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Photos by Gerald A. Fill/The Gazette

Carter Moorman and Claire Trombley sit among the pumpkins.

St. Luke's Pumpkin Patch Opens

Fundraiser supports programs, charities.



Molly Rossiter, 6 months old, with her parents Joseph and Lauren Rossiter of Waynewood.

By Gerald A. Fill
The Gazette

Saint Luke's Episcopal Church on Ft. Hunt Road kicked off its fall Pumpkin Patch fundraiser — now in its 8th year — on Saturday, Oct. 6.

Pumpkins are purchased from an Indian reservation in New Mexico and shipped across the country. The Pumpkin Patch will be open to the public for pumpkin sales until Halloween unless it runs out of pumpkins.

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Patch Hours

Mondays: 11:30 a.m.-7 p.m.
Tuesdays through Fridays: 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; 3-7 p.m.
Saturdays: 10 a.m.-7 p.m.
Sundays: 11:30 a.m.-7 p.m.

Finally, Movement On North Hill?

Housing agency seeks proposals for high-density residential development.

By Nicholas M. Horrock
The Gazette

Mount Vernon District Supervisor Gerry Hyland said last week that the Fairfax Housing Department is expected shortly to issue a request for proposals from the housing development industry to build high density residences on part of North Hill, the largest area of vacant land along Route 1.

He said the housing authority decided to accept an unsolicited proposal by AHP Virginia LLC to build apartments for 204 families on the North Hill site in Hybla Valley. AHP's plan would include providing 9 percent of the apartments for low income residents. Accepting AHP means that it is now in competition with other developers

who may have a plan.

Rick Edson, the managing member of AHP Virginia, said his plan contemplates building the affordable units first and then high end apartments in a second phase. He said that he and other developers are watching the experience of the Beacon of Groveton, a 290-unit high end apartment building a mile north of North Hill. The Beacon of Groveton rents range from \$1,405 a month for an efficiency apartment to \$2,480 for a two-bedroom unit.

The Beacon of Groveton is one of the first of high end apartment residences built along Route 1, long an area characterized aging apartments, car agencies and strip malls.

The AHP firm, located in
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Murder Rocks Hayfield

Quiet residential neighborhood becomes murder scene.

By Michael Lee Pope
The Gazette

It's been almost 30 years since the last time a killing happened in the Hayfield neighborhood, a leafy suburban community west of Huntley Meadows Park. That was when a child gained access to a gun and accidentally shot another child. What happened last weekend seems much more intentional, according to Fairfax County Police officials, who have arrested 30-year-old Manuel Garces for the murder of 30-year-old Mark Earl Ives in the

5400 block of Broadmoor Street. "This is a quiet neighborhood," said Lorraine Monaco. "So we don't usually have things like this happen here. This is really an anomaly."

Neighbors say the feud between Garces and Ives was about a woman. Police say that dispute turned deadly at 2 a.m. on Oct. 7, when Ives died of trauma to his upper body. No weapons appear to have been used in the attack. Neighbors say Ives crossed the street after the attack and collapsed in the yard of a nearby
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Fairfax Station **\$915,000**

9764 Viewcrest Drive

The Manors of Ox Hunt: Stunning Stanley Martin custom home - quiet cul-de-sac. Interior offers traditional formal rooms, gourmet kitchen and 9+ foot ceilings. Glorious master suite w/master bath/2 person tub. Bed 2 is en suite. Basement has a complete au pair suite - 2nd Master with W/D, full kitchen, bdrm & den. Huge, professionally landscaped yard w/irrigation system. Quiet, yet moments from 123 & Frfx Cty Pkwy. **Lenny Marsh 703-282-6511**



Fairfax **\$799,900**

5502 West Ridge View Drive

West Ridge Estates: Sun-filled custom crafted home features Main Floor Mster w/door leading to large deck overlooking 5+ acres. Hardwoods thru-out with carpet in bedrooms. Huge storage closet/craft room. Central vacuum. Roomy country kitchen w/beautiful brick floor, GE Monogram and Jenn-Air appls. Custom German fireplace in tall, open living room. Gorgeous landscaping with private pool house containing pool & hot tub... **Lenny Marsh 703-282-6511**



Springfield **\$550,000**

8018 Langbrook Road

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Great Falls **\$882,000**

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Alexandria **\$599,000**

9305 Heather Glen

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Round Hill **\$649,000**

18970 Sullystone Lane

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Lorton **\$419,995**

7639 Summerhill Court

Summerhill: Exceptional home with numerous upgrades. Remodeled kitchen with granite counters, cherry cabinets, all stainless steel Kenmore appliances...all bathrooms remodeled, lower level with full bath, wet bar, ceramic tile floors, custom lighting...Main level all hardwood floors, separate dining room and family room w/frpl...home has all-new double-pane windows, new roof, gutters and downspouts... **Steve Frishmuth 703-346-6854**



Alexandria **\$760,000**

3505 Fort Hill Drive

Wilton Woods: Step Inside & See this Large 3,000 sq. ft. Crain-built Home - All the charm of historic Wilton Woods & all the modern amenities you need! New kitchen has Silestone counters, S/S appliances, island & more. Gorgeous hardwood floors & 2 fireplaces. Upstairs shines w/spacious bedrooms & updated master. Outside boasts private, fenced yard with pool, deck & putting green. 5 ft. storage area in basement! **Ally Gillette 703-307-5698**



Alexandria **\$699,500**

3310 Fallen Tree Court

Kings Landing: Huntington Forest! 3 Fin. Lvl. Full Walk-out LL, Formal LR, Sep Formal DR, Mn Lvl FR W/FP, Updated Kitchen w/Granite Ctrs, Island, Eat-In Table Space, Large Master BR W/ Dressing Area, Updated Bath, Wood Flrs LR, DR, Ent, & FR, New Neutral Carpet On Upper Lvl, Many Updates Throughout And Just Min. To Huntington Metro. **Allan Price 703-861-2424**



Alexandria **\$699,900**

2500 Cavendish Drive

Stratford Landing: The One You Have Been Waiting For in Stratford Landing! Beautifully remodeled home with new kitchen addition. Main level master suite with elegant bathroom. Another master suite upstairs. Eat-in kitchen with granite, gorgeous backsplash and S/S appliances. Hardwood floors throughout the main level. Fully finished walk out basement. Huge yard with storage shed. Hurry, this one is a beauty! **Allison Gillette 703-307-5698**



Springfield **\$539,900**

6708 Doane Avenue

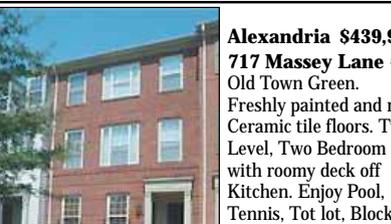
West Springfield: Long-time residents (owner/agent) have renovated and expanded 4-level split in popular West Springfield community. Improvements such as sunroom addition, expanded master suite (originally 4th BR, however can be converted back), updated kitchen/baths, plantation shutters throughout. Lots of outdoor living spaces (deck, patio and porch)! Walk to schools, public transportation, shops: great location! **Sandy Mathena 703-231-8639**



Alexandria **\$317,900**

3210 Ravensworth Place #844-32

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Alexandria **\$439,900**

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Alexandria **\$409,500**

7712 Bartley Way

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Gainesville **\$399,900**

13832 Tarleton Court

Glenkirk Estates: 2-zone HVAC, 3-story Colonial home located in a cul-de-sac. 4 bedrooms 2.5 baths, custom paint job, dual foyer, MBR has tray ceiling and luxury bath, Flat screen panel ready in MBR and Family rooms, eat-in kitchen, fireplace and ceiling fan in the family room, separate living, dining and den/office rooms & alarm system. Lawn mower included in sales price. Move-in ready. **Mike Flowers 301-938-2590**



Arlington **\$349,900**

4067 Four Mile Run Drive, #203

West Village @ Shirlington: Sunny And Bright 2 BR, 2 BA Condo w/Sunroom and Extra Storage. Fully loaded kitchen w/stainless steel appliances, granite countertops, 42 inch cabinets. Hardwood floors. Community amenities. **Rita Tassa 703-629-8624**



Alexandria **\$249,000**

4862 Eisenhower Avenue, #464

Exchange @ Van Dorn: Beautiful Split BR Model with Upgrades. Features granite counters, SS appl's, lam. wood floors throughout, generous BR's w/great closet space. Full Sz W/D, upgraded bath vanities & fixtures. Excellent building loc. near elevator, easy access to 2 garage spaces. Great neighborhood amen's & locn, near Van Dorn Metro. **Von Morris 703-501-2191**



Alexandria **\$524,900**

208-A Bellefonte Avenue, E

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703-313-6500
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Residential Development Proposals Sought for North Hill

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Bethesda, Md., has developed two other projects in the Hybla Valley area both containing housing for low income residents.

The decision to seek proposals for high density apartments or town houses on North Hill is a major shift for the housing authority which has worked for four years developing a plan to build a community of 67 manufactured housing units.

This latest change comes after 32 years of controversy over what to do with the North Hill which the county purchased in 1981.

HYLAND SAID a developer may also offer plans for the "front" of North Hill along Route 1 to include commercial operations but this would require a change in the Master Plan. The county is still planning to develop a 22-acre park on a portion of North Hill.

Whatever final plans are accepted, the entire project must be approved by the Fairfax Board of Supervisors. Jeff McKay, the supervisor for the Lee District which runs along the west side of Route 1 said several months ago that he thought a manufactured housing community would be a disaster.

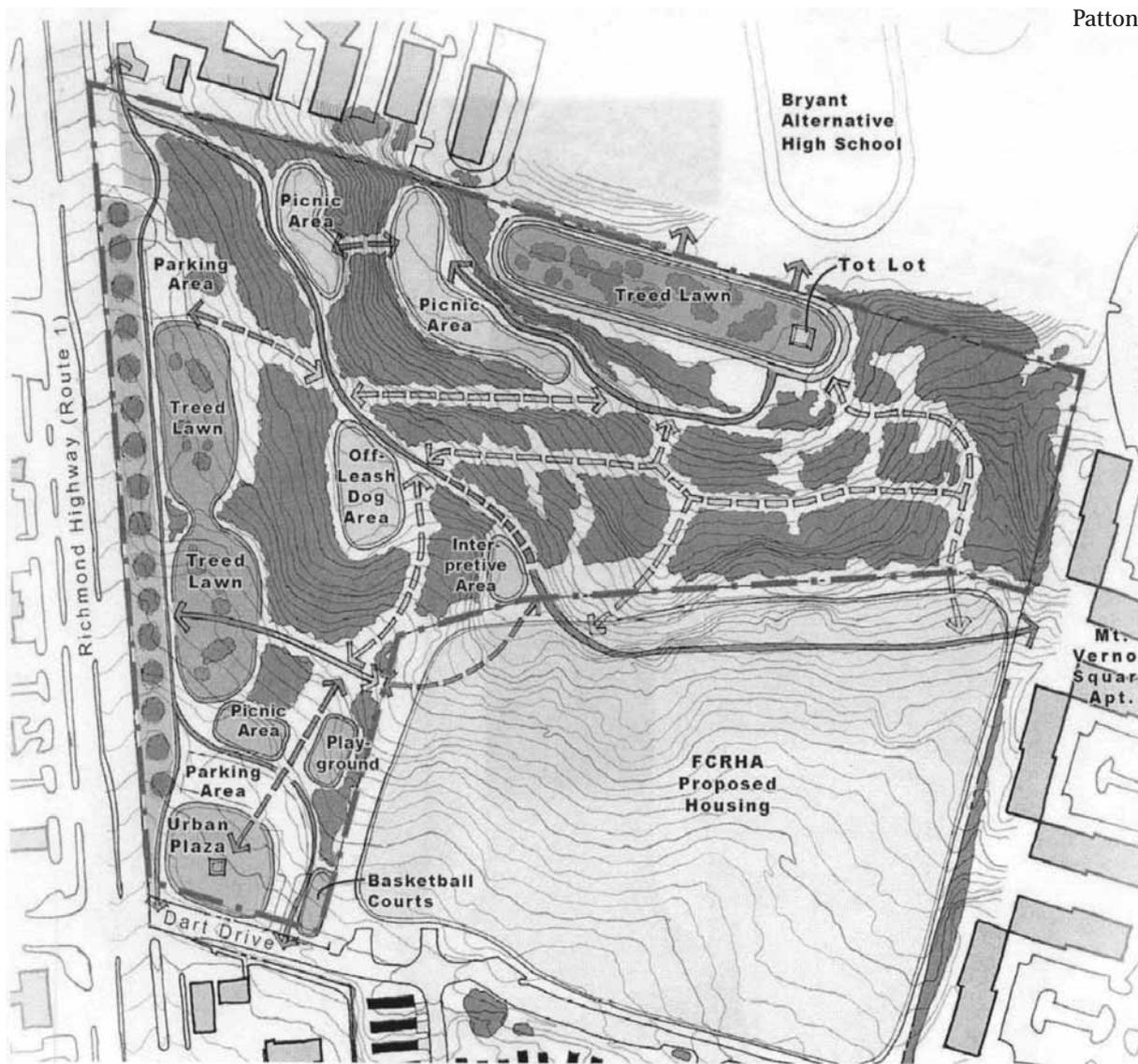
When the county purchased the 49-acre tract of land called North Hill it was operated as the Woodley Nightingale Mobile Home Park, a haphazard collection of 550 mobile homes, developed between 1953 and 1968.

