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## NEWS

# Presiding at O'Connell

Prebble previously served as president at Mount de Sales Academy in Georgia.

BY EMILY CANAL  
THE CONNECTION

For Kathleen Prebble, the new job at Bishop O'Connell High School is more than a leadership role. As president of the private, coed Catholic school, Prebble can stay connected to her faith and return to her roots in the D.C. area.

"I feel very fortunate to find a new home at O'Connell," said Prebble, 58. "[The school] has been a real presence in the community."

The position opened in December of 2009 when current President Barry Breen resigned to pursue another position in New Jersey.

Prebble will begin her role July 1, after an eight-year tenure as president of Mount de Sales Academy in Macon, Ga. Mount de Sales is also a coed Catholic school.

Bishop O'Connell has been open since 1957. It began as a co-institutional school, and according to Principal Joe Vorbach, that restricted boys to one side and girls to the other. The principals of the two schools were people of the church and of corresponding gender.

Vorbach said the school became coed in the early '70s and adopted the system of having one principal. About six years ago, the duties of a principal were divided. Presently, principals deal with internal issues and curriculum, while the president handles business models, facilities, outreach, admissions and works with the board of trustees.

"We are excited and she is a very talented and a capable educator," said Vorbach, who attended Bishop O'Connell from 1979 to 1983. "She has very valuable experience as a president of a school not dissimilar to this one."

**BISHOP O'CONNELL** is a school of approximately 1,277 students and 70 teachers. There has been one female principal of the school, but Prebble will be the first president.

Prebble said her goals are to plan with the building endowment to enable the school. She said she hopes to improve financial assistance and faculty salaries to make them more competitive.

"We need to be diligent about getting the message out about who we are so people want to trust that this is where they need to put their children," Prebble said. "I want to make sure we can provide the best education we can."

Prebble has spent the majority of her 36-year career working in Catholic institutions. Before Mount de Sales, Prebble worked at Connelly School of the Holy Child in Potomac for 20 years. She was hired as a science teacher and but held roles as the assistant head of school, head of middle school and dean of students.

Prebble said she was surprised but honored when she was approached to take on leadership roles in the school after serving as a science teacher.

"I loved working with the students," Prebble said. "But I could impact the lives folks lead in a different way," Prebble said.

Her first job out of college was teaching science and math at Our Lady of Lourdes in Bethesda. Prebble studied oceanography at Catholic University and earned her master's degree in education and administration from the University of Maryland.

Prebble said that her flare for teaching blossomed while she was in high school and working with kids during the summer.

"I am fortunate that I have always loved my work," Prebble said. "I feel good going to work in the morning and that is a gift I have been given."

Prebble said she attended a Catholic private school before college and didn't realize she would become a Catholic school-teacher until she began instructing at religious institutions.

"**WHAT ENCOURAGED** me in terms of embracing Catholic education was the impact it had on young people," Prebble said. "You get to be a part of young people developing their understanding of their place in the world."

Prebble said teaching under a Catholic umbrella is not restrictive and allows more freedom to engage students in conversations about their relationships to God.

"I felt the roots in the teaching," Prebble said. "I never felt like I was going to connect in another way."

Sister Bernadette McManigal, superintendent of the Catholic schools in Northern Virginia, said Bishop O'Connell has the subjects found in public schools, but requires students to take one religion class every semester. Events and service projects are also organized in conjunction with the values found in the religious program. Food drives, work with schools in Ghana and fundraising all take place throughout the year. "They are done as an outcome of what we believe in," McManigal said. "Those values are charity, justice and peace."

Bishop O'Connell does require students to purchase and wear uniforms. Vorbach said the uniforms consist of fall and spring attire for boys and girls. Males are instructed to wear polo's or oxford shirts with khakis. This includes a tie in the winter and a sweater vest. Females wear similar tops but



Kathleen Prebble

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## Wakefield's New Leader

**Willmore named  
high school principal.**

BY SENITRA MCCOMBS  
THE CONNECTION

**D**r. Christian Willmore knows that he has some big shoes to fill as the newly appointed principal of Wakefield High School.

"It's an incredible sense of honor and responsibility," he said.

However, he is ready for the challenge. Willmore plans to continue building on the success of Wakefield's programs such as the Foundation 2.0 initiative which targets 9th graders and the Stepping Up program focusing on 10th graders; he also plans to work on identifying Wakefield's weaknesses and developing strategies and programs to deal with them.



**Christian Willmore**

Although he is excited about his new job which starts July 1, he will miss working with the students on a daily basis.

"My first year here as assistant principal ...

there was this young man ... he was a very bright young man but not the hardest worker. By the time he made it to Wakefield, he started talking about quitting and becoming a mechanic or musician. I kept telling him to stick with it you'll make it. And now he is doing fantastic. He did an internship on Capital Hill ... and will graduate college in December," he said.

According to Willmore, "the diversity and cohesiveness of its student body," along with a "teaching staff that is really committed to supporting children" make Wakefield High School special.

Moreover, he is especially proud of Wakefield's AP Network program that helps attract more students to AP courses and gives them support throughout the course's duration.

He also cited the school's HILT Initiative — a program designed to figure out how to best meet the educational needs of English-learning students and their families.

Willmore came to the D.C. area looking for a job in government or at an international agency.

In the meantime, he took a teaching job at D.C. public schools.

"I got hired and absolutely loved teaching," he said.

In addition to his 13-year career as an educator and administrator at local elementary, middle and high schools, Willmore has

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**Columbia Grove Apartments.**

PHOTOS BY DELIA SAVA/THE CONNECTION

## Smart Growth for the Pike

**Residential,  
transportation  
changes highlighted.**

BY DELIA SAVA  
THE CONNECTION

**R**esidents along the Columbia Pike corridor are beginning to see the transformation created by years of planning and public-private partnerships. The Columbia Pike Revitalization Organization (CPRO) and the Arlington Partnership for Affordable Housing (APAH) recently hosted a walking tour led by Christopher Zimmerman, vice chairman of the Arlington County Board and a resident of the neighborhood.

"The Columbia Pike community is starting to see the fruits of a collaborative effort begun a dozen years ago by county government, neighborhood leaders, business owners and CPRO," said Zimmerman.

**"We are creating a more  
functional urban village."**

— **Takis Karantonis,  
Columbia Pike Revitalization  
Organization executive director**

First stop on the tour was the brand new "55 Hundred," a mid-rise apartment building which features granite counter tops, stainless steel appliances and tile flooring. Among the building's amenities are a rooftop swimming pool, a business center, a state-of-the-art fitness center and a clubroom with a full kitchen and separate



**Nina Janopaul, left, president/CEO of Arlington Partnership for Affordable Housing, and Takis Karantonis, Columbia Pike Revitalization Organization executive director, during the walking tour of revitalization efforts in the Columbia Pike corridor.**

dining area. Fairfield Residential, LLC, which manages the property, has 55 percent of the units presently leased. Of the retail space on the first level, a lease has been secured with a dentist.

Takis Karantonis, who was named CPRO executive director in March of this year, noted that the Pike has the best possible geographical location with respect to D.C. because it's a natural extension of the 14th Street Bridge. "This is one of the advantages we try to exploit for our residents here —

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## Million Dollar Support

**Foundation awards  
millionth dollar in  
scholarship funds.**

BY EMILY CANAL  
THE CONNECTION

**F**or the Wakefield High School class of 2010, this year's graduation and departure might be more sweet than bitter. The Wakefield High School Foundation awarded the millionth dollar in scholarship funds this year. A total of \$131,000 was given out to seniors pursuing higher education in the fall.

"They are an incredible group of young people," said Conchita Mitchell, president of the Education Foundation and 1966 graduate of Wakefield. "By the time they finish, they have learned to appreciate people from all over the world."

Mitchell said the Education Foundation is comprised of alumni who make donations throughout the year. The sum is distributed to students on

**"Most kids would not be  
able to go to college  
without it or they would  
go with debt."**

— **Conchita Mitchell, president of the  
Education Foundation**

a yearly basis.

"Any money that comes in will go out again that year," Mitchell said. "We don't want money sitting in a bank someplace."

