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**Sparring for Fun** Layla Mohammed takes on Deontae Gaskins in the "boxing ring" at the Huntington Community Festival on Saturday. MORE PHOTOS, PAGE 3

## Status Report on New Hospital

BY GERALD A. FILL  
THE GAZETTE

Fort Belvoir senior military and civilian medical and administrative personnel conducted a public information meeting Monday, June 30, for the Mt. Vernon community about the status of construction of a new Fort Belvoir Community Hospital at Woodlawn Elementary School.

Belvoir spokesmen announced that construction of the hospital is one third completed and on track to be fully operational by Spring, 2011.

The new Fort Belvoir Community Hospital is a 1.3 million square foot, \$807 million state-of-the-art military facility. Literature distributed at the meeting stated: "The hospital will be part of an integrated health care network providing world-class medical services to service members and veterans, and is in response to the realignment of Walter Reed Army Medical Center and the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md. All planning for the new hospital at Fort Belvoir in the south is directly tied to planning for Bethesda in the north. The new hospital will replace the current 51-year-old DeWitt Hospital facility, which was dedicated in May 1957."

The new community hospital will grow from DeWitt's current 46 in-patient beds to 120 in-patient beds, and will utilize approximately 3,000 staff members. The existing DeWitt hospital staffing is about 1,300.

Spokesmen for Fort Belvoir at the public information meeting included two men responsible for military/medical/construction oversight of the hospital: Col. Charles W. Callahan, M.D. and Dr. Richard



USACE PHOTO BY MARC BARNES

**Architectural renderings of the new Fort Belvoir Community Hospital.**

Repetta. They and other military leaders briefed the attendees and answered questions about the construction status and the planned components of this hospital and related medical services complex. The facility is being constructed by general contractor Turner-Gilbane.

Attendees asked questions about parking, pharmacy services, and expressed concern about the lack of adequate plans to accommodate the projected traffic increase on U.S. route 1. On this latter issue, the Fort Belvoir base literature forecasts 19,300 military and civilian employees when the alignment is completed by the fall of 2011. The additional employees, patients, and visitors will place enormous pressure on Route 1 to accommodate additional traffic in the entire south county region according to attendees. Fort Belvoir spokesmen discussed the infrastructure improvements — roads, bridges, utilities

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## Consolidating for Business Growth

**Momentum is building behind comprehensive plan changes to encourage redevelopment.**

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE  
THE GAZETTE

Imagine going to a doctor's appointment, stopping by the dry cleaners and having lunch before selecting a birthday gift for a friend and mailing the package out of state. Today on Richmond Highway, each of those stops would require its own trip and a separate parking place. But in the future, all of these might be accomplished with one trip — arriving at a destination point and then walking to each of these locations conveniently linked with pedestrian access points and attractive landscaping.

"Town center is a phrase that's overused," said Debi Sandlin, executive director of the Southeast Fairfax Development Corporation.

"Town centers are creating something where nothing previously existed. What's needed in the Route One corridor is a mixed-use urban environment that incorporates bits and pieces that are already there."

But creating mixed-use development from Fort Belvoir to the Capital Beltway is easier said than done, and years of effort in that direction has yielded only minimal progress. That's why several community leaders are now engaged in an effort to work toward modifying the county's comprehensive plan. Mount Vernon Supervisor Gerald Hyland said he will soon be meeting with area civic associations and business groups to consider ways the comprehensive

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## Use Senior Center? Pay New \$48 Fee

**Charge goes into effect July 1 to help fund senior services.**

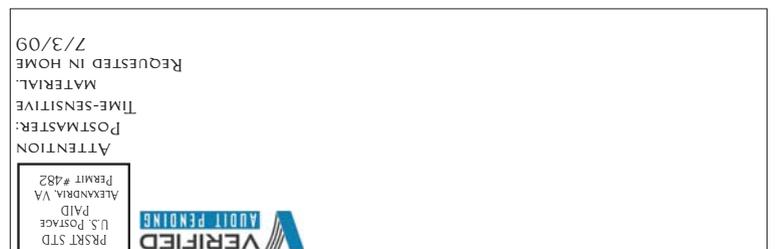
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THE GAZETTE

As part of an overall effort to make up for revenue shortfalls and to avoid planned cuts in senior services, the Board of Supervisors decided to impose a \$48 individual annual

user fee for seniors who wish to take advantage of the community and recreation services at the county's 13 senior centers.

The new fee is projected to yield \$434,601 for various seniors programs. Mt. Vernon Supervisor

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# Consolidating Properties

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plan could encourage developers to consolidate smaller parcels by giving them greater density in return.

“It’s a trade-off,” said Hyland. “Right now we’re kind of hamstrung because many of the lots are smaller and don’t have a lot of depth. So we need to find ways to entice the development community.”

**ENTER THE COMP PLAN** — a legally required guide for making land-use decisions for Fairfax County. From August to September, nominations will be considered during an Area Plans Review process for the southern half of Fairfax County. With the period for nomination set to open in the next few weeks, behind-the-scenes discussions have been brewing about what kind of changes could be possible with changes to the comprehensive plan. Yet many in the business community are skeptical about the limits of mixed-use development.

“Right now, the county needs to make sure that commercial properties remain commercial properties,” said Holly Dougherty, executive director of the Mount Vernon-Lee Chamber of Commerce. “Our concern is retaining the commercial properties we already have.”

One thing everyone seems to agree on is doing away with the old-fashioned model of small-scale buildings with individual parking lots. But undoing decades of planning decisions is more complicated than changing zoning codes. That’s why momentum has been building in recent weeks to find ways to encourage developers to consolidate smaller parcels of land in favor of larger-scale developments that could be considered destination points. By allowing developers greater density with increased floor-area ratios, changes to the comprehensive plan could encourage consolidation of smaller parcels of land into the large-scale developments that could create the kind of destination points that have been advocated for years.

“It’s hard to put an eight-story office tower on a half-acre lot,” said David Dale, co-chairman of the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens’ Associations. “The comprehensive plan creates an opportunity to encourage development of certain parcels of land while also outlining certain restrictions.”

**IN THE NEXT** few weeks, Hyland will be meeting with business and civic leaders to hash out details of what kind of changes — if any — could be written into the county’s comprehensive plan.

