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**VFW Post 609 Commander Bill Jones presents a tribute of thanks to Boy Scout Troop leader Wade Harvey. Harvey has been troop leader of 680 for the past eight years and is stepping down. For the past six years, Harvey has had his troop of scouts volunteer to prepare the cemetery for Memorial Day.**



**Boy Scout Troop 680 member Patrick Martin achieved the Eagle Scout rank this year and is congratulated by VFW Post 609 Commander Bill Jones.**



## Remembering

**T**he Boy Scouts of Troops 614 and 680 participated in the annual tradition of placing flags in front of each of the 5,000-plus markers at the Alexandria National Cemetery on Saturday, May 28.

PHOTOS BY LOUISE KRAFFT/GAZETTE PACKET



**Scouts from Troops 614 and 680 listen as U.S. Army Staff Sergeant John Houston directs them in caring for the new flag.**

## Partnership Hits \$170,000 Target

**Collaborative effort saves programs at Hollin Meadows Elementary.**

BY GERALD A. FILL  
THE GAZETTE

### How It Adds Up

Funding for the Science and Math Focus Program:  
\$93,000 Parents, faculty, community, local business partners.  
\$10,000 Hollin Meadows PTA  
\$67,000 Fairfax County Public School Grant for Priority School Funding for Math Component  
**Total: \$170,000**

**H**ollin Meadows Elementary School PTA President Chris McNamara presented a check for \$10,000 to Principal Jon Gates at the May 26 PTA meeting attended by approximately 100 parents, teachers, and students. The PTA contribution brought the total raised by the Partnership for Science and Math and the PTA to \$103,000.

In addition the application within the school system by the school leadership and PTA to sustain the achievements in math as a designated Priority School Initiative program was approved. The

result? A public school grant award of \$67,000, thus helping to meet the overall financial goal of \$170,000 established last fall to save the science and math focus program and the school garden initiative which has been widely recognized for its innovative role in advancing student achievement.

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## The Six-Year Defect

**Long-awaited dream of widening Richmond Highway is put on back burner again.**

BY GERALD A. FILL  
AND MICHAEL LEE POPE  
THE GAZETTE

the Route 1 corridor so transit can be added to the median.

"My concern is without money set aside now we will be facing further delays in completing the centerline study in the near future," said Del. Scott Surovell (D-44). "What is needed now, not next year or the year after, is to set aside funds in the six-year plan for a centerline and environmental assessment study for that portion of Route 1 from Woodlawn to

**T**he Commonwealth Transportation Board's six-year plan may be more famous for what's not in it than what the proposal leaves out. Hundreds of residents in Mount Vernon have petitioned members of the board to include a "centerline study" for Richmond Highway, an effort to determine which parcels of land will need to be acquired to widen

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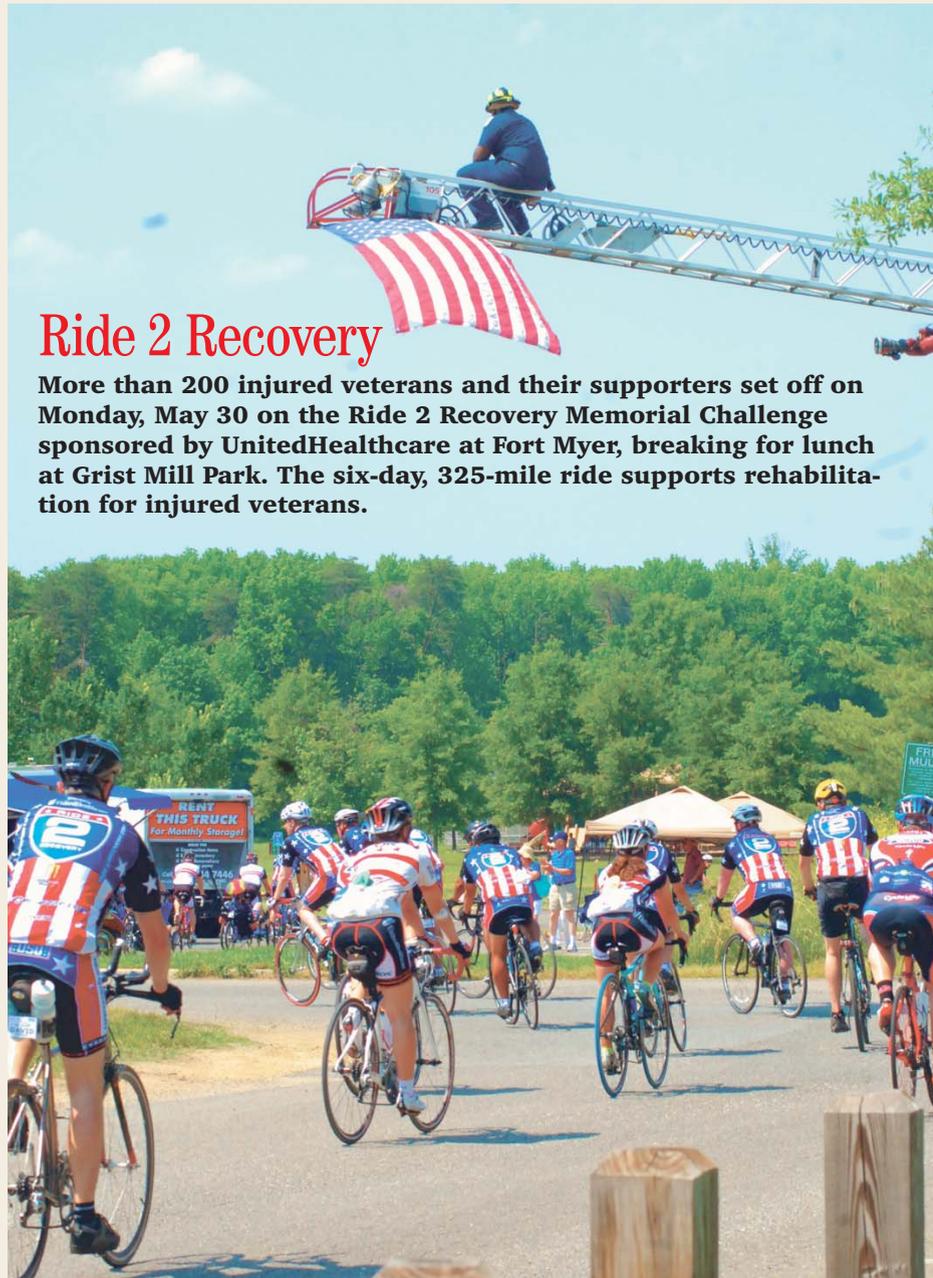
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## Ride 2 Recovery

More than 200 injured veterans and their supporters set off on Monday, May 30 on the Ride 2 Recovery Memorial Challenge sponsored by UnitedHealthcare at Fort Myer, breaking for lunch at Grist Mill Park. The six-day, 325-mile ride supports rehabilitation for injured veterans.

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USO volunteers help hand out food to veterans as they arrive at Grist Mill Park on Memorial Day.



Tatyana Baugh pets Chance as she chats with veteran cyclist Chadd Depner as he rests at Grist Mill Park.

# Hispanic Leadership Alliance Honors Five Scholars

Funds aim to make dreams possible.

BY CD BROWN  
THE GAZETTE

The Hispanic Leadership Alliance, whose mission is to promote an understanding of Hispanic culture, awarded college scholarships to five Latino high school students May 23 at a banquet held at El-Tio Restaurant in Falls Church.

"It's a rigorous application process," said HLA's president Idi Duncan. "We serve kids who show that they're driven."

The Alliance, created in 1997 by a group of educators from Fairfax County Public Schools, looks at a student's academic achievements, volunteerism and career goals.

All of the award-winners have GPAs above 3.5. Some have found their life's purpose. Some have worked 40 hours a week while

still going to high school. All want a better future.

"I would work from 4 p.m. to 11 p.m., get home around 12 p.m. or 1 a.m., then have to get up at 6 in the morning to catch the train and bus to get to school," said Noe Mendez Toji, recipient of the Humberto Moore Cruz scholarship named after the son of HLA's secretary Jane Cruz. Toji came to America alone, not knowing any English. Within a few years he managed to finish high school and adult education classes at Woodson Adult High School. He wants to become a History teacher: "I love history. World War I, World War II." Recounting his journey Toji said, "It hasn't been easy."

Similarly, take the case of Adrianna Chavez, whose father fled his homeland of El Salvador due to civil unrest to save his life. Chavez tells the story of how her father had to leave everything behind, eventually bringing his family to America with a dream of becoming an accountant. Today, that goal is being realized through his daughter. In

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Members of the Mount Vernon Hispanic Leadership Club with mentor and parent involvement coordinator Sandra Costa (third from right). Adrianna Chavez and Juilo Cruz (center) are the 2011 scholarship recipients.

# Collaborative Effort Saves Programs at Hollin Meadows

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“This is a tremendous achievement,” said McNamara. “It’s a testament that the community as a whole greatly values Hollin Meadows and its programs. It is also a powerful example of what can be achieved when a community comes together to save one of its crown jewels — even during tough economic times.”

McNamara said there were many who gave countless volunteer hours. Included was Sue Bernstein, one of the original organizers of the Hollin Meadows garden and who also chaired the successful Gala fundraiser at the River Farm Horticultural Center. Also contributing to the overall effort was Diane Moery, chairman of the Hollin Meadows Partnership. Others praised the community, the faculty, and the array of local businesses who contributed to the effort.

Hollin Meadows Elementary School students ranked number one in math for the 2010 SOL test in all Cluster IV schools, and had the highest percentage passing rate in reading for all Title I schools. This despite



**Hollin Meadows Principal Jon Gates (left) receives a check from the HM PTA President Chris McNamara at the May 26 PTA Meeting**

the fact that the student body is made up of 47 percent economically disadvantaged families, and nearly 25 percent speak a first language other than English.

When Fairfax County Public Schools decided to phase out the focus group supplemental funding for science and math, Hollin Meadows parents formed the partnership fundraising effort and within less than a year raised sufficient money to offset the cuts and enable the focus group teachers in science and math to be rehired and, coupled with the gardening program, to continue their signature program for another year. The

school’s innovations and academic achievement have been recognized by the First Lady, Michelle Obama, who visited the school and garden, and then invited the students to the White House. Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack also visited the school. More recently the math program has been recognized as one of three elementary school finalists by Intel in a nationwide science and math competition at the elementary and secondary school level. The Intel winners will be announced in September in Washington, D.C.



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## MVCCA Addresses Attotink, Cell Towers

The Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations approved the following resolutions on May 28 as proposed by the Planning and Zoning Committee:

P&Z-2011-005: Resolution on the Attotink Village Comprehensive Plan Amendment: To allow a proposed Comprehensive Plan change for the Attotink Village that would permit a higher density mixed use redevelopment in the areas along Richmond Highway; require restoration of the resource protection area. Passed unanimously.

P&Z-2011-006: Resolution to Require a Special Exception for Cell Towers: To require a special exception permit on public property in residential zones. Currently special exception permits for telecommunications facilities in residential areas are only required on private property. The Board of Supervisors would have to revise the zoning ordinance to require a special exception permit in residential areas on public property to make this proposal a reality. Passed 20-0.

— GERALD A. FILL

## Widening Route 1 on Back Burner — Again

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the Alexandria line.”

To that end, Surovell has organized a petition. Hoping to capitalize on widespread unhappiness with the traffic-clogged corridor, the delegate says he has already collected more than 400 signatures. Support for funding the centerline study has come from far and wide, including signatures from residents outside of his district. Now that the Commonwealth Transportation Board is finalizing its six-year plan, neighborhood associations and elected officials are pressing for funding.

“No matter what is or isn’t in the CTB plan if there is no money then nothing will happen anyway,” said Mount Vernon District Supervisor Gerry Hyland.

**FOR MANY YEARS**, people in Mount Vernon have dreamed of widening Route 1 and adding transit to the median. Earlier this year, state Sen. Toddy Puller (D-36)

introduced a resolution to the General Assembly that requests the Department of Rail and Public Transportation to evaluate the level of study that would be necessary to identify potential public transportation services from Alexandria to Fort Belvoir. Yet no source of funding was identified for the study, so the potential lack of support from the Commonwealth Transportation Board strikes some as a double whammy.

“Route 1 has been placed on the backburner once again,” said Kahan Dhillon, chairman of the strategic planning committee of the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations. “This leaves Route 1 revitalization with a big question mark next to it.”

During a recent public hearing of the Commonwealth Transportation Board, members were pressed for funding specific line items in Mount Vernon. Catherine Voorhees, chairwoman of the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations, recommended that the six-year plan include wid-

### Drawing the Line

Where is the center of Richmond Highway? That’s an important question for the future of Fairfax County’s largest commercial corridor, although it’s not one that will be answered anytime soon. A six-year-plan now under consideration by the Commonwealth Transportation Board does not include funding for a centerline study, a necessary prerequisite for adding transit to the traffic-clogged Route 1 corridor. Determining the center of the future Richmond Highway would be particularly important considering land acquisition that will be needed for widening the highway and adding transit to the median.

ening of Route 1 from Fort Belvoir to Route 235 south, widening Sherwood Hall Lane to Janna Lee Road and establishing a road-maintenance program for the area.

“I was shocked and disappointed to listen to [Fairfax County Board of Supervisors Chairwoman Sharon Bulova’s] remarks in which she recommended no projects for the Route 1 corridor in Fairfax County,” said Voorhees.

# CRIME

Activities reported by the Mt. Vernon police department through May 27.

