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Washington erected a stone gristmill in 1771 to increase production of flour and cornmeal and to be able to export high quality flour to the West Indies, England, Europe. In 1797, Washington's Scottish farm manager James Anderson encouraged him to build a whiskey distillery adjacent to the gristmill. The distillery was the largest in America, producing 11,000 gallons of whiskey in 1799, making it one of the

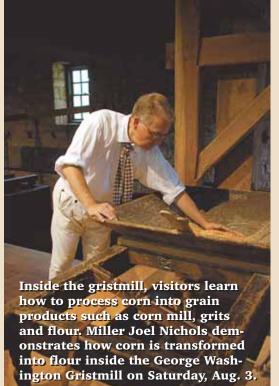
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gristmill and distillery.







Corn mill.

Costco Prepares For Opening

Mount Vernon store to employ 200plus and form local partnerships.

> BY STEVE HIBBARD THE GAZETTE

he new Costco is opening along Route 1 in Mount Vernon on Thursday, Aug. 8. The 140,000-square-foot warehouse club will employ more than 200 people, which brings the total number of Costco stores to 632 nationwide.

Construction crews, vendors, landscapers, and store employees have been working around the clock for 13 weeks preparing for the grand opening, which included



Costco employee Rosa Roca stocks the SEE COSTCO, PAGE 3 Bertucci gift cards.

Computer Clubhouse For Young Techies

Mount Vernon children in underserved areas learn technology skills.

> By Steve Hibbard The Gazette

he Computer Clubhouse at Gum Springs Community Center offers about 150 underserved children in the Mount Vernon area the chance to learn cutting-edge software and computer skills, filmmaking, blogging, Podcasts and robotics.

During the summer, children in Kindergarten through high school can record their own music on

CDs, learn digital photography, and write on a blog, which has 400-plus entries including short stories, poetry, photos, videos and book reviews.

The club also takes local field trips to the Torpedo Factory and the Air and Space Museum, and week-long trips where 14 youths went to the NASA Space Camp at Wallops Island, Va. The funding was provided by Equal Footing

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PEOPLE

Still Pursuing Justice

Former police detective seeks police oversight board.

BY GERALD A. FILL THE GAZETTE

C. residents and three U.S. Presidents have placed their trust and safety in the hands of Nicholas "Nick" Beltrante for many years before he retired from the D.C. Metro Police in 1963. Now, at 86, the twiceretired Metro D.C. police homicide/robbery detective and private investigator continues to work toward safeguarding the rights of others by proposing to the Board of Supervisors the creation of a Police Citizens Oversight Board which would be charged with investigating citizen complaints, pro-

moting police accountability, and serving as an independent voice for citizens.

This is only the latest effort by Beltrante to pursue justice and safeguarding the rights of citizens in a long and distinguished career.

Beltrante has been a part of Presidential and Washington history for the last half of the 20th century. Among his D.C. Metro police assignments, he served on details to protect Presidents Truman, Eisenhower and Kennedy. The former World War II

Navy corpsman and U.S. Marine also participated in the investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy.

After a career with the D.C. Metro police — with 37 commendations — Beltrante moved to Virginia, forming his own private investigation firm in 1971, Beltrante & Associates, Inc.

Some of the Beltrante's more public assignments as a private investigator included debugging the Democratic National Headquarters at the Watergate Complex and serving as director of security for the George McGovern Presidential Campaign. He also voluntarily played a key role in establish-

ing state licensure requirements for private investigators, formed a Virginia association of private investigators, and was instrumental in drawing up a code of ethics and professionalism for private investigators.

His 86 years and two retirements have not slowed or dulled his sense of justice. Beltrante followed the fatal shooting of Vietnam veteran David Masters some three years ago. He was disturbed by the unprovoked shooting and decided then to create an advocacy organization: the Virginia Citizens Coalition for Police Accountability to serve as support for his efforts to convince the Board of Supervisors that they should set up a police citizen oversight board to

> investigate complaints about alleged police misconduct. The idea was rejected. That was in 2010. Instead the board assigned its independent auditor the responsibility to investigate citizen complaints of alleged police misconduct.

> Since 2010 Beltrante and the coalition have identified six victims of police shootings since 2006. They were all unarmed as far as he can determine. One was shot 11 times. Another was shot in front of his house by

a SWAT team member who said he accidentally bumped his arm on the door and his gun went off as he was getting out of his car to present a warrant to the suspect for sports gambling. The victim was shot in the chest and was unarmed. He had no police record, and was an optometrist. Although the police officer was not prosecuted the county settled a lawsuit with the victim's family for \$2 million.

Since Beltrante began his effort to improve citizen oversight, the U.S. Justice Department's civil rights division has pro

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News

Computer Clubhouse Serves Young Techies

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Foundation.

"It's a place to help children find their passions through the use of technology," said Jyll Turner, 43, of Alexandria, who runs the Intel Computer Clubhouse at Gum Springs.

"They're excited about learning and developing skills in areas that they're passionate about," said Turner, who keeps track of developing software trends the youngsters might enjoy.

The Kindergarteners start with Tux Type software and learn how to type. Older kids can learn to use Adobe PhotoShop, Publisher, Microsoft Suite and PowerPoint, Adobe Premiere for editing digital videos, and Sculptris.

Turner says the skills are transferable in later life — like reading gleaned from the Book Club, or public speaking gleaned from the Poetry Club, or Prezi (online PowerPoint) for making presentations.

The club has a professional recording studio with an electronic keyboard, drum machine, mixing board and microphones so youths can do their own Podcasts, record original Hip-Hop music, and create ring tones for their cell phones.

Other workshops offered are Responsible Media Club and Broadcast Journalism. The Poetry Club takes field trips to Busboys & Poets in the District, where the younths do live poetry performances.

The youths shot pictures in a nearby graveyard in Gum Springs, the oldest African-American community in Fairfax County, and displayed them in the lobby.

After reading her book, "Good Fortune,"

the members of the Book Club got to Skype with its author Noni Carter and ask questions. On Monday, they sculpted volcanoes made out of homemade Play-Doh and created digital sculptures on the computer using Sculptris Software.

"We're trying to help them reach their passions and put them on equal footing with everyone else," said Turner, a self-taught software guru. "This place is a place where it's a safe environment to discover who you are and what you want to be"

The 20-year-old Intel

Computer Clubhouse Network has a partnership with Neighborhood and Community Services, and Gum Springs is one of 105 sites in the U.S. and in 20 worldwide serving underserved areas where kids don't have access to technology. Fairfax County has six clubs funded by grants from Intel.

After they made their digital films using Adobe Youth Voice, they invited the community to watch them at a Short Film Showcase. The youths did their own filming, editing, story boards — even their own acting.

Matavin Williams, 15, of Spring Gardens, has been attending the Computer Clubhouse for almost 10 years. The West



Members of the Computer Clubhouse at Gum Springs Community Center (from left): Jude Adekurah, Christopher Hernandez, Daniel Mulugeta, Yoshi Velez, Ryan Gamboa and Jeremiah Canty with Director Jyll Turner.

Potomac High sophomore created two films called "Gossip" and "Depression" that he posted on the Computer Clubhouse Blog.

