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Running At-Large

Issues, candidates, create closely watched race.

By VICTORIA ROSS
THE GAZETTE

Debates over discipline, boundaries, budgets, standardized tests and sleep have generated Fairfax County's most closely watched and contested School Board race in the board's 19-year history.

"Is this an outrageously large slate of candidates? Yes," said Susan Jennings, Fairfax County's coordinator for candidate services since 1994. "I haven't seen this much interest since 1995, when we had our first School Board elections. That was very chaotic."

Of the 12 School Board seats, six are up for grabs, including three at-large seats. The only at-large incumbent running for reelection is Ilryong Moon, who served three terms on the board, including a stint as the board's chair in 2006. Incumbents who will not seek reelection include Stu Gibson (Hunter Mill), Tessie Wilson (Braddock), Brad Center (Lee), Tina Hone (At-large), Jim Raney (At-large) and Liz Bradsher (Springfield).

"When you have that many vacancies, you get more people interested in throwing their hat in the ring," Jennings said.

Currently, 11 candidates are running for the at-large seats, and the top three vote getters on Nov. 8 will serve a four-year term, with an annual salary of \$20,000.

As of Monday, Aug. 8, 10 candidates are running for the at-large seats, and the top three vote-getters on Nov. 8 will serve a 4-year term, with an annual salary of \$20,000. They are Jeannie H. Armstrong, Sheree Brown-Kaplan, Catherine Clark, Christina M. Guthrie, Lin-Dai Y. Kendall, Lolitta Mancheno-Smoak, Ryan L. McElveen, Irylong Moon, Steven Stuban and Ted Velkoff.

Trying to pin down exactly who

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PHOTOS BY LOUISE KRAFT/THE GAZETTE

In the Garden

The newly planted north upper garden has been replanted on the border with hundreds of small boxwoods. Beginning recently in 2005, the Mount Vernon Estate archeologists dug into different areas of the upper garden south of the green house to try and determine how the garden might have been as George Washington planted and saw it in the 18th century. This season the garden has been replanted with vegetables and flowers that draw pollinators to their blossoms. The work is still in progress.



A Buckeye butterfly finds a tempting flower to eat from.



A spider lily bursts forth with color.



Favorites of bees and birds, varieties of sunflowers have been planted on the edges of the flower garden to encourage pollinating of the vegetables and fruit enclosed.

Exemptions Questioned

Properties at Inova Mount Vernon under investigation.

By MICHAEL LEE POPE
THE GAZETTE

Death may be part of life at Mount Vernon Inova Hospital, but taxes aren't. And now that the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors has given a green light to an expansion at the hospital, new questions are emerging about tax-free status of the hospital and surrounding buildings.

The Fairfax County Department of Tax Administration does not assess property taxes for the hospital, which is built on land owned by the county. A spokeswoman for the county said state law forbids jurisdictions from assessing taxes on hospitals. Now that the hospital is moving forward with a \$43.5 million expansion project, the amount of tax-free property on the site is set to dramatically improve.

"It has nothing to do with the fact that the county owns the land," said Merni Fitzgerald, director of public affairs for Fairfax County. "Even if it weren't on county-owned land, the hospital would be exempt from property taxes because of the state code."

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Kammerer, Cooper Face Off in Sheriff's Primary

Aug. 23 primary will determine Republican nominee for sheriff.

By ALEX MCVEIGH
THE GAZETTE

Wes Kammerer and Bill Cooper will face off for the Republican nomination for Fairfax County Sheriff in the Aug. 23 primary. Both men are running for the chance to run against three-term incumbent Sheriff Stan Barry (D).

The Fairfax County Sheriff's Of-

fice is responsible for managing the Adult Detention Center, providing courthouse security and serving civil law process. Founded in 1742, it is one of the oldest law enforcement agencies in the country, and with more than 600 employees, it is the largest sheriff's office in Virginia.

Kammerer was born in New York City, and joined the Army at age 17. He served in the Army for sev-

eral years before joining the New York City Police Department in 1962.

During his 26 years with the NYPD, he served in numerous positions, including on the firearms discharge review, as an investiga-

tor in the Office of Internal Affairs and a detective with the Office of the Chief of NYPD.

He left the NYPD in 1989 and joined the Secret Service in 1990, where he worked for 12 years in a

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Fairfax Station \$720,000
8109 Haddington Court

Gorgeous 4 bedroom home in Barrington community. Fresh interior paint. Beautiful gourmet kitchen with granite counters, stainless steel appliances, and double wall ovens. Sunroom adjoining kitchen. Main level office/library. Two story family room and foyer let's in tons of natural light. Custom deck, screened porch and gazebo give tons of outdoor entertaining potential. 9ft ceilings, detailed molding and so much more.

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Spacious two level, top floor unit. Two bedrooms, one full and one half bath. Features balcony and vaulted ceilings in master bedroom, walk-in closets for plenty of storage. Living room & dining room combination with cozy glass enclosed corner fireplace. Large eat-in country kitchen. Tons of windows make this unit bright & open. Move in ready!

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Alexandria \$435,000
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NEWS



PHOTO BY MICHAEL LEE POPE/THE CONNECTION

Del Adam Ebbin (D-49) celebrates the legalization of sangria in restaurants with La Tasca manager Shana McKillop in 2008.



Arlington School Board Chairwoman Libby Garvey, right, chats with Arlington Board member Barbara Favola during a reception honoring retiring state Sen. Patsy Ticer (D-30).

The Democratic primary will take place on Tuesday, Aug. 23.



PHOTO BY MICHAEL LEE POPE/THE CONNECTION
Alexandria City Councilman Rob Krupicka takes a break in the council chamber during a public hearing.

Who Will Be Democratic Nominee in 30th?

Ebbin: The Progressive

BY MAYA HOROWITZ
THE CONNECTION

Del. Adam Ebbin (D-49) started working on political campaigns when he was 12 years old. A county legislator in suburban Long Island knocked on his parents' front door looking for volunteers. The legislator had just put a traffic light in around the corner and young Ebbin decided to champion his cause.

"It shows you that all politics is local," Ebbin said. "I thought it was exciting, but as I understood more about politics as a kid, I learned how important it was to affect change."

In high school, he worked on a teacher's campaign for town council. He continued to work as a volunteer and later as a campaign manager on various political campaigns throughout college and into his adult life. In 1993, he spearheaded Jay Fisette's campaign to be a county board member in Arlington.

Fisette described Ebbin as a "work-a-holic ... He has a great balance of attention to detail, organization and seeing the big picture and being strategic and creative."

Ebbin also served as Lois Walker's campaign manager in 1997. "He's a lot of fun to work with," Walker said. "He's very smart, very sharp and very creative."

Ebbin finally got to run his own campaign in 2003, when he faced four Democrats in a competitive primary after Del. Karen Darner (D-49) announced that she would not seek a sixth term. Michael Graham, who was one of the Democrats running in the five-way primary, said Ebbin won because he was an "excellent" campaigner.

"He was a tireless door-knocker," Graham said. "He connected with a lot of folks that he was able to speak with."

Andres Tobar, who also competed in that 2003 primary, said running against Ebbin "was delightful ... It was a very friendly competition." He recalls meeting Ebbin's mother, whom he calls "a very positive woman."

Ebbin's campaign for the state Senate is based on what he calls progressive priorities. Ebbin said he wants "to protect the environment, to expand transit, to look out for senior citizens and to ensure quality education." He supports automatic restoration of voting rights for nonviolent felons, increased funding for emergency rental assistance and indexing the minimum wage to keep up for inflation.

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Garvey: The Fighter

BY LIAM MALAKOFF
THE CONNECTION

Arlington School Board Chairwoman Elizabeth "Libby" Garvey met her husband Kennan Garvey during her freshman year at Mount Holyoke College in Massachusetts. Instead of a candlelit dinner or a trip to the movies, their first date was spent watching the controversial trial of Black Panther founder Bobby Seale. Their second was a trip to Washington D.C., in order for her to serve as a justice of the peace during the 1971 May Day protests.

She already knew that public service would be her life's work, she said.

On Feb. 21 Garvey entered a race that could take her to a new level of service when she announced her candidacy for the 30th District's state Senate seat, currently held by state Sen. Patsy Ticer (D-30). Ticer chose not to run for reelection this year, endorsing Garvey as her successor in Richmond.

"I think she has a very good sense of what's good for this district," said Ticer in an interview. "The schools are testimony to her good work."

Ticer also pointed to what she sees as Garvey's coalition-building leadership style. "What's a showboater going to be able to accomplish?" she asked.

Garvey has also received endorsements from Fairfax County School Board member Dan Storck, Mount Vernon District Supervisor Gerry Hyland and former Virginia Attorney General Mary Sue Terry.

Garvey is running on a platform of improvements to education, transportation and the environment. A 14-year veteran of the Arlington School Board, she has also become known for involving herself in a spectrum of issues from fighting gangs to advocacy for non-English speakers. She has served on the Council of Government's Emergency Preparedness Council since 2004 and co-founded the non-profit Get Women Elected Now in 2007.

Originally from the Philadelphia area, Garvey attended four different high schools because her father was "chasing the pot of gold," she said in a speech to the Arlington County Democratic Committee. As a result, he went bankrupt during her junior year of college and left the family. She dropped out to work as a waitress and help support her family.

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Krupicka: The Idea Man

BY LIAM MALAKOFF
THE CONNECTION

Born to a teenage mother who married and divorced early, Rob Krupicka began life with few advantages except parents who cared about his education. After turning heads in technology and finance he moved into politics. Now Krupicka, 40, is running a campaign for state Senate on a platform of issues he takes to heart.

"This campaign is about new ideas," said Krupicka in his March 26 kickoff speech at the Birchmere. "If you believe we need new ideas in Richmond, if you believe that we can do better, if you believe that we can be more than we already have been, then I ask you to join our campaign."

Krupicka has cultivated a strong grass-roots campaign based at his Del Ray home. And because he has spent the last eight years as a member of the Alexandria City Council, he knows many of the key players in local governments throughout Northern Virginia. His supporters include Mayor Bill Euille, Sheriff Dana Lawhorne Councilwoman Del Pepper and U.S. Rep. Gerry Connolly (D-11).

"He's not the kind of guy to go with the party line," said former Police Chief David Baker. "He's very independent minded, and he's got the vision to get the job done."

Public officials are not the only ones who have pledged their support. Several prominent businessmen have also contributed to his campaign, including Alexandria Toyota owner Jack Taylor and sports mogul Ted Leonsis. Venture capitalist Robert Dugger III is the top contributor, pumping more than \$7,400 into the campaign. Overall, Krupicka has raised and spent more money than either of his rivals in the Democratic primary, raising more than \$200,000 and spending more than \$150,000.