The millionth dollar was awarded to Jennifer Pauldurai, who will be attending the University of Virginia. Mitchell said the sum landed on Pauldurai randomly.

"It feels really cool to think of how Wakefield contributed to scholars of today," said Pauldurai, 18, who plans to study neuroscience. "I feel like I am part of the tradition."

This is also the first year that the Education Foundation awarded scholarships specifically for students at

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# Prom Night

Washington-Lee High School held its Senior Prom at the Key Bridge Marriott on Friday, June 11.

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Washington-Lee Prom Queen Zeynap Solak and Prom King Nate Kresh.



Valerie Dugie and Monica Ahir



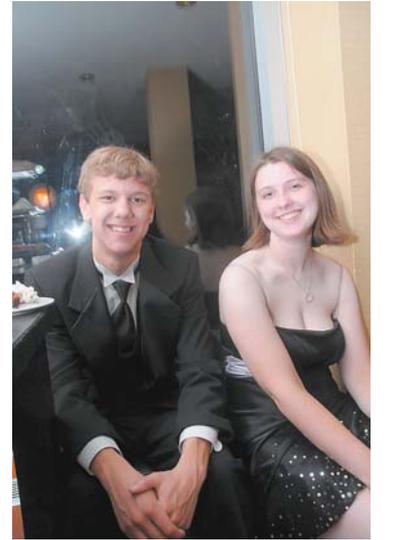
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Edgardo Torres and Carla Jimenez



Rebecca McElfish and Bennett Moore



Kristin Baasansukh and Rock Battle



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Host Jamie Smith interviews Norton A. Schwartz, Chief of Staff of the U.S. Air Force before the U.S. Air Force Cycling Classic begins in Crystal City, June 13.



## Cycling Classic

Participants wait at the start line before the Air Force Cycling Classic begins in Crystal City on Sunday, June 13.

**“This senseless death demonstrates the violence and fear that gangs can spread in the community.”**

— Neil MacBride, federal prosecutor

# Conspiracy for ‘Rent’ **Arlington MS13 gang member gets 20 years for extortion and murder.**

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE  
THE CONNECTION

**A**n Arlington member of the violent Salvadorian gang Mara Salvatrucha received 20 years earlier this month for a conspiracy to extort money from an inter-state prostitution ring.

Court papers show that Alcides Umana, 23, is an illegal immigrant from El Salvador who was a member of the street gang known as “MS-13.” In a series of federal cases in the Eastern District of Virginia, federal prosecutors laid out elements of the conspiracy in which the gang members were charging “rent” to a pimp to let him bring a prostitute from Maryland to Virginia.

“Rent is a term used to refer to extortion payments,” wrote Alexandria Detective Thomas Durkin in an affidavit for an arrest warrant in the case.

The plot unfolded on the quiet, leafy streets of an Alexandria neighborhood close to Beverley Hills, a community near the city’s border with Arlington County. On a hot Wednesday evening last June, a pimp named Claros Luna rolled his 2002 silver Honda Accord into Alexandria and parked along the southern edge of Manor Road.



**Alcides Umana**



**Eris Arguera**



**Adolfo Amaya Portillo**

ALEXANDRIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

The prostitute, who is referred to in court papers simply as “Y.D.,” got out of the car and walked up a hill and through a courtyard. There, in the narrow lobby of building 704, she realized her call that evening would not be business as usual.

The Alexandria member of MS-13 pointed a small dark-colored handgun at her and directed her back to the pimp’s parked car. He marched the prostitute back to the Accord and entered the driver’s side rear door. Meanwhile, 29-year-old gang member Adolfo Amaya Portillo entered the front passenger door and pointed a gun at the pimp. Alcides Umana, a 23-year-old mem-

ber of MS-13, slid into the passenger’s rear door with a knife.

The attempted extortion didn’t go off as planned.

Luna tried to grab Portillo’s handgun, and Umana put his knife to the pimp’s throat. Then Portillo and Arguera shot Luna three times. The three gang members from Northern Virginia took all the pimp’s profits and his cell phone before running in the streets near the Beverley Hills neighborhood.

“To be honest, it freaked me out,” said Willow Anderson, who has lived at Lloyd Apartments for seven years. “It was shocking because nothing like this ever happens

here.”

A team of local and federal law-enforcement agencies worked on the case together. The list includes Alexandria Police Department, the Arlington Police Department, the Fairfax County Police Department, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the United States Attorneys Office for the Eastern District of Virginia.

“The violence that criminal gangs threatened will not be tolerated,” said Shawn Henry, assistant director in charge of the FBI Washington Field Office, in a written statement. “Gangs attempting to instill fear will be dismantled, and they will not terrorize our communities.”

Portillo is scheduled for a sentencing hearing later this month, and Arguera is on the docket for late July. In a written statement released last week, federal and local officials hailed the investigation and prosecution of the three gang members as a triumph of justice.

“Due to the brazen and violent nature of the crime committed in this case, the defendant poses a serious risk of harm to the public,” wrote United States Attorney Neil MacBride in his request for a 30-year sentence.

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To celebrate, we plan to publish the Pet Connection, including your family's pets, in late July.

We invite photos of your pets with you, your children or with the whole family. We'll prefer photos that picture the pets with their humans or children's artwork of their pets.

We also welcome short stories (200 words or less) about your pet. Tell us a funny story, or explain how your pet helped you or a member of your family through a tough time. Tell us about how you came to adopt or rescue your pet. Tell us about your favorite places to go with your pet, or how you solved a particular challenge concerning your pet.

We haven't forgotten horses, fish, birds, reptiles and amphibians, guinea pigs, hamsters, and other more unusual pets — we hope for photos about them all.

Be sure to identify the full names of everyone pictured in any photos, include information such as breed and age of the pet and children pictured, and (very important) the community where you live.

We prefer digital submissions, delivered on CD or via email. Please send in submissions as soon as possible, but at least before July 10. E-mail to [mclean@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:mclean@connectionnewspapers.com), and write "Pets" in the subject line. You can mail submissions to Arlington Pet Connection, 1606 King St., Alexandria, VA 22314.

Please be sure to include the name of the artist or author, and name of the hometown, along with address and phone number to be used for verification purposes only.

### EDITORIALS

## Expertise for Annual Community Guides

What tips do you have for someone new to the area? What interesting, almost secret, places would you like to have learned about earlier when you moved in?

We invite you to share the expertise you've gained in living in your hometown with your neighbors and with people new to the area in our Newcomers and Community Guides, com-

ing later this summer.

Connection staff members and interns are already working on the annual Newcomers and Community Guide, which will publish at the end of August.

We invite residents, businesses and organizations to send us suggestions. We invite calendar listings for major events for the upcoming year, information on how to get involved in nonprofits and charities, details about your club or other organization.

When are the major festivals, celebrations and other events at your church or temple or mosque?

We also invite readers to contribute directly to the newcomers and community guides. Send us a short letter: what do you love about your community? Tell us about one special place you've discovered. Does your family have different favorites in different seasons? How did you get involved in your town? Share your favorite park. Tell us about your favorite annual event.

Helping pets adapt to new surroundings can be a big part of any family's move. Share tips you have for acclimating a pet to a new home. Do you have a favorite dog park?

Send your comments and submissions to [arlington@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:arlington@connectionnewspapers.com) or mail to Arlington Newcomers Guide, 1606 King St., Alexandria, VA 22314.

— MARY KIMM.

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## Sunset Parade

Spectators gather around the Marine Corps War Memorial to watch the U.S. Marine Corps sunset parade on Tuesday, June 8.

### LETTER

## More Partners for Library Program

To the Editor:

Thank you for printing the photo of me working at the Arlington Central Library garden in the May 19-25 Arlington Connection paper. I don't know if you print correc-

tions, but I think it should be noted that there are many more groups besides the Arlington Food Assistance Center (AFAC) who are partners with the library's "Arlington Reads" program in this effort.

They are: USDA Peoples' Garden Initiative, Potomac Overlook Regional Park, and Girl Scout Troop 1431.

The proceeds of this garden will be coming to the Arlington Food

Assistance Center.

