranger Wilson, an African American woman not thrilled about the idea of reliving the Civil War, emancipation or not.

Illegally in the park after hours, Ranger Wilson attempts in vain to boot the hardcore reenactors, who blur the line as they seamlessly slip in and out of their Civil War characters.

Sterling performances by the all-female cast combine for a stellar production of Baizley's clever parody of reenactment follies. Hardy, in particular, sparkles as the Widow Beckwith, while Miller and Lawrence are mesmerizing in their historical personas.

With authentic costumes and set design by Ayala-Bush, lights by Chris Hardy and sound by Sean Doyle, the Port City Playhouse creative team cleverly immerses the audience in the fog of war without any actual fog. The inventive comedy vividly paints the battlefield mindset as the reenactment escalates out of control and into hilarity.

In the midst of all things sesquicentennial, "Shiloh Rules" is a humorous, thought-provoking and beautifully executed look at the Civil War reenactment craze as all six women poignantly discover

that some battlefield conflicts weren't left behind in 1862. With a stellar cast and rarely produced creative script, it's an evening of entertainment that is not to be missed.

*The Port City Playhouse production of "Shiloh Rules" is playing through Nov. 23 at the Lab at Convergence, 1819 N. Quaker Lane. For tickets or more information, visit [www.portcityplayhouse.org](http://www.portcityplayhouse.org).*



Adriana Hardy as the Widow Beckwith and the Park Ranger, played by Nyla Rose DeGroat.

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The **West End Farmers Market** will run Sundays from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. through November. Located at Ben Brenman Park, browse food, crafts and more. Visit [www.westendfarmersmarket.org](http://www.westendfarmersmarket.org).

**Photography Workshop.** 10:30 a.m.-noon at Multiple Exposures Gallery on 105 N. Union Street. Photographers and enthusiasts of all skill levels are invited to share work, ideas, and questions at this free workshop held on the last Sunday of each month, except December. No reservations. Call 703-683-2205.

**Book a Librarian.** At the Charles E. Beatley, Jr. Central Library, 5005 Duke St., for help with research or to better understand the library's databases and resources. Make an appointment by calling 703-746-1751.

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**Encore Chorale.** Mondays 10:30 a.m.-noon at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial, 101 Callahan Dr. Register now for Encore Chorale's fall season. The group of singers, ages 55 and up, practice classical and holiday songs to prepare for December performances. \$150 tuition. Visit [encorecreativity.org](http://encorecreativity.org) or call 301-261-5747.

**Metro Club After-School Program.** From Sept. 9-June 2014, the Metropolitan School of Arts presents an after-school program for grades 1-6. The program is located at both the Lorton studio at Workhouse Arts Center, 9517 Workhouse Way and in Alexandria at 5775 Barclay Drive. Programs will focus on the arts, including music, dance, theatre, yoga and academics, as well as designated homework time. The program will run Mondays, 1-6 p.m., and Tuesday-Friday, 3-6 p.m. Tuition runs from \$130-150. Call 703-339-0444 or visit [www.metropolitanarts.org](http://www.metropolitanarts.org).

**Art Exhibit.** "Sacred Earth, Healing Water" by Anne Bouie at Schlesinger Center Margaret W. & Joseph L. Fisher Gallery, 3001 N. Beauregard St. Runs through Nov. 11. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday and during performances. Visit [www.nvcc.edu/schlesingercenter/](http://www.nvcc.edu/schlesingercenter/) for more.

**Art Exhibit.** Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery presents "Colors of Autumn" in Studio 18 at Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Exhibit runs Oct. 22-Nov. 17. Free. Visit [www.potomacfiberartsgallery.com](http://www.potomacfiberartsgallery.com) or 703-548-0935.

**Art Exhibit.** See never-before-seen hats from Dr. Seuss's private collection along with prints and sculpture from the art of Dr. Seuss Collection. Runs Nov. 2-17 at P&C Art Gallery, 212 King St. Visit [www.pcart.com](http://www.pcart.com).

**Theater Performance.** See "Shiloh Rules" by Doris Baizley, the second part of "A Salute to the American Voice." Performances are Friday-Saturday, Nov. 8-9, 15-16, 22-23 and Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 8 p.m.; Saturday matinees Nov. 16, 23 at 2 p.m. All performances are at Port City Playhouse, 1819 N. Quaker Lane. \$18/adult; \$16/senior, military and student; \$14/groups of 10 or more. Visit [www.portcityplayhouse.org](http://www.portcityplayhouse.org).

**Theater Performance.** See "High

School Musical" by Mount Vernon Community Children's Theatre at Bryant Alternative High School, 2709 Popkins Lane. \$12/person or \$11 for groups of 10 or more. Visit [mvctt.org](http://mvctt.org) for more. Features over 40 members from local schools.

**Art Exhibit.** See "Concrete, Glass and Color," mosaic art by Jane Pettit at Crossroads Gallery at Goodwin House Bailey's Crossroads, 3440 S. Jefferson St., Falls Church. Free. The exhibit runs Oct. 16 through Nov. 24. 703-578-7201.

**Art Exhibit.** See "Pursuit of Beauty" at Multiple Exposures Gallery in the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Juried by Tom Beck, the exhibit showcases fine art photography and will run through Nov. 24. Visit [www.torpedofactory.org](http://www.torpedofactory.org) for more.

**Art Exhibit.** Through November, see Jenna Fournel's work at Huntley Meadows Park. Hours are Monday, Wednesday-Friday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday-Sunday from noon-5 p.m. Visit [www.jenna4nel.com](http://www.jenna4nel.com) for more.

**Art Exhibit.** See "Del Ray Dozen Invitational Photography Show" at Del Ray Artisans, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Subject matter ranges from landscapes to portraits and a little bit of everything in between and the select photographers approach their craft in different ways—as traditional film shooters, digital image-makers, darkroom junkies, print makers, and experimentalists. Exhibit runs Nov. 1 through Dec. 1. For more information, visit [www.TheDelRayArtisans.org](http://www.TheDelRayArtisans.org).

**Art Exhibit.** Photographer Everitt Clark presents "Cities in the Air" from Nov. 7 through Dec. 2 in the Art League at Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. The exhibit will reveal how Richmond, Va., past and present intertwine. Free. Hours are Monday-Wednesday and Friday-Saturday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Thursdays from 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; and Sundays from noon-6 p.m. Visit [www.theartleague.org](http://www.theartleague.org) or 703-683-1780.

**Art Exhibit.** See "Portent" in the Athenaeum Gallery, 201 Prince St., from Oct. 24 through Dec. 8. The works attempt to visually come to terms with, reflect or represent the magnitude of natural events. Free. Visit [www.nvfaa.org](http://www.nvfaa.org) for more.

**Art Exhibit.** See "Photographers at the Factory" Nov. 1 through Dec. 31 at Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. The exhibit celebrates FotoWeekDC. Hours are Thursdays 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; all other days from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Photographs will line the hall walls and in multiple studios. Free. Visit [www.torpedofactory.org](http://www.torpedofactory.org) for more.

**Art Exhibit.** Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery presents "Holiday Sizzle" in Studio 18 at Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Exhibit starts on Nov. 19, additional items will be added Dec. 9 and the exhibit closes Jan. 5. Free. Some items will be for sale. Visit [www.potomacfiberarts.com](http://www.potomacfiberarts.com) or 703-548-0935.

**Art Exhibit.** Artist John Gascot of Studio 4, 218 N. Lee St., suite 101, creates an art exhibit to honor the life journeys of transgender individuals. It will be on display through January. Gallery hours are Thursday-Saturday, noon-7 p.m. and Sunday from noon-5 p.m. or by appointment. Visit [www.studio4oldtown.com](http://www.studio4oldtown.com) for more.

**African American Activists Exhibition.** Through Saturday, Jan. 4, 2014, Living Legends of Alexandria is an ongoing photo-documentary project created in 2006 by artist-photographer Nina Tisara to identify, honor and chronicle people making current history in Alexandria. This free exhibit is at the Alexandria Black History Museum, 601 Wythe

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## FRIDAY/NOV. 15

**Movie Matinee.** 4 p.m. at Burke Branch Library.  
Children in grades 1-8 can enjoy a free movie.

## SATURDAY/NOV. 16

**Discussion and Demonstration.** 2 p.m. at Beatley Library. Warren Brown will discuss his book “Pie Love” and follow up with a pie crust demonstration, tasting and book signing. Free.  
**International Gaming Day.** 3 p.m. at Burke Library. All ages can enjoy games in all types of categories, from board games to video games and more. Something for everyone. Free.

## SUNDAY/NOV. 17

**Journaling Workshop.** 2 p.m. at Beatley Library. Join for a “Personal Journaling for Personal Growth” workshop led by Gwen Mayes of Writing with Insight. Free. 703-746-1743 to register.  
**Sunday Matinee.** 2 p.m. at Beatley Library. Call for title. Free.

## MONDAY/NOV. 18

**Little One-Ders.** 10:30 a.m. at Beatley Library. Children ages 12-23 months can enjoy stories and more. Registration required.  
**Baby Time.** 11 a.m. at Duncan Library. Songs, fingerplays and bounces for babies up to 11 months. Free.  
**Baby Rhyme Time.** 11:30 a.m. at Beatley Central Library. Children up to 11 months with adult can enjoy rhymes and lullabies. Free.  
**Read, Sing & Play Baby.** 4 p.m. at Barrett Branch Library. Children up to 11 months can enjoy stories and more. Free.  
**Deputy O'Hara and His K-9 Partner.** 3:45 p.m. at Burke Library. Learn how they work together as a team. For children in grades K-8. Free.  
**Biography Book Club.** 7 p.m. at Beatley Library. Call for title. Free.  
**Duncan Poetry Society.** 7 p.m. at Duncan Library. Bring your favorite poems or ones you've written and discuss. Free.

## TUESDAY/NOV. 19

**English Language Workshop.** 10 a.m. at Beatley Library. All levels workshop. Free.  
**Stories and Songs.** 10 a.m. or 11 a.m. at Duncan Library. Children ages 1-4 can enjoy stories and more. Sign up half-hour before. Free.  
**Mother Goose Time.** 10:15 a.m. at Barrett Branch Library. Children ages 12-23 months can enjoy games, rhymes and more. Free.  
**Time For 2s.** 10:30 a.m. at Beatley Library. Children age 24-36 months can enjoy stories and more. Free.  
**Tuesday Tots.** 11 a.m. at Burke Branch Library. Children ages 2-3 can enjoy stories and more. Free.  
**Stories to Grow On.** 11 a.m. at Barrett Branch Library. Children age 2 and up can enjoy stories and more. Free.  
**Baby Rhyme Time.** 11:30 a.m. at Beatley Central Library. Children up to 11 months with adult. Free.  
**Game Night.** 7 p.m. at Beatley Library. Children ages 8-12 can play games against friends or meet new people to play against. Free.  
**Craft Night.** 7 p.m. at Barrett Library. Learn how to knit, crochet or sew or get help with a project. Beginners welcome. Must bring own supplies. Free.