Dale said he sees the process as a way to address the lingering problem created by the small-scale parcels of land that have been traditionally difficult to transform into larger scale mixed-use developments. He said it could also ease congestion on Richmond Highway by getting people out of their cars and into pedestrian friendly environments.

“Sections of Richmond Highway are an ugly strip mall,” said Dale. “But if we unified the area into high-density mixed use, you could potentially get a lot of traffic off Richmond Highway and circulating through the development.”



Daniel Flores tries his arm at sinking a tent in the dunk tank.



Rim-Y Bey and Ziah Ayubu.

## Huntington Community Hosts Annual Festival

**M**usic, food, local businesses, volunteers and Fairfax County Public Safety officers were on hand to greet the Huntington residents at the annual community festival last Saturday.

The black top in the basketball courts were topped with a moon bounce and “boxing ring” and train ride for the children.

Inside the center, local businesses set up booths showing their services and products.

On the west side of the center, a stage was erected and entertainment, food vendors and artists set up a flea market.

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Erika and Leona Rush have their own ways about sun glasses.



Marta and Jose Castro, neighbors of the community center come out to enjoy the music.



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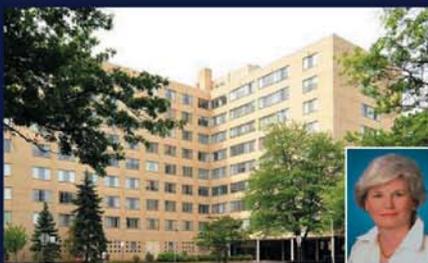
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# Fairfax Out of Road Money

If it's not already under construction, it probably won't happen anytime soon.

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE  
THE GAZETTE

Virginia allocated such a small amount of funding for new secondary road construction projects in Fairfax County this year that the money would barely cover the cost of installing one single traffic signal in the locality, according to officials.

The Virginia Department of Transportation awarded Fairfax about \$240,000 for all new secondary road construction, about 2.5 percent of the \$ 11 million the county received for the same purpose last year.

"A fairly minor signal? Yes, [\$240,000] might cover it. But some traffic signals cost between \$250,000 and \$300,000 to put in," said Kathy Ichter, director of Fairfax County's Department of Transportation.

In most of the past decade, the commonwealth has given Fairfax between \$20 million and \$30 million annually for secondary road construction. At the time, elected officials and county staff said that amount of money was grossly inadequate to meet Fairfax's needs.

But the shortfalls of years past pale in comparison to what the county could face in the future. Virginia officials have told Ichter to expect Fairfax's funding for new secondary road construction could remain at about \$240,000 per year or lower for the foreseeable future.

"Over the next two to three years, people may not notice it because we have projects underway that have been in the pipeline for awhile and are already funded. After that, the difference is going to be substantial," said Ichter.

**IN FAIRFAX**, secondary roads are hardly secondary. The term applies to everything from the local, neighborhood cul de sac to major thoroughfares like Braddock and Rolling roads.

For example, with the exception of Route 123, nearly every street and corridor in the Springfield District is a "secondary road," according to Supervisor Patrick Herry (R-Springfield).

So the county's secondary road construction funding pool is expected to cover a wide range projects. New speed bumps, crosswalks, sidewalks, bike lanes, bus

stops, no-parking signs, stop signs, interchanges and the widening of existing roads are just some of the types of transportation enhancements that are supposed to be funded out of this pot of money, now at \$240,000.

The shortage of funds has resulted in several transportation projects being dropped or permanently put on hold.

**"In two or three years, when we have no new money coming in, it is going to be extremely difficult to get even basic new work done."**

— Kathy Ichter, director,  
Fairfax County Department of  
Transportation

Officials halted plans to widen parts of Rolling Road, Telegraph Road, Richmond Highway and Route 7 outside the Capital Beltway over the new few years. No money is available for interchange construction at Franconia-Springfield Parkway and Neuman Street, Franconia-Springfield Parkway and Interstate 95 or Franconia Road and South Van Dorn Street, according to Ichter.

"There are roads that have been included in the secondary program since 1986 and now there is no hope of getting them built in the short term," she said.

**LACK OF** "secondary road" construction funding could also im-

act much of the plans to redevelop Tysons Corner and other parts of northern Fairfax County around the new Metrorail extension. According to Ichter, there will be no state money to expand the number of bus routes or increase service on existing bus lines, even if passengers at the new Metro stations demand it.

There will also be no state money available to assist with developing a grid of streets or installing more pedestrian and bicycle paths in Tysons Corner, where the county hopes to create a more urban landscape, said Ichter.

"I think this will absolutely affect every resident. ... In two or three years, when we have no new money coming in, it is going to be extremely difficult to get even basic new work done," she said.

Due to the budget shortfall, the Virginia Department of Transportation is also unlikely to mow street medians and the public space along the side of many county roads, except in those areas the long grass poses a safety hazard for drivers.

**IN SOME CASES**, new transportation projects are moving forward because the federal or local government stepped in to fill the financial gap.

Federal stimulus money will allow construction of the final phase of the Fairfax County Parkway and a new interchange at the intersection of the Fairfax County Parkway, Fair Lakes Parkway and Monument Drive.

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Please be advised that on Saturday, July 4, 2009, between 12:30 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. and between 9:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m., a brief fireworks display will take place as part of a public event (daytime) and a private event (nighttime) at George Washington's Mount Vernon Estate & Gardens. The Mount Vernon Ladies' Association thanks you for your tolerance and apologizes for any disruption.

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# OPINION

## No Money Fairfax County to receive \$250,000 for secondary road construction.

Between declining revenue because of the recession and the Virginia Supreme Court striking down the one significant transportation funding plan to come out of Richmond in the last decade, virtually all transportation projects in the state will now cease to exist.

There will be no money for intersection improvements, for widening roads, for bus lines, for filling potholes. No money for transit. Just no money.

If a project is currently under construction, or construction is about to be, it will continue. Otherwise there is no money in the pipeline.

This is a different kind of "no money" than the low-dollar budget that we have coped with in the past. A large jurisdiction like Fairfax County will see only about \$250,000 this year for secondary road construction, down to about a tenth of previous years.