**Puwen Lee**

Volunteer Coordinator

Plot Against Hunger Coordinator  
Arlington Food Assistance Center

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## COMMENTARY

# Hernias: State-of-the-Art Repair for Very Common Problem

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**H**ernias are very common. It is estimated that 5 million Americans have hernias. A hernia is a hole or weakness in the muscle lining of the belly that allows part of your abdominal contents,

generally internal fat or a section of your intestine, to bulge out. This occurs most commonly in the groin or at the belly button, but can also occur at the site of scars from previous surgeries and in almost any other area. The typical complaint you would have is either a visible bulge or lump in those areas, or pain and discomfort.

Not all hernias are noticeable. A hiatal hernia forms when part of the stomach

slides into the chest through the normal opening created by the esophagus. This hernia does not cause a visible bulge, but usually presents with acid reflux or chest pain.

Hernias do not resolve on their own. They do not get better or go away with specific exercises or physical therapy. In fact, hernias often tend to get larger or cause more symptoms over time. In addition, the feared problem with hernias is that they can lead to incarceration or strangulation; this is

when bowel gets trapped inside the hernia and cannot go back in, leading to severe pain, significant swelling, and/or bowel blockage. Although this is a rare occurrence, it is an emergency when it happens as the trapped bowel can die if not promptly treated, often with urgent surgery.

What should you do if you think you have a hernia? Check with your primary care doctor or see a hernia surgeon. If they di

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# Foundation Awards Millionth Dollar

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tending Northern Virginia Community College.

John Clisham, the college and career counselor at Wakefield, said that the Education Foundation was able to reach more students this year because of better fundraising and generous donations.

"It wasn't just the top 15 kids who are stars, it's a whole group of kids winning," Clisham said. "One student who won was ranked in the 20s."

Jas Sanchez, 19, won a \$3,000 scholarship and will attend Northern Virginia Community College for the Pathways program. He said the program helps students adjust to college and provides counseling.

"I was really happy and relieved that I had help financially," Sanchez said. "I think it's great that they help students with college and the next years."

**THE EDUCATION FOUNDATION** was established in 1986 by the class of 1956, who wanted to commemorate the life of deceased classmate Albert Tate. Peter Arntson, a member of that graduating class and founder of the foundation, said Tate was a friend and classmate of his.

"I thought it would be nice to do something to commemorate Albert," said Arntson, 72, a regular trustee and president emeritus of the foundation. "He was an ex-

remely nice person and good student."

Arntson said he and Tate graduated Wakefield in 1956. Tate attended Harvard and Arntson studied at the University of Virginia. Both met again at the University of Virginia School of Law. Arntson said Tate was lakeside with his children in Atlanta, Ga. when he was struck by lightning and killed in 1983.

"I am proud of what we have done," Arntson said. "We are interested in helping students who are going to make it in college."

In the first year of operation, the foundation collected \$4,500 that was given as one scholarship. Arntson said the following year, two \$4,000 awards were distributed. In the third year, three scholarships were given and that amount held steady for 12 years. The number of awards climbed to five, eight, and this year marked a new high of 24 scholarships.

Mitchell said contributions range from \$10 to \$15,000 donations and the Education Foundation has given over 200 scholarships throughout its history.

"Over the history of the foundation, thousands of people have given a little bit of money," Mitchell said. "Most kids would not be able to go to college without it or they would go with debt."

Students apply for the scholarships and are awarded by a blind process. Mitchell

said seniors complete a simple application, answer questions about their activities and explain why they want to go to college.

Mitchell said Wakefield is unlike other schools because of its multicultural environment. "They are not cookie-cutter kids and staff members," Mitchell said. "They bring together so much different energy and it goes into a wonderful place."

Clisham said he was unsure of Wakefield's reputation in the community as an institution that supplies scholarships, but said statistics reflect well on the success of the students. "Our numbers suggest that we are doing something right," Clisham said. "A large number of our kids go to two or four year colleges."

According to Wakefield High School's 2009-2010 profile, the institution has approximately 1,400 students and 150 staff members. The 2009-2010 ethnic group distribution showed there were 644 Hispanic, 374 Black, 198 White, and 144 Asian students. Elizabeth O'Neil, who won a scholarship for \$8,000, said she chose to attend Wakefield because it had better Spanish and AP programs. "Overall the school is much stronger than the other ones that I had the choice to go to," said O'Neil, 18, who plans to attend the New England Conservatory for Music in the fall. "The school is more about how we can help each other and has a lot of spirit."

## Willmore

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also taught internationally at the Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey in Guadalajara, Mexico.

He believes that the experience of living and teaching outside the States allows him to better empathize with the large number of Wakefield students from immigrant families.

"It can be a really hard transition coming to a new country. I understand when they talk about experiencing a culture shock. Not only do I speak the language, but I understand and appreciate the culture. It makes for a nice connection for the students and their families," he said.

Recently, Willmore received a doctorate in administration and supervision at the University of Virginia. He has a master of arts in teaching from Tulane University and a bachelor's degree in international studies and Spanish from Miami University.

When he is not helping out at some school function, he enjoys spending time with his family, cooking and reading.

One of his favorite books and movies is Harper Lee's "To Kill A Mockingbird."



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**Brain fitness** exercises, Monday, June 28, 10 a.m., Walter Reed. Details, 703-228-0955.

**Pickleball**, Monday, June 28-Fri., July 2, 7:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Thomas Jefferson; 1 p.m. - 3 p.m., Walter Reed. Free with 55+ Pass. Details, 703-228-4771

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**Low impact aerobics** classes with dance and strength training, Tuesday, June 29, 9:30 a.m., Aurora Hills. Cost \$56/16 sessions. Register, 703-228-5722.

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**Free legal counsel**, Tuesday, June 29, 10 a.m. - noon, Walter Reed; Wednesday, June 30, 12 p.m. - 2 p.m., Culpepper Garden. Call to schedule appointment, 703-228-0955 (WR), 703-228-4403 (CG).

**Living and laughing with hearing loss**, Wednesday, June 30, 1 p.m., Aurora Hills. Free. Details, 703-228-5722.

**Fourth of July** celebration, old-fashioned picnic, Thursday, July 1, 12 p.m., Culpepper Garden. \$6; register by June 28, 703-228-4403.

**Local historian** Les Albers to present program on the First Day of the Battle at Gettysburg, Friday, July 2, 12 p.m., Aurora Hills. Cost \$6 (includes lunch). Register by June 30, 12 p.m., 703-228-5722.



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## On Stage

The cast members Asam Ludwig, James Gardiner, Erin Driscoll and Jenna Sokolowski are in "[title of show]" now playing through June 27 at Signature Theater.

# State-of-the-Art

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agnose with a hernia, it is usually best to have it repaired with an elective surgery. Wearing a truss to hold the hernia in is not advised and may actually be dangerous for certain types of hernias.

Unfortunately, only one out of seven patients has their hernia surgically repaired each year. People avoid treating their hernias because they fear painful surgery. Today, this is not necessarily the case. Unlike the old days when hernias were fixed by pulling the tissues together with stitches under tension, hernia surgery today is done as a tension-free repair, mostly with the use of mesh or screen to reinforce the weak area or to close the hole where the hernia is located. Modern hernia surgery is usually performed on an outpatient basis and patients can resume normal activity quickly within a few days.

Surgical repair of the hernia is done either through an incision over the hernia (open surgery) or using laparoscopic or "key-hole" surgery. Laparoscopic surgery consists of repairing the hernia by making three very small incisions through which a camera and instruments are inserted. Laparoscopic repair is superior to open surgery for certain hernias as it avoids a large incision and allows for less pain and faster recovery. Consult with a hernia surgery specialist about what options are best suited for you. To learn more about the Hernia Program at Virginia Hospital Center please call 703-717-HERNIA (4376).

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For more information contact Kathleen Gibbons,  
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703-941-2875, [www.KathleenGibbons.com](http://www.KathleenGibbons.com).  
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For more information please contact Elizabeth Bouchard,  
Long & Foster Real Estate,  
703-229-5030, [www.ElizabethBouchard.com](http://www.ElizabethBouchard.com).  
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### Gorgeous Craftsman Style Colonial in Lyon Village

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For more information contact Matt Shepard,  
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703-867-5442, [matshep@aol.com](mailto:matshep@aol.com).  
This house is priced at \$1,795,000.