## ROBBERY

**A man robbed a 46-year-old employee** of the 7-Eleven store, located at 3100 Lockheed Boulevard, around 1:15 a.m. on Friday, May 20. The man approached the employee inside the store, brandished a gun and demanded cigarettes and cash. The employee complied and the suspect fled with the items. The victim did not require medical treatment. The suspect was described as a heavy-set, black male, about 5 feet 8 inches tall. He was wearing a white, short-sleeved shirt with

horizontal black stripes, a black stocking cap and dark-colored pants.

## BURGLARY/ ARREST

**Police arrested a 14-year-old boy** for his alleged involvement in burglarizing a home in the 7700 block of Eagle Avenue around noon on Friday, May 20. The suspect was released to his parents and charges are pending. Police continue to investigate.

## ROBBERY

**Two men robbed an 18-year-old man** around 4:35 p.m. on Friday, May 20 in the 3800 block of Maury

Place. The suspects were described as black. One suspect was about 6 feet 2 inches tall, with an average build and curly afro puff hair; he had on a baseball cap. The second suspect was about 5 feet 7 inches tall, with an average build. Both suspects were wearing dark-colored clothing. The victim was taken to a local hospital with non life-threatening injuries.

## ROBBERY

**A man robbed a 57-year-old man** outside of his home in the 6300 block of Chimney Wood Court around 10:30 p.m. on Friday, May 20. The

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## NEWS

# Join Operation Walk Virginia

5K Race and 1 mile fun run to benefit knee and hip replacements in developing countries.

**O**peration Walk Virginia is hosting its 2nd annual 5K race and 1 mile family fun run/walk on Sunday, June 5.

Operation Walk Virginia is a not-for-profit volunteer medical organization that provides free knee and hip replacements for people in developing countries who don't have access to these technologies. Their goal is to enable these people to walk pain-free and thus regain their independence.

All the proceeds from the race will go to sending the Operation Walk Virginia surgical team to Nicaragua. Last year, the money raised at the race enabled the team to do work in Guayaquil, Ecuador where they were able to give 48 joints to 38 people.

Jackie Wavelet, a clinical nurse specialist at Inova Mount Vernon Hospital, was a member of the Operation Walk team that went to

## More

### OPERATION WALK VIRGINIA

8:00 a.m. Sunday, June 5  
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Ecuador last year and she will be going to Nicaragua this year. She describes the experience as "pretty incredible. When you see the results, it's humbling," adding, "It makes you cry at the end of the day; makes you count your blessings."

The team, in conjunction with Inova Mount Vernon Hospital, also participates with Operation Walk America. They work to provide knee and hip replacements to local citizens without insurance coverage.

To register or learn more, visit [www.opwalkvirginia.org](http://www.opwalkvirginia.org) or contact Jackie Wavelet at 703-664-7670.

— MAYA HOROWITZ

## Pool Concession Building Fire

Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department units responded to a structure fire at 7000 Canterbury Lane, Monday, May 30, at approximately 1:30 a.m. The building housed concessions for the Little Hunting Creek Swimming Pool.

Firefighters encountered heavy fire and smoke upon arrival of the approximately 30-by-70-foot building. Firefighters brought the fire

under control in approximately 30 minutes. Approximately 50 percent of the building was destroyed, including all contents. There were no injuries.

Damage is estimated at \$87,000.

According to fire investigators, the cause of the fire is undetermined. However, the origin of the fire was near a steel shelving unit containing electrical components.

## CRIME REPORT

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suspect was described as black, about 20 years old and 6 feet tall. The victim did not require medical attention.

### GRAND LARCENY/ POSSESSION OF BURGLARIOUS TOOLS/ ARREST

**Police arrested a man for stealing** items from the Target store located at 6600 Richmond Highway, around 9:45 a.m. on Friday, May 20. Daron Doleman, 37, of Glen Burnie, MD, was charged with grand larceny and possession of burglarious tools.

### MALICIOUS WOUNDING

**A 21-year-old man was stabbed** in the 8300 block of Richmond Highway around 4 p.m. on Sunday, May 22. The suspect and victim are known to each other and the investigation continues. The victim was transported to a local hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

### LARCENIES

**5800 block of Blaine Drive.** iPad stolen from school.

**4300 block of Cedarlake Court.** Two Smartcards stolen from vehicle.

**8400 block of Frye Road.** Beer stolen from business.

**9400 block of Macklin Court.** License plate stolen from vehicle.

**2500 block of Parkers Lane.** Purse stolen from vehicle.

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**6600 block of Richmond Highway.** Bicycle stolen from business.

**6600 block of Richmond Highway.** Clothing stolen from business.

**7700 block of Richmond Highway.** Purse stolen from vehicle.

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# OPINION

## Together, We Can Make an Impact

Susan G. Komen Global Race for the Cure takes place on June 4 on the National Mall.

BY NANCY G. BRINKER

For nearly three decades, millions have walked or run to honor a loved one and to both raise awareness and funds to fight breast cancer — both for those battling the disease today and those who may be impacted in the future. This bold statement of unity has given hope to millions and has helped fuel critical investments in breast health programs and cutting-edge research that is saving lives every day.

We can be proud of how far we've come. And we can be proud of the work that we do in communities everywhere. What started out as 800 women walking around a shopping mall in Dallas, Texas has grown to include more than 1.5 million people walking or running in more than 140 Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure events worldwide. People are walking in Richmond and Rome; Cleveland and Cairo. It has truly become a global movement.

All this walking has paid off too. In the U.S., we have entered into a new era of awareness, early detection and personalized medicines. This new era is saving lives and providing hope of one day putting an end to the suffering for good.

Yet for all of our successes, this hope is not universally shared. In capitals across the globe, women and their families do not yet fully understand this disease or appreciate the benefits of early detection. In many communities,

health care systems are unable to adequately screen or treat the disease.

Here too, in the communities surrounding our nation's capital, many women do not fully understand the disease and are often confused about the importance of early detection. Many women still struggle to get off work or find the time to navigate a fragmented health care system that sends them far from home or work for screenings and doctor's appointments — especially if they are under or uninsured.

Together, we can make an impact, both right here and abroad. On June 4 on the National Mall, we will host the 22nd running of the Susan G. Komen Global Race for the Cure. Up to 75 percent of all the funds raised by the Komen Global Race will stay right here to help local women in our community.

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The rest will go to support our efforts to share the lessons we have learned educating low-resource women in the U.S. with women in low-resource countries of Asia and Africa and Latin America. And let me be honest, we have a lot of work to do.

Over the past two decades, we have invested more than \$28 million in education and outreach programs in the National Capital Area. These investments are increasing awareness and improving the care women in our region receive. We've had some great successes. In Montgomery County, Md., for example, we have helped to reduce mammography wait times from 100 days to five days, and we have cut the wait between diagnosis and treatment nearly in half. In many instances, this improved efficiency not only increased patients' chances at survival, it also likely reduced the cost of treatment by starting at an earlier, less costly stage.

Yet we are far from satisfied. Despite our success in raising awareness, women diag-

nosed with breast cancer in Washington, D.C., are still more likely to die from the disease than women in the rest of the country.

Awareness is not enough. Women need to truly understand breast cancer, including how it's detected and treated. We find that myths and misconceptions are still widespread. Many women are afraid of screening, thinking it is painful and that a cancer diagnosis equals a death sentence.

The region's overly fragmented health care system also produces substantial barrier to accessing care for major segments of the population. Many women cannot access affordable screening because there is too little funding for programs that provide free and low-cost mammograms.

These women face economic and transportation barriers that keep them from seeking help. We need to make it easier for women to take good care of themselves.

Thanks in large part to the funds raised last year, we're investing \$4.5 million this year in local programs to increase breast health education and to break down barriers to accessing care. Through these grants, we're reaching more women, elevating their understanding and teaching nurses and doctors how to more effectively serve this incredibly diverse population. And we're leading an effort to get the system to work together, in a more efficient and effective manner, so that women don't fall through the cracks and treatments aren't needlessly delayed.

While we've come a long way, we are not yet at the finish line. We must keep running. Will you join us?

*Ambassador Nancy G. Brinker is the founder and C.E.O. of Susan G. Komen for the Cure. The 22nd Annual Susan G. Komen Global Race for the Cure will be held June 4 on the National Mall. For more information or to register, visit [www.globalraceforthecure.org](http://www.globalraceforthecure.org)*

### LETTER

## Now It's Up to Park Authority

To the Editor:

The proposal of Westgrove PACK (PACK) to designate an open grassy area of Westgrove Park as an off-leash dog area (OLDA) on an interim basis, pending completion of master planning of the park, has been in the hands of the Fairfax County Park Authority (FCPA) staff for some time now. I understand this issue will be coming before the FCPA's Planning & Development committee next week.

From the start, PACK's proposal has been a "no-brainer." The issues have only been unnecessarily complicated by a small cadre of "activists" who think they know better than the rest of us how things should be done and what should



PHOTO BY LISA RICHARD

**CROP Walk** Several hundred people participated in the 2011 CROP Hunger Walk in the Mount Vernon area Sunday, May 15. Starting at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, walkers from tots to seniors, sponsors, organizers, safety people, and pets enjoyed the afternoon to raise funds for the Church World Services as well as UCM and New Hope Housing.

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# OPINION



## A Thank-You Workshop

Members of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) club at Carl Sandburg Middle School and their advisor, Twyla Banks, presented a Technology Potpourri Workshop on May 19 to some members of the Stratford Woman's Club to thank them for their monetary donation to the computer lab. The Stratford Woman's Club supports local activities each year. Banks and her students believe in giving back to their community and they provided the workshop to share their knowledge and to thank the women for the donation which allowed items from the lab's wish list to be purchased.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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be allowed to occur in our public lands. To be blunt, their credibility is highly suspect, mainly due to their penchant to claim they represent a group when, in fact, they only represent themselves and their personal views.

Let's tally up the support for PACK's proposal and the opposition. In support: Supervisor Hyland, the MVCCA, over 500 petition signers, and virtually all if not all of the closest adjacent communities including Westgrove, Belle Haven, Belle View, New Alexandria, Montebello, Hollin Hall Village, Villamay, Wellington and others by virtue of their votes in favor of the MVCCA resolution.

In opposition, a handful of "activists." Let's look at a few of them. One is the representative to the MVCCA's Environment & Recreation (E&R) committee from River Towers. She vocally opposed PACK's proposal including proposing a resolution in opposition that was voted down by the E&R committee. PACK twice requested a meeting with the River Towers Board and received no reply. The River Towers Board has not made public any official position concerning the issue.

Another opponent to the proposal is the representative to the E&R committee from the Tauxemont community and is also an official of the Friends of Dyke Marsh and the local chapter of the Audubon Society among others. She strongly opposed PACK's proposal and I understand continues to lobby against it behind the scenes. I am unaware of the Tauxemont community taking an official position on the issue.

Kathi McNeil from the Friends of Huntley Meadows Park is another opponent. I've heard her opposition at meetings including at one of the task force meetings at which the candidates for Mount Vernon Park Authority representative were questioned.

Another opponent is Mount Vernon's representative to the county's Tree Commission. She vocally

opposed PACK's proposal during at least one E&R meeting and at the MVCCA Council meeting at which its resolution was approved, she proposed amending the resolution to restore a fence requirement that was removed during E&R committee deliberations. The fence requirement for an interim use was considered by proponents to be a "deal killer." I note that PACK's proposal doesn't raise any tree-related issues. The area proposed for the OLDA is totally grassy and I understand would not be an appropriate place for trees to be planted.

If the PACK proposal clears the FCPA's Planning & Development committee, it will go before the FCPA Board for a vote. There, we have two residents of the Mount Vernon District. Our new Park Authority representative Linwood Gorham has been performing ably in his new position and has expressed his support for PACK's proposal. Harrison Glasgow is an at-large member of the FCPA Board and its vice-chairman. In that role, he exerts significant influence but he has not said publicly how he would vote on PACK's proposal. With the PACK proposal supported by our supervisor, the MVCCA, virtually every adjacent community and over 500 petition signatories, it would seem to be logical that Mount Vernon resident Glasgow could be counted on for support. Not necessarily. He also serves on the Tree Commission with our Mount Vernon tree commissioner and on the Board of Friends of Huntley Meadows Park with Ms. McNeil, two vocal opponents of the PACK proposal.

To you Mr. Glasgow: I and other responsible residents of Mount Vernon, including but not limited to the supporters listed above, request your support of PACK's proposal. As a Mount Vernon District resident, it is important that you support a request that has such overwhelming support from your own community.

**H. Jay Spiegel**  
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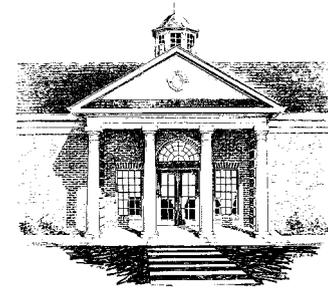
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In between performances, the Burgundy Farm theatre director Deborah Clark Ives calls for volunteers to improvise a selected scene from "Hamlet." Rising to the challenge were Katherine Conner, Kent Jenkins, William Anderson, Mae Hunt and Barbara Peisch.

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Matthew Evans, William Driver and Eddie Perez lay wounded on the field after the Battle of Agincourt as King Henry V, Alex Collins, visits the survivors.

## All The World's A Stage

Three adaptations of plays by William Shakespeare were performed earlier this year by area students at Burgundy Farm.

"The Tempest" was, in the students' words, "a story a bit like middle school; it starts with a hurricane, a domineering parent, some risk-takers, some conspirators, adults making mistakes, first love, power corrupts, alpha girl scheme and some characters are 'schooled.' There is also magic and, in the end, freedom."

An original score was composed by students Ian Lloyd and Perry Conner.