EDITORIAL

In fact, Metrorail construction bringing rail through Tysons and out to Dulles Airport and the HOT-lanes construction underway on the Beltway are the only two major projects likely in the foreseeable future. Some federal money, some local money and increases on the Dulles toll road will pay for rail to Dulles construction. Federal money will also pay for improvements on the Fairfax County Parkway.

As for HOT-lanes, we suspect that many drivers stuck in traffic in the future will be surprised to discover that they can ride in newly added lanes for a steep toll of as much as \$1 a mile or more (\$14 or more for the trip from the American Legion Bridge to the Springfield interchange), and that the private company in this public-private partnership will get to keep 100 percent of that toll money to finance the construction.

We are suffering from election fatigue too,

and aren't ready to start in on the fact that every seat in the Virginia House of Delegates is on the ballot this November, along with state-wide races for governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, plus some special elections and ballot issues.

But these races matter, and every voter should stand ready to make candidates talk about real solutions to real problems, including funding for real transportation spending, dedicated funding for Metro and congestion relief. Likely every candidate will talk about Virginia's ranking as the top state for business. But it's hard to argue that Virginia is open for business if it's economic engine, Northern Virginia, can't solve a single congestion chokepoint or add a busline to bring riders to new Metro stations.

— MARY KIMM

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## July 1 Ushers in New Laws

BY LINDA T. "TODDY" PULLER  
STATE SENATOR (D-36)



COMMENTARY

The 2009 General Assembly passed legislation that will be of interest to the citizens of Virginia. The legislation was signed by the Governor and will go into effect July 1, 2009. Below is a list of some of the legislation that may have an impact on your daily lives. More detailed information on actions taken by the General Assembly this session is available on the Internet at: <http://legis.virginia.gov>. Click on Session Tracking for menu choices to select bill summaries or complete bill text for all legislation considered this session.

Text messaging while driving – Prohibits operation of a motor vehicle on the Commonwealth's highways while using a cell phone or any handheld personal communications device to either manually enter numbers or text in the device, or read email or text messages within the device. The prohibition does not extend to operators of emergency vehicles, operators who are lawfully parked or stopped, the use of global positioning systems (GPS) or digital dispatching systems, or handheld personal communications devices used to report an emergency. A first time violation will result in a fine of \$20 with subsequent violations resulting in fines of \$50. No citation will be issued unless the law enforcement officer has cause to stop the driver for the violation of some other law.

Elections – Allows a person to wear political shirts, hats, stickers, or other apparel at a polling place. Adds first responders (law enforcement officers, firefighters, and other first responders) to the list of people entitled to vote absentee.

Education – Requires local school boards to ensure that all elementary school teachers are provided an average of 30 minutes a day of planning time.

Energy – Authorizes localities to provide loans for the initial acquisition and installation of clean energy improvements. Permits investor-owned electric utilities to recover costs of designing, implement-

ing, and operating energy efficiency programs.

Environment – Establishes a Disabled Veteran's Passport program that provides free parking and admission and a discount on activity fees and rentals for veterans with a service-connected disability rating of 100 percent.

FOIA - Protects Social Security numbers by exempting the first five digits of a Social Security number contained in a public record from being released under the Freedom of Information Act.

Local Government – Authorizes local governments to provide real estate tax abatements and fee refunds if owners submit timely plans for demolition or renovation. Permits courts to order a person convicted of unlawfully defacing property to pay full or partial restitution to the locality for costs of removing or repairing the defacement.

Virginia Tax Amnesty Program – Authorizes the State Tax Commissioner to operate a tax forgiveness program any time between July 1, 2009, and June 30, 2010. Would be open to any one required to file a state income tax return or pay state income tax due for any taxable year before January 1, 2008.

Homestead exemption – Increases the homestead exemption from \$5,000 to \$10,000 for householders 65 years of age or older. Increases the additional homestead exemption for disabled veterans from \$2,000 to \$10,000.

Indoor Clean Air Act – Prohibits smoking in all indoor restaurants and bar and lounge areas in Virginia. Exemptions are permitted where a smoking area may be structurally separated from the portion of the restaurant where smoking is prohibited and this area must be separately vented. Requires posting of "No Smoking" signs. The Indoor Clean Air Act becomes effective in December 2009 rather than July 1.

**THIS IS A LISTING** of some of the laws passed in the 2009 Session. If you have questions or want a more complete listing, please use the Internet site listed above or call or e-mail my office at: 703 765-1150, [tpuller@aol.com](mailto:tpuller@aol.com).

## LETTERS

### Any Conflicts Of Interest?

To the Editor:

State Del. Kris Amundson (D-44) is president of a company that "develops and writes educational materials for school administrators, school board members, parents, teachers and students"...? Couldn't have been any possible conflicts of interest there — relative to her position as state delegate?

**Rich Keil**  
Alexandria

### Speed Limit Change Halted

To the Editor:

We have good news to report. On May 28, we sent a letter to Virginia Secretary of Transportation Pierce Homer asking him not to proceed with VDOT's planned reduction of the speed limit on Route One.

In that letter, we shared with Secretary Homer the results of many conversations with constituents, civic associations, and businesses along the highway. "Our conversations have left us with one overwhelming impression," we wrote. "Our citizens do not want the speed limit lowered."

Today, we are pleased to announce that VDOT will respect the wishes of the people who live and work here. The speed limit will remain where it has been, at 45 mph.

Thanks to everyone who played

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an active role in this issue — from Supervisors Hyland and McKay, who convened town meetings, to Captain David Moyer, commander of the Mt. Vernon District Station, who backed up our argument that lowering the speed limit would not make the roadway safer, to the citizens and businesses who also made their voices heard.

We also want to update you on the progress that has been made and is being planned along Richmond Highway. The County Department of Transportation has released a two-page list of intersection and walkway improvements that are either completed, underway, or on the schedule in the next five years. Here is just a short listing:

Projects completed:

- ❖ Route 1 widened to 6 lanes from Telegraph Rd./Old Colchester Rd. to Lorton Rd.

- ❖ Intersection improvements at Route 1 and Mt. Vernon Memorial Hwy.