## Profile in Real Estate – Kristen Usaitis

Kristin Usaitis focuses on providing exceptional service to her clients. Her people-oriented approach routinely culminates in successful home purchases and sales for the families who turn to her for assistance. An accomplished problem-solver who thrives in today's challenging market, Kristin has been the #1 Top Producing Agent in the Arlington South Office of Long & Foster for the last 3 years. Kristin works with buyers, sellers and investors in all price ranges. Her ability to accurately match properties to her clients' needs virtually eliminates the stress associated with buying or selling a home.

Kristin is licensed in Virginia and Washington DC and thoroughly understands the Metropolitan Washington, DC real estate market. She possesses a particularly in-depth knowledge about the neighborhoods of Arlington, the City she calls home. As noted by a client, "Kristin is probably the hardest working agent in the DC Area." She spares no effort to ensure her clients receive the finest service and she is an Accredited Buyer's Representative and a Graduate of the Realtor Institute. Kristin grew up in Upstate New York and received her BA from the State University of New York at Oswego. Please visit her website at <http://www.KristinUsaitis.com> or ring her cell at 703.863.0367. She would be happy to sit down and discuss your home buying or selling needs.



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# Smart Growth for the Pike

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having said that, the Pike has always been considered a thoroughfare street where you don't stop and we want this to change: we want people to live on the Pike, shop on the Pike, and have entertainment on the Pike and in their neighborhood," he said, adding, "We are creating a more functional urban village."

**AROUND THE CORNER** from the 55 Hundred building, at 1010 S. Frederick Street, is the newly remodeled Columbia Grove Apartments, an affordable housing complex. The building is owned and managed by APAH, and is the first multi-family renovation in Northern Virginia to receive EarthCraft certification. Kerry Lutz, a resident services coordinator for APAH, will provide classes and other services in the building's Community Center.

Nina Janopaul, president/CEO of APAH, said, "Our community support programs offered to South Arlingtonians allow for the county's low- and moderate-income residents to live closer to where they work. Offering bilingual staff resources, literacy courses, activities for children and other services involves residents in their communities rather than forcing them to the more affordable outer suburbs which puts a strain on transit, families and the environment."

Janopaul took the opportunity to announce that APAH has received approval of an allocation of Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC) by the Virginia Housing Development Authority (VHDA) to fund the renovation of Buchanan Garden Apartments on S. Buchanan Street, just one-half block from the Pike. The building was purchased in December of 2009 with a loan from Arlington County — the LIHTC award provides \$10 million in private investment for the \$30 million project.

"WE WELCOME APAH's skill and passion in helping to realize the county's vision for preserving diversity and affordable housing in the Columbia Pike corridor," Zimmerman said.

The county's Affordable Housing Investment Fund (AHIF) is providing \$11.4 million for the Buchanan Gardens project.

The revitalization of the area is the result of the "Columbia Pike Initiative," which was adopted in 2002 with goals to "build a safer, cleaner, more competitive and vibrant Columbia Pike community."



PHOTO BY DELIA SAVA

**The sidewalk in front of 55 Hundred.**

Karantonis explained that the next step will be the "infrastructure that will be created over the next 2 to 3 years." In addition to moving the utilities underground, the Pike will be prepared for streetcar lines that will run on the sides and will have Superstops. "They're called Superstops be-

cause they'll look better, they'll have glass canopies and have amenities like giving you real time information."

According to Karantonis, the Pike has the densest ridership of commuters all over the metropolitan area: 15,000 daily. The transition from buses to streetcars is necessary because "the road can't handle an open-ended capacity of transportation and the basic difference between the buses and the streetcars, is that for the same amount of moving vehicles, we can double the capacity of riders."

Once that work is completed, the streetscape will also be upgraded. "We will get better sidewalks with sitting opportunities, better lighting, a more secure and safe and nice space for everybody," said Karantonis.

The new sidewalk in front of the 55 Hundred building is an example of the future streetscape, said Zimmerman. "After years of planning and preparation, we are beginning to realize the vision of a re-born Main Street: pedestrian-friendly, neighborhood-serving, environmentally sustainable, diverse and appealing to new business.

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## Free Live Music in Rosslyn

The Rosslyn Business Improvement District (BID) will be filled with music this summer. The weekly line-up will include three outdoor lunchtime concerts, three restaurant performances and a happy hour live-music dance party through the end of July. Tuesday and Wednesday Lunchtime concerts will continue through the last week in August, and Thursday concerts will last through Oct. 21. The live music performances are part of the Rosslyn BID's summer program offering more than 100 free events. The live music events include:

❖ **PARTY AT THE PLAZA**, Wednesdays in June and July Party at the Plaza returns to Rosslyn for the second year featuring live music and dancing on Wednesdays from 5:30-8 p.m., from now through July 28 on the outdoor plaza at Rosslyn Plaza, 1611 North Kent Street. In June the area's hottest salsa bands will heat up the plaza and in July, swing takes over the outdoor dance floor. The evening starts with a half hour dance lesson. The Latin music nights will feature the region's leading Salseras, Jeri Dembrak and Eileen Torres. Australian dance champion Michael Rye will teach swing in July. The event is held on a covered plaza located at the corner of Wilson Blvd. and N. Kent Street, just two blocks from Rosslyn Metro. It is accessible by taking the stairs at Wilson Blvd. or by taking the building elevator to the lobby level. Vornado/Charles E. Smith is an event sponsor.

### PARTY AT THE PLAZA PERFORMERS:

- ❖ June 16 — Sin Miedo
- ❖ June 23 — Rumba Club
- ❖ June 30 — Orquesta la Romana

❖ **LUNCHTIME CONCERTS**, The Rosslyn BID adds outdoor lunchtime concerts on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, from 11:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. along N. Lynn Street in the heart of Rosslyn.

❖ On Tuesdays in June, July and August, concerts will be held at Crandal Mackey Park at the corner of 19th Street North and Lynn Street. Area workers and residents can enjoy nice weather and music ranging from blues and pop to rock and jazz.

❖ On Wednesdays from 11:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. through Sept. 1, an eclectic array of bands will perform in the colorful new 'CentralSpace to CentralPlace' urban plaza at the corner of Wilson Boulevard and North Lynn Street.

❖ On Thursdays, the Farmers Market Lunchtime concerts will continue at Wilson Blvd and North Oak Street from 11:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. through Oct. 21. In the event of rain, outdoor lunchtime concerts will be cancelled.

### CRANDAL MACKEY TUESDAY CONCERTS:

- ❖ June 22 — Annie Sidley & Mojo Nation
- ❖ June 29 — Cletus & Lori
- ❖ July 6 — Rick Franklin & Friends

### CENTRALSPACE TO CENTRALPLACE WEDNESDAY CONCERTS:

- ❖ June 16 — The Congress Band
- ❖ June 23 — Night Life Band
- ❖ June 30 — The Jolly Twins featuring Micah Robinson

❖ **RESTAURANTS AND RHYTHMS**, Sundays, Tuesdays, & Fridays through July, Restaurants and Rhythms offers three weekly performances inside three Rosslyn restaurants through the end of July. On Sundays at PIOLA, Origem puts jazz on the menu; the Hyatt Arlington serves up the Blues on Tuesdays with the Mary Ann Redmond Duo; and the Key Bridge Marriott's Connexion Lounge offers Brazilian Jazz on Fridays with Project Natale.

- ❖ Sundays 7 – 8:30 p.m. Piola, 1550 Wilson Blvd. Origem Brazilian Jazz
- ❖ Tuesdays 5 – 6:30 p.m. Hyatt Arlington, 1325 Wilson Blvd. Mary Ann Redmond Duo Kick Butt Blues
- ❖ Fridays 5 – 6:30 p.m. Key Bridge Marriott Connexion Lounge, 1401 Lee Highway Project Natale Straight Ahead and Latin Jazz

## Rosslyn BID Launches Rosslyn Blog

Rosslyn Business Improvement District (BID) announces the launch of the Rosslyn Blog, [www.rosslynblog.org](http://www.rosslynblog.org). The Rosslyn Blog will be the interactive voice of the people who live, work and play in Rosslyn.