## WEDNESDAY/NOV. 20

**Mother Goose Time.** 10:15 a.m. at Barrett Branch Library. Children ages 12-23 months can enjoy games, rhymes and more. Free.  
**Time For 2s.** 10:30 a.m. at Beatley Library. Children age 24-36 months can enjoy stories and more. Free. Registration required.  
**Baby Rhythm & Rhyme Time.** 11 a.m. at Burke Branch Library. Children ages 0-18 months can enjoy music, movement and more. Free.  
**Stories to Grow On.** 11 a.m. at Barrett Branch Library. Children age 2 and up can enjoy stories and more. Free.  
**Survival at the Edge of Space.** 3:30 p.m. at Duncan Library. Children can learn how high

altitude pilots and astronauts survive at the edge of space and beyond. Adults welcome if space available.

**Paws to Read.** 5:30 p.m. at Burke Library. Children in grades 1-6 can read to friendly dogs. Registration required. Call 703-746-1773 or e-mail [mmcguire@alexandria.lib.va.us](mailto:mmcguire@alexandria.lib.va.us) to register for a 15min slot.  
**Family Story & Craft Night.** 7 p.m. at Beatley Library. All ages can enjoy stories and a craft. Free.  
**Book Discussion.** 7 p.m. at Duncan Library. Discuss “The Innocents Abroad” by Mark Twain. Free.

## THURSDAY/NOV. 21

**Mother Goose Story Time.** 10 a.m. at Duncan Library. Children ages 12-24 months can enjoy stories and more. Sign up half-hour before. Free.  
**Story Time.** 10:30 a.m. or 3 p.m. at Beatley Library. Children ages 3-5 can enjoy stories, activities and more. Free.  
**Story Time.** 11 a.m. at Duncan Library. Children ages 3-5 can enjoy stories and more. Free.  
**Little One-Ders.** 11:15 a.m. at Beatley Library. Children ages 12-23 months can enjoy stories and more.  
**Story Time.** 4 p.m. at Barrett Branch Library. Children ages 3 and up can enjoy games, rhymes and more. Free.  
**Paws to Read.** 5:30 p.m. at Beatley Library. Children in grades 1-6 can read to friendly dogs. Registration required, 703-746-1702 x5.  
**Pajama Party.** 7 p.m. at Burke Branch Library. Children ages 3-7 can come dressed in their favorite outfit/pajamas and listen to stories. Free.  
**Great Books Discussion Group.** 7 p.m. at Beatley Library. Discuss a selection from “The New Organon” by Francis Bacon. Free. Call Bill Scouton at 703-931-3559.  
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## FRIDAY/NOV. 22

**JFK Film Screening.** 2 p.m. at Beatley Library. Commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Kennedy's assassination with a film screening. Free.  
**Children's Theater of the Duncan Library.** 4 p.m. at Duncan Library. See “The Wizard of Oz Meet Alice in Wonderland,” written, directed and produced by the children. Free.

## SATURDAY/NOV. 23

**Gobble Up a Good Book Thanksgiving Story Time.** 10:30 a.m. for children ages 4 and under or 3:30 p.m. for children ages 5 and up at Duncan Library. Enjoy stories, songs and more. Free.  
**Saturday Stories.** 11 a.m. at Beatley Library. All ages can enjoy stories and songs. Free.  
**Paws to Read** 1 p.m. at Burke Branch Library. Children in grades 1-6 can read to a furry animal for 15 minutes. Register by e-mailing [mmcguire@alexandria.lib.va.us](mailto:mmcguire@alexandria.lib.va.us) or 703-746-1773.

## SUNDAY/NOV. 24

**Sunday Matinee.** 2 p.m. at Beatley Library. Call for title. Free.

## MONDAY/NOV. 25

**Baby Time.** 10 a.m. or 11 a.m. at Duncan Library. Songs, fingerplays and bounces for babies up to 11 months. Free.  
**Story Time.** 10 a.m. or 7 p.m. at Duncan Library. Children can enjoy a story and then draw pictures and write letters to service members currently deployed. Free.  
**Baby Rhyme Time.** 11:30 a.m. at Beatley Central Library. Children up to 11 months with adult can enjoy rhymes and lullabies. Free.  
**Teen Movie.** 4 p.m. at Duncan Branch Library. Children in grades 6 and up can watch a movie. Free.  
**World Short Story Discussion Group.** 7 p.m. at Burke Branch Library. Call Carol at 703-746-1779 for title.



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St. The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Visit [www.alexblackhistory.org](http://www.alexblackhistory.org) or call 703-746-4356.

**Art Exhibit.** See “Primary Colors” art exhibit from Jan. 3-Feb. 2 at The Del Ray Artisans, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Artists use the three primary colors without mixing them. Free. Visit [www.TheDelRayArtisans.org](http://www.TheDelRayArtisans.org).

**Occupied City: Life in Civil War Alexandria Exhibition.** At The Lyceum, 201 South Washington St., through Sunday, March 23, 2014. This exhibit traces life in Alexandria following Virginia’s decision to secede from the Union in May 1861. The Lyceum is open Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday, 1-5 p.m. Suggested admission is \$2. Visit [www.alexandriahistory.org](http://www.alexandriahistory.org) or call 703-746-4994.

## THURSDAY/NOV. 14

**Receptions.** 6-8 p.m. “Photographers at the Factory” at Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. The exhibit celebrates FotoWeekDC. Photographs will line the hall walls and in multiple studios. Free. Visit [www.torpedofactory.org](http://www.torpedofactory.org) for more.

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**Second Thursday Music.** 7 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Veronneau will perform. \$10/person. Visit [www.nvfaa.org](http://www.nvfaa.org) for more.

**Hard Cider Sampling Benefit Event.** 7-10 p.m. at Virtue Feed & Grain, 106 S. Union St. Sample ciders from many companies such as Bold Rock, Cider Boys, Woodchuck and more while enjoying live music, appetizers, games, raffles and more. Proceeds benefit SCAN of Northern Virginia. \$15/person. Visit [www.ontaponline.com](http://www.ontaponline.com) for tickets. Must be 21 and over.

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## FRIDAY/NOV. 15

**Mini Bazaar.** 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Inova Mount Vernon Hospital, 2501 Parkers Lane. Browse ornaments, jewelry, toys and more. Find gifts for everyone on the list. Sponsored by the Inova Mount Vernon Hospital Auxiliary. 703-360-2969.

## SATURDAY/NOV. 16

**Holiday Bazaar.** 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, 1608 Russell Road. Enjoy a silent auction, vendors, children’s activities, food and more. Free.

**Holiday Treat Classes.** 9:30 a.m. or 11 a.m. learn how to bake cookies and other treats for dogs and cats. \$15/person. Reservations required. Visit [www.petsage.com/events](http://www.petsage.com/events) or

703-299-5044 to RSVP.

**Holiday Craft Fair.** 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at T.C. Williams High School, 3330 King St. Enjoy browsing the items from 45 local, handmade vendors, food and music. Visit [facebook.com/tcwilliamshandmadeholidaycraftfair](http://facebook.com/tcwilliamshandmadeholidaycraftfair).

**History of Fort Ward.** 10 a.m.-noon at Lloyd House, 220 N. Washington St. “Finding the Fort: A History of an African American Neighborhood in Northern Virginia, 1860s.” The research project narrative discusses the early history of the area in and around Fort Ward Park, but focuses primarily on the heritage of African Americans in the Seminary area of Alexandria, from the Civil War period through the founding of the park. Free, but RSVP to 703-746-4554.

**Theater Performance.** 2 p.m. at Olde Towne Theatre, 815 King St. See a performance of “The Big Meow,” adapted from the book by Elizabeth Spires. \$10-\$20/person. Visit [www.oldtowntheater1914.com](http://www.oldtowntheater1914.com) or 703-544-5315.

**Hair Ball.** 8-11 p.m. at Gadsby’s Tavern Museum. Experience an evening in the 1780s, with enormous wigs, ornamented poufs and all manners of hairstyles. Enjoy dancing, music and desserts. Period costume encouraged, but “after five” attire requested. Reservations recommended at [shop.alexandriava.gov](http://shop.alexandriava.gov) or 703-746-4242.

**Music Performance.** 8 p.m. at Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall & Arts Center, 3001 N. Beauregard St. Emil de Cou, conductor of the NSO will lead the orchestra. Violinist Sarah Chang will also perform. Tickets start at \$20/adult; \$10/student with ID and \$5/youth. Visit [www.alexsym.org](http://www.alexsym.org) or 703-548-0885.

**Theater Performance.** 7:30 p.m. at Bishop Ireton Garwood Whaley Auditorium, 201 Cambridge Road. See William Shakespeare’s “A Midsummer Night’s Dream.” \$10/adult; \$8/senior, student. Tickets sold at the door. Visit [www.bishopireton.org](http://www.bishopireton.org) or 703-751-7606.

## SUNDAY/NOV. 17

**Civil War Sunday.** 1-5 p.m. at Alexandria Archaeology Museum in Torpedo Factory Arts Center, 105 N. Union St. See an original May 26, 1861, edition of “The New-York Tribune” detailing Colonel Elmer Ellsworth’s death in Alexandria, a Peeps diorama illustrating Ellsworth’s death, a TimeTravelers Passport exhibit featuring the Civil War drummer boy, a diorama of a heating system constructed in Alexandria to warm Civil War hospital tents during the winter of 1861, a cocked and loaded Wickham musket discarded in a privy during the 1860s, and an exhibit on a Lee Street archaeological site during the Civil War. Free. Visit [www.alexandriarchaeology.org](http://www.alexandriarchaeology.org) or call 703-746-4399.

**Music Performance.** 3 p.m. at Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall & Arts Center, 3001 N. Beauregard St. Emil de Cou, conductor of the NSO will lead the orchestra. Violinist Sarah Chang will also perform. Tickets start at \$20/adult; \$10/student with ID and \$5/youth. Visit [www.alexsym.org](http://www.alexsym.org) or 703-548-0885.

**Performance.** 4 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Coyote Blue dance and music from a new collaboration by Jane Franklin and

## Toasting Our Town

**The Historic Alexandria Foundation, the organization known for issuing plaques to historically and architecturally preserved buildings, will hold its Toasting Our Town fundraiser Nov. 16, 7-9 p.m. at the Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. The wine tasting event will feature selections from Grape + Bean. Silent auction highlights include a stay in a vacation cottage on Cape Cod, dinner in a historic home and a duck hunting trip. Tickets are \$75 and proceeds will benefit the Historic Alexandria Preservation Fund, which, among other work, provides grants to historic applicants. Call 703-549-5811 or visit [www.historicalexandriafoundation.org](http://www.historicalexandriafoundation.org).**



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percussionist Tom Teasley features images, color and sound from the Trickster myths of the American Southwest. \$20. Visit [www.janefranklin.com](http://www.janefranklin.com) or 703-933-1111 for tickets.

**Music Performance.** 7 p.m. at Episcopal Church of the Resurrection, 2280 N. Beauregard St. Focus Music presents folk/pop singer-songwriters Zoe Mulford and Brad Yoder. \$18/advance; \$15/member. Visit [www.focusmusic.org](http://www.focusmusic.org) for tickets.