"Just because you raise the most money doesn't necessarily mean you are going to win," said political analyst Isaac Wood with the University of Virginia Center for Politics. "But it does show you have a strong organization, which is what it takes to win."

Kenneth Robert Krupicka was born in Thousand Oaks, Calif., on Feb. 18, 1971. Six months later, he moved north with his teenage parents to Washington. After they divorced, he lived with his mother and graduated from Interlake High School in Bellevue, Wash., in 1989. A few days later, he headed east to attend the University of Virginia. Krupicka's

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At-large School Board Race: One To Watch

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is running — or not running — is not that easy, Jennings said. Potential candidates have until Aug. 23 to declare his or her candidacy.

"It's tricky this time of year. Anything can happen in the next few weeks, and it probably will," Jennings said. "The first thing I want to do is help keep them out of trouble (in the filing process)," Jennings said.

But the filing process has not been a major issue this election cycle. In addition to the heated rhetoric over the issues, drama over the candidates themselves has sharpened the focus on this race.

Although the School Board is officially a nonpartisan office, candidates actively seek endorsement by the county's Republican or Democratic committees. No one has been elected without backing from one of the major political parties, but many say that could change this year.

On July 1, at-large candidate Charisse Espy Glassman, who was endorsed by the Fairfax County Democratic Committee on May 24, withdrew from race, citing personal reasons. It later came to light

that Glassman, the niece of former U.S. Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy, was charged with assault and possession of a prohibited weapon after the Jan. 24 incident in the District of Columbia, according to D.C. Superior Court records.

Currently Moon, Velkoff and McElveen have the Democratic Party's endorsement.

When Glassman withdrew, Armstrong, a newcomer for an at-large seat, announced that she would seek the Democratic endorsement. After McElveen was chosen, Armstrong sent out a news release on Aug. 1 saying that she had filed an appeal to the endorsement vote, citing "multiple problems and irregularities with the endorsement election process."

According to the release, her appeal was filed with the three Democratic Congressional District chairs for the congressional districts in Fairfax County and the Virginia Democratic Party. The Congressional District chairs or their appointees will hear the appeal pursuant to the Virginia Democratic Party Plan, the rules of the Democratic Party in Virginia.

On July 20, the Fairfax County Republican Committee handed down three at-large endorse-

ments. The endorsed candidates are Mancheno-Smoak, Kendall and Brown-Kaplan.

"It is critical that those serious contenders for the School Board have the drive to assure that the impressive gains that Fairfax has achieved not be devalued or diminished," said Janet Olescek, who served one term on the School Board from 2004-08 as an at-large member. "Strong schools are necessary to continue to attract jobs, and maintain our excellent property values."

FAIRFAX COUNTY Public Schools, the 11th largest school district in the nation with an estimated 177,629 students, operates on a \$2.2 billion budget, which is larger than the education budget of nearly 15 states. The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors sets the tax rate for the school system; the School Board allocated funding. The total county transfer to support school operating and debt service is \$1.77 billion or 52.5 percent of total county disbursements

Pat Herrity (R-Springfield), a member of the Board of Supervisors, said that he's hearing a lot of anger from his constituents about the school system and the School

Board. "On the School Board race, I think there is enough anger on these issues that the bottom of the ticket races will drive some of the voter turnout," Herrity said.

Herrity added that voters have voiced concerns to him about a variety of issues, including parental notification, the southwestern boundary study, the closing of Clifton Elementary, all-day kindergarten and what some call an inflexible disciplinary process.

Many parents and school advocates blamed FCPS' rigid discipline policies when two students committed suicide. Josh Anderson, of South Lakes High School, took his life in March 2009; and Nick Stuban, called a "model student" at W.T. Woodson High School, committed suicide on Jan. 20.

Since his son's death, Steve Stuban and his wife Sandy, who is battling Lou Gehrig's disease, have become advocates for reforming the school system's disciplinary process. With the support of many parents and friends, Stuban said he was also motivated to seek an at-large seat on the School Board.

"There are a lot of issues out there. It's going to be an interesting race, to say the least," Herrity said.

Exemptions Questioned

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But the list of properties that enjoy exemptions from property taxes isn't confined to the new patient tower or the two new operating rooms. A new restaurant that's part of the expansion will also enjoy immunity from property taxes. And the new offices that will be constructed at the hospital will also be tax free. The Sunrise assisted living facility at Inova Mount Vernon also benefits from the property-tax exemption.

"We've got a discontinuity here," said attorney Patrick Rea. "If you are a doctor who has an office at the hospital, you're not paying taxes as part of your rent but the doctors who have offices on the other side of Sherwood Hall Lane are paying taxes as part of their rent."

SHORTLY BEFORE the Board of Supervisors considered Inova's application for expansion last month, Rea sent a letter to elected officials asking them to consider addressing the issue during their deliberations on the application. The July 25 letter requests that the county find a way to start collecting money from the hospital's improvements to the county-owned land.

"Inova has offered to contribute its 'fair share' towards the cost of traffic mitigation," Rea wrote. "I believe that Inova's fair share rises substantially when we factor in that the county does not receive regular annual real property tax payments from Inova."

Supervisors did not address the issue when the hospital's application was approved. But Rea's letter opened the door to an investigation of the tax issues at Mount Vernon Inova Hospital. Mount Vernon Supervisor Gerry Hyland said the investigation will determine what kind of lease arrangement Sunrise has with Inova Mount Vernon. If county officials determine that the property should have been taxed, Hyland said, the county has authority to collect for three years of back taxes.

"It's a legitimate issue," said Hyland. "And if we determine that the property should have been taxed, the director of assessments will have some questions to answer."

Kammerer, Cooper Face Off in Sheriff's Primary

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security capacity, including security support for Presidents George H.W. Bush (R) and Bill Clinton (D). He retired from the Secret Service in 2002.

Kammerer said he hopes to use his connections with federal agencies to create partnerships.

"I want to unify federal, state and municipal organizations in case of a catastrophe," he said. "I've observed that these agencies can tend to get argumentative about who should be doing what."

He also says one of his goals is to increase crime awareness among the county's senior population.

"I aim to keep senior citizens informed so they don't become victims," he said. "I'd go out myself and speak to our seniors, to make sure they're informed and make sure they have the proper literature to keep themselves educated."

Kammerer said another one of his goals is to educate the community on the function of the Sheriff's Office.

"I'd like to set up programs in our schools to teach kids about the Sheriff's Office and who to go to for help," he said. "Visibility is a

key factor, and I don't see it, which is why I'm running. I want to unify with the Fairfax County Police Department to help with this."

He said he also aims to streamline the Sheriff's Office to make sure funds and manpower are allocated in the most efficient way.

"I'll look and see where we can save money, where we can eliminate wasteful programs and duplication," Kammerer said. "And my top priority will be to make sure we're always turning out professionally trained sheriff's deputies."

More information on Kammerer can be found at www.weskammererforsheriff.org, or on Facebook under "Wes Kammerer for Sheriff of Fairfax County."

COPPER IS a native of Pittsburgh, Pa., and he moved to Fairfax County in 1976.

He served in the Army for three years, before joining the Arlington County Sheriff's Office and then the Fairfax County Sheriff's Office in 1988. During his tenure at the Fairfax County Sheriff's Office, he worked in every division, including court security, the Adult Detention Center and the Criminal



Kammerer Cooper

Justice Academy. He was also a certified law enforcement instructor.

He served on the office's Fugitive Task Force, along with FBI agents and U.S. Marshals. He retired as a lieutenant in March.

"As a law enforcement officer, I feel my primary responsibility is to keep Fairfax families safe," Cooper said. "I've always felt a strong commitment to protecting my country, and after I got out of the military, I still felt that commitment to protect citizens."

He also said, if elected, he plans to enforce the more than 4,000 outstanding fugitive warrants in Fairfax County.

"I'd put together a task force with agencies I've worked with before to put these people behind bars, where they belong," he said.

"If the Sheriff's Office and the Fairfax County Police Department combine resources, we should be able to make it a budget neutral initiative."

Cooper said he hopes to combat the growing gang problem in the county, as well as start a program to get deadbeat parents to pay up.

"I'm running on a 'tough on crime' agenda, and I plan to run a tough, strict jail," he said. "I don't believe convicted felons should be sitting around watching TV and eating bonbons."

Cooper said he is also committed to expanding the reach of the Sheriff's Office to keep families safe, saying that with approximately 500 sworn sheriff's deputies, there is a lot they can do."

"Because of budget constraints and manpower issues, local and state law enforcement has to work closer together and share resources," he said. "By doing so, we can keep costs down while rendering better services to this community."

More information on Cooper can be found at www.cooperforsheriff.net, or on Facebook under "Cooper for Sheriff."

PEOPLE

Book Signing Brings Radanovich Back Former congressman returns to Mount Vernon.

By GALE CURCIO
THE GAZETTE

David Hebert, founder of The DEH Group, and his wife Becki Hebert, welcomed friends and colleagues of former California Republican U.S. Rep. George Radanovich last week.

Radanovich returned to the area from California to promote his new book, "The New World Order Is the Old World Order." Joining him were U.S. Sen. Pat Roberts (R-Kan.), and his wife, Franki Roberts, who co-hosted the book-signing event.

Radanovich said that he has had this idea for the past 30 years, but started writing seriously about three years ago. It took about a year-and-a half to complete the book.

"It came out exactly the way I wanted," said Radanovich. "I kept to the message and it makes the point."

Radanovich served eight terms in the U.S. House of Representatives, but said that he didn't miss being there for the debt debate.

A leading voice in Congress on the need for cultural reform, Radanovich argues that the world is in decline due to failed political philosophies such as communism, fascism, socialism and liberal progress-



PHOTO BY GALE CURCIO/THE GAZETTE

Former U.S. Rep. George Radanovich (R-Calif.) visits with Kari and Craig Shapiro.

siveness. In his book, he advocates rebuilding the four institutions of faith, family, work and government as the cornerstones for real change in American society and governance.

"Sixteen years as a member of Congress in Washington has given me a clear view of what works and what doesn't," said Radanovich. "Americans have historically put their faith in their leaders to keep this nation on the right track, but I am convinced that politics is downstream from culture. We have seen the country and the world in a slow decline over the past decades, and Washington politicians are not going to correct that. It's not just a matter of giving the power to the right person or the right political party. Real reform begins not in Washington, but in our culture at home and in our communities."

"The New World Order Is the Old World Order" is available through www.Amazon.com, www.BarnesandNoble.com, or through its publisher, Xulon Press, www.XulonPress.com/bookstore. It also can be ordered directly from Radanovich's website, www.TheFourInstitutions.com/buy.html. The introduction to the book and George Radanovich's bio is also available at www.TheFourInstitutions.com.