The Rosslyn Blog will serve as a news hub for events and activities managed by the Rosslyn BID, as well as a source for programs and initiatives in the community developed by the local residents, businesses and governments. The Rosslyn Blog is accessible at [www.rosslynblog.org](http://www.rosslynblog.org).

## The Jazz Jam

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## Lunchtime Music at CentralPlace

**Already a favorite lunchtime spot**, the Rosslyn BID is adding lunchtime music to CentralPlace, the temporary public plaza located on the corner of N. Moore Street and Wilson Boulevard. Bands will perform on Wednesdays through Sept. 1 from 11:45 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Enjoy the summer season outdoors in this bright, fun, and colorful space!

## Live Music at Rosslyn Lunchtime Concerts

Adjacent to the market, shoppers can enjoy a variety of live music during Rosslyn Lunchtime Concerts held from 11:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. This year the music expands with four extra concerts to last through the end of the market season. The lineup includes R&B, Pop, Folk, Jazz musicians and more.

### 2010 Lunchtime Concerts Schedule

- ❖ June 17 — The Grandsons, *Roots Rock & Roll*
- ❖ June 24 — Mystic Warriors, *Ethereal Andean Music*
- ❖ July 1 — Vaughn Nark & Panorama, *Contemporary Jazz*
- ❖ July 8 — Memphis Gold, *Memphis-Style Blues*

## 2010 Rosslyn Outdoor Film Festival

The 2010 Rosslyn Outdoor Film Festival rewinds to relive the 1990s this spring and summer with 19 movies that celebrate the decade. The "I Love the 90s". The event is free and open to the public. Begins at dusk.

The festival returns to Gateway Park at 1300 Lee Highway at the foot of Key Bridge every Friday night at dusk now through Sept. 3.

- ❖ June 18 — "Mrs. Doubtfire" (1993)
- ❖ June 27 — "Bio-Dome" (1996)
- ❖ July 2 — "Don't Tell Mom the Babysitter's Dead" (1991)
- ❖ July 9 — "Home Alone" (1990)

The movies will be shown rain or shine. In case of severe weather, including heavy rains and strong winds, movies will be cancelled.

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## THEATER

# 'Million Dollar Quartet' Wins a Tony

BY DAVID SIEGEL  
THE CONNECTION

The enormous creative talents of Eric Schaeffer, artistic director and co-founder of Arlington's Signature Theatre, continue to draw the national spotlight. Last year Signature Theatre picked up the prestigious 2009 Regional Theatre Tony Award while this year Schaeffer's staging of "Million Dollar Quartet" on Broadway received three Tony nominations including that for Best Musical. The production came away with an award for Levi Kreis's raucous piano-slamming, behind-the-back fingers with brains playing portrayal of one of the rebellious founders of early rock-and-roll, Jerry Lee Lewis.

Playing through a song list such as "Great Balls of Fire," "Whole Lotta' Shaking Goin' On," and "Blue Suede Shoes," to name just a few of the over 20 anthems to 1950's teen age rebellion, Schaeffer directed a pulsating one-act, no intermission 90 minutes of un-faked musical talent.

"Million Dollar Quartet" is a real unique show, first and foremost they are a band," said Schaeffer. "They all play together every night to make the music and they feed off each other's energy. This makes the show so special and energized."

The Connection's Brad Hathaway in his April review of "Million Dollar Quartet" called the show "thrill packed," noting the audience gave "prolonged ap-

plause after numerous rocking numbers." More than just a showcase for the musical talents, the production had "a story – giving a hint of tension and suspense," said Hathaway. It was for this story that the production also received a Tony nomination for Best Book for a Musical.

"Million Dollar Quartet" is based upon a now legendary and impromptu December 1956 night when the early bad boys of rock and roll including Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Carl Perkins and the "killer" Jerry Lee Lewis found themselves together in the Sun Recording studio in Memphis brought together by Sam Phillips. Phillips was about breaking barriers and he had the fuel and the fuse with the four.

**THE TONY AWARD** for Featured Actor in a Musical went to Kreis for his portrayal of Lewis, the man who kicked away piano benches and played piano behind his back to bring alive music that most of America had never seen or heard before. Under Schaeffer's direction Kreis was Lewis with total control and yet real-life reckless abandon. He was a man who swatted away the staid, stale style of soft crooners and melodic boy and girl groups bringing unheard power and pop to the 45 RPM record and its three minutes of playing time.

Schaeffer guided and shaped the production beyond a simple juke-box tribute to be a swirling spir-



Robert Britton Lyons as Carl Perkins, Tony Award winner Levi Kreis as Jerry Lee Lewis, Eddie Clendening as Elvis Presley and Lance Guest as Johnny Cash in the musical "Million Dollar Quartet" on Broadway.

ited adventure of a show. His cast and creative team brought out the high fidelity wails and snarls that set rock music on its path over 50 years ago. "I never thought I'd be back at the Tony's, let alone having a show up for Best Musical. It was a great night ... this is the little show that could. It's been an amazing journey," said Schaeffer.

As the Tony Awards opening act on Sunday night, audiences saw first-hand Kreis's brilliance as he played a tag team "Blue Suede Shoes" with Sean Hayes hopping around the piano strutting his

stuff. In his Tony Award acceptance speech he thanked the "team working together as a whole and in harmony."

"Million Dollar Quartet" continues at the Nederlander Theatre in New York City as well as at its original location the Apollo Theater in Chicago. "Million Dollar Quartet" is slated for a national tour beginning in 2011 with an expected stop — Cleveland, the home of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. While national bookings are not available at this time, certainly the D.C. area, with its vast musi-

cal theater audiences and its full-throated music club scene, could be considered a profitable venue for this celebration of the raucous in the journey of such a purely American music style. At least we can hope.

As for Jerry Lee Lewis, he is the last man standing of the four who came together on a December 1956 night to change forever popular music. The 64th Annual Tony's were held on Sunday night, June 13, at Radio City Music Hall in New York City and broadcast live on CBS-TV.

## THEATER LISTINGS

### NOW THROUGH JUNE 27

**[title of show].** Presented by Signature's ARK Theater. Special "Pay Your Age" performance is Saturday, June 19 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$52 to \$76 and are available by calling Ticketmaster at 703-573-SEAT or visiting [www.signature-theatre.org](http://www.signature-theatre.org). Show times are Tuesday and Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., Thursday and Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m., and Sunday at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. At 4200 Campbell Avenue (22206) off I-395 at the Shirlington exit.

### AUG. 10 – SEPT. 26

**"Chess."** Tickets are \$55 to \$81. Washington's First Major Production of the 1984 Rock Musical by the Composers of "Mamma Mia!" Broadway's Jill Paice (Curtains, The 39 Steps), Euan Morton (Boy George in Taboo, Sondheim on Sondheim), and Jeremy Kushnier (Footloose, Rent) star in the rock musical Chess, to be directed by Signature's Artistic Director Eric Schaeffer. Written by Mamma Mia! composers Björn Ulvaeus and Benny Andersson with Evita and Lion King lyricist Tim Rice, the 1984 cult musical of Cold War competition in love and chess is

being given its first major Washington area production. Chess features the hit single "One Night in Bangkok," and unforgettable songs as such "Anthem," "I Know Him So Well," "Nobody's Side," and "Pity the Child." At the Signature Theater in Arlington.

### JULY 6-24

**"Sizzlin' Summer" Cabaret.** Tickets: \$20. Signature offers three weeks of live music and performances ranging from cabaret and show tunes to jazz, blues, and rock. Tickets to Signature are available by calling Ticketmaster at 703-573-SEAT (7328) or visiting [www.signature-theatre.org](http://www.signature-theatre.org). At 4200 Campbell Avenue (22206) off I-395 at the Shirlington exit.