**Music Performance.** 3 p.m. at the Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. Philomela, a women’s chamber ensemble, will perform a new work “Pieces of Night” by local composer Jonathan Kolm. \$15/adult; \$10/child or senior. Visit [www.philomelavoices.org/](http://www.philomelavoices.org/) for more.

**Dance Performance.** 4 p.m. at Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Jane Franklin Dance presents “Coyote Blue.” Visit [www.janefranklin.com](http://www.janefranklin.com) or 703-933-1111 for tickets.

**Theater Performance.** 2 p.m. or 7:30 p.m. at Bishop Ireton Garwood Whaley Auditorium, 201 Cambridge Road. See William Shakespeare’s “A Midsummer Night’s Dream.” \$10/adult; \$8/senior, student. Tickets sold at the door. Visit [www.bishopireton.org](http://www.bishopireton.org) or 703-751-7606.

## THURSDAY/NOV. 21

**Concert.** 7:30 p.m. at the Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Joe Ely and Paul Thorn perform. \$35. Visit [www.birchmere.com](http://www.birchmere.com) or call 703-549-7500.

**Story Telling.** 7 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Ellouise Schoettler will tell the story of “Finding Gus.” \$10/person. Visit [www.nvfaa.org](http://www.nvfaa.org) for more.

**Illustrated Lecture.** 7:30 p.m. at Lloyd House, 220 N. Washington St. “Volusia: Civilian, Slave and Soldier Experiences in the Civil War” presented by Amy Bertsch, former Office of Historic Alexandria public information office. The presentation involves research into a rare photograph of enslaved people taken in Alexandria, and reveals how the Civil War impacted three groups of people on a large Duke Street property, then known as Volusia, and today known as Foxchase in Alexandria’s West End. Free. Visit [www.historicalexandria.org](http://www.historicalexandria.org) or 703-746-4554.

**Theater Performance.** 7:30 p.m. at Burgundy Farm Country Day School, 3700 Burgundy Road. Watch the seventh-graders put on “The Princess Bride.” \$5/adult; \$1/child.

## FRIDAY/NOV. 22

**Theater Performance.** 7:30 p.m. at Burgundy Farm Country Day School, 3700 Burgundy Road. Watch the seventh-graders put on “The Princess Bride.” \$5/adult; \$1/child.

**Preview Party.** 7-9 p.m. at St. Mary’s School, 400 Green St. Features more than 60 vendors specialising in arts, clothing and more. There will also be a bake sale, Christmas cafe, games, prizes, book sale and more. \$30/advance; \$35/door. Visit [www.facebook.com/StMarysSchoolChristmasBazaar](http://www.facebook.com/StMarysSchoolChristmasBazaar).

**Theater Performance.** 7:30 p.m. at Bishop Ireton Garwood Whaley Auditorium, 201 Cambridge Road. See William Shakespeare’s “A Midsummer Night’s Dream.” \$10/adult; \$8/senior, student. Tickets sold at the door. Visit [www.bishopireton.org](http://www.bishopireton.org) or 703-751-7606.

## SATURDAY/NOV. 23

**Christmas Bazaar.** 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at St. Mary’s School, 400 Green St. Features more than 60 vendors specialising in arts, clothing and more. There will also be a bake sale, Christmas cafe, games, prizes, book sale and more. Free. Visit [www.facebook.com/StMarysSchoolChristmasBazaar](http://www.facebook.com/StMarysSchoolChristmasBazaar).

**Theater Performance.** 7:30 p.m. at Bishop Ireton Garwood Whaley Auditorium, 201 Cambridge Road. See William Shakespeare’s “A Midsummer Night’s Dream.” \$10/adult; \$8/senior, student. Tickets sold at the door. Visit [www.bishopireton.org](http://www.bishopireton.org) or 703-751-7606.

**Anniversary.** Why Not? at 200 King St. will celebrate its 50th year. The first 50 customers will receive a gift bag and everyone will be entered in a raffle. Hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m. The toy drive will also kick off at this event, so bring an unwrapped, new toy for donation. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Why-Not-Shop/159764110715051>

**Music Performance.** 7:30 p.m. at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church, 8009 Fort Hunt Road. The Sunrise String Quartet will perform music from Mozart, Turina and Shostakovich. \$20/adult; \$15/senior; \$10/student and teachers. 703-765-4342.

## SUNDAY/NOV. 24

**Story Telling Workshop.** 1 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Ellouise Schoettler will show how to combine genealogy and storytelling to create family stories everyone will want to listen to. \$10/person. Visit

[www.nvfaa.org](http://www.nvfaa.org) for more.

## FRIDAY/NOV. 29

**Shop Local.** More than 50 independent boutiques will open early with shopping deals. Participating stores will offer discounts starting at 6 a.m. Also enjoy free parking during the day and restaurants opening early with discounts and more. Visit [www.blackfridayalexandria.com](http://www.blackfridayalexandria.com) for a list of participating businesses.

## FRIDAY-SATURDAY/NOV. 29-30

**Music Performance.** 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. The Seldom Scene & Dry Branch Fire Squad will perform. \$35. Visit [www.birchmere.com](http://www.birchmere.com) or call 703-549-7500.

## TUESDAY/DEC. 3

**Theater Performance.** 10:30 a.m. at W-3 Theatre at the Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. Arts on the Horizon presents “Drumming with Dishes: The Holiday Edition.” \$8/child and adults. Visit [www.artsonthehorizon.org](http://www.artsonthehorizon.org).

## WEDNESDAY/DEC. 4

**Theater Performance.** 10 a.m. or 11:30 a.m. at W-3 Theatre at the Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. Arts on the Horizon presents “Drumming with Dishes: The Holiday Edition.” \$8/child and adults. Visit [www.artsonthehorizon.org](http://www.artsonthehorizon.org) for tickets.

**Magic Show.** 7 p.m. at Bishop Ireton High School, 201 Cambridge Road. See a performance by International Brotherhood of Magicians Ring 50. Bring a canned food item or toy that will be donated to the Alexandria Citadel of the Salvation Army. Visit [www.ibmring50.blogspot.com](http://www.ibmring50.blogspot.com).

## Thursday/Dec. 5

**Theater Performance.** 10:30 a.m. at W-3 Theatre at the Workhouse Arts Center, 9601 Ox Road, Lorton. Arts on the Horizon presents “Drumming with Dishes: The Holiday Edition.” \$8/child and adults. Visit [www.artsonthehorizon.org](http://www.artsonthehorizon.org).

## Friday/Dec. 6

**Holiday Open House.** 6:30-9 p.m. at the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Enjoy food, refreshments and music while browsing items for purchase. Door prizes will be given. Visit [www.torpedofactory.org](http://www.torpedofactory.org) for more.

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## TC Craft Fair

The Fourth Annual Handmade Holiday Craft Fair will be on Saturday Nov. 16 from 10 am-4 pm at TC Williams HS. This free event will host to over 40 local, handmade vendors, live music from the TC Jazz Band, food and titan gear sales, raffles, and more. Follow on facebook at [facebook.com/TCWilliamsHandmadeHolidayCraftFair](http://facebook.com/TCWilliamsHandmadeHolidayCraftFair)



# ENTERTAINMENT

## ASO Continues 'To Dream'

BY KIM ALLEN KLUGE  
CONDUCTOR, ASO  
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**G**reetings!  
The Alexandria Symphony Orchestra continues its 70th anniversary "Dreamers and Visionaries" season on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 16 and 17 at the Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall & Arts Center with "To Transform" — a program featuring composers and artists whose music was — and is — designed "to transform" the cultural landscape around them.

The ASO and I are very proud to welcome renowned violin virtuoso, Sarah Chang — one of the foremost musicians currently performing on the global stage — as she performs Max Bruch's famous "Violin Concerto No. 1" for our "To Transform" concerts. The Alexandria Symphony Orchestra honors Sarah Chang as a "dreamer and visionary" in her own right who seeks to change the world through her music.

In 2006, Ms. Chang was honored as one of 20 Top Women in Newsweek magazine's "Women and Leadership, 20 Powerful Women Take Charge" issue. In March 2008, Ms. Chang was honored as a Young Global Leader for 2008 by the World Economic Forum (WEF) for her professional achievements, commitment to society and potential in shaping the future of the world.

The ASO and I are also delighted and honored to be presenting acclaimed conductor Emil de Cou as guest conductor for this special concert. Maestro de Cou is familiar to many of you through his popular Wolf Trap National Symphony Orchestra concerts and for his years of distinguished service as Associate Conductor of the NSO. This promises to be unforgettable music making!

I will be returning to the ASO stage as pianist and conductor for our Feb. 15 and 16 program, "To Be Passionate" featuring Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue.

The ASO's Nov. 16 and 17 "To Transform" program features a full, varied and transformational musical offering.

One of our program's highlights is Aaron Copland's "Billy the Kid" suite. Copland stated that he saw his mission as expressing "the deepest reactions of the American consciousness to the American scene." The Depression years inspired Copland to create a new kind of music — music that simultaneously expressed and actually helped to define the "American Spirit." His desire was to speak to and inspire the best in his fellow Americans.

Copland's music possesses the extraordinary ability to conjure in listeners — American and worldwide — a particularly "American" sound. Descriptives commonly used to describe his music are: simple and unpretentious, straightforward, honest expression, and an openness and expansiveness of feeling that mirrors the American landscape. You can hear all of these amazingly "Coplandesque" qualities in his highly dramatic and evocative "Billy the Kid."

Modest Mussorgsky did for Russian music what Copland did for the American soundscape. His love for Russian landscape and culture infuse his music, which you will hear as the ASO performs his "Dawn on the Moscow River."

Also on our "To Transform" program is Samuel Barber's "Adagio for Strings." This iconic masterpiece

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Sarah Chang

certainly has left an indelible mark on our American psyche. It has been associated with major national events and has been used extensively in American media ranging from "Platoon" to "Seinfeld." "Adagio for Strings" was also one of John F. Kennedy's favorite pieces of music and was played over the TV at the announcement of his death. This music has the power not only to make a mark on our cultural landscape, but to reach deep into our innermost feelings and transform us as individuals — inevitably conjuring sorrow, loss and reconciliation.

Michael Giacchino is one of the leading contemporary proponents of an "American sound," and his infectious musical spirit has been promulgated throughout the world through his award-winning television and film scores. As a special treat on it's "To Transform" program, the ASO will perform a selection of Giacchino's score from the film "Up." It is music that expresses a beautifully profound and simple vision of the true meaning of life — the power each of us possess "to transform" ourselves and the world around us.

I have decided to make this momentous season a celebration, not only of our years together, but of Dreamers & Visionaries — of what we, at the ASO, strive to be.

As a conductor, I am so proud of the Alexandria Symphony Orchestra's achievements as it has grown from a small community orchestra to become one of the region's most acclaimed fully-professional arts organizations. The Washington Post said of our "Rite of Spring" performance last season at the National Gallery of Art that it was "perhaps the most exciting heard here in years." It is our ability to dream, and to shape a daring artistic vision, that keeps us strong through times of struggle and enables us to soar into the future.