The Boy Players of StagePlay Productions — Alex Collins, William Driver, Dan and Matthew Evans, Carson Meadows, Eddie Perez, James Woods and Josh Turner — performed "A Little Touch of Harry in the Night" (Henry V with flash-



Matthew Evan and Josh Turner appear on stage as travelers in a scene from "A Little Touch of Harry in the Night."

back scenes from Henry IV Part One).

The third play, also scenes from "The Tempest," was performed by The Holy Trinity Festival Company. The cast included Christoph



Alex Collins as King Henry V and Eddie Perez as Poin.

von Muenchow Pohl, Liam Kirkpatrick, Lily McQueen, John Blaire, John Hagerty and Peter Morrell. The Ariel Chorus consisted of Fiona Ellsworth, Kate and Maggie Fletcher,

Lena Gancie, Mikaela Glass, Grace Kehoe, Kelly Mann, Kaitlin Miller, Samantha Roy and Erin. Will Ervin provided the Burden, Sprites, Wind and Sea, Hounds and Mariners.

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**Two new Girl Scout troops** are meeting at the Creekside Village community center

after school on Monday afternoons — Troop 716 and Troop 922. The Brownie and Junior troops meet together on the second and fourth Mondays of the month. The troop members are working on the "Write All About It" badge and plan to earn the "Looking My Best" badge as well as the "Theater" badge. The Girl Scouts also hope to go camping this spring. Contact troop leader Kathy Lehner at [kathy.lehner@gmail.com](mailto:kathy.lehner@gmail.com).

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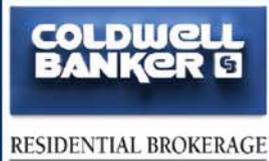
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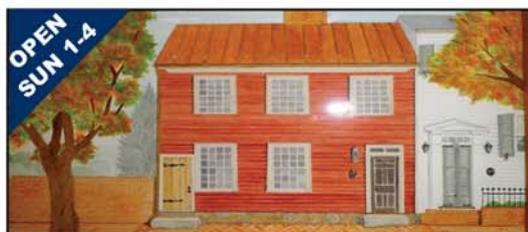
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**River Towers** \$310,000  
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 Bonnie Rivkin 703-598-7788



**Stratford Landing** \$535,000  
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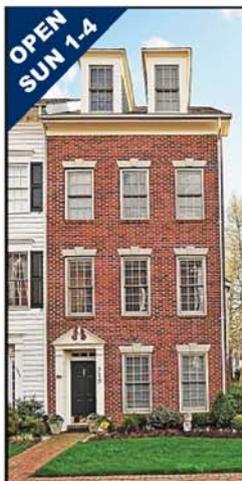


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# HOME SALES

In April 2011, 104 homes sold between \$918,000-\$61,000 in the Mount Vernon area. This week's list represents those homes sold in the \$918,000-\$355,000 range. For the complete list, visit [www.ConnectionNewspapers.com](http://www.ConnectionNewspapers.com)

Address	BR	FB	HB	Postal	City	Sold Price	Type	Lot	AC	Subdivision
8141 STACEY RD	5	4	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$918,000	Detached	0.50	TINKLE A H		
3912 RIVE DR	5	3	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$899,000	Detached	0.97	BELLE RIVE		
1911 WINDSOR RD	4	2	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$832,500	Detached	0.48	BELLE HAVEN		
7123 PARK TERRACE DR	5	3	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$775,000	Detached	0.33	VILLAMAY		
9416 MACKLIN CT	4	2	2	ALEXANDRIA	\$770,000	Detached	0.50	BELLE RIVE		
8518 BUCKBOARD DR	6	3	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$740,000	Detached	0.31	RIVERSIDE GARDENS		
6205 FOXCROFT RD	5	3	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$735,000	Detached	0.34	BELLE HAVEN		
7707 RIDGECREST DR	4	3	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$723,500	Detached		WELLINGTON		
8310 RIVERSIDE RD	5	2	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$689,500	Detached	0.29	RIVERSIDE		
3425 SUNNY VIEW DR	4	4	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$650,000	Detached	0.40	SUNNY VIEWS		
6026 WOODMONT RD	3	2	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$635,000	Detached	0.21	BELLE HAVEN		
6423 15TH ST	3	2	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$615,000	Detached	0.24	NEW ALEXANDRIA		
1807 ROLLINS DR	4	3	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$605,000	Detached	0.25	BUCKNELL MANOR		
9316 HEATHER GLEN DR	4	2	2	ALEXANDRIA	\$600,000	Detached	0.34	MT VERNON GROVE		
2504 TORON CT	4	2	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$560,000	Detached	0.28	MILWAY MEADOWS		
1900 COURTLAND RD	3	3	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$527,500	Detached	0.29	HOLLINDALE		
8413 CONOVER PL	4	2	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$525,000	Detached	0.24	WAYNEWOOD		
8826 CAMFIELD DR	3	2	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$525,000	Detached	0.28	POTOMAC VALLEY		
5609 QUAKER LN	5	3	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$519,000	Detached	0.21	BURGUNDY VILLAGE		
8304 BOUND BROOK LN	4	2	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$485,000	Detached	0.33	RIVERSIDE ESTATES		
8405 CHERRY VALLEY LN	4	2	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$480,000	Detached	0.30	RIVERSIDE ESTATES		
7916 NEW MARKET RD	4	2	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$475,000	Detached	0.24	HOLLIN HALL VILLAGE		
2506 RYEGATE LN	4	2	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$475,000	Detached	0.25	STRATFORD LANDING		
4504 NEPTUNE DR	4	2	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$470,000	Detached	0.50	YACHT HAVEN EST		
1012 CROTON DR	3	1	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$460,000	Detached	0.25	WAYNEWOOD		
8424 WASHINGTON AVE	3	2	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$455,000	Detached	0.42	MT ZEPHYR		
8714 BRADDOCK AVE	4	3	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$441,000	Detached	0.25	MT VERNON ESTATES		
8409 WAGON WHEEL RD	4	2	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$433,000	Detached	0.25	RIVERSIDE ESTATES		
3807 TOWANDA RD	3	2	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$430,000	Detached	0.31	BURGUNDY FARM		
8601 WASHINGTON AVE	4	2	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$430,000	Detached	0.43	MT ZEPHYR		
7009 POLINS CT	3	3	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$422,500	Detached	0.25	HUNTLEY		
2922 HUNTINGTON GROVE SQ	4	2	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$419,999	Townhouse	0.04	HUNTINGTON GROVE		
7010 VANTAGE DR	4	2	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$417,500	Detached	0.26	STONEBROOKE		
8901 BEAUCHAMP DR	4	3	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$415,000	Detached	0.51	SULGRAVE MANOR		
6801 MOON ROCK CT	4	2	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$412,500	Detached	0.23	STONEBROOKE		
4338 ROLLING STONE WAY	4	2	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$406,000	Detached	0.20	STONEBROOKE		
8215 COOPER ST	4	2	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$405,000	Detached	0.30	TIMOTHY PARK		
8400 WASHINGTON AVE	5	2	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$400,000	Detached	0.42	MT ZEPHYR		
5814 WYOMISSING CT	4	3	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$391,000	Vacation Home	0.06	BERKSHIRE		
3607 RANSOM PL	3	3	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$390,000	Townhouse	0.03	HUNTLEY MEADOWS		
7539 GREAT SWAN CT	3	3	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$388,750	Townhouse	0.03	GROVE AT HUNTLEY MEADOWS		
5713 GLENMULLEN PL	4	3	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$385,000	Detached	0.34	BURGUNDY FARM		
1705 TRENTON DR	3	1	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$385,000	Detached	0.24	HOLLIN HALL VILLAGE		
8011 JACKSON RD	3	1	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$383,500	Detached	0.23	HOLLIN HALL VILLAGE		
2757 CARTER FARM CT	3	3	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$380,000	Townhouse	0.04	HUNTINGTON AT MT VERNON		
8646 MOUNT VERNON HWY	3	2	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$368,800	Detached	0.33	MOUNT VERNON HILLS		
5904 MOUNT EAGLE DR #906	2	2	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$360,000	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors		MONTEBELLO		
2451 MIDTOWN AVE #1215	2	2	0	ALEXANDRIA	\$355,000	Hi-Rise 9+ Floors		MIDTOWN ALEXANDRIA STA		

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# Old Town Greens... The Road Less Traveled

**703 Arch Hall Lane** faces a lovely green area. With 4 beds/3.5 baths, this delightful home features the modern family room/kitchen combination area that is open, welcoming and practical. This cheerful home is bathed in natural sunlight, and creates a light and airy feeling when you enter. The kitchen features upscale appliances and is as lovely as it is functional. The walk-out lower level is home to the large recreation room. For more information and photos, visit [www.703ArchHall.com](http://www.703ArchHall.com).  
**Listed at \$834,000.**

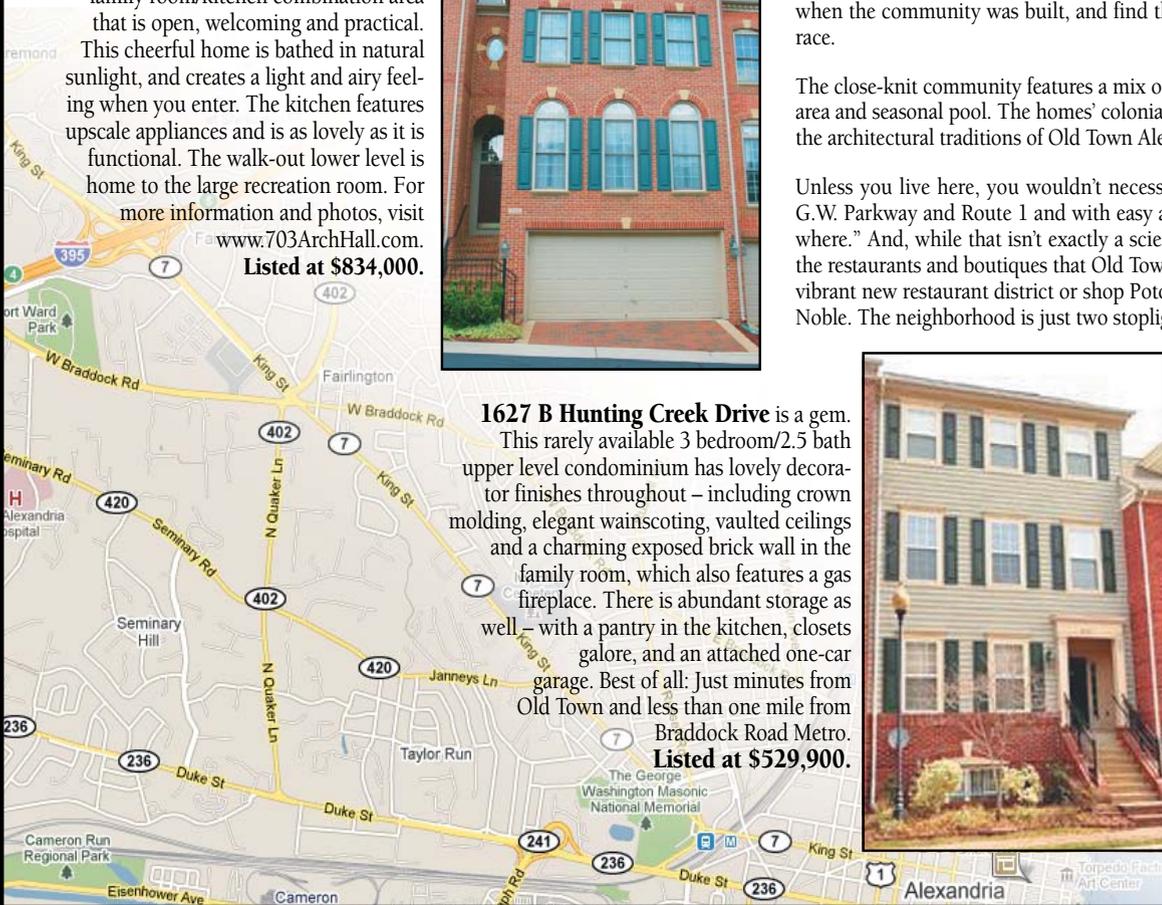


**1627 B Hunting Creek Drive** is a gem. This rarely available 3 bedroom/2.5 bath upper level condominium has lovely decorator finishes throughout - including crown molding, elegant wainscoting, vaulted ceilings and a charming exposed brick wall in the family room, which also features a gas fireplace. There is abundant storage as well - with a pantry in the kitchen, closets galore, and an attached one-car garage. Best of all: Just minutes from Old Town and less than one mile from Braddock Road Metro.  
**Listed at \$529,900.**

The road less traveled often brings us to pleasant surprises and hidden gems. This is certainly the case with Old Town Greens, one of Old Town Alexandria's best-kept secrets. The community of under 300 homes has the feeling of a small oasis. Entering Old Town Greens from Slater's Lane or Potomac Greens Drive, most visitors are struck by the immediate welcoming quiet, the neat landscaping and the feeling that you've been transported "away from it all." Many residents have lived there since 1999 when the community was built, and find that this friendly community provides them with a nice refuge from the every day rat race.

The close-knit community features a mix of condominiums and townhomes, anchored by a welcoming greenspace, a nice picnic area and seasonal pool. The homes' colonial-style facades not only never go out of vogue, but create a wonderful continuity with the architectural traditions of Old Town Alexandria.

Unless you live here, you wouldn't necessarily understand the convenience of this neighborhood. Being nestled between the G.W. Parkway and Route 1 and with easy access to both, residents often marvel that they seem to be "five minutes from everywhere." And, while that isn't exactly a scientific measure, residents do note that within five minutes driving, they can enjoy all the restaurants and boutiques that Old Town and Del Ray have to offer. Within ten minutes driving, one can enjoy Crystal City's vibrant new restaurant district or shop Potomac Yard and the convenience of Target, Best Buy, Staples, Pet Smart and Barnes and Noble. The neighborhood is just two stoplights from the District and less than a mile from the Braddock Road Metro.