"I just learn new things about myself that I didn't know before," said Williams who wants to pursue journalism. "When Ms. Jyll had us do poetry, I discovered that I wanted to be a writer."

Richard Lamptey, 15, is a sophomore at West Potomac High who lives in Gum Springs.

"I have worked on Mindstorm Robotics," he said. "We made this animation of a car that moved back and forth." He also takes advantage of the clubhouse's Microsoft Word to do his homework.



Matavin Williams, 15, of Spring Gardens with Jyll Turner, Computer Clubhouse director, at NASA Space Camp at Wallops Island, Va.

Taiyon Jackson, 9, is a third-grader at Stratford Landing Elementary who enjoys playing online games at Miniclip.com, making faces on Sculptris, and playing computer car games. "I made this eye goggle thing for a secret agent," he said. "And Ms. Jyll is nice."

The Computer Clubhouse has a sliding-scale fee for parents based on salaries. It is located at Gum Springs Community Center, 8100 Fordson Road. It meets Mondays through Fridays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. during the summer; and 2:30 to 7 p.m. during school days. Call Turner at 703-360-3014 or email Julia. Turner @FairfaxCounty.gov or visit www.computerclubhouse.org.

Costco To Employ 200-plus

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a VIP Open House Party on Wednesday evening.

"We're really excited about opening," said store manager Zade Parson of Aldie, whose license plate spells: [heart]COSTCO. "I'm very impressed with the quality, value, integrity and service we're going to offer the community." She said Costco plans to participate in the Alexandria and Mount Vernon community. "We're going to be very happy to be a partner in the community."

The membership club specializes in low prices on quality brand-name merchandise, offering a smorgasbord of everything from tires to electronics to coffins — even Jeeps. It has deals with local car dealerships to provide discounts on many brands of automobiles

Its tire center carries 114 different types of tires, with 1,400 Michelin and Bridgestone tires in its inventory. There is a 24-hour delivery service.

A Boutique Wine section is featuring highend wines like 2009 Pahlmeyer Red Blend from Napa Valley or a 2009 Merus Cabernet Sauvignon from Napa Valley, among oth-

ers.

The Road Shows and Tastings highlight rotating vendors such as Popcornopolis, Mayorga Coffee, Cuisine Solutions Sous-Vide and Prepared Foods and Aidells Sausage.

The clothing and shoe departments feature top-name brands such as Nike, Cole Hahn, Kirkland Signature shirts, Patagonia down jackets. There is also a full line of designer purses made by Chanel, Prada and Michael Kors.

This store has its own food court offering \$1.50 for all-beef kosher hotdogs and sodas, pizza, beef brisket sandwiches with coleslaw, smoothies and caesar salads.

It has a bakery staff of 14, baking birthday cakes, fresh croissants, bread, cakes, cookies and pastries daily. Its deli staff of 12 will be preparing Bruschetta, proscuitto, smoked and cured meats, exotic cheeses, caviar, mushrooms and truffles. Professional meat-cutters on staff process and cut beef, buffalo and pork chops, among other meats.

Costco's Hearing Aid Center offers its own brand of Kirkland Signature Hearing Aids. Its Optical Center offers designer frames made by Oakley, Armani and Gucci. The

pharmacy offers discounted prescription drugs.

The store's electronics department offers computer laptops, GPS devices, even a roomsize 90-inch LED TV.

The full-service Photo Center offers photo processing, video to DVD conversion, photo repairs, canvas prints, passport

photos, and ink cartridge refills.

The wireless cell phone center offers T-Mobile, AT&T, and Verizon products.

For larger kitchen appliances like refrigerators and stoves, Costo will deliver, install and haul away old appliances.

Costco has three types of membership: Executive for \$110, Business for \$55 and Gold Star for \$55. To join, stop at the membership counter of Costco, or call 1-800-774-2678 and a membership application can be faxed. Bring the completed application and fees to the membership counter at any Costco or mail to: Costco Membership



The new Costco will open to the public Thursday, Aug. 8, along Route 1 next to Wal-Mart.

P.O. Box 34783 Seattle, WA 98124-1783.

The company opened in 1976 in San Diego under the Price Club name. In 1983, the first Costco warehouse opened in Seattle. It became the first company ever to grow from zero to \$3 billion in sales in less than six years. Costco and Price Club merged in 1993, with 206 locations that generated \$16 billion in sales. Today, Costco's total annual sales exceed \$64 billion

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The Median Has No Message

Political signs banished from roadsides as campaign season heats up.

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE
THE GAZETTE

ome people call them flowers of democracy. Others call them weeds of political pollution. Whatever one thinks of the campaign signs and placards that appear along the roads of Fairfax County, expect to see a lot fewer of them. Last month, county officials launched a new program in which nonviolent inmates at the county jail hit the streets four days a week to remove illegal signs.

With apologies to Marshall McLuhan, the message is no longer in the median.

Anger and resentment has been rising over the issue of roadside political signs for years, and campaigns frequently go to war with each other to see which side can plant or steal or deface the largest number of placards. Unlike Prince William County, which had an agreement with the Virginia Department of Transportation that allows the local government to collect the signs and fine violators, Fairfax was caught in a bind. Part of the Virginia code made it illegal for the county to remove the signs in Fairfax County until after an election.



Don't expect to see political signs in the medians of Fairfax County this election season. Crews of nonviolent offenders are out four days a week confiscating the placards thanks to a new arrangement with the Virginia Department of Transportation.

Until now.

Last year, Del. David Albo (R-42) introduced House Bill 34. The legislation amended Virginia law specific to Fairfax County, allowing the commissioner of highways to enter into an agreement with the Board of Supervisors. Instead of waiting for the Virginia Department of Transportation to enforce the law against signs in the medians, the new law allows Fairfax County to enter into an agreement similar to the one that already exists in Prince William allowing the local government to collect the signs and issue a \$100 fine for each violation.

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HomeLifeStyle sections, the second week of every month. Peek at the top real estate sales, glimpse over-the-top remodeling projects, get practical suggestions for your home.

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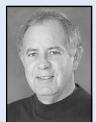
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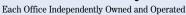
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neighborhood streets.

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"Once you do it a couple of times, then nobody does it anymore," said Albo. "Politicians are running to write laws, and they don't want to break them."

ALBO SAYS the 2011 campaign was the last straw. As the election for state Senate approached, the roadsides Fairfax County were littered with thousands of signs for every candidate under the sun. Because two different attorneys general issued conflicting opinions about whether or not political signs constituted free speech, Albo said,

candidates could argue the practice was legal. Albo's bill this year ended that ambiguity, clarifying the law even as it gave new authority to Fairfax County.

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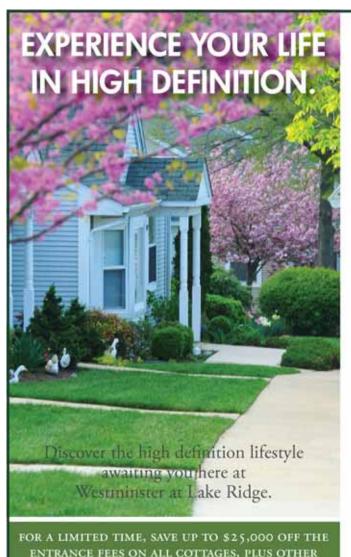
people for a number of years," said Springfield Supervisor Pat Herrity. "The county has tried before to address it, but we've clearly got it addressed this time."