The area lacked roads to accommodate fire engines; many of the trailers were dilapidated and had faulty electrical wiring and police said it was a source of crime throughout Hybla Valley.

At the request of citizen groups, Fairfax County obtained \$8 million in federal block grants from the Housing and Urban Development Administration and purchased the land and trailer sites under condemnation for \$5,250,000. Another \$3 million was spent on litigation and \$3 million relocating the park's residents. It took nearly 12 years to remove the mobile homes.

In 1991, the county opened Woodley Hills Estates, a manufactured house site of affordable homes with 115 pads for homes on 14 acres of the North Hill land. Currently there are no vacancies at Woodley Hills. It was under criticism from the start because all the mature trees were removed, leaving the metal homes open to heat and weather and destroying what some said were important examples of tree growth.

Over the next two decades there have



NORTH HILL PARK CONCEPTUAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN FEBRUARY, 2009

- ↔ ACCESSIBLE TRAILS (NEW)
- ↔ ACCESSIBLE TRAILS (EXISTING)
- ↔ OTHER TRAILS (NEW)
- ↔ OTHER TRAILS (EXISTING)
- PARK PROGRAM AREAS
- WOODED AREAS
- URBAN CORE

North Hill Conceptual Development Plan (February 2009)

been some half dozen plans to redevelop the remaining 34 acres and endless disputes over each of them.

David Versel, executive director of the Southeast Fairfax Development Corporation, said North Hill is the largest piece of undeveloped land between the Beltway and Ft. Belvoir and how it is developed may be important to improvement of Route 1.

Others think North Hill's tortured history is a symbol of how the Route 1 corridor south of Alexandria became an affordable housing ghetto — an area ignored by major developers and investors.

David Dale, a member of the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations opposes a current plan to build a low income manufactured housing community at North Hill. "It will send another signal that the county does not think Route 1 is a prime investment." He said the county's enormous investments in Tysons Corner, Reston and Merrifield were accompanied by major pri-

vate development.

NORTH HILL LAND belongs to Department of Housing and Community Development (formerly the Redevelopment and Housing Authority, RHA). The land is heavily wooded with scattered home pads and deteriorating asphalt roads. Though the area is fenced, Thomas W. Armstrong, a senior project manager for community development, said that they know homeless people are camping there. The land itself is in Mount Vernon, but across Route 1 Lee District is the managerial entity.

The owners of the various properties in 1981 refused to sell and the county could not make a detailed land study until after condemnation.

In September 1981, Law Engineering Testing Co. reported to the county that development of the northern end of park faced severe limitations where soil slippage combined with steep slopes.

Patton Harris, Rust and Associates were asked to submit a plan for re-development. It reported in March 1984 that development of a large commercial facility would be extraordinarily expensive. "The entire property is impacted by marine clay soils which present numerous problems in relation to construction," Patton Harris told the county. The firm proposed retaining walls "with the average height of 7 feet" to allow the existing slope to be re-graded.

In 1992, the housing authority came up with a plan to sell the remaining 34 acres to developer who would construct 276 unsubsidized, market priced townhouses selling for \$160,000 to \$170,000 and 60 apartments for moderate income elderly. The authority estimated it could recover \$5 million of the millions it had spent.

But then, 18 residents attended a housing meeting and urged the county to develop a park. One of them brought recordings of warbling birds at North Hill which were entered into the public record of the authority. Instead of approving the redevelopment plan, the authority voted to ask HUD if it could give the land to the Fairfax County Park Authority. The letter to HUD did not mention that a half mile from North Hill is Huntley Meadow, a Fairfax County park where birds have 1, 426 acres to warble.

Middle-class home owners in houses east of North Hill have seen the RHA projects as ways to bring more low incomes and moderate income residents into the Route 1 area where

there is a high concentration of subsidized housing. In addition to 115 family manufactured home community there 240 public housing units along Route 1, a 52-bed shelter and a group home within several blocks of North Hill.

Affordable housing supporters, like Elisabeth Lardner, chairman of the housing authority, was part of a government task force that found the number of affordable housing units in Fairfax decreasing as developers improved and raised the prices on units. She said she sees North Hill as a vital addition to the stock of available low priced housing.

This argument has swung back and forth for 18 years, keeping the land undeveloped.

IN THE INTERVAL, a gardening business wanted to build a Japanese garden park and several developers have made overtures.

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People

Young Designers on the Road

Two West Potomac High students start graphic design business.

By Yuhan Xu
The Gazette

When Wake Coulter and Adam Privette walked on the streets last summer, distributing flyers and business cards and telling strangers about their graphic design business, they saw confusion and hesitation on most people's faces.

"We usually send them our portfolio later to let them see what we've done," 17-year-old Coulter said. "That shows them we're pretty professional."

These two West Potomac High School seniors wearing T-shirts, casual plaid shirts and sneakers started "Creativity Ward" on their own, to provide such services as designing logos, posters, flyers and websites, as well as photo editing and video production. They created a website and a logo — two snakes around a paintbrush — to make the business "official."

"Adam is pretty independent," said his mother, Colleen Privette. "We just provided him a computer. He knows what he needs to do. I'm



Adam Privette (left) and Wake Coulter.

Photo by Louise Kraft/The Gazette

very impressed with their entrepreneurial skills."

Since then, they've been promoting their brand through Facebook and Twitter accounts. They have worked with at least a dozen clients, coming up with ideas, using Adobe InDesign, Illustrator and Photoshop to design whatever clients need. Whether a poster for a concert, a brochure for an IT company, or a Facebook page for a local restaurant, Coulter and

Privette always do multiple rounds of revisions until clients are happy.

"I think we're really good at this," Privette said. "We have a very modern appeal, I think. A lot of graphic designers like to do something in a more of complex way to make things look better. We really take a simpler approach. A lot of stuff we do is clean and smooth."

They charged \$10 an hour when they first started the business. Now

they raised that to \$15 to \$20 per hour for logo, flyer and poster design, \$500 flat rate for creating a website. And they usually charge less for their school design projects.

"We can really offer something that nobody else we know of can offer," Privette said. "We can do it in less time and pretty affordable."

Coulter and Privette now are able to earn some extra dollars from their business. Privette bought himself a DSLR camera since he enjoys photography; Coulter puts the money he earned into his saving account. "I don't know what I'm saving for," he said. "Maybe for a new computer or a big camera, hopefully something can help accelerate my art graphic stuff."

Coulter and Privette learned graphic design basics their freshman year and developed a strong interest in graphic design. Coulter works for the school newspaper as the focus editor and graphic designer, designing pages, formatting features and writing articles. Influenced by his father, who was a veteran illustrator at The Wash-



Photo Contributed

A poster Adam Privette designed for no texting while driving.

ington Post, Coulter liked drawing since he was little.

"Wake is a good drawer," said his father William Coulter. "We drew a lot together. I think he's more talented than I ever was. I'm glad they can find something to help their creativity. They have good taste and good design sense."

Privette obtained hands-on experience by working for Curcio Communications as a design assistant one year ago, where he designed event flyers, created PowerPoint presentations, improved clients' websites and their online presence.

"Adam has been given a breadth of assignments that he has completed efficiently and creatively," said Gale Curcio, who runs the company. "He is very bright, motivated and brings a fresh look to every task."

Although confident about their creativity and design skills, Privette says the hardest part of the business is to work with people, and they're still working on it. Some clients may not agree on an idea Coulter and Privette come up with; some clients may

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The Wilson Bridge looms ahead as the leaders of Sunday's Woodrow Wilson Bridge Half Marathon run along the George Washington Parkway near Mount Vernon.

Charities Win at Half Marathon

Ndereba, Johnson win 13.1-mile race.

By Jeanne Theismann
The Gazette

Drizzly skies couldn't dampen the spirits of more than 3,000 runners who took to the streets of Virginia and Maryland Oct. 7 in the Woodrow Wilson Bridge Half Marathon, won by Kenyan Samuel Ndereba in 65 minutes and 15 seconds with American Kellyn Johnson leading the women in 1:13:24.

"I'm feeling pretty good," said Alexandria's Edward Herty, a Navy lieutenant commander who finished the race in 2:27:07. "The weather the last couple of miles was tough but for the most part, it was an easy run."

Now in its third year, the Woodrow Wilson Bridge Half Marathon attracted elite runners from around the world and awarded more than \$15,000 in prize money to the top finishers.

"We're getting tremendous feedback," said race director and founder Steve Nearman. "We got a lot

of kudos for adding the Hoffman Town Center parking lot as a shuttle point. Buses are a huge logistical problem but I have a great team who not only executed the logistics well, but did it in the rain. They just nailed it today for the runners."

With Alexandrians Tom Curcio, Ed Farino and Tom Swinson riding the pace bicycles for the lead runners, Ndereba, 35, ran head-to-head for much of the race with second place finisher Fernando Cabada (1:05:40), the American 25K record holder. Deteje Girma of Ethiopia was third in the men's division with a time of 1:06:08 followed by American Frank Dever (1:06:32) and Birhanu Tadesse of Ethiopia (1:06:53).

In the women's division, Johnson, 26, took a commanding lead from the start to become the first American woman to win the 13.1-mile race that runs from Mount Vernon Estate to National Harbor. She broke the tape two minutes ahead of second-place finisher Aziza Aliyu Abate of Ethiopia (1:15:24) and a mere 40 seconds off the course record set in 2011 by Bekelech Bedada.

Ethiopia's Wayinshet Abebe Hailu finished third in 1:15:44 with Johnson's teammate and 2011 RRCA Roads Scholar Megan Herrick coming in fourth at 1:16:00. See Half Marathon, Page 6



Race volunteer Kathryn Herty gives husband Edward a congratulatory kiss at the finish line of the race.



Brooke Curran celebrates with David Kosub after completing the race. Kosub was competing in the NIB Visually Impaired Half Marathon Championships sponsored by the National Industries for the Blind.



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Alex./Wessynton \$624,900
8802 Four Seasons

Large, stunning, contemporary Colonial in popular Mount Vernon Community of Wessynton. This lovely home is highly updated: kitchen remodeled in '07, HVAC & hot water heater replaced '07, energy-efficient replacement windows, freshly painted interior - family room w/vaulted ceiling off kitchen - large beautiful picture windows throughout overlook a large, private, landscaped lot on a quiet cul-de-sac - In-law bedroom & bath on main level - 5 minutes to Fort Belvoir - This is a Keeper!



Alex./Yacht Haven \$939,000
4721 Tarpon Lane

WATERFRONT! Live the life you've imagined: Come home to this spectacular Colonial located on a waterfront lot (.61 acre) w/full working dock & quick navigable access to the Potomac River. Less than 100 yds to prestigious Mt. Vernon Yacht Club. Stunning rms & open floor plan on main lvl provide for fabulous entertaining. 5 BRs, 3 Full BAs + 2 half baths. 3,462 sq. ft. of above ground living & finished basement. Gorgeous Great Rm addition w/expansive windows, vaulted ceilings. Beautiful remodeled kit w/lighted cabinetry, granite counters, & center island. Kit, Great Rm & Den off of kit all offer deck access via French doors. 2 FPLs. Sunken living rm. French doors off MBR lead to beautiful "Lounge Rm" w/two lg skylights, & a wall of windows facing the waterfront side of the property. This home is a 10!



Alex./Riverside Est. \$498,900
3404 Ramsgate Terrace

TURN KEY—Beautifully updated 4 BR, 3.5 BA Colonial w/dbl carport on a lovely, landscaped lot w/fenced backyard. Updates since 2004 to include--kitchen, all 3 baths, HVAC, hot water, paint, hardwood floors refinished, deck, central vac and security system. Finished basement w/exterior exit. 5 minutes to Ft. Belvoir, 25 mins to National Airport. This is a Keeper!



Alex./Yacht Haven \$589,900
4612 Tarpon Lane

Lovely, updated 4BR, 4BA Split in sought after Waterfront Community of Yacht Haven. Stunning sun rm addition w/vaulted ceilings, sky lites, hdwd flrs and wall of windows overlooking a manicured backyard. Newer HVAC, updated baths, and replacement windows. Just down the street from prestigious Mt. Vernon Yacht Club w/all its amenities. 5 mins to Ft. Belvoir, 18 mins to Ntl Airport. This is prime property at a GREAT PRICE!!!