The larger townhomes of Old Town Greens were built by local builder NV Homes in 1999 and 2000. The condominiums were constructed by Centex Homes during the same time period. Laura Biederman of Long & Foster Realtors in Old Town Alexandria is currently showing 2 homes in this beautiful community: 1627 B Hunting Creek Drive and 703 Arch Hall Lane. Both have stately curb appeal and are immaculate and impeccably maintained. Each is spacious and features lovely outdoor spaces and practical floor plans that make the most use of available space. For the money, whether you are looking at condominiums or townhomes, it's hard to find this much space (and a garage) in Old Town Alexandria.



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Alexandria, Virginia 22314.  
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**202-309-1350**

# PEOPLE

**Army Spec. David A. Lampen** has graduated from Basic Combat Training at Fort Sill, Lawton, Okla. Lampen is the son of David A. Lampen of Oxpen Court, and Mary Ellen Flaherty of Polins Court, both of Alexandria. He graduated in 2004 from Thomas Jefferson High School, Alexandria, and received a bachelor's degree in 2008 from the University of Virginia, Charlottesville.

## MILITARY NOTES

**Air Force 2nd Lt. Andrew G. Boston** has entered into the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Md., as a first-year medical student of a four-year program. He is the son of Ronald A. and Barbara L. Boston of Cameron Station Blvd., Alexandria. The lieutenant received a bachelor's degree in 1999 from the U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.

**Air Force Airman 1st Class David M. Mayfield** graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. He is the son of Holiday Cordua of Greentree Ave., Madera, Calif., and Gary Mayfield of Pearson Lane, Alexandria. Mayfield graduated in 2004 from Madera High School, and received an associate degree in 2008 from Fresno City College.

**Air National Guard Airman 1st Class Caitlin E. Noah** graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. She is the daughter of Melissa Noah of Providence Drive, Lawrenceville, Ga., and Don Noah of Manor Road, Alexandria. Noah is a 2008 graduate of Brookwood High School, Snellville, Ga.

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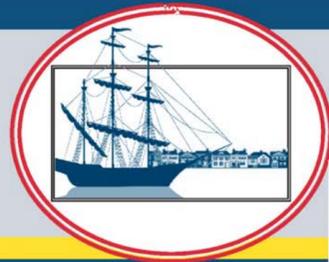
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**8723 Bluedale St**  
\$540,500  
**Super Value!**  
Great price for large 5 bedroom home in prime Stratford location. Many features include: high ceilings in major rooms, gorgeous hardwood floors, eat-in kitchen and separate dining room. Finished LL with 2 bedrooms, family room with masonry FP and direct outside entrance. Ideal floor plan for home office. Large deck overlooks fabulous level lot. OPEN SUN 6/5, 1-4! Dir: GW Parkway S, R-Stratford Ln; L-Camden St; R-Bluedale.

**8705 Yardley Dr**  
\$530,000  
**Redecorated Inside and Out!**  
One of Stratford Area's Best Values! The wallpaper is gone-the interior is freshly painted. Numerous special features include: great room with exceptionally large window wall, eat-in kit with gas cooking, large master suite with private deck, finished LL family room with FP, magnificent grounds and private backyard. OPEN SUN 6/5, 1-4! Dir: GW Parkway S; R-Stratford Lane; L-Camden Street; R-Wittington Blvd; L-Yardley.

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AnitaVida D'Antonio 202.460.1809  
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**4503 Ferry Landing Rd**  
\$625,000  
**One Level Luxury - No Stairs!**  
Rare opportunity-Spacious one lvl home on gorgeous lot in premier Yacht Haven location! This special home has been updated and offers many fabulous features: open floor plan, updated kitchen and baths, stunning master suite w/cathedral ceiling and luxury bath, sunroom and 2 car garage. If you are looking to eliminate stairs & not sacrifice size and luxurious amenities-this is it! OPEN SUN 6/5, 1-4! Dir: GW Parkway South, Past Estate, Left on Ferry Landing Rd.

**1205 Cedar Dale Ln**  
\$1,250,000  
**Pre-Construction Value!**  
Rare new home opportunity just off GW Parkway! Fabulous price on spacious Fairfax model by Wakefield Homes, the area's leading custom builder. Craftman architecture with full front porch to enhance natural beauty of gorgeous 1/2A lot. Home is loaded with upgrades and custom features and located in Waywood School Dist. Priced thousands below other new homes in area! (Pic is similar home)

**1907 Rampart Dr**  
\$655,000  
**Stunning Addition!**  
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David Okonsky 703.585.5268

**2205 Basset St**  
\$694,500  
**Total Renovation!**  
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**4408 Tarpon Ln**  
\$598,000  
**Yacht Haven-Near River!**  
Spacious four level home has been meticulously maintained. Absolutely gorgeous half acre lot within walking distance of clubhouse and river in this fabulous waterfront community. Both home and grounds are in exceptional condition. Significant upgrades include luxurious baths, hardwood floors and much updating throughout. Unique opportunity to be near water at reasonable price.

**4502 Phylliss St**  
\$565,000  
**Huge Home - Little Price!**  
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## THEATER

# Theater Wraps Up First Season in Artisphere

**Washington Shakespeare Company offers three plays in repertory.**

BY BRAD HATHAWAY  
THE GAZETTE

There are three plays being performed at the Artisphere on different nights in a repertory presentation by the theater company in residence in the black box theater — the Washington Shakespeare Company. None are by Shakespeare.

Since two are short plays presented together, you can see all three in two nights. All three are rich in language and in the uniqueness (or, some would say, strangeness) of the principal characters.

Some nights you can watch the battle between a young upstart and an experienced pro in the fight for scoops among reporters covering a civil war in an African nation where freedom of the press is a concept foreign to the powers that be. The tale is told in the distinctly British language of one of



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Abby Wood and Jim Jorgensen in "Night and Day."

the masters of contemporary dramatic dialogue, Tom Stoppard, who uses intelligence, wit and an ear for language to explore issues of journalistic standards and the role of the press in contemporary affairs.

Stoppard's play, "Night and Day," directed with flair by Kasi Campbell, takes place in a house where the reporters vie for the assistance of the wealthy homeowner and then of a notable houseguest — the president of the country who might either give an exclusive or order an execution.

All evening the lights shift rapidly between sunlight and moonlight to signal the distinction between when the action is taking place in some semblance of reality and the moments of commentary by the wife of the homeowner played with aplomb by Abby Wood who has her own way with a quip.

The experienced reporter is played by Jim Jorgensen, who also has a fine delivery style for the clipped conversation so typical of Stoppard. But it is in the focus of his eyes as he listens to the other characters that he intensifies the tension of his scenes.

Contrasted with Jorgensen's sense of assurance as the experienced reporter is the youthful Tyler Herman, who offers energy and vitality as the freelance reporter hoping to make a name for himself. Also notable is the work of Chuck Young as the country's president who toys with the reporters for his own enjoyment before getting down to doing what he feels is necessary to advance his own cause against the insurgents in the civil war.

On another night you can catch two one-act plays on the same set, but now the locale is distinctly the southern extremes of the United States and the voice has the unmistakable twang of one of America's premiere playwrights, Tennessee Williams. Two different directors guide the different halves of the evening.

First up is Lynn Sharp Spears whose handling of "Portrait of a Madonna" highlights two very good performances in key roles. The principal role is of a woman whose hold on sanity has been slipping for a long time and whose landlord has finally faced the fact that he'd have to call in the staff of the local asylum. The woman, often seen as a prototype for



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Emily Webbe and Mundy Spears behind Karin Rosnizek in "The Gnädiges Fräulein."

William's later creation, the famous Blanche DuBoise of his masterpiece, "A Streetcar Named Desire," is played by Annetta Dexter Sawyer with touching dignity even as she descends into delusions not just of grandeur but of rape and sexual subjugation.

In addition to Sawyer's solid work as the addled "Miss Lucretia Collins," there is a subtle performance by Slice Hicks as the porter in the residential hotel that is no longer going to tolerate the woman's excesses. He's gentle and compassionate while seeing to his duty, taking care to respect her dignity and insisting that his subordinate, an elevator boy sent to help him, do so.

The Washington Shakespeare Company pairs "Portrait of a Madonna" with "The Gnädiges Fräulein" (a German phrase that is a complimentary way of saying young Lady). It is a one-act play from late in William's career when he experimented with absurdist concepts. It is a work that requires the sure hand of a director capable of steering a talented cast through the turbulent shoals between troubling abstraction and simple silliness. After all, absurdist theater is supposed to shine a light on the absurdity of real life without itself being absurd beyond acceptance.

In Jay Hardee, the company has a director capable of finding that balance, and as a result, this strange short play almost makes it to the end before it wears out its welcome from an attentive audience. Still, when the novelty and humor of absurdity wear thin and you can't figure out what the plot is about, it is difficult to care what is going to come next.

The strength of some of the performances helps make the second half of this two-play evening memorable. Mundy Spears is par-

### Where and When

The Washington Shakespeare Company's productions of "Night and Day" alternating with "Portrait of a Madonna" and "The Gnädiges Fräulein" plays at the Black Box Theatre in the Artisphere in Rosslyn. Performances are Thursday - Sunday at 7:30 p.m. with matinees on Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$25 to \$35. Call 703-418-4808 or log on to [www.washingtonshakespeare.org](http://www.washingtonshakespeare.org).

ticularly sharp as one of two women who seem to have the strongest, if tentative hold on reality. She's a gossip columnist covering the southern-most community in the southern-most state in the nation, a key called Cocaloony — with an emphasis on the name's last two syllables. Emily Webbe is the other sort-of-normal person in the cast, the landlady of a strange boarding house where we meet the mostly-blindfolded fräulein herself (Karin Rosnizek) who has gone into competition with the Cocaloony bird (Karin Abromaitis) for the fish in the sea, while Indian Joe (Jame Finley) races around in a loin cloth and a border (Kim Curtis) makes most of his points by jumping up and down in place.

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Annetta Dexter Sawyer and Slice Hicks with Bob Sheire in the background in "Portrait of a Madonna."

# ENTERTAINMENT

## EVERY THURSDAY

**Environmental Activists Needed.** 6 to 9 p.m. Clean up your community, your country, your planet — meet with the Sierra Club at its new NOVA Hub in Del Ray, 2312 Mount Vernon Ave., Suite 206, Alexandria. RSVP to Phillip Ellis, Sierra Club Field Organizer at 571-970-0275 or phillip.ellis@sierraclub.org.

## NOW THROUGH OCT. 30

**Civil War Walking Tour.** Saturdays and Sundays 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Covers the changing role of African Americans on the estate, views on George Washington from the perspective of Union and Confederate supporters, and the Washington-Robert E. Lee connection. At Historic Mount Vernon. These tours are limited in capacity and cost \$5 in addition to Estate admission: \$15 adults; \$7 children (6-11); free for children 5 & under. Visit [www.MountVernon.org](http://www.MountVernon.org) or call 703-780-2000.

## THURSDAY/JUNE 2

**“Go to Jail” for MDA.** 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. More than 200 business and civic leaders will be “arrested” and put behind bars as their friends will post “bail” to get them released. Fund-raiser for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. At the Sheraton Suites Old Town, 801 North Asaph St., Alexandria.

**Dog Days of Summer.** 6 to 8 p.m. ‘A Show of Hands’ will celebrate Del Ray’s ‘Dog Days of Summer’ themed First Thursday by partnering with pet photographer Jeanne Taylor as she takes candid shots of pets and their people. At A Show of Hands, 2301 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria.

## FRIDAY/JUNE 3

**Jazz Extravaganza.** 7 to 9 p.m. Free. Future of jazz is presented with young artists from the T.C. Williams High School, Minnie Howard Ninth Grade Center, George Washington Middle School and Francis C. Hammond Middle School Jazz Ensembles. At Charles Houston Recreation Center, 901 Wythe St., Alexandria. Call 703-746-5451.

**Meade Skelton.** 8 to 10 p.m. At St. Elmo’s Coffee Pub in Del Ray, 2300 Mount Vernon Ave., Alexandria. Call 703-739-9268.

**Theater Night Fundraiser.** 7 p.m. An evening of theater, hors d’oeuvres, and a silent auction. Tickets are \$40/advance; \$50/door. Hosted by King Street Cats. Visit [www.kingstreetcats.org](http://www.kingstreetcats.org).

**Theater Night Fundraiser.** 7 p.m. Tickets are \$40/advance; \$50/door. The event promises an enjoyable evening of theater, hors d’oeuvres, and a silent auction. Hosted by King Street Cats, a cat orphanage. At the Little Theatre of Alexandria. Tickets can be purchased by visiting [www.kingstreetcats.org](http://www.kingstreetcats.org).