- ❖ Intersection improvements at Route 1 and Engleside Post Office

- ❖ Constructed sidewalk on the northbound side of Route 1 from south of Sherwood Hall La. to Gum Springs Center

- ❖ Constructed sidewalk along the northbound side of Route 1 south and north of Quander Rd.

- ❖ Completed the upgrade of all Route 1 pedestrian signals to countdown signals

- ❖ Completed the interchange of Route 1 and I-495 (a \$770 million project).

Many more safety improvements are in the works. Such as the intersection improvements at Route 1 at Mt. Vernon Memorial Hwy./Old Mill Rd.-Mulligan Rd.

You can see the full listing of Route One transportation projects completed and planned on our web sites (www.amundson.org, www.marksickles.com, and www.toddy.org). It is significant that these Route 1 improvements are taking place in these difficult budget times — the Virginia Department of Transportation has cut its budget by \$3.7 billion since 2007. VDOT is in the process of laying off up to 1,000 employees, shutting down local field offices and closing 19 rest areas on July 1.

It is political gridlock that has prevented funds for a longer term fix. We need to have a clear community plan for Route 1 so that when the General Assembly passes a transportation bill, our project will be ready to go.

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**Sen. Toddy Puller**  
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# Emergency Field Day

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The “Field Day” exercise to demonstrate emergency communications, started at 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 27 and ended 24 hours later on Sunday.

Venturing Crew 80, operating under charter from Boy Scouts of America and sponsored by First Christian Church on King St. and co-sponsored by the Mt. Vernon Amateur Radio Club, set up transmitting towers and receivers behind the Westminster Presbyterian Church on Cameron Mills Road.

The scouts started their log of contacts made throughout the day. Power to run the receivers was provided by batteries and solar power rechargers. A generator was also on hand. In case of an emergency, electrical power supplies might not be readily available.

To learn more about Amateur Radio, go to [www.emergency-radio.org](http://www.emergency-radio.org).

Across town at the Lee Center, the Alexandria Radio Club settled in for the duration. Towers were constructed including a new 40-meter

loop antenna, receivers inside the Alexandria Fire Department training rooms and outside on the fields along with a special mobile unit.

This annual event, called “Field Day” is the climax of “Amateur Radio Week” sponsored by the ARRL, the national association for Amateur Radio. Using only emergency power supplies, ham operators constructed emergency stations in parks, shopping malls, schools and back yards around the country. Their slogan, “Ham radio works when other systems don’t” is more than just words to the hams as they prove they can send messages in many forms without the use of phone systems, internet or any other infrastructure that can be compromised in a crisis. More than 30,000 amateur radio operators across the country participated in last year’s event.

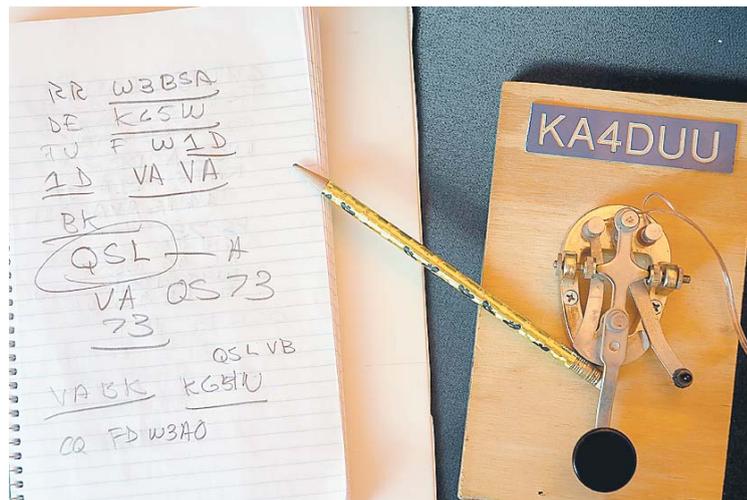


**A 40-meter loop antennae was constructed on the field behind the Lee Center.**

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**Burke resident Jimmy Carter begins his evening log searching the frequencies for calls.**



**Contacts were made through Morse Code transmissions as well as voice mics.**



**Ian Keith and Kevin Kellbach take down contact info through their Morse Code transmitters and receivers.**

## Bond Referendum To Aid Local Schools

BY GERALD A. FILL  
THE GAZETTE

Mount Vernon District voters will be going to the polls this coming November to vote on a School Bond Referendum that has a significant impact on local Mt. Vernon area schools. The vote will determine if selected local schools will receive the necessary money to renovate and/or expand.

❖ The following schools in the Mount Vernon area slated for construction funding if the November Bond Referendum passes: South County Middle School, \$50 million for a new school; Carl Sandburg Middle School, \$2.5 million for architectural and engineering plans; Woodley Hills Elementary School, \$4.9 million estimate for expansion, and Walt Whitman Middle

School, \$4.7 million estimate for expansion.

❖ **Modular Relocations:** To install 10 modular classroom units to improve capacity for Riverside Elementary; estimated at \$1.5 million.

❖ **Infrastructure Enhancements:** County-wide funding of \$26 million. This will include Mount Vernon area schools in the following areas of need: fire alarm system replacement/improvements, maintenance (including roof repair and replacement), handicap access installations, special needs improvements, mechanical and HVAC repair and replacement, asphalt repaving, etc.

The School Board has appointed a county-wide Bond Committee to explain to Fairfax County voters the details of what is in the referendum and the benefits of supporting it in the fall. The Mount Vernon appointee to the School Bond Committee is Kimberly Kern.

The committee is charged with explaining the process by which the construction projects were selected, what the actual construction will accomplish, and answer any questions about the county-wide referendum.

Voters can only cast one vote for or against the entire Bond Referendum; there is no provision in State law or regulation to vote for a particular school construction project.

The School Board is developing a brochure identifying the school construction projects in the county-wide School Bond Referendum. Copies will be available to the public Sept. 1, at any of the Fairfax County schools, libraries, the office of the Mt. Vernon supervisor at the Mt. Vernon governmental center, or on request through the Fairfax County Public Schools’ Web site.