Alex./Mt. Vernon Grove \$499,900
4112 Scotland Road

Lovely 4 BR, 3 BA Split in the heart of Mt. Vernon on a spacious .33 acre lot. Beautiful hdwd flrs thru out the main lvl, freshly painted interior. Bright & light filled rooms, large 2-car garage & beautifully landscaped yard w/in-ground sprinkler system. 5 minutes to Ft. Belvoir, 17 to Old Town, 28 mins to National Airport & 35 mins to Pentagon/D.C. Priced for a quick sale.



Alex./Belle View \$259,900
6612 Boulevard VW #A2

Newly remodeled PORCH unit, shows beautifully. Lovely kitchen: granite counters, ceramic tile floor. Gorgeous bathroom with beautiful tile, everything brand new. Replacement windows. New flooring throughout, freshly painted. New screen door for porch. Convenient & ample parking next to bldg. FANTASTIC location: Steps to G.W. Pkwy, Potomac River, Bike Trail, 5 mins to Old Town. Bus to Metro.



Alex./Riverside \$444,900
8406 Wagon Wheel Road

This is a lovely home, beautifully renovated, on a large landscaped lot, in a great neighborhood, AND...at a great price! Open floor-plan, easy flow, gorgeous hdwd flrs main & upper lvls, replacement windows. Beautiful kit w/corrian counters & cherry cabinetry. Remodeled baths. Lots of light. Carpet. It's a Gem! Minutes to Fort Belvoir, 15 to Metro and Old Town.

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Half Marathon: From Mount Vernon to National Harbor

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1:18:19. Michelle Miller of Damascus, Md., rounded out the top five with a time of 1:19:57.

Ndereba and Johnson also were awarded the RRCA Virginia State Half Marathon titles, as were Masters winners Sergey Kaledin of Russia (1:15:43) and Kristin Markowicz of Arlington (1:26:58).

Winners of the Potomac Valley Association/USATF Half Marathon Championships were Miller and Devar. Masters champs were Markowicz and Joel Kinnunen.

The race also hosted the third NIB Visually Impaired Half Marathon Championships sponsored by the Alexandria-based National Industries for the Blind. Aaron Scheidies of Seattle (1:18:07), Matt Rodjom of Alexandria, (1:22:36) and Amy McDonough of Irmo, S.C. (1:23:58) led their

peers and inspired other runners along the course.

"There has been an incredible outpouring of appreciation of what the vision impaired runners are doing," Nearman said. "They are an inspiration to everyone in that race."

In addition to the prize money for the runners, Nearman presented more than \$14,000 to five local charities at a pre-race reception Oct. 6 at Mango Mike's Restaurant.

"We can't thank Steve enough," said Rebuilding Together of Alexandria Executive Director Katharine Dixon, who accepted a



Jonathan Nearman, 13, son of race director Steve Nearman, hands out medals at the finish line at National Harbor.



Rebuilding Together Alexandria Executive Director Katharine Dixon accepts a check for \$2,500 from race director Steve Nearman on behalf of the RTA Veterans Housing program. Nearman donated \$14,000 to five local charities at the pre-race dinner Oct. 6 at Mango Mike's Restaurant.

check for \$2,500 on behalf of RTA's veterans housing program. "Because of his efforts, we will be able to assist local veterans, active-duty service members and mili-

tism Speaks, Back on My Feet, Washington Area Women's Foundation and the RunningBrooke Fund.

"I have a great team who not only executed the logistics well, but did it in the rain. They just nailed it today for the runners."

— Race director Steve Nearman

tary families maintain safe and accessible housing."

Other nonprofits receiving checks were the Child and Family Network Centers, Au-

charities. I don't have the numbers yet but the amount of money raised online is likely to be quadruple what we presented."

With this year's race behind him,

"The checks we presented don't include any monies raised through our website," Nearman added. "Awareness is a big thing for us so we maintain a 'run with a purpose' link that allows donations to be made directly to any of the



Alexandria's Edward Herty, a lieutenant commander in the U.S. Navy, crosses the finish line of the Woodrow Wilson Bridge Half Marathon Oct. 7 at National Harbor.

Nearman wasted no time in looking ahead.

"I've already submitted the permit applications to the Park Service for next year," Nearman said. "I'm feeling very good about how my team executed on race day and am looking forward to an even better race in 2013."

For more information and complete race results, visit www.wilsonbridgehalf.com.

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Fairfax Police say the murder took place in the 5400 block of Broadmoor Street in the Hayfield neighborhood.

Neighborhood Becomes Murder Scene

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house.

"This is the first time we have had any kind of violence happen here in a long time," said Ed Thorne. "It's not the kind of place where murders take place."

Fairfax County public information officer Eddy Azcarate said Ives was dead when investigators arrived. Investigators immediately classified it as a suspicious death. Homicide detectives and crime-scene detectives descended on the neighborhood, and

the investigation continued throughout Sunday. They eventually approached the Garces family, who cooperated with police officials after a warrant was issued for his arrest. Garces turned himself in at 10 p.m. — about 20 hours after investigators first arrived on the scene.

"They got cooperation from his family," said Azcarate. "Eventually, Mr. Garces turned himself in." Ives lived in the Hayfield neighborhood, and Garces lives in Springfield.

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Email announcements to gazette@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is the Thursday at noon.

THURSDAY/OCT. 11

Discussion on Sex Trafficking. 7 p.m. The Mt. Vernon branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) invites the public to a free presentation by State Senator Adam Ebbin on the topic of Child Sex Trafficking in Northern Virginia. Senator Ebbin will discuss a recent Virginia law on preventing child sex trafficking through disseminating information in schools. Sherwood Hall Library, 2501 Sherwood Hall Lane. Call Jeanne Gayler at 703-765-7866.

Transportation Funding Meeting. 7 p.m. Mount Vernon Governmental Center, 2511 Parkers Ln. Fairfax County Board of Supervisors have launched an initiative to inform residents of the danger of allowing transportation revenues to continue to decline and local options available to help assure the county has the transportation network it needs to be globally competitive in the 21st century.

SATURDAY/OCT. 13

Annual Watershed Clean-Up Day. 9-11:30 a.m. Volunteers of all ages are welcome. Help collect tires, bed springs, bottles, cans and other debris from local waterways. Wear boots, old clothes and bring gloves. Trash bags provided. Call 703-768-2525 to reserve your section of the watershed. Huntley Meadows Park,

3701 Lockheed Blvd. **Flags Collecting.** 8:30 a.m.-noon. Boy Scouts Troop 505, based out of Mount Olive Baptist Church, will be collecting unusable American Flags for retirement and disposal at Arlington's E-Care Event. For those unable to attend the E-Care event, Flags will be collected by Troop 505 through Oct. 25. To make arrangements for flag pickup, call 571 481-0445.

MONDAY/OCT. 15

Mini Open House. 1 p.m. Tour Hollin Hall Senior Center with Jan Kestyn. Enjoy refreshments and observe some ongoing sessions. Call 703-765-4573. 1500 Shenandoah Rd.

TUESDAY/OCT. 16

Dinner Meeting. 6:30 p.m. The Evening Lions October dinner meeting will be held at Pema's restaurant. Davida Luehrs from the Foundation Fighting Blindness will be the speaker. Open to public. Contact Andrea Corsillo at 703-960-4973.

TUESDAYS/OCT. 16-NOV. 27

Seminars. 12:30-2:30 p.m. Join Fairfax County's Independent Living Project, a free series of educational seminars for older adults, along with exercise or yoga classes for strength and balance. The program also provides home safety visits for 60+ adults and adults with physical disabilities. Participation in the full See Bulletin Board, Page 8

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project is advised, and space is limited. At 7000 Schoonmaker Court. Register with Jennifer Edge at 703-324-7210, TTY 711 or email Jennifer.Edge@fairfaxcounty.gov. Visit <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/olderadultservices/independent.htm>.

WEDNESDAY/OCT. 17

Dispelling the Myths About Breast Cancer. 6:30-8:30 p.m. At Inova Mount Vernon Hospital, 2501 Parkers Ln. Visit www.inovalinktopink.org or call 1-855-MY-INOVA.

THURSDAY/OCT. 18

Parents Night. 6:30 p.m. The Administrative Staff of Mount Vernon High School will host the annual Information Night for Parents, In the Little Theater (entrance 4). Parents can learn about Mount Vernon High School test scores, academic programs, school plan, attendance and discipline policies. Email nardos.king@fcps.edu or call 703-619-3103.

SATURDAY/OCT. 20

Tauxemont Preschool Rummage Sale. 8 a.m.-2 p.m. The annual Tauxemont Cooperative Preschool

Rummage Sale features great deals on gently used infants', children's and adult clothes, toys, games, gear, books, electronics, household wares, furniture and much more. Rain or shine at the school at 7719 Fort Hunt Rd. Visit www.tauxemont.org

SUNDAY/OCT. 21

Free Health Lecture. 1:30 p.m. (in English) and 3:30 p.m. (in Spanish) "Divine Love: the Answer to Universal Health," hosted by First Church of Christ Scientist, featuring Christian Science lecturer, Jose' de Dios Mata. Sherwood Regional Library, 2501 Sherwood Hall Ln.

TUESDAY/OCT. 23

PrimeTime Business Expo. 7-9 p.m. Take a stroll down "Main Street" and meet the businesses that are in neighbors in the greater South Alexandria business community. At the Knights of Columbus Hall, 8592 Richmond Hwy. Free. Call 703-360-6925 or visit www.MtVernon-LeeChamber.org

FRIDAY/OCT. 26

Computer Lab Open House. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Meet the instructors and one-on-one volunteers, preview their curriculum and try the lab terminals. Light refreshments served. Call 703-765-4573 to reserve a seat. Hollin Hall's computer lab, 1500 Shenandoah Rd.

SATURDAY/OCT. 27

Free Mammogram. To celebrate the growing awareness around breast cancer, this free screening is available to all women over 40 who have a physician order. At Inova Mount Vernon Hospital, 2501 Parkers Ln. Registration is required. Call 571-423-5400.

MONDAY/OCT. 29

Medicare Session: "Getting Through the Medicare Maze." 10:15 a.m. Call 703-324-4600, TTY 711. Hollin Hall Senior Center for Creative Retirement, 1500 Shenandoah Road.

Safe Driving Course. 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Improve driving skills and possibly decrease auto insurance costs. \$12 for AARP Members and \$14 for non-members. Checks payable to AARP at time of sign-up. Call 703-765-4573 to reserve a seat.

PrimeTime Business Expo on Oct. 23

PrimeTime Business Expo is the opportunity you are looking for to meet great local businesses. Want to "shop local"? Take a stroll down "Main Street" and meet the businesses that are your neighbors in the greater South Alexandria business community. PrimeTime will be Tuesday, October 23,

from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 8592 Richmond Highway, Alexandria, VA 22309. There is no cost to attend. For more information contact Mount Vernon-Lee Chamber of Commerce, call 703-360-6925 or visit www.MtVernon-LeeChamber.org

Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Rd.

SATURDAY/NOV. 3

Church-wide Yard Sale. 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Baked goods and lunch also available for sale. At Cameron United Methodist Church located at 3130 Franconia Rd. Rain or Shine. Contact Marilyn by Oct. 22 at 703-765-6817 to purchase a table for \$20 if you want to be a seller.

THURSDAY/NOV. 15

"Chart Your Retirement" 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. George Mason University is offering a non-credit, 8-hour class at the Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Rd. Participants will discuss changing roles and relationships, work, the value of community involvement, and changing family commitments. Presenters will share tools to create a customized retirement plan. Since this is part of a pilot project for potential research, the university is offering this class at a reduced rate of \$40. Contact Lois Tetrick at ltetrick@gmu.edu

ONGOING

UCM's Back Porch Thrift Store is in need of donations of furniture. UCM will pick up furniture, as well as other larger donations, or they can be dropped off at the back of the store Monday through Saturday, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. To arrange for pick-ups, call 703-768-7106, ext. 320. Located

at the Mt. Vernon Crossroads Shopping Center at 7838 Richmond Hwy.

Volunteers Needed. AARP Tax-Aide, a national volunteer-run tax counseling and preparation service for low to moderate income and elderly citizens, needs volunteers to electronically complete and file federal and state income tax forms for the 2013 tax season. The program offers free five-day training using IRS computers and software. Volunteers become IRS Certified Tax Counselors after completing and passing the IRS examination. Training sessions will be held in Annandale, Centerville and Alexandria in Dec. 2012 and Jan. 2013. Visit www.aarp.org/taxaide.

Training Courses. The American Red Cross in the National Capital Region will host training courses in CPR, First Aid, and AED in the Alexandria and Fort Belvoir offices. These classes offer a two-year certification. Classes range from \$70-\$110 and will be held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, or Saturdays, dependent upon the participant's choice. Advance registration is required. To register for a class or find another class in your area, call 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit redcross.org/takeaclass.