## JUNE 3 AND 4

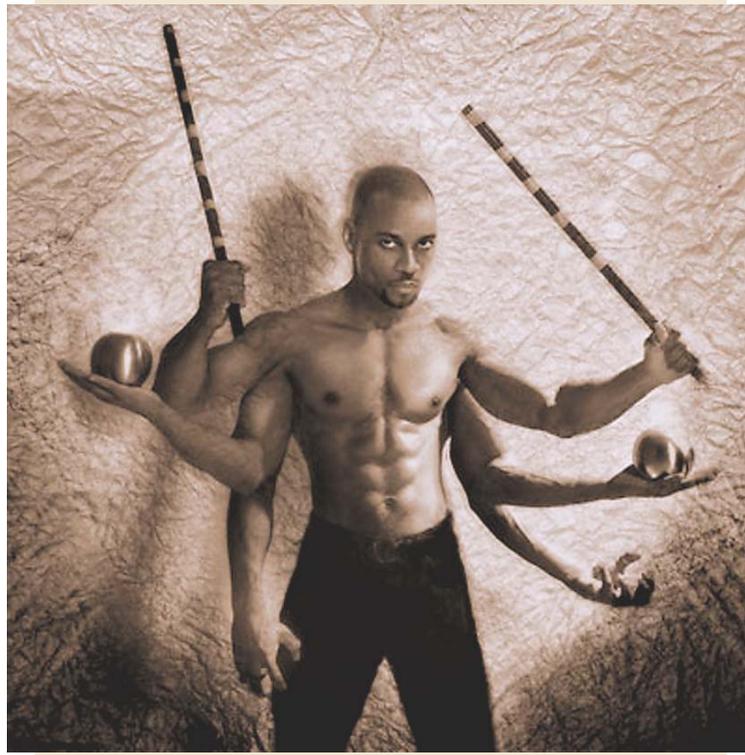
**“Peggy the Pint Size Pirate and Destination America Musical.”** Tickets are \$7. Performance times are Friday at 6:30 p.m.; and Saturday at 2:30 p.m. Presented by The Port Tobacco Players Theater, 508 Charles Street, Alexandria. Call 301-932-6819 or [www.ptplayers.org](http://www.ptplayers.org)

## SATURDAY/JUNE 4

**The Miracles.** 10 a.m. A choir of 24 musically-gifted adults with intellectual disabilities, sponsored by the Hermitage in Alexandria. Performing at Hermitage Senior Living, 5000 Fairbanks Ave., Alexandria. Call 703-797-3815.

**Book Making Workshop for Kids.** 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. With local artist, educator and author of children’s books, Sushmita Mazumdar. At A Show of Hands, 2301 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria.

**Waterfront Walk.** 9 a.m. Begins at the



## JUNE 4

**“The D.Y.A. Experience.”** 7 p.m. Demonstrate Your Art. Tickets are \$15/\$7.50 for ages 7-15; free for 6 and under. A fundraiser for the completion of a feature film featuring Derrick Nowlin of the same name. At the Lee Center in Alexandria. Visit [www.derricknow.com](http://www.derricknow.com).

bulkhead in Windmill Hill Park, 501 S. Union St., and continue north along the Waterfront to Oronco Bay Park. This year’s walk will review potential changes to the Waterfront core area outlined in the Waterfront Small Area Plan. The Waterfront Committee meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 a.m. in Room 2000 of City Hall, 301 King St.

Visit [www.alexandriava.gov/recreation](http://www.alexandriava.gov/recreation) or call Jack Broward, Division Chief, at 703-746-4343.

**Author Talk.** 1 p.m. Come and meet author Ted Pulliam talk about his book, *Historic Alexandria*. Free and open to the public. Call 703-746-1706. Alexandria Library Special Collections, 717 Queen Street, Alexandria.

**Alexandria Art Market.** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The market boasts amazing artwork from local artists, music from multicultural musicians and great food from local restaurants. At Colasanto Park in the heart of Del Ray. Free and open to public. [www.TheDelRayArtisans.com](http://www.TheDelRayArtisans.com) or [DRA.AlexandriaArtMarket@gmail.com](mailto:DRA.AlexandriaArtMarket@gmail.com).

**Cocker Spaniel Adoption Show.** 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come meet cockers of all ages available for adoption. Dogs are spayed or neutered. At Alexandria Hybla Valley Petsmart, 7690 Richmond Hwy. (U.S. 1), Alexandria. Call 703-533-2373 or visit [www.cockerspanielrescue.com](http://www.cockerspanielrescue.com).

## SUNDAY/JUNE 5

**Symphonic Coffeehouse.** 6 p.m. Bring the entire family for an evening of music in casual, relaxed setting. Music includes pops, classical, and movie themes. Suggested donation of \$8 for adults; children free. Drinks included, desserts for sale. At Mount Vernon Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Lane, Alexandria. Visit [www.mvuc.org](http://www.mvuc.org)

**Broadmoor Baptist Church High School Choir.** 3:30 to 5:45 p.m. At Market Square, 301 King Street, Old Town. Contact: Maureen Sturgill, [maureen.sturgill@alexandriava.gov](mailto:maureen.sturgill@alexandriava.gov), 703-746-5420.

**Taste of Del Ray.** 1 to 3 p.m. Some 15 restaurants will be serving up their best. Tickets are \$10/adult; \$5/children. At the lot behind the Virginia Commerce Bank, 2401 Mt. Vernon Ave. and E. Oxford. Participants will be able to vote for their People’s Choice Award until 2:45 p.m. The winner of both Judge’s Choice and People’s

Choice Awards will be announced at 3 p.m. Visit [www.visitdelray.com](http://www.visitdelray.com)

**Tea Tasting and Lecture.** 2 to 3:30 p.m. Admission is \$15. Carlyle House Historic Park will be presenting a tea tasting on the Magnolia Terrace. Program includes an historical overview of tea practices in the 18<sup>th</sup> century as well as tasting of various teas. At Carlyle House, 121 N. Fairfax Street, Fairfax.

**The Rodger French Trio.** Noon to 2 p.m. The Rodger French Trio is an eclectic blend of free reed instruments and electric guitar performing Jobim to Tango to Ellington, Gershwin and anything in-between and beyond. At Telegraph Station Café, 5737 Telegraph Road, Alexandria.

**Washington Metropolitan Philharmonic.** 3 p.m. Free. Pre-concert lecture at 2:15 p.m. At Bishop Ireton High School, 201 Cambridge Road, Alexandria.

**Mad Hatter Tea Party.** 3 to 5:30 p.m.



## SUNDAY/JUNE 12

**Razz-Ma-Jazz Children’s Arts Festival.** 2 to 4 p.m. Admission is \$5. At T.C. Williams High School. Focuses on music, art and literature of the Harlem Renaissance. Presented by the Alexandria Symphony Orchestra. Concerts are 30 minutes and start at 2:30 p.m. or 3:30 p.m. Other activities include an instrument petting zoo, face painting, yoga, art stations, and dancing and reading centers. At T.C. Williams High School, 3330 King St., Alexandria. Call 703-548-0885 or visit [www.alexsym.org](http://www.alexsym.org).



## JUNE 2, 4, 5

**Our Lives, Our Songs Concert.** A cast of 200 singers from Ft. Hunt, Hollin Meadows, Stratford Landing, and Waywood will perform at the West Potomac Choirs Spring Show. Tickets are \$12 and can be purchased online at [www.westpotomacchoirs.org](http://www.westpotomacchoirs.org). Performances are Thursday, June 2 and Saturday, June 4 at 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday, June 5 at 3 p.m.

Fundraiser for Annabelle Bozarth who was diagnosed with Morquio Syndrome at 6 months old. Tickets are \$60/adult and child. At The Windsor Room, 1755 Duke Street, Alexandria. Contact Stephanie Bozarth at 703-256-1980 or [stephbozarth@yahoo.com](mailto:stephbozarth@yahoo.com) to purchase tickets.

**Rocknoceros.** 4 p.m. Bring your children, grandchildren, friends and neighbors to sing and dance with the sell-out musical trio Rocknoceros. Tickets are \$10/advance; \$12/door. At Agudas Achim Preschool, 2908 Valley Drive, Alexandria. Contact [preschoolevents@gmail.com](mailto:preschoolevents@gmail.com)

**Family Tour Day.** 1 to 4 p.m. Special tours hosted by Junior Docents who will be stationed at each stop on the tour, including the taproom, bedchambers, ballroom, assembly room and dining room. At Gadsby’s Tavern Museum, 134 North Royal Street, Alexandria. Call 703-746-4242 or visit [www.gadsbystavern.org](http://www.gadsbystavern.org).

## MONDAY/JUNE 6

**Book Signing.** 6:30 to 8 p.m. Author Kelly Dorfman, “What’s Eating Your Child: The Hidden Connections Between Food and Childhood Ailments.” At Hooray for Books, 1555 King St., Alexandria. Call 703-548-4092.

## TUESDAY/JUNE 7

**Trash to Treasure.** 6 to 8 p.m. Historian Barb Winters discusses “How Trash in Massachusetts Turned Into Treasure in Alexandria.” She will discuss how six boxes of old handwritten letters from three inter-related families provided a unique first-hand description of life in Alexandria between 1817 and 1940. At Morrison House, 116 South Alfred Street, Alexandria. Call 703-838-8000.

## WEDNESDAY/JUNE 8

**Summer Concert Series.** 8 p.m. Free. The U.S. Air Force Band Concert Band and Singing Sergeants. At Hayfield Secondary School, 7630 Telegraph Road, Alexandria. Call 202-767-5658 or visit [www.usafband.af.mil](http://www.usafband.af.mil).

**DJ Dance Party.** 9 to 11 p.m. Admission is \$6. With DJ Dabe Murphy. At Nick’s Nightclub, 642 South Pickett St., Alexandria.

## THURSDAY/JUNE 9

**Vicki Genfan in Concert.** 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10. Part of the Second Thursday Music. At The Athenaeum, 201 Prince Street, Alexandria. Call 703-548-0035 or visit [nvfaa.org](http://nvfaa.org).

**Music at Twilight Concert.** 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. With the Alexandria Singers. At Fort Ward Park Amphitheater, 4301 W. Braddock Road, Alexandria. Contact: Special Events, [maureen.sturgill@alexandriava.gov](mailto:maureen.sturgill@alexandriava.gov), 703-746-5592.

## FRIDAY/JUNE 10

**Alexandria Citizens Band Concert.** 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. At Market Square, 301 King St., Old Town Alexandria. Contact: Special Events, [maureen.sturgill@alexandriava.gov](mailto:maureen.sturgill@alexandriava.gov), 703-746-5592.

## SATURDAY/JUNE 11

**Kathy Harty Gray Dance Theater.** 8 p.m. The evening will begin with “A Baroque Excursion.” Next, the dancers will perform “Thunder of the Tides.” The final selection will be “An Irish Rhapsody.” At Bishop Ireton High School, 201 Cambridge Drive, Alexandria. Visit [www.khgdt.org](http://www.khgdt.org).

**Artistic Rain Barrel Auction.** 5 to 7 p.m. Selected artists have turned rain barrels into one-of-a-kind works of art as part of a creative way to educate the community on the benefits of using rain barrels. Auction takes place at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Springs Road, Alexandria.

**Genealogical Char Bah.** 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tickets are \$5. Will present “Paths to Freedom,” an illustrated lecture on how she tracked free African American families in Alexandria back to the communities where they had been held

# THEATER

## JUNE 2 TO JULY 3

**"Don Quixote."** Tickets are \$40-\$50. Directed by Paata Tsikurishvili, written by Roland Reed and choreographed by Irina Tsikurishvili. Regular Run: Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m., Thursday through Saturday at 8 p.m., Sundays at 2 p.m. Opening: Saturday, June 4 at 8 p.m. At Synetic Theater in Crystal City, 1800 South Bell Street, Arlington. Call 800-494-8497 or [www.synetictheater.org](http://www.synetictheater.org)

## NOW THROUGH JUNE 5

**"Drumming with Dishes."** Presented by Arts on the Horizon, dedicated to young children. At Landmark Mall in Alexandria. Performances are June 1 at 10:30 a.m.; June 4 at 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.; May 28 at 10 a.m.; and May 22 and June 5 at 11:30 a.m. All tickets are \$8 (with a Family Four pack for \$25) and can be purchased online at <http://www.artsonthehorizon.org/tickets.htm> or at the door. Children under 12 months old are admitted free of charge. Visit <http://www.artsonthehorizon.org>.

## NOW THROUGH JUNE 11

**Como si fuera esta noche (As If It Were Tonight) by Gracia Morales (Spain).** In Spanish with English surtitles. Thursdays at 8 p.m.; Saturdays at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$25/regular; Students/Seniors \$20; Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$30/regular; \$students/seniors \$25. At Gunston Arts Center Theater Two, 2700 S. Lang St., Arlington. Call 703-548-3092 or visit [www.teatrodela luna.org](http://www.teatrodela luna.org).

## NOW THROUGH JUNE 12

**"Side by Side by Sondheim."** Features songs from 1957 to 1976 from some of Broadway's most memorable musicals including "West Side Story," "Anyone Can Whistle," "Follies," "A Funny Thing Happened..." "A Little Night Music," "Company," and "Pacific Overtures." At Signature Theatre. Showtimes are Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays at 8 p.m., Saturdays at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m., and Sundays at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Tickets range from \$55 - \$81 and are available by calling Ticketmaster at 703-573-SEAT (7328) or visiting [www.signature-theatre.org](http://www.signature-theatre.org).



## NOW THROUGH JUNE 5

**"The Real Inspector Hound."** Performances are Thursdays and Fridays at 8 p.m., Saturdays at 5 p.m. and 8 p.m., Sundays at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. At MetroStage, 1201 N. Royal St. in Alexandria, in North Old Town. Tickets may be ordered by calling 1-800-494-8497 or online at [boxofficetickets.com](http://boxofficetickets.com). For group sales, call the theatre at 703-548-9044 or [www.metrostage.org](http://www.metrostage.org).

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## NOW THROUGH JUNE 5

**Two Visitors Exhibit.** Photography by Laurie Sand and Colleen Spencer Henderson. At Multiple Exposures Gallery at the Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union Street, Studio 312, Alexandria. Call 703-683-2205.