Back in February, the supervisors approved a contract with VDOT. Now, as a result of Albo's legislation and the supervi-

> sors' agreement, Fairfax County has a contract to enforce VDOT's rules. The new program launched on July 1, and the cleanup crew of inmates has been out every Tuesday to Friday since that time. County leaders say the weekends are still fair game.

"Signs will be removed from selected highways, not all neighborhood streets,"

said Troy Manos, communications director for Bulova. "Basically that means if you are having a garage sale and you want to put a sign at the end of a small residential street, that would be OK."



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Profile

NICHOLAS BELTRANTE

Education: Bachelor of Laws degree, LaSalle University; Associate Degree, Penn State Institute of Criminology

Military Service: Former WW II hospital corpsman, U.S. Navy. Served on the Hospital Ship USS Consolation in Tokyo Bay, Japan as a pharmacist mate. After four years transferred and served in the U.S. Marine Corps.

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Purpose: The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), in cooperation with Fairfax County, The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) and the U.S. Army Garrison Fort Belvoir, is holding the first of two public hearings to present information concerning Route 1 Improvements at Fort Belvoir. This first public hearing focuses on improvements from 750 feet east of Cook Inlet Drive to Belvoir Station Road (Sections B,C,D). A second public hearing for improvements from east of Pohick Road to 750 east of Cook Inlet Drive (Section A) and east of Belvoir Road to Mount Vernon Memorial Highway (Sections E) will be held later this Fall, 2013. In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and 23 CFR Part 771, an Environmental Assessment (EA) was completed for this project and a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) was approved in November 2012.

The September 11 public hearing will be conducted in an Open Forum format. Project information displayed for public review will include the project plans, property impacts, relocation assistance information, and tentative construction schedules. Informational displays and handouts will be available at the meeting and project staff will be on hand to answer questions. Project plans will also be available for review starting August 12, 2013, at the following locations: Sherwood Regional Library, South County Center, and the offices of the Fairfax County Department of Transportation and FHWA (at address noted below). The EA is also posted on FHWA's website, www.Efl.fhwa.dot.gov/projects/environment.aspx, and additional project information can be found on the project website, www.rte1ftbelvoir.com.

Comments: Comments or other information relevant to the project may be submitted at the meeting or sent to Mr. Robert Morris, Senior Project Manager, Federal Highway Administration, Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division, 21400 Ridgetop Circle, Sterling, VA 20166, by the end of the business day on September 21, 2013. Comments may also be submitted via email to: robert.morris@dot.gov.

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OPINION **Issues That Matter**

Mental health services discussion gives insight into real differences between candidates.

t came as somewhat of a relief to have als and families with incomes up to 133 perthe candidates for governor in Virginia, Ken Cuccinelli (R) and Terry McAuliffe (D), discuss an actual issue that matters to many Virginia families this week at a forum on mental health issues. EDITORIALS

While press coverage of Cuccinelli and McAuliffe might lead one to be-

lieve that they are two similar, ethically challenged candidates, in fact they differ dramatically in their views about key issues affecting

Money is critical to providing appropriate mental health services. So is access to health insurance that covers treatment for mental ill-

Virginia has an opportunity to expand health care for poor residents, with the bill paid by the federal government. Virginians are already paying the taxes that fund the expansion of Medicaid in other states. This would provide coverage for individuals with income up to \$14,856 — \$30,656 for a family of four.

Cuccinelli opposes expanding Medicaid; McAuliffe supports it.

Virginia stands to lose more than \$9.2 billion in federal funds over the first five years if it opts out of Medicaid expansion to individucent of the poverty level.

It's a travesty that legislators engaged in partisan grandstanding could get to decide that as many as 400,000 Virginians would not get access to health coverage.

About 13 percent of Northern Virginia residents do not have health in-

surance. Fairfax County government, which supports the expansion, says it would provide coverage for 25,000 to 30,000 Fairfax County

Beyond Gifts And Disclosure

It's unlikely that there will be a special session of the General Assembly to address "holes" in Virginia's disclosure laws. No doubt some changes to rules on gifts to candidates and officials and their families will emerge from the next session of the Virginia General Assembly, which begins in January.

Virginia is one of only a few states with no limits on campaign contributions and little oversight on campaign spending, setting the stage for abuses beyond gifts, shopping sprees,

etc. Reform should move beyond gifts and into genuine campaign finance reform.

Share Wisdom, Second Request

Our Insider's Edition Newcomers and Community Guides, will publish the last week of August. Thank you to the many people who have sent in contributions for publication. We are still seeking more input.

What tips do you have for someone getting to know your community? Do you have a favorite park? What sites in your community do you take visitors to see? We're hoping to share the places, activities, events, organizations and volunteer opportunities your neighbors might not know about.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Pedestrian Unfriendly

To the Editor:

Costco seems to have designed its new store at Richmond Highway and Sherwood Hall Lane for somewhere reachable only by auto, with high blank walls facing the street and the building's front facing its parking lot. The entrance is as far as possible from the nearest road. But there's a group of townhouses a hundred feet away, and a dense community with over 100 homes along the back edge of the Costco property. Across Richmond Highway is an apartment community surrounded by the houses of Gum Springs. I would guess that there are several thousand people living within easy walking distance of the store.

But Costco's designers seem to have neglected pedestrians: someone walking from the community behind the store will want to enter the property on the corner and cut across the parking lot to the entrance, saving one or two hundred feet of walking, but Costco didn't install a sidewalk or stairs to accommodate. Instead there's landscaping — which I predict will very soon sprout the bare dirt path that people create as they defy

such barriers. Costco has installed good bike parking - about 200 feet from the main entrance. Why not use a single auto space in front of the entrance, with the same capacity? And finally, how come the sidewalk leading in from Richmond Highway ends a few feet in, and dumps the walker into the traffic stream off the highway at least 300 feet from the entrance?

Luckily, I believe that the majority of Costco's investment in the site is in underground improvements and the slab; the above grade building is so inexpensive as to be easily modified or replaced in redeveloping the site for greater pedestrian friendliness. Even without such redevelopment, the edges of the site on Richmond Highway and Ladson Lane have enough room for small businesses — if Fairfax County allows it.

Have you ever been to Galaries Layfayette in Paris? I've read that the store itself owns all those sidewalk vending operations outside. Costco could take a leaf from their playbook.

Larry D. Huffman

Alexandria

Author's note: I'm both a member of and an investor in Costco, so my hands aren't entirely clean in this project.

Refrain from Judgment

To the Editor:

Two weeks ago, my letter was published in the Gazette criticizing Del. Scott Surovell (D-44) for the posting on his blog in which he called upon Gov. Robert McDonnell to resign in light of the allegations concerning gifts he received from the CEO of a Virginia company. In my letter, I took no position concerning the morality of the situation, only concentrating on the fact that the investigation was not complete and on the inference that Delegate Surovell's comments were politically partisan in nature.