BULLETIN BOARD

Chess Comes to Hollin Hall Senior Center. Hollin Hall Senior Center is now a member of the U.S. Chess Federation (USCF). The first club interest meeting will be in the fall. Meets at 1500 Shenandoah Road, Alexandria. Contact Julie Ellis Director at 703-765-4573, TTY 711.

Crafters are needed for the 18th annual St. Luke's Episcopal Craft and Family Fun Fair to be held Sept. 10 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. outside the church at 8009 Fort Hunt Road. Join the dozens of crafters and artisans who will be returning or setting up for the first time to sell handmade jewelry, clothing, clocks, toys, home goods, and much more. Contact Anne Hargrove at annehargrove@cox.net for an application.

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Alex./Riverside Estates \$499,900
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Alex./Woodland Park \$759,999
3225 Woodland Lane
Beautiful, updated contemporary on spectacular .84 acre wooded, waterfront lot w/shared dock. Wonderful view from a wall of double pane picture windows. Remodeled kitchen & master bath suite & newer high efficiency HVAC. Lovely sun rm addition w/gorgeous views of landscaped brick walkway, patio & water. Lg 2 car garage. Walk to Mt. Vernon Estate or GW bike path. Enjoy a scenic commute along the Potomac River. 5 mins to Ft. Belvoir, 15 to Metro & Old Town, 25 to Natl Airport & 30/35 to Pentagon/D.C.



Alex./Woodland \$565,000
3232 Woodland Lane
Lovely 5 bedroom , 3.5 bath home on a spectacular .48 wooded lot in prestigious Woodland Park. Stunning sun room addition in 2006. Cherry cabinets & corian counters in large remodeled kitchen and updated baths, freshly painted interior and newer energy efficient replacement windows. Spacious double carport with ample storage. Community boat ramp for water access. 5 mins to Ft. Belvoir, 15 to Metro & Old Town, 25 to Natl Airport & 30/35 to Pentagon/D.C.



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OPINION

Sample Ballots, More Engagement

Virginia Board of Election should mail a sample ballot that includes polling place and ballot for each voter.

It's half past redistricting, do you know where your boundaries are? While we wrote about the misguided approach to drawing lines for some Virginia Senate and House of Delegates seats during the process, the effects of redistricting are brought more into focus here at the Connection as we plan for election coverage in the communities served by our 15 newspapers.

Many districts stretch out like snakes or amoebas with a piece of one community on this side, a swath of another over here. Individual towns are crisscrossed and nicked by multiple districts.

What's more, voters affected by redistricting are notified just by a postcard in the mail, during the summer — although we should be grateful for this step.

Virginia should follow the example of many other states that mail a full sample ballot to each voter before each election. The ballot shows the specific voter's polling place, a replica of the exact ballot the voter will see, allowing the voter to make selections before

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hand and carry the ballot into the voting booth, and information about absentee voting, rights and responsibilities and more.

This is a best practice at any time, but a critical practice the first cycle after redistricting. It's too late for this decade, but could be in place for the 2020 redistricting ...

Check your registration, polling place and ballot at www.sbe.virginia.gov, click on "voter information."

A wonderful source for information on the races, including details on campaign finance and the often mind-boggling maps of the new districts, is the Virginia Public Access Project, www.vpac.org/elections/.

Primary Races

Primary Election Day is Tuesday, Aug. 23.

♦ Senate District 30, Democrats Adam Ebbin, Libby Garvey and Rob Krupicka are in a three-way race for the nomination to replace retiring state Sen. Patsy Ticer. The winner will face Tim McGee (R) in November. This district, including parts of Arlington, Alexandria and

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A Call to Citizen Action

To the Editor:

As we all have now heard, Jeff Todd, community leader, local business owner, philanthropist, civic volunteer, and most importantly friend to so many of us, passed away last week in a tragic

car accident. This unfortunate accident has not yet sunk in and will never make sense. Personally, I am trying to respond in a way that would make Jeff Todd proud.

It came to me during his memorial service that we — the communities of Lee and Mount Vernon — can respond with our hearts, our actions and our love of our area. This is what Jeff would expect. We

can carry on his legacy of giving his all to the community he loved. We can turn this tragedy into a call to action so that we can all strive to do a fraction of the things for our neighbors that Jeff did automatically. It will take nearly the whole community to accomplish that.

Jeff's legacy is one of compassion, concern for his fellow neighbor and a general attitude that he would help anyone — and everyone — who needed it. How simple and how beautiful and what an inspiration for all of us. Let us now in our own individual ways strive to respond and make Jeff proud.

I'm trying to imagine what the world would be like if it could be filled with Jeff Todds. In all the years that I've known Jeff, I don't think I ever heard him say "no." "How can I help" was classic Jeff. I'll always remember Jeff and his family serving the ice cream that they donated every year to our Springfield Community BridgeWalk — a small thing, perhaps, but it made a lot of adults and kids very happy. The Todd family has improved the spirit of the community and demonstrated that there really are some great people in the world.

Jeff's life may have been short in years but it held several lifetimes' worth of community service. It was a privilege to know

him. May God bless the Todd family and may they know this community is here to support them.

Jeff McKay
Lee District Supervisor

Deadly for Pedestrians

To the Editor:

Ms. Queenie Cox, president of the New Gum Springs Civic Association, wrote a detailed letter addressing Inova Mount Vernon expansion plans and their potential to damage Gum Springs. It appeared to me that she didn't oppose the expansion so much as the associated widening of Sherwood Hall Lane between Route 1 and Parkers Lane. She pointed out that the project's approval by the Planning Commission violated one or more covenants enacted to preserve Gum Springs' physical and social integrity.

A much stronger argument might have been the actual effect of a four-lane Lane: dead and injured pedestrians. In addition, the DMV's traffic analysis might well be flawed.

I assert the fact that streets with 35 MPH or higher speed limits are several times as deadly to pedestrians, and four lane streets mul-

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All in the Family On June 30, Ensign Brittany Amerau administered the Oath of Office to her brother Colin Amerau as he was inducted into the Class of 2015 at the United States Naval Academy. Ensign Amerau, a 2006 graduate of Mount Vernon High School and a 2010 Naval Academy graduate, is in advanced Navy pilot training at Pensacola, Fla. Colin Amerau is a 2010 graduate of Mount Vernon High School.

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tiply the risk several times more.

The Final Staff Report (<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/comprehensiveplan/amendments/09-iv-13mv.pdf>) has about four pages of analysis by the DMV projecting a crippling increase in traffic on Sherwood Hall, Holland Road and Parkers Lane. It predicts a 26 percent increase in hospital traffic, a 64 percent increase in Government Center traffic, and a 452 percent increase in Mental Health Center traffic. In fact, it predicts a thousand more trips per day to the center than to the rest of the hospital, when today the hospital gets nearly five times the traffic.

The analysis talks of peak hour traffic. What through traffic do Sherwood Hall and Parkers Lane have that doesn't come from the neighborhood? Those who aren't going to the complex itself can go east or west on Sherwood Hall, east on Parkers Lane, or north on Schelhorn to Boswell. All of these avoid the intersections. On the other hand, if one cuts away from congested Route 1 over to Ft. Hunt, one must go through there. I'll bet a hundred bucks that if Sherwood Hall is widened to Parkers Lane, cut through traffic will increase to the absolute capacity of the two-lane section from the library on east.

It is the case that turning left from Holland Road is already often a problem — because the county allowed Holland Road to develop with no connection to Gum Springs at all. Check the map and see all the streets that come off Holland and Fordson Road toward each other, without meeting. And of course there's only one connection over to Parkers Lane; more would cut through the campus.

The Final Report talks about dealing with the Holland Road left turn by "... encouraging those turns to be made at the Sherwood Hall/Parkers Lane in-

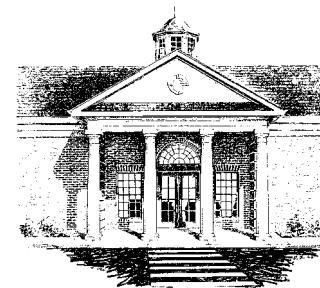
tersection ..." How? Possibly by building a grid of streets on the campus? I would advocate that, but it sure goes against most all of the designs I see around the County, which opt to concentrate traffic onto a few large arteries that slice the landscape up into large isolated blocks by making the arteries dangerous and inconvenient to cross, especially for the young, old, and infirm. Hospitals have lots of visits from such people.

Finally, the Final Report has a few paragraphs about improving access for walkers, cyclists, and users of public transport — but not a single number for the current traffic in these modes, and almost no specific recommendations. Certainly there are no recommendations with the minute details of its car planning. Note that the "grid of streets" I mention above would be great for pedestrians and cyclists, but nothing is in there about this additional advantage. The implication is that the analysts pulled the pedestrian/bicycle/public transport language from the boilerplate bin. As such, it supports changes to make car transport easier. Buses, walking, and biking? It's got nothing concrete to show how those might help. We've got to widen and speed up the streets, since nothing else will work!

Sherwood Hall Lane is already too wide, with traffic going far too fast for pedestrians to cross confidently. Building out the public spaces is a great opportunity to enhance the area, especially if restaurants and small shops are part of the mix, with no associated parking to generate little or no added car traffic. (Won't work? What percentage of Mount Vernon Plaza's users get there by bus, foot or bike? Don't know? Why don't we know?) Let's not blow it by building a mini-Tyson's Corners. Remember, a decision to build a four lane 35 MPH street with long

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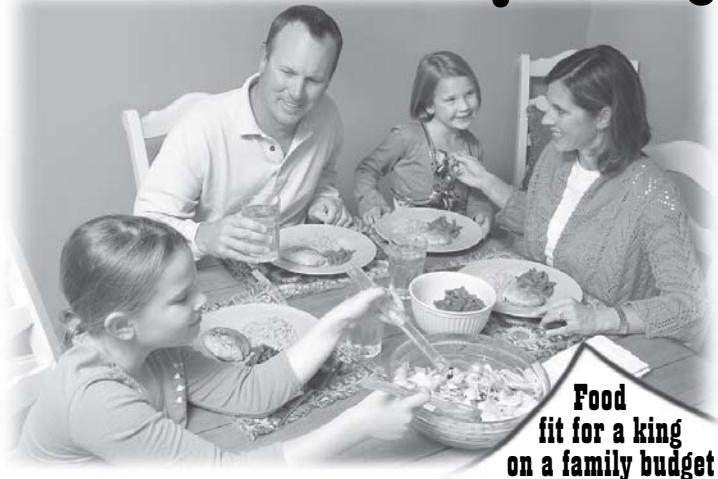
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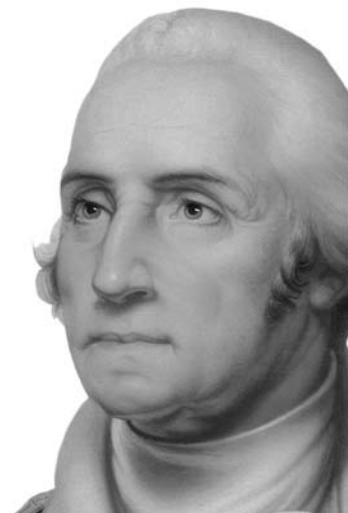
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Garvey

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She returned to school and graduated summa cum laude in 1973 with a bachelor's degree in politics and a minor in economics. She and her fiance, a student at Yale University, married the day after her graduation. Shortly thereafter they traveled to the Central African Republic together, where Garvey taught English as a Peace Corps volunteer. "She was always ready to go," remembered fellow volunteer Amalia Stephens. "And she was so open to all the new experiences."