- ❖ July 6, 8 p.m.: Nynth Avenue Drifters
- ❖ July 7, 8 p.m.: NYC Singer-Songwriter Circle
- ❖ July 8, 8 p.m.: Next Generation Honorees Showcase
- Chris Miller & Scott Davenport Richards
- ❖ July 9, 8 p.m.: 21/24: Tamar & The River
- ❖ July 10, 8 p.m.: 21/24: Tamar & The River
- ❖ July 13, 8 p.m.: Danica Dora
- ❖ July 14, 8 p.m.: Bligh Voth & Weslie Woodley
- ❖ July 15, 8 p.m.: Tracy Lynn Olivera

- ❖ July 16, 7:30 p.m.: Ain't Got No: A Rock/Pop Cabaret
- ❖ July 16, 9:30 p.m.: Will Gartshore
- ❖ July 20, 8 p.m.: Stephen Gregory Smith & Karissa Swanigan
- ❖ July 21, 8 p.m.: Sandy Bainum Sings Dorothy Parker
- ❖ July 22, 8 p.m.: Natascia Diaz with Michael Pemberton
- ❖ July 23, 7:30 p.m.: Marcy Heisler & Zina Goldrich
- ❖ July 23, 9:30 p.m.: Bob McDonald
- ❖ July 24, 7:30 p.m.: Colleen McHugh: The Songs of Judy Garland
- ❖ July 24, 9:30 p.m.: Natascia Diaz

### JUNE 24-26

**"Signature Songs" Performances.** Tickets: \$33. The final chapter in Signature's 20th Anniversary series ends with a bash in The MAX Theatre featuring songs from the last five years at Signature. Eleasha Gamble, Will Gartshore, Tracy Lynn Olivera, and Bligh Voth will perform from Signature productions including "Pacific Overtures," "Urinetown," "Nevermore," "My Fair Lady," "Saving Aimee," "The Witches of Eastwick," "Merrily We Roll Along," "Glory Days," "Kiss of the Spider Woman," "The Happy Time," "The Visit," "Ace," "Les Misérables," and "Giant." At 4200 Campbell Avenue (22206) off I-395 at the Shirlington



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**Broadway's Euan Morton, Jill Paice, and Jeremy Kushnier to star in Signature Theatre's production of "Chess," Aug. 10 – Sept. 26.**

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# CALENDAR

## THURSDAY/JUNE 17

**"Troubled Water" (2008).** 6:30 p.m. The Cross Cultural Cinema series presents the Norwegian film directed by Erik Pope. Jan, recently released from prison after serving time for the murder of a child, has always maintained his innocence. His past eventually catches up to him when he is spotted by the mother of his alleged victim. At the Arlington Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St., Arlington.

## FRIDAY/JUNE 18

**Summer Concert Series.** 8 p.m. Free. The U.S. Air Force Concert Band and the Los Angeles Police Department Band. At the Air Force Memorial, 1 Air Force Memorial Drive, Arlington. Call 202-767-5658 or visit the homepage: [www.usafband.af.mil](http://www.usafband.af.mil).

## JUNE 18-AUG. 21

**Art Scouts Exhibit.** Opening reception is Friday, June 18 from 6-9 p.m. Six accomplished artists with strong presences in the D.C. metro region

explain how and why they make their art — by presenting other artists who use the same materials or methods. These artists all work in different disciplines: Zoe Charlton (drawing), Mary Early (sculpture), J.J. McCracken (performance and installation), Maggie Michael (painting), Jefferson Pinder (video), and Kerry Skarbakka (photography). Sponsored by the Arlington Arts Center, 3550 Wilson Blvd., Arlington. Call 703-243-6800.

## SATURDAY/JUNE 19

**Breakfast Reach Out Meeting.** 9:15 a.m. Sponsored by Arlington Aglow. Guest speaker is Semmie Hollifield. Breakfast is \$3.25 donation. At St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 3439 Payne Street, Bailey's Crossroads. Call Betty Rose Forsell at 703-671-9264.

**Re-Entering the Workforce.** 10 a.m. to noon. Sponsored by The Women's Center. At Fairlington Community Center, 3308 S. Stafford St., Arlington.

**Intro to Edible Plants.** 2 to 3 p.m. Free. The program will cover "do's

and don'ts" of wild food gathering, history of food use, nutrition, and much, much more! At Potomac Overlook Park.

## Annual Summer Solstice

**Percussion Festival.** 7 to 9 p.m. Free. But donation of \$5 is requested. At Potomac Overlook.

**Arlington History Bike Tour.** 9 a.m. Cost is \$2. Bike from 1 to 23 miles visiting Arlington parks and historic sites dating from Colonial times to the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. Meet at the Ballston Metro Station (top of escalator, S.E. corner of N. Stuart street and Fairfax Drive). Contact Bernie Berne at 703-243-0179 or email [bhberne@yahoo.com](mailto:bhberne@yahoo.com).

**Columbia Pike Blues Festival.** 1 to 8 p.m. Free family friendly celebration of music, food and the diverse South Arlington community. Sponsored by the Columbia Pike Revitalization Organization. At Columbia Pike and S. Walter Reed Drive, South Arlington. Visit <http://columbiapikebluesfestival.wordpress.com/>

**Country Western Dance.** The Northern Virginia Country Western Dance Association will hold its smoke-free, alcohol-free dance at Luther Jackson Middle School, 3020 Gallows Road, Falls Church. BJ Brown will be the DJ. Eileen Scott will teach the "Refried Dreams" line dance and review the "Country Two-Step" line dance beginning at 7:30 p.m. Linda Bloyer will teach the "Blue Rose" couples specialty dance at 8 p.m. Open dancing is from 8:30 to 11 p.m. and includes Two Step, Waltz, line, Swing, Cha Cha, and specialty dances. Couples and singles are welcome. Admission for NVCWDA members \$10; non-members \$12; children under 18 accompanied by a paying adult \$5; PSDC members \$10. Regular admission rates do not apply to

special events dances. Snacks and drinks will be available. Visit the website, [www.nvcwda.org](http://www.nvcwda.org) or call the hot line 703-860-4941 and leave a message.

## JUNE 19-20

**Relay for Life: The Birthday Celebration.** Teams of friends, family members, and community groups will camp out for 17 hours, walking laps on a track, socializing, and participating in the scheduled events, including a moon bounce, face painting, hula-hoop contest, pictures in a fire trucks, all while listening to local and regional bands. Fund-raiser for the American Cancer Society. Beginning on June 19 at 2 p.m. and concluding at 7 a.m. the following morning. At Wakefield High School, 4901 S. Chesterfield Road, Arlington. Visit [www.relayarlington.org](http://www.relayarlington.org) or call Eric Harper at 703-938-5550/eric.harper@cancer.org.

## SUNDAY/JUNE 20

**Meet Me on a Sunday.** 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Free. The park provides refreshments, games and hands-on nature exhibits, and a fun place to meet and hang out. You take it from there: come alone or with family or friends; go on a walk; visit the nature center; or, just enjoy the day! At the Park at Potomac Overlook Regional Park, Arlington.

**All Things Trees.** 3 p.m. Free neighborhood walk and talk on all things trees. Experts will show examples of tree care in the neighborhood and answer questions. Meet at Aurora Hills Library, front entrance, 735 S. 18<sup>th</sup> Street, Arlington. No RSVP necessary. Contact [TreeStewards\\_ArlAlex@verizon.net](mailto:TreeStewards_ArlAlex@verizon.net).

## MONDAY/JUNE 21

**Solstice Celebration.** 7 to 9 p.m. Barcroft Park, 4200 S. Four Mile Run Drive, Arlington. Help celebrate the start of summer and long daylight hours. There will be several service project options including stream cleanup and invasive removal plus a geocaching demonstration. Register by email or call 703-228-6406.

**Katie Sawicki.** 8 p.m. Ticket price \$10. Must be 21 or older. Sharing the stage with DC's own Laura Tsaggaris and Victoria Vox. Sawicki will be accompanied by her old Brooklyn band-mate Emily Stanback. At the IOTA, 2832 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington. For more information visit [www.myspace.com/katiesawicki.com](http://www.myspace.com/katiesawicki.com) or email [booking@katiesawicki.com](mailto:booking@katiesawicki.com).

