

Holiday Entertainment & Gift Guide



Paul VI students, first row, from left, Mary Frances Roll, Leah Utley, Meagan Astorino, Nicole Miller and Jackie Morrogh; second row, Liam Armstrong and Mary Krolicki; and third row, Jenny Jung, Ricky Mills, Brendan Muha, George Capen and Peter Mueller stand in the truck loaded with food students collected in the school's canned food drive.

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NEWS

Girl, 2, Thrown From Walkway

Grandmother charged in child's death.

According to a Fairfax County Police release, a 2-year-old died after a 50-year-old family member allegedly threw her from a sixth floor, outdoor walkway at Tysons Corner Center, 1961 Chain Bridge Road.

On Nov. 29., round 7:10 p.m., fire and rescue personnel were called for

the report of a child falling from the walkway. The child was taken to Inova Fairfax Hospital in life-threatening condition.

Police also responded to the scene. Following an investigation, officers determined that Carmela Dela Rosa, of 3100 block of Ellenwood Drive in Fairfax, was exiting the mall and walking to a parking garage with the victim and other family members. For an undetermined reason, police say, Dela Rosa picked up the child, Angelyn Ogdock, of the 1800 block of Griffith Road in Falls Church, and allegedly threw her over the edge of the walkway. Family members remained at the scene. Police charged Dela Rosa with aggravated malicious wounding and transported her to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center.

Around 4:30 a.m., homicide detectives learned that the victim succumbed to her injuries. The police originally charged Dela Rosa with aggravated malicious wounding and later amended it to murder.

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Carmela Dela Rosa

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Gifts That Help Others

Gifts that Give Hope Alternative Gift Fair benefits area non-profits.

BY AMBER HEALY
THE CONNECTION

Forget about buying the latest electronic gadget or gizmo that will break after a few weeks. This year, for the holidays, why not give the gift of hope?

The Fairfax Giving Circle of Hope is hosting its annual Gifts that Give Hope Alternative Gift Fair, Saturday at Truro Church, 10520 Main St. in Fairfax, allowing the philanthropic gift giver the option to give donations in honor of their friends and loved ones who might not need another scarf, tie or paperweight.

Organized by the Giving Circle of Hope, an organization that pools together a monthly contribution from its members to donate or make small grants to area non-profits, the Alternative Gift Fair is a place for people to "give meaningful gifts, go green and support neighbors in need," said Linda Strup, one of the co-founders of the giving circle and an organizer for this year's event.

At least 25 organizations will be featured on Saturday, ranging from Food for Others and Friends of Guest House to Computer C.O.R.E and Empower Women International.

"Alternative gift fairs have been around for a long

time, but in the last few years, there's been a lot of interest in them," Strup said, adding that the faltering economy, combined with job losses and a renewed focus on the importance of meaningful gifts instead of the latest trends, has changed the way people go about picking presents.

The premise of the gift fair is simple: Wander through the booths set up by various non-profit organizations, pick out the ones that best represent the interests of the gift recipient, and they will get a specially designed card saying a donation has been made to that organization on their behalf.

"Instead of giving Aunt Janet and Uncle Ralph a tie and a bottle of perfume, why not buy a bag of groceries for a family in need?" Strup said.

For those insistent on giving tangible gifts, local artisans or representatives from organizations around the world will offer handmade goods, and all profits go back to the communities where the goods were made, to benefit the women and men who made them, she said.

The gift fair is part of a larger Christmas in the City event in Fairfax, Strup said, and "everyone who comes just loves it." She's grateful for the support the event has had the city, including Truro Church, which donates the use of its space for the event.

The organizations that sign up for the fair enjoy it as well, as it provides the opportunity volunteers with the opportunity to explain what their group does and who benefits from its work.

Take, for example, Food for Others.

Roxanne Rice, executive director for the organiza-

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Patrons at last year's Gifts that Give Hope Alternative Gift Fair consider some handmade soaps and other bath items. This year's event is schedule for Saturday at Truro Church in Fairfax.

Paul VI Students Show Can-Do Spirit

Students Collect cans and money for Food for Others.

BY BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

A silver anniversary marks a special commitment and, for 25 years now, Paul VI Catholic High School has demonstrated that with its annual Ton of Love Canned Food Drive for Food for Others.

From Nov. 15-19, students collected 29,864 cans — plus \$14,201 — for this Merrifield-based food bank, and Deputy Director Liz Reinert is delighted.

"It's amazing," she said. "They collected so much food that our truck went there empty, every morning, and came back filled."

"In the past 10 years, Paul VI has collected over 200,000 pounds of food for us," said Reinert. "Some of those kids started this as freshmen and have been involved all four years. A lot of them do their community-service hours that way, and it has been a wonderful relationship for both of us."

— Liz Reinert



PHOTO BY EILEEN KILEY

Paul VI students collected 29,864 cans and \$14,201 for Food for Others. Shown here are, first row, from left, Mary Frances Roll, Leah Utley, Meagan Astorino, Nicole Miller and Jackie Morrogh; second row, Liam Armstrong and Mary Krolicki; and third row, Jenny Jung, Ricky Mills, Brendan Muha, George Capen and Peter Mueller

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GIFTS & GIVING

New T-Shirt Store Opens in Old Town

Shop carries new and used T-shirts as well as vintage clothing.

BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE
THE CONNECTION

Stan Darke got his start designing T-shirts in art class at Hayfield Secondary School. Darke, now 38, created a "beach week" shirt for his fellow Hayfield seniors in 1990.

"I have always wanted to open my own store," said Darke, who grew up in Lorton.

The Fairfax County native just launched The Factory, a T-shirt and vintage clothing shop, on Main Street in Old Town Fairfax last month.

The retail outlet carries mostly used and new T-shirts, some of which feature Darke's own designs. The store offers assorted vintage apparel, including boots, dresses, belts, bags and button-down shirts for an affordable price.

"I have wanted to do retail. In the past, I have looked at malls, town centers and various shopping centers. Then, I found this place. It was a lot more affordable and the idea of vintage clothing fits in well with Old Town Fairfax," said Darke.

THE STORE OWNER also operates Darke Graphics, a custom screen printing shop in Burke. Darke Graphics handles custom printing on T-shirts, sweatshirts and other apparel for over 100 businesses and schools



PHOTO BY JULIA O'DONOGHUE/THE CONNECTION

Fairfax County native Stan Darke opened The Factory, a T-shirt and vintage clothing shop, in Old Town Fairfax last month.

in the Fairfax County area.

Darke started his first business shortly after graduating from Virginia Commonwealth University in 1995.

At first, Darke's T-shirt printing was part-time and more like a hobby. But in 2003, Darke decided to leave his job teaching middle school art and work full-time at Darke Graphics.

He hired a sales director, Cornell Felton, who is also a Hayfield graduate.

"I don't think I'll ever do something where I am not my own boss again," said Darke.

Darke wanted to expand his business into the retail sector, primarily to showcase his

own T-shirt designs. He said much of the bulk work he does for schools and small businesses doesn't allow him to be creative as he would like.

"They usually come in with a design and idea of what they want. It is more rewarding, doing your own designs," he said.

Even before The Factory opened, Darke sold some of his original T-shirt designs through Darke Graphics office in Burke and over his website www.darkgraphics.com.

He tends to favor simple, urban graphics and many Darke's original shirts have a political theme.

One of his top sellers reads "Capitalism:

"Get It While It Lasts" written in the style of the Coca-Cola Classic logo. Another shirt shows a panel of portraits where Barack Obama slowly morphs into George Bush, with "Change?" written under the photographs.

Yet another shirt is a play on the old Run-D.M.C. song "You Be Illin" from 1986. It has a picture of North Korean dictator Kim Jong-Il on the front with the line "Kim Jong-Il Be Illin" under it.

"It is a sense of humor thing. I have a dry or off-the-wall sense of humor," said Darke.

In addition to Darke's original designs, The Factory also carries several used and vintage T-shirts. Darke buys these shirts in bulk from all over the country and Canada.