In last week's Gazette, Peter Fraser criticized my letter pointing out that "The gifting problem for Governor McDonnell is as much a moral and ethical issue as it is legal." To set the record straight, I agree with Mr. Fraser. However, I still maintain that politician Surovell should have withheld comment until the investigation is complete.

Subsequent to my letter, Governor McDonnell repaid loans and returned gifts involved in this controversy.

On July 30, 2013, Virginia's two

U.S. senators (both former Virginia governors) refused to comment on the situation. Sen. Mark Warner stated: "I'm withholding all comments until all the facts come out." Sen. Tim Kaine said: "I generally feel like the right thing for a governor to do is not overly comment on issues about the successor. We don't look over each other's shoulders." Clearly, they concur with my view that politicians should not publicly comment on the issue of gifts given to Governor McDonnell until the investigation is complete. If that posture is good enough for these former governors and sitting U.S. senators, it ought to be good enough for Delegate Surovell and Mr. Fraser.

> H. Jay Spiegel Mount Vernon

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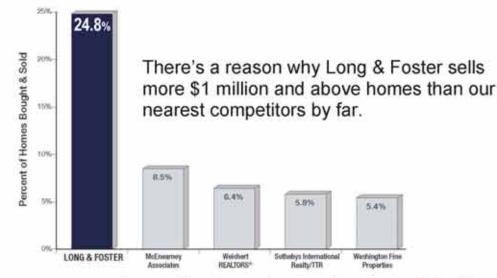


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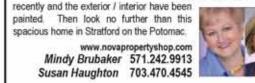
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If You Are What You Eat, Eat Well

Local nutritionist turns personal challenge into book and health and nutrition practice.

Cochrane

By Marilyn Campbell
The Gazette

hen Teri Cochrane's son was 18 months old, he was di agnosed with asthma and placed on a variety of medications, including steroids. Less than two years later, doctors warned the Reston mother that he would have frequent seizures, would never have a normal childhood and would never grow taller than 5 feet 4 inches. When Cochrane's daughter was born three years later, she also suffered from health problems, including chronic, severe abdominal pain.

"I went to great doctors in the area, but there wasn't an effort to find out why they were sick," said Cochrane. "It was always, 'Give them this medicine."

Cochrane was unwilling to accept constant medication without knowing the root cause of her children's illnesses, however. Making it her life's mission to find healing alternatives, she began doing her own research to find nutritional solutions.

"We found a pediatrician who was familiar with alternative medicine and we started our son on his healing path," said Cochrane.

"The doctor said 'Don't eat this,' but he didn't tell me what we could eat. It took a lot of effort and a lot of tears to determine how to feed my family in a different way. Fifteen years ago, the term gluten-free wasn't on anyone's radar."

Cochrane left her corporate career after 20 years and returned

to school to study nutrition, herbology and holistic methods of healing. She started her own nutrition and wellness practice called Healing Paths, Nutrition and Wellness Counseling, and has written a book called "Restorative Recipes: A Mindful Path to the Essential You."

HER CLIENTS RANGE from infants to adults. Cochrane's approach is tailored for each individual, focusing on specific health concerns and how they can be addressed through improved nutrition and natural supplements. She addresses ailments including allergies, hormonal imbalances, headaches, gastrointestinal upsets, menopausal symptoms, cancer and depression.

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high blood pressure, high cholesterol, cardiovascular disease, ADHD (attention deficit hyperactivity disorder) and other chronic and autoimmune conditions," said Cochrane.

"Food is our medicine," she con-

tinued. "But we've lost sight of our food. If you're eating fast food or food out of a package, you're not eating real food."

Cochrane approaches each client as an individual. "Each person has their own signature biochemistry, and that tells me what they need for their body," said Cochrane. "You have to eliminate certain foods and then reintroduce them after waiting a period of time between each introduction."

She also offers meal plans and provides cooking and shopping guidelines for balanced nutrition that will meet individual health needs. She even takes clients on grocery store tours to demystify the new shopping process.

ALEXANDRIA RESIDENT Tamara Kieffer is one Cochrane's patients. "I have had migraines for many years ... and wanted to get off some of the medication and explore

a homeopathic approach," she said. "It is a process and it gets frustrating because you want results right away. I got off gluten and cut out nitrates and nitrites, which meant giving up processed deli meat and hotdogs."

Once she began to see improvements in her health, Kieffer became motivated. "It is hard to cut things out of your diet, especially sugar, which was the last thing to go, but as soon as I did, my brain fog cleared and I felt so much better." She says honey and dates work well as sweeteners.

Kieffer stresses that changing her diet was a long and difficult process, but says the pay-off was well worth the sacrifice. "My migraines are much improved. I am not off my meds entirely, but I was able to reduce them and now they work 90 percent of the time. Before it was much less."

WHILE COCHRANE IS PROUD to have turned her personal research into a source to help others, she is especially proud of the health and well-being of her two children. Today, Madeleine, 15, is a ballet dancer in an elite professional program. Her son William is 19 years old and is 5-feet-11-inches tall and attending the University of Virginia on a full scholarship.



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A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:30 a.m., Wednes-Sealed proposal for the City of Alexandria per specifications will be received in the office of the Purchasing Division until the date and time designated as follows:

A MIASS OF CHIRSHIAI DURIE WILL DE RIED ALT. 30 a.m., wednesday, Algust 7, 2013 at Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 8710 Mount Vernon Highway, Alexandria, Virginia 22309, with Reverend Thomas P. Ferguson officiating.

> Those wishing to express sympathy online and obtain further information may do so by visiting www.farrisfuneralservice.com and signing the online guestbook

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING is hereby given that Alexandria Renew Enterprises (AlexRenew) will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on its PRELIMINARY BUDGET for the FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2014 on Tuesday, September 17, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at AlexRenew's Administrative (J) Building located at 1500 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA. The preliminary budget is available for examination by the public online at www.alexrenew.com and during regular business hours at the above address. Copies will be made available upon request – phone (703) 549-3381 ext. 2260. August 1st and September 5th Alexandria Renew Enterprises

BY: William Dickinson Secretary - Treasurer

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OBITUARY Josephine D. Steele October 8, 1915 – July 29, 2013

Josephine Dinkins Steele (Jo) passed away on July 29, 2013, at Goodwin House, Alexandria, VA. Born Marie Josephine Dinkins in Yadkin County, NC, she grew up with her mother and 4 brothers and 1 sister, all of whom preceded her in death. She graduated from Yadkinville High School and Harbargers Business School in Raleigh, NC. Married to James F. Steele on February 19, 1938, she moved with her husband and children to Alexandria, VA, in March 1947. She spent 29 years working in the Public School Administration Office of Alexandria, retiring in 1980.

She traveled extensively with friends, visiting numerous European countries, Mexico, Canada, and Australia. She was ar avid reader and loved crossword puzzles.

