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Uneasy Neighbors
Alexandria and Arlington at odds over streetcars versus bus-rapid transit.

By Michael Lee Pope
The Connection

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Visiting Potomac Yard today is a tale of two jurisdictions. The Arlington side has massive new high-density development and mixed-use buildings with ground-level retail and underground parking. Across the boundary, Alexandria has a large surface parking lot attached to a strip mall slated for redevelopment. It’s essentially a blank canvas for the Potomac Yard of the future — one that many people say should include a streetcar.

“Alexandria always has extra money,” said Alexandria resident Rebecca White while she was walking her dog on a recent morning. “We are one of the richest cities with all of our taxes. So I don’t see why it should be a problem.”

CAPITAL COSTS for streetcars are two to three times more expensive, although operating costs are less because streetcars last longer than buses. That means that if it wants to upgrade the transit corridor to streetcars in the near future, Alexandria would need to make a major investment — one city leaders are hesitant to do because the city is responsible for raising $240 million to build the Metro station at Potomac Yard. City leaders are currently examining three different locations for a potential location for the Metro station, which would be located on the Crystal City Potomac Yard transit corridor.

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Music

Violinist Midori Rehearses with Arlington Youth Symphony

World-renowned Japanese-American violinist Midori brought her Orchestra Residencies Program to Arlington and Alexandria this year as part of March’s Arts in the Schools Month this past week. Midori established her Orchestra Residencies Program to support and encourage youth orchestras in the U.S. Each year, two youth orchestras are chosen by an independent committee for week-long residencies by Midori, who collaborates on a wide range of activities with both the youth orchestras and their partner professional orchestras.

On Tuesday evening, March 27, violinist Midori and USC graduate student Moni Simeonov coached and rehearsed with the students and soloists in the Arlington Youth Symphony at Yorktown High School. The students were preparing for a special Friday evening youth orchestra performance at T.C. Williams High School with Midori featuring TC Chamber Orchestra performing J.S. Bach’s “Double Violin Concerto” and the Arlington Youth Symphony performing Antonio Vivaldi’s “Concerto for Four Violins.”

In addition to the rehearsal at Yorktown, Midori and Simeonov traveled and rehearsed with the Minnie Howard Orchestra in Alexandria, the Wakefield High School Orchestra, the Washington-Lee Orchestra, the Yorktown and H-B Woodlawn Orchestras and the T.C. Williams String Orchestra, Chamber Orchestra and student soloists. A masterclass for Arlington and Alexandria High School students was also held on Thursday. The violinist finished off the weekend performing two sold-out concerts with the Alexandria Symphony Orchestra on Saturday and Sunday.

Midori performs and listens to the other soloists in the rehearsal of Antonio Vivaldi’s “Concerto for Four Violins.”

Arlington Youth Symphony director Tom Hartman conducts the youth symphony and Midori during the first part of the March 27 rehearsal.

Midori and Moni Simeonov, after rehearsing with the Arlington Youth Symphony team up to coach the soloists separately, for the next part of the hour.
Midday Saturday and Sunday, members of the Arlington Women’s Club held a bake sale and paper shredding in the club parking lot on South Buchanan Street in Arlington. The club is raising money for its scholarship recipient Stephanie J. Colon who is in her second year at Virginia Commonwealth University. Every four years, the member committee selects an Arlington County student for the $2,500-a-year scholarship.

General manager Scott Myers of Shred Station Express on General Washington Drive in Alexandria brought over a shredding truck for the event. Boy Scouts from Troop 648 (Arlington Forest United Methodist Church) helped unload the boxes from the cars that came with papers and documents. Club members filled two tables with homemade cakes, cookies and more.

Women’s Club Raises Money for Scholarship

Wakefield High School PTA president Theresa Schweser thanks the members of the club for their continued support in school activities. Also pictured are Ann Swain, Nancy Zirkle and Pat Fisher.

Markarius Nealis and Boy Scout Cliff Hawrey help Scott Myers with another box of documents to be shredded on Saturday morning.

First Vice President of the Arlington Women’s Club Pat Fisher holds a picture of scholarship recipient Stephanie J. Colon.

Wakefield High School PTA president Theresa Schweser and club member Joanne Baylor enjoy a laugh together at the bake sale.

Boy Scout Cliff Hawrey begins to cut down the extra boxes for shredding.

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Adams and Harris Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Larry H. Adams, of Fairfax County, are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Lauren Akilah Adams to Wesley Alan Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Harris of Columbia, Md. The couple plan to wed on Nov. 10, 2012. Both members of the happy couple reside in Alexandria.

Ms. Adams is an alumna of North Carolina A&T State University and Mr. Harris is an alumnus of Hampton University and Pennsylvania State University. Ms. Adams is CEO and director of Little Ambassadors’ Academy Preschool in Arlington, and Mr. Harris is a systems engineering manager for Lockheed Martin Corporation in Gaithersburg, Md. They plan to make Northern Virginia their home.