"We have a combination of stuff. It is everything from those shirts from the 1970s with the wildlife scene or cute animal on the front to 1985 Chicago Bears Super Bowl champions shirts," said Darke.

"The buttery soft vintage tees are my favorites. I don't really care what is on them. There is nothing like a vintage T-shirt," he added.

The Factory is a nice addition to Old Town Fairfax's retail market. "We want a nice balance of different types of retail. We can't just rely on one type of retail. ... The more retail we have in Fairfax the better," said Steve Stombres, council member for the City of Fairfax.

Patrons who visit that store will hopefully go to other retail stores in the area.

"I think it would help our foot traffic and more foot traffic would be good for us," said Nick McVey, manager of the Fairfax Surf Shop, also in Old Town Fairfax.

WEEK IN FAIRFAX

Woodson Jams for Pakistan

In the hopes of helping some of the millions of people affected by July's flooding in Pakistan, the Woodson High School DECA is hosting a concert on Wednesday, Dec. 8, at 7:30 p.m., at Jammin' Java, in Vienna. Proceeds from the concert will benefit Pakistan relief efforts. To promote the concert, Woodson marketing students and DECA members will be handing out water bottles with labels on them on Saturday, Dec. 4, at the bike trail near Freeman Store in Vienna. Performing at the Dec. 8 show will be Escape the Armada, an area alternative band with a nationwide following. Tickets for the concert can be purchased for \$12 prior to the show and \$15 at the door. Jammin' Java is located at 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. For more information, go to jamminjava.com.

Schmidt Named Virginia Law Foundation Fellow

The Virginia Law Foundation recently named William L. Schmidt, an attorney in private practice and the founder of William L. Schmidt & Associates, P.C., as a Fellow of the foundation. Schmidt will be inducted on Jan. 20, at the Annual Fellows Induction Dinner in Williamsburg. Formed to encourage and acknowledge excellence in the practice of law and public service, Fellows of the Virginia Law Foundation supports the programs and objectives of the Virginia Law Foundation. George W. Shanks, president-elect of the Virginia State Bar, nominated Schmidt.



Courtland Homes Receives Home of Year Award

Courtland Homes, a privately owned homebuilding company, received the Home of the Year Award for its newest community, Main Street Residences. Located at the corner of Main Street and Judicial Drive in the City of Fairfax, Main Street Residences was honored for its architectural and design excellence. Courtland Homes also received the Design and Architecture Award and the Interior Merchandising Award. Main Street Residences' 36 brick and stone townhomes were designed by Devereaux & Associates of McLean. The photo shows Courtland's Berkshire Kitchen.

HOLIDAY ENTERTAINMENT

Scaled Back Celebration Still Set To Light Up Fairfax

Annual Festival of Lights features lunch with Santa.

By JULIA O'DONOGHUE
THE CONNECTION

The City of Fairfax will conduct its annual Festival of Lights and Carols on Saturday, Dec. 4 from 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The event has been scaled back from previous years because of the economic downturn and the city's current fiscal constraints, said Leslie Herman, special events and facilities manager for the city.

"Due to budget cuts, we have been unable to light up the [Kitty Pozner] Garden like we have in the past. We just didn't have the funds to do it," she said.

Herman added that festival features that were cut last year — like the yule log segment, fire pit and hot cider — remain off the schedule because of budget limitations. Like 2009, the festival will also continue to take place on one day instead of across two days as it traditionally has, she said.

According to Herman, the City of Fairfax was only able to have the light festival this year because of the Northern Virginia Re-



Mayor Robert Lederer and a group of children prepare to light last year's tree.

gional Park Authority. The authority, which oversees the Bull Run Festival of Lights in western Fairfax, donated all the lighting for the City of Fairfax's tree this year, she said.

Fairfax Mayor Robert Lederer and a group of children will "use magic" to light up the

large Christmas tree between 5 p.m. and 6 p.m., said Herman.

The Northern Virginia Park Authority's Christmas tree light display will be far more elaborate than those the city has erected in the past. This year, the tree lights will be

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— Jo Ormesher

set to change color with music playing in the garden.

"Normally we do the lights ourselves but these are going to be very, very different lights. They are animated lights," said Jo Ormesher, Fairfax City spokeswoman.

Earlier in the day, the festival also features a lunch with Santa for children under 12. Tickets for the lunch are \$5 and seatings take place at 11:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m. and 1 p.m. All children attending will receive a gift certificate to Woody's Ice Cream.

"We just moved to the heart of Fairfax City and joined in the heart of the celebration," said Woody Lashley, owner of the store on North Street.

Lashley said he will also have a Santa Claus at the ice cream parlor on Dec. 10 and 18 between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m.

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Encore Holiday Aims To Dazzle, Delight

Local dance school stages 'Santa Got Frostbite.'

BY BONNIE HOBBS
THE CONNECTION

Featuring dazzling costumes, colorful sets and songs and dances bursting with Christmas spirit, Encore Theatrical Arts Project (ETAP) presents its holiday show, "Santa Got Frostbite."

Marking the group's 15th anniversary, it's a new and original musical showcasing the talents of guest performers Tina and Dan Delafield, plus nearly 40 students who mainly attend school in Centreville or Chantilly.

"Tabitha Dees designed the set, and it makes you feel you're in a magical space," said director Raynor van der Merwe. "There's Christmas in New York, with Rockefeller Center and Radio City Music Hall; the North Pole; and an enormous Santa's Workshop with staircases and Nutcrackers."

WATCH (Washington Area Theatre Community Honors) award-winner van der Merwe also choreographed the show, so her dancers will perform with split-second precision. They've been rehearsing since August.

"I have so many wonderful singers, too," said van der Merwe. "They truly are growing to be triple threats, singing, dancing and acting."

Performances are at Northern Virginia Community College's Richard J. Ernst Theater, 8333 Little River Turnpike in Annandale. Show times are Saturday Dec. 11, at 12 p.m., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Sunday Dec. 12, at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.; Friday, Dec. 17, at 8 p.m.; Saturday, Dec. 18, at 12 p.m., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.; and Sunday Dec. 19, at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Tickets are \$18-\$21; call



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Raggedly Ann and Andy dancers take the stage during Encore Theatrical Arts Project's holiday show, 'Santa Got Frostbite.'

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Written by Brandon Kalbaugh, "Santa Got Frostbite" shows what happens when Jack Frost, who is always jealous of Santa Claus, tries to shift the spotlight from Santa to himself. "If Santa or the elves drink coffee, instead of hot chocolate, they fall under Jack Frost's spell," said van der Merwe. "But with the help of the reindeer, Mrs. Claus saves the day."

The Encore dancers rehearse more than 20 hours a week, leading up to the performances, and van der Merwe said it's rewarding to see their passion and dedication.

"They get inspired by Encore alumni success, such as Paige Williams, now a Rockette," she said. "And they also have their own sense of pride in performing well."

Noting the camaraderie between the dancers and audience during Encore's holiday shows, she said this year's extravaganza will affect all of the audience's senses. "It's lighthearted and is something for the whole family," she said. "This Broadway-style spectacular will take their mind off everything else and transport them to a special place, and everybody will leave the theater feeling uplifted."

Centreville High senior Ali Waldman has been with Encore since fourth grade and appreciates the opportunities it's given her. "We performed in Spain, in various theaters and for different groups and get to meet a lot of people," she said. "And I love the rush I get from performing on stage."

Over the years, said Waldman, van der Merwe's taught her many life lessons that helped her prepare for college. "I know I'll be fine because of the time-management skills and other things she's taught me," said Waldman.

Her favorite number in this show is "Wooden Soldiers," in which the dancers wear long red jackets, black pants and tall

hats like Buckingham Palace guards. "It's fun moving stiffly like a wooden soldier." She added that the product will bring joy to the audience. "It's also really funny," said Waldman. "Everything about this show is phenomenal."