As a composer, the Dreamers & Visionaries theme has great personal significance for me as well. The music I write stems from my desire to create change in the way that people hear music in relation to their world, music that, well, at the risk of sounding grandiose, changes the world.

I want to inspire and challenge us to make our lives and world a better place. That may indeed sound ambitious, but the composers featured on our Dreamers & Visionaries season accomplished

just that! They were audacious enough to strive to make a difference in the world — and they succeeded.

See you at the concerts!

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# BUSINESS



**TTR Sotheby's and longtime local Realtor Cindy Golubin, right, poses for a photo with friends and family members at the Oct. 23 reception.**



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**Karen Lovejoy and The Lovejoy Group entertain in the courtyard of the new TTR Sotheby's International Realty offices at 400 S. Washington St.**

## Open for Business TTR Sotheby's opens Old Town offices.

**M**ore than 100 people from the business and real estate community turned out Oct. 23 to celebrate the grand opening of TTR Sotheby's International Realty offices at 400 S. Washington St. in Old Town.

Located in the building once owned by the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce, the new offices are also next to the historic Alexandria Academy, a building endowed by George Washington in 1785 to educate orphan children.

"We're very excited about these new offices," said longtime Alexandria Realtor Cindy Golubin. Entertainment in the courtyard was provided by Karen Lovejoy and The Lovejoy Group.

Managing Partner of TTR Sotheby's International Realty is Mark Lowham. Additional part-



**Megan Beyer, Cynthia Vance, Cindy Golubin and Michael Rankin celebrate at the Oct. 23 reception of TTR Sotheby's International Realty Group offices at 400 S. Washington St. in Old Town.**

ners include Jonathan Taylor, Michael Rankin and Dave DeSantis. Derrick Swaak is the

Chief Operating Officer. In Alexandria, Marcus Jaffe is manager and full service agents are avail-



**Alexandria Economic Development Partnership CEO Val Hawkins, right, mingles with guests at a reception celebrating the opening of TTR Sotheby's in Old Town.**

able in English, French, Persian and Spanish. For more information, call 703-310-6800 or visit

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— JEANNE THEISMANN

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#### THURSDAY/NOV.14

**Low Vision Resource Group.** 1:30 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Kevin Osborne, MLIS, Adult Services Manager, will be talking about eReaders and other mobile devices. Free. 703-746-1702.

**Business Tax Reform Task Force.** 6 p.m. City Hall, Sister Cities Room 1102, 301 King St. Contact Bernard Caton, 703-746-3963.

**Children and Youth Master Plan Meeting.** 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Charles Houston Recreation Center, 901 Wythe St. Give your input on the draft. 703-746-5970 to request interpreter services or get information.

#### Board of Zoning Appeals Hearing.

7:30 p.m. City Hall, Council Chamber, 301 King St. Contact Peter Leiberg, 703-746-4666.

#### FRIDAY/NOV.15

**Transportation Commission Retreat.** 8:30 a.m. Alexandria Transit Company Board Room. Contact Steve Sindiong, [steve.sindiong@alexandriava.gov](mailto:steve.sindiong@alexandriava.gov), 703-746-4047.

**Life Line Screening.** Located at Del Ray United Methodist Church, 100 E. Windsor Ave. Screenings identify potential cardiovascular conditions such as blocked arteries and irregular heart rhythm, abdominal aortic aneurysms, and hardening of the arteries in the legs, which is a strong predictor of heart disease. A bone density screening to assess

osteoporosis risk is also offered and is appropriate for both men and women. Packages start at \$159. All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. Call 1-877-237-1287 or visit [www.lifelinescreening.com](http://www.lifelinescreening.com). Pre-registration is required.

#### SATURDAY/NOV. 16

**Discussion.** 4 p.m. at Alexandria House, 400 Madison St., Drake Room. Michael Jawer and his co-author Marc Micozzi, MD, PhD, argue that paranormal perception — apparitions, telepathy, poltergeist disturbances, and 'out of body' experience — also arises from distortions in the way individuals process feeling. Free. Visit [www.emotiongateway.com](http://www.emotiongateway.com) for more.

**Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser.** Held at Applebee's, 6310 Richmond

Highway. Hosted by Mount Vernon Evening Lions Club. \$7/adult; \$5/child. All proceeds will be used for community projects. Old eyeglasses and hearing aides will be collected for recycling.

**Bike Donation.** 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Burgundy Farm Country Day School, 3700 Burgundy Road, will partner with Bikes for the World to collect, repair and donate bicycles to community development programs. Drop off used bicycles in the middle school parking lot (the first parking lot visitors will see). Middle school students will accept donations and manage repairs with a team of adults. Visit [www.burgundyfarm.org](http://www.burgundyfarm.org) or [americarecyclesday.org](http://americarecyclesday.org) for more. Contact Doug Fishman 703-960-3431 or [dougf@burgundyfarm.org](mailto:dougf@burgundyfarm.org).

**City Council Public Hearing.** 9:30 a.m. City Hall, Council Chamber, 301

King St.  
**Tech Zoo Demo.** 2 p.m. at Burke Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Enjoy a hands-on workshop to test eReaders or bring your own device to learn how to download eBooks and audiobooks for free. Free. 703-746-1704.

#### SUNDAY/NOV. 17

**Affordable Care Act Talk.** 3-5 p.m. at AAUW, 200 Cameron Station Blvd. Two panelists will present their views on the act. Free. Hosted by Alexandria and Mount Vernon branches of AAUW. Call Danielle Beach for more information, 202-494-9796.

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## Donald P. DeLuca

Donald P. DeLuca, 80, of Alexandria, died in his home on Monday, Nov. 4, 2013. Originally from Syracuse, N.Y., Don was the loving son of the deceased Carmen and Angeline DeLuca of Syracuse, preceded in death by brother Robert J DeLuca, and wife Mildred, of Syracuse, survived by brother Richard C DeLuca, and wife Mary, of Binghamton, N.Y. Don was a graduate of Christian Brothers Academy and Le Moyne College, in Syracuse, N.Y.

Donald DeLuca was a popular and admired physics teacher at Bishop Ireton High School in Alexandria. A natural teacher, his enthusiasm for understanding was exceeded only by a love for his family and students. The "Old Man in the Hat" was always

willing to give extra and took great pride in watching his students grow and achieve their potential. Don came late in life to teaching and was blessed to have found his true calling.

Devoted and proud father of Lauren E. Brogdon and her husband Clint Brogdon of Centreville, Va., and David L. DeLuca and his wife Meaghan Gay of Alexandria. Loving grandfather to Matthew Rebeiz and Nathan Brogdon.

A reception was held at Bishop Ireton High School on Friday Nov. 8. A funeral mass was held at St. Louis Catholic Church in Alexandria on Saturday, Nov. 9.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Bishop Ireton High School for the future creation of a scholarship fund in Don's name.

## Col. Martin John Egan, Jr

Colonel Martin John Egan, Jr., died March 25, 2013 in Alexandria from congestive heart failure. Colonel Egan was born Oct. 1, 1932 in Stamford, Conn., the son of Martin John Egan, Sr., and Margaret Tormey Egan.

Marty graduated from Stamford High School, where he was president of his class. He was also a member of the drama club, where he relished playing the role of Nanki-Poo in Gilbert and Sullivan's, "The Mikado." He became interested in golf when he caddied on local courses while in high school; it was a sport he enjoyed throughout his life.

After high school Marty attended Villanova University where he served in the Navy Reserve Officer Training Corps, graduating in 1954 with a bachelor of science degree. He was then commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps where he served for over 26 years.

During his distinguished aviation career as a Marine fighter pilot, Colonel Egan flew A4 and A6 fighter attack aircraft; his callsign was "The Hawk." His outstanding service was recognized with many awards and decorations, including the Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star with Combat "V," 23 Air Medals, the Meritorious Service Medal, and the Joint Service Commendation Medal. He flew over 275 combat missions during the Vietnam War, many over North Vietnam. The Republic of Vietnam honored him with its Gallantry Cross, Meritorious Unit Citation and Campaign Medal with device. Colonel Egan also

served in Japan, commanding a fighter aircraft squadron at Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni. After attaining his master's degree at the Navy Post Graduate School, he completed his military career at the Pentagon where he was in charge of officer assignments for the U.S. Marine Corps, then retiring in 1980.

After retirement, Marty embarked on a real estate career, working with several companies in Old Town Alexandria. He enjoyed golf, travel (particularly to Ireland), and socializing with friends in Old Town Alexandria and D.C. His love of nature was reflected in the many plants he nurtured and the uncanny communication he had with a regular menagerie of wildlife he fed from his back porch. Marty was very generous to those in need and quietly assisted those who had come on hard times. He loved life, but as a warrior fought the fiercest fight.

Colonel Egan was preceded in death by his parents and brother Harold Egan. He leaves behind siblings Rita Maureen Egan Hubert of Seattle; Joshua Egan Breland of Auburn, Wash.; James Edward Egan of Honolulu; godchildren Lauren Rhoades and James Duke; as well as many friends. The funeral at Ft. Myer and interment in Arlington National Cemetery will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2013.

Guests should arrive at the chapel no later than 10:30 a.m. Those without a military ID will have their car go through inspection at one of the Henderson Hall/Ft. Myer gates.

## Seminary Valley

Just returned from a trip to Normandy, France, where Pat got to head up a meeting about tolling technology and I got to explore a region that includes Alexandria's sister city, Caen. We were able to visit the D-Day sites, including the American Cemetery, just opened after being closed for the government shutdown. So moving, and just in time for Veterans Day. I was only able to pass through Caen, on my way to Bayeaux to see the tapestry, but it is on my list for next time.

We had to follow the World Series far from home, and it got me wondering how the Valley's resident MLB star, Alec Grosser, fared this year as a minor league prospect with the Atlanta Braves. Going to MLB.com, I found that Alec pitched in 10 games (29 innings) for the Braves team in the Rookie Gulf Coast League, striking out 23. His overall win-loss record was 1-3. The 2013 T.C. Williams grad's overall ERA was a respectable 2.15.

Some of you are Facebook aficionados, and long-time Seminary Valley residents should know that there is a group on that site dedicated to Francis C. Hammond High School Alumni. The folks who post in that group are a close-knit bunch and the very regular posts include photos, connection requests, reunion information, reminiscences and "life updates" of the alumni. One recent post talked about a 1963 Danish exchange student; another posted photos of numerous Hammond memorabilia. So nice that these memories and connections can flourish in cyberspace.

Have you heard of the city's Flora Project? The Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities' Horticulture and Natural Resources Section has surveyed Alexandria's flora and has developed a number of reports that gardeners and nature lovers might find interesting. In "Vanishing Flora of Washington and Vicinity," we find that Charles Samuel Rafinesque explored our area in 1826, leaving a considerable catalog. Some of the most detailed information about local flora is included in surveys of the close-by Winkler Preserve.