EVERY THURSDAY

Dance for Parkinson's Disease. 1:30-2:30 p.m. At Heritage Presbyterian Church, 8503 Fort Hunt Road. Those with Parkinson's and caregivers are welcome. No dance experience necessary.



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Company Named Healthiest Employer 2012

Van Metre Companies, parent company of Mount Vernon Athletic Club, has been awarded Healthiest Employer 2012 by the Washington Business Journal. The company reports annual savings of \$200,000 in health care costs as well as receiving payoff in better team-building, higher worker productivity and more employee satisfaction.

Employees of Van Metre, a Fairfax real estate development company, are encouraged to perform an hour's worth of wellness activity per day at the company's 50,000-square-foot award winning fitness and tennis facility, the Mount Vernon Athletic Club.

Company founder Albert Van Metre purchased Mount Vernon Athletic Club as a place to foster health and wellness and to provide a community hub for the families in the Alexandria area. Mount Vernon Athletic Club is celebrating 40 years of business and was just featured on the cover of the October issue of Club Business International.

Corporate wellness coordinator, David Costa, who is also an accredited personal trainer promotes a pro-



Aaron Volbrecht (left), general manager of Mount Vernon Athletic Club, left, with David Fisher, personal trainer and corporate fitness director.

gram of exercising in small groups with boot camp, yoga, and educational videos and intranet blog health suggestions.

More information about Mount Vernon Athletic Club can be found at www.mtvac.net.



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Ketlen Solak, rector; Cathy McPeek, pumpkin chair, holding Mary Morgan; Janet Moffit, volunteer, with Benjamin Morgan and Henry Morgan peeking out from the holes.

Fundraiser Supports Programs, Charities

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Families are encouraged to come and have their pictures taken with the scarecrows.

Money raised from the Pumpkin Patch will be used to benefit the church members' youth pilgrimage, mission, and Shrine Mont retreat as well as outreach efforts. Ten percent will be donated to non-profit service organizations such as United Community Ministries, Rising Hope, and other organizations that serve individuals and families in need in the local

area.

Saint Luke's will also hold a Pumpkin Fest on Sunday, Oct. 21 beginning at 11:30 a.m. Visitors will be able to purchase grilled bratwurst, hot dogs, the church's own Pilgrim's Progresso Bean Soup, potato salad and pumpkin cake. The festival will also provide German music.

For more information and questions contact: Cathy McPeek, Pumpkin Chair: mcpeek@cox.net or St. Luke's Episcopal Church.



Inova Breast Care Institute and Inova Mount Vernon Hospital are pleased to present the following Ask The Expert class

Dispelling the Myths About Breast Cancer

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at 6:30 pm

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2501 Parker's Lane
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Opinion

Cancer Awareness

Success with breast cancer awareness should help other cancers.

October is breast cancer awareness month. Anyone connected to media of any variety already knows this. A massive marketing success, we all know that pink shows support for breast cancer prevention, especially in October.

For me, last month marked three years since I completed chemotherapy and radiation for breast cancer. Because of early detection, advances in treatment (surgery, radiation, chemotherapy and ongoing hormonal treatment in my case), and ongoing monitoring, my prognosis, and the prognosis for most of the 2.5 million breast cancer survivors in the United States, is excellent.

Still in 2008, the last year reported by the CDC, 40,589 women died from breast cancer. The same year, 210,203 U.S. women were diagnosed with breast cancer. It is the most common cancer for U.S. women other than skin cancers.

Breast cancer awareness month is the perfect time to be sure that you and/or the women in your life are following best practices for breast cancer screening. While in recent years, there has been some confusion about breast cancer screening, if you have a family history of breast cancer, it is never too early to talk to your doctor about how to approach your preventative care. All women age 40 or over should talk with a doctor experienced in breast health about when to begin screening mammograms and how often to have them. When it comes to what is best for your breasts, self exam, knowing your own breasts and what feels normal, is a low-tech, low-cost measure.

In January 2009, I found a lump in my breast that I knew immediately was not normal. A coworker's diagnosis of breast cancer had

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prompted me to have an overdue mammogram seven months before I found the lump, and that mammogram was perfectly normal. The mammogram after I found the lump showed the difference, a glowing spot that led the radiologist to say he would be "very concerned." The biopsy of the lump confirmed the concern.

Now three years later and cancer free, I can tell you that if I did not find that lump, if I waited two years for my next mammogram, my outcome would very likely have been different.

I share my experience in breast cancer awareness month, not because the experience defines me, but because I know how easy it is to put off a mammogram, how easy it is to miss months of self-checks, and because I know, early detection in breast cancer really can save lives.

THE SUCCESS of the breast cancer awareness movement has resulted in more than \$630 million annually in spending on research. It is not too much.

But at Connection Newspapers, we have two other employees who are in ongoing treatment for cancer. Kenny Lourie, who has stage 4 lung cancer, writes a weekly column that appears in most of our papers that discusses his more than three-year journey with candor and humor. Jean Card was diagnosed with Acute Promyelocytic Leukemia in early 2011 and has also written about her experience as she raises money for leukemia research and outreach. Visit www.LighttheNight.org and search APL Dumpling Gang.

Lung cancer kills more people in the United States every year than any other kind of can-

cer, in fact more than the other top cancers combined. In 2008, more than 208,000 people were diagnosed with lung cancer and more than 158,500 died of lung cancer. This is more than the deaths from breast, prostate and colon cancer combined. Spending on lung cancer research? Less than half spent on breast cancer, about \$280 million annually. As Lourie wryly points out, part of the problem may be that you can't turn out tens of thousands of lung cancer survivors for a march because, well, there are very few survivors over time.

Prostate cancer has more new cases per year and about the same death rate as breast cancer, but half the funding.

In 2012, there were an estimated 47,150 new cases of leukemia with 23,540 deaths, more than half the number of annual breast cancer deaths. But funding for leukemia research lags behind.

Nothing should be taken away from the efforts of breast health advocates. But clearly more effort is needed in other areas.

SPEAKING OF HEALTH RISKS, on average more than 20,000 people a year in the United States die from the flu. The numbers vary from year to year, with as many as 50,000 deaths in some years, and some studies showing the average number of deaths to be more than 35,000. The influenza vaccine is a cheap and effective method of preventing or reducing the impact of the flu.

Remember that no matter what health plan you have, there is just one person in charge of your health care: you.

— Mary Kimm,
mkimm@connectionnewspapers.com

Letter

New Meaning to Trashing Competition

To the Editor:

Last weekend, a Stratford Landing neighbor phoned me and informed me that three campaign signs had been stolen from his front lawn. There is a dumpster near his home and when he looked into it, he found at least 20 signs thrown in there, all for Republican candidates. It is sad that citizens who presumably cherish the First Amendment and its free speech protections decide to break the law by trespassing on the property of others and stealing their private property which is expressing their political views.

If you disagree with your neighbor's political views, don't express your disagreement by becoming a criminal. Instead, obtain your own signs and display them on your own property. Obtain bumper stickers and display them on your vehicle. At the Farmers' Market at Sherwood Hall Library each Wednesday, there are tables populated by supporters of the two major political parties. They are giving away campaign signs and bumper stickers there.

Let's display some civility in our political disagreements. That's the American way!

H. Jay Spiegel
Mount Vernon

Correction

In "Election Ready" [Mount Vernon Gazette, Oct. 4], the forms of identification listed and procedures for casting provisional ballots were outdated. Acceptable forms of identification include the following:

- ❖ Virginia voter registration card
- ❖ Valid Virginia driver's license
- ❖ Military ID
- ❖ Any Federal, Virginia state or local government-issued ID
- ❖ Employer issued photo ID card
- ❖ Concealed handgun permit
- ❖ Valid student ID issued by any institution of higher education located in the Commonwealth of Virginia
- ❖ Current utility bill, bank statement, government check or paycheck indicating the name and address of the voter
- ❖ Social Security card

A voter who arrives at the polling place without an acceptable form of identification will be given the opportunity to vote a provisional ballot. After completing the provisional ballot, the individual voting will be given written instructions from the election officials on how to submit a copy of his/her identification so that his/her vote can be counted.

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Finally, Movement on North Hill?

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The county has spent thousands of dollars studying the area. In March 2008, Greenhorne & O'Mara, Inc. was commissioned to conduct an "archaeological survey of North Hill" and two months later it delivered a 300-page report that said there was no significant prehistoric artifacts, some chips and other material from the 19th and 20th centuries and it did not recommend further study.

The park department has also conducted extensive tree surveys of North Hill.

The current plans envisage a 22-acre public park fronting in part on Route 1 and a 67- pad manufactured home community facing Dart Drive.

And like a nearly a score of plans put forth over the 32 years since the land was bought, this plan too has strong opponents and strong supporters.

Hyland told a citizen committee meeting in December 2010 that North Hill has dominated his political career since before he was first elected in 1987. From the beginning, Hyland said the county committed to build affordable housing for 550 families, but by 2010, he said "We're down to 66, not even half of what we committed to do." Calling North Hill "excruciating problem for all of us," Hyland said North Hill has split the citizens' councils and split the community.

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The county park authority approved its plan on Feb. 24, 2010 for a park with picnic areas, an off-leash dog walking, a basketball court and play grounds for small children. Efforts will be made to preserve valuable trees.

The housing authority gave a presentation at a public meeting on May 6, 2009 that estimated the site development costs of \$5,600,000 and "only a 5 percent premium for remediation of marine clay soils." It estimated \$1,100,000 for other development costs.

The plan said 20 units would be rental housing for families with incomes 30 percent of average medium income or below. HUD's income limit would be \$30,000 for a family of four. It would be buy 15 double wide units and five single wide units for this section at an estimated expenditure of \$1,600,000.

Another 47 units would for families with incomes 80 percent of the average medium income and below. Most of these units would be for sale. HUD's income limit would be \$64,000 for families of four.

All these figures were issued in 2009 and limits change annually.

The proposal carried photos of several types of manufactured homes priced from \$45,000 to \$104,000.

Accidental Apartment Fire in Mount Vernon

Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department units responded to an apartment fire, on Sept. 22, at approximately 10:05 a.m. in the Mount Vernon area of Fairfax County. The garden apartment is located at 7947 Richmond Highway.

Firefighters encountered heavy smoke and fire coming from the top floor and eaves of the three-story apartment upon arrival. The incident commander struck a second alarm, bringing approximately 60 firefighters to the scene.

Firefighters brought the fire under control in approximately 20 minutes. Firefighters were able to confine the fire to the apartment of origin.

Seventeen occupants were evacuated during the fire, and all were allowed to return later. Two adults and one child have been displaced. The

occupants were not at home when the fire broke out. The apartment management company was able to make a nearby vacant apartment for the displaced family available. There were no injuries.

Damage is estimated at \$60,000.

According to fire investigators, the fire was accidental. A halogen lamp too close to combustibles caused the fire.

The fire department issued the following safety tips:

- ❖ Keep at least three feet of clearance between an alternate heating source and anything combustible.
- ❖ Do not store combustible materials in closed areas or near a heat source.



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Mount Vernon High School Fall Festival and Bazaar

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Where: 7204 Harrison Lane, Alexandria VA 22306

When: Saturday, October 20, 10 a.m.-12 noon

Suggested donation: \$5

This family-friendly festival will offer entertainment, light food and drink along with arts, crafts and other kid-friendly activities. Food will include culinary delights from the homelands of our multicultural staff including bread made on an outdoor stove made of stones! Kids will enjoy facing painting, natural (temporary) henna tattoos, pumpkin decorating, a tire rolling contest and more. All will enjoy our drum circle, storytelling and tours of the property and grounds. Additional activities to be announced.

