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### Ready To Entertain

Preparing for "Playlist:" 145 students from Ft. Hunt, Stratford Landing, Waynewood and Hollin Meadows Elementary schools and Carl Sandburg Middle School and nearly 100 students from West Potomac High School perform at the pre-show rehearsal at WPHS on Tuesday afternoon, May 28.

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## Roads and Veterans

### Puller reviews legislative priorities.

BY GERALD A FILL  
THE GAZETTE

Reflecting back on the past General Assembly session, state Sen. Linda "Toddy" Puller (D-36) said over the Memorial Day weekend that the "passage of transportation legislation was the most important funding bill in 27 years; not since former Gov. Gerald Baliles' transportation legislation was enacted has there been a transportation bill more im-

portant. ... We very much needed an infusion of cash for both maintenance and new construction and this legislative package will provide it."

Turning to other legislative priorities she was heavily involved in, she described two veterans programs and one health care information data-gathering program that occupied her time.

Puller has been a long-time advocate for Virginia veterans and

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## Volunteers Persevere In Tough Times

### Rising Hope Homebound Ministry endures.

BY ED SIMMONS, JR.  
THE GAZETTE

"With the downturn in the economy we don't have the donations we used to have," said Debra Bessert, the Rising Hope volunteer who directs the church's Homebound Ministry which delivers food to shut-in seniors and convalescents.

"We're experiencing an extraordinary shortage of money," she says.

Aiding the poor and needy along the Route 1 corridor, Rising Hope United Methodist Mission Church is located at 8220 Russell Road, between Hybla Valley and Woodlawn. A tall white cross stands out front. Delivering food to homebound seniors and convalescents is one of the church's many ministries.

Early on Wednesday mornings



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**Ruth Arthur, 93, a long-time Rising Hope volunteer, fills grocery bags for the homebound.**

Bessert's team gathers in Rising Hope's Milk and Honey Food Pantry. Three long tables hold upright paper bags, each numbered to match with the driver's address list. Some have a list of special diet needs for diabetics and those needed low salt are clothes-pinned to the bags.

Each week there are 40 to 50 bags.

Volunteers Lorraine Grant, Allan Garber and Ruth Arthur work quickly filling the bags with bread,

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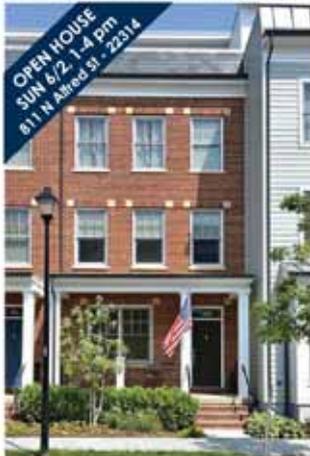
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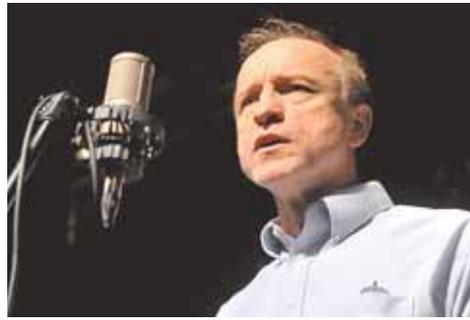
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# West Potomac Choral Department To Present 'Playlist'

The 24th annual West Potomac Choirs spring original show will be held this week, Thursday May 30; Friday, May 31; and June 1, at 7 p.m. in the Springbank Auditorium. The fast-paced program is filled with favorite standards as well as recent pop hits.

In addition to the nearly 100 choir members at West Potomac there will be special guests that include elementary students from schools which feed into WPHS; singers from Carl Sandburg intermediate, and WPHS faculty members.

"Playlist" opens with On the Road — songs to listen for taking a road trip. This is followed with Date Night, Break -Up, Dance



**Retired West Potomac chemistry instructor Gary Relton returns this year for the upcoming show.**

Party, Rainy Day, and Summertime playlists. The show is directed and accompanied by Ernest Johnson, WPHS choral director, and choreographed by Gennifer Defilippo, dance instructor for the WPHS dance team.

Tickets purchased in advance are \$10 each (purchase online at [www.Westpotomacchoirs.org](http://www.Westpotomacchoirs.org)), and are \$12 at the door. For Thursday night performance only, all student tickets (K-12) are \$5 each.



**Playlist opens with dance and song in the Road Trip playlist.**

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THE GAZETTE



**Kathleen Poulin, James Nugent, Amin Yacnes, Sanou Diallo and Emma Harris perform a song from the Date Night playlist.**



**Belle Voce performs.**



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# Puller Focuses Legislative Work on Virginia's Veterans

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this area accounts for a significant amount of her legislative priorities in the General Assembly. The recently concluded session was no different.

"This June marks the first anniversary of the passage of the Virginia Values Veterans (V3) program designed to encourage businesses to hire veterans and to help veterans find employment," she said. "In the long run this program promises to have a very important impact on lowering the unemployment rate of veterans, which is substantially higher than other segments of our population. Along with Del. Richard Anderson in the House of Delegates and my effort in the Senate we spearheaded the passage of the V3 program."

As an example of the worth of this program, Puller mentioned that this past Tuesday, May 28 in Norfolk, the V3 program along with the City of Norfolk hosted a veterans employment recruiting event at



**State Sen. Linda "Toddy" Puller (D-36)**

tended by approximately a dozen employers. A similar event will be held Oct. 8 in northern Virginia, said Steve Combs, director of the V3 program. The site location has yet to be determined. It will serve all veterans, National Guard and Reserve members, soon-to-transition service members, and spouses.

Puller also highlighted her work on the Virginia Wounded Warriors program. Catherine Wilson, executive director of the Wounded Warriors program, gives Puller

credit for "being an ardent supporter, from concept to execution of the wounded warriors program." Begun in 2008 the Virginia Wounded Warriors program is now present in five regional offices in Virginia, working to find housing for homeless veterans, partnering with local Community Services Boards to assist veterans and their families of all eras with a variety of counseling and referral services such as benefits eligibility counseling, housing, employment, health care, and other public and private assistance programs.

Wilson described a recent case demonstrating the program's value where a veteran was discovered living along a river, homeless, for 15 years, who they have since placed in sustainable housing.

"We average 500 veterans that we assist monthly with a variety of services; 157 veterans have been placed in sustainable housing that were previously homeless," Wilson

said. She added that Puller has always been supportive of the wounded warriors program.

Puller also cited her work as chair of the Joint Commission on Health Care. This included implementing a commission priority: developing the "All Payer Health Care Claims Data Base."

"When completely developed, the health care data base will provide the transparency necessary for consumers to make better health care decisions," she said. The goal is to join other states in implementing a program designed to accomplish the following:

- ❖ Improve public health surveillance, including reports on injuries; chronic diseases; and health conditions.
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## CRIME

### Woman Assaulted

A 23-year-old woman reported that a man attempted to rob her and that she was sexually assaulted after getting a cup of coffee at 7704 Richmond Highway on Sunday, May 26.

The incident took place as the woman was approached at her car by a man who displayed a knife and demanded money at around 8:30 p.m. He then reportedly sexually assaulted her, she screamed and he fled.

The suspect was described as Hispanic, in his late 30s, with a narrow face. He was between 5 feet 6 and 5 feet 8 inches tall with a thin build. He wore a blue baseball cap and a light blue hoodie.

Anyone with information is asked to call Crime Solvers by phone at 1-866-411-TIPS/8477, e-mail at [www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org](http://www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org) or text "TIP187" plus a message to CRIMES/274637 or call Fairfax County Police at 703-691-2131.

### CRIME REPORT

*The Mount Vernon District Station reported the following incidents:*

**DWI/ASSAULT**, Fordson Road/Richmond Highway, May 27, 1:05 a.m. An officer stopped a vehicle and charged the driver with DWI. During the arrest process, A 53-year-old woman from Fort Belvoir allegedly stuck the officer. She was charged with DWI, obstruction, refusal, and assault on a police officer.

**BURGLARY**, 2700 block of Mennifield Court, May 27, 4:10 p.m. A resident reported someone entered the home and stole electronics. Forced entry was made through a window.

**FIGHT**, 8700 block of Richmond Highway, May 26, 5:10 p.m. Officers responded for a fight. Several women were found fighting but none were seriously injured. Following an investigation, A 28-year-old woman from Alexandria was charged with assault. A 27-year-old woman from Alexandria, was charged with one count of strangulation and three counts of assault.