After two-and-a-half years of Peace Corps service, the Garveys returned home. In early 1977 they moved to Fairlington where Garvey has lived an "Arlington-Alexandria life" ever since. In 1978 U.S. Rep. Lee Hamilton (D-Ind.) hired Garvey as a staffer during his time on the Joint Economic Committee.

"I was interested in economics as a force for good," said Garvey of her time on the Hill. "Economics connects people."

A year later, the first of two Garvey children, daughter Shannon, was born. A dearth of early childhood care in the area led Garvey to become a stay-at-home mother while she directed Mount Holyoke's Washington Internship program and volunteered as a career counselor at the Campagna Center for Women and Families.

In 1984, two years after the birth of second daughter, Ruth, Garvey helped spearhead a successful effort to build a playground at Beverley Hills Preschool. She went on to be elected president of Abingdon Elementary School's PTA from 1990 to 1992. In that final year, she served as a delegate to the National Democratic Convention, and was a delegate again in 2004.

By 1995, Garvey was seeing what she called "unevenness" in Arlington County's public school system. She was especially concerned about the management of its capital improvement plan. She ran for School Board that year, pushing for an audit of the program. "There was a Democratic power establishment," she said of that race. "And I wasn't part of it."

On the campaign trail and in one-on-one conversations with voters, Garvey often recalls a newspaper article published shortly after her loss in 1995 pointing out a \$25 million shortfall in the capital improvement plan. The next year she ran again and won, completing the audit and remaining on the board since. She has served three stints as chairwoman and was instrumental in establishing full-day Kindergarten in the county.

Garvey said that in her School Board service, she has accomplished as much as possible to help people, and that she will be able to get more done for the community from the Senate.

It's not her first bid for Richmond though; in 2005 Garvey lost a race for the House of Delegates seat now held by Del. Adam Englin (D-45).

One issue that all the candidates in the 30th District face is how to deal with the traffic gridlock created by the Washington Headquarters Service at Mark Center — part of the Base Realignment And Closure

Libby Garvey Timeline

1951: born in Cambridge, Mass.
1969: graduates from Brookfield Central High School in Brookfield, Wisc.
1971: father goes bankrupt, leaves family
1973: receives bachelor's in politics from Mount Holyoke College, joins Peace Corps and travels to Africa
1975: returns from Central African Republic
1978: becomes legislative aide to U.S. Rep. Lee Hamilton (D-Ind.), works on Joint Economic Committee
1979: daughter Shannon is born
1987: volunteers at the Center for Women and Families
1990: serves as president of Abingdon Elementary Parent Teacher Association
1992: wins first of two terms as delegate at the National Democratic Convention
1995: loses first race for Arlington School Board
1996: wins election to Arlington School Board
1999: elected chairwoman of the Arlington School Board
2005: loses Democratic primary for an open seat in the Virginia House of Delegates race to David Englin
January 2008: Husband Kennan dies of heart attack
May 2010: diagnosed with breast cancer and receives treatment
Feb. 21, 2011: announces candidacy for the Virginia state Senate

process. A theme of Garvey's campaign has been that an opponent, Alexandria City Council member Rob Krupicka, is partly responsible for the selection of the building's site. One piece of evidence she cites is a 2008 letter in which a deputy city manager endorsed the Mark Center site.

"Not wanting to make a decision?" asked Garvey incredulously. "That's what you're elected to do."

Krupicka has responded that he never supported the current site and has criticized Garvey's choice "to go negative."

"Libby Garvey seems to be campaigning from a negative point of view," agreed Susan Kellom, former chairwoman of the Alexandria Democratic Committee.

Kenneth Hill, a Garvey supporter, sees it differently. "BRAC has to be addressed ... [Krupicka] was on the board and didn't catch this one. I wouldn't call this negative campaigning."

But Shannon Stimson, a college friend of Garvey who now teaches political science at the University of California, Berkeley, acknowledged that Garvey "is blunt, not coy ... and that can be a weakness in politics."

To Garvey, the BRAC issue is a sign of larger problems. "It doesn't take rocket science, or even traffic studies" to see that the Mark Center site was not practical, said Garvey. "We're living with 20 to 30 years of not planning."

She also worried that the BRAC decision is causing a breakdown in public efficacy, saying that it's "heartbreaking" to see people lose trust in public officials.

Thus far into the campaign, Garvey's fortunes have been mixed. Her campaign lagged behind Krupicka's and Ebbin's in the first quarter. Thanks to a fundraising swell, she raised more money than her opponents in the second quarter. As of June 30, she had the most cash on hand, according to the Virginia Public Access Project.



Libby Garvey

Krupicka

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father was working construction in Woodbridge at the time, allowing him to establish residency and pay in-state tuition. "It was the best school I could afford," said Krupicka, whose campaign materials use the university colors.

Four years later, he graduated with a bachelor's degree in economics and a minor in history. After college, he moved to a place he'd visited and "fallen in love with" before school: Alexandria. While browsing at the local Safeway, Krupicka noticed a familiar face down an aisle; it was Lisa Guernsey, who had occasionally covered his political exploits at UVA for the Cavalier Daily. Following a courtship over Ben and Jerry's ice cream, they married in 1996. In the mid and late 1990s, Krupicka managed AOL's relationships with banks and other financial institutions as the dot-com market took off. The experience left an impression.

"I'm a big believer in the power of innovation," said the councilman. "Virginia is one of the top technology states, and a critical part of economic viability is how you create a welcome environment for technology businesses."

In 2002 and 2004, the Krupicka family grew thanks to the addition of daughters Jane and Gillian. While raising his family, he became involved in local politics as president of the Del Ray Citizens Association. Education, particularly pre-kindergarten schooling, emerged as a foundation of Krupicka's campaign.

"I've been a firewall against cuts to education," said Krupicka. "Even through the recession, we've kept funding steady."

Since his first year on council, 2003, he has served on multiple committees to look at the issue of early childhood education. He was also on a statewide task force charged with collecting data on the pros and cons of pre-kindergarten programs. If he wins a ticket to Richmond, Krupicka vows to put early childhood education at the agenda.

Both of Krupicka's daughters attend public school, and he often speaks about walking them to Mount Vernon Community School each morning — despite living in the Jefferson-Houston school district. Krupicka talks fondly and openly about his family on the campaign trail but declined to explain his choice in schools during an interview. "I'm not going to talk about personal decisions," responded Krupicka to queries about why he doesn't send his children to the troubled school. "I won't let parental choices be politicized."

On the campaign trail, Krupicka has spoken at length about revising mandatory minimum sentencing laws, although he has declined to identify any specific sentencing guidelines he would slash. He also casts himself as a proponent of mass transit, arguing that the federal government should give more freedom to state and local agencies. Other issues close to Krupicka's heart are the environment (he has a "green" driveway) and transportation (he drives a Prius).

"He has been a persistent, effective champion of the greening of city and private

Rob Krupicka Timeline

1971: born on Feb. 18 in Thousand Oaks, Calif.
1989: graduates from Interlake High School and moves to Virginia
1993: graduates from the University of Virginia with a bachelor of arts in economics and a minor in economics
1995 to 2000: works at America Online as a director of business affairs
1996: marries wife Lisa
2002: daughter, Jane, is born
2003: wins election to Alexandria City Council
2004: daughter Gillian is born
2009: Democratic Gov. Tim Kaine appoints Krupicka to the Virginia Board of Education
March 26, 2011: announces candidacy for the Virginia state Senate



Rob Krupicka

buildings," said Councilwoman Del Pepper. "For Rob, environmental stewardship is more than just voting the right way — it's about taking the lead and looking for ways to move us forward."

During his years on the City Council, Krupicka has gained his share of opponents. Republicans criticize his support for ending traditional May elections for City Council in favor of November balloting as a blatant political move to increase the power of the Alexandria Democratic Committee. Many artists are still unhappy about his support for a plan to make the Torpedo Factory more profitable. Critics say he can be condescending, and some accuse him of caring more about his next political post than about the citizens he represents.

"I think Rob promises a lot of things but doesn't always follow through," said former Vice Mayor Andrew Macdonald. "Sometimes it seems like he tries to play both sides of an argument."

Krupicka has also come under fire for his role in the location of the Washington Headquarters Service, the massive Department of Defense office building located on the city's West End as part of the Base Realignment and Closure process. Krupicka was a member of council when the city government endorsed the Mark Center site despite the lack of access to Metro. "Why didn't he take the lead in favoring a different location?" opponent Libby Garvey wants to know. "And, specifically, what leadership did he provide to stop this colossal mistake?"

Krupicka responds that he was "as shocked and dismayed as everyone in our community when the Department of Defense chose lower cost and poor transportation infrastructure over mass transit availability" in 2008. Annabelle Fisher, a self-described "citizen activist" and a resident of Alexandria since 1999, doesn't buy it.

"I find it very disingenuous to say he didn't know about the selection," Fisher said. "Now he's spinning it and trying to play both sides of the middle ... and that's not acceptable."

Krupicka says it's time to move on, saying he is "tired of the politics of blame."

"I have always felt that the BRAC site should be in Eisenhower Valley," he reiterated in an interview. "Looking forward, our focus has to be on building a regional mass transit network that makes it possible for people to travel from the Pentagon to Fort Belvoir without getting in a car."

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Ebbin

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"I think I can do more for the people of the 30th district," Ebbin said. "I can accomplish a lot of the things I started to do in the House."

On the campaign trail, Ebbin describes himself as the most experienced legislator, someone who has a history of passing legislation in the difficult partisan atmosphere of Richmond politics. Ebbin casts himself as someone who can stand up to Republicans. "I know their tricks," Ebbin has said repeatedly on the campaign trail. "I know their schemes and I know how to pass bipartisan legislation in spite of themselves."

Ebbin launched his campaign on March 20, 2011 at Alexandria's Black History Museum, addressing more than 100 supporters. The selection of venue was chosen to emphasize Ebbin's outreach to the black community, which includes an endorsement from former Alexandria NAACP president Howard Woodson. "I think he has been effective as a delegate," Woodson said. "He knows the territory. He knows the players. He knows the process and I think he can transfer that knowledge and that experience to the Senate and do quite well."