## Sober Ride on Fourth of July

More than 40 percent of traffic deaths on Independence Day are alcohol related. Here in Northern Virginia, the Washington Regional Alcohol Program will offer a “SoberRide” program to help keep possible drunk drivers off the road.

Most people celebrating the Fourth of July will make plans to celebrate at home, to celebrate without alcohol or to have a designated driver in place when it is time to get home.

But for those who find themselves without an alternative, WRAP will offer a free taxi ride home, so there is no excuse for driving under the influence.

For 12 hours beginning at 4 p.m. on Saturday, July 4th and continuing until 4 a.m. July 5, residents may call the toll-free SoberRide phone number 1-800-200-TAXI and be afforded a no-cost (up to a \$ 50 fare), safe way home.

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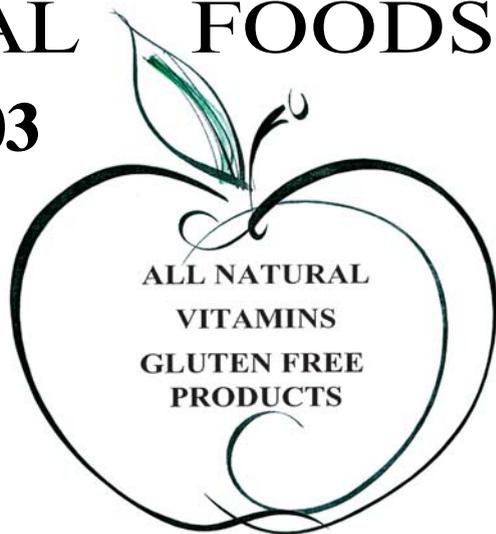
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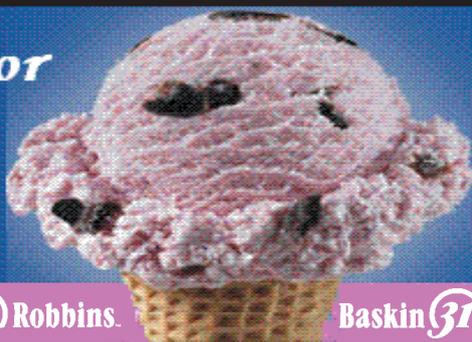
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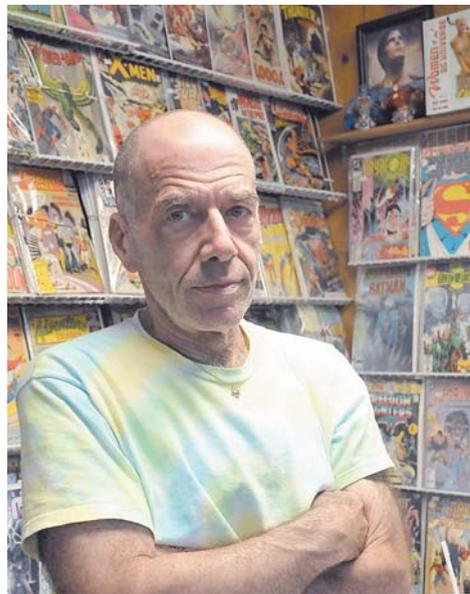
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In days past, book pages turned lazily in the summer sun. They may still. A number of shops cater to niches and general reading on King Street in Old Town Alexandria.

Book Bank carries a wide variety of fiction and non-fiction in addition to a children's section. Pauline Books & Media is operated by the Daughters of St. Paul. The mission of the order is to spread the Word of Christ through literature and the media. The Sacred Circle offers books, music and gifts for sale on spirituality, metaphysics, personal growth, holistic healing... And then for those graphic novel enthusiasts, there's Aftertime Comics.



**Howard Marshall behind the counter at Aftertime Comics, which is open seven days a week.**



**Book Bank Used Book owner Donald Alexander.**

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**Jessica Hammonds and Chris Gardener relax in Sacred Circle.**



**Sister Jamie Paula sorts through books at Pauline Books & Media.**

## Black History Museum Opens Jazz Exhibition

BY JAMES DENISON  
THE GAZETTE

The Alexandria Black History Museum opened a new exhibition June 18 which features a series of black-and-white photographs of various well-known jazz musicians from the Kansas City area. The 50 por-

traits, collectively entitled "The Fine Art of Jazz," are the work of Pulitzer Prize-winning photographer Dan White, who spent almost 20 years working on the project. Museum Director Louis Hicks notes that the facility has been "working very closely with Meade Memorial [Episcopal] Church to create a series of jazz-related exhibitions" at the museum, and that "The Fine Art of Jazz" is a part of that ongoing effort. Hicks cites the influence of local musician Courtney Brooks, who helped forge a relationship between the museum and the D.C. Blues Society before his death, and as well as the "wealth of music in the area" as factors that led to an increased interest in jazz on the museum's part, and, eventually, to the decision to bring the jazz exhibit to the museum.

Since its opening, the exhibition,



**"The Fine Art of Jazz," are the work of Pulitzer Prize-winning photographer Dan White, who spent almost 20 years working on the project**

which also includes a number of books on photography and jazz, has proven to be well-liked by all

who have taken the time to give it a visit. "It's been enthusiastically received so far," said Hicks, and

proof of his statement is found easily amongst the museum's guests. "I love it. The pictures are great. The artistry is great. It's very well done," said museum visitor Crystal Williams. "I think it's a great place you could bring children from [local] schools to see, to learn about black history and jazz. It's very educational," echoes Eva Williams.

The portraits will be on display at the museum through Saturday, Aug. 8, when their stay will be capped off by a performance from local artist Aretha Aretha.

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To learn more about the new exhibit or the Alexandria Black History Museum, check out [www.alexblackhistory.org](http://www.alexblackhistory.org) or visit the museum anytime from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday at 902 Wythe Street in Alexandria.

### To Go

"The Fine Art of Jazz," an exhibition highlighting the names and faces synonymous with the Kansas City tradition of American jazz, is at the Alexandria Black History Museum at 902 Wythe Street. The exhibition will run through Saturday, Aug. 8. The Alexandria Black History Museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and suggested admission is \$2. Go to [www.alexblackhistory.org](http://www.alexblackhistory.org).