Who Should Come?
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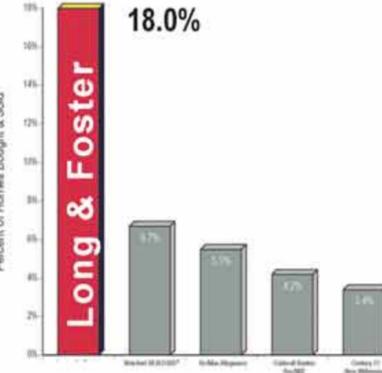
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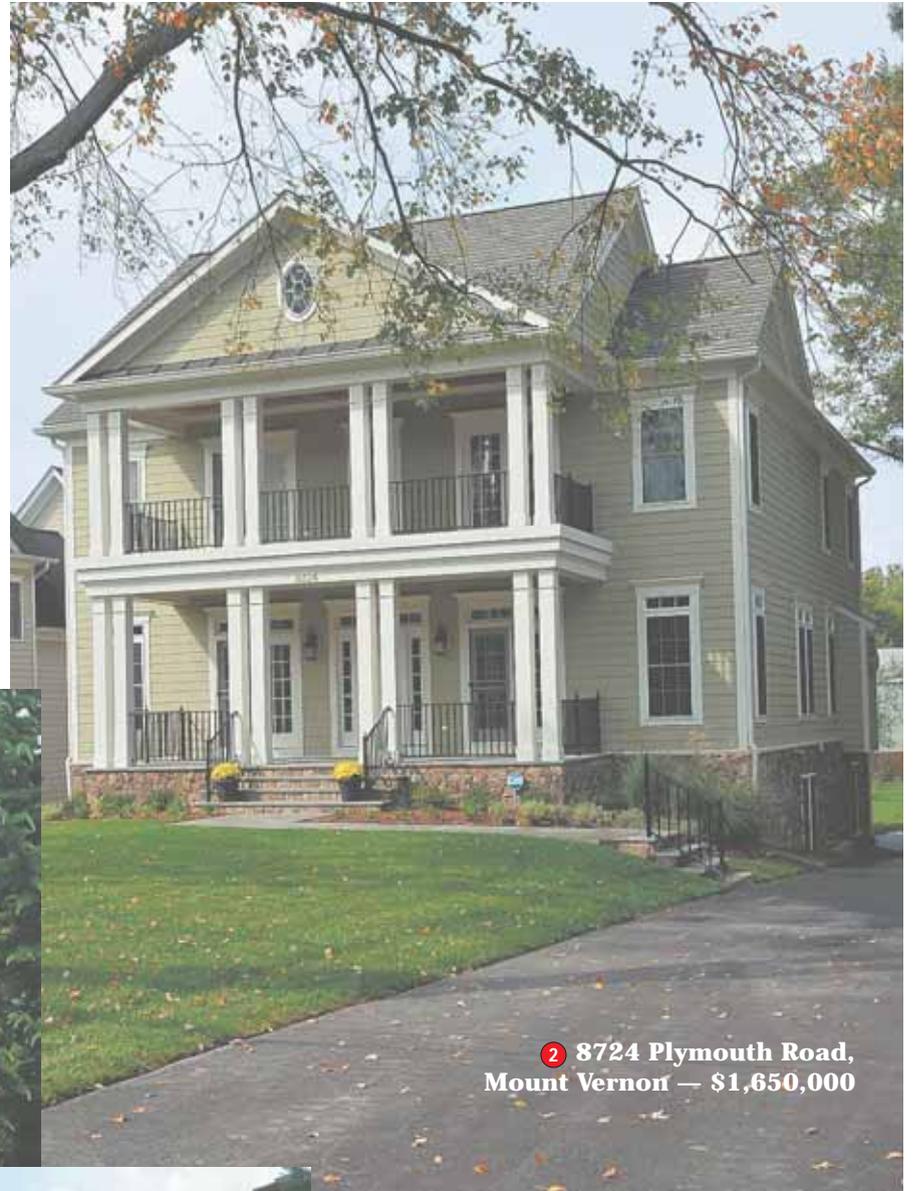
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In August 2012, 103 homes sold between \$2,000,000-\$92,000 in the Mount Vernon area.



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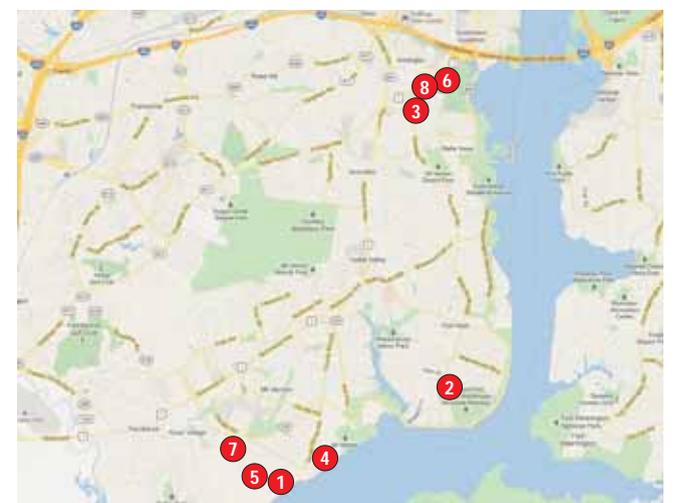
8 6102 Edgewood Terrace, Mount Vernon — \$1,050,000



6 6026 Edgewood Terrace, Mount Vernon — \$1,290,000



5 4740 Neptune Drive, Mount Vernon — \$1,325,000



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2 8724 PLYMOUTH RD	4	3	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$1,650,000	Detached	0.52	22308	PLYMOUTH HAVEN	08/03/12
3 2204 FORESTHILL RD	5	4	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$1,600,000	Detached	0.46	22307	BELLE HAVEN	08/30/12
4 9403 LUDGATE DR	5	4	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$1,450,000	Detached	0.37	22309	WASHINGTON WOODS POTOMAC	08/08/12
5 4740 NEPTUNE DR	3	2	2	ALEXANDRIA	\$1,325,000	Detached	0.50	22309	YACHT HAVEN EST	08/15/12
6 6026 EDGEWOOD TER	4	3	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$1,290,000	Detached	0.20	22307	BELLE HAVEN	08/30/12
7 9370 MOUNT VERNON CIR	5	4	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$1,265,000	Detached	0.56	22309	MT VERNON ON THE POTOMAC	08/24/12
8 6102 EDGEWOOD TER	4	3	1	ALEXANDRIA	\$1,050,000	Detached	0.19	22307	BELLE HAVEN	08/30/12

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'Ugliest' Bathroom To Get Makeover

Del Ray master bathroom voted area's most unsightly.

By Marilyn Campbell
The Gazette

Imagine a master bathroom with a Jacuzzi and a large picture window that allows streams of light to flow freely into the room. However, instead of marble, the whirlpool bathtub is encased in worn, beige carpet. In front of the window: the toilet, letting the entire neighborhood share in the user's private time. These features helped earn one Del Ray lavatory the title of Ugliest Bathroom.

"It is a disaster area," said Kristen Gentile, who, along with her husband, Jim Krustapentus, "bought a classic Del Ray fixer-upper in late 2009. For the last three years we've been trying to turn the house into our dream home without breaking our budget. The master bathroom kept slipping down our list of projects."

Then, Gentile and Krustapentus entered Advanced Construction Group's Ugliest Bathroom Contest and won a \$10,000 makeover for their eyesore of a room.

"We knew we would be good contenders for obvious reasons," said Gentile. "Our bathroom has no style and even less function."

ADVANCED CONSTRUCTION GROUP accepted entries from the Alexandria area and selected four finalists, which were featured on the company's Facebook page. The public voted for the most unsightly bathroom.

"Two of the entries went viral and garnered around 1,000 votes a piece and of plenty of comments," said Chad Sparrow, who owns Advanced Construction Group.

Gentile explained that the couple's family and friends embraced the idea and helped drum up votes. "We have friends who are bloggers who ended up blogging about it. It was an amazing whirlwind week," she said.

After learning that their bathroom had been selected as the ugliest, the couple met with Advanced Construction Group to discuss preliminary plans for the bathroom's overhaul.

"We're going to gut the entire bathroom and replace the Jacuzzi



Photo courtesy of Advanced Construction Group

This carpet-clad Jacuzzi helped this Del Ray lavatory win Advanced Construction Group's Ugliest Bathroom Contest.

with a custom-built walk-in shower, floor to ceiling tile and a glass entry," said Sparrow.

"It will be a brand new master bathroom with ceramic, new fixtures and new hardware," added Justin Sparrow, also of Advanced Construction Group.

Gentile and Krustapentus, who have two daughters, are in the pro-

cess of selecting materials and are deciding on the look they want for the room.

"We're looking to turn it into a more functional space for our family," said Gentile. "We want it to be a calming space with a little bit more of a modern feel. We have this vision of a carpetless bathroom in our future and it is kind of awesome."

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Home LifeStyle

Creating a New Point of View

Custom-designed two-level window wall invites indoor/outdoor continuity.

By John Byrd
For The Gazette



Sun Design Remodeling's two-level window wall brings in natural light and visual continuum, yet satisfies exacting building codes regulating large-scale glazing solutions. Improvements to the Mulligan home received a National "Contractor of the Year" Award.

Nick Bonadies can point to the 25' x 16' custom window wall in a newly remodeled home in Fairfax as a kind of triumph of glazing aesthetics over the challenges of wind. Bonadies, who is director of sales and design at Sun Design Remodeling, knows this problem well, and encounters it often: "Homeowners come to us for design ideas that will open up space and invite indoor/outdoor continuum," he said. "But new Fairfax County's rules on wind-resistance requirements for large-scale windows are quite technical, and demand thoughtful engineering."

For instance, since wind-load has been known to cause exposed windows to crack and even shatter, the code outlines exacting specifications on the relationship of a window's size to its distance from adjacent bracing panels.

Hence, Bonadies and colleagues are always investigating engineering solutions that will not only satisfy code, but give homeowners the exceptional effects they're seeking.

Case in point, Gini Mulligan, whose 2,200 square foot 1960s split foyer Sun Design recently converted into a 4,238 square foot French colonial complete with wrap-around porches, a new master bedroom suite addition, and a spacious gourmet kitchen that boasts a jaw-dropping view of towering backyard trees.

"We bought this house over 20 years ago — mainly because of the lovely woodland setting," Mulligan said. "So it's funny that I spent so many years gazing out of a small back window, trying to imagine how the house would feel if we could only create a stronger visual linkage to our surroundings."

"And the strangest part is — I knew what I wanted all along," she said, "I just didn't have any idea how to achieve it ...until recently."

Recently would be the period in late last year when Mulligan began describing her vision to Bonadies and team.

"Every interior plan that concentrates on indoor/outdoor continuum will entail a lot of technical considerations," Bonadies explains. "And every now and then — one piece of the equation is especially tricky...asks you to introduce a wholly original process."

In this case, the sheer scale of Mulligan's vision — a two-story rear elevation window wall that enables occupants to see backyard tree tops even from the front foyer — presented dozens of feasibility questions, all of which had to answer to stringent code requirements. "We knew Gini's vision called for a custom-designed two-level frame," Bonadies said. "But here's the rub ... the width of a wooden frame needed to ensure wind-shear resistance would be so thick it would actually restrict the view."

"That's when we proposed a steel 'moment' frame," he said. "This is still pretty unusual in a residential setting — but it's proven to be a very effective way to create a dramatic glazing component."

Among the challenges: zero tolerance for error. Since

all the frame's constituent parts are created off-site, there's no way to cut, bend, shape or finesse its pure tempered steel once the on-site assembly is underway.

"The design and fabrication must be absolutely precise," Bonadies said. "Otherwise, the project fails."

To assist in the execution, Sun Design engaged a local sculptor known mainly for outdoor art forged by welding steel and iron. The process took two days. The glass panes — which have a high-level of thermal resistance — were, likewise, cut by hand and fitted into the frame.

"It all looks very delicate, and the process is quite intricate," Bonadies said. "But this window can withstand winds of up to 90 mph."

OTHER ASPECTS of the new interior focused on developing confluent traffic patterns, and — of course — unfettered sightlines.

"Every room in the house is visually linked to the setting," Mulligan said. "This time of year, we're treated to colorful oak and

maple foliage. In winter, its snow-dusted hollies."

The gourmet kitchen itself — which required extending the floor space previously allocated to a small "bump-out" — was designed to recall the couple's two-level A-frame cabin on the Shenandoah River.

"The reverse gable and window expanse make the space feel much bigger than it actually is. Anyone coming into the house immediately gravitates towards the view," Mulligan said.

The reconfigured first level plan also proves congenial for any number of entertainment scenarios.

Last month the Mulligans hosted a fete for 300. Since the kitchen can be accessed from three sides — living room, dining room and back deck, Mulligan finds it easy to tend to both food preparation and hostess duties.

Counter surfaces with stools function as a handy serving station between the cook's work zone and the dining room. A second back-facing counter offers a comfortable perch for gazing into the leafy backyard over food and drink.

The feature that really unifies the first level plan, though, is a porch that wraps the house on three sides. The kitchen and two rear bedrooms offer direct access to the deck — a feature that allows inhabitants to wander spontaneously into the fresh air. The wide front porch is, likewise, an open invitation to sit quietly and take in the beautiful surround.

Details

Solutions used in the remodeling recently won a National "Contractor of the Year Award" for best residential addition in the \$100,000-\$250,000 category by the National Association of the Remodeling Industry.

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OBITUARY
Benjamin Irving Johns, 88, died Friday, October 5th at Westminster Canterbury of the Blue Ridge in Charlottesville, Virginia

He was born in Farmville on February 19, 1924, to Reuben Benjamin and Mary Page Irving Johns. After graduating from Farmville High School, he attended St. Christophers in Richmond for a PG year. In 1944, he graduated from Hampden-Sydney College with a B.S. and served in the Navy with the V-12 program, later achieving a MS in Biology from UVA. Starting his 39 year teaching career at St. Stephens School in Alexandria, Ben subsequently taught at Episcopal High School from 1958 until his retirement in 1989. He was head of the Science department at both schools and was AP Biology reader for ten years. He loved coaching; after football and basketball, he primarily coached Varsity Tennis for over 20 years, and was honored by the IAC by naming the league Tennis tournament "The Ben Johns Invitational," in which 2 of his grandsons later played. His passion for tennis continued well into his retirement.