Eleven Democratic members of the House of Delegates have endorsed Adam Ebbin, including local delegates Charniele Herring (D-46), Bob Brink (D-48) and Patrick Hope (D-47), as well as state Senators Chap Petersen (D-34) and John Edwards (D-21). Former U.S. Rep. Leslie Byrne, the first woman to represent Virginia in Congress, has also come out in support of Ebbin. "Adam represents the progressive leadership this Senate District deserves," Byrne said.

Adam Paul Ebbin, 47, was born on Nov. 10, 1963 in Huntington, N.Y. He attended American University and received a bachelor's

degree in political science and public communication in 1985. In 1988, he took a job at the Washington City Paper as a senior account executive. He continued to work in the advertising business in 1998 when he became director of marketing and media relations at the Association of Alternative Newsweeklies. In 2000, he attended the University of Virginia's Sorenson Institute of Political Leadership. Then, in 2002, Democratic Gov. Mark Warner appointed him chief deputy commissioner to the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry. In 2003, he became the first openly gay member of the Virginia General Assembly. He has been reelected three times without Republican opposition.

"Republicans respect him," said Paul Friedman, a longtime supporter. "Adam is a fighter."

Mark Colley, a chief contributor, said Ebbin "sees government as a source of solutions ... I've known him to be an active good government guy."

Ebbin has received praise for his work fighting human trafficking. He introduced unsuccessful legislation on the issue in 2006 and 2007 before successfully introducing House Bill 2190 earlier this year requiring the Department of Social Services to develop a plan for the provision of services to victims of human trafficking.

"The legislative efforts of the bipartisan coalition that Delegate Ebbin helped form has resulted in a vast improvement to the legal framework in Virginia to combat human trafficking," said James Dold, policy counsel for the Polaris Project, in a written statement when the governor signed the bill into law.

Arlington County Board member Fisette said Ebbin sometimes works on issues that are "mundane but important." In 2008, he championed a bill to make sangria legal. The mixed drink, which is often made by mixing fruit, wine and brandy, was illegal to serve in restaurants as the result of 1930s-era

Adam Ebbin Timeline

Nov. 10, 1963: born in Huntington, N.Y.

1981: graduates from Commack High School South in Commack, N.Y.

1985: graduates from American University with a bachelor's degree in public communications and political science

1988 to 1997: works as senior account executive at Washington City Paper

1992: helps found Virginia Partisans Gay and Lesbian Democratic Club

1998 to 2002: works as director of marketing and media relations at the Association of Alternative Newsweeklies

2000: attends University of Virginia Sorenson Institute of Political Leadership

2002 to 2003: Gov. Mark Warner (D) appoints Ebbin chief deputy commissioner to the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry

2003: emerges victorious in a contested Democratic primary against four opponents when Del. Karen Darner (D-49) retires

2003: first elected to Virginia General Assembly in a general election without Republican opposition

2005, 2007, 2009: wins reelection to the Virginia House of Delegates

March 20, 2011: launches campaign for state Senate at the Alexandria Black History Museum

legislation that outlawed the practice of mixing wine and distilled spirits. Earlier this year, he introduced legislation to outlaw synthetic marijuana, also known as K2 or Spice. Ebbin's work on sangria and Spice has been seen by some as minor compared to the work that needs to be done on other issues facing his constituents.

"Those are low down on the totem pole," said Ron Fisher, the Independent Green Party candidate who ran against Ebbin in 2007.

Ebbin's opponents in this Senate race, Arlington School Board Chairwoman Libby Garvey and Alexandria City Councilman Rob Krupicka, have spent much of the campaign disputing transportation issues surrounding the location of the Washington Headquarters Service as part of the Base Realignment and Closure process. Friedman said that while Garvey and Krupicka have been quarreling, "Adam has been working to get funds to mitigate the problem."



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stretches between stoplights is a decision to accept a steady trickle of dead and injured pedestrians.

Larry D. Huffman
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Expansion's Effect on Traffic

To the Editor:

As reported in last week's Gazette, last month, the Board of Su-

pervisors approved a proposal to increase the potential floor area ratio (FAR) for land encompassing Inova Mount Vernon Hospital and the Mount Vernon Government Center, "kicking the can down the road" concerning serious transportation concerns that will now have to be addressed during the subsequent re-zoning process.

The transportation impact analysis recommends adding traffic signals at the following intersections: Sherwood Hall Lane and

Holland Road; Parker's Lane and Hinson Farm Road, and Parker's Lane between the Hospital and Whitman middle school. To alleviate anticipated traffic increases, County staff recommends re-striping Sherwood Hall Lane between Richmond Highway and Parker's Lane to increase from two lanes to four lanes. County staff points out that as a result of this re-striping, on-street parking would have to be eliminated in the widened area of Sherwood Hall Lane. In the understatement of the year, the traffic report states: "This could potentially impact local residents and businesses and church-goers along the corridor. Should restriping occur, alternative locations for community parking should be sought." Where? The inconvenient truth is that the adverse impacts are breathtaking and there is no reasonable way to replace the parking spaces.

It is my understanding that Gum Springs and Sherwood Hall Estates oppose this proposal mainly due to the transportation issues. As anyone knows who visits this area during the morning and evening rush hours, Sherwood Hall Lane becomes a "parking lot." What does our County staff think will happen when Sherwood Hall Lane is widened to four lanes from Richmond Highway to Parker's Lane? It doesn't take a traffic engineering degree to realize that the minute Sherwood Hall Lane is widened at Richmond Highway, drivers on Richmond Highway will try to use Sherwood Hall Lane as a cut-through to the George Washington Parkway.

The roads beyond Parker's Lane and including Parker's Lane are all one lane in each direction. Traffic will not improve, it will be worse than ever. Once Sherwood Hall Lane is widened between Richmond Highway and Parker's Lane, does anyone truly believe that decision will be reversed? Doubtful. Instead, what will likely happen is that County staff will recommend widening the rest of Sherwood Hall Lane all the way down to Fort Hunt Road. What will that do? It will extend the backup down to Fort Hunt Road, another two-lane road, thereby increasing air pollution for all of the communities bordering the entirety of Sherwood Hall Lane and limiting the ability of all of those residents to drive to doctor's appointments, for food shopping, in emergencies and for all of the other reasons people must travel to and from their homes. Heaven forbid a house catches on fire in that corridor during rush hour. The fire trucks will never get there in time. This scheme has now moved closer

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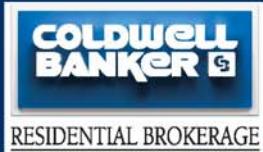
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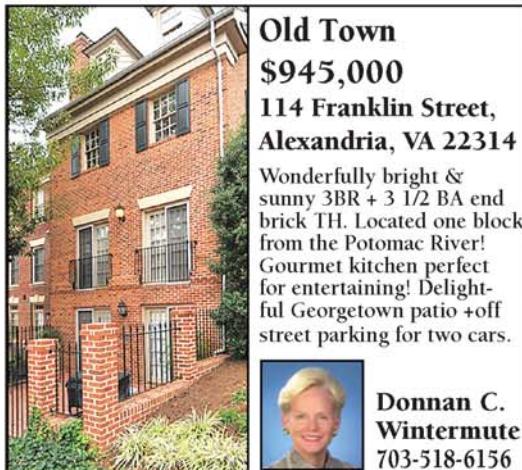


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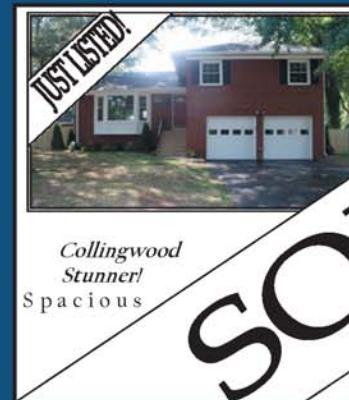
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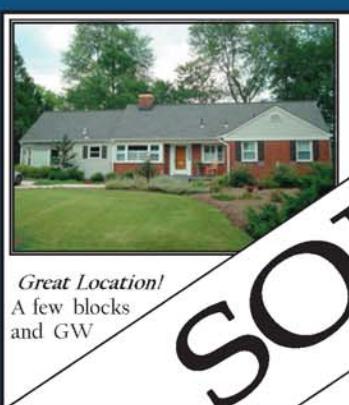
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Home Life Style

Outdoor Rooms Are New Trend

Porches, dining areas, family rooms and kitchens outside add enjoyment.

By MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE GAZETTE

Julie and Kent Friederich are looking forward to the start of football season. Avid Green Bay Packers fans, the couple is hosting a small party for friends to watch the first televised game of the season. The crowd will gather on the couple's recently added screened porch, an outdoor living space designed by Alexandria-based architect Christine Kelly of Crafted Architecture.

"The Packers won the Super Bowl last year," said Kent Friederich. "We're going to have a Packer party on the porch, cook some bratwurst and have beer and soda. It's a great space."

From screened porches to fully equipped outdoor kitchens, the Friederichs are part of a growing number of homeowners who are going alfresco. "People are just more interested now in focusing on their gardens and outdoor spaces," said Kelly. "Outdoor grilling areas and front porches are making a comeback."

The Friederichs' screened porch has floor-to-ceiling screens, high wooden ceilings with skylights and a combination of wood and tile flooring. The couple chose traditional furnishings including a teak dining set. Just outside the porch is a deck with a grill and more seating. The porch overlooks the home's woodsy yard.

"The porch is on the corner of the house, so the breeze comes through perfectly," said Kent Friederich.

Kelly developed an L-shaped layout for



The outdoor living room in the home of Julie and Kent Friederich in Mount Vernon.

the room, which the Friederichs said gives it an open feel and makes it ideal for entertaining. "We had a graduation party for about 40 people, and we were all sitting out here. The flow of the room worked really, really well," said Julie Friederich. "Nobody went inside of the house."

Julie, a pre-school teacher at Aldersgate Methodist Church School and Kent, a consultant at Booz Allen Hamilton, enjoy the serenity of their outdoor space as a way to unwind and reconnect with nature.

The Friederichs' outdoor rooms—a dining area and family sitting area that includes a stone fireplace and ceiling fans—are useable in both chilly and warm weather. "Whether it's a screened porch or garden rooms, gas or wood burning fireplaces are very popular and can be a beautiful focal point in the room as well," said Kelley.

Kelly believes that outdoor room additions should be designed to blend with the existing home in both size and architectural style, but should also have some distinguishing elements.

"Raise the ceiling height and change the texture of the ceiling using painted or stained wood or exposed beams to help set it visually apart from the rest of the house so that it really becomes its own little jewel within the home," said Kelly. "I like to do the same with the flooring using stone, tile or a painted wood flooring that offers a texture and color change from the existing house."