**ROBBERY**, 6300 block of South Kings Highway, May 26, 10:40 p.m. A 27-year-old man reported an unknown man approached him, brandished a handgun, and demanded cash. The suspect fled with the victim's wallet. The victim was not injured. The suspect was described as male, black, 20 to 30 years old, approximately six feet three inches tall and 185 pounds.

**ASSAULT**, Frye Road/Madge Lane, May 25, 1:20 a.m. A 37-year-old man reported he assaulted by three Hispanic men. The victim was able to fight off the suspects, but received a minor puncture wound. He was treated at the hospital.

**ROBBERY**, Seven Woods Drive/Tamarind Street, May 25, 2:50 a.m. Two men 47 and 21 years of age reported an unknown man surprised them, brandished a handgun, and demanded money. The victims were not injured. The suspect fled with cash and jewelry. The suspect was described as male, black, 20 to 30 years old, approximately five feet 10 inches tall and 165 pounds. The helicopter and a K-9 team assisted in a search of the suspect.

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Ten Northern Virginia black leaders under 40 were honored by the Virginia Leadership Institute on May 7 at Kora Restaurant in Crystal City.

# Celebrating Achievement

## Award promotes Northern Virginia's leadership diversity.

BY COURTNEY M. MCSWAIN  
THE GAZETTE

The nonprofit organization Virginia Leadership Institute (VLI) held its Top 10 Under 40 awards reception on May 7 at Kora Restaurant in Crystal City to honor black leaders in Northern Virginia. In a room filled with dozens of attendees along with award recipients and their families, 10 people were celebrated for their achievements in business, politics, civic engagement and philanthropy. Representing the scope of cities and counties making up Northern Virginia, honorees were from Alexandria, Arlington, the Town of Dumfries, Fairfax County, Loudon County, and Prince William County.

The diversity of leadership that resides in Northern Virginia was a key theme repeated by those who gave remarks during the reception, including U.S. Rep. Jim Moran (D-8): "There is an increasing need for wider representation and leadership among the entire community. No offense to the white guys here, but politics can't be an all white guys thing anymore. It's got to open up."

Part of opening up the area's political establishment to diversity is creating support for young black leadership, according to Krysta Jones who founded the VLI in 2006 as a way to increase the number of black elected officials in Virginia. As Jones told the crowd, she was inspired to start VLI while completing her master's degree in legislative affairs at George Washington University and researching Virginia's lack of black congressional representatives. During her research, Jones came across an article that described one African American family's move to the Washington, D.C., Metro Area and the advice they received.

"They were told not to move to Virginia," Jones said. "The family was told about stereotypes, that they can't get involved and that there is not really a strong black professional class [in Northern Virginia]." As Jones described, VLI's presence and the existence of organizations like the Northern Virginia

Black Chamber of Commerce, which was founded in 2008, help to change the perception that black families can only find a strong community in the District of Columbia or P.G. County, Md. "For us to be able to sit here and honor these outstanding 10 shows how far Northern Virginia has come in terms of representing African Americans," Jones said.

The six men and four women that received awards represented the nonprofit, government, business, education and philanthropy sectors. Three of the recipients were military veterans and the group included on elected official and one current political candidate. Among the honorees was Fairfax County native Howard Foard III, who noted how young black leaders are making time for civic engagement while still working demanding jobs.

"There are successful African Americans working hard in the community that have professional jobs. [We] may be working 40, 50 or 60 hours a week, but we don't let that get in the way. We still make community service a priority," Foard III said. With Foard III was his father, Howard Foard Jr., who has his own history of civic involvement in the region. When he moved to Fairfax County from Philadelphia in 1965, Foard Jr. became the director of the Fairfax County Community Action Agency and later when on to serve as the director of the State Economic Opportunity Office for Virginia. During these years, leadership in Northern Virginia was much less diverse, according to Foard Jr.

"When I moved to Fairfax County we didn't have that many [African American community leaders]. There were very few of us," Foard Jr. said. Events like those held by VLI help young black leaders find support from one another, according to Foard Jr. "I hope [people] take away the importance of networking and mutual support and being able to identify people with different resources," Foard Jr. said.

Leonard N. Smith, senior minister of Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Arlington, which was a sponsor for the awards reception, said he believed events such as the Top 10 Under 40 awards help inspire others to tap into their own leadership potential. "This helps to inspire and encourage young leaders to get involved," Smith said. "There are others who are standing on the sidelines, waiting, wondering what they need to do to become one of the dynamic 10."

The entire list of VLI's "Top 10 Under 40" included:

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## PETS

# Fostering Rescue Dogs

## Lessons in having faith and letting go.

BY KATHY CALLAHAN

**I**t's shocking how quickly it has become normal — and even “just right” — to have 10 dogs living in my house.

No, I'm not a hoarder. I foster rescue dogs, and



**Pretty. The clear leader: Very smart and confident.**

### COMMENTARY



**Sweetie Pie Love Girl. Quiet instigator of fun between siblings.**

two weeks ago Nala and her seven four-week-old shepherd mix pups arrived at our doorstep.

I'm sure people think we're crazy. But judging from the ongoing joy that has stemmed from that “yes” to the Animal Welfare League of Alexandria, I'd say it's a good crazy.

Ever since we

started fostering for Homeward Trails last August, I get The Big Question: “But how do you let them go?” It's a valid query. In the end, though, putting our own feelings of loss ahead of the very real needs of a dog trapped in horrible conditions felt ... well ... ridiculous. So we took a deep col-



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lective breath, and waded in.

Over the next six months, we fostered five dogs, each for a few weeks. There were the two hilarious Boston Terrier puppies. There was the shy, dear lab mix, and the easy, sweet yellow lab.

Then there was the pup who left but came back two months after her adoption because of allergies in the family. Good thing, because it turns out she was meant to be a treasured member of my sister's pack.

We have loved each of these dogs. They've been a part of our family. We've played with them, snuggled them, taught them. Our own dogs and cats have welcomed them, guided



**Kathy Callahan of Mount Vernon with the Speckle twins. She fosters rescue dogs.**



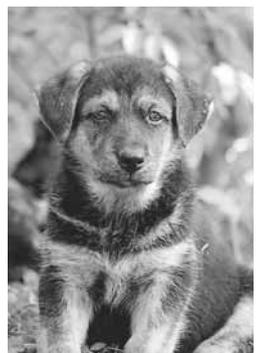
**Speckle Girl. Either crazily athletic or sweetly draped in a lap.**

them, and given them confidence. When they leave, we like to think that this time spent in a stable pack at such a young impressionable age will be with them forever.

**A FEW WEEKS AGO**, I saw on Facebook that a mother dog and her puppies — less than a month old — had just been dropped off at the shelter. I thought about that nursing mom who'd been caring for those seven puppies around the clock — only to find herself suddenly homeless. There are a lot of terrible things happening on this planet about which I can do nothing. But it struck me that this was a



**Little Ben. Biggest cuddler of the bunch.**



**Helga. Hilarious, chatty and snuggly.**

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# PETS

## Having Faith and Letting Go

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tragedy in my corner of the world that our family could actually remedy. So (after getting the "I'm in!" from my excellent husband) I contacted AWLA, and two days later our family hit an all-time high with 10 dogs, two cats, and two fish on the premises.

I won't lie: It's been a full-time job. But this is also the honest truth: I have never had more fun. Nala is a spectacular mother, and she has melded into our pack seamlessly — somehow knowing that she could trust us (and our dogs).

And the puppies! Oh, my. They are delicious. We are constantly interacting with them, and they are so very engaged. It is endlessly entertaining to witness their curiosity. Every bush, step and log is a challenge to be explored. We watch to see which pup leads, which loves to socialize, which is happy alone. We see who runs back to us for reassurance, and who seeks a lap when tired.

I think of all of that, and then where these eight dogs would be right now — emotionally, physically, developmentally — if they were stuck in a loud dog run at the shelter at this tender time. And I resolve that this will not be the last time I say "yes."

**OF COURSE** fostering is great for the animals. But the surprising secret is that it is also great for those who do the work. This process is one giant exercise in three critical things: living in the moment, having faith, and letting go.

To be the pack leader this gang needs, I live in the moment. I can't worry about what problems could arise, or whether good homes will materialize. The only workable approach is to enjoy every wag and take it a day at a time. Not a bad lesson.