If Santa or the elves drink coffee, instead of hot chocolate, they fall under Jack Frost's spell.

— Raynor van der Merwe

it. Go after what you love and put your whole heart into it, and you'll be happy."

Dudzik especially likes the "Reindeer" song in which the dancers wear brown-velvet jackets and antlers. "It's really upbeat and fun and is technically difficult, so it's a real crowd-pleaser," she said. "All the dancers work well to make the show come together; it puts you in the holiday mood. Our costumes and sets are always fantastic, our singing is wonderful and our dancing is just great."

Melissa Pyne, a Fairfax High senior and member of the Fairfax Dance Academy at



Santa reviews a line of dancers.

HOLIDAY

Encore

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her school, is in her ninth year with Encore. She said that she's bonded with people outside her home and the peers who'll help further her future. She said all dancers start out with passion, but van der Merwe "makes sure it stays alive."

Her favorite number is "Santa Claus is Coming to Town" because it's bright and peppy, "stylized and versatile, and includes everyone from Santa to elves to Rockettes." And, she added, "The 'Multiplying Santas' number is always exciting to see."

Pyne also likes the new, Starbuck's waitress costumes that are white with green-satin aprons. "They're gorgeous and so well-put-together," she said.

Sully Station's Yanelle Artieda, who is homeschooled, has danced with Encore since she was 9. "I used to dance at a ballet company," she said. "Then I saw an Encore Christmas show, with the whole package, singing, dancing and acting, and decided that's what I like."

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OPINION

Safety Net for Celebrating with Alcohol

Plan ahead, have a designated driver and carry the SoberRide number.

The season for holiday parties is upon us, and with it the increased incidence of driving under the influence. This year, with increased awareness about so-called "distracted driving," it's worth noting that both driving after drinking at a party and using your cell phone while you drive are behaviors you can control.

The possible consequences of driving drunk and underage drinking are often hard to comprehend, but the stories and grief of local families who have lost loved ones to such accidents provide a chilling reminder.

William Cameron Schlifke, born in Fairfax and a graduate of Robinson Secondary School, died Monday, Nov. 24, 2008, less than three days after he was rear-ended in Newport News. He was 22. Schlifke was serving as designated driver for friends in his fraternity at Christopher Newport University. The driver who crashed into him, 20 at the time and also a student at CNU, was arrested at the scene and charged with DUI refusal, reckless driving and underage possession of alcohol, and was convicted of manslaughter.

Unfortunately, such tragedy is not rare. In fall 2008, a different young man from Fairfax was sentenced to three years in jail for involuntary manslaughter because of a drunk-driving accident on Dec. 3, 2007 that resulted in the death of one of his friends in the car and permanent injury for another. One family lost

a beloved daughter after she clung to life for five brutal days; one family has seen their active son reduced to 70 pounds and "unresponsive" and living in a nursing home.

Such tragedies, if they do not touch us personally, often seem remote. Perhaps in these tough economic times, it's also worth adding up some of the financial cost of an arrest for driving under the influence. In Fairfax County, there were more than 3,100 arrests for driving under the influence in 2008. In Arlington, 677 arrests. In Alexandria, 515 arrests. In the

City of Fairfax, 181 arrests.

EDITORIAL Such an arrest is likely to cost as much as \$20,000 or more in legal fees. A conviction results in long term increases in insurance costs of \$1,500 a year or more. A conviction could result in losing a job. And once convicted you'll have to answer "yes" on any job application that asks if you have been convicted of a crime.

DON'T TAKE THE RISK. Plan ahead, leave your car at home, take public transportation, arrange for a designated driver, or choose to abstain if a designated driver isn't available.

But if you find yourself in the unfortunate position of drinking without a safe way home on your own this holiday season, the Washington Regional Alcohol Program has provided you with a safety net called SoberRide. Take their number with you when you head out, and

be sure any young adults (must be 21 or over) in your family are similarly armed.

Founded in 1982, WRAP is a public-private partnership working to prevent drunk driving and underage drinking in the Washington-metropolitan area. The program gave more than 500 people a safe ride home on Halloween weekend this year.

Parents are well advised to talk to their teens and let them know that if they find themselves without a safe ride home, that they can call their parents to be picked up. There are consequences of binge drinking for teens that go beyond driving under the influence. But it is also important for parents to let their teens know that whatever happens, it is not OK to drink and drive or to get into a car driven by someone who has been drinking.

WRAP's 2010 Holiday SoberRide program is available beginning from 10 p.m., Friday, Dec. 17 to 6 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 1, 2011. To receive a free cab ride home (up to a \$30 fare), call 800-200-8294. You must be 21 or older. (Callers are responsible for anything over \$30.)

Safely Home

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One Bad Idea

BY SEN. CHAP PETERSEN
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Last week, the Virginia State Senate held its annual finance retreat in the City of Staunton, which is located in the Shenandoah Valley. Staunton is a city with many steep hills. Going for a 2-mile run in Staunton is like running 5 miles anywhere else.

That's ironic because in Virginia we are creating another mountain. It's called state-supported debt.

Debt? In the Old Dominion?

Virginia has traditionally operated on the "pay as you go" financial model instituted by Gov. Harry Byrd in the 1920s. Gov. Byrd insisted on using cash, and not debt, to build the state's highway system. This approach led Virginia to become the first U.S. state to be rated "AAA" by the Wall Street rating agencies in 1934.

That positive legacy has stayed with us for the past 76 years. Today, Virginia is still one of only seven states to be "AAA" rated, which allows us access to the cheapest credit when we do borrow. One of the reasons for this highest rating is our 5 per-

Counter to long-standing practice, Virginia piles up mountain of debt.

cent "debt to equity" ratio on our borrowing. In other words, Virginia will not issue debt if the total outstanding is more than 5 percent of general fund revenues.

That's an important standard. Yet we do borrow.

Historically, that borrowing went for capital projects at our state universities. While that is still a factor, increasingly universities pay for buildings (dorms, student unions, stadiums) out of "9d" bonds that are paid back from non-general revenue, e.g. student fees.

COMMENTARY

TODAY, state borrowing increasingly subsidizes highway projects. Not just new construction but existing maintenance. In other words, we're borrowing money to repave our roads, while using student fees to build our college campuses.

That doesn't make sense.

Currently, Virginia has about \$9 billion in aggregated tax-supported debt. (That's still less than Maryland, which has 60 percent of our population). Annual service on that debt is approximately \$594 million, which is a large portion of our General Fund budget.

What is more worrisome is that an additional

52 percent of our dedicated Transportation Trust Fund dollars (from gas and car titling taxes) are being used to pay down debt, not as cash for existing maintenance or new projects. That is a radical change from our system, even 10 years ago.

That's because the Assembly in 2000 and 2007 passed ambitious transportation programs, without new revenues to raise the funds (or taxes that were constitutional).

So the new bonds are paid back with existing funds. And then additional bonds are issued to pay the ongoing costs on the existing system. The whole thing is completely backwards.

Today Virginia is sitting on the authority to issue another \$3 billion in transportation bonds without any new taxes or revenues to pay them back. Some lawmakers are talking about raising our debt ceiling to let those bonds be issued in 2011. That's a bad idea.

In the meantime, the projects are started. The bonds are issued. And they're paid back with borrowed dollars for which our kids will pay the interest.

And the mountain slowly grows.

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THURSDAY/DEC. 2

Holiday Tunes for Tots Concert. 10 a.m. W.T. Woodson High School, 9525 Main St., Fairfax. Geared for preschool and early elementary students. Tickets \$3. HolidayTunesForTots@gmail.com or 703-352-7715.

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Art and Law. 7:30 p.m. at George Mason University Harris Theater, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Free. 703-993-8898.

FRIDAY/DEC. 3

The Virginia Opera: Mozart's "Così Fan Tutte." 8 p.m. at George Mason University Center For The Arts Concert Hall, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. \$48-\$98. 888-945-2468 or www.tickets.com.