Her husband preceded her in death in May 1997. She is survived by her 3 sons, James F. Steele of Southern Pines, NC. Cary B. Steele of The Villages, FL; and Richard C. Steele of Alexandria. She is also survived by 6 grandchildren and 9

The family would like to thank the staff, and particularly the Funeral Home and Crematory of Alexandria. Online condolen ces may be made at www.everlywheatleyfuneralhome.com. A memorial service will be held at Everly-Wheatley Funeral Home, 1500 w. Braddock Road, Alexandria, VA 22302, on Saturday, August 17, 2013, at 11 AM with interment to follow at Mount Comfort Cemetery. The family will receive friends 1 hour prior to the service at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions may be made to Goodfamily requests memorial contributions may be made to Good win House in Alexandria, The Salvation Army, or The Carpen ers Shelter in memory of Josephine D. Steele

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Wickedly Witty

LTA brings "Avenue Q" to life.

By Jeanne Theismann The Gazette

hey sing, they dance and — OMG — they even have sex. They're the potty-mouthed puppets (and their human counterparts) of "Avenue Q," the Tony Award-winning musical now playing at The Little Theatre of Alexandria.

Conceived by Robert Lopez and Jeff Marx, who wrote the music and lyrics, "Avenue Q" is a coming-of-age satire on the anxieties of young adulthood. Mixing risqué material with Sesame Street-like puppets, the 2003 Best Musical on Broadway is bringing local audiences to its feet.

"I've seen 'Avenue Q' on Broadway and in London and this LTA cast is every bit as good," said theater veteran Roland Branford Gomez following the Aug. 4 performance. "The talent on this stage is truly remarkable."

At the center of "Avenue Q" are Princeton, a recent English grad, and Kate Monster, a kindergarten teaching assistant. In trying to find their purpose in life, both are abetted by a menagerie of neighbors that includes monsters, puppets, slackers and Gary Coleman. Yes, that Gary Coleman.

Directed by Frank Shutts II, the entire cast is incredibly solid with equally impressive puppet work.

Sean Garcia, as both Princeton and Rod, is especially adept at making his puppets spring to life with his animated, inspired movements. He deftly switches between vocal characterizations for Princeton and Rod, the uptight, closeted Republican.

Along with Garcia, Kristina Hopkins as



The LTA cast of the musical "Avenue Q," which runs through Aug. 17.

Kate Monster is a force to be reckoned with and together they lead a cast that is blindingly synchronized and talented.

Alexandria's own Matt Liptake, a recent transplant from Rochester, N.Y., makes his LTA debut and provides a trio of non-stop entertaining antics as Nicky, Trekkie Monster the porn addict and one of the hilarious Bad Idea Bears.

Sultry Claire O'Brien sizzles as Lucy the Slut with Stephanie Gaia Chu as the haranguing but hilarious social worker Christmas Eve.

Rounding out the robust cast are James Hotsko Jr. as Brian, Aerika Saxe as Gary Coleman and Charlene Sloan as Mrs. Thistletwat and one of the Bad Idea Bears.

Shutts' choreography is as impressive as his directing. What could have been confusing — several actors having not one but two puppets on their hands at various times — comes off seamlessly and is a testament to the effort he and the LTA cast and crew put into preparing for the show.

With set design by MYKE, costumes by Jean Schlichting and Kit Sibley and lighting by Ken and Patti Crowley, Shutts has assembled an award-winning team to bring a wickedly witty night of theater to the LTA stage.

"The set looks awesome," said Shutts prior to the show's opening. "LTA usually knocks the tech out of the park and they've done it again with this show."

With a delightfully devilish but politically incorrect score featuring songs like "It Sucks to Be Me," "Everyone's a Little Bit Racist" and "The Internet is for Porn," this is not a show for younger audiences. For everyone else, the laughter is loud and often at "Avenue Q," one of the best productions to be seen on the LTA stage.

"Avenue Q" is playing through Aug. 17 at The Little Theatre of Alexandria, 600 Wolfe St. Due to increased demand, additional shows have been added on Aug. 11 and 13. For tickets or more information, call 703-683-0496 or visit www.thelittletheatre.com.



Stephanie Gaia Chu as Christmas Eve with Kate Monster (puppet).



Lucy the Slut (puppet), Claire O'Brien, Princeton (puppet), and Sean Garcia



Rod (puppet) and Sean Garcia

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This **exhibit at Fort Ward**, located at 4301 W. Braddock Road, features objects from the museum collection, to tell this story of the event that launched the Civil War in Alexandria. Free. The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., and Sunday, 12-5 p.m. Visit www.fortwaRoad.org or call 703-746-4848.

African American Activists

Exhibition. Living Legends of Alexandria is an ongoing photodocumentary project created in 2006 by artist-photographer Nina Tisara to identify, honor and chronicle people making current history in Alexandria. This free exhibit is at the Alexandria Black History Museum, 601 Wythe St. The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Visit www.alexblackhistory.org or call 703-746-4356.

The Marshall House Incident
Exhibition at Fort Ward Museum,
4301 West Braddock Road . The
museum is open Tuesday through
Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., and
Sunday, noon-5 p.m. Visit
www.fortwaRoad.org or call 703746-4848.

Photography Workshop. 10:30 a.m.noon at Multiple Exposures Gallery on 105 N. Union Street. Photographers and enthusiasts of all skill levels are invited to share work, ideas, and questions at this free workshop held on the last Sunday of each month, except December. No

Entertainment

reservations. Call 703-683-2205. Summer Youth Programs. Metro Fine Arts Center 6450 Landsdowne

Centre Drive. Classes start July 8. Call 703-339-0444 or visit www.metrofinearts.com.

Gallery. Through Aug. 5 at the Art League Gallery in the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. "Fantasy of the Real," a solo show. Call 703-683-1780 or visit www.thearleague.org.

Art Exhibit. Through Sunday, Sept. 1 at Del Ray Artisans Gallery, 2704 Mount Vernon Avenue. The exhibit features seven Del Ray Artisans following their own theme and inspirations to create their own artwork. The gallery is free and open to the public. Visit www.thedelrayartisans.org.

Art Exhibit. Through Sept. 2, see "Shapes" and "'scapes" at Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union Street. An opening reception for both exhibits is planned for Aug. 8, 6:30-8 p.m.. Visit www.theartleague.org.

Mobile Market. Thursdays through October, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Landmark Mall parking lot on the Duke Street side. The Arcadia Center for Sustainable Food and Agriculture Mobile Market is a refurbished school bus offering produce, meat, eggs and more from small farmers and food artisans within 100 miles of the area EBT cards and WIC and Senior FMNP vouchers accepted. Visit arcadiafood.org

Friday Affair Market. 12-4 p.m. at historic Hollin Hall, 1909 Windmill Lane. Purchase baked goods, treats, flowers and crafts from local vendors. Held July 26, Aug. 9 and the first and third Fridays of every month through December. Call 202-256-5332.

Encore Chorale. Mondays 10:30 a.m.noon at the George Washington Masonic National Memorial, 101 Callahan Dr. Register now for Encore Chorale's fall season. The group of singers, ages 55 and up, practice classical and holiday songs to prepare for December performances. \$150 tuition. Visit encorecreativity.org or call 301-261-5747.