He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Elizabeth Newell Johns and four children, Mary Page Johns Sullivan, Elizabeth Johns Ferguson (Richard), Benjamin Irving Johns Jr.(Deb), and William Randolph Johns (Chrissy) along with his beloved grandchildren, Elizabeth Sullivan, Mac Sullivan, Smith Ferguson, Martha Ferguson Burke, Tucker Johns, Bo Johns, Gibson Johns, Gussie Johns, Lucy Grace Johns and Henry Johns.

Ben's passions were, primarily his family, nature, animals, and sports of all kinds. He kept active up until the end with his motto, "I have never said I'm too old to do anything."

A memorial service will be held in the chapel at Westminster Canterbury of the Blue Ridge, in Charlottesville, VA on Tuesday, October 9 at 3:30 followed by a reception with the family.

Family suggest that memorial contributions be made to the Go Bo Fund, in honor of grandson, Bo Johns, P. O. Box 25685, Washington, D. C. 20027 or St. George's Independent School, 1880 Wolf River Blvd, Collierville, TN 38018.

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stop contacting them when the project's going on. But these occasional incidents teach them lessons that not to be learned from school.

"I think it really prepares me for the real world," Privette said. "I've learned a lot about how to communicate with people. I can actually go into a store and have a conversation with people without feeling awkward. I would never be able to do it at all before."

As high school seniors, Coulter and Privette now only have time to work on the design business during weekends or evenings after finishing homework. Both of them want to pursue something related to the graphic design business in the future. Privette would like to do business or marketing. "I'm more business oriented," he said. "I work a lot with clients. I think that's what I really fit into."

"I definitely will start my own business in college if Adam and I go to different colleges," Coulter said. "And I want to study studio art — that kind of stuff. I also want to be an illustrator."

School Notes

Email announcements to gazette@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Thursday at noon. Photos are welcome.

OCT. 11-13

Mount Vernon High School Homecoming 2012. The theme this year is Under the Big Top. Thursday, Oct. 11: Pep Rally during Major Time in the Fieldhouse. Friday, Oct. 12: Football Game, Melvin B. Landes Stadium at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13: Homecoming Dance, MVHS Cafeteria from 7-11 p.m.

SATURDAY/OCT. 20

Annual Fashion, Beauty, and Lifestyle Expo. 2-8 p.m. West Potomac Academy Fashion Design students will be working backstage at the fourth annual Fashion, Beauty, and Lifestyle Expo at the Washington Convention Center. All-day runway fashion shows, free beauty makeovers, and information on design and style trends. America's Next Top Model runway coach J. Alexander will headline the event. WDCW-TV-DC50 is producing the Fashion, Beauty, and Lifestyle Expo in conjunction with West Potomac Academy educator Maggy François.

Military Notes

Air Force Airman Keteris L. Tucker graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. Tucker is the daughter of Lisa Johnson of San Leandro Place, Alexandria, and granddaughter of Doretha Jones of W. Evergreen St., Youngstown, Ohio. The airman graduated in 2010 from Mount Vernon High School, Alexandria.

Air Force Airman 1st Class Ariel D. Guzman graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. He is the son of Abelardo Guzman of Bass Court, Alexandria. Guzman graduated in 2007 from West Potomac High School and received an associate degree in 2010 from Northern Virginia Community College, both of Alexandria.

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Lori Williams in Concert at MetroStage

Lori Williams, one of MetroStage's favorite performers, will be in concert Monday, Oct. 15 at 8 p.m. when she officially launches her second CD, "Eclipse of the Soul." Lori was most recently seen at MetroStage in the world premiere award-winning "Cool Papa's Party" and prior to that she performed in "All Night Strut," a musical celebration of the '30s and '40s. She will be seen next January at MetroStage in the world premiere of "Ladies Swing the Blues." She launched her first CD "Healing Within" at MetroStage in 2010.

Lori will be performing with some of D.C.'s finest jazz musicians led by pianist and conductor, Allyn Johnson. The musical accompaniment also includes keyboard, drums, bass and saxophone and three back-up singers. Lori's sorority sister, Allison Seymour, well known to Washington audiences as the morning news anchor for WTTG, Fox Channel 5, will be the host for the evening.

Special guest and renowned gospel singer, Robert E. Person, who is also one of the backup singers, will perform the solo, How Great is Thy Faithfulness. This year Robert was honored with two awards at The Gospel Blue M.I.C. Achievement Awards held during the Indie Gospel Alliance Music Conference, was voted Artist of the Year and was awarded an exclusive distribution contract. Most recently, Robert was honored in Baltimore with the 2012 Newsome Gospel Music Award for Male Vocalist of the Year.



Photo by Christopher O. Banks

Lori Williams in MetroStage's production of "All Night Strut!" by Fran Charnas.

Both Lori and Robert have performed at the famed Blues Alley to sold-out audiences. Critics have compared Lori's combination of soul and technical prowess with Ella Fitzgerald. Great music, great artists, and beautiful souls are all performing here at MetroStage, Monday, Oct. 15 at 8. Immediately following the performance there will be a meet and greet and reception in the lobby. The ticket price of \$30 includes Lori's new CD. Other CDs, including Robert E. Person's "Soul Sanctuary" will also be on sale.

The theatre is at 1201 North Royal St. in North Old Town, Alexandria. Call 703-548-9044 for tickets or visit www.metrostage.org.



Alexandria Arts Safari

Celebrate the Torpedo Factory Art Center's 17th Annual Alexandria Arts Safari, Saturday, Oct. 13, from noon-4 p.m. Get creative with a combination of new art activities and old favorites including: Arts Safari Painting; Clay Experience; Fiber Art; Block Printing; Fabric Collage; Giant Papier-Mâché Animal, which will live at the Torpedo Factory year-round; Origami Treasure Boxes; Playing with Plastic; and Giant Chalkboard Art. Also enjoy the return of The Art League's Gallery Scavenger Hunt; Potter's Art in The Alexandria Archaeology Museum; and a free prize drawing. Enter at the welcome table for a chance to win tickets from the Potomac Riverboat Company. With Arts Safari, the Torpedo Factory Art Center joins more than 200 institutions nationwide in the 3rd annual celebration of American Craft Week Oct. 5-14.



'In the Garden'

Browse open studios, interact with artists, and enjoy refreshments. Thursday, Oct. 11, 6-9 p.m. Free exhibition including "In the Garden" by Luisa Mesa, Target Gallery's "Homage: Past Influences." Reception begins at 6 p.m., gallery talk at 7 p.m. At Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Visit www.torpedofactory.org or call 703-838-4565.

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Thursday/Oct. 11

Second Thursday Music: Danielle Westphal & Ken Giese. 7 p.m. \$10. At the Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Tickets are available online at nvfaa.org or at the door.

Second Thursday Art Night: Past & Present. 6-9 p.m. Browse open studios, interact with artists, and enjoy refreshments. Free exhibition including "In the Garden" by Luisa Mesa, Target Gallery's "Homage: Past Influences." Reception begins at 6 p.m., gallery talk at 7 p.m. At Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Visit www.torpedofactory.org or call 703-838-4565.

Friday & Saturday/Oct. 12 & 13

Live Music. 7:30 p.m. Singer-songwriter Dar Williams will perform at The Birchmere, co-headlining with Loudon Wainwright III. Williams tours in support of her ninth studio album, In The Time Of Gods. Visit www.darwilliams.com. Tickets are \$45. The Birchmere Music Hall is located at 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Call 703-549-7500 or visit www.birchmere.com.

Saturday/Oct. 13

17th Annual Alexandria Arts Safari. 12-4 p.m. Free. The Torpedo Factory Art Center hosts the 17th annual Alexandria Arts Safari, a FREE day of hands-on arts and crafts activities for kids and their families. Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Call 703-838-4565

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Music Event. 8-10 p.m. David W. Jacobsen's will play at St Elmo's Coffee Pub to promote his newest album, Not What I Meant. 2300 Mount Vernon Ave. Call 703-739-9268. All Ages. Visit <http://davidwj.com>.

St. Louis Community Fair. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Events include pony rides, giant moon bounces, tons of games, rock wall, arts & crafts, BINGO, food, beer tent, vendors, and an apple pie bake-off. All are welcome. Small fee for each activity. Call 703-799-4844. Held at St. Louis School, 2901 Popkins Ln.

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Chamber Music. 7:30 p.m. The concert will feature music of Barber, Fauré and Ibert by NSO Youth Fellowship young artists Elise Kelle, Emma Resmini and Abigail Tucker. St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 8009 Fort Hunt Rd. Tickets are \$20, \$15 for seniors, \$10 for students and teachers. Visit www.saintlukeschurch.net or call 703-765-4342.

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Historic Huntley. 6 p.m. Girl Scouts will have a chance to brave a night in the historic house and hear about ghost stories at a program called History on Haunted Hill. Historic Huntley also hosts programs for scouts to earn merit badges, for homeschoolers seeking out local history, and for the general public.

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Information about all of the programs at Historic

Huntley is available www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/huntley-meadows-park/historic-huntley.htm or by calling Huntley Meadows Park at 703-768-2525. Historic Huntley is located at 6918 Harrison Ln.

Annual Family Fall Festival. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Entertainment features Beale Street Puppet Theatre and the sounds of "Skystone," an Alexandria favorite band performing bluegrass. Some activities, shows and exhibits are free, including the Jerome "Buddie" Ford Nature Center, face painting, pumpkin painting and hay rides. Tickets will be sold for \$5 each or 4 for \$15 for the pony rides, moon bounce, bouncy boxing and scarecrow building. Food and beverages will also be available for purchase. At Armistead L. Boothe Park, 520 Cameron Station Blvd. Rain or shine. In case of inclement weather, the Festival will move indoors to the Samuel W. Tucker Elementary School, 435 Ferdinand Day Dr. The public is encouraged to bike, walk or take public transit to

the event. Visit www.alexandriava.gov/recreation, or call 703-746-5592 or 703-746-5418.

Consignment Sale. 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Beverley Hills Church Preschool will be selling a large selection of quality clothes, toys, baby equipment, maternity clothes and more. All proceeds will support the new Beverley Hills Church playground. At Beverley Hills Church Playground, 3512 Old Dominion Blvd. Visit www.bhcn.net.org/playground.

Concert. 7 p.m. Focus Music in Mount Vernon presents a co-bill of folk/pop singers Susan Greenbaum and Carey Creed at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church. Tickets are \$18 general, \$15 in advance at FocusMusic.org. St. Aidan's is located at 8531 Riverside Road., between Fort Hunt Road and Route 1.

Fall Rummage Sale. 8 a.m.-12 p.m. The FHP Kids Rummage Sale features high-quality used infants', children's and maternity gear, including clothing, toys, games, books and furniture. There will also be some household bargains on linens, kitchenware and decorative / seasonal items. Rain or shine. At Ft. Hunt Preschool located at 1909 Windmill Ln. Visit www.forthuntpreschool.com or call 703-768-7584

Not Your Mother's Tupperware Party. 1-5 p.m. Start holiday shopping with some independent businesses in the area, including Slpada, Thirty-One, Party Lite and more. Enjoy the day, have a bite to eat, listen music and get blood pressure checked. At Nativity Lutheran Church located at 1300 Collingwood Rd.

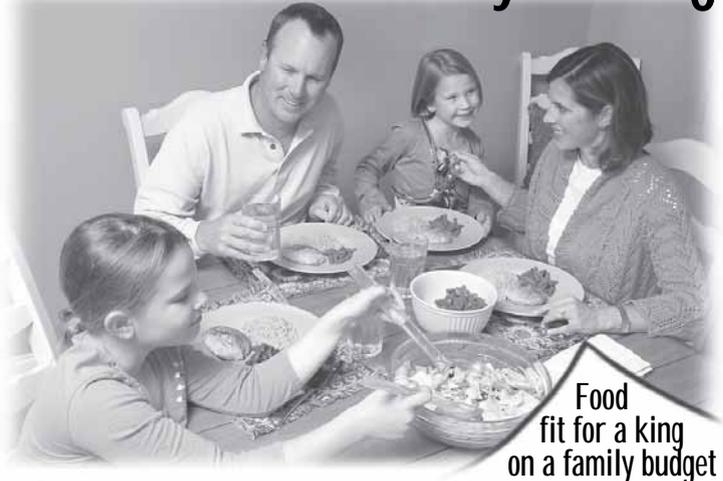
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Bridal Show

Occasionally Cake is hosting a free wedding cake tasting at their Alexandria location, 207 King Street, from noon to 4 p.m. on Sun., Oct. 14. The will feature samples of their popular wedding cake and cupcake flavors as part of a two-hour, free Wedding/Bridal Show, co-sponsored with White Ribbon Studios Photography. Other wedding vendors will showcase music, wedding attire, limousines, hair salons, wedding venues, restaurants and jewelry. Call 703-647-9638 or visit www.occasionallycake.com.