## NOW THROUGH JUNE 6

**Baa-merica! Icons Revisited.** Leslie Blackmon's Solo Exhibit of Fiber Sculpture. She has created intricate crochet sculptures of sheep posing as American popular culture icons. At The Art League, 105 North Union Street, Alexandria. Call 703-683-1780 or visit [www.theartleague.org](http://www.theartleague.org)

## NOW THROUGH JUNE 18

**Four Seasons: A Photography Exhibition.** Exhibition by photographers Fred Eberhart and Joseph Romeo at Broadway Gallery, 5641B General Washington Drive,



## THURSDAY/JUNE 9

**Bird of Prey.** 6 to 9 p.m. Free. Featuring Artist Ann Piper. Part of Second Thursday Art Night: Dancing in the Streets. With a Karen Reedy Dance Performance at 8 p.m. At the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St., Alexandria. Visit [www.torpedofactory.org](http://www.torpedofactory.org); 703-838-4565

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## NOW THROUGH JUNE 20

**Artist Pam Rogers.** "The Germination Project: Emerge." Mixed media including handmade natural pigments. Opening reception is Saturday, June 4 from 7 to 9 p.m. At the Schlesinger Center Margaret W. & Joseph L. Fisher Gallery, NVCC Alexandria campus.

**Call for Instructors for Art Camp 2011** (7/25-7/29). Projects should combine educational elements with hands-on and engaging opportunities for creativity and relate to a current or historic craft founded in cultural tradition. Ages 8-14. [www.theDelRayArtisans.org](http://www.theDelRayArtisans.org).

## NOW THROUGH JUNE 26

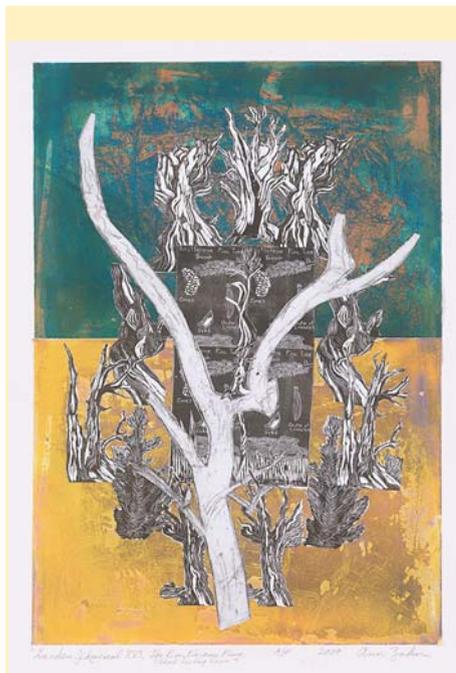
**Birds & Beasts.** Creature-centered clay creations. At the Torpedo Factory's Scope Gallery; hours are Monday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., with Thursdays open until 9 p.m. At 105 North Union Street, ground floor Studio 19, Alexandria. Call Scope Gallery at 703-548-6288 or visit [www.torpedofactory.org/galleries/scope](http://www.torpedofactory.org/galleries/scope).

## NOW THROUGH JUNE 26

**In the Flesh 3.** In the Flesh 3 examines contemporary figurative art, showcasing the work of 21 artists while exploring the deep-seeded relationship between humanity and art. Reception is June 9 from 6 to 8 p.m. At the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union Street, Alexandria. Visit [www.torpedofactory.org/target](http://www.torpedofactory.org/target).

## NOW THROUGH JUNE 26

**Paintings of the Potomac Valley Watercolorists.** At Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road, Alexandria. Call 703-642-5173.



## JUNE 9 TO JULY 5

**The Gravitational Pull of Memory.** Free. Prints and Collages by Veteran Printmaker Ann Zahn. Opening Reception & Meet the Artist: Thursday, June 9, 6:30 - 8 p.m. At the Art League Gallery, 105 North Union Street, Alexandria. Visit [www.theartleague.org](http://www.theartleague.org).

## NOW THROUGH JULY 31

**Exhibition of Commemorative Wares.** Features ceramic wares that reflect the Alexandria community's keen interest in current and historic events. At the Lyceum, 201 South Washington Street, Old Town Alexandria. Open Monday through Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. \$2 admission. Call 703-746-4994 or visit [www.alexandriahistory.org](http://www.alexandriahistory.org).

# Alexandria Film Fest Seeks Entries

The fifth-annual Alexandria Film Festival is soliciting entries from U.S. and international filmmakers. At least three cash prizes will be awarded to top films at the Festival: Best of Show (\$500), Jury Prize (\$300) and Audience Award (\$200). All film genres are accepted in all categories including narrative, documentary, short, animated and experimental. Deadlines for entries are: Regular - June 30, 2011; Late - July 15, 2011. Regular fees are \$35 for feature-length films and \$25 for shorts. Discounts are available for early entries.

The Alexandria Film Festival will again partner with Withoutabox, a subsidiary of [www.IMDB.com](http://www.IMDB.com), to accept film submissions. To submit films through Withoutabox and receive an entry fee discount, visit [www.withoutabox.com/login/7816](http://www.withoutabox.com/login/7816). Complete guidelines are posted on Withoutabox and on the film festival web site at [www.AlexandriaFilm.org](http://www.AlexandriaFilm.org).

For additional questions, contact the Alexandria Commission for the Arts at 703.746.5588 or [aca@alexandriava.gov](mailto:aca@alexandriava.gov).

# ENTERTAINMENT

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in slavery. At the Alexandria Black History Museum, 902 Wythe Street, Alexandria. Call 703-746-4356 or visit [www.alexblackhistory.org](http://www.alexblackhistory.org).

**"The Healing Passage: Voices from the Water."** Film screening at 4:30 p.m. Free. Part of Movies With a Mission program. At the Alexandria Black History Museum, 902 Wythe Street, Alexandria. Call 703-746-4356. Visit [www.alexblackhistory.org](http://www.alexblackhistory.org).

## SUNDAY/JUNE 12

**An Afternoon with Sally Fairfax.** 2 p.m. Tickets are \$10. Commonwealth Books publisher, James Thompson, will interview Alexandria's grande belle who will answer questions about her aristocratic family and its connections to the founders of Fairfax County, Alexandria City, the British Empire. Sally Fairfax is interpreted by the Little Theater's Beverly Benda. At The Lyceum Auditorium, 201 S. Washington Street, Alexandria. Call the Lyceum at 703-838-4994.

## TUESDAY/JUNE 14

**Author Talk.** 7 p.m. Meet the authors "The Park Sisters" (Frances and Ginger Park) talk about their book, *The True Story of Two Sisters, Tons of Treats, and The Little Shop That Could*. Refreshments (chocolate) served. Free & open to the public. Call 703-746-1701. At Beatley Central Library, 5005 Duke Street, Alexandria.

## WEDNESDAY/JUNE 15

**Swing Dancing.** 9 to 11 p.m. Admission is \$10. With Scott Ramminger and the Crawstickers. At Nick's Nightclub, 642 South Pickett St., Alexandria.

**Lunch Bunch Concert.** Noon to 1 p.m. With Sir Joe & Free Soul (R & B). At Canal Center Plaza, 44 Canal Center Plaza, Alexandria. Contact: [maureen.sturgill@alexandriava.gov](mailto:maureen.sturgill@alexandriava.gov), 703-746-5592.



## WEDNESDAY/JUNE 15

**Fuse Box.** 6 to 7:30 p.m. Benefit concert for The Center for Alexandria's Children at Evening Star's No. 9 Lounge, 2000 Mount Vernon Ave., Alexandria. Call 703-549-5051 or [eveningstarcafe.net](http://eveningstarcafe.net). Suggested donation of \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. Contact [5livewires@gmail.com](mailto:5livewires@gmail.com) or call 703-740-7128.

**New Zealand Wine Tasting.** 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. At the Lee-Fendall House Museum & Garden. The tasting will be led by Wilkinson Wine Cellar and tickets are \$25 per person. A guided tour of the historic Lee-Fendall House will be available during the evening. Contact 703-548-1789 or [www.leefendallhouse.org](http://www.leefendallhouse.org).

## FRIDAY/JUNE 17

**Olympic Day.** 5 p.m. Features planned sporting activities, a visit from an Olympian, coordinated by the National Recreation and Parks Association, and a performance by NU ERA. At Nannie J. Lee Memorial Recreation Center, 1108 Jefferson St., Alexandria.

## SATURDAY/JUNE 18

**African Heritage Cultural Festival.** Noon to 6 p.m. Featured performers include Sandra Johnson, contemporary jazz; SAMO'O and the band JFC, with Caribbean sound; Elikeh, Afro funk music; and the Michael Stephens Project (MSP) R & B. Additional performers include the Alexandria Community Children Theater (ACCT); Hot Topics All Stars Cheer Group; Recreation Center youth performances; and performances by the Alfred Street Baptist, Roberts Memorial United Methodist and Shiloh Baptist church groups performances. At the Charles Houston Recreation Center, 901 Wythe St., Alexandria. Visit

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## SUNDAY/JUNE 19

**Father's Day Cruise.** Celebrate Father's Day aboard the *Odyssey* and the *Spirit of Washington*, offering musical entertainment, dancing and cuisine. Cruises are priced at \$69.90 per adult and \$34.95 for children ages 3 - 12; sailing from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and again from 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. To book, call 866-404-8439.

**Family Tour Day.** 1 to 4 p.m. Special tours hosted by Junior Docents who will be stationed at each stop on the tour, including the taproom, bedchambers, ballroom, assembly room and dining room. At Gadsby's

Tavern Museum, 134 North Royal Street, Alexandria. Call 703-746-4242 or visit [www.gadsbystavern.org](http://www.gadsbystavern.org).

## TUESDAY/JUNE 21

**Mt. Vernon Genealogical Society.** 1 p.m. Free. Features a presentation on "Introduction to the Library of Congress Manuscript Division" by Bruce Kirby. At the Hollin Hall Senior Center, Room 112, 1500 Shenandoah Road, Alexandria. Call Harold McClendon at 703-360-0920 or [haroldm@erols.com](mailto:haroldm@erols.com).

## WEDNESDAY/JUNE 22

**DJ Dance Party.** 9 to 11 p.m. Admission is \$6. With DJ Dabe Murphy. At Nick's Nightclub, 642 South Pickett St., Alexandria.

## THURSDAY/JUNE 23

**Music at Twilight Concerts.** 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Featuring the Alexandria Citizens Band - The City's Oldest Performing Arts Organization. At Fort Ward Park Amphitheater, 4301 W. Braddock Rd., Alexandria. Contact: [maureen.sturgill@alexandriava.gov](mailto:maureen.sturgill@alexandriava.gov), 703-746-5592.

## FRIDAY/JUNE 24

**Alexandria Citizens Band Concert.** 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. The City's Oldest Performing Arts Organization. At Market Square, 301 King St., Old Town Alexandria. Contact: [maureen.sturgill@alexandriava.gov](mailto:maureen.sturgill@alexandriava.gov), 703-746-5592.

**Charity Cruise to Aid Foster Children.** 7:30 p.m. dockside reception; 8:30 p.m. departure. Tickets are \$75/person. Fostering the Future Cruise for The Fund for Alexandria's Child. Aboard the *Cherry Blossom* paddle wheel boat at the City Marina at Cameron and Union Streets in Old Town. Call 703-746-5663 or visit [thefundforalexchild@alexandriava.gov](http://thefundforalexchild@alexandriava.gov).

# HISTORIC ALEXANDRIA

## June 4 - R.E. Lee Camp Hall Museum Open

Tour the R.E. Lee Camp Hall Museum, 806 Prince Street, from noon to 2 p.m. During the Civil War, this 1850s house served as a hospital for the Union army, and after the war, it became the hall for the R.E. Lee Camp #2 for the United Confederate Veterans. Today the museum houses a collection of Civil War artifacts, including Confederate uniforms, flags, and camp items and other artifacts of the 17th Virginia Infantry Regiment CSA. Several Lee family items are also housed there. Admission is free, but donations are welcome. Email relcampahall@hotmail.com or call 703-519-2123.

## June 4 - "Historic Alexandria" Book Signing

Meet author Ted Pulliam as he discusses and signs his new book, "Historic Alexandria: An Illustrated History," at 1 p.m. at the Alexandria Library Local History/Special Collections, 717

Queen Street. In this history Pulliam covers Alexandria from its first peoples through its establishment as a new town in the mid-18th century to its years as part of the District of Columbia to Civil War and Reconstruction to the Civil Rights era to the present day. Refreshments will be served. This event is sponsored by the Friends of Local History. Call 703-746-1706.

## June 5 - Family Tour Day

Visitors on Family Tour Day will experience the historic Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 North Royal Street, through our Junior Docent tours! Junior Docents, volunteers from grades 3 through 7, will be stationed at each stop on the tour, including the taproom, bedchambers, ballroom, assembly room and dining room. Between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m., tour at your own pace and let your children learn about history from other kids! Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children, ages 5 to 12). Visit [www.gadsbystavern.org](http://www.gadsbystavern.org) or call 703-746-4242.

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On May 24, 1861, 150 years ago, federal troops from Washington, D.C., took over Alexandria, a Union officer and Alexandria civilian were killed at the Marshall House on King Street, and hundreds of local men loyal to the South met at Prince and Washington streets to march off and fight with the Confederacy. For the next four years, Alexandria would remain occupied by Union troops, the longest occupation of the Civil War.

Now "Civil War Alexandria," a new, free iPhone app from the Office of Historic Alexandria, allows users to explore Alexandria's Civil War history as they tour

the city — either in person or virtually — through historic images, a stop guide, GPS map and more.

Users will discover how Robert E. Lee's hometown of Alexandria became a major operations center for Union forces, while thousands of African Americans came to the former slave-trading town seeking freedom and security behind Union lines.

"Civil War Alexandria" is available for free at the Apple iTunes store at <http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/civil-war-alexandria/id437084134>.