"Flourishing After 55"

“Flourishing After 55” from Arlington’s Office of Senior Adult Programs for April 15-21.

Arlington senior centers: Aurora Hills, 733 S. 18th St.; Walter Reed, 2909 S. 16th St.; Culpepper Garden, 4435 N. Pershing Dr.; Langston-Brown, 2211 N. Culpeper St.; Lee, 5722 Lee Hwy.; Arlington Mill at Fort Lincoln, 3308 S. Stafford St.; also Madison Community Center, 3629 N. Stafford St.; T.J. Comm. Center, 3501 S. 2nd St.

Senior trips: Riversdale (Md.) House, Sunday, April 15, $13; Renwick Gallery, D.C. and lunch, Mon., April 16, $58; Harrington (Del.) Raceway and Slots, buffet, Wednesday, April 18, $57; The Kennedy Center, “Come Fly Away,” Saturday, April 21, $92. Call Arlington County 55+ Travel, 703-228-4748. Registration required.

Fire Dept.’s special programs for seniors, Monday, April 16, 11 a.m., Langston-Brown. Free. Register, 703-228-6300.

Food and drug interactions explored, Monday, April 16, 1:30 p.m., Aurora Hills. Free. Register, 703-228-5722.

Controlling high blood pressure, Monday, April 16, 11 a.m., Culpepper Garden. Free. Register, 703-228-4403.

Facebook workshop, Tuesday, April 17, 7 p.m., Walter Reed. Free. Register, 703-228-0955.

Modern dance classes begin Tuesday, April 17, 2 p.m., Walter Reed. Free. Register, 703-228-0955.

Demonstration of assistive listening devices, Tuesday, April 17, 10:15 a.m., Walter Reed. Free. Register, 703-228-0955.

AARP’s two-day driver safety class begins, Thursday, April 19, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., Walter Reed. Free. Register, 703-228-0955.

Arlington County volunteer opportunities discussed, Wednesday, April 18, 10:15 a.m., Walter Reed. Free. Register, 703-228-0955.

Register for 5+ Pass to access senior programs, travel, $20 annual fee, Thursday, April 19. Call 703-228-4744.

Fast-paced walking group, Friday, April 20, 9 a.m., Aurora Hills. Free. Register, 703-228-5722.
Surviving Spring Allergies

Local allergists offer suggestions for coping.

By Marilyn Campbell
The Connection

The Washington region’s unseasonably mild winter led to the early arrival of spring. While many delighted in the balmy temperatures and blossoming flowers, some who suffer from allergies began sneezing earlier than usual.

“The pollen started coming out early and a lot of people were blindsided by their allergy symptoms,” said allergist Dr. Heidi Isenberg Feig, a Potomac resident and allergist at Johns Hopkins Community Physicians in North Bethesda. “The tree pollen count has been high already which is unusual.”

The American Academy of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology (AAAAI) estimates that 35 million Americans suffer from allergies due to pollen and mold. Symptoms include sneezing, a stuffy or runny nose and itchy, watery eyes. This allergy season is expected to last longer and be more intense than usual. Local allergists offer strategies for surviving spring allergy season.

“Although there is no cure for allergies, symptoms can be managed.” — Dr. Jean Glossa, medical director for the Fairfax County Community Health Care Network and Molina Healthcare. “It is possible to reduce or eliminate exposure to allergens. Minimize walks in wooded areas or gardens and stay indoors as much as possible on hot, dry, windy days when pollen counts are highest. Think about wearing a mask when mowing the lawn or gardening and don’t hang linens or clothes out to dry.”

Tips to help manage symptoms:

❖ Decrease your contact with pollen. “The best way to do that is to close the windows of your car and house,” said Isenberg Feig. “Even if it is a nice day, the pollen count can still be a little high.” Pollen can drift through open windows and settle onto carpet and upholstery.

❖ Take showers at the end of the day. “Shower and change clothes as soon as you get home to wash pollen from your hair and skin,” said allergist Saba Samee, M.D. of Alexandria & Clinton Allergy Associates. “Leave your purse or book bag at the front door. Don’t drop them on the sofa or bed because they are all covered in pollen. The same goes for shoes.”

❖ Use sunglasses to defend against pollen. “If you have problems with itchy, watery eyes, wear sunglasses when you’re outside and avoid being outside on windy days if you can,” said Samee.

❖ Stay ahead of allergies. “If you are someone who suffers from allergies, try to take your medicines before things get too bad,” said Samee. “If you wait until you’re absolutely miserable the medicines don’t work as well.”

❖ Eat fruits and vegetables judiciously. Many people with seasonal allergies also suffer from pollen food allergy syndrome. “Some people experience itching hands or mouth or a scratchy throat if they eat certain raw fruits or vegetables because of the cross-reaction between the pollen and certain fruits and vegetables,” said Isenberg Feig.