Atomic Tom at 7 p.m. and Super bob, Uncrowned and Rebel Inc at 10 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

"Amahl and the Night Visitors." 8 p.m. at George Mason University Harris Theater, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Gian Carlo Menotti's classic story. \$20 adults, \$15 students and seniors. 888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu.

NOVA Community College Green Club Eco Rage. 7:30 p.m. at Northern Virginia Community

College's Annandale Campus, 8333 Little River Turnpike, Annandale. An environmentally friendly dance party. \$5 admission, which will go to the participating student clubs to further the movement to improve NOVA's environmental impact. Food provided by the African Caribbean Student Association. nova.greenclub@gmail.com or 703-909-6655.

SATURDAY/DEC. 4

Fairfax Festival of Lights and Carols. 11:30 a.m.-7 p.m. Old Town Hall, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. Tickets available at Parks and Recreation office at City Hall and Green Acres Center. 703-385-7858 or www.fairfaxva.gov.

❖ **Lunch with Santa.** 11:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m. and 1 p.m. at Old Town Hall.

❖ **Band, Chorus and Orchestra Performance.** 2:30 p.m. at Sidney Lanier Middle School, 3801 Jermantown Road, Fairfax.

❖ **Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony.** 5 p.m. in the Kitty Pozer Garden behind Old Town Hall. Caroling, music by Good News Ringers and the Jubil-Aires.

❖ **Candlelight Tours of Historic Ratcliffe-Allison House.** 6-7 p.m. Ratcliffe-Allison House, next to Old Town Hall. Candlelight tours of the city's oldest residence.

Turtle Island String Quartet. 8 p.m. George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. With jazz pianist Cyrus Chestnut and mandolinist Mike Marshall. A pre-performance discussion, free to ticket holders, begins 45 minutes prior to the performance on the Center's Grand Tier III. Tickets \$22-\$44, available at

888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu.

Gifts That Give Hope Alternative Gift Fair.

12-5 p.m. at Truro Church, 10520 Main St., Fairfax. Donations and some tangible items for local non-profits in all price ranges, from \$15 for a gallon of milk plus a dozen eggs for 3 families up to \$75 to help prevent eviction for a family with children. More than 20 non-profit organizations will be on-hand. www.givingcircleofhope.org or www.giftsthatgivehope.org.

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Ballyhoo and Mojo. 10 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

Incorporating Fresh Flowers with Holiday Greens. 10 a.m. Merrifield Garden Center's Fair Oaks, 12101 Lee Hwy, Fairfax. MerrifieldGardenCenter.com.

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Northern Virginia Country Western Dance Association.

Accotink Unitarian Universalist Church, 10125 Lakehaven Court, Burke. Line dance lessons at 7:30 p.m. Couples specialty dance lessons at 8 p.m. Open dancing 8:30-11 p.m. Two Step, Waltz, line, Swing, Cha Cha and specialty dances. Couples and singles welcome. Admission \$5-\$12. www.nvcwda.org or 703-860-

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All Aboard for Holiday Display

The Fairfax Station Railroad Museum is hosting the 21st Annual Model Train Display this Saturday and Sunday. The museum is located at 11200 Fairfax Station Road, Fairfax Station. N-track trains will be running. See listings for times and admission.



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Wine Gifts for the Holidays

BY MIKE POTASHNIK & DON WINKLER
INTERNATIONAL WINE REVIEW

Why not give wine for the holidays? Wine makes a great gift. Both the casual wine drinker and the seasoned wine enthusiast will be excited to receive a gift of wine.

Local wine shops are a great place to browse for that special wine gift. One of the many benefits of living in Northern Virginia and Maryland is the abundance of choices of wines from all over the world and at every price level.

Make your gifts exotic by choosing wines from lesser known countries and producers. Some countries like Argentina and Chile are well known for their wines, whereas Austria and Portugal are relatively new international producers.

Of course, which wine you buy as a gift depends on both your pocketbook and the person you're giving to. We usually think of wine-drinkers as falling into three categories: The Casual Wine Drinker, who may not know the difference between Chardonnay and Pinot Grigio. Serious Wine Drinkers, who know what they like but pretty much limit themselves to the popular brands. And the Semi-Pro who knows wine and probably has more than a few bottles stashed in a wine cooler, closet or cellar.

Let's consider which wines each of these might

The Wine Shop has more than 700 different varieties of wine.

like to receive for the Holidays. We've limited our choices to wines that should be available in most good wine stores. All prices are retail prices recommended by the winery or importer; the shelf price is often lower.

❖ **The Casual Wine Drinker.** While you might not be spending lots of money on the casual wine drinker, you can still give a bottle that will give a lot of pleasure. Stick with the well-known varietals, but find a new producer or new region. Argentine Malbec would fit the bill. Ask your purveyor for a mid-priced Malbec from a producer like Andeluna, Salentein, or Doña Paula. We recently tasted the 2009 Doña Paula Los Cardos Malbec and especially like it. Best of all, it costs just \$10 a bottle.

Everyone these days loves Pinot Noir, and a good one for the casual drinker has been produced by Carneros winemaker, Sean Minor. His 2009 4 Bears Pinot Noir (\$17) is ripe, flavorful and fleshy and is unbeatable for the price.

A good, sparkling wine is another option. One that all casual wine drinkers would love is the Roederer Estate (\$18) from California's Anderson Valley.

If your friend prefers white wines, try a cool coastal Chardonnay from California. When we visited the Santa Lucia Highlands last year we enjoyed the 2008 Mer Soleil Barrel Fermented Chardonnay (\$19). While a little more pricey than the other wines recommended here, it's a sure thing.

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12/5 12:00 PM Christmas in Camp—Historic Blenheim
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4:00 PM "Tis the Season"—Main St Community Band—Woodson HS

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5:00-7:00 PM Fairfax Art League Holiday Reception—Old Town Hall
12/10 8:00 PM Bonita Lestina Series at Old Town Hall Colombia Flute Choir "Celebrating the Season"
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12/17 6:00 PM Holiday Celebration Art Show—theSPACE at Old Town Plaza'
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Cheerleading Clinic. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Paul VI High School, 10675 Fairfax Blvd., Fairfax. Learn motions, jumps, cheers, chants, dance, stunts and tumbling and create a short routine to perform at a PVI basketball game. Age groups K-3 and 4-8. \$50. pvipanthers@gmail.com to register.

"The Big Bad Musical." 12 p.m. The SPACE Performing Arts Center, Old Town Plaza, 3950 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax. Acting for young people. www.visitfairfax.com.

"25 Ark Lane." 8 p.m. The SPACE Performing Arts Center, Old Town Plaza, 3950 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax. Advanced acting for young people. www.visitfairfax.com.

SUNDAY/DEC. 5

The Virginia Opera: Mozart's "Così Fan Tutte." 2:30 p.m. at George Mason University Center For The Arts Concert Hall, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. \$48-\$98. 888-945-2468 or www.tickets.com.

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Cut-a-thon for Bethany House. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at Salon Antoine and Spa, 11092 Lee Highway, #101-A, Fairfax. All of the day's proceeds will benefit Bethany House of Northern Virginia, Inc., helping women and children who have suffered from domestic violence. Contact Salon Antoine at 703-691-8878 or www.SalonAntoine.com or Bethany House at 703-658-9500 or www.bhnv.org.

World AIDS Day Concert. 5 p.m. Lutheran Church of the Abiding Presence, 6304 Lee Chapel Road, Burke. Sponsored by 25:40, a local non-profit organization dedicated to children in South Africa fighting poverty and AIDS. Free admission. www.2540.org.

Living History Civil War Winter Encampment. 2-4 p.m. The Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. Talk to re-enactors from "Fairfax Rifles," Company D of the 17th Virginia Infantry as they portray Confederate soldiers and civilians in a winter encampment. Hear how the soldiers celebrated Christmas and their thoughts on being away from home for the holidays. Free. Hot cider and cookies served. 703-591-0560.