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## SCHOOLS

# Hispanic Leadership Alliance Honors Five Scholars

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America for only four years, Chavez is a 4.0 student with 12 Advanced Placement courses at Mount Vernon High School. She is on her way to studying accounting at Northern Virginia Community College.

This year's HLA STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) Scholarship, in memory of Sonia Rosa-Velez, a FCPS educator, was awarded to Dennise Aquina. Aquina, a Fairfax High School student, aspires to become a pediatrician.

"I'm so grateful for this opportunity," Aquina said. "I'm going to use the money to go to college to achieve my goal of becoming a pediatrician." By taking anatomy and biology classes, she realized that she had a knack for dissecting, so she wants to become a pediatric surgeon. "I knew it was my destiny," Aquina wrote in her application essay.



**Julio Cruz and Adrianna Chavez, both from Mount Vernon High School, pose with mentor Sandra Costa, before receiving their scholarships.**

**OTHER RECIPIENTS** included Julio Cruz of Mount Vernon High School and Kathya Saavedra of West Springfield High school. The two students received scholarships from the Mount Vernon chapter of the Hispanic Leadership. Cruz, from Puerto Rico, wants to get the message out that the Latino community is a hard-working group of people. He plans to return to his country to study for two years before returning to the U.S. to study biology. Saavedra plans to study business at George Washington University. Her experience in volunteerism and community service has also inspired her to serve in the Peace Corps. She also has plans to start a foundation, similar to that of HLA. "As a first generation college student, I want to be able to help students like me," Saavedra said.

The evening featured a past scholarship recipient who is now a second-year college student.

Marco Segura received a scholarship in 2009 that afforded him the opportunity to attend the University of Virginia. The government and Spanish studies student with a Latin American minor explained that the scholarships from HLA, "show how our com-

**"I'm so grateful for this opportunity. I'm going to use the money to go to college to achieve my goal of becoming a pediatrician."**

— **Dennise Aquina**

munity has been focusing on education excellence in a community that really has been marginalized in this country."

**HLA RECEIVED** 41 scholarship applications this year, the most in the organization's history. The group's goal is to help as many students as they can.

"We want to help a lot of students, and we have a lot of students who need help," said Jane Cruz.

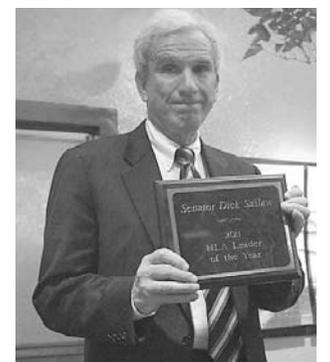
Even with HLA being able to give one more scholarship this year than last year, the group's president said, "The most challenging thing about the scholarship selec-



**Dennise Aquina of Fairfax High School talks about her road to success after receiving the 2011 STEM Scholarship from the Hispanic Leadership Alliance.**



**Scholarship awardee Kathya Saavedra of West Springfield High School talks about her plans to join the Peace Corps and study business at George Washington University.**



**State Sen. Dick Saslaw, supporter of Hispanic Leadership Alliance, receives the 2011 Hispanic Leader of the Year award.**



**Noe Mendez Toji of Woodson Adult High School receives the Humberta Moore Cruz memorial scholarship in the amount of \$2,000 from Hispanic Leadership Alliance secretary Jane Cruz in honor of her son. Toji wants to study to become a history teacher, giving back to honor those who helped him along the way.**

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tion process is telling a student who has met all of the award requirements that there just aren't enough funds."

Membership in the alliance is open to all Fairfax County Public School employees in any school, building or program in Fairfax

County Public Schools. Donations are also accepted from the general public.

For membership information, or to learn how to donate or to become a scholarship recipient, log on to the HLA website at <http://www.hlanow.com>.

### SCHOOL NOTES

Send announcements to the Mount Vernon Gazette, by e-mail to [gazette@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:gazette@connectionnewspapers.com). Deadline is Thursday at noon for the following week's paper. Photos are encouraged. Call Steve Hibbard at 703-778-9412 with questions.

**Mount Vernon High School** will be hosting a "Hall of Fame" banquet on Saturday, June 11 for all alumni who have been inducted in the school's Hall of Fame. All Hall of Famers are guests of the Athletic Department. Additional family and friends are invited. The cost for the additional family and friends is \$25 per person. A family table of six can be reserved for \$125.

**Yaw Owusu**, a senior at West Potomac high school, earned a \$1,500 scholarship from the McDonald's Family Restaurants of Greater Washington.

The following Washington and Lee students have earned dean's list status for the recently ended winter term.

❖ **Alexander Uhlir of Alexandria** a member of the class of 2011 at Washington and Lee University;

❖ **Karie Micklem of Alexandria** a member of the class of 2011 at Washington and Lee University;

❖ **Caroline Schmidt of Alexandria** a member of the class of 2013 at Washington and Lee University.



### Dance Honors

Several students from Just Dance in Mount Vernon attended Dance Teacher's Association's annual Virginia Beach convention earlier this year. The girls had a chance to audition for scholarships, perform their dances for judges and take workshops in ballet, tap and jazz from top teachers.

Just Dance competed with four dances, all of which received high scores. In tap Go Crazy and Uptown Girl received gold medals. Uptown Girl also received the "Precision Award." The ballet number, Trombones, received a platinum medal and high score of the day in their age group. Through the audition process many of Just Dance's students stood out from the crowd. Emily Madden won the third place scholarship for tap. Evie Galvan won second place for best overall dancer. And in the ballet scholarship Just Dance's dancers took home all the scholarships, winning first, second and third places. Natalie Murphy received a first-place scholarship. Cait Hagan received the second place scholarship and Kailey O'Farrell received third place.

# NEWS

## Free College Classes For Senior Citizens

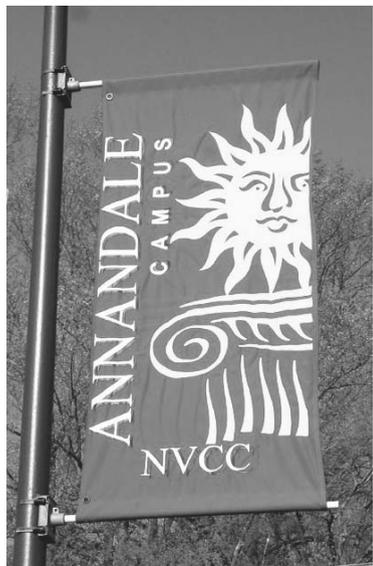
Little known “old” law is waiting for “old” folks.

BY MICHAEL McMORROW  
THE GAZETTE

If your 60th birthday cake is eaten and if residing in Virginia for at least one year, you can attend courses at any state institution of higher education without paying tuition and fees, such as parking. However, you must pay fees covering course materials.

Any course the senior applicant qualifies to attend on a paying basis may be attended on the non-paying basis. Traditional courses and special courses (such as “adult education” and “continuing education”) are included.

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College (NVCC), George Mason University (GMU) and all other state institutions of higher education conduct this free tuition program for senior citizens. Graduate and professional schools are not excluded.

A couple of general restrictions apply. The non-tuition senior can take no more than three courses each term. Tuition-paying students must be accommodated before the non-paying senior is admitted to the course; in other words, there must be space in class for the senior citizen.

In some cases, academic credit toward a degree can be earned. One of those situations is where the senior had \$15,000 or less in Virginia taxable income during the preceding year. The Social Security Administration reports the

### More

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average monthly retirement benefit currently is \$1,178. Factor in the personal exemption and deductions to reach “taxable income” and the potential pool of eligible seniors is sizeable.

Participating seniors often do not seek a degree. They “audit” courses on a part-time basis for personal reasons. These include the pure enjoyment of studying a subject of interest such as art or history, the challenge of learning to converse in a foreign language, and improvement in self-skills (e.g., time management). The attraction for those re-entering the job market might be a course titled Preparation for Employment.

According to Jessica M. Baxter, NVCC’s public affairs officer, available data for recent years show total student headcounts at about 70,000. Yet, the numbers of free-tuition senior citizens in the current year’s fall and spring semesters are 514 and 612, respectively, says Michael A. Blackwell, the NVCC business manager responsible for such filings.

Senior citizen attendees at GMU present a similar picture. Current student enrollment is 32,562, according to Daniel Walsch, press officer. Of the 418 students age 60 or older, he notes that only 185 claim tuition-free attendance.

Although the law has been on the books for more than 35 years, these figures suggest that benefits of the Senior Citizens Higher Education Act of 1974 are underused. The law itself requires that the program be displayed “prominently” in every college and university catalogue; yet, school staff admit to being unfamiliar with the statute.

This general lack of awareness could explain why so few take advantage of the opportunities offered at Virginia’s colleges and universities.

*The writer has participated in the tuition-free program since 2002, and courses range from “introductory” at NVCC to “graduate” at GMU’s School of Law.*

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## Honoring Fallen Law Enforcement Officers

Members of Challengers Cadet Honor Guard of Bishop Ireton, ranging in age from 14 to 18, came together to honor the nation's law enforcement officers who made the ultimate sacrifice, giving their lives in the line of duty and in service to their communities. In a ceremony held May 15, at the National Law Enforcement Officer's Memorial in Washington, D.C., the Cadet Honor Guardsmen placed a wreath at the memorial's "Medallion." Cadet Chief Master Sergeant (C/CMSgt) Ryan Lucas, NCOIC of the Cadet Honor Guard, flanked by Cadet Senior Airman (C/SrA) Abby Steinberger and Lily Ramey laid the wreath while bagpipes played "Amazing Grace" in the background. The Cadet Honor Guard Rifle Detail consisting of Cadet Senior Airman David Souliotis and Ryan McFadden maintained a vigil at the medallion while Cadet Master Sergeant Caitlin Lucas, Challenger's Cadet Commander, called the final roll of those law enforcement officers who gave their lives in the line of duty this year.



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## On Stage

The upper elementary class cast and crew of The Aquinas Montessori School in Mount Vernon pose for their double production of "Alice In Wonderland," performed March 4 and 5: Eamon Abramson, Emma Askren (not pictured), Noah Brody, Cameron Danielson, Björn Davidson, Sam Harbin, Margaret Kadlec, Samantha Kadlec, Albéric Karina-Plun, Drew Knoedler, Bofta Leakemariam, Zachary Lindsey, Kathryn Machanic, Samuel McBroom, Forest Miller, Connor Morgan, Burke Reid (not pictured), Rowan Reusing, Dana Ross, Caroline Schuermann, Maria Sekyi, Anna Selbrede, Clara Selbrede, Craig Selbrede, Farris Sepulveda, Amanda St.Claire, Josephine St.Claire, Eliza Sterne, Nicholas Sutphin, Hannelore Tahmassebi, Naomi Terris, Zöe Traub, Logan Waddell, Prescott Walker, Jacklyn Westbrook, Abigail Whitridge, Brittany Yevoli, Caitie-Belle Yevoli.

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**Purple Milkweed (Asclepias purpurascens).**

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# Majors Give Langley Soccer All They Can Handle

**But Saxon boys ultimately prevail in region playoff encounter.**

BY RICH SANDERS  
THE GAZETTE

**B**oth the Langley and Mount Vernon High boys' soccer teams have known their share of overtime games at the Northern Region playoffs over the past two years. A year ago, the Majors defeated Langley in a first round region playoff overtime affair before falling to Robinson in double overtime in the quarterfinals.

At this year's regionals, both teams won first round overtime playoff games last Wednesday, May 25 - the Majors ending Robinson's season, 2-1, and the Saxons eliminating T.C. Williams, also by a 2-1 score.

It was probably quite fitting then, that the two non-district foes — Mount Vernon from the National District, and Langley of the Liberty District — would once again, in last Friday night's region quarterfinals playoff meeting, go beyond regulation play.

Langley, in a game interrupted late in the first half by a lightning/thunder storm, avenged last year's postseason heartache defeat at the hands of the Majors by ending Mount Vernon's season with a 2-1 double overtime victory. The game took place in front of a modest, but enthusiastic crowd at Langley.

"This was our third overtime [playoff] game in a row," said Langley senior striker Josh Ellis, who was including Langley's recent district tournament finals 3-2 overtime win over Stone Bridge, on May 20. "Last year we had high expectations and losing



PHOTO BY CRAIG STERBUTZEL/THE GAZETTE

**Mount Vernon High's Erik Rodriguez makes his move with the ball during the Majors' Northern Region quarterfinals playoff soccer loss at Langley last Friday night. Rodriguez scored a second half goal to tie the score at 1-1. No. 10 for Mount Vernon, to the right, is sophomore forward Simond Kargbo.**

in the first round [at regionals to Mount Vernon] was hard on all of us. Losing to them last year motivated us."

Langley led Friday's game at halftime, 1-0, before Mount Vernon tied the contest at 1-1 with a score midway through the second half. Later, Langley scored what proved to be the game-winner three minutes and 45 seconds into the second, five minute overtime session when sophomore striker Justin Galiani, off a long, picture perfect cross-field pass from teammate Alex Bruton, sent a low liner shot from the left side into the back of the net from 18 yards out to put his team ahead, 2-1. The Saxons then held Mount Vernon off for the remaining 1

minute and 45 seconds to secure the dramatic, hard-fought win.

"Alex served the ball real soft to me," recalled Galiani, of his game-winning score. "I got a good chest on it [to knock it down]. Then I just thought of getting off a solid shot."

The hip-high shot went into the near-post left side of the net.

Langley, with the win, improved its season record to 15-1-2. The Liberty District champions, under head coach Bo Amato, were scheduled to meet West Springfield High in a semifinals game on Wednesday, June 1 of this week at Robinson Secondary.