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These foster dogs will be available for adoption by June 3. Contact the Animal Welfare League of Alexandria at 703-838-4774.

I have seen that I am just one little piece of a wondrous rescue puzzle. There are the people at the underfunded rural shelters who work hard to get those dogs out of there. There are the res-

wondering how this dog could possibly cope with another transition. But then a week passes, and I get emails detailing just how beautifully my pups have become a part of a new pack. And I learn that it can feel just fine, in fact quite right, to let go. Not a bad lesson at all.

In a week, it will be time to get a refresher in all of my lessons as I say goodbye to this spectacular litter.



**Daughter Claire Callahan gets a fun welcome when she comes home from Sandburg.**



**Daughter Grace Callahan with Little Ben.**

cue folks who organize. There are the people who drive up I-95 every single Saturday with carloads of dogs. There are those of you who donate the bonanza of helpful items I found loaded into my van. There is my family, each of whom pitches in. There are my own pets, whose lives are disrupted but who seem to understand that "to whom much is given, much is expected." And then there is that person who steps up and says, "Yes. I want that dog." All of this happens, over and over again, and it is an overwhelming reminder to simply have faith. Not a bad lesson.

Now comes the letting go part. I confess that the night before each of our old fosters left, I was sleepless,



**The Callahan's cat Wolfie does his part to help socialize the pups.**



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## Don't Be Among the Missing

Last time Virginia elected a governor, 1.7 million voters failed to vote after voting the previous year.

In 2008, 74.5 percent of Virginia's registered voters turned out to vote in the presidential election. In 2009, the last time Virginians elected a governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general and members of the House of Delegates, just 40.4 percent of registered voters came out to vote.

That is to say that 1.7 million voters went missing in the Commonwealth.

Last November, more than 70 percent of Virginia's registered voters turned out. Will this November see 40 percent or less? Choices at the statewide level could hardly be more stark, and low turnout will make the outcome unpredictable.

It's a mistake for people offended by the in-

flammatory and derogatory rhetoric by the Republican nominee for Lieutenant Governor E.W. Jackson to think that he is unelectable in Virginia or that his negatives will make Ken Cuccinelli, Republican nominee for Governor unelectable.

It all depends on who turns out to vote.

As an example, in November 2007, incumbent state Sen. Ken Cuccinelli (R-37) won reelection by less than one-half of a percentage point, with an edge of just 92 votes out of 37,185 ballots cast, beating Democrat Janet Oleszek. Approximately 32 percent of registered voters in the 37th District cast ballots at the polls in that election. Imagine what might be different today if that race had gone differently. Cuccinelli was first elected to the Virginia Senate in 2002 in a special election.

### Primary June 11

Primary Election Day is Tuesday, June 11, with absentee voting currently underway.

Voters in the Democratic primary will choose between Ralph S. Northam and Aneesh Chopra for lieutenant governor; and between Mark R.

Herring and Justin E. Fairfax for attorney general.

The polls will be open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. on June 11.

Good sources for information on upcoming elections.

Virginia State Board of Elections, <http://www.sbe.virginia.gov/>

Virginia Public Access Project, <http://www.vpap.org/candidates?display=state>

Fairfax County Board of Elections, <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/ecalendar.htm>

### Father's Day Photos

Father's Day is June 16, and as in years past, The Gazette will publish a gallery of photos of fathers, grandfathers, great grandfathers and sons and daughters. Send your photos, including names of everyone in the photo, ages of children, town of residence and a brief description of what is happening to [editors@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:editors@connectionnewspapers.com)

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Nothing Secret About Friends Group

To the Editor:

I do not normally respond to Jay Spiegel's rants, but in this case I feel I need to reply to his charge in your May 9-15 issue that the Friends of Westgrove Park is a secret organization and not credible. We are not a secret organization. We are an informal group of citizens who support Westgrove Park as a protected natural area, a passive park that would maintain the wildlife corridor between Mt. Vernon District Park and Dyke Marsh. Most of our members are neighbors of Westgrove Park or representatives of environmental organizations.

Mr. Spiegel states we should exist as a Virginia corporation to be credible. To suggest that a citizen group needs to incorporate is ludicrous. We may annoy Mr. Spiegel, but speaking out and addressing our concerns to governing authorities are legitimate citizen activities.

We are not secret. On numerous occasions in the last two years I have provided the Park Authority and Supervisor Gerry Hyland's office with lists of our supporters. Usually this is in the form of signatures on a petition. We are not a formal group with dues and memberships, but we are not secret. Any readers wanting to receive our occasional communications should send their name, address, and email address with "Friends of Westgrove Park—subscribe" in the subject line to me at [mjdetweiler@cox.net](mailto:mjdetweiler@cox.net).

Before closing, I must comment briefly on Mr. Spiegel's efforts to measure the sound of dog barking with his decibel meter on a single

Saturday for 30 minutes. The noise from dog barking varies a lot over the days and weeks and cannot be judged by a single visit. Mr. Spiegel thinks noise from the dog park could not possibly create a disturbance 200 yards away in River Towers. It may seem surprising, but in fact the sound flows down the hill and across the property line.

Not all River Towers residents have been bothered by the noise, but for others it is a serious quality of life issue. People with balconies, people who walk the grounds regularly, and gardeners working the soil are among those who report being disturbed. "A beautiful Saturday morning ruined by barking" was one comment. "Lovely bird songs drowned out by snarling dogs" was another. Given this experience, we asked the Park Authority at the April 30 "open comments" meeting to protect the neighborhood from dog noise by sound barriers and/or no-barking regulations.

Mary Jo Detweiler  
Friends of Westgrove Park

## Watch Them Grow

To the Editor:

In my letter of April 25, I reported on the video camera I installed next to the Osprey nest behind my home on Little Hunting Creek. At that time, I revealed that our Osprey mother had laid two eggs. On May 22 and 23, the eggs hatched and two Osprey chicks are rapidly growing as their father frequently brings fish to the nest. It is quite interesting to observe the father tearing off fish flesh and transfer-



This osprey nest can be viewed on live video.

ring it to the mother, mouth to mouth, whereupon the mother feeds her babies. We expect the babies to grow quickly and begin flying by mid-July. The show can be watched at the web address: [www.littlehuntingcreek.org/ospreycam.html](http://www.littlehuntingcreek.org/ospreycam.html)

As of this week, the site has received over 2,300 visitors. Enjoy the show and also peruse the website which provides educational information about Little Hunting Creek as well as useful links to other websites.

H. Jay Spiegel  
Mount Vernon

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# SUMMER FUN



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## Fort Ward Civil War Day

Susan Cumby displays headquarters flag that that was designed and made by camper Brendan Pagona after a lesson in Civil War flags and symbols. Brendan used the 5th Army Corp emblem, the Maltese Cross. Fort Ward will celebrate Civil War Fort Day on Saturday, June 8, 2013.

## Summer Fun in Alexandria

Summertime and the livin' is easy in Alexandria, where the calendar from Memorial Day to Labor Day is filled with holidays and events that celebrate our city and culture — both American and for the traditions of some of the many ethnic communities that make up the colorful and diverse fabric of the city.

The fun kicks off this weekend with the Alexandria Art Market. Sponsored by the Del Ray Artisans, the market features local artists and musical performances from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Colasanto Park on the first Saturday of each month through September. Visit [www.TheDelRayArtisans.org](http://www.TheDelRayArtisans.org).

Throughout the summer, enjoy free concerts in Market Square, street musicians at the City Dock and the First Thursday celebrations in Del Ray. The June 6 First Thursday theme is The Dog Days of Summer and July 11 (delayed one week) is Main Street Celebrates.

Alexandria celebrates its own birthday July 13 with a concert by the Alexandria Symphony Orchestra under the stars at Oronoco Bay Park and a fireworks display at the waterfront.

No need to wait for the Dog Days of August to enjoy the Alexandria tradition of Doggy Happy Hour at the Hotel Monaco, Yappy Hour at Artfully Chocolate Old Town or a Thursday night Canine Cruise with the Potomac Riverboat Company. A Pirates Cruise is a must for the Jack Sparrow crowd and the Skipjack Minnie V. offers a unique sailing experience along the historic Potomac riverfront.