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Entertainment

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Sunday/Oct. 14

Gadsby's Sutler Market & Lectures
12-4 p.m. Experience shopping 18th century style at Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 N. Royal St. Call 703-746-4242.

Carillon Music Comes Alive. 4 p.m. Virginia Bronze Handbell Ensemble is joined by Karen Ashbrook (hammered dulcimer and wooden flute) and Paul Oorts (harp guitar and accordion) to

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present a program of music originally written for the carillon. Admission: Adult - \$20, Senior - \$8, Student - \$5, Family - \$20. George Washington Masonic Memorial, 101 Callahan Dr. Call 888-824-2541.

Estate Sale. 9:45 a.m.-11:45 a.m. The Beth El Hebrew Congregation is holding an online estate sale of Judaica at <http://betheljudaicaestatesale.org>. You may also attend a sale in person at the Beth El Hebrew Congregation at 3830 Seminary Rd. Individual pieces are being sold from \$35 up to \$1,750.

Fall 2012 YoKid Challenge. 12-5 p.m. Learn a sequence 108 sun salutations. This free event is open to all ages. No yoga experience is required. Door prizes and snack will also be given out during the event. Free t-shirts and yoga mats are also available for those who pre-register at www.yokidchallengefall2012.eventbrite.com. Mount Vernon Recreation Center, 2701 Commonwealth Ave. Call 703-746-5556.

Monday/Oct. 15

Tower of Power. 7:30 p.m. \$49.50. Visit www.towerofpower.com. The Birchmere Music Hall is located at 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Visit www.birchmere.com or call 703-549-7500.

Tuesday/Oct. 16

Senior Services of Alexandria's Oktoberfest. 5:30-8:30 p.m. Support Senior Services of Meals on Wheels program at Oktoberfest Tour and Tasting at Port City Brewing Company, 3950 Wheeler Ave. Space is limited. RSVP by calling 703-836-4414 x10 or emailing admin@seniorservicesalex.org. Visit www.seniorservicesalex.org.

Genealogical Society Meeting. 1 p.m. The presentation "Rogues and Rascals: Divorced, Litigious or Downright Criminal Relatives" will be presented. At the Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Rd., #112. Free and open to the public. Visit www.MVGenealogy.org.

Wednesday/Oct. 17

Decorative Tile Show. 9:30 a.m. The Alexandria/Mount Vernon Antiques Club will feature member Carolyn McDonald, with her collection of Decorative Tiles. Open to the community. Call 703-765-4573 to reserve a seat. Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Rd.

Free Concert. 7:30 p.m. Recognized as one of the "finest all-male collegiate



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Carey Creed



Susan Greenbaum

In Focus

Focus Music in Mount Vernon presents a co-bill of folk/pop singers Susan Greenbaum and Carey Creed, both touring with brand-new recordings, in concert at 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13, at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church. Tickets are \$18 general, \$15 in advance at FocusMusic.org. St. Aidan's is located at 8531 Riverside Road, between Fort Hunt Road and Route 1. Visit www.susangeenbaum.com or www.careycreed.com.

choral groups in the country," the Notre Dame Glee Club will be performing in Bishop Ireton's Garwood Whaley Auditorium, 201 Cambridge Rd. Free and open to the public. Donations appreciated.

Antique Collection. 9:30-11 a.m. Alexandria/Mount Vernon Antiques Club will feature long-time member, Carolyn McDonald, with her collection of decorative tiles. Free and open to the public. At Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Rd.

The Great Zucchini Show. 10 a.m. The wonder of magic, silliness of comedy, and interactive nature of The Great Zucchini's show keeps children on the edge of their seats. At Mt. Vernon Unitarian Church Chapel, 1909 Windmill Ln. Admission is \$10/child; children under 2 and adults are free. For tickets, email Carrie O'Neill at fundraising@fonthuntpreschool.com.

Training Seminar. 7-9 p.m. Explore the possibilities of teaching young children in a museum-based setting. Free and open to the public. To reserve a spot, contact Sarah Christie at events@fonthuntpreschool.com. At Fort Hunt Preschool, 1909 Windmill Ln.

Thursday/Oct. 18

Fashion Show and Luncheon. 10 a.m. The Yacht Haven Garden Club presents their 29th annual Fashion Show and Luncheon, "Viva La Diva" at the Fort Belvoir Officers Club, 5500 Schulz Circle. Email deborah.alea@verizon.net or call 703-447-1315.

Historic Train. 10 a.m. Model Railroad Club presents the history of the C & O's Famous Passenger Train - The George Washington as well as discussing the Chesapeake and Ohio Historical Society's Annual Meeting. Call 703-765-4573 to reserve a seat. Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500

Shenandoah Rd.
Fundraiser for Breast Cancer. 5-9 p.m. Order from Pizza Hut on Oct. 18 and the organization will receive 20 percent of the sales generated. Please be sure to pick up a fundraiser ticket and bring it to Pizza Hut. At Penn Daw Pizza Hut, 6321 Richmond Hwy. Call 703-765-8900.

Book Sale. 4-8:30 p.m. Friends of Beatley Central Library. This book sale opens to members and the public interested in books, DVDs and CDs at an affordable price. 5005 Duke St. Visit www.alexandria.lib.va.us or call 703-746-1702.

Friday/Oct. 19

Poems & Stories. 7 p.m. Actors from the Georgetown Theatre Company will read stories and poems by Edgar Allan Poe at the Athenaeum, including The Cask of Amontillado, The System of Doctor Tarr, Professor Fether and more. A coffee and dessert reception follows the stories. Admission \$10. Visit www.nvfaa.org. The Athenaeum is located at 201 Prince St.

Lafayette Wine Dinner at Gadsby's Tavern Museum. 7-9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$100 per person and reservations are required. A vegetarian entrée option is available with advance notice. To make reservations, call 703-746-4242 or visit www.gadsbystavern.org.

Book Sale. 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Friends of Beatley Central Library. Open to the public. 5005 Duke St. Visit www.alexandria.lib.va.us or call 703-746-1702.

Saturday/Oct. 20

Spirits, Suffering and Society. 6-9 p.m. A re-enactment focusing on the social aspects of dying in a Civil War hospital. \$15. Lee-Fendall House Museum & Garden, 614 Oronoco St. Call 703-548-1789.

Frog Pond's 3rd Annual Fall Festival. 10 a.m.-noon. This family friendly festival will offer entertainment, light food and drink along with arts, crafts and other kid-friendly activities. 7204 Harrison Ln. Suggested donation \$5.

"AMTRAK High Speed Rail." 10 a.m. Model Railroad Club presents the story of the AMTRAK High Speed Rail on the Northeast Corridor (NEC). Call 703-765-4573 to reserve. See Calendar, Page 24

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Entertainment

'Dying City' at Signature

Signature debuts Pulitzer-nominated play.

By Jeanne Theismann
The Gazette

A year after her husband's death in Iraq, newly-widowed Kelly is confronted by his identical twin brother in "Dying City," now playing at Signature Theatre in Arlington.

First performed in 2006 at London's Royal Court Theatre, the Pulitzer Prize-nominated play by Christopher Shinn follows Rachel Zampelli as Kelly, a young therapist painfully forced to explore her last interactions with her husband Craig when his brother Peter surprises her with a visit.

Over the course of conversation, Kelly lapses into flashbacks featuring Craig. Thomas Keegan plays the dual roles, one moment taking on the persona of Kelly's gay actor brother-in-law, and the next, her late, soldier husband.

Theatrical sleight-of-hand allows Keegan to play

both brothers, each in a different time. His fluid character transformations are rock-solid, sometimes taking place via a doorway and others in plain view as he eerily changes posture and moods. As played by Keegan, both Craig and Peter are sensitive and mesmerizing.

Signature favorite Zampelli is equally convincing as she struggles through her own stages of grief over the loss of her husband and the confrontation with Peter that she has been avoiding.

The masterful lighting design by Collin K. Bills serves a vital role, with subtle shifts often signaling a scene change or cueing a character change for Keegan.

Under the direction of Matthew Gardiner, Shinn's script draws the audience into the troubled relationships so brilliantly portrayed by Zampelli and Keegan. Both poignant and profound, "Dying City" is a masterful piece of contemporary theater.

"Dying City" is playing now through Nov. 25 at Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave. in Arlington. For tickets or more information, call 703-820-9771 or visit www.signature-theatre.org.

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a seat. Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Rd.

Annual Mega Bazaar. 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Hollin Hall Senior Center is holding a Mega Craft Sale. Free. 1500 Shenandoah Rd. Call 703-324-4600, TTY 711 or visit www.hollinhallseniorcenter.org.

Flea Market. 8 a.m.-1 p.m. At the Lincolnia Senior Center, 4710 N. Chambliss St. Bake sale, jewelry, clothing, plants, white elephants and more. Call 703-914-0223.

2012 MVHS Fall Fest and Bazaar. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Arts, Crafts, Rummage Sale. Rain or Shine. Mount Vernon High School, 8515 Old Mount Vernon Rd.

Spooky Saturdays at the Athenaeum. 1-2 p.m. Making scary pop-up cards. Free. Recommended for children 6-9 years old. The Athenaeum is located at 201 Prince St. Visit www.nvfaa.org.

25th Anniversary of the Election of George Washington to the Vestry. 4:30-7 p.m. Featuring local George Washington interpreter, Greg Fisher. The program will be followed by a discussion, a reception and book-signing by Mary V. Thompson, author of "In the Hands of a Good Providence: Religion in the Life of George Washington." Tickets are \$10 per person or \$25 per family. For reservations call 703-372-1296. Pohick Church is located at 9301 Richmond Hwy in Lorton, at the corner of U.S. 1 & Telegraph Road. Visit www.pohick.org.

The Story of Toby the Learned Pig. Doors open at 3 p.m., lecture begins at 3:30 p.m. \$20 per person and \$15 for members of Gadsby's Tavern Museum Society and Gadsby's Tavern Museum volunteers. Call 703-746-4242 or visit gadsbystavern.org.

Historic Huntley. Boy Scouts can hear the chilling tales during an overnight stay. Historic Huntley also hosts programs for scouts to earn merit badges, for homeschoolers seeking out local history, and for the general public. Information about all of the programs at Historic Huntley is available at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/huntley-meadows-park/

historic-huntley.htm or by calling Huntley Meadows Park at 703-768-2525. Historic Huntley is located at 6918 Harrison Ln.

Halloween Cookie Decorating. 1-2:30 p.m. Ages 4 and up learn to roll and cut cookie dough, then decorate cookies. Children take home what they make. Admission: \$35. Advance registration required, call 703-548-2868. Sugar Cube, 1218 King St.

Book Sale. 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Friends of Beatley Central Library. This book sale opens to members and the public interested in books, DVDs and CDs at an affordable price. 5005 Duke St. Visit www.alexandria.lib.va.us or call 703-746-1702.

Concert. 7 p.m. Choralis presents a concert of American choral music. At Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall & Arts Center, 3001 N. Beauregard St. Students 13-22, \$5; under 12, free; adults, \$30-\$55. Call 703-237-2499 or visit www.choralis.org.

Fundraiser Walk/Run. 8 a.m. The Alexandria Walk to Fight Breast Cancer will be held at the AMC Hoffman Theatres and the Hoffman Center, located at Eisenhower Avenue and Swamp Fox Road. On-site registration begins at 6:30 a.m. and the opening ceremony begins at 8 a.m. Visit www.alexandriawalk.com.

Free Concert. 1-2 p.m. Eclipse Chamber Orchestra is celebrating its 21st season by holding a free concert for children and parents, featuring a narrative accompaniment to Aaron Copland's classic Appalachian Spring. At George Washington Masonic Memorial, 101 Callahan Dr. Visit www.eclipseco.org.

Biking. 10 a.m.-noon. This is a family-friendly 7-mile ride from Jones Point Park to National Harbor and back. Children under 16 are legally required to wear a helmet. Meet at the Jones Point Park, near the restrooms. Bring a bicycle and water. Free. To RSVP, contact Jonathan Krall at jonathan@jonathankrall.net.

Oktoberfest & Silent Auction. 3-7 p.m. The entire community is invited to St. Aidan's annual Oktoberfest. The Kinderfest, from 3-5 p.m., hosted by St. Aidan's Day School, includes a variety of games and activities for

children. Oktoberfest features live German music, great food and drink. At St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Rd. Call 703-360-4220, or visit <http://staidanepiscopal.com>.