As recently as 2009, surveys and historical collections in Alexandria yielded a total of more

than 800 native vascular plants (including infraspecific taxa and hybrids) representing 366 genera and 128 families. If you participated in the Holmes Run Park Cleanup a few weeks ago, you probably encountered invasive plant species, including garlic mustard, ground ivy, Japanese stiltgrass, porcelain berry and autumn sweetwater clematis. For more information, go to [www.alexandria.gov](http://www.alexandria.gov) and head to the department's page.

This year's fall leaf collection starts this week (on or about Nov. 13), with the second and third passes on Dec. 4 and Dec. 23, respectively.

— MIA JONES

## Taylor Run

### NEW RECTOR

The Right Reverend Susan Goff, Bishop Suffragan of the Diocese of Virginia, conducted a service of celebration for a new ministry to induct the Reverend Charles C. McCoart, Jr. as the new rector for Emmanuel Episcopal Church.

The Reverend Jonathan Bryan was the litanist, Beth Boland and Sarah Orndorf were the lectors, Brian Fitch was the organist and Beth Boland was the coordinator for the celebration. During the induction Nancy Kuhn, as lay reader, presented a Bible. Bishop Goff then presented a vessel of water, Christina Bartley, president of the Altar Guild, presented a stole, Judy Bryan presented the Book of Common Prayer, Nancy Dupree, representing the Inreach Committee, presented a vessel of olive oil, and Vonda Delawie presented the keys of the church.

The Reverend John Hortum, Dean of Region IV, presented the Constitution and Canons of the church. Michelle Vaughan, head of the Christian Education Committee, presented a tippet. Lola Beggs and Bob Carrigher, co-chairs of the Search Committee, presented gifts of bread and wine.

Acolytes were Torrence Delawie, John Dresen, Hannah Buckman and Henry Watson. Hamilton Beggs carried the banner in the procession. Meredith Wade and Christina Bartley organized the reception. Others attending the service were Bucky Mills, George Tuttle, Gudrun Callahan, Jim Bradley, Moina Ratliff, and Barbara Harslem.

— LOIS KELSO HUNT



## Volunteers Make Repairs

**Rebuilding Together Alexandria teamed up with Fannie Mae volunteers on Oct. 30 to make updates and repairs for residents of the Arlandria Chirilagua Housing Cooperative, a majority of whom are Latino and many of whom own their co-op. Volunteers painted (above), installed bike racks, and delivered energy efficiency kits (at right).**



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### Environmental Policy Commission Public Information Meeting on New Stormwater Regulations

Monday, November 18  
When: 7:30 - 9:30 pm

Where: City Hall (Sister Cities Room 1101), 301 King Street  
The City of Alexandria's Environmental Policy Commission (EPC) encourages residents to attend a public information meeting about the City's draft Environmental Management Ordinance and Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance, documents that are designed to meet new state regulations and water quality pollution reductions required by federal regulations, reducing pollution in the Chesapeake Bay. For more information on the City's Environmental and Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance changes visit: [www.alexandriava.gov/Environment](http://www.alexandriava.gov/Environment) or <http://www.alexandriava.gov/Environment>. To provide comments, contact Claudia Hamblin-Katnik, Watershed Program Administrator, Office of Environmental Quality at [Claudia.Hamblin-Katnik@alexandriava.gov](mailto:Claudia.Hamblin-Katnik@alexandriava.gov) and 703.746.4065.

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### LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to members of the NY, nonprofit, American Society of Clinical Oncology, Inc., that eligible ASCO members may vote by proxy ballot from Oct. 29 to Nov. 26, 2012 to elect the President Elect, four seats on the Board of Directors, and two seats on the Nominating Committee for service beginning on June 2, 2014. Information about proxy ballots is available at [www.asco.org](http://www.asco.org). Completed proxy ballots will be delivered to the ASCO President or his designee for casting at a meeting held on Dec. 3, 2013, 8:30-9:00 AM at ASCO Headquarters, 2318 Mill Road, Suite 800, Alexandria, VA 22314. Members with questions can email [ASCOelec-tion@asco.org](mailto:ASCOelec-tion@asco.org) or call 571-483-1316.

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### ABC LICENSE

City View Brewhouse, LLC trading as City View Brewhouse, 2923 E. Lee Ave. Alexandria, VA 22306. The above establishment is applying to the VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL (ABC) for a Wine and Beer on/off Premises & Mixed Beverage Restaurant license to sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages. Erik Dorn, Managing Member  
NOTE: Objections to the issuance of this license must be submitted to ABC no later than 30 days from the publishing date of the first of two required legal notices. Objections should be registered at [www.abc.virginia.gov](http://www.abc.virginia.gov) or 800-552-3200.

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RFP Due Date and Time: December 9, 2013, 4 p.m., prevailing local time  
Pre-Proposal Conference: Not Applicable  
For general inquiries contact Michael Hauer, Contract Specialist III at 703-746-4295. The City of Alexandria reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, cancel this solicitation, and to waive any informalities or irregularities in procedure. THE CITY REQUIRES ITS CONTRACTORS TO BE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYERS.

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### Announcement to Dental Patients of the Alexandria Health Department

This public notice is being made in accordance with Code of Virginia 54.1-2405, with regards to the transfer of dental records in conjunction with the closure of a practice. Effective January 2, 2014, the Alexandria Health Department is transferring the provision of dental care for children and adults to the Alexandria Neighborhood Health Services, Inc. (ANHSl). ANHSl will continue to provide dental care at 4480 King St. With this change, you have two options:

Option 1 Continue to come to 4480 King St – ANHSl staff will take care of getting you into their system – we will have you sign papers to allow us to provide your dental records to them

Option 2 Transfer your care to another dental healthcare provider of your choice. We will send them a copy of your dental records after you sign papers directing us to do so

There will be no charge to you for copying and sending one copy of your dental records to the dental provider of your choice.

Patients may contact ANHSl at 703-535-5568 to make an appointment or if you have questions concerning this transfer of dental care.

If you have any questions concerning the transfer of dental records please contact the Alexandria Health Department Medical Records Unit at 703-746-4991.

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## Fairfax Water

### NOTICE OF WATER RATE PUBLIC HEARING

At 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 12, 2013, Fairfax Water will conduct a public hearing on its proposed Schedule of Rates, Fees and Charges. The hearing will be held in Fairfax Water's offices at 8570 Executive Park Avenue, Fairfax, VA.

The proposed changes, to be effective April 1, 2014, include the following:

1. An increase in the Availability Charge from \$3,850 to \$3,950†.
2. An increase in the Local Facilities Charge from \$9,500 to \$9,750.
3. An increase in the Service Connection Charge from \$1,050 to \$1,090†.
4. An increase in the Account Charge from \$35 to \$36.
5. An increase in the Quarterly Billing Service Charge from \$9.20 to \$9.80†.
6. An increase in the base Commodity Charge from \$2.29 to \$2.42 per 1,000 gallons of water.
7. An increase in the Peak Use Charge from \$3.45 to \$3.55 per 1,000 gallons of water.
8. An increase in the Fees for Use of Fairfax Water Fire Hydrants to include the increase in the Commodity Charge and Peak Use Charge.
9. An increase in the Installation of Sewer Use Meter Charge from \$44 to \$45.
10. An increase in the Returned Payment Charge from \$17 to \$20.

A copy of the proposed changes can be viewed on our Web site at <http://www.fairfaxwater.org/rates/index.htm>. Those wishing to speak at this hearing or desiring a copy of the proposed changes should call Ms. Eva Catlin at 703-289-6017. Interested parties also may submit written comments to [PublicHearingComments@fairfaxwater.org](mailto:PublicHearingComments@fairfaxwater.org) or mail written comments to:

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All written comments must be received by close of business on Wednesday, December 11, 2013 to be included in the record of the public hearing.

†Charges reflect fees associated with a standard 5/8" residential meter. Changes in charges for larger residential and commercial meters are reflected in the Proposed Schedule of Rates, Fees, and Charges.

# LETTERS

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God. To them, a Day of Thanksgiving was purely religious. Their first recorded religious Day of Thanksgiving was held in 1623 in response to a providential rainfall."

Virginians have another tie to our modern Thanksgiving celebration. Alexandria's famous son George Washington issued his first Presidential proclamation on Oct. 3, 1789, by calling for day of public thanksgiving, fasting (not feasting) and prayer on Thursday, Nov. 2, for the many blessings God had bestowed on our country, asking pardon for our national transgressions, and seeking His aid in our future endeavors. Later governors and presidents continued this tradition of setting aside a day for thanksgiving.

It is appropriate for us to celebrate today, like our predecessors, with attendance at a thanksgiving service to God as well as feasting and fun with family and friends.

We Virginians are proud to tell our story and claim our heritage as the first English-speaking people to celebrate a public thanksgiving for our personal blessings as well as those to our community and nation.

**Ellen Latane Tabb**

Alexandria

**Richard Abell**

Mount Vernon

## Win-Win Solution

To the Editor:

The City Council is now seriously considering using its power of eminent domain to take the parking lot owned by the Old Dominion Boat Club at the foot of King Street on the Potomac River.

I support the council taking this step, if it is necessary, but I don't believe it should be necessary.

There is at least one compelling reason for removing the parking lot. The area where the lot is located is an exceptionally important historic area of Alexandria; indeed, it is a key part of this port city's story. To keep a surface parking lot in that location in perpetuity — even if it was reduced in size, as the city proposed last summer — would be an affront to all who care about Alexandria's proud history.

There is a simple solution to this controversy, one that would benefit the boat club and the public. It was proposed in the first draft of the city's waterfront plan, but then dropped.

City staff had proposed moving the club's parking lot to the ground level of a new restaurant/retail building that would frame a redesigned Waterfront Park — a site immediately adjacent to where the lot is now located.

Thus, the club would still have a convenient and secure parking area.

The city also offered to give the club a portion of the tax revenues from the restaurant and retail uses, money that the club could use, for example, to pay for repairs or renovations of its clubhouse.

The boat club never gave a public response to this potential win-win solution. Perhaps the city could sweeten the offer in

some way. It would be worth it.

**Bill Hendrickson**

Alexandria

## Participate In Smokeout

To the Editor:

Thursday, Nov. 21, marks the 38th annual Great American Smokeout sponsored by the American Cancer Society. The Smokeout encourages smokers to use the date to make a plan to quit, or to plan in advance and quit smoking that day. By quitting — even for one day — smokers will be taking an important step towards a healthier life — one that can lead to reducing their risk of cancer and other tobacco-related illnesses.

Tobacco use and exposure to secondhand smoke remain the leading causes of preventable or premature death and disease in the U.S.

Surveys consistently show that over 70 percent of smokers say they are "ready to quit" and about 50 percent make a quit attempt each year. However, only a small percent are successful due to the lack of easy access to effective cessation services. Such access is all the more difficult for residents of affordable housing since most are low-income and many are uninsured or underinsured.

The City Council should be congratulated for its recent action that will soon provide residents of affordable housing with easy access to affordable and effective comprehensive smoking cessation services (including counseling, nicotine replacement and pharmacological therapies). This action, coupled with its initiative over two years ago in placing smoke free signs in all city-owned parks, playgrounds and bus shelters, are concrete ways in which the City Council honors the Great American Smokeout every day of the year.