❖ Use air filters to help create a pollen-free home. “Ensure that the filters fit properly and are changed regularly,” said Samee.

❖ Know the pollen count. “This information is readily available on the web or the weather section of the news,” said Isenberg Feig. The National Allergy Bureau (NAB) tracks and reports current pollen and mold spore levels. A local pollen count can be found at http://www.aaaai.org/glossary/pollen-count.aspx

“IF YOU NEED” long lasting relief, nasal sprays and allergy shots may be recommended, said Glossa. “However, if symptoms persist for more than a week or two and tend to recur, make an appointment to see your doctor. The good news is that most allergies are not lifelong conditions. By following your doctor’s advice and taking control of your environment, allergies shouldn’t keep you from enjoying springtime.”
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Email photos, including the full names of the people in the picture, the approximate date and location the picture was taken, the ages of the children and sentence or two about the people and/or event.

Father’s Day is June 17; soon it will be time to send photos of Dads and children, grandfathers and children and grandchildren.

You can upload your photos on our website

www.connectionnewspapers.com/mothersday or email them to smauren@connectionnewspapers.com

Share Your Poetry: April Is Poetry Month

April is National Poetry Month. We invite local poets of all ages to send in submissions for inclusion in our papers and/or online. Are you a poet? The Connection will print poetry submitted by readers this spring, and occasionally throughout the year. Email your poem to smauren@connectionnewspapers.com.

Be sure to include the poet’s name and address (we’ll print your town name, not your full address). Photos of the poet are also welcomed.

Letters to the Editor

‘Just Let Me Call Virginia Home’

From the scenic Shenandoah
And the Piedmont’s freckled hills
To the Tidewater’s windswept shore
Where the dogwood blooms, with the coming of Spring

The Old Dominion reigns eternally. The birth of a brand new Nation. Conceived in courage, raised on faith. Was brought forth by your daughters & sons. The cradle of freedom was rocked by their hand(s) A legacy second to none

The words and deeds of so many Pledged and preserved with their lives Have brought glory and honor to your name. A heritage that serves to inspire. One generations yet born will proclaim

So let others take to the open road And see horizons anew Just let me call Virginia home To the Old Dominion—ever true!

— Words by Felix B. Humphrey
Arlington

Radle Endorses Shuttleworth

To the Editor:

When I made the careful decision to enter the Democratic Congressional (8th district) primary, my goals were to help address the serious needs of the American people, invest in our future, enhance our quality of life, instill confidence in our nation, prevent future government shutdowns, and expand opportunity for every American.

After spending the past several days in discussions with family and friends, after personally sharing with over 1,700 neighbors why I am standing as a Democrat, I have decided to discontinue my 2012 campaign to represent Virginia’s 8th Congressional District.

It has not been my goal to join the club atmosphere of Congress. My focus remains working to help move our nation forward. Together we can create effective, sustainable solutions to the challenges confronting our community and our nation. Whether we discuss health care, jobs, the economy, education, access to higher education, environmental stewardship or traffic, we need solutions.

We need serious leaders who listen and take responsible action. We need public servants who reach out across our community listening to the people.

I will continue working to help strengthen the culture of listening as an ordinary American, a concerned neighbor who cares, listens and takes responsible action. I will continue as a community advocate serving on public committees at the state, regional and local levels.

I encourage everyone to support Bruce Shuttleworth. Mr. Shuttleworth is a true gentleman who will represent the Democratic Party well in fighting for those who can’t fight for themselves; battling for those who too often battle for us in faraway lands, and governing as an honest broker. As a former fighter pilot, strategy consultant and businessman, he will help provide solutions to the many challenges confronting our nation.

Thanks to everyone who has supported me and my family throughout this important time. It’s now time to move forward with a fresh start, and I look forward to supporting Mr. Shuttleworth with a plan for positive action.

Will Radle
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Sci-Fi on Stage

Kelly DeRoy, Tammy Kiser, Christopher Fanne (in background) and Annie Coffman in “Oh My, An Invasion” from last month’s production by Arlington Inclusive Theatre Companies at Gunston Theatre One.


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The following crimes were reported to the Arlington County Police Depart- ment for the week of March 22 to April 2.

**INDECENT EXPOSURE**, March 31. 3500 block of N. Wilson Boulevard. At approximately 4:21 a.m. on March 23, an officer observed a male subject mas- turbationing while standing on the sidewalk in front of a convenience store. A 28-year-old man, of no fixed address, was charged with indecent exposure and held without bail.

**BURGLARY**, March 30, 4400 block of N. 25th Street. Between 8:20 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., on March 30, an unknown subject(s) entered a residence and stole various items to include jewelry and sterling silver flatware. There is no suspect(s) description.

**BURGLARY**, March 31. 1100 block of N. Stuart Street. On March 31, be- tween 2:30 and 8 p.m., an unknown subject(s) entered a residence through a side door and stole a television. There is no suspect(s) description.