## TUESDAY/JUNE 22

**Author Talk: "White House Story."** 7 p.m. Melinda Bates discusses her eight years running the White House Visitors Office during the entire run of the Clinton administration. Breakfast with movies stars, Easter Egg rolls and gifts from kings were all in a day's work. At the Arlington Central Library, 1015 N. Quincy St., Arlington.

**Swing Dancing.** 9-11 p.m. Admission is \$10. With the band, JP McDermott and Western Bop. At the Clarendon Ballroom, 3185 Wilson Blvd., Arlington.

## WEDNESDAY/JUNE 23

**Exceptional Resume Writing for the Public and Private Sector.** 7-9 p.m. Sponsored by The Women's Center. At Fairlington Community Center, 3308 S. Stafford Street, Arlington.

## Star Trek Summer Film Festival

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**Parking:** Free garage parking available at designated Crystal City garages after 4:00PM

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**Weather:** Rain or Shine (except for severe inclement weather)

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Male Vocalist, Wes Horton, Washington-Lee High School, "Godspell."



Best Sound, Andrew Elliott, Washington-Lee High School, "Godspell."

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## Two Cappies for Washington-Lee

Washington-Lee High School received two Cappies at Sunday night's 11th annual Cappies Awards program at The Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C.

Senior Wes Horton received a Cappie for male vocalist in his performance of "Godspell."

"This is the first musical I've done as an adult," said Horton at the ceremony. "My heart's beating so fast. I was so scared at auditions; I hadn't sung in a long time. And I'm a Christian, so playing Jesus was really special to me."

Junior Andrew Elliott won a Cappie for sound: "It's really incredible. People don't consider sound when thinking about theater. But it's an important part because it adds a layer to the show that helps the audience experience it as the stage manager or director want them to."

Cappies is a high school critics and awards program involving more than 50 schools in the Virginia, Maryland and D.C. areas.

— BONNIE HOBBS



**Haiti Relief Funds** Jefferson Elementary School students presented a check for the Clinton/Bush Haiti Relief Fund on May 23 to former President Bill Clinton at the Wardman Park Hotel in Washington, D.C. Students raised \$2,224 for relief efforts in Haiti by paying \$1 or more to wear a hat at school for a day, a practice which is normally not allowed. Jefferson also donated funds to Doctors Without Borders.

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# Yorktown's Flickinger, Erdenebat Win State

**E**mily Flickinger and Esu Erdenebat became the first state tennis champions in Yorktown history on June 12. The duo won VHSL AAA doubles title with a 6-4, 6-0 victory over a team from Mills Goodwin at Jefferson District Park in Fairfax. Flickinger also won the state singles title, 4-6, 6-1, 6-1 over Maureen Slattery of Warwick.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

Despite playing as a doubles team for the first time this season, Flickinger and Erdenebat did not lose a set during the National District, Northern Region and state tournaments.

"They're both excellent singles players," head coach Natalie Roy said, "but the trick when you put two singles players together is, can you make a great doubles team?"

Flickinger, a junior, and Erdenebat, a sophomore, made it work. After winning the Northern Region championship, the duo defeated a team from Mills Goodwin 6-0, 6-1 and a team from First Colonial, 6-4, 6-3 before winning the state title against another Mills Goodwin squad.

"They were pretty dominant," Roy said.

As a singles player, Flickinger finished the season 19-0. In three seasons with the Patriots, Flickinger has lost only two matches. She lost in the opening round of regionals as a freshman and in the regional semifinals as a sophomore.

"She loses so infrequently, it's easy to tell about that as opposed to how many times she wins," Roy said. "She's just a fabulous player. She's got so many different ... tools in her tool box."

Erdenebat was the region runner-up, losing to Flickinger. Erdenebat fell to Warwick's Slattery, the eventual state runner-up, 6-1, 6-4 in the opening round of the state tournament.

"She's a very smart player," Roy said of Erdenebat. "She's a great retriever — she hits everything back — but she also has a very nice forehand for winners."

The Yorktown girls tennis team won the National District for the fourth time in five years, finishing 14-0. Five of the team's top six singles players finished undefeated, and each of the top six singles players and top three doubles teams members received all-district honors.

The Patriots had seven players named all-region: Flickinger, Erdenebat, Alex Zachem,

Stephanie Jennings, Angela Liang, Sheyla Fuentes and Ellie Berlyn.

## Yorktown Wins Inaugural Principals' Cup

The Yorktown athletic department captured the inaugural SunTrust Mortgage National District Principals' Cup this year, an award presented to the school with the most cumulative success involving all VHSL sponsored activities throughout the school year, according to the school's Web site.

Yorktown finished with nine district champion teams/groups and eight district runner ups. The Patriots accumulated 172 points, followed by Washington-Lee (150) and Edison (133).

## Couple Among First Finishers at Crossroads 17.75K

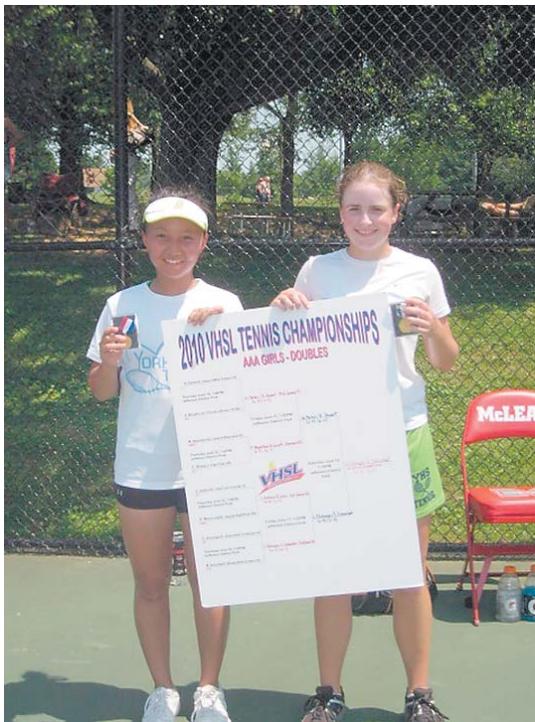
David Burnham, 26, of Arlington topped all 1,262 finishers in the Crossroads 17.75K by reaching the National Museum of the Marine Corps finish line in 1 hour, 3 minutes, 37 seconds. After breaking the finish tape, the newly married Burnham waited at the finish for his wife, Sarah, 25, who placed third among the women finishing at 1:21:38.

The Crossroads 17.75K distance of 11.03 miles commemorated the year the Marine Corps was founded and showcased scenic Prince William Forest Park.

Erin Moore, 35, of Springfield was the top female finisher at 1:15:56. Judy Doldorf, 37, of Woodbridge finished second for women overall at 1:21:05.

Jeff Poindexter, 20, of Stafford was the second male to finish at 1:05:56. William Mikolajczak, 24, of Triangle finished third at 1:07:08.

The male and female masters category was won by James Migletz, 40, with a finish time of 1:11:43 and Heidi Baise, 45, of King George with a 1:23:47 fin-



**Yorktown's Esu Erdenebat, left, and Emily Flickinger won the state doubles title on July 12. Flickinger also captured the state singles crown.**

outs on the track from 7:30-8:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and 6:30-7:30 p.m. on Thursdays.

## D.C. United To Host Summer Camp

D.C. United will run a week-long soccer camp at Washington-Lee High School as part of the club's 2010 Summer Camp schedule. The camp, intended for players of all skill levels ages 7-14, is available in both half-day and full-day sessions and runs from July 5-9.

The half-day session runs Monday-Friday from 9 a.m.-noon, and the full-day session lasts from 9 a.m.-p.m. The full-day camp includes a guest instructional and autograph session with D.C. United's Jaime Moreno on July 6.

In addition, participants in all camp programs receive an official D.C. United Camp ball, an official camp t-shirt, a ticket voucher to a D.C. United regular season home match with other camp participants, and discount offers on D.C. United ticket packages.

D.C. United offers summer

camps for players of all skill levels, from beginner to elite athlete.