**Richard E. Merritt**

**And Ripley Forbes**

Co-Chairs, Alexandria Coalition  
for Clean and Smoke Free Air

## More Deficit Spending

To the Editor:

Beyond the reasons the Alexandria Council of Human Service Organizations' Fay D Slotnick's op-ed ["Expand Medicaid to Help Hard-Working Alexandrians," Gazette Packet, Nov. 7] gave for Virginia to expand Medicaid under ObamaCare, she failed to mention one: were Virginia to join Medicaid more money more readily would flow into the coffers of some human service organizations which today are not getting it or would have to jump through more hoops to get that money from other sources.

Approximately half the states have declined to join ObamaCare's Medicaid expansion. Although the federal government "promises" to cover all the costs now and 90 percent "forever," the federal government cannot realistically afford to do so

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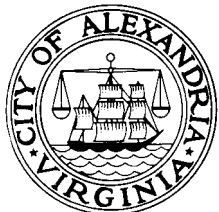


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## Legal Notices

### LEGAL NOTICE

Pursuant to the provision of section 4-1-16 of the code of the City of Alexandria, the Alexandria Police Department located at 3600 Wheeler Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22304 is now in possession of unclaimed bicycles, mopeds, lawn equipment, money, scooters, and other items. All persons having valid claim to the property should file a claim to the property with reasonable proof of ownership or the items will be sold, destroyed, converted or donated. For a complete listing go to <http://alexandriava.gov/police/> and contact the Police Property Section at (703) 746-6709.

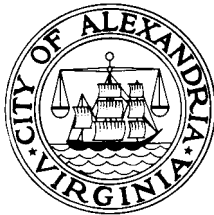


### TAKE NOTICE

The Alexandria City Council will hold a Special Public Hearing Meeting on Tuesday, November 19, 2013, at 6:00 p.m., in the City Council Chambers for the purpose of considering the following item:

The City's Options, Including Eminent Domain, for Implementing the Approved Waterfront Small Area Plan in the Center of the Plan at the Foot of King Street Including the Old Dominion Boat Club's Parking Lot and Adjacent Areas. Individuals with disabilities who require assistance or special arrangements to participate in the City Council meeting may call the City Clerk's Office at (703)746-4550 (TTY/TDD 703 838-5056.) We request that you provide a 48-hour notice so that the proper arrangements may be made. Copies of the docket are available in the City Clerk's Office, Room 2300, in City Hall.

Jackie M. Henderson  
City Clerk and Clerk of Council



Public Hearing will be held by the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, City of Alexandria, Virginia, on Saturday, November 16, 2013, at 9:30 a.m., or as soon as may be heard on the herein-after described items.

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AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain the Master Plan of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, by adopting and incorporating therein the amendment heretofore approved by city council to the Old Town North chapter of such master plan as the Master Plan Amendment No. 2013-0004 and no other amendments, and to repeal all provision of the said master plan as may be inconsistent with such amendment. (Implementation Ordinance for the Master Plan Amendment for the 700 North Washington Street Project approved by the City Council on October 19, 2013)

The proposed ordinance accomplishes the final adoption of Master Plan Amendment No. 2013-0004 to amend the land use and zoning maps in the Old Town North Small Area Plan Chapter of the Master Plan to change the designation of 700 and 710 North Washington Street from CD-X/Commercial Downtown (Old Town North) Zone to CRMU-X/Commercial Residential Mixed Use (Old Town North Zone).

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AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Sheet No. 054.04 of the "Official Zoning Map, Alexan-

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dria, Virginia," adopted by Section 1-300 (OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AND DISTRICT BOUNDARIES), of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning the property at 700 and 710 North Washington Street from CD-X/Commercial Downtown (Old Town North) Zone to CRMU-X/Commercial Residential Mixed Use (Old Town North) Zone in accordance with the said zoning map amendment heretofore approved by city council as Rezoning No. 2013-0003. (Implementation Ordinance for the Map Amendment for the 700 North Washington Street Project approved by City Council on October 19, 2013)

The proposed ordinance accomplishes the final adoption of Rezoning No. 2013-0003 to rezone the property at 700 and 710 North Washington Street from CD-X/Commercial Downtown (Old Town North) Zone to CRMU-X/Commercial Residential Mixed Use (Old Town North) Zone.

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AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 4-802 (PERMITTED USES) of Section 4-800 (OC/OFFICE COMMERCIAL ZONE), Section 4-902 (PERMITTED USES) of Section 4-900 (OCM(50)/OFFICE COMMERCIAL MEDIUM (50) ZONE), Section 4-1002 (PERMITTED USES) of Section 4-1000 (OCM(100)/OFFICE COMMERCIAL MEDIUM (100) ZONE) and Section 4-1102 (PERMITTED USES) of Section 4-1100 (OCH/OFFICE COMMERCIAL HIGH) all of Article IV (COMMERCIAL, OFFICE, AND INDUSTRIAL ZONES) and Sections 5-102 (PERMITTED USES) and 5-103 (SPECIAL USES) of Section 5-100 (CRMU-L/Commercial residential mixed use (low)), Sections 5-202 (PERMITTED USES) and 5-203 (SPECIAL USES) of Section 5-200 (CRMU-M/Commercial residential mixed use (medium)), Sections 5-302 (PERMITTED USES) and 5-303 (SPECIAL USES) of Section 5-300 (CRMU-H/Commercial residential mixed use (high)), and Section 5-402 (PERMITTED USES) of Section 5-400 (CRMU-X/Commercial residential mixed use (Old Town North) zone) all of Article V (MIXED USE ZONES) all of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in accordance with the text amendment heretofore approved by city council as Text Amendment No. 2013-0010 (Implementing Ordinance for the Text Amendment to add public school and social service uses to the Commercial and mixed use zones approved by the City Council on October 19, 2013)

The proposed ordinance accomplishes the final adoption of Text Amendment No. 2013-0010 to add Schools and Social Service uses to certain Commercial and Mixed Use zones.

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AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 11-500 (SPECIAL USE PERMITS) of Division B (DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS) of Article IX (DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS AND PROCEDURES) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in accordance with the text amendment heretofore approved by city council as Text Amendment No. 2013-0008 (Implementation Ordinance for the Text Amendment to address Visitor Guest permits in the Residential Parking Permit Program approved by City Council on October 19, 2013)

The proposed ordinance accomplishes the final adoption of Text Amendment No. 2013-0008 to add section 11-514 to clarify that Development Special Use Permit conditions restricting Residential Permit Parking Districts permits do not apply to visitor, guest or business/contractor permits.

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AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Article N (ALEXANDRIA COMMISSION ON INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY) of Chapter 4 (COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS) of Title 2 (GENERAL GOVERNMENT) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, 1981, as amended. The proposed ordinance amends the City Code to accomplish the changes to the composition and functions of the Commission on Information Technology directed by the City Council as discussed on docket item #15 on November 12, 2013. THE PUBLIC IS ADVISED THAT AMENDMENTS OR ADDITIONS MAY BE MADE TO PROPOSED ORDINANCES WITHOUT FURTHER PUBLICATION. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT PERSONS INTERESTED IN ANY OF THESE ORDINANCES OBTAIN FREE FULL-TEXT COPIES FROM THE CITY CLERK AT CITY HALL. JACKIE M. HENDERSON, MMC, CITY CLERK

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without increasing taxes, cutting other services such as the military which will more adversely affect Virginia than most of the states which have expanded Medicaid, or running even huger deficits. ObamaCare's Medicaid expansion is essentially being put on the federal government's tab and being funded out of the deficit.

Moreover, over time, the states which join the Medicaid expansion will draw disproportionate shares of folks who need health care and also are more likely to need other human services. These states will become magnets for the needy, many of whom will need other services besides health care, which will call on state and local budgets to fund services which the federal government won't cover. By contrast, those states which do not expand Medicare, as Virginia has thus far successfully resisted doing, will see their overall human services costs lowered as the needy leave for states providing more generous benefits.

**Dino Drudi**  
Alexandria

## Fiscally Irresponsible

To the Editor:

Sometime ago when Citizens for an Alternative Alexandria Waterfront under Andrew MacDonald's leadership wanted to buy some of the Washington Post Company's waterfront property for green open space, this idea was met with heaps of scorn. How ridiculous, how fiscally irresponsible to suggest buying such expensive land at the river's edge, the proponents of the now enacted waterfront plan said. The owners of that land wanted to sell it and eventually did so for an undisclosed price.

Now Mayor Euille and that same group of waterfront plan proponents want to acquire a large part

if not all of the Old Dominion Boat Club parking lot for construction of an open paved plaza at the end of King Street. The boat club does not want to sell its parking lot so the mayor is threatening to use eminent domain. He also says that the boat club is being unreasonable and stubborn in refusing the city's offers. That would be true only if there were ample parking for all visitors to the waterfront. All of us who live in the Alexandria know that parking in that area is extremely hard to find. The boat club is a private entity which collects dues from members. Part of what the members receive for their dues is a boat launch at the shore line next to their parking lot and the convenience of adjacent parking. Not having to circle the area looking for a parking spot that may not exist anywhere within walking distance to the club is an important amenity. If the City Council decides to go forward with eminent domain, Alexandria will have to pay for whatever is taken from the boat club. That price will ultimately be determined by a court, probably after both the club and the city spend pay significant legal fees over what each side as already spent.

As I understand the law the Virginia General Assembly passed recently, the subject of an eminent domain taking is entitled not just to the worth of whatever land was taken, but compensatory damages, if its ability to carry on its usual operations is diminished. The argument that it cannot operate successfully without its parking would certainly be available to the boat club. I foresee our city spending a great deal of money on a small piece of property at a time when the city is facing many fiscal challenges. It would be fiscally irresponsible.

Let the boat club be a good neighbor by replacing its chain length fence with one acceptable to the Board of Architectural Review for the Old and Historic Dis-

trict. At the same time, the boat club should replace its asphalt parking lot with one with a pervious surface. In the age of global warming, either an asphalt parking lot or a paved plaza at the water's edge is obscene.

**Katy Cannady**  
Alexandria

## Time To Be Thankful

To the Editor:

Awe: the beauty of the holidays, a Thanksgiving-time full of autumn leaves throughout the city, a season of fashion and sense of warmth.

We capture moments full of laughter and conversations. We all have our own manner of speaking — sometimes without a word spoken and yet heard.

I recently had a brief conversation with a gentleman, whom I respect, with a beautiful family and do keep in mind for the holidays. As a voluntary activist I try my best to reach out to help those in need to receive supplies, food, clothing, etc. from charitable organizations. Yet I found myself a little speechless a few weeks ago. I said to the gentleman: "I didn't place your name on the Thanksgiving basket list, but will for Christmas." The reply was: "I saw you talking to the lady without any children. I was wondering why you didn't ask me if we needed or wanted a Thanksgiving basket?"

That's where I had to just listen without a word for a bit. Then I just stated nicely my list was full and often the same people receive baskets each year. Since so many are in need, I give others a chance to receive even without any children. Let's be thankful for what we do have and all the little blessings throughout the holidays. Happy Thanksgiving to all.