**INDECENT LIBERTIES/EXPO- SURE**, March 29. W400 Trail at N. Ohio Street. On March 29, at 11 a.m., a male subject exposed himself to two women on the W400 Trail. The victims reported that the subject was masturbat- ing while using one hand to cover his face.

The suspect is described as a white male, approximately 5’8”-5’10” tall, with a chubby build. The suspect was wearing jeans, a black sweatshirt and black sunglasses at the time of the inci- dent.

**BURGLARY**, March 27. 16200 block of N. Glebe Road. Between 4 p.m. on March 23, and 7 p.m. on March 27, an unknown subject(s) broke into a resi- dence by knocking out glass on a rear door and stole various bottles of liquor. There is no suspect description.

**BURGLARY**, March 26. 5100 block of S. 8th Road. Between 1 and 4 p.m., on March 26, an unknown subject(s) entered an apartment through a bed- room window and stole various items. Stolen items include televisions, laptop computers and jewelry. There is no sus- spect description.

**ROBBERY**, March 24. 700 block of S. Greenbrier Street. On March 24, at 5:15 a.m., a male victim was walking to his car on S. Greenhoser Street when he was approached by two Hispanic males that demanded money.

One of the suspects grabbed the vic- tim by the throat and made threatening remarks. The victim handed over $65 cash and suspects fled on foot. One of the suspects is described as a Hispanic male in his 20’s, approximately 5’8” tall and 170 lbs. He was wearing a blue baseball shirt with two vertical stripes and jean shorts at the time of the rob- bery. The victim was unable to identify the second suspect.

**ROBBERY**, March 23. 4200 block of N. Fairfax Street. At 7:30 p.m. on March 23, a male victim exiting the Ballston Metro was approached by two black males that grabbed the victim’s arm and demanded his phone and cash. The vic- tim handed over his phone and $200 in cash.

One suspect is described as a black male, approximately 6’0” tall, and was wearing a white T-shirt and dark pants. The second suspect is described as a black male, approxi- mately 6’0” tall, and was wearing a white T-shirt and dark pants.

**EXPOSURE**, March 23. 1400 block of N. Key Boulevard. On March 23, at 7:15 a.m., a female victim reported seeing a male subject sitting in a parked vehicle with his pants down as he walked past. The victim took a picture of the subject’s car, which caused the subject to drive away. The victim did not wish to press charges.

**BURGLARY**, March 23. 4800 block of N. Columbia Pike. Between 11 p.m. on March 22, and 6:30 a.m. on March 23, an unknown subject(s) entered a busi- ness through an exhaust fan system that was temporarily out-of-order. The sub- ject stole televisions and cash from this location. Additionally, the subject broke the glass door to the adjacent business and stole various items to include cash.

The surveillance cameras had not been activated and there is no suspect de- scription.

**POSSESSION WITH INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE (MARYJUANA)**, March 23. 900 block of N. Taylor Street. On March 23 at 4:20 p.m., officers at- tempted to stop a male suspect in relation to a robbery and a foot pursuit ensued. The suspect was eventually ap- prehended and a backpack with over 2 lbs of pre-packaged marijuana was found in his possession. A 24-year-old Arlington man was charged with posses- sion with intent to distribute and was held without bond.

**PROSTITUTION**, March 22. 3000 block of S. Columbia Pike. On March 22, at 8:15 p.m., two female subjects en- gaged in prostitution with unknown male subjects at an area hotel. Officers were aware of the location and their identities after the female subjects placed online advertisements of the lo- cation and photographs of themselves.

A 30-year-old Alexandria woman was charged with prostitution and maintain- ing a bawdy place. A 25-year-old Alexandria woman was charged with prostitution. They were both held on $1,000 secured bonds. Additionally, a 55-year-old Alexandria man and a 23- year-old man from Kent, Ohio were charged with soliciting a prostitute.

**STOLEN VEHICLES**

❖ March 22- MD NG2967, Tag Only, 300 block of S. George Mason Drive.
❖ March 23. VA AR68490, Tag Only, 3100 N. Wilson Boulevard
❖ March 23. VA 705802, 2008 Honda CR600, red, (motorcycle). 2700 block of S. Quincy Street
❖ March 24, VA YLZ8276, Tags Only, 2600 block of S. Shirlington Road
❖ March 25, VA KB978JS, 1998 Oldsmobile Intrigue; black, 1200 block of N. Vernon Street

4/9, 4/16, 4/23 MONDAYS

Meditation and Buddhism Introductory Class. Every Monday at 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Cost &2. Living Meditation Series. Vajrayogini Meditation Center, Arlington Branch Location — The Griffin Center 3100 Fairfax Dr., Suite 5, Arlington. Call 202.986-2257 www.meditation-dc.org

SATURDAY/APRIL 14

24th Annual Potomac River Watershed Cleanup. The Alice Ferguson Foundation’s 24th Annual Potomac River Watershed Cleanup will be held Saturday, April 14. Find a cleanup site by visiting www.PotomasCleanup.org, or calling 202- 973-8203.