Want to support fellow Old Town resident Davey Johnson's team by heading to a Washington Nationals game? There is no better way to get to Nationals Park than the Baseball Boat. Take it from the Alexandria City Dock right to the stadium. Available games and more information can be found at [www.potomacriverboatco.com](http://www.potomacriverboatco.com). Note that July 20 is Davey Johnson bobblehead night.

For the landlubber, Bike and Roll of Old Town offers historic tours of Alexandria and Mount Vernon

in addition to bike rentals and specialized group tours.

It wouldn't be summer without a few blockbuster productions from The Little Theatre of Alexandria. Opening this weekend is the comedy Twentieth Century with the Tony award-winning Broadway musical "Avenue Q" making its debut on July 27. Visit [www.thelittletheatre.com](http://www.thelittletheatre.com).

Festivals abound in Alexandria, beginning with the Armenian Festival June 1, the Taste of Del Ray June 9, Alexandria's Food and Wine Festival June 22, the Friendship Firehouse Festival Aug. 3, and the Irish Festival Aug. 10 at Waterfront Park.

On June 8, Fort Ward will hold a Civil War Fort Day where various aspects of military life in the Defenses of Washington will be portrayed by interpreters in period dress. Visit [www.fortward.org](http://www.fortward.org).

And the award-winning barbershop Alexandria Harmonizers, who have been invited to participate in the D-Day 70th anniversary ceremonies in Normandy next summer, makes an appearance with a free performance at Market Square on Aug. 9 at 7:30 p.m.

Don't overlook the many offerings available through the Alexandria Library, which hosts classes like Tech Zoo Tuesdays, where you can learn about the latest e-reading devices or get help with your own device.

The Charles Beatley library will feature an Older Folks Film Festival throughout the month of June. Calendar Girls kicks off June 9 at 2 p.m. followed by The Bucket List on June 16 and Away From Her on June 23.

You can find your literary better half at the June 13 Library Speed Dating event or head over to the Kate Waller Barrett branch on June 29 for a tutorial on how to check out e-books from the library. Visit [www.alexandria.lib.va.us](http://www.alexandria.lib.va.us).

With so much to offer, you don't have to look very far to get your own summer of 2013 party started.

— JEANNE THEISMANN



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## Christmas in July

Sam and James visit with Mr. and Mrs. Claus dressed in summer attire at the co-sponsor of the weekend event, Christmas in July last summer.



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## The Sounds Of Summer

A cappella street musicians After the Storm entertained a crowd filled with Rolling Thunder bikers, tourists and residents with their signature Motown sound on King Street in Old Town May 25, 2012. The summer is filled with music from free concerts and street musicians.

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E-mail announcements to [gazette@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:gazette@connectionnewspapers.com). Photos and artwork are encouraged. Deadline is Thursday at noon.

### ONGOING

**Summer Classes.** Art at the Center, 2804 Sherwood Hall Lane. Children ages 6-10 can participate. Register at [www.artatthecenter.org](http://www.artatthecenter.org) or 703-201-1250.

**Ceramics Exhibition.** Through Sunday, June 2 at Target Gallery, Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Come to an exhibition of non-functional ceramic artwork. Free. For more information, go to [www.torpedofactory.org/target](http://www.torpedofactory.org/target).

**Theater Performance.** MetroStage, 1201 N. Royal St., presents "Ghost-Writer." Performances are Thursday and Friday at 8 p.m.; Saturday at 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. extended through Sunday, June 16. Tickets are \$45-\$55; \$25/student. Visit [www.metrostage.org](http://www.metrostage.org) or 703-548-9044 for tickets.

**Art Exhibit.** Through Sunday, June 16,

see artwork by Sandy LeBrun-Evans and Danny Conant at Multiple Exposures Gallery in the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Free. Hours are Thursdays from noon-9 p.m., all other days from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Visit [www.torpedofactory.org](http://www.torpedofactory.org) for more.

**Student Design Competition.** Come see Woodlawn transformed from a historic house museum into a comfortable and stylish home for 21st century living. Through Sunday, June 16. \$20. Call 703-780-4000.

**Watercolor Exhibit.** Through Sunday, June 23, see "Paintings of the Potomac Valley Watercolorist" at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Hours at the Historic House are Wednesday-Sunday, noon-4:30 p.m. and at the Horticulture Center are Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and Sunday, noon-4:30 p.m. Visit [potomacvalleywatercolorists.org](http://potomacvalleywatercolorists.org) for more.

**Art Exhibit.** Through Tuesday, June 25, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at River Farm Gardens, East Blvd. Come see "Elegance of Spring."

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**Art Exhibit.** Open through Aug. 3, "Living Legends of Alexandria: African American Activists" is on display at the Alexandria Black History Museum, 601 Wythe St. Free. Hours are Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Visit [www.alexblackhistory.org](http://www.alexblackhistory.org) or 703-746-4356.

**Distillery Open.** George Washington's Distillery and Gristmill open through Oct. 1. \$17/adult, \$8/child, 5 and under are free.

**Occupied City: Life in Civil War Alexandria Exhibition.** At The Lyceum, Alexandria's History Museum, 201 South Washington Street. Open daily through September, this exhibit traces life in Alexandria following Virginia's decision to secede from the Union in May 1861. See how Robert E. Lee's hometown was transformed literally overnight from a prosperous commercial port into a supply, hospital, and transportation center for the Union Army, and find out why Alexandria became a destination for African Americans seeking freedom. Explore the experiences of Alexandrians and others who lived here during this time, as well as period photographs and collections items. Open Monday through Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, from 1-5 p.m. Admission \$2. Visit [www.alexandriahistory.org](http://www.alexandriahistory.org) or call 703-746-4994.

**Life Drawing.** Del Ray Artisans offers a range of open life drawing sessions to hone figure drawing skills. Drop-in with your supplies to draw our live models. Fee: \$8-12. View the calendar at

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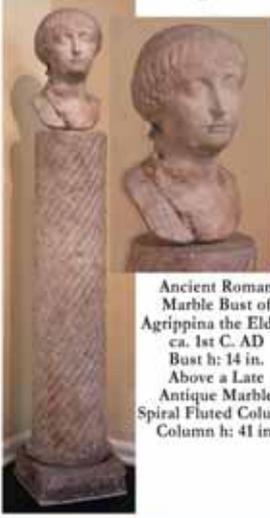
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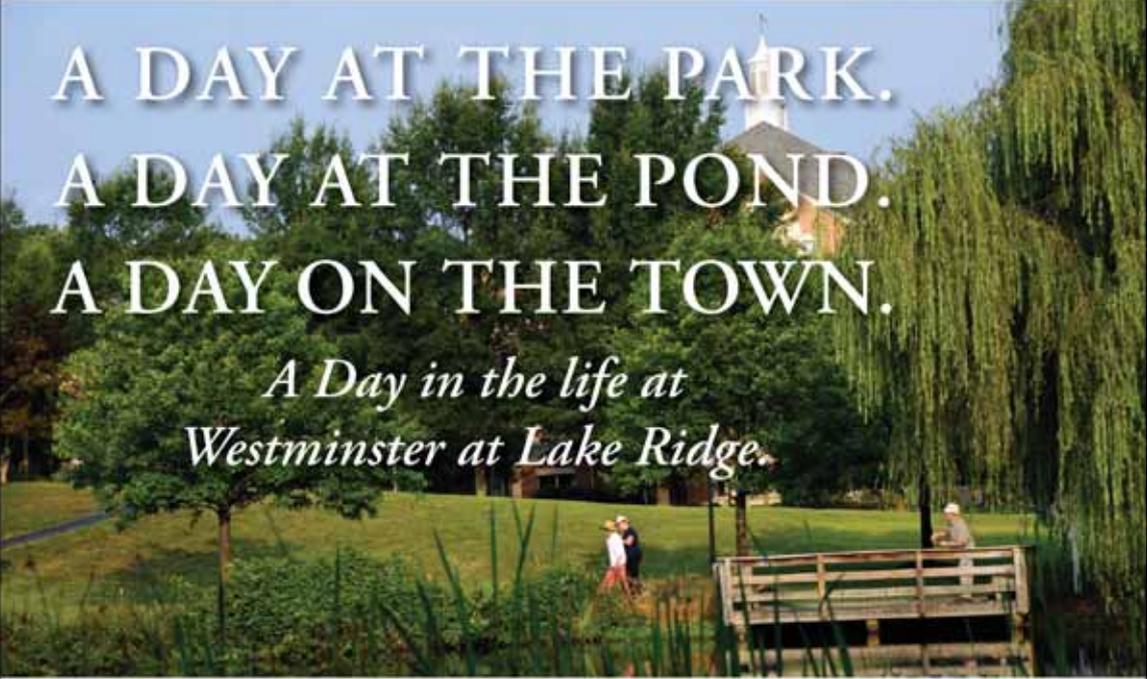
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[www.TheDelRayArtisans.org](http://www.TheDelRayArtisans.org).  
The **West End Farmers Market** will run Sundays from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. through November. Located at Ben Brenman Park, browse food, crafts and more. Visit [www.westendfarmersmarket.org](http://www.westendfarmersmarket.org) for more.