# CALENDAR

E-mail announcements to the Gazette, [gazette@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:gazette@connectionnewspapers.com). Photos and artwork are encouraged. Deadline is Thursday at noon for the following week's paper. Call Steve Hibbard at 703-917-6407 with questions.

## ONGOING

**The Third Annual Alexandria Film Festival** is soliciting entries from U.S. and international filmmakers. The festival will be held Sept. 24-27 at the George Washington Memorial Masonic Temple. This year, the Film Festival is partnering with Withoutabox, the film industry's premier online service platform. To submit your film online, visit [www.withoutabox.com/login/7816](http://www.withoutabox.com/login/7816). All entries submitted through Withoutabox will receive an additional discount. For more information or to obtain entry forms and submission guidelines, visit [www.alexandriafilm.org](http://www.alexandriafilm.org). Call 703-838-6348.

## THURSDAY, JULY 2

**Pint-Sized Playacting (Recurring).** Ages 3-8. 4 p.m. Bring your child for a fun filled time of reading, performing, and making new friends! Register. \$3 per session. 703-548-4092. Hooray for Books! Children's Bookstore, 1555 King St., Alexandria. [www.hooray4books.com](http://www.hooray4books.com).

## FRIDAY, JULY 3

**Wee Ones Storytime (Recurring).** Ages 0-2. 10:30 am. Sing some silly songs and read some fun stories with us as we explore the exciting world around us! Free. 703-548-4092. Hooray for Books! Children's Bookstore, 1555 King St., Alexandria. [www.hooray4books.com](http://www.hooray4books.com).

**Lantern Tours. 7-10 p.m.** Tour Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 N. Royal St., by candlelight with a costumed guide to experience the historic tavern and hotel before the advent of electricity. Cost is \$5 per person, ages 5 and up. The museum may be closed on some occasions; call 703-838-4242 in advance.

**Blues Conditions.** 7:30-8:30 p.m. Performs as part of the Mt. Vernon Nights summer concert series at Grist Mill Park, 4710 Mt. Vernon Memorial Hwy., Alexandria. Call 703-324-SHOW (7469) after 6 p.m.

## SATURDAY, JULY 4

**Organ Fireworks Concert.** 10-10:45 a.m. Free. Organist-Choirmaster Douglas A. Beck. At St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 228 South Pitt Street, Alexandria. Call 703-549-3312.

**Handbell Choir Festival Concert.** 7 p.m. Douglas A. Beck, St. Paul's Organist-Choirmaster presents songs, audience participation and a dramatic reading of the Declaration of Independence. At St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 228 South Pitt Street, Alexandria. Call 703-549-3312.

**Hooray for the USA Storytime.** All ages. 11:30 am. Celebrate our nation's birthday with a very special patriotic storytime! Be sure to wear your red, white, and blue as we read stories about our history! Free. 703-548-4092. Hooray for Books! Children's Bookstore, 1555 King St., Alexandria. [www.hooray4books.com](http://www.hooray4books.com)

## SUNDAY, JULY 5

**1759 Conversations: Establishing Gunston Hall.** 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Learn about the early days of the historic plantation. Talk with a costumed interpreter about George Mason's new house and how it was built. Included in site admission: \$9, \$8 seniors, \$5 ages 6 to 18, younger free. Gunston Hall Plantation, 10709 Gunston Rd., Mason Neck. 703-550-9220 or <http://www.gunstonhall.org>.



## SATURDAY, JULY 11

**Annual Alexandria Birthday Celebration.** The City of Alexandria will celebrate its 260th and the U.S.A.'s 233rd birthday from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Oronoco Bay Park, 100 Madison St., located at the Potomac River between Fairfax, Pendleton, and Madison Streets. In the event of inclement weather, fireworks will be rescheduled for Sunday, July 12 at 9:30 p.m. Admission is free. Visit [www.alexandriava.gov/recreation](http://www.alexandriava.gov/recreation).

**Summer Chamber Music Series.** 3 p.m. Free. Pianist and composer Haskell Small. Washington Metropolitan Philharmonic Association. At The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St., Alexandria.

### Architecture in the Afternoon

**Tours.** 2 p.m. Discover the architecture of George Mason's home. This 90-minute tour explores the mansion's exterior and interior. Find out why Gunston Hall's carpenter-joiner William Buckland and master carver William Bernard Sears continue to be highly regarded. Regular admission. Friends free. Gunston Hall Plantation, 10709 Gunston Rd., Mason Neck. 703-550-9220 or <http://www.gunstonhall.org>.

**Alive With History.** 6-9 p.m. Free.

History comes to life at the Torpedo Factory as visitors are invited to explore the beginnings of the factory turned art center. At the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St., Alexandria. Visit [www.torpedofactory.org](http://www.torpedofactory.org); 703-838-4565.

**Art-Based Mentoring.** 5:30-8 p.m. The SOHO (Space of Her Own) program has scheduled an orientation for prospective adult female volunteers who are interested in providing mentoring to preteen girls on Thursday evenings throughout the school year. At Francis C. Hammond Middle School, 4646 Seminary Road, Alexandria.

**The Great Zucchini.** 11 a.m. A magic show with laughs. Recommended for ages 2 & up. At Barrett Library, 717 Queen St., Alexandria. Call 703-838-4555, ext. 3.

## TUESDAY, JULY 7

**Japanese Storytime (Recurring).** All ages. 10:30 am. Join the global party at Hooray for Books as we present a very special Japanese storytime! Free. 703-548-4092. Hooray for Books! Children's Bookstore, 1555 King St., Alexandria. [www.hooray4books.com](http://www.hooray4books.com).

**Pinhole Photography Workshop.** 4-5:30 p.m. Photographers age 10-15 can step inside a camera obscura to explore the simple science behind the art of photography. Visit [www.artatthecenter.org](http://www.artatthecenter.org) for details.

**Color Mixing as Science and Art.** 9:30-11:30 a.m. Children ages 4-10 are invited to explore the wonders of color mixing, creating a custom palette of tints, hues and shades. Visit [www.artatthecenter.org](http://www.artatthecenter.org) for details.