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**Sales between $1 million~$1,225,000 in February 2012**

**1.** 1626 Adams Street North, Arlington — $1,225,000

**2.** 1881 Nash Street North #1712, Arlington — $1,225,000

**3.** 2252 Nottingham Street North, Arlington — $1,181,500

**4.** 1881 Nash Street North #1601, Arlington — $1,062,500

**5.** 4900 Old Dominion Drive, Arlington — $1,057,500

**6.** 6559 24th Street North, Arlington — $1,040,000

**7.** 2701 11th St N, Arlington — $1,015,000

**Source:** MRIS, Inc. For more information on MRIS, visit www.mris.com

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In February 2012, 174 Arlington homes sold between $2,023,700-$91,100.
**SATURDAY/APRIL 7**

**Brahms: The Sonatas for Violin and Piano** 7:30 p.m. Tickets are $28/adult; $15/students. Violinist Leonid Sushansky and Carlos Rodriguez bring their artistry to this program. The Brahms violin sonatas are all exceptional masterpieces that occupy their own world of elegant construction, romantic sweep and exquisite beauty. Featuring the National Chamber Ensemble. At the Spectrum Theater at The Artisphere.

**THROUGH APRIL 17**


**WEDNESDAY/APRIL 11**

Good Mourning by Florence Minder. 8 p.m. Cost is $15/$10. Co-presented by Alliance Française. Part of the Small is More Belgian theater and dance showcase. Followed by Q&A session with playwright and actress Florence Minder. At the Dome Theater at The Artisphere.

**APRIL 14 TO APRIL 22**

UrbanArias: Before Breakfast and The Filthy Habit. Saturday, April 14 at 7 p.m.; Sunday, April 15 at 7:30 p.m.; Wednesday, April 18 at 8 p.m.; Friday, April 20 at 8 p.m.; Sunday, April 22 at 2 p.m. Tickets are $22. At the Black Box Theater at The Artisphere.

**SATURDAY/APRIL 14**


**APRIL 18 TO MAY 13**

Michael Broth. Free. Richmond-based visual artist will be demonstrating his work at the Works in Progress Gallery. At the Artisphere.

**THROUGH MAY 31**

Donna Cameron. Free. Donna Cameron is a new media artist from Arlington who creates highly sensual visual and aural collages through a process of paper emulsion which she developed specifically for her work; a process that helps her create surreal combinations of poetry, color, light and sound. At the Bijou Theater at The Artisphere.
The Power of One

‘On the Waterfront’ at The American Century Theatre.

By Jeanne Theismann
The Connection

I t has been hailed as one of the greatest movies of all time, winning eight Academy Awards for an all-star cast that included Marlon Brando, Eva Marie Saint, Lee J. Cobb and Karl Malden. But for playwright Budd Schulberg, himself an Oscar winner for Best Story and Screenplay, the 1954 film version of “On the Waterfront” was never quite the story he wanted told.

Having had subtle but significant changes made to the script by director Elia Kazan, Schulberg took the unusual step of adapting his work to a stage play more than 40 years after the iconic film debuted. It is this often overlooked version of the union violence and corruption on the docks of New York that is presented by The American Century Theatre, now playing at Gunston Theatre II in Arlington.

Director Kathleen Akerley has assembled a brilliant ensemble cast to tell Schulberg’s story of the kid who “coulda been a contender,” fighter Terry Malloy who reluctantly becomes a hero for facing down mob boss Johnny Friendly.

In the central role of Terry, immortalized by Marlon Brando in the film, is Jack Powers, a newcomer to American Century. “I know I have this specter hovering above me...I wasn’t allowed to see the movie so that I can bring my own nuances to the role.”

— Jack Powers

Matt Dewberry joins Rauscher as a leading presence in the play as the gritty and brave Father Barry, who defies the system rather than be a pawn in the ruthless killings. Dewberry brings a heroic strength to a performance that builds to a brilliant crescendo as he risks his life in the fight for justice.

Caitlin Shea is excellent as the naive but feisty Edie Doyle, whose brother was murdered with the unwitting help of Terry. Shea and Powers share a palpable connection as Edie brings out a tenderness and consciousness in Terry’s heart where none existed before.

In a production filled with notable performances, other standout roles include Graham Pilato as the reporter who chronicles and eventually breaks open the corruption of the docks, Christopher Herring as Charlie “The Gent” Malloy, and Tyler Herman, who admirably and seamlessly tackles four roles, beginning with the murdered Joey Doyle.

“I love my cast,” said Akerley on opening night. “There are challenges in this space but the production has turned out extremely well.”

Rounding out the talented cast are Daniel Corey, Joe Cronin, Cyle Durkee, Christopher Holbert and William Haynes.