### SATURDAYS THROUGH JUNE 29

**Walking Tour Devoted to Dogs.** 10 a.m. at Mount Vernon Estate. All dogs on a leash can enjoy a 1.25 mile walk around the estate, and learn about canine life at Mount Vernon. \$5/for the tour plus the general admission for owners. Dogs are free. Visit [www.mountvernon.org](http://www.mountvernon.org) or 703-780-2000.

### THURSDAY/MAY 30

**Psychic Show.** 7:30 p.m. at the Birchmere, 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave. Come see Sylvia Browne present her one woman show about her work in the field of parapsychology, give readings and hold a Q&A on her field and work. \$55. Visit [www.birchmere.com](http://www.birchmere.com).

**Tour.** 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Leaves from Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Travel to Richmond to an herb farm for lunch and a class on lavender followed by an afternoon tour of the gilded age of Maymont Estate and gardens. \$119 per person. Register on-line at [www.greenspring.org](http://www.greenspring.org) or call Green Spring Gardens 703-642-5173.

**Mother Goose Time.** 10 a.m. at Duncan Library, 2501 Commonwealth Ave. Children ages 12-24 months can enjoy stories, activities and more. Free. 703-746-1705.

**Story Time.** 10:30 a.m. or 3 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Children ages 3-5 can enjoy stories, activities and more. Free. Registration required, 703-746-1702 ext. 5.

**Story Time.** 11 a.m. at Duncan Library, 2501 Commonwealth Ave. Children ages 3-5 can enjoy stories and more. Free. 703-746-1705.

**Story Time.** 4 p.m. at Barrett Branch Library, 717 Queen St. Children ages 3 and up can enjoy stories and more. Free. 703-746-1703.

**Pajama Party.** 7 p.m. at Burke Branch Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Children ages 3-6 can come dressed in their favorite outfit/pajamas and listen to stories. Free. 703-746-1704.

**Sharing Your Story.** 7 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Learn how to tell a story through blogs and other social networking tools, such as twitter, Pinterest and more. Free. 703-746-1702.

**Music Performance.** 8 p.m. at Old Town Theater, 815 King St. Hear The Mike Tony Echols Project. Buy tickets at [www.oldtowntheater1914.com/home.html](http://www.oldtowntheater1914.com/home.html) or 703-544-5313.

### THURSDAYS-SATURDAY/MAY 31-JUNE 1

**Fundraiser.** 7 p.m. Silent Auction at West Potomac High School Spring Choral Show to support the All Night Graduation Celebration. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. Visit [www.fcps.edu/WestPotomacHS/index.html](http://www.fcps.edu/WestPotomacHS/index.html).

### MAY 30 THROUGH JULY 14

**Art Exhibit.** See "Hair Apparent" in the Athenaeum Gallery, 201 Prince St. It is a multimedia exhibit featuring sculpture, photography, performance and assemblage. Free.

### FRIDAY/MAY 31

**Comedy.** 7 p.m. or 10 p.m. at Old Town Theater, 815 King St. Jody

Kerns performs. Buy tickets at [www.oldtowntheater1914.com/home.html](http://www.oldtowntheater1914.com/home.html) or 703-544-5313.

### SATURDAY/JUNE 1

**21st Annual Alexandria Armenian Festival.** 1:30-6 p.m. at Market Square, 301 King St. Enjoy vendors, entertainment, food and more. Free admission. Visit [www.alexandriainfest.com](http://www.alexandriainfest.com) for more.

**Alexandria Art Market.** 10 a.m.-4 p.m. in Colasanto Park, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Meet local artists and hear live music. Visit [www.thedelrayartisans.org/artmarket](http://www.thedelrayartisans.org/artmarket) for more.

**Closing Benefit.** 7-10 p.m. see "Artworks for Good" at Del Ray Artisans gallery, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Proceeds benefit American Cancer Society Call 703-838-4827 or visit [www.thedelrayartisans.org](http://www.thedelrayartisans.org).

### T.C. Williams Alumni Baseball Game.

2 p.m. at Eugene Simpson Field, 420 East Monroe Ave. All former players from T.C. Williams. Hammond, G.W. and Parker Gray High Schools are invited to play in the game and reconnect with old friends. \$20. Buffet dinner, courtesy of the T.C. Williams Baseball Boosters, will be served at the field immediately following the game. \$20. For more information contact Jeff Beck at [jbeck55@msn.com](mailto:jbeck55@msn.com).

**Music Performance.** Ottmar Liebert & Luna Negra perform at The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Visit [www.birchmere.com](http://www.birchmere.com) or call 703-549-7500.

**Wine on the Water.** 6-8 p.m. at Alexandria Seaport Foundation Workshop, 2 Duke St. Sponsored by Grape + Bean, with proceeds benefiting the Alexandria Seaport Foundation. Taste wine while watching boats sail by and bidding on silent auction items. \$60/person and at the door. Visit [www.brownpapertickets.com/event/373238](http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/373238) for tickets.

**Kitten Shower and Adoption Event.** 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at King Street Cats, 25 Dove St. Suggested gifts: KMR powder or canned, Pro-plan dry or wet food, Wellness wet food, Gerber baby food (chicken only), puppy pads, paper towels, and Fresh Step clay or pine litter. Refreshments will be served. Visit [www.kingstreetcats.org](http://www.kingstreetcats.org).

**Winning Color Combinations.** 9:30-10:30 a.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Learn the basics of color theory and how to apply them to a garden. \$15/person. Register online at [www.greenspring.org](http://www.greenspring.org) or 703-642-5173. Code 290 287 2701.

**Child Safety Event.** 11 a.m. at Central Library, 5005 Duke St. Bring your child to the library and learn about ways to stay safe. Create a "child ID kit." All ages welcome. Free. 703-746-1702.

**Saturday Stories.** 11 a.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. All ages can enjoy stories and songs. Free. 703-746-1702.

**Comedy.** 7 p.m. or 10 p.m. at Old Town Theater, 815 King St. Jody Kerns performs. Buy tickets at [www.oldtowntheater1914.com/](http://www.oldtowntheater1914.com/)



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## Ballyshaners' Irish Festival

Mary Style and Maura Blanchfield join the others onstage for a dance at the 2012 Ballyshaners' Irish Festival.

[home.html](http://home.html) or 703-544-5313.

**Camp Carlyle Open House.** 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at Carlyle House. See some of the activities that campers will experience during their weeklong camp in July. Register a child age 9-12 at the open house and receive \$25 off the fee and a free gift. 703-549-2997.

### JUNE 1-29

**Art Exhibit.** Eight painters, including Alexandria artist Christine Gray, have been selected as finalists for the Bethesda Painting Awards. Their works will be on display at Gallery B, 7700 Wisconsin Ave., Suite E, Bethesda. Free. Gallery hours are from noon-6 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday.

### JUNE 1 THROUGH JUNE 30

**Art Exhibit.** The artists of Studio 4, Old Town, 218 N. Lee St., Suite 101, have created 2D and 3D artworks on the themes of pride and equality. Hours are Wednesday through Saturday 11 a.m.-7 p.m. and Sunday from noon-5 p.m. Visit [www.facebook.com/WorkhouseStudio4](http://www.facebook.com/WorkhouseStudio4) for more.

### SUNDAY/JUNE 2

**Opening Reception.** 4-6 p.m. see "Hair Apparent" in the Athenaeum Gallery, 201 Prince St. It is a multimedia exhibit featuring sculpture, photography, performance and assemblage. Free.