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 8

**"An's Insiders View of Today's USO" Luncheon.** 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Hosted by the Springfield/Alexandria Women's Connection. At the Springfield Golf & Country Club. The cost of \$17 includes the luncheon and free childcare. Reservations must be made by noon, Monday, June 6, to 703-569-4670 or 703-876-4780 or email to [SpringWmConn@yahoo.com](mailto:SpringWmConn@yahoo.com). Pamela Horton, an Airport Service Specialist of the USO at Reagan and Dullas Airport, will share heartwarming stories and experiences and talk about today's USO. Nancy O'Meara, will speak about rebuilding her life as a divorced woman and single mother.

**Beat the Heat Summer Studio.** 1:30-3:00 p.m. On Wednesday afternoons artists of all ages are invited to follow a weekly routine of working with a drawing material to begin, followed by an activity with paint or collage and ending with time to work with clay. Visit [www.artatthecenter.org](http://www.artatthecenter.org) for details.

## THURSDAY, JULY 9

## FRIDAY, JULY 10

**Don't Step on a Bee Day.** To raise awareness of the bee crisis in the U.S., Buzz Bakery Executive Chef Josh Short will offer his Bumble Bee cupcakes, a signature creation of vanilla cupcake filled with a chocolate center, iced with vanilla buttercream and topped with a bumblebee, for \$2.75 each. At 901 Slaters Lane in Alexandria. Visit at [www.buzzonslaters.com](http://www.buzzonslaters.com) or call 703-600-2899 (703-600-BUZZ).

**Russian Carnival Ensemble.** 7:30 p.m. Presented by the Washington Balalaika Society. New York City group will perform popular Russian, Jewish and Ukrainian tunes as well as classical music. At The Lyceum, 301 S. Washington Street, Alexandria. Tickets: \$20. (advance), \$25. (at Door) See: [www.balalaika.org](http://www.balalaika.org). Artist reception to follow. Call 703-549-0760.

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**Wee Ones Storytime (Recurring).** Ages 0-2. 10:30 am. Sing some silly songs and read some fun stories with us as we explore the exciting world around us! Free. 703-548-4092. Hooray for Books! Children's Bookstore, 1555 King St., Alexandria. [www.hooray4books.com](http://www.hooray4books.com).

**Something Fishy Storytime.** Ages 3 and up. 11:30 am. Bring your best fishy face and swim over to our storytime corner to get hooked on some of our favorite stories about our finny friends! Free. 703-548-4092. Hooray for Books! Children's Bookstore, 1555 King St., Alexandria. [www.hooray4books.com](http://www.hooray4books.com).

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## NEWS

# Fairfax Out of Road Money

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County government is using some of its own revenue for Telegraph Road improvements in anticipation of a change in traffic patterns when several new jobs move to the Fort Belvoir military base.

Under Virginia law, state transportation funding must be used for maintenance before capacity enhancements and new construction. So, a general lack of transportation funding coupled with the rising cost of Virginia's road maintenance has resulted in fewer dollars for new transportation projects.

Several sources of revenues specifically dedicated to transportation, including the sales tax and fees associated with car purchases, have also declined in the recent recession.

Nearly all elected officials have said that more transportation funding is needed, particularly in heavily congested areas like Northern Virginia and Hampton Roads. But state government offi-

cial, including the governor and Virginia General Assembly members, have been unable to reach a compromise on how to address the problem.

For the most part, Republicans in the General Assembly have been unwilling to raise taxes to assist with transportation needs. In general, Democrats have been unwilling to divert money from other state programs like education and public safety to solve transportation issues if taxes or fees are not increased to address the problem.

The closest the state government has come finding a transportation solution was in 2007, when a bill with new transportation funding mechanisms passed out of the Virginia General Assembly.

The bill passed the responsibility for raising revenue off to local governments, like the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, and regional bodies, like the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority.

But the Virginia Supreme Court declared the 2007 transportation bill unconstitutional, stating that regional entities made up of ap-

pointed members, like the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority, do not have the power to impose taxes on residents.

Since then, Republicans and Democrats in the state government have been in a deadlock, unable to find common ground over how to solve the transportation crisis. Without resolution, the revenue has dwindled.

In several ways, Fairfax County's hands are tied, even if the supervisors wanted to raise their own revenue for transportation.

The General Assembly has put several restrictions on types of taxes and revenues the Fairfax supervisors are able to implement. They are mostly limited to adjusting the local real estate tax rate.

Herrity has suggested Fairfax County use some of its bonding authority to find extra money for transportation projects. But using the county's bond capacity for transportation would mean there are fewer dollars for Fairfax's other priorities, including school building construction and renovation, said other supervisors.

## Garden Club Awards Grants

Budget crunches call for creative thinking and that's how three area groups found money to complete conservation and restoration projects.

They called upon an Alexandria-based garden club, The Hunting Creek Garden Club, to assist in funding vital programs, and the club responded by awarding grants totaling \$8,350 to the Alexandria City Public Schools, Green Spring Gardens and Fairfax County's Huntley Meadows Park.

Hunting Creek granted funds to Huntley Meadows Park to provide native plantings for an outdoor classroom project that encompasses a teaching gazebo in conjunction with a self-guided trail that will include stations featuring songbirds and pollinating insects, frog ponds, bird feeding, bird, bee and bat nesting boxes, and wild-life brush shelters.

Hunting Creek also will provide two eight-foot picnic tables to Alexandria City Public Schools for a children's garden at George Washington Middle School.

The third grant was awarded to Alexandria's Green Springs Gardens to assist in funding the continued addition of native plants along the banks of the Green Springs Gardens Pond and Stream Project.

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# Now in College, Players Return to Diamond

Post 24 is one of several area American legion teams using college freshmen.

BY MARK GIANNOTTO  
THE GAZETTE

It's a dilemma Jim Glassman weighs every spring when he's trying to put together his Post 24 American Legion team. What should he do with the returning college freshman that played for his team the year before and remain eligible to play again as 19-year-olds with late birthdays?

It's a delicate balance for the manager, now in his 31<sup>st</sup> year coaching "legion ball," since most post-high school players seeking a spot on his team haven't played organized baseball since the last time they suited up for Glassman the previous summer.

"It's a payoff," said Glassman. "If I bring these guys back, I look for some maturity and confidence with the young guys. For us it's good and bad because it hinders some of the young guys ... some young freshman or sophomore isn't gonna make the team then."