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Main Street Community Band: "Tis the Season. 4 p.m. at W. T. Woodson High School Auditorium, 9525 Main St., Fairfax. Tchaikovsky's "The Nutcracker," the "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's Messiah, Holst's "Christmas Day," "Winter Wonderland," "Good King Wences-Salsal" by Morales and Bulla's "Rhapsody for Hanukkah." Santa Claus will make an appearance. Bring a nonperishable food item to benefit Food for Others. Free. Early admittance for advanced ticket holders begins at 3 p.m. Doors open

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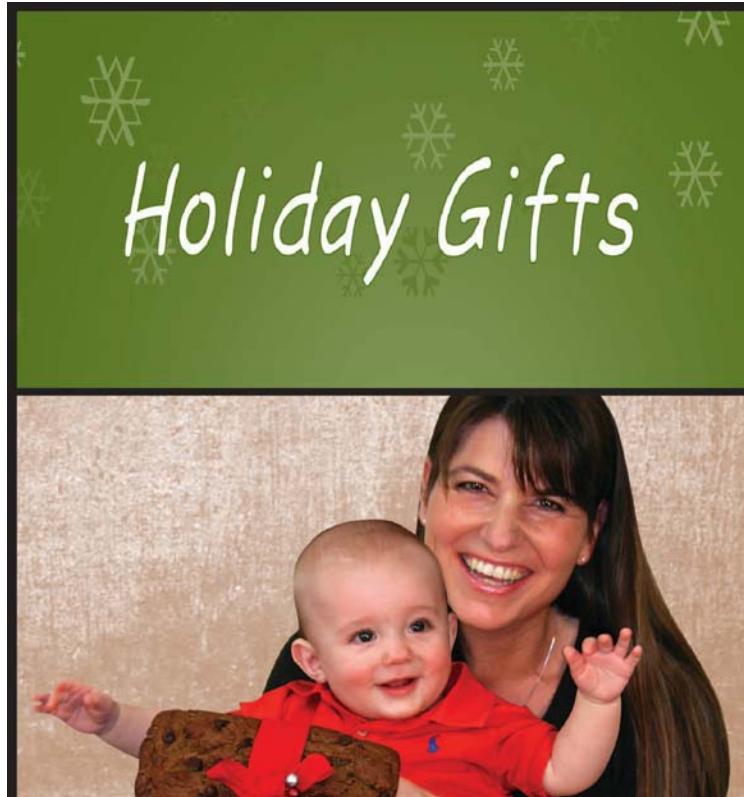
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Wine Makes a Great Gift

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❖ The Serious Wine Drinker. The Serious Wine Drinker is likely to be a little more open than the Casual Wine Drinker to trying something new. Here we recommend you find something that will stretch his or her wine knowledge just a bit. Our first choice might be a different varietal from a reliable producer. One such bottle we tasted this past year is Montes Alpha Carmenere (\$19) from Chile. It's a reasonably priced, delicious, full-bodied red wine from a very good Chilean winery. (We also offer many suggestions on pairing Carmenere and food on our website www.i-winereview.com.) Among white wines, we'd recommend an Austrian Grüner Veltliner such as Anton Bauer's 2009 Rosenberg Reserve (\$24) or other Anton Bauer cuvees. They combine flavor, acidity, and minerality that is hard to find in one bottle.

Red table wine from Portugal would also be different. We recommend the 2008 Quinta Vale Meão Meandro (\$20), the 2008 Quinta do Vallado Tinto (\$29), or the Herdade do Esporão Reserva (\$21) all wines which have abundant red and black fruit, spice, and complex flavors.

❖ The Semi-Pro. The Semi-Pro is the most

difficult to buy for. If you have lots to spend, you can pick a top end wine that is certain not to disappoint. The 2008 Phelps Insig-nia (\$185) is one such wine — expensive but worth it, and the person receiving it will recognize both its quality and value. If your pocketbook is looking for something a little lower in price, there are many options. Everyone loves a good Oregon Pinot Noir, and Cristom produces some of the best. The 2007 Cristom Marjorie Vineyard Pinot Noir (\$50) is exceptionally good, but so are Cristom's other bottlings, (reviews at www.i-winereview.com).

Another option is a rich, full-bodied Ribera del Duero wine like the 2006 Bodegas Condado de Haza Crianza (\$30) or the 2006 Cyclo (\$51). If these specific bottlings are not available in your local store, ask for something similar from Ribera del Duero.

Another terrific wine gift is an introductory subscription to the International Wine Review, just \$25 for six months. Purchase on-line at www.i-winereview.com.

Mike Potashnik and Don Winkler have for the past 30 years traveled the globe and tasted thousands of wines in search of the best wines and innovative winemakers to recommend to consumers and wine professionals. They have published the International Wine Review, based in McLean, since 2005.

Shop for Wine Nearby



The Wine Shop's owner Michael Pearce has his own vintage, Lil Rippa.

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CALENDAR

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to the general public at 3:45 p.m. 703-757-0220 or www.fairfaxband.org.
Wolftrap's 42nd Annual Holiday Sing-A-Long. 4 p.m. Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts, 1624 Trap Road, Vienna. Led by the United States Marine and a 400-member choir. Donations of new, unwrapped toys will be accepted at the entrance for Toys for Tots, but are not required. Free admission. 703-255-1917 or grahamb@wolftrap.org.

Hands on Chanukah Celebration. 1-4 p.m. Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia, 8900 Little River Turnpike, Fairfax. "Shalom Sesame," arts and crafts, a hi-tech game room for ages 8 and up, Chanukah songs and stories, a recyclable Menorah and dreidel making project, moon bounce, face painting, balloon artist and more.

Design a fused glass dreidel for an additional fee. Lunch available for purchase. \$7-\$18. 703-537-3036 or LADler@jccnv.org.
Fairfax Art League Open House. 5-7 p.m. Old Town Hall, Second Floor gallery, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. Featured artists will include Glenda Kirkman, Abol Bahadori, Dixon Vergaray, Kay Burris, Al Marra and Consuela Woodford. Live music by Sior Og, an Irish musical combo headed by Howard Rhile. Refreshments. The Fairfax Art League will offer a 10 percent discount on any artwork purchased over \$30 in December. www.fairfaxartleague.com.

"The Big Bad Musical." 12 p.m. the SPACE Performing Arts Center, Old Town Plaza, 3950 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax. Acting for young people. www.visitfairfax.com.
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MONDAY/DEC. 6

Sparks The Rescue, Amely and You, Me & Everyone We Know. 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

TUESDAY/DEC. 7

Chad Stokes (of State Radio) & Friends. 8 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

Flutopia. 8 p.m. at George Mason University Concert Hall, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. With flute students from Mason's School of Music and area high schools. Free. 703-993-8898.

THURSDAY/DEC. 9

Alex Dezen and Courtney Kaiser. 7:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

FRIDAY/DEC. 10

Waverly Consort's "A Christmas Story." 8 p.m. at George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. In the spirit of the medieval church dramas and mystery plays, eight singers and five instrumentalists play reproductions of medieval instruments. \$21-\$42, youth through grade 12 half price. Tickets available at 888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu.
Voce Chamber Singers: Home for Christmas. 7:30 p.m. Fairfax Christian Church, 10185 Main St., Fairfax. Christmas carols, classical and contemporary holiday music.

\$23 adults, \$18 seniors, \$8 for age 24 and under. Tickets at the door an additional \$2. Purchase at www.voce.org/tickets or 703-277-7772.

Bonita Lestina Concert Series. 8 p.m. at Old Town Hall, 3999 University Drive, Fairfax. The Colombia Flute Choir "Celebrating the Season." www.visitfairfax.com.

SATURDAY/DEC. 11

Synergy Brass Quintet: "Christmas in Brass." 8 p.m. at George Mason University Center for the Arts, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax. Brass arrangements of Bach's choral works, Handel's triumphant "Messiah" and a selection of classic Christmas carols. \$22-\$44, youth through grade 12 half price. Tickets available at 888-945-2468 or cfa.gmu.edu.