**Hymn Festival.** 5 p.m. at Historic Christ Church, 118 N. Washington St. The choirs of Christ Church, St. Mary's Arlington, Grace Church Alexandria, St. George's Arlington, St. Luke's Alexandria, St. Paul's Alexandria, and Church of the Redeemer Bethesda, will combine for a memorable hymn festival. The service will feature a variety of hymns sung by both the congregation and the combined choirs. A reception will follow in the churchyard. Visit [www.historicchristchurch.org](http://www.historicchristchurch.org) for more.

**The Whole Hog.** 11 a.m. at Union Street Public House, 121 S. Union St. Enjoy an all-you-can eat Southern-

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style barbeque menu. \$20. Reservations at 703-548-1785.

**Opening Reception.** 4-6 p.m. at Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Meet some of the artists participating in the exhibit "Hair Apparent," an exhibit that explores the relationship with hair. Free. Visit [nvfaa.org](http://nvfaa.org) or 703-548-0035.

**Book Day.** 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. during the West End Farmers Market at Ben Brenman Park. Meet and chat with eight local authors who will talk about their books and writing. Bring a book and swap it for a different one or buy one. Visit [www.westendfarmersmarket.org](http://www.westendfarmersmarket.org) for more.

**Author Series.** 2 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Deborah Parker will discuss her book "For People of Strength, Soul and Spirit: Seven Guidelines for Life and Career Success." Free. 703-746-1702.

**Performance.** Patty Griffin performs at 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. \$55. Visit [www.birchmere.com](http://www.birchmere.com) or 703-549-7500.

**Civil War Sunday.** 1-5 p.m. at Alexandria Archaeology Museum, 105 N. Union St., #327. See an original edition of a 1861 "New York Tribune" detailing Col. Elmer Ellsworth's death in Alexandria, a Peeps diorama, weapons and more. Free. Visit [www.alexandriarchaeology.org](http://www.alexandriarchaeology.org) or 703-746-4399.

## MONDAY/JUNE 3

**Little One-Ders.** 10:30 a.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Children ages 12-23 months can enjoy stories and more. Registration required, 703-746-1702 ext. 5.

**Baby Rhyme Time.** 11:30 a.m. at Beatley Central Library, 5005 Duke St. Children up to 11 months with adult. Free. 703-746-1702.

**Read, Sing & Play Baby.** 4 p.m. at Barrett Branch Library, 717 Queen St. Children up to 11 months can enjoy stories and more. Free. 703-746-1703.

**Container Gardening.** 7 p.m. at Burke Branch Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Learn how to successfully grow vegetables and herbs in containers. Free. 703-746-1704.

**Performance.** Patty Griffin performs at 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. \$55. Visit [www.birchmere.com](http://www.birchmere.com) or 703-549-7500.

## JUNE 3 THROUGH 13

**Art Class.** At Art at the Center, 2804 Sherwood Hall Ln. Artists ages 4-6 explore clay, paint, collage, building, drawing and printing in a playful studio setting. Call 703-201-1250 or visit [www.artatthecenter.org](http://www.artatthecenter.org).

## TUESDAY/JUNE 4

**Mother Goose Time.** 10:15 a.m. at Barrett Branch Library, 717 Queen St. Children ages 12-24 months can enjoy games, rhymes and more. Free. 703-746-1703.

**Time For 2s.** 10:30 a.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Children age 24-36 months can enjoy stories and more. Free. Registration required, 703-746-1702 ext. 5.



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## Friendship Firehouse Birthday Celebration

**Station 204 firefighter Rick Muse helps Ben down from one of the fire trucks on display at the 2012 Friendship Firehouse birthday celebration.**

**Stories to Grow On.** 11 a.m. at Barrett Branch Library, 717 Queen St. Children age 2 and up can enjoy stories and more. Free. 703-746-1703.

**Tuesday Tots.** 11 a.m. at Burke Branch Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Children ages 1-4 can enjoy stories and more. Free. 703-746-1704.

**Baby Rhyme Time.** 11:30 a.m. at Beatley Central Library, 5005 Duke St. Children up to 11 months with adult. Free. 703-746-1702.

**Film Screening and Q&A.** 7 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Watch "Through the Eye of the Needle" and have a conversation with Bernice Steinhardt. Free. 703-746-1702.

**Game Night.** 7 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Children ages 8-12 can play with their friends. Free. 703-746-1702.

## WEDNESDAY/JUNE 5

**Book Discussion.** 7 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Celia Wexler will discuss "Out of the News: Former Journalist Discusses a Profession in Crisis." Free. 703-746-1751.

**Mother Goose Time.** 10:15 a.m. at Barrett Branch Library, 717 Queen St. Children ages 12-23 months can enjoy games, rhymes and more. Free. 703-746-1703.

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**Stories to Grow On.** 11 a.m. at Barrett Branch Library, 717 Queen St. Children age 2 and up can enjoy stories and more. Free. 703-746-1703.

**Friends' Book Sale Preview.** 5 p.m. at Burke Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Memberships will be available at the door. 703-746-1704.

**Pajama Party.** 7 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. All ages can come dressed in their favorite outfit/pajamas and listen to stories. Free. 703-746-1702.

**Music Performance.** See Pokey LaFarge with Luke Winslow King at 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. \$20.

Visit [www.Birchmere.com](http://www.Birchmere.com) or 703-549-7500.

**Concert.** Noon-1 p.m. at Canal Center Plaza, 44 Canal Center Plaza. Music by Dave Chappell Band. Free. 703-746-5592.

## THURSDAY/JUNE 6

**Garden Stroll and Tea.** 1-3 p.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Tour some of the gardens with a master gardener docent who will tell stories of Green Spring past and present. Afterwards, enjoy a traditional English afternoon tea served in our 1784 historic house. \$28. Call 703-914-7987 to register.

**Do More in 24.** 4-6 p.m. at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Road. Good Shepherd Housing and Family Services is hosting a free event to raise awareness and funds for homeless families. Will include chalk drawing, door prizes, music and more. Local author Alexis Conti will read from her new book. Donations of books encouraged. 703-768-9404.

**D-Day Remembrance.** 6-8 p.m. at Market Square. Memorabilia from World War II will be on display. Free. 703-489-7717.

**Story Time.** 10:30 a.m. or 3 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Children ages 3-5 can enjoy stories, activities and more. Free. Registration required, 703-746-1702 ext. 5.

**Little One-Ders.** 11:15 a.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Children ages 12-23 months can enjoy stories and more. Registration required, 703-746-1702 ext. 5.

**Friends' Book Sale.** 1:15 p.m. at Burke Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Buy books and help support the library. 703-746-1704.

**Paws to Read.** 5:30 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Children in grades 1-6 can read to friendly dogs. Registration required, 703-746-1702 x5.

**Writing Triage.** 6:30 p.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. Get a resume or writing project reviewed and get suggestions on how to improve it. Free. 703-746-1742 to register.

**Pajama Party.** 7 p.m. at Burke Branch Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Children ages 3-7 can come dressed in their favorite outfit/pajamas and listen to stories. Free. 703-746-1704.

**Garden Stroll & Tea.** 1-3 p.m., at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Tour demonstration gardens with a master gardener docent; afterwards, enjoy a traditional English afternoon tea served in a 1784 historic house. Ages 13 and older. \$28. 703-914-7987 or [www.greenspring.org](http://www.greenspring.org).

**Twilight Concert.** 7:30-8:30 p.m. at John Carlyle Park, 300 John Carlyle St. Concert by the Alexandria Singers and others. Free. 703-746-5592.

## FRIDAY/JUNE 7

**Friends' Book Sale.** 10:15 a.m. at Burke Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Buy books and help support the library. 703-746-1704.

**Basic Gardening: Herb Gardening.** 1:30-2:30 p.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. This overview of herbs will cover the basics of herb gardening including site selection, planning, preparation and plant selection. \$10/person. Register at [www.greenspring.org](http://www.greenspring.org) or call 703-642-5173. Code: 290 282 2701.

**Comedy.** 8 p.m. or midnight at Old Town Theater, 815 King St. Jonathan Kite performs. Buy tickets at [www.oldtowntheater1914.com/home.html](http://www.oldtowntheater1914.com/home.html) or 703-544-5313.

**Music Performance.** 9:30 p.m. at Old Town Theater, 815 King St. Hear Blue Dogs. Buy tickets at

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### Celebrate Alexandria's Birthday

The park slowly fills as the Alexandria Symphony prepares to perform at the 2012 celebration of Alexandria's 263<sup>rd</sup> birthday.