Metro Club After-School Program. Beginning Sept. 9 and running through June 2014, the Metropolitan School of Arts presents a new afterschool program for grades 1-6. The program is located at both the Lorton studio at Workhouse Arts Center. 9517 Workhouse Way and in Alexandria at 5775 Barclay Drive. Programs offered will focus on the arts, including music, dance, theatre, yoga and academics, as well as designated homework time. The program will run after school on Mondays, 1-6 p.m., and Tuesday-Friday, 3-6 p.m. MetroClub offers MetroRide buses so students can be transported from certain area schools. Tuition runs from \$130-150. Call 703-339-0444 or visit www.metropolitanarts.org.

Summer Camps

The American Backstage Company is offering a variety of summer classes and workshops, many which are free. Located at 5380 Eisenhower Ave. Visit www.americanbackstage.com for a

full listing. August Art Explorers. Aug. 2-23,

every Friday, 9:15 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. at 2804 Sherwood Hall Lane. Bring toddlers or preschoolers for guided exploration of clay, paint, collage, drawing and building in a supported studio environment. Visit www.artatthecenter.org

The Little Theatre of Alexandria is offering a new camp for children ages 5-7 from Aug. 12-16. Children are able to learn about the world of acting by participating in movement games, improv activities and

performances of skits. Full or half day sessions available. Call 703-683-5778 ext. 2 or visit www.thelittletheatre.com.

Saturday/Aug. 3- Sunday/Sept. 1

Art Gallery. Radio Sebastian: You, Me, and the Void. Reception is Thursday 6-8 p.m. Target Gallery, Torpedo Factory, 105 N Union St. www.torpedofactory.org/target.

Aug. 7-Sept. 2

Art Exhibit. At the Art League Gallery, 105 N. Union St. The annual August landscape exhibit "Scapes" features a variety of artwork from all media, inspired by the environment. Juried by Elizabeth Klimek. The opening reception will be held on Thursday, Aug. 8 from 6:30-8 p.m. Call 703-683-1780 or visit www.theartleague.org.

Thursday/Aug. 8

Performance. 7 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Joe Peck and Friends with featured artist Mercedes Mill. All tickets are \$10 and available online and at the door. Visit www.nvfaa.org or call 703-548-0035.

Doggie Happy Hour. 4-7 p.m. at the Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Bring your dogs for an evening in the Athenaeum garden. Lemonade and milkbones provided. Free. Call 703-548-0035 or visit www.nvfaa.org.

Movies at Martha. 7 p.m. at Martha Washington Library, 6614 Fort Hunt Road. Adults and teens age 13 and up can enjoy a movie. Call for title. 703-768-6700.

Night Time Tales. 7 p.m. at John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive. Children ages 3-5 can listen to stories. Registration required. Call

Twilight Concert. 7:30-8:30 p.m. at John Carlyle Park, 300 John Carlyle St. Concert by Jason Paul Curtis & Swing Lab. Free. 703-746-5592.

Aug. 8-Sept. 2

Art Exhibit. At the Art League Gallery, 105 N. Union St. "Shapes" features sculptures, forms and structures by Art League artists. Juried by Laura Roulet. The opening reception will be held Thursday, Aug. 8, 6:30-8 p.m. Call 703-683-1780 or visit www.theartleague.org.

Friday/Aug. 9

Lori Williams. Opening for Jose' James at The Birchmere 3701 Mt Vernon Ave. Tickets on sale now. Visit http://lorijazz.com/ or www.Birchmere.com.

Friday-Saturday/Aug. 9-10

Summer Sidewalk Sale. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Alexandria Black History Museum, 902 Wythe St. The sale includes books, exhibit catalogs, games, toys and DVDs. After visiting the sale, see the exhibitions within the museum's galleries. Proceeds go to museum programming. Visit www.alexblackhistory.org.

<cal1>Tuesday-Thursday/Aug. 9-11 Theatre. 10 a.m. Friday and Saturday; 10:30 a.m. Sunday at the Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Arts on the Horizon presents "Under the Canopy" an interactive theatre performance designed for children 0years old. \$3. Call 703-548-0035 or visit www.ArtsOnTheHorizon.org.

Saturday/Aug. 10

Workshop 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Green Spring staff shares casting and painting techniques for

'Daughter of the Struggle'

MetroStage play recounts Civil Rights movement.

By Jeanne Theismann THE GAZETTE

ormer Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives Nancy Pelosi joined comedian and civil rights activist Dick Gregory at Alexandria's MetroStage theater Aug. 1 for a performance of "Daughter of the Struggle," a one-woman show by Gregory's daughter Ayanna.

"There are so many stories to be told about Dick Gregory's impact on the Civil Rights movement," Pelosi said following the sold out performance. "I am so grateful to him for making us and America stronger."

"Daughter of the Struggle" is an autobiographical performance that uses music and intimate narratives to tell the story of Dick Gregory and his wife Lillian's involvement in the Civil Rights movement through the eyes of the Gregory family.

"I was there," Dick Gregory told the audience after the show. "I was with [Martin Luther]King 50 years ago in Washington and we stood our ground, but not with a gun or with anger."

Dick Gregory recounted many stories of his work alongside King and other civil rights activists, some of which are recounted by Ayanna Gregory in her performance.

decorating the home and garden. Program registration is \$45. Supply registration is \$20 and is due by Aug. 7. Call 703-642-5173 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/

Workshop. 10 a.m.-noon Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Learn to create a tabletop terrarium from begonia enthusiast Johanna Zinn. Container, plants, soil and care instructions provided. Registration is \$45. Call 703-642-5173 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/

greenspring. **Book Sale.** 10 a.m. at Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Center. Find items for all ages. 703-339-

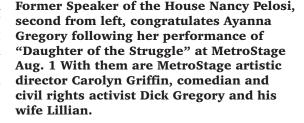
I Dig Sign Language. 10:30 a.m. at Martha Washington Library, 6614 Fort Hunt Road. Children of all ages can enjoy songs and games introducing basic American Sign

Wag A Tale. 10:30-11:30 a.m. at Kingstowne Library, 6500 12 can register to read aloud to a reading therapy dog. Registration required, 703-339-4610.

28th Annual Ballyshaners Irish Festival. 11 a.m.-7 p.m. at Waterfront Park in Old Town Alexandria. A day full of Irish culture provided by the Ballyshaners features musical groups, dancers and vendors of authentic Irish foods and crafts. All proceeds go to pay the cost of Alexandria's annual St. Patrick's Day Parade. Visit http:// www.ballyshaners.org/festival/

Free Meditation Workshop. 11 a.m. at Burke Library, 4701 Seminary Road, Learn breathing technique and more. Free. 703-746-1704.

How to Succeed at Iced Coffee. 11a.m. at Barrett Library, 717 Queen St. Learn how to make iced coffee and sample what is created. Reservations recommended, 703-



"When my father saw the show for the first time, it really moved him," Ayanna Gregory said. "That's when it hit him that Martin [Luther King] and Medgar [Evers] never got a chance to hear their children talk about the impact their lives had on their families."

MetroStage will be presenting an encore performance of "Daughter of the Struggle" for one night only Aug. 10. For tickets or more information, call 703-548-9044 or visit www.metrostage.org.

Language. Free. 703-768-6700.

Landsdowne Centre. Children ages 5

Sunday/Aug. 11

746-1703.

encouraged. Visit

Stuart. \$35. Visit

Jane Austen Ball. 8 p.m. at Gadsby's

Tavern 134 N. Royal Street. This

iced refreshments. After-5 dress

www.shop.alexandria.gov or

evening in the 1790s will feature a

variety of English country dances in

the historic ballroom, live music, and

www.alexandria.gov/gadsbystavern.