Lopez Studios, Inc. Annual Christmas Concert. 2:30 p.m. Jammin' Java, 227 Maple Ave. E., Vienna. jamminjava.com.

Encore Theatrical Arts Project: "Santa Got Frostbite." 12 p.m., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. at Northern Virginia Community College Ernst Theatre, 8333 Little River Turnpike, Annandale. Christmas chaos and fun for the whole family in a Broadway-style, song and dance holiday spectacular. Tickets \$18-\$21. bonnielhobbs@gmail.com.

Fairfax County TalkStories. 3 p.m.-5 p.m. at Pohick Regional Library, 6450 Sydenstricker Road, Fairfax. Sam and Shirley DiBartolo and Larry and Mary Mark on heritage from Italy and Denmark and the history of St. Mary's Catholic Church.. With the Burke/West Springfield Senior Center Without Walls. corazonfoley@yahoo.com.



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GIFTS & GIVING

Gift Fair Raises Money for Non-Profits

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tion, said Food for Others first benefited from the giving circle's generosity four years ago, when Strup and other leaders offered to give the proceeds from their annual Empty Bowls supper, in which area artists create bowls and patrons purchase the bowls and a gourmet soup dinner.

The event was so successful that when the giving circle organized a gift fair two years ago, Food for Others "gladly took them up on their offer."

"Food for Others will again be represented at the fair this year offering two virtual gifts," Rice said. "For \$15, Food for Others will provide one gallon of milk and one dozen eggs for four families in need. For a \$35 donation, Food for Others will provide a box of nonperishable food items for a family facing an emergency."

Food for Others distributes food to families in need across Northern Virginia free of charge, she said. "A donation to us is a great gift idea because the recipient will truly understand the gift and how it will be used. Everyone understands the basic need for food and the suffering caused by the lack of this most basic of human needs."

Another way to help families in need is to support Helping Hungry Kids, an organization that provides packages of food to underserved children in Reston in the form of backpacks handed out over weekends, holidays and breaks from school. Children are given enough food for one child for a weekend: two breakfasts, one package of hot chocolate, two lunches, two dinners, two fruit cups, three snacks, one carton of organic 2 percent milk and a 100 percent juice box.

Sandy Amato, a coordinator for the group, said she first learned of the Giving Circle of Hope in 2008 as part of the Empty Bowls event.

"I managed the kitchen for the event and had such a great time that I've done it for each of the successive Empty Bowls events," Amato said. Helping Hungry Kids is among the newer projects for the Giving Circle, she said.

The reputation of the Giving Circle "boosts our credibility and helps us in our own fundraising and food collection," Amato said, and the group also provides grants for food drives and promotion of the organization among the Giving Circle's members.

During the Alternative Gift Fair, shoppers will be able to support Helping Hungry Kids through the purchase of a food package for \$10, which will purchase a weekend food package for one child, or for a donation of \$25, which will provide a case of prepared

pasta or rice dinners, Amato said.

"A Helping Hungry Kids donation is wonderful for elementary school children because it directly benefits children their own age and is a great way to help them understand that there are others less fortunate, and that the community benefits by supporting its own members," Amato said.

Lynn O'Connell is executive director of Computer CORE, an organization that helps low-income adults receive technological and skills training to help them secure jobs.

"Simply put, CORE is about jobs, for the unemployed and the underemployed in our community," O'Connell said. "Our intensive basic Microsoft Office training combined with our life skills and job-seeking assistance components were developed with the goal of helping Northern Virginians find a job, launch a career and become self-sufficient."

O'Connell first learned of the Giving Circle of Hope in 2005, before she became involved with Computer CORE.

"In 2008, Computer CORE received its first grant from the Giving Circle, to launch our mentoring program," she said. "In 2009, the Giving Circle of Hope provided funding to open a new classroom in Fairfax County. Then in 2010, the Giving Circle of Hope has helped to fund CORE's partnership with Northern Virginia Community College, which gives CORE students the opportunity for enrollment at NOVA and seven credits for the work they do at CORE."

Adults who receive job training from

Computer CORE have largely gone on to secure well paying jobs, earning \$9 per hour to start and commonly increasing to between \$14 and \$15 per hour,

and furthering their education, O'Connell said.

"For each \$1 CORE receives, we leverage that cash gift with \$2 through in-kind donations and services," she said. "We have been selected as one of the best small charities in the Metro area for the second time with the Catalogue for Philanthropy. And, most importantly, a gift of \$10, \$20 or \$50 will have significant long-term impact. Our



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At least 25 non-profit organizations will be on hand for this year's Gifts that Give Hope Alternative Gift Fair, at which patrons can either make a gift donation in the name of a friend or loved one or purchase a tangible gift, all of which profit non-profit organizations that help the underserved or needy in Fairfax County.

program not only teaches skills, but helps our students launch careers, earn a livable family wage and break the cycle of poverty."

Meagan Ulrich, executive director of the Jeanie Schmidt Free Clinic, said the Giving Circle of Hope has been helping the clinic for years.

THE CLINIC was founded in 2002 by Jeanie Schmidt, a nurse in Herndon, "who identified the critical need for free school physicals among low-income residents," Ulrich said. Adult services were added in 2005 and in 2007, the clinic moved into its own facility. Earlier this year, the clinic moved to a new center called Connections for Hope, which allows for more partnerships with other non-profits in the same space, like Reston Interfaith, Vecinos Unidos, Literacy Council of Northern Virginia, Fairfax Community Services Board and Just Neighbors. The people served by the clinic are at 200 percent or under the federal poverty level, Ulrich said, and have no medical insurance and are not eligible for Medicaid benefits.

The Giving Circle of Hope provides support for projects run through the clinic like community outreach, volunteer outreach and casework for patients in need, Ulrich

said.

"We have a local direct impact on the health of the community," she said. "Ninety-six percent of all funds received by the clinic go directly to patient care."

Kari Galloway is the executive director of Guest House, a transitional housing program for women who are trying to make a living for themselves after being released from jail or prison.

"In addition to the residential facility, we now also have an aftercare program which allows the women coming out of residential additional case management support for another six to nine months, on average, as well as an outreach program that likewise offers case management services to women who either don't want residential, if they are caring for children or parents, or cannot get in for some reason," she said. "We have a long waiting list for our 10 beds."

The Giving Circle of Hope helps to fund the outreach programs and allows Guest House the ability to have a presence at the Alternative Gift Fair. "One thing I really appreciate about the Giving Circle is that members don't just give money to charities such as ours, but they also volunteer at the organizations for events or wherever the organizations might have a need," Galloway said.

In addition to being able to make a donation, patrons at the gift fair will also have the opportunity to purchase jewelry made by the women who have received assistance from Guest House.

Marga Fripp said that for every dollar donated to her group, Empowered Women International, \$0.97 is returned to "artistically talented low-income immigrant, refugee and other women in need" who can work to support themselves, their families and their communities through making and selling crafts and hand-made goods.

During the gift fair, EWI will be selling locally made and handcrafted silk scarves, jewelry, note cards, art glass and bath products, making the fair a "perfect opportunity for people to learn more about our work, hear our women's stories and purchase gifts that change people's lives."

In 2006, EWI received a \$5,000 grant from the Giving Circle of Hope in support of entrepreneurial training, business coaching and support services, Fripp said. "They believed in our work from the beginning and support our life-changing programs for women ever since."

NBA Is One Way, Overseas Another

Former GMU star Gabe Norwood lives out basketball dream in the Philippines.

BY PAUL TOMASELLI & RACHEL JOUBRAN
THE CONNECTION

Growing up, most basketball players have the same dream, which is to make it to the NBA. They want to be like Mike — Michael Jordan the greatest basketball player in history. They want to shoot like Larry Bird, they want to be in highlights like the “Human Highlight Reel,” Dominique Wilkins. They want to fly like Julius Erving. They want to dominate like LeBron James. Throw assists like Los Angeles Lakers great, Earvin “Magic” Johnson.