**Geri Baldwin**  
Alexandria



## Tiny Dancers Receives Accolades

**Tiny Dancers, located on S. Washington Street in Old Town, has been voted "Best Ballet or Dance Studio" by readers of Washington Family Magazine. In addition, Tiny Dancers was previously named among the "Best in Virginia" by Virginia Living Magazine and "Best of NoVa" by Northern Virginia Magazine. The company offers a literacy based curriculum designed for children ages 2-12. See [www.tinydancers.com](http://www.tinydancers.com).**

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# TC Football Ends 22-Year Playoff Drought

**Titans will travel to face South County in opening round of regionals.**

BY JON ROETMAN  
GAZETTE PACKET

**T**.C. Williams head football coach Dennis Randolph sensed the potential for a letdown prior to his team's regular-season finale against West Potomac on Nov. 9.

The Titans already had a historic achievement under their belts — qualifying for the postseason for the first time since 1990. Would they approach this game with focus and passion or rest on their laurels?

"Today, I was a little disappointed in our approach to the game," Randolph said afterward. "Before the game ... I think there was a little bit of that, 'We're in, maybe that's enough.'"

A second-half shutout by the TC defense helped the Titans avoid entering the playoffs on a sour note.

T.C. Williams defeated rival West Potomac 24-14 on Saturday afternoon at Parker-Gray Stadium. The victory gave the Titans their first seven-win season in more than a decade and eliminated the Wolverines from the playoff hunt.

T.C. Williams, which this season snapped a 22-year playoff drought, enters the postseason having won its last two games. Two-way lineman Jeremiah Clarke, who is committed to the University of North Carolina, said the Titans are pleased with getting into the playoffs, but there is more work to be done.

"It's special," Clarke said. "It feels great. You feel excited that you accomplished a goal, that you got into the playoffs, a goal we set from Day One. ... Whoever we play



**T.C. Williams running back Lamont Whiteside rushed for 121 yards and a touchdown against West Potomac.**

in the first round better be ready because we're coming in with a lot of confidence, a lot of excitement and we're ready to play.

"... Our goal wasn't just to make the playoffs, it was to go far in the playoffs and be a contender for states. Our intensity will be even greater now that we're in the playoffs and then that goal is one step closer."

T.C. Williams received the No. 9 seed in the VHS's 6A North region power points poll and will travel to face No. 8 South County at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 15. South County won the regular-season meeting between the teams, 44-37, on Oct. 12 at Parker-Gray Stadium.

While the Titans have unfinished business, the fact they're still playing is a notable accomplishment. TC in recent seasons has come close to snapping the program's lengthy playoff drought, but couldn't get

over the hump. In 2009, the Titans needed a win against Lee in the regular-season finale to earn a playoff berth, but TC fell behind 20-0 on its home field and eventually lost 27-13.

In 2010, TC finished 6-4, its first winning season since 1995, but missed out on the playoffs.

The Titans finished 3-7 in 2011 and 5-5 in 2012 before earning a playoff berth in 2013.

"It feels great," TC defensive coordinator Avery Williams said. "It's why I'm here. It feels great. All the credit goes to the guys. They've worked extremely hard over the last three years. Guys working out in the weight room, traveling up and down the East Coast going to camps, working on their technique, understanding the fundamentals of the game. They deserve this."

The defense played a major role in Saturday's victory over West Potomac. The Wolverines tied the score at 14-all when quarterback DeMornay Pierson-El reached the end zone on a 3-yard run on the final play of the first half, but West Potomac didn't score the rest of the game.

The greatest challenge facing the Titans on Saturday was finding a way to contain

Pierson-El, who is committed to the University of Nebraska as a slot receiver and kick returner. TC finished with 10 sacks and limited Pierson-El to a pair of first-half touchdown runs.

Linebacker Kevin Perry led TC with 17 tackles, two sacks and a forced fumble. Jeremy Wahyudi had 11 tackles and two sacks, and Kyreem Walton had 10 tackles, two sacks and a forced fumble.

"He's a great player," Walton said about Pierson-El. "He showed why Nebraska picked him up. He showed his DI potential. ... You've got to actually buzz your feet with him. ... You've got to actually watch him because any move, he'll take advantage of any space."

TC running back Lamont Whiteside rushed for 121 yards and a touchdown. Quarterback Darius Holland threw a 20-yard touchdown pass to Alex Bledsoe and had a 21-yard touchdown run.

Randolph, in his seventh season as head coach of the Titans, missed part of the 2011 campaign while battling pancreatic cancer. Randolph beat the disease and returned to the team.

"Ninety-six percent of the people [diagnosed with pancreatic cancer] don't get up in the morning anymore," Randolph said. "After a year, they don't make it. Every day [for me] is a cherry on top. This is also one. Everything that happens, happens for a reason and I thank God that I was able to make it through what I went through, but that has nothing to do with us making the playoffs."

"There was a time a couple years ago where I thought I may be getting out (of coaching) soon. After I got sick and everything I went through, I just decided I'm not ready to get out. I still like doing what I do every day."



**T.C. Williams senior Philip Tyler carries the ball against West Potomac on Nov. 9.**



**T.C. Williams linebacker Kyreem Walton (27) tackles West Potomac receiver R. Marquis Saldana during the Titans' win.**

PHOTOS BY LOUISE KRAFT/GAZETTE PACKET



# Program Benefits Business-Oriented Veterans

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which was \$30,000 at the time. ... Not having to pay that really made a difference."

Transitioning to civilian life can be tricky. After years of service in the Armed Forces, many find it difficult maintaining their career momentum

"Organizations like the IFA, Operation Enduring Opportunity and those initiatives really provide the information you need to succeed at something you want to get into, which for me, I was interested in working for myself so it worked for me," he said.

VET-FRAN, an initiative of the International Franchise Association (IFA), has been in effect since 1991. In unison with Operation Enduring Opportunity, launched in 2011, the IFA is committed to helping veterans to obtain self-employment and become small business owners.

The leaders of IFA, Alexandria-based Military Officers Association of America and the Small Business Association, among others, were gathered at Franklin's UPS store just ahead of Veteran's Day to recognize the anniversary of the launch of Operation Enduring Opportunity on Veteran's Day in 2011 and to announce a new partnership between the organizations to work towards fueling the economy and supporting veterans' transition.

Jeanne Hulit, acting administrator of the Small Business Administration, and Steve

Caldeira, IFA president & CEO of the International Franchise Association, posed for pictures and signed an agreement signifying a newfound commitment of their organizations to veterans. According to representatives in the MOAA, SBA and the IFA, it doesn't matter what Congress or the Department of Defense are doing with retiree benefits, its important that those in the private sector pick up the slack and show their appreciation for veterans and their role in rejuvenating the economy.

Part of the goal of these programs is bridging the gap between those who have dreams and those who have access to capital.

After WWII, veterans became the driving force behind an emerging U.S. economy. They continue to this day, as of 2013, veterans own and operate 2.5 million small businesses in the U.S. and have created 6 million jobs, according to figures released by the Small Business Association on Tuesday.

"Exactly. This problem doesn't really tend to affect those receiving a retirement or pension as seriously because most higher ranking officers and enlisted these days tend to have a bachelor's degree and many by the time they pass 20 years have a master's," said retired U.S. Army Col. Bob Norton, deputy director for government relations at the Military Officers Association of America, referring to the difficult transition to civil-

ian life that many service members face. "It's really the guys who served tours in Afghanistan and are coming back, those who served say six or seven years — and women are at risk as well, being that many military personnel are single parents — or those in the age bracket 18-24, they are the ones most at risk."

The unemployment rates for those between the ages of 18-24 are high. According to the 2010 Census, the unemployment rates for those 16 to 19 and 20 to 24 were 25.9 and 15.5 percent. It's an employer's market, or a labor surplus, so times are especially hard for those trying to start out in any career.

"They aren't asking for a handout, just an opportunity to show their skills," Norton said. "They may be a world class expert and might have no idea how needed they are in a given industry. These programs provide them with the ability to get those civilian certifications that make all the difference in success. Some veterans come out and don't know what's out there, so we are here to make sure that there are those there to be mentors to the young men and women."

Federal programs, which are vital to the success of veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families, are in danger of being limited or even eliminated all together. "In particular on the G.I. Bill, I am a supporter of the idea that it's a bad idea to have two

G.I. Bills," Norton said, referring to the Montgomery G.I. Bill, applied to those retiring in the last decade, and the new Post-9/11 G.I. Bill. "I think the new one is miles and miles ahead of the old one and definitely does more to support our veterans. But, it is more expensive."

Organizations like MOAA are focused on fighting to preserve the rights of veterans, and what is one of the few hopes for job security and secure retirement that remains in the U.S. economy.

"This is when we are really at our best," Norton said. "There's nothing we can do better than to acknowledge the service of veterans."

## BULLETIN BOARD

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### MONDAY/NOV. 18

**Open House.** 9 a.m. at Saint Rita Catholic School, 3801 Russell Road. Learn about the elementary and preschool through tours and presentation. Visit [www.saintrita-school.org](http://www.saintrita-school.org) for more.

### TUESDAY/NOV. 19

**Waterfront Commission.** 7:30 a.m. City Hall, Room 2000, 301 King St. Contact Jack Browand, [jack.browand@alexandriava.gov](mailto:jack.browand@alexandriava.gov), 703-746-5504.

**City Council Special Meeting and Public Hearing.** 6 p.m. City Hall, Council Chamber, 301 King St. Contact 703-746-4500.

### WEDNESDAY/NOV. 20

**Alexandria Works! Coalition Meeting.** 10 a.m. JobLink, 1900 Beauregard St. Contact Dennis McKinney, 703-746-5874.



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## OPINION

# Living Life Their Way

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"What do you want? What do you dream of doing? What do you see in your future?" The same kind of questions that any young adult might be asked. The questioner has to remember that if he or she doesn't get an answer, that doesn't mean there isn't one. It may mean the person needs to think about it, maybe figure out steps along the way and maybe, most importantly, feel safe enough and comfortable enough to say what they really want.

Their first choices on what they want to do and where they want to live may not work out. They may want to make a change, just like anyone else. They need to know

they have a right to make mistakes, just like everyone else.

The whole point of person-centered thinking is that there are individual solutions for individuals.

Housing can not just be a choice between group home or independent apartment, jobs must be more than rote work, and leisure activities offer the same variety that anyone might pursue.

To learn more about what is possible, what is good and what is still wrong, about life for today's adult with development disabilities, come to the workshop on Nov. 20 at 7 p.m. at the Beatley Library, 5005 Duke Street.

## BUSINESS NOTES

**The Inova Joseph Viar Jr. and Bonnie Christ Cancer Center – Alexandria** was recently presented with the 2012 Outstanding Achievement Award by the American College of Surgeons' Commission on Cancer. The award acknowledges cancer programs that achieve excellence in providing quality care to cancer patients.

**Boston Medical Group** has opened in Alexandria. The clinic will offer treatments for sexual dysfunction. Call 888-740-5163 or visit [www.bostonmedicalgroup.com](http://www.bostonmedicalgroup.com).