Fees for the camp will be \$295 for the full-day program, and \$195 for the half-day program. For more information regarding camp registration or curriculum, visit the D.C. United summer camp page at <http://www.dcunited.com/camps/summer-camps> or contact Greg Steininger at 202-587-5468 or [gsteininger@dcunited.com](mailto:gsteininger@dcunited.com)

## Summer Pool Hours

The summer schedule for Arlington Aquatics Centers (Yorktown, Washington-Lee and Wakefield) begins June 28.

The Yorktown pool is open from noon-6 p.m. Sundays, 5:30-8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.-8:30 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays, 5:30-8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.-7 p.m. on Fridays and 9 a.m.-7 p.m. on Saturdays. July 4 holiday hours are 11 a.m.-4 p.m., July 5 holiday hours are 11 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sept. 7 holiday hours are 11 a.m.-6 p.m.

The Washington-Lee pool is open from noon-6 p.m. Sundays, 5:30-10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, 5:30-10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.-9 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m. on Fri

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## Yorktown Summer Conditioning

The Yorktown football program will hold summer workouts in the weight room from 5:30-7 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The field hockey program will have work-



**The Yorktown girls tennis team finished 14-0 in National District competition this season.**

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don a skirt and no tie. There is also a sock, shoe and haircut requirement.

Bishop O'Connell also requires admitted students to pay tuition. McManigal said it was slightly under \$10,000 for high school students and \$5,000 for middle and elementary school students.

McManigal said it is not a requirement that student and teachers be of the Catholic faith when attending Bishop O'Connell. She said the only exception was theology instructors.

Molly Power, 29, a theology teacher at Bishop O'Connell, said a Catholic education could give a more cohesive view of reality.

"It looks at reality and says how can we account for all these things," Power said. "Where public school answer's can be confused or muddled."

Power said she was taught in public schools until she earned her master's degree. She also instructed in both public and Catholic institutions and did not find it difficult to bounce between the two.

"Catholic education wants to go in depth of what's true and give students the ability to look at the rest of the world according to that truth," Power said. "That way the same truth can be seen in everything."

Charles Pyle, director of communications at the Virginia Department of Education, said the two different school systems complement each other by giving the community different options.

"There is a great deal of transparency today around public education information," Pyle said. "There are detailed report cards and student achievements and that is something private schools don't have."

**VORBACH ALSO SAID** instructors of different faiths are hired on the condition that they agree not to do things that are in odds with the Catholic Church or oppose the teachings.

Whitney Web, a French teacher at Bishop O'Connell, is Episcopalian and has been at the high school for three years. She said that she learns about Catholicism from the students and other staff members.

"The primary way I learn is from the kids and I am comfortable asking them questions," said Web, who attended Catholic schools. "It's fun to think about teaching and all the ways I can help the students though my experiences and learn from their experiences."

McManigal said salaries for teachers in Catholic schools are not the same as public schools because private schools do not receive government funding. She also said a majority of the tuition goes to paying staff members. "We have not found it to be difficult," McManigal said. "The support we give teachers and the sustainability of the school is attractive."

Vorbach said he sent his son to Bishop O'Connell. "The Catholic education that I got at this school is very beneficial to me," Vorbach said. "I feel fortunate to be in a position to make sure it's a good [education] for other people."

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## Charitable Misgivings



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

I have never been particularly charitable. Oh sure, I've given money here or there, especially when friends, neighbors, co-workers or family members have embraced - and solicited for - a cause. But on the whole, my actions (make that inaction) have left a lot to be desired. Unless of course, there were cookies or candy involved, or self-addressed, pre-stamped envelopes provided; otherwise, my inclination has been, generally speaking, not to "incline." I have stayed pretty much within my perimeters, not navigating (heck, not even drawing) outside the lines. I have been happy traveling within the imaginary guidelines set for me, set by me, set because of me. Well, that's about to change.

A little perspective goes a long way, and so too does an unexpected stage IV lung cancer diagnosis affect a life-long non-smoker at age 54; and so my perspective has changed (as in, "There are no atheists in foxholes," a quote most often attributed to World War II journalist, Ernie Pyle), evolved you might say, matured even, and now I'm redrawing some of those lines. I'm certainly not on the front lines, it's more of a rear guard-type action. I'm not addressing and/or stamping those envelopes or calling prospective donors over the phone, nor am I soliciting in public. I'm simply contributing, financially, more frequently than I have in the past. (That's not saying much, but it is saying something.) On the one hand, I figure it's not too late. On the other, I figure, given my prognosis, it's now or never. I don't think I'm making a Faustian-type deal, but neither do I know for sure that unselfish acts made in the face of death won't result in some kind of positive feedback down the line (under the line? up the line? across the line?). Still, I'm a long way from committing myself to a potential spiritual-type purity that might, in fact, alter the course (or is that curse?) of that future line. Nevertheless, I'd rather be safe than sorry, or at least think I'm being safe so maybe I won't be sorry. But who knows, really?

So yes, I suppose there is an ulterior motive. Now, whether a few dollars spread around (by me) to those less fortunate than I (cancer issues not-always-withstanding, although likely underlying every decision I now make; subconsciously probably, consciously definitely) and/or contributing to more charitable endeavors (other than myself) won't likely help me in this life, I can't see how it would hurt, either. Nor am I counting chickens or hatching a plan. I'm simply trying to consider the bigger picture.

It's not like I'm donating all my worldly possessions or going on a pilgrimage to the Promised Land to find the true meaning of life - and death. I'm still living my normal (relatively speaking for a cancer patient receiving chemotherapy every three weeks) life, but trying to work into that "normal" life more dos and less don'ts, and to be more sensitive to those who have not rather than to those who have a lot.

I wouldn't say this benevolence hit me recently. I would say it's been a gradual year-or-so ago awakening, having hit me on Feb. 27, 2009, when my internal medicine doctor first called me with the results of my biopsy. The "m" word has a way of sharpening your focus and maybe even redefining your values a bit.

So here I sit, 15 months later, approximately, doing better than my oncologist expected, and grateful for every result that he has characterized as "above average." I'm not thinking about death (too much), I'm thinking about life. And not just mine, but others. In a peculiar way, it sort of helps.

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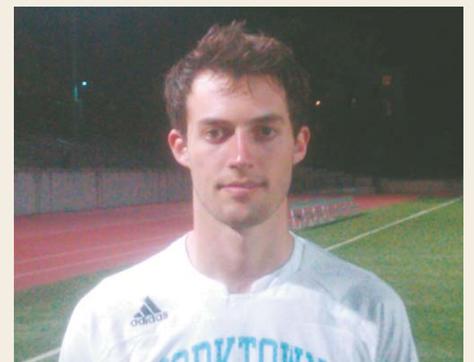
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## 5Qs

### Five questions with Yorktown senior Matt Gordon



**Q: What location is the farthest from the Washington D.C. metro area that you have traveled?**

A: Lake Como, Italy, for a soccer tournament with my club team.

**Q: Who is your favorite music artist?**

A: Lupe Fiasco. I'm really into his lyrics and the stuff he puts out has been great.

**Q: What is the best feeling you can have during a soccer game?**

A: It was actually the feeling I got on

[May 19] putting in the game-winning goal with two minutes left against our cross-city rivals, W-L.

**Q: What is your favorite movie?**

A: "Boondock Saints." To me it's a classic.

**Q: What are your plans for after high school?**

A: I'm heading off to Penn State next year.

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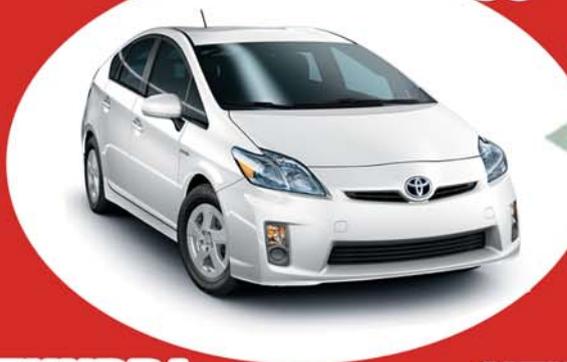
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