Elizabeth Jenkins McFadden (scenic design) and Marianne Meadows (lighting design) combine to powerful effect to transform the intimate theater from grim waterfront dock to church sanctuary to tenement rooftop.

They say evil only triumphs when good men do nothing. When those same men stand up for what they believe in, they show evil for what it really is — cheap, lousy, and dirty and The American Century Theatre production of “On the Waterfront” finally provides the gritty and powerful drama Schulberg always envisioned it would be.

“The Waterfront” is playing now through April 28 at Gunston Theatre II, 2700 S. Lang St., Arlington. For tickets or more information, call 703-998-4555 or visit www.americancentury.org.
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Marymount University under-
graduate students have been selected as national outstanding campus leaders and are included in the 2012 edition of Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

Parah Traul, a biology major from Arlington;
Ngn Tran, a business administration major from Arlington.

The following local students have graduated from Excelsior College:

❖ Zachary Fitzgerald Hudson
❖ Carlos E. Barbery, a senior, from Arlington;
❖ Zachary James Madison, a junior, from Yorktown High School and is the son of Peggy and Bill Hudson of Arlington.
❖ Zachary Fitzgerald Hudson, a senior, from Arlington;
❖ Karl Miller, a senior, from Yorktown High School and is the son of George and Carol Madison of Arlington.

The Georgia Institute of Technology presented degrees to approximately 2,000 students during the Institute’s 241st commencement exercises.

Charles-United Methodist
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Lauren Brooks of Arlington is a student at Frostburg State University's College at Flurham, located in Madison, N.J. She is a member of the Dean's Honor's List for the Fall 2011 Semester.

Victoria Stewart of Arlington earned Dean's List honors at Saint Joseph's University for the Fall 2011 semester.

Margaret Brandt, of Arlington, has been named to the Dutch College's Dean's List for the fall semester.

Bookee College of Music announces that Margaret McCracken of Arlington has earned placement on the Dean's List for the fall semester of the 2011 aca-
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**SATURDAY/APRIL 7**

**E&CARE — Bikes for the World.** 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.  Put your old bike to good use. Donate it to Bikes for the World at the Arlington County Environmental Collection and Recycling Event (E&CARE). Bikes for the World is the nation’s largest bicycle reuse program, donating close to 10,000 old bikes annually to communities providing free or affordable bicycles for transport to work, school, or health care, in dozens of countries around the world. Bike parts, accessories, portable sewing machines are also accepted. A $10/bike donation is suggested to defray a share of expenses (checks accepted), and a receipt for tax purposes is provided for all donations. Held at Jefferson Middle School, 125 S. Old Glebe Rd. Arlington. Visit www.arlingtonva.us and search “HHW” or call 703-228-6832.

**SATURDAY/APRIL 7**

** Imagine a Child.** A juried art show sponsored by the Arlington Cultural Affairs Office. The show was juried by Lisa Semrad. After hanging at the Arlington Cultural Affairs Office, the show will move to Cassatt’s Cafe and Gallery on April 15 where a reception will be held on April 22. Cassatt is located at 4536 Lee Highway, Arlington. The Arlington County Board offices will host the show from May 7th until June 25 and then the Arlington County Central Library from July 1st - July 31st.

**SATURDAY/APRIL 7**

**Equalizers Exhibition.** 5 to 7 p.m. reception. Enjoy the opening of the Founders Hall Art Gallery’s newest exhibition, “Equalizers.” The exhibition includes three print makers who explore natural equalizers including equality, equilibrium, and balance in society. At George Mason University Founders Hall Art Gallery, 3351 Fairfax Drive, Arlington. Contact the Arts Management office at 703-992-9826.

**FRI YARD MORNINGS**

**Line Dancing Class.** 10 to 11 a.m. Line dancing with Barbara Allen. Covers the basic steps, then combines them to music for a gentle, social, aerobic workout. More experienced line dancers are welcome as they can assist the newer dancers. At Aurora Hills Senior Center. Call 703-228-5722.

**FEBRUARY TO APRIL**

**Artwork by Twenty Thuy Dong.** 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. At 300 Park Ave., first floor hallway, Falls Church. Artist’s reception is Feb. 8 from 3 to 5 p.m. and April 11 from 3 to 5 p.m.

**APRIL 1 TO 10**

**National Cherry Blossom Photo Contest.** Cherry Blossoms are blooming inside and outside in Crystal City this spring with a new partnership between the Crystal City Business Improvement District, Vornado/Charles E. Smith, and FotocDC. Some 150 finalists and judges’ favorites from FotocDC’s Second Annual National Cherry Blossom Photo Contest will be exhibited along Crystal City’s interior walkways. This year’s contest will feature photography from different categories such as landscape, people, favorites and vintage. Visit www.crystalsc.org.