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[www.oldtowntheater1914.com/home.html](http://www.oldtowntheater1914.com/home.html) or 703-544-5313.

#### SATURDAY/JUNE 8

**Program.** Mount Calvary Baptist Church, located at 2221 Emmett Drive. Come to a community/health day program. Rain date June 29. [www.mountcalvarybaptist.com](http://www.mountcalvarybaptist.com).

**Mrs. Madison's Ball.** 8-11 p.m. at Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 N. Royal St. Enjoy live music, special dessert collation and a cash bar. \$45/advance; \$50/door if available. Visit [www.gadsbystavern.org](http://www.gadsbystavern.org) or 703-746-4242.

**Civil War Fort Day.** 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Fort Ward Museum & Historic Site, 4301 W. Braddock Road. Watch reenactors set up camp, lead drills and more. Tours will be at 11 a.m. or 2 p.m. \$2/person or \$5/family. Visit [www.fortward.org](http://www.fortward.org) or 703-746-4848.

**Friends' Book Sale.** 10:15 a.m. at Burke Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Buy books and help support the library. 703-746-1704.

**Saturday Stories.** 11 a.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. All ages can enjoy stories and songs. Free. 703-746-1702.

**Saturday Matinee.** 1:30 p.m. at Duncan Library, 2501 Commonwealth Ave. Watch a family friendly movie. Free. 703-746-1783.

**Watercolor Workshop: Backgrounds.** 9:30-3:30 p.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. A demonstration by watercolor artist Carolyn Grosse Gawarecki followed by a workshop session in painting gray-background florals for intermediate and experienced beginners; bring a bag lunch. \$72/person. Register at [www.greenspring.org](http://www.greenspring.org) or call 703-642-5173. Code: 290 230 4901.

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**Grand Opening and Free Classes.** Free yoga classes start at 8:30 a.m. at Radiance Yoga, 701 Prince St. Walk-ins welcome. Visit [www.radiance-yoga.net](http://www.radiance-yoga.net) or 703-535-8282.

#### JUNE 8-29

**Theater Performance.** See

"Twentieth Century" at the Little Theatre of Alexandria, 600 Wolfe St. Performances Wednesdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m. Visit [www.thelittletheatre.com](http://www.thelittletheatre.com) or 703-683-0496 for tickets or information.

#### SATURDAY-SUNDAY/JUNE 8-30

**Art Exhibit.** See the exhibit "Food: Friend or Foe," which examines the complex relationship we have with food. Showcases 19 works by artists from all over the country. Free. Located at Target Gallery, Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. Visit [www.torpedofactory.org/target](http://www.torpedofactory.org/target) for more.

#### SUNDAY/JUNE 9

**Sunday Film Fest.** 2 p.m. at Central Library, 5005 Duke St. Free. Watch "Calendar Girls." Visit [www.alexandria.lib.va.us](http://www.alexandria.lib.va.us) or 703-746-1702.

**Bike Day.** 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. during the West End Farmers Market at Ben Brenman Park. Local Motion and Arlington Rides will be at the market giving out biking maps and goodies. Used bikes will be for sale, and repairs will be offered by Phoenix Bikes. Visit [www.westendfarmersmarket.org](http://www.westendfarmersmarket.org) for more.

**All the Fair Ladies: Civil War Fundraisers.** 1-3 p.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Hear about how women in the North and South leapt into the war effort by raising funds through charity fairs and how fundraising empowered the women who organized them. \$28. Call 703-941-7987 for reservations.

**Performance.** Marc Cohn performs at 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. \$45. Visit [www.Birchmere.com](http://www.Birchmere.com) or 703-549-7500.

**Watershed Friendly Garden Tour.** 1-5 p.m. around Mount Vernon, including Mount Vernon Unitarian Church, two schools, a community garden and several homes. The tour highlights facilities that feature rain gardens, native plants, solar panels and more. Visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/nvswcd/gardentour.htm](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/nvswcd/gardentour.htm) for a list of locations. Free, and can be started at any location on the list.

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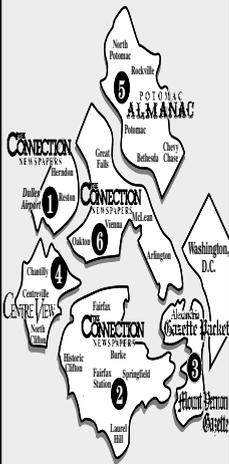
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-Arthur Wing Pinero

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### OBITUARY

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Marty Egan was president of his high school class and a member of the drama club, where he relished playing the role of Nanki-Poo in Gilbert and Sullivan's, "The Mikado." He became interested in golf when he caddied on local courses while in high school; it was a sport he enjoyed throughout his life.

Marty Egan attended Villanova University where he served in the Navy Reserve Officer Training Corps. He graduated in 1954 with a Bachelor of Science degree. He was then commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the US Marine Corps. He served over 26 years in the Marines, including three years overseas, completed a Master's Degree, and retired as a Colonel in 1980.

Colonel Egan had a distinguished aviation career as a Marine fighter pilot, flying A4 and A6 fighter attack aircraft. His outstanding service was recognized with many awards and decorations, including the Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star with Combat "V," 23 Air Medals, the Meritorious Service Medal, and the Joint Service Commendation Medal. He flew over 275 combat missions during the Vietnam War, many over North Vietnam; his callsign was "The Hawk." The Republic of Vietnam honored him with its Gallantry Cross, Meritorious Unit Citation, and Campaign Medal with device. Colonel Egan also served in Japan, commanding a fighter aircraft squadron at Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni. He completed his military career at the Pentagon, where he was in charge of officer assignments for the US Marine Corps.

After retirement, Marty embarked on a real estate career, working with several companies in Old Town Alexandria. He enjoyed golf, travel (particularly to Ireland), and socializing with friends in Old Town Alexandria and DC. His love of nature was reflected in the many plants he nurtured - such as a rubber tree in Laguna Beach, CA - and the uncanny communication he had with a regular menagerie of wildlife he fed from his back porch. Marty was very generous to those in need and quietly assisted people who had come on hard times. He loved life, but as a warrior fought the fiercest fight.

Colonel Egan was preceded in death by his parents and brother Harold Egan. He leaves behind siblings Rita Maureen Egan Hubert of Seattle; Joshua Egan Breland of Auburn, WA; James Edward Egan of Honolulu; Godchildren Lauren Rhoades and James Duke; as well as many friends. Plans are being made for a funeral at Ft Myer and interment in Arlington National Cemetery. Donations to the Wounded Warrior Project are welcomed in Marty's memory.

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### 21 Announcements

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PINEHURST, NC -- **Betty Whitmel Durfey Lyon, 88**, died at First Health Hospice House Sunday morning, May 5, 2013. She was a former long-time resident of the Waywood subdivision in the Mt. Vernon area.

A memorial service for Betty is scheduled Saturday, June 1, at Mt. Vernon Presbyterian Church on Sherwood Hall Lane.

Betty was born Oct. 2, 1924 as the youngest of the five daughters of Cary and Margeret Durfey of Raleigh, NC. She was raised in Raleigh.

Betty Whit graduated from Needham Broughton High School in 1942 and from Peace College in 1944. She married Vernon Frederic (Bud) Lyon on Dec. 26, 1946 in Raleigh.

Bud and Betty Whit began their marriage living in Denver, Colo., and their journey together also included living in Southern California, suburban New York in Tarrytown, N.Y., and finally to Alexandria.

In 1960 they and their two young sons, Fred and Larry, moved to the Mt. Vernon area south of Alexandria. It was there, in the Waywood neighborhood, where Betty Whit truly found her home and her calling as a friend, a mother, a hostess, a conversationalist, and a surrogate mother and grandmother to legions of people in and around that neighborhood.

Betty Whit was a people magnet. People loved her, and she loved people. She was never happier than a crowd of people were in her house, and she would "hold court," serving up food, drink, joy and laughter. She found complete joy in the act of simple hospitality.

She also began a career in banking in the early 1970's and worked for more than 20 years for Crestar bank in Alexandria.

Her husband Bud died in 1977. She never remarried, living independently the rest of her life.

In October, 2011, she sold her Waywood home of more than 50 years and moved next door to her son Larry and daughter-in-law Martha in Seven Lakes, NC.