Sunday/Oct. 21

Cauldron Tea. 2 p.m. Come to the Carlyle House terrace for a spooky afternoon tea that will be sure to cast a spell on your Halloween celebrations. After the tea, guests are invited to tour the museum and learn about 18th century funeral and mourning practices in Virginia. Costumes welcome. Admission: \$25. Carlyle House, 121 N. Fairfax St. Call 703-549-2997.

Concert. 7 p.m. Focus Alexandria presents folk artist David Roth with special guest Lea at Church of the Resurrection, 2280 N. Beauregard St. Tickets are \$18 general, \$15 in advance at www.focusmusic.org. Call 703-501-6061.

Jazz Concert. 4 p.m. The Committee for Jazz at Meade will feature Anita King at Meade Church, 322 N. Alfred St. Donation is \$15. Light refreshments will be served, and parking is available in the church's lot and on the street.

Book Sale. 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Friends of Beatley Central Library. This book sale opens to members and the public interested in books, DVDs and CDs at an affordable price. 5005 Duke St. Visit <http://www.alexandria.lib.va.us> or call 703-746-1702.

"Eclipse for Kids." 1 p.m. A special open rehearsal of the Eclipse Chamber Orchestra featuring Copland, Elgar, R. Strauss and Ravel. A donation is appreciated. Free admission. At George Washington Masonic Memorial, 101 Callahan Dr. Visit www.eclipseco.org.

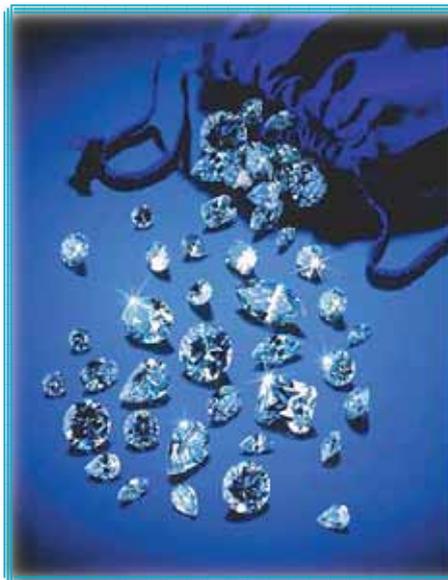
Walk for Homeless Animals. 9 a.m. The Animal Welfare League of Alexandria is hosting the Alexandria Shelter Walk for Homeless Animals, a family-friendly community event to benefit the residents of the Vola Lawson Animal Shelter and help raise awareness about the problem of pet overpopulation. Open to the public. Contact Patrick Cole at 703-746-5655 or email pcole@AlexandriaAnimals.org.

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Ashleigh Sable leads Mount Vernon with eight goals.



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Jane Heller (18) scored the Mount Vernon field hockey team's lone goal via penalty stroke during a 1-0 win against Stuart on Oct. 6.

MVHS Field Hockey Remains Undefeated in District

Majors edge Stuart with Heller's stroke goal.

By Jon Roetman
The Gazette

The Mount Vernon field hockey team entered its Oct. 6 contest against Stuart with a 9-3-1 record, having defeated defending National District champion Washington-Lee, 5-0, three days earlier.

Stuart was 2-12 and had scored only five goals all season, four of which came in one contest.

Some of the Majors had taken their SAT tests earlier in the day, and when it came time to travel to Stuart High School for the game, Mount Vernon's bus never showed, leaving the Majors to find their own method of transportation.

If ever there was an opponent to overlook, Stuart was it for the Mount Vernon field hockey team. The Majors arrived late to the Falls Church-area school and proceeded to struggle against an opponent they probably should have blown out. While Mount Vernon controlled possession for most of the contest, the Majors couldn't put the ball in the cage. Luckily for Mount Vernon, senior Jane Heller cashed in an opportunity late in the second half.

Heller scored on a stroke with 5:35 remaining in the contest to lift Mount Vernon to a 1-0 victory. While a win is a win, the Majors, who have reached the district championship game each of the last three seasons, were likely expecting more.

"I don't think it was a complete shock," Heller said, "but it was shocking that we didn't score as many as we should."

Was there a point in the game when Mount Vernon head coach Jessica Edwards started to get nervous?

"I would have been worried before we ever even left and our bus wasn't there," she said with a laugh. "I would say around 3:10 I was worried already. ... We had some definite problems in the circle today, because we played the majority of the game in our offensive 25 and scored on a stroke."

How did Heller feel after depositing her stroke in the cage?

"It was the biggest sense of relief," she said. "I did not want to go into overtime with this team at all, and this was a needed district win because we want to finish first [in the regular season standings] because we [would] automatically have [at least the

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— Mount Vernon senior Jane Heller



Lizzy Sagar and the Mount Vernon field hockey team will enter the National District field hockey tournament as the No. 1 seed.

district's] second seed [in regionals]."

Two days later, Mount Vernon defeated Yorktown, 1-0, on a goal by Sabrina Smith. The Majors improved to 11-3-1, including 6-0 in the National District. Mount Vernon will conclude its regular season at home against Edison at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 11, and then enter the district tournament.

The Majors won the National District title in 2009 and 2010 and finished runner-up in 2011.

According to statistics from the Washington Post's Web site, Ashleigh Sable leads Mount Vernon with eight goals. Gabby Ocker has six goals, Sagar and Tamara Warren each have five and Serenna Schantz has four.

Sports Briefs

Garza Named MVHS Boys' Soccer Coach

Mount Vernon High School assistant athletic director and former girls' soccer coach Tony Garza was named head coach of the school's boys' soccer program,

Garza said in a text message Tuesday night.

The boys' soccer head coaching position opened when Garza's brother, Robert Garza, left Mount Vernon to take the same position at Robinson Secondary School on July 2.

Robert Garza led the Majors to the 2012 National District title.

West Potomac Football Beats Lee

The West Potomac football team improved to 5-1, including 3-1 in the Patriot District with a 39-8 win against Lee on Oct. 5.

The Wolverines will host undefeated Westfield at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 12.

Mount Vernon Football Beats Stuart

The Mount Vernon football team defeated Stuart, 28-12, on Oct. 5.

The Majors improved to 3-3, including 2-1 in the National District. Mount Vernon will host Hayfield at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 12.



Oscar Bonilla cleans "Appomattox" at the intersection of Washington and Prince streets.

Photos by
Nancy Jennis Olds

The statue receives a cleaning and a protective finish.

'Appomattox' Gets Makeover United Daughters of the Confederacy chapter funds cleaning.

By Nancy Jennis Olds
Gazette Packet

He is called "Appomattox," fondly known as "Appy," a lone bronze statue of a Confederate soldier standing on a granite base. Traffic tears by him daily on a small island of land intersecting Washington and Prince streets. His back is turned toward the north, his face stares down in resignation, his arms crossed tightly on his chest. The soldier carries no weapon. He tightly clenches his hat in his right hand; a canteen and haversack hang from his left shoulder.

On a crisp and sunny Saturday on Oct. 6 there is a flurry activity surrounding this Civil War memorial. "Appomattox" is the subject of attention as workers in hard hats cordoned off the traffic island with bright orange cones and bring in their machinery to give the stained and weathered statue a cleaning with a protective finish.

The women of the Mary Custis Lee-17th Virginia Regiment Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, whose museum and offices are headquartered in Alexandria, provided the funding for the conservation of "Appomattox." The City of Alexandria was not involved with this preservation effort, nor were any city personnel employed for this cleaning project. Chapter member Debby Mullins said that the statue was initially cleaned with liquid Ivory Soap. An application of a wax substance will provide a protective patina of the bronze

statue which is bombarded daily by the vehicle fumes passing by, the residue of roosting pigeons and other birds, and stresses from sunshine and storms.

During the Civil War, or as it was called by the South, the War Between the States, or the War of Northern Aggression, the City of Alexandria was commandeered by Union forces almost immediately in May 24 of 1861. Col. Elmer Ellsworth, a personal friend of President Abraham Lincoln, led the 11th New York Volunteer Infantry Regiment ("Fire Zouaves") through the City of Alexandria, detaching some men to take the

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railroad station and others to secure the telegraph office. Ellsworth personally went to the Marshall House, an inn owned by James W. Jackson, to remove the large Confederate flag from its rooftop. As Ellsworth descended the stairs with the flag wrapped around him, Jackson emerged from his

room and fatally shot Ellsworth in the chest. Corporal Francis E. Brownell, who had accompanied Ellsworth, immediately shot Jackson, killing him instantly. Alexandria, the old seaport town, became the main reception area for the Union wounded, a federal supply depot, and a campground. Most of its homes, churches and schools became hospitals, prisons and headquarters. Many of the citizens of Alexandria fled before the federal occupation of the city. Those who remained were under military occupation for four more years.

The Reconstruction period after the Civil

War was difficult for Confederate veterans. In April of 1885, Confederate veteran Edgar Warfield and the R.E. Lee Camp #2 (formed by former Confederate veterans mainly from the 17th Virginia Regiment) requested that the citizens of Alexandria construct a monument on behalf of Confederate veter-

ans. The Alexandria City Council approved the project permitting placement of the monument at the intersection of Prince and Washington Streets, the location where the Alexandria militia companies met prior to their evacuation as the advancing Union troops landed in Alexandria. These militia companies would later form the 17th Virginia Regiment.

According to Mullins, a contest was announced, and John Adams Elder submitted a plaster model based on the central figure in his painting "Appomattox." The original painting is at the Library of Virginia. The work shows an unarmed figure with his head downcast as he contemplates the privations of four years of war upon the South. The model was approved and M. Caspar Buberi was the sculptor who cast the statue in bronze. The base is made of Georgia granite. The inscriptions part of the pedestal is made of a mix of concrete and marble. The north side of the base reads, "They died in the consciousness of duty faithfully performed." The south side reads, "Erected to the memory of Confederate dead of Alexandria, Va. by their Surviving Comrades, May 24th 1889." The east and west sides bear the names of those from Alexandria who died during the Civil War.

The dedication ceremony was held on May 29, 1889. There was a great crowd at the ceremony attended and directed by Fitzhugh Lee, the governor of Virginia then and a former cavalry major general for the CSA. Former Confederate General Joseph E. Johnston also attended the ceremony.



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through the door of this 19th century, three-bedroom, two-and-a-half-bath, frame beauty on a special block of Lee Street. Warm wood floors and exposed beams in the original house are complemented by light-filled additions of sun room and family room while a state-of-the-art eat-in kitchen overlooks the glorious two-tiered walled garden.

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Sophisticated Elegance

This beautiful home welcomes you the minute you step over the threshold. The gorgeous foyer, living and dining rooms, amazing family room and kitchen will not disappoint! Five wonderful bedrooms upstairs, including a glorious master suite, a huge fully finished basement, and a three-car garage. Plus, owner access to a private boat launch on Little Hunting Creek!

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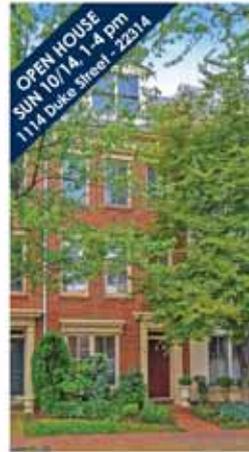
Del Ray Perfection

Located on a tree-lined street, you'll love this charming three-bedroom home with front porch, which is minutes to everything. Features include gleaming wood floors, a cook's kitchen opening to family room, separate office, a large rear yard with two patios and play area, a spacious rec room, one-car garage parking.

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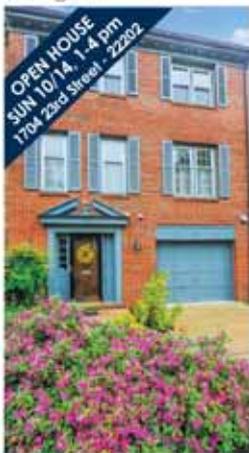
Warwick Village!

Fabulous all-brick townhome offering eat-kitchen with pass-through window to sunny living/dining combo. Upper level offers three bedrooms full bath. Lower level boasts a spacious family room opening to huge deck for entertaining, full updated bath and laundry. Features include hardwood flooring, newer windows. Walk to "The Avenue" in Del Ray!

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Arlington \$775,000



Forest Hills

Wonderful located in Forest Hills Common and meticulously maintained. This two-bedroom, game room/3rd bedroom, brick townhome with elevator, solarium and one-car garage has been extensively upgraded. POLISHED, PRISTINE AND READY-TO-GO! Forest Hills is a stylish, comfortable and convenient place to live in the greater DC area.

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Alexandria \$995,000



So Much Space!

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Alexandria \$635,000



Just Listed

Updated, three-bedroom, two-bath home on a cul-de-sac near the King Street Metro. Vaulted ceilings in living and dining rooms, rec room with fireplace opening to large, level, private lot. Photos and details of 513 Robinson Court at www.betsytwigg.com.

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