**SUNDAY/APRIL 8**

**Easter Egg Hunt.** 9:30 a.m. Easter crafty 10:30 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt begins at Trinity Presbyterian Church, 5533 16th St., Arlington. Visit www.trinityarlington.org

**WIN Meeting.** 1st and 3rd Wednesdays. Fort Corney County Women in the NAACP (WIN). Each person is asked to bring a guest to the meeting. Call Shirley Givens at 703-470-2137 or email faifairvwins@aol.com for more information. Visit www.fafairvwins.com. At 5381 Seminary Rd, Falls Church 22042.

**APRIL 9**

**ARLINGTON COUNTY MUSEUM.** **10 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

**APRIL 9**

**Ride, Prayer, Bikes for the World.** 10:30 a.m. Join us for a Bike Ride for the World. This is an easy ride, 2 miles of urban streets and parks. Registration fee is $10. For more information call 703-228-6832.

**APRIL 9**

**Film.** **11 a.m.** Free Movie: “Bread and Honey.” Presented by RSO Film Club. At Luther Jackson Middle School, 2909 South St. SW, Arlington. Call 703-534-5345.

**APRIL 9**

**Family Fun Day.** 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Join the Arlington County Central Library for Family Fun Day. There will be crafts, story time and a reading. Sponsored by Friends of the Arlington County Central Library. At 125 S. Old Glebe Rd., Arlington. Call 703-228-6832.

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**APRIL 13 AND 14**

**Easter Fairs and Festivals.** More than 40,000 books for browsing and buying. Sponsored by the Falls Church Area American Association of University Women. Friday, April 13 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday, April 14 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. At the Falls Church Community Center, 233 Little Falls St., Falls Church. Call 703-534-5345.

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**SATURDAY/APRIL 14**

**The Mouse of Amberst.** 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. Tickets are $10/children; $15/adults. This original work for children, adapted from the book by Elizabeth Spieze, tells the story of a lonely mouse who strikes up an unlikely friendship with reclusive poet, Emily Dickinson. At Theater on the Run, 3700 S. Four Mile Run Drive, Arlington. Visit www.arlingtonfarm.com or 703-933-1111.

**HAUSMANN HOUSE OPEN HOUSE.** **10 a.m. to 4 p.m.** Featuring 60 exhibitors. The event is a way to learn about remodeling kitchens and baths, finishing or waterproofing basements, replacing windows and doors, as well as flooring, roofing, siding, gutter, and paving solutions, security systems, insulation, shelving, doors, and more from a wide variety of top-rate companies. At Walter Reed Community Center, 2999 South 16th St., Arlington. Visit arlhomeshow@columbiapike.org or call 703-892-2776.

**SUNDAY/APRIL 8**

**Easter Egg Hunt.** 11 a.m. Directly following 10 a.m. Easter Services at Bethesda United Church of Christ, 4347 Arlington Blvd. Arlington. Call 703-525-7715 to register or email paulestclair@embarc.com. Park in the Red Cross lot.

**MONDAY, APRIL 9**

**Theater Classes.** Explore folktales, clowning techniques, musicals and more. Encore Stage & Studio offers theater classes for grades K-12. Spring classes include Acting Up, Musical Musings, Funky Fortells and Light Clown Dark Swing, Cha Cha, and specialty dances. Couples and singles are welcome. Admission for NVOSDA members $10; non-members $12; children under 18 accompanied by a paying adult $5; PSDC members $10. Visit www.nvosda.org, call 703-860-4941 and leave a message.

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Yorktown Girls’ Lax Goes 3-3 Outside National District

Patriots bounce back from 1-3 start.

After dropping the season opener at West Springfield by a slim two-goal margin, “Yorktown girls’ lacrosse head coach Crystal Morgan said the Patriots wanted to show the Northern Region they could compete outside of the National District.

With all six of its regular-season non-district games in the books, Morgan hopes Yorktown made a reasonable case.

The Patriots entered spring break with a 4-3 record, including 3-3 against opponents outside of the district. Yorktown’s three losses came against teams that started the season with a combined record of 13-2, with two of the Patriots’ losses coming by two goals or less.

After losing to West Springfield 12-10 on March 12, Yorktown lost a lopsided contest against Centreville, 19-5. The Patriots then won their district opener against Mount Vernon before losing to South Lakes by one goal on March 20. Morgan wrote in an email that several starters were forced to sit out during the first half of the South Lakes game due to missing practice for various reasons.

When the starters entered the game, Yorktown couldn’t quite catch up, losing 12-11. Centreville started the season 5-0, while West Springfield and South Lakes each began the year 4-1.

Yorktown would bounce back from the 1-3 start, beating McLean (19-12) on March 22, Chantilly (13-11) on March 26 and Herndon (14-7) on March 28. Yorktown was also missing starters during the first half against Chantilly, a program that beat the Patriots 15-1 last season.