Betty Whit was a lifelong Presbyterian. She was baptized in First Presbyterian Church in Raleigh, attended Presbyterian churches wherever she lived, and was a longtime member of Mt. Vernon Presbyterian Church in Alexandria. Since 2011, she had attended West End Presbyterian Church, where her son Larry is the pastor. She volunteered thousands of hours of time in the churches she attended and also at the Mt. Vernon Hospital in Alexandria.

Betty Whit is survived by son Fred Lyon and daughter-in-law Lynn of New Orleans, La., and son Larry and daughter-in-law Martha of Seven Lakes, NC. She also is survived by eight grandchildren, including Paul Lyon of Gastonia, NC, Ben Lyon of Chicago, Ill., Kaylor Kaemba of West End, NC, Alex Lyon of Austin, Tx., Prudence Scott of Raleigh, NC, Hannah Lyon of Philadelphia, Pa., and Cameron Lyon of New Orleans, La. She also is survived by eight young great-grandchildren, who were her latest joys in her joyful journey of 88 years.

She is also survived by two sisters, Margaret Timberlake of Alexandria and Dorothy (Dot) Hoover of Raleigh, as well as numerous nieces and nephews who counted her as their "favorite aunt."

Memorial and graveside services already have been held for Betty in North Carolina. The service in Alexandria on June 1 is an opportunity for her Mt. Vernon friends to celebrate her life.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Mt. Vernon Presbyterian Church, Sherwood Hall Lane, Alexandria, Va., 22308.

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**Debra Bessert and Lorraine Grant load the Homebound grocery bags in Rising Hope's food pantry.**



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## Helping Those in Need

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canned soup, tuna, pasta, rice, bread and fresh produce if it's available.

"We are looking for creative ways to raise money in donations to keep this vital mission going," said Bessert. "Every dollar that is donated goes 100 percent for food. There's no overhead."

When the bags are filled, volunteers Tom Finnegan and Bill Walters carry them out to Rising Hope's white Ford van. The driver,

Finnegan has been a volunteer for 13 years. John Delara also drives. Lisa Rose, another volunteer, rides along to help.

It takes \$150 a week to buy the food. Bessert and Grant purchase it at Aldis, a discount supermarket across the street. "We could not fund this food ministry without Aldis," said Bessert, "because the prices are so great."

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Rahim Costa-Dorsey and the Mount Vernon boys' soccer team beat T.C. Williams in a penalty-kick shootout during the Northern Region quarterfinals on May 23.



Mount Vernon senior captain Simond Kargbo controls the ball against T.C. Williams on May 23.

## Mount Vernon Boys' Soccer Beats TC in PK Shootout

### Goalkeeper Belanger makes three saves during shootout.

BY JON ROETMAN  
THE GAZETTE

Lucas Belanger stared up at the sky as he laid on the Mount Vernon soccer field just outside of the Majors' team huddle following a Northern Region quarterfinal match on May 23. Moments later, the senior goalkeeper sat up, crossed his right leg over his left and reflected on what had just occurred.

"Still taking it all in," Belanger would say, "... we can go to states."

A year ago at this time, the Mount Vernon boys' soccer team suffered a heartbreaking loss to Robinson in the region quarterfinals, falling short in a penalty-kick shootout without the services of Belanger. This time, facing T.C. Williams, Mount Vernon's 6-foot-2 netminder was back on the field and making a major difference.

Belanger made three saves during a PK shootout with the Titans, including the game-winner, as the Majors held on for 1-1 (2-1) victory on May 23 at Mount Vernon High School. The Majors advanced to the semifinals, where they faced Woodson on May 29, after The Gazette's deadline. The winner secured a berth in the AAA state tournament.

"That was one of the longest games," Belanger said of the TC match, "I've ever played."

Last season, Belanger, who received All-Met honorable mention from the Washington Post as a freshman in 2010, left the Mount Vernon program to focus on preparing for soccer at the collegiate level. Diego Castro, then a sophomore, took over for Belanger and his performance has drawn

praise from teammates. Castro started the 2013 campaign as the Majors' goalkeeper, but during the season, Belanger decided he wanted re-join team, creating a potentially awkward situation.

"I talked to all my teammates and I got their ideas if they would want me back," Belanger said. "I had to earn my spot; it wasn't going to be guaranteed. I wasn't just going to walk on and start ... but they were all accepting ... and happy for me to come back."

Belanger's first game back with the Majors was against Hayfield on May 2. Belanger and Castro split time during the season, with each keeper playing a half. After Belanger played the first half against T.C. Williams in the region quarterfinals, Mount Vernon head coach Tony Garza decided to play Belanger in the second half, as well, a decision Garza called "the hardest" he had to make that night.

"When Lucas came back [to the team], my first thought went right to Diego," Garza said. "I told him before I didn't lose any faith in him whatsoever. They'll split halves. Lucas said that he wanted to earn his spot back. He said 'I've got to earn the respect and trust of my players back' and tonight he sure as [heck] did that."

Mount Vernon took a 1-0 lead when senior captain Cedric Ekoue scored on a header with an assist from Derick Agyemangduan in the 10th minute. The Majors held the lead until the final minute of stoppage time, when TC's Eryk Williamson scored on a header off a corner kick from Neil DeWakar, sending the game to overtime.

"Keeping them focused after that happened was the hardest thing," Garza said. "As a coach, you can scream and yell but that's not going to do anything. The boys,

their emotions, their anger, their fear and frustration, everything overcame them — disappointment, everything.

"... The biggest thing [that] got them going was I looked over at the seniors [and] I was like, seniors, are you ready to call it quits right now? If you call it quits now, our season is over. Are you ready to call it quits now? Do you want to walk off the field at Mount Vernon High School knowing that you gave it your all, but

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**— Mount Vernon boys' soccer coach Tony Garza**

you couldn't finish? When I said 'you couldn't finish,' that just ... snapped it right back up."

After four overtime periods, a penalty-kick shootout would decide the match. After three rounds, Mount Vernon led 2-1, with Rahim Costa-Dorsey and Erik Rodriguez making their PKs for the Majors. From that point, Belanger saved the Titans' final two attempts to secure victory for Mount Vernon.

Belanger was the hero on this day, but the Majors praised both goalkeepers.

"We were pretty disappointed that he left



Aldaid Rodriguez and the Mount Vernon boys' soccer team advanced to the Northern Region semifinals.

us last year, but we had a great goalkeeper, Diego, step in," Ekoue said. "... We're happy to have two great keepers. Diego is just as good at PKs as Lucas is, but today Lucas stepped in, Diego supported as he should as a teammate and [we] pulled off the win."

Senior captain Simond Kargbo said Belanger and Castro are like "Brett Favre and Peyton Manning."

"Diego is one of the best keepers for his age group," Kargbo said, "and Lucas is freakin' amazing."

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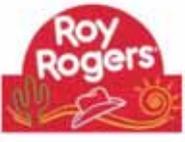


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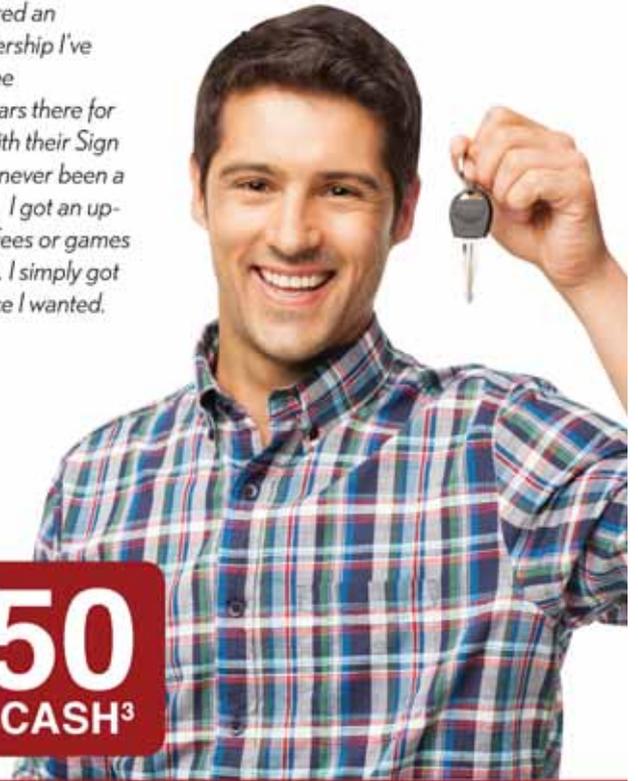
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