Gabe Norwood had this same NBA dream. Unfortunately, the NBA is not for everyone. For the George Mason University communications alumni, Norwood decided to take another route and play overseas in the Philippine Basketball Association, known as the PBA.

Picking up his first basketball at age 5, Norwood found his love for basketball at a young age. He played ball regularly at the YMCA and even got the nickname “Magic” after one of his favorite players. Norwood saw his love develop more and more for basketball even though he had to move a lot during his childhood. He went from Hawaii, Arizona, Virginia, Maryland, Texas, Pennsylvania and back to Virginia. Although he moved regularly, he made sure he took his basketball with him. Norwood played a couple hours a day, watched basketball regularly on television and also collected basketball cards.

ALTHOUGH HIS father was a defensive football coach, and currently the defensive



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Gabe Norwood

coach at Baylor, he supported Norwood everyday with his basketball dreams. He drove his son to every basketball game and was his backbone and support. Norwood went to four different high schools in three different states. His senior year he played at State College Area High School in Pennsylvania, where his team won the state championship. As a result of his reputation, George Mason University Coach Jim Larranaga kept a good eye on Norwood’s basketball career and offered him a full scholarship to play at George Mason University in 2003.

Norwood spent four good years at Mason and graduated in 2007.

The highlight of his college career was making the Final Four in 2006. Although making the Final Four is any college player’s goal, Norwood’s primary aspiration was to play in the NBA, but to his dismay was not even looked at for the league.

“I think it was my biggest setback,” he said. “I think I got content with playing a role in college, without really challenging myself and my game. Don’t get me wrong, I worked hard, but it was just me not ex-

panding my game because what I did for four years at Mason seemed to be good enough for us to win.”

Little did he know that scouts from the Philippines came to Indianapolis to watch him play in a clinic during the Final Four. Norwood’s media exposure allowed his audience to recognize that he had Filipino blood in him because his mother was half Filipino. Norwood learned that he met the basic criteria to play in the Filipino league.

IN 2008, Norwood was the first overall pick in the PBA Draft. He had the best season compared to any rookie and was named 2008-09 Rookie of the Year. He additionally won the Slam Dunk contest that same year. Evidently, his game adapted quickly to overseas rules and so did his persona.

Basketball is extremely popular in the Philippines, therefore his popularity grew as well as his celebrity status. Media coverage is similar to the NBA’s with pre-game, post-game write-ups, guest appearances and magazine features.

Norwood adapted quickly and everyone speaks the basic English language, so com-

“I think I got content with playing a role in college, without really challenging myself and my game.”

— Gabe Norwood

munication was not a barrier. He has used his communications skills to help him build confidence when speaking to the media. It also helped him with commercials he has done and other speaking engagements. Norwood is also endorsed by Nike, and was part of the WNIKE radio show in Manila a couple summers ago.

“I want to try to get into broadcasting while I’m here,” Norwood said. Broadcasting could be his life after basketball.

Norwood’s immediate goal is to win a championship in the PBA. “We have a talented team and need to be consistent this year,” he Norwood about his team. His future goals include continuing to get better and expanding his game. He does not know where that will take him, but he knows that he controls his own destiny.

Norwood’s contract expires in August. He does have a strong feeling that his team would look to resign him. His agent is constantly looking on opportunities stateside, but until something comes up, Norwood plans to stay in the Philippines. He always wanted to be in the NBA, but says that the Philippines have filled in that void easily.

Although Norwood misses his family and friends stateside, he has created a great fan based network and has strong management team to keep him on his toes.

“NBA might not be for me, but PBA is just as good,” Norwood said. “I will continue to be the ‘President.’” This nickname was coined by Filipino journalist Quinito Henson to Norwood because of his basketball dominance and because he resembles President Barack Obama.

the top spot in the 100-fly, and Cole was part of the Eagles’ winning 400-free relay.

Mike Cannon, a three time All-American wrestler, has committed to be a Guest Clinician at Paul VI Catholic High School in Fairfax for the 2010-11 wrestling season. Last year, while competing for American University, Cannon finished third in the nation in his weight class.

The Panthers of Paul VI, under head coach Tom Healy, are coming off a successful season of a year ago when they finished second in the Washington Catholic Athletic Conference (WCAC) before taking third place at the Virginia State private school championships. For more, to to thealy@paulvi.net.

WEEK IN SPORTS

The Braddock Road Youth Club’s (BRYC) Elite, a U12 girls’ travel soccer team, completed a remarkable fall season by beating Maryland’s top teams at the Bethesda Thanksgiving Tournament last weekend. The Elite, the top-ranked team in Virginia and ninth ranked team nationally, finished the fall season with a 28-1-1 record.

At the Thanksgiving Tournament, the Elite won games over the Baltimore Lady Hawks, Arundel Azzurri, and Bethesda Soccer Academy in group play, then bested the Parkville Cobras in the championship game to claim their third consecutive tournament victory.

Over the course of the fall season, BRYC won four of five tournaments and was undefeated in regular season play of the Washington Area Girls Soccer

League (WAGS). Overall, the team had 28 wins, one loss — the setback coming in the championship game of the OBGC Capital Cup — and one draw. They scored 117 goals and allowed only 11. The team is currently ranked first in Virginia and ninth nationally by soccerincollege.com.

“We’re fortunate to draw very talented and motivated soccer players from throughout Northern Virginia,” said coach Jim Abt, who played soccer at James Madison University and has coached for 25-plus years at the club, high school, and collegiate levels. “I’m very proud of our accomplishments this past season and look forward to competing in WAGS’ first division next spring.”

Earlier in the fall, the Elite, following a WAGS tournament title over the Columbus Day Weekend, competed at the renowned CASL Shootout Series in Raleigh, N.C. In

the finals, the Elite defeated Florida’s top-ranked 12-under team, First Coast Academy, by a 2-0 score. On the way to that championship game, Braddock Road also defeated premier clubs from southern Virginia, North Carolina, and Georgia.

University of Mary Washington (Fredericksburg) swimmers Josh Rhodes (Chantilly High) of Fairfax, Austin Clark of Springfield, Peter Slattery (W.T. Woodson) of Annandale, Billy Norfolk (Chantilly High) of Fairfax, and Andrew Cole (McLean High) of Falls Church, each made positive contributions for the Eagles men in a 160-87 home victory over Frostburg. Rhodes was part of Mary Washington’s winning 200-medley relay team. Clark, meanwhile, won the 200-free competition, Slattery took first in the 100-breaststroke, Norfolk took

GIFTS & GIVING

Collecting Canned Food

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Food for Others provides food for families in need in the local area, and most of the recipients live in Fairfax County. With the tough economy taking a toll on so many people, the donations from Paul VI are really a godsend to the organization.

"The Paul VI food drive is, far and away, the biggest food drive we get," said Reinert. "Hopefully, the non-perishable food we get during the holidays will last us all year."

"I speak at a lot of schools about hunger and homelessness in our community, and it's wonderful to see kids recognize how good they have it and want to share it with others. I always tell kids the food they've collected is going to families just like theirs who live in their neighborhood and there are always people here waiting for food."

Under Katie Grim, assistant director of Student Life and student government moderator, the 13 members of the student government executive board oversee the project and class officers help with the can collection, each morning. There's also a competition between the school's 54 advisories (home rooms), plus three teams of faculty and staff members, to see who can bring in the most cans.

"Roughly 1,000 people participate in the food drive," said junior Brendan Muha, PVI vice president. "We started planning it in September. We try to improve it from year to year, and Food for Others tells us the target foods it needs."

This year, it was tuna, peanut butter and cereal. On "Target Thursday," Nov. 18, said Grim, "the kids brought in a ton of that stuff. The generosity was remarkable."

The advisory winning the in-school competition got to go off-campus for lunch. "But the kids don't focus on the prize," said senior Leah Utley, the student body president. "They do it to help Food for Others. Often, the recipients have to choose between putting gas in their cars or feeding their kids. So we want to bring in as much food as we can for our neighbors and people in our county to have the best lives they can."