Mount Vernon, with the loss to the Sax-

ons, finished its season 14-3. The young Majors, who two weeks ago lost in the National District tournament finals to champion Washington-Lee, will lose just two starters to graduation - midfielder Ruben Alvarez and part-time starting goalie Kevin Moran.

"We've had a great year," said seventh year Majors' head coach Bobby Garza. "This team has shown its heart, determination and skill."

Garza said most of his team's opponents, including Langley, were physically bigger than the Majors, who offset that factor by utilizing their outstanding team quickness. While Mount Vernon was able to defeat Langley at last year's regionals, it came up just short of doing the same this season.

"This is tough for us," said Garza, of the season-ending loss.

Several of the Majors have played with or against Langley's players over recent years as members of select programs such as McLean Academy, Team America, and Great Falls.

**LANGLEY BROKE** a scoreless deadlock just beyond the midway point of the first half when a deflected ball found its way into the net. Nima Kassiri, a senior midfielder, set the score up with a crossing shot from the left corner of the field. During a flurry of action in front of the net, the ball ricocheted off a player and went into the goal with 18 minutes, 22 seconds left in the first half.

Later in the first half, several streaks of lightning resulted in the officials halting the game with 2:04 left in the half. Several minutes later, after players, coaches, officials, and fans had been asked to clear the stadium, there was a downpour of rain which lasted for about 30 minutes. Players had gone into the school while most fans returned to their vehicles in the parking lot. Ultimately, after the rain had stopped and the nighttime skies had cleared up, players

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# Wolverines' Season Ends in Regional Quarterfinals

**West Potomac responds to tough district loss with regional victory.**

BY JON ROETMAN  
THE GAZETTE

**O**n May 23, the West Potomac softball team suffered a loss that could have damaged the Wolverines' psyche beyond repair.

West Potomac came out on the short end of a 2-0, 12-inning decision against South County in the Patriot District championship game. The Wolverines received a gutsy pitching effort from Morgan Maniglia, who shut out the Stallions for 11 innings before allowing a pair of unearned runs, but came

up empty at the plate. While West Potomac's season was still alive, it would have been easy for the Wolverines to come out flat in the regional tournament.

They chose the other option.

West Potomac responded with a 4-3 victory against Stone Bridge in the opening round on May 27, setting up quarterfinal contest against Oakton. The Wolverines overcame a two-run deficit and led 3-2 entering the fifth inning, but failed to finish off the Cougars.

West Potomac's season ended on May 30  
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PHOTO BY LOUISE KRAFFT/THE GAZETTE

**West Potomac junior catcher Jasmine Picini swings during a regional quarterfinal game against Oakton on May 30 at Falls Church High School.**

# Majors Fall in Double Overtime

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returned to the field and warmed up for another 30 minutes. The thick natural turf field, despite the soaking, appeared to be in fairly good shape. The game, which had originally begun at 7, picked up again at about 9:15 with the final couple minutes of the first half. A brief five-minute halftime followed before the teams began the second half with Langley still ahead 1-0.

Mount Vernon, which had limited scoring chances in the first half, played with renewed vigor in the second half, putting more sustained pressure on the Saxons' defense. Midway through the half, the Majors got onto the scoreboard when sophomore forward Erik Rodriguez, on a free kick attempt from 20 yards out off the right wing, sent a shot high into the far side of the Langley net to tie the game at 1-1 with 19:59 showing on the clock.

It was another playoff goal for Rodriguez, who scored in all five of Mount Vernon's postseason games this spring.

"Erik sized it up and made a great shot into the corner," said Garza, of the equalizer against the Saxons.

**BOTH TEAMS** would continue to work hard for scoring opportunities with neither squad finding the net again throughout the remainder of regulation play and through more than eight minutes of overtime before Langley finally got the goal by Galiani in the second OT.

Both goalies — Langley's Jay Lupas and Mount Vernon's Lucas Belanger — played outstanding games in denying several good scoring chances throughout the night. Outstanding defensive play for Langley came from junior defender Rhys Howard and senior Jeff Cochran, among others, while



PHOTO BY CRAIG STERBUTZEL/THE GAZETTE

**Damaro Dacosta (3), a junior defender for the Majors, played a strong all-around game for Mount Vernon, which finished the season with an outstanding 14-3 record.**

Mount Vernon's defensive corps of Damaro Dacosta, Cedric Ekoye, Ishmael Castro, and Hatzael Diaz had strong games.

Ellis, Langley's star striker, said the Saxons stayed strong even after Mount Vernon had tied the score midway through the second half.

"It's important to keep your head up," he said. "We all know we are the best team in the region. Mount Vernon has heart. They're definitely a young team and skilled."

Langley got goals from Ellis and Howard in the Saxons' first round region playoff win over T.C. Williams earlier last week at Langley. The Saxons, who had been disappointed in their first round loss to Mount Vernon the year before, had their hands full against a tough and underrated Titans' team, coached by Martin Nickley, which entered regionals as the No. 4 seed from

the Patriot District.

"I think they're better than a No. 4 seed," said Ellis. "They gave a good showing."

Langley, which entered the season as one of the top teams in the state, has the ultimate goal of winning a state title later this postseason. If the Saxons can defeat West Springfield in this week's region semifinals, they will, along with reaching the region finals, automatically qualify for the following week's state tournament.

"This year, our goal is to win the state," said Ellis. "We know that's tough to do."

But certainly not out of the question for Langley.

"Langley has all Div. 1 [college caliber] players who are very big, fast, and strong," said Garza, the Mount Vernon coach. "Playing them allowed us to raise our level of play."

# Wolverines' Season Ends in Quarterfinals

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with a 5-3 loss to Oakton at Falls Church High School. The teams were tied 3-3 heading into the sixth inning before the Cougars scored a pair of runs to take control.

"They played their hearts out; they never quit," West Potomac head coach Craig Maniglia said. "They'll try, they'll scrap, they'll do whatever it takes to stay in the game."

Oakton scored a pair of unearned runs in the second inning to take a 2-0 lead. West Potomac responded with a pair of runs in the bottom half on an RBI double by Sammy Clifford and a run-scoring groundout by Kaitlyn Kincannon.

Clifford doubled to deep left field after plate appearances.

falling behind in the count.

"That was an awesome hit," Craig Maniglia said.

**"They played their hearts out; they never quit. They'll try, they'll scrap, they'll do whatever it takes to stay in the game."**

**— West Potomac softball coach Craig Maniglia**

A sacrifice fly by Jasmine Picini gave West Potomac a 3-2 lead in the third inning, but the Wolverines failed to score for the remainder of the game.

Leadoff batter Danielle McHugh followed a 5-for-5 performance against Stone Bridge with a 3-for-4 effort against Oakton. After popping out in her first at bat on Monday, the junior right fielder singled in three consecutive

"She's had a hell of a second half of the season," Maniglia said. "She told me in the dugout today: 'Even if we lose, Coach, can we still practice every day?' The kid just loves the sport. I'm real proud of her and her efforts."

West Potomac struggled during the early part of the season but turned things around and played its best softball at the end of the year. The Wolverines will return pitcher Maniglia, right fielder McHugh, catcher Picini, first baseman Maggie Grady and designated player Clifford, among others.

"We started off really slow and I think that pretty much helped us," McHugh said. "Once we got over that, it was like, 'No one can touch us now.' That helped a lot. I'm kind of glad for that — the struggle in the beginning — because it only made us stronger. ...

"[Advancing to the regional quarterfinals] can make us, obviously, realize that we can accomplish that and get this far. I think next year we'll come out even stronger. We just came up a little short today."

# MV Softball Scores Upset

**T**he Mount Vernon softball team ended its season in less-than-stellar fashion in the regional tournament on May 30, but it was a victory in the district tournament that the Majors will likely remember down the road.

After losing twice to National District power Hayfield by a combined 21 runs during the regular season, Mount Vernon upset the top-seeded Hawks 2-1 during the district semifinals on May 19. The Majors advanced to the district tournament championship game, where they suffered a 4-0 loss to Yorktown on May 23. Mount Vernon ended its season with a 19-1 loss to Chantilly in the opening round of the Northern Region Tournament on May 30.

"We beat Hayfield in the semifinals of the district. Everything we worked so hard for this season, we saw it come together that night," Mount Vernon head coach Daniel Coast said. "Making it to the district final, that was huge for us. We hadn't been there in awhile. In that sense, our season was very successful. ...

"We're losing three senior starters but we've got some talent to step back in those positions. Hayfield's losing a lot to graduation, so we expect to be a very strong contender throughout the season for the district title, not just coming into the tournament."

Junior pitcher Olivia Compton was a standout for the Majors and will be a key returner in 2012.

"Every team needs one ace pitcher that is their go-to pitcher," Coast said. "She has great control on her location. She has very decent speed. Speed-wise, you don't see too many around the Northern Region that throw harder than she does. When she's on, she has a nice screwball and she can really work the outside of the plate well. We're very excited to have OC."

Compton said beating Hayfield and reaching the district title game will give the Majors more confidence next season.

"The biggest accomplishment was when we beat Hayfield in that semifinal," she said. "I thought about that game for days and days. Yeah, we lost in the championship, but I think beating Hayfield was the biggest accomplishment in this whole entire district because of just how good Hayfield is and how many amazing players they have on that team."

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CASE NO. 2011-DR-10-1326

KADEE LYNN AUSTIN,  
Plaintiff  
IN RE: NAME CHANGE  
OF ZOIE AVA TALBIRD, (minor under 18 yrs old) SUMMONS  
TO ZOIE AVA AUSTIN

v.

JOHN DOE  
DONOR ID NUMBER 1432  
Defendant.

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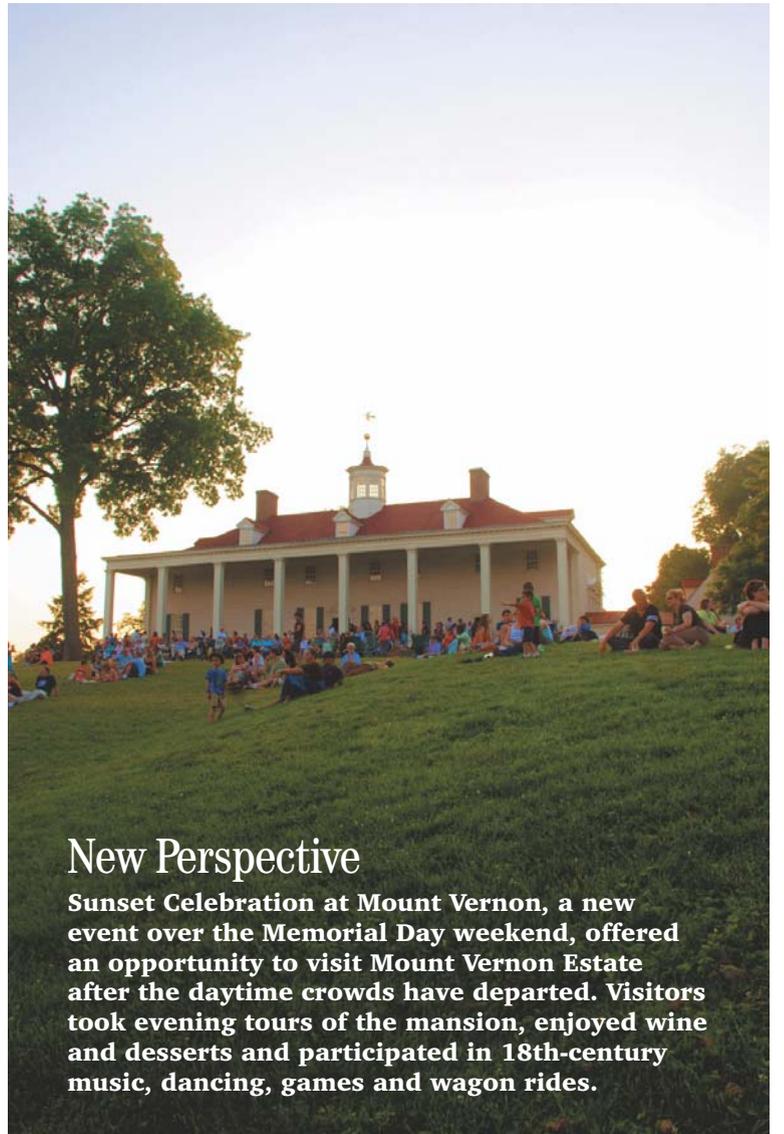
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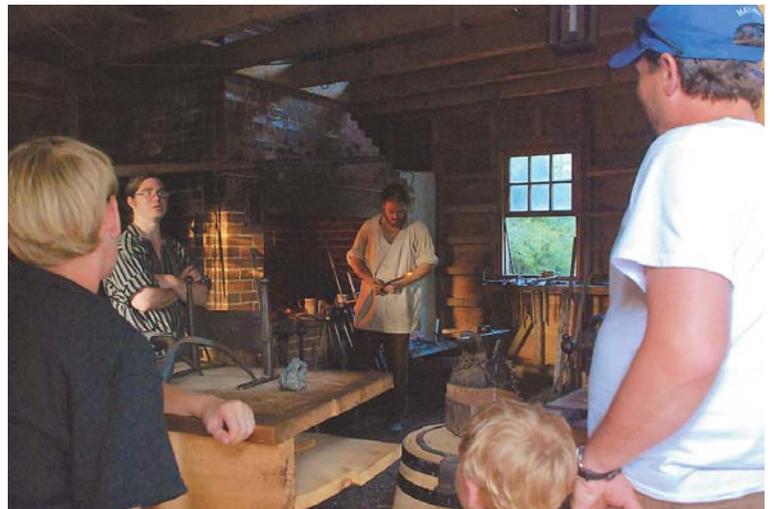
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