**Language Stars**, a provider of early childhood foreign language education, will begin offering new Arabic programs for children in the

Washington D.C. area this fall. Parents can register for Parents & Tots (1-3 year old) and Children Only (3-5 year old) in the Alexandria and McLean/N. Arlington Language Stars centers. Visit [www.languagestars.com/arabic](http://www.languagestars.com/arabic) to register for a free trial class.

The **Metropolitan School of the Arts** Studio in Alexandria has started its Training for Turkey adult fitness program now through Nov. 28, offering unlimited adult fitness classes for \$50. Metropolitan School of the Arts will host a Thanksgiving Day MetroBarre and Yoga Class on Thursday, Nov. 28 to bring in the holiday. Packages can be purchased at [www.metropolitanarts.org](http://www.metropolitanarts.org).

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## PEOPLE

# Local Author Produces Children's Book 'David Has a Purpose'

BY SENITRA T. MCCOMBS  
GAZETTE PACKET

**W**hen asked what do they want to be when they grow up, many children will recite a long and varied list of occupations from doctor to rocket scientist.

Alexandria resident and first-time author Inir Raissa Some's



Some

new children's book "David Has a Purpose" helps children to see that they, like the main character, have a God-given purpose.

"I want every parent to know

that their child has a purpose in life and I think its important that they help them to fulfill that purpose," she said.

The book was released this fall and is available through Tate Publishing and Enterprising (www.tatepublishing.com), Amazon and Barnes and Noble.

She drew most of her inspiration for the book from her own

faith and her family's interaction with her church, Action Chapel Virginia at 6295 Edsall Road.

"Bishop Kibby Otoo has been very encouraging and supportive. In fact, he is expecting me to write even more books," she said.

Some is actively involved in the children services, dance team and other activities at Action Chapel.

Being a mother, she knows the importance of guiding her two children, Nelsa and Lucio, in finding and fulfilling his or her God-given purpose.

She believes that parents can help their children by looking at what their child is good at whether it is painting, singing or dancing and to God for his guidance.

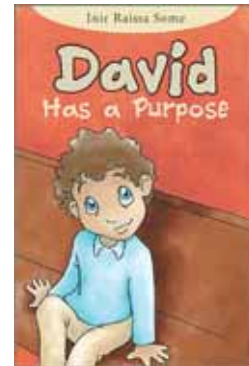
"I think that your purpose is tied to something you can do well. If you are good at drawing then it is more likely that their purpose is drawing or involves drawing," she said.

Even though this is her first book, Some said the greatest challenge was finding a publisher and other issues dealing with the publishing process. It took her six months to complete and publish the book.

One of her favorite hobbies includes thinking up new ideas for stories and plays.

She is already working on a new children's book featuring David where he learns more about God and all of his creations.

During her spare time, she also enjoys listening to music and watching movies and



cleaning or organizing. Even though she a fairly new resident, she really enjoys Old Town. "I love Alexandria, most people in this area are very friendly and respectful. You have all kinds of stores and restaurants in this area, Old Town Alexandria is alive," she said.

Some has a bachelor's in business administration from Strayer University.

**At Playfest: Tayler Boykin, Brittany Hinton (student holding trophy), DayQuon Henderson, Ghaida Elsher (in back), Bryanna Williams (forefront) and Danielle Stewart.**



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## Playfest Sold-out

**S**tudents, staff and community members performed in front of packed audiences both nights and shared their dreams, their disappointments and their unwillingness to accept dreams deferred for the Playfest at T.C. Williams Black Box Theatre this past weekend.

In 2011, the Playfest made its debut in the city at the Lee Center for the Performing Arts in Old Town and featured local playwrights Shanelle Gayden and Jason Ellis. This year there were more students involved in the production of the festival from the selection of the playwrights to the stage management.

TC Satellite students and staff were featured in the scenes dealing with teen pregnancy, legislation deeming homeboys as terrorists, struggling with identity, difficult relationships and the love of

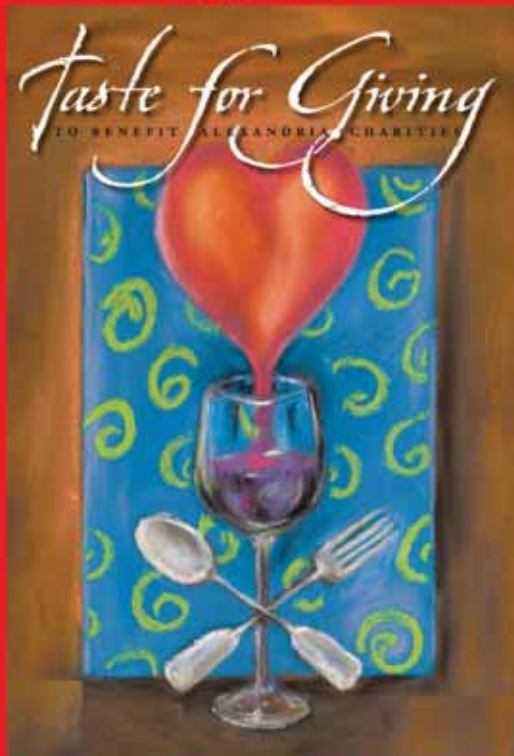
language.

Playfest was made possible by the support of Interim Superintendent Dr. Alvin Crawley, Deputy Superintendent Dr. Madye Henson, Dr. James Wilson (principal of TC Satellite Campus), Morning Bishop (founder), Larry Trice, Leslie Jones, Hope Bachman, Shawn Thorpe (Center for the Arts K12), Gary Ayers, Brittany Hinton, Anderson Jarreau, Anthony Pullen, DayQuon Henderson, Jaylen Levere, Ghaida Elsher, Danielle Stewart, Lerene Olliverrie (stage manager), Laura Olliverrie, Tayler Boykin and Bryanna Williams.

After each show, the actors gathered to share their creative process with the audience. Excerpts will be performed again during the BTE's Coffeehouse at the Leavey Center on the Georgetown University campus, Nov. 18, 7 p.m.

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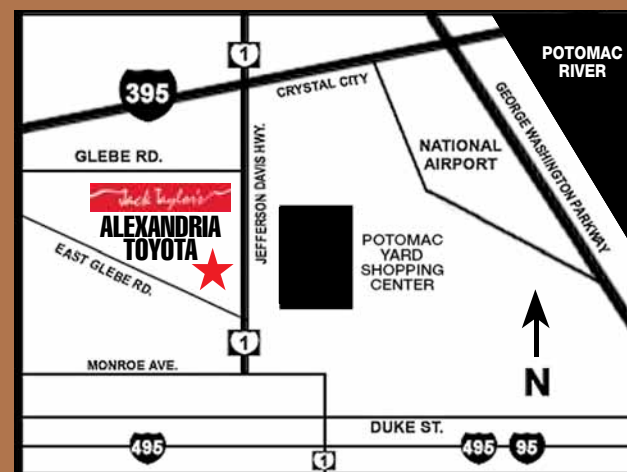
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## TOYOTA GENUINE SERVICE OIL & FILTER SERVICE SPECIAL **\$5.00 OFF**

**Includes:** Change oil, install Genuine Toyota oil filter,  
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multi-point inspection with print out.

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INCLUDES BATTERY INSTALLATION

**Includes:** 84 month warranty, 24 month **FREE** replacement,  
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**Includes:** Install Genuine Toyota front brake pads, inspect  
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**MACHINE ROTORS AN ADDITIONAL \$199.95.**

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**INCLUDES:** Lube, oil & filter change with up to 5 qts of oil, inspect  
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## OLD TOWN ALEXANDRIA \$1,050,000



### Prince Street Club Condo

Soaring 16-foot ceilings, sunlight streaming through the tall windows, and located in the heart of Old Town, this condo offers two spacious bedrooms and baths, a new gourmet kitchen and luxurious master bathroom. The family room features built-in bookshelves and an office area with custom cabinetry. Garage parking completes this unique property in this sought-after location.

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## ALEXANDRIA/ROSEMONT PARK \$995,000



### Renovated & Expanded Historic Home

Conveniently located between two Metro stations, this modernized Sears bungalow has an expansive three-level addition. Formal living room adjoins the open concept updated kitchen with granite and hardwood floors. Stunning great room features 10-foot ceilings with slate floor and fireplace with double French doors opening onto brick patio and double lot.

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## ALEXANDRIA \$849,000



### Elegant Custom Colonial

Perfect blend of modern dazzling design and classic architecture! The stately foyer warmly welcomes guests into the open concept main-level of this beautiful four-bedroom, three-and-a-half-bath home. The solarium offers spectacular views of surrounding lush greenery. Visit today and celebrate the holidays in a beautiful new home.

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## ALEXANDRIA \$565,000



### Style and Convenience

You'll love the location of this updated classic. Delightful three-level, two-bedroom, two-bath home featuring refinished hardwoods, an updated kitchen with granite counters and stainless steel appliances, open floor plan, walk-in-closets, updated baths, a private patio and off-street parking.

**Jessica Richardson**

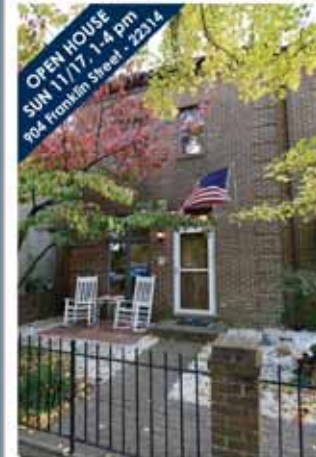
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## OLD TOWN ALEXANDRIA \$550,000



### Modern Old Town

With a beautifully renovated open kitchen, two bedrooms, two en-suite baths, plus a main level powder room, separate dining room and off-street parking, this unexpected townhouse is both stylish and practical. Hardwood floors, spacious loft, private patio and loads of storage. Great Old Town location.

**Jodie Burns**

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## OLD TOWN ALEXANDRIA \$765,000



### Simply Charming!

This end townhouse is located in the heart of Old Town just six blocks from the King Street Metro! Three finished levels of beautiful living space with pine floors, two fireplaces and a deep backyard with off-street parking for "4" cars!

**Paul Anderson**

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## ALEXANDRIA \$499,000



### Easy as 123...

Charming, detached, four-bedroom, one-and-a-half-bath, brick Cape Cod. New windows, new baths, beautiful hardwood floors, plaster walls, freshly painted. Lovingly cared for by the same family for years. Fenced rear yard with storage shed. Family room off kitchen, walk to King Street Metro, PTO, shopping and Metro Bus. Short walk to lovely park.

**Sarah King**

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## ALEXANDRIA \$562,000



### Old Town Crescent

Elegant, updated, two-bedroom, two-and-a-half-bath condo with a sophisticated flare. Open bright floor plan with 9-foot ceilings, new windows, gas fireplace, gleaming hardwoods. Upgraded GE Profile appliances in the open kitchen. Enjoy the easy commute, walk to shops and restaurants, underground parking for two cars, a fabulous roof top terrace.

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