Whether you're doing an enclosed room or screened porch, an abundance of natural light is essential. This can be achieved with skylights and floor-to-ceiling windows, or screens in the case of screened porches.

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Homeowner Julie Friederich, left, with architect Christine A. Kelly standing in the outdoor dining room.

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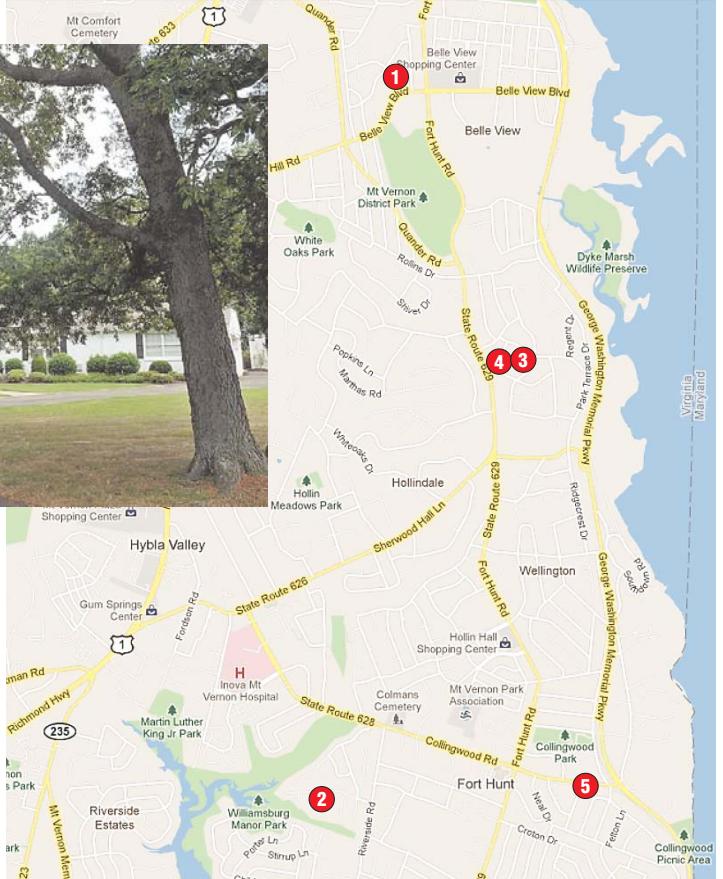
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Outdoor Rooms Are New Trend

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Howard Kandel, President of Kandel Construction, agrees that the outdoor living trend is on the rise and says that it extends beyond the kitchen. "Over the last several years, outdoor spaces have become a pretty hot topic – a lot of screened porches ... and a lot of trying to bring the outside in," said Kandel.

The trend, he advises, should be tempered with realism. "People have a fantasy in their head of living a certain way, but the reality is they probably will never live that way, so we do a reality check with clients," said Kandel. "It sounds great, but is that how's it really going to work? Is that how you're really going to live?"



PHOTO BY MARILYN CAMPBELL

Homeowner Julie Friederich with her architect Christine A. Kelly on the porch.

The Friederichs said the addition of their outdoor living area, with construction done by Joe Selby & Sons Inc., was money well spent.

"We live out here," said Julie Friederich. "We have coffee out here in the morning. We have birds...fox and everything else out here. We just love it."

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LETTERS

FROM PAGE 10

to becoming a reality, much to the chagrin of virtually anyone who actually knows about it. Affected communities and citizens should take action now so that it can be stopped or at least modified before changes are irreversible.

I have a suggestion: the transportation experts should provide a calculation of the number of total vehicle trips per day that triggers the need to add two lanes to Sherwood Hall Lane (the threshold number). Working backwards, a calculation should be made of the floor area ratio (FAR) for the hospital that will result in a total number of vehicle trips per day in the vicinity equaling 85 percent of the threshold number. That FAR number should be the maximum permitted for the hospital. Why 85 percent? The reason is that if the hospital is allowed to increase its FAR to the threshold number, no other businesses in the area would be able to apply to increase their FAR without triggering the need to add two lanes to Sherwood Hall Lane. Even in a "first come, first served" world, it would be inequitable for the hospital to take for itself a FAR increase causing the entire area to reach the threshold number. The remaining 15 percent would be available for other local businesses that might wish to seek permission to increase their FAR without triggering the street widening.

In reality, there is, inherently, a law of diminishing returns. While most of us would like the hospital to be able to expand to enhance its medical services, if the price to be paid is significant loss of quality of life for Gum Springs, Sherwood Hall Estates and other adjacent communities, the price is too high.

H. Jay Spiegel
Mount Vernon

Determines Own Destiny

To the Editor:

I am writing in support of Tito Munoz, candidate for the 36th district senate seat. After meeting Mr. Munoz at an event I helped my mom with, I was looking forward to voting for him, however, after the redistricting I am now in the 30th. Therefore I am writing to encourage everyone in the 36th to go out and vote for Tito in the primary on Aug. 23, and then the general election on Nov. 8. Mr. Munoz came to New York from Columbia with \$200 in his pocket. I don't know how he lasted more than a weekend in NYC with so little money, but he did. He found a job, worked hard, and now owns his own construction company. He became a U.S. citizen in 2008. I love his slogan "Born in Columbia, but Made in America" and I admire his passion for our country and the American Dream. Having lived in a country where the government decides who is successful and who is not, he takes great pride and joy in living in a country where he determines his own destiny. I think a lot of us who were born here take these things for granted. If you want a state senator that will put all his energy into working to make Virginia an even better place to live, please vote for Tito. Thanks.

Joe Bradley, Alexandria

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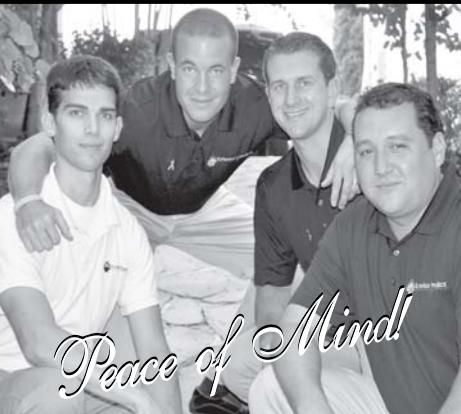
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Old Town Sidewalk Sale set for Aug. 13.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN
THE GAZETTE

From the river to the rails, merchants along the King Street corridor in Old Town will play host to the second-annual Summer Sidewalk Sale on Saturday, Aug. 13.

"We have more than 50 retailers participating this year," said Cindy McCartney, owner of Diva Boutique and one of the organizers of the event. "And the sale isn't limited to King Street. A wide variety of merchants throughout Old Town will be participating in this year's event."

Co-sponsored by the Potomac Riverboat Company and the Alexandria Convention and Visitors Association, the summer promotion was conceived by McCartney and other small business owners as a way to wind down summer promotions and head into back-to-school shopping.

"A group of us were brainstorming last year and came up with the idea of a sidewalk sale," McCartney said. "Several of us wanted to do something like this for a long time and the time was right to make it happen."

Following the success of last year's sale, McCartney noted that even more retailers signed up to participate this year.

"It definitely was a great success for the stores that participated last year,"

McCartney said. "And as time goes on, more people will know about it and join in."

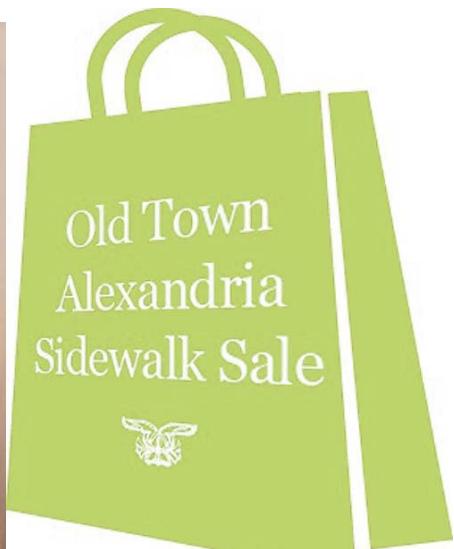
Each store will set its own hours and promotions but general hours will be from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"We didn't plan it this way, but it's a happy coincidence that the sale is the same day as the city's Irish Festival," McCartney noted. "It's a good time for everyone and we want this to be a tradition for years to come."

Visit www.alexandriasidewalksale.com.



Diva Boutique in Old Town Alexandria.



David Martin of Goldworks.

Alexandria Restaurant Week, Aug. 19-28

Alexandria Summer Restaurant Week returns, Aug. 19-28. Some 62 restaurants throughout the city will feature a \$35 prix-fixe three-course dinner or \$35 dinner for two. Savor the flavors of Alexandria's distinctive collection of eateries, from fine dining establishments to casual neighborhood favorites, with special offers available exclusively during this event.

Restaurant Week menus and online reservations are available on VisitAlexandriaVA.com. Food lovers can feast their eyes on the full list of participants, which includes OpenTable Diners' Choice Winners La Bergerie, A la Lucia, Tempo, the Grille at Morrison House, and the Wharf, plus restaurants from Washingtonian 'Best' lists, including Cheesetique, Bastille, Jackson 20, and Grape + Bean.

With more than two dozen participating restaurants offering outdoor dining, Alexandria is a lovely setting to dine al-fresco and bask in the glow of late summer evenings. Paired with a stroll through the neighborhood and a variety of nightlife choices, a dinner out becomes a whole night to remember.

This 10-day event enables residents and visitors to experience Alexandria's diversity of restaurant choices and taste the culinary inventiveness of local chefs. The August 2011 event is the second time Alexandria Restaurant Week has been offered in the summer. Go to VisitAlexandriaVA.com.



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Alexandria Arts and Crafts Fair. 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. every Sunday. Features some of the areas' best artists and artisans and includes jewelry, glass works, ceramics and pottery, hand woven products, and other crafts. At St. George Gallery, 105 North Alfred Street, in the heart of Old Town Alexandria.

THURSDAY/AUG. 11

18th Century Dance Classes. 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Cost is \$30/series or \$12/class. Learn the dances of Jane Austen's time. Dance master Corky Palmer will lead the series in preparation for the annual Jane Austen Ball on Aug. 13. Reservations at 703-746-4242 or www.gadsbystavern.org.

Music at Twilight Concerts. 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Bay Jazz Project (Jazz). At Fort Ward Park Amphitheater, 4301 W. Braddock Rd., Alexandria. Contact: Special Events, maureen.sturgill@alexandriava.gov, 703-746-5592.

Bill Mulroney & Second Wind Bandits. 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://www.nvfaa.org).

FRIDAY/AUG. 12

U.S. Air Force Concert Band. 8 p.m. Free. Presents "Disney and Pixar Favorites." At the U.S. Air Force Memorial, One Air Force Memorial Drive, Arlington. Call 202-767-5568 or www.usafband.af.mil.