This year, Glassman's team fields two such players — infielder Manny Aponte and outfielder/pitcher Basil Badley. And each is savoring what will likely be their last experience playing organized baseball.

Both Badley and Aponte graduated from Mount Vernon High School in 2008, playing for the Majors baseball team throughout. Neither, though, decided to try and continue their careers at the college level.

"I just kind of sat around, I wasn't really involved with anything at college this year," said Aponte, who just finished his freshman year at Winthrop. "It kind of got boring, so I decided, 'Hey I'll come back and try to play some ball,' maybe play club baseball next year."

**BADLEY CAME BACK** to play with friends he had gotten to know since moving to the



Mount Vernon graduate Basil Badley returned to the Post 24 American Legion team this summer even after going to college at James Madison University.



Post 24 manager Jim Glassman "looks for maturity and confidence with the young guys" when he decides to let college-aged players like Manny Aponte come back to play American Legion baseball.

Mount Vernon area from Hawaii two years in high school. Though he is older than most of his teammates this summer, Badley had

played with many of them.

In fact, Glassman said Badley is the perfect example of what he's looking for when

he allows older players onto his team. The manager has noticed a more serious demeanor with Badley this season. Even after a year off from playing competitive baseball, Glassman thinks Badley has come back from his freshman year at James Madison University as a better pitcher than when he left.

"It's laid back and it kills time during the summer," said Badley of why he chose to play American Legion again. "I've been playing with some of these guys four years and sometimes people have known each other since Little League."

He's not alone, either. Last Saturday night as Post 24, which is made up of players from West Potomac, Mount Vernon, and Hayfield High Schools, took on Arlington's Post 139, there were seven players including Badley and Aponte that had returned from their freshman year of college to come back to the American Legion diamond.

Glassman thinks there's a void in the summer baseball landscape for players like Aponte and Badley. His idea is to have a league for 19-21 year-olds who aren't playing college baseball and therefore not talented enough to play in the local wooden bat leagues.

Because ultimately, the reason Aponte, Badley, and the rest of the college-aged players taking part in American Legion this summer come back is a love of the game, a game they just don't want to give up yet.

"They want to play good, decent baseball, and here in legion, we've got a good brand of baseball," said Glassman.

**POST 24** lost Saturday night to Post 139, 9-3, and followed it up with a 12-11 loss to Post 130 Sunday to drop to 3-6 this summer.

On Sunday, Post 24 trailed 12-1 before mounting a valiant comeback late. As has been the case all summer, in both games the team was done in by some careless, inopportune mistakes that resulted in runs for the opposing team.

Post 24 has now lost four games by one run this season. They play a doubleheader this Thursday and another game Friday before the American Legion All Star Game on July 4<sup>th</sup> at Waters Field in Vienna.

## MOUNT VERNON SPORTS BRIEFS

### New Golf Coach at WPHS

West Potomac announced the hiring of its new golf coach, Bob Wallace, last week.

Wallace was born in Baltimore and played his college golf at the University of Maryland-Baltimore County. He became a golf professional in 1997. Since then, he has played on professional mini-tours, competed in the 2002 PGA Tour Qualifying Tournament, and has become an accomplished competitive player in the Middle Atlantic Section of the PGA. He won the 2008 Assistant Professional Match Play Championship, placed second at the 2007 MAPGA Northern Chapter Championship, and T-9<sup>th</sup> at the 2006 Maryland State Open.

Over the past 10 years, he has worked with players of all skill levels; from the novice to the advanced player, several Club Champions, and the skillful tour player.

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The West Potomac golf season begins Aug. 3.

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Jefferson Community Center, 3501 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Arlington, following opening ceremonies at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 12. A health fair, sponsored by Virginia Hospital Center, will also be held on opening day from 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. and the Traveling Bicycle Museum, 9 a.m. – noon. Other events, beginning Monday, Sept. 14, will be held at various locations in the sponsoring jurisdictions. All events are open to the public at no charge.

Registration forms are available at senior centers and senior residences or by calling 703-228-3600, ext. 9996. Seniors can also download registration forms, rules and other details at [www.novaseniorolympics.com](http://www.novaseniorolympics.com). Registration deadline is Aug. 28, however, early registration is appreciated. Registration fee is \$10 which includes one event; additional events are \$1.

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## Status Report On New Hospital

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— being built by the Federal Highway Administration, including road connectors to and from Interstate 95, to facilitate traffic in and around the Fort Belvoir Base. Belvoir Deputy Garrison Commander for Transformation and BRAC Col. Mark Moffatt acknowledged that more effort was needed to improve Route 1 by the Virginia Department of Transportation.

## Seniors To Face New \$48 Fee

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Gerry Hyland said the fees will also help to prevent proposed reductions to FASTRAN service, shortened Senior Center hours, reduction of lunches, cuts in congregate meals, and to prevent several senior facility closures such as the Groveton Senior Center.

Hyland said that no one will be denied access to services due to an inability to pay. Prior to the adoption of the 2010 budget, there were no Fairfax County senior fees. There were only fees for crafts programs and other sponsored projects.

Not everyone is happy with the new user fees. Mt. Vernon resident Harold McLendon, a member of the Mt. Vernon Genealogy society, believes the new fee is "excessive," pointing to Arlington County's \$15 seniors registration fee as "more reasonable." McLendon voiced concern that few citizens

are even aware of the impending new fee and how it might impact individuals and organizations who regularly use the senior center facilities. He recently met with county staff who have been conducting an outreach effort to consult with seniors about the user fee program. He said the county is looking into a waiver of the organizational fee in exchange for in-kind services provided by organizations such as the Genealogy Society and other groups which conduct free public seminars of benefit to seniors. The genealogy group, for example, instructs attendees on how to perform internet research and how to use a digital camera to copy documents.

Hyland said the board has also ordered an evaluation of the county's various senior services with the express purpose "to provide for more cost efficient and sustainable services [for seniors] over the long term."

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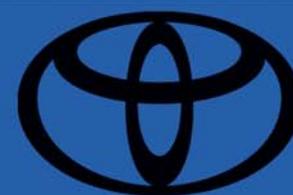
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