Concert. 7:30 p.m. at the Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave.

David Majerowicz opens for Marty

Saturday-Sunday/Aug. 10-11

4th Annual Alexandria Sidewalk

shops offering clearance deals,

promotions and product demos.

owned garages. More details at

ShopLocalAlexandria.com and

VisitAlexandriaVA.com.

Parking is free at meters and city-

Sale. New this year, the sale is over two days in two neighborhoods, Old

Town and Del Ray with more than 55

www.birchmere.com or call 703-549-

Family Days at Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 N. Royal St. Families can partake in tours by Junior Docents. The Museum is also offering a look at the newly restored Ice Well, which allows visitors to experience the science and history that goes along with the making of ice cream. \$5 for adults; \$3 for children age 5-12. Call 703-746-4242 or visit www.gadsbystavern.org.

EOD Warrior Foundation BBQ Festival. 2-8 p.m. at the American Legion/Gadsby's Tavern Complex, 400 Cameron St. The Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Warrior Foundation honors wounded and fallen EOD warriors and their families. Festivities include live music by Red Star. \$20; all proceeds go to

charity. Call 540-554-4550 or email info@eodwarriorfoundation.org. **Concert**. 3 p.m. at The Lyceum, 201 S.

Washington St. Pianists Sylvia Hong and Michael Rector will perform. Presented by the Washington Metropolitan Philharmonic Association. Free. Call 703-799-8229 or visit www.wmpamusic.org.

Monday/Aug. 12

Baby Lap Sits. 1:15 p.m. at John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive. Literacy programs for parents and babies. Ages birth through 12 months. Registration required. Call 703-971-0010.

Make it and Take it for Teens. 4 p.m. at Martha Washington Library, 6614 Fort Hunt Road. Teens age 13-17 can explore what's "beneath the surface" when creating a craft. Free. 703-768-6700.

Books and Ideas. 7:30 p.m. at Sherwood Library, 2501 Sherwood Hall Lane. Discuss "Year of Wonders: A Novel of the Plague" by Geraldine Brooks. Free. 703-765-3645.

Tuesday/Aug. 13

A to Zoo Preschool Storytime.

10:30 a.m. at John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive. Stories and activities for children ages 3-5 with an adult. Registration required. Call 703-971-0010.

All Creatures Great and Small. 2:30 p.m. at Kingstowne Library 6500 Landsdowne Centre. Children ages 6-12 can meet local animals from the Blue Ridge Wildlife Center. Registration required, 703-339-4610.

Second Tuesday Book Group. 7 p.m. at Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre. Discuss "Beach Music" by Pat Conroy. Free. Visit secondtuesdaybookgroup.blogspot.com or 703-339-4610.

Evening Book Group. 7 p.m. at Martha Washington Library, 6614

www.ConnectionNewspapers.com

Entertainment

Fort Hunt Road. Adults can discuss "The Boy in the Suitcase" by Lene Kaaberbol. Free. 703-768-6700.

Concert. 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Performance by George Duke. Tickets on sale July 12. Visit www.birchmere.com or www.georgeduke.com.

Wednesday/Aug. 14

Rising Words, Rising Images. 10:30 a.m. at Sherwood Library, 2501 Sherwood Hall Lane. Discuss "Farenheit 451" by Ray Bradbury. For teens ages 12-18. Free. 703-765-3645.

I Dig Dinosaurs. 10:30 a.m. at Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre. Children ages 2-5 can enjoy stories and songs about dinosaurs. Registration required, 703-339-4610.

Fun for 2's and 3's. 10:30 a.m. or 11 a.m. at John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive. Stories and activities for ages 2 and 3 with an adult. Registration required. Call 703-971-0010

Older Adults Book Group. 2 p.m. at Kingstowne Center for Active Adults, 6500 Landsdowne Centre. Discuss "Hitch 22" by Christopher Hitchens. Free. 703-339-4610.

Hitchcock Film Series. 6:30 p.m. at Duncan Library, 2501 Commonwealth Ave. Watch a movie and then discuss it at St. Elmo's Coffee Pub. Free. 703-746-1705.

Cool Yoga. 6:30-7:30 p.m. Maureen Clyne of Prasada Yoga offers, outdoor yoga classes at 1900 Mt. Vernon Avenue in Del Ray. Open to all skill levels. Free. Call 703-967-8884 or visit www.prasadayoga.com.

Book Signing. 7 p.m. at Beatley Central Library, 5005 Duke St. Mike Maggio discusses and signs his novel "In the Valley of Granite and Steel." Call 703-746-1751 or visit www.alexandria.lib.va.us.

Wednesday-Thursday/Aug. 14-15

Concert. 7:30 p.m. at the Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Justin Hayward, with opening act Mike Dawes. Call 703-549-7500 or visit www.birchmere.com.

Thursday/Aug. 15

Garden Stroll & Tea. 1-3 p.m. Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Tour the gardens and hear stories of Green Spring past and present followed by afternoon tea in the 1784 historic house. Registration is \$29. Call 703-642-5173 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/ greenspring.

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Yappy Hour. 5:30 p.m. Artfully
Chocolate, 506 John Carlye Street.
Artfully Chocolate has teamed up
with pet care company Paw'k Ave to
create happy hours with a twist. Call
703-575-8686 or visit www.pawkave.com.

Martha's Poetry Discussion. 7 p.m. at Martha Washington Library, 6614 Fort Hunt Road. Discuss the poetry of Natasha Trethewey. Free. 703-768-6700.

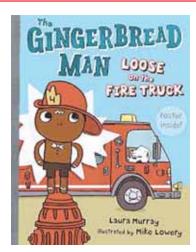
Book Discussion. 7:15 p.m. at John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive. Call for title. Free. 703-971-0010.

Friday/Aug. 16

Andy Poxon. Opening for JD
McPherson at The Birchmere 3701
Mt. Vernon Ave. Tickets on sale now.
Visit www.andypoxon.com/ or
www.birchmere.com.

Community Dance. 7:30-9:30 p.m. at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road. The Mount Vernon Swing Band, conducted by Owen Hammett, provides live music. Open to the community. \$4. Call

www.ConnectionNewspapers.com





Laura Murray

Story Time at Friendship Firehouse

Friendship Firehouse debuts its new Summertime Story Time Saturday, Aug. 10 at 11 a.m. with children's book author Laura Murray. Murray will read her new book "The Ginger Bread Man: Loose on the Fire Truck." Following the reading, children may enjoy a tour of the Friendship Firehouse Museum, participate in a fire bucket brigade race and ring the firehouse fire bell. The program, intended for children ages 6 and up, is conducted in partnership with Hooray for Books. Copies of Murray's book will be available for purchase at the museum, located at 107 S. Alfred St.

703-765-4573, TTY 711.

The Dixie Melody Boys. 7:30 p.m.
Mount Calvary Community Church,
6731 Beulah St., Alexandria. After
earning Grammy nominations for its
four-part harmonies, the Gospel
quartet brings them to a local stage.
Visitwww.mountcalvary.cc and
www.dixiemelodyboys.com.