Buck Owens Birthday Party. 7 to 10 p.m. Telegraph Station is hosting a Buck Owens Birthday Party with two live acts: banjo player Banjer Dan and Washington, D.C. country band The Highballers. Country music legend Buck Owens is the much-revered and influential father of the "Bakersfield Sound." Telegraph Station will be playing Buck Owens music, and the live acts will perform original music along with some versions of Owens's songs. At 5735 Telegraph Road, Alexandria. Call 703-373-3376.

Alexandria Harmonizers Concert. 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Barbershop Chorus. At Market Square, 301 King St., Alexandria. Contact: Special Events, maureen.sturgill@alexandriava.gov, 703-746-5592

SATURDAY/AUG. 13

Tommy and the High Pilots. 9 p.m. Admission is \$12. Performing with Heypenny. At Iota, 2832 Wilson Blvd., Arlington.

Alexandria Scottish Rite Performance. Dinner at 6 p.m.; Show at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20. A performance by the Hexagon troupe, the Hexagons. At the Alexandria Scottish Rite Temple, 1430 West Braddock Road, Alexandria. Call 703-998-9044.

Fort Ward Civil War Camp Day. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$5/adult; \$10/families. Highlights include Union and Confederate drills and camp life with costumed interpreters, and a focus on uniforms and equipment from the early war. Free parking available along West Braddock Road. At 4301 West Braddock Road, Alexandria. Visit www.forward.org or call 703-746-4848.

Summer Sidewalk Sale. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The brick sidewalks of Old Town Alexandria will be buzzing with shoppers. Participating merchants from the river to the Metro, on King Street and the side streets, will be showcasing their products in the Second Annual Old Town-wide Summer Sidewalk Sale. Each participating retailer will host a unique event or promotion — some retailers will be offering deeply-



Sally Spring

SATURDAY/AUG. 20

Focus Music Folk Concert. 7 p.m. Tickets are \$18/general; \$15/advance. Nick Annis and Sally Spring will perform at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church in Alexandria. Visit www.focusmusic.org.



Nick Annis

AUG. 14 TO 15

Auditions for "Twelve Angry Men." 7 to 9 p.m. Auditions for Aldersgate Church Community Theater (ACCT) production of "Twelve Angry Men" will be held at Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 1301 Collingwood Road, Alexandria. For character profiles, and further information, visit [acctonline.org](http://www.acctonline.org)

TUESDAY/AUG. 16

Restaurant Night Benefit. 5 to 8 p.m. Shane's Rib Shack is hosting a fundraiser for UCM where 20 percent of the cost of your meal will be donated to UCM. At Shane's Rib Shack, 7698 Richmond Highway, Alexandria. Call 703-660-6288.

Mount Vernon Genealogical Society.

1 p.m. Free. Stephen Morse presents a program entitled "One-Step Webpages: A Potpourri of Genealogical Search Tools." Meets at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road, Room 112, in Alexandria. Any questions about the program should be directed to Phyllis Kelley at 703-660-6969 or phylliskelley@msn.com.

WEDNESDAY/AUG. 17

Swing Dancing. 9 to 11 p.m. Admission is \$10. With the Soul Tones of Swing. At Nick's Nightclub, 642 South Pickett St., Alexandria.

FRIDAY/AUG. 19

Swing Dancing. 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Admission is \$4. With the a live band led by conductor Owen Hammett. Open to all. At the Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road, Alexandria. Call 703-765-4573.

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SATURDAY/AUG. 20

Justin Townes Earle. 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$25. At The Birchmere,

3701 Mount Vernon Ave., Alexandria. Visit www.birchmere.com.

Summer Orchestra Series.

7:30 p.m. The Marine Chamber Orchestra presents Music of "die Nacht." At the Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall, Northern Virginia Community College, 3001 North Beauregard St., Alexandria. Call 703-845-6156 or www.schlesingercenter.com.

War of 1812: Music and Life in Seaport Alexandria.

Noon to 2 p.m. The Ship's Company Chanteymen will perform songs of the War of 1812 era on the Magnolia Terrace. The concert will be followed at 2:30 p.m. by a conversation with John Carlyle's great-granddaughter, Margaret Herbert Fairfax (b. 1784, d. 1850), the wife of the 9th Lord Fairfax of Cameron. Visitors can explore the schooner Lion, a scale replica of a War of 1812 privateer ship, which will be parked in front of the museum. Tours of the house will take place from 12-4 p.m. Admission is \$10/adults; \$5/children ages 5-12. At 121 N. Fairfax Street in Old Town Alexandria; call 703-549-2997.

Focus Music Folk Concert.

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SUNDAY/AUG. 21

Kenny Sanders Band. 4 p.m. Donation is \$15. Sponsored by the



WEDNESDAY/AUG. 17

John Jorgenson in Concert. 8 p.m. At The Birchmere, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave., Alexandria. Visit www.birchmere.com.

Committee for Jazz at Meade. At Meade Church, 322 N. Alfred St., Alexandria.

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.

WEDNESDAY/AUG. 24

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

AUG. 26 TO 27

Red Wanting Blue. 9 p.m. Admission is \$12. At Iota Club, 2832 Wilson Blvd., Arlington. Visit [http://redwantingblue.com](http://www.redwantingblue.com).

MONDAY/AUG. 29

Wiygul Golf Classic. 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. A fundraiser for ALIVE! At Belle Haven Country Club, 6023 Fort Hunt Road, Alexandria. Sign up at [Alexchamber.com](http://www.alexchamber.com).

WEDNESDAY/AUG. 31

"Race to Nowhere." 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10/advance; \$15/door. At Bishop Ireton High School, 201 Cambridge Road, Alexandria.

Swing Dancing. 9 to 11 p.m. Admission is \$10. Jimmy and the Blue Dogs. At Nick's Nightclub, 642 South Pickett St., Alexandria.

SEPT. 1 TO 5

Abbey Road on the River. Beatles Tribute Festival with 50 bands from around the world. A highlight will be the full reenactment of the soundtrack album LOVE, which was produced as a re-mix of over 130 Beatles songs for the Cirque Du Soleil show. The LOVE concert, presented by Gretsch Guitars, will take place on Saturday, Sept. 3 at 8:30 p.m. and feature 34 performers. At the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center, National Harbor in Maryland. Also a fund-raiser for the American Red Cross. Visit www.abbeyroadontheriver.com.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 3

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.org or DRA.AlexandriaArtMarket@gmail.com



SATURDAY/AUG. 20

Justin Townes Earle. 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$25. At The Birchmere, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave., Alexandria. Visit www.birchmere.com.

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SEPT. 5 TO NOV. 6

Alexandria's Fall Arts Jubilee.

Colorful spectrum of events celebrating the arts includes the King Street Festival of the Arts, Del Ray's Art on the Avenue, West End Art & Wine Festival, the Alexandria Film Festival, and dozens more. www.VisitAlexandriaVA.com; 703-746-3301.

SEPT. 5 TO OCT. 31

Kaleidoscope. An initiative of the Alexandria Arts Forum and Access through the Arts, focusing on visual and performing arts in Alexandria from Labor Day to Halloween. Enjoy theater, music and dance performances as well as art exhibitions at locations throughout the city. Dates and admission prices vary. www.ArtsKaleidoscope.com or www.ArtsEventsAlexandria.com

WEDNESDAY/SEPT. 7

Square Dance Lessons. 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Sponsored by Boomerangs Square Dance Teaching Council. At Lincoln Center, 4710 North Chambliss St., Alexandria. Call Nancy at 703-573-8378 or tom.nancystafford@cox.net.

THURSDAY/SEPT. 8

Isabella Perelman. 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10. Part of the Second Thursday Music at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St., Alexandria. Visit [nvfaa.org](http://www.nvfaa.org) or call 703-548-0035.

SATURDAY/SEPT. 10

"The Will to Survive." 4:30 p.m. Part of Movies with a Mission Series. At the Alexandria Black History Museum, 902 Wythe St., Alexandria. Call 703-746-4356 or visit www.alexblackhistory.org.

Toastmasters Open House. 8 to 10 a.m. Learn public speaking and leadership skills in a fun self-paced environment. At the United Baptist Church of Annandale, 7100 Columbia Pike, Annandale. Visit www.guts.freetoasthost.us

St. Luke's Episcopal Craft and Family Fun Fair. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Listen to music by local talent as you peruse unique arts and crafts created by the dozens of artisans and crafters. Sample pies, cakes and other delectables made by the congregation's finest bakers, and stay for lunch — a hamburger or hot dog from the grill — while children enjoy games, face-painting and other festivities. Contact event cochairman Anne Hargrove at annehargrove@cox.net. At the church at 8009 Fort Hunt Road, Alexandria.

Art Activated. Noon to 4 p.m. Step inside from the street fair and let your creative side play at this 5th annual event. Visual art comes alive with artist demonstrations and interactivity. At the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St., Alexandria. Visit www.TorpedoFactory.org; 703-838-4565.

Autumn Serenade. 5 to 7 p.m. Presented by the Alexandria Singers, this concert features selections of American popular music, including Broadway, film, jazz and pop; from Sinatra's "Come Fly With Me" to Toto's "Africa!" At Market Square, 301 King St., Alexandria. Visit www.ArtsEventsAlexandria.com.

SEPT. 10-11

Children in the Churchyard. 1 to 4 p.m. Historic Christ Church presents family friendly activities, rest area and moon bounce. At Christ Church, 118 N. Washington St. Alexandria. Visit www.VisitAlexandriaVA.com; 703-549-1450

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ENTERTAINMENT

Fort Ward Camp Day Is Aug. 13

On Aug. 13, Fort Ward will be holding its annual Civil War Camp Day. The annual event is the largest of several annual living history events staged by the historic site that is owned and operated by the City of Alexandria.

A number of locally-based re-enactment units including the 1st U.S. Artillery, Co. D, 1st Minnesota Infantry, Co. D and the 5th Virginia Infantry will be participating.

In addition, a special appearance will be made by the Fifth New York Volunteer Infantry, also known as the Duryee's Zouaves. This locally-based unit is modeled after the well-known French colonial troops whose style and brightly colored attire were adopted from the Zouaoua tribe of North Africa when they tendered their services to the French Colonial Army in 1830.

"They will be a highlight of the event because they have these colorful uniforms and that oftentimes piques the public's interest in Civil War uniforms because of the type of uniform they wear and that will be very unusual," said Assistant Director at Ford Ward Walton Owen.

Artillery interpreters will also be on hand to speak with and educate visitors. "Certainly, it's very family-oriented for this kind of event," said Fort Ward director Susan Cumbey. "Whereas I would say it's certainly fun, it's educational on one level, with reenactors and others answering questions." In addition, people in the roles of a U.S. Military Railroad worker and a "Yankee schoolmarm" will display toys, games and other items that were popular past times for children in the mid-19th century.