"Because we're a Catholic school, it's also important to us because Jesus ministered to those in need and told people to do unto others as you'd have them do unto you," said Utley. "So we know that, if we were in the same situation, our brothers and sisters in Christ would come to our aid, too."

During the can drive, Mary Krolicki, freshman class co-president, wore a Campbell's tomato soup costume. "It's an SGA tradition that usually a freshman SGA member wears it while standing in the carpool

Because Thanksgiving isn't just about the thanks. It's also about the giving."

— Mary Krolicki

eating theirs, too," said Miller.

"Because Thanksgiving isn't just about the thanks," said Krolicki. "It's also about the giving."

Growing up in Fairfax County, said Muha, "People think we don't realize the needs here, so a service project like this gives students the opportunity to appreciate what they can do, individually, for those in need."

Utley said their visit to Food for Others "brought it home to us and also gave us a deeper appreciation for what we have and for those who may be ignored by society because they don't have all these benefits. You realize they did nothing to be in the position they're in and we should share our bounty with them."

Reinert said some of the students were freshmen when PVI decided to raise money to purchase a huge, walk-in freezer. But during their visit, they saw and even entered it. And, she said, "They were able to see the results of their work, volunteers sorting all the food they'd collected."

Grim was also pleased. "I'm really proud of the students and the school," she said. "Everybody came together as a united front to fight hunger in Fairfax County."

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Faith Alexandra Hayden and James Thomas Garber

February Wedding for Hayden, Garber

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Hayden of Port Tobacco, Md. are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Faith Alexandra Hayden of Washington, D.C., to James Thomas Garber of Falls Church, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas T. Garber of Spotsylvania County, Va.

Faith Hayden is a 2000 graduate of McDonough High School in Pomfret, Md. In 2004, she received a B.A. from Loyola College, Baltimore, Md. She is currently a graduate student at Johns Hopkins University in nonfiction writing. She is a journalist for EyeWorld, a science magazine, located in Fairfax.

James Garber is a 1999 graduate of Courtland High School, in Spotsylvania County, Va. He received a B.A. degree in 2003 from James Madison University. He earned an M.A. degree in American history from George Mason University and is currently a Ph.D. student at Mason. He is a historian with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Headquarters, Washington, D.C.

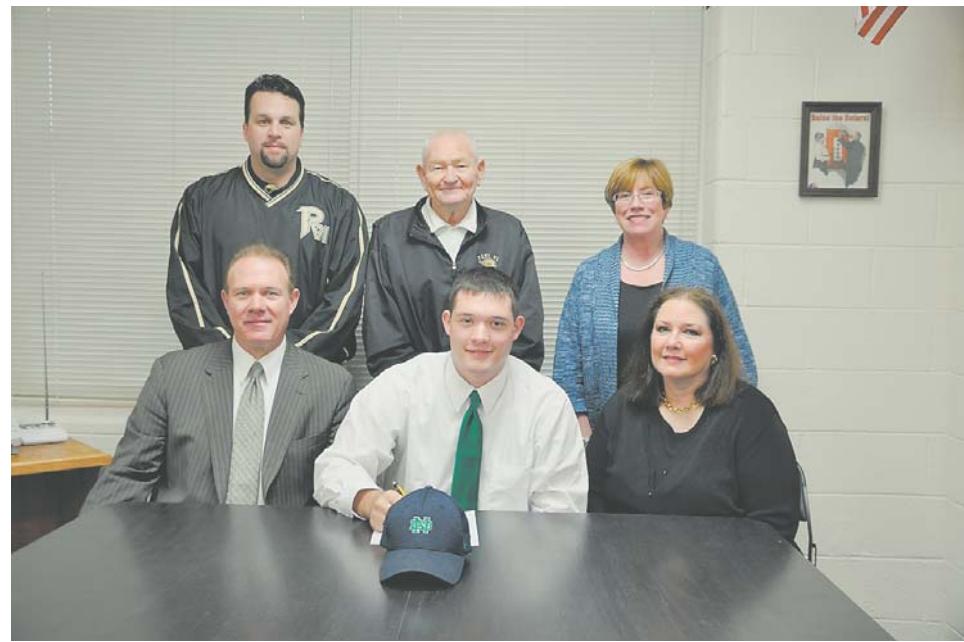
James Garber is a former resident of Centreville. He is the grandson of Faye Louise Burton Wood and the late James Franklin Wood of Centreville. A wedding is planned for Feb. 19, in Washington, D.C.



Pictured are, first row, John Wolf, debate coach Claudia Wolf, judge Julie Wolf and freshman Daniye Bartell; and, second row, vice-president Alejandro Calderon, president Maria Barrios, senior Kyle Gorak, and senior Matt Gandolfo and freshman Bryce Kidwell.

First Place at First Event of Season

The Debate Team from Paul VI Catholic High School placed first in its first competition this season in the Washington Arlington Catholic Forensics League on Oct. 16. Twenty-two teams competed at the varsity level at the event at Yorktown High School, with Paul VI's biggest competitors being Walt Whitman, Thomas Jefferson and Gonzaga. PVI students junior Alejandro Calderon and senior Maria Barrios placed first in the varsity competition with total speaker points of 108 out of a possible 120, winning four of four rounds. Paul VI won over Gonzaga by one point.



PVI's Tyler Wingo Signs with Notre Dame

Tyler Wingo of Fairfax, a senior at Paul VI Catholic High School, recently signed to the golf team at the University of Notre Dame. Wingo was the 2008 and 2010 VA Catholic State Champion and the 2009 WCAC Champion. He was named 2009 and 2010 First Team All Met and in 2010 was an AP Scholastic All American. Wingo is ranked #39 in the country by Golf Week Magazine. To date, Wingo has achieved a 4.54 grade point average at PVI and is a member of the Student Ambassadors, National Honor Society, Peer Mentors and the National Spanish Honor Society. Wingo is pictured with his parents Craig and Betty Lou Wingo, Athletic Director Billy Emerson, PVI Golf Coach Milt Papke and Principal Ginny Colwell.



The PVI Pep Band, under the guidance of Jan Siegfried, played as the Official High School band for the Oct 24 Army 10 Miler in Washington, D.C.

Pep Band Serenades 10-Miler Runners

The Pep Band from Paul VI Catholic High School in Fairfax recently played as The Official High School Band for the U.S. Army 10-Miler, which took place Sunday, Oct. 24, in Washington, D.C.

Celebrating its 26th year, the Army 10-miler is the largest 10-mile race in the Western Hemisphere and draws Olympic hopefuls from all over the world. This year's race drew 30,000 runners to the nation's capitol, and reached tens of thousands Americans stationed abroad with simulcast video-feeds and concurrent races.

Washington, D.C.'s weather was near-perfect as PVI musicians performed at the 6-mile point to the passing 30,000 runners. Bystanders reported that the band could be heard as far as 3 blocks away with rousing renditions of "The Hey Song," "Rocky" and "Don't Stop Believin."

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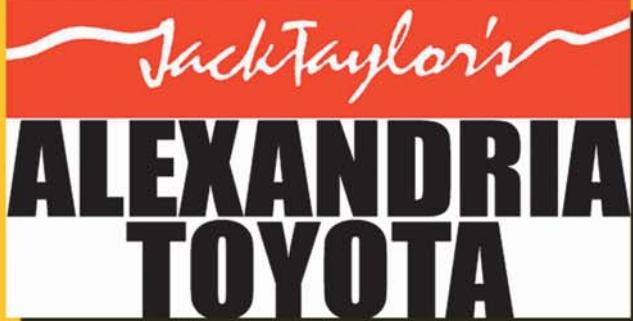
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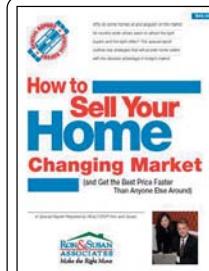
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