Saturday/Aug. 17

Auditions for the Washington

School of Ballet. The Washington Ballet, 3515 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. Ages 4-5 will audition 10-11 a.m., ages 6-7 11:15-12:15, and ages 8-10 12:30-2 p.m. in the England Studio. Ages 11-13 10-11:30 a.m. at the Phillips Studio. All other ages will audition at 12-1:30 p.m. in Philips Studio. Audition fee is \$30 and registration is required. Visit www.washingtonballet.org or call 202-362-3606.

Board Gaming with Wargame Wake. 10 a.m. at Beatley Library, 5005 Duke St. All ages can play a variety of games. Beginners welcome. Join an existing game or bring your

own board. Free. 703-746-1702. **Wag A Tale.** 10:30-11:30 a.m. at Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre. Children ages 5-12 can register to read aloud to Chester, a reading therapy dog. Registration required, 703-339-4610.

Music and Movin' with Miss Susan. 1 p.m. or 2 p.m. at Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre. Children up to age 5 can enjoy sings, music and more. Free. Registration required, 703-339-4610.

Concert. 7:30 p.m. at the Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Justin Trawick opens for Edwin McCain. \$35. Visit www.birchmere.com or call 703-549-7500.

India Independence Day

Celebration. 1-5 p.m. at Ten Thousand Villages, 915 King St. The store is offering henna tattoos and Indian food and drink. Handwork by artisans in India will be on display. Call 703-684-1435 or visit

www.alexandria.tenthousandvillages.com.

Sunday/Aug. 18

Pride and Prejudice Celebration 1-

3 p.m. Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Jane Austen's "Pride and Prejudice" turns 200. Celebrate and discuss the novel. Reservations are \$29. Call 703-642-5173 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/ parks/greenspring.

Chamber Music. 3 p.m. at The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. Washington's Camerata, Baroque music for traverso flute and baroque guitar. Presented by Washington Metropolitan Philharmonic Association. Free. Call 703-799-8229 or visit www.wmpamusic.org.

Concert. 5-8 p.m. at JV's Restaurant, 6666 Arlington Blvd. Alexandria's Fuse Box will be performing. Tickets are on sale now. Visit www.jvrestaurant.com.

Monday/Aug. 19

Early Words. 10:30 a.m. at Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre. Children ages 12-23 months can enjoy songs and stories. Registration required, 703-339-4610.

Baby Lap Sits. 1:15 p.m. at John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive. Literacy programs for parents and babies. Ages birth through 12 months. Registration required. Call 703-971-0010.

Make it and Take it for Teens. 4 p.m. at Martha Washington Library, 6614 Fort Hunt Road. Children ages 8-12 can "dig" into reading with craft projects. Free. 703-768-6700.

Monday-Friday/Aug. 19-23 The Big Meow Half Day Camp. 9

a.m.-noon at the Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. A camp inspired by Elizabeth Spires' book "The Big Meow" teaches about movement, creativity, problem solving and story telling. For ages 5-7. \$150 for the week. Call 703-933-1111 or visit www.janefranklin.com.





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SPORTS

WP Football Players Impress at 'Top Gun'

est Potomac football players
Marquis Saldana (WR), Kris
Sheckles (DL), Darien
Pickett (LB), Josh Ransom
(DL) and Max Nail (LB) recently showed
off their skills at the "invitation only" Football University "Top Gun" camp held in
Dublin, Ohio. These players were invited
to Top Gun based on their outstanding performance at the regional Football University camp held in Springfield on May 24.

They joined more than 750 of the nation's other top athletes at their positions and trained with current and former NFL players and coaches.

Top Gun is the culmination of Football University's 40-camp nationwide tour gathering the most elite performers from across the U.S. and allowing them to compete and display their abilities together on one stage. Football University has an alumni list that includes some of the top college football recruits and players in the nation. To learn more information about how to get to events such as Top Gun, visit www.footballuniversity.org.



West Potomac football players pictured from left: Marquis Saldana (WR), Kris Sheckles (DL), Josh Ransom (DL), Darien Pickett (LB) and Max Nail (LB).

SPORTS BRIEFS

NVSO Registrations Due in August

Registrations for the 2013 Northern Virginia Senior Olympics to be held Sept. 7-19 are due Aug. 23 by mail or Aug. 30 online. There is no onsite registration.

More than 50 events will take place at 17 different venues throughout Northern Virginia. Registration fee is \$12, which covers multiple events. Participants must be 50 years of age by Dec. 31, 2013 and live in a sponsoring jurisdiction.

Among the events offered are track, field, swimming, diving, tennis, table tennis, bowling, Wii bowling, eight ball pool, handball, racquetball, golf, miniature golf, badminton, pickleball, cribbage, scrabble, duplicate bridge, Mexican train dominoes, line dancing, yo-yo tricks and more. Information is available online at www.nvso.us or by calling 703-228-4721 or email, nvso1982@gmail.com.

Sponsoring jurisdictions are the cities of Alexandria, Fairfax and Falls Church and the counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Fauquier, Loudoun and Prince William.

SCHOOL NOTES

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

Bridget Thompson has been selected to receive a \$1,500 college scholarship from the Military Children Program. Thompson took part in various school and community activities including environmental club, cross country, swimming, and band. She plans to attend The College of William and Mary.

Madelyn Zeigler has been selected to receive a \$1,500 college scholarship from the Military Children Program. Zeigler took part in many school and community activities such as lacrosse, swimming, American Red Cross, and the National Honor Society. She plans to attend UNC at Chapel Hill.





Mount Vernon High School will be hosting

a Transition to High School Jump-Start Program for rising 9th grade students. This program is designed to help introduce freshmen to a new school environment and procedures. The program will be held Aug. 19-23, 8 a.m.-noon. Limited transportation will be provided to participants from feeder elementary schools. Contact Alicia Clarke at focus21mv@gmail.com or 703-619-3100.

The following students have been admitted to Hampden-Sydney College: Logan Durwood Leathers III who will enter with a president's award; Kurt David Anderson who will enter as a Patrick Henry Scholar; and Scott Michael Bellamy, Nicholas David Fletcher, Javier Ernesto Landaverde, Steven Dino Ponce, and Henrik Lars Anderson Jr. who will all enter with alumni awards.

The P.E.O. STAR Scholarship, for the 2013-2014 academic year, was presented to **Sonia Francone**, who has been accepted and will attend Sewanee: The University of the South, in the fall. The P.E.O. STAR Scholarship is a \$2,500 scholarship based on excellence in leadership, extracurricular activities, community service, academics and potential for future success.

The following students were named to the Virginia Tech spring 2013 dean's list: **Christopher M. Orem, Colin B. Stamper, Rachel A.**

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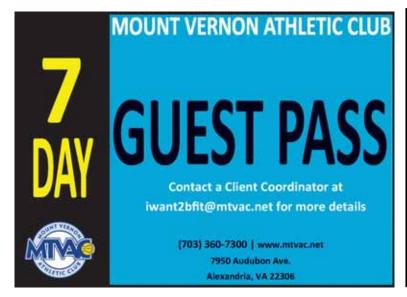
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