“When the South Lakes game, we struggled by missing those players, and we just couldn’t catch up once they were put in the game,” Morgan wrote. “But I was so proud of how we played during the Chantilly game, even with missing a handful of our starters, and especially proud of my typically non-starters who helped us keep the lead the entire game. I hope this has shown the region that we are contenders!”

Jennie Basile has been Yorktown’s most productive offensive player. The junior midfielder leads the Patriots with 18 goals, 10 assists and 17 draw controls. Sophomore Emily Spack has scored 13 goals, while junior Meaghan Galvin leads the team with 23 ground balls and eight knock downs/interceptions. She also has 12 goals, six assists and 11 draw controls. Senior captains Ella Richardson and Maddy Ernesto, and freshmen Kristen Somers each have eight goals.

Senior captain Rachel Kappel and junior Sarah Acs have combined for 10 knockdowns/interceptions as defenders.

Morgan called freshwater goalkeeper Erin Morrissey an “asset.”

Yorktown returns to action on April 10 against Falls Church. The Patriots have won six consecutive National District championships and opened district play this season with a 15-1 victory against Mount Vernon on March 16.

“This is when things start to really count,” Morgan wrote. “We are working hard toward another district title, and we know it won’t come easy. We’re ready for the challenge, though!”

—I Jon Roetman

Arlington Aerials Have Successful Championship Showing

The Arlington Aerials gymnastics team attended the Level 8-9 State Gymnastics Championships on March 24 and 25. The meet was held at the U-Turn Sports Center in Richmond.

The Aerials had 15 competitors (four level 9s and 11 level 8s) in the competition. The girls had a successful weekend, winning 24 individual event medals and nine all-around medals.

The level 8 team had its highest score of the season, earning an eighth-place finish out of 21 teams.

The biggest highlight of the weekend was that 11 of the 15 girls qualified to their regional competitions. Regionals will include gymnasts from Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The competitions will occur in April.

In level 9 competition, Holland Cathey (Alexandria) finished seventh on vault to qualify for regionals. Abby Neuberger (McLean) qualified for regionals on beam (second), floor (second) and all-around (third). Madeleine Sendek (Arlington) won the state championship on bars and finished second on beam and second in all-around, qualifying for regionals.

In level 8 competition, Lizzie Brown-Kaiser (McLean) finished fourth on vault, Jordan Mambert (Alexandria) was fourth on bars, Sammy Archer (Alexandria) qualified for regionals and Grace Girard (Alexandria) was a regional qualifier, finishing first on beam, sixth on floor and 12th in the all-around.

Eleanor Freed (Falls Church) qualified for regionals, finishing eighth on vault, eighth on bars, 12th on beam and sixth in the all-around. Jackie Green (McLean) was sixth on vault, second on bars, sixth on floor and fifth in all-around, qualifying for regionals.

Piper O’Donnell (Arlington) qualified for regionals, placing third on beam and fourth in all-around.

Sophomore Emily Spack (Falls Church) qualified second on vault, third on bars, sixth on beam, sixth on floor and fourth in all-around, qualifying for regionals.

Shannon Simmons (Falls Church) won the vault state championship and was second in the all-around, qualifying for regionals.

Claire Sanders (McLean) was a vault state champion, a beam co-state champion and finished second on floor and third in all-around, qualifying for regionals.
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By KENNETH R. LOUIE

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I do kid though. And as a cancer patient who’s been characterized/determined/diagnosed as “terminal” (when your oncologist advises taking that “vacation you’ve always dreamed of,” you’re terminal), the bloom is definitely off the rose; and as Dorothy said to Toto in “The Wizard of Oz”: “We’re not in Kansas anymore.” Nor am I. We’re in Maryland and we’re in trouble. Considering the fact that stage IV lung cancer patients rarely live beyond five years, and I’m now at the beginning of year four (miraculous in and of itself, I’m told); if ever there was a time to retain one’s sense of humor, it would be, in my opinion, when facing the kind of adversity that statistically speaking, I’m likely to face in the unfortunately not-too-distant future.

But as a lifelong Boston Red Sox fan, hope springs eternal. And just as Red Sox Nation was rewarded in 2004 and again in 2007 with World Series Championships breaking the 86-year-old “Curse of the Bambino,” stranger things have happened. Apparently one of which is you truly still being alive after my oncologist “prognosed” in March of ’09 that I’d probably be otherwise engaged by now, so I am a believer. In fact, I’m living proof. However, there are hardly any guarantees here. There are, as I sit in this room with half a dozen other individuals being similarly infused, lots of hope and fear – and anxiety. If one doesn’t embrace one’s fate, and we’re in trouble. Considering the fact that stage IV lung cancer patients rarely live beyond five years, and I’m now at the beginning of year four (miraculous in and of itself, I’m told), if ever there was a time to retain one’s sense of humor, it would be, in my opinion, when facing the kind of adversity that statistically speaking, I’m likely to face in the unfortunately not-too-distant future.

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