"Whereas other living history events might be based around a single unit, this will feature several different reenactment units and this event will focus on both the north and the south," said Cumbey.

Admission to the event is \$5 for each adult or \$10 for a family with children. Fort Ward is located at 4301 W. Braddock Road, Alexandria. Call 703-746-4848.

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Actress To Star in FringeNYC

Alexandria native Judith Knight Young is appearing as Rosa in "Dancing in the Garden," a production of New York City based, Festival Theatre Company, as part of the New York International Fringe Festival—FringeNYC, Aug. 12-28. The production will take place at The Living Theatre, 21 Clinton St., New York.

Young has appeared at Ford's Theatre as Maudie Atkinson in "To Kill A Mockingbird"; at Arena Stage (understudy) and Keegan Theatre as Big Mama in "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof"; as Mama Lilly in "Hank Williams: Lost Highway" at the Depot Theatre, NY, and the Lake Placid, NY, Center for the Arts; as Sr. Mary Conception in Chip Franklin's Comedy Show at Wolftrap Theatre for the Arts; and as Grandma Kurnitz in "Lost in Yonkers"; Miss Mackey in "The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie"; Aunt Ruth in "Marvin's Room"; and Julia Gibbs in "Our Town"; among others. Principal roles in film include Sydney Pollack's "Random Hearts" where Judith has a solo scene with Harrison Ford; John Waters' "Pecker" and "Cecil B. DeMented"; Barry Levinson's "Lib-



Judith Knight Young

erty Heights"; Garry Marshall's "The Runaway Bride"; and in independent films such as "Harold", and "Silver Tongues" which won Slamdance Film Festival's Audience Award for Best Feature Film. TV principal roles include NBC's "Homicide: Life on the Street" and The History Channel's "Countdown to Ground Zero".

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Pass-Happy Wolverines Looking for QB To Emerge

Sophomore Henderson, senior Ruiz competing for starting job.

BY JON ROETMAN
THE GAZETTE

Caleb Henderson is a 6-foot-3, 200-pound strong-armed sophomore who has the physical tools to succeed as a quarterback at the varsity level. However, he's only played the position for two years and has no experience at high school's highest level of competition.

Charles Ruiz is a senior who has played quarterback since his "Anklebiter" days, has varsity experience and carries himself with confidence. But while Ruiz can throw the ball effectively, he lacks prototypical size for the position.

Both figure to help the West Potomac football team in some fashion during the 2011 season, but only one will be the Wolverines' starting quarterback on Sept. 1, when the team hosts cross-town rival Mount Vernon in the season opener. West Potomac will practice for two weeks before competing in its first scrimmage. Head coach Eric Henderson said he should have an idea which quarterback will start after evaluating their efforts through the first scrimmage.

While the quarterback position is important in any offense, a quality trigger man is

pivotal in the Wolverines' pass-happy spread offense.

"[Ruiz has] good feet, he can make plays, he throws a nice, soft ball and he can place balls well," Eric Henderson said. "He can put [throws] on hands, on shoulders, on back shoulders if need be. ... All the seniors and juniors know him and obviously there's a familiarity there."

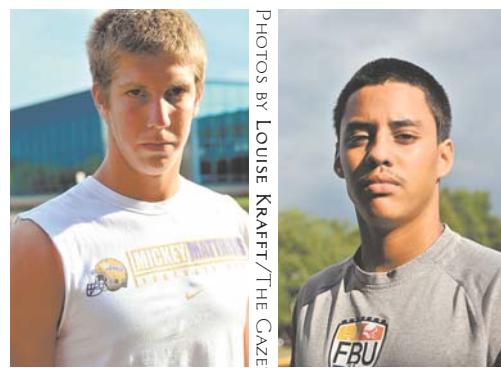
"Caleb's a little faster, a little stronger, but doesn't have the experience that Charles has. He'll grow and he'll be fine, [but] every day is an adventure with a sophomore."

Ruiz said the speed of the game has slowed for him since he saw varsity time as a sophomore, and he feels more mature.

"You can't take it easy," Ruiz said of his mentality while competing for the quarterback job. "You've got to work extra hard when someone's pushing you."

Caleb Henderson, son of head coach Eric Henderson, said he needs to focus on the success of his teammates while trying to win the job.

"Competing for a varsity spot, this is probably one of the toughest things I've had to work for," he said. "... I have to be the middle man between my receivers. I can't be the highlight player on varsity this year.



West Potomac sophomore Caleb Henderson is competing for the team's starting quarterback position.

I've just got to think about other people instead of myself."

Whoever starts at quarterback should benefit from the talents of explosive senior running back Brandon Johnson, who last season scored 10 rushing touchdowns in a span of three games against Woodson, Lee and T.C. Williams.

The most experienced member of the receiving corps is senior Joseph Marinelli. Sophomore Demornay Pierson is expected to make a big impact, along with senior Tyrone Jenkins, who Eric Henderson referred to as "the best pure athlete in the

Patriot" District.

The right side of the offensive line is solidified by three returning starters. Tommy Friederich is back at center, along with right guard Agyenim Agyei-boateng and right tackle Dan Murray. On the left side, Hunter Dennis will likely start at tackle, while the left guard position, formerly manned by the University of Maine-bound Dan Carriker, is open for competition.

On defense, Edward Johnson, who Eric Henderson said is the strongest player on the team, figures to be a force on the line. Inside linebacker Kofi Adom returns after leading the team in tackles last season and safety Tamaric Wilson is back after snagging seven interceptions in 2010. Jenkins will play cornerback.

Chris Blewitt can make field goals longer than 50 yards and can pin opponents deep as a punter.

West Potomac started last season 6-2, including a five-game win streak, but lost its final two games and missed the playoffs. This season, the Wolverines' first five games include matchups with Centreville, South County and Lake Braddock.

"We've been talking about how the first five games are going to shape the rest of the season and we've got to take care of business immediately," Eric Henderson said. "... It's kind of murderer's row: we go from one tough game to another."

Waynewood's Dona Shines at All-Star Meet

West Potomac senior wins two events.

Reanna Dona set her focus on succeeding in the backstroke during the Northern Virginia Swim League all-star meet on Aug. 6 at her home pool at Waynewood Recreation Association. But before Dona could compete in her main event, the West Potomac senior set a positive tone with her performance in the butterfly.

Dona discovered she was the top seed in the girls 15-18 50M fly when she arrived at the pool and responded by winning the event with a time of 29.1 seconds.

"It feels very good," Dona said after winning the 50 fly. "Of course, there were some big shots that aren't here because they are at other meets, but it feels good. I broke my record from two years ago that I did at the last all-stars, so I'm happy with myself. ... I didn't know I was seeded first until this morning when I saw the meet sheet. I'm focusing more on backstroke."

Dona also took care of business in her primary event, winning the 15-18 50M back with a time of 29.18.

Alexandria native and Fork Union Military Academy graduate Blake Sundel won the boys 15-18 50 fly with a time of 26.29. Sundel, a member of the Little Hunting Park

swim team, said he entered the meet seeded ninth in the event, but elevated to the fourth seed due to scratches. Swimming in the final heat, Sundel made the most of his opportunity.

"It was awesome. It was a shock. It was a very good way to go out," said Sundel, who will attend Harvard University in the fall. "... I was able to take advantage of the scratches and just swim my fastest and today it was good enough for the win. ... I felt good during the swim. I did look (under water) during the second 25 [meters]. ... I looked and saw I was in the lead. I just hoped to stay on. I was really shocked when I touched the wall. I even asked the timer, 'Did I win? They said, 'Oh yeah.'"

In boys freestyle competition, Andrew Bernstein (Chesterbrook, 8U 25M, 16.22), Lachlan Flatin (High Point Pool, 9-10 50M, 31.6), Roman Lowery (Fairfax Station, 11-12, 28.09), Ben Lambert (Hayfield Farm, 13-14, 25.14) and Christopher Fiala (Sully Station, 15-18, 23.65) won their respective events. In girls free, Leaya Ma (Mosby Woods, 8U 25M, 16.07), Faith Lowery (Fairfax Station, 9-10 50M, 31.93), Lia Campbell (Crosspointe, 11-12, 28.65), Laura Branton (Oakton, 13-14, 27.84) and Laura Schwartz (Camelot, 15-18, 27.84) captured titles.

In boys backstroke, Anthony Grimm (Fair Oaks, 8U 25M, 18.17), Zachary Risseeuw

(Vienna Woods, 9-10 50M, 37.09), Zander Abrams (High Point, 11-12, 31.4), Luke Thorsell (Fox Mill Woods, 13-14, 29.23) and Brandon Fiala (Sully Station, 15-18, 28.23) took first place in their respective events. In girls back, Leaya Ma (Mosby Woods, 8U 25M, 19.29), Sinead Eksteen (Shouse Village, 9-10 50M, 34.98), Amanda Peren (High Point, 11-12, 33.41) and Maxine Clifford (Waynewood, 13-14, 31.84) finished atop the standings.

In boys breaststroke, Bernstein (21.8), Flatin (41.16), Carter Flint (Tuckahoe, 11-12 50M, 36.19), Garrett Walsh (Hamlet, 13-14, 33.5) and Charles Katis (Highlands, 15-18, 29.13) took home titles. In girls breaststroke, Isabella Manzione (Fairfax, 8U 25M, 22.35), Alina Jones (Mantua, 9-10 50M, 42.6), Jacqueline Clabeaux (Greenbriar, 11-12, 36.5), Suzanne Dolan (Overlee, 13-14, 35.3) and Elizabeth Collins (Waynewood, 15-18, 34.64) won their respective events.

In boys butterfly, Anthony Grimm (Fair Oaks, 8U 25M, 16.8), Thomas Outlaw (Chesterbrook, 9-10 50M, 15.58), Lowery (30.2) and Lambert (26.75) were winners.



Alexandria native and Little Hunting Park swimmer Blake Sundel won the boys 15-18 butterfly event at the NVSL all-star meet on Aug. 6 at Waynewood.

In girls fly, Annie Hood (Mansion House, 8U 25M, 19.01), Morgan Frueh (Mansion House, 9-10 50M, 16.5), Cassidy Bayer (Mount Vernon Park, 11-12, 30.17) and Laura Branton (Oakton, 13-14 50M, 28.98) finished atop their respective event standings.

Boys IM winners were: Daniel Gynis (Fox Mill, 9-10 100M, 1:18.9), Timothy Wu (McLean, 11-12, 1:10.44), Luke Thorsell (Fox Mill Woods, 13-14, 1:04.22) and Brandon Fiala (1:00.43). Girls IM winners were: Eksteen (1:15.26), Bayer (1:10.64), Hannah Baker (Commonwealth, 13-14 100M, 1:08.75) and Schwartz (1:06.38).

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